

# Fixed point iterations of non-expansive operators in algorithms for convex optimization

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# Convex optimization problems

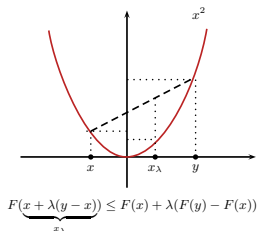
## Problem (P)

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} F(x).$$

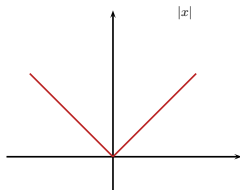
- $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$  is a real Hilbert space with norm  $\| \cdot \| = \sqrt{\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle}$ .
- $F: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  is
  - **proper:**  $\text{dom } F = \{x \in \mathcal{H} \mid F(x) < +\infty\} \neq \emptyset$ .
  - **convex :**  $(\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H})(\forall \lambda \in [0, 1])$   
 $F(x + \lambda(y - x)) \leq F(x) + \lambda(F(y) - F(x))$ .
  - **lower semicontinuous (l.s.c.):**  
 $(\forall x_n \rightarrow x \in \text{dom } F) \quad F(x) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} F(x_n)$ .
- $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ : Class of functions satisfying above conditions.

# Examples of functions in $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$

- **Differentiable convex functions:**  $x \mapsto e^x$ ,  $x \mapsto \|x\|_2^2, \dots$



- **Non-smooth convex functions:**  $x \mapsto |x|$ ,  
 $x \mapsto \max\{0, x\}$ ,  $x \mapsto \|x\|_1, \dots$

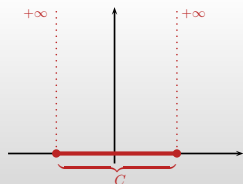


# Examples of functions in $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$

- **Discontinuous convex functions:**  $\emptyset \neq C \subset \mathcal{H}$  is closed and convex.

## Indicator function

$$\iota_C(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \in C; \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



- **Constrained convex functions:** Let  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  and  $C$  be closed and convex:

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{if } x \in C \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} = f(x) + \iota_C(x)$$

## Examples of functions in $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$

- $f, g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $\text{dom } f \cap \text{dom } g \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow f + g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .
- If  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$ , and  $L: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  is linear bounded s.t.  
 $\underbrace{\text{ran } L}_{L(\mathcal{H})} \cap \text{dom } g \neq \emptyset$ , then  $g \circ L \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .

### Exercise

$$(\forall \lambda \in [0, 1]) \quad \|(1-\lambda)x + \lambda y\|^2 = (1-\lambda)\|x\|^2 + \lambda\|y\|^2 - \lambda(1-\lambda)\|x-y\|^2.$$

- Hence,  $\|\cdot\|^2$  is in  $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .
- In particular, if  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}^N$ ,

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \cdots + |x_N| \quad \text{and} \quad \|x\|_2^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_N^2$$

are in  $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .

- $F: x \mapsto f(x) + g(Lx)$  is also in  $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .

# Concrete example 1: Image processing

Recover image  $x$  of  $N = n \times p$  pixels (or wavelet coefficients) from an observation

$$z = Ax + \epsilon,$$

- $A$ :  $m \times N$  real matrix (e.g., blur)
- $\epsilon$ : Gaussian noise.



Figure: Original  $\bar{x}$

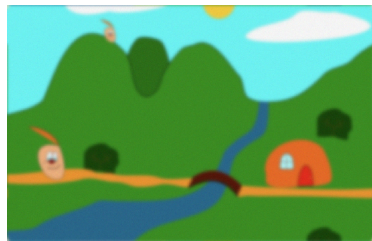


Figure:  $z = A\bar{x} + \epsilon$

# Concrete example 1: Image processing

A priori we assume that the image is piecewise constant.

- $D$ : discrete derivative (usually  $D = [H, V]$ ).
- $\lambda > 0$ : parameter.

## TV minimization

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} F(x) := \underbrace{\lambda \|Dx\|_1}_{\text{non-smooth composite}(D)} + \underbrace{\|Ax - z\|_2^2}_{\text{smooth}}$$

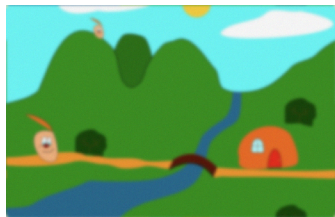


Figure: Degraded  $z$



Figure: Restored  $x$

## Concrete example 2: MFG





## Mean Field Games (MFG)<sup>1</sup>: Static example

- $N$  players choose their positions on a set  $Q$  (compact).
- $\mathcal{P}(Q)$  is the set of Borel probability measures.
- They minimize their distance to a place  $P \in Q$ .
- Players are congestion-averse.
- The cost of player  $i$  can be modeled by

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_i(x_1, \dots, x_i, \dots, x_N) &= \alpha|x_i - P| - \frac{\beta}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} |x_j - x_i| \\
 &= \alpha|x_i - P| - \beta \int_Q |x - x_i| d \left( \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j} \right) \\
 &= f \left( x_i, \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

<sup>1</sup>J.-M. Lasry, P.-L. Lions. Mean field games. *Jpn. J. Math.* 2007

M. Huang, R. P. Malhamé, P. E. Caines. Large population stochastic dynamic games. *Commun. Inf. Syst.* 2006.

- Suppose that for each  $N$ ,  $(\bar{x}_1^N, \dots, \bar{x}_N^N)$  is a Nash equilibrium of the previous game, i.e., for every  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ ,

$$(\forall x_i \in Q) \quad f \left( \bar{x}_i^N, \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{\bar{x}_j^N} \right) \leq f \left( x_i, \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{\bar{x}_j^N} \right)$$

- Then,  $\exists \bar{m} \in \mathcal{P}(Q)$  such that, up to some sub-sequence,

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\bar{x}_i^N} \xrightarrow{*} \bar{m}.$$

- The equilibrium  $\bar{m}$  satisfies the fixed point equation

$$\text{supp}(\bar{m}) \subseteq \text{argmin} \{f(x, \bar{m}) \mid x \in Q\}.$$

## Dynamic & deterministic case

- Differential game with  $N$  players, where Player  $i$  minimizes

$$\int_0^T \left[ \frac{|\alpha(t)|^2}{2} + f\left(x_i(t), \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j(t)}\right) \right] dt + g\left(x_i(T), \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j(T)}\right)$$

s.t.  $\dot{x}_i(t) = \alpha(t) \quad \forall t \in [0, T],$   
 $x_i(0) = \bar{x}_{0,i}^N.$

- Suppose that  $(\bar{x}_1^N, \dots, \bar{x}_N^N)$  is a Nash equilibrium and that

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\bar{x}_{0,i}^N} \xrightarrow{*} m_0.$$

Then for each  $t \in [0, T], \exists m(t) \in \mathcal{P}(Q)$  such that

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\bar{x}_i^N(t)} \xrightarrow{*} m(t)$$

# Dynamic & deterministic case

- Any equilibrium  $m$  solves the **MFG system**

$$\begin{aligned}
 (HJB) \quad & -\partial_t u + \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{2} = f(x, m(t)) \\
 & u(x, T) = g(x, m(T)), \\
 (FP) \quad & \partial_t m - \operatorname{div}(m \nabla u) = 0, \\
 & m(0) = m_0.
 \end{aligned}$$

- At  $(x, t)$  the solution  $u$  of the HJB equation is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 u(x, t) = \inf_{\alpha} \int_t^T & \left[ \frac{|\alpha(s)|^2}{2} + f(x(s), m(s)) \right] ds + g(x(T), m(T)) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \dot{x}(s) = \alpha(s) \quad \forall s \in (t, T), \\
 & x(t) = x.
 \end{aligned}$$

# Dynamic & stochastic case

$$\int_0^T \left[ \frac{|\alpha(t)|^2}{2} + f\left(x_i(t), \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j(t)}\right) \right] dt + g\left(x_i(T), \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{j \neq i} \delta_{x_j(T)}\right)$$

s.t.  $dx_i(t) = \alpha(t)dt + \sigma dW_i(t) \quad \forall t \in [0, T],$   
 $x_i(0) = \bar{x}_{0,i}^N.$

As before,  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \delta_{\bar{x}_i^N(t)} \rightarrow m(t)$  which now solves ( $t \in [0, T], x \in Q$ ):

## MFG

$$-\partial_t u - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta u + \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{2} = f(x, m(t))$$

$$u(x, T) = g(x, m(T))$$

$$\partial_t m - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta m - \operatorname{div}(m \nabla u) = 0$$

$$m(0) = m_0$$

# Variational formulation<sup>3</sup>

Considering the change of variables<sup>2</sup>  $w = -m\nabla u$  and

$$b(x, m, w) = \begin{cases} \frac{|w|^2}{2m}, & \text{if } m > 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } (m, w) = (0, 0); \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} F(x, m) = \int_0^m f(x, m') dm' \\ G(x, m) = \int_0^m g(x, m') dm' \end{cases}$$

**MFG = optimality condition of the convex problem**

$$\min_{(m, w)} \int_0^T \int_Q [b(x, m(x, t), w(x, t)) + F(x, m(x, t))] dx + \int_Q G(x, m(x, T)) dx$$

subject to

$$\partial_t m - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta m + \operatorname{div}(w) = 0 \text{ in } Q \times (0, T),$$

$$m(\cdot, 0) = m_0(\cdot) \quad \text{in } Q,$$

<sup>2</sup>Benamou-Brenier, 2000.

