

Convergence analysis for nonlinear Tikhonov regularization in Hilbert scales with adaptive choice of the regularization parameter

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Abstract noise model

$$Y = u + \delta\xi + \sigma\epsilon, \quad u = F(a^\dagger)$$

Mathé & Pereverzev, 2003

Bissantz & Hohage & Munk & Ruymgaart, 2007

- $\xi \in \mathcal{Y}$, $\|\xi\|_{\mathcal{Y}} = 1$ **deterministic** error
- ϵ is a Hilbert-space process with $\mathbf{E} \langle \epsilon, \phi \rangle_{\mathcal{Y}} = 0$, $\|\mathbf{cov}_\epsilon\| \leq 1$.

Remark

- White noise models occur as limits of discrete noise models as the sample size n tends to infinity.
- We have $\sigma \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$.

Definitions

Definition

A continuous linear operator $\epsilon : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{K}, \mathbf{P})$ is called a **Hilbert-space process**.

The **covariance** $\mathbf{cov}_\epsilon : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ of ϵ is the bounded operator defined by $\langle \mathbf{cov}_\epsilon \phi_1, \phi_2 \rangle = \mathbf{Cov}(\langle \epsilon, \phi_1 \rangle, \langle \epsilon, \phi_2 \rangle)$, $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in \mathcal{Y}$.

Definition

ϵ is a **white noise process** if $\mathbf{cov}_\epsilon = I$.

A Gaussian white noise process in an infinite-dimensional Hilbert space can not be identified with a Hilbert-space valued random variable with finite second moment.

Aims in statistical inverse problems

- 1 Approximate the discontinuous operator F^{-1} by a family of continuous operators $\{R_\alpha : \alpha > 0\}$.
- 2 Choose a parameter choice rule $\alpha = \alpha(Y, \sigma)$ to obtain an estimate $\hat{a} = R_{\alpha(Y, \sigma)}(Y)$.
- 3 Prove consistency for \hat{a} i.e.

$$\mathbf{E} \|\hat{a} - a^\dagger\|_{\mathcal{X}}^2 \xrightarrow{\sigma \rightarrow 0} 0$$

- 4 Compute rates of convergence under further a-priori information on the solution, e.g. that a^\dagger belongs to a smoothness class \mathcal{X}_q .

2-step method for nonlinear inverse problems

- $F : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$ is a **nonlinear, injective** operator.
- An estimator \hat{u} of $u \in \mathcal{Y}$ is chosen, \mathcal{Y} a Hilbert space, such that $\sqrt{\mathbf{E}\|\hat{u} - u\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2} \leq \tau$ with known τ .
- $\hat{a} \in D(F)$ is the Tikhonov estimator of a :

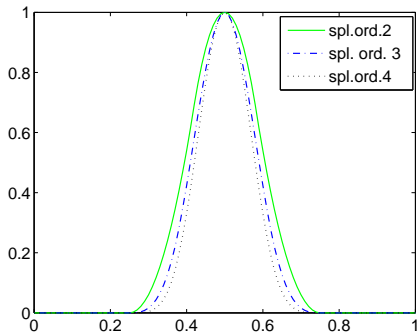
$$\hat{a} := \operatorname{argmin}_{a \in D(F)} \{ \|F(a) - \hat{u}\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2 + \alpha \|a - a_0\|_{\mathcal{X}}^2 \}$$

- Tikhonov regularization corresponds to ridge regression for linear models in statistics.
- Bissantz & Hohage & Munk 2004

Convergence rates for nonlinear statistical inverse problems

- O'Sullivan 1990: first convergence rate result (suboptimal rates with restrictive assumptions)
- Bissantz & Hohage & Munk 2004: consistency and optimal rates for one smoothness class
- Hohage & Pricop 2008: optimal rates in a range of smoothness classes

Hilbert scales



$L : D(L) \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ unbounded,
selfadjoint, strictly positive

$D(L) \subset \mathcal{X}$ dense

$\mathcal{X}_s := D(L^s), s \geq 0$

$\langle x, y \rangle_s := \langle L^s x, L^s y \rangle_{\mathcal{X}}, x, y \in \mathcal{X}_s$

Natterer 1984: Rates of convergence for deterministic linear
inverse problems

Tikhonov regularization in Hilbert scales

Nonlinear Inverse Problems

\hat{a} is the solution of

$$\|F(a) - \hat{u}\|_{\mathcal{Y}}^2 + \alpha \|a - a_0\|_{\mathcal{X}_s}^2 \rightarrow \min, a \in D(F) \cap (a_0 + \mathcal{X}_s)$$

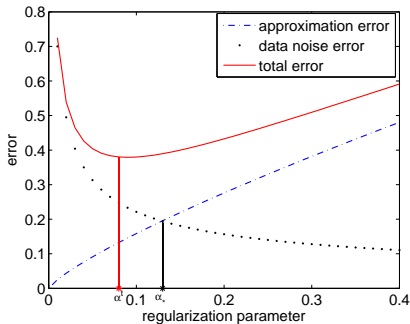
with $\hat{u} = F(a^\dagger) + \delta\xi$, δ deterministic noise level und $\tau \in \mathcal{Y}$.

