



# Sparsity in Signal and Image Processing: from modeling and representation to reconstruction and processing

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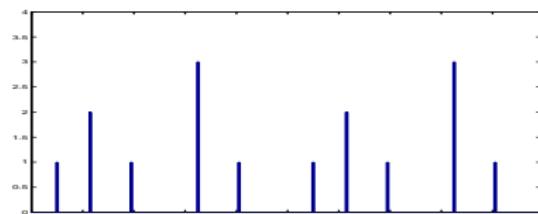
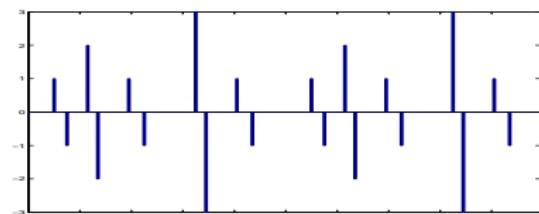
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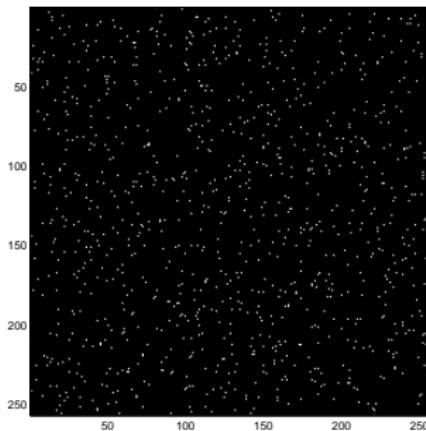
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# 1. Sparse signals and images

- Sparse signals: Direct sparsity

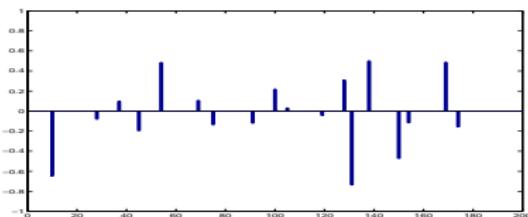
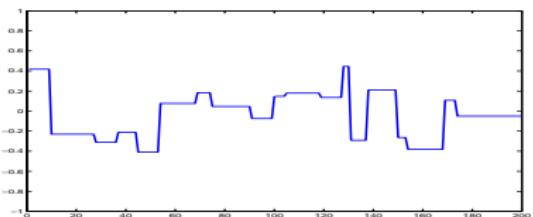


- Sparse images: Direct sparsity

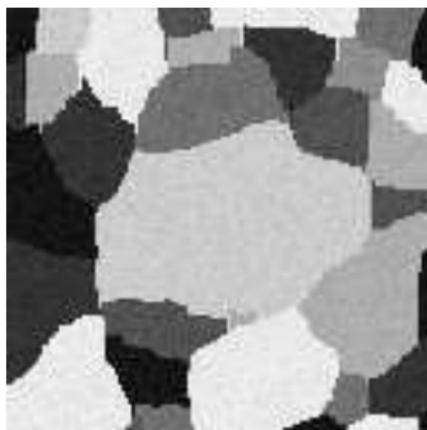


# Sparse signals and images

- ▶ Sparse signals in a Transform domain



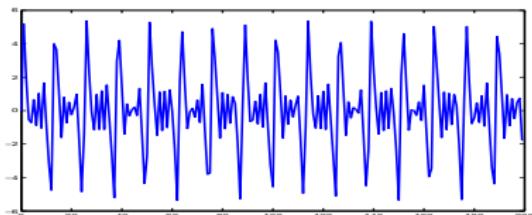
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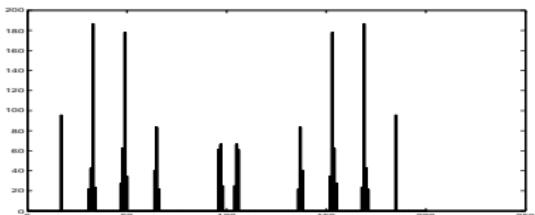
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- ▶ Sparse signals in Fourier domain

Time domain



Fourier domain

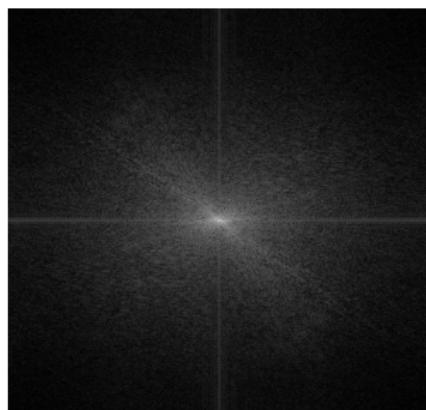


- ▶ Sparse images in wavelet domain

Space domain

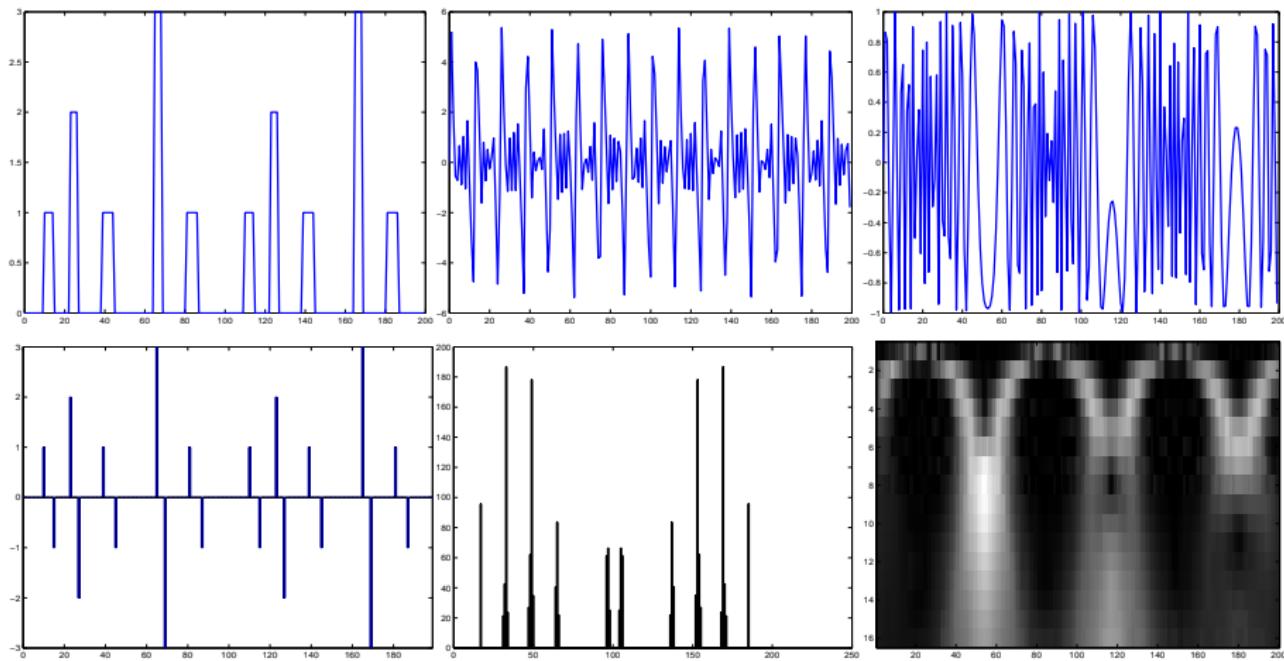


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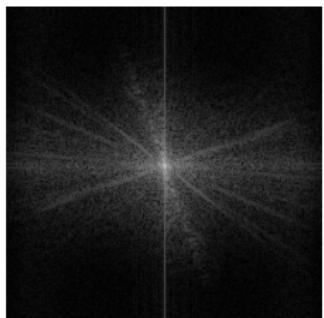
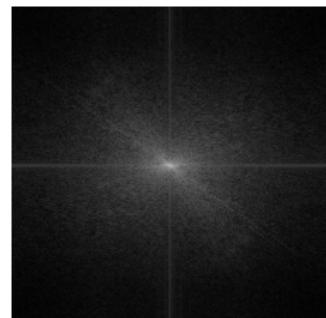
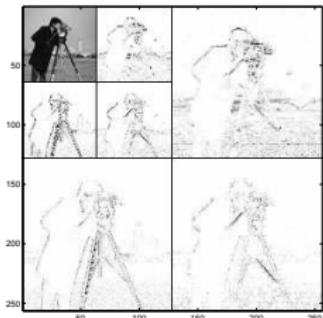


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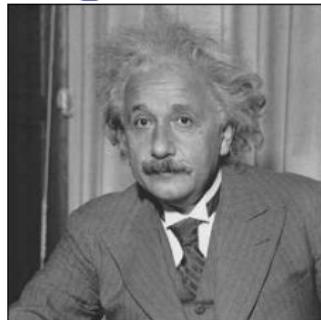
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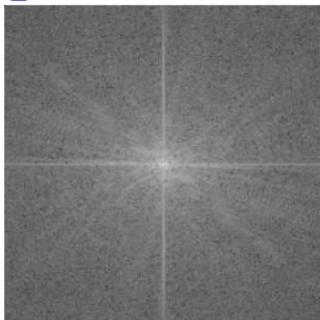
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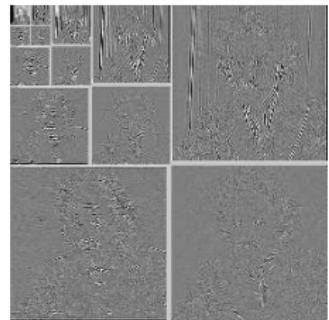
# Sparse signals and images



