# Towards measuring information in radioastronomy

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## PUNCH4NFDI project

TA5 WP 1 "Implications for discovery potential and reproducibility"

"... interplay between reproducibility of filtered and refined data and its implications for the discovery potential."

"A large focus of TA 5 is on the actual implementation of efficient real-time filtering."





#### Identification of "information flow"

- Simulation of the coherence effect in interferometry (...)
- Level of the individual antenna
  - Identification of transients
  - Compression of the overall time series
- Statistical signal processing/detection
- Optimal processing/detection



#### **Correlation measurement (VCZ theorem)**

The effect: an incoherent source starts to be visible as coherent at a large distance.





Principles of Optics by Born and Wolf



#### VCZ theorem — Simulation scheme





#### VCZ theorem — Bandpass filter



Radian frequency ( $\omega$ )



#### VCZ theorem — Bandpass filter







#### VCZ theorem — Simulation results









### Level of single antenna

- Transient detection (pulsars, FRB, ...)
- Statistical signal processing (detection)
- Optimal detection (matched filtering)



#### Statistical signal processing (detection)

Conditions:  $A_1$  - signal is present,  $A_0$  - no signal Decisions:  $A_1^*$  - signal is present,  $A_0^*$  - no signal

 $A_0^*A_0$  — correct non-detection ( $\hat{F} = P(A_0^*|A_0)$ )  $A_1^*A_0$  — "false alarm" or false positive detection ( $F = P(A_1^* | A_0)$ )  $A_0^*A_1$  — missing the signal (  $\hat{D} = P(A_0^* | A_1)$  )  $A_1^*A_1$  — correct detection of the signal ( $D = P(A_1^*|A_1)$ )



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 $P(A_0^*, \overline{A_0}) + P(A_1^*, \overline{A_0}) + P(A_0^*, \overline{A_1}) + P(A_1^*, \overline{A_1}) = 1$ 

Mean risk:  

$$\bar{r} = \sum_{i} r_{i}P_{i} = r_{1}P(A_{0}^{*}, A_{0}) + r_{2}P(A_{1}^{*}, A_{0}) + r_{3}P(A_{0}^{*}, A_{1}) + r_{4}P(A_{1}^{*}, A_{1})$$

$$= r_{F}P(A_{1}^{*}, A_{0}) + r_{\hat{D}}P(A_{0}^{*}, A_{1}) = r_{F}FP(A_{0}) + r_{\hat{D}}\hat{D}P(A_{1}) \qquad r_{F} = r(A_{1}^{*}, A_{0}) \quad r_{\hat{D}} = r(A_{0}^{*}, A_{1})$$

 $\bar{r} = FP(A_0) + \hat{D}P(A_1)$ Criterion of the ideal observer:

$$\bar{r} = r_{\hat{D}} P(A_1) - [D - l_0]$$

Weighting criterion:  $\operatorname{argmax}(D - l_0 F)$ 

$$\hat{F} = P(A_0^* | A_0) \qquad \hat{D} = P(A_0^* | A_1) \qquad \hat{F} + F = F(A_1^* | A_0) \qquad \hat{D} = P(A_1^* | A_1) \qquad \hat{D} + D = F(A_1^* | A_1) \qquad \hat{D} + F(A_1^* | A_1) \qquad \hat{D} + D = F(A_1^* | A_1) \qquad \hat{D} + F(A_1^* | A_1) \qquad$$

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$$l_0 = \frac{r_F P(A_0)}{r_{\hat{D}} P(A_1)}$$

 $F]r_{\hat{D}}P(A_1)$ 



#### Statistical signal processing (detection)

Measurement of one value only: y = Ax + n

 $p(y|A_0) = p_n(y)$   $p(y|A_1) = p_{sn}(y)$ 

$$D = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A^*(y) p_{sn}(y) \, dy \qquad F = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A^*(y) p_{sn}(y) \, dy$$

$$D - l_0 F = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p_n(y) A^*(y) [l(y) - l_0] \, dy \qquad \qquad l(y) = \frac{p_{sn}}{p_n}$$

$$l(y) = \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2n_0^2}\right) \exp\left(\frac{xy}{n_0^2}\right) \qquad \text{xy-correlation}$$
$$l(y) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{N_0}\sum_i x_i^2 \Delta t\right) \exp\left(\frac{2}{N_0}\sum_i x_i y_i \Delta t\right)$$



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sum/integral

### Optimal detection/Optimal filter in white noise

$$\operatorname{SNR} = \frac{|s_{out}|}{\sigma} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S(\omega) \, \mathrm{e}^{i\theta_s} K(\omega) \, \mathrm{e}^{i\phi_k + i\omega t_0} \, d\omega \right| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi N_0}} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S^2(\omega) \, d\omega \right| = \sqrt{\frac{E}{N_0}}$$

 $K(\omega) = AS(\omega)$   $\phi_k + \omega t_0 = -\theta_s$  — matched filter

- filter output is the correlation measurement with the expected signal (as in the likelihood ratio (!))
- matched filtration can be treated statistically (likelihoods, statistics, etc.)
- no dependence on the signal shape
- SRN depends only on the energy of signal
- linear time-invariant systems
- filter can be split (dedispersion, spectral filtration, detection on intermediate frequency, etc.)
- correlation measurements is the basis for any signal decomposition

ter  $g(t) = A s(t_0 - t)$  —impulse response

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#### Statistical properties of the correlations

$$z = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)y(t) \, dt$$

- x(t) — gaussian process (zero mean and  $\sigma^2$  variance) - y(t) — filter/template signal/...

$$E\{z\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2(t) dt = E$$

- All decomposition components are affected according to their energy

$$z = \sum_{i} x_{i} y_{i}$$



 $D\left\{z\right\} = \sigma E$ 



### Level of single antenna

- Transient detection (pulsars, FRB, ...)
- Signal shape it unknown in general case. Desire of generalization or signal decomposition
- Unavoidable drop of the detection threshold (payment for generalization)
- Local: Daubechies wavelets (orthogonal family of wavelets, filter bank with decimation)
- Global: Walsh-Hadamard transform (similar to discrete Fourier transform)

No showable results yet



## Summary and plans

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- Simple simulation of the correlation effect described by the VCZ theorem (totally from scratch).

#### **Close plans**

- Studying the Walsh-Hadamard and wavelet and signal decompositions (i.e. local and global) and corresponding statistical signal identification, etc.
- Measuring information in time series based on likelihood values of the individual signal components.

- Understanding digital signal processing is crucially important (nothing to do with electronics or hardware)

- Identification of the internal connection of the Bayesian detection approach, likelihood ratio test, optimal filter.

