

# Machine Learning for Signal Processing

## Linear Gaussian Models

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# Recap: MAP Estimators

- MAP (*Maximum A Posteriori*): Find a “best guess” for  $\mathbf{y}$  (statistically), given known  $\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{y} = \operatorname{argmax}_Y P(\mathbf{Y}/\mathbf{x})$$

# Recap: MAP estimation

- $x$  and  $y$  are jointly Gaussian

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E[z] = \mu_z = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_x \\ \mu_y \end{bmatrix}$$

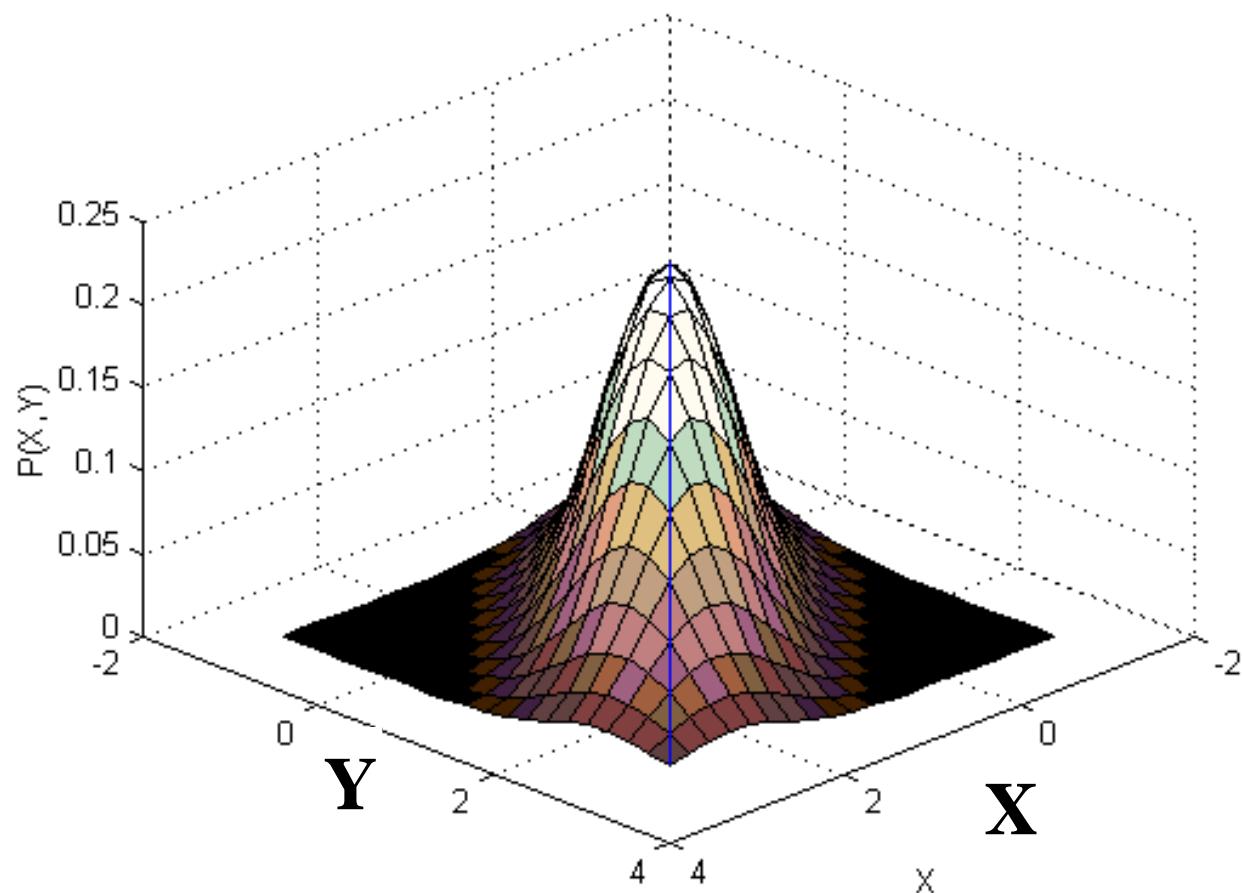
$$Var(z) = C_{zz} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{xx} & C_{xy} \\ C_{yx} & C_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{xy} = E[(x - \mu_x)(y - \mu_y)^T]$$

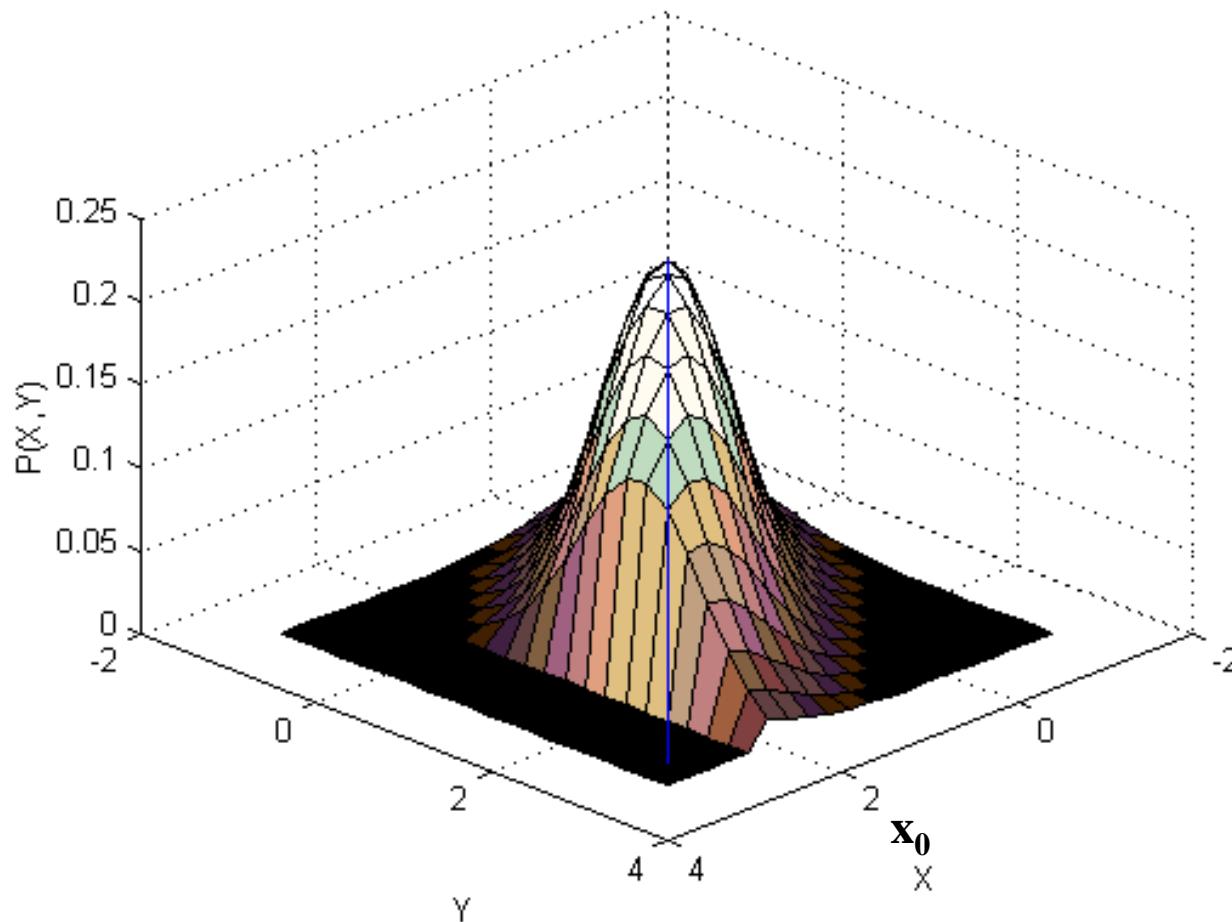
$$P(z) = N(\mu_z, C_{zz}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi |C_{zz}|}} \exp\left(-0.5(z - \mu_z)(z - \mu_z)^T\right)$$

- $z$  is Gaussian

# MAP estimation: Gaussian PDF



# MAP estimation: The Gaussian at a particular value of X

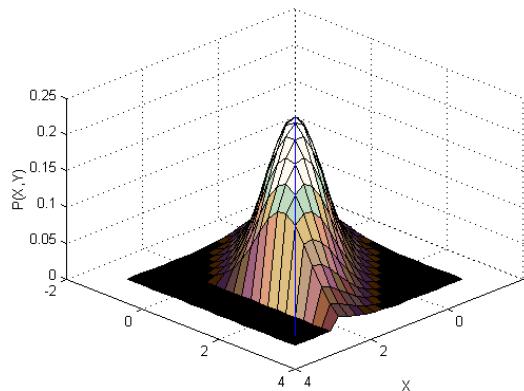


# Conditional Probability of $y|x$

$$P(y|x) = N(\mu_y + C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}(x - \mu_x), C_{yy} - C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy})$$

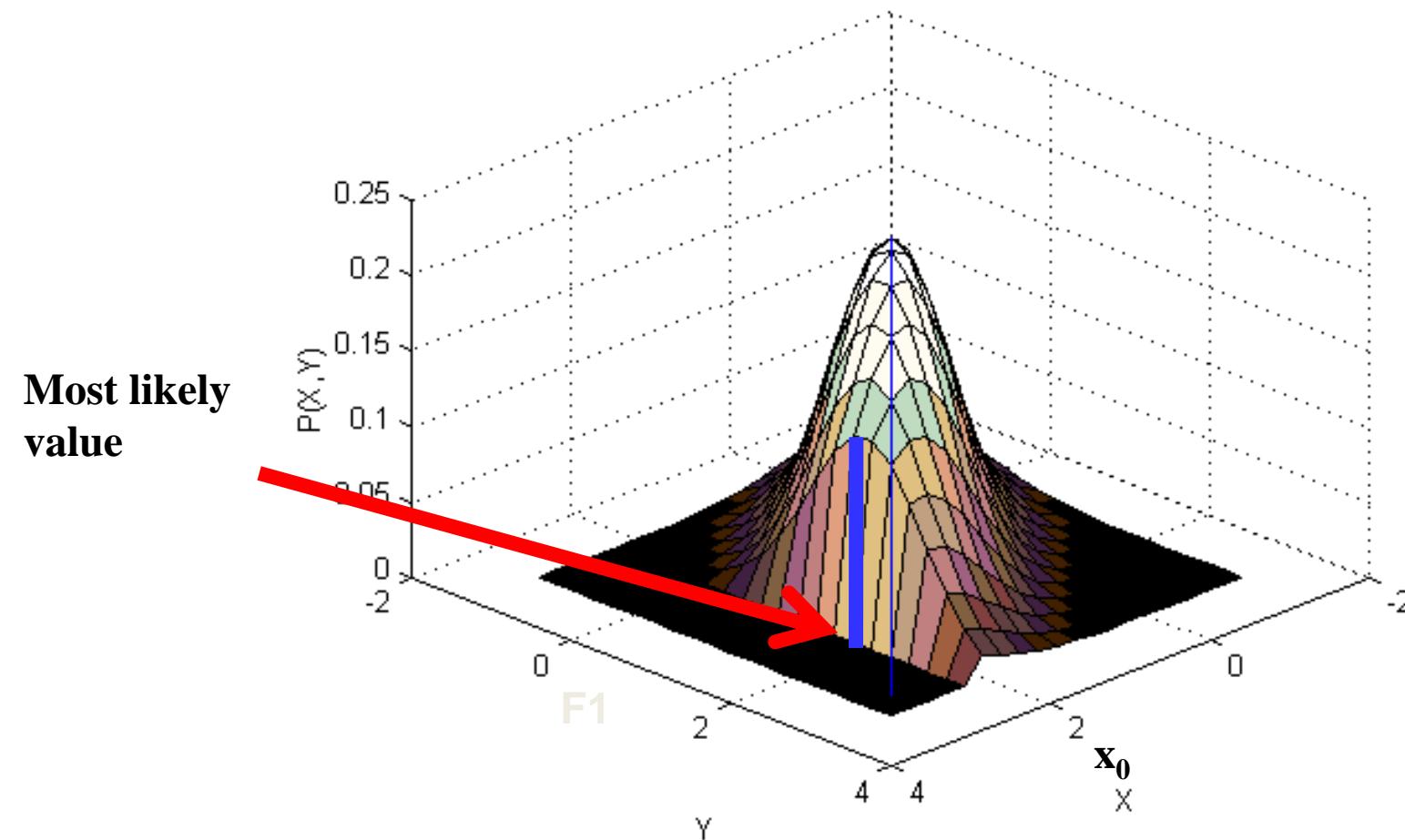
$$E_{y|x}[y] = \mu_{y|x} = \mu_y + C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}(x - \mu_x)$$

$$\text{Var}(y|x) = C_{yy} - C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}$$



