# Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA)

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# Agenda

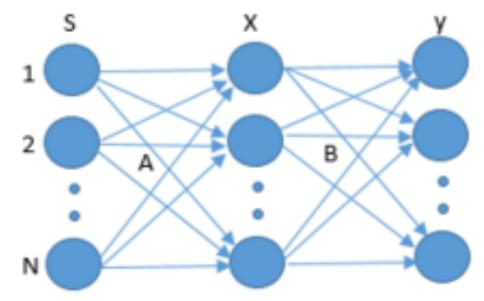
- Review
- CCA Basics
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#### • What is ICA

"Independent component analysis (ICA) is a method for finding underlying factors or components from multivariate (multidimensional) statistical data. What distinguishes ICA from other methods is that it looks for components that are both *statistically independent*, and *nonGaussian*."

#### Blind Signal Separation

 Blind signal separation (BSS), also known as blind source separation, is the separation of a set of source signals from a set of mixed signals, without the aid of information (or with very little information) about the source signals or the mixing process.



Mathematical Description

$$x_i = a_{i1}s_1 + a_{i2}s_2 + \dots + a_{im}s_m$$
, for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$   
 $X_{n \times r} = S_{n \times m}A_{m \times r}$ 

- Giving: observation "X"
- Find:

Original independent components "S"

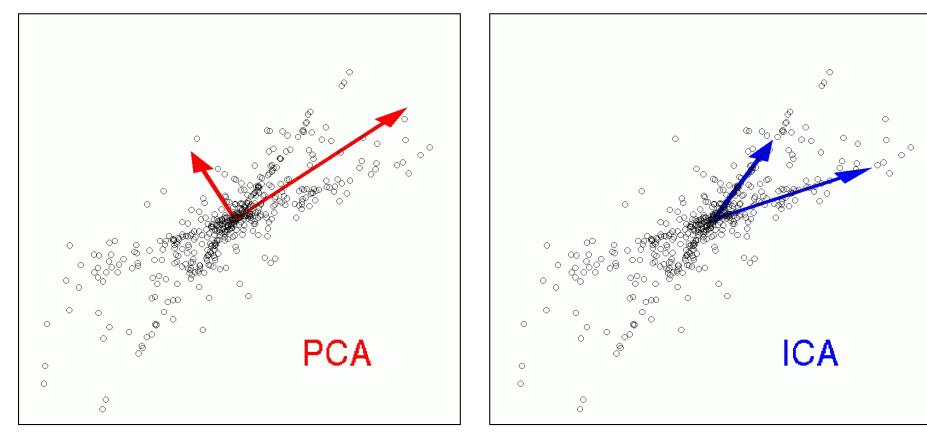
$$\boldsymbol{S}_{n\times m} = \boldsymbol{X}_{n\times r} \boldsymbol{W}_{r\times m}$$

Identifiability

- *s<sub>i</sub>* are statistically independent
- At most one of the sources  $s_i$  is Gaussian
- The number of observed mixtures, r, must be at least as large as the number of estimated components  $m: r \ge m$

#### PCA versus ICA

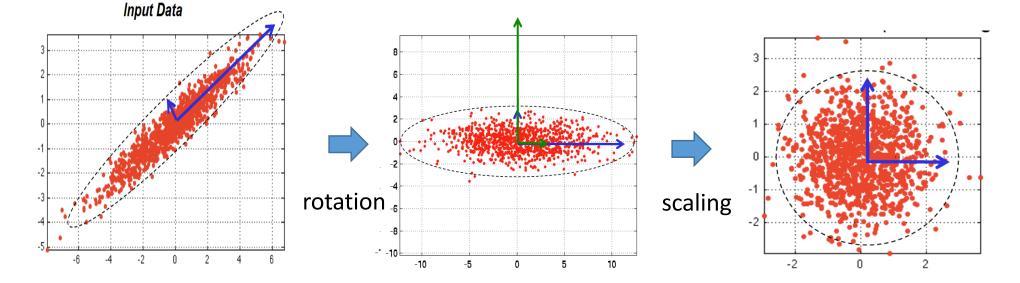
 PCA: Finds directions of maximal variance in gaussian data  ICA: Finds directions of maximal independence in nongaussian data



ICA Steps: Whitening

• Whitenning/Sphering, i.e., PCA

 $Z = XW \qquad C_Z = W^T C_X W = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_i)$   $Y = XW_N \qquad C_Y = W_N^T C_X W_N = I$ SVD:  $XV = U\Sigma \qquad XV\Sigma^{-1} = U \qquad \Sigma = \operatorname{diag}(\sigma_i)$   $XW = Z \qquad XW_N = Y \qquad \Sigma^{-1} = \operatorname{diag}(1/\sigma_i)$ 



- ICA Steps: Whitening
  - Why do we do "whitening/sphering"?

