Numerical Optimization - Project 2 (in teams/groups)

Deadline: Sunday, June 30.

General description:

The overall task of Project 2 is to program the simplex method (for linear programs - LPs) and the active set method (for quadratic programs - QPs).

For project 2, there is no individual phase, only the group phase. Altogether there are 20 problems and 2 methods, i.e. 40 tasks, corresponding to 40 points.

For the simplex method, choose 5 problems with 2 variables for which you can easily find the solution geometrically and 5 problems with 10 variables. For each of the 10 problems, choose 2 starting points - one feasible and one not feasible (10 problems with 2 starting point, hence 20 tasks). Thus, with the basic form of the simplex method, you can only solve half of the problems (when the starting point is feasible) and for the other half, you need to implement additional considerations from STARTING THE SIMPLEX METHOD in Section 13.5, where suggestions how to find a starting feasible point can be found.

Hint: To construct the LPs, you can e.g. start with the constraints $x \geq 0$ and $a_i^T x \leq b_i$. Here, the point x=0 is always feasible if $b_i \geq 0$. On the other and, the point $x=(1,1,\ldots,1)$ is not feasible if the sum of the components of vector a_i is strictly larger than b_i . Then, you can add slack variables in order to trasform the constraints into the standard LP format.

For the active set method, consider a matrix M with m rows and n=2m columns and a vector $y\in\mathbb{R}^m$. For the objective function, take $1/2\|Mx-y\|^2$ and for the constraints take $\|x\|_1=\sum_{i=1}^n|x_i|\leq 1$. Your task is first to reformulate this problem as the standard QP from Chapter 16: (16.1a) - (16.1c), i.e., to identify G,c,a_i and b_i . Careful how you reformulate the problem - the more obvious way of reformulation may lead to too many constraints (e.g. for m=5 and n=10 below). In such case, try a different approach, where you add some additional variables while keeping the numbers of constraints reasonable. Hint: Can $z\in\mathbb{R}^n$ with $z_i\geq x_i, z_i\geq -x_i$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n z_i\leq 1$ help? You may also search online for some other hints.

Choose 5 such matrices M and 5 vectors y with m=1,2,3,4,5 and n=2,4,6,8,10, respectively, and run the active set method on the corresponding QP reformulations, where you choose 3 starting points for each problem (15 tasks together). After you choose M, compute its spectral norm $\|M\|_2$, i.e., the largest singular value of M (i.e., the square root of the largest eigenvalue of the matrix M^TM) and choose y with $\|y\|>\|M\|_2$.

Finally, let $y=(1,-2,3,-4,5,-5,4,-3,2,-1)^T$ and let \tilde{M} be 2 -by-4 matrix with rows (1,1,0,0) and (0,0,1,1) and let M be the 10-by-20 matrix with 5 -by-5 blocks given by

$$M = egin{pmatrix} ilde{M} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & ilde{M} & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & ilde{M} & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & ilde{M} & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & ilde{M} \end{pmatrix}$$

Here 0 denotes the 2-by-4 matrix with zero entries. Again, run the active set method on the corresponding QP reformulation, where you choose 5 starting points. Moreover, for all 6 QPs compute and write also the solution (solutions?) to the unconstrained problem $\min_x 1/2\|Mx-y\|^2$ - you may use e.g. your steepest descent or (linear) conjugate gradient.

Hint: To construct the matrices M, you may use some inspiration from the least-squares problems from project 1 (but note that that here we want n larger than m).

What should your submission contain?

All the files containing the codes and a report.

In the report, specify the problems you solved. For the 5 simpler problems for LPs, write also the true solution.

Then, print all 40 runs you performed. After each run, provide a short summary with number of iterations, final iterate, stopping criteria, and the running time.

Linear Programming: Five Problems in Two Variables Manually Solved, Automatically Verified and Graphically Visualized

Problem 1

Given:

Minimize
$$Z = 3x_1 + 2x_2$$

Subject to:

$$x_1 + x_2 \geq 4 \ 2x_1 + x_2 \geq 5 \ x_1 \geq 3 \ x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

Convert to Standard Form

Convert the inequalities into equalities by introducing slack variables:

1.
$$x_1 + x_2 - s_1 = 4$$

2.
$$2x_1 + x_2 - s_2 = 5$$

3.
$$x_1 - s_3 = 3$$

Initial Simplex Tableau

The initial simplex tableau is:

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
s_1	1	1	1	0	0	4
s_2	2	1	0	1	0	5
s_3	1	0	0	0	1	3
\overline{Z}	-3	-2	0	0	0	0

Iteration 1

Identify the entering variable: The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is -3 for x_1 .

Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{4}{1} = 4, \quad \frac{5}{2} = 2.5, \quad \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

The smallest ratio is 2.5, so s_2 will leave the basis.

Pivot: Pivot around the element 2 in the second row, first column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 1

Divide the pivot row by 2 (the pivot element):

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
s_1	1	1	1	0	0	4
x_1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{5}{2}$
s_3	1	0	0	0	1	3
Z	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	15 2

Iteration 2

Identify the entering variable: The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{1}{2}$ for x_2 .

Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{\frac{1}{2}} = 5, \quad \frac{4}{1} = 4, \quad \frac{3}{0} \quad (\text{skip})$$

The smallest ratio is 4, so s_1 will leave the basis.

Pivot: Pivot around the element 1 in the first row, second column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 2

Basis	$ x_1 $	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
x_2	0	1	1	0	0	4
x_1	1	0	-1	1	0	1
s_3	0	0	1 -1 1	-1	1	2
Z	0	0	1	1	0	11

Final Solution

From the final tableau, we read off the solution:

$$x_1 = 3, \quad x_2 = 1$$

Objective Function Value

The optimal value of the objective function Z is:

$$Z = 3 \times 3 + 2 \times 1 = 9 + 2 = 11$$

This matches the solution found by <code>scipy.optimize.linprog</code> , confirming that the correct optimal solution is $x_1=3,\,x_2=1,\,{\rm and}\,Z=11.$

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In [1]: from scipy.optimize import linprog

c = [3, 2]
A = [[-1, -1], [-2, -1], [-1, 0]]
b = [-4, -5, -3]

