# 01\_deep\_autoencoders

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# 1 Designing and training autoencoders using Python

In this notebook, we illustrate how to implement several of the autoencoder models introduced in the preceding section using Keras. We first load and prepare an image dataset that we use throughout this section because it makes it easier to visualize the results of the encoding process.

We then proceed to build autoencoders using deep feedforward nets, sparsity constraints, and convolutions and then apply the latter to denoise images.

Source: https://blog.keras.io/building-autoencoders-in-keras.html

## 1.1 Imports & Settings

```
[2]: from os.path import join
     import pandas as pd
     import numpy as np
     from numpy.random import choice
     from numpy.linalg import norm
     import seaborn as sns
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     from matplotlib.colors import ListedColormap
     from matplotlib.offsetbox import AnnotationBbox, OffsetImage
     from mpl toolkits.axes grid1 import make axes locatable
     from keras.layers import Input, Dense, Conv2D, MaxPooling2D, UpSampling2D
     from keras import regularizers
     from keras.models import Model, model_from_json
     from keras.callbacks import TensorBoard, EarlyStopping, ModelCheckpoint
     from keras.datasets import fashion_mnist
     from keras import backend as K
     from sklearn.preprocessing import minmax_scale
     from sklearn.manifold import TSNE
     from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
     from scipy.spatial.distance import pdist, cdist
```

Using TensorFlow backend.

```
[3]: %matplotlib inline
  plt.style.use('ggplot')
  n_classes = 10 # all examples have 10 classes
  cmap = sns.color_palette('Paired', n_classes)
  pd.options.display.float_format = '{:,.2f}'.format
```

#### 1.2 Fashion MNIST Data

For illustration, we'll use the Fashion MNIST dataset, a modern drop-in replacement for the classic MNIST handwritten digit dataset popularized by Yann LeCun with LeNet in the 1990s. We also relied on this dataset in Chapter 12, Unsupervised Learning.

```
[4]: (X_train, y_train), (X_test, y_test) = fashion_mnist.load_data()
```

Keras makes it easy to access the 60,000 train and 10,000 test grayscale samples with a resolution of  $28 \times 28$  pixels:

```
[5]: X_train.shape, X_test.shape
```

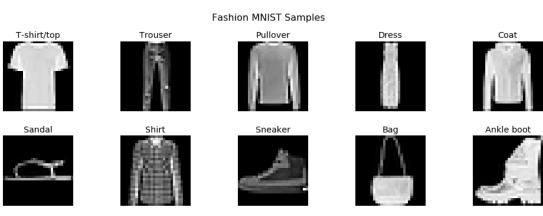
```
[5]: ((60000, 28, 28), (10000, 28, 28))
```

```
[6]: image_size = 28  # size of image (pixels per side) input_size = image_size ** 2 # Compression factor: 784 / 32 = 24.5
```

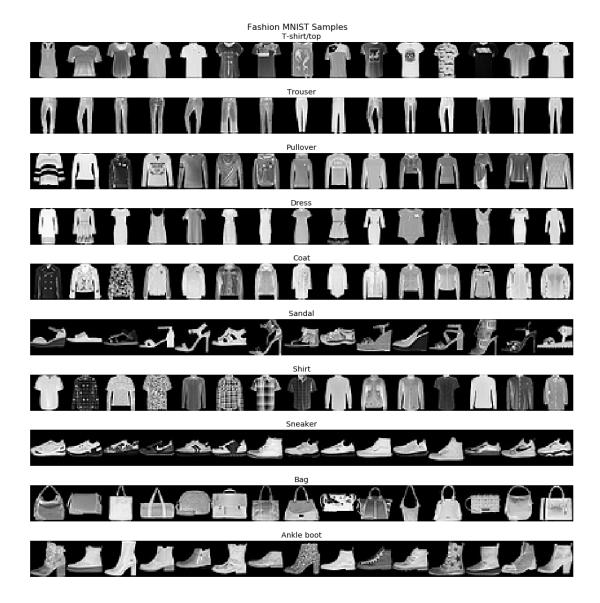
#### 1.2.1 Plot sample images

```
[9]: fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=2, ncols=5, figsize=(14, 5))
axes =axes.flatten()
for row, label in enumerate(classes):
    label_idx = np.argwhere(y_train == label).squeeze()
    axes[row].imshow(X_train[choice(label_idx)], cmap='gray')
    axes[row].axis('off')
    axes[row].set_title(class_dict[row])
```

```
fig.suptitle('Fashion MNIST Samples', fontsize=16)
fig.tight_layout()
fig.subplots_adjust(top=.85)
```



```
[10]: n_samples = 15
      fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=n_classes, figsize=(15, 15))
      axes =axes.flatten()
      for row, label in enumerate(classes):
          class_imgs = np.empty(shape=(image_size, n_samples * image_size))
          label_idx = np.argwhere(y_train == label).squeeze()
          class_samples = choice(label_idx, size=n_samples, replace=False)
          for col, sample in enumerate(class_samples):
              i = col * image_size
              class_imgs[:, i:i + image_size] = X_train[sample]
          axes[row].imshow(class_imgs, cmap='gray')
          axes[row].axis('off')
          axes[row].set_title(class_dict[row])
      fig.suptitle('Fashion MNIST Samples', fontsize=16)
      fig.tight_layout()
      fig.subplots_adjust(top=.95, bottom=0)
```



