Distributed Source Coding: Foundations, Constructions and Applications

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Motivation: sensor networks





- Consider correlated nodes X, Y
- Communication between X and Y expensive.
- Can we exploit correlation without communicating?
- Assume Y is compressed independently. How to compress X close to H(X|Y)?
- Key idea: discount I(X;Y).
 H(X|Y) = H(X) I(X;Y)

Distributed source coding: Slepian-Wolf '73



Distributed source coding

Source coding with side information: (Slepian-Wolf, '73, Wyner-Ziv, '76)



- Lossless coding (S-W): no loss of performance over when Y is available at both ends if the statistical correlation between X and Y is known.
- Lossy coding (W-Z): for Gaussian statistics, no loss of performance over when Y known at both ends.
- Constructive solutions: (Pradhan & Ramchandran (DISCUS) DCC '99,

Garcia-Frias & Zhao Comm. Letters '01, Aaron & Girod DCC '02.

Liveris, Xiong & Georghiades DCC '03,...)

Employs statistical instead of deterministic mindset.

Example: 3-bit illustration

- Let X and Y be length-3 binary data (equally likely), with the correlation: Hamming distance between X and Y is at most 1.
- Example: When X=[0 1 0], Y is equally likely to be [0 1 0], [0 1 1], [0 0 0], [1 1 0].



Example: 3-bit illustration



- X and Y are correlated
- Y is available only at decoder (side information)
- What is the best that one can do?
 - The answer is still 2 bits!
 - How?





- Encoder: sends the index of the coset (bin) containing X.
- Decoder: using index and Y, decode X without error.
- Coset 1 is a length-3 repetition code
- Each coset has a unique associated "syndrome"

Use of syndromes in IT literature: Wyner '74, Csiszar '82 Practical code construction (DISCUS): SP& KR '99

Example: geometric illustration



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Assume signal and noise are Gaussian, iid



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Example: scalar Wyner-Ziv



Partition



Encoder: send the index of the coset (log23 bits)

Decoder: decode X based on Y and signaled coset

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Source coding: lossless case [Shannon '49]

- Source alphabet *X*
- Source distribution ~ $p_X(x)$

$$X \longrightarrow \text{Encoder} \longrightarrow \text{Decoder} \longrightarrow X$$

- Encoder: $e: X^N \to \{1, 2, ..., 2^{NR}\}$
- **Decoder:** $f: \{1, 2, ..., 2^{NR}\} \to X^N$
- Goal: minimize rate R such that probability of decoding error ~ 0
- Answer: $R \ge H(X)$
- Idea: index only typical sequences

Set of all N-length sequences (Size $\approx 2^{N\log|x|}$)

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Source coding: lossy case [Shannon '58]

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• Goal: minimize rate R such that expected distortion < D

• Answer:
$$R \ge R(D) = \min_{p(\hat{x}|x): Ed(X, \hat{X}) \le D} I(X; \hat{X})$$

Idea

- Cover typical set with "spheres" of radius D,
- Index these "spheres"
- Size of each "sphere" $\approx 2^{NH(X|\hat{X})}$
- Rate = $H(X) H(X | \hat{X}) = I(X; \hat{X})$
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- Choosing p(u|x) fixes the joint distribution of X,Y,U using Markov chain condition $Y \rightarrow X \rightarrow U$ as p(y)p(x|y)p(u|x)
- The decoder has two looks at X: through U, through Y
- Get an optimal estimate of X given U and Y: $\hat{X} = g(U, Y)$
- SI Y is used twice: recovering U, estimating X

•
$$R \ge R_{WZ}(D) = \min_{p(u|x): Ed(X, \hat{X}) \le D} I(X; U) - I(U; Y)$$

Y-sequence

Conditionally typical sequences of U|Y

Remark

- Quantizer for the source X is partitioned into cosets (shift) of channel codebooks for the fictitious channel with i/p U and o/p Y
- Contrast between two kinds of many-to-one encoding functions:
 - Quantization: sequences that get the same index are nearby

Binning: sequences that get the same index are far apart



Example: Gaussian with quadratic distortion

Lossy source coding with no side information

- X is zero-mean Gaussian with variance
- Quadratic distortion: $d(x, \hat{x}) = (x \hat{x})^2$
- $R(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sigma_x^2}{D} \right)$
- Test channel is given by:




