

# MACHINE LEARNING

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CHAPTER 6:

# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

# Why Reduce Dimensionality?

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- ❑ Reduces time complexity: Less computation
- ❑ Reduces space complexity: Fewer parameters
- ❑ Saves the cost of observing the feature
- ❑ Simpler models are more robust on small datasets
- ❑ More interpretable; simpler explanation
- ❑ Data visualization (structure, groups, outliers, etc) if plotted in 2 or 3 dimensions

# Feature Selection vs Extraction

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- Feature selection: Choosing  $k < d$  important features, ignoring the remaining  $d - k$

Subset selection algorithms

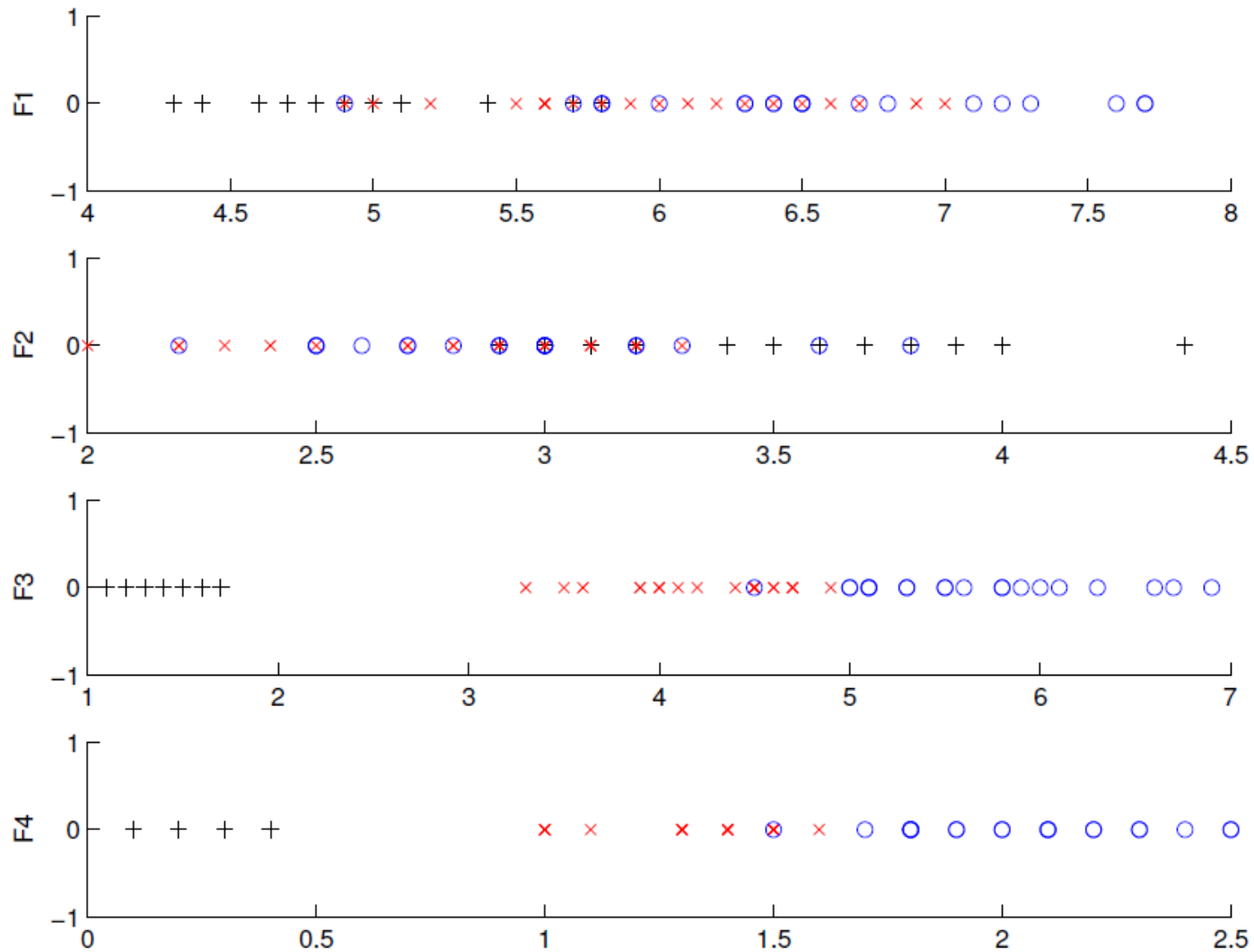
- Feature extraction: Project the original  $x_i, i = 1, \dots, d$  dimensions to new  $k < d$  dimensions,  $z_j, j = 1, \dots, k$

# Subset Selection

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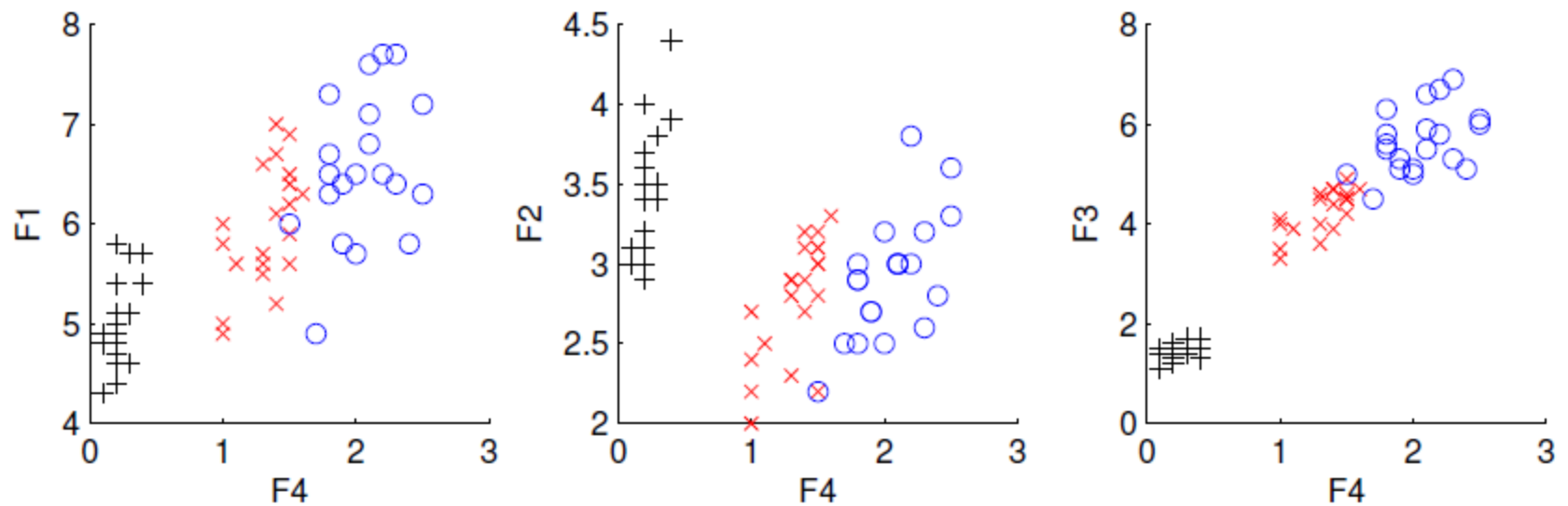
- There are  $2^d$  subsets of  $d$  features
- Forward search: Add the best feature at each step
  - ▣ Set of features  $F$  initially  $\emptyset$ .
  - ▣ At each iteration, find the best new feature
$$j = \operatorname{argmin}_i E ( F \cup x_i )$$
  - ▣ Add  $x_j$  to  $F$  if  $E ( F \cup x_j ) < E ( F )$
- Hill-climbing  $O(d^2)$  algorithm
- Backward search: Start with all features and remove one at a time, if possible.
- Floating search (Add  $k$ , remove  $l$ )

# Iris data: Single feature



Chosen

# Iris data: Add one more feature to F4



Chosen

# Principal Components Analysis

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- Find a low-dimensional space such that when  $\mathbf{x}$  is projected there, information loss is minimized.
- The projection of  $\mathbf{x}$  on the direction of  $\mathbf{w}$  is:  $z = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}$
- Find  $\mathbf{w}$  such that  $\text{Var}(z)$  is maximized

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(z) &= \text{Var}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}) = \text{E}[(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\mu})^2] \\ &= \text{E}[(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\mu})] \\ &= \text{E}[\mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{w}] \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T \text{E}[(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T] \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{w}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{w}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{Var}(\mathbf{x}) = \text{E}[(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$



- Maximize  $\text{Var}(z)$  subject to  $\|\mathbf{w}\|=1$

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_1} \mathbf{w}_1^T \Sigma \mathbf{w}_1 - \alpha (\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{w}_1 - 1)$$

$\Sigma \mathbf{w}_1 = \alpha \mathbf{w}_1$  that is,  $\mathbf{w}_1$  is an eigenvector of  $\Sigma$

Choose the one with the largest eigenvalue for  $\text{Var}(z)$  to be  
max

- Second principal component: Max  $\text{Var}(z_2)$ , s.t.,  
 $\|\mathbf{w}_2\|=1$  and orthogonal to  $\mathbf{w}_1$

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}_2} \mathbf{w}_2^T \Sigma \mathbf{w}_2 - \alpha (\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{w}_2 - 1) - \beta (\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{w}_1 - 0)$$

$\Sigma \mathbf{w}_2 = \alpha \mathbf{w}_2$  that is,  $\mathbf{w}_2$  is another eigenvector of  $\Sigma$   
and so on.

