

# Variational regularisation for inverse problems with imperfect forward operators and general noise models

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# Inverse Problems

Inverse problem:

$$Au = \bar{f},$$

- $A: U \rightarrow F$  is the forward operator (linear in this talk),
- $\bar{f} \in U$  exact (unattainable) data,
- $f^\delta$  noisy measurement with amount of noise characterised by  $\delta > 0$ .

# Variational Regularisation

Variational regularisation:

$$\min_{u \in U} \frac{1}{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(Au | f^\delta) + \mathcal{J}(u),$$

- $\mathcal{H}(\cdot | f^\delta)$  is the *fidelity function* that models the noise (e.g., Kullback-Leibler divergence,  $L^p$ -norm, Wasserstein distance),
- $\mathcal{J}(\cdot)$  is the regularisation term (e.g., Total Variation,  $\ell^1$ -norm),
- $\alpha$  is the regularisation parameter.

# Imperfect Forward Operators

Forward operator  $A: U \rightarrow F$  often

- is not perfectly known (errors in geometry, coefficients of a PDE, convolution kernel), or
- can only be evaluated approximately (simplified models, discretisation errors).

Regularisation under operator errors:

- Goncharskii, Leonov, Yagola (1973). A generalized discrepancy principle;
- Hofmann (1986). Optimization aspects of the generalized discrepancy principle in regularization;
- Neubauer, Scherzer (1990). Finite-dimensional approximation of Tikhonov regularized solutions of nonlin. ill-posed prob.;
- Pöschl, Resmerita, Scherzer (2010). Discretization of variational regularization in Banach spaces;
- Bleyer, Ramlau (2013). A double regularization approach for inverse problems with noisy data and inexact operator;
- YK, Yagola (2013). Making use of a partial order in solving inverse problems;
- YK (2014). Making use of a partial order in solving inverse problems: II;
- YK, Lellmann (2018). Image reconstruction with imperfect forward models and applications in deblurring;
- Burger, YK, Rasch (2019). Convergence rates and structure of solutions of inv. prob. with imperfect forward models;
- Dong et al. (2019). Fixing nonconvergence of algebraic iterative reconstruction with an unmatched backprojector;

Bayesian approximation error modelling:

- Kaipio, Somersalo (2005). Statistical and computational inverse problems;
- Arridge et al. (2006). Approximation errors and model reduction with an application in optical diffusion tomography;
- Hansen et al. (2014). Accounting for imperfect forw. model. in geophys. inv. prob. - exemplified for crosshole tomography;
- Calvetti et al. (2018). Iterative updating of model error for Bayesian inversion;
- Rimpiläinen et al. (2019). Improved EEG source localization with Bayes. uncert. modelling of unknown skull conductivity;
- Riis, Dong, Hansen (2020). Computed tomography reconstr. with uncert. view angles by iter. updated model discrepancy.

# Learned Forward Operators

Forward operator (or a correction to it) is learned from training pairs

$$(u^i, f^i)_{i=1}^n \quad \text{s.t.} \quad Au^i = f^i.$$

## Learned forward operators:

- Aspri, YK, Scherzer (2019). Data-driven regularisation by projection;
- Bubba et al. (2019). Learning the invisible: A hybrid deep learning-shearlet framework for limited angle computed tomography;
- Schwab, Antholzer, Haltmeier (2019). Deep null space learning for inverse problems: convergence analysis and rates;
- Boink, Brune (2019). Learned SVD: solving inverse problems via hybrid autoencoding;
- Lunz et al. (2020). On learned operator correction;
- Nelsen, Stuart (2020). The random feature model for input-output maps between Banach spaces.

# Contribution: combining general fidelities and operator errors

Variational regularisation with exact operator

$$\min_{u \in U} \frac{1}{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(Au | f^\delta) + \mathcal{J}(u).$$

Modelling operator error using partial order in a Banach lattice

$$A^l \leq A \leq A^u \quad (\text{in a sense made precise later}).$$

Proposed: variational regularisation with interval operator

$$\min_{\substack{u \in U \\ v \in F}} \frac{1}{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(v | f^\delta) + \mathcal{J}(u) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A^l u \leq_F v \leq_F A^u u.$$

- Convergence rates for a priori choices of  $\alpha$  (depending on  $\delta$  and  $\|A^u - A^l\|$ );
- Convergence rates for a posteriori choices of  $\alpha$  (discrepancy principle; depending on  $\delta$ ,  $f^\delta$ ,  $A^l$  and  $A^u$ ).

