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Day 1

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- Linear Algebra
- Least Squares
- Intro to CS

Face recognition

$\{\phi_i, l_i\}_{i=1}^N$  —  $\phi_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$   
 $\phi_i$  is image of person  $l_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, G\}$   
under some illumination.

Given multiple images per person, and a new image  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  
determine which person  $y$  is.

Expect  $y \approx \sum_i c_i \phi_i$  where  $c$  is nonzero only on  
images of single subject.

Let  $\Phi = (\phi_1 | \phi_2 | \dots | \phi_N)$   $c$  is sparse.

Find  $c$  such that  $y \approx \Phi c$  &  $c$  is mostly zero

## Sparse Image Recovery

Consider a  $100 \times 100$  pixel image of sky at night.  
Most pixels black. Say, 10 pixels white.

How many measurements must be taken in order  
to recover image?

A measurement of  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is given by  $a_i \cdot x = b_i$  for known  $a_i, b_i$

Q: Is it  $\approx 10,000$ ? or roughly 10? A: roughly 10

Potential: Acquire signal in compressed form, instead  
of measuring all pixels & throwing away data  
in compression.

## Big Questions:

Setup:

A signal  $X \in \mathbb{R}^n$  has some sparsity structure.  
Given  $m$  measurements of  $X \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , find  $X$ .

Qs:

How many  $m$  are required?

How many  $m$  permit efficient algorithm for recovery?  
what algorithm?

What types of measurements are ok?

What happens if there is noise?

Signal recovery without structure:

Let  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be arbitrary. Let  $a_i \cdot x_0 = b_i \quad i=1 \dots m$

Given  $\{a_i, b_i\}_{i=1}^m$ , find  $x_0$ .

How many  $m$  are required?

$$m \geq n$$

Consider case  $m=n$ . How do you find  $x_0$ ?

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 & - \\ -a_2 & - \\ \vdots & \\ -a_n & - \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

Solve  $Ax=b$  by LU and back substitution

When does this work?

If  $\{a_i\}_{i=1}^n$  are linearly independent,  
then  $x_0$  is unique solution to  $Ax=b$ .

How robust to errors?

$$\text{Suppose } b = Ax_0 + e.$$

$$\text{Solve } Ax=b.$$

How big is error in  $x$  in terms of error in  $b$ ?

$$A(x-x_0) = e$$

$$x-x_0 = A^{-1}e \quad \text{spectral norm}$$

$$\|x-x_0\|_2 \leq \|A^{-1}\| \|e\|_2$$

$$\|x-x_0\|_2 \leq \frac{1}{\sigma_{\min}(A)} \|e\|_2$$

Relative Error:

$$\|x\|_2 \\ Ax = b \Rightarrow \|Ax - b\|_2 \leq \|A\| \|x\|_2$$

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$$\frac{\|x - x_0\|_2}{\|x_0\|_2} \leq \|A\| \|A^{-1}\| \frac{\|\epsilon\|_2}{\|b\|_2}$$

$$\frac{\|x - x_0\|_2}{\|x_0\|_2} \leq \underbrace{\frac{\sigma_{\max}(A)}{\sigma_{\min}(A)}}_{K} \frac{\|\epsilon\|_2}{\|b\|_2}$$

$K$  - condition number

What if  $m > n$  ?

Let  $b_i = a_i \cdot x_0$ ,  $i = 1 \dots m \geq n$ ,  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Find  $x$  by solving least squares

$$\min_x \|Ax - b\|_2^2 \quad \text{w/ } A = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1- \\ -a_2- \\ \vdots \\ -a_n- \end{pmatrix}$$

How to solve:

Karmanator  
Take deriv & set to 0

$$\nabla \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|_2^2 = \nabla \frac{1}{2} (Ax - b, Ax - b) \\ = A^t(Ax - b)$$

$$A^t A x = A^t b$$

$$x = (A^t A)^{-1} A^t b$$

If  $A = \widehat{Q} \widehat{R}$  is reduced QR

$$A = \widehat{Q} \widehat{R} \\ \left( \begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} \\ \end{array} \right)_{n \times n}$$

$$X = (\widehat{R}^t \widehat{R})^{-1} \widehat{R}^t \widehat{Q}^t b$$

$$X = R^{-1} \widehat{Q}^t b$$

Claim: If  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $m > n$ , full rank,

then  $\arg \min_x \|Ax - b\| \approx x_0$ .

If  $b = Ax + \epsilon$ , then

$$\frac{\|x - x_0\|}{\|x_0\|} \lesssim K(\hat{R}) \frac{\|\epsilon\|_2}{\|b\|} \quad \text{where } A = \hat{Q}\hat{R},$$

What measurement ~~vectors~~<sup>vectors</sup> lead to better error bands?

If  $a_i$  are all orthogonal and normal,  $\theta_{\min} = \frac{\pi}{K}$

If  $a_i$  are nearly parallel,  $\theta_{\min} \approx \frac{\pi}{K}$  large

# Compressed Sensing

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Setup:

$X_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  unknown signal

$\|X_0\|_0 = S \ll n$ , so  $X_0$  is sparse

measurement  $a_i \cdot X_0 = b_i$  or  $a_i \cdot X_0 = b_i + \epsilon_i$  noise

Given  $a_i$  &  $b_i$ , find  $X$ .

Want:

$$\min \|X\|_0 \text{ such that } Ax = b \quad \text{w} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} -a_1 \\ -a_2 \\ \vdots \\ -a_m \end{pmatrix}$$

Can't minimize  $\|X\|_0$  b/c NP-hard (combinatorially expensive)

Instead

$$\min \|X\|_1 \text{ such that } Ax = b$$

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Placing  $\check{A}^T$