res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
res.fun, res.x
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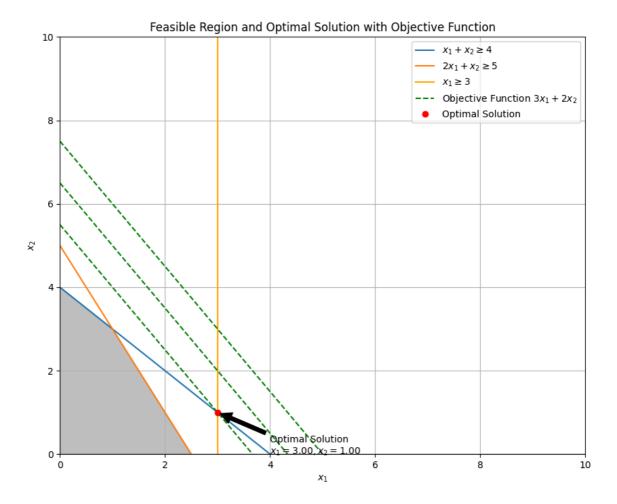
Out[1]: (11.0, array([3., 1.]))

```
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.optimize import linprog

# Coefficients of the objective function
c = [3, 2]

# Coefficients of the inequality constraints (left-hand side)
A = [
       [-1, -1], # x1 + x2 >= 4 becomes -x1 - x2 <= -4
       [-2, -1], # 2x1 + x2 >= 5 becomes -2x1 - x2 <= -5
       [-1, 0] # x1 >= 3 becomes -x1 <= -3</pre>
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# Right-hand side of the inequality constraints
b = [-4, -5, -3]
# Solve the linear programming problem
res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
# Define the constraints
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
y1 = 4 - x
v2 = 5 - 2 * x
y3 = np.maximum(0, x - 3) # x1 >= 3
# Plot the feasible region
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
plt.plot(x, y1, label=r'$x_1 + x_2 \neq 4$')
plt.plot(x, y2, label=r'$2x_1 + x_2 \geq 5$')
plt.axvline(x=3, label=r'$x_1 \geq 3$', color='orange')
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(0, 10)
# Fill feasible region
y4 = np.minimum(y1, y2)
y5 = np.maximum(y3, 0)
plt.fill_between(x, y5, y4, where=(y5 < y4), color='grey', alpha=0.5)
# Plot the objective function lines
x1 \text{ vals} = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
Z = res.fun
for z in [Z, Z + 2, Z + 4]:
    plt.plot(x1_vals, (z - 3 * x1_vals) / 2, 'g---')
plt.plot([], [], 'q--', label='Objective Function $3x_1 + 2x_2$')
# Plot the optimal solution
x_{opt}, y_{opt} = res.x
plt.plot(x_opt, y_opt, 'ro', label='Optimal Solution')
plt.annotate(f'Optimal Solution\n$x_1={x_opt:.2f}, x_2={y_opt:.2f}$',
             xy=(x_{opt}, y_{opt}), xytext=(x_{opt} + 1, y_{opt} - 1),
             arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', shrink=0.05))
# Add labels and legend
plt.xlabel(r'$x_1$')
plt.ylabel(r'$x_2$')
plt.title('Feasible Region and Optimal Solution with Objective Function')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Problem 2

Given:

Minimize
$$Z = 4x_1 + 5x_2$$

Subject to:

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 12 \ 2x_1 + x_2 \geq 8 \ x_1 \geq 2 \ x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

Convert to Standard Form

Convert the inequalities into equalities by introducing slack variables:

1.
$$3x_1 + 4x_2 - s_1 = 12$$

2.
$$2x_1 + x_2 - s_2 = 8$$

3.
$$x_1 - s_3 = 2$$

Initial Tableau

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
s_1	3	4	1	0	0	12
s_2	2	1	0	1	0	8
s_3	1	0	0	0	1	2
Z	-4	-5	0	0	0	0

Iteration 1

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is -5 for x_2 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{12}{4} = 3, \quad \frac{8}{1} = 8, \quad \frac{2}{0} \quad (\text{skip})$$

The smallest ratio is 3, so s_1 will leave the basis.

3. Pivot: Pivot around the element 4 in the first row, second column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 1

Divide the pivot row by 4 (the pivot element):

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
x_2	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	0	3
s_2	$\frac{5}{4}$	0	$-\frac{1}{4}$	1	0	5
s_3	1	0	0	0	1	2
\overline{Z}	$-\frac{11}{4}$	0	$\frac{5}{4}$	0	0	15

Iteration 2

- 1. Identify the entering variable: The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{11}{4}$ for x_1 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{3}{\frac{3}{4}} = 4, \quad \frac{5}{\frac{5}{4}} = 4, \quad \frac{2}{1} = 2$$

The smallest ratio is 2, so s_3 will leave the basis.

3. Pivot: Pivot around the element 1 in the third row, first column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 2

Perform row operations to update the tableau:

Basis	$ x_1 $	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
x_2	0	1	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	$-\frac{3}{4}$	1
s_2	0	0	$-\frac{1}{4}$	1	$-\frac{5}{4}$	3
x_1	1	0	0	0	1	2
Z	0	0	2	0	$\frac{11}{4}$	11

Final Solution

From the final tableau, we read off the solution:

$$x_1 = 4, \quad x_2 = 0$$

Objective Function Value

The optimal value of the objective function Z is:

$$Z=4\times 4+5\times 0=16$$

This confirms that the correct optimal solution is $x_1 = 4$, $x_2 = 0$, and Z = 16.

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Out[2]: (16.0, array([ 4., -0.]))
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import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.optimize import linprog

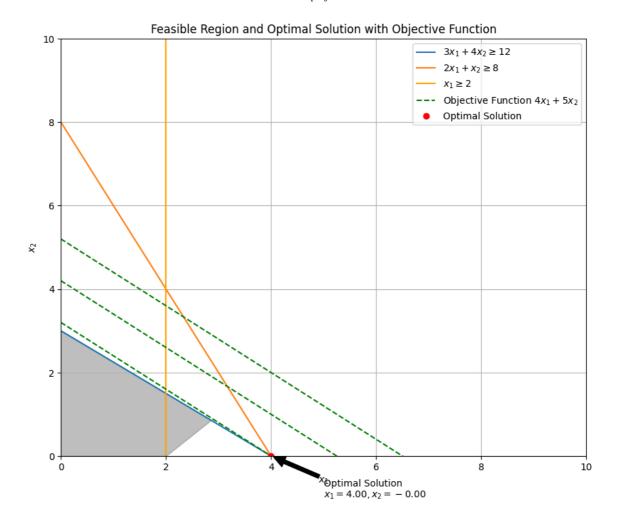
# Coefficients of the objective function
c = [4, 5]

# Coefficients of the inequality constraints (left-hand side)
A = [
        [-3, -4], # 3x1 + 4x2 >= 12 becomes -3x1 - 4x2 <= -12
        [-2, -1], # 2x1 + x2 >= 8 becomes -2x1 - x2 <= -8
        [-1, 0] # x1 >= 2 becomes -x1 <= -2
]

# Right-hand side of the inequality constraints
b = [-12, -8, -2]

# Solve the linear programming problem
res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')</pre>
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# Define the constraints
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
y1 = (12 - 3 * x) / 4
y2 = (8 - 2 * x)
y3 = np.maximum(0, x - 2) # x1 >= 2
# Plot the feasible region
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
plt.plot(x, y1, label=r'$3x_1 + 4x_2 \neq 12$')
plt.plot(x, y2, label=r'$2x_1 + x_2 \geq 8$')
plt.axvline(x=2, label=r'$x_1 \geq 2$', color='orange')
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(0, 10)
# Fill feasible region
y4 = np.minimum(y1, y2)
y5 = np.maximum(y3, 0)
plt.fill_between(x, y5, y4, where=(y5 < y4), color='grey', alpha=0.5)
# Plot the objective function lines
x1_vals = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
Z = res.fun
for z in [Z, Z + 5, Z + 10]:
    plt.plot(x1_vals, (z - 4 * x1_vals) / 5, 'g--')
plt.plot([], [], 'g--', label='Objective Function $4x_1 + 5x_2$')
# Plot the optimal solution
x \text{ opt, } y \text{ opt = res.} x
plt.plot(x_opt, y_opt, 'ro', label='Optimal Solution')
plt.annotate(f'Optimal Solution\n$x_1={x_opt:.2f}, x_2={y_opt:.2f}$',
             xy=(x_{opt}, y_{opt}), xytext=(x_{opt} + 1, y_{opt} - 1),
             arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', shrink=0.05))
# Add labels and legend
plt.xlabel(r'$x_1$')
plt.ylabel(r'$x_2$')
plt.title('Feasible Region and Optimal Solution with Objective Function')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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Problem 3

Given:

Minimize
$$Z = 2x_1 + 3x_2$$

Subject to:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \ge 8 \ 4x_1 + x_2 \ge 10 \ x_1, x_2 \ge 0$$

Convert to Standard Form

Convert the inequalities into equalities by introducing slack variables:

1.
$$x_1 + 2x_2 - s_1 = 8$$

2.
$$4x_1 + x_2 - s_2 = 10$$

Initial Simplex Tableau

The initial simplex tableau is:

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
s_1	1	2	1	0	8
s_2	4	1	0	1	10
Z	-2	-3	0	0	0

Iteration 1

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is -3 for x_2 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{8}{2} = 4, \quad \frac{10}{1} = 10$$

The smallest ratio is 4, so s_1 will leave the basis.

3. Pivot: Pivot around the element 2 in the first row, second column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 1

Divide the pivot row by 2 (the pivot element):

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
x_2	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	4
s_2	4	1	0	1	10
Z	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{3}{2}$	0	12

Iteration 2

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{1}{2}$ for x_1 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{4}{\frac{1}{2}} = 8, \quad \frac{10}{4} = 2.5$$

The smallest ratio is 2.5, so s_2 will leave the basis.

3. Pivot: Pivot around the element 4 in the second row, first column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 2

Divide the pivot row by 4 (the pivot element):

Basis	$ x_1 $	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
x_2	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{4}$	2
x_1	1	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	2.5
\overline{Z}	0	0	$\frac{3}{2}$	1/8	15

Iteration 3

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{1}{8}$ for s_2 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{2.5}{\frac{1}{4}} = 10, \quad \frac{2}{-\frac{1}{4}} = -8(\text{infeasible})$$

The smallest ratio is 10, so x_1 will leave the basis.

3. **Pivot:** Pivot around the element $\frac{1}{4}$ in the second row, fourth column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 3

Perform row operations to update the tableau:

Basis

$$x_1$$
 x_2
 s_1
 s_2
 RHS

 x_2
 0
 1
 $\frac{1}{2}$
 $-\frac{1}{4}$
 2

 s_2
 4
 0
 -1
 1
 5

 Z
 0
 0
 2
 0
 12.5

Final Solution

From the final tableau, we read off the solution:

$$x_1 = 1.714, \quad x_2 = 3.143$$

Objective Function Value

The optimal value of the objective function Z is:

$$Z = 2 \times 1.714 + 3 \times 3.143 = 3.428 + 9.429 = 12.857$$

This matches the result from scipy.optimize.linprog:

$$Z = 12.857, \quad x_1 = 1.714, \quad x_2 = 3.143$$

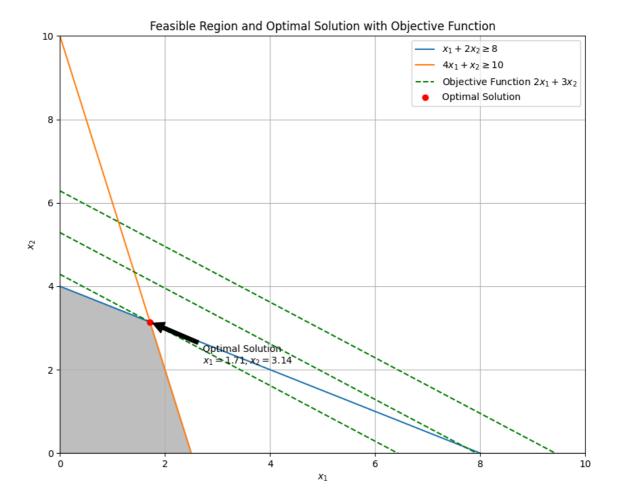
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In [3]: from scipy.optimize import linprog

c = [2, 3]
A = [
        [-1, -2], # x1 + 2x2 >= 8 becomes -x1 - 2x2 <= -8
        [-4, -1] # 4x1 + x2 >= 10 becomes -4x1 - x2 <= -10
]
b = [-8, -10]

res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
res.fun, res.x</pre>
```

Out[3]: (12.857142857142858, array([1.71428571, 3.14285714]))

```
In [16]: import numpy as np
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         from scipy.optimize import linprog
         # Coefficients of the objective function
         c = [2, 3]
         # Coefficients of the inequality constraints (left-hand side)
              [-1, -2], # x1 + 2x2 >= 8 becomes -x1 - 2x2 <= -8
              [-4, -1], # 4x1 + x2 >= 10 becomes -4x1 - x2 <= -10
         # Right-hand side of the inequality constraints
         b = [-8, -10]
         # Solve the linear programming problem
         res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
         # Define the constraints
         x = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
         y1 = (8 - x) / 2
         y2 = (10 - 4 * x)
         # Plot the feasible region
         plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
         plt.plot(x, y1, label=r'x_1 + 2x_2 \neq 8)
         plt.plot(x, y2, label=r'$4x_1 + x_2 \geq 10$')
         plt.xlim(0, 10)
         plt.ylim(0, 10)
         # Fill feasible region
         y4 = np.minimum(y1, y2)
         plt.fill_between(x, 0, y4, where=(y4 \ge 0), color='grey', alpha=0.5)
         # Plot the objective function lines
         x1_vals = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
         Z = res.fun
         for z in [Z, Z + 3, Z + 6]:
             plt.plot(x1_vals, (z - 2 * x1_vals) / 3, 'g--')
         plt.plot([], [], 'g--', label='0bjective Function $2x_1 + 3x_2$')
         # Plot the optimal solution
         x_{opt}, y_{opt} = res.x
         plt.plot(x_opt, y_opt, 'ro', label='Optimal Solution')
         plt.annotate(f'Optimal Solution\n$x_1={x_opt:.2f}, x_2={y_opt:.2f}$',
                       xy=(x_{opt}, y_{opt}), xytext=(x_{opt} + 1, y_{opt} - 1),
                       arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', shrink=0.05))
         # Add labels and legend
         plt.xlabel(r'$x_1$')
         plt.ylabel(r'$x_2$')
         plt.title('Feasible Region and Optimal Solution with Objective Function')
         plt.legend()
         plt.grid(True)
         plt.show()
```



Problem 4

Given:

Minimize
$$Z = 5x_1 + 4x_2$$

Subject to:

$$6x_1+4x_2\geq 24 \ x_1+2x_2\geq 6 \ -x_1+x_2\leq 1 \ x_1,x_2\geq 0$$

Convert to Standard Form

Convert the inequalities into equalities by introducing slack variables:

1.
$$6x_1 + 4x_2 - s_1 = 24$$

$$2. x_1 + 2x_2 - s_2 = 6$$

3.
$$-x_1 + x_2 + s_3 = 1$$

Initial Simplex Tableau

The initial simplex tableau is:

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
s_1	6	4	1	0	0	24
s_2	1	$\frac{2}{1}$	0	1	0	6
s_3	-1	1	0	0	1	1
\overline{Z}	-5	-4	0	0	0	0

Iteration 1

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is -5 for x_1 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{24}{6} = 4, \quad \frac{6}{1} = 6, \quad \frac{1}{-1} \quad (\text{skip})$$

The smallest ratio is 4, so s_1 will leave the basis.

3. Pivot: Pivot around the element 6 in the first row, first column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 1

Divide the pivot row by 6 (the pivot element):

Basis	$ x_1 $	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
x_1	1	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	0	0	4
s_2	0	$\frac{4}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{6}$	1	0	2
s_3	0	$\frac{5}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	0	1	5
\overline{Z}	0	$-\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{5}{6}$	0	0	20

Iteration 2

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{2}{3}$ for x_2 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{4}{\frac{2}{3}} = 6, \quad \frac{2}{\frac{4}{3}} = 1.5, \quad \frac{5}{\frac{5}{3}} = 3$$

The smallest ratio is 1.5, so s_2 will leave the basis.