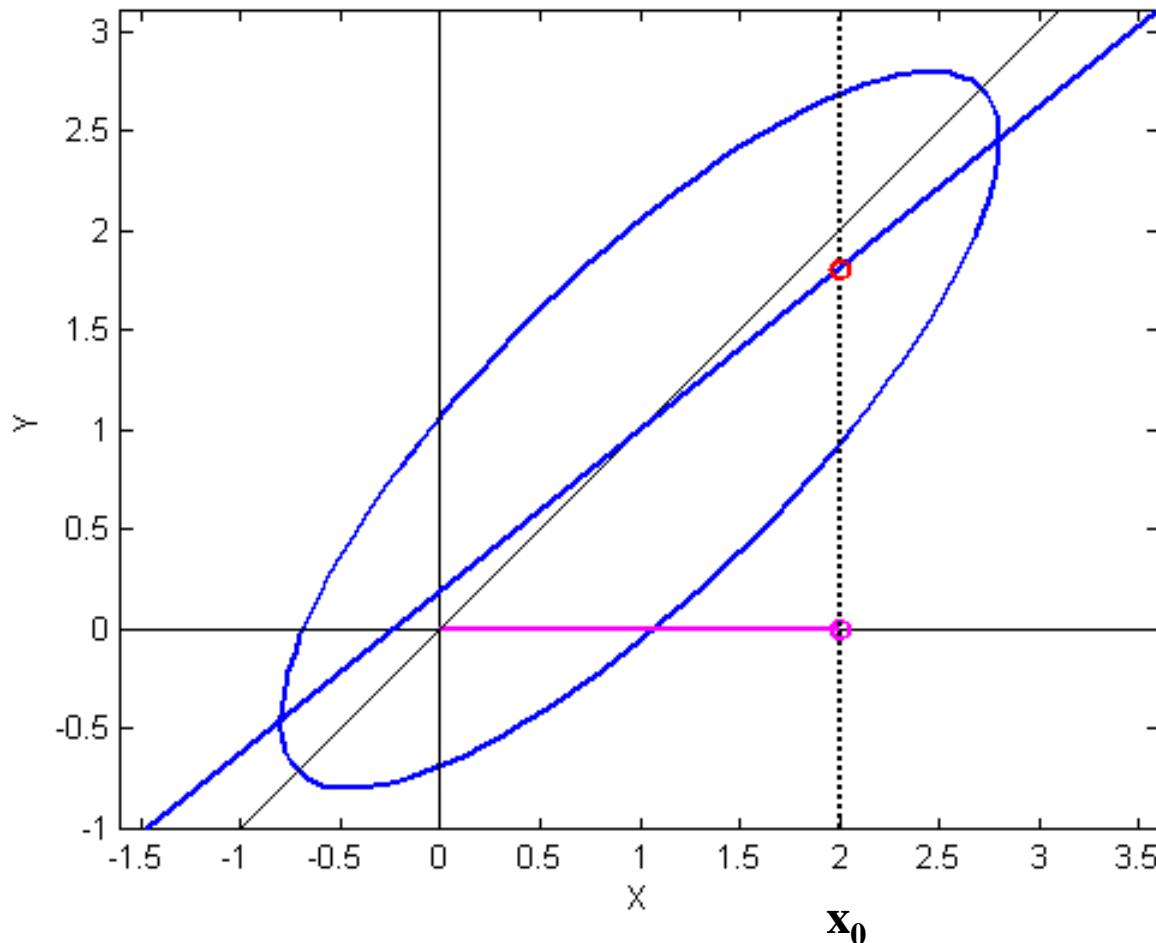
- The conditional probability of  $y$  given  $x$  is also Gaussian
  - The slice in the figure is Gaussian
- The mean of this Gaussian is a function of  $x$
- The variance of  $y$  reduces if  $x$  is known
  - Uncertainty is reduced

# MAP estimation: The Gaussian at a particular value of X



# MAP Estimation of a Gaussian RV

$$\hat{y} = \arg \max_y P(y | x) = E_{y|x}[y]$$



# Its also a *minimum-mean-squared error estimate*

- Minimize error:

$$Err = E[\|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\|^2 | \mathbf{x}] = E[(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})^T (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}) | \mathbf{x}]$$

$$Err = E[\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} + \hat{\mathbf{y}}^T \hat{\mathbf{y}} - 2\hat{\mathbf{y}}^T \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}] = E[\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}] + \hat{\mathbf{y}}^T \hat{\mathbf{y}} - 2\hat{\mathbf{y}}^T E[\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}]$$

- Differentiating and equating to 0:

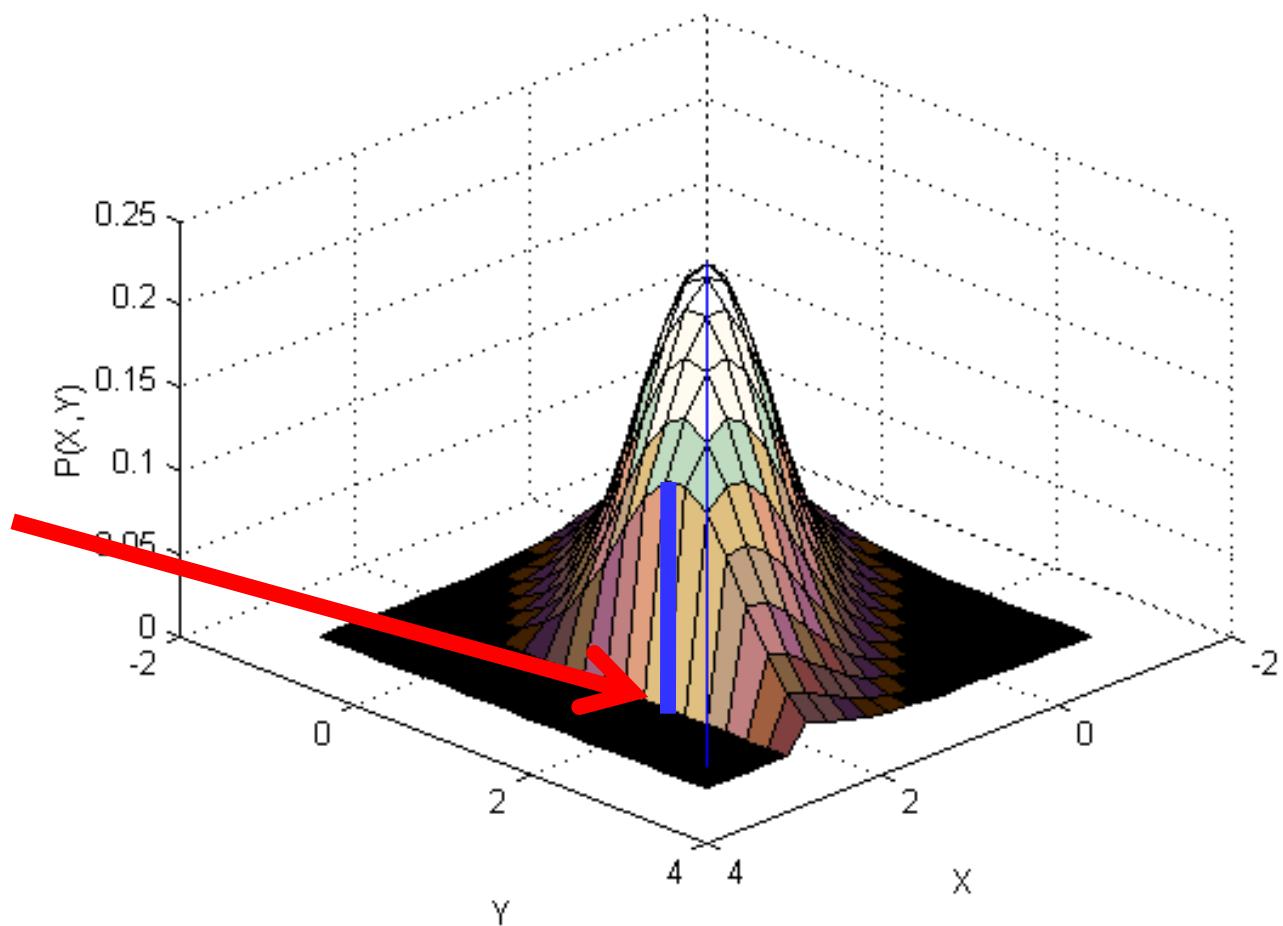
$$d.Err = 2\hat{\mathbf{y}}^T d\hat{\mathbf{y}} - 2E[\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}]^T d\hat{\mathbf{y}} = 0$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = E[\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}]$$

The MMSE estimate is the mean of the distribution

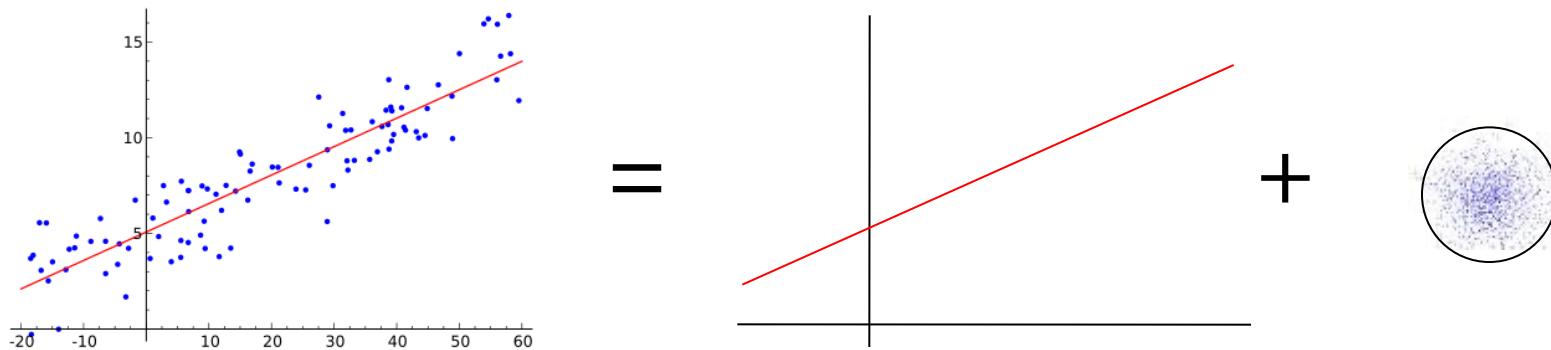
# For the Gaussian: MAP = MMSE

Most likely value  
is also  
The MEAN value



- Would be true of any symmetric distribution

# A Likelihood Perspective



- $\mathbf{y}$  is a noisy reading of  $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}$$

- Error  $\mathbf{e}$  is Gaussian

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

- Estimate  $\mathbf{A}$  from  $\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{y}_1 \ \mathbf{y}_2 \dots \mathbf{y}_N] \quad \mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{x}_N]$

# The *Likelihood* of the data

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

- Probability of observing a specific  $\mathbf{y}$ , given  $\mathbf{x}$ , for a particular matrix  $\mathbf{a}$

$$P(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{x}; \mathbf{a}) = N(\mathbf{y}; \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

- Probability of collection:  $\mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{y}_1 \ \mathbf{y}_2 \dots \mathbf{y}_N] \quad \mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{x}_N]$

$$P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}; \mathbf{a}) = \prod_i N(\mathbf{y}_i; \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}_i, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

