

# Dimensionality Reduction

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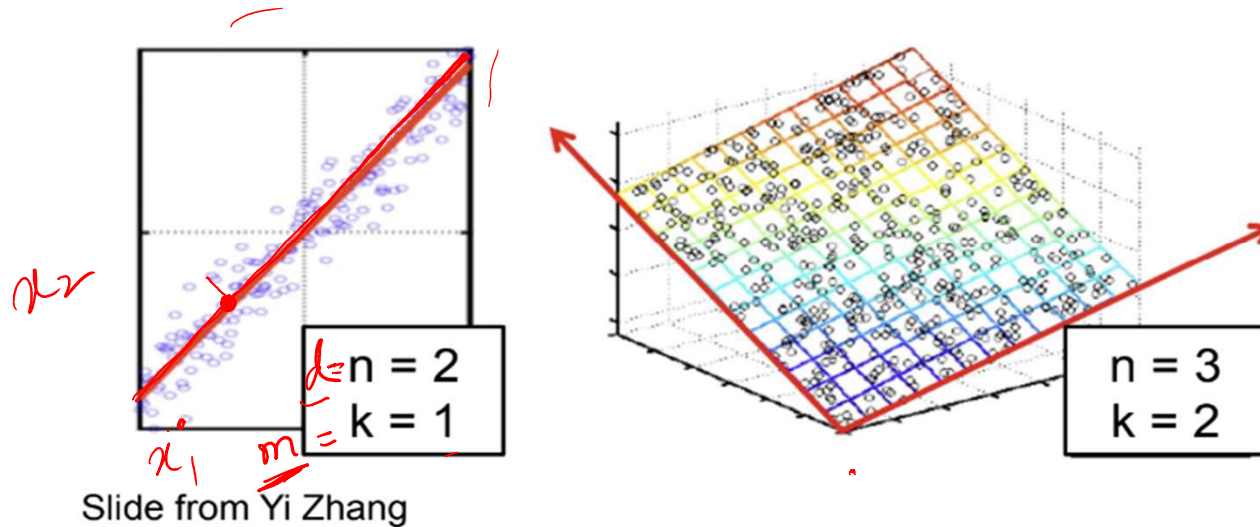
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- A form of unsupervised learning where we learn a mapping from a high dimensional space  $x \in R^{\textcircled{d}}$  to a lower dimensional space  $z \in R^{\textcircled{k}}$ ,  <sup>$d$  is large</sup> where  $k \ll d$
- Often original data in raw form might have a very high dimensionality (e.g. an image), but the information in each instance can be expressed compactly in smaller dimensions.
- Applications
  - Visualization <sup>continuous to be relevant. Eg: visualizing high-dimensional embedding</sup>
  - Efficient learning
  - Data understanding.

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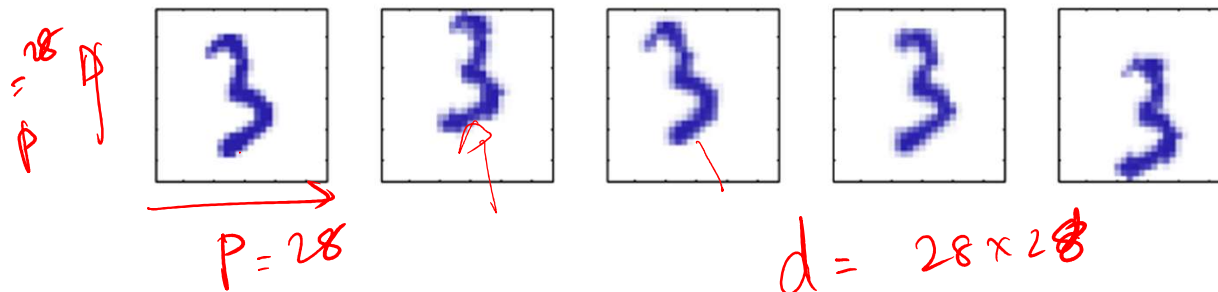
# Dimension reduction

- Assumption: data (approximately) lies on a lower dimensional space
- Examples:



## Example (from Bishop)

- Suppose we have a dataset of digits ("3") perturbed in various ways:



- What operations did I perform? What is the data's intrinsic dimensionality?
- Here the underlying manifold is *nonlinear*

Random displacement and rotation

# Linear projections

Given:  $N$  data points  $x^1, x^2, \dots, x^N$

- Each original high-dimensional  $x \in R^d$  is projected to a lower dimensional space  $z \in R^m$  using just a linear projection matrix.

$$z = Wx$$

$m \times d$

$$z_j = w_j^T x$$

$$= \langle w_j, x \rangle$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1^T \\ w_2^T \\ \vdots \\ w_m^T \end{bmatrix}$$

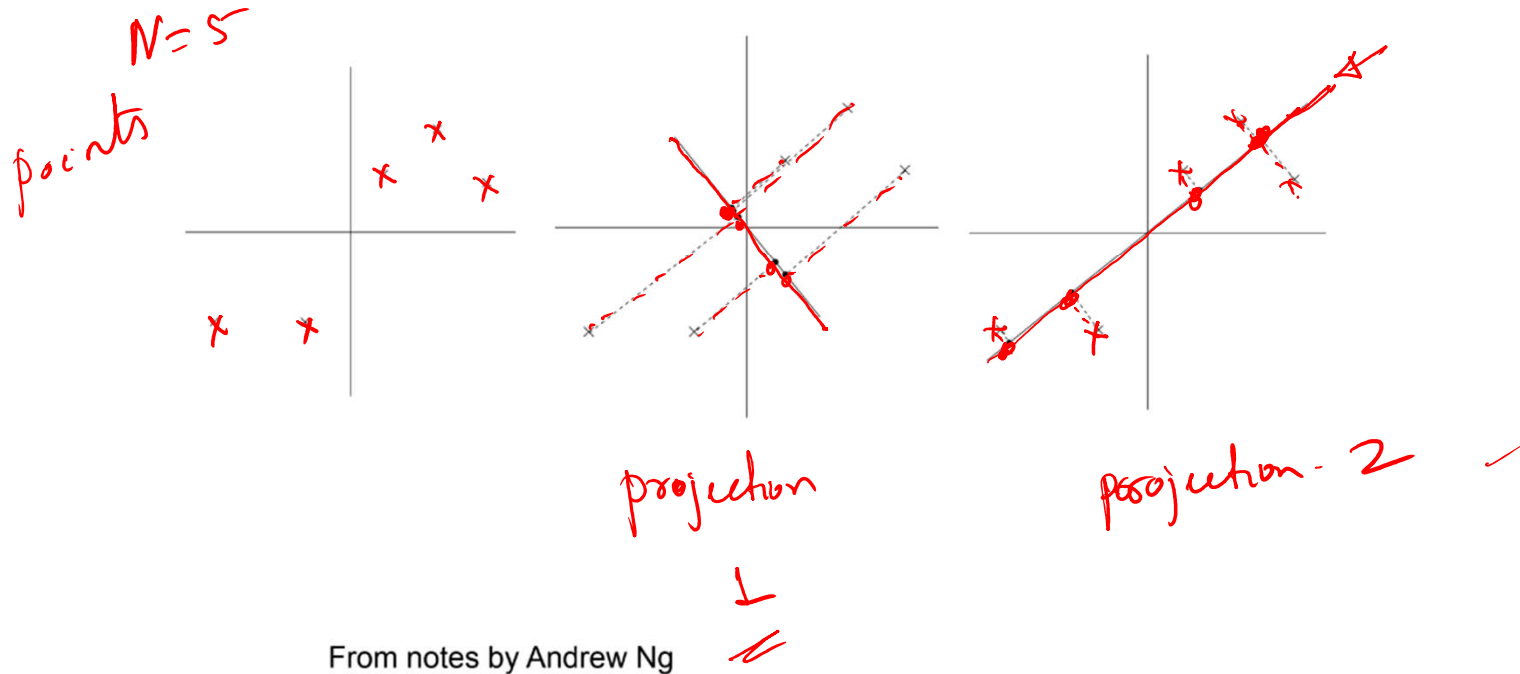
$$w_j = \begin{bmatrix} w_{j1} \\ \vdots \\ w_{jd} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_d \end{bmatrix} \quad z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} & \dots & w_{1d} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{j1} & w_{j2} & \dots & w_{jd} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{m1} & w_{m2} & \dots & w_{md} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} w_1^T \\ \vdots \\ w_j^T \\ \vdots \\ w_m^T \end{matrix}$$

