Spectrum Occupancy Prediction Using Machine Learning

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Motivation



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Inadequate spectrum management policies

Spectrum scarcity, wastage

Opportunistic usage through Dynamic Spectrum Access (DSA) and Cognitive Radios

Performs cognitive functions for opportunistic access



Prediction or Predictive Analysis



- <u>Learn</u>, from what we know from the past
 - Training over a dimension of *D* of some process X^D(n - 1, n - 2,..), where n denotes the current time step
 - Set/tune yourself to generate a likely value for the same process for the future $\hat{X}^{D}(n, n + 1..)$
- Prediction, and forecasting the future
 - Generate $\hat{X}^D(n, n+1..)$



Prediction: Some key aspects

- **<u>Performance</u>**, of prediction (the predictor) is mostly measured in terms of
 - Prediction error, can be defined as the expected value of an error function $\phi(.)$ for the difference between the predicted value and the actual value,

$$\mathcal{E}_D = \mathbf{E}\big[\phi(X^D - \hat{X}^D)\big]$$

- <u>Capability</u>, of a predictor is defined with respect to;
 - The prediction error \mathcal{E}_D
 - Complexity (computational) and the time to learn/train and predict
- <u>Data correlation</u>, is crucial to successfully predict
 - Higher the correlation better the prediction outcome, that is lower \mathcal{E}_D
 - Independent events (i.e. no correlation) cannot be predicted



Spectrum Prediction over Space-Time



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Dynamic Spectrum Sharing

Without prediction

$$\Omega_i \in \Omega = \{t, s, f\}$$





Dynamic Spectrum Sharing



Spectrum Prediction Techniques



- Occupancy Model;
 - 2-State Markov
 - 4-State HMM
- Prediction Methods (presented here)
 - Bayesian prediction
 - Cooperative prediction
 - LSTM prediction



Bayesian Spectrum Prediction [1]

 Use Bayesian principle to predict the next state given the observations *O*

$$\mathbf{P}(\check{s}_{n+1}|\mathbf{O}^n) = \sum_{s_n=i} \mathbf{P}(s_{n+1}|s_n) \mathbf{P}(\check{s}_n|\mathbf{O}^n) \quad : i \in \{1,2\}$$







Fig. Prediction Error Vs probability to remain in specific state, Equal Stationary Distribution case

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Cooperative Spectrum Prediction [2,3]

 Use multiple radios to predict the next state of the spectrum by fusing individual predictions

$$U_n^T = \bigwedge \{d_n^1, d_n^2, \dots d_n^N\}$$

Fusion function can be hard or soft





Spectrum Prediction with LSTM [4,5]



- Fast training with LSTM
 - Using statistically modelled training parameters
 - Uses model parameters to set the training parameters
- Prediction Error
 - Theoretically characterising the error performance



LSTM Learning: Statistical modelling [4]



Histograms of input weight matrix of LSTM layer

- Proposed initialization strategy
 - Modes of the distribution are chosen as alternate initial values.



LSTM: Fast Learning [4]

The LSTM based method uses look-up table to match the tuning parameters to the input process (Markov input process in this example)





LSTM Prediction Performance [5]

• The pdfs of predicted scores are modelled as a mixture of truncated Gaussian distributions ($\lambda_T(.)$),

$$f_Y(y_t(i)|S_t) = \sum_{m=1}^M \theta_{im} \lambda_T(y_t(i); v_{im}, \delta_{im}, a, b)$$

S_t – actual occupancy at time step t
y_t(i) – predicted score for class i at time step t
θ – component proportions
v – means of the parent Gaussian components
δ – standard deviation of the parent Gaussian components
[a, b] – truncation interval [0,1]



LSTM Prediction Performance [5]

- We then derive the error probability of LSTM based prediction using the distributions of the scores
- The simulations and theory match very well





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