

IFT 4030/7030,
Machine Learning for Signal Processing
**Week4: Machine Learning 1,
Decompositions**

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- More specifically, we will build a framework around learnable decompositions.
 - ▶ Plus spécifiquement on va batir un framework autour des decompositions appris.

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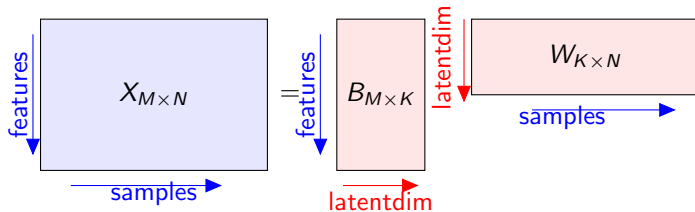
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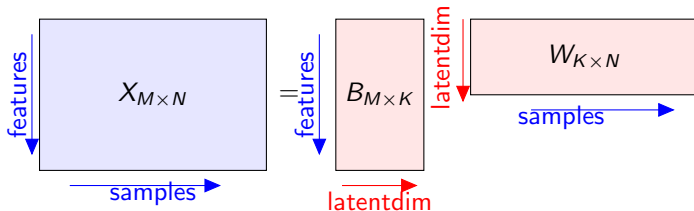
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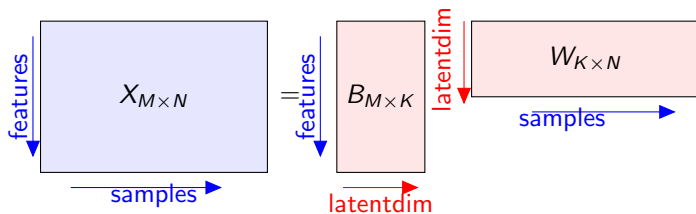
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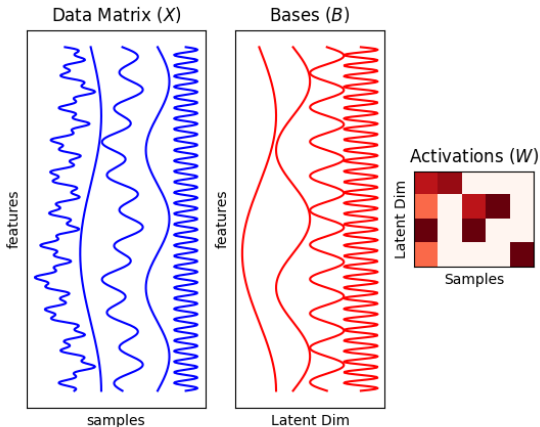
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Example

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 - Vous-vous en souvenez ça de la semaine passée?



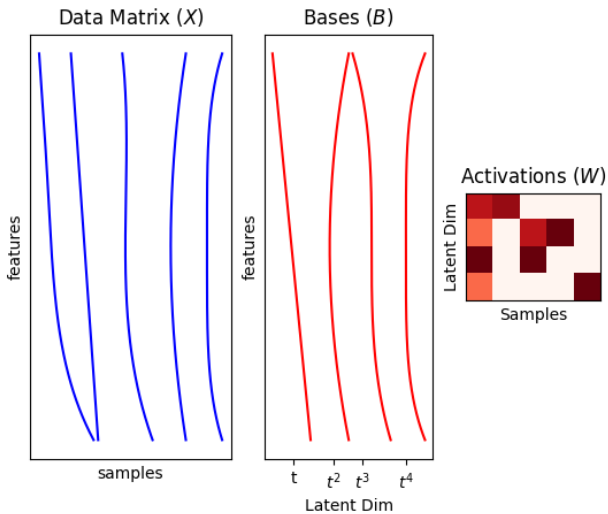
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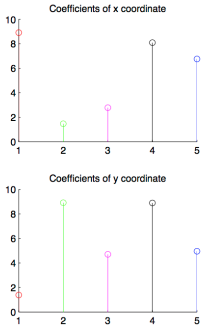
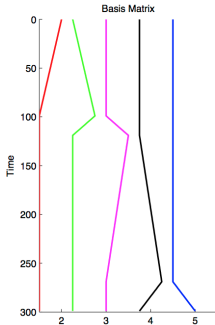
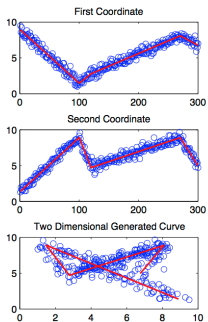
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 - ▶ On peut utiliser des bases autres que les sinusoids!

