

machine learning in climate science

AN OVERVIEW OF REDUCED REPRESENTATIONS (AKA DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION TECHNIQUES)

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What & Why

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- What are reduced representations (RR)?
- Why do we need RR?
- Existing methods

Others

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- Graph Clustering
- VAE
- SOM
- NMF

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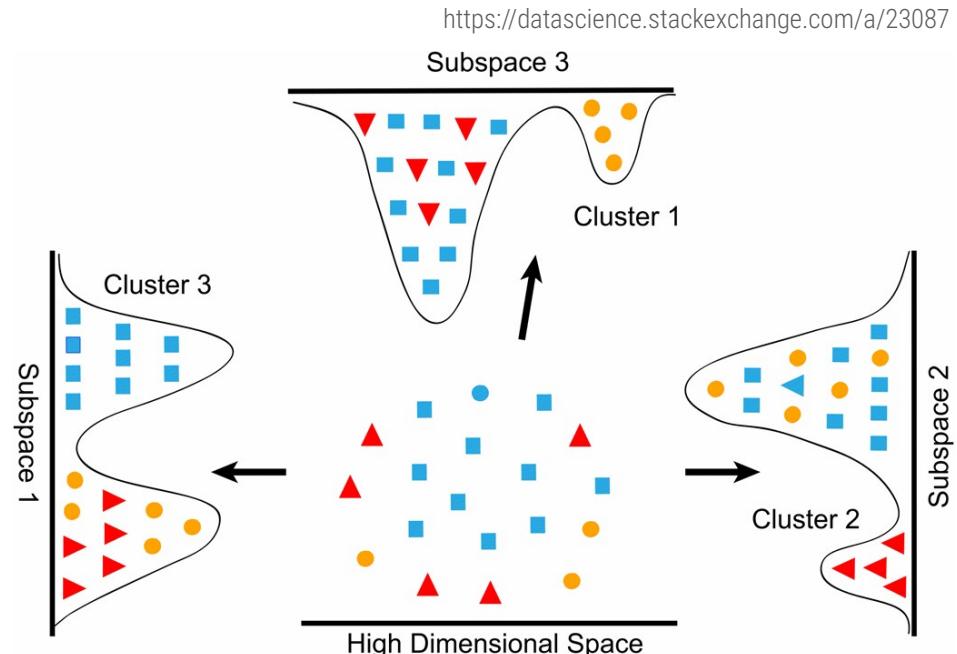
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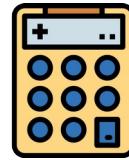
Reduced representations

- Represent a smaller set of 'essential' features 'hidden' in high-dim data
- Parametric or non-parametric
- Linear (PCA) or nonlinear (kPCA)
- Convex (LLE) or non-convex (VAE)
- Sparse (graphs) or non-sparse (NMF)



Reduced representations are useful as

- They reduce computational complexity
- They reduce informational complexity
→ increase interpretability
- They help in visualising and understanding essential features
- They help remove ‘noise’ or unnecessary components of data
- They help in predictions



