

## T16: Recent advances in Nonnegative Matrix Factorization

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#### Recent advances in nonnegative matrix factorization Part I: Generalities, optimization, regularization

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for dimensionality reduction (coding, low-dimensional embedding)



for unmixing (source separation, latent topic discovery)



for interpolation (collaborative filtering, image inpainting)



- simple generative & interpretable models, popular in unsupervised settings.
- used in many fields for a long time:
  - Principal component analysis PCA (Pearson, 1901)
  - Factor analysis (Spearman, 1904)
  - Latent semantic analysis LSA (Deerwester et al., 1988)
  - Independent component analysis ICA (Comon, 1994)
  - Nonnegative matrix factorization NMF (Lee & Seung, 1999)
  - Latent Dirichlet allocation LDA (Blei et al., 2003)
  - Sparse dictionary learning, e.g., K-SVD (Aharon et al., 2006)
- active topics:
  - design of nonconvex optimization algorithms with proven convergence
  - Iandscape analysis, search for global optima
  - conditions for identifiability
  - rank selection
  - ▶ probabilistic models & statistical approaches (e.g., integer-valued or binary data)

#### Nonnegative matrix factorization



- data V and factors W, H have nonnegative entries.
- nonnegativity of W ensures interpretability of the dictionary, because patterns w<sub>k</sub> and samples v<sub>n</sub> belong to the same space.
- nonnegativity of 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)

#### 49 images among 2429 from MIT's CBCL face dataset



#### PCA dictionary with K = 25











































red pixels indicate negative values

#### NMF dictionary with K = 25



experiment reproduced from (Lee and Seung, 1999)

## NMF for latent semantic analysis

(Lee and Seung, 1999; Hofmann, 1999)



reproduced from (Lee and Seung, 1999)

### NMF for audio spectral unmixing

(Smaragdis and Brown, 2003)



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## NMF for hyperspectral unmixing

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#### NMF as a constrained minimization problem

Minimize a measure of fit between V and WH, subject to nonnegativity:

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

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)

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

#### Probabilistic models

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

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

data support	distribution/noise	divergence	examples
real-valued	additive Gaussian	quadratic loss	many
integer	multinomial*	weighted KL	word counts
integer	Poisson	generalized KL	photon counts
nonnegative	multiplicative Gamma	Itakura-Saito	spectrogram
generally nonnegative	Tweedie	$\beta$ -divergence	generalizes above models

\* conditional independence over f does not apply

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

$$d_{eta}(x|y) \stackrel{\mathsf{def}}{=} \left\{ egin{array}{c} rac{1}{eta\left(eta-1
ight)}\left(x^{eta}+\left(eta-1
ight)y^{eta}-eta x\,y^{eta-1}
ight) & eta\in\mathbb{R}igl\{0,1\}\ x\,\lograc{x}{y}+\left(y-x
ight) & eta=1\ rac{x}{y}-\lograc{x}{y}-1 & eta=0 \end{array} 
ight.$$

Special cases:

- ▶ squared Euclidean distance / quadratic loss ( $\beta = 2$ )
- generalized 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











#### A common NMF algorithm design: alternating methods

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

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\mathbf{V}\approx\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}\Leftrightarrow\mathbf{V}^{T}\approx\mathbf{H}^{T}\mathbf{W}^{T}
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► Objective function separable in the columns of **H** or the rows of **W**:

$$D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) = \sum_n D(\mathbf{v}_n|\mathbf{Wh}_n)$$

Essentially left with nonnegative linear regression:

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

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, initialization is an issue.










# Majorization-minimization (MM)

- ► Finding a good & workable local majorization is the crucial point.
- Treating convex and concave terms separately with Jensen and tangent inequalities usually works. E.g.:

$$C_{\rm IS}(\mathbf{h}) = \left[\sum_{f} \frac{v_f}{\sum_k w_{fk} h_k}\right] + \left[\sum_{f} \log\left(\sum_k w_{fk} h_k\right)\right] + cst$$

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

$$h_k = ilde{h}_k \left( rac{
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ight)^2$$

- ▶  $\nabla_{h_k} C(\mathbf{h}) = \nabla^+_{h_k} C(\mathbf{h}) \nabla^-_{h_k} C(\mathbf{h})$  and the two summands are nonnegative.
- if  $\nabla_{h_k} C(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}) > 0$ , ratio of summands < 1 and  $h_k$  decreases.
- $\blacktriangleright \ \gamma$  is a divergence-specific scalar exponent.
- Details in (Nakano et al., 2010; Févotte and Idier, 2011; Yang and Oja, 2011)