Example: Gaussian with quadratic distortion

Lossy source coding with side information

- X=Y+N, where N is zero-mean Gaussian with variance σ_N^2
- Y is arbitrary and independent of N
- Quadratic distortion: $d(x, \hat{x}) = (x \hat{x})^2$

•
$$R_{X|Y}(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{D}\right)$$

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Lossy source coding with side information at decoder only

Source, side information, and distortion as before

• $R_{WZ}(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{D} \right) \rightarrow$ no performance loss for lack of Y at encoder

 Test channel when SI is present at both ends



Test channel when SI is present at decoder only



 $\Rightarrow p(u \mid x) =$ Gaussian

mean = αx

$$\operatorname{var} = \frac{D(\sigma_n^2 - D)}{\sigma_n^2}$$

 $\hat{X} = U + (1 - \alpha)Y$

Distributed source coding: lossless case



• Minimize rate pair R_X , R_Y such that probability of decoding error ~ 0



Example

- X and Y → length-7 equally likely binary data with Hamming distance between them at most 1.
 - H(X)= 7 bits
 - H(Y|X) = 3 bits = H(Y|X)
 - H(X,Y)=10 bits



Distributed source coding: lossy case



• Minimize rate pair R_X , R_Y such that $E[d_X(X, \hat{X})] \le D_X$, and $E[d_Y(Y, \hat{Y})] \le D_Y$

- Optimal performance limit: open problem!
- Approach: [Berger-Tung '77]
 - Quantize Y to V
 - Treat V as side information

Distributed source coding: lossy case

Berger-Tung achievable rate region

$$R_X \ge I(X;U) - I(U;V)$$

$$R_Y \ge I(Y;V) - I(U;V)$$

$$R_X + R_Y \ge I(X;U) + I(Y;V) - I(U;V)$$



Remarks

- All results \rightarrow random quantization and binning
- Structured random codes may give a better performance than unstructured random codes [Korner-Marton '79]
- Structured codes for quantization and binning is a topic of active research.

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Active area of recent research

- Theory
 - D. Slepian & J. Wolf ('73)
 - A. Wyner ('74)
 - A. Wyner & J. Ziv ('76)
 - I. Csiszar ('82)
 - Zamir et al ('02, '03, '04)
 - S. Pradhan & K. Ramchandran ('05)
 - Many More...
- Source coding with side information I.I.D. Sources
 - A. Orlitsky ('93, Graph Theoretic)
 - S. Pradhan & K. Ramchandran ('99)
 - Y. Zhao & J. Garcia-Frias ('02, larger alphabets)
 - A. Liveris, Z. Xiong, & C. Georghiades ('02)
 - D. Schonberg, S. Pradhan, & K. Ramchandran ('02)
 - P. Mitran & J. Bajcsy ('02)
 - A. Aaron & B. Girod ('02)
 - A. Liveris, Z. Xiong, & C. Georgihades ('03)
 - J. Li, Z. Tu, & R. Blum ('04)
 - M. Sartipi & F. Fekri ('05)
- Source coding with side information Correlated Sources
 - J. Garcia-Frias & W. Zhong ('03)
 - D. Varodayan, A. Aaron, & B. Girod ('06)

Example

- X and Y -> length-7 equally likely binary data with Hamming distance between them at most 1.
 - H(X) = ? bits
 - H(Y|X) = ? bits = H(Y|X)
 - H(X,Y)=? bits

Answer:

•H(x)=H(Y)=7 bits, H(X,Y)=10 bits

- •Use (7,4,3) Hamming code
- •Send Y as is (7 bits)
- •Send syndrome for X (3 bits)



Symmetric Coding



- Example:
 - X and Y -> length-7 equally likely binary data.
 - Hamming distance between X and Y is at most 1

Solution 1:

- Y sends its data with 7 bits.
- X sends syndromes with 3 bits.
- {(7,4) Hamming code } -> Total of 10 bits
- Solution 2: source splitting [Willems '88, Urbanke-Rimoldi '97]
- Can correct decoding be done if X and Y send 5 bits each ?

