

# Proximal Neural Networks: Wedding Variational Methods and Artificial Intelligence

## II – Proximal algorithms

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# Unified framework

## Inference framework: feed-forward NN

$$\begin{aligned} (\forall \mathbf{x}^{[0]} \in \mathbb{R}^{N_0}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{[K]} &= \mathfrak{L}_{\Theta}^K(\mathbf{x}^{[0]}) \\ &= \mathfrak{T}_{\Theta_K} \circ \dots \circ \mathfrak{T}_{\Theta_1}(\mathbf{x}^{[0]}), \end{aligned}$$

## Layer/iteration

$$\mathfrak{T}_{\Theta_k} : \mathbb{R}^{N_{k-1}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_k} : \mathbf{x} \mapsto \mathfrak{D}_{\Lambda_k}(\mathbf{L}_k \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}_k),$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{L}_k : \mathbb{R}^{N_{k-1}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_k}$ : linear operator,
- ▶  $\mathbf{b}_k \in \mathbb{R}^{N_k}$ : shift parameter,
- ▶  $\mathfrak{D}_{\Lambda_k} : \mathbb{R}^{N_k} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_k}$ : nonlinear operator parametrized by  $\Lambda_k$ .

**Parameters:**  $\Theta = \cup_{k=1}^K \Theta_k$  with  $\Theta_k = \{\Lambda_k, \mathbf{L}_k, \mathbf{b}_k\}$ .

# Basic convex analysis tools

## ► Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$

## ► Moreau subdifferential

Let  $f: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  and  $x \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\partial f(x) = \{t \in \mathcal{H} \mid (\forall y \in \mathcal{H}) \ f(y) \geq f(x) + \langle t \mid y - x \rangle\}.$$

►  $\Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ : class of lower-semicontinuous convex functions, finite at least at one point (proper)

► If  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  is Gâteaux-differentiable at  $x$ , then  $\partial f(x) = \{\nabla f(x)\}$

► Fermat's rule:  $\widehat{x} \in \operatorname{Argmin} f \Leftrightarrow 0 \in \partial f(\widehat{x})$

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$$\text{► } \mathbf{p} = \text{prox}_f(\mathbf{x}) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{p} \in \partial f(\mathbf{p}) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{p} \in (\text{Id} + \partial f)^{-1}(\mathbf{x})$$

► See <https://proximity-operator.net> for the expression/code of  $\text{prox}_f$  for many functions  $f$

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- $f$  is  **$\rho$ -convex** if  $f - \frac{\rho}{2} \|\cdot\|^2$  is convex  
if  $\rho > 0$ ,  $f$  is  **$\rho$ -strongly convex**  
if  $\rho < 0$ ,  $f$  is  **$(-\rho)$ -weakly convex**

- If  $f$  is proper lower-semicontinuous and  $\rho$ -convex with  $\rho > -1$ , then  $\text{prox}_f(x)$  is uniquely defined for every  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ .

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## ► Moreau envelope

$$(\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \tilde{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \inf_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 + f(\mathbf{y}).$$

$$\text{Argmin } f = \text{Argmin } \tilde{f}$$

- If  $f$  is proper lower-semicontinuous and  $\rho$ -convex with  $\rho > -1$ , then  $\tilde{f}$  is  $\rho/(1 + \rho)$ -convex with Lipschitz continuous gradient  $\nabla \tilde{f} = \text{Id} - \text{prox}_f$ .

# Fixed point algorithm: zeros and fixed points

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**Example 1: gradient descent**

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## Example 2: proximal point

$$\hat{x} \in \text{Argmin } f \Leftrightarrow 0 \in \partial f(\hat{x}) \Leftrightarrow \hat{x} - \hat{x} \in \partial f(\hat{x}) \Leftrightarrow \hat{x} \in \text{prox}_f(\hat{x})$$

$$\Rightarrow \Phi = \partial f, \quad \mathcal{T} = \text{prox}_f = \text{Id} - \nabla \tilde{f}$$

**Question:** How to find a minimizer  $\hat{x}$ ?

# Fixed point algorithm: convergence

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space,  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathcal{H}$ .