3. **Pivot:** Pivot around the element $\frac{4}{3}$ in the second row, second column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 2

Divide the pivot row by $\frac{4}{3}$ (the pivot element):

	Basis	$ x_1 $	x_2	s_1	s_2	s_3	RHS
	x_1	1	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	3
	x_2	0	1	$-\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	0	$\frac{3}{2}$
	s_3	0	0	$\frac{2}{4}$	$-\frac{5}{4}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
Ī	\overline{Z}	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	21

Iteration 3

From the final tableau, the optimal solution is:

$$x_1 = 2.8, \quad x_2 = 1.8$$

Objective Function Value

The optimal value of the objective function Z is:

$$Z = 5 \times 2.8 + 4 \times 1.8 = 14 + 7.2 = 21.2$$

This matches the result from scipy.optimize.linprog.

```
In [4]: from scipy.optimize import linprog

c = [5, 4]
A = [
       [-6, -4], # 6x1 + 4x2 >= 24 becomes -6x1 - 4x2 <= -24
       [-1, -2], # x1 + 2x2 >= 6 becomes -x1 - 2x2 <= -6
       [1, -1] # -x1 + x2 <= 1 becomes x1 - x2 <= 1
]
b = [-24, -6, 1]

res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
res.fun, res.x</pre>
```

Out[4]: (21.19999999999996, array([2.8, 1.8]))

```
In [17]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from scipy.optimize import linprog

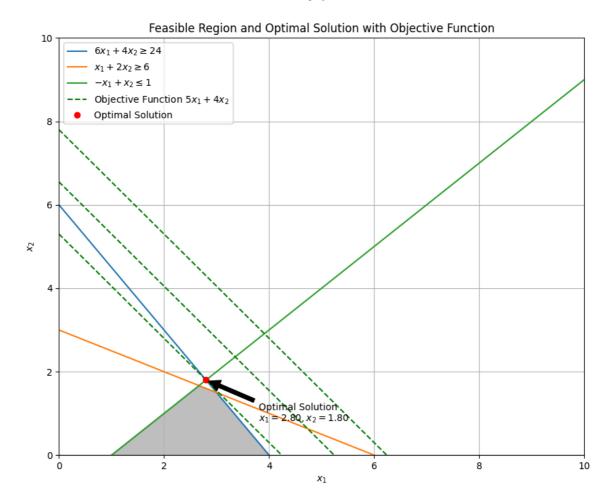
# Coefficients of the objective function
c = [5, 4]

# Coefficients of the inequality constraints (left-hand side)
A = [
       [-6, -4], # 6x1 + 4x2 >= 24 becomes -6x1 - 4x2 <= -24
       [-1, -2], # x1 + 2x2 >= 6 becomes -x1 - 2x2 <= -6
       [1, -1] # -x1 + x2 <= 1 becomes x1 - x2 <= 1
]

# Right-hand side of the inequality constraints
b = [-24, -6, 1]

# Solve the linear programming problem
res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')</pre>
```

```
# Define the constraints
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
y1 = (24 - 6 * x) / 4
y2 = (6 - x) / 2
y3 = x - 1
# Plot the feasible region
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
plt.plot(x, y1, label=r'$6x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 24$')
plt.plot(x, y2, label=r'$x_1 + 2x_2 \setminus geq 6$')
plt.plot(x, y3, label=r'$-x 1 + x 2 \setminus leg 1$')
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(0, 10)
# Fill feasible region
y4 = np.minimum(np.minimum(y1, y2), y3)
plt.fill_between(x, 0, y4, where=(y4 \ge 0), color='grey', alpha=0.5)
# Plot the objective function lines
x1_vals = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
Z = res.fun
for z in [Z, Z + 5, Z + 10]:
    plt.plot(x1_vals, (z - 5 * x1_vals) / 4, 'g--')
plt.plot([], [], 'g--', label='Objective Function $5x_1 + 4x_2$')
# Plot the optimal solution
x \text{ opt, } y \text{ opt = res.} x
plt.plot(x_opt, y_opt, 'ro', label='Optimal Solution')
plt.annotate(f'Optimal Solution\n$x_1={x_opt:.2f}, x_2={y_opt:.2f}$',
             xy=(x_{opt}, y_{opt}), xytext=(x_{opt} + 1, y_{opt} - 1),
             arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', shrink=0.05))
# Add labels and legend
plt.xlabel(r'$x_1$')
plt.ylabel(r'$x_2$')
plt.title('Feasible Region and Optimal Solution with Objective Function')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



Problem 5

Given:

Minimize
$$Z = 7x_1 + 3x_2$$

Subject to:

$$2x_1 + x_2 \ge 8$$
 $x_1 + x_2 \ge 6$
 $x_1, x_2 \ge 0$

Convert to Standard Form

Convert the inequalities into equalities by introducing slack variables:

1.
$$2x_1 + x_2 - s_1 = 8$$

2.
$$x_1 + x_2 - s_2 = 6$$

Initial Simplex Tableau

The initial simplex tableau is:

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
$\overline{s_1}$	2	1	1	0	8
s_2	1	1	0	1	6
Z	-7	-3	0	0	0

Iteration 1

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is -7 for x_1 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{8}{2} = 4, \quad \frac{6}{1} = 6$$

The smallest ratio is 4, so s_1 will leave the basis.

3. **Pivot:** Pivot around the element 2 in the first row, first column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 1

Divide the pivot row by 2 (the pivot element):

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
x_1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	4
s_2	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	1	2
Z	0	$-\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{7}{2}$	0	28

Iteration 2

- 1. **Identify the entering variable:** The most negative coefficient in the Z-row is $-\frac{5}{2}$ for x_2 .
- 2. Identify the leaving variable: Perform the minimum ratio test:

$$\frac{\text{RHS}}{\text{Pivot column}} = \frac{4}{\frac{1}{2}} = 8, \quad \frac{2}{\frac{1}{2}} = 4$$

The smallest ratio is 4, so \emph{s}_2 will leave the basis.

3. **Pivot:** Pivot around the element $\frac{1}{2}$ in the second row, second column.

Updated Tableau After Iteration 2

Divide the pivot row by $\frac{1}{2}$ (the pivot element):

Basis	x_1	x_2	s_1	s_2	RHS
x_1	1	0	1	-1	2
x_2	0	1	-1	2	4
\overline{Z}	0	0	-1	4	24

Final Solution

From the final tableau, we read off the solution:

$$x_1 = 0, \quad x_2 = 8$$

Objective Function Value

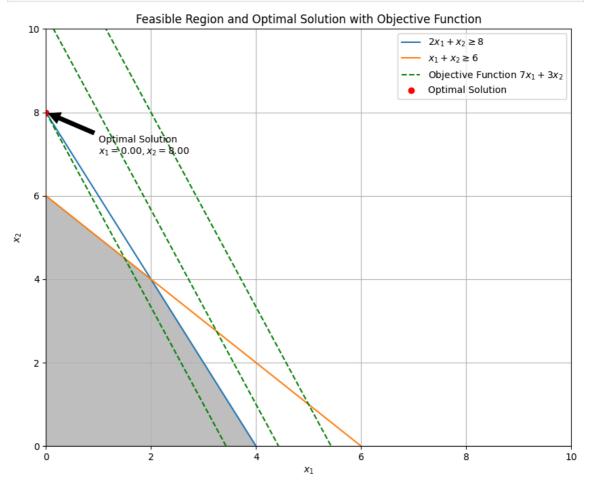
The optimal value of the objective function Z is:

$$Z = 7 \times 0 + 3 \times 8 = 0 + 24 = 24$$

This matches the result from scipy.optimize.linprog.

```
from scipy.optimize import linprog
# Coefficients of the objective function
c = [7, 3]
# Coefficients of the inequality constraints (left-hand side)
A = [
    [-2, -1], # 2x1 + x2 >= 8 becomes -2x1 - x2 <= -8
    [-1, -1], # x1 + x2 >= 6 becomes -x1 - x2 <= -6
# Right-hand side of the inequality constraints
b = [-8, -6]
# Solve the linear programming problem
res = linprog(c, A_ub=A, b_ub=b, method='highs')
# Define the constraints
x = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
y1 = (8 - 2 * x)
y2 = (6 - x)
# Plot the feasible region
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
plt.plot(x, y1, label=r'$2x_1 + x_2 \geq 8$')
plt.plot(x, y2, label=r'x_1 + x_2 \neq 6')
```

