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Orthogonal greedy algorithms for sparse reconstruction

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ANR Project BECOSE (2016-2020)

- Propose and analyze algorithms based on **sparsity** to solve ill-posed **inverse problems**
- **Application fields** :
 - Fluid mechanics
 - Nondestructive evaluation, optical spectroscopy, *etc.*
- **GPI** : Inverse Problems / sparsity, tomographic reconstruction

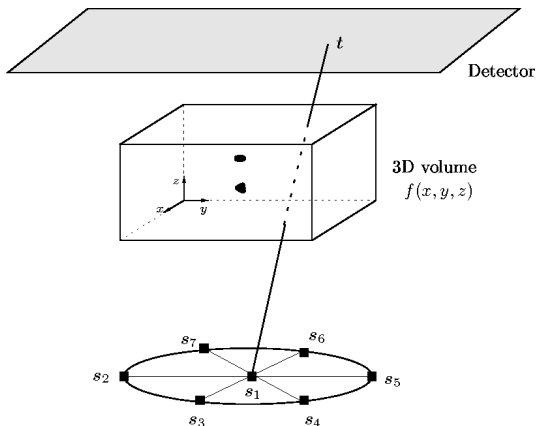
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Tomographic PIV

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Example 1 : Computed Tomography

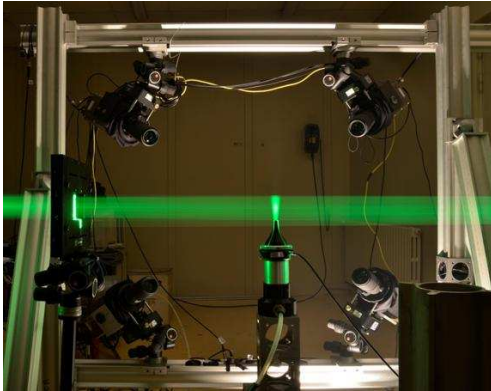


Tomographic reconstruction from limited projections

[S. & Idier, *J. Electr. Imag.*, 2008]

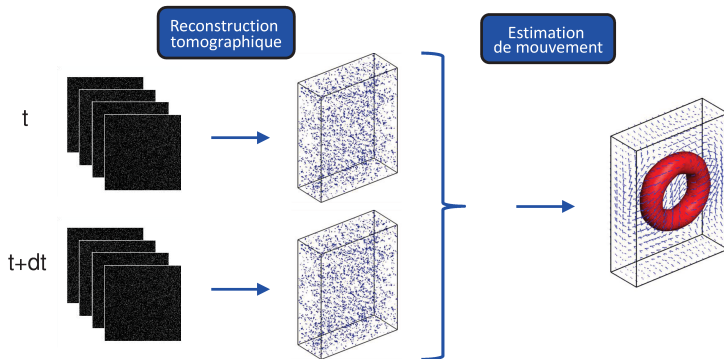
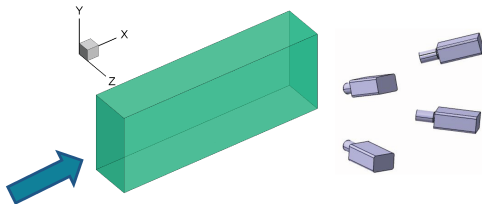
Tomographic PIV

- Measure of moving fluids
- Multi-view stereo system

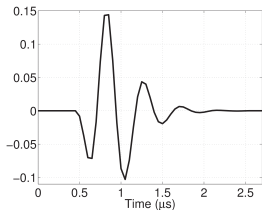
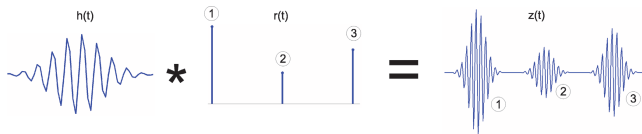
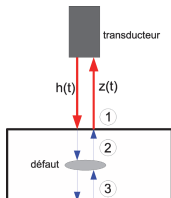