Image



Fourier



Wavelets

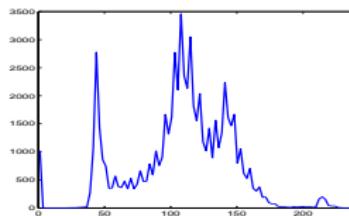
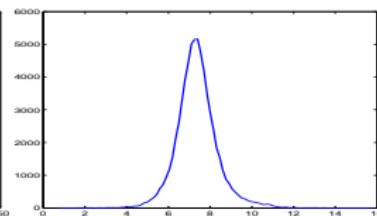
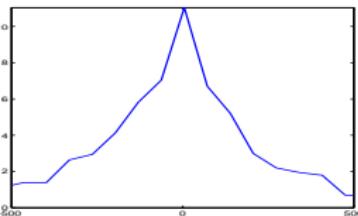


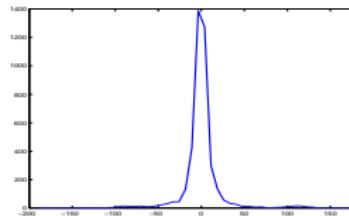
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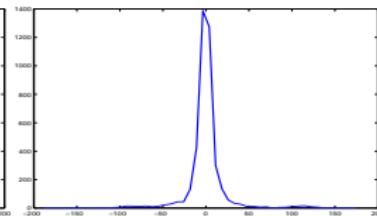
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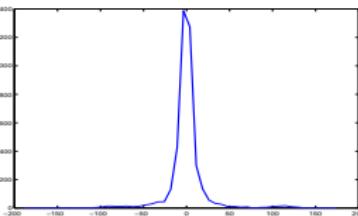
Wavelet coeff. hist.



bands 1-3



bands 4-6



bands 7-9

## 2. First ideas: some history

- ▶ 1948: Shannon:  
Sampling theorem and reconstruction of a band limited signal
- ▶ 1993-2007:
  - ▶ Mallat, Zhang, Candès, Romberg, Tao and Baraniuk:  
Non linear sampling, Compression and reconstruction,
  - ▶ Fuchs: Sparse representation
  - ▶ Donoho, Elad, Tibshirani, Tropp, Duarte, Laska:  
Compressive Sampling, Compressive Sensing
- ▶ 2007-2012:  
Algorithms for sparse representation and compressive Sampling: Matching Pursuit (MP), Projection Pursuit Regression, Pure Greedy Algorithm, OMP, Basis Pursuit (BP), Dantzig Selector (DS), Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (LASSO),...
- ▶ 2003-2012:  
Bayesian approach to sparse modeling  
Tipping, Bishop: Sparse Bayesian Learning,  
Relevance Vector Machine (RVM), ...

### 3. Modeling and representation

- Modeling via a basis (codebook, overcomplete dictionary, Design Matrix)

$$\mathbf{g}(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbf{f}_j \phi_j(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T \longrightarrow \mathbf{g} = \Phi' \mathbf{f}$$

- When  $T \geq N$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}}_j = \arg \min_{f_j} \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^T \left| \mathbf{g}(t) - \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbf{f}_j \phi_j(t) \right|^2 \right\} \rightarrow$$
$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 \right\} = [\Phi \Phi']^{-1} \Phi \mathbf{g}$$

- When orthogonal basis:  $\Phi \Phi' = I \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \Phi \mathbf{g}$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}}_j = \sum_{t=1}^N \mathbf{g}(t) \phi_j(t) = \langle \mathbf{g}(t), \phi_j(t) \rangle$$

- Application in **Compression**, **Transmission** and **Decompression**

# Modeling and representation

- When overcomplete basis  $N > T$ : Infinite number of solutions for  $\Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$ . We have to select one:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}: \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}} \{\|\mathbf{f}\|_2^2\}$$

or writing differently:

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_2^2 \text{ subject to } \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$$

resulting to:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \Phi[\Phi' \Phi]^{-1} \mathbf{g}$$

- Again if  $\Phi' \Phi = I \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \Phi \mathbf{g}$ .
- No real interest if we have to keep all the  $N > T$  coefficients.
- Sparsity:

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_0 \text{ subject to } \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$$

or

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \text{ subject to } \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$$

# Sparse decomposition

- ▶ Strict sparsity and exact reconstruction

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_0 \text{ subject to } \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$$

$\|\mathbf{f}\|_0$  is the number of non-zero elements of  $\mathbf{f}$

- ▶ Matching Pursuit (MP) [Mallat & Zhang, 1993]
- ▶ Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP) [Lin, Huang et al., 1993]
- ▶ Projection Pursuit Regression
- ▶ Greedy Algorithms

- ▶ Sparsity enforcing and exact reconstruction

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \text{ subject to } \Phi' \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{g}$$

- ▶ Basis Pursuit (BP)
- ▶ Block Coordinate Relaxation

# Sparse decomposition

- ▶ Strict sparsity and approximate reconstruction

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{f}\|_0 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 < c$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{f}\|_0 + \mu \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 \right\} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_0 \right\}$$

- ▶ Sparsity enforcing and approximate reconstruction

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \right\}$$

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \sum_j |f_j|$$

- ▶ Main Algorithm: LASSO [Tibshirani 2003]

$$\text{minimize } \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 < \tau$$

# Sparse Decomposition Algorithms

- ▶ LASSO:

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \sum_j |\mathbf{f}_j|$$

- ▶ Other Criteria

- ▶  $L_p$

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_j |\mathbf{f}_j|^p, \quad 1 < p \leq 2$$

- ▶ Elastic net

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \sum_j (\lambda_1 |\mathbf{f}_j| + \lambda_2 |\mathbf{f}_j|^2)$$

- ▶ Group LASSO

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_j |\mathbf{f}_j| + \lambda_2 \sum_j |\mathbf{f}_j - \mathbf{f}_{j-1}|^2$$

- ▶ Weighted L1:

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \sum_j |w_j \mathbf{f}_j|$$

# Multi Dimensional signals: PCA, SPCA, BSS, ...

$$\mathbf{g}_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^N \Phi_{ij} \mathbf{f}_j(t), \quad i = 1, \dots, M, \quad t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$\mathbf{g}(t) = \Phi \mathbf{f}(t), \quad t = 1, \dots, T$$

$$\mathbf{G} = \Phi \mathbf{F}, \quad \text{with } \mathbf{G} [M \times T], \quad \Phi [M \times N], \quad \mathbf{F} [N \times T]$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{f}_j(t)$  factors, sources, codes
- ▶  $\Phi$  Loading matrix (Factor Analysis),  
Mixing matrix (Blind Sources Separation),  
Design matrix (Sparse coding, Compressed Sensing)
- ▶ Objective: Find  $\Phi$  and  $\mathbf{f}_j(t)$

$$J(\mathbf{f}(t), \Phi) = \sum_t \|\mathbf{g}(t) - \Phi \mathbf{f}(t)\|^2 + \lambda_1 \sum_i \sum_j |\Phi_{ij}| + \lambda_2 \sum_t \sum_j |\mathbf{f}_j(t)|$$

$$J(\mathbf{F}, \Phi) = \|\mathbf{G} - \Phi \mathbf{F}\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\Phi\|_1 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{F}\|_1$$

# Matrix Decomposition or Approximation

- Matrix approximation:

Find an approximate matrix  $\widehat{\mathbf{G}} = \Phi \mathbf{F}$  for  $\mathbf{G}$  with some degrees of sparsity in the elements of  $\Phi$  and  $\mathbf{F}$ .

$$J(\mathbf{F}, \Phi) = \|\mathbf{G} - \Phi \mathbf{F}\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\Phi\|_1 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{F}\|_1$$

- Low rank Matrice decomposition:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{G}} = \sum_{k=1}^K d_k \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{v}'_k = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}$$

with some degrees of sparsity in the elements of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

$$J(\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}) = \|\mathbf{G} - \mathbf{U} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{V}\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\mathbf{U}\|_1 + \lambda_2 \|\mathbf{V}\|_1$$

## 4. Sparse decomposition: Bayesian MAP interpretation

- ▶ Sparsity enforcing and approximate reconstruction

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \right\}$$

- ▶ Equivalent to MAP estimate in a Bayesian approach
  - ▶ Bayesian approach:

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) p(\mathbf{f})}{p(\mathbf{g})} \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) p(\mathbf{f})$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{N}(\Phi' \mathbf{f}, \sigma_\epsilon^2) \propto \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{2\sigma_\epsilon^2} \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 \right\} \\ p(\mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{DE}(-\gamma) \propto \exp \{ \gamma \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ Maximum A Posteriori (MAP):

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g})\} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f})\}$$

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1 \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda = 2\gamma\sigma_\epsilon^2$$

