BIO-INSPIRED AND COGNITIVE NEURAL NETWORKS for data mining, tracking, fusion, prediction, evolution of languages and cultures

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- 1. Cognition, Complexity, and Logic
- 2. The Knowledge Instinct -Neural Modeling Fields and Dynamic Logic
- **3. Higher Cognitive Functions**
- **4. Integration of cognition and language**
- **5. Evolution of cultures (future directions)**



DETAILED OUTLINE



1. Cognition – integration of real-time signals and a priori knowledge

- 1.1. cognition
- 1.2. combinatorial complexity (CC) a fundamental problem?
- 1.5. CC since 1950s
- 1.6. CC vs. logic
- 1.6.1. formal, multivalued and fuzzy logics
- 1.6.2. dynamic logic
- 1.6.3. Aristotle vs. Godel + Alexander the Great
- 1.7. mathematics vs. mind
- 1.8. structure of the mind: concepts, instincts, emotions, behavior
- 1.9. the knowledge instinct
- 1.9.1. need for learning
- 1.9.2. "knowledge emotion" = aesthetic emotion

2. Modeling Field Theory (NMF) of cognition

- 2.1. the knowledge instinct = max similarity
- 2.2. Similarity as likelihood, as information
- 2.3. Dynamic Logic (DL)
- 2.4. applications, examples
- 2.4.2 tracking
- 2.4.3 recognition
- 2.4.4 fusion
- 2.4.5 prediction, financial prediction

- **3.** Higher cognitive functions
- 3.1. hierarchy of the mind
- 3.2. beautiful and sublime

4. Integration of cognition and language

- 4.1. language vs. cognition
- 4.2. integrated models
- 4.3. Symbols: integrated hierarchies

5. Evolution of Culture

- 6.1. Emotionality of languages and cultures
- 6.2. Evolution of cultures
- 6.5. English vs. Arabic
- 6.5. Terrorist's consciousness
- 6.6. Models of cultural evolution
- 6.6.1. Dynamic cultures
- 6.6.2 Traditional cultures
- 6.6.3 Interacting cultures
- 6.7 Role of music in evolution of the mind and culture
- 6.8 Science vs. religion

6. Future direction, predictions, testing, publications



COGNITION



Understanding the world around

- Perception
- Simple objects
- Complex situations

Integration of real-time signals and existing (a priori) knowledge

- From signals to concepts
- From less knowledge to more knowledge





- Cognition and language involve evaluating large numbers of combinations
 - Pixels -> objects -> scenes
- Combinatorial Complexity (CC)
 - A general problem (since the 1950s)
 - Detection, recognition, tracking, fusion, situational awareness, language...
 - Pattern recognition, neural networks, rule systems...

Combinations of 100 elements are 100¹⁰⁰

- This number ~ the size of the Universe
 - > all the events in the Universe during its entire life





- CC was encountered for over 50 years
- Statistical pattern recognition and neural networks: CC of learning requirements
- Rule systems and AI, in the presence of variability : CC of rules
 - Minsky 1960s: Artificial Intelligence
 - Chomsky 1957: language mechanisms are rule systems
- Model-based systems, with adaptive models: CC of computations
 - Chomsky 1981: language mechanisms are model-based (rules and parameters)
- Current ontologies, "semantic web" are rule-systems
 - Evolvable ontologies : present challenge





CC is related to formal logic

- -Law of excluded middle (or excluded third)
- Gödel proved that logic is "illogical," "inconsistent" (1930s)
- -CC is Gödel's "incompleteness" in a finite system

Fuzzy logic eliminated the "law of excluded third"

- -Fuzzy logic systems are either too fuzzy or too crisp
- The mind fits fuzziness for every statement at every step => CC

Logic pervades all algorithms and neural networks

 - rule systems, fuzzy systems (degree of fuzziness), pattern recognition, neural networks (training uses logical statements)





Dynamic Logic unifies formal and fuzzy logic

- initial "vague or fuzzy concepts" dynamically evolve into "formal-logic or crisp concepts"
- Dynamic logic
 - based on a similarity between models and signals
- Overcomes CC of model-based recognition
 - fast algorithms



ARISTOTLE VS. GÖDEL logic, forms, and language



Aristotle

- Logic: a supreme way of argument
- Forms: representations in the mind
 - Form-as-potentiality evolves into form-as-actuality
 - Logic is valid for actualities, not for potentialities (Dynamic Logic)
- Language and thinking are closely linked

From Boole to Russell: formalization of logic

- Logicians eliminated from logic uncertainty of language
- Hilbert: formalize rules of mathematical proofs forever

Gödel (the 1930s)

Logic is not consistent

Aristotle and Alexander the Great







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STRUCTURE OF THE MIND



- Concepts
 - Models of objects, their relations, and situations
 - Evolved to satisfy instincts
- Instincts
 - Internal sensors (e.g. sugar level in blood)
- Emotions
 - Neural signals connecting instincts and concepts
 - e.g. a hungry person sees food all around
- Behavior
 - Models of goals (desires) and muscle-movement...