Non-sinusoids (finally)

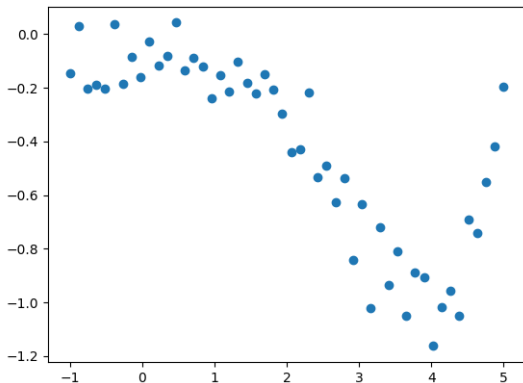


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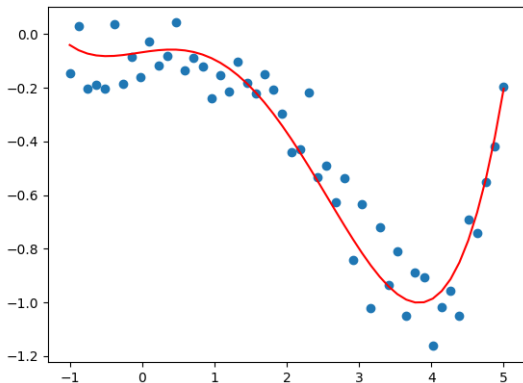
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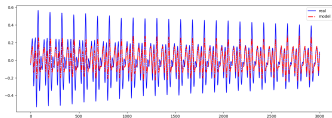
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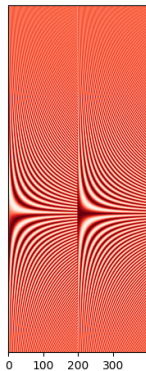


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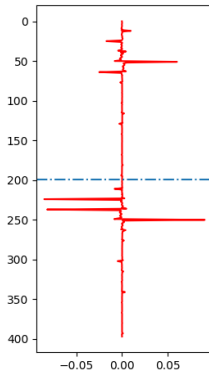
- Modeling a guitar string Listen Real, Listen the Model
 - ▶ Modélisons un corde de guitare



Bases B



Activations W



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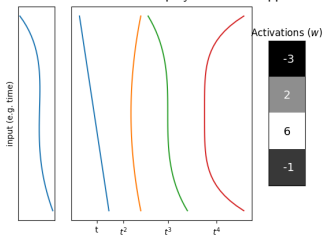
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- Here's an example design matrix with polynomial basis functions. This particular choice is also called a Vandermonde matrix.
 - ▶ Voici un matrice de desin exmpleaire avec fonctions de bases polynomiell. On appele ce choix la matrice Vandermonde.



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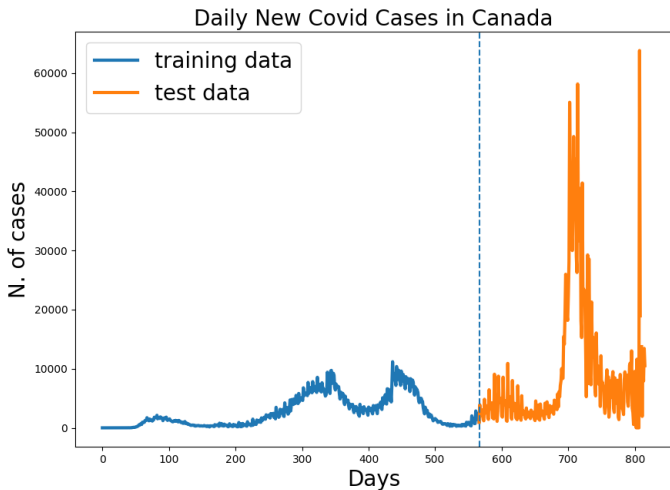
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Btw, do see that we have a series of convolutions? / En passant, vous voyez vous qu'on fait des convolutions?