# Sparse decomposition: Regularization or MAP

- ▶ Regularization:  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1$
- ▶ With fixed  $\lambda$ : Find a good optimization algorithm
- ▶ How to choose  $\lambda$  ?
- ▶ L-Curve, Cross Validation, adhoc  $\lambda = 1, \dots$
- ▶ \_\_\_\_\_
- ▶ MAP:  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \Phi' \mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|_1$  with  $\lambda = 2\gamma\sigma_\epsilon^2$
- ▶ How to estimate  $\gamma$  and  $\sigma_\epsilon^2$ ?
- ▶ Bayesian: Joint MAP, Expectation-Maximization, MCMC, Variational Bayesian Approximation,...
- ▶ Advantages of the Bayesian approach:
  - ▶ More probabilistic modeling for sparsity enforcing
  - ▶ Hyperparameter estimation
  - ▶ Uncertainty handling

## 5. Sparsity enforcing prior models

- ▶ Simple heavy tailed models:
  - ▶ Generalized Gaussian, Double Exponential
  - ▶ Student-t, Cauchy
  - ▶ Elastic net
  - ▶ Generalized hyperbolic
  - ▶ Symmetric Weibull, Symmetric Rayleigh
- ▶ Hierarchical mixture models:
  - ▶ Mixture of Gaussians
  - ▶ Bernoulli-Gaussian
  - ▶ Mixture of Gammas
  - ▶ Bernoulli-Gamma
  - ▶ Mixture of Dirichlet
  - ▶ Bernoulli-Multinomial

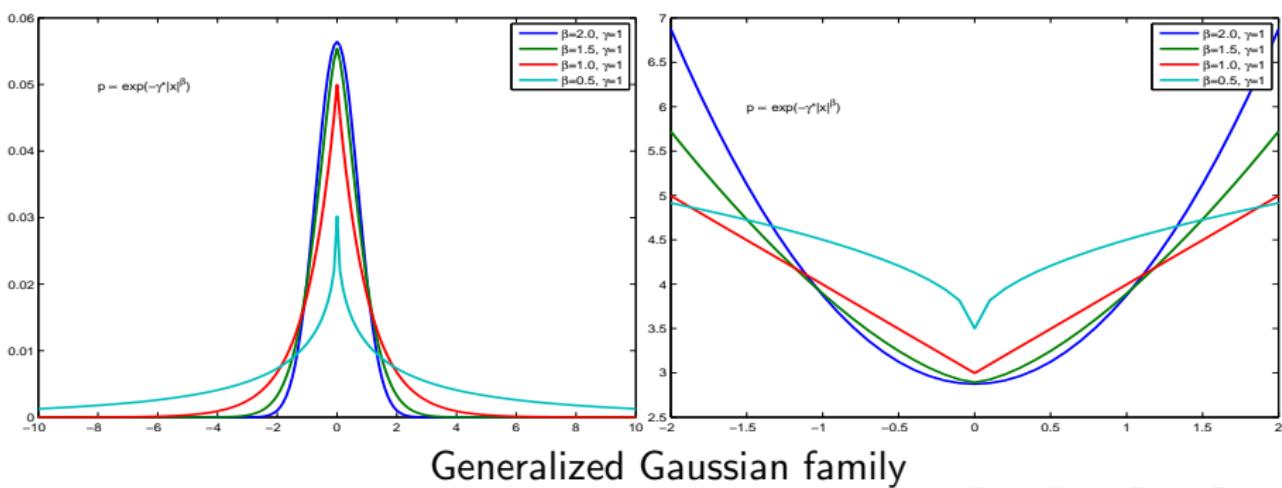
# Simple heavy tailed models

- Generalized Gaussian, Double Exponential

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\gamma, \beta) = \prod_j \mathcal{GG}(f_j|\gamma, \beta) \propto \exp \left\{ -\gamma \sum_j |f_j|^\beta \right\}$$

$\beta = 1$  Double exponential or Laplace.

$0 < \beta < 2$  are of great interest for sparsity enforcing.

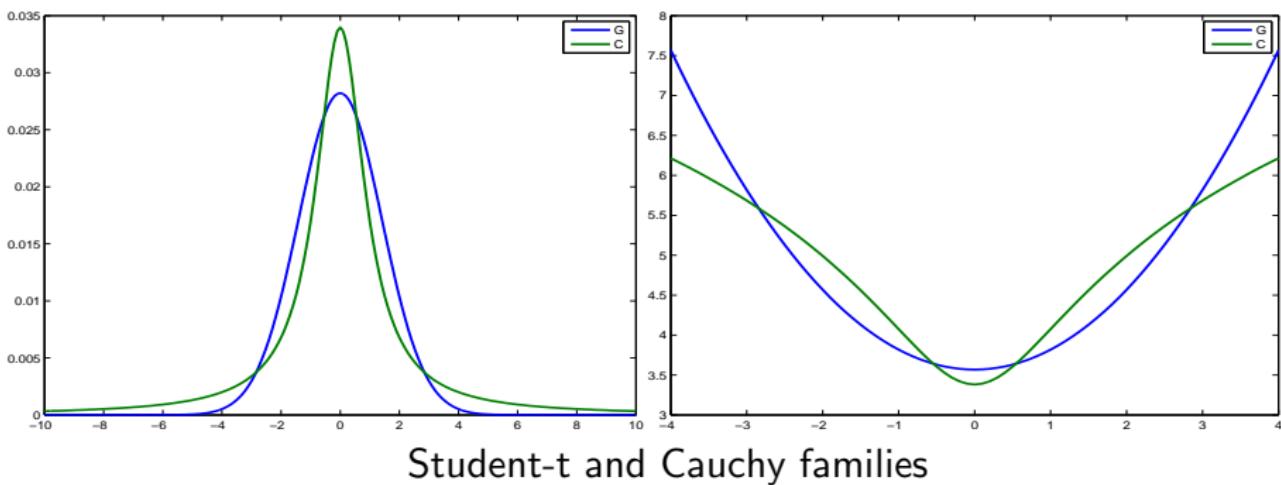


# Simple heavy tailed models

- Student-t and Cauchy models

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\nu) = \prod_j St(f_j|\nu) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu+1}{2} \sum_j \log (1 + f_j^2/\nu) \right\}$$

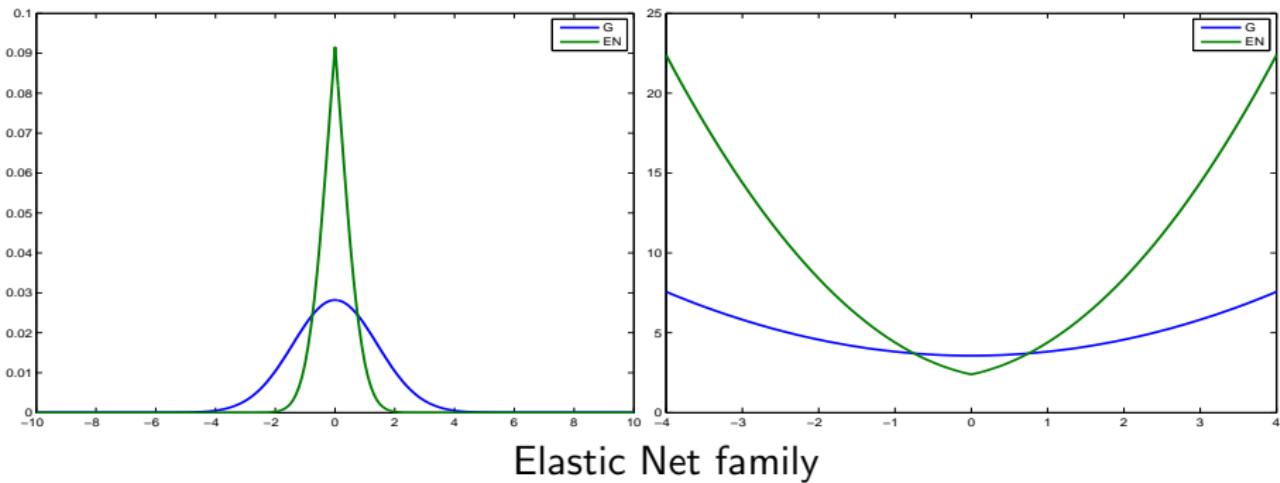
Cauchy model is obtained when  $\nu = 1$ .