Hierarchy

 Concept-models and behavior-models are organized in a "loose" hierarchy





Model-concepts always have to be adapted

- lighting, surrounding, new objects and situations
- even when there is no concrete "bodily" needs

Instinct for knowledge and understanding

- Increase similarity between models and the world

Emotions related to the knowledge instinct

- Satisfaction or dissatisfaction
 - change in similarity between models and world
- Related not to bodily instincts
 - harmony or disharmony (knowledge-world): aesthetic emotion





A mathematical construct modeling the mind

- Neural synaptic fields represent model-concepts
- A loose hierarchy of more and more general concepts
- At every level:
 - > bottom-up signals, top-down signals (models)
 - ≻KI, concepts-models, emotions, behavior
- Concepts become input signals to the next level



Bottom-up signals

- Pixels or samples (from sensor or retina) $\mathbf{x}(n), n = 1,...,N$
- Top-down signals: concept-models
 M_m(S_m,n), parameters S_m, m = 1, ...;
 Models predict expected signals from objects
- Goal: learn models and understand signals (knowledge instinct)





- The knowledge instinct = maximization of similarity between signals and models
- Similarity between signals and models, L
 - $L = \ell(\{\mathbf{x}\}) = \prod_{n} \ell(\mathbf{x}(n))$
 - $\ell(\mathbf{x}(n)) = \sum_{m} r(m) \ell(\mathbf{x}(n) | \mathbf{M}_{m}(\mathbf{S}_{m}, n))$
 - $l(\mathbf{x}(n) | \mathbf{M}_m(\mathbf{S}_m, n))$ is a conditional similarity for x(n) given m
 - {n} are not independent, M(n) may depend on n'
- CC: L contains M^N items: all associations of pixels and models (LOGIC)





Start with a set of signals and unknown object-models

- any parameter values \boldsymbol{S}_{m}
- associate object-model with its contents (signal composition)
- (1) $f(m|n) = r(m) \ell(n|m) / \sum_{m'} r(m') \ell(n|m')$

Improve parameter estimation

- (2) $\mathbf{S}_{m} = \mathbf{S}_{m} + \alpha \sum_{n} f(m|n) \left[\partial \ln \ell(n|m) / \partial \mathbf{M}_{m}\right]^{*} \left[\partial \mathbf{M}_{m} / \partial \mathbf{S}_{m}\right]$
 - (α determines speed of convergence)
- learn signal-contents of objects

Continue iterations (1)-(2). Theorem: MF is a converging system

- similarity increases on each iteration
- aesthetic emotion is positive during learning



OUTLINE



- Cognition, complexity, and logic
 - Logic does not work, but the mind does
- The Mind and Knowledge Instinct
 - Neural Modeling Fields and Dynamic Logic
 - Application examples
- Higher Cognitive Functions
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APPLICATIONS



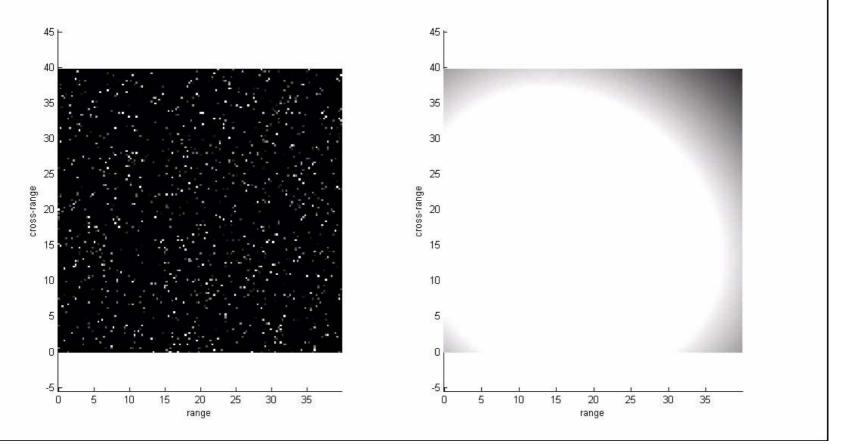
- Many applications have been developed
 - Government
 - Medical
 - Commercial (about 25 companies use this technology)
- Sensor signals processing
- Financial market predictions
 - Market crash on 9/11 predicted a week ahead
- Internet search engines
 - Based on text understanding
- Evolving ontologies for Semantic Web



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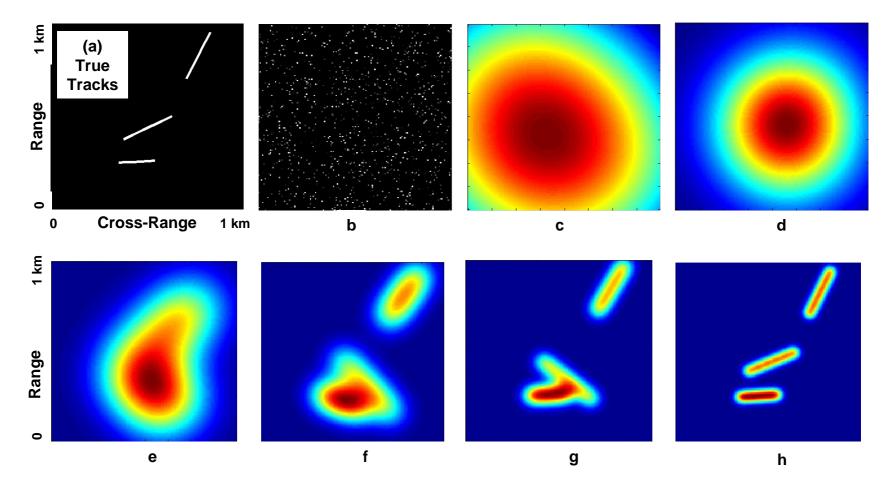


3 targets, 6 scans, signal-to-clutter, S/C ~ -3.0dB



TRACKING AND DETECTION BELOW CLUTTER





3 targets, 6 scans, 3000 data points, signal-to-clutter, S/C \sim -3.0dB Complexity: MHT~M^N ~10¹⁷⁰⁰; DL ~ 10⁶, Improvement in S/C about 100 times



