

OPTIMAL SETS OF PROJECTIONS OF HIGH-DIMENSIONAL DATA

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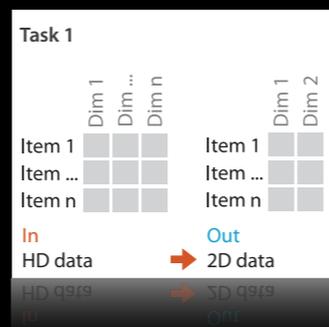
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Recall **REDUCE** task:

- **In:** HD Data
- **Out:** 2D projection

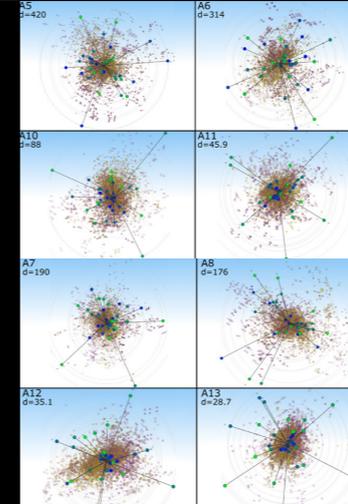
Today's paper:

- **In:** HD Data
- **Out:** "optimal" set of 2D projections



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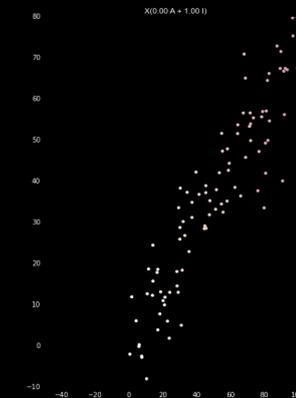
- Large space of potential projections
- Would like to find a minimal set of "interesting" projections to describe our dataset



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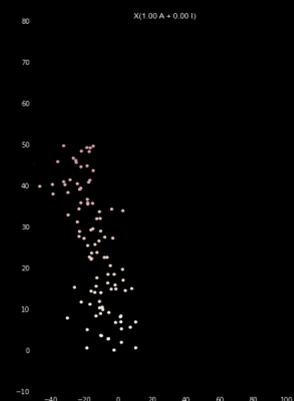
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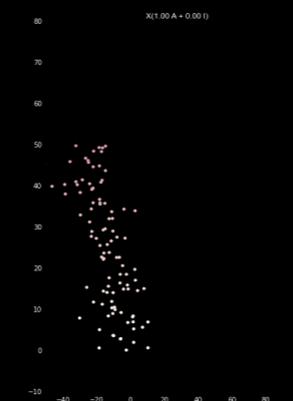
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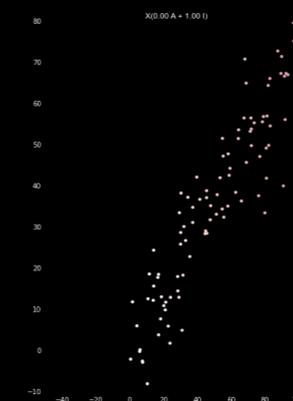
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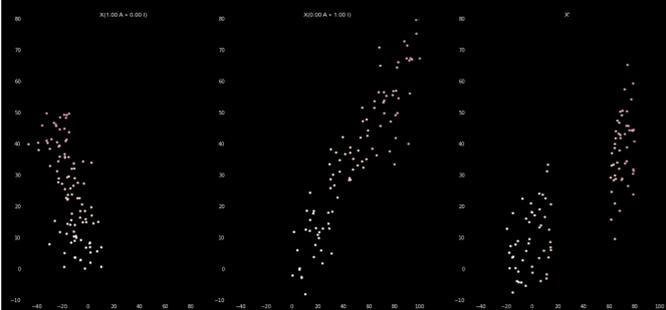
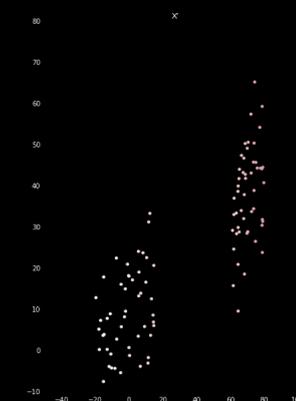
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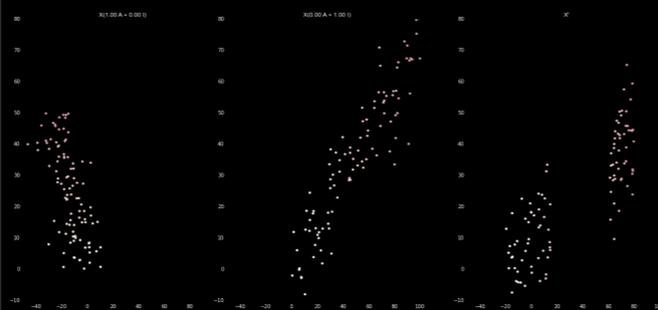
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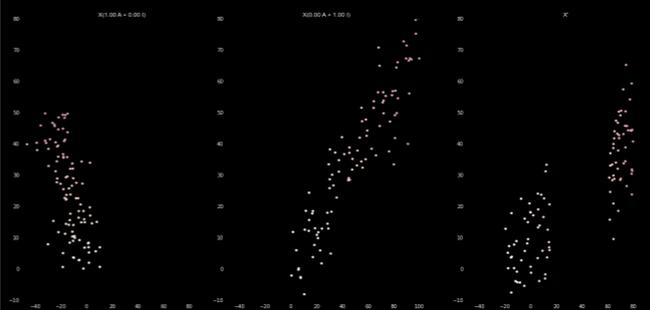
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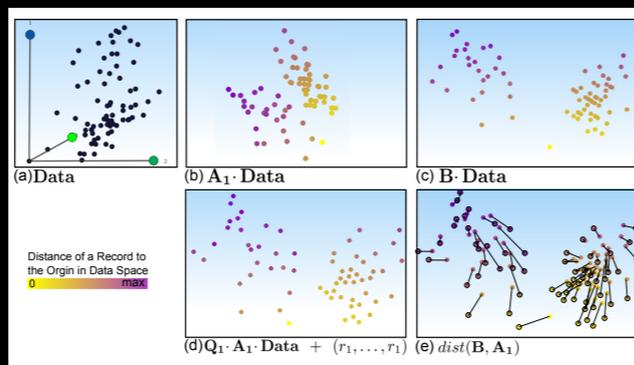


