

# A deconvolution sound source identification method based on twice weak selection orthogonal matching pursuit

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**Abstract.** The deconvolution sound source identification algorithm based on orthogonal matching pursuit has high identification accuracy and spatial resolution. Still, it has a significant defect in that the sparse degree of sound source needs to be known in advance, so it often has significant limitations in practical engineering applications. In this paper, a deconvolution sound source identification algorithm with twice weak selection orthogonal matching pursuit (TWSOMP-DAMAS) is proposed. It can delete the wrong atoms according to twice weak selection criteria in the iterative process, gradually narrow the range of sound sources, and finally find the location of real sound sources. The simulation results show that the TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can effectively reduce the main lobe width and has a higher spatial resolution than the deconvolution algorithm with sparse constraints (SC-DAMAS). And the deconvolution sound source identification algorithm with orthogonal matching pursuit (OMP-DAMAS) has the same identification effect; The TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm is proved to have good adaptability to noise environment, and the recognition results show that the algorithm has high recognition stability.

**Keywords:** deconvolution, number of sound sources, sound sources localization, TWSOMP-DAMAS.

## 1. Introduction

Deconvolution sound source identification algorithm [1] is a high-resolution sound source identification method based on a planar microphone array. After years of development, deconvolution beamforming technology has become increasingly mature, and it has been widely used in noise source identification of vehicles, airplanes, high-speed trains, and other objects [2-4]. Deconvolution algorithms are mainly divided into three categories. The first category is to improve the spatial resolution of traditional deconvolution and reduce the influence of the main lobe and side lobe width, including non-negative least square algorithm [5], fast iterative contraction threshold algorithm [6], linear programming algorithm [7], etc., all of which can improve the identification effect. The second type is the algorithm based on fast Fourier transform, which is proposed to improve the algorithm's efficiency based on the first type, including DAMAS2[8], FFT-NNLS, FFT-FISTA, and FFT-RL, etc. Compared with the first class, this class of algorithm has an obvious speed advantage [9]. The third kind is the sparse reconstruction algorithm based on the sparsity of spatial sound sources. This kind of algorithm uses the sparse reconstruction algorithm in compressed sensing to solve the convolution, to get the real sound source distribution [10-11]. In 2008, Yardibi et al. proposed a classical sparse constrained deconvolution sound source imaging algorithm [12], which obtained more apparent sound source imaging results by introducing the L1 norm regularization process to deconvolution. To improve the running efficiency of the algorithm, PADOIS et al. put forward the deconvolution sound source imaging algorithm [13] (OMP-DAMAS) with orthogonal matching pursuit in 2015. By solving

the underdetermined equations, the convergence rate can be effectively accelerated, and better sound source identification imaging results obtained. OMP-DAMAS algorithm iterates according to the number of sound sources to get the exact solution. However, in practical engineering applications, it is challenging to meet the prior condition of determining the number of sound sources in advance, thus increasing the uncertainty of practical application.

Based on the above content, this paper proposes a deconvolution sound source identification algorithm based on twice weak selection orthogonal matching pursuit (TWSOMP-DAMAS). Through twice-weak selection, the initial atom selection set is steadily screened out, and the wrong atoms are screened out. After a certain number of iterations, the range of the real sound source is gradually narrowed, so as to find the specific location of the real sound source. The algorithm proposed in this paper can ensure that the algorithm has high computational efficiency, reconstruction accuracy, and spatial resolution under the premise of unknown sound source sparsity.

## 2. Theoretical basis of deconvolution beamforming

The traditional beamforming technology is based on the microphone array receiving the signal value of the sound source, discretizing the sound source plane into a certain number of focusing grid points, and performing reverse focusing on the focusing grid points through the delay summation algorithm, to enhance the output of the real sound source in the direction of the concentrate point and attenuate the production of other focusing points, and then effectively identify the sound source.

After the delay summation, the output at the focal point  $r$  on the sound source surface is:

$$b(r) = \frac{v^T(r)Cv^*(r)}{w^T(r)lw^*(r)}, \quad (1)$$

where  $C$  is the cross spectrum matrix of sound pressure signals received by the microphone array;  $l$  is a matrix in which all elements are 1;  $v(r) = [v_1(r), v_2(r), \dots, v_m(r)]^T$  is the steering vector at the focal grid point  $r$ ;  $w(r) = [|v_1(r)|^2, |v_2(r)|^2, \dots, |v_m(r)|^2]^T$ ;  $T$  and  $*$  represent transposition and conjugation, respectively;  $v_m(r)$  represents the steering vector of the  $m$ th microphone, it is expressed as:

