

# HW 3 - CS754

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Q1

a) Define the restricted eigenvalue condition

$X : \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$  and  $N < p$ , then  $X^T X$ 's rank would be at most N so some eigenvalues would be zero

For a function to be strongly convex at  $\beta^*$ ,

$$\frac{v^T \nabla^2 f(\beta)v}{\|v\|_2^2} \geq \gamma, \text{ for all nonzero } v \in \mathbb{R}^p, \text{ for all } \beta \text{ in the neighbourhood of } \beta^*$$

But as our cost function's second derivative is  $\frac{X^T X}{N}$  so it is not strongly convex, but it is strongly convex in some subspace.

So our restricted eigenvalue condition states:

$$\frac{v^T X^T X v}{N \|v\|_2^2} \geq \gamma, \text{ for all nonzero } v \in C, \text{ for some } C \subset \mathbb{R}^p$$

b) Why is  $G(\hat{v}) \leq G(0)$

$$\begin{aligned} G(v) &= \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X(\beta^* + v)\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\beta^* + v\|_1 \\ G(\hat{v}) &= \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X(\beta^* + \hat{\beta} - \beta^*)\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\beta^* + \hat{\beta} - \beta^*\|_1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X(\hat{\beta})\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\hat{\beta}\|_1 = J(\hat{\beta}) \\ G(0) &= \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X(\beta^*)\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\beta^*\|_1 = J(\beta^*) \\ J(\hat{\beta}) &\leq J(\beta^*), \text{ as } \hat{\beta} \text{ is a minimizer of } J \\ \therefore G(\hat{v}) &\leq G(0) \end{aligned}$$

c) Do the algebra to obtain equation 11.21

$$G(\hat{v}) \leq G(0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y &= X\beta^* + w \\ \|y - X\beta^*\|_2^2 &= \|w\|_2^2 \\ \|y - X(\beta^* + \hat{v})\|_2^2 &= \|w - X\hat{v}\|_2^2 = (w - X\hat{v})^T (w - X\hat{v}) \\ &= w^T w + (\hat{v} X)^T X \hat{v} - w^T X \hat{v} - (X \hat{v})^T w \\ &= \|w\|_2^2 + \|X \hat{v}\|_2^2 - 2w^T X \hat{v} \quad (\text{since all are scalars and scalar } {}^T = \text{scalar}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X(\beta^* + \hat{v})\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\beta^* + \hat{v}\|_1 &\leq \frac{1}{2N} \|y - X\beta^*\|_2^2 + \lambda_N \|\beta^*\|_1 \\ \frac{1}{2N} (\|w\|_2^2 + \|X\hat{v}\|_2^2 - 2w^T X\hat{v}) &\leq \frac{\|w\|_2^2}{2N} + \lambda_N (\|\beta^*\|_1 - \|\beta^* + \hat{v}\|_1) \\ \frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} &\leq \frac{w^T X\hat{v}}{N} + \lambda_N (\|\beta^*\|_1 - \|\beta^* + \hat{v}\|_1) \end{aligned}$$

**d) Do the algebra in more detail to obtain equation 11.22**

$\beta$  is S sparse and the positions of non-zero elements are denoted by set  $s$ ,  $s^*$  is complement of  $s$ .

For any vector  $u$  of same dimensions as that of  $\beta$  then  $u_s$  is the vector obtained by making the elements zero at position  $p \in s^*$ .

As  $\beta_s^* = 0$ ,  $\|\beta\|_1 = \|\beta_s\|_1$

$$\|\beta^* + \hat{v}\|_1 = \|\beta_s^* + \hat{v}_s\|_1 + \|v_{s^*}\|_1$$

By triangular inequality,  $\|u - v\|_1 \geq \|u\|_1 - \|v\|_1$ , as  $\|u\|_1 = \sum |u_i|$  and  $|x - y| \geq |x| - |y|$ ,

therefore,  $\sum |u_i - v_i| \geq \sum |u_i| - \sum |v_i|$

$$\|\beta_s^* - (-\hat{v}_s)\|_1 \geq \|\beta_s^*\|_1 - \|-\hat{v}_s\|_1 = \|\beta_s^*\|_1 - \|\hat{v}_s\|_1$$

$$\text{So, } \|\beta_s^* + \hat{v}_s\|_1 + \|v_{s^*}\|_1 \geq \|\beta_s^*\|_1 - \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 + \|v_{s^*}\|_1$$

$$-\|\beta^* + \hat{v}\|_1 \leq -\|\beta_s^*\|_1 + \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1$$

Applying this to 11.21,

$$\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} \leq \frac{w^T X\hat{v}}{N} + \lambda_N (\|\beta^*\|_1 - \|\beta_s^*\|_1 + \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1)$$

$$\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} \leq \frac{w^T X\hat{v}}{N} + \lambda_N (\|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1)$$

