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Neural Networks for Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation Recovery

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The remnant electromagnetic radiation from the Big Bang, which we can still see 13.8 billion years later





The history of the Universe, from the Big Bang to today. Image credit: ESA







Anisotropy Formalism

• Fluctuations of CMB temperature in different directions on the sky:

$$\frac{(\Delta T)}{T}(\theta, \varphi) = \frac{(T(\theta, \varphi) - T_0)}{T_0}$$

• Spherical harmonic decomposition:

$$\frac{(\Delta T)}{T}(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{l,m} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$a_{lm} = \int_{\Omega} \frac{(\Delta T)}{T} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi) d\vec{\Omega}$$

• We define the angular power spectrum as:

$$C_l \equiv a_l^2 = \langle \mid a_{lm}^2 \mid \rangle$$



Hu, Sugiyama & Silk (1995)

The universe today



CMB importance in understanding the Universe

Precision in CMB anisotropy measurements, especially in polarization

Characterize and subtract contaminants that "hide" the CMB signal:

Diffuse emissions in the sky

Extragalactic point sources (PS)

Develop new methods looking for better performance



sources + from the Milky Way + from the Milky Way + Backgound All emissions at microwave & submillimetre wavelengths

Individual	Radio emission 🔒	Dust emission 🔒	Cosmic Microwave
sources	from the Milky Way	from the Milky Way	Backgound

Image credit: ESA









Total intensity





Planck 2018 I

Polarization





Beyond Planck 2023 XIV

Fitting model to set of obs w/i standard Bayesian parametric framework (parameters and priors)



Linear combination of maps w/ minimum variance using a basis of spherical wavelts (needlets)

Construct templates $t_j(x)$ from two close channels, α_j by minimizing the variance outside mask $T_c(x,v) = d(x,v) - \sum_{j=1}^{n_t} \alpha_j t_j(x)$ CMB harmonic coefficients by weighted linear combination of the input maps harmonic coefficients

$$s_{lm} = w_l^T x_{lm}$$



SEVEM

1600

900

400

…Unfortunately, many of the component separation techniques that are generally used to separate diffuse Galactic foregrounds are not well suited to deal with PS...

>PS: Distant galaxies seen as point-like objects through the observational beam

>Albeit "clustered", their distribution is isotropic on very large scales (\geq 100 Mpc)

>Their contribution reduced by detecting and removing them from the maps

>An alternative is to MASK them





The Second Planck Catalogue of Compact Sources



Planck 2015 XXVI

Detection







0

20 -

40 -

60 -

80 -

120

0

50

Gonzalez-Nuevo+2006 Lopez-Caniego+2006

Fourier transform of src profile(beam)

Matched Filter





Masking





Neural Network approach

Looking for:

- Better performance
- No ringing
- No border effect
- No mask needed
- No bk power spectrum estimation
- More flexible and authomatic

Realistic simulations needed:

- Patches of the sky
- CMB signal (label)
- Galactic thermal dust and synchrotron emission
- PS radio (label) and IR background
- Instrumental white noise

Simulations - T



Simulations - Q





Simulations - U





PoSelDoN

Point Source Image Detection Network



Convolutional block: 6 layers 8-16-64-128-256-512 feature maps Paddding Same Leaky ReLU MSE loss function 50 epochs Deconvolutional block: 6 layer 256-128-64-16-8-1 feature maps

PoSelDoN



Simulations @217 GHz: Patch of 32 x 32 pixels 50 000 training set (total & PS) 5 000 validation set

Catalogue: searching peaks (i.e. local maxima)

- above σ_{MHW2} intensity threshold (PoSeIDoN)
- above 4 $\sigma_{\rm MHW2}$ (MHW2)

PoSeIDoN



PoSeIDoN provides more reliable results (i.e. a lower number of spurious sources)
 PoSeIDoN does not have border effects like any filtering approach
 good PoSeIDoN performance even at the freq.s where it was not trained

Flux density estimation is not optimal WRT the MHW2, but best option for blind detection

MultiPoSeIDoN



Sub-sampling factor of 2 Paddding Same Leaky ReLU MSE loss function AdaGrad optimizer Minibatch of 32 sample 500 epochs

6 convolutional & pooling layers 9-18-72-144-288-576 feature maps Learning the PS WRT the background 6 deconvolutional & pooling layers 288-144-72-18-9-3 feature maps PS segmantation from the total map

MultiPoSeIDoN



Simulations: 143, 217 & 353 GHz PS flux density scaling w/ freq Patch of 128 x 128 pixels (90") 50 000 training set (total & PS) 5 000 validation set

Catalogue:
searching peaks
(i.e. local maxima)
NN above 60 mJy threshold
MTXF 4*o*

MultiPoSeIDoN Similar comp

MultiPoSeIDoN performs better than the MTXFs
Similar completeness @ 143 & 217 GHz
Better completeness @ 353 GHz
Better in number of spurious sources



MultiPoSeIDoN



- MultiPoSeIDoN better than PoSeIDoN, recovering flux density of fainter PS w/ lower relative error
- Thanks to the increasing of the training information, it learns the different correlations between the elements in the simulations due to their spectral behaviors

