

Last time

LSH

- important technique for solving approx nearest neighbor queries
- idea: construct hash fns that are likely to map similar items to same bucket

Today

PCA

principal components analysis

data dependent dimensionality reduction

Credit for figures:

Roughgarden & Valiant

John Benedetto

Novemore et al

Alex Williams

Sandipan Dey

Leskovec, Rajaraman, Ullman slides

data set

$x_1, \dots, x_m$   
 $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$n=4$

	kale	taco bell	sashimi	pop tarts
Alice	10	1	2	7
Bob	7	2	1	10
Carolyn	2	9	7	3
Dave	3	6	10	2

$m=4$

$a_{i1} \quad a_{i2}$

$v_1 = (3, -3, -3, 3)$

$v_2 = (1, -1, 1, -1)$

Table 1: Your friends' ratings of four different foods.

$\bar{x} = (5.5, 4.5, 5, 5.5)$

$x_i \approx \bar{x} + a_{i1}v_1 + a_{i2}v_2$

$x_i - \bar{x}$

	kale	taco bell	sashimi	pop tarts
Alice	4.5	-3.5	-3	1.5
Bob	1.5	-3	-4	4.5
Carolyn	-3.5	4.5	2	-2.5
Dave	-2.5	1.5	5	-3.5

$\bar{x} + 1 \cdot v_1 + 1 \cdot v_2$   
 $= (9.5, 0.5, 3, 7.5)$

$\sum (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$

	kale	taco bell	sashimi	pop tarts
Alice	1.5	-0.5	0	-2.5
Bob	-2.5	0	-1	1.5
Carolyn	-0.5	1.5	-1	0.5
Dave	0.5	-1.5	2	-0.5

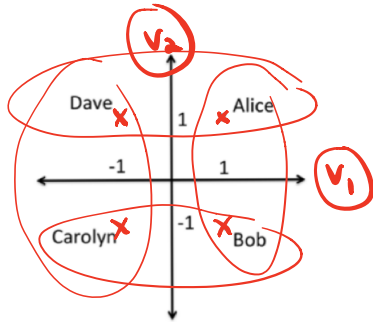
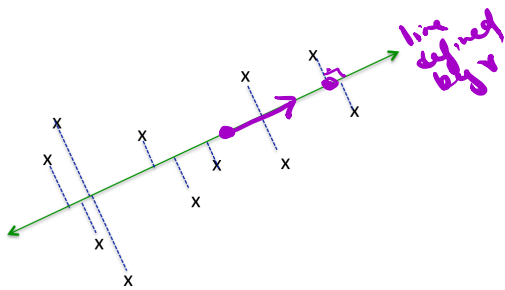


Figure 1: Visualizing 4-dimensional data in the plane.

$x_1, \dots, x_m$   
 represent them approx.  $v_i$   
 $x_i \approx \sum_{j=1}^k a_{ij} v_j$

- JL dim reduction vs PCA
- cares about preserving distances
  - coordinates had no meaning
  - $\frac{\log n}{\epsilon^2}$  dimensions to preserve distances  $1 \pm \epsilon$
- doesn't
- goal to find meaning in vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_k$
- useful even if  $k=1,2$
- goal: to find "intrinsic" dimensionality





- PCA: preprocessing
- 1) subtract out mean
  - 2) from a practical perspective scale coordinates.

$$x_{ij} = \frac{x_{ij}}{\sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^m x_{kj}^2}}$$

$k=1:$

Objective: choose  $\vec{v}$  so as to minimize  $\|\vec{v}\|=1$

$$\text{minimize } \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \left[ \text{dist}(x_i \text{ to line defined by } v) \right]^2$$

Claim: this is the same thing as choosing  $v$  of length 1 to maximize  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i, v)^2$

$$(x_i, v)^2 + \text{dist}^2 = \|x_i\|^2$$

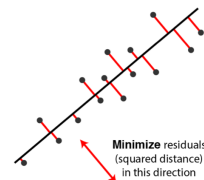
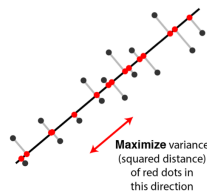
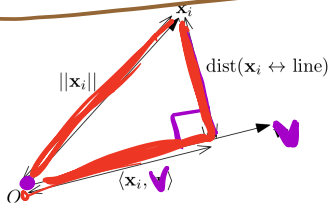


Figure 4: The geometry of the inner product.

