# **Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers**

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Distributed Optimization and Statistical Learning via the Alternating Direction Method of Multipliers (Boyd, Parikh, Chu, Peleato, Eckstein)

#### Goals

#### robust methods for

- ► arbitrary-scale optimization
  - machine learning/statistics with huge data-sets
  - dynamic optimization on large-scale network
- ► decentralized optimization
  - devices/processors/agents coordinate to solve large problem, by passing relatively small messages

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# **Dual problem**

convex equality constrained optimization problem

minimize 
$$f(x)$$
 subject to  $Ax = b$ 

- ► Lagrangian:  $L(x,y) = f(x) + y^T(Ax b)$
- ▶ dual function:  $g(y) = \inf_x L(x, y)$
- ▶ dual problem: maximize g(y)
- $\blacktriangleright \ \operatorname{recover} \ x^\star = \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x,y^\star)$

#### **Dual ascent**

- lacktriangle gradient method for dual problem:  $y^{k+1} = y^k + \alpha^k \nabla g(y^k)$
- $lackbox{} \nabla g(y^k) = A\tilde{x} b$ , where  $\tilde{x} = \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x, y^k)$
- dual ascent method is

$$x^{k+1} := \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x, y^k) / / x$$
-minimization 
$$y^{k+1} := y^k + \alpha^k (Ax^{k+1} - b) / / \text{dual update}$$

▶ works, with lots of strong assumptions

### **Dual decomposition**

ightharpoonup suppose f is separable:

$$f(x) = f_1(x_1) + \dots + f_N(x_N), \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

▶ then L is separable in x:  $L(x,y) = L_1(x_1,y) + \cdots + L_N(x_N,y) - y^T b$ ,

$$L_i(x_i, y) = f_i(x_i) + y^T A_i x_i$$

 $\blacktriangleright$  x-minimization in dual ascent splits into N separate minimizations

$$x_i^{k+1} := \underset{x_i}{\operatorname{argmin}} L_i(x_i, y^k)$$

which can be carried out in parallel

### **Dual decomposition**

▶ dual decomposition (Everett, Dantzig, Wolfe, Benders 1960–65)

$$x_i^{k+1} := \operatorname{argmin}_{x_i} L_i(x_i, y^k), \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$
  
 $y^{k+1} := y^k + \alpha^k (\sum_{i=1}^N A_i x_i^{k+1} - b)$ 

- ▶ scatter  $y^k$ ; update  $x_i$  in parallel; gather  $A_i x_i^{k+1}$
- ► solve a large problem
  - by iteratively solving subproblems (in parallel)
  - dual variable update provides coordination
- works, with lots of assumptions; often slow

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### Method of multipliers

- ▶ a method to robustify dual ascent
- use **augmented Lagrangian** (Hestenes, Powell 1969),  $\rho > 0$

$$L_{\rho}(x,y) = f(x) + y^{T}(Ax - b) + (\rho/2)||Ax - b||_{2}^{2}$$

▶ method of multipliers (Hestenes, Powell; analysis in Bertsekas 1982)

$$x^{k+1} := \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} L_{\rho}(x, y^{k})$$
$$y^{k+1} := y^{k} + \underbrace{\rho(Ax^{k+1} - b)}$$

(note specific dual update step length  $\rho$ )

### Method of multipliers dual update step

▶ optimality conditions (for differentiable *f*):

$$Ax^* - b = 0,$$
  $\nabla f(x^*) + A^T y^* = 0$ 

(primal and dual feasibility)

▶ since  $x^{k+1}$  minimizes  $L_{\rho}(x, y^k)$ 

$$0 = \nabla_x L_{\rho}(x^{k+1}, y^k)$$
  
=  $\nabla_x f(x^{k+1}) + A^T (y^k + \rho(Ax^{k+1} - b))$   
=  $\nabla_x f(x^{k+1}) + A^T y^{k+1}$ 

- ▶ dual update  $y^{k+1} = y^k + \rho(x^{k+1} b)$  makes  $(x^{k+1}, y^{k+1})$  dual feasible
- $\blacktriangleright$  primal feasibility achieved in limit:  $Ax^{k+1}-b\to 0$