IMAGE PATTERNS BELOW CLUTTER





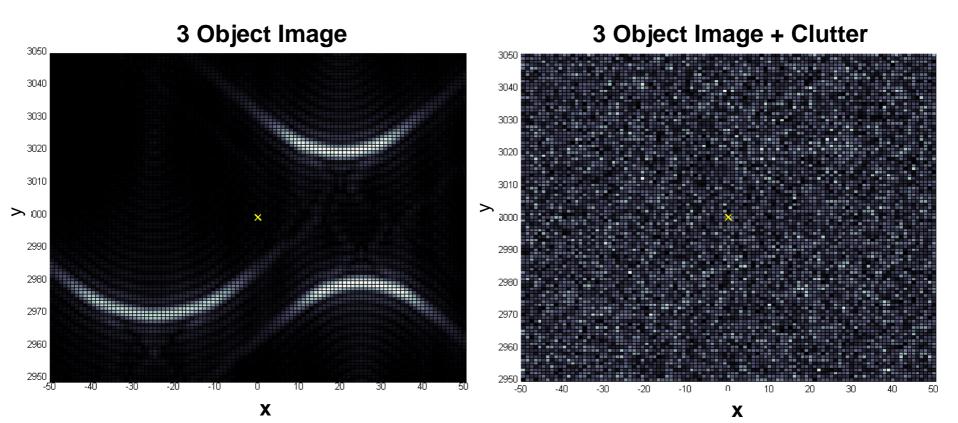




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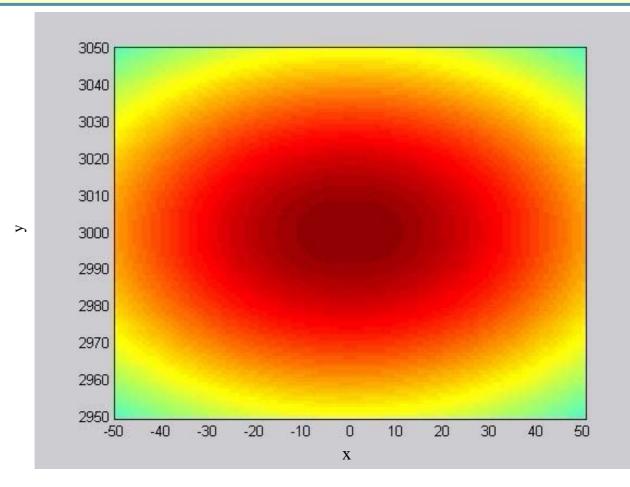
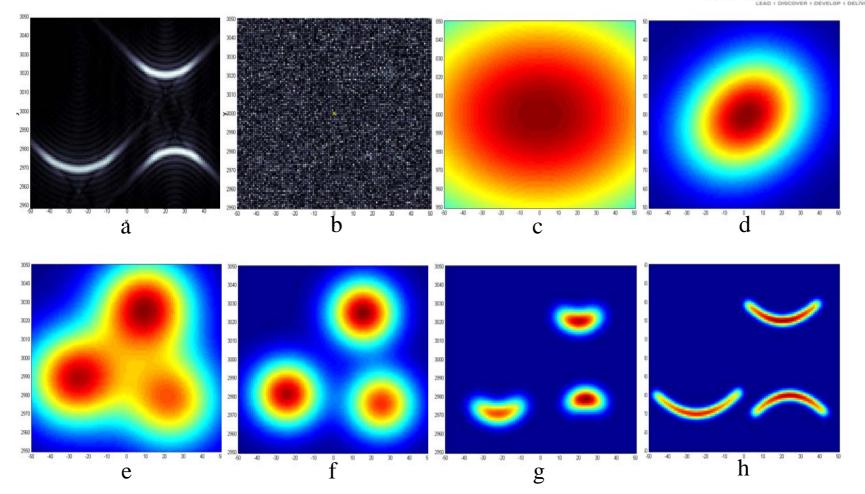




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3 targets, 10,000 data points, signal-to-clutter, S/C ~ 0.5 Complexity: MHT~M^N ~10⁵⁰⁰⁰; DL ~ 10⁶, Improvement in S/C about 100 times



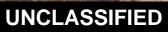


The difficult part of sensor fusion is association of data among sensors

- Which sample in one sensor corresponds to which sample in another sensor?
 - The most difficult: concurrent detection, tacking, and fusion

