# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

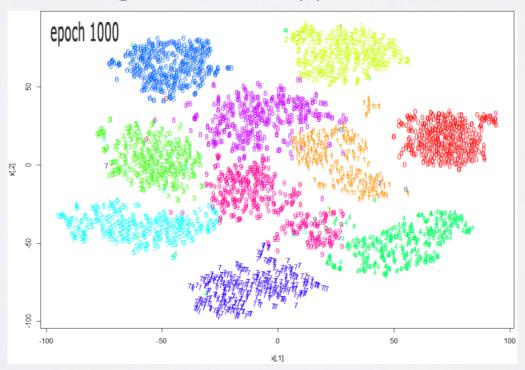
Low dimensionality embedding

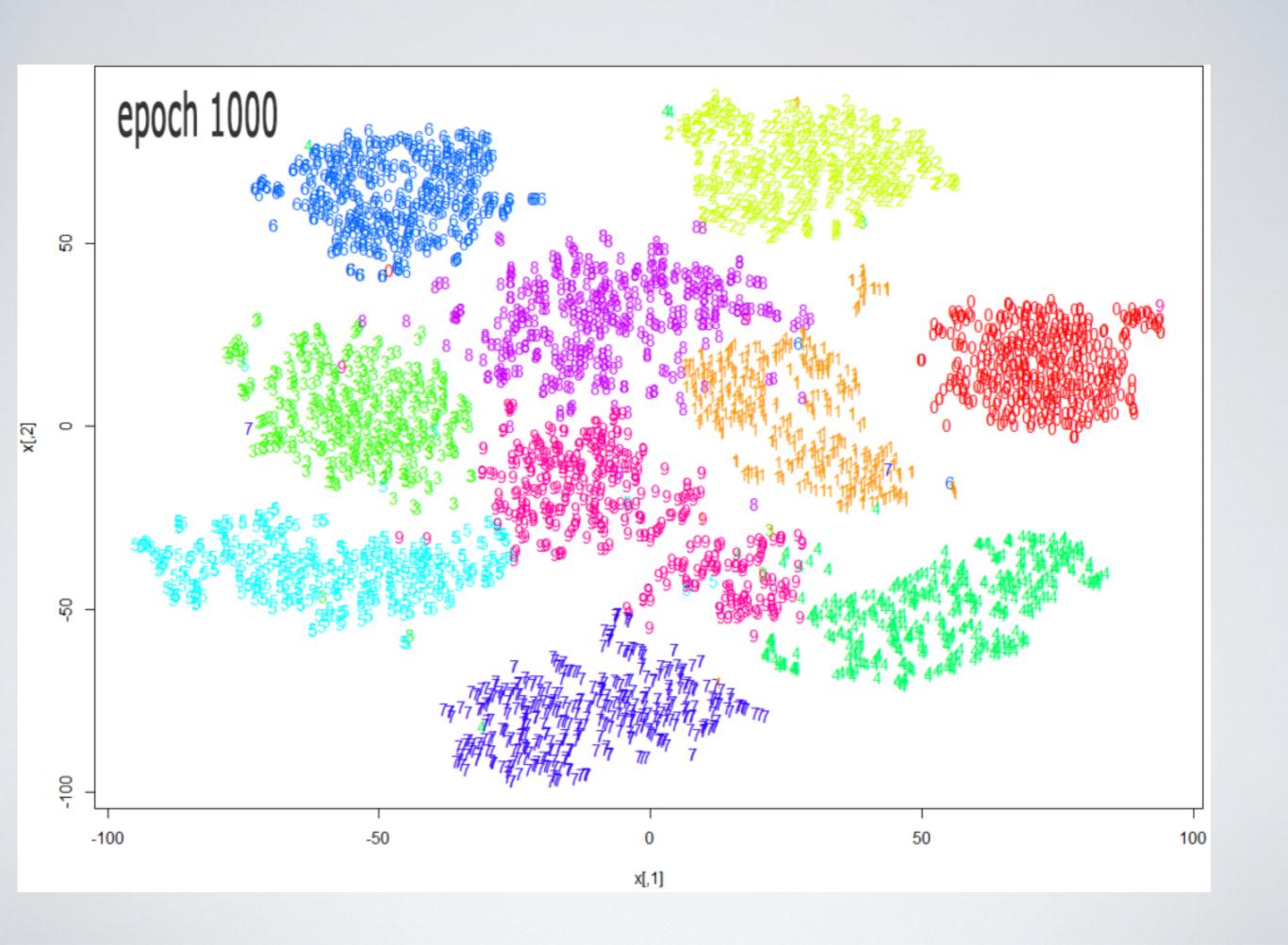
# DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

- Multiple reasons to do it
  - ▶ 2D/3D visualisation
  - Curse of Dimensionality / Scalability
  - Correlated input features

#### VISUALIZATION

- Your data is perfectly fine, but you want to intuitively understand how it is organized
  - Are there groups of similar objects?
  - Are my clusters meaningful?
  - Is my classification/clustering on some types of elements and not others.





#### CURSE OF DIMENSIONALITY

- Having hundreds/thousands of attributes is a problem for data analysis.
  - e.g.: medicine: blood analysis, genomics....
  - e.g.: cooking recipes: each column an ingredient...
- We want to reduce number of attributes while keeping most of the information
- Scalability

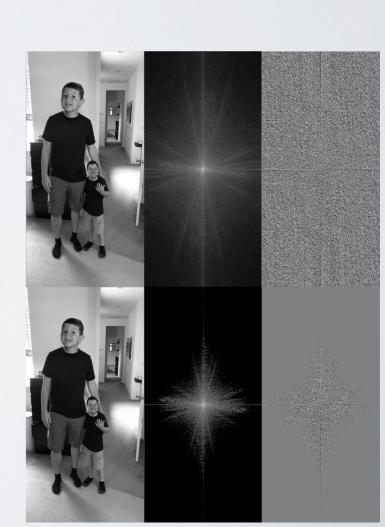
#### CORRELATION

- Assume that you have correlated features such as age, height and weight.
  - Linear regression will attribute the coefficients somewhat randomly between them
  - Decision tree will spend a lot of time choosing between them for no reason
- Dimensionality reduction can create a single variable to capture what is common
  - The rest can be lost or captured by another feature,

# PCA

#### PCA

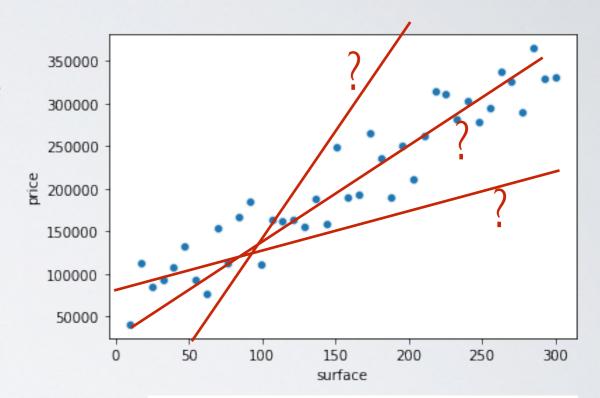
- PCA: Principal Component Analysis
- Defines new dimensions that are linear combinations of initial dimensions
  - Objective: concentrate the variance on some dimensions
    - So that we can keep only these ones.
    - Those we remove contain low variance, thus low information
- Similar principle than the Fourier transform technique for image compression

