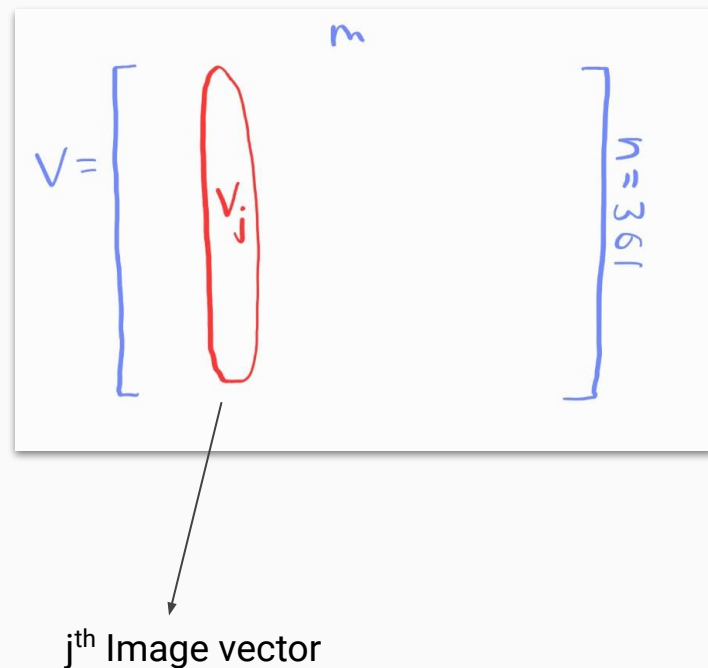


# Understanding some Applications

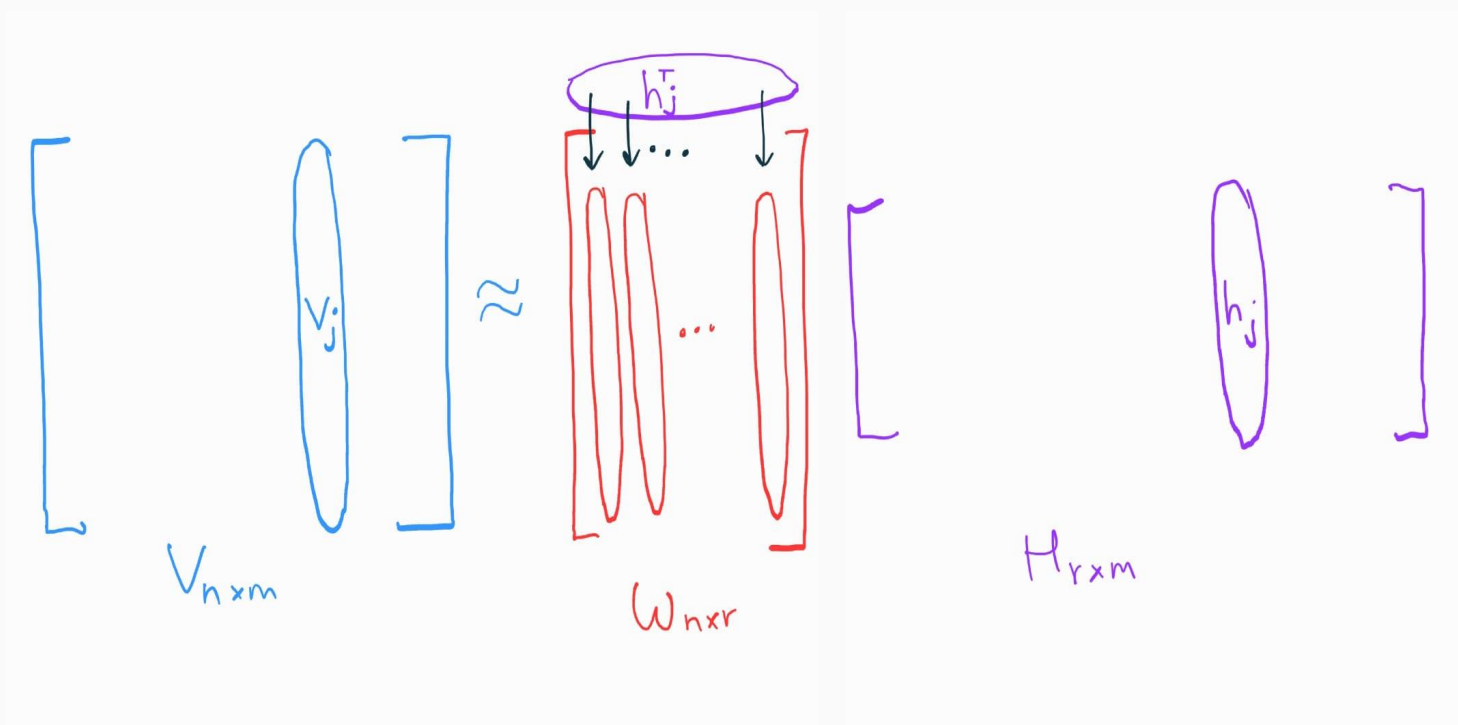
## 1. NMF applied to face data

- **Dataset:**  $m$  grayscale images of dimensions  $19 \times 19$
- **Construction of  $V$ :**  $V$  is a  $[361 \times m]$  matrix. *i.e.* flatten out all the images and place them s.t. each column of  $V$  is an image vector.
- We want to decompose  $V_{n \times m}$  into factors  $W_{n \times r}$  and  $H_{r \times m}$
- $(n + m) * r < n * m$
- Options like NMF, PCA and VQ



