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# Local Block Multilayer Sparse Extreme Learning Machine for Effective Feature Extraction and Classification of Hyperspectral Images

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Abstract—Although Extreme Learning Machines (ELM) have been successfully applied for the classification of hyperspectral images (HSIs), they still suffer from three main drawbacks. These include: 1) Ineffective feature extraction in HSIs due to a single hidden layer neuron network used; 2) ill-posed problems caused by the random input weights and biases; and 3) lack of spatial information for HSIs classification. To tackle the first problem, we construct a multilayer ELM for effective feature extraction from HSIs. The sparse representation is adopted with the multilayer ELM to tackle the ill-posed problem of ELM, which can be solved by the alternative direction method of multipliers (ADMM). This has resulted in the proposed multilayer sparse ELM (MSELM) model. Considering that the neighboring pixels are more likely from the same class, a local block extension is introduced for MSELM to extract the local spatial information, leading to the local block MSELM (LBMSLM). The loopy belief propagation (LBP) is also applied to the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM approaches to further utilize the rich spectral and spatial information for improving the classification. Experimental results show that the proposed methods have outperformed the ELM and other state-of-the-art approaches.

*Index Terms*—Extreme learning machine (ELM); hyperspectral images (HSI); local block multilayer sparse ELM (LBMSELM); loopy belief propagation (LBP); alternative direction method of multipliers (ADMM).

#### I. INTRODUCTION

In the last 1-2 decades, hyperspectral images (HSIs) have been widely and successfully applied in many application fields, such as crop analysis, geological research, environment mapping and the geology [1-4]. A pixel in HSIs is a high-dimensional vector which contains the spectral responses from various spectral bands. Depending on the specific spectral range, the rich spectral information in HSIs allows to classify and identify from each pixel with certain physical and chemical parameters, such as temperature, moisture and chemical components [5]. Although relatively good results of classification have been reported, mainly using supervised learning, accurate classification of HSI remains a challenging problem due to the Hughes phenomenon [6], which is caused by the ratio of the large number of spectral bands and limited samples of training pixels. Besides, the materials from the same category may have different spectral features whilst different classes of samples may share similar spectral characteristic due to noise of the sensors and environments [7].

To tackle these problems, a number of state-of-the-art algorithms have been proposed, such as the support vector machine [8] (SVM), the multi-kernel classification [9] (MK), the sparse multinomial logistic regression [10-11] and the extreme learning machine [12-13] (ELM). Besides, a number of methods have also been proposed for feature extraction, such as principal component analysis (PCA) and its variations [14-16], segmented auto-encoder [17] and singular spectrum analysis (SSA) [18-20]. Among these algorithms, the ELM has attracted much attention in terms of its good performance.

ELM has been proven a promise algorithm in many applications due to its fast implementation, straightforward solution and strong generalization capability [13, 21-23]. In [24-25], a theoretical assessment has shown the feasible performance of ELM. In [26], a regularized ELM has been proposed for regression with missing data. In [27], the ELM auto-encoder has been proposed for dimension reduction and feature extraction. ELM has also been applied for HSIs classification [28-32], for example, in [28-29], local binary patterns were used for feature extraction, followed by ELM for classification. In [30-31], ELM was employed for classification with features extracted using extended morphological profiles and bilateral filtering, respectively. In [32], an optimized extreme learning machine (OELM) was proposed for urban land cover classification in HSIs. Although ELM has achieved good performance in classification of HSI to some extent, three major deficiencies of ELM can be depicted as follows: i) Ineffective feature extraction due to its architecture of a single hidden layer feedforward neuron network; ii) the ill-posed problem of ELM caused by the random input weight and bias of ELM; and iii) lack of capability of extracting the rich spatial

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Fig. 1. Comparison of frameworks of the ELM (a), the proposed MSELM (b) and the proposed LBMSELM (c).

information of HSIs. To tackle these three problems, we propose a multilayer sparse ELM (MSELM) and a further extended local block MSELM (LBMSELM) for effective feature extraction and classification of HSIs. Fig. 1 shows the workflows of the original ELM, and the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM algorithms for comparison.

First, feature extraction is crucial for effective classification of HSIs. To this end, we aim to design a multilayer ELM to extract the efficient feature in order to realize the high classification accuracies. For the ill-posed problem caused by the random weights and bias, we impose the sparse representation to ELM. We construct the optimization function to realize the multilayer sparse ELM (MSELM) which can be solved by the alternative direction method of multiplier (ADMM) [33]. Details will be discussed in Section III-A.

Second, due to the homogenous regions in HSIs where the neighborhood pixels within the regions consist of the same class materials or share similar spectral characteristics [34], neighboring pixels in spatial domain more likely belong to the same class [31]. In view of this, we further introduce the spatial information to the proposed MSELM to reduce the classification error. A local block area for each training pixel of HSIs is constructed and imposed to the optimization problem of the proposed MSELM in order to incorporate the spectral and spatial information in HSIs, namely local block MSELM (LBMSELM). More details can be found in Section III-B.

The main contributions of this paper can be summarized as follows. First, we design a new ELM-based algorithm, called MSELM, for efficient feature extraction of HSIs and solving the ill-posed problem of ELM caused by random weights and bias. Second, we develop the proposed MSELM in order to reveal the local neighboring information in HSIs, namely LBMSELM. Comprehensive experiments have fully demonstrated the efficacy of the proposed methodologies. The rest of this paper is organized as follows. Section II describes the background of ELM. In Section III, the proposed frameworks are presented. The experiment results and analysis are given in Section IV. Section V concludes this paper with some remarks and suggestions.

# II. EXTREME LEARNING MACHINE (ELM)

ELM is a generalized single layer feedforward neural network, where the weight vector and bias are randomly generated at the beginning of the learning process [32, 35]. Given N training samples  $X \equiv (x_1; x_2; ...; x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  of a HSI, where d denotes the number of spectral bands, the corresponding labels of the given N training samples are denoted by  $Y = (y_1; y_2; ...; y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ , where M is the number of classes in the HSI that needs to be classified. If the *i*-th training sample belongs to the *m*-th class, we have

$$y_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1, & j = m, \\ 0, & otherwise. \end{cases}$$
(1)

The ELM model with L hidden neurons and the activation function H(x) [29] can be expressed as follows:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{L} \beta_j H(w_j^T * x_i + b_j) = y_i, \ i=1,2,...,N$$
(2)

where  $w_j$  and  $b_j$  represent the weight vector and bias between input layer and hidden layer of ELM, respectively, and  $\beta_j$  is the weight vector from the hidden layer to the output layer.  $H(w_j x_i + b_j)$  is the output of the *j*-th hidden neuron corresponding to the input sample  $x_i$ .

The solution of  $\beta$  in Eq. (2) can be directly obtained by:

$$\beta = H^{\dagger}Y \tag{3}$$

where  $\beta = [\beta_1, \beta_2, ..., \beta_M] \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times M}$ , and  $H^{\dagger}$  is the Moore-Penrose generalized inverse of matrix H [36]. That is  $H^{\dagger} = H^T (HH^T)^{-1}$  or  $H^{\dagger} = (H^T H)^{-1} H^T$  and

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} h(w_1, b_1, x_1) & \cdots & h(w_1, b_1, x_N) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h(w_L, b_L, x_1) & \cdots & h(w_L, b_L, x_N) \end{bmatrix}$$
(4)

Although ELM has many merits, it still has three main drawbacks: 1) As a single hidden layer feedforward neural network, ELM can't effectively extract the features for classification of HSIs; 2) The random weights and bias of ELM will cause the ill-posed problem; and 3) The ELM can't extract the useful spatial information for HSI classification hence the performance is constrained. To tackle these drawbacks, we propose the local block multilayer sparse extreme learning machine (LBMSELM) as detailed in the next section.