<sup>3</sup>Lasry-Lions, 2007

# Variational formulation

## Convex problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{(m,w)} F(m, w) := & \int_0^T \int_Q \underbrace{b(x, m(x, t), w(x, t)) dx dt}_{\text{convex, non-smooth}} + \iota_C(m, w) \\ & + \underbrace{\int_0^T \int_Q F(x, m(x, t)) dx dt + \int_Q G(x, m(x, T)) dx}_{\text{convex, smooth}} \end{aligned}$$

where  $(m, w) \in C$  if and only if

$$\partial_t m - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta m + \operatorname{div}(w) = 0 \quad \text{in } Q \times (0, T),$$

$$m(\cdot, 0) = m_0(\cdot) \quad \text{in } Q,$$

# Goals...

Given  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  and  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ , we aim at solving

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} F(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

$$x_0 \in \mathcal{H}, \quad (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad x_{n+1} = \Phi(x_n).$$

- 1 Part I: Case when  $f$  and  $g$  are diff. with Lipschitzian gradient:  
Gradient method:  $\Phi = \text{Id} - \gamma(\nabla f + \nabla g)$
- 2 Part II: Case when  $g$  is differentiable with Lipschitzian gradient:  
Prox-gradient algorithm:  $\Phi = \text{prox}_{\gamma f}(\text{Id} - \gamma \nabla g)$
- 3 Part III: General case: Douglas/Peaceman-Rachford algorithm:  
 $\Phi = R_{\gamma f} R_{\gamma g}$
- 4 Part IV:  $g = h \circ L$  with  $L: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  linear bounded: Primal-dual splitting methods:  $\Phi: \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{G}$ .
- 5 Part V: Numerical experiments and extensions.
  - $f$  and/or  $g$  strongly convex:  $\Phi$  strict-contractions.
  - General case:  $\Phi$  averaged non-expansive operators.



# Part 0: Convex functions

- 1 Existence and uniqueness
- 2  $F$  smooth: gradient
  - $F$  convex
  - $F$  strongly convex
- 3  $F$  nonsmooth: subdifferential
  - Proximity operator
  - Examples

# Existence of solutions

## Banach-Alaoglu

Every bounded sequence in  $\mathcal{H}$  has a weakly convergent subsequence.

Let  $F \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  be coercive, i.e.,

$$\lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = +\infty.$$

Then  $\arg \min F = \{x^* \in \mathcal{H} \mid (\forall x \in \mathcal{H}) F(x^*) \leq F(x)\} \neq \emptyset$ .

**Dem.** Take  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a minimizing sequence, i.e.,  $F(x_n) \rightarrow \inf_{x \in \mathcal{H}} F(x) =: \nu$ . Since coercivity implies  $\{x \in \mathcal{H} \mid F(x) \leq \gamma\}$  is bounded, for every  $\gamma > \nu$ , there exists a subsequence  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup x \in \mathcal{H}$  by Banach-Alaoglu. By l.s.c. + convexity,

$$\nu \leq F(x) \leq \liminf_{k \in \mathbb{N}} F(x_{n_k}) = \nu.$$

## Strong convexity and uniqueness of solutions

- $F$  is  $\beta$ -strongly convex ( $\beta > 0$ ) if  $F - \frac{\beta}{2}\|\cdot\|^2$  is convex.
- Strongly convex functions are coercive.

### Exercise

$$F \text{ is } \beta\text{-strongly convex} \Leftrightarrow (\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H})(\forall \lambda \in [0, 1]) \\ F(x + \lambda(y - x)) \leq F(x) + \lambda(F(y) - F(x)) - \frac{\beta}{2}\lambda(1 - \lambda)\|x - y\|^2.$$

### Uniqueness of solutions

Suppose that  $F \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  is  $\beta$ -strongly convex ( $\beta > 0$ ). Then  $\arg \min F$  is a singleton.

**Dem.** Existence is ok. Suppose that  $\{x^*, y^*\} \subset \arg \min F$ ,  $x^* \neq y^*$ .

$$F(x^* + \lambda(y^* - x^*)) \leq F(x^*) + \lambda(F(y^*) - F(x^*)) - \frac{\beta}{2}\lambda(1 - \lambda)\|x^* - y^*\|^2 \\ < F(x^*) = F(y^*) \Rightarrow \Leftarrow \quad \square.$$

# $F$ G-differentiable and convex

## G-differentiable

$F: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\text{dom } F$  open. For every  $x \in \text{dom } F$  and  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{F(x + \lambda h) - F(x)}{\lambda} = \langle \nabla F(x) \mid h \rangle.$$

$$(\forall x \in \mathcal{H})(\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \begin{cases} F(x) + \langle \nabla F(x) \mid y - x \rangle \leq F(y) \\ \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

**Dem.** Let  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ . From convexity, we have, for every  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$\underbrace{\frac{F(x + \lambda(y - x)) - F(x)}{\lambda}}_{\rightarrow \langle \nabla F(x) \mid y - x \rangle} \leq F(y) - F(x). \quad \square$$

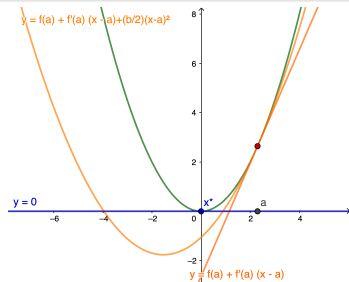
# $F$ G-differentiable and strongly convex

Since  $F - \frac{\beta}{2} \|\cdot\|^2$  is convex and G-differentiable:

## Exercise

Suppose that  $F$  is G-differentiable. Prove that  $F$  is  $\beta$ -strongly convex  $\Leftrightarrow$

$$(\forall x \in \mathcal{H})(\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \begin{cases} F(x) + \nabla \langle F(x) | y - x \rangle + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - y\|^2 \leq F(y) \\ \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) | x - y \rangle \geq \beta \|x - y\|^2 \end{cases}$$



Baillon-Haddad thm<sup>4</sup>

## Theorem (Baillon-Haddad, 1977)

Let  $F: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be convex and differentiable. Then, the following are equivalent:

- 1  $\nabla F$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous.
- 2  $(\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad F(x) \leq F(y) + \langle \nabla F(y) | x - y \rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|x - y\|^2$ .
- 3  $(\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) | x - y \rangle \leq L \|x - y\|^2$ .
- 4  $(\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) | x - y \rangle \geq \frac{1}{L} \|\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y)\|^2$ .

<sup>4</sup>see, e.g. Bauschke–Combettes (2017)

# Baillon–Haddad thm. ( $1 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 3$ )

**Dem.  $1 \Rightarrow 2$ :** Given  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ , define  $\phi: t \mapsto F(y + t(x - y))$ , which is differentiable,  $\phi'(t) = \langle \nabla F(y + t(x - y)) \mid x - y \rangle$  (**exercise**),  $\phi(0) = F(y)$  and  $\phi(1) = F(x)$ . Hence, from C-S, Lipschitz cont., and FTC we have

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) - F(y) &= \int_0^1 \langle \nabla F(y + t(x - y)) \mid x - y \rangle dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \langle \nabla F(y + t(x - y)) - \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle dt + \langle \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|\nabla F(y + t(x - y)) - \nabla F(y)\| \|x - y\| dt + \langle \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \\ &\leq L \|x - y\|^2 \int_0^1 t dt + \langle \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \\ &= \frac{L}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \langle \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

**Dem.  $2 \Rightarrow 3$ :** Change the roles of  $x$  and  $y$  and sum. **Dem.  $3 \Rightarrow 2$ :** Exercise.

# Baillon–Haddad ( $3 \Rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow 1$ )

$3 \Rightarrow 4$ : Using 2 and convexity we have, for every  $x, y, z$  in  $\mathcal{H}$

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) + \langle \nabla F(x) \mid z - x \rangle &\leq F(z) \\ F(z) &\leq F(y) + \langle \nabla F(y) \mid z - y \rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|z - y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

which leads to

$$F(x) + \langle \nabla F(x) \mid y - x \rangle \leq F(y) + \underbrace{\langle \nabla F(y) - \nabla F(x) \mid z - y \rangle + \frac{L}{2} \|z - y\|^2}_{\varphi(z)}.$$

Since  $\varphi: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is strongly convex and differentiable, admits a unique minimizer satisfying (Fermat)

$$0 = \nabla \varphi(z^*) = \nabla F(y) - \nabla F(x) + L(z^* - y) \Leftrightarrow z^* - y = \frac{1}{L} (\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y))$$

obtaining  $F(x) + \langle \nabla F(x) \mid y - x \rangle \leq F(y) - \frac{1}{2L} \|\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y)\|^2$ . Changing the roles of  $x$  and  $y$ , the result follows.

$4 \Rightarrow 1$ : C-S. □.



