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# **New results on a variational inequality formulation of Lavrentiev regularization for nonlinear monotone ill-posed problems**

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# 1. Variational Lavrentiev regularization

## 1.1 Preparations

### Definition

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  Hilbert space,  $F : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  nonlinear, in general. The operator  $F$  is *monotone* on a set  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ , if

$$\langle Fu - Fv, u - v \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for each } u, v \in \mathcal{M}.$$

### Example

Consider classical integration and the Abel operators (both linear!)

$$(Vu)(x) = \int_0^x u(y) dy,$$

$$(V^\alpha u)(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^x (x-y)^{-(1-\alpha)} u(y) dy \quad (0 < \alpha < 1)$$

for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . Both are monotone on  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(0, 1)$ .

## Example (ODE parameter estimation)

Consider operator  $F : L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1)$  given by  $Fu = f$ , where

$$f'(x) + u(x)f(x) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad f(0) = -c_0,$$

with  $c_0 > 0$  given.  $F$  is monotone on  $\mathcal{M} = \{u \in L^2(0, 1) \mid u \geq 0\}$ .

## Example (Autoconvolution)

Consider  $F : L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1)$  given by

$$(Fu)(x) = \int_0^x u(x-y)u(y)dy, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

$F$  is monotone on

$$\mathcal{M} = \{u \in L^2(0, 1) \mid u', u'' \in L^2(0, 1), u \geq 0, u' \leq 0, u'' \geq 0\}.$$

## Assumptions

Let

- $\mathcal{H}$  Hilbert space,  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  closed convex.
- $F : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  monotone on  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ , i.e.,

$$\langle Fu - Fv, u - v \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for each } u, v \in \mathcal{M}.$$

- $u_* \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $Fu_* = f$ ,  $f^\delta \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\|f^\delta - f\| \leq \delta$ .
- In general,  $F^{-1}$  not continuous at  $f$ .
- Determine  $u_*$ .

## Classical Lavrentiev regularization

Consider for  $0 < \gamma =$  regularization parameter

$$(F + \gamma I)u_\gamma^\delta = f^\delta$$

with  $u_\gamma^\delta \in \mathcal{M}$ .

### Remark

Recall Tikhonov regularization for linear case:

$$(A^*A + \gamma I)u_\gamma^\delta = A^*f^\delta,$$

where  $A : \mathcal{H}_1 \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_2$  linear, bounded, with  $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$  Hilbert spaces.

Thus: Lavrentiev regularization = Tikhonov regularization without normalization in linear case.

## Remark

Note that equation  $(F + \gamma I)u_\gamma^\delta = f^\delta$  is solvable on  $\mathcal{M}$  in special cases only, e.g.,

- $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{H}$ , and  $F$  continuous, or
- $\mathcal{M} =$  closed ball of sufficiently large radius.

In applications, frequently  $\mathcal{H} = L^2(0,1)$ ,  $\mathcal{M} = \{u \in L^2(0,1) \mid u \geq 0\}$ , however.

## Notation

For  $F : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  we use the notation

$$F_\gamma = F + \gamma I : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H} \quad \text{for } \gamma > 0.$$

## Variational Lavrentiev regularization (RVI)

For  $\gamma =$  regularization parameter  $> 0$ , determine  $u_\gamma^\delta \in \mathcal{M}$  with

$$\langle F_\gamma u_\gamma^\delta - f^\delta, u - u_\gamma^\delta \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for each } u \in \mathcal{M}. \quad (\text{RVI})$$

### Proposition

Let  $\mathcal{P}_\mathcal{M} =$  metric projection onto  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $u_\gamma^\delta \in \mathcal{M}$ . Then:

$$u_\gamma^\delta \text{ solves RVI} \iff u_\gamma^\delta = \mathcal{P}_\mathcal{M}(u_\gamma^\delta - \mu(F_\gamma u_\gamma^\delta - f^\delta))$$

with  $\mu > 0$ .

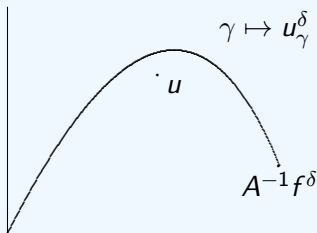
### Theorem

If  $F : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  continuous + bounded then RVI has a (unique) solution  $u_\gamma^\delta \in \mathcal{M}$ .

