

Python Labs



Yield Curve PCA Decomposition

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Dimensionality Reduction

One of the main difficulties in today's environment is being able to visualize data easily. There is too much information, too much news, and too much data. Dimensionality is the number of dimensions, features or input variables associated in a dataset and dimensionality reduction means reducing the number of features in a dataset.

Dimensionality reduction algorithms project high-dimensional data to a low-dimensional space while retaining as much of the variation as possible. There are two main approaches to dimensionality reduction.

- The first one is known as linear projection which involves linearly projecting data from a high-dimensional space to a low-dimensional space. This includes techniques such as principal component analysis (PCA).
- The second approach is known as manifold learning which is also referred to as nonlinear dimensionality reduction. This includes techniques such as Uniform manifold approximation and projection (UMAP).

Dimensionality reduction techniques help to address the curse of dimensionality.

Principal Component

PCA is a linear dimensionality reduction techniqu where the algorithm finds a lowdimensional representation of the data while retaining as much of the variation as possible and help reduce the complexity.

The main concept behind the PCA is to consider the correlation among features. If the correlation is very high among a subset of the features, PCA will attempt to combine the highly correlated features and represent this data with a smaller number of linearly uncorrelated features. The algorithm keeps performing this correlation reduction, finding the directions of maximum variance in the original high-dimensional data and projecting them onto a smaller dimensional space. These newly derived components are known as **principal components**.

Investors often refer to movements in the yield curve in terms of three driving factors:

- Level
- Slope
- Curvature

PCA formalizes this viewpoint and allows us to evaluate when a segment of the yield curve has cheapened or richened beyond that prescribed by recent yield movements. The essence of PCA in the context of rates market is that most yield curve movements can be represented as a set of two to three independent driving factors – the principal components (PCs) – along with their relative weightings. And, with these components, it is possible to reconstruct the original features.

We'll apply PCA to the set of yield curves fitted using the HJM model as discussed during the lecture. The PCs are ordered so that the first PC is the most important in capturing variability in the yield curves, the second PC is next most important, and so on.

The most intuitive way of obtaining PCs is via eigenvalue decomposition of a covariance matrix. The covariance measures the central tendency and talks about deviation from the mean. Intuitively, PCs represent ways in which the forward rates making up a yield curve can deviate from their mean levels.

Load Libraries

```
In []: # Import libraries
   import numpy as np
   import pandas as pd
   import os as os

# Cufflinks library allows direct plotting of Plotly interactive charts f
   import cufflinks as cf
   cf.set_config_file(offline=True)

# Heatmap of covariance matrix
   import plotly.graph_objs as go
   from plotly.subplots import make_subplots

# scikit
   from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
   from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
   from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
```

```
In []: pd.set_option('display.max_rows', 5000)
   pd.set_option('display.max_columns', 100)
   pd.set_option('display.width', 1000)
```

Datasets

Swap Curve DAILY 2002 to 2007

- hjm-pca.csv has DAILY forward curves for Bank Liability Curve (BLC), historically derived by the BOE from the borrowings of AAA to AA-rated financial institutions. The curve was known as LIBOR Curve, but professional/Bloomberg data to use usually called Swap Curve. Period is approximately five years from January 2007 (top lines) to January 2002 (bottom lines).

Gilts Curve MONTHLY 1970 to 2015

- gilts_spot_1970-2015.xlsx has MONTHLY spot curves for Government Liability Curve (GLC), stripped from UK Treasury Gilts. Excel sheet "4. spot curve" Period is much longer from January 1970 (now the oldest curves in top lines) to December 2015.

```
In [ ]:
          # Check working directory
          os.getcwd()
          # Set working directory if necessary
          # work dir = "INSERT PATH TO FILE LOCATION"
          # os.chdir(work dir)
          data = pd.read csv('./data/hjm pca 2002-07.csv', index col=0, sep ='\t')
In [ ]:
In [ ]:
          data.head()
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In []: data.shape
Out[]: (1264, 51)
```

Rows x Columns

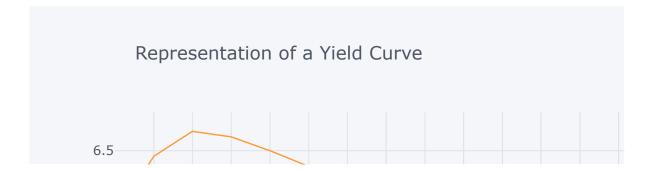
Representation of a yield curve as 50 forward rates. As the yield curve evolves over time, each forward rate can change. It is understood that adjacent points on the yield curve do not move independently. PCA is a method for identifying the dominant ways in which various points on the yield curve move together.

PCA allows us to take a set of yield curves, and analyse their movements in the model-free approach -- it is **unsupervised learning**.