Holder's inequality states  $\|fog\|_1 \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$ , given  $p, q \in [1, \infty)$  and  $1/p + 1/q = 1$

So,  $\|AB\|_1 = \|\langle A^T, B \rangle\|_1 \leq \|A^T\|_p \|B\|_q$ , given  $p, q \in [1, \infty)$  and  $1/p + 1/q = 1$

$w^T X\hat{v}$  is a scalar so  $w^T X\hat{v} = \|w^T X\hat{v}\|_1$

Here  $f = (w^T X)^T = X^T w$ ,  $g = \hat{v}$ ,  $p \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $q = 1$

So,  $w^T X\hat{v} \leq \|X^T w\|_\infty \|\hat{v}\|_1$

Hence,  $\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} \leq \frac{\|X^T w\|_\infty}{N} \|\hat{v}\|_1 + \lambda_N (\|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1)$

**e) Derive equation 11.23**

We'll take  $\frac{1}{N} \|X^T w\|_\infty \leq \frac{\lambda_N}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} &\leq \frac{\lambda_N}{2} \|\hat{v}\|_1 + \lambda_N (\|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1) \\
&\leq \frac{\lambda_N}{2} (\|\hat{v}_s\|_1 + \|\hat{v}_{s^*}\|_1) + \lambda_N (\|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \|v_{s^*}\|_1) \\
&\leq \frac{3\lambda_N}{2} \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 - \frac{\lambda_N \|v_{s^*}\|_1}{2} \\
&\leq \frac{3\lambda_N}{2} \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 \quad (\text{as the second term with negative sign is positive})
\end{aligned}$$

*Cauchy Schwartz Inequality*:  $\|v \cdot w\|_1 \leq \|v\|_2 \|w\|_2$

$$v = v \cdot I$$

$$\|vI\|_1 \leq \|v\|_2 \|I\|_2 = \sqrt{n} \|v\|_2$$

If  $v$  is  $k$ -sparse then  $v = v \cdot S$  where  $S$  is  $I$  with  $I_{i,i} = 0$  if  $v_i = 0$

$$\|S\|_2 = \sqrt{k}$$

So,  $\|v\|_1 \leq \sqrt{k} \|v\|_2$  if  $v$  is  $k$ -sparse

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} &\leq \frac{3\lambda_N}{2} \|\hat{v}_s\|_1 \leq \frac{3\lambda_N \sqrt{k}}{2} \|\hat{v}_s\|_2 \leq \frac{3\lambda_N \sqrt{k}}{2} \|\hat{v}\|_2 \quad \text{as } \|v\|_2 \geq \|\hat{v}_s\|_2 \\
\frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2N} &\leq \frac{3\lambda_N \sqrt{k}}{2} \|\hat{v}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

### f) Complete the proof assuming Lemma 11.1 to be true

Assuming lemma 1 to be true, we can apply restricted eigenvalue condition

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{N} \frac{\|X\hat{v}\|_2^2}{\|\hat{v}\|_2^2} &\geq \gamma, \text{ where } \gamma \text{ is a positive constant, (as } v^T X^T X v = \|Xv\|_2^2) \\
\frac{1}{N} \|X\hat{v}\|_2^2 &\geq \gamma \|\hat{v}\|_2^2 \\
\frac{\gamma \|\hat{v}\|_2^2}{2} &\leq \frac{3}{2} \lambda_N \sqrt{k} \|\hat{v}\|_2, \text{ by 11.23} \\
\|\hat{v}\|_2 &\leq \frac{3}{\gamma} \lambda_N \sqrt{k} \\
\|\hat{\beta} - \beta^*\|_2 &\leq \frac{3}{\gamma} \lambda_N \sqrt{k}, \text{ equation 11.14b}
\end{aligned}$$

### g) Where does bound on $\lambda_N$ show up

While deriving 11.23 we took  $\lambda_N \geq \frac{2}{N} \|X^T w\|_\infty$ , we assumed it to introduce conic constraint in  $\hat{v}$ , so as to apply  $\gamma$ -RE condition .

### h) Why is cone constraint required

Cone constraint gives the  $\gamma$ -RE condition, using which we bounded the LASSO L2-error. Without  $\gamma$ -RE error couldn't be bound so no guarantees of the estimator. We need the  $\gamma$ -RE condition so we require the cone constraint.

### i) This Theorem v/s Theorem 3

- Theorem 3 uses Restricted Isometry Property, whereas this theorem uses Restricted Eigenvalue Condition.
- In both the theorems sensing matrix doesn't need to be orthonormal.
- Both theorems handle noisy measurements.
- Theorem 3 gives bounds for compressible signals (signals in which some values are very-very smaller than others), while this theorem only considers sparse signals.
- Restricted Eigenvalue Condition is less restrictive than the Restricted Isometry Property, so this theorem requires weaker assumptions than Theorem 3.
- This theorem has  $\frac{k}{N}$  term in its bound which gives it an intuitive edge (also it uses strong convexity which is more intuitive in comparison to RIP), while Theorem 3 doesn't have any say about it in its bound.

