

Selected Topics in Deep Learning for
Audio, Speech, and Music Processing

Nonnegative Autoencoders with Applications to Music Audio Decomposing

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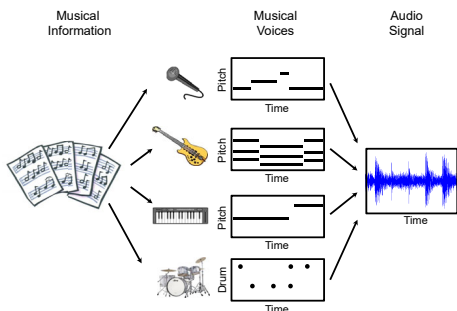
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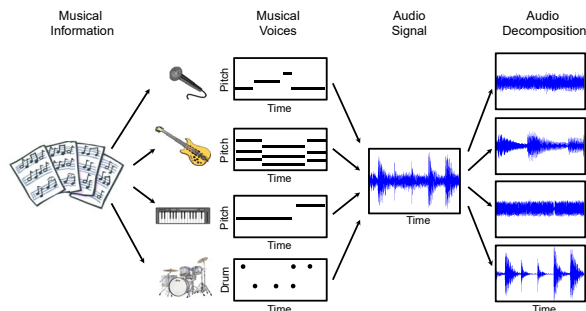
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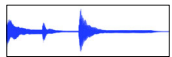
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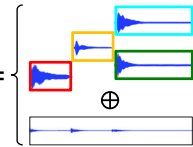
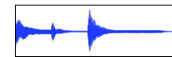
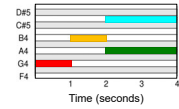
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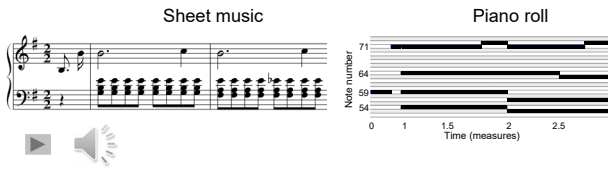


