

# A Guide to the Practical Use of Chemometrics - with applications for Static SIMS

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Chemometrics is the science of relating measurements made on a chemical system to the state of the system via application of mathematical or statistical methods



# Multivariate analysis

- Analysis involving a simultaneous statistical procedure for two or more dependent variables, e.g. mass (SIMS) or binding energy (XPS)
- Summarises the data with a large number of dependent variables using a smaller number of statistical variables





- Advantages
  - Fast and efficient on modern computers
  - Statistically valid
  - Uses all information available
  - Removes potential bias
- Disadvantages
  - Lots of different methods, procedures, terminologies
  - Can be difficult to understand!





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#### Data matrix







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#### Vector inner product

$$a_{x} = 1$$

$$a_{y} = 2$$

$$a_{z} = 4$$

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Vector Inner Product ('dot product')

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = |\mathbf{a}| |\mathbf{b}| \cos \theta$$
$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$$
$$= 1 \times 4 + 2 \times 2 + 4 \times 2$$
$$= 16$$
$$\theta = 44.5^{\circ}$$
$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



Transpose (to exchange rows and columns)  $\mathbf{a}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ Vector length  $|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 4^2}$ 



#### **Vector correlations**



If  $\mathbf{a'b} = 0$  then they are orthogonal i.e. at right angles  $\theta = 90^{\circ}$ 

If they are also of unit length then they are orthonormal i.e.  $|\mathbf{a}| = 1$   $|\mathbf{b}| = 1$ 

Orthogonal vectors are uncorrelated

> If  $\theta \neq 0^{\circ} \neq 90^{\circ}$  then the vectors are neither orthogonal nor collinear – they are correlated

The smaller  $\theta$  is the larger the correlation between **a** and **b** 



#### Matrix addition

 $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{C}$  $(I \times K) + (I \times K) = (I \times K)$ 

- A and B must be the same size
- Each corresponding element is added

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 1 \\ 3 & 8 & 6 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 & 1 \\ 3 & 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(e.g. pure spectra + noise = experimental data)

#### Matrix multiplication

 $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{C}$  $(I \times N)(N \times K) = (I \times K)$ 

- No. of columns of A must be equal no. of rows of B
- Row *i* of A times column *j* of B gives the row *i* and column *j* of the product matrix AB

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \times 1 + 4 \times 3 & 1 \times 2 + 4 \times 2 \\ 2 \times 1 + 2 \times 3 & 2 \times 2 + 2 \times 2 \\ 4 \times 1 + 2 \times 3 & 4 \times 2 + 2 \times 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 10 \\ 8 & 8 \\ 10 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$



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#### Matrix inverse



for a <u>square</u> matrix

 $\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$ 

(only exists if matrix is 'full rank') Matrix pseudoinverse for a <u>rectangular</u> matrix

$$\mathbf{A}^{+} = \mathbf{A}' [\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}']^{-1}$$
$$\mathbf{A}^{+}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$$

We can now solve matrix equation AB = CIf A is square  $B = A^{-1}C$ If A is rectangular  $B = A^+C$ 



Simultaneous equations of any size can be solved by matrices



Rank is the number of rows or columns that are <u>linearly independent</u> To obtain unique solution we require number of variables  $\leq$  rank



# Matrix projections

To write **a** in terms of **x**\* and **y**\*, we find its projections on the new axes





projections of **a** onto new axes

new axes

The new axes **x**\* and **y**\* can be written in terms of **x** and **y** 

$$\begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ y^* \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.87 & 0.5 \\ -0.5 & 0.87 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
projections of new axes old onto old axes



axes

# Matrix projections



#### Data matrix

	Chemical 1	Chemical 2
Sample 1	5	1
Sample 2	2	4
Sample 3	0	6















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#### **Data matrix**

- 1. Each spectrum can be represented by a vector
- Instead of x, y, z in 3D real space, the axes are mass1, mass2, mass3... etc in variable space (also 'data space')
- 3. Without noise, rank of dataset = number of unique components
- 4. With random, uncorrelated noise, rank of dataset = number of samples or number of variables, whichever is smaller





- Each row of the data matrix contains a spectrum that can be represented by a vector in K dimensional data space (K = no. of mass bins)
- Vectors can be orthogonal (90°), collinear (0°) or correlated
- Vectors can be described using a set of rotated axes by finding their projections onto the new axes
- The rank of a data set represents the number of independent parameters that are needed to fully describe the data



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#### Data analysis





#### Terminology

A well-defined terminology is essential for ideas and practices to be communicated clearly and accurately



"... then we add a smidgin of this – that's less than a dollop, but more than a pinch...".



