

Blind Source Separation using Infomax algorithm

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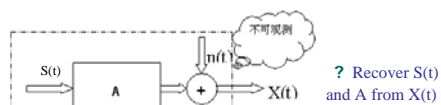
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Part I. An overview of BSS

- **Blind Source Separation:** recover source signals from the mixtures without a priori knowledge about $S(t)$ and A .



- Blind : source signal *can not be observed*
mixing process is unknown

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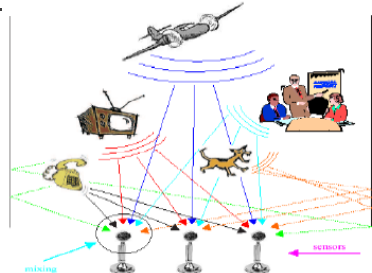
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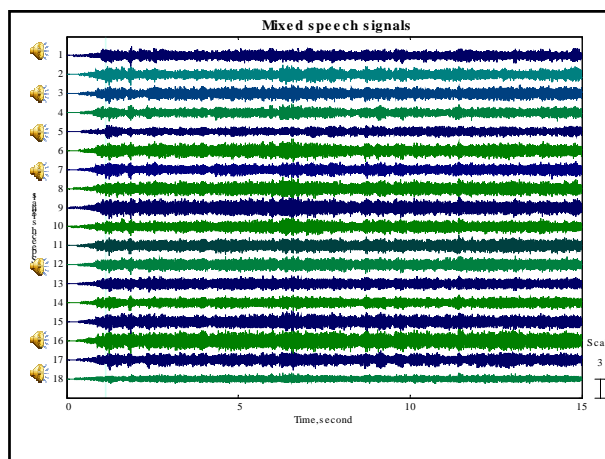
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- Recovering source speech signals from their mixtures

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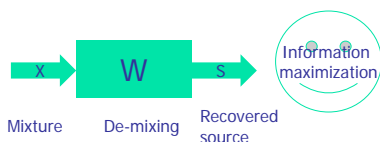
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— Cock-tail party problem

How to solve this problem ?



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Mathematical Formulation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} s_1(t) \\ s_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ s_n(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} & \cdots & w_{1n} \\ w_{21} & w_{22} & \cdots & w_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ w_{n1} & w_{n2} & \cdots & w_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ x_n(t) \end{bmatrix} \quad t = 1, \dots, N$$

$X(t)$ is a linear mixture of $S(t)$

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2.1 What is information maximization?

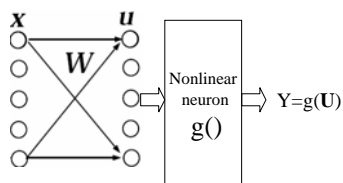
- In 1925, Fisher put forward the concept of “**information**” (Fisher information).
 - In 1948, Shannon put forward the concept of **entropy** and **mutual information**.
 - The mutual information $I(X, Y)$
 - $I(X, Y) = H(Y) - H(X|Y)$
- $I(X, Y)$ can be used to measure the statistical dependency of random variable X and Y .

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2.1 What is information maximization?

- Infomax algorithm is to maximize the information transferred in a network of non-linear units.



- Adjusting W to maximize the mutual information of Y about input X

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2.2 Mathematical Background

— Transformation of the random variable

- Prerequisite: pdf (probability density function) of the function of a random variable X
- Suppose $Y = g(X)$, then the pdf of the random variable Y could be expressed by the pdf of X as

$$f_Y(Y) = \frac{f_X(X)}{|J|}$$

- The transformation $g()$ should have a unique inverse.