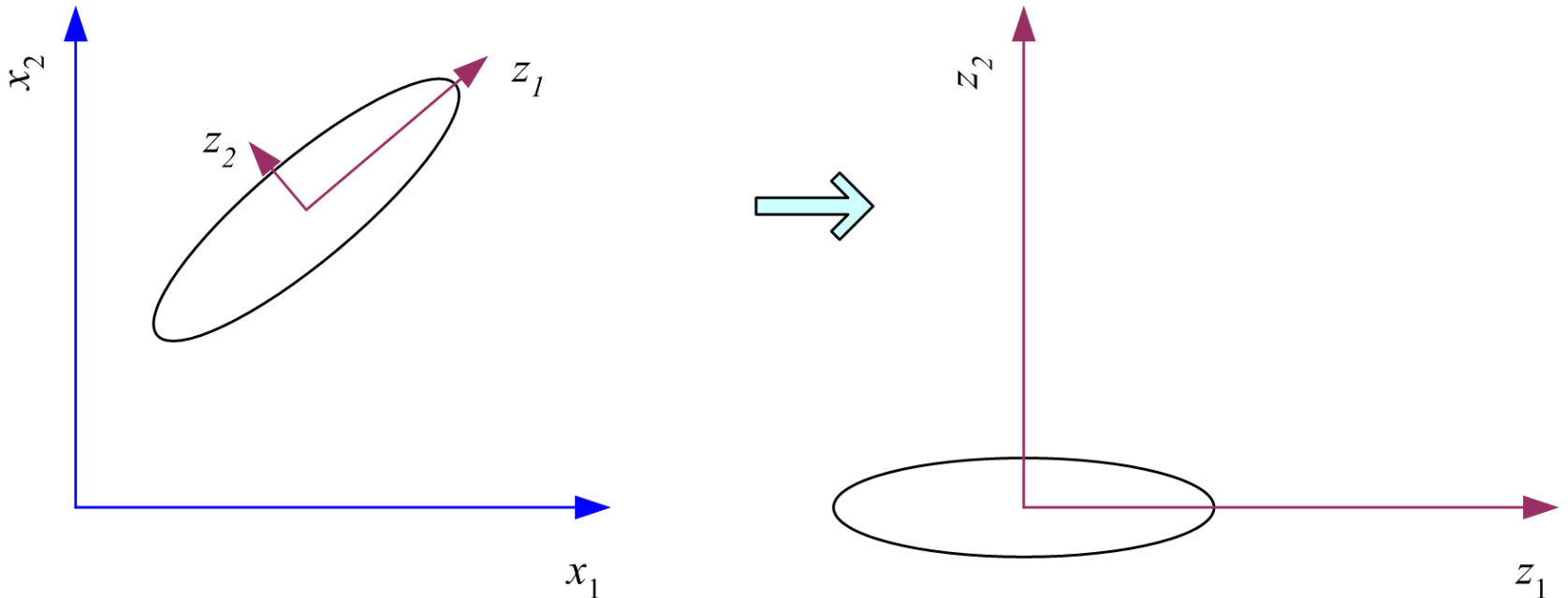
# What PCA does

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$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{W}^T(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{m})$$

where the columns of  $\mathbf{W}$  are the eigenvectors of  $\Sigma$  and  $\mathbf{m}$  is sample mean.

