

# Itakura-Saito nonnegative matrix factorization and friends for music signal decomposition

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# Nonnegative matrix factorization (NMF)

Given a *nonnegative* matrix  $\mathbf{V}$  of dimensions  $F \times N$ , NMF is the problem of finding a factorization

$$\mathbf{V} \approx \mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}$$

where  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  are *nonnegative* matrices of dimensions  $F \times K$  and  $K \times N$ , respectively.

$K$  is usually chosen such that  $F K + K N \ll F N$ , hence reducing the data dimension, but not always.

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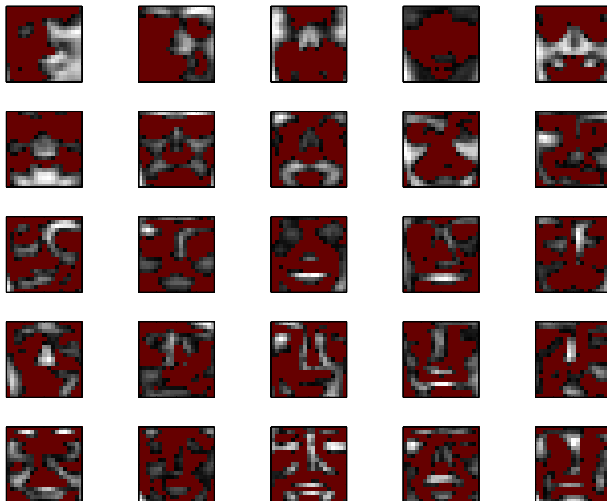
- ▶ **nonneg. of  $\mathbf{W}$**  ensures *interpretability* of the dictionary (features  $\mathbf{w}_k$  and data  $\mathbf{v}_n$  belong to same space).
- ▶ **nonneg. of  $\mathbf{H}$**  tends to produce *part-based* representations because subtractive combinations are forbidden.

Early work by Paatero and Tapper (1994), landmark paper in *Nature* 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 $K = 25$



*as shown in (Lee and Seung, 1999)*



# NMF as a constrained minimization problem

We seek to minimize a measure of fit between data  $\mathbf{V}$  and model  $\mathbf{WH}$ , subject to nonnegativity of  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$ :

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

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

Regularization terms are often added to  $D(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{WH})$  to favor sparsity or smoothness of  $\mathbf{W}$  or  $\mathbf{H}$ .

# Identifiability

Trivial scale and order ambiguities between the columns of  $\mathbf{W}$  and the rows of  $\mathbf{H}$ .

There may be more complex geometrical ambiguities if the data does not fill the positive orthant “sufficiently well”.

- ▶ In the exact/noiseless case  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{H}^*$ , the elements of the true dictionary  $\mathbf{W}^*$  need to belong to facets of the positive orthant (Donoho and Stodden, 2004).
- ▶ In the approximate/noisy case, the situation is less clear, see (Laurberg, Christensen, Plumbley, Hansen, and Jensen, 2008). Adding regularization terms certainly help.

# $\beta$ -divergence

A very popular cost function in NMF is the  $\beta$ -divergence (Basu et al., 1998; Eguchi and Kano, 2001; Cichocki and Amari, 2010), given by

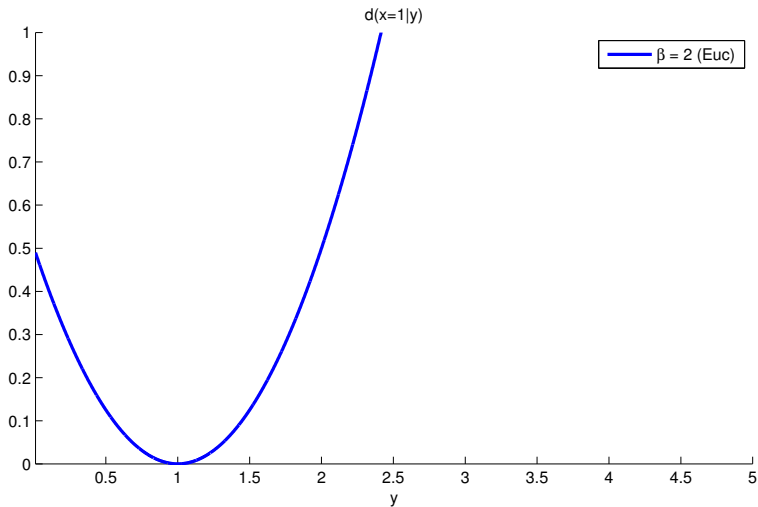
$$d_{\beta}(x|y) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\beta(\beta-1)} (x^{\beta} + (\beta-1)y^{\beta} - \beta x y^{\beta-1}) & \beta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0, 1\} \\ x \log \frac{x}{y} + (y - x) & \beta = 1 \\ \frac{x}{y} - \log \frac{x}{y} - 1 & \beta = 0 \end{cases}$$

which takes the

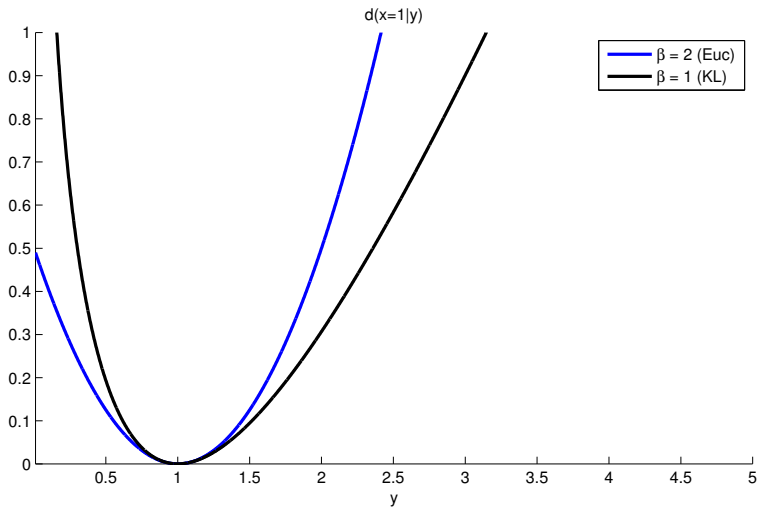
- ▶ Euclidean distance ( $\beta = 2$ )
- ▶ Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence ( $\beta = 1$ )
- ▶ Itakura-Saito (IS) divergence ( $\beta = 0$ )

