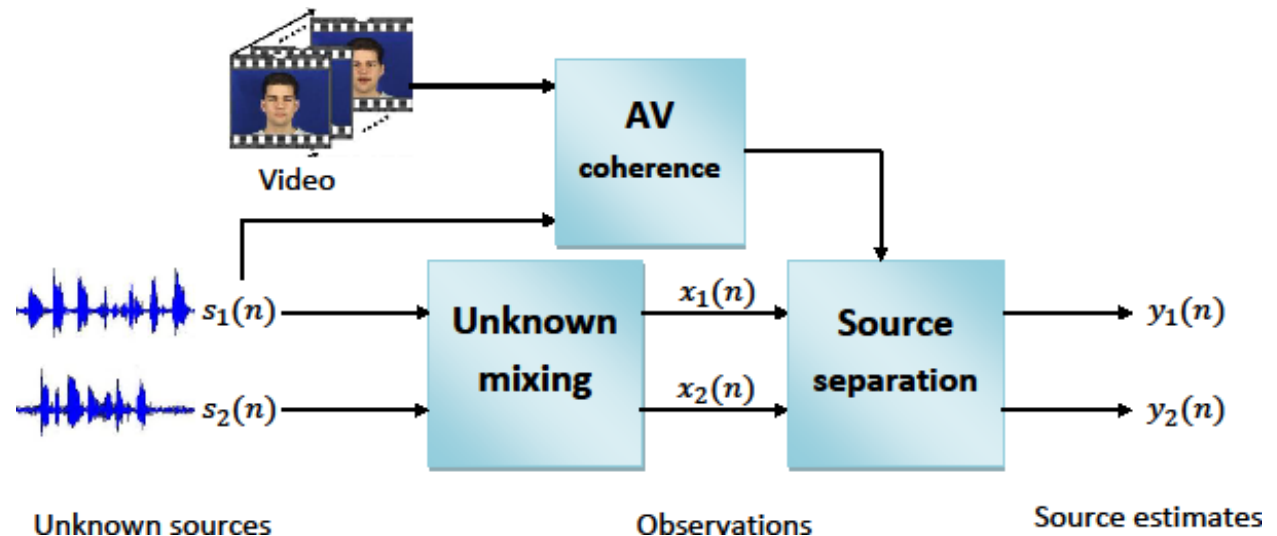


# Audio-Visual Dictionary Learning and Probabilistic Time-Frequency Masking in Convolutional and Noisy Source Separation



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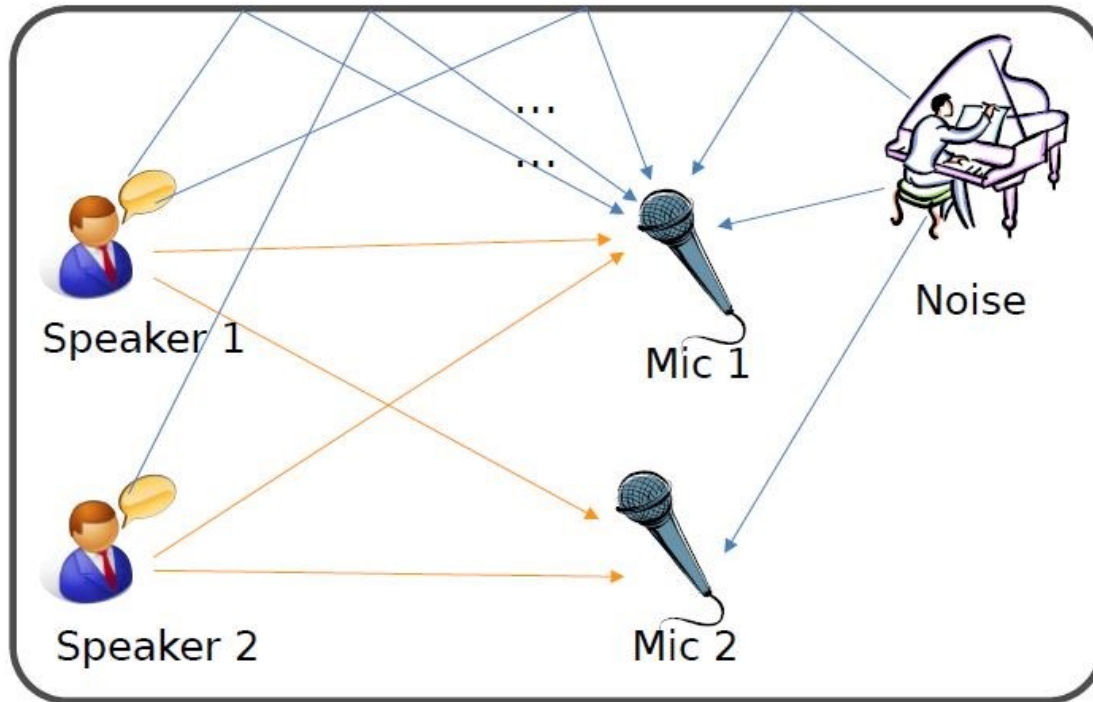
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# Outline

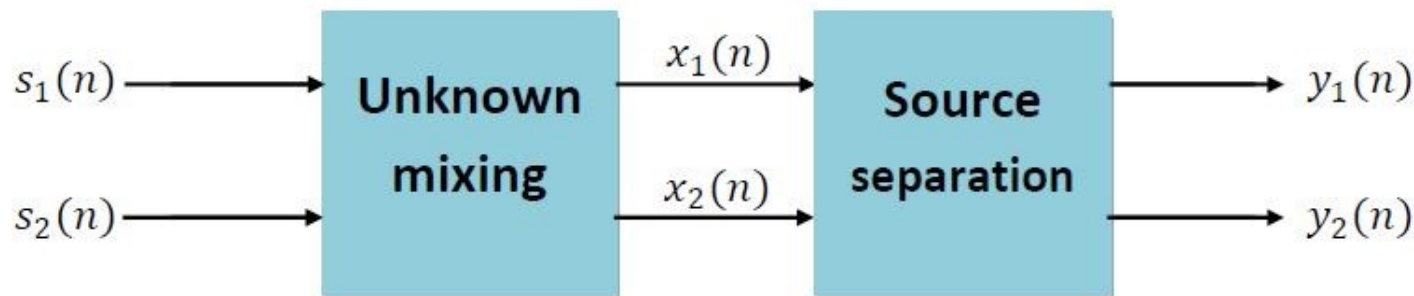
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  - Time-frequency mask fusion
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# Introduction----Cocktail party problem



