



Value-centered Information Theory for Adaptive Learning, Inference, Tracking, and Exploitation

Wrapup

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What have we learned so far?



- There are important fundamental Vol tradeoffs
 - Model vs sample complexity for fusion (Hero 12, Nadakuditi 13)
 - Computation vs sample complexity for fusion (Jordan 12, Fisher 13)
 - Energy vs geometry in active vision (Soatto 12)
- Computational bottlenecks can be overcome by using good proxies
 - Information theoretic surrogates (Soatto 12, Fisher 12, Cochran 12)
 - Convex and concave-convex proxies (Hero 12-13, Ertin 12, Cochran 13)
 - Submodular myopic strategies (Fisher 12)
- Distributed processing framework can benefit from Vol perspective
 - Second order marginal MLE for SN (Hero 13)
 - Vol-aware censoring for tracking in sensor nets (How 12, Moses 12)
 - Cooperative human-machine interaction (Hero 13)









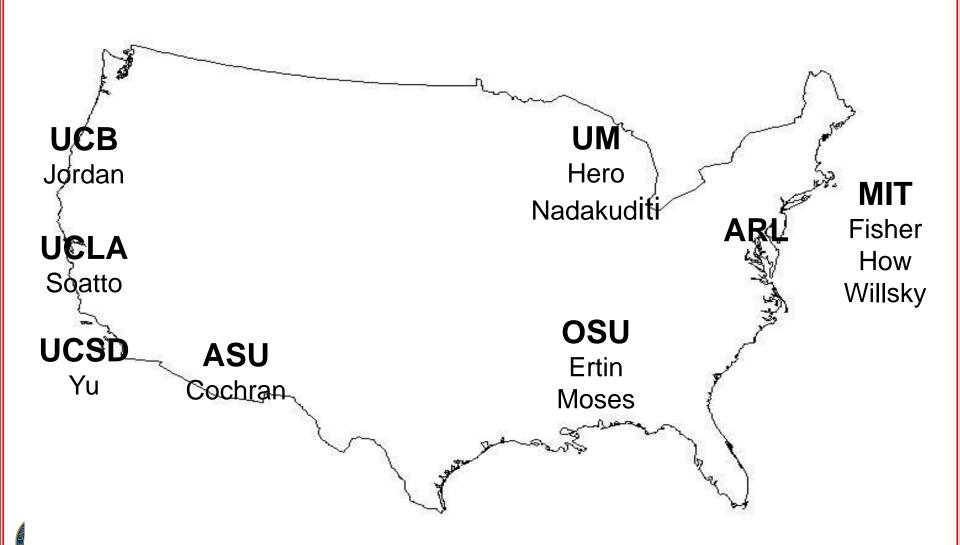






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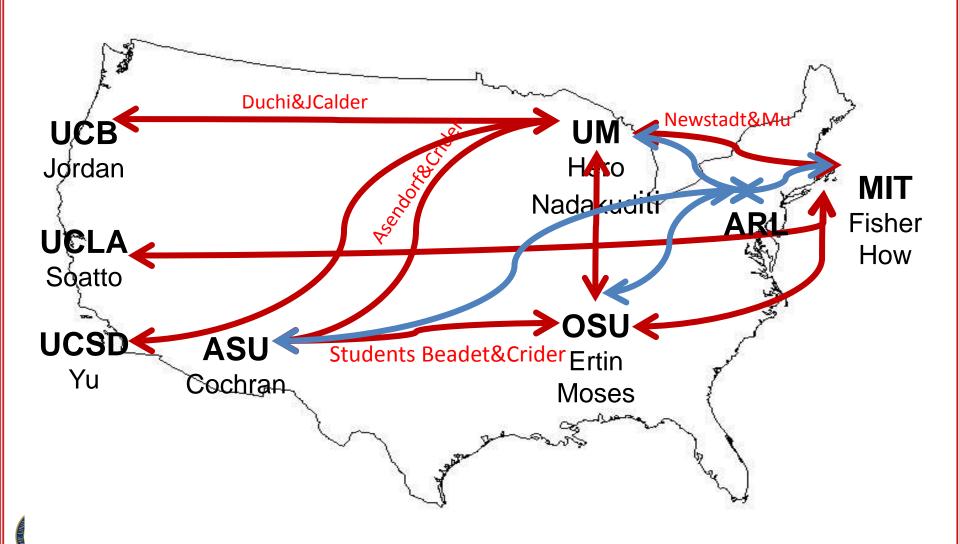






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Education and training in years 1 and 2



- Over 20 Graduate students
- 2 Undergraduate students
- 5 Postdoctoral students
- Summer student internships at federal and associated labs
 - 5 students at ARL
 - 3 students at AFRL
 - 1 student at DSTO (Australia)
- Dissemination to broader community
 - SIEE Workshop in 2012
 - Special sessions at 2012 IEEE SSP and 2013 SPIE DSS















Tech transfer in years 1 and 2



- Cochran, Ertin, Fisher and Hero visited ARL in 2012 and 2013
- Co-PI Hero and student Mark Hsiao have transitioned Pareto web image search engine to ARL in 2013 for evaluation and adaptation into an in-house interface (ARL POC: Brian Sadler).
- Co-PI Fisher has transferred in 2013 implementations of information planning algorithms to DARPA sub-contractor (Systems Technology Research) under the All Source Positioning and Navigation (ASPN) program. The method is being adapted to sensor planning and anomaly detection. STR POC: Joel Douglas.
- Co-PI Hero and student Kristjan Greenewald have worked on transitioning Kronecker sum decompositions to video sources at AFRL over the summer 2013.













Synergistic activities in year 1 and 2



- Service on National/International Advisory Boards
 - Hero serves on NAS Committee on Applied and Theoretical Statistics (CATS).
 - Jordan chaired NAS Committee on Frontiers in Massive Data Analysis
 - Moses serves on NAS Committee on Science and Technology for Defense Warning.
 - Moses serves on NRC ARL TAB for CISD
 - Hero is member of Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) of University Defence Research Collaboration (URDC), U. Edinburgh and Heriot-Watt U. (UK).
- Workshop/session organization on MURI-related topics
 - Hero and Zelnio co-organized special session on Vol at 2013 SPIE DSS Conference
 - Hero and Nadakuditi co-chaired 2012 ARO SIEEE Workshop
 - Fisher and Sadler co-organized 2 sessions on Vol at 2012 IEEE SSP
 - Moses chaired Government Panel at 2012 IEEE SSP















Statistics



- Technical progress under MURI is reported in over 70 peer reviewed publications (https://wiki.eecs.umich.edu/voimuri)
- 10 faculty supported by MURI
- 27 PhD, MS and BS students supported by MURI
- 6 postdoctoral students supported by MURI
- Quality of MURI team's research has been recognized by
 - 1 notable paper award
 - 19 invited talks and distinguished lectures
 - 14 keynote and plenary talks











