Optimum Joint Detection and Estimation: Application to MIMO Radar

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Abstract: We consider the joint detection and parameter estimation problem. By combining the Baysian formulation for estimation with suitable constraints on the detection subproblem we develop optimum one- and two-step test for the joint detection/estimation case. The proposed combined strategies have the very desirable characteristic to allow for the trade-off between detection power and estimation efficiency. Our theoretical developments are then applied to the problem of MIMO radar where we detect a target but also estimate its location. Simulations demonstrate that by using the jointly optimum schemes, we can experience significant improvement in estimation quality with small sacrifice in detection power.

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