Advanced Transform Methods

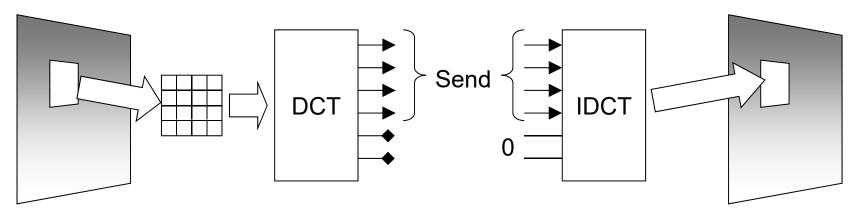
Karhunen-Loeve Transform

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Karhunen Loeve Transform

Met Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT) in a previous lecture. An advantage of DCT:

- most energy concentrated in a few coefficients, so
- can discard some coeffs, while keep most of signal
 image compression:



Fourier, Wavelets also do this, depending on the signal.

But - what is the "best" transform for this?

Principal Components Analysis (PCA)

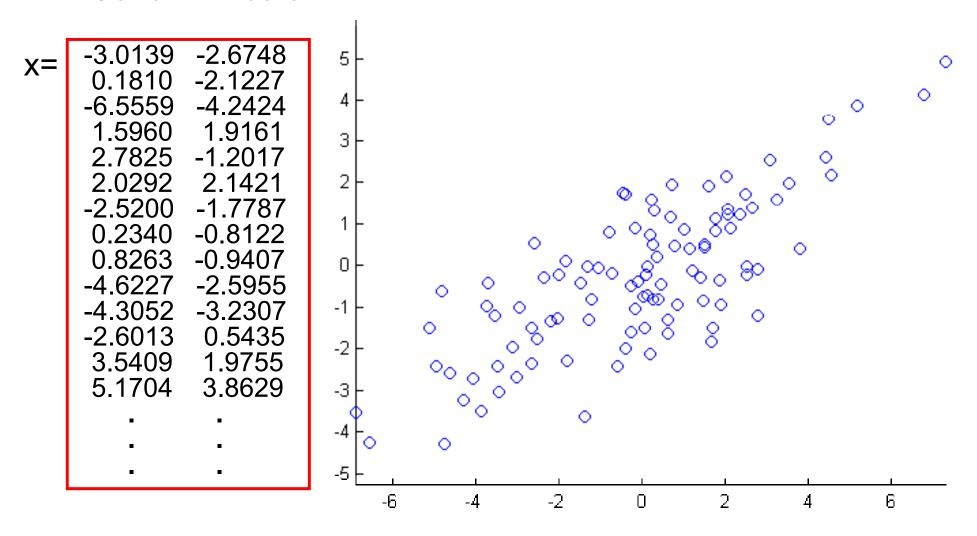
- Multivariate procedure
- Main use of PCA is to reduce dimensionality of a data set while retaining as much information as is possible.
- Finds a projection of the observations onto orthogonal axes contained in the space defined by the original variables.
- Correlated variables transformed into uncorrelated variables
 - Ordered by reducing variability.
 - ☐ Uncorrelated variables are linear combinations of original variables
- Computes compact, optimal description of data set.
- Rotates data so that maximum variabilities projected onto the axes
- Rotation of existing axes to new positions in the space defined by the original variables.

The new components/ axes/ variables

- 1. First principal component is the combination of variables that explains the greatest amount of variation
 - Contains the maximum amount of variation
- 2. Second principal component defines the next largest amount of variation and is independent to the first principal component
 - Contains the maximum amount of variation unexplained by and orthogonal to the first
- 3. Third axis contains the maximum amount of variation orthogonal to the first and second axis
 - Contains the maximum amount of variation unexplained by and orthogonal to the first and second axes
- ... Last new axis which is the last amount of variation left
 - Can be removed with minimum loss of real data
- Can be as many principal components as there are variables
- No correlation between the new variables defined by rotation

Example

Set of 2-D data



Covariance Matrix

Find covariance matrix

$$cov[\mathbf{X}] = \begin{bmatrix} 7.5649 & 3.8464 \\ 3.8464 & 3.2451 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find principal components

$$\mathbf{pc} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8630 & -0.5052 \\ 0.5052 & 0.8630 \end{bmatrix}$$

Are they orthogonal?

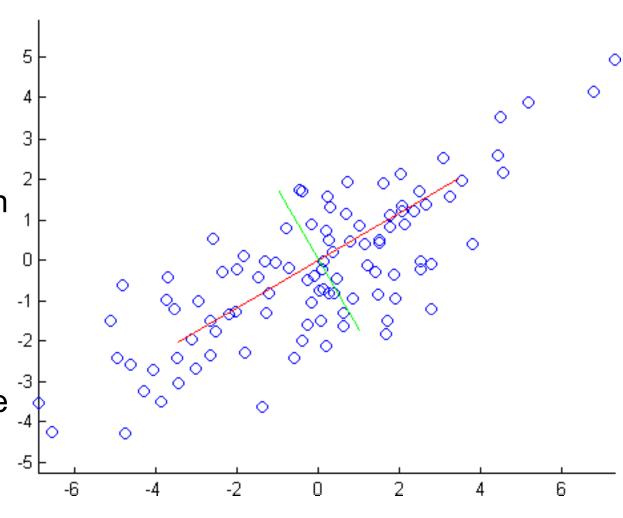
$$\langle \psi_1, \psi_2 \rangle = \langle (0.8630, 0.5052), (-0.5052, 0.8630) \rangle$$

