

A review of second-order blind identification methods

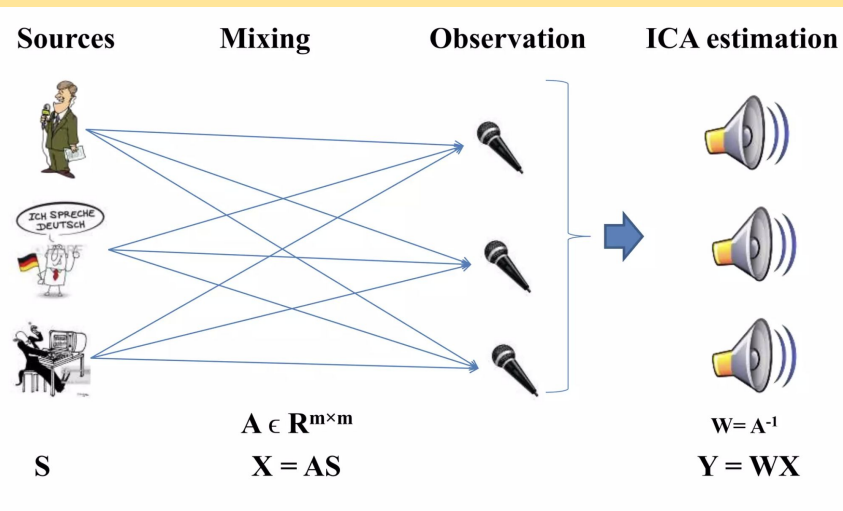
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BSS and ICA



$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}$$

Our goal is to find a transformation matrix \mathbf{W} such that:

$$\mathbf{W}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}$$

If $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}$, we can recover the original sources \mathbf{S} .

Essentially, we are seeking a transformation that satisfies:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{X}$$

Where \mathbf{y} is as close to \mathbf{S} as possible.

Some popular algorithms

- Infomax (Bell, A. J., & Sejnowski, T. J. (1995))

$$I(Y, X) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$

- FastICA: maximize non-Gaussianity

○ In [probability theory](#), the **central limit theorem (CLT)** states that, under appropriate conditions, the [distribution](#) of a normalized version of the sample mean converges to a [standard normal distribution](#).

- Joint Diagonalization(JD) based algorithm: **SOBI**, JADE(Joint Approximation Diagonalization of Eigen-matrices), etc..

$$C_{ML}^* = \sum_{l=1}^L \text{off}(\hat{R}_l)$$

Order statistics

- First order statistics(Mean):

$$\text{Mean} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

- **Second order statistics(variance):**

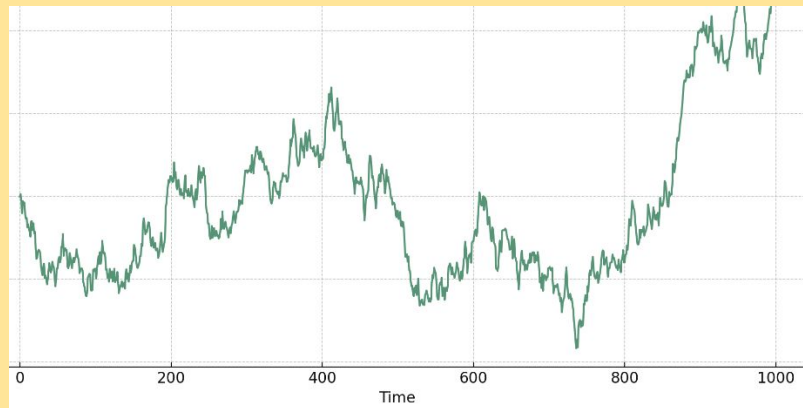
$$\text{Variance} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \text{Mean})^2$$

- Higher order statistics:

$$\text{Skew}(X) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^3}{\sigma^3}$$
$$\text{Kurt}(X) = \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - \mu)^4}{\sigma^4}$$

