

# Alternating Direction Optimization for Imaging Inverse Problems

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# 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:

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$c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  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)

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

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

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

$\mathcal{L}$  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)

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

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

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

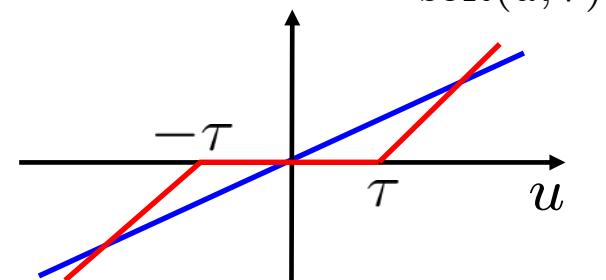
The *Moreau proximity operator* [Moreau 62], [Combettes, Pesquet, Wajs, 01, 03, 05, 07, 10, 11].

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

Classical cases:

$$c(\mathbf{z}) = \iota_C(\mathbf{z}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \Leftarrow \mathbf{z} \in C \\ +\infty & \Leftarrow \mathbf{z} \notin C \end{cases} \Rightarrow \text{Euclidean projection on convex set } C$$

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



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

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

# 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.

Not directly applicable with analysis formulations (but see [Loris, Verhoeven, 11])

IST is usually **slow** (specially if  $\tau$  is small); several accelerated versions:

- 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]

# Variable Splitting + Augmented Lagrangian

Unconstrained (convex) optimization problem:

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

$\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{c \times d}$

Equivalent constrained problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{z} \in \mathbb{R}^d, \mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^c} f_1(\mathbf{z}) + f_2(\mathbf{u}) \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{G} \mathbf{z} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

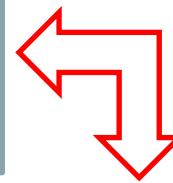
Augmented Lagrangian (AL):

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{z}_{k+1}, \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}} L_\mu(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{u}, \lambda_k) \\ \lambda_{k+1} &= \lambda_k + \mu(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{u}_{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

equivalent



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

# Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (ADMM)

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

Method of multipliers (MM)

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

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

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

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

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

$(\mathbf{z}_k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$  is the sequence produced by ADMM, with  $\mu > 0$   
then, if the problem has a solution, say  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}$ , then

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

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], .....



# (The Art of ) Applying ADMM

Synthesis formulation:

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



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

Template problem for ADMM

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  
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:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{Bx}) + \tau c(\mathbf{Px})$$

Template problem for ADMM

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Easy if:  $c$  is quadratic and  
 $\mathbf{B}$  and  $\mathbf{P}$  diagonalized by common transform (e.g., DFT)

# 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

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

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

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

$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k+1}^{(J)} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} g_J(\mathbf{u}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} + \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)}\|^2 = \text{prox}_{g_J/\mu}(\mathbf{H}^{(J)} \mathbf{z}_{k+1} - \mathbf{d}_k^{(J)})$$

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$$\vdots \qquad \vdots \qquad \vdots$$

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⋮

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⋮      ⋮      ⋮

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

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

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

$O(n \log n)$

$$[\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} = \mathbf{U}^* [|\mathbf{D}|^2 + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} \mathbf{U}$$

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

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

$O(n)$

$$[\mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} \text{ is a diagonal inversion}$$

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

# SALSA for Frame-Based Synthesis

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

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

$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{BW}$

observation matrix

synthesis matrix

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

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

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:

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

Periodic deconvolution:

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{D} \mathbf{U}$$

$O(n \log n)$

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

DFT

diagonal matrix

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

Compressive imaging (MRI):

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U}$$

$O(n \log n)$

$$[\mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{M}^* \mathbf{M} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{W}$$

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

Inpainting (recovery of lost pixels):

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{S}$$

$O(n \log n)$

$$[\mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I}]^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{S}^* \mathbf{S} \mathbf{W}^*$$

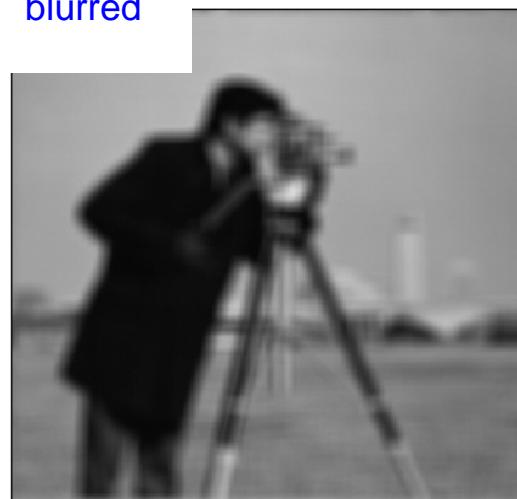
subsampling matrix:  $\mathbf{S} \mathbf{S}^* = \mathbf{I}$

