TITLE AUTHORS 2 Abstract. Abstract 3 4 Key words. key words AMS subject classifications. AMS ref numbers 5 1. Introduction. 6 1.1. Contributions. 7 1.2. Previous studies / State-of-the-art. Liste de papiers intéressants: 8 [4]: variable projection with constraints on the variable but there is no 9 regularization 10 [5]: variable projection with regularization but without constraint. The 11 formulation loses the structure of variable projection (they lose the exact 12 projection) and does not handle box constraint with regularization. In con-13 trast, we can handle both contraints and regularizations using primal-dual 14 optimization. 15 • J. Chen, M. Gan, G.-Y. Chen and C. L. P. Chen, "Constrained Variable Pro-16 jection Optimization for Stationary RBF-AR Models," in IEEE Transactions 17 18 on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics: Systems, vol. 52, no. 3, pp. 1882-1890, March 2022, doi: 10.1109/TSMC.2020.3034644. 19 Pas d'accès à l'I2M et pas de version preprint (article IEEE) 20 • "Constrained variable projection method for blind deconvolution" (doi: 10.1088/1742-6596/386/1/012005): not very interesting, variable projection with nonneg-22 ative constraints and Tikhonov regularization (similar to what we do for topothesy τ) 24 • à compléter 25 1.3. Organization of the paper. 26 1.4. Notation. 27 2. . 28 3. . $\min_{\boldsymbol{\beta},\boldsymbol{\tau}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(F_n(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \boldsymbol{\tau} - \tilde{w}_n \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\alpha} \left\| \boldsymbol{\tau} \right\|_2^2 + \lambda_{\beta} \mathcal{R}(\boldsymbol{\beta})$ (3.1)29 s.t. $\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathbb{R}^{M}_{+}$, $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in]0,1[^{M}_{-}]$ where R is a regularization that is proper, convex and lower-semicontinuous. For 30 instance, \mathcal{R} can be the total variation (TV) $\mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}\|_1$ with \mathbf{D} the discrete 31 gradient matrix defined as the idendity matrix with coefficients -1 on its subdiagonal. 32 33 Equation (3.1) has the typical form of a constrained variable projection problem [2]. Indeed, it can be formulated as 34

 $\min_{\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\tau}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \\ \sqrt{\lambda_{\alpha}} \operatorname{Id} \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\tau} - \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{w}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_{2}^{2} + \lambda_{\beta} \mathcal{R}(\boldsymbol{\beta})$ s.t. $\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{M}, \, \boldsymbol{\beta} \in]0, 1[^{M}.$

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Solving Problem 3.1 can be performed in a block-descent scheme. Minimization 36 37 with respect to τ consists in solving a non-negative least-squares problem. This problem has a long history and can be solved using one of the standard methods. 38 For instance one can use the trust region reflective algorithm described in [1] and 39 implemented in SciPy library [6]. On the other hand, minimization with respect to 40 β can be performed with primal-dual methods [3]. Indeed, setting f as the indicator 41 function of the set $[\epsilon, 1-\epsilon]$, g as the ℓ_1 -norm multiplied by λ_{β} , and h as the least-42 squares term, Problem 3.1 can be written as an unconstrained problem of the form 43

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$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^M} f(\boldsymbol{\beta}) + g(\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\beta}) + h(\boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

where f, g, and h are proper, convex, and lower-semicontinuous functions, h is gradient 1-Lipschitz, and D is a linear operator from \mathbb{R}^M to \mathbb{R}^M . The dual problem of (3.3) is hence given by