# Simple heavy tailed models

- Elastic net prior model

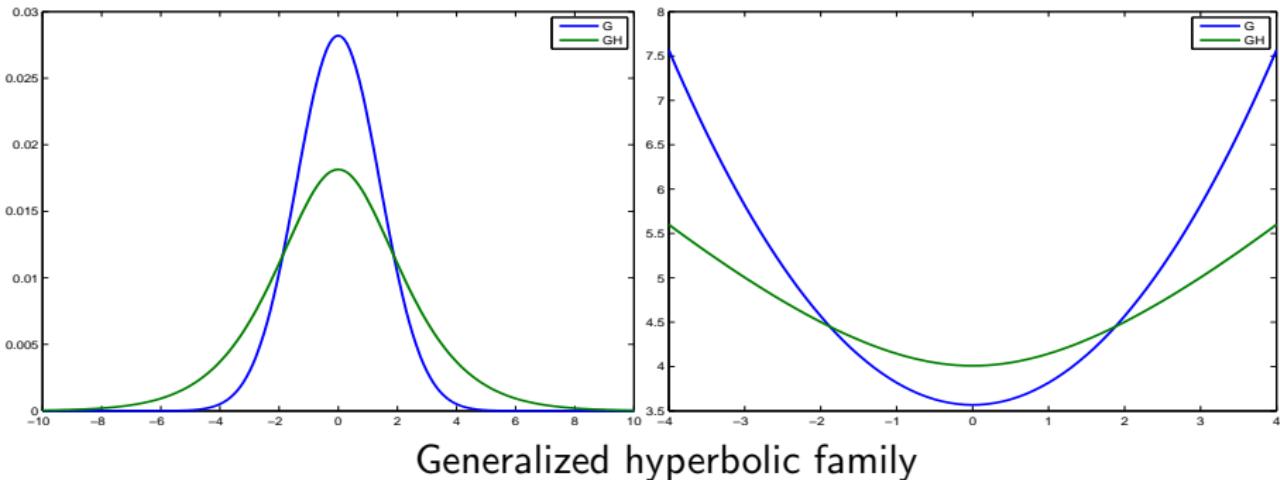
$$p(\mathbf{f}|\nu) = \prod_j \mathcal{EN}(f_j|\nu) \propto \exp \left\{ - \sum_j (\gamma_1 |f_j| + \gamma_2 f_j^2) \right\}$$



# Simple heavy tailed models

- Generalized hyperbolic (GH) models

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\delta, \nu, \beta) = \prod_j (\delta^2 + f_j^2)^{(\nu-1/2)/2} \exp\{\beta x\} K_{\nu-1/2}(\alpha \sqrt{\delta^2 + f_j^2})$$



# Simple heavy tailed models

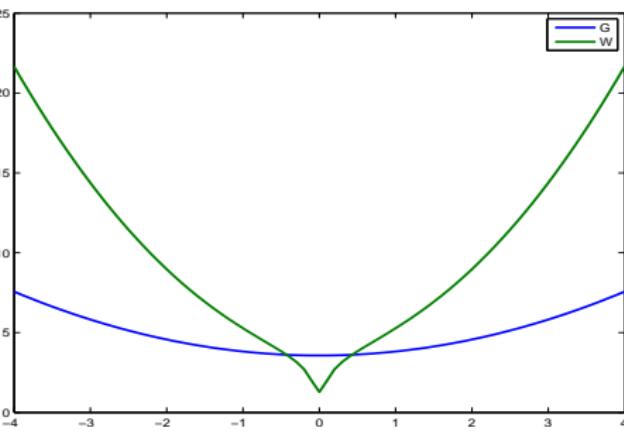
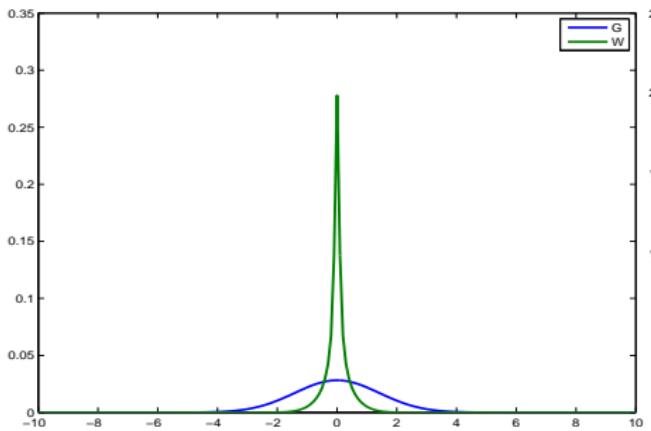
- Symmetric Weibull

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\gamma, \beta) = \prod_j \mathcal{W}(f_j|\gamma, \beta) \propto \exp \left\{ -\gamma \sum_j |f_j|^\beta + (\beta - 1) \log |f_j| \right\}$$

$\beta = 2$  is the Symmetric Rayleigh distribution.

$\beta = 1$  is the Double exponential and

$0 < \beta < 2$  are of great interest for sparsity enforcing.



Symmetric Weibull family

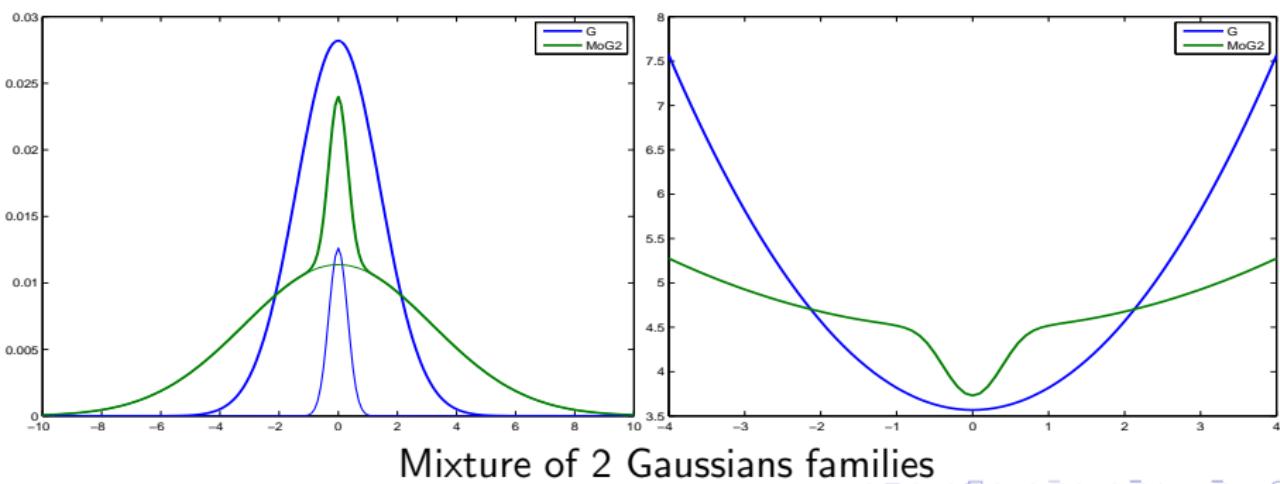
# Mixture models

- Mixture of two Gaussians (MoG2) model

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\alpha, v_1, v_0) = \prod_j [\alpha \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_1) + (1 - \alpha) \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_0)]$$

- Bernoulli-Gaussian (BG) model

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\alpha, v) = \prod_j p(f_j) = \prod_j [\alpha \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v) + (1 - \alpha) \delta(f_j)]$$



- Mixture of Gammas

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\lambda, v_1, v_0) = \prod_j [\lambda \mathcal{G}(f_j|\alpha_1, \beta_1) + (1 - \lambda) \mathcal{G}(f_j|\alpha_2, \beta_2)]$$

- Bernoulli-Gamma model

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\lambda, \alpha, \beta) = \prod_j [\lambda \mathcal{G}(f_j|\alpha, \beta) + (1 - \lambda) \delta(f_j)]$$

- Mixture of Dirichlets model

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\lambda, \mathbf{H}_1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1, \mathbf{H}_2, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2) = \prod_j [\lambda \mathcal{D}(f_j|\mathbf{H}_1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1) + (1 - \lambda) \mathcal{D}(f_j|\mathbf{H}_2, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2)]$$

$$\mathcal{D}(f_j|\mathbf{H}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \prod_{k=1}^K \frac{\Gamma(\alpha)}{\Gamma(\alpha_0)\Gamma(\alpha_K)} a_k^{\alpha_k-1}, \quad \alpha_k \geq 0, \quad a_k \geq 0$$

where  $\mathbf{H} = \{a_1, \dots, a_K\}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\alpha} = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_K\}$

with  $\sum_k \alpha_k = \alpha$  and  $\sum_k a_k = 1$ .

