

# PRINCIPLE COMPONENT ANALYSIS AND SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION

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# AGENDA

- Linear Algebra Preliminaries
- Spectral theorem for Symmetric matrices
- Principle Component Analysis (PCA)
- Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)



# LINEAR ALGEBRA PRELIMINARIES

# VECTOR SPACE

## Vector space $(V, F, +, \cdot)$

- $V$ : A set of objects (called vectors)
- $F$ : Field (e.g.,  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ )
- Addition of vectors  $+: V \times V \rightarrow V$  (i.e., addition is closed in  $V$ )
  - Commutativity:  $x + y = y + x$
  - Associativity:  $(x + y) + z = x + (y + z)$
  - $\exists \mathbf{0} \in V$  such that  $\mathbf{0} + x = x + \mathbf{0} = x, \forall x \in V$ 
    - ✓ Proposition:  $\mathbf{0}$  is unique, called the **zero vector**. (Exercise)
  - $\forall x \in V, \exists (-x) \in V$  such that  $x + (-x) = \mathbf{0}$ 
    - ✓ Proposition:  $\forall x \in V, (-x)$  is unique, called the **additive inverse** of  $x$ . (Exercise)
- Scalar multiplication:  $\cdot: F \times V \rightarrow V$  (i.e., scalar multiplication is closed in  $V$ )
  - Compatibility:  $a(bx) = (ab)x, \forall x \in V, a, b \in F$
  - Distributivity:  $a(x + y) = ax + ay, (a + b)x = ax + bx, \forall x, y \in V, a, b \in F$
  - $1x = x$
- Example: Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

# INNER PRODUCT SPACE

- An **inner product space** is a vector space  $V$  over the field  $F$  ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) together with an inner product

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle: V \times V \rightarrow F$$

That satisfies the following three axioms for all vectors  $x, y, z \in V$  and all scalars  $a \in F$ :

➤ Conjugate symmetry:  $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$

➤ Linearity in the first argument

$$\begin{aligned}\langle ax, y \rangle &= a\langle x, y \rangle \\ \langle x + y, z \rangle &= \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle\end{aligned}$$

➤ Positive definiteness

$$\begin{aligned}\langle x, x \rangle &\geq 0 \\ \langle x, x \rangle &= 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0\end{aligned}$$

# EUCLIDEAN SPACE

- Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} : x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$
- $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a vector space over field  $\mathbb{R}$  by defining elementwise addition and scalar multiplication: (Exercise: Prove that vector space axioms hold)

➤ Addition:  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + y_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n + y_n \end{bmatrix}$

➤ Scalar multiplication:  $\alpha \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha x_n \end{bmatrix}, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$

- $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an inner product space by defining inner (dot) product:

➤ Inner (dot) product:  $\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle_{\mathbb{R}^n} = x_1 y_1 + \dots + x_n y_n \in \mathbb{R}$

# COMPLEX EUCLIDEAN SPACE

- Complex Euclidean space  $\mathbb{C}^n = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} : x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{C} \right\}$
- $\mathbb{C}^n$  is a vector space over field  $\mathbb{C}$  by defining elementwise addition and scalar multiplication: (Exercise: Prove that vector space axioms hold)

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# LINEAR MAPPING

- Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the same field  $F$ . A function  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is said to be a **linear mapping** if it preserves the addition and scalar multiplication operations. Namely,

$$T(ax + by) = aT(x) + bT(y), \forall x, y \in M, a, b \in F$$

- Example: Let  $F$  be a field ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ). Each matrix  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  can be considered as a linear mapping  $T: F^n \rightarrow F^m$  defined as

$$T(x) = Ax$$

- Proposition: Let  $F$  be a field ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ). Each linear mapping  $T: F^n \rightarrow F^m$  can be represented by a matrix  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  such that

$$T(x) = Ax, \forall x \in F^n$$



# EIGEN-VECTOR AND EIGEN-VALUE

- Let  $V$  be vector space over the same field  $F$ ,  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear mapping. We call  $v \in V$  an **eigenvector** of  $T$  if  $v \neq 0$  and

$$T(v) = \lambda v$$

where  $\lambda \in F$ . We call  $\lambda$  the **eigenvalue** associated with  $v$ .