A few important methods –

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- Local Linear Embedding (LLE)
- Laplacian Eigenmap (LEM)
- Metric Multidimensional Scaling (MDS)
- Isomap
- Kernel PCA
- Graph clustering
- Self-organising Map (SOM)
- Variational Autoencoder (VAE)
- Non-negative Matrix Factorisation (NMF)
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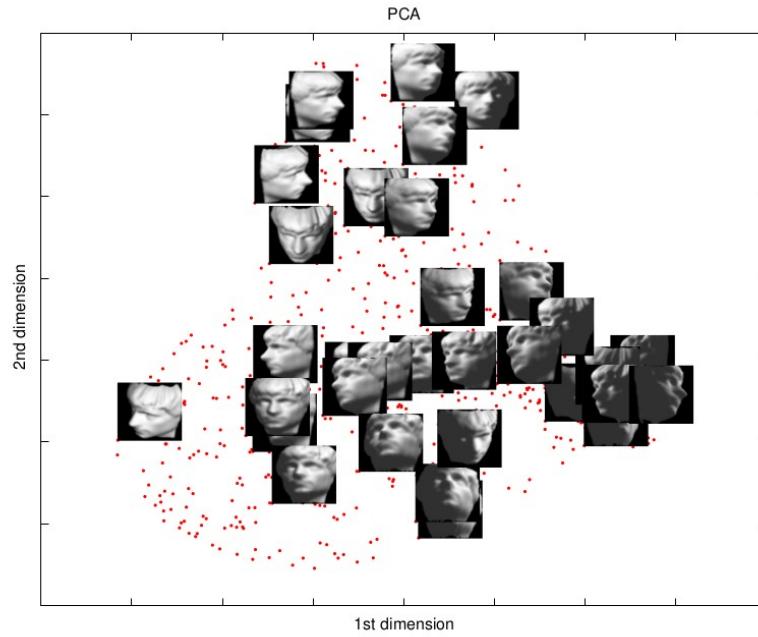
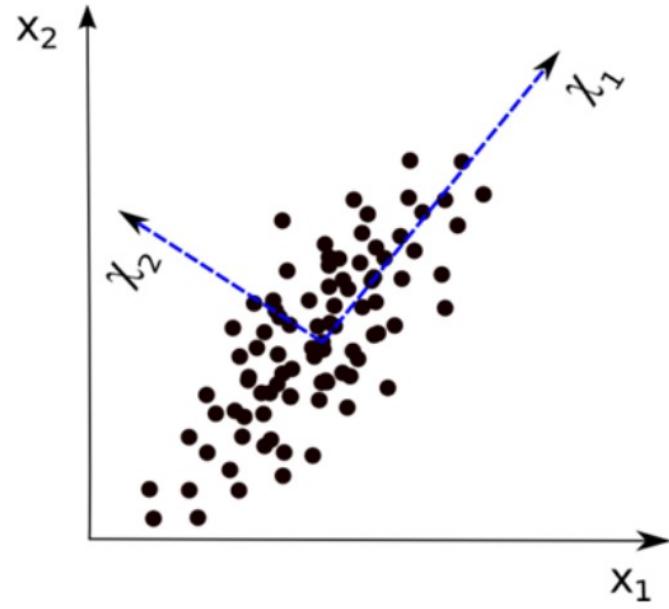