## Some new convergence rates

### Trajectory in $\mathcal{H}$ ; semiconvergence

Variational Lavrentiev regularization  $\rightsquigarrow \{u_\gamma^\delta\}_{\gamma \geq 0} \subset \mathcal{H}$





## Lemma

For  $u_\gamma = u_\gamma^0$ , i.e., variational Lavrentiev regularization with exact data, we have

$$\|u_\gamma^\delta - u_*\| \leq \|u_\gamma - u_*\| + \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \quad \text{for } \gamma > 0.$$

## Proof

Simple decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_\gamma^\delta - u_*\| &\leq \|u_\gamma - u_*\| + \|u_\gamma^\delta - u_\gamma\|, \\ \|u_\gamma^\delta - u_\gamma\| &\leq \frac{\delta}{\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

So  $e_\gamma = u_\gamma - u_*$  has to be estimated!

Note: For Tikhonov method, estimation of  $\|u_\gamma^\delta - u_\gamma\|$  possible under additional smoothness of solution, see Scherzer (1993).

Convergence:

### Theorem

Let  $F$  be continuous and  $u_* =$  minimum norm solution of (non-regularized) VI. Then:

(a)  $e_\gamma = u_\gamma - u_* \rightarrow 0$  as  $\gamma \rightarrow 0$ ,

(b)  $e_\gamma^\delta = u_\gamma^\delta - u_* \rightarrow 0$  as  $\gamma\delta \rightarrow 0, \frac{\delta}{\gamma} \rightarrow 0$ .

Alber, Ryazantseva, Khan, Tichatschke, Tammer, Gwinner, . . . .

## Definition

An operator  $F : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$  is *cocoercive* on a subset  $\mathcal{M} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  if, for some  $\tau > 0$ ,

$$\langle Fu - Fv, u - v \rangle \geq \tau \|Fu - Fv\|^2 \quad \text{for each } u, v \in \mathcal{M}.$$

## Example (ODE parameter estimation revisited)

Consider again  $F : L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1)$  given by  $Fu = f$ , where

$$f'(x) + u(x)f(x) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad f(0) = -c_0,$$

with  $c_0 > 0$  given. For any  $\theta > 0$ , the operator  $F$  is cocoercive on  $\mathcal{M} = \{u \in L^2(0, 1) \mid u \geq \theta\}$ .

## Remark

1. Obviously, cocoercive  $\implies$  monotone
2. Baillon–Hadard theorem: Assume  $\mathcal{M}$  open, and  $F$  has potential. Then  $F$  Lipschitz continuous  $\implies F$  cocoercive.

## Theorem

Suppose that

- $F$  is cocoercive on  $\mathcal{M}$ ,
- $F$  is Fréchet differentiable on  $\mathcal{H}$ , with

$$\|F'(u) - F'(v)\| \leq L\|u - v\| \quad \text{for each } u, v \in \mathcal{M},$$

with some  $L \geq 0$ ,

- $u_* = F'(u_*)^* z$  for some  $z \in \mathcal{H}$ , with  $\|z\|$  small enough.

Then

$$\|e_\gamma\| = \mathcal{O}(\gamma^{1/2}), \quad \|F(u_\gamma) - f\| = \mathcal{O}(\gamma) \quad \text{as } \gamma \rightarrow 0.$$

## Corollary

Under the conditions of the theorem we have, with  $\gamma_\delta = c\delta^{2/3}$ ,

$$\|u_{\gamma_\delta}^\delta - u\| = \mathcal{O}(\delta^{1/3}) \quad \text{as } \delta \rightarrow 0.$$

## Remark

1. Parts of proof of Theorem are similar to related results in Scherzer/Engl/Kunisch (1993) on Tikhonov regularization.
2. Liu/Nashed (1998) for RVI:  $\|e_\gamma\| = \mathcal{O}(\gamma^{1/3})$  only (under more general assumptions, however, eg., possible set perturbations).
3. Adjoint source condition not well suited for Lavrentiev regularization. For linear problems, see Plato/Hofmann/Mathé (2018).
4. Results improvable in linear case under standard source conditions.
5. Similar rates for classical Lavrentiev regularization: Hofmann/Kaltenbacher/Resmerita (2016).

### 3 Variational Lavrentiev regularization with initial guess

#### Method

Let initial guess  $\bar{u} \in \mathcal{H}$  be fixed. For  $\gamma > 0$ , determine  $u_\gamma^\delta \in \mathcal{M}$  with

$$\langle Fu_\gamma^\delta + \alpha(u_\gamma^\delta - \bar{u}) - f^\delta, u - u_\gamma^\delta \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{for each } u \in \mathcal{M}. \quad (*)$$

Let  $u_\gamma = u_\gamma^0$  be obtained by  $(*)$ , with exact data  $f^\delta = f$ .