#### **III. THE PROPOSED FRAMEWORK**

# A. Multilayer Sparse Extreme Learning Machine (MSELM)

Given N training samples  $X \equiv (x_1; x_2; ...; x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$ and the corresponding labels  $Y = (y_1; y_2; ...; y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ , the feature extraction problem can be formulated as:

$$X = X^* + \psi \tag{5}$$

where  $X^* = (x_1^*, x_2^*, ..., x_N^*) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  is the features extracted from X, and  $\Psi$  is the redundancy feature of X. Then we can rewrite Eq. (5) as follows:

$$X = X\beta^* + \psi \tag{6}$$

where  $\beta^* = (\beta_1^*, \beta_2^*, ..., \beta_d^*) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ . From Eq. (6), we can see that we aim to find a term  $\beta^*$  to extract features from X, i.e.  $X^* = X \beta^*$ . Based on ELM, an optimization problem can be constructed to minimize the redundancy feature and classification error for improved classification as defined by:

$$\min_{\beta,\beta^*} \| X - X\beta^* \|_F^2 + \| Y - {H^*}^T \beta \|_F^2$$
(7)

$$H^{*} = [H^{*}(x_{1}^{*}), H^{*}(x_{2}^{*}), ..., H^{*}(x_{N}^{*})] = \begin{bmatrix} h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{N}^{*}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{N}^{*}) \end{bmatrix}$$
(8)

where *T* is the matrix transpose;  $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2, ..., \beta_M) \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times M}$ .

Our aim is to construct a multilayer sparse extreme learning machine (MSELM) to extract effective features and solve the ill-posed problem of ELM that may lead to relatively low classification accuracy. According to Bartlett's generalization theory [37], the smaller weight will result in less training error of the training model. To this end, the optimization model of MSELM is rewritten as:

$$\min_{(\beta,\beta^{*})} \frac{1}{2} \| \beta^{*} \|_{F}^{2} + \frac{C}{2} \| \psi_{i} \|_{2}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} \| Y - H^{*T} \beta \|_{F}^{2} + \lambda \| \beta \|_{1}$$

$$s.t. x_{i} - x_{i} \beta^{*} = \psi_{i}; i=1,2,..N$$
(9)

where  $\psi = (\psi_1; \psi_2; ...; \psi_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$ . As seen in Eq. (9), the sparse representation is imposed to ELM, and the variable

splitting principle [38] is adopted which consists a procedure to create new variables. The model in Eq. (9) is equal to

$$\min_{(\beta,\beta^*,v)} \frac{1}{2} \| \beta^* \|_F^2 + \frac{C}{2} \| \psi_i \|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \| Y - H^{*T}\beta \|_F^2 + \lambda \| v \|_1$$
s.t.  $x_i^* - x_i\beta^* = \psi_i; v = \beta; i = 1, 2, .. N$  (10)

Applying the augmented Lagrangian [39] to Eq. (10), the above MSELM model can be solved by ADMM algorithms [33] as follows.

$$\beta^{*} = \arg \min_{\beta^{*}} \{ \frac{1}{2} \parallel \beta^{*} \parallel_{F}^{2} + C/2 \sum_{i=1}^{N} \parallel \psi_{i} \parallel_{2}^{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{d} \gamma_{i,m} (x_{i} - x_{i}\beta^{*} - \psi_{i}) \}$$
(11)  
$$\beta^{t+1} = \arg \min_{\beta} \{ \frac{1}{2} \parallel Y - H^{*T}\beta \parallel_{F}^{2} + \frac{\lambda^{*}}{2} \parallel \beta - v^{t} - d^{t} \parallel_{F}^{2} \}$$

$$v^{t+1} = \arg\min_{v} \{ \lambda \parallel v \parallel_{1} + \frac{\lambda^{*}}{2} \parallel \beta^{t+1} - v - d^{t} \parallel_{F}^{2} \}$$
(13)

$$d^{t+1} = d^t - (\beta^{t+1} - \nu^{t+1}) \tag{14}$$

where  $\gamma = [\gamma_1; \gamma_2; ...; \gamma_N] \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  is the Lagrange multiplies.  $\beta^*$  can be obtained by the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) theory [40], that is to say:

$$\beta^* = X^T (\frac{I_2}{c} + XX^T)^{-1} X \tag{15}$$

 $\beta^{t+1}$  can be solved by the first-order derivation:

$$\beta^{t+1} = \left(H^* H^{*T} + \lambda^* I\right)^{-1} (H^* Y + \lambda^* (v^t + d^t))$$
(16)

The  $v^{t+1}$  can be solved by a simple soft-threshold [38] as:

$$v^{t+1} = soft(\beta^{t+1} - d^t, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^*})$$
(17)

where *t* is the index of iterations;  $\lambda$  and  $\lambda^*$  are all positive values; *I* is an identity matrix, whose dimension is corresponding to the dimension of H<sup>\*</sup>H<sup>\*T</sup>. We set  $\lambda^* = 10\lambda$  for easy implementation and parameter tuning.

Let  $\hat{X} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, ..., \hat{x}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  be the two-dimensional (2-D) representation of *n* testing samples in a given HSI, the test process of the proposed MSELM can be achieved by:

$$f(\hat{x}_i) = H^*(\hat{x}_i^*)\beta = H^*(\hat{x}_i^*)^T (H^* H^{*T} + \lambda^* I)^{-1}$$
$$(H^* Y + \lambda^* (\nu + d)) \quad i = 1, 2, ..., n,$$
(18)

where  $H^*(\hat{x}_i^*) = [h^*(w_1, b_1, \hat{x}_i\beta^*), \dots, h^*(w_L, b_L, \hat{x}_i\beta^*)]^T$  and

 $\hat{x}_i^* = \hat{x}_i \beta^*$ . The pseudocodes for MSELM are given in Algorithm 1.

#### B. Local Block MSELM (LBMSELM)

For the 2-D representation of an HSI  $\hat{X} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, ..., \hat{x}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ , the features extracted from  $\hat{X}$  can be represented by:

$$\hat{X}^* = \hat{X}\beta^* = (\hat{x}_1^*; \ \hat{x}_2^*; \dots; \hat{x}_n^*) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$$
(19)

Let  $X^* = (x_1^*; x_2^*; ...; x_N^*) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  be the *N* training samples from  $\hat{X}^*$  and  $Y = (y_1; y_2; ...; y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$  denote their corresponding labels. As the spatially neighboring pixels more likely belong to the same class [41-44], we construct the spatial local block area of the training samples as  $X_{SS}^* =$   $x_1^*; x_2^*; \dots; x_N^*; x_{11}^*; x_{21}^*; \dots; x_{N1}^*; \dots; x_{1p}^*; x_{2p}^*; \dots; x_{Np}^*) \in$ 

 $R^{(p+1)N \times d}$ , where *p* denotes the number of the pixels used in the neighborhoods of each training pixel. As such, the training model of LBMSELM can be defined by:

$$\beta_{SS}^{t+1} = \left(H_{SS}^* H_{SS}^{*T} + \lambda^* I\right)^{-1} \left(H_{SS}^* Y^* + \lambda^* (v_{SS}^t + d_{SS}^t)\right) \quad (20)$$

$$v_{SS}^{t+1} = \operatorname{soft}(\beta_{SS}^{t+1} - d_{SS}^t, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^*})$$
(21)

$$d_{SS}^{t+1} = d_{SS}^t - (\beta_{SS}^{t+1} - \nu_{SS}^{t+1})$$
(22)

where *I* is an identity matrix and its dimension depends on the dimension of  $H_{SS}^* H_{SS}^{*T}$ ,  $Y^* = (Y, Y, ..., Y) \in R^{(p+1)N \times M}$ , and  $H_{SS}^* \in R^{L \times (p+1)N}$  is given by

$$H_{SS}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{Np}^{*}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{Np}^{*}) \end{bmatrix}$$
(23)

The testing process of the proposed LBMSELM is given by:

$$f(\hat{x}_{i}) = H_{SS}^{*}(\hat{x}_{i}^{*})^{T}\beta_{SS} = H_{SS}^{*}(\hat{x}_{i}^{*})^{T} \left(H_{SS}^{*}H_{SS}^{*T} + \lambda^{*}I\right)^{-1}$$
$$(H_{SS}^{*}Y^{*} + \lambda^{*}(v_{SS} + d_{SS})), \quad i=1,2,..,n,$$
(24)

where  $H_{SS}^*(\hat{x}_i^*) = [h^*(w_1, b_1, \hat{x}_i^*), \dots, h^*(w_L, b_L, \hat{x}_i^*)]^T$ .