In order to clarify existing terminology and emphasise the relationship between the different multivariate techniques, we are going to adopt the following terminology in this lecture

Terms Here	Symbol	Definition	РСА	MCR	PLS
Factor	-	An axis in the data space representing an underlying dimension that contributes to summarising or accounting for the original data set	Principal Component	Pure Component	Latent Vectors, Latent Variables
Loadings	Р	Correlation between the original variables and the factors	Loadings, Eigenvector	Component Spectrum	Loadings
Scores	Т	Projection of the samples onto the factors	Scores, Projections	Component Concentration	Scores

ISO 18115:Part 1:2007, Surface chemical analysis – Vocabulary –

Part 1: General terms and terms for the spectroscopies, in draft.

# Principal component analysis (PCA)



PCA is a technique for reducing matrices of data to their lowest dimensionality by describing them using a small number of factors

- Factors are directions in the data space that contributes to summarising or accounting for the original data set
- Equivalent to a rotation in data space factors are new axes
- Data described by their projections onto the factors
- Factor analysis techniques differ in the way the factors are extracted



#### **Principal component** l = no. of samplesanalysis (PCA) K = no. of mass units N = no. of factors PCA follows the factor analysis equation – $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{TP'} + \mathbf{E}$ $(I \times K) = (I \times N)(N \times K) + (I \times K)$ Data matrix Residuals (noise) **Projection of variables** Projection of samples onto factors (loadings matrix) onto factors (scores matrix)

We describes the data **X** (rank *R*) using *N* rotated axes (factors), where N < R. Each factor consists of two vectors,  $\mathbf{t}_n$  (scores vector), and  $\mathbf{p}_n$  (loadings vector)

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{TP'} + \mathbf{E} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{t}_n \mathbf{p}'_n + \mathbf{E}$$



### **PCA** outline



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I = no. of samples K = no. of mass units N = no. of factors

Covariance matrix contains information about the variances of data points within the dataset, and is defined as

 $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$   $(K \times K) = (K \times I)(I \times K)$ 

In PCA, **Z** is *decomposed* into a set of eigenvectors **p** and associated eigenvalues  $\lambda$ , such that

 $\mathbf{Z}\mathbf{p} = \lambda \mathbf{p}_{(K \times K)(K \times 1) = (K \times 1)}$ 

Eigenvalues and eigenvectors have some special properties:

- Eigenvalues are positive or zero
- The number of non-zero eigenvalues = rank of data R
- Eigenvectors are orthonormal



#### **PCA** factors

- Because Z is the covariance matrix, eigenvectors of Z are special directions in the data space that is optimal in describing the variance of the data
- Eigenvalues are the amount of variance described by their associated eigenvector



- These eigenvectors are the factors PCA obtain for the factor analysis equation.
   They are sorted by their eigenvalues
- PCA factors successively capture the largest amount of variance (spread) within the dataset
- Projection of samples onto factors (scores) are orthogonal



# PCA – graphical representation

- The first factor lies along the major axis of ellipse and accounts for most variation
- Instead of describing the data using correlated variables m<sub>1</sub> and m<sub>2</sub>, we transform them onto a new basis (factors) which are uncorrelated
- By removing higher factors (variances due to noise) we can reduce dimensionality of data ⇒ 'factor compression'





#### **Number of factors**

#### Data set of 8 spectra from mixing 3 pure compound spectra



- 1. Prior knowledge of system
- 2. 'Scree test': Eigenvalue plot levels off in a linearly decreasing manner after 3 factors
- 3. Percentage of variance captured by *N*<sup>th</sup> eigenvector:

 $\frac{N^{\text{th}} \text{ eigenvalue}}{\text{sum of all eigenvalues}} \times 100\%$ 

4. Percentage of total variance captured by *N* eigenvectors:

 $\frac{\text{sum of eigenvalues up to }N}{\text{sum of all eigenvalues}} \times 100\%$ 



# **Data reproduction**

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{P}' + \mathbf{E} = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{t}_{n}\mathbf{p}'_{n} + \mathbf{E}$$

 $\overline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{T}\mathbf{P}'$ 

#### X is the reproduced data matrix

- reproduced from *N* selected factors
- noise filtered by removal of higher factors that describe noise variations
- useful for MCR

#### E is the matrix of residuals

- should contain noise only
- useful for judging quality of PCA model
- may show up unexpected features!

