On the move: Dynamical systems for modeling, measurement and inference in low-dimensional signal models

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Big data getting bigger

- ARGUS-IS imager
 - 1.8 GP camera
 - 770 Gb/sec
 - 1M TB/day
- Currently 6B people access mobile phones
- Microelectrode array
 - 100 channels
 - 30 kHz
 - 2 TB/day

PERSPECTIVES

NEUROSCIENCE

The Brain Activity Map

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(Baraniuk 2012)



Leveraging structure



Biological systems exploit structure for extreme efficiency

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Linear subspace

Sparse coefficients

Manifold



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Static sparsity model

• Linear generative model:



- Causes are iid and sparse: $p(a_i) \propto e^{-|a_i|\sqrt{2}/\sigma}$
- Noise is Gaussian: $p(x|a) \propto e^{-\|x-\Phi a\|_2^2/2\sigma_w^2}$
- Infer $\{a_i\}$ via MAP estimate called BPDN:

$$\widehat{a} = \arg\max_{a} p(a|x) = \arg\min_{a} \left[\frac{1}{2} \|x - \Phi a\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{i} |a_{i}| \right]_{-2}^{-2}$$

 ϕ_i

 a_i

• Regularization parameter is inverse SNR: $\lambda \propto \frac{\sigma_w^2}{\sigma}$

 \mathcal{X}

 $P(a_i)$

 a_i

Dynamic signal estimation

• Common setup:

State $f(x[n] = f(x[n-1]) + \nu[n] \longleftarrow$ $f(x[n]) = g(x[n]) + \epsilon[n] \longleftarrow$ Observation Measurement

• Hidden Markov model:



noise

Dynamic filtering and Kalman

• Markov structure->incremental posterior computation

 $x^{^{new}}$

 $x^{\scriptscriptstyle old}$

- Prior from prediction
- Likelihood from measurement
- x_{new} estimated from posterior



$$x^{new} = \arg\min_{x} \|y^{new} - g(x)\|_{2,R}^2 + \|x - f(x^{old})\|_{2,P}^2$$

• Norm kernel (P) propagates covariance

 (x^{old})

Applications and non-Gaussianity

- Applications in navigation, tracking, neuroscience
- Potential in feature tracking for computer vision
- Problem: frequently non-linear/non-Gaussian
 - Extended KF linearizes system
 - Particle filtering/unscented KF propagate distribution samples



• Sparse states or innovations?

Current approaches

- Modify KF (e.g., restricted support, sparsify solution, propagate covariance) [Vaswani 2008; Carmi, et al. 2010]
- Direct coefficient transition modeling (e.g., MP or modified OMP) [Zachariah et al. 2012; Ziniel, et al. 2010]
- L1 penalty in optimization (BPDN dynamic filtering)

[Charles, Asif, Romberg, & R. 2011; Vaswani 2010; Sejdinovic et al. 2010]



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Inspiration

- Idea from static model: re-weighted I1 (RWL1)
 - Gamma hyperprior on variances λ_i
 - EM algorithm yields iterative re-weighted I1



RWL1 dynamic filter idea



• RWL1-DF propagates second order statistics

RWL1-DF algorithm

• Main idea: RWL1 with variances from model prediction

$$\begin{aligned} x_i^{new} | \lambda_i^{new} &\sim \text{Laplacian}(0, \lambda_i^{new}) \\ \lambda_i^{new} &\sim \text{Gamma with } \mathbb{E}(\lambda_i^{new}) = \frac{1}{[f(x^{old})]_i} \end{aligned}$$

• EM inference -> RWL1-DF:

$$\lambda_i^{new} = \frac{2\tau}{|x_i^{new}| + |[f(x^{old})]_i| + \eta}}$$
$$x^{new} = \arg\min_x \|y^{new} - g(x)\|_2^2 + \lambda_0 \sum_i \lambda_i^{new} |x_i|$$

(Charles & R. 2013)

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Propagating second order statistics



- Encode dynamic information in variances
- Sparsity model is directly integrated
- More robust to model errors
- Can leverage advances in L1 min algorithms

Video data

- Standard Foreman test video sequence (128x128)
- Measurements: compressed sensing setup with M=0.25*128² measurements
- Assume states are sparse wavelet (synthesis) coefficients with f(x)=x
- Methods based on standard KF not possible due to matrix inverses over large state space

Lower steady-state recovery error



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Future directions

- Learn system dynamics from data
- Track other types of low-dimensional structures
- Theoretical guarantees
- Applications in:
 - computer vision (target tracking, learning physics models, imagination, etc.)
 - computational neurorehabilitation of motor deficits
 - remote sensing (superresolution of hyperspectral data)
 - large scale electrophysiology data



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Memory

 Much of our perceptual experience depends critically on memory and prediction

• What is the substrate for efficient memory?





Short-term sequence memory

- Many different types of memory
 - Long-term memory -> synaptic plasticity
 - Short-term memory -> network properties
- Sequence memory
 - Phone numbers, repeated sensory patterns, ...