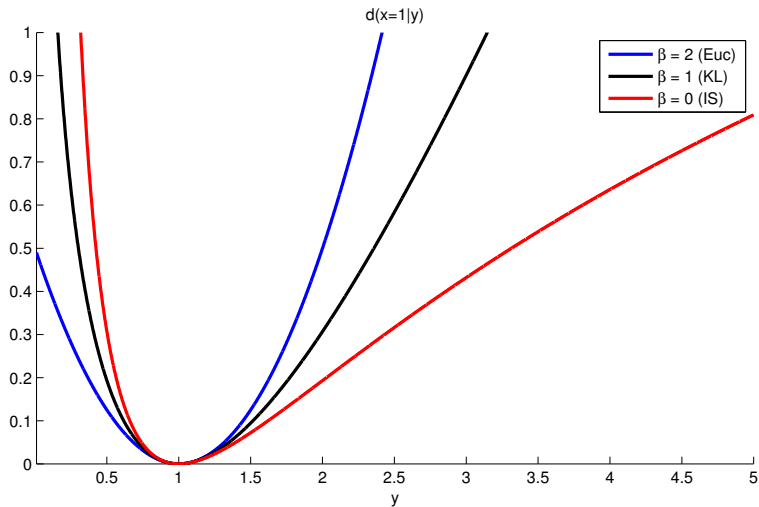
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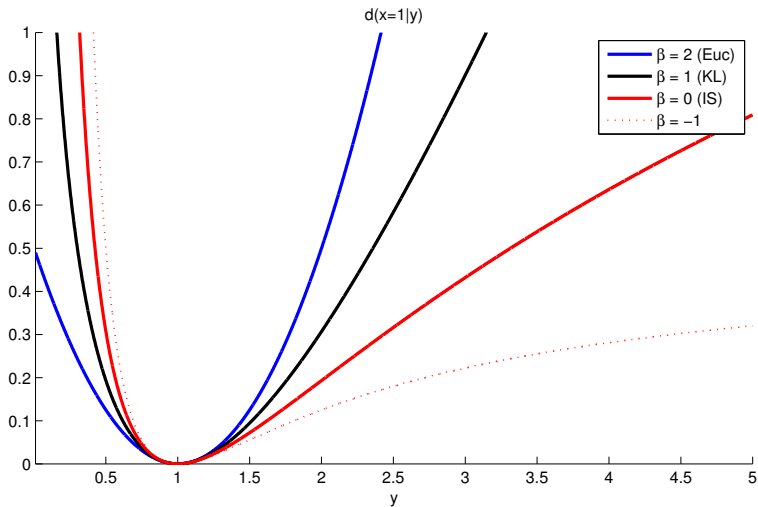


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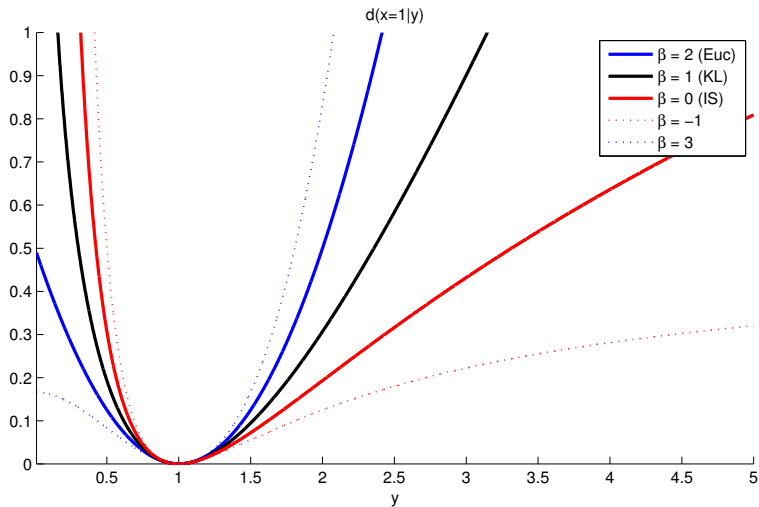


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- ▶ Block-coordinate update of  $\mathbf{H}$  given  $\mathbf{W}^{(i-1)}$  and  $\mathbf{W}$  given  $\mathbf{H}^{(i)}$

$$\min_{\mathbf{H} \geq 0} D(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{W}^{(i-1)} \mathbf{H}), \quad \min_{\mathbf{W} \geq 0} D(\mathbf{V} | \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H}^{(i)})$$

- ▶ The updates of  $\mathbf{W}$  and  $\mathbf{H}$  are equivalent by symmetry:

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

- ▶ The objective function is separable in the columns of  $\mathbf{H}$  or the rows of  $\mathbf{W}$ :

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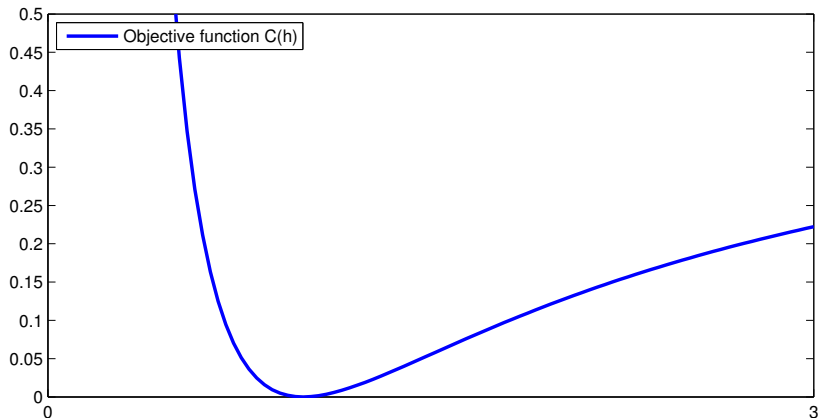
$$\min_{\mathbf{h} \geq 0} C(\mathbf{h}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} D(\mathbf{v} | \mathbf{W}\mathbf{h})$$

which is a *nonnegative linear regression* problem that has received considerable attention in image restoration, e.g.,

