Deep Learning

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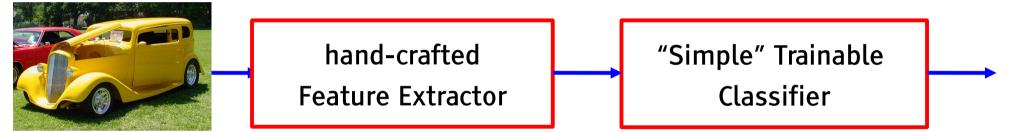
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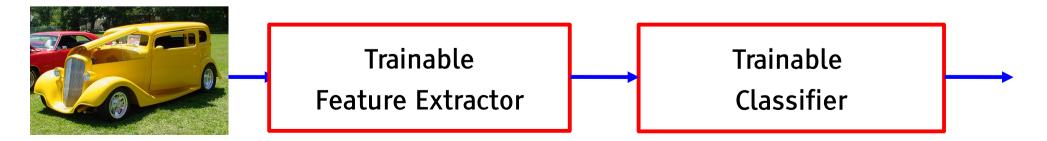


Deep Learning = Learning Representations/Features

- The traditional model of pattern recognition (since the late 50's)
 - Fixed/engineered features (or fixed kernel) + trainable classifier



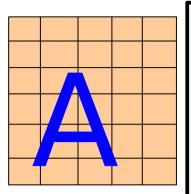
- End-to-end learning / Feature learning / Deep learning
 - ▶ Trainable features (or kernel) + trainable classifier

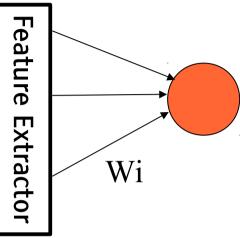




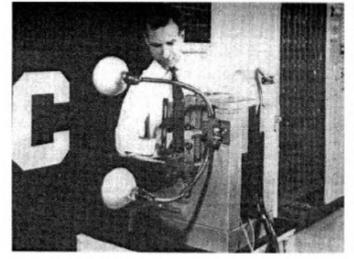
This Basic Model has not evolved much since the 50's

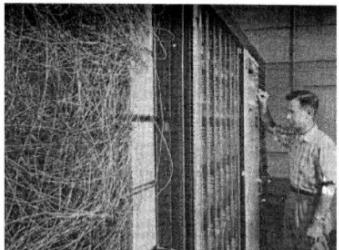
- The first learning machine: the Perceptron
 - Built at Cornell in 1960
- The Perceptron was a linear classifier on top of a simple feature extractor
- The vast majority of practical applications of ML today use glorified linear classifiers or glorified template matching.
- Designing a feature extractor requires considerable efforts by experts.

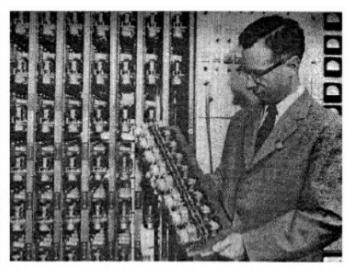


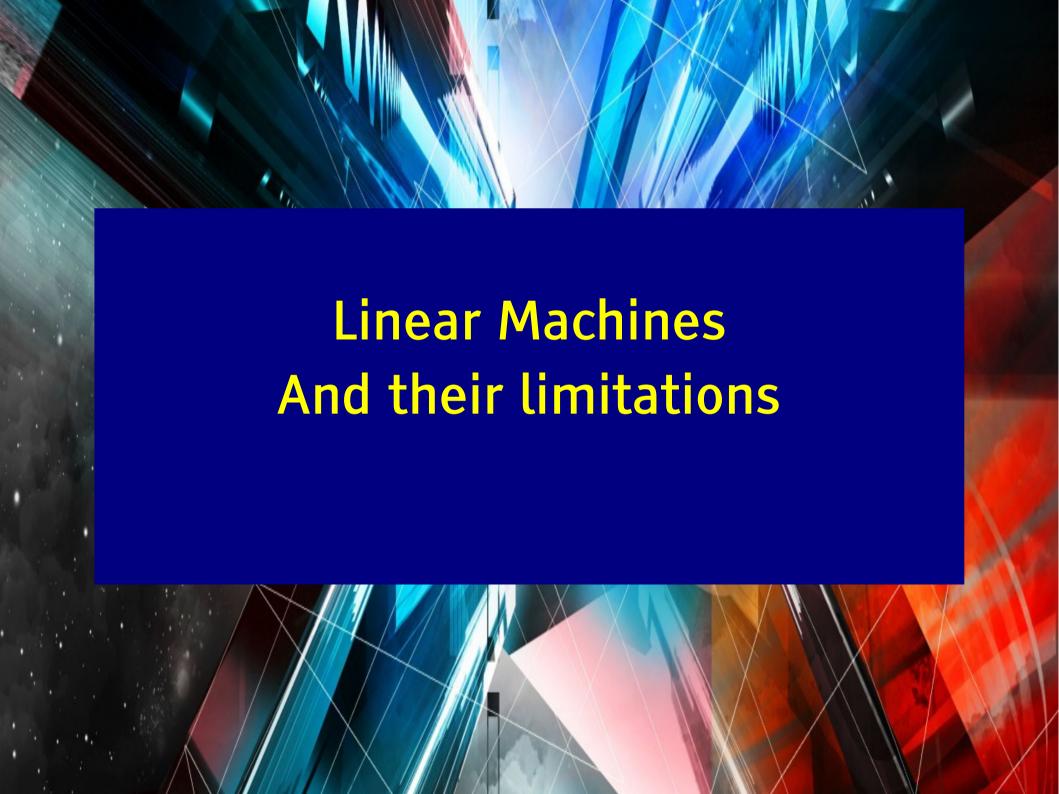


$$y=sign\left(\sum_{i=1}^{N}W_{i}F_{i}(X)+b\right)$$









Linear Machines: Regression with Mean Square

Linear Regression, Mean Square Loss:

- decision rule: y = W'X
- loss function: $L(W, y^i, X^i) = \frac{1}{2}(y^i W'X^i)^2$
- **gradient** of loss: $\frac{\partial L(W, y^i, X^i)}{\partial W}' = -(y^i W(t)'X^i)X^i$
- update rule: $W(t+1) = W(t) + \eta(t)(y^i W(t)'X^i)X^i$
- direct solution: solve linear system $\left[\sum_{i=1}^{P} X^{i} X^{i'}\right] W = \sum_{i=1}^{P} y^{i} X^{i}$

Linear Machines: Perceptron

Perceptron:

- decision rule: y = F(W'X) (F is the threshold function)
- loss function: $L(W, y^i, X^i) = (F(W'X^i) y^i)W'X^i$
- gradient of loss: $\frac{\partial L(W, y^i, X^i)}{\partial W}' = -(y^i F(W(t)'X^i))X^i$
- **update rule:** $W(t+1) = W(t) + \eta(t)(y^i F(W(t)'X^i))X^i$
- direct solution: find W such that $-y^i F(W'X^i) < 0 \quad \forall i$

Linear Machines: Logistic Regression

Logistic Regression, Negative Log-Likelihood Loss function:

- decision rule: y = F(W'X), with $F(a) = \tanh(a) = \frac{1 \exp(a)}{1 + \exp(a)}$ (sigmoid function).
- loss function: $L(W, y^i, X^i) = 2 \log(1 + \exp(-y^i W' X^i))$
- gradient of loss: $\frac{\partial L(W, y^i, X^i)}{\partial W}' = -(Y^i F(W'X)))X^i$
- update rule: $W(t+1) = W(t) + \eta(t)(y^i F(W(t)'X^i))X^i$

