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## **Improved local convergence analysis of the Landweber iteration in Banach spaces**

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**Abstract.** The convergence analysis of the Landweber iteration for solving inverse problems in Banach spaces via Hölder stability estimates is well studied by de Hoop et al. (Inverse Probl 28(4):045001, 2012) in the presence of unperturbed data. For real life problems, it is important to study the convergence analysis in the presence of perturbed data. In this paper, we show that the convergence analysis of the Landweber iteration can also be studied by utilizing the Hölder stability estimates in the presence of perturbed data. Furthermore, as a by-product, we formulate the convergence rates of the Landweber iteration without utilizing any additional smoothness condition. This shows the advantage of Hölder stability estimates over a tangential cone condition in the theory of inverse problems.

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## **1. Introduction and main result.**

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**1.1. Background and main problem.** Let  $F: D(F) \subset B_1 \to B_2$  be a nonlinear operator between Banach spaces  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ . Here  $D(F)$  represents the domain of  $F$ . In this paper, we are concerned about the solution of following equation:

<span id="page-0-0"></span>
$$
F(u) = v, \quad u \in D(F), \ v \in B_2. \tag{1.1}
$$

For practical applications, it is known that  $v$  is never available. Instead some perturbed data  $v^{\delta}$  fulfilling  $||v^{\delta}-v|| < \delta$  is available, where  $\delta > 0$ . Consequently, [\(1.1\)](#page-0-0) is ill-posed due to no continuous dependence between the solution and data. We assume that [\(1.1\)](#page-0-0) has a solution. Let it be represented by  $u^{\dagger}$ . To approximately solve [\(1.1\)](#page-0-0), a number of regularization methods are known in

Hilbert as well as Banach spaces (cf.  $[2-6, 8, 10, 17]$  $[2-6, 8, 10, 17]$  $[2-6, 8, 10, 17]$  $[2-6, 8, 10, 17]$  $[2-6, 8, 10, 17]$ ). A well known and classical regularization method is the Landweber iteration [\[7](#page-6-4)[,17](#page-7-0)]:

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
J_p(u_{r+1}) = J_p(u_r) - \mu F'(u_r)^* j_p(F(u_r) - v), \quad u_{r+1} = J_q^*(J_p(u_{r+1})), \ r \ge 0.
$$
\n(1.2)

Here  $F'(u_r)$  is the Fréchet derivative of F at  $u_r$ ,  $F'(u_r)^*$  is the adjoint of  $F'(u_r)$ ,  $u_0$  is an initial guess of the exact solution  $u^{\dagger}$ ,  $p>1$ , p and q are conjugate exponents, and  $J_p: B_1 \to 2^{B_1^*}$  defined as  $J_p(u) := \{u^* \in B_1^* \mid \langle u, u^* \rangle =$  $||u||^p$ ,  $||u^*|| = ||u||^{p-1}$  is the duality mapping of  $B_1$  with the gauge function  $s \to s^{p-1}$ . For a gauge function  $s \to s^{q-1}$ , the corresponding duality mapping  $J_q^*: B_1^* \to B_1$  is the inverse of  $J_p$ . The convergence analysis of  $(1.2)$  is well studied by utilizing a tangential cone condition [\[4\]](#page-6-5) in Hilbert as well as Banach spaces  $[10,17]$  $[10,17]$  $[10,17]$ . In addition, the convergence rates for this method have been obtained by incorporating the source conditions and variational inequalities [\[10](#page-6-3),[17\]](#page-7-0). Recently, de Hoop et al. [\[7](#page-6-4)] studied the convergence analysis of [\(1.2\)](#page-1-0) by utilizing the following Hölder-type stability:

<span id="page-1-1"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u,\tilde{u}) \le \mathfrak{A}^p \|F(u) - F(\tilde{u})\|^{\frac{p(1+\epsilon)}{2}}, \quad \forall u, \ \tilde{u} \in \mathcal{B}_\rho(u^\dagger), \tag{1.3}
$$

where  $\epsilon \in [0, 1], p > 1, \mathfrak{A} > 0, \Delta_p(u, \bar{u})$  is the Bregman distance of  $\bar{u}$  from u and it is given by

$$
\Delta_p(u, \bar{u}) := p^{-1} ||\bar{u}||^p - p^{-1} ||u||^p - \langle J_p(u), \bar{u} - u \rangle.
$$

