

# Oblique Projection Matching Pursuit

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**Abstract** Recent theory of compressed sensing (CS) tells us that sparse signals can be reconstructed from a small number of random samples. In reconstruction of sparse signals, greedy algorithms, such as the orthogonal matching pursuit (OMP), have been shown to be computationally efficient. In this paper, the performance of OMP is shown to be dependent on how well information of the underlying signals is preserved in the residual vector. Further, to improve the information preservation, we present a modification of OMP, called oblique projection matching pursuit (ObMP), which updates the residual in a oblique projection manor. Using the restricted isometric property (RIP), we build a solid yet very intuitive grasp of the more accurate phenomenon of ObMP. We also show from empirical experiments that the ObMP achieves improved reconstruction performance over the conventional OMP algorithm in

terms of support detection ratio and mean squared error (MSE).

**Keywords** Compressed sensing (CS) · Sparse recovery · Orthogonal matching pursuit (OMP) · Restricted isometry property (RIP)

## 1 Introduction

Compressed sensing (CS) has recently attracted considerable attention in many fields such as electrical engineering, statistics, and applied mathematics [1–3]. The central problem of CS is to estimate a  $K$ -sparse vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  from a small number of linear samples

$$\mathbf{y} = \Phi \mathbf{x}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is called the sensing matrix. As  $\mathbf{y}$  may belong to one of  $\binom{n}{K}$  subspaces spanned by  $K$  columns of  $\Phi$ , an approach seeking the simplest explanation fitting the data, known as  $\ell_0$ -optimization, has been suggested [1],

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{x}\|_0 \quad \text{subject to } \Phi \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}. \quad (2)$$

This task, however, is known as intractable in practice because the number of cases to be tested grows exponentially with  $n$ . Thus much attention has been paid to computationally tractable methods. One popular approach pursuing the relaxation to convex optimization is called  $\ell_1$ -optimization [2],

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \quad \text{subject to } \Phi \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}. \quad (3)$$

Alternative approach towards approximation of the sparse solution relies on greedy search. Representative algorithms in this group include matching pursuit (MP) [4],

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orthogonal matching pursuit (OMP) [5–11]. OMP has been popularly used due to its computational simplicity and competitive recovery performance [12]. For each iteration OMP adds to the list one column that is most strongly correlated with the residual vector. The component of  $\mathbf{y}$  associated with the selected list is then cancelled with an orthogonal projection, yielding the updated residual for the next iteration. Since  $\mathbf{x}$  is  $K$ -sparse, only  $K$  iterations are needed for OMP to obtain the sparse solution.

As CS recovery is the inverse process to the sensing process. To ensure reliable recovery, sufficient information should be captured in the sensing process. Therefore, it is important to know how much information captured in  $\mathbf{y}$  suffices. This arises the question of how to quantitatively measure the captured information. To the end, a property of the sensing matrix, called restricted isometry property (RIP), has been widely used in the literature. A matrix  $\Phi$  satisfies the RIP of order  $K$  if there exists a constant  $\delta \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$(1 - \delta)\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \leq \|\Phi\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta)\|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \tag{4}$$

for all  $K$ -sparse  $\mathbf{x}$ . The minimum of all such  $\delta$  is called the isometry constant and denoted as  $\delta_K$ . RIP is a strong descriptor of the ability of  $\Phi$  in preserving information (length) of  $K$ -sparse vector  $\mathbf{x}$  [2] and has been popularly used to build recovery conditions for variety of CS recovery algorithms. For example, the  $\ell_1$ -optimization achieves exact recovery of any  $K$ -sparse  $\mathbf{x}$  under  $\delta_{2K} < \sqrt{2} - 1$  [13].

In this paper, we present a recovery method, referred to as oblique projection matching pursuit (ObMP), which differs to the conventional OMP algorithm in the residual updating step. Unlike the conventional OMP algorithm that cancels components of selected columns with an orthogonal projection, the ObMP algorithm updates the residual using a oblique projection. The oblique projection incorporates “prior” information of partial support of  $\mathbf{x}$  obtained by matched filtering, which is shown to have a better information preservation of the underlying signal to be recovered. Numerical experiments show that ObMP provides improvement over the MP and OMP algorithms in terms of support detection probability as well as mean square error (MSE).