Credit : [ONERA DAAA]

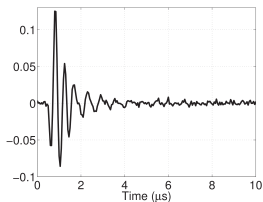
TomoPIV : principe global



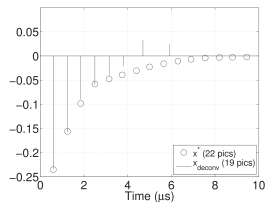
Example 2 : NDE using ultrasounds



Acoustic wave
 h

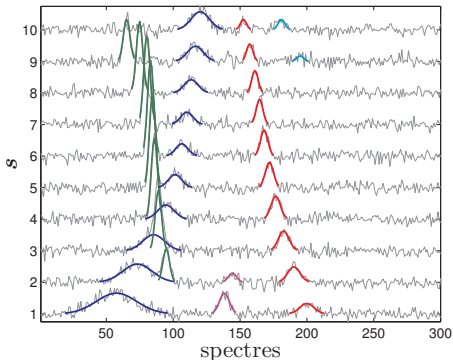


Data
 $z \approx h * x^* = Ax^*$



Detected pulses
 x

Example 3 : Signal decomposition

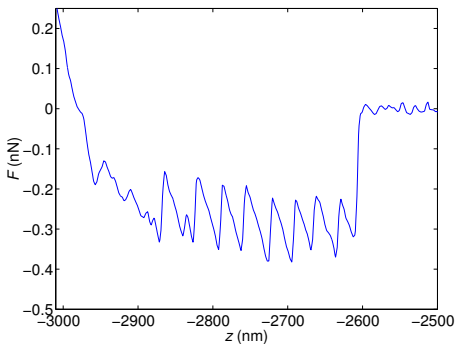


Optical spectroscopy

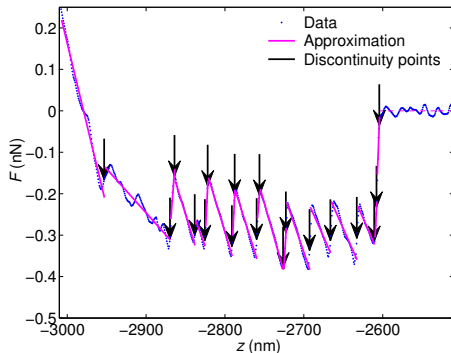
$y_s = Ax_s$ where A : 2D dictionary (locations + wavelengths)

[Mordata *et al.*, *Sig. Process.*, 2019]

Example 4 : Signal segmentation



Raw data



Piecewise affine approximation

- Adaptive splines [Friedman, 1991]

Piecewise polynomial approximation

$$y \approx Ax = \sum_{p=0}^P A^p x^p$$

- Overcomplete dictionary A , deterministic, structured
- **Correlated** atoms

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ℓ_0 minimization

- Sparsity measure : $\|x\|_0 = \text{Card}\{i : x_i \neq 0\}$

- NP-hard problems [Natarajan, 1995] :

- $\min_x \|y - Ax\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|x\|_0 \leq k \quad [C]$

- $\min_x \left\{ \|y - Ax\|_2^2 + \lambda \|x\|_0 \right\} \quad [P]$

- Combinatorial problems

$$[C] \iff \min_{|S| \leq k} \|P_S^\perp y\|_2^2 \quad \text{with} \quad S = \text{supp}(x)$$

- Greedy algorithms : descent algorithms

ℓ_0 minimization

NP-hard problem :
$$\min_{\|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \leq k} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$$

Numerical approaches [Bruckstein *et al.*, 2009] :

1. Exact minimization
2. Convex (ℓ_1) relaxation
3. Non-convex continuous optimization
4. Heuristics for ℓ_0 minimization
 - Thresholding algorithms : CoSaMP, SP, *etc.*
 - Greedy algorithms : MP, OMP, OLS, *etc.*

