

# Deep Learning – Autoencoder Models

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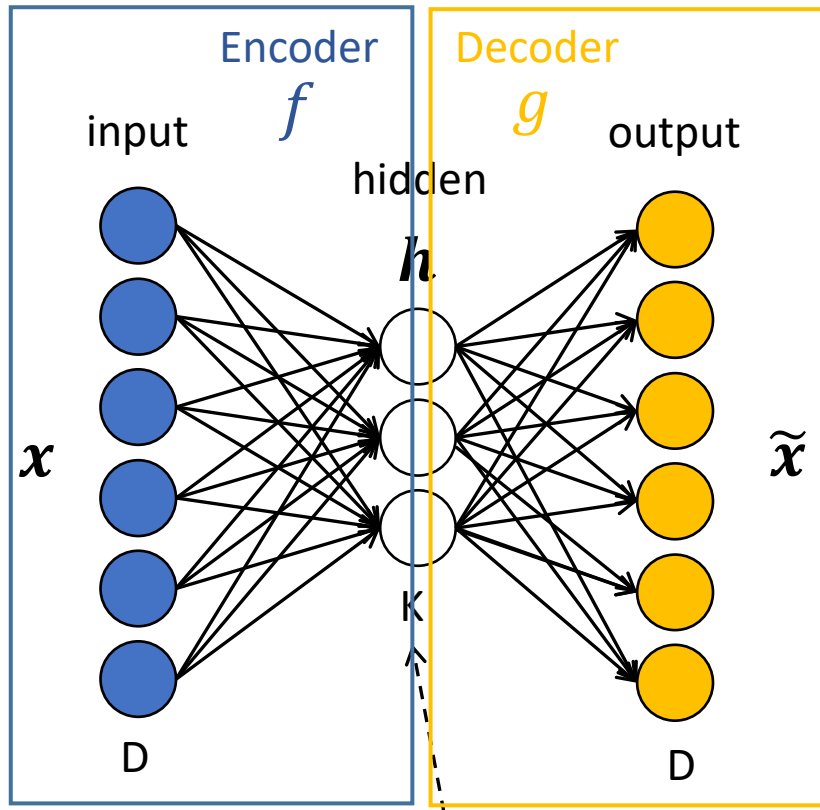


# Lecture Outline

## Autoencoders a.k.a. The first and the latest deep learning model

- Autoencoders and dimensionality reduction
- Deep **neural** autoencoders
  - Sparse
  - Denoising
  - Contractive
- Deep **generative-based** autoencoders
  - Deep Belief Networks
  - Deep Boltzmann Machines
- Application Examples

# Basic Autoencoder (AE)

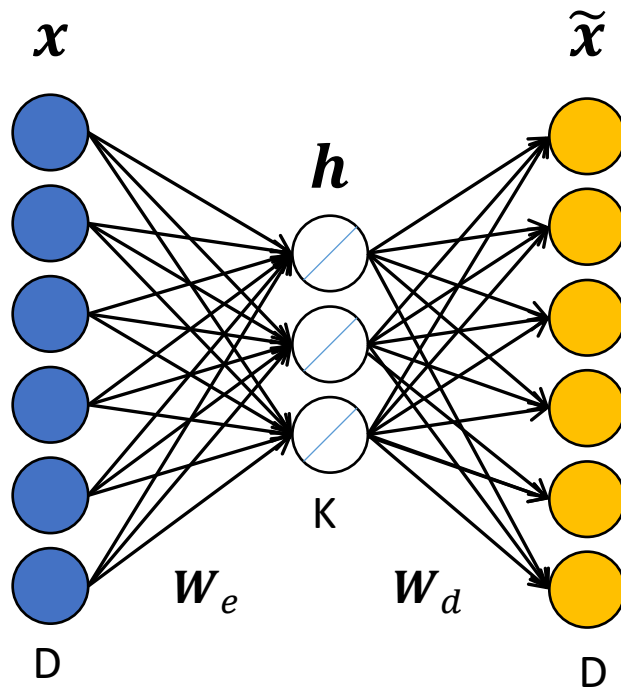


Latent space  
projection  
(again)

- Train a model to **reconstruct the input**
- Passing through some form of **information bottleneck**
  - $K \ll D$ , or?
  - $h$  sparsely active
- Train by loss minimization

$$L(x, \tilde{x}) = L(x, g(f(x)))$$

# A Very Well Known Autoencoder



What if we take  $f$  and  $g$  linear and  $K \ll D$ ?

Encoding-Decoding

$$h = f(x) = W_e x$$

$$\tilde{x} = g(h) = W_d W_e x$$

Tied weights (often, not always)

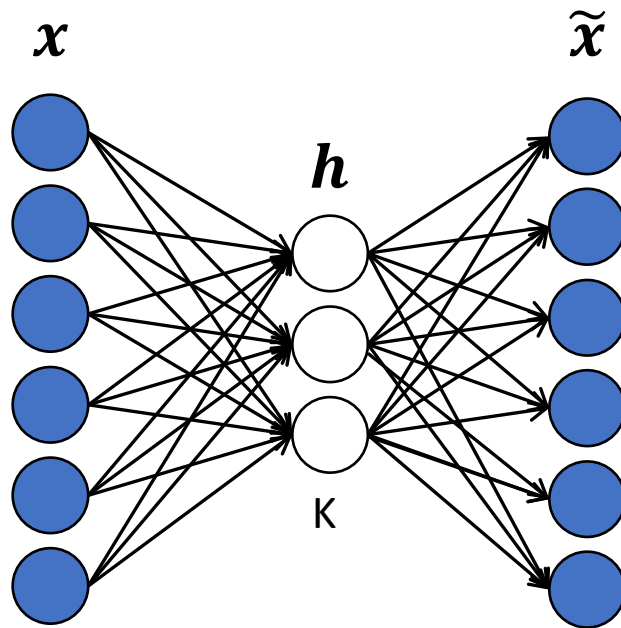
$$W_d = W_e^T = W^T$$

Euclidean Loss

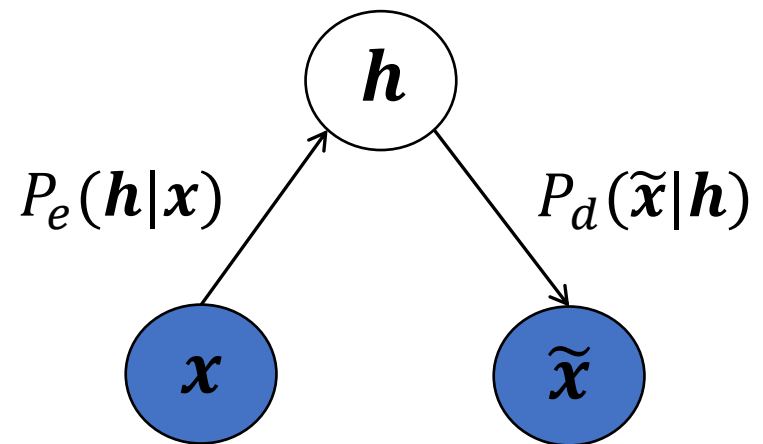
$$L(x, \tilde{x}) = \|x - W^T W x\|_2^2$$

Learns the same subspace  
of PCA

# A Probabilistic View



## Stochastic Autoencoder



- A **unifying view** of neural and generative AE
- Paves the way to **Variational Autoencoders**

# Neural Autoencoders

Generally, we would like to train nonlinear AEs, with possibly  $K > D$ , that do not learn trivial identity

- Regularized autoencoders
  - Sparse AE
  - Denoising AE
  - Contractive AE
- Autoencoders with dropout layers

# Sparse Autoencoder

Add a term to the cost function to penalize  $\mathbf{h}$   
(want the number of active units to be small)

$$J_{SAE}(\theta) = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{S}} (L(\mathbf{x}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{h}))$$

Typically

$$\Omega(\mathbf{h}) = \Omega(f(\mathbf{x})) = \sum_j |h_j(\mathbf{x})|$$

# Probabilistic Interpretation (Oh No, Again!)

(From ML Course) Training with regularization is MAP inference

$$\max \log P(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{x}) = \max (\log P(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{h}) + \log P(\mathbf{h}))$$

Likelihood



Prior



$$P(\mathbf{h}) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda}{2} \|\mathbf{h}\|_1\right) \longrightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{h}) = \lambda \|\mathbf{h}\|_1$$

