

Improving biodiversity monitoring through soundscape information retrieval

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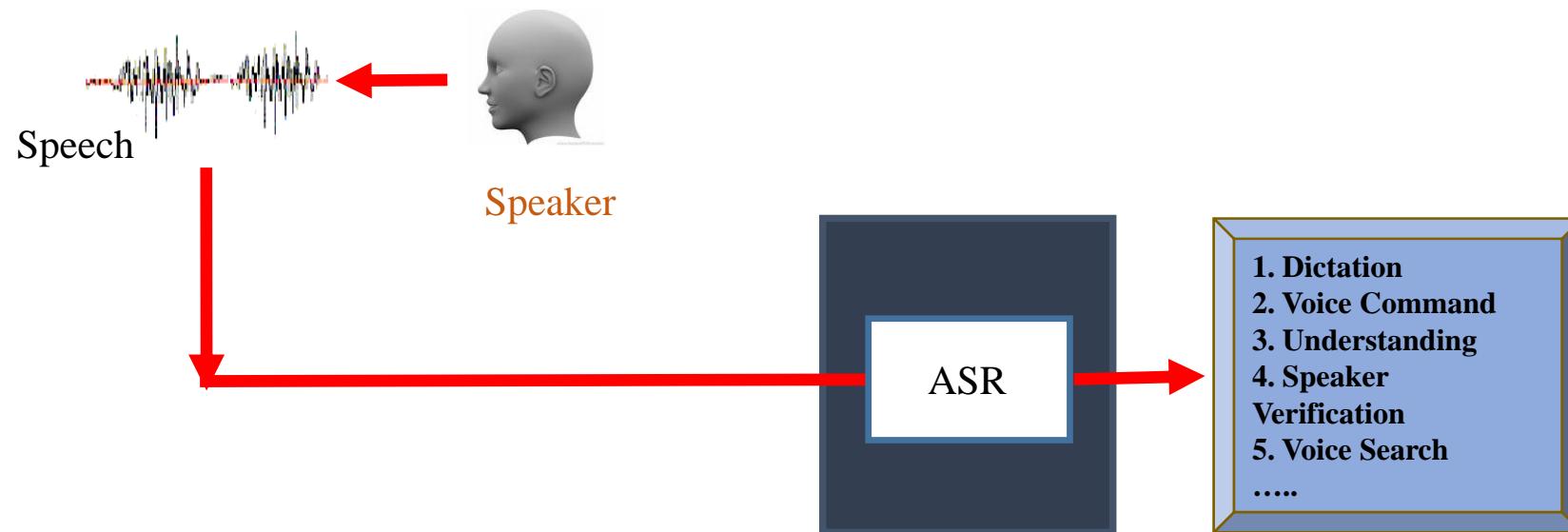
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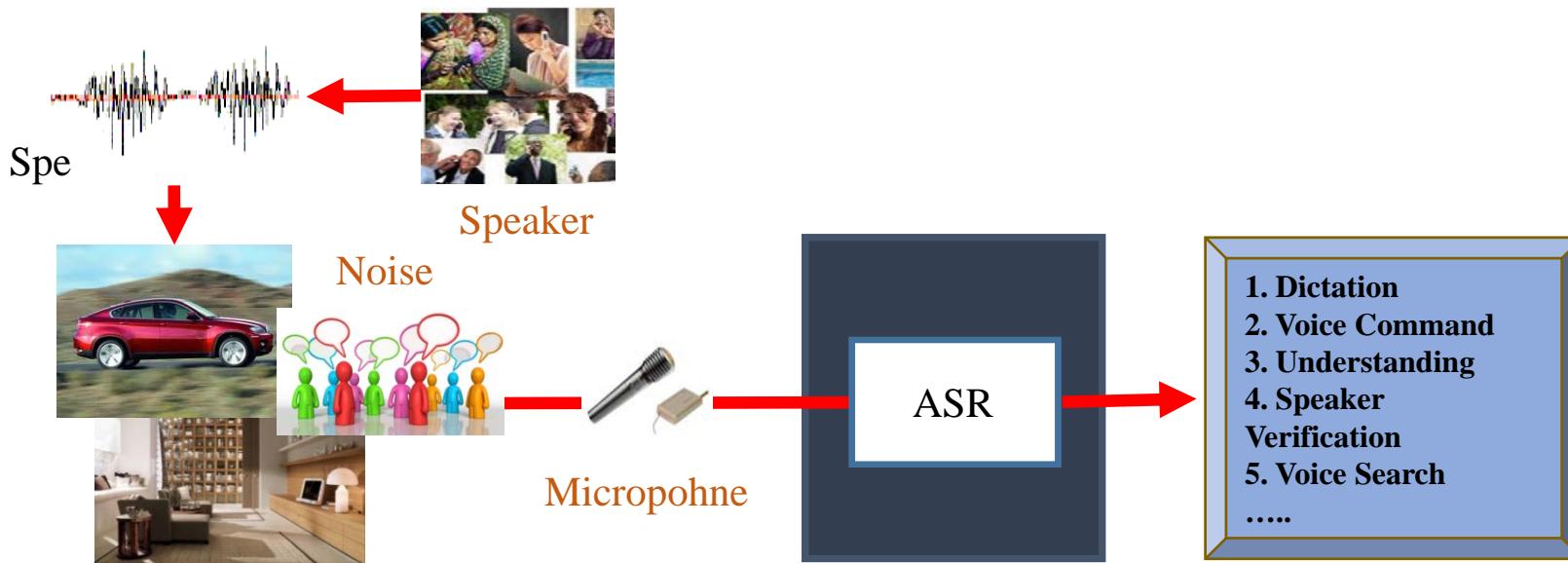
Speech & Audio Signal Processing, Machine Learning and Pattern Recognition,
Speech and Speaker Recognition
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Bio-Acoustic Signal Processing (Bio-ASP) Lab

Automatic Speech Recognition



Automatic Speech Recognition



- Mismatch issues may come from
 - Speaker (age, status, gender)
 - Environment (distance, microphone, noise)
 - All of these issues may happen together

自動語音辨識 (Automatic Speech Recognition)

語音辨識度 (字辨識率 in %)

SNR (dB)	Clean	20	15	10	5	0	Avg
Baseline	99.64	95.09	85.59	65.14	36.51	14.85	59.44
MMSE	99.61	96.38	90.38	77.3	52.72	24.62	68.28
MLSA	99.66	95.37	87.58	70.87	43.95	17.81	63.12
MAPA	99.64	96.45	90.44	77.11	52.25	24.21	68.09
GMAPA	99.67	96.97	92.28	80.38	56.87	27.79	70.86

所提出的訊號處理、模式識別技術使辨識率可以有效地提升
Baseline 系統，字錯誤率降低了 28% (59.44% to 70.86%)

National Institute of Information and Communications Technology (NICT)

Located in Kansai Science City or “Keihanna” area



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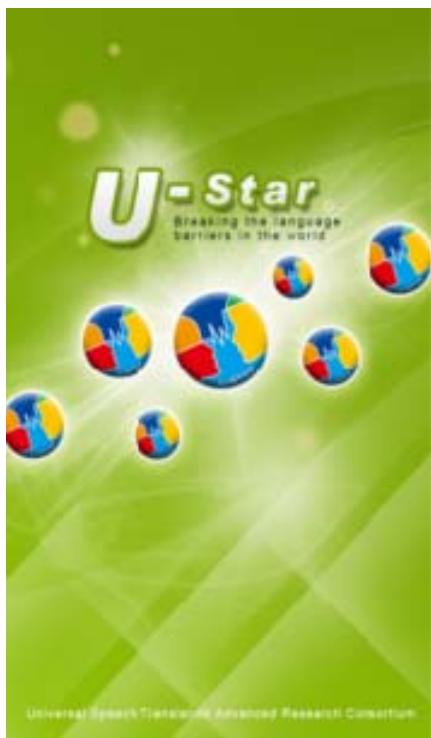


Speech Translation System



- Speech-to-speech translation (voice)
- Speech-to-speech translation (text)

Speech Translation on iPhone (VoiceTra4U)



iPhone 音声翻訳



- Speech-to-speech translation (voice)

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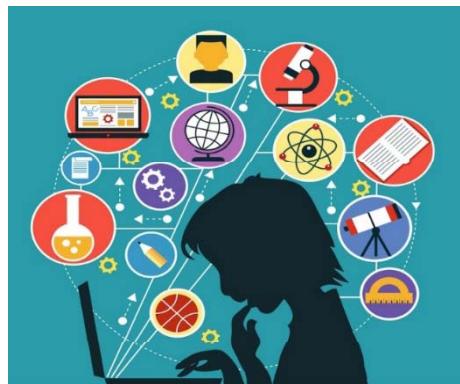
U-STAR Project



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Speech-related Applications

Education



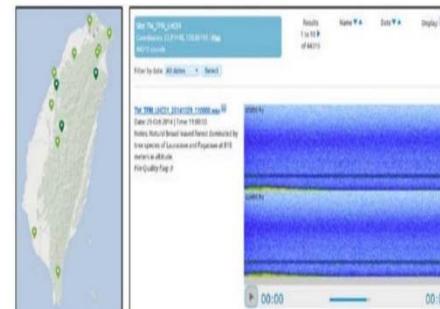
Chatbot



Forensics



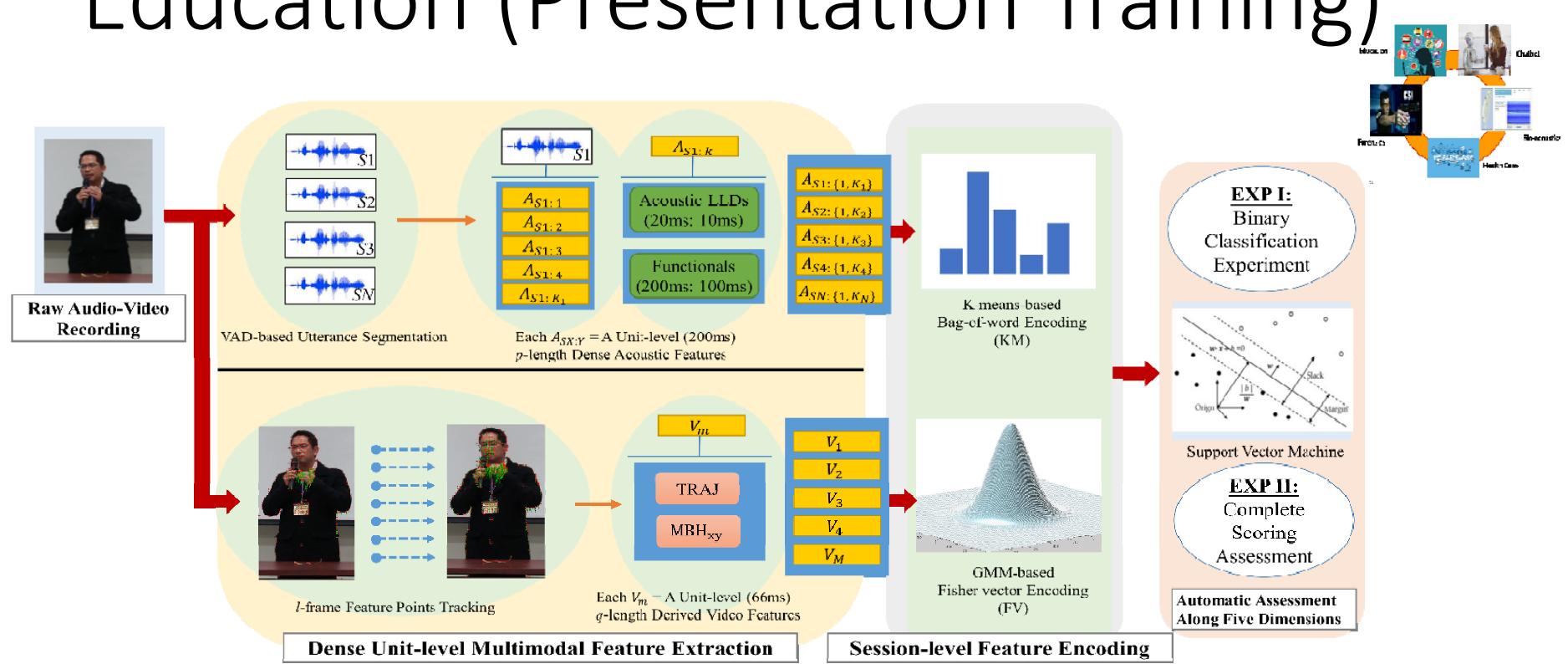
Bio-acoustics



Health Care

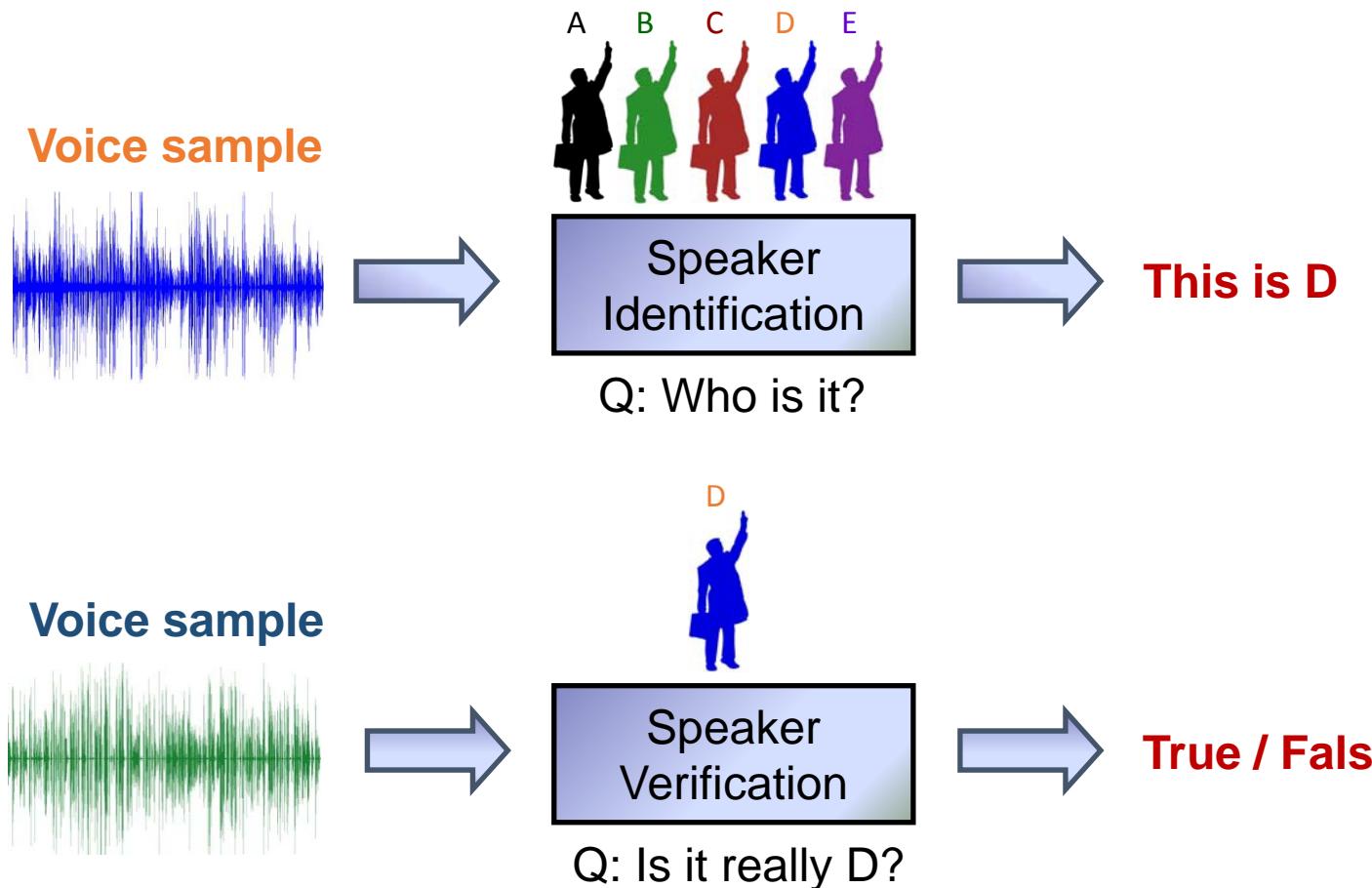


Education (Presentation Training)



