

# Disturbance Grassmann Kernels for Subspace-Based Learning

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## I. PROOF OF LEMMA 5.1-5.2

The equivalence relation between two Grassmann elements,  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\mathbf{U}'$ , are defined such that there exists a  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_m$  such that

$$\mathbf{U}' = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}_m.$$

As a result, the basis matrix is rotation invariant to any  $\mathbf{Q}_m$ . Hence, let  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m$  and  $\mathbf{Q}_m$  be two orthogonal matrixes. Then  $\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}_m$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{U}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m$  are the equivalent representations of  $\mathbf{U}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{U}}$ , respectively. Due to the exponential mapping,

$$\tilde{\mathbf{U}} = \pi(\mathbf{H}) = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{V}_H \quad \mathbf{U}_H) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Sigma_H & \\ & \sin \Sigma_H \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_H^T, \quad (1)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{H} = \mathbf{U}_H \Sigma_H \mathbf{V}_H^T, \quad (2)$$

we have the relation:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{U}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m = (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{Q}_m\mathbf{V}_H \quad \mathbf{U}_H) \begin{pmatrix} \cos \Sigma_H & \\ & \sin \Sigma_H \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_H^T \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m. \quad (3)$$

Because  $\mathbf{V}_H$  is a unitary matrix, let  $\mathbf{Q}_m = \mathbf{V}_H^T$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m = \mathbf{V}_H$ . Substituting them into Eq. (3), we obtain

$$\tilde{\mathbf{U}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}_m = \mathbf{U} \cos \Sigma_H + \mathbf{U}_H \sin \Sigma_H \quad (4)$$

for which we can construct a new tangent vector as

$$\mathbf{H}^* = \mathbf{U}_H \Sigma_H. \quad (5)$$

And because

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{U}_\perp \mathbf{Z} \quad (6)$$

we can rewrite the tangent vector as

$$\mathbf{H}^* = \mathbf{U}_\perp \mathbf{Z} = \hat{\mathbf{H}} \Theta \quad (7)$$

where  $\Theta$  is a diagonal matrix with entries as vector length  $\theta_i = \|\mathbf{U}_\perp \mathbf{z}_i\| = \|\mathbf{z}_i\|$ , and  $\hat{\mathbf{H}} = \Theta^{-1} \mathbf{U}_\perp \mathbf{Z}$ . The Eq. (5) together with Eq. (7) imply the equivalence,  $\mathbf{U}_H \equiv \hat{\mathbf{H}}$  and  $\Sigma_H \equiv \Theta$ , which manifests the columns of  $\hat{\mathbf{H}}$  are orthonormal. Substitution to Eq. (4) gives the result in Lemma 5.1.

We can further deduce that the  $\mathbf{H}^* = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{V}$ , thus any non-orthonormal  $\mathbf{H}$  is mapped to the equivalent subspace. Therefore, the second lemma is proved.

## II. PROOF OF LEMMA 6.1

To reveal the form of approximated Gaussian noise, we start from the Gaussian perturbation in data. Suppose  $\mathbf{X}$  is a  $D \times N$  data matrix, and  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} + \epsilon_X \mathbf{W}$  is its noisy version controlled by a small constant, where the entries of  $\mathbf{W}$  are independently and identically distributed. For a given  $m < D$ ,  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}$  have the conformally partitions SVDs

$$\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{U} \quad \mathbf{U}_L) \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{V} \quad \mathbf{V}_L)^T \quad (8)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = (\tilde{\mathbf{U}} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{U}}_L) \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma} & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{\Sigma}_L \end{pmatrix} (\tilde{\mathbf{V}} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{V}}_L)^T \quad (9)$$

where  $\Sigma$  and  $\tilde{\Sigma}$  are  $m \times m$  matrices, and all singular values denoted by  $\lambda_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$  are in descending order.

According to the theorem of singular-vector perturbation [1], with an exponential probability, there exists a unitary  $m \times m$  matrix  $\mathbf{Q}$  such that

$$\left\| \tilde{\mathbf{U}}_H \mathbf{M} - (\mathbf{U}_H + \epsilon_X \mathbf{W}_U) \right\| \leq \delta$$

where  $\delta$  is a small value governed by noise level, singular vectors and singular values, and the Gaussian noise matrix  $\mathbf{W}_U$  is given by  $\mathbf{W}_U = \mathbf{U}_L \mathbf{U}_L^T \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V} \Sigma^{-1}$ . When  $\mathbf{X}$  does not have two non-zero singular values that are very close to each other, the rotation by  $\mathbf{Q}$  can be omitted.

It is obvious that the matrix  $\mathbf{U}_L^T \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}$  has a distribution identical to  $\mathbf{W}$  since  $\mathbf{W}$  is spherically Gaussian distributed and coordination transforming by  $\mathbf{U}_L$  and  $\mathbf{V}_H$  has no effect on such a spherical distribution. Let  $\mathbf{W}_0 = \mathbf{U}_L^T \mathbf{W} \mathbf{V}$  which is an  $m \times m$  matrix, then the entries of  $\mathbf{W}_0$  are subject to  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1/D)$ . Thus we reach the conclusion for that the  $\mathbf{U}_L$  presents a null space of  $\mathbf{U}$ .

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