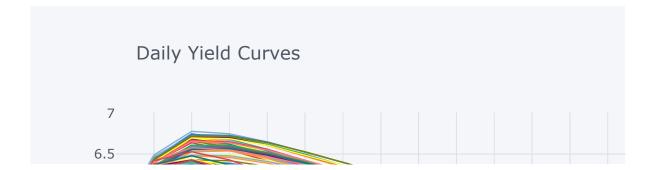
The reduced model for the yield curve retains only a small number of principal components (PCs) -- typically 3 to 5 eigenvectors depending on amount of variance covered. That model can reproduce the vast majority of yield curves. That reduced model has fewer sources of uncertainty (i.e. dimensions) compared to 51 tenors of the original the yield curve, particularly that we know they don't move fully independently.

Plot Curves

```
In []: # Plot curve
data.iloc[0].iplot(title = 'Representation of a Yield Curve')
```



```
In [ ]: # Plot all curves
    data.T.iplot(title='Daily Yield Curves')
```



We'll now produce the volatility chart by taking the first difference (scaling) and calculating historical variance by each individual maturity.

```
In []:
          diff_ = data.diff(-1)
          diff_.dropna(inplace=True)
In []:
          diff_.tail()
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In [ ]: diff_.shape
Out[ ]: (1263, 51)
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Derive Volatility

The drift of forward rate is determined by volatility of forward rates -- we have learned this in the HJM Model drift function m(), which is vol times integral of vol.

For general knowledge, we compute the volatility at different tenors of the curve (HJM PCA curve data.)

```
In []: vol = np.std(diff_, axis=0) * 10000
In []: vol[:21].iplot(title='Volatility of Daily Yields', xTitle='Tenor', yTitle color='cornflowerblue')

Volatility of Daily Yields
560
```

The above volatility plot is of the averaged values, but we can see that different parts of the yield curve move differently. As you can see volatility is very significant, especially at the shorter end of the curve. This means that 1-year and 2-year rates seems to move up and down a lot as compared to other tenors.

It is never all up or all down and PCA help us figure out exactly what is going. Covariance of daily changes shows dependency of different rates. Principal components can be calculated by finding the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of this covariance matrix of below.

Compute Covariance

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cov_= pd.DataFrame(np.cov(diff_, rowvar=False)*252/10000,
                             columns=diff_.columns, index=diff_.columns)
         cov .style.format("{:.4%}")
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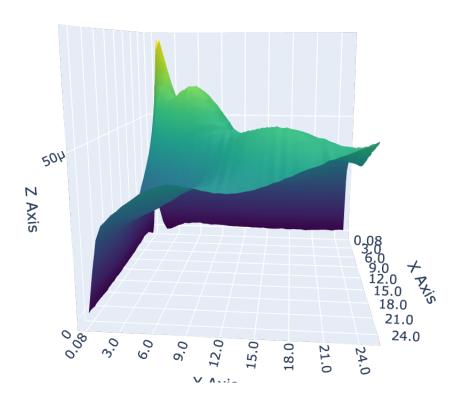
```
In []: # Heatmap appropirate for Covariance Matrix
fig_matrix = go.Figure(data=go.Heatmap(z=cov_, colorscale='Viridis'))
fig_matrix.update_layout(title='Covariance Matrix Heatmap')
fig_matrix.show()
```

Covariance Matrix Heatmap



```
In [ ]: # 3D Surface Plot with larger dimensions
        x, y = np.meshgrid(cov_.columns, cov_.index)
        fig_surface = make_subplots(rows=1, cols=1, specs=[[{'type': 'surface'}]]
        fig_surface.add_trace(go.Surface(z=cov_.values, x=x, y=y, colorscale='Vir
        # Update layout for larger dimensions
        fig_surface.update_layout(title='Covariance 3D Surface Plot (rotate)',
                                  scene=dict(
                                      xaxis=dict(title='X Axis'),
                                      yaxis=dict(title='Y Axis'),
                                      zaxis=dict(title='Z Axis'),
                                  ),
                                  width=800, # Adjust width as needed
                                  height=600 # Adjust height as needed
        # Show the plot
        fig_surface.show()
        # Observation: if we remove the 0.08 tenor (where covariance peaks), we a
```

Covariance 3D Surface Plot



Singular Value Decomposition

```
In []: eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(cov_)

# Sort values (good practice)
idx = eigenvalues.argsort()[::-1]
eigenvalues = eigenvalues[idx]
eigenvectors = eigenvectors[:,idx]

