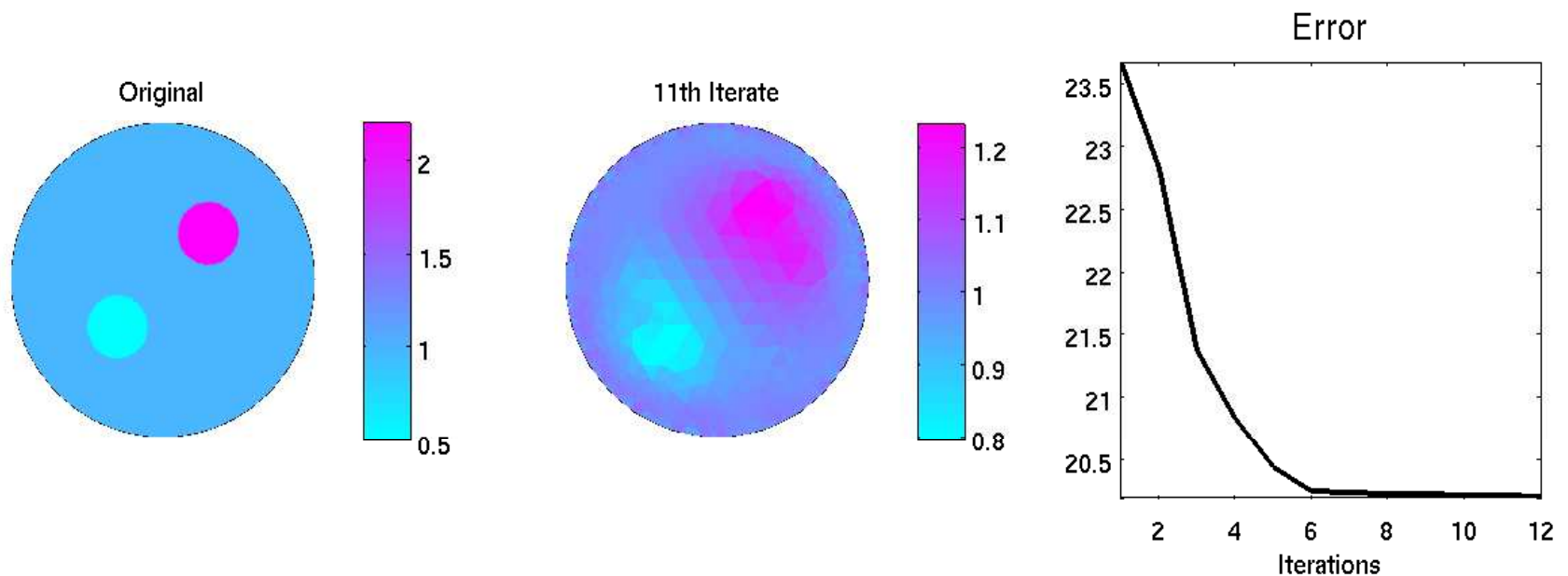




# Newton Solvers for Electrical Impedance Tomography

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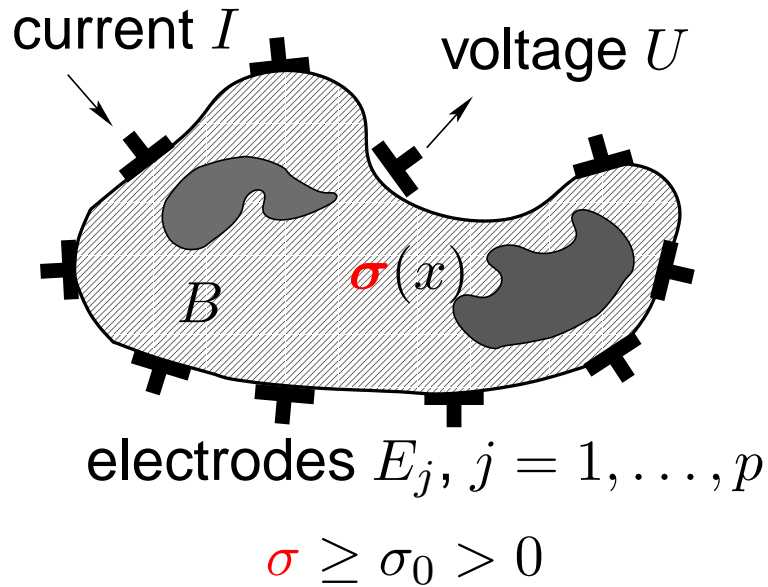
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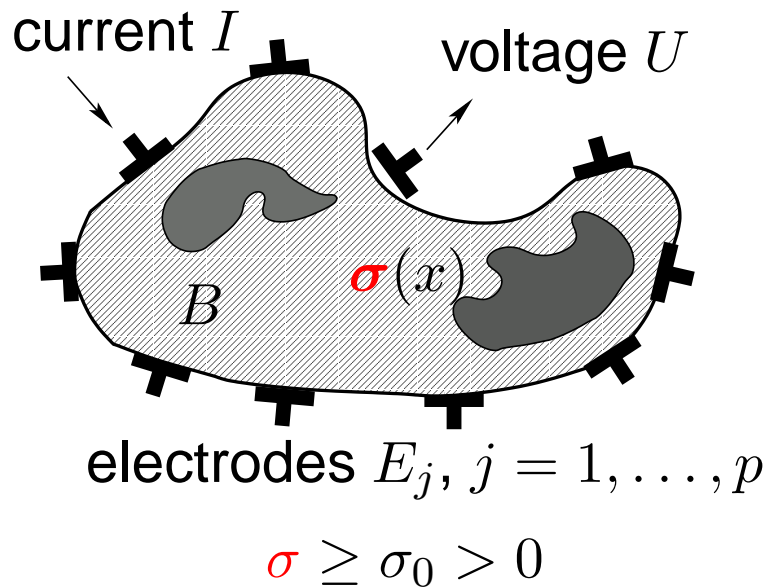
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Given  $I \in \mathcal{E}_p := \operatorname{span}\{\chi_{E_1}, \dots, \chi_{E_p}\} \cap L^2_{\diamond}(\partial B) \subset L^2_{\diamond}(\partial B)$  find  $(u, U) \in H^1(B) \oplus \mathcal{E}_p$ :

$$b_{\sigma}((u, U), (w, W)) = \int_{\partial B} IW \, dS \quad \forall (w, W) \in H^1(B) \oplus \mathcal{E}_p.$$

where

$$b_{\sigma}((v, V), (w, W)) = \int_B \sigma \nabla v \cdot \nabla w \, dx + \frac{1}{z} \int_E (v - V)(w - W) \, dS$$

(Existence & Uniqueness: Somersalo, Cheney & Isaacson, 1992)

