

# ADMM in Imaging Inverse Problems: Non-Periodic and Blind Deconvolution

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# Outline

1. Formulations and tools
2. The canonical ADMM and its extension for more than two functions
3. Linear-Gaussian observations: the SALSA algorithm.
4. Poisson observations: the PIDAL algorithm
5. Handling non periodic boundaries
6. Into the non-convex realm: blind deconvolution

# Inference/Learning via Optimization

**Many** inference criteria (in signal processing, machine learning) have the form

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  data fidelity, observation model, negative log-likelihood, loss, ...

... usually **smooth** and **convex**. Canonical example:

Canonical example:  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y}\|^2$

$c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  regularization/penalty function, negative log-prior, ...

... typically **convex**, often **non-differentiable** (e.g., for sparsity)

**Examples:** signal/image restoration/reconstruction, sparse representations, compressive sensing/imaging, linear regression, logistic regression, channel sensing, support vector machines, ...

# Unconstrained Versus Constrained Optimization

## Unconstrained optimization formulation

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x}) \quad (\text{Tikhonov regularization})$$

## Constrained optimization formulations

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{x}} &\in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} c(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s. t. } &f(\mathbf{x}) \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Morozov regularization})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{x}} &\in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s. t. } &c(\mathbf{x}) \leq \delta \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Ivanov regularization})$$

“*Equivalent*”, under mild conditions; maybe not equally convenient/easy  
[Lorenz, 2012]

# A Fundamental Dichotomy: Analysis vs Synthesis

[Elad, Milanfar, Rubinstein, 2007], [Selesnick, F, 2010],

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

*Synthesis* regularization:

$\mathbf{x}$  contains **representation** coefficients (not the signal/image itself)

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}$ , where  $\mathbf{B}$  is the observation operator

$\mathbf{W}$  is a synthesis operator; e.g., a *Parseval frame*  $\mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^* = \mathbf{I}$

$\mathcal{L}$  depends on the noise model; e.g.,  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2$

typical (sparsity-inducing) regularizer:  $c(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$

proper, lower semi-continuous (lsc), convex (not strictly), coercive.

# A Fundamental Dichotomy: Analysis vs Synthesis (II)

[Elad, Milanfar, Rubinstein, 2007], [Selesnick, F, 2010],

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

*Analysis* regularization

$\mathbf{x}$  is the signal/image itself,  $\mathbf{A}$  is the observation operator

typical frame-based analysis regularizer:

$$c(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}\|_1$$



analysis operator (e.g., of a Parseval frame,  $\mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}$ )

proper, lsc, convex (not strictly), and coercive.

Total variation (TV) is also “analysis”; proper, lsc, convex (not strictly),  
... but not coercive.

# Typical Convex Data Terms

Let:  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{Ax})$  where  $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{z}) \equiv \sum_{i=1}^m \xi(z_i, y_i)$

where  $\xi$  is one (e.g.) of these functions (log-likelihoods):

Gaussian observations:  $\xi_G(z, y) = \frac{1}{2}(z - y)^2 \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_G$

Poissonian observations:  $\xi_P(z, y) = z + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+}(z) - y \log(z_+) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_P$

Multiplicative noise:  $\xi_M(z, y) = L(z + e^{y-z}) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}_M$

...all proper, lower semi-continuous (lsc), coercive, convex.

$\mathcal{L}_G$  and  $\mathcal{L}_M$  are strictly convex.  $\mathcal{L}_P$  is strictly convex if  $y_i > 0, \forall_i$

# A Key Tool: The Moreau Proximity Operator

The *Moreau proximity operator* [Moreau 62], [Combettes, Pesquet, Wajs, 01, 03, 05, 07, 10, 11].

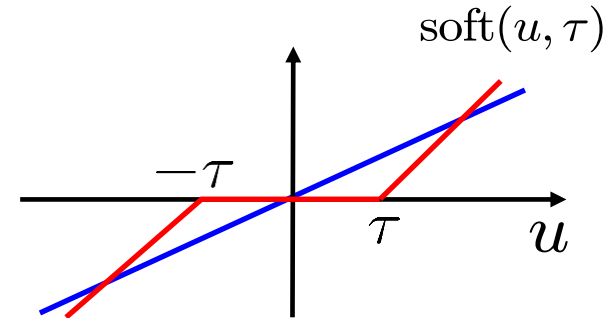
$$\text{prox}_{\tau c}(\mathbf{u}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

Classical cases:

Euclidean projection on convex set  $\mathcal{C}$

$$c(\mathbf{z}) = \iota_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \Leftarrow \mathbf{z} \in \mathcal{C} \\ +\infty & \Leftarrow \mathbf{z} \notin \mathcal{C} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{prox}_{\tau c}(\mathbf{u}) = \Pi_{\mathcal{C}}(\mathbf{u})$$

$$c(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^2 \Rightarrow \text{prox}_{\tau c}(\mathbf{u}) = \frac{\mathbf{u}}{1 + \tau}$$



$$c(\mathbf{z}) = \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 \Rightarrow \text{prox}_{\tau c}(\mathbf{u}) = \text{soft}(\mathbf{u}, \tau) = \text{sign}(\mathbf{u}) \odot \max(|\mathbf{u}| - \tau, 0)$$

Separability:

$$c(\mathbf{z}) = \sum_i c_i(z_i) \Rightarrow (\text{prox}_{\tau c}(\mathbf{u}))_i = \text{prox}_{\tau c_i}(u_i)$$

# Moreau Proximity Operators

...many more!  
 [Combettes, Pesquet, 2010]

| $\phi(x)$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | $\text{prox}_{\phi}x$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| i $\iota_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}(x)$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | $P_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}x$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| ii $\sigma_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}(x) = \begin{cases} \underline{\omega}x & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \overline{\omega}x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                         | $\text{soft}_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}(x) = \begin{cases} x - \underline{\omega} & \text{if } x < \underline{\omega} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in [\underline{\omega}, \overline{\omega}] \\ x - \overline{\omega} & \text{if } x > \overline{\omega} \end{cases}$                                                                                          |
| iii $\begin{matrix} \psi(x) + \sigma_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}(x) \\ \psi \in \Gamma_0(\mathbb{R}) \text{ differentiable at } 0 \\ \psi'(0) = 0 \end{matrix}$                                                                                                                                        | $\text{prox}_{\psi}(\text{soft}_{[\underline{\omega},\overline{\omega}]}(x))$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| iv $\max\{ x  - \omega, 0\}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | $\begin{cases} x & \text{if }  x  < \omega \\ \text{sign}(x)\omega & \text{if } \omega \leq  x  \leq 2\omega \\ \text{sign}(x)( x  - \omega) & \text{if }  x  > 2\omega \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| v $\kappa x ^q$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | $\text{sign}(x)p$ ,<br>where $p \geq 0$ and $p + q\kappa p^{q-1} =  x $                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| vi $\begin{cases} \kappa x^2 & \text{if }  x  \leq \omega/\sqrt{2\kappa} \\ \omega\sqrt{2\kappa} x  - \omega^2/2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                    | $\begin{cases} x/(2\kappa + 1) & \text{if }  x  \leq \omega(2\kappa + 1)/\sqrt{2\kappa} \\ x - \omega\sqrt{2\kappa}\text{sign}(x) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| vii $\omega x  + \tau x ^2 + \kappa x ^q$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | $\text{sign}(x)\text{prox}_{\kappa \cdot ^q/(2\tau+1)}\frac{\max\{ x  - \omega, 0\}}{2\tau + 1}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| viii $\omega x  - \ln(1 + \omega x )$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | $(2\omega)^{-1}\text{sign}(x)\left(\omega x  - \omega^2 - 1 + \sqrt{ \omega x  - \omega^2 - 1 ^2 + 4\omega x }\right)$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| ix $\begin{cases} \omega x & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | $\begin{cases} x - \omega & \text{if } x \geq \omega \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| x $\begin{cases} -\omega x^{1/q} & \text{if } x \geq 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | $p^{1/q}$ ,<br>where $p > 0$ and $p^{2q-1} - xp^{q-1} = q^{-1}\omega$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| xi $\begin{cases} \omega x^{-q} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | $p > 0$<br>such that $p^{q+2} - xp^{q+1} = \omega q$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| xii $\begin{cases} x \ln(x) & \text{if } x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                   | $W(e^{x-1})$ ,<br>where $W$ is the Lambert W-function                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| xiii $\begin{cases} -\ln(x - \underline{\omega}) + \ln(-\underline{\omega}) & \text{if } x \in ]\underline{\omega}, 0] \\ -\ln(\overline{\omega} - x) + \ln(\overline{\omega}) & \text{if } x \in ]0, \overline{\omega}[ \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$<br>$\underline{\omega} < 0 < \overline{\omega}$ | $\begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}\left(x + \underline{\omega} + \sqrt{ x - \underline{\omega} ^2 + 4}\right) & \text{if } x < 1/\underline{\omega} \\ \frac{1}{2}\left(x + \overline{\omega} - \sqrt{ x - \overline{\omega} ^2 + 4}\right) & \text{if } x > 1/\overline{\omega} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$<br>(see Figure 1)                                       |
| xiv $\begin{cases} -\kappa \ln(x) + \tau x^2/2 + \alpha x & \text{if } x > 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                             | $\frac{1}{2(1 + \tau)}\left(x - \alpha + \sqrt{ x - \alpha ^2 + 4\kappa(1 + \tau)}\right)$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| xv $\begin{cases} -\kappa \ln(x) + \alpha x + \omega x^{-1} & \text{if } x > 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                           | $p > 0$<br>such that $p^3 + (\alpha - x)p^2 - \kappa p = \omega$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| xvi $\begin{cases} -\kappa \ln(x) + \omega x^q & \text{if } x > 0 \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                                                                                                                                        | $p > 0$<br>such that $q\omega p^q + p^2 - xp = \kappa$                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| xvii $\begin{cases} -\underline{\kappa} \ln(x - \underline{\omega}) - \overline{\kappa} \ln(\overline{\omega} - x) & \text{if } x \in ]\underline{\omega}, \overline{\omega}[ \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$                                                                                            | $p \in ]\underline{\omega}, \overline{\omega}[$<br>such that $p^3 - (\underline{\omega} + \overline{\omega} + x)p^2 + (\underline{\omega}\overline{\omega} - \underline{\kappa} - \overline{\kappa} + (\underline{\omega} + \overline{\omega})x)p = \underline{\omega}\overline{\omega}x - \underline{\omega}\overline{\kappa} - \overline{\omega}\underline{\kappa}$ |