Two cases are considered, i.e. p = 4 and p = 8, corresponding to 4-neighbors and 8-neighbors used in a 3x3 spatial window, respectively. The derived LBMSELM approaches are namely LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8, where the pseudocodes of the LBMSELM algorithm are given in Algorithm 2.

# Algorithm 1: The MSELM

Input: The training sample pairs  $X \equiv (x_1; x_2; ...; x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  and  $Y = (y_1; y_2; ...; y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ , where N is the number of training samples; the parameters  $\lambda$ , L, C, d = 0.

#### Training phase:

 $H(\bullet)$ : The sigmoid function.

- $\beta$ : The output weight from the third layer to output layer.
- 1: Solve optimization problem to obtain the feature extraction parameter:

$$\beta^* = \arg\min_{\beta^*} \{\frac{1}{2} \| \beta^* \|_F^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \| \psi_i \|_2^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^a \gamma_{i,m} (x_i - x_i \beta^* - \psi_i) \}$$
$$\implies \beta^* \leftarrow X^T (\frac{I_2}{C} + XX^T)^{-1} X$$

- 2: Obtain the effective feature:  $X^* \leftarrow X\beta^*$ ;
- 3: Randomly generate input weights  $\{w_1, \dots, w_L\}$  and bias  $\{b_1, \dots, b_L\}$ , then calculate the third layer matrix  $H(x_i^*) = [H_1(w_1 * x_i^* + b_1), \dots, H_L(w_L * x_i^* + b_L)]_{L \times 1}^T$
- 4: Calculate the preliminary weight for  $\beta$  from third layer to output layer:  $\beta = (H^*)^{\dagger}Y^T$ 5: Based on the sparse representation via variable splitting and augmented Lagrangian. 5.1 Set t=0. 5.2  $\beta^{t+1} = \arg \min_{\beta} \{\frac{1}{2} \parallel Y - H^{*T}\beta \parallel_F^2 + \frac{\lambda^*}{2} \parallel \beta - v^t - d^t \parallel_F^2 \}$   $\Rightarrow \beta^{t+1} \leftarrow (H^*H^{*T} + \lambda^*I)^{-1}(H^*Y + \lambda^*(v^t + d^t))$ 5.2  $v^{t+1} = \arg \min_{v} \{\lambda \parallel v \parallel_1 + \frac{\lambda^*}{2} \parallel \beta^{t+1} - v - d^t \parallel_F^2 \}$   $\Rightarrow v^{t+1} \leftarrow soft(\beta^{t+1} - d^t, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^*})$ 5.3  $d^{t+1} \leftarrow d^t - (\beta^{t+1} - v^{t+1})$ 5.4 Increase t to t+1; 5.5 Quit the algorithm if the stopping criterion is met; otherwise, go back to Step 5.2. **Prediction phase:** Input:  $\hat{X} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, ..., \hat{x}_n) \in R^{n \times d}$

# Input: $X = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ 1: Extract the effective features: $\hat{x}_i^* = \hat{x}_i \beta^*$ 2: Calculate the output layer matrix: $H^*(\hat{x}_i^*) = [h^*(w_1 \hat{x}_i^* + b_1), ..., h^*(w_L \hat{x}_i^* + b_L)]_{L \times 1}^T$ ; i=1,...,n. 3: $f(\hat{x}_i) = H^*(\hat{x}_i^*)\beta = H^*(\hat{x}_i^*)^T (H^*H^{*T} + \lambda^*I)^{-1} (H^*Y + \lambda^*(v + d))$ , i=1,2,...,n

# **Algorithm 2: The LBMSELM**

Input: The training sample pairs  $X \equiv (x_1; x_2; ...; x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times d}$  and  $Y = (y_1; y_2; ...; y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times M}$ , where N is the number of training samples; the parameters  $\lambda$ , L, C,  $d_{SS} = 0$ .

#### Training phase:

 $H(\bullet)$ : The sigmoid function.

 $\beta$ : The output weight from the third layer to output layer. 1: Solve optimization problem to obtain the feature extraction parameter:  $\beta^* = \arg \min_{\beta^*} \{ \frac{1}{2} \parallel \beta^* \parallel_F^2 + \frac{C}{2} \sum_{i=1}^N \parallel \psi_i \parallel_2^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^d \gamma_{i,m} (x_i - x_i \beta^* - \psi_i) \}$  $\Rightarrow \beta^* \leftarrow X^T (\frac{I_2}{C} + XX^T)^{-1} X$ 2: Obtain the effective feature:  $X^* \leftarrow X\beta^*$ ; 3. Construct the local block to obtain the spectral-spatial (SS) information. 
$$\begin{split} X^*_{SS} &= (x^*_1; \; x^*_2; \ldots; x^*_N; x^*_{11}; \; x^*_{21}; \ldots; x^*_{N1}; \ldots; x^*_{1p}; \; x^*_{2p}; \ldots; x^*_{Np} \;) \in R^{(p+1)N \times d} \\ Y^* &= (Y, Y, \ldots, Y) \in R^{(p+1)N \times M} \end{split}$$
4: Randomly generate input weights  $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$  and bias  $\{b_1, \dots, b_k\}$ , then calculate the fourth layer matrix  $H_{SS}^{*} = \begin{bmatrix} h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{1}, b_{1}, x_{Np}^{*}) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{1}^{*}) & \cdots & h^{*}(w_{L}, b_{L}, x_{Np}^{*}) \end{bmatrix} \in R^{L \times (p+1)N}$ 5: Calculate the preliminary weight for  $\beta$  from fourth layer to output layer:  $\beta_{SS} = (H_{SS}^*)^{\dagger} Y^{*T}$ 6: Based on the sparse representation via variable splitting and augmented Lagrangian. 6.1 Set t=0. 6.2  $\beta_{SS}^{t+1} = \arg \min_{\rho} \{\frac{1}{2} \parallel Y - H_{SS}^* \beta_{SS} \parallel_F^2 + \frac{\lambda^*}{2} \parallel \beta_{SS} - v_{SS}^t - d_{SS}^t \parallel_F^2 \}$  $\Rightarrow \beta_{SS}^{t+1} \leftarrow \left(H_{SS}^* H_{SS}^{*T} + \lambda^* I\right)^{-1} (H_{SS}^* Y^* + \lambda^* (v_{SS}^t + d_{SS}^t))$ 6.2  $v_{SS}^{t+1} = \arg \min_{v} \{\lambda \parallel v \parallel_1 + \frac{\lambda^*}{2} \parallel \beta_{SS}^{t+1} - v - d_{SS}^t \parallel_F^2 \}$  $\Rightarrow v_{SS}^{t+1} \leftarrow soft(\beta_{SS}^{t+1} - d_{SS}^t, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda^*})$  $6.3 \; d_{SS}^{t+1} \leftarrow d_{SS}^t - (\beta_{SS}^{t+1} - \nu_{SS}^{t+1})$ 6.4 Increase t to t+1; 6.5 Quit the algorithm if the stopping criterion is met; otherwise, go back to Step 6.2. **Prediction phase:** Input:  $\hat{X} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, ..., \hat{x}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ 1: Feature extraction:  $\hat{x}_i^* = \hat{x}_i \beta^*$ 2: Calculate the output layer matrix  $H_{SS}^{*}(\hat{x}_{i}^{*}) = [h^{*}(w_{1}\hat{x}_{i}^{*} + b_{1}), \dots, h^{*}(w_{L}\hat{x}_{i}^{*} + b_{L})]_{L\times 1}^{T} \text{ i=1,...,n.}$  $3: f(\hat{x}_i) = H_{SS}^*(\hat{x}_i^*)^T \beta_{SS} = H_{SS}^*(\hat{x}_i^*)^T (H_{SS}^* H_{SS}^{*T} + \lambda^* I)^{-1} (H_{SS}^* Y^* + \lambda^* (v_{SS} + d_{SS}))$ 

# C. Extending LBMSELM with Loopy Belief Propagation: LBMSELM-LBP

The proposed LBMSELM can efficiently extract the features and spatial information in HSIs, as well as solve the ill-posed problem of ELM caused by random weights and biases. Although LBMSELM can improve the classification accuracy of conventional ELM, the classification results can be further refined by utilizing the spectral and spatial information [45] of HSIs. Given the output of the proposed LBMSELM, we transform it to the following equation:

$$p_{LBMSELM}(f(\hat{x}_{i}) = m/\hat{x}_{i}, \beta_{SS}) = \frac{exp(f_{m}(\hat{x}_{i}))}{\sum_{m=1}^{M} exp(f_{m}(\hat{x}_{i}))}$$
(25)

LBP [46-47] aims to compute the maximum a posterior (MAP) [:

$$\min_{f(\hat{x}_i)} \sum_{i \in \hat{X}} -\log p_{LBMSELM}(f(\hat{x}_i)/\hat{x}_i, \beta_{SS}) - \mu \sum_{(i,j) \in Cl} \delta(f(\hat{x}_i) - f(\hat{x}_j))$$
(26)

where  $\mu$  is a tunable parameter to control the degree of smoothness, *Cl* is a set of labels which are neighbors of each

other, Z is a normalizing constant and  $\delta$  is the unit impulse function [41, 48].