Symmetric Coding

Solution: Map valid (X,Y) pairs into a coset matrix [SP & KR '00]



- Construct 2 codes, assign them to encoders
- Encoders \rightarrow send index of coset of codes containing the outcome



$G_1, G_2 \Longrightarrow 2 \times 7 \Longrightarrow$ Syndromes are 5 bits long

- Decoder: Find a pair of codewords (one from each coset) that satisfy the distance criterion
- There exists a fast algorithm for this
- This concept can be generalized to Euclidean-space codes.



The rate region is:

$$\left\{\begin{array}{cc}R_x, R_y: & R_x \ge 3, R_y \ge 3\\ & R_x + R_y \ge 10\end{array}\right\}$$



- All 5 optimal points can be constructively achieved with the same complexity.
- All are based on a single linear code
- Can be generalized to arbitrary statistics [Schonberg et al. 2002]

LDPC Codes: Brief Overview

- Need linear codes \Rightarrow use LDPC codes.
- Class of capacity approaching linear block codes.
- Sparse parity check matrix depicted by Tanner graph
 - Circles represent bits.
 - Squares represent constraints.



LDPC Codes Overview: decoding

- Decoded via message passing algorithm.
- Messages passed in two phases.
 - Update rules:



Distribution of each variable estimated after n iterations. $p(x_i) = \frac{1}{Z} \prod_{s \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \mu_{si}(x_i)$

Source coding w/ side information at decoder

- X=Y+N, Y is arbitrary
- N is zero-mean Gaussian with variance σ_n^2
- Y and N are independent
- Quadratic distortion: $d(x, \hat{x})$
- Performance limit: $R_{WZ}(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{D} \right)$
- Key idea: source codebook partitioned into cosets of channel codebooks
- Goal: computationally efficient way to construct
 - Source codebook (quantizer) with an encoding procedure
 - Partition of the quantizer into cosets of channel codebooks



Symmetric Coding: illustration

- Source bits, compressed bits, and LDPC code applied to Y
- Source bits, compressed bits, and LDPC code applied to K
- Correlation constraints



Standard	Distributed
source coding	source coding
 Boundary gain ~ 6 - 9 dB:	Coding gain ~ 6 - 9 dB: achieved by
achieved by entropy coding	partition using LDPC channel codes
 Granular gain ~ 1.53 dB: achieved	 Granular gain ~ 1.53 dB: achieved
by vector quantization	by vector quantization
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Standard	Distributed
source coding	source coding
 VQ and entropy coding can be	 VQ and partition using channel codes
done independently	cannot be done independently
 TCQ gets 1.36 dB of granular gain	Algebraic structure of TCQ does not
=> within 0.15 dB from R-D limit	"gel" well with that of LDPC codes
	 Need new block-coded quantization techniques!

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Role of "source codes"

"Source Code": Desired distortion performance.

Joint quantization and estimation:



Active source codeword: Codeword -> X is quantized.

Quantization: Quantize X to W W => "Source Codes"

Estimation: Estimate X using W and Y.

Role of "channel codes"

- "Channel Codes": Reduce source coding rate by exploiting correlation
- Partition of the "source codes" into cosets of "channel codes":



- Y and W are correlated=>induces an equivalent channel p(y|w).
- Build "channel coset codes" on W for channel p(y|w)

Role of "channel codes"

Partition W into cosets of such "channel codes".



- Source code => a collection of channel codes.
- Send index of coset

Decoder:

- Recovers active source codeword by channel decoding Y in given coset
- Channel decoding fails => Outage

Encoder and Decoder Structure



Distributed Source Coding Theory

Source coding theory

- Quantization
- Indexing
- Fidelity criterion
- Channel coding theory
 - Algebraic structure
 - Minimum distance
 - Prob. of decoding error
- Estimation theory
 - Estimation with rate constraints

Intricate Interplay

Basic Concept

Illustrative Example:



Consider a fixed-length scalar quantizer (say with 8 levels)

Partition:



Trellis based coset construction

Example: Rate of transmission= 1 bit/ source sample. Quantizer: fixed-length scalar quantizer ->8 levels.

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$$C = \{ r_0, r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5, r_6, r_7 \} =>$$
set of codewords.