- Assuming IID for convenience (not necessary)

# A Maximum Likelihood Estimate

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) \quad \mathbf{Y} = [\mathbf{y}_1 \ \mathbf{y}_2 \dots \mathbf{y}_N] \quad \mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_2 \dots \mathbf{x}_N]$$

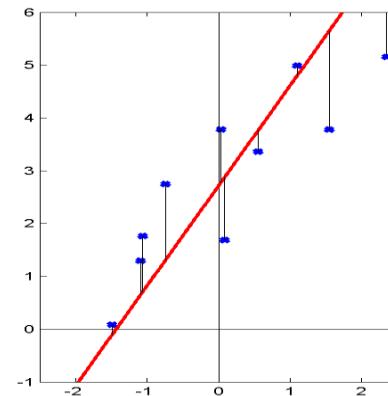
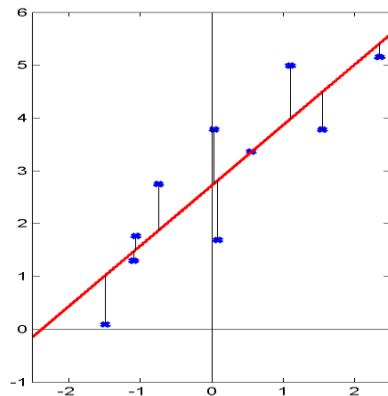
$$P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}) = \prod_i \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi\sigma^2)^D}} \exp\left(\frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} \|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}_i\|^2\right)$$

$$\log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}; \mathbf{a}) = C - \sum_i \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}_i\|^2$$

$$\log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{a}) = C - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \text{trace}\left((\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})\right)$$

- Maximizing the log probability is identical to minimizing the least squared error

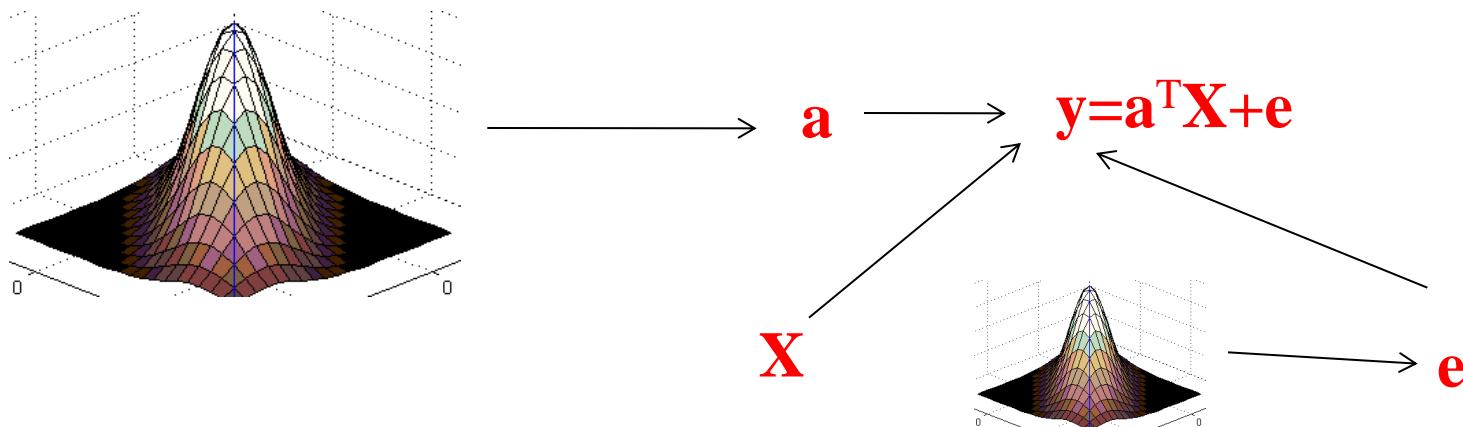
# A problem with regressions



$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{Y}^T$$

- ML fit is sensitive
  - Error is squared
  - Small variations in data → large variations in weights
  - Outliers affect it adversely
- Unstable
  - If dimension of  $\mathbf{X} \geq$  no. of instances
    - $(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T)$  is not invertible

# MAP estimation of weights



- Assume weights drawn from a Gaussian
  - $P(\mathbf{a}) = N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$
- Max. Likelihood estimate

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{a}} \log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}; \mathbf{a})$$

- Maximum *a posteriori* estimate

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{a}} \log P(\mathbf{a} | \mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{X}) = \arg \max_{\mathbf{a}} \log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{a})P(\mathbf{a})$$

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- $P(\mathbf{a}) = N(0, \sigma^2 I)$
- $\log P(\mathbf{a}) = C - \log \sigma - 0.5\sigma^{-2} \|\mathbf{a}\|^2$

$$\log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{a}) = C - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})$$

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- Similar to ML estimate with an additional term

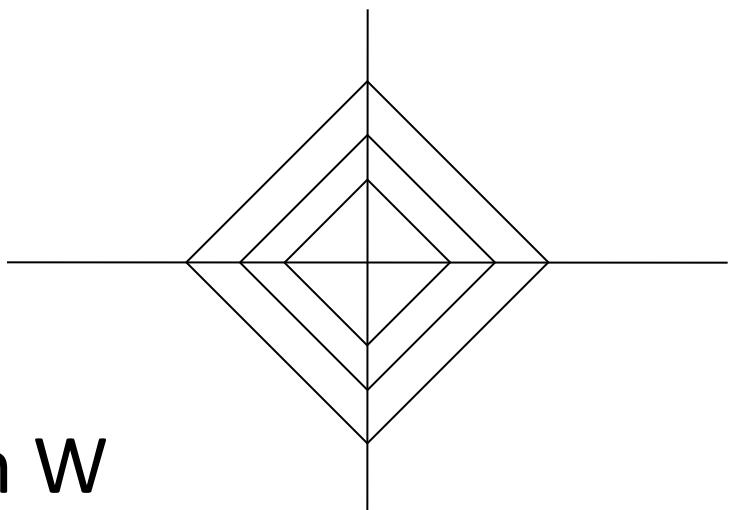
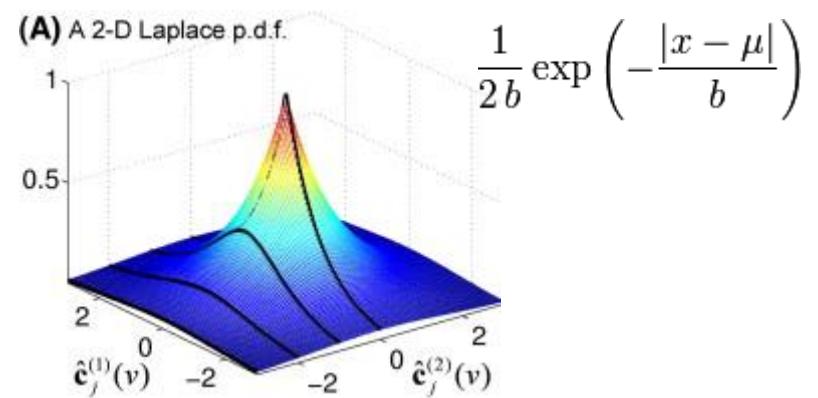
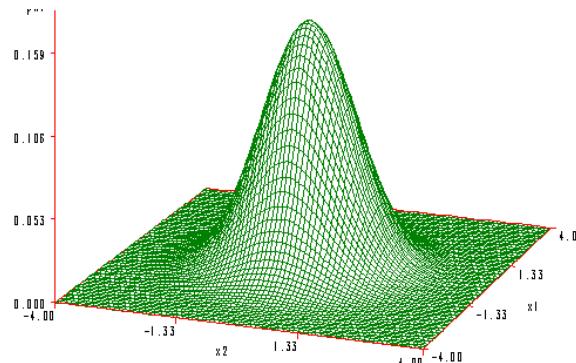
# MAP estimate of weights

$$dL = \left( 2\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T + 2\mathbf{y} \mathbf{X}^T + 2\sigma \mathbf{I} \right) d\mathbf{a} = 0$$

$$\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T + \sigma \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X} \mathbf{Y}^T$$

- Equivalent to *diagonal loading* of correlation matrix
  - Improves condition number of correlation matrix
    - Can be inverted with greater stability
  - Will not affect the estimation from well-conditioned data
  - Also called Tikhonov Regularization
    - Dual form: Ridge regression
- **MAP estimate of weights**
  - Not to be confused with MAP estimate of Y

# MAP estimate priors



- Left: Gaussian Prior on  $W$
- Right: Laplacian Prior

# MAP estimation of weights with laplacian prior

- Assume weights drawn from a Laplacian
  - $P(\mathbf{a}) = \lambda^{-1} \exp(-\lambda^{-1} |\mathbf{a}|_1)$
- Maximum *a posteriori* estimate

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{a}} C - \text{trace}\left( (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T \right) - \lambda^{-1} |\mathbf{a}|_1$$

- No closed form solution
  - Quadratic programming solution required
    - Non-trivial

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- Identical to  $L_1$  regularized least-squares estimation

# L<sub>1</sub>-regularized LSE

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{a}} C' - \text{trace} \left( (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X})^T \right) - \lambda^{-1} \|\mathbf{a}\|_1$$

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- Dual formulation

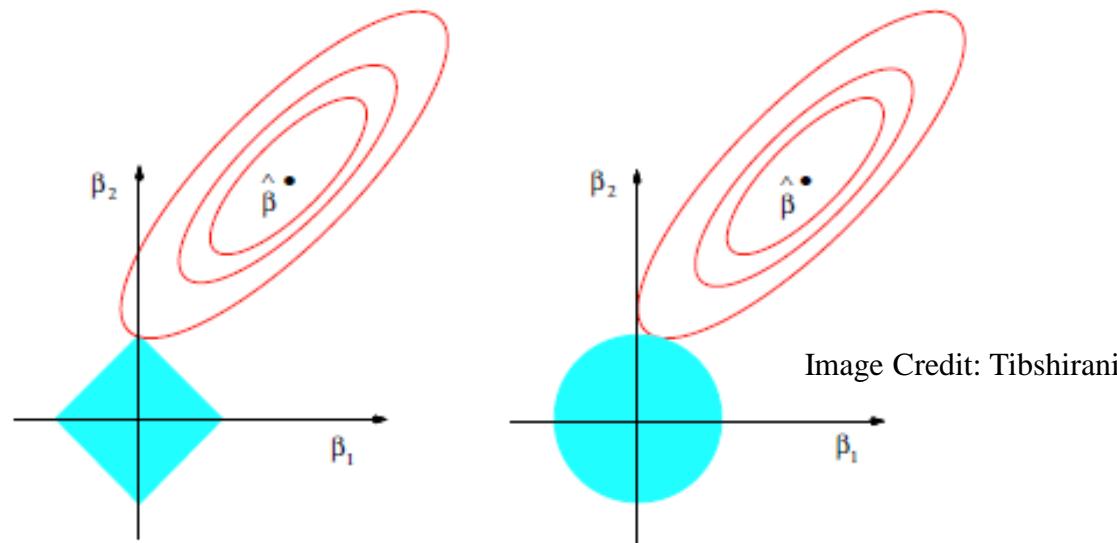
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- “LASSO” – Least absolute shrinkage and selection operator

# LASSO Algorithms

- Various convex optimization algorithms
- LARS: Least angle regression
- Pathwise coordinate descent..
- Matlab code available from web

# Regularized least squares



- Regularization results in selection of suboptimal (in least-squares sense) solution
  - One of the loci outside center
- Tikhonov regularization selects **shortest** solution
- $L_1$  regularization selects **sparsest** solution

# LASSO and Compressive Sensing

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{Y} \\ \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{a} \end{matrix} = \mathbf{X}$$

- Given  $\mathbf{Y}$  and  $\mathbf{X}$ , estimate sparse  $\mathbf{W}$
- LASSO:
  - $\mathbf{X}$  = explanatory variable
  - $\mathbf{Y}$  = dependent variable
  - $\mathbf{a}$  = weights of regression
- CS:
  - $\mathbf{X}$  = measurement matrix
  - $\mathbf{Y}$  = measurement
  - $\mathbf{a}$  = data

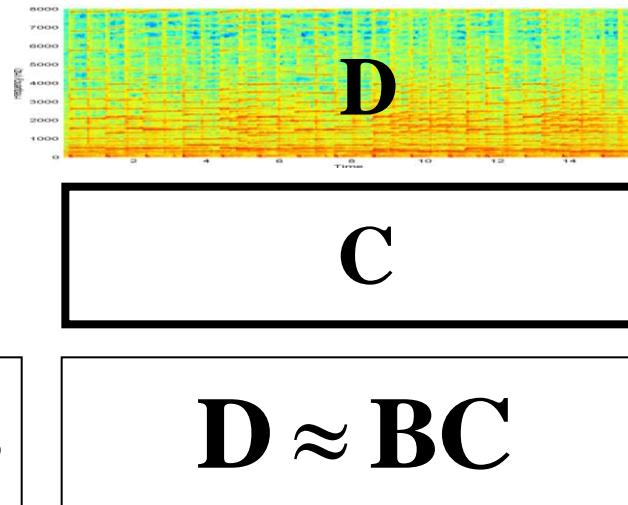
# MAP / ML / MMSE

- General statistical estimators
- All used to predict a variable, based on other parameters related to it..
- Most common assumption: Data are Gaussian, all RVs are Gaussian
  - Other probability densities may also be used..
- For Gaussians relationships are linear as we saw..