=0.8630 \cdot (-0.5052) + 0.5052 \cdot 0.8630 = 0 Yes

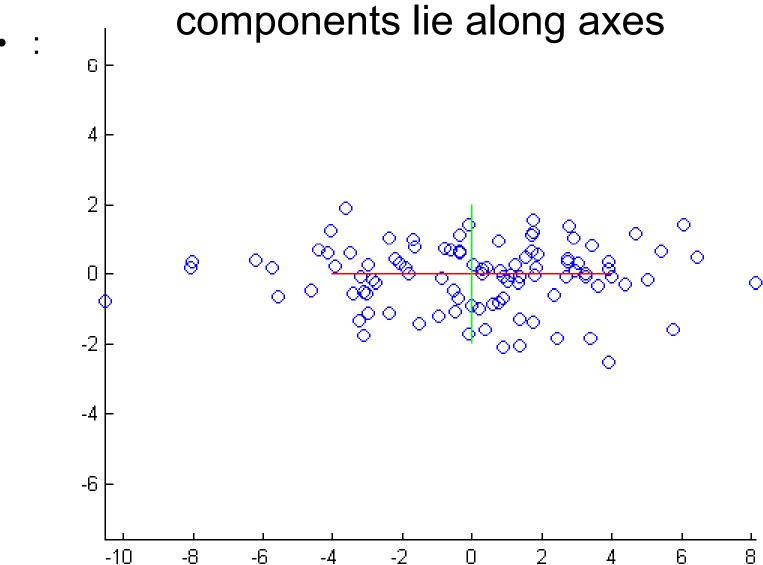
• Are they normalised? $\langle \psi_1, \psi_1 \rangle = 0.8630 \cdot 0.8630 + 0.5052 \cdot 0.5052 = 1$ $\langle \psi_2, \psi_2 \rangle = (-0.5052) \cdot (-0.5052) + 0.8630 \cdot 0.8630 = 1 \text{ Yes}$

Principal components visualised

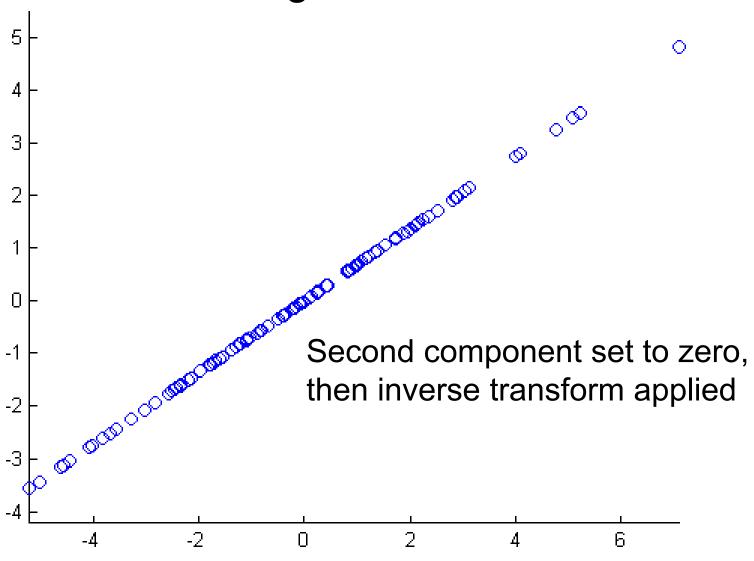
- red line represents direction of first principal component
 - line of greatest variation
- green line is direction of second principal component
 - perpendicular to red line.
- When there are more than 2 dimensions,
 - next component along line of next greatest variation



By multiplying original data by principal components, data rotated so that principal components lie along axes



PCA is used to reduce data dimensionality while retaining the most information



Now let's give the theory

 The Karhunen Loève Transform is based on PCA

Also known as the Hotelling Transform

Karhunen Loève Transform (KLT)

- Basis functions are eigenvectors of the covariance matrix R_{XX} of the input signal.
 - This set of basis vectors is not fixed
 - Basis vectors depend on the data set
- KLT yields decorrelated transform coefficients (covariance matrix R_{yy} is diagonal).
- Optimal linear transform for keeping the subspace that has largest variance
 - Achieves optimum energy concentration.
- KLT maximizes coding gain

Procedure

1. Find mean vector for input data $\mathbf{X} = [\vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_1, ... \vec{x}_{N-1}]$

$$E(\vec{x}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \vec{x}_i$$

2. Find covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_{XX} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (\vec{x}_i - E(\vec{x})) (\vec{x}_i - E(\vec{x}))^T$$

