# Lecture 15 <br> Introduction to Deep Unsupervised Learning II CMSC 35246: Deep Learning 

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## Image Classification

## Evaluated on Caltech101 object category dataset.



Input Image


Features (coefficients)

| Algorithm | Accuracy |
| :---: | :---: |
| Baseline (Fei-Fei et al., 2004) | $16 \%$ |
| PCA | $37 \%$ |
| Sparse Coding | $\mathbf{4 7 \%}$ |

Slide Credit: Honglak Lee

## Features for Faces



Figure: Charles Cadieu

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## Stacked Autoencoders



## Pre-Training



## 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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## De-Noising Autoencoder: Intuition



Figure: Goodfellow et al.

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- Canonical example: Cocktail party problem


Mixtures


Separated Sources

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Figure: Yoshua Bengio (FTML Volume)

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- How do learn in such a model?
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