Laplace



# Denoising Autoencoder (DAE)

Train the AE to minimize the function

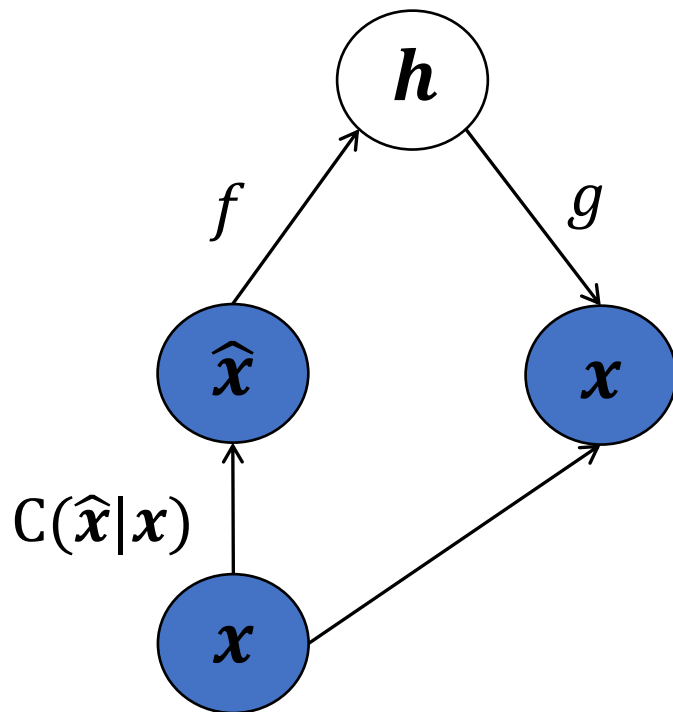
$$L(\mathbf{x}, g(f(\hat{\mathbf{x}})))$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is a version of original input  $\mathbf{x}$   
corrupted by some noise process  $C(\hat{\mathbf{x}}|\mathbf{x})$

Key Intuition - Learned representations  
should be robust to partial destruction of the  
input

# Another Interpretation...

...yes, exactly the one you are thinking of



Learns the **denoising distribution**

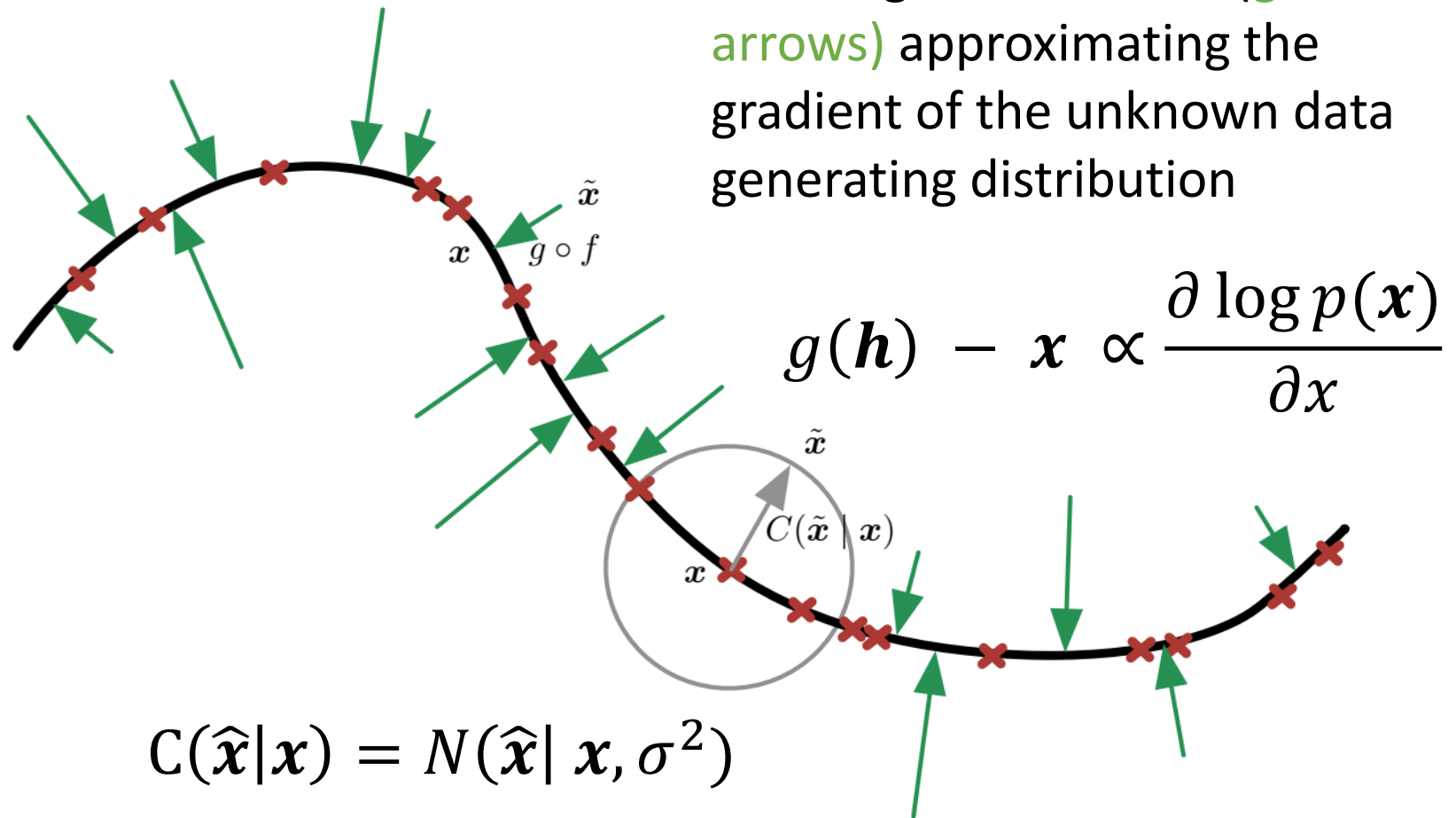
$$P(\mathbf{x}|\tilde{\mathbf{x}})$$

By minimizing

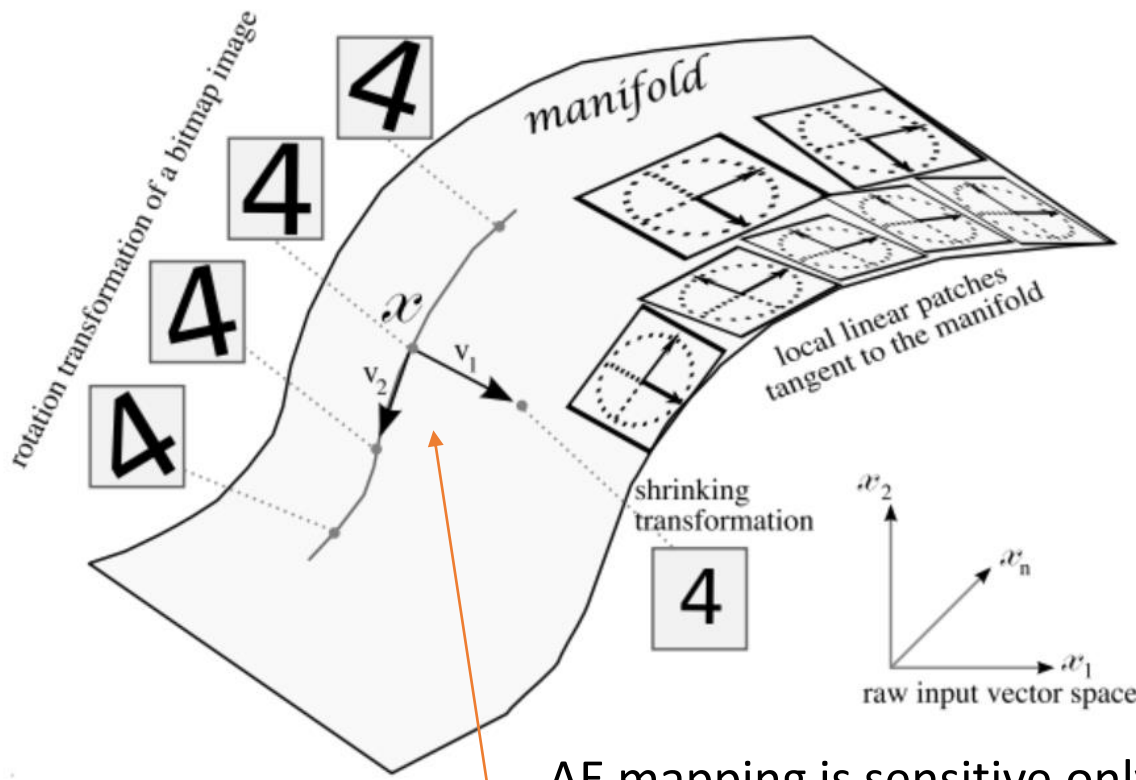
$$-\log P_d(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{h} = f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}))$$

