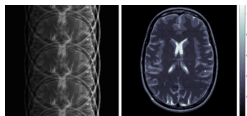


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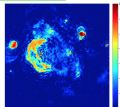
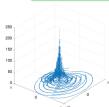
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Inverse problems

OBJECTIVE: Find an estimate  $x^\dagger$  of  $\bar{x}$  from  $y$



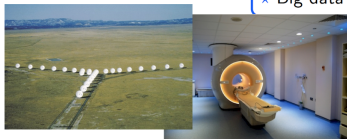
Methodologies

Bayesian inference

- ★ Maximum *a posteriori* estimate
- ★ Uncertainty quantification

Optimisation methods

- ★ Scalable and flexible
- ★ Big data context



Applications

★ FORWARD MODEL:  $y = \mathcal{D}(\Phi \bar{x})$ ★  $y$  and  $x$  are related by a generative statistical model  $p(y|x)$ 

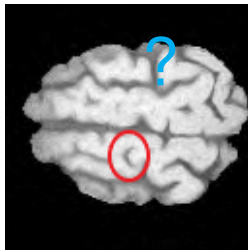
## ★ BAYESIAN FRAMEWORK

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^\dagger \in \operatorname{Argmax}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} p(x|y) &= \operatorname{Argmin}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \left\{ f_y(x) = -\log p(x|y) \right\} \\
 &= \operatorname{Argmin}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} -\log p(y|x) - \log p(x) \quad (\text{Bayes' formula}) \\
 &= \operatorname{Argmin}_{x \in \mathbb{R}^N} \underbrace{-\log p(y - \Phi(x))}_{=h_y(x)} \quad \underbrace{-\log p(x)}_{=g(x)} \\
 &\quad \text{Data fidelity term} \quad \text{Regularisation term}
 \end{aligned}$$

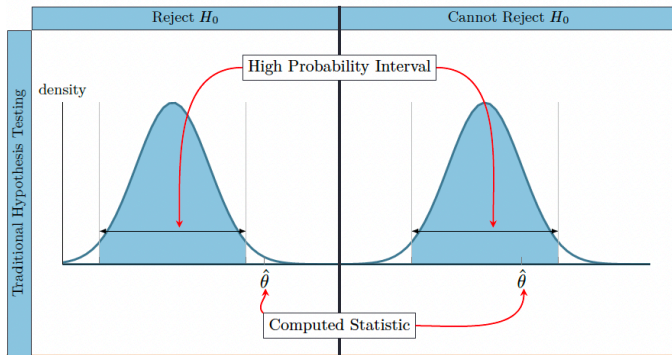
$$\text{E.g., } h_y(x) = \iota_{\mathcal{B}_2(y, \varepsilon)}(\Phi x), \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|\Phi x - y\|^2$$

$$\text{E.g., } g(x) = \iota_{[0, +\infty[^N}(x), \lambda \|\Psi^\dagger x\|_1$$

In general the inverse problem is ill-posed or ill-conditioned.



MAPs are point estimates: No measure of uncertainty.



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I.e., REJECT  $H_0$  with confidence  $\alpha$ .



In [Repetti, Pereyra, Wiaux, 2019]  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_1 \cap \mathcal{S}_2 \cap \mathcal{S}_3$   
where

$$\begin{cases} \mathcal{S}_1 = [0, +\infty)^N & \text{positivity} \\ \mathcal{S}_2 = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{M}^c\mathbf{x} + \boldsymbol{\tau}\} & \text{smooth} \\ \mathcal{S}_3 = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N \mid \mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{B}_2(\mu, \theta)\} & \text{bdd energy} \end{cases}$$

### Comments

- Gaussian operator
- $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{M})$
- Tune  $\boldsymbol{\tau}, \mu, \theta$

### Uncertainty quantification

$$\text{Find } (\mathbf{x}_S^\dagger, \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}^\dagger) \in \underset{(\mathbf{x}_S, \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}) \in \mathcal{S} \times \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}{\text{Argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{x}_S - \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}\|^2 \quad (1)$$

### Theorem (Variational Hyp. Test)

Suppose that  $\alpha \in ]4 \exp(-N/3), 1[$  and let  $(\mathbf{x}_S^\dagger, \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}^\dagger) \in \mathcal{S} \times \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha$  be a solution to (1). If  $\|\mathbf{x}_S^\dagger - \mathbf{x}_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}^\dagger\| > 0$ , then  $\mathbf{P}(H_0 \mid \mathbf{y}) \leq \alpha$ , and hence  $H_0$  is rejected.

