Kernel-based Methods for Unsupervised Learning

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# Machine learning : a tentative big picture

Unsupervised learning (learning without a teacher)

• Find structure of  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ , given observations  $\mathbf{x}_i, \; i=1,...,n$ 

Supervised learning (*learning with a teacher*)

• Predict  $y \in \mathcal{Y}$  from  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ , given observations  $(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i), \ i = 1, ..., n$ 

# Machine learning : a tentative big picture

#### Applications in many fields

- Computer vision
- Bioinformatics
- Audio/speech processing
- Text mining
- Computational astronomy
- etc.

#### Interplays

interplay between statistics and optimization, with a look towards AI
 interplay between theory, algorithms, and real applications

#### **Dimension** reduction



#### Dimension reduction

- Computational efficiency : space and time savings
- Statistical performance : fewer dimensions  $\rightarrow$  regularization
- Visualization : discover underlying structure of the data

 $\rightarrow$  PCA and KPCA

Feature extraction





#### Feature extraction

- Multimodality : leverage the correlation between the modalities
- Statistical performance : take advantage of both views of the data
- Putting in relation : discover underlying relations between the modalities

#### $\rightarrow$ CCA and KCCA

#### Clustering





#### Clustering

- Semantics : grouping datapoints in meaningful clusters
- Statistical performance : intrinsic degrees of freedom of the data
- Visualization : discover groupings between datapoints
- ightarrow spectral clustering and temporal segmentation

Detection problems



#### Detection problems

- Balance risks : control detection rate with a guaranteed false alarm probability
- Power : detect differences not only in mean or covariance
- $\rightarrow$  homogeneity testing, change detection

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# Kernel methods

Machine Learning methods taking  $\mathbf{K} = [k(X_i, X_j)]_{i,j=1,...,n}$  (Gram matrix as input for processing a sample  $\{X_1, \ldots, X_n\}$ , where k(x, y) is a similarity measure between x and y defining a positive definite kernel.

#### Strengths of Kernel Methods

- Minimal assumptions on data types (vectors, strings, trees, graphs, etc.)
- Interpretation of k(x, y) as a dot product k(x, y) = ⟨φ(x), φ(y)⟩<sub>H</sub> in a reproducing kernel Hilbert space H where the observations are mapped via [φ : X → H] the feature map φ(•) = k(•, ·)

# Kernel methods

#### Positive-definite kernel

• definition : given a set of objects  $\mathcal{X}$ , a positive definite kernel is a symmetric function k(x, x') such that for all finite sequences of  $x_i \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\sum_{i,j} \alpha_i \alpha_j k(x_i, x_j) \ge 0 \; .$$

Aronszajn theorem : k is a positive-definite kernel iif there exists a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and a mapping  $\Phi(\cdot) : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{H}$  such that for any  $x, x' \in \mathcal{X}$ 

$$k(x, x') = \left\langle \Phi(x), \Phi(x') \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$
.

# Kernel methods

#### Reproducing kernel Hilbert space

- Assume k is a positive definite kernel on  $\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{X}$
- Aronszajn theorem : k is a positive-definite kernel iif there exists a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$  and a mapping  $\Phi(\cdot) : \mathcal{X} \to \mathcal{H}$  such that for any  $x, x' \in \mathcal{X}$

$$k(x, x') = \left\langle \Phi(x), \Phi(x') \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$
.

• Lexicon :  $\mathcal{X} = \mathsf{Input}$  space,  $\mathcal{H} = \mathsf{Feature}$  space,  $\Phi(\cdot) = \mathsf{Feature}$  map

#### Reproducing kernel Hilbert space

- Feature map is the Aronszajn map  $\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = k(\mathbf{x}, \cdot)$
- $\blacksquare$  Function evaluation  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \langle f, \Phi(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$
- Reproducing property  $k(x,y) = \langle \Phi(x), \Phi(y) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$

Example : space of shapes of birds



Feature map?

How does the feature map look like?

