

OPTIMAL RECOVERY OF THE WAVE EQUATION SOLUTION BY INACCURATE INPUT DATA

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ABSTRACT. In this paper the problem of optimal recovery of the wave equation solution by inaccurate values of Fourier coefficients of a function defined the initial form of the string is considered. A solution of more general problem of recovery of operator defined on a weighted space of vectors from l_2 by inaccurate values of its coordinates is given.

1. STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM

Consider the wave equation with zero boundary conditions and the initial velocity equals zero

$$(1) \quad \begin{aligned} u_{tt} &= u_{xx}, \\ u(0, t) &= u(\pi, t) = 0, \\ u(x, 0) &= f(x), \\ u_t(x, 0) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

It is known that the precise solution of this problem has the following form

$$(2) \quad u(x, t) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j(f) \cos jt \sin jx,$$

where

$$a_j(f) = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f(x) \sin jx \, dx$$

are the Fourier coefficients of $f(x)$.

Assume that $f(\cdot) \in W_2^n([0, \pi])$, where

$$W_2^n([0, \pi]) = \{ f(\cdot) \in L_2([0, \pi]) : f^{(n-1)}(\cdot) \text{ abs. cont. on } [0, \pi],$$

$$\|f^{(n)}(\cdot)\|_{L_2([0, \pi])} \leq 1 \},$$

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and

$$\|g(\cdot)\|_{L_2([0,\pi])} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\pi |g(x)|^2 dx}.$$

We assume that we know inaccurate values of the first N Fourier coefficients of $f(\cdot)$, y_1, \dots, y_N , moreover

$$(3) \quad \sum_{j=1}^N |a_j(f) - y_j|^2 \leq \delta^2, \quad \delta > 0.$$

We state the problem of finding of an optimal recovery method for the solution of problem (1) at the time T on the class $W_2^n([0, \pi])$ by the information operator F_δ^N which associates with every function $f(\cdot) \in W_2^n([0, \pi])$ a vector $y = (y_1, \dots, y_N)$ satisfying condition (3).

Any operators $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow L_2([0, \pi])$ are admitted as recovery methods. The quantity

$$\begin{aligned} e(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N, \varphi) \\ = \sup_{\substack{f(\cdot) \in W_2^n([0, \pi]), y=(y_1, \dots, y_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N \\ \sum_{j=1}^N |a_j(f) - y_j|^2 \leq \delta^2}} \|u(\cdot, T) - \varphi(y)(\cdot)\|_{L_2([0, \pi])} \end{aligned}$$

is called the *error* of the method φ . The quantity

$$E(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N) = \inf_{\varphi: \mathbb{R}^N \rightarrow L_2([0, \pi])} e(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N, \varphi)$$

is called the *error of optimal recovery*, and a method delivering the lower bound is called *optimal recovery method*.

The idea of solution of the stated problem is based on the method of optimal recovery of linear operators developed in the papers [1] and [2] (see also [3]). The essential part of this method is reduction of the original problem to a minimization problem with constraints which in the present case is reducing to a problem of linear programming which can be exactly solved by the Lagrange principle of constraints removing.

Now consider a more general problem of optimal recovery to which the stated problem can be reduced. Let the operator $Q: X \rightarrow l_2$ be defined by the equality

$$Qx = (\eta_1 x_1, \eta_2 x_2, \dots), \quad j \in \mathbb{N},$$

where $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in X$, and

$$X = \left\{ x = (x_1, x_2, \dots) : \|x\|_X = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j |x_j|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty \right\},$$

$\nu_j > 0$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Set $\mu_j = \eta_j^2$ and assume that $\mu_j/\nu_j \rightarrow 0$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. Then for all $x \in X$, $Qx \in l_2$. We are interested in the problem of optimal recovery of the operator Q by inaccurate values of the first N components x_1, \dots, x_N .

