Machine Learning and A9 via Brain simulations

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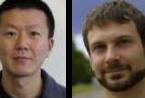
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This talk

The idea of "deep learning." Using brain simulations, hope to:

- Make learning algorithms much better and easier to use.
- Make revolutionary advances in machine learning and AI.

Vision is not only mine; shared with many researchers:

E.g., Samy Bengio, Yoshua Bengio, Tom Dean, Jeff Dean, Nando de Freitas, Jeff Hawkins, Geoff Hinton, Quoc Le, Yann LeCun, Honglak Lee, Tommy Poggio, Ruslan Salakhutdinov, Josh Tenenbaum, Kai Yu, Jason Weston,

I believe this is our best shot at progress towards real AI.



What do we want computers to do with our data?

Images/video



Label: "Motorcycle"
 Suggest tags
 Image search

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Audio



Speech recognition Music classification Speaker identification



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Computer vision is hard!



Motorcycle



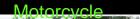
















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Machine learning performs well on many of these problems, but is a lot of work. What is it about machine learning that makes it so hard to use?

Machine learning for image classification



This talk: Develop ideas using images and audio. Ideas apply to other problems (e.g., text) too.

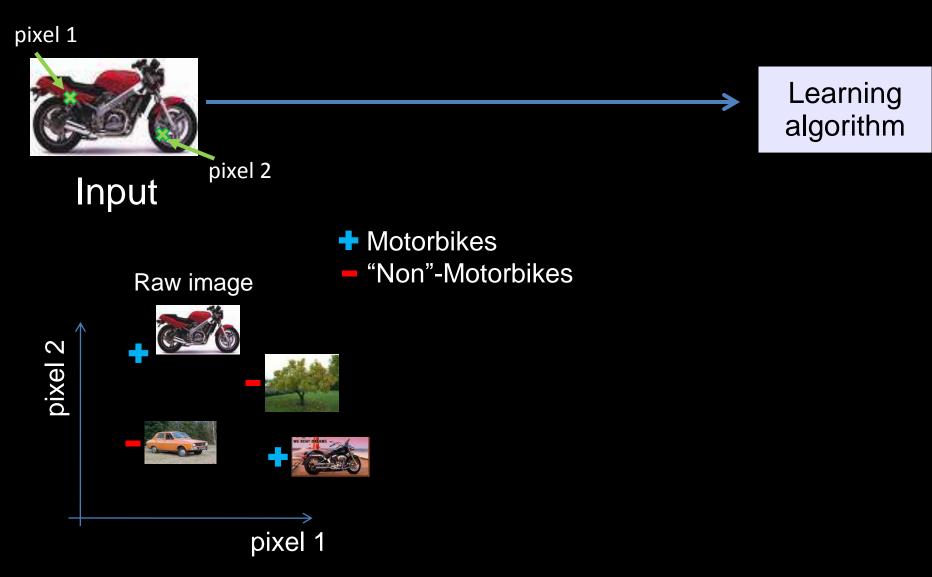
Why is this hard?

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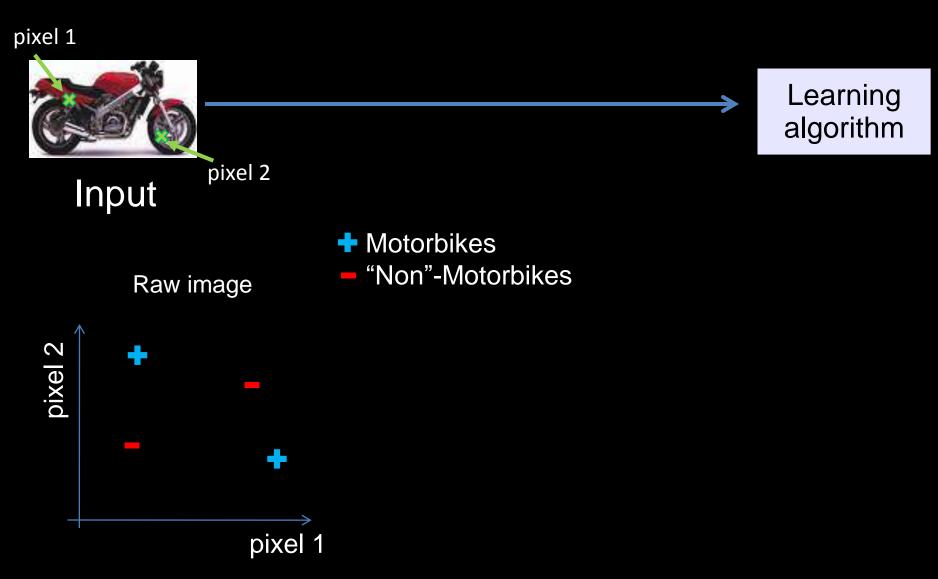


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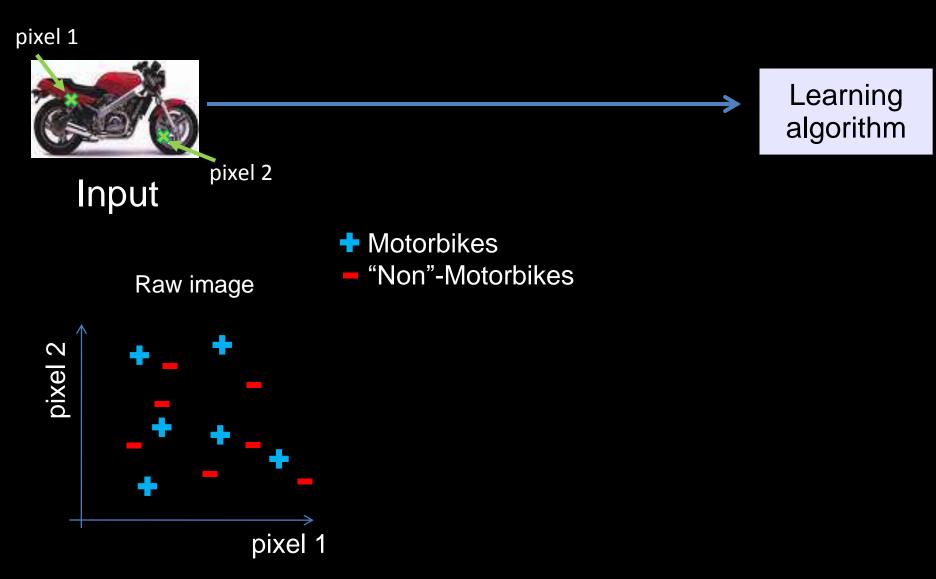
Machine learning and feature representations



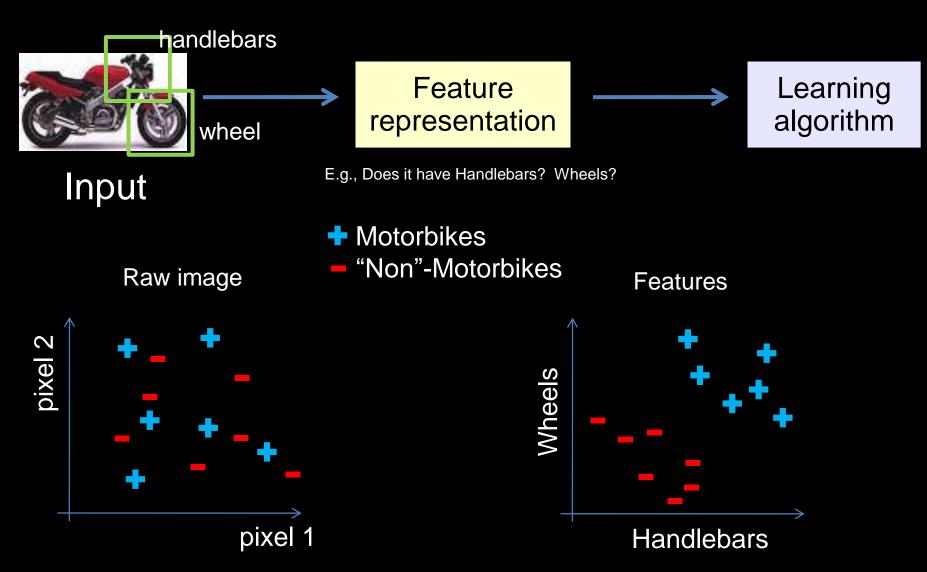
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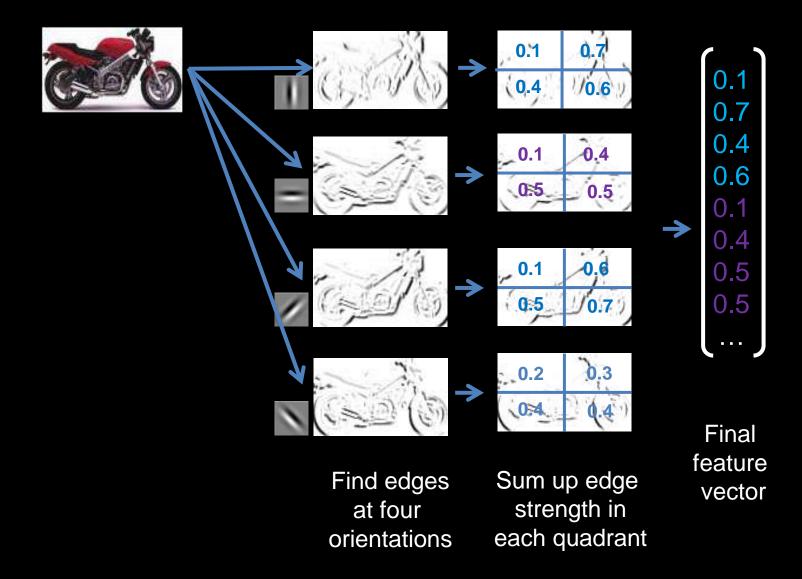


What we want

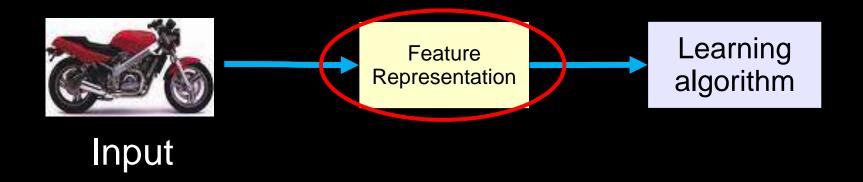


Computing features in computer vision

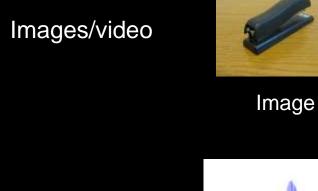
But... we don't have a handlebars detector. So, researchers try to hand-design features to capture various statistical properties of the image.

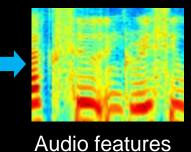


Feature representations

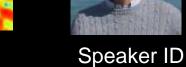


How is computer perception done?