# 1.3 Reshape & normalize Fashion MNIST data

We reshape the data so that each image is represented by a flat one-dimensional pixel vector with  $28 \times 28 = 784$  elements normalized to the range of [0, 1]:

```
[11]: encoding_size = 32 # Size of encoding
[12]: def data_prep(x, size=input_size):
    return x.reshape(-1, size).astype('float32')/255

[13]: X_train_scaled = data_prep(X_train)
    X_test_scaled = data_prep(X_test)
```

```
[14]: X_train_scaled.shape, X_test_scaled.shape
```

```
[14]: ((60000, 784), (10000, 784))
```

# 1.4 Vanilla single-layer autoencoder

We start with a vanilla feedforward autoencoder with a single hidden layer to illustrate the general design approach using the functional Keras API and establish a performance baseline.

Encoding 28 x 28 images to a 32 value representation for a compression factor of 24.5

## 1.4.1 Single-layer Model

#### **Input Layer**

```
[15]: input_ = Input(shape=(input_size,), name='Input')
```

**Dense Encoding Layer** The encoder part of the model consists of a fully-connected layer that learns the new, compressed representation of the input. We use 32 units for a compression ratio of 24.5:

WARNING:tensorflow:From

/home/stefan/.pyenv/versions/miniconda3-latest/envs/ml4t/lib/python3.6/site-packages/tensorflow/python/framework/op\_def\_library.py:263: colocate\_with (from tensorflow.python.framework.ops) is deprecated and will be removed in a future version.

Instructions for updating:

Colocations handled automatically by placer.

**Dense Reconstruction Layer** The decoding part reconstructs the compressed data to its original size in a single step:

#### Autoencoder Model

The thus defined encoder-decoder computation uses almost 51,000 parameters:

```
[19]: autoencoder.summary()
```

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
Input (InputLayer)	(None, 784)	0
Encoder (Dense)	(None, 32)	25120
Decoder (Dense)	(None, 784)	25872
Total params: 50,992 Trainable params: 50.992		

Trainable params: 50,992 Non-trainable params: 0

#### 1.4.2 Encoder Model

The functional API allows us to use parts of the model's chain as separate encoder and decoder models that use the autoencoder's parameters learned during training.

The encoder just uses the input and hidden layer with about half of the total parameters:

```
[20]: encoder = Model(inputs=input_ ,
                      outputs=encoding,
                      name='Encoder')
```

[21]: encoder.summary()

Output Shape Pa	Param #
(None, 784) 0	)
(None, 32) 2!	25120
	:====:

Total params: 25,120 Trainable params: 25,120 Non-trainable params: 0

Once we train the autoencoder, we can use the encoder to compress the data.