Intuition

- Assumption of ICA:
 - Source signals are mutually independent.
- Weaker Assumption of SOBI:
 - Sources signals are uncorrelated
 - Unique temporal structure of source signals.
 - a deterministic ergodic sequence



$$E[\mathbf{s}(t + \tau)\mathbf{s}(t)^*] = \text{diag} [\rho_1(\tau), \cdots, \rho_n(\tau)]$$

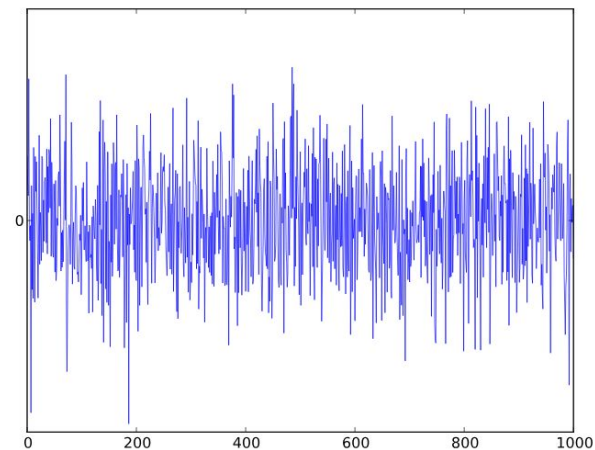
$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} T^{-1} \sum_{t=1, T} \mathbf{s}(t + \tau)\mathbf{s}(t)^* \\ & \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E[\mathbf{s}(t + \tau)\mathbf{s}(t)^*] \\ & = \text{diag} [\rho_1(\tau), \cdots, \rho_n(\tau)] \end{aligned}$$

SOBI

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

$$\mathbf{R}(0) = E[\mathbf{x}(t)\mathbf{x}^*(t)] = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{R}_s(0)\mathbf{A}^H + \sigma^2\mathbf{I} \quad (6)$$

$$\mathbf{R}(\tau) = E[\mathbf{x}(t+\tau)\mathbf{x}^*(t)] = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{R}_s(\tau)\mathbf{A}^H \quad \tau \neq 0 \quad (7)$$



Whitening

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

$$E[\mathbf{W}\mathbf{y}(t)\mathbf{y}(t)^*\mathbf{W}^H] = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{R}_y(0)\mathbf{W}^H = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^H\mathbf{W}^H = \mathbf{I}.$$

Equation (10) shows that if \mathbf{W} is a whitening matrix, then $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{A}$ is a $n \times n$ unitary matrix. It follows that for any whitening matrix \mathbf{W} , there exists a $n \times n$ unitary matrix \mathbf{U} such that $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}$. As a consequence, matrix \mathbf{A} can be factored as

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{W}^\# \mathbf{U} \quad (11)$$

$$\mathbf{z}(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{W}[\mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{n}(t)] = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{W}\mathbf{n}(t)$$

Joint Diagonalization(JD)

$$E[\mathbf{s}(t + \tau)\mathbf{s}(t)^*] = \text{diag} [\rho_1(\tau), \cdots, \rho_n(\tau)]$$

Consider a set $\mathcal{M} = \{\mathbf{M}_1, \cdots, \mathbf{M}_K\}$ of K matrices of size $n \times n$. The “joint diagonality” (JD) criterion is defined, for any $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{V} , as the following nonnegative function of \mathbf{V} :

$$\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{M}, \mathbf{V}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{k=1, K} \text{off}(\mathbf{V}^H \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{V}). \quad (20)$$

Uniqueness of Joint Diagonalization

Theorem 3—Essential Uniqueness of Joint Diagonalization:

Let $\mathcal{M} = \{\mathbf{M}_1, \dots, \mathbf{M}_K\}$ be a set of K matrices where, for $1 \leq k \leq K$, matrix \mathbf{M}_k is in the form $\mathbf{M}_k = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}_k\mathbf{U}^H$ with \mathbf{U} a unitary matrix, and $\mathbf{D}_k = \text{diag}[d_1(k), \dots, d_n(k)]$. Any joint diagonalizer of \mathcal{M} is essentially equal to \mathbf{U} if and only if

$$\forall 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n \quad \exists k, 1 \leq k \leq K \quad d_i(k) \neq d_j(k). \quad (21)$$