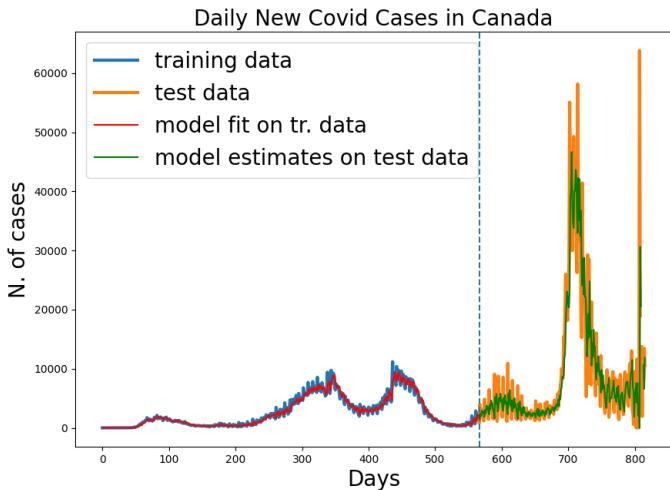
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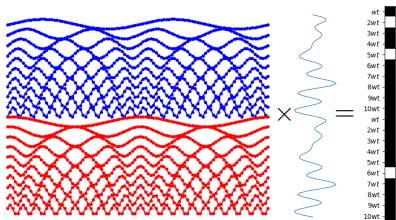
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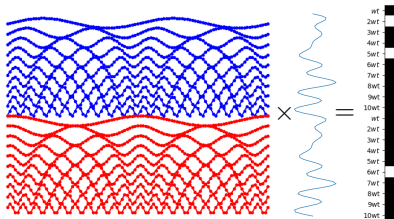
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- We can then deduce that DFT maximizes the Gaussian Likelihood under this linear regression / decomposition model! (or minimizes l_2 error)
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$$\min_W \|X - BW\|$$

- ▶ But, we can learn B too!
- ▶ Mais, on peut apprendre B aussi!

$$\min_{B,W} \|X - BW\|$$

But how?

- We can alternate the least squares solution such that,
 - ▶ On peut juste alterner entre les solutions least-squares,

Algorithm 1 Alternating Least Squares

1: **procedure** ALTERNATING LEAST SQUARES

Input: Input Data Matrix X . Threshold value ϵ .

Output: Estimated Basis and Activation Matrices \widehat{B} , \widehat{W} .

2: Initialize \widehat{B} , \widehat{W} .

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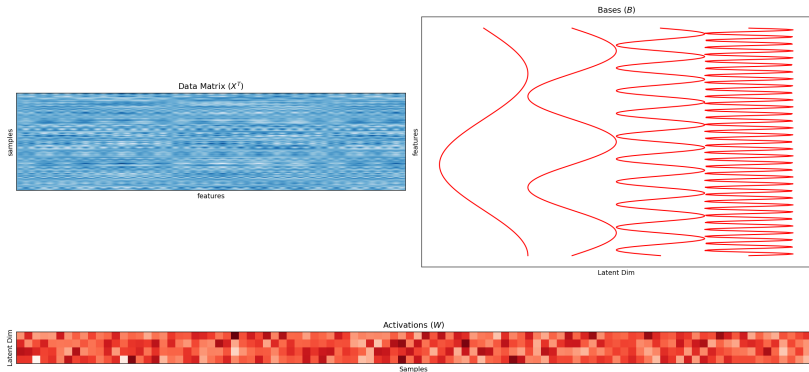
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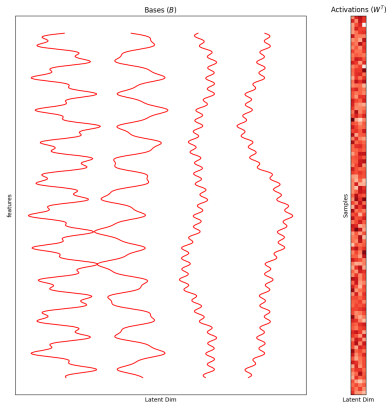
7: **end procedure**

Alternating Least Squares Dataset

- Let's try alternating least squares on this dataset
 - ▶ Essayong cet methode sur ce dataset



The result



- Kinda good, but we can do better.
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- ▶ On a trouvé la solution $B = U\Sigma^{-1/2}$!

- The columns of U are the eigenvectors of C !

- ▶ Les colonnes de U sont les vecteurs propres de C .

