

# Factor Analysis

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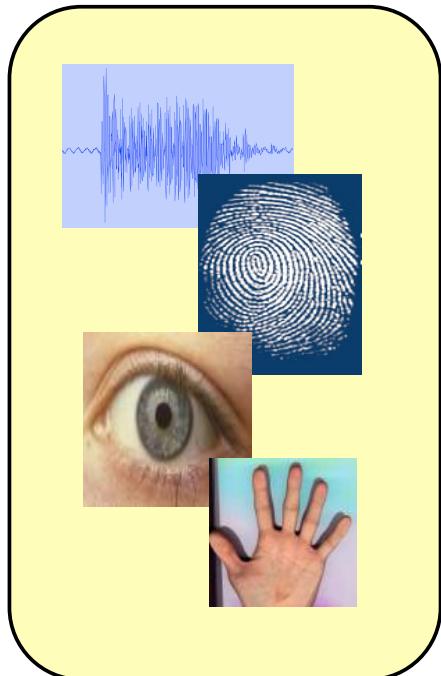
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# Introduction

Problem: Lots of data with n-dimensions vectors.

Example:



$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & \cdots & a_{1P} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} & \cdots & a_{2P} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} & \cdots & a_{3P} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{N1} & a_{N2} & a_{N3} & \cdots & a_{NP} \end{bmatrix} \quad P \gg 1$$

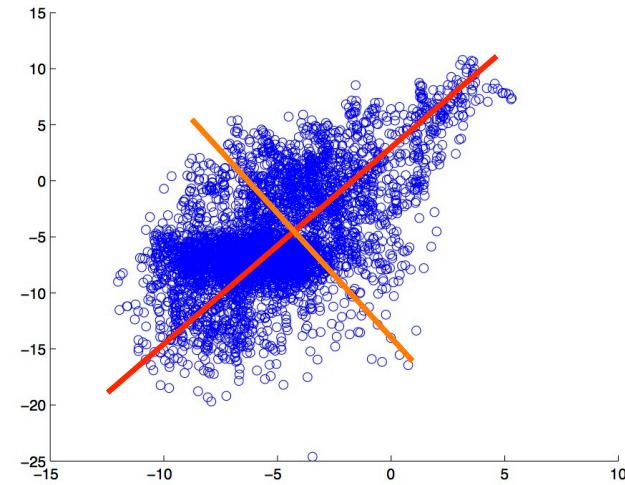
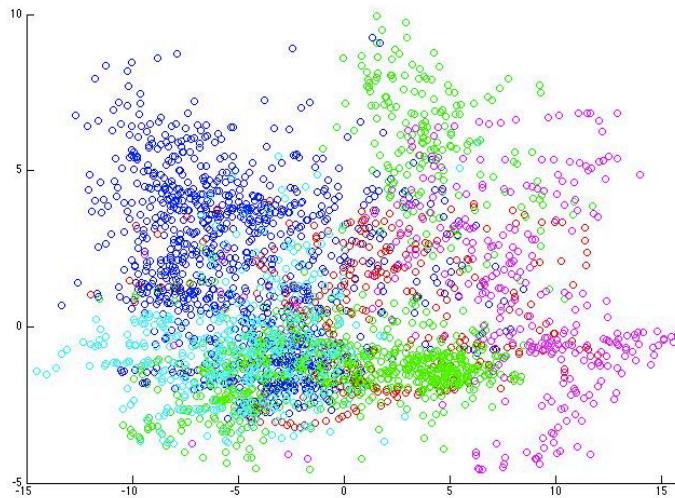
Feature Vectors

Can we reduce the number of dimensions? To reduce computing time, simplify process?

YES! ☺

# Introduction: Covariance matrix

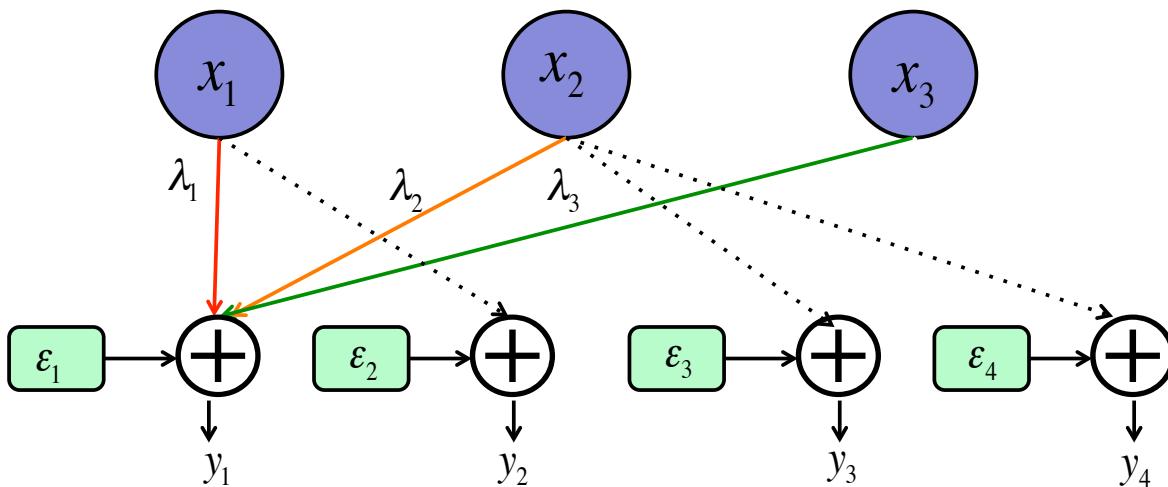
- What can give us information of the data? (Just for this special case)
  - The covariance matrix
  - Get rid of not important information.
  - Think of continuous factors that control the data.



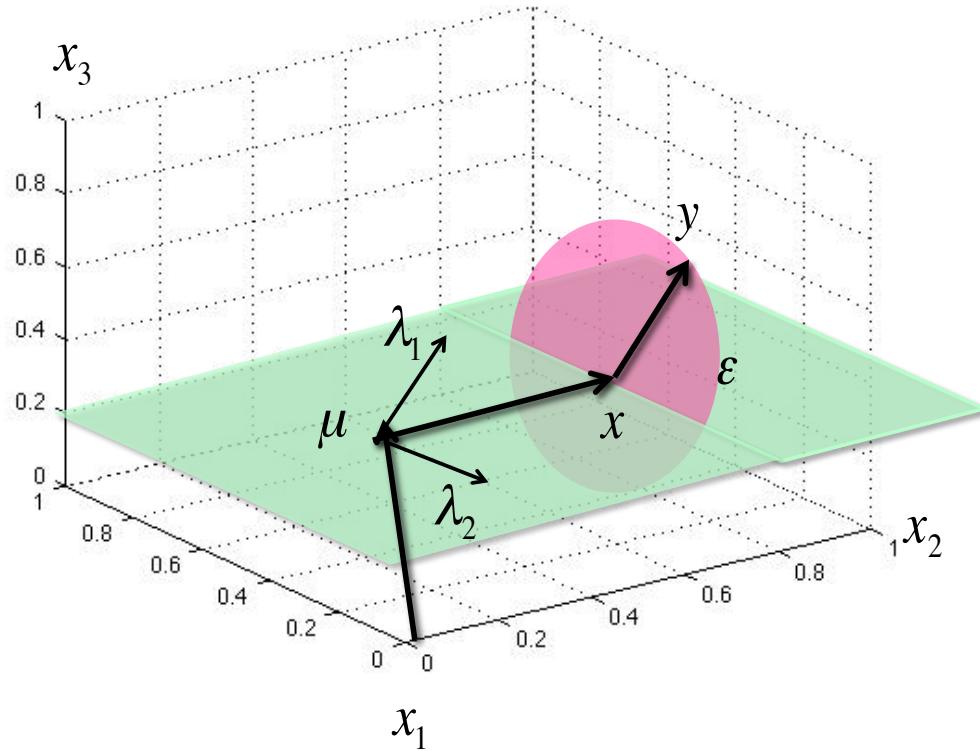
# Factor Analysis (FA)

What is Factor Analysis?