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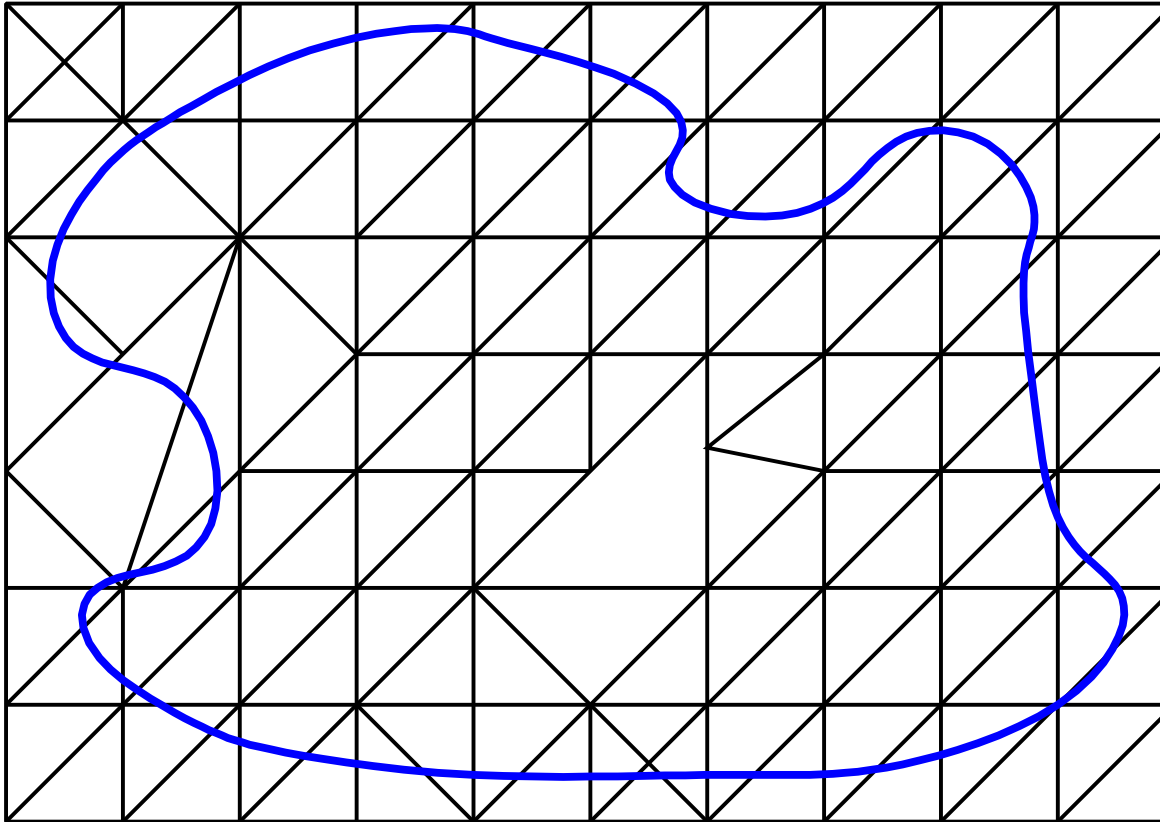
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CEM only provides  $p(p-1)/2$  independent measurements.

- Therefore, we can only hope to recover conductivities whose number of DOF is at most the number of independent measurements.
- Consequently, we restrict the searched-for conductivities to a finite-dimensional space, namely to  $V_{\mathcal{T}}$ , a space of piecewise polynomials over a triangulation  $\mathcal{T}$  of  $B$ .



# Example: Constructing conductivity space $V_{\mathcal{T}}$



The conductivity  $\sigma$  is a polynomial on each triangle

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Define  $\Lambda_h: \mathcal{E}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{E}_p$ , a **computable approximation** to  $\Lambda$ , by  $\Lambda_h I = U_h$  where  $(u_h, U_h) \in S_{\mathcal{H}} \oplus \mathcal{E}_p$  solves

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Find  $\sigma \in V_{\mathcal{J}}^+$  from the observed current-to-voltage mapping  $\tilde{\Lambda}$  such that

$$F_{p,h}(\sigma) = \tilde{\Lambda}.$$

Uniqueness:

Under which assumptions on  $\mathcal{E}_p$ ,  $V_{\mathcal{J}}$ , and  $S_{\mathcal{H}}$  is  $\sigma \in V_{\mathcal{J}}^+$  uniquely determined by  $\Lambda_h$ ?

Local answer:

The solution is locally unique whenever  $\mathcal{E}_p$  and  $S_{\mathcal{H}}$  are rich enough.

**Remark:** Borcea, Druskin and Vasquez (*Inverse Problems* 24(3), 2008) have shown recently injectivity for a radial FD discretization.

# Inexact Newton solvers for nonlinear ill-posed problems

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Let  $\{s_{n,m}\}_{m \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a regularizing sequence. Then,  $s_n^N = s_{n,m_n}$ .

