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# **Sparse-coded Net Model and Applications**

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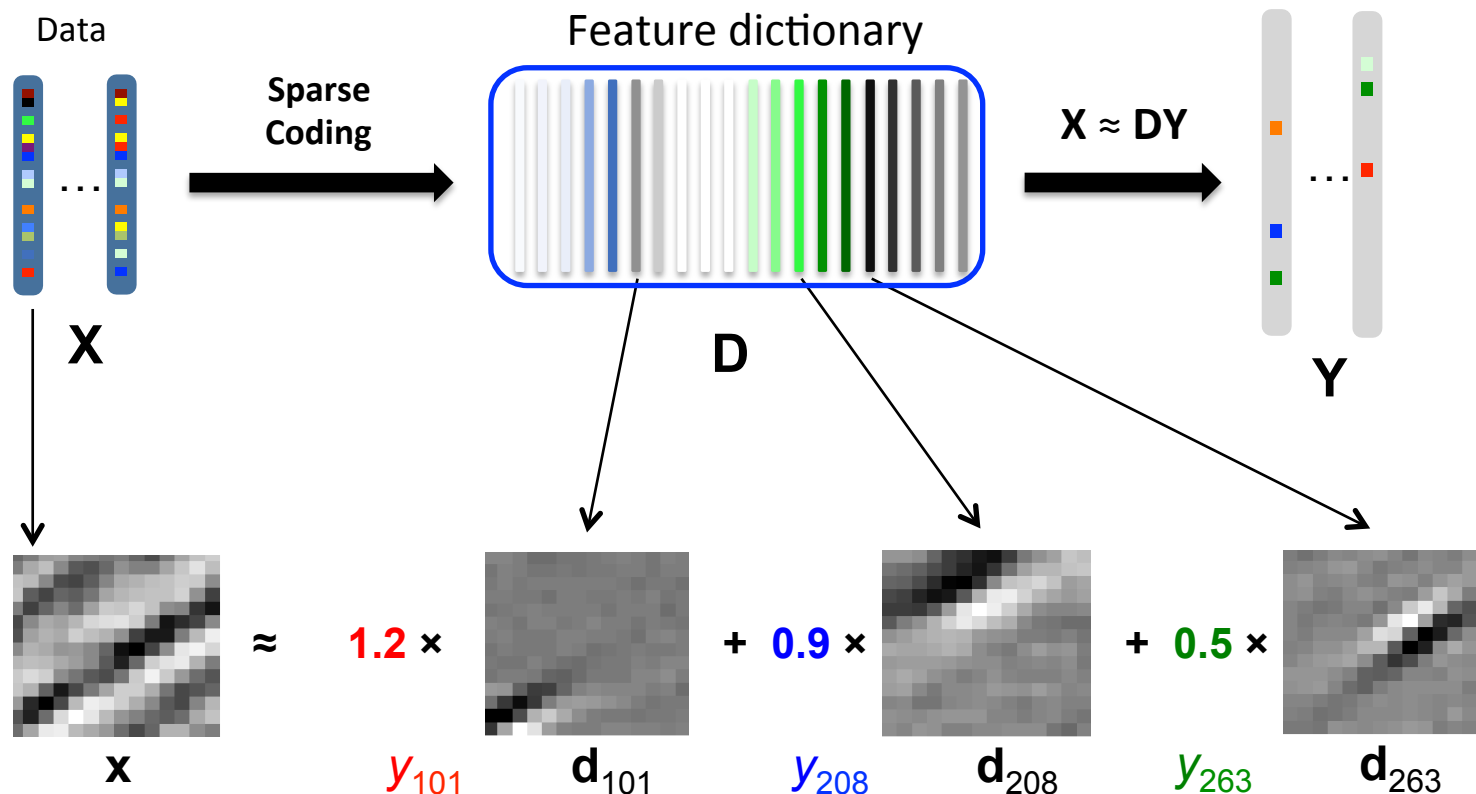