# Understanding some Applications

- All the 3 techniques try to approximate the matrix  $V$  by  $WH$ , but there are some key differences



# Understanding the problem

## NMF

- All the elements of  $W$  and  $H$  must be  $\geq 0$
- Tries to approx. each  $v_j$  by a non-negative linear combination of columns of  $w$
- Gives a **part-based** representation of each face image
- $W$  and  $H$  are sparse

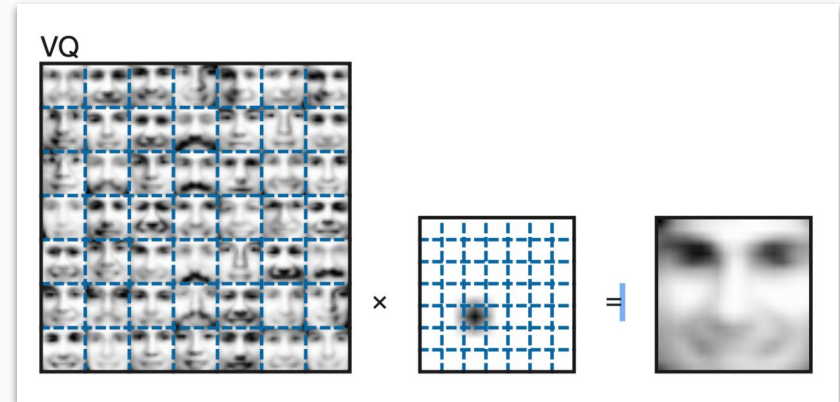
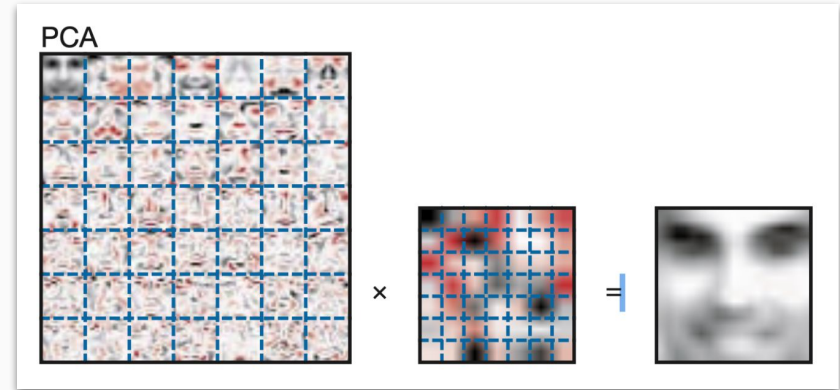
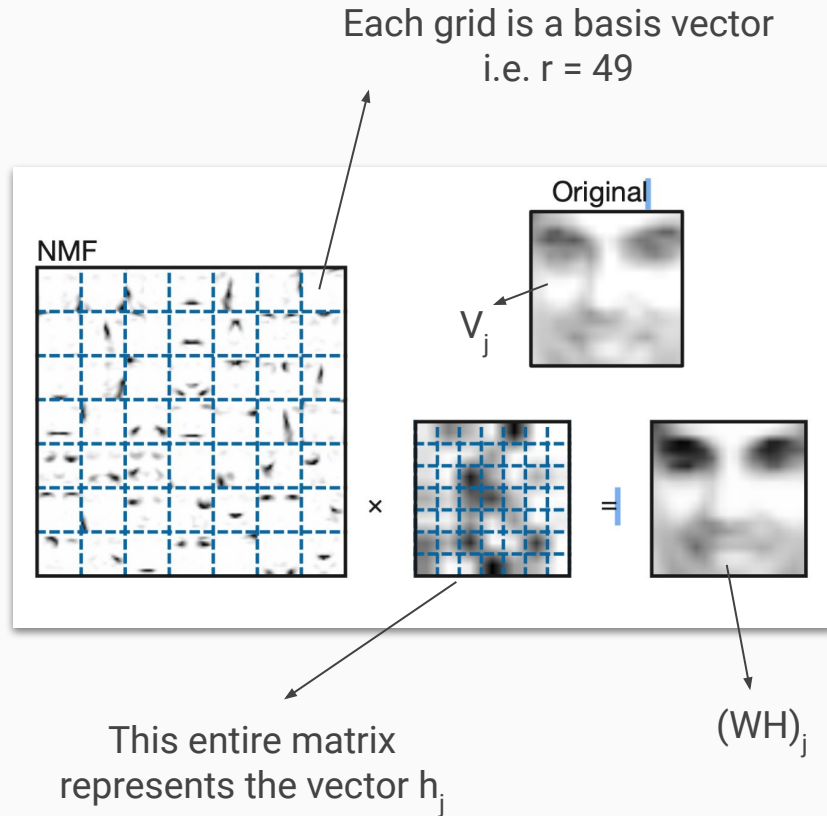
## Principle Component Analysis