- $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  **converges strongly** to  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  if

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\mathbf{x}^{[k]} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\| = 0.$$

It is denoted by  $\mathbf{x}^{[k]} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{x}}$ .

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Remark: In a finite dimensional Hilbert space, strong and weak convergences are equivalent.

# Banach-Picard theorem

$\mathfrak{T}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is  $\omega$ –**Lipschitz continuous** for some  $\omega > 0$  if

$$(\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H})(\forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \|\mathfrak{T}\mathbf{x} - \mathfrak{T}\mathbf{u}\| \leq \omega \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}\|.$$

$\mathfrak{T}$  is **nonexpansive** if it is 1–Lipschitz continuous.

## Banach-Picard theorem:

Let  $\omega \in [0, 1)$ ,  $\mathfrak{T}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be a  $\omega$ –Lipschitz continuous operator, and  $\mathbf{x}^{[0]} \in \mathcal{H}$ .  
Set

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} = \mathfrak{T}\mathbf{x}^{[k]}.$$

Then,  $\text{Fix } \mathfrak{T} = \{\hat{\mathbf{x}}\}$  for some  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathcal{H}$  and we have

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \|\mathbf{x}^{[k]} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\| \leq \omega^k \|\mathbf{x}_0 - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\|.$$

Moreover,  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges strongly to  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  with linear convergence rate  $\omega$ .

# Averaged nonexpansive operator

An operator  $\mathfrak{T}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is  **$\mu$ -averaged nonexpansive** for some  $\mu \in (0, 1]$  if, for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\|\mathfrak{T}\mathbf{x} - \mathfrak{T}\mathbf{u}\|^2 \leq \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}\|^2 - \left(\frac{1-\mu}{\mu}\right) \|(\text{Id} - \mathfrak{T})\mathbf{x} - (\text{Id} - \mathfrak{T})\mathbf{u}\|^2$$

$\mathfrak{T}$  is **firmly nonexpansive** if it is  $1/2$ -averaged.

$\mathfrak{T}$  is **nonexpansive** if and only if  $\mathfrak{T}$  is  $1$ -averaged.

## Theorem:

Let  $\mu \in (0, 1)$ , let  $\mathfrak{T}: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  be a  **$\mu$ -averaged nonexpansive operator** such that  $\text{Fix } \mathfrak{T} \neq \emptyset$ , and let  $\mathbf{x}^{[0]} \in \mathcal{H}$ .

Set  $(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} = \mathfrak{T}\mathbf{x}^{[k]}$ .

Then  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  **converges weakly to a point in  $\text{Fix } \mathfrak{T}$** .

# Nonlinear operators

Properties of $f$	$\mathfrak{T}$	$\omega$ -Lipschitz	$\mu$ -averaged
$f$ convex $\nabla f$ $\beta$ -Lipschitz	$\text{Id} - \tau \nabla f$ $\tau \in (0, 2\beta^{-1})$	$\omega = 1$	$\mu = \frac{\tau\beta}{2}$
$f$ $\rho$ -strongly convex $\nabla f$ $\beta$ -Lipschitz	$\text{Id} - \tau \nabla f$ $\tau \in (0, 2\beta^{-1})$	$\omega = \max\{(1 - \tau\rho), (\tau\beta - 1)\}$	$\mu = \frac{1+\omega}{2}$
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# Proximal algorithms

- Minimisation problem :**

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{x}} \in \underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{Argmin}} \quad f_1(\boldsymbol{x}) + f_2(\boldsymbol{x})$$

with  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  either diff. with Lipschitz gradient or proximable.