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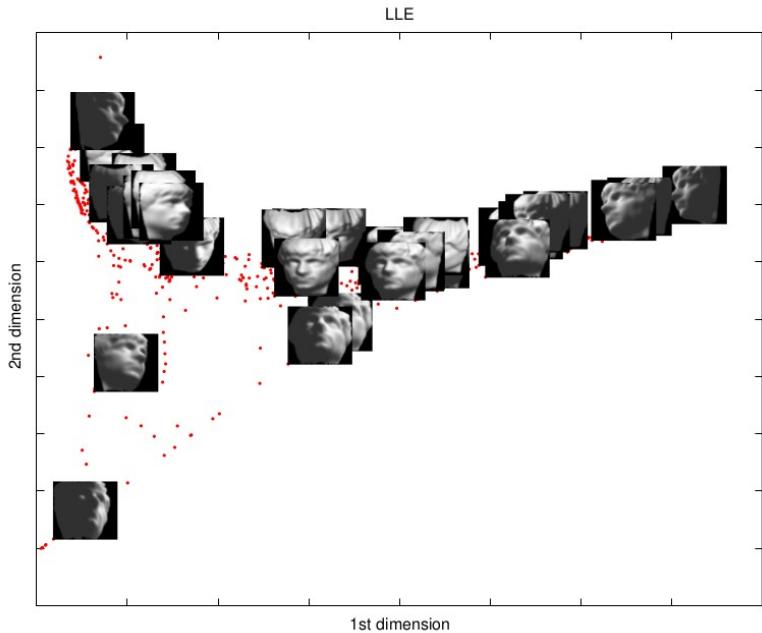
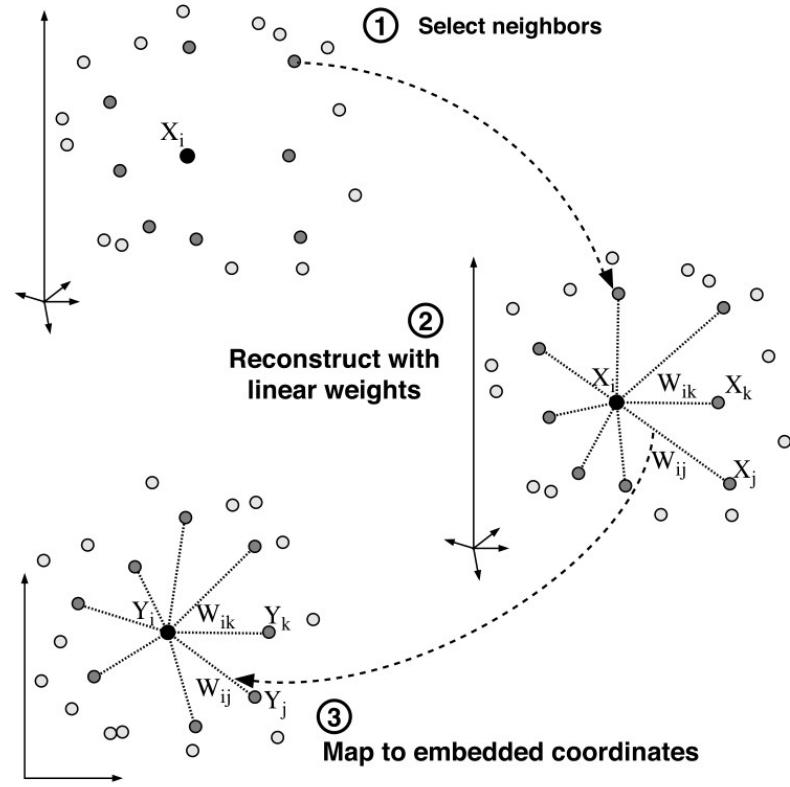
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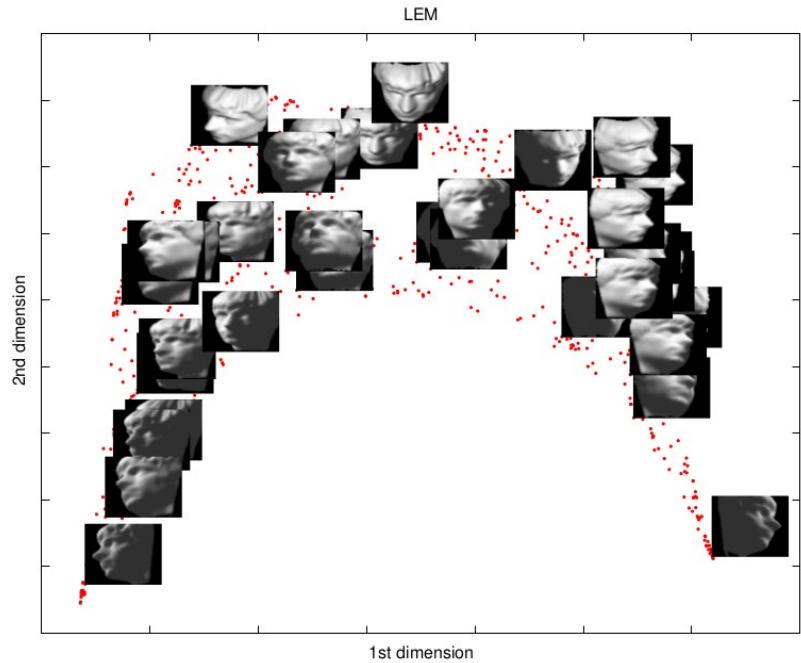
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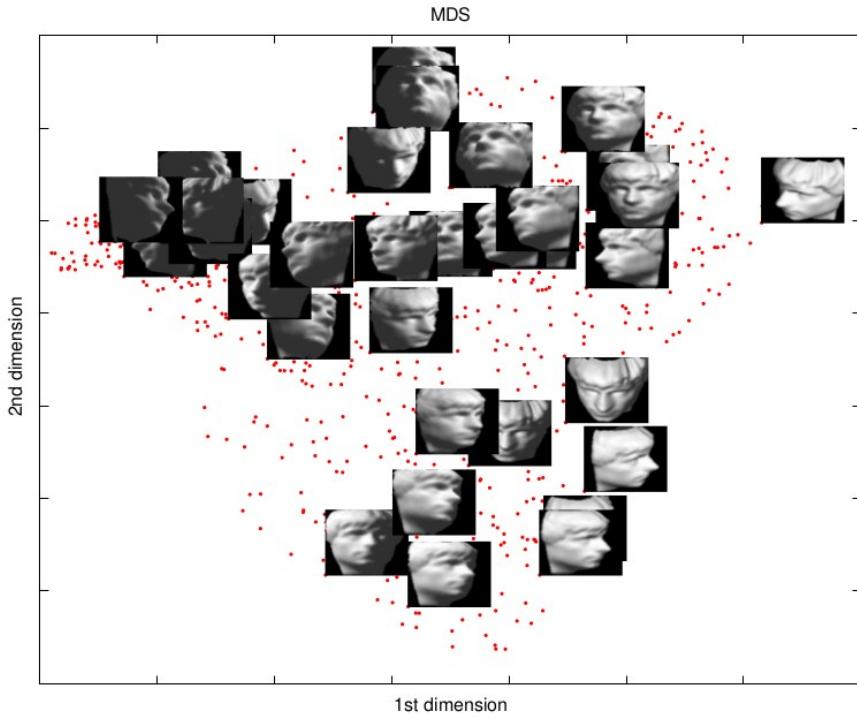
$$\min_Y \sum_{i=1}^t \sum_{j=1}^t (\mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{y}_j)^2 W_{ij}$$