Here, we assume that  $\mathcal{B}_{\rho}(u^{\dagger}) := {\bar{u} \in B_1 : \Delta_p(\bar{u}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \rho} \subset D(F)$  for some  $\rho > 0$ . However, the convergence analysis of the perturbed version of  $(1.2)$ , i.e.,

<span id="page-1-2"></span>
$$
J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) = J_p(u_r^{\delta}) - \mu F'(u_r^{\delta})^* j_p(F(u_r^{\delta}) - v^{\delta}), \quad u_{r+1}^{\delta} = J_q^*(J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})), \quad r \ge 0,
$$
\n(1.4)

is not yet studied in the literature via the stability estimates [\(1.3\)](#page-1-1). In this paper, we fill this important gap in the literature. The importance of studying the convergence analysis of an iterative method via stability estimates is that these provide the convergence rates without the requirement of any additional smoothness condition. This is in contrary to the standard analysis. We refer to [\[11](#page-7-1)[–15\]](#page-7-2) for studying the convergence analysis of several other regularization methods through stability estimates. Very recently, Jin [\[9](#page-6-6)] studied the convergence rates for the method [\(1.4\)](#page-1-2) in Banach spaces for linear ill-posed problems with perturbed data.

To this end, we recall some basic definitions and known results related to our work (see [\[11](#page-7-1)[,17](#page-7-0)] for more details). For  $u \in B_1$  and  $\zeta \in B_1^*$ , we write  $\langle \zeta, u \rangle = \zeta(u)$  for the duality pairing. In this paper, in order to ensure the well-definedness of the method  $(1.4)$ , we require the following definitions of the modulus of convexity  $\delta_{B_1}(\cdot)$  and the modulus of smoothness  $\rho_{B_1}(\cdot)$ :

$$
\delta_{B_1}(\epsilon) := \inf_{0 \le \epsilon \le 2} \left\{ (2 - \|u + \bar{u}\|) : u, \bar{u} \in \mathbb{S}, \|u - \bar{u}\| \ge \epsilon \right\},
$$
  

$$
\rho_{B_1}(\tau) := \sup_{\tau \ge 0} \left\{ (\|u + \tau \tilde{u}\| + \|u - \tau \tilde{u}\| - 2) : u, \tilde{u} \in \mathbb{S} \right\}.
$$

Here S denotes the boundary of the unit sphere in  $B_1$ . We say that  $B_1$  is pconvex if  $\delta_{B_1}(\epsilon) \geq C_1 \epsilon^p$  for all  $\epsilon \in [0,2]$ , where  $p \geq 0$  and  $C_1 > 0$ . Further, we say that  $B_1$  is q-smooth if  $\rho_{B_1}(\tau) \leq C_2 \tau^q$  for all  $\tau \geq 0$ , where  $q > 1$  and  $C_2 > 0$ . Also,  $B_1$  is uniformly convex if for any  $\epsilon \in (0, 2], \delta_{B_1}(\epsilon) > 0$  and it is uniformly smooth if  $\lim_{\tau \to 0} \rho_{B_1}(\tau) \tau^{-1} = 0$ . We note that  $B_1$  is uniformly convex if and only if  $B_1^*$  is uniformly smooth. Moreover, any uniformly convex or uniformly smooth Banach space is reflexive. We emphasize that uniform smoothness of  $B_1$  guarantees that  $J_n(u)$  is single valued for all  $u \in B_1$ , i.e., the method [\(1.4\)](#page-1-2) becomes well-defined.

<span id="page-2-4"></span>Finally, we recall a known result that will be utilized in our work.

