

PCA redistribution of “energy”

Recall “amount of structure” is quantified as:

$$\text{“sum of squares about the mean”} = \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}}\|^2$$

And insight comes from “decomposition” (ANOVA)

[\[toy_graphic\]](#)

PCA redistribution of “energy” (cont.)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}}\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}})^t (\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}}) = (n-1) \text{tr}(\tilde{X}^t \tilde{X})$$

where:

$$\tilde{X} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \left(\underline{X}_1 - \underline{\bar{X}} \quad \dots \quad \underline{X}_n - \underline{\bar{X}} \right)_{d \times n}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}}\|^2 = (n-1) \text{tr}(\tilde{X} \tilde{X}^t) = (n-1) \text{tr}(\hat{\Sigma})$$

- “Energy is expressed in trace of covariance matrix”

PCA redistribution of “energy” (cont.)

$$\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\underline{X}_i - \underline{\bar{X}}\|^2 = \text{tr}(BDB^t) = \text{tr}(BB^t D) = \text{tr}(D) = \sum_{j=1}^d \lambda_j$$

- Eigenvalues provide “atoms of SS decomposition”
- Useful Plots are:

“Power Spectrum”: λ_j vs. j

“log Power Spectrum”: $\log(\lambda_j)$ vs. j

“Cumulative Power Spectrum”: $\sum_{j'=1}^j \lambda_{j'}$ vs. j

Recall [PCA graphic](#) (get SS for free, but watch factors of $\sqrt{n-1}$)

Different Views of PCA

Recall [2-d graphic](#)

1. Direction to maximize SS of 1-d projected data
2. Direction to minimize SS of residuals
(same, by Pythagorean Theorem)
3. “Best fit line” to data in “orthogonal sense”
(vs. “regression of Y on X” = vertical sense
& “regression of X on Y” = horizontal sense)