- C^N has 2^{3N} sequences
- Partition C^N into 2^N cosets each containing 2^{2N} sequences.
- Use Ungerboeck trellis for such partitioning.

Trellis Coding:



-Sequences generated by this machine form a coset in space C^L

Coset ->
$$2^{2N}$$
 sequences.

Trellis Partitioning:

- Source Codebook = C^N
- Channel Codebook= set of sequences generated by the finite state machine
- Task: partition C^N into 2^N cosets, containing 2^{2N} sequences (in a computationally efficient way)



Fast Encoding: Send syndrome sequence of active codeword

• Fast Decoding: Modified Viterbi algorithm using relabeling.

Trellis Partitioning

• Connection with earlier picture $C = \{r_0, r_1, ..., r_7\} \rightarrow \text{codewords of scalar quantizer}$



Simulation Results

- Model:
 - Source: X~ i.i.d. Gaussian
 - □ Side information: Y= X+N, where N ~ i.i.d. Gaussian
 - Correlation SNR: ratio of variances of X and N
 - Normalized distortion: ratio of distortion and variance of X
 - Effective source coding rate = 1 bit per source sample
- Quantizers:
 - Fixed-length scalar quantizers with 4, 8 and 16 levels
- Shannon R-D Bound: distortion= -6.021 dB at 1 bit/sample.

Simulation Results









Approaches based on codes on graph

- Trellis codes \rightarrow codes on graph to effect this partition
- Need good source code and good channel code
- Start with simple (not so good) source codebook and very good channel codebooks.
- Use belief propagation at the decoder to recover active source codeword

Reminder: graphical models

- Factor Graphs
 - Circles: Variables, Squares: Constraints
- Graphical representation for linear transformation
 - Y source bits, U compressed bits
 - Squares Linear transformation Equations
- Transformation inversion: Belief propagation
 - Iterative application of inference algorithm



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Xiong et al., Garcia-Frias et al.

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Multi-level Coding using binary block codes of code rate 2/3



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within 1.53 dB from R-D limit
| Partitioning based on LDPC codes Connection with earlier picture:

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Set of N-length sequences generated by the block code



Binary Memoryless Sources

- X, Y: binary symmetric correlated sources
- Correlation: $Y = X \oplus Z$, Z is Bernoulli(p) and independent of X

▶ Encoder

→ Decoder

- Distortion: $d(x, \hat{x}) = w_H(x \oplus \hat{x})$
- Goal:
 - Build a quantizer for X (U represents the quantized version)
 - Build a channel code for the channel with i/p U and o/p Y
 - Put a linear structure on both quantizer and channel code
 - Channel code is a subcode of the quantizer => induces a coset partition

Binary Memoryless Sources

Linear codes:



• Channel code:

- Theory of binary linear channel codes \rightarrow well-developed
- LDPC codes with belief propagation (BP) algorithm
- Gets the ultimate rebate I(U;Y)

Block quantizer:

- LDPC codes are not good quantizers, BP fails for quantization
- A new theory of binary block quantizers
- LDGM (low-density generator matrix) codes
- Survey propagation (SP) algorithm [Mezard 2002, Wainwright-Martinian 2006]]



Channel decoding: belief propagation approximates min. distance decoding



Quantization: survey propagation approximates min. distance encoding

Lattice codes:



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Connections and Applications

- Fundamental duality between source coding and channel coding with side-information
 - Media security: data-hiding, watermarking, steganography
- Digital upgrade of legacy analog systems
- M-channel Multiple Description codes
- Robust rate-constrained distributed estimation (CEO problem)
- Media broadcast using hybrid analog/digital techniques
- Distributed compression in sensor networks
- Compression of encrypted data
- Distributed Video Coding

Duality b/w source & channel coding with SI





SP, J. Chou and KR, Trans. on IT, May 2003

Multimedia Watermarking and Data Hiding

Embed (authentication) signature that is robust



- The encoder sends watermarked image X
- Attacker distorts X to Y
- Decoder extracts watermark from Y

Application: digital audio/video simulcast

Ex.: Upgrading NTSC to HDTV with a digital side-channel. (also PAL+)



SP & KR,, DCC '01

Application: spectrum "recycling"



analog an digital quality? \rightarrow Need a combination of SCSI/CCSI

R.Puri, V. Prabhakran & KR, Trans. On Info Theory, April '08

Hybrid Analog-Digital Simulcast

What is noise for analog receiver is music for digital receiver!