Vision features

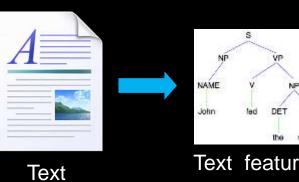


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Detection

Audio



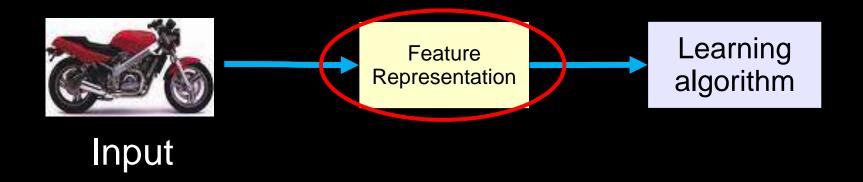


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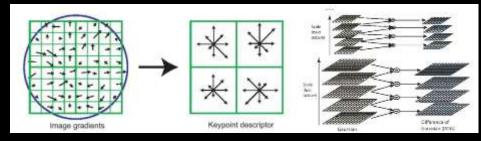
Text features

Text classification, Machine translation, Information retrieval,

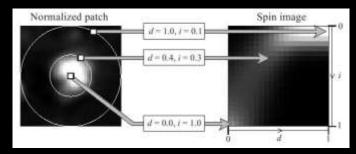
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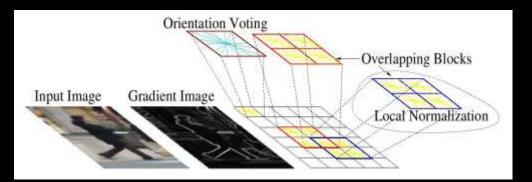
Computer vision features

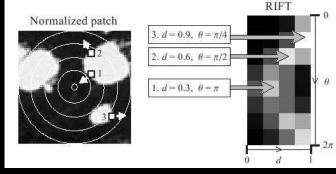


SIFT

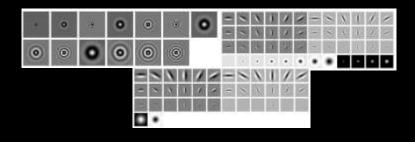


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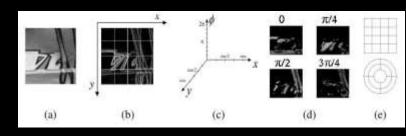




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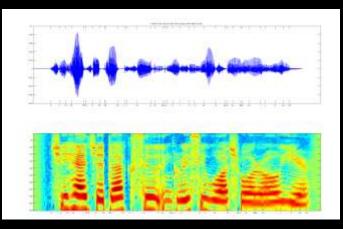
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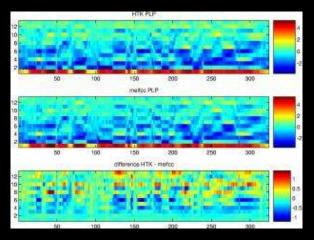
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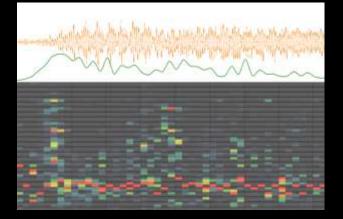
Audio features

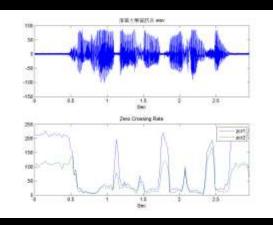


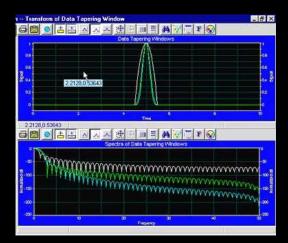
Spectrogram



MFCC





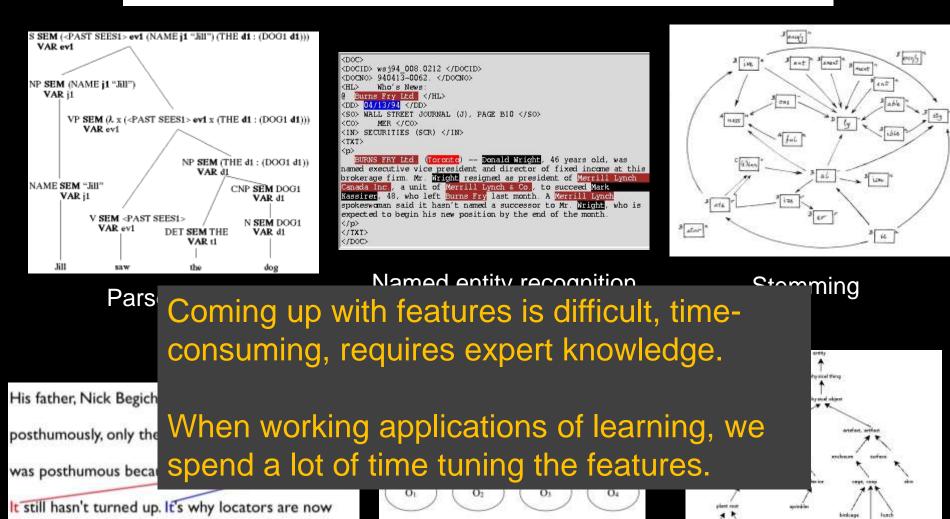


Flux

ZCR

Rolloff

NLP features



Part of speech

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Anaphora

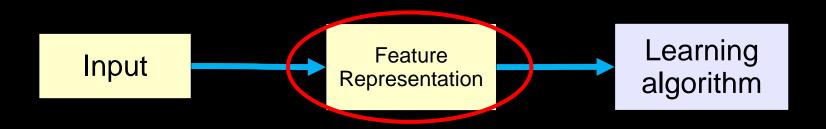
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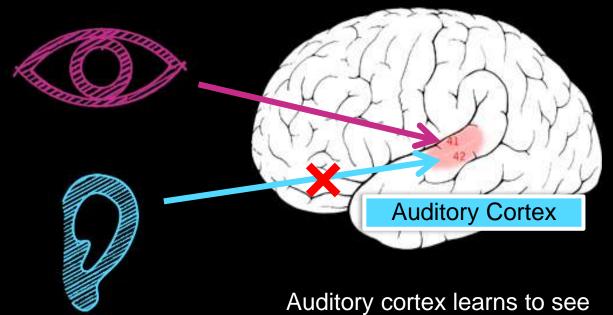
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Ontologies (WordNet)

Feature representations

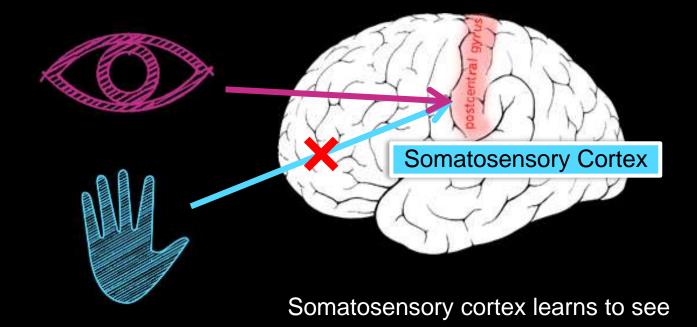


The "one learning algorithm" hypothesis



[Roe et al., 1992]

The "one learning algorithm" hypothesis



[Metin & Frost, 1989]

Sensor representations in the brain



Seeing with your tongue



Human echolocation (sonar)



Haptic belt: Direction sense



Implanting a 3rd eye

[BrainPort; Welsh & Blasch, 1997; Nagel et al., 2005; Constantine-Paton & Law, 2009]

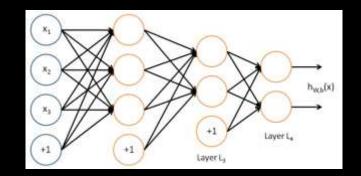
On two approaches to computer perception

The adult visual system computes an incredibly complicated function of the input.

We can try to directly implement most of this incredibly complicated function (hand-engineer features).

Can we learn this function instead?

A trained learning algorithm (e.g., neural network, boosting, decision tree, SVM,...) is very complex. But the learning algorithm itself is usually very simple. The complexity of the trained algorithm comes from the data, not the algorithm.

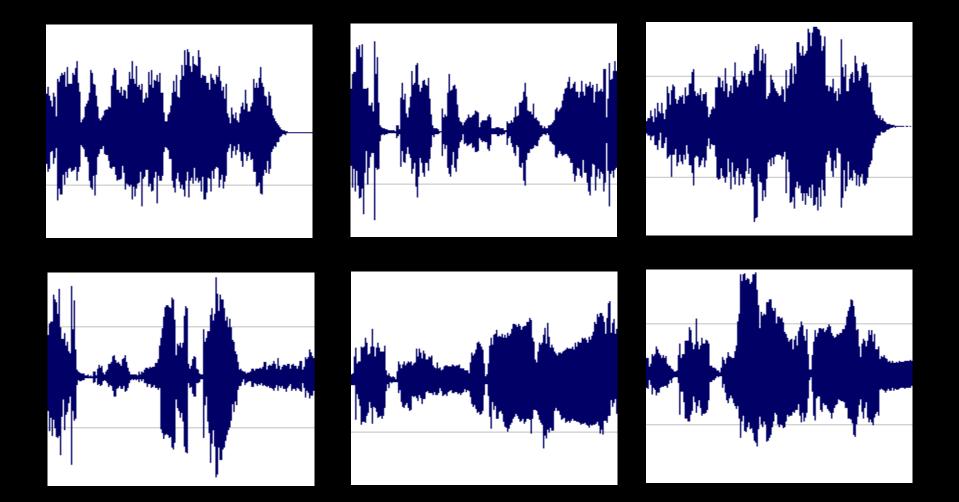


Learning input representations



Find a better way to represent images than pixels.

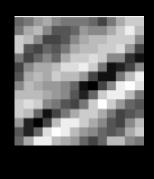
Learning input representations



Find a better way to represent audio.

Feature learning problem

 Given a 14x14 image patch x, can represent it using 196 real numbers.





• Problem: Can we find a learn a better feature vector to represent this?

Self-taught learning (Unsupervised Feature Learning)











Motorcycles





Not motorcycles

Testing: What is this?



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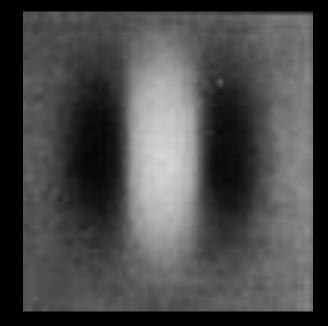
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First stage of visual processing: V1

V1 is the first stage of visual processing in the brain. Neurons in V1 typically modeled as edge detectors:





Neuron #1 of visual cortex (model) Neuron #2 of visual cortex (model) Sparse coding (Olshausen & Field,1996). Originally developed to explain early visual processing in the brain (edge detection).

