

# A Novel Sparse Bayesian Algorithm for Recovery of Spatially Correlated Sparse Vectors

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# Recap

# Multiple Measurements

## Multiple Signal Realizations

$$\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x}_i + \mathbf{w}_i, \quad i = \{1, 2, \dots, L\} \quad (1)$$

where,

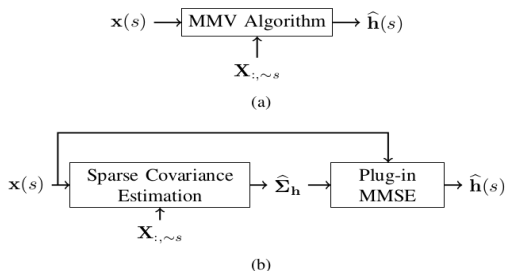
- $\mathbf{A}_i \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times N}, \forall i$  with  $M \leq N$
- $\mathbf{w}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}) \quad \forall i$
- $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{W}$

$$p(\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}, \sigma^2) = \prod_{l=1}^L \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{y}_l; \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_l, \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_M).$$

- Signal design:  $\mathbf{x}_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{0}, \Sigma)$

# Summary

- Decoupling property: Covariance Estimation and Signal Recovery
- Advantage in exploiting correlation
- Sample Covariance: Samples of  $O(N)$  even with  $N$  measurements
- Exploit structure in Covariance matrix (Eg. Masked Sample covariance)



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**Figure.** (a) Generic MMV algorithm, (b) Decomposition of MMV into Covariance Estimation and plug-in MMSE estimator

<sup>1</sup>Haghighatshoar et al, 2019

Prior design

# Prior models

## Generative model for $\mathbf{x}$ (Structure of $\Sigma$ )

- No spatial correlation
  - Diagonal covariance matrix
  - Few non-zero diagonals: Sparse
- Spatial correlation (Intra-vector correlation)
  - Non-diagonal covariance matrix
  - Toeplitz, Compound symmetry, Autoregressive etc
  - $K \times K$  non-zero sub matrix: Sparse
  - Block sparse structure

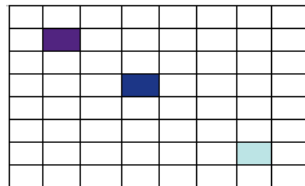


Figure. Diagonal Covariance

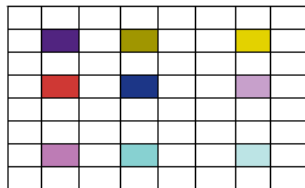


Figure. Covariance of sparse signals with spatial correlation

# Correlation matrices

## Correlation vs Covariance matrix

- Diagonal entries of correlation matrices are equal to 1
- Non-diagonal entries specify correlation coefficient
- Does not consider the effect of different variances of each index

## Models for Correlation matrix $\mathbf{U}$

- Compound Symmetry or Uniform correlation model

$$\mathbf{U}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ \rho & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- Diversity reception system for uniformly correlated Rayleigh fading channel <sup>2</sup>

- Auto-regressive or Exponential correlation model

$$\mathbf{U}_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \\ \rho^{|i-j|} & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- mmWave Massive MIMO channel with correlated Rayleigh fading <sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup>Ranjan K Mallick, 2007

<sup>3</sup>Samimi, et.al., 2016



# Building covariance matrices

## Covariance model

- $p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{U}) = \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma)$
- Hyper-parameter for variance  $\boldsymbol{\gamma} = [\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n]^T$  with  $\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})$
- $\rho_{xy} = \frac{\text{Cov}(x,y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$
- $(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma)_{ij} = \sqrt{\gamma_i} \sqrt{\gamma_j} \mathbf{U}_{ij}$   
 $\implies \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma = \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{U} \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{\frac{1}{2}}$
- $\lambda$  as hyper-parameter for noise variance  $\sigma^2$

# Bayesian inference

# Cost function

- Estimation of hyper-parameters  $\theta = \{\gamma, \lambda\}$
- Marginalized pdf:  $p(\mathbf{y}|\theta) = \int_{\mathbf{x}} p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \lambda) p(\mathbf{x}|\gamma, \mathbf{U}) \mu d\mathbf{x}$

$$\Rightarrow p(\mathbf{y}|\theta) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{M/2}} \frac{1}{|\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^H \Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1} \mathbf{y}\right)$$

$$\text{where } \Sigma_{\mathbf{y}} = \left[ \frac{\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}[\lambda \Sigma_{\gamma}^{-1} + \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A}] \mathbf{A}^H}{\lambda} \right]^{-1} = \lambda \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A} \Sigma_{\gamma} \mathbf{A}^H$$

