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Deep learning - motivation

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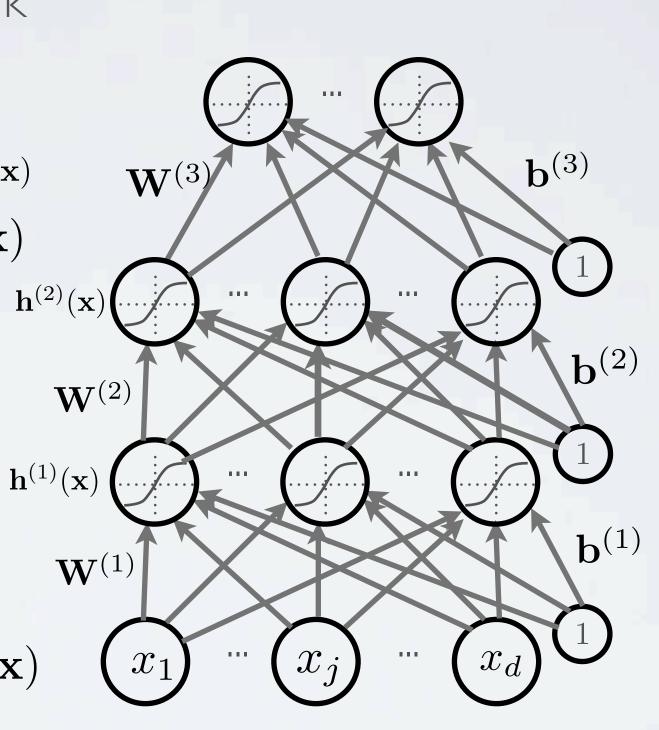
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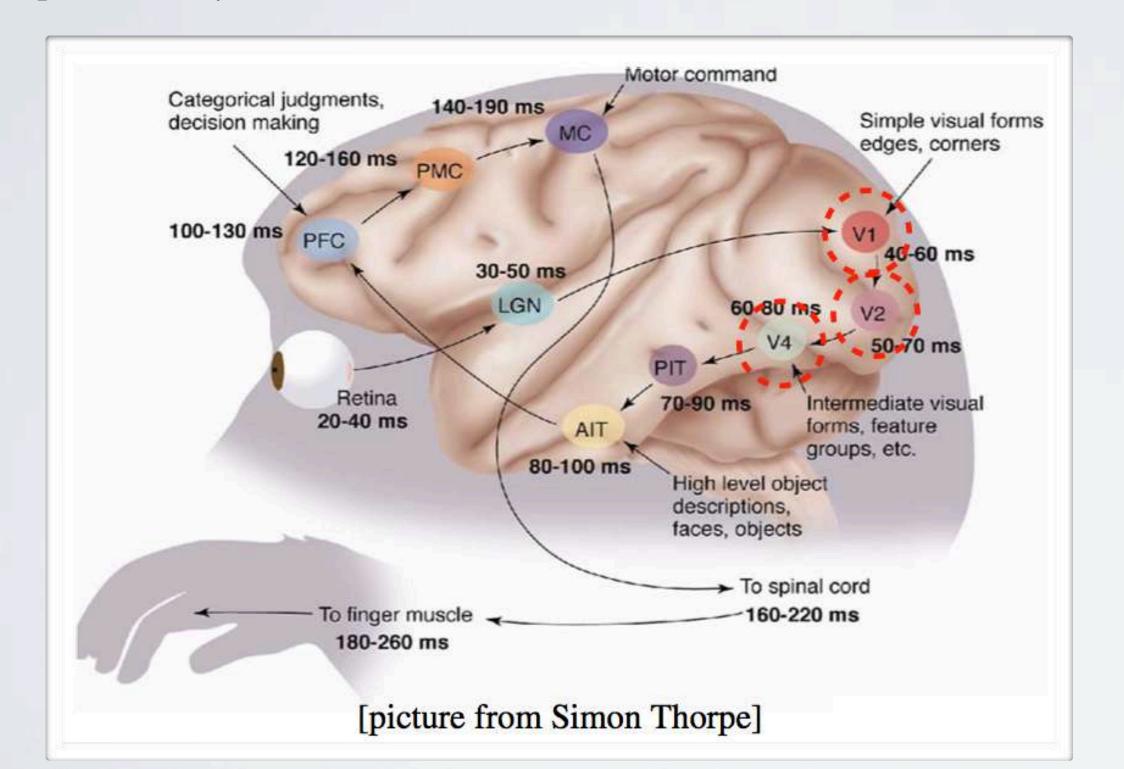
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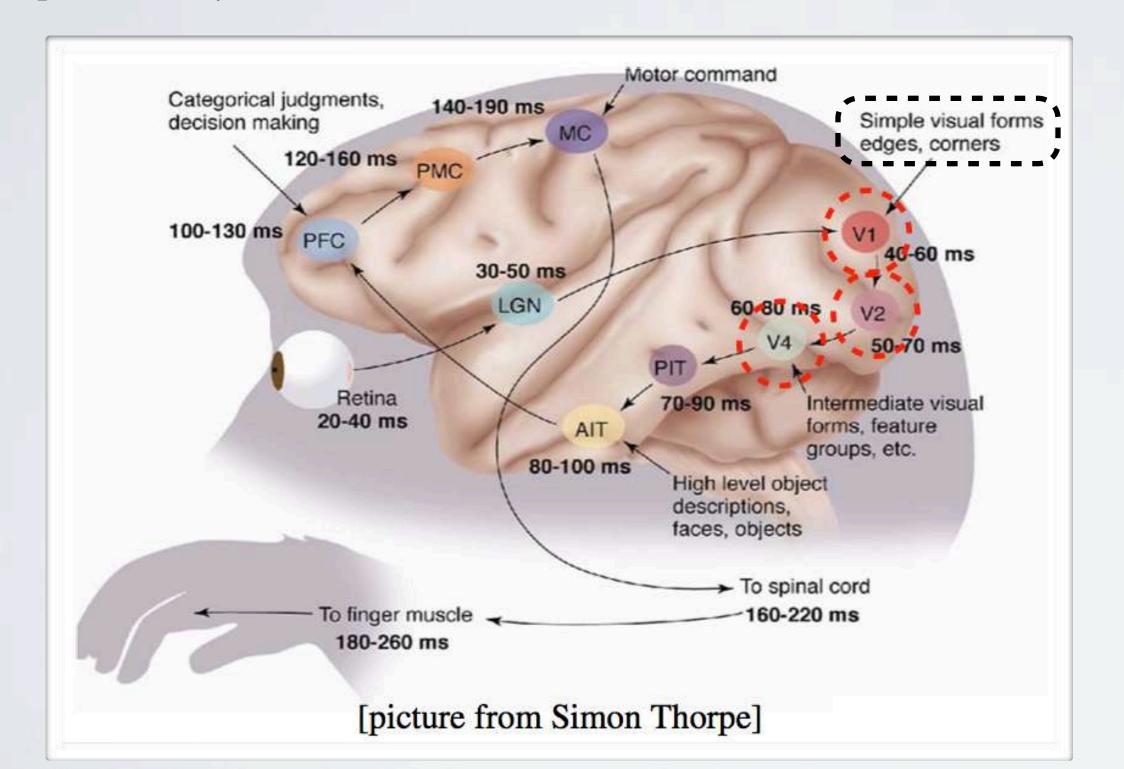
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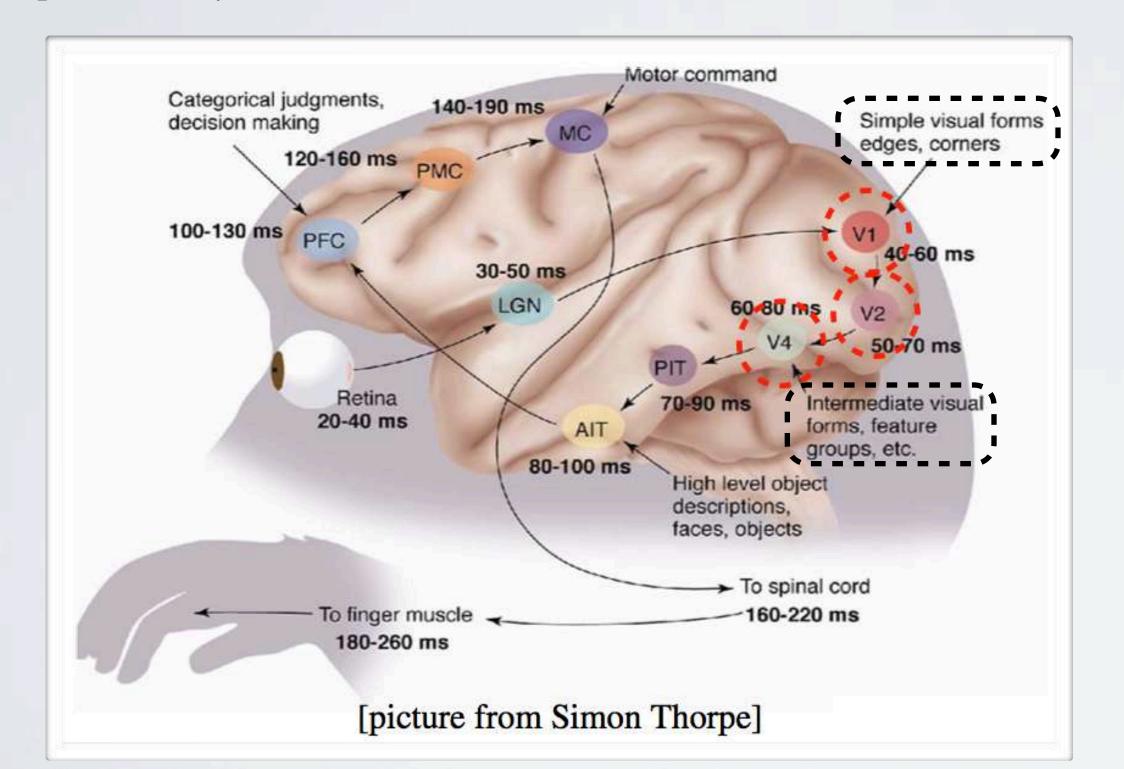


