

Stability of Modified-CS over Time for recursive causal sparse reconstruction

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- ▶ Most existing work:
 - ▶ is either for static sparse reconstruction or is offline & batch, e.g. [Wakin et al (video)], [Gamper et al, Jan'08 (MRI)], [Jung et al'09 (MRI)]

- ▶ Notation:
 - ▶ $T^c = [1, 2, \dots, m] \setminus T$: complement of set T
 - ▶ $\|A\|$: induced 2-norm of matrix A
 - ▶ A_T : sub-matrix containing columns of A with indices in set T
 - ▶ A' : denotes the transpose of matrix A
- ▶ RIP constant, δ_S : smallest real number s.t. all eigenvalues of $A_T' A_T$ lie b/w $1 \pm \delta_S$ whenever $|T| \leq S$ [Candes, Romberg, Tao'05]
 - ▶ $\delta_S < 1 \Leftrightarrow A$ satisfies the *S-RIP*
- ▶ ROP constant, θ_{S_1, S_2} : smallest real number s.t. for disjoint sets, T_1, T_2 with $|T_1| \leq S_1, |T_2| \leq S_2$,
 $|c_1' A_{T_1}' A_{T_2} c_2| \leq \theta_{S_1, S_2} \|c_1\|_2 \|c_2\|_2$ [Candes, Romberg, Tao'05]
 - ▶ easy to see: $\|A_{T_1}' A_{T_2}\| \leq \theta_{|T_1|, |T_2|}$

Sparse reconstruction

- ▶ Reconstruct a sparse signal x , with support N , from $y := Ax$,
 - ▶ when $n = \text{length}(y) < m = \text{length}(x)$
- ▶ Solved if we can find the sparsest vector satisfying $y = Ax$
 - ▶ unique solution if $\delta_{2|N|} < 1$
 - ▶ exponential complexity
- ▶ Practical approaches (polynomial complexity in m)
 - ▶ greedy methods, e.g. MP, OMP, ..., CoSaMP [Mallat,Zhang'93], [Pati et al'93], ... [Needell, Tropp'08]
 - ▶ convex relaxation approaches, e.g. BP, BPDN, ..., DS, [Chen, Donoho'95], ..., [Candes, Tao'06], ...
- ▶ Compressed Sensing (CS) literature [Candes, Romberg, Tao'05], [Donoho'05]
 - ▶ provides exact reconstruction conditions and error bounds for the practical approaches

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- ▶ Same thing also works if Δ_e not empty but small
 - ▶ exact recon if $\delta_{|N|+|\Delta_e|+|\Delta|} < 1$

- ▶ **Modified-CS** [Vaswani, Lu, ISIT'09, IEEE Trans. SP, Sept'10]

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- ▶ we obtained exact reconstruction conditions
- ▶ exact reconstruction is possible using **fewer** measurements than CS
 - ▶ when misses and extras in T small
- ▶ **Other related and parallel work:**
 - ▶ [vonBorries et al, TSP'09, CAMSAP'07]: no exact recon conditions or expts.
 - ▶ [Khajenejad et al, ISIT'09]: probabilistic prior on support

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- Key Assumption:
- *support of x_t , N_t , changes slowly over time:*

$$|N_t \setminus N_{t-1}| \approx |N_{t-1} \setminus N_t| \ll |N_t|$$

- empirically verified for dynamic MRI sequences [Lu, Vaswani, ICIP'09]

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- ▶ Our goals very different from:
 - ▶ homotopy methods: speed up optimization but not reduce n
 - ▶ reconstruct **one signal** recursively from seq. arriving meas's
 - ▶ multiple measurements vector (MMV) problem

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- ▶ But, often, e.g. in dynamic MRI, support changes occur at every time

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 - ▶ and the other S_a decrease to $(j-1)r$;
 - ▶ $j = 0$: coeff's only increase; $j = d$: coeff's only decrease

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- ▶ Use above facts/corollary to obtain sufficient conditions s.t.
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 - ▶ and the final set of extras, $\tilde{\Delta}_{e,t}$ is an empty set

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- ▶ **Slow support change** $\Rightarrow S_a \ll S_0$
 - ▶ \Rightarrow support errors' bound small compared to support size

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 - ▶ need α large enough to ensure correct deletion
 - ▶ \Rightarrow need rate of coeff. increase, r , even larger

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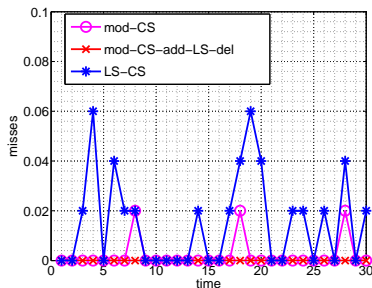
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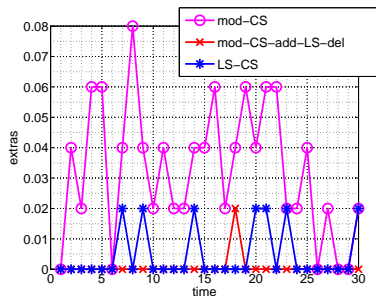
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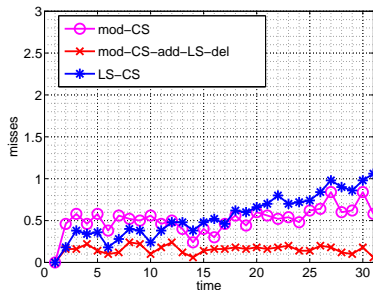
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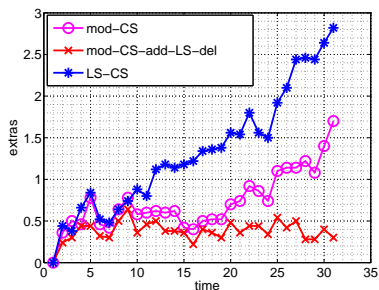
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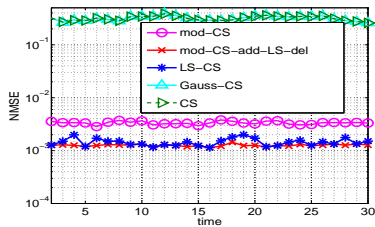
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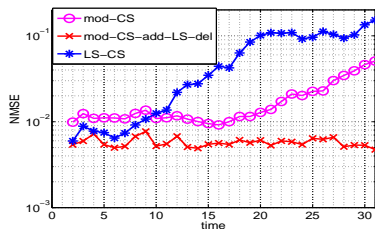
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