A series problems of optimal recovery of derivatives [1] and solutions of partial differential equations [4], [5] are reduced to the problems of such kind. In the cited papers the sequence $\{\mu_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ was monotonic which made significantly easy to obtain an optimal recovery method. In this paper we consider the case when the sequence $\{\mu_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ has less restrictive conditions.

We now proceed to the accurate statement of the problem. Put

$$W = \{x \in X : \|x\|_X \leq 1\}.$$

We assume that for every $x \in W$ we know a vector $y = (y_1, \dots, y_N)$ such that

$$\|I_N x - y\|_{l_2^N} = \left(\sum_{j=1}^N |x_j - y_j|^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \delta$$

(here $I_N x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$). Any map $\varphi: l_2^N \rightarrow l_2$ is admitted as a recovery method. For a given method φ the error of recovery is defined by the equality

$$e(Q, W, I_N, \delta, \varphi) = \sup_{\substack{x \in W, y \in l_2^N \\ \|I_N x - y\|_{l_2^N} \leq \delta}} \|Qx - \varphi(y)\|_{l_2}.$$

The quantity

$$E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \inf_{\varphi: l_2^N \rightarrow l_2} e(Q, W, I_N, \delta, \varphi)$$

is called the error of optimal recovery, and a method delivering the lower bound is called optimal recovery method of the operator Q on the class W by the information I_N given with the error in the l_2^N norm.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Assume that $\nu_1 < \dots < \nu_N$, $\nu_{N+1} < \nu_{N+2} < \dots$, and $\lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} \mu_j/\nu_j = 0$. Denote by e_j , $j = 1, 2, \dots$, the standard basis in l_2

$$(e_j)_k = \begin{cases} 1, & k = j, \\ 0, & k \neq j, \end{cases} \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

We introduce the following notation

$$A = \max_{1 \leq j \leq N} \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j}, \quad B = \max_{j > N} \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j}.$$

Let $1 \leq p \leq N$, $q > N$, and $p \leq r \leq N$ be such that

$$\frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p} = A, \quad \frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q} = B, \quad \mu_r - B\nu_r = \max_{p \leq j \leq N} (\mu_j - B\nu_j)$$

(for uniqueness we assume that p is maximum and q with r are minimum of such numbers). Moreover, let s_{k+1} be the maximal number such that $s_k < s_{k+1} \leq r$ and

$$\frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} = \max_{s_k < j \leq r} \frac{\mu_j - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_j - \nu_{s_k}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1,$$

where $s_0 = p$, $s_m = r$. Set

$$J_k = \left\{ j \in \mathbb{N} \cap [1, N] : \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} > \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} \right\}, \quad k = 0, \dots, m-1,$$

$$J_m = \left\{ j \in \mathbb{N} \cap [1, N] : \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} > B \right\}.$$

If we plot the points (ν_j, μ_j) on the plane then the geometrical meaning of the introduced quantities can be seen from Fig. 1, where $m = 3$ and D_1 is the region where points from J_1 are lying.

