Identifying cell populations in single-cell data using Autoencoders

In the first exercise we will use Autoencoders to analyze a population of healthy bone marrow cells and perform dimensionality reduction to identify possible cell subtypes. We will learn to how to construct, configure, and fit Autoencoder networks, and experiment with adding complexity to the network so as to capture more information from the data.

We will also focus on visualizing and assessing the results after each experimentation, and explain how to pick the best possible network architecture.

Dataset description

We will use a public benchmark dataset from Levine et al., Cell 162, 184–197 (2015). The data consist of approximately 80,000 single cells, where the abundance of 13 cell surface markers was measured by mass cytometry. In this dataset the existing cell subpopulations are well-characterized by manual gating: through an iterative process of biaxial plotting, the single cells were assigned to different populations, available to us as prior knowledge (labels). Full paper and dataset description is available http://www.cell.com/cell/fulltext/S0092-8674(15)00637-6).

=> for each sample (single cell), relative abundance of a number of certain proteins

=> every dot = 1 cell

Load and preprocess raw data

We will use the <u>pandas (https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas)</u> data analysis library and some data preprocessing functions from <u>scikit-learn (http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/preprocessing.html#preprocessing</u>), the most well-established machine learning library in Python.

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In [1]: def reproduce(seed_number):
    import numpy as np
    import tensorflow as tf
    import random
    os.environ['PYTHONHASHSEED'] = '0'
    np.random.seed(seed_number)
    random.seed(seed_number)
    session_conf = tf.ConfigProto(intra_op_parallelism_threads=1, inter_
    op_parallelism_threads=1)
    from keras import backend as K
    tf.set_random_seed(seed_number)
    sess = tf.Session(graph=tf.get_default_graph(), config=session_conf)
    K.set_session(sess)
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In [5]: #let's start by importing the raw mass cytometry data
import pandas as pd
import os

#go to the location of the raw data file
datapath = '/sib_autumn_school/jupyter_root/data/'
os.chdir(datapath)
#read csv data as a pandas dataframe
data=pd.read_csv('test_data.csv', header=0)
cell_types=pd.read_csv('cell_types.csv', header=0)

#show dimensions of the dataframe
print(data.shape)

# for each single cell (>80000), we have abundance of 14 protein markers

(81075, 14)
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In [3]: #preview the first 5 rows of the dataframe
 data.head()

Out[3]:

	CD45	CD45RA	CD19	CD11b	CD4	CD8	CD34	CD20	CD33	CD123
0	3.1380	1.61860	0.52561	-0.104680	0.81136	1.740700	0.531370	-0.153810	4.2911	2.61520
1	3.4869	2.24780	0.30958	0.833400	1.55060	1.829000	-0.033018	0.290680	4.6720	1.53290
2	2.1455	0.79681	-0.11607	0.186250	0.52990	0.834880	0.734450	1.590900	4.4731	0.44348
3	4.3219	0.16702	-0.63914	-0.020982	1.81420	-0.094315	1.416300	-0.028213	4.2956	2.54640
4	2.6340	0.71486	-0.17389	-0.042410	0.45091	1.587900	0.731610	0.139230	4.1153	1.57990

In [6]: #preview the first 5 rows of the dataframe
 cell_types.head()
 # we will use the labels for validation

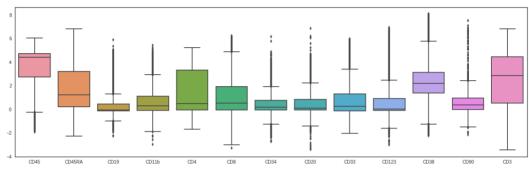
Out[6]:

	label	cell type name
0	1	CD11b- Monocyte
1	2	CD11bhi Monocyte
2	3	CD11bmid Monocyte
3	4	Erythroblast
4	5	HSC

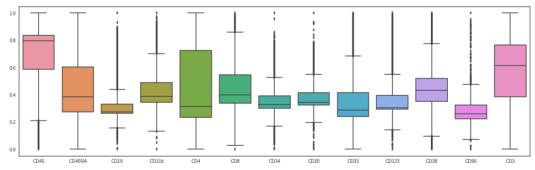
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In [7]: #get category of each single cell (last column)
    labels=data['category']
    #get names of protein markers
    markers=data.columns[:13]
    markers
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Next, we will visualize the data using two python libraries: <u>matplotlib (https://matplotlib.org)</u> and <u>seaborn</u> (https://seaborn.pydata.org/).

