# Lecture 14 Introduction to Deep Unsupervised Learning CMSC 35246: Deep Learning

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G. Hinton and R. Salakhutdinov, "Semantic Hashing", 2006

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• Solutions are eigenvectors!


#### PCA on Face Images: Eigenfaces





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#### **Eigenfaces: Features**



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• Encoding:  $\mathbf{x} \to \mathbf{h} = W\mathbf{x}$ . Decoding:  $\mathbf{h} \to \tilde{\mathbf{x}} = V\mathbf{h}$ 



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• This is a linear Autoencoder

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#### Autoencoder: Non-Linear PCA



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#### Autoencoder: Implicit Bottleneck





• Canonical example: Cocktail party problem





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# **Image Classification**

#### Evaluated on Caltech101 object category dataset.



Lee, Battle, Raina, Ng, 2006



Slide Credit: Honglak Lee

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### **Features for Faces**



Figure: Charles Cadieu


# **Encoding-Decoding**

- Encoding: Implicit non-linear (in x) encoding
- Decoding: Explicit linear decoding
- Can be overcomplete

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#### Simple Neural Network

#### **Sparse Autoencoders**



#### **Stacked Autoencoders**



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# **Pre-Training**



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#### Deep Autoencoders (2006)



Fig. 1. Pretraining consists of learning a stack of restricted Boltzmann machines (RBMs), each having only one layer of feature detectors. The learned feature activations of one RBM are used as the "data" for training the next RBM in the stack. After the pretraining, the RBMs are "unrolled" to create a deep autoencoder, which is then fine-tuned using backpropagation of error derivatives.

G. E. Hinton, R. R. Salakhutdinov, Reducing the dimensionality of data with neural networks, Science, 2006

#### It was hard to train deep feedforward networks from scratch in 2006!

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• Energies are in the log-probability domain:

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