### j) What is the common thread between the bounds on the 'Dantzig selector' and the LASSO?

- Both set lower bound of parameters in terms of  $\|X^T w\|_\infty$ ;  
Dantzig:  $\lambda \geq \|X^T w\|_\infty$ , Lasso:  $\lambda_N \geq \frac{2}{N} \|X^T w\|_\infty$ .
- In the case when  $\hat{\beta} \in \sum_k$ , so that  $\sigma_k(\hat{\beta})_1 = 0$ ;  
Dantzig:  $\|\hat{v}\|_2 \leq C_1 \sqrt{k} \lambda$ , Lasso:  $\|\hat{v}\|_2 \leq \frac{C_2}{\gamma} \sqrt{k} \lambda_N$ , Both of them has the parameter and  $\sqrt{k}$  in their bounds.
- When adapting both the theorems to Gaussian noise model, the bounds on  $\|\hat{v}\|_2$  have  $\sqrt{k \log(p)}$  term.

### k) What is the advantage of the square-root LASSO over the LASSO?

- The lasso construction relies on knowing the standard deviation  $\sigma$  of the noise.
- The square-root lasso eliminates the need to know or pre-estimate  $\sigma$ .
- Despite taking the square-root of the least squares criterion function, the problem retains global convexity making the estimator computationally feasible.
- This method also doesn't rely on normality or sub-Gaussianity of noise.
- It matches the performance of lasso with known  $\sigma$ , i.e., achieving near-oracle performance.

## Q2

For this, we took  $k=18$  random samples for each image using the function `randsample`. For the first part, we used `radon` and `iradon` functions. And for the later subparts, implemented function handles to get  $A, A^T$  to pass in the `11_1s` function provided in the hw folder. The reconstructions for ( $k=18$ ) are provided here and for ( $k=60$ ) are added in the images folder (`/images/k60`).

