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Speech Parameter Generation Algorithms for HMM

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SPEECH PARAMETER GENERATION BASED ON MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD CRITERION

- For a given continuous mixture HMM λ , we derive an algorithm for determining speech parameter vector sequence

$$O = [o_1, o_2, \dots, o_T]'$$

- Such that

$$P(O | \lambda) = \sum_{all\ Q} P(O, Q | \lambda)$$

is maximized where

$$Q = \{(q_1, i_1), (q_2, i_2), \dots, (q_T, i_T)\}$$

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- We assume that the speech parameter vector o_t consists of the static feature vector c_t and dynamic feature vectors $\Delta c_t, \Delta^2 c_t$

$$c_t = [c_t(1), c_t(2), \dots, c_t(M)]'$$

$$\Delta c_t = \sum_{\tau=-L_-^{(1)}}^{L_+^{(1)}} w^{(1)}(\tau) c_{t+\tau} \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta^2 c_t = \sum_{\tau=-L_-^{(2)}}^{L_+^{(2)}} w^{(2)}(\tau) c_{t+\tau} \quad (2)$$

Case 1: Maximizing $P(O | Q, \lambda)$ with respect to O

- The logarithm of $P(O | Q, \lambda)$ can be written as

$$\log P(O | Q, \lambda) = -\frac{1}{2} O^T U^{-1} O + O^T U^{-1} M + K$$

- Where

$$U^{-1} = \text{diag}[U_{q1,i1}^{-1}, U_{q2,i2}^{-1}, \dots, U_{qT,iT}^{-1}]$$

$$M = [\mu_{q1,i1}^T, \mu_{q2,i2}^T, \dots, \mu_{qT,iT}^T]$$

- $P(O | Q, \lambda)$ is maximized when $O = M$ without the conditions (1), (2)

$$O = M \Rightarrow \text{Max } P(O | Q, \lambda)$$

Case 1

- Conditions (1),(2) can be arranged in a matrix form

$$O = WC \quad (3)$$

- Where

$$C = [c_1, c_2, \dots, c_T]^T$$

$$W = [w_1, w_2, \dots, w_T]^T \quad w_t = [w_t^{(1)}, w_t^{(2)}, w_t^{(3)}]$$

$$w_t^{(n)} = [0_{M \times M}, \dots, 0_{M \times M}, w^{(n)}(-L_-^{(n)})I_{M \times M}, \dots, w^{(n)}(0)I_{M \times M}, \dots, w^{(n)}(L_+^{(n)})I_{M \times M}, \dots, 0_{M \times M}, \dots, 0_{M \times M}]^T, \quad n=0,1,2$$

Case 1

- Under the condition (3), maximizing $P(O|Q, \lambda)$ with respect to O is equivalent to that with respect to C

$$\frac{\partial \log P(WC | Q, \lambda)}{\partial C} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \left[-\frac{1}{2} [WC]^T U^{-1} [WC] + [WC]^T U^{-1} M + K \right]}{\partial C} = 0$$

$$W^T U^{-1} WC = W^T U^{-1} M^T \quad (4)$$

Case 1

- For direct solution of (4), we need $O(T^3M^3)$ operations
- To reduce computations Cholesky decomposition or the QR decomposition can be used
- A recursive algorithm can also be used for the computation of (4)

Recursive algorithm

$$b_j(\mathbf{o}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{c}_t; \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \mathbf{U}_j) \cdot \mathcal{N}(\Delta \mathbf{c}_t; \Delta \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Delta \mathbf{U}_j)$$

- maximizing $P(\mathbf{O} | \mathbf{Q}, \lambda)$

$$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{r}$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{U}^{-1} + \mathbf{W}'\Delta\mathbf{U}^{-1}\mathbf{W}$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{U}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{W}'\Delta\mathbf{U}^{-1}\Delta\boldsymbol{\mu}$$

- Replace the above equation by

$$\hat{\mathbf{R}}\hat{\mathbf{c}} = \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

$$\text{where } \hat{\mathbf{R}} = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{w}'$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{r}} = \mathbf{r} + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \Delta\mathbf{U}_{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_t}^{-1} - \Delta\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{q}_t}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \Delta\mathbf{U}_{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_t}^{-1}\Delta\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\hat{\mathbf{q}}_t} - \Delta\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{q}_t}^{-1}\Delta\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{q}_t}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = [0, \dots, 0, w(-L), \dots, w(0), \dots, w(L), 0, \dots, 0]'.$$

$\begin{matrix} 1 & & & t-L & & t & & t+L & & T \end{matrix}$

Recursive algorithm

To replace $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_{q_t}, \mathbf{U}_{q_t}\}$ with $\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\hat{q}_t}, \mathbf{U}_{\hat{q}_t}\}$

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{U}_{\hat{q}_t}^{-1} - \mathbf{U}_{q_t}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{U}_{\hat{q}_t}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\hat{q}_t} - \mathbf{U}_{q_t}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{q_t}$$

$$\mathbf{w} = [0, \dots, 0, \underset{1}{1}, 0, \dots, \underset{T}{0}]'.$$

Table 1: Summary of the proposed algorithm.

