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INDEFINITE TRUST REGION SUBPROBLEMS, INTERIOR POINT METHODS, AND MAX-MIN EIGENVALUE PROBLEMS

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OUTLINE

- extend trust region theory in two ways:
indefinite and 2-sided constraints
- applications to bounds for 0-1 quadratic programming
- interior point numerical algorithm over the positive semidefinite cone of matrices

TRUST REGION METHODS

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(x)$$

Newton's Method (possible indefinite Hessians)
model based (at current estimate x_c)

$$f(x) \approx$$

$$m_c(x) := f(x_c) + g_c^t(x - x_c) + \frac{1}{2}(x - x_c)^t B_c(x - x_c)$$

$$B_c \approx \nabla^2 f(x_c), \quad g_c = \nabla f(x_c)$$

TRUST REGION SUBPROBLEM

$$\min q_c(d) := g_c^t d + \frac{1}{2} d^t B_c d$$

$$\text{subject to } \|D_c d\| \leq \delta_c$$

(unlike Newton's method - not scale invariant)

Special Case

$$\mu = \min_{||x||=1} x^t B x$$

$$L(x, \lambda) = x^t B x - \lambda(x^t x - 1) \quad (\text{Lagrangian})$$

$$\nabla_x L(x, \lambda) = 0 = Bx - \lambda x$$

$$\implies Bx = \lambda x \quad (\text{eigenvalue-eigenvector})$$

$$\mu = x^t B x = \lambda x^t x = \lambda \rightarrow \min$$

We get the smallest eigenvalue.

Nonconvex problem

IFF characterization of **GLOBAL** minimum

Local Minima? (NONE)

General Trust Region Subproblem:

$$(P) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \mu^* := \min & \mu(y) := y^t B y - 2\psi^t y \\ \text{subject to} & \beta \leq y^t C y \leq \alpha, \ y \in \Re^n \end{array}$$

B, C symmetric, possibly indefinite

$$-\infty \leq \beta \leq \alpha \leq \infty$$

- **characterize** global min
- concave max dual problem with no duality gap
- (can characterize local min)
(connections to eigenvalue perturbation problems)

THEOREM y feasible point and CQ:

$$Cy = 0 \text{ implies } \beta < 0 < \alpha.$$

Then y global minimum

iff

there exists $\lambda \in \Re$ such that

$$(B - \lambda C)y = \psi \text{ (stationarity),}$$

$$B - \lambda C \geq 0 \text{ (Hessian nonneg def),}$$

and

$$\lambda(\beta - y^t C y) \geq 0 \geq \lambda(y^t C y - \alpha) \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{compl slack} \\ \text{mult sign} \end{array} \right)$$

$$B - \lambda C > 0 \text{ implies unique min}$$

necessary condition for optimality:

$$\exists \hat{\lambda} \in \Re \text{ s.t. } B - \hat{\lambda}C \geq 0.$$

Define:

regular case or the positive definite pencil case

$$\exists \hat{\lambda} \in \Re \text{ s.t. } B - \hat{\lambda}C > 0$$

Ignore the irregular case since:

- (i) The set of t where $B - tC$ is positive definite is an open interval which is bounded if and only if C is indefinite.
- (ii) In the irregular case with the function $\det(B - tC)$ not identically 0 in t , there is only one value $\hat{\lambda}$ such that $B - \hat{\lambda}C \geq 0$ holds.

Existence or boundedness
equivalent to
positive semidefinite pencil

THEOREM (EXISTENCE-BOUNDEDNESS)
 C nonsingular

- (P) possesses a minimizing point and $\max\{|\alpha|, |\beta|\} > 0$ implies positive semidefinite pencil condition holds.
- Conversely, positive semidefinite pencil condition and regular implies minimizing point exists

DUALITY

We now present a **dual problem** for (P) which is a true **concave maximization** programming problem. This illustrates that (P) is an **implicit convex program** and shows why the **global minimum** can be **characterized** and found efficiently.

Note that if y^* solves (P) with optimal Lagrange multiplier λ^* , then being in the **easy case** implies that $y^* = (B - \lambda^*C)^{-1}\psi$.