R.Puri, V. Prabhakran & KR, Trans. On Info Theory, April '08

Multiple Description (MD) coding \dot{l}_1 l_{2} Packet **Erasure** Encoder Decoder **Network** n \boldsymbol{l}_m

- Packet erasure model: *some* subset of packets reach decoder.
- Connection to DSC: Uncertainty re. *which* packets reach decoder?
- Fundamental connection between MD coding and distributed source coding: leads to new achievable rate results!

R.Puri, SP & KR (Trans. on IT- Jan 04, Apr 05)

Distributed rate-constrained estimation



- Sensors make noisy (correlated) measurements of a physical quantity *X*, e.g., temperature, pressure, seismic waves, audio data, video signals, etc.
- Central decoder needs to estimate X (many-one topology).
- Power conservation, node failures, communication failure => need **robustness**.

Robust distributed rate-constrained estimation

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Robust distributed rate-constrained estimation

- For a (*k*, *k*) reliable Gaussian network, full range of rate-MSE tradeoff: [*Oohama, IT 1998, Prabhakaran, Tse & KR ISIT 2001*].
- For an (*n*, *k*) **unreliable** Gaussian network, can match above performance for the reception of **any** *k* packets and get better quality upon receiving more packets!
- => Robustness without loss in performance.



P.Ishwar, R. Puri, SP & KR, IPSN'03.

Adaptive filtering for distributed compression in sensor networks

J. Chou, D. Petrovic & KR: "A distributed and adaptive signal processing approach to exploiting correlation in sensor networks." <u>Ad Hoc Networks 2(4)</u>: 387-403 (2004).

Deployment setup

- Network consists of many sensors, a few controllers, and a few actuators
- Sensors give their measurements to controllers, which process them and make decisions
- Many sensors have highly correlated data
- It would be beneficial to exploit this correlation to compress sensor readings



Challenges of Real World

- Theory says what is possible given the correlation.
- Codes exist which achieve bounds when correlation is known.
- How does one find the correlation?



Setup

- Controller receives uncoded data from sensors
- 2. Breaks them up into clusters s.t. nodes within cluster are highly correlated
- 3. Tells each cluster what code-book to use



Tree-Structured Code

• Depth of tree specifies number of bits used for encoding



• Path in the tree specifies the encoded value.

• Can tolerate $2^{i-1}\Delta$ of correlation noise using an i^{th} level codebook

How Much Compression?

- Sensor nodes measure X, data controller node has Y
- Controller needs to estimate number of bits, *i*, it needs from sensor nodes for *X*.

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$$X = Y + N$$
; $N =$ correlation noise

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$$P[|N| > 2^{i-1}\Delta] \le \frac{\sigma_N^2}{\left(2^{i-1}\Delta\right)^2} \implies i \ge \frac{1}{2}\log_2\left(\frac{\sigma_N^2}{\Delta^2 P_e}\right) + 1$$

Decoding and Correlation Tracking



Decoding of compressed readings and correlation tracking



B(n) = decoded readings of all other sensors

c(n) = coset index of x(n), sent by encoder of x

i(n+1) = number of bits to use in encoding x at time n+1, fed back to encoder of x

Adaptation Algorithm

- U(n) = Mx1 input at time n
- y(n) = W(n)' * U(n)
- Use DISCUS decoding to find x(n)
- e(n) = x(n) y(n)
- $W(n+1) = W(n) + \mu^* e(n)^* u(n)$

Experimental Setup

- Collected data from PicoRadio test-bed nodes
- 5 light,
 - 5 temperature,
 - 5 humidity sensors
- Data was collected and used for testing real-time algorithms





Simulations (correlation tracking)



Compressing encrypted content without the cryptographic key

Secure multimedia for home networks

- Uncompressed encrypted video (HDCP protocol)
 - Can increase wireless range with lower data rate
 - But how to compress encrypted video without access to crytpographic key?



