

# Hierarchical prior models for scalable Bayesian Tomography

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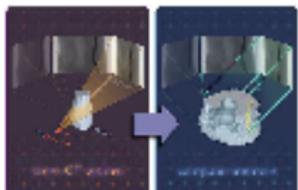
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# Computed Tomography or how to see inside of a body

- ▶  $f(x, y)$  a section of a real 3D body  $f(x, y, z)$
- ▶  $g_\phi(r)$  a line of observed radiography  $g_\phi(r, z)$



- ▶ Forward model:  
Line integrals or Radon Transform



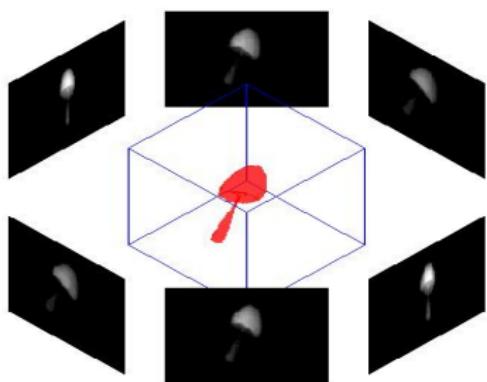
$$\begin{aligned} g_\phi(r) &= \int_{L_{r,\phi}} f(x, y) \, dl + \epsilon_\phi(r) \\ &= \iint f(x, y) \delta(r - x \cos \phi - y \sin \phi) \, dx \, dy + \epsilon_\phi(r) \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Inverse problem: Image reconstruction

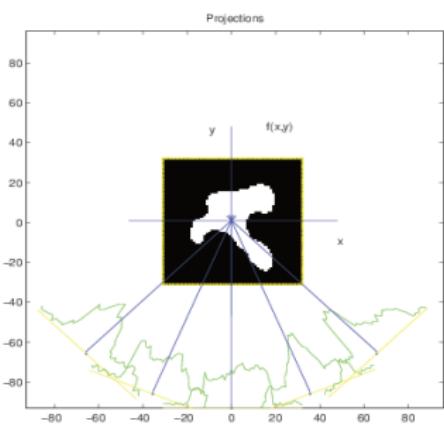
Given the forward model  $\mathcal{H}$  (Radon Transform) and  
a set of data  $g_{\phi_i}(r), i = 1, \dots, M$   
find  $f(x, y)$

# 2D and 3D Computed Tomography

3D



2D

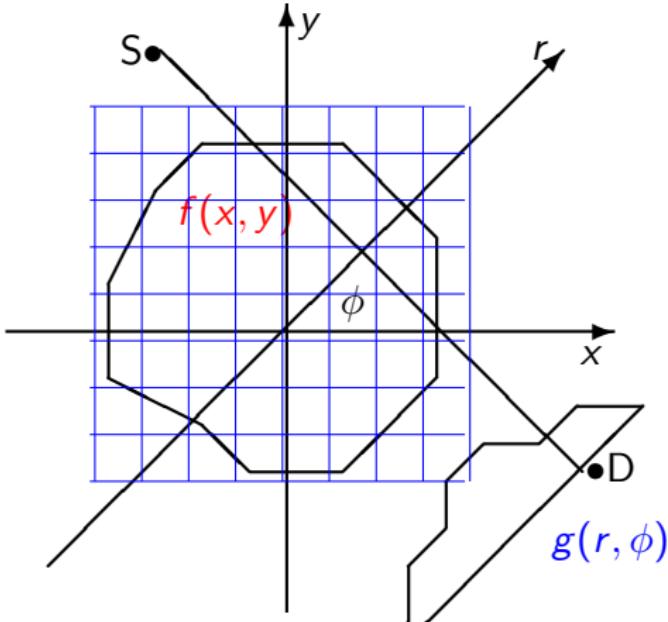


$$g_\phi(r_1, r_2) = \int_{\mathcal{L}_{r_1, r_2, \phi}} f(x, y, z) \, dI \quad g_\phi(r) = \int_{\mathcal{L}_{r, \phi}} f(x, y) \, dI$$

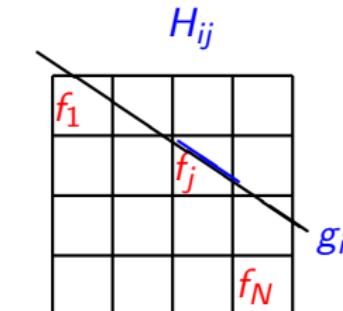
Forward problem:  $f(x, y)$  or  $f(x, y, z)$   $\rightarrow$   $g_\phi(r)$  or  $g_\phi(r_1, r_2)$

Inverse problem:  $g_\phi(r)$  or  $g_\phi(r_1, r_2)$   $\rightarrow$   $f(x, y)$  or  $f(x, y, z)$

## Algebraic methods: Discretization



$$g(r, \phi) = \int_L f(x, y) \, dl$$



$$f(x, y) = \sum_j f_j b_j(x, y)$$
$$b_j(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x, y) \in \text{ pixel } j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$g_i = \sum_{j=1}^N H_{ij} f_j + \epsilon_i$$

$$\mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_k, k = 1, \dots, K \longrightarrow \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

$\mathbf{g}_k$  projection at angle  $\phi_k$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$  all the projections.

## Algebraic methods

$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{g}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{g}_K \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{H}_K \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{g}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_k \rightarrow \mathbf{g} = \sum_k \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_k = \mathbf{H} \mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{H}$  is huge dimensional: 2D:  $10^6 \times 10^6$ , 3D:  $10^9 \times 10^9$ .
- ▶  $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}$  corresponds to forward projection
- ▶  $\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{g}$  corresponds to Back projection (BP)
- ▶  $\mathbf{H}$  may not be invertible and even not square
- ▶  $\mathbf{H}$  is, in general, ill-conditioned
- ▶ Generalized Inverse Minimum Norm Solution

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{H}^t(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^t)^{-1}\mathbf{g} = \sum_k \mathbf{H}_k^t(\mathbf{H}_k\mathbf{H}_k^t)^{-1}\mathbf{g}_k$$

can be interpreted as the Filtered Back Projection solution

- ▶ Due to ill-posedness of the inverse problems, Generalized inversion and Least squares (LS) methods:

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{ J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 \} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{H})^{-1}\mathbf{H}^t\mathbf{g}$$

## Inversion: Deterministic methods: Data matching

- ▶ Observation model

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \rightarrow g_i = [\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}]_i + \epsilon_i = h_i(\mathbf{f}), \quad i = 1, \dots, M \longrightarrow$$

- ▶ Mismatch between data and output of the model  $\Delta(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f}))$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{\Delta(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f}))\}$$

- ▶ Examples:

– LS       $\Delta(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})\|^2 = \sum_i |g_i - h_i(\mathbf{f})|^2$

–  $L_p$        $\Delta(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})\|^p = \sum_i |g_i - h_i(\mathbf{f})|^p, \quad 1 < p < 2$

– KL       $\Delta(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})) = \sum_i g_i \ln \frac{g_i}{h_i(\mathbf{f})}$

- ▶ In general, does not give satisfactory results for inverse problems.

