CS/MVA Large Scale and Distributed Optimization Presentation

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Optimization ?

Whatever people do, at some point they get a craving to organize things in a best possible way. This intention, converted in a mathematical form, turns out to be an optimization problem of certain type.

(Yurii Nesterov)



Goal of this course

► Introduce the theoretical background to develop efficient algorithms to successfully address large scale optimization problems by taking advantage of modern multicore or distributed computing architectures.

Outline:

- Background on convex analysis
 Convexity / Conjugate function / Subdifferential / Proximity operator
- Parallel and distributed proximal splitting methods
 Fixed point algorithms / Primal-dual methods / Distributed
 optimization
- Parallelization through Majorization-Minimization approaches MM methods / Variable metric and subspace acceleration / Parallel algorithms

Lab sessions (in Python environment)

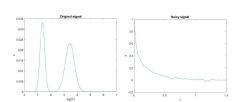


Image denoising



$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.2114\\ 0.6331\\ 0.6331\\ 0.5182\\ 0.9337\\ 0.0035 \end{bmatrix}$$

Database request processing



Biochemical signal restoration



Medical imaging

Course schedule and evaluation

Instructors: Emilie CHOUZENOUX and Samy FERRAT (TA), from CVN, CentraleSupélec and Inria Saclay.

Schedule:

- ► The course consists of seven sessions (3h each) combining lectures and labs (in Python environment).
- ▶ 9.45am-1.15pm, in CentraleSupélec campus

Evaluation:

- 2 labs reports (Python notebooks)
- Exam (2 hours) in January

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Detailed schedule

- 1. 17/10/2025 9h45-13h sd.201 sd.203, Bouygues **Lecture**
- 2. 24/10/2025 9h45-13h15 MF.101, Eiffel **Exercises**
- 3. 07/11/2025 9h45-13h15 sd.201 sd.203, Bouygues Lecture
- 4. 14/11/2025 9h45-13h15 sd.201 sd.203, Bouygues **Lecture** + **Lab**
- 5. 05/12/2025 9h45-13h15 TBA, Bouygues **Lab**
- 6. 12/12/2025 9h45-13h15 TBA **Lecture**
- 7. 19/12/2025 10h-13h15 TBA **Lab**
- 8. 09/01/2026 9h45-11h45 TBA **Exam**