

Numerical Algorithms for Sequential Quadratic Optimization

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Abstract

This thesis investigates numerical algorithms for sequential quadratic programming (SQP). SQP algorithms are used for solving nonlinear programs, i.e. mathematical optimization problems with nonlinear constraints.

SQP solves the nonlinear constrained program by solving a sequence of associating quadratic programs (QP's). A QP is a constrained optimization problem in which the objective function is quadratic and the constraints are linear. The QP is solved by use of the primal active set method or the dual active set method. The primal active set method solves a convex QP where the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite. The dual active set method requires the QP to be strictly convex, which means that the Hessian matrix must be positive definite. The active set methods solve an inequality constrained QP by solving a sequence of corresponding equality constrained QP's.

The equality constrained QP is solved by solving an indefinite symmetric linear system of equations, the so-called Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system. When solving the KKT system, the range space procedure or the null space procedure is used. These procedures use Cholesky and QR factorizations. The range space procedure requires the Hessian matrix to be positive definite, while the null space procedure only requires it to be positive semi-definite.

By use of Givens rotations, complete factorization is avoided at each iteration of the active set methods. The constraints are divided into bounded variables and general constraints. If a bound becomes active the bounded variable is fixed, otherwise it is free. This is exploited for further optimization of the factorizations.

The algorithms has been implemented in MATLAB and tested on strictly convex QP's of sizes up to 1800 variables and 7200 constraints. The testcase is the quadruple tank process, described in appendix A.

Main Findings of this Thesis

When the number of active constraints reaches a certain amount compared to the number of variables, the null space procedure should be used. The range space procedure is only preferable, when the number of active constraints is very small compared to the number of variables.

The update procedures of the factorizations give significant improvement in computational speed.

Whenever the Hessian matrix of the QP is positive definite the dual active set method is preferable. The calculation of a starting point is implicit in the method and furthermore convergence is guaranteed.

When the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite, the primal active set can be used. For this matter an LP solver should be implemented, which computes a starting point and an active set that makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite. This LP solver has not been implemented, as it is out of the range of this thesis.

Dansk Resumé

Dette Projekt omhandler numeriske algoritmer til sekventiel kvadratisk programmering (SQP). SQP benyttes til at løse ikke-lineære programmer, dvs. matematiske optimeringsproblemer med ikke-linære begrænsninger.

SQP løser det ikke-lineært begrænsede program ved at løse en sekvens af tilhørende kvadratiske programmer (QP'er). Et QP er et begrænset optimeringsproblem, hvor objektfunktionen er kvadratisk og begrænsningerne er lineære. Et QP løses ved at bruge primal aktiv set metoden eller dual aktiv set metoden. Primal aktiv set metoden løser et konvekst QP, hvor Hessian matricen er positiv semi definit. Dual aktiv set metoden kræver et strengt konvekst QP, dvs. at Hessian matricen skal være positiv definit. Aktiv set metoderne løser et ulighedsbegrænset QP ved at løse en sekvens af tilhørende lighedsbegrænsede QP'er.

Løsningen til det lighedsbegrænsede QP findes ved at løse et indefinit symmetrisk lineært ligningssystem, det såkaldte Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system. Til at løse KKT systemet benyttes range space proceduren eller null space proceduren, som bruger Cholesky og QR faktoriseringer. Range space proceduren kræver, at Hessian matricen er positiv definit. Null space proceduren kræver kun, at den er positiv semi definit.

Ved brug af Givens rotationer ungås fuld faktorisering for hver iteration i aktiv set metoderne. Begrænsningerne deles op i begrænsede variable og egentlige begrænsninger beskrevet ved funktionsudtryk. Begrænsede variable betyder, at en andel af variablene er fikserede, mens resten er frie pr. iteration. Dette udnyttes til yderligere optimering af faktoriseringerne mellem hver iteration.

Algoritmerne er implementeret i MATLAB og testet på strengt konvekse QP'er

bestående af op til 1800 variable og 7200 begrænsninger. Testeksemplerne er genereret udfra det firdobbelte tank system, som er beskrevet i appendix A.

Hovedresultater

Når antallet af aktive begrænsninger når en vis mængde i forhold til antallet af variable, bør null space proceduren benyttes. Range space proceduren bør kun benyttes, når antallet af aktive begrænsninger er lille i forhold til antallet af variable.

Når fuld faktorisering undgås ved at benytte opdateringer, er der betydelige beregningsmæssige besparelser.

Hvis Hessian matricen af et QP er positiv definit, bør dual aktiv set metoden benyttes. Her foregår beregningerne af startpunkt implicit i metoden, og desuden er konvergens garanteret.

Hvis Hessian matricen er positiv semi definit, kan primal aktiv set metoden benyttes. Men her skal der benyttes en LP-løser til at beregne et startpunkt og et tilhørende aktivt set, som medfører at den reducerede Hessian matrix bliver positiv definit. Denne LP-løser er ikke blevet implementeret, da den ligger udenfor området af dette projekt.

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

In optimal control there is a high demand for real-time solutions. Dynamic systems are more or less sensitive to outer influences, and therefore require fast and reliable adjustment of the control parameters.

A dynamic system in equilibrium can experience disturbances explicitly, e.g. sudden changes in the environment in which the system is embedded or online changes to the demands of the desired outcome of the system. Implicit disturbances have also to be taken care of in real-time, e.g. changes of the input needed to run the system. In all cases, fast and reliable optimal control is essential in lowering the running cost of a dynamic system.

Usually the solution of a dynamic process must be kept within certain limits. In order to generate a feasible solution to the process, these limits have to be taken into account. If a process like this can be modeled as a constrained optimization problem, model predictive control can be used in finding a feasible solution, if it exists.

Model predictive control with nonlinear models can be performed using sequential quadratic programming (SQP). Model predictive control with linear models may be conducted using quadratic programming (QP). A variety of different numerical methods exist for both SQP and QP. Some of these methods comprise the subject of this project.

The main challenge in SQP is to solve the QP, and therefore methods for solving QP's constitute a major part of this work. In itself, QP has a variety of applications, e.g. Portfolio Optimization by Markowitz, found in Nocedal and Wright [14], solving constraint least squares problems and in Huber regression Li and Swetits [1]. A QP consists of a quadratic objective function, which we want to minimize subject to a set of linear constraints. A QP is stated as

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u} \\ & \mathbf{b}_l \leq \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}_u, \end{aligned}$$

and this program is solved by solving a set of equality constrained QP's

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \bar{\mathbf{A}}^T \mathbf{x} = \bar{\mathbf{b}}. \end{aligned}$$

The methods we describe are the primal active set method and the dual active set method. Within these methods the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system¹

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} \mathbf{G} & -\bar{\mathbf{A}} \\ -\bar{\mathbf{A}}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{array} \right) = - \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{g} \\ \bar{\mathbf{b}} \end{array} \right)$$

is solved using the range space procedure or the null space procedure. These methods in themselves fulfill the demand of reliability, while the demand of efficiency is obtained by refinement of these methods.

1.1 Research Objective

We will investigate the primal and dual active set methods for solving QP's. Thus we will discuss the range and the null space procedures together with different refinements for gaining efficiency and reliability. The methods and

¹This is the KKT system of the primal program, the KKT system of the dual program is found in (4.69) at page 63.

procedures for solving QP's will be implemented and tested in order to determine the best suited combination in terms of efficiency for solving different types of problems. The problems can be divided into two categories, those with a low number of active constraints in relation to the number of variables, and problems where the number of active constraints is high in relation to the number of variables. Finally we will discuss and implement the SQP method to find out how our QP solver performs in this setting.

1.2 Thesis Structure

The thesis is divided into five main areas: Equality constrained quadratic programming, updating of matrix factorizations, active set methods, test and refinements and nonlinear programming.

Equality Constrained Quadratic Programming

In this chapter we present two methods for solving equality constrained QP's, namely the range space procedure and the null space procedure. The methods are implemented and tested, and their relative benefits, and drawbacks are investigated.

Updating of Matrix Factorizations

Both the null space and the range space procedure use matrix factorizations in solving the equality constrained QP. Whenever the constraint matrix is changed by either appending or removing a constraint, the matrix factorizations can be updated using Givens rotations. By avoiding complete re-factorization, computational savings are achieved. This is the subject of this chapter and methods for updating the QR and the Cholesky factorizations are presented.

Active Set Methods

Inequality constrained QP's can be solved using active set methods. These methods find a solution by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's, where the difference between two consecutive iterations is a single appended or

removed constraint. In this chapter we present the primal active set method and the dual active set method.

Test and Refinements

In this chapter we test how the presented methods perform in practice, when combined in different ways. We also implement some refinements, and their impact on computational speed and stability are likewise tested.

Nonlinear Programming

SQP is an efficient method of nonlinear constrained optimization. The basic idea is Newton's method, where each step is generated as an inequality constrained QP. Implementation, discussion and testing of SQP are the topics of this chapter.

CHAPTER 2

Equality Constrained Quadratic Programming

In this section we present various algorithms for solving convex¹ equality constrained QP's. The problem to be solved is

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (2.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.1b)$$

where $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is the Hessian matrix of the objective function f . The Hessian matrix must be symmetric and positive semi definite². $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ is the constraint matrix (coefficient matrix of the constraints), where n is the number of variables and m is the number of constraints. \mathbf{A} has full column rank, that is the constraints are linearly independent. The right hand side of the constraints is $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ denotes the coefficients of the linear term of the objective function.

¹The range space procedure presented in section 2.1 requires a strictly convex QP.

²The range space procedure presented in section 2.1 requires \mathbf{G} to be positive definite.

From the Lagrangian function

$$L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{x}^T \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \boldsymbol{x} - \mathbf{b}), \quad (2.2)$$

which is differentiated according to \boldsymbol{x} and the Lagrange multipliers $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{x} + \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} \quad (2.3a)$$

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = -\mathbf{A}^T \boldsymbol{x} + \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.3b)$$

the problem can be formulated as the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.4)$$

The KKT system is basically a set of linear equations, and therefore general solvers for linear systems could be used, e.g. Gaussian elimination. In order to solve a KKT system as fast and reliable as possible, we want to use Cholesky and QR factorizations. But according to Gould in Nocedal and Wright [14] the KKT matrix is indefinite, and therefore it is not possible to solve it by use of either of the two factorizations. In this chapter, we present two procedures for solving the KKT system by dividing it into subproblems, on which it is possible to use these factorizations. Namely the range space procedure and the null space procedure. We also investigate their individual benefits and drawbacks.

2.1 Range Space Procedure

The range space procedure based on Nocedal and Wright [14] and Gill *et al.* [2] solves the KKT system (2.4), corresponding to the convex equality constrained QP (2.1). The Hessian matrix $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ must be symmetric and positive definite, because the procedure uses the inverted Hessian matrix \mathbf{G}^{-1} . The KKT system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.5)$$

can be interpreted as two equations

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = -\mathbf{g} \quad (2.6a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.6b)$$

Isolating \mathbf{x} in (2.6a) gives

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.7)$$

and substituting (2.7) into (2.6b) gives us one equation with one unknown $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$

$$\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g}) = \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.8)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.9)$$

From the Cholesky factorization of \mathbf{G} we get $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ and $\mathbf{G}^{-1} = (\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{L}^{-1} = (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1}$. This is inserted in (2.9)

$$\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b} \quad (2.10)$$

so

$$(\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A})^T\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A})^T\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.11)$$

From simplifying (2.11), by defining $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$, where \mathbf{K} can be found as the solution to $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{A}$, and \mathbf{w} as the solution to $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{g}$, we get

$$\mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.12)$$

By now \mathbf{K} , \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{b} are known, and by computing $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{K}$ we reformulate (2.12) into

$$\mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{z}. \quad (2.13)$$

The matrix \mathbf{G} is positive definite and the matrix \mathbf{A} has full column rank, so \mathbf{H} is also positive definite. This makes it possible to Cholesky factorize $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T$, and by backward and forward substitution $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ is found from

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{z}. \quad (2.14)$$

Substituting $\mathbf{M}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ with \mathbf{q} gives

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{z}, \quad (2.15)$$

and by forward substitution \mathbf{q} is found. Now $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ is found by backward substitution in

$$\mathbf{M}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{q}. \quad (2.16)$$

We now know $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ and from (2.6a) we find \mathbf{x} as follows

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{g} \quad (2.17)$$

gives us

$$\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.18)$$

and

$$\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.19)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}. \quad (2.20)$$

As \mathbf{K} , $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ and \mathbf{w} are now known, \mathbf{r} is computed as $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}$, and by backward substitution \mathbf{x} is found in

$$\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r}. \quad (2.21)$$

The range space procedure requires \mathbf{G} to be positive definite as \mathbf{G}^{-1} is needed. It is obvious, that the procedure is most efficient, when \mathbf{G}^{-1} is easily computed. In other words, when it is well-conditioned and even better, if \mathbf{G} is a diagonal-matrix or can be computed a priori. Another bottleneck of the procedure is the factorization of the matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. The smaller this matrix is, the easier the factorization gets. This means, that the procedure is most efficient, when the number of constraints is small compared to the number of variables.

Algorithm 2.1.1 summarizes how the calculations in the range space procedure are carried out.

Algorithm 2.1.1: Range Space Procedure.

Note: The algorithm requires \mathbf{G} to be positive definite and \mathbf{A} to have full column rank.

Cholesky factorize $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$

Compute \mathbf{K} by solving $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{A}$

Compute \mathbf{w} by solving $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{g}$

Compute $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{K}$

Compute $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}$

Cholesky factorize $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T$

Compute \mathbf{q} by solving $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{z}$

Compute $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ by solving $\mathbf{M}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{q}$

Compute $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}$

Compute \mathbf{x} by solving $\mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r}$

2.2 Null Space Procedure

The null space procedure based on Nocedal and Wright [14] and Gill *et al.* [3] solves the KKT system (2.4) using the null space of $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$. This procedure does not need $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ to be positive definite but only positive semi definite. This means, that it is not restricted to strictly convex quadratic programs. The KKT system to be solved is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.22)$$

where \mathbf{A} has full column rank. We compute the null space using the QR factorization of \mathbf{A}

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.23)$$

where $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-m)}$ is the null space and $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ is the range space. $(\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is orthogonal and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ is upper triangular.

By defining $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{p}$ we write

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z})\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{p}_z. \quad (2.24)$$

Using this formulation, we can reformulate $(\mathbf{x} \ \boldsymbol{\lambda})^T$ in (2.22) as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.25)$$

and because $(\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z})$ is orthogonal we also have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.26)$$

Now we will use (2.25) and (2.26) to express the KKT system in a more detailed form, in which it becomes clear what part corresponds to the null space. Inserting (2.25) and (2.26) in (2.22) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.27)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z})^T \\ -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} & -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.28)$$

By definition $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{0}$, which simplifies (2.28) to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.29)$$

This system can be solved using backward substitution, but to do this, we need the following statement based on (2.23)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R} \quad (2.30a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R})^T \quad (2.30b)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R})^T \mathbf{Y} \quad (2.30c)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} \quad (2.30d)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T. \quad (2.30e)$$

and therefore the last block row from (2.29)

$$-\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y = -\mathbf{b} \quad (2.31)$$

is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{p}_y = \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.32)$$

As \mathbf{R} is upper triangular this equation has a unique solution. When we have computed \mathbf{p}_y we can solve the middle block row in (2.29)

$$\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.33)$$

The only unknown is \mathbf{p}_z , which we find by solving

$$(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{p}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{g}). \quad (2.34)$$

The reduced Hessian matrix $(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$ is positive definite and therefore the solution to (2.34) is unique. We find it by use of the Cholesky factorization $(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^T$. Now, having computed both \mathbf{p}_y and \mathbf{p}_z , we find $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ from the first block row in (2.29)

$$\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z - (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = -\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.35)$$

which is equivalent to

$$(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z) + \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g}. \quad (2.36)$$

Using (2.24) $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z$ and (2.30) $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T$ this can be reformulated into

$$\mathbf{R} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{Y}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}) \quad (2.37)$$

and because \mathbf{R} is upper triangular, this equation also has a unique solution, which is found by backward substitution.

This is the most efficient procedure, when the degree of freedom $n - m$ is small, i.e. when the number of constraints is large compared to the number of variables. The reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$ grows smaller, when m

approaches n , and is thereby inexpensive to factorize. The most expensive part of the computations is the QR factorization of \mathbf{A} . While the null space \mathbf{Z} can be found in a number of different ways, we have chosen to use QR factorization because it makes \mathbf{Y} and \mathbf{Z} orthogonal. In this way, we preserve numerical stability, because the conditioning of the reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}$ is at least as good as the conditioning of \mathbf{G} .

Algorithm 2.2.1 summarizes how the calculations in the null space procedure are carried out.

Algorithm 2.2.1: Null Space Procedure.

Note: The algorithm requires \mathbf{G} to be positive semi definite and \mathbf{A} to have full column rank.

$$\text{QR factorize } \mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Cholesky factorize } \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^T$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{p}_y \text{ by solving } \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{p}_y = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{g}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{g})$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{r} \text{ by solving } \mathbf{L} \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{g}_z$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{p}_z \text{ by solving } \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{p}_z = \mathbf{r}$$

$$\text{Compute } \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z$$

$$\text{Compute } \boldsymbol{\lambda} \text{ by solving } \mathbf{R} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{Y}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})$$

2.3 Computational Cost of the Range and the Null Space Procedures

In this section we want to find out, how the range space and the null space procedures perform individually. We also consider whether it is worthwhile to shift between the two procedures dynamically.

2.3.1 Computational Cost of the Range Space Procedure

In the range space procedure there are three dominating computations in relation to time consumption. The computation of $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, computation of and Cholesky factorization of $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$.

Since $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is lower triangular, solving $\mathbf{LK} = \mathbf{A}$ with respect to \mathbf{K} is done by simple forward substitution. The amount of work involved in forward substitution is n^2 per column, according to L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18]. Since \mathbf{K} contains m columns, the total cost for computing \mathbf{K} is n^2m .

We define $\mathbf{K}_T = \mathbf{K}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. Making the inner product of two vectors of length n requires $2n$ operations. Since \mathbf{K}_T consists of m rows and as mentioned above \mathbf{K} contains m columns, then the computational workload involved in the matrix multiplication $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}_T \mathbf{K}$ is $2nm^2$.

The size of \mathbf{H} is $m \times m$, so the computational cost of the Cholesky factorization is roughly $\frac{1}{3}m^3$, according to L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18].

Thus, we can estimate the total computational cost of the range space procedure as

$$\frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m \quad (2.38)$$

and since $0 \leq m \leq n$, the total computational workload will roughly be in the range

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m \leq \frac{10}{3}n^3. \quad (2.39)$$

Here we also see, that the range space procedure gets slower, as the number of constraints compared to the number of variables increases.

Figure 2.1 shows the theoretical computational speed of the range space procedure. As stated above, it is obvious that the method gets slower as the number of constraints increases in comparison to the number of variables.

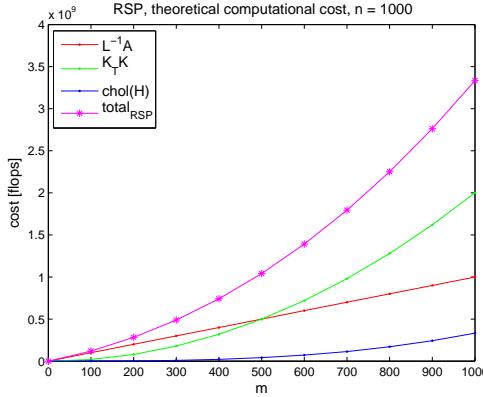


Figure 2.1: Theoretical computational speed for the range procedure.

2.3.2 Computational Cost of the Null Space Procedure

The time consumption of the null space procedure is dominated by two computations. The QR factorization of the constraint matrix \mathbf{A} and computation of the reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{GZ} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$.

With $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ as our point of departure, the computational work of the QR factorization is in the region $2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m)$, see L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18]. The QR factorization of \mathbf{A} is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.40)$$

where $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-m)}$, $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times m}$.

We now want to find the amount of work involved in computing the reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{GZ}$. We define $\mathbf{Z}_T = \mathbf{Z}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times n}$. The computational workload of making the inner product of two vectors in \mathbb{R}^n is $2n$. Since \mathbf{Z}_T

contains $n - m$ rows and G consists of n columns, the computational cost of the matrix product $Z_T G$ is $2n(n - m)n$. Because $(Z_T G) \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times n}$ and Z consists of $n - m$ columns, the amount of work involved in the matrix product $(Z_T G)Z$ is $2n(n - m)(n - m)$. Therefore the computational cost of making the reduced Hessian matrix is

$$2n(n - m)n + 2n(n - m)(n - m) = 2n(n - m)(2n - m). \quad (2.41)$$

So the total computational cost of the null space procedure is roughly

$$2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) + 2n(n - m)(2n - m) \quad (2.42)$$

and since $0 \leq m \leq n$, the total computational workload is estimated to be in the range of

$$\frac{4}{3}n^3 \leq 2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) + 2n(n - m)(2n - m) \leq 4n^3. \quad (2.43)$$

Therefore the null space procedure accelerates, as the number of constraints compared to the number of variables increases. Figure 2.2 illustrates this.

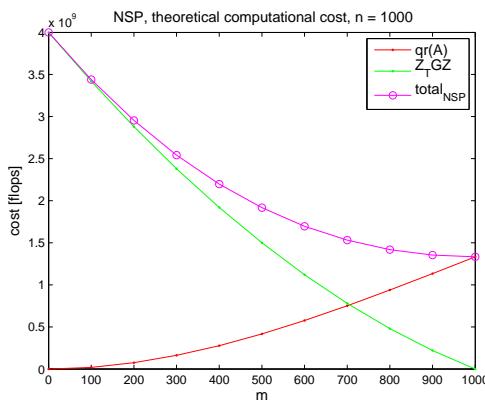


Figure 2.2: Theoretical computational costs for the null space procedure.

2.3.3 Comparing Computational Costs

To take advantage of the individual differences in computational speeds, we want to find out at what ratio between the number of constraints related to the number of variables, the null space procedure gets faster than the range space procedure. This is done by comparing the computational costs of both procedures, hereby finding the point, at which they run equally fast. With respect to m we solve the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m - 2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) - 2n(n - m)(2n - m) = \\ m^3 - 2nm^2 + 7n^2m - 4n^3 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (2.44)$$

where by we find the relation to be $m \simeq 0.65n$.

In figure 2.3 we have $n = 1000$ and $0 \leq m \leq n$, so the ratio, i.e. the point at which one should shift from using the range space to using the null space procedure is of course to be found at $m \simeq 650$.

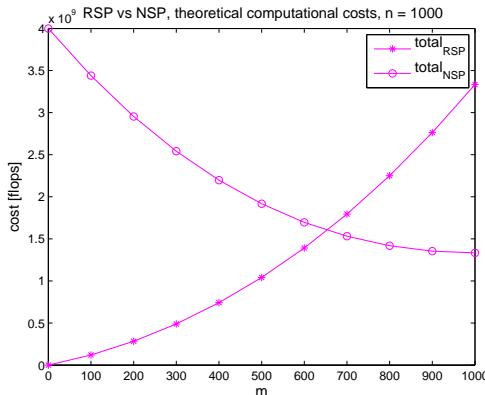


Figure 2.3: Total estimated theoretical computational costs for the range space and the null space procedures.

We made some testruns of the the two procedures by setting up a KKT system consisting of identity matrices. The theoretical computational costs are based on full matrices, and we know, that MATLAB treats identity matrices like full matrices. So by means of this simple KKT system we are able to compare the theoretical behavior of the respective procedures with the real behavior of our implementation. The test setup consists of $n = 1000$ variables and $0 \leq m \leq n$

constraints, as illustrated in figures 2.4 and 2.5. The black curves represent all computations carried out by the two procedures. It is clear, that they run parallel to the magenta representing the dominating computations. This verifies our comparison between the theoretical computational workloads with our test setup.

In figure 2.4 we test the range space procedure, and the behavior is just as expected, when compared to the theory represented in figure 2.1.

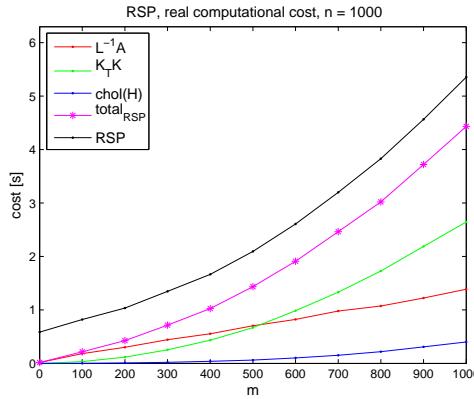


Figure 2.4: Real computational cost for the range space procedure.