Orthogonal greedy algorithms

Problem : $\min_{\|x\|_0 \leq k} \|y - Ax\|_2^2$

Descent algorithms : Orthogonal Matching Pursuit, Orthogonal Least Squares, *etc.*

$$S \leftarrow \emptyset$$

Repeat

- $S \leftarrow S \cup \{\ell\}$ [Selection]
- $x_S \leftarrow \arg \min_z \|y - A_S z\|_2^2$ [Orthogonal projection]

OMP vs OLS

Repeat

- $S \leftarrow S \cup \{l\}$
- $\mathbf{x}_S \leftarrow \arg \min_z \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}_S \mathbf{z}\|_2^2$

Selection rules

$$\text{OMP : } l \in \arg \max_{i \notin S} |\langle \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a}_i \rangle|$$

$$\text{OLS : } l \in \arg \min_{i \notin S} \left\{ \min_z \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}_{S \cup \{i\}} \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 \right\}$$

Bidirectional algorithms

- $\min_x \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \leq k \quad [C]$

Descent algorithms \implies **forward** schemes, $S \leftarrow S \cup \{\ell\}$

- $\min_x \left\{ \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \right\} \quad [P]$

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[S. et al., *IEEE TSP*, 2011]

Historic perspective

1) Restoration of Bernoulli-Gaussian signals

- $x_i = q_i t_i$
 - $q \sim \mathcal{B}(\rho)$: support
 - $t | q \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}; \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I})$: amplitudes

SMLR algorithm [Kormylo & Mendel, 1982] :

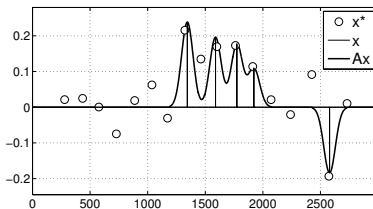
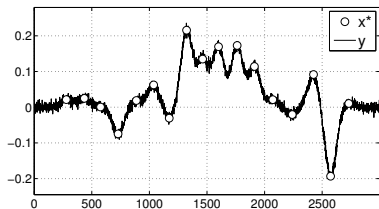
$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \lambda_{\rho, \sigma_b} \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 + \frac{\sigma_b^2}{\sigma_x^2} \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \right\}$$

2) *Stepwise regression* [Efroymson, 1960], [Miller, 2002]

- Statistical inference, undercomplete dictionaries
- bidirectional extensions of **forward selection** (OLS)

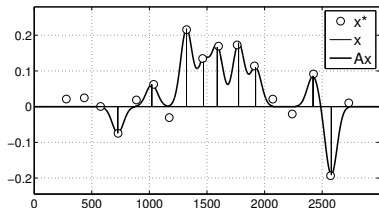
Sparse signal restoration

$$y = h * x^* + b$$

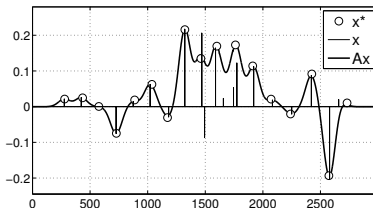


Data : $\|x^*\|_0 = 17$, RSB = 20 dB

$\lambda = 1$



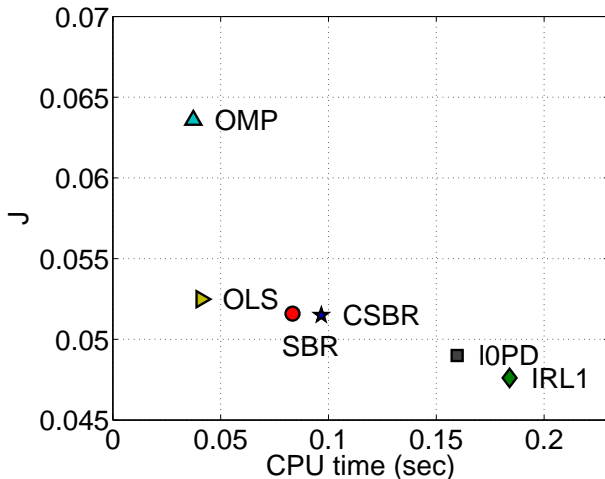
$\lambda = 0.15$



$\lambda = 0.01$

Tradeoff accuracy / CPU time

(noisy deconvolution, $SNR = 25$, $k = 10$, $m = 900$, $n = 756$, $\sigma = 24$)