# DAE as Manifold Learning

Learning a vector field (**green arrows**) approximating the gradient of the unknown data generating distribution



# The Manifold Assumption



Assume data lies on a lower dimensional **non-linear manifold** since variables in data are typically dependent

Regularized AE can afford to represent **only variations that are needed to reconstruct training examples**

AE mapping is sensitive only to **changes in manifold direction**

# Contractive Autoencoder

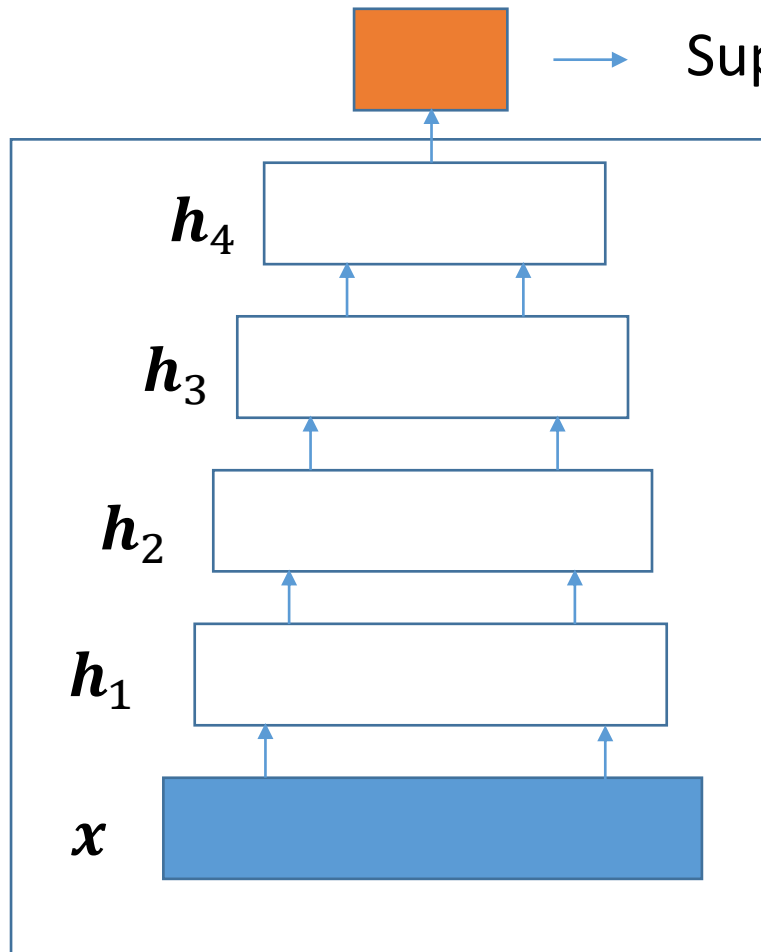
Penalize **encoding function** for input sensitivity

$$J_{CAE}(\theta) = \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in S} (L(\mathbf{x}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{h}))$$

$$\Omega(\mathbf{h}) = \Omega(f(\mathbf{x})) = \left\| \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} \right\|_F^2$$

You can as well **penalize on higher order derivatives**

# Deep Autoencoder



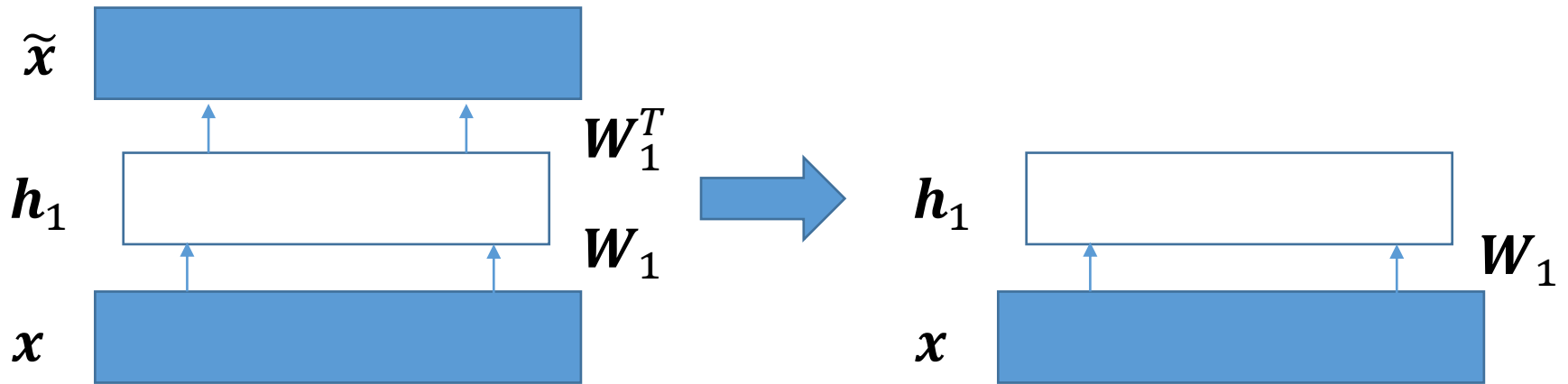
Supervised learning

- Unsupervised training
- Hierarchical autoencoder
- Extracts a **representation of inputs** that facilitates
  - Data **visualization**, exploration, indexing,...
  - Realization of a **supervised** task

# Unsupervised Layerwise Pretraining

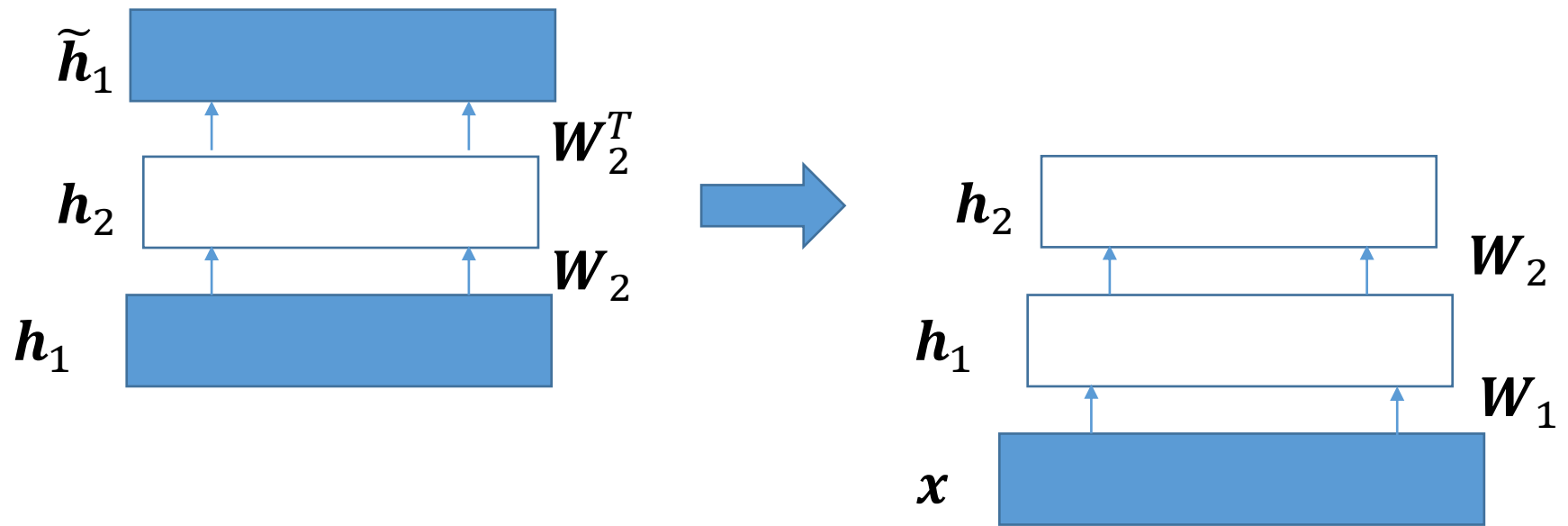
Incremental unsupervised construction of the Deep AE

