# Chapter 4

# Primal-Dual Methods

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#### **Motivation**

We do not have a method to solve problems of the form

$$\min_{u} \|u - f\|_1 + \alpha \|Du\|_1$$

although the proximal mapping of the  $\ell^{\text{1}}\text{-norm}$  is easy to compute.

Can we build an algorithm around

$$\min_{u} \max_{p} G(u) + \langle p, Ku \rangle - F^{*}(p)$$
?

### Proximal mapping as implicit gradient descent

Interesting observation for differentiable *E*:

$$u^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau E}(u^k) \quad \Rightarrow u^{k+1} = u^k - \tau \nabla E(u^{k+1})$$

The proximal mapping does an implicit gradient step!

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### The primal-dual hybrid gradient algorithm

Let us define

$$\mathsf{PD}(u,p) := \mathit{G}(u) + \langle p, \mathit{Ku} \rangle - \mathit{F}^*(p)$$

and try to alternate implicit accent steps in p with implicit descent steps in u:

$$p^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{-\sigma PD(u^k, \cdot)}(p^k)$$
$$u^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau PD(\cdot, p^{k+1})}(u^k)$$

One finds

$$\begin{aligned} p^{k+1} &= \mathsf{prox}_{-\sigma PD(u^k, \cdot)}(p^k), \\ &= \underset{p}{\mathsf{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|p - p^k\|^2 + \sigma F^*(p) - \sigma \langle Ku^k, p \rangle \\ &= \underset{p}{\mathsf{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|p - p^k - \sigma Ku^k\|^2 + \sigma F^*(p) \\ &= \mathsf{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma Ku^k) \end{aligned}$$

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### Primal-dual hybrid gradient method

We found

$$\begin{split} p^{k+1} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\sigma F^*} (p^k + \sigma K u^k), \\ u^{k+1} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\tau G} (u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}). \end{split}$$

One should make one (currently unintuitive) modification:

### **PDHG**

We will call the iteration

$$\begin{aligned} p^{k+1} &= \operatorname{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K \overline{u}^k), \\ u^{k+1} &= \operatorname{prox}_{\tau G}(u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}), \\ \overline{u}^{k+1} &= 2u^{k+1} - u^k. \end{aligned}$$
 (PDHG)

the **Primal-Dual Hybrid Gradient Method**. As we will see, it converges if  $\tau\sigma<\frac{1}{\|K\|^2}$ .

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### **References for PDHG**

PDHG is commonly referred to as the Chambolle and Pock algorithm. Nevertheless, several authors contributed to the development. PDHG can be also be derived as a preconditioned version of a classical method (more later).

Here is a (likely imcomplete) list of relevant papers:

- Pock, Cremers, Bischof, Chambolle, A convex relaxation approach for computing minimal partitions.
- Esser, Zhang, Chan, A General Framework for a Class of First Order Primal-Dual Algorithms for Convex Optimization in Imaging Science.
- Chambolle, Pock, A first-order primal-dual algorithm for convex problems with applications to imaging.
- Zhang, Burger Osher, A unified primal-dual algorithm framework based on Bregman iteration.

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### **Understanding PDHG**

Why does PDHG work?

- 1. Sanity check: If the algorithm converges, we found a minimizer!
- 2. Why does PDHG converge? Computation on the board:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix}}_{=:T} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau}I & -K^T \\ -K & \frac{1}{\sigma}I \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}$$

for the set-valued operator  $T:\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n o \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n) imes \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ 

$$T(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \{K^T p\} + \partial G(u) \\ \partial F^*(p) - \{Ku\} \end{pmatrix}$$

for 
$$z = (u; p)$$
.

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### **Fixed point iteration**

We found the optimality condition

$$0\in Tz^{k+1}+M(z^{k+1}-z^k)$$

for a set-valued operator *T* and a matrix *M*. Let us define the process of computing the next iterate as the *resolvent* 

$$z^{k+1} = (M+T)^{-1}(Mz^k).$$
 (CPPA)

We already know one example of an iteration of the same form,

$$u^{k+1} = prox_E(u^k) = (I + \tau \partial E)^{-1}(u^k)$$

the proximal point algorithm.

The update (CPPA) is structurally very similar, so we can for the same tools to help us with the convergence analysis. We will call it a *customized proximal point algorithm* (CPPA). Primal-Dual Methods

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### Convergence of the CPPA

Remember what we did for the proximal gradient algorithm?

 $\rightarrow$  Show that  $prox_E = (I + \tau \partial E)^{-1}$  is firmly nonexpansive, i.e. averaged with  $\alpha = 1/2$ .

Remember what the crucial inequality was?

$$\langle \rho_u - \rho_v, u - v \rangle \geq 0 \qquad \forall u, v, \rho_u \in \partial E(u), \rho_v \in \partial E(v)$$

This can be generalized!

### **Monotone Operator**

A set valued operator T is called *monotone* if the inequality

$$\langle p_u - p_v, u - v \rangle \geq 0$$

holds for all  $u, v, p_u \in T(u)$  and  $p_v \in T(v)$ .

