Sparse representation of images

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$f(x,y) = \sum_{j} \sum_{i} \lambda_{ij} b_{ij}(x,y)$

in the analysis.

Image Transform

- Image in continuous form: f(x,y): A 2-D function, where (x,y) in R².
 Let B be a set of basis functions: can be extended in the restriction.
 - $B = \{b_i(x,y) \mid i = ..., -1, 0, 1, 2, 3,\}, b_i(x,y) \text{ in } R \text{ or } C.$
- Let f(x,y) be expanded using B as follows:

$$f(x,y) = \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} b_{i}(x,y)$$
 Coefficients of transform

The **transform** of f w.r.t. B is given by $\{\lambda_i | i = \dots -1,0,1,2,3,\dots\}$.

Indexing may be multidimensional say, λ_{ij} .

Orthogonal Expansion $f(x) = \sum_{i} \lambda_i b_i(x)$ and 1-D Transforms

$$f(x) = \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} b_{i}(x)$$

- Inner product: $\langle f, g \rangle = \int f(x)g^*(x)dx$
- Orthogonal expansion: If B satisfies:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} < b_i.b_j>&=&0,& \textit{for }i\neq j, \\ \mathsf{comma} &=&c_i,& \textit{Otherwise (for }i=j), \textit{ where }c_i>0. \end{array}$$

- Transform coefficients in O.E.: $\lambda_i = \frac{1}{c_i} < f.b_i > 1$ If $c_i = 1$, it becomes orthonormal expansion. Forward transform $\lambda_i = < f.b_i > 1$
- Inverse transform: $f(x) = \int_{i-\infty}^{\infty} \lambda_i . b_i(x) di$

Fourier transform

Complete base
$$B = \{e^{-j\omega x} | -\infty < \omega < \infty\}$$

Orthogonality:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j\omega x} dx = \begin{cases} 2\pi\delta(\omega), & \text{for } \omega = 0, \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Fourier Transform:

$$\mathbb{F}(f(x)) = \hat{f}(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-j\omega x} dx$$

Inverse Transform:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{f}(j\omega) \cdot e^{j\omega x} d\omega$$

Full reconstruction

$$e^{-j\omega x} = \cos(\omega x) - j\sin(\omega x)$$

$$\hat{f}(j\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)(\cos(\omega x) - j\sin(\omega x)) dx$$

$$C = \{\cos(\omega x) | -\infty < \omega < \infty\}$$

$$S = \{\sin(\omega x) | -\infty < \omega < \infty\}$$
Orthogonal But not complete!

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Discrete representation

Discrete representation of a function:

$$f(n) = \{f(nX_0)|n\in \mathbb{Z}\}$$
 Set of integers Sampling interval

- Can be considered as a vector in an infinite dimensional vector space.
- In our context, it is of a finite dimensional space, e.g. $\{f(n), n=0,1,..N-1\}$, or
- $f = [f(0) f(1) \dots f(N-1)]^T$.

Discrete Transform

- For *n*-dimensional vector X any linear transform, e.g. $Y_{mx1} = B_{mxn} X_{nx1}$
- Has inverse transform if B is square of size (nxn) and invertible.
- Rows of B are called basis vectors.
- $Y(i) = \langle \boldsymbol{b}_i^{*T}, X \rangle$ dot product or inner product.
- Orthogonality condition:

$$< \boldsymbol{b}_{i}^{*T}. \boldsymbol{b}_{j} > = 0 \text{ if } i \neq j$$

= c_{i} , otherwise

 $B = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{b}_0^{*T} \\ \boldsymbol{b}_1^{*T} \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{h}^{*T} \end{bmatrix}$

Discrete Fourier Transform



$$b_k(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} e^{j2\pi \frac{k}{N}n}$$
, for $0 \le n \le N - 1$, and $0 \le k \le N - 1$.