# Iterative Shrinkage/Thresholding (IST)

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau c/\alpha} \left( \mathbf{x}_k - \frac{1}{\alpha} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_k) \right)$$

**Iterative shrinkage thresholding (IST)**

**a.k.a. forward-backward splitting**

**a.k.a. proximal gradient algorithm**

[Bruck, 1977], [Passty, 1979], [Lions, Mercier, 1979],  
[F, Nowak, 01, 03], [Daubechies, Defrise, De Mol, 02, 04],  
[Combettes and Wajs, 03, 05], [Starck, Candés, Nguyen,  
Murtagh, 03], [Combettes, Pesquet, Wajs, 03, 05, 07, 11],

Key condition in convergence proofs:  $\nabla f$  is Lipschitz

...not true, e.g., with Poisson or multiplicative noise.

IST is usually **slow** (specially if  $\tau$  is small); faster alternatives:

- Two-step IST (TwIST) [Bioucas-Dias, F, 07]
- Fast IST (FISTA) [Beck, Teboulle, 09], [Tseng, 08]
- Continuation [Hale, Yin, Zhang, 07], [Wright, Nowak, F, 07, 09]
- SpaRSA [Wright, Nowak, F, 08, 09]
- Proximal Newton [Becker, Fadili, 2012], [Lee, Sun, Saunders, 2012],  
[Tran-Dinh, Kyrillidis, C, 2013], [Chouzenoux, Pesquet, Repetti, 2013].

# Variable Splitting + Augmented Lagrangian

Unconstrained (convex) optimization problem:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z})$

$\uparrow$   
 $c \times d$

Equivalent constrained problem:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^c} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{u})$   
s.t.  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} = 0$

Augmented Lagrangian (AL):

$$L_\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}, \lambda) = f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{u}) + \lambda^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}) + \boxed{\frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2}$$

AL, or method of multipliers [Hestenes, Powell, 1969]

$$(\mathbf{z}_{k+1}, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}} L_\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}, \lambda_k)$$

$$\lambda_{k+1} = \lambda_k + \mu(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1})$$

equivalent

$$(\mathbf{z}_{k+1}, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|_2^2$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1} = \mathbf{d}_k - (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1})$$

# A Workhorse: the Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (ADMM)

Problem:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z})$

Method of multipliers (MM)

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{z}_{k+1}, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|_2^2 \\ \mathbf{d}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{d}_k - (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

ADMM [Glowinski, Marrocco, 75], [Gabay, Mercier, 76], [Gabay, 83], [Eckstein, Bertsekas, 92]

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{d}_k\|_2^2 \\ \mathbf{u}_{k+1} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} f_2(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|_2^2 \\ \mathbf{d}_{k+1} &= \mathbf{d}_k - (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

**Interpretations:** variable splitting + augmented Lagrangian + NLBGS;

Douglas-Rachford splitting on the dual [Eckstein, Bertsekas, 92]

split-Bregman approach [Goldstein, Osher, 08]

# A Cornerstone Result on ADMM

[Eckstein, Bertsekas, 1992]

The problem  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z})$

$f_1, f_2$  closed, proper, convex;  $\mathbf{G}$  full column rank.

$\bar{\mathbf{z}}$  a solution of the problem

$(\mathbf{z}_k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$  the ADMM sequence ( $\mu > 0$ )

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{z}_k = \bar{\mathbf{z}}$$

Inexact minimizations allowed, as long as the errors are absolutely summable.



Explosion of applications in signal processing, machine learning, statistics, ...

[Giovannelli, Coulais, 05], [Giannakis et al, 08, 09,...], [Tomioka et al, 09], [Boyd et al, 11], [Goldfarb, Ma, 10,...], [Fessler et al, 11, ...], [Mota et al, 10], [Jakovetić et al, 12], [Banerjee et al, 12], [Esser, 09], [Ng et al, 20], [Setzer, Steidl, Teuber, 09], [Yang, Zhang, 11], [Combettes, Pesquet, 10,...], [Chan, Yang, Yuan, 11], .....



# More on the Convergence of ADMM

Convergence of ADMM is an active research topic

Dual objective  $O(1/k)$  [Goldfarb, Ma 2009], [Goldstein et al, 2012], ...,

...with Nesterov acceleration  $O(1/k^2)$  [Goldstein et al, 2012], ...,

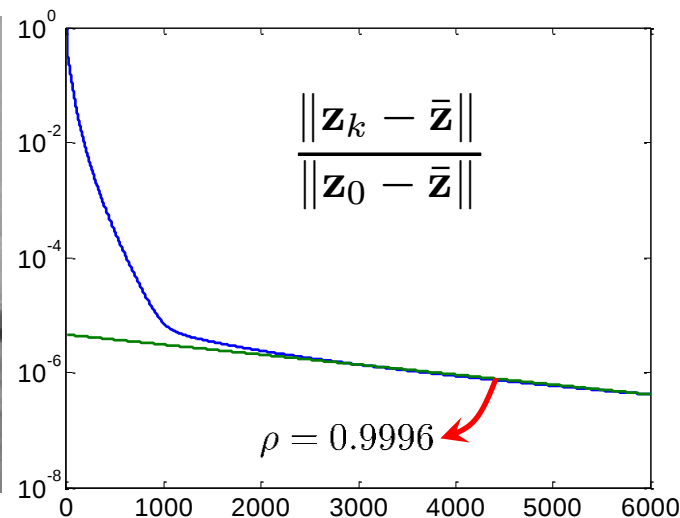
Linear convergence of iterates (under more conditions)

[Deng, Yin, 2012], [Luo, 2012], ...,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \bar{\mathbf{z}}\|}{\|\mathbf{z}_k - \bar{\mathbf{z}}\|} = \rho$$

Example: total-variation denoising  $\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \tau \text{TV}(\mathbf{x})$

100 iterations



6000 iterations



# (The Art of ) Applying ADMM

Synthesis formulation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

Template problem for ADMM

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{z})$$

Naïve mapping:  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}, \quad f_1 = \tau c, \quad f_2 = \mathcal{L}$

ADMM

$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \tau c(\mathbf{z}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$

usually hard!

