A Sparse Signal Reconstruction Perspective for Direction-of-Arrival (DoA) Estimation

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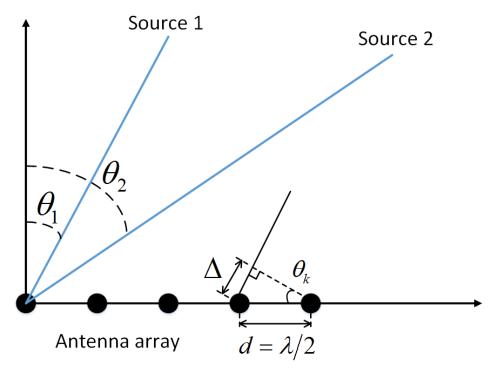
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Reference

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Direction of Arrival (DoA) Estimation



- Assumption: far-field narrowband signals
- Distance difference: $\Delta = d \sin \theta_k$
- Goal: estimate all possible DoAs

Signal Model

Source signal: $s_k(t) = f_k(t) e^{j\omega_k t}$, k = 1, 2, ..., K

Delayed signal at *m-th* antenna

$$s_{k}(t-(m-1)\Delta t) = f_{k}(t-(m-1)\Delta t)e^{j\omega_{k}(t-(m-1)\Delta t)}$$

$$\approx f_{k}(t)e^{j\omega_{k}(t-(m-1)\Delta t)}$$

$$= s_{k}(t)e^{-j\omega_{k}(m-1)\Delta t} \qquad \Delta t = d\sin\theta_{k}/c$$

$$= s_{k}(t)e^{-j(m-1)\frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}\frac{d\sin\theta_{k}}{c}} \qquad \omega = \frac{2\pi c}{\lambda}$$

$$= s_{k}(t)e^{-j(m-1)\frac{2\pi d\sin\theta_{k}}{\lambda}}$$

$$= s_{k}(t)a_{m}(\theta_{k}) \qquad m = 1, 2, ..., M$$

Signal Model

Received signal at *m-th* antenna:

$$y_m(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{\#of \ sources \ K} a_m(\theta_k) s_k(t) + n_m(t), \quad m = 1, 2, ..., M$$

$$\underline{measurement \ noise}$$

Received signal in vector form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{1}(t) \\ y_{2}(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_{M}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ e^{-j\varphi_{1}} & e^{-j\varphi_{2}} & \cdots & e^{-j\varphi_{K}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ e^{-j(M-1)\varphi_{1}} & e^{-j(M-1)\varphi_{2}} & \cdots & e^{-j(M-1)\varphi_{K}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} S_{1}(t) \\ S_{2}(t) \\ \vdots \\ S_{K}(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} n_{1}(t) \\ n_{2}(t) \\ \vdots \\ n_{M}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varphi_{k} = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \theta_{k}$$

$$\mathbf{y}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{n}(t)$$

Steering matrix: $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}(\theta_1), \mathbf{a}(\theta_2), ..., \mathbf{a}(\theta_K)]$

Sparse Signal Reconstruction Based DoA

Sparse representation of the signal vector $\mathbf{s}(t)$:

$$\mathbf{A}^{sparse} = [\mathbf{a}(\hat{\theta}_1), \mathbf{a}(\hat{\theta}_2), ..., \mathbf{a}(\hat{\theta}_{N_{\theta}})]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{\theta}} = [\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2, ..., \hat{\theta}_{N_{\theta}}] = [1^{\circ}, 2^{\circ}, 3^{\circ}, ..., 180^{\circ}]$$
 All possible directions

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}^{sparse} \mathbf{s}^{sparse}(t) + \mathbf{n}(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_{1}(t) \\ y_{2}(t) \\ \vdots \\ y_{M}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ e^{-j\hat{\varphi}_{1}} & e^{-j\hat{\varphi}_{2}} & \cdots & e^{-j\hat{\varphi}_{N_{\theta}}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ e^{-j(M-1)\hat{\varphi}_{1}} & e^{-j(M-1)\hat{\varphi}_{2}} & \cdots & e^{-j(M-1)\hat{\varphi}_{N_{\theta}}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} s_{1}^{saprse}(t) \\ s_{2}^{saprse}(t) \\ \vdots \\ s_{N_{\theta}}^{saprse}(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} n_{1}(t) \\ n_{2}(t) \\ \vdots \\ n_{M}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\varphi}_{k} = \frac{2\pi d}{\lambda} \sin \hat{\theta}_{k}$$

 $\mathbf{s}^{sparse}(t)$ is **sparse**(only a few # of non-zero entries)!!