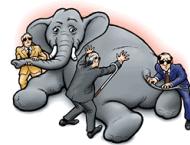
# Gaussians and more Gaussians..

- Linear Gaussian Models..
- But first a recap

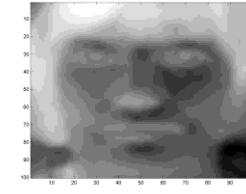
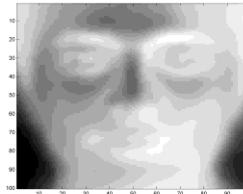
# A Brief Recap



- Principal component analysis: Find the  $K$  bases that best explain the given data
- Find  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  such that the difference between  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $\mathbf{BC}$  is minimum
  - While constraining that the columns of  $\mathbf{B}$  are orthonormal



# Remember Eigenfaces

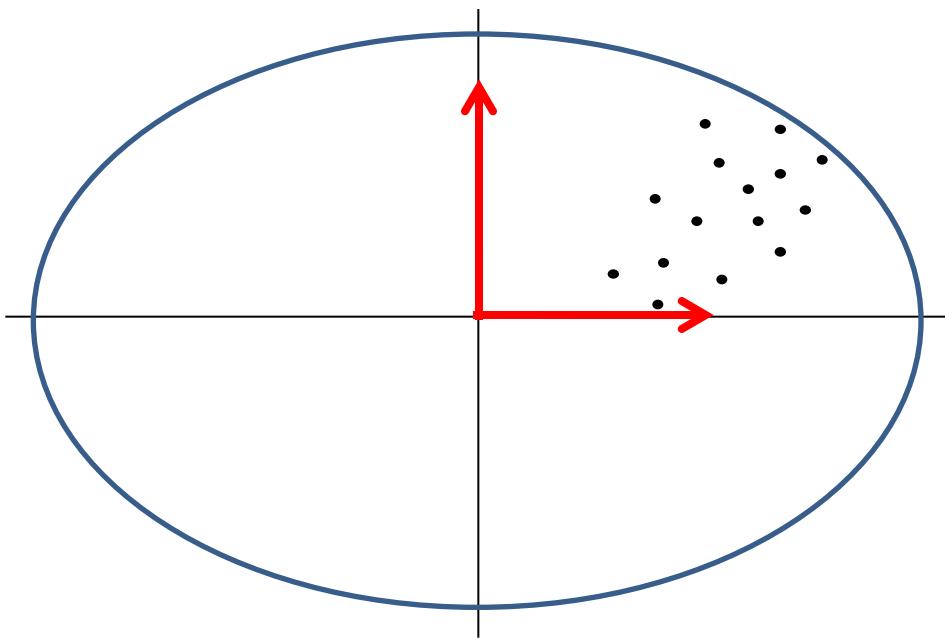


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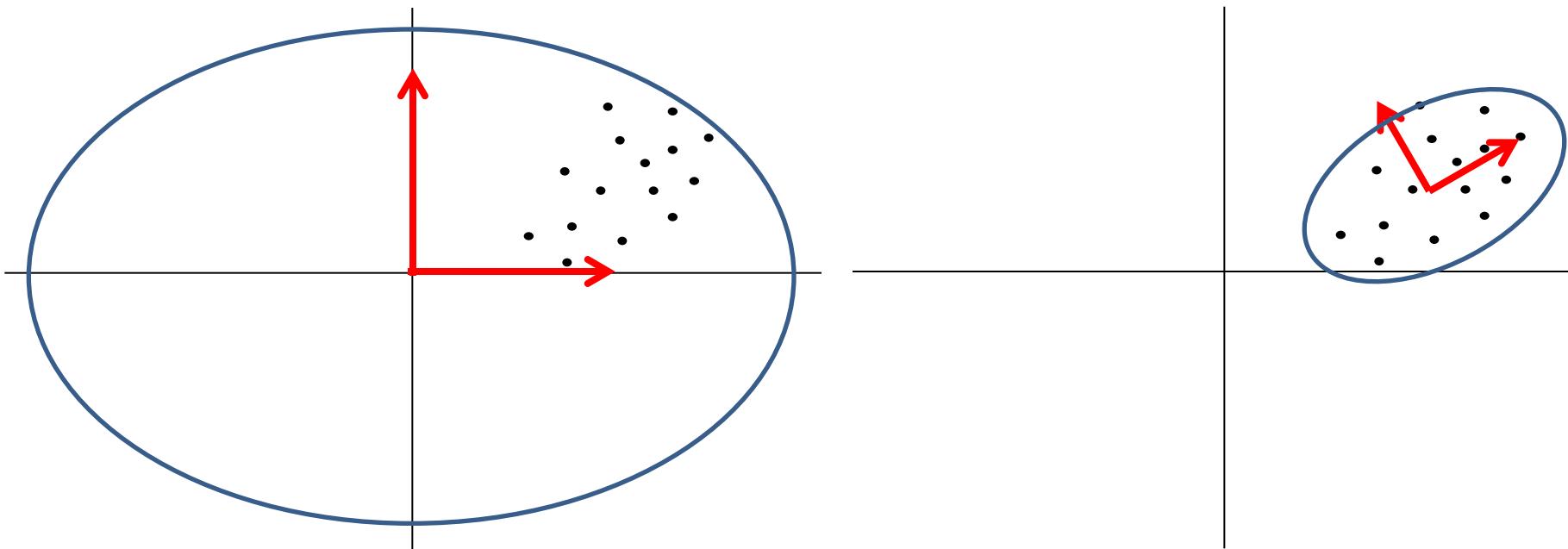
- Approximate every face  $f$  as
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- Estimate  $V$  to minimize the squared error
- *Error is unexplained by  $V_1 \dots V_k$*
- ***Error is orthogonal to Eigenfaces***

# Karhunen Loeve vs. PCA



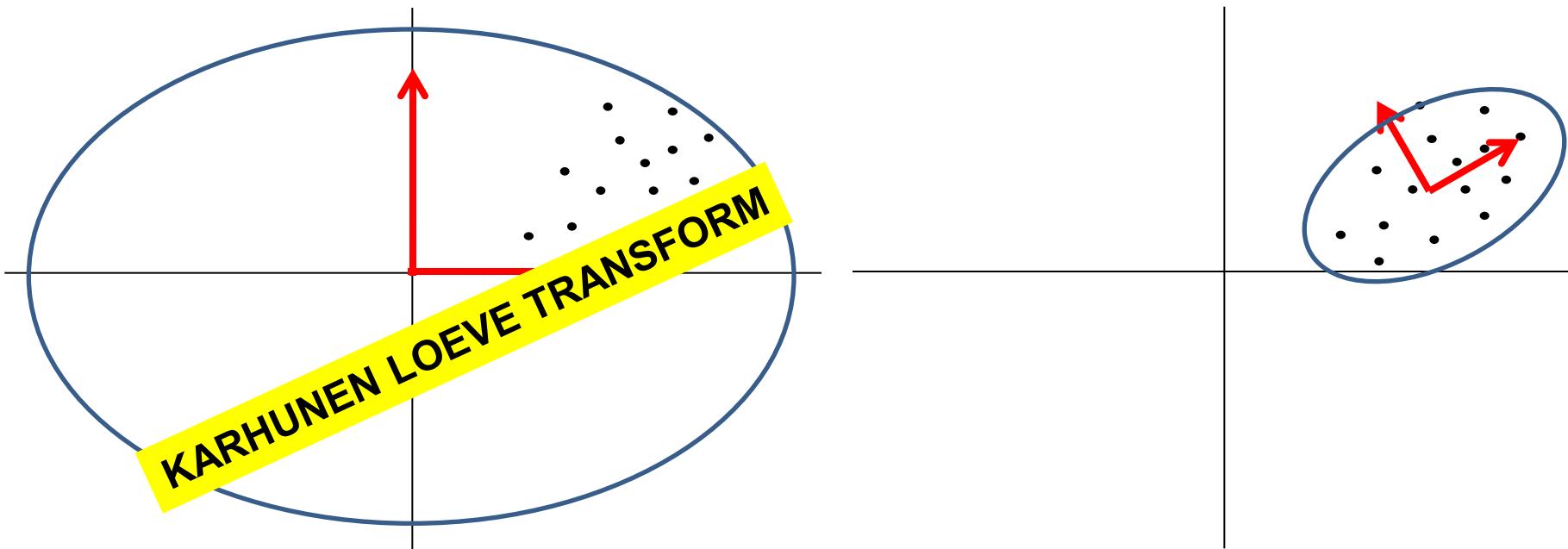
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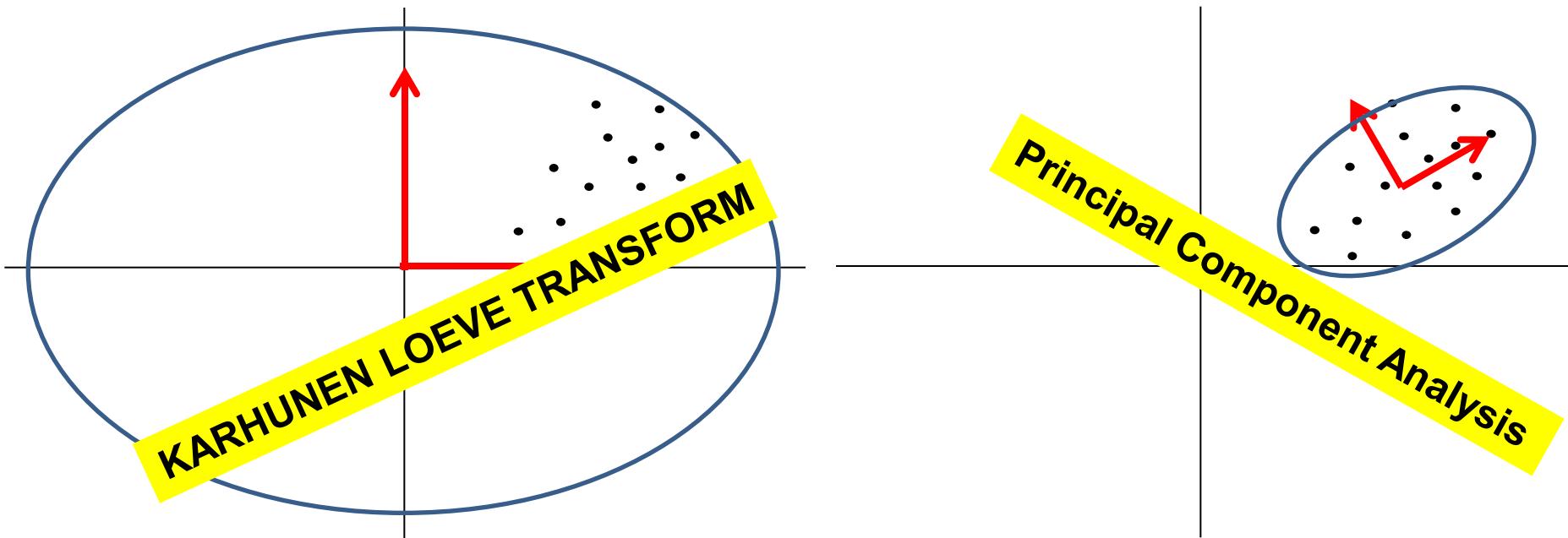
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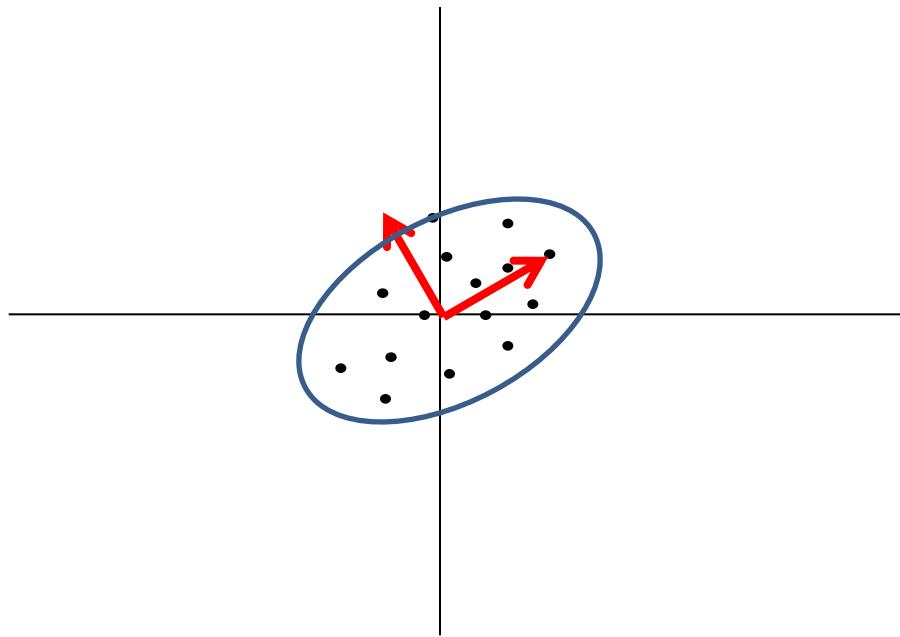
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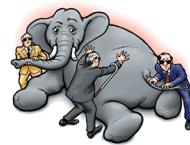


