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# Shape and Topology Optimization Methods for Inverse Problems

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#### **Inverse Problems**

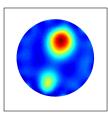
- Direct problem: given initial conditions
  - $\longrightarrow$  find evolution of a physical system
- Inverse problem: given final state of a physical system
   find initial conditions
- Well-posedness (Hadamard):
  - 1. Existence
  - 2. Uniqueness
  - 3. Stability
- ► The problem is Ill-posed if one of these conditions is not satisfied —> need for regularization.
- Many important inverse problems in tomography, geology, etc ... are ill-posed.

## Electrical Impedance Tomography (EIT)

 $\Omega$  bounded, simply connected,  $\Sigma=\partial\Omega.$ 

- Given: apply electric currents f on  $\Sigma$  / measure voltages v on  $\Sigma$ .
- Find: electrical properties in  $\Omega$  matching measurements.
- At  $x \in \Omega$ , find admittivity  $\gamma(x, \omega) = q(x) + i\omega e(x)$  with
  - electrical conductivity q;
  - electric permittivity e





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## **EIT** – Potential applications

In many applications, there is a large resistivity (1/q) contrast between a wide range of materials (e.g., up to about 200:1 for tissue types in the body; Geddes and Baker, 1967).

 $\implies$  used for imaging structure within  $\Omega$ .

- Geophysics: Porosity of core samples, map groundwater in borehole-to-borehole experiments, ...
- Medical imaging: Pulmonary measurements (functionality, detection of emboli), breast cancer detection, blood flow,...
- Non-destructive testing: Crack identification, void detection...
- References: [Ammari et al], [Borcea, Guevara Vasquez], [Calderón],[Cheney, Isaacson, Newell], [Druskin et al.], [Hansen,Knudsen], [Kaipio et al.], [Kohn, Vogelius], [Lionheart], [Nachman], [Somersalo et al.], [Sylvester, Uhlmann]...

## EIT – Mathematical model

The model comes in two flavors:

- Continuum model. *f* supposed to be known on all of  $\Sigma$ .
- Electrode model. Current (or voltage) through electrodes distributed along Σ.

In practice, boundary currents f(x) are not known for all  $x \in \Sigma$ .

Currents sent along wires attached to N electrodes.

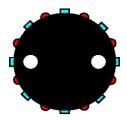


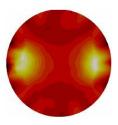
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## Fluorescence Optical Tomography (FOT)

- 1. Diffusion of photons at e(x)citation wavelength  $\lambda_x$  from sources at the boundary into the body.
- 2. Absorption at  $\lambda_x$  by fluorophores and re-e(m)ission at wavelength  $\lambda_m$  .
- 3. Diffusion of re-emitted photons through the body.
- 4. Measurement of light intensities leaving the body.
- 5. Find c, the concentration of fluorophores in  $\Omega$ .





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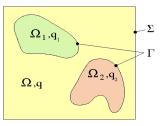
- FOT uses fluorescent dyes to overcome the low contrast in optical parameters, that result in low signal-to-noise ratios.
- Medical imaging.
- Low-cost alternative or complement to existing imaging technology such as EIT.
- References: [Arridge], [Chance et al.], [Dorn et al.], [Egger et al.], [Roy et al], [Schweiger et al.] ...

#### Piecewise constant model

- We are interested in sharp interface models and reconstructions [Chan et al.], [Dorn et al.], [Eckel, Kress]....
- Piecewise constant conductivity

$$q(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{n_q} q_i \chi_{\Omega_i}(x)$$

• Unknowns:  $q_i$  and interface  $\Gamma := \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_q} \Gamma_i$ ,  $\Gamma_i := \partial \Omega_i$ .



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#### EIT – Output-least-squares formulation

Given  $f_k(x) \in H^{-1/2}(\Omega)$  and associated measurements  $m_k \in L^2(\Sigma)$ 

minimize 
$$J(q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{M} \|u_k(q) - m_k\|_{L^2(\Sigma)}^2 + \alpha R(q)$$
  
subject to 
$$\operatorname{div}(q \nabla u_k) = 0 \quad \text{in } H^1(\Omega)',$$
  
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Regularization: Total variation (TV)

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Shape optimization perspective

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## Algorithmic approach

- 1. Initialize the sub-regions  $\Omega_i$  using the topological derivative.
- Update the interface Γ for fixed q<sub>i</sub> using the shape derivative and a steepest descent flow within a level set framework.
- 3. Update the conductivities  $q_i$  for fixed  $\Gamma$ .
- 4. Then alternate step 2 and 3.