- **No constraints** of non-negativity on  $W$  or  $H$
- But  $W$  must be orthonormal and rows of  $H$  orthogonal
- Tries to approx. each  $v_j$  by a linear combination of columns of  $w$
- Gives a **holistic** representation of the face images
- Basis vectors containing -ve elements are non-intuitive
- So are the subtractive combinations of the basis vectors

## Vector Quantization

- Constraint: Each column of  $H$  must be **unary vector**
- Ex:  $[0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$
- Tries to approx. each  $v_j$  by one of the columns of  $W$
- Clusters all the vectors  $v_j$  into  $r$  clusters given by  $w_j$ 's
- Each basis vector is an entire face

# Understanding some Applications



## letters to nature

larvae collected randomly in the field ( $2^{\circ}48.12'N$ ,  $41^{\circ}40.33'E$ ) by SCUBA. Between 5 and 10 juveniles were recruited successfully in each of 15, 1 l polystyrene containers ( $n = 15$ ), the bottom of which was covered with an acetate sheet that served as substratum for sponge attachment. Containers were then randomly distributed in 3 groups, and sponges in each group were reared for 14 weeks in 3 different concentrations of  $Si(OH)_4$ :  $0.741 \pm 0.133$ ,  $30.235 \pm 0.287$  and  $100.041 \pm 0.760 \mu M$  (mean  $\pm$  s.e.). All cultures were prepared using  $0.22 \mu m$  polycarbonate-filtered seawater, which was collected from the sponge habitat, handled according to standard methods to prevent Si contamination<sup>29</sup> and enriched in dissolved silica, when treatments required, by using  $Na_2SiF_6$ . During the experiment, all sponges were fed by weekly addition of 2 ml of a bacterial culture ( $40\text{--}60 \times 10^6$  bacteria  $ml^{-1}$ ) to each container<sup>30</sup>. The seawater was replaced weekly, with regeneration of initial food and  $Si(OH)_4$  levels. The concentration of  $Si(OH)_4$  in cultures was determined on 3 replicates of 1 ml seawater samples per container by using a Bran-Luebbe TRAACS 2000 nutrient autoanalyser. After week 5, the accidental contamination of some culture containers by diatoms rendered subsequent estimates of Si uptake by sponges unreliable, so we discarded them for the study.

For the study of the skeleton, sponges were treated according to standard methods<sup>30</sup> and examined in a Hitachi S-2300 scanning electron microscope (SEM).

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## Learning the parts of objects by non-negative matrix factorization

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Is perception of the whole based on perception of its parts? There is psychological<sup>1</sup> and physiological<sup>2,3</sup> evidence for parts-based representations in the brain, and certain computational theories of object recognition rely on such representations<sup>4,5</sup>. But little is known about how brains or computers might learn the parts of objects. Here we demonstrate an algorithm for non-negative matrix factorization that is able to learn parts of faces and semantic features of text. This is in contrast to other methods, such as principal components analysis and vector quantization, that learn holistic, not parts-based, representations. Non-negative matrix factorization is distinguished from the other methods by its use of non-negativity constraints. These constraints lead to a parts-based representation because they allow only additive, not subtractive, combinations. When non-negative matrix factorization is implemented as a neural network, parts-based representations emerge by virtue of two properties: the firing rates of neurons are never negative and synaptic strengths do not change sign.

The  
foundational  
paper in  
NMF

<http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~blei/fogm/2020F/readings/LeeSeung1999.pdf>

# Overview of the paper

The algorithms proposed for NMF are broadly from **two schools of thought**.  
Lee and Seung gave a probability based approach.