- Independent component analysis (ICA)
- Time-frequency (TF) masking

“Blind” source separation  
**BSS**



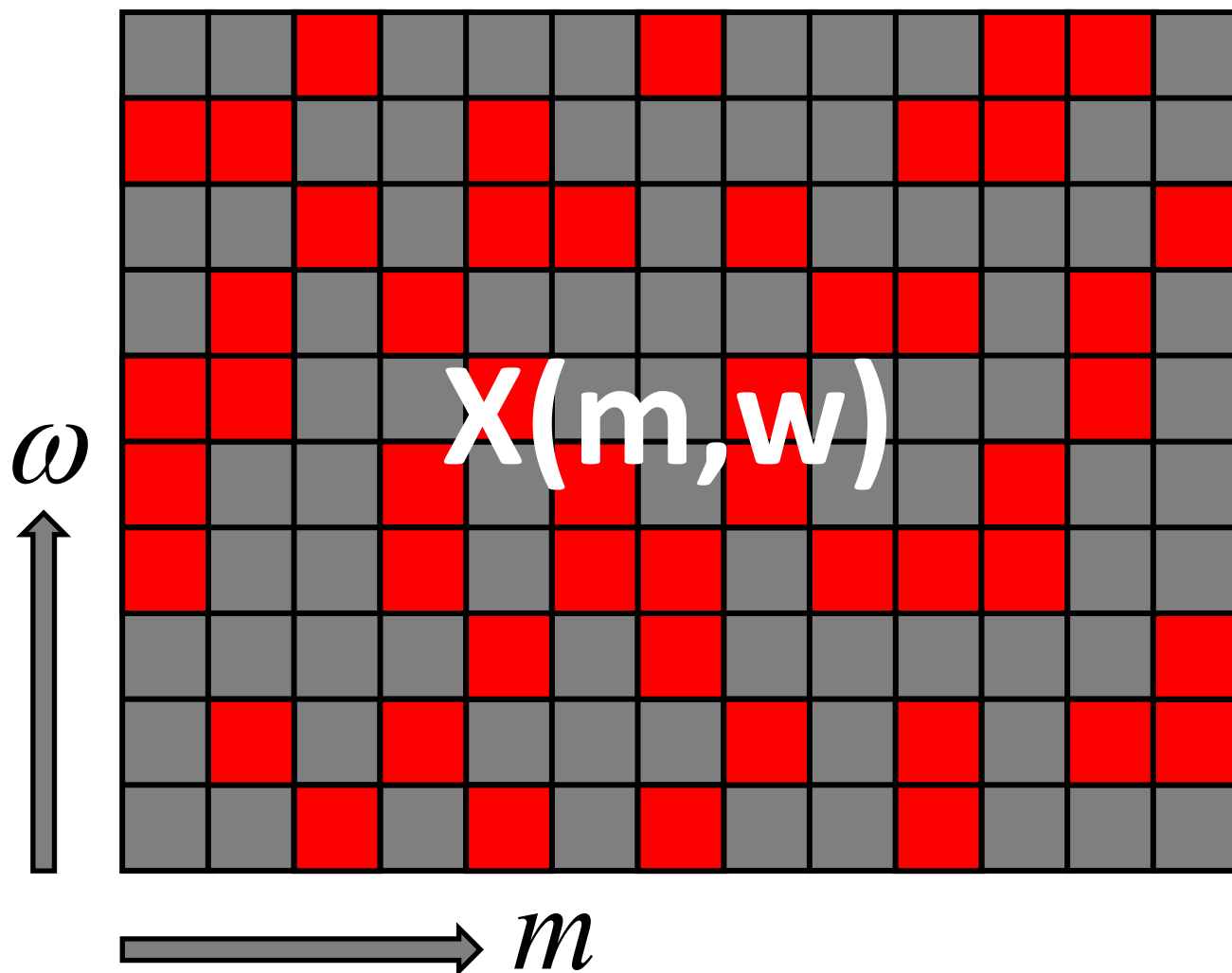
Sources

Observations

Source estimates

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# BSS using TF masking

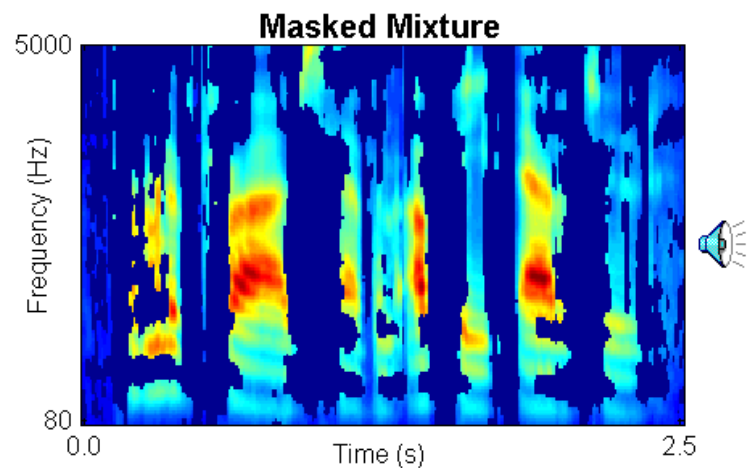
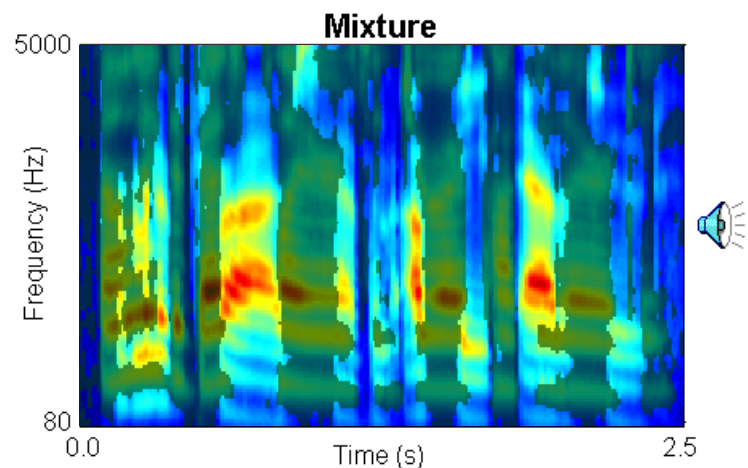
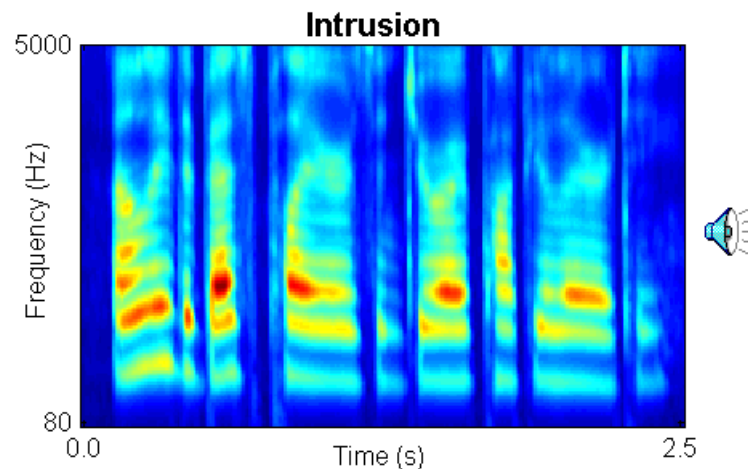
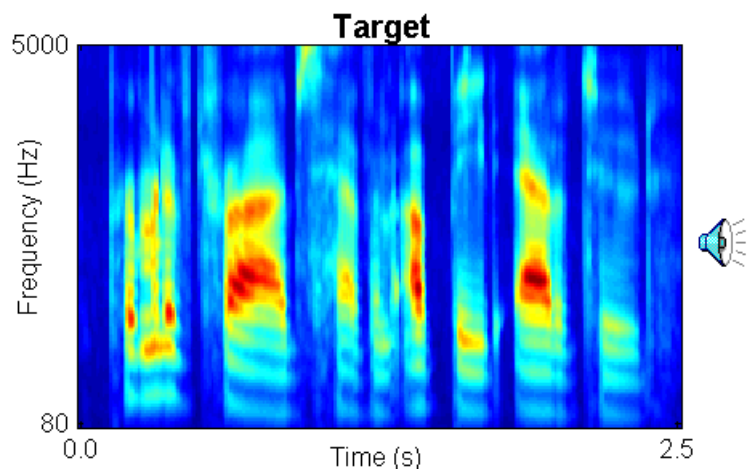


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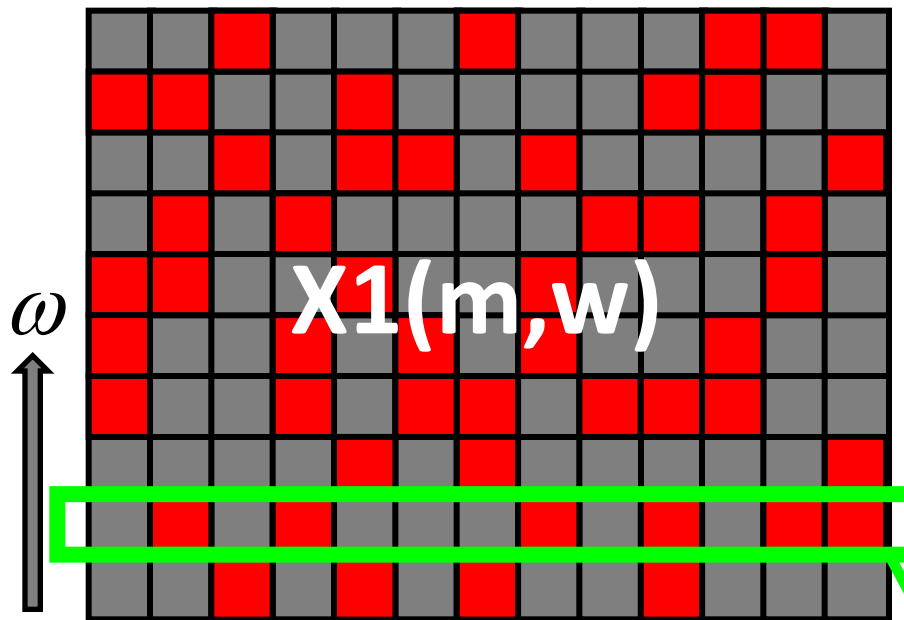
Onset  
Periodicity  
Harmonicity  
Locations  
Binarual cues

**Sparsity assumption** ----- each TF point is dominated by one source signal.

# Benchmark: ideal binary mask (IBM)



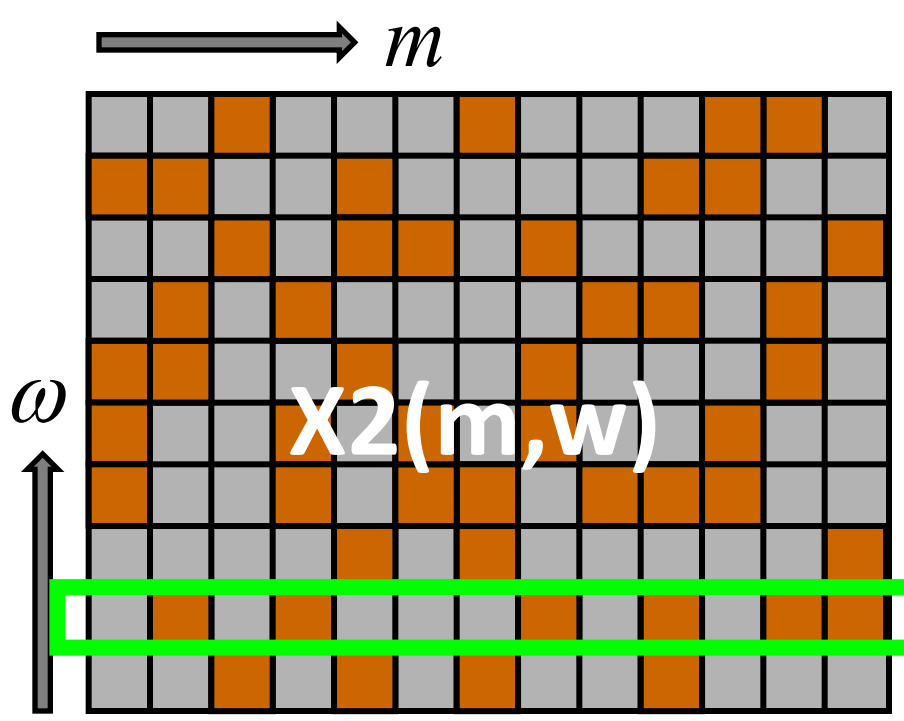
Demonstrations by DeLiang Wang, The Ohio State Univ.



$$\frac{X_1(m, \omega)}{X_2(m, \omega)} \Rightarrow \alpha(m, \omega), \beta(m, \omega)$$