### Method of multipliers

(compared to dual decomposition)

- ▶ good news: converges under much more relaxed conditions  $(f \text{ can be nondifferentiable, take on value } +\infty, \dots)$
- ► bad news: quadratic penalty destroys splitting of the *x*-update, so can't do decomposition

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# Alternating direction method of multipliers

- ▶ a method
  - with good robustness of method of multipliers
  - which can support decomposition
- "robust dual decomposition" or "decomposable method of multipliers"
- ▶ proposed by Gabay, Mercier, Glowinski, Marrocco in 1976

# Alternating direction method of multipliers

► ADMM problem form (with f, g convex)

two sets of variables, with separable objective

$$L_{\rho}(x,z,y) = f(x) + g(z) + y^{T}(Ax + Bz - c) + (\rho/2)||Ax + Bz - c||_{2}^{2}$$

► ADMM:

$$\begin{array}{lll} x^{k+1} &:= & \mathop{\rm argmin}_x L_\rho(x,z^k,y^k) & // \ x\mbox{-minimization} \\ z^{k+1} &:= & \mathop{\rm argmin}_z L_\rho(x^{k+1},z,y^k) & // \ z\mbox{-minimization} \\ y^{k+1} &:= & y^k + \rho(Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c) & // \ \ dual \ \ update \end{array}$$

# Alternating direction method of multipliers

- lacktriangledown if we minimized over x and z jointly, reduces to method of multipliers
- ▶ instead, we do one pass of a Gauss-Seidel method
- $\,\blacktriangleright\,$  we get splitting since we minimize over x with z fixed, and vice versa

# **ADMM** and optimality conditions

- ▶ optimality conditions (for differentiable case):
  - primal feasibility: Ax + Bz c = 0
  - dual feasibility:  $\nabla f(x) + A^T y = 0$ ,  $\nabla g(z) + B^T y = 0$
- ▶ since  $z^{k+1}$  minimizes  $L_{\rho}(x^{k+1}, z, y^k)$  we have

$$0 = \nabla g(z^{k+1}) + B^T y^k + \rho B^T (Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c)$$
  
=  $\nabla g(z^{k+1}) + B^T y^{k+1}$ 

- so with ADMM dual variable update,  $(x^{k+1}, z^{k+1}, y^{k+1})$  satisfies second dual feasibility condition
- lacktriangle primal and first dual feasibility are achieved as  $k o \infty$

#### **ADMM** with scaled dual variables

combine linear and quadratic terms in augmented Lagrangian

$$L_{\rho}(x,z,y) = f(x) + g(z) + y^{T}(Ax + Bz - c) + (\rho/2)\|Ax + Bz - c\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$= f(x) + g(z) + (\rho/2)\|Ax + Bz - c + u\|_{2}^{2} + \text{const.}$$

with  $u^k = (1/\rho)y^k$ 

ADMM (scaled dual form):

$$x^{k+1} := \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f(x) + (\rho/2) \| Ax + Bz^k - c + u^k \|_2^2 \right)$$

$$z^{k+1} := \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( g(z) + (\rho/2) \| Ax^{k+1} + Bz - c + u^k \|_2^2 \right)$$

$$u^{k+1} := u^k + (Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c)$$

### Convergence

- ► assume (very little!)
  - -f, g convex, closed, proper
  - $L_0$  has a saddle point
- ► then ADMM converges:
  - iterates approach feasibility:  $Ax^k + Bz^k c \rightarrow 0$
  - objective approaches optimal value:  $f(x^k) + g(z^k) \to p^\star$

# Related algorithms

- operator splitting methods (Douglas, Peaceman, Rachford, Lions, Mercier, ... 1950s, 1979)
- ▶ proximal point algorithm (Rockafellar 1976)
- Dykstra's alternating projections algorithm (1983)
- ► Spingarn's method of partial inverses (1985)
- ► Rockafellar-Wets progressive hedging (1991)
- proximal methods (Rockafellar, many others, 1976–present)
- ► Bregman iterative methods (2008–present)
- most of these are special cases of the proximal point algorithm

