

From last meetings

Class Web Page:

<http://www.stat.unc.edu/faculty/marron/321FDAhome.html>

Important duality:

Object Space



Feature Space

Goal I: Understanding “population structure”.

PCA for curves (simulated parabolas)

Show CurvDat\ParabsCurvDat.ps

PCA for Images:

E.g. 3: Cornea Data

Again show CorneaRobust\NORMLWR.MPG

PCA: can find direction of greatest variability

Again show CorneaRobust/SimplePCAeg.ps

Main problem: display of result (no overlays for images)

Solution: show movie of “marching along the direction vector”

Show CorneaRobust\NORM100.MPG

PCA for Images, E.g. 3: Cornea Data

PC1:

Mean: mild vertical astigmatism
(known population structure called “with the rule”)

Main direction: “more curved” & “less curved”
(corresponds to first optometric measure)

Also: “stronger astigmatism” & “no astigmatism”

Note: found **correlation** between astigmatism and curvature

Projections (**blue lines**): Looks like Gaussian (Normal) dist'n

PCA for Images, E.g. 3: Cornea Data

PC2:

Show CorneaRobust\NORM200.MPG

Mean: same as above (common centerpoint)

Projections: edge effects \Rightarrow “outliers”

\Rightarrow “pulls off PC direction”????

Show CorneaRobust\OutliersPCA.ps

Ophthalmologists: no problem, always “ignore edge effects”,
This direction is known: “steep at the top & bottom”

PCA for Images, E.g. 3: Cornea Data

Me: Arrggghh!!!! Outliers are very dangerous

Approach described later: Robust PCA

Results:

Robust PC1: captures same structure

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Robust PC2: Same structure
unaffected by outlier
Gaussian projection distribution

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PCA for Images, E.g. 3: Cornea Data

PC3:

Regular: Edge effect outlier is present,
Astigmatism “with the rule” and “against the rule”

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Robust: Eliminate outliers
But main effect diminished

Show CorneaRobust\NORM322.MPG

Overall: insightful “views of population structure”

PCA for Shapes:

E.g. 4: Corpora Callosa Data

Again show CorpColl\CCFrawAlls3.mpg

PCA, part 1: shapes

PC1: major bending (note outlier)

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PC2: shape of ends

Show CorpColl\CCFpcaSCs3PC2.mpg

PC3: fat & thin

Show CorpColl\CCFpcaSCs3PC3.mpg

PCA for Shapes: E.g. 4: Corpora Callosa Data

PCA part 2: projections

New goal: discrimination (classification)

Projected data now shown as dots (not **lines**), colored as:
Schizophrenics **Controls**

Hope: two well separated clusters

Reality: didn't happen (but 80-d space is very large!)

E.g. 4: Corpora Callosa Data

Alternate view: Parallel coordinates

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- Top: lots of common structure (mean is large component)
- Middle: large “dynamic range”, expected from Fourier decomp. of smooth signal.
- Bottom: non-Gaussian in direction of kurtosis

E.g. 4: Corpora Callosa Data

Discrimination by parallel coordinates?

Show CorpColl\CCFParCorSCs3.ps

- not helpful
- red looks dominant: overplot problem
- conclude: parallel coordinates not a very useful view

Fisher Linear Discrimination

Idea: separate subpop'ns by “diff'nce between sample means”

Improvement: take covariance structure into account

show: HDLSS\HDLSSoldDisc1.ps

Corpora Callosa application:

Show: CorpColl\CCFfldSCs3.mpg

- Great separation of subpopulations?!?
- Image doesn't change when marching along vector?

Corpora Callosa Fisher Linear Discrimination

Major problem: $n = 71 < 80 = d$:

- gives “directions of perfect separation” (~8 dim subspace!)
- \exists a **very small** change in this direction (watch pixels)
- numerics: use pseudo-inverse of covariance matrix
- is FLD direction interesting or useful?

Corpora Callosa Fisher Linear Discrimination (cont.)

Zoom in on FLD direction:

Show: CorpColl\CCFfldSCs3.mpg

- Only pixel sampling artifacts
- Expect big changes with new data
- Direction neither useful nor insightful
- A source of difficulty is means very close

Show CorpColl\CCFmeanSCs3.ps

Corpora Callosa Discrimination

Alternate approach: “Orthogonal Subspace Projection”

Will develop method later, for now see results

Show: CorpColl\CCFospSCs3RS11o2.mpg and CorpColl\CCFospSCs3RS12o1.mpg

- seems to find “real shape difference”
- is this effect really there?
- I.e. Is it stable with respect to new data?
- Is it useful?

Big Picture

- I. Data examples (curves, images, shapes)
- II. PCA for Visualization
- III. FLD for discrimination

Now look more carefully (but still heuristically) at:

- a. Robust PCA for cornea data
- b. Orthogonal Subspace Projection for Corpora Callosa data

Cornea Data

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PCA gave good insights

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But e.g. PC2 may have been affected by outliers

Naïve approach: “outlier deletion”

Problem: >4 outliers (> 10% of data)

Robust Statistics

Major dichotomy:

View 1: Outliers are “bad data”, delete them

View 2: Outliers have problems, but also “contain useful info”,
So control their “influence”

E.g. the mean “feels outliers strongly” (“breakdown pt.” = 0)
The median allows outliers to only vote
 (“breakdown pt.” = 50%)

Source of major (unfortunately bitter) debate!

Robust PCA

Approaches in literature:

1. Projection pursuit: idea replace “variance” in PCA optimization problem by “robust measure of spread”

Problem: non-quadratic optimization \Rightarrow slow to compute for high d (> 4 or 6 , but we have 66)

2. Robust covariance matrix estimation

Problem: existing methods assume “affine invariance”, which requires $n > d$

Robust PCA for $d > n$

First problem (previously ignored):

Sample mean \bar{x} can be seriously affected by outliers

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Fix by using “median”?

What is “multivariate median”?

Multivariate Medians

(generated from different characterizations of univariate median)

- i. Coordinate-wise median: often worst
(can lie on convex hull of data)
- ii. Simplicial depth: slow to compute
(idea: measure “paint thickness” of $d + 1$ dim
“simplices” with corners at data)
- iii. Huber’s L^1 M-estimate:
(idea: project data on sphere, move sphere to make
avg. of projected data at center)