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{X} - \overline{\mathbf{X}}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{X} - \sum_{n=1}^{N} \mathbf{t}_{n} \mathbf{p}_{n}'$$



### **PCA** outline



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#### Data preprocessing



Data preprocessing is the manipulation of data prior to data analysis...





#### Data preprocessing

- Enhances PCA by bringing out important variance in dataset
- Makes assumption about nature of variance in data
- Can distort interpretation and quantification
- Includes:
  - mass binning
  - peak selection
  - mean centering
  - normalisation
  - variance scaling
  - Poisson scaling
  - Binomial scaling
  - Logarithmic transformation

More details in the following slides





PCA describes variations from the mean



1<sup>st</sup> factor goes from origin to centre of gravity of data 1<sup>st</sup> factor goes from origin and accounts for the highest variance



# Normalisation

Preprocessed data sample *i*, mass *k* 

Raw data sample *i*, mass *k* 

sum

 $\mathbf{\tilde{X}}_{i,k} = \mathbf{X}_{i,k} \times$ 

Total intensity of sample i

- Divide each spectrum by its total ion intensity
- Reduces effects of topography, sample charging, drift in primary ion current
- Assumes chemical variances can be described by relative changes in ion intensities
- Reduces rank of data by 1



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- Divide each variable by its variance in the dataset
- Equalises importance of each variable (i.e. mass)
- Problematic for weak peaks usually used with peak selection
- Called 'auto scaling' if combined with mean centering



P. Geladi and B. Kowalski, *Partial Least-Squares Regression: A Tutorial*, Analytica Chimica Acta, 185 (1986) 1

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- PCA assumes the error associated with each data point is equal
- But SIMS data is dominated by Poisson counting noise noise variance of a peak is proportional to its intensity
- Divide each data point by the square root of the mean sample intensity and the square root of the mean spectrum
  - Provides improved noise rejection in PCA



M. R. Keenan, P. G. Kotula, *Surf. Interface Anal.*, **36** (2004) 203

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Method of preprocessing	Effect of preprocessing	
No preprocessing	First factor goes from origin to mean of data	
Mean centering	All factors describe variations from the mean	
Normalisation	Equalises total ion yield of each sample and emphasise relative changes in ion intensities	
Variance scaling	Equalises variance of every peak regardless of intensity. Best with peak selection.	
Poisson scaling	Equalises <i>noise</i> variance of each data point. Provides greater noise rejection.	



# PCA example (1)

- Three protein compositions (100% fibrinogen, 50% fibrinogen / 50% albumin, 100% albumin) adsorbed onto poly(DTB suberate)
- Loadings on first factor (PC1) shows relative abundance of amino acid peaks of two proteins
- Scores on PC1 separates samples based on protein composition



D.J. Graham et al, *Appl. Surf. Sci.*, **252** (2006) 6860

# PCA example (2)

- SIMS spectra acquired for antiferritin with or without trehalose coating
- Largest variance (PC 1) arises from sample heterogeneity
- PC 2 distinguishes samples protected by trehalose – higher intensities of polar and hydrophilic amino acid fragments
- Trehalose preserves protein conformation in UHV



**PL** 🛛 N. Xia et al, *Langmuir*, **18** (2002) 4090

# PCA example (3)

- 16 different single protein films adsorbed on mica
- Excellent classification of proteins using only 2 factors
- Factors consistent with total amino acid composition of various proteins
- 95% confidence limits provide means for identification / classification



M. Wagner & D. G. Castner, Langmuir, 17 (2001) 4649

# PCA image analysis

- 'Datacube' contains a raster of I x J pixels and K mass peaks
- The datacube is rearranged into 2D data matrix with dimensions  $[(I \times J) \times K]$  prior to PCA – 'unfolding'
- PCA results are folded to form • scores images prior to interpretation





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# PCA image example (1)

### Immiscible PC / PVC polymer blend 42 counts per pixel on average

### Total ion image



Only 2 factors needed – dimensionality of image reduced by a factor of 20!



