



Scalable Learning for Restricted Boltzmann Machines

Elnaz Barshan
Paul Fieguth

System Design Engineering
University of Waterloo
Waterloo, Canada

29 October 2014



Vision and Image Processing Group
Systems Design Engineering

Outline

- Motivation
- Related Work
- Proposed Approach
- Experimental Results
- Conclusion

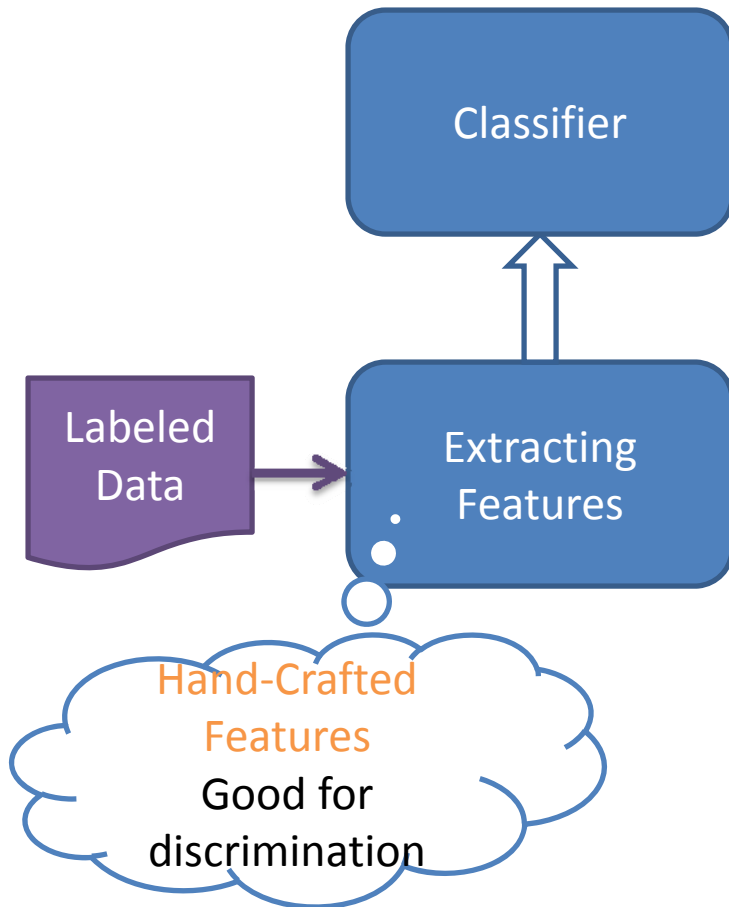
Object Recognition

- Why Challenging?
 - Large intra-class variation



Image Models and Unlabeled Data

Discriminative Model



Generative Model

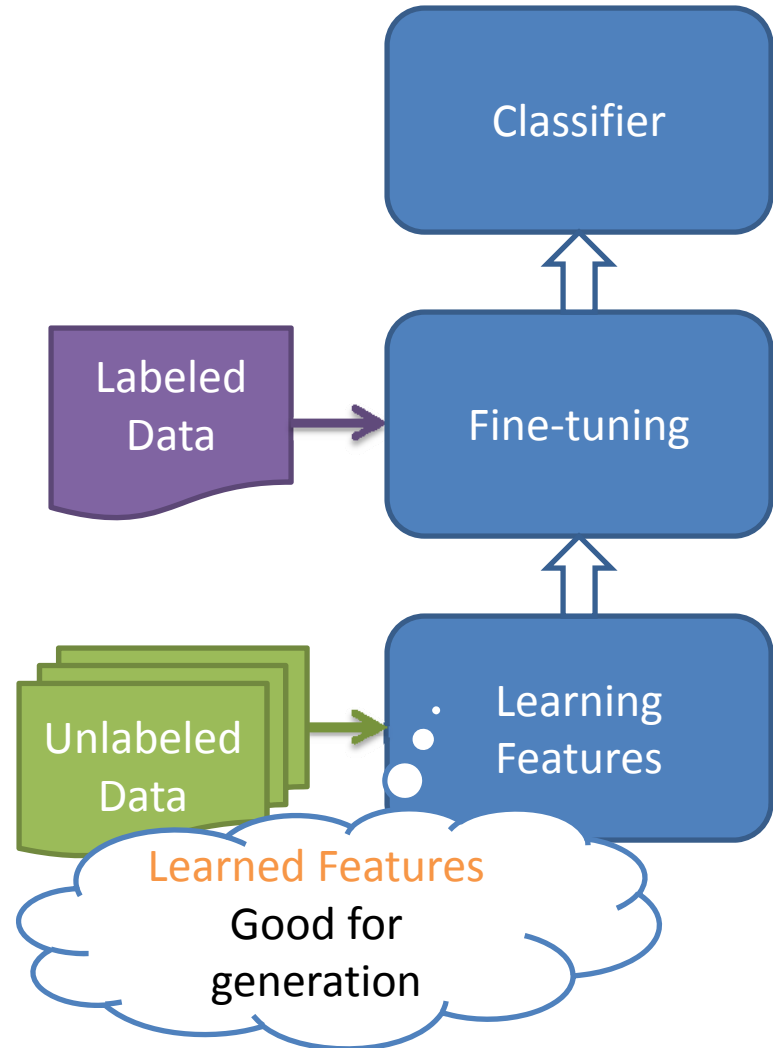
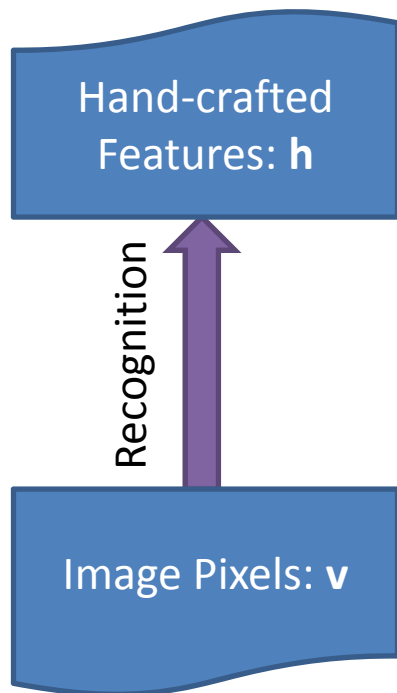
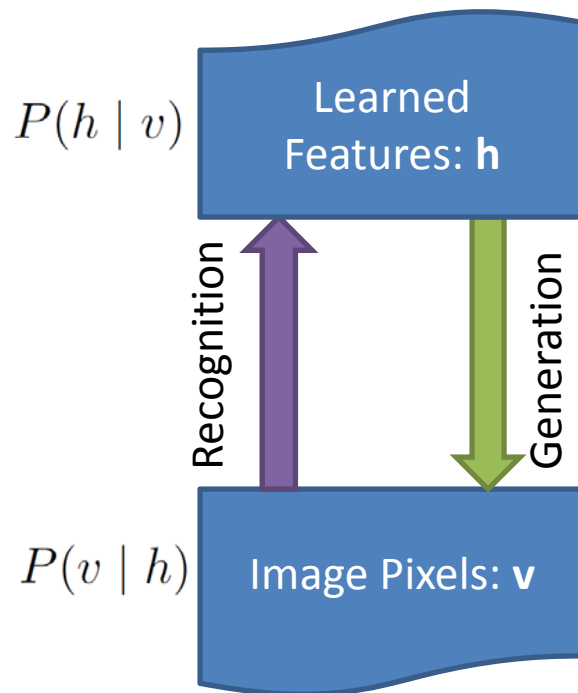