- Analysis of the covariance in observed variables ( $Y$ ).
- In terms of few (latent) common factors.
- Plus a specific error



# Factor Analysis (FA): Geometrical Representation



# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

## Form

$$y - \mu = \Lambda x + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \Lambda x + \varepsilon$$

$y \rightarrow P \times 1$  data vector

$\mu \rightarrow P \times 1$  mean vector

$\Lambda \rightarrow P \times R$  loading Matrix

$x \rightarrow R \times 1$  factor vector

$\varepsilon \rightarrow P \times 1$  error vector

## Assumptions

$$E(x) = E(\varepsilon) = 0$$

$$E(\Lambda \Lambda^T) = I$$

$$E(\varepsilon \varepsilon^T) = \psi = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \psi_{PP} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E(y, x) = \Lambda$$

$$\Sigma = E(yy^T) = \Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi \text{ Full rank!!}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

Now that we have checked the matrices dimensions.

The model:

$$p(x) = N(x|0, I)$$

$$p(y|x, \theta) = N(y|\mu + \Lambda x, \Psi)$$

Quick notes:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p(x, y) \\ p(y) \\ p(x|y) \end{array} \right\} \text{Are Gaussians!!}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

Now, we can compute:

$$p(y|\theta) = \int_x p(x)p(y|x,\theta)dx = N(y|u, \Lambda\Lambda^T + \Psi)$$

This marginal is... a Gaussian!!

Compute the expected value and covariance.

$$E(y) = E(\mu + \Lambda x + \varepsilon) = E(\mu) + \Lambda E(x) + E(\varepsilon) = \mu$$

$$\text{Cov}(y) = E[(y - \mu)(y - \mu)^T]$$

$$= E[(\mu + \Lambda x + \varepsilon - \mu)(\mu + \Lambda x + \varepsilon - \mu)^T] = E[(\Lambda x + \varepsilon)(\Lambda x + \varepsilon)^T]$$

$$= \Lambda E[x x^T] \Lambda^T + E[\varepsilon \varepsilon^T] = \Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

So, factor analysis is a constrained covariance Gaussian Model!!

$$p(y|\theta) = N(y|\mu, \Lambda\Lambda^T + \Psi)$$

So, what is the covariance?

$$\text{cov}(y) = \begin{matrix} \Lambda & \Lambda^T \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} \psi_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \psi_{PP} \end{matrix}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

How can we compute the likelihood function?

$$\ell(\theta, D) = -\frac{N}{2} \log |\Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (y^n - \mu)^T (\Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi)^{-1} (y^n - \mu)$$

$$\ell(\theta, D) = -\frac{N}{2} \log |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \Sigma^{-1} \sum_n (y^n - \mu)(y^n - \mu)^T \right)$$

$$\ell(\theta, D) = -\frac{N}{2} \log |\Sigma| - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} (\Sigma^{-1} S)$$

$S$  is the sample data covariance Matrix.

Conclusion:

Constrained model close to the Sample covariance!

# Factor Analysis (FA): Formulation (the equations)

So we need sufficient statistics...

mean:  $\sum_n y^n$

covariance:  $\sum_n (y^n - \mu)(y^n - \mu)^T$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

- How to estimate  $\mu$  ?
  - Just compute the mean of the data.
  
- For the rest of the parameters  $\Lambda, \Psi$  ?
  - Expectation Maximization

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

- Advantages
  - Focuses on maximizing the likelihood
- Disadvantages
  - Need to know the distribution
  - No analytical solution

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Remember EM algorithm?

- E-step:

$$q_n^{t+1} = p(x^n | y^n, \theta^t)$$

- M-step

$$\theta^{t+1} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} \sum_n \int_x q_n^{t+1}(x^n | y^n) \log p(y^n, x^n | \theta) dx^n$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

What do we need?

- E-step:

Conditional probability!!!

$$q_n^{t+1} = p(x^n | y^n, \theta^t) = N(x^n | m^n, \Sigma^n)$$

- M-step:

Log of the complete data for:

$$\Lambda^{t+1} = \underset{\Lambda}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_n \ell(x^n, y^n) \Big|_{q_n^{t+1}}$$

$$\Psi^{t+1} = \underset{\Psi}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_n \ell(x^n, y^n) \Big|_{q_n^{t+1}}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

What else is needed?  $p(x|y)$

Let's start with:

$$p\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = N\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \mu \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} I & \Lambda^T \\ \Lambda & \Lambda\Lambda^T + \Psi \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

Remember that,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(x, y) &= E((x - 0)(y - u)^T) = E\left(x(\mu + \Lambda x + \varepsilon - u)^T\right) \\ &= E\left(x(\Lambda x + \varepsilon)^T\right) = \boxed{\Lambda^T} \end{aligned}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Now,

$$p(x|y) = N(x|m, V)$$

$$m = \Lambda (\Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi)^{-1} (y - u)$$

$$V = I - \Lambda^T (\Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi)^{-1} \Lambda$$

Remember inversion lemma?

Remembering Gaussian conditioning formulas

$$p(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix}) = \mathcal{N}\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} \mid \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_1, \Sigma_{11})$$

$$p(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{x}_2) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_1|\mathbf{m}_{1|2}, \mathbf{V}_{1|2})$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{1|2} = \mu_1 + \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_2 - \mu_2)$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{1|2} = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21}$$

$$\Sigma^{-1} = (\Lambda \Lambda^T + \Psi)^{-1} = \Psi^{-1} + \Psi^{-1} \Lambda (I + \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} \Lambda)^{-1} \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1}$$

Inverting this matrix is much more efficient  $O(MP)$  instead of  $O(P^2)$ , thanks to the lemma.