# $F$ convex nonsmooth: Subdifferential

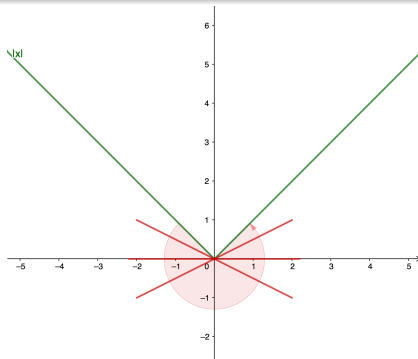
## Subdifferential of $F$

$$\partial F: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{H}} = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{H})$$

$$x \mapsto \{u \in \mathcal{H} \mid (\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) F(x) + \langle u \mid y - x \rangle \leq F(y)\}$$

**Example:**  $|x| = \begin{cases} x, & \text{if } x \geq 0; \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$

$$\partial |\cdot|: x \mapsto \begin{cases} \{1\}, & \text{if } x > 0; \\ [-1, 1], & \text{if } x = 0; \\ \{-1\}, & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$



## $F$ convex non-smooth: Subdifferential

If  $F$  is G-differentiable, then, for every  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  
 $\partial F(x) = \{\nabla F(x)\}$ .

**Dem.** Let  $u \in \partial F(x)$ , let  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ , and let  $t > 0$ . Set  $y = x + th$

$$\langle u | h \rangle \leq \frac{F(x + th) - F(x)}{t} \rightarrow \langle \nabla F(x) | h \rangle \Rightarrow \langle u - \nabla F(x) | h \rangle \leq 0. \quad \square$$

### Chain's rule: Moreau-Rockafellar

Suppose that  $F = f + g$  and  $g$  is continuous in a point of  $\text{dom } f$ . Then, for every  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\partial F(x) = \partial f(x) + \partial g(x)$ .

### Monotonicity of $\partial F$

For every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $u \in \partial F(x)$ , and  $v \in \partial F(y)$ ,

$$\langle u - v | x - y \rangle \geq 0.$$

When  $F$  is G-differentiable, it reduces to monotonicity of the gradient.

# $F$ convex non-smooth: Fermat

- If  $F$  is convex and non necessarily G-differentiable, we have

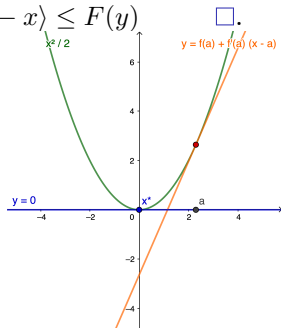
## Fermat's Theorem

$$x \in \arg \min F \Leftrightarrow 0 \in \partial F(x)$$

Dem.  $0 \in \partial F(x) \Leftrightarrow (\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad F(x) + \langle 0 | y - x \rangle \leq F(y)$  □.

## Fermat's Theorem ( $F$ G-diff)

$$x^* \in \arg \min F \Leftrightarrow \nabla F(x^*) = 0$$



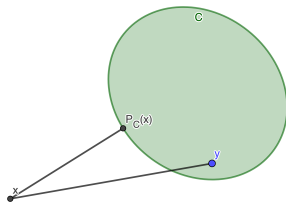
# Proximity operator

Suppose that  $F \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .

Proximity operator of  $F$

$$\text{prox}_F: x \mapsto \underset{y \in \mathcal{H}}{\text{argmin}} F(y) + \frac{1}{2} \|y - x\|^2$$

Example:  $F = \iota_C$



**Projection**

$$\text{prox}_{\iota_C} = P_C x = \underset{y \in C}{\text{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|y - x\|^2.$$

# Proximity operator

- Since  $F + \|\cdot - x\|^2/2 \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  is strongly convex,  $\arg \min(F + \|\cdot - x\|^2/2) = \{p^*\}$  and  $\text{prox}_F$  is well defined.
- By Fermat's and Moreau-Rockafellar's Theorems:

$$0 \in \partial(F + \|\cdot - x\|^2/2)(p^*) = \partial F(p^*) + \{p^* - x\}$$

- Then  $p^* = \text{prox}_F(x)$  is the unique solution to the inclusion

$$x \in p^* + \partial F(p^*) = (\text{Id} + \partial F)(p^*)$$

or, equivalently,

$$\text{prox}_F(x) = (\text{Id} + \partial F)^{-1}(x).$$

## Example: smooth thresholder

Set  $\lambda > 0$  and  $F = \lambda|\cdot|$ .

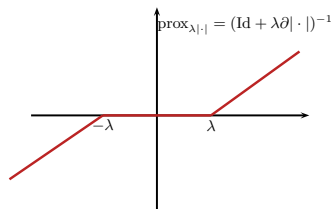
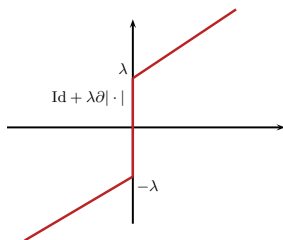
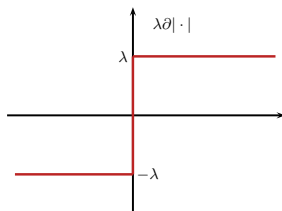
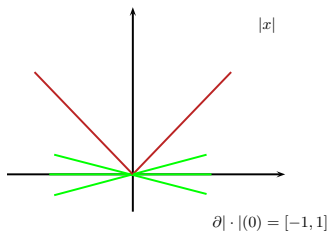
Proximity operator of  $\lambda|\cdot|$

$$p = \text{prox}_{\lambda|\cdot|}x \Leftrightarrow x - p \in \lambda\partial|\cdot|(p) = \begin{cases} \{\lambda\}, & \text{if } p > 0; \\ [-\lambda, \lambda], & \text{if } p = 0; \\ \{-\lambda\}, & \text{if } p < 0. \end{cases}$$

- If  $p > 0$ , then  $x - p = \lambda$  and  $p = x - \lambda > 0$ .
- If  $p < 0$ , then  $x - p = -\lambda$  and  $p = x + \lambda < 0$ .
- If  $p = 0$ , then  $x - p = x \in [-\lambda, \lambda]$ .

$$\text{prox}_{\lambda|\cdot|}x = \begin{cases} x - \lambda, & \text{if } x > \lambda; \\ 0, & \text{if } x \in [-\lambda, \lambda]; \\ x + \lambda, & \text{if } x < -\lambda \end{cases} = \text{sign}(x) \max\{0, |x| - \lambda\}.$$

# Example: smooth thresholder



# Exercise

For every  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , let  $f_i \in \Gamma_0(\mathbb{R})$ . Define  $F: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  as

$$(\forall x = (x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad F(x) = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i(x_i).$$

Prove that

$$(\forall x = (x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \text{prox}_F x = (\text{prox}_{f_i} x_i)_{1 \leq i \leq N}.$$



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# Part I: $f$ and $g$ are G-differentiable

- 1 Gradient operator  $G_{\gamma F}$ .
- 2  $\arg \min F = \text{Fix } G_{\gamma F}$ .
- 3  $F$  strongly convex and  $\nabla F$  Lipschitz
  - $G_{\gamma F}$  strict contraction.
  - Banach-Picard's theorem.
- 4  $F$  with  $\nabla F$  Lipschitz
  - $G_{\gamma F}$  averaged nonexpansive.
  - Opial's lemma.

# From Fermat to fixed points

## Problem (P)

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} F(x) = f(x) + g(x).$$

- $f$  and  $g$  differentiable and convex and  $\gamma > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x^* \in \arg \min F &\Leftrightarrow 0 = \nabla F(x^*) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^* = x^* - \gamma \nabla F(x^*) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^* = G_{\gamma F} x^* \end{aligned}$$

## Gradient operator

$$G_{\gamma F} x = x - \gamma \nabla F(x).$$

# $F = f + g$ strongly convex

## Definition

Let  $L > 0$  and let  $T: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ .

- $T$  is  **$L$ -Lipschitz** if  $(\forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}) \ \|Tx - Ty\| \leq L\|x - y\|$ .
- $T$  is a **strict contraction** if it is  $L$ -Lipschitz with  $L \in ]0, 1[$ .
- **$\text{Fix } T = \{x \in \mathcal{H} \mid x = Tx\}$** : fixed points of  $T$ .

## Theorem

- $F$  is  $G$ -differentiable,  $\rho$ -strongly convex,  $\nabla F$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz.
- $0 < \gamma < \frac{2}{L}$ .

Then,  $G_{\gamma F}$  is  **$r_G(\gamma)$ -strict contraction**, where

$$r_G(\gamma) = \max\{|1 - \gamma\rho|, |1 - \gamma L|\} \in ]0, 1[.$$

Moreover,  $r_G\left(\frac{2}{L+\rho}\right) = \min_{\gamma>0} r_G(\gamma) = \frac{L-\rho}{L+\rho}$ .

## Proof $G_{\gamma F}$ strict contraction

- $F$  is  $\rho$ -strongly convex  $\Leftrightarrow h = F - \frac{\rho}{2}\|\cdot\|^2$  is convex.
- $F$  differentiable  $\Leftrightarrow h$  differentiable and  $\nabla h = \nabla F - \rho \text{Id}$ .
- $\nabla F$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous (B-H)
  - $\Leftrightarrow \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \leq L\|x - y\|^2$
  - $\Leftrightarrow \langle \nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y) \mid x - y \rangle \leq (L - \rho)\|x - y\|^2$
  - $\Leftrightarrow \nabla h$  is  $(L - \rho)$ -Lipschitz continuous.