The sufficiency of (21) is established by proving that any linear combination (with at least two nonzero factors) of the vectors $\mathbf{u}_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ cannot be a common eigenvector of the matrices $\mathbf{M}_k, k = 1, \dots, K$:

Let $\mathbf{v} = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \alpha_i \mathbf{u}_i$ be a common eigenvector of the matrices $\mathbf{M}_k, k = 1, \dots, K$, and assume, for example, that $\alpha_1 \neq 0$. According to (21), for any index $i, 1 < i \leq n$, there exists an index k such that $d_1(k) \neq d_i(k)$. For this index k , we have by hypotheses

$$\mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{v} = \lambda_k \mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_k \alpha_j \mathbf{u}_j$$

and

$$\mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{v} = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j \mathbf{M}_k \mathbf{u}_j = \sum_{j=1}^n \alpha_j d_j(k) \mathbf{u}_j.$$

By identification, we have $\alpha_j[d_j(k) - \lambda_k] = 0$ for $1 \leq j \leq n$. Since $\alpha_1 \neq 0$ and $d_1(k) \neq d_i(k)$, this leads to $\lambda_k = d_1(k)$ and $\alpha_i = 0$. Q.E.D.

Next, we establish the necessity of (21). Assume that there exists a pair (i, j) such that $d_i(k) = d_j(k)$ for $k = 1, \dots, K$. Then, any linear combination of the vectors \mathbf{u}_i and \mathbf{u}_j is a common eigenvector of the matrices $\mathbf{M}_k, k = 1, \dots, K$. Q.E.D.

Steps of SOBI

- 1) Estimate the sample covariance $\hat{\mathbf{R}}(0)$ from T data samples. Denote by $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ the n largest eigenvalues and $\mathbf{h}_1, \dots, \mathbf{h}_n$ the corresponding eigenvectors of $\hat{\mathbf{R}}(0)$.
- 2) Under the white noise assumption, an estimate $\hat{\sigma}^2$ of the noise variance is the average of the $m - n$ smallest eigenvalues of $\hat{\mathbf{R}}(0)$. The whitened signals are $\mathbf{z}(t) = [z_1(t), \dots, z_n(t)]^T$, which are computed by $z_i(t) = (\lambda_i - \hat{\sigma}^2)^{-(1/2)} \mathbf{h}_i^* \mathbf{x}(t)$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. This is equivalent to forming a whitening matrix by

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}} = [(\lambda_1 - \hat{\sigma}^2)^{-(1/2)} \mathbf{h}_1, \dots, (\lambda_n - \hat{\sigma}^2)^{-(1/2)} \mathbf{h}_n]^H.$$

- 3) Form sample estimates $\hat{\mathbf{R}}(\tau)$ by computing the sample covariance matrices of $\mathbf{z}(t)$ for a fixed set of time lags $\tau \in \{\tau_j | j = 1, \dots, K\}$.
- 4) A unitary matrix $\hat{\mathbf{U}}$ is then obtained as joint diagonalizer of the set $\{\hat{\mathbf{R}}(\tau_j) | j = 1, \dots, K\}$.
- 5) The source signals are estimated as $\hat{\mathbf{s}}(t) = \hat{\mathbf{U}}^H \hat{\mathbf{W}} \mathbf{x}(t)$, and/or the mixing matrix \mathbf{A} is estimated as $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \hat{\mathbf{W}}^\# \hat{\mathbf{U}}$.