- Evidence maximization of  $\theta$ : Maximizing  $p(\mathbf{y}|\theta)$
- Alternatively, minimizing

$$L(\gamma, \mathbf{U}, \lambda) = -\log(p(\mathbf{y}|\theta)) = \frac{1}{2} \log(|\Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}|) + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}^H \Sigma_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

# Expectation-Maximization

- Special case of Majorization Minimization (MM) algorithms
- Local maximum likelihood parameters
- Set of incomplete observed data ( $\mathbf{y}$ ) assumed to be generated from a specific model

## Algorithm

- 1 Consider set of starting parameters.
- 2 Expectation-step: Estimate the variables using the observed data
- 3 Maximization-step: Use complete data ( $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}$ ) obtained in E-step to update parameters or hypothesis
- 4 Check whether values are converging or not

## Analytic expression

$$\theta_{new} = \arg \max_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \theta_{old}} [\log(p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}|\theta))]$$

## E-Step

## Posterior distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \theta) = \mathcal{CN}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta)$$

where,  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta = (\frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma^{-1})^{-1}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta = \frac{1}{\lambda} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y}$ .

## Expectation step

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\theta_{old}, \theta) &= \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \theta_{old}} [\log(p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}|\theta))] = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \theta_{old}} [\log(p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{U}))] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y}, \theta_{old}} [\log(p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}, \lambda))] \\ &= Q_1(\theta_{old}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{U}) + Q_2(\theta_{old}, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

where,

$$Q_1(\theta_{old}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \mathbf{U}) = c - \frac{1}{2} \log(|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma|) - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\gamma^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{old} \right],$$

$$Q_2(\theta_{old}, \lambda) = c - \frac{M}{2} \log(\lambda) - \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{2\lambda} + \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}_\theta^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y}}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{2\lambda} \text{Tr} \left[ \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{old} \right],$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{old} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta_{old}} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta_{old}} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\theta_{old}}^H$ .

Optimality condition

## Gamma update

$$\gamma^* = \arg \max_{\gamma} Q_1(\theta_{old}, \gamma)$$

## Optimality condition

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \left( \log |\mathbf{\Gamma}| + \log |\mathbf{U}| + \text{Tr} \left[ \left( \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right) \mathbf{\Sigma}_{old} \right] \right)}{\partial \gamma_i} \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma_i} - \text{Tr} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{2\gamma_i^{\frac{3}{2}}} \mathbf{J}_{ii} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{2\gamma_i^{\frac{3}{2}}} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{J}_{ii} \right) \mathbf{\Sigma}_{old} \right] \quad \text{where } \mathbf{J}_{ii} \text{ is single entry matrix} \\ &= 2\sqrt{\gamma_i} - 2 \text{Tr} \left[ \mathbf{J}_{ii} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{old} \right] \\ &= 2\sqrt{\gamma_i} - 2 \left( \mathbf{P} \mathbf{\Gamma}^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{old} \right)_{ii}. \\ &\Rightarrow \sqrt{\gamma_i} = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma_k}} P_{ik} (\mathbf{\Sigma}_{old})_{ki} \quad \forall i \in [N]. \end{aligned}$$

## Fixed point iterations

- Optimality condition has variables dependent on each other
- Let  $c_i = 1/\sqrt{\gamma_i}$

$$\frac{1}{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{c},$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \frac{1}{\mathbf{c}}$$

where  $\frac{1}{\mathbf{c}}$  is element wise inverse of  $\mathbf{c}$  and  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{P} \odot \Sigma_{old}$ .

- One iteration leads to reduction in cost function for each EM iteration
- $\mathbf{c}_{new} = \mathbf{K}^{-1} \frac{1}{\mathbf{c}_{old}}$  and update  $\gamma_i = \left(\frac{1}{c_i}\right)^2$ ,  $\forall i \in [M]$ .