- Let  $F$  be a field ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ). A matrix  $A \in F^{n \times n}$  can be viewed as a linear mapping  $T: F^n \rightarrow F^n$ ,  $T(x) = Ax$ . Hence we call  $\lambda$  the eigenvalue (of  $A$ ) associated with eigenvector (of  $A$ )  $v \in F^n$  if  $v \neq 0$  and

$$Av = \lambda v$$

- Exercise: Eigenvector and eigenvalue of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



# SPECTRAL THEOREM FOR SYMMETRIC MATRICES

In this lecture, we want to prove that

# SYMMETRIC MATRIX IS DIAGONALIZABLE

- **Theorem 5:** If  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is *symmetric*, then there exists diagonal matrix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and *orthogonal* matrix  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A = U\Lambda U^T$

$$U = [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n]$$

eigenvectors

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigen Values

$$A\mathbf{v}_k = \lambda_k \mathbf{v}_k$$

Symmetric:

$A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric if  $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$

Orthogonal matrix:

$U = [\mathbf{v}_1 \dots \mathbf{v}_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is an orthogonal matrix if  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  are orthogonal and have unit length

$$\mathbf{v}_k^T \mathbf{v}_\ell = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq \ell \end{cases}$$

That is,  $U^T U = I$ , namely,  $U^{-1} = U^T$ .

We would also want to prove that

# HERMITIAN MATRIX IS DIAGONALIZABLE

- **Theorem 4:** If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is *Hermitian*, then there exists diagonal matrix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and *unitary* matrix  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A = U\Lambda U^H$

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## Conjugate transpose:

The conjugate transpose of  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  is denoted as  $A^H = \overline{A}^T \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$

## Hermitian:

$A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is Hermitian if  $a_{ij} = \overline{a_{ji}}$

## Unitary Matrix:

$U = [\mathbf{v}_1 \dots \mathbf{v}_n] \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is an unitary matrix if  $\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n$  are orthogonal and have unit length

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# INVARIANT SUBSPACE

- $M$  is called a **subspace** of vector space  $(V, F)$ , if it is closed under vector addition and multiplication. Namely,

$$ax + by \in M, \forall x, y \in M, a, b \in F$$

- Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be a linear mapping.  $M$  is called an **invariant subspace** of  $T$  if  $T(x) \in M, \forall x \in M$ .
- Let  $F$  be a field ( $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ). A matrix  $A \in F^{m \times n}$  can be viewed as a linear mapping  $T: F^n \rightarrow F^m, T(x) = Ax$ . We call  $M$  an invariant subspace of  $A$  if  $Ax \in M, \forall x \in M$ .

# ADJOINT OPERATOR

- Let  $H_1, H_2$  be inner product spaces,  $T: H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  be a linear mapping. If a linear mapping  $T^*: H_2 \rightarrow H_1$  satisfies

$$\langle T\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_{H_2} = \langle \mathbf{x}, T^*\mathbf{y} \rangle_{H_1}, \forall \mathbf{x} \in H_1, \mathbf{y} \in H_2$$

Then we call  $T^*$  *the adjoint of  $T$* .

- Proposition:**  $T^*$  is unique (if it does exist) (Exercise)
- Proposition:**  $(T^*)^* = T$

Proof:  $\langle T^*\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle_{H_1} = \overline{\langle \mathbf{x}, T^*\mathbf{y} \rangle_{H_1}} = \overline{\langle T\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_{H_2}} = \langle \mathbf{y}, T\mathbf{x} \rangle_{H_2}, \forall \mathbf{x} \in H_1, \mathbf{y} \in H_2$

- Example:** Suppose linear mapping  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$  is represented by  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ . Since

$$\langle T\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle A\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \mathbf{y}^H (A\mathbf{x}) = (A^H \mathbf{y})^H \mathbf{x} = \langle \mathbf{x}, A^H \mathbf{y} \rangle,$$

therefore  $T$  has adjoint  $T^*: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ , which is represented by  $A^H \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ .

# SELF ADJOINT

- Let  $H$  be inner product space,  $T: H \rightarrow H$  be a linear mapping. We call  $T$  **self-adjoint** if  $T^*$  exists and

$$T = T^*$$

- Example: If linear mapping  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  is self-adjoint and represented by  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , then  $A = A^H$ , i.e.,  $A$  is Hermitian.
- **Proposition:** If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of self-adjoint mapping  $T$ , then  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Proof: Let  $x$  be an eigenvector associated with  $\lambda$ , then

$$\lambda \langle x, x \rangle = \langle Tx, x \rangle = \langle x, T^*x \rangle = \langle x, Tx \rangle = \bar{\lambda} \langle x, x \rangle$$

Therefore  $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$ .

# NORMAL OPERATOR

- Let  $H$  be inner product space,  $T: H \rightarrow H$  be a linear mapping. We call  $T$  **normal** if  $T^*$  exists and  $TT^* = T^*T$ .
- Example: Suppose linear mapping  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$  is represented by  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ , then  $T$  is normal iff  $AA^H = A^H A$ .
- **Proposition:** If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is normal, then
$$\|Ax - \lambda x\|^2 = \|A^H x - \bar{\lambda} x\|^2, \forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n, \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

Proof:

$$\|Ax - \lambda x\|^2 = x^H (A^H A - \lambda A^H - \bar{\lambda} A + |\lambda|^2 I) x = x^H (A A^H - \bar{\lambda} A - \lambda A^H + |\lambda|^2 I) x = \|A^H x - \bar{\lambda} x\|^2$$

- **Proposition:** Let  $A = U \Lambda U^H$  for which  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is diagonal and  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is unitary, then  $A$  is normal

Proof:  $AA^H = U \Lambda \Lambda^H U^H = U \Lambda^H \Lambda U^H = A^H A$



# NORMAL MATRIX IS DIAGONALIZABLE

- **Lemma 1:** If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are eigenvectors of a linear mapping  $T$  on inner product space  $H$ , then  $M_k = \{x \in H | \langle x, v_i \rangle = 0, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, k\}$  is an invariant subspace of  $T^*$ .

Proof: For  $x \in M_k$ , holds

$$\langle T^*x, v_i \rangle = \langle x, Tv_i \rangle = \bar{\lambda}_i \langle x, v_i \rangle = 0, \forall x \in M_k, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

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- **Lemma 2:** If  $M$  is a non-trivial invariant subspace of linear mapping  $T: \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ , then there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \in M$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$  such that  $T\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$

Proof: Take  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  which represents  $T$ . Take  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  whose columns  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$  form an orthonormal basis of  $M$ . Define  $\psi: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow M$  as

$$\psi \left( \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_m \end{bmatrix} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \mathbf{u}_i$$

Then  $\psi$  is a one-to-one onto linear mapping. Consider linear mapping  $\psi^{-1} \circ T \circ \psi: \mathbb{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^m$  which can be represented by  $U^H A U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ , it is evident that there exists some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{C}^m$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \neq \mathbf{0}$  such that  $U^H A U \mathbf{c} = \lambda \mathbf{c}$ . (Hint: Take  $\lambda$  satisfying  $\det(U^H A U - \lambda I) = 0$  and nonzero vector  $\mathbf{c} \in \text{Null}(U^H A U - \lambda I)$ ). Note that

$$\psi^{-1} \circ T \circ \psi(\mathbf{c}) = U^H A U \mathbf{c} = \lambda \mathbf{c} \Rightarrow T(\psi(\mathbf{c})) = \psi(\lambda \mathbf{c}) = \lambda \psi(\mathbf{c})$$

Therefore  $\mathbf{v} = \psi(\mathbf{c}) \in M$  is a nonzero vector satisfying  $T\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$ . Q.E.D.