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# PCA image example (1)

### PCA results after Poisson scaling and mean centering



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### Hair fibre with multi-component pretreatment







# PCA image example (2)

### Hair fibre with multi-component pretreatment



PCA factors are linear combinations of chemical components and optimally describe *variance* – PCA results can be difficult to interpret!

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### **PCA** summary

I = no. of samples K = no. of mass units N = no. of factors

X = TP' + EData matrix
Projection of samples
onto factors (scores matrix)
Projection of variables
Onto factors (loadings matrix)

- PCA describes the original data using factors, consisting of loadings and scores which efficiently accounts for variance in the data
- Eigenvalues give the variance captured by the corresponding factors
- Data preprocessing method needs to be selected with care
- PCA is excellent for discrimination and classification based on differences in spectra, and for identifying important mass peaks
- PCA factors optimally describe variance PCA results may be difficult to interpret



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# Multivariate curve resolution (MCR)

- PCA factors are directions that describes variance
  - positive and negative peaks in the loadings
  - can be difficult to interpret
- We want to resolve original chemical spectra and reverse the following process:



• Use multivariate curve resolution (MCR)



# **Multivariate curve** resolution (MCR)

l = no. of samplesK = no. of mass units N = no. of factors

Residuals (noise) **Projection of samples Projection of variables** onto factors (scores matrix) onto factors (loadings matrix)

 $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{TP'} + \mathbf{E}$ 

 $(I \times K) = (I \times N)(N \times K) + (I \times K)$ 

MCR is designed for recovery of chemical spectra and contributions from a multicomponent mixture, when little or no prior information about the composition is available

Data matrix

MCR uses an iterative least-squares algorithm to extract solutions, while applying suitable constraints e.g. non-negativity





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### Six Steps to MCR Results

- Determine number of factors N via eigenvalue plot 1.
- Obtain PCA reproduced data matrix for N factors 2.
- Obtain initial estimates of spectra (loadings) or contributions (scores) 3.
  - Random initialisation
  - PCA loadings or scores
  - Varimax rotated PCA loadings or scores
  - Pure variable detection algorithm e.g. SIMPLISMA
- **Constraints** 4.
  - Non-negativity
  - Equality
- **Convergence** criterion 5.
- Alternating least squares (ALS) optimisation 6.







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### **Outline of MCR**



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## **MCR-ALS** algorithm

• Start with PCA reproduced data matrix  $\overline{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{TP}'$ 

Pseudoinverse of rectangular matrix  $\mathbf{A}^+ = \mathbf{A}' [\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}']^{-1}$ 

- Assume initial estimate of loadings P
  - $\mathbf{T} = \overline{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{P}')^+$  (1) Find estimate of **T** using **P**, applying constraints
  - $\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{T}^+ \overline{\mathbf{X}}$  (2) Find new estimate of **P** using **T**, applying constraints
  - $\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{TP}'$  (3) Compute MCR reproduced matrix
  - $\mathbf{E} = \hat{\mathbf{X}} \overline{\mathbf{X}}$  (4) Compare results and check convergence
- Steps (1) (4) are repeated until MCR loadings P and scores T are able to reconstruct reproduced data matrix X within acceptable error specified in convergence criterion



# **Rotational ambiguity**

- MCR solutions are not unique!
- Accuracy of resolved spectra depends on the existence of pixels or samples where there is only contribution from one chemical component



- Peaks for the intense components may appear in spectra resolved for weak components
- Good initial estimates and suitable data preprocessing are essential



# MCR example (1)

- ToF-SIMS depth profiling of copper film grown on TaN coated silicon wafer
- Manual analysis is difficult, e.g. Si<sup>-</sup> can arise from SiO<sub>x</sub><sup>-</sup>, SiN<sup>-</sup> or silicon substrate
- MCR resolves 8 factors. Loadings resemble SIMS spectra of individual phases and scores resemble their contribution to the depth profile
- Improve signal to noise and correlation of related peaks

#### Scores and loadings for 3 of the MCR factors



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# MCR image example (1)

### Hair fibre with multi-component pretreatment





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# MCR image example (1)