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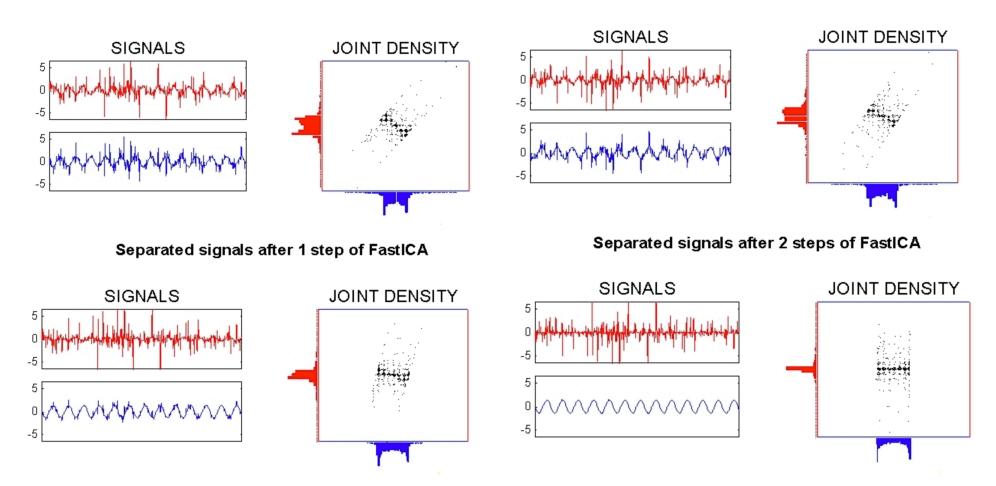
for any orthogonal rotation R

$$S = YR$$
$$C_S = R^T C_Y R = R^T C_Y R = I$$

• No matter how we rotate the whitened data, the resulting columns will be "uncorrelated"

- ICA Steps: Rotation
  - Maximize the statistical independence of the estimated components
    - Maximize non-Gaussianity
    - $\circ$  Minimize mutual information
  - Measures of non-Gaussianity and independence
    - Kurtosis:  $kurt(y) = E\{y^4\} 3(E\{y^2\})^2$
    - Entropy:  $H(y) = -\int f(y) \log f(y) dy$
    - Negentropy:  $J(y) = H(y_{gauss}) H(y)$
    - Kullback–Leibler divergence (relative entropy)

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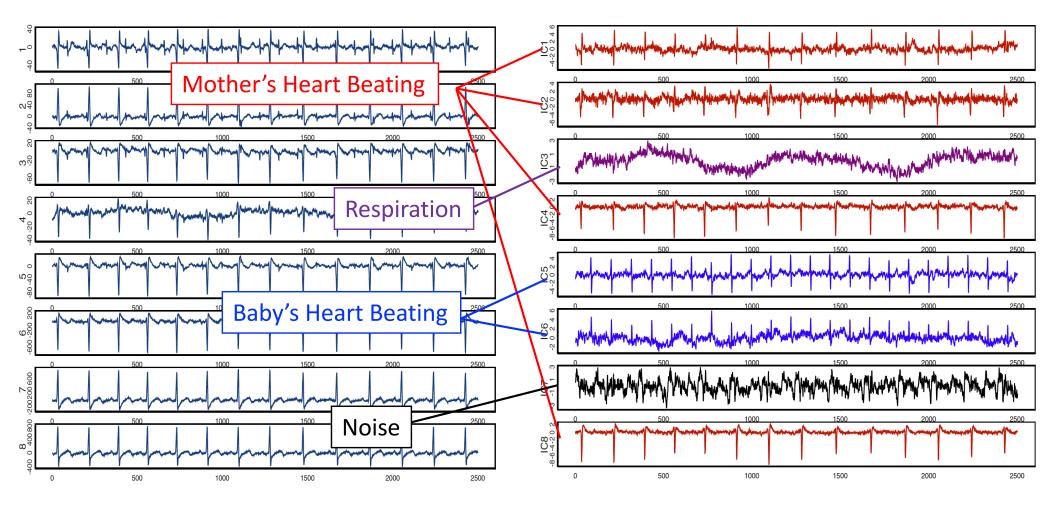