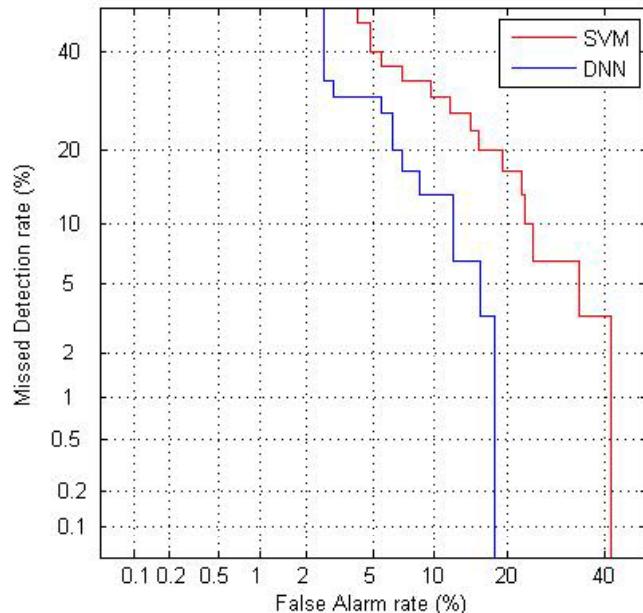
	Baseline SVR			Binary-SVR			Proposed Binary-SVM		
	Audio	Video	Multimodal	Audio	Video	Multimodal	Audio	Video	Multimodal
Dim_{1o}	0.316	0.398	0.445	0.382	0.423	0.495	0.391	0.478	0.534
Dim_{2o}	0.227	0.380	0.394	0.252	0.385	0.411	0.195	0.397	0.421
Dim_{3o}	0.324	0.457	0.482	0.349	0.482	0.519	0.346	0.511	0.552*
Dim_{1r}	0.300	0.330	0.432	0.294	0.332	0.433	0.350	0.360	0.470
Dim_{2r}	0.304	0.278	0.362	0.300	0.278	0.360	0.310	0.294	0.417
Dim_{3r}	0.455	0.367	0.539	0.462	0.362	0.542	0.475	0.357	0.551*

Forensics (Speaker Recognition)



Speaker Verification

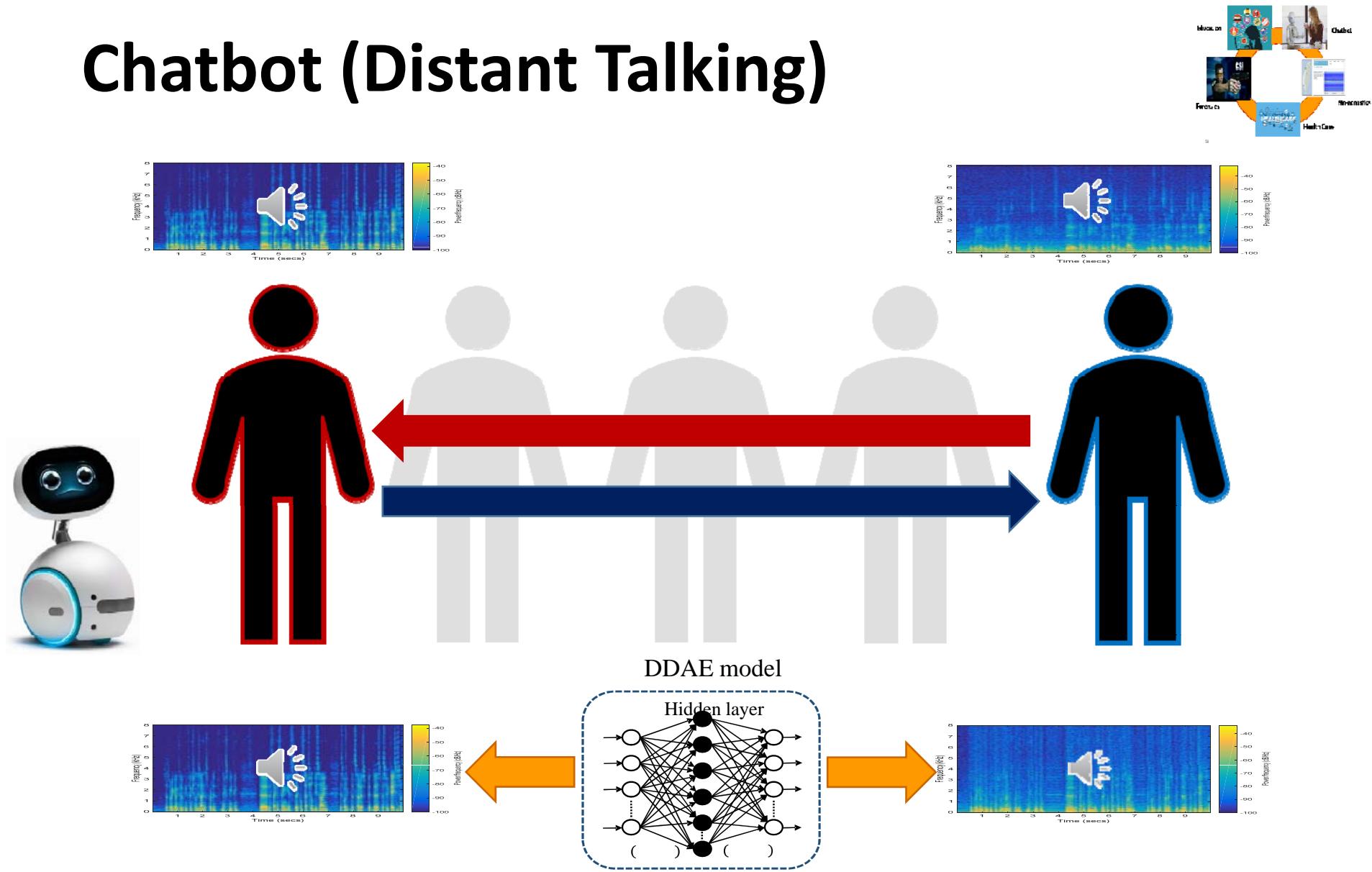
- Detection error tradeoff curve(DET curve)
 - A graphical plot of error rates for binary classification systems, plotting false alarm rate vs. missed detection rate



	EER
SVM	19.26%
DNN	12.22%

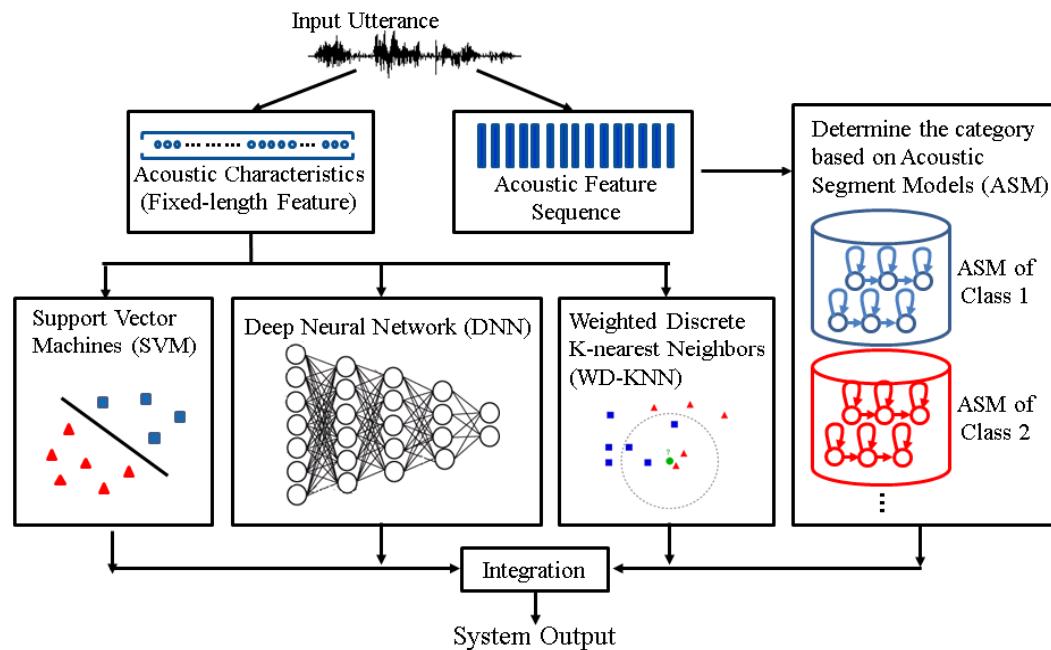
DNN outperforms SVM when using i-vector as the feature extraction in all of the evaluations.

Chatbot (Distant Talking)



P. Lin et al., "Multi-style Learning with Denoising Autoencoders for Acoustic Modeling in the Internet of Things (IoT)". CSL, 2017.

Health Care (Speech Emotion Recognition)

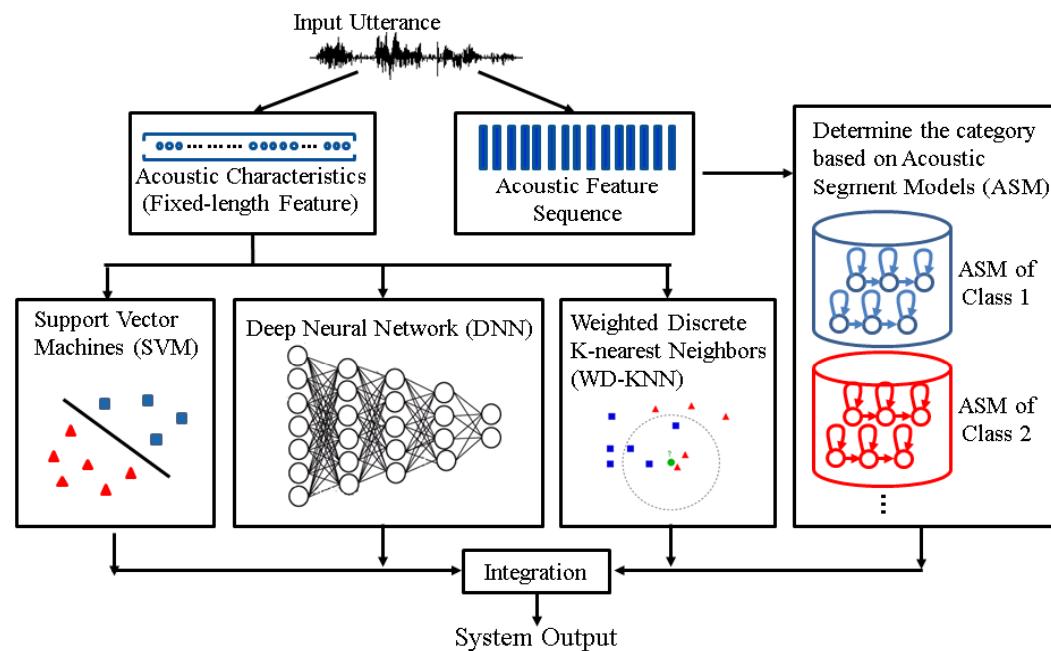


- The proposed ensemble system that incorporates **multiple knowledge sources** outperforms individual systems

UAR*	Arousal	Valence	12-way Emotion
Baseline	82.4%	77.9%	40.1%
Structural SVM	83.2%	76.9%	45.0%
DNN	87.7%	81.2%	47.6%
KNN	82.4%	52.4%	40.1%
ASM	72.9%	66.3%	22.4%
Ensemble	88.2%	84.1%	49.4%

* unweighted average recall

Health Care (Autism Disorders Recognition)



- The proposed ensemble system that incorporates **multiple knowledge sources** outperforms individual systems

UAR	Typical	Diagnosis
Baseline	92.8%	52.4%
Structural SVM	93.2%	56.2%
DNN	94.4%	57.5%
KNN	84.1%	51.7%
ASM	70.2%	32.9%
Ensemble	94.5%	57.8%

H.-y. Lee et al., "Ensemble of Machine Learning and Acoustic Segment Model Techniques for Speech Emotion and Autism Spectrum Disorders Recognition". Interspeech 2013.

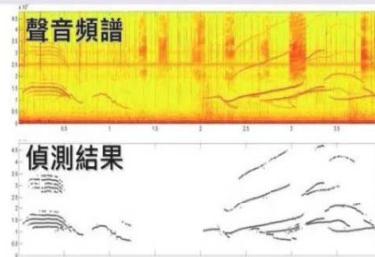
Bio-acoustics (Biology Monitoring)

台灣東部海域鯨豚群聚生態之自動化監測平台

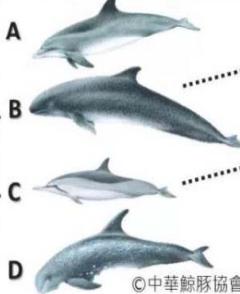
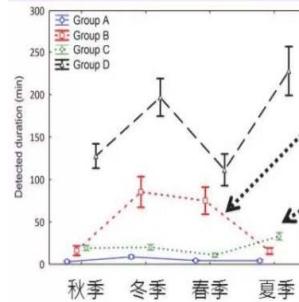
1. 宜蘭外海即時水下監聽站



2. 自動化聲音偵測



4. 鯨豚群聚生態自動化監測平台



3. 自動化種類辨識

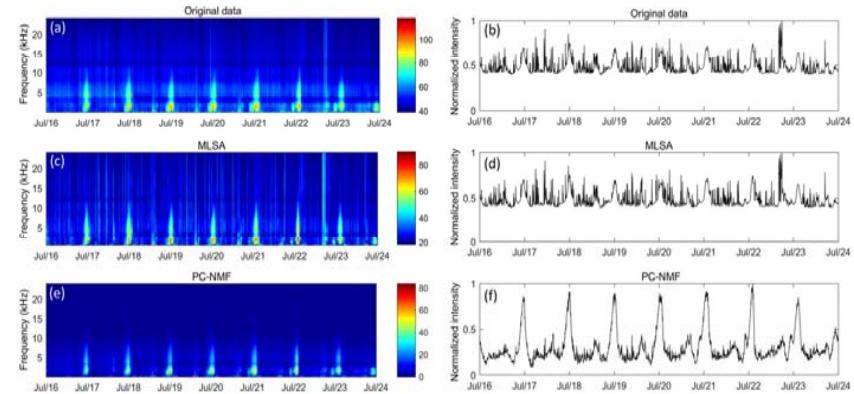
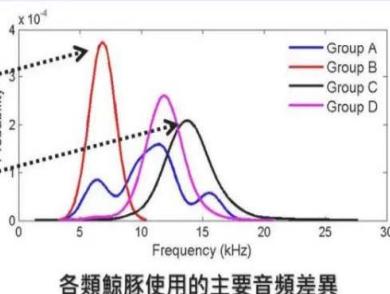
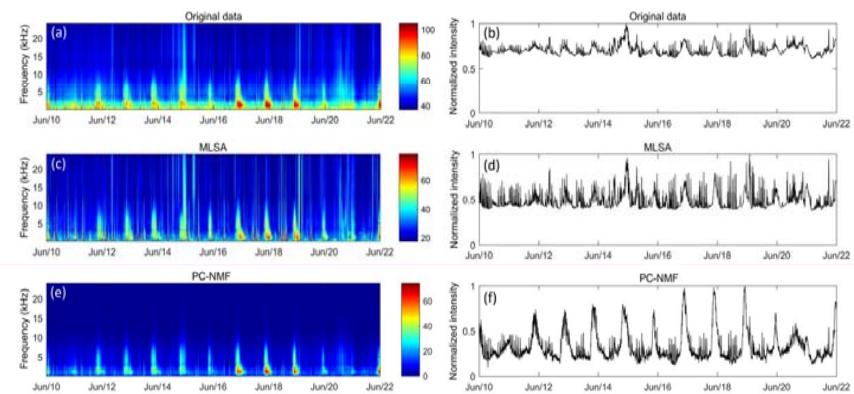


Figure 5. Spectrograms and normalized intensities of underwater recordings collected at the Waisanding Sandbar. The graph shows a comparison between (a,b) the original data and (c,d) the analysis results using the MLSA method and (e,f) the PC-NMF.