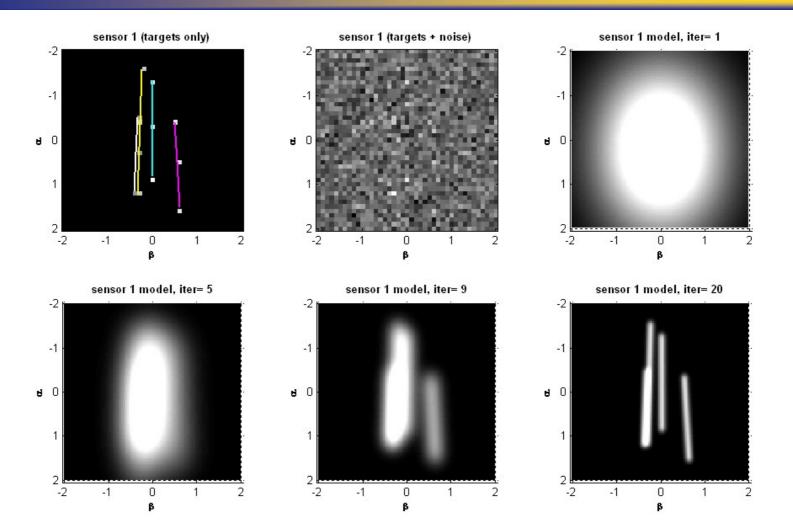


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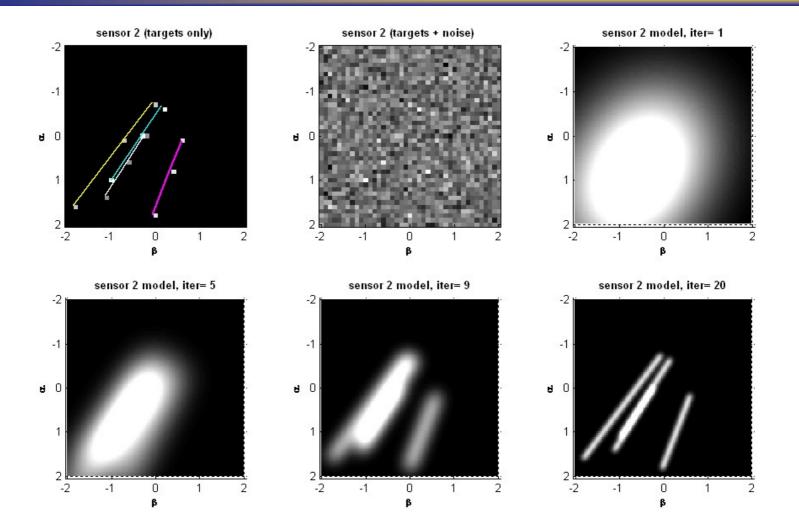
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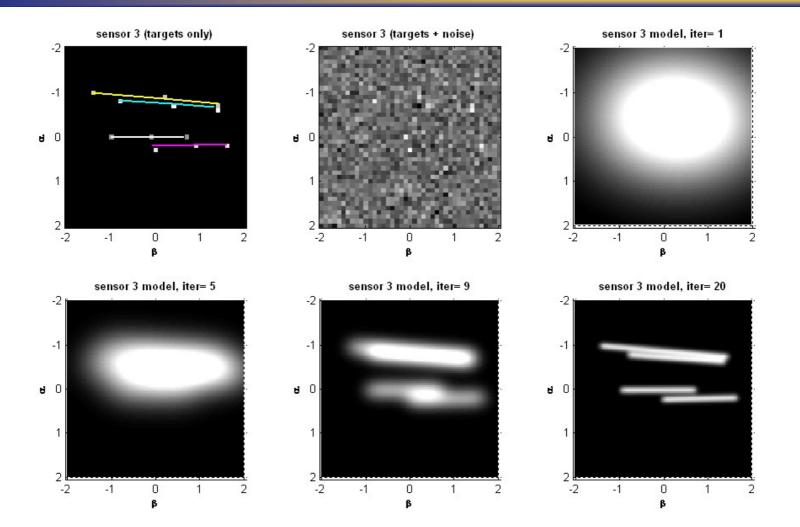
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Sensor 3 (of 3): Models Evolve to find targets using all 3 sensors



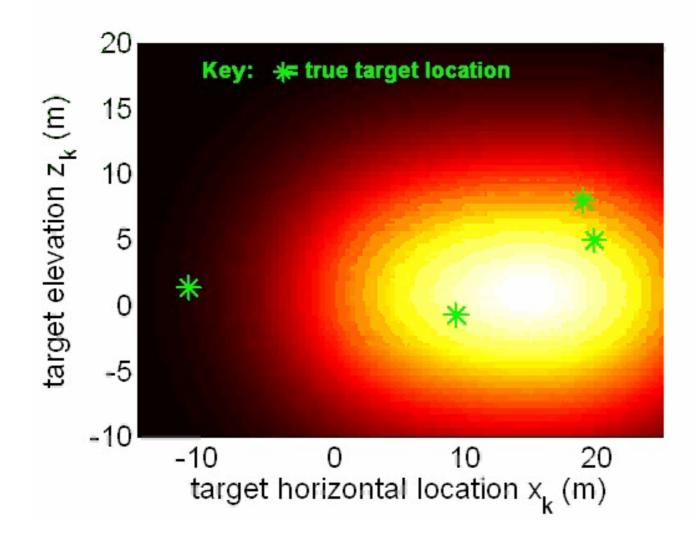




NAVIGATION, FUSION, TRACKING, AND DETECTION

(this is the basis for the previous 3 figures, all fused in x,y,z, coordinates; double-click on the blob to play movie)

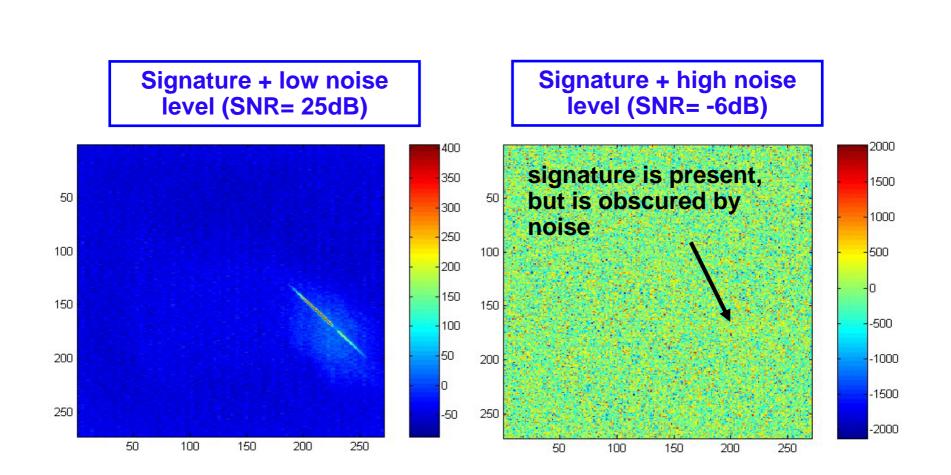
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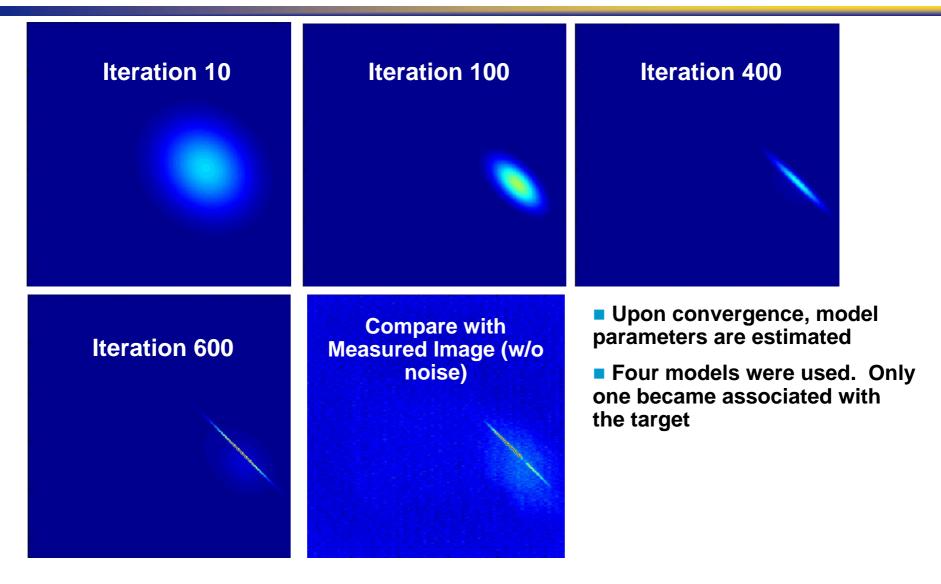