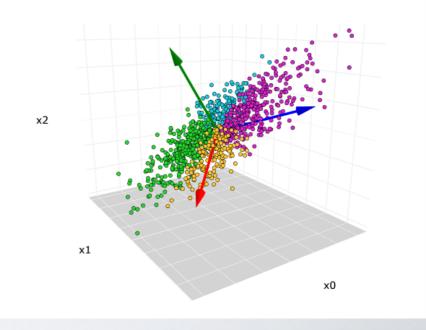


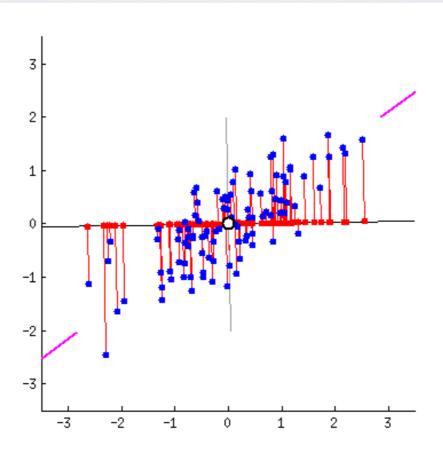
#### PCA

#### Algorithm:

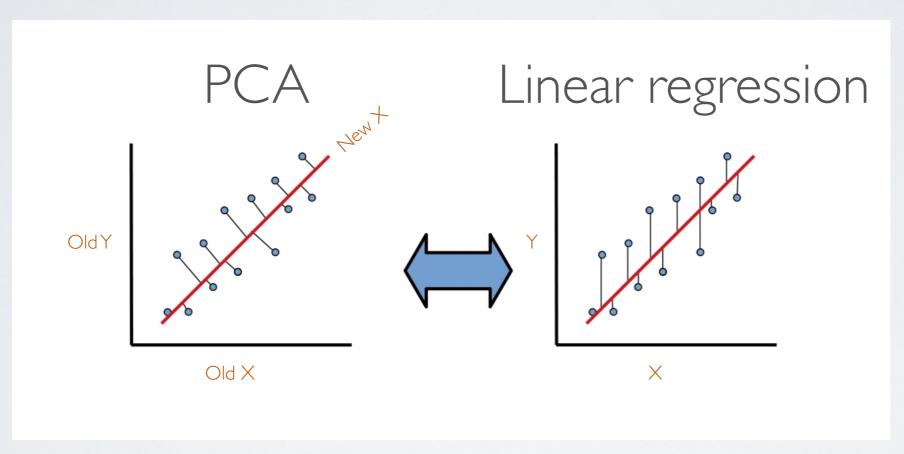
- I) Find an "axis", a unit vector defining a line in the space
  - That minimizes the variance=>the squared distance from all points to that line
- 2) For d in (initial\_d-1)
  - Find another axis, with two constraints:
    - Orthogonal to all previous axis
    - Among those, minimize the variance
- 3) At the end, keep the first k dimensions/axis
  - Some information is lost





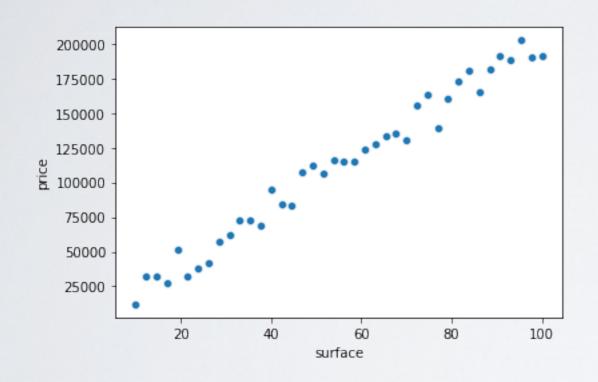


# PCAVS LINEAR REGRESSION

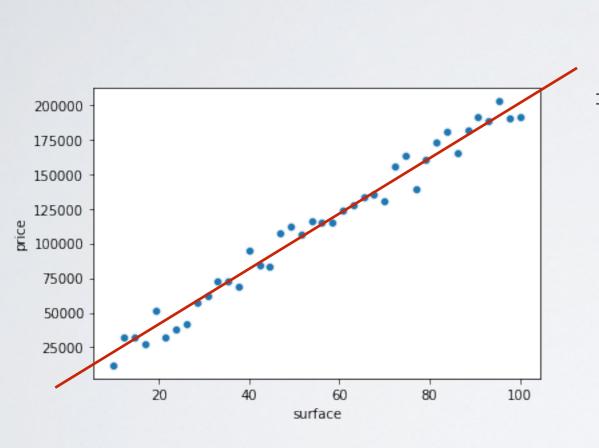


Variance,
i.e., squared error to the mean
on a chosen axis

Squared error, minimizes distance to a line, on a particular axis (target)

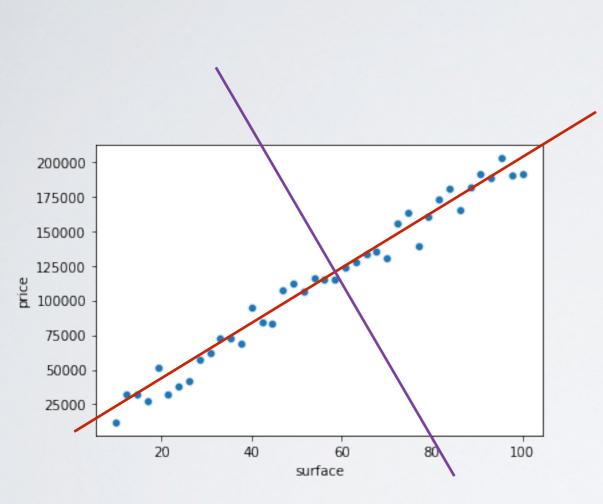


Old axis: [0,1] [1,0]



New axis I [50,100 000] =>[1,20 000]

Old axis: [0,1] [1,0]