**IPD**

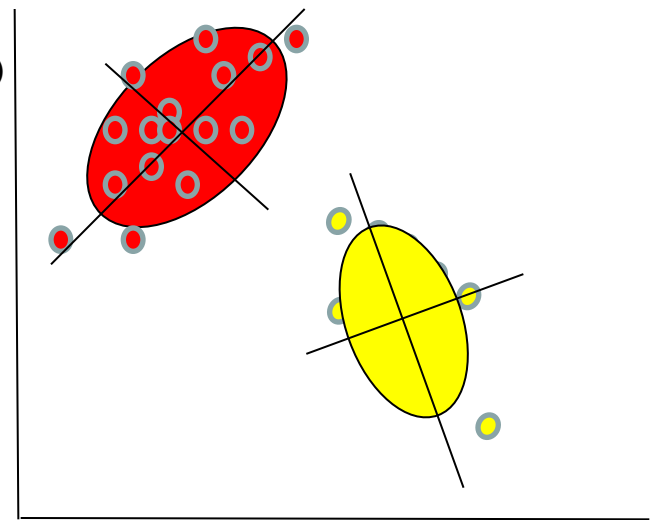
**ILD**



$\omega_2$

$\omega_2$

$\beta(m, \omega_2)$



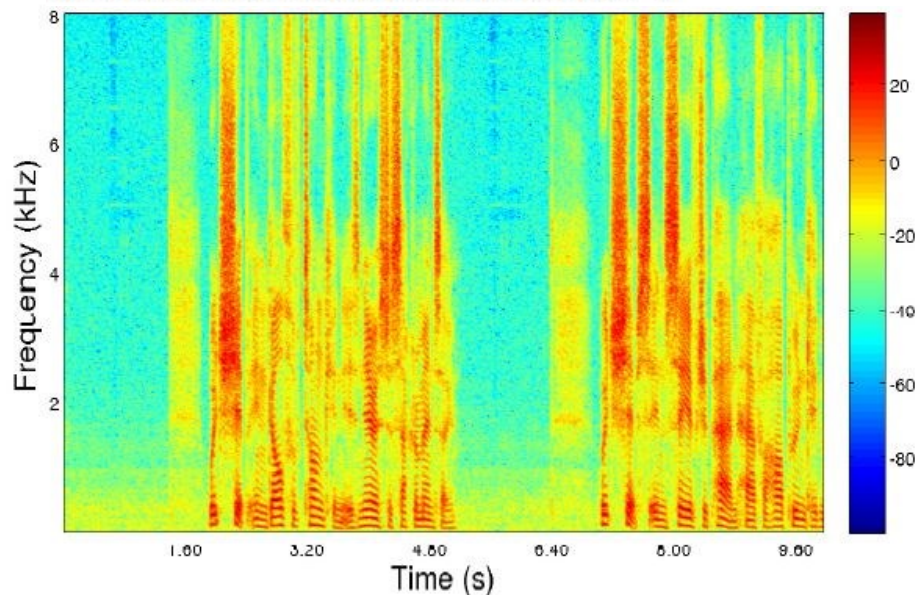
$\alpha(m, \omega_2)$

# Adverse effects

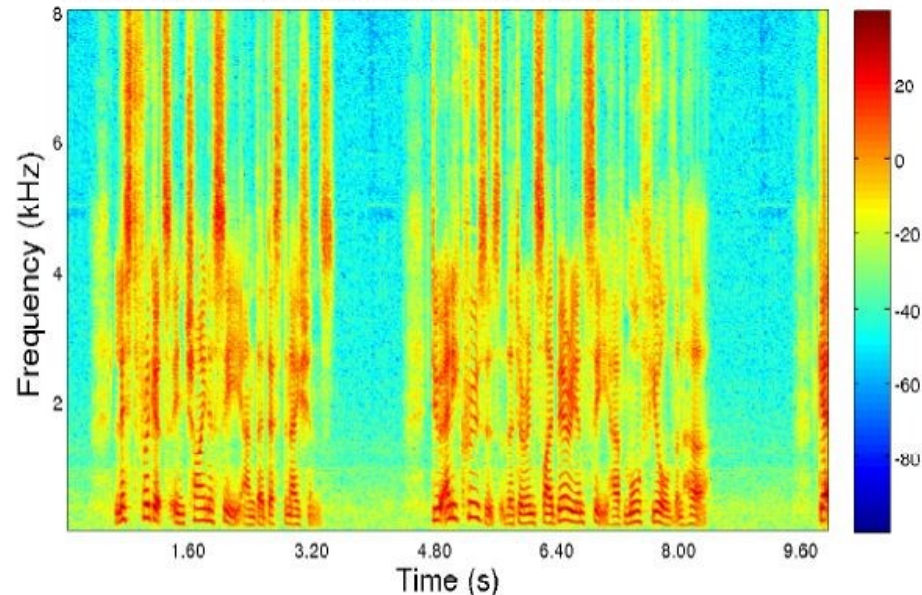
- Acoustic noise
- Reverberations



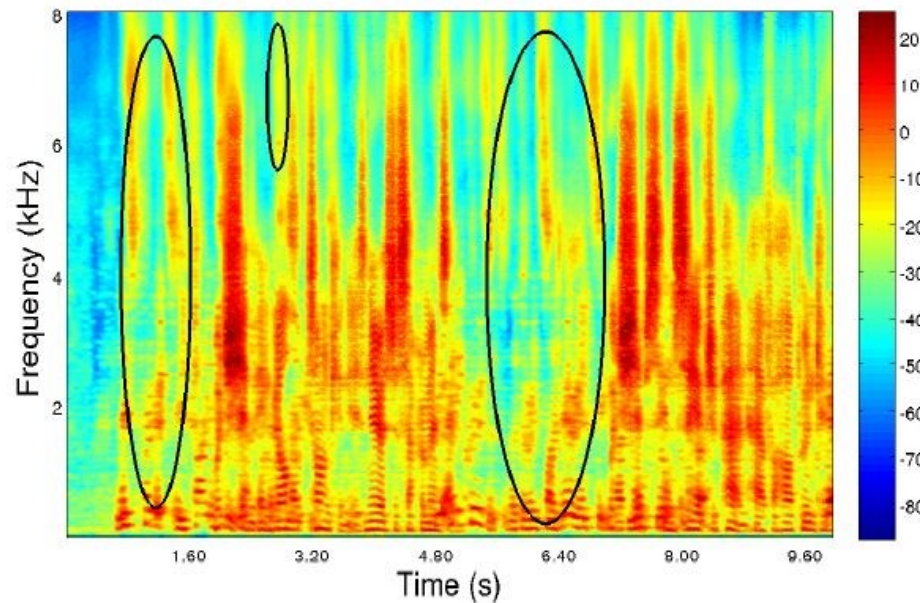
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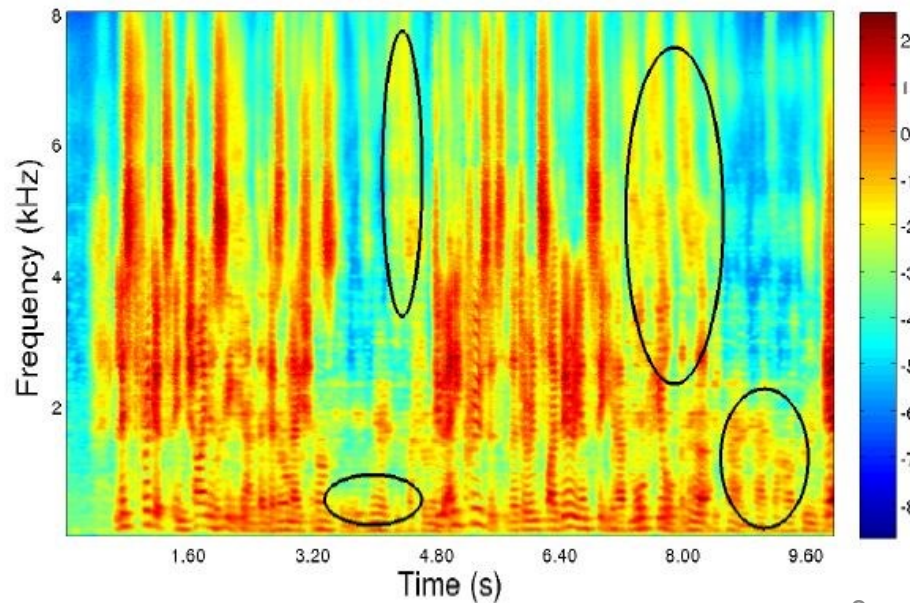
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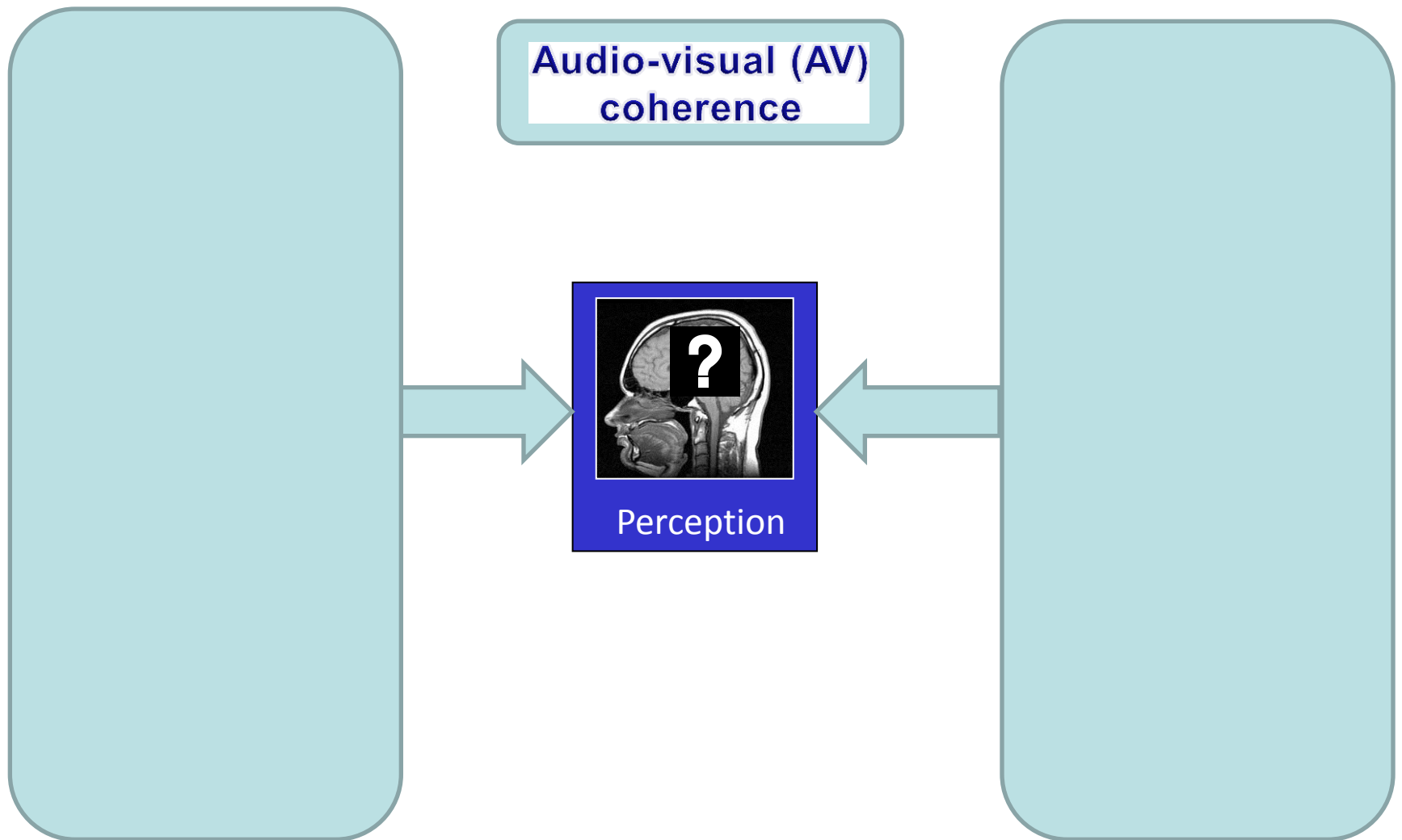
(c) Magnitude spectrum of source 1 estimate



(d) Magnitude spectrum of source 2 estimate



# Why AV-BSS?----AV coherence



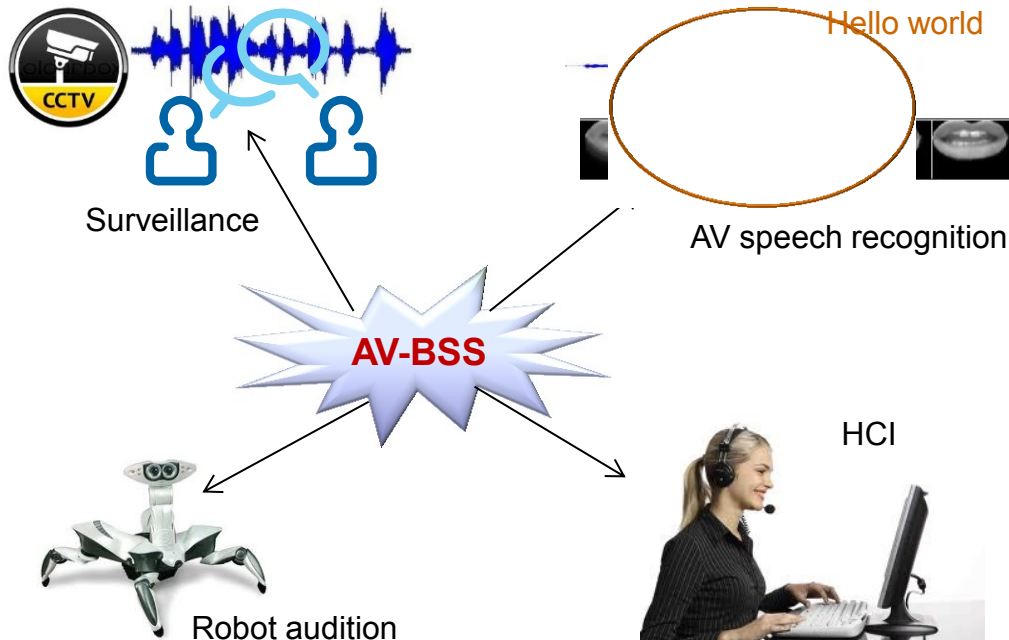
# Why AV-BSS?

- The audio-domain BSS algorithms **degrade in adverse conditions**.
- The visual stream contains **complementary information** to the coherent audio stream.

Objective

How can the visual modality be used to assist audio-domain BSS algorithms in noisy and reverberant conditions?

