



# Rao Blackwell approximation for fast MCMC implementation of Bayesian blind source separation problems.

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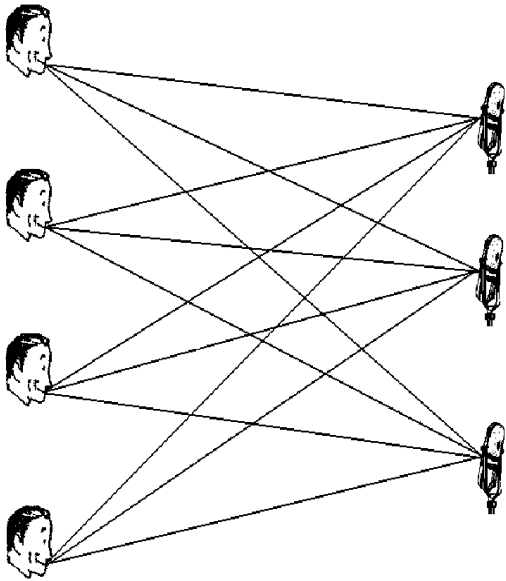
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## Organization of the talk

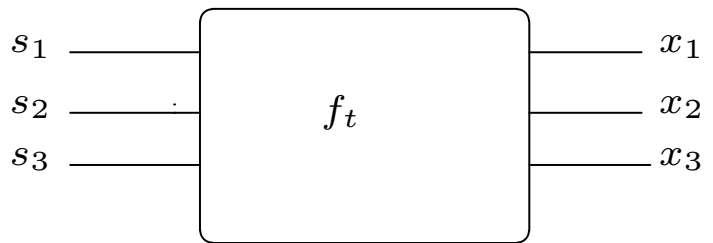
- Source separation problem  
—→ Bayesian approach
- Sources modelling  
—→ Hidden Markov Model
- EM algorithm.
- From SEM to RB-SEM.
- Application in satellite imaging.

# Problem description



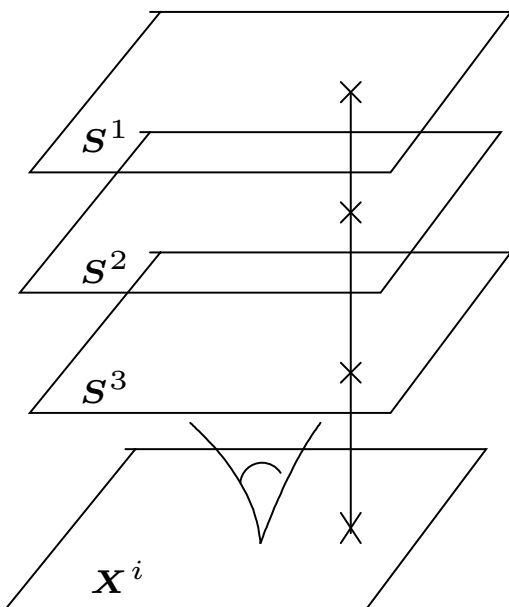
Mixture of sounds

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t)$$



$$\mathbf{x}(i, j) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(i, j) + \mathbf{b}(i, j)$$