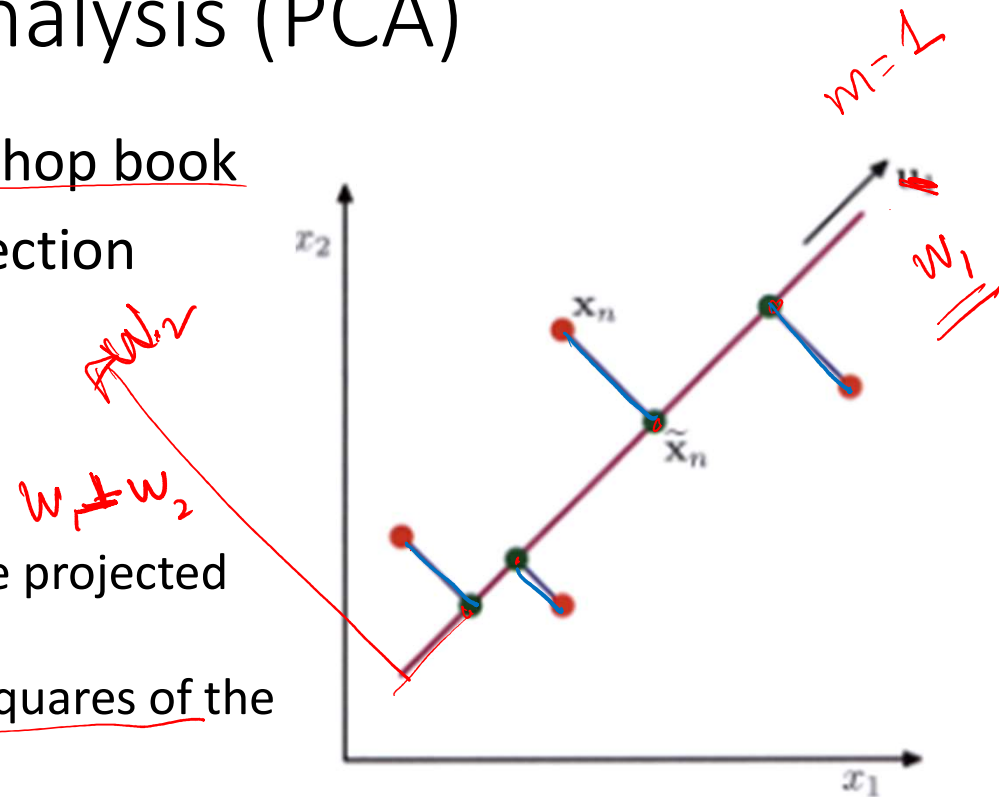
No labelled supervision on the desired  $z$ . How do we choose the best  $z$ ?

Which projection is better?



# Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- Reading material: Chapter 12 of Bishop book
- Simple and widely used linear projection
- Projection basis are orthogonal
  - $w_j \perp w_r \quad j, r \leq m$
- Objectives
  - Maximize the variance (spread) of the projected points --- green points
  - Equivalently, minimizing the sum of squares of the projection error --- blue lines.



Consider single dimensional projection  $m=1$ , to ~~minimize~~ <sup>maximize</sup> variance of projected points

Assume  $\|W_1\| = 1$

Given  $\underline{x}^1, \underline{x}^2, \dots, \underline{x}^N$

find  $\underline{W}_1$  s.t

$$\underline{x}^i \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

$$\underline{z}^i = W_1^T \underline{x}^i$$

variance of  $\{\underline{z}^1, \underline{z}^2, \dots, \underline{z}^N\}$  is ~~minimized~~ <sup>maximize</sup> d  
where  $\underline{z}^i = W_1^T \underline{x}^i$

$$\underline{W}_1 = \underset{W}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N (\underline{z}^i - \underline{\bar{z}})^2 \quad \text{where}$$