Second Order Blind Identification (SOBI)

- Differences in the spectral density and **autocorrelation function** of the source signals.(1987, Fety)
- Algorithm for multiple unknown signals extraction (AMUSE)(1990)
- SOBI uses multi cross-autocovariance matrix for JD.(1997)

Limitations

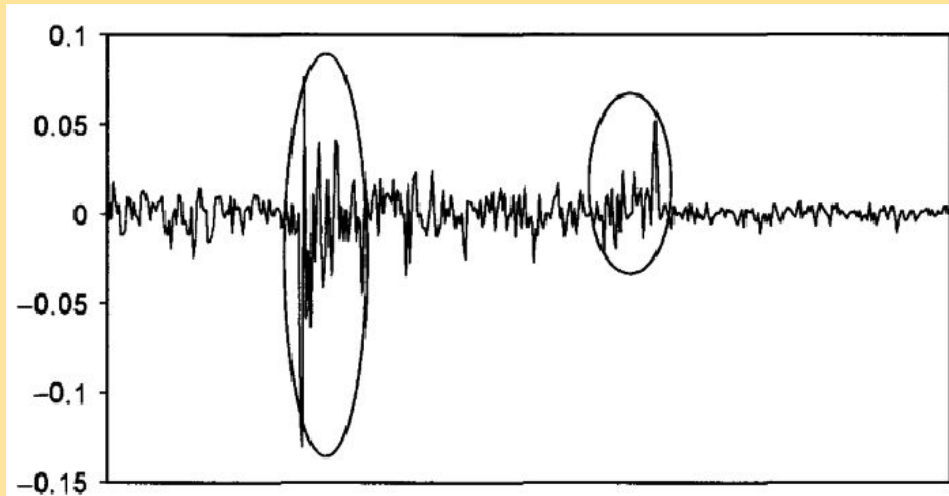
- Selection of time lags.
- Joint diagonalization performance.
- The method does not work well when the volatility cannot be considered as fixed throughout the time series.
- The mixing procedure is assumed to stay constant all the time.
- Multidimensional source signals
- Robustness to outlier

Source signal with volatility clustering, vSOBI

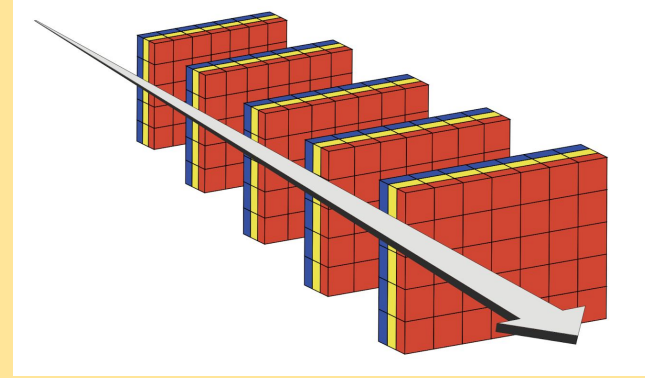
- Stronger assumption(mutual independent)

$$\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}} \sum_{i=1}^p \left(\mathbb{E} \left(G(\mathbf{u}_i^{\top} \mathbf{x}_{t+\tau}^{st}) G(\mathbf{u}_i^{\top} \mathbf{x}_t^{st}) \right) - \mathbb{E} \left(G(\mathbf{u}_i^{\top} \mathbf{x}_t^{st}) \right) \mathbb{E} \left(G(\mathbf{u}_i^{\top} \mathbf{x}_{t+\tau}^{st}) \right) \right)^2,$$

where G is any twice continuously differentiable function.