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$

usually easy  
 $\text{prox}_{\mathcal{L}/\mu}$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1} = \mathbf{d}_k - (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1})$$

# Applying ADMM

Analysis formulation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})$$

Template problem for ADMM

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{z})$$


Naïve mapping:  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{P}, \quad f_1 = \mathcal{L} \circ \mathbf{B}, \quad f_2 = \tau c$

$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{z}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$



$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \tau c(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$

usually easy  
 $\text{prox}_{\tau c/\mu}$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1} = \mathbf{d}_k - (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1})$$

Easy if:  $\mathcal{L}$  is quadratic and  
 $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  diagonalized by common transform (e.g., DFT)  
(split-Bregman [Goldstein, Osher, 08])

# Applying ADMM

Analysis formulation:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x}) + \tau c(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x})$$

Template problem for ADMM

$$\min_{\mathbf{z}} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{z})$$

Naïve mapping:

$$\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{B}, \quad f_1 = \tau c \circ \mathbf{P}, \quad f_2 = \mathcal{L}$$

$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \tau c(\mathbf{P}\mathbf{z}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{B}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{B}\mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{d}_k\|^2$$

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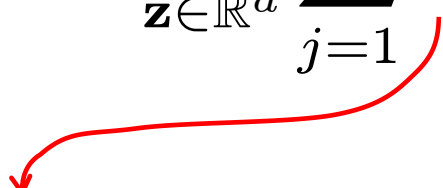
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# General Template for ADMM with Two or More Functions

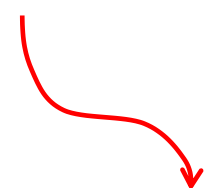
[F and Bioucas-Dias, 2009]

Consider a more general problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z}) \quad (P)$$


$$g_j : \mathbb{R}^{p_j} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$$

Proper, closed, convex functions


$$\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_j \times d}$$

Arbitrary matrices

There are many ways to write  $(P)$  as

$$\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z})$$

We propose:

$$f_1(\mathbf{z}) = 0, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}^{(J)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad f_2\left(\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}^{(J)} \end{bmatrix}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{u}^{(j)})$$

# ADMM for Two or More Functions

$$\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z}), \quad \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} f_2(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}^{(J)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}^{(1)} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}^{(J)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{z} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \left( \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \mathbf{H}^{(j)} \right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \left( \mathbf{u}_k^{(j)} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(j)} \right)$$
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(1)} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} g_1(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{H}^{(1)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(1)}\|^2 = \text{prox}_{g_1/\mu}(\mathbf{H}^{(1)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{d}_k^{(j)}) \\ &\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(J)} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} g_J(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)}\|^2 = \text{prox}_{g_J/\mu}(\mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)}) \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{d}_{k+1}^{(1)} &= \mathbf{d}_k^{(1)} - (\mathbf{H}^{(1)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(1)}) \\ &\vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\ \mathbf{d}_{k+1}^{(J)} &= \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)} - (\mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(J)}) \end{aligned}$$

# ADMM for Two or More Functions

$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \left( \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \mathbf{H}^{(j)} \right)^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \left( \mathbf{u}_k^{(j)} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(j)} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(1)} = \text{prox}_{g_1/\mu}(\mathbf{H}^{(1)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{d}_k^{(1)})$$

$\vdots$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(J)} = \text{prox}_{g_J/\mu}(\mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)})$$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1}^{(1)} = \mathbf{d}_k^{(1)} - (\mathbf{H}^{(1)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(1)})$$

$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$

$$\mathbf{d}_{k+1}^{(J)} = \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)} - (\mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(J)})$$

Conditions for easy applicability:

inexpensive proximity operators

inexpensive matrix inversion

...a cursing and a blessing!

# ADMM for Two or More Functions

Applies to sum of convex terms

$$\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$$

Computation of proximity operators is parallelizable

Handling of matrices is isolated in a pure quadratic problem

Conditions for easy applicability:    **inexpensive proximity operators**  
                                                 **inexpensive matrix inversion**

Matrix inversion may be a ***curse or a blessing!*** (more later)

Similar algorithm: *simultaneous directions method of multipliers* (SDMM)

[Setzer, Steidl, Teuber, 2010], [Combettes, Pesquet, 2010]

Other ADMM versions for more than two functions

[Hong, Luo, 2012, 2013], [Ma, 2012]

# Linear/Gaussian Observations: Frame-Based Analysis

Problem:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{Px}\|_1$

Template:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$

Mapping:  $J = 2, \quad g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2, \quad g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \tau \|\mathbf{z}\|_1$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{A}, \quad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{P},$$

Convergence conditions:  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are closed, proper, and convex.

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{P} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has full column rank.}$$

Resulting algorithm: SALSA

(split augmented Lagrangian shrinkage algorithm) [Afonso, Bioucas-Dias, F, 2009, 2010]

# ADMM for the Linear/Gaussian Problem: SALSA

Key steps of SALSA (both for analysis and synthesis):

Moreau proximity operator of  $g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2$ ,

$$\text{prox}_{g_1/\mu}(\mathbf{u}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \frac{1}{2\mu} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 = \frac{\mathbf{y} + \mu \mathbf{u}}{1 + \mu}$$

Moreau proximity operator of  $g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \tau \|\mathbf{z}\|_1$ ,

$$\text{prox}_{g_2/\mu}(\mathbf{u}) = \text{soft}\left(\mathbf{u}, \tau/\mu\right)$$

Matrix inversion:

$$\mathbf{z}_{k+1} = \left[ \mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} \right]^{-1} \left( \mathbf{A}^* \left( \mathbf{u}_k^{(1)} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(1)} \right) + \mathbf{P}^* \left( \mathbf{u}_k^{(2)} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(2)} \right) \right)$$

...next slide!

# Handling the Matrix Inversion: Frame-Based Analysis

Frame-based analysis:  $[\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P}]^{-1} = [\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1}$

$\mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I}$   
Parseval frame

diagonal  DFT (FFT) 

Periodic deconvolution:  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}$

$O(n \log n)$   $[\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} = \mathbf{U}^* [|\mathbf{D}|^2 + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} \mathbf{U}$

 subsampling matrix:  $\mathbf{M} \mathbf{M}^* = \mathbf{I}$

Compressive imaging (MRI):  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U}$

$O(n \log n)$   $[\mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U}$  matrix inversion lemma

 subsampling matrix:  $\mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S}$  is diagonal

Inpainting (recovery of lost pixels):  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}$

$O(n)$   $[\mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1}$  is a diagonal inversion

# SALSA for Frame-Based Synthesis

Problem:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$

Template:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W}$

observation matrix

synthesis matrix

Mapping:  $J = 2$ ,  $g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2$ ,  $g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \tau \|\mathbf{z}\|_1$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W} \quad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{I},$$

Convergence conditions:  $g_1$  and  $g_2$  are closed, proper, and convex.