**Lemma 1** ([\[7](#page-6-4)[,16](#page-7-3)])*. Let* B<sup>1</sup> *be a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space. Then, for all*  $u, \bar{u} \in B_1$  *and*  $u^*, \bar{u}^* \in B_1^*$ *, we have:* 

- (1)  $\Delta_p(u, \bar{u}) \geq 0$  *and*  $\Delta_p(u, \bar{u}) = 0 \iff u = \bar{u}$ .
- (2) *If*  $B_1$  *is* p-convex, then  $\Delta_p(u, \bar{u}) \geq C_3 p^{-1} ||u \bar{u}||^p$ , where  $C_3 > 0$  *is a constant.*
- (3) *If*  $B_1^*$  *is* q-smooth, then  $\Delta_q(u^*, \bar{u}^*) \leq C_4 q^{-1} ||u^* \bar{u}^*||^q$ , where  $C_4 > 0$  *is a constant.*
- (4) *The following are equivalent*: (a)  $\lim_{r\to\infty} ||u_r u|| = 0$ . (b)  $\lim_{r\to\infty}$  $\Delta_p(u_r, u) = 0.$  (c)  $\lim_{r \to \infty} ||u_r|| = ||u||$  and  $\lim_{r\to\infty}\langle J_p(u_r),u\rangle=\langle J_p(u),u\rangle.$
- (5)  $\Delta_p(u, \tilde{u}) = p^{-1} \|\tilde{u}\|^p + q^{-1} \|u\|^p \langle J_p(u), \tilde{u} \rangle = p^{-1} \|\tilde{u}\|^p p^{-1} \|u\|^p \langle J_n(u), \tilde{u} \rangle + ||u||^p.$

**1.2. Main result.** In order to formulate our main result, we discuss certain assumptions. With the gauge function  $s \to s^{p-1}$ , we assume that  $j_p$  denotes the single valued selection of the duality mapping. For the method [\(1.4\)](#page-1-2), we engage the following well known discrepancy criterion:

<span id="page-2-0"></span>
$$
||v^{\delta} - F(u^{\delta}_{r_*})|| \le \tau \delta < ||v^{\delta} - F(u^{\delta}_{r})||, \quad 0 \le r < r_*, \tag{1.5}
$$

where  $\tau > 1$  satisfies

<span id="page-2-1"></span>
$$
1 - \frac{2}{\tau} - \frac{1}{2\tau^p} > 0\tag{1.6}
$$

<span id="page-2-3"></span>and  $r_* = r_*(\delta, v^{\delta})$  is the stopping index. The utilization of  $(1.5)$  yields  $r_*$  and  $u_{r_*}^{\delta}$  which is the required approximate solution. Our main result is as follows:

**Theorem 1.** Let  $B_1$  be p-convex and q-smooth with conjugate exponents 1  $\lt$  $p, q < \infty$  and let  $B_2$  be an arbitrary Banach space. Moreover, we assume:

(1) *For all*  $u, \bar{u} \in \mathcal{B}_{\rho}(u^{\dagger}),$  *it holds that* 

<span id="page-2-2"></span>
$$
||F'(u) - F'(\bar{u})|| \leq C_5 ||u - \bar{u}||, \quad \text{where } C_5 > 0.
$$
 (1.7)

- (2) For all  $u \in \mathcal{B}_{\rho}(u^{\dagger}),$  *it holds that*  $||F'(u)|| \leq C_6$ , *where*  $C_6 > 0$ .
- (3)  $u^{\dagger}$  *is a solution of* [\(1.1\)](#page-0-0) *such that*  $\Delta_p(u_0, u^{\dagger}) \leq \rho$  *for*

$$
\rho^{\frac{1}{p}} = 2^{-p\epsilon} \mathcal{C}_6^{-1} (\mathcal{C}_3 \mathfrak{A}^2)^{-\frac{1}{\epsilon}} (p^{-1} \mathcal{C}_3)^{(1+\frac{2}{\epsilon})\frac{1}{p}}.
$$
\n(1.8)

(4)  $\mu$  *in* [\(1.4\)](#page-1-2) *is such that* 

<span id="page-3-4"></span>
$$
\mu < \left(\frac{q}{2C_4C_6}\right)^{\frac{1}{q-1}} \text{ and } 4C_4C_6^q q^{-1} \mu^{q-1} < 1. \tag{1.9}
$$

(5) *The Hölder stability estimate* [\(1.3\)](#page-1-1) *and* [\(1.5\)](#page-2-0) *hold with*  $\tau$  *the same as in* [\(1.6\)](#page-2-1)*.*

*Further*, *assume that*

$$
\mathfrak{R} := 1 - \frac{2}{\tau} - \frac{1}{2\tau^p}.
$$
\n(1.10)

*Then*, *we have*:

- (a)  $For\ 0 \leq r < r_*,\ \Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}).$
- (b) *The stopping index* r<sup>∗</sup> *is finite.*
- (c) *Moreover*, *for a given*  $\delta > 0$ , *if*  $\rho > 0$  *is such that*  $\rho \leq C_7 \delta^p$  *for some*  $C_7 > 0$ , then the following convergence rates can be derived:

$$
\Delta_p(u_{r_*}^\delta, u^\dagger) \leq \mathcal{C}_8 \delta^p,
$$

*where*  $C_8 = C_7 - r_* \frac{\mu \Re}{2}$ .