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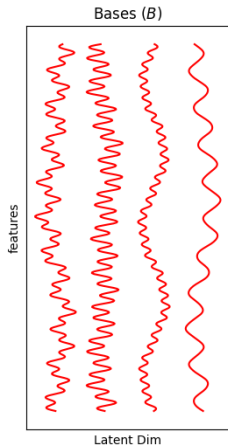
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- Similarly the other principal components are found..
 - ▶ Similairement, les autres composants principaux sont trouvés..

The recipe for PCA

- $X - \mathbb{E}[x] = U\Sigma V^T$
- $(X - \mathbb{E}[x])(X - \mathbb{E}[x])^T = C = U\Sigma^2 U^T$.
- We said that we need the eigenvectors of C , which are the columns of U . / On a besoin de calculer les vecteurs propres de C , qui sont les colonnes de U .
- We also note that the left singular vectors of $X - \mathbb{E}[x]$ also give the same result.
 - ▶ On note aussi que les vecteurs singuliers gauche de $X - \mathbb{E}[x]$ donnent la meme resultat.

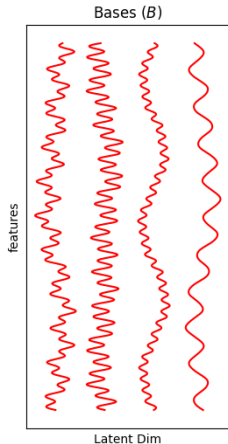
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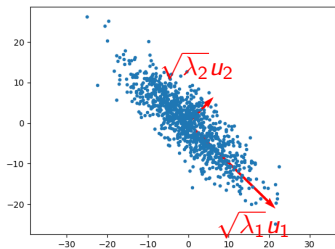
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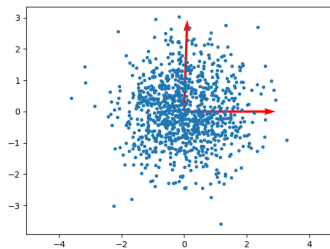


- We can improve this! (more on this later ICA)
 - ▶ On peut améliorer ça. (On verra)

Interpretation of PCA



$B^T X$
→



Note that $B^T = \text{diag}([\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}])^{-1} U^T$.

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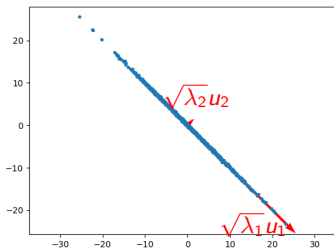
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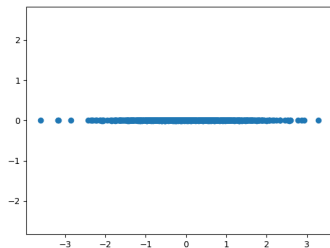
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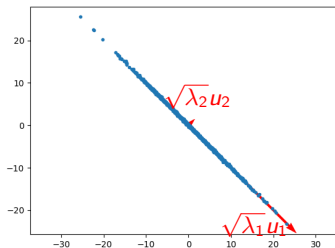


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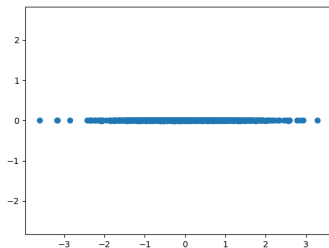
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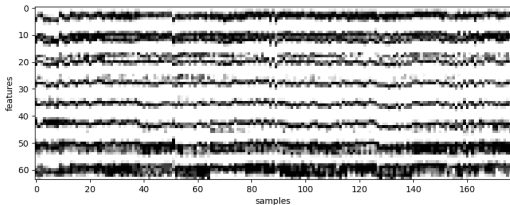
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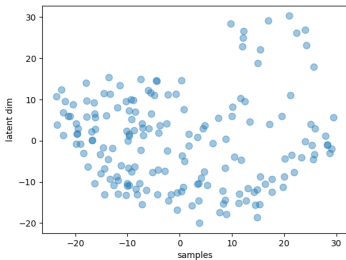
- $\lambda_1 = 10$, $\lambda_2 = 0.1$. Most of the variance is along one direction. We can only use one dim. / La variance est sur une direction. On peut s'en débarrasser d'une direction.