Mixture of images



# Mixture of astrophysical emissions

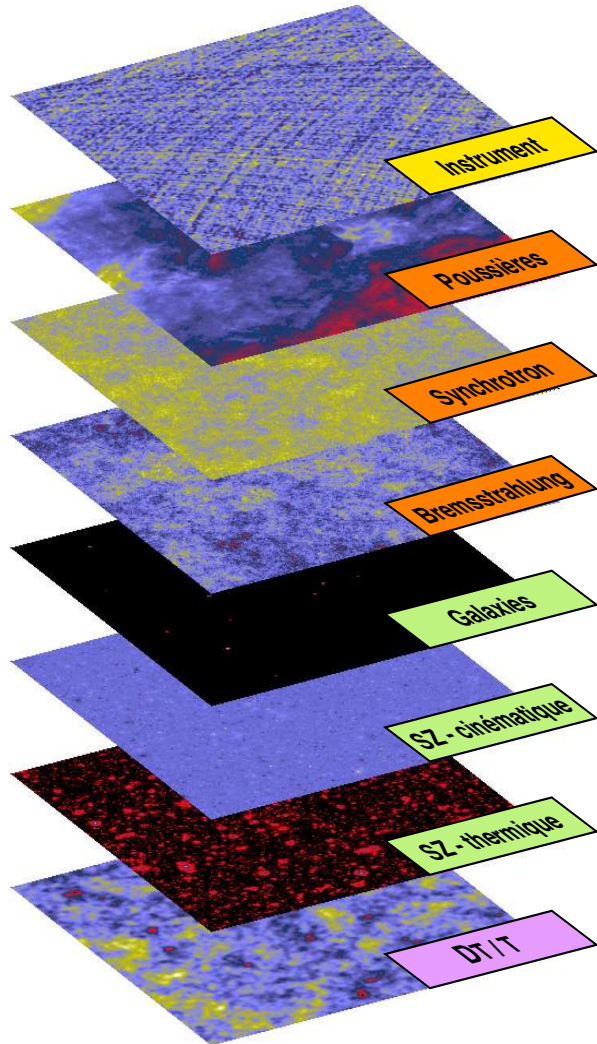
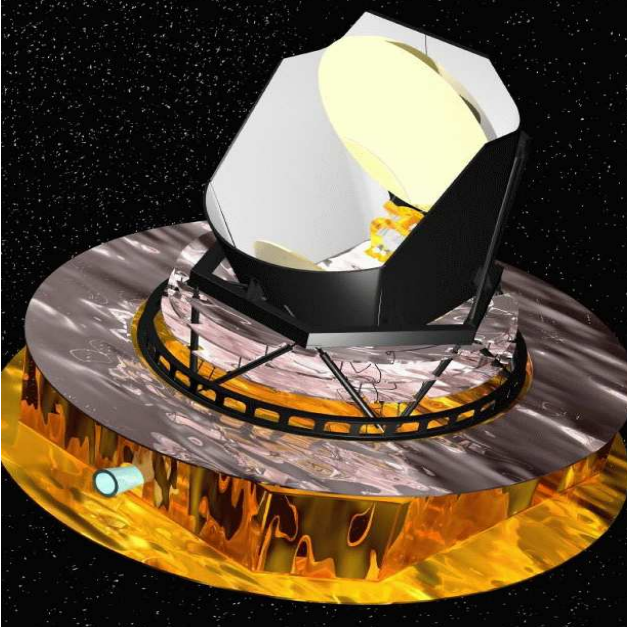
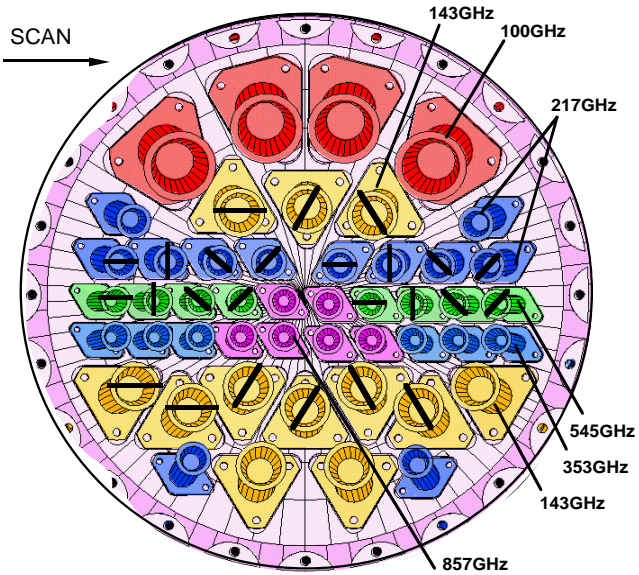


figure RUMBA, 1996



$$x = As + b.$$

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t), \quad t = 1..T.$$

- *a posteriori* distribution (Bayes rule) :  
[Mohammad-Djafari99, Knuth99]

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{A} | \mathbf{x}_{1..T}, \mathbf{I}) &\propto p(\mathbf{x}_{1..T} | \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{I})p(\mathbf{A} | \mathbf{I}) \\ &\propto \int p(\mathbf{x}_{1..T} | \mathbf{s}_{1..T}, \mathbf{A}) \underbrace{p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T})}_{\text{Choice?}} d\mathbf{s}_{1..T} \\ &\quad \times p(\mathbf{A} | \mathbf{I}) \end{aligned}$$

- **Hidden natural** structure :

$\mathbf{x}_{1..T}$   $\longrightarrow$  the incomplete data.