# Format into DataFrame
df_eigval = pd.DataFrame({"Eigenvalues": eigenvalues})
In []: df_eigval.head()
```

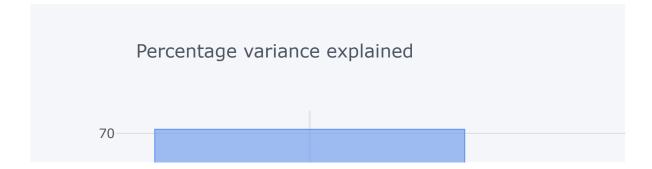
| Out[|]: | | Eigenvalues |
|------|----|---|-------------|
| | | 0 | 0.002029 |
| | | 1 | 0.000463 |
| | | 2 | 0.000163 |
| | | 3 | 0.000085 |
| | | 4 | 0.000051 |

Explained Variance \mathbb{R}^2 as sum of eigenvalues

```
In []: # Work out explained proportion
    df_eigval["Var Explained"] = df_eigval["Eigenvalues"] / np.sum(df_eigval[
    df_eigval = df_eigval[:8]

#Format as percentage
    df_eigval.style.format({"Var Explained": "{:.2%}"})
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Out[]:
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Visualize PCs

```
In []: # Subsume first 3 components into a dataframe
    pcadf = pd.DataFrame(eigenvectors[:,0:3], columns=['e1','e2','e3'], index
    pcadf[:10]
```

| Out[]: | | e1 | e2 | e3 |
|--------|------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 0.08 | 0.004091 | -0.008275 | 0.000235 |
| | 0.5 | 0.056204 | -0.161934 | -0.271539 |
| | 1.0 | 0.101034 | -0.239236 | -0.401805 |
| | 1.5 | 0.116817 | -0.243675 | -0.357226 |
| | 2.0 | 0.121388 | -0.235475 | -0.275176 |
| | 2.5 | 0.125890 | -0.226757 | -0.195816 |
| | 3.0 | 0.129107 | -0.219537 | -0.123907 |
| | 3.5 | 0.133088 | -0.211509 | -0.062428 |
| | 4.0 | 0.136317 | -0.204675 | -0.007698 |
| | 4.5 | 0.139725 | -0.197136 | 0.041132 |



One of the key interpretations of PCA as applied to interest rates are the components of the yield curve. We can attribute the first three principal components to

- Parallel shifts in yield curve (shifts across the entire yield curve)
- Changes in short/long rates (steepening/flattening of the curve)
- Changes in curvature of the model (twists)

The first PC represents the situation that all forward rates in the yield curve move in the same direction but points around the 15 year term move more than points at the shorter or longer parts of the yield curve. This corresponds to a general rise (or fall) of all of the forward rates in the yield curve, but cannot be called a uniform or parallel shift. The impact of the first PC can be easily observed amongst the yield curves as it contributes more than 71% of the variability.

The second PC represents situations in which the short end of the yield curve moves up at the same time as the long end moves down, or vice versa. This is often described as a tilt in the yield curve, although in practice there is more subtle definition to the shape. This reflects the particular yield curves that were used for the analysis, as well as the structural model and calibration that were used to create them. In this excample, the influence of the second PC accounts for about 16% of the variability in the yield curves.

The third PC is further interpreted as a higher order buckling in which the short end and long end move up at the same time as a region of medium term rates move down, or vice versa. In this particular example, this type of movement is only responsible for about 5.70% of the variability.

Having identified the most important factors, we can use their functional form to predict the most likely evolution of the yeild curve. Thus, a simple linear regression is fitted for the shift factor as it simply moves the curve up and down. Second degree polynomial is fitted for the tilt factor and higher degree can approximate flexing. Thus, yield curve can be approximated by linear combination of first three loadings.

UK Gilts - Nominal Spot

The purpose of applying PCA to financial markets is to explain the price changes of different assets through a smaller set of factors. This is achieved via the dimensionality reduction of the observations where we pick meaningful factors (among many) explaining the most of the price changes. We'll now apply the principal component analysis to UK government bond spot rates [1] from 0.5 years up to 10 years to maturity.

We will perform Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of covariance matrix using two Python functionalities: *numpy.linalg* and *sklearn.PCA*.

We will remember to scale the data in both implementations.

Gilts Curve MONTHLY 1970 to 2015

- gilts_spot_1970-2015.xlsx has MONTHLY spot curves for Government Liability Curve (GLC), stripped from UK Treasury Gilts. Excel sheet "4. spot curve" Period is much longer from January 1970 (now the oldest curves in top lines) to December 2015;
- we limit our analysis to \$[1Y, 10.5Y]\$ chunk of the spot give. The likely implication is we end up with limited usefulness of PCA and a very strong PC1;
- looking into data, the first column at tenor 0.5 has a lot of missing values. With MONTHLY frequency that would be lot of monthly curves thrown out of analysis, and particularly as we cut the curve to the front end.

```
In []: # Import Curve Data
df = pd.read_excel("./data/gilts_spot_1970-2015.xlsx", index_col=0, heade

# IMPORTANT DATA PROCESSING
# Limit curve to 10.5Y tenor. Semi-annual increments give 20 columns
# Tenor 0.5Y would have given a lot missed values, so the entire monthy c

df = df.iloc[:, 1:21]

df.head()
```