Embedding digits in 2 dimensions

- We only keep two dimensions / On garde juste 2 dimensions

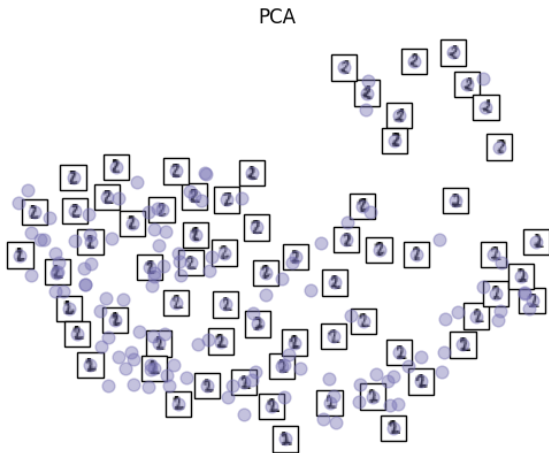


$$B^T(X - \mathbb{E}[x])$$



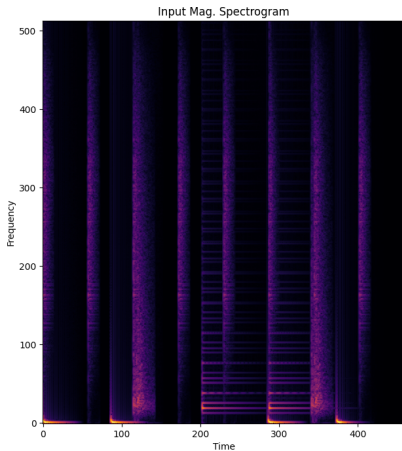
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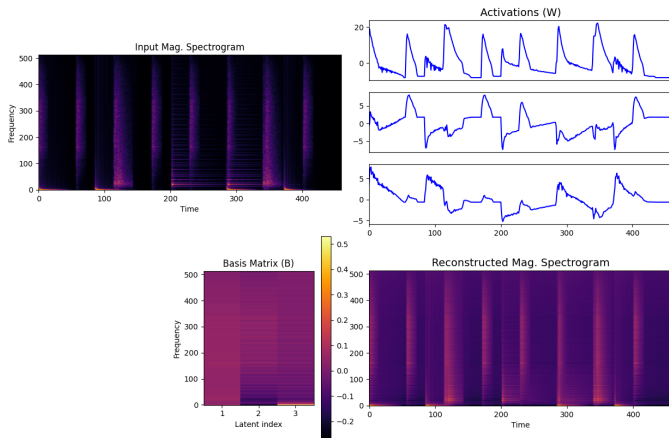


Embedding spectra

- Let's embed this spectrogram into a 3 dim. space / On va embedder ce spectrogram dans un 3 dim. espace. Listen



Embedding spectra with PCA



PCA on time-series

- Let's apply PCA on local windows of a time series / Appliquons PCA on des fenetres d'un time series

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_T$$

- Pack in a data matrix as follows

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_{1+s} & x_{1+2s} & \dots \\ x_2 & x_{2+s} & x_{2+2s} & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ x_N & x_{N+s} & x_{N+2s} & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that if we do $W = FX$, this is equal to Short-Time-Fourier-Transform that we saw last week.
 - ▶ Notez que si on utilise les bases de Fourier ça donne STFT.
 - ▶ s is the hopsize we saw for STFT. / s est le hopsize, meme que STFT.

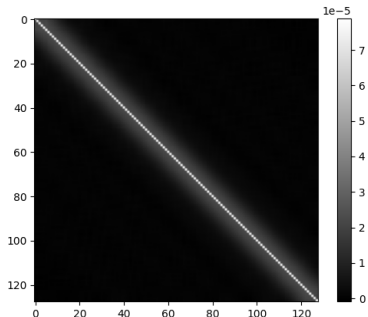
But let's do PCA instead

- Let's consider this process / Considerons cette processus

$$x_t = x_{t-1} + 0.825x_{t-2} + 0.65x_{t-3} + 0.475x_{t-4} + 0.3x_{t-5} + n$$

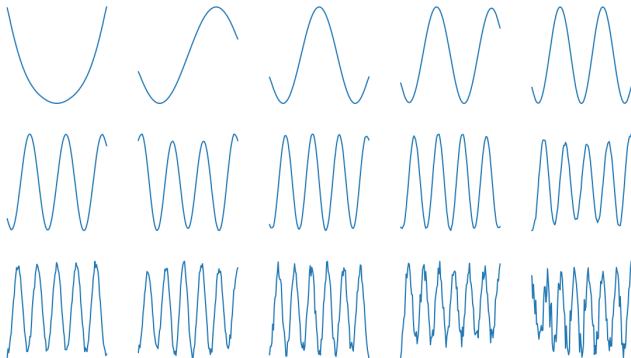
- ▶ $n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 0.008^2)$

- The covariance matrix



- ▶ A circulant matrix! / Une matrice circulante!