## 1.4.3 Decoder Model

The decoder consists of the last autoencoder layer, fed by a placeholder for the encoded data:

## Placeholder for encoded input

```
[22]:
     encoded_input = Input(shape=(encoding_size,), name='Decoder_Input')
```

Extract last autoencoder layer

```
[23]: decoder_layer = autoencoder.layers[-1](encoded_input)
```

## Define Decoder Model

```
[25]: decoder.summary()
```

## 1.4.4 Compile the Autoencoder Model

#### 1.4.5 Train the autoencoder

We compile the model to use the Adam optimizer (see Chapter 17, Deep Learning) to minimize the MSE between the input data and the reproduction achieved by the autoencoder. To ensure that the autoencoder learns to reproduce the input, we train the model using the same input and output data:

#### Create early\_stopping callback

#### Create TensorBard callback to visualize network performance

```
write_images=True)
```

# Create checkpoint callback

**Fit the Model** To avoid running time, you can load the pre-computed results in the 'model' folder (see below)

```
Train on 54000 samples, validate on 6000 samples
Epoch 1/100
val loss: 0.0145
Epoch 2/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0138 -
val_loss: 0.0135
Epoch 3/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 38us/step - loss: 0.0132 -
val_loss: 0.0132
Epoch 4/100
val_loss: 0.0130
Epoch 5/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0129 -
val_loss: 0.0132
Epoch 6/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 2s 39us/step - loss: 0.0128 -
val loss: 0.0129
Epoch 7/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 39us/step - loss: 0.0127 -
val_loss: 0.0127
```

```
Epoch 8/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 39us/step - loss: 0.0126 -
val_loss: 0.0128
Epoch 9/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0126 -
val loss: 0.0127
Epoch 10/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 39us/step - loss: 0.0126 -
val loss: 0.0127
Epoch 11/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val_loss: 0.0127
Epoch 12/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val_loss: 0.0128
Epoch 13/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 41us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val_loss: 0.0126
Epoch 14/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 40us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val loss: 0.0127
Epoch 15/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 39us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val_loss: 0.0126
Epoch 16/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 44us/step - loss: 0.0124 -
val_loss: 0.0127
Epoch 17/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 2s 41us/step - loss: 0.0124 -
val_loss: 0.0126
Epoch 18/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 41us/step - loss: 0.0124 -
val_loss: 0.0127
```

[32]: <keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f2a845dc7b8>

#### 1.4.6 Reload weights from best-performing model

```
[33]: autoencoder.load_weights(filepath)
```

#### 1.4.7 Evaluate trained model

Training stops after some 20 epochs with a test RMSE of 0.1122:

```
[51]: mse = autoencoder.evaluate(x=X_test_scaled, y=X_test_scaled)
f'MSE: {mse:.4f} | RMSE {mse**.5:.4f}'
```

```
10000/10000 [=========== ] - 0s 14us/step
```

```
[51]: 'MSE: 0.0126 | RMSE 0.1121'
```

# 1.4.8 Encode and decode test images

To encode data, we use the encoder we just defined, like so:

```
[35]: encoded_test_img = encoder.predict(X_test_scaled)
    encoded_test_img.shape
```

[35]: (10000, 32)

The decoder takes the compressed data and reproduces the output according to the autoencoder training results:

```
[36]: decoded_test_img = decoder.predict(encoded_test_img)
decoded_test_img.shape
```

[36]: (10000, 784)

Compare Original with Reconstructed Samples The following figure shows ten original images and their reconstruction by the autoencoder and illustrates the loss after compression:

```
fig, axes = plt.subplots(ncols=n_classes, nrows=2, figsize=(20, 4))
for i in range(n_classes):

    axes[0, i].imshow(X_test_scaled[i].reshape(image_size, image_size),
    cmap='gray')
    axes[0, i].axis('off')

    axes[1, i].imshow(decoded_test_img[i].reshape(28, 28) , cmap='gray')
    axes[1, i].axis('off')

fig.suptitle('Original and Reconstructed Images', fontsize=20)
fig.tight_layout()
fig.subplots_adjust(top=.85)
fig.savefig('figures/reconstructed', dpi=300)
```

Original and Reconstructed Images



## 1.5 Combine training steps into function

The helper function train\_autoencoder just summarizes some repetitive steps.