- Bernoulli-Multinomial (BMultinomial) model

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\lambda, \mathbf{H}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \prod_j [\lambda \delta(f_j) + (1 - \lambda) \mathcal{M}ult(f_j|\mathbf{H}, \boldsymbol{\alpha})]$$

# Hierarchical models and hidden variables

- All the mixture models and some of simple models can be modeled via **hidden variables  $z$** .

$$p(f) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k p_k(f) \longrightarrow \begin{cases} p(f|z=k) = p_k(f), \\ P(z=k) = \alpha_k, \quad \sum_k \alpha_k = 1 \end{cases}$$

- Example 1: MoG model:  $p_k(f) = \mathcal{N}(f|m_k, v_k)$   
2 Gaussians:  $p_0 = \mathcal{N}(0, v_0), p_1 = \mathcal{N}(0, v_1), \alpha_0 = \lambda, \alpha_1 = 1 - \lambda$

$$p(f_j|\lambda, v_1, v_0) = \lambda \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_1) + (1 - \lambda) \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_0)$$

$$\begin{cases} p(f_j|z_j=0, v_0) = \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_0), \\ p(f_j|z_j=1, v_1) = \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_1), \end{cases} \text{ and } \begin{cases} P(z_j=0) = \lambda, \\ P(z_j=1) = 1 - \lambda \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{f}|z) = \prod_j p(f_j|z_j) = \prod_j \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, v_{z_j}) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j \frac{f_j^2}{v_{z_j}} \right\} \\ p(z) = \lambda^{n_1} (1 - \lambda)^{n_0}, \quad n_1 = \sum_j \delta(z_j - 1), \quad n_0 = \sum_j \delta(z_j) \end{cases}$$

# Hierarchical models and hidden variables

- ▶ Example 2: Student-t model

$$St(f|\nu) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu+1}{2} \log (1 + f^2/\nu) \right\}$$

- ▶ Infinite mixture

$$St(f|\nu) \propto= \int_0^\infty \mathcal{N}(f|0, 1/z) \mathcal{G}(z|\alpha, \beta) dz, \quad \text{with } \alpha = \beta = \nu/2$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{f}|z) &= \prod_j p(f_j|z_j) = \prod_j \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, 1/z_j) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j z_j f_j^2 \right\} \\ p(z|\alpha, \beta) &= \prod_j \mathcal{G}(z_j|\alpha, \beta) \propto \prod_j z_j^{(\alpha-1)} \exp \{-\beta z_j\} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ \sum_j (\alpha-1) \ln z_j - \beta z_j \right\} \\ p(\mathbf{f}, z|\alpha, \beta) &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j z_j f_j^2 + (\alpha-1) \ln z_j - \beta z_j \right\} \end{cases}$$

# Hierarchical models and hidden variables

- ▶ Example 3: Laplace (Double Exponential) model

$$\mathcal{DE}(f|a) = \frac{a}{2} \exp\{-a|f|\} = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{N}(f|0, z) \mathcal{E}(z|a^2/2) dz, \quad a > 0$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{f}|z) &= \prod_j p(f_j|z_j) = \prod_j \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, z_j) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_j f_j^2/z_j\right\} \\ p(z|\frac{a^2}{2}) &= \prod_j \mathcal{E}(z_j|\frac{a^2}{2}) \propto \exp\left\{\sum_j \frac{a^2}{2} z_j\right\} \\ p(\mathbf{f}, z|\frac{a^2}{2}) &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_j f_j^2/z_j + \frac{a^2}{2} z_j\right\} \end{cases}$$

- ▶ With these models we have:

- ▶ Simple priors

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f}|\boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- ▶ Hierarchical priors

$$p(\mathbf{f}, z, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f}|z, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(z|\boldsymbol{\theta}_3) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# Bayesian Computation and Algorithms

- When the expression of  $p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  or of  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  is obtained, we have following options:
- Joint MAP:** (needs optimization algorithms)

$$(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})\}$$

- MCMC:** Needs the expressions of the conditionals  $p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g})$ ,  $p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g})$ , and  $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{g})$
- Variational Bayesian Approximation (VBA):** Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by a separable one

$$q(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) = q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\mathbf{z}) q_3(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

and do any computations with these separable ones.

# Joint MAP

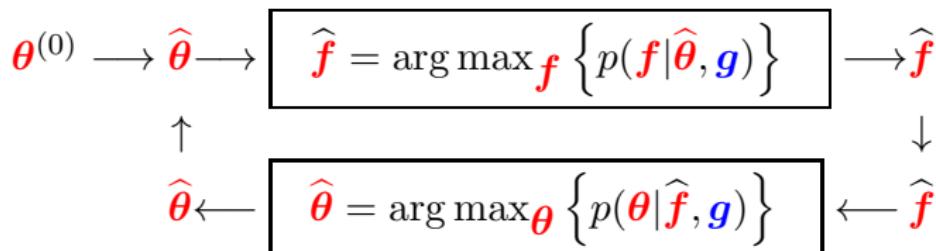
$$p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- ▶ Objective:

$$(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})\}$$

- ▶ Alternate optimization:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} | \mathbf{g})\} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \{p(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})\} \end{cases}$$



- ▶ Uncertainties are not propagated.

# MCMC based algorithm

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{z}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

General scheme (Gibbs Sampling):

- ▶ Generate samples from the conditionals:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} \sim p(\mathbf{f} | \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{z}} \sim p(\mathbf{z} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sim (\boldsymbol{\theta} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g})$$

- ▶ Wait for convergency
- ▶ Compute empirical statistics (means, modes, variances) from the samples

$$\mathbb{E}\{\mathbf{f}\} \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_n \mathbf{f}^{(n)}$$

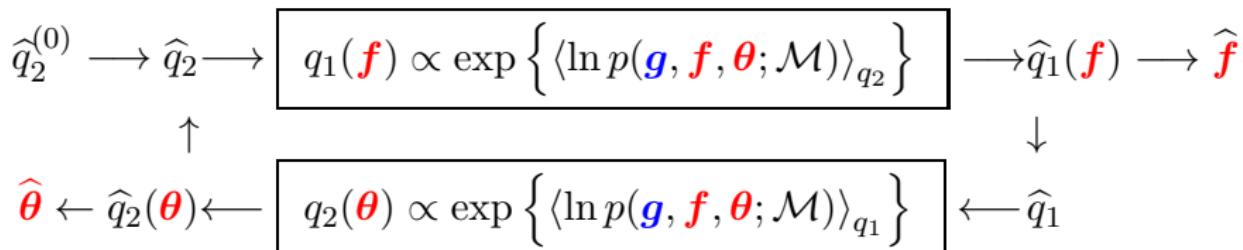
# Variational Bayesian Approximation

- ▶ Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) = q_1(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{g}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  and then continue computations.
- ▶ Criterion  $\text{KL}(q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) : p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}))$

$$\text{KL}(q : p) = \iint q \ln \frac{q}{p} = \iint q_1 q_2 \ln \frac{q_1 q_2}{p}$$

- ▶ Iterative algorithm  $q_1 \rightarrow q_2 \rightarrow q_1 \rightarrow q_2, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} q_1(\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp \left\{ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right\} \\ q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \propto \exp \left\{ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{q_1(\mathbf{f})} \right\} \end{cases}$$

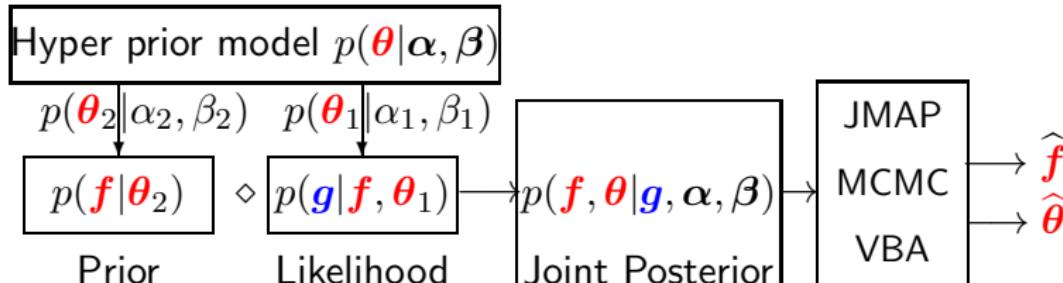


- ▶ Uncertainties are propagated (Message Passing methods)

# Summary of Bayesian approach

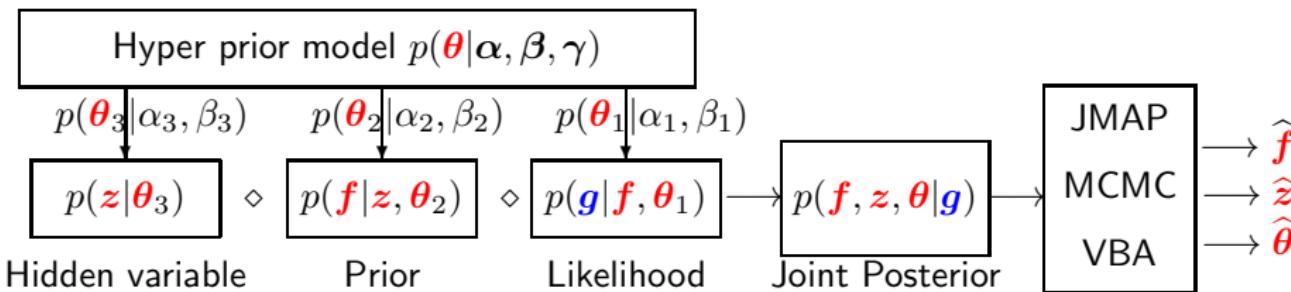
- ▶ Simple priors

$$\downarrow \alpha, \beta$$



- ▶ Hierarchical priors

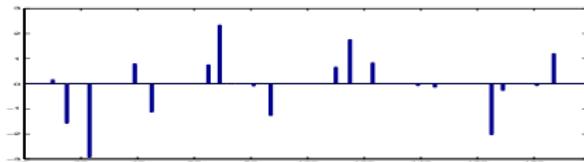
$$\downarrow \alpha, \beta, \gamma$$



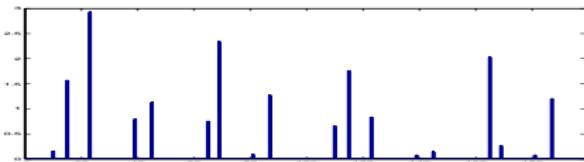
# Advantages of the Bayesian Approach

- ▶ More possibilities to model sparsity
- ▶ More tools to handle hyperparameters
- ▶ More tools to account for uncertainties
- ▶ More possibilities to understand and to control many ad hoc deterministic algorithms
- ▶ Hierarchical models give still more modeling possibilities
  - ▶ Bernouilli-Gaussian: strict sparsity
  - ▶ Bernouilli-Gamma: strict sparsity + positivity
  - ▶ Bernouilli-Multinomial: strict sparsity + discrete values (finite states)
  - ▶ Independent Mixture models: sparsity enforcing
  - ▶ Mixture of multivariate models: group sparsity enforcing
  - ▶ Gauss-Markov-Potts models: sparsity in transform domains