## Structure-free

Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be an inpainting operator,

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\text{valid } x \mid x \approx \mathcal{G}(M, x)\}$$

## Data-driven

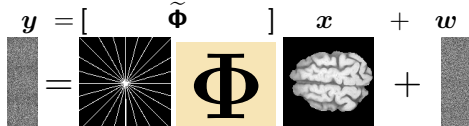
- parameter-free

$$\text{Find } x \in \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^N}{\text{Argmin}} \quad \frac{\zeta}{2} \|x - \mathcal{G}(x)\|_2^2 + \iota_{\tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha}(x) \quad (2)$$

## Corollary (Data-Driven Hyp. Test)

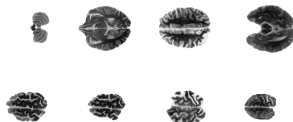
Suppose that  $\alpha \in ]4 \exp(-N/3), 1[$  and let  $x^\dagger \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}_\alpha$  be a solution to (2). If  $\|x^\dagger - \mathcal{G}(x^\dagger)\| > 0$ , then  $\mathbf{P}(H_0 \mid y) \leq \alpha$ , and hence  $H_0$  is rejected.

## INVERSE PROBLEM

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\Phi} \\ \Phi \end{bmatrix} x + w$$


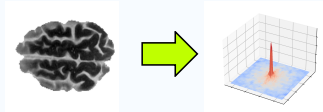
Solve for  $x$ 

## BRATS21 MRI dataset



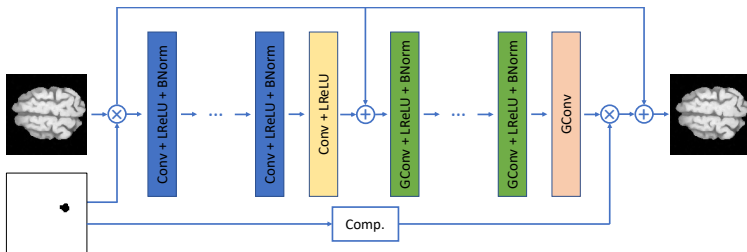
## MAP ESTIMATION

- FIDELITY: Bounded energy
- REGULARIZE: db8 wavelet sparsity

MEASUREMENT OPERATOR:  
(Discrete) Fourier (torch.fft.fft2)Find  $x^\dagger$  in

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^N}{\text{Argmin}} \quad \iota_{[0, +\infty[^N}(x) + \iota_{\mathcal{B}_2(y, \varepsilon)}(\Phi x) + \|\Psi x\|_1$$

# Inpainting CNN: DnCNN-like Architecture with Gated Convolutions



**DATASET:** 90885 images and masks processed from the BRATS21 dataset.

- optimiser = Adam
- epochs = 32
- learning rate = 0.001
- drop frequency = 16
- drop ratio = 0.2

## LOSS FUNCTION

$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \alpha \text{MSE}(\theta) + \beta \|\mathcal{M}\theta\|_1 + \gamma \partial \text{TV}(\theta) + \delta \mathcal{L}_{\text{percep.}}(\theta) + \epsilon \mathcal{L}_{\text{style}}(\theta)$$

- $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, \epsilon) = (2, 6, 3, 0.05, 240)$