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}\mathbf{W} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \text{ has full column rank.}$$

# Handling the Matrix Inversion: Frame-Based Synthesis

Frame-based analysis: 
$$\left[ \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \mathbf{H}^{(j)} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1}$$

Periodic deconvolution:  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}$  DFT

$O(n \log n)$  
$$\left[ \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{D}^* \left[ |\mathbf{D}|^2 + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W}$$

matrix inversion lemma +  $\mathbf{W} \mathbf{W}^* = \mathbf{I}$

Compressive imaging (MRI):  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U}$  subsampling matrix:  $\mathbf{M} \mathbf{M}^* = \mathbf{I}$

$O(n \log n)$  
$$\left[ \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W}$$

Inpainting (recovery of lost pixels):  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}$  subsampling matrix:  $\mathbf{S} \mathbf{S}^* = \mathbf{I}$

$O(n \log n)$  
$$\left[ \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} \mathbf{W}$$

# SALSA Experiments

9x9 uniform blur,  
40dB BSNR

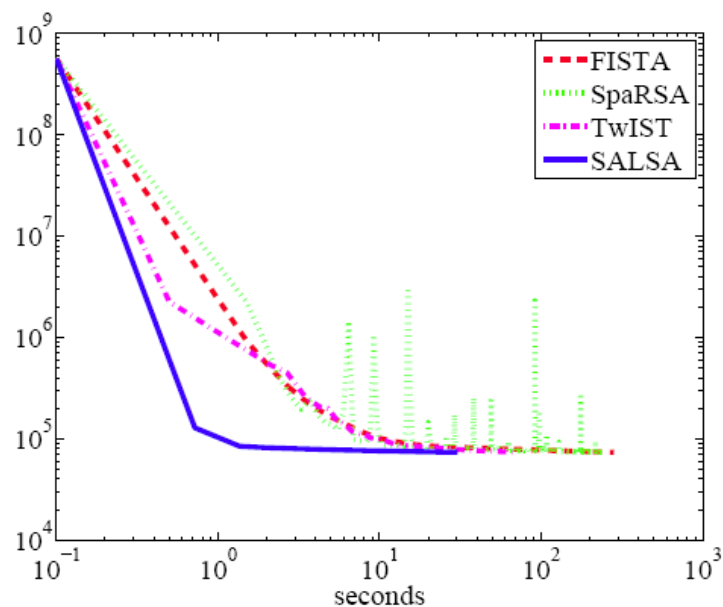
blurred



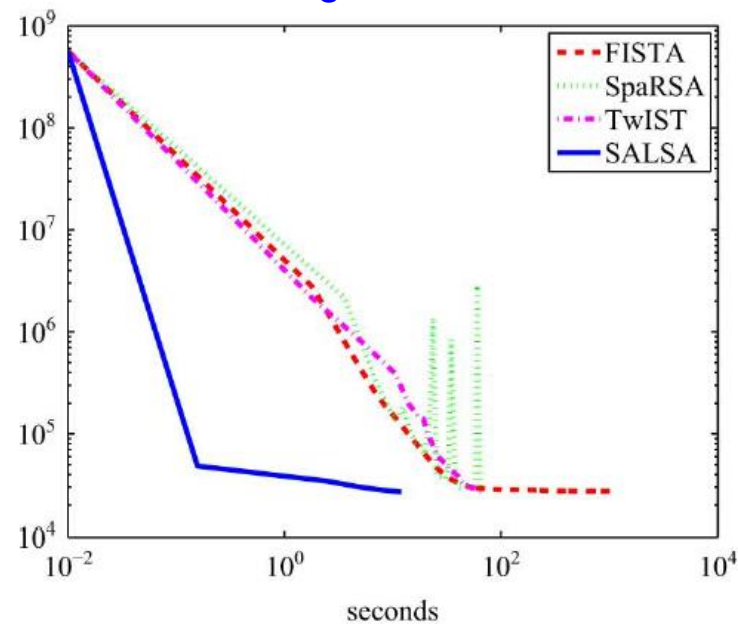
restored



undecimated Haar frame,  $\ell_1$  regularization.

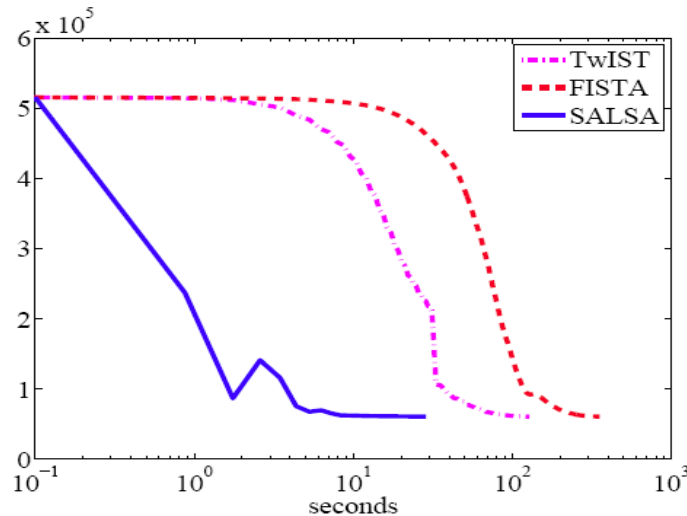


TV regularization



# SALSA Experiments

Image inpainting  
(50% missing)



| Alg.  | Calls to $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}^H$ | Iter. | CPU time<br>(sec.) | MSE<br>MSE | ISNR<br>(dB) |
|-------|-------------------------------------|-------|--------------------|------------|--------------|
| FISTA | 1022                                | 340   | 263.8              | 92.01      | 18.96        |
| TwIST | 271                                 | 124   | 112.7              | 100.92     | 18.54        |
| SALSA | 84                                  | 28    | 20.88              | 77.61      | 19.68        |

**Conjecture:** SALSA is fast because it's *blessed* by the matrix inversion;  
e.g.,  $\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I}$  is the (regularized) Hessian of the data term;  
...second-order (curvature) information (Newton, Levenberg-Maquardt)

# Frame-Based Analysis Deconvolution of Poissonian Images

Problem template: 
$$\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{u}) \quad (P1)$$

positivity  
constraint

Frame-analysis regularization: 
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_P(\mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}\|_1 + \underbrace{\iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}(\mathbf{x})}_{\text{positivity constraint}}$$

Same form as (P1) with:  $J = 3, \quad g_1 = \mathcal{L}_P, \quad g_2 = \|\cdot\|_1, \quad g_3 = \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$

Convergence conditions:  $g_1, g_2$ , and  $g_3$  are closed, proper, and convex.

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{P} \\ \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{has full column rank}$$

Required inversion: 
$$\left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + 2 \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1}$$

...again, easy in periodic deconvolution, MRI, inpainting, ...

# Proximity Operator of the Poisson Log-Likelihood

Proximity operator of the Poisson log-likelihood

$$\text{prox}_{\mathcal{L}/\mu}(\mathbf{u}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \sum_i \xi(z_i, y_i) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2$$
$$\xi(z, y) = z + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+}(z) - y \log(z_+)$$

Separable problem with closed-form (non-negative) solution

[Combettes, Pesquet, 09, 11]:

$$\text{prox}_{\xi(\cdot, y)}(u) = \frac{1}{2} \left( u - \frac{1}{\mu} + \sqrt{\left( u - (1/\mu) \right)^2 + 4y/\mu} \right)$$

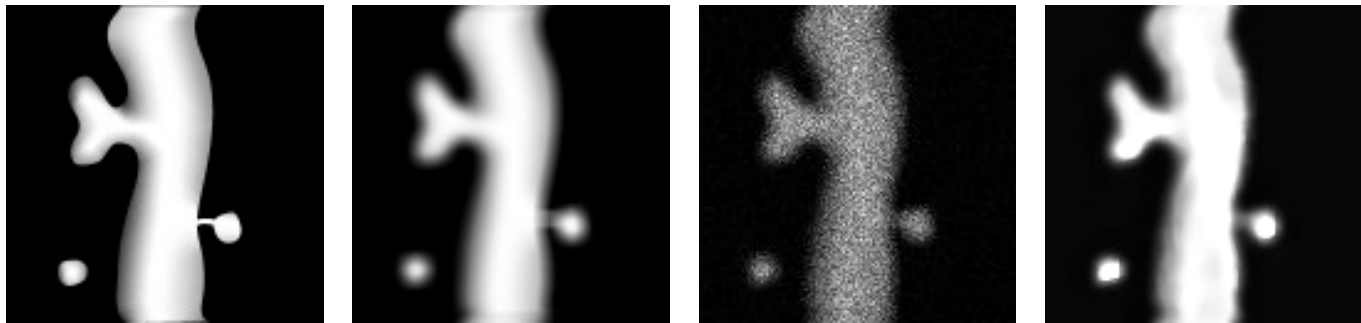
Proximity operator of  $g_3 = \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$  is simply  $\text{prox}_{\iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x})_+$