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: In Section 2 we present brief overview of the OMP algorithm and then introduce the ObMP algorithm; We analyze the ability of ObMP in preserving information in Section 3; In Section 4 we present experimental comparison of MP, OMP and ObMP in terms of support detection probability and MSE; Concluding remarks are given in Section 5.

## 2 The ObMP algorithm

### 2.1 Notation

We briefly summarize notations in this paper. Let  $T = \text{supp}(\mathbf{x}) = \{i | i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, x_i \neq 0\}$  denote the support set of vector  $\mathbf{x}$ . For given set  $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $|S|$  is the cardinality of  $S$ .  $T \setminus S$  is the set of all elements contained in  $T$  but not in  $S$ .  $\mathbf{x}_S \in \mathbb{R}^{|S|}$  is the restriction of the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  to the elements with indices in  $S$ .  $\Phi_S \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times |S|}$  is a submatrix of  $\Phi$  that only contains columns indexed by  $S$ . If  $\Phi_S$  has full column rank, then  $\Phi_S^\dagger = (\Phi_S' \Phi_S)^{-1} \Phi_S'$  is the pseudoinverse of  $\Phi_S$  where  $\Phi_S'$  denotes the transpose of  $\Phi_S$ .  $\text{span}(\Phi_S)$  is the span of columns in  $\Phi_S$ .  $\mathbf{P}_S = \Phi_S \Phi_S^\dagger$  is the projection onto  $\text{span}(\Phi_S)$ .  $\mathbf{P}_S^\perp = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_S$  is the projection onto the orthogonal complement of  $\text{span}(\Phi_S)$  where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the identity matrix.

### 2.2 Algorithm

Let us begin with a brief overview of the OMP algorithm. At the  $k$ -th iteration ( $1 \leq k < K$ ), OMP selects an index corresponding to the column of  $\Phi$  that is most strongly correlated with current residual, i.e.,

$$t^k = \arg \max_j |\langle \mathbf{r}^{k-1}, \phi_j \rangle|, \tag{5}$$

and then adds the index to the list:

$$T^k = T^{k-1} \cup \{t^k\}. \tag{6}$$

Based on  $T^k$ , a  $k$ -sparse signal is estimated as

$$\mathbf{x}^k = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}: \text{supp}(\mathbf{u})=T^k} \|\mathbf{y} - \Phi\mathbf{u}\|_2. \tag{7}$$

Finally, the residual is updated by filtering out the component of  $\mathbf{y}$  in  $\text{span}(\Phi_{T^k})$ . That is,

$$\mathbf{r}^k = \mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \mathbf{y}. \tag{8}$$

Now we take some observations on the residual updating step in Eq. 8. Suppose OMP selects  $k$  true indices in previous  $k$  iterations ( $T^k \subset T$ ). Then,  $\mathbf{y}$  admits a parallelogram-wise decomposition:

$$\mathbf{y} = \Phi_{T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T^k} + \Phi_{T \setminus T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}. \tag{9}$$

See Fig. 1 for a geometric illustration of Eq. 9. Ideally, we would hope that the orthogonal complement operator  $\mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp$  in  $\mathbf{r}^k = \mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \mathbf{y}$  cancels the term  $\Phi_{T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T^k}$  completely but does not affect  $\Phi_{T \setminus T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$ . In other words, we hope for an ideal residual

$$\mathbf{r}_0^k = \Phi_{T \setminus T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}. \tag{10}$$