In [11]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import seaborn as sns sns.set_style('white') #plot a boxplot of all markers f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(20, 6)) sns.boxplot(data=data[markers]) plt.show() # the markers have different distribution # expressed in different dynamic regions -> something that we don't want # => need pre-processing !

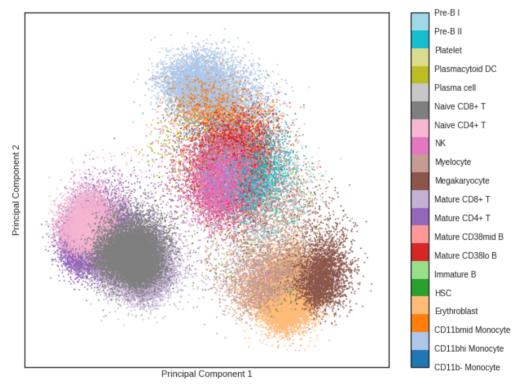


In [12]: from sklearn.preprocessing import MinMaxScaler #scale the data from 0 to 1 min_max_scaler = MinMaxScaler(feature_range=(0, 1), copy=True) data_norm = min_max_scaler.fit_transform(data.as_matrix(columns=data.columns[:13])) #verify scaling f, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(20, 6)) sns.boxplot(data=data_norm) plt.xticks(range(13),markers) plt.show()



We are interested to see if and what type of cell subpopulations exist in the data. Let's do a Principal Component Analysis first:

```
In [13]: from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
         #perform PCA transformation
         pca = PCA(n components=2)
         Y = pca.fit transform(data norm)
         #plot results
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
         ax = plt.scatter(Y[:, 0], Y[:, 1], s=2, c=labels, cmap="tab20")
         cbar = plt.colorbar(ax, ticks=range(21))
         cbar.ax.set yticklabels(cell types['cell type name'])
         ax.set_facecolor('white')
         plt.xticks([])
         plt.yticks([])
         plt.xlabel('Principal Component 1')
         plt.ylabel('Principal Component 2')
         plt.show()
         # each dot is 1 cell, color = type of the cell
         # with PCA, 4 blocks of cell types
```



Create, compile and fit autoencoder model

We will use Keras (https://keras.io/), a high-level neural networks API that runs on top of librares like TensorFlow or Theano.

```
In [16]: # standard ratio 70% train set

#split the data in training and testing sets
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

# x_ => the data, y_ => the labels [labels only needed for plotting]
    x_train, x_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(data_norm, labels, t
    est_size=0.3, random_state=10)
    print('The training data have',x_train.shape[0], 'rows and', x_train.sha
    pe[1], 'columns')
    print('The test data have',x_test.shape[0], 'rows and', x_test.shape[1],
    'columns')
```

The training data have 56752 rows and 13 columns The test data have 24323 rows and 13 columns

Function definitions for plotting results

```
In [17]: #plot original data, reconstructed data and residuals.
         def plot reconstruction(data norm, data dec):
             plt.figure(figsize=(30,20))
             plt.subplot(3, 1, 1)
             ax1 = plt.imshow(data_norm, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, v
         max=1)
             cbar = plt.colorbar(ax1)
             plt.title('Original data', fontsize=25)
             plt.subplot(3, 1, 2)
             ax2 = plt.imshow(data_dec, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, vm
             cbar = plt.colorbar(ax2)
             plt.title('Reconstruction', fontsize=25)
             plt.subplot(3, 1, 3)
             ax3 = plt.imshow(data_norm-data_dec, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto",
         vmin=-1, vmax=1)
             plt.gca().set_xticks(range(13))
             plt.gca().set_xticklabels(markers, fontsize=20)
             cbar = plt.colorbar(ax3)
             plt.title('Residuals', fontsize=25)
             plt.show()
         #plot training history
         def plot_history(autoencoder):
             fig = plt.figure(figsize=(6,4))
             plt.plot(autoencoder.history.history['loss'])
             plt.plot(autoencoder.history.history['val_loss'])
             plt.xlabel('Epochs')
             plt.ylabel('Loss function')
             plt.legend(['Loss','Validation loss'])
             plt.show()
         #plot reduced dimensions
         def plot encoded(x_train_encoded, y_train):
             fig = plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
             ax = plt.scatter(x_train_encoded[:, 0], x_train_encoded[:, 1], s=2,
         c=y_train, cmap="tab20")
             cbar = plt.colorbar(ax, ticks=range(21))
             cbar.ax.set_yticklabels(cell_types['cell type name'])
             ax.set_facecolor('white')
             plt.xticks([])
             plt.yticks([])
             plt.xlabel('Latent Dimension 1')
             plt.ylabel('Latent Dimension 2')
             plt.show()
```