In figure 2.5 the null space procedure is tested. The computation of the reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}_T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}$ behaves as expected. The behavior of the QR factorization of \mathbf{A} however is not as expected, compared to figure 2.2. When $0 \leq m \lesssim 100$, the computational time is too small to be properly measured. The QR factorization still behaves some what unexpectedly, when $100 \lesssim m \leq 1000$. Hence the advantage of shifting from the range space to the null space procedure decreases. In other words, the ratio between the number of constraints related to the number of variables, where the null space procedure gets faster than the range space procedure, is larger than expected. Therefore using the null space procedure might actually prove to be a disadvantage. This is clearly in figure 2.6, where the dominating computations for the range space and the null space procedures are compared to each other. From this plot it is clear, that the ratio indicating when to shift procedure is much bigger in practice than in theory. The cause of this could be an inappropriate implementation of the QR factorization in MATLAB, architecture of the processing unit, memory access etc.. Perhaps implementation of the QR factorization in a low level language could prove different.

It must be mentioned at this point, that the difference in unit on the abscissa

in all figures in this section does not influence the shape of the curves between theory and testruns, because the only difference between them is the constant ratio time/flop.

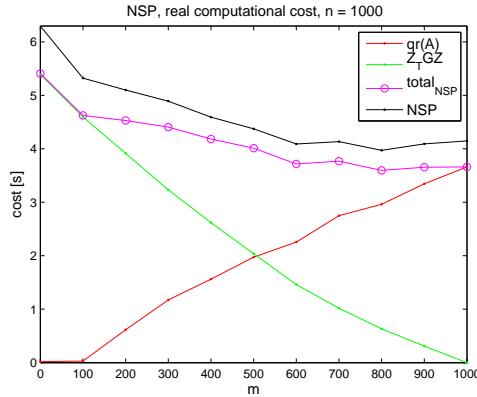


Figure 2.5: Real computational cost for the null space procedure.

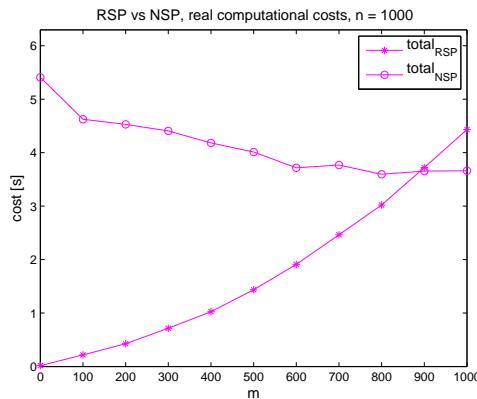


Figure 2.6: Real computational costs for the range space and the null space procedures.

CHAPTER 3

Updating Procedures for Matrix Factorization

Matrix factorization is used, when solving an equality constrained QP. The factorization of a square matrix of size $n \times n$ has computational complexity $O(n^3)$.

As we will describe in chapter 4, the solution of an inequality constrained QP is found by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's. The difference between two consecutive equality constrained QP's in this sequence is one single appended or removed constraint. This is the procedure of the active set methods.

Because of this property, the factorization of the matrices can be done more efficiently than complete refactorization. This is done by an updating procedure where the current factorization of the matrices in the sequence, is partly used to factorize the matrices for the next iteration. The computational complexity of this updating procedure is $O(n^2)$ and therefore a factor n faster than a complete factorization. This is important in particular for large-scale problems. The updating procedure discussed in the following is based on Givens rotations and Givens reflections.

3.1 Givens rotations and Givens reflections

Givens rotations and reflections are methods for introducing zeros in a vector. This is achieved by rotating or reflecting the coordinate system according to an angle or a line. This angle or line is defined so that one of the coordinates of a given point \mathbf{p} becomes zero. As both methods serve the same purpose, we have chosen to use only Givens rotations which we will explain in the following. This theory is based on the work of Golub and Van Loan [4] and Wilkinson [5]. A Givens rotation is graphically illustrated in figure 3.1. As illustrated we can rotate the coordinate system so the coordinates of \mathbf{p} in the rotated system actually become $(x', 0)^T$.

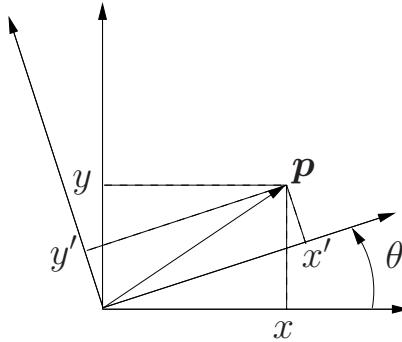


Figure 3.1: A Givens rotation rotates the coordinate system according to an angle θ .

The Givens rotation matrix $\hat{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ is defined as

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix}, \quad c = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \cos(\theta), \quad s = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \sin(\theta), \quad (3.1)$$

and $(x, y)^T$, $x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0$, is the vector \mathbf{p} in which we want to introduce a zero

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{p} &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \\ -\frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x^2+y^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \\ \frac{-xy+yx}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x^2+y^2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

If we want to introduce zeros in a vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the corresponding rotation matrix is constructed by the identity matrix $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, c and s . The matrix introduces one zero, modifies one element m and leaves the rest of the vector untouched

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c & s \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \vdots \\ x \\ x \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \vdots \\ x \\ m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{3.3}$$

Any Givens operation introduces only one zero at a time, but if we want to introduce more zeros, a sequence of Givens operations $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ can be constructed

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{1,2} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{2,3} \dots \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{n-2,n-1} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{n-1,n}, \tag{3.4}$$

which yields

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{v} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ \vdots \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma = \pm \|\mathbf{v}\|_2. \tag{3.5}$$

For example when $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ the process is as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ x \\ x \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{3,4}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{2,3}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{1,2}} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.6)$$

where m is the modified element.

3.2 Updating the QR Factorization

When a constraint is appended to, or removed from, the active set, updating the factorization is done using Givens rotations. This section is based on the work of Dennis and Schnabel [6], Gill *et al.* [7] and Golub and Van Loan [4] and describes how the updating procedure is carried out.

Appending a Constraint

Before the new column is appended, we take a closer look at the constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and its QR-factorization $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. The constraint matrix \mathbf{A} has full column rank, and can be written as

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m), \quad (3.7)$$

where \mathbf{a}_i is the i^{th} column of the constraint matrix. The QR-factorization of \mathbf{A} is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.8)$$

As \mathbf{Q} is orthogonal we have $\mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \mathbf{Q}^T$, so

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.9)$$

Inserting (3.7) in (3.9) gives

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}^T (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m). \quad (3.10)$$

Expression (3.9) can be written as

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{R}}{\mathbf{0}} \right) = \left(\frac{\begin{matrix} x_{(1,1)} & \cdots & x_{(1,m)} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ & & x_{(m,m)} \end{matrix}}{\mathbf{0}} \right). \quad (3.11)$$

Now we append the new column $\bar{\mathbf{a}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to the constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, which becomes $\bar{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m+1}$. To optimize the efficiency of the updating procedure, the new column is appended at index $m + 1$. The new constraint matrix $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ is

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \bar{\mathbf{a}}). \quad (3.12)$$

Replacing \mathbf{A} in (3.10) with $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ gives

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{Q}^T ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \bar{\mathbf{a}}), \quad (3.13)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = (\mathbf{Q}^T(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}). \quad (3.14)$$

Thus from (3.10), (3.11) and (3.14) we have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right), \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}, \quad (3.15)$$

where $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$. This can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} x_{(1,1)} & \cdots & x_{(1,m)} & \mathbf{v} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \mathbf{v} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & x_{(m,m)} & \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right). \quad (3.16)$$

Unless only the first element is different from zero in vector \mathbf{w} , the triangular structure is violated by appending $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$. By using Givens rotations, zeros are introduced in the vector $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})^T$ with a view to making the matrix upper triangular again. As a Givens operation only introduces one zero at a time, a sequence $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ of $n - m + 1$ Givens rotations is used

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(m+1,m+2)} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(m+2,m+3)} \dots \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(n-1,n)}, \quad (3.17)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(i+2,i+3)}$ defines the Givens rotation matrix that introduces one zero at index $i + 3$ and modifies the element at index $i + 2$. It is clear from (3.16) that the smallest amount of Givens rotations are needed, when $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ is appended at index $m + 1$. This sequence is constructed so that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{w}} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\gamma} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.18)$$

Now that the sequence $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ has been constructed, when we multiply it with (3.16) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} &= \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \left(\frac{\mathbf{R} | \mathbf{v}}{0 | \mathbf{w}} \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{\mathbf{R} | \mathbf{v}}{\frac{\mathbf{0}}{\mathbf{0}} | \frac{\gamma}{\mathbf{0}}} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} x_{(1,1)} & \dots & x_{(1,m)} & \mathbf{v} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \\ x_{(m,m)} & & & \gamma \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

This indicates, that the triangular shape is regained and the Givens operations only affects the elements in \mathbf{w} .

The QR-factorization of the new constraint matrix is

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.20)$$

Now that $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$ has been found, we only need to find $\bar{\mathbf{Q}}$ to complete the updating

procedure. From (3.19) we have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.21)$$

and because both $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ and \mathbf{Q}^T are orthogonal, this can be reformulated as

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{Q}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}. \quad (3.22)$$

From this expression it is seen that $\bar{\mathbf{Q}}$ is

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T. \quad (3.23)$$

The updating procedure, when appending one constraint to the constraint matrix is summarized in algorithm 3.2.1.

Algorithm 3.2.1: Updating the QR-Factorization, when appending a column.

Note: Having $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and its QR factorization, where $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. Appending a column $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ to matrix \mathbf{A} at index $m + 1$ gives a new matrix $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$. The new factorization is $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}}\bar{\mathbf{R}}$.

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = (\mathbf{A}, \bar{\mathbf{a}})$

Compute $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}$, where $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$.

Compute the Givens rotation matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ such that: $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \gamma \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$,

where $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$.

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}}$

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T$

Removing a Constraint

To begin with we take a close look at the situation before the column is removed. $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and its QR-factorization $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ have the

following relationship

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) & \mathbf{a}_i & (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.24)$$

where $(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1})$ are the first $i-1$ columns, \mathbf{a}_i is the i^{th} column and $(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)$ are the last $m-i$ columns. The QR-factorization of \mathbf{A} is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.25)$$

and as \mathbf{Q} is orthogonal we have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.26)$$

From (3.24) and (3.26) we thus have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}^T \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) & \mathbf{a}_i & (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.27)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Q}^T(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) & \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{a}_i & \mathbf{Q}^T(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.28)$$

Using expression (3.26) and (3.28) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
Q^T A &= \left(\begin{array}{c|c|c} R_{11} & R_{12} & R_{13} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & R_{22} & R_{23} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & R_{33} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \\
&= \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccccc} x_{(1,1)} & \dots & x_{(1,i-1)} & x_{(1,i)} & x_{(1,i+1)} & \dots & x_{(1,m)} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & x_{(i-1,i-1)} & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & x_{(i,i)} & & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0} & & \mathbf{0} & & x_{(i+1,i+1)} & \dots & \dots \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & 0 & & 0 & & x_{(m,m)} \end{array} \right). \tag{3.29}
\end{aligned}$$

Removing the column of index i changes the constraint matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ to

$$\bar{A} = ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)), \tag{3.30}$$

where $\bar{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (m-1)}$. Replacing A with \bar{A} in (3.27) gives

$$Q^T \bar{A} = Q^T ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)), \tag{3.31}$$

which is equivalent to

$$Q^T \bar{A} = (Q^T(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad Q^T(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)). \tag{3.32}$$

Together expression (3.28), (3.29) and (3.32) indicate that

$$Q^T \bar{A} = \left(\begin{array}{c|c} R_{11} & R_{13} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & R_{23} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & R_{33} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} x & \dots & x & x & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & x & & x & \dots & x \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & x & x & \dots & x \\ \mathbf{0} & & & x & \dots & x \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & & \dots & \dots \\ \hline 0 & & & & & x \end{array} \right). \tag{3.33}$$

The triangular structure is obviously violated and in order to regain it, Givens rotations are used. It is only the upper Hessenberg matrix $(\mathbf{R}_{23}, \mathbf{R}_{33})^T$, that needs to be made triangular. This is done using a sequence of $m - i$ Givens rotation matrices $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{13} \\ \mathbf{R}_{23} \\ \mathbf{R}_{33} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} x & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x & \dots & x \\ \hline x & \dots & x \\ x & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \\ x & & \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \hline m & \dots & \dots & m \\ m & \dots & \dots & m \\ \dots & \dots & & \\ m & & & \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.34)$$

This means, that the triangular matrix $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$ is found from the product of $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ and $\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}}$, so that we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc} x & \dots & x & | & x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & | & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x & & & | & x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & | & m & \dots & \dots & m \\ \mathbf{0} & & & | & & m & \dots & m \\ & & & | & & & \dots & \dots \\ & & & | & & & & m \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & | & & & & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right). \quad (3.35)$$

Now that we have found the upper triangular matrix $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$ of the new factorization $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \bar{\mathbf{R}}$, we only need to find the orthogonal matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$. As $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ and \mathbf{Q}^T are orthogonal (3.35) can be reformulated as

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{Q} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}, \quad (3.36)$$

which means that

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T. \quad (3.37)$$

The updating procedure, when removing a constraint from the constraint matrix is summarized in algorithm 3.2.2.

Algorithm 3.2.2: Updating the QR-Factorization, when removing a column.

Note: Having $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and its QR factorization, where $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. Removing a column \mathbf{c} from matrix \mathbf{A} gives a new matrix $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$. The new factorization is $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}}\bar{\mathbf{R}}$.

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ by removing \mathbf{c} from \mathbf{A}

Compute $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}}$

Compute the Givens rotation matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ such that: $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{P}$ is upper triangular

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{P}$

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T$

3.3 Updating the Cholesky factorization

The matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, derived through (2.9) on page 7 and (2.13) on page 8, is both symmetric and positive definite. Therefore it has the Cholesky factorization $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$, where $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ is lower triangular. This section is based on the work of Dennis and Schnabel [6], Gill *et al.* [7] and Golub and Van Loan [4], and presents the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization to be employed, when appending or removing a constraint from constraint matrix \mathbf{A} .

Appending a Constraint

When a constraint is appended to constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ at column $m+1$, the matrix $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ becomes

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{q}^T & r \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.38)$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$, $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$. The new Cholesky factorization is

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.39)$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{L}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Together (3.38) and (3.39) give

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{H}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{q}^T & r \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{0} & t \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{s}^T\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \mathbf{s}^T\mathbf{s} + t^2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.40)$$

From this expression $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ can be found via $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$, \mathbf{s} and t . Furthermore from (3.40) and the fact, that $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{LL}^T$, we have

$$\mathbf{H} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T = \mathbf{LL}^T, \quad (3.41)$$

which means that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \mathbf{L}. \quad (3.42)$$

From (3.40) and (3.42) we know that \mathbf{s} can be found from the expression

$$\mathbf{q} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}, \quad (3.43)$$

and from (3.40) we also have

$$r = \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + t^2. \quad (3.44)$$

On this basis t can be found as

$$t = \sqrt{r - \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s}}. \quad (3.45)$$

Now $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$, \mathbf{s} and t have been isolated, and the new Cholesky factorization has been shown to be easily found from (3.39). Algorithm 3.3.1 summarizes how the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization is carried out, when appending

a column to constraint matrix.

Algorithm 3.3.1: Updating the Cholesky factorization when appending a column.

Note: The constraint matrix is $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and the corresponding matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ has the Cholesky factorization $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$, where $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. Appending a column \mathbf{c} to matrix \mathbf{A} at index $m + 1$ changes \mathbf{H} into $\tilde{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$. The new Cholesky factorization is $\tilde{\mathbf{H}} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T$.

Let \mathbf{p} be the last column of $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}$

Let \mathbf{q} be \mathbf{p} except the last element

Let r be the last element of \mathbf{p}

Solve for \mathbf{s} in $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}$

Solve for t in $r = \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + t^2$

Compute $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix}$

Removing a Constraint

Before removing a constraint, i.e. the i^{th} column, from the constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, the matrix $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.46)$$

where $\mathbf{H}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$, $\mathbf{H}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$, $\mathbf{H}_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (m-i)}$, $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1)}$, $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i)}$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$. The matrix \mathbf{H} is Cholesky factorized as follows

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T, \quad \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \mathbf{L}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.47)$$

where $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\mathbf{L}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$ and $\mathbf{L}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$ are lower triangular and non-singular matrices with positive diagonal-entries. Also having $\mathbf{L}_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (i-1)}$. The vectors \mathbf{d} and \mathbf{f} have dimensions $\mathbb{R}^{(i-1)}$ and $\mathbb{R}^{(m-i)}$ respectively and $e \in \mathbb{R}$. The column $(\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{c} \mathbf{b}^T)^T$ and the row $(\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{c} \mathbf{b}^T)$ in (3.46) are removed, when the constraint at column i is removed from \mathbf{A} . This gives us

$\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$, which is both symmetric and positive definite

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.48)$$

This matrix has the following Cholesky factorization

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}} \bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.49)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{H}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.50)$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$, $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$ and $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$ are lower triangular, non-singular matrices with positive diagonal entries. Matrix $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}$ is of dimension $\mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (i-1)}$.

From (3.46) and (3.47) we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} &= \mathbf{H} \\ &= \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^T \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \mathbf{L}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{d} & \mathbf{L}_{12}^T \\ e & & \mathbf{f}^T \\ \mathbf{L}_{22}^T & & \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.51)$$

which gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{d} & \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T \\ \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{d} + e^2 & \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + e\mathbf{f}^T \\ \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{d} + \mathbf{f}e & \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.52)$$

From (3.48) and (3.50) we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.53)$$

Expressions (3.52) and (3.53) give

$$\mathbf{H}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T, \quad (3.54)$$

and

$$\mathbf{H}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T, \quad (3.55)$$

which means that

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{12}. \quad (3.56)$$

From (3.52) and (3.53) we also get

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T, \quad (3.57)$$

and together with (3.56) this gives

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T, \quad (3.58)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T. \quad (3.59)$$

From this expression we get

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})(\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})^T. \quad (3.60)$$

From (3.47) we know that $(\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})$ is not triangular. Therefore we now construct a sequence of Givens rotations $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i+1) \times (m-i+1)}$ so that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} &= \left(\begin{array}{c|cccc} x & x & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & x & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ x & x & x & \dots & x \end{array} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \\ &= \left(\begin{array}{c|ccccc} x & & & & & \\ \vdots & x & & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & & \\ x & x & \dots & x & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &= (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \ \mathbf{0}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.61)$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ is lower triangular. As the Givens rotation matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ is orthogonal, we have that $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T = \mathbf{I}$, and therefore we can reformulate (3.60) as

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T(\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})^T, \quad (3.62)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = ((\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}})((\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}})^T, \quad (3.63)$$

and according to (3.61) this renders

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \ \mathbf{0})(\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \ \mathbf{0})^T = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T. \quad (3.64)$$

Finally we now know that

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}, \quad (3.65)$$

which means that $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}$ may be constructed as

$$(\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \ \mathbf{0}) = (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \ \mathbf{0}) = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}. \quad (3.66)$$

Hence we now have everything for constructing the new Cholesky factorization:

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.67)$$

Algorithm 3.3.2 summarizes the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization, when a column is removed from the constraint matrix.

Algorithm 3.3.2: Updating the Cholesky factorization when removing a column.

Note: Having the constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and the corresponding matrix $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ with the Cholesky factorization $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$, where $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$. Removing column \mathbf{c} from matrix \mathbf{A} at index i changes \mathbf{H} into $\tilde{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$. The new Cholesky factorization is $\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T$.

Let $\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \mathbf{L}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$, where $(\mathbf{d}^T \ e)$ is the row at index i and $(e \ \mathbf{f}^T)^T$ is the column at index i .

Let $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11}$.

Let $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{12}$.

Let $\hat{\mathbf{L}} = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})$

Compute the Givens rotation matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ such that $\hat{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = (\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \ \mathbf{0})$, where $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}$ is triangular.

Compute $\bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \mathbf{0} \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

CHAPTER 4

Active Set Methods

In this chapter we investigate how to solve an inequality constrained convex QP of type

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{x}^T \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \boldsymbol{x} \quad (4.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad c_i(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i \boldsymbol{x} - b_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.1b)$$

The solution of this problem \boldsymbol{x}^* is also the same as to the equality constrained convex QP

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\boldsymbol{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{x}^T \mathbf{G} \boldsymbol{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \boldsymbol{x} \quad (4.2a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad c_i(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i \boldsymbol{x} - b_i = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{x}^*). \quad (4.2b)$$

In other words, this means that in order to find the optimal point we need to find the active set $\mathcal{A}(\boldsymbol{x}^*)$ of (4.1). As we shall see in the following, this is done by solving a sequence of equality constrained convex QP's. We will investigate two methods for solving (4.1), namely the primal active set method (section 4.1) and the dual active set method (section 4.3).

4.1 Primal Active Set Method

The primal active set method discussed in this section is based on the work of Gill and Murray [8] and Gill *et al.* [9]. The algorithm solves a convex QP with inequality constraints (4.1).

4.1.1 Survey

The inequality constrained QP is written on the form

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.3a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.3b)$$

where $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is symmetric and positive definite.

The objective function of the QP is given as

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.4)$$

and the feasible region is

$$\Omega = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i, i \in \mathcal{I}\} \quad (4.5)$$

The idea of the primal active set method is to compute a feasible sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega\}$, where $k = \mathbb{N}_0$, with decreasing value of the objective function, $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$. For each step in the sequence we solve an equality constraint QP

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k \quad (4.6a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (4.6b)$$

where $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k) = \{i \in \mathcal{I} : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i\}$ is the current active set. Because the vectors \mathbf{a}_i are linearly independent for $i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$, the strictly convex equality constrained QP can be solved by solving the corresponding KKT system using the range space or the null space procedure.

The sequence of equality constrained QP's is generated, so that the sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$ converges to the optimal point \mathbf{x}^* , where the following KKT conditions

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in I} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.7a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7b)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7c)$$

$$\mu_i^* \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7d)$$

$$\mu_i^* = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7e)$$

are satisfied.

4.1.2 Improving Direction and Step Length

For every feasible point $\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega$, we have a corresponding working set \mathcal{W}_k , which is a subset of the active set $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$, $\mathcal{W}_k \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$. \mathcal{W}_k is selected so that the vectors \mathbf{a}_i , $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$, are linearly independent, which corresponds to full column rank of $\mathbf{A}_k = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$.

If no constraints are active, $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_0 > b_i$ for $i \in \mathcal{I}$, then the corresponding working set is empty, $\mathcal{W}_0 = \emptyset$. The objective function (4.4) is convex, and therefore if $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \Omega} f(\mathbf{x}) \notin \Omega$, then one or more constraints will be violated, when \mathbf{x}_k seeks the minimum of the objective function. This explains why the working set is never empty, once a constraint has become active, i.e. $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i$, $i \in \mathcal{W}_k \neq \emptyset$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$.

Improving Direction

The feasible sequence $\{\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega\}$ with decreasing value, $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$, is generated by following the improving direction $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$. This leads us to

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{g}^T) \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}). \tag{4.8}
\end{aligned}$$

and in order to satisfy $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$, the improving direction \mathbf{p} must be computed so that $\phi(\mathbf{p}) < 0$ and $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \in \Omega$. Instead of computing the new optimal point $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ directly, computational savings are achieved by only computing \mathbf{p} . When $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$, the constraint $\mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = b_i$ becomes

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{a}_i^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = b_i + \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}, \tag{4.9}$$

so

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \tag{4.10}$$

and the objective function becomes

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}). \tag{4.11}$$

So for the subspaces $\mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$ and $\mathcal{S}_k = \{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$, we get

$$\min_{\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathcal{M}_k} f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{S}_k} f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{S}_k} \phi(\mathbf{p}) \tag{4.12}$$

and hereby we have the following relations

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}^* = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^* \quad (4.13)$$

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}^*). \quad (4.14)$$

For these relations $\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*$ and $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)$ respectively are the optimal solution and the optimal value of

$$\min_{\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{G} \bar{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{g}^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} \quad (4.15a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.15b)$$

and \mathbf{p}^* and $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*)$ respectively are the optimal solution and the optimal value of

$$\min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \phi(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.16a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.16b)$$

The right hand side of the constraints in (4.16) is zero, which is why it is easier to find the improving direction \mathbf{p} than to solve (4.15). This means that the improving direction is found by solving (4.16).

Step Length

If we take the full step \mathbf{p} , we cannot be sure, that $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$ is feasible. In this section we will therefore find the step length $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, which ensures feasibility.

If the optimal solution is $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}$, then $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0$. And because (4.4) is strictly convex, then $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < \phi(\mathbf{0}) = 0$, if $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$, so

$$\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0, \quad \mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.17)$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < 0, \quad \mathbf{p}^* \in \{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}. \quad (4.18)$$

The relation between $f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*)$ and $\phi(\alpha\mathbf{p}^*)$ is

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \alpha\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \alpha\mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G}\alpha\mathbf{p} + \alpha\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\alpha\mathbf{p}) \\
&\quad + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \alpha\mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{g}^T)\alpha\mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\alpha\mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \alpha\mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\alpha\mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\alpha\mathbf{p}). \tag{4.19}
\end{aligned}$$

For $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{x}_k - \alpha\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}) \\
&= f((1-\alpha)\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p})) \\
&\leq (1-\alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&< (1-\alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) \tag{4.20}
\end{aligned}$$

and because of the convexity of the objective function f , this is a fact for all $\alpha \in]0; 1]$.