Image Models and Occlusion

Discriminative Model



Generative Model



$$P(v_{\text{missing}} | v_{\text{observed}}, h)$$



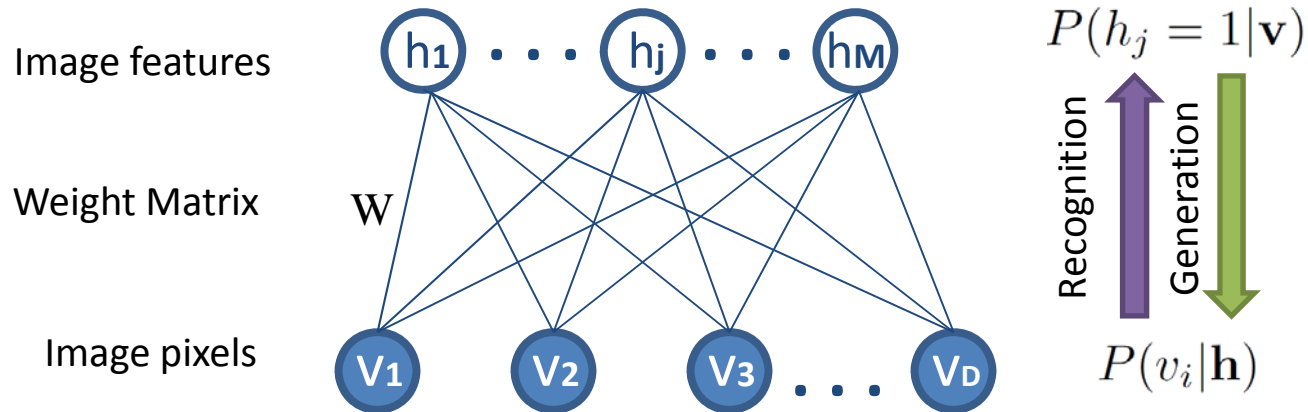
[Ranzato et al. 2011]

Outline

- Motivation
- **Related Work**
- Proposed Approach
- Experimental Results
- Conclusion

Generative Models in Visual Recognition

➤ Restricted Boltzmann Machines (RBMs)



■ Learning:

$$W_{opt} = \underset{W}{\operatorname{argmax}} P(\mathbf{v})$$

[Hinton 2002]

Basic RBM Issues

➤ Large Number of Parameters

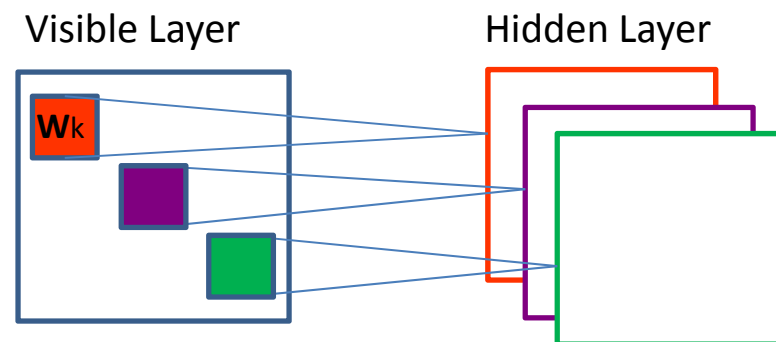
- Grows roughly quadratically with the image size
- Expensive weight learning procedure
- A threat to good generalization of the model

➤ Solution:

- Using a weight sharing scheme

✓ Convolutional Architectures

✓ Translation invariance is frequently violated.



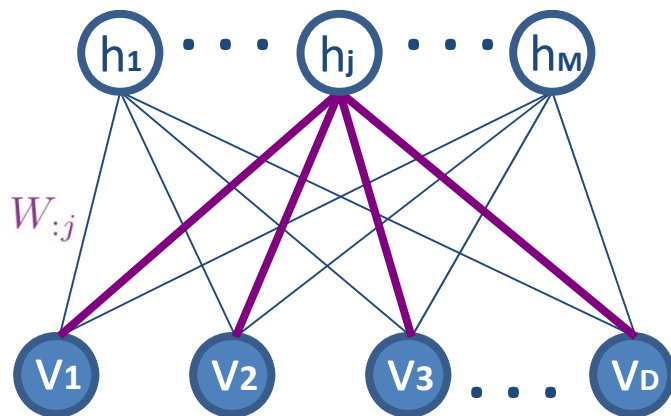
[Lee et al. 2009]

Outline

- Motivation
- Related Work
- **Proposed Approach**
- Experimental Results
- Conclusion

Proposed Strategy I

- Defining network weights as linear combinations of a set of predefined filters.