# Examples of Hierarchical models



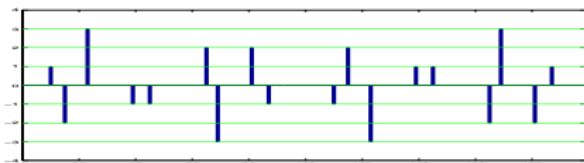
Bernoulli-Gaussian



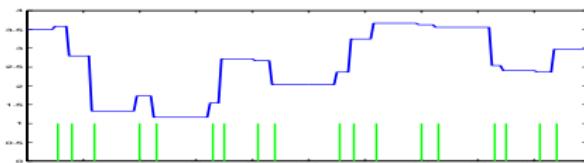
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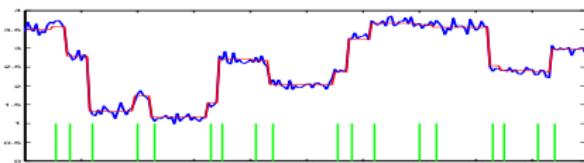
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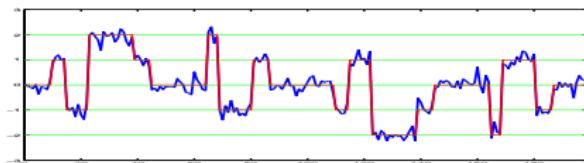
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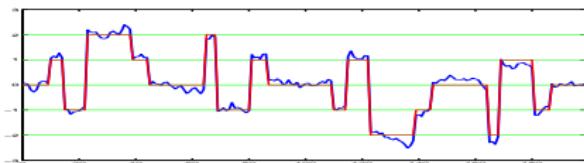
Piecewise constant



Piecewise Gaussian

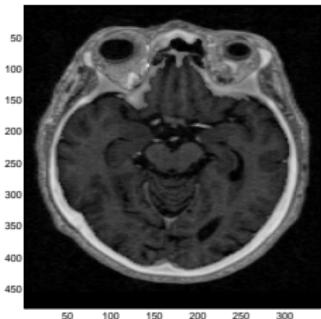


Gauss-Markov-Potts 1

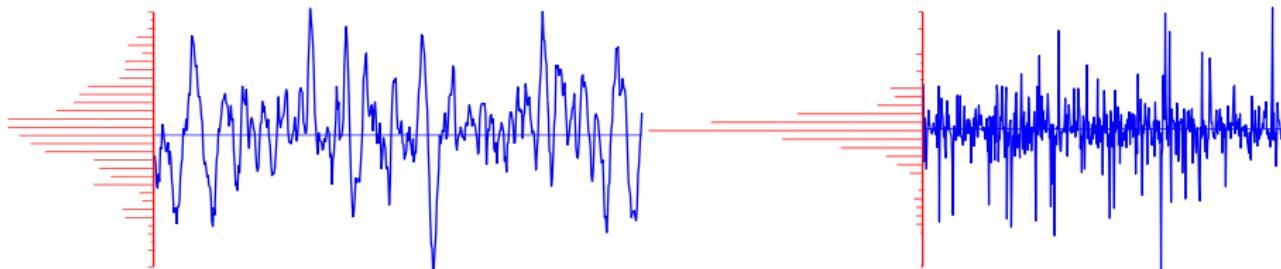


Gauss-Markov-Potts 2

# Which class of images I am looking for?

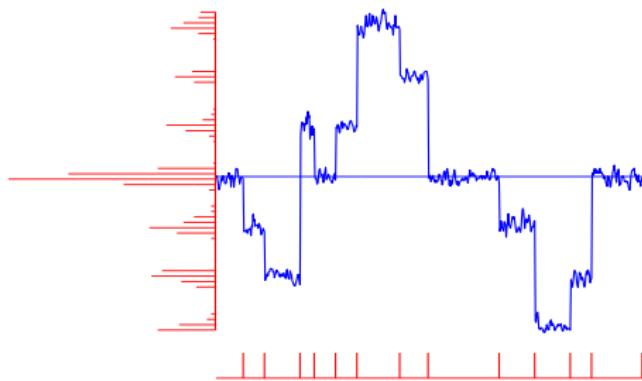


# Which class of signals I am looking for?

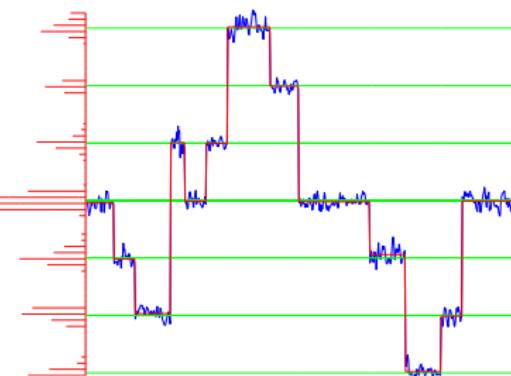


Gauss-Markov

Generalized GM

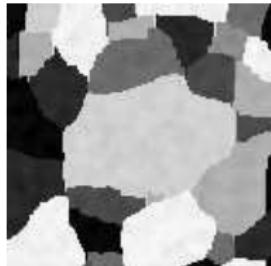
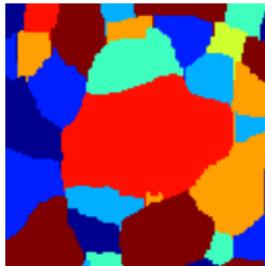


Piecewise Gaussian



Mixture of GM: Gauss-Markov-Potts

# Gauss-Markov-Potts prior models for images

 $f(\mathbf{r})$  $z(\mathbf{r})$ 

$$q(\mathbf{r}) = 1 - \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}'))$$

$$p(f(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}) = k, m_k, v_k) = \mathcal{N}(m_k, v_k)$$

$$p(f(\mathbf{r})) = \sum_k P(z(\mathbf{r}) = k) \mathcal{N}(m_k, v_k) \text{ Mixture of Gaussians}$$

- ▶ Separable iid hidden variables:  $p(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{\mathbf{r}} p(z(\mathbf{r}))$
- ▶ Markovian hidden variables:  $p(\mathbf{z})$  Potts-Markov:

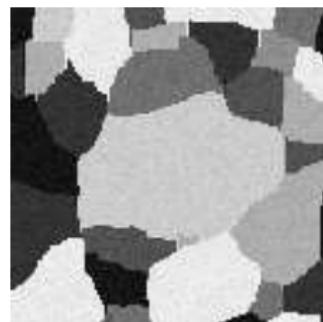
$$p(z(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}'), \mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})) \propto \exp \left\{ \gamma \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})} \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) \right\}$$
$$p(\mathbf{z}) \propto \exp \left\{ \gamma \sum_{\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{R}} \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})} \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) \right\}$$

## Four different cases

To each pixel of the image is associated 2 variables  $f(\mathbf{r})$  and  $z(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Gaussian iid,  $z$  iid :

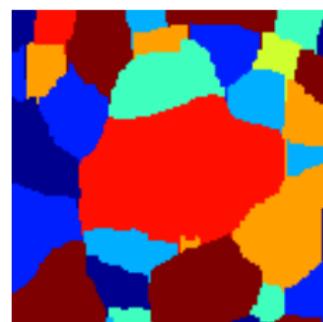
Mixture of Gaussians



$f(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Gauss-Markov,  $z$  iid :

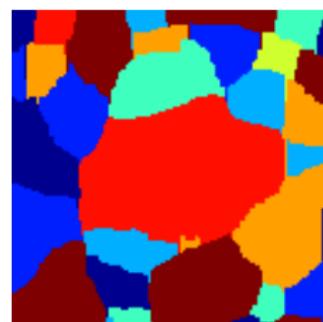
Mixture of Gauss-Markov



$z(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Gaussian iid,  $z$  Potts-Markov :

Mixture of Independent Gaussians  
(MIG with Hidden Potts)



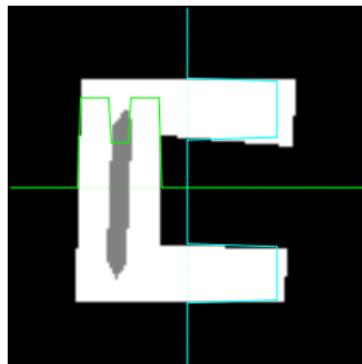
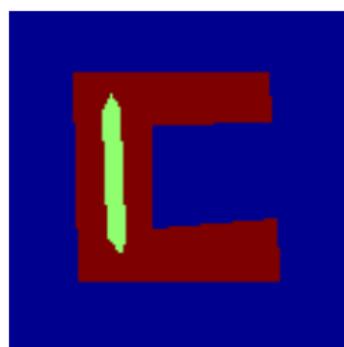
$z(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Markov,  $z$  Potts-Markov :