We now know, that if an $\alpha \in]0; 1]$ exists, then $f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$. On this basis we want to find a point on the line segment $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k$, whereby the largest possible reduction of the objective function is achieved, and at the same time the constraints not in the current working set, i.e. $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$, remain satisfied. In other words, looking from point \mathbf{x}_k in the improving direction \mathbf{p}^* , we would like to find an α , so that the point $\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*$ remains feasible. In this way the greatest reduction of the objective function is obtained by choosing the largest possible α without leaving the feasible region.

As we want to retain feasibility, we only need to consider the potentially violated constraints. This means the constraints not in the current working set satisfy

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \geq b_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.21)$$

Since $\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega$, we have

$$\alpha \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* \geq b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \leq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k, \quad (4.22)$$

and whenever $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* \geq 0$, this relation is satisfied for all $\alpha \geq 0$. As $b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \leq 0$, the relation can still be satisfied for $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$, if we consider an upper bound $0 \leq \alpha \leq \bar{\alpha}_i$, where

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \geq 0, \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.23)$$

Whenever $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i$, and $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$, we have $\bar{\alpha}_i = 0$. So $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*$ will remain feasible, $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \Omega$, whenever $0 \leq \alpha \leq \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k} \bar{\alpha}_i$. In other words, the upper bound of α will be chosen in a way, that the nearest constraint not in the current working set will become active.

From the Lagrangian function of (4.16), we know by definition, that \mathbf{p}^* satisfies

$$G\mathbf{p}^* + (G\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}) - A\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.24a)$$

$$A^T \mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.24b)$$

and by transposing and multiplying with \mathbf{p}^* we get

$$\begin{aligned} (G\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p}^* &= (A\boldsymbol{\mu}^* - G\mathbf{p}^*)^T \mathbf{p}^* \\ &= \boldsymbol{\mu}^{*T} \underbrace{A^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} - \mathbf{p}^{*T} G\mathbf{p}^* \\ &= -\mathbf{p}^{*T} G\mathbf{p}^*. \end{aligned} \quad (4.25)$$

From (4.19) and (4.25) we define the line search function $h(\alpha)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(\alpha) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
 &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
 &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* + \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha^2 - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha + f(\mathbf{x}_k).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.26}$$

If $\mathbf{p}^* \neq 0$ is the solution of (4.16), we have $\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* > 0$, as \mathbf{G} is positive definite. So the line search function is a parabola with upward legs. The first order derivative is

$$\frac{dh}{d\alpha}(\alpha) = \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \tag{4.27a}$$

$$= (\alpha - 1) \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*, \tag{4.27b}$$

which tells us, that the line search function has its minimum at $\frac{dh}{d\alpha}(1) = 0$. Therefore the largest possible reduction in the line search function (4.26) is achieved by selecting $\alpha \in [0; 1]$ as large as possible. So the optimal solution of

$$\min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}} h(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha^2 - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha + f(\mathbf{x}_k) \tag{4.28a}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{a}_i^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \tag{4.28b}$$

is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha^* &= \min \left(1, \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \bar{\alpha}_i \right) \\
 &= \min \left(1, \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \right) \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.29}$$

The largest possible reduction in the objective function along the improving direction \mathbf{p}^* is obtained by the new point $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^*$.

4.1.3 Appending and Removing a Constraint

The largest possible reduction of the objective function in the affine space $\mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$ is obtained at point $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*$, i.e. by selecting $\alpha^* = 1$ and $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k$. This point satisfies $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$, and since $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k$, this point will also be the optimal solution in the affine space $\mathcal{M}_{k+1} = \mathcal{M}_k$, thus a new iterate will give $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}$. So, in order to minimize the objective function further, we must update the working set for each iteration. This is done either by appending or removing a constraint from the current working set \mathcal{W}_k .

Appending a Constraint

If the point $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^* \notin \Omega = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i, i \in \mathcal{I}\}$, then the point is not feasible with respect to one or more constraints not in the current working set \mathcal{W}_k . Therefore, by choosing the point $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^* \in \mathcal{M}_k \cap \Omega$, where $\alpha^* \in [0; 1[$, feasibility is sustained and the largest possible reduction of the objective function is achieved. In other words, we have a blocking constraint with index $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$, such that $\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^*) = b_j$. So, by appending constraint j to the current working set, we get a new working set $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\}$ corresponding to \mathbf{x}_{k+1} , which is then a feasible point by construction.

The set of blocking constraints is defined as

$$\mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \quad (4.30)$$

The blocking constraint to be appended, is the most violated constraint. In other words, it is the violated constraint, found closest to the current point \mathbf{x}_k . As mentioned, the working set is updated as $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\}$, which means, that we append the vector \mathbf{a}_j , where $j \in \mathcal{J}$, to the current working set. The constraints in the current working set, i.e. the vectors \mathbf{a}_i for which $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$, satisfies

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.31)$$

If vector \mathbf{a}_j , where $j \in \mathcal{J}$, is linearly dependent of the constraints in the current

working set, i.e. $\mathbf{a}_j \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{a}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$, then we have

$$\exists \gamma_i \in \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \gamma_i \mathbf{a}_i, \quad (4.32)$$

hence \mathbf{a}_j must satisfy

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \gamma_i \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*)}_{=0} = 0, \quad j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.33)$$

But since we choose $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$, such that $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$, we have $\mathbf{a}_j \notin \text{span}\{\mathbf{a}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$. So we are guaranteed, that the blocking constraint j is linearly independent of the constraints in the current working set, i.e. $(\mathbf{A} \ \mathbf{a}_j)$ maintains full column rank.

Removing a Constraint

We now have to decide whether \mathbf{x}_k is a global minimizer of the inequality constrained QP (4.3).

From the optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{Gx}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.34a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34b)$$

$$\mu_i^* \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34c)$$

$$\mu_i^* (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i) = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34d)$$

it is seen that \mathbf{x}_k is the global minimizer \mathbf{x}^* if and only if the pair \mathbf{x}_k, μ satisfies

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i}_{=0} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \underbrace{\mu_i}_{=0} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.35a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.35b)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.35c)$$

We must remark, that

$$\mu_i \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i)}_{=0} = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.36a)$$

$$\underbrace{\mu_i}_{=0} (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i) = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.36b)$$

from which we have

$$\mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i) = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.37)$$

So we see, that \mathbf{x}_k is the unique global minimizer of (4.3), if the computed Lagrange multipliers μ_i for $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ are non-negative. The remaining Lagrangian multipliers for $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ are then selected according to the optimality conditions (4.7), so

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{x}_k \quad (4.38)$$

$$\mu_i^* = \begin{cases} \mu_i, & i \in \mathcal{W}_k \\ 0, & i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \end{cases} \quad (4.39)$$

But if there exists an index $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$ such that $\mu_j < 0$, then the point \mathbf{x}_k cannot be the global minimizer of (4.3). So we have to relax, in other words leave, the constraint $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_j$ and move in a direction \mathbf{p} such that $\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) > b_j$. From sensitivity theory in Nocedal and Wright [14] we know, that a decrease in function value f is obtained by choosing any constraint for which the Lagrange

multiplier is negative. The largest rate of decrease is obtained by selecting $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$ corresponding to the most negative Lagrange multiplier.

So if an index $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$ exists, where $\mu_j < 0$, we will find an improving direction \mathbf{p}^* , which is a solution to

$$\min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \phi(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.40a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.40b)$$

As \mathbf{p}^* is the global minimizer of (4.40), there exists multipliers $\boldsymbol{\mu}^*$ so that

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.41)$$

and if we let \mathbf{x}_k and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ satisfy

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \hat{\mu}_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.42a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k, \quad (4.42b)$$

and we subtract (4.42a) from (4.41) we get

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \mathbf{a}_i (\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i) + \mathbf{a}_j \hat{\mu}_j = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.43)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{a}_i - \frac{\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j}. \quad (4.44)$$

Since \mathbf{a}_i is linearly independent for $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ and thereby also for $i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}$,

then \mathbf{a}_j cannot be a linear combination of \mathbf{a}_i , which means

$$\mathbf{a}_j \neq \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{a}_i \quad (4.45)$$

implying that $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$. Now we will shortly summarize, what have been stated in this section so far. If the optimal solution has not been found at iteration k some negative Lagrange multipliers exist. The constraint $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$, which correspond to the most negative Lagrange multiplier μ_j is removed from the working set. The new improving direction is computed by solving (4.40) and it is guaranteed to be non-zero $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$. This statement is important in the following derivations.

By taking a new step after removing constraint j , we must now guarantee, that the relaxed constraint is not violated again, in other words that the remaining constraints in the current working set are still satisfied and that we actually get a decrease in function value f .

Taking the dot-product of \mathbf{a}_j and \mathbf{p}^* , by means of multiplying (4.44) with \mathbf{p}^{*T} , we get

$$\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{a}_i - \frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} G \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} \quad (4.46)$$

which by transposing becomes

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} - \frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} G \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} = -\frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} G \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} . \quad (4.47)$$

Since $\mathbf{p}^{*T} G \mathbf{p}^* > 0$, $\mathbf{p}^* \neq 0$, and $\hat{\mu}_j < 0$, it follows that

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* > 0. \quad (4.48)$$

Bearing in mind that $\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$, we see that

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) = \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{x}_k}_{=b_j} + \alpha \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{>0} > b_j, \quad \forall \alpha \in]0, 1] \quad (4.49)$$

and

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) = \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}_{=b_i} + \alpha \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} = b_i, \quad \forall \alpha \in]0, 1], \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.50)$$

As expected, we see that the relaxed constraint j and the constraints in the new active set are still satisfied.

As (4.40) is strictly convex, we know, that $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < 0$ for the improving direction \mathbf{p}^* , and the feasible non-optimal solution $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ has the value $\phi(\mathbf{0}) = 0$. If we also keep in mind that

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \quad (4.51)$$

and when $\alpha = 1$, then we get

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < f(\mathbf{x}_k). \quad (4.52)$$

From this relation, the convexity of f and because $\alpha \in]0; 1]$, we know that

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{x}_k - \alpha \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \\ &= f((1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*)) \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*) \\ &< (1 - \alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}_k). \end{aligned} \quad (4.53)$$

So in fact we actually get a decrease in function value f , by taking the new step having relaxed constraint j .

In this section we have found that if $\mu_j < 0$, then the current point \mathbf{x}_k cannot be a global minimizer. So to proceed we have to remove constraint j from the current working set, $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}$, and update the current point by taking a zero step, $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k$.

A constraint removed from the working set cannot be appended to the working set in the iteration immediately after taking the zero step. This is because a blocking constraint is characterized by $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$, while from (4.48) we know, that $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* > 0$. Still, the possibility of cycling can be a problem for the primal active set method, for example in cases like

$$\dots \longrightarrow \{i, j, l\} \xrightarrow{-j} \{i, l\} \xrightarrow{-l} \{i\} \xrightarrow{+j} \{i, j\} \xrightarrow{+l} \{i, j, l\} \xrightarrow{-j} \{i, l\} \longrightarrow \dots \quad (4.54)$$

This and similar cases are not considered, so if any cycling occurs, it is stopped by setting a maximum number of iterations for the method.

The procedure of the primal active set method is stated in algorithm 4.1.1.

Algorithm 4.1.1: Primal Active Set Algorithm for Convex Inequality Constrained QP's.

Input: Feasible point \mathbf{x}_0 , $\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{A}_0 = \{i : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_0 = b_i\}$.

while NOT STOP do /* find improving direction \mathbf{p}^* */
 Find the improving direction \mathbf{p}^* by solving the equality constrained QP:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \phi(\mathbf{p}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} \\ \text{s.t. } \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} &= 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \end{aligned}$$

if $\|\mathbf{p}^*\| = 0$ **then** /* compute Lagrange multipliers μ_i */
 Compute the Lagrange multipliers $\mu_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$ by solving:

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}$$

$$\mu_i \leftarrow 0, i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}$$

if $\mu_i \geq 0 \forall i \in \mathcal{W}$ **then**

| STOP, the optimal solution \mathbf{x}^* has been found!

else

| /* remove constraint j */

$$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{W} : \mu_j < 0$$

else

| /* compute step length α */

$$\alpha = \min \left(1, \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}: \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \right)$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}: \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*}$$

if $\alpha < 1$ **then**

| /* append constraint j */

$$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*$$

$$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \cup \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{J}$$

else

$$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p}^*$$

$$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W}$$

4.2 Primal active set method by example

We will now demonstrate how the primal active set method finds the optimum in the following example:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad c_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 - 1 \geq 0 \\ c_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2 + 2 \geq 0 \\ c_3 &= -x_2 + 2.5 \geq 0 \\ c_4 &= -3x_1 + x_2 + 3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

At every iteration k the path $(\mathbf{x}^1 \dots \mathbf{x}^k)$ is plotted together with the constraints, where active constraints are indicated in red. The 4 constraints and their column index in \mathbf{A} are labeled on the constraint in the plot. The feasible area is in the top right corner where the plot is lightest. The start position is chosen to be $\mathbf{x} = [4.0, 4.0]^T$ which is feasible and the active set is empty $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$. For every iteration we have plotted the situation when we enter the while-loop at \mathbf{x} , see algorithm 4.1.1 .

Iteration 1

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.1. On entering the while-loop the working set is empty and therefore the improving direction is found to be $\mathbf{p} = [-4.0, -4.0]^T$. As figure 4.1 suggests, the first constraint to be violated taking this step is c_3 which is at step length $\alpha = 0.375$. The step $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{p}$ is taken and the constraint c_3 is appended to the working set.

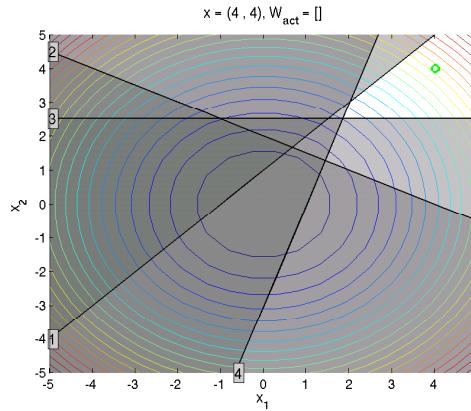


Figure 4.1: Iteration 1, $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$, $\mathbf{x} = [4.0, 4.0]^T$.

Iteration 2

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.2. Now the working set is $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ which means that the new improving direction \mathbf{p} is found by minimizing $f(\mathbf{x})$ subject to $c_3(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p}) = 0$. The improving direction is found to be $\mathbf{p} = [-2.5, 0.0]^T$ and $\mu = [2.5]$. The first constraint to be violated in this direction is c_4 which is at step length $\alpha = 0.267$. The step $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \alpha\mathbf{p}$ is taken and the constraint c_4 is appended to the working set.

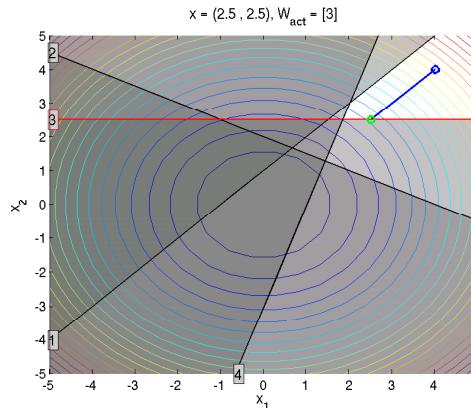


Figure 4.2: Iteration 2, $\mathcal{W} = [3]$, $\mathbf{x} = [2.5, 2.5]^T$.

Iteration 3

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.3. Here the working set is $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$ and the new improving direction is found to be $\mathbf{p} = [0, 0]^T$ and $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [3.1, 0.6]^T$. Because $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ and no negative Lagrange Multipliers exist, position \mathbf{x} is optimal. Therefore the method terminates with $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$.

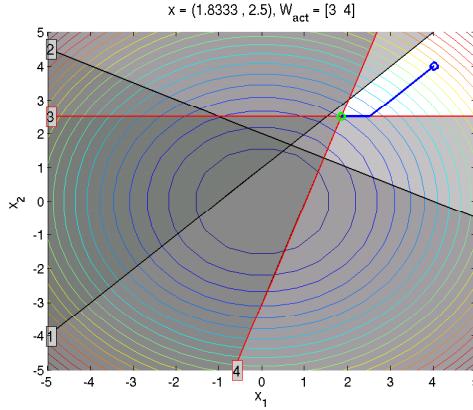


Figure 4.3: Iteration 3, $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$, $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$.

An interactive demo application `QP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

4.3 Dual active set method

In the foregoing, we have described the primal active set method which solves an inequality constrained convex QP, by keeping track of a working set \mathcal{W} . In this section we will examine the dual active set method, which requires the QP to be strictly convex. The dual active set method uses the dual set of \mathcal{W} , which we will call \mathcal{W}_D . The method benefits from always having an easily calculated feasible starting point and the method does not have the possibility of cycling. The theory is based on earlier works by Goldfarb and Idnani [10], Schmid and Biegler [11] and Schittkowski [12].

4.3.1 Survey

The inequality constrained strictly convex QP that we want to solve is as follows

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.55a)$$

$$\text{s.t. } c_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.55b)$$

The corresponding Lagrangian function is

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i). \quad (4.56)$$

The dual program of (4.55) is

$$\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^m} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) \quad (4.57a)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.57b)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.57c)$$

The necessary and sufficient conditions for optimality of the dual program is

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.58a)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i = 0 \quad i \in A(x^*) \quad (4.58b)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i > 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus A(x^*) \quad (4.58c)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in A(x^*) \quad (4.58d)$$

$$\mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus A(x^*). \quad (4.58e)$$

These conditions are exactly the same as the optimality conditions of the primal program (4.55), and this corresponds to the fact that the optimal value $L(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\mu}^*)$ of the dual program is equivalent to the optimal value $f(\mathbf{x}^*)$ of the primal program. This is why the solution of the primal program can be found by solving the dual program (4.57).

The method maintains dual feasibility at any iteration $\{\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k\}$ by satisfying (4.57b) and (4.57c). This is done by keeping track of a working set \mathcal{W} . The constraints in the working set satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^k = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.59a)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^k) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^k - b_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.59b)$$

$$\mu_i^k \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.59c)$$

The constraints in the complementary set $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}$, i.e. the active set of the dual program, satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^k = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.60a)$$

$$\mu_i^k = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}, \quad (4.60b)$$

and from (4.58), (4.59) and (4.60) it is clear that an optimum has been found $\mathbf{x}^k = \mathbf{x}^*$ if

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^k) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^k - b_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}. \quad (4.61)$$

If this is not the case some violated constraint $r \in \mathcal{W}_D$ exists, i.e. $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$. The following relationship explains why $\{\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k\}$ cannot be an optimum in this case

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mu_r}(\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k) = -c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) > 0. \quad (4.62)$$

This means that (4.57a) can be increased by increasing the Lagrangian multiplier μ_r . In fact, this explains the key idea of the dual active set method. The idea is to choose a constraint c_r from the dual active working set \mathcal{W}_D which is violated $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$ and make it satisfied $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) \geq 0$ by increasing the Lagrangian multiplier μ_r . This procedure continues iteratively until no constraints from \mathcal{W}_D are violated. At this point the optimum has been found and the method terminates.

4.3.2 Improving Direction and Step Length

If optimality has not been found at iteration k it indicates that a constraint c_r is violated, which means that $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$. In this section we will investigate how to find both an improving direction and a step length which satisfy the violated constraint c_r .

Improving Direction

The Lagrangian multiplier μ_r of the violated constraint c_r from \mathcal{W}_D should be changed from zero to some value that will optimize (4.57a) and satisfy (4.57b) and (4.57c). After this operation the new position is

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} \quad (4.63a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + u_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.63b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.63c)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_D \setminus r. \quad (4.63d)$$

From (4.57b) and (4.59b) we know that $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ and $\bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ should satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\bar{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \bar{\mu}_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.64a)$$

$$c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} - b_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.64b)$$

As $\mu_i \neq 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{W}$, $\bar{\mu}_r \neq 0$ and r yet not in \mathcal{W} , this can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{x}} \\ \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \bar{\mu}_r = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.65)$$

where $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ has full column rank, \mathbf{G} is symmetric and positive definite, $\bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = [\bar{\mu}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}^T$, \mathbf{a}_r is the constraint from $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$ we are looking at and μ_r is the corresponding Lagrangian multiplier. Using (4.63) this can be formulated as

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mu_r + \\ & \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} t = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.66)$$

From (4.64) we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mu_r = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.67)$$

and therefore (4.66) is simplified as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} t = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.68)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} t. \quad (4.69)$$

The new improving direction $(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v})^T$ is found by solving (4.69), using a solver for equality constrained QP's, e.g. the range space or the null space procedure.

Step Length

Having the improving direction we now would like to find the step length t (4.69). This step length should be chosen in a way, that makes (4.57c) satisfied. From (4.63), (4.66) and (4.69) we have the following statements about the new step

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p} \quad (4.70a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + u_i = \mu_i + tv_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.70b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.70c)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}} \setminus r. \quad (4.70d)$$

To make sure that $\bar{\mu}_r \geq 0$ (4.57c), we must require, that $t \geq 0$. When $v_i \geq 0$ we have $\bar{\mu}_r \geq 0$ and (4.57c) is satisfied for any value of $t \geq 0$. When $v_i < 0$ we must require t to be some positive value less than $\frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$, which makes $\bar{\mu}_i \geq 0$ as $\mu_i \geq 0$ and $v_i < 0$. This means that t should be chosen as

$$t \in [0, t_{\max}], \quad t_{\max} = \min(\infty, \min_{i: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}) \geq 0. \quad (4.71)$$

Now we know what values of t we can choose, in order to retain dual feasibility when taking the new step. To find out what exact value of t in the interval (4.71) we should choose to make the step optimal we need to examine what happens to the primal objective function (4.55a), the dual objective function (4.57a), and the constraint c_r as we take the step.

The relation between $c_r(\mathbf{x})$ and $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$

Now we shall examine how $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$ is related to $c_r(\mathbf{x})$. For this reason, we need to state the following properties. From (4.69) we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} \quad (4.72a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (4.72b)$$

Multiplying (4.72a) with \mathbf{p} gives

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v})^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} \quad (4.73)$$

and because \mathbf{G} is positive definite, we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \geq 0 \quad (4.74a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.74b)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} > 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{p} \neq \mathbf{0}. \quad (4.74c)$$

As $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}$ we get

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{a}_r^T(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) - b_r = \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{x} - b_r + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.75)$$

and because $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{x} - b_r$ this is equivalent to

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.76)$$

From (4.71) and (4.74a) we know that $t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \geq 0$ and therefore

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \geq c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.77)$$

This means that the constraint c_r is increasing (if $t > 0$) as we move from \mathbf{x} to $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ and this is exactly what we want as it is negative and violated at \mathbf{x} .

The relation between $f(\mathbf{x})$ and $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$

In addition to the foregoing we will now investigate what happens to the primal objective function (4.55a) as we move from \mathbf{x} to $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$. Inserting $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}$ in (4.55a) gives

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}), \quad (4.78)$$

which may be reformulated as

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + t(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p}, \quad (4.79)$$

and using (4.55a) this leads to

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + t(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.80)$$

From (4.67) we have the relation

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{a}_r \mu_r = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.81)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{a}_r \mu_r \quad (4.82)$$

and when multiplied with \mathbf{p} this gives

$$(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{a}_r \mu_r)^T \mathbf{p} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} + \mu_r \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.83)$$

Furthermore using the fact that $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$, this is equivalent to

$$(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} = \mu_r \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.84)$$

Inserting this in (4.80) gives

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + t \mu_r \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.85)$$

Using $\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}$ from (4.74a) we get

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} + t \mu_r \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = f(\mathbf{x}) + t(\mu_r + \frac{1}{2}t) \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.86)$$

As $t \geq 0$, $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \geq 0$ and $\mu_r \geq 0$ the primal objective function does not decrease when we move from \mathbf{x} to $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$.