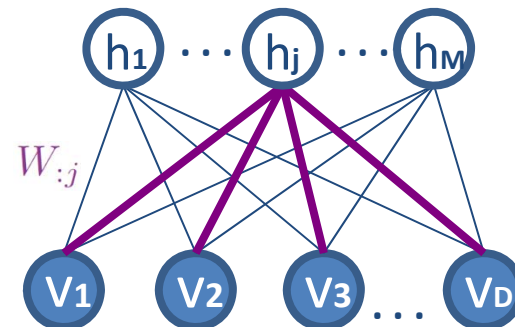
$$W_{:j} = \alpha_{1j} \begin{matrix} \text{[Gaussian Filter]} \\ \text{[Gaussian Filter]} \end{matrix} + \dots + \alpha_{pj} \begin{matrix} \text{[Gaussian Filter]} \\ \text{[Gaussian Filter]} \end{matrix}$$

- ✓ The number of parameters becomes independent of the size of the image.

Proposed Strategy II

- Given a filter bank $F = \{\mathbf{f}^1, \mathbf{f}^2, \dots, \mathbf{f}^P\}$:

$$W_{:j} := \sum_{k=1}^P \alpha_{kj} \mathbf{f}^k \quad \text{where } P \ll D$$



- Learning the weights α_{kj} of the filters:

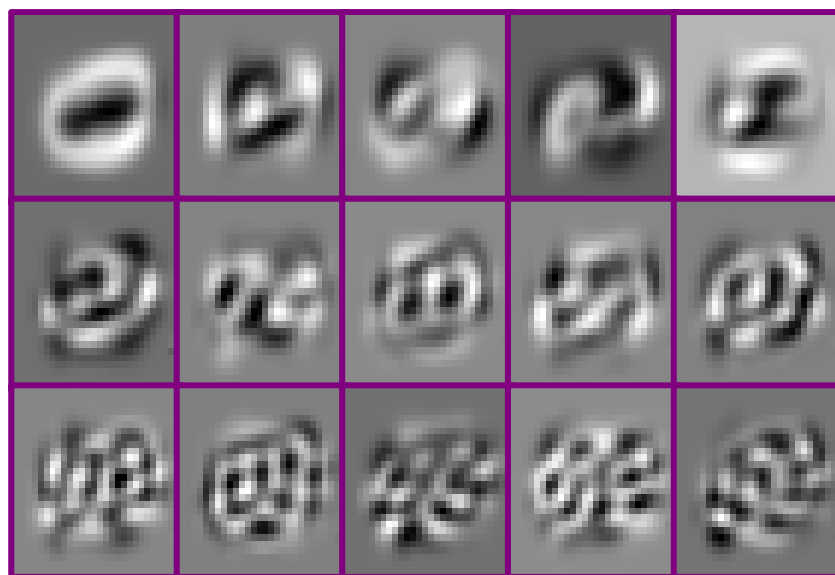
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{v})}{\partial \alpha_{kj}} &= \sum_{i \in vis} \frac{\partial \log P(\mathbf{v})}{\partial w_{ij}} \frac{\partial w_{ij}}{\partial \alpha_{kj}} \\ &= \sum_{i \in vis} (\langle v_i h_j \rangle_{data} - \langle v_i h_j \rangle_{model}) f_i^k \end{aligned}$$

Eigen-RBM

➤ Eigen-RBM

- Filter Bank: Top eigenvectors of the covariance matrix of the training data.