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- x-update step requires minimizing  $f(x) + (\rho/2)||Ax v||_2^2$  (with  $v = Bz^k c + u^k$ , which is constant during x-update)
- ► similar for z-update
- several special cases come up often
- can simplify update by exploit structure in these cases

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### Decomposition

► suppose *f* is block-separable,

$$f(x) = f_1(x_1) + \dots + f_N(x_N), \qquad x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$$

- lacktriangleright A is conformably block separable:  $A^TA$  is block diagonal
- lacktriangle then x-update splits into N parallel updates of  $x_i$

# **Proximal operator**

▶ consider x-update when A = I

$$x^{+} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f(x) + (\rho/2) \|x - v\|_{2}^{2} \right) = \mathbf{prox}_{f,\rho}(v)$$

► some special cases:

$$f=I_C$$
 (indicator fct. of set  $C$ )  $x^+:=\Pi_C(v)$  (projection onto  $C$ )  $f=\lambda\|\cdot\|_1$  ( $\ell_1$  norm)  $x_i^+:=S_{\lambda/\rho}(v_i)$  (soft thresholding)  $(S_a(v)=(v-a)_+-(-v-a)_+)$ 

# Quadratic objective

$$f(x) = (1/2)x^T P x + q^T x + r$$

$$x^+ := (P + \rho A^T A)^{-1} (\rho A^T v - q)$$

▶ use matrix inversion lemma when computationally advantageous

$$(P + \rho A^T A)^{-1} = P^{-1} - \rho P^{-1} A^T (I + \rho A P^{-1} A^T)^{-1} A P^{-1}$$

- (direct method) cache factorization of  $P + \rho A^T A$  (or  $I + \rho A P^{-1} A^T$ )
- ▶ (iterative method) warm start, early stopping, reducing tolerances

### Smooth objective

- ► f smooth
- ► can use standard methods for smooth minimization
  - gradient, Newton, or quasi-Newton
  - preconditionned CG, limited-memory BFGS (scale to very large problems)
- ▶ can exploit
  - warm start
  - early stopping, with tolerances decreasing as ADMM proceeds

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### **Constrained convex optimization**

consider ADMM for generic problem

minimize 
$$f(x)$$
 subject to  $x \in \mathcal{C}$ 

▶ ADMM form: take g to be indicator of C

minimize 
$$f(x) + g(z)$$
  
subject to  $x - z = 0$ 

► algorithm:

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &:= & \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f(x) + (\rho/2) \| x - z^k + u^k \|_2^2 \right) \\ z^{k+1} &:= & \Pi_{\mathcal{C}} (x^{k+1} + u^k) \\ u^{k+1} &:= & u^k + x^{k+1} - z^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

#### Lasso

► lasso problem:

minimize 
$$(1/2)||Ax - b||_2^2 + \lambda ||x||_1$$

► ADMM form:

minimize 
$$(1/2)\|Ax - b\|_2^2 + \lambda \|z\|_1$$
 subject to  $x - z = 0$ 

► ADMM:

$$\begin{array}{lll} x^{k+1} & := & (A^T A + \rho I)^{-1} (A^T b + \rho z^k - y^k) \\ z^{k+1} & := & S_{\lambda/\rho} (x^{k+1} + y^k/\rho) \\ y^{k+1} & := & y^k + \rho (x^{k+1} - z^{k+1}) \end{array}$$

#### Lasso example

▶ example with dense  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{1500 \times 5000}$  (1500 measurements; 5000 regressors)

► computation times

factorization (same as ridge regression)	1.3s
subsequent ADMM iterations	0.03s
lasso solve (about 50 ADMM iterations)	2.9s
full regularization path (30 $\lambda$ 's)	4.4s

▶ not bad for a *very short* Matlab script

### Sparse inverse covariance selection

- ▶ S: empirical covariance of samples from  $\mathcal{N}(0,\Sigma)$ , with  $\Sigma^{-1}$  sparse (*i.e.*, Gaussian Markov random field)
- lacktriangle estimate  $\Sigma^{-1}$  via  $\ell_1$  regularized maximum likelihood

minimize 
$$\mathbf{Tr}(SX) - \log \det X + \lambda ||X||_1$$

▶ methods: COVSEL (Banerjee et al 2008), graphical lasso (FHT 2008)