The relation between $L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ and $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$

We will now investigate what happens to the Lagrangian function (4.57a) as we move from $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ to $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$. After taking a new step we have

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}), \quad (4.87)$$

and because $\mu_i = 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{W}_D$ and $c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{W}$ this is equivalent to

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \bar{\mu}_r c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}). \quad (4.88)$$

By replacing $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$ with (4.86), $\bar{\mu}_r$ with $\mu_r + t$ and $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$ with (4.76), we then have

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + t(\mu_r + \frac{1}{2}t) \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - (\mu_r + t)(c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}), \quad (4.89)$$

which we reformulate as

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mu_r t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}) - t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.90)$$

and finally this gives

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{1}{2} t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.91)$$

The Lagrangian $L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ before taking the new step is

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i c_i(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.92)$$

and as in the case above we have the precondition $\mu_i = 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{W}_D$ and

$c_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ for $i \in \mathcal{W}$ and therefore (4.92) is equivalent to

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}), \quad (4.93)$$

and inserting this in (4.91) gives us

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{1}{2} t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.94)$$

Now we want to know what values of t make $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) \geq L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$, i.e what values of t that satisfy

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) - L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = -\frac{1}{2} t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0. \quad (4.95)$$

This inequality is satisfied when

$$t \in [0, 2 \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}]. \quad (4.96)$$

When t is in this interval, the Lagrangian function increases as we move from $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ to $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$. To find the value of t that gives the greatest increment we must differentiate (4.94) with respect to t

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = -t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.97)$$

The greatest increment is at t^* where

$$-t^* \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad t^* = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}. \quad (4.98)$$

At this point we would like to stop up and present a short summary of what has been revealed throughout the latest sections. If optimality has not been

found at iteration k , some violated constraint $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) \leq 0$ must exist. The new improving direction is found by solving the equality constrained QP

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.99)$$

where $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ has full column rank, \mathbf{G} is symmetric and positive definite and \mathbf{a}_r is the violated constraint. The optimal step length t , which ensures feasibility is found from statements (4.71) and (4.98)

$$t = \min\left(\min_{i: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}, \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}\right). \quad (4.100)$$

Both the dual objective function (4.57) and the violated constraint increase as we take the step.

4.3.3 Linear Dependency

The KKT system (4.69) can only be solved if \mathbf{G} is positive definite, and \mathbf{A} has full column rank. If the constraints in $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly dependent, it is not possible to add constraint r to the working set \mathcal{W} , as $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W} \cup r}$ in this case would not have full column rank. This problem is solved by removing constraint j from \mathcal{W} , which makes the constraints in the new working set $\tilde{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$ and \mathbf{a}_r linearly independent. This particular case will be investigated in the following. The linear dependency of $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r can be written as

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i \mathbf{a}_i = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\gamma}. \quad (4.101)$$

When multiplied with \mathbf{p} we get

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p}, \quad (4.102)$$

and as $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ (4.72b) we then have

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.103)$$

Now we will investigate what to do when

$$c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0 \quad \wedge \quad \mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.104)$$

When \mathbf{a}_r and the constraints in the working set are linearly dependent and (4.69) is solved

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.105)$$

we know from (4.74b) and (4.103) that $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$. If \mathbf{v} contains any negative values, t can be calculated using (4.71)

$$t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0, \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}. \quad (4.106)$$

When we move from \mathbf{x} to $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ we then have

$$\bar{\mu}_j = \mu_j + tv_j = 0 \quad (4.107)$$

and this is why we need to remove constraint c_j from \mathcal{W} and we call the new set $\bar{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$. Now we will see that \mathbf{a}_r is linearly independent of the vectors \mathbf{a}_i for $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$. This proof is done by contradiction. Lets assume that \mathbf{a}_r is linearly dependent of the vectors \mathbf{a}_i for $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$, i.e. $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$.

As $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and hence $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ we can therefore write

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}(-\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}} \mathbf{a}_i(-v_i). \quad (4.108)$$

At the same time because $\mathcal{W} = \bar{\mathcal{W}} \cup \{j\}$, we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i(-v_i) + \mathbf{a}_j(-v_j) \quad (4.109)$$

and isolation of \mathbf{a}_j gives

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \frac{1}{-v_j} \mathbf{a}_r + \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i v_i. \quad (4.110)$$

Since we assumed $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span } \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$, using (4.101) \mathbf{a}_r can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i \gamma_i \quad (4.111)$$

and inserting this equation in (4.110) gives us

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i \gamma_i + \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i v_i, \quad (4.112)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \frac{\gamma_i + v_i}{-v_j} \mathbf{a}_i. \quad (4.113)$$

As we have

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \beta_i \mathbf{a}_i, \quad \beta_i = \frac{\gamma_i + v_i}{-v_j} \quad (4.114)$$

clearly \mathbf{a}_j is linearly dependent on the vectors \mathbf{a}_i for $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$ and this is a contradiction to the fact that $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ has full column rank, i.e. the vectors \mathbf{a}_i for $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}} \cup j$ are linearly independent. This means that the assumption

$\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$ cannot be true, and therefore we must conclude that $\mathbf{a}_r \notin \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$.

Furthermore from (4.94) we know that

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{1}{2} t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.115)$$

and because of linear dependency $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$, this is equivalent to

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.116)$$

and as $tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$ we know that $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) \geq L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ when $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$.

Now we shall see what happens when no negative elements exist in \mathbf{v} from (4.105). From (4.71) we know that t can be chosen as any non negative value, and therefore (4.116) becomes

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = \infty. \quad (4.117)$$

In this case the dual program is unbounded which means that the primal program (4.55) is infeasible. Proof of this is to be found in Jørgensen [13]. This means that no solution exists.

In short, what has been stated in this section, is that when (4.69) is solved and $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ we know that $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly dependent and $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$. If there are no negative elements in \mathbf{v} the problem is infeasible and no solution exist. If some negative Lagrangian multipliers exist we should find constraint c_j from \mathcal{W} where

$$j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}, \quad t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0 \quad (4.118)$$

and the following step is taken

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + tv_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.119a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t. \quad (4.119b)$$

As $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$, we know that $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}$ and therefore this step is not mentioned in (4.119). Again, when $\bar{\mu}_j = 0$ it means that constraint c_j belongs to the dual active set $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$ and is therefore removed from \mathcal{W} . The constraints in the new working set $\bar{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly independent, and as a result a new improving direction and step length may be calculated.

4.3.4 Starting Guess

One of the forces of the dual active set method is that a feasible starting point is easily calculated. Starting out with all constraints in the dual active set $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$ and therefore \mathcal{W} being empty

$$\mu_i = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{I}, \quad \mathcal{W} = \emptyset \quad (4.120)$$

and if we start in

$$\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g} \quad (4.121)$$

(4.57b) and (4.57c) are satisfied

$$\mathbf{Gx} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{Gx} + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.122a)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.122b)$$

The Lagrangian function is

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned} \quad (4.123)$$

which means that the starting point is at the minimum of the objective function of the primal program (4.55a) without taking notice of the constraints (4.55b).

Because the inverse Hessian matrix is used we must require the QP to be strictly convex.

4.3.5 In summary

Now we will summarize what has been discussed in this section and show how the dual active set method works. At iteration k we have $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, r, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{W}_D)$ where $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$. Using the null space or the range space procedure the new improving direction is calculated by solving

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.124)$$

If $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly dependent and no elements from \mathbf{v} are negative the problem is infeasible and the method is terminated. Using (4.103) and (4.117) this is the case when

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad \wedge \quad v_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.125)$$

If on the other hand $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly independent and some elements from \mathbf{v} are negative, c_j is removed from \mathcal{W} , step length t is calculated according to (4.106) and a new step is taken

$$t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0, \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \quad (4.126a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + tv_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.126b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.126c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.126d)$$

If $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly independent and some elements from \mathbf{v} are negative, we calculate two step lengths t_1 and t_2 according to (4.71) and (4.98)

$$t_1 = \min(\infty, \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}), \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \quad (4.127a)$$

$$t_2 = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}, \quad (4.127b)$$

where t_1 can be regarded as the step length in dual space because it assures that (4.57c) is satisfied whenever $0 \leq t \leq t_1$. Constraint (4.55b) is satisfied for

c_r when $t \geq t_2$ and therefore t_2 can be regarded as the step length in primal space. Therefore we will call t_1 t_D and t_2 t_P .

If $t_D < t_P$ then t_D is used as the step length and (4.57c) remain satisfied when we take the step. After taking the step, c_j is removed from \mathcal{W} because $\bar{\mu}_j = 0$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t_D \mathbf{p} \quad (4.128a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + t_D v_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.128b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t_D \quad (4.128c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.128d)$$

If $t_P \leq t_D$ then t_P is used as the step length and (4.55b) get satisfied for c_r . After taking the step we have that $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$ and therefore r is appended to \mathcal{W}

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t_P \mathbf{p} \quad (4.129a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + t_P v_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.129b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t_P \quad (4.129c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \cup \{r\}. \quad (4.129d)$$

If $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ and \mathbf{a}_r are linearly independent and no elements from \mathbf{v} are negative we have found the optimum and the program is terminated.

The procedure of the dual active set method is stated in algorithm 4.3.1.

Algorithm 4.3.1: Dual Active Set Algorithm for Strictly Convex Inequality Constrained QP's. **Note:** $\mathcal{W}_D = \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}$.

Compute $\mathbf{x}_0 = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$, set $\mu_i = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_D$ and $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$.

while NOT STOP do

if $c_i(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \forall i \in \mathcal{W}_D$ **then**

| STOP, the optimal solution \mathbf{x}^* has been found!

Select $r \in \mathcal{W}_D : c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$.

while $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ **do**

/* find improving direction \mathbf{p} */

Find the improving direction \mathbf{p} by solving the equality constrained QP:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$$

if $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ **then**

if $v_i \geq 0 \forall i \in \mathcal{W}$ **then**

| STOP, the problem is infeasible!

else /* compute step length t , remove constraint j */

$$t = \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}, \mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$$

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + tv_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{J}$

else /* compute step length t_D and t_P */

$$t_D = \min \left(\infty, \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i} \right), \mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$$

$$t_P = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$$

if $t_P \leq t_D$ **then**

/* append constraint r */

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + t_P \mathbf{p}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + t_P v_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t_P$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \cup \{r\}$

else

/* remove constraint j */

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + t_D \mathbf{p}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + t_D v_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t_D$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{J}$

4.3.6 Termination

The dual active set method does not have the ability to cycle as it terminates in a finite number of steps. This is one of the main forces of the method, and therefore we will now investigate this property.

As the algorithm (4.3.1) suggests, the method mainly consists of two while-loops which we call outer-loop and inner-loop. In the outer-loop we test if optimality has been found. If this is not the case we choose some violated constraint r , $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ and move to the inner-loop.

At every iteration of the inner-loop we calculate a new improving direction and a corresponding step length: $t = \min(t_D, t_P)$, where t_D is the step length in dual space and t_P is the step length in primal space. The step length in primal space is always positive, $t_P > 0$ as $t_P = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$, where $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ and $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} > 0$. From (4.95) and (4.96) we know that $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) > L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ whenever $0 < t < \frac{-2c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$. This means that the dual objective function L increases when a step in primal space is taken. A step in primal space also means that we leave the inner-loop as constraint c_r is satisfied $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$.

A step in dual space is taken whenever $t_D < t_P$ and in this case we have $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t_D \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} < c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t_P \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$. This means that we will never leave the inner-loop after a step in dual space as $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) < 0$. A constraint c_j is removed from the working set \mathcal{W} when we take a step in dual space, which means that $|\mathcal{W}|$ is the maximum number of steps in dual space that can be taken in succession. After a sequence of $0 \leq s \leq |\mathcal{W}|$ steps in dual space, a step in primal space will cause us to leave the inner-loop. This step in primal space guarantees that L is strictly larger when we leave the inner-loop than when we entered it.

As the constraints in the working set \mathcal{W} are linearly independent at any time, the corresponding solution $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ is unique. Also as $L(\mathbf{x}^{q+1}, \boldsymbol{\mu}^{q+1}) > L(\mathbf{x}^q, \boldsymbol{\mu}^q)$ (where q defines the q^{th} iteration of the outer loop) we know that the combination of constraints in \mathcal{W} is unique for any iteration q . And because the number of different ways the working set can be chosen from \mathcal{I} is finite and bounded by $2^{|\mathcal{I}|}$, we know that the method will terminate in a finite number of iterations.

4.4 Dual active set method by example

In the following example we will demonstrate how the dual active set method finds the optimum

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad c_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 - 1 \geq 0 \\ c_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2 + 2 \geq 0 \\ c_3 &= -x_2 + 2.5 \geq 0 \\ c_4 &= -3x_1 + x_2 + 3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

At every iteration k we plot the path $(\mathbf{x}^1 \dots \mathbf{x}^k)$ together with the constraints, where active constraints are indicated with red. The 4 constraints and their column-index in \mathbf{A} are labeled on the constraint in the plots. The primal feasible area is in the top right corner where the plot is lightest. We use the least negative value of $c(\mathbf{x}^k)$ every time c_r is chosen, even though any negative constraint could be used. For every iteration we have plotted the situation when we enter the while loop.

Iteration 1

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.4. The starting point is at $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g} = (0, 0)^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$. On entering the while loop we have $c(\mathbf{x}) = [1.0, -2.0, -2.5, -3.0]^T$ and therefore $r = 2$ is chosen because the second element is least negative. The working set is empty and therefore the new improving direction is found to $\mathbf{p} = [0.5, 1.0]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = []$. As the step length in primal space is $t_P = 1.6$ and the step length in dual space is $t_D = \infty$, t_P is used, and therefore r is appended to the working set. The step is taken as seen in figure 4.5.

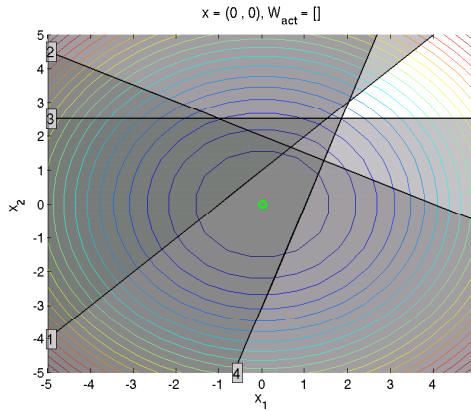


Figure 4.4: Iteration 1, $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$, $\mathbf{x} = [0, 0]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 0, 0]^T$.

Iteration 2

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.5. On entering the while loop we have $\mathcal{W} = [2]$, and because $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ we should choose a new r . As $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0.2, 0, -0.9, -2.2]^T$, $r = 3$ is chosen. The new improving direction is found to be $\mathbf{p} = [-0.4, 0.2]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = [-0.8]$. As $t_D = 2.0$ and $t_P = 4.5$ a step in dual space is taken and c_2 is removed from \mathcal{W} .

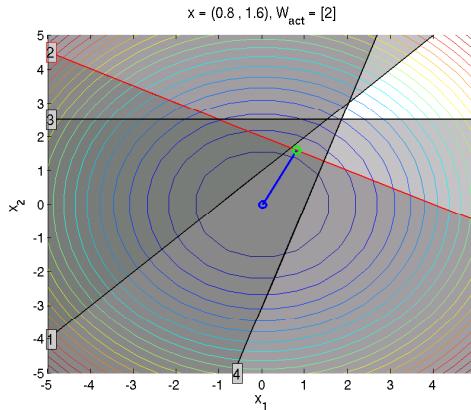


Figure 4.5: Iteration 2, $\mathcal{W} = [2]$, $\mathbf{x} = [0.8, 1.6]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 1.6, 0, 0]^T$.

Iteration 3

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.6. Because $c_r(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0$ we keep $r = 3$. The working set is empty $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$. The improving direction is found to be $\mathbf{p} = [0.0, 1.0]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = []$. A step in primal space is taken as $t_D = \infty$ and

$t_P = 0.5$ and r is appended to \mathcal{W} .

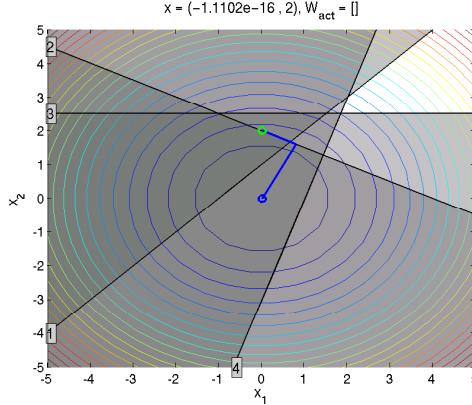


Figure 4.6: Iteration 3, $\mathcal{W} = []$, $\mathbf{x} = [0, 2]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 2, 0]^T$.

Iteration 4

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.7. Now $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ and therefore a new r should be chosen. As $c(\mathbf{x}) = [-1.5, 0.5, 0, -5.5]^T$, we choose $r = 1$. The working set is $\mathcal{W} = [3]$, and the new improving direction is $\mathbf{p} = [1.0, 0.0]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = [1]$. We use t_P as $t_D = \infty$ and $t_P = 1.5$ and r is appended to \mathcal{W} after taking the step.

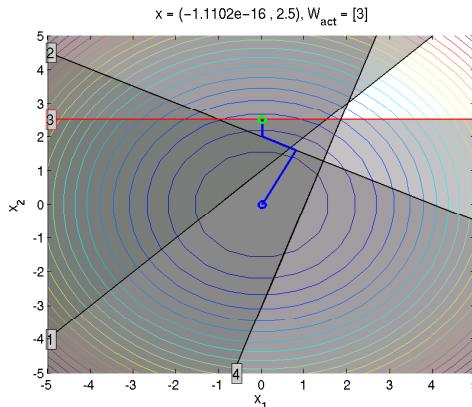


Figure 4.7: Iteration 4, $\mathcal{W} = [3]$, $\mathbf{x} = [0, 2.5]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 2.5, 0]^T$.

Iteration 5

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.8. As $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ we must choose a new r and as $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0, 1.25, 0, -1.0]^T$, $r = 4$ is chosen. At this point $\mathcal{W} = [3, 1]$.

The new improving direction is $\mathbf{p} = [0.0, 0.0]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = [-2, -3]$ and therefore $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$. This means that \mathbf{a}_r is linearly dependent of the constraints in \mathcal{W} and therefore 1 is removed from \mathcal{W} .

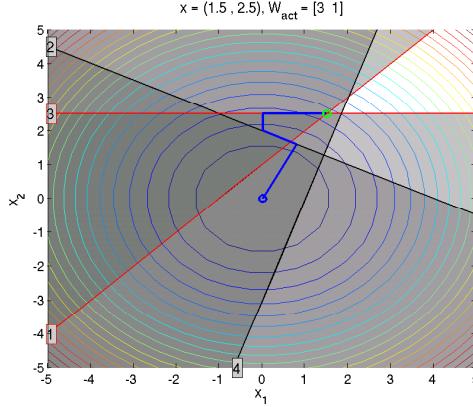


Figure 4.8: Iteration 5, $\mathcal{W} = [3, 1]$, $\mathbf{x} = [1.5, 2.5]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [1.5, 0, 4, 0]^T$.

Iteration 6

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.9. On entering the while loop we have c_3 in the working set $\mathcal{W} = [3]$. And r remains 4 because $c_r(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0$. The new improving direction is $\mathbf{p} = [3.0, 0.0]^T$ and $\mathbf{u} = [1]$. The step lengths are $t_D = \infty$ and $t_P = 0.11$ and therefore a step in primal space is taken and r is appended to \mathcal{W} .

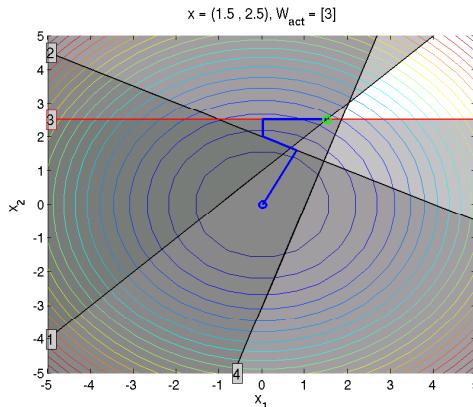


Figure 4.9: Iteration 6, $\mathcal{W} = [3]$, $\mathbf{x} = [1.5, 2.5]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 3, 0.5]^T$.

Iteration 7

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.10. Now the working set is $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$ and as $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$, a new r must be chosen. But $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0.33, 1.42, 0, 0]^T$ (no negative elements) and therefore the global optimal solution has been found and the algorithm is terminated. The optimal solution is $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.83, 2.50]^T$ and $\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = [0, 0, 3.11, 0.61]^T$.

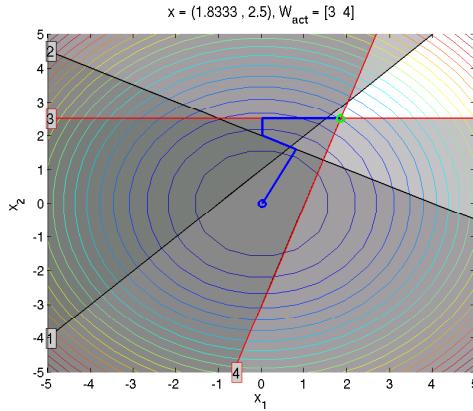


Figure 4.10: Iteration 7, $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$, $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = [0, 0, 3.11, 0.61]^T$.

An interactive demo application `QP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

CHAPTER 5

Test and Refinements

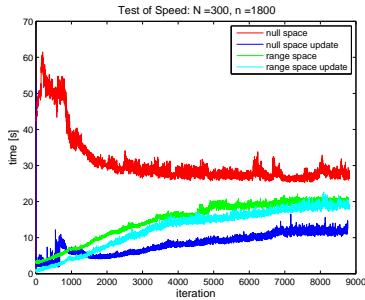
When solving an inequality constrained convex QP, we use either the primal active set method or the dual active set method. In both methods we solve a sequence of KKT systems, where each KKT system correspond to an equality constrained QP. To solve the KKT system we use one of four methods: The range space procedure, the null space procedure, or one of the two with factorization update instead of complete factorizations. We will test these four methods for computational speed to find out how they perform compared to each other.

Usually the constraints in an inequality constrained QP are divided into bounded variables and general constraints. This division can be used to further optimization of the factorization updates, as we will discuss later in this chapter. As a test case we will use the quadruple tank problem which is described in appendix A.

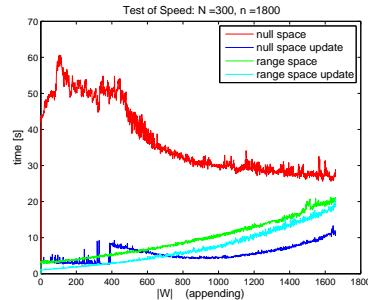
5.1 Computational Cost of the Range and the Null Space Procedures with Update

The active set methods solve a sequence of KKT systems by use of the range space procedure, the null space procedure or one of the two with factorization

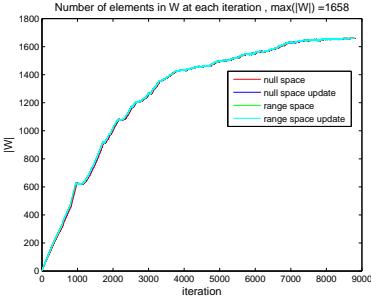
update. Now we will compare the performance of these methods by solving the quadruple tank problem. By discretizing with $N = 300$ we define an inequality constrained strictly convex QP with $n = 1800$ variables and $|\mathcal{I}| = 7200$ constraints. We have chosen to use the dual active set method because it does not need a precalculated starting point. Different parts of the process are illustrated in figure 5.1. Figure 5.1(a) shows the computational time for solving the KKT system for each iteration and figure 5.1(c) shows the number of active constraints $|W|$ for each iteration. The size of the active set grows rapidly in the first third of the iterations after which this upward movement fades out a little. This explains why the computational time for the null space procedure decreases fast to begin with and then fades out, as it is proportional to the size of the null space ($n - m$). Likewise, the computational time for the range space procedure grows proportional to the dimension of the range space (m). The null space procedure with factorization update is much faster than the null space procedure with complete factorization even though some disturbance is observed in the beginning. This disturbance is probably due to the fact that the testruns are carried out on shared servers. The range space procedure improves slightly whenever factorization update is used. When solving this particular problem, it is clear from figures 5.1(a) and 5.1(c), that range space procedure with factorization update should be used until approximately 800 constraints are active, corresponding to $\frac{800}{1800}n = \simeq 0.45n$, after which the null space procedure with factorization update should be used. In theory the total number of iterations should be exactly the same for all four methods, however they differ a little due to numerical instability as seen in figure 5.1(c), where the curves are not completely aligned. The number of active constraints at the optimal solution is $|W| = 1658$.



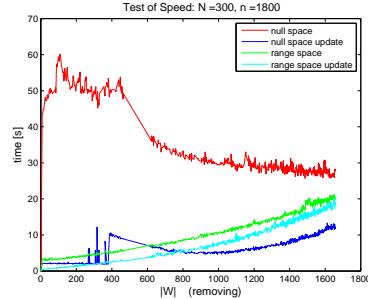
(a) Computational time for solving the KKT system plotted for each iteration.



(b) Computational time for solving the KKT system each time a constraint is appended to the active set W .



(c) Number of active constraints plotted at each iteration.



(d) Computational time for solving the KKT system each time a constraint is removed from the active set W .

Figure 5.1: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem with $N=300$, (1800 variables and 7200 constraints). Around 8800 iterations are needed (depending on the method) and the number of active constraints at the solution is $|W| = 1658$.