General Gradient-Based Supervised Learning Machine

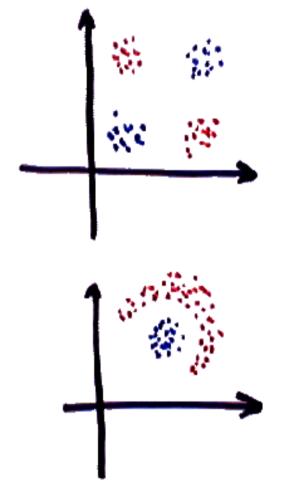
Neural Nets, and many other models:

- decision rule: y = F(W, X), where F is some function, and W some parameter vector.
- loss function: $L(W, y^i, X^i) = D(y^i, F(W, X^i))$, where D(y, f) measures the "discrepancy" between A and B.
- **gradient** of loss: $\frac{\partial L(W, y^i, X^i)}{\partial W}' = \frac{\partial D(y^i, f)}{\partial f} \frac{\partial F(W, X^i)}{\partial W}$
- update rule: $W(t+1) = W(t) \eta(t) \frac{\partial D(y^i, f)}{\partial f} \frac{\partial F(W, X^i)}{\partial W}$

Three Questions:

- What architecture F(W, X).
- What loss Function $L(W, y^i, X^i)$.
- What optimization method.

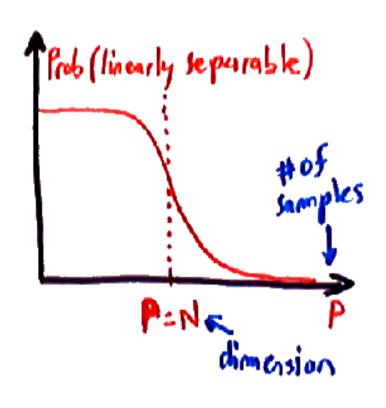
Limitations of Linear Machines



The *Linearly separable* dichotomies are the partitions that are realizable by a linear classifier (the boundary between the classes is a hyperplane).

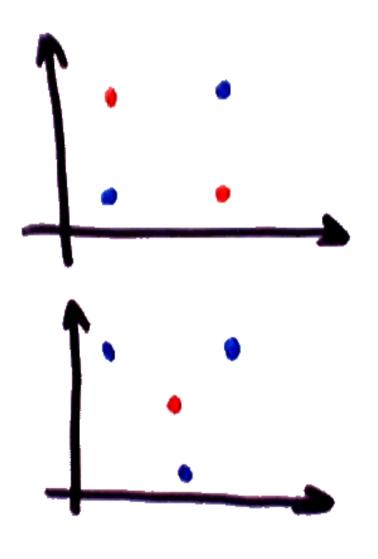
Number of Linearly Separable Dichotomies

The probability that P samples of dimension N are linearly separable goes to zero very quickly as P grows larger than N (Cover's theorem, 1966).



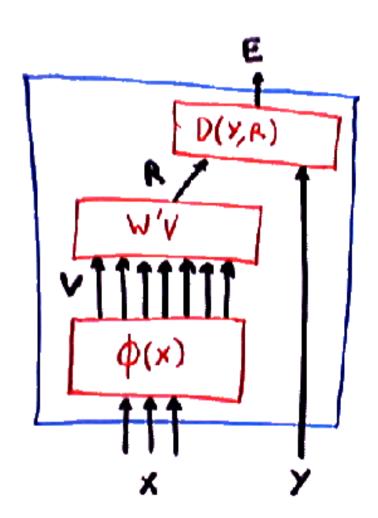
- Problem: there are 2^P possible dichotomies of P points.
- Only about N are linearly separable.
- If P is larger than N, the probability that a random dichotomy is linearly separable is very, very small.

Example of Non-Linearly Separable Dichotomies



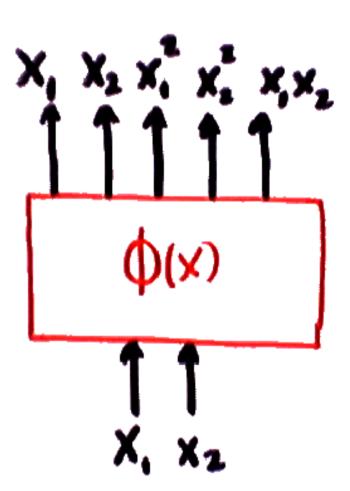
- Some seemingly simple dichotomies are not linearly separable
- Question: How do we make a given problem linearly separable?

Making N Larger: Preprocessing



- Answer 1: we make N larger by augmenting the input variables with new "features".
- we map/project X from its original N-dimensional space into a higher dimensional space where things are more likely to be linearly separable, using a vector function Φ(X).
- $\blacksquare E(Y, X, W) = D(Y, R)$
- $\blacksquare R = f(W'V)$
- $V = \Phi(X)$

Adding Cross-Product Terms



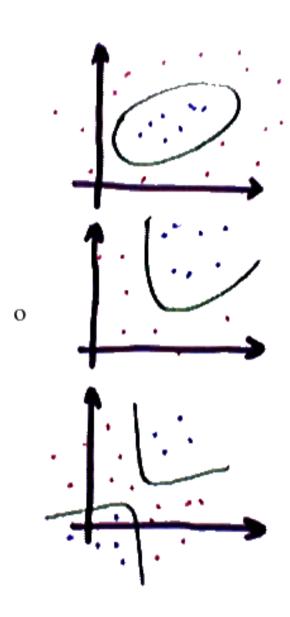
- Polynomial Expansion.
- If our original input variables are $(1, x_1, x_2)$, we construct a new *feature vector* with the following components:

$$\Phi(1, x_1, x_2) = (1, x_1, x_2, x_1^2, x_2^2, x_1 x_2)$$

i.e. we add all the cross-products of the original variables.

we map/project X from its original N-dimensional space into a higher dimensional space with N(N+1)/2 dimensions.

Polynomial Mapping



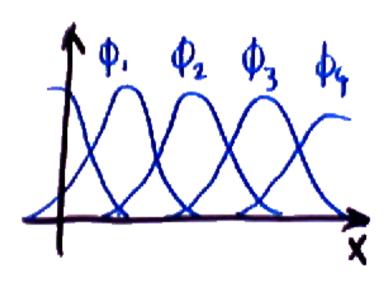
- Many new functions are now separable with the new architecture.
- With cross-product features, the family of class boundaries in the original space is the conic sections (ellipse, parabola, hyperbola).
- to each possible boundary in the original space corresponds a linear boundary in the transformed space.
- Because this is essentially a linear classifier with a preprocessing, we can use standard linear learning algorithms (perceptron, linear regression, logistic regression...).

Problems with Polynomial Mapping

- We can generalize this idea to higher degree polynomials, adding cross-product terms with 3, 4 or more variables.
- Unfortunately, the number of terms is the number of combinations d choose N, which grows like N^d, where d is the degree, and N the number of original variables.
- In particular, the number of free parameters that must be learned is also of order N^d.
- This is impractical for large N and for d > 2.
- Example: handwritten digit recognition (16x16 pixel images). Number of variables: 256. Degree 2: 32,896 variables. Degree 3: 2,796,160. Degre 4: 247,460,160.....