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2.2 Mathematical Background

— Transformation of the random variable

- J is the Jacobian matrix,
- $|J|$ is the Jacobian determinant

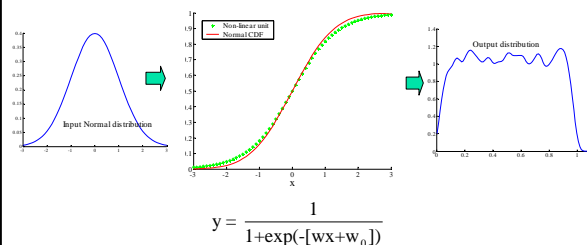
$$|J| = \det \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$$

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2.2 Mathematical Background

— Transformation the Random variable



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2.2 Mathematical Background

— Differentiation

- Differentiation of the composite function

$$y = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-u)}, u = wx + w_0$$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = wy(1 - y)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} \right) = y(1 - y)(1 + wx(1 - 2y))$$

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2.2 Mathematical Background

— Differentiation

- Differentiation of the matrix determinant

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln |\det W|$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial w_{ij}} \ln |\det W| = \frac{\text{cof } w_{ij}}{\det W}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln |\det W| = \frac{(\text{adj } W)^T}{\det W} = [W^T]^{-1}$$

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3. Deduce the learning rule

- Maximize the mutual information of Y about input X

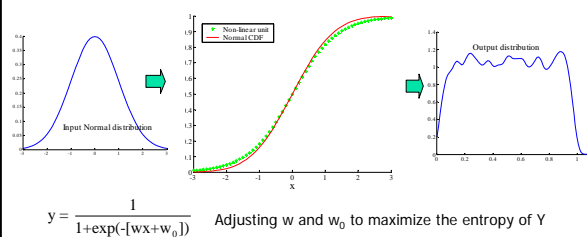
$$I(Y, X) = H(Y) - H(Y|X)$$
 - $H(Y)$ is entropy of output Y
 - $H(Y|X)$ is conditional entropy, which is entropy of Y that didn't come from the input
 - When W and $g()$ are deterministic, $H(Y|X)$ is zero, thus maximizing $I(Y, X)$ is equivalent to maximize $H(Y)$
- Method: Adjust the weights W of the network

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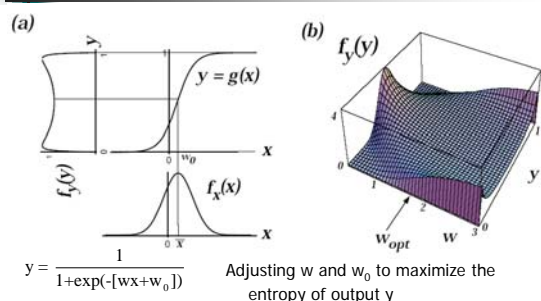


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3. Deduce the learning rule



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3. Deduce the learning rule

- Maximize the output entropy $H(y)$ using the gradient method
- Calculation of $H(Y)$:

$$H(Y) = - \int f_Y(Y) \ln f_Y(Y) dY$$

$$f_Y(Y) = \frac{f_X(X)}{|J|}$$

J is the Jacobian of the transformation from X to Y

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$$\begin{aligned} H(Y) &= - \int f_Y(Y) \ln f_Y(Y) dY \\ &= \int f_Y(Y) \ln |J| dY - \int f_Y(Y) \ln f_X(X) dY \\ &= E[\ln |J|] + E[\ln f_X(X)] \end{aligned}$$

- 2 does not depend on W
- Maximizing $H(Y)$ is equivalent to maximize

$$E[\ln |J|] = \int f_Y(Y) \ln |J| dY$$

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3. Deduce the learning rule

- Using stochastic gradient method

$$\Delta W \propto \frac{\partial H}{\partial W} = \frac{\partial}{\partial W} (\ln |J|)$$

- Suppose $y = g(u)$, $u = WX + W_0$, $g(u) = (1 + e^{-u})^{-1}$
- Jacobian matrix J of the transformation from X to Y

$$J = \text{diag}\left(\frac{\partial y_i}{\partial u_i}\right) * W$$

$$\ln |J| = \ln |\det W| + \ln \prod_i \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial u_i}$$

