

Optimization considerations for regularizations of inverse and learning problems

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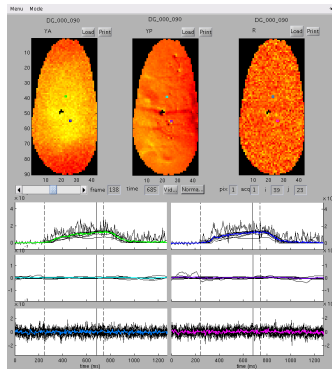
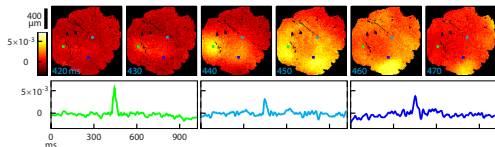
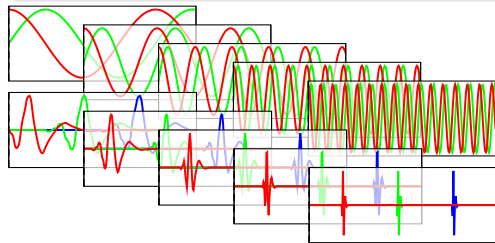
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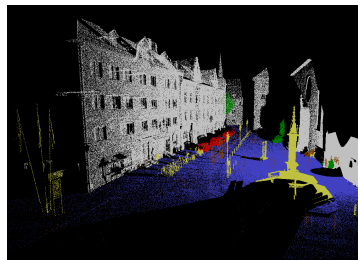
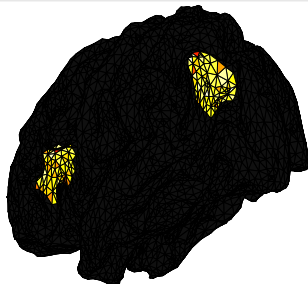
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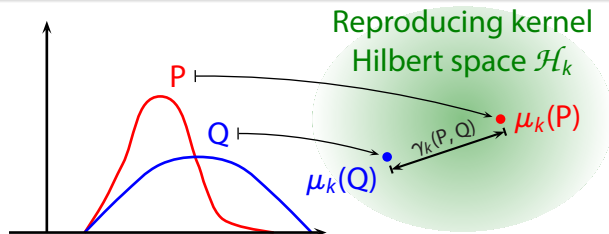
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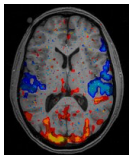
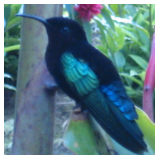
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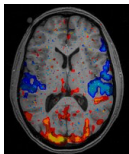
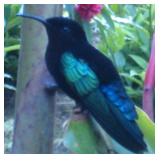
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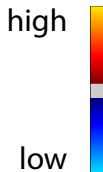
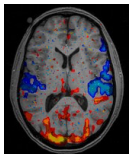
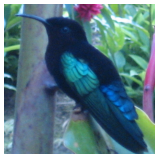


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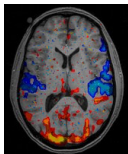
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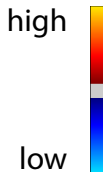
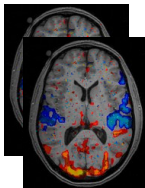
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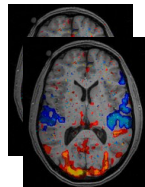
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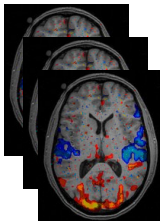
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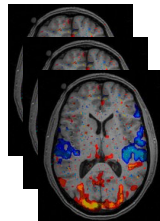