• IS divergence ( $\beta = 0$ )

$$d_{\mathsf{IS}}(x|y) = \frac{x}{y} - \log \frac{x}{y} - 1$$

Nonnegative linear regression with the IS divergence

$$\min_{\mathbf{h} \ge 0} C_{\mathsf{IS}}(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{f} d_{\mathsf{IS}}(v_{f} | [\mathbf{W}\mathbf{h}]_{f})$$
$$= \underbrace{\left[\sum_{f} \frac{v_{f}}{\sum_{k} w_{fk} h_{k}}\right]}_{C_{1}(\mathbf{h}) \text{ (convex)}} + \underbrace{\left[\sum_{f} \log\left(\sum_{k} w_{fk} h_{k}\right)\right]}_{C_{2}(\mathbf{h}) \text{ (concave)}} + cst$$

Majorization of C<sub>1</sub>(h) with Jensen's inequality.
 Let f(x) be a convex function and λ ∈ ℝ<sup>K</sup><sub>+</sub> with ∑<sub>k</sub> λ<sub>k</sub> = 1. Then:

$$f\left(\sum_{k}\lambda_{k}\mathbf{h}_{k}\right)\leq\sum_{k}\lambda_{k}f(\mathbf{h}_{k}).$$

 $\blacktriangleright$  Let  $\tilde{h} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{\mathcal{K}}$  be the current estimate,  $\tilde{\nu} = W\tilde{h}$  be the current approximation and

$$\lambda_{fk} = rac{w_{fk} ilde{h}_k}{ ilde{v}_f} = rac{w_{fk} ilde{h}_k}{\sum_j w_{fj} ilde{h}_j} \quad \left( ext{note that } \sum_k \lambda_{fk} = 1 
ight).$$

• Then, by convexity of  $f(x) = x^{-1}$ , we may write:

$$C_{\rm IS}(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_{f} v_f \left( \sum_{k} w_{fk} \mathbf{h}_k \right)^{-1} = \sum_{f} v_f \left( \sum_{k} \lambda_{fk} \frac{w_{fk} \mathbf{h}_k}{\lambda_{fk}} \right)^{-1}$$
$$\leq \sum_{fk} v_f \frac{\lambda_{fk}^2}{w_{fk} \mathbf{h}_k} = \sum_{fk} w_{fk} \frac{v_f}{\tilde{v}_f^2} \frac{\tilde{h}_k^2}{\mathbf{h}_k} = G_1(\mathbf{h}|\tilde{\mathbf{h}}).$$

Majorization of C<sub>2</sub>(h) with the tangent inequality.
 Let g(h) be a concave function then:

$$g(\mathbf{h}) \leq g(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}) + \nabla g(\tilde{\mathbf{h}})^{\top}(\mathbf{h} - \tilde{\mathbf{h}}) = \sum_{k} [\nabla g(\tilde{\mathbf{h}})]_{k} h_{k} + cst.$$

• Given 
$$C_2(\mathbf{h}) = \sum_f \log \left( \sum_k w_{fk} \mathbf{h}_k \right)$$
, we have:

$$[\nabla C_2(\tilde{\mathbf{h}})]_k = \nabla_{h_k} C_2(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}) = \sum_f \frac{w_{fk}}{\tilde{v}_f}.$$

Finally, we may majorize  $C_2(\mathbf{h})$  with:

$$G_2(\mathbf{h}|\tilde{\mathbf{h}}) = \sum_{fk} \frac{w_{fk}}{\tilde{v}_f} \mathbf{h}_k + cst.$$

• In the end, we may majorize  $C_{IS}(\mathbf{h})$  with:

$$egin{aligned} \widehat{G}(\mathbf{h}|\widetilde{\mathbf{h}}) &= G_1(\mathbf{h}|\widetilde{\mathbf{h}}) + G_2(\mathbf{h}|\widetilde{\mathbf{h}}) + cst \ &= \sum_{fk} w_{fk} \left[ rac{v_f}{\widetilde{v}_f^2} rac{\widetilde{h}_k^2}{h_k} + rac{1}{\widetilde{v}_f} rac{h_k}{h_k} 
ight] + cst. \end{aligned}$$

Smooth, convex and separable majorizer. Easily minimized by cancelling its gradient, leading to the MM-based multiplicative update

$$h_{k} = \tilde{h}_{k} \left( \frac{\sum_{f} w_{fk} v_{f} [\mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}]_{f}^{-2}}{\sum_{f} w_{fk} [\mathbf{W}\tilde{\mathbf{h}}]_{f}^{-1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

 Algorithm known from (Cao et al., 1999). The <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> exponent can be dropped using majorization-equalization (Févotte and Idier, 2011).