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

We finally obtain:

$$p(x|y) = N(x|m, V)$$

$$V = (I - \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} \Lambda)^{-1}$$

$$m = V \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} (y - u)$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Some nice observations:

$$p(x|y) = N(x|m, V)$$

$$V = (I - \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} \Lambda)^{-1}$$

$$m = V \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} (y - u)$$

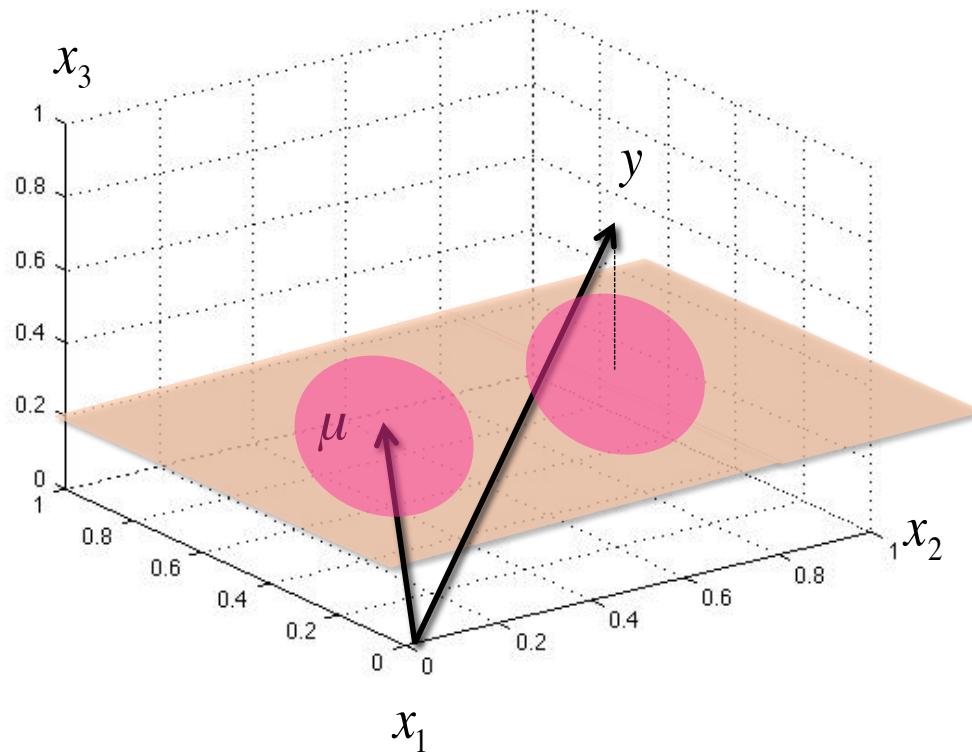
Means that the posterior mean is just a linear operation!!!

And the covariance does not depend on the observed data!!!

$$V = (I - \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} \Lambda)^{-1}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

How does it look?



# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Let's subtract the mean for our computation.

The likelihood for the complete data is:

$$\ell(\Lambda, \Psi) = \sum_n \log p(x^n, y^n)$$

$$\ell(\Lambda, \Psi) = \sum_n \log p(x^n) + \log p(x^n | y^n)$$

$$\ell(\Lambda, \Psi) = -\frac{N}{2} \log |\Psi| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_n x^T x - \frac{1}{2} \sum_n (y^n - \Lambda x^n)^T \Psi^{-1} (y^n - \Lambda x^n)$$

$$\boxed{\ell(\Lambda, \Psi) = -\frac{N}{2} \log |\Psi| - \frac{N}{2} \text{tr}(S \Psi^{-1})}$$

$$S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n (y^n - \Lambda x^n)^T (y^n - \Lambda x^n)$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Now, let's compute the M step! (Almost there!)

We need to calculate the derivatives of the log likelihood

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\Lambda, \Psi)}{\partial \Lambda} = -\Psi^{-1} \sum_n y_n x_n^T + \Psi^{-1} \Lambda \sum_n x_n x_n^T$$

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\Lambda, \Psi)}{\partial \Psi^{-1}} = \frac{N\Psi}{2} - \frac{NS}{2}$$

And the expectations with respect to  $q^t$

$$E[\ell'_{\Lambda}] = -\Psi^{-1} \sum_n y_n m_n^T + \Psi^{-1} \Lambda \sum_n V_n$$

$$E[\ell'_{\Psi^{-1}}] = \frac{N\Psi}{2} - \frac{N \cdot E[S]}{2}$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

Finally, set the derivatives to zero and solve!

$$\Lambda^{t+1} = \left( \sum_n y^n m^{nT} \right) \left( \sum_n V^n \right)^{-1}$$
$$\Psi^{t+1} = \frac{1}{N} \text{diag} \left( \sum_n y^n y^{nT} + \Lambda^{t+1} \sum_n m^n y^{nT} \right)$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Expectation Maximization

What are the final equations?

①  $\mu \rightarrow$  Sample mean (Subtract the mean from data).

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \text{E-step} \quad q_n^{t+1} = p(x^n | y^n, \theta^t) = N(x^n | m^n, V^n)$$

$$V^n = (I - \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} \Lambda)^{-1}$$

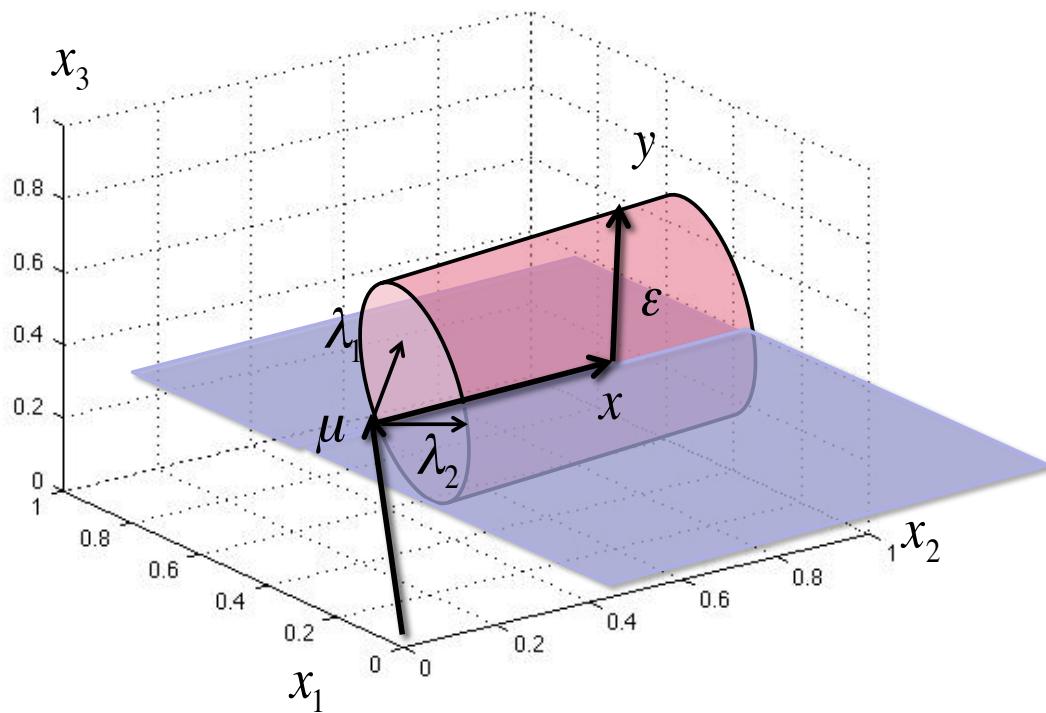
$$m^n = V^n \Lambda^T \Psi^{-1} (y - u)$$

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$$\Psi^{t+1} = \frac{1}{N} \text{diag} \left( \sum_n y^n y^{nT} + \Lambda^{t+1} \sum_n m^n y^{nT} \right)$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): Geometrical Representation