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# Step1: Topological derivative

- Problem of initialization: Use topological sensitivity.
- Existing works: [Nazarov et al.], [Eschenauer, Schumacher], [Sokolowski, Zochowski], [Masmoudi et al.], [Amstutz], [Ammari et al.], [Bendsøe, Sigmund], [Novotny et al.], ...
- Topological derivative of  $\mathcal{J}$  at  $x \in \Omega$ :

$$\mathcal{T}(x) = \lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{J}(\Omega \setminus B(x;\varepsilon)) - \mathcal{J}(\Omega)}{|B(x;\varepsilon)|}$$

A small inclusion B(x; ε) may be created where T(x) < 0</p>

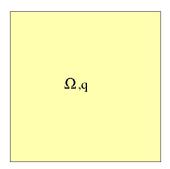
$$\Longrightarrow \mathcal{J}(\Omega \setminus \boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{x};\varepsilon)) < \mathcal{J}(\Omega)$$

Piecewise constant model

Numerical results

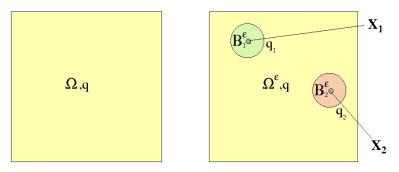
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#### **Topological derivative**



$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta u^0 &= 0 \text{ in } \Omega, \\ q \partial_n u^0 &= f \text{ on } \Sigma. \\ \mathcal{J}(\Omega) &= \int_{\Sigma} (u^0 - m)^2 \end{aligned}$$

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## Asymptotic analysis

#### We perform an asymptotic expansion of the type

$$u^{\varepsilon}(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \varepsilon^{j} (v_{j}(x) + W_{j}(\varepsilon^{-1}x)).$$

- $v_i$  are functions of *regular type*, living in  $\Omega$ .
- $W_j$  are boundary layers, living in  $\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \overline{\omega}$ .

Then replace  $u^{\varepsilon}$  in  $J(\Omega^{\varepsilon})$ :

$$\mathcal{J}(\Omega^{\varepsilon}) = \int_{\Sigma} (u^{\varepsilon} - m)^2 = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + |B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_0(x) + \dots$$

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## Topological sensitivity

First-order expansion ( $n_q = 1, \Omega^{\varepsilon} := \Omega \setminus B^{\varepsilon}(x)$ )

 $\mathcal{J}(\Omega^{\varepsilon}) = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + |B^{\varepsilon}| \mathcal{T}_{0}(x) + r_{0,\varepsilon}(x), \ \varepsilon \to 0,$ 

The leading term is

$$\mathcal{T}_0(x) = \frac{N}{N-1} \alpha \nabla u^0(x) \cdot \nabla p(x)$$

•  $\alpha = (q - q_1)/(q + q_1/(N - 1))$ , and *p* denotes the adjoint state

$$-\Delta p = 0$$
 in  $\Omega$ ,  
 $\partial_n p = 2(u - m)$  on  $\Sigma$ 

•  $r_{0,\varepsilon}(x) = \mathcal{O}(|B^{\varepsilon}|)$  is the remainder.

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## Topological sensitivity

• Second-order expansion (  $n_q = 1$ ,  $\Omega^{\varepsilon} := \Omega \setminus B(x; \varepsilon)$ )

$$\mathcal{J}(\Omega^{\varepsilon}) = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + |B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_{0}(x) + \varepsilon^{2N}\mathcal{T}_{1}(x) + r_{1,\varepsilon}(x), \ \varepsilon \to 0,$$

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#### Higher-order expansion

# $\mathcal{J}(\Omega^{\varepsilon}) = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + |B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_{0}(x) + \varepsilon^{2N}\mathcal{T}_{1}(x) + \varepsilon^{2}|B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_{2}(x) + r_{2,\varepsilon}(x), \ \varepsilon \to 0,$

 $\mathcal{T}_{0}(x) \qquad \mathcal{T}_{0}(x), \mathcal{T}_{1}(x) \qquad \mathcal{T}_{0}(x), \mathcal{T}_{1}(x), \mathcal{T}_{2}(x)$ 

 $T_0(x) < 0$  on  $\Sigma$ . Higher-order terms provide a better result.