## The multiplicative updates (MU) for NMF with $\beta$ -divergence

- Alternating updates of W and H.
- ▶ In standard practice, only one MM update applied to **W** and **H**, rather than fully solving subproblems  $\min_{\mathbf{W} \ge 0} D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH})$  and  $\min_{\mathbf{H}} D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH})$ .
- ► Leads to a valid descent algorithm with multiplicative updates given by:

$$\mathbf{H} \leftarrow \mathbf{H}. \left( \frac{\mathbf{W}^{\mathsf{T}} \left[ (\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H})^{\cdot(\beta-2)} . \mathbf{V} \right]}{\mathbf{W}^{\mathsf{T}} \left[ \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} \right]^{\cdot(\beta-1)}} \right)^{\gamma(\beta)}$$
$$\mathbf{W} \leftarrow \mathbf{W}. \left( \frac{\left[ (\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H})^{\cdot(\beta-2)} . \mathbf{V} \right] \mathbf{H}^{\mathsf{T}}}{\left[ \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} \right]^{\cdot(\beta-1)} \mathbf{H}^{\mathsf{T}}} \right)^{\gamma(\beta)}$$

- Very straightforward implementation, no hyperparameters!
- Nonnegativity is automatically preserved given positive initializations.
- Linear complexity per iteration.
- ▶ In practice, minimizing  $D(\mathbf{V} + \epsilon | \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H} + \epsilon)$  prevents from numerical issues.

- ▶ By design, we have convergence of the objective values  $C(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}) = D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H})$ .
- What about the iterates ? Only partial answers so far.
- ▶ A theoretical challenge arises from the lack of coercivity of the objective:  $\|\mathbf{W}\|$  or  $\|\mathbf{H}\| \to \infty \neq C(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}) \to \infty$ .
- ▶ Due to the scale indeterminacy:  $C(W\Lambda^{-1}, \Lambda H) = C(W, H)$ , with  $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$ .

Possible remedies (modified problems)

- 1) Impose  $\mathbf{W} \ge \epsilon$ ,  $\mathbf{H} \ge \epsilon$  (Takahashi et al., 2018; Hien and Gillis, 2021).
- 2) Slightly change the objective function to ensure coercivity (Zhao and Tan, 2018):

$$C(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}) = D(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}) + \epsilon \|\mathbf{W}\|_1 + \epsilon \|\mathbf{H}\|_1$$

MM results in adding  $\epsilon$  at the denominator of the multiplicative updates.

# Selecting $\beta$ by matrix completion (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.
  - Hyspex/Madonna instrument over Villelongue (FR), forested area.
- ▶ a percentage of the pixels is randomly removed.
- ▶ W and H estimated from observed pixels (simple modification of MU).
- missing pixels are reconstructed from  $\hat{\mathbf{V}} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}$ .
- K = 3 (~ ground truth) and various values of  $\beta$ .
- evaluation using the average spectral angle mapper (aSAM):

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

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

## Other alternating optimization methods

- MM-based multiplicative updates are a simple and competitive choice for many divergences (beyond β-divergences).
- More efficient options have been proposed for specific measures of fit, see books by Cichocki et al. (2009); Gillis (2020)

#### Quadratic loss (selection)

- Active-set methods (Kim and Park, 2011)
- Hierarchical alternating LS (Cichocki et al., 2007; Gillis and Glineur, 2012)
- Proximal gradient descent (Lin, 2007; Guan et al., 2012; Bolte et al., 2014)
- ADMM (Sun and Févotte, 2014; Huang et al., 2016)

#### Kullback-Leibler divergence (selection)

- Second-order coordinate descent methods (Hsieh and Dhillon, 2011)
- ▶ Hybrid Newton-type algorithms with line search and MU (Hien and Gillis, 2021)

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- 3) Second-order method for  $\beta$ -NMF based on efficient Hessian approximations and tricks to maintain semidefinite positivity (Vandecappelle et al., 2020).

## Large-scale NMF

#### **Online NMF**

- Large number of samples N >> F.
- Update **W** as samples  $\mathbf{v}_n$  become available.
- Vectors  $\mathbf{h}_n$  act as latent variables, minimize

$$C(\mathbf{W}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \min_{\mathbf{h}_n \ge 0} D(\mathbf{v}_n | \mathbf{W} \mathbf{h}_n)$$

Solved with online MM (Lefèvre et al., 2011b; Mairal, 2015; Zhao et al., 2017)

#### Stochastic NMF

- ► Large F and N.
- Online NMF with stochastic subsampling:

$$\min_{\mathbf{h}_n \geq 0} D(\mathbf{v}_n[\mathcal{I}] | \mathbf{W}[\mathcal{I}, :] \mathbf{h}_n)$$

where  $\mathcal{I}$  is a random set of indices (Mensch et al., 2018).