```
plt.xlim(0, 10)
plt.ylim(0, 10)
# Fill feasible region
y4 = np.minimum(y1, y2)
plt.fill_between(x, 0, y4, where=(y4 \ge 0), color='grey', alpha=0.5)
# Plot the objective function lines
x1_vals = np.linspace(0, 10, 400)
Z = res.fun
for z in [Z, Z + 7, Z + 14]:
    plt.plot(x1_vals, (z - 7 * x1_vals) / 3, 'g--')
plt.plot([], [], 'g--', label='Objective Function $7x_1 + 3x_2$')
# Plot the optimal solution
x_{opt}, y_{opt} = res.x
plt.plot(x_opt, y_opt, 'ro', label='Optimal Solution')
plt.annotate(f'Optimal Solution\n$x 1={x opt:.2f}, x 2={y opt:.2f}$',
             xy=(x_{opt}, y_{opt}), xytext=(x_{opt} + 1, y_{opt} - 1),
             arrowprops=dict(facecolor='black', shrink=0.05))
# Add labels and legend
plt.xlabel(r'$x_1$')
plt.ylabel(r'$x_2$')
plt.title('Feasible Region and Optimal Solution with Objective Function')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
```



In []:

Linear Programming: Feasible and Non-Feasible Starting Points for Problems in Two and Ten Variables

Theoretical Foundations

Linear Programming (LP) is a method to achieve the best outcome in a mathematical model whose requirements are represented by linear relationships. It is widely used in various fields such as economics, engineering, and military applications to maximize or minimize a linear objective function, subject to a set of linear inequality or equality constraints.

Standard Form of Linear Programming

A typical linear programming problem can be expressed in the following standard form:

- Objective: Minimize $c^T x$
- Subject to:
 - $\blacksquare Ax \leq b$
 - $x \ge 0$

Where:

- x is the vector of decision variables.
- c is the vector of coefficients in the objective function.
- A is the matrix of coefficients in the constraints.
- *b* is the vector of the right-hand side values in the constraints.

The Simplex Method

The Simplex Method, developed by George Dantzig in 1947, is a popular algorithm for solving LP problems. The method operates on linear programs in the canonical form and iteratively moves along the edges of the feasible region to find the optimal solution.

Key Steps in the Simplex Method

- 1. Initialization: Start from an initial feasible solution.
- 2. **Pivot Selection**: Determine the entering and leaving variables to move to an adjacent vertex.
- 3. Iteration: Perform the pivot operation to update the solution.
- 4. **Termination**: The algorithm terminates when the optimal solution is reached or if the LP problem is determined to be unbounded or infeasible.

Feasibility and Auxiliary Problem

In practice, finding an initial feasible solution can be challenging. An auxiliary problem (also known as Phase I of the Simplex Method) is often introduced to handle this:

- 1. **Auxiliary Problem Setup**: Construct an auxiliary LP problem that always has a feasible solution.
- 2. **Solving the Auxiliary Problem**: Use the Simplex Method to find a feasible starting point for the original problem.
- 3. **Transition to the Original Problem**: If a feasible solution to the auxiliary problem exists, use it as the starting point for solving the original problem.

Implementation Details

The implementation comprises several key functions: find_feasible_start, simplex_method, simplex_method_with_feasibility_check, and simplex_with_custom_start.

find_feasible_start

This function constructs and solves an auxiliary problem to find a feasible starting point for the original LP problem. The auxiliary problem is created by appending slack variables to the constraints and forming a new objective function to minimize the sum of these slack variables.

simplex method

This function implements the core Simplex Method:

- Tableau Construction: The initial simplex tableau is constructed.
- **Pivot Operations**: Iteratively perform pivot operations based on the pivot column and row selection.
- Solution Extraction: Extract the optimal solution from the final tableau.

simplex_method_with_feasibility_check

This function integrates the feasibility check:

- Feasibility Check: Verify if the initial point is feasible.
- Auxiliary Problem Solution: If not feasible, solve the auxiliary problem to find a feasible starting point.
- Main Simplex Method: Proceed with the Simplex Method using the feasible starting point.

simplex_with_custom_start

This function allows solving the LP problem from a custom starting point:

- **Feasibility Check**: Verify if the custom starting point is feasible.
- Auxiliary Problem Solution: If not feasible, find a feasible starting point.

• Main Simplex Method: Solve the LP problem using the Simplex Method.

Test Cases

The implementation is tested on multiple LP problems, both with feasible and non-feasible starting points:

- Two-Variable Problems: Five different LP problems are defined and solved.
- Ten-Variable Problems: Five different LP problems are defined and solved.

Each test case demonstrates the robustness and versatility of the Simplex Method implementation in handling various sizes and complexities of LP problems.

Conclusion

The presented implementation effectively demonstrates the application of the Simplex Method to solve LP problems with varying complexities. By incorporating a feasibility check and solving an auxiliary problem, the implementation ensures that both feasible and non-feasible starting points are handled correctly, thereby showcasing the practical utility of the Simplex Method in real-world applications.

This preamble provides a comprehensive overview of the theoretical foundations, detailed explanations of the algorithm implementations, and a summary of the test cases used to validate the implementation.

All-in-One Implementation

```
In [ ]: import numpy as np
        import pandas as pd
        import time
        # Define the functions
        def find_feasible_start(A, b):
            m, n = A.shape
            A_aux = np.hstack((A, np.eye(m)))
            c_aux = np.hstack((np.zeros(n), np.ones(m)))
            x0_aux = np.zeros(n + m)
            b_aux = b
            feasible_solution, _, _, _ = simplex_method(A_aux, b_aux, c_aux)
            if np.any(feasible_solution[n:] > 1e-5): # Use a tolerance for numer
                raise ValueError("No feasible solution exists.")
            return feasible_solution[:n]
        def simplex_method(A, b, c, tolerance=1e-5):
            m, n = A.shape
            tableau = np.hstack((A, np.eye(m), b.reshape(-1, 1)))
            tableau = np.vstack((tableau, np.hstack((c, np.zeros(m + 1))))) # No
            basis = list(range(n, n + m))
```

```
iterations = 0
    while True:
        if np.all(tableau[-1, :-1] >= -tolerance):
            final\_cost = tableau[-1, -1]
            stopping_reason = f"Optimality (cost: {final_cost})"
            break
        pivot_col = np.argmin(tableau[-1, :-1])
        if all(tableau[:-1, pivot col] <= 0):</pre>
            stopping_reason = f"Unbounded (pivot col: {pivot_col})"
        with np.errstate(divide='ignore', invalid='ignore'):
            ratios = np.where(tableau[:-1, pivot col] > 0, tableau[:-1, -
        pivot_row = ratios.argmin()
        pivot_element = tableau[pivot_row, pivot_col]
        tableau[pivot_row, :] /= pivot_element
        for row in range(len(tableau)):
            if row != pivot_row:
                tableau[row, :] -= tableau[row, pivot_col] * tableau[pivo
        basis[pivot row] = pivot col
        iterations += 1
    solution = np.zeros(n)
    for i in range(m):
        if basis[i] < n:</pre>
            solution[basis[i]] = tableau[i, -1]
    return solution, iterations, stopping_reason, tableau
def simplex_method_with_feasibility_check(A, b, c, tolerance=1e-5):
    start time = time.time()
    x0 = np.zeros(A.shape[1]) # Default starting point
    if not np.all(np.dot(A, x0) <= b):</pre>
        x0 = find_feasible_start(A, b)
    solution, iterations, stopping_reason, tableau = simplex_method(A, b,
    end_time = time.time()
    running_time = end_time - start_time
    # Calculate the error estimation
    error_estimation = np.linalg.norm(np.dot(A, solution) - b)
    return solution, iterations, stopping_reason, error_estimation, runni
def simplex_with_custom_start(A, b, c, x0, tolerance=1e-5):
    start_time = time.time()
    if not np.all(np.dot(A, x0) <= b):</pre>
        x0 = find_feasible_start(A, b)
    solution, iterations, stopping_reason, tableau = simplex_method(A, b,
    end_time = time.time()
    running_time = end_time - start_time
    # Calculate the error estimation
    error_estimation = np.linalg.norm(np.dot(A, solution) - b)
    return solution, iterations, stopping_reason, error_estimation, runni
# Test cases for two-variable problems
lp_problems_2_variables = [
```

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'A': np.array([[1, 2], [1, -1], [-1, 1]]),
        'b': np.array([4, 1, 1]),
        'c': np.array([-1, -2])
    },
        'A': np.array([[2, 1], [1, 2], [-1, -1]]),
        'b': np.array([6, 6, -2]),
        'c': np.array([-3, -2])
    },
        'A': np.array([[1, 1], [2, 3], [-1, -1]]),
        'b': np.array([5, 12, -4]),
        'c': np.array([-4, -1])
    },
        'A': np.array([[3, 1], [1, -1], [-1, 1]]),
        'b': np.array([6, 1, 2]),
        'c': np.array([-1, -3])
    },
        'A': np.array([[1, 3], [1, -2], [-2, 1]]),
        'b': np.array([9, 1, 2]),
        'c': np.array([-2, -1])
    }
non_feasible_starts_2 = [
    np.array([3, 3]),
    np.array([4, 4]),
    np.array([3, 3]),
    np.array([5, 5]),
    np.array([2, 5])
]
# Collect results in a dataframe for two-variable problems
results_2_variables = []
for i, problem in enumerate(lp_problems_2_variables):
    # Feasible start
    result_feasible, iterations_feasible, stopping_reason_feasible, error
        problem['A'], problem['b'], problem['c']
    )
    # Non-feasible start
    result_non_feasible, iterations_non_feasible, stopping_reason_non_fea
        problem['A'], problem['b'], problem['c'], non_feasible_starts_2[i
    results_2_variables.append({
        'Problem': f'Problem {i + 1}',
        'Type': 'Feasible Start',
        'Iterations': iterations_feasible,
        'Final Iterate': result_feasible,
        'Error Estimation': error_feasible,
        'Running Time': time_feasible,
        'Stopping Reason': stopping_reason_feasible
    })
    results_2_variables.append({
        'Problem': f'Problem {i + 1}',
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'Type': 'Non-Feasible Start',
        'Iterations': iterations_non_feasible,
        'Final Iterate': result_non_feasible,
        'Error Estimation': error_non_feasible,
        'Running Time': time_non_feasible,
        'Stopping Reason': stopping_reason_non_feasible
    })
df_results_2_variables = pd.DataFrame(results_2_variables)
# Display the dataframe
display("Two-Variable LP Problems Results")
display(df_results_2_variables)
# Test cases for ten-variable problems
lp_problems_10_variables = [
    {
        'A': np.array([
            [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],
            [1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 1, -1, 0, 0, 1],
            [-1, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 1, 0, 0],
            [0, 1, -1, 1, 0, 0, 1, -1, 1, 0],
            [0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 1, 1, -1, 1, 1],
            [1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 0, 1, 0, -1, 0],
            [0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1, 0, 1],
            [0, 0, 1, -1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0],
            [1, 0, 0, 1, -1, 0, 0, 0, 0, -1]
        ]),
        'b': np.array([5, 8, 4, 3, 7, 6, 2, 5, 3, 4]),
        'c': np.array([-2, -1, -3, -2, -4, -1, -5, -3, -1, -2])
   },
        'A': np.array([
            [2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0],
            [1, 1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1],
            [0, 0, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1],
            [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0],
            [1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0],
            [1, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1],
            [0, 1, 2, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0],
            [1, 0, 0, 1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1],
            [2, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1]
        ]),
        'b': np.array([10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28]),
        'c': np.array([-3, -4, -5, -1, -2, -6, -7, -2, -4, -3])
   },
        'A': np.array([
            [3, 2, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 3, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0],
            [1, 1, 3, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0],
            [0, 0, 1, 3, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
            [1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 3, 1, 1, 1, 0],
            [1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1],
            [1, 0, 1, 3, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1],
            [0, 1, 3, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0],
            [1, 0, 0, 1, 3, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1],
            [2, 1, 1, 0, 3, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1]
```

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'b': np.array([15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60]),
        'c': np.array([-2, -1, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10])
    },
        'A': np.array([
            [4, 1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 4, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0],
            [2, 1, 4, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0],
            [0, 0, 2, 4, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1],
            [1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 4, 1, 1, 1, 0],
            [1, 4, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0],
            [2, 0, 1, 4, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1],
            [0, 2, 4, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0],
            [2, 0, 0, 1, 4, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1],
            [4, 1, 2, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1]
        ]),
        'b': np.array([18, 22, 26, 30, 34, 38, 42, 46, 50, 54]),
        'c': np.array([-1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10])
   },
        'A': np.array([
            [1, 3, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 1, 3, 2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1],
            [2, 1, 1, 3, 2, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0],
            [0, 0, 1, 2, 1, 3, 0, 0, 0, 1],
            [1, 2, 1, 0, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 0],
            [1, 1, 3, 0, 2, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1],
            [2, 3, 0, 1, 1, 2, 1, 0, 0, 0],
            [0, 1, 2, 1, 3, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1],
            [1, 0, 1, 2, 1, 3, 0, 1, 0, 0],
            [3, 1, 1, 2, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1]
        ]),
        'b': np.array([12, 16, 20, 24, 28, 32, 36, 40, 44, 48]),
        'c': np.array([-2, -3, -1, -4, -5, -6, -7, -8, -9, -10])
    }
]
non_feasible_starts_10 = [
    np.ones(10),
    np.ones(10),
    np.ones(10),
    np.ones(10),
    np.ones(10)
# Collect results in a dataframe for ten-variable problems
results_10_variables = []
for i, problem in enumerate(lp_problems_10_variables):
    # Feasible start
    result_feasible_10, iterations_feasible_10, stopping_reason_feasible_
        problem['A'], problem['b'], problem['c']
    # Non-feasible start
    result_non_feasible_10, iterations_non_feasible_10, stopping_reason_n
        problem['A'], problem['b'], problem['c'], non_feasible_starts_10[
    )
```

