Research in the Communication and Signal Processing area focuses on issues regarding the efficient processing and transmission of multimedia data. Some examples of sources of data include sound, images, and a large variety of sensor output signals. Much of modern statistical and adaptive signal processing relies on learning algorithms of one form or another. However, enormous amounts of audio, video and text data are widely generated and stored by modern connected devices. Hence, there is a need for efficient ML algorithms in terms of accuracy and speed and this becomes of crucial importance for efficient information processing. At a practical level, machine learning and signal processing are frequently combined. The most common classical relationship is signal processing as a pre-processing step before elaborated machine learning. However, the emergence of deep learning has challenged this traditional sequential relationship, as hierarchical representations are now frequently directly learned from raw input signals. Modern methods tightly integrate machine learning and signal processing into unified models, to reach signal understanding. This significant combination has the potential to alleviate several digital signal processing and communication challenges: ranging from computational efficiency, fast online adaptation and learning with limited supervision, data sparsity to the ability of the corresponding algorithms to combine heterogeneous information, to incorporate prior knowledge about the problem, or to efficiently and friendly interact with the user. Semi- and weakly-supervised learning methods have proved to significantly improve the performance when only a small amount of annotated data is available and lately self-supervision has led to breakthroughs in learning from large non-annotated corpuses. Correlation analysis, transfer learning, and multi-task learning have demonstrated their potential in integrating severely heterogeneous data. Sparse representations and clustering approaches have been exploited in de-noising and selecting exemplary samples and prototypes from the raw data.

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