Two equivalent views of principal component analysis.

$$x = (x_i, v) \text{ w/ prob } \frac{1}{m}$$

$$E(x) = 0 \quad \frac{1}{m} \sum_i (x_i, v) = \frac{1}{m} (\sum_i x_i, v) = 0$$

$$Var(x) = E((x - \bar{x})^2) = E(x^2)$$

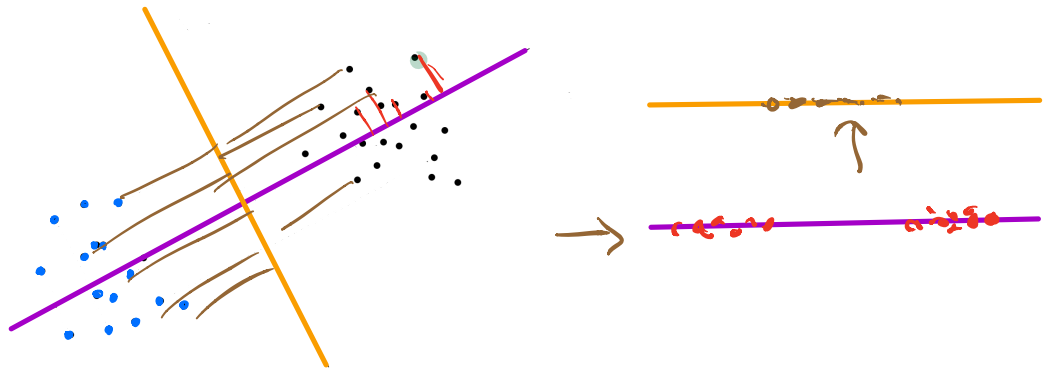


Figure 5: For the good line, the projection of the points onto the line keeps the two clusters separated, while the projection onto the bad line merges the two clusters.

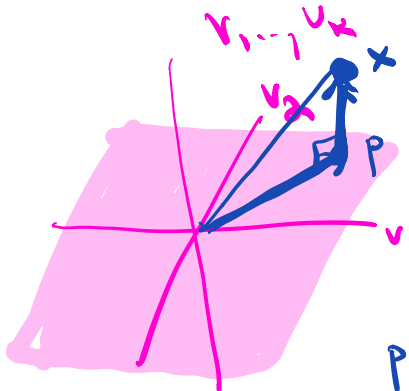
larger  $k$  objective  
find  $k$ -dim subspace  $S$

so as to max  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\text{length of } x_i \text{'s projection to } S)^2$

Find set of  $k$  orthonormal vectors.

$$\|v_i\|^2 = 1$$

$$(v_i, v_j) = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow$$

subspace set of all vectors that can be written as  $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j v_j$

$$p = a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2$$

$$(x - p, v_1) = 0$$

$$(x, v_1) = (p, v_1) = (a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2, v_1) = a_1 (v_1, v_1) + a_2 (v_2, v_1) = a_1 \cdot 1 + a_2 \cdot 0$$

$$u \cdot v = (u, v) = u^T v$$

$$a_1 = (x, v_1)$$

$$\|p\|^2 = \left( \underline{a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2}, \underline{a_1 v_1 + a_2 v_2} \right) = a_1^2 + a_2^2 = (x, v_1)^2 + (x, v_2)^2$$



objective: find  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  orthonormal  
 to maximize  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k (x_i, v_j)^2$   
 avg. sum of squared projected lengths.