## Regularization theory

Inverse problems = Ill posed problems

→ Need for prior information

Functional space (Tikhonov):  $\mathbf{g} = \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{f}) + \epsilon$

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{f})\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathcal{D}\mathbf{f}\|_2^2$$

Finite dimensional space (Philips & Towney):  $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \epsilon$

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|^2$$

- Minimum norme LS (MNLS):  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{f}\|^2$
- Classical regularization:  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathcal{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2$
- More general regularization:

or

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})) + \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f})$$

**Limitations:**  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \Delta_1(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{f})) + \lambda \Delta_2(\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{f}_0)$

- Errors are considered implicitly white and Gaussian
- Limited prior information on the solution
- Lack of tools for the determination of the hyperparameters

# Inversion: Probabilistic methods

Taking account of errors and uncertainties → Probability theory

- ▶ Maximum Likelihood (ML)
- ▶ Minimum Inaccuracy (MI)
- ▶ Probability Distribution Matching (PDM)
- ▶ Maximum Entropy (ME) and Information Theory (IT)
- ▶ Bayesian Inference (BAYES)

## Advantages:

- ▶ Explicit account of the errors and noise
- ▶ A large class of priors via explicit or implicit modelling
- ▶ A coherent approach to combine information content of the data and priors

## Limitations:

- ▶ Practical implementation and cost of calculation

## Bayesian estimation approach

$$\mathcal{M} : \quad \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{Hf} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

- ▶ Observation model  $\mathcal{M}$  + Hypothesis on the noise  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \longrightarrow p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}; \mathcal{M}) = p_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}(\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{Hf})$
- ▶ A priori information  $p(\mathbf{f}|\mathcal{M})$
- ▶ Bayes : 
$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}; \mathcal{M}) p(\mathbf{f}|\mathcal{M})}{p(\mathbf{g}|\mathcal{M})}$$

### Link with regularization :

- ▶ Maximum A Posteriori (MAP) :

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\mathbf{f}} &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g})\} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) p(\mathbf{f})\} \\ &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f}) = -\ln p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) - \ln p(\mathbf{f})\}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Regularization:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f}) = Q(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{Hf}) + \lambda \Omega(\mathbf{f})\}$$

with  $Q(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{Hf}) = -\ln p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f})$  and  $\lambda \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = -\ln p(\mathbf{f})$

## Case of linear models and Gaussian priors

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

- ▶ Prior knowledge on the noise:

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, v_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) \rightarrow p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2v_\epsilon^2} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2\right]$$

- ▶ Prior knowledge on  $\mathbf{f}$ :

$$\mathbf{f} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, v_f^2 (\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D})^{-1}) \rightarrow p(\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2v_f^2} \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2\right]$$

- ▶ A posteriori:

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2v_\epsilon^2} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 - \frac{1}{2v_f^2} \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2\right]$$

- ▶ MAP :  $\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g})\} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f})\}$

with  $J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2, \quad \lambda = \frac{v_\epsilon^2}{v_f^2}$

- ▶ Advantage : characterization of the solution

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}) = \mathcal{N}(\widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\Sigma}) \quad \text{with}$$

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D})^{-1} \mathbf{H}'\mathbf{g}, \quad \widehat{\Sigma} = v_\epsilon (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D})^{-1}$$

## MAP estimation with other priors:

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f})\} \quad \text{with} \quad J(\mathbf{f}) = \frac{1}{v_\epsilon} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \Omega(\mathbf{f})$$

### Separable priors:

► Gaussian:

$$p(f_j) \propto \exp[-\alpha|f_j|^2] \longrightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \alpha \sum_j |f_j|^2 = \|\mathbf{f}\|_2^2$$

► Generalized Gaussian:

$$p(f_j) \propto \exp[-\alpha|f_j|^p], \quad 1 < p < 2 \rightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \alpha \sum_j |f_j|^p = \|\mathbf{f}\|_p^p$$

► Gamma:  $p(f_j) \propto f_j^\alpha \exp[-\beta f_j] \longrightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \alpha \sum_j \ln f_j + \beta f_j$

► Beta:

$$p(f_j) \propto f_j^\alpha (1-f_j)^\beta \longrightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \alpha \sum_j \ln f_j + \beta \sum_j \ln(1-f_j)$$

### Markovian models:

$$p(f_j|\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp \left[ -\alpha \sum_{i \in N_j} \phi(f_j, f_i) \right] \longrightarrow \Omega(\mathbf{f}) = \alpha \sum_j \sum_{i \in N_j} \phi(f_j, f_i),$$

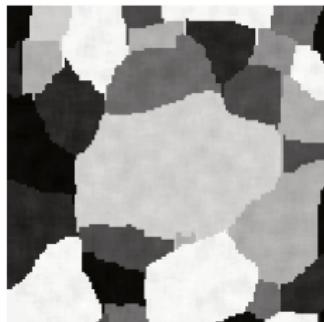
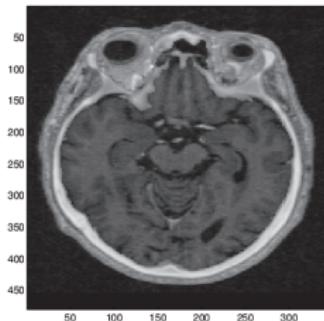
# Main advantages of the Bayesian approach

- ▶ MAP = Regularization
- ▶ Posterior mean ? Marginal MAP ?
- ▶ More information in the posterior law than only its mode or its mean
- ▶ Tools for estimating hyper parameters
- ▶ Tools for model selection
- ▶ More specific and specialized priors, particularly through the hidden variables and hierarchical models
- ▶ More computational tools:
  - ▶ Expectation-Maximization for computing the maximum likelihood parameters
  - ▶ MCMC for posterior exploration
  - ▶ Variational Bayes for analytical computation of the posterior marginals
  - ▶ ...

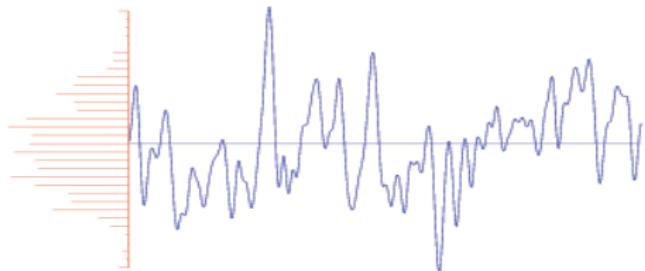
# Two main steps in the Bayesian approach

- ▶ Prior modeling
  - ▶ Separable:  
Gaussian, Gamma,  
**Sparsity enforcing:** Generalized Gaussian, mixture of Gaussians, mixture of Gammas, ...
  - ▶ Markovian:  
Gauss-Markov, GGM, ...
  - ▶ Markovian with **hidden variables**  
(contours, region labels)
- ▶ Choice of the estimator and computational aspects
  - ▶ MAP, Posterior mean, Marginal MAP
  - ▶ MAP needs **optimization** algorithms
  - ▶ Posterior mean needs **integration** methods
  - ▶ Marginal MAP and Hyperparameter estimation need **integration and optimization**
  - ▶ Approximations:
    - ▶ Gaussian approximation (Laplace)
    - ▶ Numerical exploration MCMC
    - ▶ Variational Bayes (**Separable approximation**)

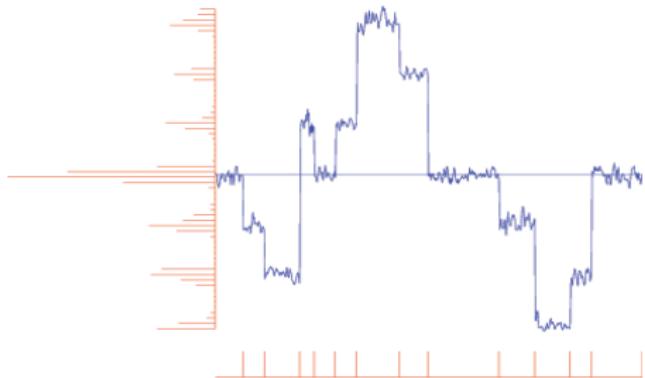
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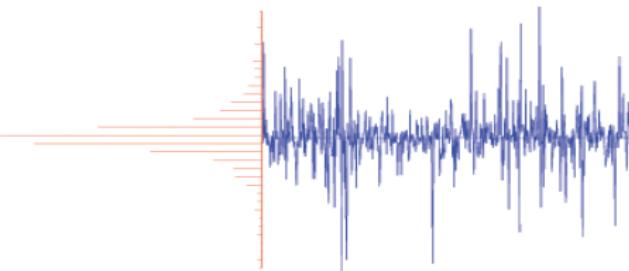
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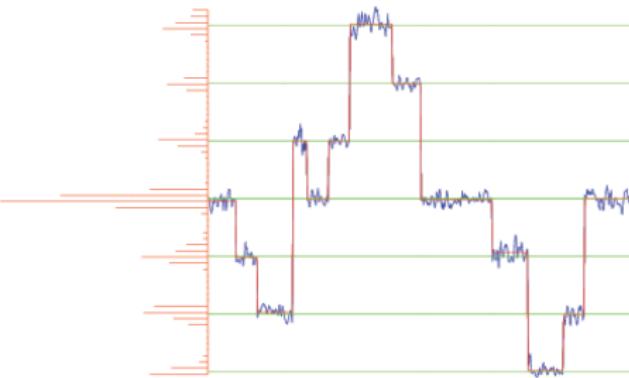
Gauss-Markov