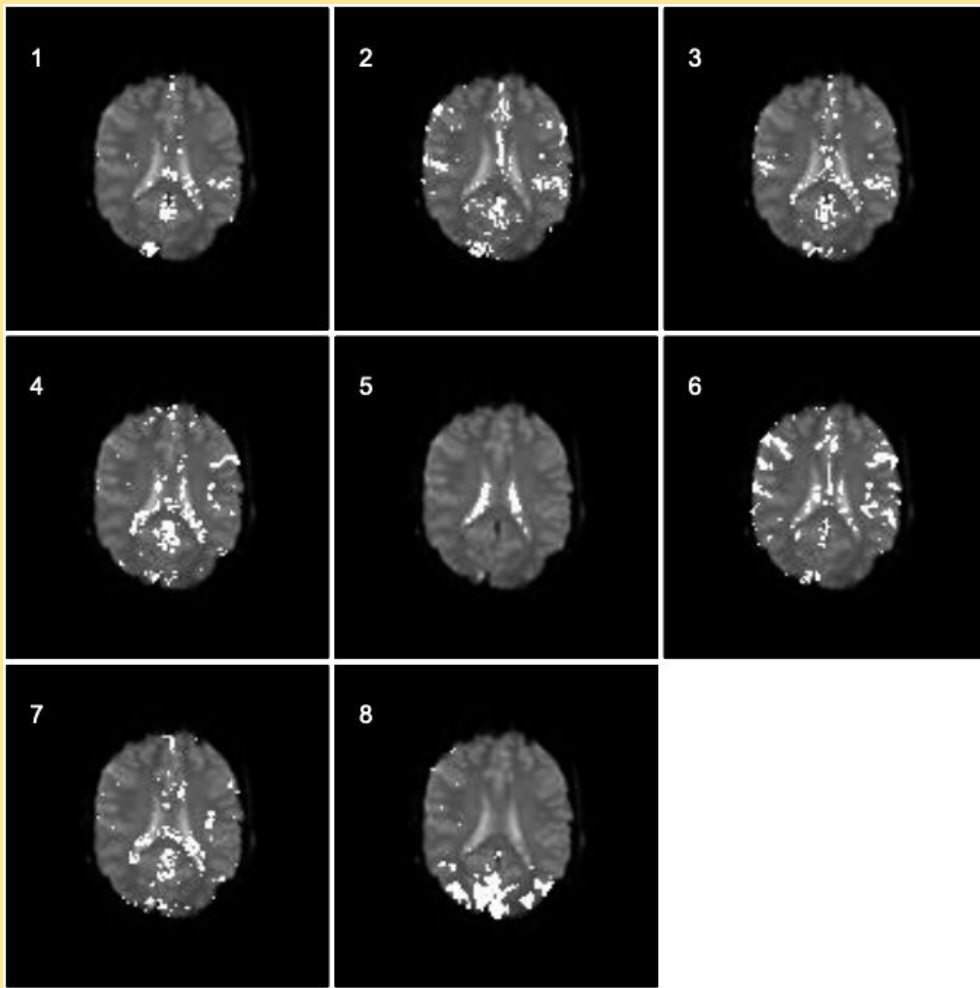
Multidimension SOBI (mdSOBI)



$$\text{Cov}_{\tau}(\mathbf{x}_t) = E(\mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{x}'_{t+\tau}) = E\left(\mathbf{x}_{t_1, \dots, t_m} \mathbf{x}'_{t_1 + \tau_1, \dots, t_m + \tau_m}\right),$$

$$\text{Cov}_{\tau}^m(\mathbb{X}_t) = \frac{1}{\rho_m} E\left(\mathbf{X}_t^{(m)} \left(\mathbf{X}_{t+\tau}^{(m)}\right)'\right)$$

$$\sum_{\tau \in \mathcal{T}^m} \|\text{diag}(\mathbf{U} \text{Cov}_{\tau}^m(\mathbb{X}_t^{st}) \mathbf{U}')\|^2$$



fMRI data were recorded from six subjects (3 female, 3 male, age 20–37) performing a visual task. In five subjects, five slices with 100 images ($TR/TE = 3000/60$ msec) were acquired with five periods of rest and five photic stimulation periods with rest. Simulation and rest periods comprised 10 repetitions each, i.e. 30s. Resolution was $3 \times 3 \times 4$ mm.

Robust SOBI

Replace autocovariance matrix as a **sign** autocovariance。 SAM-SOBI

$$\mathbf{x}_t^{st} = \text{SCov}(\mathbf{x}_t)^{-1/2}(\mathbf{x}_t - \boldsymbol{\mu}_S), \quad (20)$$

$$\text{SCov}_\tau = E \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}_t}{\|\mathbf{x}_t\|} \frac{\mathbf{x}'_{t+\tau}}{\|\mathbf{x}_{t+\tau}\|} \right)$$

Ilmonen et al. (2015) proposed an eSAM-SOBI method,

the sample mean and the sample covariance matrix in (20) are replaced by the Hettmansperger –Randles estimates of location and scatter (Hettmansperger & Randles, 2002)

Application on ECG

