

# The Canonical Correlation Analysis Family

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# Generalized CCA Framework

For random variables  $X \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^q$ , we seek two transformations  $f : \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $g : \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\max_{f,g} \mathbb{E}[f(X)^T g(Y)]$$

$$\text{Subject to } \mathbb{E}[f(X)] = \mathbb{E}[g(Y)] = \mathbf{0},$$

$$\text{Cov}[f(X)] = \text{Cov}[g(Y)] = \mathbf{I}$$

with  $d \leq \min\{p, q\}$ .

Traditional CCA:  $f$  and  $g$  are linear.

# Traditional Nonlinear CCA

Estimating Optimal Transformation for Multiple Regression and Correlation

LEO BREIMAN and JEROME H. FRIEDMAN

Univariate Setting:

$$Y \in \mathbb{R}, f(X) = (f_1(X_1), \dots, f_p(X_p))$$

Alternating Conditional Expectations: nonlinear least square with objective function:

$$\mathcal{L}(f, g) = \frac{\mathbb{E}[g(Y) - \mathbf{1}^T f(X)]^2}{\mathbb{E}g^2(Y)}$$

# Traditional Nonlinear CCA

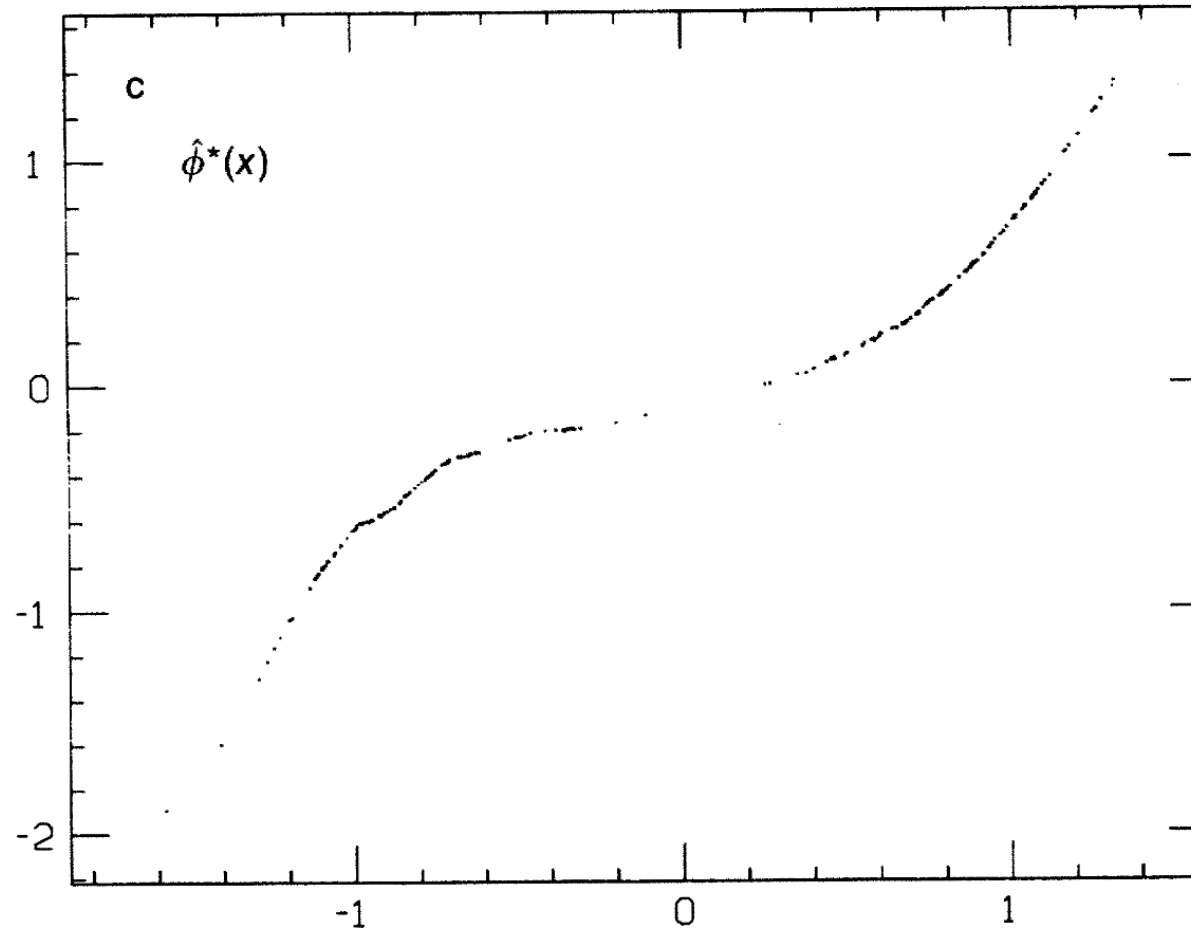
For any random variable  $X$  and  $Y$ , the best predictor for  $Y$  given  $X$  is  $\mathbb{E}[Y|X]$