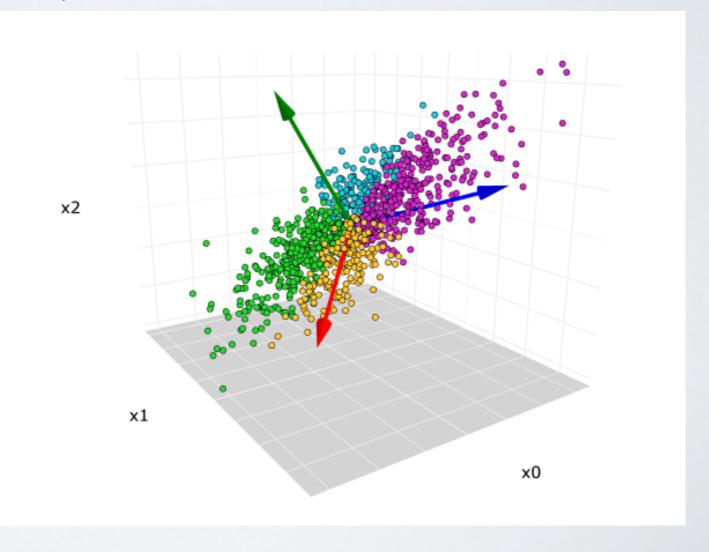


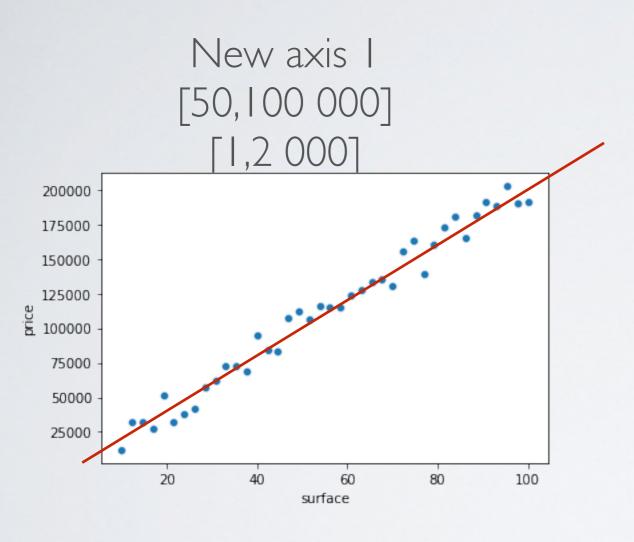
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New axis 2 No choice: orthogonal to axis I

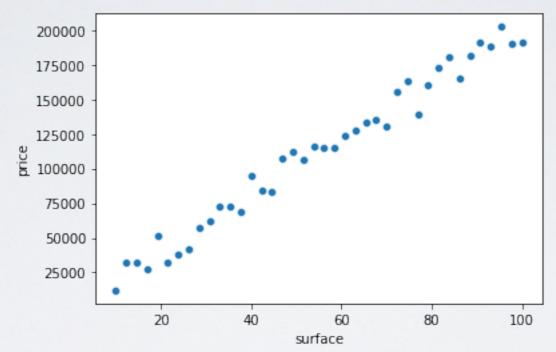
In 3D:
Second choice in a plan
Third choice imposed by orthogonality





#### pca.components\_

[-4.79586975e+01, -9.99999885e+04] [ 9.99999885e+04, -4.79586975e+01]



#### Covariance matrix (original)

[7.27810651e+02, 1.48478888e+06], [1.48478888e+06, 3.09597381e+09]

Sum of variance 2897097325.718247

Variance by dimension 3.09597381e+09 727.810

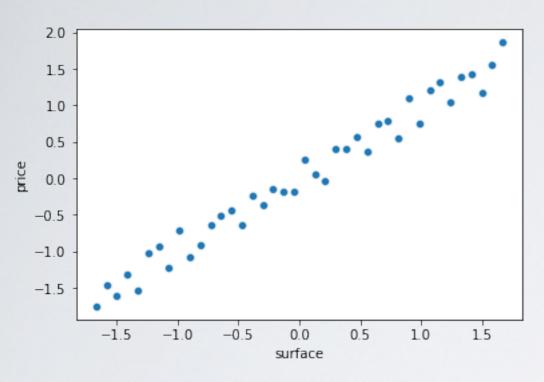
#### Covariance matrix (pca)

[2.89709731e+09, 0] [0, 1.75019564e+01]

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Variance by dimension

#### AFTER STANDARDIZATION

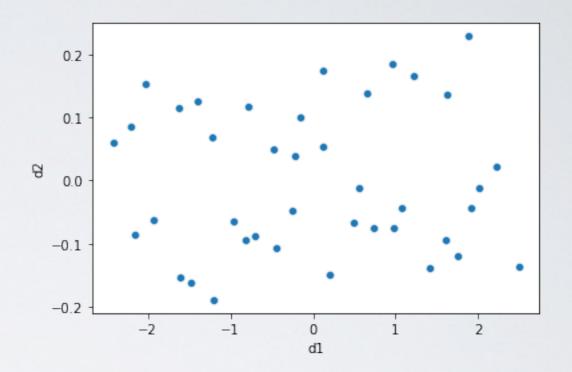


Covariance matrix (original)

[1. , 0.98675899], [0.98675899, 1. ]

Sum of variance

Variance by dimension



Covariance matrix (pca)

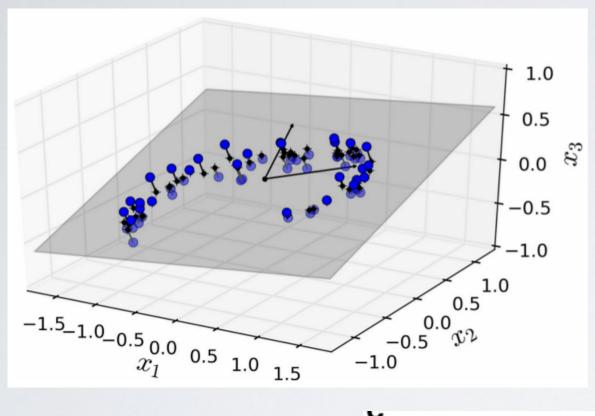
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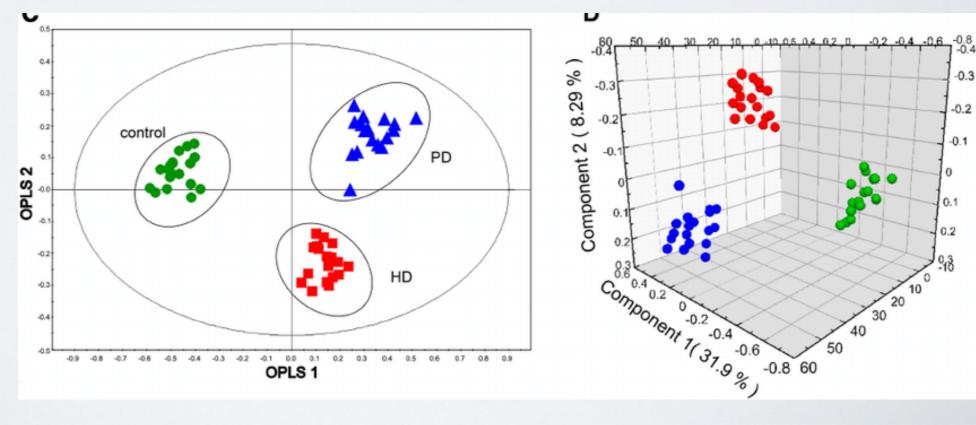
Sum of variance

Variance by dimension 0.01324101

riance(ratio) [0.9933795, 0.0066205]

#### 3D = > 2D





#### CHOOSING COMPONENTS

- How to choose k?
  - Elbow method
  - OR fix beforehand a min threshold of explained variance, e.g.: 80%
    - We are fine with losing 20% of information