T.-H. Lin et al., "Improving biodiversity assessment via unsupervised separation of biological sounds from long-duration recordings". SR, 2017

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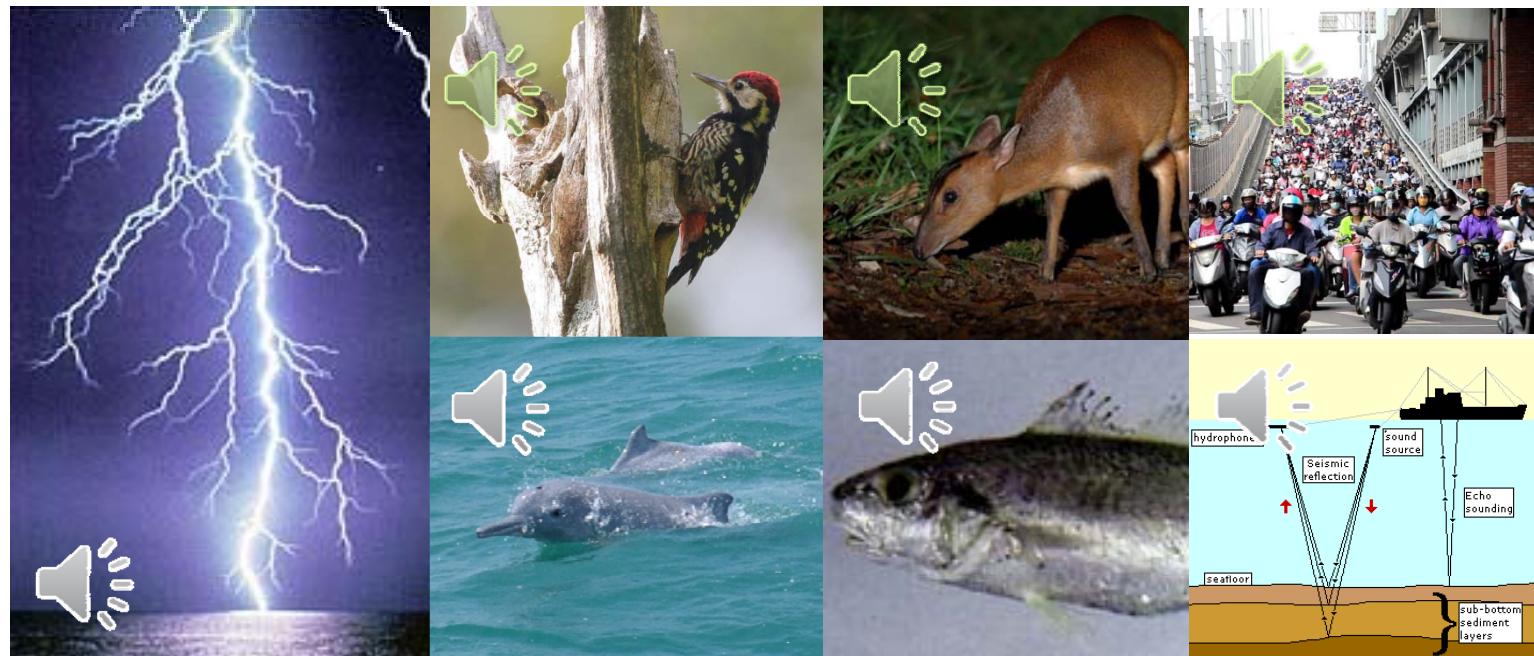
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Soundscape: data science of ecosystem

- **Biophony:** biodiversity
- **Geophony:** geophysical events and weather conditions
- **Anthrophony:** impacts of human activities on ecosystem

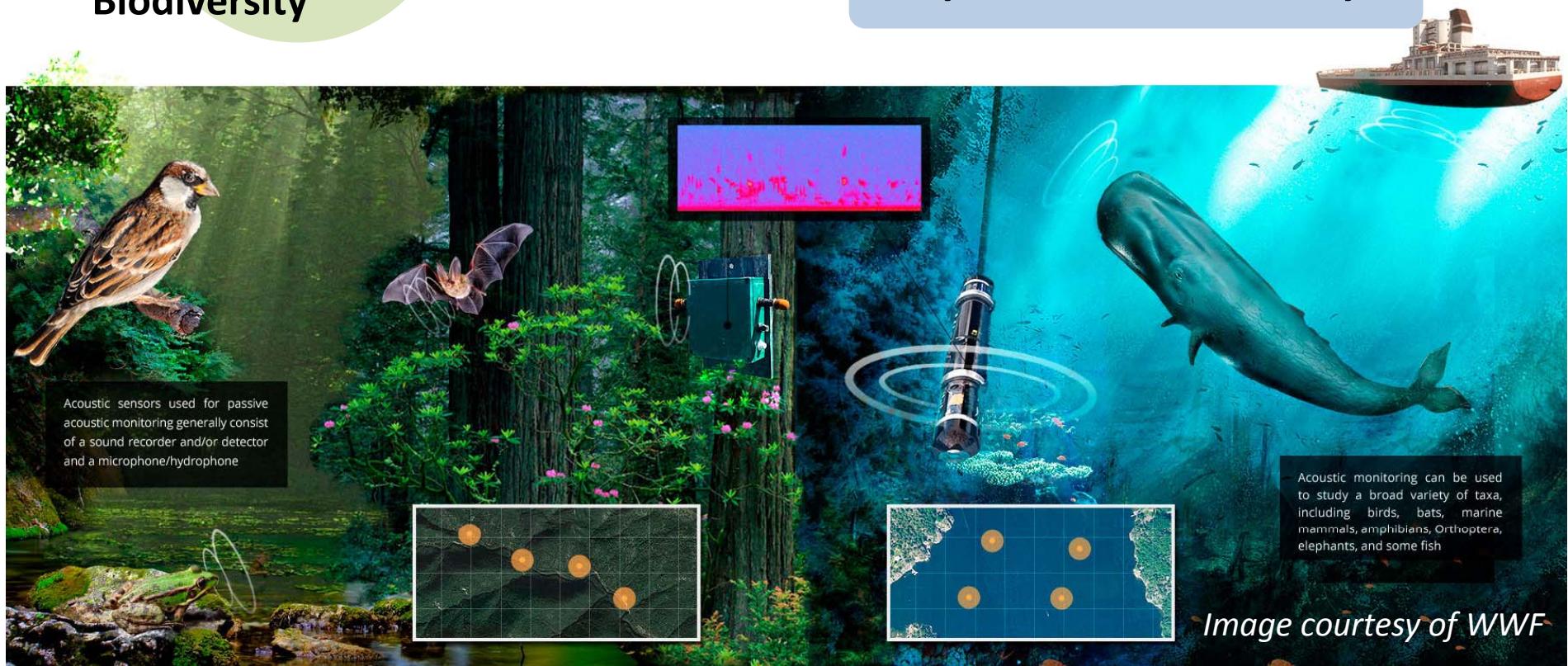
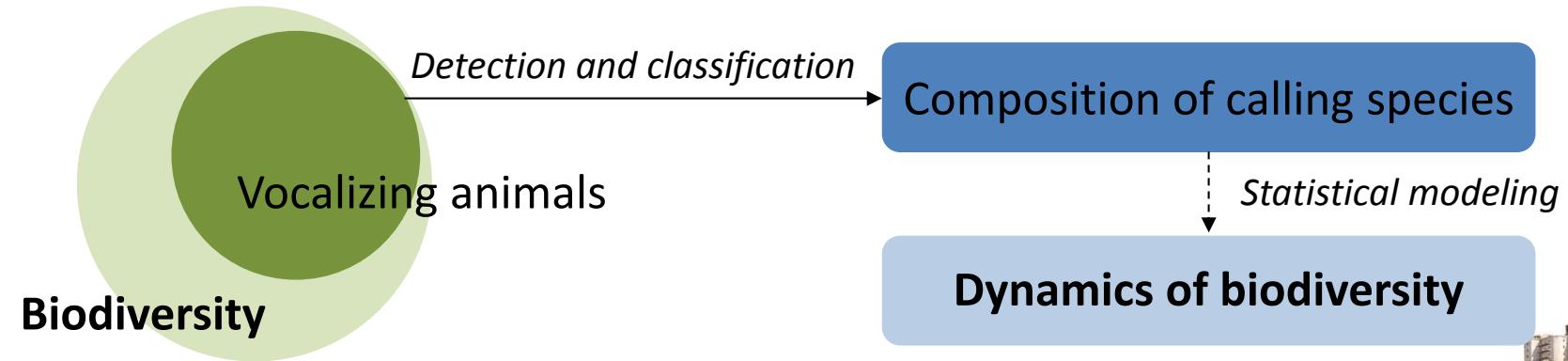


Large-scale soundscape projects

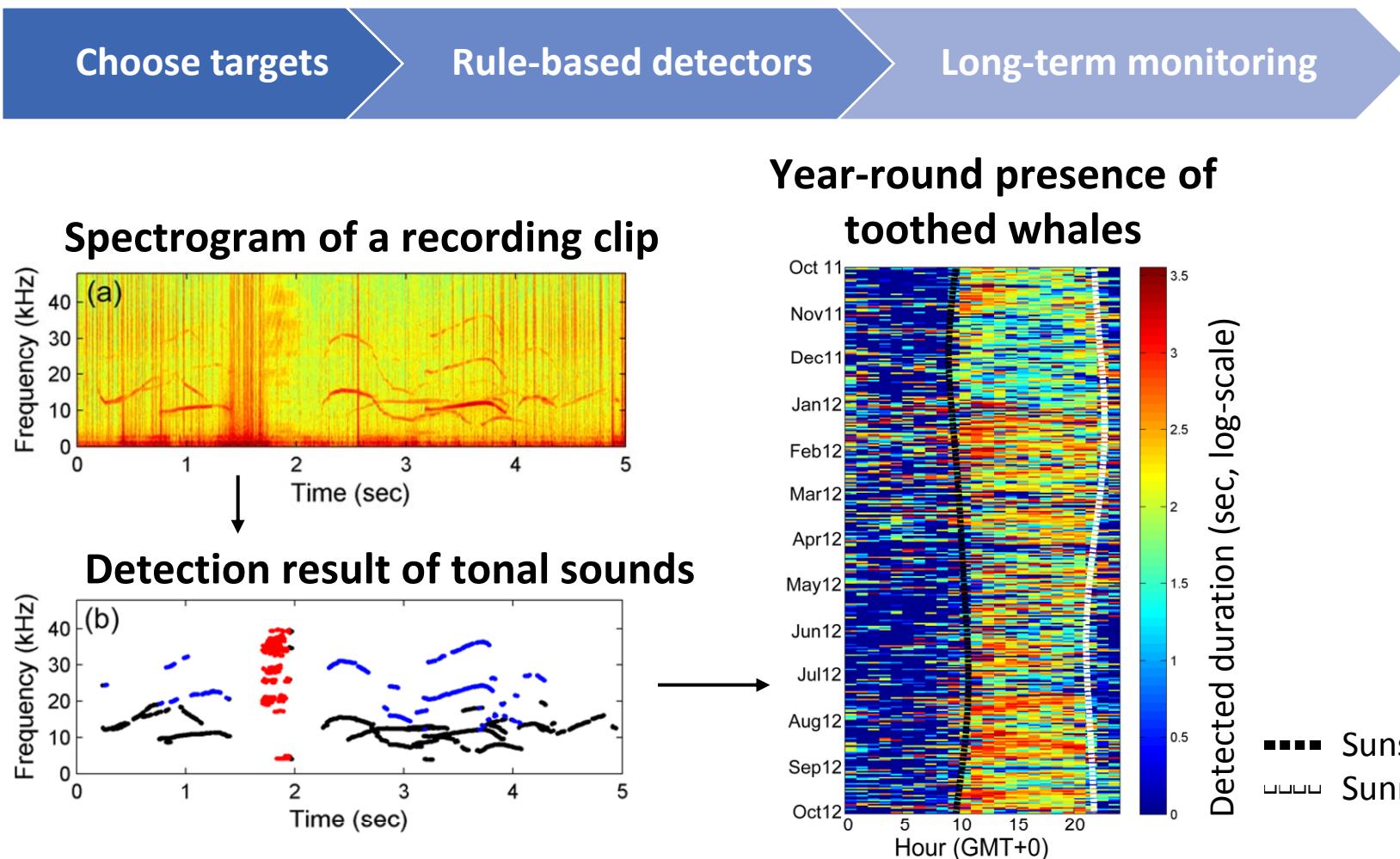
- **Big data:** large-scale, long-term monitoring
- **Interdisciplinary integration:** sensor network, signal processing, ecological research