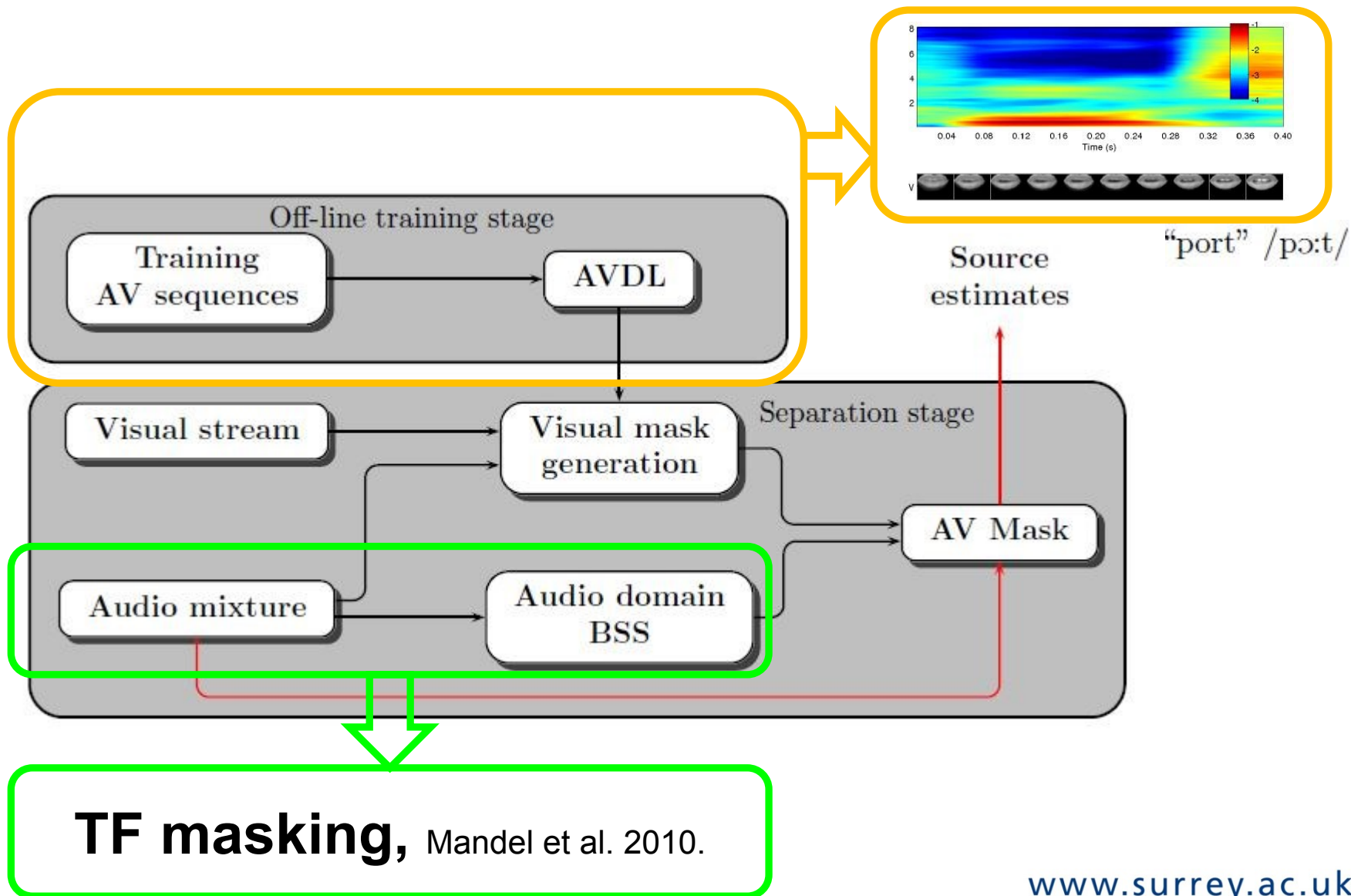
Potential applications



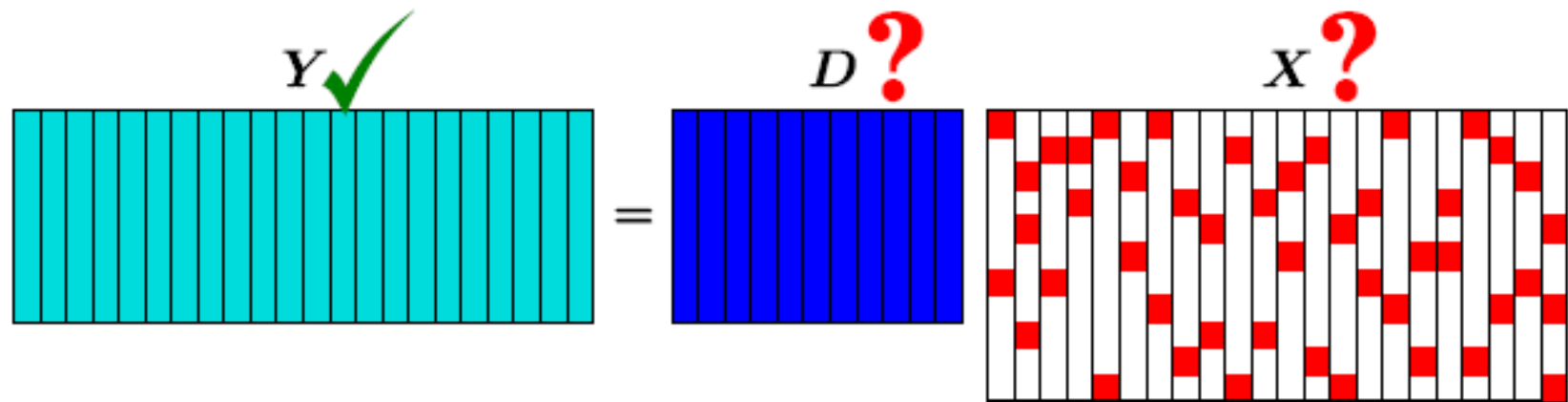
Key Challenges

- Reliable **AV coherence modelling**
- **Bimodal differences** in size, dimensionality and sampling rates
- **Fusion of AV coherence** with audio-domain **BSS** methods

# AVDL based BSS

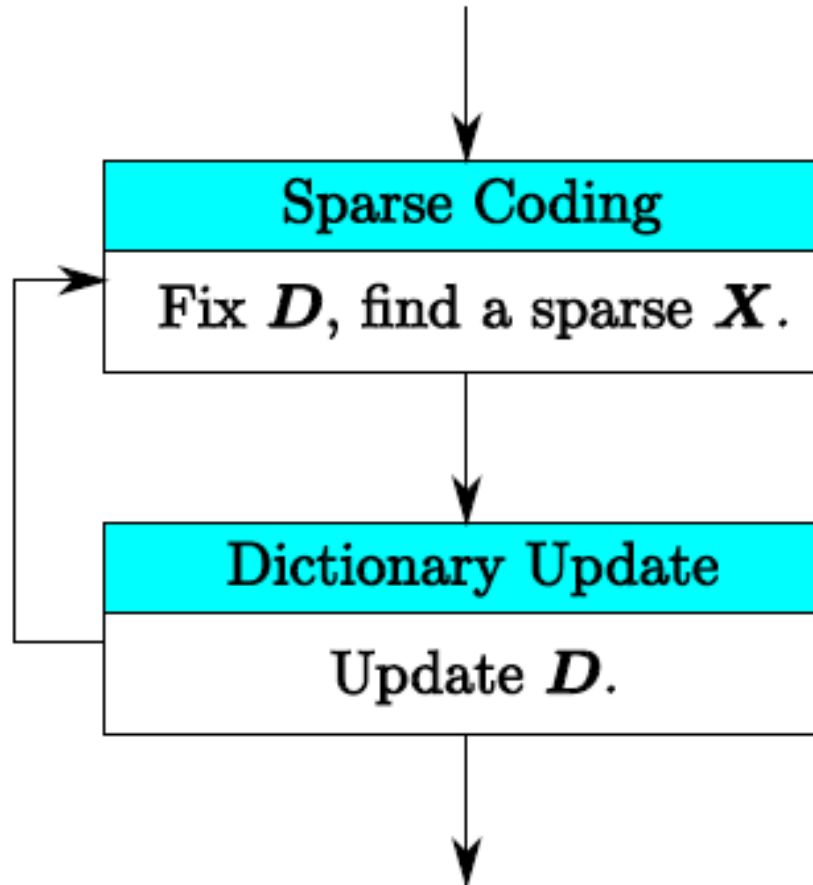


# Dictionary learning

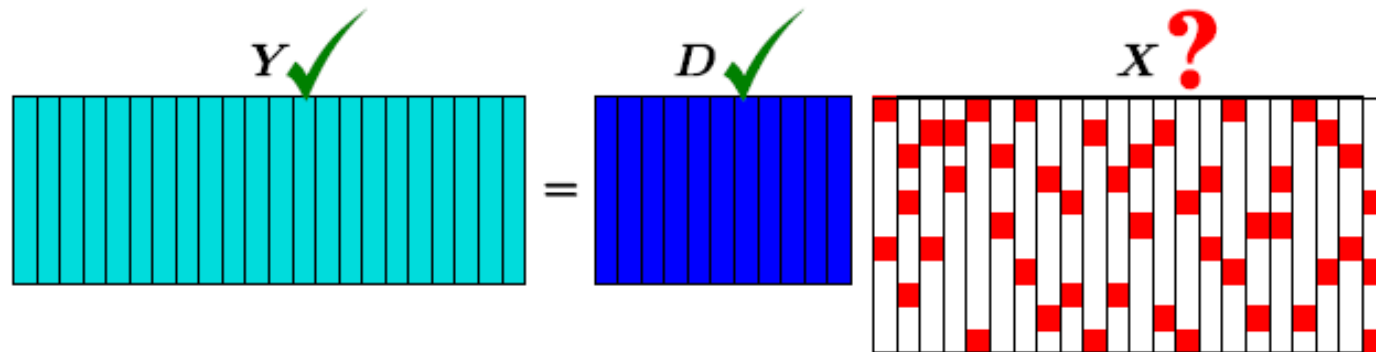


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# A two-stage procedure



# Sparse coding (approximation)



$$\min \|X\|_0 \text{ s.t. } \|Y - DX\|_F^2 \leq \epsilon.$$

## Greedy algorithms:

- OMP Y. Pati, et al. 1993; J. Tropp 2004
- Subspace pursuit (SP) W. Dai and O. Milenkovic 2009 CoSaMP D. Needell and J. Tropp 2009
- IHT T. Blumensath and M. Davies 2009

# Dictionary update: the formulation



- Constraints:

- ▶ Fixed sparsity pattern

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega &= \{(i, j) : X_{i,j} \neq 0\}, \\ \mathcal{X}_\Omega &= \{X : X_{i,j} = 0, \forall (i, j) \in \Omega^c\}.\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Unit norm codewords

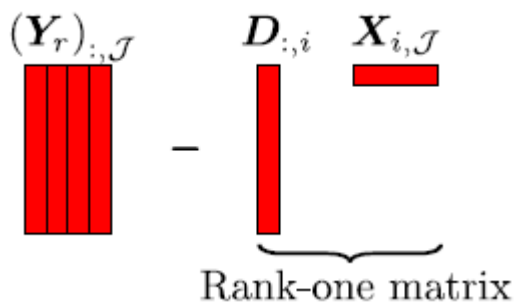
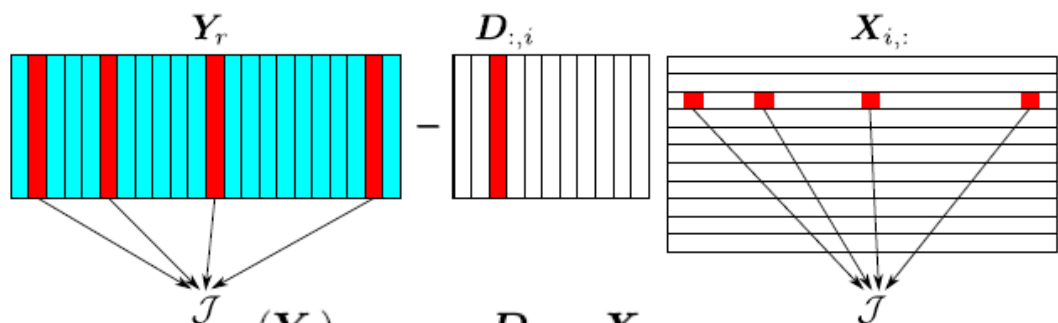
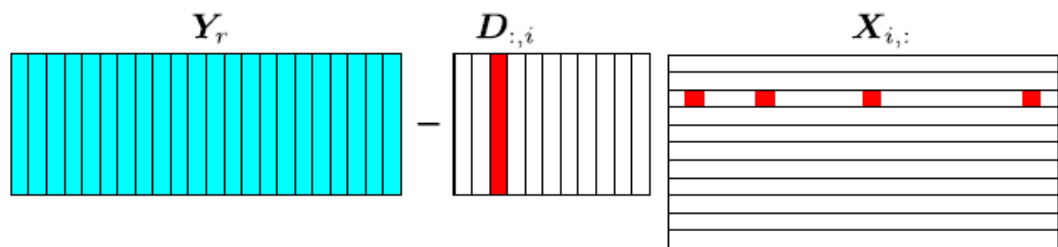
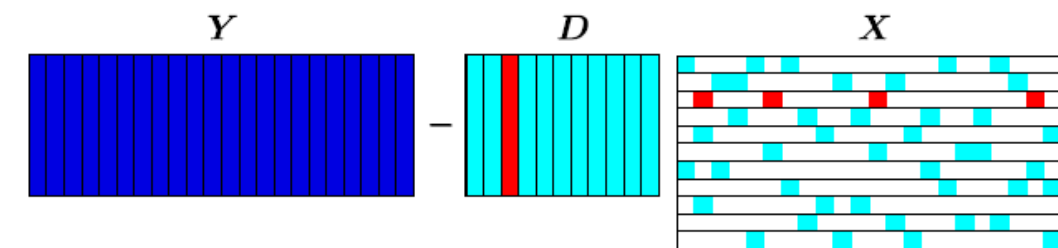
$$\mathcal{D} = \{D : \|D_{:,j}\|_2 = 1, \forall j \in [d]\}.$$

- Dictionary Update:

$$\min_{D \in \mathcal{D}, X \in \mathcal{X}_\Omega} \|Y - DX\|_F^2.$$



# Dictionary update: K-SVD algorithm

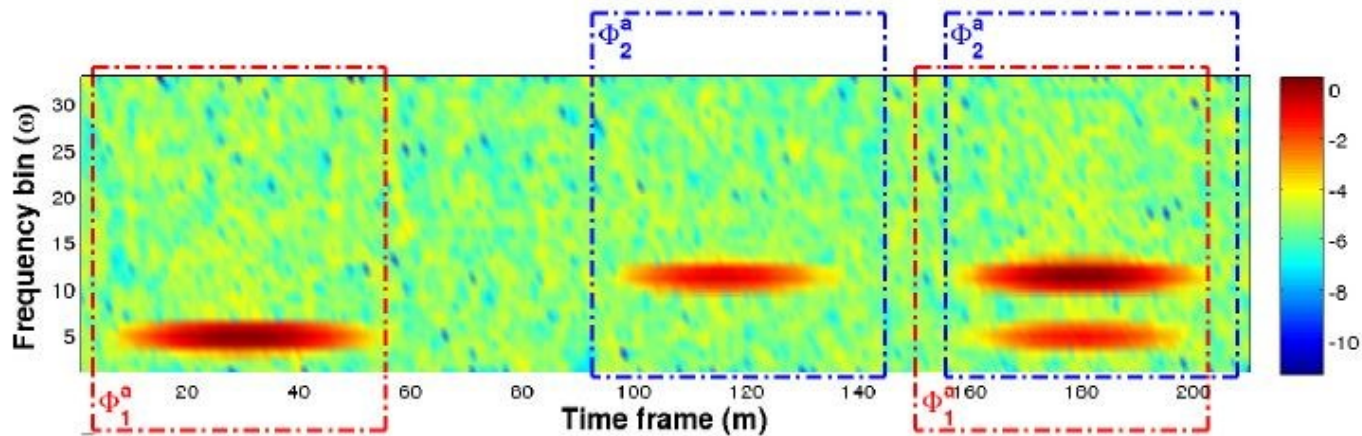


$$\begin{aligned} & \|Y - DX\|^2 \\ &= \|Y - D_{:,j \neq i} X_{j \neq i,:} - D_{:,i} X_{i,:}\|^2 \\ &= \|Y_r - D_{:,i} X_{i,:}\|^2 \\ &= \|(Y_r)_{:,J} - D_{:,i} X_{i,J}\|^2 + c \end{aligned}$$