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### Convergence of the CPPA

This has the potential to show convergence of

$$0 \in T(z^{k+1}) + z^{k+1} - z^k,$$
 (PPA)

provided that the above iteration is well-defined, i.e. the resolvent  $(I+T)^{-1}(z)$  is defined for any  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . This is a technical issue which can be resolved by considering *maximal* monotone operators. In the settings we are considering, this is not an issue.

### Convergence proximal point algorithm

Let T be a maximal monotone operator, and let there exist a z such that  $0 \in T(z)$ . Then the (generalized) proximal point algorithm (PPA) converges to a point  $\tilde{z}$  with  $0 \in T(\tilde{z})$ .

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### Convergence of the CPPA

But we wrote the PDHG algorithm as

$$0 \in T(z^{k+1}) + Mz^{k+1} - Mz^k,$$
 (CPPA)

i.e. with an additional matrix *M*.

Idea: For symmetric positive definite matrices, write  $M = L^T L$  and rewrite (CPPA) as

$$0 \in L^{-T} T L^{-1}(\zeta^{k+1}) + \zeta^{k+1} - \zeta^{k},$$
 (CPPA)

with  $\zeta^k = Lz^k$ , and

$$L^{-T}TL^{-1}(\zeta) = \{ q \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid q = L^{-T}p, \ p \in T(L^{-1}\zeta) \}.$$

### Lemma

If *T* is monotone, then  $L^{-T}TL^{-1}$  is monotone, too.

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### **Convergence conclusions CPPA**

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### **Convergence CPPA**

Let T be a maximally monotone operator. Let there exist a z such that  $0 \in T(z)$ , and let the matrix M be symmetric positive definite. Then the customized proximal point algorithm

$$z^{k+1} = (M + T)^{-1}(Mz^k)$$

converges to a  $\hat{z}$  with  $0 \in T(z)$ .

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### **Convergence conclusions PDHG**

The primal-dual hybrid gradient method

$$p^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K(2u^k - u^{k-1})),$$
  
 $u^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau G}(u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}),$  (PDHG)

can be rewritten (after an index shift) as

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix}}_{=:T} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau}I & -K^T \\ -K & \frac{1}{\sigma}I \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}.$$

### Convergence PDHG

The operator T is maximally monotone. For  $\tau \sigma < \frac{1}{\|K\|^2}$  the matrix M in the PDHG algorithm is positive definite. Hence, PDHG converges.

(Assuming F and G to be proper, closed, and convex, assuming there is a  $u \in ri(G)$  such that  $Ku \in ri(F)$ , and assuming the existence of a minimizer).

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### **ROF Denoising**

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \frac{1}{2} \|u - f\|^2 + \alpha \|Ku\|_{2,1}$$

with K being a discretization of the multichannel gradient operator.





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### **ROF Denoising**

We write

$$\min_{u} P(u) = \min_{u} \max_{p} \frac{1}{2} \|u - f\|^2 + \langle Ku, p \rangle - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p).$$

The (PDHG) updates are

$$p^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k)$$
  
 $u^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau G}(u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}),$   
 $\bar{u}^{k+1} = 2u^{k+1} - u^k.$ 

which in this case amounts to

$$\begin{split} p^{k+1} &= \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| p - (p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k) \|^2 + \sigma \iota_{\| \cdot \|_{2,\infty} \le \alpha}(p), \\ u^{k+1} &= \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| u - (u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}) \|^2 + \frac{\tau}{2} \| u - f \|^2 \\ &= \frac{u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1} + \tau f}{1 + \tau} \\ \bar{u}^{k+1} &= 2u^{k+1} - u^k. \end{split}$$

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### TV-L<sup>1</sup> Denoising

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \|u - f\|_1 + \alpha \|Ku\|_{2,1}$$

with K being a discretization of the multichannel gradient operator.





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### TV-L<sup>1</sup> Denoising

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$$\min_{u} P(u) = \min_{u} \max_{p} \frac{1}{2} ||u - f||_{1} + \langle Ku, p \rangle - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p).$$

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$$p^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k)$$
  

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which in this case amounts to

An exercise! :-)

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### TV-Inpainting

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \iota_{f_{|I|}}(u) + \alpha ||Ku||_{2,1}$$

with K being a discretization of the color gradient operator, and

$$\iota_{f_{|I|}}(u) = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 0 & ext{if } u_i = f_i ext{ for all } i \in I, \ \infty & ext{otherwise.} \end{array} 
ight.$$





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### **TV-Inpainting**

We write

$$\min_{u} P(u) = \min_{u} \max_{p} \iota_{f_{||}}(u) + \langle \mathit{K} u, p \rangle - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p).$$

The (PDHG) updates are

$$\begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{p}^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(\boldsymbol{p}^k + \sigma K \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}^k) \\ & \boldsymbol{u}^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau G}(\boldsymbol{u}^k - \tau K^* \boldsymbol{p}^{k+1}), \\ & \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{u}_i^{k+1} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} f_i & \text{if } i \in I, \\ (\boldsymbol{u}^k - \tau K^* \boldsymbol{p}^{k+1})_i & \text{otherwise.} \end{array} \right. \\ & \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}^{k+1} = 2\boldsymbol{u}^{k+1} - \boldsymbol{u}^k. \end{aligned}$$

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### **TV-Deblurring**

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \frac{1}{2} ||Au - f||^2 + \alpha ||Ku||_{2,1}$$

with K being a discretization of the multichannel gradient operator, A being a convolution with a blur kernel.