THEOREM (DUALITY)

- $y^*, \lambda^*, \mu^* = \mu(y^*)$ optimal

- Lagrangian function

$$L(y, \nu, \omega) = \mu(y) + \nu(\alpha - y^t C y) + \omega(y^t C y - \beta)$$

- Lagrange dual functional

$$\phi(\nu, \omega) = \inf L(y, \nu, \omega)$$

- quadratic dual functional

$$h(\nu, \omega) = \nu\alpha - \omega\beta - \psi^t (B - \nu C + \omega C)^{-1} \psi$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^* &= \max_{\nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0} \phi(\nu, \omega) \\ &= \sup_{\substack{B - \nu C + \omega C > 0 \\ \nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0}} h(\nu, \omega) \end{aligned}$$

Proof If $B - \nu C + \omega C > 0$, then $\phi(\nu, \omega)$ is finite. Moreover, $L(y, \nu, \omega) = \phi(\nu, \omega)$ for $y = (B - \nu C + \omega C)^{-1}\psi$. Substituting for y in L yields

$$h(\nu, \omega) = \phi(\nu, \omega).$$

Now if z is feasible for (P), then for all nonpositive ν, ω we have $\phi(\nu, \omega) \leq L(z, \nu, \omega) \leq \mu(z)$. We now have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^* &= \min_{z \text{ feasible}} \mu(z) \\ &\geq \sup_{\nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0} \phi(\nu, \omega), \\ &= \sup_{\substack{B - \nu C + \omega C \geq 0 \\ \nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0}} \phi(\nu, \omega) \\ &\geq \sup_{\substack{B - \nu C + \omega C > 0 \\ \nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0}} h(\nu, \omega). \end{aligned}$$

Now, from the optimality conditions, there exists an optimal multiplier λ^* . Let ν^* and ω^* be chosen as in the statement of the Theorem. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mu^* &= L(y^*, \nu^*, \omega^*) \\ &= \phi(\nu^*, \omega^*) \\ &\leq \max_{\nu \leq 0, \omega \leq 0} \phi(\nu, \omega),\end{aligned}$$

i.e. this and the previous equations imply that the first equality holds.

If the easy case holds, i.e. $y^* = (B - \lambda^* C)^{-1} \psi$, then

$$h(\nu^*, \omega^*) = L(y^*, \nu^*, \omega^*) = \mu^*.$$

The conclusion follows.

Now suppose that the hard case holds, i.e. $B - \lambda^*C$ is singular. Equivalently, $D - \lambda^*S$ is singular, where $T^tBT = D$ and $T^tCT = S$ are both diagonal, T nonsingular. Let $\bar{y} = T(D - \lambda^*S)^\dagger T^t\psi$, where $\dagger$ denotes the Moore-Penrose generalized inverse. From the optimality conditions, we have that $\psi \in R(B - \lambda^*C)$. Let $\lambda_k \rightarrow \lambda^*$ with $B - \lambda_kC$ positive definite. Let ν_k, ω_k correspond to λ_k as ν^*, ω^* corresponds to λ^* . Then, from the simultaneous diagonalization, we conclude that

$$y_k = (B - \lambda_kC)^{-1}\psi = T(D - \lambda_kS)^{-1}T^t\psi \rightarrow \bar{y}.$$

Moreover, $y^* = \bar{y} + z$ for some z in the null space of $B - \lambda^* C$, and we also have $z \perp \psi$. Now $L(y, \nu, \omega) = y^t(B - \nu C - \omega C)y - 2\psi^t y + \nu\alpha - \omega\beta$. So

$$h(\nu_k, \omega_k) = L(y_k, \nu_k, \omega_k) \rightarrow L(\bar{y}, \nu^*, \omega^*)$$

and this equals

$$L(y^*, \nu^*, \omega^*) = \mu^*.$$

Attainment follows directly from the optimality conditions.