Concept of passive acoustics-based biodiversity monitoring



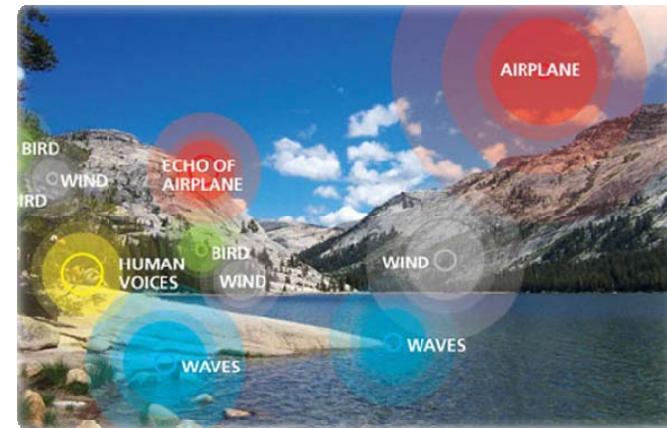
Searching based on existing information



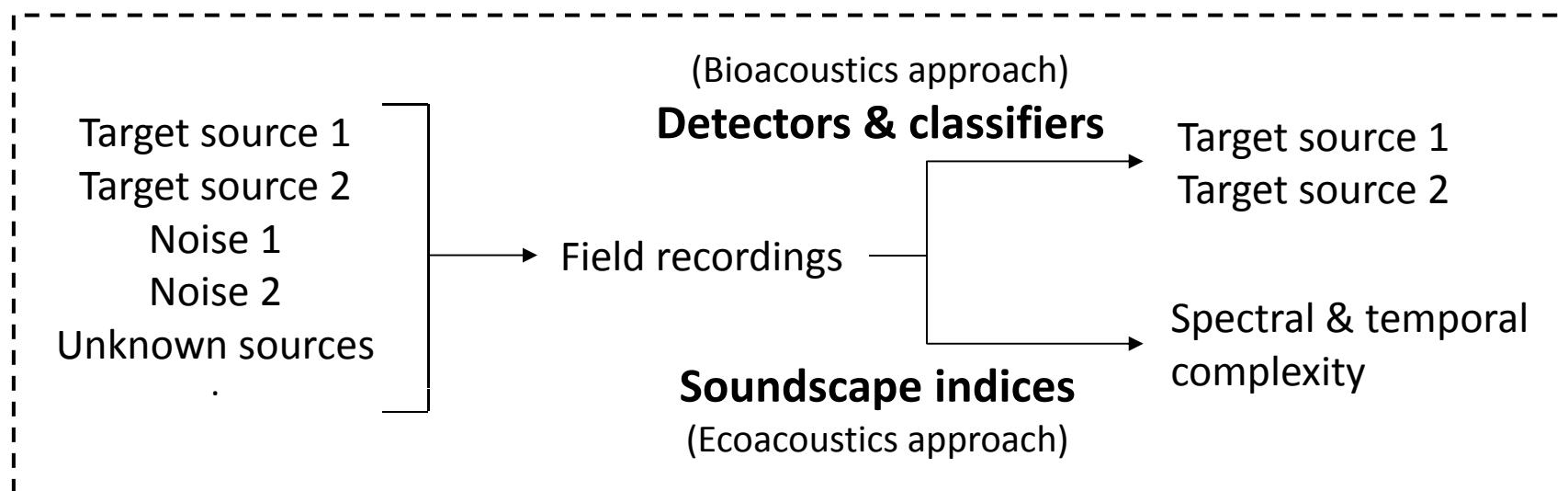
Lin et al. (2015) PLOS ONE

Challenge in soundscape analysis

- **Precision of acoustical analysis**
 - Noise interference
 - Simultaneous sound sources
- **Low precision may lead to a biased ecological interpretation**



<https://www.nps.gov/yose/learn/nature/soundscape.htm>



Source separation may improve the analysis of soundscape

- **Supervised approach**
 - Model building based on training data
 - Powerful but require labeled and clean data

- **Unsupervised approach (blind source separation)**
 - Dictionary learning
 - Matrix factorization

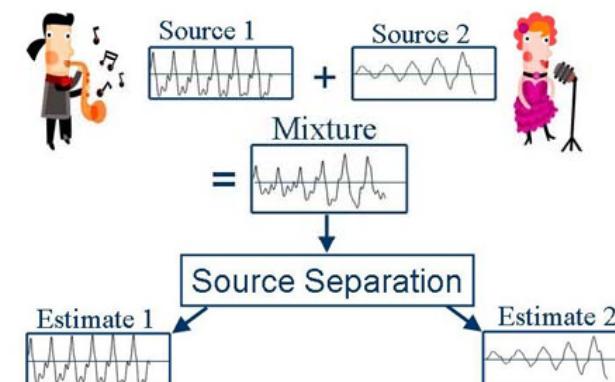
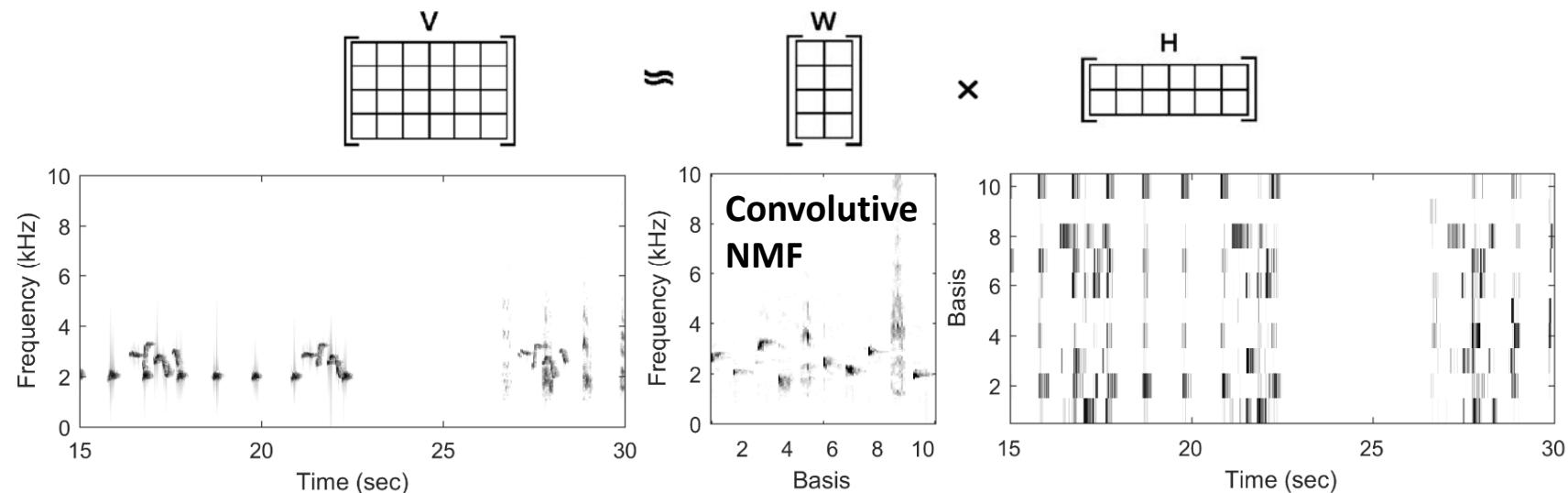


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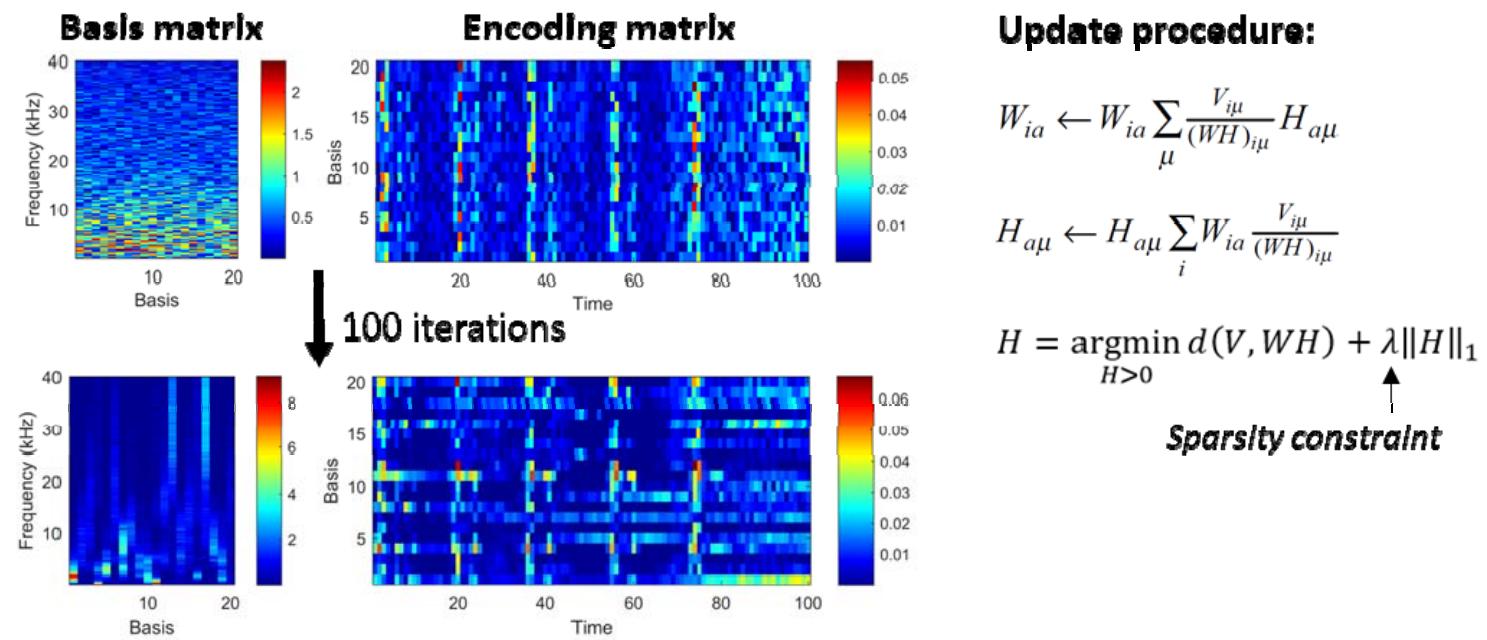
Non-negative matrix factorization (NMF)

- Decomposition of a non-negative matrix (spectrogram)
 - **Basis matrix (W)** : spectral feature (bricks)
 - **Encoding matrix (H)** : temporal information (number of bricks)



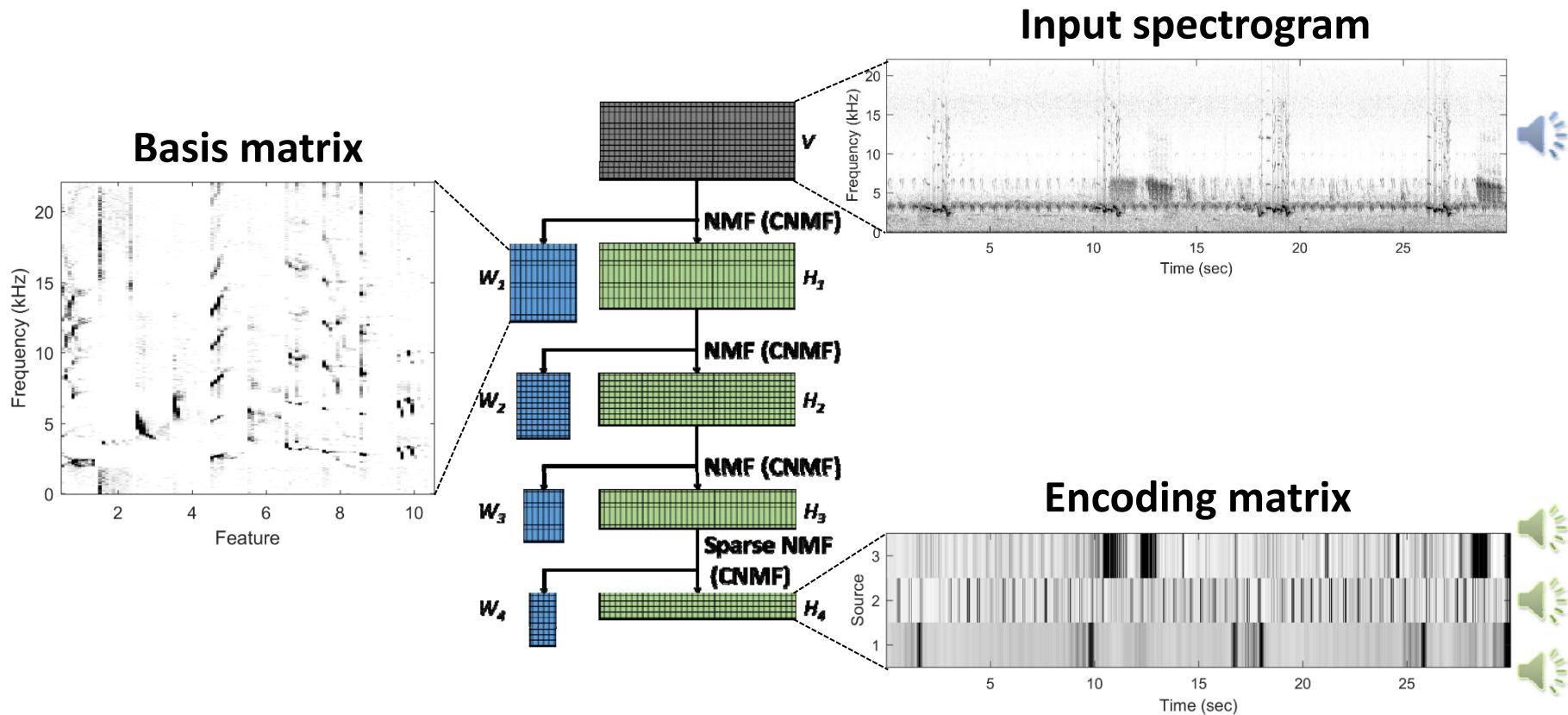
Self-learning of NMF

- Initialize by random values or prior knowledge
- Update the basis matrix (W) and encoding matrix (H) through iterations



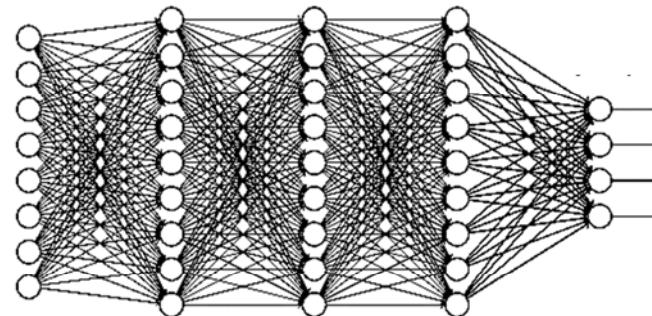
Multiple layers of NMF

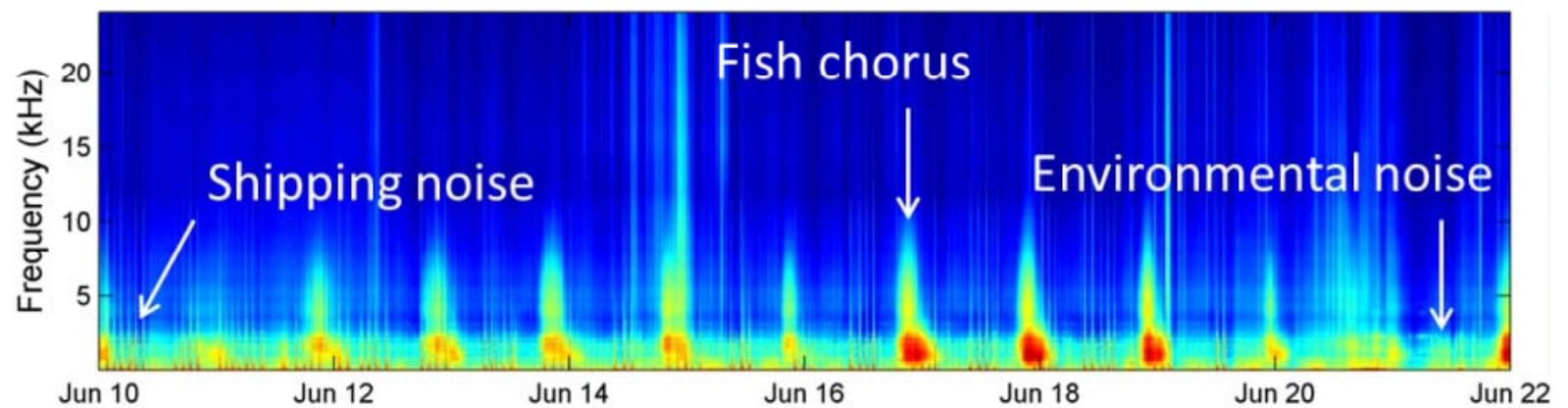
- Estimate basis weights by multiple layers of NMF or CNMF
- Learn the encoding information of k sources by the sparse layer