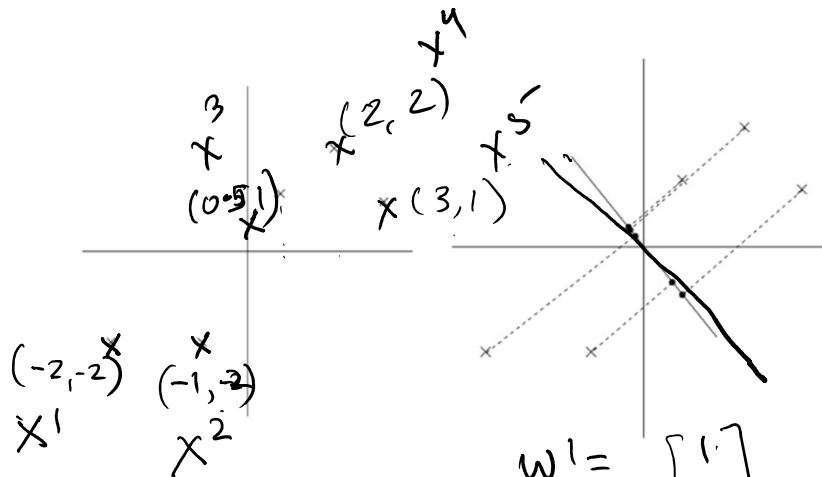
$$\underline{z}^i = W_1^T \underline{x}^i$$

$$\underline{\bar{z}} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underline{z}^i \quad (\text{Average } \underline{z})$$



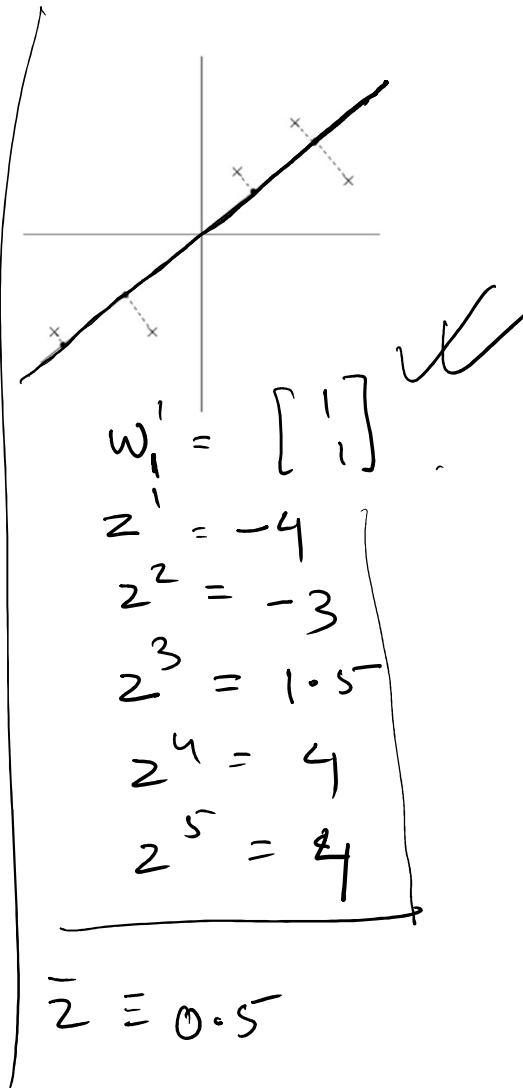
Two

$N = 5$



$$\begin{aligned} \underline{w^1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \underline{z^1} &= w^1 \cdot x^1 \\ \underline{z^2} &= 1 \\ \underline{z^3} &= -0.5 \\ \underline{z^4} &= 0 \\ \underline{z^5} &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Variance  $\{0, 1, -0.5, 0, 2\}$  -  
 $\bar{z} = 0.5$



$$\begin{aligned} \underline{w^1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \underline{z^1} &= -4 \\ \underline{z^2} &= -3 \\ \underline{z^3} &= 1.5 \\ \underline{z^4} &= 4 \\ \underline{z^5} &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\bar{z} = 0.5$$

# Solving for the optimal projection

$$\underline{w}' = \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{i=1}^N (\underline{w}_1^T x^i - \underline{w}_1^T \bar{x})^2$$

It can be shown that

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (\underline{w}_1^T x^i - \underline{w}_1^T \bar{x})^2 \equiv \underline{w}_1^T \underline{S} \underline{w}_1 \quad \text{where} \quad \underline{S} = \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T$$