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duality result with only one multiplier

COROLLARY

$$\bar{h}(\lambda) = -(-\lambda)_+ \alpha + (\lambda)_+ \beta - \psi^t(B - \lambda C)^\dagger \psi,$$

where

$$(\lambda)_+ = \begin{cases} \lambda & \text{if } \lambda \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then

$$\mu^* = \max_{B - \lambda C \geq 0} \bar{h}(\lambda).$$

Standard trust region subproblem

COROLLARY $C = I, \beta < 0 < \alpha$

$$\bar{g}(\lambda) = \lambda\alpha - \psi^t(B - \lambda C)^\dagger \psi.$$

Then

$$\mu^* = \sup_{B - \lambda C > 0, \lambda \leq 0} \bar{g}(\lambda).$$

In addition, in the hard case,

$$\mu^* = \sup_{B - \lambda C > 0, \lambda \leq 0} \bar{g}(\lambda) = \max_{B - \lambda C \geq 0, \lambda \leq 0} \bar{g}(\lambda).$$

LOCAL-NONGLOBAL MINIMA

(extension of results of Mario Martinez)

LEMMA Suppose that y^* is a local-nonglobal minimizer of (P) and suppose that the pencil $B - \lambda C$ is regular and that the constraint qualification

$$Cy^* \neq 0$$

holds. Then

$$\lambda_{n-1}(B - \lambda^* C) > 0 > \lambda_n(B - \lambda^* C).$$

There are at most two local-nonglobal minima.

The existence of lngm implies easy case.

A local duality theory exists.

± 1 QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

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$$(P) \quad \mu^* := \max_{x \in F := \{-1, 1\}^n} q(x) := x^t Q x + c^t x,$$

Q $n \times n$ symmetric matrix, $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

- Relaxed Problem - $K \supset F$

$$(RP) \quad f(u) = \max_{x \in K} q_u(x) := x^t (Q - \text{diag}(u)) x + u^t e + c^t x,$$

- Solve Tractable Problem

$$B := \min_{u \in L} f(u)$$

- Upper Bound

$$\mu^* \leq B$$

Three Relaxations

relaxed problem

$$(RP_v^1) \quad f_1(v) := \max_{-1 \leq x \leq 1} q_v(x).$$

bound

$$B_1 := \min_{Q\text{-diag}(v) \leq 0} f_1(v).$$

relaxed problem

$$(RP_u^2) \quad f_2(u) := \max_{\|y\|^2 = n} q_u(y).$$

bound

$$B_2 := \min_{u^t e = 0} f_2(u) = \min_u f_2(u).$$

$$Q^c := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2}c^t \\ \frac{1}{2}c & Q \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$q_u^c(y) := y^t(Q^c - \text{diag}(u))y + u^t e$$

relaxed problem

$$\begin{aligned} (RP_u^3) \quad f_3(u) &:= \max_{\|y\|^2 = n+1} q_u^c(y) \\ &= (n+1)\lambda_{\max}(Q^c - \text{diag}(u)) + u^t e. \end{aligned}$$

bound

$$B_3 := \min_{u^t e = 0} f_3(u) = \min_u f_3(u).$$

BOUND 1 - Convex Quadratic Programming

Consider the shifted function

$$q_v(x) := x^t(Q - \text{diag}(v))x + v^t e + c^t x,$$

and the relaxed problem

$$(RP_v^1) \quad f_1(v) := \max_{-1 \leq x \leq 1} q_v(x).$$

Then a bound for (P) is

$$B_1 := \min_{Q - \text{diag}(v) \leq 0} f_1(v).$$

Properties for Bound B_1 .

1. $\mu^* \leq B_1$.

2. f_1 is convex, finite valued, with subdifferential

$$\partial f_1(v) = \text{conv}\{z = (1 - x_i^2) \in \mathbb{R}^n : x = (x_i) \in \mathbb{R}^n - 1 \leq x \leq 1, f_1(v) = q_v(x)\}.$$

3. B_1 is attained for some $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\lambda_{\max}(Q - \text{diag}(v)) = 0$.

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$$B_1 = \inf_{Q - \text{diag}(v) < 0} f_1(v).$$

Lagrangian

$$L_1(v, \Lambda) := f_1(v) + \text{trace} \Lambda (Q - \text{diag}(v)),$$

where Λ is a symmetric, positive semidefinite Lagrange multiplier matrix.

Optimality conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\in \partial f_1(v) - \text{diag}(\Lambda) && \text{(stationarity)} \\ \text{trace} \Lambda (Q - \text{diag}(v)) &= 0 && \text{(complementary slack)} \\ \Lambda &= \Lambda^t \geq 0 && \text{(multiplier sign)}. \end{aligned}$$

BOUND 2 - Optimization Over Sphere

$$q_u(y) := y^t(Q - \text{diag}(u))y + u^t e + c^t y,$$

the second relaxed problem

$$(RP_u^2) \quad f_2(u) := \max_{||y||^2=n} q_u(y).$$

Now a bound for (P) is

$$B_2 := \min_{u^t e=0} f_2(u) = \min_u f_2(u).$$

Properties for bound B_2 .