Any form of AE, e.g.  
those shown in previous  
slides



# Unsupervised Layerwise Pretraining

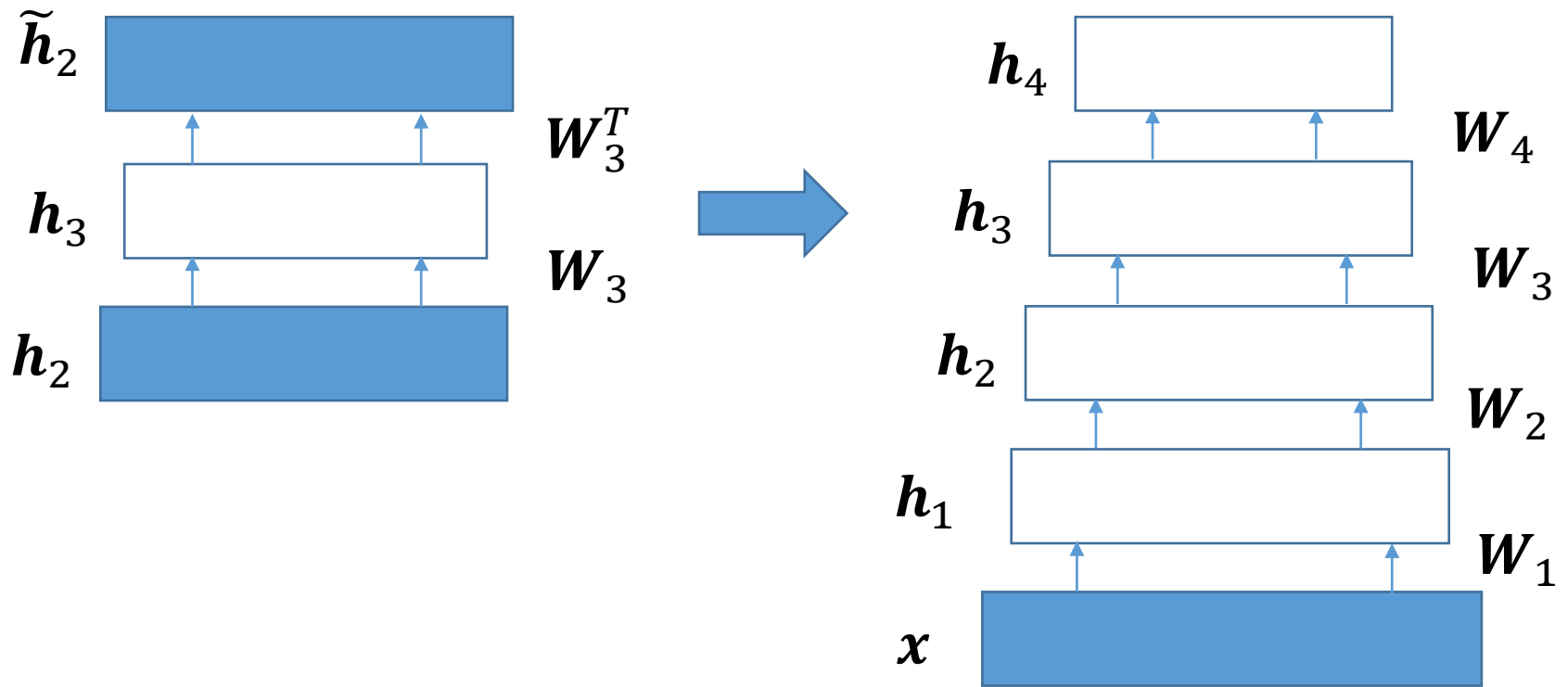
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# Unsupervised Layerwise Pretraining

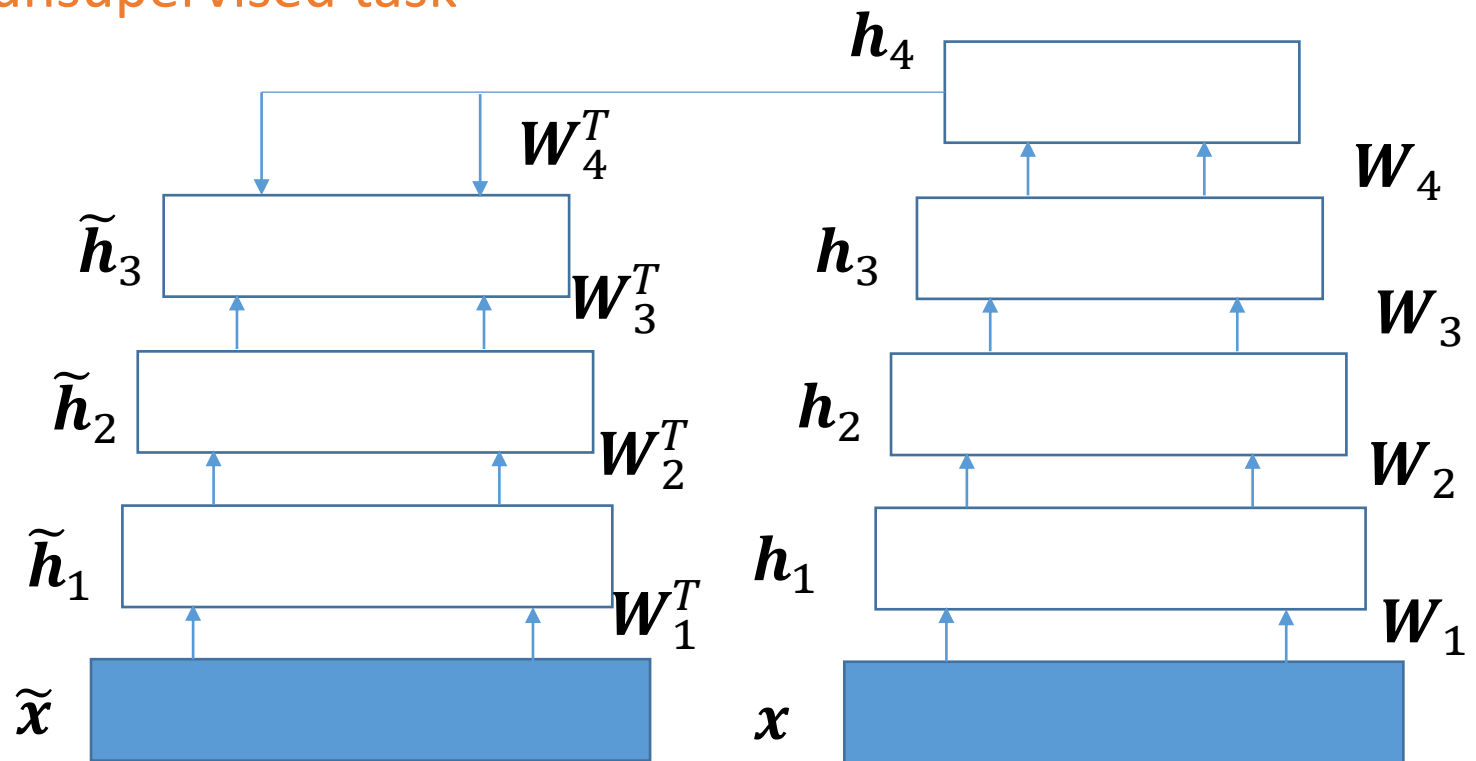
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# Optional Fine Tuning

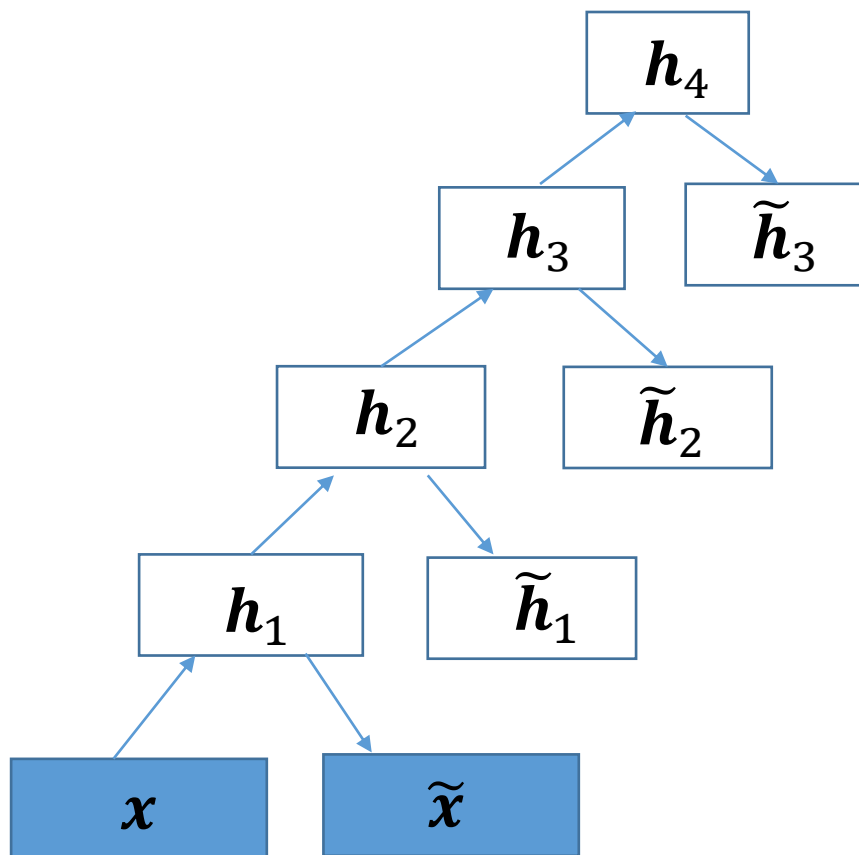
Fine tune the whole autoencoder to optimize input reconstruction

You can use backpropagation, but it remains an unsupervised task



# Rearranging the Graphics

Does it look like something familiar?