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## Sparsity

▶ Promote zeros in **H** (or **W**), e.g,

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathbf{H}) = \|\mathbf{H}\|_1 = \sum_{kn} h_{kn}, \quad \mathcal{S}(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_{kn} \log(h_{kn} + \epsilon)$$

- ▶ Possibly with some group structure, e.g., cancel some rows of H (see Part II).
- Vast literature! Seminal paper by Hoyer (2004).
- ▶ Need to control  $\|\mathbf{W}\|$  to avoid degenerate solutions  $\|\mathbf{W}\| \to \infty$ ,  $\|\mathbf{H}\| \to 0$ .
- ▶ Because  $C(W\Lambda^{-1}, \Lambda H) = D(V|WH) + S(\Lambda H)$ ,  $S(\cdot)$  can be made arbitrary small.
- A common approach:

$$\min_{\mathbf{W},\mathbf{H}\geq 0} C(\mathbf{W},\mathbf{H}) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \forall k, \|\mathbf{w}_k\| = 1$$

- Change of variable (Eggert and Körner, 2004; Lefèvre et al., 2011a; Le Roux et al., 2015)
- Lagrangian method (Leplat et al., 2021)

### Smoothness

Impose temporal or spatial regularization, e.g.,

$$S(\mathbf{H}) = \sum_{kn} d(\mathbf{h}_{kn} | \mathbf{h}_{k(n-1)})$$

- Least squares penalization (Virtanen, 2007; Essid and Févotte, 2013)
- ► Gamma Markov chains (Smaragdis et al., 2014; Filstroff et al., 2021)



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One row of H with increasing smoothness (Févotte, 2011)

## Other common regularizers

- Orthogonal NMF: HH<sup>T</sup> = I.
   Essentially nonnegative clustering (Ding et al., 2006).
- Projective NMF: H = W<sup>T</sup>V.
   Essentially nonnegative PCA (Yang and Oja, 2010).
- ► Symmetric NMF: H = W<sup>T</sup>. Popular in graph clustering (Kuang et al., 2012; Huang et al., 2013).
- Separable NMF: W is a subset of columns of V.
   Very active research topic! (Donoho and Stodden, 2004; Arora et al., 2016)
- Archetypal NMF: W belongs to the column-range of V. A relaxation of separable NMF (Ding et al., 2010; Chen et al., 2014).
- Minimum-volume NMF: penalize the aperture of W.
   Very active research topic! (Miao and Qi, 2007; Chan et al., 2009)

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

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

- ▶ Often, r<sub>n</sub> has a parametric form, e.g., linear combination of quadratic components {w<sub>k</sub> ⊙ w<sub>j</sub>}<sub>kj</sub> (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.

- A form of robust NMF (Candès et al., 2009)
- Optimized with majorization-minimization.

#### **Moffett Field data**



reproduced from (Dobigeon, 2007)

#### **Unmixing results**



Outlier term captures specific water/soil interactions.

#### Villelongue/Madonna data (forested area)



#### **Unmixing results**

outlier energy  $\{\|\mathbf{r}_n\|\}_n$ spectral endmembers & activation maps (red:  $\beta = 1$ , black:  $\beta = 2$ )  $(\beta = 1)$ Chesnut tree Oak tree Endm. #3 1 0.4 0.4 0.6 0.8 0.6 0.8 1 0.4 0.6 0.8

Outlier term seems to capture patterns due to sensor miscalibration.

# 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:

$$\mathbf{v}_n \approx [\mathbf{w}_1 + \boldsymbol{\delta}_n] h_{1n} + \sum_{k=2}^{K} \mathbf{w}_k h_{kn}$$
$$\approx [\mathbf{w}_1 + \mathbf{D} \mathbf{b}_n] h_{1n} + \sum_{k=2}^{K} \mathbf{w}_k h_{kn}$$
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D is fixed and pre-trained using labeled or simulated data.
 Estimation

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

Optimized with majorization-minimization.

# Factor analysis in dynamical PET

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

#### **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  $\beta$ 

## End of Part I

#### Half-time conclusions

- ▶ NMF has become a popular data processing tool over the last 20 years.
- ► Very suited to unmixing problems in unsupervised settings.
- Exciting non-convex optimization problem with non-Euclidean measures of fit.
- MM is a versatile algorithmic framework for NMF.
  - Simple multiplicative algorithms for the  $\beta$ -divergence and beyond.
  - Can be adapted to regularized NMF and variants.
  - More efficient algorithms exist for the quadratic loss.

