
This supplementary material contains the simplification of the Dome test under standardization conditions. We refer the interested readers to the paper - Xiang et.al. 2016: screening tests for lasso problems - for detailed description of the Dome test.

The lasso model is defined as the following optimization problem

$$\hat{\beta}(\lambda) = \underset{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2n} \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|_1, \quad (1)$$

where \mathbf{y} is the $n \times 1$ response vector, $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p)$ is the $n \times p$ feature matrix, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$ is the coefficient vector, and $\lambda \geq 0$ is a regularization parameter. $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|_1$ respectively denote the Euclidean (ℓ_2) norm and ℓ_1 norm.

The dual formulation of the lasso problem (1):

$$\hat{\theta}(\lambda) = \underset{\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{1}{2n} \|\mathbf{y}\|^2 - \frac{n\lambda^2}{2} \left\| \theta - \frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda} \right\|^2 \quad (2)$$

$$\text{subject to } |\mathbf{x}_j^T \theta| \leq 1, \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, p, \quad (3)$$

where $\hat{\theta}(\lambda)$ is the dual optimal solution of Problem (1) under the constraints (3).

First, since $\frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda_{max}}$ (where $\lambda_{max} = |\frac{1}{n} \mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{y}|$) is a feasible solution to the dual problem of the lasso, the *default spherical bound* (based on Eq. 22 of the paper Xiang et. al. 2016) is, $\left\| \theta - \frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda} \right\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{n} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}} \right)$. We then have the following dome region (for non-negative lasso problem) based on notations in Section 4.3,

$$D(\mathbf{q}, r; \mathbf{n}, c) = \left\{ \theta : \left\| \theta - \frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda} \right\| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{n} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}} \right), \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \mathbf{x}_*^T \theta \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right\}$$

with center $\mathbf{q} = \frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda}$ and radius $r = \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{n} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}} \right)$. $\mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \mathbf{x}_*$ is the unit norm to the half-space $\{\mathbf{x}_*^T \theta \leq 1\}$, and $c = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$.

Eqs. (24) - (26) in Section 4.3 become the following,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_d &= (\mathbf{n}^T \mathbf{q} - c)/r = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\frac{\lambda_{max}}{\lambda} - 1 \right) / r \\ \mathbf{q}_d &= \mathbf{q} - \psi_d r \mathbf{n} = \frac{\mathbf{y}}{n\lambda} - \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{\lambda_{max}}{\lambda} - 1 \right) \mathbf{x}_* \\ r_d &= r \sqrt{1 - \psi_d^2} = \frac{\lambda_{max} - \lambda}{n\lambda} \sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n} \end{aligned}$$

According to **Theorem 3**, the screening test for a nondegenerate dome $D(\mathbf{q}, r; \mathbf{n}, c)$ at j th feature \mathbf{x}_j :

$$T_{D(\mathbf{q}, r; \mathbf{n}, c)}(\mathbf{x}_j) = \begin{cases} 1; & \text{if } V_l(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j, \|\mathbf{x}_j\|) < \frac{\mathbf{y}^T}{n\lambda}\mathbf{x}_j < V_u(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j, \|\mathbf{x}_j\|); \\ 0; & \text{otherwise;} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

The Dome test rejects \mathbf{x}_j if $T_{D(\mathbf{q}, r; \mathbf{n}, c)}(\mathbf{x}_j) = 1$.

For the lasso problem, $V_u(t_1, t_2) = 1 - M_1(t_1, t_2)$ and $V_l(t_1, t_2) = -V_u(-t_1, t_2) = -1 + M_1(-t_1, t_2)$. $M_1(t_1, t_2)$ is given by the following definition with $|\psi_d| \leq 1$.

$$M_1(t_1, t_2) = \begin{cases} rt_2, & \text{if } t_1 < -\psi_d t_2; \\ -\psi_d r t_1 + r \sqrt{t_2^2 - t_1^2} \sqrt{1 - \psi_d^2}, & \text{if } t_1 \geq -\psi_d t_2. \end{cases}$$

Let $t_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j$, $t_2 = \|\mathbf{x}_j\| = \sqrt{n}$ (due to standardization). With some algebra, $t_1 < -\psi_d t_2$ implies $\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j < -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}$. $M_1(t_1, t_2)$, $V_l(t_1, t_2)$, $V_u(t_1, t_2)$ can be rewritten as,

$$M_1\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j, \|\mathbf{x}_j\|\right) = \begin{cases} \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{\sqrt{n}}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}}\right), & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j < -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \\ -\frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j + \frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j)^2}\sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n}, & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j \geq -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \end{cases}$$

$$V_u\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j, \|\mathbf{x}_j\|\right) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{\sqrt{n}}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}}\right), & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j < -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \\ 1 + \frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j - \frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j)^2}\sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n}, & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j \geq -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \end{cases}$$

$$V_l\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j, \|\mathbf{x}_j\|\right) = \begin{cases} -1 + \frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|}{\sqrt{n}}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{max}}\right), & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j > \frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \\ -1 + \frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j + \frac{\lambda_{max}-\lambda}{n\lambda}\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j)^2}\sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n}, & \text{if } \mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j \leq \frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}; \end{cases}$$

Plugging these terms into (4) with some algebra yields to the Dome test in three cases:

- If $\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j < -\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}$, the Dome test (4) rejects \mathbf{x}_j if,

$$-n\lambda + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T\mathbf{x}_j)^2}\sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n} < \mathbf{y}^T\mathbf{x}_j < n\lambda - \sqrt{n}\|\mathbf{y}\|\frac{\lambda_{max} - \lambda}{\lambda_{max}}$$

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- If $\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j > \frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}$, the Dome test (4) rejects \mathbf{x}_j if,

$$-n\lambda + \sqrt{n}\|\mathbf{y}\| \frac{\lambda_{max} - \lambda}{\lambda_{max}} < \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}_j < n\lambda + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j - (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j)^2} \sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n}$$

- If $-\frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|} \leq \mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j \leq \frac{n\lambda_{max}}{\|\mathbf{y}\|}$, the Dome test (4) rejects \mathbf{x}_j if,

$$\begin{aligned} & -n\lambda + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j)^2} \sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n} \\ & < \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{x}_j \\ & < n\lambda + (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j - (\lambda_{max} - \lambda)\sqrt{n - \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{x}_*^T \mathbf{x}_j)^2} \sqrt{\frac{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2}{\lambda_{max}^2} - n} \end{aligned}$$