Objectives

- Applying the MLNMF to...
 - Separate soundscape components from long-duration recordings
 - Separate different species of animal vocalizations
 - Search target signals from noisy recordings

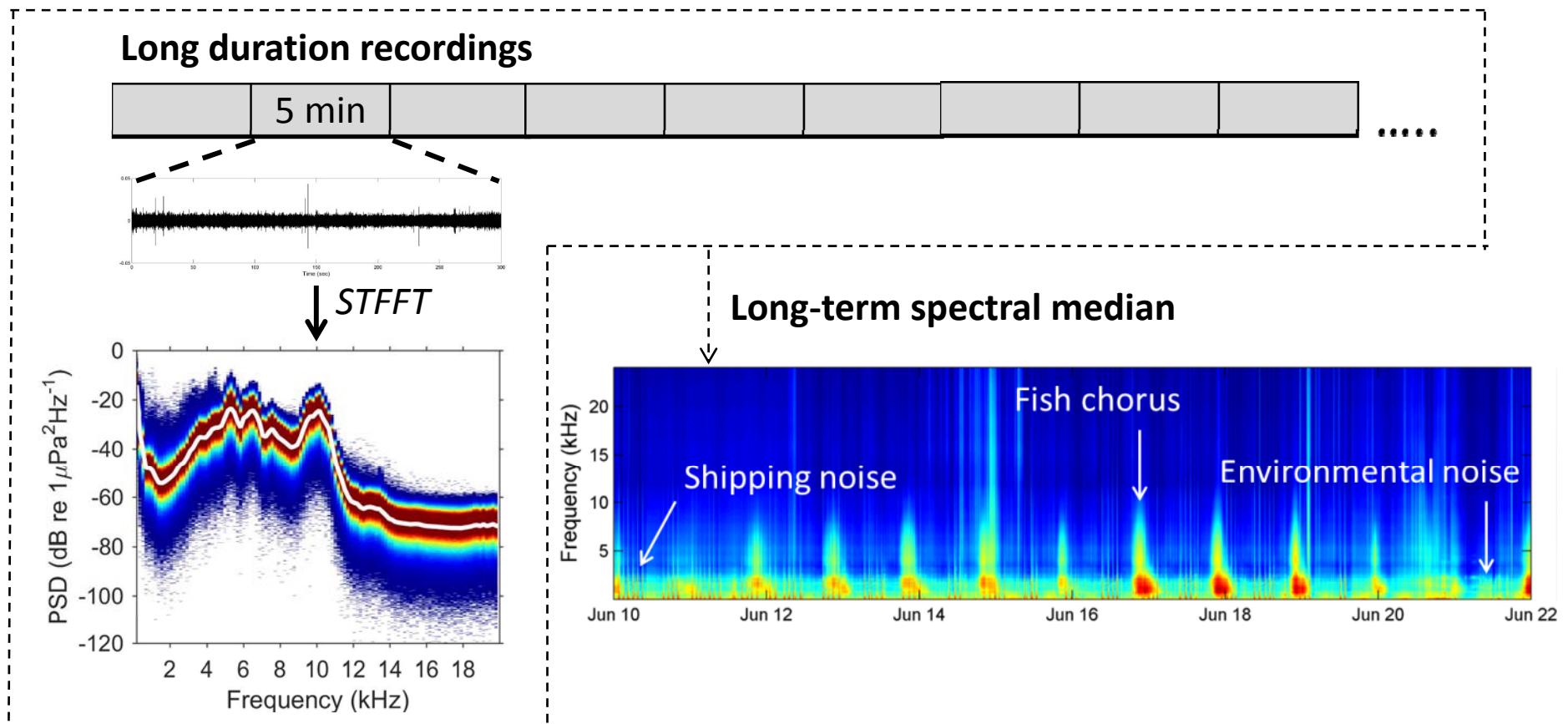




SEPARATION OF SOUNDSCAPE COMPONENTS

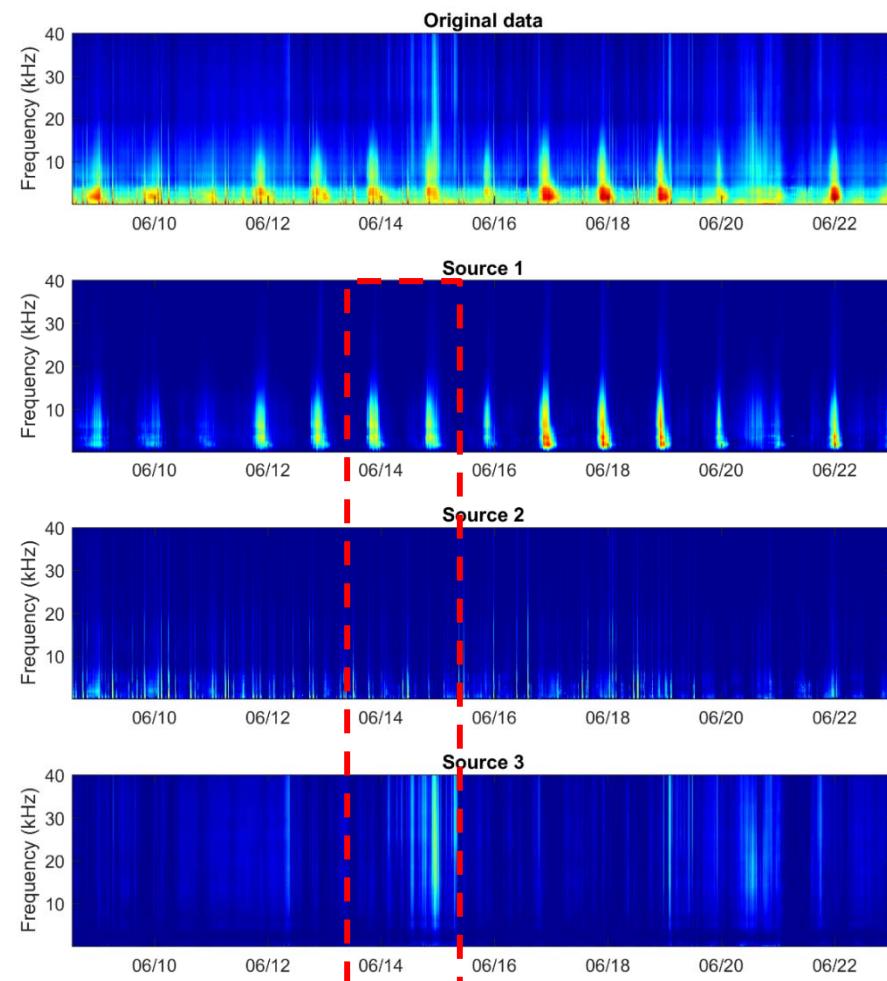
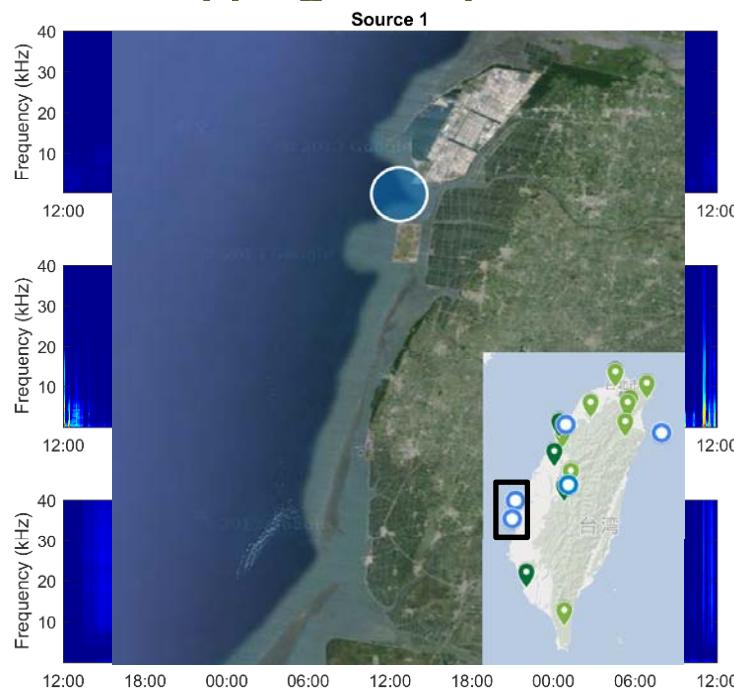
Visualization of long-duration recordings

- Visualization of marine soundscape using a long-term spectrogram



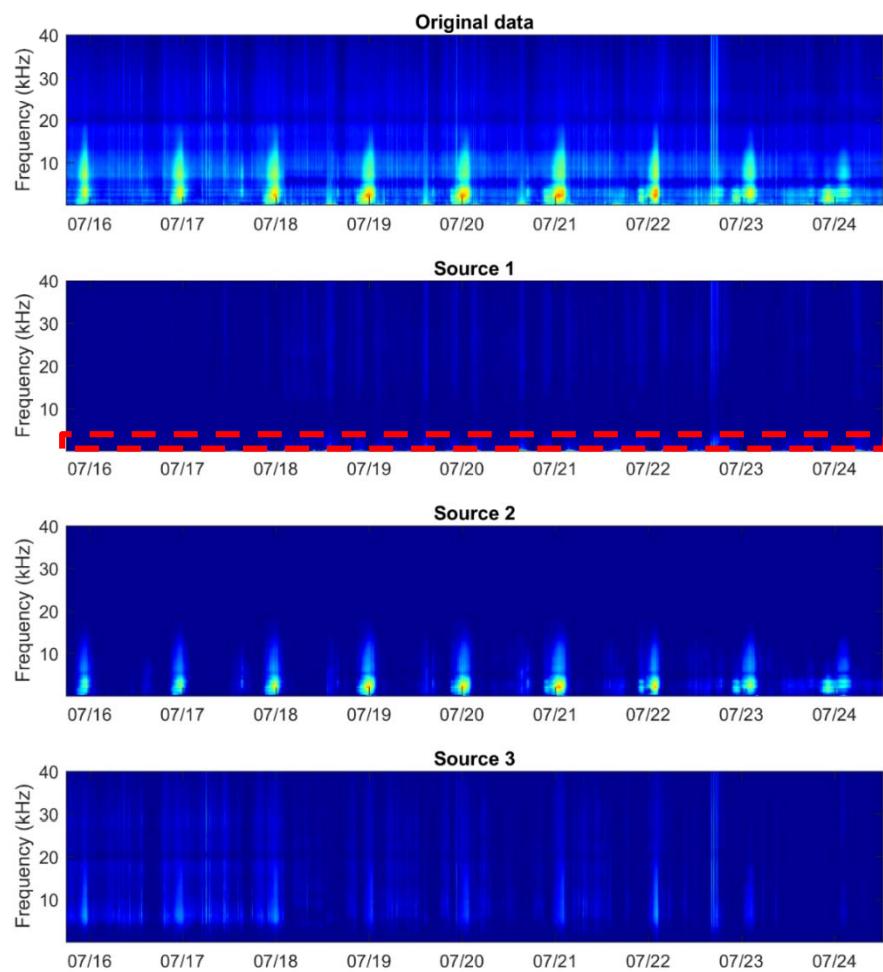
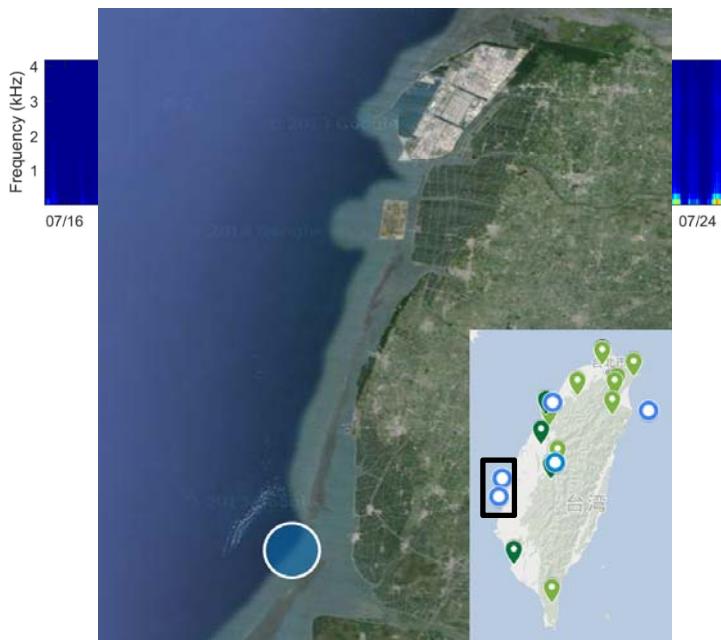
BSS of biophony and anthrophony

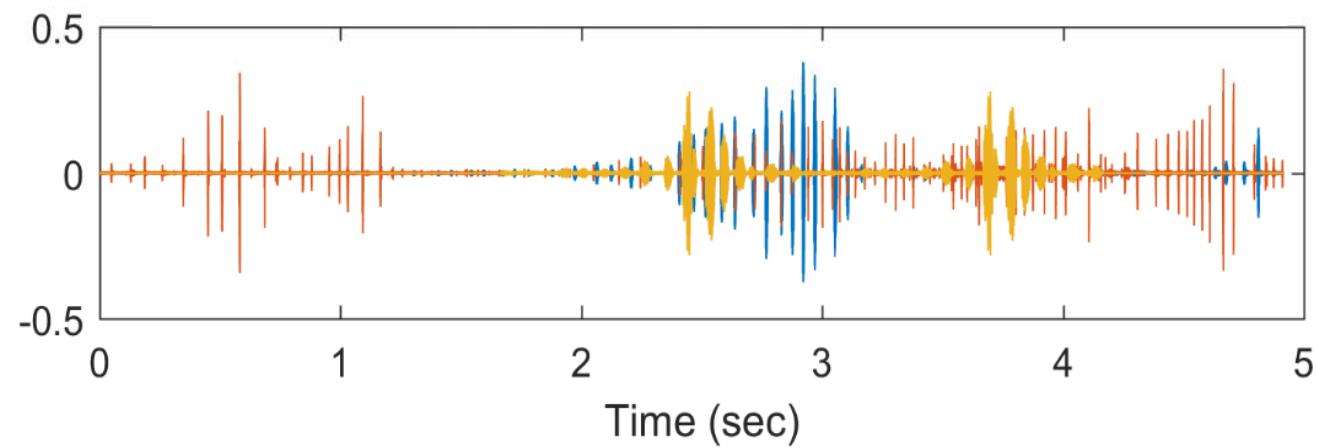
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 - Fish chorus
 - Shipping noise
 - Snapping shrimp sounds



