What is Machine Learning? (Part I)

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- Early statistics had great success with the idea of statistical proof.
 - Question: I computed the mean of these two tables of numbers (a statistic). They are different. Does this "prove" anything?
 - Answer: it depends on how the numbers are generated, how many there are and how big the difference. Randomization is important.
- Hypothesis testing: questions you can ask about your data are quite limiting.
- This can have the affect of limiting science too.
- Many successes: crop fertilization, clinical trials, brewing, polling.
- Many open questions: e.g. causality.

Early 20th Century Statistics

Many statisticians were Edwardian English gentleman.



Figure: William Sealy Gosset in 1908

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Supervised Learning Classification

Regression Error Functions

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Conclusions

- ► We are given data set containing "inputs", X, and "targets", y.
- ► Each data point consists of an input vector x_{i,:} and a class label, y_i.
- ► For binary classification assume y_i should be either 1 (yes) or -1 (no).
- Input vector can be thought of as features.

- Classifying hand written digits from binary images (automatic zip code reading).
- Detecting faces in images (e.g. digital cameras).
- ▶ Who a detected face belongs to (e.g. Picasa).
- Classifying type of cancer given gene expression data.
- Categorization of document types (different types of news article on the internet).

- Developed in 1957 by Rosenblatt.
- Take a data point at, x_i.
- ▶ Predict it belongs to a class, $y_i = 1$ if $\sum_j w_j \mathbf{x}_{i,j} + b > 0$ i.e. $\mathbf{w}^\top \mathbf{x}_i + b > 0$. Otherwise assume $y_i = -1$.

- 1. Select a random data point i.
- 2. Ensure *i* is correctly classified by setting $\mathbf{w} = y_i \mathbf{x}_i$.
 - ► i.e. sign $(\mathbf{w}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_{i,:}) = \text{sign}(y_i\mathbf{x}_{i,:}^{\top}\mathbf{x}_{i,:}) = \text{sign}(y_i) = y_i$
- 3. Iterate: increment k and select a misclassified point, i.

4. Set
$$\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} + \eta y_i \mathbf{x}_{i,:}$$
.

- If η is large enough this will guarantee this point becomes correctly classified.
- 5. Repeat until there are no misclassified points..

Iteration 1 data no 29



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- $w_1 = 0, w_2 = 0$





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First Iteration





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- $w = y_{29}x_{29,:}$
- Select new incorrectly classified data point.



Iteration 2 data no 16





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- 6 Iteration 2 data no 16 4 2 $w_2 = -0.6787$ × Incorrect classification Ϋ́ 0 Adjust weight vector with -2 new data point.
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Iteration 3 data no 58





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- Adjust weight vector with new data point.
- $\blacktriangleright \mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} + \eta y_{58} \mathbf{x}_{58,:}$
- All data correctly classified.



Motivation

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- Predict a real value, y_i given some inputs x_i .
- Predict quality of meat given spectral measurements (Tecator data).
- Radiocarbon dating, the C14 calibration curve: predict age given quantity of C14 isotope.
- Predict quality of different Go or Backgammon moves given expert rated training data.

- Predict a real value y given x.
- We can also construct a learning rule for regression.
 - Define our prediction

$$f(x)=mx+c.$$

Define an error

$$\Delta y_i = y_i - f(x_i).$$

• *c* represents bias. Add portion of error to bias.

$$c \rightarrow c + \eta \Delta y_i$$
.

$$\Delta y_i = y_i - mx_i - c.$$

- 1. For +ve error, c and therefore $f(x_i)$ become larger and error magnitude becomes smaller.
- 2. For -ve error, c and therefore $f(x_i)$ become smaller and error magnitude becomes smaller.

• *m* represents Slope. Add portion of error \times input to slope.

$$m \to m + \eta \Delta y_i x_i$$
.