- Set \mathbf{D} , \mathbf{d} , \mathbf{w} by (23)–(25)
to replace $\{\Delta\mu_{q_t}, \Delta\mathbf{U}_{q_t}\}$ with $\{\Delta\mu_{\hat{q}_t}, \Delta\mathbf{U}_{\hat{q}_t}\}$.
- Set \mathbf{D} , \mathbf{d} , \mathbf{w} by (26)–(28)
to replace $\{\mu_{q_t}, \mathbf{U}_{q_t}\}$ with $\{\mu_{\hat{q}_t}, \mathbf{U}_{\hat{q}_t}\}$.

Substitute $\hat{\mathbf{c}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{P}}$ obtained by the previous iteration to \mathbf{c} and \mathbf{P} , respectively, and calculate

$$\boldsymbol{\pi} = \mathbf{w}'\mathbf{P}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\kappa} = \mathbf{D}^{-1} + \boldsymbol{\pi}\mathbf{w}$$

$$\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{w}\boldsymbol{\kappa}^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{P}} = \mathbf{P} - \mathbf{k}\boldsymbol{\pi}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{D}^{-1}\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{w}'\mathbf{c})$$

Recursive algorithm

- The overall procedure for parameter generation from HMMs is summarized as follows
 - Solve the set of equations $R_c = r$ for an initial state sequence, and obtain c and P
 - Replace the state q_t of a frame t with q'_t according to a certain strategy, and obtain c' and P' by using the algorithm
 - if the value of $\log P[q', O']$ is not smaller than that of $\log P[q, O]$, discard the replacement
 - Repeat 2 and 3 until a certain condition is satisfied.

Case 2: Maximizing $P(O, Q | \lambda)$ with respect to O and Q

- This problem can be solved by evaluating
$$\max_c P(O, Q | \lambda) = \max_c P(O | Q, \lambda) P(Q | \lambda) \quad \forall Q$$
- However this is impractical
- To control temporal structure of speech parameter sequence appropriately, HMMs should incorporate state duration densities

$$P(O, Q | \lambda) = P(O, i | q, \lambda) P(q | \lambda)$$

$$\log P(q | \lambda) = \sum_{n=1}^N \log p_{qn}(d_{qn})$$

Case 2: Maximizing $P(O, Q | \lambda)$ with respect to O and Q

- If we determine the state sequence q only by $P(q | \lambda)$ independently of O , maximizing $P(O, Q | \lambda) = P(O, i | q, \lambda)P(q | \lambda)$ with respect to O and Q is equivalent to maximizing $P(O, i | q, \lambda)$ with respect to O and I
- If we assume that state output probabilities are single-Gaussian, then the solution can be obtained as in case 1

Case 3: Maximizing $P(O|\lambda)$ with respect to O

- An auxiliary function of current parameter vector sequence O and new parameter vector sequence O' is defined by

$$Q(O, O') = \sum_{all\ Q} P(O, Q | \lambda) \log P(O', Q | \lambda) \quad (5)$$

- It can be shown that by substituting O' which maximizes $Q(O, O')$ for O , the likelihood increases unless O is a critical point of the likelihood

Case 3

- (5) can be written as

$$Q(O, O') = P(O | \lambda) \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} O'^T \overline{U^{-1}} O' + O'^T \overline{U^{-1}} \overline{M} + \overline{K} \right\}$$