5.2 Fixed and Free Variables

So far, we have only considered constraints defined like $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i$. Since some of the constraints are likely to be bounds on variables $x_i \geq b_i$, we divide all constraints into bounds and general constraints. The structure of our QP solver is then defined as follows

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (5.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad l_i \leq x_i \leq u_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I}_b = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (5.1b)$$

$$(b_l)_i \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq (b_u)_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I}_{gc} = 1, 2, \dots, m_{gc} \quad (5.1c)$$

where \mathcal{I}_b is the set of bounds and \mathcal{I}_{gc} is the set of general constraints. This means that we have upper and lower limits on every bound and on every general constraint, so that the total number of constraints is $|\mathcal{I}| = 2n + 2m_{gc}$. We call the active constraint matrix $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and it contains both active bounds and active general constraints. Whenever a bound is active we say that the corresponding variable x_i is fixed. By use of a permutation matrix $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ we organize \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{C} in the following manner

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{C}} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{C} \quad (5.2)$$

where $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n}}$, $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n}}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times m}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{C}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times m}$, \tilde{n} is the number of free variables and \hat{n} is the number of fixed variables ($\hat{n} = n - \tilde{n}$). Now we reorganize the active constraint matrix \mathbf{PC}

$$\mathbf{PC} = \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{B} \ \mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \\ \mathbf{I} & \hat{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.3)$$

where $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times \hat{n}}$ contains the bounds and $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (m - \hat{n})}$ contains the general constraints. So we have $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$ and $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times \hat{n}}$ as the identity matrix.

The QT factorization (which is used in the null space procedure) of (5.3) is

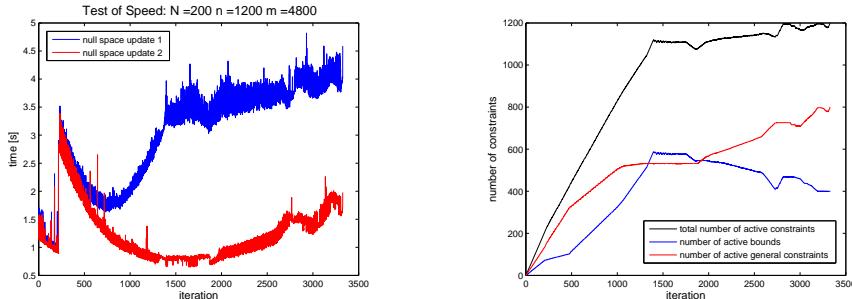
defined as

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{T}} \\ \mathbf{I} & \hat{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.4)$$

where $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times \tilde{n}}$, $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times \hat{n}}$, $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$, Gill *et al.* [9]. This is a modified QT factorization, as only $\tilde{\mathbf{T}}$ in \mathbf{T} is lower triangular.

The part of the QT factorization which corresponds to the free variables consists of $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{T}}$. From (5.4) it is clear that this is the only part that needs to be updated whenever a constraint is appended to or removed from the active set. The details of how these updates are carried out can be found in Gill *et al.* [9] but the basic idea is similar to the one described in chapter 3. The QT structure is obtained using givens rotations on specific parts of the modified QT factorization after appending or removing a constraint.

We have implemented these updates. To find out how performance may be improved we have plotted the computational speed when solving the quadruple tank problem with $N = 200$, defining 1200 variables and 4800 constraints. We tested both the null space procedure with the factorization update as described in chapter 3 and the null space procedure with factorization update based on fixed and free variables. From figure 5.2 it is clear that the recent update has made a great improvement in computational time. But of course the improvement is dependent on the number of active bounds in the specific problem.



(a) Computational time for solving the KKT system plotted for each iteration. Null space update 2 is the new update based on fixed and free variables.

(b) The number of active bounds and active general constraints and the sum of the two plotted at each iteration.

Figure 5.2: Computational time and the corresponding number of active bounds and active general constraints plotted for each iteration when solving the quadruple tank problem with $N=200$, (1200 variables and 4800 constraints). The problem is solved using both the null space update and the null space update based on fixed and free variables.

5.3 Corresponding Constraints

In our implementation we only consider inequality constraints, and they are organized as shown in (5.1), where bounds and general constraints are connected in pairs. So all constraints, by means all bounds and all general constraints together, indexed i , are organized in \mathcal{I} as follows

$$i \in \mathcal{I} = \underbrace{\{1, 2, \dots, n\}}_{x \geq l} \quad (5.5)$$

$$\underbrace{n+1, n+2, \dots, 2n}_{-x \geq -u} \quad (5.6)$$

$$\underbrace{2n+1, 2n+2, \dots, 2n+m_{gc}}_{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_l} \quad (5.7)$$

$$\underbrace{2n+m_{gc}+1, 2n+m_{gc}+2, \dots, 2n+2m_{gc}}_{-\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq -b_u} \quad (5.8)$$

and the corresponding pairs, indexed p , are then organized in \mathcal{P} in the following manner

$$p \in \mathcal{P} = \underbrace{\{n+1, n+2, \dots, 2n\}}_{-x \geq -u}, \quad (5.9)$$

$$\underbrace{\{1, 2, \dots, n\}}_{x \geq l}, \quad (5.10)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n + m_{gc} + 1, 2n + m_{gc} + 2, \dots, 2n + 2m_{gc}\}}_{-\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq -b_u}, \quad (5.11)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n + 1, 2n + 2, \dots, 2n + m_{gc}\}}_{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_l}. \quad (5.12)$$

$$(5.13)$$

Unbounded variables and unbounded general constraints, where the upper and/or lower limits are $\pm\infty$ respectively, are never violated. So they are not considered, when \mathcal{I} and \mathcal{P} are initialized. E.g. if $l_2 = -\infty$, then $i = 2$ will not exist in \mathcal{I} , and $p_2 = n + 2$ will not exist in \mathcal{P} .

In practice, the primal and the dual active set methods are implemented using two sets, the active set given as the working set \mathcal{W}_k and the inactive set $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$. When a constraint $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ becomes active, it is appended to the active set

$$\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\} \quad (5.14)$$

and because two corresponding inequality constraints cannot be active at the same time, it is removed together with its corresponding pair $p_j \in \mathcal{P}$ from the inactive set as follows

$$\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{j, p_j\}. \quad (5.15)$$

When it becomes inactive it is removed from the active set

$$\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\} \quad (5.16)$$

and appended to the inactive set together with its corresponding pair

$$\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \cup \{j, p_j\}. \quad (5.17)$$

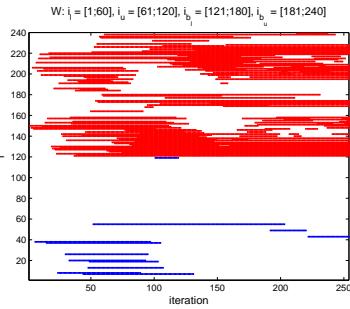
So by using corresponding pairs, we have two constraints less to examine feasibility for, every time a constraint is found to be active.

Besides the gain of computational speed, the stability of the dual active set method is also increased. Equality constraints are given as two inequalities with the same value as upper and lower limits. So because of numerical instabilities, the method tends to append corresponding constraints to the active set, when it is close to the solution. If this is the case, the constraint matrix \mathbf{A} becomes linearly depended, and the dual active set method terminates because of infeasibility. But by removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set, this problem will never occur. The primal active set method will always find the solution before the possibility of two corresponding constraints becomes active simultaneously, so for this method we gain computational speed only.

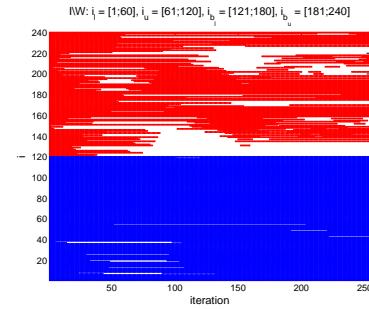
The quadruple tank problem is now solved, see figure 5.3, without removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set - so only the active constraints are removed.

In figure 5.3(a) and 5.3(b) we see the indices of the constraints of the active set \mathcal{W}_k and the inactive set $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ respectively. Not surprisingly it is seen, that the constraints currently in the active set are missing in the inactive set. Also in figure 5.3(c) and 5.3(d) we see, that the relation between the number of constraints in the active set and the number of constraints in the inactive set as expected satisfy

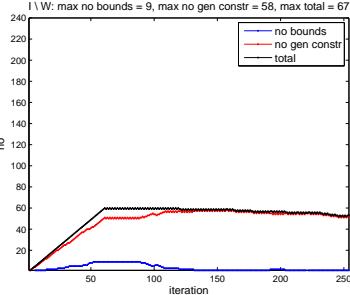
$$|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k| = |\mathcal{I}|. \quad (5.18)$$



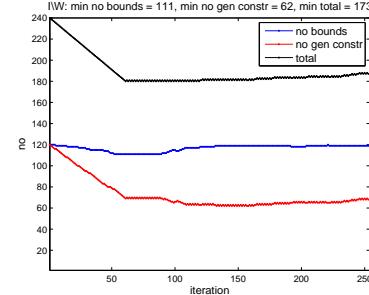
(a) Indices of active bounds (blue) and active general constraints (red) per iteration.



(b) Indices of inactive bounds (blue) and inactive general constraints (red) per iteration.



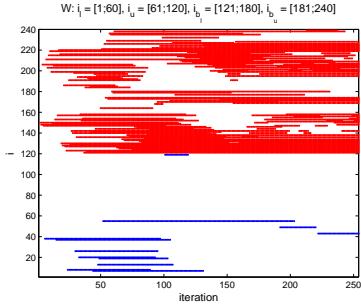
(c) Number of active bounds and general constraints per iteration.



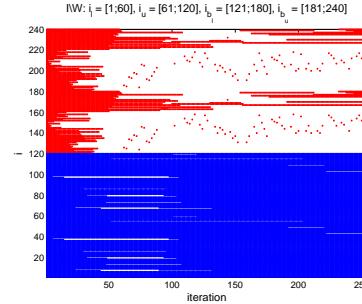
(d) Number of inactive bounds and general constraints per iteration.

Figure 5.3: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem using the primal active set method with $N = 10$, so $n = 60$ and $|\mathcal{I}| = 240$, without removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$.

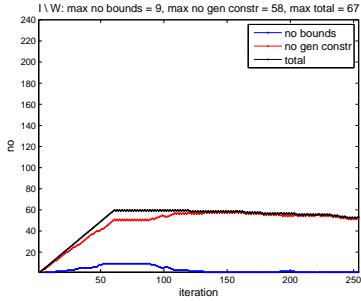
The quadruple tank problem is now solved again, see figure 5.4, but this time we remove the corresponding pairs from the inactive set as well.



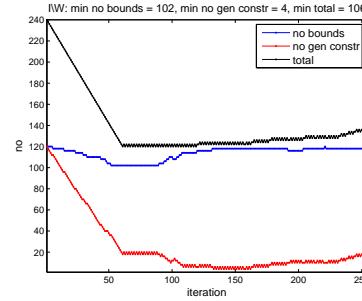
(a) Indices of active bounds (blue) and active general constraints (red) per iteration.



(b) Indices of inactive bounds (blue) and inactive general constraints (red) per iteration.



(c) Number of active bounds and general constraints per iteration.



(d) Number of inactive bounds and general constraints per iteration.

Figure 5.4: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem using the primal active set method with $N = 10$, so $n = 60$ and $|\mathcal{I}| = 240$, showing the effect of removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$.

In figure 5.4(a) the indices of the constraints in the active set \mathcal{W}_k are the same as before the removal of the corresponding pairs. And in figure 5.4(b) we now see, that all active constraints and their corresponding pairs are removed from the inactive set $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$, and the set is seen to be much more sparse. The new relation between the number of constraints in the active set and the number of constraints in the inactive set is seen in figure 5.4(c) and 5.4(d). And the indices of the constraints in the inactive set, when we also remove the corresponding pairs, are found to be $\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}, i \in \mathcal{W}_k$. So now we have the new relation

described as follows

$$2|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{I}|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (5.19)$$

The size of $\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}$, $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ is found by combining (5.18) and (5.19) as follows

$$2|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{W}_k| + |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (5.20)$$

which leads to

$$|\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k| - |\mathcal{W}_k|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (5.21)$$

So we see, that the inactive set overall is reduced twice the size of the active set by also removing all corresponding constraints p_i , $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$, from the inactive set. This is also seen by comparing figure 5.4(c) and 5.3(c).

5.4 Distinguishing Between Bounds and General Constraints

In both the primal and the dual active set methods some computations involving the constraints are made, e.g. checking the feasibility of the constraints. All constraints in \mathcal{I} are divided into bounds and general constraints, and via the indices $i \in \mathcal{I}$ it is easy to distinguish, if a constraint is a bound or a general constraint. This can be exploited to gain some computational speed, since computations regarding a bound only involve the fixed variable, and therefore it is very cheap to carry out.

CHAPTER 6

Nonlinear Programming

In this chapter we will investigate how nonlinear convex programs with nonlinear constraints can be solved by solving a sequence of QP's. The nonlinear program is solved using Newton's method and the calculation of a Newton step can be formulated as a QP and found using a QP solver. As Newton's method solves a nonlinear program by a sequence of Newton steps, this method is called sequential quadratic programming (SQP).

6.1 Sequential Quadratic Programming

Each step of Newton's method is found by solving a QP. The theory is based on the work of Nocedal and Wright [14] and Jørgensen [15]. To begin with, we will focus on solving the equality constrained nonlinear program

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \quad (6.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad h(\boldsymbol{x}) = \mathbf{0} \quad (6.1b)$$

where $\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $h(\boldsymbol{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$. This is done using the corresponding Lagrangian

function

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}^T h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.2)$$

The optimum is found by solving the corresponding KKT system

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} \quad (6.3a)$$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{y}} L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = -h(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (6.3b)$$

The KKT system is written as a system of nonlinear equations as follows

$$\begin{aligned} F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ F_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ \nabla_{\mathbf{y}} L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.4)$$

Newton's method is used to solve this system. Newton's method approximates the root of a given function $g(\mathbf{x})$ by taking successive steps in the direction of $\nabla g(\mathbf{x})$. A Newton step is calculated like this

$$g(\mathbf{x}^k) + J(\mathbf{x}^k) \Delta \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}, \quad J(\mathbf{x}^k) = \nabla g(\mathbf{x}^k)^T. \quad (6.5)$$

As we want to solve (6.4) using Newton's method, we need the gradient of $F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \nabla \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ F_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} \\ \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \mathbf{y}_2} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \mathbf{y}_2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (6.6)$$

where $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is the Hessian of $L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$

$$\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \nabla^2 h_i(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.7)$$

Because $\nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is symmetric we know that $J(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^T = \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$, and therefore Newton's method (6.5) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \Delta \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.8)$$

This system is the KKT system of the following QP

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T (\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) \Delta \mathbf{x} + (\nabla_x L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}))^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.9a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} = -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.9b)$$

This is clearly a QP and the optimum $(\Delta \mathbf{x}^T, \Delta \mathbf{y}^T)$ from (6.8) is found by using a QP-solver, e.g. the one implemented in this thesis, see appendix B.

The system (6.8) can be expressed in a simpler form, by replacing $\Delta \mathbf{y}$ with $\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{y}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} \quad (6.10)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.11)$$

This means that (6.8) can be reformulated as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (6.12)$$

and the corresponding QP is

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Delta \mathbf{x} + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.13a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} = -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.13b)$$

As Newton's method approximates numerically, a sequence of Newton iterations is thus necessary to find an acceptable solution. At every iteration the improving direction is found as the solution of the QP (6.13), and therefore the process is called sequential quadratic programming. Whenever $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is positive definite and $\nabla h(\mathbf{x})$ has full column rank, the solution to (6.13) can be found using either the range space procedure or the null space procedure. Also, if the program (6.1) is extended to include inequalities

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad f(\mathbf{x}) \quad (6.14a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad h(\mathbf{x}) \geq \mathbf{0} \quad (6.14b)$$

then the program, that defines the Newton step is an inequality constrained QP of the form

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Delta \mathbf{x} + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.15a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \geq -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.15b)$$

When $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is positive definite and $\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T$ has full column rank the solution to this program can be found using either the primal active set method or the dual active set method.

6.2 SQP by example

In this section our SQP implementation will be tested and each Newton step will be illustrated graphically. The nonlinear program that we want to solve is

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\boldsymbol{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(\boldsymbol{x}) = x_1^4 + x_2^4 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_2 \geq x_1^2 - x_1 + 1 \\ & x_2 \geq x_1^2 - 4x_1 + 6 \\ & x_2 \leq -x_1^2 + 3x_1 + 2. \end{aligned}$$

The procedure is to minimize the corresponding Lagrangian function

$$L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) = f(\boldsymbol{x}) - \boldsymbol{y}^T h(\boldsymbol{x}) \quad (6.17)$$

where \boldsymbol{y} are the Lagrangian multipliers and $h(\boldsymbol{x})$ are the function values of the constraints. This is done by using Newton's method to find the solution of

$$\begin{aligned} F(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \\ F_2(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_x L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \\ \nabla_y L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\boldsymbol{x}) - \nabla h(\boldsymbol{x})\boldsymbol{y} \\ -h(\boldsymbol{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.18)$$

A Newton step is defined by the following QP

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}) & -\nabla h(\boldsymbol{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\boldsymbol{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \boldsymbol{x} \\ \Delta \boldsymbol{y} \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\boldsymbol{x}) - \nabla h(\boldsymbol{x})\boldsymbol{y} \\ -h(\boldsymbol{x}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.19)$$

In this example we have calculated the analytical Hessian matrix $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ of (6.17) to make the relation (6.19) exact, even though a BFGS update by Powell [16] has been implemented. This is done for illustrational purpose alone, as we want to plot each Newton step in $F_{11}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ and $F_{12}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ from (6.18) in relation

to the improving direction. The analytical Hessian matrix can be very expensive to evaluate, and therefore the BFGS approximation is usually preferred. When the improving direction $[\Delta\mathbf{x}, \Delta\mathbf{y}]^T$ has been found by solving (6.19), the step size α is calculated in a line search function implemented according to the one suggested by Powell [16].

Iteration 1

We start at position $(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = ([-4, -4]^T, [0, 0, 0]^T)$ with the corresponding Lagrangian function value $L(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = 512$. The first Newton step leads us to $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = ([-0.6253, -2.4966]^T, [0, 32.6621, 0]^T)$ with $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$, and the path is illustrated in figure 6.1(a). In figures 6.1(b) and 6.1(c) F_{1_1} and F_{1_2} are plotted in relation to the step size α , where the red line illustrates the step taken. We have plotted F_{1_1} and F_{1_2} for $\alpha \in [-1, 3]$ even though the line search function returns $\alpha \in [0, 1]$. In figures 6.1(b) and 6.1(c), $\alpha = 0$ is the position before the step is taken and $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ where the red line ends illustrates the position after taking the step. It is clear from the figures, that a full step ($\alpha = 1$) is taken and that F_{1_1} and F_{1_2} increase from -256 to -172.4725 , and -256 to -94.9038 , respectively.

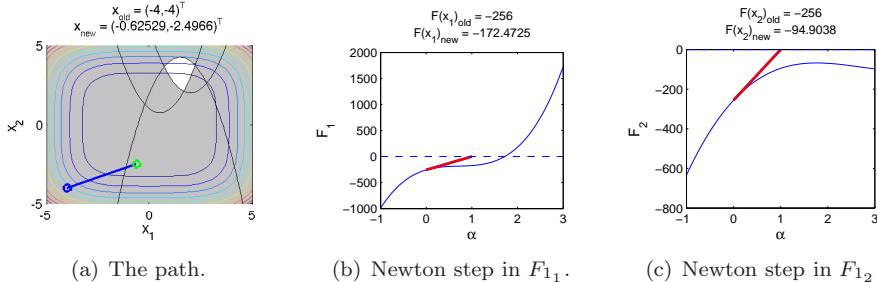


Figure 6.1: The Newton step at iteration 1. $L(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = 512$ and $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$.

Iteration 2

Having taken the second step the position is $(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = ([1.3197, -1.3201]^T, [0, 25.7498, 0]^T)$ as seen in figure 6.2(a). The Lagrangian function value is $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$. The step size is $\alpha = 1$, F_{1_1} increases from -172.4725 to -25.8427 and F_{1_2} increases from -94.9038 to -34.9515 as seen in figures 6.2(b) and 6.2(c).

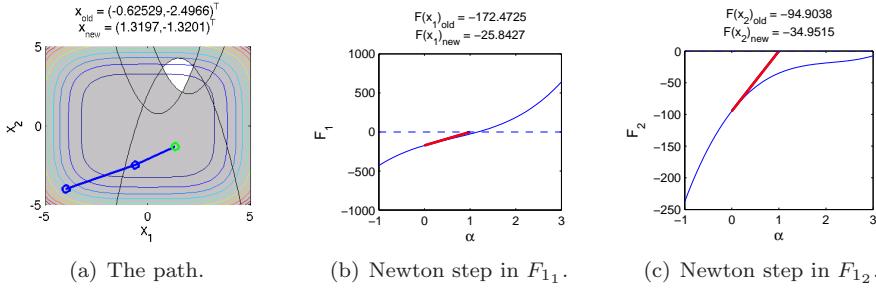


Figure 6.2: The Newton step at iteration 2. $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$ and $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$.

Iteration 3

After the third step, the position is $(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = ([1.6667, 1.9907]^T, [15.7893, 44.2432, 0]^T)$, see figure 6.3(a). The Lagrangian function value is $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$. Again the step size is $\alpha = 1$, F_{11} increases from -25.8427 to 25.8647 and F_{12} increases from -34.9515 to -28.4761 as seen in figure 6.3(b) and 6.3(c).

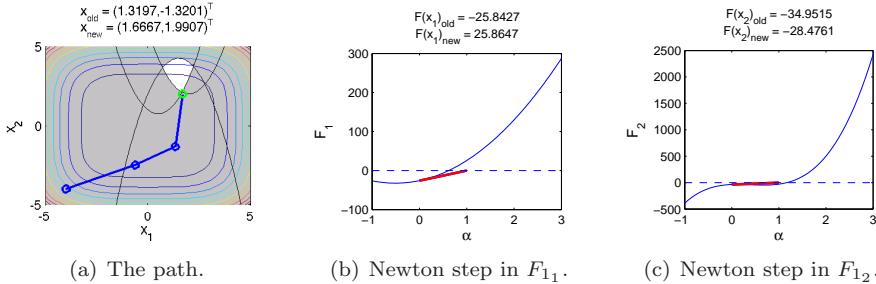


Figure 6.3: The Newton step at iteration 3. $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$ and $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$.

Iteration 4

The fourth step takes us to $(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = ([1.6667, 2.1111]^T, [2.1120, 35.1698, 0]^T)$, see figure 6.4(a). The Lagrangian function value is $L(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = 27.5790$. The step size is $\alpha = 1$, F_{11} decreases from 25.8647 to $-3.55271e-15$ and F_{12} increases from -28.4761 to 0.3533 as seen in figures 6.4(b) and 6.4(c). Even though refinements can be made by taking more steps we stop the algorithm at the optimal position $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}^*) = (\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = ([1.6667, 2.1111]^T, [2.1120, 35.1698, 0]^T)$ where the optimal value is $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 27.5790$.

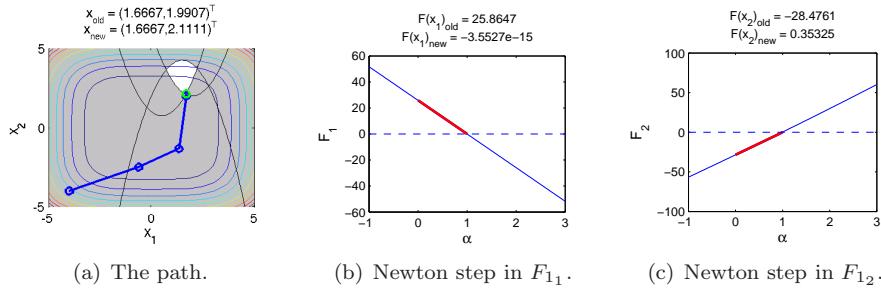


Figure 6.4: The Newton step at iteration 4. $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$ and $L(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = 27.5790$.

An interactive demo application `SQP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

CHAPTER 7

Conclusion

In this thesis we have investigated the active set methods, together with the range and null space procedures which are used in solving QP's. We have also focused on refining the methods and procedures in order to gain efficiency and reliability. Now we will summarize the most important observations found in the thesis.

The primal active set method is the most intuitive method. However, it has two major disadvantages. Firstly, it requires a feasible starting point, which is not trivial to find. Secondly and most crucially, is the possibility of cycling. The dual active set method does not suffer from these drawbacks. The method easily computes the starting point itself, and furthermore convergence is guaranteed. On the other hand, the primal active set method has the advantage of only requiring the Hessian matrix to be positive semi definite.

