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- Node positioning in a wireless system requires the gathering of location information from radio signals traveling between the target node and one, or multiple, reference anchors.
- The JADE (Joint Angle and Delay Estimation) approach measures delays/angles between an intended node and anchors to estimate the location of the former, with the help of the position of the latter.
- High accuracy (in terms of MSE) is needed to reliably estimate location parameters for sub-meter accuracy.

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Model

$$\mathbf{x}(\ell) = \mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau})\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\ell) + \mathbf{n}(\ell) \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) = [h(\theta_1, \tau_1) \quad \dots \quad h(\theta_q, \tau_q)] \quad (2)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\ell) = [\gamma_1(\ell) \quad \dots \quad \gamma_q(\ell)] \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{x}(\ell) = [\mathbf{x}_1^\top(\ell) \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{x}_N^\top(\ell)]^\top \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_n(\ell) = [x_{n,1}(\ell) \quad \dots \quad x_{n,M}(\ell)]^\top \quad (5)$$

- $\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau})$ contains the multipath spatiotemporal signatures.
- $\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\ell)$ denotes multipath complex gains in ℓ^{th} frame.
- $x_{n,m}(\ell)$ denotes data on m^{th} sub-carrier received by n^{th} antenna in ℓ^{th} frame.

Data Collection

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau})\mathbf{G} + \mathbf{N} \quad (6)$$

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JADE by Partial Relaxation (PR)

Objective

Solve

$$(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}) = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau}} \text{tr} \{ \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau})}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \} \quad (7)$$

PR Approach

Reformulate the problem as

$$(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{PR}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}_{PR}) = \arg \min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau}, \mathbf{B}} \text{tr} \{ \mathcal{P}_{[\mathbf{h}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\tau}) \ \mathbf{B}]}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \} \quad (8)$$

Unstructured Signatures Optimization Problem

Projection decomposition:

$$\mathcal{P}_H^\perp = \mathbf{I} - \mathcal{P}_{[hB]} = \mathbf{I} - (\mathcal{P}_h + \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{P}_h^\perp B}) = \mathcal{P}_h^\perp - \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{P}_h^\perp B}$$

Focus on optimization of unstructured JADE signatures \mathbf{B} :

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{P}_h^\perp B} = \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \mathbf{B} (\mathbf{B}^H \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \mathbf{B})^{-1} \mathbf{B}^H \mathcal{P}_h^\perp = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^H, \quad \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{h} = 0$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}\{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{P}_h^\perp B} \hat{\mathbf{R}}\} &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^H \hat{\mathbf{R}}\} = \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U}^H \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathbf{U}\} \\ &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U}^H (\mathcal{P}_h + \mathcal{P}_h^\perp) \hat{\mathbf{R}} (\mathcal{P}_h + \mathcal{P}_h^\perp) \mathbf{U}\} = \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U}^H \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \mathbf{U}\} \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\max_{\mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}} \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U}^H \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \mathbf{U}\} = \sum_{k=1}^{q-1} \lambda_k \left(\mathcal{P}_h^\perp \hat{\mathbf{R}} \mathcal{P}_h^\perp \right)$$

DML Optimization Problem

Combining, we get

$$\min_{\mathbf{B}} \text{tr} \left\{ \mathcal{P}_{[\mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau) \ \mathbf{B}]}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \right\} = \text{tr} \left\{ \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{h}}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \right\} - \sum_{k=1}^{q-1} \lambda_k \left(\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{h}}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \right)$$

Solution is to search the peaks of the following 2D spectrum

$$f_{\text{DML}}(\theta, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=q}^{NM} \lambda_k \left(\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau)}^{\perp} \hat{\mathbf{R}} \right)} \quad (9)$$

Algo 2: Weighted Subspace Fitting (WSF)

WSF Optimization Problem

Weigh the covariance signal subspace by an appropriate matrix \mathbf{W} ,

$$\underset{\mathbf{U}, \theta, \tau}{\text{maximize}} \quad \text{tr}\{\mathbf{U}^H \mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau)}^\perp \hat{\mathbf{U}}_s \mathbf{W} \hat{\mathbf{U}}_s^H \mathbf{U}\} \quad (10a)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{U}^H \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}, \quad (10b)$$

Solution is to search the peaks of the following 2D spectrum

$$f_{\text{WSF}}(\theta, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=q}^{NM} \lambda_k \left(\mathcal{P}_{\mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau)}^\perp \hat{\mathbf{U}}_s \mathbf{W} \hat{\mathbf{U}}_s^H \right)} \quad (11)$$

Algo 3: Covariance Fitting (CF)

CF Optimization Problem

Fit the covariance of the data according to the model

$$\mathbf{R} = \sigma_k^2 \mathbf{h}(\theta_k, \tau_k) \mathbf{h}^H(\theta_k, \tau_k) + \mathbf{J} \mathbf{J}^H \quad (12)$$

$$\underset{\theta_k, \tau_k, \sigma_k^2, \mathbf{J}}{\text{minimize}} \quad \left\| \hat{\mathbf{R}} - \sigma_k^2 \mathbf{h}(\theta_k, \tau_k) \mathbf{h}^H(\theta_k, \tau_k) - \mathbf{J} \mathbf{J}^H \right\|^2 \quad (13)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \hat{\mathbf{R}} - \sigma_k^2 \mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau) \mathbf{h}^H(\theta, \tau) \succcurlyeq \mathbf{0}$$

