

Linear Subspace Transforms

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Image dependent basis

- Other transforms, (Fourier and Cosine) uses a fixed basis.
- Better compression can be achieved by tailoring the basis to the image (pixel) statistics.

Sample data

- Let $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_w]$ be a sequence of random variables (vectors)

Example 1: $\mathbf{x}$ = Column flattening of an image, so $\mathbf{x}$ is a sample over several images.

Example 2: $\mathbf{x}$ = Column flattening of an image block. $\mathbf{x}$ could be sampled from only one image.

Example 3: $\mathbf{x}$ = optic flow field.

Natural images = stochastic variables

- The samplings $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_w]$ of natural image intensities or optic flows are far from uniform!
- Draw $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_w$: Localized clouds of points.
- Particularly localized for e.g.
 - Groups of faces or similar objects
 - Lighting
 - Small motions represented as intensity changes or optic flow. (Note coupling through optic flow equation)

Dimensionality reduction

- Find an ON basis B which “compacts” x
- Can write:

$$x = y_1 B_1 + y_2 B_2 + \dots + y_w B_w$$
- But can drop some and only use a subset, i.e.

$$x = y_1 B_1 + y_2 B_2$$

Result: Fewer y values encode almost all the data in x

Estimated Covariance Matrix

$$C_{k,l} = \frac{1}{W} \left(\sum_j \bar{x}_j^k \bar{x}_j^l \right) - \bar{m}^T \bar{m} \quad (\text{eqn1})$$

$$\bar{m} = \frac{1}{W} \left(\sum_i \bar{x}_i \right) \quad (\text{eqn2})$$

Note 1: Can more compactly write:

$$C = X^T X \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{m} = \text{sum}(x)/w$$

Note 2: Covariance matrix is both symmetric and real, therefore the matrix can be diagonalized and its eigenvalues will be real

Coordinate Transform

- Diagonalize C , ie find B s.t.

$$B^T C B = D = \text{diag}(\lambda_j)$$

Note:

1. C symmetric $\Rightarrow B$ orthogonal
2. B columns = C eigenvectors

Definition KL, PCA, Hotelling transform

- The forward coordinate transform

$$y = B^T (x - m_x)$$
- Inverse transform

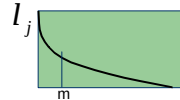
$$x = B y + m_x$$

Note: $m_y = E[y] = 0$ zero mean

$C = E[yy^T] = D$ diagonal cov matrix

Study eigenvalues

- Typically quickly decreasing:



- Write:

$$x = y_1 B_1 + y_2 B_2 + \dots + y_m B_m + \dots + y_w B_w$$

- But can drop some and only use a subset, i.e.

$$x_m = y_1 B_1 + y_2 B_2 + \dots + y_m B_m$$

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Remaining error

- Mean square error of the approximation is

$$MSE = \sum_{j=K}^{N-1} l_j$$

Example eigen-images 1: Lighting variation



Example eigen-images 2 Motions

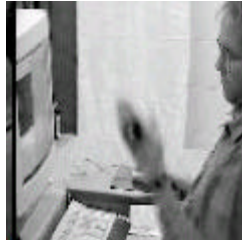


Motions with my arm sampled densely

Human Arm Animation



Training sequence



Simulated Animation

Modulating Basis Vectors



Vectors: 5 and 6



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Practically:

$C=XX'$ quite large, $\text{eig}(C)$ impractical.

Instead:

1. $C=X'X$, $[d,V]=\text{eig}(C)$, eigenvectors $U=XV$
2. $[U,s,V]=\text{svd}(X)$
(since $C=XX'=Us^2U'$)

Summary Hotelling, PCA, KLT

- Advantages:
 1. Optimal coding in the least square sense
 2. Theoretically well founded
 3. Image dependent basis: We can interpret variation in our particular set of images.
- Disadvantages:
 1. Computationally intensive
 2. Image dependent basis (we have to compute it)