- Design of a sequence of the form:**

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \boldsymbol{x}^{[k+1]} = \mathfrak{T} \boldsymbol{x}^{[k]},$$

Gradient descent	$\mathfrak{T} = \operatorname{Id} - \tau(\nabla f_1 + \nabla f_2)$
Proximal point	$\mathfrak{T} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau(f_1+f_2)}$
Forward-Backward	$\mathfrak{T} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_2}(\operatorname{Id} - \tau \nabla f_1)$
Peaceman-Rachford	$\mathfrak{T} = (2\operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_2} - \operatorname{Id}) \circ (2\operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_1} - \operatorname{Id})$
Douglas-Rachford	$\mathfrak{T} = \operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_2}(2\operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_1} - \operatorname{Id}) + \operatorname{Id} - \operatorname{prox}_{\tau f_1}$

## PRIMAL ALGORITHMS

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- Roots in projected gradient method [Levitin, 1966] when  $f_2 = \iota_C$  for some closed convex set  $C$ .
- If  $f_2 = 0$ , gradient descent algorithm
- if  $f_1 = 0$ , proximal point algorithm.

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- For every  $\tau > 0$ ,  $\operatorname{zer}(\nabla f_1 + \partial f_2) = \operatorname{Fix} \mathfrak{T}$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} x \in \operatorname{Fix} \mathfrak{T} &\Leftrightarrow (\operatorname{Id} - \tau \nabla f_1)x \in (\operatorname{Id} + \tau \partial f_2)x \\ &\Leftrightarrow 0 \in \nabla f_1(x) + \partial f_2(x). \end{aligned}$$

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**Theorem** [Combettes, Wajs, 2005]:

Let  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence generated by the FB algorithm. Let  $\tau \in (0, 2\beta^{-1})$ . Then

- $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to a minimiser  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  of  $f$  (if there exists one)
- $(f(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}))_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  is a non-increasing sequence converging to  $f(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$ .

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- Convergence may be slow in practice...
  - ☞ Use Nesterov acceleration (*inertia/momentum*)
  - ☞ Use second order information (*preconditioning*)
  - ☞ Use multilevel strategy
- What if  $\operatorname{prox}_{\gamma_k f_2}$  does not have a closed form?
  - ☞ Use sub-iterations (e.g. dual FB algorithm)
  - ☞ Use more advanced methods (e.g. primal-dual algorithms)

## ACCELERATION VIA INERTIA



# What is inertia?

**Goal:** Inertia aims to use information from the **previous iterate(s)**  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k']})_{k' \leq k}$  to build the next iterate  $\mathbf{x}^{[k+1]}$ .

**Why?** Use memory to go faster!

For FB we have

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} = \mathfrak{T}_k(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}) \text{ where } \mathfrak{T}_k = \text{prox}_{\tau f_2} \circ (\text{Id} - \tau \nabla f_1)$$

Introducing inertia would lead to

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} = \tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_k(\mathbf{x}^{[1]}, \dots, \mathbf{x}^{[k]})$$

**QUESTION:** How to choose  $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_k$ ?

**REMARK:** In general  $\tilde{\mathfrak{T}}_k$  only depends on  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{x}^{[k-1]})$  to avoid memory issues

## Particular case: Inertia for GD algorithm

Let  $f_2 \equiv 0$ . In this case  $\text{prox}_{f_2} = \text{Id}$ .

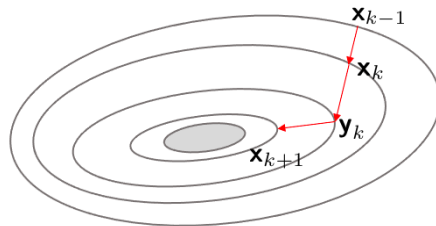
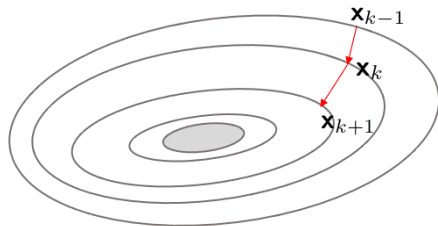
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- Each iteration takes nearly the same computational cost as GD
- **not** a *descent* method (i.e. we may not have  $f_1(\mathbf{x}^{[k+1]}) \leq f_1(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})$ )

# Inertial FB

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For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Let } \gamma_k \in (0, 1/\beta] \\ \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} = \text{prox}_{\tau_k f_2} \left( \mathbf{y}^{[k]} - \tau_k \nabla f_1(\mathbf{y}^{[k]}) \right) \\ \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]} = \mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} + \alpha_k (\mathbf{x}^{[k+1]} - \mathbf{x}^{[k]}) \end{array} \right.$$