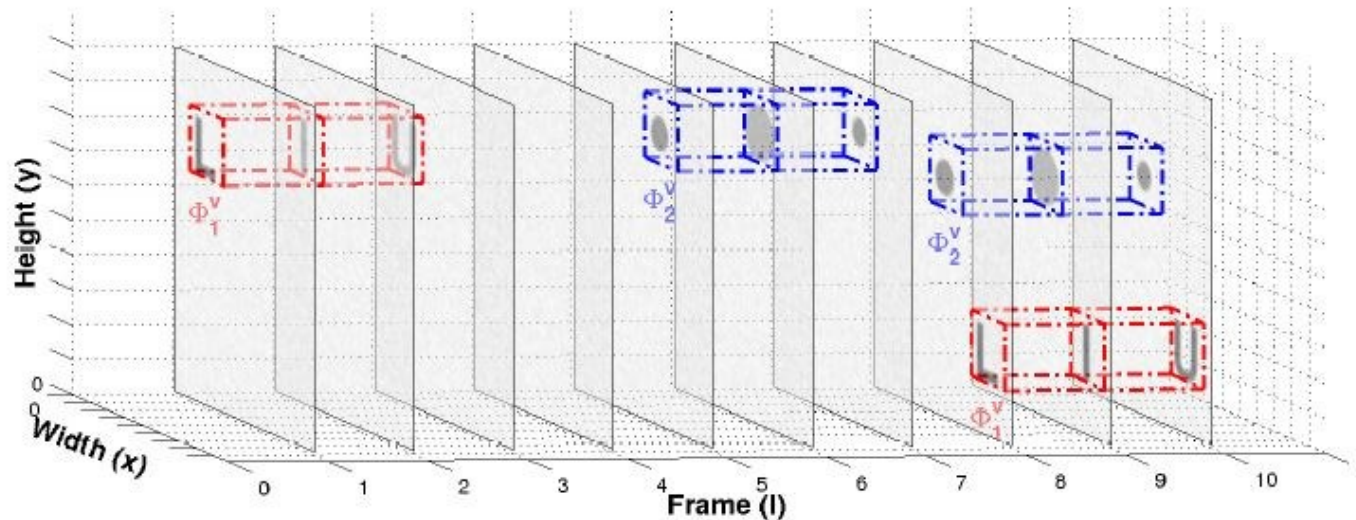
# Audio-visual dictionary learning: a generative model

$$\begin{pmatrix} \psi^a(m) \\ \psi^v(y, x, l) \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\psi}^a(m) \\ \hat{\psi}^v(y, x, l) \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{d=1}^D \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{\check{m}=1}^{M_s} c_{d\check{m}} \phi_d^a(m - \check{m}) \\ \sum_{\check{y}=1, \check{x}=1, \check{l}=1}^{Y_s, X_s, L_s} b_{d\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}} \phi_d^v(y - \check{y}, x - \check{x}, l - \check{l}) \end{pmatrix}$$

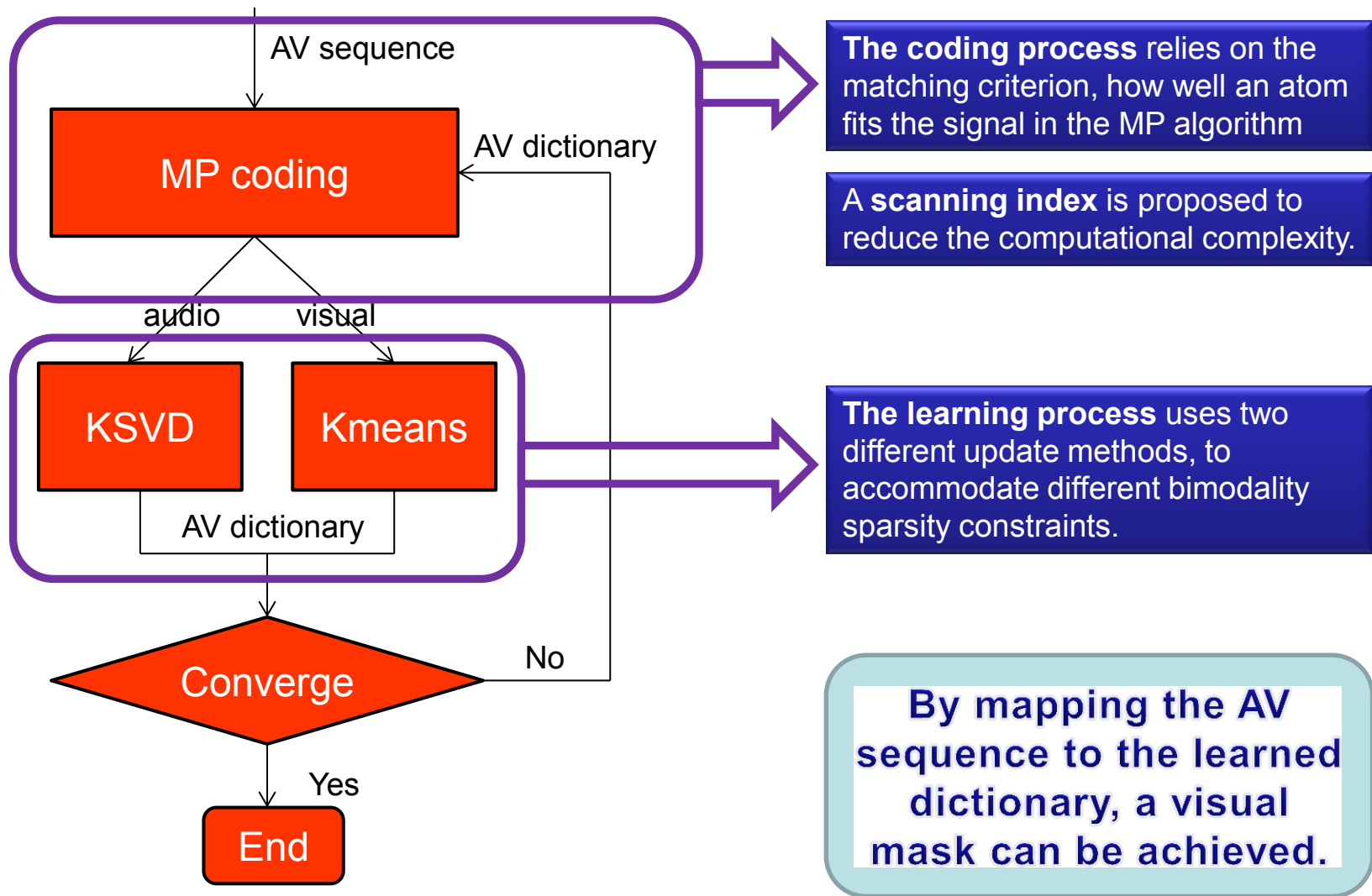
# Sparse assumption of AVDL



(a) Audio stream  $\psi^a$



# Flow of the AVDL



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## Algorithm 1: Framework of the Proposed AVDL

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**Input:** A training AV sequence  $\boldsymbol{\psi} = (\boldsymbol{\psi}^a; \boldsymbol{\psi}^v)$ , an initial  $\mathcal{D}$  with  $K$  atoms, and the number of non-zero coefficients  $N$

**Output:** An AV dictionary  $\mathcal{D} = \{\boldsymbol{\phi}_k\}_{k=1}^K$

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1  Initialization:  $iter = 1, MaxIter$ 
2  while  $iter \leq MaxIter$  do
3  %Coding stage
4  Given  $\mathcal{D}$ , decompose  $\boldsymbol{\psi}$  using (1) to obtain  $\Omega$ .
5  %Learning stage
6  Given  $\Omega$  and the residual  $\boldsymbol{v}$ , update  $\mathcal{D} = \{\boldsymbol{\phi}_k\}$ 
   for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, K$  to fit model (1).
7   $iter = iter + 1$ 
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# The coding process

$$J^{av}(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}\check{m}}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k) = J^a(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^a) J^v(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}}^v, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^v),$$

$$J_{\text{Mon}}^a = |\langle \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^a \rangle|$$

$$J^v(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}}^v, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^v) = \exp \left\{ \frac{-1}{YXL} \left\| \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}}^v - \boldsymbol{\phi}_k^v \right\|_1 \right\}.$$

$$[k_n, y_n, x_n, l_n, m_n] = \arg \max_{[k, \check{y}, \check{x}, \check{l}, \check{m}]} J^{av}(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}\check{m}}, \boldsymbol{\phi}_k),$$

$$B(k_n, y_n, x_n, l_n) = 1$$

$$C(k_n, m_n) = J^a(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{m_n}^a, \boldsymbol{\phi}_{k_n}^a).$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{l_n}^a \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{l_n}^a - C(k_n, l_n) \boldsymbol{\phi}_{k_n}^a.$$

# The coding process (algorithm)

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**Algorithm 2:** The Coding State of the Proposed AVDL

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**Input:** An AV sequence  $\psi$ , the dictionary  $\mathcal{D} = \{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^K$ , the threshold  $\delta$ , the number of non-zero coefficients  $N$

**Output:** The coding parameter set  $\Omega = \{\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}\}$  and residual  $\mathbf{v}$

- 1 **Initialization:** Set  $\Omega$  with zero tensors,
- $\mathbf{v} = \psi, n = 1, J_{opt} = J_{max} = 0$
- 2 Calculate  $\mathcal{S}^{av}$  using (10) to (13).
- 3 **while**  $n \leq N$  and  $J_{opt} \geq \delta J_{max}$  **do**
- 4   % Projection
- 5    $\mathcal{L} = \begin{cases} \{1 : L_s\}, & n=1 \\ l_{n-1} + \{1 - L : L - 1\}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- 6   **for**  $k \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $K$  **do**
- 7     **foreach**  $\check{l} \in \mathcal{L}$  **do**
- 8       Calculate  $J^a(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a, \phi_k^a)$ , where  $\check{m}$  is tied with  $\check{l}$  via set (2).
- 9       **foreach**  $(\check{y}, \check{x}), \check{y} \in \{1 : Y_s\}, \check{x} \in \{1 : X_s\}$  **do**
- 10          **if**  $\mathcal{S}^{av}(\check{y}, \check{x}, \check{l}) = 1$  **then**
- 11           Obtain  $J^v(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}}^v, \phi_k^v)$  via (6)  
          and  $J^{av}(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}\check{m}}^{av}, \phi_k)$  via (5).
- 12     % Selection
- 13     Obtain  $[y_n, x_n, l_n, k_n, m_n]$  via (7).
- 14     Update  $\Omega$  via (8).
- 15     Residual calculation via (9).
- 16      $J_{opt} = J^{av}(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{y_n x_n l_n m_n}, \phi_{k_n})$
- 17     **if**  $n = 1$  **then**
- 18        $J_{max} = J^{av}(\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{y_1 x_1 l_1 m_1}, \phi_{k_1})$
- 19      $n = n + 1$

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**Algorithm 3:** The Learning Stage of the Proposed AVDL.

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**Input:** The parameter set  $\Omega = \{\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}\}$ , the residual  $\mathbf{v}$ , the old dictionary  $\mathcal{D} = \{\phi_k\}_{k=1}^K$

**Output:** A new dictionary  $\mathcal{D}$

1 **Initialization:**  $k = 1$

2 **while**  $k \leq K$  **do**

3     Update  $\phi_k^a$ ,  $\mathbf{C}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  via K-SVD using (14) to (17).