$\mathbf{s}_{1..T}$   $\longrightarrow$  the missing data.

- Relationship with independent component analysis (ICA) :
  - To take into account the **noise** in the model.
  - To exploit *a priori* information on the mixing coefficients  $\longrightarrow$  **regularization** of ICA in the noiseless case.
- **Choices of probabilities** for the noise, the sources, the mixing matrix... ?

## Sources modelling

- i.i.d non Gaussian [Gaeta90, Jutten91, Bermond00]
- correlated Gaussian [Belouchrani95]
- Non stationary Gaussians [Pham01]
- [Snoussi01d] : [Mixture of distributions](#)

$$p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{1..T}} p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T} | \mathbf{z}_{1..T}) P(\mathbf{z}_{1..T})$$

- **double** stochastic process :

Real sources	$\mathbf{s}_1$	$\mathbf{s}_2$	$\mathbf{s}_3$	...	$\mathbf{s}_T$
	↑	↑	↑	...	↑
Hidden sources	$\mathbf{z}_1$	$\mathbf{z}_2$	$\mathbf{z}_3$	...	$\mathbf{z}_T$

- Given the variables  $\mathbf{z}_{1..T}$ , the sources are temporally white :

$$p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T} | \mathbf{z}_{1..T}) = \prod_{t=1}^T p(\mathbf{s}_t | \mathbf{z}_t)$$

- The  $z_t$  take discrete values (classes) and are :
  - [independent](#) (mixture of Gaussians i.i.d),
  - or [correlated](#) with a Markovian structure (Markov chain 1-D, Markov field 2-D).

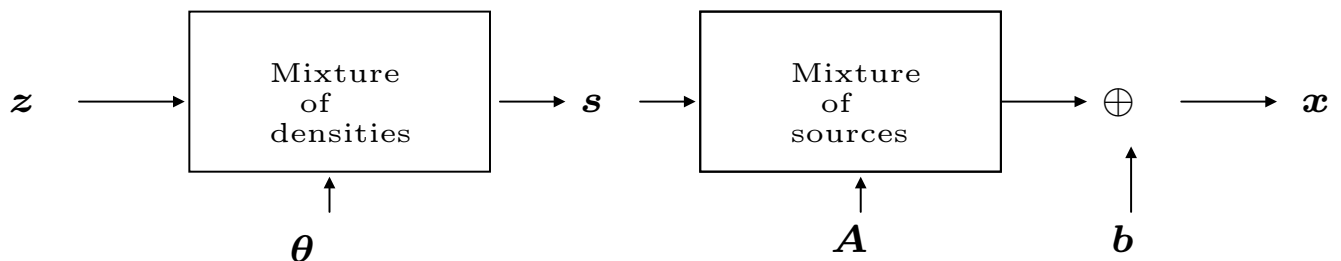
## Double hidden structure

- The sources  $(\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_T)$  are not **directly** observed :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_{1..T} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{s}_{1..T} + \mathbf{b}_{1..T}, \quad t = 1..T, \\ p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T}) = \sum_{\mathbf{z}_{1..T}} p(\mathbf{z}_{1..T}) p(\mathbf{s}_{1..T} | \mathbf{z}_{1..T}) \end{array} \right.$$