Application: Compressing Encrypted Data

Traditional/Best Practice:



Novel Structure:



Johnson & Ramchandran (ICIP 2003), Johnson et. al (Trans. on SP, Oct. 2004)



Decoding compressed Image



Final Reconstructed Image







Illustration: coding in action

- Bits of Source Y
- Bits of Source K
- Y,K correlation
- LDPC code applied to Y
- Compressed bits of Y





Johnson, Ishwar, Prabhakaran & KR (Trans. on SP, Oct. 2004)

Framework: Encryption

Encryption:

- Stream cipher
 - $y_i = x_i \oplus k_i$
- Graphical model captures exact encryption relationship







2-D Markov Model



X_n
Encrypted image compression results

- 100 x 100 pixel image (10,000 bits)
- No compression possible with IID model

1-D Markov Source Model



Source Image Encrypted Image Compressed Bits Decoded Image



2-D Markov Source Model

Key problems

- Data $\mathbf{X} \sim p(\mathbf{X})$
- When source statistics $p(\mathbf{X})$ are unknown
 - How to learn how much to compress?
 - How fast can limits be learned?
- When source statistics $p(\mathbf{X})$ are known
 - How to develop practical compression codes?
 - How well can they perform?



"Blind" compression protocol

- For development: X is IID, X ~ *Bernoulli(Q)*
- Blocks indexed by i
- Encoder uses source estimate \hat{Q}_i , $\hat{Q}_0 = 0.5$
- Compressible: R = H(X) = H(Q)







Rate selection



Use ε redundancy to account for error in Q estimate

Redundancy \mathcal{E}_i

• Choose ε_i parameter to minimize redundancy.

- □ Large → Low Pr(error), High R_i
- Small \rightarrow High Pr(error), Low R_i
- Define c_i as the transmission rate of block i.
- Minimize expected total rate: $E[c_i] = \Pr[e_i]\ln(2) + E[R_i]$
- Intuition ε_i must go down ~ $1/\sqrt{l}$

$$\hat{Q}_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_j / n_i$$

 $\Box \quad E[\hat{Q}_{i}] = Q, \ \sigma_{\hat{Q}_{i}} = \sqrt{Q(1-Q)} / \sqrt{n_{i}}$



Analysis assumptions and bound

- Decoding errors are detected
- Decoding errors occur when empirical entropy exceed code rate (perfect codes)
 ENCODER BITS RATE
 DECODER ETS RATE



• Resulting Bound Form: $E[c_i] \le H(Q) + C_1 \varepsilon_i + C_2 \exp\{-C_3 l_i \varepsilon_i^2\}$

- □ Linear term \rightarrow Make ε small
- □ Exponential term → ε decays slower than $1/\sqrt{l_i}$

Results – Memoryless source



• $H(Q_1 = .027) = 0.17912$

- Uncompressed transmission (top line)
- With knowledge of source statistic Q (bottom line)

Temporal Prediction Scheme



Compression of encrypted video

Video offers both temporal and spatial prediction Decoder has access to unencrypted prior frames







	Blind approach (encoder has no access to key)
Foreman	Saves 33.00%
Garden	Saves 17.64%
Football	Saves 7.17%

Schonberg, Yeo, Draper & Ramchandran, DCC '07

Distributed Video Compression

Active research area

- Puri and KR: Allerton'02, ICASSP'03, ICIP'03.
- Aaron, Zhang and Girod: Asilomar'02
- Aaron, Rane, Zhang and Girod: DCC'03
- Aaron, Setton and Girod: ICIP'03
- Sehgal, Jagmohan and Ahuja: DCC'03, ICIP'03.
- Wang, Majumdar and KR: ACM MM'04
- Yaman and AlRegib: ICASSP'04
- Xu & Xiong: VCIP '04
- Wang & Ortega: ICIP '04

First side-information-coding based video coding idea was however in 1978!!

Application scope

Motivation: Uncertainty in the side information

- Low complexity encoding
- Transmission packet drops
- Multicast & scalable video coding
- Flexible decoding
- Physically distributed sources
 - Multi-camera setups
- Other interesting applications?