# Inexact Newton scheme

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REGINN( $x_{N(\delta)}$ ,  $R$ ,  $\{\mu_n\}$ )
 $n := 0$ ;  $x_0 := x_{N(\delta)}$ ;
while  $\|b_n^\delta\|_Y > R\delta$  do
{
   $m := 0$ ,  $s_{n,0} = 0$ ;
  repeat
     $m := m + 1$ ;
    compute  $s_{n,m}$  from  $A_n s = b_n^\delta$ ;
  until  $\|A_n s_{n,m} - b_n^\delta\|_Y < \mu_n \|b_n^\delta\|_Y$ 
   $x_{n+1} := x_n + s_{n,m}$ ;
   $n := n + 1$ ;
}
 $x_{N(\delta)} := x_n$ ;

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$$m_n = \min \{ m \in \mathbb{N} : \|A_n s_{n,m} - b_n^\delta\|_Y < \mu_n \|b_n^\delta\|_Y \}$$

## Assumptions on $\{s_{n,m}\}$

For the analysis of REGINN we restrict ourselves to the following four iterative regularization schemes

- Landweber iteration

$$s_{n,m} = s_{n,m-1} + \lambda A_n^* (b_n^\delta - A_n s_{n,m-1}), \quad s_{n,0} = 0$$

- Implicit iteration

$$s_{n,m} = (A_n^* A_n + \lambda I)^{-1} (\lambda s_{n,m-1} + A_n^* b_n^\delta), \quad s_{n,0} = 0$$

- steepest decent

$$s_{n,m} = s_{n,m-1} + \frac{\|A_n^* r_{m-1}\|_X^2}{\|A_n A_n^* r_{m-1}\|_Y^2} A_n^* (b_n^\delta - A_n s_{n,m-1}), \quad s_{n,0} = 0$$

- cg-method

$$s_{n,m} = s_{n,m-1} + A_n^* P_m(A_n A_n^*, b_n^\delta) b_n^\delta, \quad s_{n,0} = 0$$

## Structural assumption on the nonlinearity

Assume (modified) tangential cone condition

$$\|F(v) - F(w) - F'(w)(v - w)\|_Y \leq L \|F'(w)(v - w)\|_Y$$

for one  $L < 1$  and for all  $v, w \in B_r(x^+) \subset D(F)$ .

# Monotonicity and Convergence

**Theorem:** Let  $L$ ,  $R$  and  $\{\mu_n\}$  be “suitable” and start REGINN with  $x_0 \in B_r(x^+)$ . Then, all iterates  $\{x_1, \dots, x_{N(\delta)}\}$  are well-defined and

$$\|x^+ - x_n\|_X < \|x^+ - x_{n-1}\|_X, \quad n = 1, \dots, N(\delta),$$

and, if  $x^+$  is unique in  $B_r(x^+)$ ,

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \|x^+ - x_{N(\delta)}\|_X = 0.$$

- Norm convergence with rates can be shown under stronger assumptions.
- The tolerances  $\{\mu_n\}$  are adapted dynamically during the iteration incorporating information on the local degree of ill-posedness.

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Forward mapping:  $F_{p,h} : V_{\mathcal{J}}^+ \subset V_{\mathcal{J}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{E}_p), \quad \sigma \mapsto \Lambda_h,$

Geometric assumption on the electrodes  $\{E_j^p\}_{j=1}^p$ :

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^p |E_j^p| = |\partial B| \quad \text{sufficiently fast.}$$

**Theorem:** If  $\sigma \in \text{int}(V_{\mathcal{J}}^+)$  then there is an open ball  $B_r(\sigma) \subset \text{int}(V_{\mathcal{J}}^+)$  about  $\sigma$  of radius  $r > 0$  such that, for all  $\tau, \gamma \in B_r(\sigma)$ ,

$$\|F_{p,h}(\tau) - F_{p,h}(\gamma) - F'_{p,h}(\gamma)[\tau - \gamma]\|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{E}_p)} \lesssim \|\tau - \gamma\| \|F'_{p,h}(\gamma)[\tau - \gamma]\|_{\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{E}_p)}$$

uniformly for all  $p \geq \mathbf{p}_{\mathcal{J}}(r + \|\sigma\|)$  and all  $0 < h \leq h_{\max}(r + \|\sigma\|)$ , that is, neither the involved constant nor the radius  $r$  depend on  $p$  or on  $h$ .

