

# Eigenface

## Outline

- Performance measurement
- Dimensionality reduction
- Face representation
  - Eigenfaces

## Face Classification



20 faces (i.e., classes), 9 examples (i.e., training data) of each

## Measuring Performance

- Classification accuracy:
  - The percentage of correctly labeled data by a classifier
- Validation: Split experimental data into training and test set
  - **Training set:** Data points used to build a classifier
  - **Test set:** Data points left out of training procedure

## Cross-Validation

- **$m$ -fold cross-validation**
  - Randomly split data into  $m$  equal-sized subsets
  - Train  $m$  times on  $m - 1$  subsets, test on left-out subset
  - Error is mean test error over left-out subsets
- **Leave-one-out**: Cross-validation with 1-point subsets
  - Very accurate but expensive; variance allows confidence measuring

## A Simple Method

- Idea: Search over training set for most similar image (e.g., in SSD sense) and choose its class
- This is the same as a 1-nearest neighbor classifier when feature space = image space
- Issues
  - Large storage requirements ( $nd$ , where  $n$  = image space dimensionality and  $d$  = number of faces in training set)
  - Correlation is computationally expensive

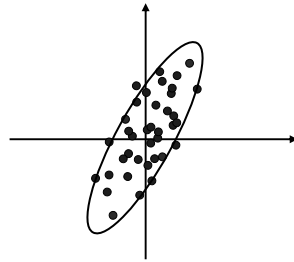
## Dimension reduction: Motivation

- Using images themselves as feature vectors is easy, but has problem of high dimensionality
  - A 100 x 100 image = 10,000-dimensional feature space!
- We want features that stay in low-dimensional spaces and result in well-separated classes

## Dimensionality Reduction: Projection

- Two popular schemes
  - Principal components analysis (PCA): Projection maximizing total variance of data
$$S_T = \sum_{k=1}^N (x_k - u)(x_k - u)^T$$
  - Fisher's Linear Discriminant (FLD): Maximize ratio of between-class variance to within-class variance

# Geometric Interpretation

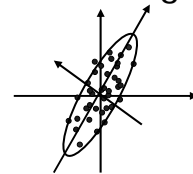


Covariance  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T$   
 where  $\mathbf{X}$  is zero-mean

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# Geometric Factorization of Covariance

- SVD of covariance matrix  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{R}^T$  describes geometric components of transform by extracting:
  - Diagonal scaling matrix  $\mathbf{D}$
  - Rotation matrix  $\mathbf{R}$



- E.g., given points  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , the covariance

factors as  $\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2.5 & 5 \\ 5 & 13 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .37 & -.93 \\ .93 & .37 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 15 & 0 \\ 0 & .5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .37 & .93 \\ -.93 & .37 \end{bmatrix}$

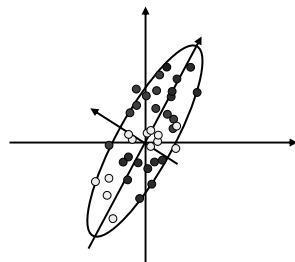
cos, sin of 70°  
major, minor axis lengths

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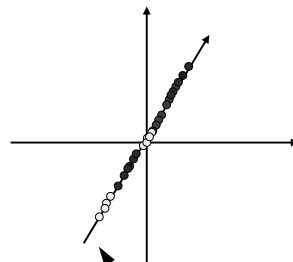
## PCA for Dimensionality Reduction

- Any point in  $n$ -dimensional original space can thus be expressed as a linear combination of the  $n$  eigenvectors (the rows of  $\mathbf{R}$ ) via a set of weights  $[\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_n]$
- By projecting points onto only the first  $k \ll n$  principal components (eigenvectors with the largest eigenvalues), we are essentially throwing away the least important feature information

### Projection onto Principal Components



Full  $n$ -dimensional space (here  $n = 2$ )



$k$ -dimensional subspace (here  $k = 1$ )

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## Eigenfaces

- Idea: Compress image space to “face space” by projecting onto principal components (“eigenfaces” = eigenvectors of image space)
  - Represent each face as a low-dimensional vector (weights on eigenfaces)
  - Measure similarity in face space for classification
- Advantage: Storage requirements are  $nk$  instead of  $nd$

## Eigenfaces: Initialization

- Calculate eigenfaces
  - Compute  $n$ -dimensional mean face  $\Psi$
  - Compute difference of every face from mean face  
 $\Phi_j = \Gamma_j - \Psi$
  - Form covariance matrix of these  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T$ , where  
 $\mathbf{A} = [\Phi_1, \Phi_2, \dots, \Phi_d]$
  - Extract eigenvectors  $\mathbf{u}_i$  from  $\mathbf{C}$  such that  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{u}_i = \lambda_i\mathbf{u}_i$
  - Eigenfaces are  $k$  eigenvectors with largest eigenvalues



Example eigenfaces

## Eigenfaces: Initialization

- Project faces into face space
  - Get eigenface weights for every face in the training set
  - The weights  $[\omega_{j1}, \omega_{j2}, \dots, \omega_{jk}]$  for face  $j$  are computed via dot products  $\omega_{ji} = \mathbf{u}_i^T \Phi_j$

## Calculating Eigenfaces

- Obvious way is to perform SVD of covariance matrix, but this is often prohibitively expensive
  - E.g., for 128 x 128 images,  $\mathbf{C}$  is 16,384 x 16,384
- Consider eigenvector decomposition of  $d \times d$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$ :  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i$ . Multiplying both sides on the left by  $\mathbf{A}$ , we have

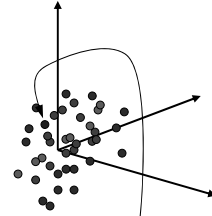
$$\mathbf{C} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i$$

- So  $\mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i$  are the eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T$



# Eigenfaces: Recognition

- Project new face into face space
- Classify
  - Assign class of nearest face from training set



Original face



8 eigenfaces



$[\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_8]$

Weights

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