

Robust nonnegative matrix factorisation with the β -divergence and applications in imaging

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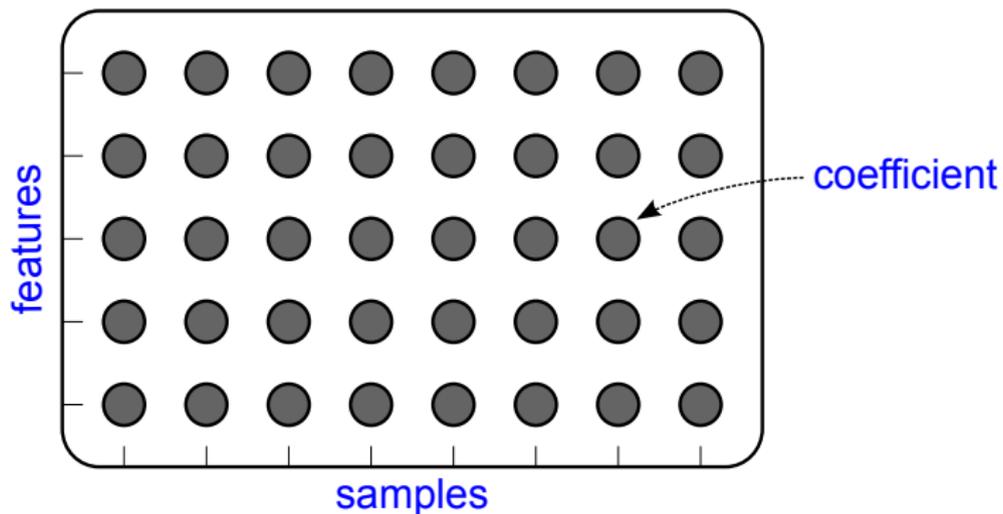
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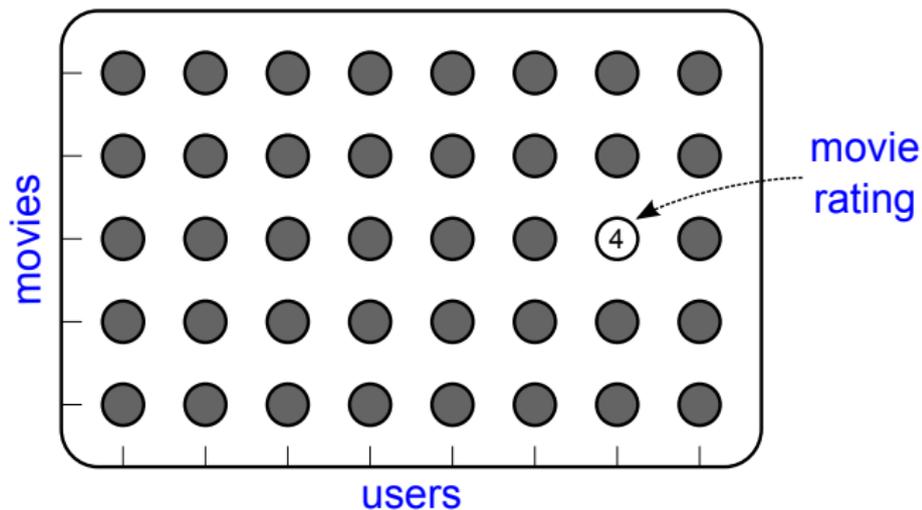
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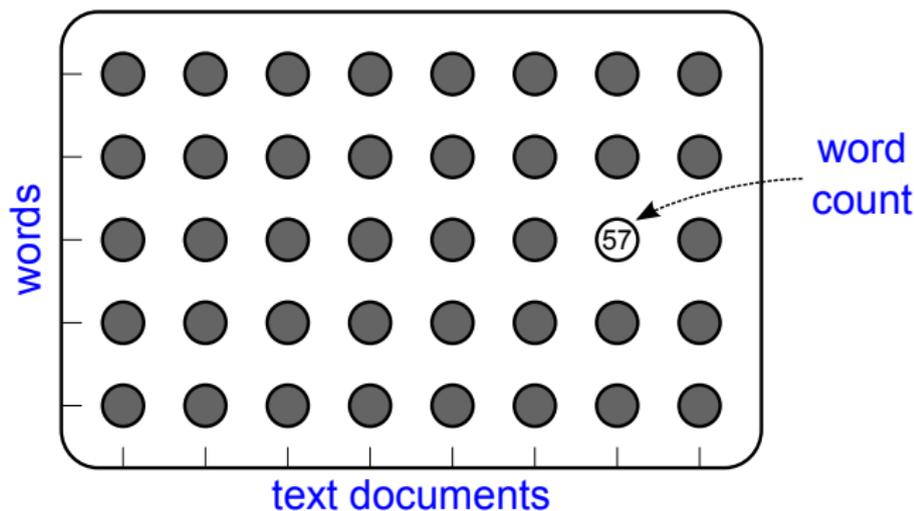
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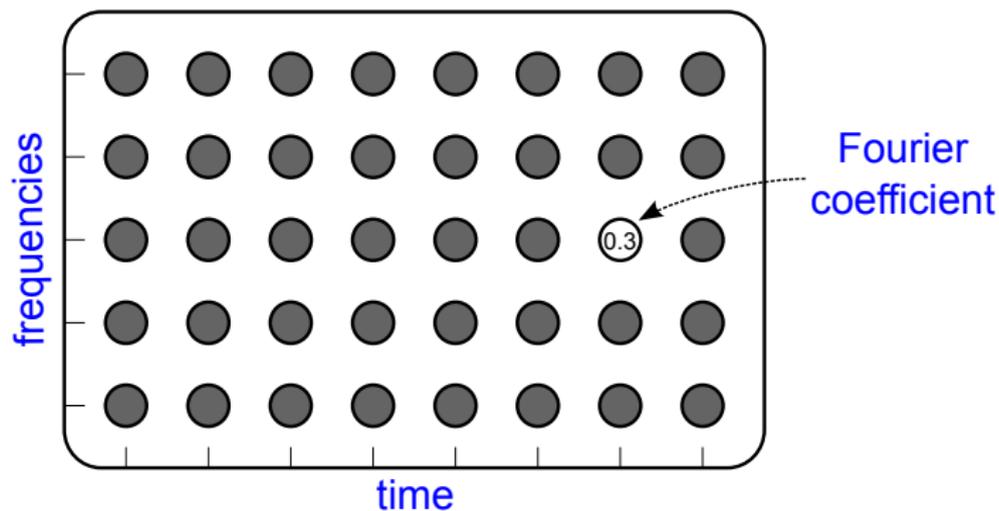
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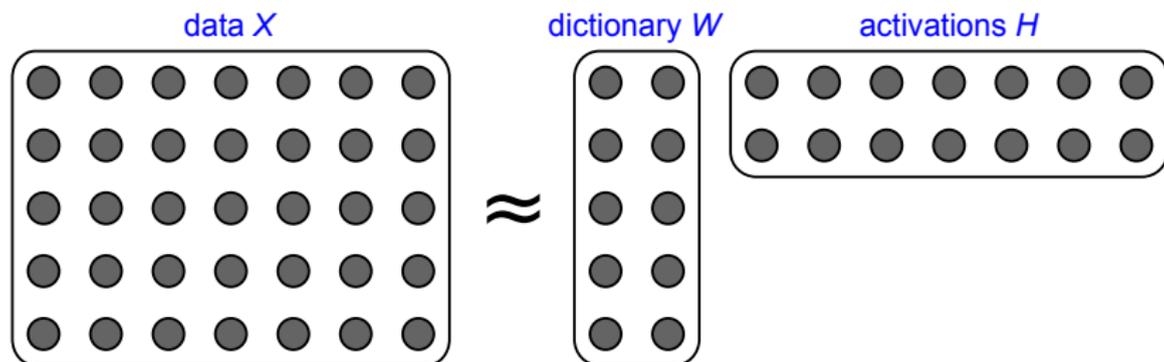
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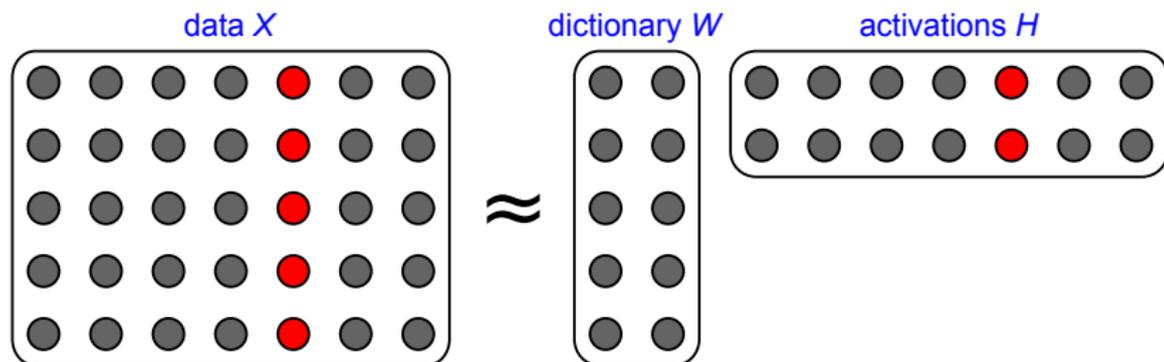
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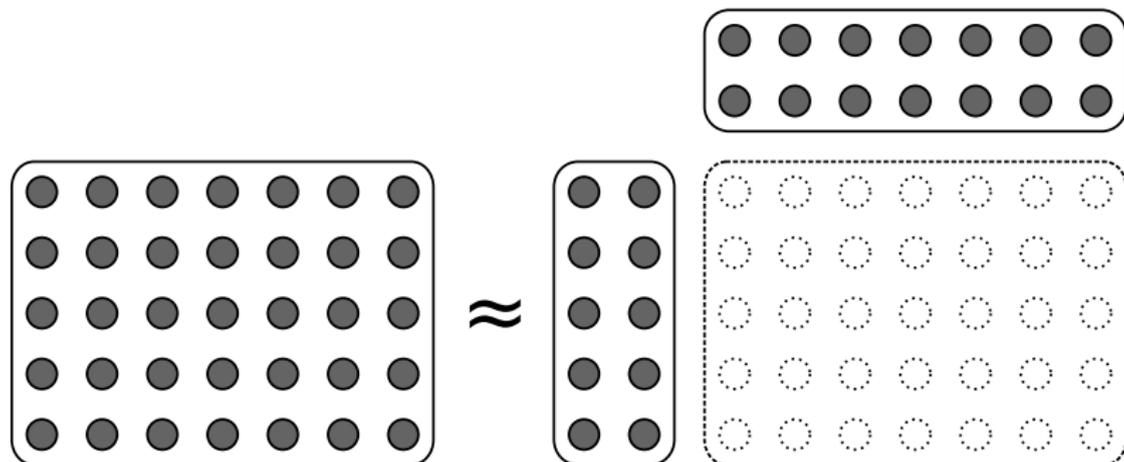
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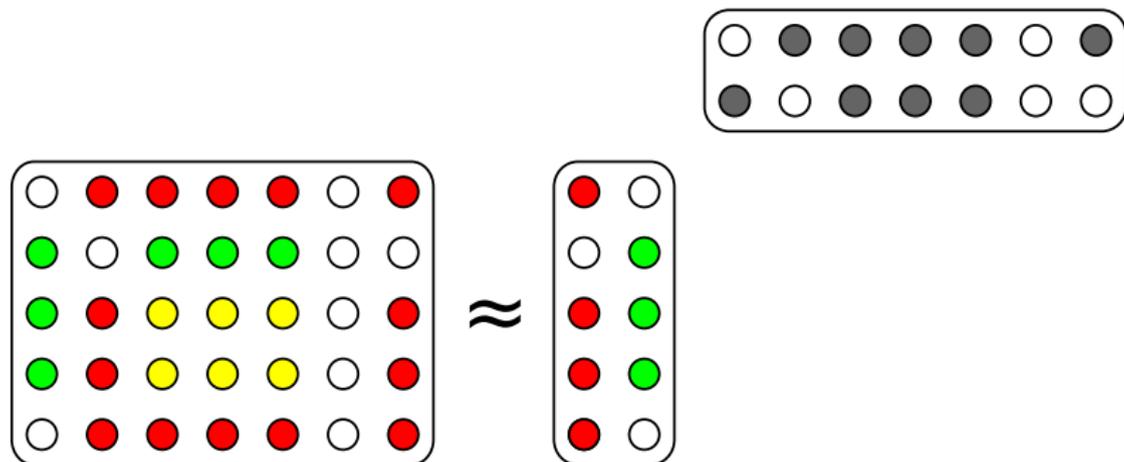
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for **dimensionality reduction** (coding, low-dimensional embedding)



