

Recitation #7

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recall: how to find an eigenvalue

Exercise 0

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ have an eigenvalues λ . How would you find its eigenvector $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ that is $Av = \lambda v$

recall: spectral theorem

Spectral theorem

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric matrix, Then there is a orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n composed of eigenvectors of A .

Let's get things clear

- If A is symmetric then $A^T = A$ and it diagonalizes
 $A = PDP^{-1}$
- P is an orthonormal matrix therefore $P^T = P^{-1}$

Exercise 1

Prove that if $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a symmetric matrix then $\text{Tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ where $\lambda_i, i = 1..n$ are the eigenvalues of A .

Exercise 2

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric matrix. Show that A is invertible if and only if $\lambda_i \neq 0$ for all eigenvalues of A .

Exercise 3

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ be a symmetric matrix and let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}$ be its eigenvalues. Show that

A is positive semi-definite if and only if $\lambda_i \geq 0$ for all $i = 1..n$

Exercise 3

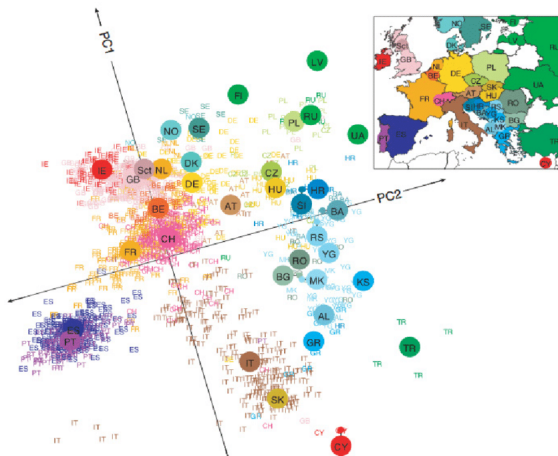
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recall: Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

PCA

Problem: we have data $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}^d$ with d very large. We wish to represent the dataset in a lower dimension.



Method

To perform PCA on a dataset we have to:

- ➊ Calculate the sample covariance matrix S
- ➋ Find the eigenvector v_1 of S with largest eigenvalue. v_1 is the first singular vector
- ➌ Continue finding as many eigenvectors v_k of S as necessary by decreasing order with respect to the respective eigenvalues λ_k .
- ➍ The dimensionally reduced data set will be composed by the projection of the data into the v_1, \dots, v_k eigenbasis.

Exercise 4

Suppose there are two eigenvectors of the covariance matrix that correspond to large eigenvalues and the rest of eigenvalues are small. How do we interpret this geometrically?

recall: Singular Value decomposition

SVD

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$. Then there exists two orthogonal matrices $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $V \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and a matrix $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ such that

$$A = U\Sigma V^T$$

with $\Sigma_{11}, \Sigma_{22}, \dots, \Sigma_{11} \geq 0$ and $\Sigma_{ij} \neq 0$

Exercise 5

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ give a method to compute numerically $\text{rank}(A)$ using SVD.

Exercise 6

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ explain why the set $\{Ax \mid \|x\| = 1\}$ is an ellipsoid.

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