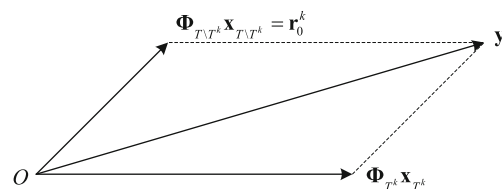


Fig. 1 Sketch of the OMP and the improved OMP algorithm

This, however, is not possible because  $\text{span}(\Phi_{T^k})$  is not orthogonal to  $\text{span}(\Phi_{T \setminus T^k})$  in general. In fact, from Eq. 8 and Eq. 9,  $\mathbf{r}^k$  is given by

$$\mathbf{r}^k = \mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{T \setminus T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}, \tag{11}$$

which can be viewed as the “measurements” of vector  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  using sensing matrix  $\mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{T \setminus T^k}$ . For subsequent iterations, OMP essentially estimates a  $(K - k)$ -sparse signal (i.e., the vector with  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  being its nonzero part and zero otherwise) from its “measurements”.

As mentioned, the quality of CS recovery is fundamentally determined by the ability of sensing matrix preserving information (typically, the length) of the underlying signals to be recovered. Therefore, the estimate of  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  relies heavily on how well information of  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  is preserved in “measurements”  $\mathbf{r}^k$ .

From Eq. 10 and the definition of RIP, the ideal residual preserves the length of  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  as

$$(1 - \delta_{K-k}) \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_{K-k}) \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2^2. \tag{12}$$

In contrast, by Eq. 11 and [14, Lemma 1],

$$(1 - \delta_K) \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_K) \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2^2. \tag{13}$$

This motivate us to design a new residual update, say  $\mathbf{r}_1^k$ , such that

$$\|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 < \|\mathbf{r}_1^k\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2. \tag{14}$$

In other words,  $\mathbf{r}_1^k$  is closer to the ideal residual and hence better preserving the energy of  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  than  $\mathbf{r}^k$ . To the end, we propose to use oblique projection to update the residual. Specifically, we first estimate a partial support of  $\mathbf{x}$  as

$$\Lambda_\alpha = \{i \mid |(\Phi' \mathbf{y})_i| \geq \lambda_\alpha\}, \tag{15}$$

where  $\lambda_\alpha$  is the  $\lceil \alpha K \rceil$ -th largest element (in magnitude) in  $\Phi' \mathbf{y}$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . This information can be obtained at the first iteration. Then, by employing the estimated partial support, we estimate  $\mathbf{x}^k$  as

$$\mathbf{x}^k = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}: \text{supp}(\mathbf{u})=T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha} \|\mathbf{y} - \Phi \mathbf{u}\|_2. \tag{16}$$

Finally, we update the residual as

$$\mathbf{r}_1^k = \mathbf{y} - \Phi_{T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k. \tag{17}$$

Geometrically,  $\Phi_{T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k$  is the oblique projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto  $\text{span}(\Phi_{T^k})$  against  $\text{span}(\Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha})$  (see Fig. 2). We henceforth refer to this algorithm as oblique projection matching pursuit (ObMP). A detailed description of ObMP is given in Table 1.

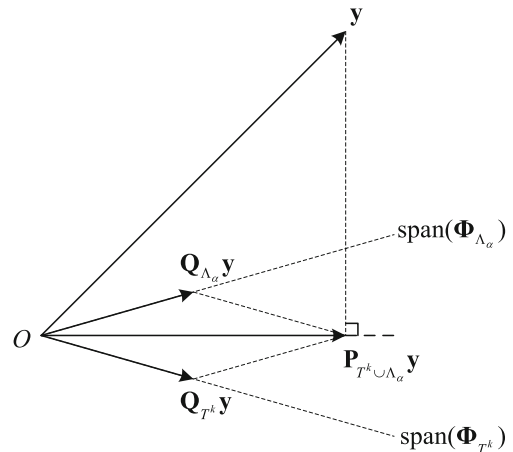


Fig. 2 Sketch of oblique projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto  $\text{span}(\Phi_{T^k})$  against  $\text{span}(\Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha})$