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### **TV-Deblurring - Option 1**

We write

$$\min_{u} P(u) = \min_{u} \max_{p} \frac{1}{2} ||Au - f||^2 + \langle Ku, p \rangle - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p).$$

The (PDHG) updates are

$$p^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k)$$

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which in this case amounts to

$$\begin{split} p^{k+1} &= \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| p - (p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k) \|^2 + \sigma \iota_{\| \cdot \|_{2,\infty} \le \alpha}(p), \\ u^{k+1} &= \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| u - (u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}) \|^2 + \frac{\tau}{2} \| A u - f \|^2 \\ &= (I + \tau A^* A)^{-1} (u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1} + \tau f) \\ \bar{u}^{k+1} &= 2 u^{k+1} - u^k. \end{split}$$

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### **TV-Deblurring - Option 2**

We write

$$\min_{u} P(u)$$

$$= \min_{u} \max_{p,q} \langle Au - f, q \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|q\|^2 + \langle Ku, p \rangle - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p)$$

$$= \min_{u} \max_{p,q} \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} A \\ K \end{pmatrix} u, \begin{pmatrix} q \\ p \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle - \langle f, q \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|q\|^2 - \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \leq \alpha}(p)$$

Now we have

$$F^*(p,q) = \langle f,q \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \|q\|^2 + \iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty} \le \alpha}(p)$$
 $G(u) = 0$ 
 $\tilde{K} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ K \end{pmatrix}$ 

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### **TV-Deblurring - Option 2**

The (PDHG) updates are

$$\begin{split} q^{k+1} &= \underset{q}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| q - (q^k + \sigma A \bar{u}^k) \|^2 + \sigma \langle f, q \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \| q \|^2, \\ p^{k+1} &= \underset{p}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \| p - (p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k) \|^2 + \sigma \iota_{\| \cdot \|_{2,\infty} \le \alpha}(p), \\ u^{k+1} &= u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1} - \tau A^* q^{k+1} \\ \bar{u}^{k+1} &= 2 u^{k+1} - u^k. \end{split}$$

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### **TV-Zooming**

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \frac{1}{2} ||Au - f||^2 + \alpha ||Ku||_{2,1}$$

with K being a discretization of the multichannel gradient operator, A = DB, with B being a convolution with a blur kernel, and D being a downsampling, e.g. a matrix

PDHG implementation: Option 2 from the previous example.

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### **TV-Zooming**



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Nearest neighbor



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### **Image Segmentation**

$$\min P(u) = \min_{u} \iota_{\Delta}(u) + \iota_{\geq 0}(u) + \langle u, f \rangle + \alpha \|Ku\|_{2,1}$$

where  $K: \mathbb{R}^{n \times m \times c} \to \mathbb{R}^{nmc \times 2}$  being a discretization of the multichannel gradient operator, and

$$\iota_{\Delta}(u) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \sum_{k} u_{i,j,k} = 1, \ \forall (i,j) \\ \infty & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

$$\iota_{\geq 0}(u) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } u_{i,j,k} \geq 0, \ \forall (i,j,k) \\ \infty & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$





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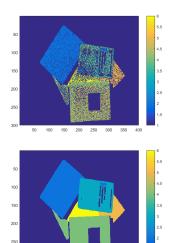
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### **Image Segmentation**







Upper row: data term minimization (=kmeans assignment), lower row: variational method

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### **Image Segmentation**

### Option 1: We solve

$$\min_{u}\max_{p}\iota_{\Delta}(u)+\iota_{\geq 0}(u)+\langle u,f\rangle+\langle \mathit{K} u,p\rangle-\iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty}\leq\alpha}(p).$$

 $\rightarrow$  Primal proximal operator: Projection onto unit simplex.

### Option 2: We solve

$$\min_{u}\max_{p,q}\langle Su-1,q\rangle+\iota_{\geq 0}(u)+\langle u,f\rangle+\langle Ku,p\rangle-\iota_{\|\cdot\|_{2,\infty}\leq\alpha}(p).$$

where 
$$(Su)_{i,j} = \sum_k u_{i,j}$$
.

 $\rightarrow$  Very simple proximal operators, but additional variable.

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### **Beyond total variation regularization**

We used  $J(u) = ||Ku||_{2,1}$  in most applications.

### Pros:

- · Preserves discontinuities/jumps
- · Easy to use and fast to implement
- Good quality on images that are well approximated by piecewise constant images

### Cons:

- Staircasing
- Not necessarily a realistic image prior

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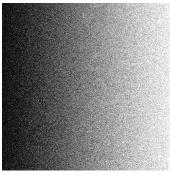
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Can one avoid this "staircasing" effect while preserving the ability to reconstruct jumps?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total Generlaized Variation, Bredis, Kunisch, Pock, SIAM Imag. Sci., 2010

### **Total generalized variation**

Regularization

$$TGV(u) = \min_{Ku=z_1+z_2} ||z_1||_{2,1} + \beta ||\tilde{K}z_2||_{2,1}$$
$$= \min_{z} ||Ku - z||_{2,1} + \beta ||\tilde{K}z||_{2,1}$$

with  $\tilde{K}: \mathbb{R}^{nm \times 2c} \to \mathbb{R}^{nm \times 4c}$  being a discretization of the derivative of a vector field.

