Abstract:

The goal of subset selection algorithms is to uncover the most compact representation of a signal in terms of vectors drawn from a given redundant dictionary of reference signals. Several variations on the subset selection problem have been proposed in the past few years. Preliminary data shows that subset selection may lead to faster methods for acquiring signals in certain applications.

In this talk, I will provide an overview of subset selection techniques and highlight some of their applications in signal acquisition and separation. I will then discuss several extensions of the theory that address challenges in signal classification problems. I will highlight the relative merits and limitations of each proposed extension and compare its performance to that of other classification techniques. The comparisons mostly focus on food quality assessment scenarios.
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