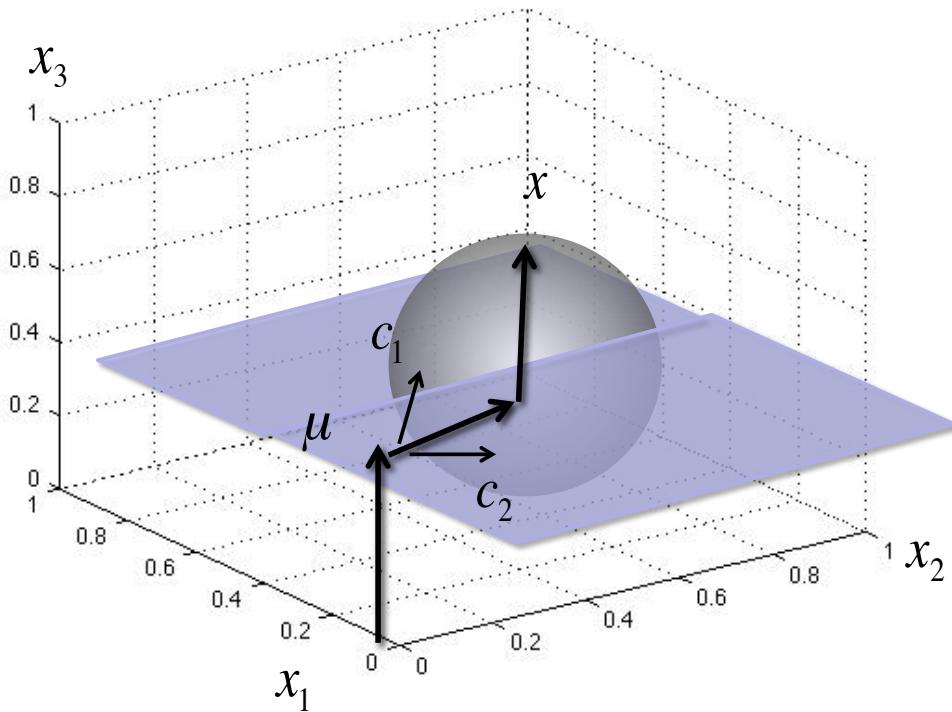
How does FA really look like?



# Factor Analysis (FA): Comparison

What is PPCA? Just a quick intuition.

$$p(x) = N(x|0, I) \quad p(y|x, \theta) = N(y|u + \Lambda x, \sigma^2 I)$$

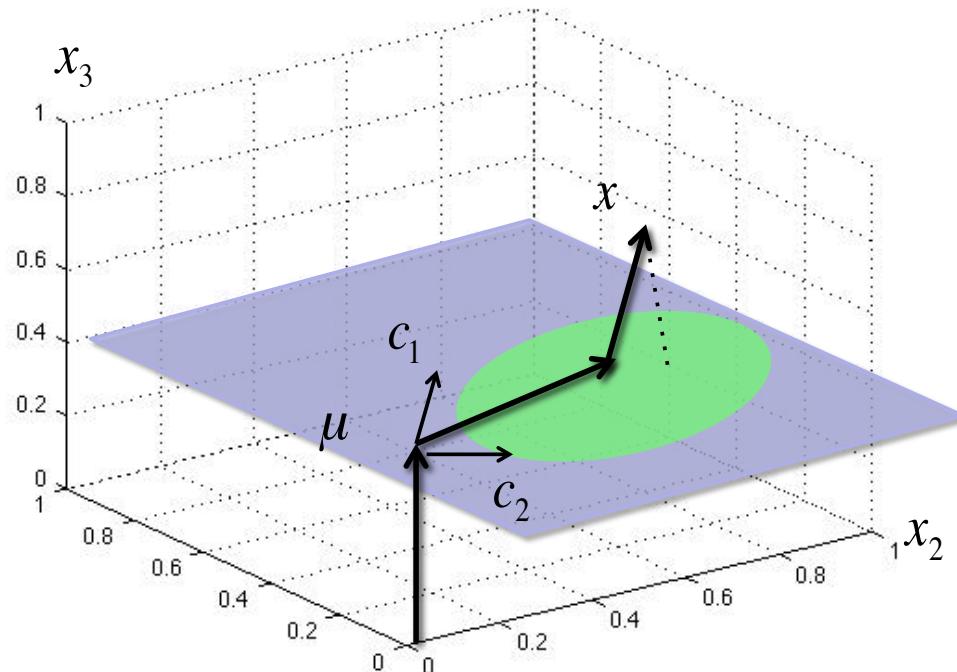


Nice, isn't it? ☺

# Factor Analysis (FA): Comparison

What about PCA? Just a quick intuition.

$$p(x) = N(x|0, I) \quad p(y|x, \theta) = N(y|u + \Lambda x, 0) \quad \sigma^2 \rightarrow 0$$