# SALSA Experiments

9x9 uniform blur,

40dB BSNR

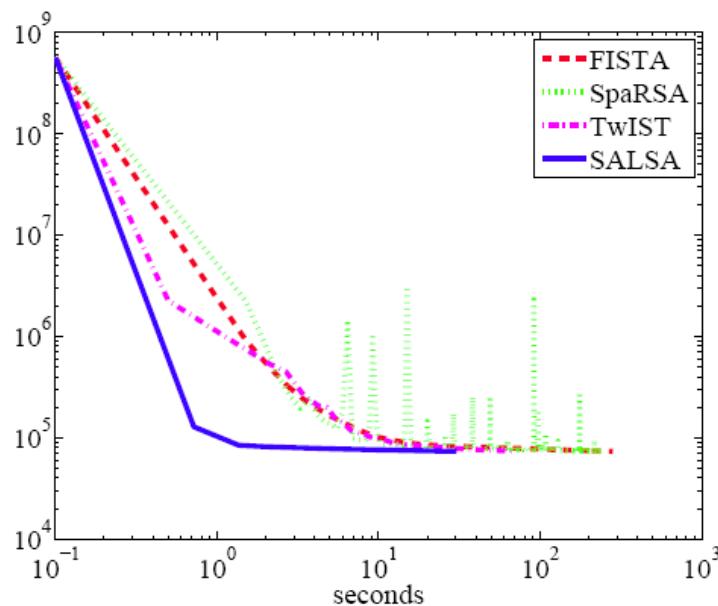
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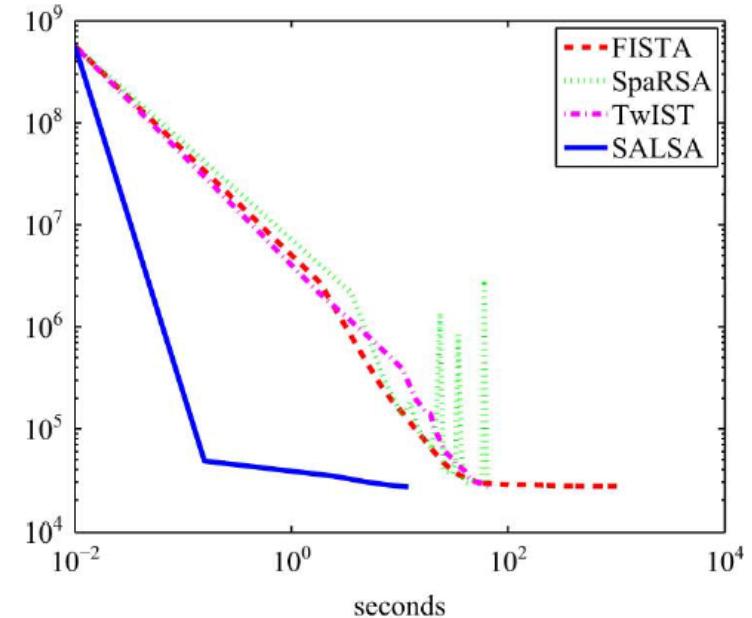
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undecimated Haar frame,  $\ell_1$  regularization.

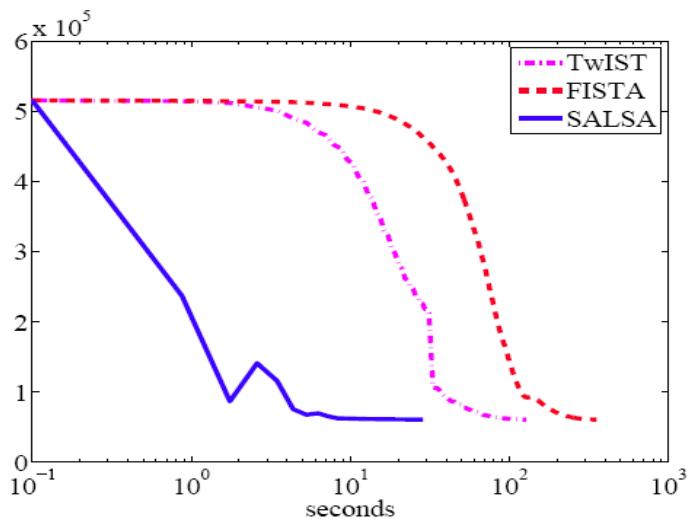


TV regularization



# SALSA Experiments

Image inpainting  
(50% missing)



Alg.	Calls to $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}^H$	Iter.	CPU time (sec.)	MSE MSE	ISNR (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:  $\widehat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{L}_P(\mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}\|_1 + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}(\mathbf{x})$

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

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

...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]:

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

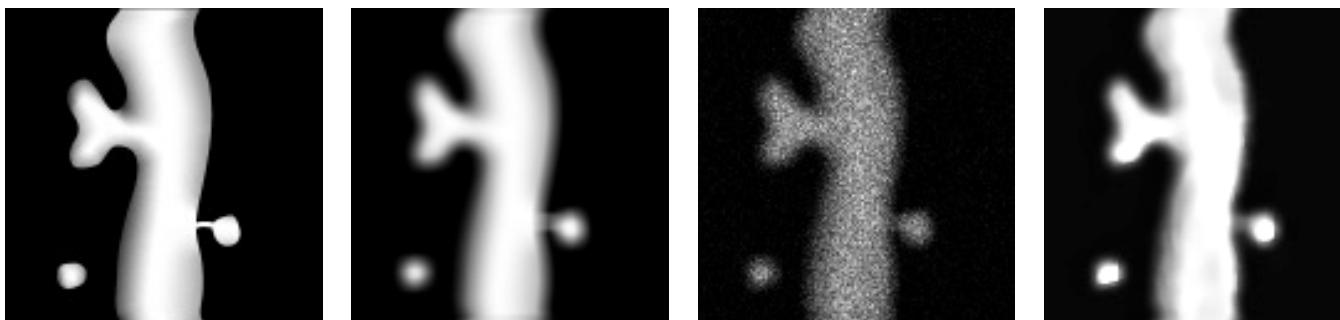
Proximity operator of  $g_3 = \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$  is simply  $\text{prox}_{\iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{x})_+$

# 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	



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

# Morozov Formulation

Unconstrained optimization formulation:

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

Constrained optimization (Morozov) formulation:

basis pursuit denoising, if  $c(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$

[Chen, Donoho, Saunders, 1998]

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} c(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 \leq \varepsilon$$

Both analysis and synthesis can be used:

- frame-based analysis,

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

- frame-based synthesis

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

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

# Proposed Approach for Constrained Formulation

Constrained problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{x}} c(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s.t. } & \| \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y} \|_2^2 \leq \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