Let's start with a simple autoencoder with only 1 hidden layer of 2 nodes:

```
In [18]: reproduce(10)
         #make necessary imports
         from keras.layers import Input, Dense
         from keras.models import Model
         #set dimensions of input and hidden layer
         input_dim = 13
         latent_dim = 2
         input data = Input(shape=(input dim,))
         #encode the input with a dense layer
         # dense = fully connected
         # -> first part encoding part, using a relu
         encoded = Dense(latent_dim, activation='relu')(input_data)
         \# -> 2nd part: take encoded and decoded
         # just give an output
         # sigmoid => ensure that the output will scale between 0 to 1
         # (we don't want sigmoid in 1st part: saturation of the gradient)
         # we have scaled data from 0 to 1 -> so we want that output ranges from
         # in the 2nd part, relu will not give meaningful data with respect to th
         e input data
         # -> squeeze output to same data range you have in the input
         #decode the encoded input to its reconstruction
         decoded = Dense(input_dim, activation='sigmoid')(encoded)
         # We have set the following neural network:
         # 13 parameters in the input, 2 latent dimensions
         # encode part: weight matrix=13*2 + 2 biases
         # decode part: 2*13 + 13 biases
         #autoencoder_1 maps the input to the output
         autoencoder 1 = Model(input data, decoded)
         #encoder_1 maps the input to the latent representation
         encoder_1 = Model(input_data, encoded)
         #decoder_1 maps the encoded input to its reconstruction
         encoded input = Input(shape=(latent_dim,))
         decoder layer = autoencoder 1.layers[-1]
         decoder = Model(encoded input, decoder layer(encoded input))
         # set here the optimization and cost function you want
         #compile the model and set the desired optimizer and loss function
         autoencoder_1.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mean_squared_error')
         # we will use the encoder: take input data and pass them to the encoder
         to see how
         # they look in lower dimension representation
```

Using TensorFlow backend.

How many parameters does the model have?

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In [19]: #visualize a summary of the network
    autoencoder_1.summary()

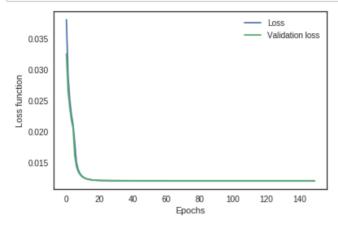
# how many connections as weights
# how many biases as nodes
# weights are much more numerous than the biases
# 13*2 + 2 + 2*13 + 13 = 67
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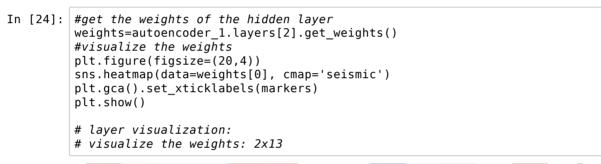
Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
input_1 (InputLayer)	(None, 13)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 2)	28
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 13)	39

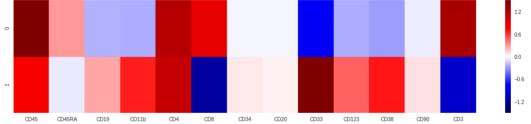
Total params: 67 Trainable params: 67 Non-trainable params: 0