# Noise variance update

$$\lambda^* = \arg \max_{\lambda} Q_2(\theta_{old}, \lambda).$$

## Optimality condition

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \lambda} \\ &= \frac{\partial \left( c - \frac{M}{2} \log(\lambda) - \frac{\mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{y}}{2\lambda} + \frac{\mu_{old}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y}}{\lambda} - \frac{\text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \Sigma_{old})}{2\lambda} \right)}{\partial \lambda} \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\lambda^*} M + \frac{1}{2\lambda^{*2}} \left[ \mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{y} - 2\mu_{old}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y} + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \Sigma_{old}) \right] \\ \Rightarrow \lambda^* &= \frac{1}{M} \left[ \mathbf{y}^H \mathbf{y} - 2\mu_{old}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{y} + \text{Tr}(\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \Sigma_{old}) \right] \end{aligned}$$

## Algorithm

**Algorithm 1:** Correlated EM**Input:**  $\mathbf{A}$ ,  $\mathbf{Y}$ ,  $\mathbf{U}$ **Initialize:**  $k \leftarrow 0$ ,  $\gamma \leftarrow \mathbf{1}$ ,  $\lambda \leftarrow 0.1$ **while**  $k \leq k_{max}$  **and**  $\mu_{\theta} \neq \mu_{\theta_{old}}$  **do**

$$\Sigma_{\theta_{old}} = \left( \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} + \Sigma_{\gamma}^{-1} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\mu_{\theta_{old}} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \Sigma_{\theta_{old}} \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{Y}$$

$$\Sigma_{old} = \Sigma_{\theta_{old}} + \mu_{\theta_{old}} \mu_{\theta_{old}}^H$$

$$c_i = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\gamma_i}} \quad \forall i$$

$$\mathbf{c} \leftarrow \left( \mathbf{U}^{-1} \odot \Sigma_{old} \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{\mathbf{c}}$$

$$\gamma_i = \left( \frac{1}{c_i} \right)^2$$

$$\lambda^* = \frac{1}{M} \left[ \frac{1}{L} \|\mathbf{Y}\|_F^2 - \frac{2}{L} \mu_{old}^H \mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{Y} + \text{Tr} [\mathbf{A}^H \mathbf{A} \Sigma_{old}] \right]$$

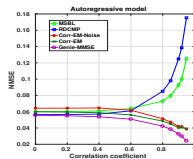
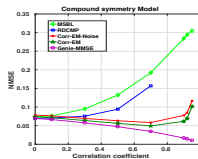
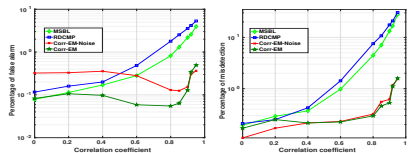
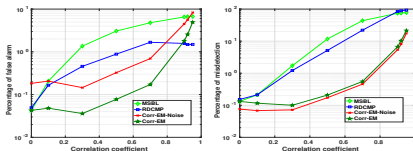
$$k \leftarrow k + 1$$

**end****Output:**  $\mathbf{X} = \mu_{\theta}$ ,  $\gamma$ , Support obtained by non-zero entries of  $\gamma$

# Results

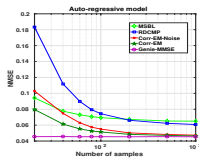
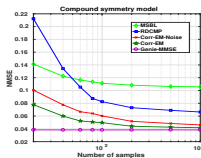
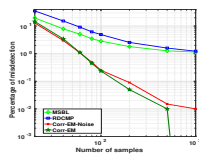
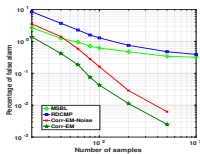
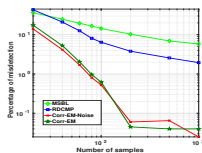
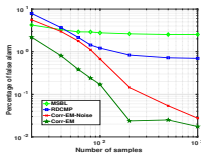
# Effect of correlation

- $N = 100$
- $K = 20$
- $M = 20$
- $L = 100$
- Row1 : Support recovery for uniform model
- Row2 : Support recovery for exponential model
- Row3 : NMSE recovery for both models