$$v_m(r) = \frac{e^{-jk|r_m - r_n|}}{|r_m - r_n|}. \quad (2)$$

Under the assumption of the incoherent sound source, the sound pressure cross spectrum matrix  $C$  can be expressed as:

$$C = \sum_{r'} q(r')v^*(r')v^T(r'), \quad (3)$$

where  $r'$  is the sound source position vector;  $q(r')$  is the sound source intensity at  $r'$ . Substituting Eq. (3) into Eq. (1) can construct the equation among the sound source intensity, the output of traditional delay summation, and the spread function of array points as follows:

$$\begin{cases} b(r) = \sum_{r'} q(r')psf(r|r'), \\ psf(r|r') = \frac{v^T(r)v^*(r')v^T(r')v^*(r)}{w^T(r)lw^*(r)}, \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where:  $psf(r|r')$  is the array point propagation function, which is the contribution of the unit

sound source intensity point sound source at  $R'$  position to the beamforming at the discrete focal point  $R$ . Calculate the point spread functions of all the focus grid points and the sound source points ( $r|r'$ ), then it can form an  $N \times N$  dimensional point spread function  $A$ . Thus, the following linear equations can be constructed:

$$b = Aq, \tag{5}$$

where:  $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)^H$  is the column vector of  $N$ -dimensional beamforming output, and  $q = (|q_1|^2, |q_2|^2, \dots, |q_n|^2)^H$  is the  $N$ -dimensional column vector composed of the sound source signal to be found on the sound source surface. The traditional deconvolution method adopts the Gaussian Sidel iteration method to solve it iteratively, and SC-DAMAS solves the equations by imposing L1 norm constraint on the strong power distribution of the sound source. OMP-DAMAS uses an orthogonal matching pursuit algorithm to solve it.

### 3. Twice weak selection orthogonal matching pursuit algorithm

#### 3.1. Twice weak selection criterion

To solve the problem of over-reliance on the sparsity of sound source, this paper proposes an improved algorithm of orthogonal matching pursuit algorithm to solve the above linear equations; it can realize the accurate reconstruction of sound source position under the condition that the sparsity of sound source is unknown. Through the first weak selection criteria, the initial atom set is screened, and the wrong atoms are deleted. Under normal circumstances, there are still many wrong atoms after the first weak selection. Therefore, it is necessary to test the reliability of the previously selected atoms, then make the second weak selection to delete the chosen previously wrong atoms from the current atom set, and gradually delete all the false atoms in the form of iteration to get the final result. The following are the criteria for two weak elections.

The first weak selection criterion: the index of the inner product of the searched column is expanded from the original single maximum value to the number satisfying the condition of threshold coefficient  $\alpha$  multiplied by the maximum internal product value.

Second weak selection criterion: arrange the values in the least square solution ( $\hat{\theta}_t$ ) in descending order, and then select all the values before the maximum change rate. The calculation formula of the maximum change rate is:

$$H_e = \frac{|\theta_e - \theta_{e-1}|}{\theta_e}, \tag{6}$$

where  $\theta_e$  is the  $e$  value of the least square solution  $\hat{\theta}_t$  in ascending order.

#### 3.2. TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm specific steps

Given the  $N \times N$  dimensional point spread function matrix  $A$ , the column vector  $b$  of the  $N$  dimensional beamforming output, the number of iterations  $S = 10$ , and the threshold coefficient  $\alpha = 0.8$ .

Step 1: The initial conditions are: residual  $\gamma_0 = b$ , atomic support set  $\Lambda_0 = \emptyset$ , support matrix  $A_0 = 0$ , iteration number  $t = 1$ .

Step 2: Find the index set  $\lambda_t: F_f = \max_{j=1,2,3,\dots,N} |\langle \gamma_{t-1}, a_j^H \rangle|$ , where  $a_j$  is the  $j$ th column of  $A$ ,  $\lambda_t = \{j | F_j \geq \alpha \cdot F_f\}$ .

Step 3: Update atom support set:  $\Lambda_t = \Lambda_{t-1} \cup \lambda_t$ , update support matrix  $A_t = A_{t-1} \cup a_{\lambda}$ , if  $\Lambda_t = \Lambda_{t-1}$  (that is, no new atoms are selected), stop iteration and go to step 9.