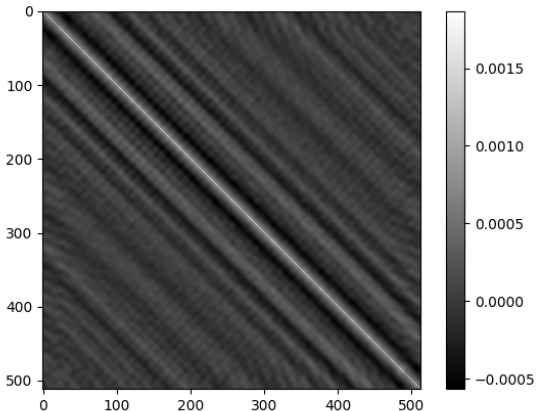
Sinusoids!



Sinusoids (DCT bases are eigenvectors of circulant matrices) .. / Les bases sinusoids sont les vecteurs propres des matrices circulants.

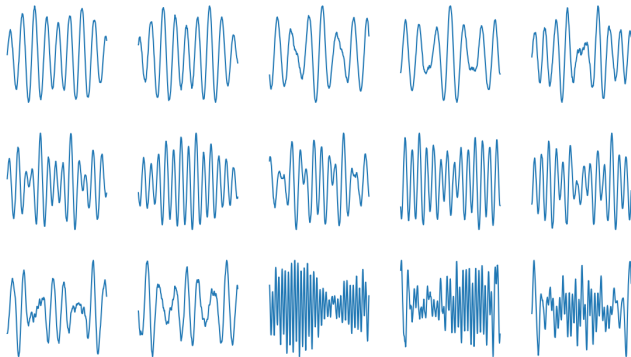
Same thing on speech

- And here's the covariance matrix for a 14sec long speech signal.
 - ▶ Matrice de covariance pour un parole de 14secondes.



- Seems like we have high covariance in the neighborhood, then some periodicity.
 - ▶ Haut covariance locale, et un peu de périodicité.

Sinusoids!



Listen

So, it seems sinusoidal bases are kinda statistically optimal for local covariance as well.. / Les bases sinusoids sont optimale si on a une covariance locale!.

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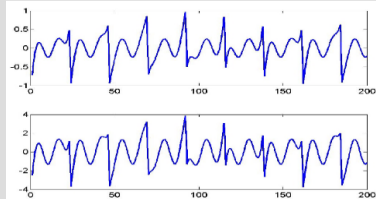
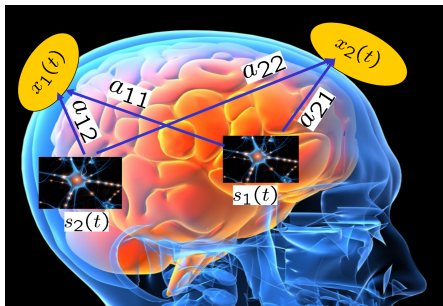
- ICA estimates a square mixing matrix $B \in \mathbb{R}^{K \times K}$, such that,
 - ▶ ICA estime un matrice carré B , telle que,

$$x = Bw + n$$

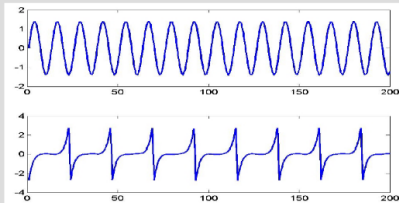
the elements of $w \in \mathbb{R}^K$ are statistically independent. / les éléments du vecteur w sont statistiquement indépendent.

- We want to achieve $p(w) = p(w_1)p(w_2) \dots p(w_K)$.
 - ▶ On veut que le probabilité joint $p(s)$ se factorise.