# Experiments

**PIDAL** = Poisson image deconvolution by augmented Lagrangian  
[F and Bioucas-Dias, 2010]

Comparison with [Dupé, Fadili, Starck, 09] and [Starck, Bijaoui, Murtagh, 95]

| Image     | $M$ | PIDAL-TV |            |      | PIDAL-FA |            |      | [Dupé, Fadili, Starck, 09] |            |      | [Starck et al, 95] |
|-----------|-----|----------|------------|------|----------|------------|------|----------------------------|------------|------|--------------------|
|           |     | MAE      | iterations | time | MAE      | iterations | time | MAE                        | iterations | time | MAE                |
| Cameraman | 5   | 0.27     | 120        | 22   | 0.26     | 70         | 13   | 0.35                       | 6          | 4.5  | 0.37               |
| Cameraman | 30  | 1.29     | 51         | 9.1  | 1.22     | 39         | 7.4  | 1.47                       | 98         | 75   | 2.06               |
| Cameraman | 100 | 3.99     | 33         | 6.0  | 3.63     | 36         | 6.8  | 4.31                       | 426        | 318  | 5.58               |
| Cameraman | 255 | 8.99     | 32         | 5.8  | 8.45     | 37         | 7.0  | 10.26                      | 480        | 358  | 12.3               |
| Neuron    | 5   | 0.17     | 117        | 3.6  | 0.18     | 66         | 2.9  | 0.19                       | 6          | 3.9  | 0.19               |
| Neuron    | 30  | 0.68     | 54         | 1.8  | 0.77     | 44         | 2.0  | 0.82                       | 161        | 77   | 0.95               |
| Neuron    | 100 | 1.75     | 43         | 1.4  | 2.04     | 41         | 1.8  | 2.32                       | 427        | 199  | 2.88               |
| Neuron    | 255 | 3.52     | 43         | 1.4  | 3.47     | 42         | 1.9  | 5.25                       | 202        | 97   | 6.31               |
| Cell      | 5   | 0.12     | 56         | 10   | 0.11     | 36         | 7.6  | 0.12                       | 6          | 4.5  | 0.12               |
| Cell      | 30  | 0.57     | 31         | 6.5  | 0.54     | 39         | 8.2  | 0.56                       | 85         | 64   | 0.47               |
| Cell      | 100 | 1.71     | 85         | 15   | 1.46     | 31         | 6.4  | 1.72                       | 215        | 162  | 1.37               |
| Cell      | 255 | 3.77     | 89         | 17   | 3.33     | 34         | 7.0  | 5.45                       | 410        | 308  | 3.10               |



$$\text{MAE} \equiv \frac{\|\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x}\|_1}{n}$$

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution

Analysis formulation for deconvolution  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$

ADMM / SALSA easy (only?) if  $\mathbf{A}$  is circulant (periodic convolution via FFT)

Periodicity is an  
**artificial** assumption

...as are other boundary conditions (BC)

Neumann

Dirichlet



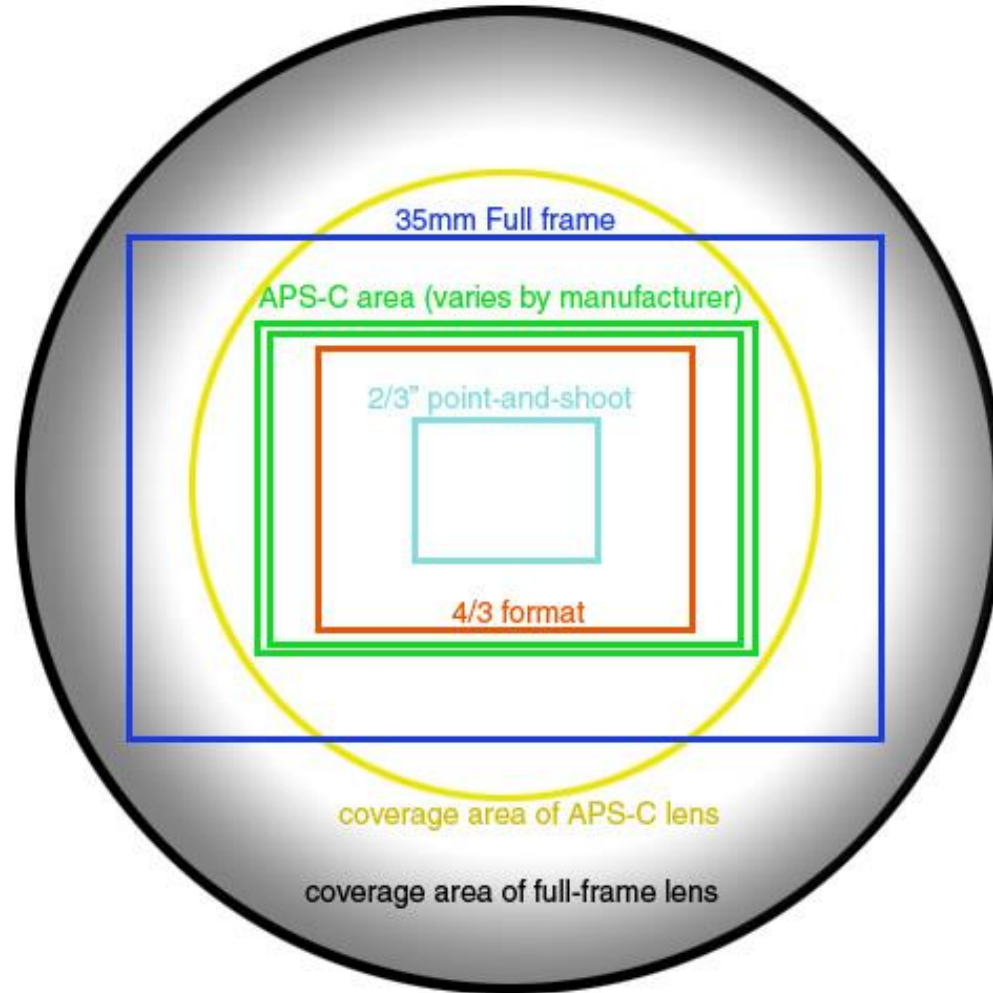
$\mathbf{A}$  is (block) circulant

$\mathbf{A}$  is (block) Toeplitz + Hankel

$\mathbf{A}$  is (block) Toeplitz

[Ng, Chan, Tang, 1999]

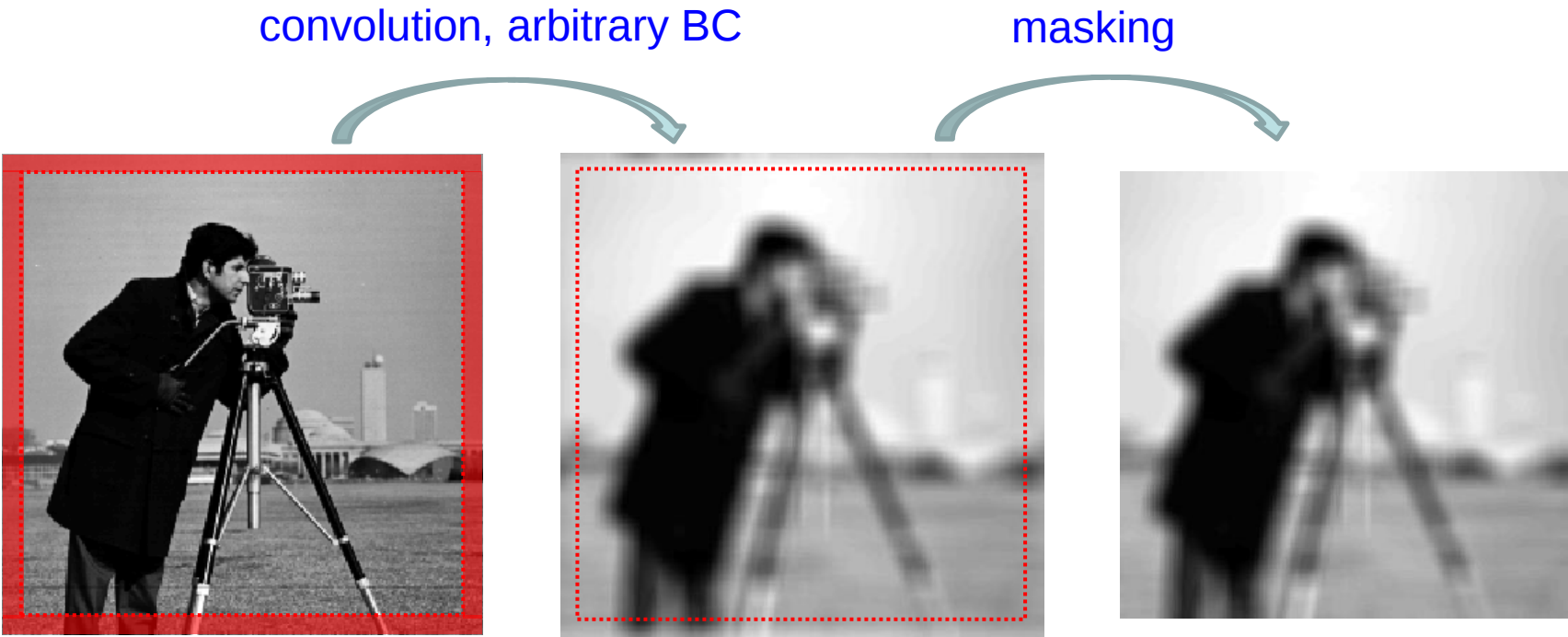
# Why Periodic, Neumann, Dirichlet Boundary Conditions are “wrong”