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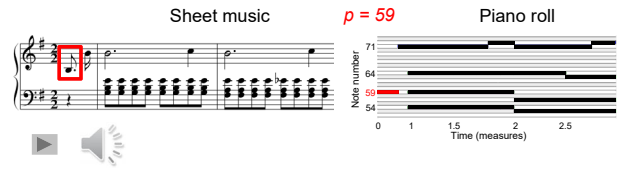
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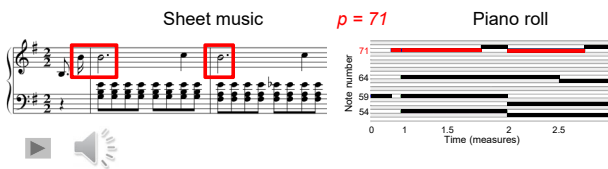
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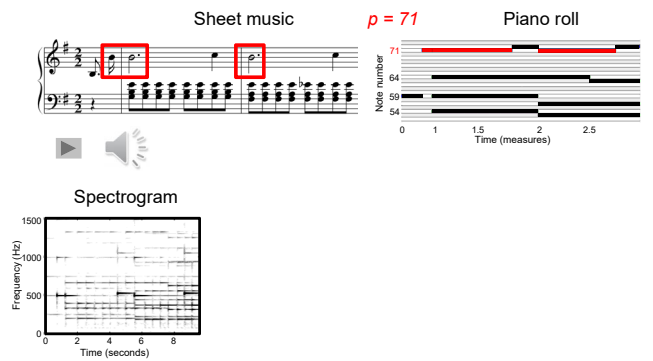
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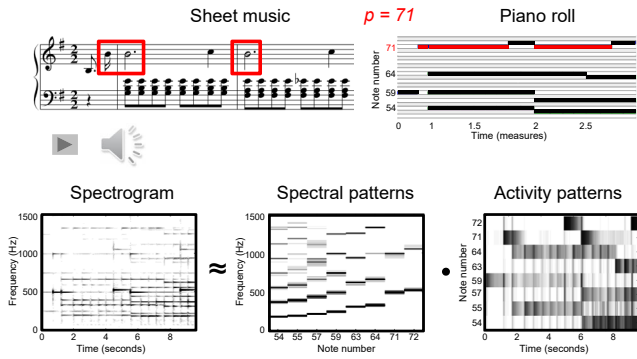
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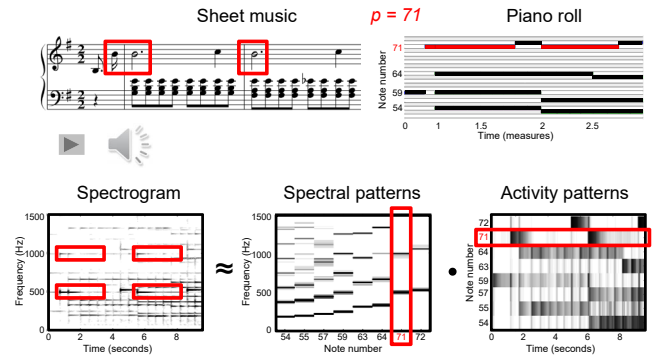
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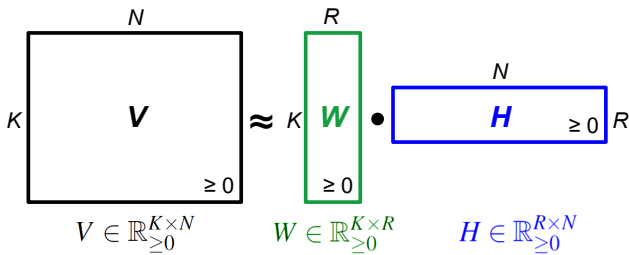
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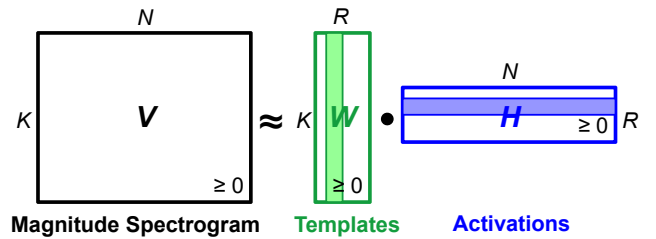
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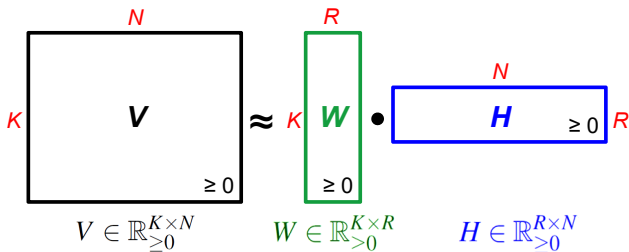
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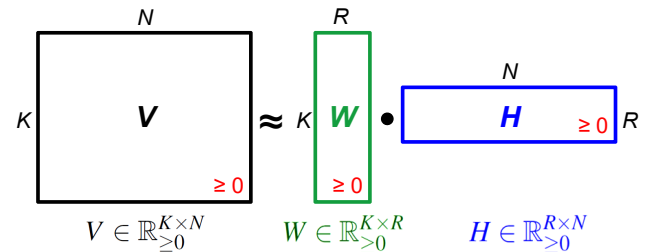
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Dimensionality reduction

- K, N typically much larger than R (maximal rank)
- Example: $N = 1000, K = 500, R = 20$
 $K \times N = 500,000, K \times R = 10,000, R \times N = 20,000$

Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF)



Nonnegativity:

- Prevents mutual cancellation of template vectors
- Encourages semantically meaningful decomposition

NMF Optimization

Optimization problem:

Given $V \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{K \times N}$ and rank parameter R minimize

$$\|V - WH\|^2$$

with respect to $W \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{K \times R}$ and $H \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^{R \times N}$.