# Sparse inverse covariance selection via ADMM

► ADMM form:

minimize 
$$\mathbf{Tr}(SX) - \log \det X + \lambda ||Z||_1$$
 subject to  $X - Z = 0$ 

► ADMM:

$$\begin{array}{lll} X^{k+1} &:= & \displaystyle \operatorname*{argmin}_{X} \left( \mathbf{Tr}(SX) - \log \det X + (\rho/2) \|X - Z^k + U^k\|_F^2 \right) \\ Z^{k+1} &:= & \displaystyle S_{\lambda/\rho}(X^{k+1} + U^k) \\ U^{k+1} &:= & \displaystyle U^k + (X^{k+1} - Z^{k+1}) \end{array}$$

# Analytical solution for X-update

- $\blacktriangleright$  compute eigendecomposition  $\rho(Z^k-U^k)-S=Q\Lambda Q^T$
- lacktriangle form diagonal matrix  $\tilde{X}$  with

$$\tilde{X}_{ii} = \frac{\lambda_i + \sqrt{\lambda_i^2 + 4\rho}}{2\rho}$$

- $\blacktriangleright \ \text{let} \ X^{k+1} := Q \tilde{X} Q^T$
- ► cost of *X*-update is an eigendecomposition

### Sparse inverse covariance selection example

- $ightharpoonup \Sigma^{-1}$  is  $1000 \times 1000$  with  $10^4$  nonzeros
  - graphical lasso (Fortran): 20 seconds 3 minutes
  - ADMM (Matlab): 3 10 minutes
  - (depends on choice of  $\lambda$ )
- very rough experiment, but with no special tuning, ADMM is in ballpark of recent specialized methods
- (for comparison, COVSEL takes 25+ min when  $\Sigma^{-1}$  is a  $400\times400$  tridiagonal matrix)

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### Consensus optimization

lacktriangle want to solve problem with N objective terms

minimize 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} f_i(x)$$

- e.g.,  $f_i$  is the loss function for ith block of training data
- ► ADMM form:

minimize 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} f_i(x_i)$$
  
subject to  $x_i - z = 0$ 

- $-x_i$  are local variables
- z is the global variable
- $-x_i-z=0$  are consistency or consensus constraints
- can add regularization using a g(z) term

# Consensus optimization via ADMM

$$L_{\rho}(x,z,y) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left( f_i(x_i) + y_i^T(x_i - z) + \frac{(\rho/2)\|x_i - z\|_2^2}{2} \right)$$

► ADMM:

$$\begin{aligned} x_i^{k+1} &:= & \underset{x_i}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f_i(x_i) + y_i^{kT}(x_i - z^k) + (\rho/2) \|x_i - z^k\|_2^2 \right) \\ z^{k+1} &:= & \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( x_i^{k+1} + (1/\rho) y_i^k \right) \\ y_i^{k+1} &:= & y_i^k + \rho(x_i^{k+1} - z^{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

lacktriangle with regularization, averaging in z update is followed by  $\mathbf{prox}_{g,
ho}$ 

### Consensus optimization via ADMM

• using  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} y_i^k = 0$ , algorithm simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} x_i^{k+1} &:= & & \operatorname*{argmin}_{x_i} \left( f_i(x_i) + y_i^{kT}(x_i - \overline{x}^k) + (\rho/2) \|x_i - \overline{x}^k\|_2^2 \right) \\ y_i^{k+1} &:= & & & & & & \\ y_i^k + \rho(x_i^{k+1} - \overline{x}^{k+1}) \end{aligned}$$

- where  $\overline{x}^k = (1/N) \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^k$
- ▶ in each iteration
  - gather  $x_i^k$  and average to get  $\overline{x}^k$
  - scatter the average  $\overline{x}^k$  to processors
  - update  $y_i^k$  locally (in each processor, in parallel)
  - update  $x_i$  locally

### Statistical interpretation

- $\blacktriangleright$   $f_i$  is negative log-likelihood for parameter x given ith data block
- $x_i^{k+1}$  is MAP estimate under prior  $\mathcal{N}(\overline{x}^k + (1/\rho)y_i^k, \rho I)$
- prior mean is previous iteration's consensus shifted by 'price' of processor
   i disagreeing with previous consensus
- ▶ processors only need to support a Gaussian MAP method
  - type or number of data in each block not relevant
  - consensus protocol yields global maximum-likelihood estimate