# Non-Periodic Deconvolution

The natural choice: the boundary is unknown

[Chan, Yip, Park, 05], [Reeves, 05], [Sorel, 12], [Almeida, F, 12,13], [Matakos, Ramani, Fessler, 12, 13]



unknown values

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBx} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

mask      periodic convolution

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution (Frame-Analysis)

Problem:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBx} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{Px}\|_1$

Template:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$

Naïve mapping:  $J = 2$  ,  $g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2$ ,  $g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \tau \|\mathbf{z}\|_1$   
 $\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{MB}$   $\mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{P}$ ,

Difficulty: need to compute  $\left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{MB} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{MB} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1}$

...the tricks above are no longer applicable.

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution (Frame-Analysis)

Problem:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{M}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}\|_1$

Template:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$

Better mapping:  $J = 2, \quad g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{M}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2, \quad g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \tau \|\mathbf{z}\|_1$   
 $\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{B} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{P},$

$$\left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} \quad \text{easy via FFT (B is circulant)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{prox}_{g_1/\mu}(\mathbf{u}) &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \frac{1}{2\mu} \|\mathbf{M}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \\ &= \text{diagonal} \left( \mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{M} + \mu \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} (\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{y} + \mu \mathbf{u}) \end{aligned}$$

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution: Example (19x19 uniform blur)

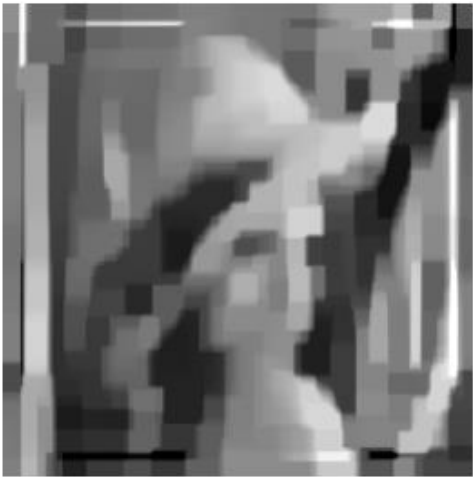


original ( $256 \times 256$ )



observed ( $238 \times 238$ )

Assuming periodic BC



FA-BC (ISNR = -2.52dB)

Edge tapering



FA-ET (ISNR = 3.06dB)

Proposed



FA-MD (ISNR = 10.63dB)

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution: Example (19x19 motion blur)



original ( $256 \times 256$ )



observed ( $238 \times 238$ )

Assuming periodic BC



TV-BC (ISNR = 0.91dB)

Edge tapering



TV-ET (ISNR = 9.38dB)

Proposed



TV-MD (ISNR = 12.59dB)

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution + Inpainting

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBx} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau c(\mathbf{x})$$

Mask the boundary  
**and** the missing pixels

periodic convolution



original (256 × 256)



observed (238 × 238)

Also applicable to super-resolution  
(ongoing work)



FA-CG (SNR = 20.58dB)



FA-MD (SNR = 20.57dB)

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution via Accelerated IST

The synthesis formulation is easily handled by IST (or FISTA, TwIST, SpaRSA,...)  
[Matakos, Ramani, Fessler, 12, 13]

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBW}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$$

periodic convolution

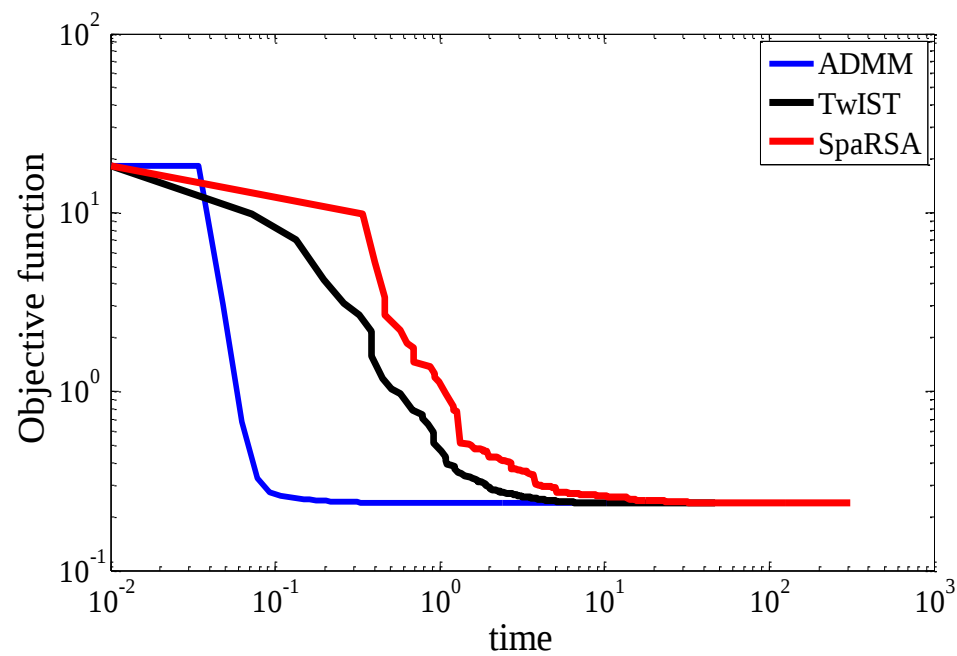
mask

Parseval frame synthesis

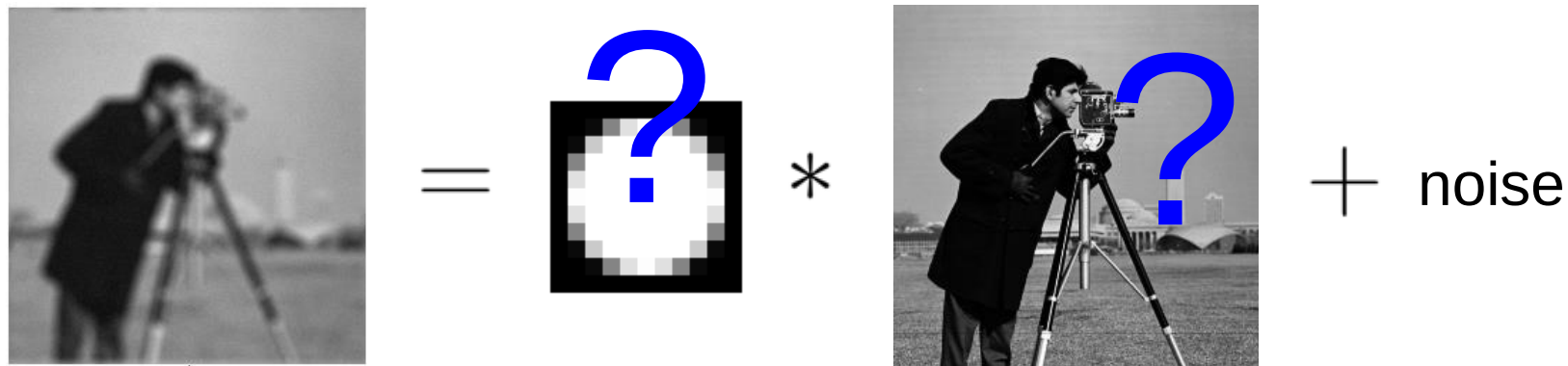
Ingredients:

$$\text{prox}_{\tau \|\cdot\|_1}(\mathbf{u}) = \text{soft}(\mathbf{u}, \tau)$$
$$\nabla \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBW}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{M}^* (\mathbf{MBW}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

(analysis formulation cannot be addressed by IST, FISTA, SpaRSA, TwIST,...)