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3. Deduce the learning rule

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln |\det W| &= [W^T]^{-1} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln \prod_i \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial u_i} &= (1 - 2Y) X^T \\ \Delta W &\propto \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln |J| = \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln |\det W| + \frac{\partial}{\partial W} \ln \prod_i \frac{\partial y_i}{\partial u_i} \end{aligned}$$

- We obtain the learning rule

$$\Delta W \propto [W^T]^{-1} + (1 - 2y) x^T$$

$$\Delta w_0 \propto 1 - 2y$$

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3. Deduce the learning rule

- Speed up the learning process
 - Natural gradient extension
- Multiplying the previous learning rule by $W^T W$
- The new learning rule is

$$\Delta W \propto [I + (I - 2y)u^T] W$$

$$W_{i+1} = W_i + \mu \Delta W$$

- μ is the learning rate

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4. Implementation of Infomax Algorithm

- Software package:
 - EEGLAB
 - Designed for EEG signal analysis.
- Two function file:
 - runica.m & binica.m
 - binica() calls C version of runica.m to speed up the execution.

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4. Implementation of Infomax Algorithm

- Parameter setting in Infomax algorithm:
 - Optional inputs:
 - 'extended' = 0 [default: don't look for subGaussian components]
 - 'pca' = 0 [default: don't reduce data dimension]
 - 'blocksize' = 2048 [default: heuristic dependent on data size]
 - 'lrate' = 1e-4 'stop' = 1e-6
 - 'maxsteps' = 256 'annealstep' = 0.98 [range 0-1]
 - 'annealdeg' = 60 'momentum' = 0 [range 0-1]
 - 'sphering' = 'on' 'bias' = on
 - 'posact' = 'on' 'verbose' = on

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4. Implementation of Infomax Algorithm

- For binica.m, two files need to be edited,
 - 1. icadefs.m: edit the path of the ica.exe file
 - 2. binica.sc: stores the needed parameters, users need to edit this file and update the corresponding parameters.

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4. Implementation of Infomax Algorithm

- 1. Preprocessing
 - mean removal and sphering
 - $X = X - E(X)$
 - $Y = QX$, st. $E[YY^T] = I$
- 2. Training process
 - Iterate to update the estimated separating matrix W
 - $W_{i+1} = W_i + \mu \Delta W$
 - μ is the learning rate

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4. Implementation — MATLAB code for the training process

```

while step < maxsteps,
    permute = randperm(datalength);
    for t = 1:block:lastt,
        u = wts * data(:,permute(t:t+block-1));
        y = tanh(u);
        wts = wts + lrate*(BI-signs*y*u'-u*u')*wts;
        -- Estimate the number of sub-Gaussian sources
        -- Change the learning rate
        -- Judge the exit condition
    end
end

```

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

- The original infomax algorithm can only deal with the case where the distribution of all the source signals are **super-Gaussian**.
- The Extended Infomax algorithm can separate mixed signals with **sub- and supergaussian** distributions (Lee T. W., 1999).

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

- Model the symmetric subgaussian density
- Model the supergaussian density

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

- Model the symmetric subgaussian density:

$$p(u) = \frac{1}{2} (N(\mu, \sigma^2) + N(-\mu, \sigma^2)) \quad (2-1)$$

- $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ is normal density function
- The kurtosis k_4 of $p(u)$ is

$$k_4 = \frac{-2\mu^4}{(\mu^2 + \sigma^2)^2}$$

- Thus equation (2-1) defines a strictly subgaussian when $\mu > 0$.

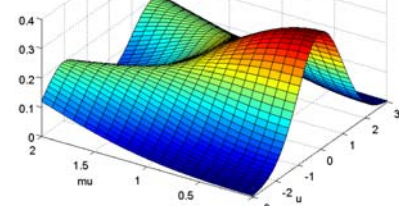
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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

Subgaussian density using the sum of two gaussian density

$$p(u) = \frac{1}{2} (N(\mu, \sigma^2) + N(-\mu, \sigma^2))$$



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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