**Proposition 1** At the  $k$ -th iteration ( $1 \leq k < K$ ), ObMP satisfies

$$\mathbf{x}^k = \left( \mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_\alpha}^\perp \Phi_{T^k} \right)^\dagger \mathbf{y}, \tag{18}$$

$$\mathbf{r}_1^k = \left( \mathbf{I} - \Phi_{T^k} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_\alpha}^\perp \Phi_{T^k} \right)^\dagger \right) \mathbf{y}. \tag{19}$$

*Proof* See Appendix A □

Let us define

$$\mathbf{Q}_{T^k} = \Phi_{T^k} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_\alpha}^\perp \Phi_{T^k} \right)^\dagger, \tag{20}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{T^k}^\perp = \mathbf{I} - \Phi_{T^k} \left( \mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_\alpha}^\perp \Phi_{T^k} \right)^\dagger, \tag{21}$$

$$\mathbf{Q}_{\Lambda_\alpha} = \Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha} \left( \mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha} \right)^\dagger. \tag{22}$$

**Table 1** The ObMP algorithm

Input	$\Phi, \mathbf{y}, K$ , and $\Lambda^\alpha$ .
Initialize	iteration counter $k = 0$ , estimated support $T^0 = \emptyset$ , and residual vector $\mathbf{r}^0 = \mathbf{y}$ .
While	$k < K$ , <b>do</b> $k = k + 1$ . Identify $t^k = \arg \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus T^{k-1}}  \langle \phi_i, \mathbf{r}^{k-1} \rangle $ . Enlarge $T^k = T^{k-1} \cup t^k$ . Estimate $\mathbf{x}^k = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}: \text{supp}(\mathbf{u})=T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha} \ \mathbf{y} - \Phi \mathbf{u}\ _2$ . Update $\mathbf{r}_1^k = \mathbf{y} - \Phi_{T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k$ .
End	
Output	estimated support $\hat{T} = T^K$ and estimated signal $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ satisfying $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{T^K} = \mathbf{x}_{T^K}^{T^K}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\{1, \dots, n\} \setminus T^K} = \mathbf{0}$ .

Then,

$$\mathbf{r}_1^k = \mathbf{Q}_{T^k}^\perp \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{T \setminus T^k} \mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}, \tag{23}$$

which can be viewed as the “measurements” of vector  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  using sensing matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{T \setminus T^k}$ .

### 3 Analysis

#### 3.1 Main results

In this section, we show that at the  $k$ -th iteration, the residual of ObMP better preserves the length of  $\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}$  than that of OMP. Our result is formally described in the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** *Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be any  $K$ -sparse vector and  $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  be the measurement matrix. Also, let  $\mathbf{r}^k$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_1^k$ , and  $\mathbf{r}_0^k$  be the residual of OMP, ObMP and the ideal case, respectively (see definitions in Eqs. 10, 11 and 23). Then,*

$$\|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 < \|\mathbf{r}_1^k\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2. \tag{24}$$

provided that  $\Phi$  satisfies the RIP with isometry constant

$$\delta_{2K} < \frac{1}{3}. \tag{25}$$

We would like to remark that Eq. 25 only imposes a mild constraint to the sensing matrix. Indeed, many random measurement matrices satisfy the RIP with overwhelming probability when the number of measurements scales linearly with the sparsity. For example, a random matrix  $\Phi \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  with entries drawn i.i.d. from Gaussian distribution  $\mathcal{N}(0, \frac{1}{m})$  obeys the RIP with  $\delta_K = \varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  with overwhelming probability if [2]

$$m \geq \frac{cK \log \frac{n}{K}}{\varepsilon^2} \tag{26}$$

for some constant  $c > 0$ .

Before we proceed to the proof for Theorem 1, we provide some useful lemmas.

**Lemma 1** (Monotonicity [2]) *If a matrix satisfies the RIP of both orders  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  where  $K_1 \leq K_2$ , then  $\delta_{K_1} \leq \delta_{K_2}$ .*

This property is commonly known as monotonicity of the isometry constant.