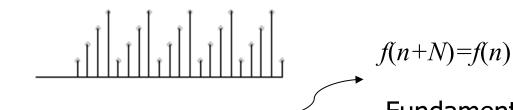
$$\hat{f}(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n)e^{-j2\pi \frac{k}{N}n} \text{ for } 0 \le k \le N-1.$$
 $\hat{f}(N+k) = \hat{f}(k)$

$$f(n)=rac{1}{N}\sum_{k=0}^{N-1}\hat{f}(k)e^{j2\pirac{k}{N}n}$$
 for $0\leq n\leq N-1$. Hermitian Transpose

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{F}\mathbf{X}$$
 $\mathbf{F} = \left[e^{-j2\pi\frac{k}{N}n}\right]_{0 \le (k,n) \le N-1}$. $\mathbf{F}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}^H$

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A single period



Fundamental

DFT: Fourier series of a periodic function frequency: $1/(NX_0)$

Generalized

Discrete Fourier

Generalized
$$\mathbf{F}_{\alpha,\beta} = \left[e^{-j2\pi\frac{k+\alpha}{N}(n+\beta)}\right]_{0 \leq (k,n) \leq N-1}$$
 Discrete Fourier
$$\mathbf{Transform} \text{ (GDFT)} \qquad \mathbf{F}_{0,0}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{0,0}^{H} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{0,0}^{*}, \\ \mathbf{F}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}^{H} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}^{*}, \\ \mathbf{F}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}^{H} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{\frac{1}{2},0}^{*}, \text{and} \\ \mathbf{F}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}^{H} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{F}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}^{*}.$$

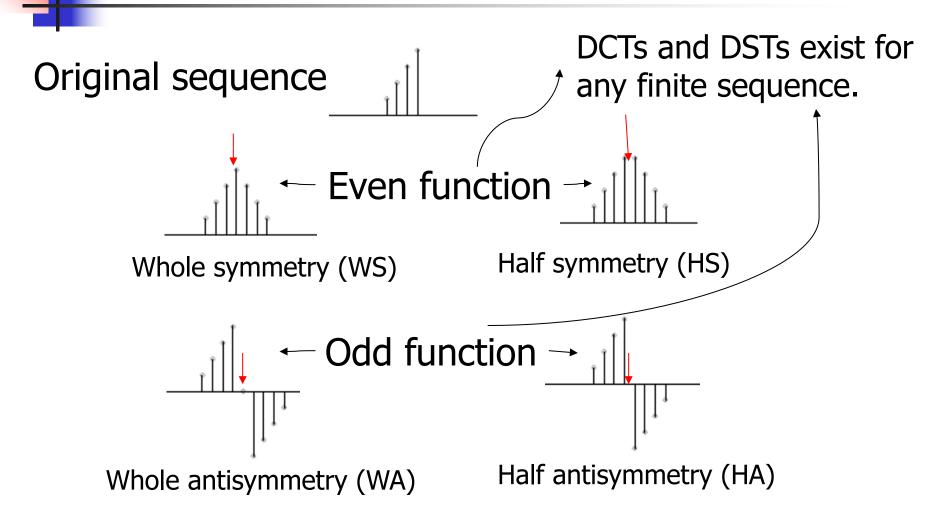
$$b_k^{(\alpha,\beta)}(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} e^{j2\pi \frac{k+\alpha}{N}(n+\beta)}$$
, for $0 \le n \le N-1$, and $0 \le k \le N-1$.

$$\hat{f}_{\alpha,\beta}(k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n)e^{-j2\pi\frac{k+\alpha}{N}(n+\beta)}, \text{ for } 0 \le k \le N-1$$

$$f(n) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_{\alpha,\beta}(k) e^{j2\pi \frac{k+\alpha}{N}(n+\beta)}, \text{ for } 0 \le n \le N-1$$

α	$\boldsymbol{\beta}$	Transform name	Notation
0	0	Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)	$\hat{f}(k)$
0	$\frac{1}{2}$	Odd Time Discrete Fourier Transform $(OTDFT)$	$\hat{f}_{0,\frac{1}{2}}(k)$
$\frac{1}{2}$	0	Odd Frequency Discrete Fourier Transform $(OFDFT)$	$\hat{f}_{\frac{1}{2},0}(k)$
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	Odd Frequency Odd Time Discrete Fourier Transform $({\cal O}^2DFT)$	$\hat{f}_{\frac{1}{2},\frac{1}{2}}^{2}(k)$