1. $\mu^* \leq B_2$.

2. f_2 is convex, finite valued, with subdifferential

$$\partial f_2(u) = \text{conv}\{z = (1 - y_i^2) \in \mathbb{R}^n : \\ y = (y_i) \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|y\|^2 = n, f_2(u) = q_v(y)\}.$$

3. The bound B_2 is attained for some $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
Moreover, if $B_2 > \mu^*$, then the hard case holds for (RP_u^2) .

THEOREM

The bound $B_1 = B_2$.

In fact:

$$\begin{aligned} f_2(u) &= q_u(y_u) \\ &\geq \max_{(-1 \leq y \leq 1)} q_{(u+\lambda e)}(y) \\ &= f_1(u + \lambda e) \end{aligned}$$

and

$B_2 = f_2(u)$, with Lagrange multiplier λ for (RP_u^2) if and only if $B_2 = f_2(u) = f_1(u + \lambda e) = B_1$.

THEOREM

Suppose that $f_4(v) := \max_{-1 \leq x \leq 1} q_v^c(x)$ and

$$B_4 := \min_{Q^c\text{-diag}(v) \leq 0} f_4(v).$$

Then

$$B_1 = B_2 = B_3 = B_4.$$

The *max-min eigenvalue problem* is:

$$(MMP) \quad \omega^* := \max_{v^t e = 0} \lambda_{\min}(C - \text{Diag}(v)).$$

It can be formulated as:

$$\omega^* = \max\{\omega : v^t e = 0, C - \text{Diag}(v) \succeq \omega I\}.$$

With $y = v + \omega e$, an equivalent problem is:

$$\max\{e^t y : C - \text{Diag}(y) \succeq 0\}.$$

The dual is the min-max of the Lagrangian

$$\min_{X \succeq 0} \max_y e^t y + \text{trace} X(C - \text{Diag}(y)).$$

or:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \text{trace} CX \\ \text{subject to} & \text{diag}(X) = e \\ & X \succeq 0. \end{array}$$

We get the dual pair of “linear type programs”

$$\begin{array}{ll}\max & e^t y \\ \text{subject to} & C - \text{Diag}(y) - Z = 0 \\ & Z \succeq 0.\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min & \text{trace} CX \\ \text{subject to} & \text{diag}(X) = e \\ & X \succeq 0.\end{array}$$

PRIMAL-DUAL INTERIOR POINT METHOD

The primal-dual log-barrier problem is then

$$(B) \quad \begin{aligned} \omega_{\mu}^* &= \max && e^t y + \mu \log \det(Z) \\ &\text{subject to} && C - \text{Diag}(y) - Z = 0. \end{aligned}$$

The Lagrangian $L(y, Z, X)$ is

$$e^t y + \mu \log \det(Z) + \text{trace} X (C - \text{Diag}(y) - Z),$$

while the optimality conditions $F(y, Z, X) = 0$ are:

$$\begin{aligned} e - \text{diag}(X) &= 0 && \text{(primal feasibility)} \\ -X + \mu Z^{-1} &= 0 && \text{(complementary slackness)} \\ C - \text{Diag}(y) - Z &= 0 && \text{(dual feasibility)} \\ Z \succeq 0, \quad X \succeq 0. &&& \end{aligned}$$

Apply Newton's method:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \text{diag}(\cdot) \\ 0 & \mu Z^{-1} \cdot Z^{-1} & I \\ \text{Diag}(\cdot) & I & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \delta y \\ \delta Z \\ \delta X \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (e - \text{diag}(X)) \\ (-X + \mu Z^{-1}) \\ (C - \text{Diag}(y) - Z) \end{pmatrix}.$$

simplify with $Z = C - \text{Diag}(y)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta y &= (\mu Z^{-1} \circ Z^{-1})^{-1} (e - \mu \text{diag}(Z^{-1})); \\ \delta Z &= -\text{Diag}(\delta y); \\ X + \delta X &= \mu Z^{-1} (Z + \text{Diag}(\delta y)) Z^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$