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#### Recent Advances in Nonnegative Matrix Factorization Part II: Extensions of NMF

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Maintain nonnegativity by choosing nonnegative priors, e.g.,

► Half Gaussian, i.e.,

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Exponential

$$p(w_{fk} \mid \lambda_k) = \frac{1}{\lambda_k} \exp\left(-\frac{w_{fk}}{\lambda_k}\right) \qquad p(h_{kn} \mid \lambda_k) = \frac{1}{\lambda_k} \exp\left(-\frac{h_{kn}}{\lambda_k}\right)$$

▶ Both these distributions are supported on ℝ<sub>+</sub>.

#### Half Gaussian and Exponential



Figure: Half Gaussian and Exponential Distributions



- $\triangleright$   $\lambda_k$  is a common variance-like quantity.
- When  $\lambda_k \downarrow 0$ ,  $\|\mathbf{w}_k\|$  and  $\|\underline{h}_k\|$  both tend to 0.
- **>** The  $k^{\text{th}}$  component can be removed without compromising data fidelity.

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- Assume independence

$$p(\boldsymbol{\lambda}; \boldsymbol{a}, b) = \prod_{k=1}^{K} p(\lambda_k; \boldsymbol{a}, b).$$





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8 data samples (among 256)



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# Sparse Document Data Sets

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	of classes	KL-NMF	Fro-NMF	DR-NMF
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NG3SIM	3	59.07	34.29	68.05
classic	4	65.53	49.21	58.98
ohscal	10	41.54	35.71	40.23
k1b	6	54.40	73.50	62.35
hitech	6	41.03	48.28	41.68
reviews	5	78.10	45.24	75.33
sports	7	53.48	49.24	62.60
la1	6	70.69	45.47	66.67
la12	6	71.24	47.91	67.75
la2	6	70.34	51.58	68.62
tr11	9	52.90	46.38	46.62
tr23	6	30.39	39.71	34.80
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tr45	10	56.67	38.12	31.59
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Figure: Clustering accuracies of various methods

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- Simple, fuss-free updates.
- ▶ Used a few other hacks to ensure normalization and no divide by 0 errors.
- Under the right conditions, can prove convergence guarantees to "stationary points" (Zhao and Tan, 2018).



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#### Results on Tournaments for Men's Dataset

non-clay clay										
Tournaments	Row Norn	nalization	Column Normalization							
Australian Open	5.77E-01	4.23E-01	1.15E-01	7.66E-02						
French Open	3.44E-01	6.56E-01 🗲	8.66E-02	1.50E-01 (1)						
Wimbledon	6.43E-01	3.57E-01	6.73E-02	3.38E-02						
US Open	5.07E-01	4.93E-01	4.62E-02	4.06E-02						
Indian Wells Masters	6.52E-01	3.48E-01	1.34E-01	6.50E-02						
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Miami Open	5.27E-01	4.73E-01	4.95E-02	4.02E-02						
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Paris Masters	1.68E-01	8.32E-01 🔶	1.29E-02	5.76E-02						
Italian Open	0.00E-00	1.00E-00 🗲	1.82E-104	1.36E-01 <b>(2)</b>						
Canadian Open	1.00E-00	0.00E-00	1.28E-01	1.78E-152						
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Latent variable discovered to be "surface type"

# Results on Player Rankings by Latent Variable

		non-clay	clay	
	Players	matrix H <sup>T</sup>		Total Matches
Hard Court player ——>	Novak Djokovic	1.20E-01	9.98E-02	283
Clay player>	Rafael Nadal	2.48E-02	1.55E-01	241
Grass player>	Roger Federer	1.15E-01	2.34E-02	229
Non-clay player	Andy Murray	7.57E-02	8.43E-03	209
	Tomas Berdych	0.00E-00	3.02E-02	154
	David Ferrer	6.26E-40	3.27E-02	147
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	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	3.36E-02	2.71E-03	121
	<b>Richard Gasquet</b>	5.49E-03	1.41E-02	102
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	Marin Cilic	2.12E-02	0.00E-00	100
	Fernando Verdasco	1.36E-02	8.79E-03	96
	Kei Nishikori	7.07E-03	2.54E-02	94
	Gilles Simon	1.32E-02	4.59E-03	83
	Milos Raonic	1.45E-02	7.25E-03	78
	Philipp Kohlschreiber	2.18E-06	5.35E-03	76
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