

Blind Deconvolution and Compressed Sensing



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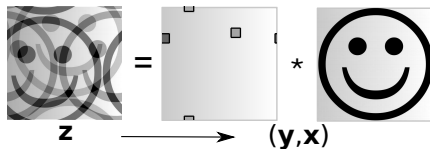
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- bilinear inverse problem: $z = B(x, y)$
- ambiguities, constraining x and/or y

Many applications:

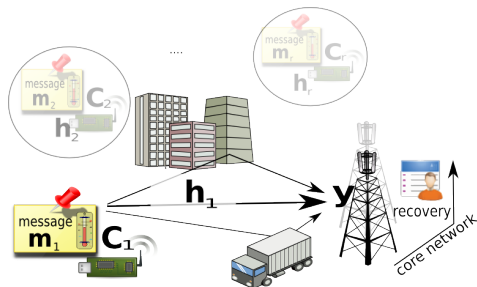
- imaging (blind deblurring)
- radar, e.g., ground penetrating radar (GPR), radar imaging
- speech recognition
- wireless communication

Blind Deconvolution and Demixing

A problem in Wireless Communication:

- r different devices
- device i delivers message m_i
- **Linear encoding:**
 $x_i = C_i m_i$ with $C_i \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times N}$
- **Channel model:**
 $w_i = B_i h_i$, where $B_i \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times K}$
- **Received signal:**

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^r w_i * x_i \in \mathbb{R}^L$$



Goal: recover **all** m_i from y

Assumptions on B_i and C_i

$$y = \sum_{i=1}^r w_i * x_i = \sum_{i=1}^r B_i h_i * C_i m_i$$

- Assume w_i is concentrated on the first few entries, i.e., B_i extends h_i by zeros
- (Our analysis will include more general B_i)
- Choice of C_i is arbitrary \Rightarrow randomize
- Choose C_i to have i.i.d. standard normal entries

Lifting

- There are unique linear maps $\mathcal{A}_i : \mathbb{R}^{K \times N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^L$ such that for arbitrary h_i and m_i

$$w_i * x_i = B_i h_i * C_i m_i = \mathcal{A}_i (h_i m_i^*) = \mathcal{A}_i (Y_i)$$

- $$y = \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i (h_i m_i^*) = \mathcal{A} (X_0),$$

where

$$X_0 = (h_1 m_1^*, \dots, h_r m_r^*)$$

- Low rank matrix recovery problem**



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A convex approach for recovery

- $r = 1$ investigated in [Ahmed, Recht, Romberg, 2012]
- $r \geq 1$ semidefinite program (SDP) [Ling, Strohmer, 2015]

$$\text{minimize } \sum_{i=1}^r \|Y_i\|_* \quad \text{subject to } \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i(Y_i) = y. \quad (\text{SDP})$$

- $\|\cdot\|_*$: nuclear norm, i.e., the sum of the singular values
- Recovery is guaranteed with high probability, if

$$L \geq Cr^2 (K + \mu_h^2 N) \log^3 L \log r$$

- coherence parameter: $1 \leq \mu_h = \max_i \frac{\|\hat{h}_i\|_\infty}{\|h_i\|_2} \leq \sqrt{K}$

Linear scaling in r

- Number of degrees of freedom: $r(K + N)$
- Recovery guarantee of Ling and Strohmer (up to log-factors)

$$L \geq Cr^2 (K + \mu_h^2 N) \log \dots$$

- Optimal in K and R , suboptimal in r
- Conjecture by Strohmer: Number of required measurements scales linear in r
- This is supported by numerical experiments

Main result

Theorem (Jung, Krahmer, S., 2016)

Let $\alpha \geq 1$. Assume that

$$L \geq C_\alpha r (K \log^2 K + N \mu_h^2) \log^2 L \log(\gamma_0 r), \quad (1)$$

where

$$\gamma_0 = \sqrt{N \left(\log \left(\frac{NL}{2} \right) \right) + \alpha \log L}$$

and C_α is a universal constant only depending on α . Then with probability $1 - \mathcal{O}(L^{-\alpha})$ the recovery program is successful, i.e. there exists X_0 is the unique minimizer of (SDP).

- (Near) optimal dependence on K , N , and r

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- Crucial new ingredient for both steps:

Restricted isometry property on $2r$ -dimensional space

$$T = \left\{ (u_1 m_1^* + h_1 v_1^*, \dots, u_r m_r^* + h_r v_r^*) : \right. \\ \left. u_1, \dots, u_r \in \mathbb{R}^K, v_1, \dots, v_r \in \mathbb{R}^N \right\}$$

Intuition for T :

Directions of change when slightly varying the m_i 's and h_i 's

Restricted isometry property 1

Definition

We say that \mathcal{A} fulfills the restricted isometry property on T for some $\delta > 0$, if for all $X = (X_1, \dots, X_r) \in T$

$$(1 - \delta) \sum_{i=1}^r \|X_i\|_F^2 \leq \left\| \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i(X_i) \right\|_{\ell_2}^2 \leq (1 + \delta) \sum_{i=1}^r \|X_i\|_F^2.$$

[Ling, Strohmer, 2015]: Each operator \mathcal{A}_i acts almost isometrically on

$$T_i = \left\{ um_i^* + h_i v^* : u \in \mathbb{R}^K, v \in \mathbb{R}^N \right\}.$$

and $\mathcal{A}_i, \mathcal{A}_j$ are incoherent
 $\Rightarrow r^2$ -bottleneck

Restricted isometry property 2

- **Observe:**

Restricted isometry property for some $\delta > 0$ is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned}\delta &\geq \sup_{X \in T} \left| \left\| \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i(X_i) \right\|_{\ell_2}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^r \|X_i\|_F^2 \right| \\ &= \sup_{X \in T} \left| \left\| \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i(X_i) \right\|_{\ell_2}^2 - \mathbb{E} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^r \mathcal{A}_i(X_i) \right\|_{\ell_2}^2 \right] \right|.\end{aligned}$$

- **Suprema of chaos processes:** The last term can be bounded using results from [Krahmer, Mendelson, Rauhut, 2014].

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Open questions

- Generalization to more general random matrices
- Faster algorithms
- What if only a few number of devices are active? Does one obtain better recovery guarantees?
- Generalization to sparsity assumption on h (instead of a subspace assumption)