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# Background: Sparse Coding

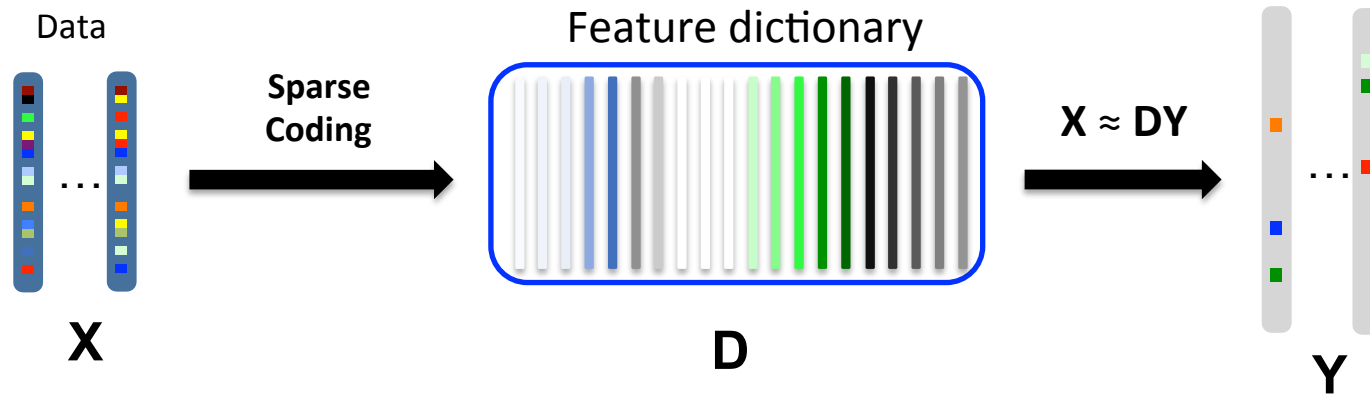
- **Unsupervised method to learn representation of data**
  - Decompose data into sparse linear combination of learned basis vectors
  - Domain transform: raw data  $\rightarrow$  feature vectors





# Background: Sparse Coding (cont.)

- Popularly solved as  $L_1$ -regularized optimization (LASSO/LARS)
  - Optimizing on  $L_0$  pseudo-norm is intractable  $\Rightarrow$  greedy- $L_0$  algorithm (OMP) can be used instead



$$\min_{\{D, y\}} \|x - Dy\|_2^2 + \lambda \|y\|_1$$


$$\min_{\{D, y\}} \|x - Dy\|_2^2 + \lambda \|y\|_0$$

Convex relaxation



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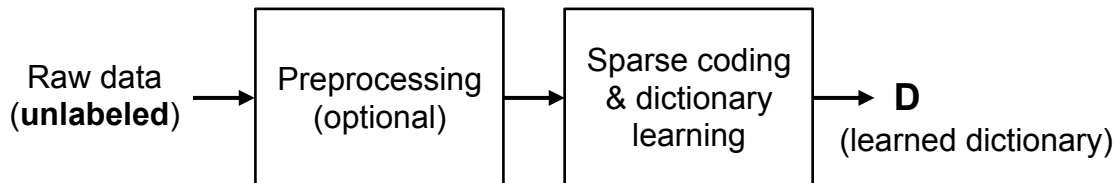
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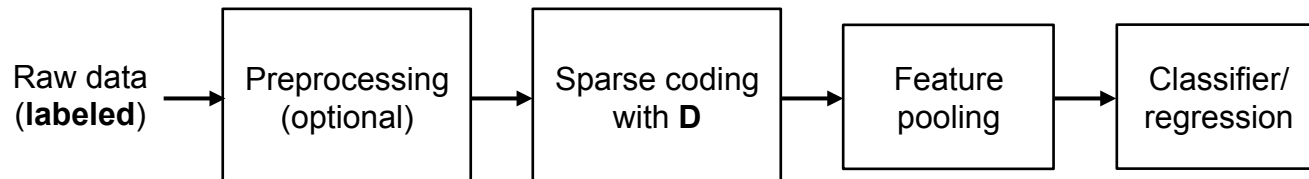
# Semi-supervised Learning with Sparse Coding

- **Semi-supervised learning**
  - Unsupervised stage: learn feature representation using unlabeled data
  - Supervised stage: optimize task objective using learned feature representations of labeled data
- **Semi-supervised learning with sparse coding**
  - Unsupervised stage: sparse coding and dictionary learning with unlabeled data
  - Supervised stage: train classifier/regression using sparse codes of labeled data