# 1.6 Autoencoders with Sparsity Constraints

## 1.6.1 Encoding Layer with L1 activity regularizer

The addition of regularization is fairly straightforward. We can apply it to the dense encoder layer using Keras' activity\_regularizer, as follows:

## 1.6.2 Decoding Layer

```
[40]: autoencoder_l1 = Model(input_, decoding_l1)
```

#### 1.6.3 Autoencoder Model

```
[41]: autoencoder_l1.summary()
```

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
Input (InputLayer)	(None, 784)	0
Encoder_L1 (Dense)	(None, 32)	25120
Decoder_L1 (Dense)	(None, 784)	25872 ========

```
Total params: 50,992
    Trainable params: 50,992
    Non-trainable params: 0
[42]: autoencoder_11.compile(optimizer='adam',
                          loss='mse')
    1.6.4 Encoder & Decoder Models
[43]: encoder_11 = Model(inputs=input_, outputs=encoding_11, name='Encoder')
[44]: encoded_input = Input(shape=(encoding size,), name='Decoder_Input')
     decoder_l1_layer = autoencoder_l1.layers[-1](encoded_input)
     decoder_l1 = Model(inputs=encoded_input, outputs=decoder_l1_layer)
     1.6.5 Train Model
[47]: path = 'models/fashion_mnist.autencoder_11.32.weights.hdf5'
     autoencoder_l1, mse = train_autoencoder(path, autoencoder_l1)
    Train on 54000 samples, validate on 6000 samples
    Epoch 1/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 49us/step - loss: 0.1206 -
    val_loss: 0.0975
    Epoch 2/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 44us/step - loss: 0.0921 -
    val_loss: 0.0895
    Epoch 3/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 46us/step - loss: 0.0883 -
    val loss: 0.0880
    Epoch 4/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 44us/step - loss: 0.0874 -
    val_loss: 0.0875
    Epoch 5/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 48us/step - loss: 0.0871 -
    val_loss: 0.0874
    Epoch 6/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 48us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
    val_loss: 0.0873
    Epoch 7/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 47us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
    val_loss: 0.0873
    Epoch 8/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 46us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
    val loss: 0.0873
```

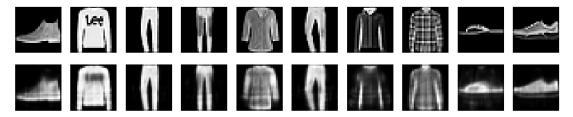
Epoch 9/100

```
54000/54000 [============== ] - 2s 44us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val_loss: 0.0873
Epoch 10/100
val loss: 0.0873
Epoch 11/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 45us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val loss: 0.0873
Epoch 12/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 47us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val_loss: 0.0873
Epoch 13/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 46us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val loss: 0.0873
Epoch 14/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 45us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val_loss: 0.0873
Epoch 15/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 46us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val loss: 0.0873
Epoch 16/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 3s 47us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val loss: 0.0873
Epoch 17/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 46us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val_loss: 0.0873
Epoch 18/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 2s 45us/step - loss: 0.0870 -
val loss: 0.0873
10000/10000 [=========== ] - 0s 14us/step
```

#### 1.6.6 Evaluate Model

The input and decoding layers remain unchanged. In this example, with a compression of factor 24.5, regularization negatively affects performance with a test RMSE of 0.2946.

```
axes[1, i].imshow(decoded_test_img[i].reshape(28, 28) , cmap='gray')
axes[1, i].axis('off')
```



## 1.7 Deep Autoencoder

To illustrate the benefit of adding depth to the autoencoder, we build a three-layer feedforward model that successively compresses the input from 784 to 128, 64, and 34 units, respectively:

## 1.7.1 Define three-layer architecture

```
[55]: input_ = Input(shape=(input_size,))
    x = Dense(128, activation='relu', name='Encoding1')(input_)
    x = Dense(64, activation='relu', name='Encoding2')(x)
    encoding_deep = Dense(32, activation='relu', name='Encoding3')(x)

    x = Dense(64, activation='relu', name='Decoding1')(encoding_deep)
    x = Dense(128, activation='relu', name='Decoding2')(x)
    decoding_deep = Dense(input_size, activation='sigmoid', name='Decoding3')(x)
```

```
[56]: autoencoder_deep = Model(input_, decoding_deep)
autoencoder_deep.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mse')
```

The resulting model has over 222,000 parameters, more than four times the capacity of the preceding single-layer model:

# [57]: autoencoder\_deep.summary()

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
input_1 (InputLayer)	(None, 784)	0
Encoding1 (Dense)	(None, 128)	100480
Encoding2 (Dense)	(None, 64)	8256
Encoding3 (Dense)	(None, 32)	2080

```
Decoding1 (Dense)
                            (None, 64)
                                                   2112
    Decoding2 (Dense)
                             (None, 128)
                                                    8320
                     (None, 784)
    Decoding3 (Dense)
                                                   101136
     Total params: 222,384
    Trainable params: 222,384
    Non-trainable params: 0
    1.7.2 Encoder & Decoder Models
[58]: encoder_deep = Model(inputs=input_, outputs=encoding_deep, name='Encoder')
[59]: encoded_input = Input(shape=(encoding_size,), name='Decoder_Input')
     x = autoencoder_deep.layers[-3](encoded_input)
     x = autoencoder_deep.layers[-2](x)
     decoded = autoencoder_deep.layers[-1](x)
     decoder_deep = Model(inputs=encoded_input, outputs=decoded)
[60]: decoder_deep.summary()
    Layer (type)
                             Output Shape
    ______
    Decoder_Input (InputLayer) (None, 32)
    Decoding1 (Dense)
                             (None, 64)
                                                   2112
    Decoding2 (Dense)
                     (None, 128)
                                                   8320
    Decoding3 (Dense)
                       (None, 784)
                                                   101136
    Total params: 111,568
    Trainable params: 111,568
    Non-trainable params: 0
    1.7.3 Train Model
[61]: path = 'models/fashion_mnist.autencoder_deep.32.weights.hdf5'
     autoencoder_deep, mse = train_autoencoder(path, autoencoder_deep)
[62]:
```

```
Train on 54000 samples, validate on 6000 samples
Epoch 1/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 110us/step - loss: 0.0271 -
val loss: 0.0187
Epoch 2/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 100us/step - loss: 0.0172 -
val loss: 0.0161
Epoch 3/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 102us/step - loss: 0.0153 -
val loss: 0.0150
Epoch 4/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0142 -
val_loss: 0.0140
Epoch 5/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0135 -
val loss: 0.0136
Epoch 6/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0131 -
val_loss: 0.0130
Epoch 7/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 102us/step - loss: 0.0128 -
val loss: 0.0129
Epoch 8/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 5s 98us/step - loss: 0.0125 -
val_loss: 0.0126
Epoch 9/100
val_loss: 0.0125
Epoch 10/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 93us/step - loss: 0.0122 -
val_loss: 0.0123
Epoch 11/100
54000/54000 [============ ] - 5s 95us/step - loss: 0.0120 -
val_loss: 0.0121
Epoch 12/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0119 -
val loss: 0.0123
Epoch 13/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 100us/step - loss: 0.0118 -
val loss: 0.0118
Epoch 14/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 106us/step - loss: 0.0117 -
val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 15/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0116 -
val loss: 0.0119
Epoch 16/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0115 -
```

```
val_loss: 0.0118
Epoch 17/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0114 -
val loss: 0.0117
Epoch 18/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0114 -
val loss: 0.0117
Epoch 19/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0113 -
val_loss: 0.0115
Epoch 20/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0112 -
val_loss: 0.0114
Epoch 21/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 101us/step - loss: 0.0111 -
val_loss: 0.0113
Epoch 22/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0111 -
val loss: 0.0113
Epoch 23/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0110 -
val loss: 0.0113
Epoch 24/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0110 -
val_loss: 0.0112
Epoch 25/100
54000/54000 [============== ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0109 -
val_loss: 0.0113
Epoch 26/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0109 -
val_loss: 0.0111
Epoch 27/100
54000/54000 [============ ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0108 -
val_loss: 0.0110
Epoch 28/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 105us/step - loss: 0.0108 -
val loss: 0.0111
Epoch 29/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 100us/step - loss: 0.0108 -
val_loss: 0.0112
Epoch 30/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 105us/step - loss: 0.0107 -
val_loss: 0.0110
Epoch 31/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0107 -
val loss: 0.0109
Epoch 32/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 104us/step - loss: 0.0107 -
```