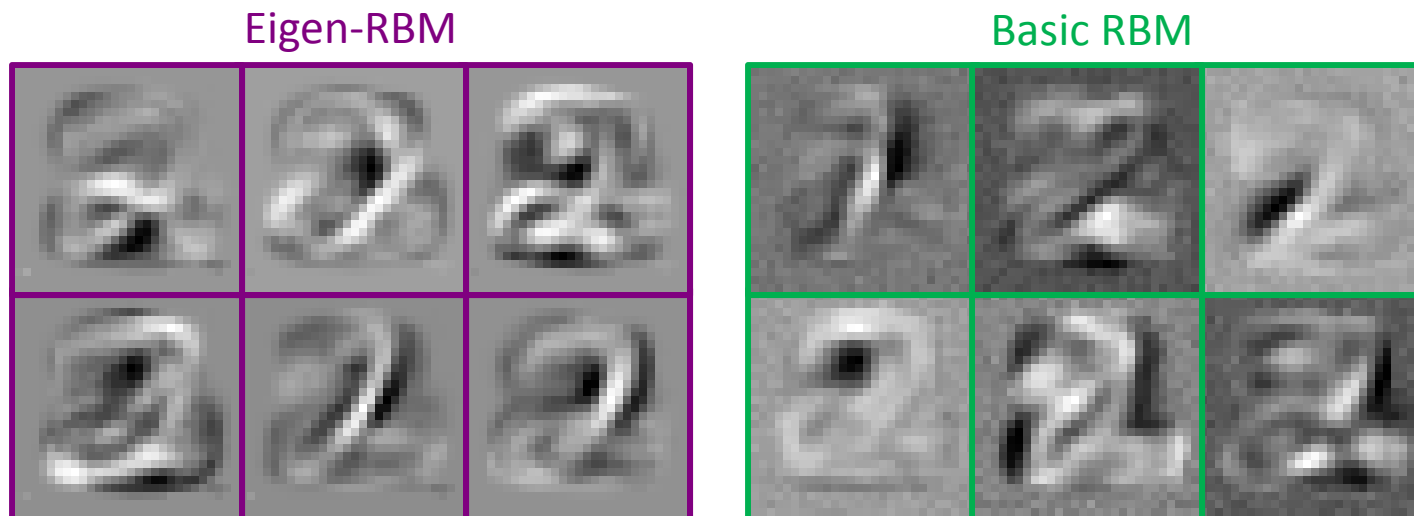
Eigendigits Filter bank



- ✓ Eigendigits capture information at a variety of scales from coarse to fine.

Eigen-RBM and Basic RBM

- The learned filters for a single digit class training data



- ✓ Although noise-reduction is not the objective, the learned Eigen-RBM filters are less noisy.

Outline

- Motivation
- Related Work
- Proposed Approach
- **Experimental Results**
- Conclusion