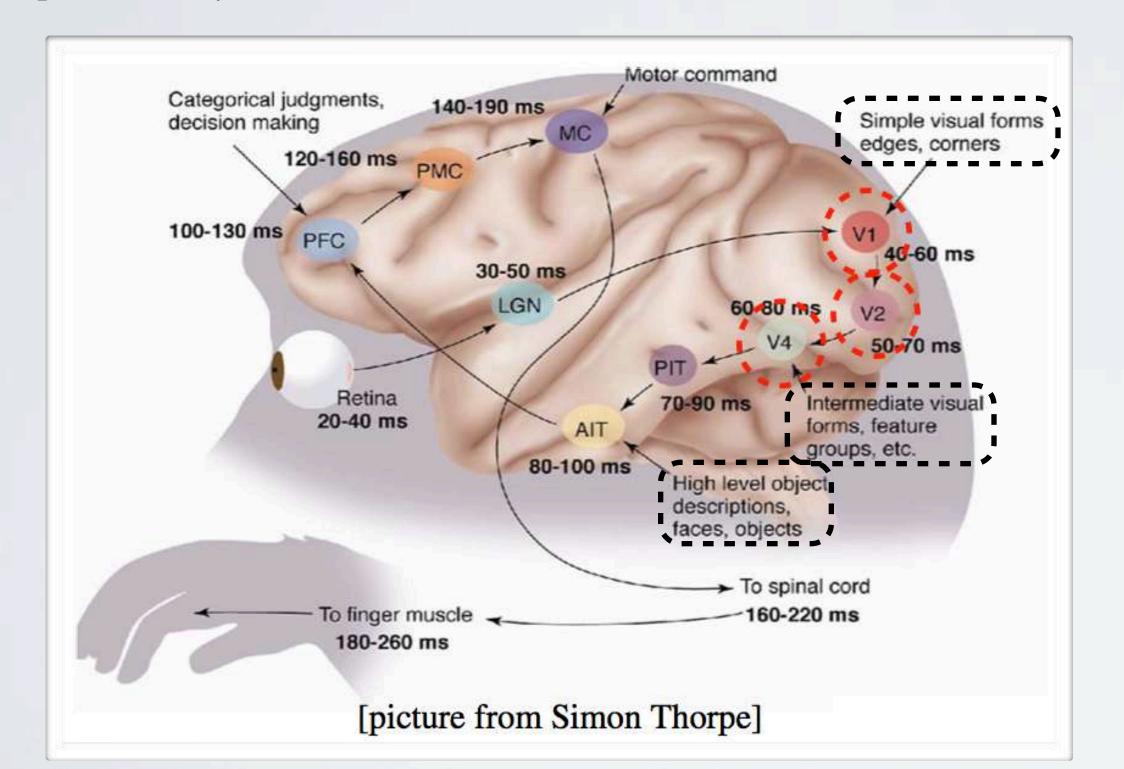
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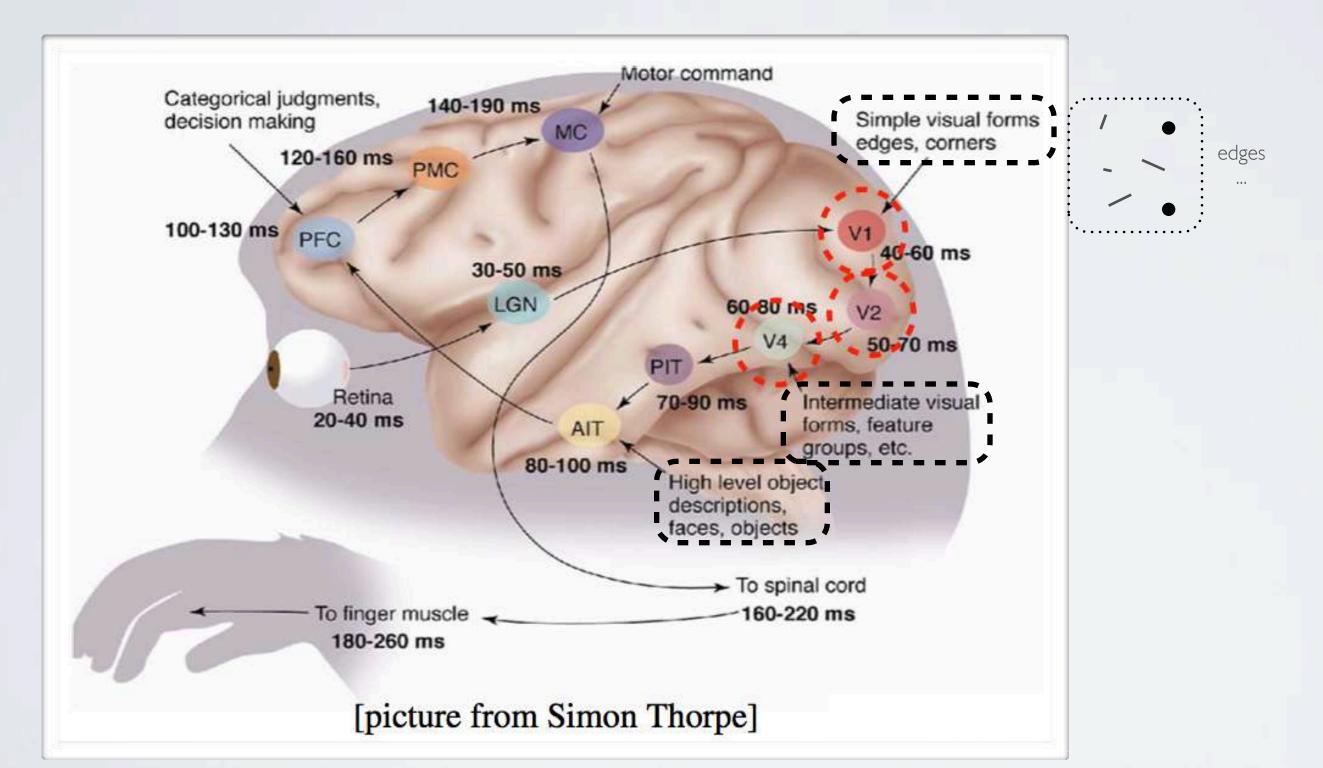
- Deep learning is research on learning models with multilayer representations
 - multilayer (feed-forward) neural network
 - multilayer graphical model (deep belief network, deep Boltzmann machine)
- · Each layer corresponds to a "distributed representation"
 - units in layer are not mutually exclusive
 - each unit is a separate feature of the input
 - two units can be "active" at the same time
 - they do not correspond to a partitioning (clustering) of the inputs
 - in clustering, an input can only belong to a single cluster