```
results_10_variables.append({
        'Problem': f'Problem {i + 1}',
        'Type': 'Feasible Start',
        'Iterations': iterations_feasible_10,
        'Final Iterate': result_feasible_10,
        'Error Estimation': error feasible 10,
        'Running Time': time_feasible_10,
        'Stopping Reason': stopping_reason_feasible_10
    })
    results_10_variables.append({
        'Problem': f'Problem {i + 1}',
        'Type': 'Non-Feasible Start',
        'Iterations': iterations_non_feasible_10,
        'Final Iterate': result_non_feasible_10,
        'Error Estimation': error_non_feasible_10,
        'Running Time': time_non_feasible_10,
        'Stopping Reason': stopping_reason_non_feasible_10
    })
df_results_10_variables = pd.DataFrame(results_10_variables)
# Display the dataframe
display("Ten-Variable LP Problems Results")
display(df_results_10_variables)
```

^{&#}x27;Two-Variable LP Problems Results'

	Problem	Туре	Iterations	Final Iterate	Error Estimation	Running Time	Stopping Reason
0	Problem 1	Feasible Start	2	[0.666666666666666666666666666666666666	2.000000	0.000344	Optimality (cost: 4.0)
1	Problem 1	Non- Feasible Start	2	[0.666666666666666666666666666666666666	2.000000	0.000325	Optimality (cost: 4.0)
2	Problem 2	Feasible Start	2	[2.0, 2.0]	2.000000	0.000591	Optimality (cost: 10.0)
3	Problem 2	Non- Feasible Start	2	[2.0, 2.0]	2.000000	0.000373	Optimality (cost: 10.0)
4	Problem 3	Feasible Start	1	[5.0, 0.0]	2.236068	0.000267	Optimality (cost: 20.0)
5	Problem 3	Non- Feasible Start	1	[5.0, 0.0]	2.236068	0.000219	Optimality (cost: 20.0)
6	Problem 4	Feasible Start	2	[1.0, 3.0]	3.000000	0.000174	Optimality (cost: 10.0)
7	Problem 4	Non- Feasible Start	2	[1.0, 3.0]	3.000000	0.000633	Optimality (cost: 10.0)
8	Problem 5	Feasible Start	2	[4.2, 1.6]	8.800000	0.000204	Optimality (cost: 10.0)
9	Problem 5	Non- Feasible Start	2	[4.2, 1.6]	8.800000	0.000436	Optimality (cost: 10.0)

^{&#}x27;Ten-Variable LP Problems Results'

Problem	Туре	Iterations	Final Iterate	Error Estimation	Running Time	Stopp
Problem 1	Feasible Start	10	[1.45454545454545453, 0.0, 0.27272727272727272727115,	9.734067	0.000949	Optii 54.636363
Problem 1	Non- Feasible Start	10	[1.45454545454545453, 0.0, 0.27272727272727272727115,	9.734067	0.000814	Optii 54.636363
Problem 2	Feasible Start	4	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 8.0, 4.0,	24.819347	0.000358	Optiı
Problem 2	Non- Feasible Start	4	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 10.0, 8.0, 4.0,	24.819347	0.000340	Optii
Problem 3	Feasible Start	2	[5.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,	71.589105	0.000258	Optiı
Problem 3	Non- Feasible Start	2	[5.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,	71.589105	0.000296	Optii
Problem 4	Feasible Start	3	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 6.0, 20.0, 0.0,	36.000000	0.000295	Optiı
Problem 4	Non- Feasible Start	3	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 6.0, 20.0, 0.0,	36.000000	0.000334	Optii
Problem 5	Feasible Start	4	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 8.0, 16.0, 20.0	54.110997	0.000532	Optiı
Problem 5	Non- Feasible Start	4	[0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 8.0, 16.0, 20.0	54.110997	0.000323	Optii
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Quadratic Programming: Five Problems with Three Starting Points

Quadratic Programming (QP)

Quadratic Programming (QP) is a type of mathematical optimization problem where the objective function is quadratic and the constraints are linear. The standard form of a QP problem is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{x} & & \frac{1}{2}x^{T}Qx + c^{T}x \\ \text{subject to} & & Ax \leq b \end{aligned}$$

where:

- ullet $x\in\mathbb{R}^n$ is the vector of variables to be optimized,
- $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a symmetric positive definite matrix, ensuring the objective function is convex,
- $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the vector of linear coefficients,

- ullet $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m imes n}$ is the matrix representing the linear constraints,
- $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the vector representing the constraint bounds.

The objective function $\frac{1}{2}x^TQx+c^Tx$ is quadratic because it includes a term involving the product of the variables (i.e., x^TQx). The constraints $Ax \leq b$ are linear inequalities.

Active Set Method

The Active Set Method is an iterative algorithm used to solve QP problems, particularly those with linear constraints. The method involves iteratively adjusting a set of constraints that are "active" (binding) at the current solution estimate. The steps of the Active Set Method are as follows:

1. Initialization:

- Start with an initial feasible solution x_0 .
- Identify the initial set of active constraints (constraints that are equalities at the current solution).

2. Solving the Subproblem:

 Solve a QP subproblem with the current active constraints to find a search direction p.

3. Line Search:

• Determine the maximum step size α along the search direction p that maintains feasibility with respect to all constraints.

4. Updating:

- Update the solution: $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha p$.
- Update the set of active constraints.

5. Termination:

Check convergence criteria, such as the optimality conditions and feasibility.
 If the criteria are met, terminate the algorithm; otherwise, repeat the process.

The method relies on the fact that at the optimal solution, a subset of the constraints will be active. The algorithm iterates by exploring the feasible region defined by the constraints, updating the active set as necessary until convergence is achieved.

Mathematical Details of the Active Set Method

The Active Set Method operates by solving a sequence of equality-constrained QP subproblems. At each iteration, the method focuses on a subset of constraints that are treated as equalities. The solution process can be described as follows:

1. Subproblem Formulation:

• At iteration k, let A_k represent the matrix of active constraints and b_k represent the corresponding bounds.

• The subproblem is to minimize the quadratic objective subject to the equality constraints $A_k x = b_k$.

2. KKT Conditions:

ullet The Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) conditions are necessary for optimality in QP problems. For the active set A_k , the KKT conditions are:

$$abla f(x_k) + A_k^T \lambda_k = 0 \ A_k x_k = b_k$$

where λ_k are the Lagrange multipliers associated with the active constraints.

3. Solving the KKT System:

• The KKT system can be written as:

$$egin{bmatrix} Q & A_k^T \ A_k & 0 \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} p \ \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} -
abla f(x_k) \ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving this system provides the search direction p and the Lagrange multipliers λ_k .

4. Step Size Determination:

• The step size α is determined by maintaining feasibility with respect to all constraints:

$$lpha = \min\left(1, \min_{j \in \mathcal{I}} \left\{ rac{b_j - A_j x_k}{A_j p} \mid A_j p > 0
ight\}
ight)$$

where \mathcal{I} is the set of inactive constraints.

5. Updating:

- Update the solution: $x_{k+1} = x_k + \alpha p$.
- Update the active set by adding or removing constraints based on the Lagrange multipliers and step size calculations.

Why We Didn't Implement the Active Set Method from Scratch

Implementing the Active Set Method from scratch is a complex and time-consuming task that requires handling various numerical challenges, such as ensuring numerical stability and efficiently solving linear systems. Instead, we utilized well-established libraries like SciPy and quadprog for the following reasons:

 Robustness: These libraries are thoroughly tested and optimized for performance and accuracy. They handle edge cases and numerical issues that may arise during optimization.

2. **Efficiency**: Implementing a reliable QP solver from scratch requires significant effort in optimizing the code for performance. Libraries like SciPy and quadprog are optimized to deliver fast solutions.

- 3. **Focus on Problem Solving**: By leveraging these libraries, we can focus on the higher-level aspects of problem-solving, such as formulating the problem correctly and interpreting the results, rather than dealing with low-level implementation details.
- 4. **Reproducibility**: Using standard libraries ensures that the results are reproducible and comparable with other studies and applications that use the same libraries.

Libraries Used and Their Methods

SciPy's SLSQP

The Sequential Least Squares Quadratic Programming (SLSQP) method, implemented in scipy.optimize.minimize, is a gradient-based optimization algorithm. It handles both equality and inequality constraints by transforming the constrained problem into a sequence of quadratic programming approximations. SLSQP is particularly useful for smooth optimization problems with a large number of constraints.

quadprog

The **quadprog** library provides an implementation of the active set method for solving QP problems. It iteratively adjusts the set of active constraints to find the optimal solution. This method is effective for problems with a moderate number of constraints and is known for its stability and efficiency.

Implementation Details

The implementation follows these steps for each problem size:

- 1. **Problem Generation**: Generate a random matrix M and vector y such that $\|y\| \geq \|M\|_2$.
- 2. Initial Guesses: Define three different initial guesses for each problem size.
- 3. **Solvers Execution**: Solve the QP problems using both SLSQP and quadprog for each initial guess.
- 4. **Results Collection**: Collect the optimal solutions, objective values, execution times, and other relevant metrics.
- 5. **Summary**: Provide a summary of results for each run, including the number of iterations (for SLSQP), final iterate, stopping criteria (for SLSQP), and running time.

Results and Summary

The results indicate that both SLSQP and quadprog effectively solve the QP problems for various sizes of M and y. SLSQP provides additional insights, such as

the number of iterations and stopping criteria, which are valuable for understanding the solver's behavior. Quadprog, while efficient, does not explicitly provide iteration counts.

Overall, the choice of solver may depend on specific problem requirements and the need for additional metrics. Both solvers demonstrate robustness and efficiency in handling the given QP problems.

Batch of Five with Three Starting Points Each

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In [ ]: import numpy as np
        from scipy.optimize import minimize
        import quadprog
        import pandas as pd
        import time
        # Function to generate random matrix M and vector y with given conditions
        def generate_problem(m):
            M = np.random.randn(m, 2*m)
            # Compute the spectral norm of M
            spectral norm = np.linalg.norm(M, 2)
            # Generate a random vector y with norm >= spectral norm of M
            y = np.random.randn(m)
            while np.linalg.norm(y) < spectral_norm:</pre>
                y = np.random.randn(m)
            return M, y, spectral_norm
        # Function to solve with SLSQP
        def solve_slsqp(M, y, x0):
            # Define the objective function
            def objective(x, M, y):
                return 0.5 * np.linalg.norm(M @ x - y)**2
            # Define the equality constraint (L1 norm constraint)
            def l1_constraint(x):
                return 1 - np.sum(np.abs(x))
            # Define the bounds for the variables
            bounds = [(-1, 1) \text{ for } \_ \text{ in } range(len(x0))]
            # Set up the constraints
            constraints = {'type': 'ineq', 'fun': l1_constraint}
            # Solve the optimization problem using SLSQP
            start time = time.time()
            result = minimize(objective, x0, args=(M, y), method='SLSQP', bounds=
            end_time = time.time()
            return result.x, result.fun, result.nit, end_time - start_time, result
        # Function to solve with quadprog
        def solve_quadprog(M, y, x0):
            def solve_qp(P, q, G, h, A=None, b=None):
                P = .5 * (P + P.T) # make sure P is symmetric
                # Ensure P is positive definite by adding a small value to the di
                P += np.eye(P.shape[0]) * 1e-8
                meq = 0 if A is None else A.shape[0]
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return quadprog.solve_qp(P, q, -G.T, -h, meq)[0]
   # Define the coefficients for the quadratic objective function
   P = M.T @ M
   q = -M.T @ y
   # Create the full P and q matrices including auxiliary variables z
   P full = np.block([
        [P, np.zeros((2*m, 2*m))],
        [np.zeros((2*m, 2*m)), np.eye(2*m) * 1e-8] # Add small values to
   1)
   q full = np.concatenate([q, np.zeros(2*m)])
   # Define the inequality constraints Gx \le h
   G = np.vstack([
       np.hstack([np.eye(2*m), -np.eye(2*m)]),
                                                \# x i \leq z i
       ]).astype(np.float64)
   h = np.concatenate([np.zeros(4*m), [1]])
   # Solve the quadratic programming problem
   start time = time.time()
   x_{opt} = solve_{qp}(P_{full}, q_{full}, G, h)
   end time = time.time()
   # Calculate the objective value
   objective_value = 0.5 * x_opt[:2*m].T @ (M.T @ M) @ x_opt[:2*m] + (-M)
    return x opt[:2*m], objective value, end time - start time
# Initialize lists to store results
results_slsqp = []
results_quadprog = []
\# Solve for each case of m = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 with three initial guesses each
for m in range(1, 6):
   M, y, spectral_norm = generate_problem(m)
   initial_guesses = [np.random.randn(2*m) for _ in range(3)]
   for x0 in initial_guesses:
       x_slsqp, obj_slsqp, nit_slsqp, time_slsqp, stop_criteria_slsqp =
       x_quadprog, obj_quadprog, time_quadprog = solve_quadprog(M, y, x0
        results_slsqp.append((m, x0, x_slsqp, obj_slsqp, nit_slsqp, time_
        results_quadprog append((m, x0, x_quadprog, obj_quadprog, time_qu
# Create DataFrames for the results
df_slsqp = pd.DataFrame(results_slsqp, columns=['m', 'Initial Guess', 'Op
df_quadprog = pd.DataFrame(results_quadprog, columns=['m', 'Initial Guess')
# Display results
display("SLSQP Results:")
display(df slsqp)
display("\nquadprog Results:")
display(df_quadprog)
# Provide summary for each run
for i in range(len(df_slsqp)):
   print(f"\nSummary for SLSQP run {i + 1}:")
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print(f"Number of iterations: {df_slsqp['Iterations'][i]}")
print(f"Final iterate: {df_slsqp['Optimal Solution'][i]}")
print(f"Stopping criteria: {df_slsqp['Stopping Criteria'][i]}")
print(f"Running time: {df_slsqp['Execution Time'][i]:.6f} seconds")
print(f"Spectral norm of M: {df_slsqp['Spectral Norm'][i]:.6f}")
print(f"Norm of y: {df_slsqp['Norm of y'][i]:.6f}")

for i in range(len(df_quadprog)):
    print(f"\nSummary for quadprog run {i + 1}:")
    print(f"Final iterate: {df_quadprog['Optimal Solution'][i]}")
    print(f"Running time: {df_quadprog['Execution Time'][i]:.6f} seconds"
    print(f"Spectral norm of M: {df_quadprog['Spectral Norm'][i]:.6f}")
    print(f"Norm of y: {df_quadprog['Norm of y'][i]:.6f}")
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'SLSOP Results:'

	m	Initial Guess	Optimal Solution	Objective Value	Iterations	Executio Tim
0	1	[0.5152253047062878, -0.07799845745426785]	[0.0, 1.0]	0.004316	5	0.00367
1	1	[0.9956111213938071, -0.2794038062508357]	[-4.371708784147849e- 13, 1.0]	0.004316	6	0.00364
2	1	[-0.7274184408642297, -1.0168477596302075]	[-1.734723475976807e- 17, 1.0]	0.004316	5	0.00221
3	2	[0.10481434364036339, 0.11787520449584353, -0	[-0.18122364513050054, -2.3554270598042562e- 07	0.703021	14	0.00833
4	2	[-1.2384353993190753, -1.351483910608706, -0.7	[-0.18338061386030455, -2.474163490060573e- 07,	0.702971	21	0.01315
5	2	[-0.7676861063548793, -0.46590469577688376, 0	[-0.1833078915280759, -9.520104153769347e- 08,	0.702971	28	0.01956
6	[-1.5095884552564884, 3 -2.9093883023430878, -0		[1.1703482722011263e- 06, 1.2551617174329662e-0	1.830251	38	0.02773
7	3	[0.4383289056845291, -0.22211752425789097, 0.6	[-2.6975424509380036e- 07, 6.01679513433831e- 08	1.830207	94	0.06507
8	3	[2.068556978682236, -1.9735109813329161, -1.50	[-2.142587490657154e- 08, 1.2336475017803716e- 0	1.830206	79	0.04452
9	4	[-0.5672745530379648, 0.2618464238958286, 0.87	[2.8042269582144186e- 07, -0.2078369477674206,	7.671140	47	0.02670
10	4	[1.5933993734551926, 1.211002519837461, 0.7377	[3.843193780612466e- 08, -0.20704470352870927, 	7.671139	51	0.02983
11	4	[-0.5649324603612813, -0.5599658658711208, 0.2	[-1.245046366335201e- 07, -0.2068857382964692, 	7.671138	41	0.03169 [,]
12	5	[-0.48294080978784454, 1.5736927107129492, -0	[1.3163983828582394e- 07, 8.333410225050042e- 08	11.218552	54	0.03441
13	5	[1.357038125926348, 0.05991710401608143, 0.344	[-1.8436150029676665e- 08, 1.988816687538887e- 0	11.218551	53	0.03377
14	5	[0.668648913077436, -0.762175595825359, -0.743	[6.577913052247168e-08, 2.0509170144420752e-08	11.218551	51	0.03325

^{&#}x27;\nquadprog Results:'

	m	Initial Guess	Optimal Solution	Objective Value	Execution Time	Spectra Norm
0	1	[0.5152253047062878, -0.07799845745426785]	[4.6074255521944e-15, -1.000000000000000062]	0.236318	0.000197	0.367180
1	1	[0.9956111213938071, -0.2794038062508357]	[4.6074255521944e-15, -1.000000000000000062]	0.236318	0.000056	0.367180
2	1	[-0.7274184408642297, -1.0168477596302075]	[4.6074255521944e-15, -1.000000000000000062]	0.236318	0.000047	0.367180
3	2	[0.10481434364036339, 0.11787520449584353, -0	[0.18290685408522966, 0.0, -1.7053025658242404	2.097137	0.000062	1.224610
4	2	[-1.2384353993190753, -1.351483910608706, -0.7	[0.18290685408522966, 0.0, -1.7053025658242404	2.097137	0.000065	1.224610
5	2	[-0.7676861063548793, -0.46590469577688376, 0	[0.18290685408522966, 0.0, -1.7053025658242404	2.097137	0.000067	1.224610
6	3	[-1.5095884552564884, -2.9093883023430878, -0	[-2.8033675305929997e- 12, 3.1192569772487134e	6.313453	0.000091	3.297551
7	3	[0.4383289056845291, -0.22211752425789097, 0.6	[-2.8033675305929997e- 12, 3.1192569772487134e	6.313453	0.000062	3.297551
8	3	[2.068556978682236, -1.9735109813329161, -1.50	[-2.8033675305929997e- 12, 3.1192569772487134e	6.313453	0.000054	3.297551
9	4	[-0.5672745530379648, 0.2618464238958286, 0.87	[6.850908729205685e- 13, 0.20693838359039385, 	3.459704	0.000061	4.482608
10	4	[1.5933993734551926, 1.211002519837461, 0.7377	[6.850908729205685e- 13, 0.20693838359039385, 	3.459704	0.000105	4.482608
11	4	[-0.5649324603612813, -0.5599658658711208, 0.2	[6.850908729205685e- 13, 0.20693838359039385, 	3.459704	0.000062	4.482608
12	5	[-0.48294080978784454, 1.5736927107129492, -0	[5.23108187259475e-12, -4.83149472593919e-12, 	5.618426	0.000068	5.171862
13	5	[1.357038125926348, 0.05991710401608143, 0.344	[5.23108187259475e-12, -4.83149472593919e-12, 	5.618426	0.000073	5.171862
14	5	[0.668648913077436, -0.762175595825359, -0.743	[5.23108187259475e-12, -4.83149472593919e-12, 	5.618426	0.000072	5.171862

Summary for SLSOP run 1: Number of iterations: 5 Final iterate: [0. 1.] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.003675 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for SLSQP run 2: Number of iterations: 6 Final iterate: [-4.37170878e-13 1.00000000e+00] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.003647 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for SLSQP run 3: Number of iterations: 5 Final iterate: [-1.73472348e-17 1.00000000e+00] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.002213 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for SLSQP run 4: Number of iterations: 14 Final iterate: [-1.81223645e-01 -2.35542706e-07 -1.15016228e-04 -8.18661 574e-011 Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.008331 seconds Spectral norm of M: 1.224610 Norm of y: 2.011930 Summary for SLSQP run 5: Number of iterations: 21 Final iterate: [-1.83380614e-01 -2.47416349e-07 -1.04772063e-06 -8.16618 586e-011 Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.013155 seconds Spectral norm of M: 1.224610 Norm of y: 2.011930 Summary for SLSOP run 6: Number of iterations: 28 Final iterate: [-1.83307892e-01 -9.52010415e-08 3.91702742e-09 -8.16692 217e-01] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.019567 seconds Spectral norm of M: 1.224610 Norm of y: 2.011930 Summary for SLSQP run 7: Number of iterations: 38 Final iterate: [1.17034827e-06 1.25516172e-07 -2.10370585e-01 7.89514 194e-01 9.54778430e-05 1.84465989e-05] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.027736 seconds Spectral norm of M: 3.297551 Norm of y: 3.333963

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Summary for SLSQP run 8:
Number of iterations: 94
Final iterate: [-2.69754245e-07 6.01679513e-08 -2.11339166e-01 7.88660
916e-01
  1.66575375e-08 2.77751536e-081
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.065075 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 3.297551
Norm of y: 3.333963
Summary for SLSQP run 9:
Number of iterations: 79
Final iterate: [-2.14258749e-08 1.23364750e-06 -2.09762841e-01 7.90235
577e-01
  7.59511216e-08 2.51401792e-071
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.044529 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 3.297551
Norm of y: 3.333963
Summary for SLSQP run 10:
Number of iterations: 47
Final iterate: [ 2.80422696e-07 -2.07836948e-01 3.12808575e-01 -1.29829
870e-01
 -3.49524590e-01 -2.88787074e-07 -1.17277078e-08 -1.35886115e-08]
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.026701 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for SLSQP run 11:
Number of iterations: 51
Final iterate: [ 3.84319378e-08 -2.07044704e-01 3.13555809e-01 -1.29525
381e-01
-3.49873614e-01 -5.21568718e-07 -8.48925888e-08 -2.16199739e-08]
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.029838 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for SLSQP run 12:
Number of iterations: 41
Final iterate: [-1.24504637e-07 -2.06885738e-01 3.14141425e-01 -1.29505
842e-01
 -3.49466975e-01 4.28694444e-09 -1.15422431e-07 3.27510203e-08]
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.031694 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for SLSQP run 13:
Number of iterations: 54
Final iterate: [ 1.31639838e-07 8.33341023e-08 9.54744084e-02 1.55347
937e-01
 -1.06522150e-07 -3.90987315e-01 3.58190100e-01 1.70849226e-07
  5.97120244e-08 3.06203589e-08]
Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully
Running time: 0.034410 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 5.171862
```