Low complexity encoding

Motivation



Aaron, Zhang & Girod, Asilomar 2002 Artigas, Ascenso, Dalai, Klomp, Kubasov & Ouaret, PCS 2007



- FEC solutions may be inadequate
- Can be made compatible with existing codec
- Corrupted current frame is S-I at DSC robustness decoder

A. Aaron, S. Rane, D. Rebollo-Monedero & B. Girod: DCC'03, ICIP'04, ICIP'05

Sehgal, A. Jagmohan & N. Ahuja: Trans'04

J. Wang, A. Majumdar, K. Ramchandran & H. Garudadri: PCS'04, ICASSP'05

Multicast & scalable video coding



Multicast

Accommodate heterogeneous users

- Different channel conditions
- Different video qualities (spatial, temporal, PSNR)

Majumdar & Ramchandran, ICIP 2004 Tagliasacchi, Majumdar & Ramchandran, PCS 2004 Sehgal, Jagmohan & Ahuja, PCS 2004 Wang, Cheung & Ortega, EURASIP 2006 Xu & Xiong, Trans. Image Processing 2006

Flexible decoding

- $\{Y_1, Y_2, ..., Y_N\}$ could be
 - Neighboring frames in time
 - \rightarrow forward/backward playback without buffering
 - Neighboring frames in space
 → random access to frame in multi-view setup



Cheung, Wang & Ortega, VCIP 2006, PCS 2007 Draper & Martinian, ISIT 2007

Multi-camera setups

- Dense placement of low-end video sensors
- Sophisticated back-end processing
 - 3-D view reconstruction
 - Object tracking
 - Super-resolution
- Multi-view coding and transmission





Other applications?

- Rate-efficient camera calibration
 - Visual correspondence determination



Tosic & Frossard, EUSIPCO 2007 Yeo, Ahammad & Ramchandran, VCIP 2008



PRISM: DSC based video compression

Motivation:

- Low encoding complexity
- Robustness under low latency

A closer look at temporal aspects of video



Motion is a "local" phenomenon
 Block-motion estimation is key to success









- Frame-level treatment of DFD ignores block-level statistical variations.
- Suggests block-level study of side-information coding problem
- Challenge: How to approach MCPC-like performance with/without doing motion search at the encoder?



Motion-free encoding?



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- The decoder does not know T
- The encoder may work at rate: $R(D) + (1/n) \log M$ bits per pixel.
- How to decode and what is the performance?



- Let's cheat and let the decoder have the motion vector T → "classical" Wyner-Ziv problem
- The encoder works at same rate as predictive coder

What if there is no genie?



- Can decoding work without a genie?
 Yes
- Can we match the performance of predictive coding?
 Yes (when DFD statistics are Gaussian)

Ishwar, Prabhakaran, and KR, ICIP '03.

Theorem



- Source Encoding with side-information under Ambiguous State Of Nature (SEASON)
 - The encoder does not have $Y_1, ..., Y_M$
 - Neither the decoder nor the encoder knows T
 - The MSE is still the same as for the MCPC codec
 - **Theorem:** SEASON codecs have the same rate-distortion performance as the MCPC codec for Gaussian DFD, i.e. $R(D) = \frac{1}{2} \log(\sigma_Z^2/D)$

Theorem (cont'd)



- Source Encoding with side-information under Ambiguous State Of Nature (SEASON)
 - Theorem: SEASON codecs have the same rate-distortion performance as the genie-aided codecs. This performance is (in general)

 $R(D) = \min_{I} I(U;X) - I(U;Y_T)$

subj. $X \leftrightarrow Y_T \leftrightarrow U$ is Markov, and $f(\cdot, \cdot)$ such that $E[(X-f(Y_T, U))^2] = D$



Noisy channel: drift analysis



• All that matters:

Targeted syndrome code noise ≥ Video innovation + Effect of Channel + Quantization Noise

Results

 Qualcomm's channel simulator for CDMA 2000 1X wireless networks



 Stefan (SIF, 2.2 Mbps, 5% error)
Challenges: correlation estimation



- PRISM:
 - Superior performance over lossy channels.
 - But compression efficiency inferior to predictive codecs.
- Challenge: correlation estimation, i.e. finding H(X|Y) = H(N)
- N = Video innovation + Effect of channel + Quantization noise

Hard to model without motion search

- Without accurate estimate of the total noise statistics, need to overdesign → compression inefficiency.
- What if complexity were less of a constraint and we allow motion search at the encoder?

What if complexity were less of a constraint?