- ▶ (Richardson, 1972; Lucy, 1974) with KL divergence
- ▶ (Daube-Witherspoon and Muehllehner, 1986; De Pierro, 1993) for Euclidean distance
- ▶ (Cao, Eggermont, and Terebey, 1999) for Itakura-Saito divergence (aka Burg entropy)

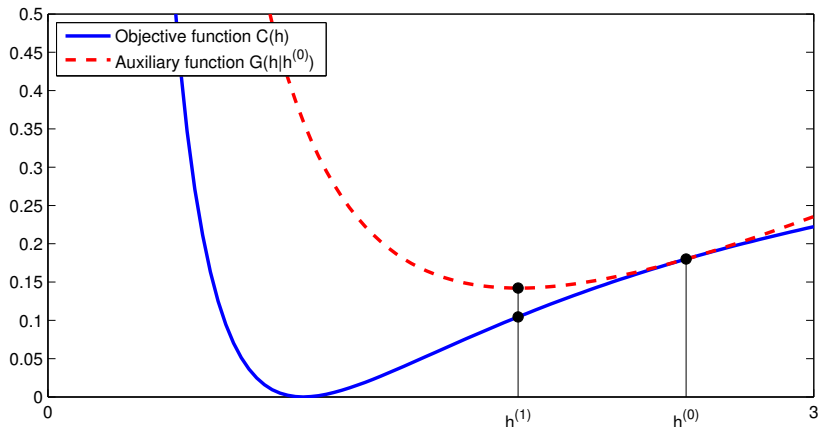
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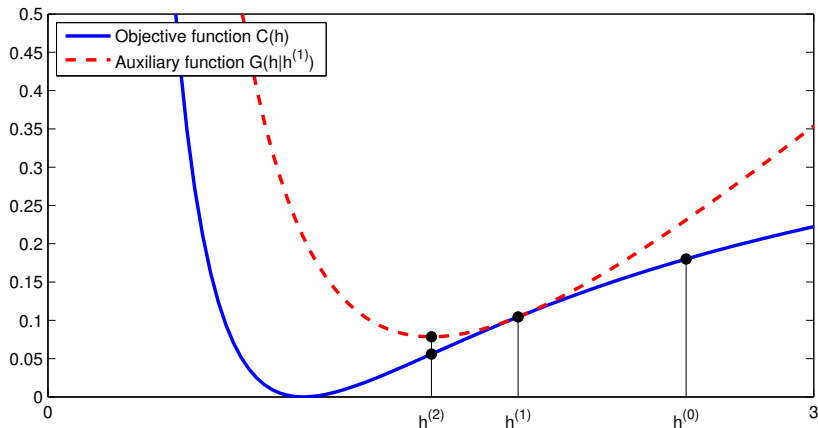
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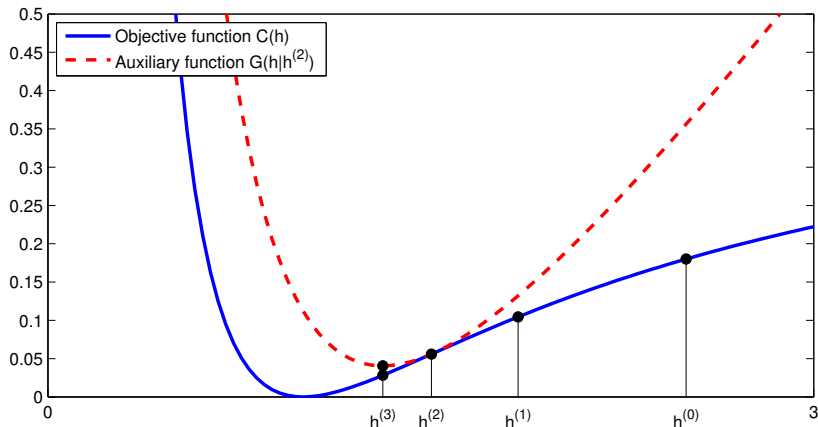
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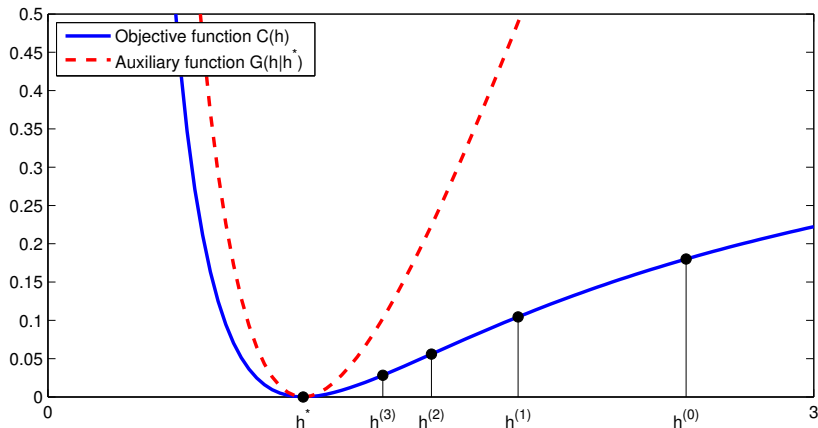
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In the end, MM for  $\beta$ -NMF leads to

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

where  $\gamma(\beta)$  is a scalar  $\beta$ -dependent exponent, see (Nakano et al., 2010; Févotte and Idier, 2011). Similar update for  $\mathbf{W}$ .

Multiplicative form preserves nonnegativity given nonnegative initialization.

Very easy to implement, of complexity  $\mathcal{O}(FKN)$  per iteration.