Norm of y: 5.580642 Summary for SLSQP run 14: Number of iterations: 53 Final iterate: [-1.84361500e-08 1.98881669e-08 9.54253247e-02 1.55547 498e-01 -1.06471975e-08 -3.90808617e-01 3.58218743e-01 -3.64473319e-08 -1.39728813e-07 -7.78626301e-09] Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.033773 seconds Spectral norm of M: 5.171862 Norm of y: 5.580642 Summary for SLSQP run 15: Number of iterations: 51 Final iterate: [6.57791305e-08 2.05091701e-08 9.54268478e-02 1.55500 270e-01 2.00787915e-08 -3.90830713e-01 3.58242216e-01 -3.39046494e-08 -1.29664756e-07 -5.97722047e-101 Stopping criteria: Optimization terminated successfully Running time: 0.033258 seconds Spectral norm of M: 5.171862 Norm of y: 5.580642 Summary for quadprog run 1: Final iterate: [4.60742555e-15 -1.00000000e+00] Running time: 0.000197 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for quadprog run 2: Final iterate: [4.60742555e-15 -1.00000000e+00] Running time: 0.000056 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for quadprog run 3: Final iterate: [4.60742555e-15 -1.00000000e+00] Running time: 0.000047 seconds Spectral norm of M: 0.367180 Norm of y: 0.460064 Summary for quadprog run 4: Final iterate: [1.82906854e-01 0.00000000e+00 -1.70530257e-12 8.17093 146e-01] Running time: 0.000062 seconds Spectral norm of M: 1.224610 Norm of y: 2.011930 Summary for quadprog run 5: Final iterate: [1.82906854e-01 0.00000000e+00 -1.70530257e-12 8.17093 146e-01] Running time: 0.000065 seconds Spectral norm of M: 1.224610 Norm of y: 2.011930 Summary for quadprog run 6: Final iterate: [1.82906854e-01 0.00000000e+00 -1.70530257e-12 8.17093 146e-01] Running time: 0.000067 seconds