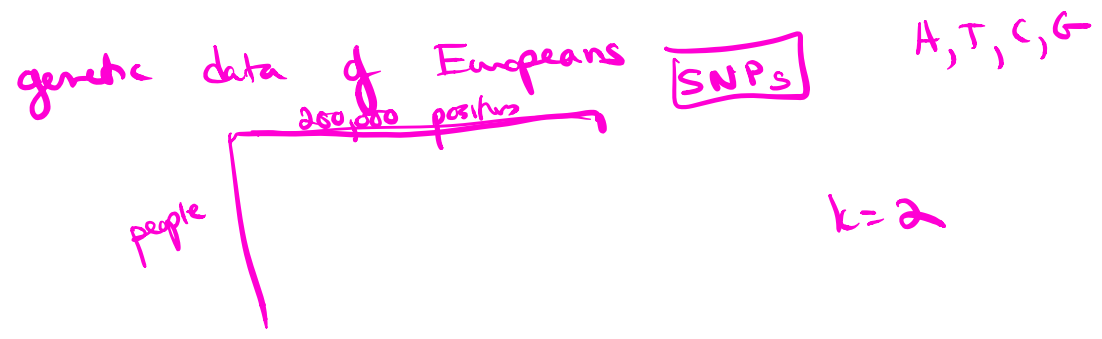
Application: Visualization.

① Perform PCA  $\rightarrow$   $v_1, \dots, v_k$  top k "principal components"

②  $\forall x_i$ : define " $v_1$  coord", " $v_2$  coord", ..., " $v_k$  coord"  
 $(x_i, v_1)$   
 $(x_i, v_2)$   
 $\vdots$   
 $(x_i, v_k)$

③ Plot your pts  
 $x_i = ((x_i, v_1), (x_i, v_2), (x_i, v_3))$

- look for clusters
- look what are pts particularly large along  $v_1$



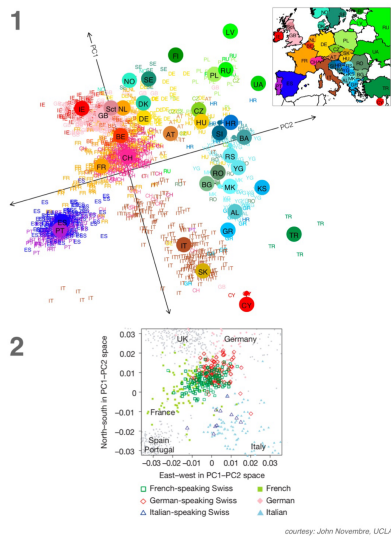
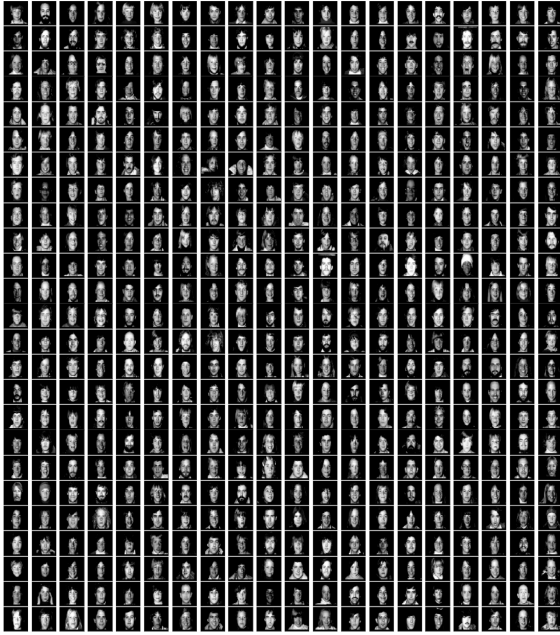