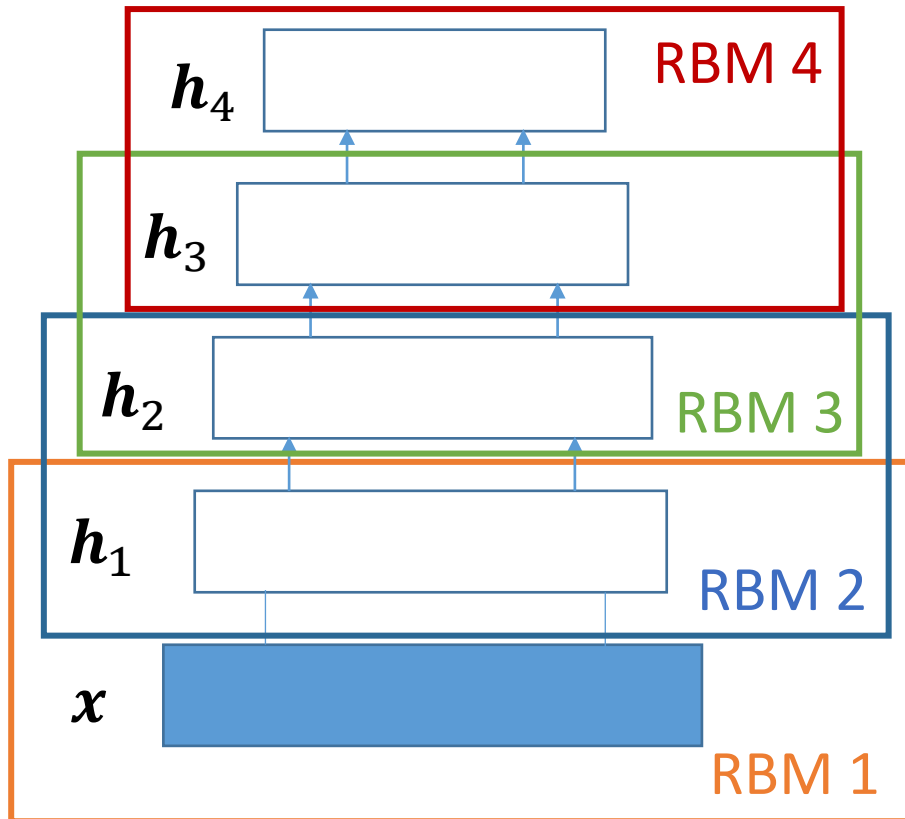


A layered **Restricted Boltzmann Machine**

Can use RBM to perform **layerwise pretraining** and learn the matrices  $W_i$

# Deep Belief Network (DBN)

A stack of pairwise RBM



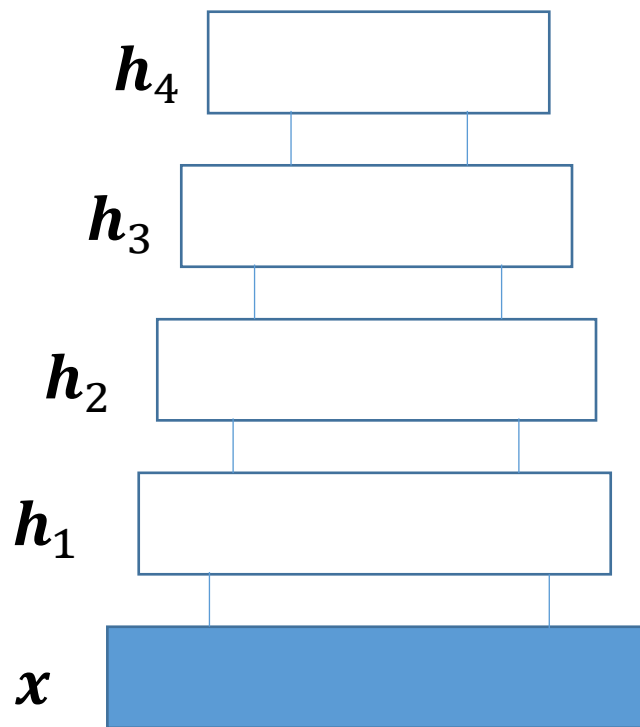
## IMPORTANT NOTE

A DBM is a deep autoencoder but it is NOT a deep RBM

It is (mostly) directed!

# Deep Boltzmann Machine (DBM)

How do we get this?



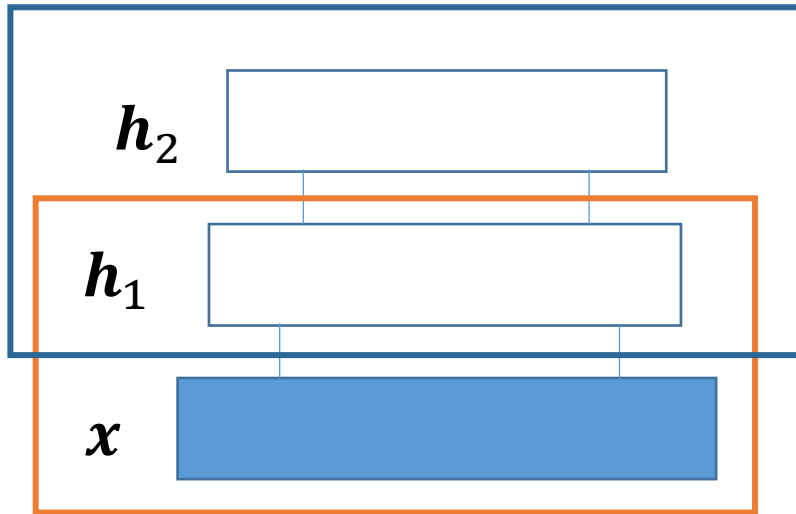
Training requires some attention because of the **recurrent interactions from higher layers to the bottom**

$$P(h_j^1 | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}^2) = \sigma \left( \sum_i W_{ij}^1 x_i + \sum_m W_{jm}^2 h_m^2 \right)$$

$$P(x_i | \mathbf{h}^1) = \sigma \left( \sum_j W_{ij}^1 h_j^1 \right)$$

# Pretraining DBM

How do we get this?



