Point-of-Care Tomographic Imaging

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Introduction



Question to Consider

How do we estimate these geometry parameters to obtain a reconstructed image?

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Mathematical Problem



Linear Algebra Problem

$$Ax = b$$

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The Optimization Problem

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Block Coordinate Descent (BCD)

Given an initial guess p_0 .

$$\boldsymbol{x}_{k} = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{x}} \|\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{p}_{k})\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{b}\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda_{k}^{2} \|\boldsymbol{x}\|^{2}$$
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Figure: Use initial parameters to take the image.

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Figure: Use the image to find better parameters.

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$$\boldsymbol{p}_2 = \arg\min_{\boldsymbol{p}} \|\boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{p})\boldsymbol{x}_1 - \boldsymbol{b}\|_2^2$$

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Figure: Continue until you get a good image

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(a) Solution after BCD



(b) True Solution

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Q: Should the perturbations be randomly or constantly stimulated?

Random Perturbations



Figure: First row: Both random, Second row: θ , Third row: R

Constant Perturbations



Figure: First row: Both constant, Second row: θ , Third row: R

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Solution With Initial Parameters



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- Find other applications of this algorithm.

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