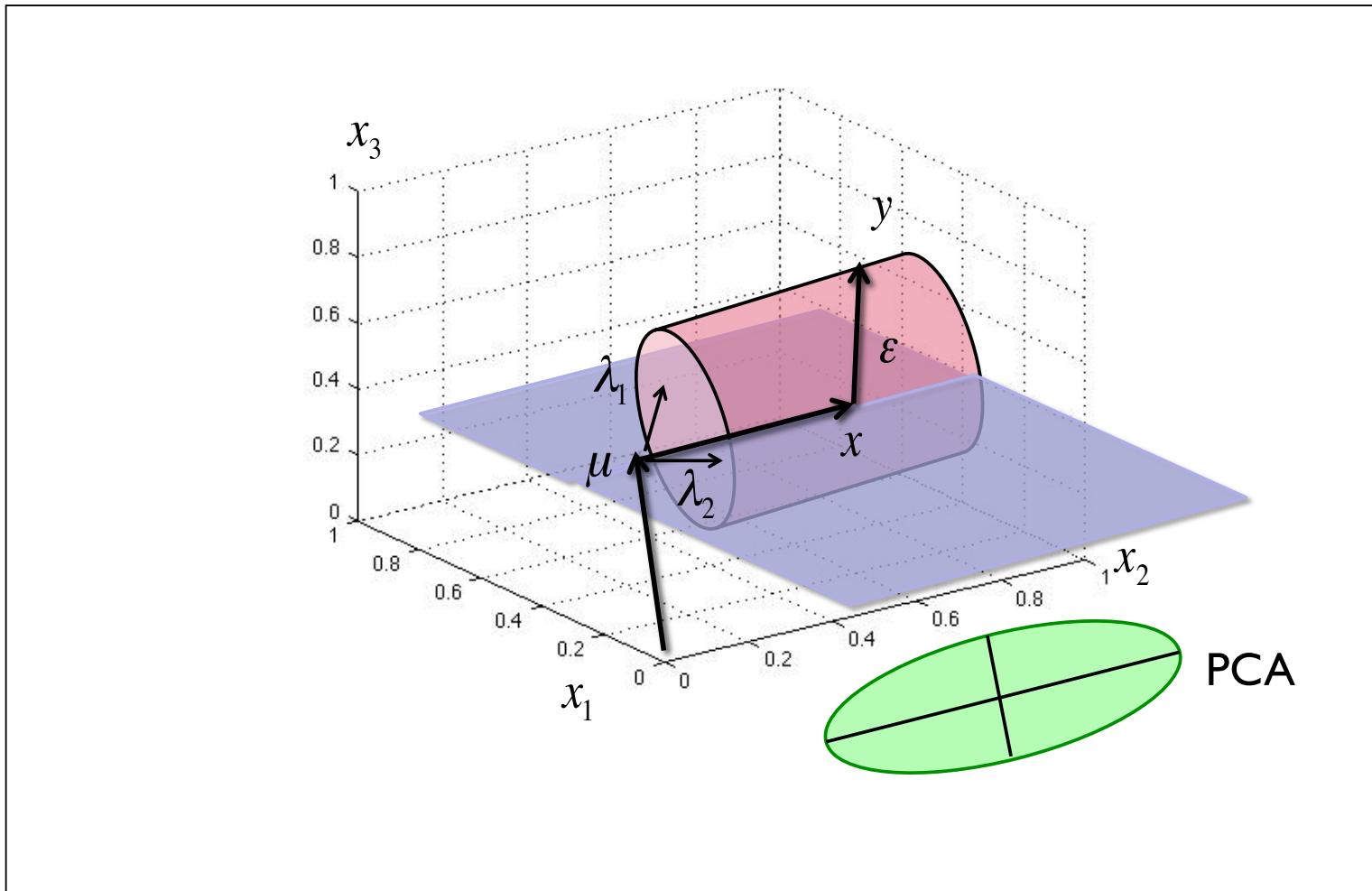


Nice! 😊

# Factor Analysis (FA): Comparison

- Final notes:
  - FA is invariant if we change the scale.
  - FA looks for correlation of the data.
  - PCA is invariant if we rotate the data.
  - PCA looks for direction of large variance.

# Factor Analysis (FA): Comparison



# Factor Analysis (FA): Final notes

- More final notes:
  - Remember our initial goal?
  - Reduce dimensions
- $$y = \Lambda x + \varepsilon$$

We can decide the value  
of  $R$  and compute  
a new set of features!!
- Produce a suitable model to explain the data, based on constrained covariance Gaussian.

$$\begin{array}{ll} y \rightarrow P \times 1 & \text{data vector} \\ \Lambda \rightarrow P \times R & \text{Loading Matrix} \\ x \rightarrow R \times 1 & \text{factor vector} \\ \varepsilon \rightarrow P \times 1 & \text{error vector} \end{array}$$

$$p(y|\theta) = N(y|\mu, \Lambda\Lambda^T + \Psi)$$

# Factor Analysis (FA): The real algorithm

- Initialization
  - Give statistics a start value
- While (stop criteria)
  - Compute sufficient statistics and Expectation
    - get  $V^n$
    - get  $m^n$
  - Update the statistics (Maximization)
    - update  $\Lambda$
    - update  $\Psi$

# Factor Analysis (FA): A practical example

```
Y = [  
  
    2.5225   -1.6369   -3.6994   -5.7542   -2.4632  
    3.8143    3.9840    3.3812   -4.5673   -1.9867  
    1.8606    2.6580    1.0446   -9.2575   -1.1736  
    0.6135    2.5380   -3.2632    0.1344   -1.4441  
    2.1523    3.1987   14.3550   -8.3578   -1.8787  
    1.3377    2.6883   -4.7846   15.0349   -2.5611 ]  
  
ybar=mean(Y)  
  
ybar =  
  
    2.0501    2.2383    1.1723   -2.1279   -1.9179  
  
S=cov(Y)  
S =  
  
    1.1907    0.1033    2.7165   -4.1557   -0.1477  
    0.1033    3.8911    6.2666    1.8439    0.4391  
    2.7165    6.2666   51.5143   -36.2420    0.9312  
   -4.1557    1.8439   -36.2420    81.6850   -2.6748  
   -0.1477    0.4391    0.9312   -2.6748    0.2992
```

# Factor Analysis (FA): A practical example

## Initialization

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Psi=Psi0 % PCA obtained  
V=V0 % PCA Obtained
```

```
Psi =  
  
0.9541  
2.1716  
0.1026  
0.0289  
0.2156
```

```
V =  
  
-0.4862 -0.0082  
-0.1978 1.2963  
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# Factor Analysis (FA): A practical example

## Sufficient Statistics

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mu= ybar;
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X =
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B=(V'*V)\V';%LSE
%expectation Y
for i=1:n
X(i,:)= B*((Y(i,:)-mu)');
end
X =
Xbar=mean(X);
%conditional covariance
L=I+V'*IPsi*V;
Covx=eye(m)/L
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# Factor Analysis (FA): A practical example

## Deltas:

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Dx= X- repmat(ybar,n,1);

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Dy= Y- ones(n,1)*mu
Dx= X- repmat(xbar,n,1);
%maximize V/update
V= (Dy'*Dx)/(Covx+(Dy'*Dx))
V =

```

```

0.4858 -0.0088
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```

```
%update mu
mu=mean(Y- X*V');
```

```
% update Psi.
Psi= (1/n)* diag((Dy'*Dy) - (Dy'*Dx)*V' )
```

```
Psi =

```

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0.7951
1.8106
0.1025
0.0290
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```

Dy= Y- ones(n,1)*mu
Dx= X- repmat(xbar,n,1);
%maximize V/update
V= (Dy'*Dx)/(Covx+(Dx'*Dx))

```

**V =**

<b>0.4858</b>	<b>-0.0088</b>
<b>0.1960</b>	<b>1.2885</b>
<b>5.7083</b>	<b>4.2920</b>
<b>-8.5476</b>	<b>2.9118</b>
<b>0.2663</b>	<b>-0.1118</b>

```
%update mu
mu=mean(Y- X*V');
```

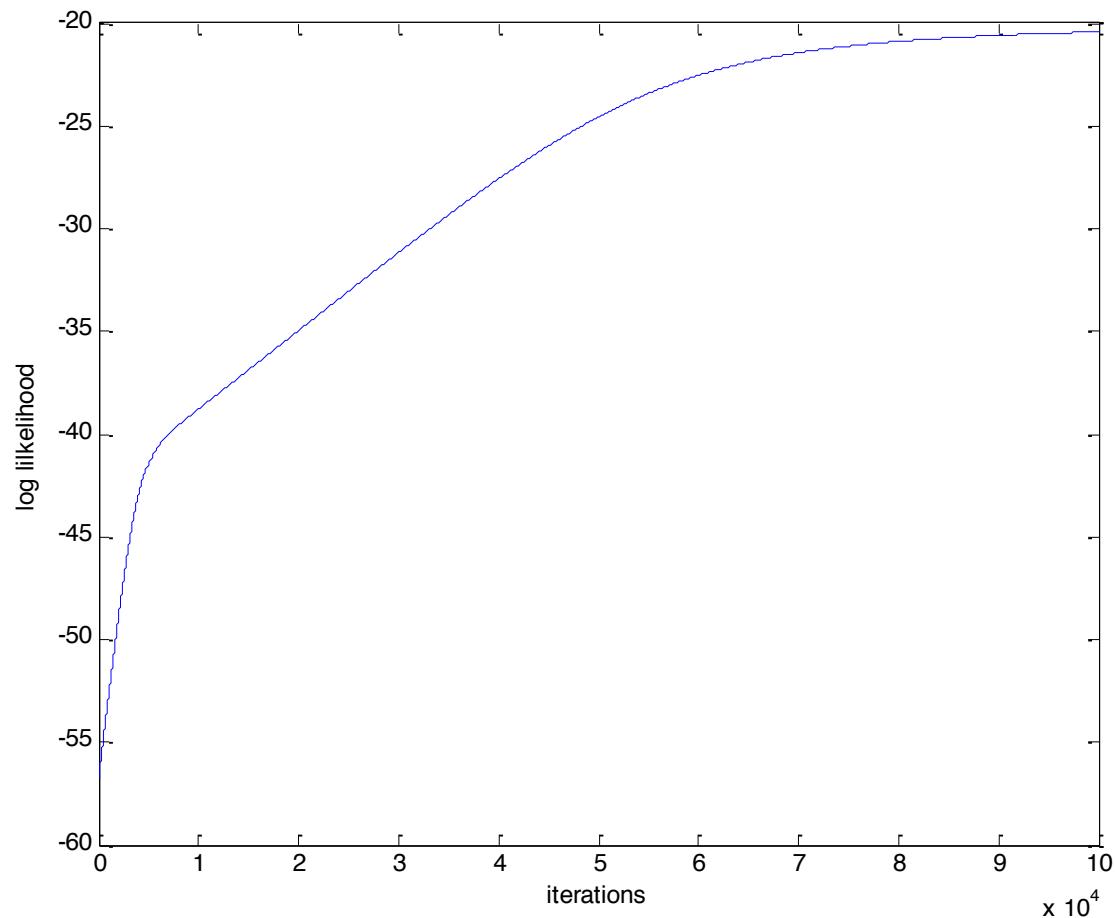
% update Psi.

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Psi= (1/n)* diag((Dy'*Dy) - (Dy'*Dx)*V' )
```