# Other algorithms

Specific to the Euclidean distance in most cases.

- ▶ Alternating nonnegative least squares (Paatero and Tapper, 1994; Berry et al., 2007)
- ▶ Projected gradient descent (Lin, 2007)
- ▶ Interior-point gradient descent (Merritt and Zhang, 2005)
- ▶ Quasi-Newton methods (Zdunek and Cichocki, 2007; Kim et al., 2008)
- ▶ Active set methods (Kim and Park, 2008)
- ▶ Fast coordinate descent (Hsieh and Dhillon, 2011; Cichocki and Anh-Huy, 2009)

*(selected references)*

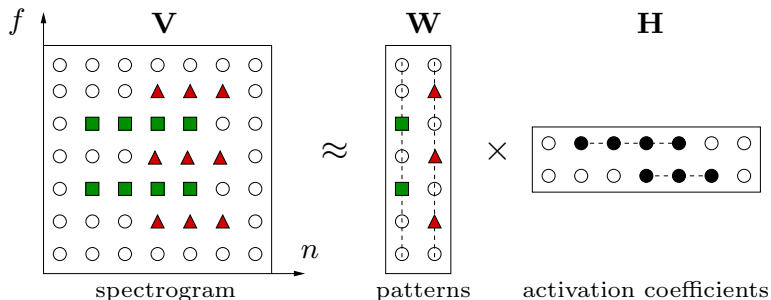
# Some applications of NMF...

- ▶ environmetrics (Paatero and Tapper, 1994)
- ▶ video summarization (Cooper and Foote, 2002)
- ▶ text mining (Lee and Seung, 1999; Xu et al., 2003)
- ▶ gene expression analysis (Brunet et al., 2004)
- ▶ Scotch whiskies clustering (Young et al., 2006) (!)
- ▶ hyperspectral imaging (Berry et al., 2007)
- ▶ portfolio diversification (Drakakis et al., 2007)
- ▶ clustering of protein interactions (Greene et al., 2008)
- ▶ food consumption analysis (Zetlaoui et al., 2010)
- ▶ image denoising and inpainting (Mairal et al., 2010)

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## ...and in particular

- ▶ music signal processing (Smaragdis and Brown, 2003)



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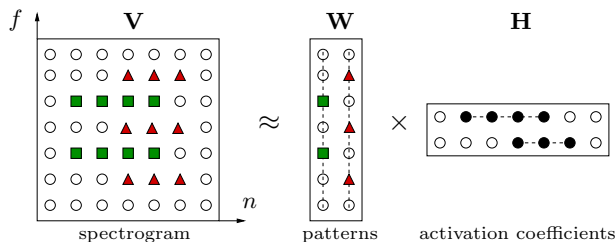
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# Model choices



- Magnitude or power spectrogram ?
- Which measure of fit should be used for the factorization ?
- NMF approximates the spectrogram by a sum of rank-one spectrograms. How can we invert these ? What about phase ?

# Itakura-Saito NMF: a generative approach

(Févotte, Bertin, and Durrieu, 2009)

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$$-\log p(\mathbf{X}|\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}) = D_{IS}(|\mathbf{X}|^2|\mathbf{WH}) + cst.$$

Additivity assumed in the STFT domain. Phase is preserved in the model, though in a noninformative way (uniform distribution).

Related work by Benaroya et al. (2003); Parry and Essa (2007)



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**Main message:** Itakura-Saito NMF of the power spectrogram corresponds to maximum likelihood estimation in a well-defined generative composite model of the STFT.

This in particular gives a statistically grounded way of reconstructing the components:

$$\hat{c}_{k,fn} = E\{c_{k,fn} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}\} = \underbrace{\frac{w_{fk} h_{kn}}{\sum_j w_{fj} h_{jn}}}_{\text{time-freq. mask}} x_{fn}$$

Lossless decomposition:  $x_{fn} = \sum_k \hat{c}_{k,fn}$

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Alternatively, IS-NMF can be interpreted as maximum likelihood in multiplicative noise:

$$v_{fn} = |x_{fn}|^2 = [\mathbf{WH}]_{fn} \cdot \epsilon_{fn}$$

where  $\epsilon_{fn}$  is exponential noise.

Related work by Abdallah and Plumbley (2004).

# Noteworthy properties of the IS divergence

- ▶ The IS divergence is scale-invariant:

$$d_{IS}(\lambda x | \lambda y) = d_{IS}(x | y)$$

Implies higher accuracy in the representation of data with large dynamic range, such as audio spectra. In contrast,

$$d_{EUC}(\lambda x | \lambda y) = \lambda^2 d_{EUC}(x | y)$$

$$d_{KL}(\lambda x | \lambda y) = \lambda d_{KL}(x | y)$$

- ▶ The IS divergence is nonconvex (inflexion at  $y = 2x$ ); was found to lead to more local minima in practice.

# Other statistical factor models of the spectrogram

Latent factor models for count data inspired from text analysis:

- ▶ Poisson models (Le Roux et al., 2007; Cemgil, 2009), similar to *GaP* (Canny, 2004)
- ▶ Multinomial models (Shashanka et al., 2008; Smaragdis et al., 2009), similar to *PLSI* (Hofmann, 1999) or *LDA* (Blei et al., 2003; Buntine and Jakulin, 2006)

Not generative models:

- ▶ Data  $|x_{fn}|$  is modeled as integer.
- ▶ Additivity is assumed at the magnitude level

$$|x_{fn}| = \sum_k |c_{k,fn}|.$$

# Small-scale example



(MIDI numbers : 61, 65, 68, 72)