Mixture of Gauss-Markov  
(MGM with hidden Potts)

# Application of CT in NDT

Reconstruction from only 2 projections

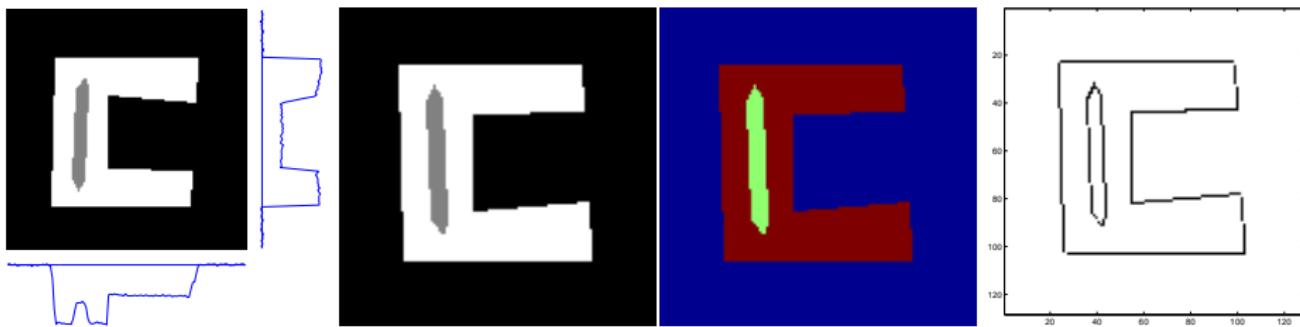


$$g_1(x) = \int f(x, y) \, dy, \quad g_2(y) = \int f(x, y) \, dx$$

- Given the marginals  $g_1(x)$  and  $g_2(y)$  find the joint distribution  $f(x, y)$ .
- Infinite number of solutions :  $f(x, y) = g_1(x) g_2(y) \Omega(x, y)$   
 $\Omega(x, y)$  is a Copula:

$$\int \Omega(x, y) \, dx = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \int \Omega(x, y) \, dy = 1$$

# Application in CT



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f} & \\ \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{f} + \epsilon & \\ \mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{H} \mathbf{f}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) & \\ \text{Gaussian} & \end{aligned}$$

$\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}$   
iid Gaussian  
or  
Gauss-Markov

$\mathbf{z}$   
iid  
or  
Potts

$\mathbf{c}$   
 $q(\mathbf{r}) \in \{0, 1\}$   
 $1 - \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}'))$   
binary

# Proposed algorithm

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

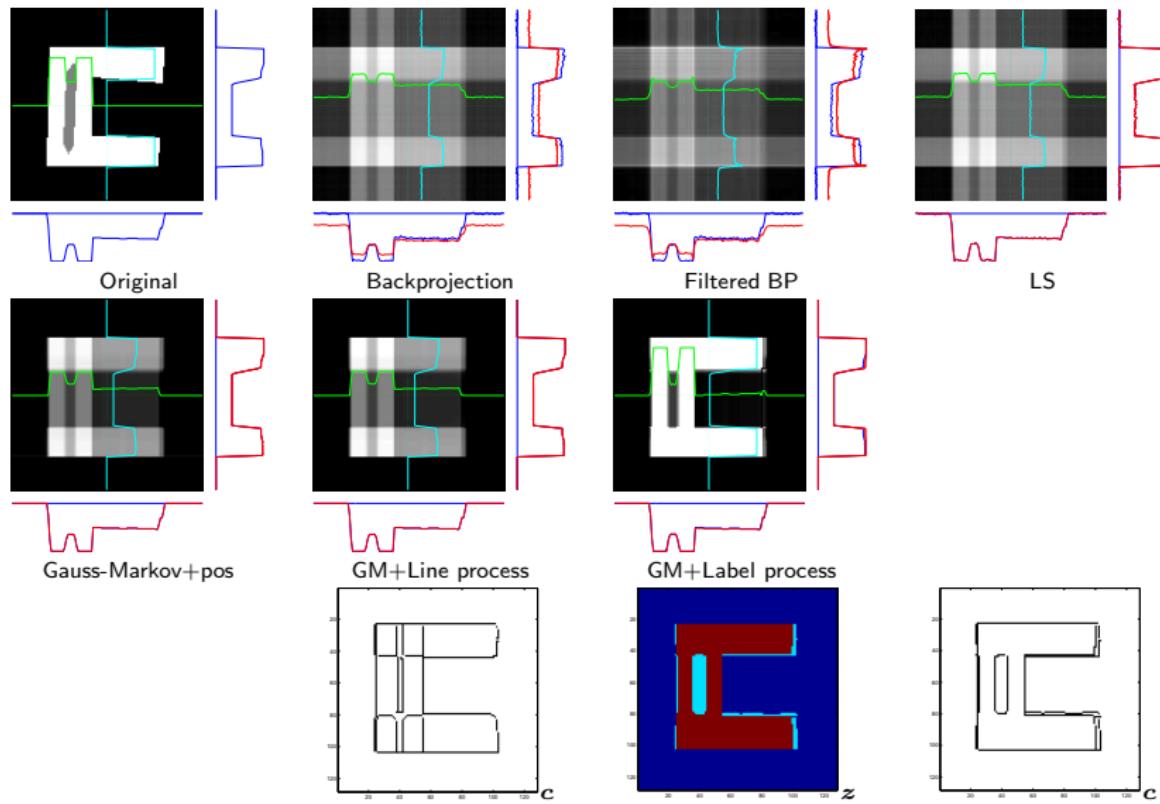
General scheme:

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} \sim p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{z}} \sim p(\mathbf{z} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sim (\boldsymbol{\theta} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g})$$

Iterative algorithme:

- ▶ Estimate  $\mathbf{f}$  using  $p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$   
Needs **optimisation** of a quadratic criterion.
- ▶ Estimate  $\mathbf{z}$  using  $p(\mathbf{z} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) p(\mathbf{z})$   
Needs **sampling of a Potts Markov field**.
- ▶ Estimate  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  using  
 $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) p(\hat{\mathbf{f}} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, (m_k, v_k)) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$   
Conjugate priors → **analytical expressions**.

# Results

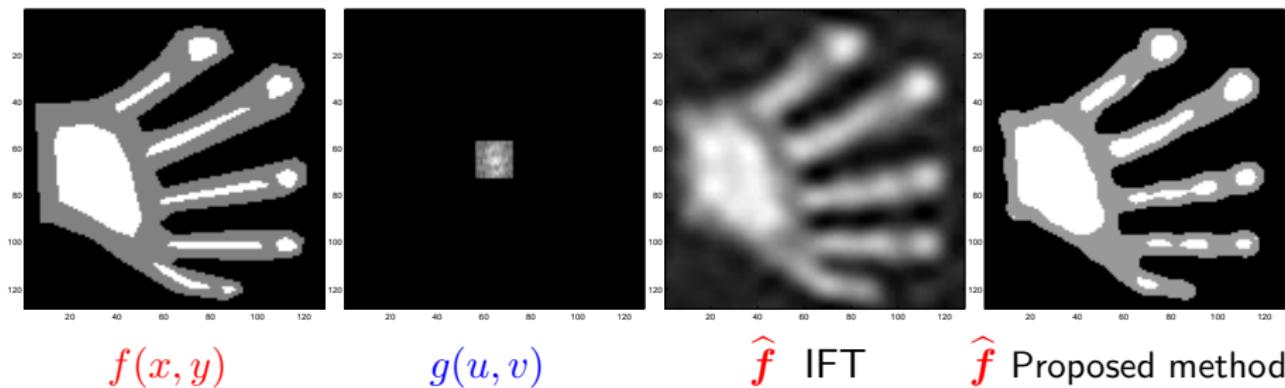


# Application in Microwave imaging

$$g(\omega) = \int f(r) \exp \{-j(\omega \cdot r)\} dr + \epsilon(\omega)$$

$$g(u, v) = \iint f(x, y) \exp \{-j(ux + vy)\} dx dy + \epsilon(u, v)$$

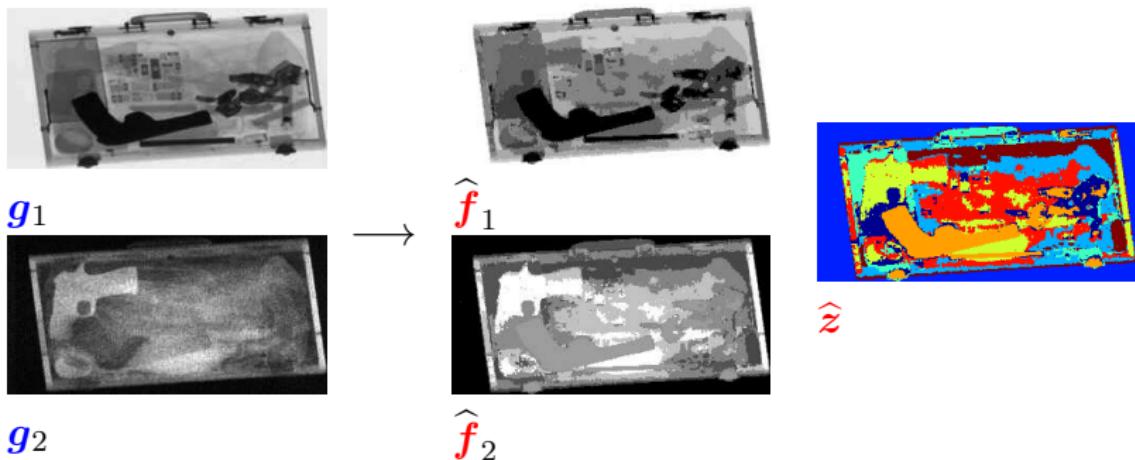
$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$