 $k(\checkmark, \cdot)$ 

#### Feature map?

The feature map is a function whose values span the whole range of shapes with varying magnitudes.



# Examples of Kernels

#### Kernels on vectors

$$\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{Polynomial} & k(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = (c + (\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}))^d \\ \mathsf{Laplace} & k(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = \exp(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_1/\sigma) \\ \mathsf{RBF} & k(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}) = \exp(-\|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2/\sigma^2) \end{array}$$

# Examples of Kernels

#### Kernels on histograms

Kernels built on top of divergence between probability distributions

$$\begin{split} \psi_{JD}(\theta,\theta') &= h\left(\frac{\theta+\theta'}{2}\right) - \frac{h(\theta) + h(\theta')}{2}, \\ \psi_{\chi^2}(\theta,\theta') &= \sum_i \frac{(\theta_i - \theta_i')^2}{\theta_i + \theta_i'}, \quad \psi_{TV}(\theta,\theta') = \sum_i |\theta_i - \theta_i'|, \\ \psi_{H_2}(\theta,\theta') &= \sum_i |\sqrt{\theta_i} - \sqrt{\theta_i'}|^2, \quad \psi_{H_1}(\theta,\theta') = \sum_i |\sqrt{\theta_i} - \sqrt{\theta_i'}|. \end{split}$$

$$k(\theta, \theta') = \exp(-\psi(\theta, \theta')/\sigma^2)$$
.

# The kernel jungle

#### Kernels on histograms

- Pyramid match kernels (Grauman and Darrell, 2005)
- Multiresolution (nested histograms) kernels (Cuturi, 2006)
- Walk and tree-walk kernels (Ramon & Gaertner, 2004; Harchaoui & Bach, 2007; Mahe et al., 2007)

#### Kernels from statistical generative models

- Mutual Information Kernels (Seeger, 2002)
- Fisher kernels (see Shawe-Taylor & Cristianini, 2004)

#### Other kernels

- Kernels of shapes and point coulds (Bach, 2007)
- Kernels on time series (Cuturi, 2007)

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#### Classical kernel trick

- Describes what happens to pairs of examples
- Focuses on the *pointwise* effect of the feature map on an example

#### "Remixed" kernel trick

- Describes what happens to a random sample from a probability distribution
- Focuses on the *global* effect of the feature map on a sample

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# Coordinate-free definitions of mean and covariance

#### Usual definitions

- need explicit basis to define quantities
  - ightarrow tricky in high-dimensional/ $\infty$ -dimensional feature spaces

#### Coordinate-free definitions

■ define quantities through their projections along any direction → allow direct application of the *reproducing property* 

# Mean vector and mean element

#### Empirical mean element

$$(\hat{\mu}, \mathbf{w}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} (\mathbf{x}_{\ell}, \mathbf{w})$$

$$\langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}), f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$$

## Mean vector and mean element

#### Empirical mean element

Empirical mean element  $\hat{\mu}$  of  $\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \forall f \in \mathcal{H}, \\ \langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \langle \phi(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}), f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \\ \langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \langle k(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}, \cdot), f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \\ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) \text{ (reproducing property)} \\ \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j} k(\mathbf{x}_{j}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell}) \text{, if } f(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j} k(\mathbf{x}_{j}, \cdot) \end{aligned}$$

# Centering in feature space

#### Gram matrix

 $\mathbf{K} = [k(X_i, X_j)]_{i,j=1,...,n}$  of all evaluations of the kernel  $k(\cdot, \cdot)$  on the sample  $\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_n$ .