For every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $\mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|G_{\gamma F}x - G_{\gamma F}y\|^2 &= \|x - y - \gamma(\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y))\|^2 \\
 &= \|(1 - \gamma\rho)(x - y) - \gamma(\nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y))\|^2 \\
 &= (1 - \gamma\rho)^2\|x - y\|^2 + \gamma^2\|\nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y)\|^2 \\
 &\quad - 2\gamma(1 - \gamma\rho)\langle \nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y) \mid x - y \rangle \\
 &\leq (1 - \gamma\rho)^2\|x - y\|^2 \\
 &\quad + \gamma(\gamma(L + \rho) - 2)\langle \nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y) \mid x - y \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

# Proof $G_{\gamma F}$ strict contraction

Two cases:

- If  $\gamma < \frac{2}{L+\rho}$ : Since  $h$  is convex and differentiable,  $\nabla h$  is monotone, i.e.,  $\langle \nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y) \mid x - y \rangle \geq 0$ , obtaining

$$\|G_{\gamma F}x - G_{\gamma F}y\|^2 \leq \underbrace{(1 - \gamma\rho)^2}_{\leq r_G(\gamma)^2} \|x - y\|^2.$$

- If  $\gamma \geq \frac{2}{L+\rho}$ :  $h$  is convex and  $\nabla h$  is  $(L - \rho)$ -Lipschitz, B-H implies  $\langle \nabla h(x) - \nabla h(y) \mid x - y \rangle \leq (L - \rho)\|x - y\|^2$ , which yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_{\gamma F}x - G_{\gamma F}y\|^2 &\leq ((1 - \gamma\rho)^2 + \gamma(L - \rho)(\gamma(L + \rho) - 2))\|x - y\|^2 \\ &= \underbrace{(1 - \gamma L)^2}_{\leq r_G(\gamma)^2} \|x - y\|^2. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

## Banach-Picard's theorem

- Suppose that  $T: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is a strict contraction with constant  $L \in [0, 1[$ .
- Let  $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ .

Then  $\text{Fix } T = \{x^*\}$  and  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \|x_n - x^*\| \leq L^n \|x_0 - x^*\|$ .  
Hence,  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$  with linear convergence rate  $L$ .

- In particular, the gradient method converges with a linear rate of  $r_G(\gamma)$ .

# Proof of Banach-Picard's Theorem

**Dem.** For every  $m > n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_m - x_n\| &\leq \|x_m - x_{m-1}\| + \cdots + \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\ &\leq \|Tx_{m-1} - Tx_{m-2}\| + \cdots + \|Tx_n - Tx_{n-1}\| \\ &\leq (L^{m-2} + \cdots + L^{n-1})\|x_1 - x_0\| \\ &= (L^{n-1} - L^{m-1})/(1 - L)\|x_1 - x_0\| \rightarrow 0, m, n \rightarrow +\infty \end{aligned}$$

- $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence, hence it converges to  $x^*$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \|x^* - Tx^*\| &\leq \|x^* - x_n\| + \|Tx_{n-1} - Tx^*\| \\ &\leq \|x^* - x_n\| + \|x_{n-1} - x^*\| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

- Then  $x^* \in \text{Fix } T$ . Uniqueness (**exercise**).
- $\|x_n - x^*\| = \|Tx_{n-1} - Tx^*\| \leq L\|x_{n-1} - x^*\| \leq \cdots \leq L^n\|x_0 - x^*\|. \quad \square$



# Gradient operator without strong conv.

- Since  $F$  is differentiable and convex, we already know that

$$x^* \in \arg \min F \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad x^* \in \text{Fix } G_{\gamma F} = (\text{Id} - \gamma \nabla F)$$

- Since  $F$  is not strongly convex,  $G_{\gamma F}$  is no longer a strict contraction and Banach-Picard's theorem does not guarantee the convergence of the gradient method.
- Still, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_{\gamma F}x - G_{\gamma F}y\|^2 &= \|x - y\|^2 + \gamma^2 \|\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y)\|^2 \\ &\quad - 2\gamma \langle \nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y) \mid x - y \rangle \\ &\leq \|x - y\|^2 - \gamma \left( \frac{2}{L} - \gamma \right) \|\nabla F(x) - \nabla F(y)\|^2 \\ &= \|x - y\|^2 - \left( \frac{1 - \frac{L\gamma}{2}}{\frac{L\gamma}{2}} \right) \underbrace{\| \gamma \nabla F(x) - \gamma \nabla F(y) \|^2}_{\text{Id} - G_{\gamma F}} \end{aligned}$$

# Gradient operator without strong conv.

## Definition

$T$  is  $\alpha$ -averaged nonexpansive ( $\alpha \in ]0, 1[$ ) if for every  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \|(\text{Id} - T)x - (\text{Id} - T)y\|^2.$$

In particular,  $T$  is nonexpansive (i.e., 1-Lipschitz cont.)

- Then  $G_{\gamma F}$  is  $L\gamma/2$ -averaged nonexpansive if  $0 < \gamma < 2/L$ .

## Theorem

- $T$  is  $\alpha$ -averaged nonexpansive with  $\text{Fix } T \neq \emptyset$ .
- Let  $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ .

Then, there exists  $x^* \in \text{Fix } T$  such that  $x_n \rightharpoonup x^*$ .

- In particular, the gradient method converges weakly to a solution.

# Fixed point convergence: averaged nonexpansive

Dem.

- For every  $x^* \in \text{Fix } T$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the av. nonexpansive property implies

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 = \|Tx_n - Tx^*\|^2 \leq \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \|Tx_n - x_n\|^2.$$

- We obtain that  $(\|x_n - x^*\|)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is decreasing and bounded from below (by 0). Thus,

(1)

$(\forall x^* \in \text{Fix } T) \quad (\|x_n - x^*\|)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges.

# Fixed point convergence: averaged nonexpansive

- As a by-product we obtain

$$(1 - \alpha)/\alpha \|Tx_n - x_n\|^2 \leq \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{1 - \alpha}{\alpha} \sum_{n=0}^N \|Tx_n - x_n\|^2 \leq \|x_0 - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{N+1} - x^*\|^2$$

- Hence, the series  $\sum_{n \geq 0} \|Tx_n - x_n\|^2$  converges implying  $x_n - Tx_n \rightarrow 0$ .
- Since  $(x_{n_k})_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is bounded, let  $y^*$  be any weak accumulation point, i.e.,  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup y^*$ . Since  $T$  is 1-Lipschitz,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|x_{n_k} - y^*\|^2 + \|y^* - Ty^*\|^2 + 2\langle y^* - Ty^* | x_{n_k} - y^* \rangle \\ &= \|x_{n_k} - Ty^*\|^2 \\ &= \|x_{n_k} - Tx_{n_k}\|^2 + \|Tx_{n_k} - Ty^*\|^2 + 2\langle x_{n_k} - Tx_{n_k} | Tx_{n_k} - Ty^* \rangle \\ &\leq \underbrace{\|x_{n_k} - Tx_{n_k}\|^2}_{\rightarrow 0} + \|x_{n_k} - y^*\|^2 + 2\left\langle \underbrace{x_{n_k} - Tx_{n_k}}_{\rightarrow 0} \mid \underbrace{Tx_{n_k} - Ty^*}_{\text{bounded}} \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

# Fixed point convergence: averaged nonexpansive

(2)

Any weak accumulation point of  $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is in  $\text{Fix } T$ .

- With (1) and (2), we can conclude the uniqueness of the accumulation point.<sup>5</sup>
- Suppose that  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup x^*$  and  $x_{n_m} \rightharpoonup y^*$ .
- (2)  $\Rightarrow x^*$  and  $y^*$  are in  $\text{Fix } T$ .
- (1)  $\Rightarrow \|x_n - x^*\| \rightarrow L_1$  and  $\|x_n - y^*\| \rightarrow L_2$ .
- $\underbrace{\|x_n - x^*\|^2}_{\rightarrow L_1^2} = \underbrace{\|x_n - y^*\|^2}_{\rightarrow L_2^2} + \|y^* - x^*\|^2 + 2\langle x_n - y^* \mid y^* - x^* \rangle$
- $\langle y^* - x^* \mid x_n \rangle \rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2}(L_1^2 - L_2^2 - \|y^* - x^*\|^2) + \langle y^* - x^* \mid y^* \rangle$ .
- $\langle y^* - x^* \mid x^* \rangle \xleftarrow{n=n_k} \langle y^* - x^* \mid x_n \rangle \xrightarrow{n=n_m} \langle y^* - x^* \mid y^* \rangle$
- $\|y^* - x^*\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x^* = y^*$ .  $\square$

<sup>5</sup>The argument is known as Opial's Lemma

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## Part II: $g$ are G-differentiable

- 1 Proximal-gradient operator  $\text{prox}_{\gamma f} G_{\gamma g}$ .
- 2  $\arg \min F = \text{Fix } \text{prox}_{\gamma f} G_{\gamma g}$ .
- 3  $g$  strongly convex and  $\nabla g$  Lipschitz:  $G_{\gamma g}$  strict contraction.
- 4  $f$  strongly convex and  $\nabla g$  Lipschitz:  $\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  strict contraction.
- 5  $g$  with  $\nabla g$  Lipschitz:  $\text{prox}_{\gamma f} G_{\gamma g}$  av. nonexpansive.