Next Idea: Tile the Space

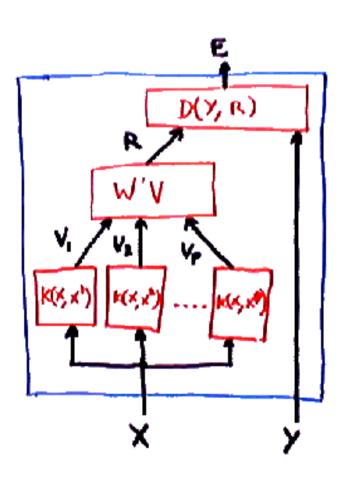
place a number of equally-spaced "bumps" that cover the entire input space.



- For classification, the bumps can be Gaussians
- For regression, the basis functions can be wavelets, sine/cosine, splines (pieces of polynomials)....
- problem: this does not work with more than a few dimensions.
- The number of bumps necessary to cover an N dimensional space grows exponentially with N.

Sample-Centered Basis Functions (Kernels)

Place the center of a basis function around each training sample. That way, we only spend resources on regions of the space where we actually have training samples.



Discriminant function:

$$f(X, W) = \sum_{k=1}^{k=P} W_k K(X, X^k)$$

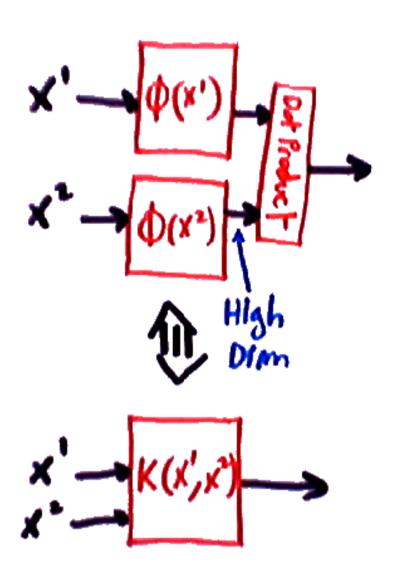
K(X, X') often takes the form of a radial basis function:

$$K(X,X') = \exp(b||X-X'||^2)$$
 or a polynomial $K(X,X') = (X.X'+1)^m$

- This is a very common architecture, which can be used with a number of energy functions.
- In particular, this is the architecture of the socalled Support Vector Machine (SVM), but the energy function of the SVM is a bit special. We will study it later in the course.

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The Kernel Trick



- If the kernel function K(X, X') verifies the *Mercer conditions*, then there exist a mapping Φ , such that $\Phi(X).\Phi(X') = K(X, X').$
- The Mercer conditions are that K must be symmetric, and must be positive definite (i.e K(X, X) must be positive for all X).
- In other words, if we want to map our X into a high-dimensional space (so as to make them linearly separable), and all we have to do in that space is compute dot products, we can take a shortcut and simply compute K(X¹, X²) without going through the high-dimensional space.
- This is called the "kernel trick". It is used in many so-called Kernel-based methods, including Support Vector Machines.

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Examples of Kernels

Quadratic kernel: $\Phi(X)=(1,\sqrt{2}x_1,\sqrt{2}x_2,\sqrt{2}x_1x_2,x_1^2,x_2^2)$ then

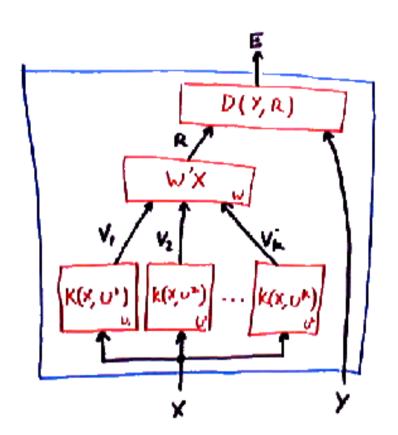
$$K(X, X') = \Phi(X).\Phi(X') = (X.X' + 1)^2$$

- Polynomial kernel: this generalizes to any degree d. The kernel that corresponds to $\Phi(X)$ bieng a polynomial of degree d is $K(X,X') = \Phi(X).\Phi(X') = (X.X'+1)^d$.
- Gaussian Kernel:

$$K(X, X') = \exp(-b||X - X'||^2)$$

This kernel, sometimes called the Gaussian Radial Basis Function, is very commonly used.

Sparse Basis Functions



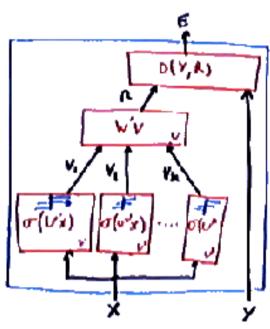
- Place the center of a basis function around areas containing training samples.
- Idea 1: use an unsupervised clustering algorithm (such as K-means or mixture of Gaussians) to place the centers of the basis functions in areas of high sample density.
- Idea 2: adjust the basis function centers through gradient descent in the loss function.

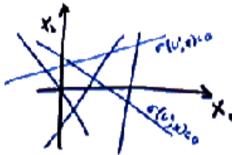
The discriminant function F is:

$$F(X, W, U^1, \dots, U^K) = \sum_{k=1}^{k=K} W_k K(X, U^k)$$

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Other Idea: Random Directions

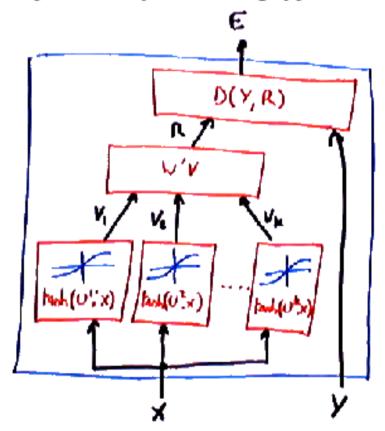




- Partition the space in lots of little domains by randomly placing lits of hyperplanes.
- Use many variables of the type q(W^kX), where q is the threshold function (or some other squashing function) and W_k is a randomly picked vector.
- This is the original Perceptron.
- Without the non-linearity, the whole system would be linear (product of linear operations), and therefore would be no more powerful than a linear classifier.
- problem: a bit of a wishful thinking, but it works occasionally.

Neural Net with a Single Hidden Layer

A particularly interesting type of basis function is the sigmoid unit: $V_k = \tanh(U'^k X)$



- a network using these basis functions, whose output is $R = \sum_{k=1}^{k=K} W_k V_k$ is called a *single hidden-layer neural* network.
- Similarly to the RBF network, we can compute the gradient of the loss function with respect to the U^k:

$$\frac{\partial L(W)}{\partial U^j} = \frac{\partial L(W)}{\partial R} W_j \frac{\partial tanh(U_j'X)}{\partial U_j}$$

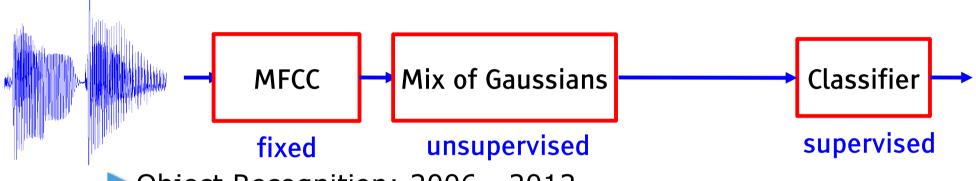
$$= \frac{\partial L(W)}{\partial R} W_j tanh'(U_j'X)X'$$

Any well-behaved function can be approximated as close as we wish by such networks (but K might be very large).