4     Update  $\phi_k^v$  via the K-means algorithm

5      $\phi_k^v = \text{Mean}(b_{k\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}} \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{k\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}}^v)$ , subject to  $b_{k\check{y}\check{x}\check{l}} \neq 0$ ,

6      $\forall(\check{y}, \check{x}, \check{l})$

7      $k = k + 1$

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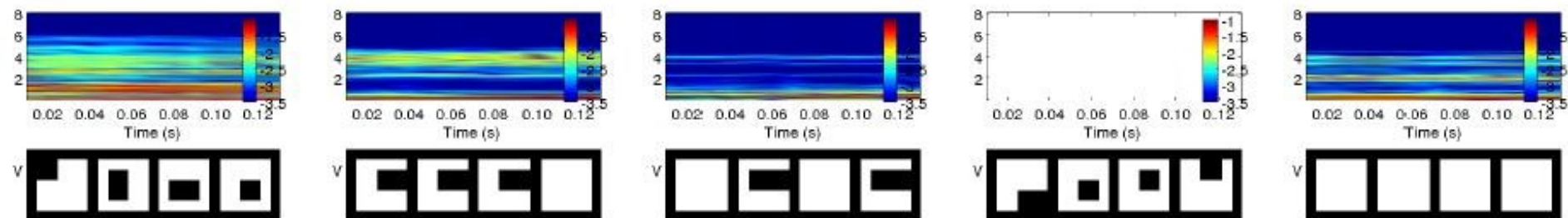
$$\bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a + c_{k\check{m}} \phi_k^a, \quad \forall \check{m}. \quad \phi_k^a \leftarrow \text{ivector}(\mathbf{u}_k | \phi_k^a).$$

$$\Upsilon_k \approx \lambda_k \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{v}_k^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a \leftarrow \bar{\mathbf{v}}_{\check{m}}^a - c_{k\check{m}} \phi_k^a, \quad \forall \check{m}.$$



# AVDL evaluations

## Synthetic data



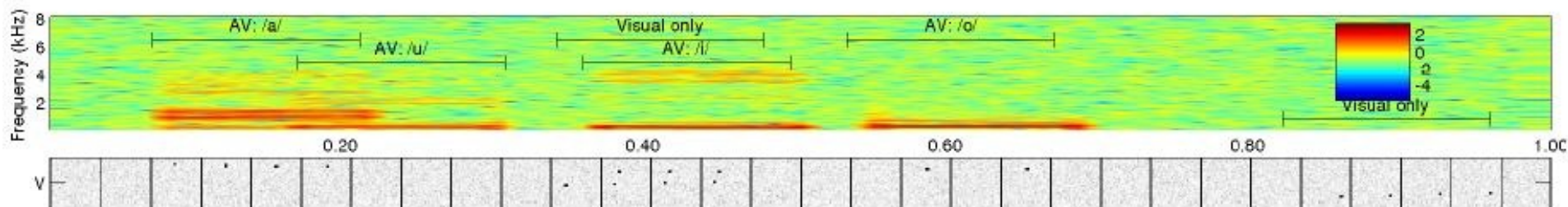
(a) AV: /a/

(b) AV: /i/

(c) AV: /o/

(d) Visual only

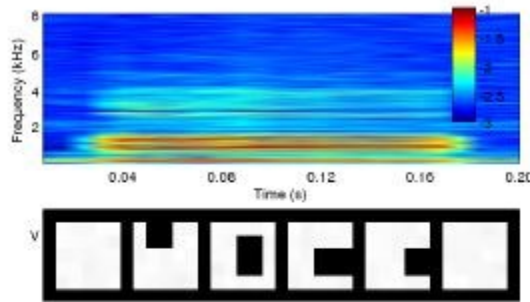
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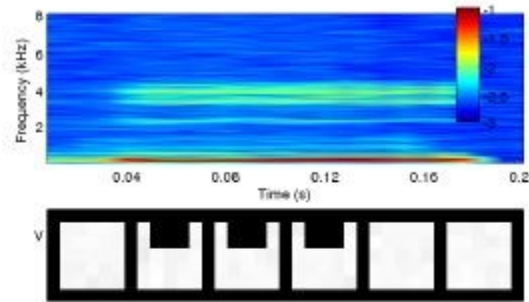
(f) The generated AV synthetic sequence (only one second data is shown)

# AVDL evaluations

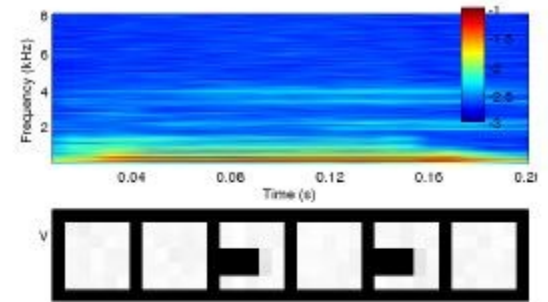
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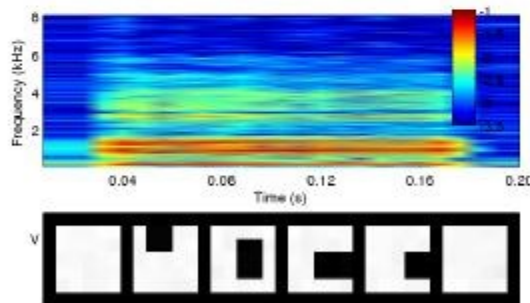
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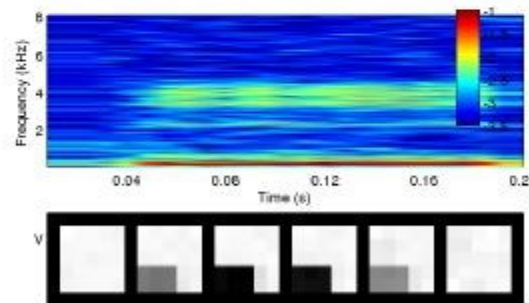
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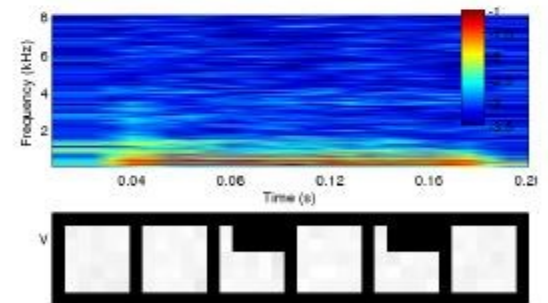
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(d) Monaci: /a/



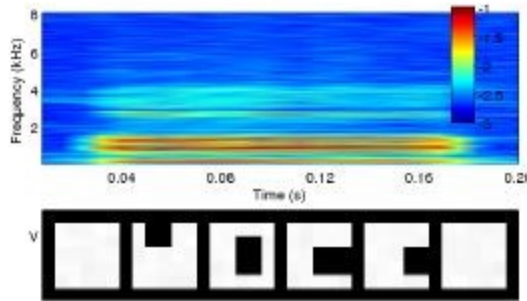
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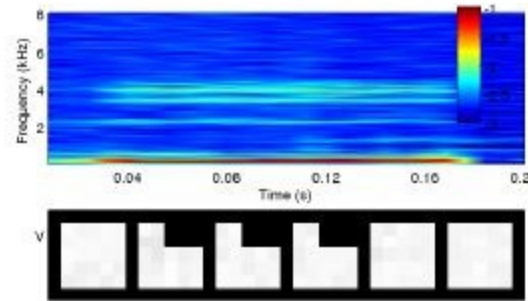
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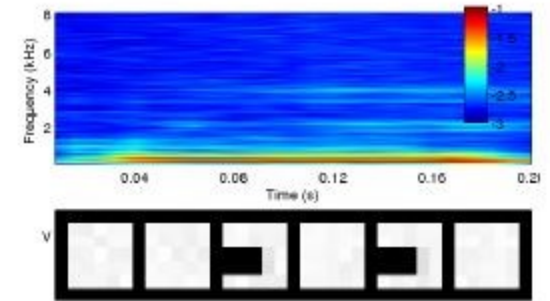
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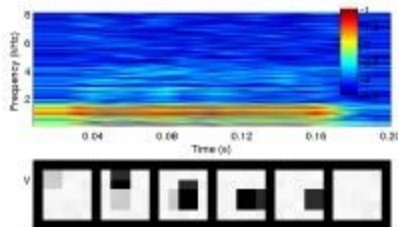
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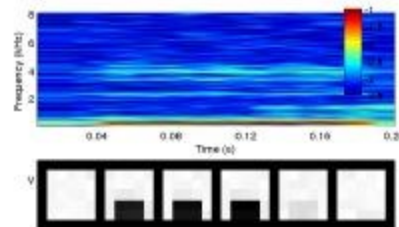
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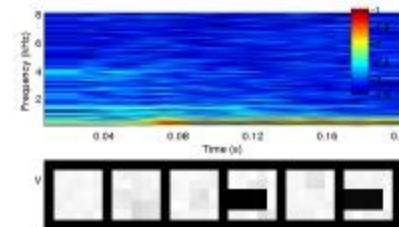
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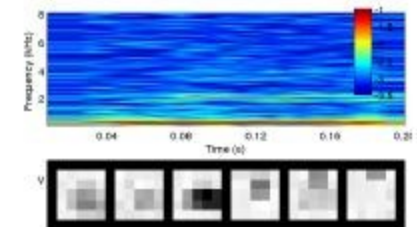
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(e) Monaci2



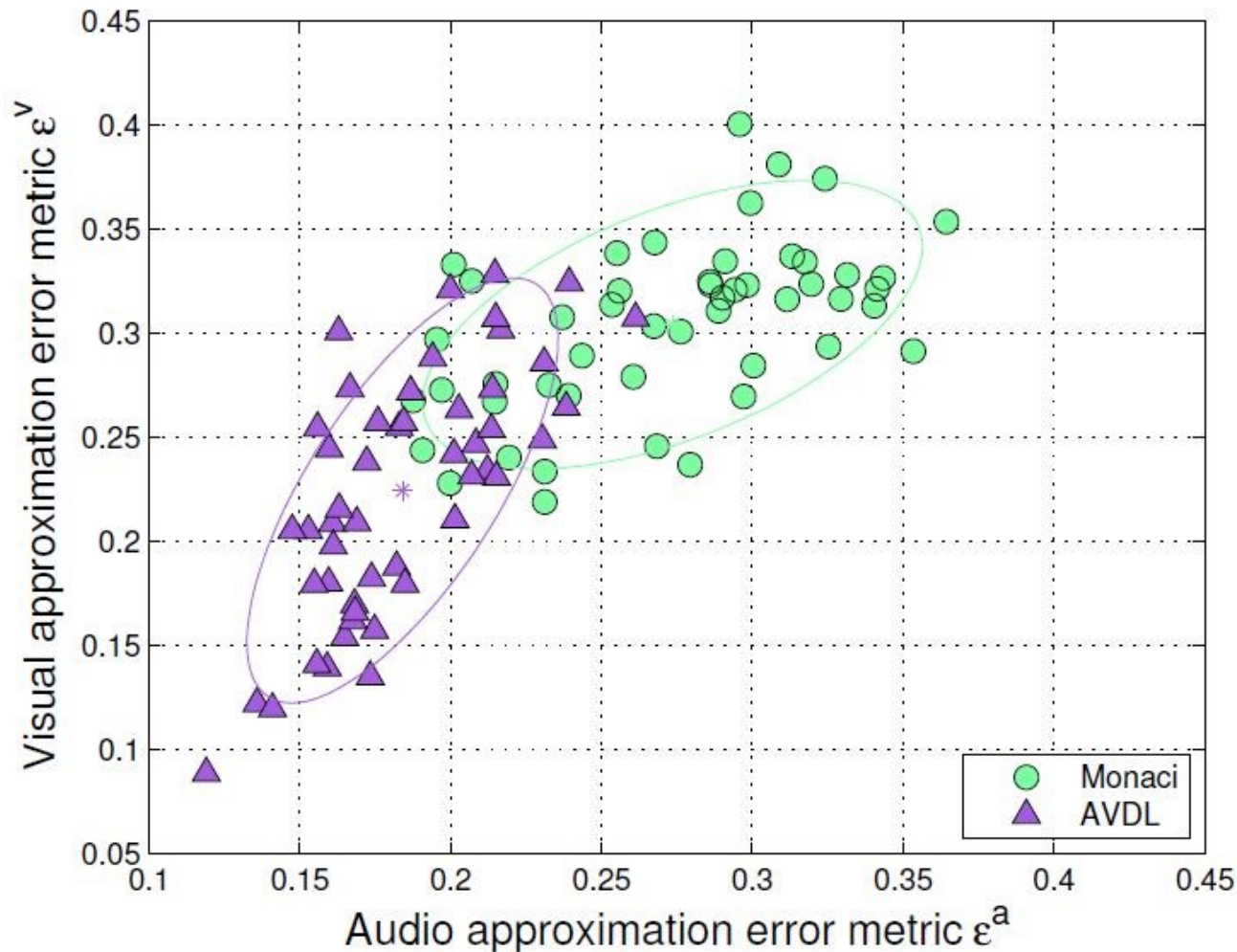
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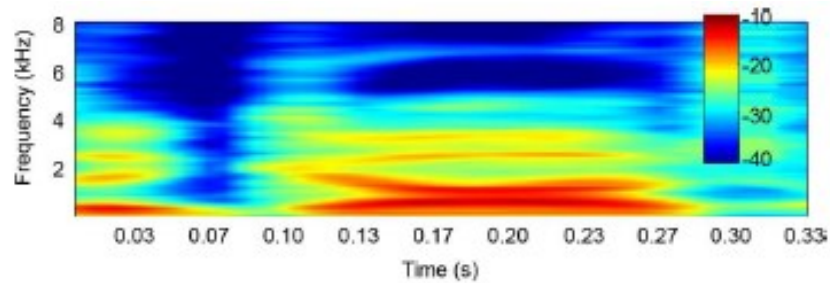
# AVDL evaluations

The approximation error metrics comparison of AVDL and Monaci's method over 50 independent tests over the synthetic data

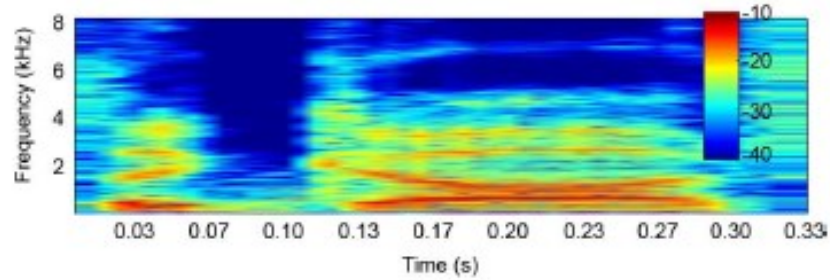


The proposed AVDL outperforms the baseline approach, giving an average of 33% improvement for the audio modality, together with a 26% improvement for the visual modality.