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ℓ_0 continuation

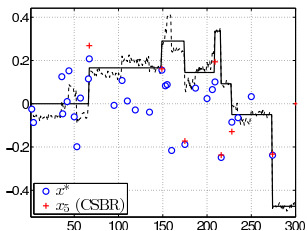
- **Regularisation path** : $\lambda \mapsto \arg \min_x \left\{ \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \right\}$
- Reconstruct sparse solutions for **a continuum of λ 's**
- Inspired from modified **LARS** for ℓ_1 problems :
 - $\forall \mu, \arg \min_x \left\{ \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \mu \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \right\}$
 - $\forall t, \arg \min_x \left\{ \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \right\}$ s.t. $\|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \leq t$

[Efron *et al.*, 2004; Donoho & Tsaig, 2008]

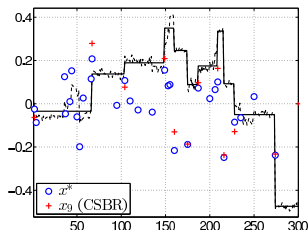
- **Model order selection** using *e.g.*, *Minimum Description Length*

[S. *et al.*, *IEEE TSP*, 2015]

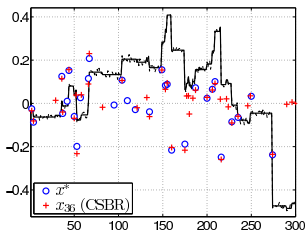
Example : CSBR, problem $k = 30$, SNR = 25 dB



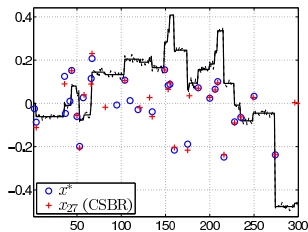
$$|S_5| = 7, \lambda_5 = 7.8e^{-2}$$



$$|S_9| = 11, \lambda_9 = 4.1e^{-2}$$



$$|S_{36}| = 41, \lambda_{36} = 3.4e^{-4}$$



$$\text{MDLc solution : } |S_{27}| = 29$$

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Reconstruction of non-negative sparse signals

- *Inverse problems* $y = Ax + n$
 x : **sparse** and **non-negative**
- *Goal* : reconstruct x with an **accurate** and **fast** algorithm
- *Applications* : Optical spectroscopy, hyperspectral unmixing, tomographic PIV

Orthogonal greedy algorithms

Problem $\min_{\|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \leq k} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$

Algorithm

$S \leftarrow \emptyset.$

Repeat

- $S \leftarrow S \cup \{\ell\}$ [Selection]
- $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$ s.t. $\text{supp}(\mathbf{x}) \subset S$ [Unconstrained LS]

OMP : $\ell \in \arg \max_{i \notin S} |\langle \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\hat{\mathbf{x}}, \mathbf{a}_i \rangle|$

Greedy algorithms under NN constraints

Repeat

- $S \leftarrow S \cup \{\ell\}$ [Selection]
- $\hat{x} \leftarrow \arg \min_{x \geq 0} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}x\|^2$ s.t. $\text{supp}(x) \subset S$ [Projection : [NNLS](#)]

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- $\hat{x} \leftarrow \arg \min_{x \geq 0} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}x\|^2$ s.t. $\text{supp}(x) \subset S$ [NNLS]
- $S \leftarrow \text{supp}(\hat{x})$ [Compression]

$$\text{NNOMP : } \ell \in \arg \max_{i \notin S} \langle \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\hat{x}, \mathbf{a}_i \rangle$$

