
Subject: Singular Value Decomposition in 3 Dimensions
Posted by [tomandwilltamu08](#) on Tue, 02 Sep 2008 16:33:36 GMT
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-Will

Subject: Re: Singular Value Decomposition in 3 Dimensions
Posted by [Mort Canty](#) on Wed, 03 Sep 2008 11:46:29 GMT
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SVD is a decomposition theorem for matrices (2D arrays). I think you may have an incorrect understanding of what principal (not principle) component analysis means. If you apply PCA to a stack of n 2048x2048 images, you will get n 2048x2048 principal component images. The n images will be uncorrelated and stacked in the order of decreasing variance.

Mort

Subject: Re: Singular Value Decomposition in 3 Dimensions
Posted by [Juggernaut](#) on Wed, 03 Sep 2008 11:52:00 GMT
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On Sep 2, 12:33 pm, tomandwilltam...@gmail.com wrote:

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FOR i=0, sz[2]-1 DO BEGIN
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ENDFOR
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Posted by [Juggernaut](#) on Wed, 03 Sep 2008 11:56:07 GMT

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On Sep 3, 7:52 am, Bennett <juggernau...@gmail.com> wrote:

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By the way the for loop can be eliminated by just putting
 transpose(reform(array, sz[0]*sz[1], sz[2])) into pcomp

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result = pcomp(transpose(reform(array, sz[0]*sz[1], sz[2])), ...)

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