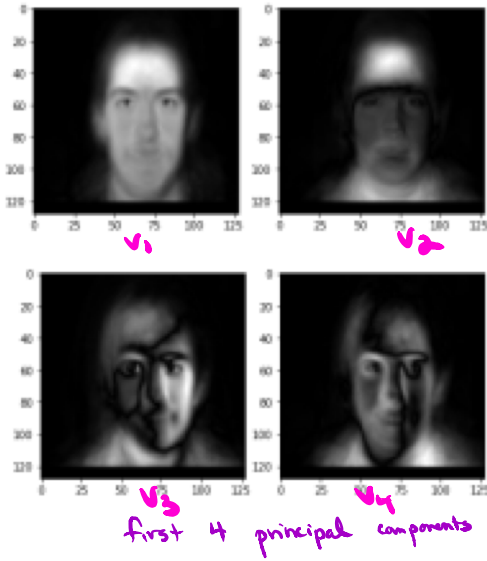
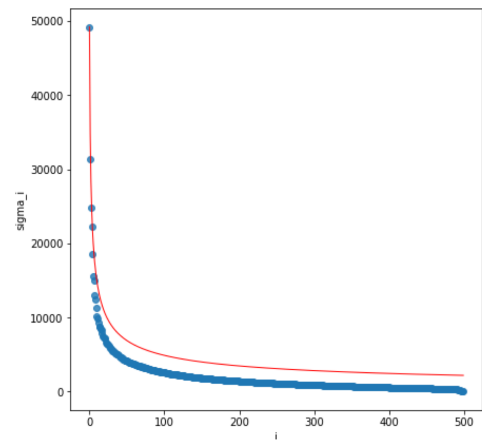
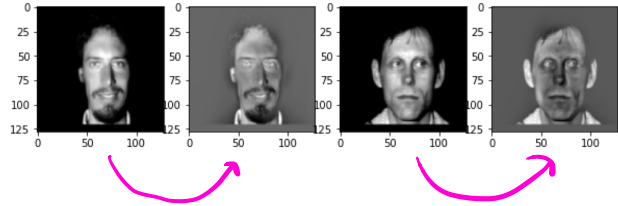
Figure 1: The genetic map of Europe using PCA, with the geographic map of Europe for reference. Figure 2: The same map, but zoomed in on Switzerland. Swiss individuals tend to cluster with countries that speak the same language. (Courtesy: John Novembre, UCLA)

Application 2: Compression  
Eigenfaces.

500 faces



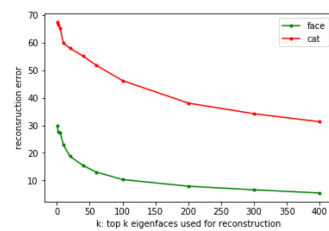
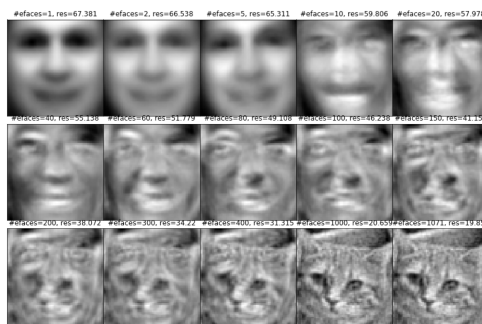
2 examples of images after subtracting "mean" face.

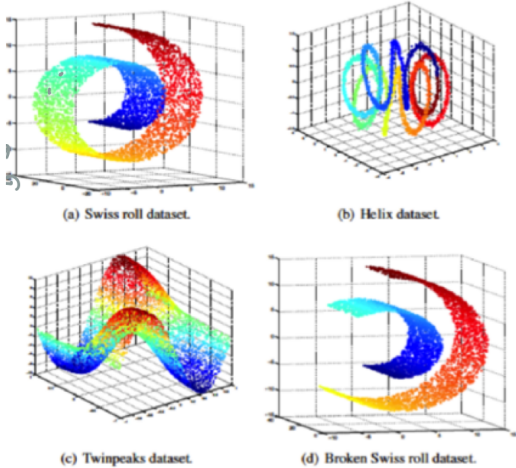


### Original Face Image



### eigenfaces space





How PCA works

$k=1$  find  $v$  s.t.  $\|v\|=1$   
to maximize  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i \cdot v)^2$

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Xv = \begin{pmatrix} (x_1, v) \\ \vdots \\ (x_m, v) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(Xv)^T = \begin{pmatrix} (x_1, v) & \dots & (x_m, v) \end{pmatrix} \cdot Xv$$

$$\underbrace{(Xv)^T}_{v^T X^T X} Xv = \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i \cdot v)^2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} (x_1, v) \\ \vdots \\ (x_m, v) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix} = v^T X^T X v$$

$$A = X^T X \rightarrow \text{correlation covariance}$$

find  $v$  to  
max  $v^T A v$

$$A_{kl} = \sum_{i=1}^m x_{ik} x_{il}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ x_1 & & x_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | & \dots & | \\ x_1 & & x_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$A$  is symmetric.