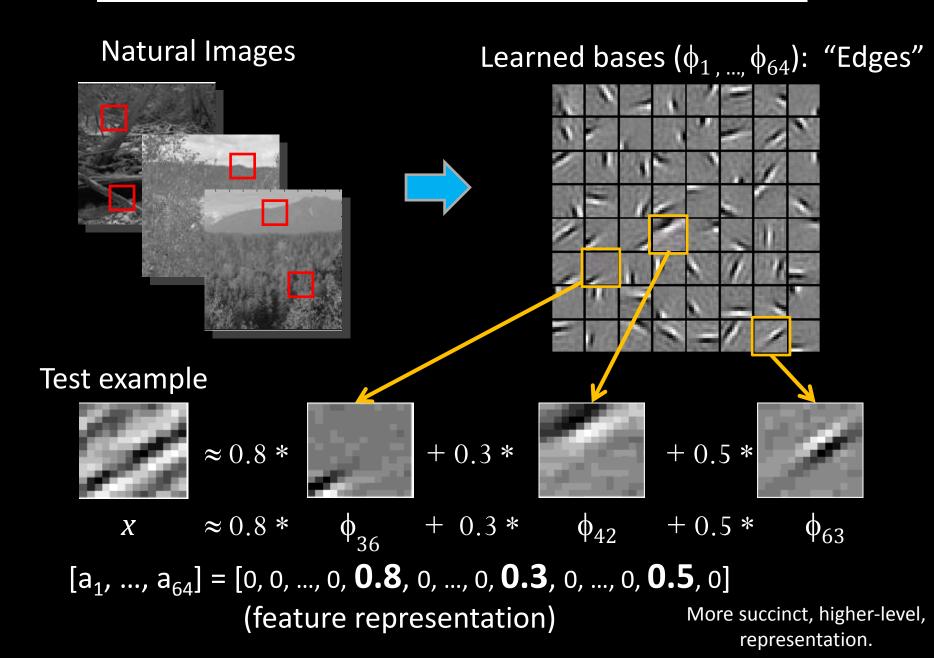
Input: Images $x^{(1)}$, $x^{(2)}$, ..., $x^{(m)}$ (each in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$)

Learn: Dictionary of bases $\phi_1, \phi_2, ..., \phi_k$ (also $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$), so that each input x can be approximately decomposed as:

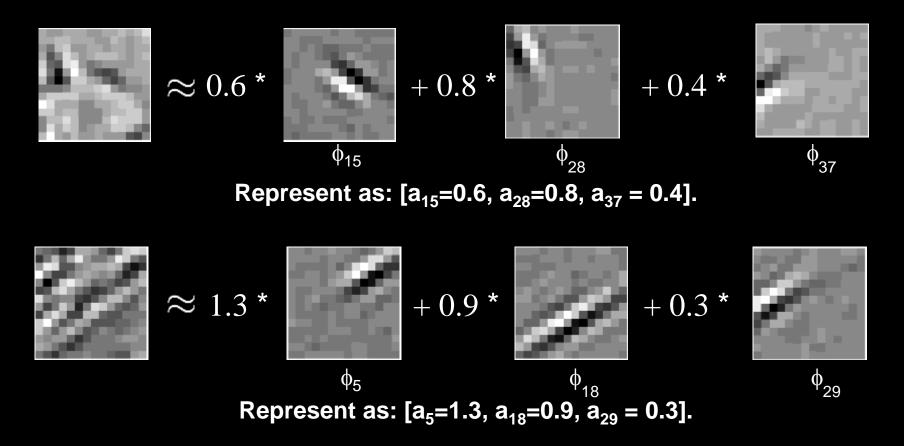
$$x \approx \sum_{j=1}^{k} a_{j} \phi_{j}$$

s.t. a_{i} 's are mostly zero ("sparse")

Sparse coding illustration



More examples



• Method "invents" edge detection.

• Automatically learns to represent an image in terms of the edges that appear in it. Gives a more succinct, higher-level representation than the raw pixels.

• Quantitatively similar to primary visual cortex (area V1) in brain.

Sparse coding applied to audio

Image shows 20 basis functions learned from unlabeled audio.

[Evan Smith & Mike Lewicki, 2006]

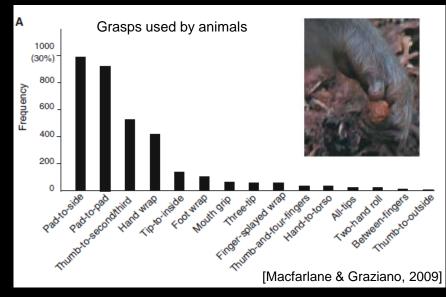
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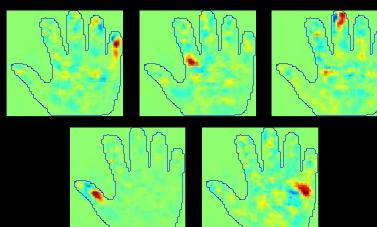
Sparse coding applied to touch data

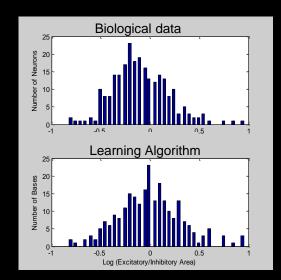
Collect touch data using a glove, following distribution of grasps used by animals in the wild.





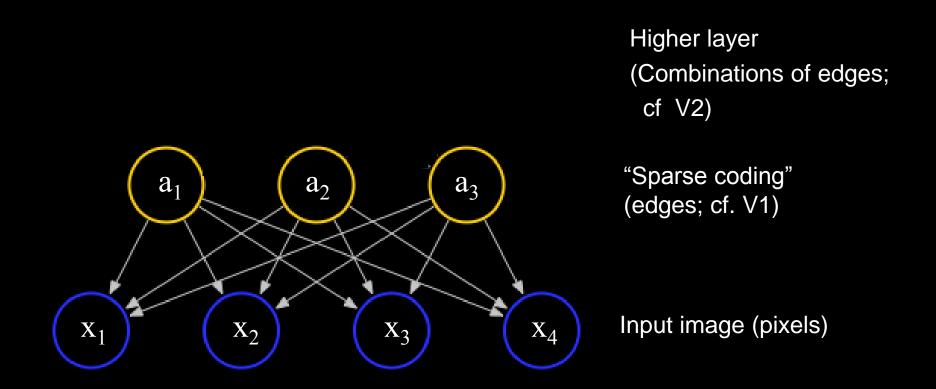
Example learned representations





[Andrew Saxe]

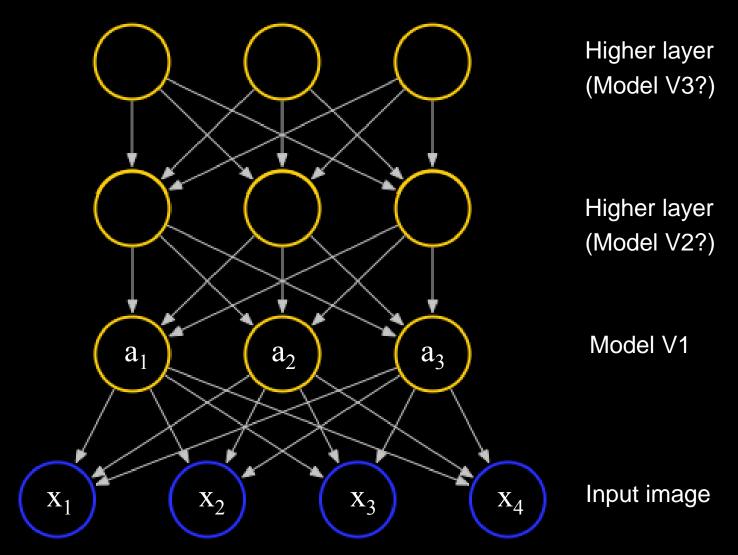
Learning feature hierarchies



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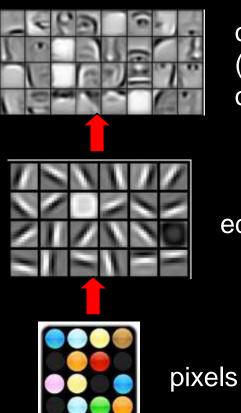
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Hierarchical Sparse coding (Sparse DBN): Trained on face images



Training set: Aligned images of faces.

object models



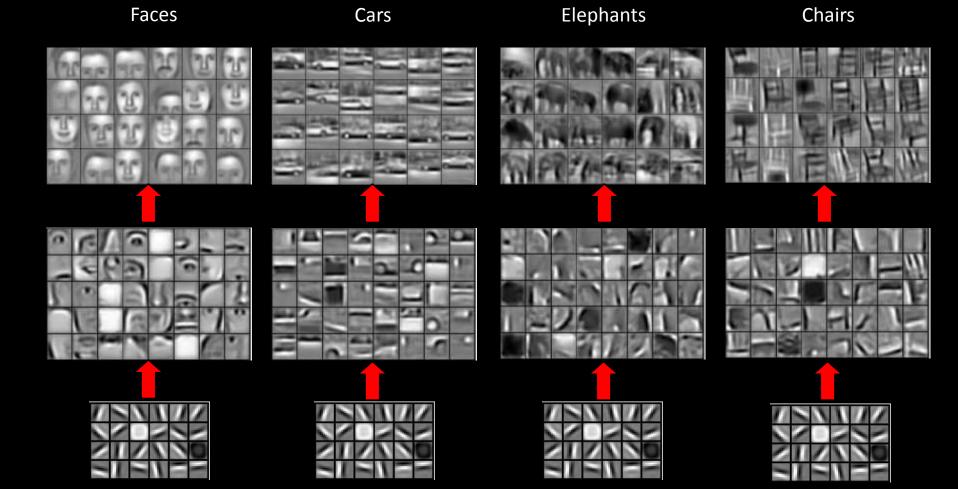
object parts (combination of edges)

edges

[Honglak Lee]

Hierarchical Sparse coding (Sparse DBN)

Features learned from training on different object classes.



