

Discovering objects and their location in images

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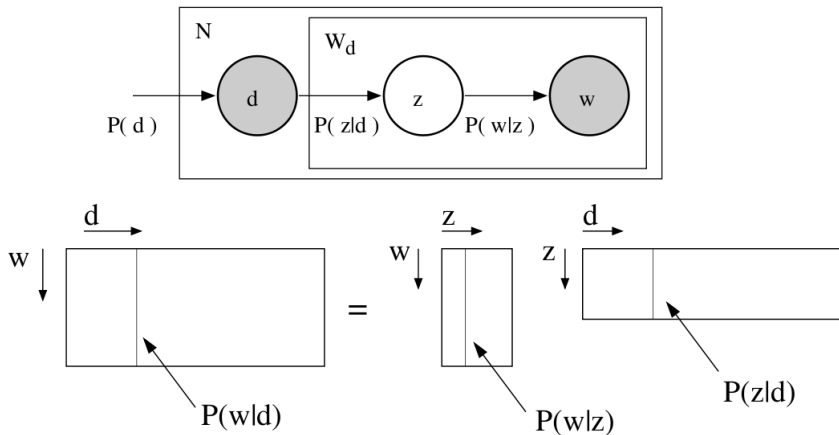
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Text

Document

Word

Topic

Vision

Image

Vector quantized SIFT

Category

Words words words

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- Cluster by k -means.

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- Minimizes distance between matrix and its (low dimensional) factorization.

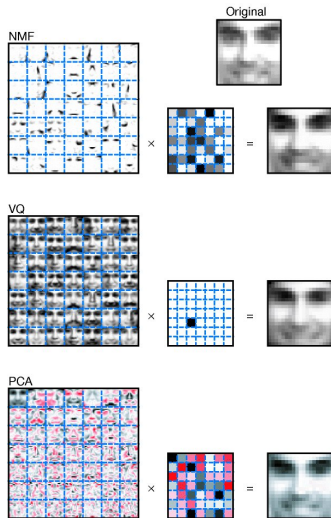


Figure: Nonnegative matrix factorization compared to vector quantization and PCA (Nature 401, 788-791. 21 October 1999)

Experiments

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Infer the distributions via maximum likelihood.

Expectation-Maximization of

$$L = \prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^N P(w_i | d_j)^{n(w_i, d_j)},$$

w.r.t. the factorization

$$P(w_i | d_j) = \sum_{k=1}^K P(z_k | d_j) P(w_i | z_k).$$

We can also calculate the probability of topics given words, by using Bayes rule.

$$P(z_k|w_i, d_j) = \frac{P(w_i|z_k)P(z_k|d_j)}{\sum_{l=1}^K P(z_l|d_j)P(w_i|z_l)}$$

So, for a given word in a particular document, we can calculate the probability that it comes from a given topic.

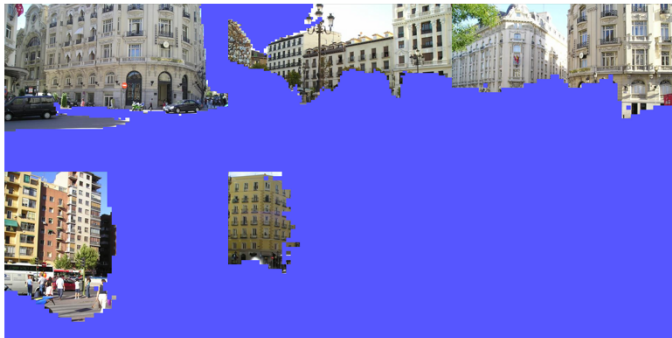
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- Exists in 64-bit version for large datasets.

Sample Topics, LabelMe $k = 5$

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Different Categories

What happens when we vary the number of categories?

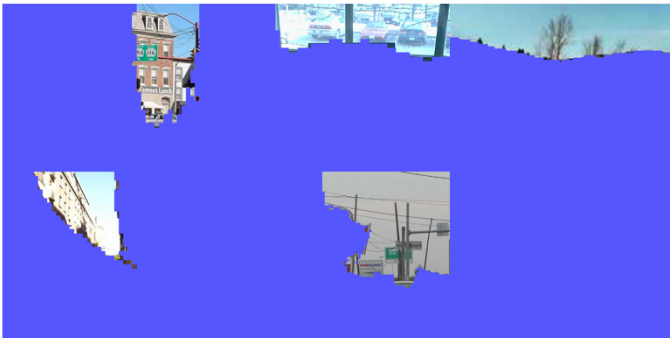
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Slightly different data!

What happens when we learn on a slightly different dataset?

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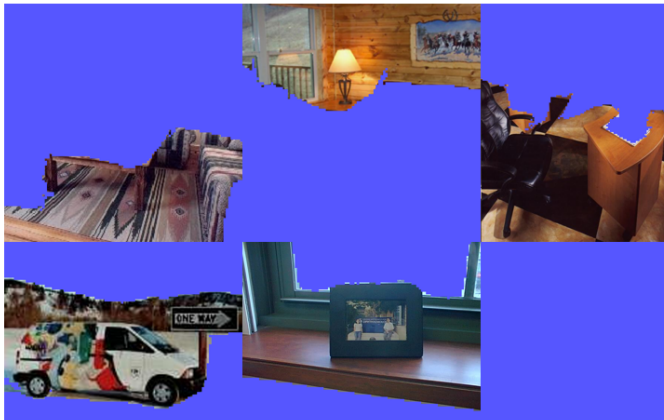
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- When should we use many categories, when should we use few?
- What kind of advantages compared to supervised learning?
- Do people use doublets in text?