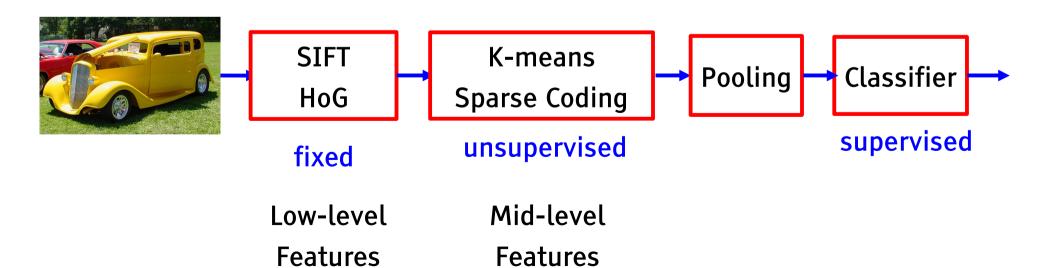


Architecture of "Mainstream" Pattern Recognition Systems

- Modern architecture for pattern recognition
 - Speech recognition: early 90's 2011



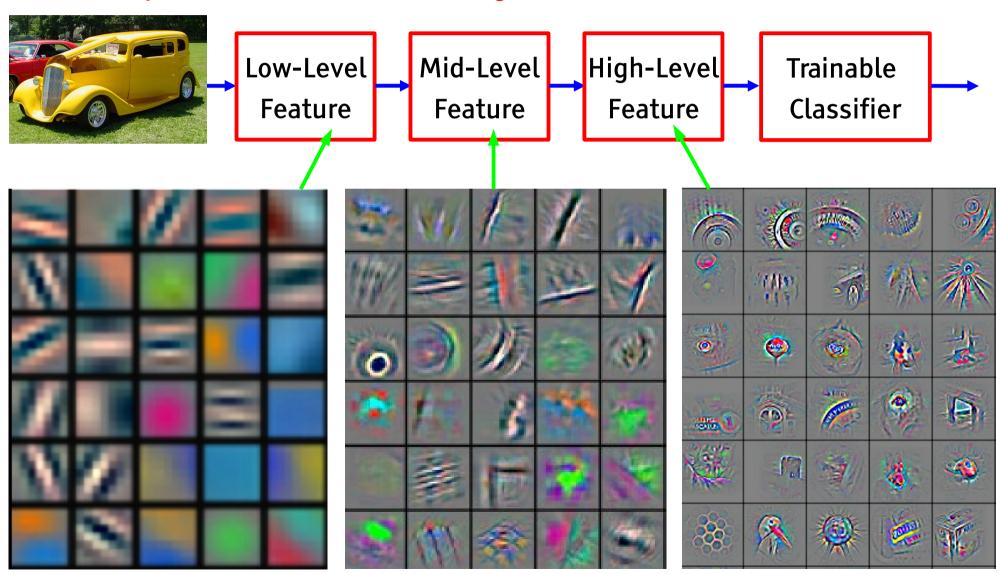
Object Recognition: 2006 - 2012





Deep Learning = Learning Hierarchical Representations

It's deep if it has more than one stage of non-linear feature transformation

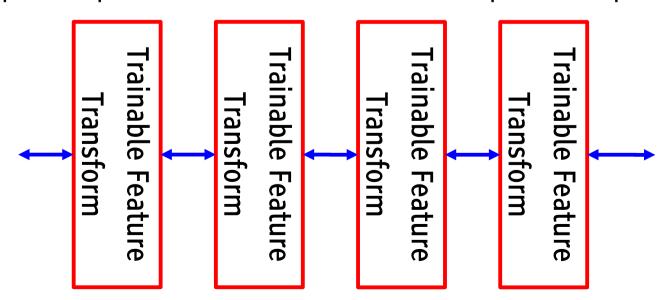


Feature visualization of convolutional net trained on ImageNet from [Zeiler & Fergus 2013]



Trainable Feature Hierarchy

- Hierarchy of representations with increasing level of abstraction
- Each stage is a kind of trainable feature transform
- Image recognition
 - ▶ Pixel \rightarrow edge \rightarrow texton \rightarrow motif \rightarrow part \rightarrow object
- Text
 - Character → word → word group → clause → sentence → story
- Speech
 - ▶ Sample \rightarrow spectral band \rightarrow sound \rightarrow ... \rightarrow phone \rightarrow phoneme \rightarrow word





Learning Representations: a challenge for ML, CV, AI, Neuroscience, Cognitive Science...

- How do we learn representations of the perceptual world?
 - How can a perceptual system build itself by looking at the world?
 - How much prior structure is necessary
- ML/AI: how do we learn features or feature hierarchies?
 - What is the fundamental principle? What is the learning algorithm? What is the architecture?
- Neuroscience: how does the cortex learn perception?
 - Does the cortex "run" a single, general learning algorithm? (or a small number of them)
- CogSci: how does the mind learn abstract concepts on top of less abstract ones?
- Deep Learning addresses the problem of learning hierarchical representations with a single algorithm

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Trainable Feature **Transform** Trainable Feature **Transform** Trainable Feature **Transform** Trainable Feature **Transform**

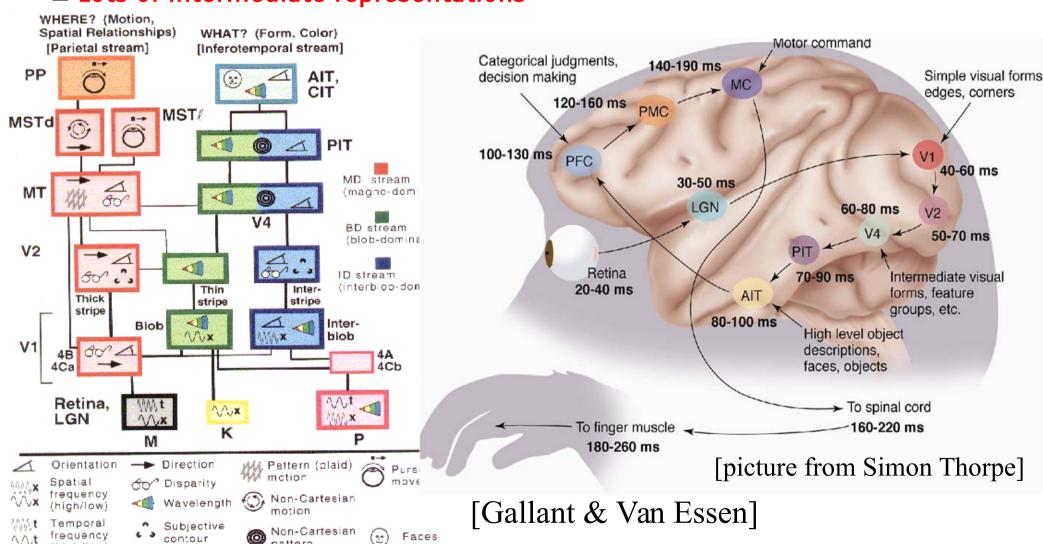


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The Mammalian Visual Cortex is Hierarchical

- The ventral (recognition) pathway in the visual cortex has multiple stages
- Retina LGN V1 V2 V4 PIT AIT
- Lots of intermediate representations

pattern





Let's be inspired by nature, but not too much

- It's nice imitate Nature,
- But we also need to understand
 - How do we know which details are important?
 - Which details are merely the result of evolution, and the constraints of biochemistry?
- For airplanes, we developed aerodynamics and compressible fluid dynamics.
 - We figured that feathers and wing flapping weren't crucial
- QUESTION: What is the equivalent of aerodynamics for understanding intelligence?

