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Subject: Re: Help with MNF in ENVI

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You are the man, Peter.

You got it all correct (it's ## if you want to know). I was messing with evec but no luck. Thanks again.

Pan

PS, just read your reply again. Found a minor bug, for AVG, it's only computed for the selected bands but stored in original order. So the non-selected bands have zero in the array.

On Wed, 21 Apr 2004, Peter Mason wrote:

> Zhihong Pan wrote:

>> Hi, All

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>> First post here, need help for MNF transformation in ENVI program.

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>> I can use MNF\_DOIT for transformation of an image. But now I want to

>> apply the existing MNF transformation to a few spectra but ENVI

>> doesn't support it. I assume the transformation matrix is saved in the

>> MNF statistics file but not sure about the details. Any comments

>> appreciated.

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>> BTW, this might not be the correct forum for ENVI question. Any

>> recommends of forums for ENVI program?

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>> Thanks

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> It seems to be okay to post ENVI questions here. <cringes>

> Anyway... I was also faced with this issue a few years ago. I did some

> experiments and, IIRC, in an MNF stats file the forward transformation

> matrix is saved in the spot where the \*covariance\* matrix is usually saved.

> The MNF eigenvalues are saved in the eigenvalue spot. Not sure about the

> eigenvectors spot - possibly the reverse transformation matrix.

> It has been some time since I checked this and things might have changed,

> but assuming they haven't, this is how you'd get the goodies to do your own

> MNF transform:

> envi\_get\_statistics, stats\_file\_name, cpos=cpos, mean=avg, cov=fmnf,

> eval=mnfeval

> (You don't actually need MNFEVAL for the transform but it's handy for a

> plot.)

> More detail:

> The image mean (AVG) is always computed for all bands while the MNF stats  
> can be computed for a subset. CPOS is an index array showing which bands  
> were used. Last I checked, an ENVI stats file doesn't contain band  
> wavelengths so the only check that you can do to see if the stats file  
> \*might\* be spectrally compatible with your spectra is along these lines:  
> Compare your full number of bands against N\_ELEMENTS(AVG) and the size and  
> contents of your selected-bands index array against CPOS.  
> In order to do the transform you will have to extract the MNF's input  
> channel subset from AVG:  
>   AVG\_SUB=AVG[CPOS]  
> The transform for a spectrum SPEC then goes something like this:  
>   (SPEC-AVG\_SUB) ## FMNF  
> ( # or ##? You ask too much of me :- ) FMNF or TRANSPOSE(FMNF)? Again,  
> you ask too much :- ) A couple of experiments with an image and you'll be  
> there.)  
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> BTW, if you are thinking of transforming, say, resampled spectral-library  
> spectra using MNF stats calculated for an image, remember that it'll only  
> work if the spectra are of the same kind as what's in the image (e.g., both  
> reflectance) and are scaled the same (e.g., both 0 to 10000). (This in  
> addition to having the same #bands and wavelengths.)  
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> HTH  
> Cheers  
> Peter Mason  
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