Since computing the marginal density of Eq. (26) is very difficult [41], we adopt the LBP to estimate the MPM solution. LBP introduces messages between hidden nodes in the MRF model [41]. Fig. 2 shows the MRF model, where each node *i* represents a random variable. In the graphical example of MRF,  $\psi_{ij}(f(\hat{x}_i), f(\hat{x}_j)) = p_{LBMSELM}(f(\hat{x}_i), f(\hat{x}_j))$  denotes the interaction potential that penalizes every dissimilar pair of neighboring labels, and  $\varphi_i(f(\hat{x}_i), \hat{x}_i) = p_{LBMSELM}(f(\hat{x}_i)/\hat{x}_i)$  is the association potential of  $f(\hat{x}_i)$  given evidence of  $\hat{x}_i$ . Fig. 3 illustrates a graphical example of LBP. The message sent from the node *i* to its neighboring node  $j \in N(i)$ , can be given by:

$$m_{ij}^{t}\left(f\left(\hat{x}_{j}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{Z}\sum_{f\left(\hat{x}_{i}\right)}\psi\left(f\left(\hat{x}_{i}\right), f\left(\hat{x}_{j}\right)\right)\varphi(f\left(\hat{x}_{i}\right), \hat{x}_{i})$$
$$\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N}(i) \setminus \{j\}} m_{ki}^{t-1}\left(f\left(\hat{x}_{i}\right)\right) \tag{27}$$

where Z is another normalization constant,  $k \in N(i) \setminus \{j\}$  means that the node k belongs to N(i) but it is not j. For LBP, the belief is estimated at each node by using all the incoming messages [41]. Let  $b_i^t(y_i)$  represent the belief of the node *i* at the iteration *t*,  $b_i^t(y_i)$  can be given by:

$$b_{i}^{t}(y_{i} = m) =$$







Finally, the solution of MAM for the node *i* is estimated as:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{y}}_i = \arg \max_{f(\widehat{x}_i)} q(f(\widehat{x}_i)/\widehat{x}_i) = \arg \max_{f(\widehat{x}_i)} b_i^t(y_i) \quad (29)$$







Fig. 4. The effect of key parameters of  $\lambda/a$  (a), C (b), L (c),  $\lambda/a$  (d), C (e) and L (f) on the Indian Pines dataset (up) and Pavia University (down) dataset.

#### IV. EXPERIMENTS AND ANALYSIS

# A. Datasets Used

The following two publicly available HSI datasets are used in our experiments for performance evaluation, where additional dataset used for extended discussions is introduced in subsection IV-H.

(1) **Indian Pines**: Captured by the Airborne Visible Infrared Imaging Spectrometer (AVIRIS) sensor in June 1992, this dataset has a size of  $145 \times 145$  pixels. It contains 220 spectral bands covering 400nm-2450nm, i.e. from visible to infrared spectrum range. The spatial resolution of Indian Pines is 20m. After removing 20 water absorptions, there are 200 bands

(2) **Pavia University**: This dataset was recorded by the Reflective Optics System Imaging Spectrometer (ROSIS) over the area surrounding the University of Pavia, Italy [2]. The spatial dimension of the dataset is  $610 \times 340$ , and there are 103 bands after removing 12 noisy and water absorption bands. Nine reference classes for 42776 labelled samples are available for classification in this dataset.

remained [2]. The image has 10366 labeled pixels in 16 classes

of different vegetation categories for classification.

# B. Benchmarking Approaches

Some state-of-the-art methods are used for comparison, which include the logistic regression via variable splitting and augmented Lagrangian algorithm [49] with weighted MRF (LORSAL-SpATV) [50], LORSAL-LBP [41] and multiscale adaptive sparse representation (MASR) [51], where the default parameter settings are used. The code of LORSAL-SpATV, MASR and LORSAL-LBP can be obtained from https://github.com/search?q=Weight+markov+random+field, http://www.escience.cn/people/LeyuanFang/index.html and http://www.lx.it.pt/~jun/demos.html respectively. In addition, the original ELM code can be downloaded from http://www.ntu.edu.sg/home/egbhuang/elm\_codes.html.

All the experiments are conducted with the Matlab R2015a and tested on a computer with 2.9GHz i7 7820HQ CPU with 32G RAM. All the experiments are repeated 10 times with the average results in terms of classification accuracy and computation time, including training time (Tr) and testing time (Ts), reported for performance assessment.

# C. Parameter Analysis

The key parameter for ELM is the number of hidden neurons L, and additional parameters for the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM include the parameters C in Eq. (15) and  $\lambda$  in Eq. (17). Three experiments are carried out to evaluate the parameters of  $\lambda$ , C and L, respectively, using 30 samples (up to 50% for classes with limited number of samples) per class for training and the remaining for testing. In Experiment #1 and #2, L is set to 350 for MSELM and LBMSELM, including both LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8 for the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets.

**Experiment #1**: In this experiment, the effect of parameter  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda = 2^a$ ) on the proposed methods is evaluated, where *C* of Eq. (15) is set to 10 and 100 for Indian Pines and Pavia University, respectively. Fig. 4 (a) and (d) show the effect of the parameter *a* in the MSELM and LBMSELM methods at Indian Pines and Pavia University, respectively. As seen, the proposed methods are very robust under varying *a*. In the following experiment, we will set *a* to be -12 if no special mentioned.

**Experiment #2**: In this experiment, the effect of *C* is evaluated by setting C = [5, 10, ..., 200]. Fig. 4 (b) and (e) plot the effect of *C* on the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets in terms of the overall classification accuracy (OA), respectively. As seen, OA is slightly decreasing in Indian Pines but quite stable in Pavia University when C is increasing. As a result, we set *C* to 10 and 200 for Indian Pines and Pavia University respectively.

**Experiment #3**: In this experiment, the effect of the number of the hidden neurons L on Indian Pines and Pavia University is assessed and illustrated in Fig. 4 (c) and (f) respectively. where L is adjusted within [100, 150, ...,950, 1000]. As seen, L has big impact on the ELM. Fortunately, the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM can overcome this problem. In the following experiments, we set L to be 1000 for both ELM and MSELM, and 250 for LBMSELM if no special mentioned.

#### D. Contribution Analysis

Compared with ELM, the proposed MSELM features two contributions points, the feature extraction (FE) and sparse representation (SR). The LBMSELM are the improvement of MSELM incorporating the spectral information and spatial information. Hence, we will show the impact of each contribution point in this subsection. We will use 10 samples per class (up to 50%) for training and the remaining for testing.

Tables 1 and 2 show the classification accuracies in Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets, respectively, where OA, AA and k refer to the overall accuracy, average accuracy and the Kappa coefficient, respectively [50]. As seen from these tables, each contribution point has its improvement on ELM. Hence, we can conclude that the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM methods have outperformed ELM.

