## Autoencoders An Introduction

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## Context

- 1. The primary focus in this presentation is on time-series analysis.
- 2. Application to real-time machine data that for multi-variate timeseries (MVTS).
- 3. Autoencoders will be considered as a means of identifying relevant information in data and with this to enable dimensionality reduction.
- 4. Autoencoders can be trained in an unsupervised manner, this alleviates the need for labelled data.
- 5. Final goal is hybrid-learning, i.e., combining: a) a-priori knowledge, b) analytical techniques and c) machine learning.



## Elements of an Autoencoder

#### Autoencoder structure



Single layer model

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{s} &= f(oldsymbol{W}_e \,oldsymbol{y} + oldsymbol{b}_e) &\in \mathbb{R}^n \ oldsymbol{\hat{y}} &= g(oldsymbol{W}_d \,oldsymbol{y} + oldsymbol{b}_d) &\in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

Both f(x) and g(x) are activation functions, e.g.



Note both these activation functions have significant regions which are linear



#### With the ReUL activation we have



# With the ReUL we always have a piece wise function of linear operations on y.

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First definition in a learning context:

" Learning Internal Representations by Error Propagation" by: Rumelhart, **Hinton** and Williams, 1965.

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## Elements of an Autoencoder

## Autoencoder structure (mappings)



Composite map

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{y}} = G(F(\boldsymbol{y}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}), \boldsymbol{\beta})$$

#### The goal

The goal is to generate a reproduction  $\hat{y}$  of the input y that achieves a high degree of dimensionality reduction, i.e., n < m; while, maintaining the *significant information* from the input data.

Expressing the goal as a cost function

$$E(\boldsymbol{\alpha},\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \|\boldsymbol{r}\|_2 + \lambda R(\boldsymbol{s}, N(0, 1))$$

## The Concept of Low Rank Identity

#### Can the identity matrix I be factored?

Of course, since  $B^{-1}$  B = I. With special case  $A^T A = I$ .

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#### Do low rank factorizations exist? Yes, if we can accept some finite error E.



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00001000	-	0	1	1	-+	00001000	
00000100	-•	.5	0	1	-	00000100	
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The most efficient low rank approximations are Sylvester equations of the form:

AX + XB = C



#### Example Low Ran Approximation to Identity

#### Rank 10 deficint with $\in \approx 2.2e - 9$





## Low Rank Approximations are Nonunique

#### Original

Original



Structure (information) of the error is important, no only the magnitude.

Discrete bases functions can be used to define structure. Both reconstructions are rank 10 deficient



Random bases

Low rank approx (2)

#### Polynomial bases

## Analogy: Analysis and Synthesis Functions

#### Fourier analysis in the context of autoencoders



### Fourier filtering using truncation (Dimensionality reduction)



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## Low Rank Approximations with Bases

Raw data



Magnitude 0.0

#### Discrete orthogonal polynomials







Low rank approximations





Harmonic nr

Model differences



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## New Proposed Architecture



Error prorogation

$$\boldsymbol{y}_m = \boldsymbol{B}_c \, \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \qquad (20)$$

If  $\Lambda_{\alpha}$  is the covariance of  $\alpha$  (Variance of the latent space as approximation), then,

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{\boldsymbol{y}_m} = \boldsymbol{B}_c \, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \, \boldsymbol{B}_c^{\mathrm{T}}. \tag{21}$$



### Polynomials





### Discrete Orthogonal Polynomials





#### Constrained Discrete Orthogonal Polynomials





## Example 2