#### Higher-order expansion

For one trial inclusion  $(n_q = 1)$ 

 $\mathcal{J}(\Omega^{\varepsilon}) = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + |B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_{0}(x) + \varepsilon^{2N}\mathcal{T}_{1}(x) + \varepsilon^{2}|B^{\varepsilon}|\mathcal{T}_{2}(x) + O(\varepsilon^{N+3}),$ 

with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{T}_0(x) &= \frac{N}{N-1} \alpha \nabla u^0(x) \cdot \nabla p(x), \\ \mathcal{T}_1(x) &= \frac{\alpha^2}{2(N-1)^2} \sum_{i,j} \partial_i u(x) \partial_j u(x) \mathcal{I}_{i,j}^{(1)}(x), \\ \mathcal{T}_2(x) &= \frac{\beta}{N} D^2 u^0(x) \cdot D^2 p(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

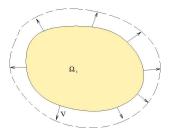
$$\mathcal{I}_{i,j}^{(1)}(x) = \int_{\Sigma} rac{(\xi - x)_i (\xi - x)_j}{|\xi - x|^{2N}} d\xi$$

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## Step 2: Shape optimization

- General concept: Smooth boundary transformation.
- [Murat, Simon], [Sokolowski, Zolesio], [Delfour, Zolesio] ...



Perturbation field: *V* Moving domain:  $\Omega_t = T_t(V)(\Omega)$ Shape functional:  $J(\Omega_t)$ Shape derivative:  $dJ(\Omega, V) = \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{J(\Omega_t) - J(\Omega)}{t}$ 

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moving domain  $\Omega_t$ 

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## Step 2: Shape optimization

Consider the domains for  $n_q$  inclusions

$$\Omega^* = \Omega \setminus \left( \cup_{i=1}^{n_q} \overline{\Omega_i} \right) \quad \text{with} \quad \Omega_i \cap \Omega_j = \varnothing \quad \text{for} \quad i \neq j,$$

The shape functional and shape derivative are (M = 1)

$$\mathcal{J}(\{\Omega_i\}) = \int_{\Sigma} |u(\{\Omega_i\}) - m|^2 + \beta \sum_{i=1}^{n_q} |q - q_i| \operatorname{Per}(\Gamma_i),$$
$$d\mathcal{J}(\{\Omega_i\}; V) = \sum_{i=1}^{n_q} \int_{\Gamma_i} [(q_i - q) \nabla p \cdot \nabla u + \beta |q - q_i| \mathcal{H}] v_n.$$

## Step 3: Conductivity optimization

We set

$$J(q) = rac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{M} \|u_i(q) - m_i\|_{L^2(\Sigma)}^2 + lpha R(q).$$

with M = 1. Consider perturbations of the conductivity

$$\boldsymbol{q}_{i}^{\eta}=\boldsymbol{q}_{i}+\eta\bar{\boldsymbol{q}}_{i},$$

which leads to the derivative

$$dJ(\{q_j\}_{j=1}^{n_q}; \bar{q}_i) = \bar{q}_i \left(\frac{q_i - q}{|q_i - q|}\beta \operatorname{Per}(\Gamma_i) - \int_{\Omega_i} \nabla u \cdot \nabla p\right)$$

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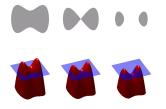
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#### Level set methods

Choose a function  $\phi(t, x)$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_t &= \{ x \in \Omega_t \mid \phi(t, x) < 0 \} \\ \Omega_t^c &= \{ x \in \Omega_t \mid \phi(t, x) > 0 \} \\ \partial \Omega_t &= \{ x \in \Omega_t \mid \phi(t, x) = 0 \} \end{aligned}$$

For instance,  $\phi$  can be chosen as the *signed distance function* to  $\partial \Omega_t$ 



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## Evolution of the level set function

Consider a point x(t) on the moving boundary  $\Gamma_t$ , we have  $\phi(t, x(t)) = 0$ . Differentiating w.r.t. *t* we get

$$\phi_t(t,x) + V(t,x) \cdot \nabla \phi(t,x) = 0.$$

Since  $\nabla \phi(t, x) = |\nabla \phi(t, x)| n(t, x)$ we get the Hamilton-Jacobi equation :

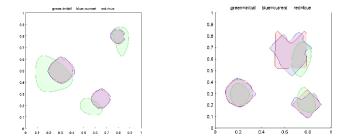
$$\phi_t(t,x) + v_n(t,x) |\nabla \phi(t,x)| = 0,$$

with  $\phi_t$  time derivative of  $\phi$  and  $\phi(0, x)$  a given data.