Solution is to search the peaks of the following 2D spectrum

$$f_{\text{CF}}(\theta, \tau) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k=q}^{NM} \lambda_k^2 \left(\hat{\mathbf{R}} - \frac{\mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau) \mathbf{h}^H(\theta, \tau)}{\mathbf{h}^H(\theta, \tau) \hat{\mathbf{R}}^{-1} \mathbf{h}(\theta, \tau)} \right)} \quad (14)$$

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Simulation Parameters

- $q = 2$ sources (multipath components)
- $\theta_1 = 6^\circ$ and $\theta_2 = 66^\circ$
- $\tau_1 = 5$ nsec and $\tau_2 = 10$
- number of subcarriers $M = 32$, number of antennas $N = 2$
- Source covariance

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.2e^{-j\frac{\pi}{6}} \\ 0.2e^{j\frac{\pi}{6}} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Computer Simulations

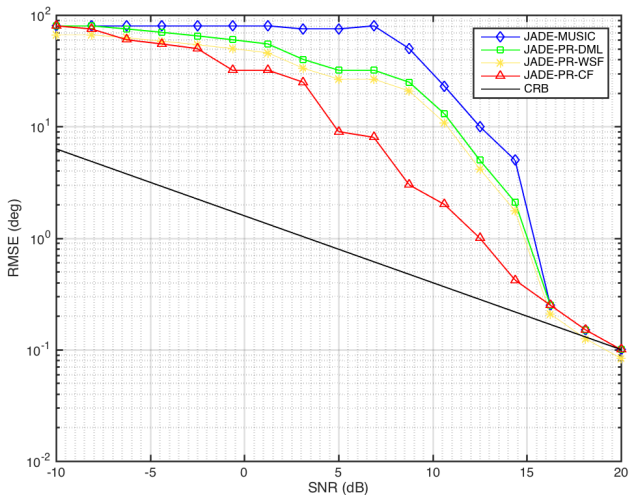


Figure: The RMSE of AoA estimates $\hat{\theta}_k$ per method vs SNR and the CRB.

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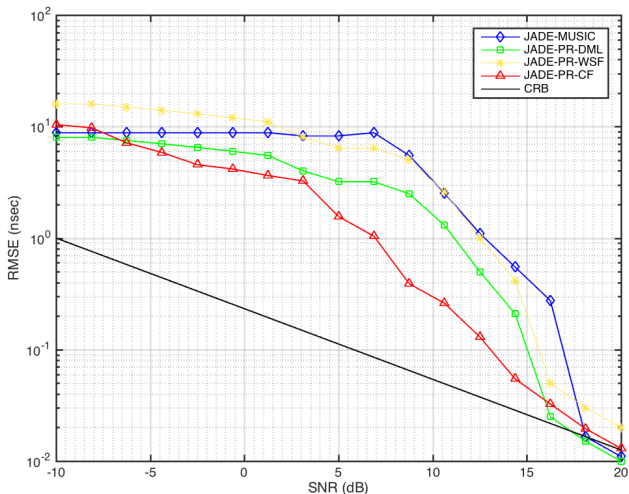


Figure: The RMSE of ToA estimates $\hat{\tau}_k$ per method vs SNR and the CRB.

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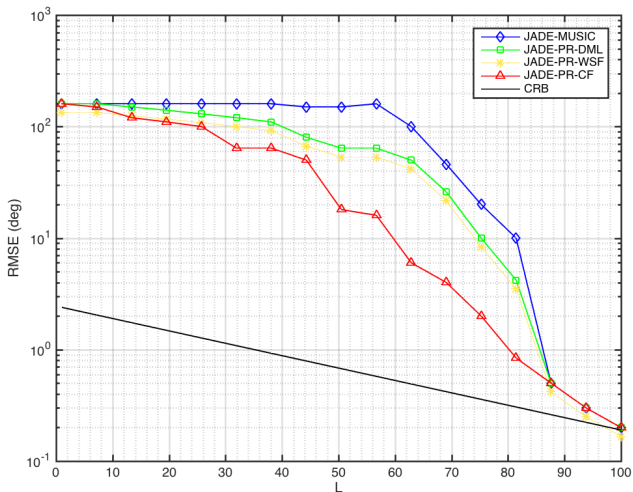


Figure: The RMSE of AoA estimates $\hat{\theta}_k$ per method vs Number of Snapshots and the CRB.

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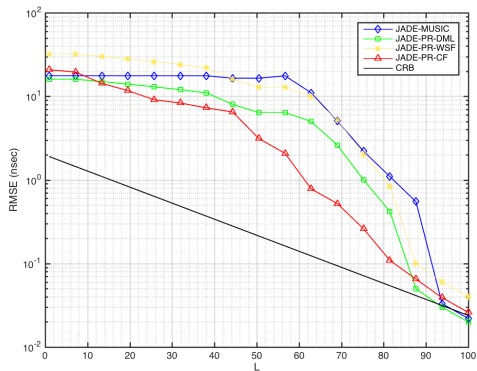


Figure: The RMSE of ToA estimates $\hat{\tau}_k$ per method vs Number of Snapshots and the CRB.

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- We have introduced three JADE estimators to the partially relaxed model: DML, WSF, CF.
- Simulation results demonstrate the Mean-Squared-Error convergence towards the Cramér-Rao Bound of each of these methods, either in SNR or in number of snapshots.

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