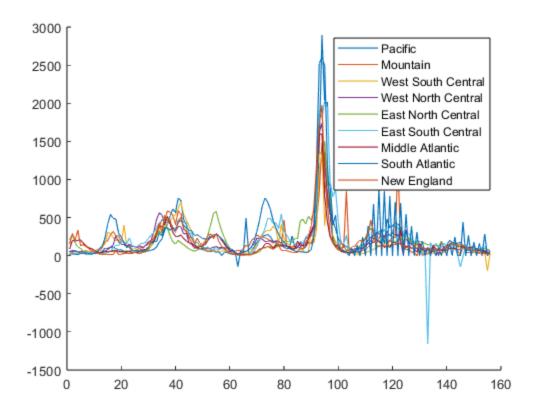
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load COVIDbyCounty.mat;
regions = ["Pacific", "Mountain", "West South Central", "West North
 Central", ...
           "East North Central", "East South Central", "Middle Atlantic", ...
           "South Atlantic", "New England"];
max_indicies = zeros(1,9);
figure()
hold on;
for region_idx = 1:length(regions)
    current_region = regions(region_idx);
    idx region = (CNTY CENSUS.DIVNAME == current region);
    numRows = size(CNTY_CENSUS, 1);
    rowNumber = (1:numRows);
    CNTY CENSUS.RowNumber = rowNumber';
   region_cntys = CNTY_CENSUS(idx_region, :);
   region_cntys_sorted =
 sortrows(region_cntys, "POPESTIMATE2021", 'descend');
   max = region_cntys_sorted(1, :);
    idx = max.RowNumber;
    max_indicies(region_idx) = idx;
    plot(CNTY_COVID(idx, :));
end
legend("Pacific", "Mountain", "West South Central", "West North Central", ...
           "East North Central", "East South Central", "Middle Atlantic", ...
           "South Atlantic", "New England")
hold off;
%finding angles between vectors
linear_idp_flag = true;
for i = 1:length(max_indicies)
    current_vector = CNTY_COVID(max_indicies(i), :);
    for j = 1:length(max_indicies)
        if i ~= j
            comparison_vector = CNTY_COVID(max_indicies(j), :);
            dot_product = dot(current_vector, comparison_vector);
            norm_current = norm(current_vector);
            norm_comparison = norm(comparison_vector);
            angle = dot_product / (norm_current * norm_comparison);
            if angle == 0
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disp("No angle in between vectors");
                linear idp flag = false;
            end
        end
    end
end
if linear idp flag
    disp("The vectors are linearly independent");
else
    disp("the angles are not linearly independent");
end
d = zeros(9, 156);
for k = 1:9
    curr_max = CNTY_COVID(max_indicies(k), :);
    d(k,:) = curr_max / norm(curr_max);
end
stl_idx = (CNTY_CENSUS.CTYNAME == "St. Louis city");
stl_vector = CNTY_COVID(stl_idx, :);
r = zeros(9, 156);
r_norms = zeros(1, 9);
for m = 1:9
    dot_stl = dot(stl_vector, d(m, :));
    r_i = stl_vector - dot_stl * d(m,:);
    r(m,:) = r_i;
    r_norms(m) = norm(r_i);
end
% r_i gives you information about the difference in case numbers for each
% day between the most populus counties in each region and st. Louis City for
% each day, the norm gives you the total. They might indicate similarity
% between the case rate in St Louis city and the given counties.
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The vectors are linearly independent



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