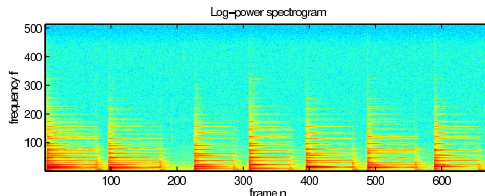
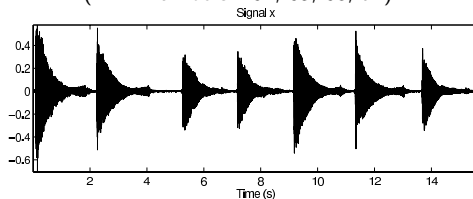
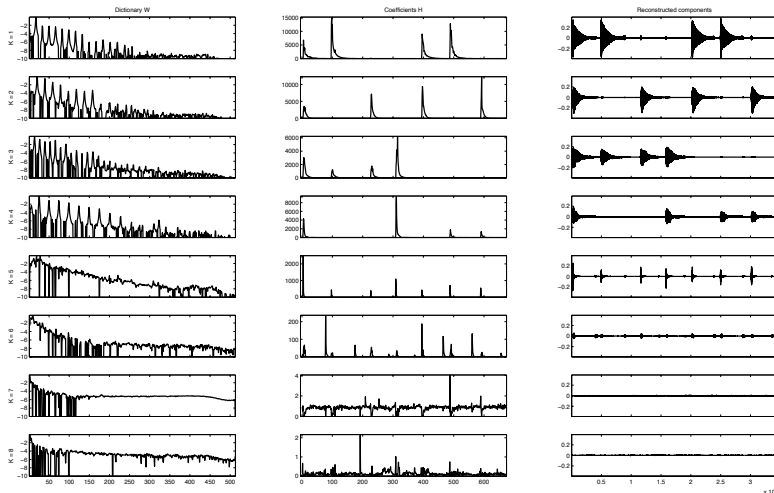
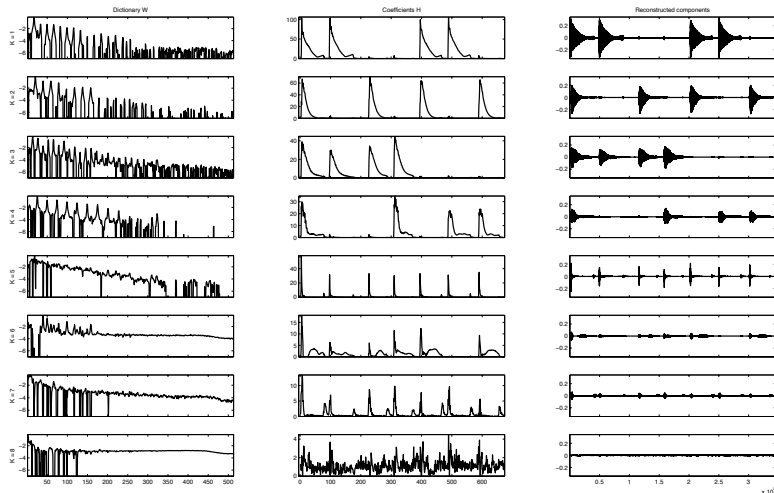


Figure: Three representations of data.

IS-NMF on power spectrogram with  $K = 8$ 

# KL-NMF on magnitude spectrogram with $K = 8$



Pitch estimates: 65.2 68.2 61.0 72.2 0 56.2 0 0  
 (True values: 61, 65, 68, 72)

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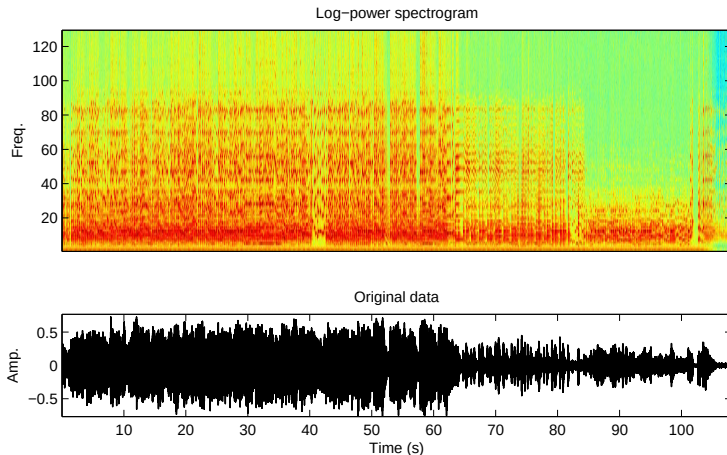
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Choosing  $D(\mathbf{h}_n | \mathbf{h}_{n-1}) = \sum_k d_{IS}(h_{kn} | h_{k,n-1})$  approximately corresponds to MAP estimation with an inverse-Gamma Markov chain prior on  $\{h_{kn}\}_n$ . See (Févotte, 2011).

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Louis Armstrong and His Hot Five



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## Effect of regularization

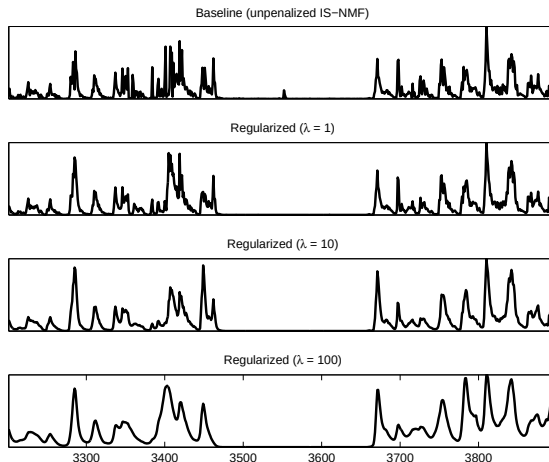
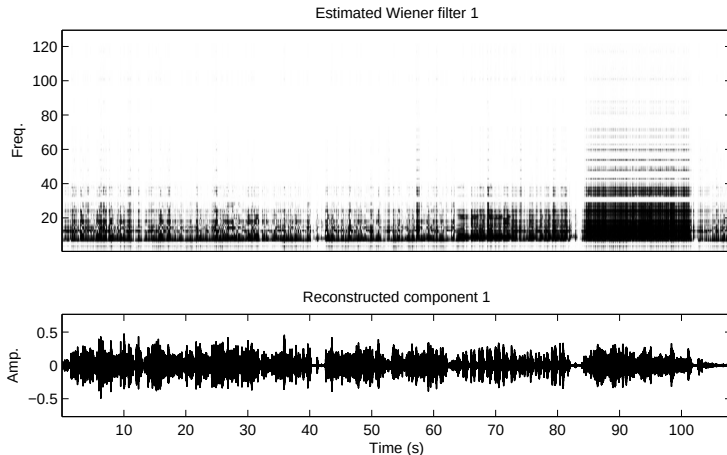


Figure: Segment of one of the rows of  $\mathbf{H}$  for different values of  $\lambda$ .