Symmetric / Antisymmetric extension of a finite sequence

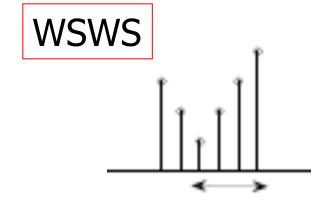


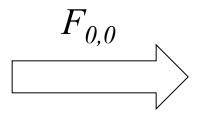


Discrete Cosine / Sine Transforms

$$\alpha(p) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{for } p = 0 \text{ or } N, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

■ Types of symmetric / antisymmetric extensions at the two ends of a sequence and a type of GDFT→ DCTs / DSTs



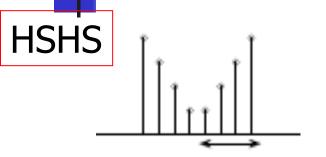


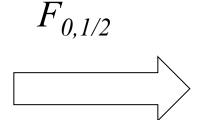
Type-I Even DCT

$$C_{1e}(x(n)) = X_{Ie}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \alpha^2(k) \sum_{n=0}^{N} x(n) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi nk}{2N}\right), \ 0 \le k \le N,$$

Discrete Cosine / Sine Transforms

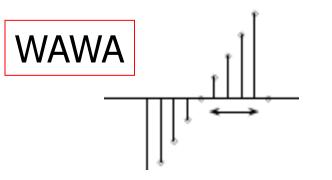
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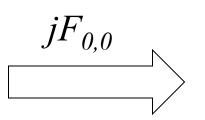




Type-2 Even DCT

$$C_{2e}(x(n)) = X_{IIe}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}}\alpha(k)\sum_{n=0}^{N-1}x(n)\cos\left(\frac{2\pi k(n+\frac{1}{2})}{2N}\right), \ 0 \le k \le N-1$$



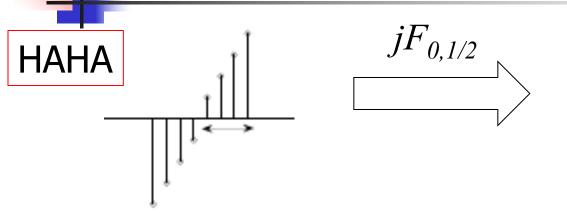


Type-1 Even DST

$$S_{1e}(x(n)) = X_{sIe}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} x(n) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kn}{2N}\right), \ 1 \le k \le N-1$$

Discrete Cosine / Sine Transforms

$$\alpha(p) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}, & \text{for } p = 0 \text{ or } N, \\ 1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



Type-2 Even DST

$$S_{2e}(x(n)) = X_{sIIe}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} \alpha(k) \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k(n+\frac{1}{2})}{2N}\right), \ 1 \le k \le N-1$$

There exist 16 different types of DCTs and DSTs. Type-II Even DCT is used in signal, image, and video compression.

$$f(x,y) = \sum_{i} \sum_{i} \lambda_{ij} b_{ij}(x,y)$$

2-D Transforms

■ Easily extendable if basis functions are separable, i.e. $B = \{b_{ij}(x,y) = g_i(x).g_j(y)\}$.

They could be from two different sets, say b(x,y)=g(x).h(y).

1-D basis function

- *B*: Orthogonal if $G=\{g_i(x), i=1,2,...\}$ is orthogonal.
- B: Orthogonal and complete if G is so.
- Reuse of 1-D transform computation.

$$\lambda_{ij} = \sum_{i} g_j^*(y) \left(\sum_{i} f(x, y) g_i^*(x) \right)$$

2D Discrete Transform

$$Y_{m\times n} = B_{m\times m} X_{m\times n} B_{n\times n}^{T}$$

- Use of separability:
 - Transform columns.
 - Transform rows.
- Input: $X_{m \times n}$ 1-D Transform Matrix: B
- Transform columns: $[Y_1]_{m \times n} = B_{m \times m} X_{m \times n}$
- Transform rows: $Y_{mxn} = [B_{nxn}Y_1^T]^T$ $= Y_1B_{nxn}^T$ $= B_{mxn}X_{mxn}B_{nxn}^T$



- Some signals cannot be represented efficiently in an orthonormal basis.
 - intermixture of impulses and sinusoids
 - Inefficient to represent by only impulses or only sinusoids
- Use of redundant set of basis functions (Dictionary)
 - A Gabor dictionary
 - complex exponentials smoothly windowed to short time intervals used for joint time—frequency analysis.
- Best linear combination of elements of redundant dictionary.