# Into the Non-convex Realm: Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

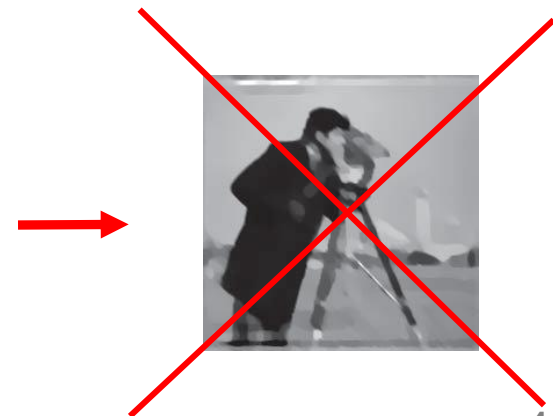

$$\text{Blurred Image} = \text{Kernel} * \text{Original Image} + \text{noise}$$

Degradation model:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h} * \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}$

## Difficulties:

- Ill-posed* :
- infinite number of solutions.
  - ill-conditioned blurring operator.

Unknown boundaries (usually ignored)



# BID Methods and Restrictions on the Blurring Filter

## Hard restrictions: (parameterized filters)

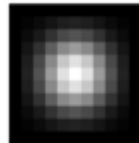
- **circular** blurs:  
[Yin *et al*, 06]



- **linear** blurs:  
[Krahmer *et al*, 06]  
[Oliveira *et al*, 07]



- **Gaussian** blurs:  
[Rooms *et al*, 04]  
[Krylov *et al*, 09]



## Soft restrictions: (regularized filters)

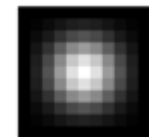
- **TV** regularization:  
[Babacan *et al* 09],  
[Amizic *et al* 10], [li,12]



- **Sparse** regularization:  
[Fregus *et al*, 06];  
[Levin *et al*, 09, 11]  
[Shan *et al*, 08], [Cho, 09]  
[Krishnan, 11],[Xu, 11], [Cai, 12]



- **Smooth** regularization:  
[Joshi *et al*, 08;  
Babacan *et al*, 09]



# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID): Formulation

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h} * \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}$$
 Both  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{h}$  are unknown

Objective function (non-convex):

$$\mathbf{C}_\lambda(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{h}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \lambda \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m (\|\mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{x}\|_2)^q}_{\Phi(\mathbf{x})} + \iota_{\mathcal{S}^+}(\mathbf{h})$$

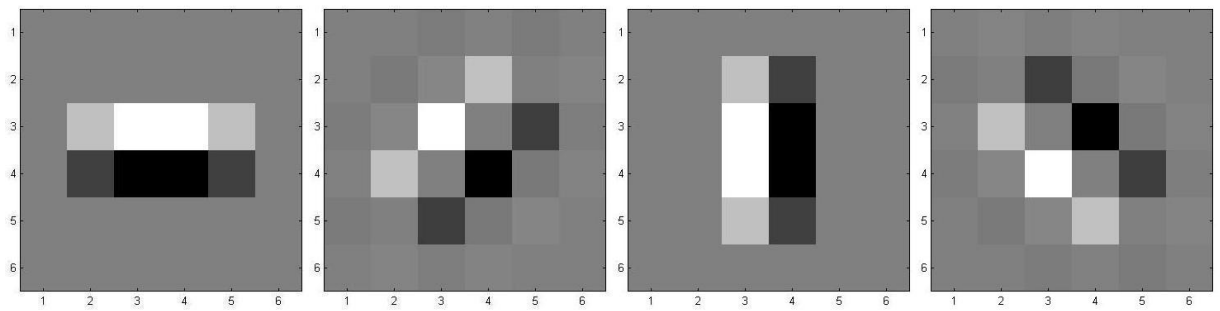
Boundary mask      Matrix representation of the convolution with  $\mathbf{h}$

Support and positivity

[Almeida and F, 13]

$\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  is “enhanced” TV;  $q \in (0, 1]$  (typically 0.5);  
 $\mathbf{F}_i$  is the convolution with four “edge filters” at location  $i$

$$\mathbf{F}_i \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times m}$$
  
$$\mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$$



# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

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**Algorithm 1:** Continuation-based BID.

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2 repeat
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6 until stopping criterion is satisfied
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[Almeida et al, 2010, 2013]

Updating the image estimate

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}\|^2 + \lambda \Phi(\mathbf{x})$$

Standard image deconvolution, with unknown boundaries; ADMM as above.

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

Updating the image estimate

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Template:  $\min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d} \sum_{j=1}^J g_j(\mathbf{H}^{(j)} \mathbf{z})$

Mapping:  $J = m + 1, \quad g_i(\mathbf{z}) = \|\mathbf{z}\|_2^q, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(i)} = \mathbf{F}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m,$$

$$g_{m+1}(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{M}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2, \quad \mathbf{H}^{(m+1)} = \mathbf{B}$$

All the matrices are circulant: matrix inversion step in ADMM easy with FFT.

Also possible to compute  $\text{prox}_{\tau \|\cdot\|_2^q}(\mathbf{u}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^q$   
for  $q \in \left\{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{3}{2}, 2\right\}$

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Updating the blur estimate: notice that  $\mathbf{h} * \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{h}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{h}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{h}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{h}\|^2 + \iota_{\mathcal{S}^+}(\mathbf{h})$$

Like standard image deconvolution, with a support and positivity constraint.

Prox of support and positivity constraint is trivial:  $\text{prox}_{\iota_{\mathcal{S}^+}}(\mathbf{h}) = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}^+}(\mathbf{h})$

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**Question:** when to stop? What value of  $\lambda$  to choose?

For non-blind deconvolution, many approaches for choosing  $\lambda$

generalized cross validation, L-curve, SURE and variants thereof

[Bertero, Poggio, Torre, 88], [Thomson, Brown, Kay, Titterton, 92], [Galatsanos, Kastagellos, 92],  
[Hansen, O'Leary, 93], [Eldar, 09], [Giryes, Elad, Eldar 11], [Luisier, Blu, Unser 09], [Ramani, Blu, Unser, 10],  
[Ramani, Rosen, Nielsen, Fessler, 12],...

Bayesian methods (some for BID)

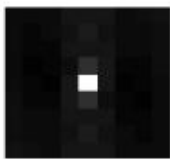
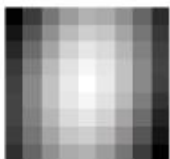
[Babacan, Molina, Katsaggelos, 09], [Fergus et al, 06], [Amizic, Babacan, Molina, Katsaggelos, 10],  
[Chantas, Galatsanos, Molina, Katsaggelos, 10], [Oliveira, Bioucas-Dias, F, 09]

No-reference quality measures [Lee, Lai, Chen, 07], [Zhu, Milanfar, 10]

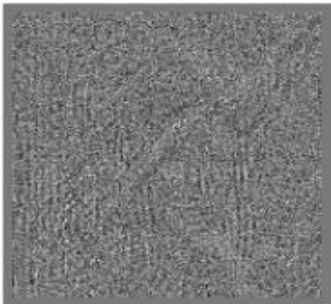
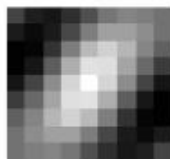
# Blind Image Deconvolution: Stopping Criterion

Proposed rationale: if the blur kernel is well estimated, the residual is white.