The range space and the null space procedures are equally good. But, where the range space procedure is fast, the null space procedure is slow and vice versa. Thus, in practice the choice of method is problem specific. For problems consisting of a small number of active constraints in relation to the number of variables, the range space procedure is preferable. And for problems with a large number active constraints compared to the number of variables, the null space procedure is to be preferred. If the nature of the problem potentially allows a large number of constraints in comparison to the number of variables, then, to

gain advantage of both procedures, it is necessary to shift dynamically between them. This can easily be done by comparing the number of active constraints against the number of variables e.g. for each iteration. However, this requires a theoretically predefined relation pointing at when to shift between the range space and the null space procedures. This relation can as mentioned be found in theory, but in practice it also relies on the way standard MATLAB functions are implemented, the architecture of the processing unit, memory access etc., and therefore finding this relation in practice is more complicated than first assumed.

By using Givens rotations, the factorizations used to solve the KKT system can be updated instead of completely recomputed. And as the active set methods solve a sequence of KKT systems, the total computational savings are significant. The null space procedure in particular has become more efficient. These updates have been further refined by distinguishing bounds, i.e. fixed variables, from general constraints. The greater fraction of active bounds compared to active general constraints, the smaller the KKT system gets and vice versa. Therefore, this particular update is of the utmost importance, when the QP contains potentially many active bounds.

The SQP method is useful in solving nonlinear constrained programs. It is founded in Newton steps. The SQP solver is based on a sequence of Newton steps, where each single step is solved as a QP. So a fast and reliable QP solver is essential in the SQP method. The QP solver which has been developed in the thesis, see appendix B, has proved successful in fulfilling this task.

7.1 Future Work

Dynamic Shift Implementation of dynamic shift between the range space and null space procedures would be interesting, because computational speed could be gained this way.

Low Level Language Our QP solver has been implemented in MATLAB, and standard MATLAB functions such as `chol` and `qr` have been used. In future works, implementation in Fortran or C++ would be preferable. This would make the performance tests of the different methods more reliable. Implementation in any low level programming language may be expected to improve general performance significantly. Furthermore, any theoretically computed performances may also be expected to hold in practice.

Precomputed Active Set The dual active set method requires the Hessian matrix \mathbf{G} of the objective function to be positive definite, as it computes

the starting point \mathbf{x}_0 by use of the inverse Hessian matrix: $\mathbf{x}_0 = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$. The primal active set method using the null space procedure only requires the reduced Hessian matrix $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}$ to be positive definite. In many problems it is possible to find an active set which makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite even if the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite. In future works the LP solver which finds the starting point to the primal active set method should be designed so that it also finds the active set which makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite. This extension would give the primal active set method an advantage compared to the dual active set method.

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APPENDIX A

Quadruple Tank Process

The quadruple tank process Jørgensen [17] is a system of four tanks, which are connected through pipes as illustrated in figure A.1. Water from a main-tank is transported around the system and the flow is controlled by the pumps F_1 and F_2 . The optimization problem is to stabilize the water level in tank 1 and 2 at some level, called set points illustrated as a red line. Values γ_1 and γ_2 of the two valves control how much water is pumped directly into tank 1 and 2 respectively. The valves are constant, and essential for the ease with which the process is controlled.

The dynamics of the quadruple tank process are described in the following differential equations

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_1}{A_1} F_1 + \frac{a_3}{A_1} \sqrt{2gh_3} - \frac{a_1}{A_1} \sqrt{2gh_1} \quad (\text{A.1a})$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_2}{A_2} F_2 + \frac{a_4}{A_2} \sqrt{2gh_4} - \frac{a_2}{A_2} \sqrt{2gh_2} \quad (\text{A.1b})$$

$$\frac{dh_3}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_2}{A_3} F_2 - \frac{a_3}{A_3} \sqrt{2gh_3} \quad (\text{A.1c})$$

$$\frac{dh_4}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_1}{A_4} F_1 - \frac{a_4}{A_4} \sqrt{2gh_4} \quad (\text{A.1d})$$

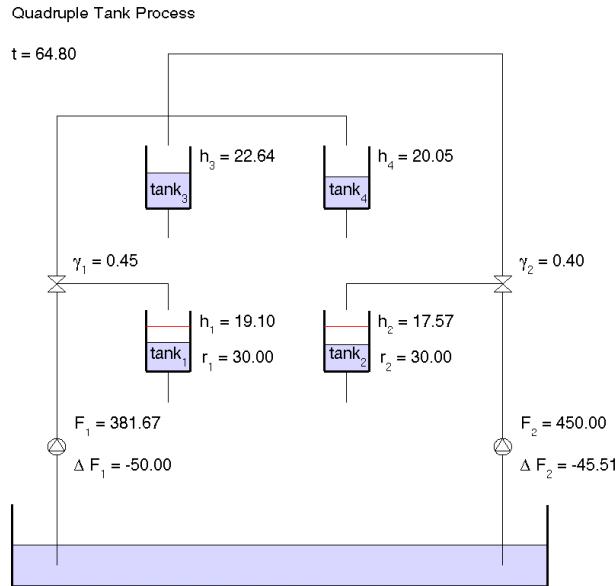


Figure A.1: Quadruple Tank Process.

where A_i is the cross sectional area, a_i is the area of outlet pipe, h_i is the water level of tank no. i , γ_1 and γ_2 are flow distribution constants of the two valves, g is acceleration of gravity and F_1 and F_2 are the two rate of flows. As the QP solver requires the constraints to be linear we need to linearize the equations in (A.1). Of course this linearization causes the model to be a much more coarse approximation, but as the purpose is to build a convex QP for testing, this is of no importance. The linearizations are

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_1}{A_1} F_1 + \frac{a_3}{A_1} 2gh_3 - \frac{a_1}{A_1} 2gh_1 \quad (\text{A.2a})$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_2}{A_2} F_2 + \frac{a_4}{A_2} 2gh_4 - \frac{a_2}{A_2} 2gh_2 \quad (\text{A.2b})$$

$$\frac{dh_3}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_2}{A_3} F_2 - \frac{a_3}{A_3} 2gh_3 \quad (\text{A.2c})$$

$$\frac{dh_4}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_1}{A_4} F_1 - \frac{a_4}{A_4} 2gh_4. \quad (\text{A.2d})$$

This system of equations is defined as the function

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)), \quad \mathbf{x} = [h_1 \ h_2 \ h_3 \ h_4]^T, \quad \mathbf{u} = [F_1 \ F_2]^T \quad (\text{A.3})$$

which is discretized using Euler

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) \simeq \frac{\mathbf{x}(t_{k+1}) - \mathbf{x}(t_k)}{t_{k+1} - t_k} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k}{\Delta t} = f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) \quad (\text{A.4a})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta t f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) \quad (\text{A.4b})$$

$$F(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k, \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta t f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) - \mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (\text{A.4c})$$

The function $F(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k, \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{0}$ defines four equality constraints, one for each height in \mathbf{x} . As the time period is discretized into N time steps, this gives $4N$ equality constraints. Because each equality constraint is defined as two inequality constraints of identical value, as lower and upper bound, (A.4) defines $8N$ inequality constraints, called general constraints.

To make the simulation realistic we define bounds on each variable

$$\mathbf{u}_{min} \leq \mathbf{u}_k \leq \mathbf{u}_{max} \quad (\text{A.5a})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{min} \leq \mathbf{x}_k \leq \mathbf{x}_{max} \quad (\text{A.5b})$$

which gives $2N(|\mathbf{u}| + |\mathbf{x}|) = 12N$ inequality constraints, called bounds. We have also defined restrictions on how much the rate of flows can change between two time steps

$$\Delta \mathbf{u}_{min} \leq \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}_{k-1} \leq \Delta \mathbf{u}_{max} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

in addition this gives $2N|\mathbf{u}| = 4N$ inequality constraints, also general constraints.

The objective function which we want to minimize is

$$\min \quad \frac{1}{2} \int ((h_1(t) - r_1)^2 + (h_2(t) - r_2)^2) dt \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where r_1 and r_2 are the set points. The exact details of how the system is set up as a QP can be found in either Jørgensen [17] or our MATLAB implementation `quad_tank_demo.m`. The quadruple tank process defines an inequality constrained convex QP of $(|\mathbf{u}| + |\mathbf{x}|)N = 6N$ variables and $(8 + 12 + 4)N = 24N$ inequality constraints consisting of $12N$ bounds and $12N$ general constraints.

Quadruple Tank Process by example

Now we will set up a test example of the quadruple tank problem. For this we use the following settings

$$\begin{aligned} t &= [0, 360] \\ N &= 100 \\ \mathbf{u}_{min} &= [0, 0]^T \\ \mathbf{u}_{max} &= [500, 500]^T \\ \Delta \mathbf{u}_{min} &= [-50, -50]^T \\ \Delta \mathbf{u}_{max} &= [50, 50]^T \\ \mathbf{u}_0 &= [0, 0]^T \\ \gamma_1 &= 0.45 \\ \gamma_2 &= 0.40 \\ r_1 &= 30 \\ r_2 &= 30 \\ \mathbf{x}_{min} &= [0, 0, 0, 0]^T \\ \mathbf{x}_{max} &= [40, 40, 40, 40]^T \\ \mathbf{x}_0 &= [0, 0, 0, 0]^T. \end{aligned}$$

This defines an inequality constrained convex QP with $6 * 100 = 600$ variables and $24 * 100 = 2400$ constraints. The solution to the problem is found by using our QP solver, see appendix B. The solution is illustrated in figure A.2, where everything is seen to be as expected. We have also written a program `quad_tank_plot.m` for visualizing the solution of the quadruple tank problem as an animation. In figure A.3 to A.8 we have illustrated the solution \mathbf{x}_k^* and \mathbf{u}_k^* for $k \in \{1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 60, 80, 100\}$ using `quad_tank_plot.m`.

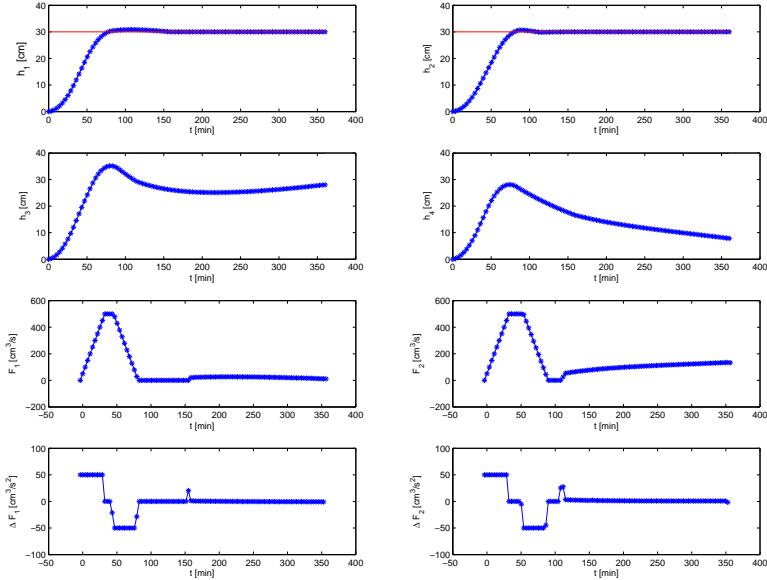
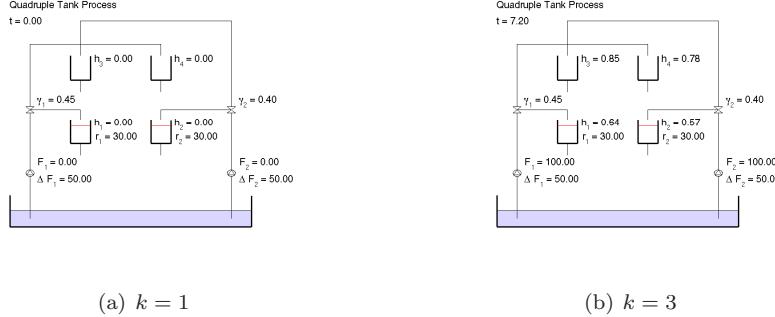
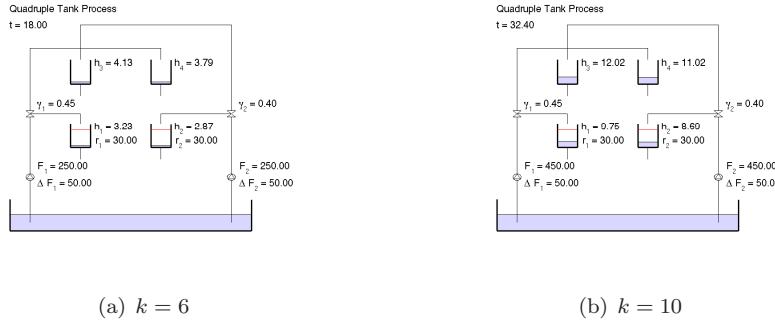
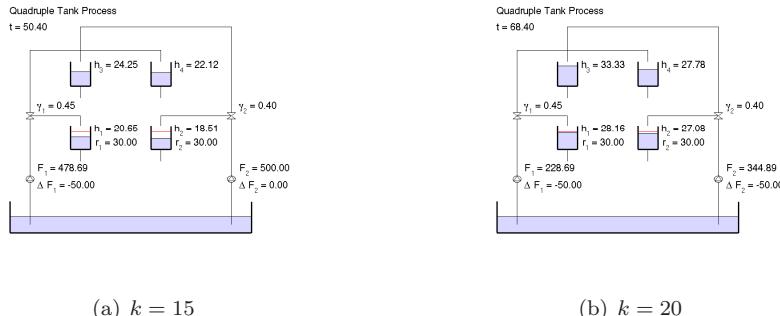
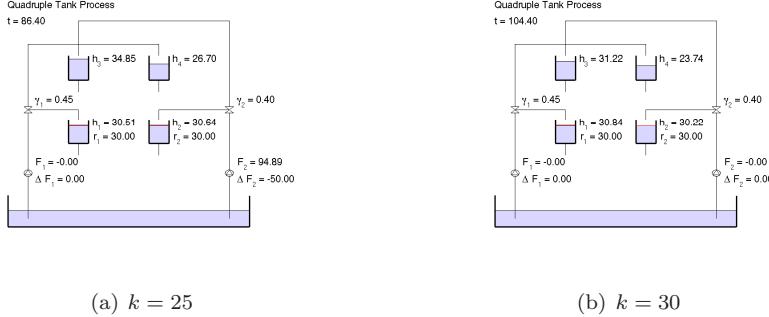
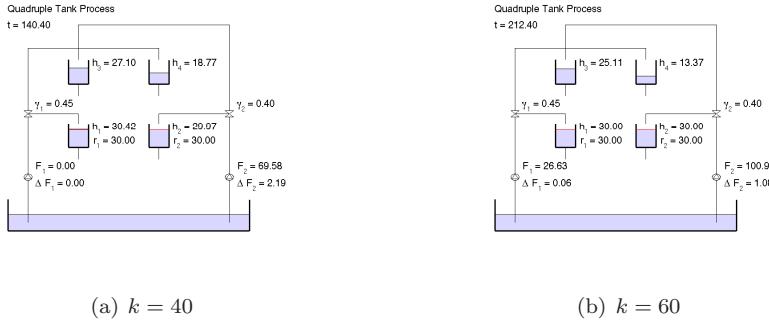
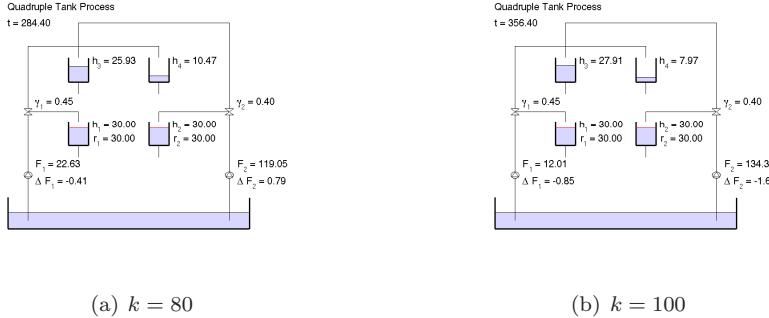


Figure A.2: The solution of the quadruple tank problem found by using our QP solver. It is seen that the water levels in tank 1 and 2 are stabilized around the setpoints. The water levels in tank 3 and 4, the two flows F_1 and F_2 and the difference in flow between time steps ΔF_1 and ΔF_2 are also plotted.

An interactive demo application `quad_tank_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

(a) $k = 1$ (b) $k = 3$ Figure A.3: discretization $k = 1$ and $k = 3$.(a) $k = 6$ (b) $k = 10$ Figure A.4: discretization $k = 6$ and $k = 10$.(a) $k = 15$ (b) $k = 20$ Figure A.5: discretization $k = 15$ and $k = 20$.

Figure A.6: discretization $k = 25$ and $k = 30$.Figure A.7: discretization $k = 40$ and $k = 60$.Figure A.8: discretization $k = 60$ and $k = 100$.

APPENDIX B

QP Solver Interface

Our QP solver is implemented in MATLAB as `QP_solver.m`, and it is founded on the following structure

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (\text{B.1a})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad l_i \leq x_i \leq u_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (\text{B.1b})$$

$$(b_l)_i \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq (b_u)_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m \quad (\text{B.1c})$$

where f is the objective function. The number of bounds is $2n$ and the number of general constraints is $2m$. This means, that we have upper and lower limits on every bound and on every general constraint. The MATLAB interface of the QP solver is constructed as follows

```
x = QP_solver(G, g, l, u, A, bl, bu, x).
```

The input parameters of the QP solver are described in table B.1.

- G** The Hessian matrix $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ of the objective function.
- g** The linear term $\mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of the objective function.
- l** The lower limits $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of bounds.
- u** The upper limits $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ of bounds.
- A** The constraint matrix $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i^T]_{i=1,2,\dots,m}$, so $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$.
- b_l** The lower limits $\mathbf{b}_l \in \mathbb{R}^m$ of general constraints.
- b_u** The upper limits $\mathbf{b}_u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ of general constraints.
- x** A feasible starting point $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ used in the primal active set method. If \mathbf{x} is not given or empty, then the dual active set method is called within the QP solver.

Table B.1: The input parameters of the QP and the LP solver.

It is possible to define equalities, by means the lower and upper limits are equal, as $l_i = u_i$ and $(b_l)_i = (b_u)_i$ respectively. If any of the limits are unbounded, they must be defined as $-\infty$ for lower limits and ∞ for upper limits. If the QP solver is called with a starting point \mathbf{x} , then the primal active set method is called within the QP solver. The feasibility of the starting point is checked by the QP solver before the primal active set method is called.

It is possible to find a feasible starting point with our LP solver, which we implemented in MATLAB as `LP_solver.m`. The LP solver is based on (B.1) and the MATLAB function `linprog`. The MATLAB interface of the LP solver is constructed as follows

```
x = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu).
```

The input parameters of the LP solver are described in table B.1.

It must be mentioned, that both the QP and LP solver has some additional input and output parameters. These parameters are e.g. used for tuning and performance analysis of the solvers. For a further description of these parameters we refer to the respective MATLAB help files.

APPENDIX C

Implementation

The algorithms discussed in the thesis have been implemented in MATLAB version 7.3.0.298 (R2006b), August 03, 2006. In the following, we have listed the implemented functions in sections.

C.1 Equality Constrained QP's

The null space procedure solves an equality constrained QP by using the null space of the constraint matrix, and is implemented in

`null_space.m`.

The range space procedure solves the same problem by using the range space of the constraint matrix, and is implemented in

`range_space.m`.

C.2 Inequality Constrained QP's

An inequality constrained convex QP can be solved by use of the primal active set method which is implemented in

`primal_active_set_method.m`

or the dual active set method

`dual_active_set_method.m`.

The active set methods have been integrated in a QP solver that sets up the QP with a set of bounds and a set of general constraints. An interface has been provided that offers different options to the user.

`QP_solver.m`.

If the user want to use the primal active set method in the QP solver, a feasible starting point must be calculated. This can be done by using the LP solver

`LP_solver.m`.

C.3 Nonlinear Programming

SQP solves a nonlinear program by solving a sequence of inequality constrained QP's. The SQP solver is implemented in

`SQP_solver.m`.

C.4 Updating the Matrix Factorizations

By updating the matrix factorizations, the efficiency of the null space procedure and the range space procedure can be increased significantly. The following

implementations are used for updating the matrix factorizations used in the null space procedure and the range space procedure. All the updates are based on Givens rotations which are computed in

`givens_rotation_matrix.m` .

Update of matrix factorizations used in range space procedure are implemented in the following files

`range_space_update.m`

`qr_fact_update_app_col.m`

`qr_fact_update_rem_col.m` .

And for the null space procedure the matrix updates are implemented in

`null_space_update.m`

`null_space_update_fact_app_col.m`

`null_space_update_fact_rem_col.m` .

Further optimization of the matrix factorization is done by using updates based on fixed and free variables. These updates have only been implemented for the null space procedure and are found in

`null_space_updateFRFX.m`

`null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX.m`

`null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX.m`

`null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX.m`

`null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX.m`

C.5 Demos

For demonstrating the methods and procedures, we have implemented different demonstration functions. The QP solver is demonstrated in

`QP_demo.m`

which uses the `plot` function

`active_set_plot.m`.

Among other options the user can choose between the primal active set method and the dual active set method.

The QP solver is also demonstrated on the quadruple tank process in

`quad_tank_demo.m`

which uses the `plot` functions

`quad_tank_animate.m`

`quad_tank_plot.m`.

Besides having the possibility of adjusting the valves, pumps and the set points individually, the user can vary the size of the QP by the input N .

The SQP solver is demonstrated on a small two dimensional nonlinear program and the path is visualized at each iteration. The implementation is found in

`SQP_demo.m`.

C.6 Auxiliary Functions

`add2mat.m`.

`line_search_algorithm.m`.