#### Theorem

Let  $F$  be cocoercive on  $\mathcal{M}$ , and  $F'$  be Lipschitz continuous on  $\mathcal{M}$ .  
If

$$u_* \in \mathcal{M}, \quad Fu_* = f, \quad u_* - \bar{u} = F'(u_*)^* z, \quad \varrho := \|z\|,$$

holds for some  $z \in \mathcal{H}$  and  $\varrho L < 2$ , then

$$\|u_\gamma - u_*\| = \mathcal{O}(\gamma^{1/2}) \text{ as } \gamma \rightarrow 0, \quad \|u_{\gamma\delta}^\delta - u_*\| = \mathcal{O}(\delta^{1/3}) \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0,$$

for any a priori parameter choice  $\gamma_\delta \sim \delta^{2/3}$ .

## 4 Numerical results

### ODE parameter estimation revisited

Consider again  $F : L^2(0, 1) \rightarrow L^2(0, 1)$  given by  $Fu = f$ , where

$$f'(x) + u(x)f(x) = 0, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1, \quad f(0) = -1,$$

This means

$$(Fu)(x) = -\exp\left(-\int_0^x u(y) dy\right), \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1. \quad (1)$$

For any  $\theta > 0$ , the operator  $F$  is cocoercive on  $\mathcal{M} = \{u \in L^2(0, 1) \mid u \geq \theta\}$ .

## Example 1

Consider first  $Fu = f$ , with

$$f(x) = -\exp\left(-\frac{a}{2}x^2 - bx\right) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1,$$

with  $a = b = \frac{1}{2}$ . Exact solution:

$$u_*(x) = ax + b \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Note that  $u_* \geq b$ .

The modified adjoint source condition is satisfied for initial guess

$$\bar{u} \equiv u_*(1).$$

Consider modified variational Lavrentiev with initial guess  $\bar{u}$  and parameter  $\gamma_\delta = \delta^{2/3}$ .



## Numerical results for Example 1:

$\delta$	$100 \cdot \delta / \ f\ $	$\ u_{\gamma\delta}^\delta - u_*\ $	$\ u_{\gamma\delta}^\delta - u_*\  / \delta^{1/3}$
$1.0 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.33 \cdot 10^0$	$9.87 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.46
$5.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.66 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$8.23 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.48
$2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.33 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$6.72 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.50
$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.67 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$5.42 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.50
$6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$8.33 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$4.17 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.49
$3.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$4.16 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.26 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.48
$1.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$2.08 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$3.26 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.61
$7.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$1.04 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.72 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.64
$3.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$5.21 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$2.53 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.75

Table: Numerical results for first example

## Example 2

Now consider  $Fu = f$ , with

$$f(x) = -\exp\left(\frac{a}{\pi}(\cos \pi x - 1) - bx\right)$$

with  $a = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $b = \frac{1}{3}$ . Exact solution:

$$u_*(x) = a \sin \pi x + b \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1.$$

Note that  $u_* \geq b$ .

The modified adjoint source condition is satisfied for initial guess

$$\bar{u} \equiv u_*(1).$$

Consider modified variational Lavrentiev with initial guess  $\bar{u}$  and parameter  $\gamma_\delta = \delta^{2/3}$ .

## Numerical results for Example 2:

$\delta$	$100 \cdot \delta / \ f\ $	$\ u_{\gamma\delta}^\delta - u_*\ $	$\ u_{\gamma\delta}^\delta - u_*\  / \delta^{1/3}$
$1.0 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.25 \cdot 10^0$	$7.00 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.32
$5.0 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$6.25 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$4.66 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.27
$2.5 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$3.12 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$3.87 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.29
$1.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$1.56 \cdot 10^{-1}$	$3.01 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.28
$6.2 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$7.81 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$2.22 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.26
$3.1 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$3.90 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.60 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.24
$1.6 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$1.95 \cdot 10^{-2}$	$1.08 \cdot 10^{-2}$	0.20
$7.8 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$9.76 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$7.54 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.18
$3.9 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.88 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$4.70 \cdot 10^{-3}$	0.14

Table: Numerical results for second example

## 5 Conclusions

### Conclusions

- More examples.
- Other source conditions.
- Get rid of cocoercivess.
- Many thanks for invitation.
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