Idea: Optimally divide into a penalty of the first derivative (TV) and the Hessian.

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### **TGV** denoising

Consider the TGV denoising problem

$$\min_{u,z} \frac{1}{2} \|u - f\|_2^2 + \alpha \left( \|Ku - z\|_{2,1} + \beta \|\tilde{K}z\|_{2,1} \right)$$

How can we minimize such a function (with PDHG)?

$$\min_{u,z} \frac{1}{2} \|u - f\|_{2}^{2} + \alpha \left\| \begin{pmatrix} Ku - z \\ \beta \tilde{K}z \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{2,1}$$

$$= \min_{u,z} \frac{1}{2} \|u - f\|_{2}^{2} + \alpha \left\| \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} K - I \\ 0 & \tilde{K} \end{pmatrix}}_{=:D} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} u \\ z \end{pmatrix}}_{=:v} \right\|_{2,1}$$

$$= G(v) + F(Dv)$$

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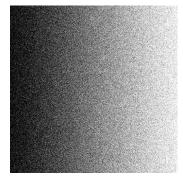
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### Final remark for applications

If you are too lazy to compute the proximity operator of  $F^*$ 

$$\begin{split} \tilde{p} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(z) \\ &= \arg\min_{p} \frac{1}{2} \|p - z\|^2 + \sigma F^*(p) \\ \Rightarrow 0 &= \tilde{p} - z + \sigma \tilde{u}, \quad \tilde{u} \in \partial F^*(\tilde{p}) \\ \Rightarrow 0 &= \tilde{u} - z/\sigma + \frac{1}{\sigma} \tilde{p}, \quad \tilde{p} \in \partial F(\tilde{u}) \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{u} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\frac{1}{\sigma} F}(z/\sigma) \\ \Rightarrow \tilde{p} &= z - \sigma \; \mathsf{prox}_{\frac{1}{\sigma} F}(z/\sigma) \end{split}$$

### Moreau's identity

If you know  $prox_F$  you also know  $prox_{F*}$ ,

$$\operatorname{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(z) = z - \sigma \operatorname{prox}_{\perp F}(z/\sigma).$$

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### **Convergence rate**

We have seen: PDHG works very well on problems of the form

$$\min G(u) + F(Ku),$$

for which *F* and *G* are simple.

We get a convergence rate of

$$\min_{j \in \{0, \dots, k\}} \| (I + L^{-T} T L^{-1})(\xi^k) - \xi^k \|^2 \le C \frac{\| \xi^0 - \xi^0 \|}{k+1}$$

for  $\xi^k = L(u^k, p^k)$ , L being the matrix square-root of M, and C being a constant.

According to Chambolle and Pock we also get ergodic convergence of the partial primal-dual gap with rate  $\mathcal{O}(1/k)$ .

What if our problem is "more friendly"? E.g. what if *G* or *F* or both are strongly convex?

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### Either G or $F^*$ is strongly convex

$$\begin{split} & p^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\sigma_k F^*}(p^k + \sigma_k K \bar{u}^k), \\ & u^{k+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau_k G}(u^k - \tau_k K^* p^{k+1}), \\ & \theta_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 2\gamma \tau_k}}, \\ & \tau_{k+1} = \theta_k \tau_k, \quad \sigma_{k+1} = \sigma_k / \theta_k \\ & \bar{u}^{k+1} = u^{k+1} + \theta_k (u^{k+1} - u^k). \end{split}$$
 (PDHG2)

for  $\tau_0 \sigma_0 \leq ||K||^2$ , and G being  $\gamma$ -strongly convex.

# Theorem about (PDHG2), strongly convex *G*, Chambolle, Pock '10

For any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists an  $N_0$  such that for any  $N \geq N_0$ :

$$\|\tilde{u} - u^{N}\|^{2} \le \frac{1 + \epsilon}{\gamma^{2} N^{2}} \left( \frac{\|\tilde{u} - u^{0}\|^{2}}{\tau_{0}^{2}} + \|K\|^{2} \|\tilde{p} - p^{0}\|^{2} \right)$$

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### Discussion of the convergence orders:

- Didn't the gradient methods obtain linear convergence on strongly convex energies?
- Yes, but we additionally needed a part of the energy to be L-smooth!
- Note that L-smoothness of the primal corresponds to 1/L-strong convexity of the convex conjugate!
- What can we do if we additionally assume F to be L-smooth, i.e., assume F\* to be strongly convex?