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- **Theorem 3:** If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is normal, then there exists diagonal matrix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and unitary matrix  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A = U\Lambda U^H$ .

Proof: We will construct pairwise-orthogonal eigenvectors  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  with associating eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$  of  $A$  as follows:

For  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , suppose  $v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}$  are pairwise-orthogonal eigenvectors of  $A$ . By Lemma 1,

$$M_{k-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid \langle x, v_i \rangle = 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, k-1\}$$

is a non-trivial invariant subspace of  $A$ . Therefore, by Lemma 2, there exists  $\lambda_k \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $v_k \in M_{k-1}$ ,  $v_k \neq 0$  such that  $A^H v_k = \overline{\lambda_k} v_k$ , which implies  $A v_k = \lambda_k v_k$ . In other words,  $v_k$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with associating eigenvalue  $\lambda_k$  which is orthogonal to  $v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}$ . Hence  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  are pairwise-orthogonal eigenvectors of  $A$ .

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$$AU\mathbf{c} = A \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i A\mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i = U\Lambda\mathbf{c}$$

Where  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(c_1, \dots, c_n)$ . Therefore  $AU = U\Lambda$  which implies  $A = U\Lambda U^{-1} = U\Lambda U^H$ .

**Q.E.D.**

*That is, a normal matrix  $A$  can always be written as  $A = U\Lambda U^H$ , where  $U$  is an unitary matrix of eigenvectors, and  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix of the associated eigenvalues.*

# HERMITIAN MATRIX IS DIAGONALIZABLE

Since every Hermitian matrix is normal (so is diagonalizable) and self-adjoint (so eigenvalues are real), one immediately obtains Theorem 4, as restated below:

- **Theorem 4:** If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  is *Hermitian*, then there exists diagonal matrix  $\Lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and *unitary* matrix  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  such that  $A = U\Lambda U^H$ .

# REAL SYMMETRIC MATRIX IS DIAGONALIZABLE WITH REAL EIGENVECTORS

- **Lemma 3:** If  $M$  is a non-trivial invariant subspace of self-adjoint operator  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , then there exists  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \in M$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \neq \mathbf{0}$  such that  $T\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v}$

Proof: Take symmetric matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  which represents  $T$ . Take  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  whose columns  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$  form an orthonormal basis of  $M$ . Define  $\psi: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow M$  as

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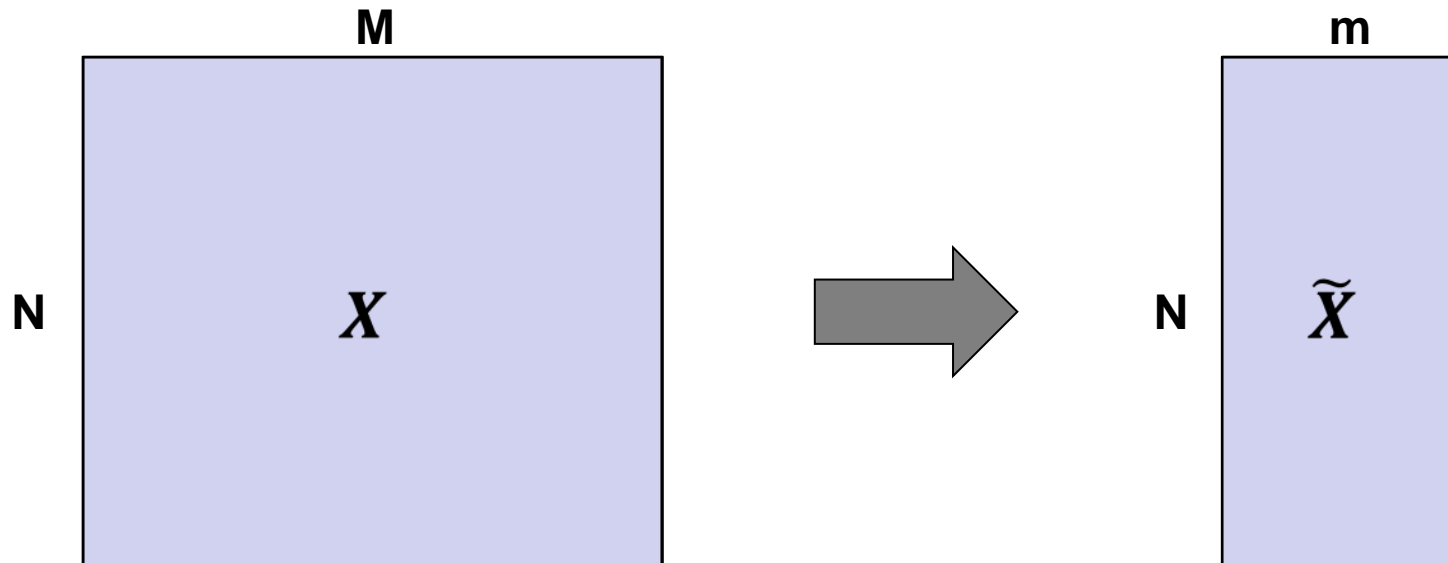