**Psi =**

<b>0.7951</b>
<b>1.8106</b>
<b>0.1025</b>
<b>0.0290</b>
<b>0.1797</b>

# Factor Analysis (FA): A practical example



# Speaker Verification System

# Speaker Verification

Speaker Verification: is a detection problem. Accepts or rejects a user as legitimate based on his speech signal.

- Input:
  - Speech signal  $X$
  - Claimed identity  $i$

- Output:
  - accept/reject

$$d = \begin{cases} \text{accept} & \phi(X, i) > \tau_i; \\ \text{reject} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- A confidence measure  $\phi(X, i)$

# Speaker Verification

- Each speaker has its own model, known as target model  $\lambda_i$
- And its antimodel  $\bar{\lambda}_i$
- The target model is the prototype of each speaker in the training.
- The antimodel is the impostor's prototype.
- When all the impostors share the same model, the final model is called: UBM Universal Background Model.

# Speaker Verification

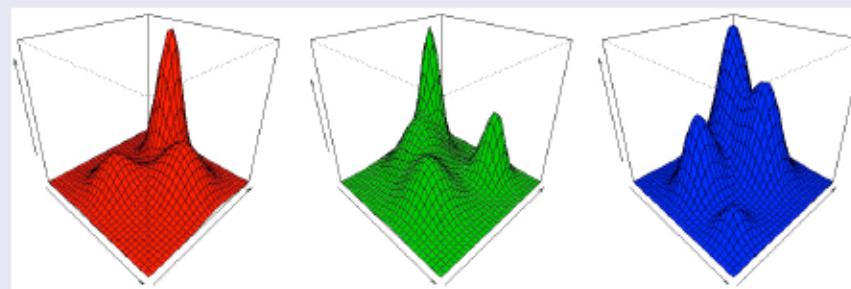
This is how we represent each speaker:

## Gaussian Mixture Model (GMM)

- Let  $X$  be the acoustic feature vector.

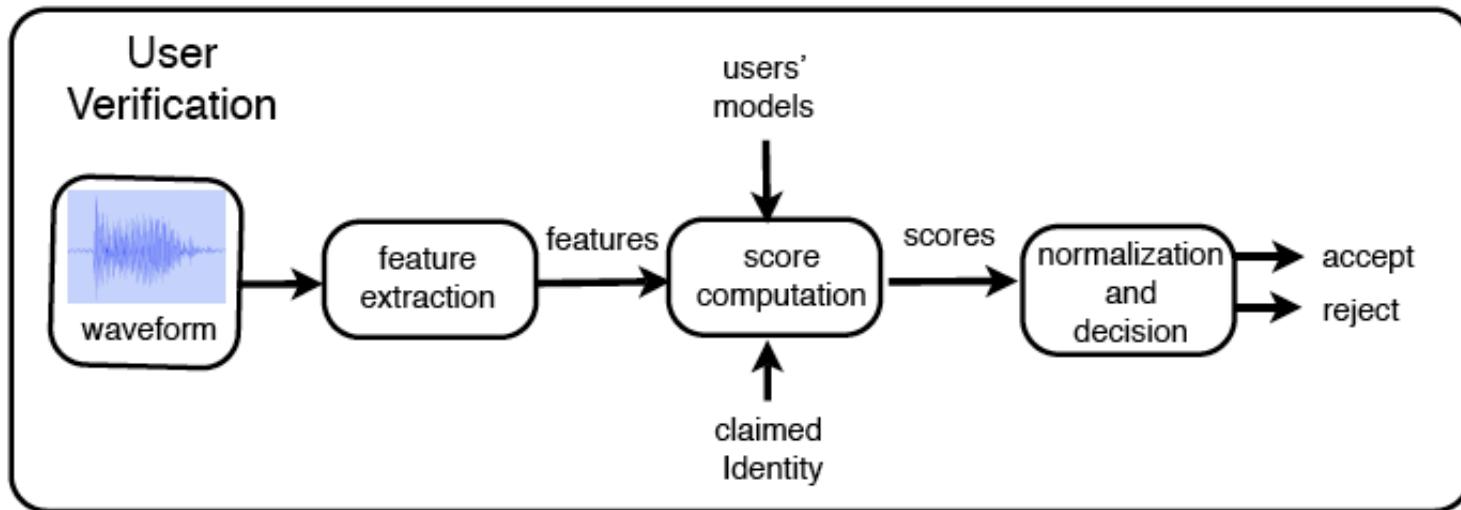
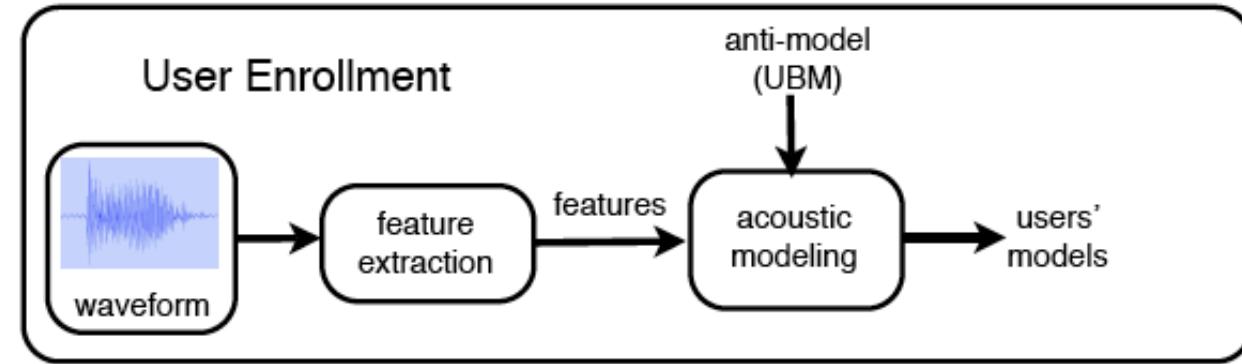
$$P(X; \lambda) = \sum_k w_k \mathcal{N}(X; \mu_k, \Sigma_k), \quad \lambda = (w_k, \mu_k, \Sigma_k)$$

Three sample GMMs for a 3D feature vector:



- The GMM characterizes the set of mechanical configurations of a person's vocal tract.