APPENDIX D

Matlab-code

D.1 Equality Constrained QP's

null_space.m

```
1 function [x,u] = null_space(G,A,g,b)
2 % NULL_SPACE solves the equality constrained convex QP;
3 % min 1/2x'Gx+g'x      (G is required to be positive semi
4 % definite)
5 % s.t. A'x = b          (A is required to have full column
6 % rank)
7 % where the number of variables is n and the number of constraints is m.
8 % The null space of the OP is used to find the solution.
9 %
10 % Call
11 %      [x,u] = null_space(G,A,g,b)
12 %
13 % Input parameters
14 %      G           : is the Hessian matrix (nxn) of the QP.
15 %      A           : is the constraint matrix (nxm): every column contains
16 %                      a from the
17 %                      equality: a'x = b.
18 %      g           : is the gradient (nx1) of the QP.
19 %      b           : is the right hand side of the constraints.
20 %
21 % Output parameters
22 %      x           : the solution
23 %      mu          : the lagrangian multipliers
24 %
25 % By       : Carsten V\olcker , s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
26 % Subject  : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
27 %             Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
28 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
29 %               Thomsen, Professor.
30 % Date     : 08. february 2007.
31
32 [n,m] = size(A);
33 if( m=0 ) % for situations where A is empty
```

```

31 [Q,R] = qr(A);
32 Q1 = Q(:,1:m);
33 Q2 = Q(:,m+1:n);
34 R = R(1:m,:);
35 py = R'\b;
36 Q2t = Q2';
37 gz = Q2t*(G*(Q1*py) + g);
38 Gz = Q2t*G*Q2;
39 L = chol(Gz)';
40 pz = L\gz;
41 pz = L'\pz;
42 x = Q1*py + Q2*pz;
43 u = R\Q1*(G*x + g));
44 else
45 x = -G\g;
46 u = [];
47 end

```

range_space.m

```

1 function [x mu] = range_space(L,A,g,b)
2 % RANGE_SPACE solves the equality constrained convex QP:
3 % min 1/2x'Gx+g'x   (G is required to be positive
4 % definite)           s.t. A'x = b      (A is required to have full column
5 % rank)
6 % where the number of variables is n and the number of constraints is m.
7 % The range space of the OP is used to find the solution.
8 %
9 % Call
10 % [x,u] = range_space(L,A,g,b)
11 % Input parameters
12 % L          : is the cholesky factorization of the Hessian matrix (nxn)
13 % of the QP.
14 % A          : is the constraint matrix (nxm): every column contains
15 % a from the
16 %             equality: a'x = b.
17 % g          : is the gradient (nx1) of the QP.
18 % b          : is the right hand side of the constraints.
19 % Output parameters
20 % x          : the solution
21 % mu         : the lagrangian multipliers
22 %
23 % By        : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
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27 % Thomsen, Professor.
28 % Date       : 08. february 2007.
29 % Reference  :
30 %
31 Lt = L';
32 K = Lt\A;
33 H = K'*K;
34 w = Lt\g;
35 z = b+K'*w;
36 M = chol(H);
37 mu = M'\z;
38 mu = M\mu;
39 y = K*mu-w;
40 x = L'\y;

```

D.2 Inequality Constrained QP's

`primal_active_set_method.m`

```

1  function [x,mu,info,perf] = primal_active_set_method(G,g,A,b,x,wnon,pbc,opts,
2           trace)
3
4  % PRIMAL_ACTIVE_SET_METHOD Solving an inequality constrained QP of the
5  % form:
6  %   min f(x) = 0.5*x'*G*x + g*x
7  %   s.t. A*x >= b,
8  % by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's using the primal
9  % active set method. The method uses the range space procedure or the null
10 % space procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the
11 % null space procedures has been provided with factorization updates.
12 %
13 % Call
14 %   x = primal_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, wnon, pbc)
15 %   x = primal_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, wnon, pbc, opts)
16 %   [x, mu, info, perf] = primal_active_set_method( ... )
17 %
18 % Input parameters
19 %   G : The Hessian matrix of the objective function, size nxn.
20 %   g : The linear term of the objective function, size nx1.
21 %   A : The constraint matrix holding the constraints, size nxm.
22 %   b : The right-hand side of the constraints, size mx1.
23 %   x : Starting point, size nx1.
24 %   wnon : List of inactive constraints, pointing on constraints in A.
25 %   pbc : List of corresponding constraints, pointing on constraints in
26 %         A. Can be empty.
27 %   opts : Vector with 3 elements:
28 %         opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
29 %                   If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
30 %         opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
31 %         opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
32 %                   2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
33 %                         update.
34 %                   3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
35 %                         update based on fixed and free variables. Can only
36 %                         be called, if the inequality constrained QP is
37 %                         setup on the form seen in QP_solver.
38 %   If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
39 %
40 % Output parameters
41 %   x : The optimal solution.
42 %   mu : The Lagrange multipliers at the optimal solution.
43 %   info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
44 %         info(1) = final values of the objective function.
45 %         info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
46 %         info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
47 %                   2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
48 %   perf : Performace, struct holding:
49 %         perf.x : Values of x , size is nx(it+1).
50 %         perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
51 %         perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
52 %         perf.c : Values of c(x), size is mx(it+1).
53 %         perf.Wa : Active set, size is mx(it+1).
54 %         perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is mx(it+1).
55 %
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58 % Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
59 %           M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
60 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor.
61 %           Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
62 % Date    : 07. June 2007.
63 %
64 % the size of the constraint matrix, where the constraints are given columnwise
65 % ...
66 [n,m] = size(A);
67 nb = 2*n; % number of bounds
68 ngc = m - nb; % number of general constraints
69 %
70 % initialize ...
71 z = zeros(m,1);
72 x0 = x;
73 f0 = objective(G,g,x0);
74 mu0 = z;
75 c0 = constraints(A,b,x0);
76 wact0 = z;
77 wnon0 = (1:1:m)';
```



```

158      % make constrained step...
159      x = x + alpha*p;
160      [w_act w_non A P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,A,w_act,w_non,x
161      ,P,nb1,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b); % r is index of A
162      else
163          % make full step...
164          x = x + p;
165      end
166      % collecting output in containers...
167      if trace
168          if nb1 % method 3 is used
169              X(:,it) = P'*x;
170          else
171              X(:,it) = x;
172          end
173          F(it) = objective(G,g,x);
174          Mu(:,it) = mu;
175          C(:,it) = constraints(A,b,x);
176          W_act(w_act,it) = w_act;
177          W_non(w_non,it) = w_non;
178      end
179  end
180
181 if nb1 % method 3 is used
182     x = P'*x;
183 end
184
185 % building info...
186 info = [objective(G,g,x) it stop];
187
188 % building perf...
189 if trace
190     X = X(:,1:it); X = [x0 X];
191     F = F(1:it); F = [f0 F];
192     Mu = Mu(:,1:it); Mu = [mu0 Mu];
193     C = C(:,1:it); C = [c0 C];
194     W_act = W_act(:,1:it); W_act = [w_act0 W_act];
195     W_non = W_non(:,1:it); W_non = [w_non0 W_non];
196     perf = struct('x',{X}, 'f',{F}, 'mu',{Mu}, 'c',{C}, 'Wa',{W_act}, 'Wi',{W_non});
197 end
198
199 function [alpha,j] = step_length(A,b,x,p,w_non,nb,n,tol)
200 alpha = 1; j = [];
201 for app = w_non
202     if app > nb
203         fv = 1:1:n; % general constraint
204     else
205         fv = mod(app-1,n)+1; % index of fixed variable
206     end
207     ap = A(fv,app)'*p(fv);
208     if ap < -tol
209         temp = (b(app) - A(fv,app)'*x(fv))/ap;
210         if -tol < temp & temp < alpha
211             alpha = temp; % smallest step length
212             j = app; % index j of bound to be appended
213         end
214     end
215 end
216
217 % function [w_act,w_non] = append_constraint(b,w_act,w_non,j,pbc)
218 % w_act = [w_act,j]; % append constraint j to active set
219 % w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % remove constraint j from nonactive set
220 % if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
221 %     w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j))); % remove constraint pbc(j) from
222 %     nonactive set, if not unbounded
223 % end
224
225 % function [w_act,w_non] = remove_constraint(b,w_act,w_non,j,pbc)
226 % w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % remove constraint j from active set
227 % w_non = [w_non j]; % append constraint j to nonactive set
228 % if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
229 %     w_non = [w_non pbc(j)]; % append constraint pbc(j) to nonactive set, if
230 %     not unbounded
231 % end
232
233 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(wi,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
234 nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b) % wi is index of w_act
235 j = w_act(wi);
236
237 if j < nb+1
238     reorganize the variables
239     var1 = n-nab+1;
240     var2 = n-nab+wi;
241
242     temp = C(var1,:);
243     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);

```

```

240 C(var2,:) = temp;
241 temp = x(var1);
242 x(var1) = x(var2);
243 x(var2) = temp;
244
245 temp = P(var1,:);
246 P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
247 P(var2,:) = temp;
248
249 temp = G(var1,var1);
250 G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
251 G(var2,var2) = temp;
252
253 temp = g(var1);
254 g(var1) = g(var2);
255 g(var2) = temp;
256 nab = nab - 1;
257
258 temp = w_act(wi);
259 w_act(wi) = w_act(1);
260 w_act(1) = temp;
261 j = w_act(1);
262
263 end % bound/ general constraint j is removed from active set
264 w_non = [w_non j]; % bound/ general constraint j appended to nonactive set
265
266 if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
267 w_non = [w_non pbc(j)]; % append bound/constraint pbc(j) to nonactive set, if not unbounded
268 end
269
270 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
271 nb,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b) % j is index of C
272
273 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to reorganize the variables
274 var1 = find(abs(C(:,j))==1);
275 var2 = n-nab;
276
277 temp = C(var1,:);
278 C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);
279 C(var2,:) = temp;
280
281 temp = Q(var1,:);
282 Q(var1,:) = Q(var2,:);
283 Q(var2,:) = temp;
284
285 temp = x(var1);
286 x(var1) = x(var2);
287 x(var2) = temp;
288
289 temp = P(var1,:);
290 P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
291 P(var2,:) = temp;
292
293 temp = G(var1,var1);
294 G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
295 G(var2,var2) = temp;
296
297 temp = g(var1);
298 g(var1) = g(var2);
299 g(var2) = temp;
300 nab = nab + 1;
301 w_act = [j w_act]; % j (is a bound) is appended to active set
302 else
303 w_act = [w_act j]; % j (is a general constraint) is appended to active set
304 end % bound/ general constraint j is removed from nonactive set
305 w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % bound/ general constraint j
306 if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
307 w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j))); % remove bound/constraint pbc(j) from nonactive set, if not unbounded
308 end
309
310 function f = objective(G,g,x)
311 f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;
312
313 function c = constraints(A,b,x)
314 c = A'*x - b;
315
316 function l = lagrangian(G,g,A,b,x,mu)
317 L = objective(G,g,A,b,x,mu) - mu(:)'*constraints(G,g,A,b,x,mu);

```

dual_active_set_method.m

```

1 function [x, mu, info, perf] = dual_active_set_method(G, g, C, b, w_non, pbc, opts, trace)
2
3 % DUAL_ACTIVE_SET_METHOD Solving an inequality constrained QP of the
4 % form:
5 % min f(x) = 0.5*x'*G*x + g*x
6 % s.t. A*x >= b,
7 % by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's using the dual
8 % active set method. The method uses the range space procedure or the null
9 % space procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the
10 % null space procedures has been provided with factorization updates.
11 %
12 % Call
13 % x = dual_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, pbc)
14 % x = dual_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, pbc, opts)
15 % [x, mu, info, perf] = dual_active_set_method( ... )
16 %
17 % Input parameters
18 % G : The Hessian matrix of the objective function, size nxn.
19 % g : The linear term of the objective function, size nx1.
20 % A : The constraint matrix holding the constraints, size nxm.
21 % b : The right-hand side of the constraints, size mx1.
22 % x : Starting point, size nx1.
23 % w_non : List of inactive constraints, pointing on constraints in A.
24 % pbc : List of corresponding constraints, pointing on constraints in
25 % A. Can be empty.
26 % opts : Vector with 3 elements:
27 %     opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
28 %             If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
29 %     opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
30 %     opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
31 %                 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
32 %                     update.
33 %                 3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
34 %                     update based on fixed and free variables. Can only
35 %                     be called, if the inequality constrained QP is
36 %                     setup on the form seen in QP_solver
37 %                 4 : Using range space procedure.
38 %                 5 : Using range space procedure with factorization
39 %                     update.
40 % If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
41 %
42 % Output parameters
43 % x : The optimal solution.
44 % mu : The Lagrange multipliers at the optimal solution.
45 % info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
46 %     info(1) = final values of the objective function.
47 %     info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
48 %     info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
49 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
50 %                 3 : Problem is infeasible.
51 % perf : Performance struct holding:
52 %     perf.x : Values of x, size is nx(it+1).
53 %     perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
54 %     perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
55 %     perf.c : Values of c(x), size is mx(it+1).
56 %     perf.Wa : Active set, size is mx(it+1).
57 %     perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is mx(it+1).
58 %
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65 % Date : 07. June 2007.
66 %
67 % initialize options...
68 tol = opts(1);
69 it_max = opts(2);
70 method = opts(3);
71 [n,m] = size(C);
72 z = zeros(m,1);
73 %
74 % initialize containers...
75 %trace = (nargout > 3);

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76  perf = [];
77  if trace
78    X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max);
79    F = repmat(0,1,it_max);
80    Mu = repmat(z,1,it_max);
81    Con = repmat(z,1,it_max);
82    W_act = repmat(z,1,it_max);
83    W_non = repmat(z,1,it_max);
84  end
85
86  if method == 3 % null space with FXFR-update
87    nb = n*2; % number of bounds
88  else
89    nb = 0;
90  end
91 nab = 0; % number of active bounds
92 P = eye(n);
93
94 x = -G\g;
95 mu = zeros(m,1);
96 w_act = [];
97
98 x0 = x;
99 f0 = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu);
100 mu0 = mu;
101 con0 = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
102 w_act0 = z;
103 w_non0 = (1:1:m)';
104
105 Q = []; T = []; L = []; R = []; rem = []; % both for range- and
106 % null_space_update and for null_space_update_FXFR
107 if method == 4 || method == 5 % range space or range space update
108   chol_G = chol(G);
109 end
110 it_tot = 0;
111 it = 0;
112 max_itr = it_max;
113 stop = 0;
114
115 while ~stop
116
117   c = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
118   if c >= -tol;%le-12%-sqrt(ep) % all elements must be >= 0
119   % disp(['/////////itr:',int2str(it+1),'//////////']);
120   % disp('STOP: all inactive constraints >= 0');
121   stop = 1;
122   else
123     % we find the most negative value of c
124     [c,r] = min(c);
125     r = w_non(r);
126   end
127
128   it = it + 1;
129   if it >= max_itr % no convergence
130     disp(['/////////itr:',int2str(it+1),'//////////']);
131     disp('STOP: it >= max_itr (outer_while_loop)');
132     stop = 2;
133   end
134
135   it2 = 0;
136   stop2 = max(0,stop);
137   while ~stop2 %c,r < -sqrt(ep)
138     it2 = it2 + 1;
139
140     if method == 1
141       [p,v] = null_space(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),-zeros(length(w_act),1));
142     end
143     if method == 2
144       [p,v,Q,T,L] = null_space_update(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(length(w_act),1),Q,T,L,rem);
145     end
146     if method == 3
147       Cr = C(:,r);
148       A_ = C(:,w_act(nb+1:end));
149       % adjust C(:,r) to make it correspond to the factorizations
       % of the
       % Fixed variables (whenever -1 appears at variable i C(:,r) i
       % should change sign)
150       if nab % some bounds are in the active set
151         u_idx = find(w_act > nb/2 & w_act < nb+1);
152         var = n-nab+u_idx;
153         Cr(var) = -Cr(var);
154         A_(var,:) = -A_(var,:);
155       end
156       [p,v,Q,T,L] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q,T,L,G,A_,-Cr,zeros(length(w_act),1),nab,rem-nab);
157     end

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158      if method == 4
159          [p,v] = range_space(chol_G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),-zeros(length(w_act)
160                                ,1));
160      end
161      if method == 5
162          [p,v,Q,R] = range_space_update(chol_G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(
163                                length(w_act),1),Q,R,rem);
163      end
164
165      if isempty(v)
166          v = [];
167      end
168
169      arp = C(:,r)*p;
170      if abs(arp) <= tol % linear dependency
171          if v >= 0 % solution does not exist
172              disp(['////////-itr: ',int2str(it+1),'-//////////']);
173              disp('STOP:v>=0, PROBLEM IS INFEASIBLE !!!');
174              stop = 3;
175              stop2 = stop;
176          else
177              t = inf;
178              for k = 1:length(v)
179                  if v(k) < 0
180                      temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
181                      if temp < t
182                          t = temp;
183                          rem = k;
184                      end
185                  end
186              end
187              mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t*v;
188              mu(r) = mu(r) + t;
189              % remove linear dependent constraint from A
190              [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(rem,C,w_act,
191                                                    w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b); % rem is index of w_act
192          end
193      else
194          % stepsize in dual space
195          t1 = inf;
196          for k = 1:length(v)
197              if v(k) < 0
198                  temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
199                  if temp < t1
200                      t1 = temp;
201                      rem = k;
202                  end
203              end
204          end
205          % stepsize in primal space
206          t2 = -constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu)/arp;
207          if t2 <= t1
208              x = x + t2*p;
209              mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t2*v;
210              mu(r) = mu(r) + t2;
211              % append constraint to active set
212              [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(r,C,w_act,
213                                                    w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b); % r is index of C
214          else
215              x = x + t1*p;
216              mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t1*v;
217              mu(r) = mu(r) + t1;
218              % remove constraint from active set
219              [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(rem,C,w_act,
220                                                    w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b); % rem is index of w_act
221          end
222      end
223      c_r = constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu);
224      if c_r > -tol
225          stop2 = 1; % leave the inner while-loop but doesnt stop the
226                      % algorithm
227      end
228
229      if it2 >= max_itr % no convergence (terminate the algorithm)
230          disp(['////////-itr: ',int2str(it+1),'-//////////']);
231          disp('STOP:itr>=max_itr(inner while loop)');
232          stop = 2;
233          stop2 = stop;
234      end
235
236      % collecting output in containers...
237      if trace
238          if nb % method 3 is used
239              X(:,it) = P'*x;
240          else
241              X(:,it) = x;
242          end

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239         F(it) = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu);
240         Mu(:,it) = mu;
241         Con(w_non,it) = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
242         W_act(w_act,it) = w_act;
243         W_non(w_non,it) = w_non;
244     end
245 end % while
246 it_tot = it_tot + it2;
247 end % while
248 it_tot = it_tot + it;
249 if nb % method 3 is used
250     x = P*x;
251     % figure; spy(C(:,w_act)), pause
252 end
253
254 % building info...
255 info = [objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu) it_tot stop];
256 % building perf...
257 if trace
258     X = X(:,1:it); X = [x0 X];
259     F = (1:it); F = [f0 F];
260     Mu = Mu(:,1:it); Mu = [mu0 Mu];
261     Con = Con(:,1:it); Con = [con0 Con];
262     W_act = W_act(:,1:it); W_act = [w_act0 W_act];
263     W_non = W_non(:,1:it); W_non = [w_non0 W_non];
264     perf = struct('x',{X}, 'f',{F}, 'mu',{Mu}, 'c',{Con}, 'Wa',{W_act}, 'Wi',{W_non});
265 end
266
267 function c = constraints(G,C,g,b,x,mu)
268 c = C'*x - b;
269
270 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(wi,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
271 nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b) % wi is index of w_act
272 j = w_act(wi);
273 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to
274     reorganize the variables
275     var1 = n-nab+1;
276     var2 = n-nab+wi;
277
278     temp = C(var1,:);
279     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);
280     C(var2,:) = temp;
281
282     temp = x(var1);
283     x(var1) = x(var2);
284     x(var2) = temp;
285
286     temp = P(var1,:);
287     P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
288     P(var2,:) = temp;
289
290     temp = G(var1,var1);
291     G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
292     G(var2,var2) = temp;
293
294     temp = g(var1);
295     g(var1) = g(var2);
296     g(var2) = temp;
297     nab = nab - 1;
298
299     temp = w_act(wi);
300     w_act(wi) = w_act(1);
301     w_act(1) = temp;
302     j = w_act(1);
303 end
304 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % bound/ general constraint j is
305 % removed from active set
306 w_non = [w_non j]; % bound/ general constraint j
307 % appended to nonactive set
308
309 if ~isempty(pbc)
310     if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
311         w_non = [w_non pbc(j)]; % append bound/constraint pbc
312         (j) to nonactive set, if not unbounded
313     end
314 end
315
316 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
317 nb,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b) % j is index of C % j is a bound and we have to
318 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to
319     reorganize the variables
320     var1 = find(abs(C(:,j))==1);
321     var2 = n-nab;
322
323     temp = C(var1,:);
324     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);

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318     C(var2,:)=temp;
319
320     temp=Q(var1,:);
321     Q(var1,:)=Q(var2,:);
322     Q(var2,:)=temp;
323
324     temp=x(var1);
325     x(var1)=x(var2);
326     x(var2)=temp;
327
328     temp=P(var1,:);
329     P(var1,:)=P(var2,:);
330     P(var2,:)=temp;
331
332     temp=G(var1,var1);
333     G(var1,var1)=G(var2,var2);
334     G(var2,var2)=temp;
335
336     temp=g(var1);
337     g(var1)=g(var2);
338     g(var2)=temp;
339     nab=nab+1;
340     w_act=[j w_act];
            % j (is a bound) is appended to
            active set
341   else
342     w_act=[w_act j];
            % j (is a general constraint)
343   end
344   w_non=w_non(find(w_non ~= j));
            % bound/ general constraint j
            is removed from nonactive set
345
346   if ~isempty(pbc)
347     if isninf(b(pbc(j)))
348       w_non=w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j)));
            % remove bound/constraint
            pbc(j) from nonactive set, if not unbounded
349     end
350   end
351
352   function f = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu)
353   f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;

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QP_solver.m

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1  function [x,info,perf] = QP_solver(H,g,l,u,A,bl,bu,x,opts)
2
3 % QP_SOLVER Solving an inequality constrained QP of the form:
4 % min f(x) = 0.5*x'*H*x + g*x
5 % s.t. l <= x <= u
6 %      bl <= A*x <= bu,
7 % using the primal active set method or the dual active set method. The
8 % active set methods uses the range space procedure or the null space
9 % procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the null
10 % space procedures has been provided with factorization updates. Equality
11 % constraints are defined as l = u and bl = bu respectively.
12 %
13 % Call
14 % x = QP_solver(H, g, l, u, A, bl, bu)
15 % x = QP_solver(H, g, l, u, A, bl, bu, x, opts)
16 % [x, info, perf] = QP_solver( ... )
17 %
18 % Input parameters
19 % H : The Hessian matrix of the objective function.
20 % g : The linear term of the objective function.
21 % l : Lower limits of bounds. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
22 % u : Upper limits of bounds. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
23 % A : The constraint matrix holding the general constraints as rows.
24 % bl : Lower limits of general constraints. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
25 % bu : Upper limits of general constraints. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
26 % x : Starting point. If x is not given or empty, then the dual active
27 % set method is used, otherwise the primal active set method is
28 % used.
29 % opts : Vector with 3 elements:
30 %        opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
31 %                  If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
32 %        opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
33 %        Primal active set method:
34 %        opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
35 %                  2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
36 %                      update.
37 %                  3 : Using null space procedure with factorization

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38 % update based on fixed and free variables.
39 % If opts(3) > 3, then opts(3) is set to 3 automatically.
40 % Dual active set method:
41 %   opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
42 %                 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
43 %                   update.
44 %                 3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
45 %                   update based on fixed and free variables.
46 %                 4 : Using range space procedure.
47 %                 5 : Using range space procedure with factorization
48 %                   update.
49 %     If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
50 %
51 % Output parameters
52 %   x : The optimal solution.
53 %   info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
54 %         info(1) = final values of the objective function.
55 %         info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
56 % Primal active set method:
57 %   info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
58 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
59 % Dual active set method:
60 %   info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
61 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
62 %                 3 : Problem is infeasible.
63 % perf : Performance struct holding:
64 %   perf.x : Values of x, size is nx(it+1).
65 %   perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
66 %   perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
67 %   perf.c : Values of c(x), size is (n+n+m+m)x(it+1).
68 %   perf.Wa : Active set, size is (n+n+m+m)x(it+1).
69 %   perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is (n+n+m+m)x(it+1).
70 %     Size (n+n+m+m)x(it+1) is referring to indices i_wl = 1:n, i_wu = (n+1):2
71 %     n, i_wl = (2n+1):(2n+m) and i_wu = (2n+m+1):(2n+2m).
72 %
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79 % Date    : 07. June 2007.
80 %
81 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
82 % Tune input and gather information %%
83 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
84 % Tune...
85 l = 1(:); u = u(:);
86 bl = bl(:); bu = bu(:);
87 g = g(:);
88 % Gather...
89 [m,n] = size(A);
90 %
91 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
92 % Set options %%
93 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
94 if nargin < 9 | isempty(opts)
95     tol = 1e-8;
96     it_max = 1000;
97     method = 3;
98     opts = [tol it_max method];
99 else
100     opts = opts(:)';
101 end
102 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
103 % Check nargin/nargout %%
104 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
105 error(nargchk(7,9,nargin))
106 error(nargoutchk(1,3,nargout))
107 % Check input/output %%
108 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
109 % Check H... %%
110 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
111 sizeH = size(H);
112 if sizeH(1) ~= n | sizeH(2) ~= n
113     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so H must be of size ', ...
114           int2str(n), 'x', int2str(n), '.'])
115 end
116 Hdif = H - H';
117 if norm(Hdif(:,1),inf) > eps*norm(H(:,1),inf) % relative check of biggest absolute
118     value in Hdif
119     error('H must be symmetric.')
120 end
121 [dummy,p] = chol(H);
122 if p
123     error('H must be positive definite.')
124 end

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123 % Check g...
124 sizeg = size(g);
125 if sizeg(1) ~= n | sizeg(2) ~= 1
126   error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so g must be a vector
127       of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
128 end
129 % Check l and u...
130 %l(40,1) = inf; % ???
131 size1 = size(l);
132 if size1(1) ~= n | size1(2) ~= 1
133   error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so l must be a vector
134       of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
135 end
136 sizeu = size(u);
137 if sizeu(1) ~= n | sizeu(2) ~= 1
138   error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so u must be a vector
139       of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
140 end
141 for i = 1:n
142   if l(i,1) > u(i,1)
143     error(['l(', int2str(i), ') must be smaller than or equal to u(', int2str(
144       i), ')'])
145   end
146 end
147 % Check bl and bu...
148 sizebl = size(bl);
149 if sizebl(1) ~= n | sizebl(2) ~= 1
150   error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so bl must be a vector
151       of ', int2str(m), ' elements.'])
152 end
153 sizebu = size(bu);
154 if sizebu(1) ~= n | sizebu(2) ~= 1
155   error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so bu must be a vector
156       of ', int2str(m), ' elements.'])
157 end
158 % Check x...
159 if nargin > 7 & ~isempty(x)
160   %opts(1) = 1e-20; % ???
161   feasible = 1;
162   sizex = size(x);
163   if sizex(1) ~= n | sizex(2) ~= 1
164     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so x must be a
165         vector of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
166   end
167   i_l = find(x - 1 < -opts(1)); i_u = find(x - u > opts(1));
168   i_b1 = find(A*x - bl < -opts(1)); i_bu = find(A*x - bu > opts(1));
169   if isempty(i_l)
170     disp(['Following bound(s) violated, because x - 1 < ', num2str(-opts(1)),
171           ':'])
172     fprintf(['\b', int2str(i_l), '\n'])
173     feasible = 0;
174   end
175   if isempty(i_u)
176     disp(['Following bound(s) violated, because x - u > ', num2str(opts(1)),
177           ':'])
178     fprintf(['\b', int2str(i_u), '\n'])
179     feasible = 0;
180   end
181   if isempty(i_b1)
182     disp(['Following general constraint(s) violated, because A*x - bl < ',
183           num2str(-opts(1)), ':'])
184     fprintf(['\b', int2str(i_b1), '\n'])
185     feasible = 0;
186   end
187   if isempty(i_bu)
188     disp(['Following general constraint(s) violated, because A*x - bu > ',
189           num2str(opts(1)), ':'])
190     fprintf(['\b', int2str(i_bu), '\n'])
191     feasible = 0;
192   end
193   if ~feasible
194     error('Starting point for primal active set method is not feasible.')
195 end
196 % Check opts...
197 if length(opts) ~= 3
198   error('Options must be a vector of 3 elements.')
199 end
200 i = 1;
201 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
202   error('opts(1) must be positive.')
203 end

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198 end
199 i = 2;
200 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0 | mod(opts(i),1)
201 error('opts (2) must be a positive integer.')
202 end
203 i = 3;
204 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 1 | 5 < opts(i) | mod(opts(i),1)
205 error('opts (3) must be an integer in range 1 <= value <= 5.')
206 end
207
208 % Initialize %
209 % Organize bounds and constraints %
210 % Convert input structure l <= I*x <= u and bl <= A*x <= bu to C*x >= b, where %
211 % C = [I -I A -A] = [B A] (A = [A -A]) and b = [l -u bl -bu]...
212 I = eye(n);
213 At = A';
214
215 % Organize bounds and constraints %
216
217 % Convert input structure l <= I*x <= u and bl <= A*x <= bu to C*x >= b, where %
218 % C = [I -I A -A] = [B A] (A = [A -A]) and b = [l -u bl -bu]...
219 B = [I -I];
220 A = [At -At];
221 C = [B A];
222 b = [l; -u; bl; -bu];
223
224 % Build inactive set and corresponding constraints %
225 % Initialize inactive set...
226 wnon = 1:1:2*(n+m);
227 % Remove unbounded constraints from inactive set...
228 wnon = wnon(find(~isnan(b)));
229 % Indices of corresponding constraints...
230 cc = [(n+1):1:(2*n) 1:n (2*n+m+1):1:2*(n+m) 2*n+1:1:2*n+m]; % wnon = [i_l i_u i_lbl i_bu]
231 i_l = i_lbl + i_bu -> cc = [i_l i_u i_lbl i_bu];
232
233 % Startup info %
234 % Disregarded constraints...
235 %1(40,1) = inf; % ???
236 i_l = find(isinf(1));
237 i_u = find(isinf(u));
238 i_lbl = find(isinf(bl));
239 i_bu = find(isinf(bu));
240 if ~isempty(i_l)
241 disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because l is unbounded:')
242 disp(['i_l=[',int2str(i_l),']'])
243 end
244 if ~isempty(i_u)
245 disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because u is unbounded:')
246 disp(['i_u=[',int2str(i_u),']'])
247 end
248 if ~isempty(i_lbl)
249 disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because bl is unbounded:')
250 disp(['i_lbl=[',int2str(i_lbl),']'])
251 end
252 if ~isempty(i_bu)
253 disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because bu is unbounded:')
254 disp(['i_bu=[',int2str(i_bu),']'])
255 end
256
257 % Call primal active set or dual active set method %
258 trace = (nargout > 2); % building perf
259 if nargin < 8 | isempty(x)
260 disp('Calling dual active set method.')
261 [x,mu,info,perf] = dual_active_set_method(H,g,C,b,wnon,cc,opts,trace);
262 else
263 disp('Starting point is feasible.')
264 disp('Calling primal active set method.')
265 if opts(3) > 3
266 opts(3) = 3;
267 end
268 [x,mu,info,perf] = primal_active_set_method(H,g,C,b,x,wnon,cc,opts,trace);
269 end
270 % Display info...
271 if info(1) == 2
272 disp('No solution found, maximum number of iteration steps exceeded.')
273 end
274 if info(1) == 3
275 disp('No solution found, problem is unfeasible.')
276 end
277 disp('QP solver terminated.')
278
279
```