## Unsupervised stage




## Supervised stage





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# Sparse-coded Net Motivations

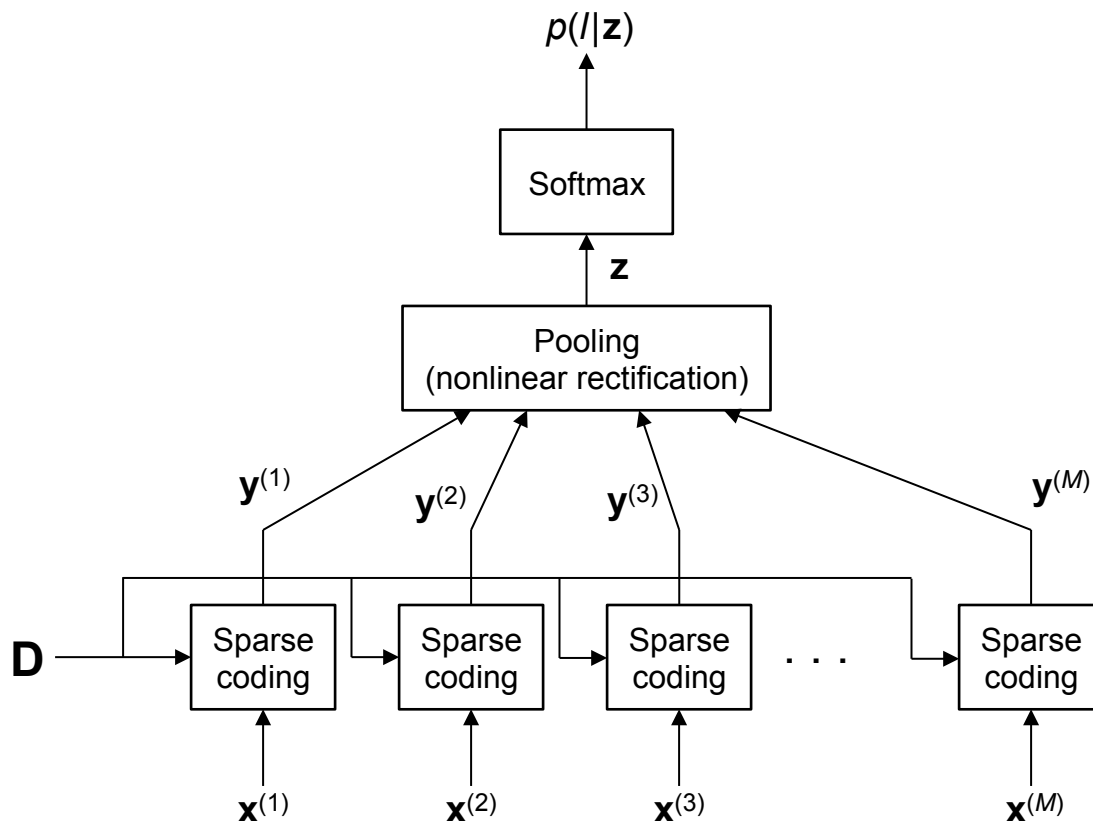
- **Semi-supervised learning with sparse coding cannot jointly optimize feature representation learning and task objective**
- **Sparse codes used as feature vectors for task cannot be modified to induce correct data labels**
  - **No supervised dictionary learning  $\Rightarrow$  sparse coding dictionary is learned using only unlabeled data**





# Sparse-coded Net

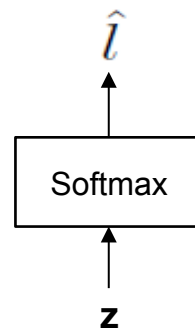
- **Feedforward model with sparse coding, pooling, softmax layers**
  - **Pretrain:** semi-supervised learning with sparse coding
  - **Finetune:** SCN backpropagation