| Out[]: | | | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 2 | .5 | 3.0 | 3.5 | | 4.0 | 4.5 |
|---------|---|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-------|---------|----------|----------|---------|-------|----------------------|-------|
| | years: | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 1970- 01-31 | 8.6353 | 354 8.707 | 430 8.70 | 0727 | 8.66404 | 19 8.618 | 3702 8. | 572477 | 8.528 | 372 8.48 | 37617 |
| | 1970- 02- 28 | 8.413 | 131 8.397 | 269 8.370 | 0748 | 8.33763 | 33 8.301 | 1590 8.2 | 265403 | 8.230 | 804 8.19 | 8713 |
| | 1970- 03-31 | 7.744′ | 187 7.782 | 2761 7.79 | 5017 | 7.79310 |)4 7.784 | 963 7.7 | 775288 | 7.766 | 459 7.75 | 9564 |
| | 1970- 04- 30 | 7.606 | 512 7.864 | 352 7.973 | 3522 | 8.00244 | 12 7.992 | 2813 7.9 | 967524 | 7.938 | 335 7.9 [,] | 11422 |
| | 1970- 05-31 | 7.391 ² | 107 7.735 | 838 7.86 | 2182 | 7.8775 | 10 7.840 |)673 7.7 | 782249 | 7.718 | 053 7.65 | 6856 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| In []: | df = df.sh | | pna(how= | "any") | | | | | | | | |
| Out[]: | (550, | 20) | | | | | | | | | | |
| In []: | <pre># StandardScaler() by defaults normalises data computes Z-score scaler = StandardScaler() scaler.fit(df)</pre> | | | | | | cores by | 7 CO | | | | |
| | df1 = df1.h | _ | taFrame(| scaler.t | ransf | orm(df | :)) | | | | | |
| Out[]: | | 0 | 1 | 2 | | 3 | 4 | | 5 | 6 | 7 | , |
| | 0 0.4 | 38865 | 0.440632 | 0.418813 | 0.39 | 0185 0 | .360774 | 0.33232 | 20 0.3 | 05297 | 0.279832 | 2 0.2 |
| | 1 0.3 | 81957 | 0.360305 | 0.332602 | 0.30 | 4217 0 | .276632 | 0.2502 | 91 0.2 | 25334 | 0.201798 | 0. |
| | 2 0.2 | 10651 | 0.201157 | 0.182185 | 0.160 | 0805 (|).139552 | 0.11936 | 66 0.10 | 00553 | 0.083182 | 0.0 |
| | 3 0.1 | 75394 | 0.222287 | 0.228822 | 0.215 | 5938 (|).194702 | 0.1707 | 18 0.1 | 46740 | 0.124200 | 0. |
| | 4 0.1 | 20232 | 0.189004 | 0.199733 | 0.183 | 3035 0 |).154334 | 0.1212 | 25 0.0 | 87545 | 0.055440 | 0.0 |

Covariance Matrix (Scaled Data)

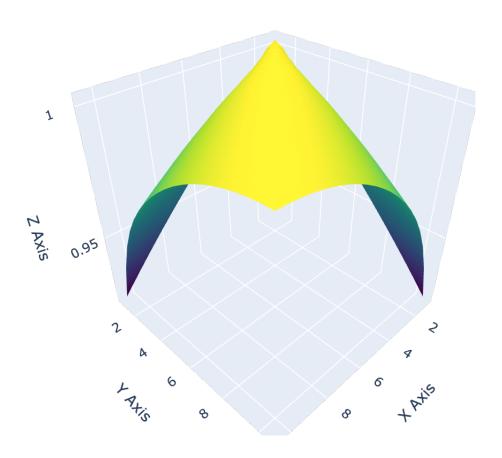
```
cov_array = np.cov(df1, rowvar=False)
In []:
        # cov_df1 = pd.DataFrame(cov_array) #, index=range(1,21), columns=range(1
        cov_df1 = pd.DataFrame(cov_array, columns=df.columns, index=df.columns)
        cov_df1 .style.format("{:.4}")
```