# Speaker Verification



# Motivation of using JFA

Traditional systems are based on the estimation of the probability density functions (GMM in this case).

## ① UBM Generation

- We take all the data available and model a GMM (independent to the target speakers).
- The technique used is: Expectation Maximization (EM).

# Motivation of using JFA

## ② Speaker model generation:

Problem:

- The amount of speech is quite small for an optimal estimation.
- It is not possible to use rely on EM

Solution: **MAP** (maximum a posteriori)

$$\theta_{MAP} = \operatorname{argmax}_{\lambda, \vartheta} p(X|\lambda; \vartheta)p(\lambda; \vartheta),$$

# Motivation of using JFA

What is the real problem?

- Speaker data trained over different channels.
- MAP doesn't work. It does assume conventional conjugate priors.

What is the solution for non-ideal cases?

JFA!!!

- Provides priors for the parameters.
- Separates the speaker and the channel factors.
- The channel factors don't give information of the speaker so they can be marginalized out when computing score.

# Motivation

## ② Speaker model generation JFA Joint Factor Analysis

- ❑ Is it possible to include a new latent variable? YES!!!
- ❑ What is the new model?

$$M = m + Vy + Ux + Dz,$$

$m \rightarrow CF \times 1$  supervector

$V \rightarrow$  low rank matrix eigenvoices

$y \rightarrow$  speaker factors

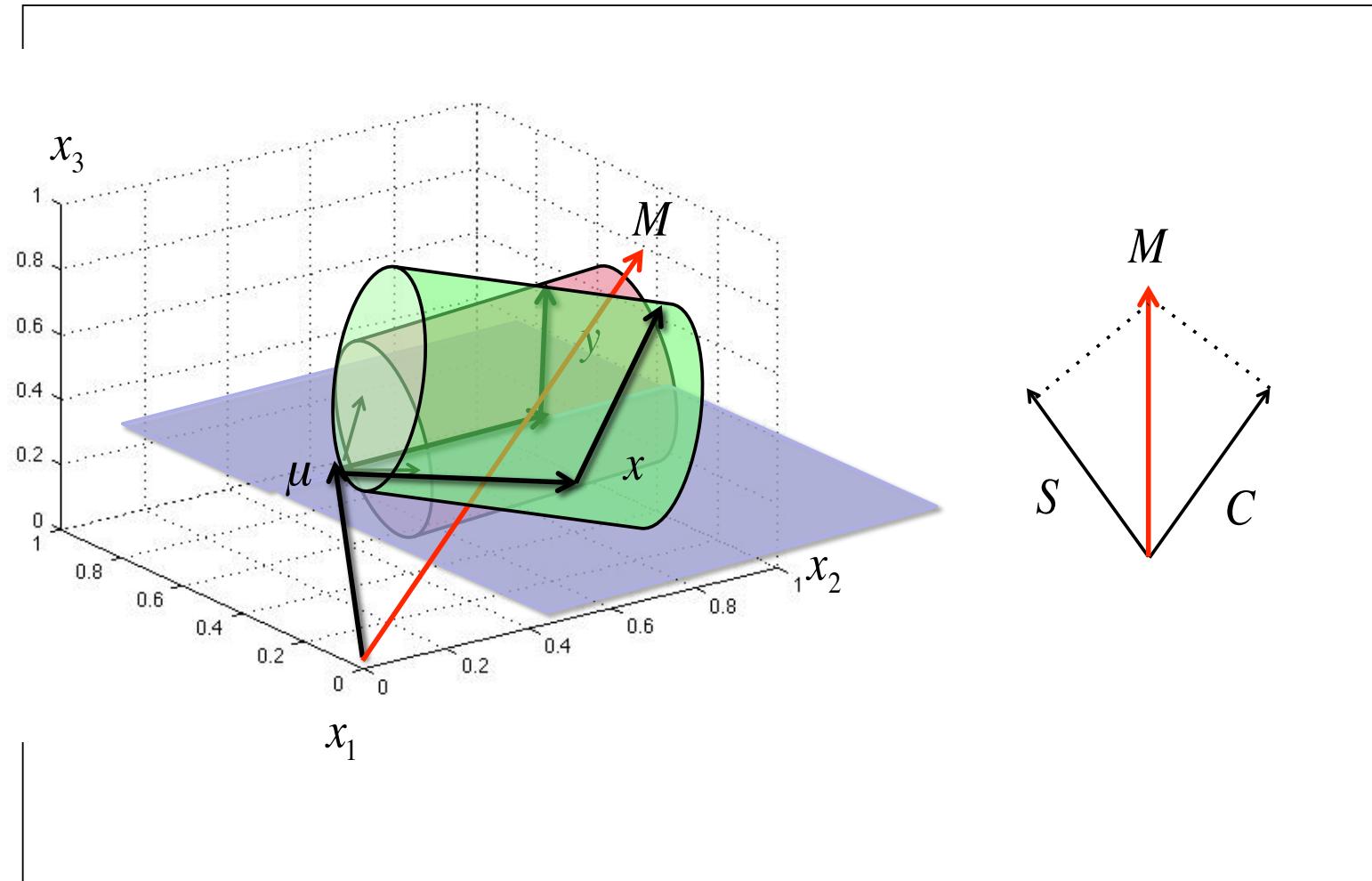
$U \rightarrow$  low rank matrix eigenchannels

$x \rightarrow$  channel factors

$D \rightarrow$  diagonal matrix

$z \rightarrow$  normally distributed  
random vector

# Factor Analysis (FA): Geometrical representation



# Algorithm

We may use a variable change in order to get an estimation of the VY, UX and DZ contributions with the Factor Analysis estimating methods.