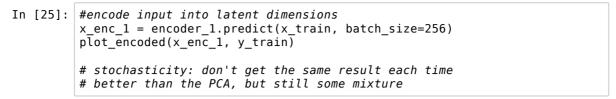
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Train on 56752 samples, validate on 24323 samples
Epoch 1/150
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 2/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 3/150
56752/56752 [=============] - 0s 6us/step - loss: 0.0120
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 4/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 5/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 6/150
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 7/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 8/150
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 9/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 10/150
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 11/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 12/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 13/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 14/150
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- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 15/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 16/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
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- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 18/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 19/150
- val loss: 0.0120
Epoch 20/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 21/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 22/150
- val_loss: 0.0120
Epoch 23/150
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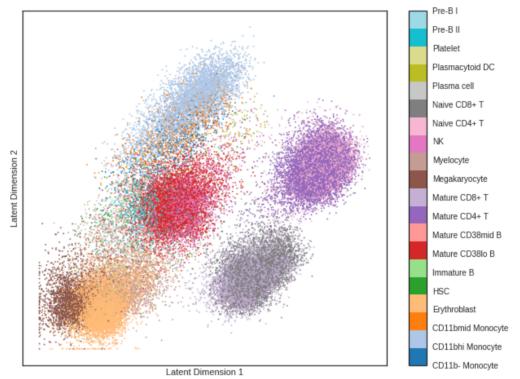
Out[23]: <keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f4ded3909e8>

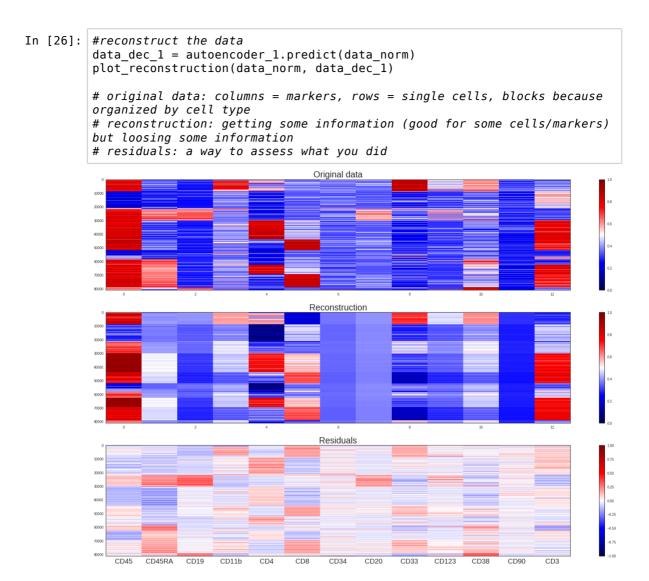












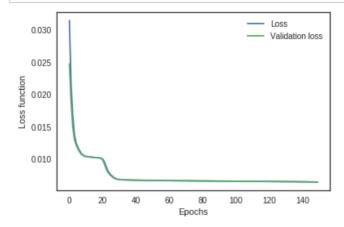
Now let's create a more complex network with 2 hidden layers:

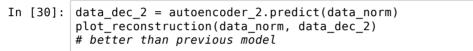
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In [27]: # add one hidden layer 13 -> 7 -> 2 -> 7 -> 13
         # break the initial by 2 in an additional layer
         reproduce(100)
         input dim = 13
         intermediate_dim = 7
         latent_dim = 2
         input_data = Input(shape=(input_dim,))
         encoded 1 = Dense(intermediate dim, activation='relu')(input data)
         encoded 2 = Dense(latent dim, activation='relu')(encoded 1)
         decoded_1 = Dense(intermediate_dim, activation='relu')(encoded_2)
         decoded_2 = Dense(input_dim, activation='sigmoid')(decoded_1)
         autoencoder 2 = Model(input data, decoded 2)
         encoder 2 = Model(input data, encoded 2)
         encoded_input_2 = Input(shape=(latent_dim,))
         decoder_layer_2 = autoencoder_2.layers[-1]
         decoder_2 = Model(encoded_input, decoder_layer(encoded_input))
         autoencoder_2.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mean_squared_error')
         autoencoder_2.summary()
         autoencoder_2.fit(x_train, x_train,
                         epochs=150,
                         batch_size=256,
                         shuffle=False,
                         validation_data=(x_test, x_test))
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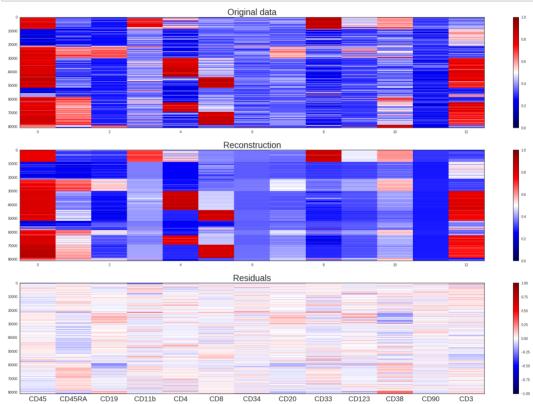
Layer (type)	Output	Shape		Param #	
input_3 (InputLayer)	(None,	13)		0	
dense_3 (Dense)	(None,	7)		98	
dense_4 (Dense)	(None,	2)		16	
dense_5 (Dense)	(None,	7)		21	
dense_6 (Dense)	(None,			104	
Total params: 239 Trainable params: 239 Non-trainable params: 0					
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56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss	: 0.0314
Epoch 2/150 56752/56752 [========]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0214
- val_loss: 0.0188 Epoch 3/150 56752/56752 [==========		======1	- As	7us/sten - loss	. 0 0167
- val_loss: 0.0149 Epoch 4/150				·	
56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	6us/step - loss	: 0.0137
Epoch 5/150 56752/56752 [====================================	======	-====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0124
Epoch 6/150 56752/56752 [========	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0118
- val_loss: 0.0115 Epoch 7/150		_			
56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	6us/step - loss	: 0.0113
Epoch 8/150 56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0108
Epoch 9/150 56752/56752 [========	======	======]	- 0s	6us/step - loss	: 0.0106
- val_loss: 0.0105 Epoch 10/150					
56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0104
Epoch 11/150 56752/56752 [========	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0103
- val_loss: 0.0103 Epoch 12/150		1	0.0	Zus/stan lass	. 0 0102
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56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0102
Epoch 14/150 56752/56752 [========	======	-====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0102
- val_loss: 0.0102 Epoch 15/150					0.0100
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56752/56752 [====================================	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0102
Epoch 17/150 56752/56752 [========	======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss	: 0.0101

Out[27]: <keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f4decfbdef0>

In [29]: plot_history(autoencoder_2)
elbow: local minima, get stuck somewhere, then can escape



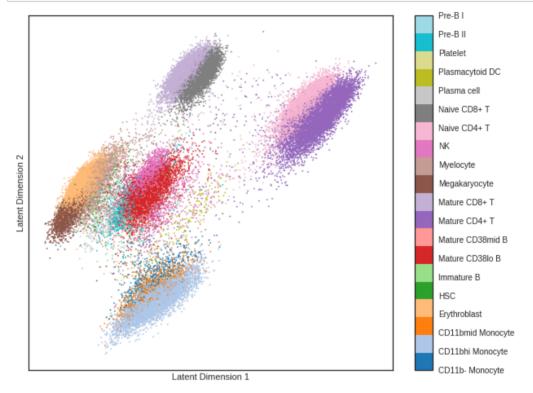




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In [32]: x_enc_2 = encoder_2.predict(x_train, batch_size=256)
plot_encoded(x_enc_2, y_train)

# now the CD8+ and CD4+ cells are split
# => we can better see the structure

# cell populations: very different size; there is also order within the cluster
# (e.g. along y-axis, separation by number of cells)
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Let's add one more layer to the network:

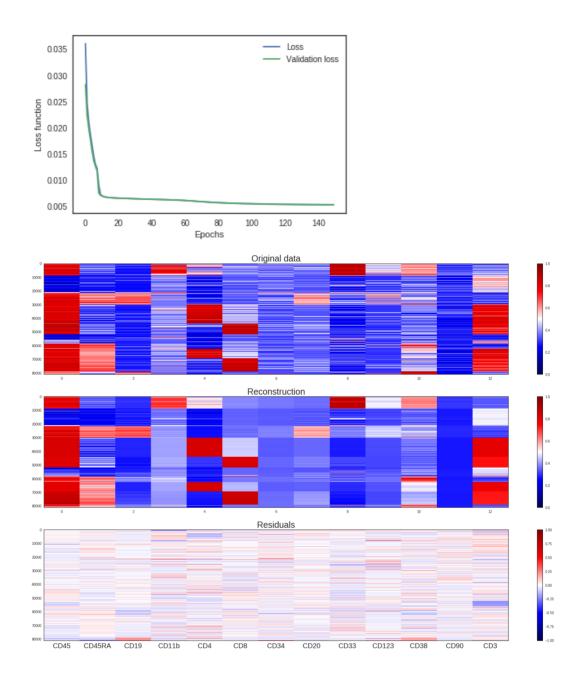
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In [33]: # more layer: 13->7->4->2->4->7->13
          reproduce(10)
          input dim = 13
          intermediate_1 = 7
          intermediate_2 = 4
          latent_dim = 2
          input_data = Input(shape=(input_dim,))
          encoded_1 = Dense(intermediate_1, activation='relu')(input_data)
          encoded 2 = Dense(intermediate 2, activation='relu')(encoded 1)
          encoded_3 = Dense(latent_dim, activation='relu')(encoded_2)
          decoded_1 = Dense(intermediate_2, activation='relu')(encoded_3)
          decoded_2 = Dense(intermediate_1, activation='relu')(decoded_1)
decoded_3 = Dense(input_dim, activation='sigmoid')(decoded_2)
          autoencoder_3 = Model(input_data, decoded_3)
          encoder_3 = Model(input_data, encoded_3)
          autoencoder_3.compile(optimizer='adam', loss='mean_squared_error')
autoencoder_3.summary()
          autoencoder_3.fit(x_train, x_train,
                            epochs=150,
                            batch_size=256,
                            shuffle=False,
                            validation_data=(x_test, x_test))
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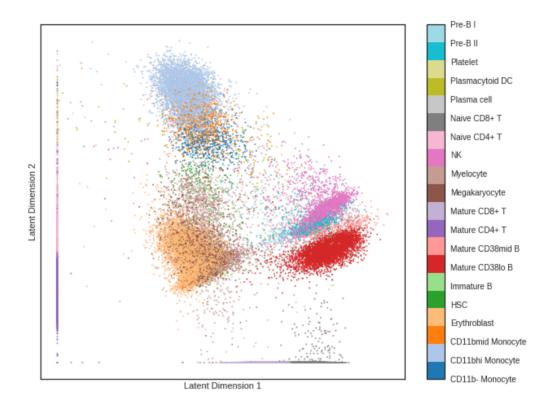
Layer (type)	Output S	Shape		Param #	
input_5 (InputLayer)	(None, 1	======================================	=====	0	
dense_7 (Dense)	(None, 7	7)		98	
dense_8 (Dense)	(None, 4	4)		32	
dense_9 (Dense)	(None, 2	2)		10	
dense_10 (Dense)	(None, 4	4)		12	
dense_11 (Dense)	(None, 7	7)		35	
dense_12 (Dense)	(None, 1	13)		104	
Total params: 291 Trainable params: 291 Non-trainable params: 0					
Train on 56752 samples, Epoch 1/150	validate on 2	24323 sam	ples		
56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 1s	9us/step - loss:	0.0360
Epoch 2/150 56752/56752 [====================================	=========]	- 0s	7us/step - loss:	0.0246
Epoch 3/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 1s	10us/step - loss	s: 0.021
Epoch 4/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 1s	11us/step - loss	s: 0.018
Epoch 5/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0165
Epoch 6/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========]	- 0s	7us/step - loss:	0.0145
Epoch 7/150 56752/56752 [====================================	=======	=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0130
Epoch 8/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0122
Epoch 9/150 56752/56752 [====================================	=======	=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss:	0.0091
Epoch 10/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 1s	9us/step - loss:	0.0072
Epoch 11/150 56752/56752 [====================================	========	=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0070
Epoch 12/150 56752/56752 [=======		=====]	- 0s	7us/step - loss:	0.0068
- val_loss: 0.0068 Epoch 13/150 56752/56752 [========		=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0067
- val_loss: 0.0067 Epoch 14/150 56752/56752 [========	=======]	- 0s	7us/step - loss:	0.0067
- val_loss: 0.0067 Epoch 15/150 56752/56752 [========	========	=====]	- 0s	8us/step - loss:	0.0066
- val_loss: 0.0066 Epoch 16/150		-	=	·	