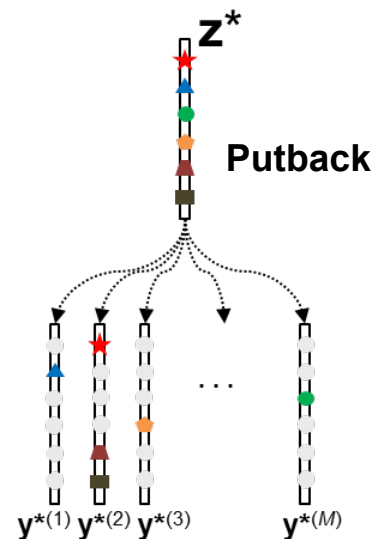
# SCN Backpropagation

- When predicted output does not match ground truth, hold softmax weights constant and adjust pooled sparse code by gradient descent
  - $\mathbf{z} \rightarrow \mathbf{z}^*$
- Adjust sparse codes from adjusted pooled sparse code by putback
  - $\mathbf{z}^* \rightarrow \mathbf{Y}^*$
- Adjust sparse coding dictionary by rank-1 updates or gradient descent
  - $\mathbf{D} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}^*$
- Redo feedforward path with adjusted dictionary and retrain softmax
- Repeat until convergence



Rewrite softmax loss as function of  $\mathbf{z}$

$$J(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\hat{l} - l\|^2$$





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# Experimental Evaluation

- **Audio and Acoustic Signal Processing (AASP)**
  - 30-second WAV files recorded in 44.1kHz 16-bit stereo
  - 10 classes such as bus, busy street, office, and open-air market
  - For each class, 10 labeled examples
- **CIFAR-10**
  - 60,000 32x32 color images
  - 10 classes such as airplane, automobile, cat, and dog
  - We sample 2,000 images to form train and test datasets
- **Wikipedia**
  - 2,866 documents
  - Annotated with 10 categorical labels
  - Text-document is represented as 128 LDA features



# Results: AASP Sound Classification

## Sound Classification Performance on AASP dataset

Method	Accuracy
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (LARS)	73.0%
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (OMP)	69.0%
GMM-SVM	61.0%
Deep SAE NN (4 layers)	71.0%
Sparse-coded net (LARS)	<b>78.0%</b>
Sparse-coded net (OMP)	<b>75.0%</b>

- Sparse-coded net model for LARS achieves the best accuracy performance of 78%
  - Comparable to the best AASP scheme (79%)
  - Significantly better than the AASP baseline<sup>†</sup> (57%)



# Results:

## CIFAR Image Classification

### Image Classification performance on CIFAR-10

Method	Accuracy
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (LARS)	84.0%
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (OMP)	81.3%
GMM-SVM	76.8%
Deep SAE NN (4 layers)	81.9%
Sparse-coded net (LARS)	<b>87.9%</b>
Sparse-coded net (OMP)	<b>85.5%</b>

- Again, sparse-coded net model for LARS achieves the best accuracy performance of 87.9%
  - Superior to RBM and CNN pipelines evaluated by *Coates et al.*<sup>†</sup>



# Results:

## Wikipedia Category Classification

### Text Classification performance on Wikipedia dataset

Method	Accuracy
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (LARS)	69.4%
Semi-supervised via sparse coding (OMP)	61.1%
Deep SAE NN (4 layers)	67.1%
Sparse-coded net (LARS)	<b>70.2%</b>
Sparse-coded net (OMP)	<b>62.1%</b>

- We achieve the best accuracy of 70.2% with sparse-coded net on LARS
  - Superior to 60.5 – 68.2% by existing approaches<sup>†1,†2</sup>

<sup>†1</sup>K. Duan, H. Zhang, and J. Wang, "Joint learning of cross-modal classifier and factor analysis for multimedia data classification," *Neural Computing and Applications*, vol. 27, no. 2, 2016.

<sup>†2</sup>L. Zhang, Q. Zhang, L. Zhang, D. Tao, X. Huang, and B. Du, "Ensemble Manifold Regularized Sparse Low-rank Approximation for Multi-view Feature Embedding," *Pattern Recognition*, vol. 48, no. 10, 2015.



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# Conclusions and Future Work

## Conclusions

- Introduced sparse-coded net model that jointly optimizes sparse coding and dictionary learning with supervised task at output layer
- Proposed SCN backpropagation algorithm that can handle mix-up of feature vectors related to pooling nonlinearity
- Demonstrated superior classification performance on sound (AASP), image (CIFAR-10), and text (Wikipedia) data

## Future Work

- More realistic larger-scale experiments necessary
- Generalize hyperparameter optimization techniques for various datasets (e.g., audio, video, text)