

Non-Negative Matrix Factorization

Overview

- What is NMF?
- Popular Applications
 - Document Clustering
- Deeper Dive into Mechanics

What is NMF?

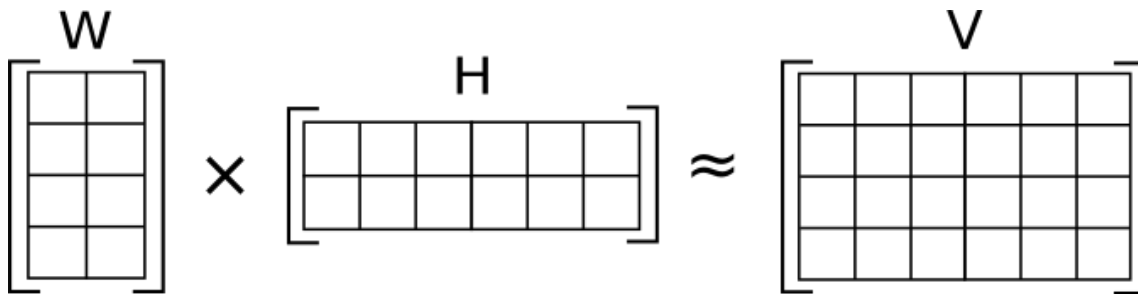
Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF)

Matrix $V_{m \times n}$ where each entry $v_{ij} \geq 0$

$$\underset{m \times r}{W} * \underset{r \times n}{H} = \underset{m \times n}{V}$$

$$\text{also } w_{ij} \geq 0 \\ h_{ij} \geq 0$$

- Cannot be solved analytically, so approximated numerically
- r set by user;
 - $r < \min(m, n)$



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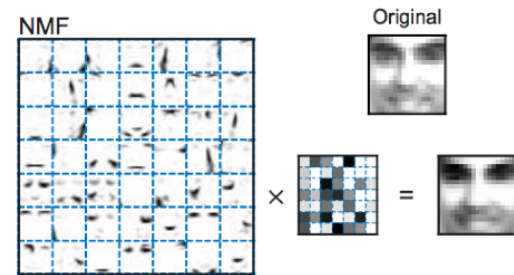
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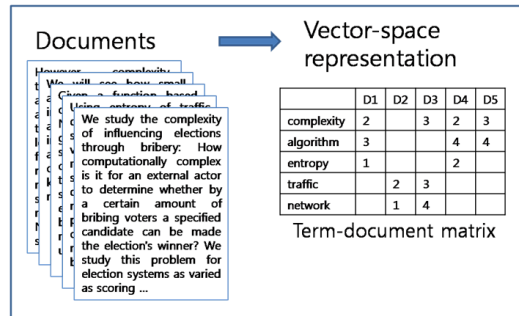
- Notice the columns of V are **sum of columns of W weighted by corresponding column in h_i** $v_i = W * h_i$
- NMF is a **relatively new way** of reducing dimensionality of data into linear combination of bases
 - Columns of W as basis, weighted by h_i
- **Non-negativity constraint**
 - Unlike the decompositions we've looked at thus far

Popular Applications

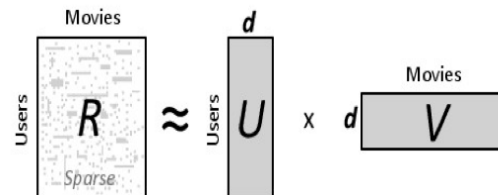
- Computer Visioning
 - Identify / classifying objects
 - Generally reducing feature space of images



- Document Clustering
 - This afternoon!

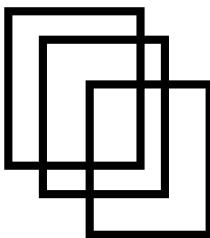


- Recommender systems
 - In just 2 days!