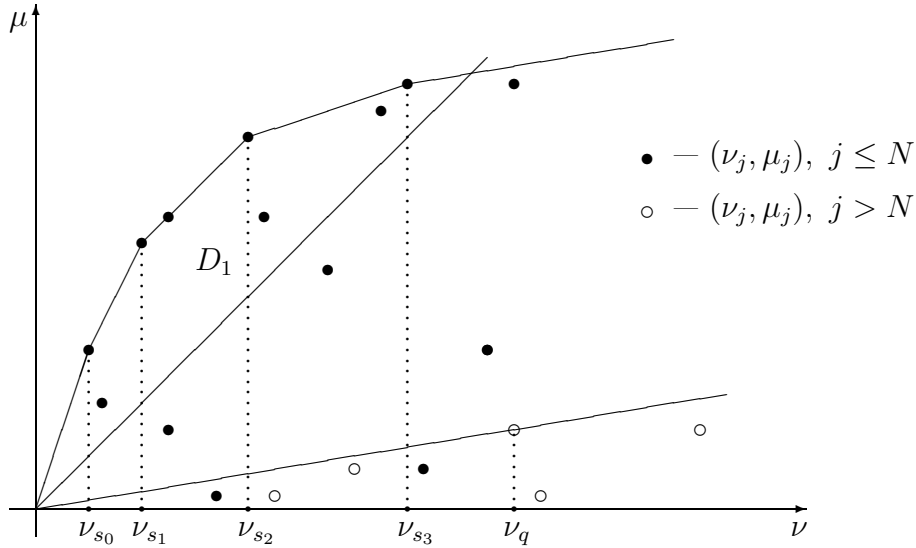


FIGURE 1.

Theorem 1. *If $B \geq A$ then for all $\delta > 0$*

$$E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q}},$$

and the method $\hat{\varphi}(y) = 0$ is optimal. If $B < A$ then

(i) for $\delta \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_p}}$

$$E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \sqrt{\frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p}},$$

and the method $\widehat{\varphi}(y) = 0$ is optimal;

(ii) for $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_{k+1}}}} \leq \delta < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_k}}}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$,

$$E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \sqrt{\mu_{s_k} \frac{\nu_{s_{k+1}} \delta^2 - 1}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} + \mu_{s_{k+1}} \frac{1 - \delta^2 \nu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}},$$

and the method

$$\widehat{\varphi}(y) = \sum_{j \in J_k} \eta_j \left(1 + \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\mu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k+1}} \nu_{s_k}} \nu_j \right)^{-1} y_j e_j$$

is optimal;

(iii) for $\delta < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_r}}$

$$E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \sqrt{\mu_r \delta^2 + \mu_q \frac{1 - \delta^2 \nu_r}{\nu_q}},$$

and the method

$$\widehat{\varphi}(y) = \sum_{j \in J_m} \eta_j \left(1 + \frac{\mu_q}{\mu_r \nu_q - \mu_q \nu_r} \nu_j \right)^{-1} y_j e_j$$

is optimal.

It should be noted that for all $\delta > 0$ except the points $1/\sqrt{\nu_{s_k}}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, m$, the optimal recovery method does not change for sufficiently small variation of δ , thus it is stable with respect to the error of input data.

We return to the problem of optimal recovery of the wave equation solution. If $f(\cdot) \in W_2^n([0, \pi])$ then

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j(f) \sin jx,$$

where

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{2n} a_j^2(f) \leq 1,$$

that is $\nu_j = j^{2n}$. It follows from (2) that $\mu_j = \cos^2 jT$. In accordance with our notation

$$A = \max_{1 \leq j \leq N} \frac{\cos^2 jT}{j^{2n}} = \frac{\cos^2 pT}{p^{2n}}, \quad B = \max_{j > N} \frac{\cos^2 jT}{j^{2n}} = \frac{\cos^2 qT}{q^{2n}},$$

r is defined from the condition

$$\cos^2 rT - Br^{2n} = \max_{p \leq j \leq N} (\cos^2 jT - Bj^{2n}),$$

the sequence s_{k+1} is defined by equalities

$$\frac{\cos^2 s_{k+1}T - \cos^2 s_kT}{s_{k+1}^{2n} - s_k^{2n}} = \max_{s_k < j \leq r} \frac{\cos^2 jT - \cos^2 s_kT}{j^{2n} - s_k^{2n}}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1,$$

where $s_0 = p$, $s_m = r$, and

$$J_k = \left\{ j \in \mathbb{N} \cap [1, N] : \frac{\cos^2 jT}{j^{2n}} > \frac{\cos^2 s_{k+1}T - \cos^2 s_kT}{s_{k+1}^{2n} - s_k^{2n}} \right\}, \quad k = 0, \dots, m-1,$$

$$J_m = \left\{ j \in \mathbb{N} \cap [1, N] : \frac{\cos^2 jT}{j^{2n}} > B \right\}.$$