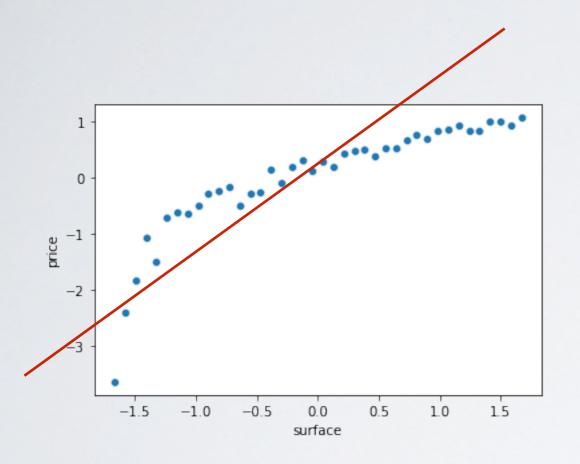
#### COMPUTATION IN PRACTICE

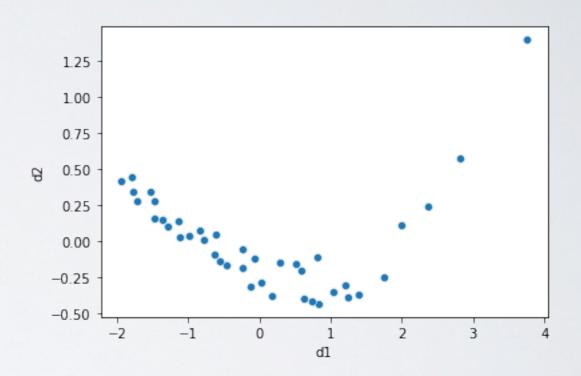
- Find the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix of centered data
- If you want k new dimensions, pick the k eigenvectors associated with the k largest eigenvalues
  - ► Eigenvalues = explained variance
- The eigenvectors corresponding to the top eigenvalues are coefficients of the linear transformation

#### PCA POPULARITY

- Why is PCA popular?
- Similar reasons than linear regression:
  - Historically important
  - Analytical solutions
    - Guarantee to find the global minimum of the objective
    - Could be done before modern computers
  - Interpretable solution
  - Intuitively pleasant
- No reason to consider it "better" than other methods...