• Focus today: short-term sequence memory

Sensing with a network

• Exogenous time series *s*[*n*] drives a network of *M* nodes

$$\boldsymbol{x}[n] = f\left(\boldsymbol{W}\boldsymbol{x}[n-1] + \boldsymbol{z}\boldsymbol{s}[n] + \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}[n]\right)$$



(Maass, et al. 2002; Jaeger & Haas 2004; Jaeger 2001; White et al. 2004; Ganguli et al. 2008)

- Can *M* nodes recover a signal of length *N*>*M*? No.
- What if inputs s[n] are sparse in basis Ψ ?

$$oldsymbol{x}[N] = oldsymbol{A} oldsymbol{s} + oldsymbol{\epsilon}$$
 $oldsymbol{s} = [oldsymbol{s}[N], \dots, oldsymbol{s}[1]]^T$
 $oldsymbol{A} = egin{bmatrix} oldsymbol{z} & \mid & oldsymbol{W}^2 oldsymbol{z} & \mid & \dots & \mid & oldsymbol{W}^{N-1} oldsymbol{z} \end{bmatrix}^T$

(Ganguli et al. 2010)

Compressed Sensing (CS)

- Signal acquisition framework: $y = \Psi x + w$
 - Undersampled: Ψ is iid random $M \times N$ with $M = O(K \log N)$
- Sufficient condition: Restricted Isometry Property
 - For all 2*S*-sparse signals *x*, we have RIP(2*S*, δ) if:

$$C(1-\delta) \le \|\Psi x\|_2^2 / \|x\|_2^2 \le C(1+\delta)$$

- Recovery via BPDN:

$$\widehat{a} = \arg\min_{a} \|a\|_{1} \quad \text{such that} \quad \|y - \Psi \Phi a\|_{2} \le \|w\|_{2}$$
$$\widehat{x} = \Phi \widehat{a}$$

- Recovery guarantee:

$$\|x - \hat{x}\|_{2} \le \alpha \|w\|_{2} + \beta \frac{\|\Phi^{T}(x - x_{S})\|_{1}}{\sqrt{S}}$$

(Candès 2006)

Structured Matrices in CS

• Subsampled Fourier matrices RIP- $(S, \delta) \Leftrightarrow M \ge O\left(\frac{S}{\delta^2}\log^4(N)\right)$



(Rudelson and Vershynin, 2008)

• Partial circulant matrices (with random probe)

$$\operatorname{RIP} - (S, \delta) \Leftrightarrow M \ge O\left(\frac{S}{\delta^2} \log^4(N)\right)$$

• Block diagonal matrices

$$\operatorname{RIP} - (S, \delta) \Leftrightarrow M \ge O\left(\frac{S}{\delta^2}\mu^2 \log^6(N)\right)$$



(Krahmer et al., 2012)



(Yap, Eftekhari, Wakin, & R., 2014)

• Any RIP matrix can produce stable manifold embeddings

(Yap, Wakin, & R., 2013; Krahmer & Ward 2011; Baraniuk & Wakin 2009)

Memory capacity of finite length inputs

- Choose a construction for the network
 - Random orthogonal connectivity matrix: $W = UDU^{-1}$
 - Eigenvalues $d_m = e^{jt_m}$ drawn iid from unit circle

• Inputs weights:
$$m{z} = rac{1}{\sqrt{M}} m{U} m{1}_M$$

• Decompose:

 $A \propto UF$ where $F = [d^0|d|d^2| \dots |d^{N-1}]$

- For S-sparse signal in basis Ψ , δ , and failure prob η , if: $M \ge C \frac{S}{s^2} \mu^2 \left(\Psi \right) \log^4 \left(N \right) \log \left(\eta^{-1} \right)$ $\mu\left(\boldsymbol{\Psi}\right) = \max_{n=1,\dots,N} \sup_{t \in [0,2\pi]} \left| \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{m,n} e^{-jtm} \right|$
- Then with probability exceeding $(1-\eta)$, RIP: $(1-\delta) \leq \|As\|_2^2 / \|s\|_2^2 \leq (1+\delta)_{\text{(Charles, Yap, \& R., 2014)}}$

Proof sketch

- Since F is Vandermonde, proof follows very closely from the proof of RIP for subsampled DTFT matrices (Rauhut, 2010)
- Proof sketch:
 - Express RIP conditioning as a random variable

$$\delta_S = \sup_{s:\|s\|_0 = S} \left| \frac{\|As\|_2^2}{\|s\|_2^2} - 1 \right|$$

- Bound moments $E((\delta_S)^p)$ using recent results for bounding expected supremum of random processes (Rudelson & Vershynin, 2008)
- Use moment bounds to get tail bounds characterizing the RIP failure probability

Empirical recovery





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One man's signal is another man's noise



Use RIP recovery guarantees to bound recovery error



Future directions

- Extensions to multiple inputs (sparsity and low rank)
- Applications in wireless sensor networks
- Applications in novel data acquisition systems
 - Similar to compressive multiplexers that share ADCs
 - Possible approach for high-density microelectrode arrays