1) (Pre)training the first layer entails fitting this model

2) (Pre)training the second layer **changes  $h^1$  prior** by

$$P(h^1 | W^2) = \sum_{h^2} P(h^1, h^2 | W^2)$$

When putting things together, we **need to average** between the two

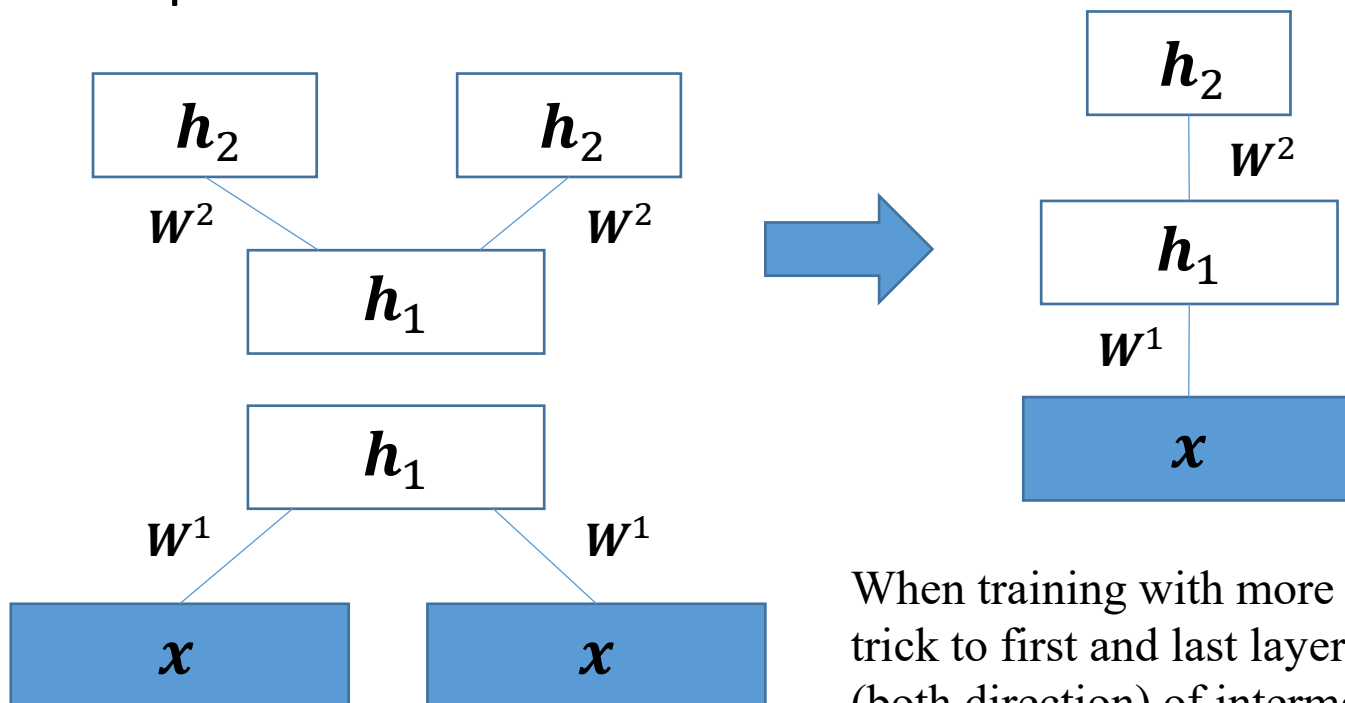
$$P(h^1 | W^1) = \sum_x P(h^1, x | W^1)$$

$$P(x | \theta) = \sum_{h^1} P(h^1 | W^1) P(x | h^1, W^1)$$

# Pretraining DBM - Trick

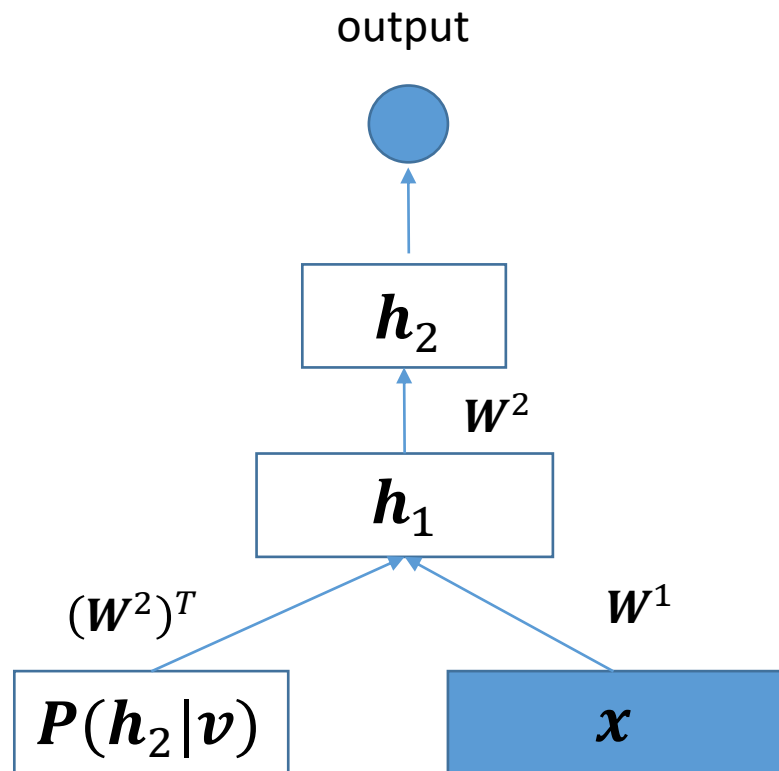
Averaging the two models of  $h^1$  can be **approximated by taking half contribution** from  $W^1$  and half from  $W^2$

- Using full  $W^1$  and  $W^2$  would **double count  $x$**  contribution as  $h^2$  depends on  $x$



When training with more than two RBMs apply trick to first and last layers and halve weights (both direction) of intermediate RBM

# DBM – Discriminative Fine Tuning



The pretrained DBM matrices can be used to **initialize a deep autoencoder**

- Add input from  $h^2$  to the first hidden layer
- Add output layer
- **Fine tuning** of the RBM matrices by backpropagation



# Software - Deep Neural Autoencoders

- All deep learning frameworks offer facilities to build (deep) AEs
- Check out classic Theano-based tutorials for [denoising autoencoders](#) and their [stacked version](#)
- A variety of deep AE in [Keras](#) and their counterpart in [Torch](#) (plus a selection in [Pytorch](#))
- Stacked autoencoders built with [official Matlab](#) toolbox functions

# Matlab - Deep Generative Models

- [Matlab code](#) for the DBN paper with a demo on MNIST data
- [Matlab code](#) for Deep Boltzmann Machines with a demo on MNIST data
- [Deepmat](#) – Matlab library for deep generative models
- [DeeBNet](#) – Matlab/Octave toolbox for deep generative models with GPU support

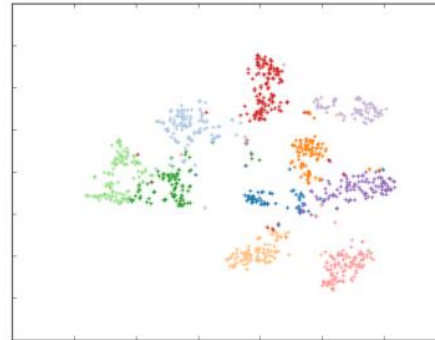
# Python - Deep Generative Models

- DBN and DBM implementations exist for **all major deep learning libraries**
- [Deep Boltzmann machine implementation](#) (Tensorflow-based) with image processing application, pre-trained networks and notebooks
- [Deepnet](#) – A Toronto based implementation of deep autoencoders (neural and generative)
- Check out classic Theano-based tutorials for [deep belief networks](#) and [RBM](#)

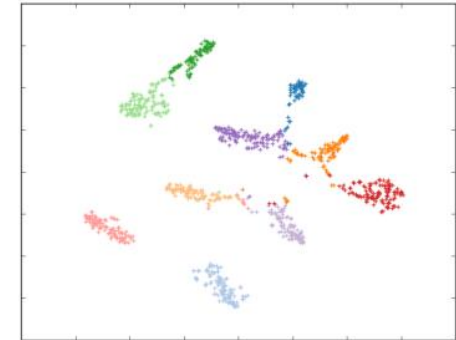
# AE Applications - Visualization



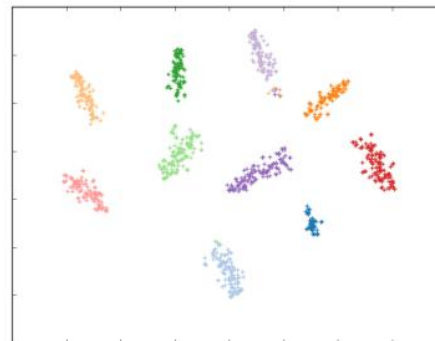
Visualizing complex  
data in learned  
latent space