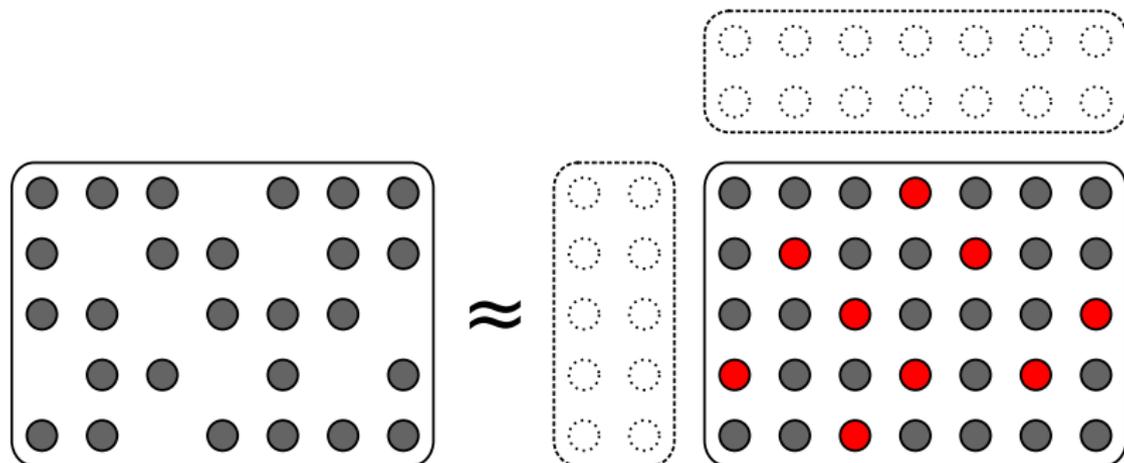
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for **unmixing** (source separation, latent topic discovery)

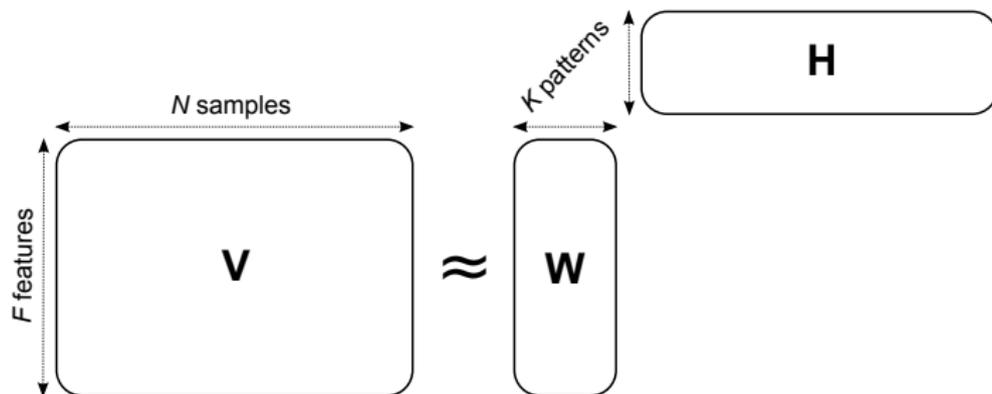


Matrix factorisation models

for **interpolation** (collaborative filtering, image inpainting)



Nonnegative matrix factorisation

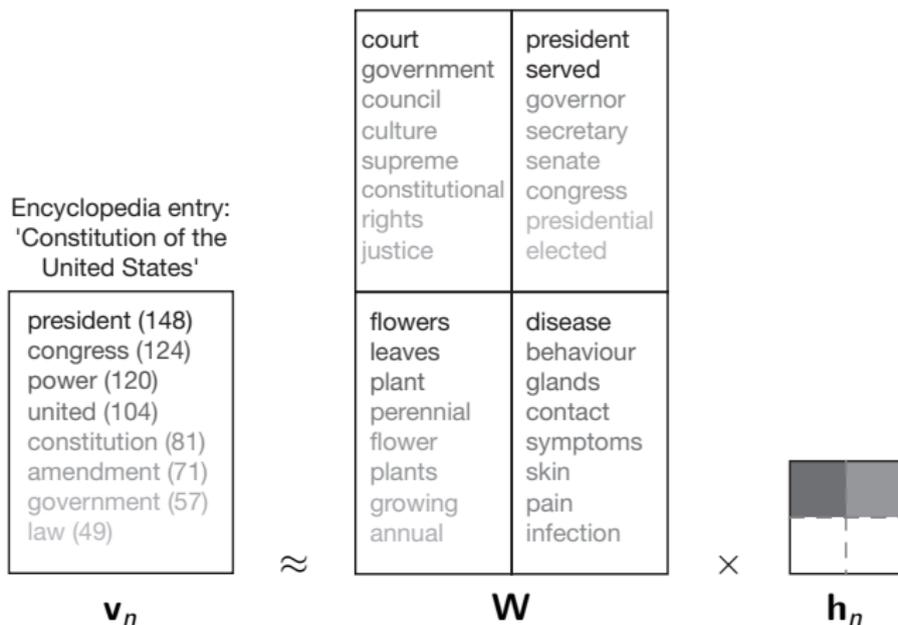


- ▶ data \mathbf{V} and factors \mathbf{W} , \mathbf{H} have **nonnegative entries**.
- ▶ nonnegativity of \mathbf{W} ensures **interpretability of the dictionary**, because patterns \mathbf{w}_k and samples \mathbf{v}_n belong to the same space.
- ▶ nonnegativity of \mathbf{H} tends to produce **part-based representations**, because subtractive combinations are forbidden.