# Images fusion and joint segmentation

(with O. Féron)

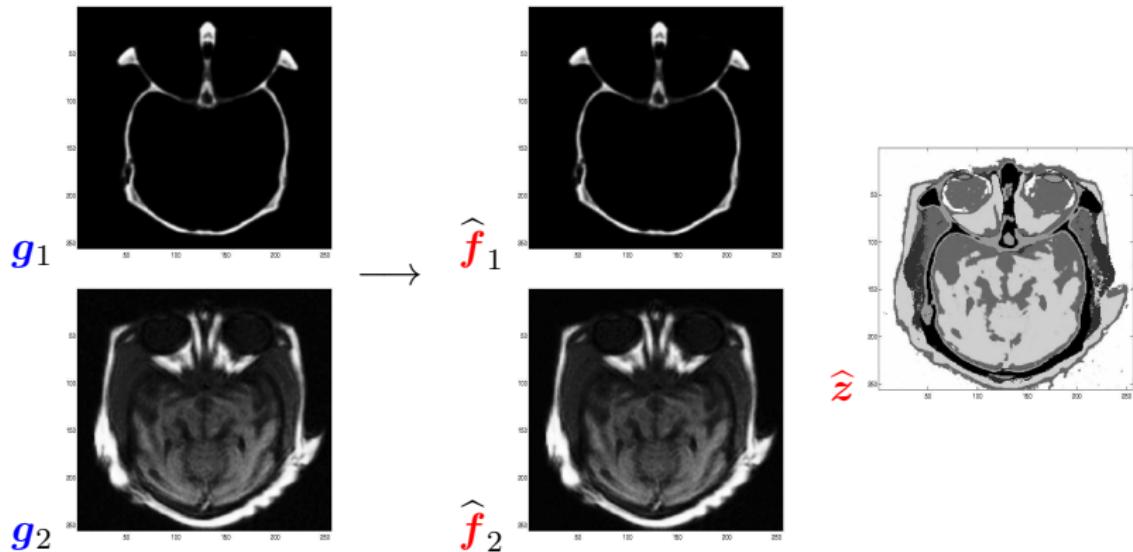
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# Data fusion in medical imaging

(with O. Féron)

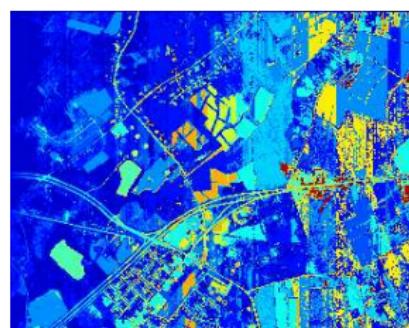
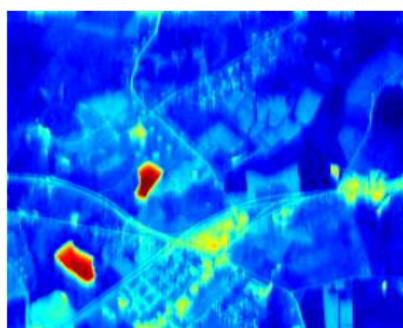
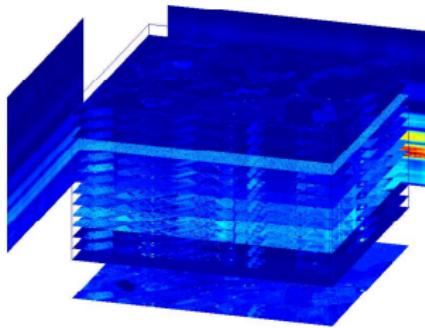
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# Joint segmentation of hyper-spectral images

(with N. Bali & A. Mohammadpour)

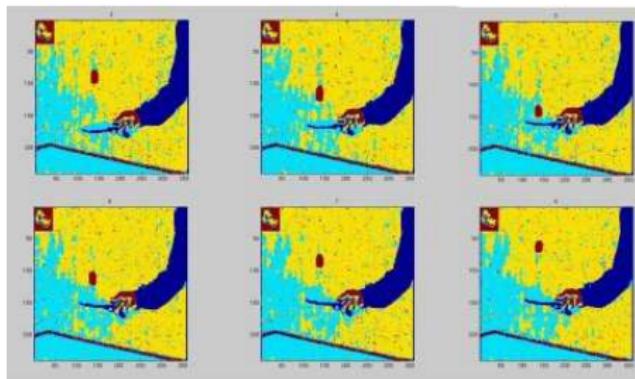
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} g_i(\mathbf{r}) = f_i(\mathbf{r}) + \epsilon_i(\mathbf{r}) \\ p(f_i(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}) = k) = \mathcal{N}(m_{ik}, \sigma_{ik}^2), \quad k = 1, \dots, K \\ p(\underline{\mathbf{f}}|\underline{\mathbf{z}}) = \prod_i p(\mathbf{f}_i|\mathbf{z}_i) \\ m_{ik} \text{ follow a Markovian model along the index } i \end{array} \right.$$



# Segmentation of a video sequence of images

(with P. Brault)

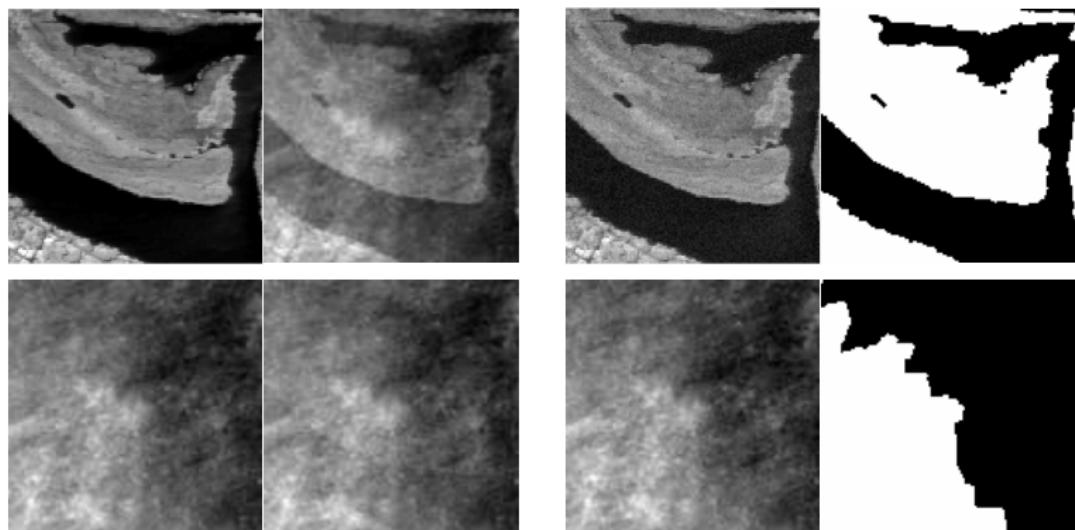
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# Image separation in Sattelite imaging

(with H. Snoussi & M. Ichir)

$$\begin{cases} g_i(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} f_j(\mathbf{r}) + \epsilon_i(\mathbf{r}) \\ p(f_j(\mathbf{r}) | z_j(\mathbf{r}) = k) = \mathcal{N}(m_{jk}, \sigma_{jk}^2) \\ p(A_{ij}) = \mathcal{N}(A_{0ij}, \sigma_{0ij}^2) \end{cases}$$



# Conclusions

- ▶ Sparsity: a great property to use in signal and image processing
- ▶ Origine: Sampling theory and reconstruction, modeling and representation Compressed Sensing, Approximation theory
- ▶ Deterministic Algorithms: Optimization of a two termes criterion, penalty term, regularization term
- ▶ Probabilistic: Bayesian approach
- ▶ Sparsity enforcing priors: Simple heavy tailed and Hierarchical with hidden variables.
- ▶ Gauss-Markov-Potts models for images incorporating hidden regions and contours
- ▶ Main Bayesian computation tools: JMAP, MCMC and VBA
- ▶ Application in different imaging system (X ray CT, Microwaves, PET, ultrasound and microwave imaging)

## Current Projects and Perspectives :

- ▶ Efficient implementation in 2D and 3D cases
- ▶ Evaluation of performances and comparison between MCMC and VBA methods

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