TABLE 1. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION WITH 10 TRAINING SAMPLES PER CLASS FOR INDIAN PINES DATASET (BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

-				MSELM		LBMS	LBMS-
		ELM	FE	SR	FE+SR	ELM4	ELM8
	OA	50.1±1.2	$61.7 \pm 4.0$	51.1±2.2	63.1±3.1	75.2±3.0	77.22±2.6
	AA	$62.2{\pm}1.6$	$70.5 \pm 3.4$	63.6±2.7	$71.9 \pm 2.1$	84.8±1.3	86.43±1.0
	k	44.4±1.5	56.9±4.3	$45.5 \pm 2.6$	$58.4 \pm 3.5$	72.1±3.3	74.36±2.9

TABLE 2. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION WITH 10 TRAINING SAMPLES PER CLASS IN PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASET (BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

	ELM		MSELM		LBMS-	LBMS-
	ELIVI	FE	SR	FE+SR	ELM4	ELM8
OA	$56.0\pm5.2$	58.1±4.6	$58.0{\pm}3.5$	62.1±4.5	72.5±2.9	77.8±3.8
AA	65.3±3.4	$62.2\pm3.3$	$66.9{\pm}1.8$	$67.6 \pm 2.7$	78.1±1.6	84.8±1.3
k	46.2±5.0	$48.4 \pm 4.7$	48.6±3.6	53.1±4.7	65.5±3.3	72.0±4.3

#### E. Effect of different numbers of training samples

In this subsection, we will compare the original ELM with the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM methods. We also apply the proposed local block method to ELM for comparison, i.e. local block ELMs including LBELM4 and LBELM8. We vary the number of the training samples Q randomly selected from each class, where Q=10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and capped to 50% of total pixels in each class in our experiments.

From the results in Tables 3 and 4, we can see an interesting phenomenon. With an increasing Q, the classification accuracy of ELM is decreasing for the Indian Pines dataset yet increasing at the beginning and then decreasing for the Pavia University dataset. This is caused by the ill-posed problem of ELM which can be seen from Fig. 4 (c) and (f), i.e., different numbers of hidden neurons are needed under varying number of training samples in order to achieve the optimal testing results. Fortunately, the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM methods alleviate this problem and can always produce significantly improved results. Fig. 5 shows the classification maps for the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets with 30 training samples per class.

TABLE 3. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION WITH DIFFERENT NUMBERS OF TRAINING SAMPLES IN INDIAN PINES DATASET (BEST RESULTS IN BOLD)

Q	Index	ELM	MSELM	LB-	LB-	LBMS-	LBMS-
				ELM4	ELM8	ELM4	ELM8
10	OA	50.1±1.2	63.1±3.1	66.8±2.5	70.0±2.3	75.2±3.0	77.2±2.6

	AA	62.2±1.6	71.9±2.1	79.4±1.0	82.0±1.0	84.8±1.3	86.4±1.0
-	k	44.4±1.5	58.4±3.5	62.8±2.7	66.4±2.5	72.1±3.3	74.3±2.9
15	OA	48.6±1.8	62.7±2.4	71.0±1.6	73.4±1.5	78.7±0.9	79.8±0.6
-	AA	59.7±2.0	71.8±1.6	83.2±0.9	84.8±0.9	87.5±0.6	88.7±0.6
-	k	42.6±2.1	58.0±2.7	67.6±1.8	70.2±1.7	76.0±1.0	77.2±0.6
20	OA	46.0±2.1	61.8±2.1	72.1±1.1	73.7±1.2	79.7±1.3	80.4±1.2
-	AA	56.8±2.3	70.8±1.5	84.8±0.7	85.9±0.6	89.0±0.4	89.5±0.2
-	k	39.8±2.5	56.8±2.5	68.8±1.1	70.5±1.3	77.2±1.3	77.9±1.3
25	OA	45.8±2.0	60.1±2.8	74.7±1.0	75.4±0.9	80.4±1.1	81.3±0.8
-	AA	55.4±1.6	68.3±2.1	86.4±0.7	87.1±0.6	89.5±0.7	90.1±0.6
-	k	39.4±2.0	55.0±3.1	71.6±1.1	72.3±1.0	77.9±1.2	78.8±0.9
30	OA	42.1±2.4	55.2±1.8	73.9±1.7	74.7±1.7	80.2±1.7	80.7±1.6
-	AA	50.5±2.7	63.4±2.8	86.3±1.0	87.1±0.9	89.7±0.9	90.1±0.8
-	k	35.0±2.6	49.3±2.1	70.7±1.8	71.6±1.8	77.7±1.8	78.3±1.7

TABLE 4. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION WITH DIFFERENT NUMBERS OF TRAINING SAMPLES IN PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASET (BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

Q	Index	ELM	MSELM	LB-	LB-	LBMS-	LBMS-
-				ELM4	ELM8	ELM4	ELM8
10	OA	56.0±5.2	62.1±4.5	70.4±2.9	75.4±3.5	72.5±2.9	77.8±3.8
	AA	65.3±3.4	67.6±2.7	76.9±1.8	83.1±1.1	78.1±1.6	84.8±1.3
	k	46.2±5.0	53.1±4.7	62.9±3.1	69.1±4.0	65.5±3.3	72.0±4.3
15	OA	60.1±3.1	62.8±3.5	79.3±2.7	81.0±2.1	81.3±3.1	82.7±1.8
	AA	63.9±1.9	64.9±3.9	83.9±0.7	85.9±0.7	85.4±1.2	87.2±0.7
	k	50.3±3.1	53.7±4.0	73.6±3.1	75.7±2.4	76.0±3.7	77.8±2.1
20	OA	57.9±4.1	$60.8 \pm 4.7$	80.3±2.0	81.0±2.7	82.2±2.2	83.0±2.4
	AA	61.5±3.6	62.0±4.2	85.3±0.5	86.5±0.6	87.0±0.5	87.8±0.5
	k	48.0±4.5	51.4±5.2	74.8±2.2	75.8±3.0	77.3±2.5	78.3±2.8
25	OA	58.4±3.0	60.6±3.4	82.4±1.4	83.6±1.5	83.6±2.0	85.1±0.9
	AA	61.0±2.4	61.9±2.7	87.0±0.5	87.8±0.7	88.1±0.6	88.9±0.4
	k	48.7±3.3	51.3±3.8	77.5±1.6	78.9±1.8	78.9±2.3	80.8±1.1
30	OA	59.4±2.8	62.2±3.4	84.1±1.3	84.6±1.2	85.6±1.3	85.8±1.0
	AA	59.2±3.6	60.4±4.0	87.7±0.6	88.3±0.3	88.8±0.4	89.1±0.4
	k	49.4±3.2	52.7±3.9	79.4±1.5	80.1±1.4	81.4±1.6	81.6±1.2

# F. Comparison with state-of-the-art approaches

In this subsection, we compare the proposed MSELM-LBP, LBMSELM4-LBP and LBMSELM8-LBP with state-of-the-art spectral and spatial methods, including LORSAL-SpATV [50], MASR [51] and LORSAL-LBP [41]. We also apply the LBP method to the original ELM for comparison. According to [41], we set the smooth parameter of LBP in Eq. (26) to 2. When applying the LBP to these methods, we only consider the labelled samples. About 1% of the total samples are used for training, and the remaining are used for testing. The details of training and testing samples in the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets are summarized in Table 5.

Indian Pin	Pavia Ur	niversit	y		
Index/category	Train	Test	Index/Category	Train	Test
1 Alfalfa	3	51	1 Asphalt	66	6565
2 Corn-no till	14	1420	2 Meadows	186	18463
3 Corn-min till	8	826	3 Gravel	20	2079
4 Corn	4	230	4 Trees	30	3034
5 Grass/pasture	5	492	5 Metal sheets	13	1332
6 Grass/tree	8	739	6 Bare soil	50	4979
7 Grass/pasture-mowed	3	23	7 Bitumen	13	1317
8 Hay-windrowed	5	484	8 Bricks	37	3645
9 Oats	2	18	9 Shadows	10	937
10 Soybeans-no till	10	958			
11 Soybeans-min till	24	2444			
12 Soybeans-clean till	7	607			
13 Wheat	4	208			
14 Woods	13	1281			
15 Bldg-grass-tree-drives	5	375			

16 Stone-steel towers

Tables 6 and 7 show the classification results for the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets, respectively, from which some useful conclusions can be summarized as follows.