Piecewise Gaussian



Generalized GM



Mixture of GM

## Different prior models for signals and images: Separable

- ▶ Simple Gaussian, Gamma, Generalized Gaussian

$$p(\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp \left[ -\alpha \sum_j \phi(f_j) \right]$$

- ▶ Simple Markovian models: Gauss-Markov, Generalized Gauss-Markov

$$p(\mathbf{f}) \propto \exp \left[ -\alpha \sum_j \sum_{j \in \mathcal{N}(i)} \phi(f_j - f_i) \right]$$

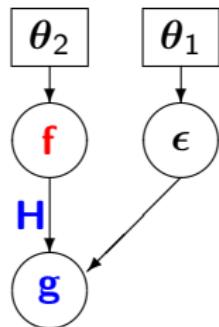
- ▶ Hierarchical models with hidden variables:  
Bernouilli-Gaussian, Gaussian-Gamma

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{z}) \propto \exp \left[ \sum_j \phi(f_j|z_j) \right] \text{ and } p(\mathbf{z}) \propto \exp \left[ \sum_j \phi(z_j) \right]$$

with different choices for  $\phi(f_j|z_j)$  and  $p\phi(z_j)$

# Bayesian inference as Hierarchical models

Simple case:



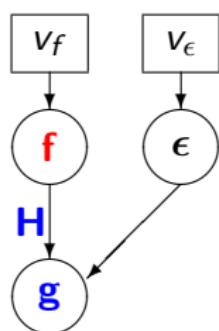
$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

$$p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}, \theta) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \theta_1) p(\mathbf{f}|\theta_2)$$

– Objective: Infer  $\mathbf{f}$

– MAP:  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \{p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}, \theta)\}$

– Posterior Mean (PM):  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \int \mathbf{f} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}, \theta) d\mathbf{f}$



Example: Gaussian case:

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \theta_1) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, \theta_1 \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\theta_2) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|0, \theta_2 \mathbf{I}) \end{cases} \rightarrow p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}, \theta) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\Sigma})$$

– MAP:  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f})\}$  with  
 $J(\mathbf{f}) = \frac{1}{v_\epsilon} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \frac{1}{v_f} \|\mathbf{f}\|^2$

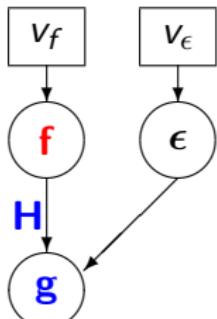
– Posterior Mean (PM)=MAP:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{g} \\ \hat{\Sigma} = (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \end{cases} \text{ with } \lambda = \frac{v_\epsilon}{v_f}.$$

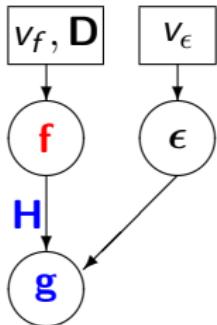
# Gaussian model: Simple separable and Markovian

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

Separable Gaussian



Gauss-Markov



$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \theta_1) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, v_\epsilon \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|v_f) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|0, \theta_2 \mathbf{I}) \end{cases} \xrightarrow{} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{g}, \theta) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\Sigma})$$

– MAP:  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{f}} \{J(\mathbf{f})\}$  with

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \frac{1}{v_\epsilon} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \frac{1}{v_f} \|\mathbf{f}\|^2$$

– Posterior Mean (PM)=MAP:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{g} \\ \hat{\Sigma} = v_\epsilon (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{I})^{-1} \end{cases} \text{ with } \lambda = \frac{v_\epsilon}{v_f}.$$

Markovian case:

$$p(\mathbf{f}|v_f, \mathbf{D}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|0, v_f (\mathbf{D} \mathbf{D}^t)^{-1})$$

$$- \text{MAP: } J(\mathbf{f}) = \frac{1}{v_\epsilon} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \frac{1}{v_f} \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2$$

– Posterior Mean (PM)=MAP:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{D}^t \mathbf{D})^{-1} \mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{g} \\ \hat{\Sigma} = v_\epsilon (\mathbf{H}^t \mathbf{H} + \lambda \mathbf{D}^t \mathbf{D})^{-1} \end{cases} \text{ with } \lambda = \frac{v_\epsilon}{v_f}.$$

# Bayesian inference (Unsupervised case)

Unsupervised case: Hyper parameter estimation

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

– Objective: Infer  $(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$

$$\text{JMAP: } (\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})\}$$

– Marginalization 1:

$$p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{g}) = \int p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) d\boldsymbol{\theta}$$

– Marginalization 2:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) = \int p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) d\mathbf{f} \text{ followed by:}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \{p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})\} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{g}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \right\}$$

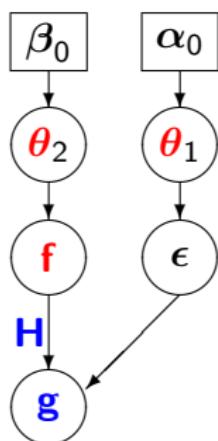
– MCMC Gibbs sampling:

$$\mathbf{f} \sim p(\mathbf{f} | \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g}) \rightarrow \boldsymbol{\theta} \sim p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}) \text{ until convergence}$$

Use samples generated to compute mean and variances

– VBA: Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

Use  $q_1(\mathbf{f})$  to infer  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  to infer  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$



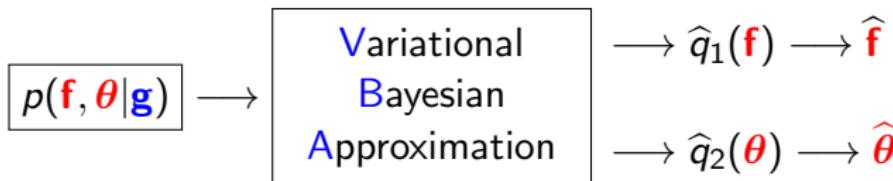
# Variational Bayesian Approximation

- ▶ Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) = q_1(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{g}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  and then continue computations.
- ▶ Criterion  $\text{KL}(q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) : p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}))$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{KL}(q : p) &= \iint q \ln q / p = \iint q_1 q_2 \ln \frac{q_1 q_2}{p} = \\ &\int q_1 \ln q_1 + \int q_2 \ln q_2 - \iint q \ln p = -H(q_1) - H(q_2) - \langle \ln p \rangle_q\end{aligned}$$

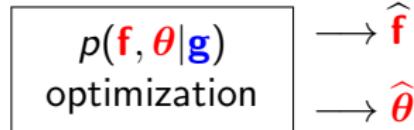
- ▶ Alternate optimization algorithm  $q_1 \rightarrow q_2 \rightarrow q_1 \rightarrow q_2, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} q_1(\mathbf{f}) & \propto \exp \left[ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right] \\ q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & \propto \exp \left[ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{q_1(\mathbf{f})} \right] \end{cases}$$