$\underset{w}{\operatorname{max}} \quad \boxed{\underline{w}_1^T \underline{S} \underline{w}_1} \equiv \text{Eigen value of } \underline{S}$   
 where  $\|\underline{w}_1\| = 1$   
 or  $\boxed{\underline{w}_1^T \underline{w}_1 = 1}$

$\uparrow$  covariance correlation between the dimensions of  $x$   
 $\underline{S}$  is a  $d \times d$  matrix with elements  $S_{ij}$   
 $\rightarrow$  covariance between dimension  $i$  &  $j$  of  $N$  points

$$\max_{w_1} \underline{w_1^T S w_1} - \lambda (\underline{w_1^T w_1 - 1}) \quad \text{Lagrangian multiplier.}$$

Equating gradient w.r.t  $w_1$  to 0

$$\boxed{S w_1 = \lambda w_1}$$

$\lambda$  is a scalar

$\in \mathbb{R}$ .  $S$  is a square matrix

$\Rightarrow \underline{w_1}$  is an Eigen vector of  $S$

Left multiply by  $w_1$

$$\underline{w_1^T S w_1} = w_1^T \lambda w_1 = \lambda \boxed{w_1^T w_1} = \underline{\lambda} \quad [\because \underline{w_1^T w_1 = 1}]$$

objective:

$w_1 =$  Eigen-vector corresponding to which Eigen value is maximum

In general..

- The best  $m$  dimensional linear projection of a  $d$ -dimensional dataset for maximizing variance of the projected points are
  - The first  $m$  eigen vectors of the covariance matrix  $S$  of the given data points.

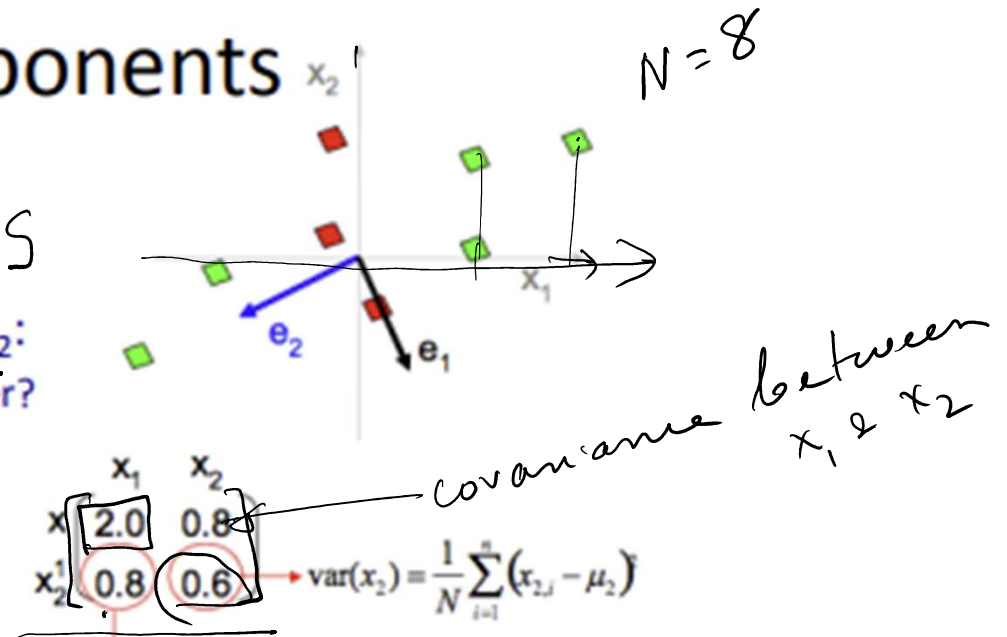
# Principal components

- Compute covariance matrix  $\Sigma = S$

– covariance of dimensions  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ :

- do  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  tend to increase together?
- or does  $x_2$  decrease as  $x_1$  increases?