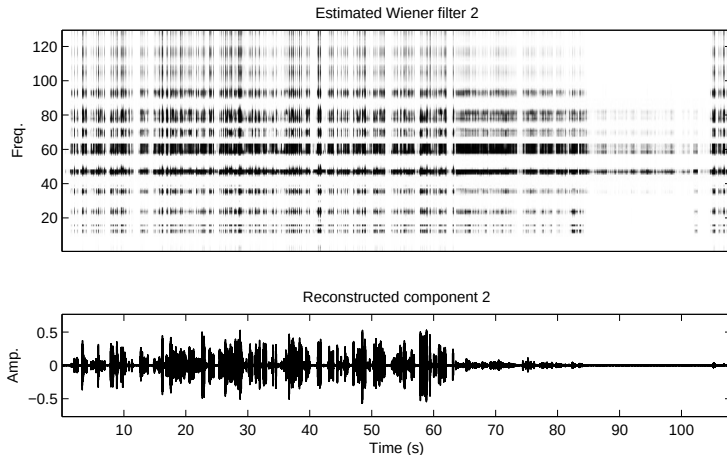
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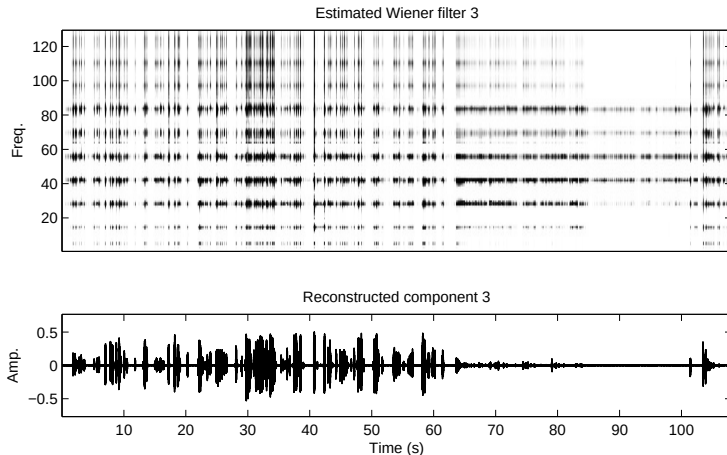
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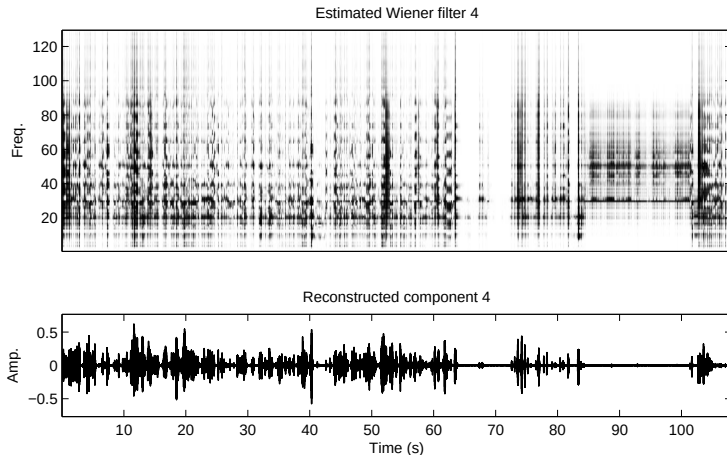
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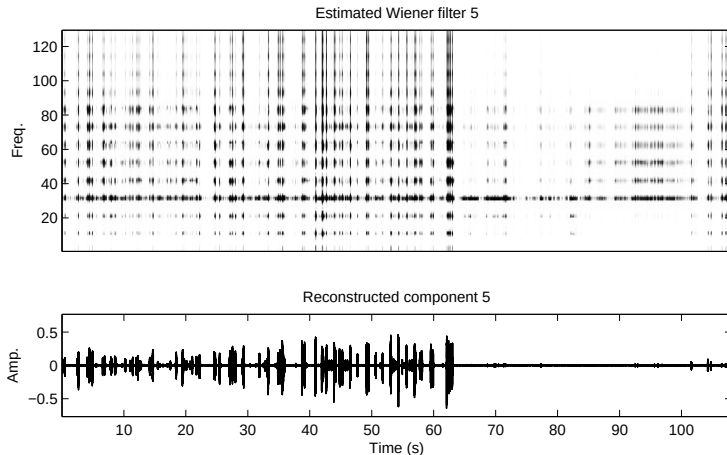
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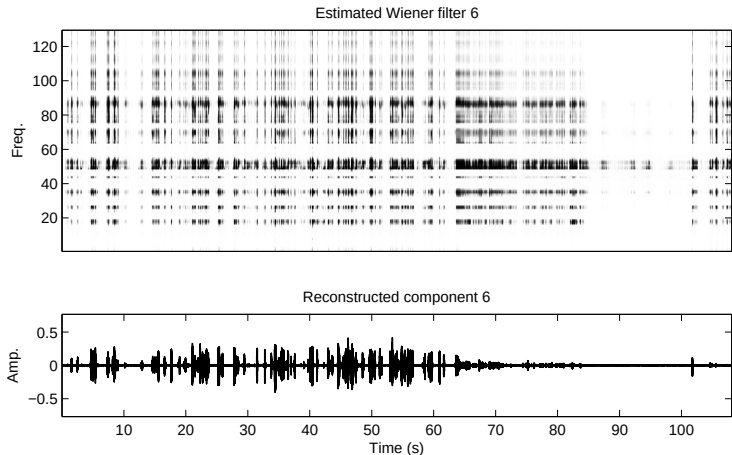