# From Fermat to fixed points

## Problem (P)

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} F(x) = f(x) + g(x).$$

- $g$  differentiable and convex and  $\gamma > 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x^* \in \arg \min F &\Leftrightarrow 0 \in \partial f(x^*) + \nabla g(x^*) \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^* - \gamma \nabla g(x^*) \in \gamma \partial f(x^*) + x^* \\ &\Leftrightarrow x^* = \text{prox}_{\gamma f}(G_{\gamma g} x^*) \end{aligned}$$

## Forward-backward operator

$$T_{\gamma f, \gamma g} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} \circ G_{\gamma g}$$



# Proximity operator revisited

Let  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  and  $\gamma > 0$

## Proximity operator

$$p = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} x \Leftrightarrow \frac{x - p}{\gamma} \in \partial f(p)$$

## Property

$\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  is **1/2-averaged nonexpansive**

**Dem.** Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ , set  $p = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} x$ , and  $q = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} y$ . The monotonicity of  $\partial f$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \left\langle \frac{x - p}{\gamma} - \frac{y - q}{\gamma} \mid p - q \right\rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma} (\langle x - y \mid p - q \rangle - \|p - q\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

## $g$ differentiable and strongly convex

Suppose that  $g$  is  $\rho$ -strongly convex and  $\nabla g$  is  $L_g$ -Lipschitz.

- Then  $G_{\gamma g}$  is a  $\max\{|1 - \gamma\rho|, |1 - \gamma L_g|\}$ -strict contraction for  $\gamma \in ]0, 2/L_g[$ .
- $\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  is nonexpansive (1-Lipschitz).

$T_{\gamma f, \gamma g} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} \circ G_{\gamma g}$  is  $\max\{|1 - \gamma\rho|, |1 - \gamma L_g|\}$ -strict cont.

### Forward-backward splitting (FBS)

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad x_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f}(x_n - \gamma \nabla g(x_n))$$

Then  $x_n \rightarrow x^* \in \arg \min[F = (f + g)]$  linearly.

# $g$ differentiable and $f$ strongly convex

## Proximity operator

$$p = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} x \Leftrightarrow \frac{x - p}{\gamma} \in \partial f(p)$$

Suppose that  $f$  is  $\rho$ -strongly convex.

## Property

$\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  is  $\frac{1}{1+\gamma\rho}$ -strict contraction

**Dem.** Let  $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ , set  $p = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} x$ , and  $q = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} y$ . The strong monotonicity of  $\partial f$  (monotonicity of  $\partial f - \rho \text{Id} = \partial(f - \frac{\rho}{2} \|\cdot\|^2)$ ) implies

$$\rho \|p - q\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} (\langle x - y \mid p - q \rangle - \|p - q\|^2),$$

from which we obtain by C.S.  $(1 + \gamma\rho)\|p - q\| \leq \|x - y\|$

□

## $g$ differentiable and $f$ strongly convex

Suppose that  $f$  is  $\rho$ -strongly convex and  $\nabla g$  is  $L_g$ -Lipschitz.

- Then  $G_{\gamma g}$  is  $\gamma L_g/2$ -averaged nonexpansive for  $\gamma \in ]0, 2/L_g[$  (it is nonexpansive for  $\gamma = 2/L_g$ ).
- $\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  is  $\frac{1}{1+\gamma\rho}$ -strict contraction.

$T_{\gamma f, \gamma g} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} \circ G_{\gamma g}$  is  $\frac{1}{1+\gamma\rho}$ -strict contraction.

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Then  $x_n \rightarrow x^* \in \arg \min[F = (f + g)]$  linearly.

## General case: $\nabla g$ is $L_g$ -Lipschitz.

- Let  $\gamma \in ]0, 2/L_g[$ . Then  $G_{\gamma g}$  is  $\gamma L_g/2$ -averaged nonexpansive.
- Let  $\gamma > 0$ . Then  $\text{prox}_{\gamma f}$  is  $1/2$ -averaged nonexpansive.
- Composition of averaged nonexpansive operators is averaged nonexpansive ?

### Combettes-Yamada (2015)

Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be averaged nonexpansive with constants  $\alpha_1 \in ]0, 1[$  and  $\alpha_2 \in ]0, 1[$ , respectively. Then  $T = S_1 \circ S_2$  is  $\alpha$ -averaged nonexpansive, where

$$\alpha = \frac{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 - 2\alpha_1\alpha_2}{1 - \alpha_1\alpha_2} \in ]0, 1[.$$

General case:  $\nabla g$  is  $L_g$ -Lipschitz.

$T_{\gamma f, \gamma g} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f} \circ G_{\gamma g}$  is averaged nonexpansive.

Forward-backward splitting (FBS)

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad x_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\gamma f}(x_n - \gamma \nabla g(x_n))$$

Then  $x_n \rightarrow x^* \in \arg \min(f + g)$ .

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## Part III: General case

- 1 Reflection operator  $R_{\gamma f}$ .
- 2  $\arg \min F = \text{prox}_{\gamma g}(\text{Fix } R_{\gamma f} R_{\gamma g})$ .
- 3  $g$  strongly convex and  $\nabla g$  Lipschitz:  $R_{\gamma g}$  strict contraction.
- 4  $R_{\gamma f} R_{\gamma g}$  nonexpansive: KM iterations.



# Reflections

Let  $f$  and  $g$  be functions in  $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .

## Problem

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} f(x) + g(x)$$

## Definition: Reflection operator

$$R_f = 2\text{prox}_f - \text{Id}$$

## Proposition

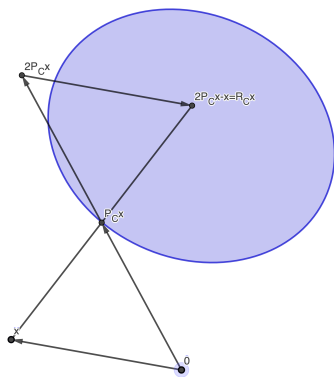
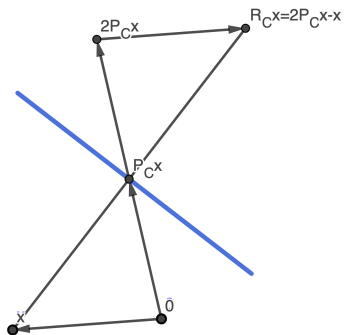
$(\forall \gamma > 0)$   $R_{\gamma f}$  is nonexpansive (1-Lipschitz)

Dem.

$$\begin{aligned} \|R_f x - R_f y\|_2^2 &= 4(\|\text{prox}_f x - \text{prox}_f y\|_2^2 - \langle \text{prox}_f x - \text{prox}_f y \mid x - y \rangle) \\ &\quad + \|x - y\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \|x - y\|_2^2 \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

# Reflections

**Example:**  $f = \iota_C$ . Then  $\text{prox}_f = P_C$  y  $R_f = 2P_C - \text{Id}$ .



# Reflections

## Proposition

If  $z^* \in \text{Fix } R_f R_g$ , then  $\text{prox}_g z^* \in \arg \min(f + g)$

Dem.

$$\begin{aligned}
 z^* = R_f R_g z^* &\Leftrightarrow z^* = 2\text{prox}_f(2\text{prox}_g z^* - z^*) - 2\text{prox}_g z^* + z^* \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \text{prox}_f(2\text{prox}_g z^* - z^*) = \text{prox}_g z^* \\
 &\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (2\text{prox}_g z^* - z^*) - \text{prox}_g z^* \in \partial f(\text{prox}_g z^*) \\ z^* - \text{prox}_g z^* \in \partial g(\text{prox}_g z^*) \end{cases} \\
 &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \text{prox}_g z^* - z^* \in \partial f(\text{prox}_g z^*) \\ z^* - \text{prox}_g z^* \in \partial g(\text{prox}_g z^*) \end{cases} \\
 &\Rightarrow 0 \in \partial f(\text{prox}_g z^*) + \partial g(\text{prox}_g z^*) \\
 &\Rightarrow \text{prox}_g z^* \in \arg \min(f + g).
 \end{aligned}$$

More generally, we have  $\text{prox}_g(\text{Fix } R_f R_g) = \arg \min(f + g)$ .

# Reflections: $\nabla g$ Lipschitz and $f + g$ strongly convex<sup>6</sup>

Suppose that

- $g$  is  $G$ -differentiable with  $L$ -Lipschitz gradient.
- $g$  is  $\rho$ -strongly convex.

Then  $R_{\gamma g}$  is  $r_g(\gamma)$ -strict contraction, where

$$r_g(\gamma) = \max \left\{ \frac{\gamma L - 1}{\gamma L + 1}, \frac{1 - \gamma \rho}{1 + \gamma \rho} \right\}.$$

Since  $R_{\gamma f}$  is nonexpansive, we have:

## Peaceman-Rachford algorithm

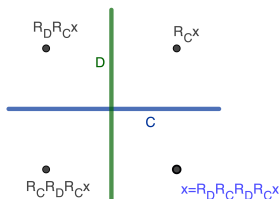
$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad z_{n+1} = R_{\gamma f} R_{\gamma g} z_n$ . Then  $z_n \rightarrow z^* \in \text{Fix } R_{\gamma f} R_{\gamma g}$   
(unique) linearly, and  $\text{prox}_{\gamma g} z^* \in \arg \min(f + g)$ .

*Rate is optimized at  $\gamma^* = 1/\sqrt{\rho L}$ .*

<sup>6</sup>Giselsson, Boyd (2017).

# Reflections: general case

- **Problem:**  $z_{n+1} = R_f R_g z_n$  does not converge.
- **Example:**  $f = \iota_D$  and  $g = \iota_C$ .



- $T = R_f R_g$  is (merely) nonexpansive (1-Lipschitz)

# $T$ nonexpansive with $\text{Fix } T \neq \emptyset$

- Let  $T: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be nonexpansive.
- $\text{Fix } T \neq \emptyset$ .

