# Learning Recurring Patterns in Large Signals with Convolutional Dictionary Learning

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#### Studying brain activity through electromagnetic signals

- > Brain (electrical) activity produces an electromagnetic field.
- This can be measured with EEG or MEG.







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Time

Oscillations are believed to play an important role in cognitive functions.

Many studies rely on Fourier or wavelet analyses:

- Easy interpretation,
- Standard analysis *e.g.* canonical bands alpha, beta or theta.
   [Buzsaki, 2006]

However, some brain rhythms are not sinusoidal, e.g.mu-waves [Hari, 2006]

and filtering degrades waveforms



 $\Rightarrow$  Can we do better with data-driven approach?

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Convolutional Representation:

$$x^{n}[t] = \sum_{k=1}^{K} (z_{k}^{n} * d_{k})[t] + \varepsilon[t]$$

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#### Shift-invariant Patterns in images



Images also have shift-invariant patterns that we might want to detect.

**Convolutional Dictionary Learning (CDL)** [Grosse et al., 2007] For a set of N univariate signals  $x^n$ , solve

$$\min_{d_k, z_k^n} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \|x^n - \sum_{k=1}^K z_k^n * d_k\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^K \|z_k^n\|_1$$
(1)

**Hypothesis:** patterns  $d_k$  are not present everywhere in the signal. They are localized in time.

 $\Rightarrow$  Sparse activation signals z

**Extra hypothesis:** the patterns are in the  $\ell_2$ -ball:  $||d_k||_2^2 \leq 1$ .

The problem 1 is not jointly convex in  $z_k^n$ , and  $d_k$  it is convex in each block of coordinate.

**Alternate minimization** (*a.k.a.* Bloc Coordinate Descent):

- Z-step: given a fixed estimate of the atom, compute the activation signal z<sub>k</sub><sup>n</sup> associated to each signal X<sup>n</sup>.
- ▶ D-step: given a fixed estimate of the activation, update the atoms in the dictionary d<sub>k</sub>.

# Convolutional Sparse Coding with Locally Greedy Coordinate Descent (LGCD)

#### References

Moreau, T., Oudre, L., and Vayatis, N. (2018). DICOD: Distributed Convolutional Sparse Coding. In International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), pages 3626–3634, Stockohlm, Sweden. PMLR (80)

#### **Convolutional Sparse Coding**

N independent problem such that

$$\min_{z_k^n} E(z^n) = \frac{1}{2} \left\| x^n - \sum_{k=1}^K z_k^n * d_k \right\|_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^K \left\| z_k^n \right\|_1$$

This problem is convex in  $z_k$  and can be solved with different techniques:

- ► Greedy CD [Kavukcuoglu et al., 2010]
- ► Fista [Chalasani et al., 2013]
  - ADMM [Bristow et al., 2013]
- ► L-BFGS [Jas et al., 2017]
- $\Rightarrow$  These methods can be slow for long signals as the complexity of each iteration is at least linear in the length of the signal.

For the Greedy Coordinate Descent, only 1 coordinate is updated at each iteration:

1. The coordinate  $z_{k_0}[t_0]$  is updated to its optimal value  $z'_{k_0}[t_0]$  when all other coordinate are fixed:

$$z'_{k}[t] = \max\left(\frac{\beta_{k}[t] - \lambda}{\|d_{k}\|_{2}^{2}}, 0\right),$$
  
ith  $\beta_{k}[t] = \left[\left(X - \sum_{l=1}^{K} z_{l} * d_{l} + z_{k}[t]e_{t} * d_{k}\right) * d_{k}^{\dagger}\right][t]$ 

2. Greedy coordinate selection:

w

$$(k,t) = \operatorname*{argmax}_{(k,t)} |z_k[t] - z'_k[t]|$$

We introduced the LGCD method which is an extension of GCD.



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But the update itself has complexity  $\mathcal{O}(KL)$ 



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The coordinate to update is chosen greedily on a sub-domain  $\mathcal{C}_{\textit{m}}$ 

 $\mathcal{O}(\text{Coordinate selection}) = \mathcal{O}(\text{Coordinate Update})$ 

The overall iteration complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(KL)$  instead of  $\mathcal{O}(KT)$ .

 $\Rightarrow$  Efficient for sparse Z

#### Fast optimization

Comparison of the coordinate selection strategy for CD on simulated signals We set K = 10, L = 150,  $\lambda=0.1\lambda_{\rm max}$ 



# Distributed optimization for CSC

#### References

 Moreau, T. and Gramfort, A. (2019). Distributed Convolutional Dictionary Learning (DiCoDiLe): Pattern Discovery in Large Images and Signals. preprint ArXiv (to be submitted) The update of the W coordinates  $(k_w, \omega_w)_{w=1}^W$  with additive update  $\Delta Z_{k_w}[\omega_w]$  changes the cost by:



 $\Rightarrow$  If the updates are far enough, they can be considered as independent.



• Split the coordinates in continuous sub-segment  $S_w = \left\lceil \frac{(w-1)T}{W}, \frac{wT}{W} \right\rceil$ .



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This algorithm converges to the solution of the CSC for 1D signals but not for higher dimension signals such as images.

- Extension of DICOD for high dimensional signals.
- Use LGCD locally in each workers (better iteration complexity).
- ▶ Use Soft-locks to avoid interference (ensure convergence).

#### Distributed Convolutional Dictionary Learning (DiCoDiLe-Z)

 Update candidate ω<sub>0</sub> is independent of other workers as

$$\mathcal{V}(\omega_0)\subset \mathcal{S}_w$$



# Distributed Convolutional Dictionary Learning (DiCoDiLe-Z)

Update candidate ω<sub>1</sub>
 impacts S<sub>w+1</sub>

 $\mathcal{V}(\omega_1) \not\subset \mathcal{S}_w$ 

 It is accepted only is no better update is possible in the "soft-locked" area.