Out[]:

| | 1.000000 | 1.500000 | 2.000000 | 2.500000 | 3.000000 | 3.500000 | 4.000000 |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1.000000 | 1.002 | 0.9998 | 0.9958 | 0.9912 | 0.9866 | 0.9822 | 0.9779 |
| 1.500000 | 0.9998 | 1.002 | 1.001 | 0.9982 | 0.9951 | 0.9919 | 0.9886 |
| 2.000000 | 0.9958 | 1.001 | 1.002 | 1.001 | 0.9994 | 0.9973 | 0.995 |
| 2.500000 | 0.9912 | 0.9982 | 1.001 | 1.002 | 1.001 | 1.0 | 0.9986 |
| 3.000000 | 0.9866 | 0.9951 | 0.9994 | 1.001 | 1.002 | 1.001 | 1.001 |
| 3.500000 | 0.9822 | 0.9919 | 0.9973 | 1.0 | 1.001 | 1.002 | 1.002 |
| 4.000000 | 0.9779 | 0.9886 | 0.995 | 0.9986 | 1.001 | 1.002 | 1.002 |
| 4.500000 | 0.9739 | 0.9853 | 0.9924 | 0.9967 | 0.9993 | 1.001 | 1.002 |
| 5.000000 | 0.9699 | 0.982 | 0.9897 | 0.9946 | 0.9977 | 0.9997 | 1.001 |
| 5.500000 | 0.9659 | 0.9786 | 0.9869 | 0.9923 | 0.9959 | 0.9983 | 1.0 |
| 6.000000 | 0.9619 | 0.9751 | 0.9839 | 0.9898 | 0.9938 | 0.9966 | 0.9987 |
| 6.500000 | 0.9578 | 0.9716 | 0.9808 | 0.9871 | 0.9915 | 0.9947 | 0.9971 |
| 7.000000 | 0.9537 | 0.9679 | 0.9775 | 0.9842 | 0.989 | 0.9925 | 0.9953 |
| 7.500000 | 0.9494 | 0.9641 | 0.9742 | 0.9812 | 0.9863 | 0.9902 | 0.9932 |
| 8.000000 | 0.9451 | 0.9602 | 0.9706 | 0.978 | 0.9834 | 0.9876 | 0.991 |
| 8.500000 | 0.9407 | 0.9562 | 0.967 | 0.9747 | 0.9804 | 0.9849 | 0.9886 |
| 9.000000 | 0.9362 | 0.952 | 0.9632 | 0.9712 | 0.9773 | 0.982 | 0.986 |
| 9.500000 | 0.9315 | 0.9478 | 0.9593 | 0.9677 | 0.974 | 0.979 | 0.9832 |
| 10.000000 | 0.9267 | 0.9434 | 0.9553 | 0.9639 | 0.9705 | 0.9759 | 0.9803 |
| 10.500000 | 0.9218 | 0.9389 | 0.9511 | 0.9601 | 0.967 | 0.9725 | 0.9772 |

```
In [ ]: # 3D Surface Plot with larger dimensions
        x, y = np.meshgrid(cov_df1.columns, cov_df1.index)
        fig_surface = make_subplots(rows=1, cols=1, specs=[[{'type': 'surface'}]]
        fig_surface.add_trace(go.Surface(z=cov_df1.values, x=x, y=y, colorscale='
        # Update layout for larger dimensions
        fig_surface.update_layout(title='Covariance 3D Surface Plot (rotate)',
                                  scene=dict(
                                      xaxis=dict(title='X Axis'),
                                      yaxis=dict(title='Y Axis'),
                                      zaxis=dict(title='Z Axis'),
                                  ),
                                  width=800, # Adjust width as needed
                                  height=600 # Adjust height as needed
        # Show the plot
        fig_surface.show()
        # Observation: we have ended up with very robust covariance matrix, devoi
```

Covariance 3D Surface Plot (rotate)



Singular Value Decomposition

```
In []: eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(cov_array)

# Sort values (good practice)
idx = eigenvalues.argsort()[::-1]
eigenvalues = eigenvalues[idx]
eigenvectors = eigenvectors[:,idx]

# Format into DataFrame (but we output array type below -- to show how sm
df1_eigval = pd.DataFrame({"Eigenvalues": eigenvalues}) #, index=range(1,
In []: eigenvalues
```

```
array([1.97536839e+01, 2.63618514e-01, 1.66472447e-02, 2.09709989e-03,
Out[]:
                3.61048910e-04, 1.98613387e-05, 2.05085861e-06, 1.57775294e-07,
               2.18653003e-08, 5.24252240e-09, 1.03925795e-09, 2.41742911e-10,
                6.16969240e-11, 1.56642017e-11, 6.87563072e-12, 2.16115375e-12,
                7.60439950e-13, 2.01826232e-13, 3.25176662e-14, 7.22731909e-15])
In [ ]: # Format into a DataFrame
        df1 eigvec = pd.DataFrame(eigenvectors) #, index=range(1,21))
        eigenvectors[:,0] # Only PC1 is of relevance
        array([0.218112 , 0.22071219, 0.22234786, 0.22337726, 0.22404304,
Out[ ]:
               0.22448583, 0.22478226, 0.2249718 , 0.225074 , 0.22509903,
                0.22505332, 0.22494209, 0.22477012, 0.22454186, 0.22426118,
                0.2239312 , 0.22355415 , 0.22313142 , 0.22266358 , 0.22215056
In [ ]: # Work out explained proportion
        df1_eigval["Var Explained"] = df_eigval["Eigenvalues"] / np.sum(df_eigval
        df1_eigval = df_eigval[:5]
        #Format as percentage
        df1 eigval.style.format({"Var Explained": "{:.2%}"})
Out[]:
           Eigenvalues Var Explained
        0
             19.753684
                           98.59%
         1
              0.263619
                            1.32%
        2
              0.016647
                            0.08%
        3
             0.002097
                            0.01%
        4
              0.000361
                            0.00%
        (df1_eigval['Var Explained'][:5]*100).iplot(kind='bar',
In [ ]:
                                                       title='Percentage Variance E
                                                       color='cornflowerblue')
```