Basic Algorithm (For illustration):

- Set  $g(Y) = Y / \|Y\|$
- Iterate until  $\mathcal{L}(f, g)$  fails to decrease;
  - $f(X) = \mathbb{E}[g(Y)|X]$
  - $g(Y) = \mathbb{E}[f(X)|Y]$
- End Iteration Loop

**Remark:** Smoothing is applied repeatedly throughout the algorithm.

# Traditional Nonlinear CCA



# Information-theoretic Compressed Representation

## Problem Formulation

Nonlinear Canonical Correlation Analysis: A Compressed Representation Approach  
2020; Amichai Painsky, Meir Feder, Naftali Tishby

Additional mutual information constraints:

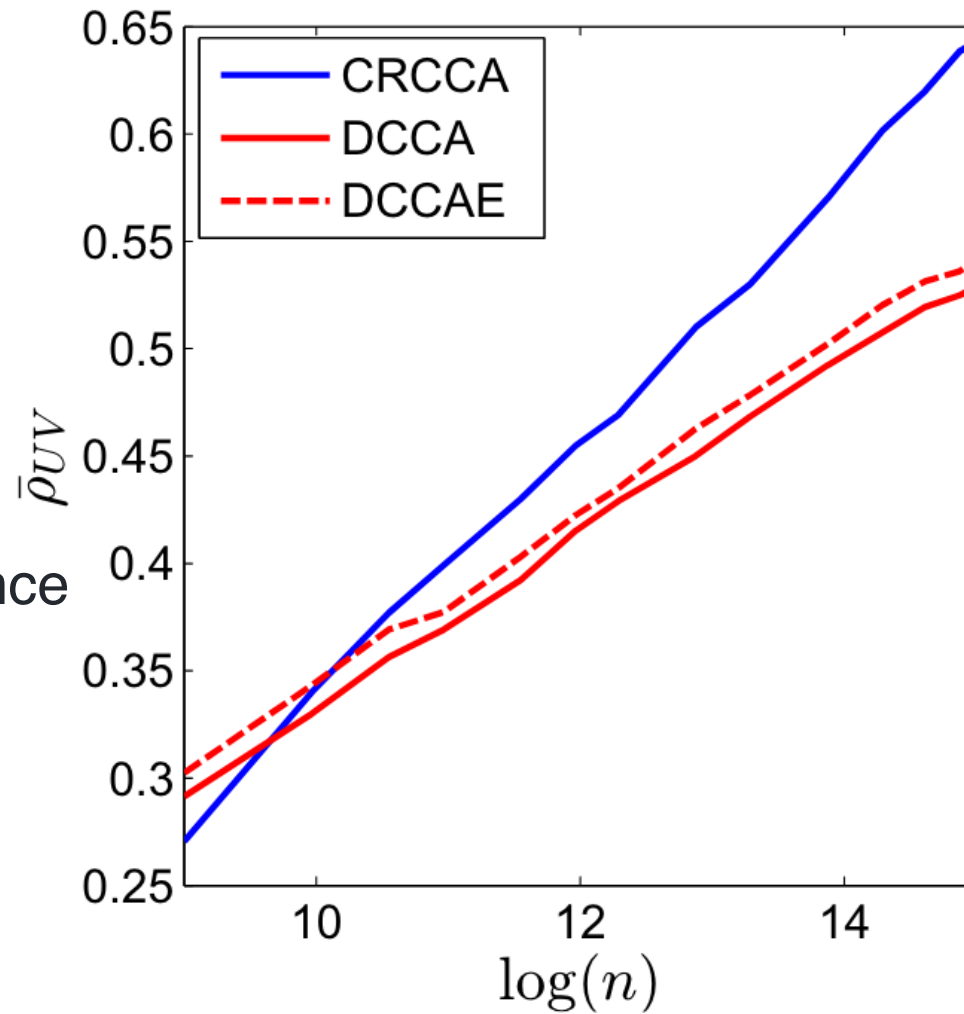
$$I(X, f(X)) \leq R_X, \quad I(Y, g(Y)) \leq R_Y$$

- $f$  and  $g$  are not required to be deterministic.
- $f(X)$  and  $g(Y)$  are also restricted to be compressed representations of  $X$  and  $Y$ .
- $R_X$  and  $R_Y$  define the amount of information preserved from the original vectors.

Mutual information constraint controls the generalization gap, and it can be viewed as a soft dimensionality reduction: restrict the level of information allowed to represent the data.