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- 1. For +ve error and +ve input, *m* becomes larger and $f(x_i)$ becomes larger: error magnitude becomes smaller.
- 2. For +ve error and -ve input, *m* becomes smaller and $f(x_i)$ becomes larger: error magnitude becomes smaller.
- 3. For -ve error and -ve slope, *m* becomes larger and $f(x_i)$ becomes smaller: error magnitude becomes smaller.
- 4. For -ve error and +ve input, *m* becomes smaller and $f(x_i)$ becomes smaller: error magnitude becomes smaller.





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- ► Updated values *m̂* = -0.25593 *ĉ* = 1.0175



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► Iteration 7 $\hat{m} = 0.00098511$ $\hat{c} = 1.0949$



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• Iteration 8 $\hat{m} = 0.072529$ $\hat{c} = 1.1101$



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- ► Updated values *m̂* = 0.18547 *ĉ* = 1.1372



- ► Iteration 20 $\hat{m} = 0.27764$ $\hat{c} = 1.1621$
 - Present data point 6
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- ► Updated values *m̂* = 0.28135 *ĉ* = 1.1635



- ► Iteration 30 $\hat{m} = 0.30249$ $\hat{c} = 1.1673$
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- ► Iteration 40 $\hat{m} = 0.33551$ $\hat{c} = 1.1754$
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- ► Iteration 50 $\hat{m} = 0.34126$ $\hat{c} = 1.1763$
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- ► Iteration 60 $\hat{m} = 0.34877$ $\hat{c} = 1.1775$
 - Present data point 2
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- ► Iteration 70 $\hat{m} = 0.34207$ $\hat{c} = 1.1734$
 - Present data point 10
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- Problem with Linear Regression—x may not be linearly related to y.
- Potential solution: create a feature space: define φ(x) where φ(·) is a nonlinear function of x.
- Model for target is a linear combination of these nonlinear functions

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{K} w_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x})$$
(1)

Quadratic Basis

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 $[1, x, x^2]$



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Figure: A quadratic basis.

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Figure: Function from quadratic basis with weights $w_1 = 0.87466$, $w_2 = -0.38835$, $w_3 = -2.0058$.

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Figure: Function from radial basis with weights $w_1 = 0.50596$, $w_2 = -0.046315$, $w_3 = 0.26813$.

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Figure: Function from radial basis with weights $w_1 = 0.07179$, $w_2 = 1.3591$, $w_3 = 0.50604$.

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- Iteration 2
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Iteration 6

- $w_1 = 0.47971,$ $w_2 = -0.11541,$ $w_3 = -0.13778$
- Present data point 5
- $\Delta y_5 = y_5 \phi_5^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 7
 - $w_1 = 0.46599,$ $w_2 = -0.13952,$ $w_3 = -0.13855$
 - Present data point 10
 - $\Delta y_{10} = y_{10} \phi_{10}^{\top} \mathbf{w}$
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 - $w_1 = 0.46599,$ $w_2 = -0.14307,$ $w_3 = -0.54679$
 - Present data point 7
 - $\Delta y_7 = y_7 \phi_7^\top \mathbf{w}$
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 - Adjust ŵ
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- Iteration 10
 - ► $w_1 = 0.38071,$ $w_2 = -0.43867,$ $w_3 = -0.56556$
 - Present data point 10
 - $\Delta y_{10} = y_{10} \phi_{10}^{\top} \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
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- Iteration 11
 - ► $w_1 = 0.38071,$ $w_2 = -0.44002,$ $w_3 = -0.7208$
 - Present data point 8
 - $\Delta y_8 = y_8 \phi_8^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 12
 - $w_1 = 0.37237$, $w_2 = -0.90666$, $w_3 = -1.1987$
 - Present data point 5
 - $\Delta y_5 = y_5 \phi_5^\top \mathbf{w}$
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 - $w_1 = 0.62833,$ $w_2 = -0.45691,$ $w_3 = -1.1842$
 - Present data point 10
 - $\Delta y_{10} = y_{10} \phi_{10}^{\top} \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 14
 - $w_1 = 0.62833$, $w_2 = -0.4575$, $w_3 = -1.252$
 - Present data point 2
 - $\Delta y_2 = y_2 \phi_2^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 15
 - $w_1 = 0.7016,$ $w_2 = -0.45646,$ $w_3 = -1.252$
 - Present data point 1
 - $\Delta y_1 = y_1 \phi_1^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 16
 - $w_1 = 0.7109,$ $w_2 = -0.45641,$ $w_3 = -1.252$
 - Present data point 5
 - $\Delta y_5 = y_5 \phi_5^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 17
 - $w_1 = 0.77022$, $w_2 = -0.35219$, $w_3 = -1.2487$
 - Present data point 9
 - $\Delta y_9 = y_9 \phi_9^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 18
 - ▶ $w_1 = 0.77019$, $w_2 = -0.3832$, $w_3 = -1.8175$
 - Present data point 4
 - $\Delta y_4 = y_4 \phi_4^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 19
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 - Present data point 7
 - $\Delta y_7 = y_7 \phi_7^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 20
 - $w_1 = 0.80681,$ $w_2 = -0.47597,$ $w_3 = -1.8278$
 - Present data point 6
 - $\Delta y_6 = y_6 \phi_6^\top \mathbf{w}$
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- Iteration 50
 - ► $w_1 = 0.9777$, $w_2 = -0.4076$, $w_3 = -2.038$
 - Present data point 8
 - $\Delta y_8 = y_8 \phi_8^\top \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
- Updated values $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \eta \phi_8 \Delta y_8$



