

# Binary Independent Component Analysis: Theory and Applications in Networking

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#### Independent Component Analysis (ICA)



**Cocktail Party Problem** 

 Given the linear mixture of some unknown variables

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\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G} \times \mathbf{y}
(data) (linear mixing matrix) (sources)
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- y: mutually independent variables
- Revealing underlying sources
- Application: Image processing, document databases, financial analysis ...



#### Binary ICA with OR Mixtures

• Consider the model where observations  $(\mathbf{x})$  are disjunctive mixtures of binary independent sources  $(\mathbf{y})$ 

$$x_i = \bigvee_{j=1}^n (g_{ij} \wedge y_j), \ i = 1, \dots, m$$

- ICA assumes continuous variables  $\rightarrow$  not directly applicable
- Binary Independent Component Analysis: From observation matrix  $\mathbf{x}$ , infer the mixing matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  and activity matrix  $\mathbf{y}$

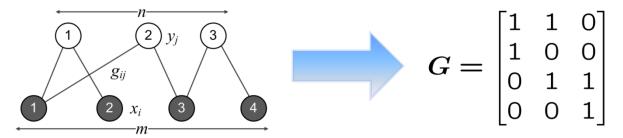
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#### Binary ICA Model

- *n* independent binary sources:  $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n]$
- m monitors:  $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m]$
- Binary mixing matrix:

$$G = g_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, i = [1, \dots, m], j = [1, \dots, n]$$



• Binary ICA model: X

$$= G \choose (unknown)$$



**y** (unknown)

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#### Binary ICA Inference Algorithm

- **Input**: Observation matrix X
- Output: Mixing matrix G, active probability p

Huy Nguyen and Rong Zheng, "Binary Independent Component Analysis with OR Mixtures", <a href="http://arxiv.org/abs/1007.0528">http://arxiv.org/abs/1007.0528</a>

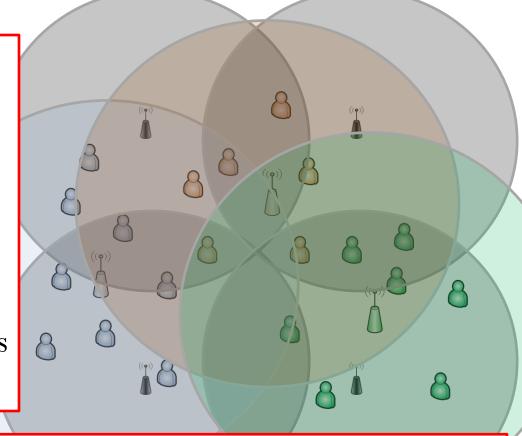


Problem: Maximize number of monitored users

x: binary observations from sniffers

y: user activities

**G**: relationship between sniffers and users



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### Application in Networking (2)

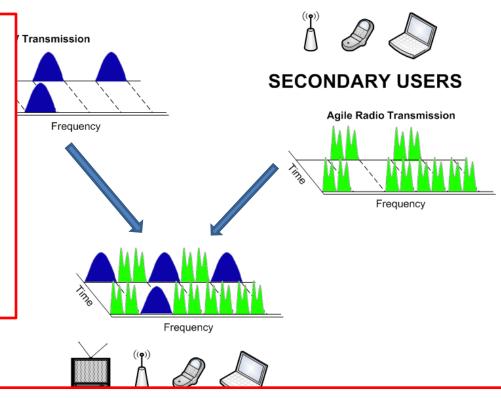
Problem: PU Separation

**x**: SU observations

y: PU activities

G: relationship between PUs

and SUs



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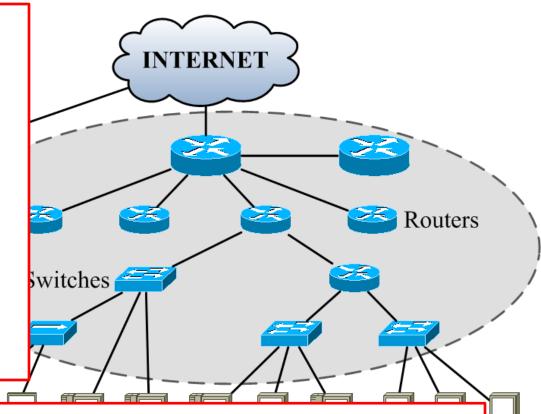
## Application in Networking (3)

Problem: Multicast topology inference

x: binary packet loss observations from monitors

y: link loss events

**G**: relationship between links and monitors



Huy Nguyen and Rong Zheng, "Revisiting Tree Topology Inference: A Binary Independent Component Analysis Approach", In submission to INFOCOM'11







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