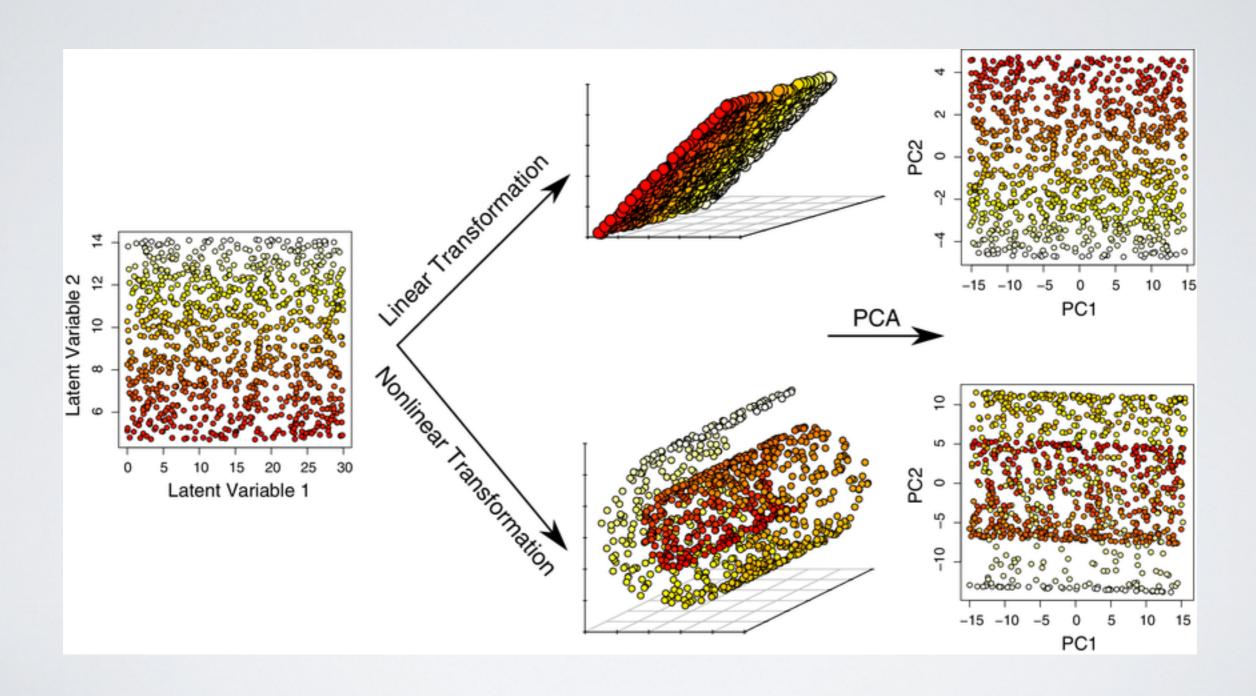
#### NON-LINEAR SITUATIONS





Pearson correlation(d1,d2): 0

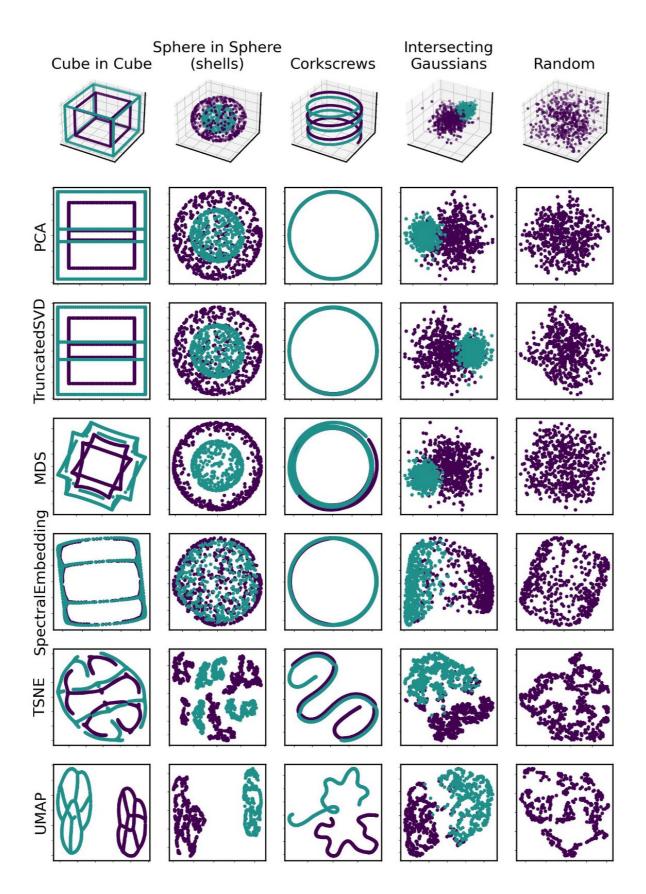
#### NONLINEAR DATA



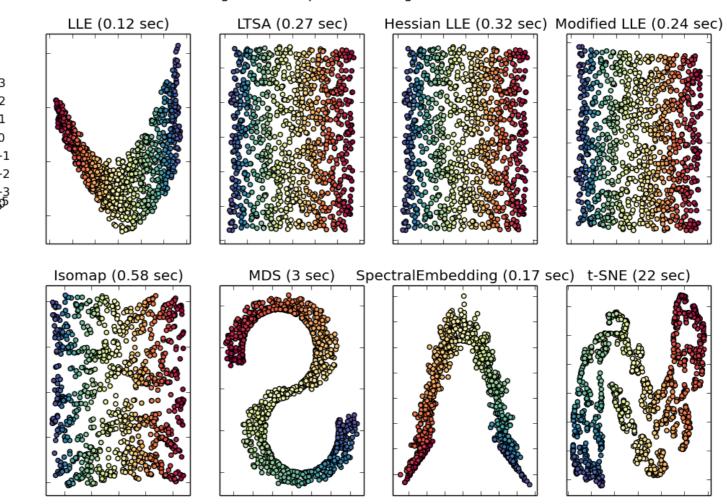
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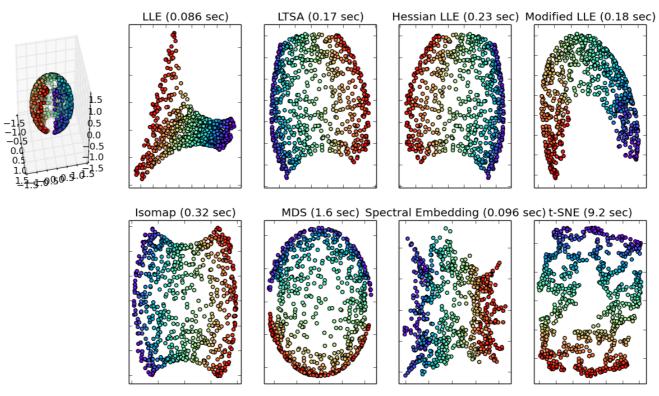
- · Manifolds are another approach to dimensionality reduction
- The general principle is to
  - ▶ I)Define a notion of distance between elements in the original space
  - ▶ 2) Define a notion of distance between elements in a reduced, target space
  - 3) Minimize the difference between distances in original and target space
- In many cases, the process is nonlinear, i.e., we choose distances such as
  - We care more about preserving close proximity than exact distance for nodes that are "far" from each other

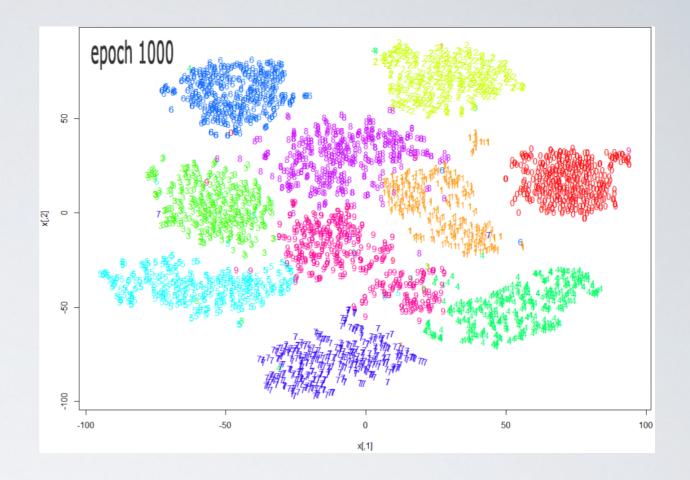


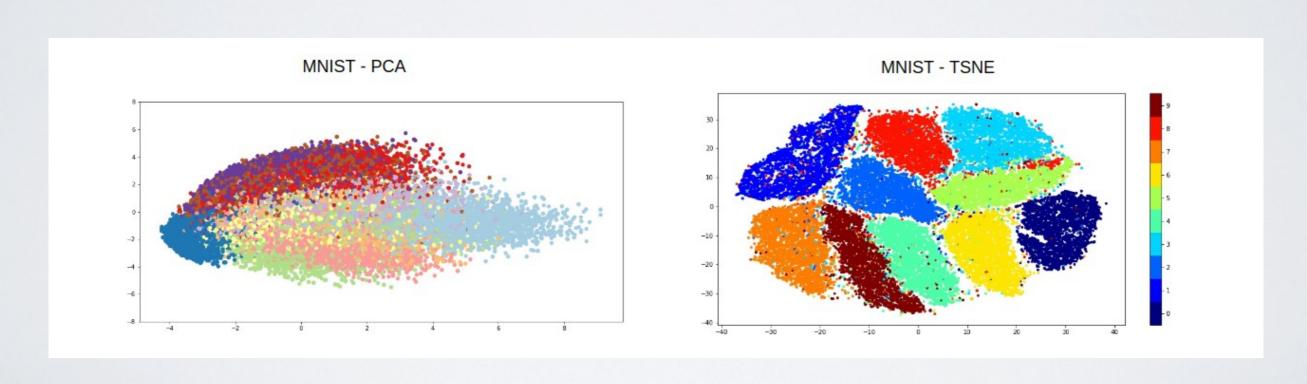
#### Manifold Learning with 1000 points, 10 neighbors



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#### MDS

- MDS: Multi-dimensional Scaling:
  - Simply minimize distance between original space and target space
    - e.g., d-dimensional forced to 2-dimensional

#### How to do it?

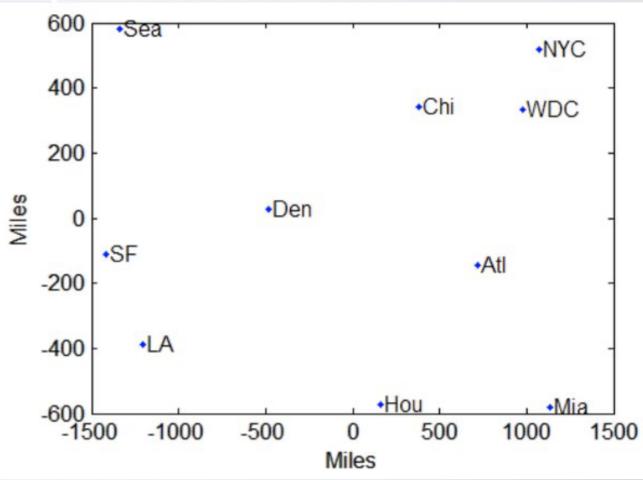
- ► I)Compute all pairwise distances between Objects=>similarity matrix
  - $n \times f$  matrix =>  $n \times n$  matrix
- 2) Compute PCA on this similarity matrix
  - PCA preserves columns information => preserve distance on a similarity matrix

#### • Problems:

- Very costly (nb features=nb elements),  $n^2$
- Try to preserve all distances, therefore extremely constrained

# MDS

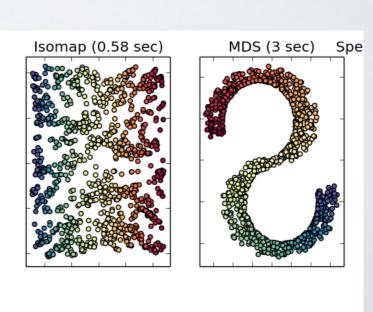
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Den	1212	920	0	879	831	1726	1631	949	1021	149
Hou	701	940	879	0	1374	968	1420	1645	1891	12
LA	1936	1745	831	1374	0	2339	2451	347	959	230
Mia	604	1188	1726	968	2339	0	1092	2594	2734	9:
NYC	748	713	1631	1420	2451	1092	0	2571	2408	20
SF	2139	1858	949	1645	347	2594	2571	0	678	
Sea	2182	1737	1021	1891	959	2734	2408	678	0	
WDC	543	597	1494	1220	2300	923	205	2442	2329	



