



Fewer components with subtractions

**Questions?** 

## How to learn subtractive mixture models?

...Contributions! 1 2 3

$$p(\mathbf{X}) = \sum_{i=1}^{K} \boldsymbol{w_i} \, p_i(\mathbf{X}) \qquad \boldsymbol{w_i} \in \mathbb{R}$$

How to ensure  $p(\mathbf{X})$  is non-negative?  $\implies$  Impose ad-hoc constraints over the parameters X challenging to derive in closed-form [1][2][3]

**2** How much more expressive are they? with respect to traditional additive-only mixtures

## **3** What is their relationship with other models? understanding why they are expressive ...

... and why they support tractable inference



# *"We learn exponentially more expressive mixture models with subtractions, by squaring deep tensorized mixtures"*

Learning deep subtractive mixtures by squaring layers of a deep circuit



Squaring mixtures ...

$$p(\mathbf{X}) \propto \left(\sum_{i=1}^{K} w_i \, \boldsymbol{p_i}(\mathbf{X})\right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} w_i w_j \, \boldsymbol{p_i}(\mathbf{X}) \boldsymbol{p_j}(\mathbf{X})$$

**Renormalization:** 

$$Z = \sum_{i=1}^{K} \sum_{j=1}^{K} w_i w_j \int p_i(\mathbf{X}) p_j(\mathbf{X}) d\mathbf{X}$$



Tractable marginalization is supported by exponential families [2] and splines components







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### Build deep mixtures with layers as "Lego blocks"

Theorem. exponential separation [4] [5]



There is a class of distributions  ${\mathcal F}$  over variables  ${f X}$  that can be compactly represented as a shallow squared mixture with negative weights, but the smallest structured decomposable additive-only mixture of any depth computing any  $F\in \mathcal{F}$  has size  $2^{\Omega(|\mathbf{X}|)}$ .

#### Deep additive-only mixtures



Squared subtractive mixture model









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## Understanding the expressiveness of other models in a unifying framework



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