## CS 6890: Deep Learning

## Principal Component Analysis

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## Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- A technique widely used for:
- dimensionality reduction.
- data compression.
- feature extraction.
- data visualization.
- Two equivalent definitions of PCA:


1) Project the data onto a lower dimensional space such that the variance of the projected data is maximized.
2) Project the data onto a lower dimensional space such that the mean squared distance between data points and their projections (average projection cost) is minimized.


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## PCA (Maximum Variance)

- Let $\mathrm{X}=\left\{\mathbf{x}_{n}\right\}_{1 \leq n \leq \mathrm{N}}$ be a set of observations:
- Each $\mathbf{x}_{n} \in \mathrm{R}^{D}$ ( $D$ is the dimensionality of $\mathbf{x}_{n}$ ).
- Project X onto an $M$ dimensional space $(M<D)$ such that the variance of the projected X is maximized.
- Minimum error formulation leads to the same solution [PRML 12.1.2].
- shows how PCA can be used for compression.
- Work out solution for $M=1$, then generalize to any $M<D$.


## PCA (Maximum Variance, $M=1$ )

- The lower dimensional space is defined by a vector $\mathbf{u}_{1} \in \mathrm{R}^{D}$.
- Only direction is important $\Rightarrow$ choose $\left\|\mathbf{u}_{1}\right\|=1$.
- Each $\mathbf{x}_{n}$ is projected onto a scalar $\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}$
- The (sample) mean of the data is:

$$
\overline{\mathbf{x}}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{x}_{n}
$$

- The (sample) mean of the projected data is $\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \overline{\mathbf{x}}$


## PCA (Maximum Variance, $M=1$ )

- The (sample) variance of the projected data:

$$
\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N}\left(\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{x}_{n}-\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \overline{\mathbf{x}}\right)^{2}=\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{u}_{1}
$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is the data covariance matrix:

$$
\boldsymbol{\Sigma}=\frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N}\left(\mathbf{x}_{n}-\overline{\mathbf{x}}\right)\left(\mathbf{x}_{n}-\overline{\mathbf{x}}\right)^{T}
$$

- Optimization problem is:

> minimize:

$$
-\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \Sigma \mathbf{u}_{1}
$$

subject to:

$$
\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{u}_{1}=1
$$

## PCA (Maximum Variance, $M=1$ )

- Lagrangian function:

$$
L_{P}\left(\mathbf{u}_{1}, \lambda_{1}\right)=-\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \Sigma \mathbf{u}_{1}+\lambda_{1}\left(\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{u}_{1}-1\right)
$$

where $\lambda_{1}$ is the Lagrangian multiplier for constraint $\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{u}_{1}=1$

- Solve:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L_{P}}{\partial \mathbf{u}_{1}}=0 & \Rightarrow \Sigma \mathbf{u}_{1}=\lambda_{1} \mathbf{u}_{1} \Rightarrow\left\{\begin{array}{l}
\mathbf{u}_{1} \text { is an eigenvector of } \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \\
\lambda_{1} \text { is an eigenvalue of } \boldsymbol{\Sigma}
\end{array}\right. \\
& \Rightarrow-\mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{u}_{1}=-\lambda_{1} \mathbf{u}_{1}^{T} \mathbf{u}_{1}=-\lambda_{1} \\
& \Rightarrow \lambda_{1} \text { is the largest eigenvalue of } \boldsymbol{\Sigma}
\end{aligned}
$$

## PCA (Maximum Variance, $M=1$ )

- $\lambda_{1}$ is the largest eigenvalue of $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$.
- $\mathbf{u}_{1}$ is the eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda_{1}$ :
- also called the first principal component.
- For $M<D$ dimensions:
- $\mathbf{u}_{1} \mathbf{u}_{2} \ldots \mathbf{u}_{M}$ are the eigenvectors corresponding to the largest eigenvalues $\lambda_{1} \lambda_{2} \ldots \lambda_{M}$ of $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$.
- proof by induction.


## PCA on Normalized Data

- Preprocess data $X=\left\{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\right\}_{1 \leq i \leq \mathrm{m}}$ such that:
- features have the same mean (0).
- features have the same variance (1).