Assumptions

1. $D(F)$ is convex, F is continuous, injective, Fréchet-differentiable on \mathcal{X} and weakly closed on \mathcal{X}_s for some $s \geq 0$.
2. $\|F'(a^\dagger)h\|_{\mathcal{Y}} \sim \|h\|_{-\rho}$, $\forall h \in \mathcal{X}$, for some **known** $\rho > 0$.
3. There exists $L > 0$ such that $a \in D(F) \cap (a_0 + \mathcal{X}_s)$

$$\|F'(a^\dagger) - F'(a)\|_{\mathcal{Y} \leftarrow \mathcal{X}_{-\rho}} \leq L \|a^\dagger - a\|_0 \leq \frac{\lambda}{2\Lambda}.$$

Lepskiĭ choice of the regularization parameter



- Lepskiĭ 1990: **adaptive** choice of the regularization parameter for regression problems
- Mathé, Pereverzev 2003, 2006: the Lepskiĭ principle for linear inverse problems

Convergence for exact data

We use the error splitting $\|a^\dagger - \hat{a}\| \leq \|a^\dagger - a_\alpha\| + \|a_\alpha - \hat{a}\|$ where

$$a_\alpha := \operatorname{argmin}_{a \in D(F) \cap (a_0 + \mathcal{X}_s)} \left(\|F(a) - F(a^\dagger)\|_Y^2 + \alpha \|a - a_0\|_S^2 \right).$$

Theorem

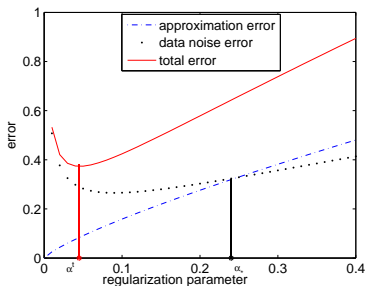
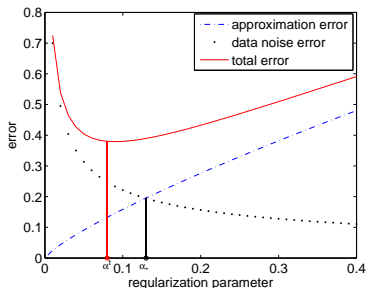
Let Assumptions 1 – 3, $a^\dagger - a_0 \in \mathcal{X}_q$, $q \in [s, p + 2s]$, $s \geq p$ and a deterministic noise model hold. Then it holds

$$\|a_\alpha - a^\dagger\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq C \alpha^{\frac{q}{2(\rho+s)}}$$

$$\|\hat{a} - a_\alpha\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq c \left(\delta \alpha^{\frac{-p}{2(\rho+s)}} + \alpha^{\frac{q}{2(\rho+s)}} \right)$$

with the constants C and c depending on a^\dagger , p , q , s .

Balancing principle for deterministic nonlinear inverse problems



We choose $\alpha_j = \delta^2 (q^2)^{j-1}$, $q > 1$, $j = 1, \dots, m$, denote $a_i = a_{\alpha_i}$ and determine $\alpha_+ = \alpha_{i_+}$ such that

$$i_+ = \max \left\{ i : \|a_i - a_j\| \leq 4C^* \delta \alpha_j^{\frac{-p}{2(s+p)}}, j = 1, 2, \dots, i \right\}.$$

Balancing principle for deterministic nonlinear inverse problems

Theorem

Under the Assumptions 1 – 3, for deterministic noise model and for the choice of the regularization parameter $\alpha = \alpha_+$, the order-optimal error bound

$$\|a_+ - a^\dagger\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq 6C^* \delta^{\frac{q}{p+q}}$$

holds true, where $a_+ = a_{\alpha_+}$.