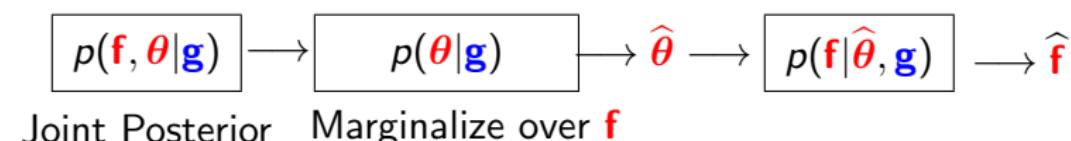


# JMAP, Marginalization, VBA

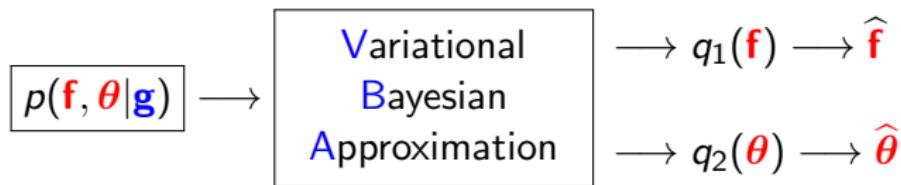
- ▶ JMAP:



- ▶ Marginalization



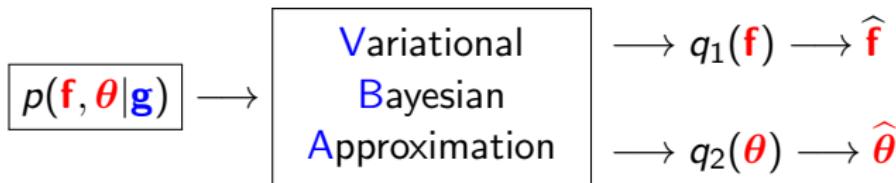
- ▶ Variational Bayesian Approximation



# Variational Bayesian Approximation

- ▶ Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  and then use them for any inferences on  $\mathbf{f}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  respectively.
- ▶ Criterion  $\text{KL}(q(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) : p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}))$   
$$\text{KL}(q : p) = \int \int q \ln \frac{q}{p} = \int \int q_1 q_2 \ln \frac{q_1 q_2}{p}$$
- ▶ Iterative algorithm  $q_1 \rightarrow q_2 \rightarrow q_1 \rightarrow q_2, \dots$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{q}_1(\mathbf{f}) & \propto \exp \left[ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{\hat{q}_2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \right] \\ \hat{q}_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) & \propto \exp \left[ \langle \ln p(\mathbf{g}, \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{\hat{q}_1(\mathbf{f})} \right] \end{cases}$$



## BVA: Choice of family of laws $q_1$ and $q_2$

- Case 1 :  $\rightarrow$  Joint MAP

$$\begin{cases} \hat{q}_1(\mathbf{f}|\tilde{\mathbf{f}}) = \delta(\mathbf{f} - \tilde{\mathbf{f}}) \\ \hat{q}_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \delta(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{\mathbf{f}} = \arg \max_{\mathbf{f}} \left\{ p(\mathbf{f}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} | \mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) \right\} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\{ p(\tilde{\mathbf{f}}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) \right\} \end{cases}$$

- Case 2 :  $\rightarrow$  EM

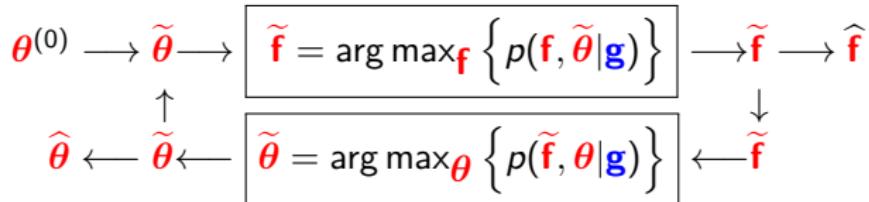
$$\begin{cases} \hat{q}_1(\mathbf{f}) \propto p(\mathbf{f} | \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g}) \\ \hat{q}_2(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \delta(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = \langle \ln p(\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) \rangle_{q_1(\mathbf{f} | \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}})} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \arg \max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left\{ Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) \right\} \end{cases}$$

- Appropriate choice for inverse problems with Exponential families and Conjugate priors

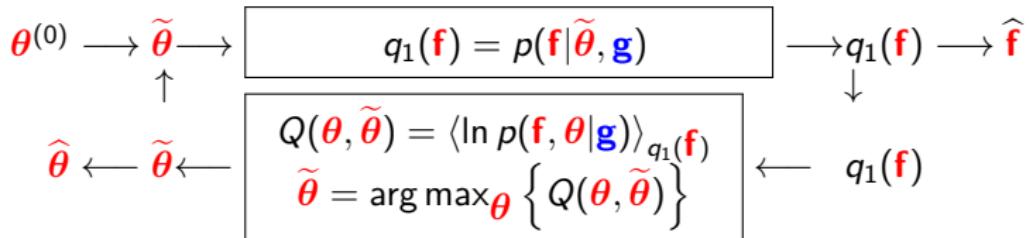
$$\begin{cases} \hat{q}_1(\mathbf{f}) \propto p(\mathbf{f} | \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) \\ \hat{q}_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \propto p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \tilde{\mathbf{f}}, \mathbf{g}; \mathcal{M}) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \text{Accounts for the uncertainties of} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \text{ for } \hat{\mathbf{f}} \text{ and vice versa.} \end{cases}$$

# JMAP, EM and VBA

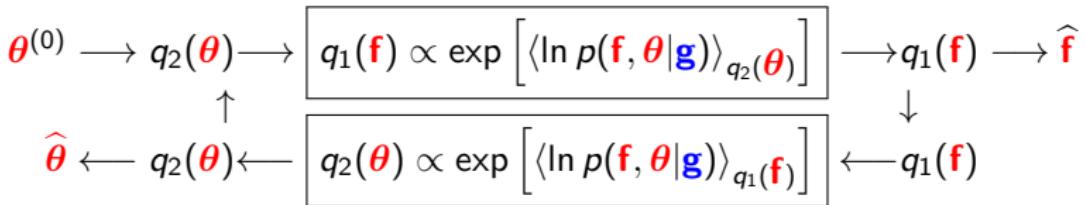
JMAP Alternate optimization Algorithm:



EM:



VBA:



# Unsupervised Gaussian model

Unsupervised Gaussian case:  $\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}|0, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon \mathbf{I})$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|0, \mathbf{v}_f \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon | \alpha_{\epsilon_0}, \beta_{\epsilon_0}) \\ p(\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_f | \alpha_{f_0}, \beta_{f_0}) \end{cases}$$

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{v}_f) p(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{v}_f)$$

- JMAP:  $(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_f) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f)} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g})\}$

Alternate optimization:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \hat{\lambda}\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}'\mathbf{g} \quad \text{with } \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon}{\hat{\mathbf{v}}_f} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_\epsilon}{\tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon}, \tilde{\beta}_\epsilon = \beta_{\epsilon_0} + \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2, \tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon = \alpha_{\epsilon_0} + M/2 \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_f = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_f}{\tilde{\alpha}_f}, \tilde{\beta}_f = \beta_{f_0} + \|\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2, \tilde{\alpha}_f = \alpha_{f_0} + N/2 \end{cases}$$

- VBA: Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) q_3(\mathbf{v}_f)$

Alternate optimization:

$$\begin{cases} q_1(\mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f} | \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\Sigma}_f) \\ q_2(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon | \tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon, \tilde{\beta}_\epsilon) \\ q_3(\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_f | \tilde{\alpha}_f, \tilde{\beta}_f) \end{cases}$$