$d(A_1, A_2) = 0$ $d(A_1, A_3) > 0$

ALGORITHM - HIGH LEVEL

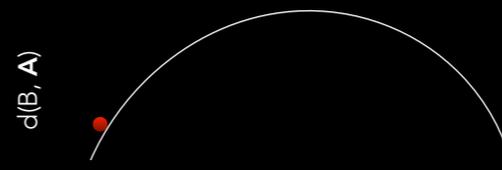
- At iteration i , given set of projections $\mathbf{A} = \{A_0, \dots, A_{i-1}\}$
- Greedily find linear projection B that is most dissimilar from the projections in \mathbf{A}
- Add $A_i = B$ to our set of projections
- Repeat until the best new projection gives no new insight (equivalent up to an affine transformation)

MEASURING DISSIMILARITY



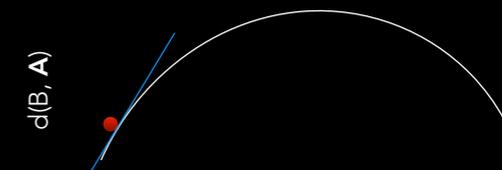
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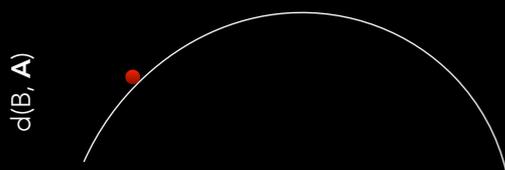
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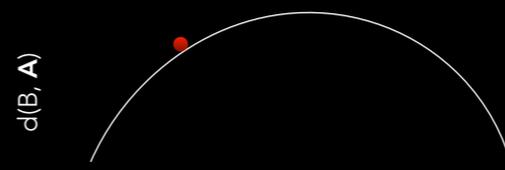
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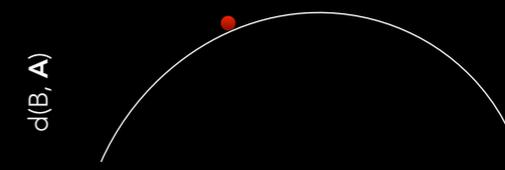
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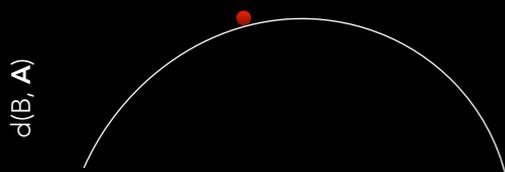
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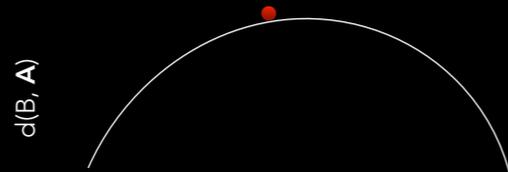
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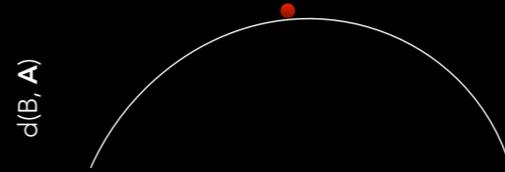