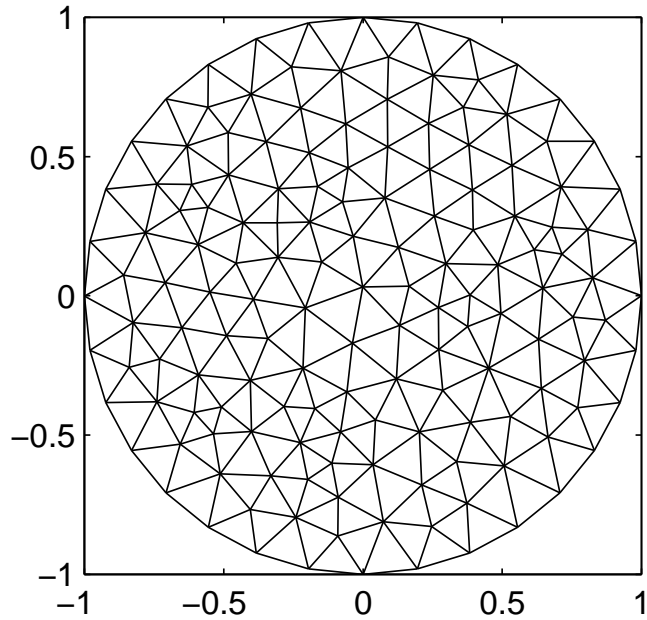


# Consequence

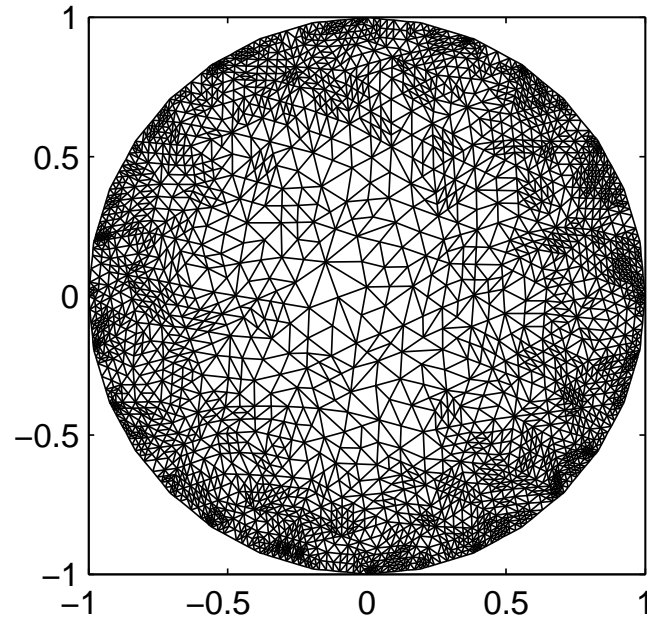
The inexact Newton solver REGINN converges locally when applied to the inverse EIT problem under CEM (provided the spaces  $\mathcal{E}_p$  and  $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}}$  are rich enough).

# Numerical examples

# FE meshes for 16 electrodes

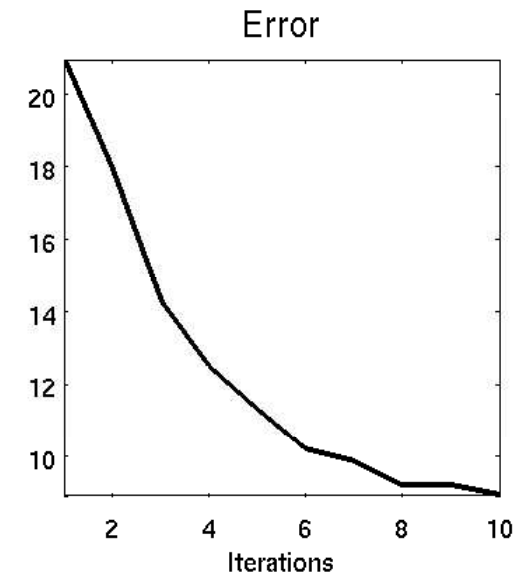
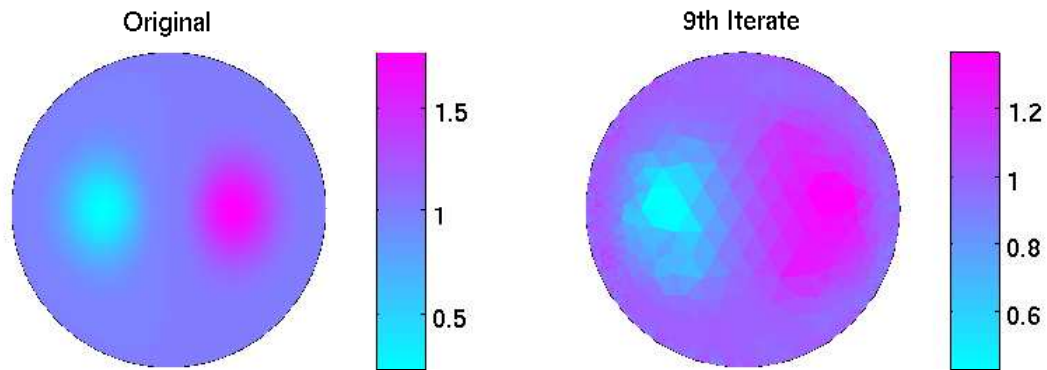