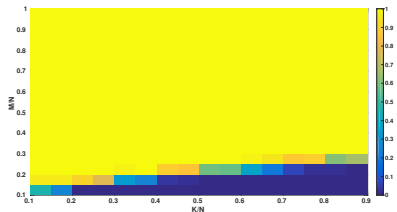
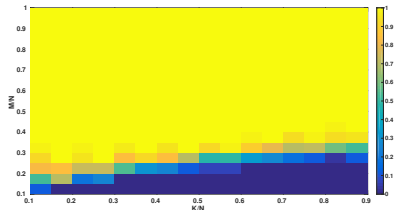
# Effect of number of samples

- $N = 100$
- $K = 20$
- $M = 20$
- Row1 : Support recovery for uniform model  $\rho = 0.5$
- Row2 : Support recovery for exponential model  $\rho = 0.75$
- Row3 : NMSE recovery for both models



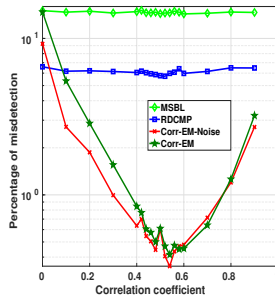
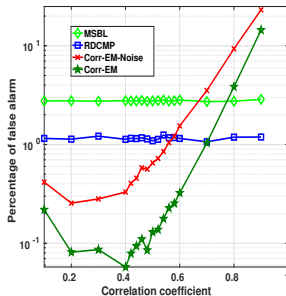
# Phase transition

- $N = 100$
- $L = 100$
- Figure 1: Uniform model  $\rho = 0.5$
- Figure 2 : Exponential model  $\rho = 0.75$

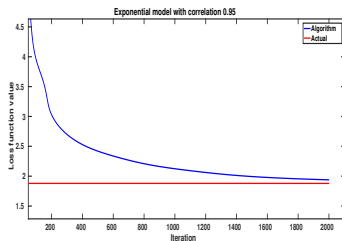
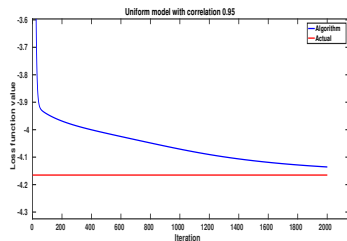
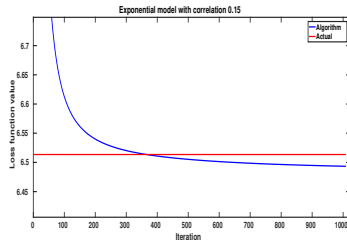
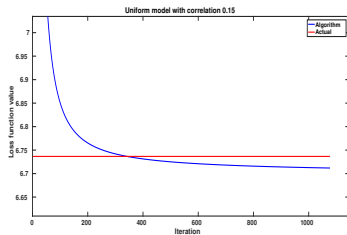


# Error in correlation coefficient

- $N = 100$
- $K = 20$
- $M = 20$
- $L = 100$
- Uniform model
- Actual  $\rho = 0.5$



## Does the EM converge?





# Challenges

# Theory behind the algorithm?

## Open Questions

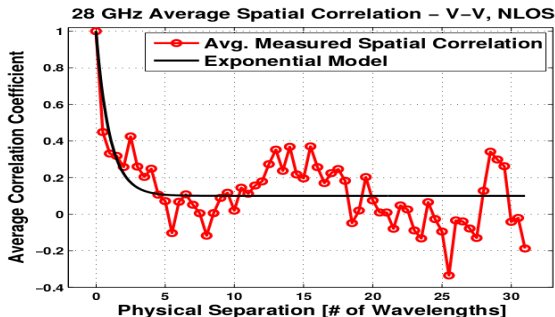
- Why only single iteration of fixed point is useful?
- Does the EM converge to a stationary point? What are the properties? How do you show convergence?
- What happens when exact correlation coefficient is not known?
- Can we learn the correlation coefficients from the available data?
- How useful is the algorithm for practical scenarios?
- What is the computational complexity? Can we make it faster?

# Learning correlation coefficients

- Works only for applications with known  $\mathbf{U}$
- Parametric form for  $\mathbf{U}$
- Can we learn the parameters from sample covariance of  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y}$ ?
- Simplify the optimality conditions for  $\mathbf{U}$  or its parameters as hyper-parameters

## Where can this be applied?

- Correlated Rayleigh fading in Massive MIMO channels
- Can models with correlation counter fundamental limit created due to pilot contamination? <sup>4</sup>



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<sup>4</sup>Sanguinetti, et.al., 2019

<sup>5</sup>Samimi, et.al., 2016

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