POSPEN

POint Source Polarization Estimation Network



leaky ReLU AdaGrad optimiser 500 epochs batch size of 16 MSE loss function

1st block read the input 32x32 patch Five convolutional blocks, formed by 8-32-64-128-256 filters



two layers of 128 and 1 neurons converting info to numerical values

POSPEN



Polarization simulations (P Q U)
@217 GHz
32 × 32 pixels of 90"
a central injected PS
(non-blind method)
+ contaminants & CMB

10 000 training set (label PS flux) 1 000 validation set

Casas+23



POSPEN appears to be promising for estimating polarization flux density (non-blind way)

- It well recovers the polarization flux density of sources above 80 mJy
- Relative error of 30% in most of the flux-density intervals

POSPEN

$\psi = \tan^{-1}(U/Q)$	The polariz
$Q = P \cos \psi$	estimated e
$U = P \sin \psi$	but not its o

The **polarization angle** (ψ) can be estimated even when Q is well estimated but not its corresponding U, or vice versa



POSPEN appears to be promising for estimating polarization flux density and angle in a non-blind way



NN4CMB

- NN better performance in PS WRT filters
- Same expected in CMB recovery WRT "classical" methods
- In particular:
- Better background removal expected
- Better noise removal expected

CMB Extraction Neural Network





- layers to connect the convolutional and deconvolutional blocks, doubling the space of feature maps before each deconvolutional block
- these layers help to predict low-level features with the deconvolutional blocks by taking into account high-level features inferred by the convolutional blocks
- the addition of these layers is related to the task of predicting small-scale regions of the CMB signal by considering already inferred large-scale structures

Simulations @ 143, 217 & 353 GHz PS flux density scaling w/ freq 256 x 256 pixels 90" 60 000 training set (labels CMB @ 217 GHz) validation set:

- 6 000 all sky
- 2 000 x 3 regions



Mean power spectra of the input and output CMB Difference of 13±113 μ K² for l ≤4000

- CENN reliable also @ l> 2500
- PS contamination very small, only affects l~2000

Mean power spectrum of the residuals + foregrounds (difference between input and output CMB) for each region and for the whole sky

reasonable residuals also in contaminated regions



CENN - Pol



(256,256,3)



4 convolutional blocks: 8-16-64-128 #filters

4 deconvolutional blocks 64-16-8-1 #filters

Convol. connected to deconv. to add fine-grained features padding type Same activation function leaky ReLU Final layer MSE loss function AdaGrad optimizer 500 epochs

CENN - Pol



Simulations in Q and U @ 100, 143 & 217 GHz 256×256 pixels & 90" pixel size

10 000 training set (labels CMB @ 217 GHz) 1 000 validating set

Casas+ subA&A

Q

U

CENN - Pol



Reasonable residuals: E recovery w/ $10^{-1}-10^{-2} \mu K^2$ B recovery w/ $2 \times 10^{-3} \mu K^2$ at l < 400 $5 \times 10^{-4} \mu K^2$ at l > 400

B-mode recovery sensitive to the use of a different foreground model

Casas+ subA&A

Example of 3 PCCS2 srcs @ 217 GHz in polarization

Example of 3 simulated srcs @ 217 GHz in polarization









$$Q = P \cos 2\psi \qquad \psi_{PQ} = \frac{1}{2} \cos^{-1}(Q/P)$$
$$U = -P \sin 2\psi \qquad \psi_{PU} = \frac{1}{2} \sin^{-1}(-U/P)$$



Relative errors to unbias the results Same for Q and U

Bin [Jy]	# PS	P _{QU}		Р	
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0.1-0.15	79	-29.95	31.03	-5.23	20.54
0.08-0.1	51	-33.79	35.65	-15.03	20.84
0.06-0.08	89	-31.49	45.02	-12.51	29.21
0.04-0.06	123	-26.20	44.59	-12.30	31.59
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P vs P_{OU} estimations (srcs w/ P>40 mJy)



POSPEN applied to PCCS2 positions Selection P_{raw} > 40 mJy: 63 sources (>5 times PCCS2 srcs)



P estimations comparisons

Bonavera+ TBS Pol. angle estimations comparison

Conclusions

NN reliable methods for PS detection and CMB recovery in T and P

> NN reliable methods also for foreground characterization in T and P

More flexible and automatic methods

> Very suitable for future experiments providing larger amounts of data

> Not a "filter" (no Fourier space), then no ringing or border effects

Conclusions – PS

Simulations

- Lower flux densities limit: larger number of detected PS
- Smaller number of spurious detections
- Multi-frequency methodology, very important for spectral characterization of galaxies
- Estimation of polarization angle for even not so bright PS

POSPEN 4 Planck

- Not stightforward application
- Discrepancies bw $P \& P_{QU}$?
- (hot pixels issue?)



Conclusions - CMB

- No PS mask needed
- No mask needed to avoid strong Galactic contamination regions
- Better performance at small scales
- Best performance when trained w/ lower noise
- Possible bias when trained w/ no accurate simulated sky components (also for traditional methods):

Train various NN w/ different simulated diffuse components and use Ensemble Learning