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1) Compared with ELM, the proposed MSELM, LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8 all achieved better classification results, which have shown good performance of the proposed methods; 2) When applying LBP to ELM, MSELM and LBMSELM, the classification results can be further improved in terms of OA, AA and k. MSELM-LBP has similar classification results compared with ELM-LBP, but the combination of LBP with LBMSELM, i.e. LBMSELM4-LBP and LBMSELM8-LBP, have much better classification results than ELM-LBP. This verifies the merit of the proposed LBMSELM approach;

3) In comparison to other state-of-the-art methods, both LBMSELM4-LBP and LBMSELM8-LBP have achieved better classification results than LORSAL-SpATV, MASR and LORSAL-LBP. Figs. 6 and 7 show the classification maps of these methods with 1% samples used for training.

In the last row of Tables 6 and 7, we also give the running time of these methods for comparison. Tr and Ts denote the training time and testing time, respectively, measured in seconds ('s'). Note that although the proposed LBMSELM is the development of MSELM, the former has less computation time than the latter in these tables. This is caused by different numbers of the hidden neurons L used for these two methods, where L is set to 250 and 1000 for LBMSELM and MSELM, respectively. As seen from Eqs. (16) and (20), both of the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM are iteration algorithms, which need the inverse operation with a size of  $L \times L$ . With a much larger L used in MSELM than LBMSELM, the computational complexity of LBMSELM becomes less than that of MSELM.

In addition, LBP-based methods have similar computational complexity, including LORSAL-LBP, ELM-LBP and our LBMSELM4-LBP, LBMSELM8-LBP and MSELM-LBP methods. This is because LBP is an iteration algorithm which takes much time to compute the marginal probability for each sample in HSIs. This has covered the computational complexity

of these individual methods. In Table 7, the proposed LBMSELM4-LBP, LBMSELM8-LBP and MSELM-LBP have much more computation time than LRSAL-SpATV and MASR. In Table 6, LBMSELM4-LBP, LBMSELM8-LBP and MSELM-LBP methods have more computation time than LORSAL-SpATV, but slightly less computation time than MASR. These have again validated the good performance of the proposed approaches.

As a spatial-spectral classifier, LBMSELM seems to be sensitive to the spatial neighborhood used. We further evaluate the performance in terms of OA and computation time under varying size of neighborhoods. Tables 8 and 9 show the results from the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets, again using 10 labeled samples per class for training and the remaining for testing. As seen, the classification accuracy first increases, and soon saturates and even decreases with the enlarged neighborhood. That is because the spatial correction of pixels only holds within a small local area, and a too large neighborhood will inevitably degrade the results. Moreover, a larger neighborhood will naturally lead to more computation time in both training and testing. As a good tradeoff, we recommended 8 or 24 neighbors for a window size of  $3\times3$  or  $5\times5$  respectively for the proposed LBMSELM approaches.



(g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (l) Fig. 5. Results for the Indian Pines (up) and Pavia University dataset (down) (with 30 training samples per class) in terms of OA for (a) ELM ( $42.18\pm2.43$ ); (b) MSELM ( $55.20\pm1.83$ ); (c) LBELM4 ( $73.90\pm1.71$ ); (d) LBELM8 ( $74.74\pm1.71$ ); (e) LBMSELM4 ( $80.22\pm1.72$ ); (f) LBMSELM8 ( $80.74\pm1.60$ ); (g) ELM ( $59.44\pm2.82$ ); (h) MSELM ( $62.27\pm3.41$ ); (i) LBELM4 ( $84.13\pm1.32$ ); (j) LBELM8 ( $84.66\pm1.20$ ); (k) LBMSELM4 ( $85.65\pm1.37$ ); and (l) LBMSELM8 ( $85.80\pm1.09$ ).



Fig. 6. Results for the Indian Pines dataset (~1% training), and the OAs are (a) LORSAL-SpATV ( $81.50\pm2.66$ ); (b) MASR ( $84.14\pm2.49$ ); (c) LORSAL-LBP ( $69.93\pm1.82$ ); (d) ELM ( $54.19\pm1.49$ ); (e) ELM-LBP ( $77.16\pm2.43$ ); (f) MSELM ( $59.24\pm2.17$ ); (g) MSELM-LBP ( $77.27\pm2.94$ ); (h) LBMSELM4 ( $75.98\pm1.39$ ); (i) LBMSELM4-LBP ( $87.90\pm1.93$ ); (j) LBMSELM8 ( $78.75\pm1.05$ ) (k) LBMSELM8-LBP ( $87.47\pm1.37$ ); and (l) ground truth.

TABLE 6.	CLASSIFICATION	N ACCURA	CY (%) AND S	TANDARD D	DEVIATION WITH	11% TRAIN	ING SAMPLES	FOR INDIAN	PINES DATASET	(BEST RE	ESULTS IN BOLD).
NO	LORSAL-	MASR	LORSAL-	ELM	ELM-LBP	MSELM	MSELM-	LBMS	LBMS	LBMS	LBMS

	SpATV		LBP				LBP	ELM4	ELM4-LBP	ELM8	ELM8-LBP
1	83.52±16.79	98.62±1.32	70.58±17.97	44.50±19.93	71.37±37.46	61.37±11.09	$92.35 \pm 7.42$	$86.27 \pm 8.62$	$97.84{\pm}2.84$	86.47±5.73	98.03±2.92
2	$81.85{\pm}10.75$	$75.47{\pm}6.28$	66.90±9.76	$51.73{\pm}4.98$	79.80±11.20	$56.74 \pm 8.94$	$75.67{\pm}5.84$	$75.60{\pm}4.24$	90.05±5.45	$78.69 \pm 3.57$	$89.97 \pm 5.08$
3	$55.73{\pm}13.30$	72.89±10.90	$37.65 \pm 12.47$	$26.33{\pm}5.85$	35.41±17.66	$42.91{\pm}12.27$	$54.87{\pm}16.62$	$55.85 \pm 5.73$	67.86±9.36	$58.88{\pm}5.68$	65.73±4.43
4	62.39±31.57	83.82±6.92	$48.60{\pm}16.71$	$24.82{\pm}4.88$	48.21±14.33	36.69±8.16	66.56±22.89	56.00±13.22	81.34±15.53	61.47±15.13	82.82±17.87
5	76.74±9.96	$79.45 \pm 9.57$	$67.74{\pm}17.65$	$56.11{\pm}15.52$	$73.78{\pm}19.48$	$56.09 \pm 15.98$	$73.55{\pm}20.42$	$77.90 \pm 7.79$	82.11±10.36	79.71±9.01	$81.89 \pm 9.97$
6	$97.65 \pm 1.45$	$97.29{\pm}1.86$	89.37±5.21	$74.45 \pm 5.89$	$97.83 {\pm} 3.22$	$73.92{\pm}10.74$	$93.01{\pm}5.48$	$90.36 \pm 3.75$	98.57±2.35	$93.57{\pm}1.88$	98.20±3.44
7	$87.39 \pm 15.93$	99.13±2.74	$95.65{\pm}4.09$	$46.08{\pm}16.42$	100±0	$83.47 \pm 9.12$	$99.13 {\pm} 2.74$	99.13±1.83	100±0	$100\pm0$	100±0
8	99.89±0.20	$94.97{\pm}7.65$	86.44±17.26	$71.79{\pm}15.68$	$96.63 \pm 8.17$	$73.65 \pm 17.78$	$86.36{\pm}20.61$	$93.51{\pm}4.96$	$98.28 {\pm} 3.62$	$94.87 {\pm} 3.85$	99.69±0.90
9	47.22±39.21	90.55±17.57	96.66±10.54	$46.66 \pm 15.97$	100±0	77.77±17.37	100±0	$98.33 \pm 3.74$	100±0	100±0	100±0
10	69.13±17.48	80.96±5.59	$55.01{\pm}10.73$	$36.28{\pm}6.58$	56.49±13.24	50.68±12.26	$67.49{\pm}17.66$	62.34±10.27	$76.58{\pm}14.51$	63.96±10.36	74.49±13.32
11	$87.72 \pm 6.98$	$87.69 \pm 5.81$	79.59±5.44	$55.20{\pm}5.53$	$84.40{\pm}6.45$	$67.16 \pm 6.27$	$86.00{\pm}7.65$	$80.16 \pm 4.33$	92.36±3.81	$81.45 \pm 4.17$	92.38±3.83
12	$63.95{\pm}14.77$	$72.52{\pm}18.81$	$48.18{\pm}8.78$	$36.29{\pm}7.85$	$59.45{\pm}14.55$	40.93±9.72	56.91±12.67	$61.74{\pm}7.95$	$81.81{\pm}12.71$	$67.67 \pm 8.16$	81.86±13.11
13	100±0	$99.42 \pm 0.70$	99.08±0.73	$91.53{\pm}4.16$	100±0	$92.45 \pm 6.94$	99.95±0.15	$97.69{\pm}1.61$	$99.85 \pm 0.45$	$98.99 \pm 0.57$	100±0
14	99.17±0.70	98.66±1.67	90.10±7.64	$81.15{\pm}7.32$	$97.08 {\pm} 3.34$	$68.90 \pm 8.53$	$88.77 {\pm} 10.94$	$88.79 \pm 6.37$	$94.89 \pm 8.36$	$91.85{\pm}7.26$	93.80±8.61
15	$46.80{\pm}20.78$	63.97±8.79	32.61±10.57	$33.52{\pm}10.56$	$62.64{\pm}18.08$	$30.48 \pm 8.24$	58.13±24.39	$56.85{\pm}10.34$	78.34±11.03	$61.54 \pm 9.63$	76.10±12.21
16	91.42±7.64	97.36±2.08	$64.28{\pm}14.90$	$61.20{\pm}12.63$	$96.70{\pm}3.87$	19.34±12.38	$27.47 \pm 24.91$	$53.62 \pm 9.13$	$84.61{\pm}12.91$	$76.37 \pm 7.68$	94.94±6.71
OA	81.50±2.66	84.74±2.49	69.93±1.82	54.19±1.49	77.16±2.43	59.24±2.17	77.27±2.94	75.98±1.39	87.90±1.93	$78.75{\pm}1.05$	87.47±1.37
AA	78.16±4.76	$82.55 \pm 2.86$	$70.53 \pm 2.82$	$52.35{\pm}3.48$	$78.73 \pm 2.92$	$58.29 \pm 2.18$	76.64±3.35	77.13±1.66	89.03±1.96	$80.97{\pm}1.01$	89.37±1.33
k	$78.76 \pm 3.03$	87.05±2.81	$65.84{\pm}1.92$	$47.38 \pm 1.71$	73.57±2.76	$52.93 \pm 2.46$	73.78±3.45	72.40±1.61	86.10±2.24	75.63±1.20	85.61±1.58
Tr (s)	0.14	93.90	0.15	0.03	0.04	8.27	8.30	0.48	0.50	0.63	0.68
Ts(s)	34.43	234.48	137.65	0.30	139.75	0.29	138.94	0.07	138.65	0.07	139.44