Step 4: Find the least square solution of  $b = A_t \theta_t$ :  $\hat{\theta}_t = \arg \min_{\theta_t} \|b - A_t \theta_t\|_2 =$

$$(A_t^T A_t)^T A_t^T b.$$

Step 5: After ranking the values in the least square solution  $\theta_t$  from the largest to the smallest, calculate the change rate between two adjacent values, delete the values with the largest change rate in  $\theta_t$ , delete the column numbers corresponding to these values from the atomic support set  $\Lambda_t$ , and update the atomic support set  $\Lambda_t$  and the support matrix  $A_t$  again.

Step 6: The least square solution of  $b = A_t \theta_t$  after calculating the updated atomic support set:  $\hat{\theta}_t = \arg \min_{\theta_t} \|b - A_t \theta_t\|_2 = (A_t^T A_t)^T A_t^T b$ .

Step 7: Update residual:  $\gamma_t = b - A_t \hat{\theta}_t = y - (A_t^T A_t)^{-1} A_t^T b$ .

Step 8:  $t = t + 1$ , if  $t < S$ , go back to step 2 to continue iteration, if  $t > S$  or residual  $r_t$  reaches accuracy, stop iteration and enter step 9.

Step 9: The reconstructed  $\theta_t$  has a non-zero term at  $\lambda_t$ , the values are  $\theta_t$  obtained in the last iteration, and the rest positions are 0.

#### 4. Numerical simulation

In order to verify the feasibility and advantages of the proposed method, the recognition imaging results of the plane where the sound source is located are simulated and compared with SC-DAMAS algorithm and OMP-DAMAS algorithm for single sound source and double sound source. The influence of signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) on the algorithm identification in this paper is explored, and the accuracy of the algorithm in sound source identification is analyzed. It is assumed that the point sound source in space is located on the focal plane, its coordinates are (0, 0, 0.8), 20 dB white Gaussian noise is added, and an 18-channel microphone array is adopted. The size of the sound source plane is 1 m×1 m, which is evenly divided into 21×21 focal grid points, and the distance between the microphone array and the sound source plane is 0.8 m.

After many simulations, the TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can get a good reconstruction effect when the threshold coefficient parameter  $\alpha$  is 0.8, and the iteration number is 10 times.

##### 4.1. Influence on frequency identification results

SC-DAMAS algorithm, OMP-DAMAS algorithm, and TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm are used to locate the sound source at a single sound source frequency of 2500 Hz and a double sound source frequency of 5000 Hz, respectively, and the signal-to-noise ratio is 20 dB. The results are shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

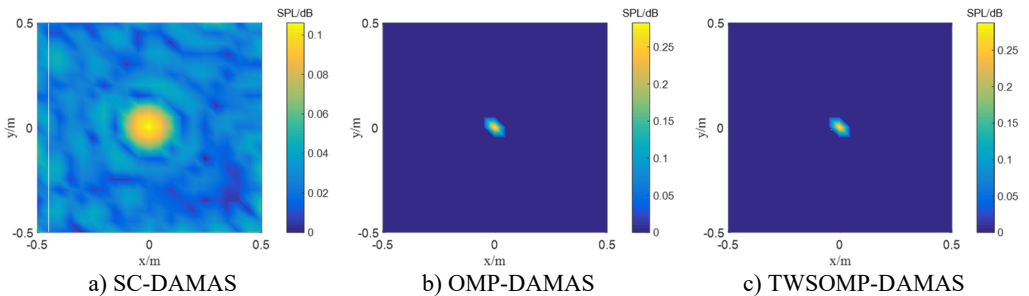


Fig. 1. The location results of 2500 Hz sound source

Fig. 1 shows the result of single sound source identification at 2500 Hz. SC-DAMAS algorithm, OMP-DAMAS algorithm, and TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can accurately identify the sound source position, but the identification result of SC-DAMAS algorithm has a large main lobe. TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can effectively reduce the width of the main lobe under the condition of unknown sound source sparsity, ensuring the same high identification accuracy and spatial resolution as OMP-DAMAS algorithm. Fig. 2 shows the identification results of 5000 Hz

double sound sources. SC-DAMAS algorithm can't accurately identify the main sound source, and there are many pseudo-sound sources in the non-sound source position. On the contrary, OMP-DAMAS algorithm and TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can accurately locate the two sound sources, and TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can still achieve high-precision identification when the number of sound sources is unknown, which shows the advantages of TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm.