Finite element mesh  $\mathcal{T}$

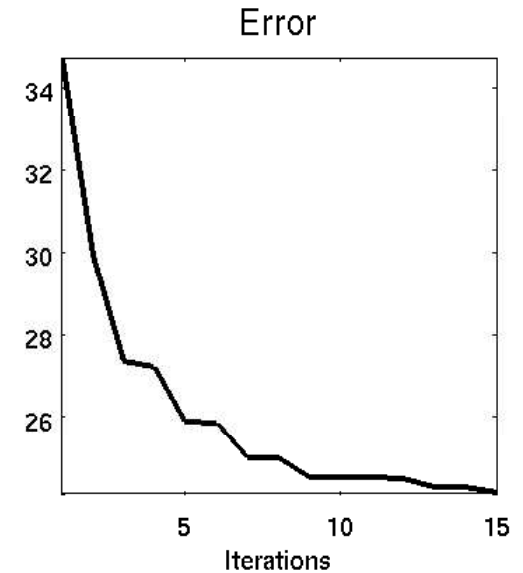
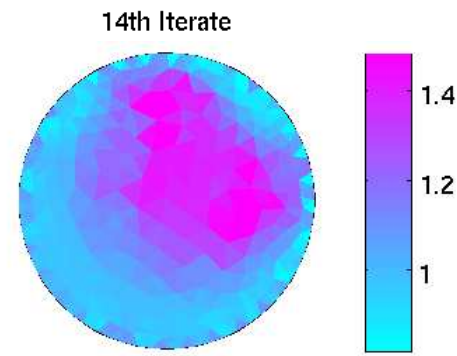
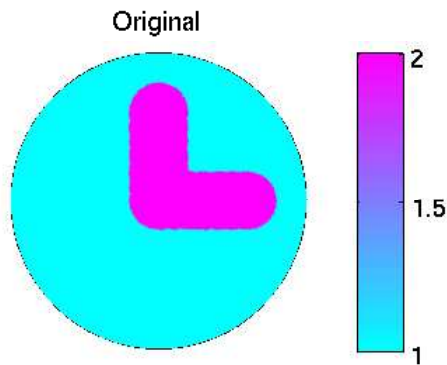


Finite element mesh  $\mathcal{H}$

# 64 electrodes, 1% artificial noise



# 32 electrodes, 0.5% artificial noise



$n$	$i_n$	$\mu_n$	$L^2$ -error in %
0	0	—	34.72
1	2	0.799	29.92
2	4	0.799	27.35
3	3	0.899	27.20
4	6	0.871	25.88
5	2	0.935	25.84
6	6	0.906	25.01
7	1	0.968	25.00

$n$	$i_n$	$\mu_n$	$L^2$ -error in %
8	6	0.938	24.52
9	1	0.989	24.52
10	2	0.958	24.50
11	1	0.978	24.50
12	5	0.948	24.30
13	1	0.989	24.29
14	5	0.958	24.15
15	1	0.991	24.15

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