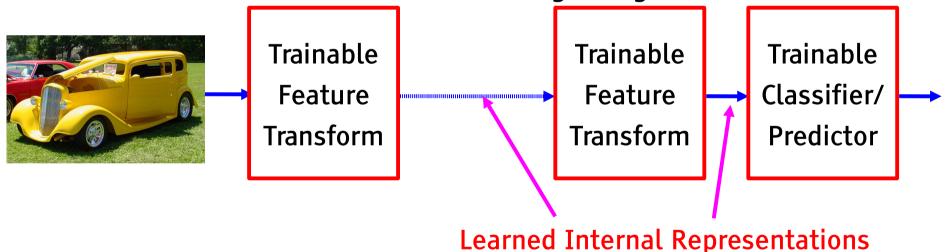


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Trainable Feature Hierarchies: End-to-end learning

- A hierarchy of trainable feature transforms
 - Each module transforms its input representation into a higher-level one.
 - High-level features are more global and more invariant
 - Low-level features are shared among categories

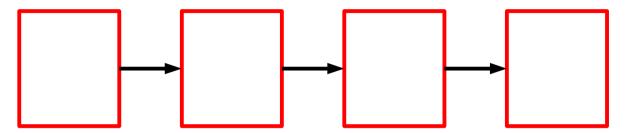


How can we make all the modules trainable and get them to learn appropriate representations?

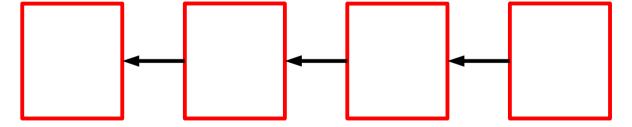


Three Types of Deep Architectures

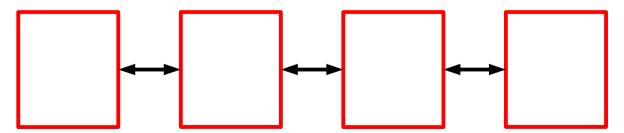
Feed-Forward: multilayer neural nets, convolutional nets



Feed-Back: Stacked Sparse Coding, Deconvolutional Nets



Bi-Drectional: Deep Boltzmann Machines, Stacked Auto-Encoders





Three Types of Training Protocols

- Purely Supervised
 - Initialize parameters randomly
 - Train in supervised mode
 - typically with SGD, using backprop to compute gradients
 - Used in most practical systems for speech and image recognition
- Unsupervised, layerwise + supervised classifier on top
 - Train each layer unsupervised, one after the other
 - Train a supervised classifier on top, keeping the other layers fixed
 - Good when very few labeled samples are available
- Unsupervised, layerwise + global supervised fine-tuning
 - Train each layer unsupervised, one after the other
 - Add a classifier layer, and retrain the whole thing supervised
 - Good when label set is poor (e.g. pedestrian detection)
- Unsupervised pre-training often uses regularized auto-encoders

Do we really need deep architectures?

Theoretician's dilemma: "We can approximate any function as close as we want with shallow architecture. Why would we need deep ones?"

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^{P} \alpha_i K(X, X^i)$$
 $y = F(W^1.F(W^0.X))$

- kernel machines (and 2-layer neural nets) are "universal".
- Deep learning machines

$$y = F(W^K.F(W^{K-1}.F(....F(W^0.X)...)))$$

- Deep machines are more efficient for representing certain classes of functions, particularly those involved in visual recognition
 - they can represent more complex functions with less "hardware"
- We need an efficient parameterization of the class of functions that are useful for "AI" tasks (vision, audition, NLP...)

Why would deep architectures be more efficient?

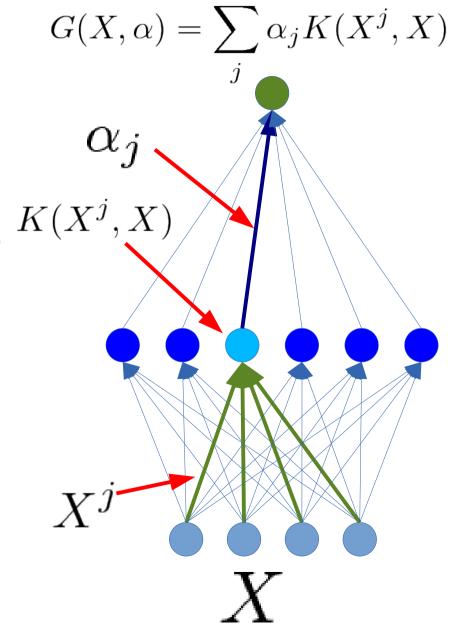
[Bengio & LeCun 2007 "Scaling Learning Algorithms Towards AI"]

- A deep architecture trades space for time (or breadth for depth)
 - more layers (more sequential computation),
 - but less hardware (less parallel computation).
- Example 1: N-bit parity
 - requires N-1 XOR gates in a tree of depth log(N).
 - Even easier if we use threshold gates
 - requires an exponential number of gates of we restrict ourselves to 2 layers (DNF formula with exponential number of minterms).
- Example 2: circuit for addition of 2 N-bit binary numbers
 - Requires O(N) gates, and O(N) layers using N one-bit adders with ripple carry propagation.
 - Requires lots of gates (some polynomial in N) if we restrict ourselves to two layers (e.g. Disjunctive Normal Form).
 - ▶ Bad news: almost all boolean functions have a DNF formula with an exponential number of minterms O(2^N).....



Which Models are Deep?

- 2-layer models are not deep (even if you train the first layer)
 - Because there is no feature hierarchy
- Neural nets with 1 hidden layer are not deep
- SVMs and Kernel methods are not deep
 - Layer1: kernels; layer2: linear
 - The first layer is "trained" in with the simplest unsupervised method ever devised: using the samples as templates for the kernel functions.
- Classification trees are not deep
 - No hierarchy of features. All decisions are made in the input space

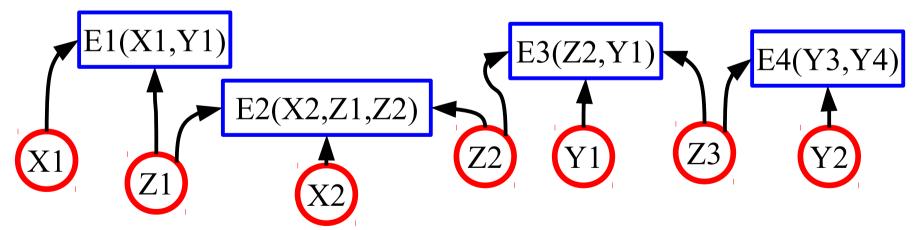




Are Graphical Models Deep?

- There is no opposition between graphical models and deep learning.
 - Many deep learning models are formulated as factor graphs
 - Some graphical models use deep architectures inside their factors
- Graphical models can be deep (but most are not).
- Factor Graph: sum of energy functions
 - Over inputs X, outputs Y and latent variables Z. Trainable parameters: W

$$-\log P(X, Y, Z/W) \propto E(X, Y, Z, W) = \sum_{i} E_{i}(X, Y, Z, W_{i})$$



- Each energy function can contain a deep network
- The whole factor graph can be seen as a deep network

Deep Learning: A Theoretician's Nightmare?