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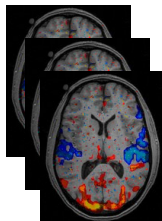
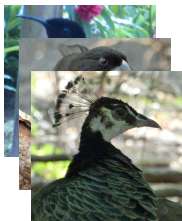
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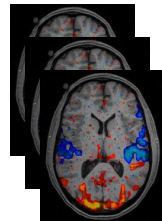
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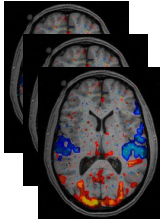
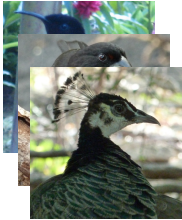
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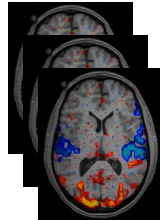
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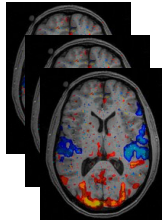
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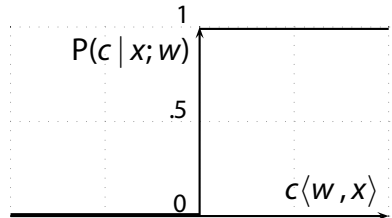
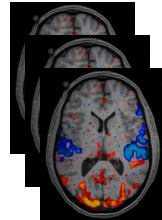
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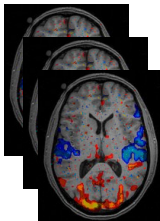
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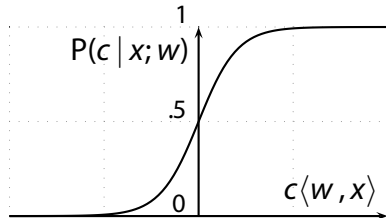
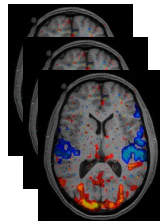
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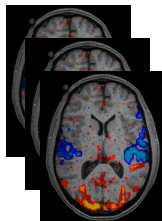
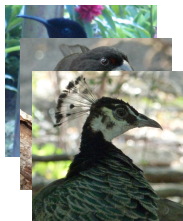
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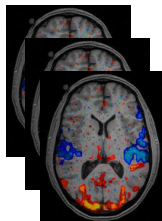
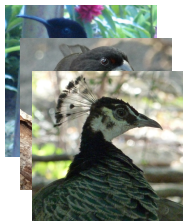
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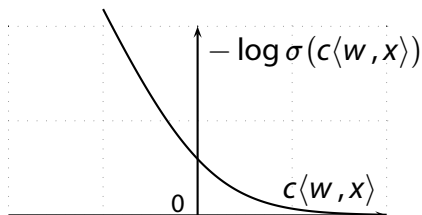
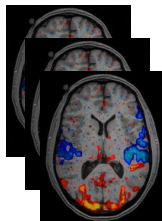
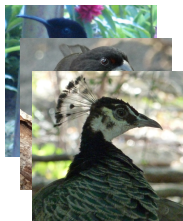
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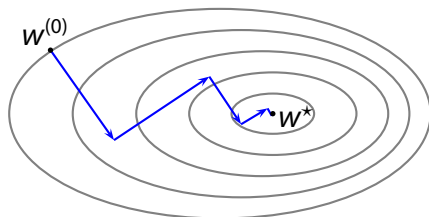
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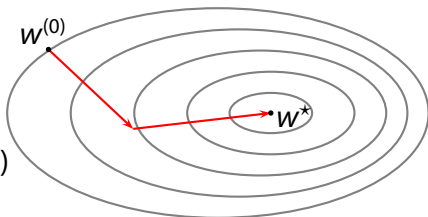
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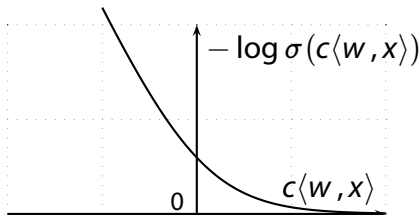


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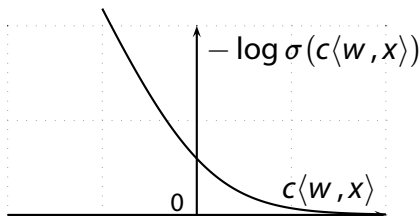


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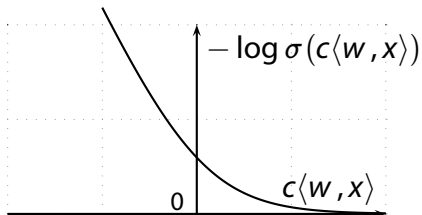
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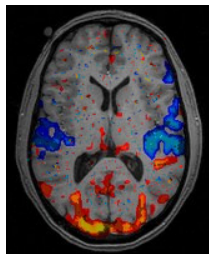
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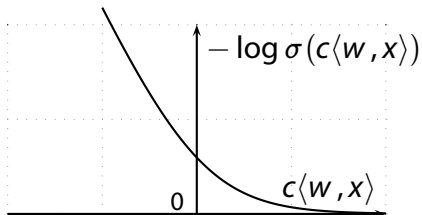


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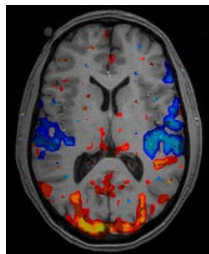