Optimization not easy:

- Nonnegativity constraints
- Nonconvexity when jointly optimizing W and H

Strategy: Iteratively optimize W and H via gradient descent

NMF Optimization

Computation of gradient with respect to H (fixed W)

$$D := RN$$

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Introduce transposed W^T

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- Update rule become multiplicative
- Nonnegative values stay nonnegative

NMF Optimization

Algorithm: NMF ($V \approx WH$)

Input: Nonnegative matrix V of size $K \times N$
 Rank parameter $R \in \mathbb{N}$
 Threshold ϵ used as stop criterion

Output: Nonnegative template matrix W of size $K \times R$
 Nonnegative activation matrix H of size $R \times N$

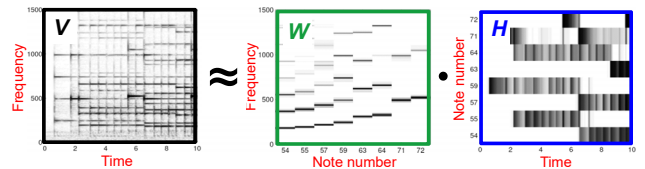
Procedure: Define nonnegative matrices $W^{(0)}$ and $H^{(0)}$ by some random or informed initialization. Furthermore set $\ell = 0$. Apply the following update rules (written in matrix notation):

- (1) $H^{(\ell+1)} = H^{(\ell)} \odot ((W^{(\ell)\top} V) \oslash ((W^{(\ell)\top} W^{(\ell)} H^{(\ell)}))$
- (2) $W^{(\ell+1)} = W^{(\ell)} \odot ((V H^{(\ell+1)\top}) \oslash (W^{(\ell)} H^{(\ell+1)} (H^{(\ell+1)\top}))$
- (3) Increase ℓ by one.

Repeat the steps (1) to (3) until $\|H^{(\ell)} - H^{(\ell-1)}\| \leq \epsilon$ and $\|W^{(\ell)} - W^{(\ell-1)}\| \leq \epsilon$ (or until some other stop criterion is fulfilled). Finally, set $H = H^{(\ell)}$ and $W = W^{(\ell)}$.

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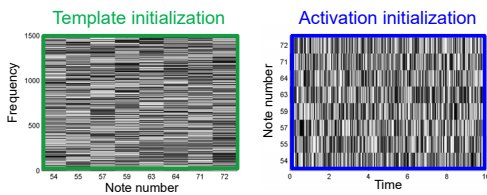
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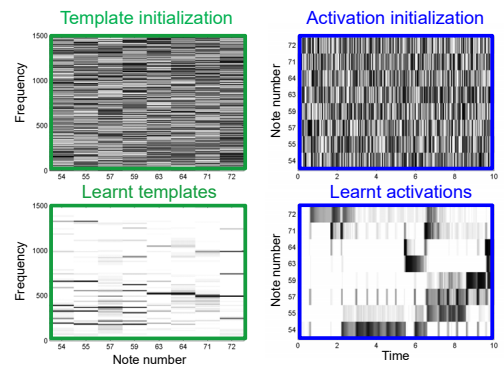
“When does it sound?”

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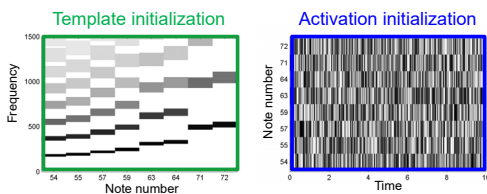
Random initialization

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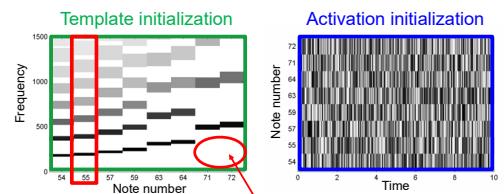
Random initialization → No semantic meaning

