## **Recitation 8**

LDA







## Let's say that we this hypothetical 2-dimensional feature space.

Here I am showing each image in this feature space. Red and Blue are the two classes.

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Q. Which direction will is the first principle component?

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PCA can project the data such that it will become harder to separate the two classes







## The ideal projection should make it easy to differentiate between images from two classes







Fischer's Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)

• Goal: find the best separation between two classes







## Difference between PCA and LDA

## • PCA preserves maximum variance

- PCA maximizes our ability to reconstruct each image
- Doesn't help us find the best projection for classification
- LDA preserves discrimination (difference between categories)
  Find projection that maximizes scatter between classes and minimizes scatter within classes





## How LDA reduces dimentionality

• Using two classes as example:







## Basic intuition: PCA vs. LDA





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## First, let's calculate the per category statistics

• We want to learn a dimension reduction **projection W** such that the projection converts all image features **x** to a lower dimensional space:

$$z = w^T x$$
  $z \in \mathbf{R}^m$   $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ 

• First, let's calculate the **per class** means be:

$$\mu_i = E_{X|Y}[X|Y=i]$$

• And the **per class** covariance matrices are:

$$C_{i} = [(X_{i} - \mu_{i})(X_{i} - \mu_{i})^{T} | Y = i]$$





## Using the per class means and covariance, we want to minimize the following objective:

We want a projection that maximizes:  $J(w) = \max \frac{between \ class \ scatter}{within \ class \ scatter}$ 





# What does J(w) look like when we only have 2 classes

The following objective function:

$$J(w) = \frac{between \ class \ scatter}{within \ class \ scatter}$$

Can be written as

$$J(w) = \frac{|E_{Z|Y}[Z|Y=1] - E_{Z|Y}[Z|Y=0]|^2}{\operatorname{var}[Z|Y=1] + \operatorname{var}[Z|Y=0]}$$

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denom: write out each Z as the reduction of x using w, and we have the square as it's the variance equation LDA with 2 variables

• Numerator: We can write the **between** class scatter as:

$$|E_{Z|Y}[Z|Y=1] - E_{Z|Y}[Z|Y=0]|^2 = |w^T(\mu_1 - \mu_0)|^2$$
$$= w^T(\mu_1 - \mu_0)(\mu_1 - \mu_0)^T w$$

• Each part of Denominator: Also, the within class scatter becomes:

$$var[Z|Y = i] = E_{Z|Y}[w^{T}(x - \mu_{i})^{2}|Y = i]$$
  
=  $E_{Z|Y}[w^{T}(x - \mu_{i})(x - \mu_{i})^{T}w|Y = i]$   
=  $w^{T}C_{i}w$ 



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$$S_B = (\mu_1 - \mu_0)(\mu_1 - \mu_0)^T$$

Between class scatter

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$$S_W = (C_1 + C_0)$$

Within class scatter

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## Visualizing $\rm S_w$ and $\rm S_B$



Between class scatter





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• And can be accomplished using Lagrange multipliers, where we define the Lagrangian as

$$L = w^T S_B w - \lambda \left( w^T S_W w - K \right)$$

 $\bullet$  And maximize with respect to both w and  $\lambda$ 



• Setting the gradient of  $L = w^T (S_B - \lambda S_W) w + \lambda K$  to 0

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• The solution is easy when  $S_w$  has an inverse:

$$S_W^{-1} = (C_1 + C_0)^{-1}$$

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We want to find the optimal w. Q. What does this look like?

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The solution is the eigenvector of  $\ S_W^{-1}S_B$  corresponding to the largest eigenvalue

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## LDA with C classes

Same as when C=2. Except  $S_W$  and  $S_B$  now include all classes.

$$S_W = \sum_i C_i$$
$$S_B = \sum_i \sum_{j \neq i} (\mu_i - \mu_j)^2$$





## PCA vs. LDA

- PCA exploits the max scatter of the training images in face space
- LDA attempt to maximise the **between class scatter**, while minimising the **within class scatter**.