► [Beck & Teboulle, 2009]

Adopt the inertia (momentum) strategy proposed by Nesterov

$$\alpha_k = \frac{\theta_k - 1}{\theta_{k+1}} \quad \text{with} \quad \theta_{k+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4\theta_k^2}}{2}, \theta_1 = 0$$

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- Improved iteration complexity
- (Almost) same computational complexity per iteration as FB
- **Issue**: Does the sequence  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  converge?

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Then the sequence  $(\mathbf{x}^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges weakly to a minimiser of  $f$ .

## DUALITY

[Komodakis & Pesquet, 2015]



# Minimization problem

Find

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \operatorname{Argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} f_1(\mathbf{x}) + f_2(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x})$$

- ▶  $f_1: \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex and  $\beta$ -Lipschitz differentiable
- ▶  $f_2 \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$
- ▶  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$  and  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{G})$ : space of linear continuous operators

## Use FB algorithm ?

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## How to compute $\operatorname{prox}_{\tau(f_2+g \circ \mathbf{W})}$ ?

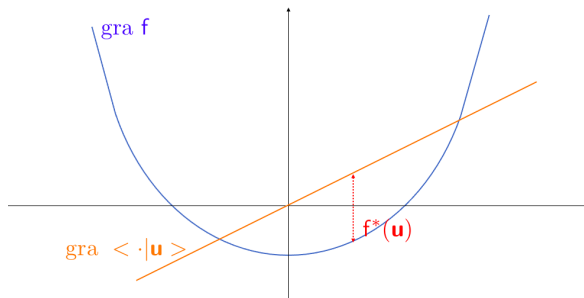
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Graphical illustration:  $f^*(\mathbf{u})$  is the supremum of the signed vertical distance between the graph of  $f$  and that of the linear functional  $\langle \cdot \mid \mathbf{u} \rangle$



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## Moreau-Fenchel theorem

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space and  $f: \mathcal{H} \rightarrow (-\infty, +\infty]$  be a proper function.

$$f \text{ is l.s.c. and convex} \Leftrightarrow f^{**} = f.$$

In general,  $f^{**}$  is the lower semi-continuous convex envelope of  $f$ .

# Conjugate: properties

**Fenchel-Young inequality:** If  $f$  is proper, then

$$1. \quad (\forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{H}^2) \quad f(\mathbf{x}) + f^*(\mathbf{u}) \geq \langle \mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{u} \rangle$$

$$2. \quad (\forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{H}^2) \quad \mathbf{u} \in \partial f(\mathbf{x}) \Leftrightarrow f(\mathbf{x}) + f^*(\mathbf{u}) = \langle \mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{u} \rangle.$$

If  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ , then

$$(\forall (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{H}^2) \quad \mathbf{u} \in \partial f(\mathbf{x}) \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{x} \in \partial f^*(\mathbf{u}).$$

Equivalently,  $\partial f^* = (\partial f)^{-1}$ .

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Example: If  $C$  is a nonempty closed convex set of  $\mathcal{H}$ , its indicator function is

$$(\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \iota_C(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \mathbf{x} \in C \\ +\infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The conjugate of  $\iota_C$  is the **support function** of  $C$ :  $(\forall \mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{H}) \quad \iota_C^*(\mathbf{u}) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} \langle \mathbf{u} | \mathbf{x} \rangle$   
and  $\text{prox}_{\iota_C^*} = \text{Id} - \text{proj}_C$ .

**Special case:**  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}^N$ ,  $C = [-\delta, \delta]^N$  with  $\delta > 0$ ,  $\iota_C^* = \delta \|\cdot\|_1$

$\Rightarrow \text{prox}_{\iota_C^*} = \text{Id} - \text{proj}_{[-\delta, \delta]^N}$ : soft-thresholding with threshold  $\delta$

# Fenchel-Rockafellar duality

## Primal problem

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Proof: According to Fenchel-Young inequality,

$$f(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}) + f^*(-\mathbf{W}^*\mathbf{u}) + g^*(\mathbf{u}) \geq \langle \mathbf{x} | -\mathbf{W}^*\mathbf{u} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{u} \rangle = 0.$$

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## Strong duality

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be two real Hilbert spaces.