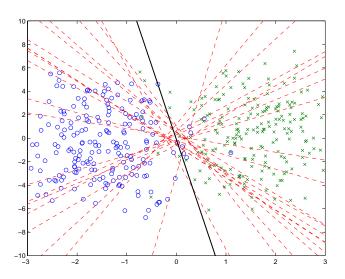
### Consensus classification

- ▶ data (examples)  $(a_i, b_i)$ , i = 1, ..., N,  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b_i \in \{-1, +1\}$
- ▶ linear classifier  $sign(a^Tw + v)$ , with weight w, offset v
- ▶ margin for *i*th example is  $b_i(a_i^T w + v)$ ; want margin to be positive
- ▶ loss for *i*th example is  $l(b_i(a_i^Tw + v))$ 
  - $-\ l$  is loss function (hinge, logistic, probit, exponential, ...)
- ► choose w, v to minimize  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} l(b_i(a_i^T w + v)) + r(w)$ 
  - r(w) is regularization term  $(\ell_2,\,\ell_1,\,\dots)$
- split data and use ADMM consensus to solve

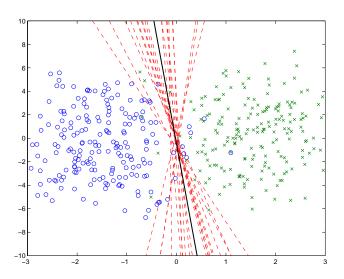
### Consensus SVM example

- ▶ hinge loss  $l(u) = (1 u)_+$  with  $\ell_2$  regularization
- ▶ baby problem with n = 2, N = 400 to illustrate
- examples split into 20 groups, in worst possible way:
   each group contains only positive or negative examples

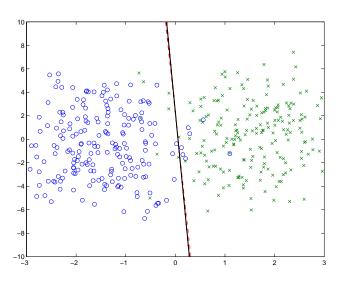
# Iteration 1



# Iteration 5



# Iteration 40



### Distributed lasso example

- $\blacktriangleright$  example with **dense**  $A \in \mathbf{R}^{400000 \times 8000}$  (roughly 30 GB of data)
  - distributed solver written in C using MPI and GSL
  - no optimization or tuned libraries (like ATLAS, MKL)
  - split into 80 subsystems across 10 (8-core) machines on Amazon EC2

### ► computation times

loading data	30s
factorization	5m
subsequent ADMM iterations	0.5–2s
lasso solve (about 15 ADMM iterations)	5–6m

## **Exchange problem**

minimize 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} f_i(x_i)$$
 subject to 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i = 0$$

- ▶ another canonical problem, like consensus
- ▶ in fact, it's the dual of consensus
- $\blacktriangleright$  can interpret as N agents exchanging n goods to minimize a total cost
- ▶  $(x_i)_j \ge 0$  means agent i receives  $(x_i)_j$  of good j from exchange
- $lackbox{ }(x_i)_j < 0$  means agent i contributes  $|(x_i)_j|$  of good j to exchange
- ▶ constraint  $\sum_{i=1}^{N} x_i = 0$  is equilibrium or market clearing constraint
- lacktriangledown optimal dual variable  $y^{\star}$  is a set of valid prices for the goods
- lacktriangle suggests real or virtual cash payment  $(y^{\star})^T x_i$  by agent i

### Exchange ADMM

▶ solve as a generic constrained convex problem with constraint set

$$C = \{ x \in \mathbf{R}^{nN} \mid x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_N = 0 \}$$

scaled form:

$$x_i^{k+1} := \underset{x_i}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f_i(x_i) + (\rho/2) \|x_i - x_i^k + \overline{x}^k + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$
  