TABLE 7. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION WITH 1% TRAINING SAMPLES FOR PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASET	(BEST RESULTS IN BOLD)
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No.	LORSAL- SpATV	MASR	LORSAL- LBP	ELM	ELM-LBP	MSELM	MSELM- LBP	LBMS- ELM4	LBMSELM4- LBP	LBMS ELM8	LBMSELM8- LBP
1	77.58±3.74	78.29±2.20	93.04±2.16	67.49±4.32	95.13±2.00	70.85±3.09	95.39±1.73	$92.85{\pm}1.33$	98.24±0.96	93.73±1.40	99.06±0.93
2	94.74±1.71	$98.70 \pm 0.18$	$99.49 \pm 0.23$	83.74±3.26	99.51±0.45	$86.65 \pm 2.89$	$99.54 \pm 0.44$	$98.79 \pm 0.30$	99.99±0.01	98.96±0.28	99.99±0.01
3	$61.81 \pm 5.15$	81.63±7.64	$69.10{\pm}7.85$	$48.56 \pm 7.03$	$71.48{\pm}13.1$	$53.33{\pm}7.80$	$72.73{\pm}13.23$	$58.05{\pm}4.30$	$62.27 \pm 7.31$	$58.23{\pm}4.29$	$61.15 \pm 7.98$
4	$86.53 {\pm} 4.06$	$82.36{\pm}1.29$	$89.66 \pm 2.29$	$49.04{\pm}4.66$	$73.57 {\pm} 8.85$	$47.94{\pm}4.59$	$72.56 \pm 8.79$	$89.85{\pm}1.19$	$95.70{\pm}1.02$	$90.80{\pm}0.97$	95.71±1.01
5	$97.58 \pm 0.93$	$100\pm0$	$97.74{\pm}1.66$	$3.01{\pm}1.39$	$2.72\pm6.11$	$1.18\pm0.25$	$0.40{\pm}0.32$	$98.34{\pm}0.66$	$100\pm0$	$99.13 \pm 0.29$	100±0
6	$63.41 {\pm} 2.93$	$87.01 {\pm} 3.97$	$82.56 \pm 5.75$	$63.94{\pm}4.87$	89.99±7.59	$63.85 {\pm} 3.77$	$89.34{\pm}6.04$	$73.13{\pm}3.12$	$87.61 \pm 7.35$	$73.02{\pm}2.91$	$86.54 \pm 6.29$
7	$65.77 {\pm} 5.63$	97.69±1.59	$84.27 {\pm} 5.63$	$57.33 \pm 5.57$	$92.33 \pm 6.83$	$64.03 \pm 5.49$	96.75±1.78	$39.91{\pm}5.12$	$33.47 \pm 5.47$	$30.77 \pm 4.74$	$28.69{\pm}5.82$
8	$73.30{\pm}4.99$	$92.68{\pm}5.36$	$90.70{\pm}3.52$	$58.41 \pm 4.62$	$89.70 \pm 5.10$	$62.90{\pm}4.61$	$92.73 \pm 3.49$	$90.62{\pm}1.17$	97.85±0.99	$89.88 {\pm} 1.34$	$97.29 \pm 0.99$
9	$63.35{\pm}26.58$	$37.37{\pm}5.06$	99.51±0.35	$30.55{\pm}10.34$	$70.17{\pm}16.5$	$17.97 \pm 4.84$	$58.29 \pm 19.72$	$99.41{\pm}0.45$	$99.85 \pm 0.05$	99.72±0.11	99.87±0.04
OA	93.19±1.58	90.29±0.67	93.02±0.60	67.97±2.81	89.71±1.81	70.16±2.54	89.74±1.62	$89.68 \pm 0.46$	93.85±1.04	89.63±0.30	93.60±0.89
AA	86.28±4.85	$87.01{\pm}0.90$	$89.56 \pm 1.24$	$51.34 \pm 2.97$	$76.06 \pm 3.69$	$52.08 \pm 2.47$	$75.30{\pm}3.03$	$82.33{\pm}1.02$	86.11±1.72	$81.58 \pm 0.76$	85.37±1.56
k	$90.84{\pm}2.18$	83.97±1.08	90.64±0.83	$57.32 \pm 3.62$	$86.08 \pm 2.54$	60.11±3.30	$86.14 \pm 2.24$	$86.07 \pm 0.64$	91.75±1.43	$86.00 \pm 0.42$	91.41±1.22

Tr (s)	0.37	472.70	0.56	0.16	0.16	9.30	9.30	0.85	0.85	1.25	1.25
Ts (s)	198.55	860.87	3748.4	1.02	3747.3	1.02	3759.2	0.25	3749.4	0.26	3749.9

TABLE 8. THE EFFECT OF THE SIZES OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD USED IN LBMSELM FOR THE INDIAN PINES DATASET

Index	4	8	24	48	80
OA	75.48±2.75	$77.33{\pm}2.34$	$78.90{\pm}2.18$	78.75±1.81	78.18±1.77
Tr (s)	0.56	0.76	1.34	2.40	3.64
Ts (s)	0.07	0.08	0.07	0.08	0.07

TABLE 9. THE EFFECT OF THE SIZES OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD USED IN LBMSELM FOR THE PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASET

Index	4	8	24	48	80
OA	$72.58 \pm 2.09$	$78.08 \pm 3.10$	$80.02{\pm}\ 2.70$	79.63±2.60	79.08±2.54
Tr (s)	0.41	0.52	0.83	1.43	2.08
Ts (s)	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.29	0.25

# G. Comparing with Other Spatial Features and Deep Learning

In Table 10, we compare the proposed LBMSELM (LBMSELM8 and LBMSELM 24) with the well-known spatial-aware collaborative representation (SaCR) approach [52] with 10 training samples per class, where the default parameters are adopted. For the Indian Pines dataset, SaCR has outperformed LBMSELM8 and LBMSELM24 in terms of classification accuracy. For the Pavia University dataset, SaCR has higher classification accuracy than LBMSELM8 yet lower than LBMSELM24. In both datasets, SaCR consumes much higher computational time that the proposed LBMSELM8 and LBMSELM24 approaches.