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# PRINCIPLE COMPONENT ANALYSIS (PCA)

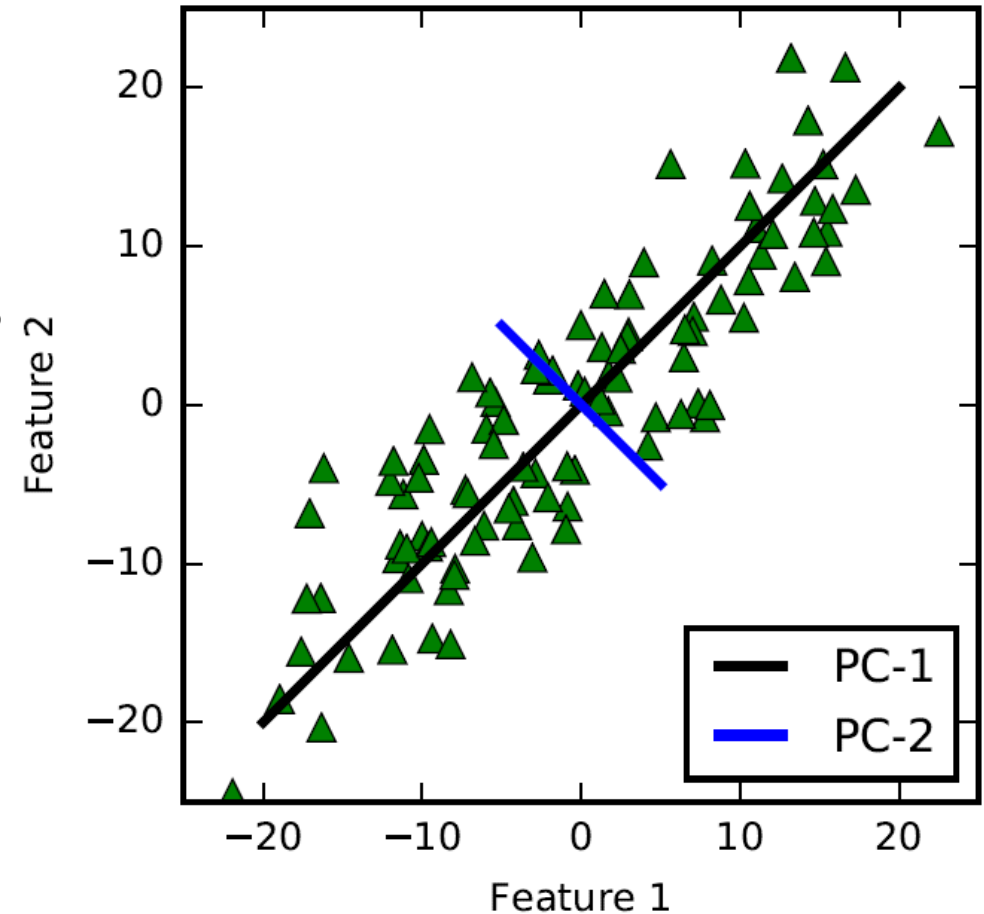
# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