It follows from Theorem 1

Corollary 1. *If $B \geq A$ for all $\delta > 0$ the method*

$$u(x, T) \approx 0$$

is an optimal recovery method for the wave equation and for its error the equality

$$E(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N) = \frac{|\cos qT|}{q^n}$$

holds. If $B < A$ then

(i) *for $\delta \geq p^{-n}$*

$$E(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N) = \frac{|\cos pT|}{p^n}$$

and the method $u(x, T) \approx 0$ is optimal;

(ii) *for $s_{k+1}^{-n} \leq \delta < s_k^{-n}$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$,*

$$E(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N) = \sqrt{\frac{s_{k+1}^{2n} \delta^2 - 1}{s_{k+1}^{2n} - s_k^{2n}} \cos^2 s_k T + \frac{1 - \delta^2 s_k^{2n}}{s_{k+1}^{2n} - s_k^{2n}} \cos^2 s_{k+1} T}$$

and the method

$$u(x, T) \approx \sum_{j \in J_k} \left(1 + \frac{\cos^2 s_{k+1} T - \cos^2 s_k T}{s_{k+1}^{2n} \cos^2 s_k T - s_k^{2n} \cos^2 s_{k+1} T} j^{2n} \right)^{-1} y_j \cos jT \sin jx$$

is optimal;

(iii) for $\delta < r^{-n}$

$$E(T, W_2^n([0, \pi]), F_\delta^N) = \sqrt{\delta^2 \cos^2 rT + \frac{1 - \delta^2 r^{2n}}{q^{2n}} \cos^2 qT}$$

and the method

$$u(x, T) \approx \sum_{j \in J_m} \left(1 + \frac{\cos^2 qT}{q^{2n} \cos^2 rT - r^{2n} \cos^2 qT} j^{2n} \right)^{-1} y_j \cos jT \sin jx$$

is optimal.

3. PROOFS

We begin with a preliminary result which describes properties of the sequences $\{\mu_{s_k}\}$ and $\{\nu_{s_k}\}$.

Lemma 1. *The sequences*

$$\left\{ \frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} \right\} \text{ and } \left\{ \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} \right\}$$

are strictly monotone decreasing and for all $1 \leq j < s_k$

$$(4) \quad \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_j}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j} \geq \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Proof. We prove that the sequence $\{\mu_{s_k}/\nu_{s_k}\}$ is strictly monotone decreasing. It follows from the definition of p that for all $i \geq 1$

$$\frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p} = \frac{\mu_{s_0}}{\nu_{s_0}} > \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}}.$$

Assuming that for all $i \geq k$

$$(5) \quad \frac{\mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k-1}}} > \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}},$$

we prove that for all $i \geq k+1$

$$(6) \quad \frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} > \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}}.$$

It follows from the definition of s_k that for all $i \geq k + 1$

$$\frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} > \frac{\mu_{s_i} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_i} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Hence,

$$\mu_{s_k} \nu_{s_i} - \mu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k-1}} - \mu_{s_{k-1}} \nu_{s_i} > \mu_{s_i} \nu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}} \nu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_i} \nu_{s_{k-1}}.$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{s_k} \nu_{s_i} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} - \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}} \right) &> \nu_{s_i} \nu_{s_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k-1}}} - \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}} \right) \\ &\quad - \nu_{s_{k-1}} \nu_{s_k} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k-1}}} - \frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

In view of (5) and the fact that $\nu_{s_i} > \nu_{s_k}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \nu_{s_k} \nu_{s_i} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} - \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}} \right) &> \nu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k-1}}} - \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}} - \frac{\mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k-1}}} + \frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} \right) \\ &= \nu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k-1}} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} - \frac{\mu_{s_i}}{\nu_{s_i}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, (6) holds.

