

goals of EOF analysis

1. economy of description
2. orthogonalization

→ reduce data → ~~show~~ reveal redundancies
 → transform into a set of variables
 that are mutually uncorrelated,
 linear independent

~~"When a large number of measurements are available, it is natural to enquire whether they could be replaced by a fewer number of the measurements or of their functions, without loss of much information, for convenience in the analysis and in the interpretation of data"~~ Rao (1964)

great Indian statistician

vector space A (measured variables)

currents @ x_1
currents @ x_2
currents @ x_3
wind @ x_4
wind @ x_5
sealevel @ x_6
sealevel @ x_7
rainfall @ x_8
⋮

$u(t, \vec{x}_1)$
$u(t, \vec{x}_2)$
$u(t, \vec{x}_3)$
$W(t, \vec{x}_4)$
$W(t, \vec{x}_5)$
$h(t, \vec{x}_6)$
$y(t, \vec{x}_7)$
$R(t, \vec{x}_8)$
⋮

vector space B (statistical variables)

$q_{11}(\vec{x}_1)$
$q_{12}(\vec{x}_2)$
$q_{13}(\vec{x}_3)$
$q_{14}(\vec{x}_4)$
$q_{15}(\vec{x}_5)$
$q_{16}(\vec{x}_6)$
$q_{17}(\vec{x}_7)$
$q_{18}(\vec{x}_8)$
⋮

examples of NOAA altimeter data Pacific
Trenberth + Chen (2000)

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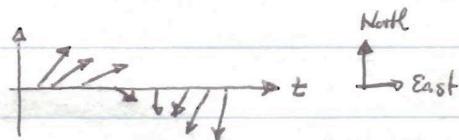
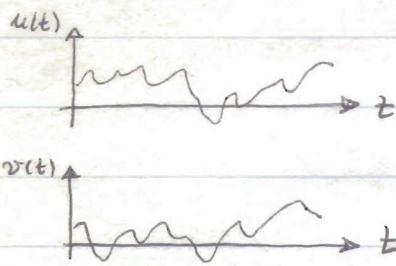
need to interpret statistical
of modes physically
→ not always easy

ex.

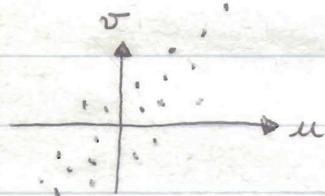
"mode 1 explains 50% of the variance"
+ higher "modes"
explains 30% of variance

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example: $M=2$ $u_1(t) = u_1(t, x_1) \equiv u(t)$ east component
 $u_2(t) = u_2(t, x_2) \equiv v(t)$ north component



time series of
a vector (velocity)
with $M=2$ components



Let's do an EOF of these and see what we will get

(a) compute the cross-covariance matrix

- remove mean $u' = u - \langle \tilde{u} \rangle$

$$\langle \tilde{u} \rangle = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^N u(t_k)$$

$$v' = v - \langle \tilde{v} \rangle$$

$$\langle \cdot \cdot \rangle = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^N \cdot(t_k)$$

- $\begin{pmatrix} \langle u' u' \rangle & \langle u' v' \rangle \\ \langle v' u' \rangle & \langle v' v' \rangle \end{pmatrix} = R_{ij}$ Reynold's stress tensor

(b) find eigenvalues of the cross-covariance matrix (Reynold's stress tensor),
i.e.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle u' u' \rangle & \langle u' v' \rangle \\ \langle v' u' \rangle & \langle v' v' \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

where λ is an eigenvalue and (e_1, e_2) is an eigenvector

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle u'u' \rangle - \lambda & \langle u'v' \rangle \\ \langle v'u' \rangle & \langle v'v' \rangle - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

Cramer's rule states that solutions to linear equations are the ratio of 2 determinants, the denominator is the determinant of the matrix and the numerator is the matrix with the i -th column replaced by the vector on the right hand side, i.e.,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 38 \\ 110 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} 38 & 10 \\ 110 & 30 \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{pmatrix}} = \frac{38 \cdot 30 - 10 \cdot 110}{4 \cdot 30 - 10 \cdot 10} = \frac{40}{20} = 2$$

$$x_2 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 38 \\ 10 & 110 \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{pmatrix}} = \frac{4 \cdot 110 - 10 \cdot 38}{4 \cdot 30 - 10 \cdot 10} = \frac{60}{20} = 3$$

