# Efficient Message Passing-Based Inference in the Multiple Measurement Vector Problem

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## The Multiple Measurement Vector (MMV) Problem

Consider a time-series of sparse, temporally correlated signal vectors *that share a common support*...



## The Multiple Measurement Vector (MMV) Problem

...observed through a noisy linear measurement process, Y = AX + E.



## Existing methods

- Greedy pursuit
  - □ M-BMP, M-OMP, M-ORMP [Cotter et al., '05]
  - S-OMP [Tropp et al., '06]
  - Subspace-augmented MUSIC\* [Lee et al., '10]
- Mixed-norm  $(\ell_1/\ell_2)$  minimization
  - M-FOCUSS [Cotter et al., '05]
  - RX-penalty, RX-error [Tropp et al., '06]
  - JLZA [Hyder and Mahata, '10]
  - tMFOCUSS\* [Zhang and Rao, '11a]
- Bayesian MMV
  - M-SBL [Wipf and Rao, '07]
  - JSSR-MP [Shedthikere and Chockalingam, '11]
  - T-MSBL\*, T-SBL\* [Zhang and Rao, '11b]
- Block-sparse single measurement vector
  - □ [Eldar and Mishali, '09]
  - bSBL [Zhang and Rao, '11b]



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- Principled parameter learning
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#### A Model of Sparse Time-Evolving Signals

We write: 
$$x_n^{(t)} = s_n^{(t)} \cdot \theta_n^{(t)}$$
 for  $s_n^{(t)} \in \{0,1\}$  and  $\theta_n^{(t)} \sim C\mathcal{N}(\zeta, \sigma^2)$ .



#### Amplitude Evolution

Treat  $\{\theta_n^{(t)}\}_{t=1}^T$  as a Gauss-Markov process:  $\theta_n^{(t)} = (1-\alpha)\theta_n^{(t-1)} + \alpha w_n^{(t)}$ , where  $w_n^{(t)} \sim \mathcal{CN}(0,\rho)$ , and  $\alpha$  conrols the correlation in the random process.

# The Factor Graph Representation



## The Factor Graph Representation: Single Timestep



## The Factor Graph Representation: Support Variables



## The Factor Graph Representation: Amplitude Variables



# Approximate Message Passing (AMP)



- Standard belief propagation is intractable here
- Simplification: Approximate message passing (AMP), [Donoho, Maleki, and Montanari, '09, '10]
- Marginal for  $x_n^{(t)}$ : Bernoulli-Gaussian - $(1 - \pi_n^{(t)})\delta(x_n^{(t)}) + \pi_n^{(t)}\mathcal{CN}(x_n^{(t)};\xi_n^{(t)},\psi_n^{(t)})$
- As  $M, N \to \infty$ , AMP behavior described precisely by state evolution  $\to$  MMSE-optimal estimates [Bayati and Montanari, '10]

# of messages exchanged:  $\mathcal{O}(N)$ Complexity per iteration:  $\mathcal{O}(MN)$  (matrix-vector product)

#### Parameter Learning via Expectation-Maximization

- Signal model governed by a number of parameters:  $\Gamma \triangleq \{\lambda, \zeta, \sigma^2, \alpha, \rho, \sigma_e^2\}$
- Parameters can be tuned automatically from the data using an expectation-maximization (EM) algorithm



- Finds local maximizer of  $p(\mathbf{Y}|\Gamma)$
- EM parameter estimation fits naturally into the existing message passing procedure
  - The E-step of the EM algorithm makes use of quantities available for free as a byproduct of AMP-MMV!

- AMP-MMV w/ EM parameter learning was compared against 3 powerful MMV algorithms, and an oracle-aided MMSE bound (support-aware Kalman smoother)
  - Bayesian: MSBL and T-MSBL\* [Zhang and Rao, '11b]
  - □ *Greedy*: Subspace-augmented MUSIC (SA-MUSIC\*) [Lee et al., '10]
- Signals generated according to signal model; i.i.d. Gaussian A matrices; AWGN corrupting noise

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#### Empirical Study: MSE vs. Normalized Sparsity Rate



## Empirical Study: NSER vs. Normalized Sparsity Rate



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## Empirical Study: MSE vs. Signal Dimension



#### Empirical Study: MSE vs. Measurement Innovation



# Conclusion

#### AMP-MMV

- Works with temporally correlated signal amplitudes
- Performance rivals an oracle-aided MMSE bound (support aware Kalman smoother) over a wide range of problems
- Computational complexity scales *linearly* in all problem dimensions

#### EM parameter learning

- Principled method of learning signal model parameters
- Closed-form updates using outputs of AMP-MMV

#### Empirical study

- Two orders-of-magnitude improvement in runtime
- Major gains possible from matrix diversity

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#### Empirical Study: MSE vs. Undersampling Rate

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