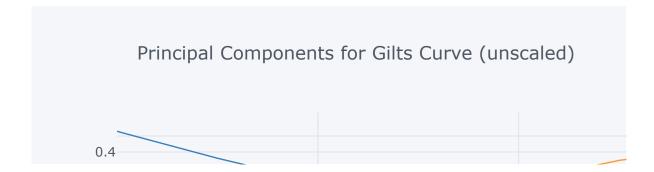


Visualize PCs

```
In []: # Subsume first 3 components into a dataframe
    pcdf = pd.DataFrame(eigenvectors[:,0:3], columns=['e1','e2','e3'], index=
    pcdf[:10]
```

| Out[]: | | e1 | e2 | e3 |
|--------|------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 1.0 | 0.218112 | 0.463225 | -0.551906 |
| | 1.5 | 0.220712 | 0.380888 | -0.272863 |
| | 2.0 | 0.222348 | 0.307708 | -0.059870 |
| | 2.5 | 0.223377 | 0.244910 | 0.088958 |
| | 3.0 | 0.224043 | 0.190317 | 0.185746 |
| | 3.5 | 0.224486 | 0.141776 | 0.241599 |
| | 4.0 | 0.224782 | 0.097657 | 0.265486 |
| | 4.5 | 0.224972 | 0.056822 | 0.264741 |
| | 5.0 | 0.225074 | 0.018513 | 0.245486 |
| | 5.5 | 0.225099 | -0.017770 | 0.212737 |
| | 6.0 | 0.225053 | -0.052343 | 0.170475 |
| | 6.5 | 0.224942 | -0.085405 | 0.121843 |
| | 7.0 | 0.224770 | -0.117103 | 0.069317 |
| | 7.5 | 0.224542 | -0.147554 | 0.014816 |
| | 8.0 | 0.224261 | -0.176856 | -0.040212 |
| | 8.5 | 0.223931 | -0.205097 | -0.094708 |
| | 9.0 | 0.223554 | -0.232354 | -0.147926 |
| | 9.5 | 0.223131 | -0.258698 | -0.199362 |
| | 10.0 | 0.222664 | -0.284186 | -0.248703 |

In []: pcdf.iplot(title='Principal Components for Gilts Curve (unscaled)', secon



Singular Value Decomposition using Sklearn PCA

```
In []: # eigenvalues, reference here to eigenvalues being canonical variances
        pipe['pca'].explained_variance_
        array([1.97536839e+01, 2.63618514e-01, 1.66472447e-02, 2.09709989e-03,
Out[]:
               3.61048910e-04, 1.98613387e-05, 2.05085861e-06, 1.57775294e-07,
               2.18653002e-08, 5.24252217e-09, 1.03925798e-09, 2.41742878e-10,
               6.16971007e-11, 1.56643511e-11, 6.87603089e-12, 2.16126409e-12,
               7.60197645e-13, 2.01508718e-13, 3.27096425e-14, 7.77492535e-15])
In [ ]: # explained variance ratio is R^2 statistic, eg 98.89% for our PC1 below
        pipe['pca'].explained variance ratio
        array([9.85888404e-01, 1.31569604e-02, 8.30848850e-04, 1.04664349e-04,
Out[]:
               1.80196228e-05, 9.91261358e-07, 1.02356489e-07, 7.87442147e-09,
               1.09127726e-09, 2.61649516e-10, 5.18684208e-11, 1.20651673e-11,
               3.07924621e-12, 7.81793524e-13, 3.43176451e-13, 1.07866726e-13,
               3.79407734e-14, 1.00571169e-14, 1.63250852e-15, 3.88039456e-16])
In [ ]:
        dfl_eigval = pd.DataFrame({'Eigenvalues': pipe['pca'].explained_variance_
                             'Var Explained': pipe['pca'].explained variance ratio
        df1_eigval = df1_eigval[:5]
        #Format as percentage
        df1 eigval.style.format({"Var Explained": "{:.2%}"})
Out[]:
           Eigenvalues Var Explained
             19.753684
                           98.59%
              0.263619
                            1.32%
        2
                            0.08%
              0.016647
        3
             0.002097
                            0.01%
              0.000361
                            0.00%
```

4

Percentage of variance explained and eigenvalues obtained by Sklearn PCA match eigenvalues obtained by numpy linear algebra functionality. **QED**

PCA Projection

Dot product operation effectively applies the linear transformation represented by the eigenvectors **to each row** of our original data, providing a new representation of the data in the space defined by the principal components.