$$Data1' = m + DZ + UX$$

$$Data = Data1' + VY$$

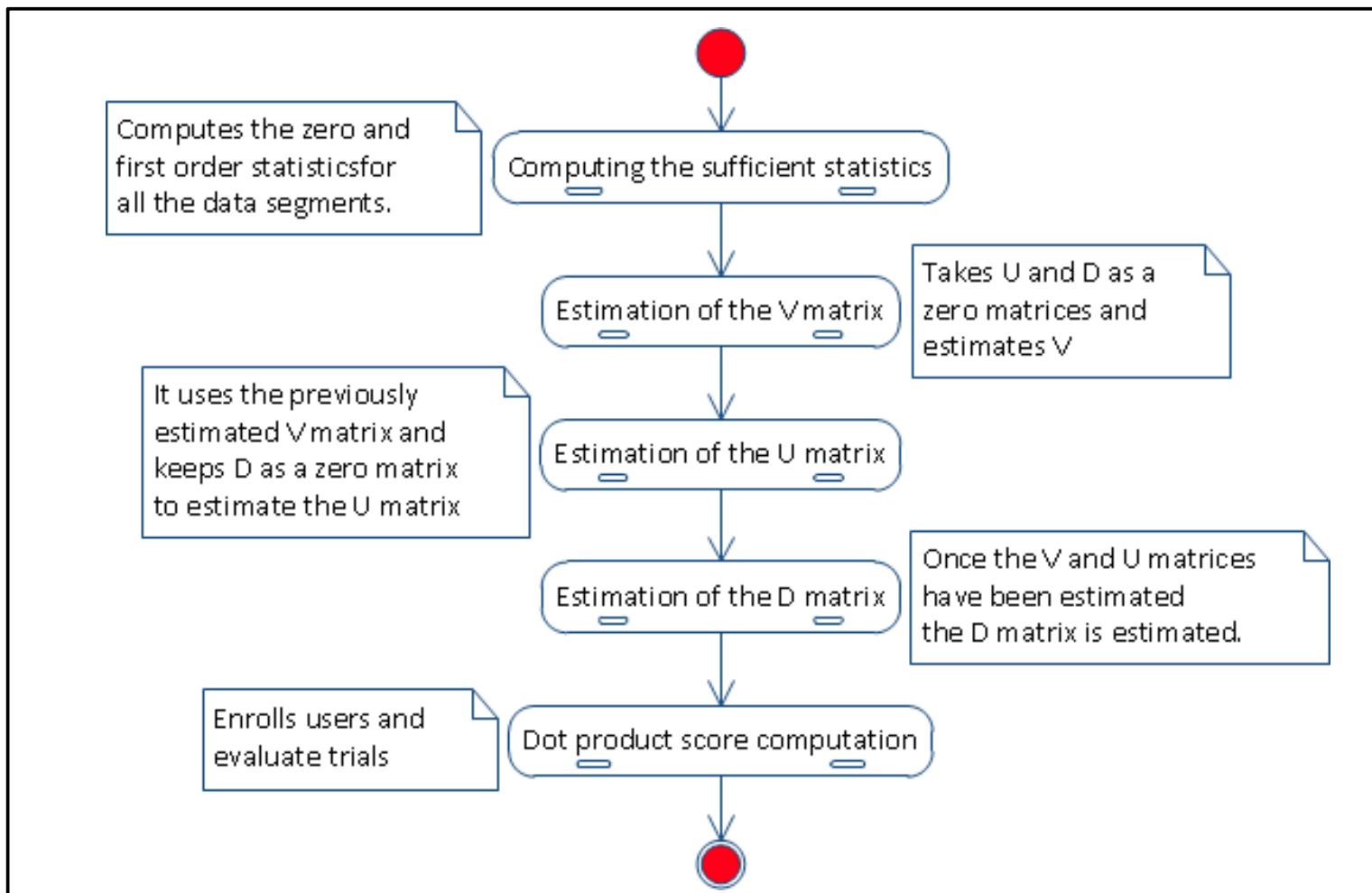
$$Data2' = m + VY + DZ$$

$$Data = Data2' + UX$$

$$Data3' = m + VY + UX$$

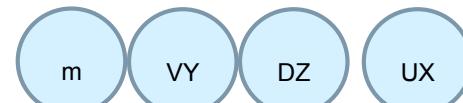
$$Data = Data3' + DZ$$

# JFA Algorithm



# Algorithm

- ① Compute Sufficient Statistics
- ② Compute V and Y
- ③ Compute U and X
- ④ Compute D and Z



# History

What happened next?

Researchers discovered that the channel factors contained information of the speaker. 😊

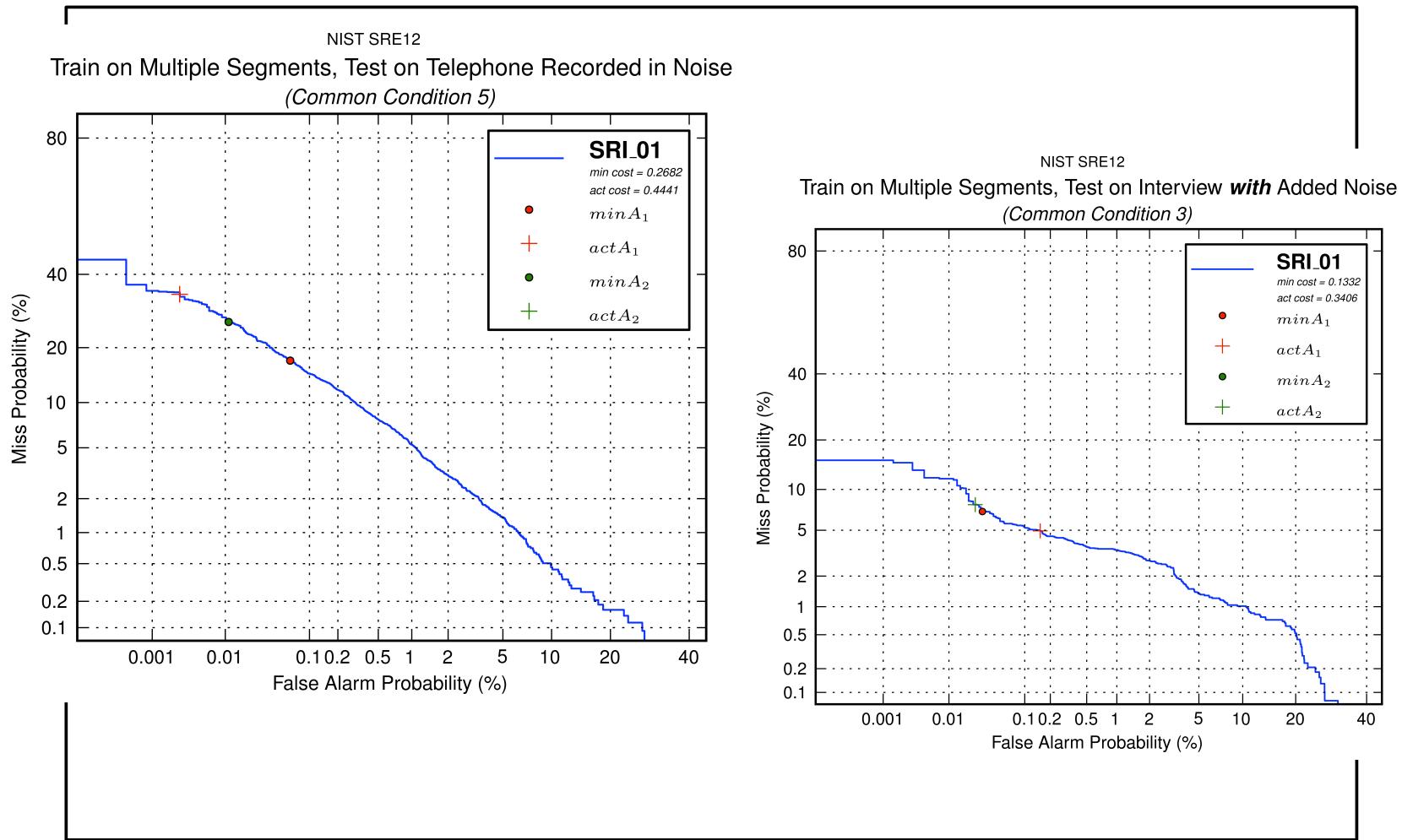
Go back to factor analysis!!! Now is called: I-vectors!!!

Important notes:

- ❑ JFA is actually used to build a model of the data
- ❑ I-vectors are used as feature extractor:

Obtains the important information of the speakers and transforms it into vectors.

# Some results... Last week. Best system!



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