*Proof.* We engage the fundamental theorem of the Fréchet derivative along with  $(1.7)$  to deduce that

<span id="page-3-2"></span>
$$
||F(u_r^{\delta}) - v^{\delta} - F'(u_{r+1}^{\delta})(u_{r+1}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger})|| \leq \delta + \frac{\mathcal{C}_5}{2} ||u_{r+1}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger}||^2. \tag{1.11}
$$

It is known that  $\Delta_p(u_0, u^{\dagger}) \leq \rho$ . Suppose by the induction principle that

 $\Delta_p(u_s^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \rho \text{ for } s = 0, 1, \dots, r.$ 

We claim that  $\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \rho$ . Using induction, the mean value inequality, (2) of Theorem [1](#page-2-3) and (2) of Lemma [1,](#page-2-4) we obtain

<span id="page-3-3"></span>
$$
||F(u_s^{\delta}) - v|| \leq C_6 (pC_3^{-1})^{\frac{1}{p}} \Delta_p(u_s^{\delta}, u^{\dagger})^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq C_6 (pC_3^{-1})^{\frac{1}{p}} \rho^{\frac{1}{p}}, \tag{1.12}
$$

where  $s = 0, 1, \ldots, r$ . Next, by taking  $\bar{u}^* = J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})$  and  $u^* = J_p(u_r^{\delta})$  in (3) of Lemma [1,](#page-2-4) we derive that

<span id="page-3-0"></span>
$$
\Delta_q(J_p(u_r^{\delta}), J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})) \le C_4 q^{-1} \|J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta})\|^q. \tag{1.13}
$$

After applying (5) of Lemma [1](#page-2-4) and the result that  $J_p^{-1}(u^*) = J_q^*(u^*)$  along with the definition of the duality mapping, we note that

$$
\Delta_q(J_p(u_r^{\delta}), J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}))
$$
\n
$$
= q^{-1} ||J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})||^q - q^{-1} ||J_p(u_r^{\delta})||^q - \langle J_q^*(J_p(u_r^{\delta})), J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) \rangle + ||J_p(u_r^{\delta})||^q
$$
\n
$$
= q^{-1} ||J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})||^q - q^{-1} ||J_p(u_r^{\delta})||^q - \langle J_q^*(J_p(u_r^{\delta})), J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) \rangle + ||u_r^{\delta}||^p
$$
\n
$$
= q^{-1} ||J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})||^q - q^{-1} ||J_p(u_r^{\delta})||^q - \langle J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta}), u_r^{\delta} \rangle.
$$

Plugging [\(1.13\)](#page-3-0) in the last estimate we deduce that

<span id="page-3-1"></span>
$$
q^{-1}(\|J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})\|^q - \|J_p(u_r^{\delta})\|^q)
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq \Delta_q(J_p(u_r^{\delta}), J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})) + \langle J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta}), u_r^{\delta} \rangle
$$
  
\n
$$
\leq C_4 q^{-1} \|J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta})\|^q + \langle J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta}), u_r^{\delta} \rangle. \tag{1.14}
$$

Again we note from (5) of Lemma [1](#page-2-4) that

<span id="page-4-0"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) = q^{-1}(||J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta})||^q - ||J_p(u_r^{\delta})||^q) \n- \langle J_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}) - J_p(u_r^{\delta}), u^{\dagger} \rangle.
$$
\n(1.15)

By combining  $(1.14)$  and  $(1.15)$ , we note that

$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^\delta, u^\dagger) - \Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger) \leq C_4 q^{-1} ||J_p(u_{r+1}^\delta) - J_p(u_r^\delta)||^q
$$
  
 
$$
+ \langle J_p(u_{r+1}^\delta) - J_p(u_r^\delta), u_r^\delta - u^\dagger \rangle.
$$

