# Understanding physiological signals via sparse representations

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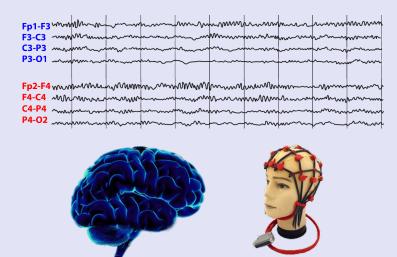
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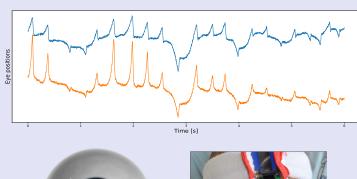




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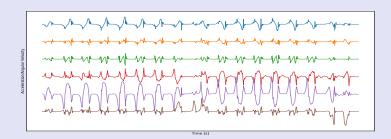
## **Oculometric signals**







## **Accelerometers**







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  - "Curse of dimensionality"
- ▶ Different approaches which can be classified in 2 categories :
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# Finding a good representation is challenging:

► Samples with various lengths and scales,

Invariant

► Heterogeneous sampling rates across channels,

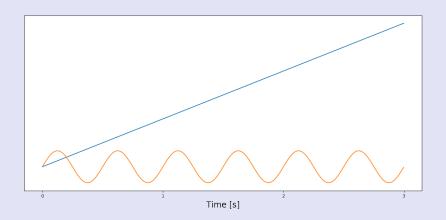
Nonparametric

Samples have high dimension,

Scalable

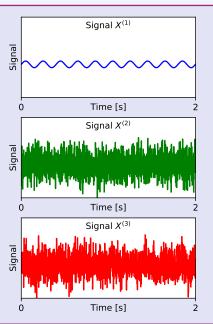
► Non stationary signals.

Robust



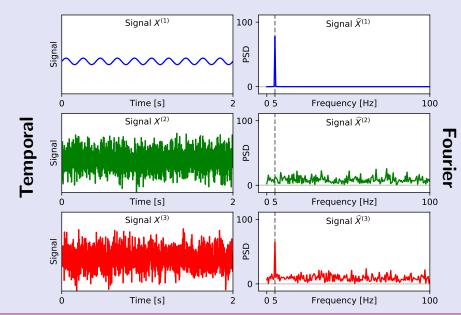
- ▶ Most common representation ▶ Can be efficient (cardiologist)
- ▶ Permits to detect patterns (linearity, periodicity, ...)

## **Temporal representation**

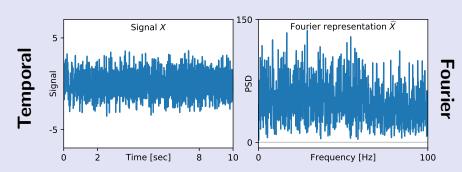


- ► Not robust to noise
- ► Limited interpretation

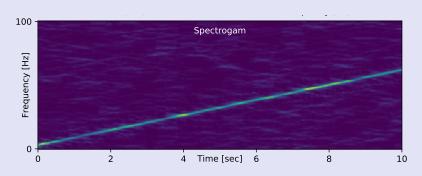
## Fourier representation



## Not so efficient for non stationary signals.



Need some time-frequency insights.



**Main idea :** apply global representation to windowed signals

## Main drawback:

We need to know the property we are looking for.

Data-driven representation

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#### Idea

- Choose a window size K and extract sub series,
- Reconstruct a low rank estimate of all the K-length sub series,
- Decomposition of the series as a sum of "low rank" components.

- $\rightarrow$  K-trajectory matrix  $\boldsymbol{X}^{(K)}$
- ightarrow Singular Value decomposition  $X^{(K)} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \lambda_k U_k V_k^T$
- → Average along anti-diagonals

⇒ Extract components linked to trend and oscillations

## Singular Spectrum Analysis

In practice, this solves the following problem

#### Optimization problem

Solve a convolutional list square

$$Z^*, \mathbf{D}^* = \arg\min_{Z, \mathbf{D}} \frac{1}{2} \left\| X - \sum_{k=1}^K z_k * D_k \right\|_2^2, \tag{1}$$

with constraints  $\langle D_i, D_j \rangle = \delta_{i,j}$ 

- **D** is the dictionary with K patterns in  $\mathbb{R}$  of length W
- ightharpoonup Z is an activation signal, or coding signal in  $\mathbb{R}^K$  of length I = T W + 1

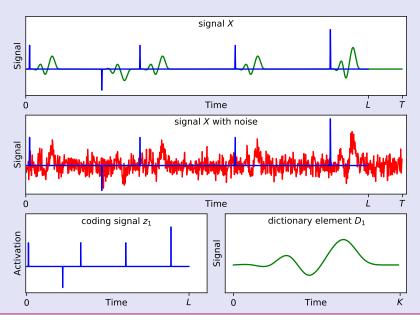
#### **Issues**

Same pattern present in different low rank components

Representation is "dense", no localization

Different representation for each signal

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# Convolutional dictionary learning

- ► Shift invariant patterns
- Separation between the localization and the shapes of the patterns

## **Convolutional Sparse Coding**

For a signal X, find the coding signal Z given a set of K patterns  $\mathbf{D}$ .