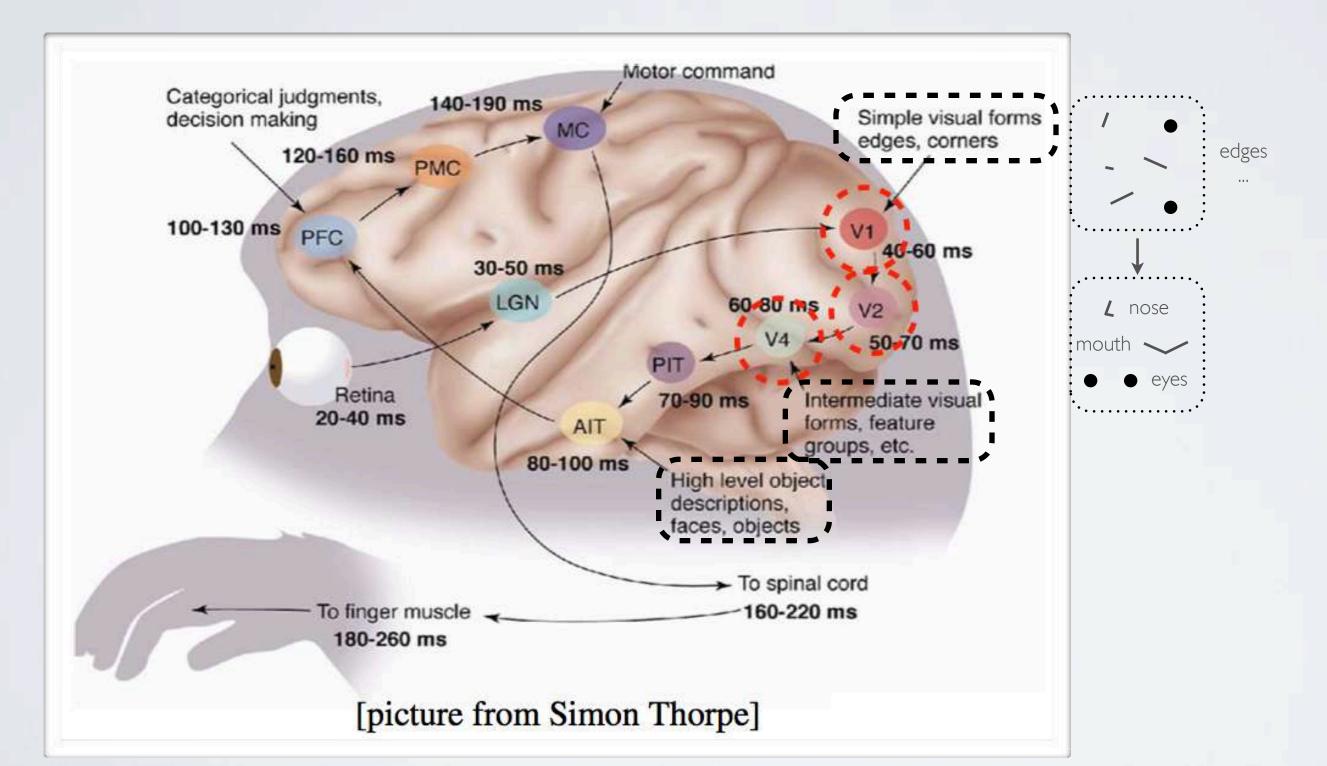


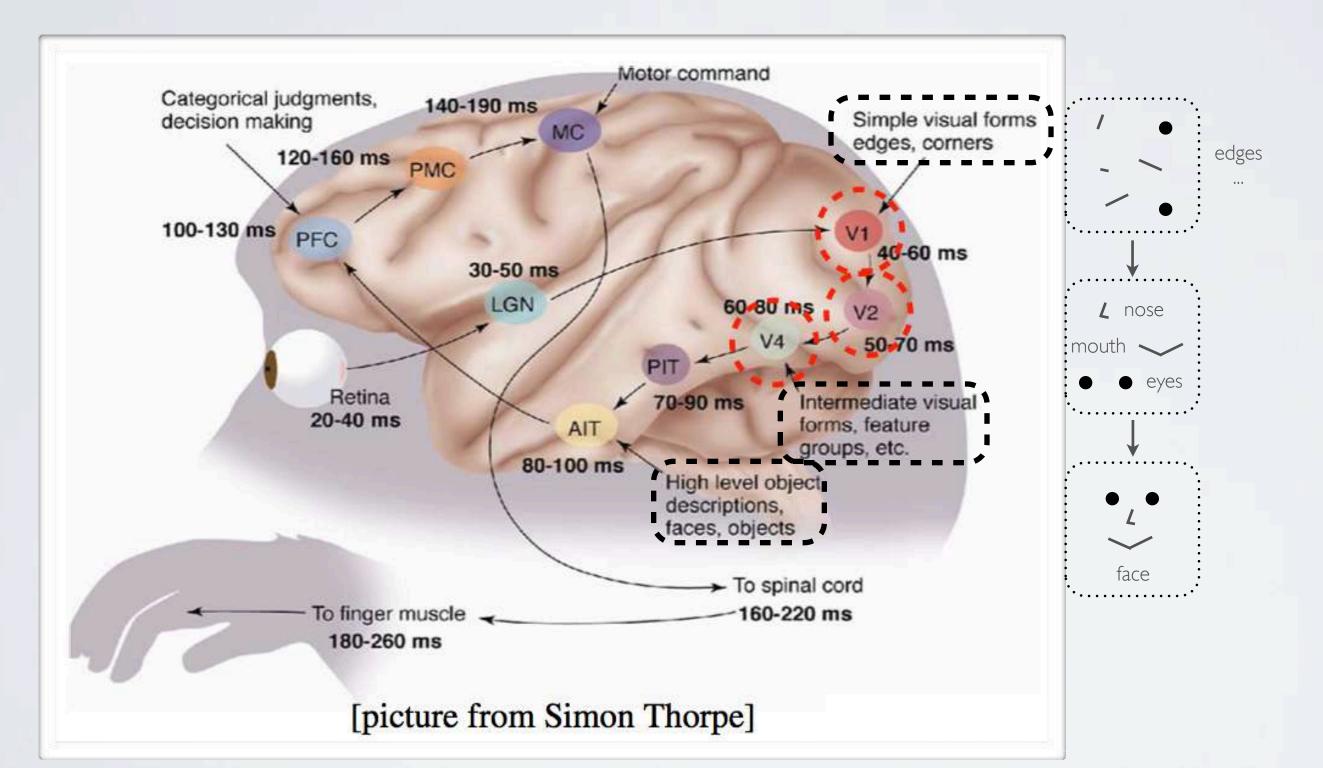








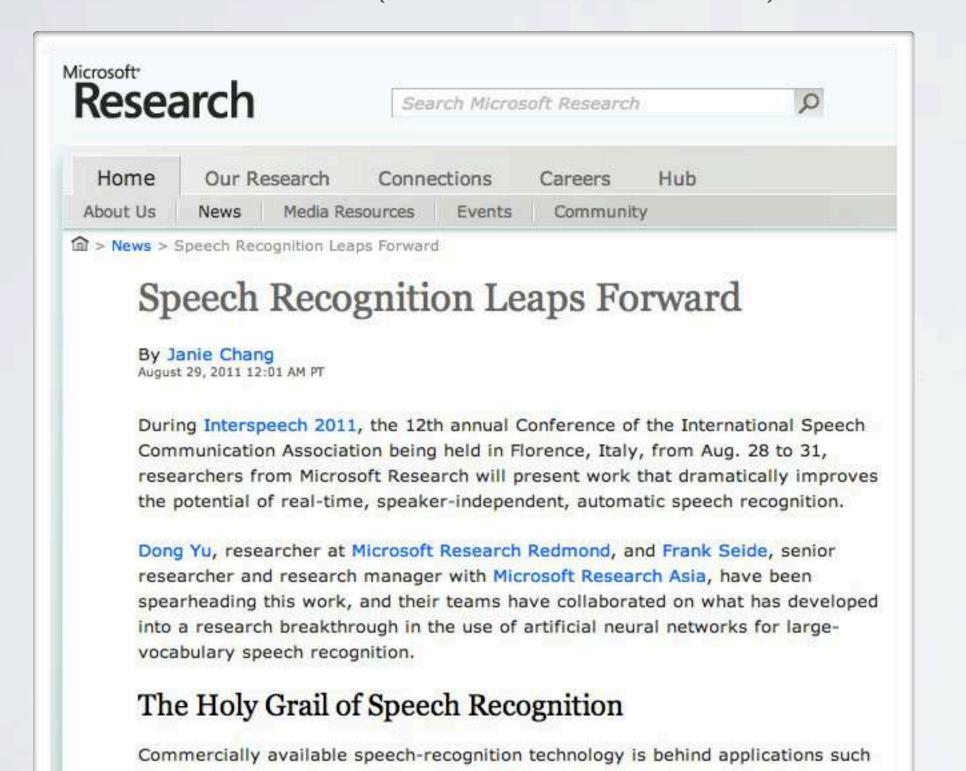




Topics: theoretical justification

- A deep architecture can represent certain functions (exponentially) more compactly
- Example: Boolean functions
 - ▶ a Boolean circuit is a sort of feed-forward network where hidden units are logic gates (i.e. AND, OR or NOT functions of their arguments)
 - > any Boolean function can be represented by a "single hidden layer" Boolean circuit
 - however, it might require an exponential number of hidden units
 - it can be shown that there are Boolean functions which
 - require an exponential number of hidden units in the single layer case
 - require a polynomial number of hidden units if we can adapt the number of layers
 - ▶ See "Exploring Strategies for Training Deep Neural Networks" for a discussion

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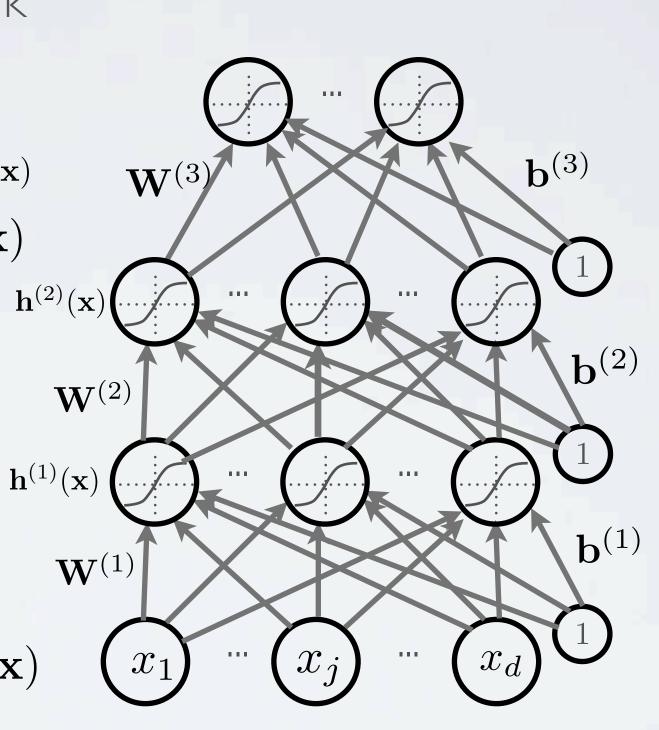
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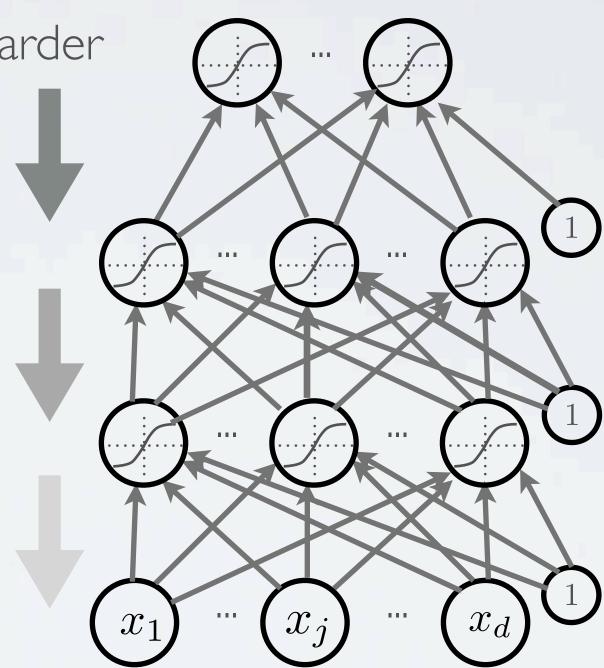


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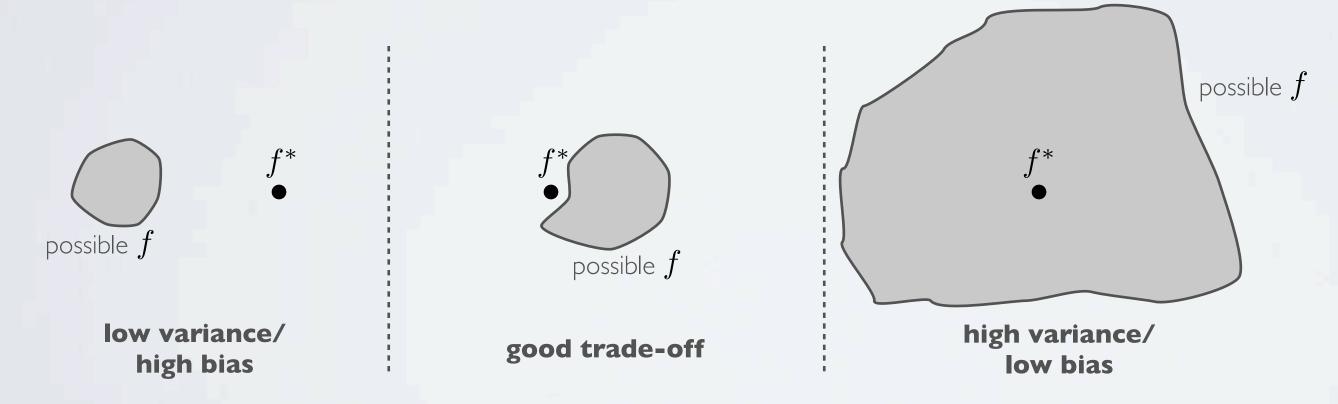
- vanishing gradient problem
- saturated units block gradient propagation