Constrained NMF: Templates



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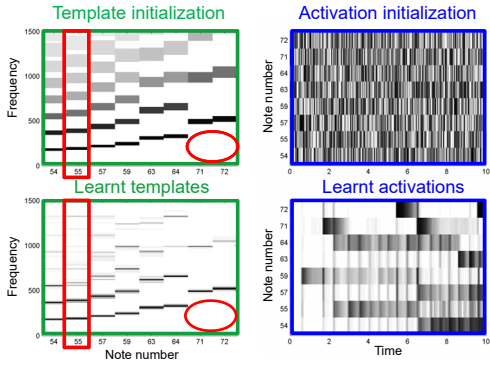
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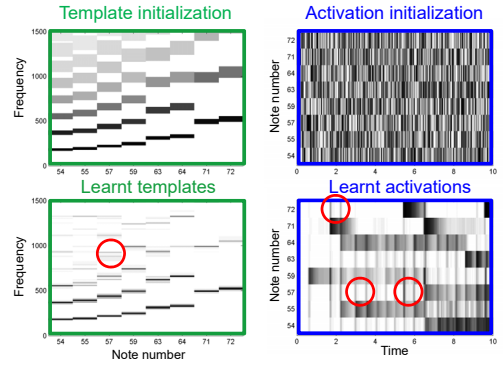
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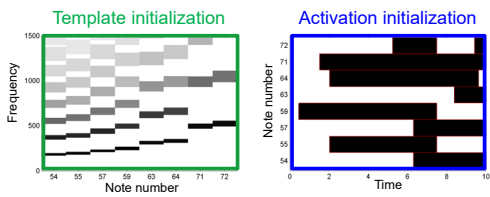
Zero-valued entries remain zero-valued entries!

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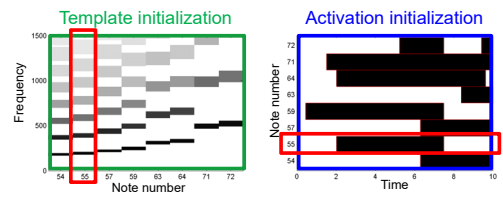


Pitch templates misused to represent onsets

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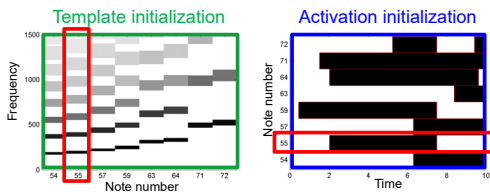
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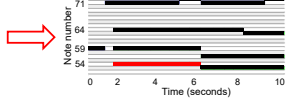
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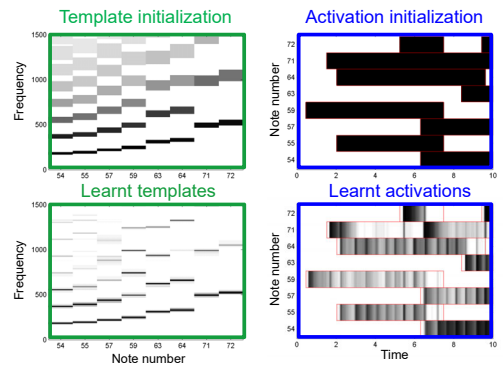
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Sheet music



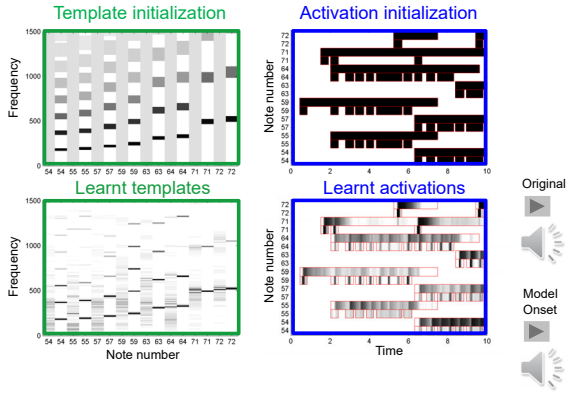
Such information may come from a synchronized score

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Significant gain in structure, but onsets are missing

Constrained NMF: Onset Templates

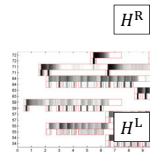


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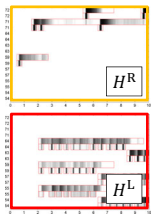