Shuai, Pereverzev, Ramlau 2007: the balancing principle for nonlinear inverse problems

Balancing principle for statistical nonlinear inverse problems

Let us assume a stochastic setting and choose

$$i_+ = \max \left\{ i : \|a_i - a_j\|_{\mathcal{X}} \leq 4C^* \tau \ln \frac{1}{\tau} \alpha_j^{\frac{-\rho}{2(s+\rho)}}, j = 1, 2, \dots, i \right\}.$$

Theorem

If, besides the Assumptions 1 – 3 for stochastic setting, the probability distribution for the estimator \hat{u} fulfills the exponential inequality

$$\mathbf{P} \left\{ \|\hat{u} - \mathbf{E}\hat{u}\|^2 \geq (t-1) \mathbf{E} \left(\|\hat{u} - \mathbf{E}\hat{u}\|^2 \right) \right\} \leq c_1 \exp(-c_2 t)$$

for any $t > 1$ and for a constant $k > 0$, then it holds

$$\mathbf{E}(\|a_+ - a^\dagger\|_{\mathcal{X}}^2) \leq \frac{2qK}{\rho+q} \tau^{\frac{2q}{\rho+q}} \ln \frac{1}{\tau}.$$

Parameter estimation as inverse problem

Direct problem

find u given a and f

$$\begin{cases} -u''(x) + a(x)u(x) = f(x) \\ u(0) = g_0, u(1) = g_1 \end{cases}$$

- $x \in (0, 1)$
- u is the **population density** of a biological species
- **Malthus model** the rate of change f linearly dependent on a population density u

Inverse Problem

estimate a from u given f and g

$$F : D(F) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1), F(a^\dagger) := u^\dagger \\ D(F) = \{a \in L^2(0, 1) : 0 \leq a \leq \gamma\}$$

- The inverse problem is the not so well understood model.
- For any $u^\dagger \in L^2(\Omega)$ there exists an unique $a^\dagger \in D(F)$.
- F^{-1} is a discontinuous operator \rightarrow **ill-posed** problem

Hilbert scale

$$\mathcal{X}_{-1} ::= \left\{ v \in L^2 : \int_0^1 v \, dx = 0 \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{X}_0 = H^1 \cap \left\{ v \in L^2 : \int_0^1 v \, dx = 0 \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{X}_1 = \left\{ u \in H^2 : u'(0) = u'(1) = 0, \int_0^1 u \, dx = 0 \right\},$$

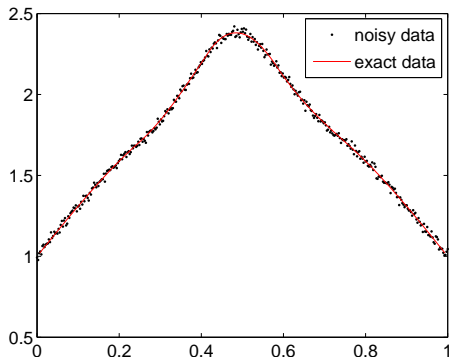
$$\mathcal{X}_2 = H^3 \cap \mathcal{X}_1,$$

$$\mathcal{X}_3 = \{ \phi \in H^4 \cap \mathcal{X}_1 : \phi'''(0) = \phi'''(1) = 0 \}.$$

For fast rates of convergence the mean values of a^\dagger and its odd derivatives at boundaries must be known a-priori. This a-priori knowledge must be incorporated in the initial guess a_0 .

Verification of assumptions for F : Hohage & Pricop 2008

Noise model



Data: $(X_1, Y_1) \cdots (X_n, Y_n)$
 $\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$ fixed design in $[0, 1]$

Regression model

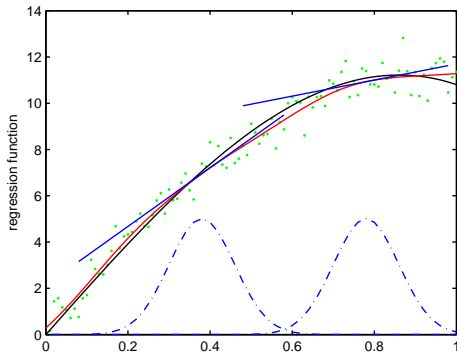
$$Y_i = u(X_i) + \varepsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

with errors ε_i i.i.d. with

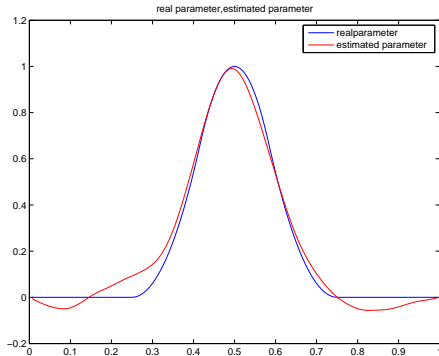
$$\mathbf{E}(\varepsilon_i) = 0 \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{var}(\varepsilon_i) = 0.01^2, \quad n = 398$$

Parameter reconstruction







$C^3(0, 1)$, grid $m = 100$
Gauss. kernel, bandwidth by CV



is spline of order 2
 $s = 2$, $p = 2$, $q = 2.5$

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