

Lecture 37

Principal component analysis (PCA)

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Agenda

- ① Sea Surface Temperatures Example
- ② Principal component analysis (PCA)
- ③ Principal Component Regression



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Example: Monthly Sea Surface Temperatures



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Sea Surface Temperatures and Anomalies

- The “data” are gridded at a 2° by 2° resolution from $124^\circ E - 70^\circ W$ and $30^\circ S - 30^\circ N$. The dimension of this SST data set is
2303 (number of grid points in space) \times
552 (monthly time series from 1970 Jan. to 2015 Dec.)
- Sea-surface temperature anomalies are the temperature differences from the climatology (i.e. long-term monthly mean temperatures)
- We will demonstrate the use of Empirical Orthogonal Function (EOF) analysis to uncover the low-dimensional structure of this spatio-temporal data set



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The Empirical Orthogonal Function (EOF) Decomposition

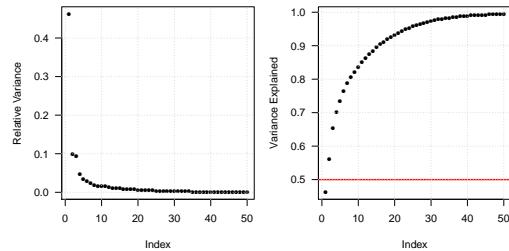
Two parts:

- Basis functions – spatial fields in the SST example
 - Basis functions determined in an optimal way (in terms of least square) from the same data \Rightarrow “empirical”
- Coefficients – monthly time series in the SST example
 - Coefficients found by least squares



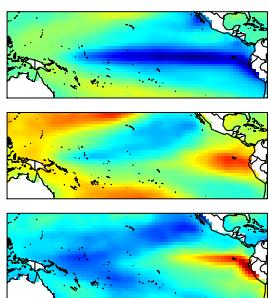
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Screen Plot for EOFs



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The First 3 EOFs



EOF1: The classic ENSO pattern

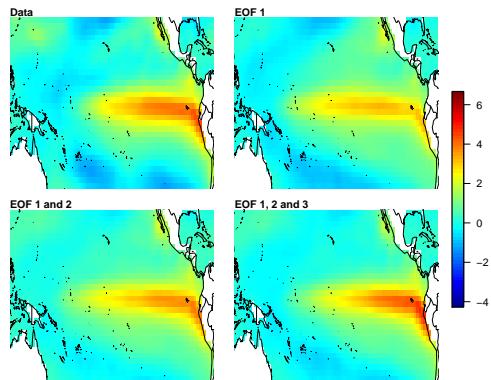
EOF2: A modulation of the center

EOF3: Messing with the coast of SA and the Northern Pacific.



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1998 Jan El Niño Event



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Principal Component Analysis

Given a random sample from a p -dimensional random vector $X_i = \{X_{1,i}, X_{2,i}, \dots, X_{p,i}\}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$

- Dimension reduction technique
 - Large number of variables (p)
 - Number of variables (p) may be greater than number of observations (n)
- Create new, uncorrelated variables for the follow up analysis
 - Principal Component Regression
 - Interpretation of new variables?



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Finding Principal Components

Principal Components (PC) are uncorrelated linear combinations $\tilde{X}_1, \tilde{X}_2, \dots, \tilde{X}_p$ determined sequentially, as follows:

- ① The first PC is the linear combination $\tilde{X}_1 = c_1^T X = \sum_{i=1}^p c_{1i} X_i$ that maximize $\text{Var}(\tilde{X}_1)$ subject to $c_1^T c_1 = 1$
- ② The second PC is the linear combination $\tilde{X}_2 = c_2^T X = \sum_{i=1}^p c_{2i} X_i$ that maximize $\text{Var}(\tilde{X}_2)$ subject to $c_1^T c_2 = 1$ and $c_2^T c_1 = 0$
- ⋮
- ③ The j_{th} PC is the linear combination $\tilde{X}_j = c_j^T X = \sum_{i=1}^p c_{ji} X_i$ that maximize $\text{Var}(\tilde{X}_j)$ subject to $c_j^T c_i = 1$ and $c_j^T c_k = 0 \forall k < j$