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Machine learning applications

Video Activity recognition (Hollywood 2 benchmark)

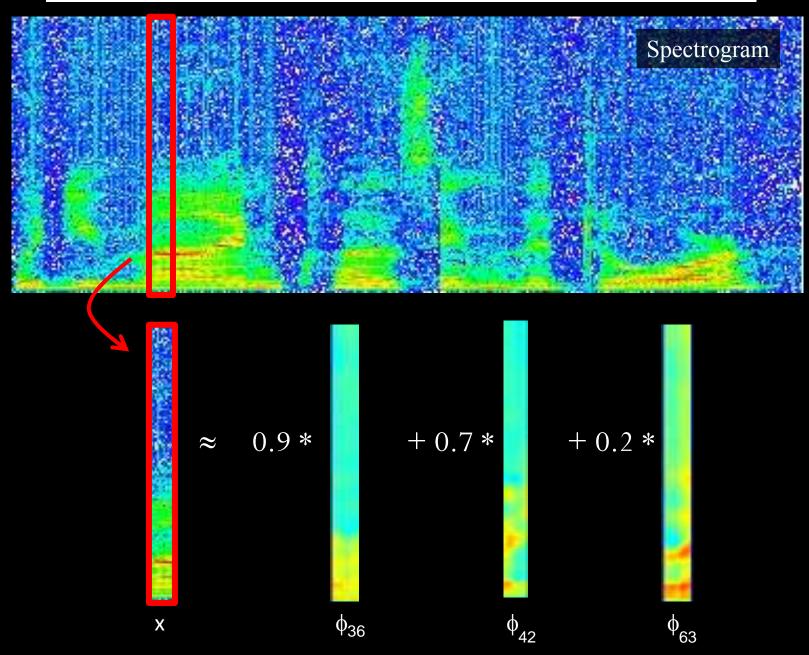


Method	Accuracy
Hessian + ESURF [Williems et al 2008]	38%
Harris3D + HOG/HOF [Laptev et al 2003, 2004]	45%
Cuboids + HOG/HOF [Dollar et al 2005, Laptev 2004]	46%
Hessian + HOG/HOF [Laptev 2004, Williems et al 2008]	46%
Dense + HOG / HOF [Laptev 2004]	47%
Cuboids + HOG3D [Klaser 2008, Dollar et al 2005]	46%
Unsupervised feature learning (our method)	52%

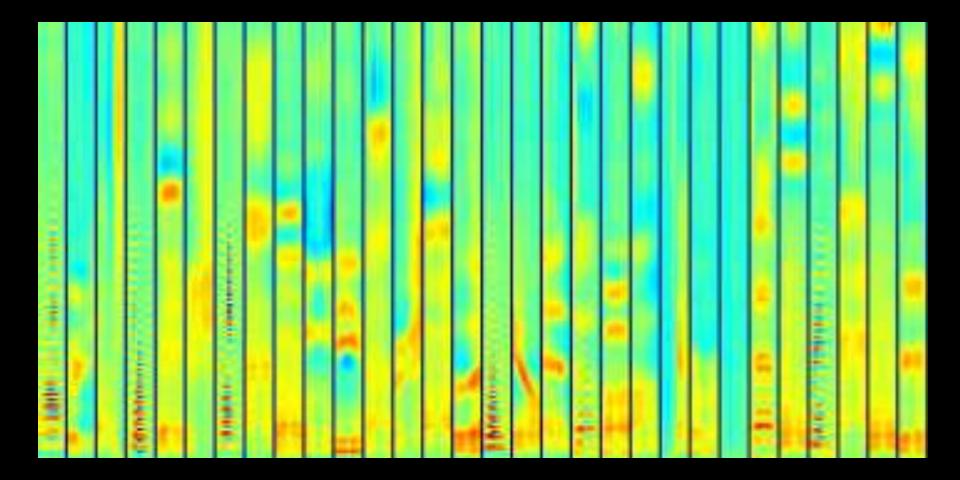
Unsupervised feature learning significantly improves on the previous state-of-the-art.

[Le, Zhou & Ng, 2011]

Sparse coding on audio (speech)



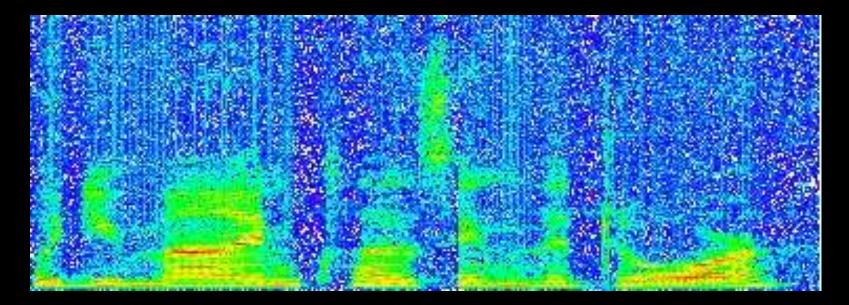
Dictionary of bases ϕ_i learned for speech



Many bases seem to correspond to phonemes.

[Honglak Lee]

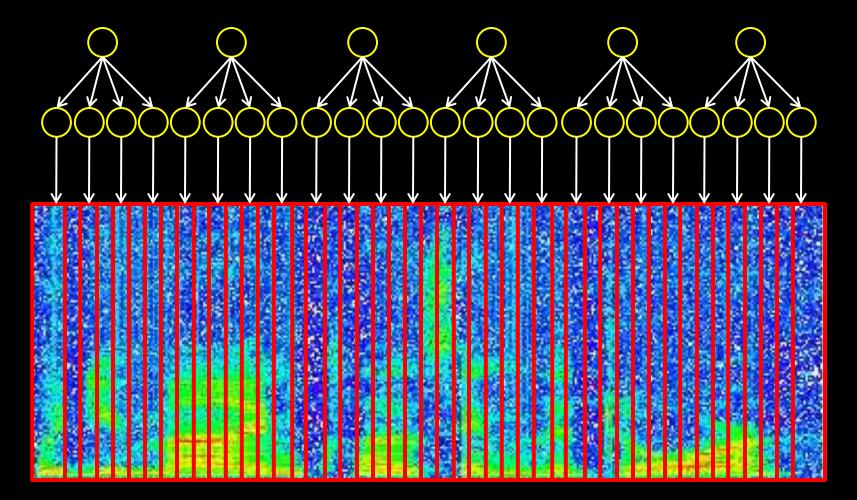
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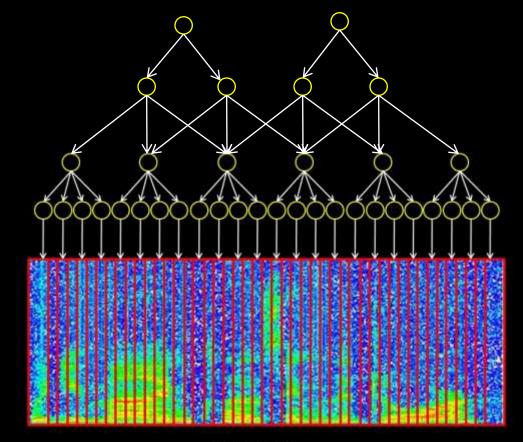
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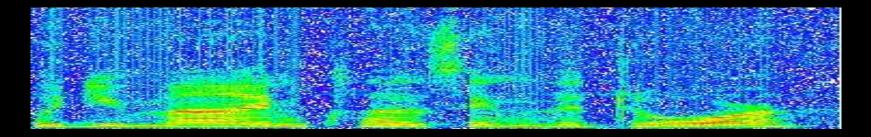
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Spectrogram

Phoneme Classification (TIMIT benchmark)



Method	Accuracy
Clarkson and Moreno (1999)	77.6%
Gunawardana et al. (2005)	78.3%
Sung et al. (2007)	78.5%
Petrov et al. (2007)	78.6%
Sha and Saul (2006)	78.9%
Yu et al. (2006)	79.2%
Unsupervised feature learning (our method)	80.3%

Unsupervised feature learning significantly improves on the previous state-of-the-art.

[Lee et al., 2009]

State-of-the-art Unsupervised feature learning

Images

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Stanford Feature learning	82.0%	Stanford Feature learning	95.0%

Video

Hollywood2 Classification	Accuracy	YouTube	Accuracy	
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Stanford Feature learning	53%	Stanford Feature learning	75.8%	
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Prior art (Wang et al., 2010)	92.1%	Prior art (Wang et al., 2010)	85.6%	
Stanford Feature learning	93.9%	Stanford Feature learning	86.5%	

Text/NLP

Paraphrase detection	Accuracy	Sentiment (MR/MPQA data)	Accuracy
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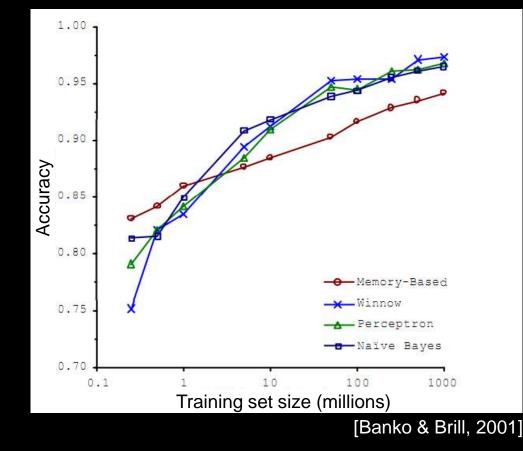
Multimodal (audio/video)		
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Technical challenge: Scaling up

Supervised Learning

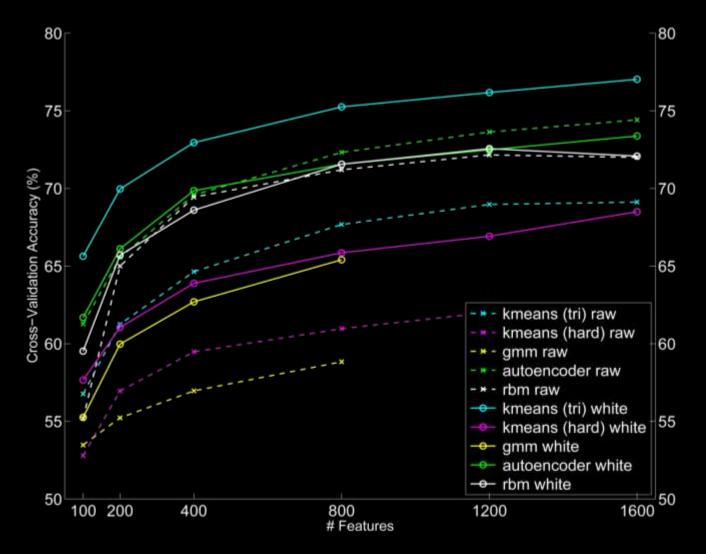
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 - -SVM
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- What matters the most?



"It's not who has the best algorithm that wins. It's who has the most data."

Scaling and classification accuracy (CIFAR-10)

Large numbers of features is critical. The specific learning algorithm is important, but ones that can scale to many features also have a big advantage.



[Adam Coates]

Significant effort spent on algorithmic tricks to get algorithms to run faster.

- Efficient sparse coding. [LeCun, Ng, Yu]
- Efficient posterior inference [Bengio, Hinton]
- Convolutional Networks. [Bengio, de Freitas, LeCun, Lee, Ng]
- Tiled Networks. [Hinton, Ng]
- Randomized/fast parameter search. [DiCarlo, Ng]
- Massive data synthesis. [LeCun, Schmidhuber]
- Massive embedding models [Bengio, Collobert, Hinton, Weston]
- Fast decoder algorithms. [LeCun, Lee, Ng, Yu]
- GPU, FPGA and ASIC implementations. [Dean, LeCun, Ng, Olukotun]

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Scaling up: Discovering object classes

[Quoc V. Le, Marc'Aurelio Ranzato, Rajat Monga, Greg Corrado, Matthieu Devin, Kai Chen, Jeff Dean]

Training procedure

What features can we learn if we train a massive model on a massive amount of data. Can we learn a "grandmother cell"?