- Projection onto the best linear subspace spanned by m elements of a fixed orthonormal basis.
- Redundant set of basis functions (Dictionary)
 - A Gabor dictionary: complex exponentials smoothly windowed to short time intervals used for joint time frequency analysis.
- The problem of approximating a signal with the best linear combination of elements from a redundant dictionary is called sparse approximation or highly nonlinear approximation.

Sparse Approximation: Problem statement

- The problem of approximating a signal with the best linear combination of elements from a redundant dictionary.
 - Optimal / Near optimal representation
 - Fast computation
 - Optimal dictionary (joint optimization problem)
 - Two major approaches
 - Basis pursuit (BP)
 - Orthogonal Matching pursuit (OMP)



An iterative greedy algorithm

- selects at each step the dictionary element best correlated with the residual part of the signal.
- produces a new approximant by projecting the signal onto the dictionary elements that have already been selected.
- extends the trivial greedy algorithm that succeeds for an orthonormal system.

BP

A more sophisticated approach that replaces the original sparse approximation problem by a linear programming problem.

EXACT-SPARSE problem

- Dictionary of N elementary n-D signals called atoms.
- To identify the representation of the input signal that uses the least number of atoms, i.e., the sparsest one.
- Given an input n-D signal X, form a matrix A_{opt} whose columns are the atoms that make up the optimal representation of the signal.
- The sparsest representation: $Y=A_{opt}^{+}X$.
 - Pseudo inverse: $A_{opt}^+ = (A_{opt}^* A_{opt})^{-1} A_{opt}$
- Unique sparsest representation if $\max_{\psi \in B} ||A_{opt}^+\psi||_1 \le 1$
 - B is the complementary of A_{opt} in the dictionary.
- Both BP and OMP provides the same optimal solution.

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EXACT-SPARSE: Condition

- Unique sparsest representation if $\max_{\psi \in B} ||A_{opt}^+\psi||_1 \le 1$
 - B is the complementary of A_{opt} in the dictionary.
- Coherence parameter μ : the maximum absolute inner product between two distinct atoms.
- $\mu_1(m)$ = the maximum absolute sum of inner products between a fixed atom and other atoms.
- m-term approximation exists if
 - $(m<(\mu^{-1}+1)/2) \rightarrow (\mu_1(m)+\mu_1(m-1)<1)$
- SPARSE problem: Minimize the approximation error using L₂ norm using m terms.

SPARSE approximation: A variant

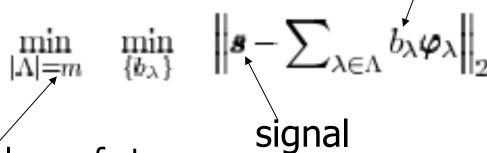
 SPARSE problem: Minimize the approximation error using L₂ norm using m terms.

Dictionary

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} : \omega \in \Omega \} .$$

Optimization task

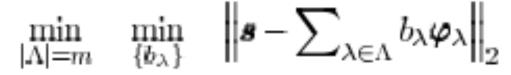
Linear combination



Fixed no. of atoms

Matching pursuit

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} : \omega \in \Omega \} .$$



 Minimize the approximation error using L₂ norm using *m* terms.

Residue (r_k) and Approximation (a_k)

Initialization
$$r_0 = s$$
 $a_0 = 0$

At *k* th step:

$$\lambda_k \in rg \max_{\omega \in \Omega} \langle \boldsymbol{r}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} \rangle$$
 $\boldsymbol{a}_k = \boldsymbol{a}_{k-1} + \langle \boldsymbol{r}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda_k} \rangle \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda_k}$
 $\boldsymbol{r}_k = \boldsymbol{r}_{k-1} - \langle \boldsymbol{r}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda_k} \rangle \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda_k}$
 $\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{r}_k = \boldsymbol{s} - \boldsymbol{a}_k$

MP may select the same atom multiple times.