Centers the data at the origin and rotates the axes



# How to choose k ?

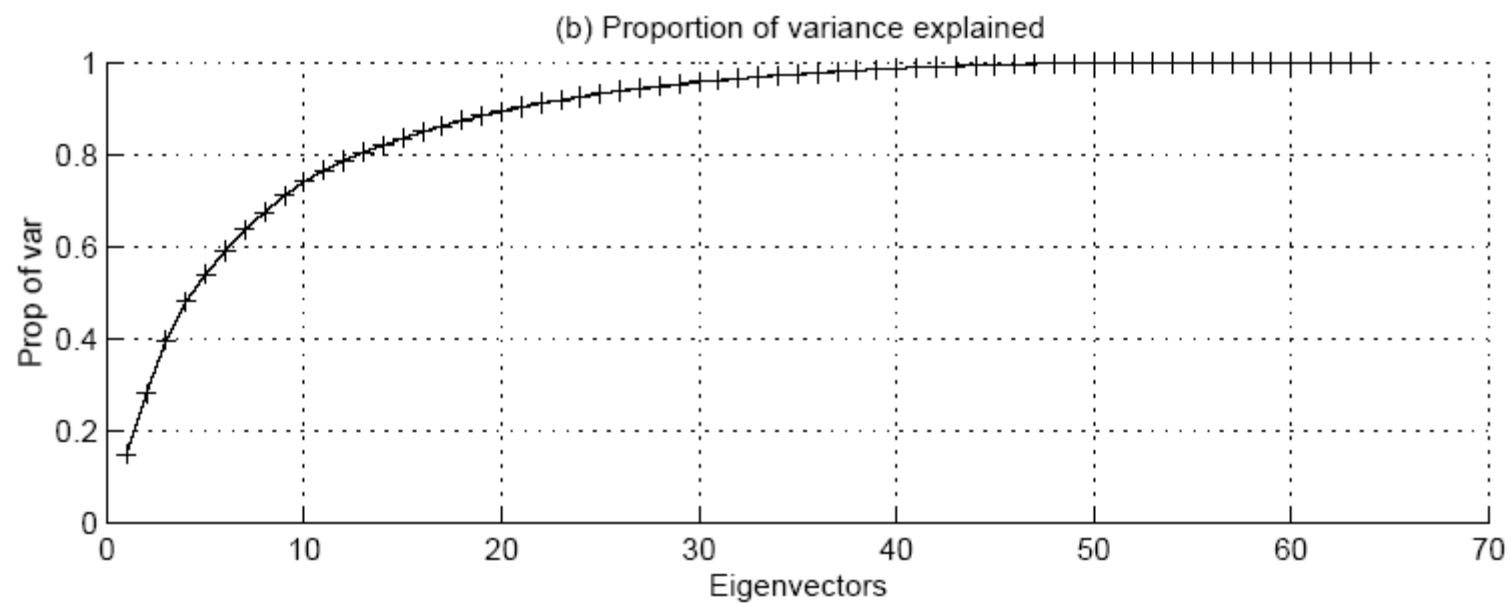
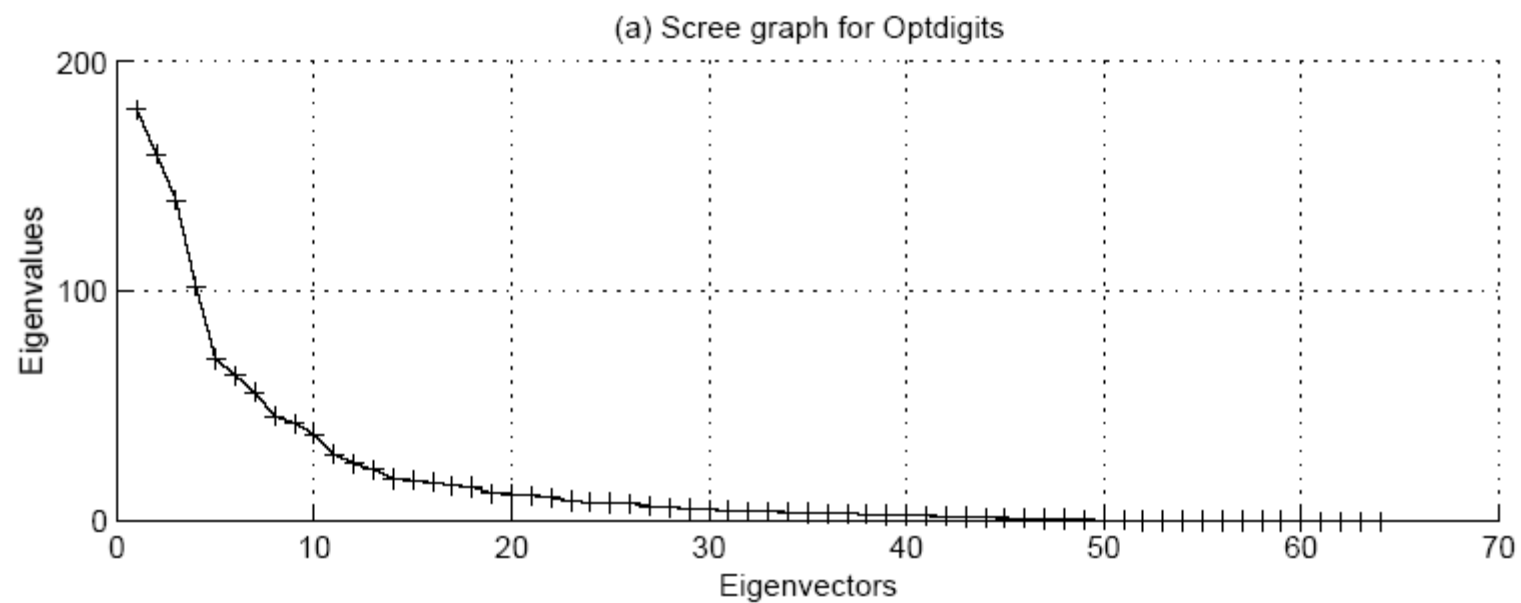
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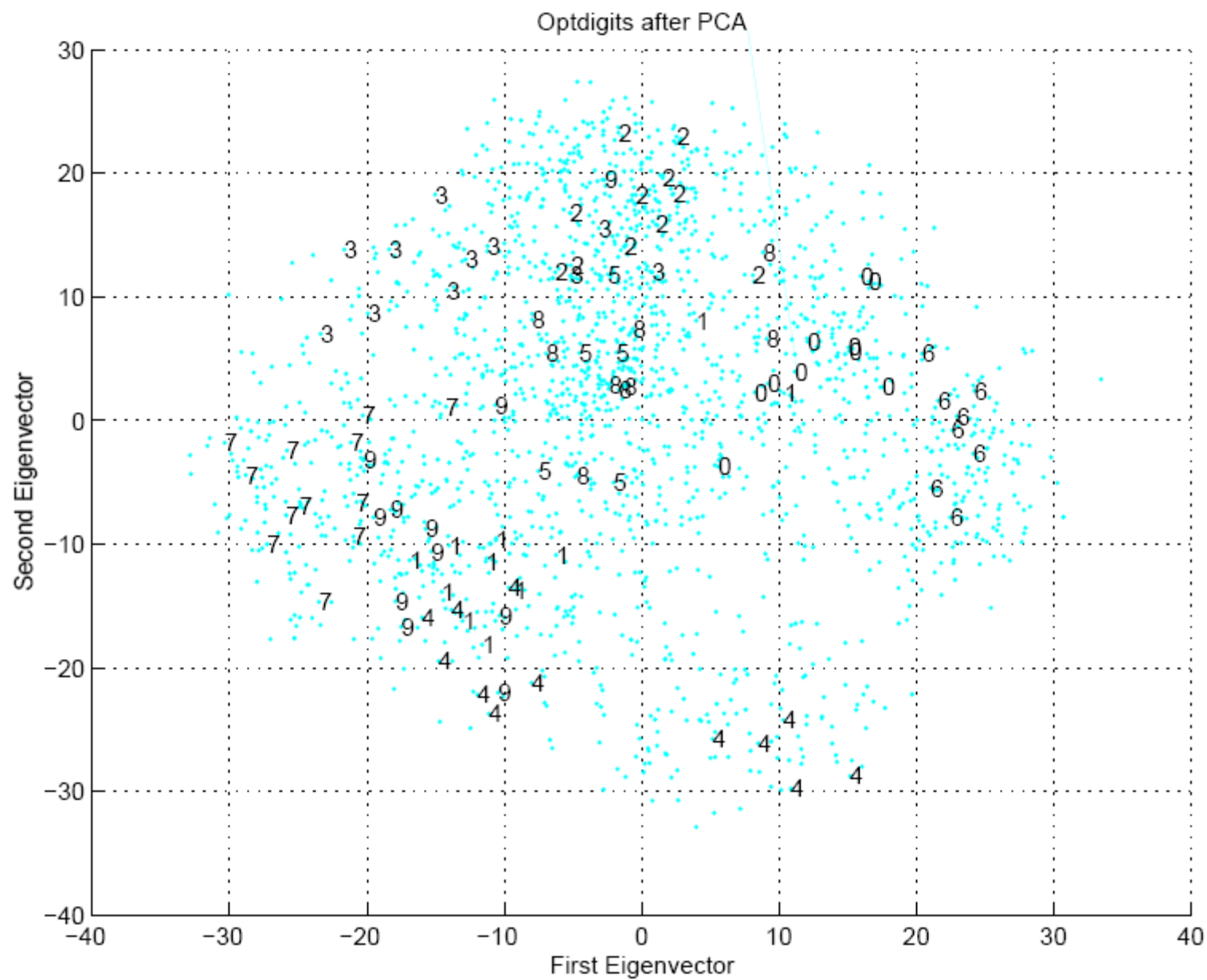
- Proportion of Variance (PoV) explained

$$\frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_k}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_k + \dots + \lambda_d}$$

when  $\lambda_i$  are sorted in descending order

- Typically, stop at  $\text{PoV} > 0.9$
- Scree graph plots of PoV vs  $k$ , stop at “elbow”





# Feature Embedding

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- When  $\mathbf{X}$  is the  $N \times d$  data matrix,  
 $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$  is the  $d \times d$  matrix (covariance of features, if mean-centered)  
 $\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T$  is the  $N \times N$  matrix (pairwise similarities of instances)
- PCA uses the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$  which are  $d$ -dim and can be used for projection
- Feature embedding uses the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T$  which are  $N$ -dim and which give directly the coordinates after projection
- Sometimes, we can define pairwise similarities (or distances) between instances, then we can use feature embedding without needing to represent instances as vectors.

# Factor Analysis

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- Find a small number of factors  $\mathbf{z}$ , which when combined generate  $\mathbf{x}$  :

$$x_i - \mu_i = v_{i1}z_1 + v_{i2}z_2 + \dots + v_{ik}z_k + \varepsilon_i$$

where  $z_j, j = 1, \dots, k$  are the latent factors with

$$E[z_j] = 0, \text{Var}(z_j) = 1, \text{Cov}(z_i, z_j) = 0, i \neq j,$$

$\varepsilon_i$  are the noise sources

$$E[\varepsilon_i] = \psi_i, \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0, i \neq j, \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, z_j) = 0,$$

and  $v_{ij}$  are the factor loadings

# PCA vs FA

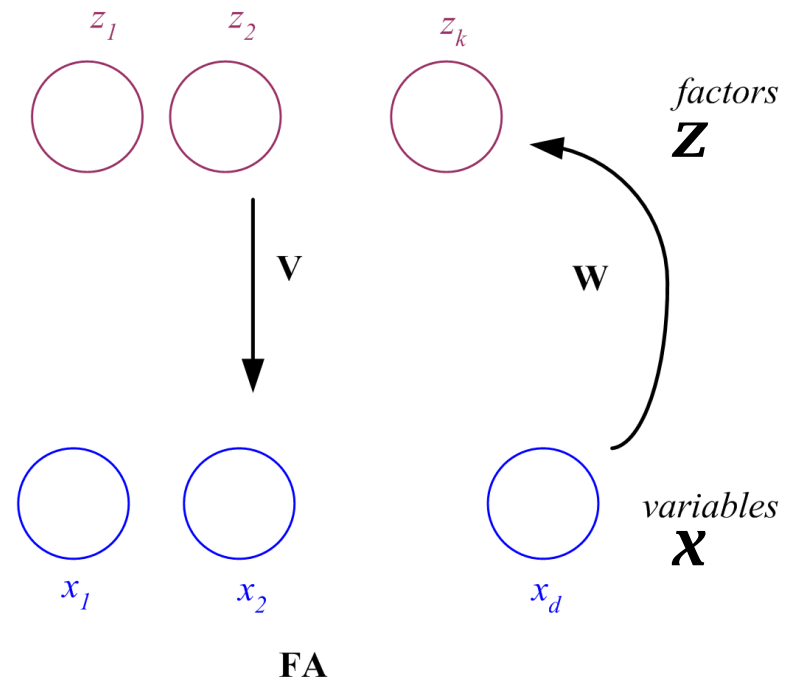
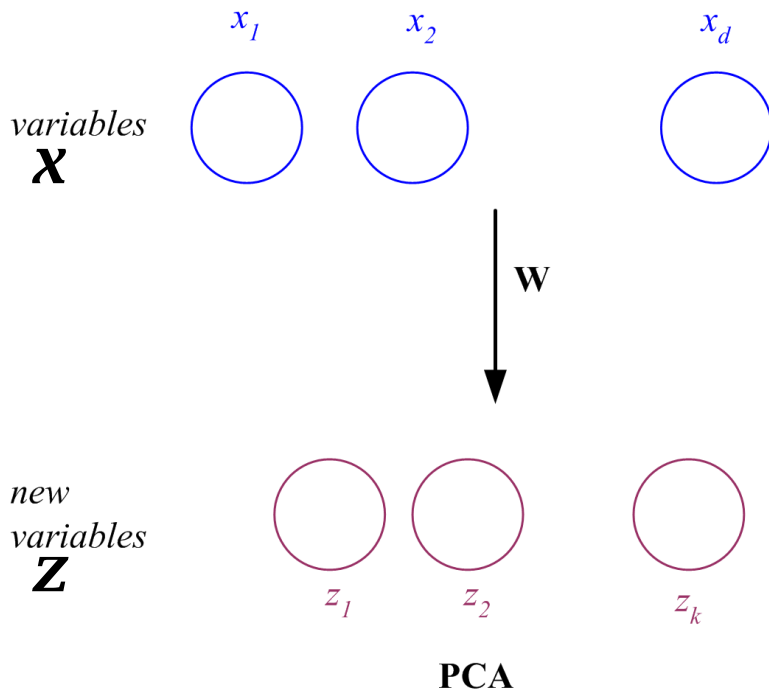
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□ PCA      From  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\mathbf{z}$