 This is a well known problem in recurrent neural networks



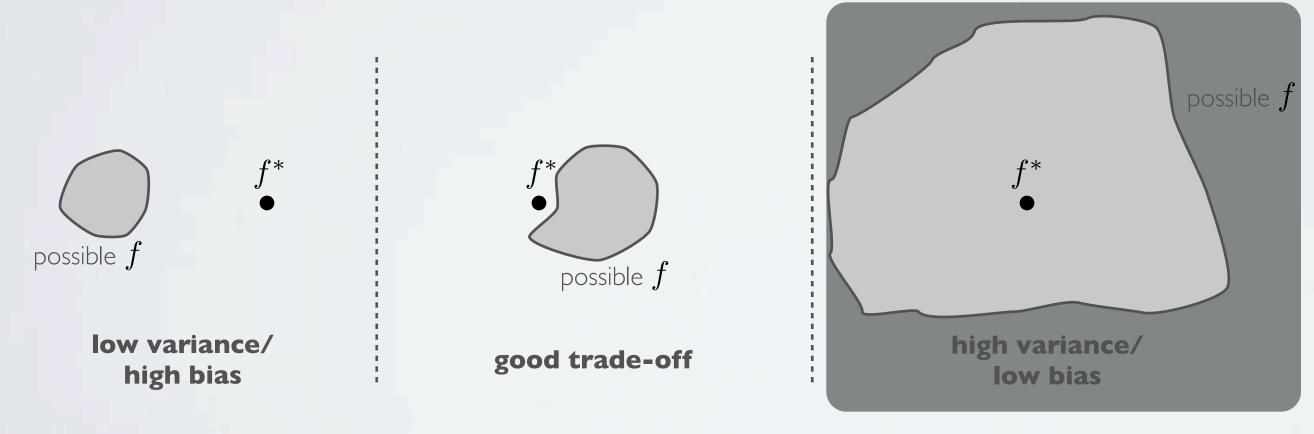
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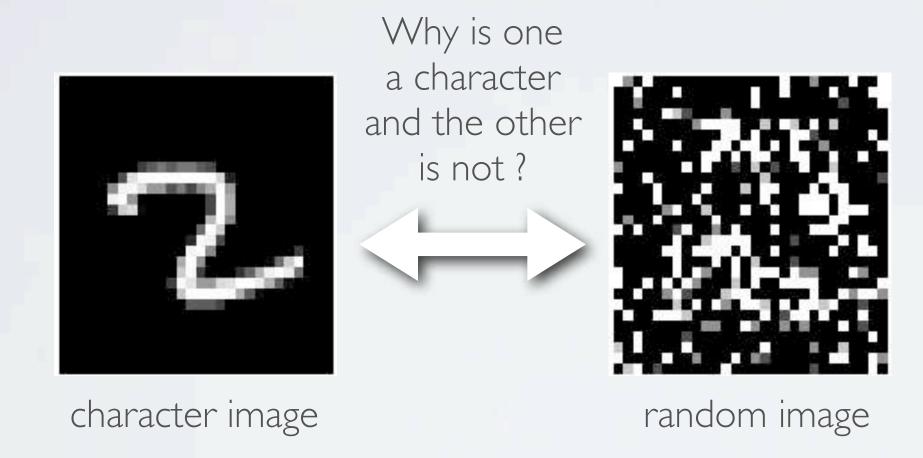


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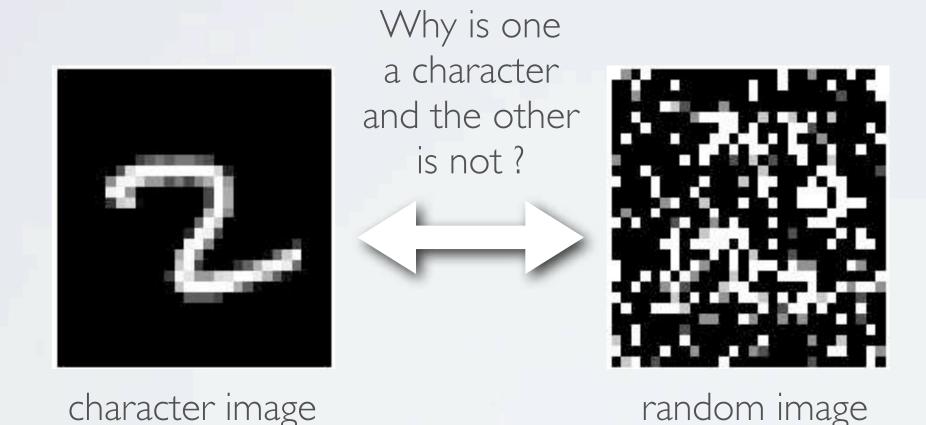
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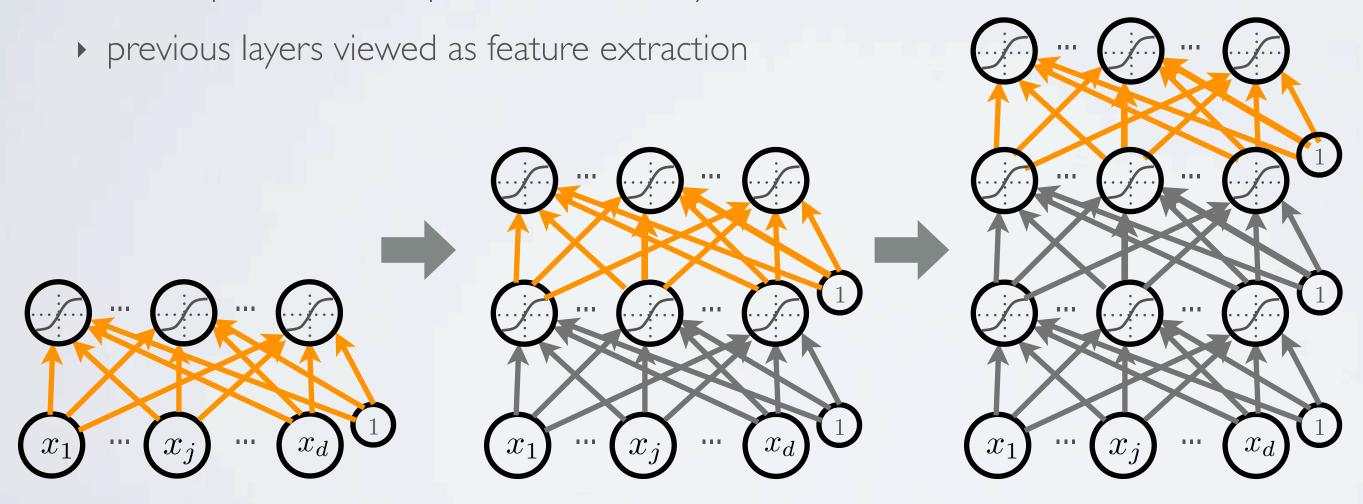
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 - this is a harder task than supervised learning (classification)



hence we expect less overfitting

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- · We will use a greedy, layer-wise procedure
 - train one layer at a time, from first to last, with unsupervised criterion
 - fix the parameters of previous hidden layers



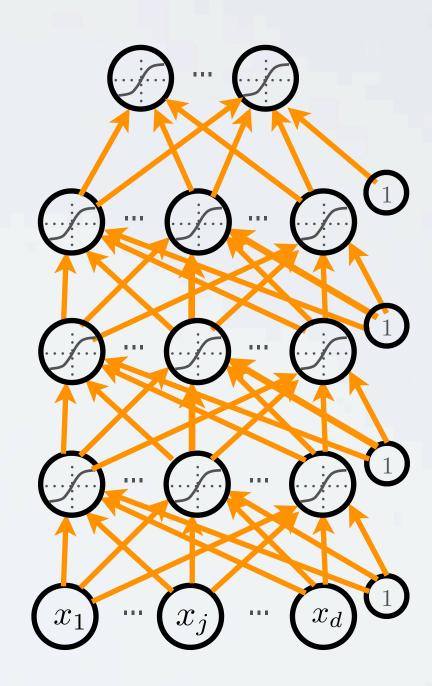
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- · We call this procedure unsupervised pre-training
 - first layer: find hidden unit features that are more common in training inputs than in random inputs
 - > second layer: find combinations of hidden unit features that are more common than random hidden unit features
 - third layer: find combinations of combinations of ...
 - etc.
- Pre-training initializes the parameters in a region such that the near local optima overfit less the data

FINE-TUNING

Topics: fine-tuning

- Once all layers are pre-trained
 - add output layer
 - train the whole network using supervised learning
- Supervised learning is performed as in a regular feed-forward network
 - forward propagation, backpropagation and update
- We call this last phase fine-tuning
 - ▶ all parameters are "tuned" for the supervised task at hand
 - representation is adjusted to be more discriminative



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- Stacked restricted Boltzmann machines:
 - Hinton, Teh and Osindero suggested this procedure with RBMs
 - A fast learning algorithm for deep belief nets. Hinton, Teh, Osindero., 2006.
 - To recognize shapes, first learn to generate images. Hinton, 2006.
- Stacked autoencoders:
 - Bengio, Lamblin, Popovici and Larochelle studied and generalized the procedure to autoencoders
 - Greedy Layer-Wise Training of Deep Networks. Bengio, Lamblin, Popovici and Larochelle, 2007.
 - Ranzato, Poultney, Chopra and LeCun also generalized it to sparse autoencoders
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- Stacked denoising autoencoders:
 - proposed by Vincent, Larochelle, Bengio and Manzagol
 - Extracting and Composing Robust Features with Denoising Autoencoders, Vincent, Larochelle, Bengio and Manzagol, 2008.

And more:

- stacked semi-supervised embeddings
 - Deep Learning via Semi-Supervised Embedding. Weston, Ratle and Collobert, 2008.
- stacked kernel PCA
 - Kernel Methods for Deep Learning. Cho and Saul, 2009.
- stacked independent subspace analysis
 - Learning hierarchical invariant spatio-temporal features for action recognition with independent subspace analysis.

 Le, Zou, Yeung and Ng, 2011.