1. Let $\mu=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x^{(i)}$.
2. Replace each $x^{(i)}$ with $x^{(i)}-\mu$.
3. Let $\sigma_{j}^{2}=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i}\left(x_{j}^{(i)}\right)^{2}$
4. Replace each $x_{j}^{(i)}$ with $x_{j}^{(i)} / \sigma_{j}$.

## PCA on Natural Images

- Stationarity: the statistics in one part of the image should be the same as any other.
$\Rightarrow$ no need for variance normalization.
$\Rightarrow$ do mean normalization by subtracting from each image its mean intensity.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mu^{(i)} & :=\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}^{(i)} \\
x_{j}^{(i)} & :=x_{j}^{(i)}-\mu^{(i)}
\end{aligned}
$$

## PCA on Normalized Data

- The covariance matrix is:

$$
\Sigma=\frac{1}{m} X X^{T}=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbf{x}^{(i)}\left(\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\right)^{T}
$$

- The eigenvectors are:

$$
\Sigma \mathbf{u}_{j}=\lambda_{j} \mathbf{u}_{j} \text { where } \lambda_{1} \geq \lambda_{2} \geq \ldots \geq \lambda_{D} \text { and } u_{j}^{T} u_{j}=1
$$

- Equivalent with:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Sigma U=U \Lambda \\
& U=\left[u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{D}\right] \quad \lambda_{1} \geq \lambda_{2} \geq \ldots \geq \lambda_{D} \text { and } U^{T} U=I \\
& \Lambda=\operatorname{diag}\left(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{D}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

## PCA on Normalized Data

- $U$ is an orthogonal (rotation) matrix, i.e. $U^{T} U=I$.
- The full transformation (rotation) of $x^{(i)}$ through PCA is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
y^{(i)} & =U^{T} x^{(i)} \\
& \Rightarrow x^{(i)}=U y^{(i)}
\end{aligned}
$$

- The $k$-dimensional projection of $x^{(i)}$ through PCA is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\hat{y}^{(i)} & =U_{1, k}^{T} x^{(i)}=\left[u_{1}, \ldots, u_{k}\right]^{T} x^{(i)} \\
& \Rightarrow \hat{x}^{(i)}=U_{1, k} \hat{y}^{(i)}
\end{aligned}
$$

- How many components $k$ should be used?


## How many components $k$ should be used?

- Compute percentage of variance retained by $\mathrm{Y}=\left\{y^{(i)}\right\}$, for each value of $k$ :

$$
\hat{y}^{(i)}=\left[u_{1}, \ldots, u_{k}\right]^{T} x^{(i)}
$$

$$
\operatorname{Var}(k)=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \operatorname{Var}\left[\hat{y}_{j}\right]=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \operatorname{Var}\left[u_{j}^{T} x\right]
$$

$$
=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(u_{j}^{T} x^{(i)}-u_{j}^{T} \bar{x}\right)^{2}=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(u_{j}^{T} x^{(i)}\right)^{2}=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \lambda_{j}
$$

HW: Prove it is $\lambda_{j}$

## How many components $k$ should be used?

- Compute percentage of variance retained by $\mathrm{Y}=\left\{y^{(i)}\right\}$, for each value of $k$ :
- Variance retained:

$$
\operatorname{Var}(k)=\sum_{j=1}^{k} \lambda_{j}
$$

- Total variance:

$$
\operatorname{Var}(D)=\sum_{j=1}^{D} \lambda_{j}
$$

- Percentage of variance retained: $P(k)=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{k} \lambda_{j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{D} \lambda_{j}}$


## How many components $k$ should be used?

- Compute percentage of variance retained by $\mathrm{Y}=\left\{y^{(i)}\right\}$, for each value of $k$ :

$$
P(k)=\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{k} \lambda_{j}}{\sum_{j=1}^{D} \lambda_{j}}
$$