### Filtered Back Projection using the Ram-Lak filter

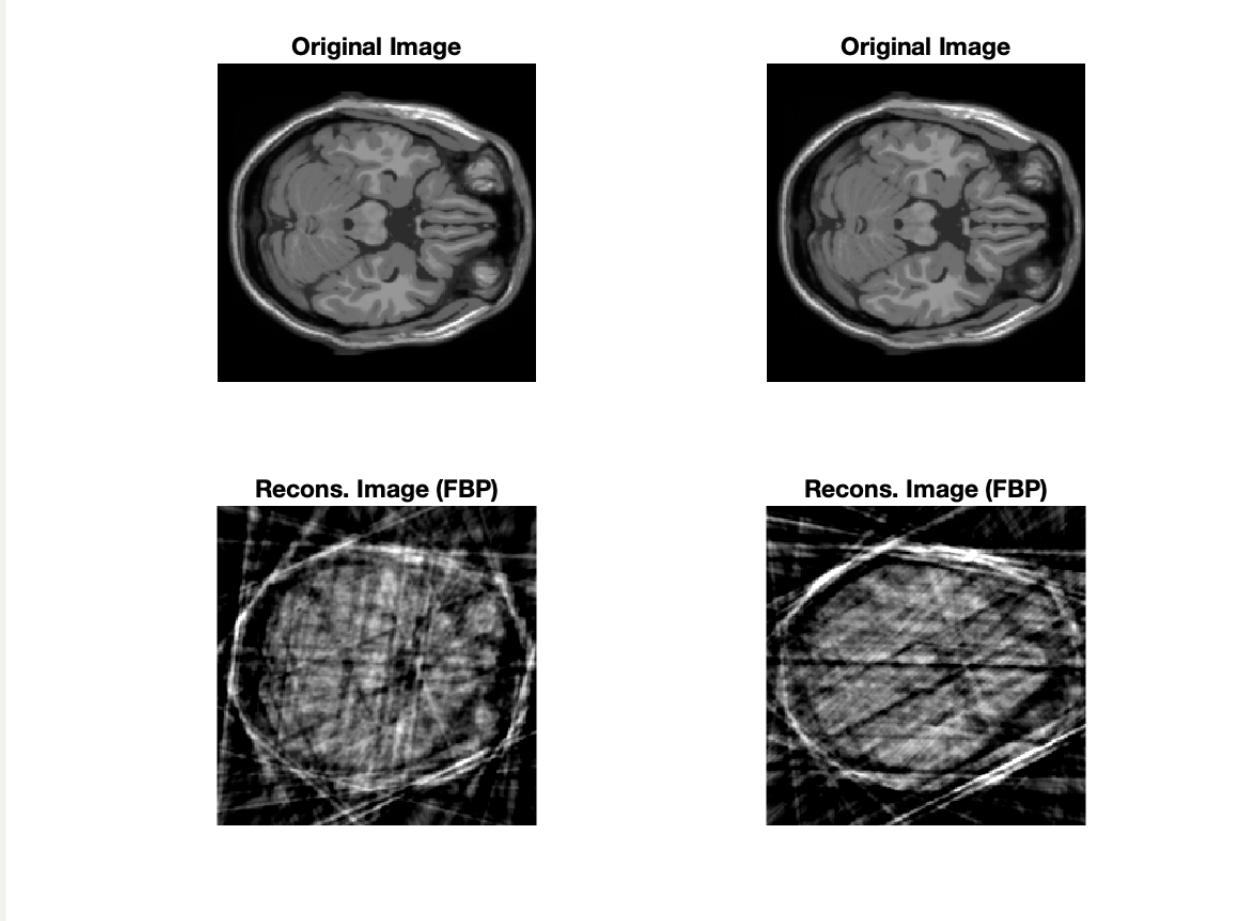


Fig 1. Reconstruction using filtered back projection using the Ram-Lak filter

### Compression Sensing reconstruction (single slice)

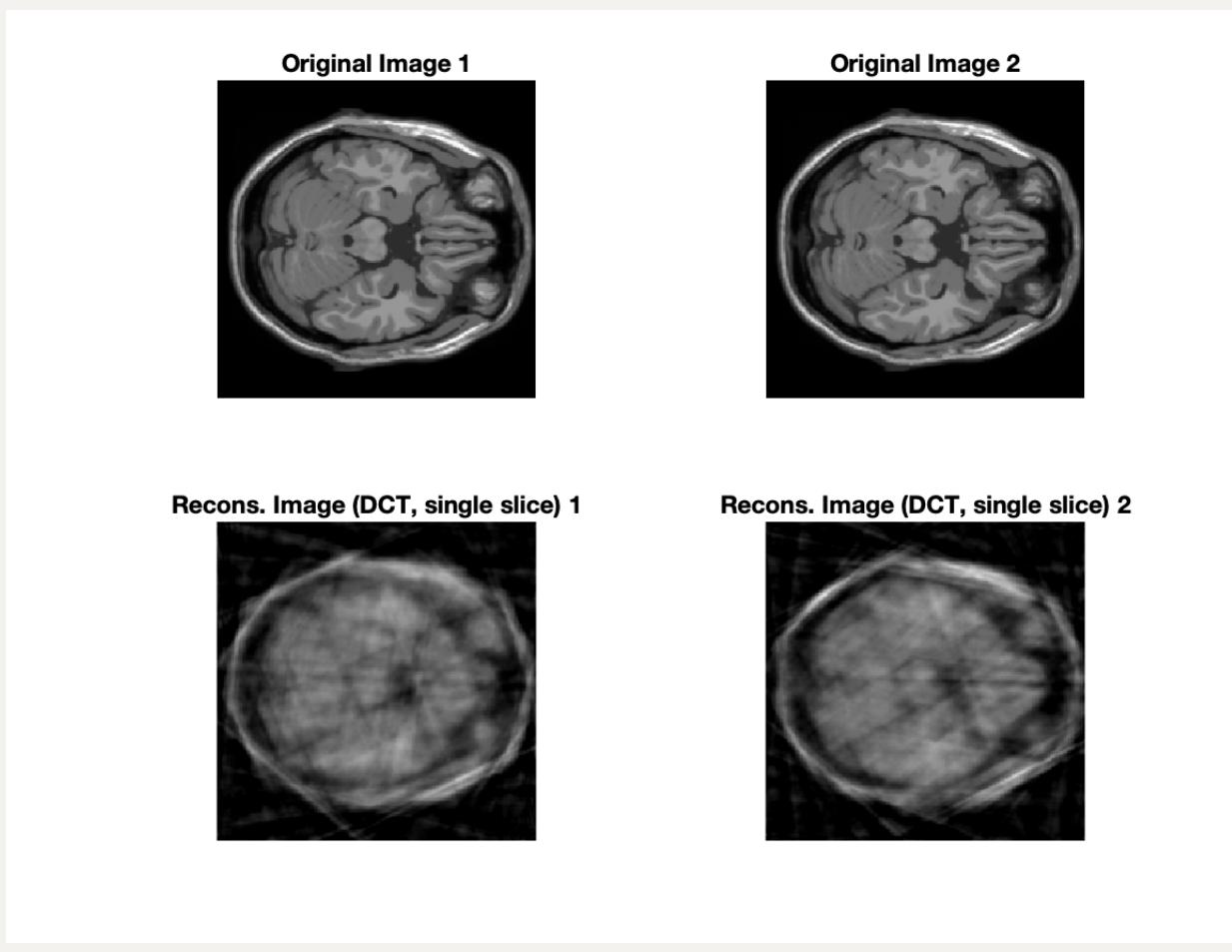


Fig 2. Reconstruction using Compressed Sensing on a single slice (2D-DCT basis).