**Lemma 2** (Consequences of RIP [15, 16]) *Let  $S \subseteq \Omega$ . If  $\delta_{|S|} < 1$ , then for any vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^{|S|}$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \delta_{|S|}) \|\mathbf{u}\|_2 &\leq \|\Phi_S' \Phi_S \mathbf{u}\|_2 \leq (1 + \delta_{|S|}) \|\mathbf{u}\|_2, \\ (1 - \delta_{|S|}) \|\Phi_S' \Phi_S\|^{-1} \mathbf{u} &\leq \mathbf{u} \leq (1 + \delta_{|S|}) \|\Phi_S' \Phi_S\|^{-1} \mathbf{u}. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3** (Lemma 1 in [14]) *Let  $S_1, S_2 \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$ . If  $\Phi$  satisfies the RIP of order  $|S_1 \cup S_2|$ , then for any  $|S_1|$ -sparse vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,*

$$(1 - \delta_{|S_1 \cup S_2|}) \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{P}_{S_2}^\perp \Phi \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_{|S_1 \cup S_2|}) \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2. \tag{27}$$

**Lemma 4** (Lemma 2 in [14]) *For disjoint sets  $S_1, S_2, S_3 \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ . If  $\delta_{|S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3|} < 1$ , then for any vector  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^{|S_3|}$ ,*

$$\|\Phi_{S_1}' \mathbf{P}_{S_2}^\perp \Phi_{S_3} \mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \leq \delta_{|S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3|} \|\mathbf{u}\|_2^2 \tag{28}$$

**Lemma 5** (Proposition 3.1 in [16]) *Let  $S \subseteq \Omega$ . If  $\delta_{|S|} < 1$ , then for any  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^{|S|}$ ,*

$$\|\mathbf{u}\|_2 \leq \sqrt{1 + \delta_{|S|}} \|(\Phi_S^\dagger)' \mathbf{u}\|_2. \tag{29}$$

#### 3.2 Proof of Theorem 1

The proof of Theorem 1 consists of two two steps. First, we derive a lower bound for  $\|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2$  and an upper bound for  $\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2$ . By relating the two bounds, we obtain an condition ensuring

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2 < \|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2. \tag{30}$$

In the second step, we show that Eq. 24 holds true under Eq. 30.

Now we consider the first step of proof.

**Proposition 2** *We have*

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2 \leq \frac{\delta_{2K} \sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}{1 - \delta_K} \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha)}\|_2, \tag{31}$$

$$\|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2 \geq \frac{1 - \delta_K}{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}} \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2. \tag{32}$$

The proof of Proposition 2 is relegated to Appendix B. From Proposition 2, it is clear that Eq. 30 is guaranteed whenever

$$\frac{\delta_K \sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}{1 - \delta_K} \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha)}\|_2 < \frac{1 - \delta_K}{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}} \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2. \tag{33}$$

Noting that

$$\|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha)}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2,$$

it is clear that Eq. 33 is ensured if

$$\delta_{2K} (1 + \delta_K) < (1 - \delta_K)^2, \tag{34}$$

In fact, by Lemma 1, Eq. 34 holds true under

$$\delta_{2K} < \frac{1}{3}. \tag{35}$$

Next, we proceed to the second step of proof. Since

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2 < \|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2, \tag{36}$$

we have

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 > 0. \tag{37}$$

Also, since  $\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_1^k$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{r}^k$ , by Pythagorean law we have

$$\|\mathbf{r}_1^k\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 > \|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2. \tag{38}$$