Out[33]: <keras.callbacks.History at 0x7f4dec922240>

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In [34]: plot_history(autoencoder_3)
    data_dec_3 = autoencoder_3.predict(data_norm)
    plot_reconstruction(data_norm, data_dec_3)
    x_enc_3 = encoder_3.predict(x_train, batch_size=256)
    plot_encoded(x_enc_3, y_train)
    # => better !
    # small populations -> has seen less examples, will perform worse
    # (not many training examples to identify parameters of this population,
    so will not perform as well)

# some population: lines along the axes
    # before separable "cloud", became the lines,
    # in the previous classfiier, were separable by a line, easier to separa
    te them by a point
    # network collapse them into lines
    # same clusters than with the previous classifier
    # previous neurons enough for separate them
    # from classification point of a view, it is a good job
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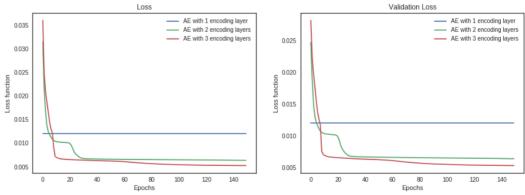




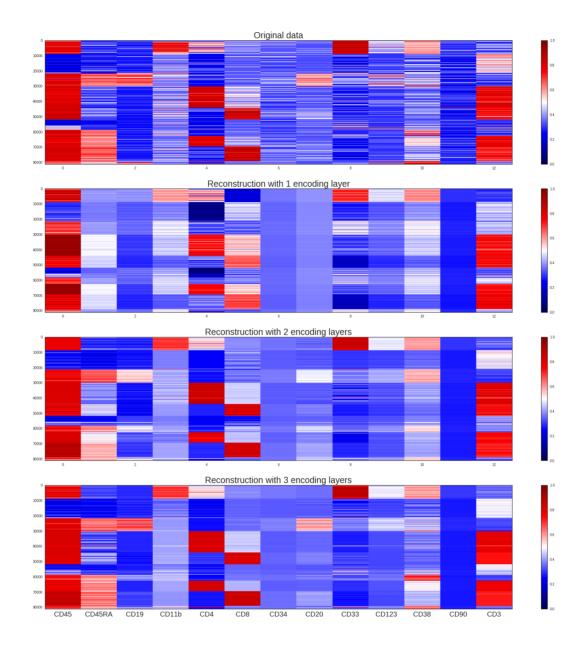
Summary

Let's summarize the results of the 3 autoencoders:

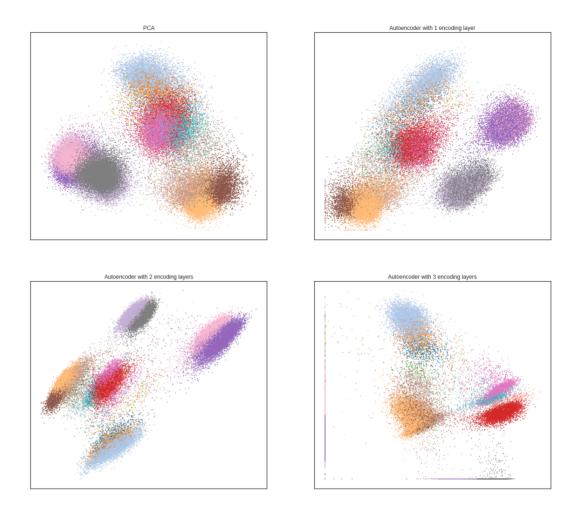
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In [35]:
         #compare plot history
         plt.figure(figsize=(15,5))
         plt.subplot(1, 2, 1)
         plt.plot(autoencoder_1.history.history['loss'])
         plt.plot(autoencoder_2.history.history['loss'])
         plt.plot(autoencoder_3.history.history['loss'])
         plt.title('Loss')
plt.xlabel('Epochs')
         plt.ylabel('Loss function')
         plt.legend(['AE with 1 encoding layer','AE with 2 encoding layers', 'AE
         with 3 encoding layers'])
         plt.subplot(1, 2, 2)
         plt.plot(autoencoder 1.history.history['val loss'])
         plt.plot(autoencoder 2.history.history['val loss'])
         plt.plot(autoencoder 3.history.history['val loss'])
         plt.title('Validation Loss')
         plt.xlabel('Epochs')
         plt.ylabel('Loss function')
         plt.legend(['AE with 1 encoding layer','AE with 2 encoding layers', 'AE
         with 3 encoding layers'])
         plt.show()
         # from the 1st -> 2nd very better
         # from 2nd -> 3d, start to be at the limit from what you can get, better
         but not very much better
         # if add layer => will become worse
         # when you visualize the weights, you will see identical weights,
         # e.g. because you don't need both, you will need only 1, you will have
         correlated weights
         \# also you will increase the complexity, but this will not improve the l
         # you can include cluster-specific distance to the cost function (but no
         t typical application of encoder)
         # but need to make hard assumptions (number of clusters not known in adv
         ance)
         # if you have believes about data, you can use it for defining loss func
         tion
```