### Reconstruction using tow consecutive slices

$$E(\beta_1, \beta_2) = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} R_1 U & 0 \\ R_2 U & R_2 U \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \Delta\beta_{21} \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 + \lambda \left\| \frac{\beta_1}{\Delta\beta_{21}} \right\|_1$$

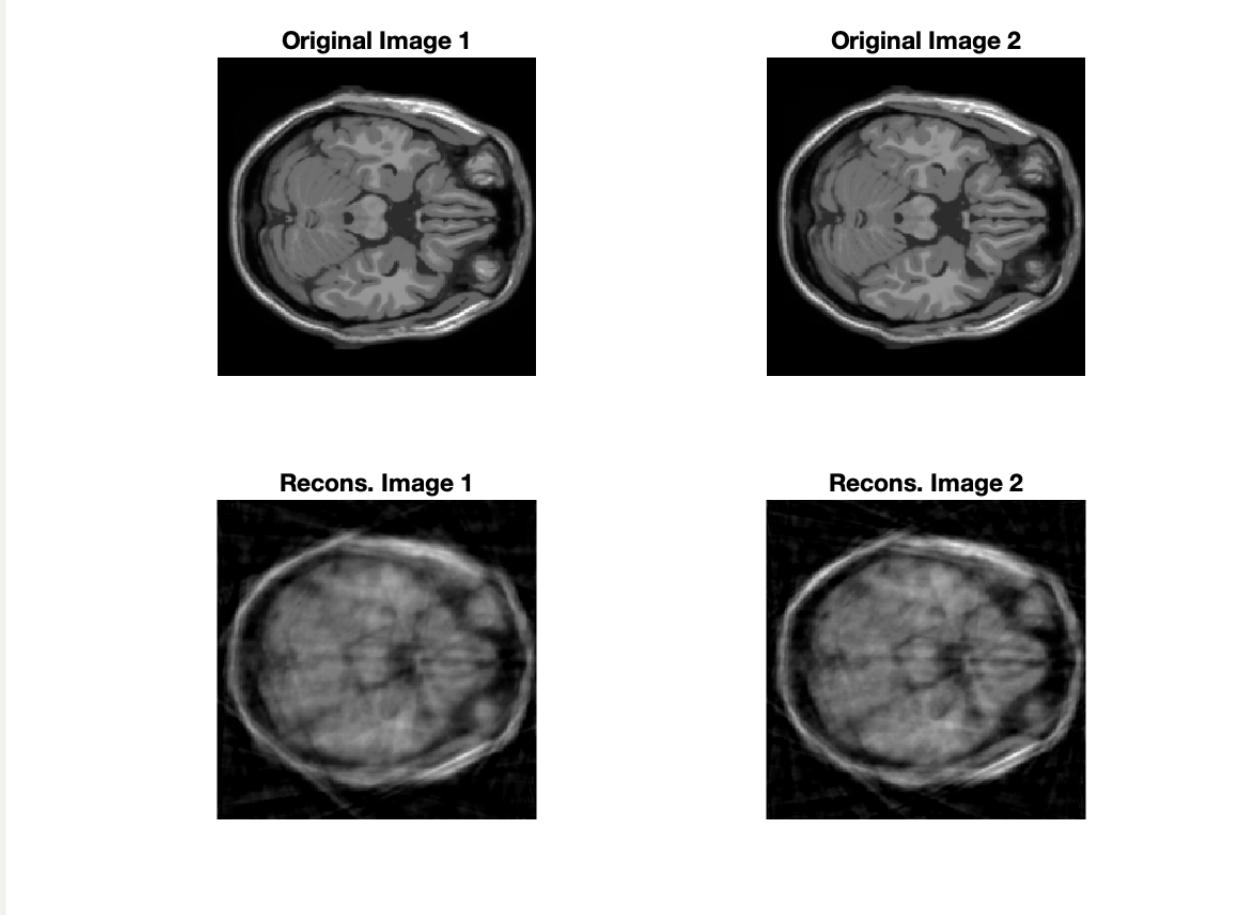


Fig 3. Reconstruction using CS on two consecutive slices (2D-DCT basis).