- Where

$$\overline{U^{-1}} = \text{diag}[\overline{U_1^{-1}}, \overline{U_2^{-1}}, \dots, \overline{U_T^{-1}}]$$

$$\overline{U_t^{-1}} = \sum_{q,i} \gamma_t(q,i) U_{q,i}^{-1}$$

$$\overline{U^{-1}} \overline{M} = [\overline{U_1^{-1}} \mu_1^T, \overline{U_2^{-1}} \mu_2^T, \dots, \overline{U_T^{-1}} \mu_T^T]$$

$$\overline{U_t^{-1}} \mu_t = \sum_{q,i} \gamma_t(q,i) U_{q,i}^{-1} \mu_{q,i}$$

$$\gamma_t(q,i) = P(q_t = (q,i) | O, \lambda)$$

Case 3

- Under the condition

$$O' = WC'$$

- C' which maximizes $Q(O, O')$ is given by the following set of equations

$$W^T \overline{U^{-1}} WC' = W^T \overline{U^{-1}} M \quad (6)$$

- The above set of equations has the same form as case 1

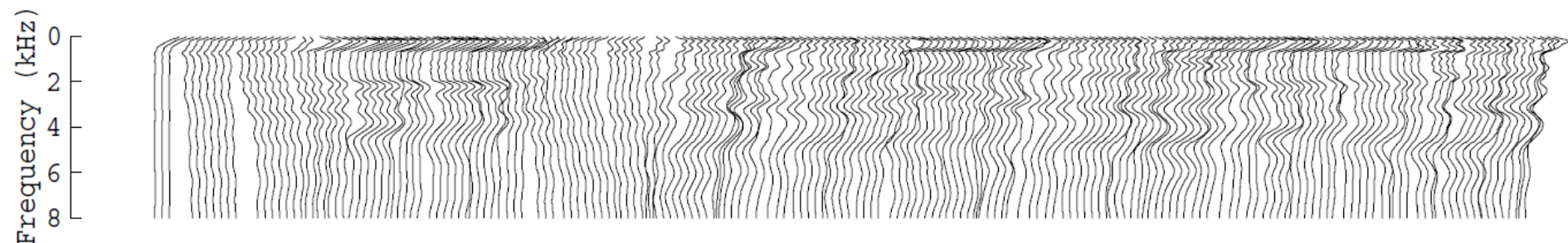
Case 3

- The whole procedure is summarized as follows:
 - Choose an initial parameter vector sequence C
 - Calculate $\Upsilon_t(q,i)$ with the forward-backward algorithm
 - Calculate U^{-1} and $U^{-1}M$ and solve (6)
 - Set $C = C'$ If a certain convergence condition is satisfied, stop; otherwise, go to Step 2

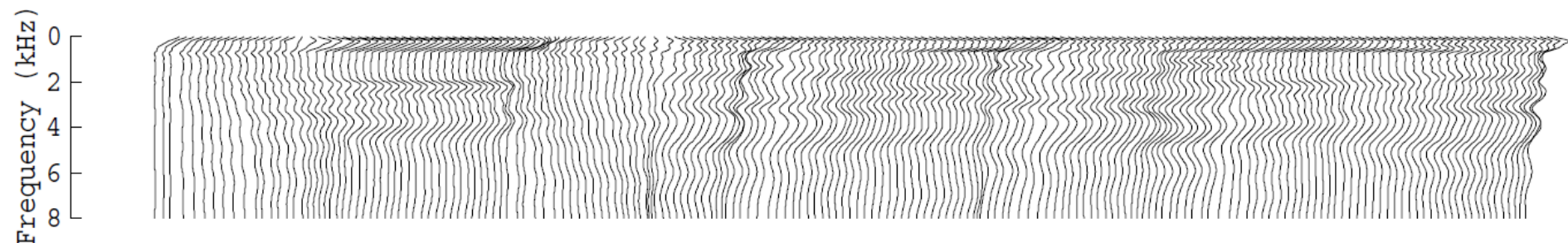
Effect of dynamic feature

- The parameter generation in the case 1, in which parameter sequence O maximizes $P(O|Q, \lambda)$ was considered
- State sequence Q was estimated from the result of Viterbi alignment of natural speech