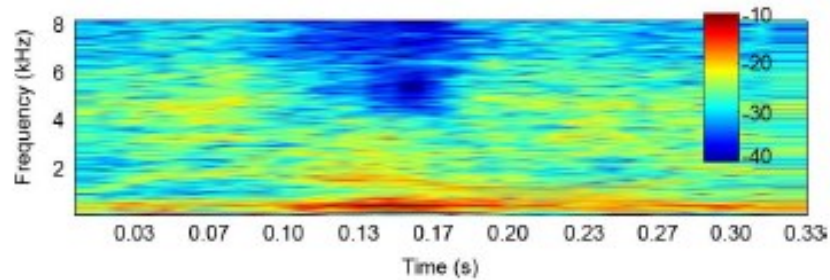
# AVDL evaluations



(a)



(b)



(c)

# AV mask fusion for AVDL-BSS

$$\mathcal{M}^{av}(m, \omega) = \mathcal{M}^a(m, \omega) (\mathcal{M}^v(m, \omega))$$

## Audio mask

Statistically generated by evaluating the IPD and ILD of each TF point.

## Visual mask

Mapping the observation to the learned AV dictionary via the coding stage in AVDL.

# Visual mask generation

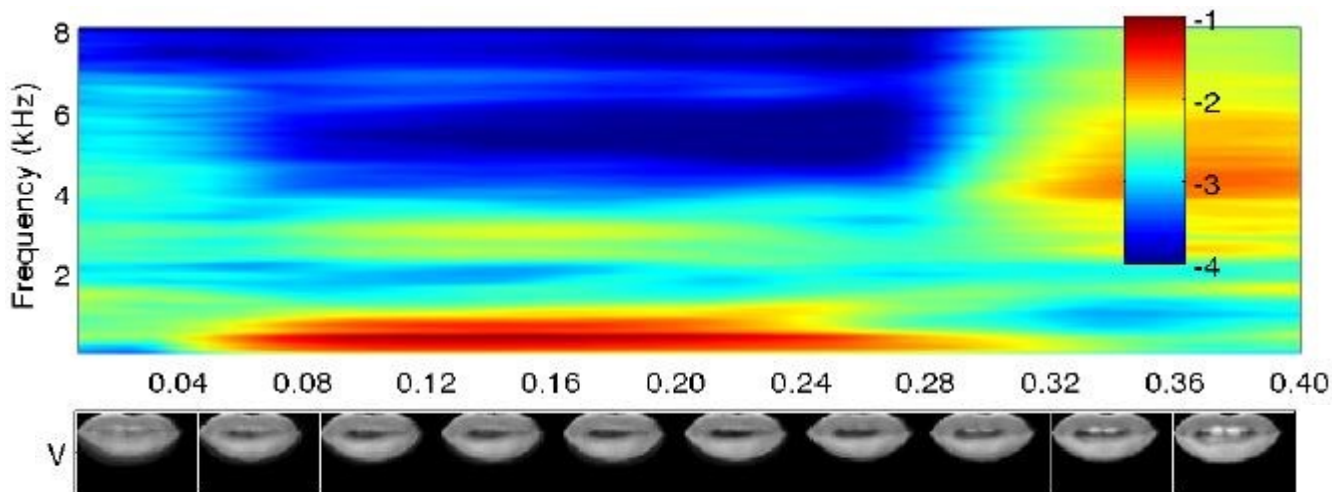
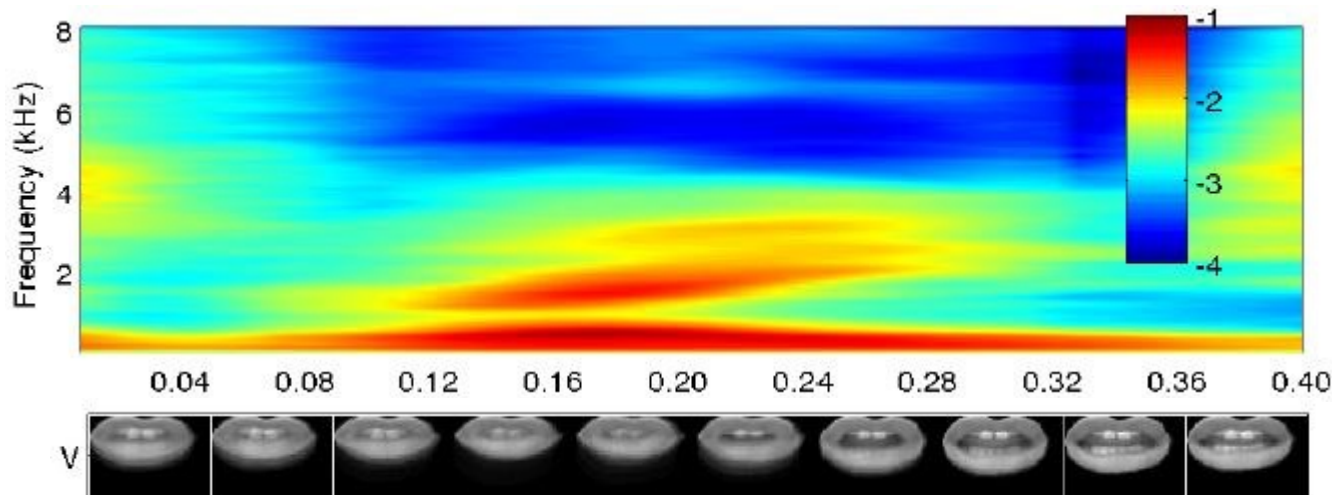
$$\mathcal{M}^v(m, \omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } \hat{\psi}^a(m, \omega) > \psi^a(m, \omega) \\ \hat{\psi}^a(m, \omega) / \psi^a(m, \omega), & \\ \text{otherwise.} & \end{cases}$$

# AVDL evaluations

## Long Speech

Sheerman-Chase et al.  
LILIR Twotalk database  
2011

Lip tracking,  
Ong et al. 2008

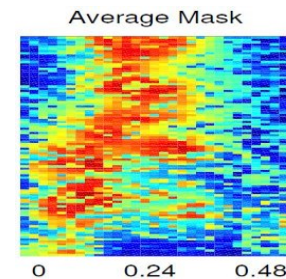
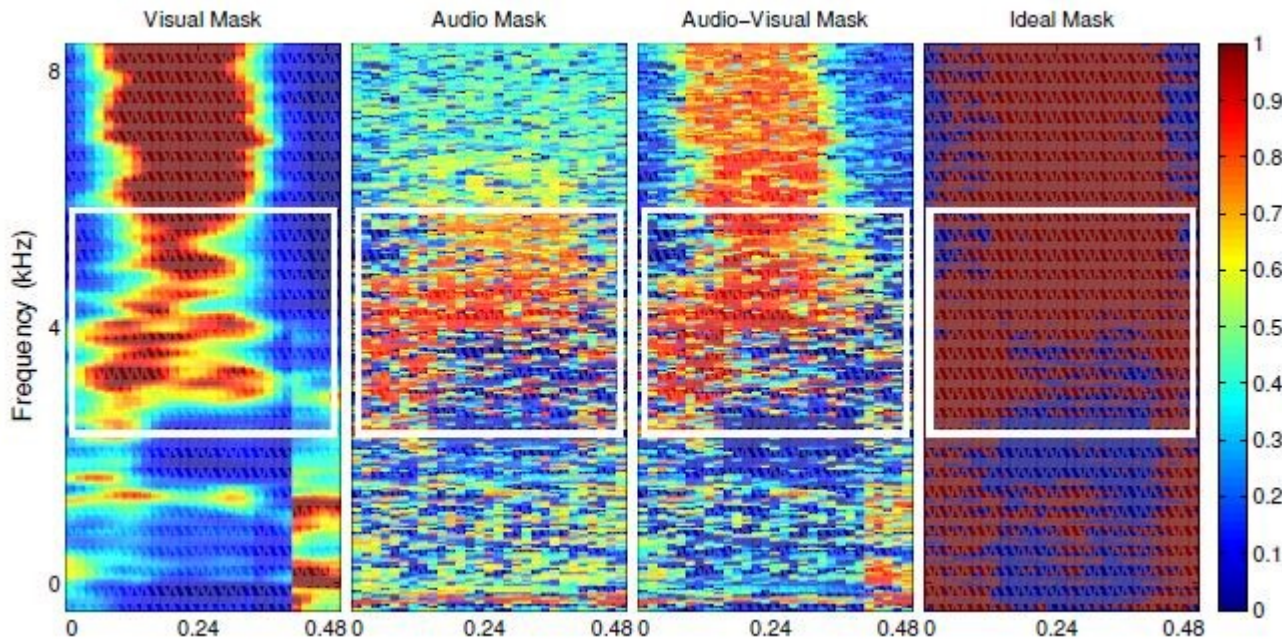
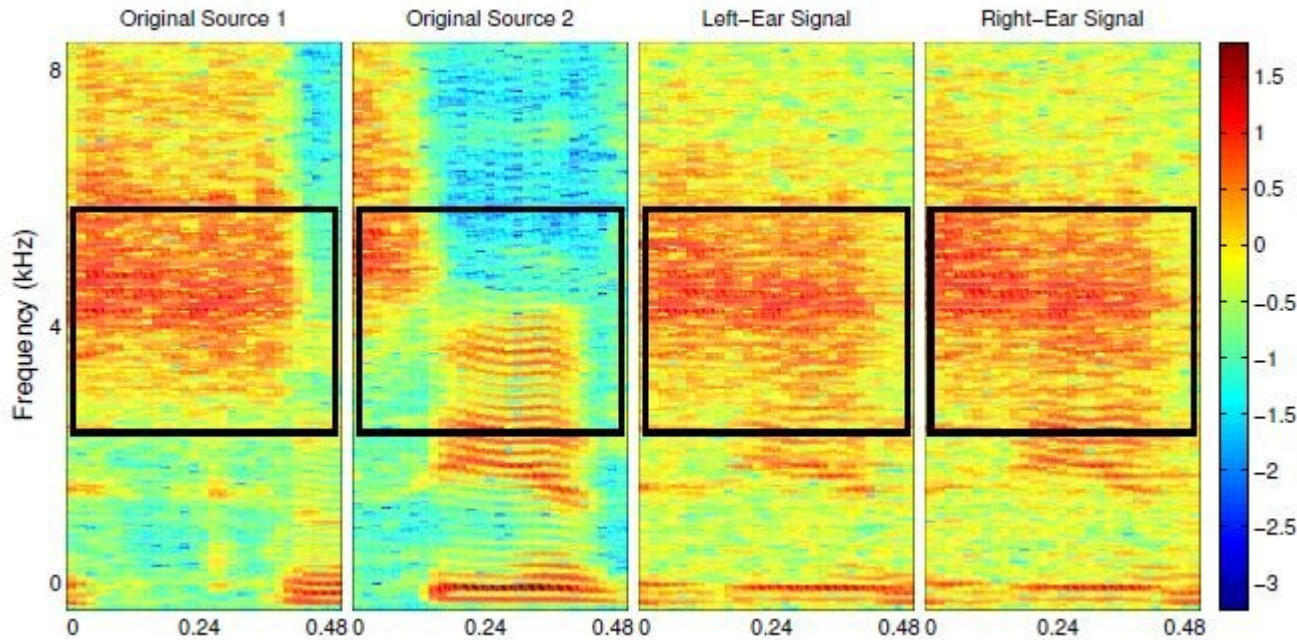


The first AV atom represents the utterance  
“**marine**” /m<sup>ə</sup>ri:n/  
while the second one denotes the utterance  
“**port**” /p<sup>ɔː</sup>t/.