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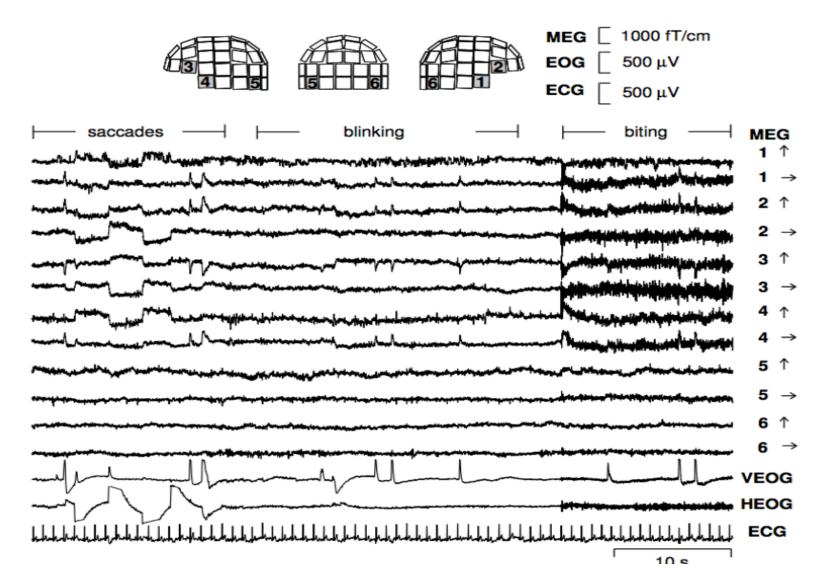
Separated signals after 3 steps of FastICA

- Examples
  - Original Signals

Independent Components



- Examples
- Clearing up MEG (Magnetoencephalography) data



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- What if we have several dependent variables and several independent variables?
  - Multivariate Regression
  - Canonical Correlation Analysis

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- U<sub>1</sub> = Xa<sub>1</sub> and V<sub>1</sub> = Yb<sub>1</sub>, i.e., linear combinations of X and Y respectively, are the first pair of canonical variates.

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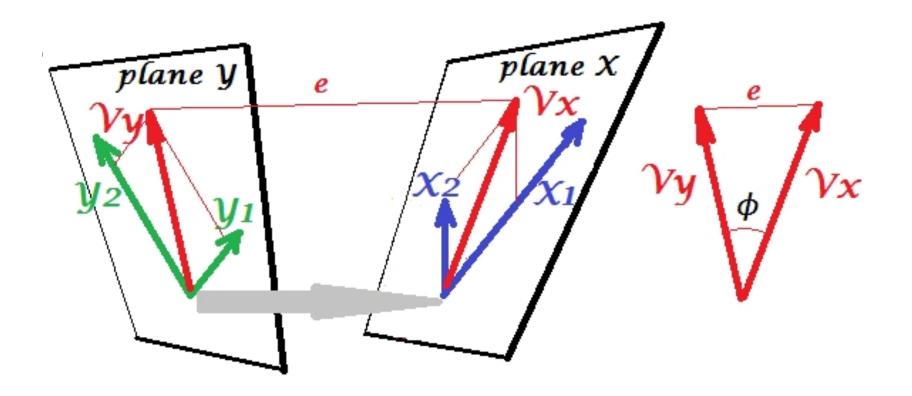
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- We will finally get two matrices A = [a<sub>1</sub>, a<sub>2</sub>, ..., a<sub>r</sub>] and B = [b<sub>1</sub>, b<sub>2</sub>, ..., b<sub>r</sub>] to transfer the X and Y to canonical variates U and V.

$$U_{n \times r} = X_{n \times p} A_{p \times r}$$

$$V_{n \times r} = Y_{n \times q} B_{q \times r}$$

#### **Geometric Interpretation**



#### PCA versus CCA

• PCA looks for patterns with a single multivariate dataset that represent maximum amounts of the variation in the data

- In CCA, the patterns are chosen such that the projected data onto these patterns exhibit maximum correlation – while being uncorrelated with the projections onto any other pattern
- In other words: CCA identifies new variables that maximize the inter-relationships between two data sets, in contrast to the patterns describing the internal variability within a single dataset from PCA.