□ FA      From  $\mathbf{z}$  to  $\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{W}^T(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

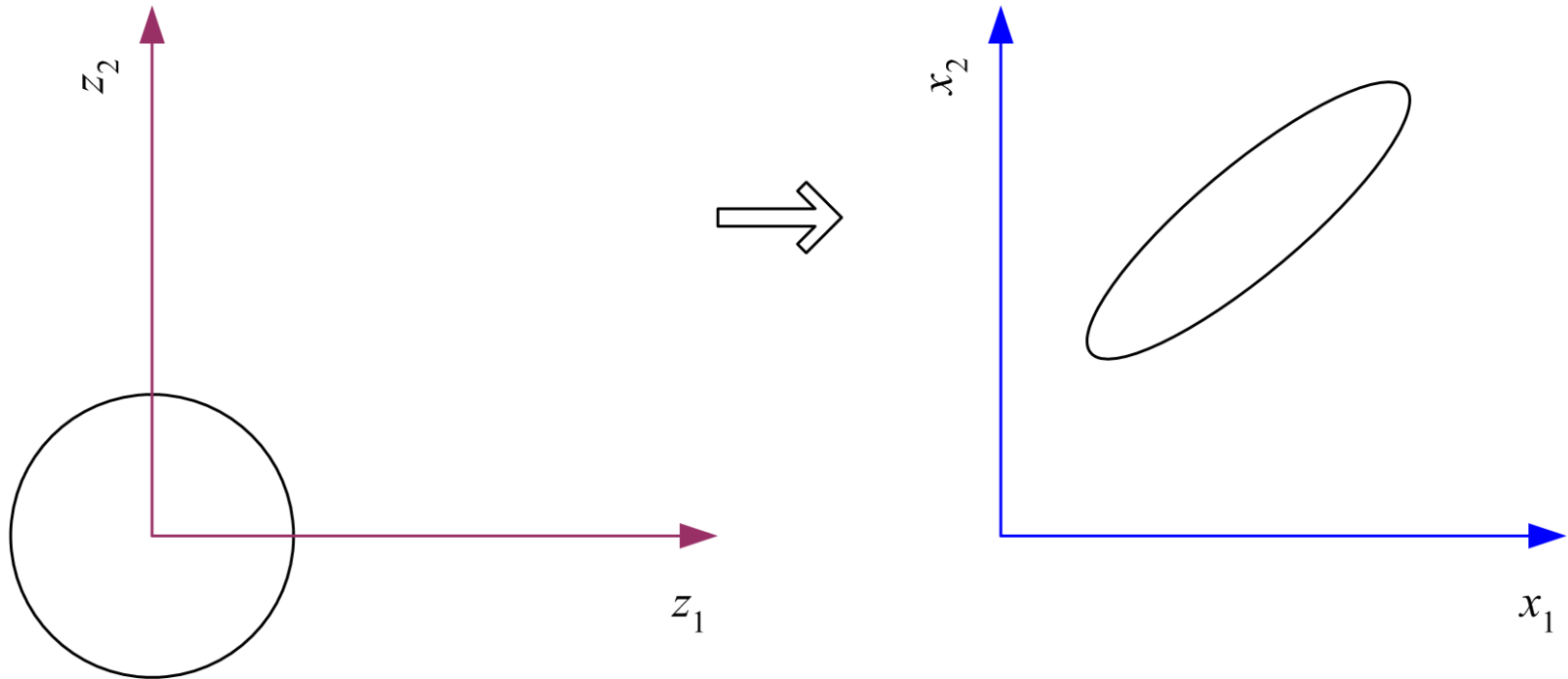




# Factor Analysis

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- In FA, factors  $z_i$  are stretched, rotated and translated to generate  $x$



# Singular Value Decomposition and Matrix Factorization

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□ Singular value decomposition:  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{W}^T$

$\mathbf{V}$  is  $N \times N$  and contains the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T$

$\mathbf{W}$  is  $d \times d$  and contains the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$

and  $\mathbf{A}$  is  $N \times d$  and contains singular values on its first  $k$  diagonal

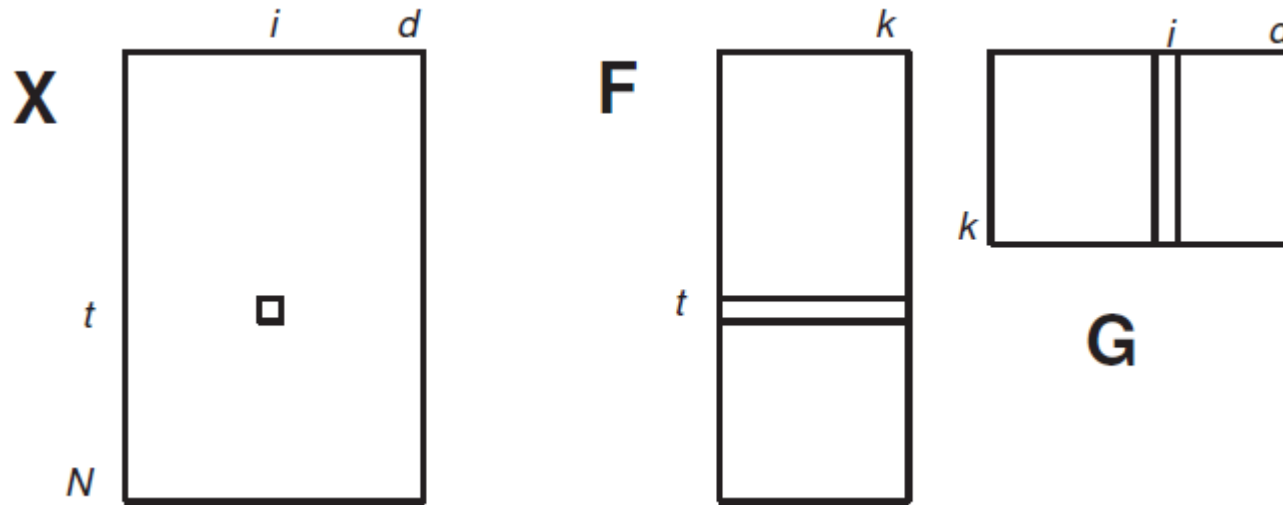
□  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{u}_1 a_1 \mathbf{v}_1^T + \dots + \mathbf{u}_k a_k \mathbf{v}_k^T$  where  $k$  is the rank of  $\mathbf{X}$

# Matrix Factorization

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□ Matrix factorization:  $X=FG$