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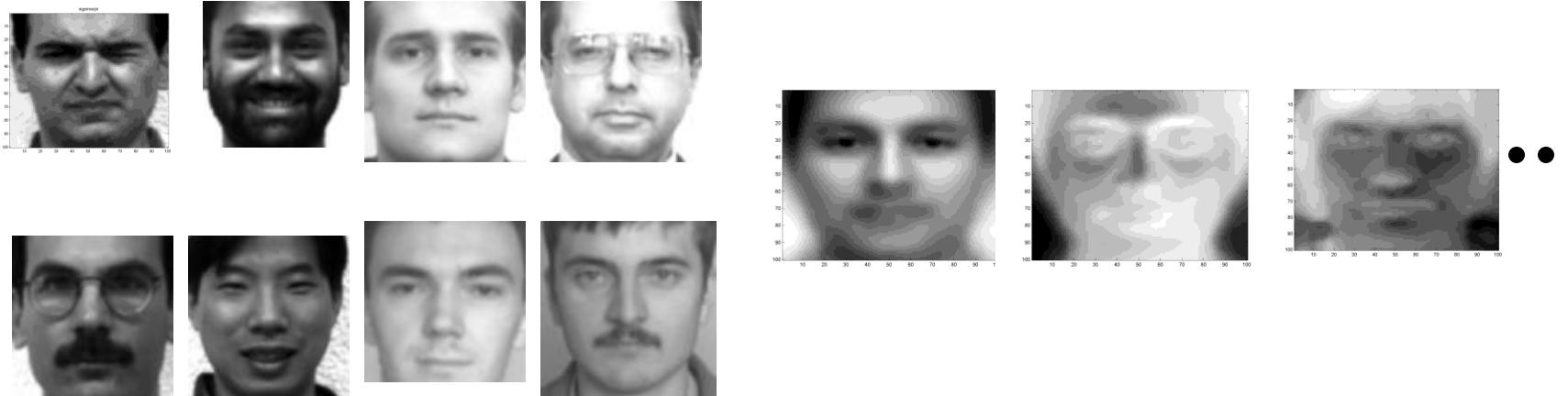
# Karhunen Loeve vs. PCA



- If the data are naturally centered at origin, KLT == PCA
- Following slides refer to PCA!
  - Assume data centered at origin for simplicity
    - Not essential, as we will see..

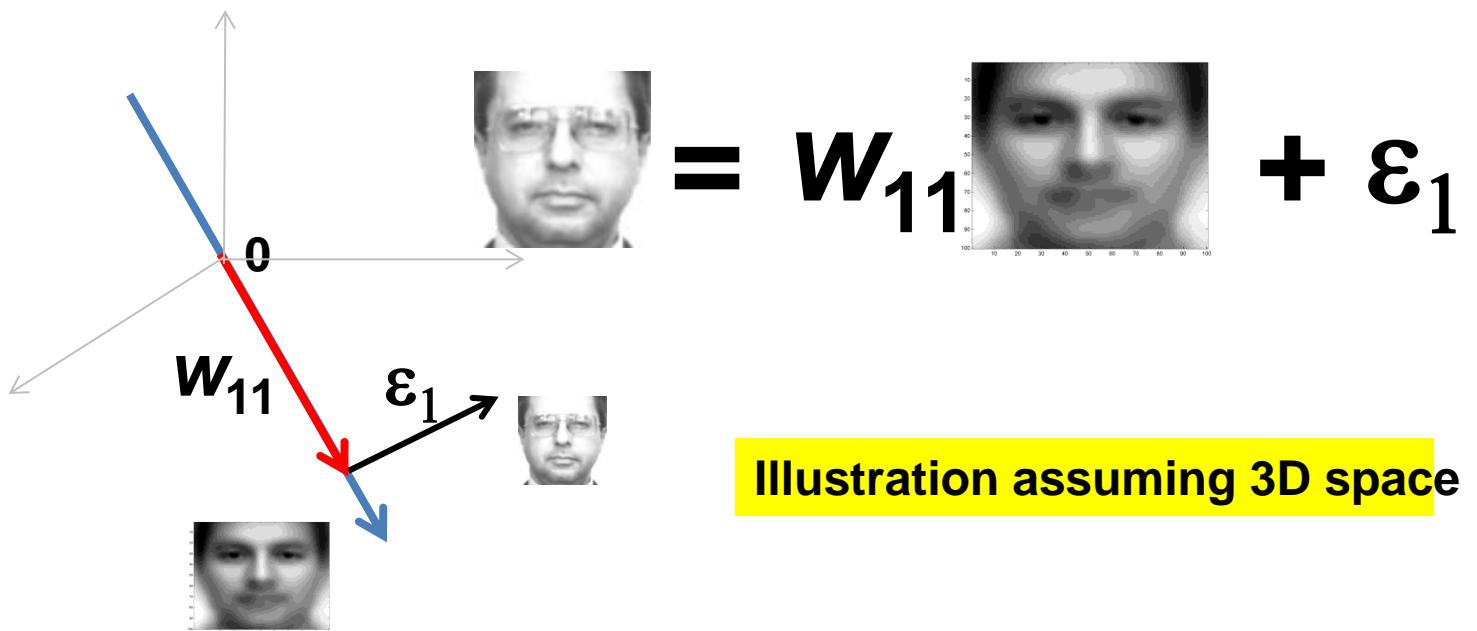


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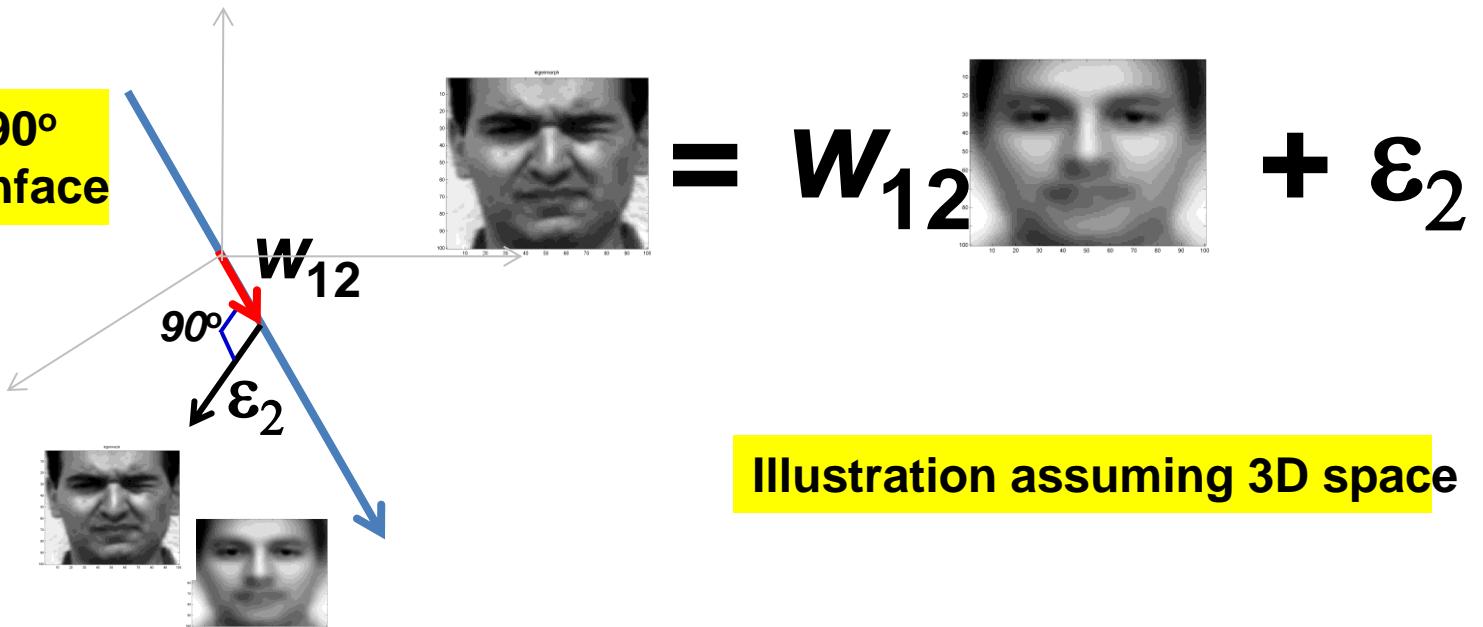
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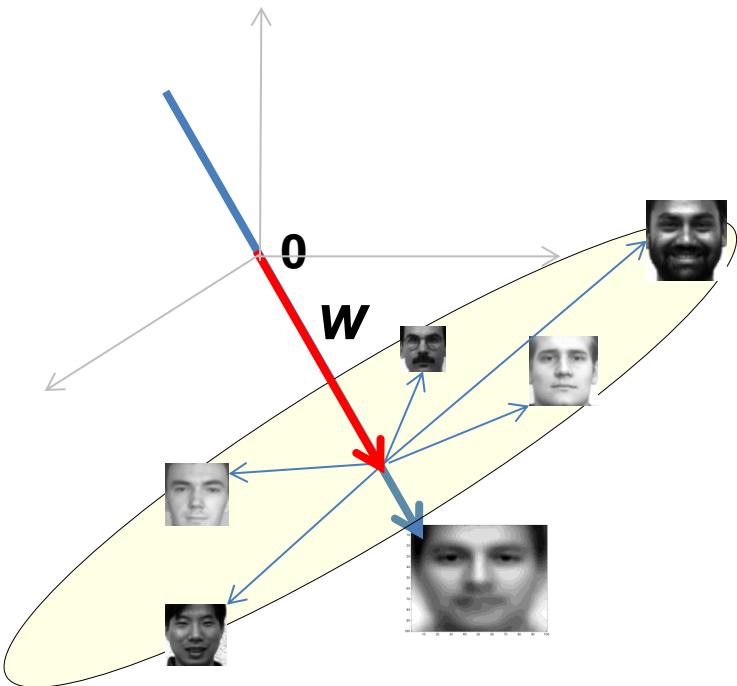
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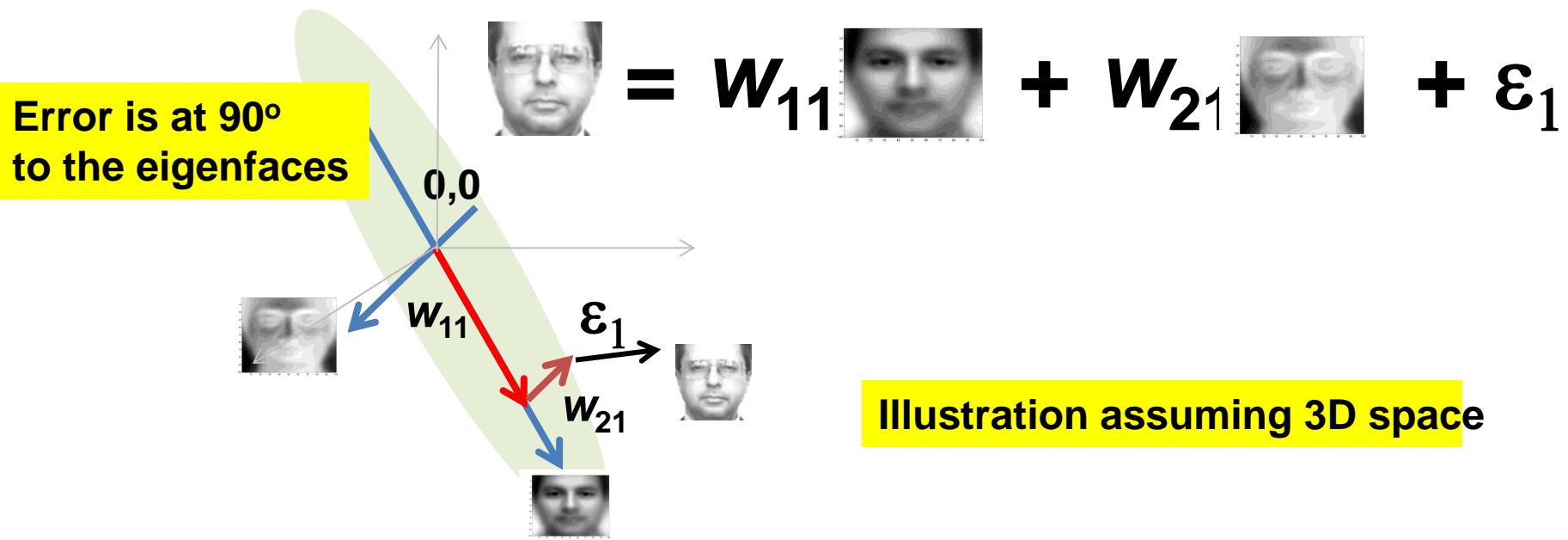
# Representation