Deep Learning involves non-convex loss functions

- With non-convex losses, all bets are off
- Then again, every speech recognition system ever deployed has used non-convex optimization (GMMs are non convex).

But to some of us all "interesting" learning is non convex

- Convex learning is invariant to the order in which sample are presented (only depends on asymptotic sample frequencies).
- Human learning isn't like that: we learn simple concepts before complex ones. The order in which we learn things matter.

Deep Learning: A Theoretician's Nightmare?

No generalization bounds?

- Actually, the usual VC bounds apply: most deep learning systems have a finite VC dimension
- We don't have tighter bounds than that.
- But then again, how many bounds are tight enough to be useful for model selection?

It's hard to prove anything about deep learning systems

Then again, if we only study models for which we can prove things, we wouldn't have speech, handwriting, and visual object recognition systems today.

Deep Learning: A Theoretician's Paradise?

Deep Learning is about representing high-dimensional data

- There has to be interesting theoretical questions there
- What is the geometry of natural signals?
- Is there an equivalent of statistical learning theory for unsupervised learning?
- What are good criteria on which to base unsupervised learning?

Deep Learning Systems are a form of latent variable factor graph

- Internal representations can be viewed as latent variables to be inferred, and deep belief networks are a particular type of latent variable models.
- ▶ The most interesting deep belief nets have intractable loss functions: how do we get around that problem?

Lots of theory at the 2012 IPAM summer school on deep learning

Wright's parallel SGD methods, Mallat's "scattering transform", Osher's "split Bregman" methods for sparse modeling, Morton's "algebraic geometry of DBN",....

Deep Learning and Feature Learning Today

- Deep Learning has been the hottest topic in speech recognition in the last 2 years
 - A few long-standing performance records were broken with deep learning methods
 - Microsoft and Google have both deployed DL-based speech recognition system in their products
 - Microsoft, Google, IBM, Nuance, AT&T, and all the major academic and industrial players in speech recognition have projects on deep learning
 - Deep Learning is the hottest topic in Computer Vision
 - Feature engineering is the bread-and-butter of a large portion of the CV community, which creates some resistance to feature learning
 - But the record holders on ImageNet and Semantic Segmentation are convolutional nets
 - Deep Learning is becoming hot in Natural Language Processing
 - Deep Learning/Feature Learning in Applied Mathematics
 - The connection with Applied Math is through sparse coding, non-convex optimization, stochastic gradient algorithms, etc...



In Many Fields, Feature Learning Has Caused a Revolution (methods used in commercially deployed systems)

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- Speech Recognition I (late 1980s)
 - Trained mid-level features with Gaussian mixtures (2-layer classifier)
- Handwriting Recognition and OCR (late 1980s to mid 1990s)
 - Supervised convolutional nets operating on pixels
- Face & People Detection (early 1990s to mid 2000s)
 - Supervised convolutional nets operating on pixels (YLC 1994, 2004, Garcia 2004)
 - Haar features generation/selection (Viola-Jones 2001)
- Object Recognition I (mid-to-late 2000s: Ponce, Schmid, Yu, YLC....)
 - Trainable mid-level features (K-means or sparse coding)
- Low-Res Object Recognition: road signs, house numbers (early 2010's)
 - Supervised convolutional net operating on pixels
- Speech Recognition II (circa 2011)
 - Deep neural nets for acoustic modeling
- Object Recognition III, Semantic Labeling (2012, Hinton, YLC,...)
 - Supervised convolutional nets operating on pixels

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Boosting
Perceptron
AE

SVM RBM

Sparse GMM Coding

DecisionTree

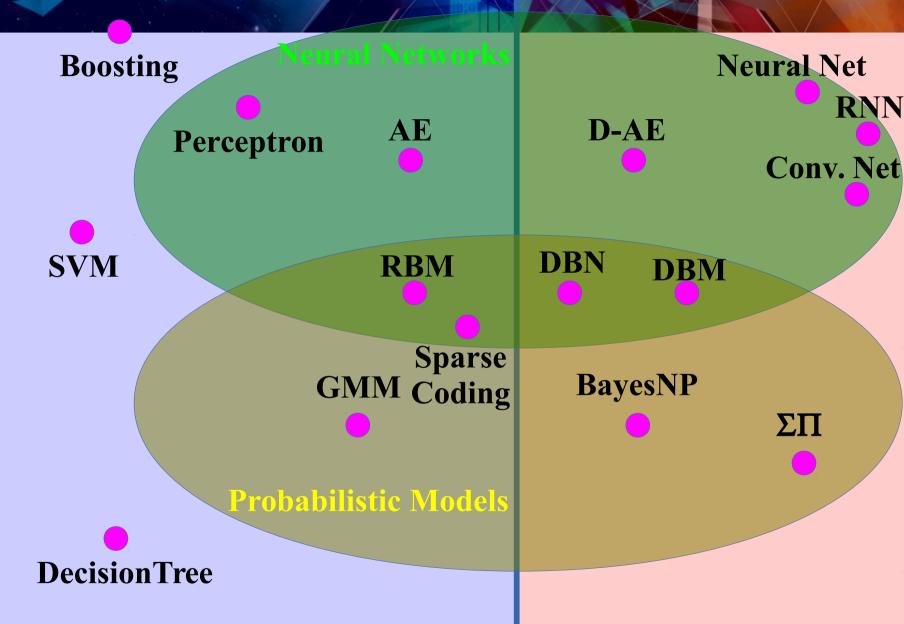


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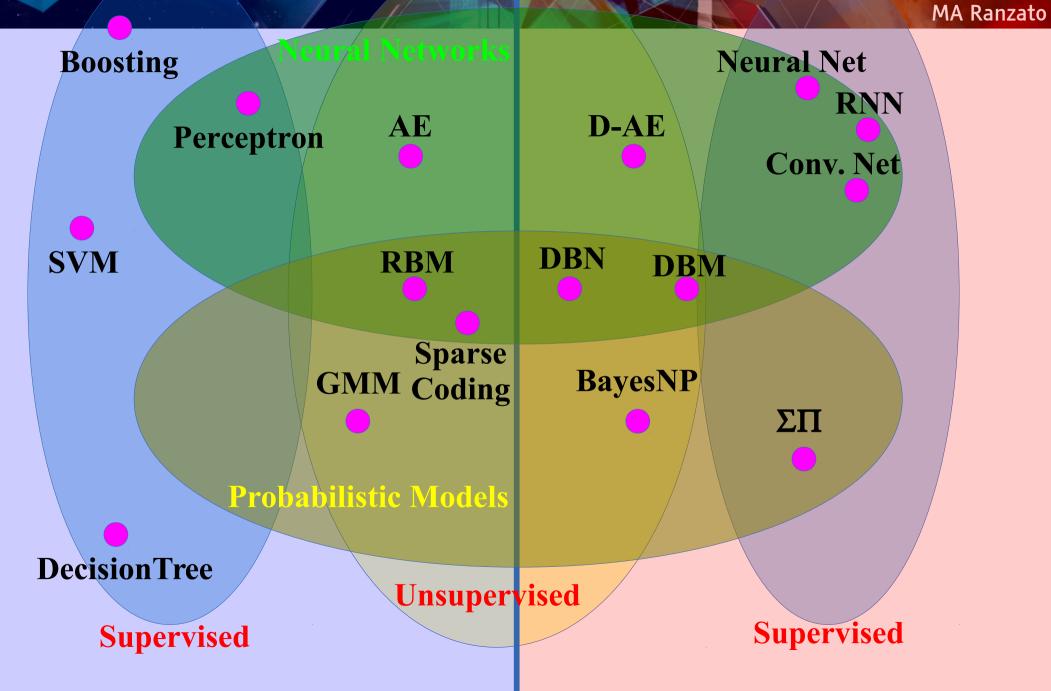
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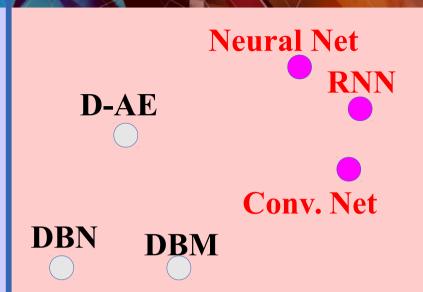
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Sparse GMM Coding