#### ISOMAP

- Variation of MDS
  - I) We define a graph such as two elements are connected if they are at distance<threshold. (Alternative: fixed number of neighbors)
    - Put a weight on edges=euclidean distance
  - 2)Compute a similarity matrix, such as distance= weighted shortest path distance
  - 3)Apply PCA on it
- · Computing shortest paths on a graph is fast
  - Floyd—Warshall algorithm
- Much less constraints





# T-SNE

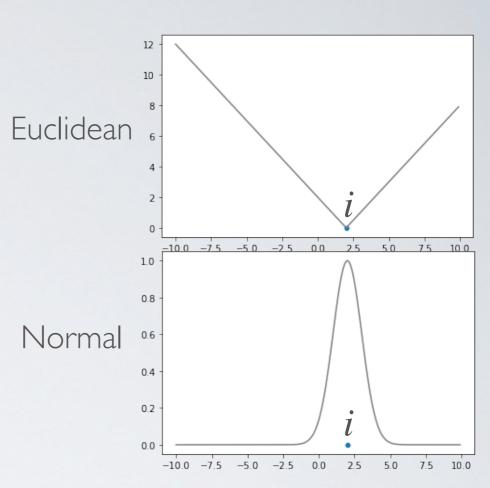
#### T-SNE

- t-SNE: t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding
- Non-linear dimensionality reduction
- Currently the most popular method for visualizing data in low dimensions

#### T-SNE

- General principle:
  - Define a notion of similarity  $p_{j|i}$  in the high dimensional space P
  - ullet Define a notion of similarity  $q_{i|i}$  in the low dimensional space Q
  - For each point of initial coordinates  $x_i$ , find a new coordinate  $y_i$  in the lower dimensional space, such as to minimize the difference between P and Q
    - $\quad \quad \forall_{i,j} p_{j|i} \approx q_{j|i}$

#### SNE



- ullet Distance in the original space P
  - To compute how far j is from i, consider a normal distribution centered in j with variance  $\sigma$
  - Mathematically: the raw distance is given as  $s_{j|i}^P = e^{-\frac{\|x_i x_j\|^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

$$p_{j|i} = \frac{s_{j|i}^P}{\sum_{k \neq i} s_{j|k}^P}$$

- Normalizes the similarity by sum of similarity to all other points.
- With proper  $\sigma$ , local definition of similarity

## T-SNE

• Previous method, SNE, defines similarity in Q in the same way, setting for convenience  $\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ , thus

$$s_{j|i}^{Q} = e^{\|y_i - y_j\|^2}$$

- y are computed new features

With 
$$q_{j|i} = \frac{s_{j|i}^Q}{\sum_{k \neq i} s_{j|k}^Q}$$

## SNE

- ullet Define the similarity between P and Q
  - Minimize the KL-divergence (Kullback-Leibler divergence)

$$C = \text{KL}(P \parallel Q) = \sum_{i \neq j} p_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{q_{ij}}$$

- KL: Information theory:
  - Average additional number of bits required to encode a sample from P using the optimal code to encode samples of Q
  - Non-symmetric
- Solved by gradient descent

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 2 \sum_{j} (p_{j|i} - q_{j|i} + p_{i|j} - q_{i|j})(y_i - y_j)$$

-  $y_i$  is the vector of i in the new space

#### SNE

$$\frac{\partial C}{\partial y_i} = 2 \sum_{j} (p_{j|i} - q_{j|i} + p_{i|j} - q_{i|j})(y_i - y_j)$$

- Intuitive interpretation:
  - Imagine a system of attraction/springs between points
  - If the distance is right, left=0, don't move
  - If i is "too far", left is positive, we go in the direction of j
  - ullet If i is "too close", left is negative, we move away from j

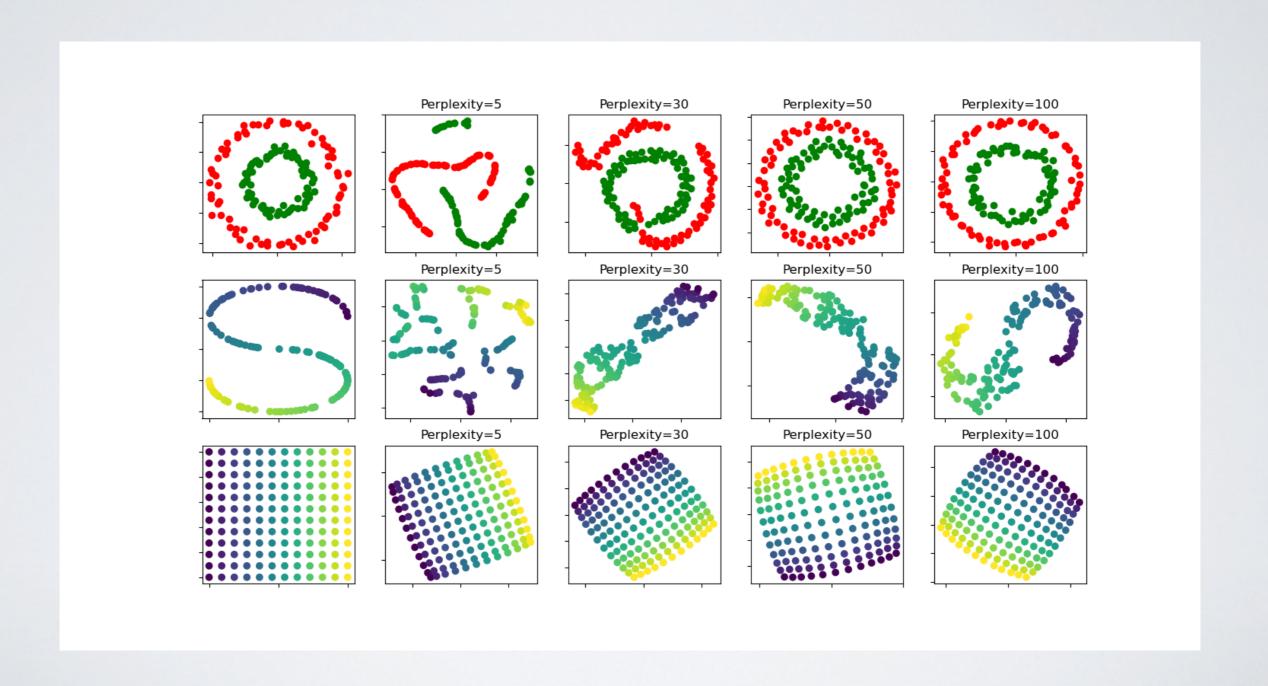
## SNE

- Missing part: how to fix  $\sigma$  for similarity in original space?
- Density of points is assumed heterogeneous,  $\sigma$  is chosen independently for each point.
  - User fix a parameter of **perplexity**,  $perp(p_i) = 2^{H(p_i)}$