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} : \omega \in \Omega \} .$$



$$\min_{|\Lambda|=m}$$

$$\min_{\{b_{\lambda}\}}$$

$$\min_{\Lambda \mid = m} \quad \min_{\{b_{\lambda}\}} \quad \left\| \boldsymbol{s} - \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} b_{\lambda} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda} \right\|_{2}$$

Minimize the approximation error using L_2 norm using *m* terms.

Initialization

$$r_0 = s$$
 $a_0 = 0$

At *k* th step:

$$\lambda_k \in \arg\max_{\omega \in \Omega} \langle \boldsymbol{r}_{k-1}, \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} \rangle$$
.

$$\boldsymbol{a}_k \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{a}} \|\boldsymbol{s} - \boldsymbol{a}\|_2$$

subject to
$$\boldsymbol{a} \in \operatorname{span}\{\boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\lambda} : \lambda \in \Lambda_k\}$$
.

$$r_k = s - a_k$$

This minimization can be performed incrementally with standard least-squares techniques.

OMP may select an atom only once, as the residual is always orthogonal to selected set.

$$\mathcal{D} = \{ \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} : \omega \in \Omega \} .$$



Convex relaxation of EXACT-SPARSE problem.

- Minimize the approximation error using L₁ norm of m coefficients.
 - A convex function, hence can be minimized in polynomial time

$$\min_{\{b_{\omega}\}} \quad \sum\nolimits_{\omega \in \Omega} |b_{\omega}| \quad \text{subject to} \quad \sum\nolimits_{\omega \in \Omega} b_{\omega} \boldsymbol{\varphi}_{\omega} = \boldsymbol{s}$$

Use linear programming.

Problem statement: sparse representation

- *n*-D signal : *y* in *Rⁿ*
- K number of atoms.
- n < K</p>

Columns

- Dictionary Matrix: D in R^{nxK} : $[\mathring{d}_j]_{j=1}^K$
- To obtain a sparse X in R^K such that
 - Y=DX, or $Y \sim DX$

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} ||\mathbf{x}||_0$$
 subject to $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}$

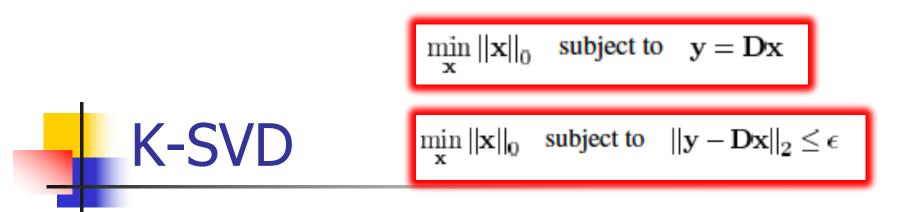
$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} ||\mathbf{x}||_0$$
 subject to $||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}||_2 \le \epsilon$

K-SVD: Forming dictionary for sparse representation

• Given a set of training signals $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$, to obtain the dictionary of K elements that leads to the best possible representations for each member in this set with strict sparsity constraints.

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} ||\mathbf{x}||_0$$
 subject to $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}$

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} ||\mathbf{x}||_0 \quad \text{subject to} \quad ||\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}||_2 \leq \epsilon$$



- Generalizes K-means clustering problem.
 - Choose a dictionary of K atoms.
 - Obtain sparse representation.
 - Update dictionary atoms.
 - 4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 till convergence.
- K-means clustering: Extreme sparse representation of a signal by a single atom only.
- K-SVD: A sparse linear combination of K atoms.

K-means clustering

- Given a set of atoms D={d_i}₁^K
 - Assign the training examples $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$ to their nearest neighbor in D.
 - Usually L₂ norm used.
 - Given the assignment update D to better fit the examples.
 - Update mean of each partition of assignment.
- Start with any initial set of distinct atoms.

K-means clustering: A code book with extreme sparse representation

- The code book: $D=\{d_i\}_1^K=[d_1\ d_2\ ...\ d_K\]_{n\times K}$
- The training examples: $[Y]_{nxN} = \{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$
- Extreme sparse vector: $e_i = [0 \ 0 \ ... \ 0]^T$
 - Only j th term is 1 of K-dim. vector.
- Sparse representation: $X=[x_1 \ x_2 \ ... \ x_N]_{KxN}$
 - where x_i is one of e_i 's.