#### Centering in feature space

To center all  $\phi(\mathbf{x}_1), \ldots, \phi(\mathbf{x}_n)$  simultaneously, do

$$\mathbf{K} \leftarrow \tilde{\mathbf{K}} = \Pi \mathbf{K} \Pi \; ,$$

where

$$\Pi = \mathbf{I}_n - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}_n \mathbf{1}_n^T \,.$$

## Covariance matrix and covariance operator

# $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Empirical covariance operator} \\ \mbox{Empirical covariance matrix } \hat{\Sigma} & \mbox{of} \\ \mbox{x}_1, \dots, \mbox{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P} \\ \\ \mbox{$\forall \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{X},$} \\ (\mbox{$\mathbf{w}, \hat{\Sigma} \mathbf{v}$}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^m (\mbox{$\mathbf{w}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_\ell$}) (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_\ell, \mbox{$\mathbf{v}$}) \\ \\ \mbox{$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_\ell = \mathbf{x}_\ell - \hat{\mu}$} . \end{array} \right. \\ \begin{array}{l} \mbox{Empirical covariance operator } \hat{\Sigma} & \mbox{of} \\ \mbox{Empirical covariance operator } \hat{\Sigma} & \mbox{of} \\ \mbox{x}_1, \dots, \mbox{$\mathbf{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P}$} \\ \\ \mbox{$\forall f, g \in \mathcal{H},$} \\ \\ \\ \mbox{$\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}g \rangle = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^m \left\langle f, \tilde{\phi}(\mbox{$\mathbf{x}_\ell$}) \right\rangle \left\langle \tilde{\phi}(\mbox{$\mathbf{x}_\ell$}), g \right\rangle \\ \\ \mbox{$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_\ell = \mathbf{x}_\ell - \hat{\mu}$} . \end{array} \right. } \end{array}$

## Covariance matrix and covariance operator

#### Covariance operator

Empirical covariance operator  $\hat{\Sigma}$  of  $\mathbf{x}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{x}_m\sim\mathbb{P}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \forall f, g \in \mathcal{H}, \\ \left\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}g \right\rangle &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \left\langle f, \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) \right\rangle \left\langle \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}), g \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \{ f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) - \langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \} \{ f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) - \langle \hat{\mu}, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \} \;. \end{aligned}$$

# Computing variance along a direction in feature space

Gram matrix  $\mathbf{K} = [k(X_i, X_j)]_{i,j=1,...,n}$  of all evaluations of the kernel  $k(\cdot, \cdot)$  on  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ .

Covariance along two directions

$$\left\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}g \right\rangle = \frac{1}{m} \alpha^T \tilde{\mathbf{K}} \tilde{\mathbf{K}} \beta ,$$

where

$$f(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_j k(\mathbf{x}_j, \cdot) ,$$
$$g(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_j k(\mathbf{x}_j, \cdot) .$$

## Mean element and covariance operator

Population mean element and covariance operator Population mean element  $\mu$  and population covariance operator  $\Sigma$  of  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbb{P}$ 

$$\langle \mu, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x})], \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}$$
  
 $\langle f, \Sigma g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \operatorname{Cov}[f(\mathbf{x}), g(\mathbf{x})], \quad \forall f, g \in \mathcal{H}$ 

Empirical mean element and covariance operator Empirical mean element  $\hat{\mu}$  and empirical covariance operator  $\hat{\Sigma}$  of  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P}$ 

$$\langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) , \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{H}$$

$$\left\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}g \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \{f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) - \langle \hat{\mu}, f \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \} \{f(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) - \langle \hat{\mu}, g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \} \quad \forall f, g \in \mathcal{H}$$

# Some casual considerations before the real stuff

#### Supervised learning

- least-square regression, kernel ridge regression, multilayer-perceptron → tackled through (possibly a sequence of) linear of systems
- Operation \ in Matlab/Octave

#### Unsupervised learning

- (kernel) principal component analysis, (kernel) canonical correlation analysis, spectral clustering
  - $\rightarrow$  tackled through (possibly a sequence of) eigenvalue problems
- Function eigs in Matlab/Octave

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# Kernel Principal Component Analysis (Schölkopf et al., 1998; Shawe-Taylor & Cristianini, 2004)

## Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

A brief refresher

- Let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  a dataset of points in  $\mathbf{R}^d$
- PCA is a classical method in multivariate statistics to define a set of orthogonal directions, called *principal components*, that capture the maximum variance
- Projection along the first 2-3 principal components allows to visualize the dataset

