# Dyni Odontocete Click Classification 2020 Challenge

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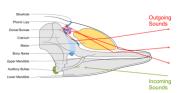
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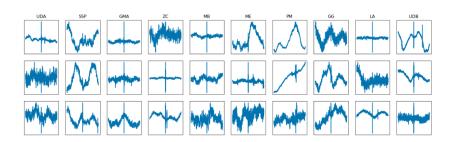
#### Introduction

- DOCC10 2020 Challenge by Université de Toulon
- Goal : Classify echolocation signals emitted by cetaceans called *clicks*
- 10 different species (GG, ME, SSP, MB, LA, UDA, GMA, ZC, UDB, PM)
- → Time series classification problem



Figure – Atlantic white-sided dolphin (LA)





- 11312 signals per class → Balanced
- Sampled at  $f_S = 200 \text{kHz}$  containing 8192 values each
- Centered on the click except for PM
- ullet Lots of ambient sounds o mainly low frequency noise

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### Finding the click center

We built features on **clicks only** by segmenting them. We designed the following method :

- Using a **high pass Butterworth filter** cutting off at 10 kHz, we remove most of the ocean background noise
- The high frequency white noise is reduced by applying a Wiener filter (N = 50)
- A Gaussian filter is applied to remove high frequency outliers  $(\sigma=1.0)$
- The largest amplitude of the resulting signal is considered to be the center of the click

#### Results of the detection

We estimate our method to be highly accurate on all classes.

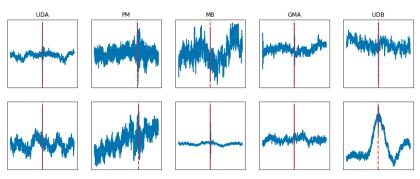
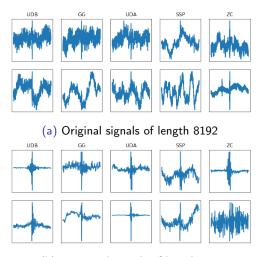


Figure - Click detection on raw signal (UDA, PM, MB, GMA, UDB)

### Segmentation

We extract a small window around the detected center.



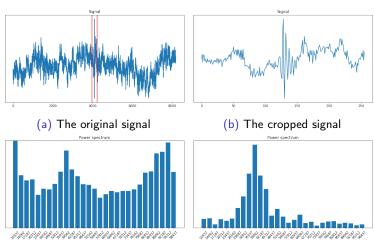
(b) Extracted signals of length 256

# Click's power spectrum estimation

We use the **Welch's method** to estimate the **power spectrum** on segmented clicks of size 512.

- Popular choice for noise reduction
- Gaussian window of size 64 with  $\sigma = 30$  (smooth)
- FFT length of 64, and segment length of 256

The resulting frequency bins are meaningful features!



(c) Power spectrum of the original signal

(d) Power spectrum of the cropped signal

Figure – Power spectrum features for a sample (UDA)

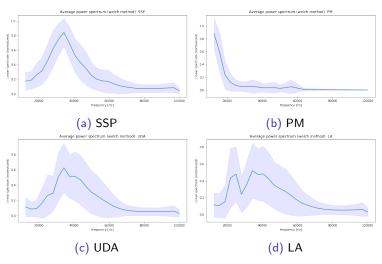


Figure - Power spectrum mean for 4 classes (std is highlighted)

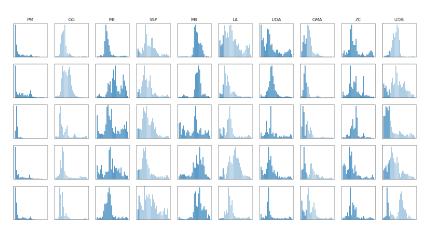


Figure – Power spectrum features (normalized)

#### Continuous Wavelet Transform

We explored different ways to represent the signal in a time-frequency or time-scale fashion.

- Spectrogram
- Mel-spectrogram
- MFCC
- CWT

After an exploration phase, we focused on CWT. We propose to extract a feature of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  from a scaleogram.

# Choosing the wavelet

#### We used the Complex Morlet wavelet

- Closely related to human hearing perception
- Good compromise between compacity and smoothness in both time and frequency domain
- Experimentally better

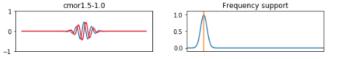


Figure – Real and complexe parts and frequency support of the Complex Morlet wavelet, centered at 1.5 Hz

### Scaleograms

We use scales matching (pseudo)-period from 1 to 20 time steps and center the click with a short window of size 128.

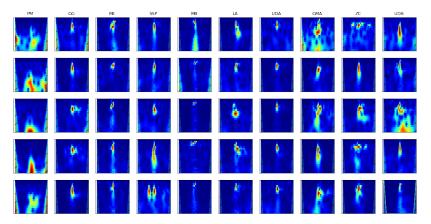


Figure - Normalized scaleograms (amplitude). Highest values are red.

#### Feature extraction

The idea is to extract the highlighted window **normalized** coordinates.

- We compute the time and scale histograms
- We find the largest local maximum for each histogram
- We extract its width at 75% for each histogram

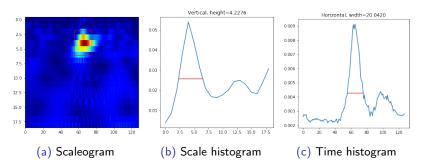


Figure - Scaleogram feature extraction

#### Limitations

We acknowledge some limitations with this feature :

- A single window is not well suited for some classes
- Does not take into account rotation or relative intensity

However, more meaningful features could be designed by fitting parametric densities (e.g. Gaussian) to the scaleograms.

# Logistic Regression

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- Ablation study :

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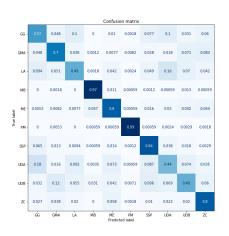
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### Mel-spectrograms

- Short-Time Fourier Transform on the uncropped signals
- Mapped on the mel basis with a bank of mel-filters
- $f_{\rm range} = [10, 100] \text{ kHz}, \ n_{\rm fft} = 256, \ n_{\rm mels} = 64$

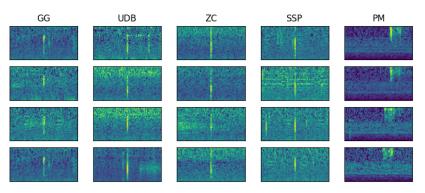


Figure – Mel-spec. obtained with Librosa [8]

#### Architecture

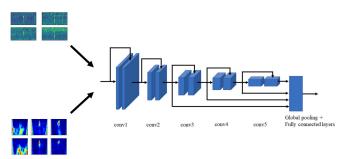


Figure - Model architecture.

- ullet Lots of samples available o CNN is a good candidate [1]
- Pretrained models can be used (Resnet, Inception, ...)

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- Large gap between validation and test
- No overfitting a priori + sample normalization
- PM class is not centered in test set (to be verified via submissions)

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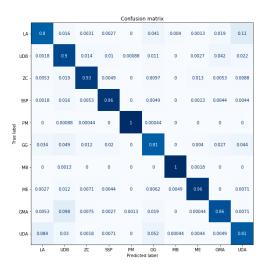


Figure - CNN confusion matrix

- PM and MB solved
- LA and UDA + ambiguous

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### Conclusion

- 1st on the academic leaderboard 78,97% (+7,7% wrt. baseline)
- Several improvements :
  - Build better time-frequency features
  - Use lower frequencies
  - Use the whole signal
  - Understand the validation/test discrepancy



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