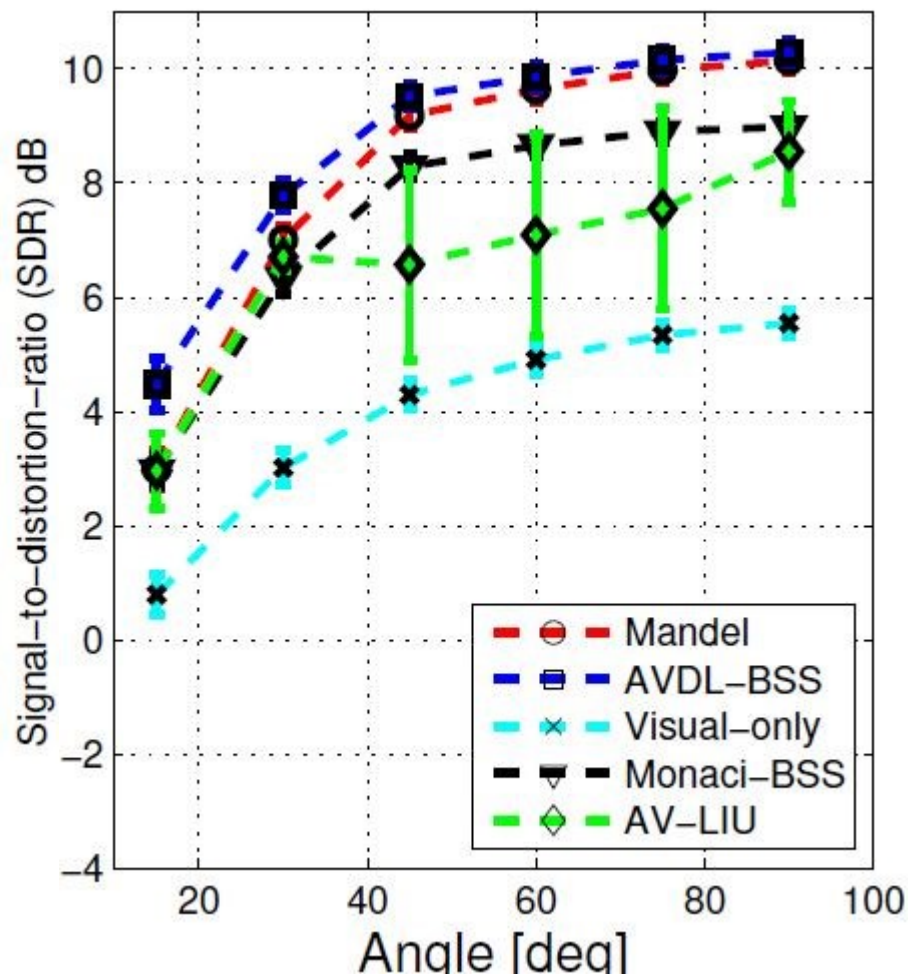
Demonstration of  
TF mask fusion in  
AVDL-BSS

Why do we choose  
the power law  
combination, instead  
of, e.g., a linear  
combination?

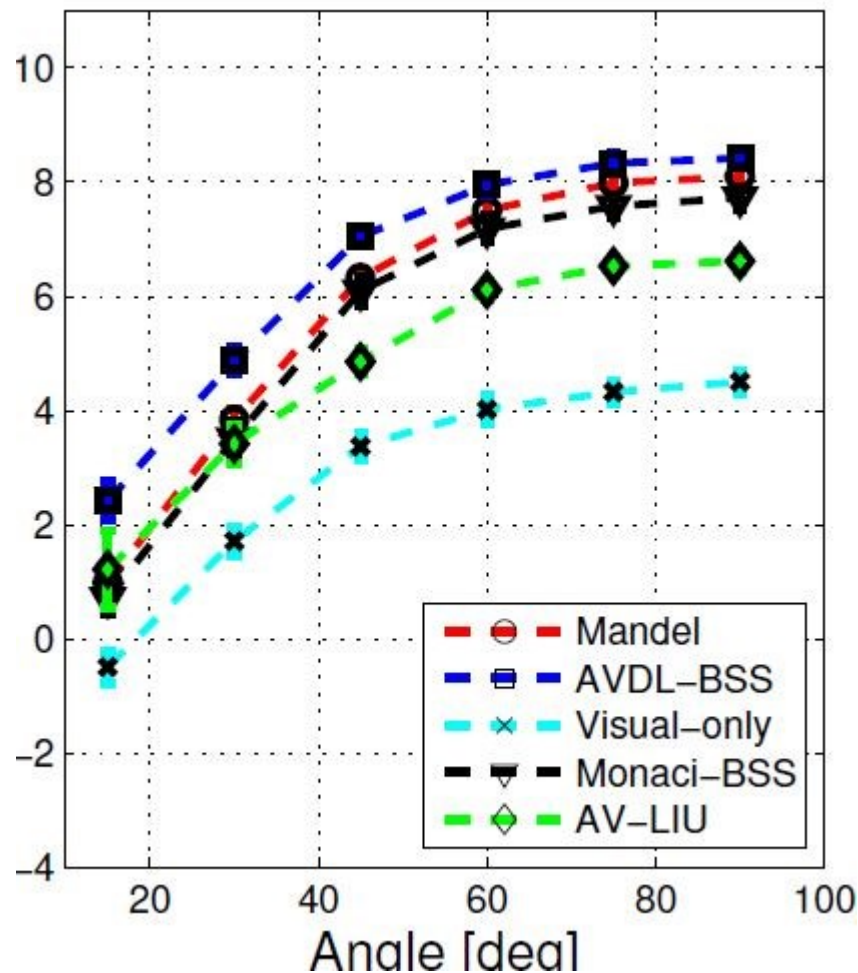


# AVDL-BSS evaluations----SDR

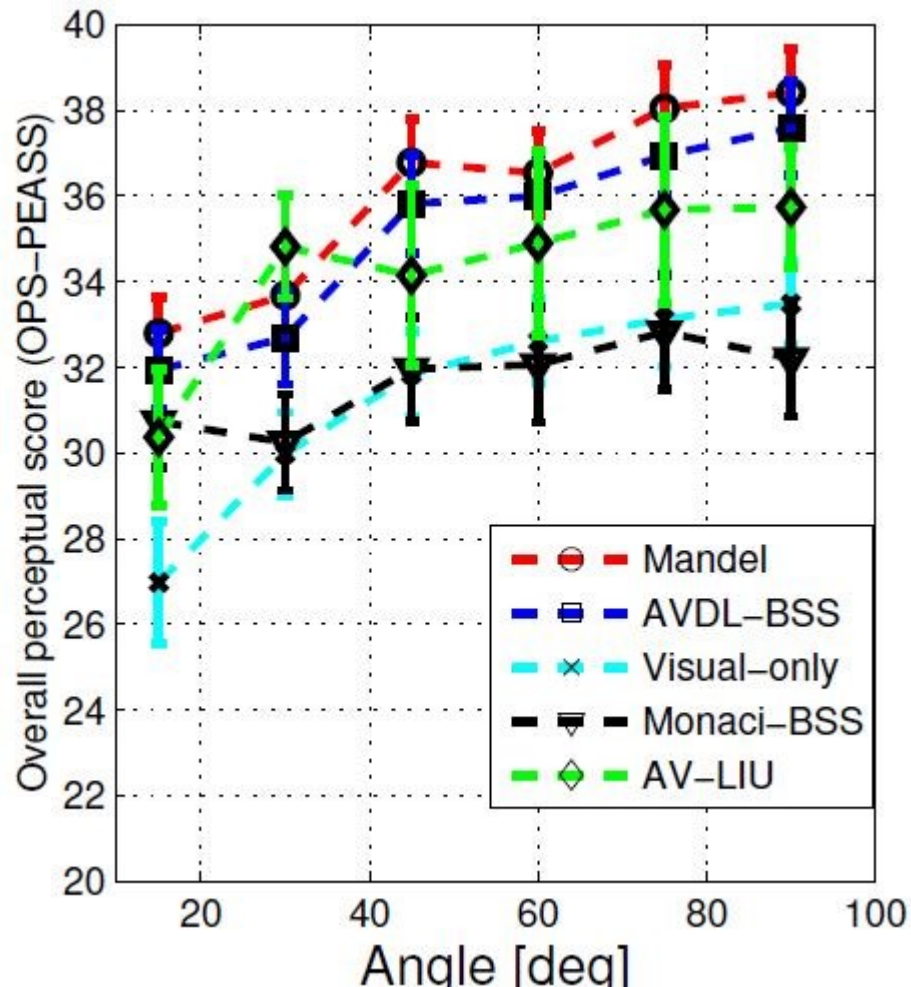
Noise-free



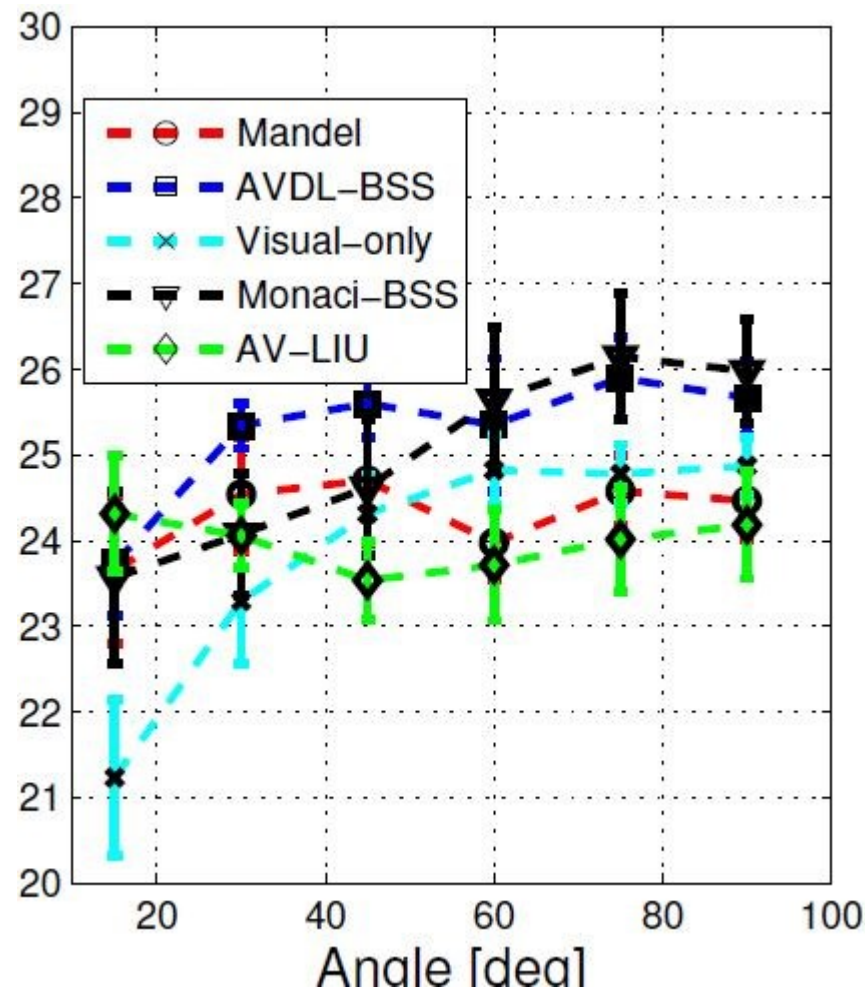
10 dB Gaussian noise































Noise-free



10 dB Gaussian noise



# Some examples

	Mixture	Ideal	Mandel	AV-LIU	AVDL-BSS	Rivet	AVMP-BSS
A							
B							
C							
D							

## Conclusions

- AVDL offers an alternative and effective method for modelling the AV coherence within the audio-visual data.
- The mask derived from AVDL can be used to improve the BSS performance for separating reverberant and noisy speech mixtures

## Future work

- To achieve dictionary adaptation and source separation simultaneously

Thank you

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