- Iteration 100
 - $w_1 = 0.98593$, $w_2 = -0.49744$, $w_3 = -2.046$
 - Present data point 8
 - $\Delta y_8 = y_8 \phi_8^\top \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
- Updated values $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \eta \phi_8 \Delta y_8$



- Iteration 200
 - $w_1 = 0.95307$, $w_2 = -0.48041$, $w_3 = -2.0553$
 - Present data point 4
 - $\Delta y_4 = y_4 \phi_4^\top \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
- Updated values $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \eta \phi_4 \Delta y_4$



- Iteration 300
 - ► $w_1 = 0.97066$, $w_2 = -0.44667$, $w_3 = -2.0588$
 - Present data point 1
 - $\Delta y_1 = y_1 \phi_1^\top \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
- Updated values $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \eta \phi_1 \Delta y_1$


Nonlinear Regression Example

- Iteration 400
 - $w_1 = 0.95515$, $w_2 = -0.40611$, $w_3 = -2.0289$
 - Present data point 8
 - $\Delta y_8 = y_8 \phi_8^\top \mathbf{w}$
 - Adjust ŵ
- Updated values $\hat{\mathbf{w}} \leftarrow \hat{\mathbf{w}} + \eta \phi_8 \Delta y_8$



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- Iteration 500
 - $w_1 = 0.94178$, $w_2 = -0.49879$, $w_3 = -1.9209$
 - Present data point 5
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- One way of minimizing is steepest descent.
- Initialize algorithm with w.
- Compute gradient of error function, $\frac{dE(\mathbf{w})}{d\mathbf{w}}$.
- ► Change **w** by moving in steepest downhill direction.

$$\mathbf{w} \leftarrow \mathbf{w} - \eta \frac{\mathsf{d} E(\mathbf{w})}{\mathsf{d} \mathbf{w}}$$

 $E(\mathbf{w})$





Figure: Steepest descent on a quadratic error surface.

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$E(\mathbf{w})$



Figure: Stochastic gradient descent on a quadratic error surface.

Iteration 1





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Iteration 3



Iteration 4



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Iteration 9



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Iteration 100



Iteration 200





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Iteration 2500





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Iteration 4000



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- Error function has a probabilistic interpretation (maximum likelihood).
- Error function is an actual loss function that you want to minimize (empirical risk minimization).
- For these interpretations probability and optimization theory become important.
- Much of the last 15 years of machine learning research has focused on probabilistic interpretations or clever relaxations of difficult objective functions.