Suppose rows of  $X$  are documents, cols words

$$\max_{\|v\|=1} \underline{\underline{v^T A v}}$$

Every symmetric

Suppose  $A =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 1 & 0 \\ & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$$

$$v^T A v$$

$$\rightarrow 2 \cdot v_1^2 + 1 \cdot v_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot v_3^2$$

$$\underline{\underline{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + v_3^2 = 1}}$$

$$v_1 = 1$$

$$v = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & & \\ & \lambda_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$$

$$\sum \lambda_i v_i^2$$

$$\sum v_i^2 = 1$$

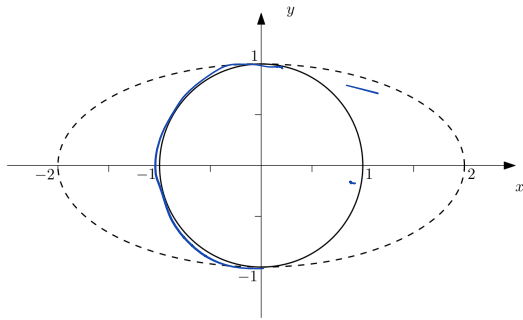


Figure 1: The point  $(x, y)$  on the unit circle is mapped to  $(2x, y)$ .

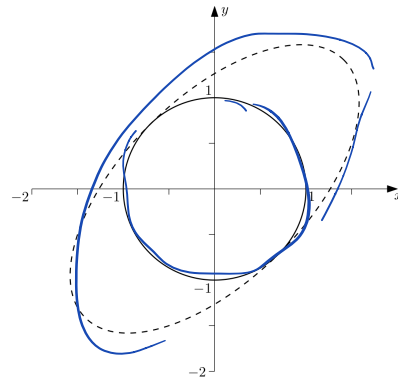


Figure 2: The same scaling as Figure 1, but now rotated 45 degrees.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{rotate back } 45^\circ} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{stretch}} \cdot \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{rotate clockwise } 45^\circ} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = Q D Q^T$$

$n \times n$       diagonal

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} | & | & | \\ q_1 & q_2 & q_3 \\ | & | & | \end{pmatrix} \quad Q^T = \begin{pmatrix} \hline q_1 \\ \hline q_2 \\ \hline q_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

orthogonal  $\equiv$  cols are orthonormal  
 $\|q_i\|^2 = 1$        $(q_i, q_j) = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$

Special

$$\begin{aligned} & (Q v)^T Q v \\ &= v^T \underbrace{Q^T Q}_I v = v^T v \end{aligned}$$

orthogonal matrices preserve length.

$$\begin{aligned} Q Q^T &= I \\ Q^T Q &= I \end{aligned}$$

$$\max v^T A v = v^T \underbrace{Q D Q^T}_{y = Q^T v} v$$

if  $\|v\|=1 \Rightarrow \|y\|=1 \leftarrow \sum y_j^2 = 1$

$$y^T D y = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_j^2$$

$$y_1=1 \quad y_j=0 \quad j>1$$

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots$$

$$y = e_1$$

$$e_1 = Q^T v$$

$$Q e_1 = \underbrace{Q Q^T}_{I} v$$

$$v = Q e_1 = q_1 \text{ (first col of } Q)$$

M. z  $z$  is eigenvector of eigenvalue  $\lambda$   
 $Mz = \lambda z$

Observation  $Q e_j$  is eigenvector of matrix  $A$  corresponding to eigenvalue  $\lambda_j$

$\Rightarrow Q e_j$  " " "  $\lambda_j$

$$\underline{A Q e_j} = Q \underbrace{D Q^T}_{I} Q e_j = Q D e_j = Q \lambda_j e_j = \lambda_j \underline{Q e_j}$$

(first col of  $Q$ )

$$v^T A v$$

Soln for  $k=1$  : largest eigenvector of  $A = X^T X$

$$A = Q D Q^T$$



to do PCA w/  $k=1$

find unit vector  $v$  that maximizes  $v^T \frac{X^T X}{A} v$

principal eigenvector of  $A$

$$A = Q D Q^T$$

$$v^T \frac{X^T X}{A} v$$

set of all eigenvectors

$$v \begin{bmatrix} \psi_{e_1} = q_1 \\ \vdots \\ \psi_{e_n} = q_n \end{bmatrix}$$

diag of  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$   
all nonneg.  $\uparrow$