Early work by (Paatero and Tapper, 1994), landmark *Nature* paper by (Lee and Seung, 1999)

NMF for latent semantic analysis

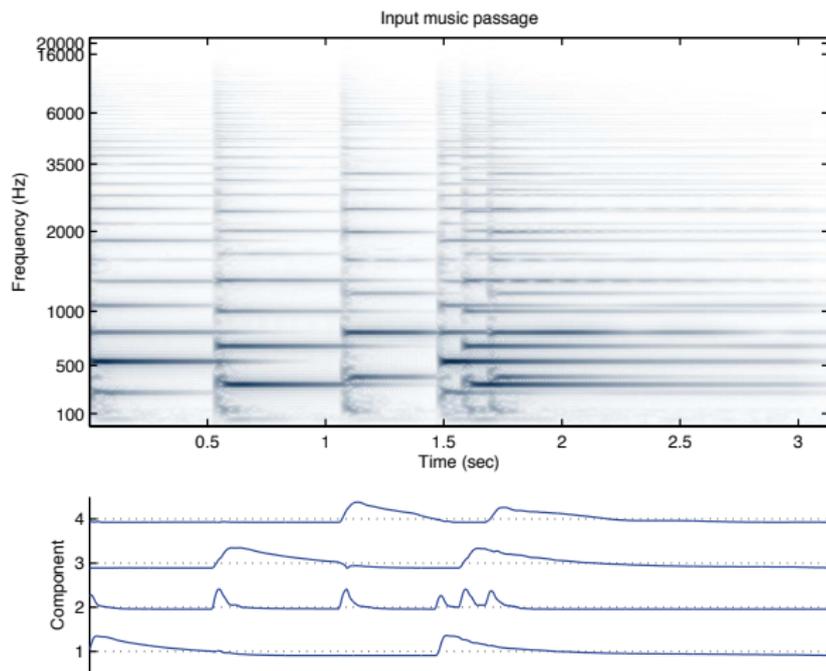
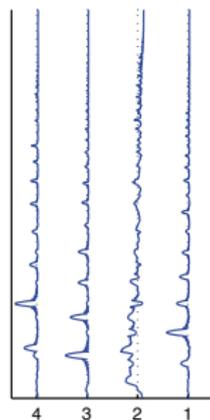
(Lee and Seung, 1999; Hofmann, 1999)



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NMF for audio spectral unmixing

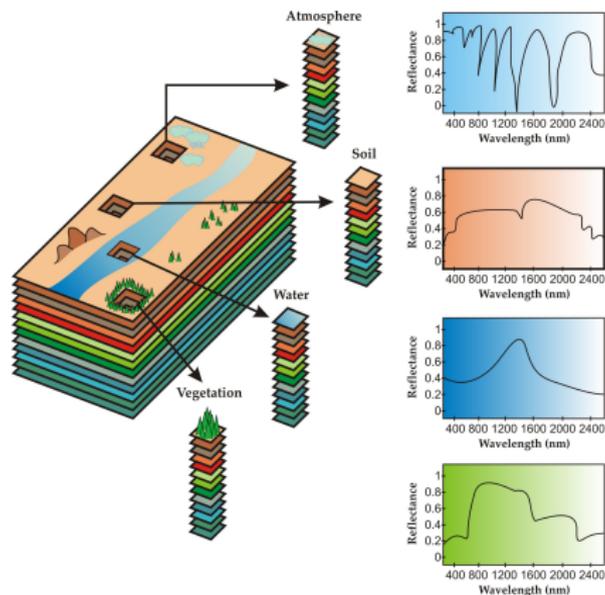
(Smaragdis and Brown, 2003)



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NMF for hyperspectral unmixing

(Berry, Browne, Langville, Pauca, and Plemmons, 2007)



reproduced from (Bioucas-Dias et al., 2012)

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NMF as a constrained minimisation problem

Minimise a measure of fit between \mathbf{V} and \mathbf{WH} , subject to nonnegativity:

$$\min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H} \geq 0} D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) = \sum_{fn} d([\mathbf{V}]_{fn} | [\mathbf{WH}]_{fn}),$$

where $d(x|y)$ is a scalar cost function, e.g.,

- ▶ squared Euclidean distance (Paatero and Tapper, 1994; Lee and Seung, 2001)
- ▶ Kullback-Leibler divergence (Lee and Seung, 1999; Finesso and Spreij, 2006)
- ▶ Itakura-Saito divergence (Févotte, Bertin, and Durrieu, 2009)
- ▶ α -divergence (Cichocki et al., 2008)
- ▶ β -divergence (Cichocki et al., 2006; Févotte and Idier, 2011)
- ▶ Bregman divergences (Dhillon and Sra, 2005)
- ▶ and more in (Yang and Oja, 2011)

Regularisation terms often added to $D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH})$ for sparsity, smoothness, dynamics, etc.

Nonconvex problem.

Probabilistic models

- ▶ Let $\mathbf{V} \sim p(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH})$ such that
 - ▶ $E[\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}] = \mathbf{WH}$
 - ▶ $p(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) = \prod_{fn} p(v_{fn} | [\mathbf{WH}]_{fn})$
- ▶ then the following correspondences apply with

$$D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) = -\log p(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) + \text{cst}$$

data support	distribution/noise	divergence	examples
real-valued	additive Gaussian	squared Euclidean	many
integer	multinomial*	weighted KL	word counts
integer	Poisson	generalised KL	photon counts
nonnegative	multiplicative Gamma	Itakura-Saito	spectrogram
generally nonnegative	Tweedie	β -divergence	generalises above models

*conditional independence over f does not apply

The β -divergence

A popular measure of fit in NMF (Basu et al., 1998; Cichocki and Amari, 2010)

$$d_{\beta}(x|y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta(\beta-1)} (x^{\beta} + (\beta-1)y^{\beta} - \beta x y^{\beta-1}) & \beta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 1\} \\ x \log \frac{x}{y} + (y-x) & \beta = 1 \\ \frac{x}{y} - \log \frac{x}{y} - 1 & \beta = 0 \end{cases}$$

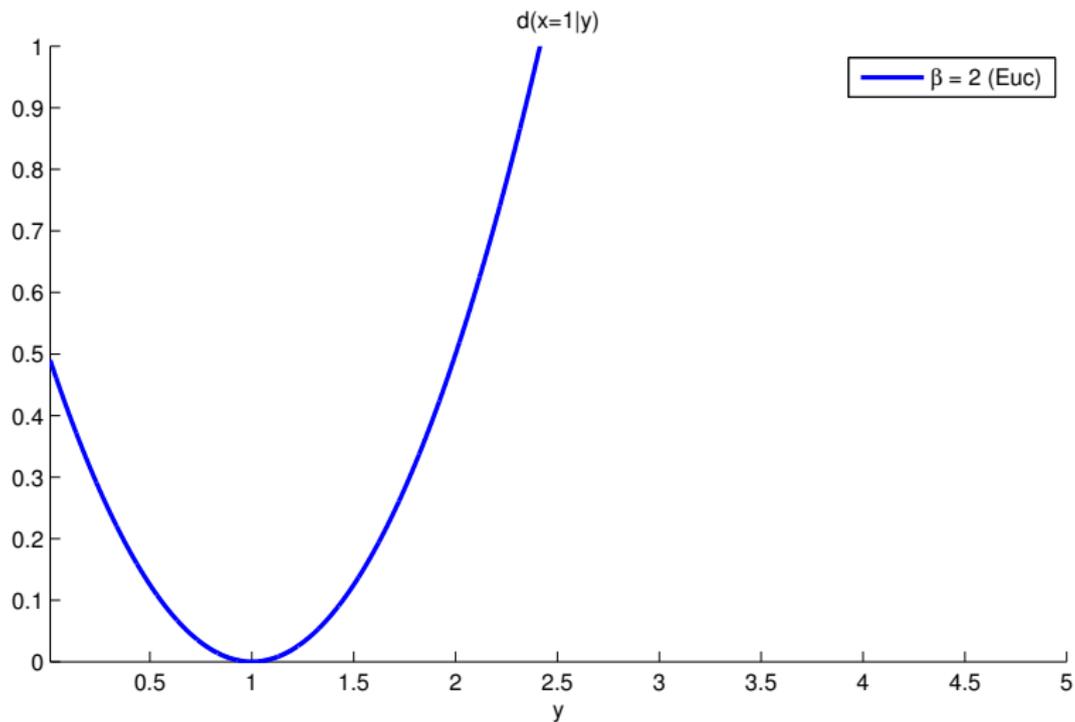
Special cases:

- ▶ squared **Euclidean** distance ($\beta = 2$)
- ▶ generalised **Kullback-Leibler** (KL) divergence ($\beta = 1$)
- ▶ **Itakura-Saito** (IS) divergence ($\beta = 0$)

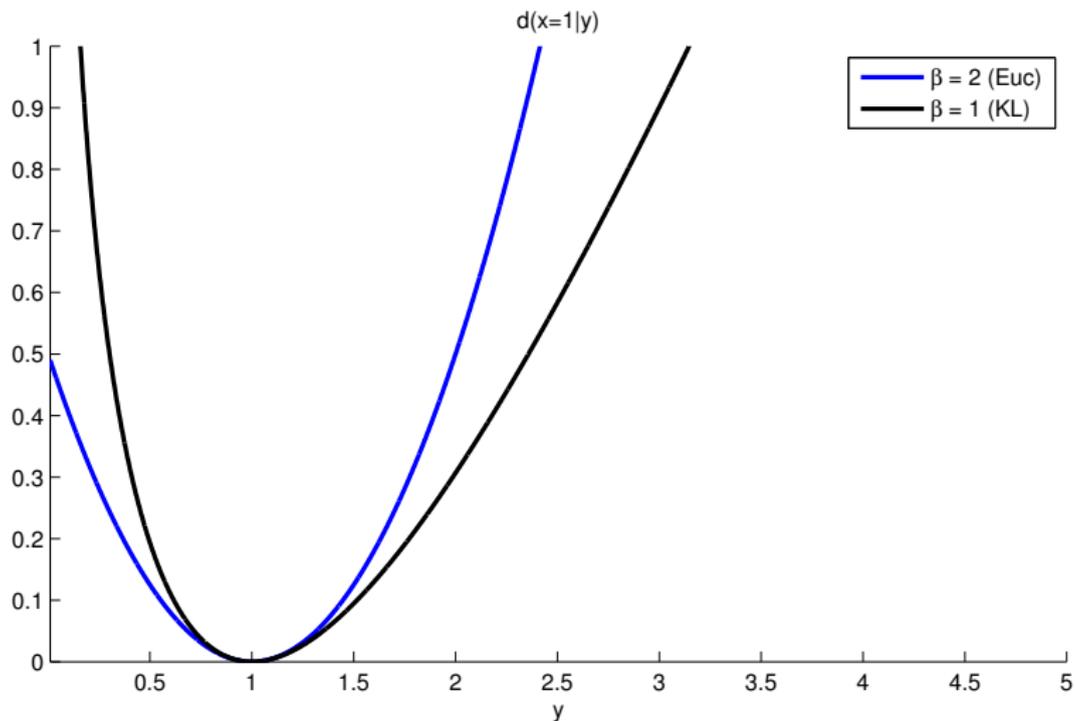
Properties:

- ▶ **Homogeneity**: $d_{\beta}(\lambda x | \lambda y) = \lambda^{\beta} d_{\beta}(x|y)$
- ▶ $d_{\beta}(x|y)$ is a **convex** function of y for $1 \leq \beta \leq 2$
- ▶ **Bregman** divergence

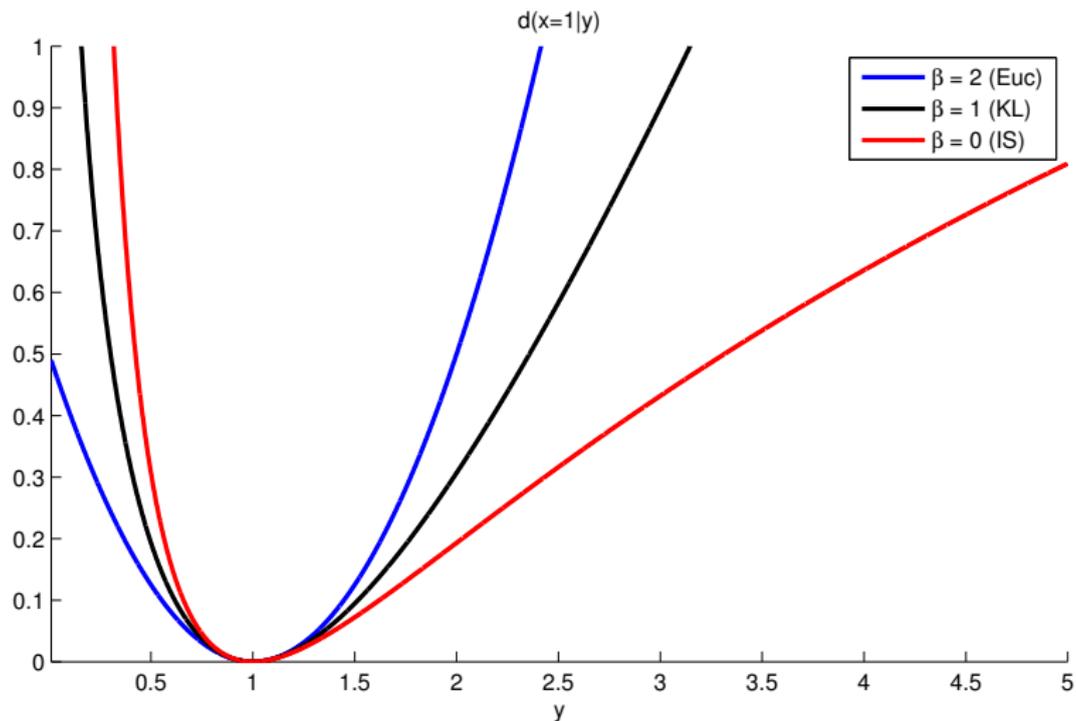
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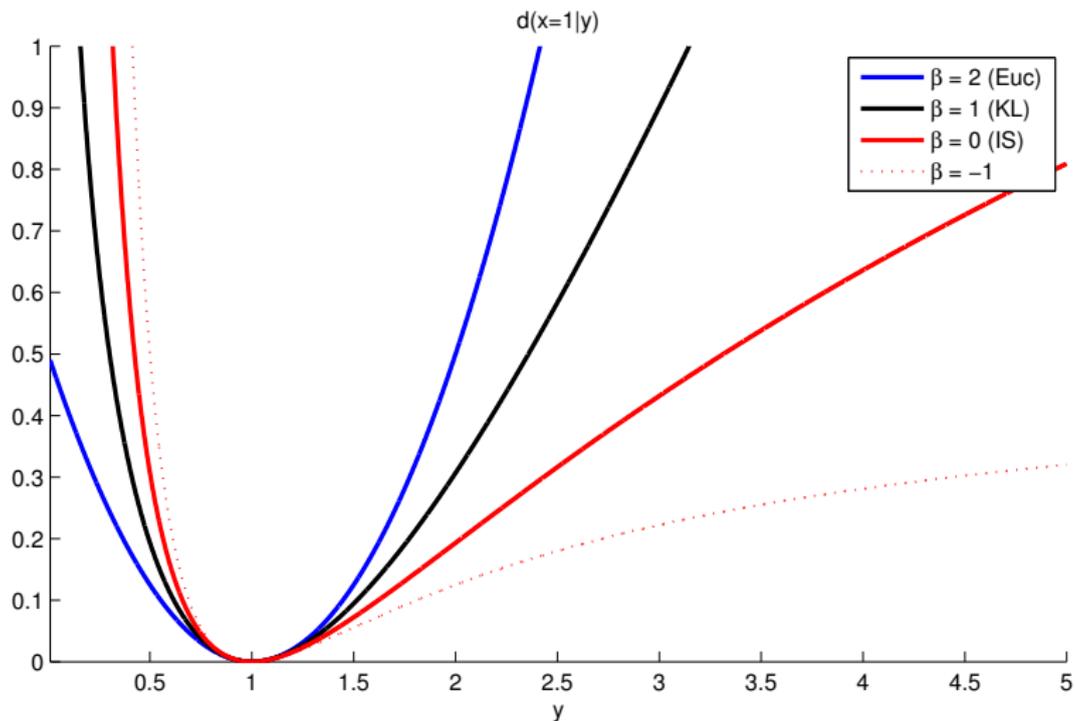
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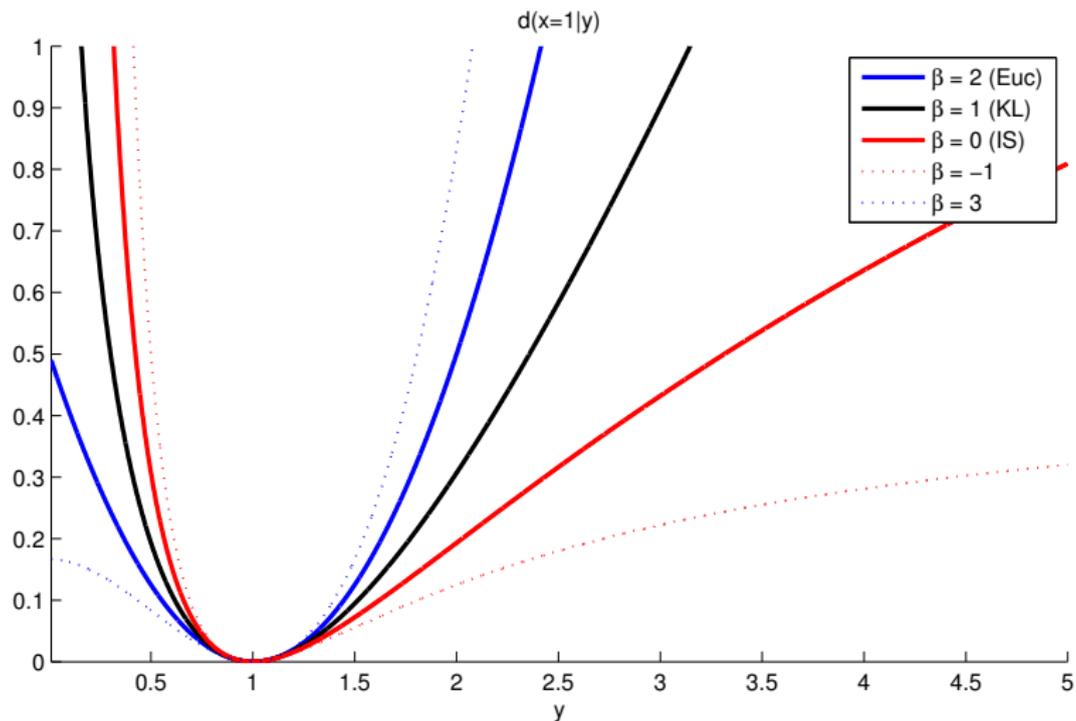
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Common NMF algorithm design