Sparse Signal Reconstruction Based DoA

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}_{M \times N_{\theta}}^{sparse} \mathbf{s}^{sparse}(t) + \mathbf{n}(t)$$

- 1) $M < N_{\theta} \Rightarrow \text{ infinitely many solutions for } \mathbf{S}^{sparse}(t)$
- 2) Choose the sparse solutions:

$$\min_{\mathbf{s}^{sparse}, \lambda} \|\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{A}^{sparse} \mathbf{s}^{sparse}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}^{sparse}\|_{0}^{2}$$
 (OPT 1)



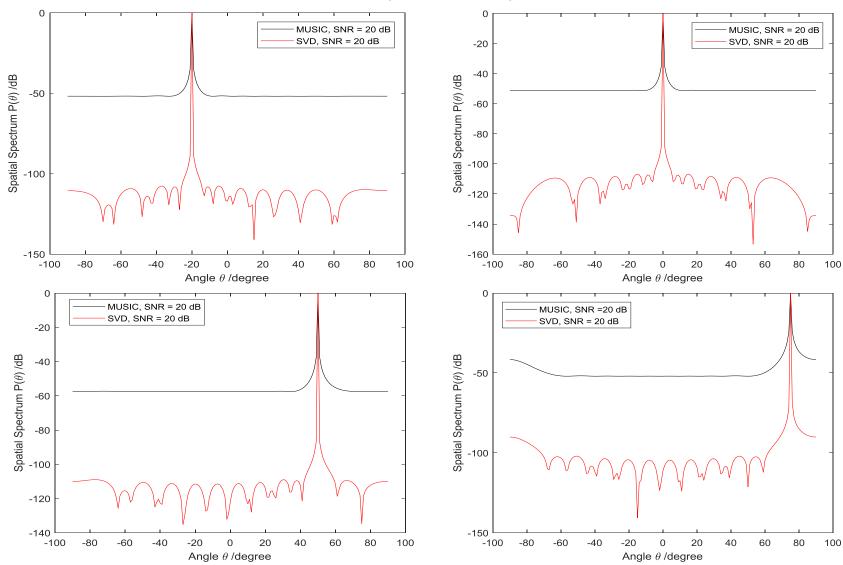
L-1 norm relaxation

$$\min_{\mathbf{s}^{sparse}, \lambda} \|\mathbf{y}(t) - \mathbf{A}^{sparse} \mathbf{s}^{sparse}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda \|\mathbf{s}^{sparse}\|_{1}^{2}$$
 (OPT 2)



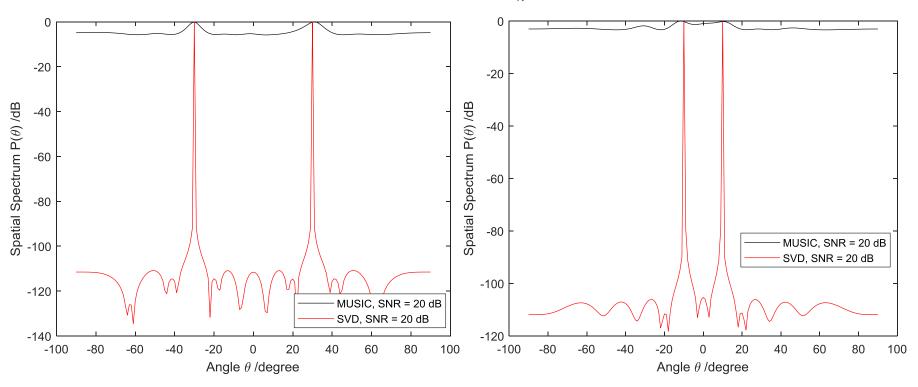
Second Order Cone (SOCP) opt. problem Solve by MATLAB CVX tool