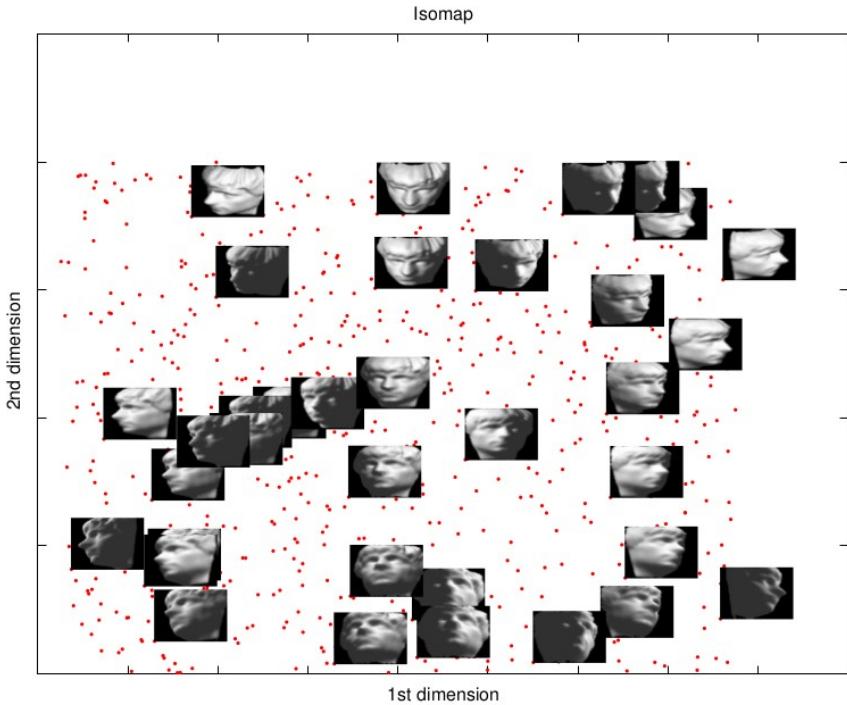
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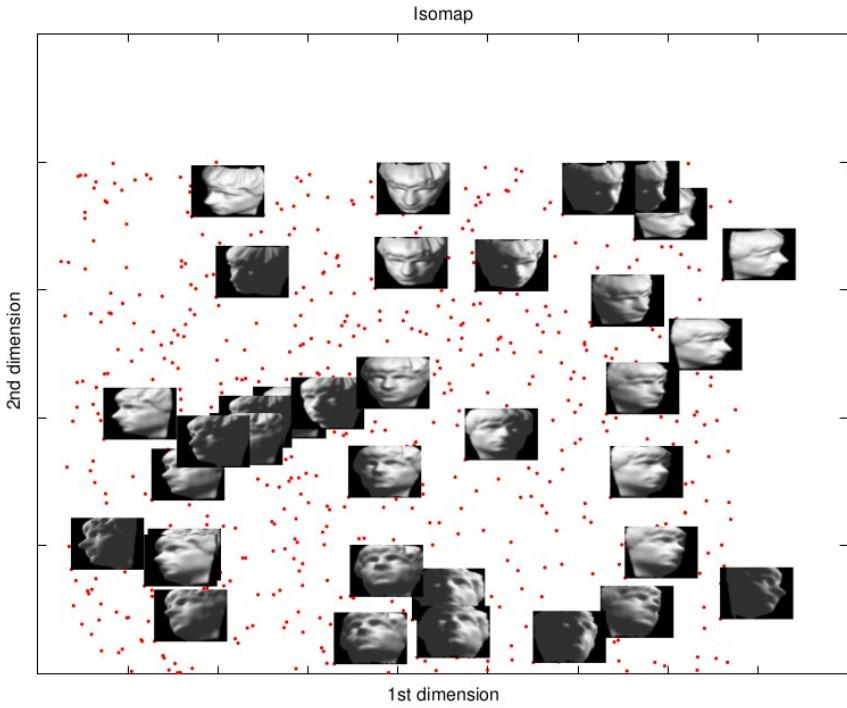
- Estimate pairwise distances from high-minsional data (e.g. for time series, it can be correlation-based distance)
- Find low-dimensional points (after choosing a lower dimension 'd') that preserve the pairwise distances