# Refresher on Principal Component Analysis

#### Computational aspects

- Maximum variance criterion corresponds to a Rayleigh quotient
- PCA boils down to an eigenvalue problem on the *centered* covariance matrix  $\hat{\Sigma}$  of the dataset, *i.e.* the principal components  $\mathbf{w}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{w}_d$  are the eigenvectors of  $\hat{\Sigma}$  (assuming n > d)
- Computational complexity : O(ndc) in time with a Singular Value Decomposition (SVD; see eigs in Matlab/Octave), with n the number of points, d the dimension, c the number of principal components retained; stochastic approximation version for nonstationary/large-scale datasets.

# Variance along a direction and Rayleigh quotients

#### Variance along a direction

PCA seeks for directions  $\mathbf{w}_1,\ldots,\mathbf{w}_c$  such that

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{w}_{j} &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}; \mathbf{w}_{j} \perp \{\mathbf{w}_{1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{j-1}\}} \operatorname{Var}_{\mathsf{emp}} \frac{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x})}{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}; \mathbf{w}_{j} \perp \{\mathbf{w}_{1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{j-1}\}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}_{i})^{2}}{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{d}; \mathbf{w}_{j} \perp \{\mathbf{w}_{1}, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{j-1}\}} \underbrace{\frac{(\mathbf{w}, \hat{\Sigma} \mathbf{w})}{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{w})}}_{\mathsf{Rayleigh quotient}}. \end{split}$$

Principal components  $\mathbf{w}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{w}_c$  are the first c eigenvectors of  $\hat{\Sigma}$ .

# Variance along a direction and Rayleigh quotients

#### Variance along a direction

KPCA seeks for directions  $f_1,\ldots,f_c$  such that

$$\begin{split} f_{j} &= \operatorname{argmax}_{f \in \mathcal{H}; f_{j} \perp \{f_{1}, \dots, f_{j-1}\}} \operatorname{Var_{emp}} \frac{\langle f, \phi(\mathbf{x}) \rangle}{\langle f, f \rangle} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{f \in \mathcal{H}; f_{j} \perp \{f_{1}, \dots, f_{j-1}\}} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{\langle f, \phi(\mathbf{x}_{i}) \rangle^{2}}{\langle f, f \rangle} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{f \in \mathcal{H}; f_{j} \perp \{f_{1}, \dots, f_{j-1}\}} \underbrace{\frac{\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}f \rangle}{\langle f, f \rangle}}_{\operatorname{Rayleigh quotient}}. \end{split}$$

Principal components  $f_1, \ldots, f_c$  are the first c eigenvectors of  $\hat{\Sigma}$ . Is that it?

#### Rescue theorems

#### Properties of covariance operators

RKHS Covariance operators are (Zwald et al., 2005, Harchaoui et al., 2008)

- self-adjoint ( $\infty$ -dimensional counterpart of symmetric)
- positive
- trace-class

#### Consequence

The covariance operator  $\hat{\Sigma}$  and the centered Gram matrix  $\tilde{K}$  share the same eigenvalues on the nonzero part of their spectra, and their eigenvectors are related by a simple relation.

# Kernel Principal Component Analysis

#### KPCA algorithm

- Center the Gram matrix
- Performs an SVD on  $\tilde{\mathbf{K}}$  to get the first c eigenvector/eigenvalue pairs  $(e_j, \lambda_j)_{j=1,...,c}$ .
- Normalize the eigenvector  $\tilde{e}_j \leftarrow e_j / \lambda_j$
- Projections onto the j-th eigenvectors is given by  $ilde{\mathbf{K}} ilde{e}_j$

# Computational aspects of KPCA

#### Computational aspects

- Maximum variance in feature space corresponds to a Rayleigh quotient
- $\blacksquare$  KPCA boils down to an eigenvalue problem involving the centered auto-covariance matrices  $\tilde{\mathbf{K}}$
- Computational complexity : O(cn<sup>2</sup>) in time with a Singular Value Decomposition (SVD; see eigs in Matlab/Octave), with n the number of points, c the number of principal components retained; stochastic approximation version for nonstationary/large-scale datasets.