— learning rule for subgaussian sources

- $p(u)$ is defined by equation (2-1), choose the nonlinear transformation $g(u)$ in the Infomax algorithm as

$$\begin{aligned} g(u) &= -\frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial u} = \frac{u}{\sigma^2} - a \left(\frac{\exp(au) - \exp(-au)}{\exp(au) + \exp(-au)} \right) \\ &= \frac{u}{\sigma^2} - a \tanh(au) \\ a &= \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} \end{aligned}$$

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

— learning rule for subgaussian sources

$$g(u) = u - \tanh(u), \mu = 1, \sigma^2 = 1$$

- The learning rule for subgaussian sources is

$$\Delta W \propto [I - g(u)u^T] W = [I + \tanh(u)u^T - uu^T] W$$

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

— Learning rule for supergaussian sources

- For unimodal supergaussian source, we can use density model

$$p(u) \propto p_G(u) \operatorname{sech}^2(u)$$

- The nonlinearity $g(u)$ is

$$g(u) = -\frac{\partial p(u)}{\partial u} = u + \tanh(u)$$

- The learning rule is

$$\Delta W \propto [I - g(u)u^T] W = [I - \tanh(u)u^T - uu^T] W$$

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

— Learning rule for supergaussian sources

- For unimodal supergaussian source, we can use density model

$$p(u) \propto p_G(u) \operatorname{sech}^2(\beta u)$$

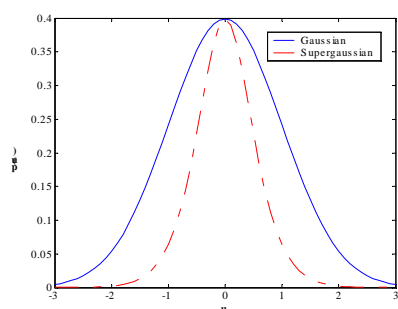
- $p_G(u)$ is normal density $N(0,1)$
- $\operatorname{sech}(u)$ is hyperbolic secant
- β can control the sharpness (kurtosis) of the supergaussian density

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Part III. Extended Infomax algorithm

— Switching between nonlinearities

- The switching between the sub- and supergaussian learning rule is

$$\Delta W \propto [I - K \tanh(u)u^T - uu^T] W$$

$$\text{for } \begin{cases} k_i = 1: \text{supergaussian} \\ k_i = -1: \text{subgaussian} \end{cases}$$

- k_i are elements of the N -dimensional diagonal matrix K .

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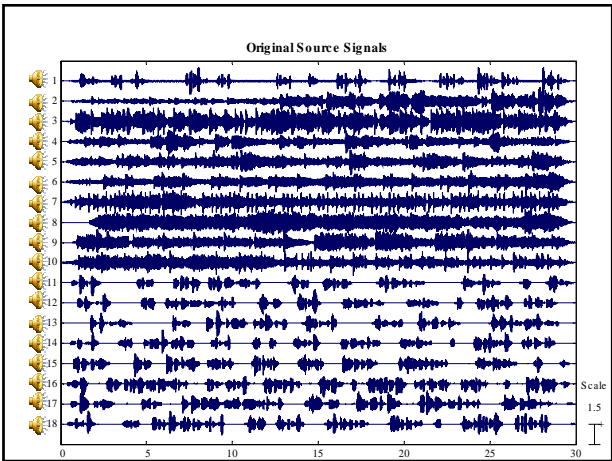
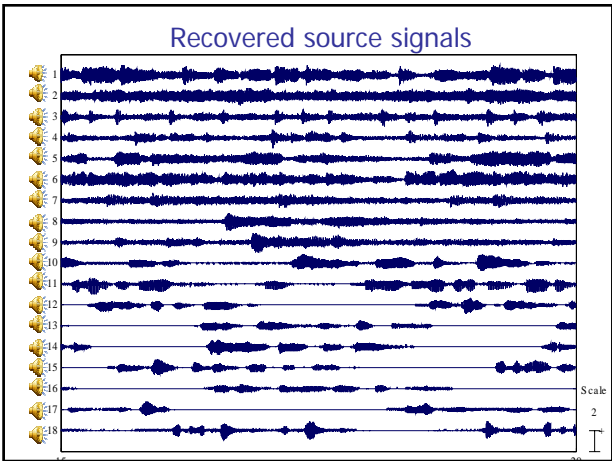
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Part IV. Experimental Results