- Optimization methods.
 - Second order methods, conjugate gradient, quasi-Newton and Newton.
 - Effective heuristics such as momentum.
- Local vs global solutions.

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- Divide data into discrete groups according to characteristics.
 - For example different animal species.
 - Different political parties.
- Determine the allocation to the groups and (harder) number of different groups.

- *Require*: Set of *K* cluster centers & assignment of each point to a cluster.
 - Initialize cluster centers as data points.
 - Assign each data point to nearest cluster center.
 - Update each cluster center by setting it to the mean of assigned data points.

This minimizes the objective:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{K} \sum_{i \text{ allocated to } j} (\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{j,:})^{\top} (\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{j,:})$$

- i.e. it minimizes the sum of Euclidean squared distances between points and their associated centers.
- ▶ The minimum is not guaranteed to be *global* or *unique*.
 - This objective is a non-convex optimization problem.

- ► K-means clustering.
 - Data set to be analyzed. Initialize cluster centers.



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- ► *K*-means clustering.
 - Allocation doesn't change so stop.



- ► Spectral clustering (Shi and Malik, 2000; Ng et al., 2002).
 - Allows clusters which aren't convex hulls.
- Dirichlet processes
 - A probabilistic formulation for a clustering algorithm that is non-parameteric.

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Pure Rotation is too Simple

- In practice the data may undergo several distortions.
 - *e.g.* digits undergo 'thinning', translation and rotation.
- ► For data with 'structure':
- we expect fewer distortions than dimensions;
- we therefore expect the data to live on a lower dimensional manifold.
- Conclusion: deal with high dimensional data by looking for lower dimensional non-linear embedding.

q— dimension of latent/embedded space p— dimension of data space n— number of data points

data matrix,
$$\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{y}_{1,:}, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{n,:}]^{\mathrm{T}} = [\mathbf{y}_{:,1}, \dots, \mathbf{y}_{:,p}] \in \Re^{n \times p}$$

latent variables, $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_{1,:}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{n,:}]^{\mathrm{T}} = [\mathbf{x}_{:,1}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{:,q}] \in \Re^{n \times q}$

mapping matrix, $\mathbf{W} \in \Re^{p imes q}$

centering matrix, $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I} - n^{-1} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^{\top} \in \Re^{n imes n}$

- $\mathbf{a}_{i,:}$ is a vector from the *i*th row of a given matrix **A**.
- $\mathbf{a}_{:,j}$ is a vector from the *j*th row of a given matrix **A**.
- ► X and Y are *design matrices*.
- ► If we assume that the data matrix, Y, is centered (i.e. has mean zero) then
 - Sample covariance given by

$$\mathbf{S} = n^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^{\top} \mathbf{Y}.$$

▶ Think of the data represented by interpoint distances.

$$d_{i,j} = \|\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \mathbf{y}_{j,:}\|_2 = \sqrt{(\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \mathbf{y}_{j,:})^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \mathbf{y}_{j,:})}$$

- This is the Euclidean distance between any two data points.
- ► For any data set can display as a matrix, D, where i, jth element is given by d_{i,j}.
Interpoint Distances for Rotated Sixes



Figure: Interpoint distances for the rotated six data.

- ▶ We want to find a low dimensional representation of the data.
- Find a configuration of points, X, such that each

$$\delta_{i,j} = \|\mathbf{x}_{i,:} - \mathbf{x}_{j,:}\|_2$$

closely matches the corresponding $d_{i,j}$ in the distance matrix.

Need an objective function for matching the matrix of latent distances, which we denote Δ, to the matrix of observed distances, D.

- A possible error function:
 - An entrywise L_1 norm on difference between squared distances

$$E(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |d_{i,j}^{2} - \delta_{i,j}^{2}|.$$

- A possible dimensionality reduction algorithm:
 - Retain q columns of **Y** which minimize the error.
- ► To minimize *E*(**Y**) we need to retain for **X** the columns of **Y** that have the largest variance.