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# Two strongly convex functions

Consider

$$\begin{split} p^{k+1} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\sigma F^*}(p^k + \sigma K \bar{u}^k), \\ u^{k+1} &= \mathsf{prox}_{\tau G}(u^k - \tau K^* p^{k+1}), \\ \bar{u}^{k+1} &= u^{k+1} + \theta(u^{k+1} - u^k). \end{split} \tag{PDHG3}$$

### Chambolle, Pock '10

For  $\mu \leq 2\sqrt{\gamma\delta}/\|K\|$ ,  $\tau = \mu/(2\gamma)$ ,  $\sigma = \mu/(2\delta)$ ,  $\theta \in [1/(1+\mu), 1]$ , G being  $\gamma$ -strongly convex and  $F^*$  being  $\delta$ -strongly convex, there exists  $\omega < 1$ , such that the iterates of (PDHG3) meet

$$\gamma \|\boldsymbol{u}^N - \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}\|^2 + (1 - \omega)\delta \|\boldsymbol{p}^N - \tilde{\boldsymbol{p}}\|^2 \leq \omega^N (\gamma \|\boldsymbol{u}^0 - \tilde{\boldsymbol{u}}\|^2 + \delta \|\boldsymbol{p}^0 - \tilde{\boldsymbol{p}}\|^2).$$

 $\rightarrow$  Linear convergence!

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### **Generic form**

Remember the optimality conditions of the saddle point formulation

$$\min_{u} \max_{p} G(u) + \langle Ku, p \rangle - F^{*}(p)$$

were

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{p} \end{pmatrix}.$$

We could not compute  $(\hat{u}, \hat{p})$  directly. Therefore,

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} M_1 & M_3 \\ M_4 & M_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}$$

### such that

- M is symmetric, i.e.  $M_3 = (M_4)^T$ ,
- sequential updates are possible, i.e.  $M_3 = -K^T$ , or  $M_4 = K$ .

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### Diagonal $M_1$ and $M_2$

Sticking to  $M_3 = -K^T$  leads to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{K+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} M_1 & -K^T \\ -K & M_2 \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{K+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}.$$

Only remaining requirement: *M* should be positive definite!

In PDHG we chose  $M_1 = \frac{1}{\tau}I$ ,  $M_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma}I$  for simplicity.

In many cases, e.g., for separable  $F^*$  and G, the updates remain easy to compute if  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  are diagonal.

### Pock, Chambolle 2011

Let  $\alpha \in [0, 2]$ ,  $M_1 = \operatorname{diag}(m_i^1)$  and  $M_2 = \operatorname{diag}(m_i^2)$  with

$$m_j^1 > \sum_i |K_{i,j}|^{2-\alpha}, \qquad m_i^2 > \sum_i |K_{i,j}|^{\alpha}.$$

Then *M* is positive definite.

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### Regarding the choice of $M_1$ and $M_2$ :

- It does not influence the convergence rate.
- It is an active field of research to understand its influence on constants in the convergence rates.
- · It can make a huge difference in practice!!
- Typically, the practical convergence speed improves the more information about K is included in M<sub>1</sub>, M<sub>2</sub>.

The latter motivates yet a different and vastly popular algorithm, the alternating direction method of multipliers (ADMM).

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Let us consider

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{K+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda}I & -K^T \\ -K & \lambda KK^T \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{K+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}.$$

The resulting *M* is only positive semi-definite.

Either add  $\epsilon I$ , or exploit fixed point iterations of averaged operators in a different way to still show some kind of convergence.

For updating p, we need to solve

$$p^{k+1} = \arg\min_{p} F^{*}(p) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \left\| K^{T} p - K^{T} p^{k} - \frac{1}{\lambda} K (2u^{k+1} - u^{k}) \right\|^{2},$$

such that we need a special structure of K or  $F^*$  to still be able to solve this subproblem.

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# For any generic problem of the form we are currently considering we can write

$$\min_{u} H(u) + R(Du)$$

$$= \min_{u,v,d} H(v) + R(d), \quad \text{s.t.} \begin{pmatrix} I & -I & 0 \\ D & 0 & -I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ d \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

$$= \min_{u,v,d} \max_{p} H(v) + R(d) + \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} I & -I & 0 \\ D & 0 & -I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ d \end{pmatrix}, p \right\rangle$$

Now we can identify  $F^* = 0$  and the solution of the subproblem in p becomes a linear system!

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ADMM is often derived from a different perspective. In this perspective, the above ADMM is the classical algorithm applied to the dual formulation of the problem. The primal version is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \begin{pmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{K+1} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} \lambda K^T K & K^T \\ K & \frac{1}{\lambda}I \end{pmatrix}}_{=:M} \begin{pmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{K+1} - p^k \end{pmatrix}.$$

and requires G to be sufficiently simple in order to solve the update equations, i.e.

$$\begin{split} & p^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\lambda F^*}(p^k + \lambda K u^k) \\ & u^{k+1} = \operatorname{arg\,min}_u \left. \frac{\lambda}{2} \left\| K u - K u^k + \frac{1}{\lambda} (2p^{k+1} - p^k) \right\|^2 + G(u) \end{split}$$

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### Some final remarks

Detailed convergence rate analysis of ADMM is still an active field of research. s Whether or not ADMM is faster than PDHG and its variants largely depends on how efficient the non-prox step can be computed.