# Unsupervised Gaussian model

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{Hf} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}|0, \mathbf{V}_\epsilon \mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{Hf}, \mathbf{V}_\epsilon \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|0, \mathbf{V}_f \mathbf{I}) \end{cases}, \quad \begin{cases} p(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon|\alpha_{\epsilon_0}, \beta_{\epsilon_0}) \\ p(\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_f|\alpha_{f_0}, \beta_{f_0}) \end{cases}$$

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{v}_f) p(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{v}_f)$$

- JMAP:  $(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_f) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f)} \{p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g})\}$

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \hat{\lambda}\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}'\mathbf{g} \quad \text{with } \hat{\lambda} = \frac{\mathbf{V}_\epsilon}{\mathbf{V}_f} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_\epsilon}{\tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_\epsilon = \beta_{\epsilon_0} + \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon = \alpha_{\epsilon_0} + M/2 \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_f = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_f}{\tilde{\alpha}_f}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_f = \beta_{f_0} + \|\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_f = \alpha_{f_0} + N/2 \end{cases}$$

- VBA: Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_f | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) q_3(\mathbf{v}_f)$

$$\begin{cases} q_1(\mathbf{f}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{\Sigma}_f) \\ q_2(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon|\tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon, \tilde{\beta}_\epsilon) \\ q_3(\mathbf{v}_f) = \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}_f|\tilde{\alpha}_f, \tilde{\beta}_f) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} \tilde{\mu} = (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \tilde{\lambda}\mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{H}'\mathbf{g} \quad \text{with } \tilde{\lambda} = \frac{\mathbf{V}_\epsilon}{\mathbf{V}_f} \\ \tilde{\Sigma} = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon (\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} + \tilde{\lambda}\mathbf{I})^{-1} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_\epsilon = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_\epsilon}{\tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_\epsilon = \beta_{\epsilon_0} + <\|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2>, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_\epsilon = \alpha_{\epsilon_0} + \frac{M}{2} \\ \hat{\mathbf{v}}_f = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_f}{\tilde{\alpha}_f}, \quad \tilde{\beta}_f = \beta_{f_0} + <\|\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2>, \quad \tilde{\alpha}_f = \alpha_{f_0} + \frac{N}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$<\|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2> = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\tilde{\mu}\|^2 + \mathbf{H}\text{diag}[\tilde{\Sigma}] \mathbf{H}^t, \quad <\|\hat{\mathbf{f}}\|^2> = \|\tilde{\mu}\|^2 + \text{diag}[\tilde{\Sigma}]$$

## Sparsity enforcing models

- ▶ Student-t model

$$St(f|\nu) \propto \exp \left[ -\frac{\nu+1}{2} \log (1 + f^2/\nu) \right]$$

- ▶ Infinite Gaussian Scaled Mixture (IGSM) equivalence

$$St(f|\nu) \propto \int_0^\infty \mathcal{N}(f|0, 1/\textcolor{red}{z}) \mathcal{G}(\textcolor{red}{z}|\alpha, \beta) dz, \quad \text{with } \alpha = \beta = \nu/2$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{z}) &= \prod_j p(f_j|\textcolor{red}{z}_j) = \prod_j \mathcal{N}(f_j|0, 1/\textcolor{red}{z}_j) \propto \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j \textcolor{red}{z}_j f_j^2 \right] \\ p(\mathbf{z}|\alpha, \beta) &= \prod_j \mathcal{G}(\textcolor{red}{z}_j|\alpha, \beta) \propto \prod_j \textcolor{red}{z}_j^{(\alpha-1)} \exp[-\beta \textcolor{red}{z}_j] \\ &\propto \exp \left[ \sum_j (\alpha-1) \ln \textcolor{red}{z}_j - \beta \textcolor{red}{z}_j \right] \\ p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}|\alpha, \beta) &\propto \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_j \textcolor{red}{z}_j f_j^2 + (\alpha-1) \ln \textcolor{red}{z}_j - \beta \textcolor{red}{z}_j \right] \end{cases}$$

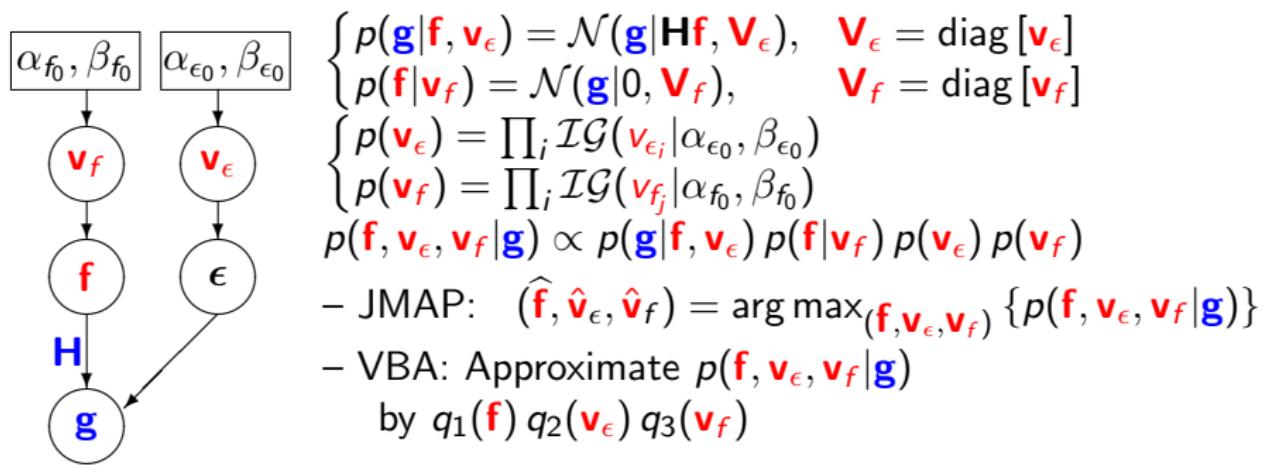
# Non stationary noise and Integrated Gaussian Scaled Mixture (IGSM) model

- Non stationary noise:

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{Hf} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i | 0, \mathbf{v}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i}) \rightarrow \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon} | 0, \mathbf{V}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} = \text{diag} [\mathbf{v}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}M}])$$

- Student-t prior model and its equivalent IGSM :

$$f_j | v_{f_j} \sim \mathcal{N}(f_j | 0, v_{f_j}) \text{ and } v_{f_j} \sim \mathcal{IG}(v_{f_j} | \alpha_{f_0}, \beta_{f_0}) \rightarrow f_j \sim \mathcal{St}(f_j | \alpha_{f_0}, \beta_{f_0})$$



## Sparse model in a Transform domain 1

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{z}, \quad \mathbf{z} \text{ sparse}$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{z}, \nu_{\epsilon}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}, \nu_{\epsilon}\mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{v}_z) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}|0, \mathbf{V}_z), \quad \mathbf{V}_z = \text{diag}[\mathbf{v}_z] \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} p(\textcolor{red}{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\textcolor{red}{v}_\epsilon | \alpha_{\epsilon_0}, \beta_{\epsilon_0}) \\ p(\textcolor{red}{v}_z) = \prod_i \mathcal{IG}(\textcolor{red}{v}_{zi} | \alpha_{z_0}, \beta_{z_0}) \end{cases}$$

$$p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_z, \mathbf{v}_\xi | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{v}_z) p(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{v}_z) p(\mathbf{v}_\xi)$$

= JMAP:

$$(\hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{v}_\epsilon, \hat{v}_z) = \arg \max_{(\mathbf{z}, v_\epsilon, v_z)} \{p(\mathbf{z}, v_\epsilon, v_z | \mathbf{g})\}$$