Feature Selection



Figure: Feature selection via distance preservation.

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Reconstruction from Latent Space



Left: distances reconstructed with two dimensions. *Right*: distances reconstructed with 10 dimensions.

Reconstruction from Latent Space



Left: distances reconstructed with 100 dimensions. *Right*: distances reconstructed with 1000 dimensions.

- Extracting only columns of data is a very simple approach to dimensionality reduction.
- We can extend our approach by considering rotations of the data before we take the columns.



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- We need the rotation that will minimise residual error.
- Discard direction with *maximum variance*.
- Error is then given by the sum of residual variances.

$$E(\mathbf{X}) \propto \sum_{k=q+1}^{p} \sigma_k^2.$$

- Rotations of data matrix *do not* effect this analysis.
- Algorithm:
 - Rotate data to find directions of maximum variance.
 - ▶ Retain these directions for the low dimensional representation.

Rotation Reconstruction from Latent Space



Left: distances reconstructed with two dimensions. *Right*: distances reconstructed with 10 dimensions.

Rotation Reconstruction from Latent Space



Left: distances reconstructed with 100 dimensions. *Right*: distances reconstructed with 360 dimensions.

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- How do we find these directions?
- Rotate to find directions in data with maximal variance.
 - This is known as PCA (Hotelling, 1933).
- Rotate data to extract directions of maximum variance.
- Do this by diagonalizing the sample covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{S} = n^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^{\top} \mathbf{Y}.$$

▶ Find a direction in the data, $\mathbf{x}_{:,1} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{r}_1$, for which variance is maximized.

$$\mathbf{r}_1 = \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{r}_1} \operatorname{var} (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{r}_1)$$

subject to: $\mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{r}_1 = 1$

Can rewrite in terms of sample covariance

$$\operatorname{var}(\mathbf{x}_{:,1}) = n^{-1} \left(\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{r}_{1} \right)^{\top} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{r}_{1} = \mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top} \underbrace{\left(n^{-1} \mathbf{Y}^{\top} \mathbf{Y} \right)}_{\operatorname{var} \mathbf{r}_{1} = \mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{r}_{1}$$

sample covariance

Solution via constrained optimisation (Lagrange multipliers):

$$L(\mathbf{r}_{1},\lambda_{1}) = \mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{r}_{1} + \lambda_{1}\left(1 - \mathbf{r}_{1}^{\top}\mathbf{r}_{1}\right)$$

Gradient with respect to r₁

$$\frac{\mathsf{d}L\left(\mathbf{r}_{1},\lambda_{1}\right)}{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{r}_{1}}=2\mathbf{S}\mathbf{r}_{1}-2\lambda_{1}\mathbf{r}_{1}$$

rearrange to form

$$\mathbf{Sr}_1 = \lambda_1 \mathbf{r}_1.$$

Which is recognised as an eigenvalue problem.

 Further directions can also be shown to be eigenvectors of the covariance.

- Machine learning has slightly different roots from statistics.
- ► Has inspiration from psychology and computer science.
- Modern machine learning is more mathematically motivated.
- Many of the modern challenges are strongly related to statistics.
- Personal view: we can benefit greatly by more interaction with cognitive science.

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PCA Further Directions

Recall the gradient,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L\left(\mathbf{r}_{1},\lambda_{1}\right)}{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}_{1}}=2\mathbf{S}\mathbf{r}_{1}-2\lambda_{1}\mathbf{r}_{1} \tag{2}$$

to find λ_1 premultiply (2) by \mathbf{r}_1^{\top} and rearrange giving

$$\lambda_1 = \mathbf{r}_1^\top \mathbf{S} \mathbf{r}_1.$$

- ► Maximum variance is therefore *necessarily* the maximum eigenvalue of **S**.
- This is the *first principal component*.