$F$  is  $N \times k$  and  $G$  is  $k \times d$



$$X_{ti} = F_t^T G_i = \sum_{j=1}^k F_{tj} G_{ji}$$

*Latent semantic indexing*

# Multidimensional Scaling

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- Given pairwise distances between  $N$  points,

$$d_{ij}, i, j = 1, \dots, N$$

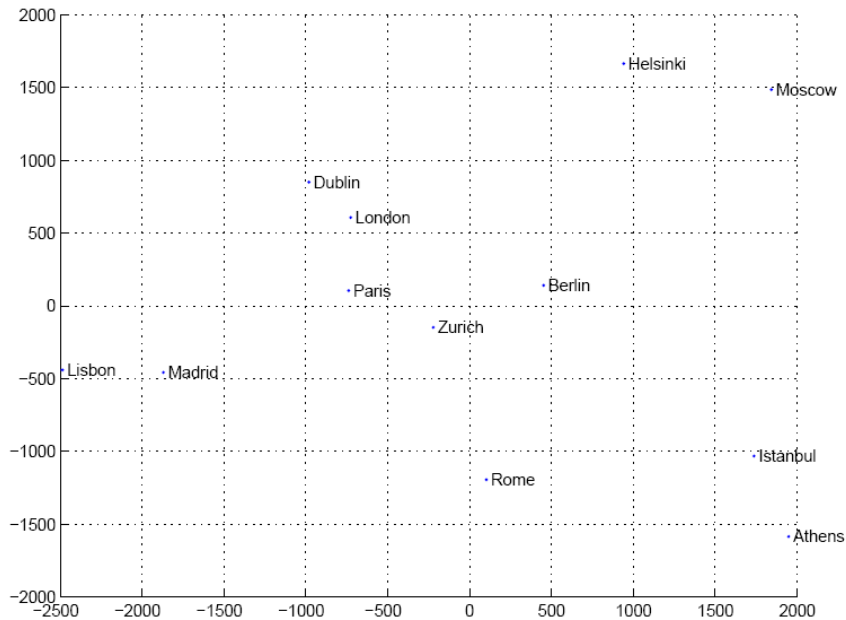
place on a low-dim map s.t. distances are preserved  
(by feature embedding)

- $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x} \mid \theta)$  Find  $\theta$  that min Sammon stress

$$\begin{aligned} E(\theta \mid \mathcal{X}) &= \sum_{r,s} \frac{\left( \|\mathbf{z}^r - \mathbf{z}^s\| - \|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\| \right)^2}{\|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\|^2} \\ &= \sum_{r,s} \frac{\left( \|\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^r \mid \theta) - \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x}^s \mid \theta)\| - \|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\| \right)^2}{\|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\|^2} \end{aligned}$$

# Map of Europe by MDS

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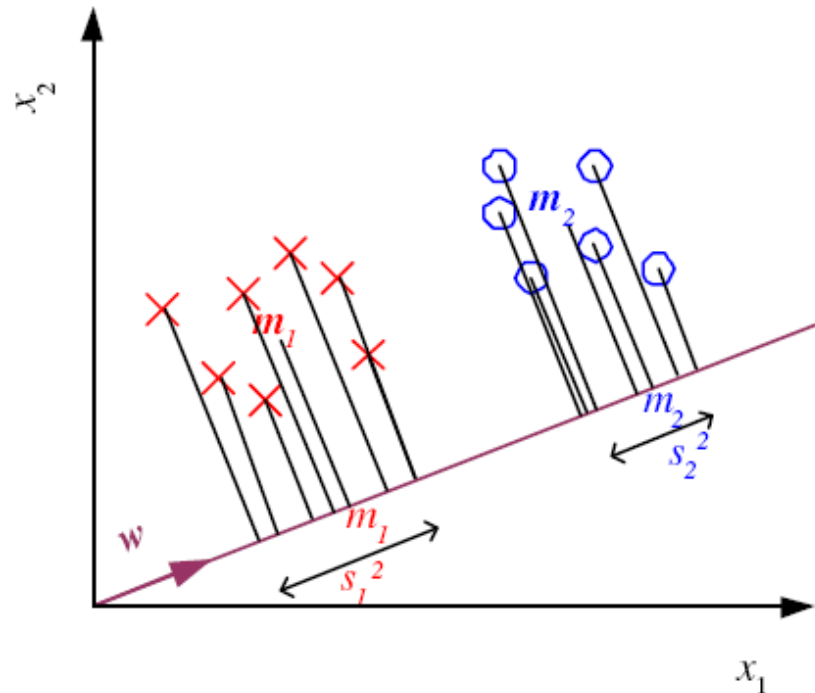
Map from CIA – The World Factbook: <http://www.cia.gov/>

# Linear Discriminant Analysis

- Find a low-dimensional space such that when  $\mathbf{x}$  is projected, classes are well-separated.
- Find  $\mathbf{w}$  that maximizes

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{(m_1 - m_2)^2}{s_1^2 + s_2^2}$$

$$m_1 = \frac{\sum_t \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t r^t}{\sum_t r^t} \quad s_1^2 = \sum_t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t - m_1)^2 r^t$$



□ Between-class scatter:

$$\begin{aligned}(m_1 - m_2)^2 &= (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{m}_2)^2 \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2) (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)^T \mathbf{w} \\ &= \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w} \text{ where } \mathbf{S}_B = (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2) (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)^T\end{aligned}$$

□ Within-class scatter:

$$\begin{aligned}s_1^2 &= \sum_t (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}^t - m_1)^2 r^t \\ &= \sum_t \mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_1) (\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_1)^T \mathbf{w} r^t = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{w}\end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{S}_1 = \sum_t (\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_1) (\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_1)^T r^t$

$$s_1^2 + s_2^2 = \mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w} \text{ where } \mathbf{S}_W = \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2$$

# Fisher's Linear Discriminant

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- Find  $\mathbf{w}$  that max

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}} = \frac{|\mathbf{w}^T (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)|^2}{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}}$$

- LDA soln:

$$\mathbf{w} = c \cdot \mathbf{S}_W^{-1} (\mathbf{m}_1 - \mathbf{m}_2)$$

- Parametric soln:

$$\mathbf{w} = \Sigma^{-1} (\mu_1 - \mu_2)$$

when  $p(\mathbf{x} | C_i) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \Sigma)$



# K > 2 Classes

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- Within-class scatter:

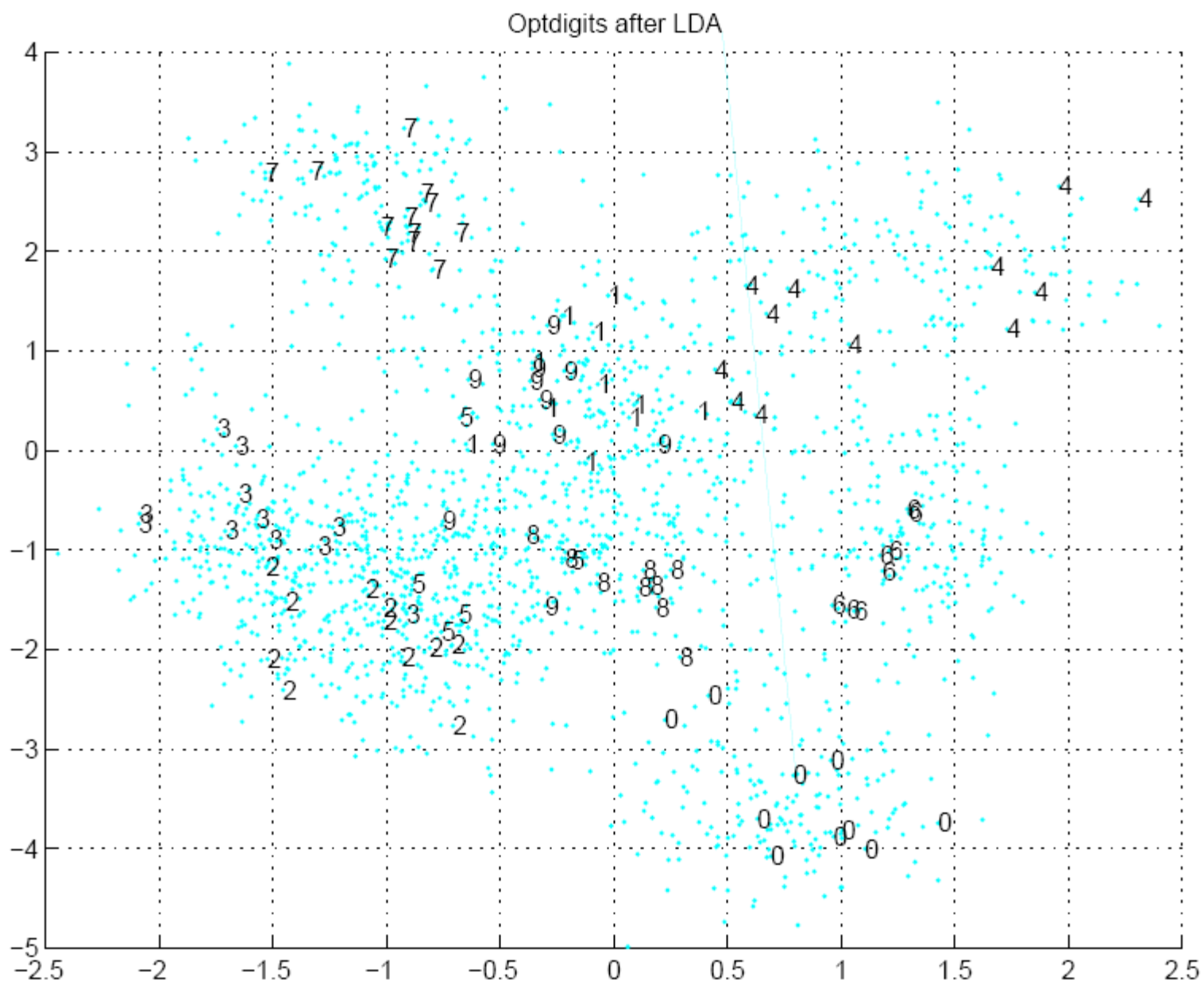
$$\mathbf{S}_W = \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{S}_i \quad \mathbf{S}_i = \sum_t r_i^t (\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_i)(\mathbf{x}^t - \mathbf{m}_i)^T$$