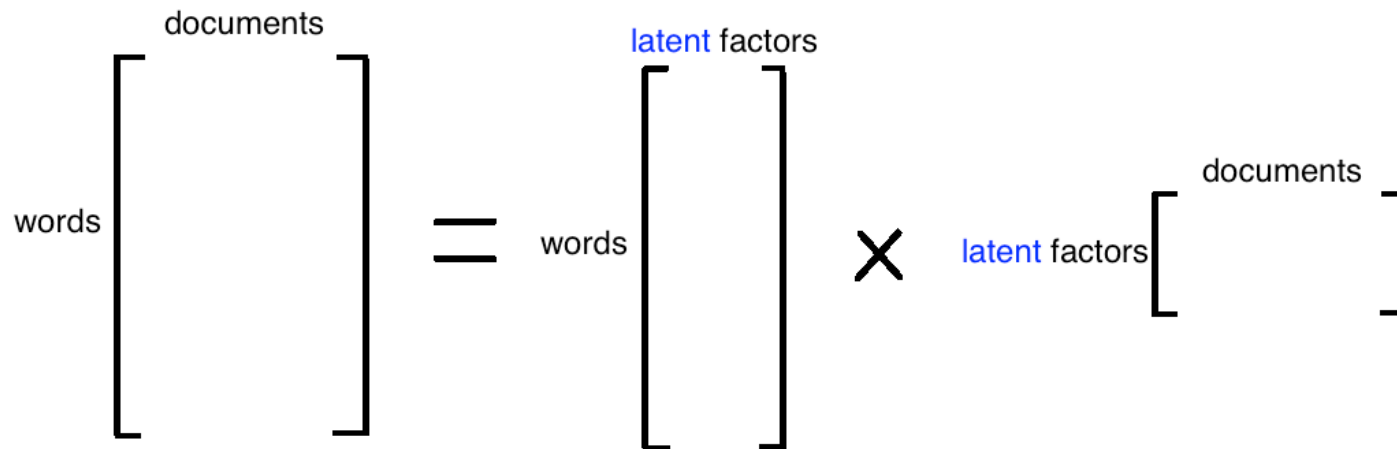


Document Clustering with NMF

500 documents
10,000 words

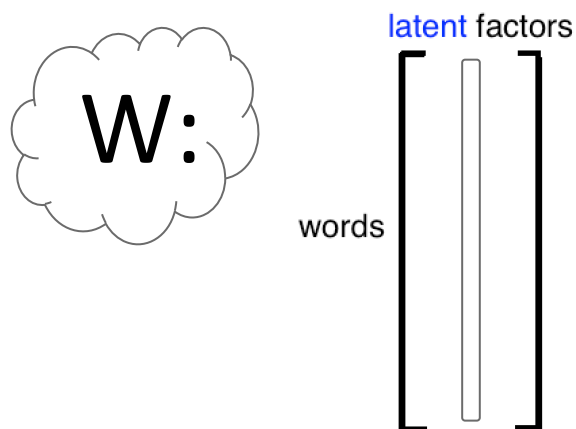


$$V = W * H$$



A diagram illustrating the matrix multiplication in NMF. On the left, a large square matrix is shown with 'words' written vertically to its left and 'documents' written horizontally above it. This matrix is followed by an equals sign. To the right of the equals sign is another large square matrix, with 'words' written vertically to its left and 'latent factors' written horizontally above it. This is followed by a multiplication symbol (X). To the right of the multiplication symbol is a third matrix, which is narrower than the first two, with 'latent factors' written vertically to its left and 'documents' written horizontally above it.

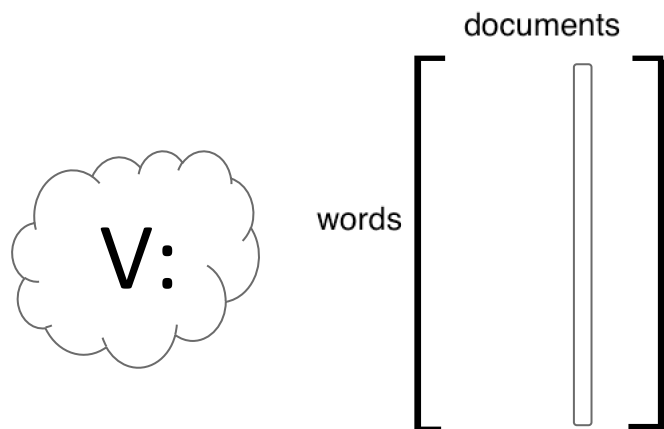
$$\begin{matrix} \text{words} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{documents} \\ \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \text{words} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{latent factors} \\ \end{matrix} \times \begin{matrix} \text{latent factors} \\ \left[\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right] \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{documents} \\ \end{matrix}$$



Think of column of W as document archetype where the higher the word's cell value, the higher the word's rank for that latent feature.



Think of column of H as the original document, where cell value is document's rank for a particular latent feature.



Recall $v_i = W * h_i$

Think of reconstituting a particular document as linear combination of "document archetypes" weighed by how important they are.

Mechanics

Minimize $||V - WH||^2$ with respect to W and H
subject to $W, H \geq 0$

Steps

- (1) Start with some random W and H
- (2) Repeatedly adjust W and H to make RMSE smaller

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \frac{(W^T V)_{a\mu}}{(W^T W H)_{a\mu}} \quad W_{ia} \leftarrow W_{ia} \frac{(V H^T)_{ia}}{(W H H^T)_{ia}}$$

- Lee and Seung's popular "multiplicative update rules" offers compromise between speed and implementation.
- Gradient descent is simple but can be slow. Also convergence sensitive to choice of step size.

- (3) Stop when some threshold is met

- Decrease in RMSE, # of iterations, etc.

Questions

- What parameter choice must you make before performing NMF?
- When doing document clustering using NMF...
 - What does a column in the W matrix represent?
 - What does a column in the H matrix represent?
 - How do we combine W and H to reconstitute a document in V (column in V)?

Appendix

PCA

Unsupervised dimensionality reduction

Orthogonal vectors with positive and negative coefficients

“Holistic”; difficult to interpret

Non-iterative

NMF

Unsupervised dimensionality reduction

Non-negative coefficients

“Parts-based”; easier to interpret

Iterative (the presented algorithm)