 $u^{k+1} := u^k + \overline{x}^{k+1}$ 

unscaled form:

$$x_i^{k+1} := \underset{x_i}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left( f_i(x_i) + y^{kT} x_i + (\rho/2) \|x_i - (x_i^k - \overline{x}^k)\|_2^2 \right)$$
$$y^{k+1} := y^k + \rho \overline{x}^{k+1}$$

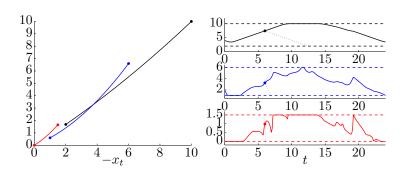
### Interpretation as tâtonnement process

- ▶ tâtonnement process: iteratively update prices to clear market
- work towards equilibrium by increasing/decreasing prices of goods based on excess demand/supply
- ▶ dual decomposition is the simplest tâtonnement algorithm
- ► ADMM adds proximal regularization
  - incorporate agents' prior commitment to help clear market
  - convergence far more robust convergence than dual decomposition

### Distributed dynamic energy management

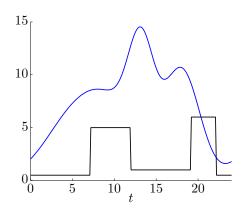
- lacktriangledown N devices exchange power in time periods  $t=1,\ldots,T$
- $ightharpoonup x_i \in \mathbf{R}^T$  is power flow *profile* for device i
- $f_i(x_i)$  is cost of profile  $x_i$  (and encodes constraints)
- $x_1 + \cdots + x_N = 0$  is energy balance (in each time period)
- ▶ dynamic energy management problem is exchange problem
- exchange ADMM gives distributed method for dynamic energy management
- each device optimizes its own profile, with quadratic regularization for coordination
- ► residual (energy imbalance) is driven to zero

### **Generators**



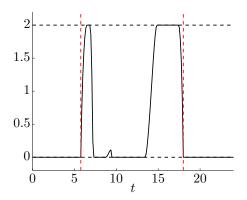
- ► 3 example generators
- ▶ left: generator costs/limits; right: ramp constraints
- ► can add cost for power changes

### **Fixed loads**



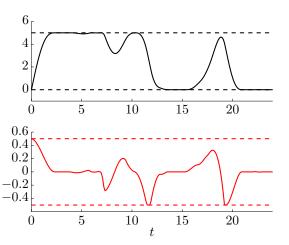
- ▶ 2 example fixed loads
- $\blacktriangleright$  cost is  $+\infty$  for not supplying load; zero otherwise

### Shiftable load



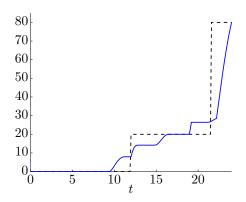
- ▶ total energy consumed over an interval must exceed given minimum level
- ► limits on energy consumed in each period
- lacktriangledown cost is  $+\infty$  for violating constraints; zero otherwise

### Battery energy storage system



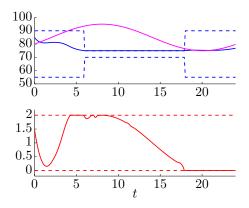
- ▶ energy store with maximum capacity, charge/discharge limits
- ▶ black: battery charge, red: charge/discharge profile
- $\blacktriangleright$  cost is  $+\infty$  for violating constraints; zero otherwise Consensus and exchange

## Electric vehicle charging system



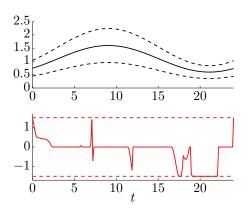
- ▶ black: desired charge profile; blue: charge profile
- ▶ shortfall cost for not meeting desired charge

### **HVAC**



- ▶ thermal load (e.g., room, refrigerator) with temperature limits
- ► magenta: ambient temperature; blue: load temperature
- ► red: cooling energy profile
- ightharpoonup cost is  $+\infty$  for violating constraints; zero otherwise