- Between-class scatter:

$$\mathbf{S}_B = \sum_{i=1}^K N_i (\mathbf{m}_i - \mathbf{m})(\mathbf{m}_i - \mathbf{m})^T \quad \mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \mathbf{m}_i$$

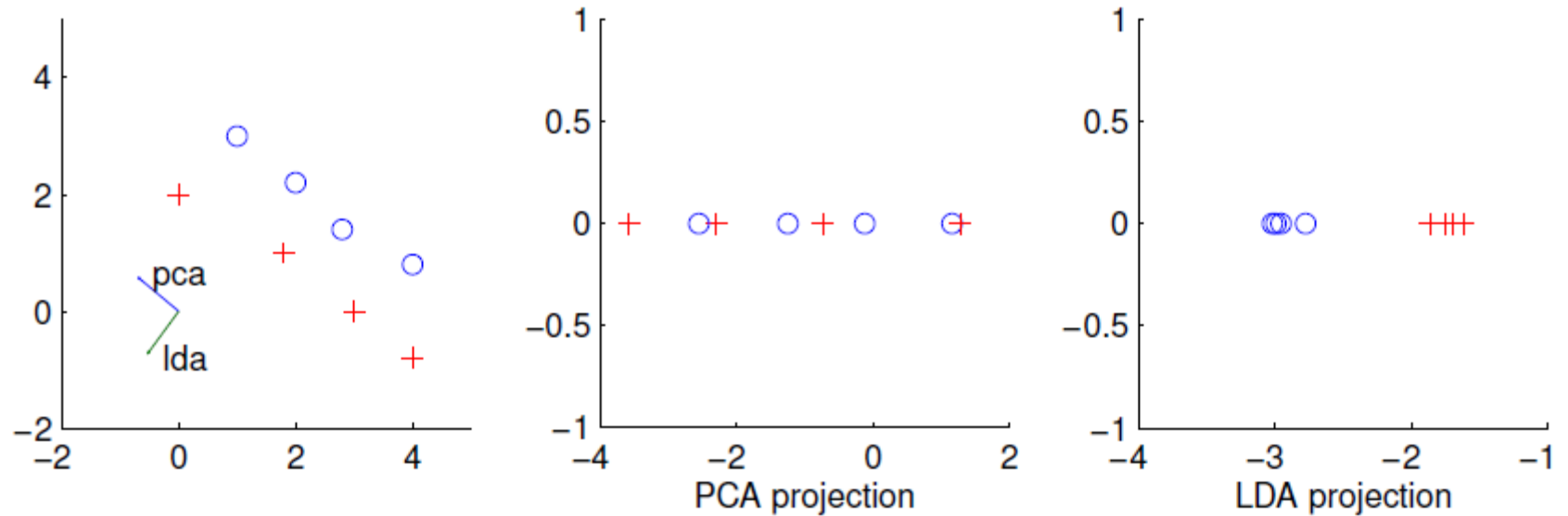
- Find  $\mathbf{W}$  that max  $J(\mathbf{W}) = \frac{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{W}|}{|\mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{W}|}$

The largest eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{S}_W^{-1} \mathbf{S}_B$ , maximum rank of  $K-1$



# PCA vs LDA

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# Canonical Correlation Analysis

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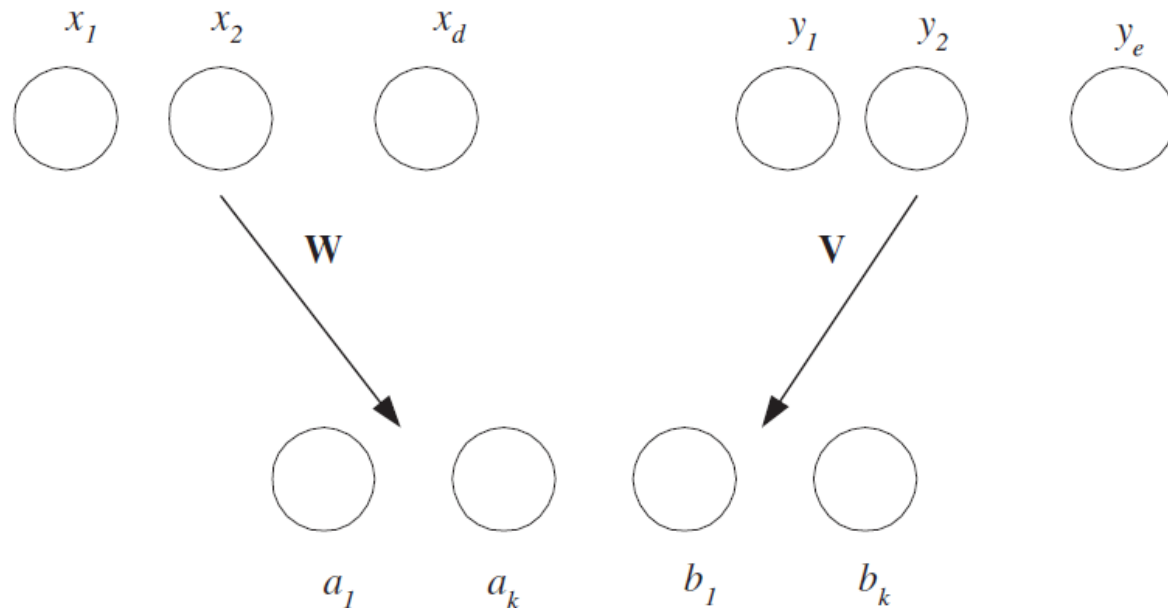
- $X = \{\mathbf{x}^t, \mathbf{y}^t\}_t$ ; two sets of variables  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$
- We want to find two projections  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  st when  $\mathbf{x}$  is projected along  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$  is projected along  $\mathbf{v}$ , the correlation is maximized:

$$\begin{aligned}\rho &= \text{Corr}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y}) = \frac{\text{Cov}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y})}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x})} \sqrt{\text{Var}(\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{y})}} \\ &= \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \text{Cov}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mathbf{v}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{w}^T \text{Var}(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{w}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^T \text{Var}(\mathbf{y}) \mathbf{v}}} = \frac{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_{xy} \mathbf{v}}{\sqrt{\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{S}_{xx} \mathbf{w}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{S}_{yy} \mathbf{v}}}\end{aligned}$$

# CCA

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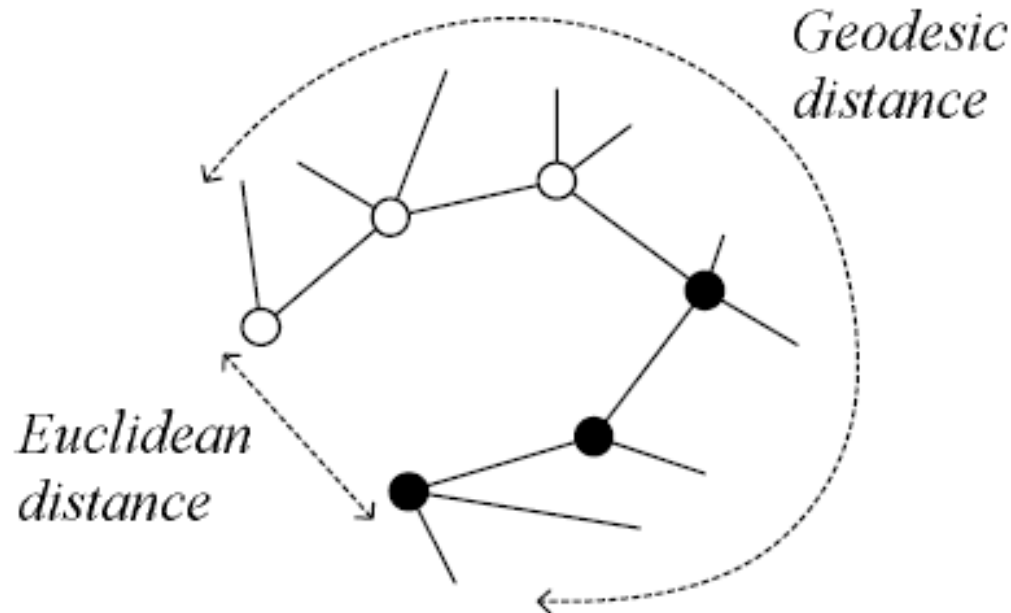
- $x$  and  $y$  may be two different views or modalities; e.g., image and word tags, and CCA does a joint mapping