It often even depends on the architecture you are computing on. Tendency:

- PDHG is better parallelizable  $\rightarrow$  GPU
- ADMM makes more progress per iteration → CPU

Various (heuristic) suggestions for how to accelerate/approximate ADMM exist, e.g. a few iterations of preconditioned conjugate gradient (*pcg* in matlab).

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such that the matrix M is positive (semi-)definite.

Natural considerations:

- How close is  $-K^T p^{k+1}$  to being an element of  $\partial G(u^{k+1})$ ?
- How close is  $Ku^{k+1}$  to being an element of  $\partial F^*(p^{k+1})$ ?

We define the **primal** and **dual** residuals:

$$r_p^{k+1} = M_2(p^{k+1} - p^k) - K(u^{k+1} - u^k)$$
  
$$r_d^{k+1} = M_1(u^{k+1} - u^k) - K^T(p^{k+1} - p^k)$$

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### Primal and dual residuals

Based on the *primal* and *dual* residuals:

$$r_p^{k+1} = M_2(p^{k+1} - p^k) - K(u^{k+1} - u^k)$$
  
$$r_d^{k+1} = M_1(u^{k+1} - u^k) - K^T(p^{k+1} - p^k)$$

we could consider our algorithm to be convergent if  $\|r_d^{k+1}\|^2 + \|r_p^{k+1}\|^2 \to 0$ , because this implies

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{dist}(-K^{\mathsf{T}} p^{k+1}, \partial G(u^{k+1})) &\to 0, \\ \operatorname{dist}(K u^{k+1}, \partial F^*(p^{k+1})) &\to 0. \end{aligned}$$

Note that this notion of convergences does not imply convergence of  $u^k$  and  $p^k$  yet!

Nevertheless, we know PDHG and ADMM do converge, and  $\|r_d^{k+1}\|$  and  $\|r_p^{k+1}\|$  are good measures for convergence!

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### Upper bounds on the residuals

How should we use  $||r_d^{k+1}||$  and  $||r_p^{k+1}||$  to formalize a stopping criterion?

- Simple option: Iterator until  $||r_d^{k+1}|| \le \epsilon$  and  $||r_p^{k+1}|| \le \epsilon$ .
- Could be unfair, if  $u^k \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $p^k \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and e.g. n >> m. Use  $\|r_d^{k+1}\| \leq \sqrt{n} \ \epsilon$  and  $\|r_p^{k+1}\| \leq \sqrt{m} \ \epsilon$ .
- Could be unfair for different scales! Introduce absolute and relative error criteria:

$$\|r_d^{k+1}\| \leq \sqrt{n} \, \epsilon^{abs} + ext{dual scale factor} \cdot \epsilon^{rel} \\ \|r_p^{k+1}\| \leq \sqrt{m} \, \epsilon^{abs} + ext{primal scale factor} \cdot \epsilon^{rel}$$

But what are reasonable scale factors?

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### Scaling the primal residuum

The primal residual

$$r_p^{k+1} = M_2(p^{k+1} - p^k) - K(u^{k+1} - u^k)$$

measures how far  $Ku^{k+1}$  is away from a particular element in  $\partial F^*(p^{k+1})$ , and therefore scales with the magnitude of elements in  $\partial F^*(p^{k+1})$ .

More precisely:

$$0 \in \partial F^{*}(p^{k+1}) - Ku^{k+1} + r_{p}^{k+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \in \partial F^{*}(p^{k+1}) - K^{T}(2u^{k+1} - u^{k}) + M_{2}(p^{k+1} - p^{k}).$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{M_{2}(p^{k} - p^{k+1}) + K^{T}(2u^{k+1} - u^{k})}_{=:z^{k+1}} \in \partial F^{*}(p^{k+1})$$

Thus, we can use

$$||r_p^{k+1}|| \leq \sqrt{m} \epsilon^{abs} + ||z^{k+1}|| \cdot \epsilon^{rel}$$

to be scale-independent.

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### Scaling the dual residuum

The dual residual

$$r_d^{k+1} = M_1(u^{k+1} - u^k) - K^T(p^{k+1} - p^k)$$

measures how far  $-K^Tp^{k+1}$  is away from a particular element in  $\partial G(u^{k+1})$ , and therefore scales with the magnitude of elements in  $\partial G(u^{k+1})$ .

More precisely:

$$0 \in \partial G(u^{k+1}) + K^{T} p^{k+1} + r_{d}^{k+1}.$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \in \partial G(u^{k+1}) + K^{T} p^{k} + M_{1}(u^{k+1} - u^{k})$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{M_{1}(u^{k} - u^{k+1}) - K^{T} p^{k}}_{=:v^{k+1}} \in \partial G(u^{k+1})$$

Thus, we can use

$$||r_d^{k+1}|| \leq \sqrt{n} \, \epsilon^{abs} + ||v^{k+1}|| \cdot \epsilon^{rel}$$

to be scale-independent.