• Need to notify  $S_{w+1}$ .



# Distributed Convolutional Dictionary Learning (DiCoDiLe-Z)

- Updates in ω<sub>2</sub> need to notify worker w to maintain consistent estimate in the border zone B<sub>L</sub>(S<sub>w</sub>).
- Low communication: decentralized and below 1ko.



#### Numerical speed-up



Running time as a function fo the number of workers W.

# Rank-1 Constrained Convolutional Dictionary Learning

#### References

 Dupré la Tour, T., Moreau, T., Jas, M., and Gramfort, A. (2018). Multivariate Convolutional Sparse Coding for Electromagnetic Brain Signals. In Advances in Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), pages 3296–3306, Montreal, Canada The dictionary update is performed by minimizing

$$\min_{\|d_k\|_2 \le 1} E(\{d_k\}_k) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \sum_{n=1}^N \frac{1}{2} \|X^n - \sum_{k=1}^K z_k^n * d_k\|_2^2 \quad .$$
(2)

Computing  $\nabla_{d_k} E(\{d_k\}_k)$  can be done efficiently

$$\nabla_{d_k} E(\{d_k\}_k) = \sum_{n=1}^N (z_k^n)^{\gamma} * \left( x^n - \sum_{l=1}^K z_l^n * d_l \right) = \Phi_k - \sum_{l=1}^K \Psi_{k,l} * d_l \ ,$$

 $\Rightarrow$  Save with Projected Gradient Descent (PGD) with an Armijo backtracking line-search for the d-step [Wright and Nocedal, 1999].

We can just use multivariate convolution,

$$\underbrace{X[t]}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{P}} = \sum_{k=1}^{K} (z_{k} * \boldsymbol{D}_{k}) [t] = \sum_{k=1}^{K} \sum_{\tau=1}^{L} z_{k} [t-\tau] \underbrace{\boldsymbol{D}_{k}[\tau]}_{\in \mathbb{R}^{P}}$$

with:

- ▶ X a multivariate signal of length T in  $\mathbb{R}^P$
- ▶  $D_k$  a multivariate signal of length L in  $\mathbb{R}^P$
- $z_k$  a univariate activation signal of length  $\widetilde{T} = T L + 1$

However, this model does not account for the physics of the problem.

## EM wave diffusion

► Recording here with 8 sensors



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- Recording here with 8 sensors
- EM activity in the brain
- The electric field is spread linearly and instantaneously over all sensors (Maxwell equations)



Idea: Impose a rank-1 constraint on the dictionary atoms  $D_k$ 

To make the problem tractable, we decided to use auxiliary variables  $u_k$  and  $v_k$  s.t.  $D_k = u_k v_k \top$ .

$$\min_{u_{k},v_{k},z_{k}^{n}} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{1}{2} \left\| X^{n} - \sum_{k=1}^{K} z_{k}^{n} * (u_{k}v_{k}^{\top}) \right\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^{K} \|z_{k}^{n}\|_{1}, \qquad (3)$$
s.t.  $\|u_{k}\|_{2}^{2} \leq 1$ ,  $\|v_{k}\|_{2}^{2} \leq 1$  and  $z_{k}^{n} \geq 0$ .

Here,

• 
$$u_k \in \mathbb{R}^P$$
 is the spatial pattern of our atom  
•  $v_k \in \mathbb{R}^L$  is the temporal pattern of our atom

The problem is not jointly convex in  $u_k$  and  $v_k$ .

Use an alternate minimization on these two blocks.

The gradient can also be computed using sufficient statistics  $\phi$  and  $\psi$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{u_k} E(\{u_k\}_k, \{\mathbf{v}_k\}_k) &= \nabla_{D_k} E(\{u_k\}_k, \{\mathbf{v}_k\}_k) \mathbf{v}_k \quad \in \mathbb{R}^P \ , \\ \nabla_{v_k} E(\{u_k\}_k, \{\mathbf{v}_k\}_k) &= u_k^\top \nabla_{D_k} E(\{u_k\}_k, \{\mathbf{v}_k\}_k) \quad \in \mathbb{R}^L \ , \end{aligned}$$

Comparison with multivariate methods on somato dataset with T = 134,700, K = 8, P = 5 and L = 128



#### Pattern recovery

Patterns recovered with P = 1 and P = 5. The signals were generated with the two simulated temporal patterns and with  $\sigma = 10^{-3}$ .



#### Pattern recovery

Evolution of the recovery loss with  $\sigma$  for different values of P. Using more channels improves the recovery of the original patterns.



# Experiments on REal Data

Good time to wake-up if you got lost in the previous section!

#### MNE somatosensory data

A selection of temporal waveforms of the atoms learned on the MNE sample dataset.





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#### MNE somatosensory data

Atoms revealed using the MNE somatosensory data. Note the non-sinusoidal comb shape of the mu rhythm.



## Encoding HST images with CDL



Atoms  $32 \times 32$  learned with DiCoDiLe on image STScI-H-2016-39-a (resolution 6000 × 3664).

The atoms are order with  $||Z_k||_1$ .

**LGCD and DiCoDile:** Efficient algorithm to scale Convolutional Dictionary Learning to large signals.

**Rank-1 constraints:** Adapt the constraints to the type of patterns researched.

Ahead of us:

Scale invariant atoms?

Pattern detection with extra prior:

# Thanks!

Code available online:

alphacsc : alphacsc.github.io

DICOD (& DiCoDiLe soon) : github.com/tommoral/dicod

Slides are on my web page:

tommoral.github.io



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