# Low-dimensional representation with KPCA

#### Human body pose representation

- Walking sequence of length 400 (containing about 3 walking cycles) obtained from the CMU Mocap database
- Data : silhouette images of size (160 100) taken at a side view

Human body pose representation (Kim & Pavlovic, 2008)



# Low-dimensional representation with KPCA

#### Human body pose representation



# Low-dimensional representation with KPCA

#### Human body pose representation



# Super-resoluton with KPCA (Kim et al., 2005)

Super-resolution



# KPCA+n : unsupervised alignment (de la Torre & Nguyen, 2009)

#### Unsupervised alignment

KPCA + Rigid motion model

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# Applications

#### Popular

- Image denoising (digits, faces, etc.)
- Visualization of bioinformatics data (strings, proteins, etc.)
- Dimension-reduction of high-dimensional features (appearance, interest points, etc.)

#### Not so well-know property of KPCA

- Regularization in supervised learning can be enforced by projection → careful not to regularize twice !
- Useful in settings where ridge-regularization is impractical (Zwald et al., 2009; Harchaoui et al., 2009; Guillaumin et al., 2010)

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# Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis (Shawe-Taylor & Cristianini, 2004)

## Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA)

A brief refresher

- Let  $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1), \ldots, (\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n)$  a dataset of points in  $\mathbf{R}^d \times \mathbf{R}^p$ , for which two *views* are available : the "x-view" and the "y-view"
- CCA is a classical method from multivariate statistics to define a set of pairs of orthogonal directions, called *canonical variates*, that capture the *maximum correlation* between the two views.
- Projection along the first 2-3 pairs of canonical variates resp. of "x-view" and the "y-view" allows to visualize the components dataset maximizing the correlation between the two views.

# Refresher on Canonical Correlation Analysis

#### Computational aspects

- Maximum correlation criterion corresponds to a generalized Rayleigh quotient
- CCA boils down to a generalized eigenvalue problem involving the (centered) auto-covariance matrices \$\higstarrow\_{xx}\$ and \$\higstarrow\_{yy}\$ and on the (centered) cross-covariance matrix \$\higstarrow\_{xy}\$
- Computational complexity : O(n(d + p)c) in time with a Singular Value Decomposition (SVD; see eigs in Matlab/Octave), with n the number of points, d the dimension, c the number of canonical variates retained; stochastic approximation version for nonstationary/large-scale datasets.

# Cross-covariance matrix and cross-covariance operator

#### Empirical cross-covariance matrix

Empirical cross-covariance matrix $\hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}$ of $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_m \sim \mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{y}}$	Empirical cross-covariance operator $\hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{xy}}$ of $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_m \sim \mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_m \sim \mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{y}}$
$\forall \mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}$	$\forall f,g \in \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{H}$
$(\mathbf{w}, \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}\mathbf{v}) = rac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^m (\mathbf{w},  ilde{\mathbf{x}}_\ell)( ilde{\mathbf{y}}_\ell, \mathbf{v})$	$\left\langle f, \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}g \right\rangle = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{m} \left\langle f, \tilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) \right\rangle \left\langle \tilde{\psi}(\mathbf{y}_{\ell}), g \right\rangle$
$ ilde{\mathbf{x}_\ell} = \mathbf{x}_\ell - \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{x}}$	$ ilde{\phi}(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) = \phi(\mathbf{x}_{\ell}) - \hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{x}}$
$ ilde{\mathbf{y}_\ell} = \mathbf{y}_\ell - \hat{\mu}_\mathbf{y} \; .$	$ ilde{\psi}(\mathbf{y}_\ell) = \psi(\mathbf{y}_\ell) - \hat{\mu}_\mathbf{y} \; .$