Apply this to our eigenvalue problem

$$e_1 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & R_{12} \\ 0 & R_{22} \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} R_{11}-\lambda & R_{12} \\ R_{21} & R_{22}-\lambda \end{pmatrix}} = \frac{0}{(R_{11}-\lambda)(R_{22}-\lambda) - R_{12}R_{21}}$$

$$e_2 = \frac{\det \begin{pmatrix} R_{11} & 0 \\ R_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix}}{\det \begin{pmatrix} R_{11}-\lambda & R_{12} \\ R_{21} & R_{22}-\lambda \end{pmatrix}} = \frac{0}{(R_{11}-\lambda)(R_{22}-\lambda) - R_{12}R_{21}}$$

For non-trivial, i.e. $(e_1, e_2) \neq 0$ solution
we need

$$(R_{11} - \lambda)(R_{22} - \lambda) - R_{12}R_{21} = 0$$

$$R_{11}R_{22} - \lambda R_{22} - \lambda R_{11} + \lambda^2 - R_{12}R_{21} = 0$$

*corrections
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$$\lambda^2 + (R_{11} + R_{22})\lambda + (R_{12}R_{21} - R_{11}R_{22}) = 0$$

$$\lambda_{1/2} = \frac{-\lambda - \sqrt{(\lambda + R_{11} + R_{22})^2 - 4(R_{12}R_{21} - R_{11}R_{22})}}{2}$$

generally complex, however, it can be shown that for symmetric ($R_{12} = R_{21}$)
and Hermitian matrices the eigenvalues are real.

$$(R_{12} = R_{21}^*)$$

Let's take $R_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 10 & 30 \end{pmatrix}$ as before
then

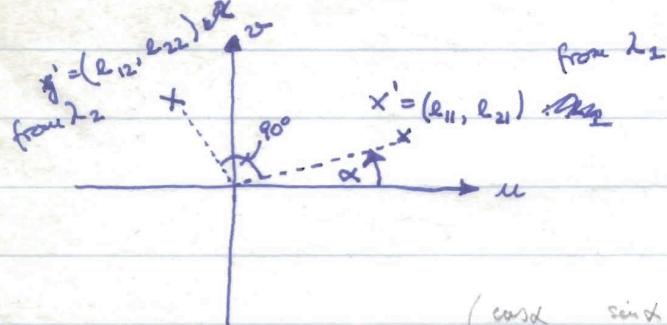
$$\lambda_1 = 33.4$$

$$\lambda_2 = 0.6 \quad \text{note that } \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = R_{11} + R_{22}$$

In order to get the eigenvectors (e_1, e_2) we need to solve
for each eigenvalue the linear equations

$$\begin{pmatrix} R_{12} - \lambda_{1m} & R_{12} \\ R_{21} & R_{22} - \lambda_{1m} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} e_{1m} \\ e_{2m} \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad m = 1, 2$$

What does this now mean, how to interpret the eigenvectors and eigenvalues?



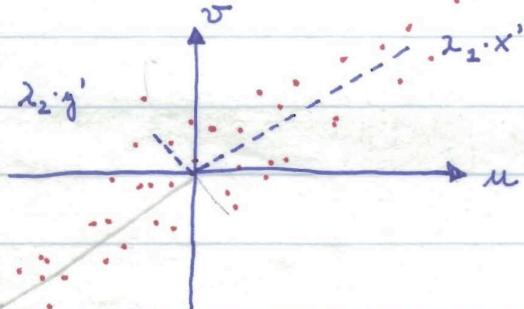
that's a rotation α
of the co-ordinate system.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha & \sin \alpha \\ -\sin \alpha & \cos \alpha \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u(t) \\ v(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A_1(t) \\ A_2(t) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{i.e., the eigenfunctions are } \{\sin \alpha, \cos \alpha\}$$

where $A_1(t)$ and $A_2(t)$

are the "orthogonal" the eigenvectors define a "new" base, i.e., they rotate the timeseries of velocities co-ordinates from the (u, v) to the (x', y') system. For symmetric matrices these new base vectors are orthogonal, i.e., they are linear independent, i.e., they are mutually uncorrelated.

the eigenvalues represent the length, magnitude, relative importance of the respective "base" vectors which is closely related to the variance as $R_{11} + R_{22} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$



in the "new" system
the covariance matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sigma \\ \sigma & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

• data

that's an ellipse
with a major and
a minor axis $\lambda_2 \cdot x'$
and $\lambda_1 \cdot y'$, respectively

⇒ principal components of variability (u and v are correlated)
orthogonal base representing uncorrelated variability (****)