Setup

➤ Dataset

- Small MNIST: 6000 training, 1000 test
- 28x28 images of hand-written digits

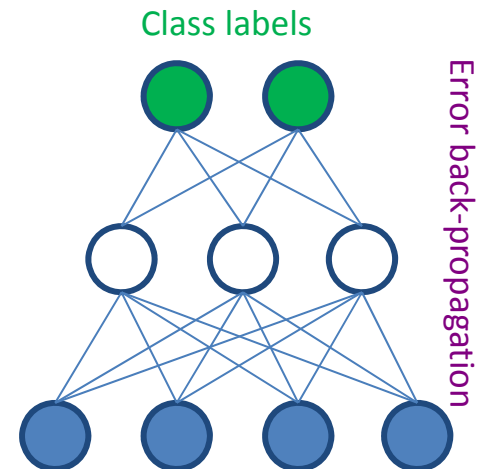


➤ Classifier

- 1NN

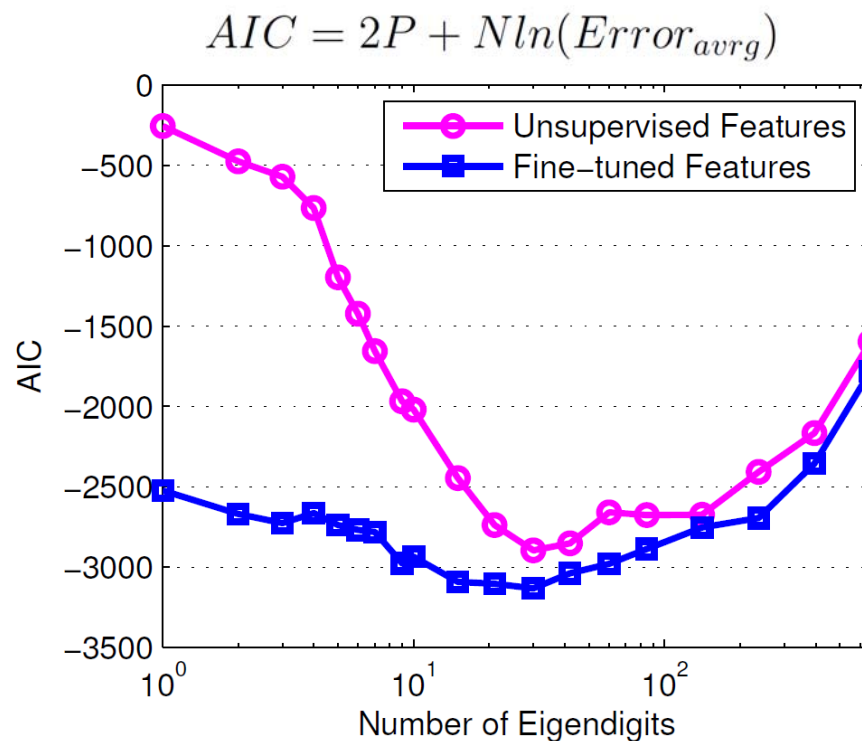
➤ Feature learning

- Unsupervised
- Fine-tuned using error back-propagation



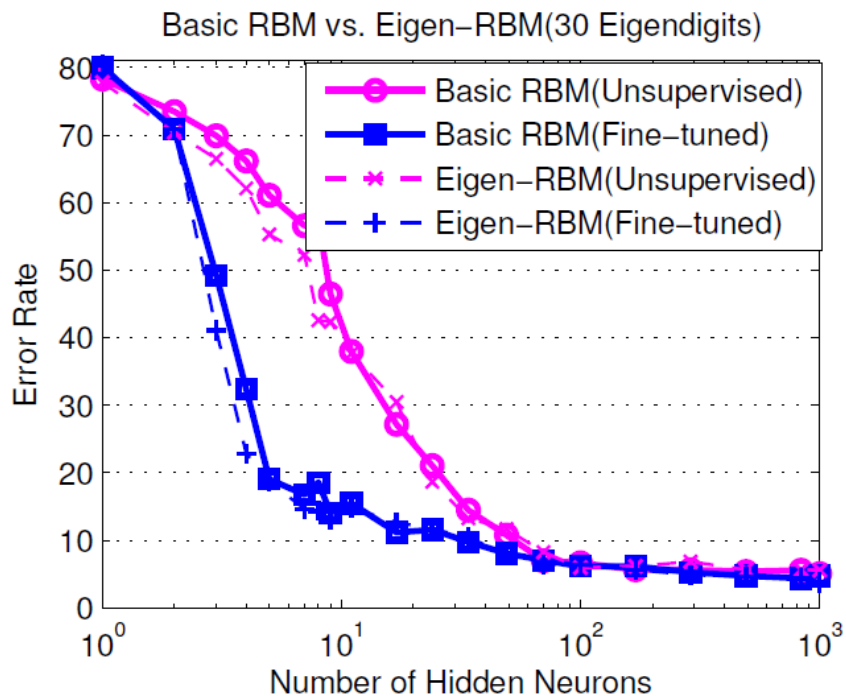
Eigen-RBM Analysis

- Determining the optimum number of eigendigits
 - Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)