### External tie

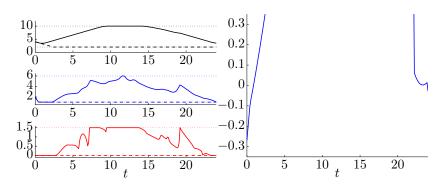


- $\blacktriangleright$  buy/sell energy from/to external grid at price  $p^{\rm ext}(t) \pm \gamma(t)$
- ▶ solid:  $p^{\text{ext}}(t)$ ; dashed:  $p^{\text{ext}}(t) \pm \gamma(t)$

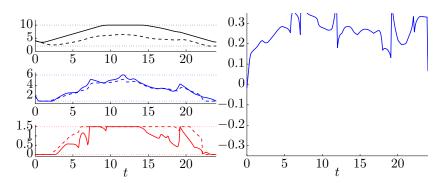
### Smart grid example

10 devices (already described above)

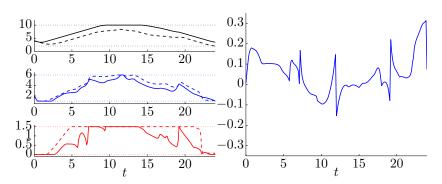
- ► 3 generators
- ▶ 2 fixed loads
- ▶ 1 shiftable load
- ▶ 1 EV charging systems
- ▶ 1 battery
- ▶ 1 HVAC system
- ▶ 1 external tie



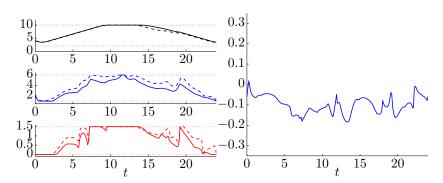
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- ightharpoonup right: residual vector  $\bar{x}^k$



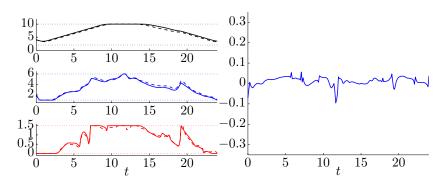
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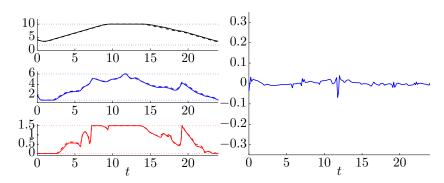
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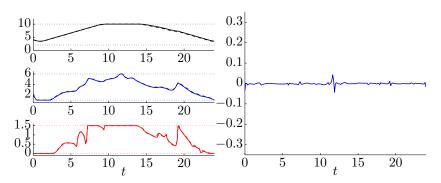
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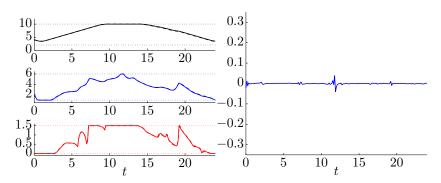
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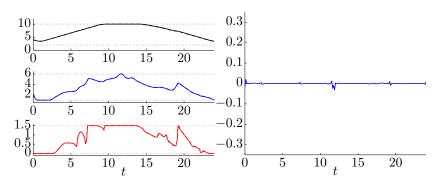
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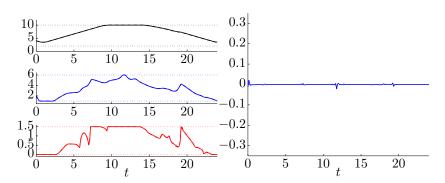
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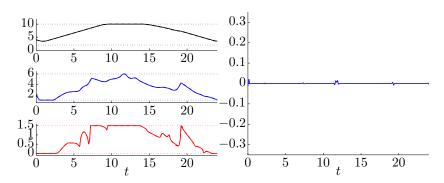
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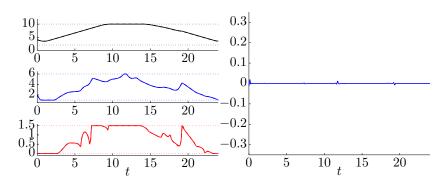
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#### **ADMM**

- ▶ is the same as, or closely related to, many methods with other names
- has been around since the 1970s
- gives simple single-processor algorithms that can be competitive with state-of-the-art
- ► can be used to coordinate many processors, each solving a substantial problem, to solve a very large problem

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