### Reconstruction using three consecutive slices

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3) &= \|y_1 - R_1 U \beta_1\|^2 + \|y_2 - R_2 U \beta_2\|^2 + \|y_3 - R_3 U \beta_3\|^2 \\
 &\quad + \lambda(\|\beta_1\|_1 + \|\beta_2 - \beta_1\|_1 + \|\beta_3 - \beta_2\|_1) \\
 &= \|y_1 - R_1 U \beta_1\|^2 + \|y_2 - R_2 U(\beta_1 + \Delta\beta_{21})\|^2 + \|y_3 - R_3 U(\beta_1 + \Delta\beta_{21} + \Delta\beta_{32})\|^2 \\
 &\quad + \lambda(\|\beta_1\|_1 + \|\Delta\beta_{21}\|_1 + \|\Delta\beta_{32}\|_1)
 \end{aligned}$$

Final expression for reconstruction using 3 consecutive slices:

$$E(\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3) = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} R_1 U & 0 & 0 \\ R_2 U & R_2 U & 0 \\ R_3 U & R_3 U & R_3 U \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \Delta\beta_{21} \\ \Delta\beta_{32} \end{pmatrix} \right\|^2 + \lambda \left\| \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \Delta\beta_{21} \\ \Delta\beta_{32} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_1$$

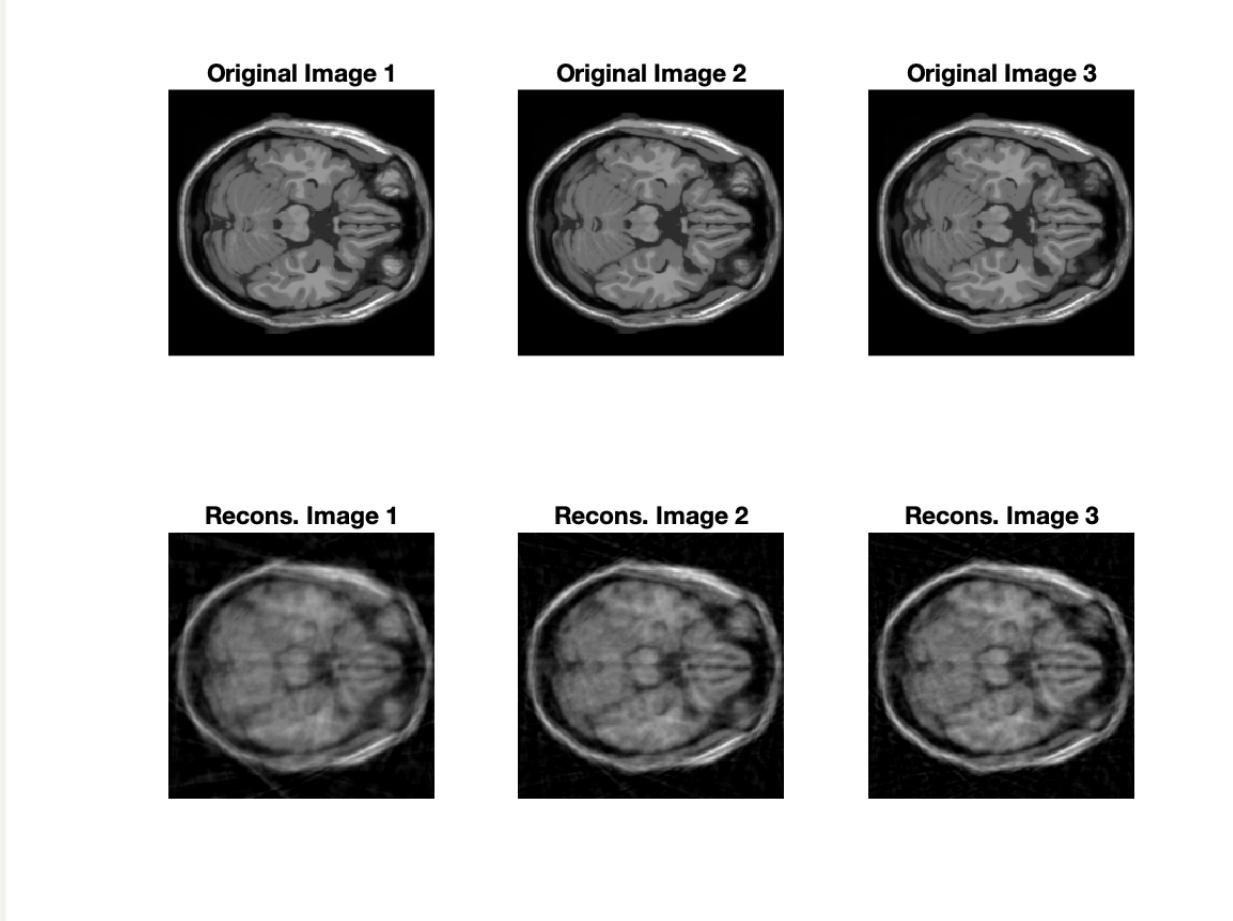


Fig 4. Reconstruction using CS on three consecutive slices (2D-DCT basis).