Then, defining

$$(\forall \alpha \in ]0, 1[) \quad T_\alpha = (1 - \alpha)\text{Id} + \alpha T,$$

we have (exercise)

- $T_\alpha$  is  $\alpha$ -averaged nonexpansive.
- $\text{Fix } T_\alpha = \text{Fix } T \neq \emptyset$ .

## Krasnoselskii-Mann (KM)

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad z_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha)z_n + \alpha T z_n,$$

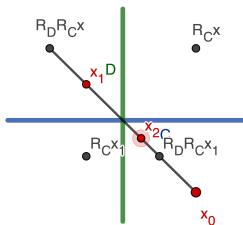
There exists  $z^* \in \text{Fix } T$ , such that  $z_n \rightharpoonup z^*$ .

# Douglas-Rachford splitting (DRS)

DRS: KM with  $T = R_{\gamma f}R_{\gamma g}$  and  $\alpha = 1/2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad z_{n+1} &= \frac{z_n + R_{\gamma f}R_{\gamma g}z_n}{2} \\
 &= \text{prox}_{\gamma f}(2\text{prox}_{\gamma g}z_n - z_n) + z_n - \text{prox}_{\gamma g}z_n
 \end{aligned}$$

There exists  $z^* \in \text{Fix } T$ , such that  $z_n \rightarrow z^*$  and  $\text{prox}_{\gamma g}z^* \in \arg \min(f + g)$ .



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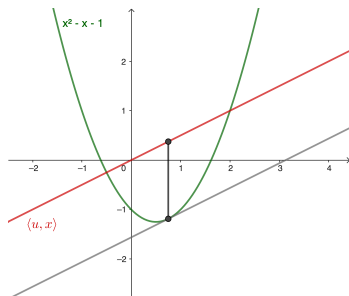
## Part IV: Case when $g = h \circ L$

- 1 Fenchel conjugate and Fenchel Rockafellar duality.
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- 3 Maximally monotone operators and non standard-metrics.
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# Duality: Fenchel conjugate and its properties

## Fenchel conjugate

$$(\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) \quad f^*(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{H}} (\langle x | y \rangle - f(x))$$



- $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H}) \Leftrightarrow f^* \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .
- $\partial f^* = (\partial f)^{-1}$ .
- $f^{**} = f$ .
- $\text{prox}_{\gamma f^*} x = x - \gamma \text{prox}_{f/\gamma}(x/\gamma)$ .

## Case $g = h \circ A$ : Fenchel-Rockafellar duality

- $h \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$ ,  $A: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{G}$  linear bounded,  $\text{ran } A \cap \text{dom } h \neq \emptyset$ .

Then  $g = h \circ A \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ .  $A^*: \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is the adjoint<sup>7</sup> of  $A$

### Primal problem

$$(P) \quad \min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} f(x) + h(Ax)$$

### Dual problem

$$(D) \quad \min_{u \in \mathcal{G}} f^*(-A^*u) + h^*(u)$$

- Both values coincide.
- $u^*$  solves (D), then any  $x^* \in \partial f^*(-A^*u^*)$  solves (P).<sup>8</sup>

<sup>7</sup> $\langle Ax \mid u \rangle = \langle x \mid A^*u \rangle$

<sup>8</sup>Proposition 19.4, Bauschke-Combettes (2017)

# Duality and ADMM<sup>9</sup>

If we use DRS with functions  $f^* \circ (-A^*)$  and  $h^*$  we obtain

## Alternating direction method of multipliers (ADMM)

$$x_{n+1} = \arg \min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} \left\{ f(x) + \langle u_n \mid Ax \rangle + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|Ax - y_n\|^2 \right\}$$


$$y_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{h/\gamma}(u_n/\gamma + Ax_{n+1})$$

$$u_{n+1} = u_n + \gamma(Ax_{n+1} - y_{n+1}).$$

The name follows from the fact that ADMM is also the alternating minimization-maximization of

### Augmented Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_\gamma(x, y, u) = f(x) + h(y) + \langle u \mid Ax - y \rangle + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|Ax - y\|^2$$

<sup>9</sup>Glowinski-Morocco (1975), Gabay-Mercier (1976), Gabay (1983) 

# Splitting the linear operator $A$

## Primal problem

$$(P) \quad \min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} f(x) + h(Ax)$$

Under qualification conditions, a more general chain rule holds:

$$\begin{aligned} x \text{ solves } (P) &\Leftrightarrow 0 \in \partial f(x) + A^* \partial h(Ax) \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\exists u \in \partial h(Ax)) \quad 0 \in \partial f(x) + A^* u \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\exists u \in \mathbb{R}^M) \quad \begin{cases} 0 \in \partial f(x) + A^* u \\ Ax \in (\partial h)^{-1} u = \partial h^*(u) \end{cases} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \partial f & A^* \\ -A & \partial h^* \end{bmatrix}}_M \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix}}_x \end{aligned}$$

# Monotone inclusions<sup>10</sup>

(MI) Find  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $\mathbf{0} \in M\mathbf{x}$ .

In our case

- $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{G}$ :  $\langle (x, u) \mid (y, v) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \langle x \mid y \rangle + \langle u \mid v \rangle$ .
- $M$ :  $\mathbf{x} = (x, u) \mapsto (\partial f(x) + A^*u) \times (\partial h^*(u) - Ax)$ .

## Proposition

$M$  is monotone.

**Dem:** Let  $(z, w) \in M(x, u)$  and  $(r, s) \in M(y, v)$ . Then  $z - A^*u \in \partial f(x)$ ,  $r - A^*v \in \partial f(y)$ ,  $w + Ax \in \partial h^*(u)$ ,  $s + Ay \in \partial h^*(v)$  and we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (x, u) - (y, v) \mid (z, w) - (r, s) \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= \langle x - y \mid z - r \rangle + \langle u - v \mid w - s \rangle \\ &= \langle x - y \mid z - r - A^*(u - v) \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle u - v \mid w - s + A(x - y) \rangle \geq 0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

<sup>10</sup>Note the similarity with Fermat.

# Maximally monotone operators

Denote  $\text{ran } \mathbf{A} = \cup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}: \mathbf{u} \mapsto \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H} \mid \mathbf{u} \in \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\}$ .

## Definition

$M: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{H}}$  is maximally monotone if it is monotone and  $\text{ran } (\mathbf{I} + M) = \mathcal{H}$ .

- Example:  $M = \partial f$  for  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ . Convexity  $\Rightarrow$  monotonicity. L.s.c.  $\Rightarrow$  maximality (**Exercise**).
- Example:  $M: (x, u) \mapsto (\partial f(x) + A^*u) \times (\partial h^*(u) - Ax)$ .

# Resolvent of maximally monotone operators

## Definition: resolvent

Given  $M: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow 2^{\mathcal{H}}$ , the resolvent of  $M$  is  $J_M = (I + M)^{-1}$ .

- Maximal monotonicity implies **1/2-averaged nonexpansiveness** of  $J_M$  and  $\text{dom } J_M = \mathcal{H}$ . (Exercise)
- $\text{Fix } J_M = M^{-1}\mathbf{0}$  (solution to (MI)).

## Proximal point algorithm (PPA)

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \mathbf{x}_{n+1} = J_M \mathbf{x}_n \rightarrow \mathbf{x}^* \in M^{-1}\mathbf{0}$$

- Example:  $M = \partial f$  for  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ ,  
 $J_M = (I + \partial f)^{-1} = \text{prox}_f$ ,  $\text{Fix } J_M = (\partial f)^{-1}\mathbf{0} = \arg \min f$ .
- Example:  $M: (x, u) \mapsto (\partial f(x) + A^*u) \times (\partial h^*(u) - Ax)$ .  
 $J_M$  is averaged nonexpansive and  $\text{Fix } J_M = M^{-1}\mathbf{0}$ , but...  
 $J_M$  is not explicit ! (try !)



## To some primal dual algorithms

- Let  $\delta > 0$  and let  $U: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be such that  $U^* = U$  and  $\langle Ux \mid x \rangle \geq \delta \|x\|^2$  (we denote  $U \in \mathcal{S}_\delta$ ).
- $\langle x \mid y \rangle_U = \langle x \mid Uy \rangle$  is an inner product for  $\mathcal{H}$  ( $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle_U)$  is a Hilbert space).
- $U^{-1}M$  is maximally monotone in  $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle_U)$ <sup>11</sup>.
- $M^{-1}\mathbf{0} = (U^{-1}M)^{-1}\mathbf{0}$  and we have the averaged nonexpansiveness of  $J_{U^{-1}M}$  in this new twisted space (PPA).
- **Question:**  $J_{U^{-1}M}$  is explicit for some  $U$  ?

