§17. Numerical Simulation of 3D Image Reconstruction of LHD Plasma with IR Imaging Video Bolometers

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The arrangement of software for image reconstruction is in progress in order to realize the 3D tomography of radiation from LHD. Using the observation ports 6.5-U, 6.5-L, 6-T and 10-O, the system of four imaging bolometers was carefully improved in sightline positioning design [1] and installed on LHD for the 17th cycle of experiments. Assuming the toroidal periodicity and symmetry of the plasma, one half period of toroidal angle 18° was taken as the region of interest.

Numerical simulations were carried out on the improved layout of the four-camera system. With the geometry of the layout and on the basis of the physics of radiation detection, the projection matrix H that relates the unknown 3D plasma image f to its projection g in camera system was theoretically calculated with the aid of the CAD software. The 3D radiation distributions obtained with the EMC3-EIRENE code of impurity behavior were used as phantoms. By omitting the non-radiation voxels from image reconstruction, the size of the matrix H was decreased to 2,528x13,161 so that the singular value decomposition could be accomplished with a personal computer.

Figs. 1 and 2 show the result of applying the Tikhonov (unit matrix) regularization to the underdetermined linear equation *Hf=g*. Changing the value of the regularization parameter γ lead to the changes of the reconstructed image f and its projection Hf as in Fig. 1. Uniform random numbers, whose upper limit of interval was 10% of the mean of the true projection values, were added to produce the data vector g, and the Lagrange function to be minimized was defined as $\Lambda(f) =$ $\gamma ||\mathbf{f}||^2 + ||H\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{g}||^2 / M$ with M = 2,528. While the mean of the squared residuals ε^2 monotonically decreased with γ , the generalized cross validation GCV was minimized and well reflected the minimum of the reconstruction error δ^2 . The value of $\varepsilon = 2.17 \times 10^{-6}$ at the minimum of GCV was much smaller than the root mean square 5.08×10^{-5} of the added random numbers. If we had taken the Morozov condition, we would have got a smoothed reconstruction similar to (C) in Fig. 1. This result shows the validity of computation and reconfirms the usefulness of GCV [2, 3] for the tomography in which the angular loss of projection data is very large. The condition number of the matrix Hwas evaluated as 7.71×10^{34} using the software IDL.

For a better regularization according to the non-negativity constraint, additional study has been made to

build fast iterative algorithms.

Finally, we obtained the first result of image reconstruction from experimental data of LHD.

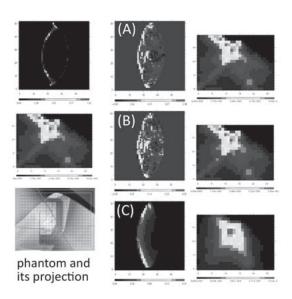


Fig. 1. Result of a numerical simulation: (left) a 3D phantom f_o and its projection Hf_o , which are displayed in one poloidal section and in the 6.5-L port camera, respectively; (right) reconstructed images \hat{f} and their projections $H\hat{f}$ displayed in the same section and camera for γ values of (A) 4.0x10⁻¹⁶, (B) 1.9x10⁻¹³ (min. GCV), and (C) 2.7x10⁻⁹.

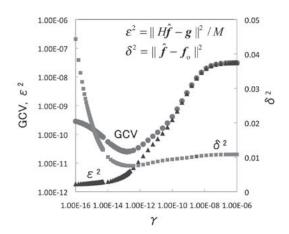


Fig. 2. Changes of *GCV*, ε^2 and δ^2 with the regularization parameter γ ; while ε^2 changed monotonically with γ , both *GCV* and δ^2 were minimized for the same discrete value of $\gamma = 1.9 \times 10^{-13}$ in this case.

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