In addition, other spatial features including local binary pattern (LBPn) [28] and attribute profile (AP) [11] are compared with the proposed LBMSELM, where the default settings of parameters are used for these two approaches. With 1% labeled samples for training and the remaining for testing, the experimental results are reported in Tables 11 and 12 for comparison. When applying the AP to the proposed MSELM, the number of hidden neurons L is set to 1000 and 250 for the Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets, respectively. As seen from Tables 11 and 12, applying LBPn and AP to the proposed MSELM can further improve the classification accuracy. However, both LBPn-MSELM and AP-MSELM are still inferior than the proposed LBMSELM8, which indicates the efficacy of the spatial features extracted from LBMSELM8 than that of LBPn and AP.

In Table 13, we further compare the proposed MSLEM and LBMSELM8 with deep-learning based methods, including the convolutional neural networks (CNN) [53], CNN-pixel-pair features (CNN-PPF) [54] and Contextual Deep CNN (CD-CNN) [55]. Following the settings in [56], we set the training samples to 50 per class in both Indian Pines and Pavia University datasets and the remaining for testing. For consistency, only the 8 largest classes in Indian Pines dataset are used [55], corresponding to the  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$ ,  $5^{th}$ ,  $8^{th}$ ,  $10^{th}$ ,  $11^{th}$ ,  $12^{th}$  and  $14^{th}$  classes as shown in Table 5. The classification results of CNN, CNN-PPF and CD-CNN are directly taken from [56]. We set the numbers of hidden neurons *L* to 100 and 900 for MSELM and LBMSELM8, respectively. For the Indian Pines dataset, LBMSELM8 outperforms all three deep-learning based approaches, although they have better results than the

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propo	sed MSE	LM appr	oach. Fo	r the Pavi	ia Univ	versity D	ataset,
CD-C	NN pro	oduces t	he best	result,	yet	our pro	oposed
LBMS	SELM8	outperfo	rms two	other	deep-le	earning	based
appro	aches, i.e	e. CNN a	nd CNN-	PPF. Thi	is has a	again val	idated
the go	od perfo	rmance o	f the pro-	posed LB	MSEL	.M8 met	hod.

TABLE 10. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION FOR INDIAN PINES AND PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASETS (10 TRAINING SAMPLES PER CLASS, BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

Dataset	Index	SaCR	LBMSELM	LBMSELM24
			8	
Indian	OA	85.21±1.20	77.02±2.20	$78.69 \pm 2.10$
Pines	AA	91.14±0.69	$86.40 \pm 0.82$	$87.56 \pm 0.89$
	k	83.29±1.34	74.15±2.41	$75.99 \pm 2.29$
	Tr (s)	11.26	0.65	1.25
	Ts (s)	5.03	0.07	0.07
Pavia	OA	79.15±4.31	$78.29 \pm 2.84$	$80.10 \pm 2.76$
University	AA	84.51±2.99	$85.44 \pm 0.96$	87.05±0.85
	k	$73.73 \pm 5.00$	72.62±3.23	74.86±3.17
	Tr (s)	23.36	0.50	0.83
	Ts (s)	17.24	0.25	0.25

# *H. Extended Experiments on the Salinas Dataset and Full Scene Classification Maps for the Three Datasets*

In this subsection, we conduct more experiments to show the good performance of the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM on the Salinas dataset. Besides, we show the full scene classification maps for the three HSIs datasets used in our experiments. Salinas was also recorded by the AVIRIS sensor over the area surrounding the Salinas Valley, California. The spatial dimension of this dataset is  $512 \times 217$  with 204 bands after removing 20 water absorption spectral bands [9]. Seventeen reference classes for 54129 labelled samples are available for classification in this dataset.

For the Salinas dataset, we select 10 samples per class for training and the remaining for testing, and the experimental results are compared in Table 14. The numbers of the hidden neurons L are set to 1000 for ELM and MSELM, and 250 for LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8. Also, the parameter C in Eq. (11) is set to 1000 for MSLEM, LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8 As seen from Table 14, MSELM has better classification accuracy than ELM, whilst LBMSELM4 and LBMSELM8 have even better results than MSELM.

In Fig. 8, we show the full scene classification maps of ELM, MSELM and LBMSELM8 with 10 training samples per class for the three datasets, i.e. Indian Pines, Pavia University and Salinas. As seen from Fig. 8, the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM8 have much better classification results than ELM. Hence, the proposed methods have good performance.

# V. CONCLUSION

In this paper, a novel framework based on multilayer optimization for ELM, MSELM, has been proposed to extract effective features and classify HSIs. By constructing the multilayer sparse ELM which extracts the effective feature and solves the ill-posed problem of ELM, the proposed MSELM can greatly improve the classification results of ELM. Furthermore, a local block method that can reveal the neighboring information has been proposed to further improve the classification results of the MSELM. Finally, we apply the LBP to the proposed MSELM and LBMSELM, which can utilize the rich spectral and spatial information of HSIs. Compared with other state-of-the-art methods, the proposed methods obtain the good performances.

In addition, the proposed methods can also be extended to many other HSIs applications such as target detection and anomaly detection. This is because these two applications can both be easily converted to a classification problem, where the proposed feature extraction and classification scheme can be applied. For the future work, we will resort to some mathematical methods, such as inverse free [57] to improve the computational efficiency of the proposed MSELM, LBMSELM method and LBP. Besides, we will also further improve the classification accuracy by using gravitational search [58] and saliency detection [59] approaches.

TABLE 11. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION FOR THE INDIAN PINES DATASET (1% TRAINING, BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

MSELM-LBPn MSELM-AP

Index

MSELM

04	58 87+3 24	60 34+3 38	60.00+5.12	78 71+1 10
0A	J0.07±J.24	09.34±3.38	09.90±3.12	/0./1±1.10
AA	57.51±3.41	72.07±2.67	$69.38 \pm 5.60$	80.88±0.97
k	52.52±3.65	$65.04 \pm 3.78$	$65.33{\pm}6.01$	75.58±1.24

TABLE 12. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION FOR THE PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASET (1% TRAINING, BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

Index	MSELM	LBPa-MSELM	AP-MSELM	LBMSELM8
OA	70.26±2.70	75.83±2.26	83.51±0.97	89.69±0.32
AA	$52.67 \pm 2.59$	$61.90 \pm 3.92$	$68.03{\pm}1.49$	81.74±0.64
k	$60.27 \pm 3.52$	67.72±2.96	77.87±1.29	86.07±0.44

TABLE 13. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION FOR INDIAN PINES AND PAVIA UNIVERSITY DATASETS (50 TRAINING SAMPLES, BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

Dataset	Index	CNN	CNN-PPF	CD-CNN	MSELM	LBMSELM8
Indian Pines	OA	80.43	88.34	84.43	79.18 ±0.62	89.31 ±0.51
Pavia University	OA	86.39	88.14	92.19	$81.69{\pm}1.70$	$89.47 \pm 0.80$

TABLE 14. CLASSIFICATION ACCURACY (%) AND STANDARD DEVIATION FOR THE SALINAS DATASET (10 TRAINING SAMPLES, BEST RESULTS IN BOLD).

Index	ELM	MSELM	LBMSELM4	LBMSELM8
OA	85.90±1.55	86.99±1.52	89.41±1.26	90.03±1.05
AA	$92.62 \pm 0.70$	93.58±0.69	$95.05 \pm 0.50$	95.34±0.46
k	$84.34{\pm}1.70$	$85.54{\pm}1.67$	88.22±1.39	88.91±1.16



LBMSELM8

Fig. 8. Results for the three datasets of Indian Pines (up), Pavia University (middle) and Salinas (bottom) with 10 training samples per class. In each row, a-b are for results from ELM, c-d are from MSELM, and e-f are from LBMSELM8. In addition, a, c and e are classification maps and b, d and f are full scene classification maps.

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