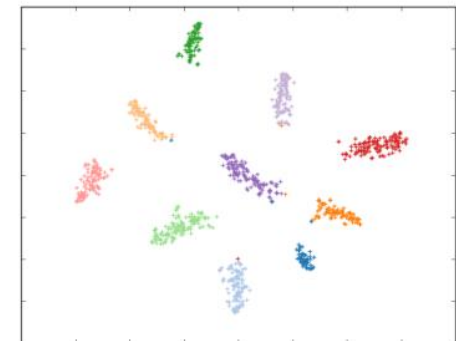
(a) Epoch 0



(b) Epoch 3



(d) Epoch 9



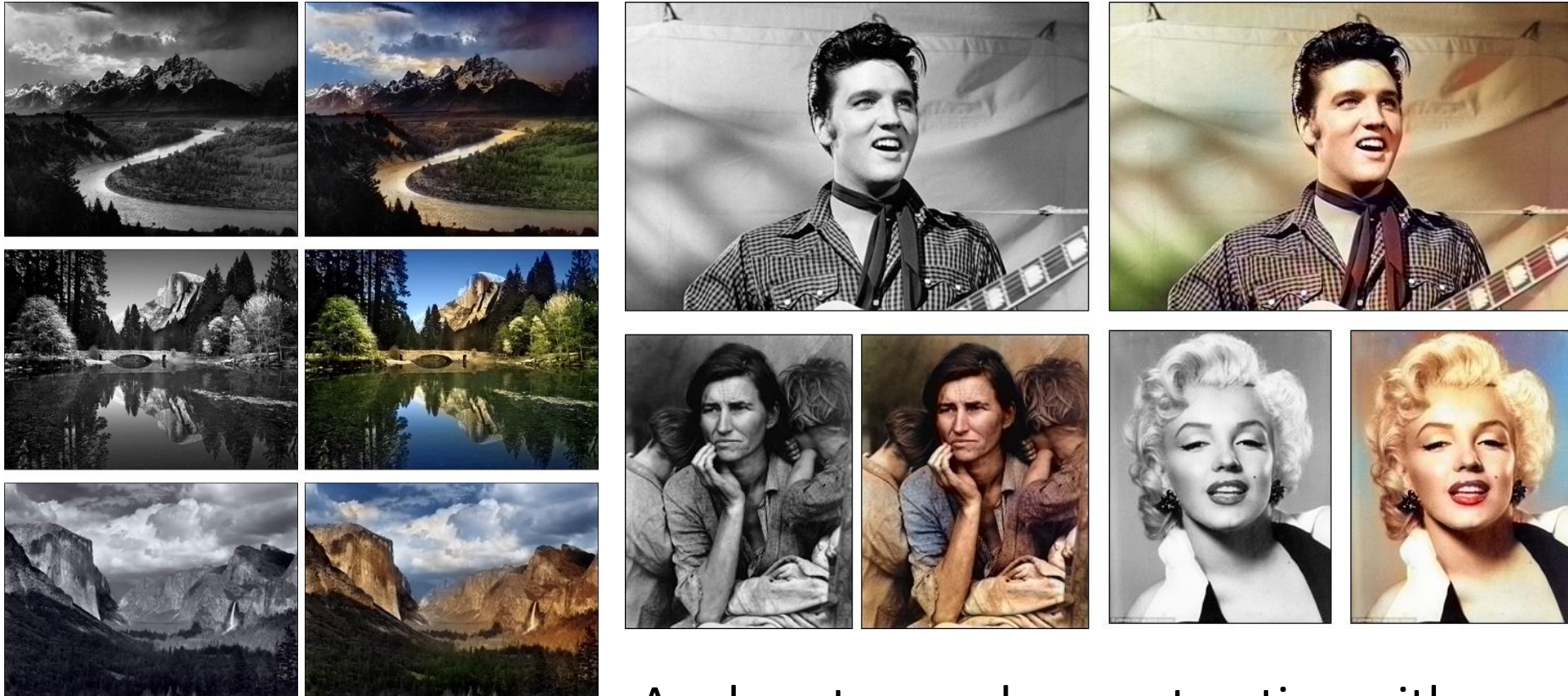
(e) Epoch 12

# Visualizing Sound

- laughter
- rustle
- guitar
- cat
- helicopter
- water\_tap
- child
- speech



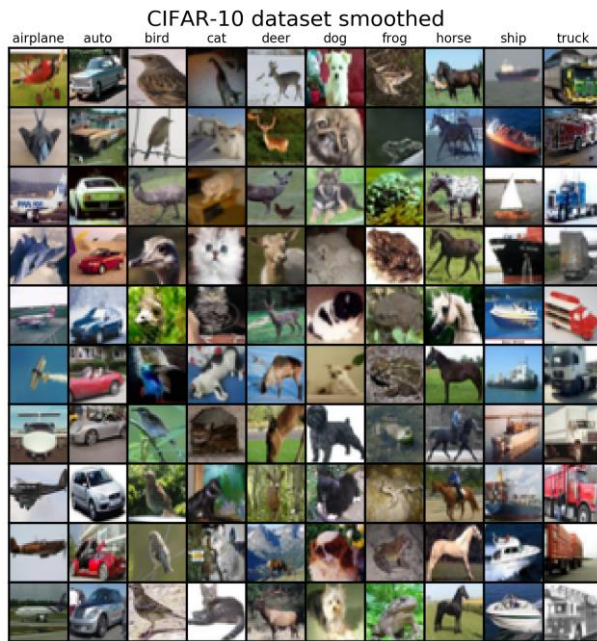
# AE Applications – Image Restoration/Colorization



Apply autoencoder construction with advanced building blocks (e.g. CNN layers)

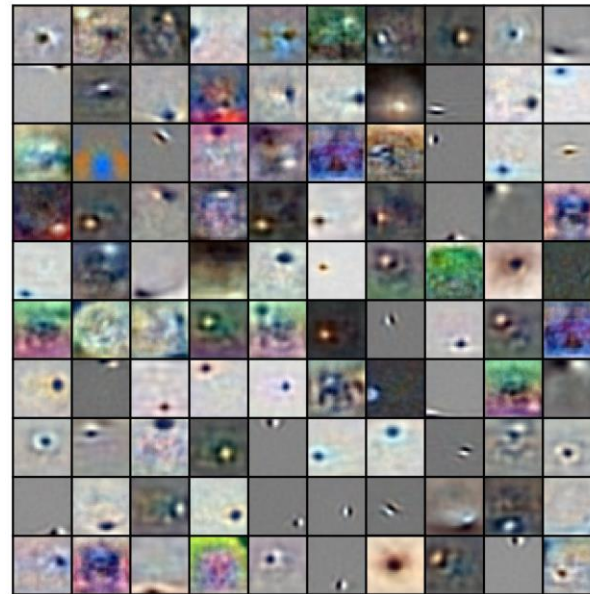


# DBM – Learning Image Features



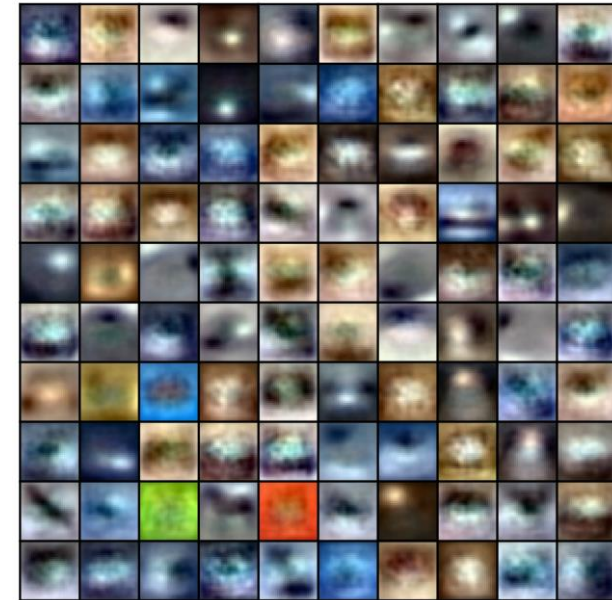
CIFAR-10 Images

Random 100 filters of DBM after joint training (1st layer)