...can be written as

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} c(\mathbf{x}) + \iota_{\mathcal{B}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y})}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathcal{B}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \varepsilon\}$$

...which has the form

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

with  $J = 2$ ,  $g_1(\mathbf{z}) = c(\mathbf{z})$ ,  $\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{I}$

$$g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \iota_{E(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y})}(\mathbf{z}), \quad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} \\ \mathbf{A} \end{bmatrix}$$

full column rank

Resulting algorithm: C-SALSA (constrained-SALSA)

[Afonso, Bioucas-Dias, F, 2010,2011]

# Some Aspects of C-SALSA

Moreau proximity operator of  $\iota_{\mathcal{B}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y})}$  is simply a projection on an  $\ell_2$  ball:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{prox}_{\iota_{\mathcal{B}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y})}}(\mathbf{u}) &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \iota_{\mathcal{B}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{y})} + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \\ &= \begin{cases} \mathbf{u} & \Leftarrow \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \varepsilon \\ \mathbf{y} + \frac{\varepsilon(\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{y})}{\|\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{y}\|_2} & \Leftarrow \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 > \varepsilon \end{cases}\end{aligned}$$

As SALSA, also C-SALSA involves a matrix inverse

$$\left[ \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} \mathbf{W} + \mathbf{I} \right]^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad \left[ \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{B} + \mathbf{P}^* \mathbf{P} \right]^{-1}$$

...all the same tricks as above.

# C-SALSA Experiments: Image Deblurring

Image deconvolution benchmark problems:

Experiment	blur kernel	$\sigma^2$
1	9 × 9 uniform	0.56 <sup>2</sup>
2A	Gaussian	2
2B	Gaussian	8
3A	$h_{ij} = 1/(1 + i^2 + j^2)$	2
3B	$h_{ij} = 1/(1 + i^2 + j^2)$	8

NESTA: [Becker, Bobin, Candès, 2011]

SPGL1: [van den Berg, Friedlander, 2009]

Frame-synthesis

Expt.	Avg. calls to $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}^H$ (min/max)			Iterations			CPU time (seconds)		
	SPGL1	NESTA	C-SALSA	SPGL1	NESTA	C-SALSA	SPGL1	NESTA	C-SALSA
1	1029 (659/1290)	3520 (3501/3541)	398 (388/406)	340	880	134	441.16	590.79	100.72
2A	511 (279/663)	4897 (4777/4981)	451 (442/460)	160	1224	136	202.67	798.81	98.85
2B	377 (141/532)	3397 (3345/3473)	362 (355/370)	98	849	109	120.50	557.02	81.69
3A	675 (378/772)	2622 (2589/2661)	172 (166/175)	235	656	58	266.41	423.41	42.56
3B	404 (300/475)	2446 (2401/2485)	134 (130/136)	147	551	41	161.17	354.59	29.57

Frame-analysis

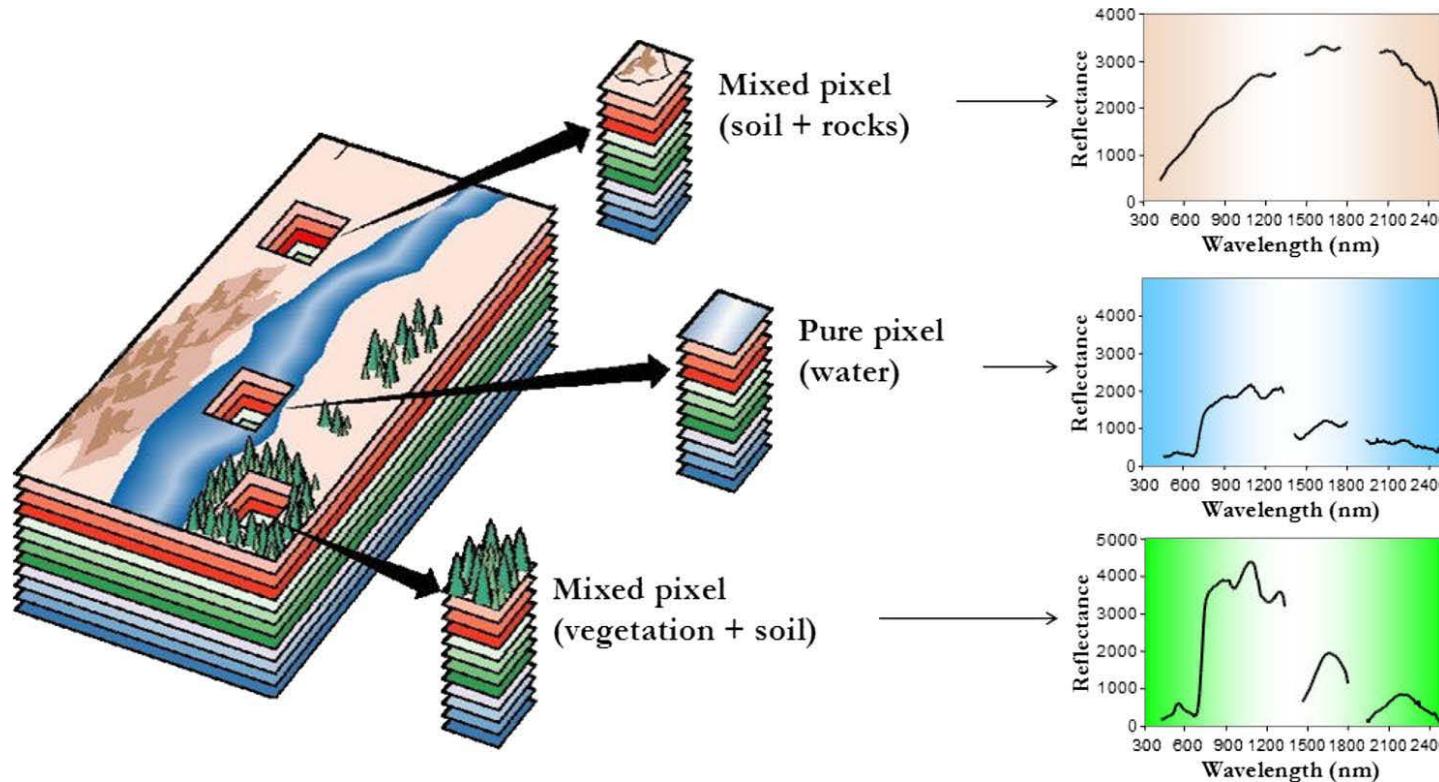
Expt.	Avg. calls to $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}^H$ (min/max)		Iterations		CPU time (seconds)	
	NESTA	C-SALSA	NESTA	C-SALSA	NESTA	C-SALSA
1	2881 (2861/2889)	413 (404/419)	720	138	353.88	80.32
2A	2451 (2377/2505)	362 (344/371)	613	109	291.14	62.65
2B	2139 (2065/2197)	290 (278/299)	535	87	254.94	50.14
3A	2203 (2181/2217)	137 (134/143)	551	42	261.89	23.83
3B	1967 (1949/1985)	116 (113/119)	492	39	236.45	22.38