**Problem** : We want to find  $H, W$  such that  $V \approx WH$

## Objective Function

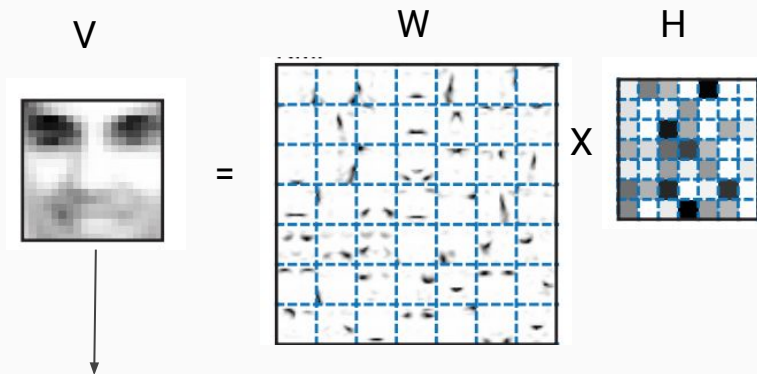
$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

## Update Step

$$W_{ia} \leftarrow W_{ia} \sum_{\mu} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} H_{a\mu}$$
$$W_{ia} \leftarrow \frac{W_{ia}}{\sum_j W_{ja}}$$

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \sum_i W_{ia} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}}$$

For images and learning a part based representation we have :



Each pixel is taken to come from some poisson noise added to  $WH$ .

The distance measure used for comparing  $V$  and  $WH$  is :

## Generalized Kullback-Leibler Divergence

$$D(A||B) = \sum_{ij} \left( A_{ij} \log \frac{A_{ij}}{B_{ij}} - A_{ij} + B_{ij} \right)$$

When  $\sum_{ij} A_{ij} = \sum_{ij} B_{ij} = 1$

It reduces to the KL Divergence we know for probability distributions

We want to decrease this measure to get as close to  $V$  :

$$D(A||B) = \sum_{ij} \left( A_{ij} \log \frac{A_{ij}}{B_{ij}} - A_{ij} + B_{ij} \right)$$

For  $V$  and  $WH$  the formulation is :

$$D(V || WH) = \sum_{ij} \left( V_{ij} \log \frac{V_{ij}}{(WH)_{ij}} - V_{ij} + (WH)_{ij} \right)$$

$$D(V || WH) = \sum_{ij} \left( \underbrace{V_{ij} \log V_{ij}}_{\text{function of } V} - V_{ij} \log (WH)_{ij} - V_{ij} + (WH)_{ij} \right)$$



So we can ignore the  $v$  related terms

$$\min \left( \sum -v_{ij} \log(WH)_{ij} + (WH)_{ij} \right)$$

$$\max \left( \sum \overset{ss}{v_{ij} \log(WH)_{ij}} - (WH)_{ij} \right)$$

### Final Objective

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

Max

**Problem** : We want to find  $H, W$  such that  $V \approx WH$  and  $W, H \geq 0$

We want to maximise the objective  
So we use the **GRADIENT DESCENT** method

But we have some problems :

1. We have to **maximise with respect to both  $W$  and  $H$**   
both of which are unknown
2. We want to ensure the most important part of NMF  
 **$H \geq 0$**   
 **$W \geq 0$**

**Final Objective**

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

**Constraint**

$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

The Objective is non convex in both  $(W, H)$   
But in each it is convex

For 1] We solve iteratively with respect to  $H$  using gradient descent and then solve using the  $H$  for  $W$

**Final Objective**

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

**Constraint**

$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} + \eta_{a\mu} \left[ \sum_i W_{ia} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} - \sum_i W_{ia} \right]$$

**This term can become negative :(**

For 2]

We **use a specific step size** to remove any kind of subtractive term and maintain the non-negative constraint

$$\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ia}},$$

## Final Objective

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

## Constraint

$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

## The GD derived term

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} + \eta_{a\mu} \left[ \sum_i W_{ia} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} - \sum_i W_{ia} \right]$$

# Motivating the Algorithm

**Problem** : We want to find  $H, W$  such that  $V \approx WH$  and  $W, H \geq 0$

$$H_{a\mu} = H_{a\mu} + \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ai}} \left( \left( \sum_i W_{ai} V_{i\mu} \right) - \sum_i W_{ai} \right)$$

$$H_{a\mu} = \cancel{H_{a\mu}} - \cancel{H_{a\mu}} + \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ai}} \cdot X$$

(churray!)

$$H_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu} \left( \sum_i W_{ai} V_{i\mu} \right)}{\sum_i W_{ai}}$$

$$H_{a\mu} = H_{a\mu} \cdot \frac{1}{\sum_i W_{ai}} \left( \sum_i \frac{W_{ai} \cdot V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} \right)$$