- ▶ Block-coordinate update of \mathbf{H} given $\mathbf{W}^{(i-1)}$ and \mathbf{V} given $\mathbf{H}^{(i)}$.
- ▶ Updates of \mathbf{W} and \mathbf{H} equivalent by transposition:

$$\mathbf{V} \approx \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{V}^T \approx \mathbf{H}^T\mathbf{W}^T$$

- ▶ Objective function separable in the columns of \mathbf{H} or the rows of \mathbf{W} :

$$D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}) = \sum_n D(\mathbf{v}_n|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}_n)$$

- ▶ Essentially left with **nonnegative linear regression**:

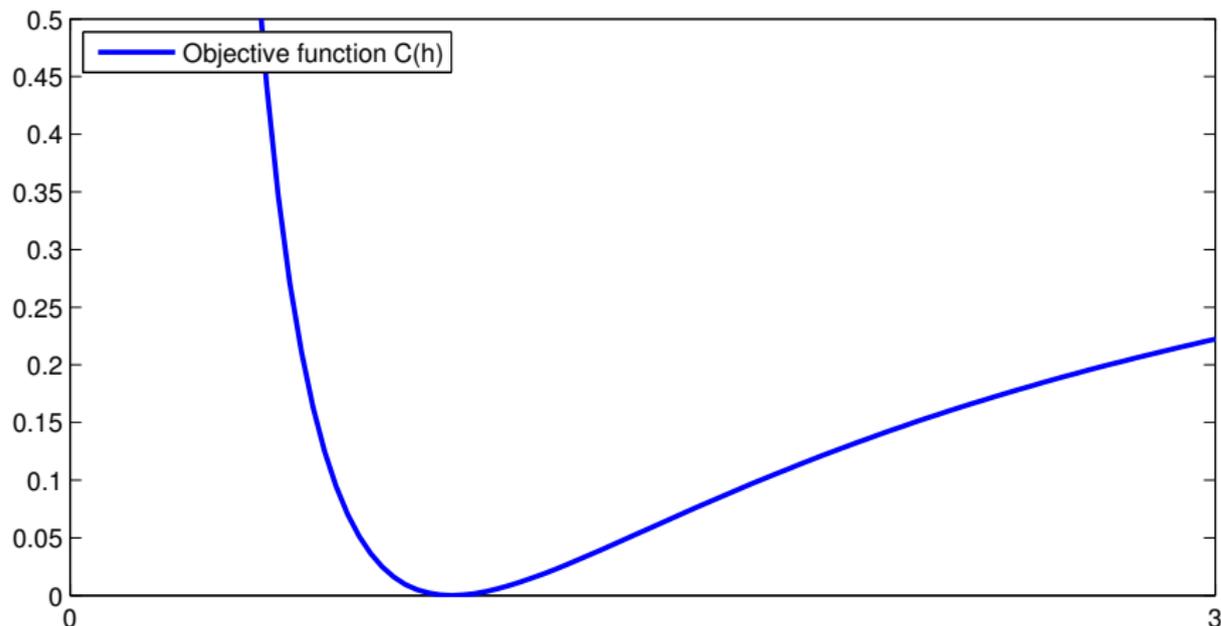
$$\min_{\mathbf{h} \geq \mathbf{0}} C(\mathbf{h}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} D(\mathbf{v}|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{h})$$

Numerous references in the image restoration literature, e.g., (Richardson, 1972; Lucy, 1974; Daube-Witherspoon and Muehllehner, 1986; De Pierro, 1993)

Block-descent algorithm, nonconvex problem, **initialisation** is an issue.

