



Mutual-Information-Based Sensor Placement for Spatial Sound Field Recording

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Sensor placement in sound field reconstruction

Sound field reconstruction

- Estimate and interpolate acoustic field with multiple sensors
- Can be used in reproducing the sound field, visualization, active control, etc...



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How to determine the placement of sensors?

- Precision of sound field reconstruction largely depends on sensor placement
 - Number of sensors available is normally limited
 - Placing sensors on the boundary causes significant error at specific frequencies (nonuniqueness issue)



Mutual-information-based sensor placement

- Frause 2008] Select the placement positions from predefined discrete candidate positions \mathcal{V} ($|\mathcal{V}| = N$)
- Select *M* positions that maximize the mutual information between selected and unselected positions S and $V \setminus S$.

 $(|\mathcal{S}| = M)$

$$\hat{\mathcal{S}} = \underset{\mathcal{S} \subseteq \mathcal{V}}{\operatorname{arg max}} \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S}) \quad \text{, where } \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S}) = I(\boldsymbol{u}_{\mathcal{S}}; \boldsymbol{u}_{\mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{S}})$$

Mutual information between selected and unselected positions

Obtain nearly-optimal solution by greedy algorithm

Mutual-information-based sensor placement

- Field is modeled by Gaussian Process (GP)
 - Observations at M positions $\boldsymbol{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u(\boldsymbol{r}_1) & \cdots & u(\boldsymbol{r}_M) \end{bmatrix}^T$ are assumed to follow a multivariate Gaussian distribution:

$$oldsymbol{u} \sim \mathcal{N}\left(oldsymbol{0},oldsymbol{K}
ight)$$

$$\boldsymbol{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \kappa \left(\boldsymbol{r}_{1}, \boldsymbol{r}_{1} \right) & \cdots & \kappa \left(\boldsymbol{r}_{1}, \boldsymbol{r}_{M} \right) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \kappa \left(\boldsymbol{r}_{M}, \boldsymbol{r}_{1} \right) & \cdots & \kappa \left(\boldsymbol{r}_{M}, \boldsymbol{r}_{M} \right) \end{bmatrix} : \text{Gram matrix}$$

Kernel function

• Typical kernel used in GP is the Gaussian kernel:

$$\kappa(\boldsymbol{r}_i, \boldsymbol{r}_j) = \exp(-\|\boldsymbol{r}_i - \boldsymbol{r}_j\|^2 / 2\gamma^2)$$

Constant parameter

Gaussian kernel is not necessarily optimal for sound field interpolation

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: Gram matrix Kernel function

Kernel-induced sound field interpolation

 Define function space for sound field interpolation from solution set of Helmholtz equation (in 2D case)

$$\left(\Delta + k^2\right)u = 0$$

• Expansion by cylindrical wave function with expansion center r_0

$$u(\boldsymbol{r}) = \sum_{\nu = -\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{u}_{\nu}(\boldsymbol{r}_{0}) J_{\nu}(k \|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_{0}\|) e^{j\nu \angle (\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}_{0})}$$

$$\nu^{\text{th-order Bessel function}}$$

• Define Hilbert space ${\cal H}$

$$\mathcal{H} = \{ u \in \mathcal{C}^{2}(\Omega; \mathbb{C}), \text{ s.t. } (\Delta + k^{2})u = 0 \mid ||u||_{\mathcal{H}} < \infty \},$$

with
$$||u||_{\mathcal{H}} = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}},$$
$$\sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}} = \sum_{\nu = -\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{u}_{\nu}(\boldsymbol{r}_{0})^{*} \tilde{v}_{\nu}(\boldsymbol{r}_{0})$$

Kernel-induced sound field interpolation

 \succ \mathcal{H} is the reproducing kernel Hilbert space (RKHS) with reproducing kernel:

$$\kappa(\boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{r}') = J_0(k \|\boldsymbol{r} - \boldsymbol{r}'\|)$$
Oth-order Bessel function

> Appropriate Gram matrix for sound field interpolation

$$\boldsymbol{K} = \begin{bmatrix} J_0 \left(k \| \boldsymbol{r}_1 - \boldsymbol{r}_1 \| \right) & \cdots & J_0 \left(k \| \boldsymbol{r}_1 - \boldsymbol{r}_M \| \right) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ J_0 \left(k \| \boldsymbol{r}_M - \boldsymbol{r}_1 \| \right) & \cdots & J_0 \left(k \| \boldsymbol{r}_M - \boldsymbol{r}_M \| \right) \end{bmatrix}$$

[Ueno 2018]

Proposed algorithm

Greedy algorithm

while
$$|S|$$
 reaches to M do
 $S \leftarrow S \cup {\hat{m}}$, s.t. $\hat{m} = \underset{m \in \mathcal{V} \setminus S}{\operatorname{arg max}} \operatorname{MI}(S \cup {m}) - \operatorname{MI}(S)$
end while
Increase of the mutual information in the next step