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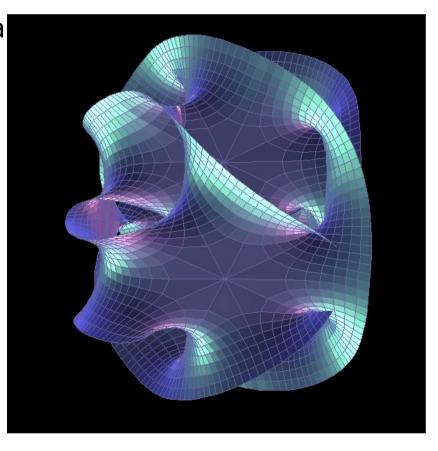
In this talk, we'll focus on the simplest and typically most effective methods.



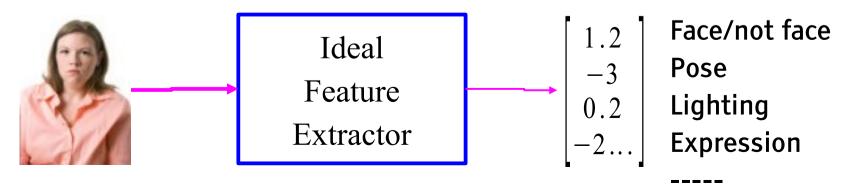
Discovering the Hidden Structure in High-Dimensional Data The manifold hypothesis

- Learning Representations of Data:
 - Discovering & disentangling the independent explanatory factors
- The Manifold Hypothesis:
 - Natural data lives in a low-dimensional (non-linear) manifold
 - Because variables in natural datal





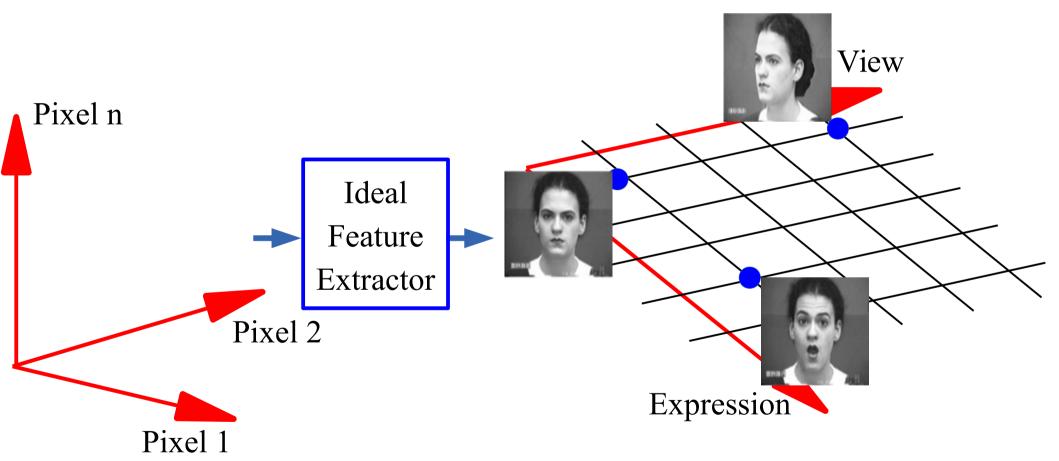
- Example: all face images of a person
 - ▶ 1000x1000 pixels = 1,000,000 dimensions
 - But the face has 3 cartesian coordinates and 3 Euler angles
 - And humans have less than about 50 muscles in the face
 - Hence the manifold of face images for a person has <56 dimensions</p>
- The perfect representations of a face image:
 - Its coordinates on the face manifold
 - Its coordinates away from the manifold
- We do not have good and general methods to learn functions that turns an image into this kind of representation





Disentangling factors of variation

The Ideal Disentangling Feature Extractor

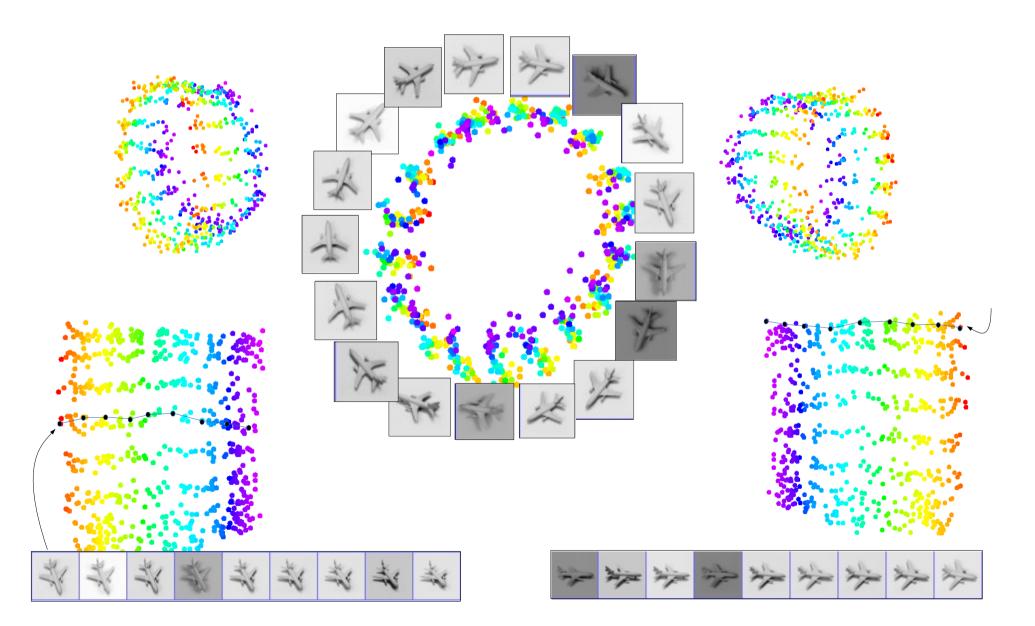




Data Manifold & Invariance: Some variations must be eliminated

Azimuth-Elevation manifold. Ignores lighting.