ICA Application



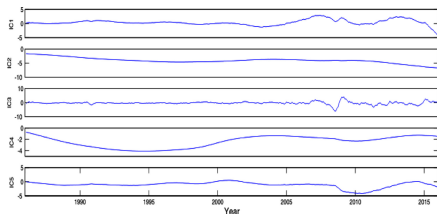
Observations (Mixtures)



ICA estimated signals

[images taken from https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~bapoczcos/other_presentations/ICA_26_10_2009.pdf]

Source Separation for Financial Data



- In the paper **Factor analysis of financial time series using EEMD-ICA based approach** the authors decompose oil prices using an ICA variant.
- They claim:
 - ▶ IC1 is correlated to USD.
 - ▶ IC2 is correlated to oil supply and demand.
 - ▶ IC3 is correlated to political and extreme events.
 - ▶ IC4 reflects cyclical nature of oil prices.
 - ▶ IC5 is correlated with stock, gold markets.

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- More: FastICA, Neural Nets, Negentropy (Measure of non-gaussianity), More...

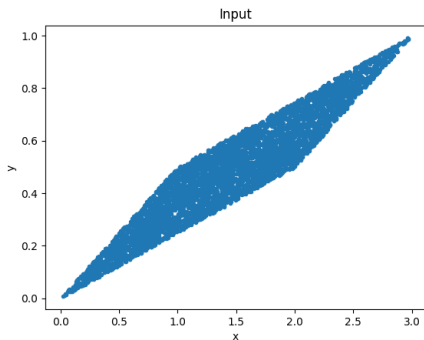
PCA vs ICA

- Let's consider this toy example

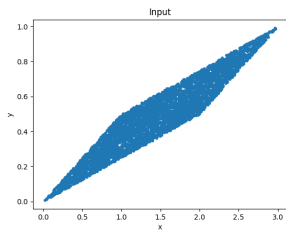
$$r_1, r_2 \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$$

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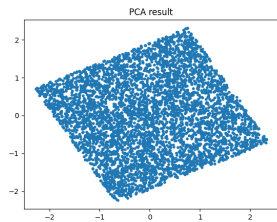
$$y = 2r_1 + r_2$$



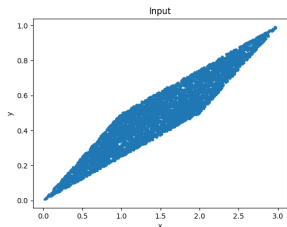
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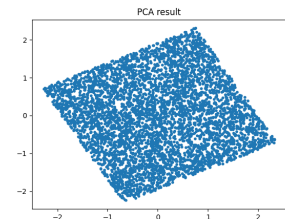
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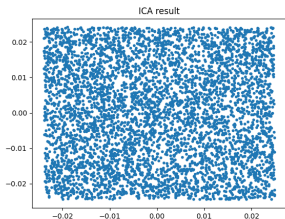
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ICA



PCA's uncorrelatedness criterion is not enough in this case / La décorrelation de PCA n'est pas suffisante ici!

PCA on steroids

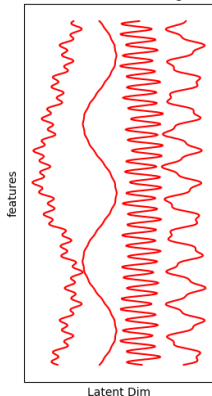
- We were doing the decomposition / On faisait la décomposition,

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- We can apply ICA to obtain / On peut appliquer ICA pour obtenir

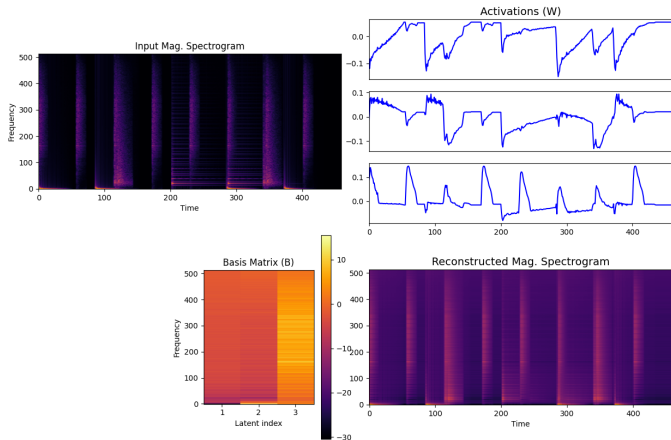
$$X = BB_1W_1 = \tilde{B}W_1$$

Bases (B) after ICA mixing matrix



- Closer to sinusoids!