– covariance: measure of variability



$$\begin{matrix} & x_1 & x_2 \\ x_1 & 2.0 & 0.8 \\ x_2 & 0.8 & 0.6 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \text{var}(x_2) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{2,i} - \mu_2)^2$$

$$\text{cov}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{1,i} - \mu_1)(x_{2,i} - \mu_2)$$

- Find the basis of  $\Sigma = S$

– find vectors  $e_i$  which aren't turned by  $\Sigma$

- $\Sigma e_i = \lambda_i e_i$ : eigenvalue / eigenvector

– 1<sup>st</sup> PC: "longest"  $e_i$  (has largest  $\lambda_i$ ), 2<sup>nd</sup> PC: next longest, ...

$$\begin{matrix} & e_1 & e_2 \\ \lambda_1 & 0.26 & x \begin{pmatrix} 0.4 \\ -0.9 \end{pmatrix} \\ \lambda_2 & 2.42 & y \begin{pmatrix} -0.9 \\ -0.4 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$w_1$

$$\|w_1\| = 1$$

$$= (0.9)^2 + (0.4)^2$$

$$= 0.81 + 0.16$$

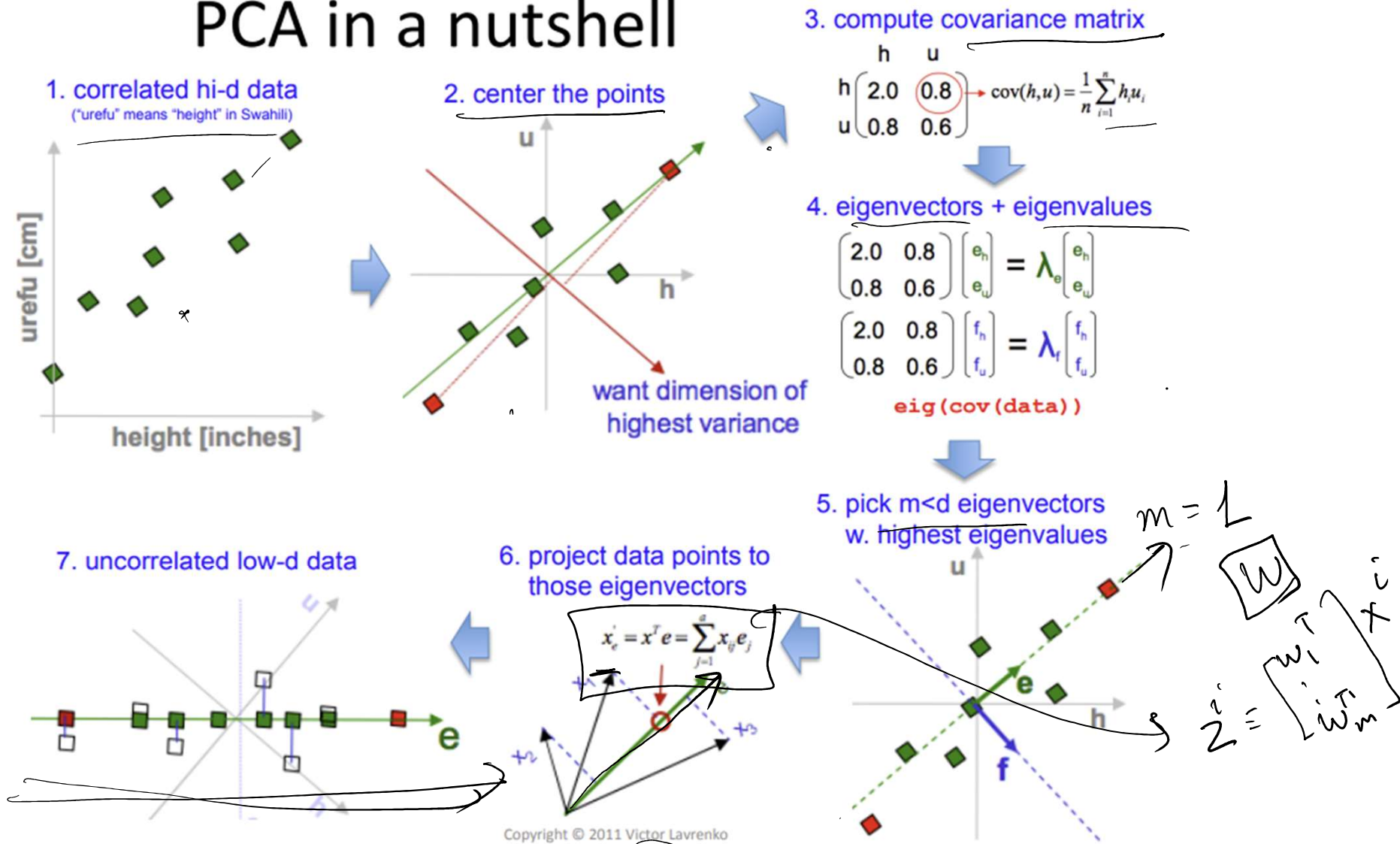
$$\approx 1$$

$w_2$

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# PCA in a nutshell





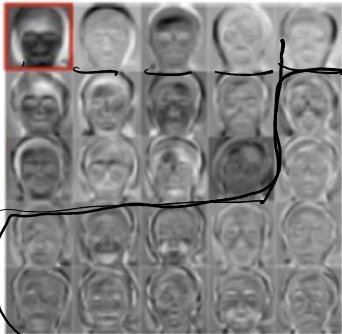
Eigen faces demo

## PCA example: Eigen Faces

input: dataset of  $N$  face images



can visualize  
eigenvectors:  
 $m$  "aspects"  
of prototypical  
facial features

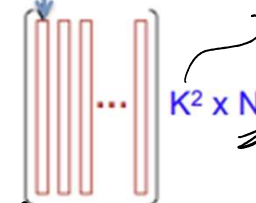


face:  $K \times K$  bitmap of pixels



"unfold" each bitmap to  
 $K^2$ -dimensional vector

arrange in a matrix  
each face = column



$K^2 \times N$

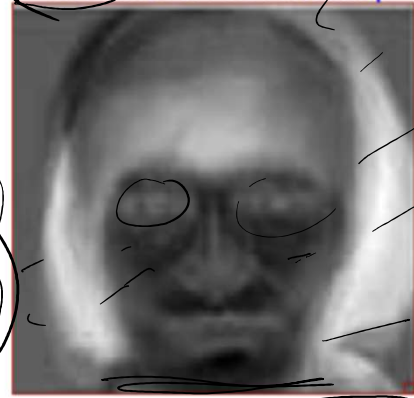
PCA



$K^2 \times m$