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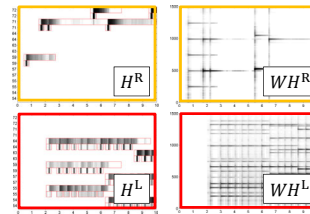


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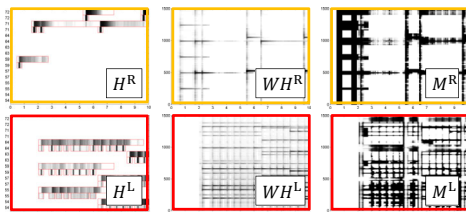


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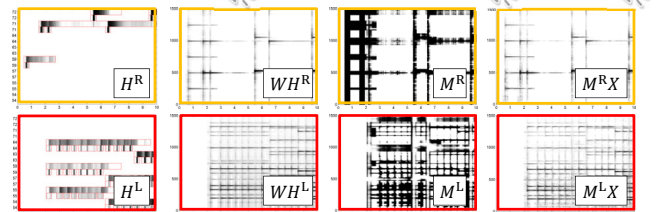


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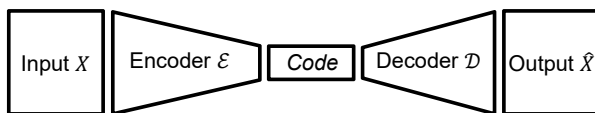
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Application: Audio editing

Conclusions (NMF)

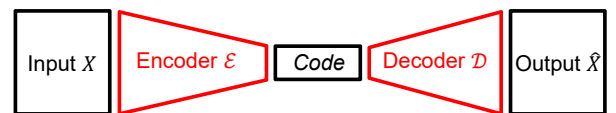
- NMF used for spectrogram decomposition
- Multiplicative update rules make it easy to constrain NMF model via zero initialization
- Exploiting score information to guide separation process (requires score-audio synchronization)
- Application: Separation of arbitrary note groups from given audio recording

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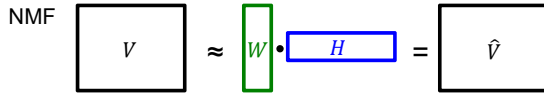


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- Goal: Learn parameters for encoder and decoder such that output is close to input with respect to some loss function:

$$\mathcal{L}(X, \hat{X}) \approx 0$$

NMF and Autoencoder (AE)

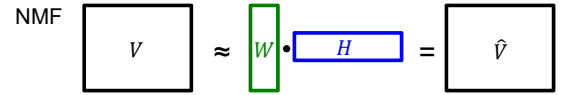
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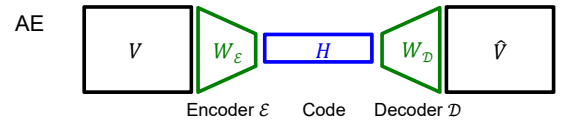
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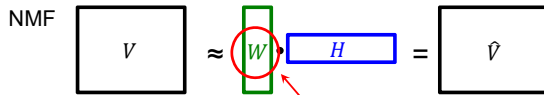
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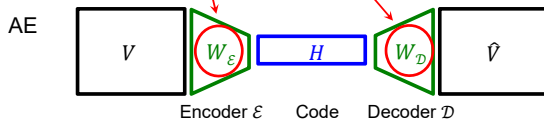
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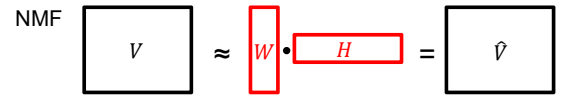
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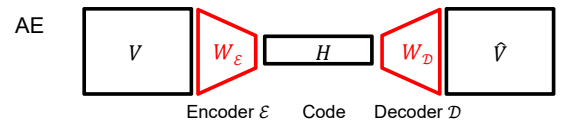
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- Fully connected network

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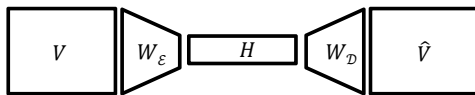


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1. Layer: $H = W_\epsilon V$
 2. Layer: $\hat{V} = W_D H$
- NMF: Learn H and W
AE: Learn W_ϵ and W_D

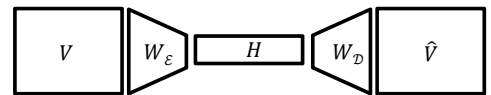
Nonnegative Autoencoder (NAE)



1. Layer: $H = W_\epsilon V$
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- How can one adjust the AE to simulate NMF?
- How can one achieve nonnegativity?
- How can one incorporate musical knowledge?
- ...