# Isomap

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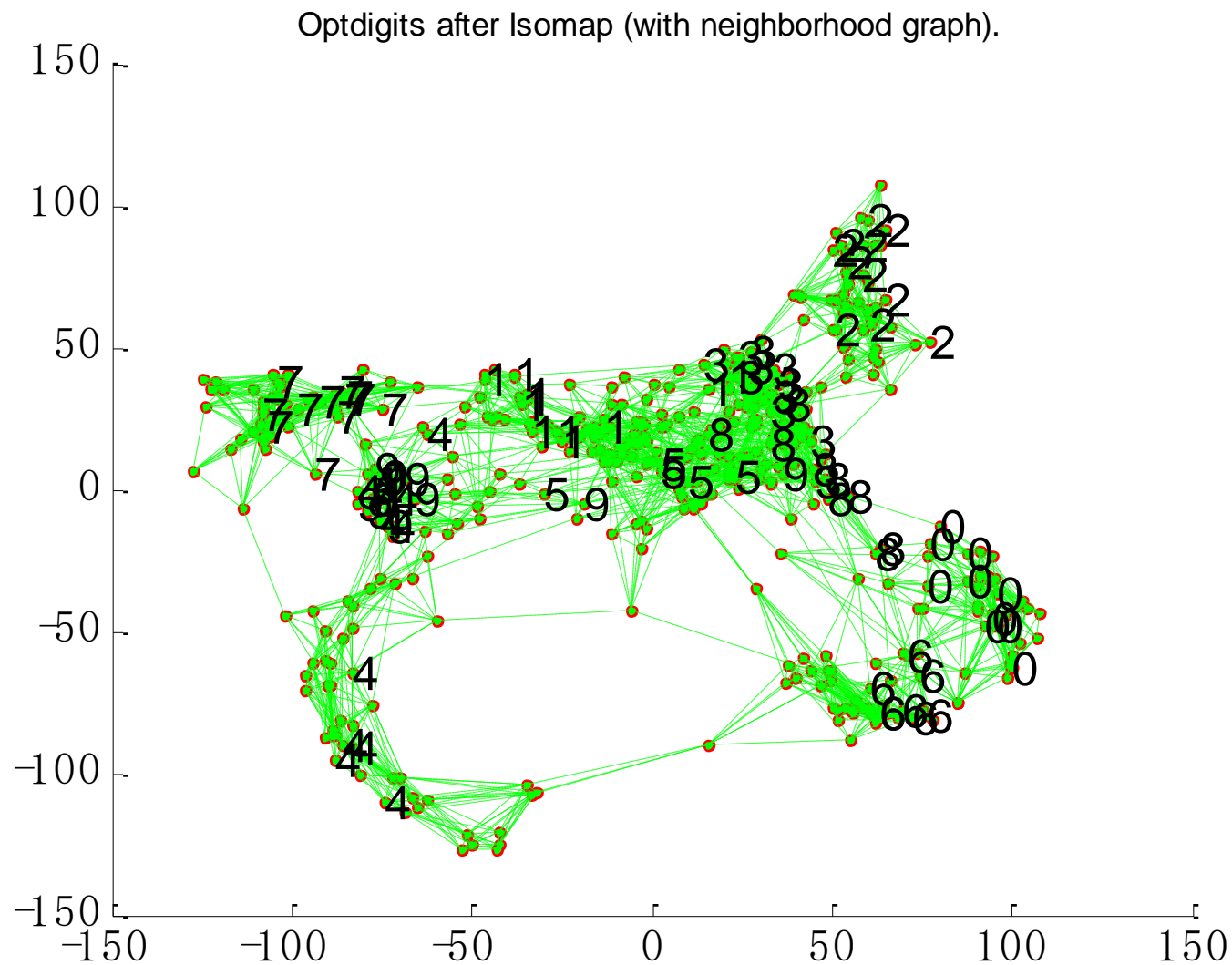
- Geodesic distance is the distance along the manifold that the data lies in, as opposed to the Euclidean distance in the input space



# Isomap

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- Instances  $r$  and  $s$  are connected in the graph if  $\|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\| < \epsilon$  or if  $\mathbf{x}^s$  is one of the  $k$  neighbors of  $\mathbf{x}^r$   
The edge length is  $\|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\|$
- For two nodes  $r$  and  $s$  not connected, the distance is equal to the shortest path between them
- Once the  $N \times N$  distance matrix is thus formed, use MDS to find a lower-dimensional mapping



Matlab source from <http://web.mit.edu/cocosci/isomap/isomap.html>



# Locally Linear Embedding

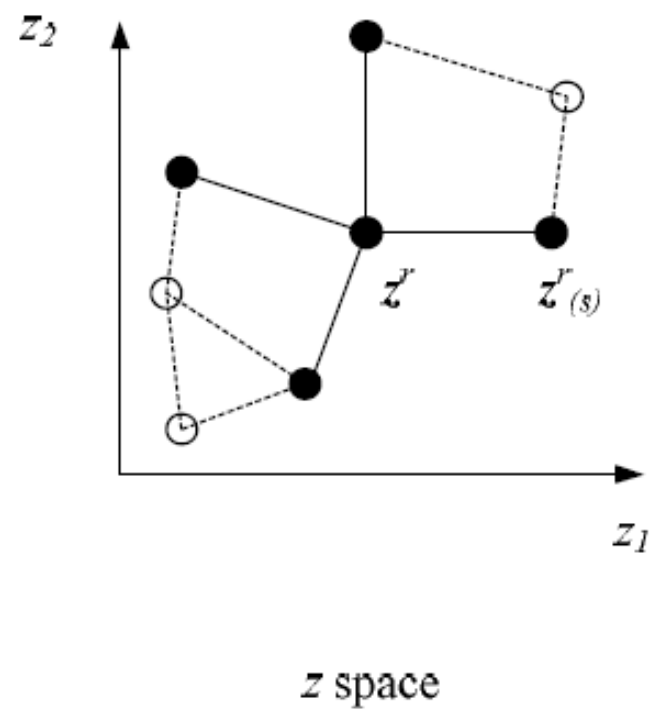
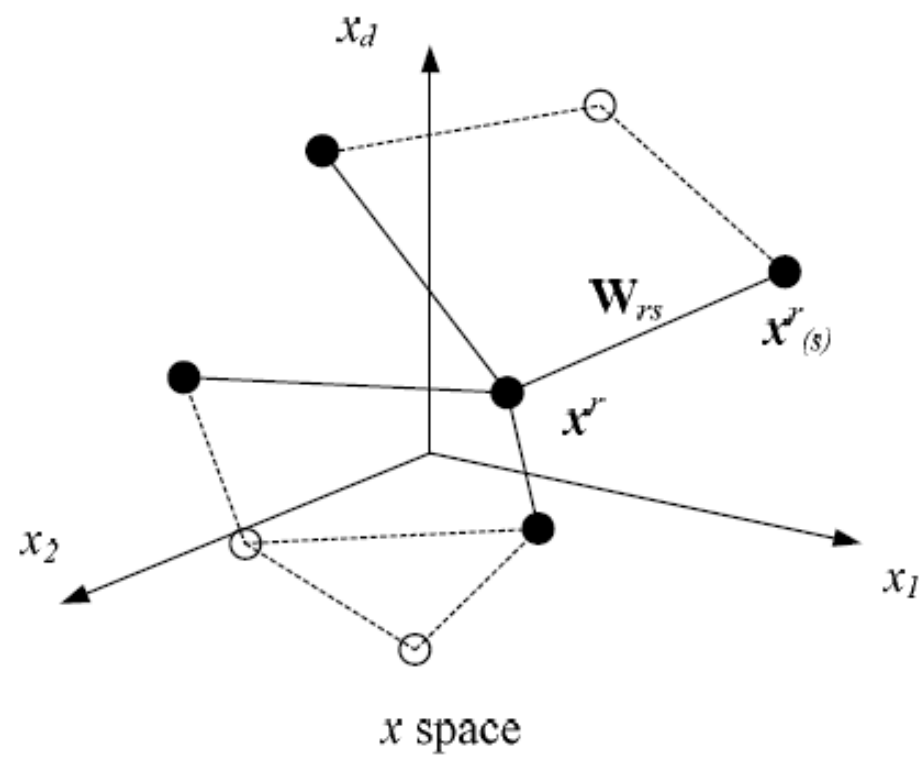
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1. Given  $\mathbf{x}^r$  find its neighbors  $\mathbf{x}_{(r)}^s$
2. Find  $\mathbf{W}_{rs}$  that minimize

$$E(\mathbf{W} | X) = \sum_r \left\| \mathbf{x}^r - \sum_s \mathbf{W}_{rs} \mathbf{x}_{(r)}^s \right\|^2$$