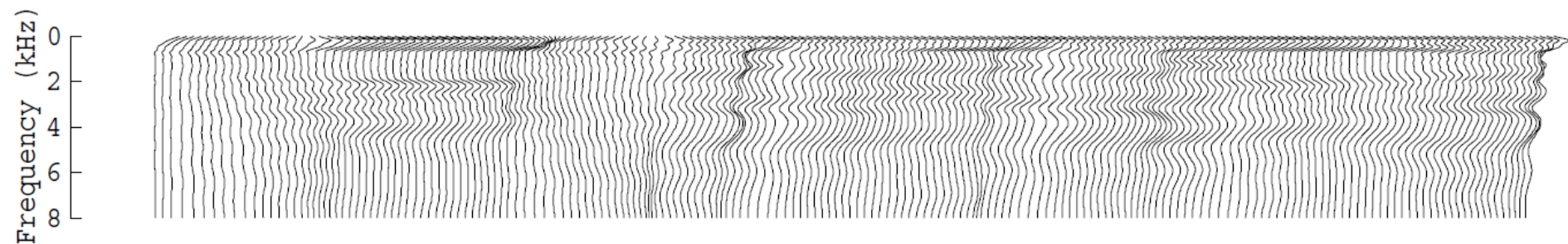
Effect of dynamic feature



(a) without dynamic features

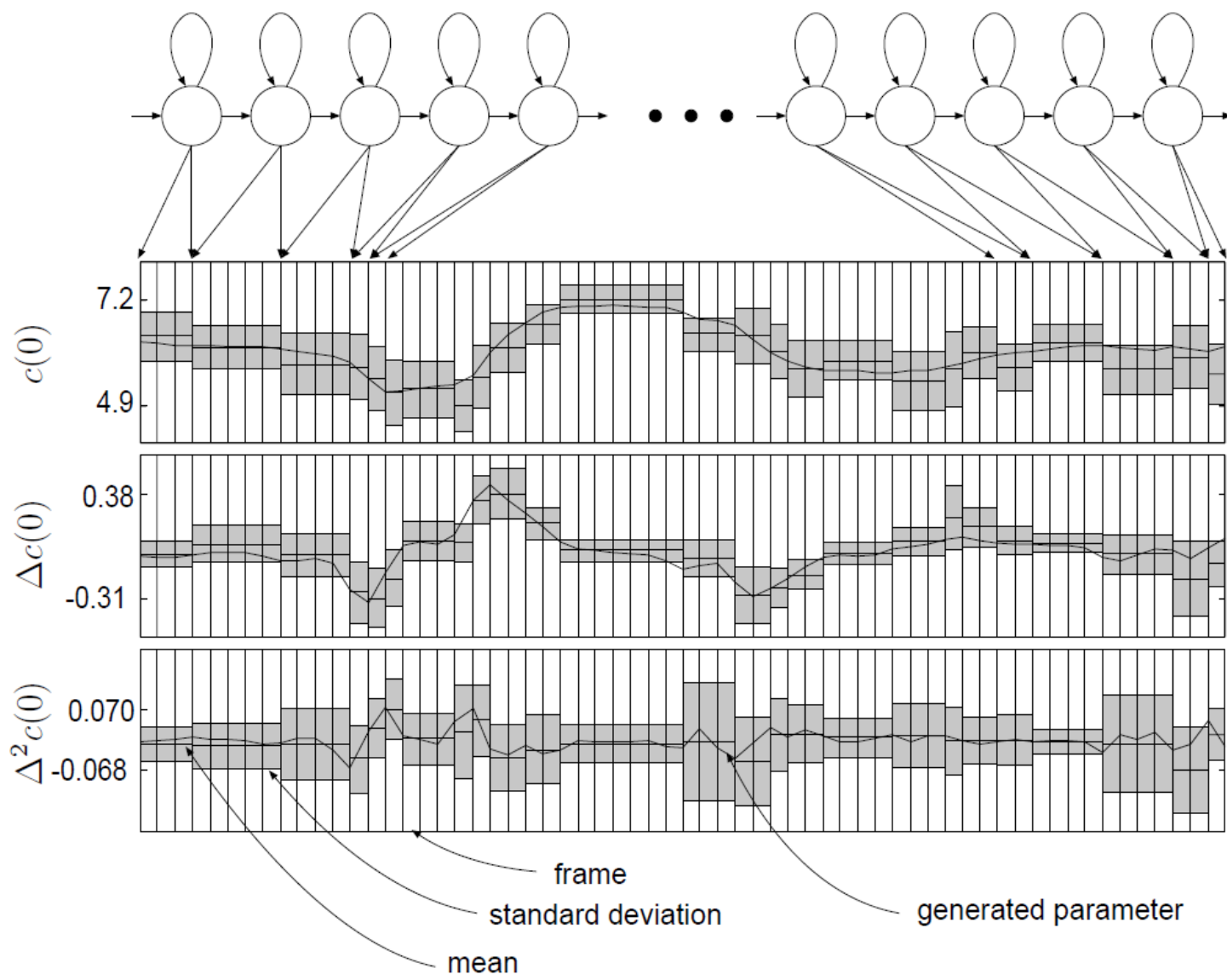


(b) with delta parameters



(c) with delta and delta-delta parameters

PDF and Generated Parameters



Parameter generation using multi-mixture HMM