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Network solutions



• Many algorithms for using computers to solve

$$\{a_m\} = \arg\min_a \left\| \frac{1}{2} \left\| x - \sum_m \phi_m a_m \right\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_m C(a_m) \right\|_2$$

- Can a dynamical system efficiently solve it?
- Locally competitive algorithms (LCA)

(R., Johnson, Baraniuk & Olshausen, 2008)

LCA dynamical system architecture



Sparse approximation with LCAs

• System descends via warped gradient descent:

$$\dot{u}_m \propto -\frac{\partial E}{\partial a_m}$$
 with $u_m = T_{\lambda}^{-1}(a_m) = a_m + \lambda \frac{\partial C(a_m)}{\partial a_m}$

- With some assumptions on the non-linear function:
 - Is globally asymptotically stable if *E* is strictly convex
 - Converges to fixed point even with connected solutions
 - Converges exponentially fast: MSE $\leq ke^{-ct}$
- In CS recovery, can establish stronger bounds
 - No extraneous coefficients in support if $M = O(K^2 \log N)$
 - Strong bounds on convergence rate if $M = O(K \log N)$

(Balavoine, Romberg & R., 2012; Balavoine, R. & Romberg, 2013a,b)

Many cost functions



• Also RWL1 and block L1 (non-overlapping blocks)

(Charles, Garrigues & R., 2012)

Implementation in analog VLSI

• Implementation on reconfigurable analog hardware





Sublinear scaling of convergence time with N

System	12×18	$666 \times 1 \mathrm{k}$	$666 \times 1 \mathrm{k}$	1k CPU [3]
	Spiking LCA	Spiking LCA	Analog LCA	
		(Hypothetical)	(Hypoth.)[4]	
Power (Active)	$1.34\mathrm{mW}$	$7.68\mathrm{mW}$	$149 \mathrm{mW}$	$\approx 3.8 W$
(Total)	$3.02 \mathrm{mW}$	$9.79\mathrm{mW}$	$151 \mathrm{mW}$	$\approx 100 W$
Time (Converge)	$25 \mu s$	$\approx 25 \mu s$	$\approx 240 \mu s$	46ms
Time (Total)	$1.03 \mathrm{ms}$	$1.03 \mathrm{ms}$	$4.62 \mathrm{ms}$	$46\mathrm{ms}$
Error (RMS)	4.8% (@ K=3)	$\approx 4.8\%$	$\approx 5\%$	-
Extra Cost (Avg)	1.7% (@ K=3)	$\approx 1.7\%$	$\approx 1\%$	-

(Shapero, Charles, R. & Hasler 2012; Shapero, R. & Hasler 2012, 2013; Shapero, Zhu, Hasler & R. 2014)

Future directions

- Biological vision models
 - Simulated physiology experiments
 - Predictions for large scale neural recordings
- Applications of LCA in silicon
 - Computer vision on mobile devices
 - Wireless communications
 - Computer graphics
 - Model predictive control
- New approaches combining
 - Scalable mixed signal architectures
 - Lessons from distributed optimization
 - Tools from approximate computing



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Takens' Embedding Theorem



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Stable Reconstruction



Stable Takens' Embeddings?

- RIP works because pairwise distances are stable
- Stable embedding extended to manifolds
 - Unlike typical CS, get one measurement M times
- Linear system and linear measurements:

$$\dot{x} = \Psi x$$

Dimension: *d* Speed: *v*



 If M>2(2d-1)vε⁻¹, then Takens' embedding is stable with conditioning δ₀+ε

$$(1 - (\delta_0 + \epsilon)) \le \frac{\|F(x) - F(y)\|_2^2}{\|x - y\|_2^2} \le (1 + (\delta_0 + \epsilon)) \qquad x, y \in \mathcal{M}$$

(Yap & R., 2011)

Simulations



• d = 3,
$$A_1 = A_2$$
, $\kappa_1 \neq \kappa_2$

•
$$Q(x,y) := \frac{\|F(x) - F(y)\|_2^2}{\|x - y\|_2^2}$$

Observations

- *M* doesn't depend directly on *N*
- Possible that *M*>*N*
 - Would be crazy in standard CS, but reasonable here
- Plateau in conditioning: limit to improvement with *M*
 - Real effect and not a proof artifact
 - δ_0 depends on system and interaction with measurements
 - Only eliminated for systems that fill state space and measurements that observe them evenly
- Combine with results on manifold embeddings to get filtering for dimensionality reduction

(Yap & R., in preparation)

• Extension can be derived for nonlinear systems

(Yap, Eftekhari, Wakin & R., in preparation)

Conclusions

- Value from:
 - Biological motivation
 - Intersection of dynamical systems with signal processing
- Other directions:
 - Modeling biological vision
 - Computer vision, kernel embeddings and interactive machine learning
 - New sensors for neuroscience and personal health
 - New approaches to mixed signal ICs for optimization
 - Neuromodulation and computational therapeutics (PD)

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