Total-variation

Expt.	Avg. calls to $\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{B}^H$ (min/max)		Iterations		CPU time (seconds)	
	NESTA	C-SALSA	NESTA	C-SALSA	NESTA	C-SALSA
1	7783 (7767/7795)	695 (680/710)	1945	232	311.98	62.56
2A	7323 (7291/7351)	559 (536/578)	1830	150	279.36	38.63
2B	6828 (6775/6883)	299 (269/329)	1707	100	265.35	25.47
3A	6594 (6513/6661)	176 (98/209)	1649	59	250.37	15.08
3B	5514 (5417/5585)	108 (104/110)	1379	37	210.94	9.23

# Spectral Unmixing

[Bioucas-Dias, F, 10]



Goal: find the relative abundance of each “material” in each pixel.

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}(\mathbf{x}) + \iota_{\{1\}}(\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{x})$$

Given library  
of spectra

indicator of the canonical simplex

# Spectral Unmixing

Problem:  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}(\mathbf{x}) + \iota_{\{1\}}(\mathbf{1}^T \mathbf{x})$

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

Mapping:  $J = 3, \quad g_1(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2, \quad g_2(\mathbf{z}) = \iota_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}(\mathbf{z})$   
 $g_3(z) = \iota_{\{1\}}(z)$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{A}, \quad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{I}, \quad \mathbf{H}^{(3)} = \mathbf{1}^T$$

Proximity operators are trivial.

Matrix inversion:  $\left[ \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathbf{H}^{(j)})^* \mathbf{H}^{(j)} \right]^{-1} = \left[ \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}^T \right]^{-1}$

...can be precomputed; typical sizes 200~300 x 500~1000 (bands x library size)

# Non-Periodic Deconvolution

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

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

Periodicity is an  
**artificial** assumption

...as are other boundary conditions (BC)

Neumann

Dirichlet



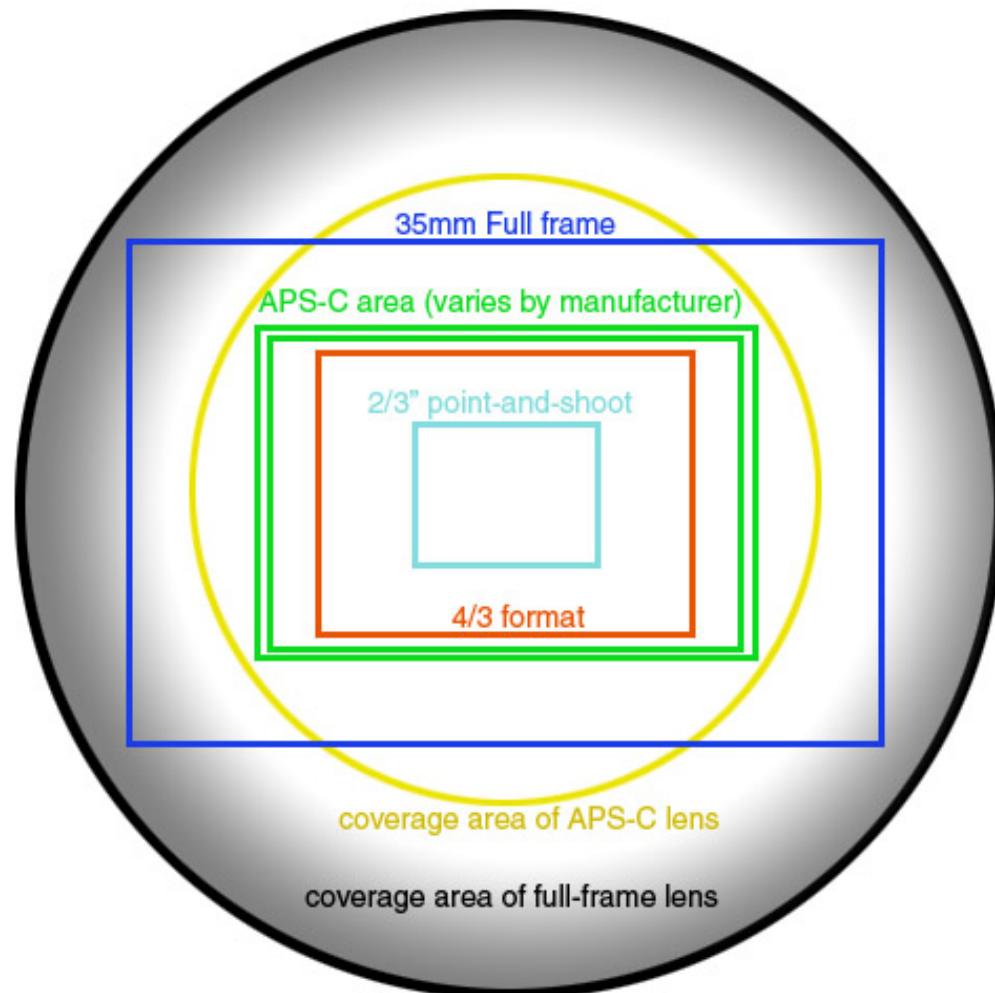
$\mathbf{A}$  is (block) circulant

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

[Ng, Chan, Tang, 1999]