- Train on 10 million images (YouTube)
- 1000 machines (16,000 cores) for 1 week.
- 1.15 billion parameters
- Test on novel images





Test set (FITW + ImageNet)

Training set (YouTube)

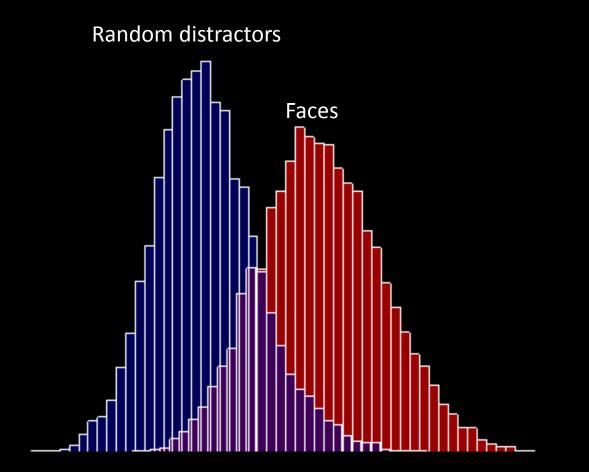
Face neuron



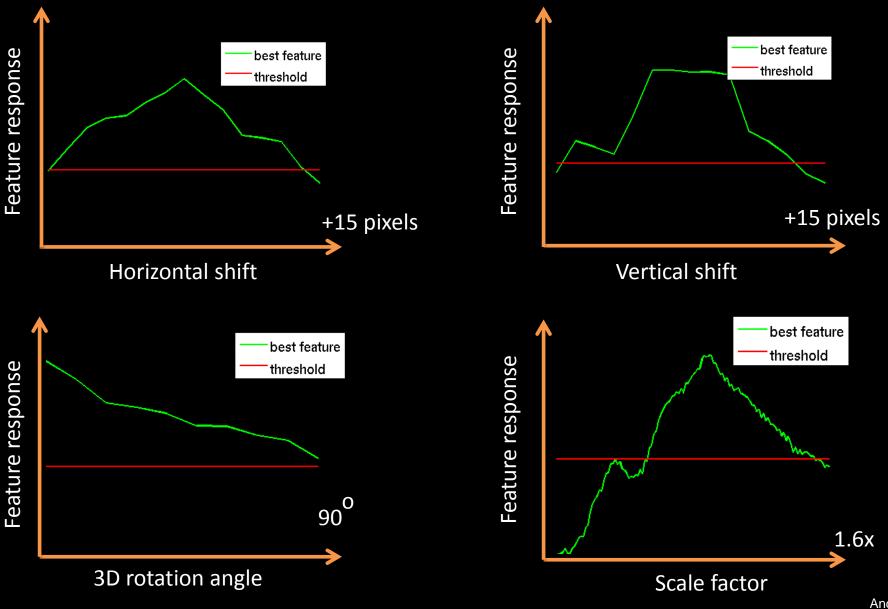
Top Stimuli from the test set

Optimal stimulus by numerical optimization





Invariance properties



Cat neuron

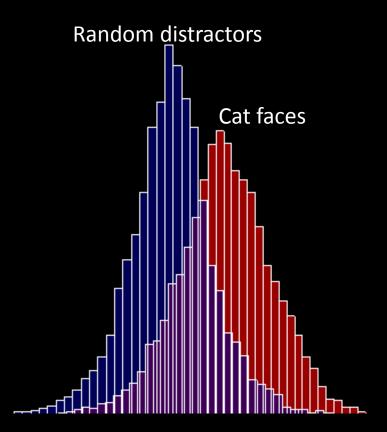


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Cat face neuron



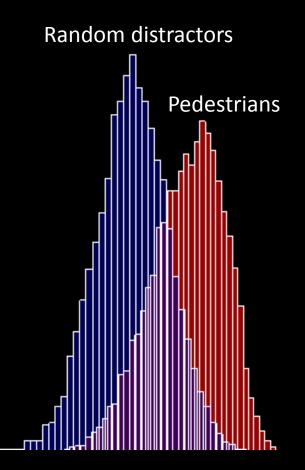
Visualization

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Pedestrian neuron



Weaknesses & Criticisms

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• You're learning everything. It's better to encode prior knowledge about structure of images (or audio, or text).

A: Wasn't there a similar machine learning vs. linguists debate in NLP ~20 years ago....

• Unsupervised feature learning cannot currently do X, where X is:

Go beyond Gabor (1 layer) features. Work on temporal data (video). Learn hierarchical representations (compositional semantics). Get state-of-the-art in activity recognition. Get state-of-the-art on image classification. Get state-of-the-art on object detection. Learn variable-size representations.

A: Many of these were true, but not anymore (were not fundamental weaknesses). There's still work to be done though!

• We don't understand the learned features.

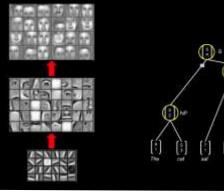
A: True. Though many vision/audio/etc. features also suffer from this (e.g, concatenations/combinations of different features).

Conclusion

Unsupervised Feature Learning Summary

- Deep Learning and Self-Taught learning: Lets learn rather than manually design our features.
- Discover the fundamental computational principles that underlie perception?
- Sparse coding and deep versions very successful on vision and audio tasks. Other variants for learning recursive representations.
- To get this to work for yourself, see online tutorial: http://deeplearning.stanford.edu/wiki





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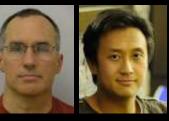
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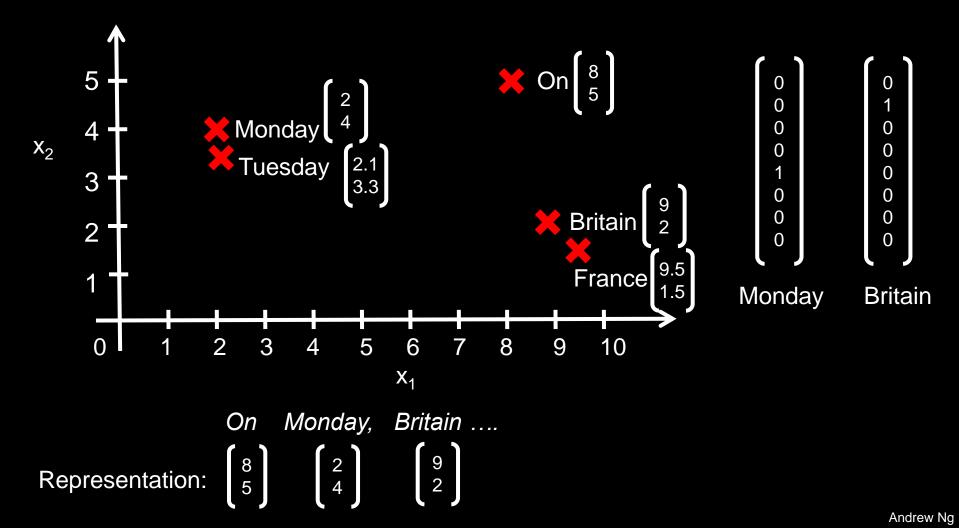
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Learning Recursive Representations

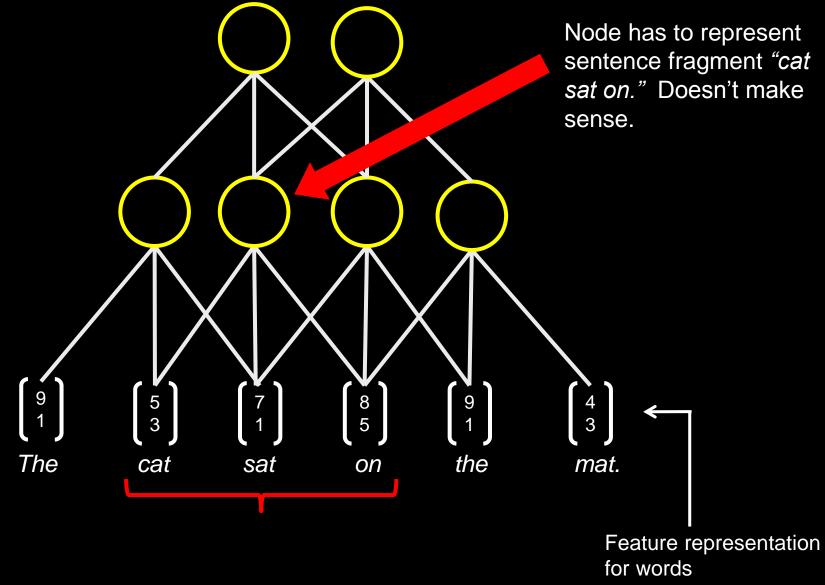
Feature representations of words

Imagine taking each word, and computing an n-dimensional feature vector for it. [Distributional representations, or Bengio et al., 2003, Collobert & Weston, 2008.]

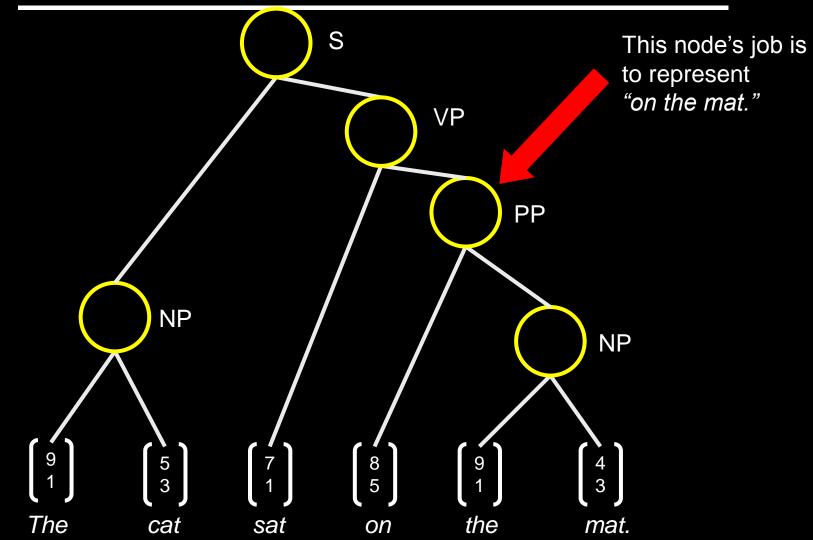
2-d embedding example below, but in practice use ~100-d embeddings.