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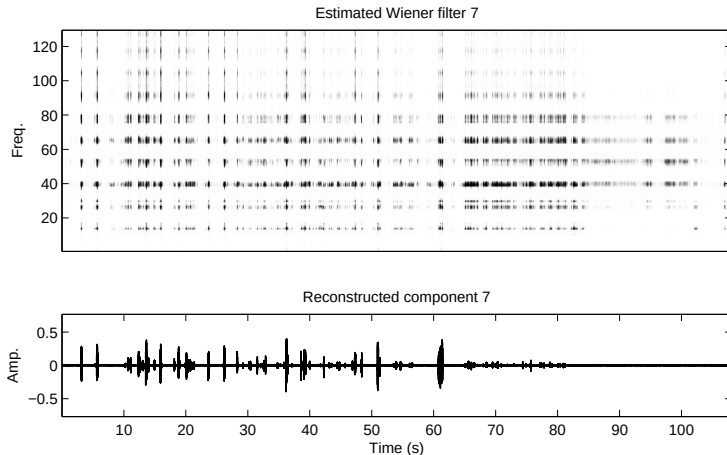
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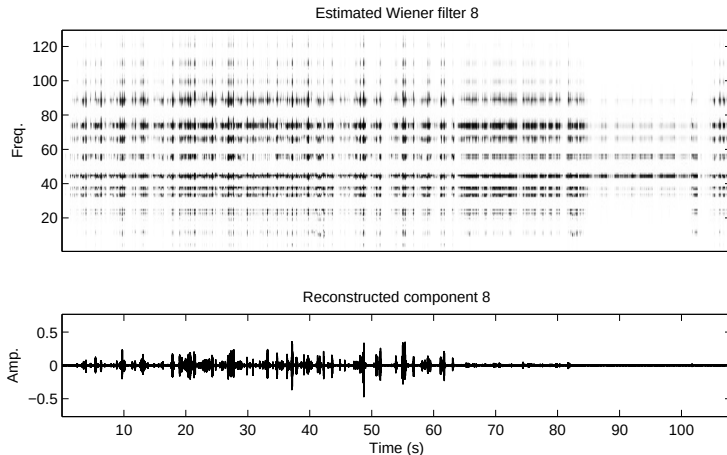
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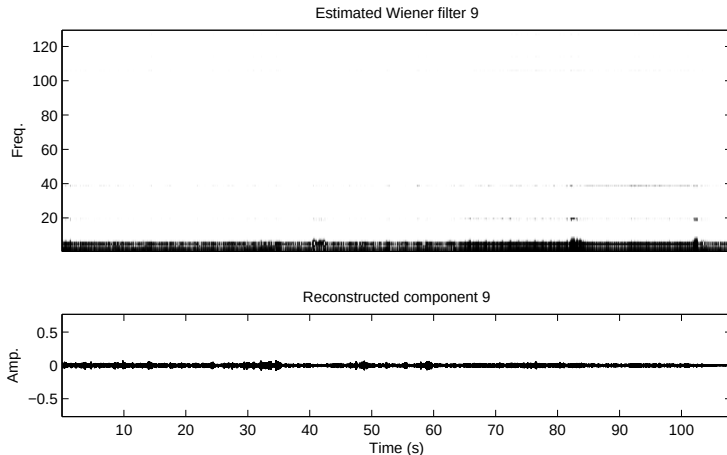
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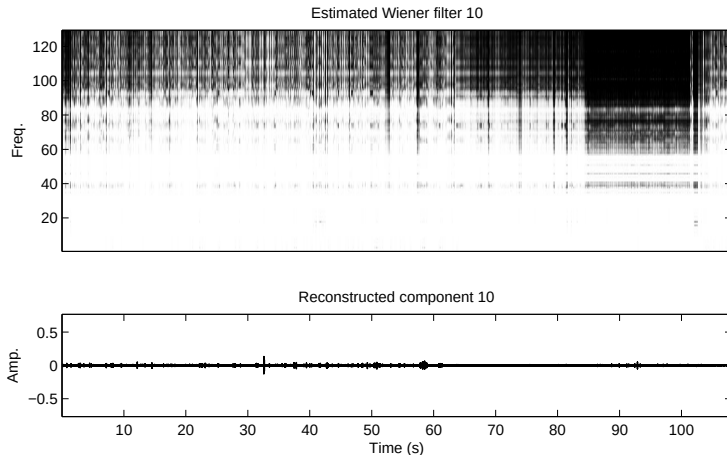
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Full audio restoration example