Structural properties induced by support compression

- $S = \text{supp}(\hat{x})$
- The current iterate is an ULS solution :

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_x \|y - Ax\|_2^2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{supp}(x) \subset S$$

$$\implies \forall i \in S, (y - A\hat{x}) \perp a_i$$

Fast and **exact** implementation

1. **Active-set** algorithm (NNLS) [Lawson & Hanson, 74]
 - ⇒ 100 % greedy implementation
 - ⇒ **Recursive** scheme
2. **Active-set algorithm** with *warm start*
3. **Unified** fast implementation of several NN extensions :
NNOMP, NNOLS, SNNOLS

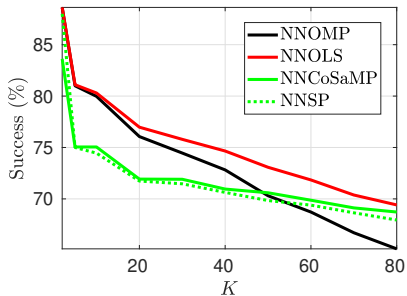
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Computational complexity

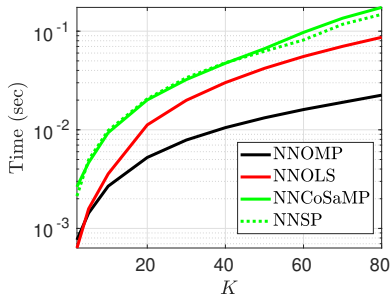
K	Overcost	
	NNOMP / OMP	NNOLS / OLS
60	1.1	2.1
80	1.1	4.1

(dictionary 1200×1140)

Numerical comparisons



True positives



CPU time

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Exact recovery analysis

- *Direct model* : $y = Ax$
- *Exact identification of the support of x*
 - **Worst case** analyses
 - **Probabilistic** analyses [Foucart & Rauhut, 2013] :
 - for well-conditioned **random** dictionaries
 - for convex minimisation
 - Continuous dictionaries (convex formulation) [Duval & Peyré, 2015]

k -step analysis of greedy algorithms

- $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ where \mathbf{x} is k -sparse
- Worst-case ($\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{x}$) necessary and sufficient condition of reconstruction of $S = \text{supp}(\mathbf{x})$:

$$\mu(\mathbf{A}) := \max_{i \neq j} |\langle \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{a}_j \rangle| < \frac{1}{2k-1} \quad [\text{Tropp, 2004}]$$

- Guaranteed reconstruction with OMP [Tropp, 2004] and OLS [S. *et al*, 2013]

k -step analysis of greedy algorithms for a given A

- Worst-case ($\forall x$) exact recovery of $S = \text{supp}(x)$ from $y = Ax$:

$$\max_{j \notin S} \|A_S^\dagger a_j\|_1 < 1 \quad (\text{ERC}) \text{ [Tropp, 2004]}$$

- Analysis of OMP [Tropp, 2004] and OLS [S. *et al*, IEEE-IT, 2013]

Analysis of non-negative greedy algorithms

- Sign preservation by OMP/OLS if $\mu < \frac{1}{2k-1}$

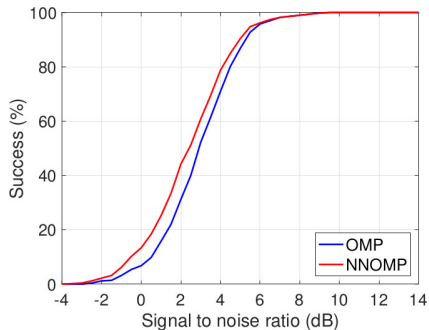
For $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$, at each iteration, $\text{sgn}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = \text{sgn}(\mathbf{x})$

- Case $\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}$

$$\mu < \frac{1}{2k-1} \implies k\text{-step exact recovery using } \begin{cases} \text{NNOMP} \\ \text{NNOLS} \end{cases}$$

