

Regularization of linear integral equations with noisy data and noisy operator

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General problem

Consider a (linear) ill-posed problems of the form

$$K_0 f = g_0,$$

where K_0 is a **integral operator**

$$\begin{aligned} K_0 : \mathcal{U} &\longrightarrow \mathcal{H} \\ f &\longmapsto \boxed{g_0 = K_0 f}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(K_0 f)(s) := \int_{\Omega} k_0(s, t) f(t) dt.$$

The operator K_0 is generated by kernel function k_0 .

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How to solve?

- **Tikhonov regularization** is the most widely applied methods for solving ill-posed problems

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \|A_\epsilon x - b_\delta\|_2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \|Lx\|_2 \leq M, \end{aligned}$$

- **Regularized total least square** is a method based on TLS Golub and Van Loan [1980], adding a stabilization term with respect to the solution x .

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \|A - A_\epsilon\|_F + \|b - b_\delta\|_2 \\ & \text{subject to} && \begin{cases} Ax = b \\ \|Lx\|_2 \leq M. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Remark: discrete version $Ax = b$ (finite dimension).

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Motivated by R-TLS ideas, we proposed solve the following problem

$$\text{minimize } T(k, f) := \frac{1}{2} J(k, f) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|Lf\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \beta \mathcal{R}(k), \quad (1)$$

where

$$J(k, f) = \|K(k, f) - g_\delta\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \tau \|k - k_\epsilon\|_{L_2(\Omega^2)}^2,$$

α, β are the regularization parameters, τ is a weight parameter and $\mathcal{R} : X \rightarrow [0, +\infty]$ is

- proper **convex** function and
- weak lower semi-continuous (**w-lsc**).

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Main results: theoretical

Proposition

Let T be the functional defined on (1) and L be a **positive defined** operator. Then T is **positive, weak lower semi-continuous** and **coercive** functional.

Theorem (existence)

Let the assumptions of Proposition 1 hold. Then there exists a **global minimum** of

$$\text{minimize } T(k, f).$$

Theorem (stability)

- $\delta_j \rightarrow \delta$ and $\epsilon_j \rightarrow \epsilon$
- $g_{\delta_j} \rightarrow g_\delta$ and $k_{\epsilon_j} \rightarrow k_\epsilon$
- $\alpha, \beta > 0$
- (k^j, f^j) is a minimizer of T with g_{δ_j} and k_{ϵ_j}
- Then there exists a convergent subsequence of $(k^j, f^j)_j$

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For convergence results we need to define

Definition

We call (k^\dagger, f^\dagger) a **Φ -minimizing solution** if

$$(k^\dagger, f^\dagger) = \arg \min_{(k,f)} \{ \Phi(k, f) \mid K(k, f) = g_0, k = k_0 \}.$$

where the equalities above hold almost everywhere.

We define the convex functional

$$\Phi(k, f) := \frac{1}{2} \|L f\|^2 + \eta \mathcal{R}(k)$$

Theorem (convergence)

- $\delta_j \rightarrow 0$ and $\epsilon_j \rightarrow 0$
- $\|g_{\delta_j} - g_0\| \leq \delta_j$ and $\|k_{\epsilon_j} - k_0\| \leq \epsilon_j$
- $\alpha_j = \alpha(\epsilon_j, \delta_j)$ and $\beta_j = \beta(\epsilon_j, \delta_j)$, s.t. $\alpha_j \rightarrow 0$, $\beta_j \rightarrow 0$,
$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\delta_j^2 + \tau \epsilon_j^2}{\alpha_j} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_j}{\alpha_j} = \eta$$
- (k^j, f^j) is a minimizer of T with g_{δ_j} , k_{ϵ_j} , α_j and β_j
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Remark

As a direct consequence, the choice $\beta = \eta\alpha$ satisfies the previous theorem. So, defining

$$\Phi(k, f) = \frac{1}{2} \|L f\|^2 + \eta \mathcal{R}(k)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} B(k, f) &: L_2(\Omega^2) \times L_2(\Omega) &\longrightarrow L_2(\Omega) \times L_2(\Omega) \\ (k, f) &\longmapsto (K(k, f), k) \end{aligned}$$

we can rewrite (1) for $\tau = 1$ as

$$\text{minimize } \frac{1}{2} \|B(k, f) - (g_\delta, k_\epsilon)\|^2 + \alpha \Phi(k, f)$$

where $\|(k, f) - (u, v)\|^2 := \|k - u\|^2 + \|f - v\|^2$.