- Choose smallest $k$ as to retain $99 \%$ of variance:

$$
\hat{k}=\underset{1 \leq k \leq D}{\operatorname{argmin}}[P(k) \geq 0.99]
$$

## PCA on Normalized Data: $\left[x_{1}^{(i)}, x_{2}^{(i)}\right]^{T}$



Rotation through PCA: $\left[u_{1}^{T} x^{(i)}, u_{2}^{T} x^{(i)}\right]^{T}$


## 1-Dimensional PCA Projection: $\left[u_{1}^{T} x^{(i)}, 0\right]^{T}$



## 1-Dimensional PCA Approximation: $u_{1} u_{1}^{T} x^{(i)}$



## PCA as a Linear Auto-Encoder

- The full transformation (rotation) of $x^{(i)}$ through PCA is:

$$
y=U^{T} x \Rightarrow x=U y
$$

- The $k$-dimensional projection of $x^{(i)}$ through PCA is:

$$
\hat{y}=U_{1, k}^{T} x=\left[u_{1}, \ldots, u_{k}\right]^{T} x \Rightarrow \hat{x}=U_{1, k} \hat{y}=U_{1, k} U_{1, k}^{T} x
$$

- The minimum error formulation of PCA:

$$
U_{1, k}^{*}=\underset{U_{1, k}}{\arg \min } \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left\|U_{1, k} U_{1, k}^{T} x^{(i)}-x^{(i)}\right\|^{2}
$$

## PCA as a Linear Auto-Encoder



## PCA and Decorrelation

- The full transformation (rotation) of $x^{(i)}$ through PCA is:

$$
y^{(i)}=U^{T} x^{(i)} \Rightarrow Y=U^{T} X
$$

- What is the covariance matrix of the rotated data Y?

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{m} Y Y^{T} & =\frac{1}{m}\left(U^{T} X\right)\left(U^{T} X\right)^{T}=\frac{1}{m} U^{T} X X^{T} U \\
& =U^{T}\left(\frac{1}{m} X X^{T}\right) U=U^{T} \Sigma U=\Lambda \\
& =\operatorname{diag}\left(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{D}\right) \quad \begin{array}{r}
=>\text { the features in } y \\
\text { are decorrelated! }
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
$$

## PCA Whitening (Sphering)

- The goal of whitening is to make the input less redundant, i.e. the learning algorithm sees a training input where:

1. The features are not correlated with each other.
2. The features all have the same variance.
3. PCA already results in uncorrelated features:

$$
y^{(i)}=U^{T} x^{(i)} \Leftrightarrow Y=U^{T} X \quad \frac{1}{m} Y Y^{T}=\operatorname{diag}\left(\lambda_{1}, \lambda_{2}, \ldots, \lambda_{D}\right)
$$

2. Transform to identity covariance (PCA Whitening) :

$$
y_{j}^{(i)}=\frac{u_{j}^{T} x^{(i)}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j}}} \Leftrightarrow y^{(i)}=\Lambda^{-1 / 2} U^{T} x^{(i)} \Leftrightarrow Y=\Lambda^{-1 / 2} U^{T} X
$$

## PCA on Normalized Data: $\left[x_{1}^{(i)}, x_{2}^{(i)}\right]^{T}$



Rotation through PCA: $\left[u_{1}^{T} x^{(i)}, u_{2}^{T} x^{(i)}\right]^{T}$


PCA Whitening: $\left[\frac{u_{1}^{T} x^{(i)}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{1}}}, \frac{u_{2}^{T} x^{(i)}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{2}}}\right]^{T}$


## ZCA Whitening (Sphering)

- Observation: If Y has identity covariance and R is an orthogonal matrix, then RY has identity covariance.


## 1. PCA Whitening:

$$
Y_{P C A}=\Lambda^{-1 / 2} U^{T} X
$$

2. ZCA Whitening:

$$
Y_{Z C A}=U Y_{P C A}=U \Lambda^{-1 / 2} U^{T} X
$$

Out of all rotations, $U$ makes $Y_{Z C A}$ closest to original $X$.

## ZCA Whitening: $Y_{Z C A}=U \Lambda^{-1 / 2} U^{T} X$



## Smoothing

- When eigenvalues $\lambda_{j}$ are very close to 0 , dividing by $\lambda_{j}^{-1 / 2}$ is numerically unstable.
- Smoothing: add a small $\varepsilon$ to eigenvalues before scaling for PCA/ZCA whitening:

$$
y_{j}^{(i)}=\frac{u_{j}^{T} x^{(i)}}{\sqrt{\lambda_{j}+\varepsilon}} \quad \varepsilon \approx 10^{-5}
$$

- ZCA whitening is a rough model of how the biological eye (the retina) processes images (through retinal neurons).