- Mapping the original high-dimensional data onto a lower-dimensional subspace.
- Pros for dimensionality reduction
  - Clarity of representation, ease of understanding (e.g., visualization in 2D or 3D)
  - Data compression, computational cost reduction.
  - Noise reduction, prevention of overfitting
- Cons for dimensionality reduction
  - oversimplification: loss of important or relevant information



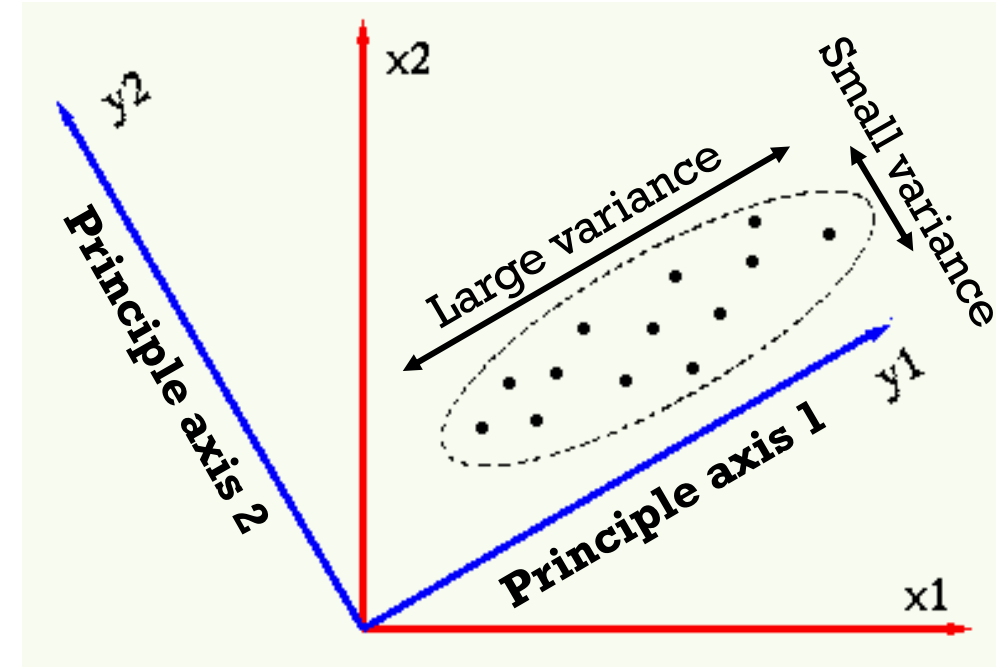
# PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS (PCA)

- PCA's target: finding the best lower dimensional sub-space that conveys most of the variance in the original data
- Example: If we were to compress 2-D data to 1-D subspace, then PCA prefers projecting to the **black** line, since it preserves more variance comparing to **blue** line.



# PRINCIPLE AXES

- Objective of PCA: Given data in  $\mathbb{R}^M$ , want to rigidly rotate the axes to new positions (principle axes) with the following properties:
  - *Ordered such that principle axis 1 has the highest variance, axis 2 has the next highest variance, ..., and axis M has the lowest variance.*
  - *Covariance among each pair of the principal axes is zero.*
- The k'th **principle component** is the projection to the k'th principle axis.
- Keep the first  $m < M$  principle components for dimensionality reduction.



# PRINCIPLE COMPONENT COMPUTATION

- Given  $N$  data  $x_1, \dots, x_N \in \mathbb{R}^M$ , PCA first compute the covariance matrix for the data

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)(x_i - \mu)^T = U \Lambda U^T$$

where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^M$  is the data mean.