With 
$$H(P_i) = -\sum_j p_{j|i} log_2 p_{j|i}$$
 Shannon Entropy

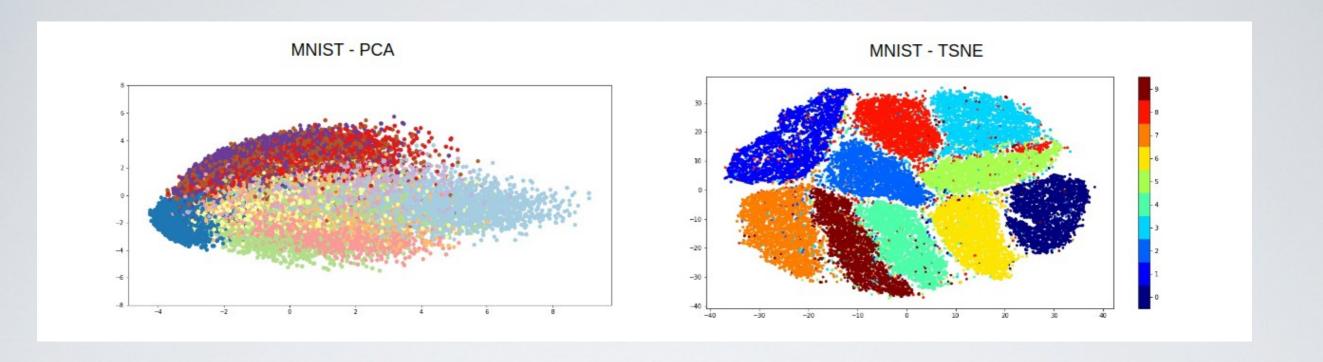
- Search for  $\sigma_i$  to obtain the right perplexity.
- Idea similar to imposing a fix number of neighbors
  - But you can have few points at very short distance and many at long distance
  - Or many at medium distance
  - As long as the overall distribution of distance is respected

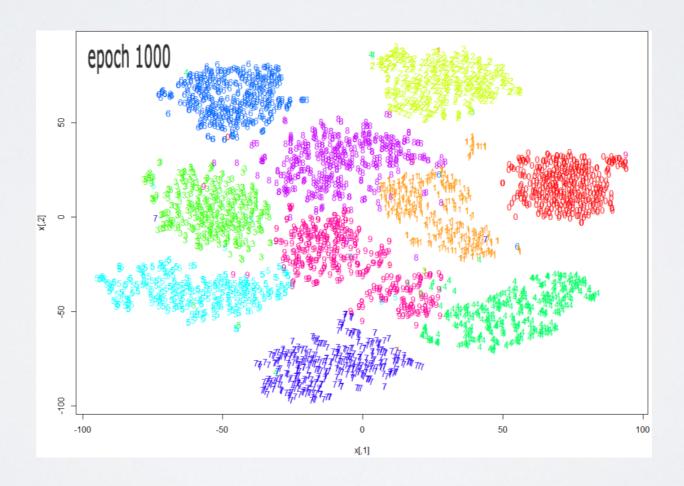
# INFLUENCE OF PERPLEXITY



#### T-SNE

- T-SNE modifies the distance in the lower dimensional space
- It uses a Student-t distribution, which leads to several advantages
  - Makes optimisation easier and faster
  - Tends to "exaggerate" similarities/dissimilarities
    - Emphasizes clusters, i.e., groups of nodes all close together





# LOW DIMENSIONAL EMBEDDINGS

#### EMBEDDINGS

- A recent usage of low dimensional embeddings is to encode complex objects as vectors
  - Words as Vector => Word2Vec
  - Nodes (of graph) as Vectors => Node2Vec
  - Documents as Vectors => Doc2Vec

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# WORD EMBEDDING

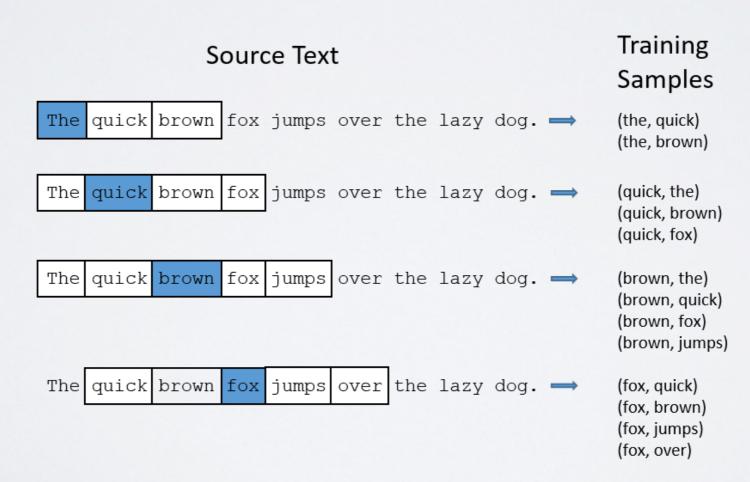
#### WORD EMBEDDING

- · Words can be understood as a (very) high dimensional space
  - Using One Hot encoding: vocabulary of 1000 words=>1000 columns
- Could we assign a vector in "low dimension", encoding the "semantic" of a word?
  - Two words with similar meanings should be close