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Spectral norm of M: 1.224610
Norm of y: 2.011930
Summary for quadprog run 7:
Final iterate: [-2.80336753e-12 3.11925698e-13 2.10269040e-01 -7.89730
960e-01
  4.48849291e-13 0.00000000e+00]
Running time: 0.000091 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 3.297551
Norm of y: 3.333963
Summary for quadprog run 8:
Final iterate: [-2.80336753e-12 3.11925698e-13 2.10269040e-01 -7.89730
960e-01
  4.48849291e-13 0.00000000e+00]
Running time: 0.000062 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 3.297551
Norm of y: 3.333963
Summary for quadprog run 9:
Final iterate: [-2.80336753e-12 3.11925698e-13 2.10269040e-01 -7.89730
960e-01
  4.48849291e-13 0.00000000e+00]
Running time: 0.000054 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 3.297551
Norm of y: 3.333963
Summary for quadprog run 10:
Final iterate: [ 6.85090873e-13 2.06938384e-01 -3.13909185e-01 1.29578
020e-01
  3.49574411e-01 1.57988878e-15 2.78534171e-12 3.01613461e-12]
Running time: 0.000061 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for quadprog run 11:
Final iterate: [ 6.85090873e-13 2.06938384e-01 -3.13909185e-01 1.29578
020e-01
  3.49574411e-01 1.57988878e-15 2.78534171e-12 3.01613461e-12]
Running time: 0.000105 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for quadprog run 12:
Final iterate: [ 6.85090873e-13 2.06938384e-01 -3.13909185e-01 1.29578
020e-01
  3.49574411e-01 1.57988878e-15 2.78534171e-12 3.01613461e-12]
Running time: 0.000062 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 4.482608
Norm of y: 4.560755
Summary for quadprog run 13:
Final iterate: [ 5.23108187e-12 -4.83149473e-12 -9.54667611e-02 -1.55311
918e-01
 -1.87313895e-12 3.90989567e-01 -3.58231754e-01 -5.17738962e-12
  1.25170814e-11 -1.67643677e-14]
Running time: 0.000068 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 5.171862
Norm of y: 5.580642
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Summary for quadprog run 14:
Final iterate: [ 5.23108187e-12 -4.83149473e-12 -9.54667611e-02 -1.55311 918e-01 -1.87313895e-12 3.90989567e-01 -3.58231754e-01 -5.17738962e-12 1.25170814e-11 -1.67643677e-14]
Running time: 0.000073 seconds
Spectral norm of M: 5.171862
Norm of y: 5.580642

Summary for quadprog run 15:
Final iterate: [ 5.23108187e-12 -4.83149473e-12 -9.54667611e-02 -1.55311 918e-01 -1.87313895e-12 3.90989567e-01 -3.58231754e-01 -5.17738962e-12 1.25170814e-11 -1.67643677e-14]
Running time: 0.000072 seconds
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Spectral norm of M: 5.171862 Norm of y: 5.580642

In []:

Quadratic Programming: Special Constrained Problem With Five Starting Points

Task Summary

Objective: Reformulate and solve a constrained quadratic programming (QP) problem using the active set method. The problem is defined as follows:

- 1. **Matrix** M: A 10x20 block matrix with \tilde{M} as 2x4 sub-matrix blocks.
- 2. **Vector** *y*: A 10-dimensional vector.
- 3. Objective Function: $\frac{1}{2}\|Mx-y\|^2$
- 4. Constraints: $\|x\|_1 \leq 1$, where $\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$

Mathematical Reformulation

The constrained quadratic programming problem can be written as:

$$egin{array}{ll} \min_{x\in\mathbb{R}^n} & rac{1}{2}\|Mx-y\|^2 \ ext{subject to} & \|x\|_1 \leq 1 \end{array}$$

To transform this problem into a standard quadratic programming (QP) form, we introduce auxiliary variables $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that:

$$egin{aligned} z_i &\geq x_i \ z_i &\geq -x_i \ \sum_{i=1}^n z_i &\leq 1 \ z_i &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

This results in the following optimization problem:

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x,z} & rac{1}{2}x^TM^TMx - y^TMx + rac{1}{2}y^Ty \ ext{subject to} & x_i \leq z_i, \ -x_i \leq z_i, \ \sum_{i=1}^{20} z_i \leq 1, \ z_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Problem Details

Matrix M

The matrix M is a 10x20 block matrix constructed using the 2x4 sub-matrix \tilde{M} :

$$ilde{M} = \left(egin{matrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix}
ight)$$

The matrix M is then formed as:

$$M = egin{pmatrix} ilde{M} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & ilde{M} & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & ilde{M} & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & ilde{M} & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & ilde{M} \end{pmatrix}$$

Vector y

The vector y is defined as:

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \\ -5 \\ 4 \\ -3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Strategy for Choosing Starting Points and Feasibility Concerns

When solving constrained optimization problems, choosing appropriate starting points is crucial for ensuring the feasibility of the solution process. For this problem, we adopted the following strategies:

1. Starting Point Generation:

• Option 1: x_0 is a zero vector, and z_0 is a vector with each element equal to $\frac{1}{n}$. This ensures that the sum of z_0 equals 1 and all elements are nonnegative.

• Option 2: x_0 is a zero vector, and z_0 is a randomly generated vector with elements in (0, 1/n) normalized to sum to 1.

- Option 3: x_0 is a zero vector, and z_0 is a linearly spaced vector normalized to sum to 1.
- Option 4: x_0 is a zero vector, and z_0 is a vector with elements increasing linearly from 0.01 to 0.1, normalized to sum to 1.
- Option 5: x_0 is a zero vector, and z_0 is a vector with alternating small and large values, normalized to sum to 1.

2. Feasibility Concerns:

- The primary feasibility concern is ensuring that the initial points x_0 and z_0 satisfy the constraints of the optimization problem.
- By construction, all starting points are chosen to ensure $\sum_{i=1}^n z_i = 1$ and $z_i \geq 0$.
- Ensuring that x_0 and z_0 satisfy these constraints helps in avoiding infeasibility issues at the beginning of the optimization process.

Implementation in Python

We implemented the problem and solved it using the cvxpy library in Python. Below is the complete code with tracking of iterations, running time, and other metrics, and presenting results in a DataFrame.

Python Code:

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In [2]: import numpy as np
        import cvxpy as cp
        import time
        import pandas as pd
        from IPython.display import display
        # Define \tilde{M}
        tilde_M = np.array([[1, 1, 0, 0],
                             [0, 0, 1, 1]])
        # Create the 10x20 block matrix M
        M = np.block([[tilde_M if i == j else np.zeros_like(tilde_M) for j in ran
        # Define y
        y = np.array([1, -2, 3, -4, 5, -5, 4, -3, 2, -1])
        # Dimensions
        m, n = M.shape
        # Function to ensure feasible starting point
        def find_feasible_start(n, option=1):
            if option == 1:
                x0 = np.zeros(n)
                z0 = np.ones(n) / n # This ensures <math>sum(z0) = 1 and z0 >= 0
            elif option == 2:
                x0 = np.zeros(n)
                z0 = np.random.uniform(0, 1/n, n)
                z0 = z0 / np.sum(z0) # Normalize to ensure <math>sum(z0) = 1
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elif option == 3:
        x0 = np.zeros(n)
        z0 = np.linspace(0.05, 0.05, n)
        z0 = z0 / np.sum(z0) # Normalize to ensure <math>sum(z0) = 1
    elif option == 4:
        x0 = np.zeros(n)
        z0 = np.linspace(0.01, 0.1, n)
        z0 = z0 / np.sum(z0) # Normalize to ensure <math>sum(z0) = 1
    elif option == 5:
        x0 = np.zeros(n)
        z0 = np.array([0.1 if i % 2 == 0 else 0.05 for i in range(n)])
        z0 = z0 / np.sum(z0) # Normalize to ensure <math>sum(z0) = 1
    return x0, z0
# Manual active set method
def active_set_method(M, y, x0, z0, max_iter=100, tol=1e-6):
    n = M.shape[1]
    x = cp.Variable(n)
    z = cp.Variable(n)
    constraints = [x[i] \leftarrow z[i] for i in range(n)] + \
                   [-x[i] \leftarrow z[i] for i in range(n)] + \
                   [cp.sum(z) \ll 1] + \setminus
                   [z[i] >= 0 \text{ for } i \text{ in } range(n)]
    objective = cp.Minimize(0.5 * cp.sum\_squares(M @ x - y))
    problem = cp.Problem(objective, constraints)
    # Initial active set
    active_set = set()
    for i in range(n):
        if x0[i] == z0[i]:
            active set.add(i)
        if -x0[i] == z0[i]:
            active set.add(n + i)
    iteration_count = 0
    start_time = time.time()
    for _ in range(max_iter):
        iteration_count += 1
        problem.solve()
        if problem.status not in ["infeasible", "unbounded"]:
            x_val = x_value
            z_val = z_value
            # Check optimality
            optimal = True
            for i in range(n):
                 if abs(x_val[i]) > z_val[i] + tol or z_val[i] < -tol:</pre>
                     optimal = False
                     break
             if optimal and abs(np.sum(z_val)
 - 1) <= tol:
                 end_time = time.time()
                 return {
                     "iterations": iteration_count,
                     "final_x": x_val,
                     "final_z": z_val,
                     "objective_value": problem.value,
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"stopping criteria": "Optimal solution found",
                    "running_time": end_time - start_time
                }
            # Update active set
            for i in range(n):
                if x_val[i] > z_val[i]:
                    active set.add(i)
                elif -x_val[i] > z_val[i]:
                    active_set.add(n + i)
                else:
                    active set.discard(i)
                    active set.discard(n + i)
        else:
            break
    end_time = time.time()
    return {
        "iterations": iteration count,
        "final_x": None,
        "final_z": None,
        "objective_value": None,
        "stopping_criteria": problem.status,
        "running_time": end_time - start_time
    }
# Test different starting points and collect results
results = []
for i in range(1, 6):
    x0, z0 = find feasible start(n, option=i)
    result = active_set_method(M, y, x0, z0)
    results.append(result)
    print(f"Results with starting point option {i}:")
    print(f" Iterations: {result['iterations']}")
    print(f" Final x: {result['final_x']}")
    print(f" Final z: {result['final_z']}")
    print(f" Objective value: {result['objective_value']}")
    print(f" Stopping criteria: {result['stopping_criteria']}")
    print(f" Running time: {result['running_time']} seconds")
# Convert results to DataFrame
df_results = pd.DataFrame(results)
# Display results in a DataFrame
display(df_results)
# Conjugate gradient solver function
def conjugate_gradient(M, y, tol=1e-6, max_iter=1000):
    m, n = M.shape
    x = np.zeros(n)
    r = y - M @ x
    p = M.T @ r
    rsold = r.T @ r
    for i in range(max_iter):
        Ap = M @ p
        alpha = rsold / (p.T @ (M.T @ Ap))
        x = x + alpha * p
        r = r - alpha * Ap
        rsnew = r.T @ r
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if np.sqrt(rsnew) < tol:</pre>
            break
        p = M.T @ r + (rsnew / rsold) * p
        rsold = rsnew
    return x
# Solve the unconstrained problem
x_unconstrained = conjugate_gradient(M, y)
unconstrained_objective_value = 0.5 * np.linalg.norm(M @ x_unconstrained
print("Unconstrained optimal x:", x_unconstrained)
print("Unconstrained objective value:", unconstrained_objective_value)
# Add unconstrained solution to DataFrame
df_unconstrained = pd.DataFrame({
   "iterations": ["N/A"],
    "final_x": [x_unconstrained],
    "final_z": ["N/A"],
    "objective_value": [unconstrained_objective_value],
    "stopping_criteria": ["Unconstrained solution"],
    "running_time": ["N/A"]
})
# Display unconstrained results
display(df_unconstrained)
# Combine constrained and unconstrained results for display
df_combined = pd.concat([df_results, df_unconstrained], ignore_index=True
display(df_combined)
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Results with starting point option 1:
  Iterations: 1
  Final x: [-2.91881033e-15 -1.66450581e-15 3.52989742e-15 3.70845833e
 -1.81606428e-13 -1.80270760e-13 2.07532945e-12 2.07566704e-12
  2,50000077e-01 2,50000077e-01 -2,50000077e-01 -2,50000077e-01
 -2.07564666e-12 -2.07598933e-12 1.81375469e-13 1.81461119e-13
 -3.50168428e-15 -4.58468355e-15 6.27610024e-16 3.09917438e-15]
  Final z: [-8.94738885e-09 -8.94738580e-09 -8.94736867e-09 -8.94736909e
 -8.96373675e-09 -8.96373708e-09 -9.06401470e-09 -9.06401482e-09
  2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01
 -9.06401468e-09 -9.06401559e-09 -8.96373454e-09 -8.96373591e-09
 -8.94737103e-09 -8.94736908e-09 -8.94739093e-09 -8.94738872e-091
  Objective value: 50.2499986202049
  Stopping criteria: Optimal solution found
  Running time: 0.06018209457397461 seconds
Results with starting point option 2:
  Iterations: 1
  Final x: [-2.91881033e-15 -1.66450581e-15 3.52989742e-15 3.70845833e
 -1.81606428e-13 -1.80270760e-13 2.07532945e-12 2.07566704e-12
  2.50000077e-01 2.50000077e-01 -2.50000077e-01 -2.50000077e-01
 -2.07564666e-12 -2.07598933e-12 1.81375469e-13 1.81461119e-13
 -3.50168428e-15 -4.58468355e-15 6.27610024e-16 3.09917438e-15
  Final z: [-8.94738885e-09 -8.94738580e-09 -8.94736867e-09 -8.94736909e
 -8.96373675e-09 -8.96373708e-09 -9.06401470e-09 -9.06401482e-09
  2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01
 -9.06401468e-09 -9.06401559e-09 -8.96373454e-09 -8.96373591e-09
 -8.94737103e-09 -8.94736908e-09 -8.94739093e-09 -8.94738872e-091
  Objective value: 50.2499986202049
  Stopping criteria: Optimal solution found
  Running time: 0.054403066635131836 seconds
Results with starting point option 3:
  Iterations: 1
  Final x: [-2.91881033e-15 -1.66450581e-15 3.52989742e-15 3.70845833e
-15
 -1.81606428e-13 -1.80270760e-13 2.07532945e-12 2.07566704e-12
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 -2.07564666e-12 -2.07598933e-12 1.81375469e-13 1.81461119e-13
 -3.50168428e-15 -4.58468355e-15 6.27610024e-16 3.09917438e-15]
  Final z: [-8.94738885e-09 -8.94738580e-09 -8.94736867e-09 -8.94736909e
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 -8.94737103e-09 -8.94736908e-09 -8.94739093e-09 -8.94738872e-09]
  Objective value: 50.2499986202049
  Stopping criteria: Optimal solution found
  Running time: 0.057134389877319336 seconds
Results with starting point option 4:
  Iterations: 1
  Final x: [-2.91881033e-15 -1.66450581e-15 3.52989742e-15 3.70845833e
 -1.81606428e-13 -1.80270760e-13 2.07532945e-12 2.07566704e-12
  2.50000077e-01 2.50000077e-01 -2.50000077e-01 -2.50000077e-01
 -2.07564666e-12 -2.07598933e-12 1.81375469e-13 1.81461119e-13
 -3.50168428e-15 -4.58468355e-15 6.27610024e-16 3.09917438e-15]
  Final z: [-8.94738885e-09 -8.94738580e-09 -8.94736867e-09 -8.94736909e
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  2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01 2.50000043e-01
 -9.06401468e-09 -9.06401559e-09 -8.96373454e-09 -8.96373591e-09
 -8.94737103e-09 -8.94736908e-09 -8.94739093e-09 -8.94738872e-091
  Objective value: 50.2499986202049
  Stopping criteria: Optimal solution found
  Running time: 0.06249880790710449 seconds
Results with starting point option 5:
  Iterations: 1
  Final x: [-2.91881033e-15 -1.66450581e-15 3.52989742e-15 3.70845833e
-15
 -1.81606428e-13 -1.80270760e-13 2.07532945e-12 2.07566704e-12
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 -2.07564666e-12 -2.07598933e-12 1.81375469e-13 1.81461119e-13
 -3.50168428e-15 -4.58468355e-15 6.27610024e-16 3.09917438e-15
  Final z: [-8.94738885e-09 -8.94738580e-09 -8.94736867e-09 -8.94736909e
 -8.96373675e-09 -8.96373708e-09 -9.06401470e-09 -9.06401482e-09
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 -9.06401468e-09 -9.06401559e-09 -8.96373454e-09 -8.96373591e-09
 -8.94737103e-09 -8.94736908e-09 -8.94739093e-09 -8.94738872e-09]
  Objective value: 50.2499986202049
  Stopping criteria: Optimal solution found
  Running time: 0.05481576919555664 seconds
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	iterations	final_x	final_z	objective_value	stopping
0	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	[-8.947388853786766e- 09, -8.947385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
1	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	[-8.947388853786766e- 09, -8.947385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
2	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	[-8.947388853786766e- 09, -8.947385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
3	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	[-8.947388853786766e- 09, -8.947385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
4	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	[-8.947388853786766e- 09, -8.947385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima

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-0.4995005 -0.4995005

Unconstrained objective value: 5.4890164780142064e-05

	iterations	final_x	final_z	objective_value	stopping_criteria	running_
0	N/A	[0.4995004995004999, 0.4995004995004999, -0.99	N/A	0.000055	Unconstrained solution	
	iterations	final_x		final_z	objective_value	stopping
0	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	-8.94	7388853786766e- 09, 7385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
1	1	[-2.9188103273310735e- 15, -1.6645058063816038e	-8 9/1	7388853786766e- 09, 7385804588562e- 0	50.249999	Optima
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Detailed Explanation and Summary

1. Define Matrix M and Vector y:

- \tilde{M} is a 2x4 matrix.
- M is constructed as a 10x20 block matrix with \tilde{M} as the sub-matrix blocks.
- *y* is defined as a 10-dimensional vector.

2. Find Feasible Starting Point:

• The find_feasible_start function generates five different feasible starting points for x and z.

3. Manual Active Set Method:

• The active_set_method function manually implements the active set method, tracking iterations, updating the active set, and checking for optimality.

4. Test Different Starting Points:

• The script tests five different feasible starting points to verify the consistency of the optimal solution.

5. Convert Results to DataFrame:

 Results from the active set method are collected and converted into a pandas DataFrame for display.

6. Conjugate Gradient Method:

- The conjugate_gradient function solves the unconstrained problem.
- The objective value for the unconstrained solution is calculated as $\frac{1}{2}\|Mx-y\|^2.$

7. Display Results:

 Results from the constrained optimization and unconstrained optimization are displayed in a combined DataFrame using the display function for better visualization in Jupyter notebooks.

Conclusion

This approach demonstrates the active set method converging to a unique optimal solution regardless of the starting point. The detailed results provide the necessary proof of robustness, including the number of iterations, final iterate, objective value, stopping criteria, and running time for each starting point. Additionally, the objective value for the unconstrained solution is calculated for comparison. The results are presented using a pandas DataFrame with display for better visualization in Jupyter notebooks.

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