DETECTION IN IMAGE SEQUENCE TEN ROTATION FRAMES WERE USED

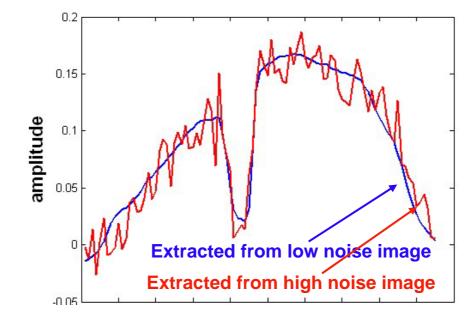






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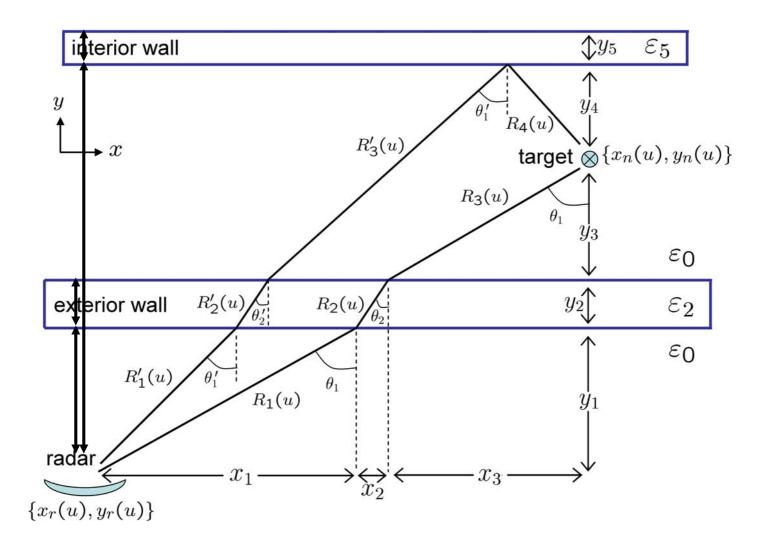






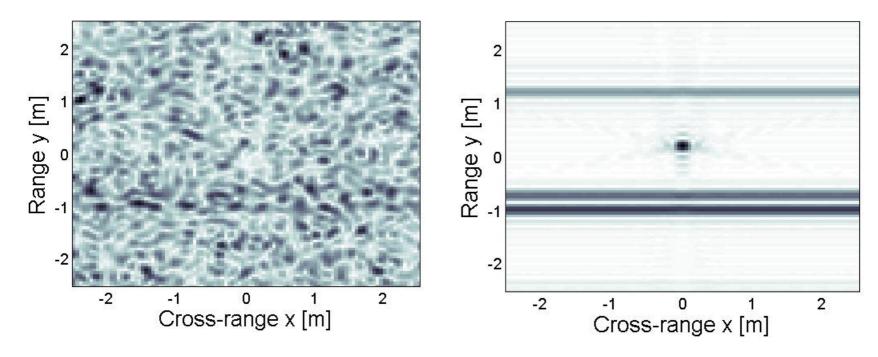
RADAR IMAGING THROUGH WALLS







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Standard SAR imaging does not work Because of refraction, multi-paths and clutter Estimated model, work in progress Remains:

-increase convergence area

-increase complexity of scenario

-adaptive control of sensors



PREDICTION



- Simple: linear regression
 - y(x) = Ax+b
 - Multi-dimensional regression: y,x,b vectors, A matrix
- Solution to linear regression (well known)
 - Estimate means <y>, <x>, and x-y covariance matrix C

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$$A = C_{yx} C_{xx}^{-1}; b = \langle y \rangle - A \langle x \rangle$$

Difficulties

- No sufficient data to estimate C
- Non-linear y(x), unknown shape
- y(x) changes regime (from up to down)
 - this is the most important event (financial prediction)





General non-linear regression (GNLR)

- $-\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{m} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{n}) \mathbf{y}_{m}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{m} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{m}|\mathbf{n}) (\mathbf{A}_{m}\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{b}_{m})$
- A_m and b_m are similar to A,b in linear regression with one change: all $\sum_{n} (...)$ are changed into $\sum_{n} f(m|n)(...)$