↪ update rule

**And we do the same thing for  $W$**

**Final Objective**

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

**Constraint**

$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

**Step size in GD**

$$\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ia}},$$

**The GD derived term**

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} + \eta_{a\mu} \left[ \sum_i W_{ia} \frac{V_{i\mu}}{(WH)_{i\mu}} - \sum_i W_{ia} \right]$$

## Update Rules

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \frac{\sum_i W_{ia} V_{i\mu} / (WH)_{i\mu}}{\sum_k W_{ka}}$$

$$W_{ia} \leftarrow W_{ia} \frac{\sum_\mu H_{a\mu} V_{i\mu} / (WH)_{i\mu}}{\sum_\nu H_{a\nu}}$$

## Final Objective

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

## Constraint

$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

## Step size in GD

$$\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ia}},$$

## Algorithm

**H, W random initialise**  
**while not converged :**

**Update H**  
**Update W**

**end while**

### Update Rules

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$$H \geq 0 \quad W \geq 0$$

### Step size in GD

$$\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{\sum_i W_{ia}},$$

# Convergence of the Algorithm

Convergence Proof :

**Definition 1**  $G(h, h')$  is an auxiliary function for  $F(h)$  if the conditions

$$G(h, h') \geq F(h), \quad G(h, h) = F(h)$$

are satisfied.

**Lemma 1** If  $G$  is an auxiliary function, then  $F$  is nonincreasing under the update

$$h^{t+1} = \arg \min_h G(h, h^t)$$

**Lemma 2** : Here we actually have a  $G$  which is proved to be an auxiliary function for  $F$  where  $F$  is KLD from which we obtained our objective



# Convergence of the Algorithm

What we want to show to say  
the algorithm converges?

Our update step  $\rightarrow$  Makes update  
such that with each update  
$$H \leftarrow \text{update}(H)$$
$$W \leftarrow \text{update}(W)$$

KLD is  
nonincreasing

if we have a  $G$   
s.t.  $\begin{cases} G(h, h^t) \geq F(h) & \text{KLD term} \\ \text{and} \\ G(h, h) = F(h) \end{cases}$

then  
using a  
$$h^{t+1} = \underset{h}{\operatorname{argmin}} G(h, h^t)$$
  
 $\downarrow$   
It is a theorem  
that  $F(h)$  will non increasing  
when  $h^{t+1}$  is the update

We mentioned in the start that there are 2 schools of thought we present it below :

## Objective Function

### KLD

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{\mu=1}^m [V_{i\mu} \log(WH)_{i\mu} - (WH)_{i\mu}]$$

### Frobenius Norm

$$\min_{W \geq 0, H \geq 0} f(W, H) = \|A - WH\|_F^2.$$

The Objective is different!!

- Probabilistic way of looking at the NMF
- Pure linear algebra way of going about the NMF

# Algorithm

## KLD

**Theorem 2** The divergence  $D(V||WH)$  is nonincreasing under the update rules

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \frac{\sum_i W_{ia} V_{i\mu} / (WH)_{i\mu}}{\sum_k W_{ka}} \quad W_{ia} \leftarrow W_{ia} \frac{\sum_\mu H_{a\mu} V_{i\mu} / (WH)_{i\mu}}{\sum_\nu H_{a\nu}} \quad (5)$$

The divergence is invariant under these updates if and only if  $W$  and  $H$  are at a stationary point of the divergence.

## Frobenius

**Algorithm 1** The BCD framework for solving NMF:  $\min_{W, H \geq 0} \|A - WH\|_F^2$

- 1: Input: Matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , tolerance parameter  $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ , upper limit of the number of iterations  $T$
- 2: Initialize  $H$
- 3: **repeat**
- 4:   Obtain the optimal solution of subproblem (8a)
- 5:   Obtain the optimal solution of subproblem (8b)
- 6: **until** A particular stopping criterion based on  $W, H, \varepsilon$  is satisfied *or* the number of iterations reaches upper limit  $T$
- 7: Output:  $W, H$

$$W \leftarrow \arg \min_{W \geq 0} f(W, H), \quad (7a)$$

$$H \leftarrow \arg \min_{H \geq 0} f(W, H). \quad (7b)$$

These subproblems can be written as

$$\min_{W \geq 0} \|H^T W^T - A^T\|_F^2, \quad (8a)$$

$$\min_{H \geq 0} \|WH - A\|_F^2. \quad (8b)$$

### Discussion on some more point

#### KLD

Monotonic convergence can be proven using techniques similar to those used in proving the convergence of the EM algorithm

We do not have the overhead of finding the step-size as we have to do it for the Frobenius algo.