#### Intertek Image courtesy of Dr Ian Fletcher, Intertek MSG



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# MCR image example (2)

- We take three pictures and assign each with a SIMS spectra (PBC, PC, PVT)
- The pictures are combined to form a multivariate image dataset
- Poisson noise are added to the image (avg ~50 counts per pixel)

PCA Scores 1

#### PCA Scores 2

#### PCA Scores 3







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MCR Scores 1

#### MCR Scores 2

### MCR Scores 3



### MCR resolves the original images unambiguously!





- MCR describes the original data using factors, consisting of loadings and scores which which resembles chemical spectra and contributions from a multi-component mixture, respectively
- MCR uses an iterative algorithm to extract solutions, while applying suitable constraints e.g. non-negativity
- Good initial estimates and suitable data preprocessing are essential
- MCR is excellent for identification and localisation of chemicals in complex mixtures and allows for direct interpretation



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## **Regression analysis**



2

3 Mass 5

4

### Measured properties

	XPS measurement	Molecular weight	Concentration ratio
Sample 1	5	1	3
Sample 2	2	4	7
Sample 3	1	6	4



$$y = f(\mathbf{x}) + e$$
  

$$y = b_1 x_1 + b_2 x_2 + b_3 x_3 + \dots + b_m x_m + e$$
  
'Response' variable  
i.e. measured property  
Regression  
coefficient  
'Predictor' variable  
i.e. intensity at mass m



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I = no. of samplesK = no. of mass unitsM = no. of response variables

• Extending to *I* samples and *M* response variables



Least squares solution (MLR solution)

Multiple linear regression

 $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{X}^{+}\mathbf{Y} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{B} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} \qquad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^{+} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}' \\ \text{is the pseudoinverse of } \mathbf{X} \end{pmatrix}$ 

This is the covariance matrix of X! In SIMS this is likely to be close to singular and a well defined inverse matrix cannot be found. This is due to the problem of collinearity, caused by linearly dependent rows or columns in the matrix.



(MLR)



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# Principal component regression (PCR)

I = no. of samples N = no. of PCA factors M = no. of response variables

- PCA reduces dimensionality of data and reduces effect of noise
- PCA scores matrix is the coordinates of data points in reduced factor space
- Hence we can use PCA scores matrix **T** in our linear regression







### One factor PCR example –



PCR finds correlation between **Y** and projection of data onto first PCA factor (scores **T**).

For more than one factor, PCR finds linear combinations of scores **T** on each PCA factor that are best for predicting **Y** 

Important to determine appropriate number of factors to include in PCR model

NPL 🔯 A. M. C. Davies, T. Fearn, Spectroscopy Europe 17 (2005) 28

X = SIMS data matrixY = Response variables

### The problem with PCR

- PCR uses PCA scores **T** are computed to model variations in **X** only!
- By choosing directions that maximise the variance in data **X** we hope to include important information which relates the original variables to **Y**
- First few PCA factors of **X** may contain only matrix, topographical or other effects, and may have no relation to quantities **Y** which we want to predict

#### **Introducing PLS!**

- PLS extracts scores T that are common to both X and Y, using simultaneous decomposition of X and Y
- It finds factors describing large amounts of covariance between X and Y
- It removes redundant information from the regression i.e. factors describing X that has no correlation with Y
- More viable, robust solution using fewer number of factors

I = no. of samples K = no. of mass units M = no. of response variablesN = no. of PCA factors

For decomposition of single matrix **X** in PCA, NIPALS calculate  $t_1$  and  $p_1$  alternately until convergence. The next set of factors  $t_2$  and  $p_2$  are calculated by fitting the residuals (data not explained by  $p_1$ )



For simultaneous decomposition of **X** and **Y**, PLS finds a mutual set of scores common to **X** and **Y** so  $\mathbf{t}_{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{t}_{\mathbf{y}}$ 

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X = SIMS data matrixY = Response variables

### We can now write



- W is the weights matrix and reflects covariance structure between X and Y
- T are PLS scores used to predict Y from X. Columns of T are orthogonal.
- P and Q are <u>not</u> orthogonal matrices due to constraint on finding common scores T. They are sometimes called 'x-loadings' and 'y-loadings' respectively
- In literature 'latent variable' refers to the set of quantities t, p and q associated with each PLS factor