It follows from the choice of the sequence s_k that

$$\frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} < \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Hence

$$\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k-1}} < (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \frac{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k} &= (\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) - (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \\ &< (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \left(\frac{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} - 1 \right) = (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \frac{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} < \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

To prove (4), first, we show that for $s_{k-1} \leq j < s_k$

$$(7) \quad \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_j}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j} \geq \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

It follows from the definition of s_k that

$$\frac{\mu_j - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_j - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} \leq \frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Cosequently,

$$\mu_j \leq \mu_{s_{k-1}} + (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \frac{\nu_j - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{s_k} - \mu_j &\geq \mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}} - (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \frac{\nu_j - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} \\ &= (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}) \frac{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence (7) holds. Let $j < s_{k-1}$. First, we note that the sequence $\{\mu_{s_k}\}$ is monotone increasing. Indeed, if for any k , $\mu_{s_{k-1}} > \mu_{s_k}$, then

$$\frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}} < 0,$$

and in view of monotone decreasing we have

$$\frac{\mu_{s_m} - \mu_{s_{m-1}}}{\nu_{s_m} - \nu_{s_{m-1}}} < 0,$$

that is $\mu_{s_{m-1}} > \mu_{s_m} = \mu_r$. Then

$$\mu_{s_{m-1}} - B\nu_{s_{m-1}} \geq \mu_{s_{m-1}} - B\nu_r > \mu_r - B\nu_r,$$

which contradicts the definition of r . We show now that for all $i < s_k$, $\mu_i \leq \mu_{s_k}$. Let $l \leq k$ and $s_{l-1} < i < s_l$. Then $\mu_i \leq \mu_{s_l}$, since otherwise we have

$$\frac{\mu_i - \mu_{s_{l-1}}}{\nu_i - \nu_{s_{l-1}}} > \frac{\mu_{s_l} - \mu_{s_{l-1}}}{\nu_i - \nu_{s_{l-1}}} \geq \frac{\mu_{s_l} - \mu_{s_{l-1}}}{\nu_{s_l} - \nu_{s_{l-1}}},$$

which contradicts the definition of s_l . Thus, $\mu_i \leq \mu_{s_l} \leq \mu_{s_k}$. In view of $j < s_{k-1}$, by the fact proved above it follows that $\mu_j \leq \mu_{s_{k-1}}$. We have

$$\mu_{s_k} - \mu_{s_{k-1}} \leq \mu_{s_k} - \mu_j \leq (\mu_{s_k} - \mu_j) \frac{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_{s_{k-1}}}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j},$$

which yields (7). \square

Proof of Theorem 1. Consider the extremal problem

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_j |x_j|^2 \rightarrow \max, \quad \sum_{j=1}^N |x_j|^2 \leq \delta^2, \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j |x_j|^2 \leq 1.$$

Put $u_j = |x_j|^2$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$, and rewrite this problem in the following form:

$$(8) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_j u_j \rightarrow \max, \quad \sum_{j=1}^N u_j \leq \delta^2, \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j u_j \leq 1, \quad u_j \geq 0.$$

We define the Lagrange function for this problem

$$\mathcal{L}(u, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = \sum_{j=1}^N (-\mu_j \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \nu_j) u_j + \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} (-\mu_j + \lambda_2 \nu_j) u_j,$$

where $u = \{u_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$, and λ_1, λ_2 are the Lagrange multipliers.

It follows from [2] (see also [3]) that if there exist such $\hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq 0$ that for the sequence $\hat{u} = \{\hat{u}_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ admissible in (8) the conditions

$$(a) \quad \min_{u_j \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(u, \hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2) = \mathcal{L}(\hat{u}, \hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2),$$

$$(b) \quad \hat{\lambda}_1 \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \hat{u}_j - \delta^2 \right) = 0, \quad \hat{\lambda}_2 \left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j \hat{u}_j - 1 \right) = 0,$$

hold, then \hat{u} is the solution of the problem (8) and its value is equal to $\hat{\lambda}_1 \delta^2 + \hat{\lambda}_2$. Moreover, if for all $y \in l_2^N$ there exists a solution x_y of the extremal problem

$$(9) \quad \hat{\lambda}_1 \|I_N x - y\|_{l_2^N}^2 + \hat{\lambda}_2 \|x\|_X^2 \rightarrow \min, \quad x \in X,$$

then

$$(10) \quad E(Q, W, I_N, \delta) = \sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_1 \delta^2 + \hat{\lambda}_2},$$

and the method

$$\hat{\varphi}(y) = Qx_y$$

is optimal.

