The Magic of Intelligent Coherent Optical Processing

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Outline

1. What is Computational Imaging?

2. My view of phase recovery...

3. Digital holographic "single shot" imaging through deep turbulence

- Leverages advanced signal processing techniques
- Integrates physics and machine learning models
- Is fast and effective

What is Computational Imaging? (Integrated Imaging)



- Traditional sensor design is reaching its limits
- Make the most informative measurement, rather than the "purest" measurement.
- Mick Jagger's Theorem: You can't always get what you want, but if you try sometimes, you might get what you need.

Model Based Iterative Reconstruction (MBIR): A General Framework for Solving Inverse Problems



$$\hat{x} \leftarrow \arg \max \left\{ \log p(y \mid x) + \log p(x) \right\}$$
forward model prior model

 \hat{x} – Reconstructed object y – Measurements from physical system

"Thin Manifold" View of Prior Models



- Notice that prior manifold fills the space but...
 - •Not a linear manifold
 - •PCA can not effectively reduce dimension
- But it has thickness
- Dimension of measurement > dimension of manifold

Phase Recovery for Complex Signals

• If you can only measure energy, then...

$$x(n) \rightarrow [|\cdot|^2 \rightarrow y(n)$$

- So you only know that:

$$|x(n)| = \sqrt{y(n)}$$
$$\angle x(n) = ??$$

Phase Recovery with Heterodyne Demodulation

Heterodyne

Complex signal recovery

$$y(n) \rightarrow DC Block$$
 Filter Pos.
Freq. $x(n)$
 $e^{-j\omega_o n}$

Digital Holography: Math versus Experiment





Digital Holography: Graphical

Heterodyne





General Phase Recovery

• Detect magnitude of linear transform $A \in \Re^{M \times N}$

$$x \longrightarrow \stackrel{A}{\underset{\text{Linear Transform}}{A}} \longrightarrow |\cdot|^2 \longrightarrow \sqrt{\cdot} \xrightarrow{} y$$

- Can we recover x?

Answer: Mostly "yes" if $M \ge 2N$. Sometimes "yes" when M < 2N.

– Alternating minimization:

$$\begin{array}{l} Repeat \left\{ \\ \hat{x} \leftarrow \arg\min_{x} \left\{ \left\| y * e^{j\hat{\theta}} - Ax \right\|^{2} \right\} & \text{LS inversion} \\ \hat{\theta} \leftarrow \arg\min_{\theta} \left\{ \left\| y * e^{j\theta} - Ax \right\|^{2} \right\} & \text{Super easy} \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

Example: Phase Recovery with Aliasing with Dennis Lee and Andy Weiner

• What if there is aliasing? (ω_o too small)



Then heterodyning doesn't work, right???

Answer: Yes, but we can still recover *x* using regularized iterative phase recovery!

Example: Phase Recovery with Aliasing*

Coherently imaged phase grating with aliasing:



Applied to (a)

Regularized iterative reconstruction recovers phase!



*D. J. Lee, C. A. Bouman, and A. M. Weiner, "Single Shot Digital Holography Using Iterative Reconstruction with Alternating Updates of Amplitude and Phase," *Computational Imaging Conference* 2016

Example: Ptychography with Qiuchen Zhai and Greg Buzzard



Ptychographic Reconstruction

Mag and Phase images

Diffraction measurements

Reconstruction



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Imaging through Turbulence with Casey Pellizzari and Mark Spencer

Laser source



- y Complex measurement
- \boldsymbol{g} Complex reflectance coefficient
- *w* Complex noise
- A_{ϕ} Linear propagation model
- ϕ Unknown phase distortion

Variables to remember...

\boldsymbol{g} – reflection coefficient



complex valued image

$|g|^2 - \text{mag}^2$ of reflection coefficient



speckly image

r – reflectance



de-speckled image

Conventional Estimation of *r*

Speckle averaging

- Average many "independent shots"
- Depends on fact that $E[|g|^2|r] = r$



 S_i

g

Huge Advantage of Estimating *r*

•Estimating r is much better because...

- *r* lives in a lower dimensional space

 $\left(\frac{measurements}{unknowns}\right) >>$ large \Rightarrow easer phase recovery

- Results in less noisy image



g – speckly (high dimension)



r – good (low dimension)

Problem: Estimating r is difficult!

MBIR (Model-Based Iterative Reconstruction)



The Magic: EM Algorithm to the Rescue

• Define Q function (E-step) $Q(r,\phi;r',\phi') = E[\log p(y|g,\phi) + \log p(g|r) + \log p(r) + \log p(\phi) |y,r',\phi']$ E-step

• EM algorithm for MAP estimation (local min)

Initialize (r, ϕ) Repeat { $(r', \phi') \leftarrow \arg \max_{(r,\phi)} Q(r,\phi;r',\phi')$ } Return (r', ϕ')

Iterative EM Optimization



The beauty of the EM algorithm is that *Q* is crafted in such a way that it upper bounds c. Therefore, by minimizing *Q*, we converge to a minima of *c*

Magical Closed Form for *Q* Function!

• When $A_{\phi}^{H}A_{\phi} \approx I$, then $Q(r,\phi;r',\phi') \approx -\frac{2}{\sigma_{w}^{2}}Re\{y^{H}A_{\phi}\mu\} + p(\phi)$ Pixel-wise $+\log|\mathcal{D}(r)| + \sum_{i=1}^{N}\frac{1}{r_{i}}(C_{i,i} + |\mu_{i}|^{2}) + p(r)$

where

$$C = \mathcal{D}\left(\frac{r'}{r'/\sigma_w^2 + 1}\right) \quad \mu = C \frac{1}{\sigma_w^2} A_{\phi'}^H Y$$

diagonal matrix

Isoplanatic Experiments



Isoplanatic \Rightarrow **shift-invariant PSF**

DH-MBIR: Isoplanatic Result (Experimental)





DH-MBIR: Strehl Ratio vs SNR (Simulated)



MBIR produces more accurate phase-error estimates than Image Sharpening at low SNRs and/or strong phase errors

Anisoplanatic Experiments



$$\tilde{\theta}_0 = \frac{\theta_0}{\left(\frac{\lambda}{D}\right)} = \frac{isoplanatic \ angle}{diffraction \ limit}$$

We set
$$\left(\frac{\lambda}{D}\right) = 1 \ pixel$$

 $\tilde{\theta}_0 = 1 \Rightarrow$ more PSFs than pixels in the image

DH-MBIR: Anisoplanatic Results (Simulated)



Peak Strehl ratio vs. $\tilde{\theta}_0$, averaged over 10 i.i.d. realizations

Simulation Parameters:

- 256x256 images
- 3 phase screens
- $\left(\frac{\lambda}{D}\right) = 1 \ pixel$

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Plug and Play/Consensus Equilibrium Approach

- PnP/CE is a framework for integrating models:
 - Physics based model of DH sensor
 - Machine learning model of images and phase errors
- Approach:
 - Build an "agent" for forward model and prior model
 - Forward model uses EM algorithm
 - Prior model is a convolutional neural network (CNN) denoiser

PnP Reconstruction (Simulation Data)



"It's the power of the deep neural network...," — Dong Hye Ye

Takeaways...

- Phase recovery maybe easier then you thought
- Computational Imaging offers a new perspective to optical sensing problems
 - Regularized iterative inversion (MBIR)
 - The EM Algorithm
 - Plug-and-Play methods
 - Convolutional neural networks