We incorporate  $(1.4)$  and assumption  $(2)$  of Theorem [1](#page-2-3) in the last inequality to derive that

<span id="page-4-1"></span>
$$
\Delta_{p}(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \Delta_{p}(u_{r}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq C_{4}(\mathcal{C}_{6}\mu)^{q}q^{-1}||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} - \mu\langle j_{p}(\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}), F'(u_{r}^{\delta})(u_{r}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger})\rangle \n= C_{4}(\mathcal{C}_{6}\mu)^{q}q^{-1}||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} - \mu\langle j_{p}(\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}), \mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}\rangle + \mu\langle j_{p}(\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}), \mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta} - F'(u_{r}^{\delta})(u_{r}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger})\rangle \n\leq C_{4}(\mathcal{C}_{6}\mu)^{q}q^{-1}||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} - \mu||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} + \mu||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p-1}||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta} - F'(u_{r}^{\delta})(u_{r}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger})|| \n\leq C_{4}(\mathcal{C}_{6}\mu)^{q}q^{-1}||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} - \mu||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p} + \mu||\mathcal{A}_{r}^{\delta}||^{p-1}\left(\delta + \frac{\mathcal{C}_{5}}{2}||u_{r+1}^{\delta} - u^{\dagger}||^{2}\right), (1.16)
$$

where  $\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta} = F(u_r^{\delta}) - v^{\delta}$  and the last inequality holds due to [\(1.11\)](#page-3-2) and the definition of the duality mapping. We plug the Hölder stability estimate  $(1.3)$ and  $(2)$  of Lemma [1](#page-2-4) in  $(1.16)$  to further write it as

$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \le \frac{1}{2} (2C_4(C_6\mu)^q q^{-1} - \mu) ||\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}||^p - \frac{\mu}{2} ||\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}||^p
$$
  
+  $\mu \delta ||\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}||^{p-1} + \frac{\mu}{2} C_5 \mathfrak{A}^2 (pC_3^{-1})^{\frac{2}{p}} ||F(u_r^{\delta}) - v||^{p+\epsilon}.$ 

Inserting  $(1.12)$  in the last estimate, we derive that

<span id="page-4-2"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \le \frac{1}{2} (2C_4(C_6\mu)^q q^{-1} - \mu) \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^p - \frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^p
$$

$$
+ \mu \delta \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^{p-1} + \frac{\mu}{2} C_5 \mathfrak{A}^2(p C_3^{-1})^{\frac{1}{p}} (C_6(p C_3^{-1})^{\frac{1}{p}} \rho^{\frac{1}{p}})^{\epsilon} \|F(u_r^{\delta}) - v\|^p. \tag{1.17}
$$

Using  $(1.9)$  and the estimate

<span id="page-4-5"></span>
$$
(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^p \le 2^{p-1}(\alpha_1^p + \alpha_2^p) \quad \text{for } \alpha_1, \alpha_2 \ge 0, \ p \ge 1 \tag{1.18}
$$

in [\(1.17\)](#page-4-2), we get

<span id="page-4-3"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^\delta, u^\dagger) - \Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger) \le -\frac{\mu}{2} \|\mathcal{A}_r^\delta\|^p + \mu \delta \|\mathcal{A}_r^\delta\|^{p-1} + \frac{\mu}{4} \delta^p
$$

$$
+ \frac{1}{2} \left( 2\mathcal{C}_4 (\mathcal{C}_6 \mu)^q q^{-1} - \mu + \frac{\mu}{2} \right) \|\mathcal{A}_r^\delta\|^p. (1.19)
$$

By incorporating the discrepancy principle  $(1.5)$  and  $(1.9)$  in  $(1.19)$ , we obtain

<span id="page-4-4"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^\delta, u^\dagger) - \Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger) \le -\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{2}{\tau} - \frac{1}{2\tau^p} \right) \mu \| \mathcal{A}_r^\delta \|^p, \tag{1.20}
$$

where  $r+1 \leq r_*$ . This and the choice of  $\tau$  mentioned in [\(1.6\)](#page-2-1) together with the induction hypothesis guarantee that  $\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) < \rho$ . Therefore, our claim holds which completes the proof of assertion (a).