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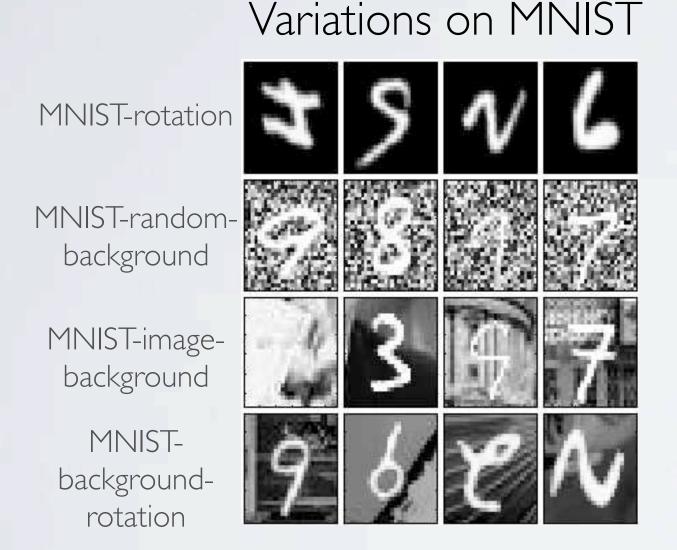
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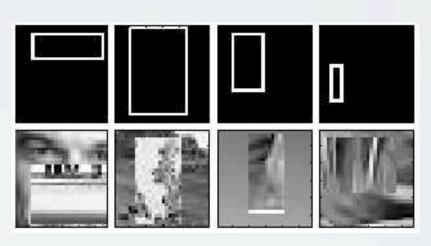
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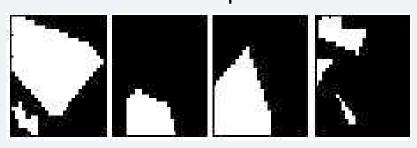
• Datasets generated with varying number of factors of variations



Tall or wide?



Convex shape or not?

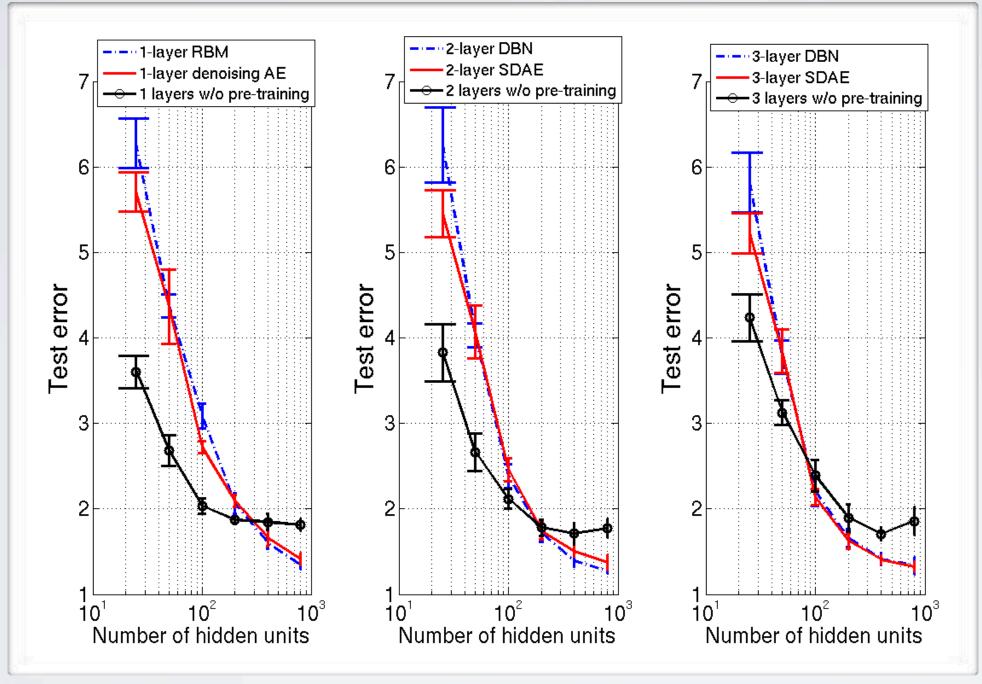


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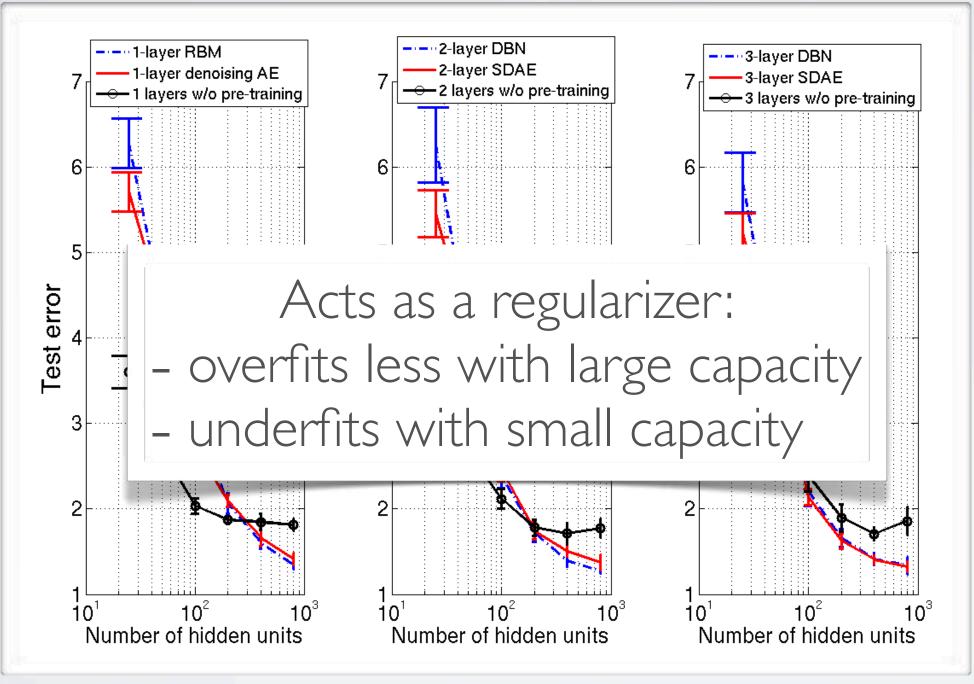
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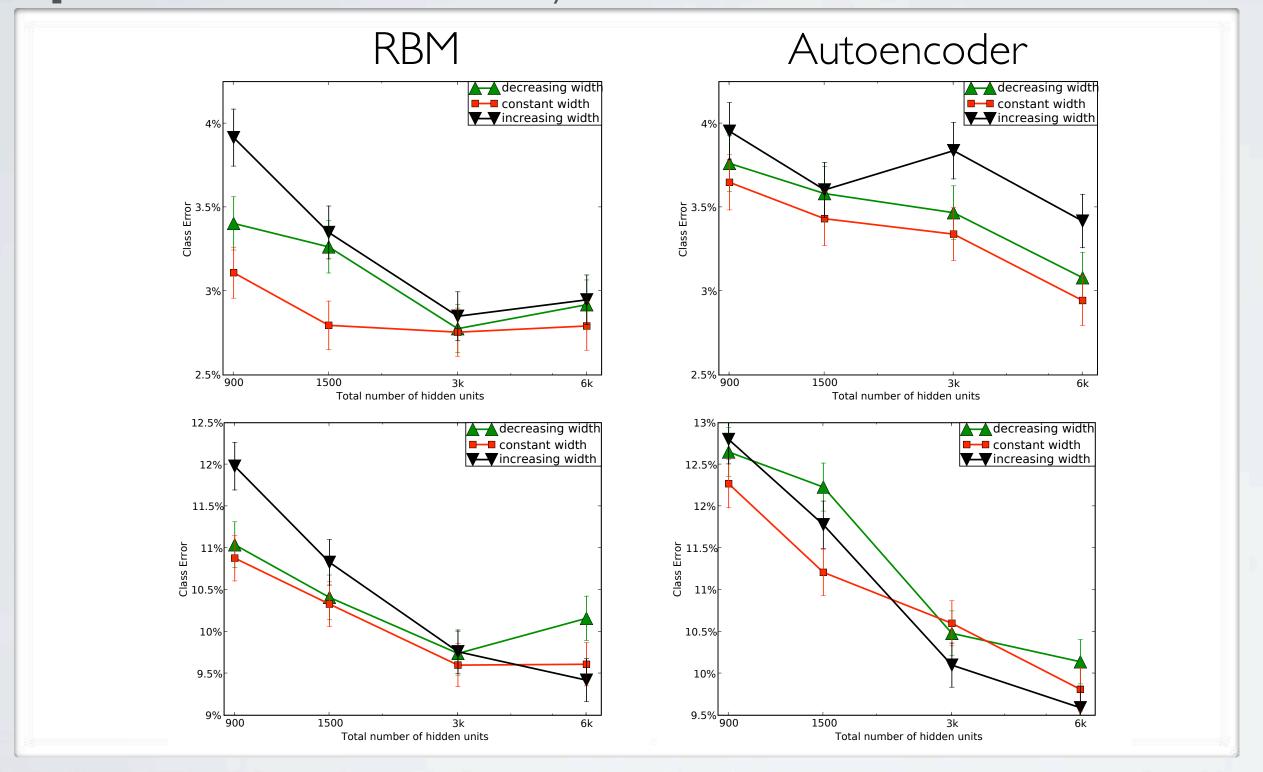
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Topics: choice of hidden layer size



Topics: performance on different datasets

Stacked Stacked Stacked Autoencoders RBMS Denoising Autoencoders

Dataset	$oxed{\mathbf{SVM}_{rbf}}$	SAA-3	DBN-3	$\mathbf{SdA-3}\;(\nu)$
basic	$3.03{\pm}0.15$	3.46 ± 0.16	3.11 ± 0.15	$2.80 \pm 0.14 \; (10\%)$
rot	11.11 ± 0.28	$10.30{\pm}0.27$	$10.30{\pm}0.27$	$10.29 \pm 0.27 \; (10\%)$
bg- $rand$	14.58 ± 0.31	11.28 ± 0.28	$6.73 {\pm} 0.22$	$10.38 \pm 0.27 \ (40\%)$
bg- img	22.61 ± 0.37	23.00 ± 0.37	$16.31{\pm}0.32$	$16.68 \pm 0.33 \ (25\%)$
rot- bg - img	55.18 ± 0.44	51.93 ± 0.44	47.39 ± 0.44	44.49 ± 0.44 (25%)
rect	$oxed{2.15\pm0.13}$	2.41 ± 0.13	2.60 ± 0.14	$1.99 \pm 0.12 \ (10\%)$
rect-img	24.04 ± 0.37	24.05 ± 0.37	22.50 ± 0.37	21.59 ± 0.36 (25%)
convex	19.13 ± 0.34	$18.41 {\pm} 0.34$	$18.63{\pm}0.34$	$19.06 \pm 0.34 \ (10\%)$