DOA= -20, 0, 50, 75 respectively

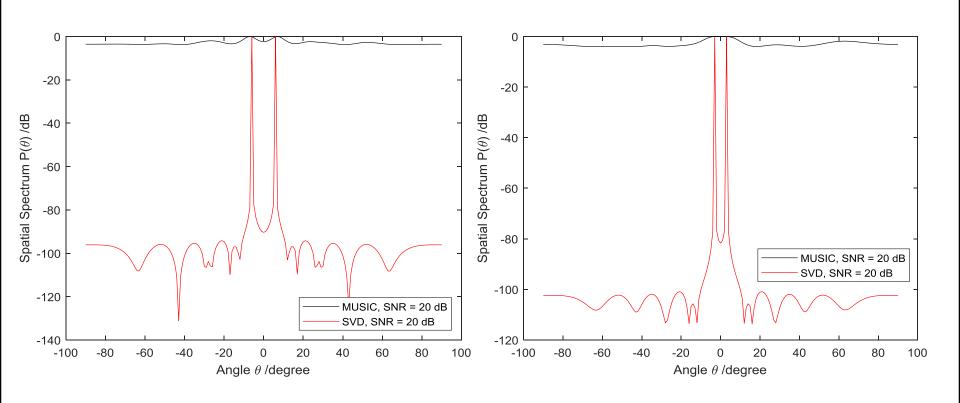


w=[pi/3, pi/3],SNR= 20 dB, DOA =[-30 30],[-10 10] respectively

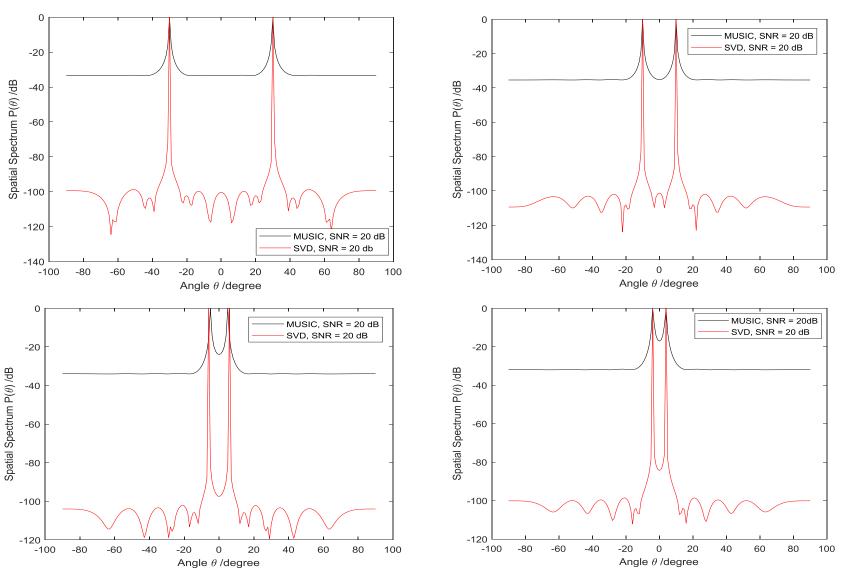
Frequency of the envelope signal $f_k(t)$



w=[pi/3, pi/3],SNR= 20 dB,DOA =[-5 5],[-4 4] respectively



w=[pi/3, pi/3.01],SNR= 20 dB ,DOA =[-30 30],[-10 10],[-5 5],[-4 4]



Conclusion

- The sparse signal reconstruction based DoA estimation approach has higher resolution (shaper peaks) than MUSIC algorithm.
- Sparse approach is more effective in dealing with correlated sources.
- Another advantage is that MUSIC requires the knowledge of the # of sources, but sparse approach doesn't.