- Data set: 18 signals, 9 music signals, 9 speech signals
- Mixing by a randomly generated mixing matrix
- Parameter setting:
 - Block size: 4096
 - Learning rate: 0.0001
 - Maximum iteration step: 256

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— Evaluation

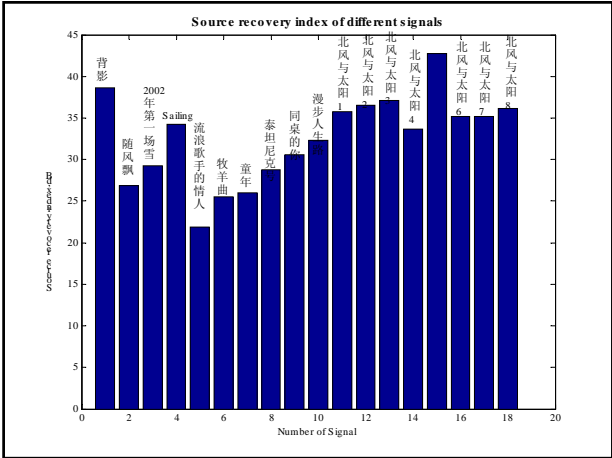
- Permutation
- Scale
- $x = As = a_1s_1 + \dots + a_ns_n$
- Order between the independent components:
 - Use the variance of the independent components
 - Use the nongaussianity of the independent components

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Part IV. Experimental Results
— Evaluation

- Performance Index
- Source recovery SNR:
$$SNR = 10 \log \frac{\|S_i - \hat{S}_i\|^2}{\|S_i\|^2}, i = 1, \dots, N$$
- Eliminate scale and permutation ambiguity
- Mixing matrix recovery
- $P = WA, PI = \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \frac{|p_{ij}|}{\max_k |p_{ik}|} - 1 \right) + \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|p_{ij}|}{\max_k |p_{kj}|} - 1 \right)$

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Order of the separated independent components

N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
S	刀郎	童年	邓丽君	随风飘	同桌的你	牧羊曲	远航	流浪歌手	北风7	北风6	北风1	北风4	北风5	北风8	北风2	北风3	背影	

Order of the variance of each signal

N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
S	刀郎	同桌的你	泰坦尼克	童年	邓丽君	北风5	北风6	流浪歌手	北风7	远航	牧羊曲	北风1	北风2	背影	北风3	北风4	北风8	随风飘

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— Order of the independent component

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- Infomax algorithm reorders the independent component according to the mean projected variance
 - $X_{proj} = A'(:,i) * S'(i,:)$
 - $Var(i) = \text{mean}(\text{sum}(X_{proj} * X_{proj}) / (N-1))$
 - A' is the estimated mixing matrix, S' is the separated independent components
 - $i = 1, \dots, N$, N is number of the sources
- Order the independent components according to Var

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Part IV. Experimental Results

— Comparison between the Infomax and FastICA

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- 18 source signal data set
 - Execution time:
 - Infomax 469 s
 - FastICA 2051ss
 - Mean Reconstruction SNR
 - Infomax 32.7dB(using runica)
 - FastICA 36.3
 - Iteration number
 - Infomax 63

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Part V Summary and Perspective

- Summary:
 - BSS has become a useful tool in signal processing.
 - Information maximization provides a general framework for BSS problem
 - By modeling the sub- and supergaussian densities, the Extended Infomax algorithm are able to separate mixed signals with sub- and supergaussian densities
 - Experimental results verified the effectiveness of the Infomax algorithm

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Part V Summary and Perspective

- Perspective:
 - Consider more practical mixing models
 - Exploiting the intrinsic statistical properties of the audio signals to enhance the performance of BSS

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