$$\text{Original mono} = \underbrace{\text{Accompaniment}}_{\text{Comp. 1,9}} + \underbrace{\text{Brass}}_{\text{Comp. 2,3,5-8}} + \underbrace{\text{Trombone}}_{\text{Comp. 4}} + \underbrace{\text{Noise}}_{\text{Comp. 10}}$$

Original mono denoised

Original denoised & upmixed to stereo

# IS-NMF with group sparsity

(Lefèvre, Bach, and Févotte, 2011)

Expected activation structure in music:

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \times & \times & \times & \times & 0 & 0 & \times & \times & \times & \times \\ \times & \times & \times & \times & 0 & 0 & \times & \times & \times & \times \\ 0 & 0 & \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & \times & 0 & 0 \\ \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 \\ \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 & \times & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exploit group structure to automate component grouping.

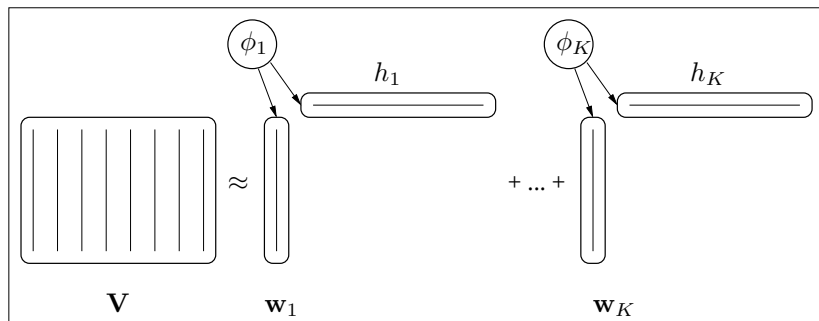
$$\mathbf{h}_n = \left[ \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \times & \times \end{matrix}}_{\text{Source 1}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \times & \times \end{matrix}}_{\text{Source 2}} \quad \underbrace{\begin{matrix} \times & \times \end{matrix}}_{\text{Source 3}} \right]^T$$

E.g., group sparsity:  $R(\mathbf{h}_n) = \|\mathbf{h}_{1,n}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{h}_{2,n}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{h}_{3,n}\|_2$

# Automatic relevance determination in NMF

(Tan and Févotte, 2009, in press)

Tie each column  $\mathbf{w}_k$  and row  $h_k$  through their prior, via a common “relevance” (scale) parameter:  $p(\mathbf{w}_k|\Phi_k)$ ,  $p(h_k|\Phi_k)$ .



Some relevance parameters converge naturally towards a small constant and the corresponding components are pruned.

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Under half-normal or exponential priors for  $\mathbf{w}_k$ ,  $h_k$  and inverse-Gamma prior for  $\phi_k$ , MAP boils down to minimizing

$$C(\mathbf{W}, \mathbf{H}) = D_{\beta}(\mathbf{V}|\mathbf{WH}) + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^K \log [f(\mathbf{w}_k) + f(h_k) + b]$$

where

- ▶  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2}\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$  or  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1$
- ▶  $b$  is a sparsity shape parameter

Concave term  $\log(x + b)$  induces group-sparsity at the column & row level.

Optimization can be handled in the MM framework.

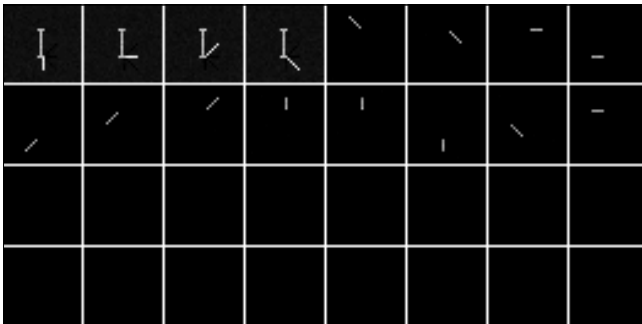
# Automatic relevance determination in NMF

Swimmer data decomposition

(a) Noisy data

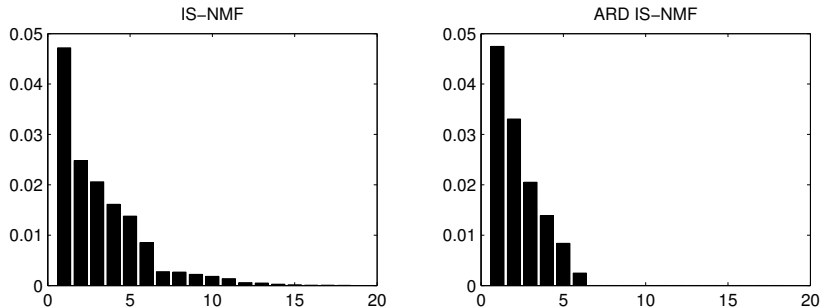


(b)  $\ell_1$ -ARD decomposition with  $K = 32$



# Automatic relevance determination in NMF

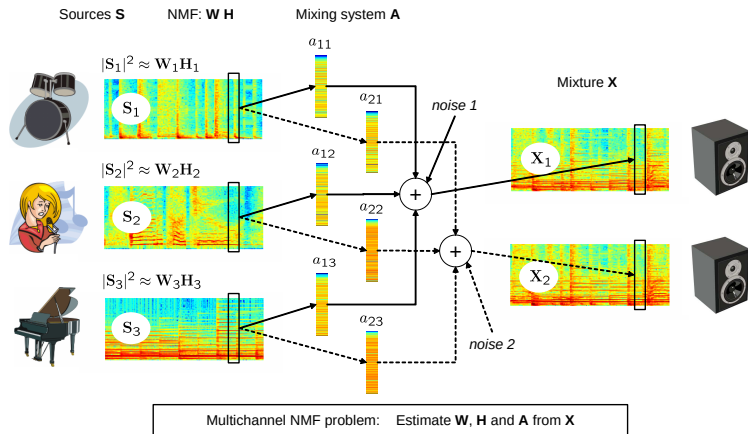
## Piano data decomposition



**Figure:** Standard deviation of reconstructed components with IS-NMF and ARD IS-NMF applied to previously used piano data with  $K = 18$ . ARD IS-NMF retains the six “ground truth” components only.

# Multichannel IS-NMF

(Ozerov and Févotte, 2010)

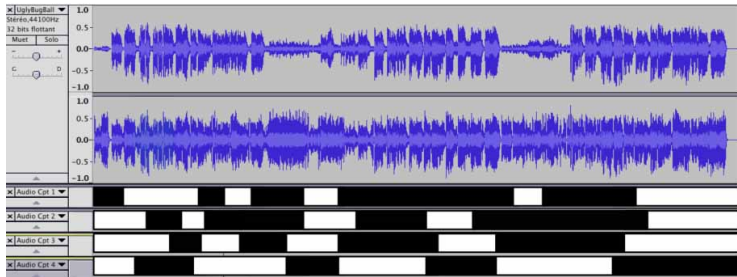


Best scores on the *underdetermined speech and music separation* task at the Signal Separation Evaluation Campaign (SiSEC) 2008.

# User-guided multichannel IS-NMF

(Ozerov, Févotte, Blouet, and Durrieu, 2011)

- ▶ The decomposition is “guided” by the operator: source activation time-codes are input to the separation system.
- ▶ The temporal segmentation is reflected in the form of zeros in  $\mathbf{H}$  when a source is silent.





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