# PLS example (1)

- SIMS spectra of thin films of Irganox were compared with their thicknesses measured with XPS
- Two PLS factors are retained, explaining 99.8% of the variance in X (SIMS data) and 98.8% of the variance in Y (thicknesses)
- PLS model able to predict thicknesses for t < 6 nm</li>
- PLS regression vector shows us the SIMS peaks most correlated with thickness



# PLS example (2)

- ToF-SIMS spectra of 576 copolymers are related to their experimental water contact angles (WCA)
- Positive and negative ion spectra are normalised separately, then concatenated (combined) into single data matrix X





**NPL** 2. J. Urquhart *et al.*, *Anal. Chem.,* 80 (1), 135 -142, 2008
### **PLS** validation

- PLS can be used to build predictive models (calibration)
- Validation is needed to guard against over-fitting
- Without enough data for validation set, cross validation can be useful



#### Data is overfitted!



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### **PLS** validation

- 'Leave one out' cross validation most popular
  - Calculate PLS model excluding sample i
  - Predict sample *i* and calculate error
  - Repeat for all different samples
  - Calculate root mean square error of cross validation (RMSECV)



RMSEC (Root Mean Square Error of Calibration) goes down with increasing number of factors

To decide optimal number of factors use minimum of RMSECV (Root Mean Square Error of Cross Validation) or PRESS (Prediction Residual Sum of Squares)

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- If dataset is large enough, split into calibration and validation sets
- Rule of thumb 2/3 calibration set, 1/3 validation set
- Validation data should be statistically independent from calibration data i.e. <u>NOT</u> repeat spectra of same sample!

Independent validation set is essential if we want to use model to predict new samples!





## **PLS** summary



- PLS is a multivariate linear regression technique
- PLS decomposes matrices X (predictors) and Y (responses) simultaneously, in order to find factors that best describe the structure of covariance between X and Y
- Data preprocessing method needs to be selected with care
- PLS is excellent for calibration and quantification, and for studying the relationship between SIMS data and other measured properties
- Properly validated PLS models can be used for predictions of these properties using SIMS data

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# PCA classification (1)

- 16 different single protein films adsorbed on mica
- Excellent classification of proteins using only 2 factors
- Factors consistent with total amino acid composition of various proteins
- 95% confidence limits provide means for identification / classification



# PCA classification (2)

- Octadecanethiol selfassembled monolayers on gold substrates, exposed to different allylamine plasma deposition times
- Four clusters of objects are observed when the scores are on different PCA factors are plotted
- Magnification of framed cluster reveals further clustering
- Outliers can also be located



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#### **PC-DFA**

- PC-DFA = "Principal Component Discriminant Function Analysis"
- 'Discriminant functions' maximizes the Fisher's ratio between groups

Fisher's ratio = 
$$\frac{(mean_1 - mean_2)^2}{var_1 + var_2}$$

• Used to distinguish strains of bacteria



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### **PLS-DA**



- Partial Least Squares Discriminant Analysis
- PLS finds factors that describes the biggest co-variance between the data X and the group assignments (e.g. 0 and 1) Y.
- Regression vector shows linear combination of peaks that maximally distinguishes epidermal and other cells





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### **Classification summary**

- PCA allows for quick grouping of samples based on their similarities
- PC-DFA and PLS-DA are supervised classification methods prior knowledge about groups are required
- Properly validated classification models are needed for predictions
- There also exists unsupervised clustering methods, e.g. hierarchal cluster analysis, K-nearest-neighbours, artificial neural networks.....



## **Data analysis**



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#### Conclusion

#### In this tutorial we have looked at

- Identification using PCA and MCR
- Quantification using MLR, PCR and PLS
- Classification using PC-DFA, PLS-DA
- Importance of validation for predictive models
- Data preprocessing techniques and their effects
- Matrix and vector algebra
- Newly defined multivariate analysis terminology

Terms Here	Symbol	Definition	PCA	MCR	PLS
Factor	0	An axis in the data space representing an underlying dimension that contributes to summarising or accounting for the original data set	Principal Component	Pure Component	Latent Vectors, Latent Variables
Loadings	Р	Correlation between the original variables and the factors	Loadings, Eigenvector	Component Spectrum	Loadings
Scores	т	Projection of the samples onto the factors	Scores, Projections	Component Concentration	Scores





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