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Principal Components

- ④ Let Σ have eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs $(\lambda_i, e_i)_{i=1}^p$ with $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p \geq 0$. Then, the i_{th} principal component is given by

$$\tilde{X}_i = e_i^T X = e_{i1} X_1 + e_{i2} X_2 + \dots + e_{ip} X_p$$

- ⑤ Then,

$$\text{Var}(\tilde{X}_i) = \lambda_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, p$$

$$\text{Cov}(\tilde{X}_j, \tilde{X}_k) = 0, \quad \forall j \neq k$$



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PCA and Proportion of Variance Explained

- ⑥ It can be shown that

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \text{Var}(\tilde{X}_i) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_p = \sum_{i=1}^p \text{Var}(X_i)$$

- ⑦ The proportion of the total variance associated with the k_{th} principal component is given by

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

- ⑧ If a large proportion of the total population variance (say 80% or 90%) is explained by the first k PCs, then we can restrict attention to the first k PCs without much loss of information

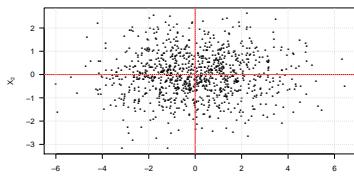


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Toy Example 1

Suppose we have $X = (X_1, X_2)^T$ where $X_1 \sim N(0, 4)$, $X_2 \sim N(0, 1)$ are independent

- Total variation = $\text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2) = 5$
- X_1 axis explains 80% of total variation
- X_2 axis explains the remaining 20% of total variation



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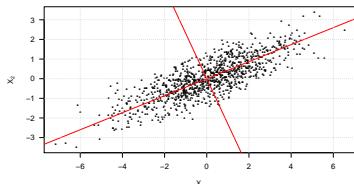
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Toy Example 2

Suppose we have $X = (X_1, X_2)^T$ where $X_1 \sim N(0, 4)$, $X_2 \sim N(0, 1)$ and $\text{Cor}(X_1, X_2) = 0.8$

- Total variation
= $\text{Var}(X_1) + \text{Var}(X_2) = \text{Var}(\tilde{X}_1) + \text{Var}(\tilde{X}_2) = 5$
- $\tilde{X}_1 = .9175X_1 + .3975X_2$ explains 93.9% of total variation
- $\tilde{X}_2 = .3975X_1 - .9175X_2$ explains the remaining 6.1% of total variation



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Longley's Economic Regression Data

We are going to use Longley's data set, which provides a well-known example of multicollinearity, to illustrate Principal Component Regression

	GNP	Unemployed	Armed.Fforces	Population	Year	Employed
GNP	1.00	0.60	0.45	0.99	1.00	0.98
Unemployed	0.60	1.00	-0.18	0.69	0.67	0.50
Armed.Fforces	0.45	-0.18	1.00	0.36	0.42	0.46
Population	0.99	0.69	0.36	1.00	0.99	0.96
Year	1.00	0.67	0.42	0.99	1.00	0.97
Employed	0.98	0.50	0.46	0.96	0.97	1.00

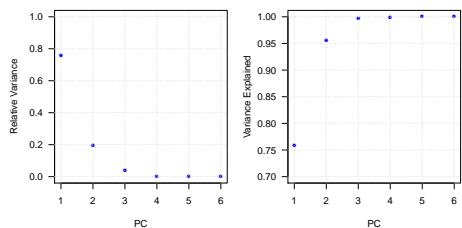
GNP	Unemployed	Armed.Fforces	Population	Year
14350.70398	601.69137	98.18754	558.11084	22897.44840
Employed				
1064.78369				

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How Many PCs to Use?



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Principal Component Regression in R

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# Fit model
pcrFit<-pcr(employed ~ ., data = longley, validation = "cv")
# Summarize the fit
summary(pcrFit)
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Data: X dimension: 16 6
Y dimension: 1 1
Fit method: svdpc
Number of components considered: 6
TRAINING % variance explained
  1 comps  2 comps  3 comps  4 comps  5 comps  6 comps
X       64.95    94.90    99.99   100.00   100.00   100.00
Employed 78.42    89.73    98.51    99.96    98.89    99.99
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