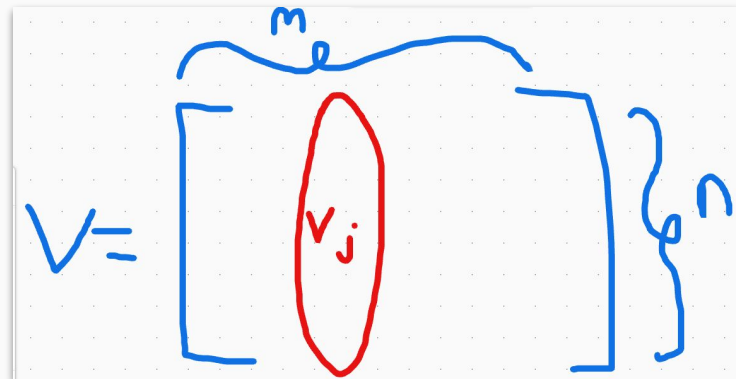
#### Frobenius

Algorithms for solving NMF with KL-divergence are typically much slower than those for solving NMF based on the Frobenius norm

# Understanding some Applications

## NMF applied to Text data (Training)

- **Dataset:**  $m$  documents with a fixed vocabulary of size  $n$ .
- **Construction of  $V$ :**  $V$  is a  $[n \times m]$  matrix. *i.e.* column  $v_j$  is a representation of the  $j^{\text{th}}$  document.
- Preprocessing changes  $V$ .
- We decompose  $V$  into factors  $W$  and  $H$  using NMF algorithm



## NEED to reduce the vocabulary size

- Tokenization
- Lower Casing
- Stemming
- Removing non-essentials.
  - Punctuations
  - Numbers
  - Stop words
  - Single Character

### Before

‘In the new system “Canton becomes Guangzhou and Tientsin becomes Tianjin.” Most importantly, the newspaper would now refer to the country’s capital as Beijing, not Peking. This was a step too far for some American publications. In an article on Pinyin around this time, the Chicago Tribune said that while it would be adopting the system for most Chinese words, some names had “become so ingrained’

### After

‘new canton becom guangzhou tientsin becom tianjin import newspap refer countri capit beij peke step far american public articl pinyin time chicago tribun adopt chines word becom ingrain’

## Constructing V.

- Converting Text into numbers.
  - Bag of words
  - Tf-idf
  - Word vectors
- Feature Selection
  - Remove words with extreme documents count.
  - Choose the best feature set

# Understanding some Applications

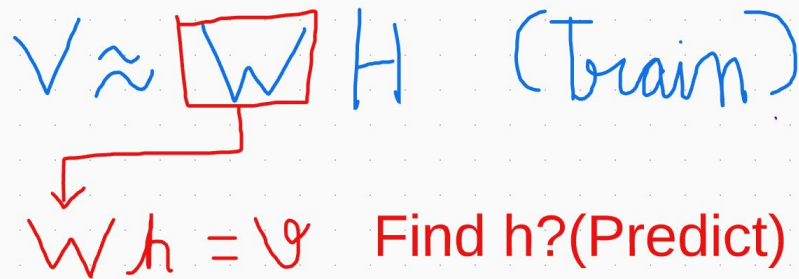
$$\begin{bmatrix} v_j \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m} \approx \begin{bmatrix} w_k \end{bmatrix}_{n \times r} \begin{bmatrix} h_{kj} \end{bmatrix}_{r \times m}$$



# Understanding some Applications

## NMF applied to Text data (Prediction)

- We have the  $W$  Matrix.
- **Construction of  $v$ :** Use the same preprocessing to construct a column vector  $v$  from the document.
- Solve for  $h$ !!

$$V \approx WH \quad (\text{Train})$$

$$Wh = v \quad \text{Find } h? (\text{Predict})$$

Voila You Have your Prediction !!!!

# Comparison with LDA and SVD

What is LDA ?