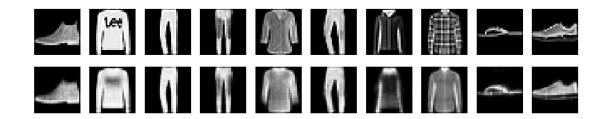
```
val_loss: 0.0110
Epoch 33/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0107 -
val loss: 0.0109
Epoch 34/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 105us/step - loss: 0.0106 -
val loss: 0.0108
Epoch 35/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 104us/step - loss: 0.0106 -
val_loss: 0.0109
Epoch 36/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 105us/step - loss: 0.0106 -
val_loss: 0.0108
Epoch 37/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 108us/step - loss: 0.0105 -
val loss: 0.0109
Epoch 38/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 108us/step - loss: 0.0105 -
val loss: 0.0110
Epoch 39/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 109us/step - loss: 0.0105 -
val loss: 0.0107
Epoch 40/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 116us/step - loss: 0.0105 -
val_loss: 0.0108
Epoch 41/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 111us/step - loss: 0.0105 -
val_loss: 0.0108
Epoch 42/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 108us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val_loss: 0.0108
Epoch 43/100
54000/54000 [============ ] - 6s 111us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val_loss: 0.0107
Epoch 44/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 104us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val loss: 0.0107
Epoch 45/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 106us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val_loss: 0.0108
Epoch 46/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 107us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val_loss: 0.0106
Epoch 47/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
val loss: 0.0107
Epoch 48/100
54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 103us/step - loss: 0.0104 -
```

```
Epoch 49/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 104us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val loss: 0.0106
    Epoch 50/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 106us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val loss: 0.0109
    Epoch 51/100
    54000/54000 [=======
                                ========] - 6s 102us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val_loss: 0.0107
    Epoch 52/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 6s 105us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val_loss: 0.0108
    Epoch 53/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 95us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val_loss: 0.0107
    Epoch 54/100
    54000/54000 [============= ] - 5s 94us/step - loss: 0.0103 -
    val loss: 0.0108
    10000/10000 [=========== ] - 0s 22us/step
[63]: autoencoder_deep.load_weights(path)
```

#### 1.7.4 Evaluate Model

val\_loss: 0.0108

Training stops after 54 epochs and results in a  $\sim 10\%$  reduction of the test RMSE to 0.1026. Due to the low resolution, it is difficult to visually note the better reconstruction.



# 1.7.5 Compute t-SNE Embedding

We can use the t-distributed Stochastic Neighbor Embedding (t-SNE) manifold learning technique, see Chapter 12, Unsupervised Learning, to visualize and assess the quality of the encoding learned by the autoencoder's hidden layer.

If the encoding is successful in capturing the salient features of the data, the compressed representation of the data should still reveal a structure aligned with the 10 classes that differentiate the observations.

We use the output of the deep encoder we just trained to obtain the 32-dimensional representation of the test set:

Since t-SNE can take a long time to run, we are providing pre-computed results

```
[22]: # alternatively, compute the result yourself
# tsne = TSNE(perplexity=25, n_iter=5000)
# train_embed = tsne.fit_transform(encoder_deep.predict(X_train_scaled))
```

#### Persist result

```
[28]: # store results given computational intensity (different location to avoid

→overwriting the pre-computed results)

# pd.DataFrame(train_embed).to_hdf('tsne.h5', 'autoencoder_deep')
```

#### Load pre-computed embeddings

```
[67]: # Load the pre-computed results here: train_embed = pd.read_hdf('tsne.h5', 'autoencoder_deep')
```

## Visualize Embedding

```
ax.axis('off')
  ax.set_title(title + ' | Distance: {:.2%}'.format(inner/outer))
   sc = ax.scatter(*X.T, c=y, cmap=ListedColormap(cmap), s=5);
  shown_images = np.ones((1, 2))
  images = X_train.reshape(-1, 28, 28)
  for i in range(0, X.shape[0]):
       dist = norm(X[i] - shown_images, axis=1)
       if (dist > min_dist).all():
           shown_images = np.r_[shown_images, [X[i]]]
           imagebox = AnnotationBbox(OffsetImage(images[i], cmap=plt.cm.
→gray_r), X[i])
           ax.add_artist(imagebox)
  divider = make_axes_locatable(ax)
   cax = divider.append_axes("right", size="2%", pad=0.05)
  plt.colorbar(sc, cax=cax)
  fig.tight_layout()
  fig.savefig('figures/tsne_autoencoder_deep', dpi=300)
```

The following figure shows that t-SNE manages to separate the 10 classes well, suggesting that the encoding is useful as a lower-dimensional representation that preserves key characteristics of the data:

```
[69]: plot_embedding(X=train_embed, title='t-SNE & Deep Autoencoder')
```

/home/stefan/.pyenv/versions/miniconda3-latest/envs/ml4t/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel\_launcher.py:2: DataConversionWarning: Data with input dtype float32 were all converted to float64.