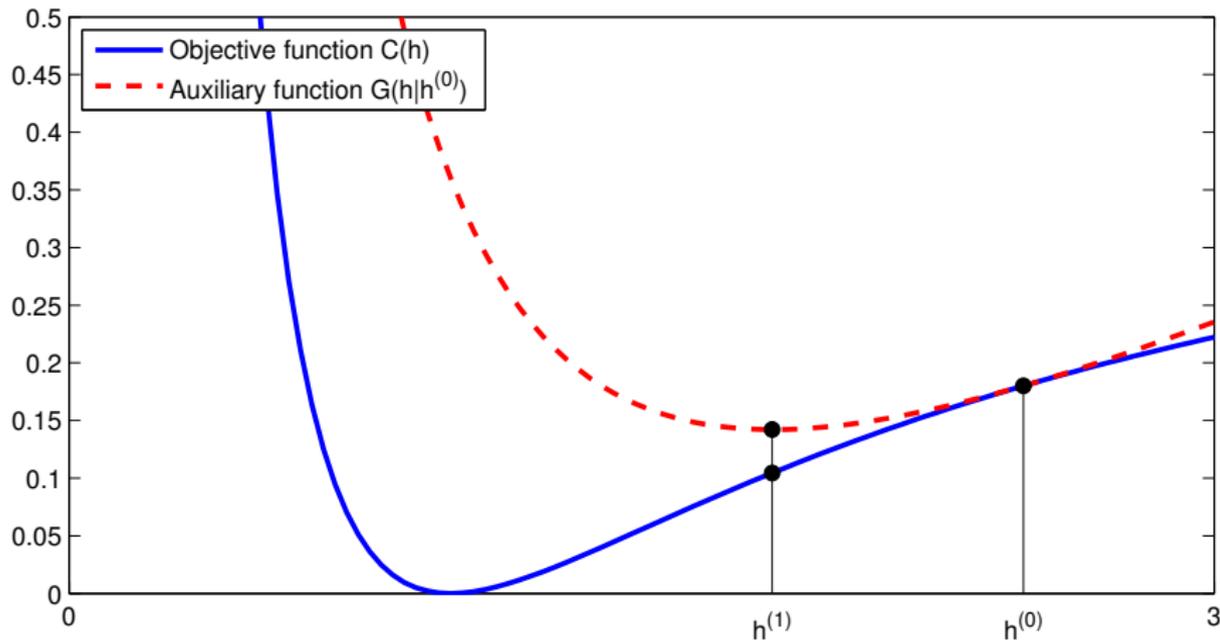
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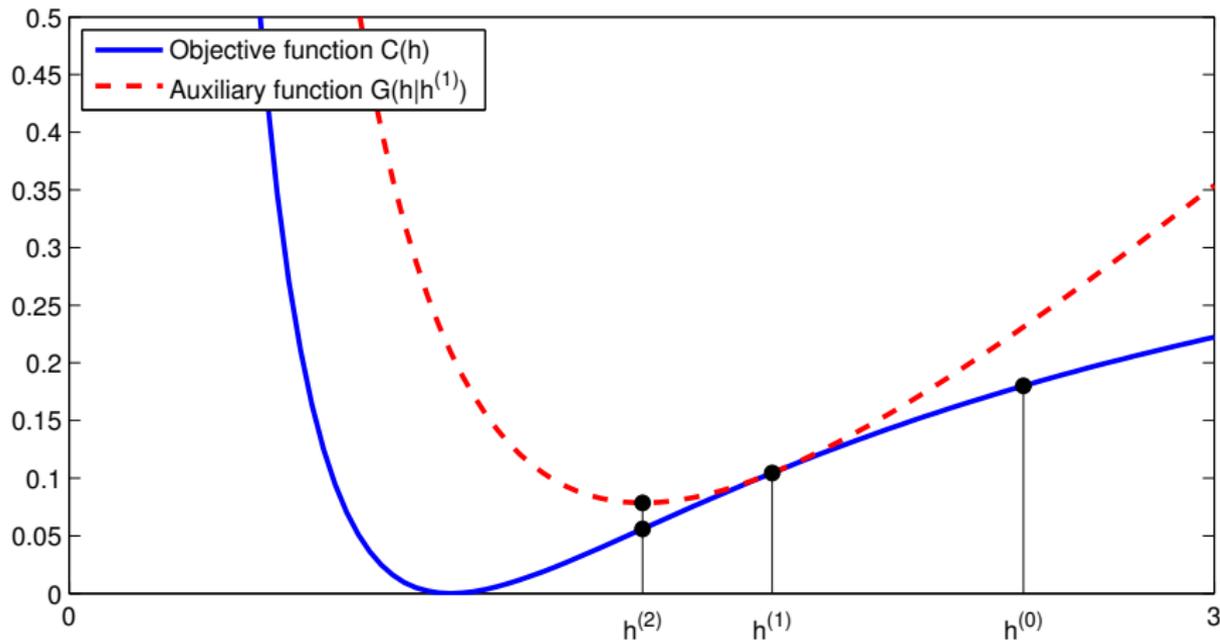
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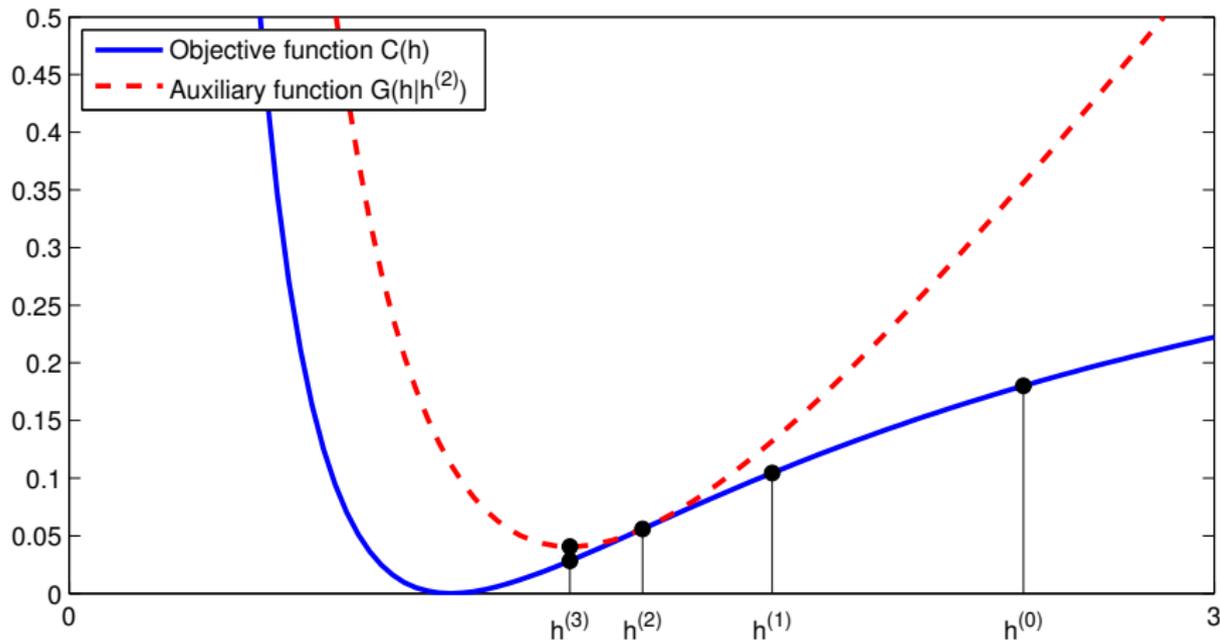
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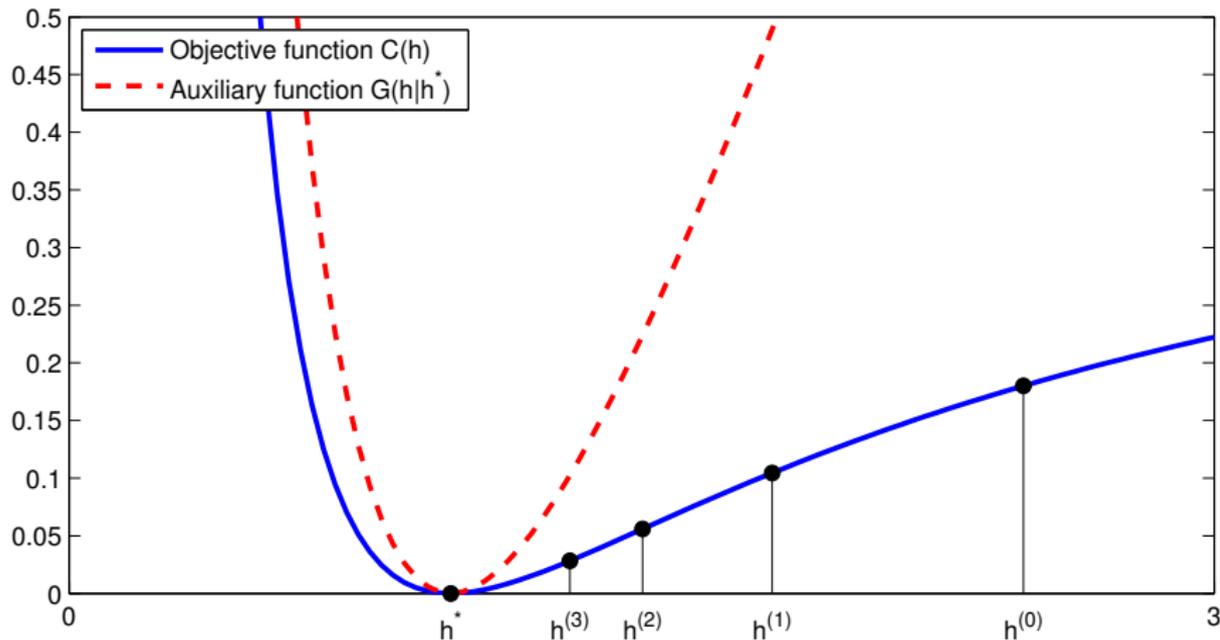
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- ▶ Treating convex and concave terms separately with **Jensen and tangent inequalities** usually works. E.g.:

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- ▶ In most cases, leads to nonnegativity-preserving **multiplicative algorithms**:

$$h_k = \tilde{h}_k \left(\frac{\nabla_{h_k}^- C(\tilde{\mathbf{h}})}{\nabla_{h_k}^+ C(\tilde{\mathbf{h}})} \right)^\gamma$$

- ▶ $\nabla_{h_k} C(\mathbf{h}) = \nabla_{h_k}^+ C(\mathbf{h}) - \nabla_{h_k}^- C(\mathbf{h})$ and the two summands are nonnegative.
- ▶ if $\nabla_{h_k} C(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}) > 0$, ratio of summands < 1 and h_k goes left.
- ▶ γ is a divergence-specific scalar exponent.
- ▶ Details in (Févotte and Idier, 2011; Yang and Oja, 2011; Zhao and Tan, 2018)