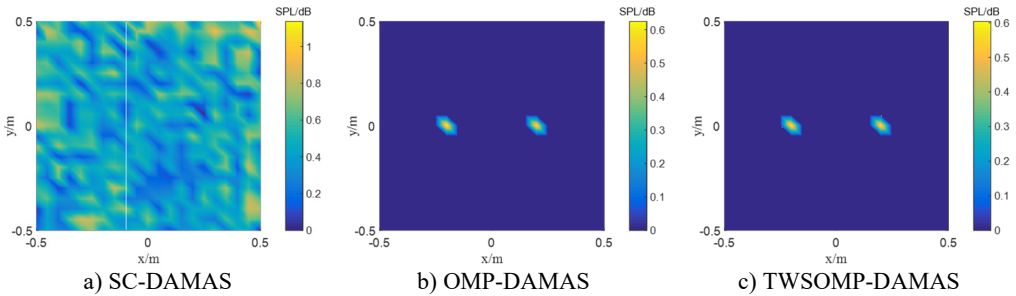


Fig. 2. The location results of 5000 Hz sound source

#### 4.2. Robustness verification of the algorithm

To further verify the influence of signal-to-noise ratio on TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm, the frequency is 3500 Hz, and the distance between the microphone array and the focal plane of the sound source is 0.8 m. The recognition results of single sound source under the conditions of 15 dB, 5 dB, and 0 dB are studied.

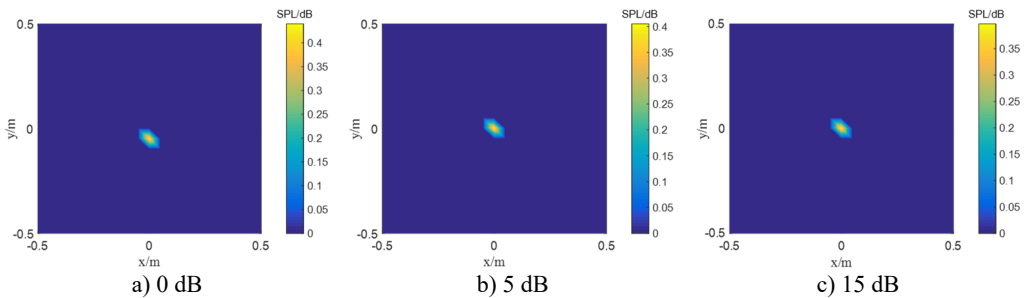


Fig. 3. Results of single sound source localization

Fig. 3 shows the sound source identification results with signal-to-noise ratios of 0 dB, 5 dB and 15 dB, respectively. When the signal-to-noise ratio is 5 dB and 15 dB, the TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can accurately locate the sound source. However, as the signal-to-noise ratio decreases to 0 dB, the position of the sound source identified by TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm shifts downward by one grid compared with the position of the real sound source, which indicates that TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm will be affected by excessive noise.

#### 4.3. Accuracy analysis of recognition results

In order to verify the accuracy and stability of TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm in identifying the sound source position, the frequency of a single sound source is 4500 Hz, the measuring surface is an 18-channel microphone array, the distance from the microphone array to the focus surface of the sound source is 0.8 m, and the signal-to-noise ratio is 20 dB. The results are shown in the Fig. 4.

Fig. 4 shows the recognition results of randomly assigning sound sources to any position on the sound source surface. It can be seen that TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm has extremely high

recognition stability, and it can accurately recognize the sound source positions in the process of recognizing 100 sound sources at any position.

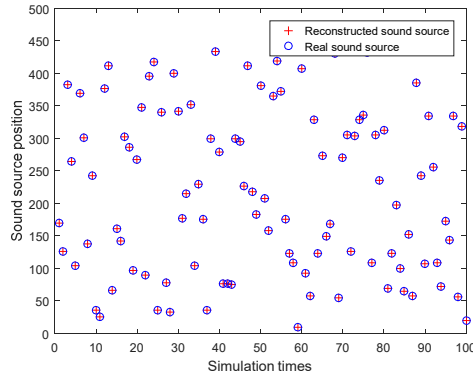


Fig. 4. Results of single sound source localization

## 5. Conclusions

TSWOMP-DAMAS algorithm solves the precondition of over-reliance on the sparsity of sound source, so it has greater advantages in practical engineering application. The simulation results show that when the frequency is the same, TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can accurately locate single and double sound sources under the premise that the sparsity of sound sources is unknown. Compared with SC-DAMAS algorithm, TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm can effectively reduce sidelobe, improve spatial resolution and ensure the same reconstruction accuracy as OMP-DAMAS algorithm. The TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm proposed in this paper has high recognition accuracy and good adaptability to noise when the frequency is 3500 Hz and the signal-to-noise ratio is greater than 0 dB. In 100 times of sound source identification at random positions, this algorithm can accurately identify the sound source position, which proves that the TWSOMP-DAMAS algorithm has good stability and high accuracy.

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