# Deep Unfolding for Multichannel Source Separation

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#### **Motivation**

- Deep neural networks work well for a wide variety of tasks
  - Computer vision, speech recognition, speech enhancement
- But not many for microphone arrays (only [1]-[4]). How to incorporate domain knowledge?
- How can we use deep neural networks for multichannel source separation?

[1] Nugraha et al. 2015
[2] Hoshen et al. 2015
[3] Sainath et al. 2015, 2016
[4] Xiao et al. 2016

#### Introduction



#### Approach:

- We use a new method called "deep-unfolding" to create deep neural networks from generative models
  - Recently used for NMF [1] and LDA topic modeling [2]
- We can improve the generative model, which tells us how to change the architecture of the neural network

[1] Le Roux et al. 2015 [2] Chen et al. 2015

#### **Results:**

- A meaningful and interpretable deep network that can separate sources in complex-valued multichannel frequency-domain.
- Discriminative training improves performance of the original inference algorithm.

- 2. Generative model: multichannel GMM
- 3. Unfolding the multichannel GMM
- 4. Results



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[1] Hershey, Le Roux, Weninger 20147 /22 [2] Le Roux, Hershey, Weninger 2015

# (1) Graphical model



#### (1) Define model

- (2) Derive iterative inference algorithm
- (3) Unfold iterations into layers in a network
- (4) Discriminatively train parameters  $\theta$ , tying or **untying** between layers.



8 /22 [1] Hershey, Le Roux, Weninger 2014

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#### 2. Generative model: multichannel GMM



- Multichannel GMM (MCGMM): probabilistic model of complex-valued multichannel STFT [1]
  - GMM source models
  - Narrowband channel model

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[1] Attias 2003

#### 2. Generative model: multichannel GMM



- Source GMM state probabilities
- Source means (complex STFTs)
- Channel model

Iterative variational inference algorithm [1]:

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#### 2. Generative model: multichannel GMM

#### Iterative variational inference algorithm [1]:

For k=1:K, estimate:

- Source GMM state prob.s
- Source means
- Channel model

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Algorithm 1: Simplified variational EM algorithm for the MCGMM, where  $\langle (\cdot)_t \rangle_t := \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T (\cdot)_t$ . **Data**: Multichannel mixture STFT  $Y_{1:F,1:T}$ , sensor precision  $\psi_f$ , source parameters  $\gamma_{1:F}^{1:J,1:Z}$ ,  $\pi^{1:J,1:Z}$ , initial channel estimate  $B_{1:F}^{(0)}$ **Result**: Estimated source STFTs  $\hat{X}_{1:F,1:T}^{1:J,(K)}$  and layer-wise intermediate variables for k = 1 : K do Run E-step:  $\bar{\gamma}_{f}^{j,z,(k)} = \left[B_{f}^{(k-1)}\right]_{:,j}^{H} \psi_{f} \left[B_{f}^{(k-1)}\right]_{:,j} + \gamma_{f}^{j,z,(k)}$ (7) $\bar{\mu}_{f,t}^{j,z,(k)} = \frac{\left[B_f^{(k-1)}\right]_{:,j}^H \psi_f}{\bar{\gamma}_c^{j,z,(k)}} \left(Y_{f,t} - \left[B_f^{(k-1)}\right]_{:,\backslash j} \hat{X}_{f,t}^{\backslash j,(k-1)}\right)$ (8) $L_t^{j,z,(k)} = \log \pi^{j,z} + \sum_f \log \frac{\gamma_f^{j,z,(k)}}{\bar{\gamma}_f^{j,z,(k)}} \dots$  $\dots + \sum_{r} \bar{\gamma}_{f}^{j,z,(k)} \left| \bar{\mu}_{f}^{j,z,(k)} \right|^{2}$ (9) $\bar{\pi}_t^{j,z,(k)} = \operatorname{softmax}\left(L_t^{j,1:Z,(k)}\right)$ (10) $\hat{X}_{f,t}^{j,(k)} = \sum \bar{\pi}_t^{j,z,(k)} \bar{\mu}_{f,t}^{j,z,(k)}$ (11)Run M-step:  $\hat{\Sigma}_{f}^{YX} = \left\langle Y_{f,t} \left( \hat{X}_{f,t}^{(k)} \right)^{H} \right\rangle_{I}$ (12) $\left[\hat{\Sigma}_{f}^{\hat{X}\hat{X}}\right]_{j,j} = \left\langle \sum_{z} \bar{\pi}_{t}^{j,z,(k)} \left(\frac{1}{\bar{\gamma}_{z}^{j,z,(k)}} + \left|\bar{\mu}_{f,t}^{j,z,(k)}\right|^{2}\right) \right\rangle_{t}$ (13) $B_f^{(k)} = \hat{\Sigma}_f^{Y\hat{X}} \left( \hat{\Sigma}_f^{\hat{X}\hat{X}} \right)^{-1}$ (14)

[1] Attias 2003

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- 1. Deep unfolding overview
- 2. Generative model: multichannel GMM

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• The unfolded network is perfectly interpretable!





#### One layer of unfolded network





Replace multinomial source states with one-hot binary Markov random field (MRF)



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#### 4. Results for multichannel source separation

# Dataset: overlapping\* REVERB challenge [1]



- 20dB SNR stationary background noise.
- T60 times up to 700ms (realistic and hard!)
- Source 1 to source 2 power ratio between -15dB and +15dB.
- Training set: 15763 files of 6-10 seconds each, 6 different rooms.
- Validation set: 65 files of 6-10 seconds each, 3 different rooms.
- Evaluation set: 1435 files of 6-10 seconds each, 3 different rooms.

\*Thanks to Michael Mandel for generating this dataset during JSALT 2015 in Seattle

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[1] Kinoshita et al. 2013

#### **Implementation**

- Everything implemented in Matlab using Bespoke Network Toolbox (BeNToBox) [1]
- Speaker- and gender-independent GMM source model trained with maximum-likelihood on WSJCAM0 [2]
- "Warm up" with 10 untrained generative model layers
- Discriminative training: incremental layer-wise training on single GPU with stochastic gradient descent with momentum

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[1] github.com/stwisdom/bentobox [2] Robinson et al. 1995

#### 4. Results for multichannel source separation

## Source-to-distortion ratio of source spatial images (SDR) [1]



- **Baseline**: 10 or 15 MCGMM variational inference iterations
- **Proposed**:10 MCGMM iterations + *K* trained unfolded layers, (for *K*=1,2,3, or 4) [1] bss\_eval\_images by Vincent et al. 21/22

#### **Results:**

- We used a new technique, deep unfolding, to convert variational inference for a generative model, the multichannel GMM (MCGMM) [1], into a deep network
- The resulting network has meaningful and interpretable activation functions and directly processes complex-valued multichannel frequency domain
- Improvements to the generative model manifest in the unfolded network
- Discriminative training improves performance over the original generative model

#### Future work:

- Integrate with ASR systems
- Recurrent and convolutional layers
- Unfold other generative models

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[1] Attias 2003

# Thank you! Questions?

Code and supplementary materials: <u>http://www.merl.com/demos/deep-MCGMM</u>