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

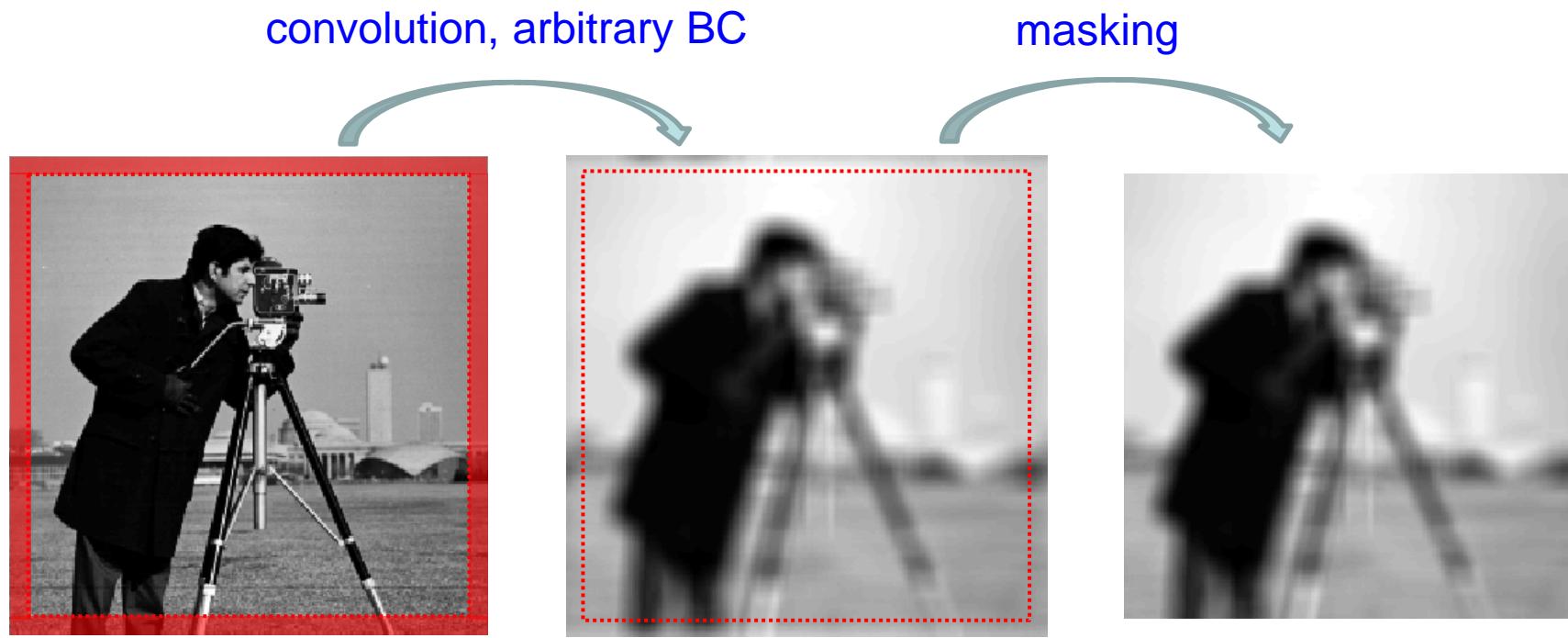
# Why Periodic, Neumann, Dirichlet Boundary Conditions are “wrong”



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

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

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

$$\mathbf{H}^{(1)} = \mathbf{B} \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathbf{H}^{(2)} = \mathbf{P},$$

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

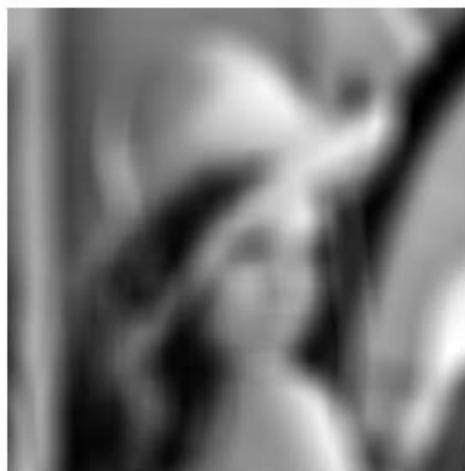
$$\begin{aligned} \text{prox}_{g_1/\mu}(\mathbf{u}) &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \frac{1}{2\mu} \|\mathbf{M}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \\ &= \boxed{(\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{M} + \mu \mathbf{I})^{-1} (\mathbf{M}^T \mathbf{y} + \mu \mathbf{u})} \end{aligned}$$

diagonal

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

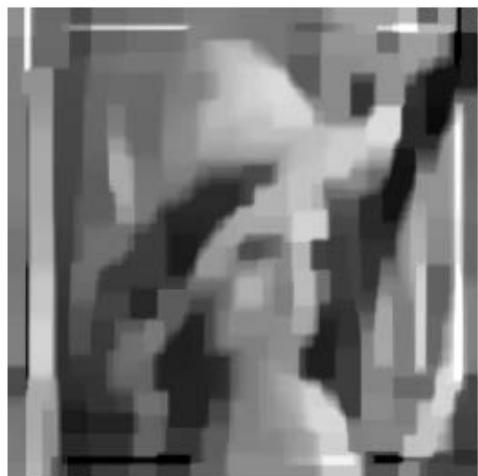


original ( $256 \times 256$ )



observed ( $238 \times 238$ )