BSS of biophony and geophony

- Recordings collected near by Waisanding sandbar, Yunlin County
 - Current noise
 - Fish chorus
 - Snapping shrimp sounds

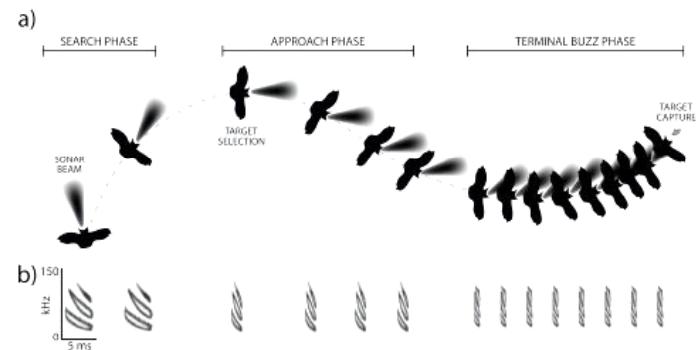
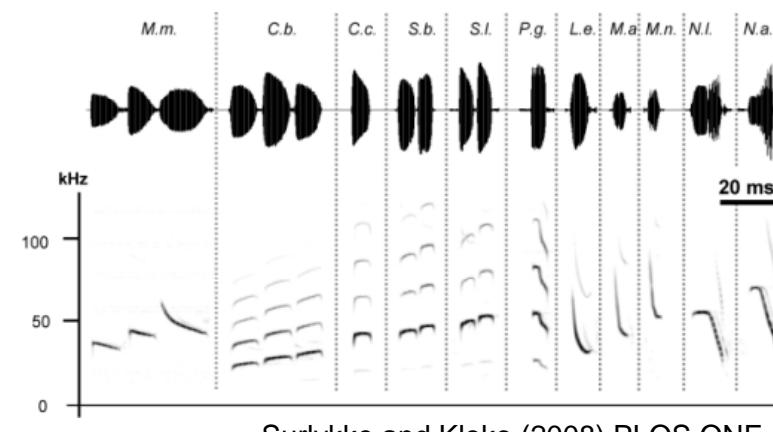
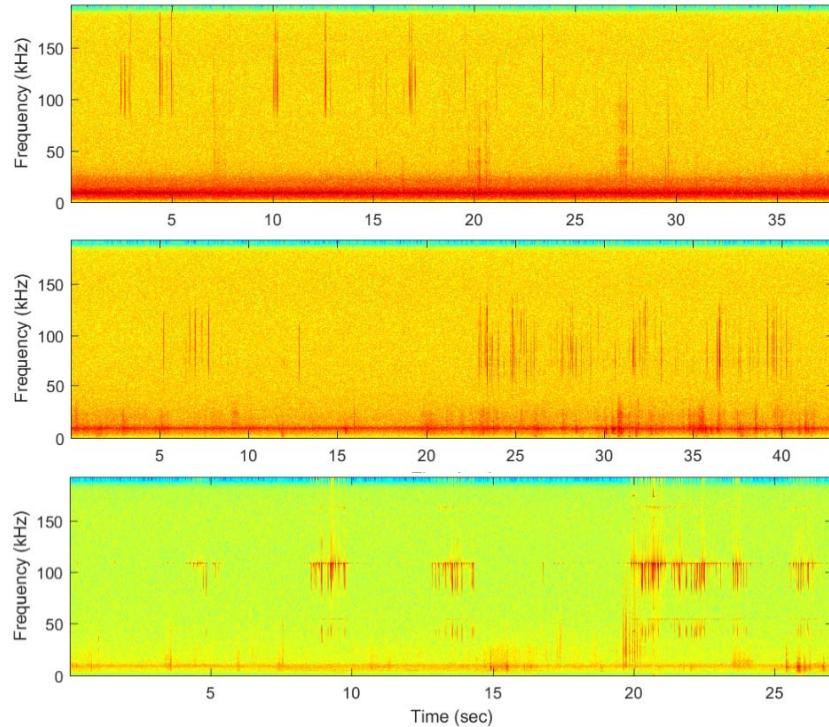




SEPARATION OF SPECIES-SPECIFIC CALLS

Separation of different bat echolocation calls

- Reference calls of 13 bat species, that differed in spectral and temporal features

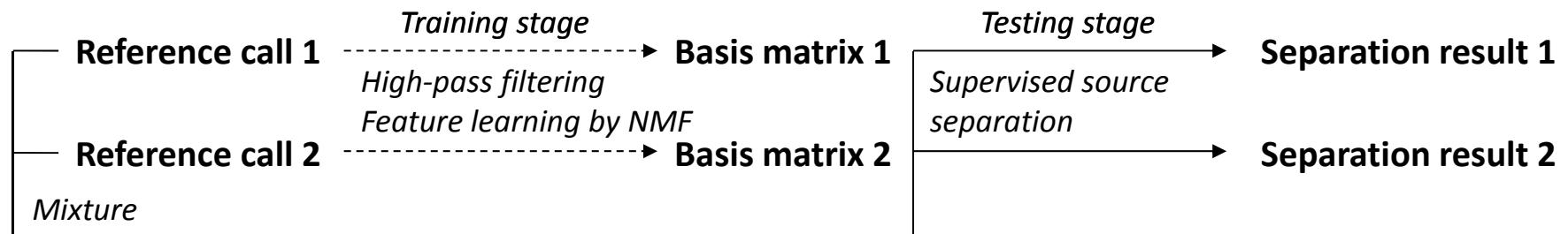


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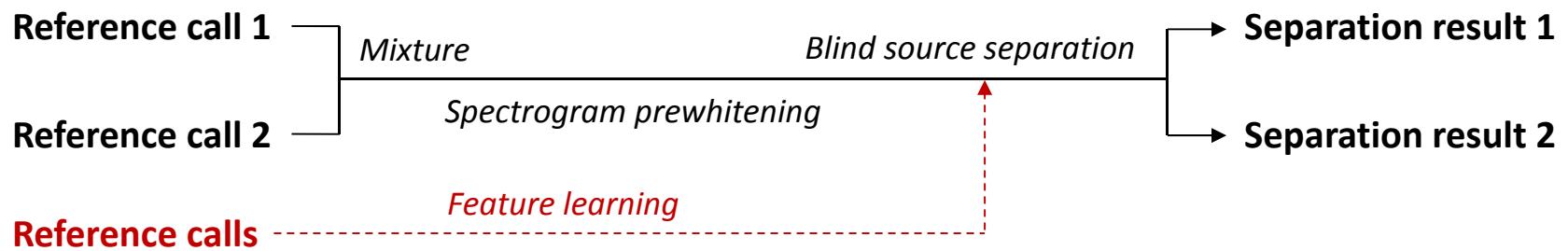
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Deep NMF-BSS outperformed NMF-based SS

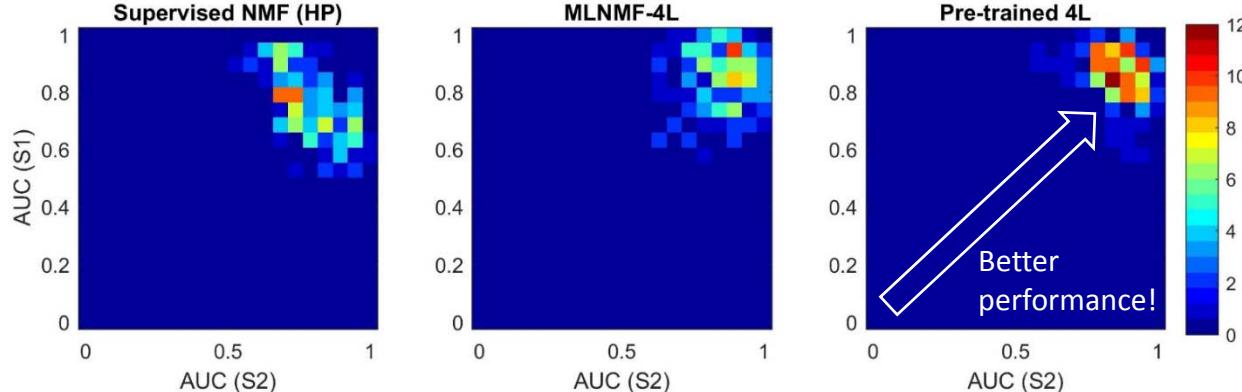
- Supervised NMF



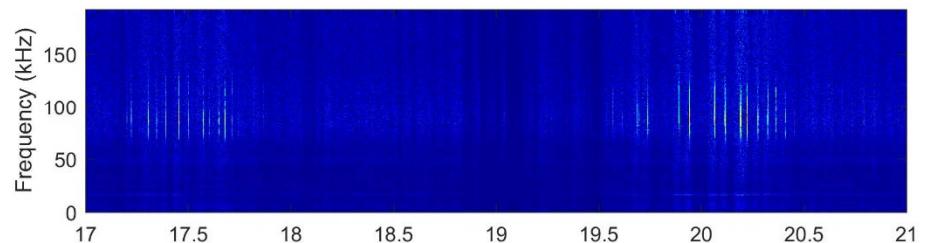
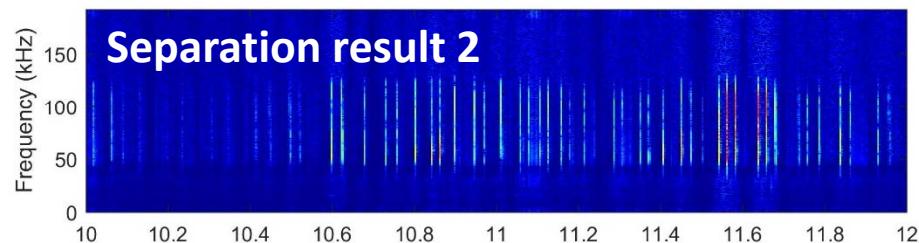
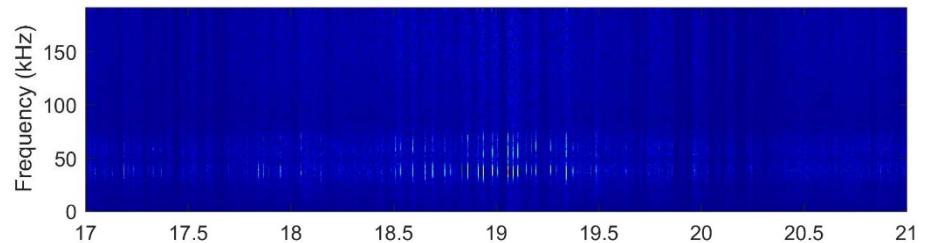
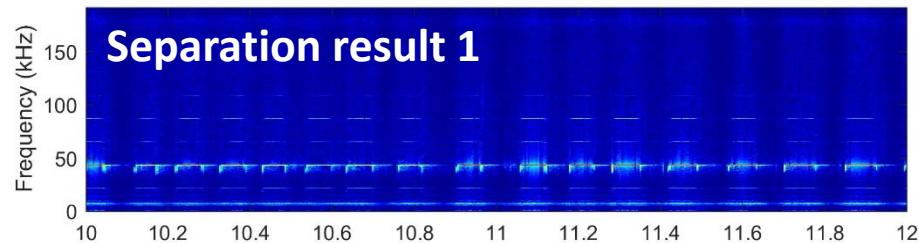
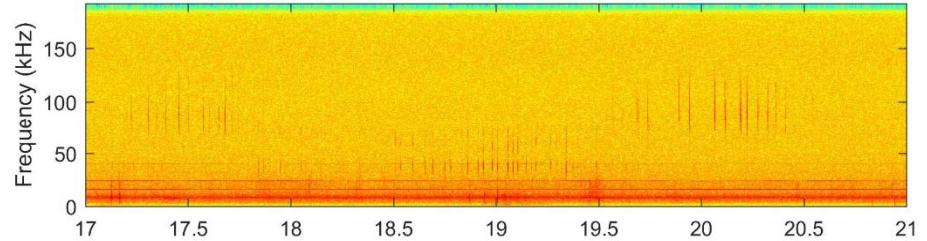
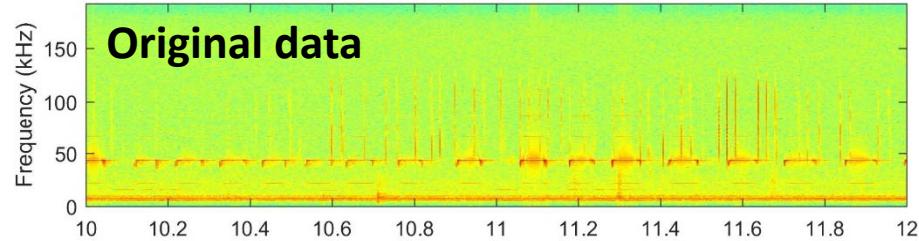
- MLNMF-4L (pre-trained)

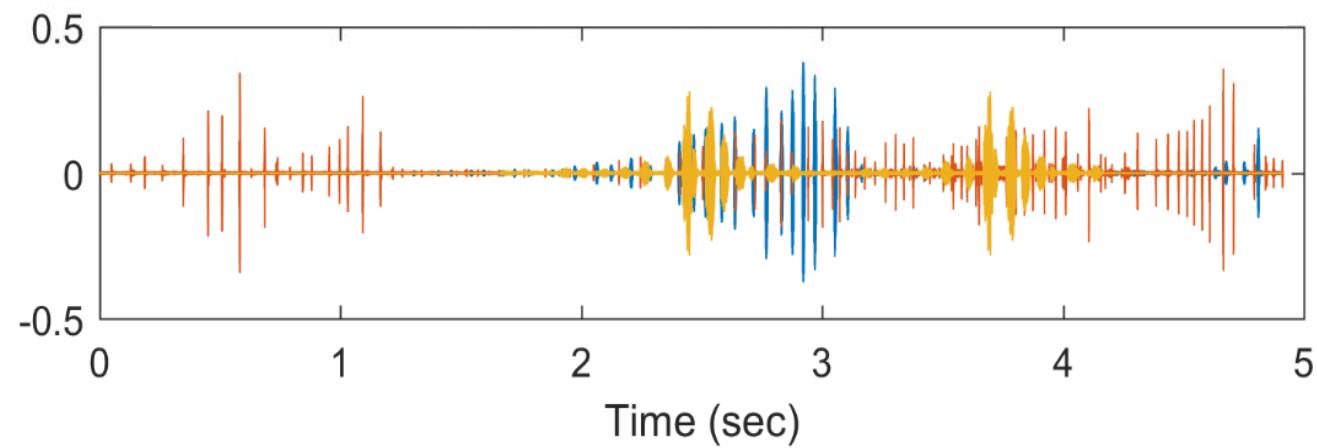


Distribution of
AUC scores



Examples of separation result





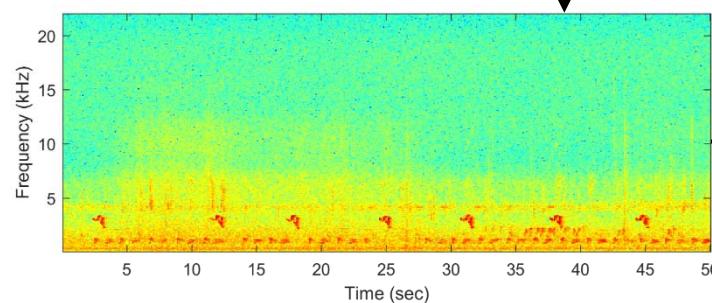
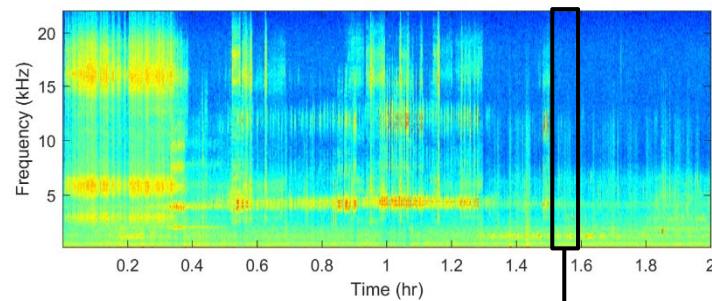
SEARCHING IN A NOISY SOUNDSCAPE