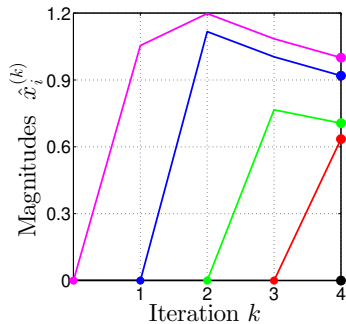
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Numerical evaluations



Exact reconstruction rate

$$\text{for } \mu(\mathbf{A}) = \frac{7}{k-1}$$



Non-monotony
of coefficients (OMP, OLS)

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Conclusions and perspectives

- Unified vision of greedy algorithms

- Fast implementations, Matlab codes :

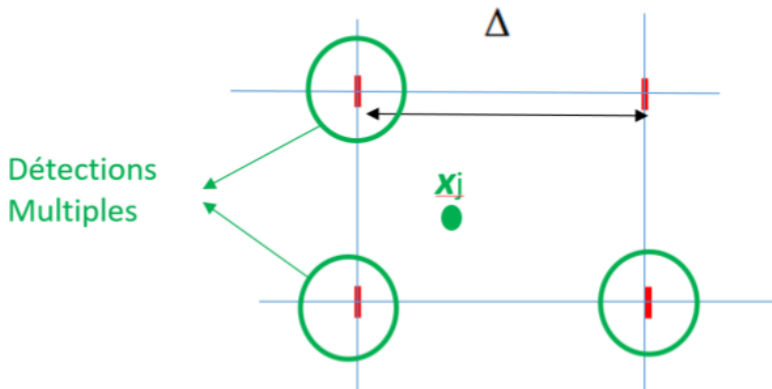
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- Exact recovery analyses

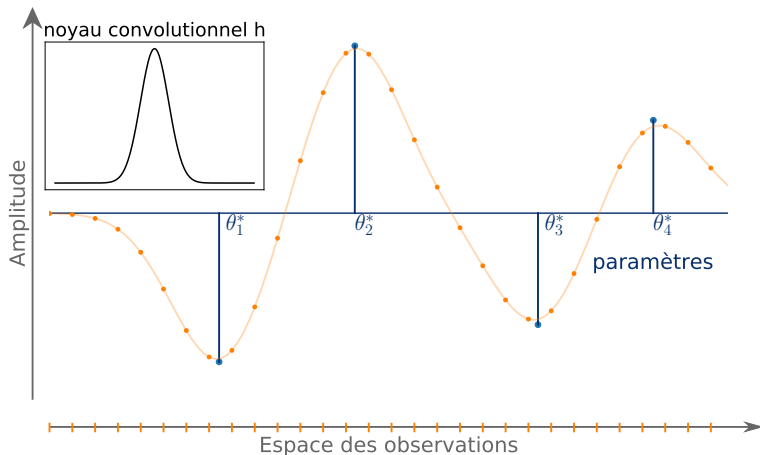
- High-resolution : fine grids vs off-the-grid approaches

- Convex relaxation (TV-norm minimization) and support identification [de Castro & Gamboa, 2012]
- Frank-Wolfe based algorithm [Denoyelles *et al.*, 2019]
- Continuous form of OMP [Elvira *et al.*, 2019]

Discrete vs continuous dictionaries



Off-the-grid sparse deconvolution



« Dictionary » composed of a continuum of atoms $\mathcal{A} = \{h(t - \theta), \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Ongoing work

Analysis of a continuous version of OMP

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\mathbf{a}(\theta), \theta \in \mathbb{R}\} \quad \text{tel que} \quad \langle \mathbf{a}(\theta_1), \mathbf{a}(\theta_2) \rangle = K(\|\theta_1 - \theta_2\|)$$

Mutual incoherence based analysis

- Inspired by [Tropp 2004]
- Redefine the concept of exact recovery

[Elvira *et al.*, 2019]

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