Frobenius norm

- Optimization problem: Minimize $||Y DX||^2_{F}$
 - $x_i = e_r$ if $||y_i d_r|| = 1$ is minimum among all atoms.
- Update atoms: d_i = Mean ($\{y_i \mid x_i = e_i\}$), for all j.

KSVD: Generalization of K-means clustering

- The code book: $D=\{d_i\}_1^K=[d_1\ d_2\ ...\ d_K\]_{n\times K}$
- The training examples: $[Y]_{n \times N} = \{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$
- Sparse representation: $X=[x_1 \ x_2 \ ... \ x_N]_{KxN}$
 - where x_i provides linear combination of maximum T_0 nonzero terms.
- Optimization problem:
 - Minimize $||Y DX||_F^2$ subject to $||x_i||_0 \le T_{0}$, for all *i*.

Rewriting optimization function

 x^{j}_{T} : j th row of X.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Consider effect of minimizing} \\ & \text{w.r.t. } k \text{ th row of } X \\ & \text{associated with code vector} \\ & d_k \text{ keeping other terms fixed.} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \left\| \left(\mathbf{Y} - \sum_{j \neq k} \mathbf{d}_j \mathbf{x}_T^j \right) - \mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{x}_T^k \right\|_F^2$$

$$= \left\| \mathbf{E}_k - \mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{x}_T^k \right\|_F^2.$$
But the column vector may not be sparse.

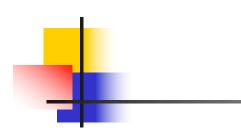
Perform SVD: $E_k = UDV^T$ and take columns of U and V for max singular values.



Enforcing sparsity

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}\|_F^2 &= \left\| \mathbf{Y} - \sum_{j=1}^K \mathbf{d}_j \mathbf{x}_T^j \right\|_F^2 \\ &= \left\| \left(\mathbf{Y} - \sum_{j \neq k} \mathbf{d}_j \mathbf{x}_T^j \right) - \mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{x}_T^k \right\|_F^2 \\ &= \left\| \mathbf{E}_k - \mathbf{d}_k \mathbf{x}_T^k \right\|_F^2. \end{aligned}$$

- x^{j}_{T} : j th row of X.
- Choose only samples from Y which have a nonzero component along d_k.
- Form reduced E_k (denoted E_{kR}) and x_T^k by x_R^k .
- Perform SVD of E_{kR} to get d_k and x_R^k .
- Update d_k and x^k_T .
- Repeat for all d_j's and obtain updated D and X.
- Repeat till convergence



The Algorithm

Task: Find the best dictionary to represent the data samples $\{y_i\}_{i=1}^N$ as sparse compositions, by solving

$$\min_{\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{X}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{X}\|_F^2 \right\} \quad \text{subject to} \quad \forall i, \ \|\mathbf{x}_i\|_0 \le T_0.$$

Initialization : Set the dictionary matrix $\mathbf{D}^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times K}$ with ℓ^2 normalized columns. Set J = 1.

Repeat until convergence (stopping rule):

 Sparse Coding Stage: Use any pursuit algorithm to compute the representation vectors x_i for each example y_i, by approximating the solution of

$$i = 1, 2, ..., N, \min_{\mathbf{x}_i} \{ \|\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}_i\|_2^2 \}$$
 subject to $\|\mathbf{x}_i\|_0 \le T_0$.

- Codebook Update Stage: For each column k = 1, 2, ..., K in D^(J-1), update it by
 - Define the group of examples that use this atom, ω_k = {i | 1 ≤ i ≤ N, x^k_T(i) ≠ 0}.
 - Compute the overall representation error matrix, E_k, by

$$\mathbf{E}_k = \mathbf{Y} - \sum_{j \neq k} \mathbf{d}_j \mathbf{x}_T^j$$
.

- Restrict E_k by choosing only the columns corresponding to ω_k, and obtain E^R_k.
- Set J = J + 1.

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