#### Optimization problem

Solve a  $\ell_1$ -regularized minimization problem

$$Z^* = \arg\min_{z} E(z) = \frac{1}{2} ||X - \sum_{k=1}^{K} z_k * \mathbf{D}_k||_2^2 + \lambda ||Z||_1,$$
 (2)

Existing algorithms do not scale well with the size of the signal X.

Feature Sign Search (FSS)

- [Grosse et al., 2007]
- Fast Iterative Soft Thresholding (FISTA)
- [Chalasani et al., 2013]
- Fast Convolutional Sparse Coding (FCSC)
  - [Bristow et al., 2013]

Coordinate Descent (CD)

[Kavukcuoglu et al., 2013]

## Coordinate Descent (CD)

Update the problem for one coordinate at each iteration.

The problem in one coordinate is:

$$e_{k,t}(y) = \frac{\|\mathbf{D}_k\|_2^2}{2} (y - \beta_k[t])^2 + \lambda |y|$$

with 
$$\beta_k[t] = ((X - \Phi_{k,t}(Z) * \mathbf{D}^T) * \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_k)[t].$$

Three algorithms based on this idea :

- Cyclic updates
- Random updates
- Greedy updates

[Friedman et al., 2007]

- [Nesterov, 2012]
- [Osher and Li, 2009]

Recent work shows it is more efficient to use greedy updates.

[Nutini et al., 2015]

For convolutional CD, we can use greedy updates :

$$z'_k = \frac{1}{\|\boldsymbol{D}_k\|_2^2} \mathsf{Sh}(\beta_k, \lambda),$$

with 
$$Sh(y, \lambda) = sign(y)(|y| - \lambda)_+$$
.

This can be done efficiently for this problem by maintaining  $\beta$ , with  $\mathcal{O}(\mathit{KS})$  operations. [Kavukcuoglu et al., 2013]

$$\beta_k^{(q+1)}[t] = \beta_k^{(q)}[t] - \mathcal{S}_{k,k_0}[t-t_0](z_{k_0}[t_0] - z'_{k_0}[t_0]),$$

with 
$$\mathcal{S}_{k,k_0}[t] = \sum_{\tau=0}^{S-1} \mathbf{D}_k[t+\tau] \mathbf{D}_{k_0}^T[\tau]$$
.

## Improving Convolutional Coordinate Descent(1/2)

This is not so efficient to only change one coordinate as updates only affect a small range of coefficients.

We could update M coefficients that are in disjoint neighborhoods in **parallel**.

**Issue :** Choose disjoint coordinates
Split the signal in M continuous chunks and perform updates :

- ▶ Use a lock to avoid updates that are too close,
- ▶ Use a parameter server to reject multiple updates.

[Scherrer et al., 2012, Bradley et al., 2011] [Yu et al., 2012, Low et al., 2012]

#### Is it necessary?

Consider the cost function 
$$E(z) = \frac{1}{2} ||X - \sum_{k=1}^{K} z_k * \mathbf{D}_k||_2^2 + \lambda ||z||_1$$

We denote  $\Delta E_0 = E(z^{(q+1)}) - E(z^{(q)})$  the update performed at step q for coefficient  $(k_0, t_0)$ .

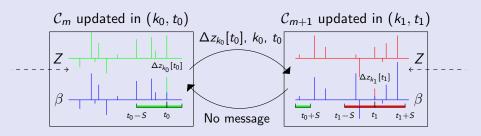
If we update simultaneously  $(k_0, t_0)$  and  $(k_1, t_1)$  coefficients, it can be shown that :

$$\Delta E_{0,1} = \underbrace{\Delta E_0 + \Delta E_1}_{\text{iterative steps}} - \underbrace{\mathcal{S}_{k_0,k_1}[t_1 - t_0]\Delta z_0 \Delta z_1}_{\text{interference}},$$

If interference are not too high, the updates can be asynchronous.

### **Distributed Convolutional Coordinate Descent (DICOD)**

Each core is responsible for the updates of a chunk of coefficients.



Retrieve the notification when possible to update  $\beta$ .

We denote:

$$C_{k_0k_1}[t_0-t_1] = \frac{S_{k_0,k_1}[t_0-t_1]}{\|\boldsymbol{D}_{k_0}\|_2\|\boldsymbol{D}_{k_1}\|_2}.$$

#### Theorem

We consider the following assumptions :

**H1**: If for all  $k_0, k_1, t_0, t_1$  such that  $t_0 - t_1 \neq 0$ ,  $|C_{k_0 k_1}[t_0 - t_1]| < 1$ .

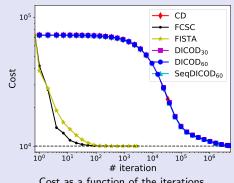
**H2**: If there exist  $A \in \mathbb{N}^*$  such that for all  $m \in \{1, \dots M\}$  and  $q \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_m$  is updated at least once between iteration q and q + A if the solution is not optimal for all coefficients assigned to  $\mathcal{C}_m$ .