3. Find eigenvalues of the covariance matrix

$$\left| \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} - \lambda \mathbf{I} \right| = 0$$
 $\left| \mathbf{A} \right|$ means "Determinant of A"

4. Find eigenvectors of the covariance matrix

$$\left[\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}} - \lambda_i \mathbf{I}\right] \vec{\phi}_i = 0$$

Procedure

5. Normalise the eigenvectors

$$\langle \vec{\phi}_i, \vec{\phi}_i \rangle = 1$$

6. Transform the input

$$\mathbf{Y} = \boldsymbol{\phi}^T \mathbf{X}$$

7. To check, find covariance matrix of Y

$$\mathbf{R}_{YY} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (\vec{y}_i - E[\vec{y}]) (\vec{y}_i - E[\vec{y}])^T$$

- 8. Optional,
 - 1. set last row vector(s) of \mathbf{Y} to 0

$$Y \rightarrow Y'$$

2. Inverse transform this

$$X' = \phi Y'$$

Linear transform coding

Divide image (or signal) into P blocks of N pixels (samples). The kth block is now an N - dimensional vector :

$$\mathbf{x}_k = (x_{1,k}, x_{2,k}, ..., x_{N,k})^T$$

The image (signal) is now a sequence of vectors $\{x_k\}$.

We now transform each x by multiplying by a linear matrix

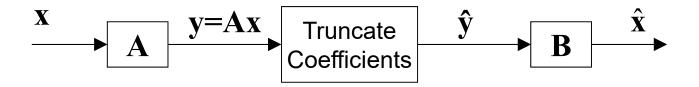
$$y = Ax$$

transmit the first M coefficients $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = (y_1, \dots, y_M)^T$, discarding the remaining N-M coeffs $y_{M+1} \cdots y_N$

We then reconstruct the image block using another matrix

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{B}\hat{\mathbf{y}}$$

Linear transform coding (cont)



We measure the error introduced in $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ as

$$J = E(|\mathbf{x} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}|^2)$$
 mean squared error (MSE)

where E(v) is the expected value (mean) of v.

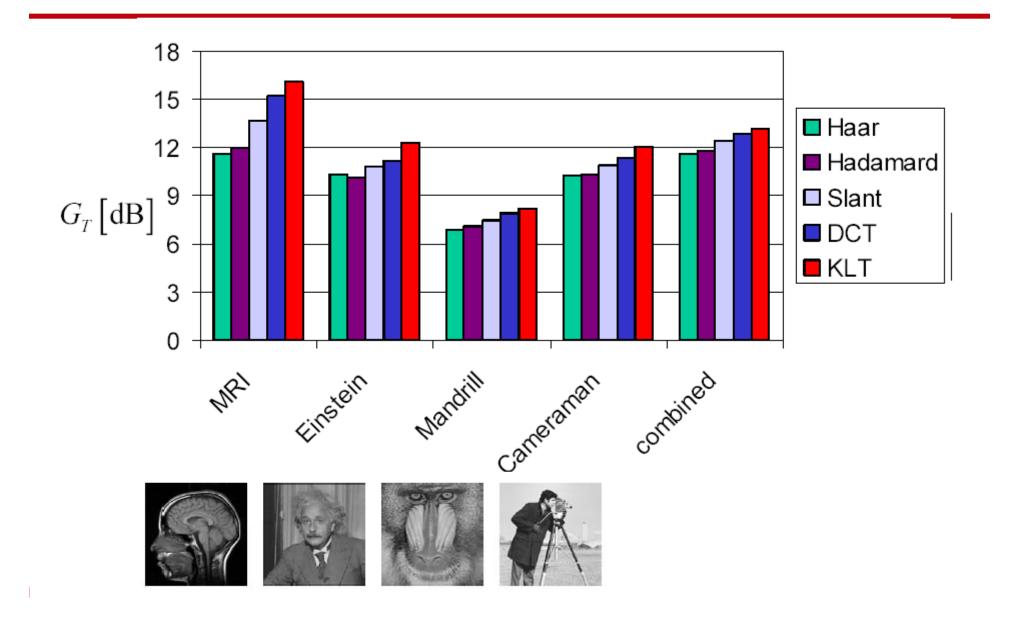
We want to choose **A** and **B** to minimize J.

Easy case: if we keep all the coefficients, we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y}$$
 so $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{B}\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$

so
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}$$
 (making $J = 0$) if $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$ i.e. $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$

Coding gain with 8x8 transforms



Drawbacks of KLT

KLT is theoretically optimal (in the MSE sense). (KLT maximises the coding gain, i.e. maximises the SNR after a given level of compression.)

BUT, it has practical difficulties:

- Estimate of correlation can be unwieldy
- Solution of eigenvector decomposition is computationally intensive (i.e. slow)
- Calculation of forward and inverse transforms is O(MN) for each image block
- Transmission of data-dependent basis A is required
- The technique is linear, therefore any non-linear correlation between variables will not be captured.

In comparison, turns out that DCT is fixed, and

- a good approximation to KLT for typical images,
- needs no eigenvalue decomposition, and
- transform is $O(N \log N)$.