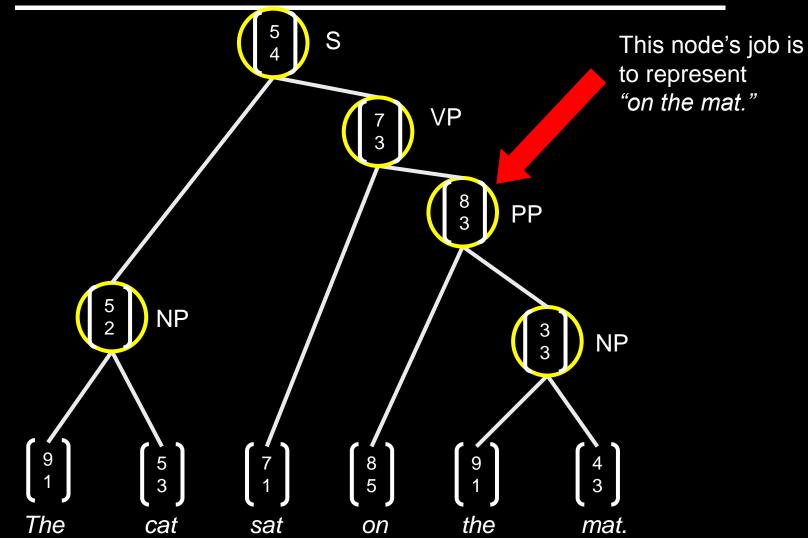
"Generic" hierarchy on text doesn't make sense



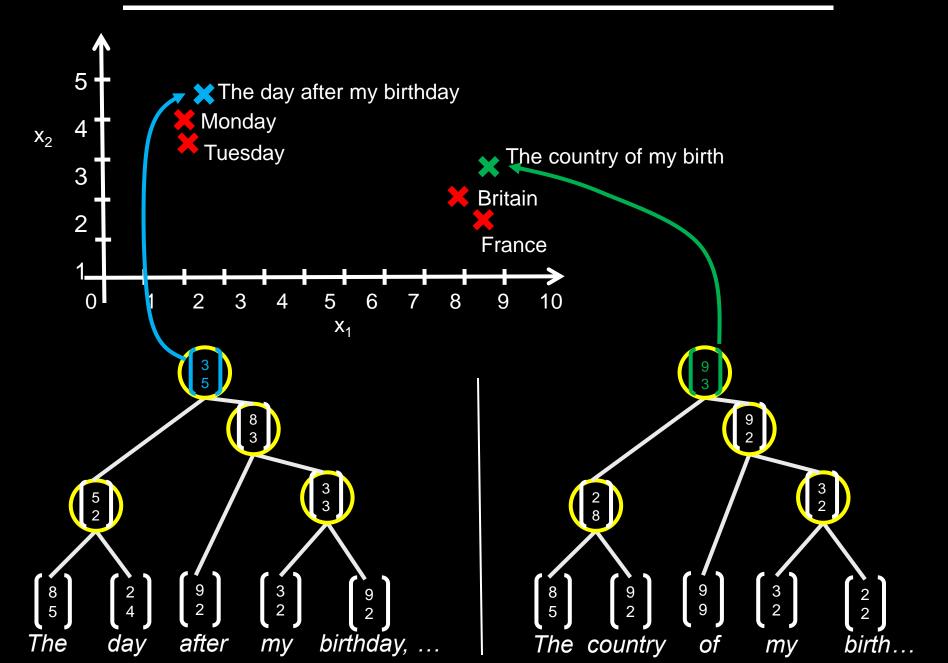
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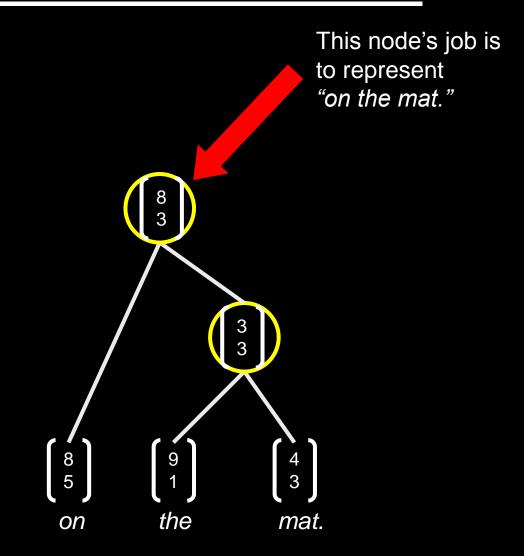
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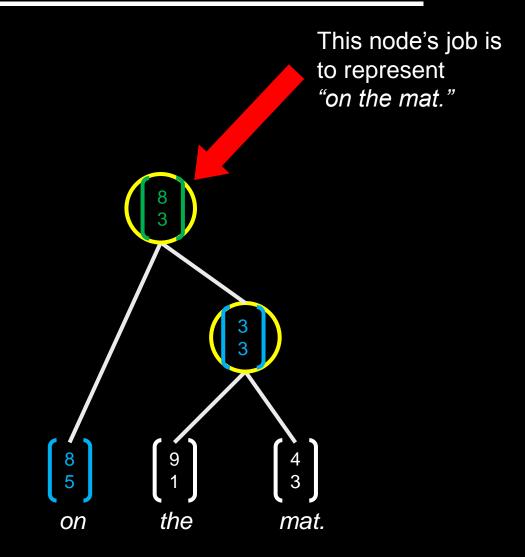
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Learning recursive representations



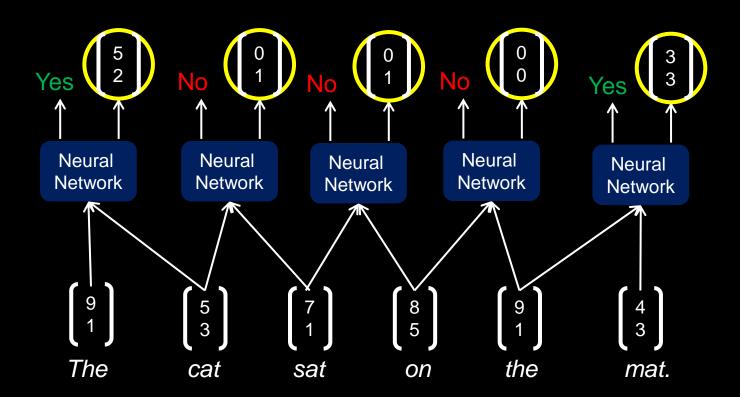
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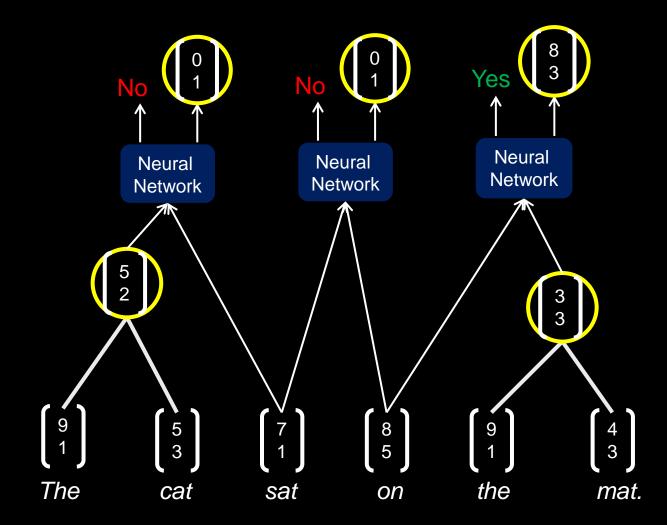
Learning recursive representations

Basic computational unit: Neural Network This node's job is that inputs two candidate children's to represent "on the mat." representations, and outputs: • Whether we should merge the two nodes. • The semantic representation if the two nodes are merged. "Yes Neural Network 8 the mat. on 8 3

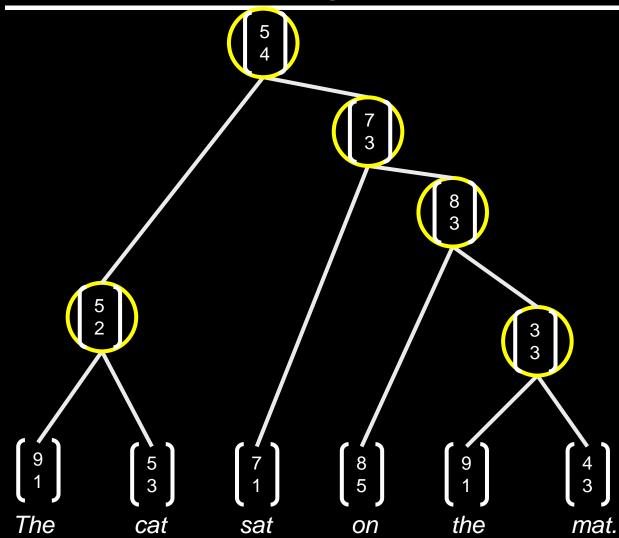
Parsing a sentence



Parsing a sentence



Parsing a sentence



Finding Similar Sentences

- Each sentence has a feature vector representation.
- Pick a sentence ("center sentence") and list nearest neighbor sentences.
- Often either semantically or syntactically similar. (Digits all mapped to 2.)

Similarities	Center Sentence	Nearest Neighbor Sentences (most similar feature vector)	
Bad News	Both took further hits yesterday	 We 're in for a lot of turbulence BSN currently has 2.2 million common shares outstanding This is panic buying We have a couple or three tough weeks coming 	
Something said	I had calls all night long from the States, he said	 Our intent is to promote the best alternative, he says We have sufficient cash flow to handle that, he said Currently, average pay for machinists is 22.22 an hour, Boeing said Profit from trading for its own account dropped, the securities firm said 	
Gains and good news	Fujisawa gained 22 to 2,222	 Mochida advanced 22 to 2,222 Commerzbank gained 2 to 222.2 Paris loved her at first sight Profits improved across Hess's businesses 	
Unknown words	Columbia , S.C	1. Greenville , Miss	

Finding Similar Sentences

Similarities	Center Sentence	Nearest Neighbor Sentences (most similar feature vector)
Declining to comment = not disclosing	Hess declined to comment	 PaineWebber declined to comment Phoenix declined to comment Campeau declined to comment Coastal wouldn't disclose the terms
Large changes in sales or revenue	Sales grew almost 2 % to 222.2 million from 222.2 million	 Sales surged 22 % to 222.22 billion yen from 222.22 billion Revenue fell 2 % to 2.22 billion from 2.22 billion Sales rose more than 2 % to 22.2 million from 22.2 million Volume was 222.2 million shares , more than triple recent levels
Negation of different types	There's nothing unusual about business groups pushing for more government spending	 We don't think at this point anything needs to be said It therefore makes no sense for each market to adopt different circuit breakers You can't say the same with black and white I don't think anyone left the place UNK UNK
People in bad situations	We were lucky	 It was chaotic We were wrong People had died

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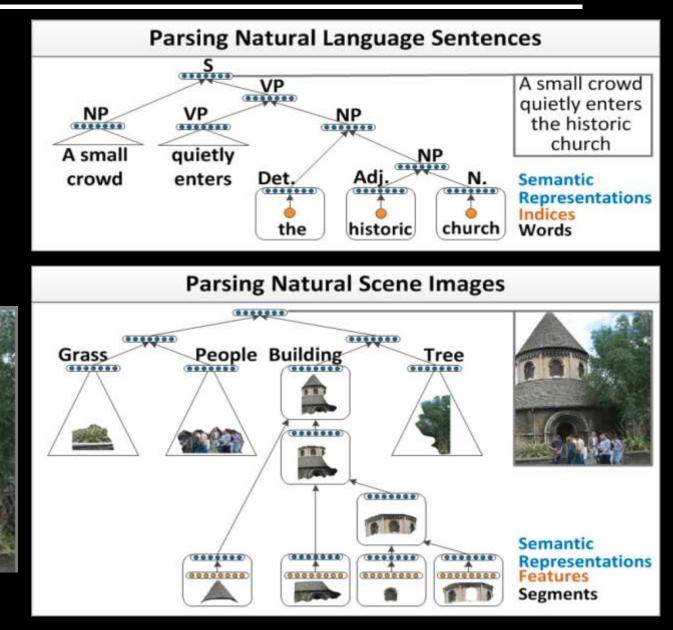
• Task: Decide whether or not two sentences are paraphrases of each other. (MSR Paraphrase Corpus)

Method	F1
Baseline	79.9
Rus et al., (2008)	80.5
Mihalcea et al., (2006)	81.3
Islam et al. (2007)	81.3
Qiu et al. (2006)	81.6
Fernando & Stevenson (2008) (WordNet based features)	82.4
Das et al. (2009)	82.7
Wan et al (2006) (many features: POS, parsing, BLEU, etc.)	83.0
Stanford Feature Learning	83.4

Parsing sentences and parsing images

A small crowd quietly enters the historic church.