All data with the same representation  $wV_1$  lie a plane orthogonal to  $wV_1$

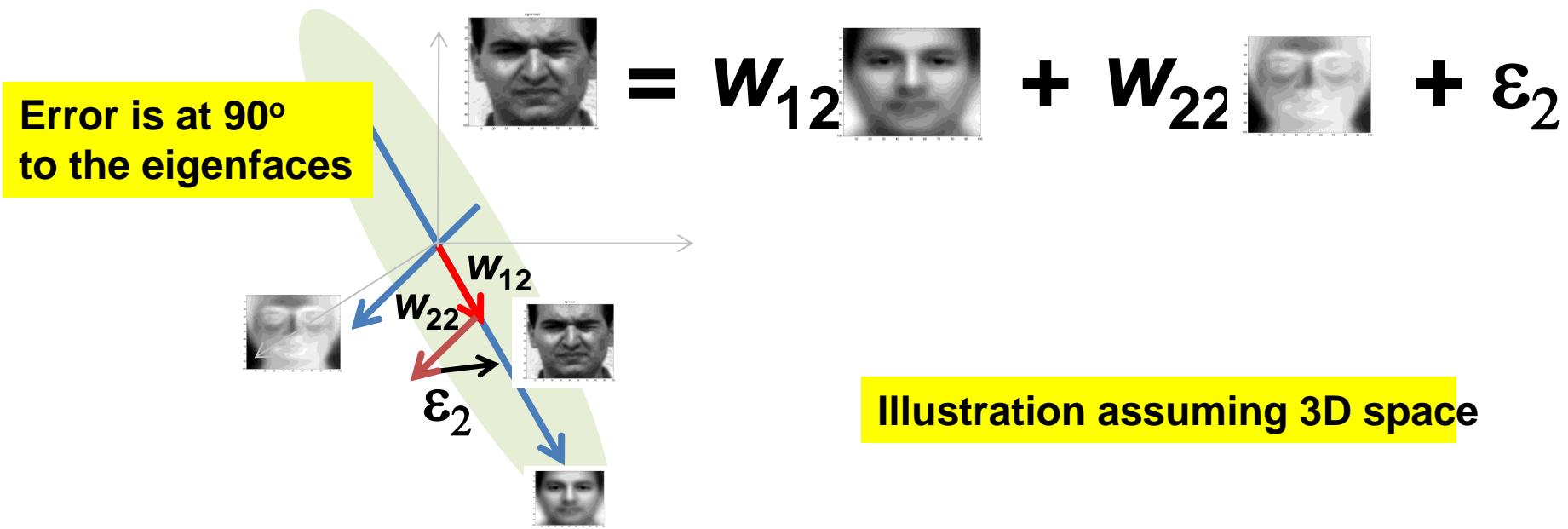
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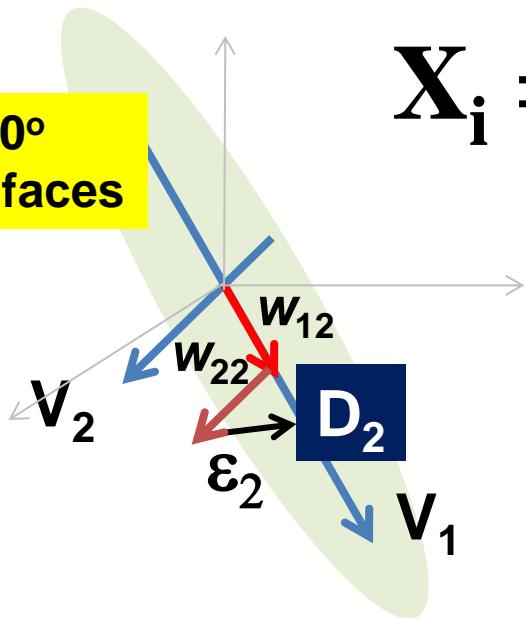
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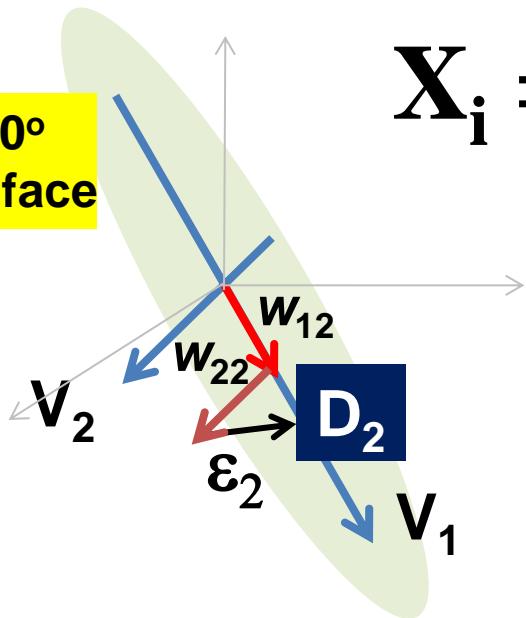
$$\mathbf{X}_i = w_{1i} \mathbf{V}_1 + w_{2i} \mathbf{V}_2 + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$$

$$\mathbf{X}_i = [\mathbf{V}_1 \quad \mathbf{V}_2] \begin{bmatrix} w_{1i} \\ w_{2i} \end{bmatrix} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$$

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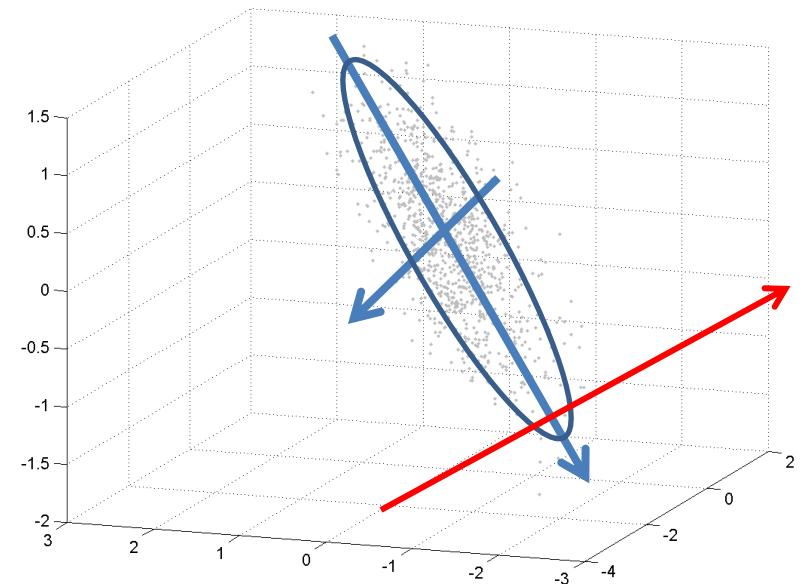
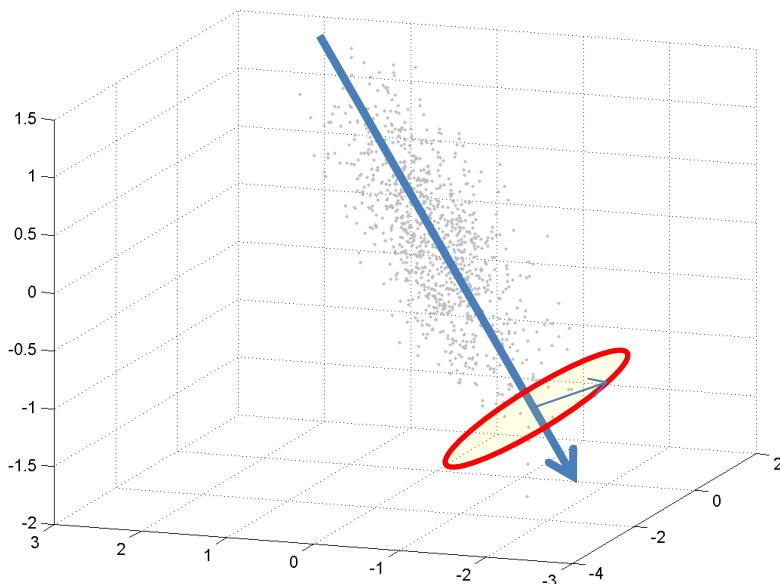


$$X_i = w_{1i}V_1 + w_{2i}V_2 + \epsilon_i$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