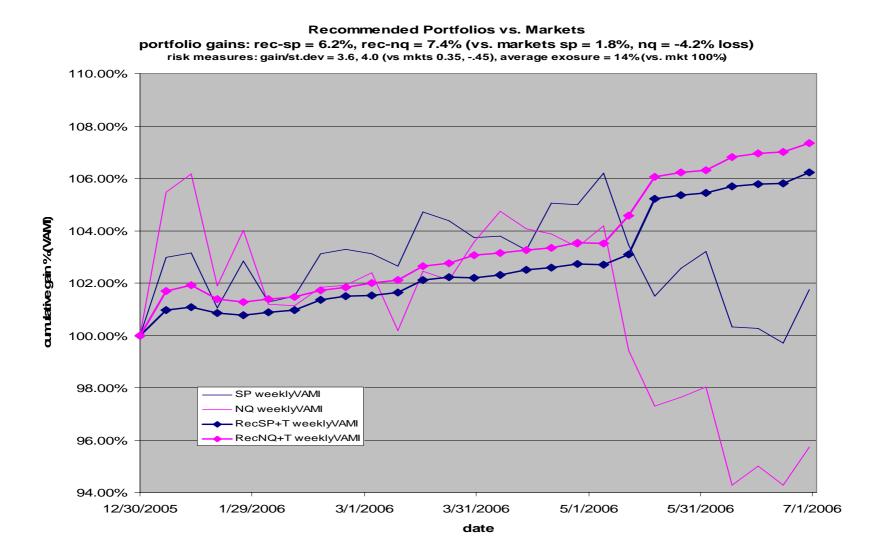
Interpretation

 m are "regimes" or "processes", f(m|x) determines influence of regime m at point x

Applications

Detection of y(x) regime change (e.g. financial prediction or control)

FINANCIAL MARKET PREDICITION







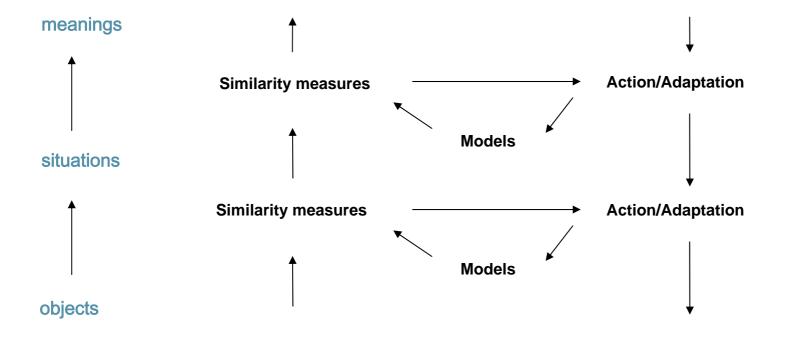


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- Abstract models are at higher levels of hierarchy
- At every level
 - Bottom-up signals are lower-level-concepts
 - Top-down signals are concept-models
 - Behavior-actions (including adaptation)





CONSCIOUSNESS AND UNCONSCIOUS



- Jung: conscious concepts and unconscious archetypes
- Grossberg: models in a resonant state reach consciousness
- NMF: fuzzy mechanisms (DL) are unconscious, crisp concept-models, adapted and matched to data are conscious
 - Higher, abstract concepts are less conscious





- Not related to bodily satisfaction
- Satisfy instincts for knowledge
 - Improve world understanding
- Not just what artists do
- Guide every perception and cognition process
- Perceived as feeling of harmony-disharmony
 - satisfaction-dissatisfaction
- Maximize similarity between models and world
 - between our understanding of how things ought to be and how they actually are in the surrounding world; Kant: aesthetic emotions







- Harmony is an elementary aesthetic emotion
 - higher aesthetic emotions are involved in the development of more complex "higher" models
- The highest forms of aesthetic emotion, beautiful
 - related to the most general and most important models
 - models of the meaning of our existence, of our purposiveness
 - beautiful object stimulates improvement of the highest models of meaning
- Beautiful "reminds" us of our purposiveness
 - Kant called beauty "aimless purposiveness": not related to bodily purposes
 - he was dissatisfied by not being able to give a positive definition: knowledge instinct
 - absence of positive definition remained a major source of confusion in philosophical aesthetics till this very day
- Beauty is separate from sex, but sex makes use of all our abilities, including beauty







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LANGUAGE vs. COGNITION



- "Nativists", since the 1950s
 - Language is a separate mind mechanism (Chomsky)
 - Pinker: language instinct
- "Cognitivists", since the 1970s
 - Language depends on cognition
 - Talmy, Elman, Tomasello...
- "Evolutionists", since the 1980s
 - Hurford, Kirby, Cangelosi...
 - Language transmission between generations
- NMF / DL was extended to language ~ 2000
- Co-evolution of language and cognition



WHAT WAS FIRST COGNITION OR LANGUAGE?



- How language and thoughts come together?
- Logical, conscious
 - "final results" ~ logical concepts
- Language seems completely conscious
 - A child at 5 knows about "good" and "bad" guys
 - Are these conscious concepts?
- Unconscious
 - fuzzy mechanisms of language and cognition
- Logic:
 - Same mechanisms for L. & C.
 - Did not work (←CC)
- Sub-conceptual, sub-conscious integration







Where language and cognition come together?

- A fuzzy concept m has linguistic and cognitive-sensory models
 - $\mathbf{M}_{m} = \{ \mathbf{M}_{m}^{\text{cognitive}}, \mathbf{M}_{m}^{\text{language}} \};$
- Language and cognition are fused at fuzzy pre-conceptual level
 - before concepts are learned

Understanding language and sensory data

- Initial models are fuzzy blobs
- Language models have empty "slots" for cognitive model (objects and situations) and v.v.
- Different speed of learning L. and C.
- Language participates in cognition and v.v.