$u_0$  random vector.

eigenvectors  $q_1, \dots, q_n$  are a basis

$$u_0 = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j q_j$$

$$A u_0 = \sum_j c_j A q_j = \sum_j c_j \lambda_j q_j$$

$$A \sum_j c_j \lambda_j q_j = \sum_j c_j \lambda_j A q_j = \sum_j c_j \lambda_j^2 q_j$$

$$A \sum_j c_j \lambda_j^2 q_j = \sum_j c_j \lambda_j^3 q_j$$

$$A^k u_0 = \sum_j c_j \lambda_j^k q_j$$

$$= \lambda_1^k \left[ c_1 q_1 + \dots \right]$$

$$\lambda_3 \leq \lambda_2 < \lambda_1$$

$$= \boxed{c_1 \lambda_1^k} q_1$$

rescale  $\Rightarrow q_1$

$$\left( c_2 \frac{\lambda_2^k}{\lambda_1^k} q_2 + c_3 \frac{\lambda_3^k}{\lambda_1^k} q_3 + \dots \right)$$

**Algorithm 1**  
**POWER ITERATION**

Given matrix  $A = X^T X$ :

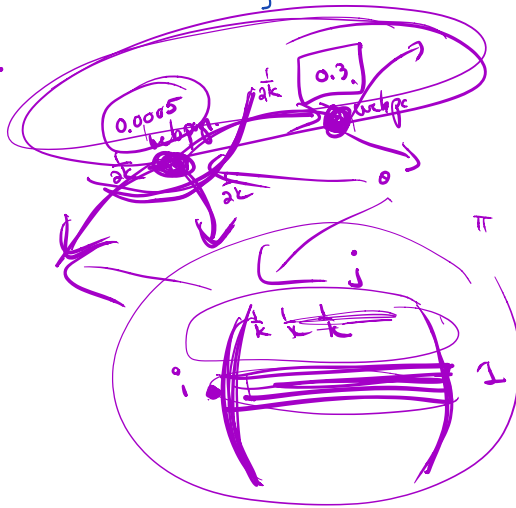
- Select random unit vector  $u_0$
- For  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ , set  $u_i = A^i u_0$ . If  $u_i / \|u_i\| \approx u_{i-1} / \|u_{i-1}\|$ , then return  $u_i / \|u_i\|$ .

$O\left(\frac{\log\left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}\right)}{\log\left(\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_2}\right)}\right)$   
 iterations.

$A u_0$   
 $A A^2 A^4 A^8$   
 $u_1 = A u_0$   
 $u_2 = A u_1$   
 $u_3 = A u_2$   
 $\vdots$   
 $u_i = A^i u_0$

$\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$   
 vector not changing.

PageRank.



1. Find the top component,  $v_1$ , using power iteration.
2. Project the data matrix orthogonally to  $v_1$ :

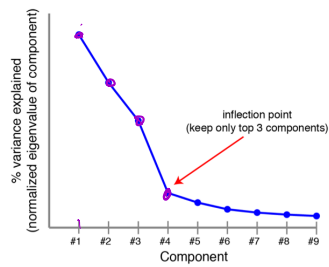
$$\begin{bmatrix} - & x_1 & - \\ - & x_2 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & x_m & - \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} - & (x_1 - (x_1, v_1)v_1) & - \\ - & (x_2 - (x_2, v_1)v_1) & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & (x_m - (x_m, v_1)v_1) & - \end{bmatrix}$$

This corresponds to subtracting out the variance of the data that is already explained by the first principal component  $v_1$ .

3. Recurse by finding the top  $k - 1$  principal components of the new data matrix.

Singular value decomposition.  $\swarrow$

$O(n^2m)$   
 $O(m^2n)$



**Scree plot.** Principal components are ranked by the amount of variance they capture in the original dataset, a scree plot can provide some sense of how many components are needed.