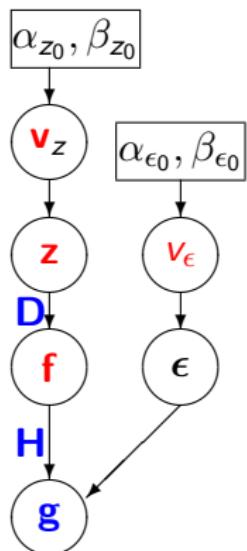
### Alternate optimization:

$$\begin{cases} \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \{J(\mathbf{z})\} \text{ with:} \\ J(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{2\hat{\mathbf{V}}_\epsilon} \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{z}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{V}_z^{-1/2}\mathbf{z}\|^2 \\ \hat{\mathbf{V}}_{z_j} = \frac{\beta_{z_0} + \hat{\mathbf{z}}_j^2}{\alpha_{z_0} + 1/2} \\ \hat{\mathbf{V}}_\epsilon = \frac{\beta_{\epsilon_0} + \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{D}\hat{\mathbf{z}}\|^2}{\alpha_{\epsilon_0} + M/2} \end{cases}$$

#### – VBA: Approximate

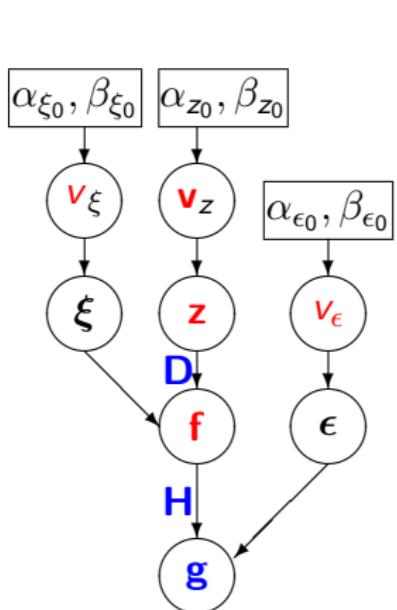
$p(\mathbf{z}, \mathbf{v}_\epsilon, \mathbf{v}_z, \mathbf{v}_\xi | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q_1(\mathbf{z}) q_2(\mathbf{v}_\epsilon) q_3(\mathbf{v}_z)$

### Alternate optimization.



## Sparse model in a Transform domain 2

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \mathbf{f} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\xi}, \quad \mathbf{z} \text{ sparse}$$



$$\begin{cases} p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, v_\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, v_\epsilon \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|z) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{z}, v_\xi \mathbf{I}), \\ p(z|v_z) = \mathcal{N}(z|0, \mathbf{V}_z), \quad \mathbf{V}_z = \text{diag}[v_z] \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} p(v_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(v_\epsilon|\alpha_{\epsilon_0}, \beta_{\epsilon_0}) \\ p(v_z) = \prod_i \mathcal{IG}(v_{zj}|\alpha_{z_0}, \beta_{z_0}) \\ p(v_\xi) = \mathcal{IG}(v_\xi|\alpha_{\xi_0}, \beta_{\xi_0}) \end{cases}$$

$$p(\mathbf{f}, z, v_\epsilon, v_z, v_\xi | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, v_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{f}|z_f) p(z|v_z) p(v_\epsilon) p(v_z) p(v_\xi)$$

- JMAP:

$$(\hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{v}_\epsilon, \hat{v}_z, \hat{v}_\xi) = \underset{(\mathbf{f}, z, v_\epsilon, v_z, v_\xi)}{\arg \max} \{p(\mathbf{f}, z, v_\epsilon, v_z, v_\xi | \mathbf{g})\}$$

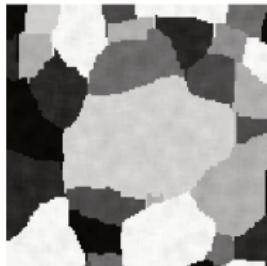
Alternate optimization.

- VBA: Approximate

$$p(\mathbf{f}, z, v_\epsilon, v_z, v_\xi | \mathbf{g}) \text{ by } q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(z) q_3(v_\epsilon) q_4(v_z) q_5(v_\xi)$$

Alternate optimization.

# Gauss-Markov-Potts prior models for images

 $f(\mathbf{r})$  $z(\mathbf{r})$ 

$$c(\mathbf{r}) = 1 - \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}'))$$

$$p(f(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}) = k, m_k, v_k) = \mathcal{N}(m_k, v_k)$$

$$p(f(\mathbf{r})) = \sum_k P(z(\mathbf{r}) = k) \mathcal{N}(m_k, v_k) \text{ Mixture of Gaussians}$$

- ▶ Separable iid hidden variables:  $p(\mathbf{z}) = \prod_{\mathbf{r}} p(z(\mathbf{r}))$
- ▶ Markovian hidden variables:  $p(\mathbf{z})$  Potts-Markov:

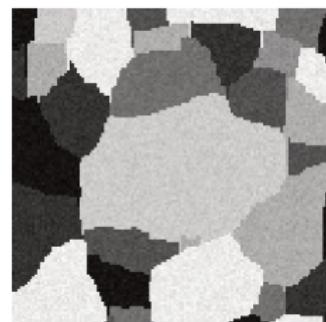
$$p(z(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}'), \mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})) \propto \exp \left[ \gamma \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})} \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) \right]$$
$$p(\mathbf{z}) \propto \exp \left[ \gamma \sum_{\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{R}} \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{V}(\mathbf{r})} \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) \right]$$

## Four different cases

To each pixel of the image is associated 2 variables  $f(\mathbf{r})$  and  $z(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Gaussian iid,  $z$  iid :

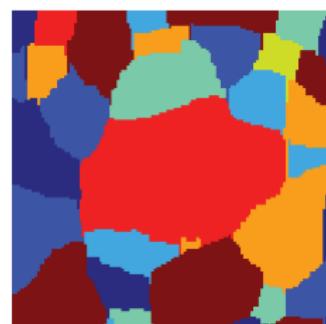
Mixture of Gaussians



$f(\mathbf{r})$

- ▶  $f|z$  Gauss-Markov,  $z$  iid :

Mixture of Gauss-Markov



$z(\mathbf{r})$

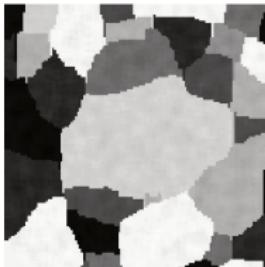
- ▶  $f|z$  Gaussian iid,  $z$  Potts-Markov :

Mixture of Independent Gaussians  
(MIG with Hidden Potts)

- ▶  $f|z$  Markov,  $z$  Potts-Markov :

Mixture of Gauss-Markov  
(MGM with hidden Potts)

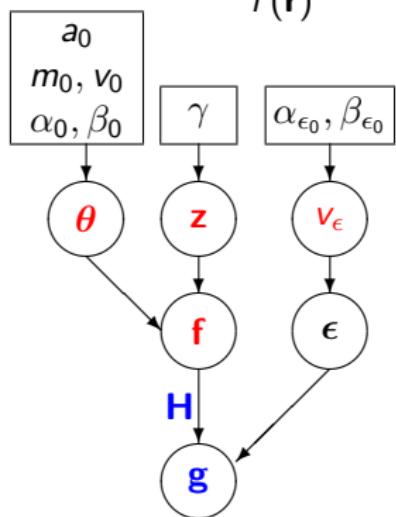
# Gauss-Markov-Potts prior models for images



$f(\mathbf{r})$

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$$c(\mathbf{r}) = 1 - \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}'))$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{v}_\epsilon \mathbf{I}) \\ p(\boldsymbol{v}_\epsilon) = \mathcal{IG}(\boldsymbol{v}_\epsilon | \alpha_{\epsilon_0}, \beta_{\epsilon_0}) \\ p(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{r})|z(\mathbf{r}) = k, m_k, v_k) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{r})|m_k, v_k) \\ p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sum_k \prod_{\mathbf{r} \in \mathcal{R}_k} a_k \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{r})|m_k, v_k), \\ \quad \boldsymbol{\theta} = \{(a_k, m_k, v_k), k = 1, \dots, K\} \\ p(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = D(\mathbf{a}|a_0) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{a}|m_0, v_0) \mathcal{IG}(\mathbf{v}|\alpha_0, \beta_0) \\ p(\mathbf{z}|\gamma) \propto \exp \left[ \gamma \sum_{\mathbf{r}} \sum_{\mathbf{r}' \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{r})} \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) \right] \text{ Potts MRF} \\ p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g}|\mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{v}_\epsilon) p(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{z}|\gamma) \end{array} \right.$$

MCMC: Gibbs Sampling

VBA: Alternate optimization.