Q3

**(a) Shifting :**

$$R(g(x, y))(\rho, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) \delta(x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta - \rho) dx dy$$

$$R(g(x - x_0, y - y_0))(\rho, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x - x_0, y - y_0) \delta(x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta - \rho) dx dy$$

With change of variable ( $p = x - x_0, q = y - y_0$ ):

$$R(g(x', y'))(\rho, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x', y') \delta((x' + x_0) \cos \theta + (y' + y_0) \sin \theta - \rho) dx' dy'$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x', y') \delta(x' \cos \theta + y' \cos \theta - (\rho - x_0 \cos \theta - y_0 \sin \theta)) dx' dy'$$

$$= R(g(x, y))(\rho - x_0 \cos \theta - y_0 \sin \theta, \theta)$$

**(b) Rotation :**

$$g'(r, \psi) = g(r, \psi - \psi_0)$$

The graph represented by  $g$  is rotated by an angle  $\psi_0$ .

Polar equation of line  $x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta = \rho$  will be  $r \cos \theta \cos \psi + r \sin \theta \sin \psi - \rho$ .

$$r \cos \theta \cos \psi + r \sin \theta \sin \psi - \rho$$

$$= r \cos(\theta - \psi) - \rho$$

Using these in the Radon transform, we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
R(g')(\rho, \theta) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} g'(r, \psi) \delta(r \cos(\theta - \psi) - \rho) d\psi dr \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} g(r, \psi - \psi_0) \delta(r \cos(\theta - \psi) - \rho) d\psi dr
\end{aligned}$$

With change of variable ( $\psi' = \psi - \psi_0$ ), we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
R(g')(\rho, \theta) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} g(r, \psi') \delta(r \cos(\theta - (\psi' + \psi_0)) - \rho) d\psi' dr \\
&= R(g)(\rho, \theta - \psi_0)
\end{aligned}$$

**(c) Convolution :**

$$\begin{aligned}
(f * k)(x, y) &:= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - \tau, y - \varphi) k(\tau, \varphi) d\tau d\varphi \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x - \tau, y - \varphi) k(\tau, \varphi) \delta(x \cos \theta + y \sin \theta - \rho) d\tau d\varphi d\rho \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k(\tau, \varphi) R_\theta(f(\rho - \rho'))(\rho' - \tau \cos \theta - \varphi \sin \theta, \theta) d\tau d\varphi d\rho' \\
&= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_\theta(k(\rho', \theta)) R_\theta(f(\rho - \rho', \theta)) \\
&= R_\theta(f) * R_\theta(g) \\
&= R_\theta(f * g)
\end{aligned}$$

## Q4

$x$  is an  $s$ -sparse vector, and  $A$  is a unit normalised matrix.

$$\|Ax\|_2^2 = \|x^T A^T Ax\|_2 = \|x_s^T A_s^T A_s x\|_2$$

where  $A_s$  is obtained by stripping off the columns of  $A$  corresponding to zero-valued elements of  $x$ , like if  $x_i = 0$  then  $A_s$  doesn't have  $A_i$

Because  $Ax = \sum A_i x_i$ , so removing these doesn't alter our formula

$$\|AB\|_2 \leq \|A\|_2 \|B\|_2$$

$$\text{So, } \|Ax\|_2^2 \leq \|x_s^T\|_2 \|A_s^T A_s\|_2 \|x_s\|_2 = \|x\|_2^2 \|A_s^T A_s\|_2$$

The diagonal entries of  $A_s^T A_s$  would be of the type  $A_i^T A_i$ , where  $A_i$  is the  $i^{th}$  column of  $A$ .

Since it is unit normalized,  $A_i^T A_i = 1$

$$\mu = \max_{i,j, i \neq j} A_i^T A_j$$

By Gershgorin's theorem on a matrix  $B$ , for all eigenvalues of  $B$ ,  $\lambda$ ,  
 $B_{ii} - R_i \leq \lambda \leq B_{ii} + R_i$ , where  $R_i$  is the absolute sum of offdiagonal values of row  $i$ , for all  $i$

$$B = A_s^T A_s, \text{ so } B_{ii} = 1, \max_{i \neq j} B_{ij} \leq \mu$$

$R_i \leq (S-1)\mu$ , as there are  $S-1$  offdiagonal elements

$$\|A_s^T A_s\|_2 = \lambda_{\max} \text{ of } A_s^T A_s$$

So by Gershgorin,  $\lambda_{\max} \leq B_{ii} + R_i \leq 1 + (S-1)\mu$

$$\|A_s^T A_s\|_2 \|x\|_2^2 \leq (1 + (S-1)\mu) \|x\|_2^2$$

$$\|Ax\|_2^2 \leq (1 + (S-1)\mu) \|x\|_2^2$$

But by RIP,  $\delta_s$  is the smallest constant such that  $\|Ax\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_s) \|x\|_2^2$