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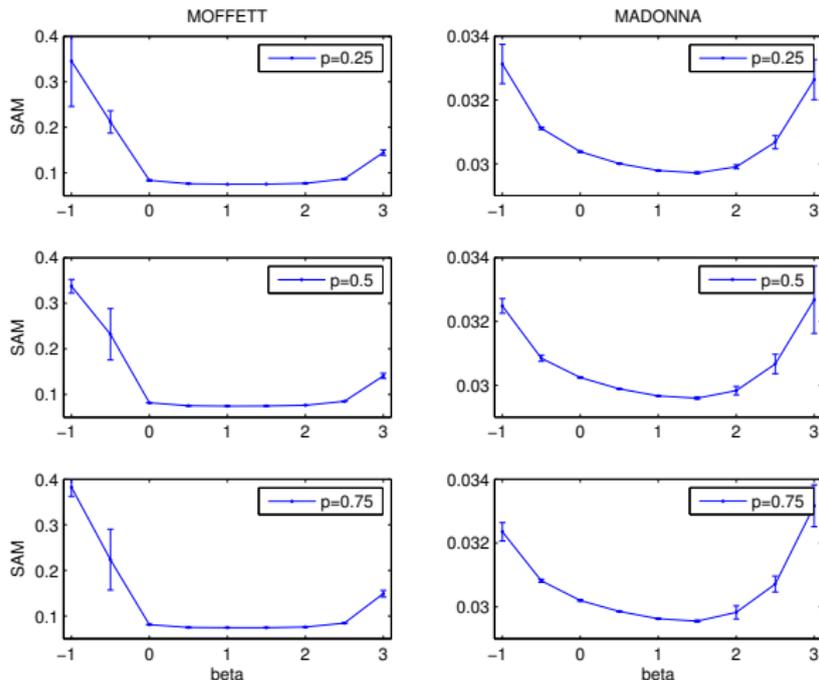
(Févotte and Dobigeon, 2015)

- ▶ **Data:** two unfolded hyperspectral cubes, $F \sim 150$, $N = 50 \times 50$
 - ▶ Aviris instrument over Moffett Field (CA), lake, soil & vegetation.
 - ▶ Hypex/Madonna instrument over Villelongue (FR), forested area.
- ▶ a percentage of the pixels is randomly removed.
- ▶ **W** and **H** estimated with $K = 3$ (\sim ground truth) and various values of β .
- ▶ missing pixels are reconstructed from $\hat{\mathbf{V}} = \mathbf{WH}$.
- ▶ evaluation using the average spectral angle mapper (aSAM):

$$\text{aSAM}(\mathbf{V}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^N \text{acos} \left(\frac{\langle \mathbf{v}_n, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_n \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_n\| \|\hat{\mathbf{v}}_n\|} \right)$$

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Recommended value $\beta \approx 1.5$
(compromise between Poisson and additive Gaussian noise).

Nonlinear hyperspectral unmixing

(Févotte and Dobigeon, 2015)

- ▶ Variants of the linear mixing model account for “non-linear” effects:

$$\mathbf{v}_n \approx \mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}_n + \mathbf{r}_n$$

- ▶ Often, \mathbf{r}_n has a **parametric form**, e.g., linear combination of quadratic components $\{\mathbf{w}_k \odot \mathbf{w}_j\}_{kj}$ (Nascimento and Bioucas-Dias, 2009; Fan et al., 2009; Altmann et al., 2012)
- ▶ Nonlinear effects usually affect **few pixels only**.
- ▶ We treat them as **non-parametric sparse outliers**.

$$\min_{\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{R} \geq 0} D_\beta(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{R}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{R}\|_{2,1}$$

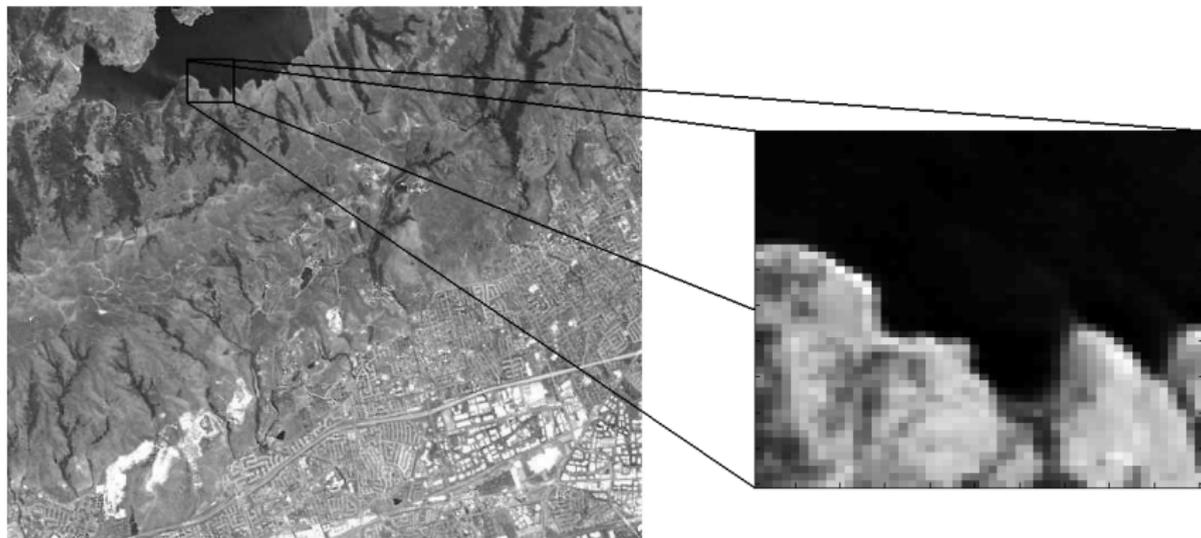
where $\|\mathbf{R}\|_{2,1} = \sum_{n=1}^N \|\mathbf{r}_n\|_2$ induces sparsity at group level.

- ▶ Optimised with **majorisation-minimisation**.

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Moffett Field data



reproduced from (Dobigeon, 2007)

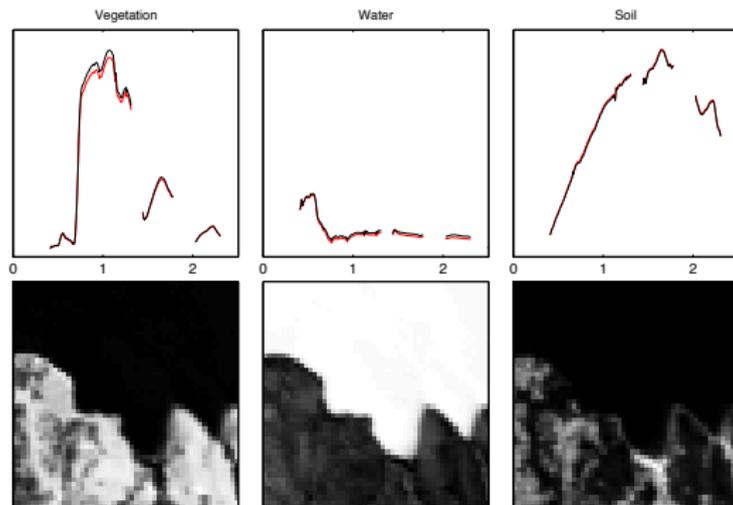
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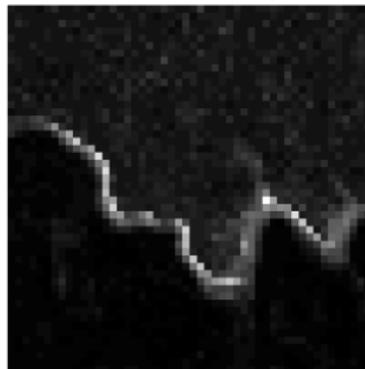
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spectral endmembers & activation maps

(red: $\beta = 1$, black: $\beta = 2$)



outlier energy $\{\|\mathbf{r}_n\|\}_n$
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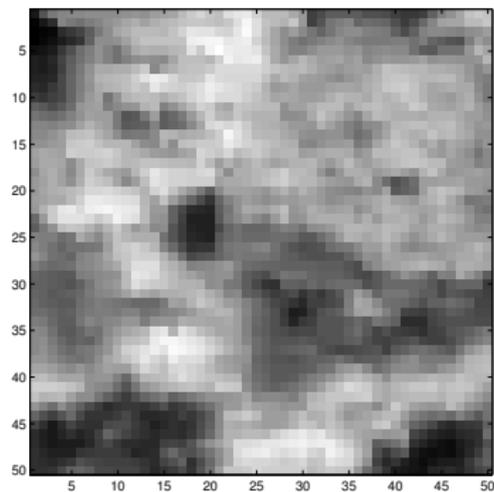


Outlier term captures specific water/soil interactions.

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Villelongue/Madonna data (forested area)



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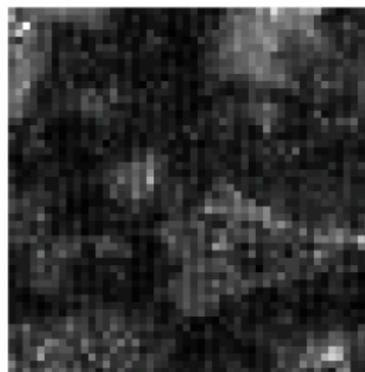
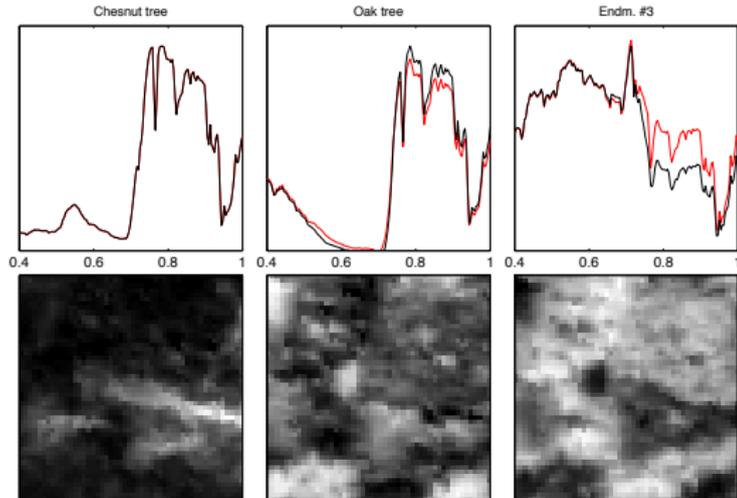
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Outlier term seems to capture patterns due to sensor miscalibration.