Let  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$ , and  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{G})$ .

If  $\text{int}(\text{dom} g) \cap \mathbf{W}(\text{dom} f) \neq \emptyset$  or  $\text{dom} g \cap \text{int}(\mathbf{W}(\text{dom} f)) \neq \emptyset$ , then

$$\mu = \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}} f(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}) = -\min_{\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{G}} f^*(-\mathbf{W}^*\mathbf{u}) + g^*(\mathbf{u}) = -\mu^*.$$

# Fenchel-Rockafellar duality

## Duality theorem (2)

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  be two real Hilbert spaces.

Let  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$ , and  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{G})$ .

- If there exists  $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}) \in \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{G}$  such that  $-\mathbf{W}^* \hat{\mathbf{u}} \in \partial f(\hat{\mathbf{x}})$  and  $\mathbf{W} \hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \partial g^*(\hat{\mathbf{u}})$ , then  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  (resp.  $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ ) is a solution to the primal (resp. dual) problem.

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## FORWARD-BACKWARD ITERATIONS IN THE DUAL

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- $\widetilde{f^*}$  is the **Moreau envelope** of  $f^*$
- $\widetilde{f^*}$  is differentiable and  $\nabla \widetilde{f^*} = \operatorname{Id} - \operatorname{prox}_{f^*} = \operatorname{prox}_f$  1-Lipschitz continuous
- Use FB on the dual problem!

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Choose  $u_0 \in \mathbb{R}^M$  and  $\tau \in (0, 2/\|\mathbf{W}\|^2)$ .

For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} x^{[k]} = \text{prox}_f(z - \mathbf{W}^*u^{[k]}) \\ u^{[k+1]} = \text{prox}_{\tau g^*}(u^{[k]} + \tau \mathbf{W}x^{[k]}) \end{cases}$$

[Combettes, Dung & Vũ, 2011]

The sequence  $(u^{[k]})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges weakly to a solution to the dual problem  $\hat{u}$ .

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ADMM

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**ADMM algorithm** (*Alternating-direction method of multipliers*)

⇒ **Lagrangian interpretation**

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- **Lagrange function** :  $\mathcal{L}(x, u, v) = f(x) + g(u) + \langle v \mid \mathbf{W}x - u \rangle$   
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- **Idea**: iterations for finding a saddle point  $(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}, \hat{\mathbf{v}})$ :

$$(\forall n \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}^{[k]} \in \text{Argmin} \ \mathcal{L}(\cdot, \mathbf{u}^{[k]}, \mathbf{v}^{[k]}) \\ \mathbf{u}^{[k+1]} \in \text{Argmin} \ \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \cdot, \mathbf{v}^{[k]}) \\ \mathbf{v}^{[k+1]} \text{ such that } \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{u}^{[k+1]}, \mathbf{v}^{[k+1]}) \geq \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{u}^{[k+1]}, \mathbf{v}^{[k]}). \end{cases}$$

But **convergence not guaranteed in general !**

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- **Solution** : introduce an **Augmented Lagrange function**:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{u}) + \gamma \langle \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u} \rangle + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{u}\|^2$$

- ⇒ The Lagrange multiplier is  $\mathbf{v} = \gamma \mathbf{w}$  with  $\gamma > 0$ .