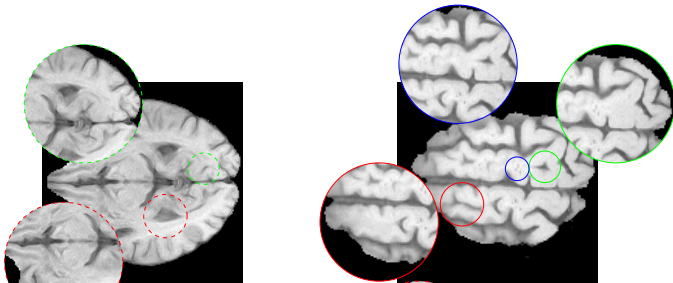
## Inpainting: Train/Test Examples

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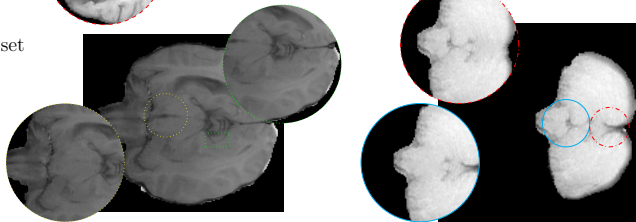
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Test set



Train set

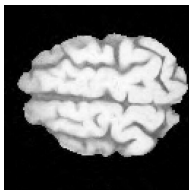
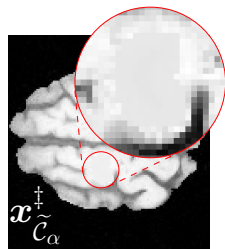
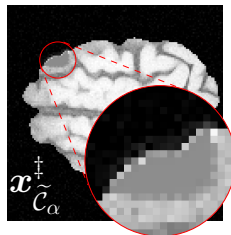
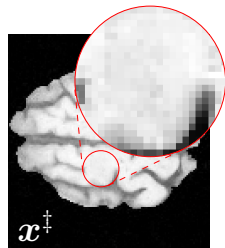
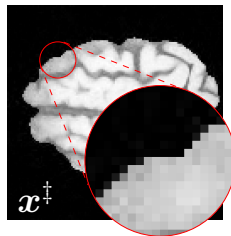


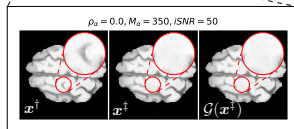
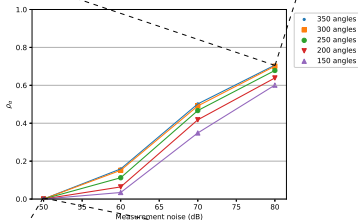
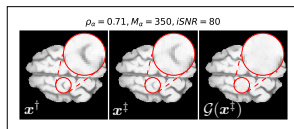
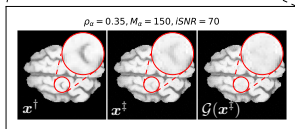
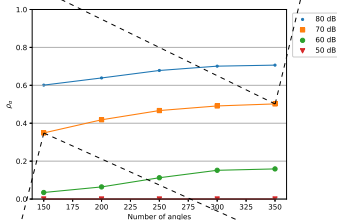
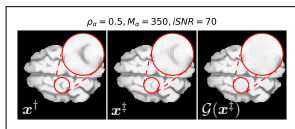
# BUQO: Comparison with original method

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 $x^\dagger$ 



- Consider other formulations/algos.
- Scale up!
- Improve network architecture/loss/training to improve performance.
  - Training for bespoke artefact definitions/adaptive noise.

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**Iterations:****for**  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  **do**

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**Initialization:** Let  $h(x) = r\|x - \mathcal{G}(x)\|^2$ ,  $L = \text{Lip}(\nabla h)$  and  $\tau^{-1} - \sigma_1\|\Psi\|^2 - \sigma_2\|\Phi\|^2 > L/2$ .

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$$\tilde{x}^{(k)} = \Pi_{[0, \infty[^N} \left( x^{(k)} - \tau \left( \nabla h(x) + \Psi^\dagger v_1^{(k+1)} + \Phi^\dagger v_2^{(k+1)} \right) \right)$$

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