- Greedy algorithm obtains suboptimal solution
- Increase of mutual information can be computed directly

$$\mathrm{MI}(\mathcal{S} \cup \{m\}) - \mathrm{MI}(\mathcal{S}) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\sigma_m^2 - \Sigma_{m,\mathcal{S}} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{S}}^{-1} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},m}}{\sigma_m^2 - \Sigma_{m,\bar{\mathcal{S}}} \Sigma_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},\bar{\mathcal{S}}}^{-1} \Sigma_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},m}} \bar{\mathcal{S}} = \mathcal{V} \setminus (\mathcal{S} \cup \{m\})$$

 $\Sigma_{A,B}$: Covariance matrix between A and B $\overline{S} = V \setminus (S \cup \{m\})$

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Greedy algorithm

while $|\mathcal{S}|$ reaches to M do $\mathcal{S} \leftarrow \mathcal{S} \cup {\hat{m}}$, s.t. $\hat{m} = \underset{m \in \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{S}}{\arg \max} \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S} \cup {m}) - \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S})$

end while

Broadband case

- Kernel function depends on frequency
 - Introduce a set of frequency bins \mathcal{F}
 - Assume independency between measurements of different frequencies

$$\mathrm{MI}(\mathcal{S} \cup \{m\}) - \mathrm{MI}(\mathcal{S}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \log \frac{\sigma_{m,f}^2 - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{m,\mathcal{S},f} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{S},f}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathcal{S},m,f}}{\sigma_{m,f}^2 - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{m,\bar{\mathcal{S}},f} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},\bar{\mathcal{S}},f}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},m,f}}$$

 $\Sigma_{A,B,f}$: Covariance matrix between A and B at frequency f $\bar{S} = V \setminus (S \cup \{m\})$

Efficient computation of the algorithm

> Total computational cost: $O(N^4M)$

Computational cost is high due to the matrix inversion calculation for each $m \in \mathcal{V} \setminus \mathcal{S}$

 $\overline{(N \gg M)}$

Each iteration calculates

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for $m \in \mathcal{V} \backslash \mathcal{S}$

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> > $(N \gg M)$

- Avoided by applying the Woodbury matrix identity Updating inverse matrices at each iteration are calculated sequentially
- Each iteration calculates

$$\begin{split} \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S} \cup \{m\}) - \operatorname{MI}(\mathcal{S}) &= \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\sigma_m^2 - \Sigma_{m,\mathcal{S}} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{S}}^{-1} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},m}}{\sigma_m^2 - \Sigma_{m,\bar{\mathcal{S}}} \Sigma_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},\bar{\mathcal{S}}}^{-1} \Sigma_{\bar{\mathcal{S}},m}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\sigma_m^2 - \Sigma_{m,\mathcal{S}} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},\mathcal{S}}^{-1} \Sigma_{\mathcal{S},m} \right) \\ & \text{for } m \in \mathcal{V} \backslash \mathcal{S} \\ & \times \left(\Sigma_{\mathcal{V} \backslash \mathcal{S}, \mathcal{V} \backslash \mathcal{S}}^{-1} \right)_{m,m} \end{split}$$

Numerical simulations

- Experiments in 2D sound free field
- > Target field Ω : Rectangular region of 2.4x3.0m²
- Candidate sensor positions:
 - Discretized every 0.04m (N=4636)
- Comparison
 - Proposed method (Proposed)
 - Gaussian kernel (Gauss)
 - Random (Rand)
 - Regular (Reg)
- \succ Number of Sensors M
 - Determined by a threshold for the increase in the mutual information



Numerical simulations

- Evaluated by sound field interpolation accuracy
 - True field: plane-wave field (every 1 deg)
 - Signal-to-noise ratio of measurement: 20dB
 - Evaluation measure : Signal-to-Distortion Ratio (SDR)

$$SDR(f) = 10 \log_{10} \frac{\int_{\Omega} |u_{true}(\boldsymbol{r}, k_f)|^2 d\boldsymbol{r}}{\int_{\Omega} |u_{true}(\boldsymbol{r}, k_f) - \hat{u}(\boldsymbol{r}, k_f)|^2 d\boldsymbol{r}}$$

True pressure field Interpolated pressure field

- Regional integral calculated by discretizing $\Omega\,$ at intervals of 0.01 m.

Results – narrowband case

Average SDR w.r.t. frequency



Results – narrowband case

<u>Gauss</u>

0

x (m)

0

x (m)

14.2

-1

Amplitude (real part)

Normalized error (dB)

-10

-20

-30

1

0.5

0

-0.5

600Hz, arrival angle= 60° , 45 microphones



Results – broadband case

- Average SDR w.r.t. frequency
- Frequency range of interest set to 400Hz-600Hz



Conclusion

Sensor placement method for sound field recording

- Sensor placement based on mutual information
- Sound-field-Interpolation kernel used as the kernel for GP
- Efficient computation of the greedy algorithm was derived
- Better performance than the typically used Gaussian kernel