- Allow motion search at encoder \rightarrow can model video innovation
- Distributed Video Coding can approach the performance of predictive coders when it estimates the correlation structure accurately
- How to enhance robustness by considering effect of channel?

Modeling effect of channel at enc.: finding H(X | Y')

• Efficient strategy to exploit natural diversity in video data



- Encoder has access to both Y and Z
- Fact: there is natural diversity in video data
 - An *intact* second best predictor (P₂) is typically a better predictor than a *corrupted* best predictor (P₁)
 - Can be viewed as motion search with two candidates.
- The decoder *knows* to use the better of P_1 or P_2 as SI.
- We have control over uncertainty set at decoder

J. Wang, V. Prabhakaran & KR: ICIP'06



If we have some knowledge about the channel:
Y' = $\begin{cases} Y \text{ if } Y \text{ is intact} & \text{with probability (1-p)} \\ Z \text{ if } Y \text{ is corrupted} & \text{with probability p} \end{cases}$

• We obtain H(X|Y', decoder state) = (1-p)*H(X|Y) + p*H(X|Z) Another way to think about it



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Yet another way to think about it



• H(X|Y', decoder state) = (1-p)*H(X|Y) + p*H(X|Z)



Robustness result

Setup:

- Channel:
 - Simulated Gilbert-Elliot channel with $p_g = 0.03$ and $p_b = 0.3$



Robustness result

Setup:

- Channel:
 - Simulated CDMA 2000 1x channel

Stefan (SIF) sequence

1 GOP = 20 frames

1 mbps baseline, 1.3 mbps total (15 fps)

7.1% average packet drop rate



Football (SIF) sequence 1 GOP = 20 frames 900 kbps baseline, 1.12 mbps total (15 fps) 7.4% average packet drop rate



Videos

Garden

352x240, 1.4 mbps, 15 fps, gop size 15, 4% error (Gilbert Elliot channel with 3% error rate in good state and 30% in bad state)



Football

352x240, 1.12 mbps, 15 fps, gop 15, simulated CDMA channel with 5% error



DSC for multi-camera video transmission

Distributed multi-view coding

Video decoder operates jointly



Active area of research

- Distributed multi-view image compression
 - Down-sample + Super-resolution [Wagner, Nowak & Baraniuk, ICIP 2003]
 - Geometry estimation + rendering [Zhu, Aaron & Girod, SSP 2003]
 - Direct coding of scene structure [Gehrig & Dragotti, ICIP 2005] [Tosic & Frossard, ICIP 2007]
 - Unsupervised learning of geometry [Varodayan, Lin, Mavlankar, Flierl & Girod, PCS 2007]

• ...

- Distributed multi-view video compression
 - Geometric constraints on motion vectors in multiple views [Song, Bursalioglu, Roy-Chowdhury & Tuncel, ICASSP 2006] [Yang, Stankovic, Zhao & Xiong, ICIP 2007]
 - Fusion of temporal and inter-view side-information [Ouaret, Dufaux & Ebrahimi, VSSN 2006] [Guo, Lu, Wu, Gao & Li, VCIP 2006]
 - MCTF followed by disparity compensation [Flierl & Girod, ICIP 2006]

• ...

- Robust distributed multi-view video compression
 - Disparity search / View synthesis search [Yeo, Wang & Ramchandran, ICIP 2007]

Robust distributed multi-view video transmission



Side information from other camera views



Y" = neighboring Frame t **Y**' = corrupted Frame t-1

How should we look in other camera views?

- Naïve approach of looking everywhere can be extremely rate-inefficient
- Possible approaches
 - View synthesis search
 - Disparity search

Epipolar geometry

- Given an image point in one view, corresponding point in the second view is on the epipolar line
- Upshot: Disparity search is reduced to a 1-D search



Decoder disparity search



Extension of decoder motion search using epipolar geometry

[Yeo & Ramchandran, VCIP 2007]

PRISM-DS vs MPEG with FEC

- "Ballroom" sequence (from MERL)
 - 320x240, 960 Kbps, 30fps, GOP size 25, 8% average packet loss







Original

MPEG+FEC

PRISM-DS

Drift is reduced in PRISM-DS

[Yeo & Ramchandran, VCIP 2007]