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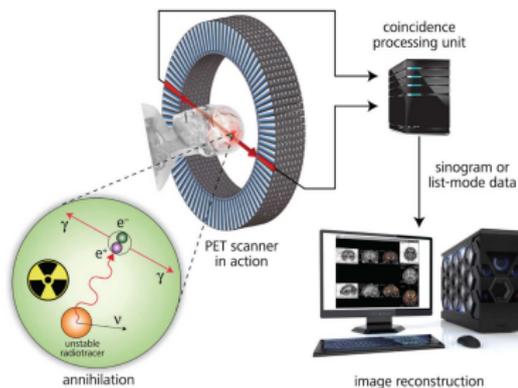
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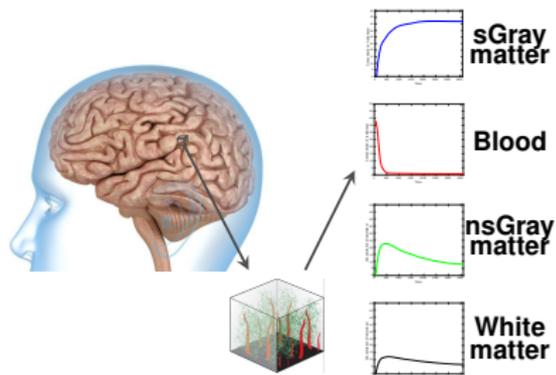
Factor analysis in dynamical PET

(Cavalcanti, Oberlin, Dobigeon, Févotte, Stute, Ribeiro, and Tauber, 2019)

- ▶ 3D functional imaging
- ▶ Observe the temporal evolution of the brain activity after injecting a **radiotracer** (biomarker of a specific compound).
- ▶ \mathbf{v}_n is the **time-activity curve (TAC)** in voxel n .
- ▶ Neuroimaging: mixed contributions of 4 TAC signatures in each voxel.



Dynamic positron emission tomography



PET voxel decomposition

reproduced from (Cavalcanti, 2018)

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Mixing model

- ▶ the specific-binding TAC signature varies in space:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}_n &\approx [\mathbf{w}_1 + \boldsymbol{\delta}_n] h_{1n} + \sum_{k=2}^K \mathbf{w}_k h_{kn} \\ &\approx [\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{b}_n] h_{1n} + \sum_{k=2}^K \mathbf{w}_k h_{kn} \\ &\approx \mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}_n + h_{1n} \mathbf{D}\mathbf{b}_n\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ \mathbf{D} is fixed and pre-trained using labeled or simulated data.

Estimation

$$\min_{\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}, \mathbf{B} \geq 0} D_\beta(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{1}\mathbf{h}_1 \odot \mathbf{D}\mathbf{B}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{B}\|_{2,1}$$

Optimised with [majorisation-minimisation](#).

Factor analysis in dynamical PET

Unmixing results

- ▶ real dynamic PET image of a stroke subject injected with a tracer for neuroinflammation.
- ▶ MRI ground-truth region of the stroke.

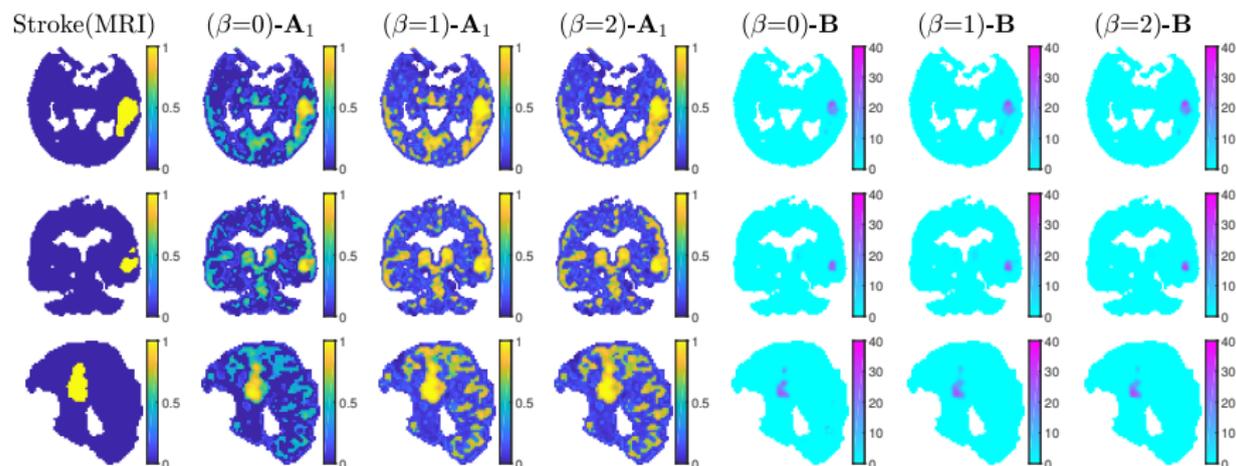


Fig.: Specific-binding activation (h_{1n}) and variability maps ($\|\mathbf{b}_n\|_{2,1}$) in three different planes and for three values of β

Conclusions

- ▶ NMF can efficiently unmix composite data in imaging problems.
- ▶ Application-specific variants have been proposed.
- ▶ The β -divergence can be adjusted to the statistics of the noise.
- ▶ Majorisation-minimisation works well in this setting.

ERC-funded **postdoc positions** in machine learning & signal processing:

- ▶ Multimodal data processing for multimedia artistic creation (with Tim van Cruys)
- ▶ Learning with low-rank models (with Emmanuel Soubies)
- ▶ Bayesian deep learning (with Nicolas Dobigeon)

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Emilie Chouzenoux, Univ. Paris-Est

Mark Davenport, Georgia Tech

Monika Dörfler, Univ. Vienna

Pier Luigi Dragotti, ICL

Bhaskar Rao, UC San Diego

Simon Thorpe, CNRS

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Special talk by **Michael I. Jordan**, UC Berkeley

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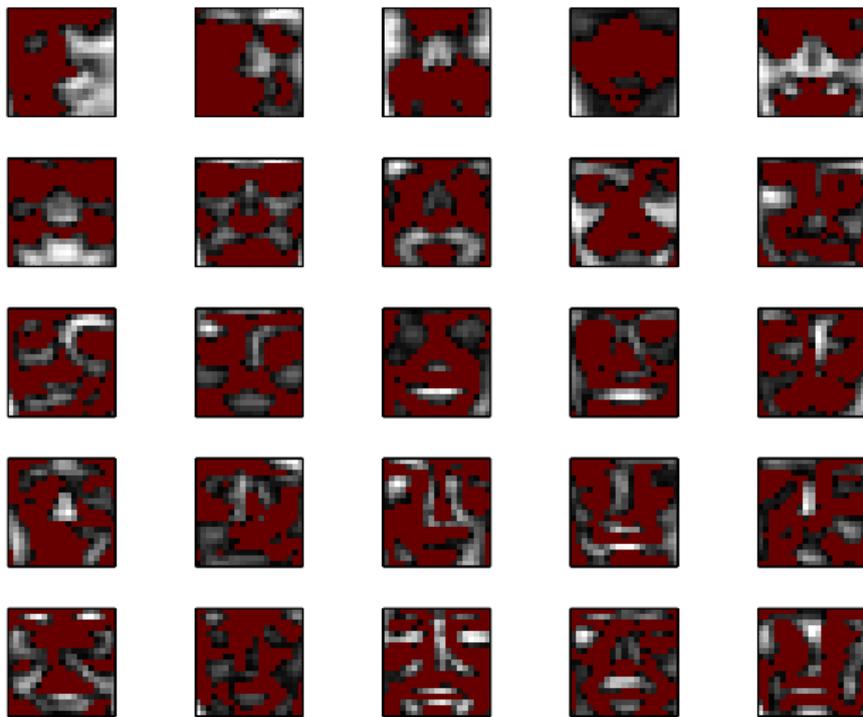
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PCA dictionary with $K = 25$



red pixels indicate negative values

NMF dictionary with $K = 25$



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