#### Mathematical Description

• IF X and Y are both centered, we can concatenate them and calculate the covariance matrix

$$C = Cov([X Y]) = \frac{1}{n-1} [X Y]^T [X Y] = \begin{bmatrix} C_{xx} & C_{xy} \\ C_{yx} & C_{yy} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $C_{xx}$  and  $C_{xx}$  are within-set covariance matrices, and  $C_{xy} = C_{yx}^{T}$  are between-set covariance matrices

• The first canonical variates  $a_1$  and  $b_1$  maximizes

$$\rho_1 = \frac{\boldsymbol{a_1}^T \boldsymbol{C}_{xy} \boldsymbol{b_1}}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{a_1}^T \boldsymbol{C}_{xx} \boldsymbol{a_1}} \sqrt{\boldsymbol{b_1}^T \boldsymbol{C}_{yy} \boldsymbol{b_1}}}$$

#### Mathematical Description

• The subsequent pairs of canonical variates  $a_i$  and  $b_i$   $(i \ge 2)$  maximizes

$$\rho_i = \frac{\boldsymbol{a}_i^T C_{xy} \boldsymbol{b}_i}{\sqrt{\boldsymbol{a}_i^T C_{xx} \boldsymbol{a}_i} \sqrt{\boldsymbol{b}_i^T C_{yy} \boldsymbol{b}_i}}$$

subject to the constraint

$$a_i^T C_{xx} a_j = 0$$
 for all  $j < i$ 

$$\boldsymbol{b}_i^T C_{yy} \boldsymbol{b}_j = 0 \quad for \ all \ j < i$$

# Solution

• The solution for this problem

$$\begin{cases} C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}C_{yy}^{-1}C_{yx}\boldsymbol{a}_{i} = \rho_{i}^{2}\boldsymbol{a}_{i} \\ C_{yy}^{-1}C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}\boldsymbol{b}_{i} = \rho_{i}^{2}\boldsymbol{b}_{i} \end{cases}$$

- So, the  $a_i$  are eigenvectors of  $C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}C_{yy}^{-1}C_{yx}$  corresponding to eigenvalues of  $\rho_i^2$
- So, the  $b_i$  are eigenvectors of  $C_{yy}^{-1}C_{yx}C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}$  corresponding to eigenvalues of  $\rho_i^2$
- They are related to each other by

$$\begin{cases} C_{xy} \boldsymbol{b}_{i} = \rho_{i} \lambda_{x} C_{xx} \boldsymbol{a}_{i} \\ C_{yx} \boldsymbol{a}_{i} = \rho_{i} \lambda_{y} C_{yy} \boldsymbol{b}_{i} \end{cases} \quad \text{where} \quad \lambda_{x} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{y}} = \sqrt{\frac{\boldsymbol{b}_{i}^{T} C_{yy} \boldsymbol{b}_{i}}{\boldsymbol{a}_{i}^{T} C_{xx} \boldsymbol{a}_{i}}} \end{cases}$$

## Steps via Eigendecomposition

- Compute the matrix  $C_{xx}^{-1}C_{xy}C_{yy}^{-1}C_{yx}$ , and then eigendecompose it to get the square root of its eigenvalues =  $[\rho_1, \rho_2, ..., \rho_r]$  and eigenvectors  $A = [a_1, a_2, ..., a_r]$
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- The eigenvalues for both equations are equal and between zero and one. Their square root is the canonical correlation.
- The eigenvectors are weights for constructing the linear combinations of original data, i.e., canonical variates

# Hypothesis Testing

- We can also test whether the canonical correlations are significant different from zero
- The test statistic is called Wilks's Lambda

$$\Lambda_k = \prod_{i=k}^{\min(p,q)} (1 - \rho_i^2)$$

 $-\left(n-1-\frac{1}{2}(p+q+1)\right)\ln(\Lambda_k)$  is asymptotically distribute as a chi-squared with (p-k+1)(p-k+1) degree of freedom

# **CCA** Properties

- Canonical correlations are invariant.
  - scale changes (such as standardizing) will not change the correlation
  - $\circ$  Actually, they are invariant after nonsingular linear transformations on *X* and *Y*.
- The first canonical correlation is the best we can do with associations.
  - it is larger than any of the simple correlations or any multiple correlation with the variables under study

# Matlab Function

- [A, B, r, U, V, stat ] = canoncorr(x, y)
  - $\circ$  x, y : set of variables in the form of matrices
    - Each row is an observation
    - Each column is an attribute/feature

○ A, B: Matrices containing the correlation coefficient

- r : Column matrix containing the canonical correlations (Successively decreasing)
- U, V: Canonical variates/basis vectors for A,B respectively
- stat: statistics for hypothesis testing