[Hadsell et al. CVPR 2006]

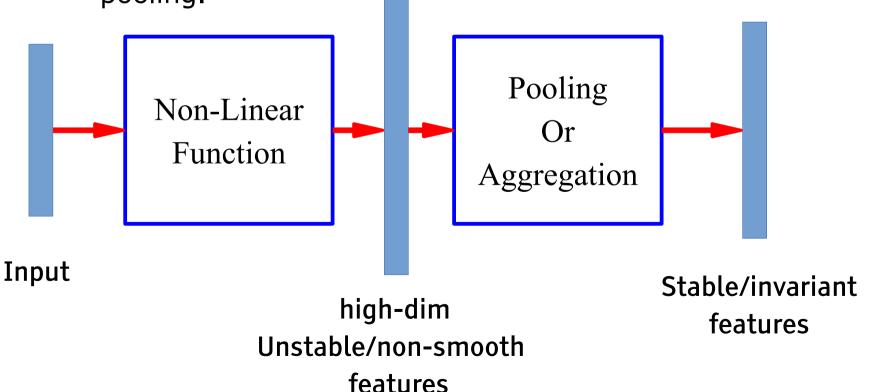




Basic Idea for Invariant Feature Learning

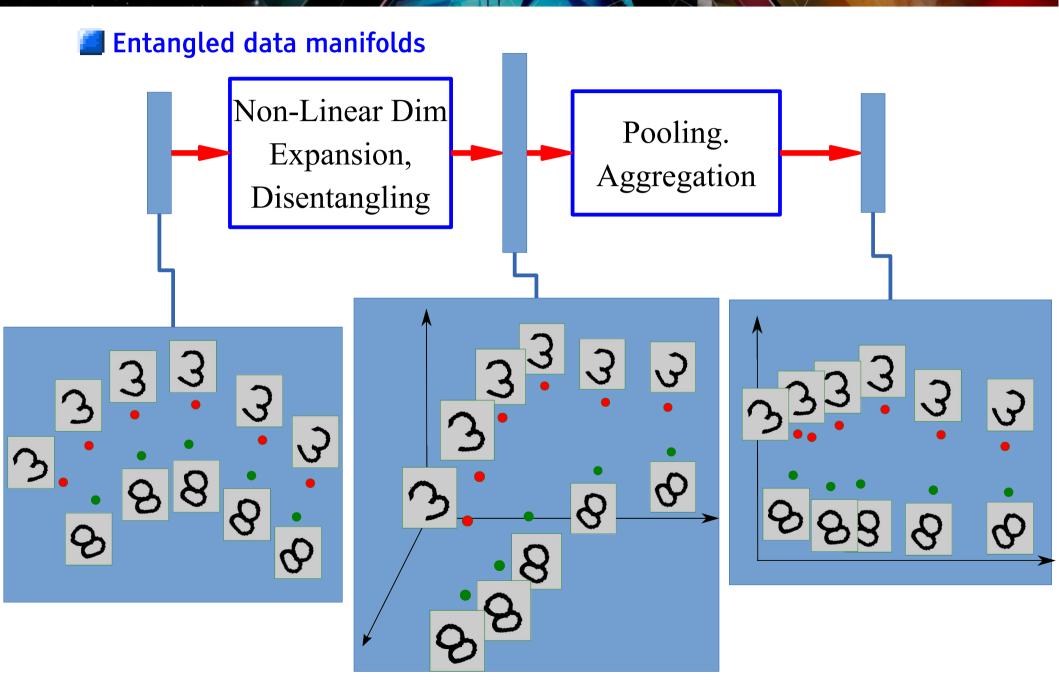
- Embed the input non-linearly into a high(er) dimensional space
 - ▶ In the new space, things that were non separable may become separable
- Pool regions of the new space together

Bringing together things that are semantically similar. Like pooling.





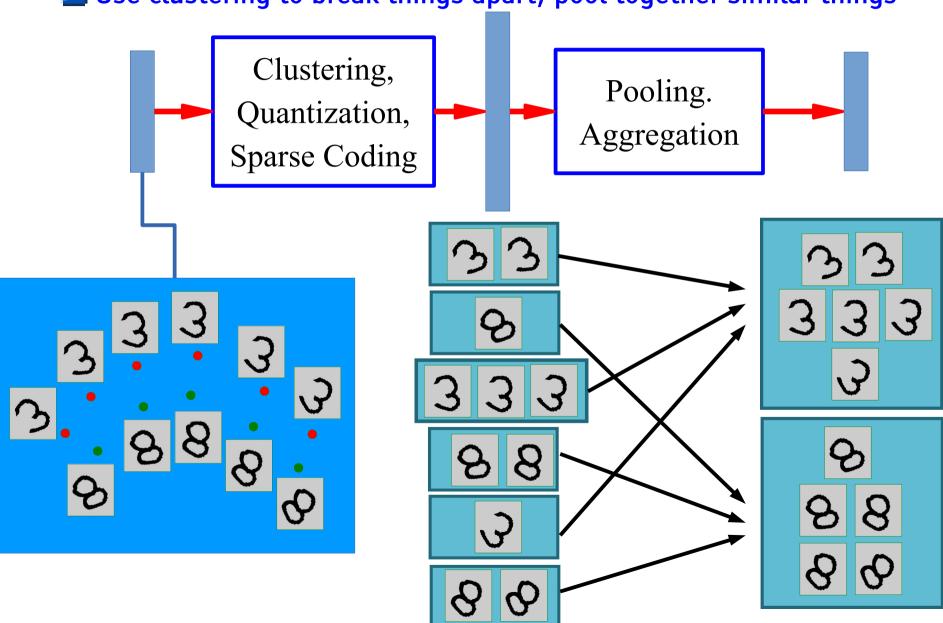
Non-Linear Expansion → Pooling





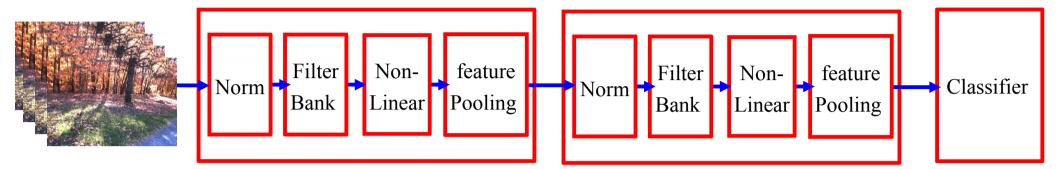


Use clustering to break things apart, pool together similar things





Normalization → Filter Bank → Non-Linearity → Pooling



- Stacking multiple stages of
 - Normalization → Filter Bank → Non-Linearity → Pooling].
- Normalization: variations on whitening
 - Subtractive: average removal, high pass filtering
 - Divisive: local contrast normalization, variance normalization
- Filter Bank: dimension expansion, projection on overcomplete basis
- Non-Linearity: sparsification, saturation, lateral inhibition....
 - Rectification (ReLU), Component-wise shrinkage, tanh, winner-takes-all
- Pooling: aggregation over space or feature type

$$X_i$$
; L_p : $\sqrt[p]{X_i^p}$; $PROB$: $\frac{1}{b} \log \left(\sum_i e^{bX_i} \right)$



SOFTWARE

Torch7: learning library that supports neural net training

- http://www.torch.ch
- http://code.cogbits.com/wiki/doku.php (tutorial with demos by C. Farabet)
- http://eblearn.sf.net (C++ Library with convnet support by P. Sermanet)

Python-based learning library (U. Montreal)

- http://deeplearning.net/software/theano/ (does automatic differentiation)

RNN

- www.fit.vutbr.cz/~imikolov/rnnlm (language modeling)
- http://sourceforge.net/apps/mediawiki/rnnl/index.php (LSTM)

CUDAMat & GNumpy

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