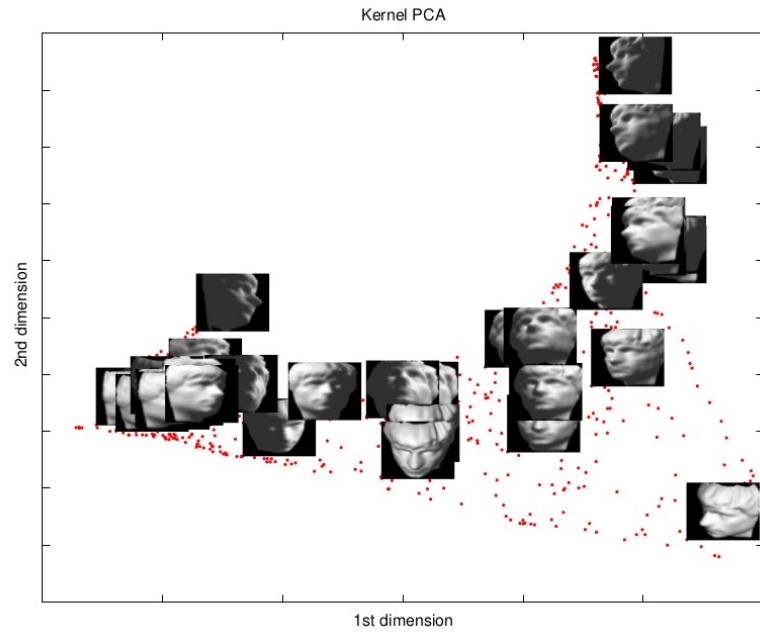
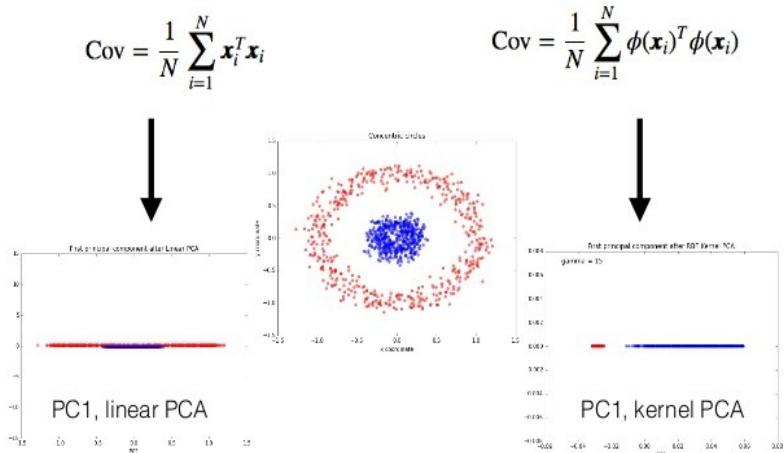
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$$K_{LLE} = \lambda_{max}I - L$$