Bird calls in a subtropical forest

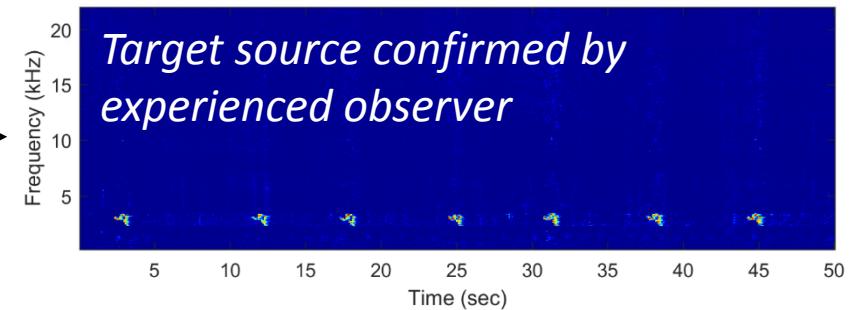
- **Dusky fulvetta (*Schoeniparus brunneus*)**
 - Common species < 2000 m elevations



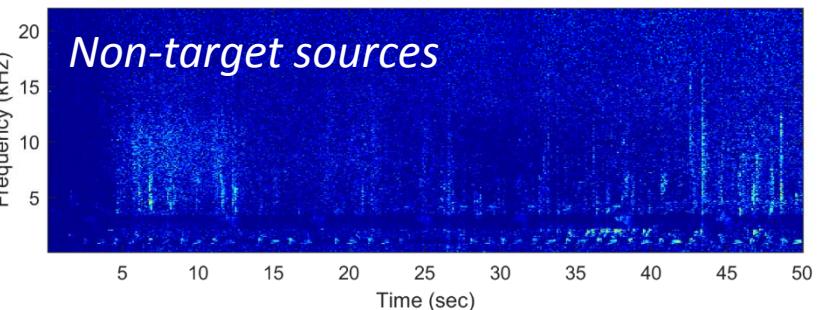
Field recordings from 5 AM – 7 AM



Prewhitening
MLNMF



Target source confirmed by experienced observer

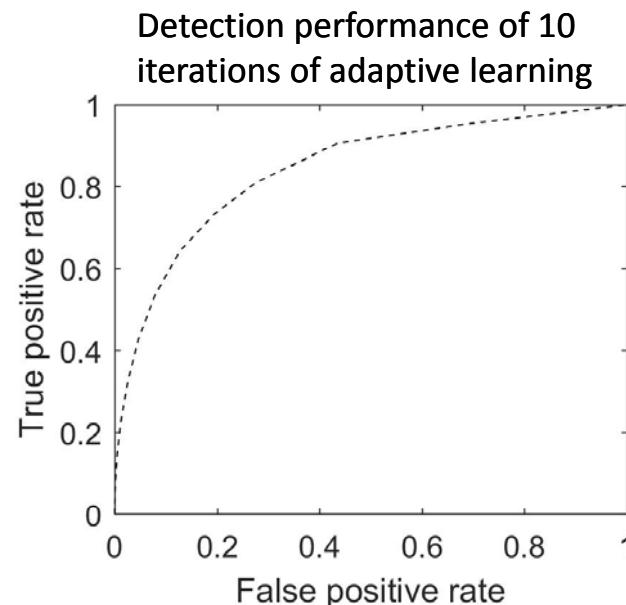
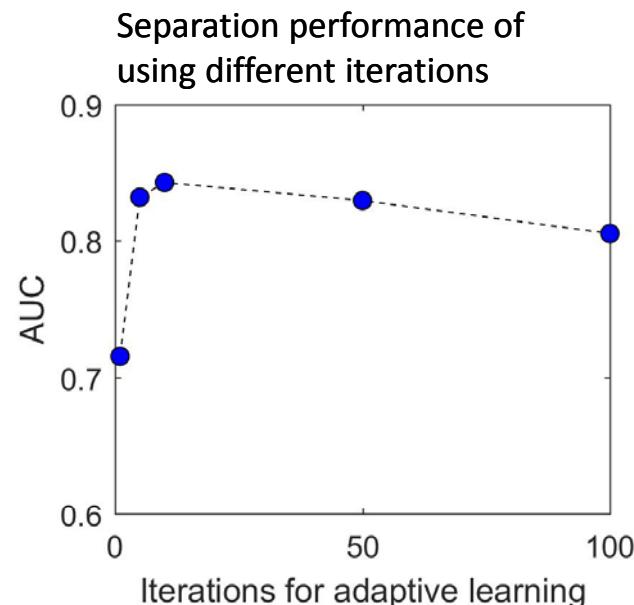
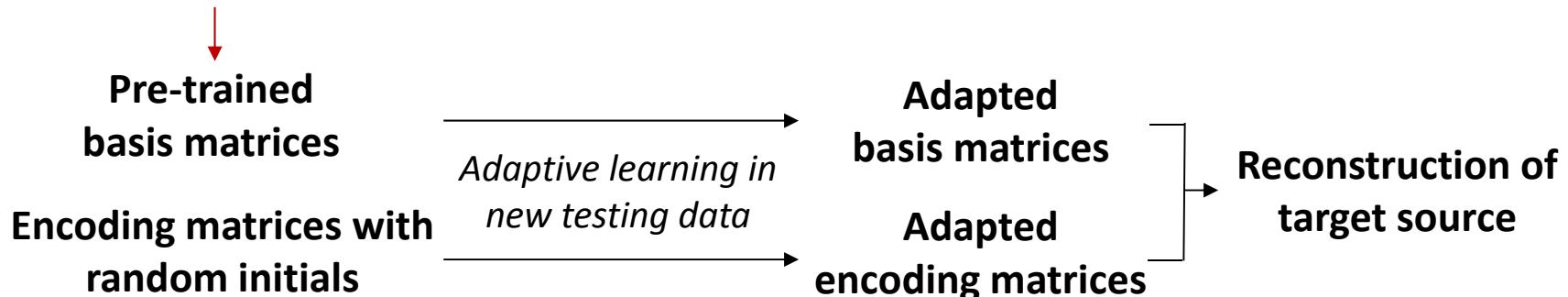


Non-target sources

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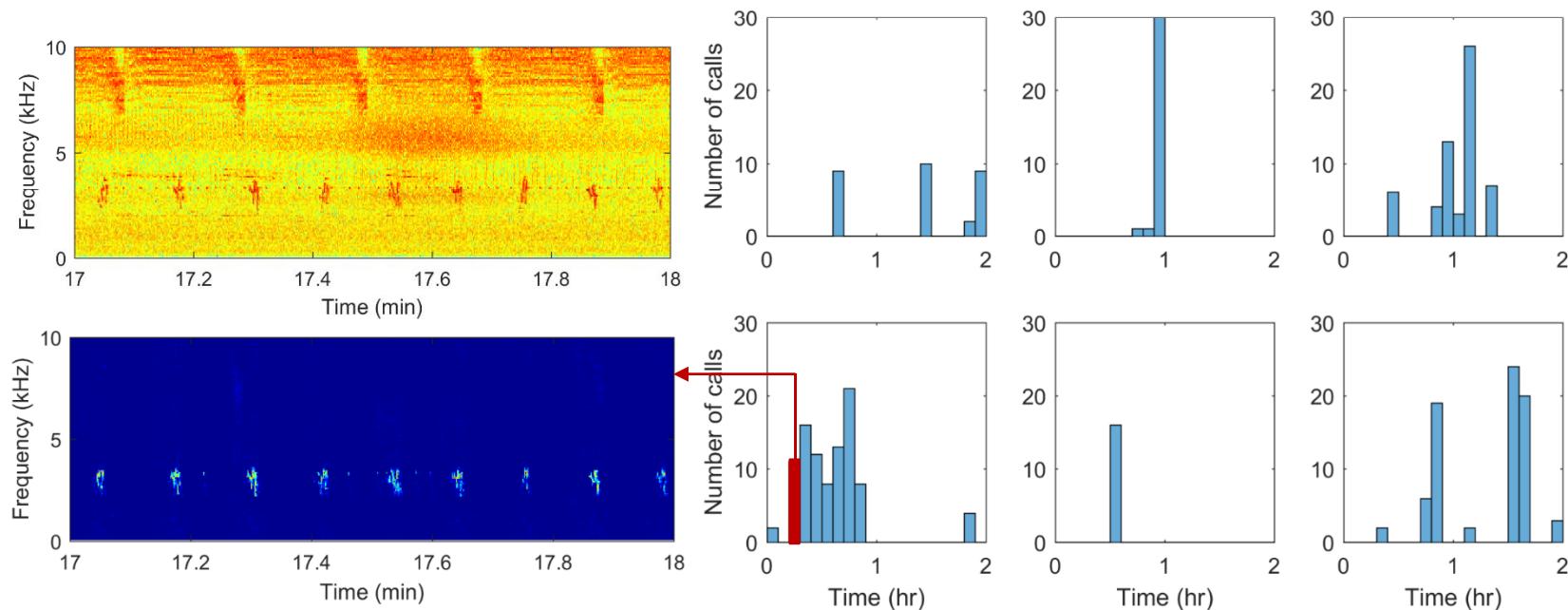
Performance of “audio search”

Prior knowledge based on the MLNMF model trained by 50 sec



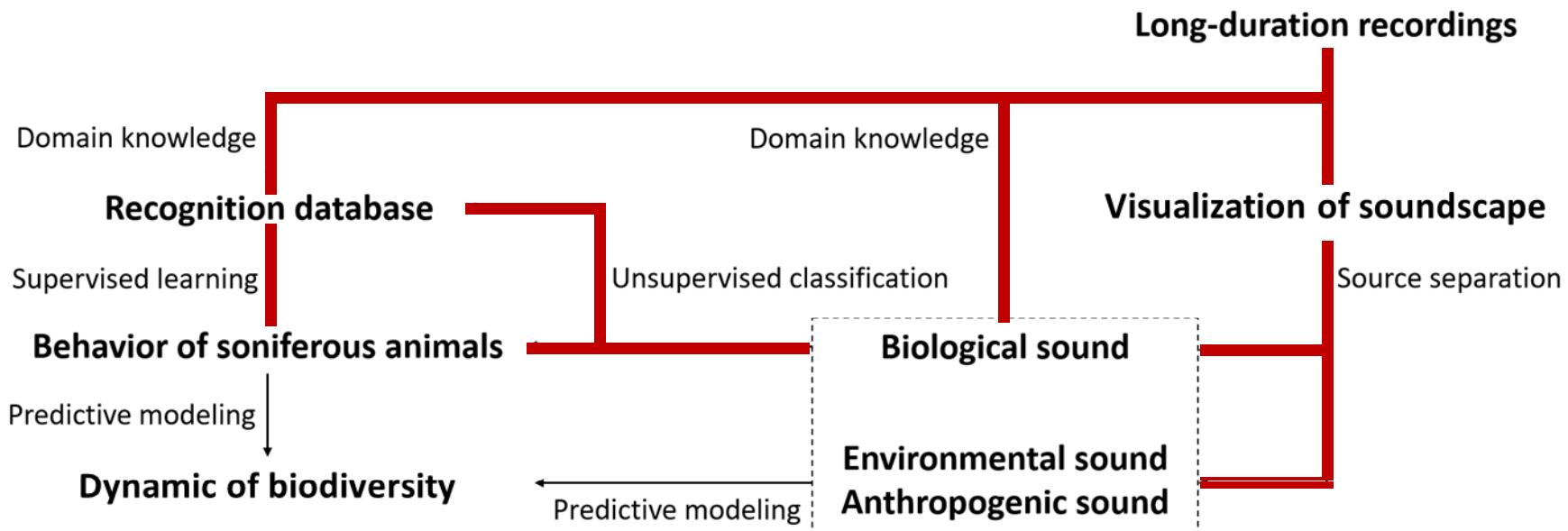
Spatial-temporal distribution of bird calls

- MLNMF model perform well in searching the target bird call by using a small training data (unlabeled!)
- Noise types not encountered in the training data can also be separated effectively



Improving biodiversity monitoring using SIR

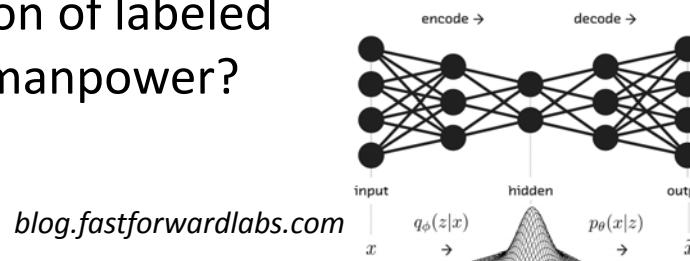
- Reduce the difficulty of acoustical analysis for ecologists
 - Effective blind source separation
 - Soundscape components on a long-term spectrogram
 - Animal vocalizations with different spectral and temporal characteristics
 - Efficient supervised separation by using a small training data



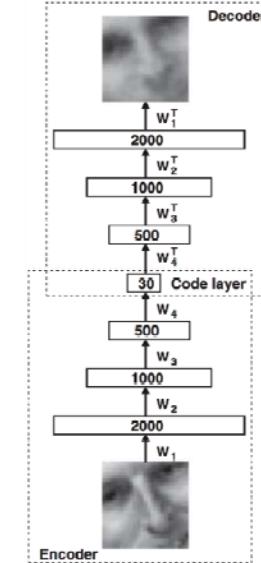
Future integration of deep learning and SIR

- **Unsupervised learning (Deep AE, Variational AE)**

- Improve NMF-based blind source separation
- Facilitate the collection of labeled data with minimum manpower?



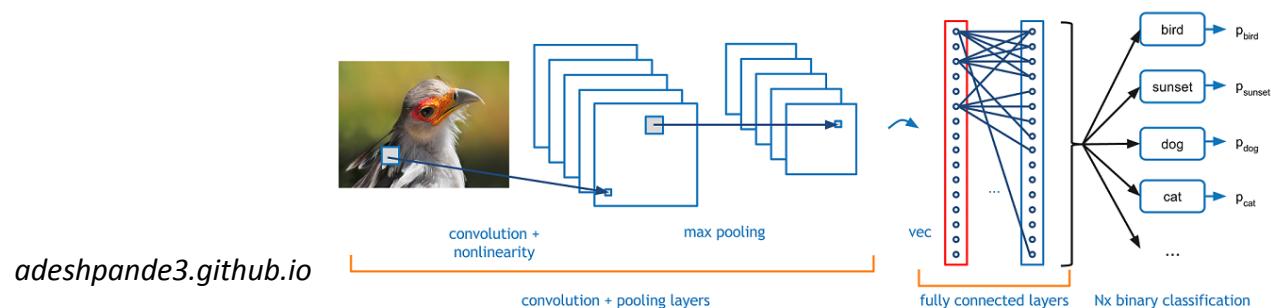
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Hinton & Salakhutdinov (2006) Science

- **Supervised learning (CNN, RNN...)**

- Identification of species by learning from a large amount of training data
- Identification of behavior or individual?