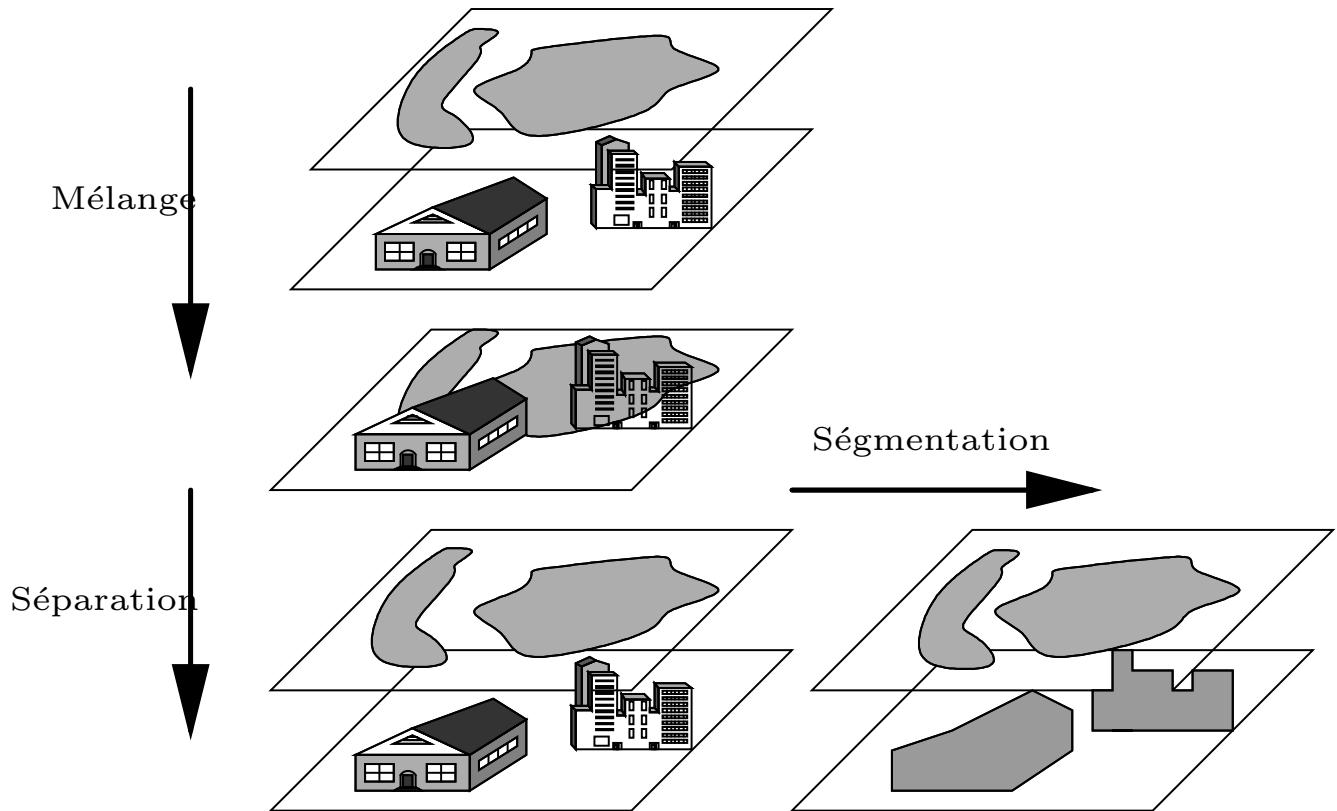
→  $(\mathbf{s}_1, \dots, \mathbf{s}_T)$  form a second stage of **hidden** variables.

Mixed sources	$\mathbf{x}_1$	$\mathbf{x}_2$	$\mathbf{x}_3$	$\dots$	$\mathbf{x}_T$
	↑	↑	↑	$\dots$	↑
Real sources	$\mathbf{s}_1$	$\mathbf{s}_2$	$\mathbf{s}_3$	$\dots$	$\mathbf{s}_T$
	↑	↑	↑	$\dots$	↑
Hidden labels	$z_1$	$z_2$	$z_3$	$\dots$	$z_T$





# Non stationarity



- Strong **similarity** between separation and segmentation : hidden variable problems  $\rightarrow$  algorithmic efficiency.

Interpretation of the separation criteria (given  $\mathbf{z}_{1..T}$ ) :

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{J} &= \log p(\mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{x}_{1..T}, \mathbf{z}_{1..T}) \\
 &= \underbrace{\sum_{z=1}^K \alpha_z D_{\mathcal{L}\mathcal{K}}(\mathbf{R}_{xx} \parallel \mathbf{A}\mathbf{R}_z\mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{R}_\epsilon)}_{\text{Covariances matching [Pham01]}} + \underbrace{\log p(\mathbf{A})}_{\text{regularization}}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Algorithmic aspects

$$\eta = (A, R_\epsilon, \theta)$$

- EM algorithm  $\longrightarrow$  start at  $\eta^{(0)}$ , iterate :

(i) **E.** (**Expectation**)  $\longrightarrow$  functional computation :

$$Q(\eta | \eta^{(k-1)}) = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{z}} [\log p(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{z} | \eta) + \log p(\eta) | \mathbf{x}, \eta^{(k-1)}]$$