$$L = (I - W)^T(I - W)$$

$$K_{MDS} = -\frac{1}{2}(I - ee^T)D(I - ee^T)$$

e is a column vector of all ones
distance matrix D

$$K_{LEM} = L^\dagger$$

$$L = R - W$$

R is diagonal, and $R_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^t W_{ij}$

$$K_{Isomap} = -\frac{1}{2}(I - ee^T)D^{(\mathcal{G})}(I - ee^T)$$

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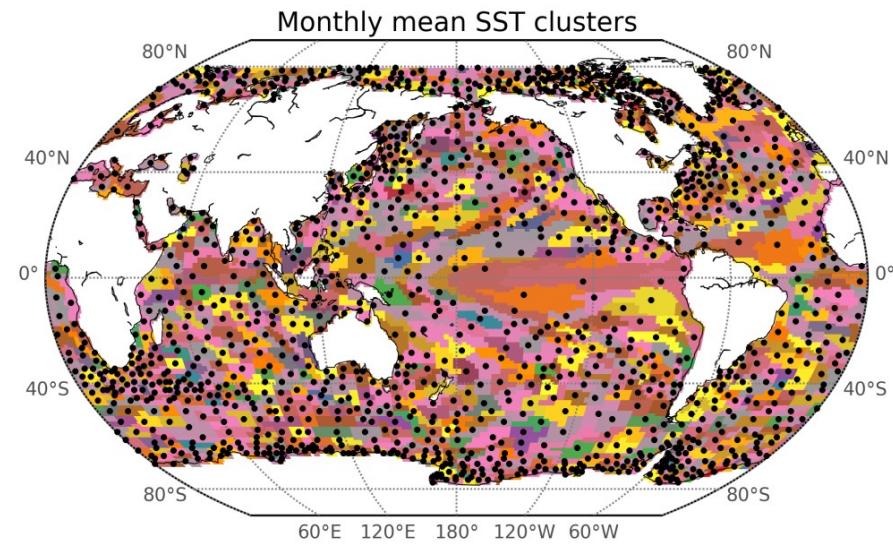
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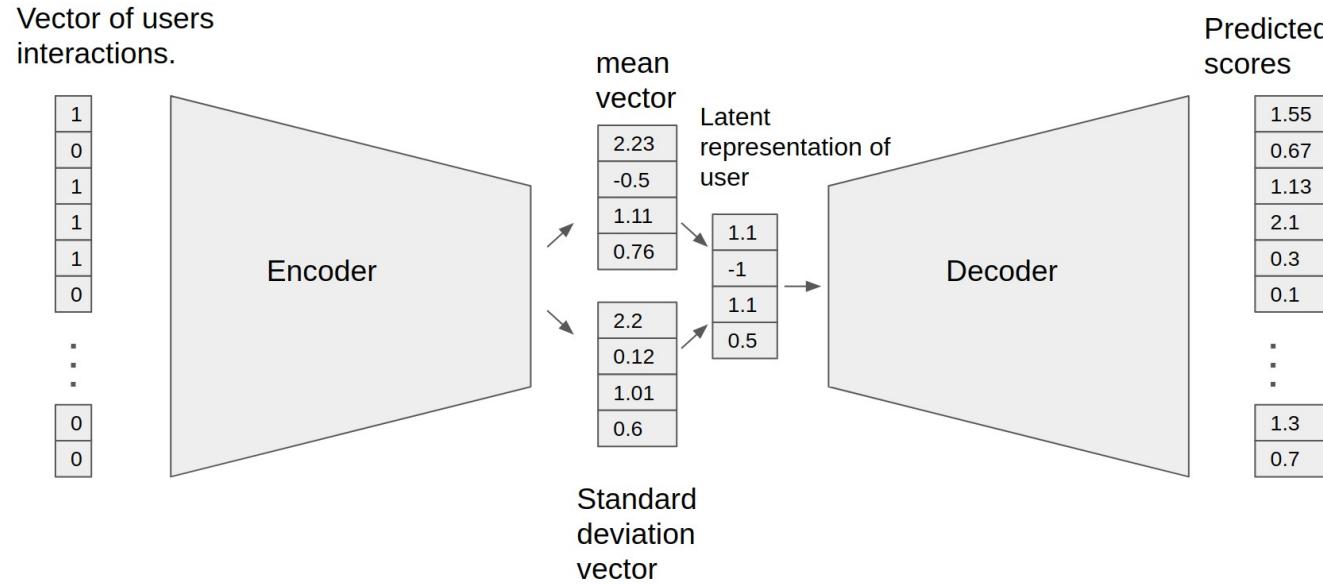