Problem (9) can be written in the form

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \left(\hat{\lambda}_1 (x_j - y_j)^2 + \hat{\lambda}_2 \nu_j x_j^2 \right) + \hat{\lambda}_2 \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} \nu_j x_j^2 \rightarrow \min, \quad x \in X.$$

It is easy to verify that for fixed $\hat{\lambda}_1$ and $\hat{\lambda}_2$ its solution is

$$x_y = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\hat{\lambda}_1}{\hat{\lambda}_1 + \hat{\lambda}_2 \nu_j} y_j e_j.$$

Therefore it is sufficient to find $\hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq 0$ and a sequence $\hat{u} = \{\hat{u}_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ admissible in (8) for which conditions (a) and (b) hold. In this case the

method

$$(11) \quad \widehat{\varphi}(y) = \sum_{j=1}^N \eta_j \frac{\widehat{\lambda}_1}{\widehat{\lambda}_1 + \widehat{\lambda}_2 \nu_j} y_j e_j$$

is optimal.

Let $B \geq A$. Put $\widehat{\lambda}_1 = 0$,

$$\widehat{\lambda}_2 = \frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q}, \quad \widehat{u}_q = \frac{1}{\nu_q}, \quad \widehat{u}_j = 0, \quad j \neq q.$$

It is easy to verify that the sequence $\{\widehat{u}_j\}$ is admissible and conditions (b) hold. We have

$$\mathcal{L}(u, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(-\mu_j + \frac{\mu_q \nu_j}{\nu_q} \right) u_j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j \left(\frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q} - \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} \right) u_j \geq 0,$$

since

$$B = \frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q} \geq \max_{j \in N} \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} = A.$$

In view of the fact that $\mathcal{L}(\widehat{u}, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = 0$, condition (a) holds.

Let $B < A$. We start with the case (i). Put $\widehat{\lambda}_1 = 0$,

$$\widehat{\lambda}_2 = \frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p}, \quad \widehat{u}_p = \frac{1}{\nu_p}, \quad \widehat{u}_j = 0, \quad j \neq p.$$

In this situation it is also easy to verify that the sequence $\{\widehat{u}_j\}$ is admissible and conditions (b) hold. Since

$$\frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p} = \max_{j \in N} \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} = A > B = \max_{j > N} \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j},$$

in this case

$$\mathcal{L}(u, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(-\mu_j + \frac{\mu_p \nu_j}{\nu_p} \right) u_j = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \nu_j \left(\frac{\mu_p}{\nu_p} - \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} \right) u_j \geq 0.$$

Since $\mathcal{L}(\widehat{u}, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = 0$, condition (a) holds.

We proceed to the case (ii). Let

$$(12) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_{k+1}}}} \leq \delta < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_k}}}.$$

Put $\widehat{u}_j = 0$ if $j \neq s_k, s_{k+1}$, and \widehat{u}_{s_k} with $\widehat{u}_{s_{k+1}}$ we find from the condition

$$(13) \quad \widehat{u}_{s_k} + \widehat{u}_{s_{k+1}} = \delta^2,$$

$$(14) \quad \nu_{s_k} \widehat{u}_{s_k} + \nu_{s_{k+1}} \widehat{u}_{s_{k+1}} = 1.$$