48 (3.4)
$$\min_{\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^M} (f^* \star_{\inf} h^*) (\mathbf{L}^\top \mathbf{v}) + g^*(\mathbf{v}),$$

where v is the dual variable, * denotes the Fenchel transform such that $f^*(\mathbf{v}) =$ 49 $\sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^M} (\langle \mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{v} \rangle - f(\mathbf{x})), \text{ and } \star_{\inf} \text{ is the infinimal convolution defined by } (f \star_{\inf} g)(\mathbf{x}) =$ 50 $\inf_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^M} f(\mathbf{y}) + g(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$. Note that the infinimal convolution acts to the Fenchel 51 transform as the classic convolution to the Fourier transform [3]. For instance, the 52 two following equalities hold: $(f \star_{\inf} g)^* = f^* + g^*$ and $(f+g)^* = f^* \star_{\inf} g^*$. While in Fourier analysis we are interested in transform of products and convolutions, in convex 54 analysis, we are interested in the transform of sum since our objective function is often composed by a sum of several terms. The main idea of primal-dual algorithms consists 56 then to solve both the primal (3.3) and the dual (3.4) problems at the same time. A parallel to solving signal processing problems using time-frequency approach can 58 59 be made. Exploiting information of both problems allows primal-dual techniques to vield computational advantages as well as to tackle more general problems.

In order to solve Problem (3.3) (and consequently (3.4)), we propose to use the Rescaled Primal Dual Forward-Backward (RFBPD) [3] whose iteration scheme is displayed in Equation (3.5)

$$\mathbf{p}_{n} = \operatorname{prox}_{\rho f}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_{n} - \rho(\nabla h(\boldsymbol{\beta}_{n}) + \sigma \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{v}_{n}))$$

$$\mathbf{q}_{n} = (\operatorname{Id} - \operatorname{prox}_{\lambda g/\sigma})(\mathbf{v}_{n} + \mathbf{D}(2\mathbf{p}_{n} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_{n}))$$

$$(\boldsymbol{\beta}_{n+1}, \mathbf{v}_{n+1}) = (\boldsymbol{\beta}_{n}, \mathbf{v}_{n}) + \omega_{n}((\mathbf{p}_{n}, \mathbf{q}_{n}) - (\boldsymbol{\beta}_{n}, \mathbf{v}_{n})),$$

where ω is a positive relaxation or inertial factor, and τ and σ are the two step-sizes. Noting that Id $-\operatorname{prox}_{\lambda g/\sigma}$ is, up to a rescaling, equal to $\operatorname{prox}_{\sigma g^*}$, the iteration (3.5) closely looks like a Forward-Backward (FB) step performs on the primal, followed by a FB step performs on the dual.

The implementation of the RFBPD algorithm to solve (3.1) is given in Algorithm 3.1 where $\operatorname{Soft}_{\gamma}$ is the soft thresholding operator with positive parameter γ applied element-wise $\operatorname{Soft}_{\gamma}(x) = \operatorname{sgn}(x) \max(0, |x| - \gamma)$.

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5. Conclusion. Conclusion

Appendix A. Proof of blablabla.

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Algorithm 3.1 Implementation of RFBPD to solve (3.1) in β

Input: Initial value of β_0

Input: $(\tau, \sigma) \in]0, +\infty[^2, \text{ and } \omega \in \mathbb{R}_+.$

Output: Estimate of β .

- 1: Initialize i to 0.
- 2: Initialize \mathbf{v} to $\mathbf{0}$.
- 3: repeat
- 4: Primal update:

$$\mathbf{p} = \boldsymbol{\beta} - \tau \nabla g(\boldsymbol{\beta}) - \sigma \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{v}$$
$$\mathbf{p} = \Pi_{[\epsilon, 1 - \epsilon]^{M}}(\mathbf{p})$$

5: Dual update:

$$\mathbf{q} = (\mathrm{Id} - \mathrm{Soft}_{\lambda_{\beta}/\sigma})(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{S}(2\mathbf{p} - \boldsymbol{\beta}))$$

6: Inertial update:

$$\beta = \beta + \omega(\mathbf{p} - \beta)$$
$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \omega(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{v})$$

- 7: Increment i.
- 8: until stopping criterion is met
- 9: return β

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