L & C help learning and understanding each other

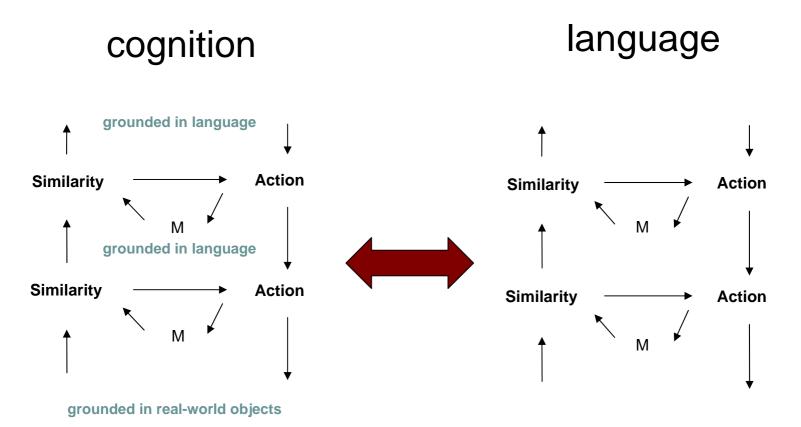
- Help associating signals, words, models, and behavior





Integrated hierarchies of Cognition and Language

- High level cognition is only possible due to language
- Language is only possible due to cognition









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EMOTIONS IN LANGUAGE

- Animal vocal tract
 - controlled by old (limbic) emotional system
 - involuntary
- Human vocal tract
 - controlled by two emotional centers: limbic and cortex
 - Involuntary and voluntary

• Human voice determines emotional content of cultures

- Emotionality of language is in its sound: melody of speech



CULTURE AND LANGUAGE

- Animal consciousness
 - Undifferentiated, few vague concepts
 - No mental "space" between thought, emotion, and action
- Evolution of human consciousness and culture
 - More differentiated concepts
 - More mental "space" between thoughts, emotions, and actions
 - Created by evolution of language
- Language, concepts, emotions
 - Language creates concepts
 - Still, colored by emotions



EVOLUTION OF CULTURES



- The knowledge instinct
 - Two mechanisms: differentiation and synthesis
- Differentiation
 - At every level of the hierarchy: more detailed concepts
 - Separate concepts from emotions
- Synthesis
 - Knowledge has to make meaning, otherwise it is useless
 - Diverse knowledge is unified at the higher level in the hierarchy
 - Connect concepts and emotions
 - Connect language and cognition
 - Connect high and low: concepts acquire meaning at the next level



LANGUAGE EMOTIONS AND CUTURES



- Conceptual content of culture: words, phrases

 Easily borrowed among cultures
- Emotional content of culture
 - -In voice sound (melody of speech)
 - -Determined by grammar
 - -Cannot be borrowed among cultures
- English language (Diff. > Synthesis)
 - –Weak connection between conceptual and emotional (since 15 c)
 –Pragmatic, high culture, but may lead to identity crisis
- Arabic language (Synthesis > Diff.)
 - -Strong connection between conceptual and emotional
 - -Cultural immobility, but strong feel of identity (synthesis)





- Ancient consciousness was "fused"
 - Concepts, emotions, and actions were one
 - Undifferentiated, fuzzy psychic structures
 - Psychic conflicts were unconscious and projected outside
 - Gods, other tribes, other people
- Complexity of today's world is "too much" for many
 - Evolution of culture and differentiation
 - Internalization of conflicts: too difficult
 - Reaction: relapse into fused consciousness
 - Undifferentiated, fuzzy, but simple and synthetic
- The recent terrorist's consciousness is "fused"
 - European terrorists in the 19th century
 - Fascists and communists in the 20th century
 - Current Moslem terrorists







Differentiation, D, synthesis, S, hierarchy, H

dD/dt = a D G(S); G(S) = (S - S0) exp(-(S-S0) / S1)

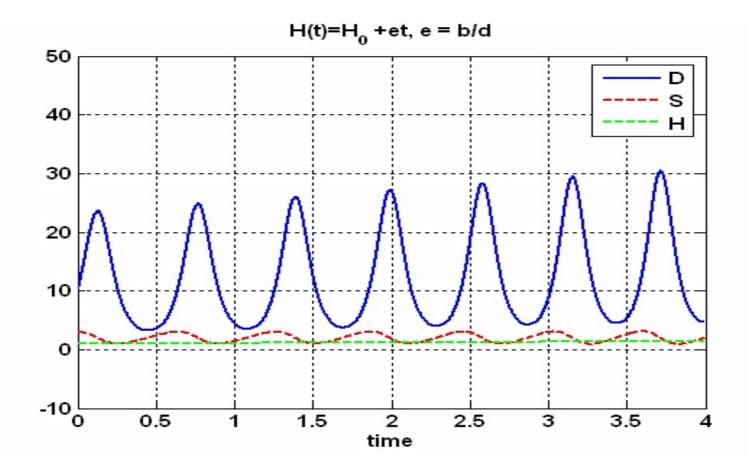
dS/dt = -bD + dH

 $H = H0 + e^{*}t$



DYNAMIC CULTURE



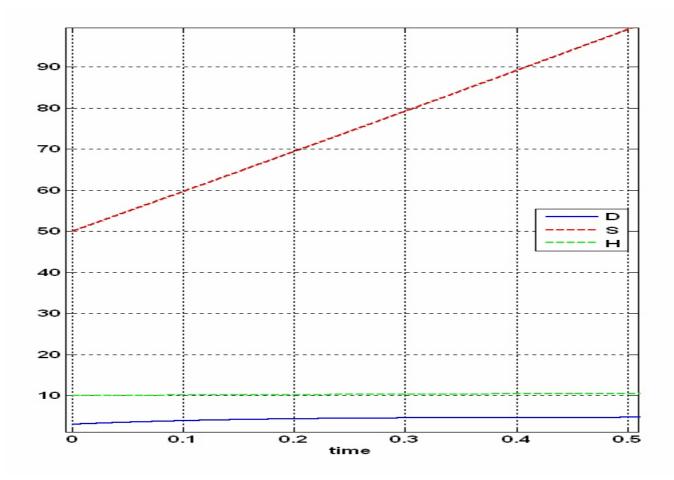


Average synthesis, high differentiation; oscillating solution Knowledge accumulates; no stability