# Information-theoretic Compressed Representation

Comparison of  
generalization performance



# Kernel CCA

Kernel functions  $\kappa(\cdot, \cdot)$  can be expressed as an inner product in a representation space:

$$k(x, y) = \langle \phi(x), \phi(y) \rangle,$$

Kernel CCA is equivalent to conducting linear CCA on the representation space.

Let  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ ,  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$  be the data matrices,  $\kappa(\cdot, \cdot)$  be aspecified kernel function

- Sample version of Covariance matrix  $Cov(X) = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ ,  $Cov(Y) = \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y}$
- Let  $K_x$  and  $K_y$  be the kernel Gram matirces defined as  $(K_x)_{ij} = \kappa(x_i, x_j)$  and  $(K_y)_{ij} = \kappa(y_i, y_j)$

Find vectors  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  such that

$$\operatorname{argmax}_{\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^m} \alpha' \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{K}_y \beta$$

$$\text{subject to } \alpha' \mathbf{K}_x \mathbf{K}_x \alpha = \beta' \mathbf{K}_y \mathbf{K}_y \beta = 1$$



## Deep Canonical Correlation Analysis

2013 Galen Andrew, Raman Arora, Jeff Bilmes, Karen Livescu

Idea: Let  $f$  and  $g$  be neural networks.

- Initialize the parameters of each layer with a denoising autoencoder
  - Input data:  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,
  - Adding i.i.d zero-mean Gaussian noise to obtain distorted matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}$
  - Learn denoising auto encoder by minimizing reconstruction loss
- Updating parameters by maximizing correlation:

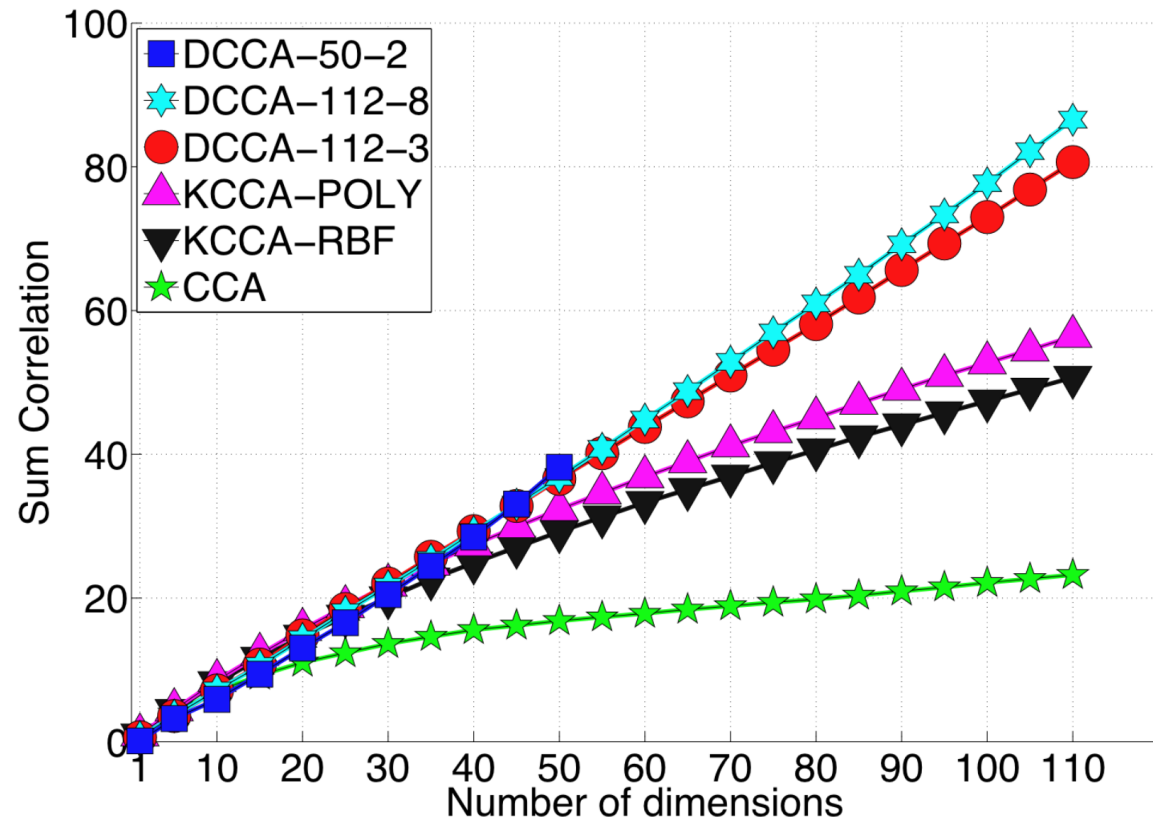
$$\max_{\theta_1, \theta_2} \text{corr}(f(X; \theta_1), g(Y; \theta_2))$$

## MNIST handwritten image

Each image is splited along the central axis to form two views.