Next, we show that the stopping index  $r_* < \infty$ . For this, we incorporate  $(1.9)$  and  $(1.20)$  to write

$$
\frac{\Re}{2}\mu \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^p \leq \Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \Delta_p(u_{r+1}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}).
$$

Summing this from  $r = 0$  to  $r^* - 1$ , we deduce that

$$
\sum_{r=0}^{r^*-1} \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^p \leq \frac{2}{\mu \mathfrak{R}} \Delta_p(u_0, u^{\dagger}).
$$

This, the choice of  $u_0$ , and  $(1.5)$  yield

$$
r_*(\tau\delta)^p \leq \sum_{r=0}^{r^*-1} \|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^p \leq \frac{2}{\mu\mathfrak{R}}\Delta_p(u_0, u^{\dagger}) \leq \frac{2\rho}{\mu\mathfrak{R}}.
$$

We note that as  $\frac{2\rho}{\mu\Re} < \infty$  and both  $\tau, \delta$  are positive quantities,  $r_*$  can never be infinite. This proves assertion (b).

To this end, we deduce the convergence rates for the method [\(1.4\)](#page-1-2). It follows from the Hölder stability estimate  $(1.3)$  that

$$
\Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \mathfrak{A}^p \|F(u_r^{\delta}) - F(u^{\dagger})\|^{\frac{p(1+\epsilon)}{2}}.
$$

This with a slightly modified version of  $(1.18)$  (i.e.,  $(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)^p \leq 2^p(\alpha_1^p + \alpha_2^p)$ for  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \geq 0$ ,  $p \geq 0$ ) implies that

$$
\Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq 2^{p_1} \mathfrak{A}^p (\|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^{p_1} + \delta^{p_1}) \implies -\|\mathcal{A}_r^{\delta}\|^{p_1} \leq -\frac{\Delta_p(u_r^{\delta}, u^{\dagger})}{2^{p_1} \mathfrak{A}^p} + \delta^{p_1},
$$

where  $p_1 = \frac{p(1+\epsilon)}{2}$ . Inserting the last estimate in [\(1.20\)](#page-4-4), we obtain

<span id="page-5-0"></span>
$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^\delta, u^\dagger) - \Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger) \le -\frac{1}{2} \mu \Re \left( \frac{\Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger)}{2^{p_1} \mathfrak{A}^p} + \delta^{p_1} \right)^{\frac{2}{1+\epsilon}}.
$$
 (1.21)

With some minor rearrangements,  $(1.21)$  leads to

$$
\Delta_p(u_{r+1}^\delta, u^\dagger) \leq \Delta_p(u_r^\delta, u^\dagger) - \frac{\mu \mathfrak{R}}{2} \delta^p.
$$

Consequently, by the induction hypothesis, we derive that

$$
\Delta_p(u_{r_*}^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) \leq \Delta_p(u_0^{\delta}, u^{\dagger}) - \frac{\mu \mathfrak{R}}{2} r_* \delta^p.
$$

From the last inequality, we can deduce the convergence rates in assertion (c) which completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

**Remark 1.** The assumptions considered in our work are standard and similar to [\[7\]](#page-6-4). Consequently, our results are applicable on a severely ill-posed inverse conductivity problem related to electrical impedance tomography (EIT) [\[1\]](#page-6-7). de Hoop et al. [\[7\]](#page-6-4) showed that the inverse conductivity problem fulfills a Hölder stability estimate [\(1.3\)](#page-1-1) for  $p = 2$  and  $\epsilon = 1$ . In addition to this, it is also known that the operator associated with this inverse conductivity problem fulfills (1) and (2) of Theorem [1.](#page-2-3) Therefore, by carefully choosing the other parameters such as  $\tau$ ,  $\mu$  etc., one can apply our results on the inverse conductivity problem. **2. Conclusion and future scope.** In this paper, we have shown that one can obtain the convergence rates of the Landweber iteration method through stability estimates in the presence of perturbed data without the utilization of any additional smoothness concept. This paper fills an important gap in the literature. With this paper, the study of convergence analysis of the Landweber method for perturbed as well as unperturbed data via stability estimates is complete. One of the most important future tasks in the direction of studying the convergence analysis via stability estimates is to derive the optimal convergence rates. In this direction, the optimality conditions discussed in [\[4](#page-6-5)[,17](#page-7-0)] can be used as a reference.

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