TRADITIONAL CULTURE





High synthesis, low differentiation; stable solution Stagnation, stability increases





Two cultures

- dynamic and traditional
- slow exchange by D and S

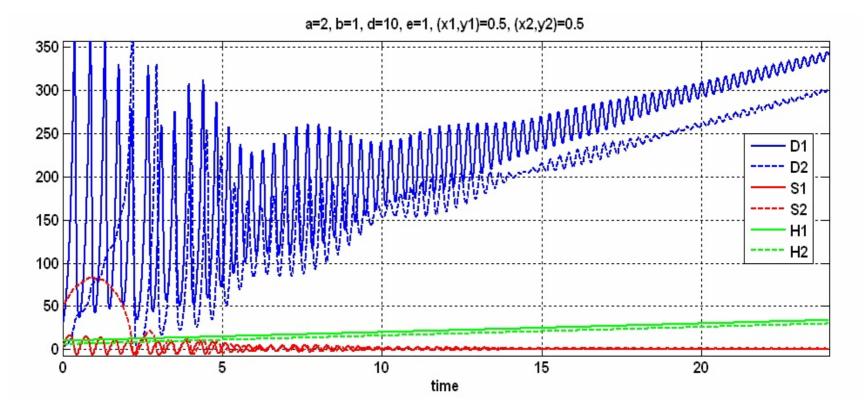
$$dD_{k}/dt = a_{k} D_{k} G(S_{k}) + x_{k}D_{\underline{k}}$$

$$dS_{k}/dt = -b_{k}D_{k} + d_{k}H_{k} + y_{k}S_{\underline{k}}$$

$$H_{k} = H0_{k} + e_{k}^{*}t$$



INTERACTING CULTURES



- 1) Early: Dynamic culture affects traditional culture, no reciprocity
- 2) Later: 2 dynamic cultures stabilize each other

Knowledge accumulation + stability



ROLE OF MUSIC IN EVOLUTION OF THE MIND



- Melody of human voice contains vital information
 - About people's world views and mutual compatibility
 - Exploits mechanical properties of human inner ear
 - Consonances and dissonances
- Tonal system evolved (14th to 19th c.) for
 - Differentiation of emotions
 - Synthesis of conceptual and emotional
 - Bach integrates personal concerns with "the highest"
- Pop-song is a mechanism of synthesis
 - Integrates conceptual (lyric) and emotional (melody)
 - Also, differentiates emotions
 - Bach concerns are too complex for many everyday needs
 - Human consciousness requires synthesis immediately
- Rap is a simplified, but powerful mechanism of synthesis
 - Exactly like ancient Greek dithyrambs of Dionysian cult





- Religion \longleftrightarrow teleology (purpose)

• Wrong!

- In basic physics causality and teleology are equivalent
- The principle of minimal energy is teleological
- More general, min. Lagrangian
- The knowledge instinct
 - Teleological principle in evolution of the mind and culture
 - Dynamic logic is a causal law equivalent to the KI
 - Causality and teleology are equivalent



FUTURE DIRECTIONS

research, predictions and testing of NMF/DL

- Mathematical development
 - DL in Hierarchy, mechanisms of Synthesis
 - Add emotions to computer models of language evolution
- Psycholinguistic tests
 - Measure emotionality of various languages in labs
- Mathematical-simulation tests
 - Joint evolution of language and cognition
- Historical linguistics
 - Concurrent evolution of languages, consciousness, and cultures
- Music
 - Direct effect on emotions, mechanism of synthesis
 - Concurrent evolution of music, consciousness, and cultures
- Improve human condition around the globe
 - Diagnose cultural states (up, down, stagnation), measure D, S, H
 - Develop predictive cultural models, integrate spiritual and material causes
 - Identify language and music effects that can advance consciousness and reduce tensions
- Semantic Web and Cyberspace
 - Adaptive ontologies
 - Learn from human users
 - Acquire cultural knowledge
 - Enable culturally-sensitive communication
 - Help us understand ourselves
 - Help us understand each other



PUBLICATIONS



280 publications - recent: CI Magazine

OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS (2001; 3rd printing)

2007:

The Knowledge Instinct Basic Books

Neurodynamics of High Cognitive Functions with Prof. Kozma, Springer

Sapient Systems with Prof. Mayorga, Springer

Neural Networks and Intellect

Using Model-Based Concepts



Leonid I. Perlovsky







Predictions and testing of the theory

Humboldt: Inner linguistic form (~1830s)



PREDICTIONS AND TESTING of NMF/DL theory of the mind



Experimental testing

- Neural, psychological, and psycholinguistic labs
- Simulation of multi-agent evolving systems

Instinctual learning mechanisms

Ongoing and future research:

- similarity measure as a foundation of knowledge and language instincts
- mechanisms of model parameterization and parameter adaptation
- dynamics of fuzziness during perception/cognition/learning
- mechanisms of language and cognition integration
- emotionality of languages and cultures
- mechanisms of differentiation and synthesis
- mechanisms of cultural evolution
- role of music in synthesis and in cultural evolution





- In the 1830s Humboldt discussed two types of linguistic forms
 - words' outer linguistic form (dictionary) a formal designation
 - and inner linguistic form (???) creative, full of potential
- This remained a mystery for rule-based AI, structural linguistics, Chomskyan linguistics
 - rule-based approaches using the mathematics of logic make no difference between formal and creative
- In NMF / DL there is a difference
 - static form of learned (converged) concept-models
 - dynamic form of fuzzy concepts, with creative learning potential, emotional content, and unconscious content