• Suppose we have two sets of variables *X* and *Y* 

	(1)	1	3 \			( 4	4	-1.07846
	2	3	2			3	3	1.214359
	1	1	1			2	2	0.307180
	1	1	2			2	3	-0.385641
$\mathbf{X} =$	2	2	3	,	$\mathbf{Y} =$	2	1	-0.078461
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• Note: the third column of Y is a linear combination of X:  $Y(:,3) = 0.4 * X(:,1) + 0.6 * X(:,2) - \sqrt{0.48} * X(:,3)$ 

[A, B, r, U, V, stat] = canoncorr(X, Y);

A =

-0.4324	-1.4468	-0.8180
-0.6485	1.0610	0.6070
0.7489	0.2902	0.9838

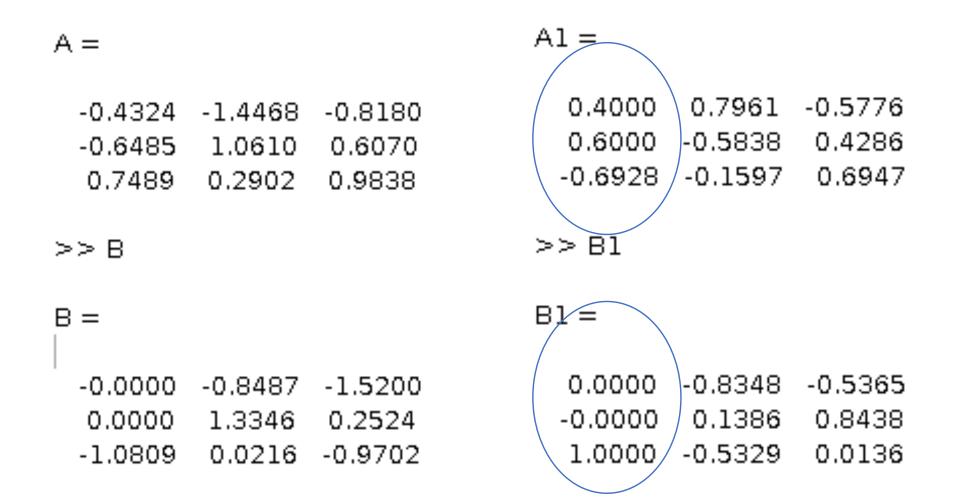
>> B

B = -0.0000 -0.8487 -1.5200 0.0000 1.3346 0.2524 -1.0809 0.0216 -0.9702

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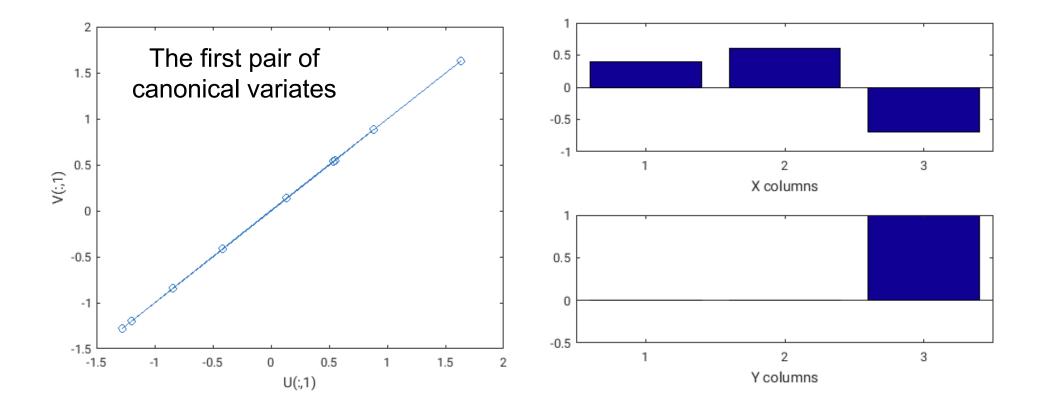
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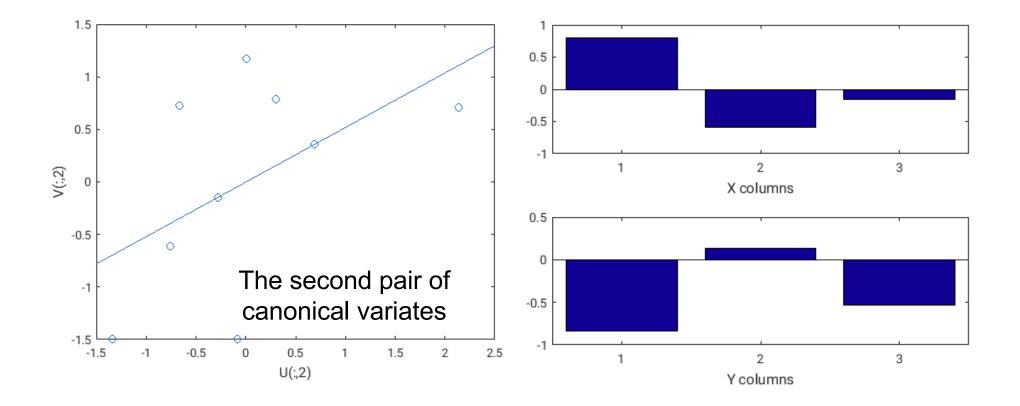
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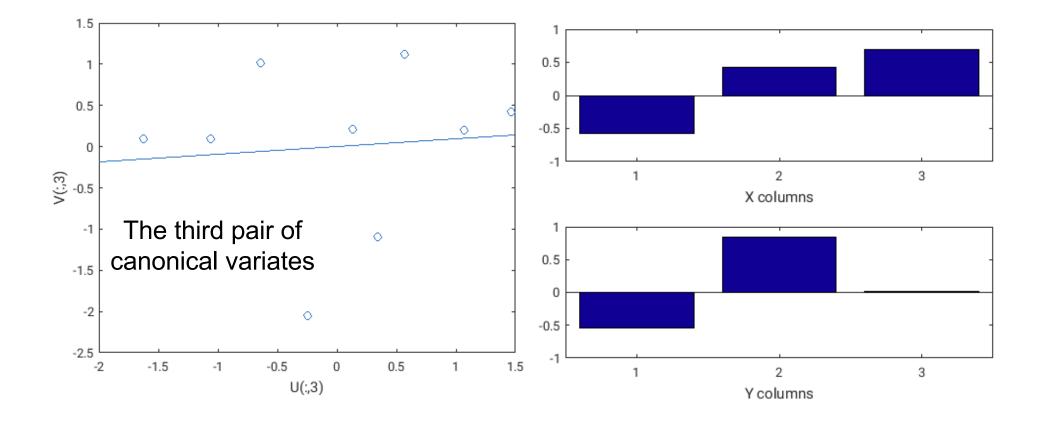