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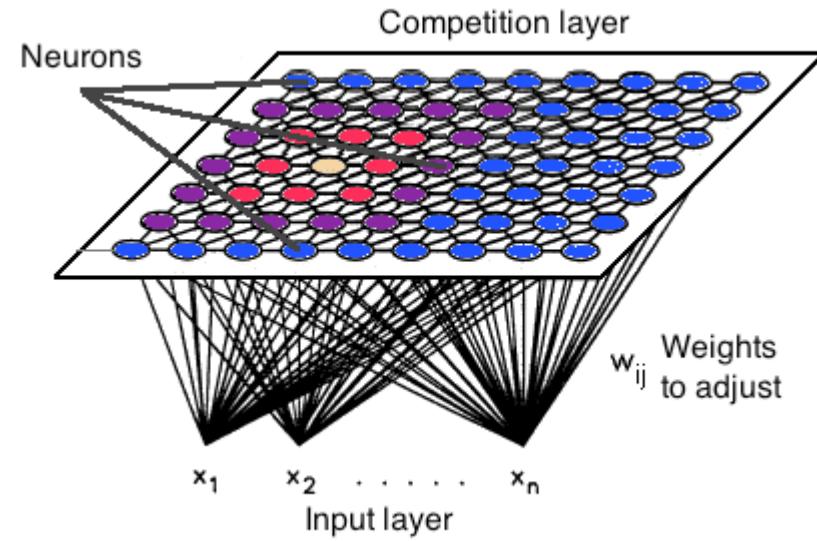
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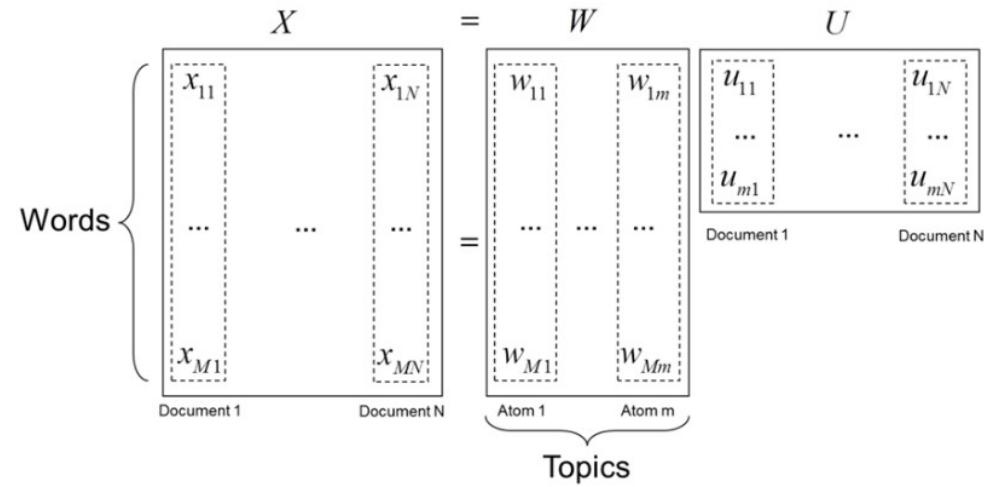
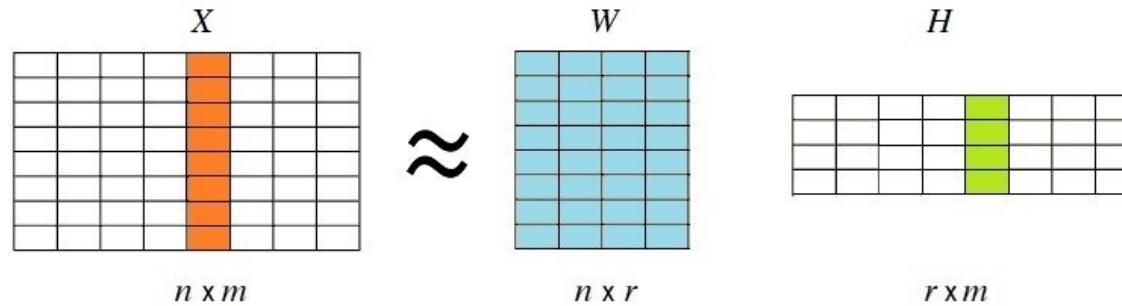
- Construct a correlation based graph from time series
- Use a clustering algorithm or perform community detection
- K-means clustering, hierarchical clustering
- Stochastic block model, modularity optimization







3.Others → Self Organized Maps



3.Others → Non-negative Matrix Factorisation