# Covariance along two directions and generalized Rayleigh quotients

#### Covariance along two directions

CCA seeks for directions  $(\mathbf{w}_1,\mathbf{v}_1)$  such that  $^1$ 

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{v}_1) &= \mathsf{argmax}_{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^p} \; \frac{\mathrm{Cov}((\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x}), (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{y}))}{\mathrm{Var}^{1/2}((\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{x})\mathrm{Var}^{1/2}((\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{y}))} \\ &= \mathsf{argmax}_{(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{v}) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^p} \; \frac{(\mathbf{w}, \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{xy}} \mathbf{v})}{(\mathbf{w}, \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{xx}} \mathbf{w})^{1/2} (\mathbf{v}, \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{yy}} \mathbf{v})^{1/2}} \; . \end{split}$$

1. focus here on the first pair of canonical variates

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Covariance along two directions and generalized Rayleigh quotients

#### Generalized Rayleigh quotient

Canonical variates  $(\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{v}_1), \ldots, (\mathbf{w}_c, \mathbf{v}_c)$  are the first c pairs of vectors solutions of the generalized eigenvalue problem

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}} \\ \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \rho \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix}$$

# Covariance along two directions and generalized Rayleigh quotients

#### Covariance along two directions

Kernel CCA seeks for directions  $(f_1,g_1)$  such that <sup>2</sup>

$$\begin{split} (f_1,g_1) &= \operatorname{argmax}_{(f,g)\in\mathcal{H}\times\mathcal{H}} \; \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(\langle f,\phi(\mathbf{x})\rangle,\langle g,\psi(\mathbf{y})\rangle)}{\{\operatorname{Var}\langle f,\phi(x)\rangle + \epsilon\,\langle f,f\rangle\}^{1/2}\{\operatorname{Var}\langle g,\psi(x)\rangle + \epsilon\,\langle g,g\rangle\}^{1/2}} \\ &= \operatorname{argmax}_{(f,g)\in\mathcal{H}\times\mathcal{H}} \; \frac{\left\langle f,\hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{xy}}g\right\rangle}{\left\langle f,(\hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{xx}} + \frac{n\epsilon}{2})g\right\rangle^{1/2}\left\langle f,(\hat{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{yy}} + \frac{n\epsilon}{2})g\right\rangle^{1/2}} \; . \end{split}$$

2. focus here on the first pair of canonical variates

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# Correlation along two directions

#### Generalized eigenvalue problem

Coefficients of canonical variates  $(\alpha_1, \beta_1), \ldots, (\alpha_c, \beta_c)$  are the first c pairs of vectors solutions of the generalized eigenvalue problem

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{K}_x}\tilde{\mathbf{K}_y} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{K}_x}\tilde{\mathbf{K}_y} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \rho \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{K}_x}\tilde{\mathbf{K}_x} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{K}_y}\tilde{\mathbf{K}_y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

# Computational aspects of KCCA

#### Computational aspects

- Maximum correlation in feature space corresponds to a Rayleigh quotient
- KCCA boils down to a generalized eigenvalue problem involving the squared centered Gram matrices matrices  $\tilde{\mathbf{K}_x}^2 \tilde{\mathbf{K}_y}^2$  and the product of the Gram matrices  $\tilde{\mathbf{K}_x}\tilde{\mathbf{K}_y}$ .
- Computational complexity : O(cn<sup>2</sup>) in time with a Singular Value Decomposition (SVD; see eigs in Matlab/Octave), with n the number of points, c the number of principal components retained; stochastic approximation version for nonstationary/large-scale datasets.

# Multimedia content based image retrieval with KCCA

#### Multimedia

- $\blacksquare Multimedia \text{ content} \rightarrow multi-view \text{ data}$
- $\blacksquare$  images with text captions : text  $\rightarrow$  "x"-view, image  $\rightarrow$  "y"-view

#### Multimedia content based image retrieval (Hardoon et al, 2004)



Image	Label	Keywords
$I_1$	Sports	position college weight born lbs height guard
$I_2$	Aviation	na air convair wing
$I_3$	Paintball	check darkside force gog strike odt

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