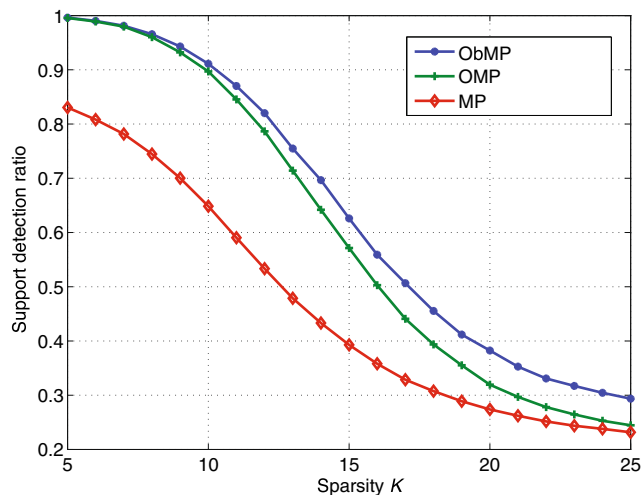
On the other hand, noting that  $\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{r}^k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2 &= \|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2^2 \\ &\geq \|\mathbf{r}^k\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_1^k\|_2^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{r}_1^k\|_2^2, \end{aligned} \tag{39}$$

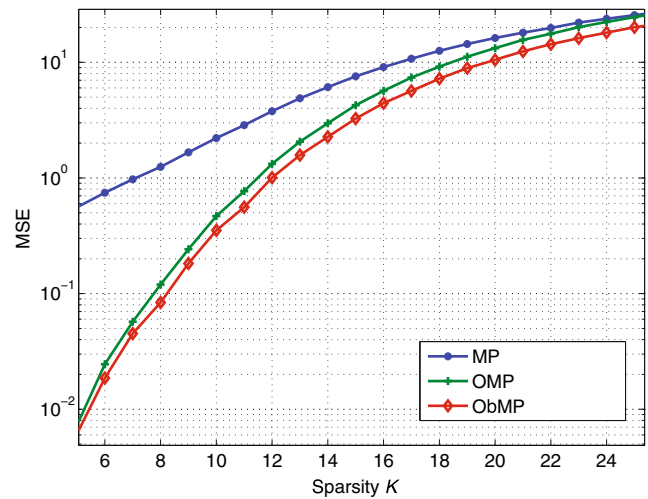
which completes the proof.

### 4 Experimental results

In this section, we conduct numerical experiments to show the effectiveness of the proposed ObMP algorithm. Let us first introduce our experiment setup. We choose signal  $\mathbf{x}$  of length  $n = 256$  with  $K$  nonzero spike positions randomly generated. We set  $m = 50$  and draw a random  $m \times n$  matrix  $\Phi$  with i.i.d. Gaussian entries from  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . From the CS theory,  $\Phi$  satisfy the RIP with high probability. For comparative purpose, we consider MP, OMP and ObMP algorithms in our experiments. For each algorithm, we run 2,000 independent trials of reconstruction with various sparsity  $K$ . Figure 3 depicts the support detection ratio as a function of  $K$ . Overall, we observe that support detection ratio decreases as  $K$  increases. Compared to MP and OMP, the ObMP algorithm performs better. Figure 4 depicts a plot of the MSE performance as a function of  $K$ . We observe that for all recovery algorithms under test, the MSE increases in  $K$ . The proposed ObMP exhibits the lowest MSE, demonstrating the performance gain of using oblique projection.



**Fig. 3** Support recovery from random measurement with  $m = 50$  and  $n = 256$  using MP, OMP, and ObMP



**Fig. 4** MSE performance of the signal recovery from random measurement with  $m = 50$  and  $n = 256$  using MP, OMP, and ObMP

### 5 Conclusion

In this paper, we have studied the a greedy algorithm called ObMP, which is a modification of OMP with distinct residual updating step. The ObMP algorithm is built on the observations 1) that the recovery performance of OMP depends on how well information about the signals of interest is preserved in the measurements, and 2) that a better information preservation can be achieved by employing an oblique projection that incorporates “prior” knowledge of partial support of input signals. From RIP analysis, we have shown that under a mild constraint on the sensing matrix, the proposed ObMP algorithm is guaranteed to offer better information preservation. In addition, we have demonstrated from numerical experiments that ObMP has very competitive reconstruction performance compared to MP and OMP.