Under these assumptions, the DICOD algorithm converges to the optimal solution  $z^*$  of 2.

#### Numerical convergence

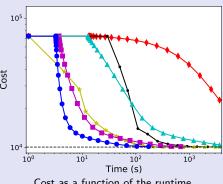
Artificial problems with D sinusoidal patterns of size W=200 in  $\mathbb{R}^7$ , Z gaussian bernouilli of length 600W and  $\epsilon$  a white noise such that :

$$X = \sum_{k=1}^{K} z_k * \boldsymbol{D}_k + \epsilon$$



# Iteration Time (s)

Cost as a function of the iterations Cost as a function of the runtime



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## **Complexity Analysis**

Computational cost of one update for greedy CD is linear in  $\mathcal{O}(T)$  :

- ▶ Compute potential updates  $z'_k[t]$ ,
- Find  $(k_0, t_0) = \arg\min_{k,t} |z'_k[t] z_k[t]|$ .

Computational cost for one update of DICOD is linear in  $\mathcal{O}(\frac{T}{M})$ :

Same steps but with a signal of size  $\frac{T}{M}$ .

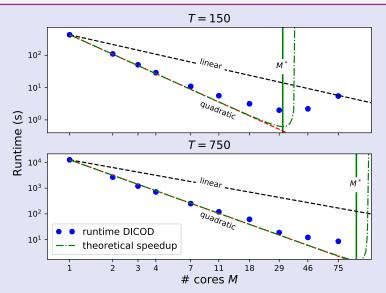
With an analysis of the interference probability, the convergence rate of DICOD with  ${\it M}$  cores can be bounded by :

$$\mathbb{E}[S_{dicod}] \geq M^2(1 - 2\alpha^2 M^2 \left(1 + 2\alpha^2 M^2\right)^{\frac{M}{2} - 1}),$$

$$\underset{\alpha \to 0}{\gtrsim} M^2(1 - 2\alpha^2 M^2 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^4 M^4)).$$
(3)

with  $\alpha^2 = \left(\frac{SM}{T}\right)^2$  the probability of interference.

- ▶ For  $\alpha$  close to 0, the speedup is quadratic.
- ▶ There is a sharp transition as  $\alpha$  grows that degrade the performance of the algorithm.



Runtime as a function of the number of cores

## Finishing the process in a linear grid?

Non trivial point: How to decide that the algorithm has converged?

- ▶ Neighbors paused is not enough!
- Define a master 0 and send probes. Wait for M probes return.
- Uses the notion of message queue and network flow. Maybe we can have better way?

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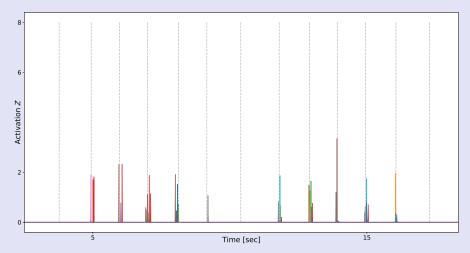
#### Protocol:

- ▶ Select 25 exercises and extract one step from each of them
- ▶ Encode other exercises using this pattern dictionary.

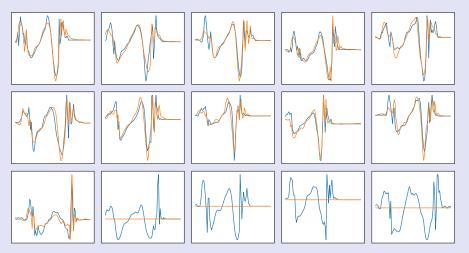
#### Details:

- Only used healthy patients in this study,
- ▶ Use the greedy CD to encode the signals and set  $\lambda = 5$ ,

## **Encoding** a walk signal

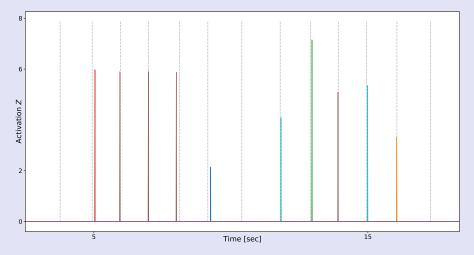


The activation are concentrated around the steps but there is some dispersion on multiple patterns.



Update of the dictionaries with 10 iterations of alternate minimization and FISTA updates for the dictionary.

## **Encoding** a walk signal



The activation are more concentrated and only activate one pattern.

What next?

- Find a good way to solve the dictionary learning problem,
- Change the penalization? (group sparse),
- ▶ Use the learned dictionary to extract meaningful features.

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