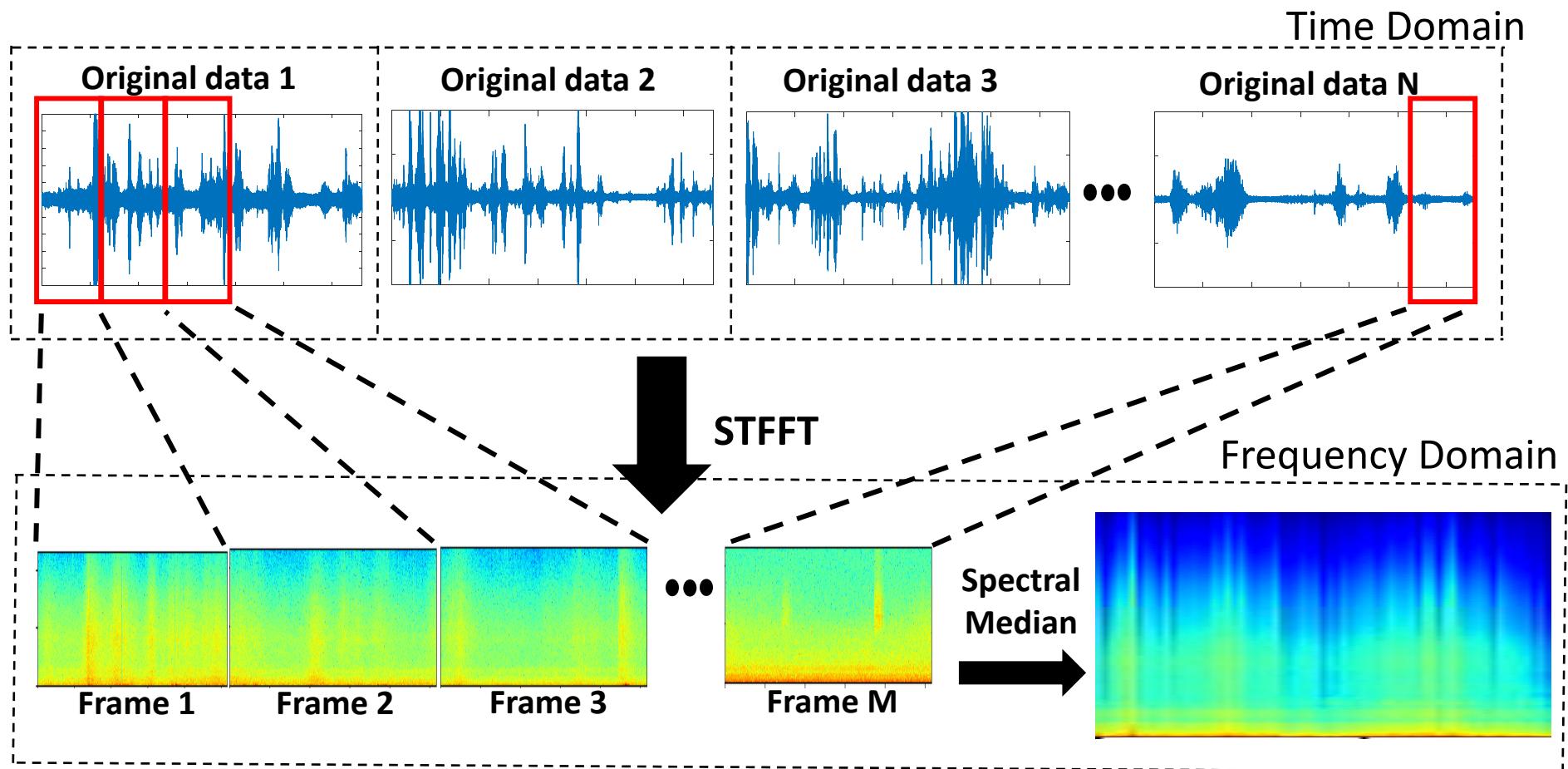
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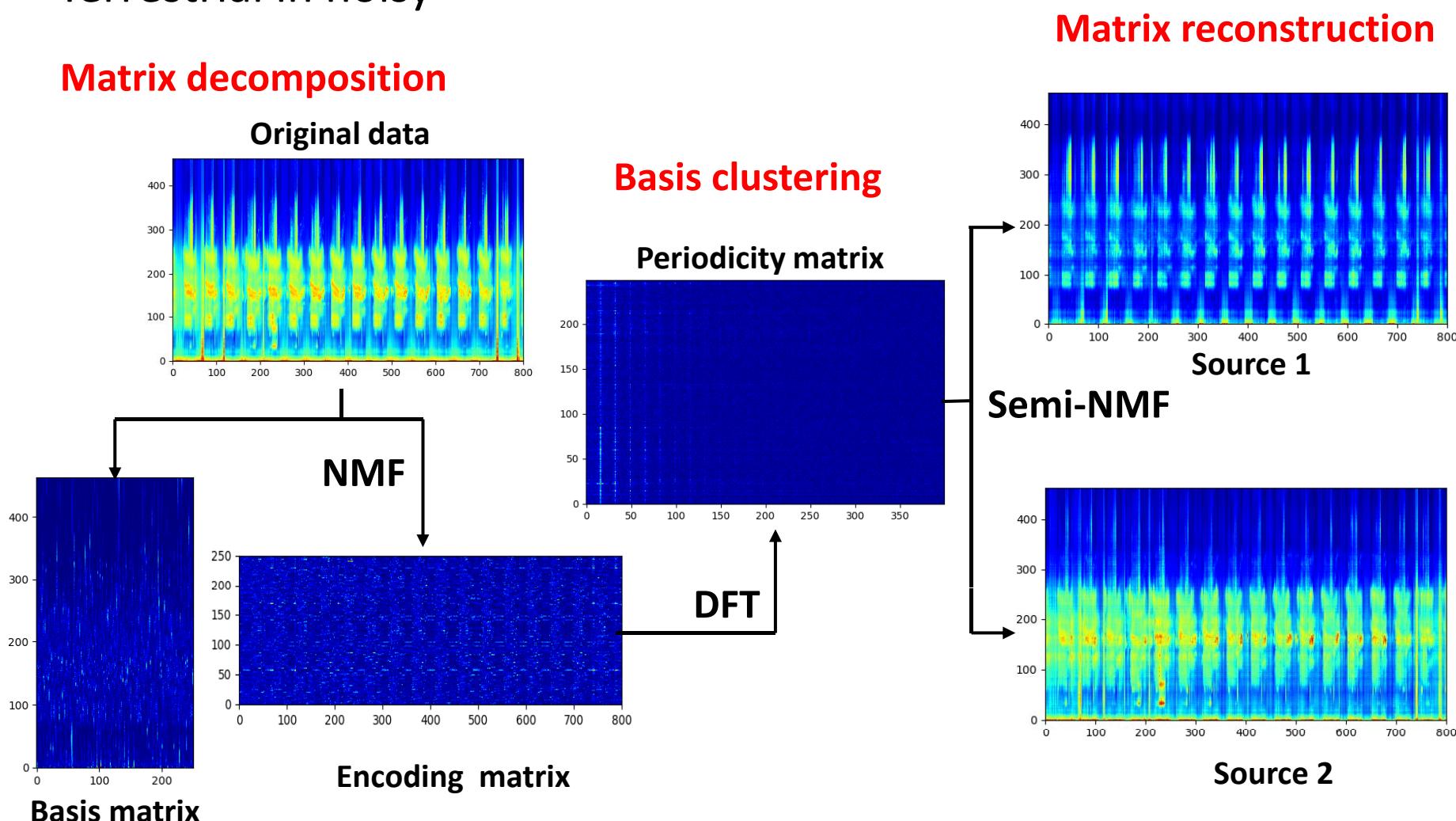
Visualization of long-term spectrogram

- Reduce the redundant information by measuring the median power spectrum



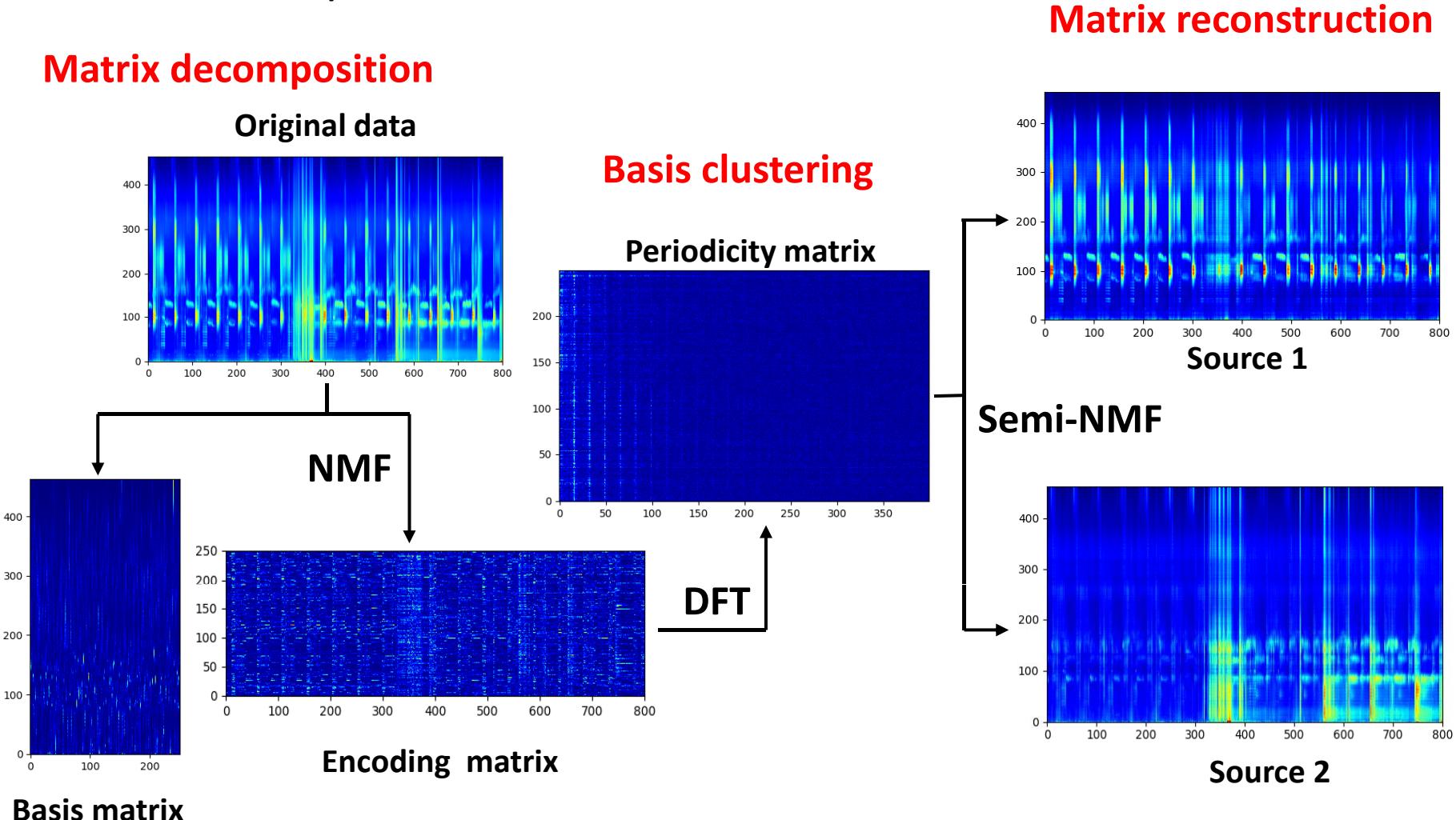
Visualization of PCNMF

- Terrestrial in noisy

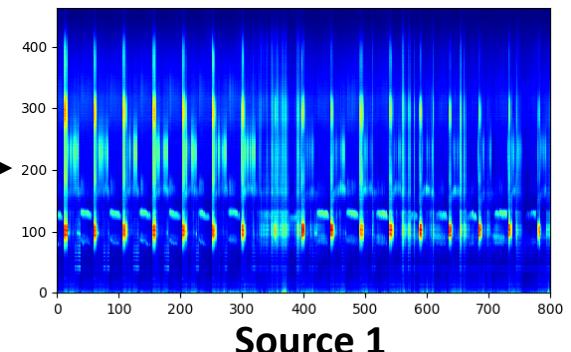


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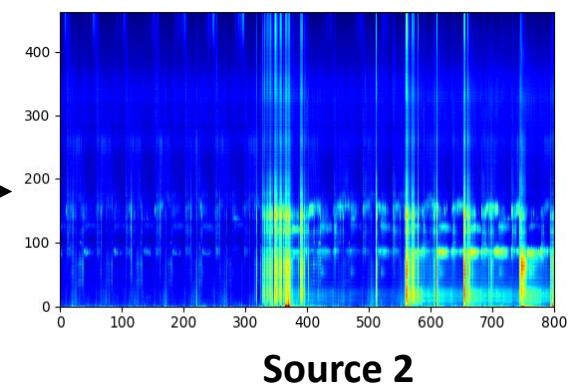
- Terrestrial in quiet



Matrix reconstruction



Semi-NMF

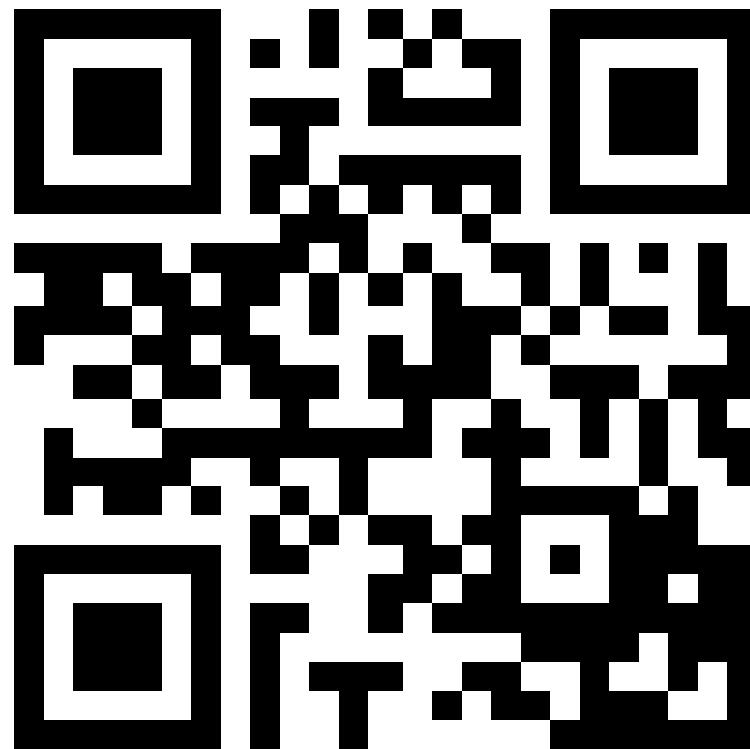


Basis matrix

Encoding matrix

DFT

- Codes are available: goo.gl/4famVt



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