Therefore,  $\delta_s \leq (S-1)\mu$

## Q5

- **Radio Frequency Tomography for Tunnel Detection**
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The ground is modelled as a homogeneous medium with relative dielectric permittivity  $\epsilon_D$ , conductivity  $\sigma_D$ , and permeability  $\mu_0$ . The tunnels or voids are assumed to reside in the investigation domain  $D$ . We assume the relative dielectric permittivity profile  $\epsilon_r(\mathbf{r}')$  and the conductivity profile  $\sigma(\mathbf{r}')$  inside the investigation domain  $D$  as unknowns of the problem.

The sources are  $N$  electrically small dipoles (of length  $\Delta l^t$ ) or loops (of area  $A^t$ ) def with current  $I^t$  and located at position  $\mathbf{r}_n^t$  and with dipole moment directed along the unit vector  $\mathbf{a}_n^t$ . For each transmitting antenna, the scattered field  $\mathbf{E}^S$  is collected by  $M$  receivers, located at  $\mathbf{r}_m^r$  points n space.

The inverse problem is recast in terms of the unknown dielectric permittivity constraint:

$$\epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}') = \epsilon_r(\mathbf{r}') - \epsilon_D + j\frac{\sigma(\mathbf{r}') - \sigma_D}{2\pi f \epsilon_0}$$

The wavenumber inside D can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} k^2(\mathbf{r}') &= \omega^2 \mu_0 \epsilon_r(\mathbf{r}') + j\omega \mu_0 \sigma(\mathbf{r}') \\ &= k_D^2 + k_0^2 \epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}') \\ k_D &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0 \epsilon_D + j\mu_0 \sigma_D / \omega} \\ k_0 &= \omega \sqrt{\mu_0 \epsilon_0} \end{aligned}$$

For each point in  $\mathbf{r}'$  in region  $D$ , the vector wave equation holds:

$$\nabla \times \nabla \times \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}') = [k_D^2 + k_0^2 \epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}')] \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}')$$

Using Dyadic Green's function and Born approximation:

$$\mathbf{E}^S(\mathbf{r}) \approx k_0^2 \int \int_D \int \underline{\underline{\mathbf{G}}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}') \cdot \mathbf{E}^I(\mathbf{r}') \epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r}'$$

$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}')$  is the total field in the investigation domain  $D$ , given as superposition of the incident field  $\mathbf{E}^I(\mathbf{r}')$  and the field  $\mathbf{E}^S(\mathbf{r})$  scattered by the targets.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}^S(\mathbf{r}_n^t, \mathbf{r}_m^r) &= \mathbf{L}(\epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}')) \\ &= Q k_0^2 \int \int_D \int [\mathbf{a}_m^r \cdot \underline{\underline{\mathbf{G}}}(\mathbf{r}_m^r, \mathbf{r}') \\ &\quad \cdot [\underline{\underline{\mathbf{G}}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{r}_n^t) \cdot \mathbf{a}_n^t] \epsilon_\delta(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r}' \end{aligned}$$

where  $Q = j\omega \mu_0 \Delta l^t I^t$  for electrically small dipole or  $Q = -j\omega \mu_0 A^t I^t$  for an electrically small loop. The equation gives the field received by a dipole or loop with moment direction  $\mathbf{a}_m^r$  positioned at  $\mathbf{r}_m^r$  due to an equivalent current distribution defined inside the investigation domain  $D$ .

The problem of finding the dielectric profile is to compute the inverse of linear operator  $\mathbf{L}$ , connecting the unknown dielectric profile and the scattered field data.

The problem after discretization is:

$$\underline{\underline{\mathbf{E}}}^S = \underline{\underline{\mathbf{L}}} \underline{\epsilon}_\delta$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  is now a matrix with dimensions  $N M \times K$  and  $\underline{\underline{\mathbf{E}}}^S$ ,  $\underline{\epsilon}_\delta$  are column vectors.

The paper present four inversion strategies :-

1. *Levenberg-Marquardt* (LM) regularization procedure
2. *Truncated singular-value decomposition* (TSVD)
3. *Back-propagation* approach
4. *Fourier-Bojarski* approach

LM Regularization procedure :

$$\hat{\underline{\epsilon}}_{\delta}(\beta) = (\underline{\underline{\mathbf{L}}}^H \underline{\underline{\mathbf{L}}} + \beta \mathbf{I})^{-1} \underline{\underline{\mathbf{L}}}^H \underline{\underline{\mathbf{E}}}^S$$

where  $\mathbf{L}^H$  denotes the adjoint of  $\mathbf{L}$  and  $\beta$  is the regularisation parameter in the Tikhonov sense.