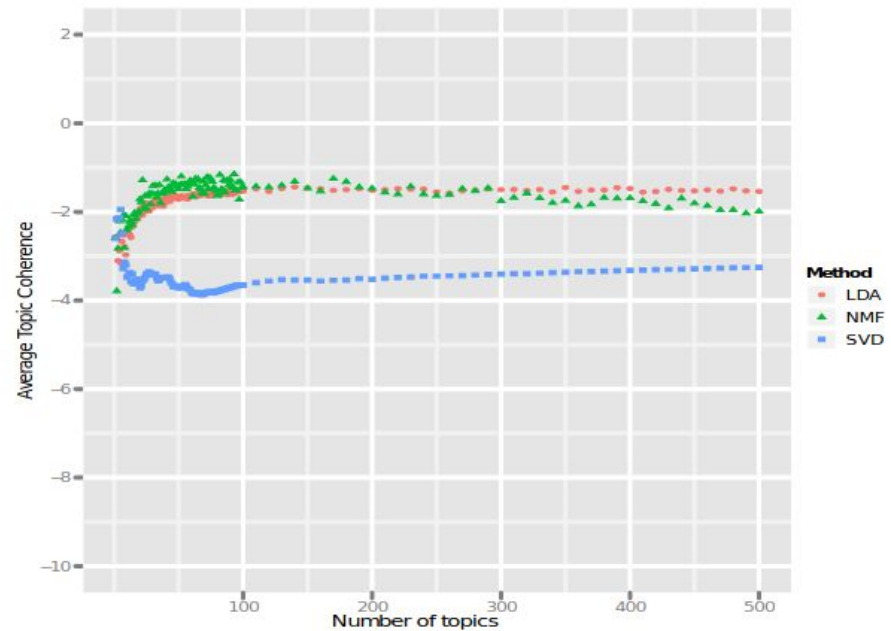
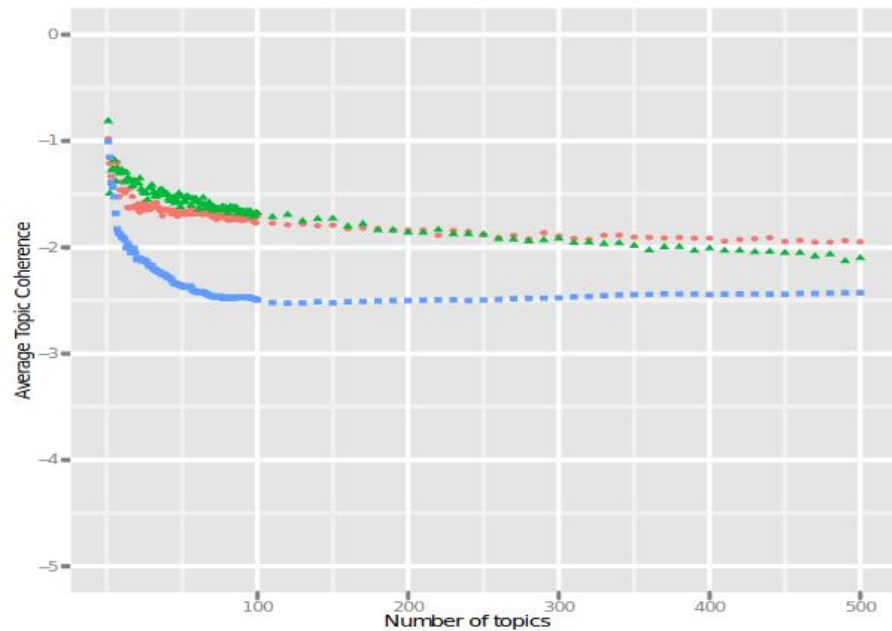
1. Choose  $\Theta_i \sim \text{Dir}(\alpha)$ , a topic distribution for  $D_i$
2. For each word  $w_j \in D_i$ :
  - (a) Select a topic  $z_j \sim \Theta_i$
  - (b) Select the word  $w_j \sim \Phi_{z_j}$