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Remark: iterative development

- first equation: f depends of k and α .

$$f_\delta^\alpha(k) = (K_k^* K_k + \alpha L^* L)^{-1} K_k^* g_\delta.$$

- second equation: solve as a point-fixed iteration

$$k^{n+1} = (k^n + K_f^* g_\delta + \tau k_\epsilon - (K_f^* K_f + \tau I)k^n) - \beta \operatorname{sgn}(k^n).$$

Iterative shrinkage-thresholding algorithm

Require: $L, g_\delta, k_\epsilon, \tau$ and $k^0 \in L_2(\Omega^2) \cap L_1(\Omega^2)$

1: $n = 0$

2: **repeat**

3: choose α and β

4: $k^{n+1} = \mathcal{S}_\beta(k^n + K_{f_\delta^\alpha(k^n)}^*(g_\delta - K_{f_\delta^\alpha(k^n)} k^n) + \tau(k_\epsilon - k^n))$

5: **until** convergence

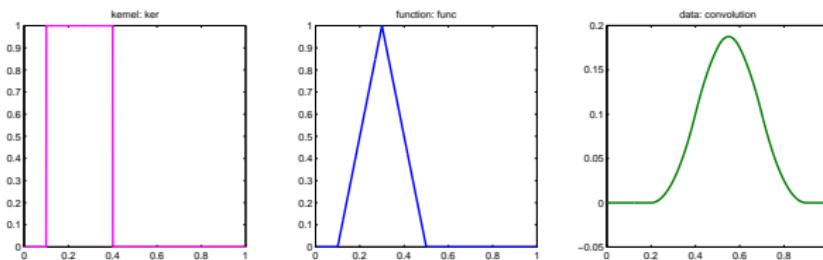
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First numerical result

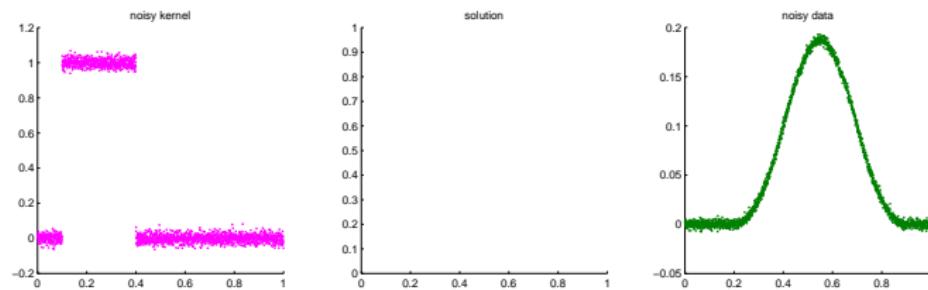
Basic problem: convolution operator in 1D

$$\int_{\Omega} k(s-t) f(t) dt = g(s)$$



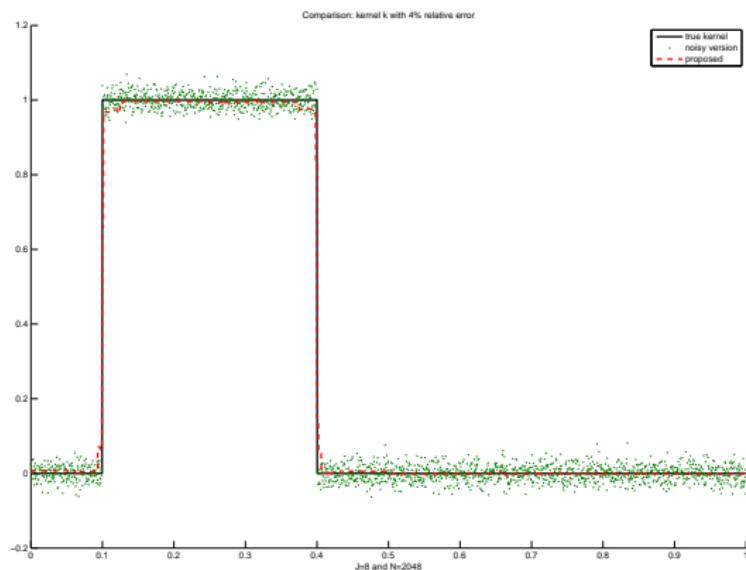
- space: $\Omega = [0, 1]$, discretization: $N = 2048$ points
- initial guess: $k^0 = k_\epsilon$, $\tau = 1.0$
- relative error: 4% and 3%