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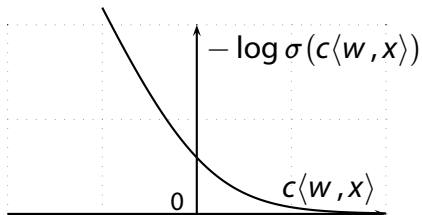


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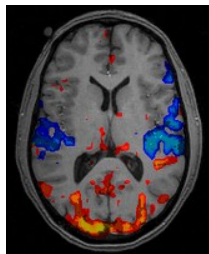
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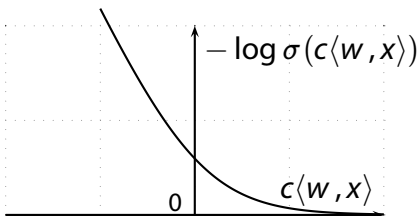


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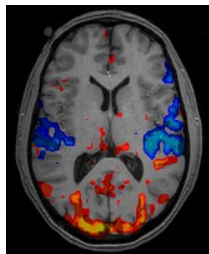
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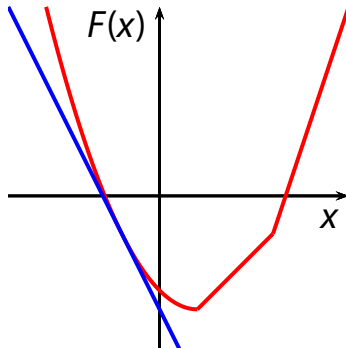
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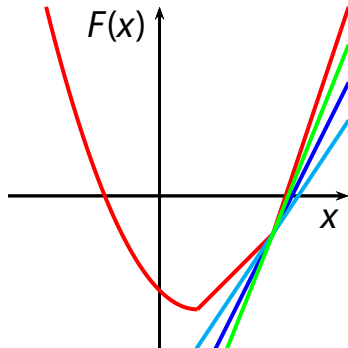
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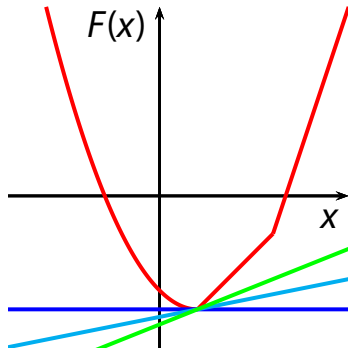
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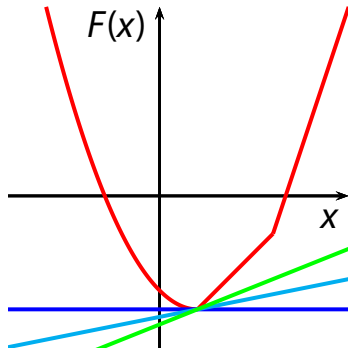
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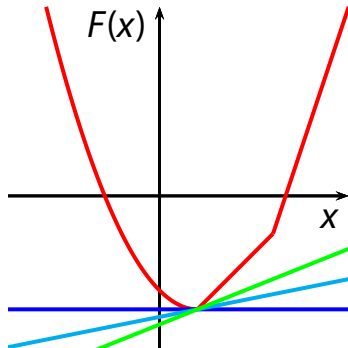
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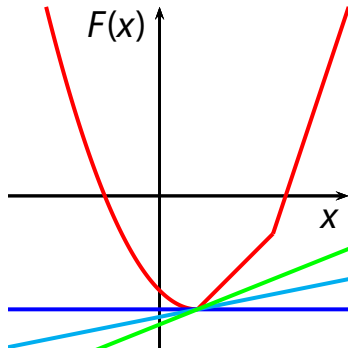
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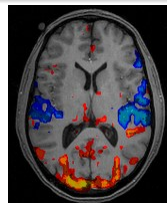
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a.k.a proximal gradient algorithm

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Overrelaxation and Inertial Forces

All Methods

- $y^{(k+1)} = T_X^{(k)}$
- $x^{(k+1)} = y^{(k+1)} + \alpha_k(y^{(k+1)} - y^{(k)})$

Acceleration observed in practice (Iutzeler and Hendrickx, 2018)

$F = f + g$ Forward-Backward

Theoretical acceleration on functional values $F(x^{(k)}) - F(x^*)$
(Beck and Teboulle, 2009)

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- Γ approximate “ $(\nabla^2 F^{-1})$ ”
- $\sum_i W_i = \text{Id}$, but W_i might be only semidefinite
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$F = f + g \circ L + h$ Forward-Backward Primal-Dual

Preconditioning on both L and $\nabla^2 f$ (Lorenz and Pock, 2015)