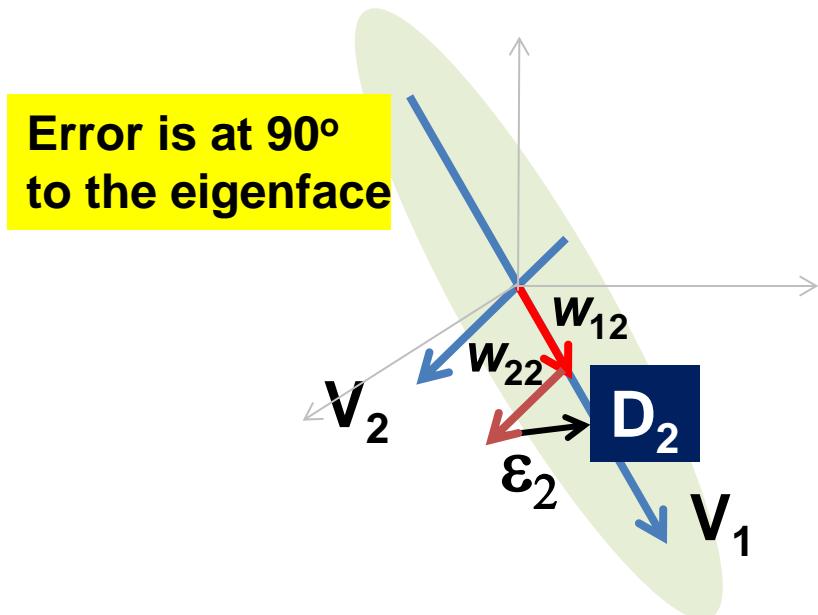
- $K$ -dimensional representation
- $\mathbf{x}$  is a  $D$  dimensional vector
- $\mathbf{V}$  is a  $D \times K$  matrix
- $\mathbf{w}$  is a  $K$  dimensional vector
- $\mathbf{e}$  is a  $D$  dimensional vector

# Learning PCA



- For the given data: find the K-dimensional subspace such that it captures most of the variance in the data
  - Variance in remaining subspace is minimal

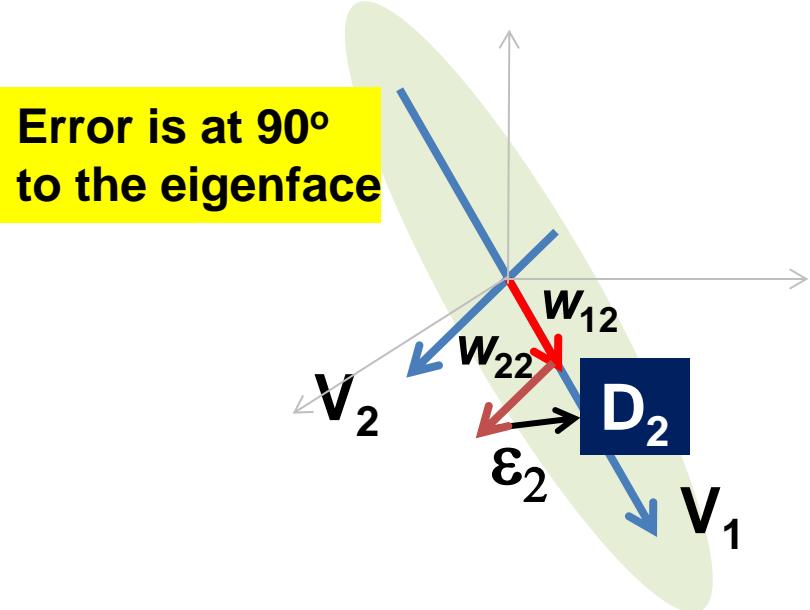
# Constraints



$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

- $\mathbf{V}^T\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$  : Eigen vectors are orthogonal to each other
- For every vector, error is orthogonal to Eigen vectors
  - $\mathbf{e}^T\mathbf{V} = 0$
- Over the *collection* of data
  - Average  $\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T = \text{Diagonal}$  : Eigen representations are uncorrelated
  - Determinant  $\mathbf{e}^T\mathbf{e} = \text{minimum}$ : Error variance is minimum
    - Mean of error is 0

# A Statistical Formulation of PCA



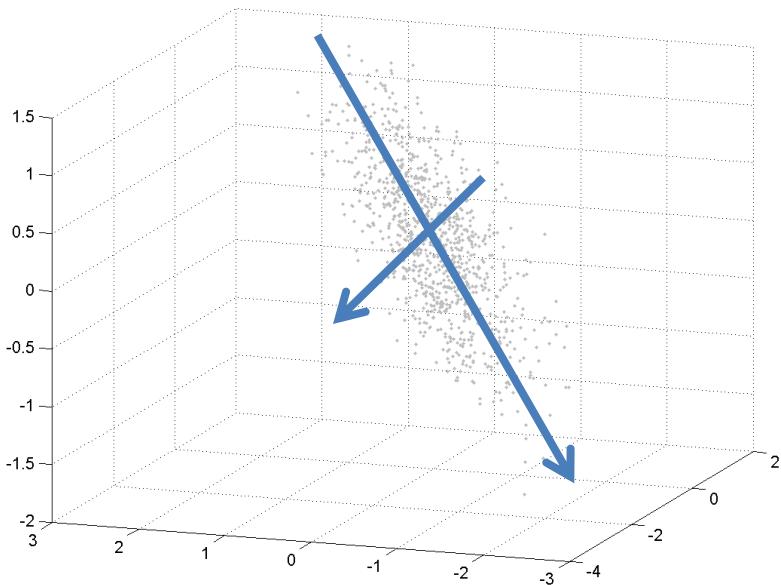
$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\mathbf{w} \sim N(0, B)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  is a random variable generated according to a linear relation
- $\mathbf{w}$  is drawn from an  $K$ -dimensional Gaussian with diagonal covariance
- $\mathbf{e}$  is drawn from a 0-mean ( $D-K$ )-rank  $D$ -dimensional Gaussian
- Estimate  $\mathbf{V}$  (and  $B$ ) given examples of  $\mathbf{x}$

# Linear Gaussian Models!!



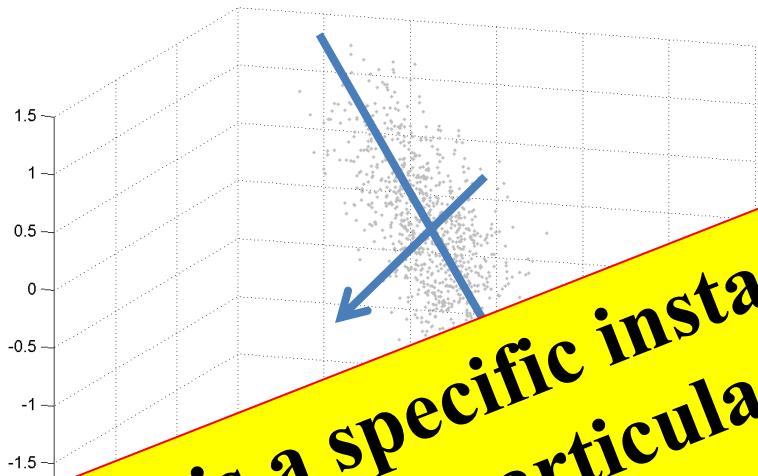
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$$\mathbf{w} \sim N(0, B)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  is a random variable generated according to a linear relation
- $\mathbf{w}$  is drawn from a Gaussian
- $\mathbf{e}$  is drawn from a 0-mean Gaussian
- Estimate  $\mathbf{V}$  given examples of  $\mathbf{x}$ 
  - In the process also estimate  $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$

# Linear Gaussian Models!!



PCA is a specific instance of a linear Gaussian model with particular constraints

- $B = \text{Diagonal}$
- $VTV = I$
- $E$  is low rank
- $\mu$  mean Gaussian
- Given examples of  $x$ 
  - In the process also estimate  $B$  and  $E$

$w$

leading to a linear relation

# Linear Gaussian Models

$$\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{w} \sim N(0, B) \\ \mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

- Observations are linear functions of two *uncorrelated* Gaussian random variables
  - A “weight” variable  $\mathbf{w}$
  - An “error” variable  $\mathbf{e}$
  - Error not correlated to weight:  $E[\mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{w}] = 0$
- Learning LGMs: Estimate parameters of the model given instances of  $\mathbf{x}$ 
  - The problem of learning the distribution of a Gaussian RV

# LGMs: Probability Density

$$\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{w} \sim N(0, B) \\ \mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

- The mean of  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$E[\mathbf{x}] = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{V}E[\mathbf{w}] + E[\mathbf{e}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

- The Covariance of  $\mathbf{x}$ :

$$E[(\mathbf{x} - E[\mathbf{x}])(\mathbf{x} - E[\mathbf{x}])^T] = \mathbf{V}B\mathbf{V}^T + E$$

# The probability of $\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{w} &\sim N(0, B) \\ \mathbf{e} &\sim N(0, E)\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{x} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^T + \mathbf{E})$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^T + \mathbf{E}|}} \exp\left(-0.5(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{V}^T + \mathbf{E})^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  is a linear function of Gaussians:  $\mathbf{x}$  is also Gaussian
- Its mean and variance are as given

# Estimating the variables of the model

$$\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\mathbf{w} \sim N(0, B)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

$$\mathbf{x} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V}B\mathbf{V}^T + E)$$

- Estimating the variables of the LGM is equivalent to estimating  $P(\mathbf{x})$ 
  - The variables are  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ ,  $\mathbf{V}$ ,  $B$  and  $E$

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- The model is indeterminate:
  - $\mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{C})(\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{w})$
  - We need extra constraints to make the solution unique
- Usual constraint :  $B = \mathbf{I}$ 
  - Variance of  $\mathbf{w}$  is an identity matrix

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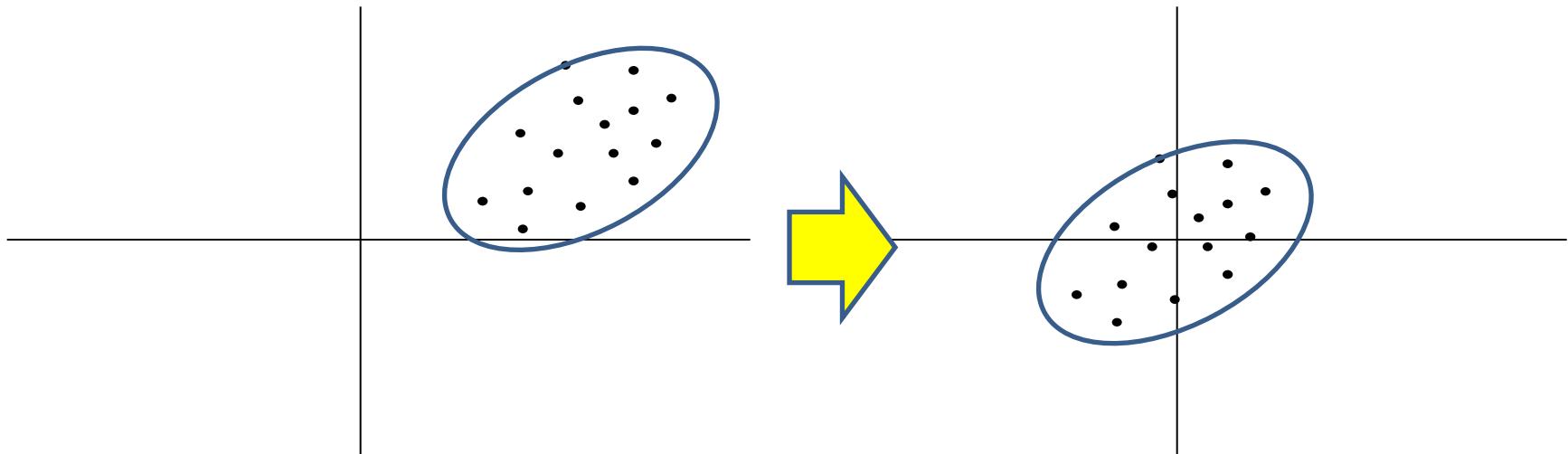
# The Maximum Likelihood Estimate

$$\mathbf{x} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + \mathbf{E})$$

- Given training set  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$ , find  $\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{E}$
- The ML estimate of  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  does not depend on the covariance of the Gaussian