```
In [36]: #compare reconstructions
         plt.figure(figsize=(30,30))
         plt.subplot(4, 1, 1)
         ax1 = plt.imshow(data norm, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, vmax=
         1)
         plt.title('Original data', fontsize=25)
         cbar = plt.colorbar(ax1)
         plt.subplot(4, 1, 2)
         ax2 = plt.imshow(data_dec_1, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, vmax
         cbar = plt.colorbar(ax2)
         plt.title('Reconstruction with 1 encoding layer', fontsize=25)
         plt.subplot(4, 1, 3)
         ax3 = plt.imshow(data dec 2, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, vmax
         =1)
         cbar = plt.colorbar(ax3)
         plt.title('Reconstruction with 2 encoding layers', fontsize=25)
         plt.subplot(4, 1, 4)
         ax4 = plt.imshow(data_dec_3, cmap="seismic", aspect="auto", vmin=0, vmax
         =1)
         plt.title('Reconstruction with 3 encoding layers', fontsize=25)
         plt.gca().set_xticks(range(13))
         plt.gca().set_xticklabels(markers, fontsize=20)
         cbar = plt.colorbar(ax4)
         plt.show()
```



```
In [38]:
         #Compare dimensionality reduction
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(20, 18))
         plt.subplot(2,2,1)
         ax = plt.scatter(Y[:, 0], Y[:, 1], s=2, c=labels, cmap="tab20")
         ax.set_facecolor('white')
         plt.title('PCA')
         plt.xticks([])
         plt.yticks([])
         plt.subplot(2,2,2)
         ax = plt.scatter(x_enc_1[:, 0], x_enc_1[:, 1], s=2, c=y_train, cmap="tab")
         20")
         ax.set facecolor('white')
         plt.title('Autoencoder with 1 encoding layer')
         plt.xticks([])
         plt.yticks([])
         plt.subplot(2,2,3)
         ax = plt.scatter(x_enc_2[:, 0], x_enc_2[:, 1], s=2, c=y_train, cmap="tab")
         20")
         ax.set_facecolor('white')
         plt.title('Autoencoder with 2 encoding layers')
         plt.xticks([])
         plt.yticks([])
         plt.subplot(2,2,4)
         ax = plt.scatter(x_enc_3[:, 0], x_enc_3[:, 1], s=2, c=y_train, cmap="tab")
         ax.set facecolor('white')
         plt.title('Autoencoder with 3 encoding layers')
         plt.xticks([])
         plt.yticks([])
         plt.show()
```



=> to choose, look also at the stability

in the 3 encoding layers -> more clusters

(even if population in lines, you can cut between them at some points)

Now let's use the best autoencoder to gain more insight on the populations:

```
In [39]:
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=(30, 25))
         for m in range(13):
             plt.subplot(4, 4, m+1)
             plt.scatter(x_enc_3[:, 0], x_enc_3[:, 1], s=1, c=x_train[:,m], cmap
         ="jet")
             plt.title(markers[m])
             plt.xticks([])
             plt.yticks([])
         plt.show()
         # plot expression of the markers labels are the intensities of each prot
         ein
         # understand what the network is learning and what are the populations
         (in normal situations,
         # you don't have the labels, e.g. you want to discriminate cancer vs. no
         rmal)
```