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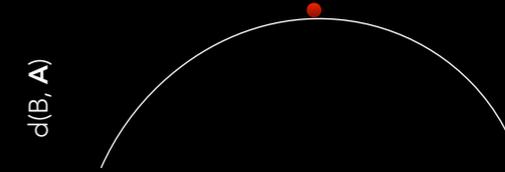
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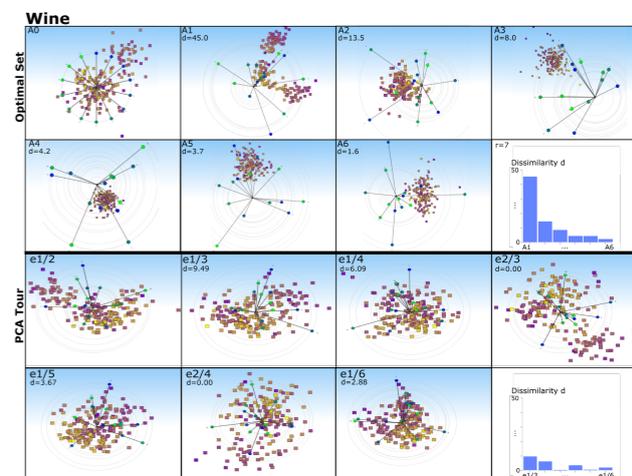
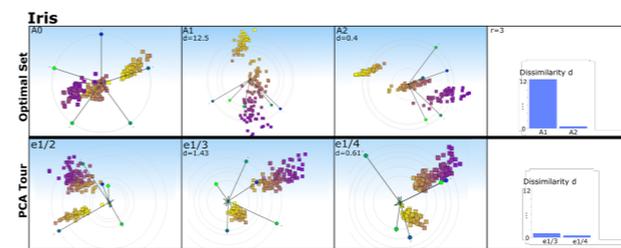
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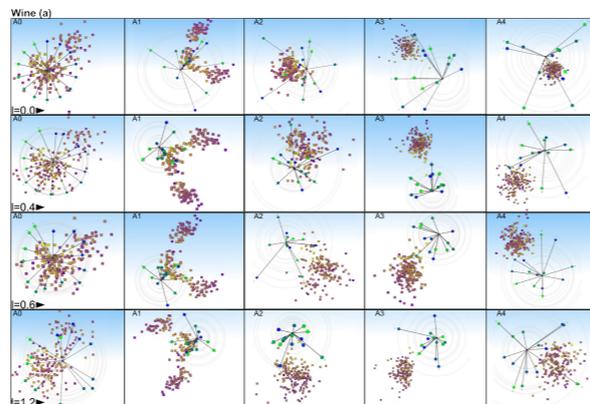
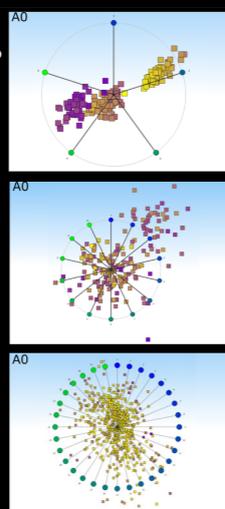
TERMINATING THE ALGORITHM

- Terminate when $d(B, A_0, \dots, A_{i-1}) = 0$.
- i.e. We have a complete set of linear projects up to affine transforms.
- This occurs after at most $n/2$ projections.



HOW DO WE CHOOSE $\{A_0\}$?

- Default choice: radial layout.
- Stable to alternative choices - the data patterns remain visible even if the projections change.



SUMMARY

- The algorithm produces the optimal set of linear projections up to affine transforms.
- Produces $< n/2$ independent projections.
- Relatively robust to initialisation and convergence parameters.
- Scalability could be an issue? Distance is expensive.
- Needs testing to see if the affine assumption reasonable