(ii) **M.** (**Maximization**)  $\longrightarrow$  functional maximization :

$$\eta^{(k)} = \arg \max Q(\eta | \eta^{(k-1)})$$

Computation of marginal probabilities  $p(\mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_{1..T}, \eta^{(k-1)})$

- Cas 1-D : [Snoussi02a]

- EM exact  $\longrightarrow$  Baum Welsh procedure  $[O([\prod_{j=1}^n K_j]^2 T)]$ .
- Approximations of the EM :

$$[O([\prod_{j=1}^n K_j] T)]$$

Viterbi-EM, Gibbs-EM

reduction of the computation  
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$$[O([\sum_{j=1}^n K_j] T)]$$

Fast-Viterbi-EM, Fast-Gibbs-EM

reduction of the computation  
cost due to  
the spatial structure

## Algorithmic aspects : 2-D case

❑ Computation of labels probabilities **untractable**.

❑  $\longrightarrow$  **Stochastic** approximations of the EM

$\implies$  the **SEM** algorithm :

1. *a*- Simulate  $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}} \sim p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$

*b*- Simulate  $\tilde{\mathbf{S}} \sim p(\mathbf{S} | \mathbf{X}, \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}, \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$

*c*- Compute the functional :

$$\tilde{Q}(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)}) = \log p(\mathbf{X}, \tilde{\mathbf{S}}, \tilde{\mathbf{Z}} | \boldsymbol{\eta}) + \log p(\boldsymbol{\eta})$$

$\longrightarrow$  **Unbiased** estimator of  $Q(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$  (the EM functional).

2.  $\boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k)} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \tilde{Q}(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$ .

❑  $(\boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k)})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a Markov chain.

❑ Under some regularity conditions [Nielsen97], the estimator  $\boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k)}$  (in its **stationary** regime) is **asymptotically consistent**.

# From SEM to RB-SEM

- RB-SEM (Rao Blackwell SEM) :

1. Simulate  $M$  samples  $\mathbf{Z}^{(m)}$  ( $M$  images  $\mathbf{Z}$ ) according to  $p(\mathbf{Z} | \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$

2. Compute the functional :

$$\tilde{Q}(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)}) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_m \mathbb{E}_s \left[ \log p(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{Z}^{(m)} | \boldsymbol{\eta}) \right] + \log p(\boldsymbol{\eta})$$

→ Empirical sum on  $\mathbf{Z}$  and exact integration with respect to  $\mathbf{S}$ .

→ unbiased estimator of  $Q(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$

3.  $\boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k)} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \tilde{Q}(\boldsymbol{\eta} | \boldsymbol{\eta}^{(k-1)})$ .



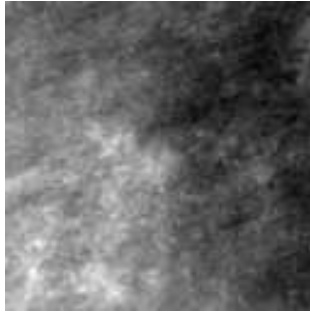
## From SEM to RB-SEM

- RB-SEM **more efficient** than the SEM algorithm due to the Rao Blackwell property when integrating with respect to the sources :

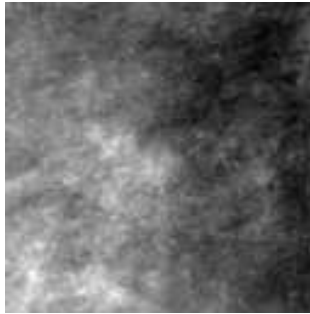
$$\text{Var}(\tilde{\eta}_n^{RB-SEM}) \leq \text{Var}(\tilde{\eta}_n^{SEM})$$

- RB-SEM **less time consuming** than SEM.
- RB-SEM is easily implemented for **general incomplete data** structure problems.
- The introduction of a second hidden set of random variables :
  - good alternative to **non parametrics**.
  - more **robustness** to stochastic versions of EM type algorithm.

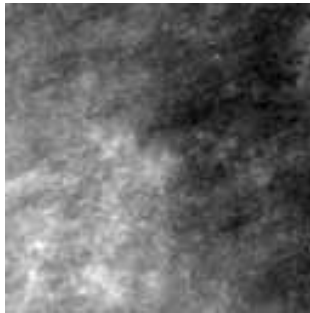
# Joint separation and segmentation



Original sources



Mixed sources



Separated sources



Segmented sources