Proximal Splitting Algorithms

Stochastic and distributed versions

Douglas–Rachford and ADMM

Seminal work of Iutzeler et al. (2013)

All Methods

Fall within the scope of stochastic fixed point algorithms
(Combettes and Pesquet, 2015)

Special case of Forward-Douglas–Rachford

Replace ∇f by a random variable G

Typical convergence conditions:

- $E[G^{(k)} \mid X^{(1)}, \dots, X^{(k)}] = \nabla f(X^{(n)}) \quad \text{a.s.}$
- $\sum_k E[\|G^{(k)} - \nabla f(X^{(n)})\|^2 \mid X^{(1)}, \dots, X^{(k)}] < +\infty \quad \text{a.s.}$

(Cevher et al., 2016)

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Nonconvex cases

$$F = f + g \text{ Forward-Backward}$$

Any function nonconvex (Attouch et al., 2013)

f smooth, g convex (Ochs et al., 2014; Chouzenoux et al., 2014)

$$F = g \circ L + h \text{ Primal-Dual Hybrid Gradient}$$

g semiconvex, h strongly convex (Möhlenhoff et al., 2015)

h smooth, L surjective (with ADMM, Li and Pong, 2015)

But actually my classification of proximal algorithms is not anymore relevant in absence of convexity

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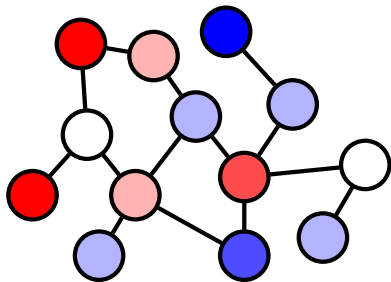
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Enhancing proximal algorithm with combinatorial optimization

$$G = (V, E) \quad F: (x_v)_{v \in V} \mapsto f(x) + \sum_{v \in V} g_v(x_v) + \sum_{(u,v) \in E} w_{(u,v)} |x_u - x_v|$$

f smooth; g separable

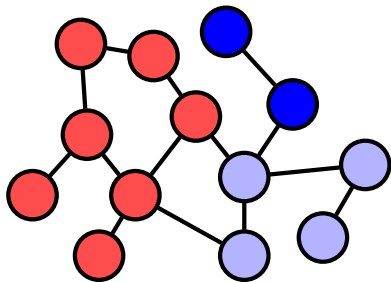


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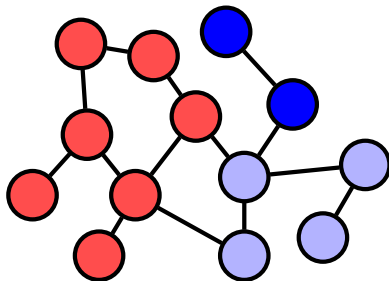
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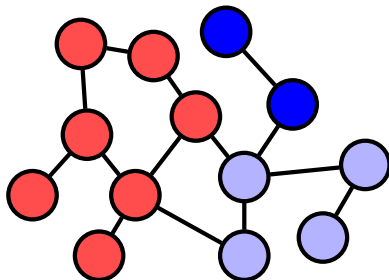
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- block coordinate
- “working set” (Landrieu and Obozinski, 2017)

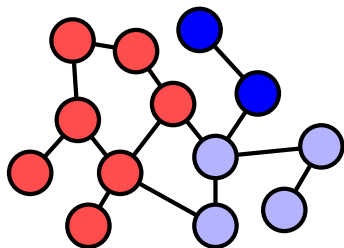
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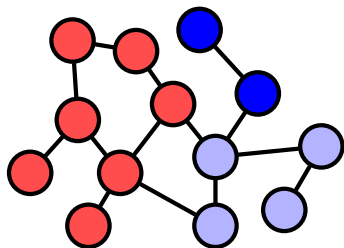
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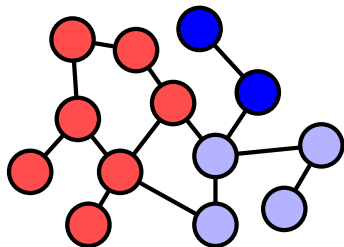
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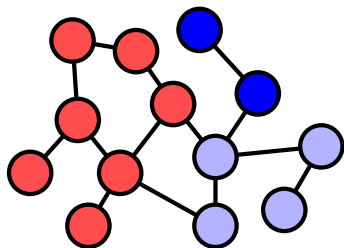
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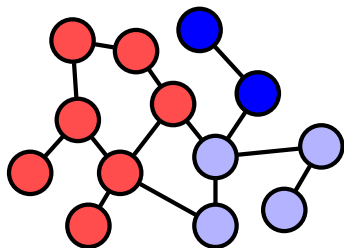
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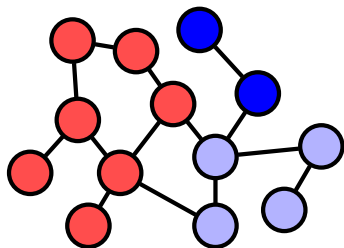
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1. solve reduced problem
2. refine partition $\mathcal{V}$