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# **Electrical Impedance Tomography**

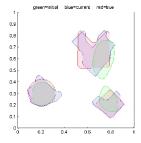
#### Reconstructions for 1% noise

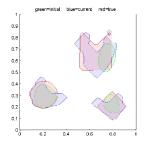


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# Electrical Impedance Tomography

#### Reconstructions for 3% (left) and 5% (right) noise.



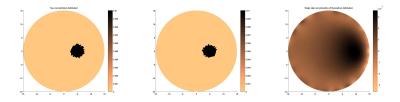


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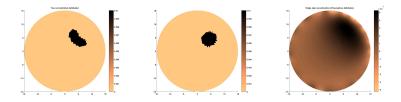
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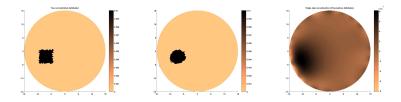
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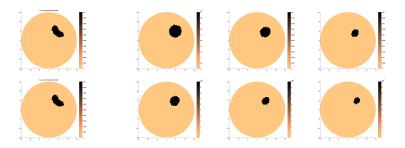


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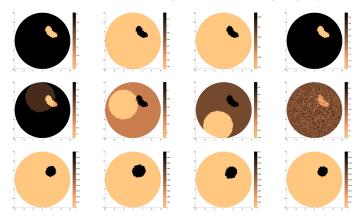
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- 1. original phantom (left column)
- 2. reconstructed inclusion with trial values  $c_0 = 0$  and  $c_1 = 5.10^{-3}, 1.10^{-2}, 5.10^{-2}$  (first row),
- 3. reconstructed inclusion with trial values  $c_0 = 3.10^{-5}, 7.10^{-5}, 1.10^{-4}$  and  $c_1 = 1.10^{-2}$  (second row)



- 1. original coefficients  $\tilde{\kappa}_x, \tilde{\mu}_x, \tilde{\kappa}_m, \tilde{\mu}_m$ .
- 2. purposely erroneous coefficients  $\kappa_x, \mu_x, \kappa_m, \mu_m$  used to compute the topological derivative.
- 3. corresponding reconstructions (third row)

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#### Fluorescence Optical Tomography

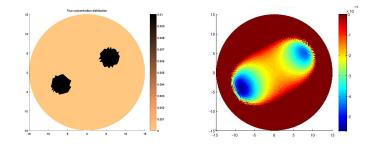


Figure : original phantom (left), topological derivative (right)

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#### Inverse Potential Problem - Gravimetry

- Reconstruct an unknown measure with support in a domain Ω from a single measurement of its potential on the boundary ∂Ω.
- Application to gravimetry: determine Earth's density distribution from the measurement of the gravity and its derivatives on the surface of the Earth.
- Ill-posed problem. A priori assumptions on the class of measures to be reconstructed can be made.
- Joint work with A. Canelas and A.A. Novotny.

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## Inverse Potential Problem - Mathematical model

 $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  open and bounded, with Lipschitz boundary  $\partial \Omega$  and  $\gamma = (\gamma_0, \gamma_1) \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is given.

 $\textit{PC}_{\gamma}(\Omega) := \{\textit{b} = \gamma_{\textit{0}} \chi_{\Omega \setminus \omega} + \gamma_{\textit{1}} \chi_{\omega} \in \textit{L}^{\infty}(\Omega) \mid \omega \subset \Omega \text{ measurable} \}$ 

Given  $q^* \in H^{-1/2}(\partial \Omega)$  and  $u^* \in H^{1/2}(\partial \Omega)$ , find

$$b^* = \gamma_0 \chi_{\Omega \setminus \omega^*} + \gamma_1 \chi_{\omega^*} \in PC_{\gamma}(\Omega) ,$$

such that

$$\left\{ egin{array}{cccc} -\Delta u &=& b^* & ext{in} & \Omega \ u &=& u^* \ -\partial_n u &=& q^* \end{array} 
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 on  $\partial \Omega$  .

has a solution  $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ .

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#### **Inverse Potential Problem**

#### Theorem (Isakov)

Assume  $b_i = \gamma_0 \chi_{\Omega \setminus \omega_i} + \gamma_1 \chi_{\omega_i}$ , i = 1, 2 where  $\gamma = (\gamma_0, \gamma_1)$  is given, and  $\omega_1, \omega_2$  are two star-shaped domains with respect to their barycenters. If the corresponding boundary data are equal, then  $\omega_1 = \omega_2$ .

We consider a broader class of admissible sets  $\omega \subset PC_{\gamma}(\Omega)$ :

$$\omega = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \omega_i$$
 with  $\omega_i \cap \omega_j = \emptyset$  for  $i \neq j$ .

with  $\omega_i$  measurable and simply connected.