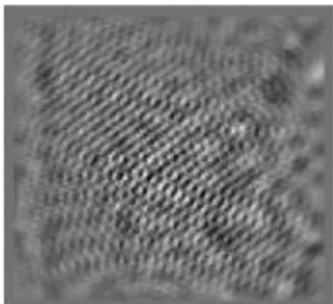
Autocorrelation:



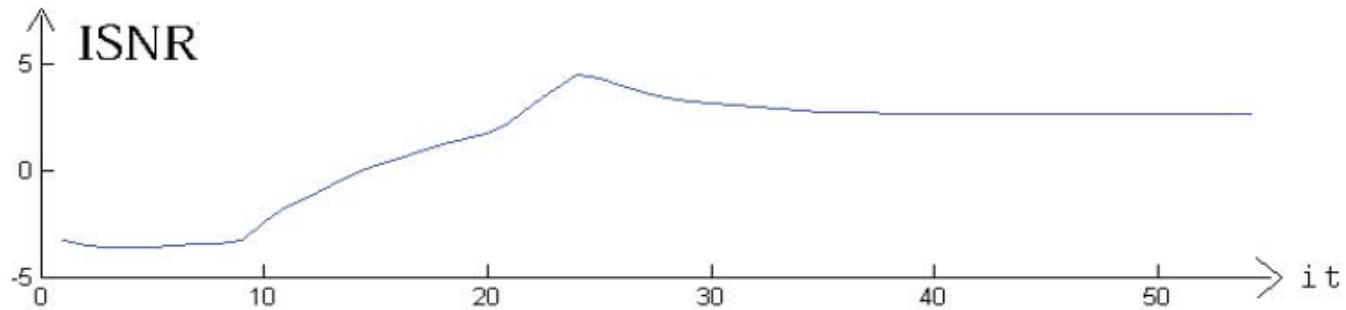
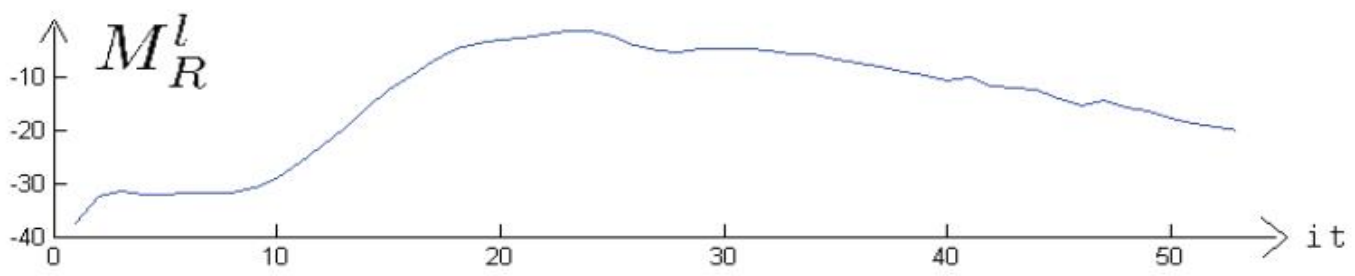
$$R_{rr}$$



Estimated residual



Whiteness:



DEMO

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

## Experiment with real motion blurred photo



Blurred photo



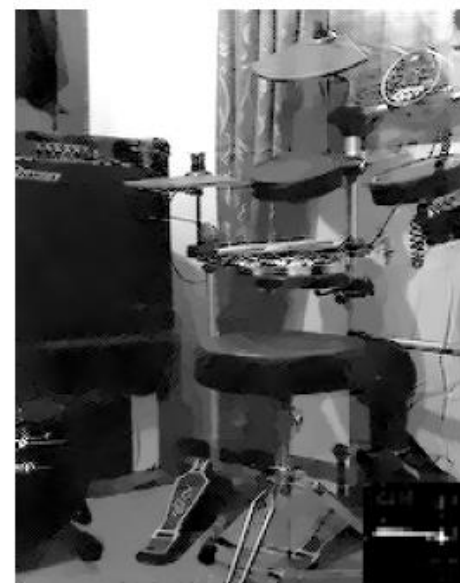
[14], 70 seconds

[Krishnan et al, 2011]



[16], 100 seconds

[Levin et al, 2011]



Proposed method, 55 seconds

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

Experiment with real out-of-focus photo



Observed photo.



[Almeida et al, 2010]



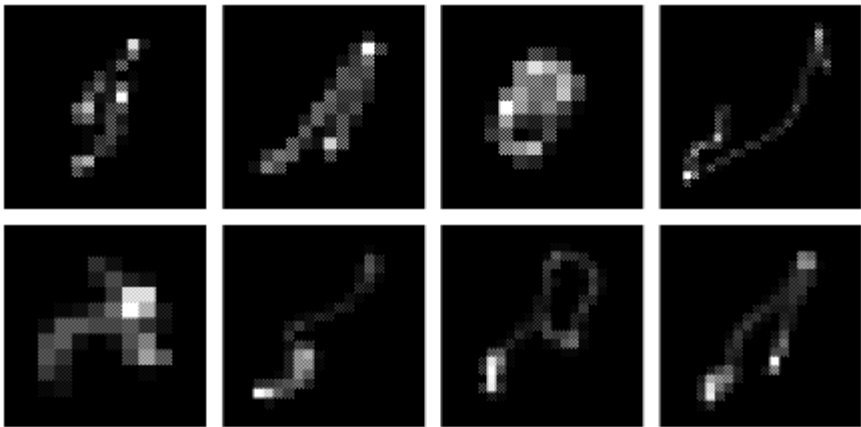
proposed

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID): Synthetic Results

Realistic motion blurs:

[Levin, Weiss, Durant, Freeman, 09]

Images: Lena, Cameraman



Average results over 2 images and 8 blurs:

|               | Method | $\infty$ dB      | 40dB             | 30dB             |
|---------------|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| ISNR*<br>(dB) | [31]   | 6.14             | 5.90             | 4.91             |
|               | [35]   | 5.51             | 5.72             | 4.79             |
|               | [50]   | 4.70             | 4.70             | 4.30             |
|               | Ours   | <b>9.00</b>      | <b>8.43</b>      | <b>6.70</b>      |
| Time<br>(s)   | [31]   | 80               | 66               | 62               |
|               | [35]   | 399              | 399              | 399              |
|               | [50]   | 1.5 <sup>2</sup> | 1.5 <sup>2</sup> | 1.5 <sup>2</sup> |
|               | Ours   | <b>70</b>        | <b>55</b>        | <b>45</b>        |

[Krishnan et al, 11]

[Levin et al, 11]

[Xu, Jia, 10]

[Krishnan et al, 11]

[Levin et al, 11]

[Xu, Jia, 10] (GPU)

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID): Handling Saturations

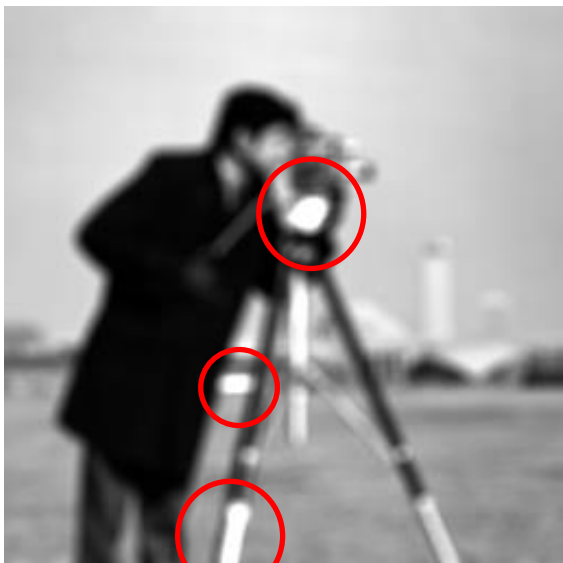
Several digital images have **saturated** pixels (at 0 or max): this impacts BID!

Easy to handle in our approach: **just mask them out**

$$\min(\alpha \mathbf{x} * \mathbf{h}, 255)$$

ignoring saturations

knowing saturations



out-of-focus (disk) blur



# Summary:

- Alternating direction optimization (ADMM) is powerful, versatile, modular.
- Main hurdle: need to solve a linear system (invert a matrix) at each iteration...
- ...however, sometimes this turns out to be an advantage.
- State of the art results in several image/signal reconstruction problems.

**Thanks!**