What is SVD

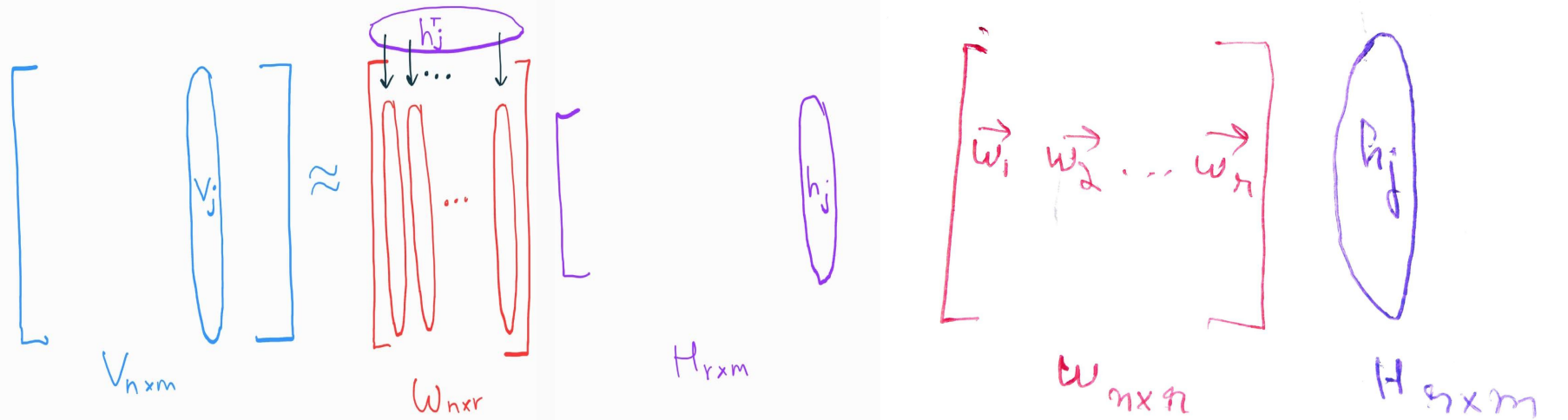
$$M = U\Sigma V^T$$

Model	Label	Top Words	UMass	UCI
<b>High Quality Topics</b>				
LDA	interview	told asked wanted interview people made thought time called knew	-2.52	1.29
	wine	wine wines bottle grapes made winery cabernet grape pinot red	-1.97	1.30
NMF	grilling	grilled sweet spicy fried pork dish shrimp menu dishes sauce	-1.01	1.98
	cloning	embryonic cloned embryo human research stem embryos cell cloning cells	-1.84	1.46
SVD	cooking	sauce food restaurant water oil salt chicken pepper wine cup	-1.87	-1.21
	stocks	fund funds investors weapons stocks mutual stock movie film show	-2.30	-1.88

# Coherence Scores



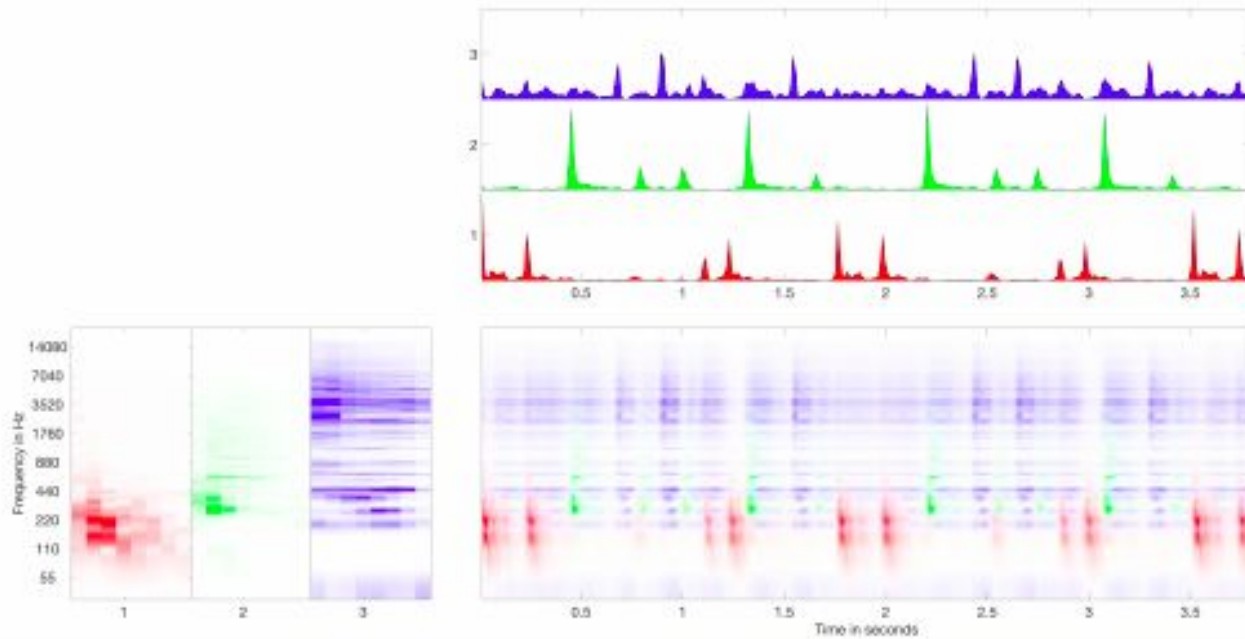
# An interesting view of the factorization



$$v_j \approx \vec{w}_1 h_{1j} + \vec{w}_2 h_{2j} + \dots + \vec{w}_n h_{nj}$$

$$\frac{v_j}{\sum_i h_{ij}} \approx \vec{w}_1 c_1 + \vec{w}_2 c_2 + \dots + \vec{w}_n c_n$$

# Separating Sound signals using NMF



## Separating Sound signals using NMF

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_{1t} \\ x_{2t} \\ \vdots \\ x_{Ft} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{F1} & a_{F2} \end{bmatrix} \bullet \begin{bmatrix} s_{1t} \\ s_{2t} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}_t$$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{a}_1 s_{1t} + \mathbf{a}_2 s_{2t}$$

**Thank You !**