	CCA	KCCA (RBF)	DCCA (50-2)
Dev	28.1	33.5	<b>39.4</b>
Test	28.0	33.0	<b>39.7</b>

## Wisconsin X-ray Microbeam Database



# Deep canonically correlated autoencoders

## On Deep Multi-View Representation Learning

Weiran Wang, Raman Arora, Karen Livescu, Jeff Bilmes

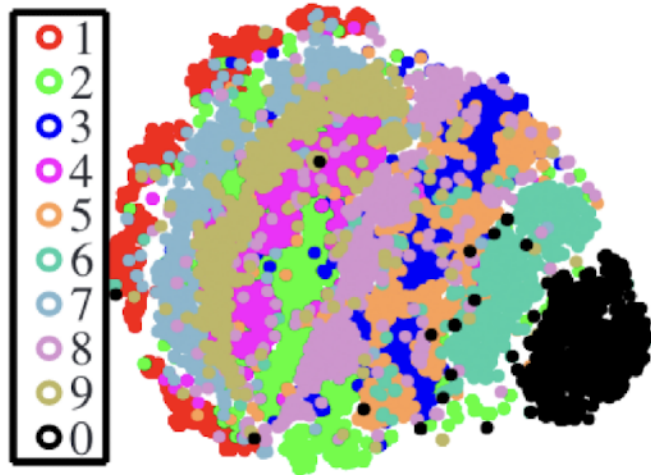
Two autoencoders, optimize the combination of canonical correlation and the reconstruction errors. For illustration, we write:

$$\min -\text{Corr}(f(X), g(Y)) + \frac{\lambda}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\|x_i - p(f(x_i))\|^2 + \|y_i - q(g(y_i))\|^2)$$

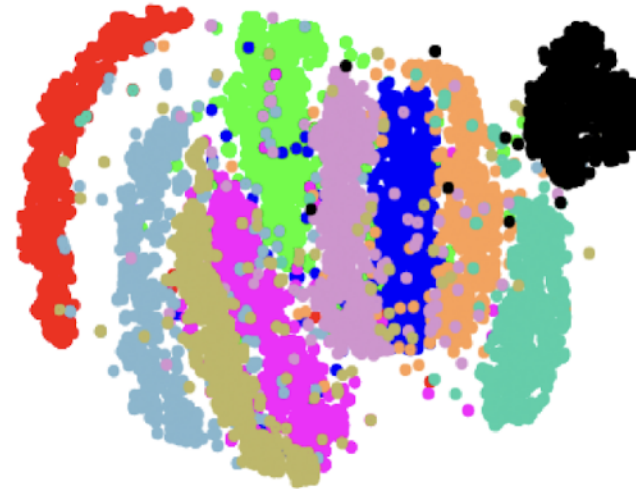
where  $p$  and  $q$  are decoders for  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively.

- CCA: maximizes the mutual information between the transformed views.
- Reconstruction error: maximizes the mutual information between inputs and learned features.

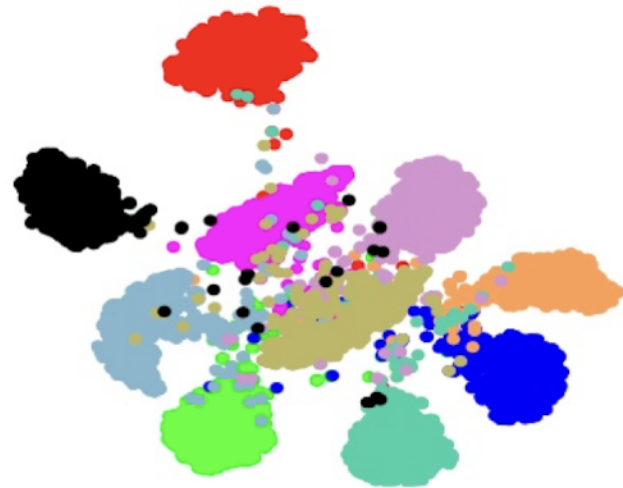
(a) Inputs



(c) SplitAE



(i) DCCA



(j) DCCAE



# Summary

- Linear CCA: Linear transformation.
- Nonlinear CCA: Conditional Expectation & Smoothing.
- Information Compressed CCA: constrain the level of information allowed to represent the data.
- Kernel CCA: use kernel function to seek for nonlinear representation
- Deep CCA: Use correlation as objective functions
- DCCAE: Combination of Deep CCA and autoencoders.