# Bayesian Computation and Algorithms

- ▶ Joint posterior probability law of all the unknowns  $\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\mathbf{z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_3) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- ▶ Often, the expression of  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  is complex.
- ▶ Its optimization (for Joint MAP) or its marginalization or integration (for Marginal MAP or PM) is not easy
- ▶ Two main techniques:
  - ▶ MCMC:  
Needs the expressions of the conditionals  
 $p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g})$ ,  $p(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{g})$ , and  $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{g})$
  - ▶ VBA: Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by a separable one

$$q(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) = q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\mathbf{z}) q_3(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

and do any computations with these separable ones.

## MCMC based algorithm

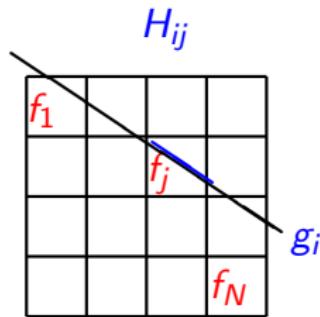
$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\mathbf{z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_3) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

General Gibbs sampling scheme:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{f}} \sim p(\mathbf{f} | \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \widehat{\mathbf{z}} \sim p(\mathbf{z} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sim (\boldsymbol{\theta} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g})$$

- ▶ Generate samples  $\mathbf{f}$  using  $p(\mathbf{f} | \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{f} | \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$   
When Gaussian, can be done via optimization of a quadratic criterion.
- ▶ Generate samples  $\mathbf{z}$  using  $p(\mathbf{z} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) p(\mathbf{z})$   
Often needs sampling (hidden discrete variable)
- ▶ Generate samples  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  using  
 $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \widehat{\mathbf{f}}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) p(\widehat{\mathbf{f}} | \widehat{\mathbf{z}}, (m_k, v_k)) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$   
Use of Conjugate priors  $\longrightarrow$  analytical expressions.
- ▶ After convergence use samples to compute means and variances.

# Computed Tomography with only two projections



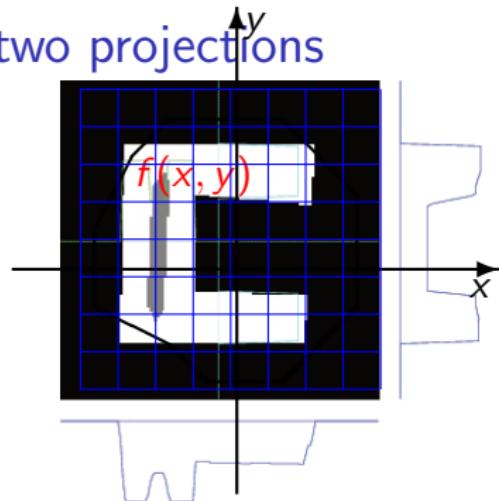
$$g(r, \phi) = \int_L f(x, y) \, dl$$

$$f(x, y) = \sum_j f_j b_j(x, y)$$

$$b_j(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x, y) \in \text{ pixel } j \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$g_i = \sum_{j=1}^N H_{ij} f_j + \epsilon_i$$

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$



Case study: Reconstruction from 2 projections

$$g_1(x) = \int f(x, y) \, dy,$$

$$g_2(y) = \int f(x, y) \, dx$$

Very ill-posed inverse problem

$$f(x, y) = g_1(x) g_2(y) \Omega(x, y)$$

$\Omega(x, y)$  is a Copula:

$$\int \Omega(x, y) \, dx = 1$$

$$\int \Omega(x, y) \, dy = 1$$

## Simple example

$$\begin{array}{c|cc|c} \boxed{1} & \boxed{3} & 4 \\ \boxed{2} & \boxed{4} & 6 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} ? & ? & 4 \\ ? & ? & 6 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} f_1 & f_3 & g_3 \\ f_2 & f_4 & g_4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array}$$
$$\begin{array}{cc} 3 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{cc} g_1 & g_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}$$
$$\left[ \begin{array}{c} g_1 \\ g_2 \\ g_3 \\ g_4 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ f_3 \\ f_4 \end{array} \right] \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} f_1 & f_4 & f_7 \\ f_2 & f_5 & f_8 \\ f_3 & f_6 & f_9 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c|cc|c} g_4 \\ g_5 \\ g_6 \\ g_1 \\ g_2 \\ g_3 \end{array}$$

- ▶  $\mathbf{Hf} = \mathbf{g} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{H}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$  if  $\mathbf{H}$  invertible.
- ▶  $\mathbf{H}$  is rank deficient:  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}) = 3$
- ▶ Problem has infinite number of solutions.
- ▶ How to find all those solutions ?
- ▶ Which one is the good one? Needs prior information.
- ▶ To find an unique solution, one needs either more data or prior information.

# Application in CT: Reconstruction from 2 projections



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f} & \\ \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f} + \epsilon & \\ \mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) & \\ \text{Gaussian} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z} & \\ \text{iid Gaussian} & \\ \text{or} & \\ \text{Gauss-Markov} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z} & \\ \text{iid} & \\ \text{or} & \\ \text{Potts} & \\ \mathbf{c} & \\ q(\mathbf{r}) \in \{0, 1\} & \\ 1 - \delta(z(\mathbf{r}) - z(\mathbf{r}')) & \\ \text{binary} & \end{aligned}$$

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\mathbf{z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_3) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# Proposed algorithms

$$p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_1) p(\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_2) p(\mathbf{z} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_3) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