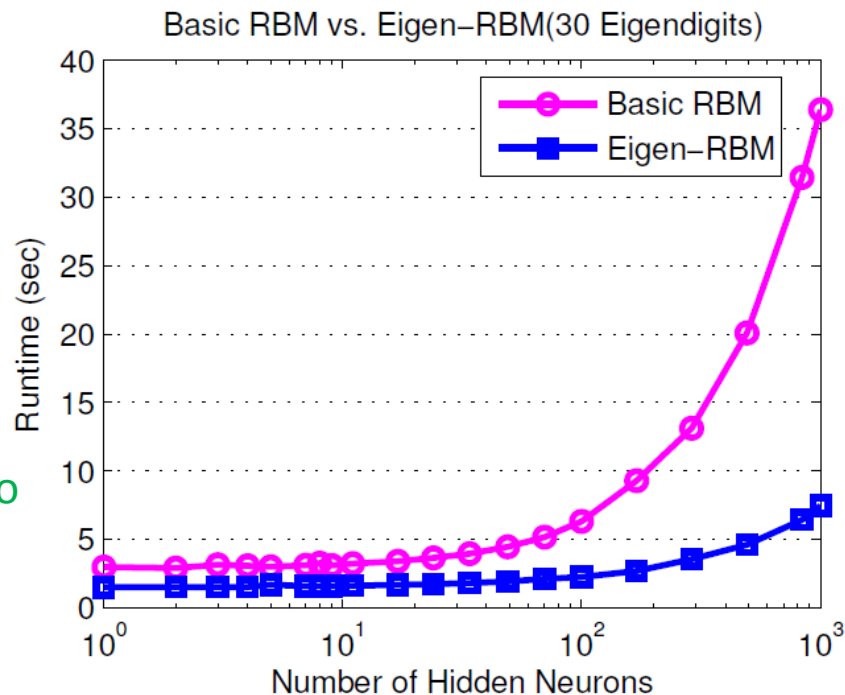


✓ We use the top 30 Eigendigits of the data

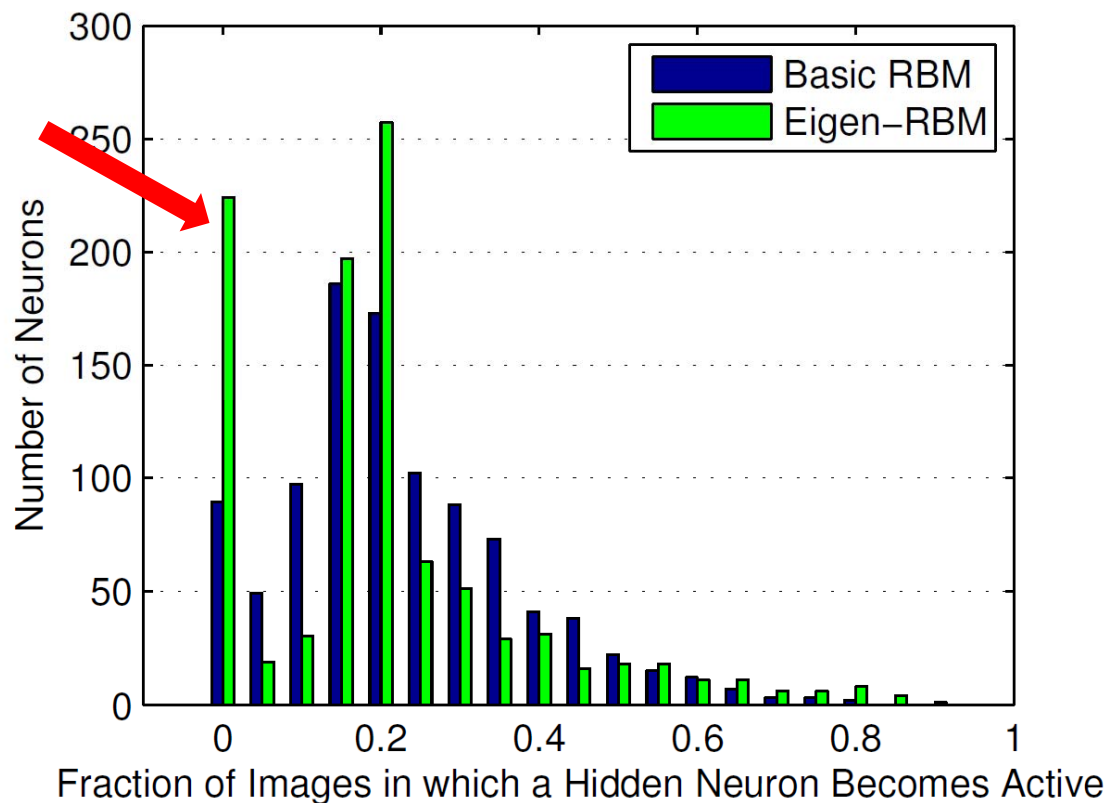
Recognition Performance



✓ Eigen-RBM has a similar performance to basic RBM, but with much less training time.



Sparsity in Recognition

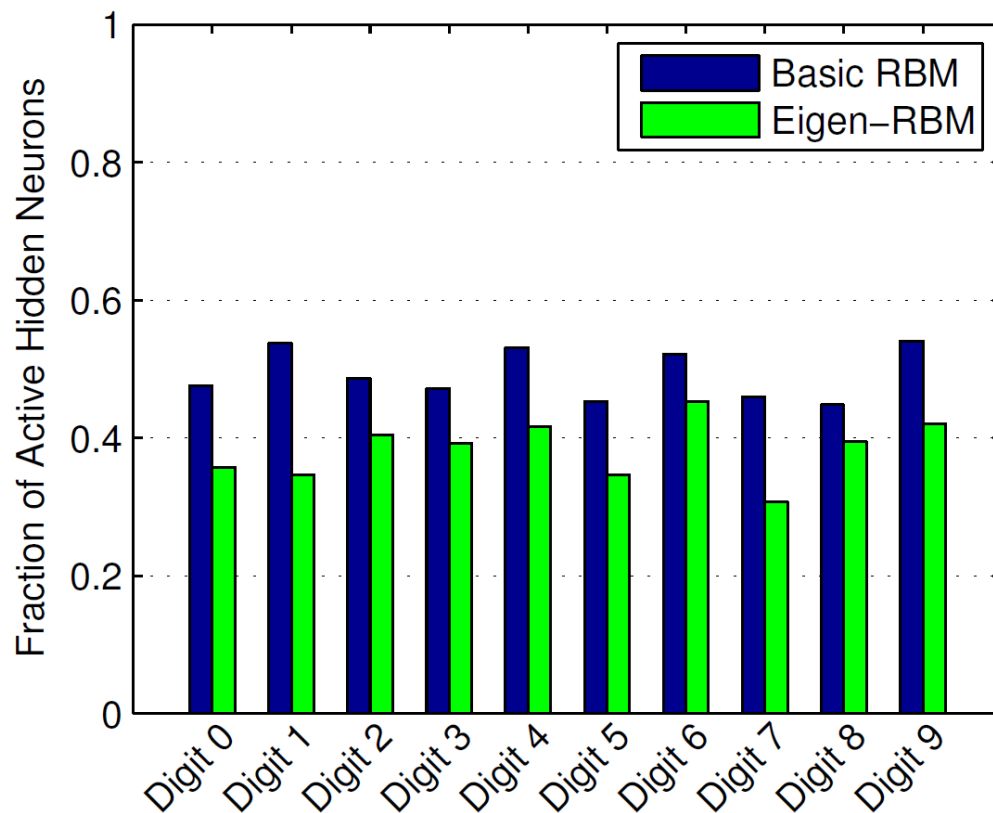


✓ Eigen-RBM representation is sparser than that of basic RBM.

Sample Generation



Sparsity in Sample Generation



- ✓ Eigen-RBM generates similar or better samples with more sparse representations than basic RBM.

Outline

- Motivation
- Related Work
- Proposed Approach
- Preliminary Results
- Conclusion

Conclusion

➤ Eigen-RBM:

- Scalable weight learning algorithm
- Number of parameters is independent of the image size

➤ Compared to Basic RBM:

- Similar or better performance
- Much less training time
- More sparse representations

Questions and Suggestions

Thank you!

Essentially, all Models are wrong, but some are useful.

George P. E. Box