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Nearest neighbor examples for image patches

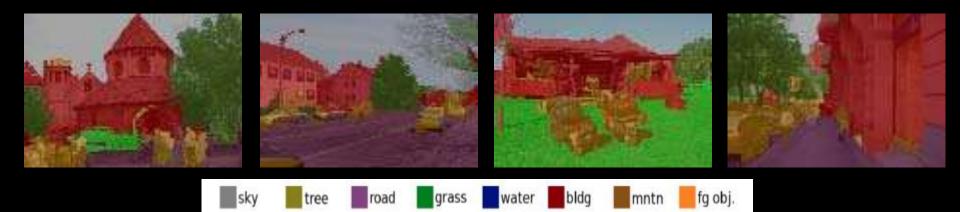
- Each node (e.g., set of merged superpixels) in the hierarchy has a feature vector.
- Select a node ("center patch") and list nearest neighbor nodes.
- I.e., what image patches/superpixels get mapped to similar features?



Selected patch

Nearest Neighbors

Multi-class segmentation (Stanford background dataset)



Method	Accuracy
Pixel CRF (Gould et al., ICCV 2009)	74.3
Classifier on superpixel features	75.9
Region-based energy (Gould et al., ICCV 2009)	76.4
Local labelling (Tighe & Lazebnik, ECCV 2010)	76.9
Superpixel MRF (Tighe & Lazebnik, ECCV 2010)	77.5
Simultaneous MRF (Tighe & Lazebnik, ECCV 2010)	77.5
Stanford Feature learning (our method)	78.1

Multi-class Segmentation MSRC dataset: 21 Classes



Methods	Accuracy
TextonBoost (Shotton et al., ECCV 2006)	72.2
Framework over mean-shift patches (Yang et al., CVPR 2007)	75.1
Pixel CRF (Gould et al., ICCV 2009)	75.3
Region-based energy (Gould et al., IJCV 2008)	76.5
Stanford Feature learning (out method)	76.7

Analysis of feature learning algorithms

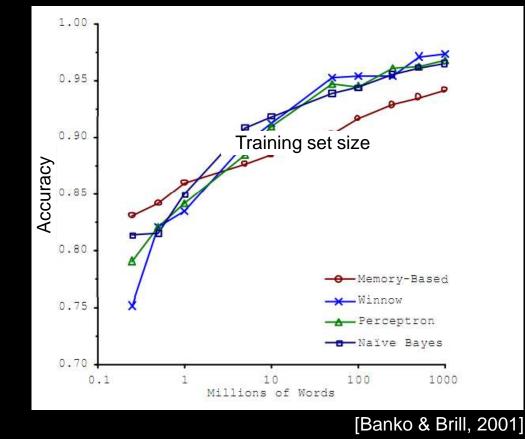




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Supervised Learning

- Choices of learning algorithm:
 - Memory based
 - Winnow
 - Perceptron
 - Naïve Bayes
 - -SVM
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- What matters the most?



"It's not who has the best algorithm that wins. It's who has the most data."

- Many choices in feature learning algorithms;
 - Sparse coding, RBM, autoencoder, etc.
 - Pre-processing steps (whitening)
 - Number of features learned
 - -Various hyperparameters.
- What matters the most?

Most algorithms learn Gabor-like edge detectors.



Sparse auto-encoder

Weights learned with and without whitening.



without whitening



Sparse auto-encoder

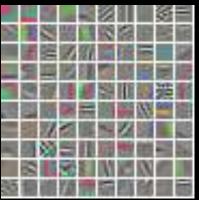


without whitening



Sparse RBM

with whitening



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Gaussian mixture model

with whitening

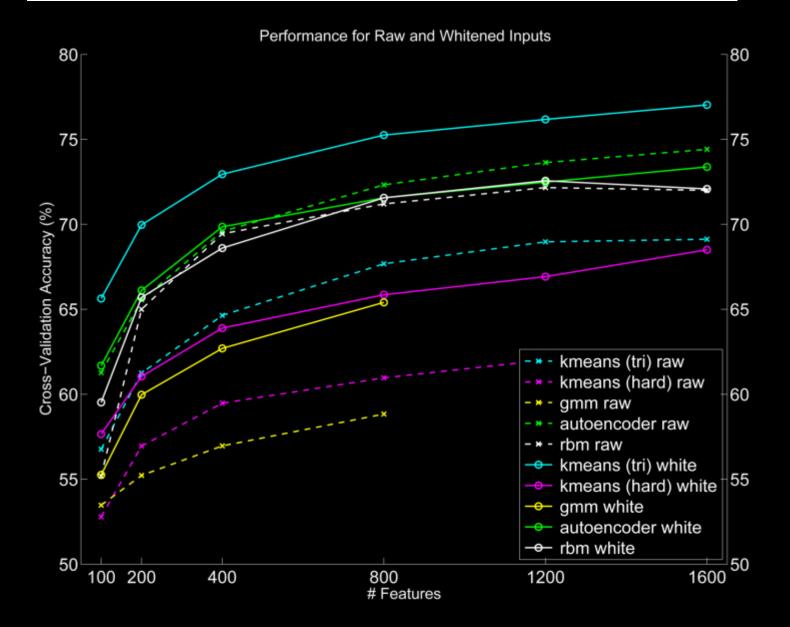


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K-means

Scaling and classification accuracy (CIFAR-10)



Results on CIFAR-10 and NORB (old result)

- K-means achieves state-of-the-art
 - Scalable, fast and almost parameter-free, K-means does surprisingly well.

CIFAR-10 Test accuracy		NORB Test accuracy (error)	
Raw pixels	37.3%	Convolutional Neural Networks	93.4% (6.6%)
RBM with back-propagation	64.8%	Deep Boltzmann Machines	92.8% (7.2%)
3-Way Factored RBM (3 layers)	65.3%	Deep Belief Networks	95.0% (5.0%)
Mean-covariance RBM (3 layers)	71.0%	Jarrett et al., 2009	94.4% (5.6%)
Improved Local Coordinate Coding	74.5%	Sparse auto-encoder	96.9% (3.1%)
Convolutional RBM	78.9%	Sparse RBM	96.2% (3.8%)
Sparse auto-encoder	73.4%	K-means (Hard)	96.9% (3.1%)
Sparse RBM	72.4%	K-means (Triangle)	97.0% (3.0%)
K-means (Hard)	68.6%		
K-means (Triangle, 1600 features)	77.9%		
K-means (Triangle, 4000 features)	79.6%		

Tiled Convolution Neural Networks



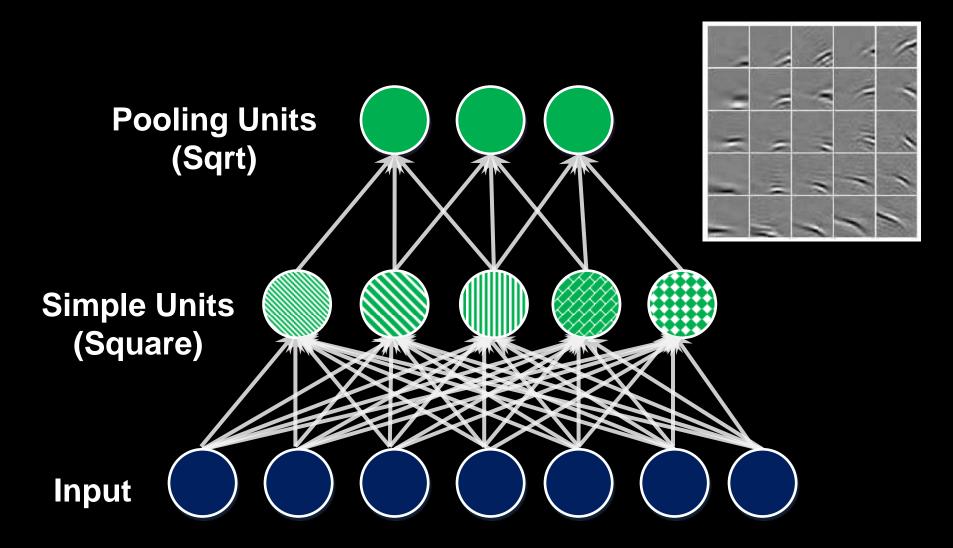


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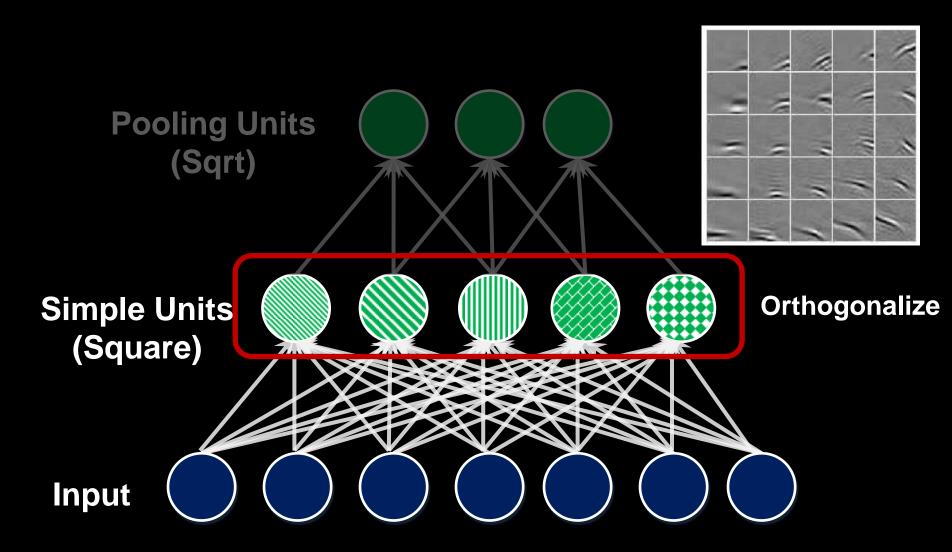
- We want to learn invariant features.
- Convolutional networks uses weight tying to:
 - Reduce number of weights that need to be learned. \rightarrow Allows scaling to larger images/models.
 - Hard code translation invariance. Makes it harder to learn more complex types of invariances.
- Goal: Preserve computational scaling advantage of convolutional nets, but learn more complex invariances.