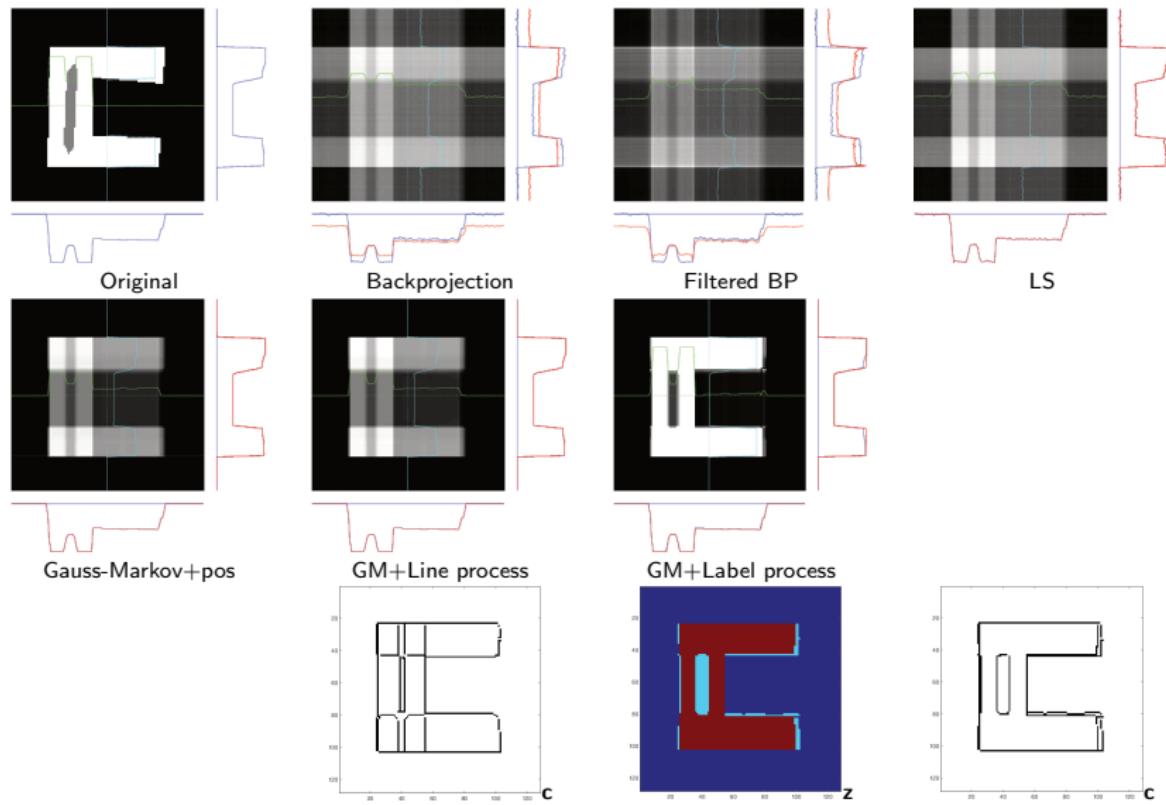
- MCMC based general scheme:

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} \sim p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \hat{\mathbf{z}} \sim p(\mathbf{z} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \longrightarrow \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \sim (\boldsymbol{\theta} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g})$$

Iterative algorithm:

- ▶ Estimate  $\mathbf{f}$  using  $p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{f} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})$   
Needs optimization of a quadratic criterion.
  - ▶ Estimate  $\mathbf{z}$  using  $p(\mathbf{z} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) p(\mathbf{z})$   
Needs sampling of a Potts Markov field.
  - ▶ Estimate  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  using  
 $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \hat{\mathbf{z}}, \mathbf{g}) \propto p(\mathbf{g} | \hat{\mathbf{f}}, \sigma_\epsilon^2 \mathbf{I}) p(\hat{\mathbf{f}} | \hat{\mathbf{z}}, (m_k, v_k)) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$   
Conjugate priors → analytical expressions.
- Variational Bayesian Approximation
    - ▶ Approximate  $p(\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{g})$  by  $q_1(\mathbf{f}) q_2(\mathbf{z}) q_3(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

# Results



## Implementation issues

- ▶ In almost all the algorithms, the step of computation of  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  needs an optimization algorithm.
- ▶ The criterion to optimize is often in the form of

$$J(\mathbf{f}) = \|\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}\|^2$$

- ▶ Very often, we use the gradient based algorithms which need to compute

$$\nabla J(\mathbf{f}) = -2\mathbf{H}^t(\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{f}) + 2\lambda\mathbf{D}^t\mathbf{D}\mathbf{f}$$

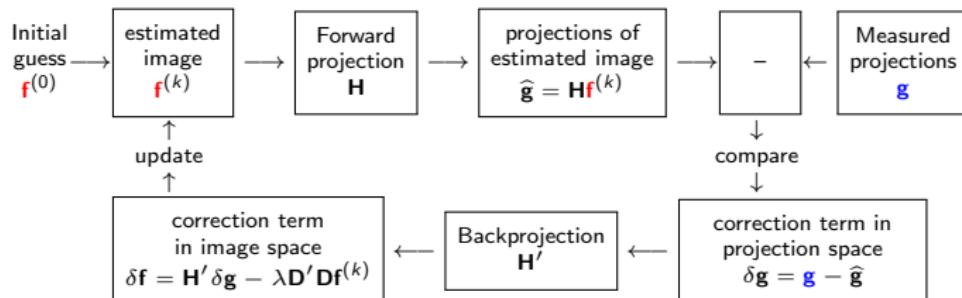
- ▶ So, for the simplest case, in each step, we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k+1)} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} + \alpha^{(k)} \left[ \mathbf{H}^t(\mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)}) + 2\lambda\mathbf{D}^t\mathbf{D}\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} \right]$$

## Gradient based algorithms

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k+1)} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} + \alpha \left[ \mathbf{H}' \left( \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} \right) - \lambda \mathbf{D}' \mathbf{D}\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} \right]$$

1. Compute  $\hat{\mathbf{g}} = \mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  (Forward projection)
2. Compute  $\delta\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g} - \hat{\mathbf{g}}$  (Error or residual)
3. Compute  $\delta\mathbf{f}_1 = \mathbf{H}'\delta\mathbf{g}$  (Backprojection of error)
4. Compute  $\delta\mathbf{f}_2 = -\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D}\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  (Correction due to regularization)
5. Update  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k+1)} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}^{(k)} + [\delta\mathbf{f}_1 + \delta\mathbf{f}_2]$



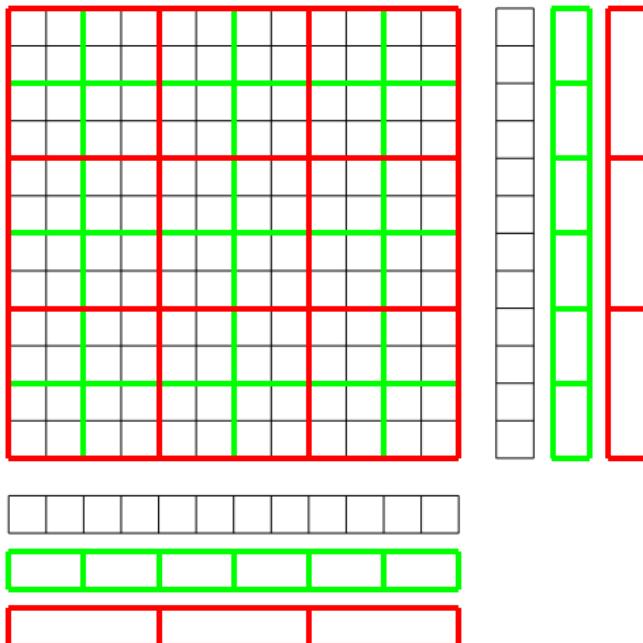
- ▶ Steps 1 and 3 need great computational cost and have been implemented on GPU.

# Multi-Resolution Implementation

Sacle 1: black     $\mathbf{g}^{(1)} = \mathbf{H}^{(1)}\mathbf{f}^{(1)}$     ( $N \times N$ )

Sacle 2: green     $\mathbf{g}^{(2)} = \mathbf{H}^{(2)}\mathbf{f}^{(2)}$     ( $N/2 \times N/2$ )

Sacle 3: red     $\mathbf{g}^{(3)} = \mathbf{H}^{(3)}\mathbf{f}^{(3)}$     ( $N/4 \times N/4$ )



# Conclusions

- ▶ Computed Tomography is an Inverse problem
- ▶ Analytical methods have many limitations
- ▶ Algebraic methods push further these limitations
- ▶ Deterministic Regularization methods push still further the limitations of ill-conditioning.
- ▶ Probabilistic and in particular the **Bayesian approach** has many potentials
- ▶ **Hierarchical prior model with hidden variables** are very powerful tools for Bayesian approach to inverse problems.
- ▶ **Gauss-Markov-Potts models** for images incorporating hidden regions and contours
- ▶ Main Bayesian computation tools: **JMAP, MCMC and VBA**
- ▶ Application in different imaging system (X ray CT, Microwaves, PET, Ultrasound, Optical Diffusion Tomography (ODT), Acoustic source localization,...)
- ▶ Current Projects: Efficient implementation in 2D and 3D cases