Noisy kernel and data

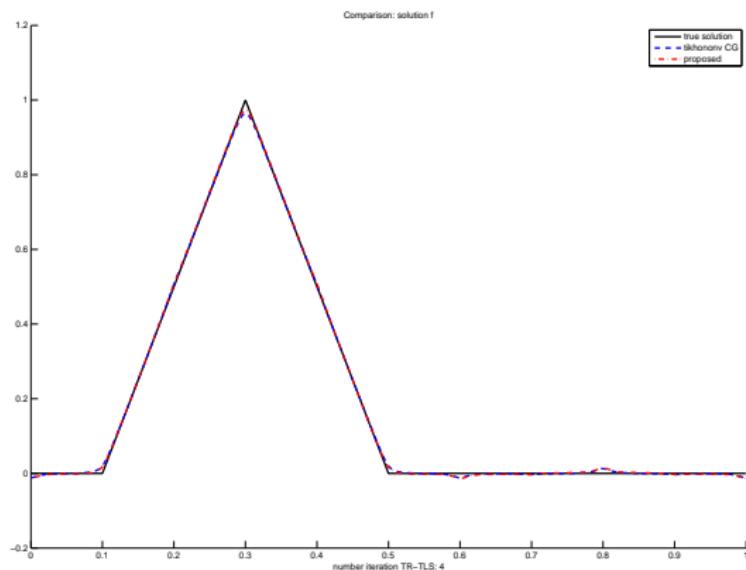


Tolerance: 10^{-7} . Iterations: Proposed 3 and Tikhonov (CG) 21.

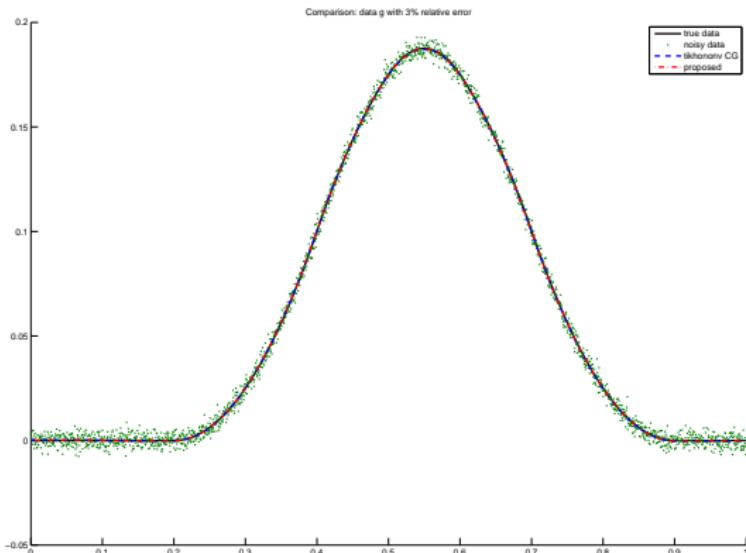
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1.4479	16.4736	0.0194	0.0141
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noisy kernel	0.0586
proposed	0.0194



Tikhonov	1.9954e-04
proposed	1.9013e-04



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proposed	5.7668e-06

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Ongoing and future work

- study of source conditions;
- prove convergence rates;
- how to choose the best regularization parameter?
- *a priori* and *a posteriori* choice;
- implementations and numerical experiments (2D)

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Questions?