Nonnegative Autoencoder (NAE)

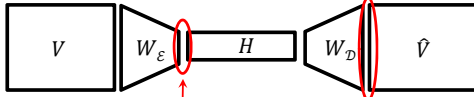


1. Layer: $H = W_\epsilon V$
2. Layer: $\hat{V} = W_D H$

$$\mathcal{L}(V, \hat{V}) = \|V - \hat{V}\|^2$$

- Loss function: same as in NMF

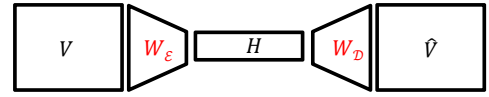
Nonnegative Autoencoder (NAE)



1. Layer: $H = \max(W_\epsilon V, 0)$
 2. Layer: $\hat{V} = \max(W_D H, 0)$
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- Loss function: same as in NMF
- Activation function (ReLU) makes H and \hat{V} nonnegative

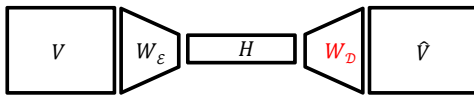
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 2. Layer: $\hat{V} = \max(W_D H, 0)$
- $\mathcal{L}(V, \hat{V}) = \|V - \hat{V}\|^2$
- $W_D \leftarrow \max\left(W_D - \gamma \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial W_D}, 0\right)$

- Loss function: same as in NMF
- Activation function (ReLU) makes H and \hat{V} nonnegative
- Projected gradient descent can be used to keep W_D (and W_ϵ) nonnegative

Musical Constraints



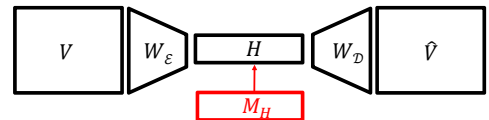
$$H = \max(W_\epsilon V, 0)$$

$$\hat{V} = \max(W_D H, 0)$$

- Template constraints: Project certain entries in W_D to zero values (using projected gradient decent)

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$$H' = H \odot M_H$$

$$\hat{V} = \max(W_D H', 0)$$

- Template constraints: Project certain entries in W_D to zero values (using projected gradient decent)
- Activation constraints: Use structured dropout by applying pointwise multiplication with binary mask M_H

NAE with Multiplicative Update Rules

- Multiplicative update rules in NMF:
 - Preserve nonnegativity
 - Lead to fast convergence
- Question: Can one introduce multiplicative update rules to train network weights for NAE?
- Use in additive gradient descent

$$W^{(\ell+1)} = W^{(\ell)} - \gamma \cdot \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial W}$$

a suitable (adaptive) learning rate γ .

NAE with Multiplicative Update Rules

- Encoder:

$$H = W_\epsilon V$$
- Structured Dropout:

$$H' = H \odot M_H$$
- Decoder:

$$\hat{V} = W_D H'$$

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NAE with Multiplicative Update Rules

- Encoder:

$$H = W_{\mathcal{E}}V$$

- Structured Dropout:

$$H' = H \odot M_H$$

- Decoder:

$$\hat{V} = W_{\mathcal{D}}H'$$

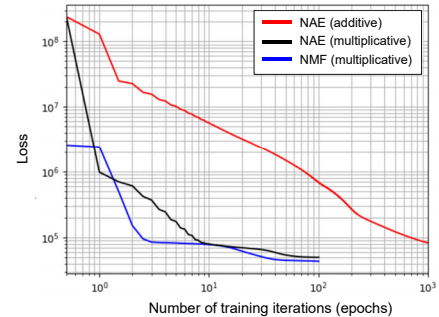
$$W_{\mathcal{E},rk}^{(\ell+1)} = W_{\mathcal{E},rk}^{(\ell)} \cdot \frac{\left((W_{\mathcal{D}}^{\top} V) \odot M_H \right) V^{\top}}{\left((W_{\mathcal{D}}^{\top} W_{\mathcal{D}} H^{(\ell)}) \odot M_H \right) V^{\top}}_{rk}$$