set of  $m$  eigenvectors  
each is  $K^2$ -dimensional

"fold" into a  $K \times K$  bitmap



create  $\Sigma$  or  $S$   
matrix  $X$ .  
(can find PCA  
without explicitly  
creating  $\Sigma$ )

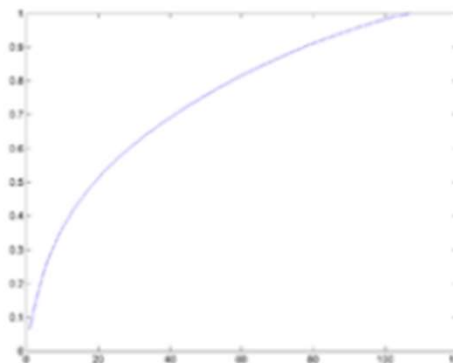


# Eigen Faces: Projection

$$\text{Target Face} = 0.9 * \text{Eigenface 1} - 0.2 * \text{Eigenface 2} + 0.4 * \text{Eigenface 3} + \dots$$



- Project new face to space of eigen-faces
- Represent vector as a linear combination of principal components
- How many do we need?



$m=1$   $m=2$

$m=14$

# (Eigen) Face Recognition

- Face similarity
  - in the reduced space
  - insensitive to lighting expression, orientation
- Projecting new “faces”
  - everything is a face



new face (not in training)

projected to eigenfaces

# Non-linear dimensionality reduction

- Also called manifold learning
- Manifold is a topological space that is locally Euclidean
  - Example: surface of the earth is a curved 2d surface embedded in a high-dimensional space by at each point on the surface, the earth seems flat
- Manifold hypothesis:
  - Most “naturally occurring” high-dimensional dataset lie on a low-dimensional manifold, also called the intrinsic dimensionality of the data
- Many methods exist for learning manifolds: main idea is to preserve local neighborhood of each point in the given dataset.

# Examples

# Stochastic Neighborhood Embedding (SNE)

- Convert high-dimensional Euclidean distances into conditional probabilities that represent similarities