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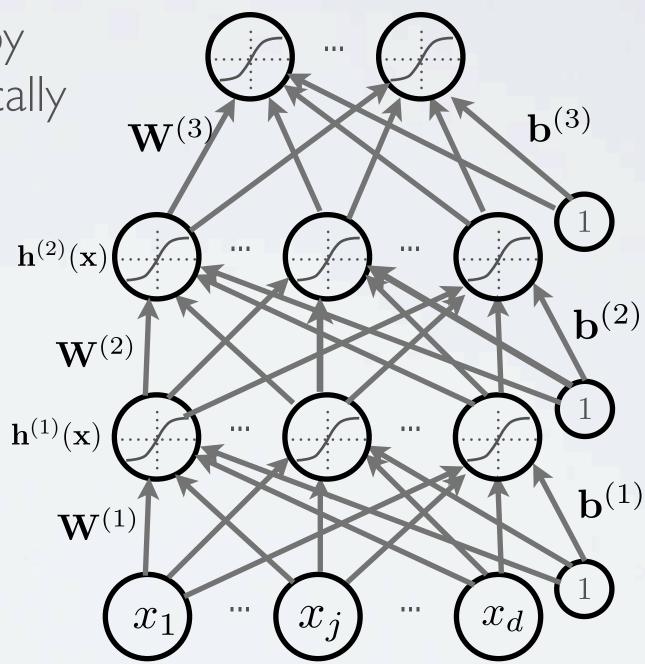
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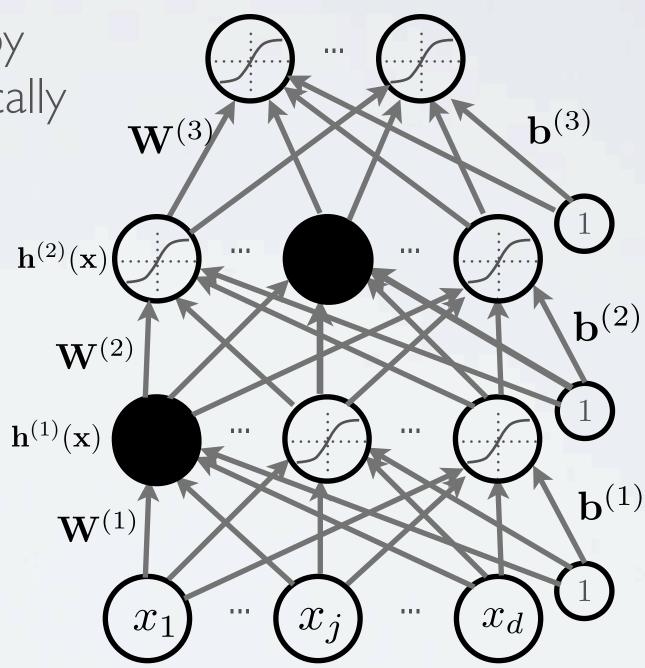
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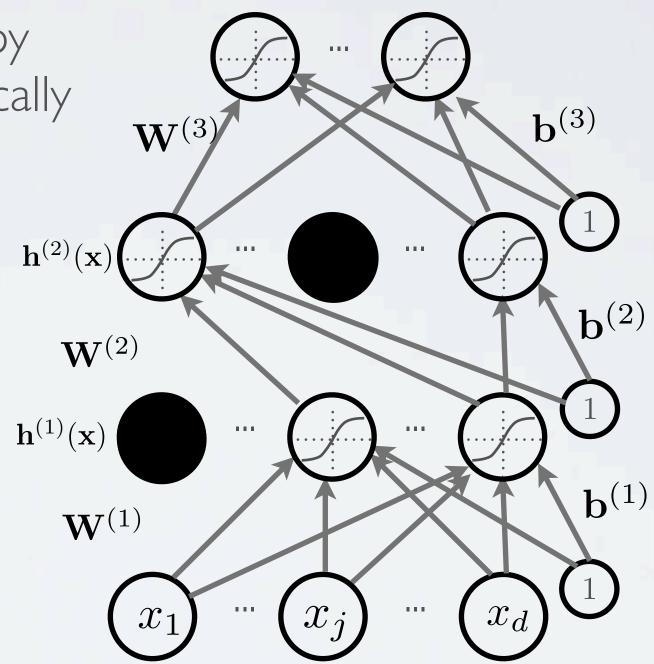
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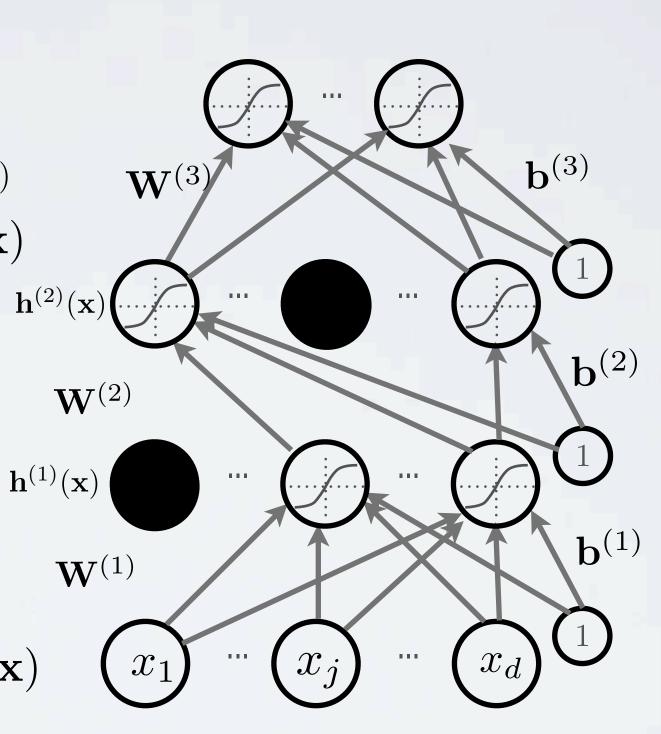
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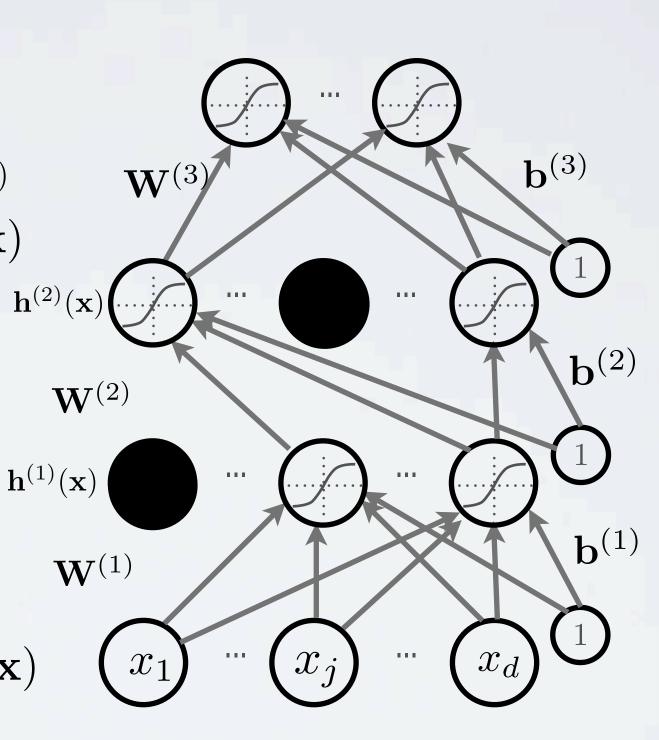
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Topics: test time classification

- At test time, we replace the masks by their expectation
 - ▶ this is simply the constant vector 0.5 if dropout probability is 0.5
 - for single hidden layer, can show this is equivalent to taking the geometric average of all neural networks, with all possible binary masks
- Can be combined with unsupervised pre-training

- Beats regular backpropagation on many datasets
 - Improving neural networks by preventing co-adaptation of feature detectors. Hinton, Srivastava, Krizhevsky, Sutskever and Salakhutdinov, 2012.

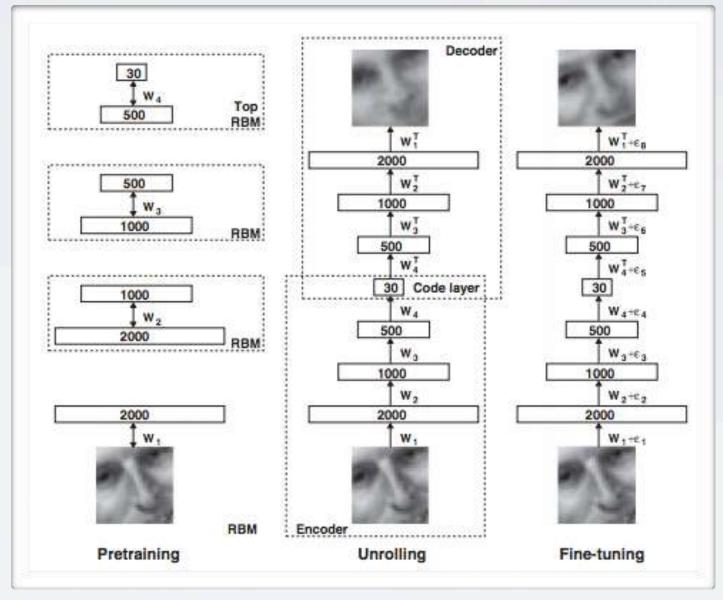
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DEEP AUTOENCODER

Topics: deep autoencoder

- Pre-training can be used to initialize a deep autoencoder
 - This is an example of a situation where underfitting is an issue
 - perhaps surprisingly, pre-training initializes the optimization problem in a region with better local optima of training objective
 - ► Each RBM used to initialize parameters both in encoder and decoder ("unrolling")
 - Better optimization algorithms can also help
 - Deep learning via Hessian-free optimization. James Martens, 2010



From Hinton and Salakhutdinov, Science, 2006

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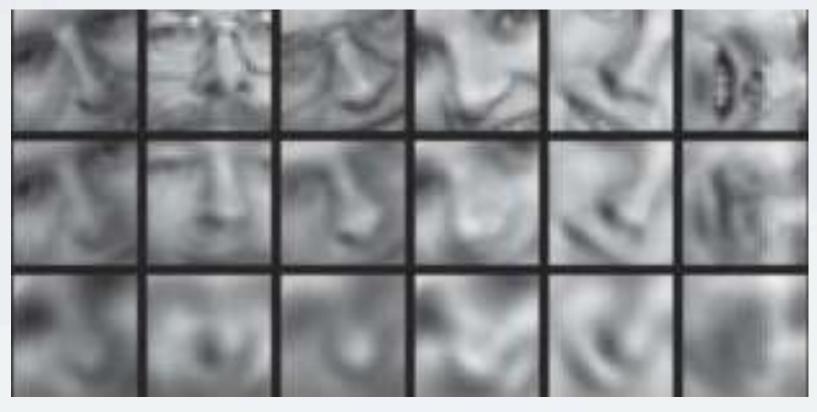
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- · Can be used to reduce the dimensionality of the data
 - will have better reconstruction than a single layer network (i.e. PCA)

