% Exercise 17 -- file 'PCAsup.m'

% Principal Component Analysis of LakeSuperiorAirTemp

% IMPORT FILE 'LakeSuperiorAirTemperature.dat.txt' AND % RENAME THE RESULTING VARIABLE TO 'LakeSuperiorAirTemp'.

% The file contains hourly measurements of air temperature above Lake

- % Superior at four locations:
- % Station-1: Lat 47.08 Lon -90.73
- % Station-2: Lat 47.87 Lon -89.31
- % Station-3: Lat 48.22 Lon -88.37
- % Station-4: Lat 47.18 Lon -87.22

% First, copy the data into separate variables

- aa = LakeSuperiorAirTemp(:,1);
- bb = LakeSuperiorAirTemp(:,2);
- cc = LakeSuperiorAirTemp(:,3);
- dd = LakeSuperiorAirTemp(:,4);

% Remove the NaN's via interpolation

% In this example, I'm using my very simple interpolation method:

- va = sergeiinterpolate(aa);
- vb = sergeiinterpolate(bb);
- vc = sergeiinterpolate(cc);
- vd = sergeiinterpolate(dd);

plot([va vb vc vd])

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% ------ BEFORE YOU BEGIN THE ANALYSIS ------

% Look at the data. Think about how the PCA analysis could be useful here.

% Ask yourself a series of questions.

% What factors do you think may generate variance in this data? (Come up with at least 3)

% (Variance here is anything that departs from the average temperature for the dataset.)

% How many of these factors are independent?

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% Now let's proceed. Choose a record with least sinister gaps.

% You can later play with these numbers

% mybegin=7000; myend=22000; % mybegin=3000; myend=10000;

mybegin=8000; myend=10000; va = va(mybegin:myend);

vb = vb(mybegin:myend);

- vc = vc(mybegin:myend);
- vd = vd(mybegin:myend);
- plot([va vb vc vd])

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% Make a scatter plot to see the dispersion of data

% (We don't have a 4-dimensional space handy, so have to settle for 3D)

plot3(va,vb,vc,'.');grid on

% Rotate the plot and investigate the dimensionality of the data.

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% Subtract off the mean from each vector.

% If there was a sensible and easy trend, I'd subtract that too.

% Stuff them all into a n row x 4 column matrix

mymatrix = [va-mean(va), vb-mean(vb), vc-mean(vc), vd-mean(vd)];
size(mymatrix)

sr=mymatrix; % here, 'sr' is the variable used in the analysis

% Create labels

categories={'St1' 'St2' 'St3' 'St4'};

%%

% Get a quick impression about the data

boxplot(mymatrix,'orientation','horizontal','labels',categories) % You could also use 'plot' to compare pairs of variables,

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% Get a quick idea of correlations

corr(mymatrix)

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% ---- SKIP THIS STEP ON THE FIRST RUN ---% If the four datasets were very different, we'd need to standardize their
% variance. Since they are not, on the first pass it's possible to retain
% the original scale and units. You can run this cell later and compare the
% results.
% Divide the data by the corresponding standard deviations stdr = std(mymatrix);

sr = mymatrix./repmat(stdr,max(size(mymatrix)),1);

% The standardized rankings are now in variable 'sr'

boxplot(sr,'orientation','horizontal','labels',categories)

% ----%%

% Now find the principal components!

[coefs,scores,variances,t2] = princomp(sr);

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% First, look at vectors of principal component coefficients

coefs

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% The first column is the first principal component
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% Note the weights (loadings) for each station

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% Component scores (variable 'scores') are the original data that have been

% mapped into the new variables, i.e. projected on principal components.

% Projection on the first two (most significant) principal components:

plot(scores(:,1),scores(:,2),'+')

xlabel('1st Principal Component');

ylabel('2nd Principal Component');

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% Using the 'variances' output, calculate the percent of variance

% in the data explained by each principal component

percent_explained = 100*variances/sum(variances)
pareto(percent_explained)
xlabel('Principal Component')

ylabel('Variance Explained (%)')

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% Visualize the results of the principal component analysis

biplot(coefs(:,1:2), 'scores',scores(:,1:2),'varlabels',categories);

% Each of the variables is represented in this plot by a vector, and % the direction and length of the vector indicates how each variable % contributes to the two principal components in the plot. % What can you tell about the nature of the first PC? %% % Let's visualize the principal components in another way. % Plot the data along the principal components against time hold off plot(scores) %hold on %plot(-sr(:,1),'black') % Doesn't this look like the first PC is seasonal variation? % Of course, you knew this from the beginning, right? % Is it only seasonal? %% % But what is the second PC? Daily cycle? Latitude? % Use Google Earth or Google Maps to find out the locations of the four stations.

% (Both accept comma-separated (Lat,Lon) pairs.

% Compare the latitudes against the biplot. Is it now clearer?

% Let's compare the magnitudes of the second and third components

plot(scores(:,2:3))

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% Hm, about the same... But can they really be reflections of the same % underlying thing? Well, no! They are orthogonal by construction, remember?

corr(scores)

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% Plot the second and third PCs on a biplot.

biplot(coefs(:,2:3), 'scores',scores(:,2:3),'varlabels',categories);

% Does this give you a clue? Compare to the Google Earth map.

% (This is the part that I find most amazing about this analysis.)

% Explain what you see.

% Additional food for thought: Could daily cycle be a separate PC? % If it were, how would the contributions from the four factors look like?

% For example, could any two of them have different signs?

% Or would all four stations contribute to the component in the same way?

% If so, wouldn't the daily component be included in the first PC?

% Check if you can see the daily cycle in the first principal component.

% We have 2000 hours (data points) in the series, that's 83 days.

% Compare the first PC against the actual temperature data.

% Repeat the analysis using another part of the series (or a longer % series). Do you get the same results?