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- ▶ Partial order for linear operators  $A, B: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  is defined as

$$A \geq B \quad \text{if} \quad \forall x \geq 0 \text{ in } \mathcal{X} \quad \implies \quad Ax \geq Bx \text{ in } \mathcal{Y}.$$

# Convergence of the Data and the Operator

We consider sequences

$$\begin{aligned} A_n^l, A_n^u: \quad & A_n^l \leq A \leq A_n^u \quad \forall n, \\ & \|A_n^u - A_n^l\| \leq \eta_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \\ f_n, \delta_n: \quad & \mathcal{H}(\bar{f} \mid f_n) \leq \delta_n \quad \forall n, \\ & \delta_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \\ \alpha_n: \quad & \alpha_n \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Sequence of corresponding primal solutions

$$(u_n, v_n), \quad n = 1, \dots, \infty.$$

# General Estimate

## Assumption (Source condition)

*There exists  $\omega^\dagger \in F^*$  s.t.*

$$A^*\omega^\dagger \in \partial\mathcal{J}(u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger).$$

## Theorem (Bungert, Burger, YK, Schönlieb'20)

*Under standard assumptions the following estimate holds for the Bregann distance  $D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger)$  between the approximate solution  $u_n$  and the  $\mathcal{J}$ -minimising solution  $u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger$*

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger) \leq \frac{\delta_n}{\alpha_n} + \frac{1}{\alpha_n} [\mathcal{H}^*(\alpha_n \omega^\dagger \mid f_n) - \langle \alpha_n \omega^\dagger, \bar{f} \rangle] + C\eta_n.$$

## Definition

Let  $\varphi: (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$  be convex and  $\varphi(1) = 0$ . For  $\rho, \nu \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  with  $\rho \ll \nu$  the  $\varphi$ -divergence is defined as follows

$$d_{\varphi}(\rho \mid \nu) := \int_{\Omega} \varphi \left( \frac{d\rho}{d\nu} \right) d\nu.$$

We further assume that  $\varphi^*(x) = x + r(x)$ , where  $\varphi^*$  is the convex conjugate and  $r(x)/x \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow 0$ .

- Kullback-Leibler divergence:  $\varphi(x) = x \log(x) + x - 1$ ;
- $\chi^2$  divergence:  $\varphi(x) = (x - 1)^2$ ;
- Squared Hellinger distance:  $\varphi(x) = (\sqrt{x} - 1)^2$ ;
- Total variation:  $\varphi(x) = |x - 1|$ .

## Theorem (Bungert, Burger, YK, Schönlieb'20)

*Under standard assumptions the following convergence rate holds*

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^{\dagger}) = O\left(\frac{\delta_n}{\alpha_n} + \frac{r(\alpha_n)}{\alpha_n} + \eta_n\right).$$

For an optimal choice of  $\alpha$  we get

- Kullback-Leibler divergence,  $\chi^2$  divergence, Squared Hellinger distance:

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^{\dagger}) = O\left((\delta_n)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \eta_n\right);$$

- Total variation:

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^{\dagger}) = O(\delta_n + \eta_n) \quad (\text{exact penalisation}).$$



# Strongly Coercive Fidelities

## Theorem (Bungert, Burger, YK, Schönlieb'20)

*Suppose that the fidelity function  $\mathcal{H}$  satisfies*

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} \|v - f\|_F^\lambda \leq \mathcal{H}(v | f)$$

*for all  $v, f \in F$ , where  $\lambda \geq 1$ . Then under standard assumptions and for an optimal choice of  $\alpha$  the following rate holds*

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger) = \mathcal{O}\left(\delta_n^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} + \eta_n\right).$$

- Powers of norms;
- Wasserstein distances (coercive in the Kantorovich-Rubinstein norm).

# Mixed Noise

Sum of fidelities:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{v} \mid f) &= \mathcal{H}_1(\mathbf{v} \mid f) + \mathcal{H}_2(\mathbf{v} \mid f), \\ \implies D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger) &= O((R_1(\cdot, \delta_n) \square R_2(\cdot, \delta_n))(\alpha_n) + \eta_n),\end{aligned}$$

where  $R_{1,2}(\cdot, \delta_n)$  are individual rates.