## **Inverse Potential Problem**

Kohn-Vogelius functional

$$\min_{b\in PC_{\gamma}(\Omega)}J(b):=\frac{1}{2}\int_{\Omega}\left(u^{D}[b]-u^{N}[b]\right)^{2}\;,$$

where  $u^{D}[b]$  and  $u^{N}[b]$  solve (with  $c[b] = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \left( \int_{\partial\Omega} q^{*} - \int_{\Omega} b \right)$ )

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u^{D}[b] = b & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u^{D}[b] = u^{*} & \text{on } \partial\Omega, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u^{N}[b] &= b + c[b] & \text{ in } \Omega ,\\ -\partial_{n}u^{N}[b] &= q^{*} & \text{ on } \partial\Omega ,\\ \int_{\Omega} u^{N}[b] &= \int_{\Omega} u^{D}[b] , \end{cases}$$

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#### **Inverse Potential Problem**

Define  $\varpi_{\mathbf{e}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}} = \bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} B(\varepsilon_i, \widehat{x}_i)$  and

$$b_{\mathbf{e},\hat{\mathbf{x}}} = \gamma_0 \chi_{\Omega \setminus \varpi_{\mathbf{e},\hat{\mathbf{x}}}} + \gamma_1 \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \chi_{B(\varepsilon_i, \widehat{x}_i)} .$$

We have the following expansion

$$\mathcal{J}(\Omega \setminus \varpi_{\mathbf{e}, \hat{\mathbf{x}}}) = \mathcal{J}(\Omega) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} f_1(\varepsilon_i) D_T^1 \mathcal{J}(\hat{x}_i) + \sum_{i, j \in \mathcal{I}} f_2(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) D_T^2 \mathcal{J}(\hat{x}_i, \hat{x}_j) ,$$

where  $f_1(\varepsilon_i) = \pi \varepsilon_i^2$ ,  $f_2(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 \varepsilon_i^2 \varepsilon_j^2$ .

$$D^1_T \mathcal{J}(\widehat{x}_i) = \int_{\Omega} (u^D[\gamma_0] - u^N[\gamma_0]) h_i , \quad D^2_T \mathcal{J}(\widehat{x}_i, \widehat{x}_j) = \int_{\Omega} h_i h_j.$$

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## **Inverse Potential Problem**

Introduce the adjoint states

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{rcl} -\Delta p^D &=& -(u^D[\gamma_0]-u^N[\gamma_0]) & \text{in} & \Omega \ , \\ p^D &=& 0 & \text{on} & \partial\Omega \ , \end{array} \right.$$

and

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta p^{N} = u^{D}[\gamma_{0}] - u^{N}[\gamma_{0}] & \text{in} \quad \Omega ,\\ -\partial_{n}p^{N} = 0 & \text{on} \quad \partial\Omega ,\\ \int_{\Omega} p^{N} = 0 , \end{cases}$$

From Green's formula we get

$$D^1_T \mathcal{J}(\widehat{x}_i) = -(\gamma_1 - \gamma_0) \left( p^D(\widehat{x}_i) + p^N(\widehat{x}_i) 
ight).$$

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#### **Inverse Potential Problem**

- Define  $a_i := \pi \varepsilon_i^2, i \in \mathcal{I}$ ,
- For fixed  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  minimize  $J_{\hat{\mathbf{x}}}(\mathbf{a}) \coloneqq J(b_{\mathbf{e},\hat{\mathbf{x}}})$ .
- To find a we differentiate the topological expansion to obtain the first order optimality conditions:

$$\sum_{j\in\mathcal{I}} D_T^2 \mathcal{J}(\widehat{x}_i, \widehat{x}_j) a_j = -D_T^1 \mathcal{J}(\widehat{x}_i) \quad \text{for} \quad i\in\mathcal{I} , \qquad (1)$$

- Define  $\mathbf{e}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) := \sqrt{\mathbf{a}/\pi}$ .
- Minimize J(b<sub>e(x̂),x̂</sub>) with respect to x̂.

Numerical results

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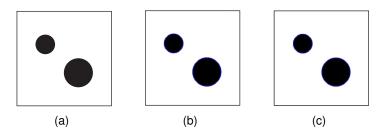


Figure : Looking for two anomalies: true source term (a) and reconstructions using two (b) and three trial balls (c).

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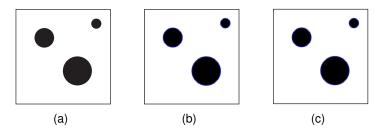


Figure : Looking for three anomalies: true source term (a) and reconstructions using three (b) and four trial balls (c).

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## **Inverse Potential Problem**

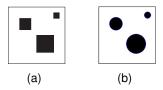


Figure : Three anomalies: true source term (a) and reconstruction using three balls (b).

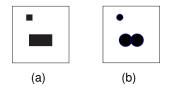


Figure : Two anomalies: true source term (a) and reconstruction using three balls (b).

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