Take a single row of curves dataset (forward or spot) as a vector \mathbf{f} with dimensions (1,20), which is 1 row x 20 columns.

The projection of \mathbf{f} onto the principal components is computed with the eigenvectors matrix \mathbf{V} with dimensions (20,3) -- eigenvectors are in columns. Matrix \mathbf{V} will be in transposed position with regard to the data row \mathbf{f} .

$$\mathbf{f}_{\text{projected}} = \mathbf{f} \cdot \mathbf{V}$$

The dot product is calculated as follows:

$$\mathbf{f}_{ ext{projected}} = \sum_{j=1}^{20} f_j \cdot \mathbf{V}_{ji}$$

 f_j is the j-th element (tenor) of curve row ${f f}$,

 \mathbf{V}_{ji} is the j-th component of the i-th eigenvector.

Resulting table is not the dataset of alternative curves! Its columns are projections, not evolution of rates at specific tenors.

```
In []: # Dot product below 'projects' principal components, onto the scaled data
    df1_projections = df1.dot(eigenvectors) # all 20 eigenvectors preserved
    df1_projections.index = df.index
    df1_projections.head(10)
```

2

3

5

6

0

1

Out[]:

| | | _ | _ | _ | _ | - | _ | _ | |
|--|--------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|--------------|----------|-----------|------|
| | years: | | | | | | | | |
| | 1970- 01-31 | 1.102175 | 0.509879 | 0.018864 | 0.055784 | 0.005776 | 0.005033 | -0.000456 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 02- 28 | 0.776345 | 0.488407 | -0.003268 | 0.039490 | -0.004190 | 0.001963 | -0.000825 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 03-31 | 0.306236 | 0.330603 | -0.015749 | 0.042838 | -0.001795 | 0.002541 | -0.000854 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 04- 30 | 0.476186 | 0.291168 | 0.021121 | 0.109716 | 0.010959 | 0.002292 | -0.001483 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 05-31 | 0.114939 | 0.418865 | 0.048168 | 0.153189 | 0.015166 | 0.003729 | -0.001805 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 06- 30 | -0.342257 | 0.429821 | -0.096485 | 0.140175 | 0.007289 | 0.006368 | -0.001054 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 07-31 | -0.395990 | 0.205768 | -0.161776 | 0.065392 | -0.002375 | 0.007756 | 0.000217 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 08-31 | -0.325605 | 0.121112 | -0.122751 | 0.074666 | -0.005811 | 0.004775 | -0.001201 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 09- 30 | -0.374422 | 0.134884 | -0.125019 | 0.059176 | -0.008538 | 0.004050 | -0.001180 | 0.00 |
| | 1970- 10-31 | -0.146490 | 0.211438 | -0.140262 | 0.100464 | 0.001645 | 0.005772 | -0.001345 | 0.00 |

```
In []: #Check dimensions
    df1_projections.shape

Out[]: (550, 20)

In []: # Plot all
    df1_projections.iplot(title='Projections')

# data.T.iplot(title='Quasi curves') this plot not very useful, it will s
```



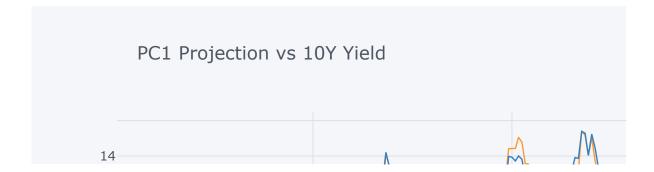
```
In []: df1_projections3 = df1.dot(eigenvectors[:, 0:3]) # only 3 eigenvectors a
    df1_projections3.index = df.index
    df1_projections3.shape

Out[]: df1_projections3.head(10)
```

| Out[]: | | 0 | 1 | 2 |
|--------|------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| | years: | | | |
| | 1970-01-31 | 1.102175 | 0.509879 | 0.018864 |
| | 1970-02-28 | 0.776345 | 0.488407 | -0.003268 |
| | 1970-03-31 | 0.306236 | 0.330603 | -0.015749 |
| | 1970-04-30 | 0.476186 | 0.291168 | 0.021121 |
| | 1970-05-31 | 0.114939 | 0.418865 | 0.048168 |
| | 1970-06-30 | -0.342257 | 0.429821 | -0.096485 |
| | 1970-07-31 | -0.395990 | 0.205768 | -0.161776 |
| | 1970-08-31 | -0.325605 | 0.121112 | -0.122751 |
| | 1970-09-30 | -0.374422 | 0.134884 | -0.125019 |
| | 1970-10-31 | -0.146490 | 0.211438 | -0.140262 |