Assuming periodic BC



FA-BC (ISNR = -2.52dB)

Edge tapering



FA-ET (ISNR = 3.06dB)

Proposed



FA-MD (ISRN = 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 ( $256 \times 256$ )



observed ( $238 \times 238$ )

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]

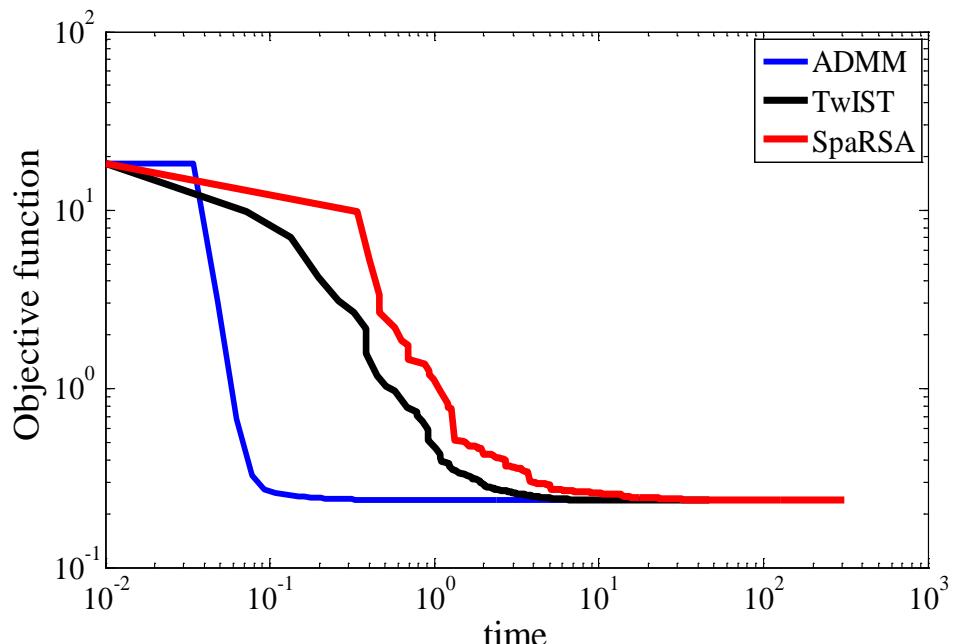
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBWx} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 + \tau \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$$

periodic convolution  
mask      Parseval frame synthesis

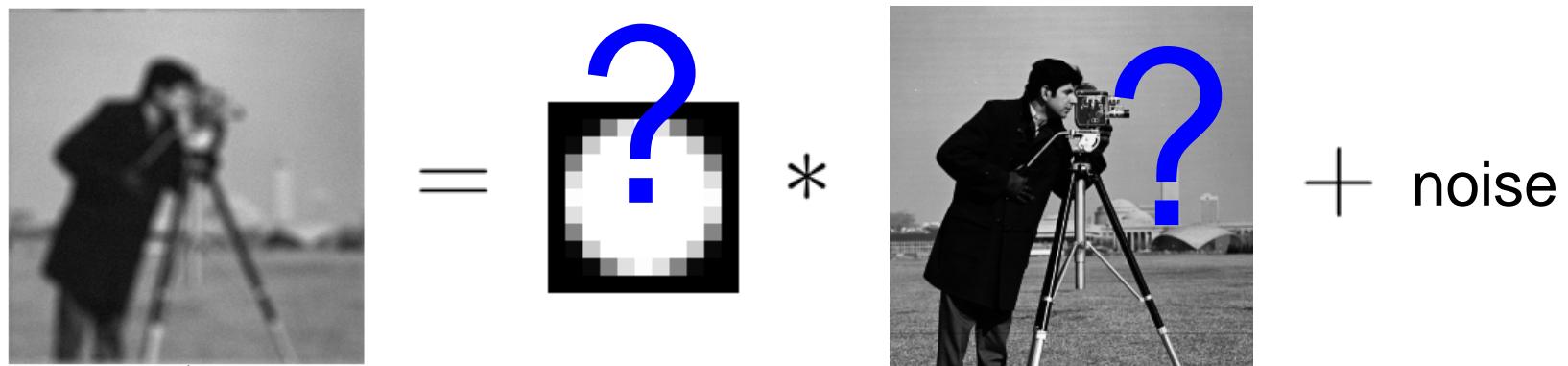
Ingredients:  $\text{prox}_{\tau \|\cdot\|_1}(\mathbf{u}) = \text{soft}(\mathbf{u}, \tau)$

$$\nabla \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{MBWx} - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = \mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{B}^* \mathbf{M}^* (\mathbf{MBWx} - \mathbf{y})$$

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



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

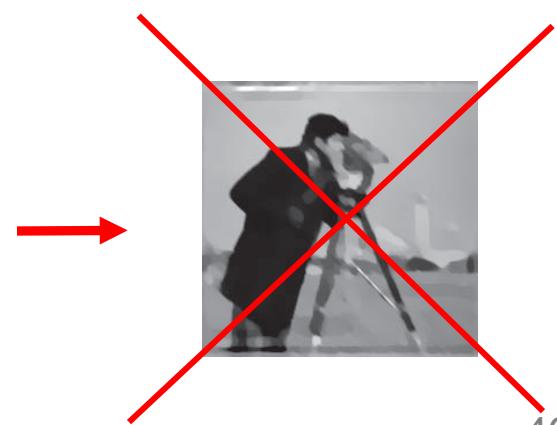


Degradation model:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h} * \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{n}$