Further Directions

- Find orthogonal directions to earlier extracted directions with maximal variance.
- Orthogonality constraints, for j < k we have

$$\mathbf{r}_j^{ op}\mathbf{r}_k = \mathbf{0} \;\; \mathbf{r}_k^{ op}\mathbf{r}_k = 1$$

Lagrangian

$$L(\mathbf{r}_k, \lambda_k, \boldsymbol{\gamma}) = \mathbf{r}_k^{\top} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{r}_k + \lambda_k \left(1 - \mathbf{r}_k^{\top} \mathbf{r}_k \right) + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \gamma_j \mathbf{r}_j^{\top} \mathbf{r}_k$$

$$\frac{\mathsf{d}(\mathbf{r}_k,\lambda_k)}{\mathsf{d}\mathbf{r}_k} = 2\mathbf{S}\mathbf{r}_k - 2\lambda_k\mathbf{r}_k + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1}\gamma_j\mathbf{r}_j$$

Further Eigenvectors

Gradient of Lagrangian:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L\left(\mathbf{r}_{k},\lambda_{k}\right)}{\mathrm{d}\mathbf{r}_{k}} = 2\mathbf{S}\mathbf{r}_{k} - 2\lambda_{k}\mathbf{r}_{k} + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1}\gamma_{j}\mathbf{r}_{j}$$
(3)

• Premultipling (3) by \mathbf{r}_i with i < k implies

$$\gamma_i = 0$$

which allows us to write

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• Premultiplying (3) by \mathbf{r}_k implies

$$\lambda_k = \mathbf{r}_k^\top \mathbf{S} \mathbf{r}_k.$$

▶ This is the *kth principal component*.

- The rotation which finds directions of maximum variance is the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix.
- The variance in each direction is given by the eigenvalues.
- Problem: working directly with the sample covariance, S, may be impossible.
- For example: perhaps we are given distances between data points, but not absolute locations.
 - No access to absolute positions: cannot compute original sample covariance.

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- Two eigenvalue problems are equivalent. One solves for the rotation, the other solves for the location of the rotated points.
- When p < n it is easier to solve for the rotation, R_q. But when p > n we solve for the embedding (principal coordinate analysis).
- ► In MDS we may not know Y, cannot compute Y^TY from distance matrix.
- ► Can we compute **YY**^T instead?

- $n^{-1}\mathbf{Y}^{\top}\mathbf{Y}$ is the data covariance.
- $\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^{\top}$ is a centred inner product matrix.
 - Also has an interpretation as a covariance matrix (Gaussian processes).
 - It expresses correlation and anti correlation between data points.
 - Standard covariance expresses correlation and anti correlation between *data dimensions*.

Distance to Similarity: A Gaussian Covariance Interpretation

- Translate between covariance and distance.
 - Consider a vector sampled from a zero mean Gaussian distribution,

$$\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{K}
ight)$$
 .

 Expected square distance between two elements of this vector is

$$egin{aligned} d_{i,j}^2 &= \left\langle (z_i - z_j)^2
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under a zero mean Gaussian with covariance given by ${\bf K}$ this is

$$d_{i,j}^2 = k_{i,i} + k_{j,j} - 2k_{i,j}.$$

Take the distance to be square root of this,

$$d_{i,j} = (k_{i,i} + k_{j,j} - 2k_{i,j})^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

- This transformation is known as the standard transformation between a similarity and a distance (Mardia et al., 1979, pg 402).
- ► If the covariance is of the form $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{Y}^{\top}$ then $k_{i,j} = \mathbf{y}_{i,j}^{\top}\mathbf{y}_{j,j}$ and

$$d_{i,j} = \left(\mathbf{y}_{i,:}^{\top} \mathbf{y}_{i,:} + \mathbf{y}_{j,:}^{\top} \mathbf{y}_{j,:} - 2\mathbf{y}_{i,:}^{\top} \mathbf{y}_{j,:}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left|\mathbf{y}_{i,:} - \mathbf{y}_{j,:}\right|_{2}.$$

 For other distance matrices this gives us an approach to covert to a similarity matrix or kernel matrix so we can perform classical MDS.