- Hintermüller, Langer (2013). Subspace correction methods for a class of nonsmooth and nonadditive convex variational problems with mixed  $L^1/L^2$  data-fidelity in image processing;
- Yue et al. (2014). A locally adaptive L1-L2 norm for multiframe super-resolution of images with mixed noise and outliers;
- Langer (2017). Automated parameter selection in the-TV model for removing Gaussian plus impulse noise.

Infimal convolution of fidelities:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{v} \mid f) &= (\mathcal{H}_1(\cdot \mid 0) \square \mathcal{H}_2(\cdot \mid f))(\mathbf{v}), \\ \implies D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n, u_{\mathcal{J}}^\dagger) &= O(R_1(\alpha_n, \delta_n) + R_2(\alpha_n, \delta_n) + \eta_n).\end{aligned}$$

- Calatroni, De Los Reyes, Schönlieb (2017). Infimal convolution of data discrepancies for mixed noise removal.

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# Discrepancy Principle

## Discrepancy principle for exact operators

$$\alpha_n = \sup\{\alpha > 0: \|Au_n^{\alpha n} - f_n\|^2 \leq \tau\delta_n\}.$$

- Morozov (1966). On the solution of functional equations by the method of regularisation;
- Bonesky (2008). Morozov's discrepancy principle and Tikhonov-type functionals;
- Anzengruber, Ramlau (2009). Morozov's discrepancy principle for Tikhonov-type functionals with nonlinear operators;
- Sixou, Hohweiller, Ducros (2018). Morozov principle for Kullback-Leibler residual term and Poisson noise.

## Generalisation to errors in the operator (in the Hilbert space setting)

$$\alpha_n = \sup\{\alpha > 0: \|Au_n^{\alpha n} - f_n\|^2 = (\sqrt{\delta_n} + h_n\|u_n^{\alpha n}\|)^2\}.$$

- Goncharskii, Leonov, Yagola (1973). A generalized discrepancy principle;
- Hofmann (1986). Optimization aspects of the generalized discrepancy principle in regularization;
- Lu et al. (2010). On the generalized discrepancy principle for Tikhonov regularization in Hilbert scales.

## We propose

$$\alpha_n = \sup\{\alpha > 0: \mathcal{H}(v_n^\alpha | f_n) \leq \tau\delta_n\},$$

where  $(u_n^\alpha, v_n^\alpha)$  solve

$$\min_{u,v} \frac{1}{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(v | f^{\delta_n}) + \mathcal{J}(u) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A_n^l u \leq v \leq A_n^u u.$$

# Discrepancy Principle

## Theorem (Bungert, Burger, YK, Schönlieb'20)

*Under standard assumptions, for strongly coercive fidelities*

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n^{\alpha_n}, u_{\mathcal{J}}^{\dagger}) = O\left(\delta_n^{\frac{1}{\lambda}} + \eta_n\right),$$

*i.e. we recover optimal rates. If the  $\varphi$ -divergence satisfies Pinsker's inequality, we also recover optimal rates.*

*E.g., for the Kullback-Leibler divergence Pinsker's inequality says*

$$\|\bar{f} - f_n\| \leq \sqrt{2\mathcal{H}(\bar{f} \mid f_n)} = O(\sqrt{\delta_n}),$$

*hence*

$$D_{\mathcal{J}}(u_n^{\alpha_n}, u_{\mathcal{J}}^{\dagger}) = O(\sqrt{\delta_n} + \eta_n).$$

# Conclusions

- ▶ Convergence rates for variational regularization in Banach lattices for problems with imperfect forward operators and general fidelity functions:
  - ▶ norm-type fidelities;
  - ▶ Wasserstein distances;
  - ▶  $\varphi$ -divergences, e.g. Kullback-Leibler;
  - ▶ mixed noise;
- ▶ recover optimal rates for problems with exact operator;
- ▶ extend the discrepancy principle to a combination of an inexact operator and a general fidelity;
  - ▶ also recover optimal rates;
- ▶ a general and versatile approach to problems with complicated measurement noise and inexact modelling.

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