Original data

Deep autoencoder reconstruction

PCA reconstruction

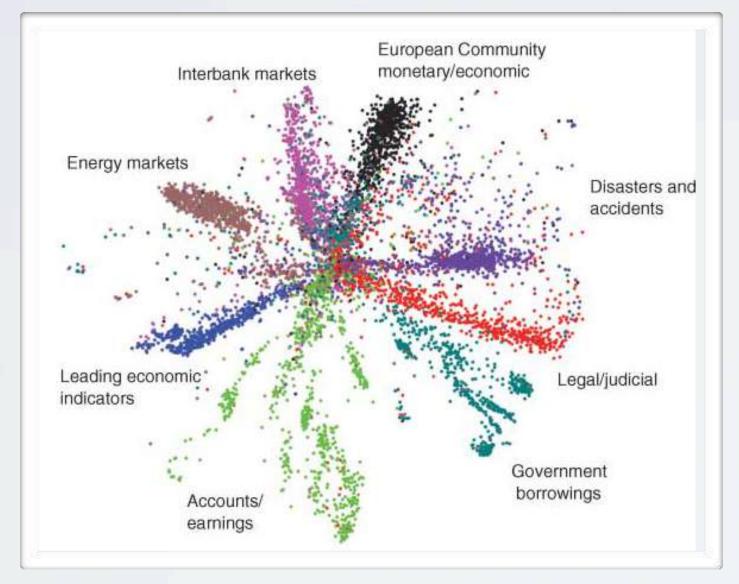


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• If we reduce to 2D, we can visualize the data (e.g. a collection of document)



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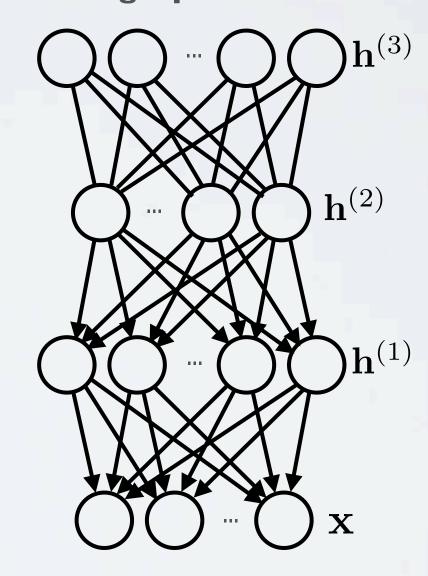
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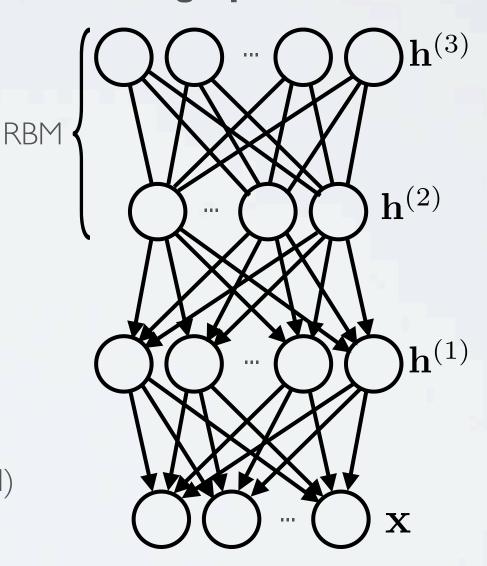
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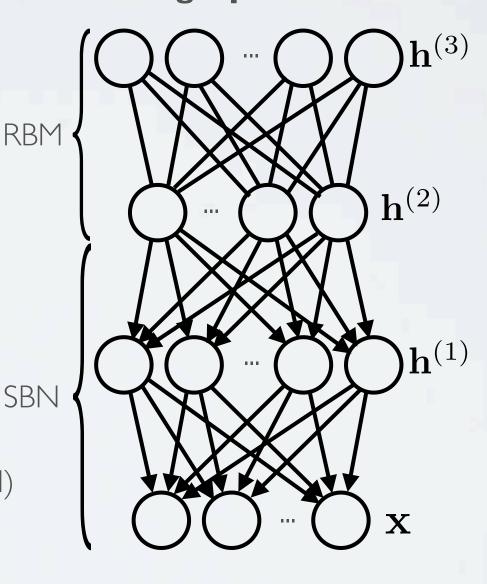
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• The full distribution of a DBN is as follows

$$p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)}, \mathbf{h}^{(3)}) = p(\mathbf{h}^{(2)}, \mathbf{h}^{(3)}) p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)} | \mathbf{h}^{(2)}) p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{h}^{(1)})$$

- where:
 - $p(\mathbf{h}^{(2)}, \mathbf{h}^{(3)}) = \exp\left(\mathbf{h}^{(2)}^{\top} \mathbf{W}^{(3)} \mathbf{h}^{(3)} + \mathbf{b}^{(2)}^{\top} \mathbf{h}^{(2)} + \mathbf{b}^{(3)}^{\top} \mathbf{h}^{(3)}\right) / Z$
 - $p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}|\mathbf{h}^{(2)}) = \prod_{j} p(h_j^{(1)}|\mathbf{h}^{(2)})$
 - $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{h}^{(1)}) = \prod_{i} p(x_i|\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$
- To observe a DBN trained on MNIST in action:
 - http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~hinton/adi/index.htm
- · As in a deep feed-forward network, training a DBN is hard
 - initialization will play a crucial role on the results

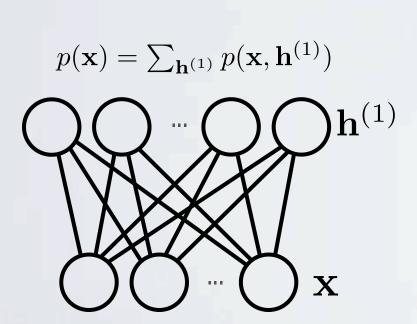
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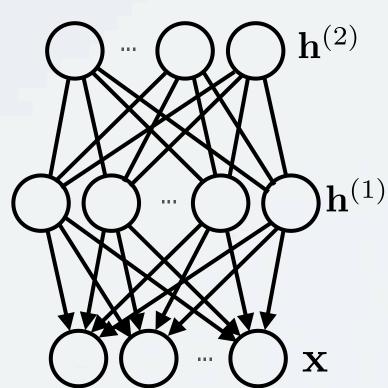
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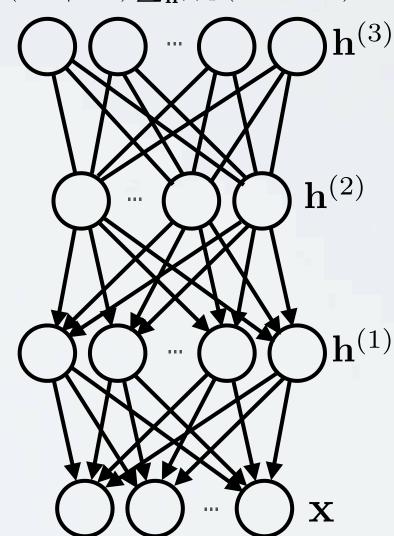
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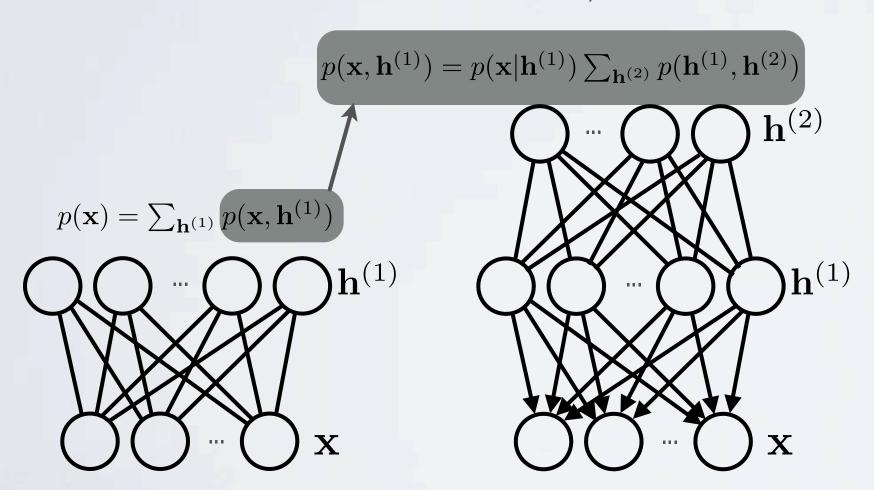