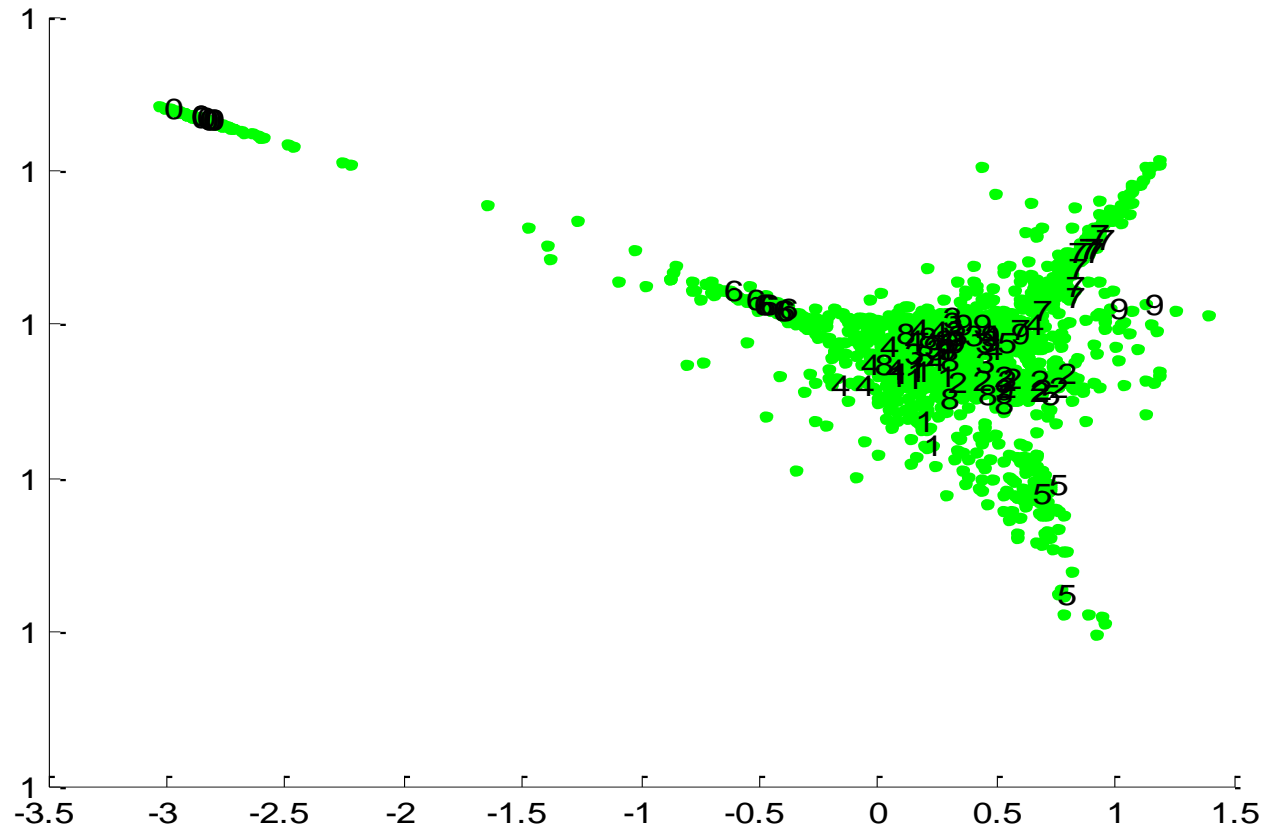
3. Find the new coordinates  $\mathbf{z}^r$  that minimize

$$E(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{W}) = \sum_r \left\| \mathbf{z}^r - \sum_s \mathbf{W}_{rs} \mathbf{z}_{(r)}^s \right\|^2$$



# LLE on Optdigits

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Matlab source from <http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~roweis/lle/code.html>

# Laplacian Eigenmaps

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- Let  $r$  and  $s$  be two instances and  $B_{rs}$  is their similarity, we want to find  $\mathbf{z}^r$  and  $\mathbf{z}^s$  that

$$\min \sum_{r,s} \|\mathbf{z}^r - \mathbf{z}^s\|^2 B_{rs}$$

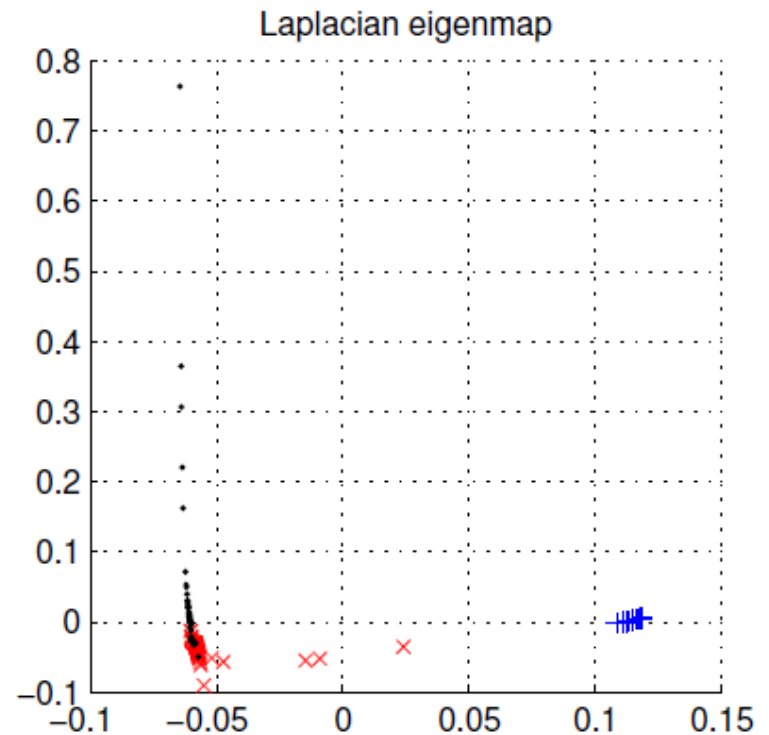
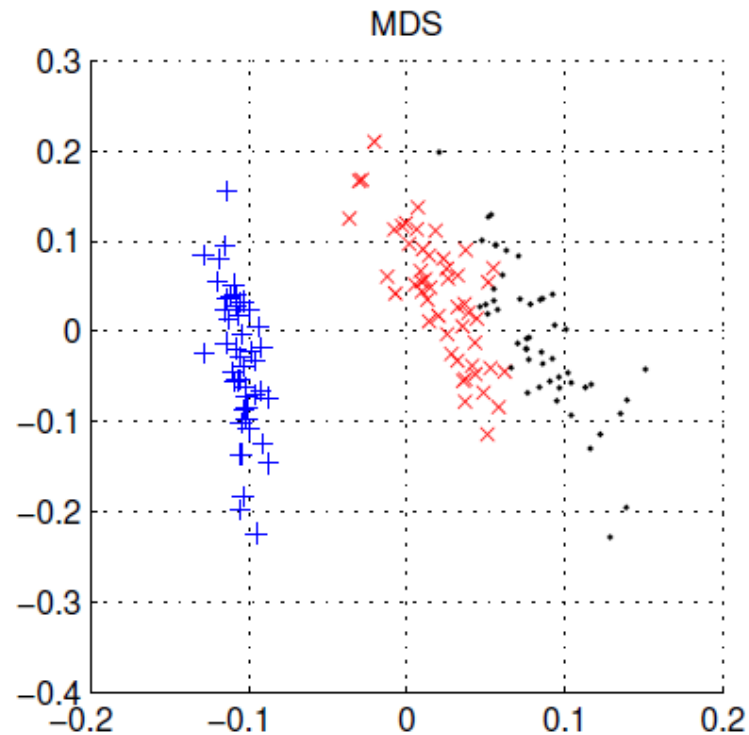
- $B_{rs}$  can be defined in terms of similarity in an original space: 0 if  $\mathbf{x}^r$  and  $\mathbf{x}^s$  are too far, otherwise

$$B_{rs} = \exp \left[ -\frac{\|\mathbf{x}^r - \mathbf{x}^s\|^2}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

- Defines a graph Laplacian, and feature embedding returns  $\mathbf{z}^r$

# Laplacian Eigenmaps on Iris

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*Spectral clustering (chapter 7)*

*Questions?*