# Alternating-direction method of multipliers

Algorithm for finding a saddle point:

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}^{[k]} \in \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}}{\text{Argmin}} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}^{[k]}, \mathbf{w}^{[k]}) \\ \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]} \in \underset{\mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{G}}{\text{Argmin}} \tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}^{[k]}) \\ \mathbf{w}^{[k+1]} \text{ such that } \tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]}, \mathbf{w}^{[k+1]}) \geq \tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbf{x}^{[k]}, \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]}, \mathbf{w}^{[k]}). \end{cases}$$

By performing a gradient ascent on the Lagrange multiplier,

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# Augmented Lagrange method

## ADMM algorithm (*Alternating-direction method of multipliers*)

Let  $f \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{H})$  et  $g \in \Gamma_0(\mathcal{G})$ . Let  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{G})$  such that  $\mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{W}$  is an isomorphism and  $\gamma > 0$ .  
Let

$$(\forall k \in \mathbb{N}) \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{x}^{[k]} \in \underset{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{H}}{\text{Argmin}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}^{[k]} + \mathbf{w}^{[k]}\|^2 + \frac{1}{\gamma} f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \mathbf{s}^{[k]} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{x}^{[k]} \\ \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]} = \text{prox}_{\frac{g}{\gamma}}(\mathbf{w}^{[k]} + \mathbf{s}^{[k]}) \\ \mathbf{w}^{[k+1]} = \mathbf{w}^{[k]} + \mathbf{s}^{[k]} - \mathbf{y}^{[k+1]}. \end{cases}$$

We assume that  $\text{int}(\text{dom}g) \cap \mathbf{W}(\text{dom}f) \neq \emptyset$  or  $\text{dom}g \cap \text{int}(\mathbf{W}(\text{dom}f)) \neq \emptyset$  and that  $\text{Argmin}(f + g \circ \mathbf{W}) \neq \emptyset$ .

►  $\mathbf{x}^{[k]} \rightharpoonup \hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \text{Argmin}(f + g \circ \mathbf{W})$

≡ Douglas-Rachford for the dual problem



## PRIMAL-DUAL FORWARD-BACKWARD ITERATIONS

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**Karush-Kuhn-Tucker conditions:** Assume that  $\operatorname{dom} g \cap \mathbf{W}(\operatorname{dom} f) \neq \emptyset$  and  $f_2$  differentiable.

$(\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}}) \in \mathcal{H} \times \mathcal{G}$  is a solution to the Primal-Dual problem if and only if

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## REMARK:

- Algorithm known as the Condat-Vũ algorithm

# Step-size and convergence of Condat-Vũ algorithm

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[Vũ, 2013][Condat, 2013]

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DOUGLAS-RACHFORD (DR) ALGORITHM:  $f_2 \equiv 0$ ,  $\mathbf{W} = \operatorname{Id}$  and  $\tau = 1/\sigma$

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# CP algorithm and strong convexity $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \operatorname{Argmin}_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N} f_1(\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{W}\mathbf{x})$

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ACCELERATED VERSION:  $f_1$   $\rho$ -strongly convex [Chambolle & Pock, 2011]

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# Optimization algorithms

Forward-Backward	$f_1 + f_2$	$f_1$ grad. Lipschitz $\text{prox}_{f_2}$	[Combettes,Wajs,2005]
ISTA	$f_1 + f_2$	$f_1$ grad. Lipschitz $f_2 = \lambda \  \cdot \ _1$	[Daubechies et al, 2003]
Douglas-Rachford	$f_1 + f_2$	$\text{prox}_{f_1}$ $\text{prox}_{f_2}$	[Combettes,Pesquet, 2007]
PPXA	$\sum_i f_i$	$\text{prox}_{f_i}$	[Combettes,Pesquet, 2008]
PPXA+	$\sum_i g_i \circ \mathbf{W}_i$	$\text{prox}_{g_i}$ $(\sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{W}_i^* \mathbf{W}_i)^{-1}$	[Pesquet, Pustelnik, 2012]
ADMM	$f + g \circ \mathbf{W}$	$\text{prox}_f$ $(\mathbf{W}^* \mathbf{W})^{-1}$	[Eckstein, Yao, 2015]
Chambolle-Pock	$f + g \circ \mathbf{W}$	$\text{prox}_f$ $\text{prox}_g$	[Chambolle, Pock, 2011]
Condat-Vũ	$f_1 + f_2 + g \circ \mathbf{W}$	$\text{prox}_f$ $\text{prox}_g$ $f_2$ grad. Lipschitz	[Condat, 2013][Vũ, 2013]