## 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)

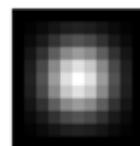
- circular blurs:  
[Yin *et al*, 06]



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

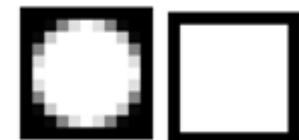


- Gaussian blurs:  
[Rooms *et al*, 04]  
[Krylov *et al*, 09]



## Soft restrictions: (regularized filters)

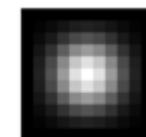
- TV regularization:  
[Babacan *et al* 09],  
[Amizic et all 10], [Li, 12]



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



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



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

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

Objective function (non-convex):

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

Support and positivity

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

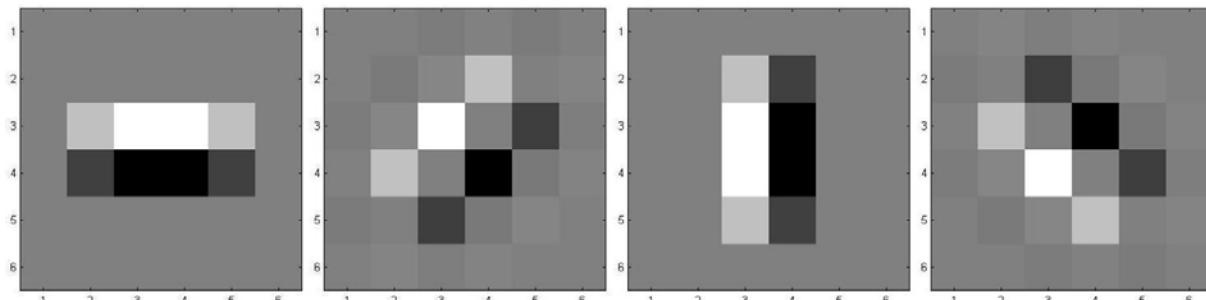
[Almeida and F, 13]

$\Phi(\mathbf{x})$  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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- 1 Set  $\hat{\mathbf{h}}$  to the identity filter,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{y}$  and  $\lambda = \lambda_0$ ; choose  $\alpha < 1$ .
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  - 4      $\hat{\mathbf{h}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{h}} C_{\lambda}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{h})$ ,     update blur estimate
  - 5      $\lambda \leftarrow \alpha \lambda$
  - 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

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{MBx}\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^m (\|\mathbf{F}_i \mathbf{x}\|_2)^q$$

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

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

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

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

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  $q \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}, 1, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{3}{2}, 2\}$

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

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

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, Titterington, 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)

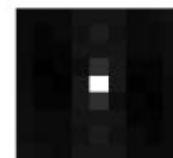
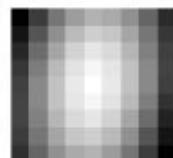
[Babacan, Molina, Katsaggelos, 09], [Fergus et al, 06], [Amizic, Babacan, Molina, Katsaggelos, 10],  
[Chantas, Galatsanos, Molina, Katsaggelos, 10], [Oliveira, Bioucas-Dias, F, 09]

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

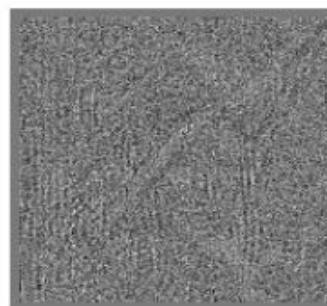
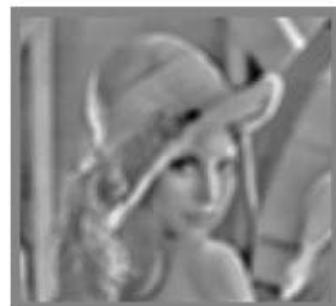
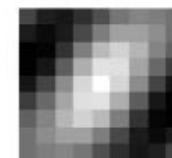
# Blind Image Deconvolution: Stopping Criterion

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

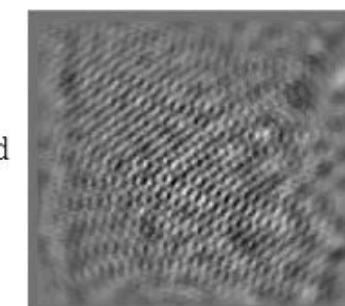
Autocorrelation:



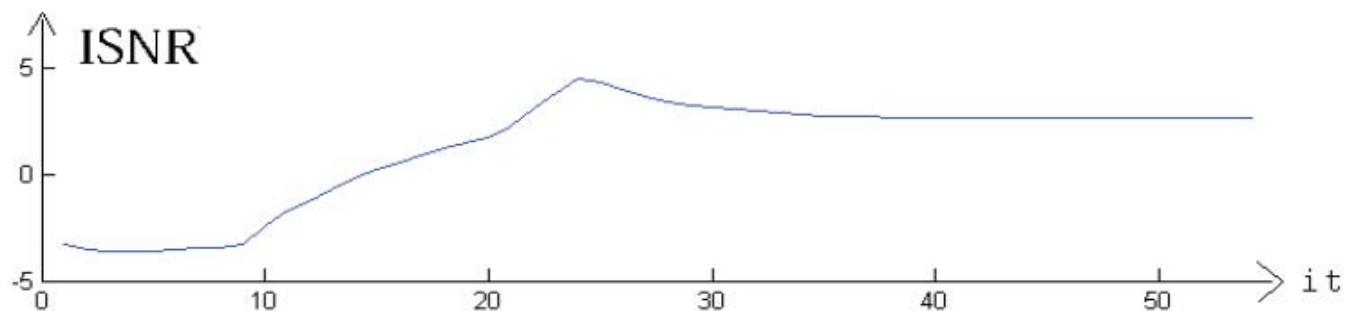
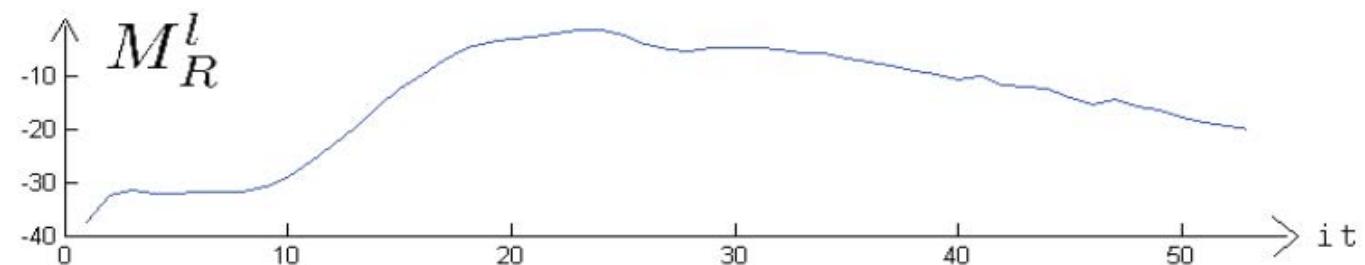
$$R_{rr}$$



Estimated residual

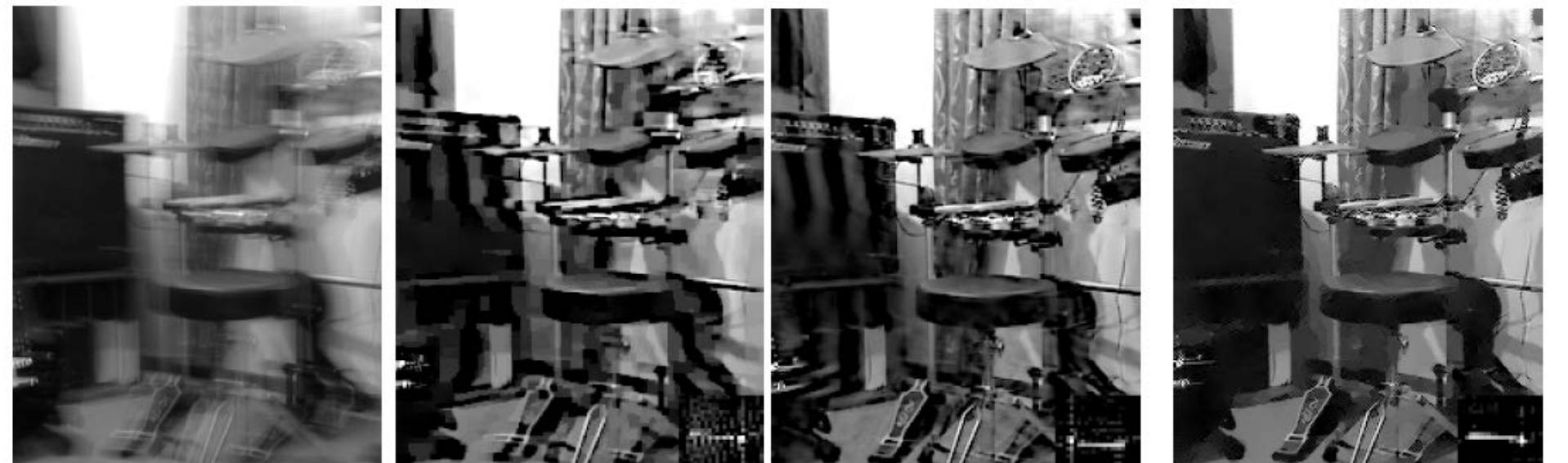


Whiteness:



# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

Experiment with real motion blurred photo



Blurred photo

[14], 70 seconds

[16], 100 seconds

Proposed method, 55 seconds

[Krishnan et al, 2011]

[Levin et al, 2011]

# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID)

Experiment with real out-of-focus photo



Observed photo.



[Almeida et al, 2010]

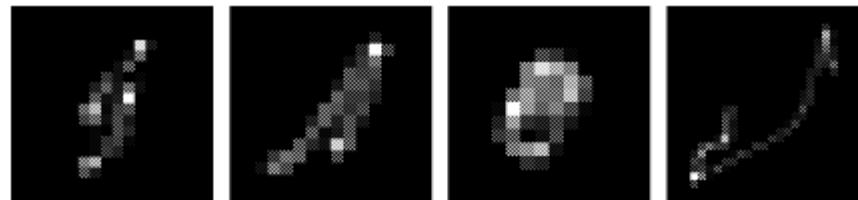


proposed

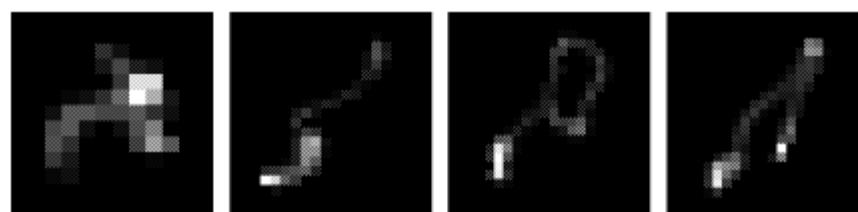
# Blind Image Deconvolution (BID): Synthetic Results

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* (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 (s)	[31]	80	66	62
	[35]	399	399	399
	[50]	$1.5^2$	$1.5^2$	$1.5^2$
	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 Staurations

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!**