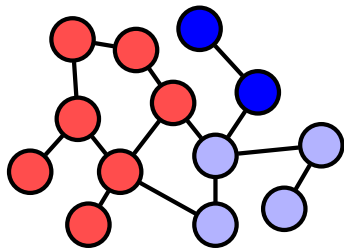
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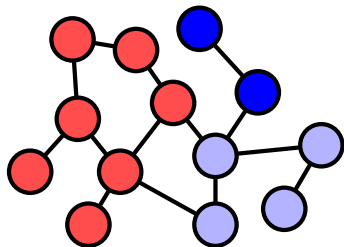
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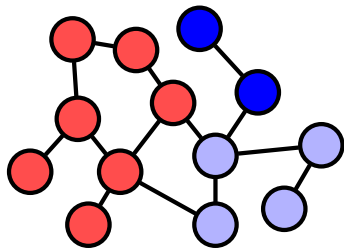
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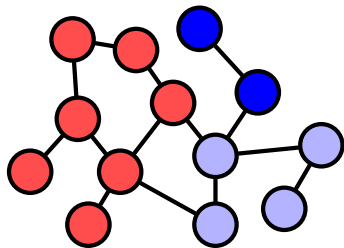
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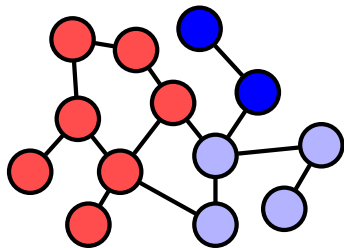
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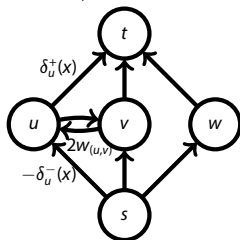
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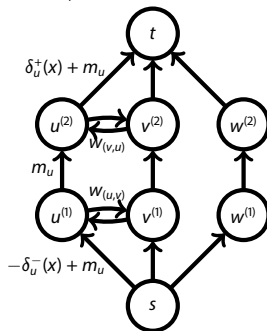
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Theorem: this set of descent directions is rich enough to ensure optimality



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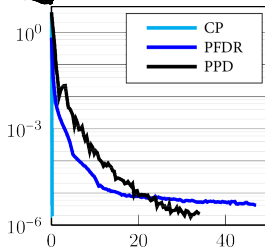
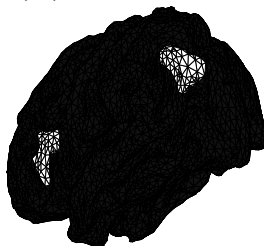
Preliminary results

Brain source identification in electroencephalography

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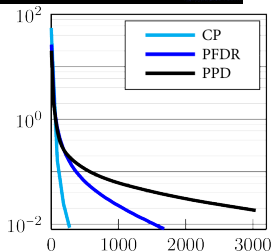
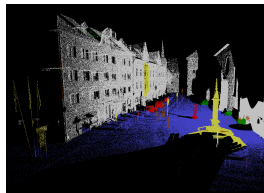
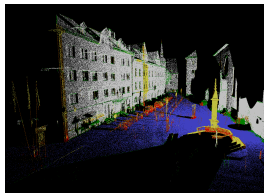
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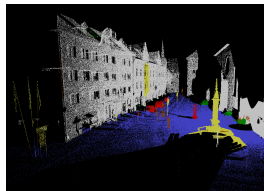
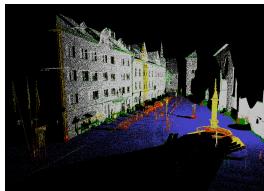
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Next: parallelize graph cuts along components in $\mathcal{V}$

- almost linear acceleration
- distributed optimization

Integration in ICAR team

Strengths

- continuous methods
- regularization techniques
- convex optimization

Weaknesses

- not (yet) an expert in (deep) learning
- not familiar with “discrete formulations”

Research interest

- registration and inverse problems for medical imaging
- high-resolution satellite image segmentation
- dependence measures for identifying functional relationship between data with statistical tools

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