Applications of principal component analysis to pair distribution function

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Why do we do pair distribution function analysis



How does we use PCA on pair distribution function data?

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MMM Component 2, RUO2 (J) MMMMM 10 15 r/Å 30 0 Relative Weighting JO, distortion 1 2 n Li reacted 5

What is principal component analysis





Synthesis



Properties



Properties and structure are directly connected











X-ray diffraction from bulk materials



New possibilities with 3rd generation synchrotron and high energy neutron facilities

- High energy
- High X-ray flux!
- More signal!
- Lots of data!

All classes of materials

Amorphous, nanostructured and crystalline

Liquids or solids

But it takes a long time to model the data!



Principal Component Analysis in 2 dimensions



- 2 linear regressions
- Scaling difficulties with chemical systems??
- Information in the PC's

Principal Component Analysis in 3 dimensions

3D visualization

Projected to 2D

Projected to 1D



- 3 linear regressions
- Difficult to visualize multiple dimensions
- Clustering
- Robustness with pair distribution function data

http://setosa.io/ev/principal-component-analysis/



- How many PC's describes the data?
- How much information in the PC?

Principal Components plot

$$G_{0} = \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{15} \frac{1}{20} \frac{1}{25} \frac{1}{30} \frac{1$$

- How does the PC look like?
- Are they physical?
- Does a structure relate to 1 or multiple PC's?





How does the ratio of PC's change during the reaction?

$$RuO_2 \rightarrow Li_X RuO_2 \rightarrow Ru + Li_2 O$$



Conclusion:

Principal component analysis to pair distribution function

- Modelling of PDF data by conventional techniques are timeconsuming.
- PCA on pair distribution function data is fast.
- PCA does not need any prior knowledge (bias) of the chemical structure.
- PCA can identify trends that the human eye cannot peak overlap, large amounts of data, complicated changes.
- This article shows that PCA is efficient in modelling pair distribution function data.