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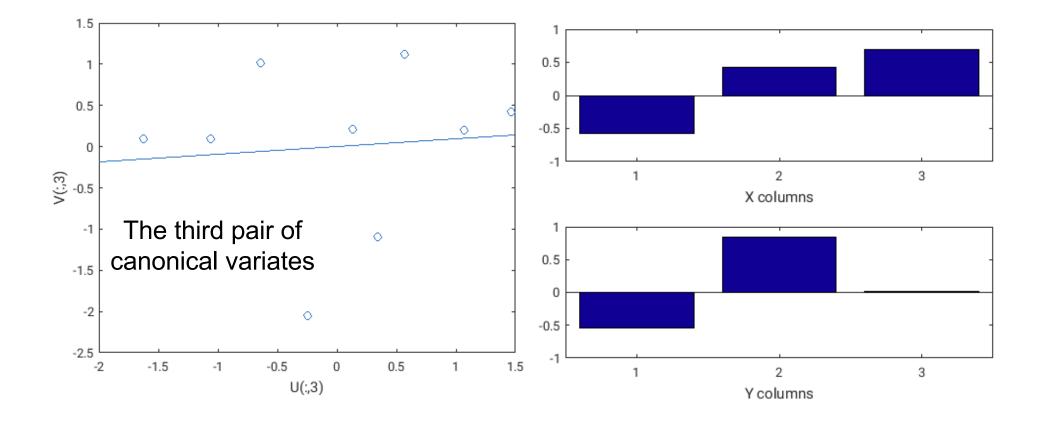
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# **About Final Project**

- You will be asked to present a paper that uses one of methods talked in the class
- 20% Grade!
- Start from April 11th
- The presentation will be 10 minutes, followed by a 2-minute question session. You're expected to prepare some PPT slides for the presentation!
- Be clear about
  - What is the major goal of the paper?
  - How did it use the method we talked about to achieve its goal?

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- Let me know before next Tuesday (3/21) if you want to find a paper by yourself that is more relevant to your area of research
- Otherwise, I will randomly assign a paper to you next Tuesday, as well as the time of your presentation.

## **CCA: Examples**