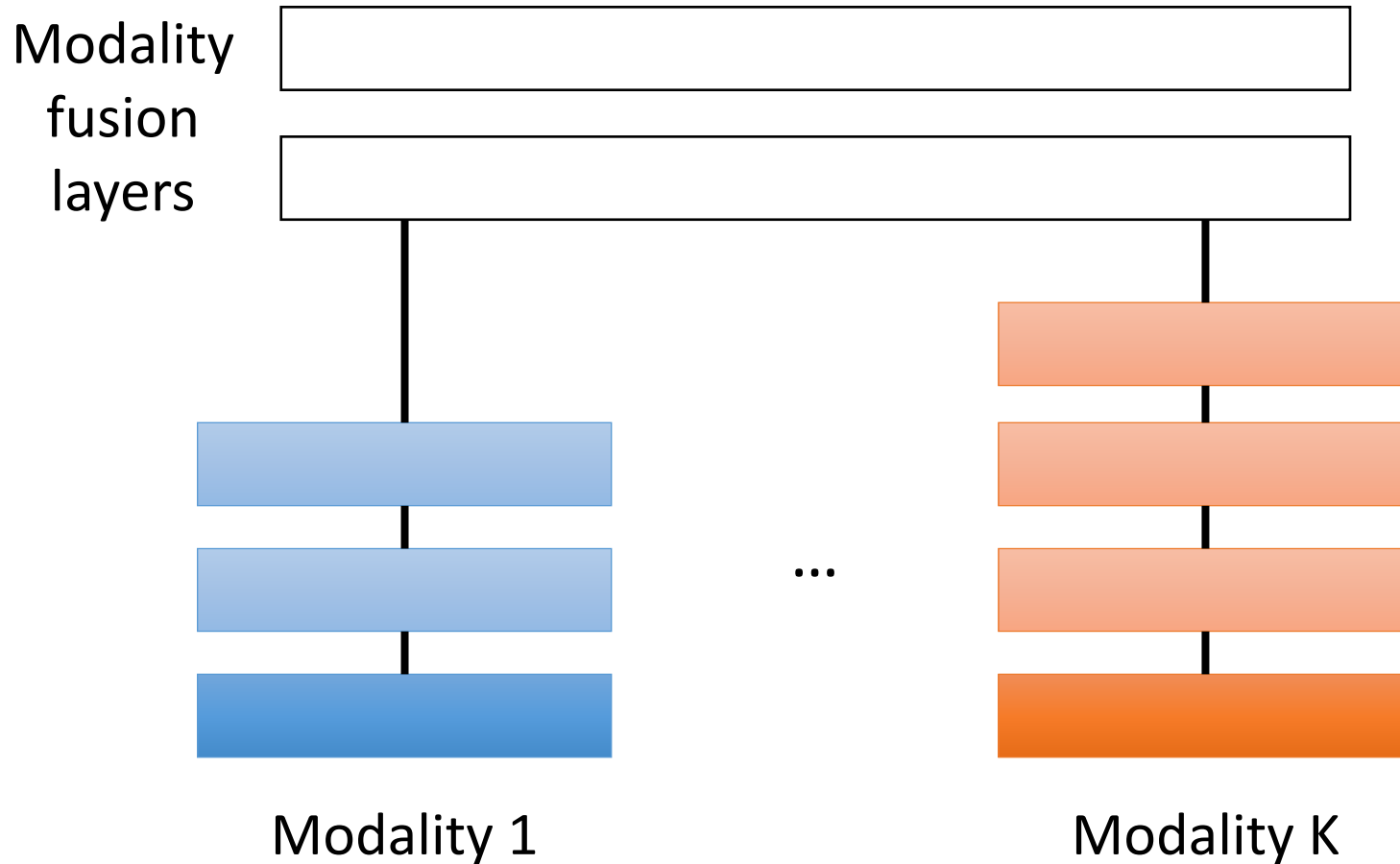
Level 1 Filters

First 100 filters of DBM after joint training (2nd layer)



Level 2 Filters













# Multimodal DBM





# Multimodal DBM – Image and Text

$P(txt|img)$

Image	Given Tags	Generated Tags	Input Tags	Nearest neighbors to generated image features	
	pentax, k10d, kangarooisland, southaustralia, sa, 300mm, australia, australiansealion	beach, sea, surf, strand, shore, wave, seascape, sand, ocean, waves	nature, hill, scenery, green, clouds		
	< no text >	night, lights, christmas, nightshot, nacht, nuit, notte, longexposure, noche, nocturna	flower, nature, green, flowers, petal, petals, bud		
	aheram, 0505, sarahc, moo	portrait, bw, balckandwhite, people, faces, girl, blackwhite, person, man	blue, red, art, artwork, painted, paint, artistic, surreal, gallery, bleu		
	unseulpixel, naturey crap	fall, autumn, trees, leaves, foliage, forest, woods, branches, path	bw, blackandwhite, noiretblanc, bianconero, blancoynegro		

$P(img|txt)$











# Multimodal DBM – Sampling



Step 50	Step 100	Step 150	Step 200	Step 250
travel	beach	sea	water	italy
trip	ocean	beach	canada	water
vacation	waves	island	bc	sea
africa	sea	vacation	britishcolumbia	boat
earthasia	sand	travel	reflection	italia
asia	nikon	ocean	alberta	mare
men	surf	caribbean	lake	venizia
2007	rocks	tropical	quebec	acqua
india	coast	resort	ontario	ocean
tourism	shore	trip	ice	venice

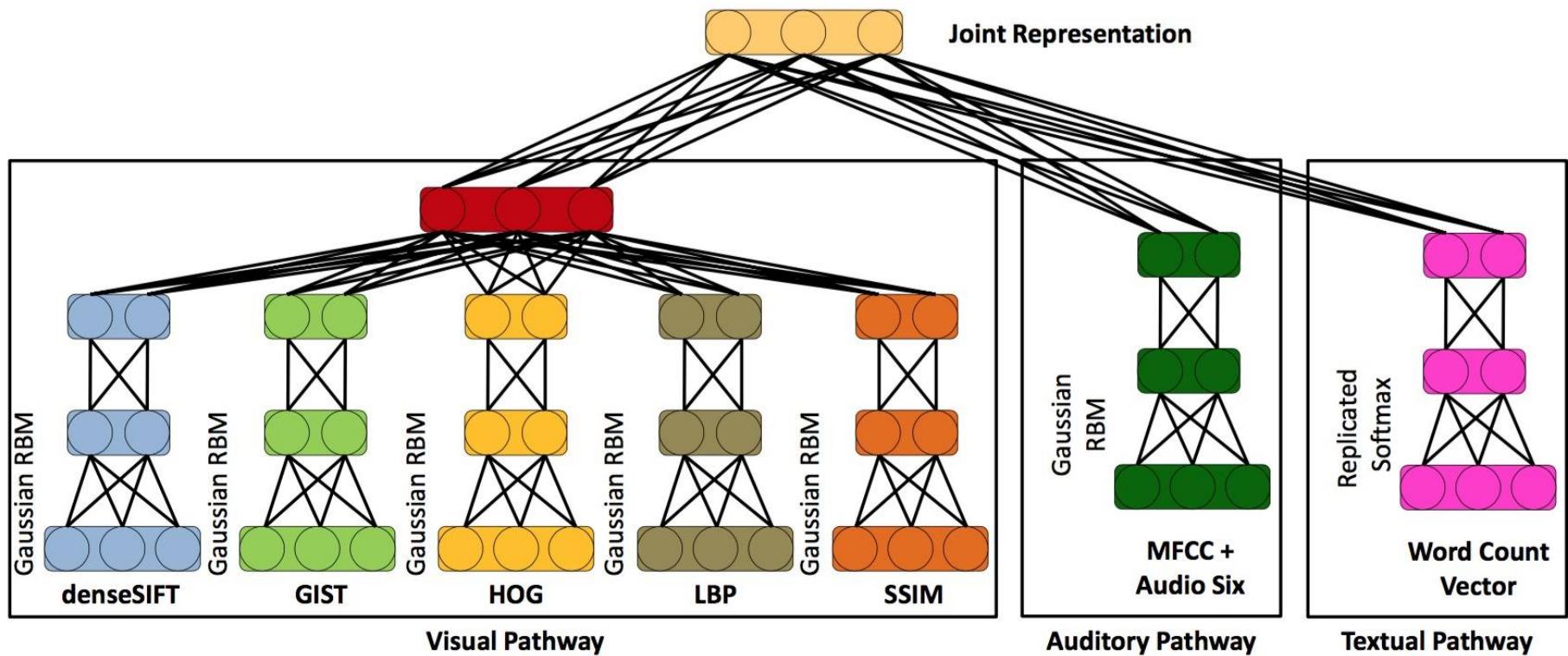
Input tags	Step 50	Step 100	Step 150	Step 200	Step 250
purple, flowers					
car, automobile					

# Multimodal DBM – Multimodal Quering

Multimodal Query	Top 4 retrieved results				
 <p>hongkong, causewaybay, shoppingcentre, building, mall</p>	 <p>howell, bridge, genesee, river, rochester, downtown, building</p>	 <p>london, uk, night, skyline, river, thames, lights, bridge</p>	 <p>edinburgh, scotland, dusk, bank</p>	 <p>arcoiris, fincadehierro, lluvia, sannicolas, valencia</p>	
 <p>me, myself, eyes, blue, hair</p>	 <p>urban, me, abigfave, fiveflickrfavs,</p>	 <p>trisha, mynewcamera, lake, field, girl</p>	 <p>me, ofme, self, selfportrait</p>	 <p>pink, prettyinpink, explored</p>	



# Multimodal DBM for Multimedia



# Take Home Messages

- Regularized autoencoder
  - Optimize reconstruction quality
  - Constrain stored information
- Autoencoder training is **manifold learning**
  - Learn a latent space manifold where input data resides
  - Store only **variations that are useful** to represent training data
- Autoencoders **learn a (conditional) distribution** of input data  $P(\hat{x} | \dots)$
- Deep AE: pretraining, fine tuning, supervised optimization
- Use AE for finding new/useful **data representations**
  - Or to learn its distribution

# Next Lecture

## Gated Recurrent Networks

- Learning with sequential data
- Gradient issues
- Gated RNN
  - Long-Short Term Memories (LSTM)
  - Gated Recurrent Units (GRU)
- Advanced topics
  - Understanding and exploiting memory encoding
  - Applications