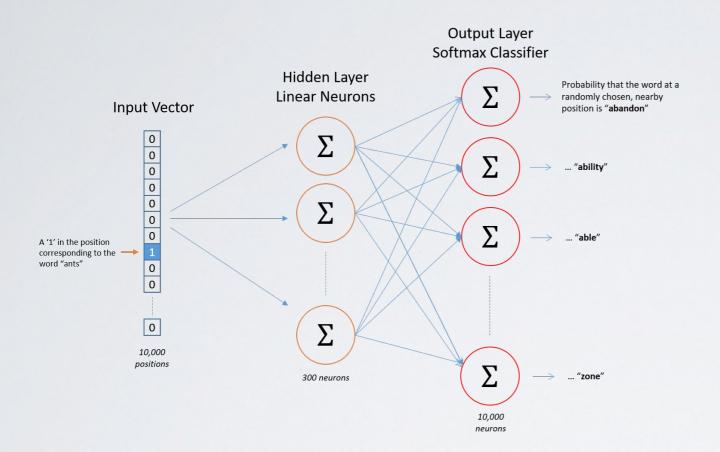
Word embedding

Corpus => Word = vectors

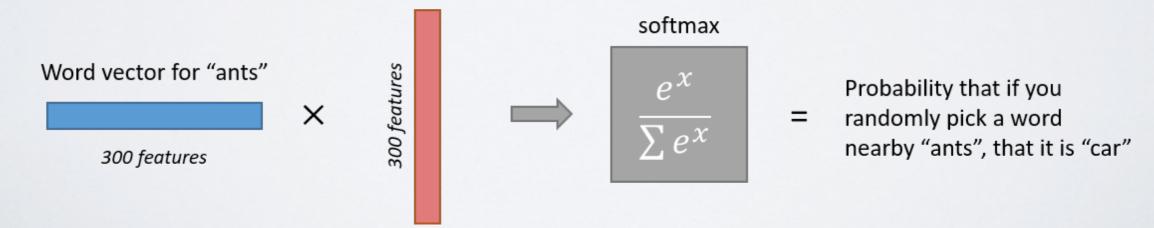
Similar embedding= similar context

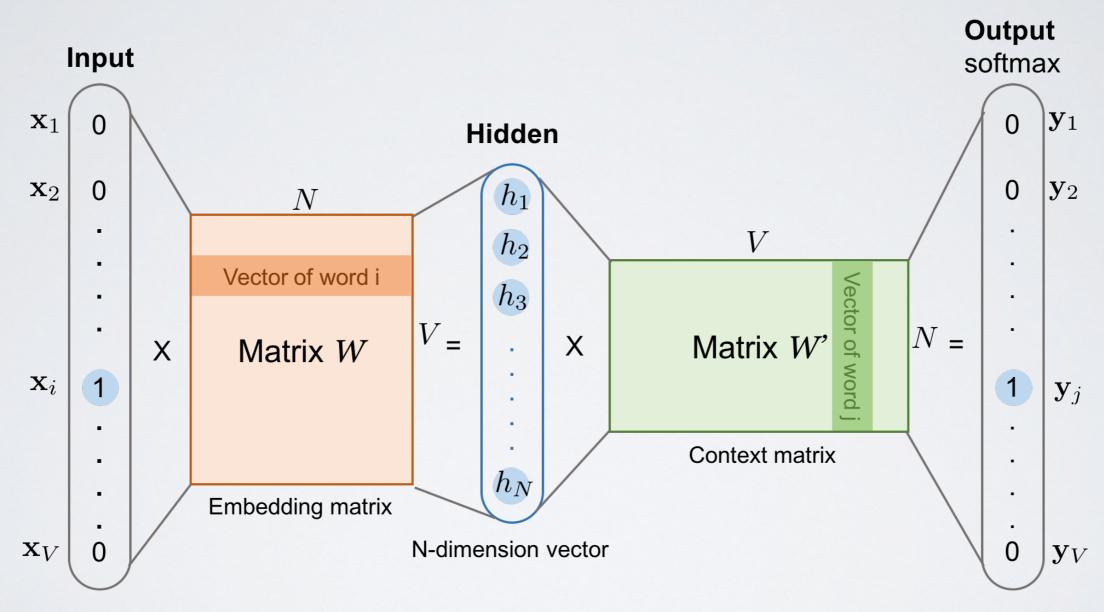


[http://mccormickml.com/2016/04/19/word2vec-tutorial-the-skip-gram-model/]



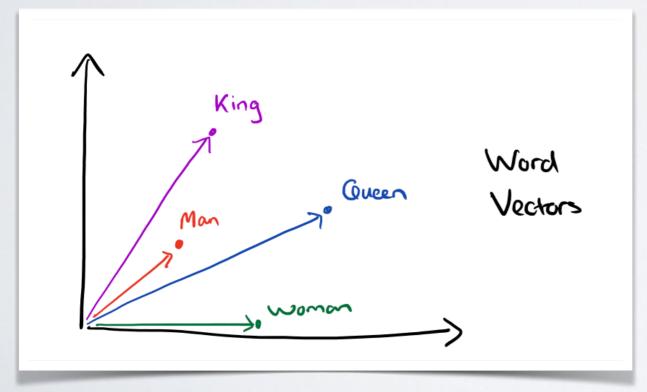
#### Output weights for "car"

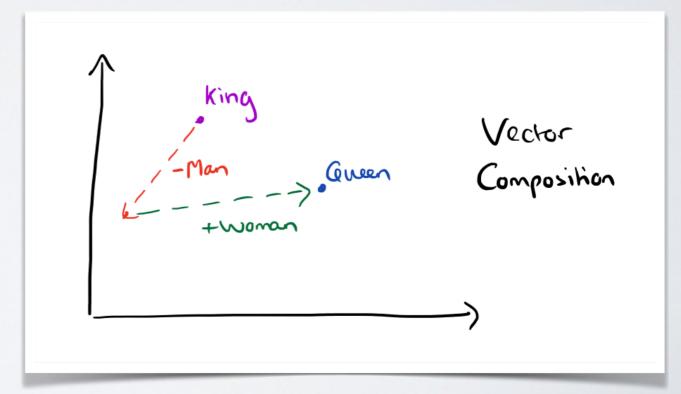




N=embedding size. V=vocabulary size







[https://blog.acolyer.org/2016/04/21/the-amazing-power-of-word-vectors/]

Table 8: Examples of the word pair relationships, using the best word vectors from Table 4 (Skipgram model trained on 783M words with 300 dimensionality).

Relationship	Example 1	Example 2	Example 3
France - Paris	Italy: Rome	Japan: Tokyo	Florida: Tallahassee
big - bigger	small: larger	cold: colder	quick: quicker
Miami - Florida	Baltimore: Maryland	Dallas: Texas	Kona: Hawaii
Einstein - scientist	Messi: midfielder	Mozart: violinist	Picasso: painter
Sarkozy - France	Berlusconi: Italy	Merkel: Germany	Koizumi: Japan
copper - Cu	zinc: Zn	gold: Au	uranium: plutonium
Berlusconi - Silvio	Sarkozy: Nicolas	Putin: Medvedev	Obama: Barack
Microsoft - Windows	Google: Android	IBM: Linux	Apple: iPhone
Microsoft - Ballmer	Google: Yahoo	IBM: McNealy	Apple: Jobs
Japan - sushi	Germany: bratwurst	France: tapas	USA: pizza

#### PRE-TRAINED

- You can easily train word2vec on your own dataset, but it needs to be large enough
  - https://radimrehurek.com/gensim/models/word2vec.html
- You can use pre-trained embeddings, trained on enormous corpus (Twitter, Wikipedia...)
  - e.g., Glove: <a href="https://nlp.stanford.edu/projects/glove/">https://nlp.stanford.edu/projects/glove/</a>

#### USAGE

- Single words=> Use directly vectors
- Short texts=> Weighted average vectors (more weights to more important words, e.g., rare words: TF-IDF...)
- Long texts=> More tricky. Need other approaches (Doc2vec, RNN)

# USAGE

- Parameters:
  - ▶ Embedding dimensions d
  - Context size

# GRAPH EMBEDDING

# GENERIC "SKIPGRAM"

- Algorithm that takes an input:
  - The element to embed
  - A list of "context" elements
- Provide as output:
  - An embedding with interesting properties
    - Works well for machine learning
    - Similar elements are close in the embedding
    - Somewhat preserves the overall structure

#### DEEPWALK

- Skipgram for graphs:
  - ► I)Generate "sentences" using random walks
  - 2) Apply Skipgram

#### Parameters:

- Same as Skipgram
  - Embedding dimensions d
  - Context size
- Parameters for "sentence" generation: length of random walks, number of walks starting from each node, etc.

Perozzi, B., Al-Rfou, R., & Skiena, S. (2014, August). Deepwalk: Online learning of social representations. In *Proceedings of the 20th ACM SIGKDD international conference on Knowledge discovery and data mining* (pp. 701-710). ACM.

#### NODE2VEC

- Use biased random walk to tune the context to capture
   \*what we want\*
  - "Breadth first" like RW => local neighborhood (edge probability?)
  - "Depth-first" like RW => global structure? (Communities?)
  - 2 parameters to tune:
    - p: bias towards revisiting the previous node
    - q: bias towards exploring undiscovered parts of the network

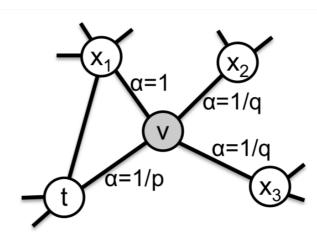


Figure 2: Illustration of the random walk procedure in node2vec. The walk just transitioned from t to v and is now evaluating its next step out of node v. Edge labels indicate search biases  $\alpha$ .