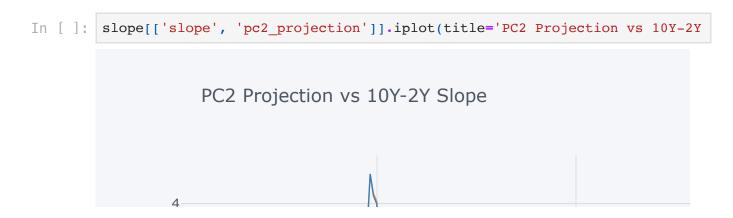
PC1: Curve Level via 10Y Yield

```
In [ ]: level = pd.DataFrame({'10Y': df[2.0],
                            'pc1_projection': df1_projections[0]})
         level.head()
Out[ ]:
                         10Y pc1_projection
              years:
         1970-01-31 8.700727
                                   1.102175
         1970-02-28 8.370748
                                  0.776345
         1970-03-31 7.795017
                                  0.306236
         1970-04-30 7.973522
                                  0.476186
         1970-05-31 7.862182
                                   0.114939
In [ ]: level.iplot(title='PC1 Projection vs 10Y Yield', secondary_y='pc1_project
```



PC2: Slope

```
In [ ]: # Calculate 10Y-2Y, typical measure of slope
         slope = pd.DataFrame(df)
         slope = slope[[2,10]]
         slope['slope'] = slope[10] - slope[2]
         slope['pc2_projection'] = - df1_projections[1] # here e2 demonstrated its
         slope.head()
Out[]:
                         2.0
                                  10.0
                                          slope pc2_projection
              years:
         1970-01-31 8.700727 8.279691 -0.421035
                                                     -0.509879
         1970-02-28 8.370748 8.049074 -0.321674
                                                     -0.488407
         1970-03-31 7.795017 7.845220
                                       0.050204
                                                     -0.330603
         1970-04-30 7.973522 8.041602
                                       0.068079
                                                     -0.291168
         1970-05-31 7.862182 7.630168 -0.232015
                                                     -0.418865
```



Correlation between the projection of PC2 and the slope of yield curve (10Y - 2Y) is near 1.

Confirms that the second principal component represents the slope type of movement.

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Addendum on Dot Product

```
In [ ]:
        # Sample dataset (10 rows x 3 columns) representing interest rates (3 ten
        rates_data = np.array([
            [0.038, 0.040, 0.045],
            [0.041, 0.042, 0.046],
            [0.044, 0.046, 0.048],
            [0.049, 0.048, 0.049],
            [0.046, 0.043, 0.047],
            [0.045, 0.044, 0.048],
            [0.047, 0.049, 0.046],
            [0.045, 0.047, 0.044],
            [0.039, 0.041, 0.050],
            [0.040, 0.043, 0.048]
         ])
        # Example single eigenvector (1 x 3 dimensions)
        eigenvector = np.array([[0.1, 0.2, 0.3]])
        # Perform dot product
        projected data = rates data.dot(eigenvector.T)
        print("\nEigenvector:")
        print(eigenvector)
        print("\nProjected Data: alike to 10 daily values of 1 projection")
        print(projected data)
```

```
Eigenvector:
        [[0.1 0.2 0.3]]
        Projected Data: alike to 10 daily values of 1 projection
        [[0.0253]
         [0.0263]
         [0.028]
         [0.0292]
         [0.0273]
         [0.0277]
         [0.0283]
         [0.0271]
         [0.0271]
         [0.027]]
In [ ]: # Now let's have 3 eigenvectors
        eigenvectors = np.array([
            [0.1, 0.2, 0.3],
             [0.2, 0.3, 0.1],
            [0.3, 0.1, 0.2]
        1)
        # Dot product with all 3 eigenvectors
        projected_data = rates_data.dot(eigenvectors.T)
        print("\nProjected Data: now we have 10 daily values of 3 projections")
        print(projected data)
        Projected Data: now we have 10 daily values of 3 projections
        [[0.0253 0.0241 0.0244]
         [0.0263 0.0254 0.0257]
         [0.028 0.0274 0.0274]
         [0.0292 0.0291 0.0293]
         [0.0273 0.0268 0.0275]
         [0.0277 0.027 0.0275]
         [0.0283 0.0287 0.0282]
         [0.0271 0.0275 0.027 ]
         [0.0271 0.0251 0.0258]
         [0.027 0.0257 0.0259]]
```