



Principal Component analysis

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- ▶ What if we could do the opposite? I.e. given a matrix \mathbf{M} , what would be the vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} that closest represents \mathbf{M} so that $\mathbf{M} \approx \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$. This is in essence what you do with principal component analysis (PCA).



Conspicuous Example

- ▶ See notebook



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- ▶ In this manner we can derive as many principal components as there are rows or columns (which ever is the lowest number) in \mathbf{M} . In most applications, we settle for two such components.



Thanks!