- Since  $\Sigma$  is symmetric,  $\Sigma$  can be written as  $\Sigma = U \Lambda U^T$ , where  $U = [v_1 \dots v_n]$  is unitary matrix of eigenvectors (of  $\Sigma$ ),  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_M)$  is diagonal matrix of the associated eigenvalues arranged in non-ascending order  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_M \geq 0$ . (Note that all eigenvalues are non-negative real scalars since  $\Sigma$  is **semi-positive definite**.)
- For data  $x \in \mathbb{R}^M$ , compute its 1<sup>st</sup> principle component as  $v_1^T x$ , 2<sup>nd</sup> principle component as  $v_2^T x, \dots$ , M'th principle component as  $v_M^T x$

## Positive definite:

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is semi-positive definite if  $x^T A x \geq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . If the equality holds only when  $x = 0$ , then  $A$  is positive definite.

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# PRINCIPLE COMPONENTS ARE UNCORRELATED

- The covariance of the  $k$ 'th and  $\ell$ 'th principle components of data  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [v_k^T(x_i - \mu)][v_\ell^T(x_i - \mu)] &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N v_k^T(x_i - \mu)(x_i - \mu)^T v_\ell \\ &= v_k^T \Sigma v_\ell = v_k^T U \Lambda U^T v_\ell = e_k^T \Lambda e_\ell = \begin{cases} \lambda_k & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 0 & \text{if } k \neq \ell \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

- The variance of the  $k$ 'th principle components is  $\lambda_k$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  *principle axis 1 has the highest variance, axis 2 has the next highest variance, ..., and axis  $M$  has the lowest variance.*
- The covariance of different principle components is zero.
- $\Rightarrow$  *Covariance among each pair of the principal axes is zero.*

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# SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION (SVD)

# THEOREM OF SVD

- **Theorem:** Suppose  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , then there exists a factorization, called **singular value decomposition** of  $A$ , of the form

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

where  $U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are orthogonal matrices,  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is a diagonal matrix with non-negative numbers on the diagonal.

Proof: Since  $A^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric and semi-positive definite, it can be factorized in the form

$$A^T A = V\Lambda V^T$$

where  $V = [v_1, \dots, v_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is orthogonal matrix,  $\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues arranged in non-ascending order

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq 0$$



# THEOREM OF SVD

Proof (cont'd): Let  $p = \max\{i: \lambda_i > 0\}$  be the rank of  $A$ . Define  $\mathbf{u}_i = \frac{A\mathbf{v}_i}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$ . Then

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{u}_j \rangle = \left\langle \frac{A\mathbf{v}_i}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}}, \frac{A\mathbf{v}_j}{\sqrt{\lambda_j}} \right\rangle = \frac{\langle \mathbf{v}_i, A^T A \mathbf{v}_j \rangle}{\sqrt{\lambda_i} \sqrt{\lambda_j}} = \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_j}}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} \langle \mathbf{v}_i, \mathbf{v}_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

That is,  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p$  are pairwise orthogonal unit vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . By Gram-Schmidt process we can construct  $\mathbf{u}_{p+1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m \in \mathbb{R}^m$  (if  $p < m$ ) such that  $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m$  are pairwise orthogonal unit vectors. This gives orthogonal matrix  $U = [\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ .

We have the following claim:

**Claim:**  $\mathbf{u}_i^T A \mathbf{v}_j = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \delta_{ij}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$

Proof: If  $j \leq p$ , then  $A \mathbf{v}_j = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \mathbf{u}_j$ , therefore  $\mathbf{u}_i^T A \mathbf{v}_j = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_j = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \delta_{ij}$ .

If  $j > p$ , since  $\mathbf{v}_j$  is an eigenvector of  $A^T A$  with associating eigenvalue  $\lambda_j = 0$ , therefore

$$(A \mathbf{v}_j)^T (A \mathbf{v}_j) = \mathbf{v}_j^T A^T A \mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{v}_j^T \lambda_j \mathbf{v}_j = 0$$

Hence  $A \mathbf{v}_j = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_i^T A \mathbf{v}_j = 0 = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \delta_{ij}$ . **Q.E.D.**

Therefore  $\Sigma = U^T A V = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_p}, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is a diagonal matrix.

Therefore  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ . **Q.E.D.**