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### Appendix A: Proof of Proposition 1

*Proof* Let  $\Omega = T^k \cup \Lambda_\alpha$ . Then, the projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  onto  $\text{span}(\Phi_\Omega)$  can be given by

$$\mathbf{P}_\Omega \mathbf{y} = \Phi_\Omega \Phi_\Omega^\dagger \mathbf{y}. \tag{40}$$

Following the argument in [17], we can show that

$$\mathbf{P}_\Omega \mathbf{y} = \Phi_{T^k} (\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_\alpha}^\perp \Phi_{T^k})^\dagger \mathbf{y} + \Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha} (\mathbf{P}_{T^k}^\perp \Phi_{\Lambda_\alpha})^\dagger \mathbf{y}. \tag{41}$$

Since  $\mathbf{P}_{\Omega}\mathbf{y}$  lies in the column span of  $\Phi_{\Omega} = [\Phi_{T^k}, \Phi_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}]$  where  $\Phi_{T^k}$  and  $\Phi_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}$  are disjoint, it has a unique linear representation with  $\Phi_{T^k}$  and  $\Phi_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}$ . That is,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{P}_{\Omega}\mathbf{y} &= [\Phi_{T^k}, \Phi_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}] \begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\mathbf{x}}_{T^k} \\ \widehat{\mathbf{x}}_{\Lambda} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \Phi_{T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k + \Phi_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}\mathbf{x}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^k. \end{aligned} \tag{42}$$

From Eqs. 41 and 42, we have

$$\mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k = (\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T^k})^{\dagger}\mathbf{y}. \tag{43}$$

Furthermore, from Table 1, the residual vector of ObMP becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}_1^k &= \mathbf{y} - \Phi_{T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T^k}^k \\ &= \mathbf{y} - \Phi_{T^k}(\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T^k})^{\dagger}\mathbf{y} \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - \Phi_{T^k}(\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T^k})^{\dagger})\mathbf{y}, \end{aligned} \tag{44}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

### Appendix B: Proof of Proposition 2

*Proof* First, for the OMP algorithm,  $\|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2$  can be lower bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{r}^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2 &= \|\mathbf{P}_{T^k}\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &= \|\Phi_{T^k}(\Phi_{T^k}'\Phi_{T^k})^{-1}\Phi_{T^k}'\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &= \|(\Phi_{T^k}^{\dagger})'\Phi_{T^k}'\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{\geq} \frac{\|\Phi_{T^k}'\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2}{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}} \\ &\geq \frac{\sigma_{\min}(\Phi_{T^k})\|\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2}{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}} \\ &\geq \sqrt{\frac{1 - \delta_K}{1 + \delta_K}}\|\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{\text{RIP}}{\geq} \frac{1 - \delta_K}{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}\|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2. \end{aligned} \tag{45}$$

where (a) is from Lemma 5.

We next consider the ObMP algorithm.  $\|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2$  can be upper bounded as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{r}_1^k - \mathbf{r}_0^k\|_2 &= \|\mathbf{Q}_{T^k}\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{(20)}{=} \|\Phi_{T^k}(\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T^k})^{\dagger}\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{\text{RIP}}{\leq} \sqrt{1 + \delta_K}\|(\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T^k})^{\dagger}\Phi_{T \setminus T^k}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus T^k}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{(a)}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}{1 - \delta_K}\|\Phi_{T^k}'\mathbf{P}_{\Lambda_{\alpha}}^{\perp}\Phi_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_{\alpha})}\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_{\alpha})}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{(b)}{\leq} \frac{\delta_{K + \lceil \alpha K \rceil} \sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}{1 - \delta_K}\|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_{\alpha})}\|_2 \\ &\stackrel{(c)}{\leq} \frac{\delta_{2K} \sqrt{1 + \delta_K}}{1 - \delta_K}\|\mathbf{x}_{T \setminus (T^k \cup \Lambda_{\alpha})}\|_2, \end{aligned} \tag{46}$$

where (a) is from Lemma 3, (b) is due to Lemma 4, and (c) is because  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ .

The proof is now complete.  $\square$

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