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### A scaled absolute and relative stopping criterion

In summary, a good stopping criterion is

$$\begin{aligned} \|r_p^{k+1}\| &\leq \sqrt{m} \ \epsilon^{abs} + \|z^{k+1}\| \cdot \epsilon^{rel}, \\ \|r_d^{k+1}\| &\leq \sqrt{n} \ \epsilon^{abs} + \|v^{k+1}\| \cdot \epsilon^{rel}. \end{aligned}$$

Interesting observation in our previous considerations:

ADMM/PDHG actually generates iterates  $(u^{k+1}, p^{k+1}, v^{k+1}, z^{k+1})$  with

$$v^{k+1} \in \partial G(u^{k+1}), \qquad z^{k+1} \in \partial F^*(p^{k+1}).$$

The goal of all algorithms is to achieve convergence

$$\|\underbrace{z^{k+1} - Ku^{k+1}}_{=r_p^{k+1}}\| \to 0 \text{ and } \|\underbrace{v^{k+1} + K^T p^{k+1}}_{=r_d^{k+1}}\| \to 0!$$

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### **Adaptive stepsizes**

 $r_p^{k+1}$  and  $r_d^{k+1}$  determine the convergence of the algorithm.

# Can we also use $r_d$ and $r_p$ to accelerate the algorithm?

Adaptive stepsizes:

$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau^k} M_1 & -K^T \\ -K & \frac{1}{\sigma^k} M_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Base the choices of  $\tau^k$  and  $\sigma^k$  on the residuals  $r_p^k$  and  $r_d^k$ , where

$$r_p^{k+1} = \frac{1}{\sigma^k} M_2(p^{k+1} - p^k) - K(u^{k+1} - u^k),$$
  
$$r_d^{k+1} = \frac{1}{\tau^k} M_1(u^{k+1} - u^k) - K^T(p^{k+1} - p^k)?$$

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## Customized proximal point algorithms

Decreasing residual balancing: Let  $(M_1, -K^T; -K, M_2)$  be positive definite. Pick  $\tau^0$  and  $\sigma^0$  with  $\tau^0\sigma^0<1$ . Further choose  $\mu > 1$ ,  $\alpha^0 < 1$ ,  $\beta < 1$  and adapt as follows

• If  $||r_{D}^{k}|| > \mu ||r_{d}^{k}||$ , do

$$\tau^{k+1} = (1 - \alpha^k)\tau^k, \quad \sigma^{k+1} = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^k}\sigma^k, \quad \alpha^{k+1} = \alpha^k \cdot \beta.$$

• If  $||r_d^k|| > \mu ||r_p^k||$ , do

$$\tau^{k+1} = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha^k} \tau^k, \quad \sigma^{k+1} = (1 - \alpha^k) \sigma^k, \quad \alpha^{k+1} = \alpha^k \cdot \beta.$$

• Keep  $\tau^{k+1} = \tau^k$ ,  $\sigma^{k+1} = \sigma^k$ , and  $\alpha^{k+1} = \alpha^k$  otherwise.

Goldstein et al., Adaptive Primal-Dual Hybrid Gradient Methods for Saddle-Point Problems: The resulting scheme still converges.

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### PDHG with backtracking

Start with any step sizes  $\tau^0$ ,  $\sigma^0$ , and constants  $\gamma, \beta \in ]0, 1[$ . Do

$$u^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau^k G}(u^k - \tau^k K^T p^k)$$
  
$$p^{k+1} = \operatorname{prox}_{\sigma^k F}(p^k + \sigma^k K(2u^{k+1} - u^k))$$

Compute

$$b^k = \frac{2\tau^k \sigma^k \langle p^{k+1} - p^k, K(u^{k+1} - u^k) \rangle}{\gamma \sigma^k \|u^{k+1} - u^k\|^2 + \gamma \tau^k \|p^{k+1} - p^k\|^2}$$

If  $b^k \le 1$  keep iterating, if  $b^k > 1$  update

$$au^{k+1} = eta au^k / oldsymbol{b}^k, \quad \sigma^{k+1} = eta \sigma^k / oldsymbol{b}^k$$

Key insight to prove convergence:  $b^k > 1$  can only happen finitely many times.

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### **Summary**

For proper, closed, convex functions G and  $F \circ K$  (with  $ri(dom(G)) \cap ri(dom(F \circ K)) \neq \emptyset$ ) we can write

$$\min_{u} G(u) + F(Ku) = \min_{u} \max_{p} G(u) + \langle Ku, p \rangle - F^{*}(p).$$

with the optimality condition

$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{u} \\ \hat{p} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Typically,  $(\hat{u}, \hat{p})$  cannot be computed directly, but one devises iterative methods on this saddle point problem.

Their idea is to decouple the update inclusions in u and p!

Their convergence can be shown via fixed-point iterations of averaged operators.