Then

$$\widehat{u}_{s_k} = \frac{\nu_{s_{k+1}}\delta^2 - 1}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}, \quad \widehat{u}_{s_{k+1}} = \frac{1 - \nu_{s_k}\delta^2}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}.$$

In view of (12) and (13) the sequence $\{\widehat{u}_j\}$ is admissible in (8). Put

$$\widehat{\lambda}_1 = \mu_{s_k} - \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}\nu_{s_k}, \quad \widehat{\lambda}_2 = \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}.$$

First, we show that $\widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2 > 0$. Since by Lemma 1 the sequence $\{\mu_{s_k}/\nu_{s_k}\}$ is monotone decreasing, we have

$$\widehat{\lambda}_1 = \frac{\mu_{s_k}\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k+1}}\nu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} = \frac{\nu_{s_k}\nu_{s_{k+1}}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} \left(\frac{\mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_k}} - \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}}} \right) > 0.$$

It follows from the definition of r that $\mu_r - B\nu_r > \mu_{s_{m-1}} - B\nu_{s_{m-1}}$. Thus, since $s_m = r$,

$$\frac{\mu_{s_m} - \mu_{s_{m-1}}}{\nu_{s_m} - \nu_{s_{m-1}}} > B.$$

It follows from monotone decreasing of the sequence

$$\left\{ \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} \right\}$$

that

$$(15) \quad \widehat{\lambda}_2 > B \geq 0.$$

It follows from (13) that condition (b) holds. We prove that condition (a) also holds. We show that for all $u_j \geq 0$

$$(16) \quad \mathcal{L}(u, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) \geq 0.$$

If $j > N$, then taking into account (15),

$$-\mu_j + \widehat{\lambda}_2\nu_j = \nu_j \left(\widehat{\lambda}_2 - \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} \right) > \nu_j \left(B - \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} \right) \geq 0.$$

If $s_k \leq j \leq N$, then in view of the definition of s_k

$$-\mu_j + \widehat{\lambda}_1 + \widehat{\lambda}_2\nu_j = (\nu_j - \nu_{s_k}) \left(\frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} - \frac{\mu_j - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_j - \nu_{s_k}} \right) \geq 0.$$

For $1 \leq j < s_k$, taking into account (4), we have

$$-\mu_j + \widehat{\lambda}_1 + \widehat{\lambda}_2\nu_j = (\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j) \left(\frac{\mu_{s_k} - \mu_j}{\nu_{s_k} - \nu_j} - \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}} \right) \geq 0.$$

Hence the inequality (16) is proved, and since $\mathcal{L}(\widehat{u}, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = 0$, it is proved that condition (a) holds. Thus, substituting $\widehat{\lambda}_1$ and $\widehat{\lambda}_2$ in (10)

and (11), we obtain the error of optimal recovery and optimality of the method

$$\varphi(y) = \sum_{j=1}^N \eta_j \left(1 + \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\mu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k+1}} \nu_{s_k}} \nu_j \right)^{-1} y_j e_j.$$

We show that the method in which the summation is taken over not all $1 \leq j \leq N$ but only over the set J_k is also optimal. Let

$$J_k = \{i_1, \dots, i_{\tilde{N}}\}.$$

Consider the same optimal recovery problem but with the information operator

$$I_{J_k} x = (x_{i_1}, \dots, x_{i_{\tilde{N}}}).$$

It follows from Lemma 1 that for all $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$

$$\frac{\mu_{s_j}}{\nu_{s_j}} > \frac{\mu_{s_j} - \mu_{s_{j-1}}}{\nu_{s_j} - \nu_{s_{j-1}}} > \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\nu_{s_{k+1}} - \nu_{s_k}}.$$

Therefore for the new information operator I_{J_k} the sequence s_j , $j = 0, 1, \dots, \tilde{m}$, $\tilde{m} \geq k$, will not change. Further, the following two cases may occur: $\tilde{m} > k$ and $\tilde{m} = k$. Consider the first case (the second one will follow by similar assertions from the case (iii)). By proved above for the case when

