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# Minimax Optimal Sparse Signal Recovery With Poisson Statistics

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- Goal: Derive bounds on the  $\ell_2$  recovery error of the sparse recovery problem with Poisson noise
- Setup: Observations  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  modeled as

$$y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_{0,i} + \mathbf{a}_i^\top \mathbf{w}^*), \quad i \in [n],$$

where  $\lambda_{0,i}$  : rate of background Poisson noise

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{a}_1^\top \\ \vdots \\ -\mathbf{a}_n^\top \end{bmatrix} : n \times p \text{ sensing matrix}$$

$\mathbf{w}^*$  : parameter to be estimated,  $k$ -sparse.

- Contributions:

- Upper bound: based on analysis of an  $\ell_1$ -constrained Maximum-Likelihood estimator

$$\hat{\mathbf{w}} = \arg \min_{\sum_i w_i \leq s; \forall i, w_i \geq 0} Q(\mathbf{w}),$$

where

$$Q(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n -y_i \log(\lambda_{0,i} + \mathbf{a}_i^\top \mathbf{w}) + \lambda_{0,i} + \mathbf{a}_i^\top \mathbf{w}.$$

- Lower bound: using Fano's method

# Recursive Recovery of Sparse Signal Sequences from Compressive Measurements: A Review

*N. Vaswani and J. Zhan*

- Goal: Recursive dynamic recovery of sparse signal sequences  
Applications in MRI, audio reconstruction

- Setup:

- MMV setting, support set of the signals varies with time

$$y_t = A_t x_t + w_t,$$

with  $A_t \in \mathbb{R}^{n_t \times m}$  and noise  $w_t$  bounded.

- Slow support change  $\equiv$  Partial support knowledge

$$\text{True support, } \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{T} \cup \Delta_u \setminus \Delta_e,$$

where

$\mathcal{T}$ : erroneous support

$\Delta_u = \mathcal{N} \setminus \mathcal{T}$ : set of missing support entries

$\Delta_e = \mathcal{T} \setminus \mathcal{N}$ : set of extra entries in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

Solution using Least-Squares CS-Residual, Modified-CS, Weighted- $\ell_1$

## ■ Contributions

- Reformulation of the recursive recovery problem as recovery with partial support knowledge
- Recursive dynamic versions of previously known algorithms

# Type I and Type II Bayesian Methods for Sparse Signal Recovery Using Scale Mixtures

*R. Giri and B. D. Rao*



- Power Exponential Scale Mixture (PESM) family of distributions to model sparsity-inducing priors
- PESM family can be represented as

$$p(x) = \int p(x/\gamma)p(\gamma)d\gamma = \int PE(x; p, \gamma)p(\gamma)d\gamma,$$

where

$$PE(x; p, \gamma) = \frac{pe^{-\left(\frac{|x|}{\gamma}\right)^p}}{2\gamma\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right)}.$$

For example,  $p = 1$  gives the Laplacian distribution.

## ■ Contributions

- Introduce the PESM family—can be used to represent several sparsity-promoting distributions.
- Establish connections between SSR algorithms and PESM framework. In particular, Reweighted  $\ell_1$  minimization  $\equiv$  MAP estimation using generalized t-distribution.
- Derive EM inference procedure for PESM family.

## Other interesting papers

- Iterative Bayesian Reconstruction of Non-IID Block-Sparse Signals. *M. Korki, J. Zhang, C. Zhang, and H. Zayyani*
- Distributed Recovery of Jointly Sparse Signals Under Communication Constraints. *S. M. Fosso, J. Matamoros, C. Anton-Haro, and E. Magli*
- Optimal Joint User Allocation and Multi-Pattern Resource Allocation in Heterogeneous Networks. *Q. Kuang, W. Utschick, and A. Dotzler*
- Compressed Sensing with Basis Mismatch: Performance Bounds and Sparse-Based Estimator. *S. Bernhardt, R. Boyer, S. Marcos, and P. Larzabal*