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<sup>11</sup> $U^{-1}A: x \mapsto \{v \in \mathcal{H} \mid Uv \in Ax\}$

## To some primal dual algorithms

- Let  $\mathbf{M}: (x, u) \mapsto (\partial f(x) + A^*u) \times (\partial h^*(u) - Ax)$  which is maximally monotone in  $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_{\mathcal{H}})$ .
- Let  $\sigma > 0$  and  $\tau > 0$  and set

$$\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} I/\tau & -A^* \\ -A & I/\sigma \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note that for  $\sigma\tau\|A\|^2 < 1$ ,  $\mathbf{U} \in \mathcal{S}_{\delta}$  for some  $\delta > 0$ .
- Moreover, by setting  $\mathbf{p} = (p, q)$  and  $\mathbf{x} = (x, u)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p} = J_{\mathbf{U}^{-1}\mathbf{M}}\mathbf{x} &\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{U}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p}) \in \mathbf{M}\mathbf{p} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{x-p}{\tau} - A^*(u-q) \in \partial f(p) + A^*q \\ \frac{u-q}{\sigma} - A(x-p) \in \partial h^*(q) - Ap \end{cases} \\ &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} p = \text{prox}_{\tau f}(x - \tau A^*u) \\ q = \text{prox}_{\sigma h^*}(u + \sigma A(2p - x)) \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

# Primal-dual splitting<sup>12</sup>

## Primal-dual problems

$$(P) \quad \min_{x \in \mathcal{H}} f(x) + h(Ax)$$

$$(D) \quad \min_{u \in \mathcal{G}} f^*(-A^*u) + h^*(u)$$

## PPA applied to $U^{-1}M$ in $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_U)$

Let  $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $u_0 \in \mathcal{G}$ , and  $\tau\sigma\|A\|^2 < 1$ .

$$x_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau f}(x_n - \tau A^*u_n)$$

$$u_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\sigma h^*}(u_n + \sigma A(2x_{n+1} - x_n)).$$

Then,  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$  and  $u_n \rightarrow u^*$ ,  $x^*$  solves (P) and  $u^*$  solves (D).

- If  $f$  or  $h^*$  strongly convex: rate  $O(1/n^2)$  in values  $(\tau_n, \sigma_n)$ .
- If  $f$  and  $h^*$  strongly convex: linear rate.

<sup>12</sup>Chambolle-Pock (2011), Condat (2013), Vũ(2011)

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# Numerical experiments and extensions

- 1 Variable steps/metrics.
- 2 Numerical experiments in image processing.
- 3 Numerical experiments in stationary mean field games.
- 4 Discussion.

## Extensions: Variable steps/metrics/preconditioners

- In all previous methods, we can use non-standard metrics instead of step-sizes: for  $\Upsilon \in \mathcal{S}_\tau$  and  $\Sigma \in \mathcal{S}_\sigma$ ,

$$I/\tau \rightarrow \Upsilon^{-1} \quad \text{and} \quad I/\sigma \rightarrow \Sigma^{-1}.$$

- In primal-dual algorithm, the condition on this metrics is generalized:

$$\tau\sigma\|A\|^2 < 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \|\sqrt{\Sigma}A\sqrt{\Upsilon}\| < 1.$$

- It is also possible to prove convergence when  $\Sigma_n$  and  $\Upsilon_n$ , leading to  $U_n$ . But needs strong compatibility conditions as

$$U_{n+1} \preceq (1 + \eta_n)U_n \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|U_n\| < +\infty,$$

for  $(\eta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell_+^1(\mathbb{R})$ . **Idea:** There exists  $U$  such that  $U_n \rightarrow U$  pointwise, and use Opial in  $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle_U)$ .

# Numerics in image processing

- $z = Ax + \varepsilon$ :  $A$  blur,  $\varepsilon$  noise.
- Image piecewise constant.

## TV minimization

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \lambda \|Dx\|_1 + \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - z\|_2^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|x\|_2^2$$

Original



Degraded



**Figure:** Blur of size  $3 \times 3$  and a Gaussian noise with standard deviation  $\sigma = 0.012$ .

# Alternative formulations

## Primal fully-split formulation

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} f(x) + g(Lx)$$

- $f: x \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - z\|_2^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|x\|_2^2 \rightarrow \text{prox}_f$
- $g = \lambda \|\cdot\|_1 \rightarrow \text{prox}_{g^*}$
- $L = D$

## Primal-dual splitting

$$\tau\gamma \|D\|^2 < 1$$

For  $n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = (\tau A^\top A + (\tau\epsilon + 1)\text{Id})^{-1}(x_n - \tau D^\top u_n + \tau A^\top y) \\ u_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\gamma g^*}(y_n + \gamma D(2x_{n+1} - x_n)) \end{cases}$$



# Alternative formulations

## Primal-dual formulation

$$\min_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ u \in \mathbb{R}^M}} f(x) + g(u) + \iota_A(x, u)$$

- $f \oplus g: (x, u) \mapsto \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - z\|_2^2 + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|x\|_2^2 + \lambda \|u\|_1$   
 $\rightarrow (\text{prox}_f, \text{prox}_g)$
- $A = \ker[L, -\text{Id}] \rightarrow P_A$ .

## Primal-dual Douglas-Rachford

For  $n = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} x_n = (\tau A^\top A + (\tau\epsilon + 1)\text{Id})^{-1}(\tau A^\top y + z_n) \\ v_n = \text{prox}_{\tau g}(\tilde{z}_n) \\ u_n = (DD^\top + \text{Id})^{-1}(D(2x_n - z_n) - 2v_n + \tilde{z}_n) \\ z_{n+1} = x_n - D^\top u_n \\ \tilde{z}_{n+1} = v_n + u_n \end{cases}$$

# Alternative formulations

## Dual unsplit formulation

$$\min_{u \in \mathbb{R}^M} g^*(u) + f^*(-L^*u)$$

- $g^* \rightarrow \text{prox}_g$
- $f^* \circ (-L^*) \rightarrow \text{prox}_{f^* \circ (-L^*)}$

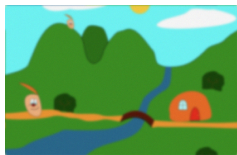
## ADMM

For  $n = 0, 1, \dots$

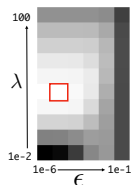
$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = (A^\top A + \epsilon \text{Id} + \tau D^\top D)^{-1} (A^\top y + D^\top (\tau u_n - y_n)) \\ u_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{g/\tau} (D x_{n+1} + y_n / \tau) \\ y_{n+1} = y_n + \tau (D x_{n+1} - u_{n+1}) \end{cases}$$

# Results

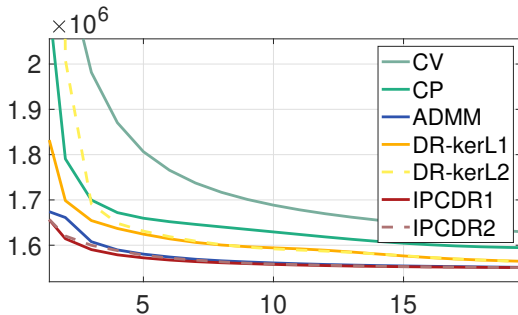
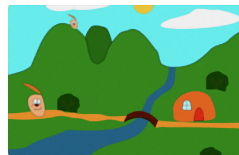
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SNR MAP



Restored



# Numerics in Stationary mean field games

## MFG

$$-\partial_t u - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta u + \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{2} = f(x, m(t))$$

$$u(x, T) = g(x, m(T))$$

$$\partial_t m - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \Delta m - \operatorname{div}(m \nabla u) = 0$$

$$m(0) = m_0$$

# Numerics in Stationary mean field games

## Stationary MFG (SMFG)

$$\begin{aligned}
 -\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\Delta u + \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{2} + \lambda &= f(x, m), \\
 -\frac{\sigma^2}{2}\Delta m - \operatorname{div}(m\nabla u) &= 0, \\
 \int_Q u(x)dx = 0, \quad m \geq 0, \quad \int_Q m(x)dx &= 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

The solution  $(u, m, \lambda)$  of SMFG describes the long time average of solutions  $(u^T, m^T)$  of MFG as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ <sup>13</sup>.

<sup>13</sup>P. Cardaliaguet, J.-M. Lasry, P.-L. Lions, A. Porretta, *Long time average of mean field games with a nonlocal coupling*, *SIAM J. Control Optim.*, 2013

# Variational Approach

$$b(m,w) = \begin{cases} \frac{|w|^2}{2m}, & \text{if } m > 0; \\ 0, & \text{if } (m,w) = (0,0); \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad F(x,m) = \begin{cases} \int_0^m f(x,m') dm', & \text{if } m \geq 0; \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The SMFG is (formally) the FOC of the optimization problem

## Optimization Problem ( $P$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf_{m,w} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} [b(m(x), w(x)) + F(x, m(x))] dx \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{cases} -\nu \Delta m(x) + \operatorname{div}(w(x)) = 0, & \text{in } \mathbb{T}^2 \\ \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} m(x) dx = 1, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where  $u$  and  $\lambda$  are Lagrange multipliers and  $w = -m \nabla u$  (see Lasry & Lions, 2007).

# Discrete SMFG

DSMFG (Achdou & Capuzzo Dolcetta, 2010)

$$-\nu(\Delta_h u^h)_{i,j} + \frac{1}{2} |\widehat{[D_h u^h]}_{i,j}|^2 + \lambda^h = f(x_{i,j}, m_{i,j}^h) \quad \forall 0 \leq i, j \leq N_h - 1$$

$$-\nu(\Delta_h m^h)_{i,j} - (\operatorname{div}_h(m^h \widehat{[D_h u^h]}))_{i,j} = 0 \quad \forall 0 \leq i, j \leq N_h - 1$$

$$m_{i,j}^h \geq 0, \quad h^2 \sum_{i,j} m_{i,j}^h = 1, \quad \sum_{i,j} u_{i,j}^h = 0.$$

- $h > 0$ ,  $N_h = 1/h$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_h = \mathbb{R}^{N_h \times N_h}$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_h = \mathbb{R}^{4(N_h \times N_h)}$ .
- $\widehat{[D_h u]}_{i,j} = ((D_1 u)_{i,j}^-, (D_1 u)_{i-1,j}^+, (D_2 u)_{i,j}^-, (D_2 u)_{i,j-1}^+) \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , where  
 $(D_1 u)_{i,j} := \frac{u_{i+1,j} - u_{i,j}}{h}$ ,  $(D_2 u)_{i,j} := \frac{u_{i,j+1} - u_{i,j}}{h}$ .