Fully Connected Topographic ICA



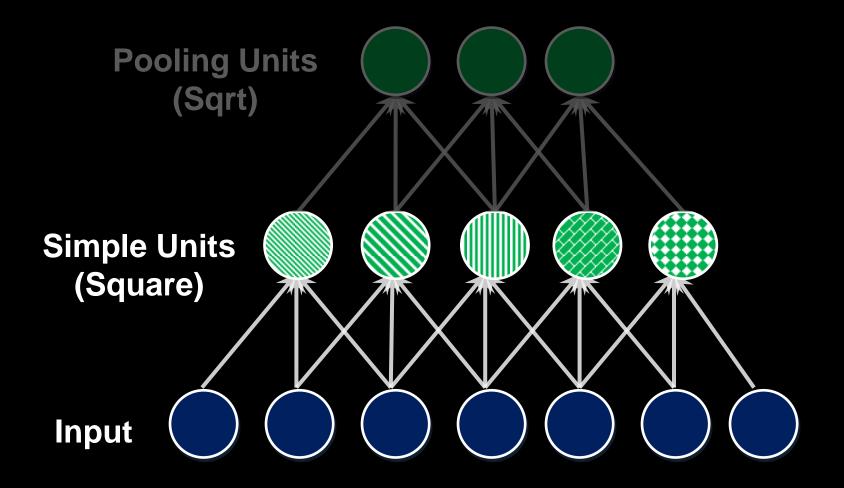
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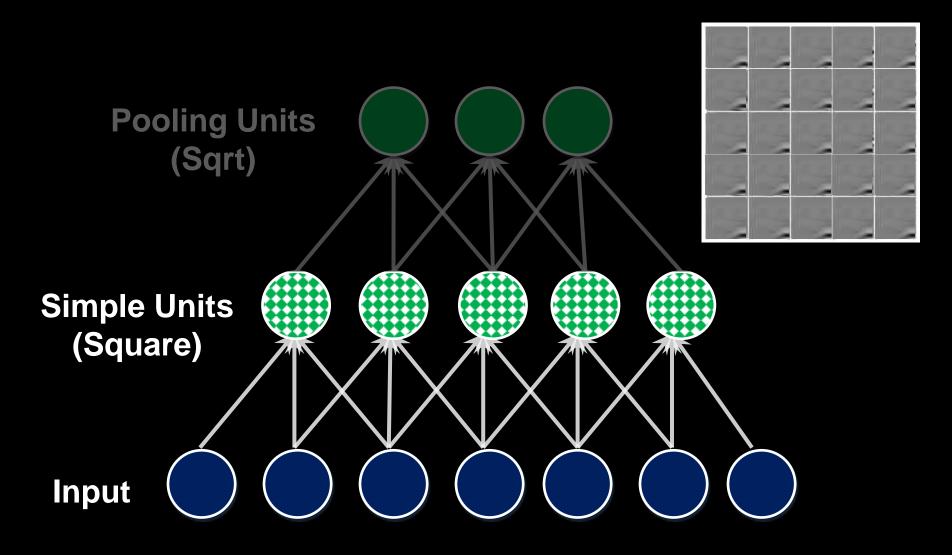


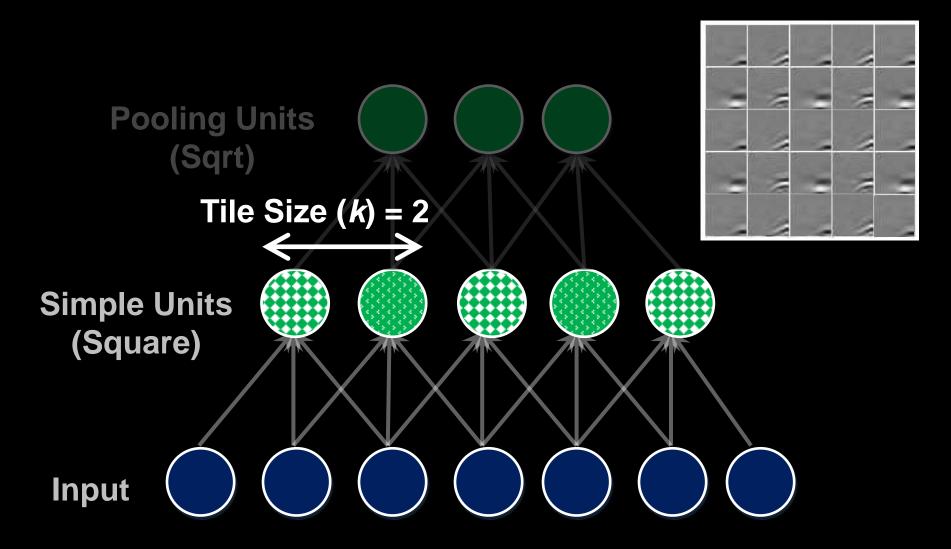
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Local Receptive Fields

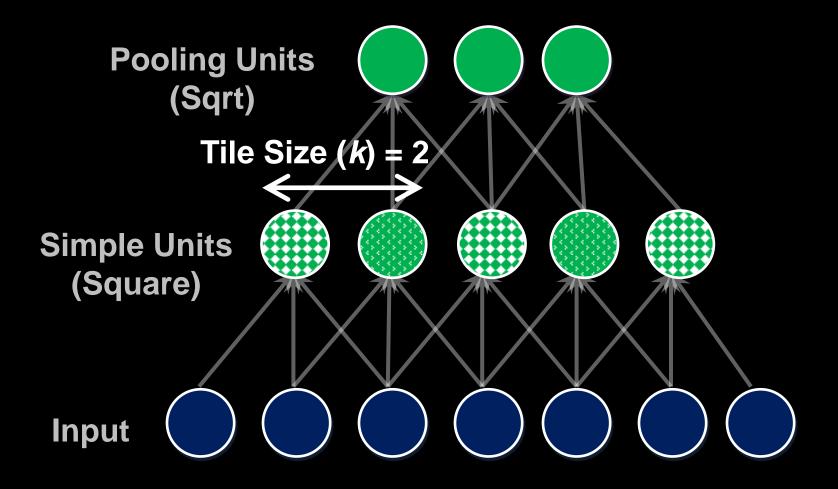


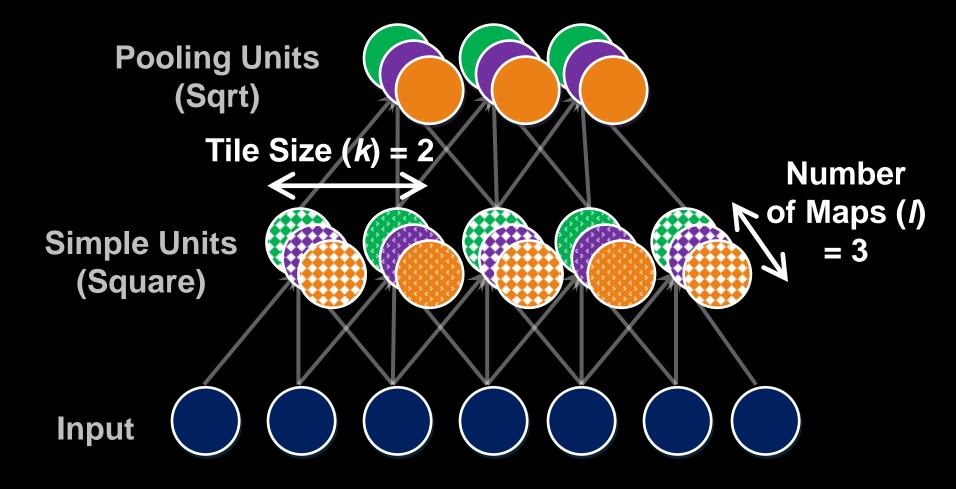
Convolution Neural Networks (Weight Tying)

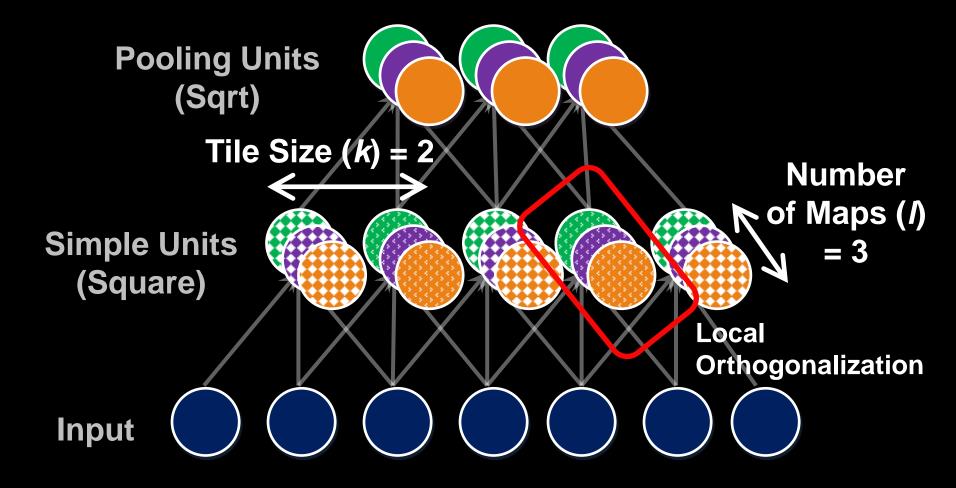




Local pooling can capture complex invariances (not just translation); but total number of parameters is small.







NORB and CIFAR-10 results

Algorithms	NORB Accuracy	
Deep Tiled CNNs [this work]	96.1%	
CNNs [Huang & LeCun, 2006]	94.1%	
3D Deep Belief Networks [Nair & Hinton, 2009]	93.5%	
Deep Boltzmann Machines [Salakhutdinov & Hinton, 2009]	92.8%	
TICA [Hyvarinen et al., 2001]	89.6%	
SVMs	88.4%	

Algorithms	CIFAR-10 Accuracy
Improved LCC [Yu et al., 2010]	74.5%
Deep Tiled CNNs [this work]	73.1%
LCC [Yu et al., 2010]	72.3%
mcRBMs [Ranzato & Hinton, 2010]	71.0%
Best of all RBMs [Krizhevsky, 2009]	64.8%
TICA [Hyvarinen et al., 2001]	56.1%

Summary/Big ideas

- Large scale brain simulations as revisiting of the big "AI dream."
- "Deep learning" has had two big ideas:
 - Learning multiple layers of representation
 - Learning features from unlabeled data
- Has worked well so far in two regimes (confusing to outsiders):
 - Lots of labeled data. "Train the heck out of the network."
 - Unsupervised Feature Learning/Self-Taught learning
- Scalability is important.
- Detailed tutorial: http://deeplearning.stanford.edu

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