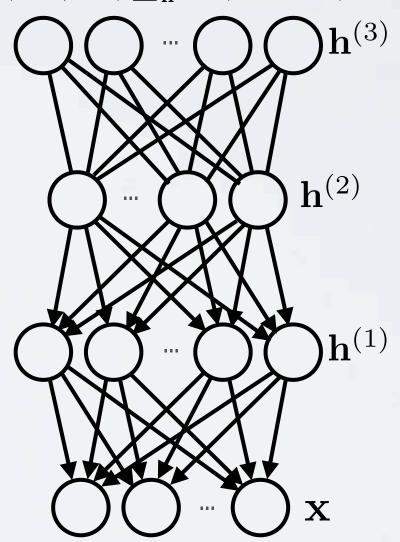
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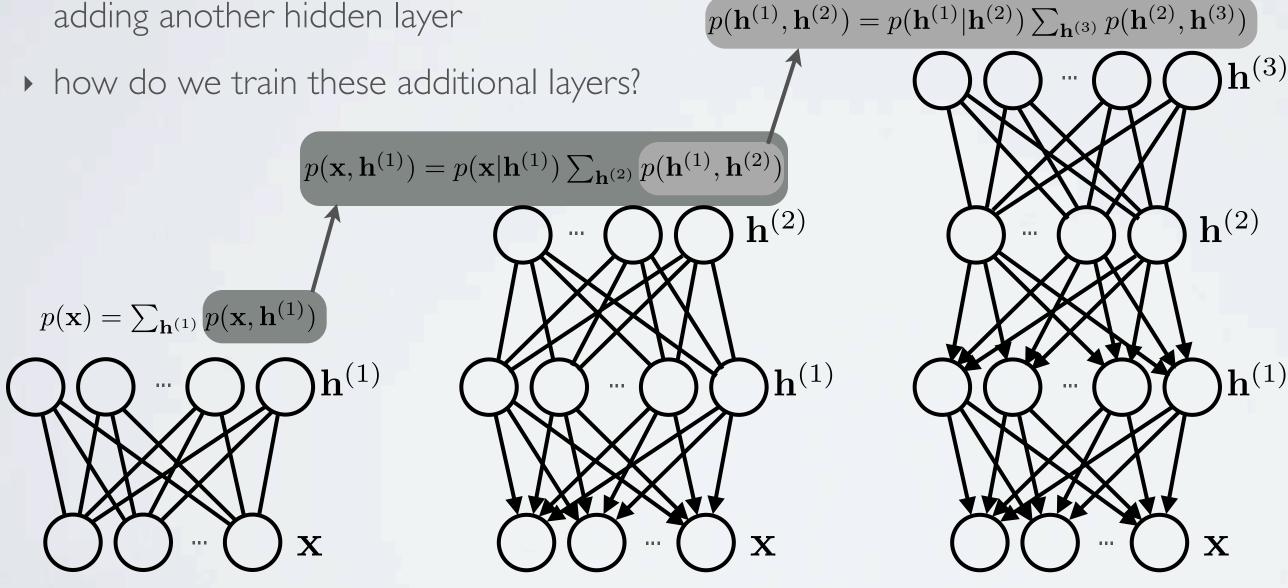
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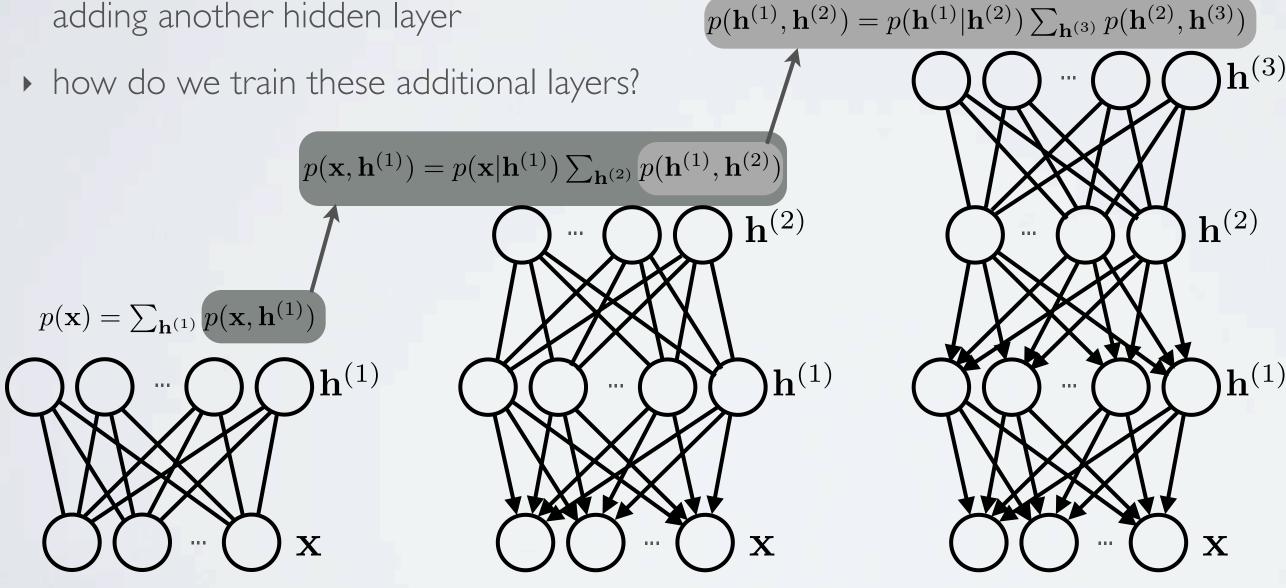


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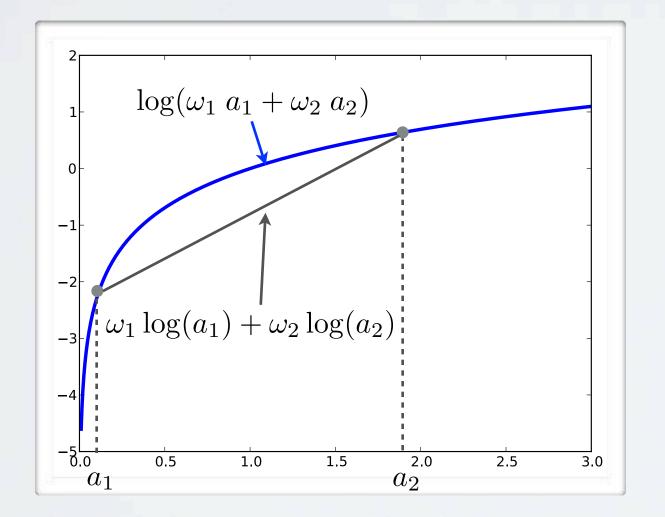
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Topics: concavity

• We will use the fact that the logarithm function is concave:

$$\log(\sum_i \omega_i \ a_i) \ge \sum_i \omega_i \log(a_i)$$
 (where $\sum_i \omega_i = 1$ and $\omega_i \ge 0$)



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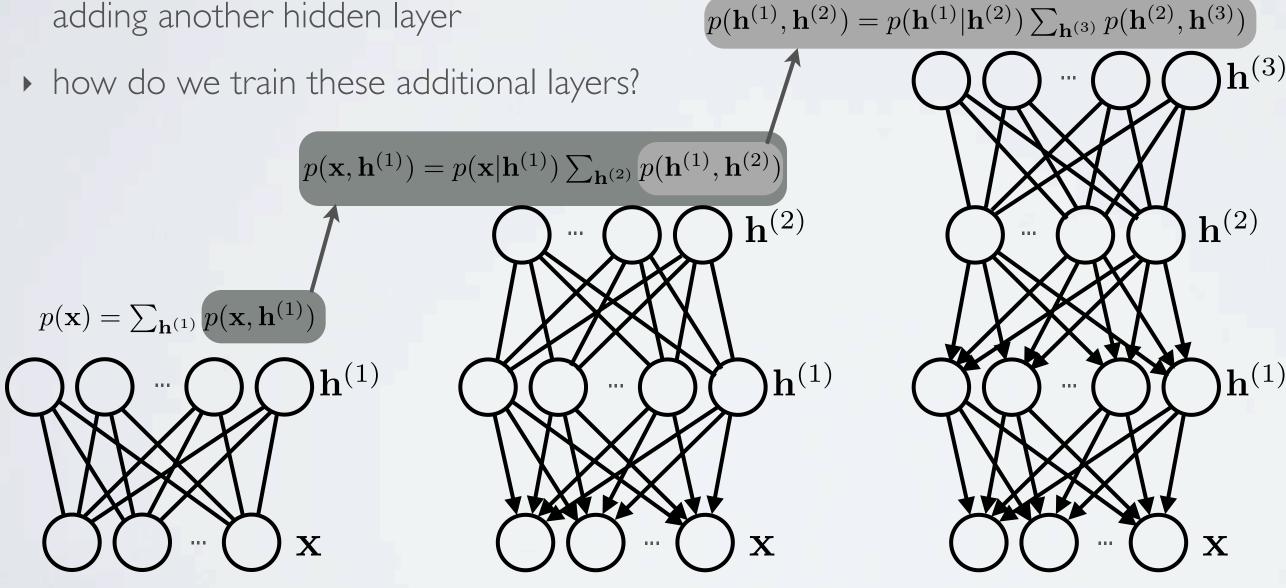
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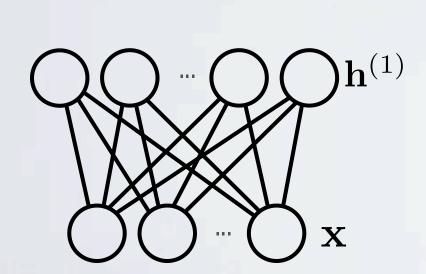
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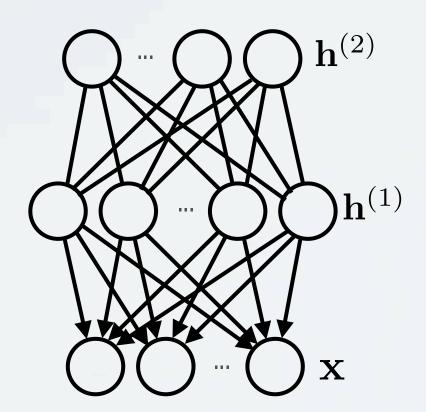
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- for a single hidden layer DBN (i.e. an RBM), both $p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$ and $p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$ depend on the parameters of the first layer
- when adding a second layer, we model $p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$ using a separate set of parameters
 - they are the parameters of the RBM involving ${f h}^{(1)}$ and ${f h}^{(2)}$
 - $p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$ is now the marginalization of the second hidden layer $p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}) = \sum_{\mathbf{h}^{(2)}} p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}, \mathbf{h}^{(2)})$

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- we can train the parameters of the new second layer by maximizing the bound
 - this is equivalent to minimizing the following, since the other terms are constant:

$$-\sum_{\mathbf{h}^{(1)}} q(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}|\mathbf{x}) \log p(\mathbf{h}^{(1)})$$

- this is like training an RBM on data generated from $q(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}|\mathbf{x})$!

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- for $q(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}|\mathbf{x})$ we use the posterior of the first layer RBM
 - equivalent to a feed-forward (sigmoidal) layer, followed by sampling
- by initializing the weights of the second layer RBM as the transpose of the first layer weights, the bound is initially tight
 - a 2 layer DBN with tied weights is equivalent to a 1 layer RBM

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- This process of adding layers can be repeated recursively
 - we obtain the greedy layer-wise pre-training procedure for neural networks
- We now see that this procedure corresponds to maximizing a bound on the likelihood of the data in a DBN
 - ightharpoonup in theory, if our approximation $q(\mathbf{h}^{(1)}|\mathbf{x})$ is very far from the true posterior, the bound might be very loose
 - this only means we might not be improving the true likelihood
 - we might still be extracting better features!
- Fine-tuning is done by the Up-Down algorithm
 - A fast learning algorithm for deep belief nets. Hinton, Teh, Osindero, 2006.