- $\Delta_h$  and  $\operatorname{div}_h$  are linear operators defined by

$$(\Delta_h m)_{i,j} := -\frac{1}{h^2} (4m_{i,j} - m_{i+1,j} - m_{i-1,j} - m_{i,j+1} - m_{i,j-1})$$

$$(\operatorname{div}_h(w))_{i,j} := (D_1 w^1)_{i-1,j} + (D_1 w^2)_{i,j} + (D_2 w^3)_{i,j-1} + (D_2 w^4)_{i,j}.$$

## SMFG discretization

- If  $\nu > 0$ ,  $f(x, \cdot)$  is increasing and we suppose that the stationary system admits a unique classical solution, in Achdou, Camilli & Capuzzo Dolcetta (2013) the convergence of DSMFG (unif- $L^2$ ) to the unique solution to the stationary system as  $h \rightarrow 0$  is proved.



# Optimization Problem ( $P_h$ )

## Discrete optimization problem ( $P_h$ )

$$\inf_{(m,w) \in \mathcal{M}_h \times \mathcal{W}_h} h^2 \sum_{i,j=0}^{N_h-1} \left[ \hat{b}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j}) + F(x_{i,j}, m_{i,j}) \right]$$

s.t. 
$$\begin{cases} -\nu(\Delta_h m)_{i,j} + (\operatorname{div}_h w)_{i,j} = 0, & \forall 0 \leq i, j, \leq N_h - 1 \\ h^2 \sum_{i,j} m_{i,j} = 1. \end{cases}$$

- $-\nu\Delta_h: \mathcal{M}_h \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_h$  and  $\operatorname{div}_h: \mathcal{W}_h \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_h$  are linear.
- $\hat{b}: \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^4$  is given by

$$\hat{b}: (m, w) \mapsto \begin{cases} \frac{|w|^2}{2m}, & \text{if } m > 0, w \in K, \\ 0, & \text{if } (m, w) = (0, 0), \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- $K := \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_- \times \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}_-$ .

## $(P_h)$ 's structure

- Assume  $f(x, \cdot)$  increasing ( $F(x, \cdot)$  convex).
- $\varphi: (m, w) \mapsto \sum_{i,j} \phi_{i,j}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j})$  where,  $\forall 0 \leq i, j \leq N_h - 1$ ,  $\phi_{i,j}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j}) = \hat{b}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j}) + F(x_{i,j}, m_{i,j})$  is proper, convex, l.s.c., non-smooth.
- Denote  $-\nu \Delta_h = A$  and  $\operatorname{div}_h = B$ .

$(P_h)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{(m,w) \in \mathcal{M}_h \times \mathcal{W}_h} \varphi(m, w) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{cases} Am + Bw = 0, \\ h^2 \mathbf{1}^\top m = 1. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

## $(P_h)$ 's unsplit reformulation

- $\Xi: (m, w) \mapsto (Am + Bw, h^2 \mathbf{1}^\top m)$ .

$(P_h^0)$

$$\min_{(m,w) \in \mathcal{M}_h \times \mathcal{W}_h} \Phi^0(m, w) := \varphi(m, w) + \iota_{\Xi^{-1}(0,1)}(m, w)$$

- We call it **unsplit** formulation.
- We can use Douglas-Rachford or Primal-dual splitting ( $L = \text{Id}$ ):
  - 1  $P_{\Xi^{-1}(0,1)}$ , which need the inversion of  $(AA^* + BB^*)$ .
  - 2  $\text{prox}_\varphi$ .

## $(P_h)$ 's fully-split reformulation

- $\Xi: (m, w) \mapsto (Am + Bw, h^2 \mathbf{1}^\top m)$ .

$(P_h^1)$

$$\min_{(m,w) \in \mathcal{M}_h \times \mathcal{W}_h} \Phi^1(m, w) = \varphi(m, w) + \iota_{(0,1)}(\Xi(m, w))$$

- We call it **fully-split** formulation.
- Primal-dual splitting:
  - 1  $\text{prox}_\varphi$ .
  - 2 Explicit activations of  $\Xi$  and  $\Xi^*$ .
  - 3  $\psi = \iota_{\{(0,1)\}}$ ,  $\text{prox}_{\gamma\psi^*} = \text{Id} - \gamma(0, 1)$ , and  $L = \Xi$ .
  - 4 Then, it includes a Lagrange multiplier step of the form

$$u^{n+1} = u^n + \gamma(\Xi x^n - (0, 1))$$

- 5 The primal iterates  $(x_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  are not feasible !
- 6 Very slow...

# Projected Chambolle-Pock splitting<sup>14</sup>

We avoid matrix inversions along with ensuring primal iterates to satisfy some of the constraints.

## Projected Chambolle-Pock (PCP)

Let  $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $u_0 \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $\sigma\tau\|L\|^2 < 1$ .

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \begin{cases} p_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau\varphi}(x_n - \tau L^* u_n) \\ x_{n+1} = P_C p_{n+1} \\ u_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\sigma\psi^*}(u_n + \sigma L(x_{n+1} + p_{n+1} - x_n)). \end{cases}$$

$(x^k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C$  converges to a solution in  $C$ .

- In particular, we use  $C$  as the mass constraint.
- $C$  can change deterministically/randomly among iterations.

<sup>14</sup>with J. Deride, S. López Rivera, and C. Vega 

## prox $_{\gamma\varphi}$ computation

- In all previous methods we need to compute  $\text{prox}_{\gamma\varphi}(m, w)$ .
- Recall that  $\varphi: (m, w) \mapsto \sum_{i,j} \phi_{i,j}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j})$ , where  $\phi_{i,j}: (\mu, \omega) \mapsto \hat{b}(\mu, \omega) + F_{i,j}(\mu)$  and  $F_{i,j} = F(x_{i,j}, \cdot)$ .
- We have  $\text{prox}_{\gamma\varphi}(m, w) = (\text{prox}_{\gamma\phi_{i,j}}(m_{i,j}, w_{i,j}))_{i,j}$ .

### Prox computation

$$\text{prox}_{\gamma\phi_{i,j}}: (\mu, \omega) \mapsto \begin{cases} (0, 0), & \text{if } \mu + \frac{1}{2\gamma}|P_C\omega|^2 \leq \gamma F'(0); \\ (p^*, p^* P_C\omega/(p^* + \gamma)), & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $p^* \geq 0$  is the unique solution to

$$(p + \gamma F'(p) - m)(p + \gamma)^2 - \frac{\gamma}{2}|P_K w|^2 = 0.$$

- We extend prox in Papadakis, Peyre & Oudet (2014) used in the context of optimal transport (we include  $F$  and  $K$ ).

Test 1<sup>15</sup>

We consider the first-order stationary MFG system  
(Almulla-Ferreira-Gomes, 2015)

$$\frac{1}{2}|\nabla u|^2 - \lambda = \log m - \sin(2\pi x) - \sin(2\pi y),$$

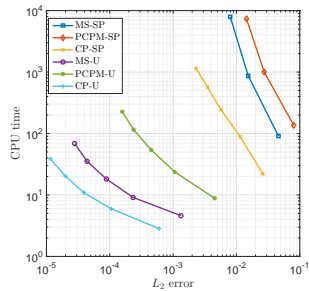
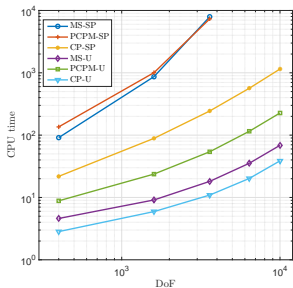
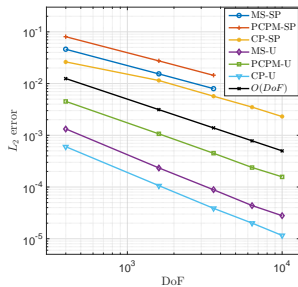
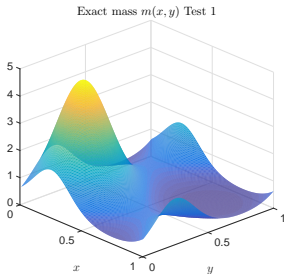
$$\operatorname{div}(m\nabla u) = 0, \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} m dx = 1, \quad \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} u dx = 0,$$

with explicit solution

$$u(x, y) = 0, \quad m(x, y) = e^{\sin(2\pi x) + \sin(2\pi y) - \lambda},$$
$$\lambda = \log \left( \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} e^{\sin(2\pi x) + \sin(2\pi y)} dx dy \right).$$

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<sup>15</sup>with F.J Silva and D. Kalise





# Discussion

- All the algorithms include inertial and/or relaxation steps and errors.
- All the revised algorithms have their monotone counterparts.
- Which method I should use for my problem ? See the seminar tomorrow...

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