$$W_{\mathcal{D},kr}^{(\ell+1)} = W_{\mathcal{D},kr}^{(\ell)} \cdot \frac{(V H'^{\top})_{kr}}{(W_{\mathcal{D}}^{(\ell)} H' H'^{\top})_{kr}}$$

Similar idea and computation as for NMF.

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Approximation Loss



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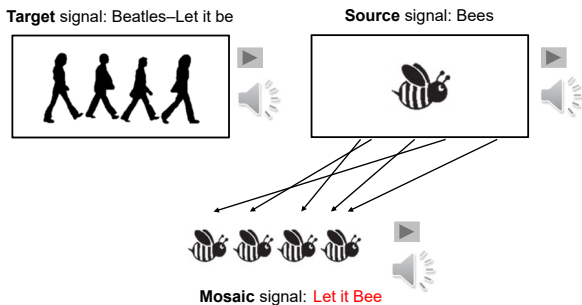
Conclusions (NAE)

- Simulation of NMF:
 - Decoder corresponds to NMF templates
 - Encoder learns a kind of pseudo-inverse
 - Code corresponds to NMF activations
- Nonnegativity can be achieved via
 - activation function (ReLU)
 - projected gradient descent
 - multiplicative update rules
- Musical knowledge can be integrated via
 - removing network weights (template constraints)
 - structured dropout (activation constraints)

Outlook

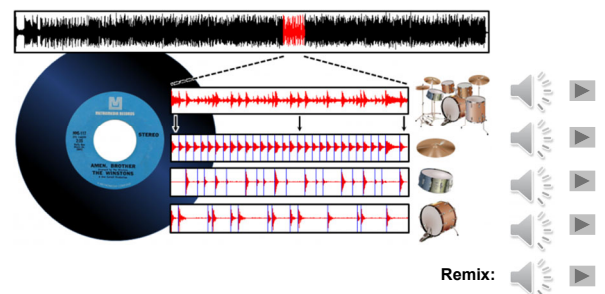
- More complex networks
 - Deeper networks (more layers)
 - Different layer types (CNN, RNN, ...) and activation functions
 - Modification of loss function and regularization terms
- Understanding encoder – decoder relationship
 - Nonnegativity
 - Pseudo-inverse
- Update rules
 - Constraints and conversion issues
 - Adaptive learning rates and projected gradient descent

Audio Mosaicing (Style Transfer)



Driedger, Prätzlich, Müller: Let It Bee – Towards NMF-Inspired Audio Mosaicing, ISMIR 2015..

Informed Drum-Sound Decomposition



Dittmar, Müller: Reverse Engineering the Amen Break – Score-Informed Separation and Restoration Applied to Drum Recordings, IEEE/ACM TASLP, 2016.

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Reconstruction of Sound Events

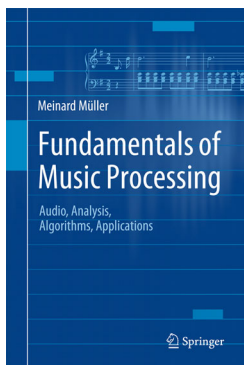
- Reconstruction via spectral masking (Wiener filtering)
- Alternative: Resynthesis approach
- Differentiable Digital Signal Processing (DDSP) combines classical DSP and deep learning
- Generative adversarial networks may help to reduce the artifacts

Lecture 8: Recurrent and Generative Adversarial Network Architectures for Text-to-Speech

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1. Introduction to Audio and Speech Processing
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3. Permutation Invariant Training Techniques for Speech Separation
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9. Connectionist Temporal Classification (CTC) Loss with Applications to Theme-Based Music Retrieval
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