Dualization of Signal Recovery Problems

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Abstract: In convex optimization, duality theory can sometimes lead to simpler solution methods than those resulting from direct primal analysis. In this paper, this principle is applied to a class of composite variational problems arising in particular in signal recovery. These problems are not easily amenable to solution by current methods but they feature Fenchel-Moreau-Rockafellar dual problems that can be solved by forward-backward splitting. The proposed algorithm produces simultaneously a sequence converging weakly to a dual solution, and a sequence converging strongly to the primal solution. Our framework is shown to capture and extend several existing duality-based signal recovery methods and to be applicable to a variety of new problems beyond their scope. © 2010 Springer Science+Business Media B.V.

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