Embedding spectra with ICA



Bit better but we can do better..

ICA Summary

- PCA assumes that everything is Gaussian. (For Gaussian data it does return independent dimensions)
 - ▶ PCA suppose que le monde est Gaussienne.
- iCA does not assume Gaussian, and try to achieve independence.
 - ▶ ICA essaie d'obtenir l'indépendance.
- Most ICA estimators are approximate
 - ▶ La majorité des estimateurs ICA sont approximatives.
- We don't have an important ordering of components, so no dim. reduction
 - ▶ On n'a pas un ordering des composant, donc on ne peut faire une réduction de dimensions.
 - ▶ We can however combine it PCA to improve it. / On peut le combiner avec PCA pour l'améliorer.

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- If we have negative values in our estimates, they cancel out, harm interpretability. / Si on a des valeurs négatives dans les parameters, ça nuit l'interprétabilité.

But how?

- We can alternate the least squares solutions and also project such,
 - ▶ On peut juste alterner entre les solutions least-squares avec une addition des projections,

Algorithm 2 Alternating Least Squares for NMF

1: **procedure** ALTERNATING LEAST SQUARES FOR NMF

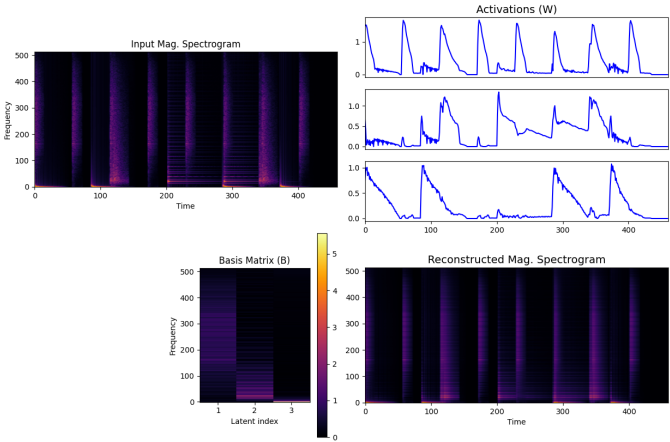
Input: Input Data Matrix X . Threshold value ϵ .

Output: Estimated Basis and Activation Matrices \widehat{B} , \widehat{W} .

- 2: Initialize $\widehat{B} \geq 0$, $\widehat{W} \geq 0$.
- 3: **while** $\|X - \widehat{B}\widehat{W}\| \geq \epsilon$ **do**
- 4: $\widehat{W} = \widehat{B}^\dagger X$; $\widehat{W} = \max(0, \widehat{W})$
- 5: $\widehat{B} = X\widehat{W}^\dagger$; $\widehat{B} = \max(0, \widehat{B})$
- 6: **end while**
- 7: **end procedure**
-

- There are also other algos. (e.g. Multiplicative Updates, probabilistic versions..)
 - ▶ Y a des autres algos. aussi.

NMF to rescue



PCA, NMF or ICA?

- It depends. / Ça depends.
- PCA is great for dim. reduction / PCA est très utile pour réduire la dimensionnalité.
- ICA gives more sparse/independent embeddings / ICA donne des embeddings plus parsimonieux.
- NMF gives interpretable results, but only for non-negative / NMF donne des résultats interprétables, mais juste pour des données non-negatives.

Recap

- We have introduced a framework that handles fixed basis regression, and learnable-basis regression.
 - ▶ On a introduit un framework qui peut gérer la regression avec des bases fixés, et regression avec des bases apprises.
- We have talked about very important latent variable methods such as PCA, ICA, NMF.
 - ▶ On a parlé des méthodes importants de variables latents comme PCA, ICA et NMF.

Suggested Reading

- Chapters 4, 12, Bishop
- The NMF Nature paper
<https://www.nature.com/articles/44565/>
- Eigenfaces <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eigenface>

Next Week

- What if we want to learn non-linear embeddings? Manifold methods!
 - ▶ Qu'est-ce qu'on fait si on veut apprendre des embeddings non-linéaires? Méthodes de manifolds!
- And Classification!