$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i$$

# Centered Data



- We can safely assume “centered” data
  - $\mu = 0$
- If the data are not centered, “center” it
  - Estimate mean of data
    - Which is the maximum likelihood estimate
  - Subtract it from the data

# Simplified Model

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\mathbf{w} \sim N(0, I)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

$$\mathbf{x} \sim N(0, \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)$$

- Estimating the variables of the LGM is equivalent to estimating  $P(\mathbf{x})$ 
  - The variables are  $\mathbf{V}$ , and  $E$

# Estimating the model

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$\mathbf{x} \sim N(0, \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)$$

- Given a collection of  $\mathbf{x}_i$  terms
  - $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N$
- Estimate  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $E$
- $\mathbf{w}$  is unknown for each  $\mathbf{x}$
- **But if assume we know  $\mathbf{w}$  for each  $\mathbf{x}$ , then what do we get:**

# Estimating the Parameters

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i + \mathbf{e} \quad P(\mathbf{e}) = N(0, E)$$

$$P(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}) = N(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}, E)$$

$$P(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^D |E|}} \exp\left(-0.5(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w})^T E^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w})\right)$$

- We will use a *maximum-likelihood estimate*
- The log-likelihood of  $\mathbf{x}_1..x_N$  *knowing* their  $\mathbf{w}_i$ s

$$\log P(\mathbf{x}_1..x_N | \mathbf{w}_1..w_N) =$$

$$-0.5N \log |E^{-1}| - 0.5 \sum_i (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i)^T E^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i)$$

# Maximizing the log-likelihood

$$LL = -0.5N \log |E^{-1}| - 0.5 \sum_i (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i)^T E^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i)$$

- Differentiating w.r.t.  $\mathbf{V}$  and setting to 0

$$2 \sum_i E^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i) \mathbf{w}_i^T = 0$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{w}_i^T \right) \left( \sum_i \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^T \right)^{-1}$$

- Differentiating w.r.t.  $E^{-1}$  and setting to 0

$$E = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T - \mathbf{V} \sum_i \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T \right)$$

# Estimating LGMs: If we know $\mathbf{w}$

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i + \mathbf{e}$$

$$P(\mathbf{e}) = N(0, E)$$

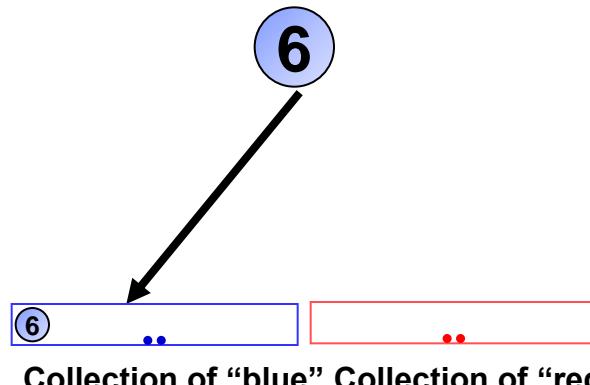
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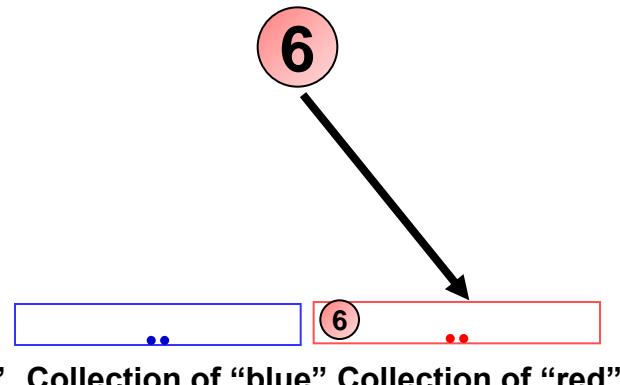
- But in reality we *don't* know the  $\mathbf{w}$  for each  $\mathbf{x}$ 
  - So how to deal with this?
- EM..

# Recall EM

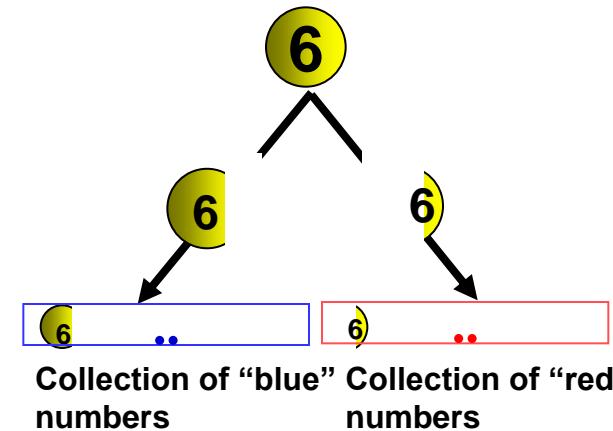
Instance from blue dice



Instance from red dice



Dice unknown



- We figured out how to compute parameters if we *knew* the missing information
- Then we “fragmented” the observations according to the posterior probability  $P(z|x)$  and counted as usual
- In effect we took the expectation with respect to the a posteriori probability of the missing data:  $P(z|x)$

# EM for LGMs

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w}_i + \mathbf{e}$$

$$P(\mathbf{e}) = N(0, E)$$

$$\mathbf{V} = \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{w}_i^T \right) \left( \sum_i \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^T \right)^{-1}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^T - \mathbf{V} \sum_i \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^T \right)$$



$$\mathbf{V} = \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i} [\mathbf{w}^T] \right) \left( \sum_i E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i} [\mathbf{w} \mathbf{w}^T] \right)^{-1}$$

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- Replace unseen data terms with expectations taken w.r.t.  $P(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i)$

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# Expected Value of w given x

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

$$P(\mathbf{e}) = N(0, E)$$

$$P(\mathbf{w}) = N(0, I)$$

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = N(0, \mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are jointly Gaussian!
  - $\mathbf{x}$  is Gaussian
  - $\mathbf{w}$  is Gaussian
  - They are linearly related

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(\mathbf{z}) = N(\mu_{\mathbf{z}}, C_{\mathbf{zz}})$$

# Expected Value of $\mathbf{w}$ given $\mathbf{x}$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e} \quad \mathbf{z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\mu_{\mathbf{z}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{\mathbf{x}} \\ \mu_{\mathbf{w}} \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$P(\mathbf{w}) = N(0, I)$$

$$C_{\mathbf{zz}} = \begin{bmatrix} C_{\mathbf{xx}} & C_{\mathbf{xw}} \\ C_{\mathbf{wx}} & C_{\mathbf{ww}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{\mathbf{xw}} = E[(\mathbf{x} - \mu_{\mathbf{x}})(\mathbf{w} - \mu_{\mathbf{w}})^T] = \mathbf{V}$$

$$C_{\mathbf{zz}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{VV}^T + E & \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{V}^T & I \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are jointly Gaussian!

# The conditional expectation of $\mathbf{w}$ given $\mathbf{z}$

- $P(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{z})$  is a Gaussian

$$P(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{x}) = N(\mu_{\mathbf{w}} + C_{\mathbf{wx}} C_{\mathbf{xx}}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \mu_{\mathbf{x}}), C_{\mathbf{ww}} - C_{\mathbf{wx}} C_{\mathbf{xx}}^{-1} C_{\mathbf{xw}})$$

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$$P(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{x}) = N(\mathbf{V}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)^{-1} \mathbf{x}, I - \mathbf{V}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)^{-1} \mathbf{V})$$

$$E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}] = \mathbf{V}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)^{-1} \mathbf{x}_i \quad E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] = Var(\mathbf{w}) + E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}] E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}]^T$$

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# LGM: The complete EM algorithm

- Initialize  $\mathbf{V}$  and  $E$
- E step:

$$E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}] = \mathbf{V}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)^{-1} \mathbf{x}_i$$

$$E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] = I - \mathbf{V}^T (\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T + E)^{-1} \mathbf{V} + E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}] E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}]^T$$

- M step:

$$\mathbf{V} = \left( \sum_i \mathbf{x}_i E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}^T] \right) \left( \sum_i E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{x}_i}[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}^T] \right)^{-1}$$

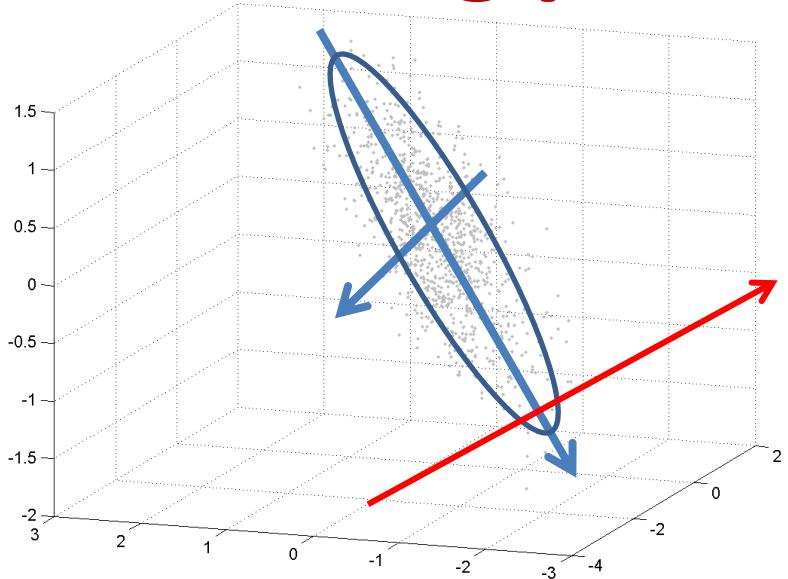
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# So what have we achieved

- Employed a complicated EM algorithm to learn a *Gaussian* PDF for a variable  $x$
- What have we gained???
- Next class:
  - PCA
    - Sensible PCA
    - EM algorithms for PCA
  - Factor Analysis
    - FA for feature extraction

# LGMs : Application 1

## Learning principal components



$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V}\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{e}$$

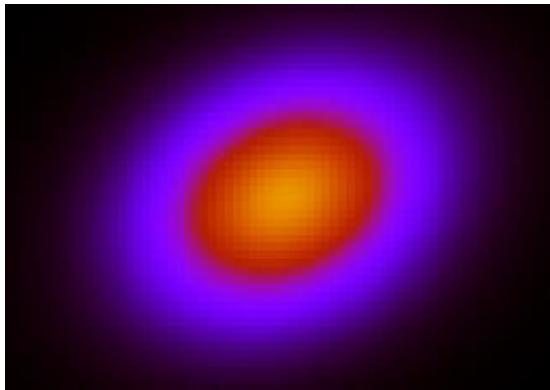
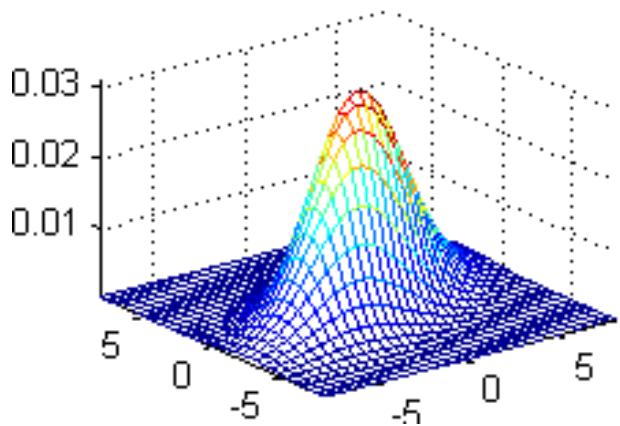
$$\mathbf{w} \sim N(0, I)$$

$$\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, E)$$

- Find directions that capture most of the variation in the data
- Error is orthogonal to these variations

# LGMs : Application 2

## Learning with insufficient data



FULL COV FIGURE

- The full covariance matrix of a Gaussian has  $D^2$  terms
- Fully captures the relationships between variables
- Problem: **Needs a lot of data to estimate robustly**

# To be continued..

- Other applications..
- Next class