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_{k+1}}}} \leq \delta < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu_{s_k}}},$$

the error of optimal recovery depends only on two points (μ_{s_k}, ν_{s_k}) and $(\mu_{s_{k+1}}, \nu_{s_{k+1}})$. Therefore,

$$E(Q, W, I_{J_k}, \delta) = E(Q, W, I_N, \delta),$$

and the method

$$\hat{\varphi}(\tilde{y}) = \sum_{j=1}^{\tilde{N}} \eta_{i_j} \left(1 + \frac{\mu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_k}}{\mu_{s_k} \nu_{s_{k+1}} - \mu_{s_{k+1}} \nu_{s_k}} \nu_{i_j} \right)^{-1} y_{i_j} e_{i_j},$$

$$\tilde{y} = (y_{i_1}, \dots, y_{i_{\tilde{N}}}),$$

is optimal. We estimate this method for the information operator I_N . Let $x \in W$, $y \in l_2^N$, and $\|I_N x - y\|_{l_2^N} \leq \delta$. Then $\|I_{J_k} x - \tilde{y}\|_{l_2^{\tilde{N}}} \leq \delta$. Thus,

$$\|Q - \hat{\varphi}(y)\|_{l_2} = \|Q - \hat{\varphi}(\tilde{y})\|_{l_2} \leq E(Q, W, I_{J_k}, \delta) = E(Q, W, I_N, \delta).$$

It means that the method $\hat{\varphi}$ is optimal for the information operator I_N .

For the case (iii) we put

$$\widehat{\lambda}_1 = \mu_r - \frac{\mu_q \nu_r}{\nu_q}, \quad \widehat{\lambda}_2 = \frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q}, \quad \widehat{u}_r = \delta^2, \quad \widehat{u}_q = \frac{1 - \delta^2 \nu_r}{\nu_q},$$

$$\widehat{u}_j = 0, \quad j \neq r, q.$$

It follows from the definition r that

$$\widehat{\lambda}_1 > \mu_p - B\nu_p = \nu_p(A - B) > 0.$$

It is easy to verify that the sequence $\{\widehat{u}_j\}$ is admissible and condition (b) holds. Since in this case again $\mathcal{L}(\widehat{u}, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) = 0$, to prove the realization of condition (a) it remains to prove that for all $u_j \geq 0$ the inequality (16) holds. In the present case the Lagrange function has the following form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}(u, \widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\lambda}_2) &= \sum_{j=1}^N \left(-\mu_j + \mu_r - \frac{\mu_q \nu_r}{\nu_q} + \frac{\mu_q \nu_j}{\nu_q} \right) u_j \\ &+ \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} \left(-\mu_j + \frac{\mu_q \nu_j}{\nu_q} \right) u_j = \sum_{j=1}^N \left(\left(\mu_r - \frac{\mu_q \nu_r}{\nu_q} \right) - \left(\mu_j - \frac{\mu_q \nu_j}{\nu_q} \right) \right) u_j \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=N+1}^{\infty} \nu_j \left(\frac{\mu_q}{\nu_q} - \frac{\mu_j}{\nu_j} \right) u_j. \end{aligned}$$

Every term in the first sum is nonnegative in the view of the definition of r , and every term of the second sum is nonnegative in the view of the definition of q . Substituting $\widehat{\lambda}_1$ and $\widehat{\lambda}_2$ in (10) and (11), we obtain the error of optimal recovery and optimality of the method

$$(17) \quad \varphi(y) = \sum_{j=1}^N \eta_j \left(1 + \frac{\mu_q}{\mu_r \nu_q - \mu_q \nu_r} \nu_j \right)^{-1} y_j e_j.$$

The arguments similar to those which were used in the proof of the case (ii) show that in the method (17) the points $(\nu_j, \mu_j) \notin J_m$ may be discarded. In this case the obtained method will be also optimal but the number of input data which are used in general will be reduced. \square

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