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### Saddle point methods

Most prominently, we discussed

PDHG, overrelaxation on primal

$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau}I & -K^T \\ -K & \frac{1}{\sigma}I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

· PDHG, overrelaxation on dual

$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\tau}I & K^T \\ K & \frac{1}{\sigma}I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \lambda K^T K & K^T \\ K & \frac{1}{\lambda} I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

Corresponding dual ADMM

$$0 \in \begin{bmatrix} \partial G & K^T \\ -K & \partial F^* \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} \\ p^{k+1} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda}I & -K^T \\ -K & \lambda KK^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u^{k+1} - u^k \\ p^{k+1} - p^k \end{bmatrix}.$$

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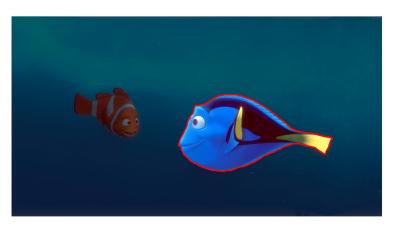
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Let  $\Omega$  be the image domain,  $S \subset \Omega$  an object.



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### Goal: Estimate a 3D model

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### First version: Single view 2.5D reconstruction

Oswald, Töppe, Cremers CVPR 2012: Find a height map that has minimal surface for fixed volume and respects the contour.

Mathematically for height map  $u: \mathcal{S} \to \mathbb{R}$ 

- $\int_{S} u(x) dx = V$ , where V is a user given volume
- Constrain  $u_{|\partial S} = 0$
- Minimize  $\int_{S} \sqrt{1 + |\nabla u(x)|^2} dx$  (surface area)

Discrete form

$$\min_{u} \quad \sum_{i} \sqrt{1 + |(Du)_{i}|^{2}} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u),$$

for a suitable gradient operator D (respecting  $u_{|\partial S} = 0$ ),

$$\Sigma_V = \{u \in \mathbb{R}^{|S|} \mid \sum_i u_i = V\}.$$

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How can we minimize

$$E(u) = \sum_{i} \sqrt{1 + |(Du)_i|^2} + \delta_{\Sigma_V}(u) ?$$

One option: Gradient projection.

· Descent on the term that does not have an easy prox:

$$u^{k+1/2} = u^k - \tau D^* v^k, \qquad v_{i,:} = \frac{(Du^k)_{i,:}}{\sqrt{1 + |(Du^k)_{i,:}|^2}}$$

for suitable  $\tau$ , with  $D: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^{n \times 2}$ .

· Project onto constraint set:

$$\operatorname{proj}_{\Sigma_{V}}(v) = \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|u - v\|_{2}^{2} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u)$$

Board: How does the projection look like?

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 $egin{align} 0 &= \hat{u} - v + \mathbf{1} oldsymbol{p}, & p \in \partial \delta_{\cdot - V} (\langle \mathbf{1}, \hat{u} 
angle) \ &\sum \hat{u}_i &= V \ \end{matrix}$ 

 $\underset{u}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|u - v\|_{2}^{2} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u) = \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|u - v\|_{2}^{2} + \delta_{.-V}(\langle \mathbf{1}, u \rangle)$ 

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Take inner product of the above equation with 1:

$$0 = V - \sum_{i} v_{i} + np,$$

$$\Rightarrow p = \frac{1}{n} \left( V - \sum_{i} v_{i} \right),$$

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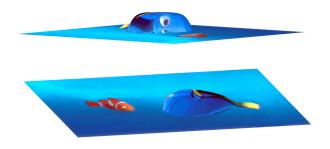
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which yields

$$\hat{u} = v - \mathbf{1} \frac{1}{n} \left( V - \sum_{i} v_{i} \right) = v - \text{mean}(v) \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{1} \frac{V}{n}$$

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### It works! :-)



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What about our primal-dual/splitting methods?

$$\min_{u} \quad \sum_{i} \sqrt{1 + |(Du)_{i}|^{2}} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u),$$

Natural reformulation:

$$\min_{u,d} \quad \sum_i \sqrt{1+|d_i|^2} + \delta_{\Sigma_V}(u), \quad Du = d.$$

But is  $F(d) = \sum_{i} \sqrt{1 + |d_i|^2}$  simple?

- · Somewhat yes, as it reduces to a 1D problem.
- · Somewhat no, as there is no (easy) closed form solution.

Reformulation that makes the prox operator really easy?

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Let's start with

$$\min_{u,d} \quad \sum_i \sqrt{1+|d_i|^2} + \delta_{\Sigma_V}(u), \quad Du = d.$$

Note that

$$\sqrt{1+|\textit{d}_i|^2}=\left|(\textit{d}_i,1)^T\right|$$

Idea: Introduce variable e with constraint  $e_i = 1$  for all i!

$$\min_{u,d,e} \quad \underbrace{\sum_{i} \underbrace{\sqrt{e_i^2 + |d_i|^2}}_{=|(d_i,e_i)^T|} + \delta_{\Sigma_V}(u)}, \quad Du = d, e = 1$$

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 $\|(d,e)\|_{2,1} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u), \quad Du = d, e = 1$ 

Now the proximity operators of the two functions are simple!

$$\min_{u,d,e} \max_{p,q} \|(d,e)\|_{2,1} + \delta_{\Sigma_{V}}(u) + \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} p \\ q \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -D & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \\ e \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle - \langle q, \mathbf{1} \rangle$$

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Option 1: Use (PDHG) now!

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Option 2: First save some variables, then apply (PDHG)!

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### It still works! :-)



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