LP_solver.m

```

1 function [x, f, A, b, Aeq, beq, l, u] = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu)
2 % LP-SOLVER Finding a feasible point with respect to the constraints of an
3 % inequality constrained QP of the form:
4 %
5 % min f(x) = 0.5*x'*H*x + g*x
6 % s.t. l <= x <= u
7 % bl <= A*x <= bu,
8 %
9 % using the Matlab function linprog. Equality constraints are defined as
10 % l = u and bl = bu respectively.
11 %
12 %
13 % Call
14 % x = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu)
15 % x = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu, opts)
16 % [x, f, A, b, Aeq, beq, l, u] = LP_solver( ... )
17 %
18 % Input parameters
19 % l : Lower limits of bounds. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
20 % u : Upper limits of bounds. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
21 % A : The constraint matrix holding the general constraints as rows.
22 % bl : Lower limits of general constraints. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
23 % bu : Upper limits of general constraints. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
24 % opts : Vector with 2 elements:
25 %       opts(1) = Tolerance deciding if constraints are equalities.
26 %                 If |bu - bl| <= opts(1), then constraint is regarded
27 %                 as an equality.
28 %       opts(2) = pseudo-infinity, can be used to replace (+-)Inf with a
29 %                 real value regarding unbounded variables and general
30 %                 constraints.
31 % If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [0 inf].
32 %
33 % Output parameters
34 % x : Feasible point.
35 % f,A,b,Aeq,beq,l,u : Output structured for further use in linprog.
36 %
37 % By : Carsten V\olcker, s961572.
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42 % Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
43 % Date : 07. June 2007.
44 %
45 find_equality_constraints = 1; % see initialization of constraints below
46 equality_tol = 1e-8; % see initialization of constraints below
47 %
48 % Tune input and gather information
49 %
50 % Tune...
51 l = l(:); u = u(:);
52 bl = bl(:); bu = bu(:);
53 %
54 [m,n] = size(A);
55 %
56 % Set options
57 %
58 if nargin < 6 | isempty(opts)
59     equality_tol = 1e-8;
60     pseudoinf = 1e8;
61 else
62     opts = opts(:)';
63     % Check opts...
64     if length(opts) ~= 2
65         error('Options must be a vector of 2 elements.')
66     end
67     i = 1;
68     if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
69         error('opts(1) must be positive.')
70     end
71     i = 2;
72     if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
73         error('opts(2) must be positive.')
74     end
75     equality_tol = opts(1);
76     pseudoinf = opts(2);
77 end
78 %
79 % Check nargin/nargout
80 %
81 error(nargchk(5,6,nargin))
82 error(nargoutchk(1,8,nargout))

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84 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
85 % Check input
86 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
87 % Check l and u...
88 %l(40,1) = inf; % ???
89 size1 = size(l);
90 if size1(1) ~= n | size1(2) ~= 1
91     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so A must be a vector
92         of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
93 end
94 sizeu = size(u);
95 if sizeu(1) ~= n | sizeu(2) ~= 1
96     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so u must be a vector
97         of ', int2str(n), ' elements.'])
98 end
99 for i = 1:n
100    if l(i,1) > u(i,1)
101        error(['l(', int2str(i), ') must be smaller than or equal to u(
102            ', int2str(i), ') .'])
103    end
104 end
105 % Check bl and bu...
106 sizebl = size(bl);
107 if sizebl(1) ~= n | sizebl(2) ~= 1
108     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so bl must be a vector
109         of ', int2str(m), ' elements.'])
110 end
111 sizebu = size(bu);
112 if sizebu(1) ~= n | sizebu(2) ~= 1
113     error(['Size of A is ', int2str(m), 'x', int2str(n), ', so bu must be a vector
114         of ', int2str(m), ' elements.'])
115 end
116
117 % Initialize input for linprog
118 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
119 % Replace +/-inf with pseudo inf (linprog requirement)...
120 if pseudoinf ~= inf
121    l(find(l == -inf)) = -pseudoinf;
122    u(find(u == inf)) = pseudoinf;
123    bl(find(bl == -inf)) = -pseudoinf;
124    bu(find(bu == inf)) = pseudoinf;
125 end
126 % Objective function f defined as a vector -> linprog is using inf-norm...
127 f = ones(n,1);
128 % Initialize constraints...
129 if 1
130    % Find indices of equality and inequality constraints...
131    in = 1:m; % indices of all constraints
132    eq = find(abs(bu - bl) <= equality_tol); % indices of equality constraints
133    for i = eq
134        in = in(find(in ~= i)); % remove indices of equality constraints
135    end
136    % Split constraints into equality and inequality constraints...
137    A_eq = A(:,eq); A_in = A(:,in);
138    bl_eq = bl(eq); bl_in = bl(in);
139    bu_eq = bu(eq); bu_in = bu(in);
140    A = [-A_in'; A_in']; % constraint matrix of inequality constraints
141    b = [-bl_in'; bu_in']; % inequality constraints
142    Aeq = A_eq'; % constraint matrix of equality constraints
143    beq = (bl_eq + bu_eq)/2; % equality constraints
144 else
145    % all constraints initialized as inequalities
146    A = [-A'; A']; % constraint matrix of inequality constraints
147    b = [-bl'; bu']; % inequality constraints
148    Aeq = []; % no equality constraints
149    beq = []; % no equality constraints
150 end
151
152 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
153 % Find feasible point and display user info
154 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
155 % Find feasible point using linprog with default settings...
156 disp('Calling linprog.')
157 [x,dummy,exitflag] = linprog(f,A,b,Aeq,beq,l,u,[],optimset('Display','off'));
158 % Replace pseudo limit with +/-inf...
159 if pseudoinf ~= inf
160    b(find(b == -pseudoinf)) = -inf;
161    b(find(b == pseudoinf)) = inf;
162    l(find(l == -pseudoinf)) = -inf;
163    u(find(u == pseudoinf)) = inf;

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```
165 end
166 % Display info...
167 if exitflag == 1
168     disp(['No feasible point found, exitflag = ', int2str(exitflag), ', see "help
169     linprog".'])
end
for i = 1:length(x)
    if x(i) > pseudoinf
        disp(['Feasible point regarded as infinite, x(', int2str(i), ') > ',
172             num2str(pseudoinf), '.'])
    end
    if x(i) < -pseudoinf
        disp(['Feasible point regarded as infinite, x(', int2str(i), ') < ',
175             num2str(-pseudoinf), '.'])
    end
end
177 disp('LPsolver_terminated.')
```

D.3 Nonlinear Programming

SQP_solver.m

```

1  function [x, info, perf] = SQP_solver(modfun, modsens, costfun, costsens, x0,
2 % SQPSOLVER Solves a nonlinear program of the form
3 %
4 % min f(x)
5 % s.t. h(x) >= 0
6 %
7 % Where f: R^n -> R, and h: R^n -> R^m, meaning that n is the number of
8 % variables and m
9 % is the number of constraints. SQP solves the program by use of the Lagrangian
10 % function
11 % L(x,y) = f(x)-y'h(x) which means that it is the following system that is
12 % solved
13 % nabla_x(L(x,y)) = nabla(f(x))-nabla(h(x))y = 0
14 % nabla_y(L(x,y)) = -h(x) = 0.
15 % Newtons method is used to approximate the solution. Each Newton step is
16 % calculated by
17 % solving a QP defined as
18 % min 0.5*delta_x '[nabla^2_xx(L(x,y))] delta_x + [nabla(f(x))] ' delta_x
19 % s.t. nabla(h(x))'delta_x >= -h(x)
20 %
21 % This means that the solution can only be found if nabla^2_xx(L(x,y)) is
22 % positive definite. An BFGS-update has been provided which approximates nabla
23 % ^2_xx(L(x,y)).
24 % The solution is found by solving a sequence of these QPs. The
25 % dual active set method is used for solving the QP's.
26 %
27 % Call
28 % [x, info, perf] = SQP_solver(@modfun, @modsens, @costfun, @costsens, x0,
29 % pi0, opts)
30 %
31 % Input parameters
32 % @modfun : functions that defines: h(x) : R^n -> R^m
33 % @modsens : functions that defines: nabla(h(x)) : R^n -> R^(nxm)
34 % @costfun : functions that defines: f(x) : R^n -> R
35 % @costsens : functions that defines: nabla(f(x)) : R^n -> R^n
36 % x0 : starting_guess
37 % pi0 : lagrange multipliers for the constraints.
38 % (could be a zero-vector of length m).
39 % opts :
40 % opts : Vector with 3 elements:
41 %       opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
42 %                 If |value| < opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
43 %       opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
44 %       opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
45 %                 = 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
46 %                 update.
47 %       If opts(3) > 2, then opts(3) is set to 2 automatically.
48 %       If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 2].
49 %
50 % Output parameters
51 % x : The optimal solution.
52 % info : Performace information, vector with 3 elements:
53 %       info(1) = final values of f.
54 %       info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
55 %       info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
56 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
57 % perf : Performace, struct holding:
58 %       perf.x : Values of x from each iteration of SQP. Size is nxit.
59 %       perf.f : Values of f(x) from each iteration of SQP. Size is 1
60 %                 xit.
61 %       perf.itQP : Number of iterations from the dual active set method
62 %                 each time a QP is solved. Size is 1xit.
63 %       perf.stopQP : reason why the dual active set method has
64 %                 terminated each time a QP is solved. Size
65 %                 is 1xit.
66 %       perf.stopQP(i) = 1: solution of QP has been found successfully.
67 %       perf.stopQP(i) = 2: solution of QP has not been found successfully as
68 %                 iteration number has exceeded max_iteration
69 %       perf.stopQP(i) = 3: solution of QP has not been found as the QP is
70 %                 infeasible.
71 %
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74 % Date        : 07. June 2007.
75 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%
76
77 if nargin < 7 | isempty(opts)
78     tol = 1e-8;
79     it_max = 1000;
80     method = 2;
81     opts = [tol it_max method];
82 else
83     if opts(3) > 2
84         opts(3) = 2;
85     end
86     opts = opts(:)';
87 end
88
89 f0 = feval(costfun, x0, varargin{:});
90 g0 = feval(modfun, x0, varargin{:});
91 c = feval(costsens, x0, varargin{:});
92 A = feval(modsens, x0, varargin{:});
93 W = eye(length(x0));
94 w_non = (1:length(g0));
95
96 stop = 0;
97 tol = opts(1);
98 it_max = opts(2);
99 itr = 0;
100 n = length(x0);
101 xinit = x0;
102 finit = f0;
103
104 % initialize containers...
105 trace = (nargout > 2);
106 if trace
107     X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max); % x of SQP
108     F = repmat(0,1,it_max); % function value of SQP
109     It = repmat(0,1,it_max); % no. iterations of QP
110     Stop = repmat(0,1,it_max); % stop of QP
111 end
112 max_itr = it_max;
113
114 while ~stop
115     X(:,itr+1) = x0;
116     itr = itr+1;
117     if(itr > max_itr)
118         stop = 2;
119     end
120
121     [delta_x, mu, info] = dual_active_set_method(W, c, A, -g0, w_non, [], opts);
122
123     if (abs(c'*delta_x) + abs(mu'*g0)) < tol
124         disp('solution has been found')
125         stop = 1;
126     else
127
128         if itr == 1
129             sigma = abs(mu);
130         else
131             for i=1:length(mu)
132                 sigma(i) = max(abs(mu(i)), 0.5*(sigma(i)+abs(mu(i))));
133             end
134         end
135
136         [alpha, x, f, g] = line_search_algorithm(modfun, costfun, f0, g0, c, x0, delta_x,
137             , sigma, 1e-4);
138
139         pii = pi0 + alpha*(mu-pi0);
140
141         nabla_L0 = c-A*pii;
142         c = feval(costsens, x, varargin{:});
143         A = feval(modsens, x, varargin{:});
144         nabla_L = c-A*pii;
145         s = x - x0;
146         y = nabla_L - nabla_L0;
147         sy = s'*y;
148         sWs = s'*W*s;
149         if(sy >= 0.2*sWs)
150             theta = 1;
151         else
152             theta = (0.8*sWs)/(sWs-sy);
153         end
154         Ws = W*s;
155         SW = s'*W;
156         r = theta*y+(1-theta)*Ws;

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156     W = W- (Ws*sW) /sWs+(r*r')/(s'*r') ;
157     x0 = x;
158     pi0 = pii;
159     f0 = f;
160     g0 = g;
161 end
162
163 % collecting output in containers...
164 if trace
165     X(:,itr) = x0;
166     F(itr) = f0;
167     It(itr) = info(2);
168     Stop(itr) = info(3);
169 end
170
171 info = [f0 itr stop]; % SQP info
172 x = x0;
173 % building perf...
174 if trace
175     X_ = X(:,1:itr); X_ = [xinit X_];
176     F = F(1:itr); F = [finit F];
177     It = It(1:itr); It = [0 It];
178     Stop = Stop(1:itr); Stop = [0 Stop];
179     perf = struct('x',{X}, 'f',{F}, 'itQP',{It}, 'stopQP',{Stop});
180 end
```

D.4 Updating the Matrix Factorizations

`givens_rotation_matrix.m`

```

1  function [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(a,b)
2
3 % GIVENS_ROTATION MATRIX: calculates the elements c and s which are used to
4 % introduce one zero in a vector of two elements
5 %
6 % Call
7 %     [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(a,b)
8 %
9 % Input parameters
10 %     a and b are the two elements of the vector where we want to
11 %     introduce one zero.
12 %
13 % Output parameters
14 %     c and s is used to construct the givens_rotation_matrix Qgivens: [c -s;
15 %     s c].
16 %     Now one zero is introduced: Qgivens*[a b]' = [gamma 0],
17 %     where gamma is the length of [a b] is abs(gamma)
18 %
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22 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
23 %                 Thomsen, Professor.
24 % Date    : 31. october 2006.
25 % Reference : -----
26
27 %
28 % if(b==0)
29 %     c = 1;
30 %     s = 0;
31 % else
32 %     if(abs(b)>abs(a))
33 %         tau = -a/b;
34 %         s = 1/sqrt(1+tau*tau);
35 %         c = tau*s;
36 %     else
37 %         tau = -b/a;
38 %         c = 1/sqrt(1+tau*tau);
39 %         s = tau*c;
40 %     end
41 % end
42 G = givens(a,b);
43 c = G(1,1);
44 s = G(2,1);

```

`range_space_update.m`

```

1  function [x,u,Q,R] = range_space_update(L,A,g,b,Q,R,col_rem)
2 % RANGE_SPACE_UPDATE uses the range-space procedure for solving a QP problem:
3 % min f(x)=0.5*x'*G*x+g'*x st: A'*x=b,
4 % where A contains m constraints and the system has n variables.
5 % RANGE_SPACE_UPDATE contains methods for
6 % updating the factorizations using Givens rotations.
7 %
8 % *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a sequence of equality
9 % constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
10 % following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint at the
11 % last index of A, or a constraint removed at index col_rem of A.
12 %
13 % Call
14 %     [x,u,Q,R] = range_space_update(L,A,g,b,Q,R,col_rem)
15 %
16 % Input parameters
17 %     L          : is the Cholesky factorization of the Hessian matrix G
18 %     of f(x). L is nxn
19 %     A          : is the constraint matrix. The constraints are columns
20 %     in A. A is nxm
21 %     g          : contains n elements
22 %     b          : contains m elements

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20 %      Q and R : is the QR-factorization of the QP which has just been solved
21 %      (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***.
22 %      col_rem      : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
23 %      from A.
24 %
25 %      Q, R and col_rem can be empty [] which means that The QP
26 %      is the first one in the sequence (see ***).
27 %
28 %      Output parameters
29 %      x           : is the optimized point
30 %      u           : is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
31 %      Q and R : is the QR-factorization of A
32 %
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36 %      Supervisor   : John Bagterp J\o rgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
37 %                      Thomsen, Professor.
38 %      Date        : 11. february 2007.
39 %      Reference   : _____
40
41 [nA,mA] = size(A);
42 [nR,mR] = size(R);
43 K = L\A;
44 w = L'\g;
45 z = b+(w'*K)';
46 if isempty(Q) && isempty(R)
47 %      disp('complete factorization');
48 [Q,R] = qr(K);
49 elseif mR < mA % new column has been appended to A
50 %      disp('append update');
51 [Q,R] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q, R, K(:,end));
52 elseif mR > mA % column has been removed from A at index col_rem
53 %      disp('remove update');
54 [Q, R] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q, R, col_rem);
55 end
56 u = R(1:length(z),:)\z;
57 u = R(1:length(z),:)\u;
58 y = K*u-w;
59 x = L'\y;

```

qr_fact_update_app_col.m

```

1 function [Q,R] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q,R,col_new)
2 % QRFACTUPDATEAPP_COL updates the qr-factorization when a single column is
3 % appended at index m+1. And the factorization from before adding the column
4 % is known
5 % :(Q.old and R.old)
6 %
7 % Call
8 %      [q r] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q.old, R.old, col_new)
9 %
10 % Input parameters
11 %      Q.old is the Q part of the QR-factorization from the former
12 %      matrix A ( the matrix we want to append one column at index m+1).
13 %      R.old is the R part from the QR-factorization from the former
14 %      matrix A ( the matrix we want to append one column at index m+1).
15 %      col_new is the column we want to append
16 %
17 % Output parameters
18 %      Q is the updated Q-matrix
19 %      R is the updated R-matrix (everything but the upper mxm matrix is zeros
20 %
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26 % Date        : 31. october 2006.
27 % Reference   : _____
28
29 [n m] = size(R);
30 sw = (col_new'*Q)';
31 for j = n:-1:m+2
32 i = j-1;
33 [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(sw(i),sw(j));
34 e1 = sw(i)*c - sw(j)*s;
35 sw(j) = sw(i)*s + sw(j)*c;
36 sw(i) = e1;

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35      v1 = Q(:, i)*c - Q(:, j)*s;
36      Q(:, j) = Q(:, i)*s + Q(:, j)*c;
37      Q(:, i) = v1;
38  end
39  R = [R sw];

```

qr_fact_update_rem_col.m

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1 function [Q,R] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q,R,col_index)
2 % QRFACTUPDATEREMCOL updates the qr-factorization when a single column is
3 % removed.
4 %
5 % Call
6 % [q r] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q_old, R_old, col_new)
7 %
8 % Input parameters
9 % Q_old is the Q part from the QR-factorization from the former
10 % matrix A ( the matrix we want to remove one column ).
11 % R_old is the R part from the QR-factorization from the former
12 % matrix A ( the matrix we want to remove one column ).
13 % col_index is the index of the column we want to remove
14 %
15 % Output parameters
16 % Q is the updated Q-matrix
17 % R is the updated R-matrix (everything but the upper mmn matrix is zeros
18 )
19 %
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24 % Thomsen, Professor.
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26 % Reference :
27
28 [n m] = size(R);
29 t = m - col_index;
30 for i = 1:t
31     j = i+1;
32     [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(R(col_index+i-1,col_index+i), R(col_index+j-1,col_index+j));
33     v1 = R(col_index+i-1,col_index+i-1:end)*c - R(col_index+j-1,col_index+j-1:end)*s;
34     R(col_index+j-1,col_index+j-1:end) = R(col_index+i-1,col_index+i-1:end)*s + R(
35         col_index+j-1,col_index+j-1:end)*c;
36     R(col_index+i-1,col_index+i-1:end) = v1;
37     q1 = Q(:, col_index+i-1)*c - Q(:, col_index+j-1)*s;
38     Q(:, col_index+i-1) = Q(:, col_index+i-1)*s + Q(:, col_index+j-1)*c;
39     Q(:, col_index+i-1) = q1;
40 end
41 R = [R(:, 1:col_index-1) R(:, col_index+1:end)];

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null_space_update.m

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1 function [x,u,Qnew,Tnew,Lnew] = null_space_update(G,A,g,b,Qold,Told,Lold ,
2 colrem)
3 % NULLSPACEUPDATE uses the null-space procedure for solving a QP problem: min
4 % f(x)=0.5*x'Gx+g'x st: A'x=b,
5 % where A contains m constraints and the system has n variables.
6 % NULLSPACEUPDATE contains methods for
7 % updating the factorizations using Givens rotations.
8 %
9 % *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a sequence of equality
10 % constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
11 % following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint at the
12 % last index of A, or a constraint removed at index colrem of A.
13 %
14 % Call
15 % [x,u,Qnew,Tnew,Lnew] = null_space_update(G,A,g,b,Qold,Told,Lold ,
16 % colrem)

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16 % Input parameters
17 % G : is the Hessian matrix of f(x). G is nxn
18 % A : is the constraint matrix. The constraints are columns
19 % in A. A is nxm
20 % g : contains n elements
21 % b : contains m elements
22 % Q_old and T_old : is the QT-factorization of the QP which has just been
23 % solved
24 % (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***. The
25 % T part of the QT-factorization is lower triangular
26 % L_old : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
27 % matrix of the QP just solved (see ***).
28 % colrem : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
29 % from A.
30 %
31 % Output parameters
32 % x : is the optimized point
33 % u : is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
34 % Q_new and T_new : is the QT-factorization of A
35 % L_new : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
36 % matrix.
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43 [nA,mA] = size(A);
44 [nT,mT] = size(T_old);
45
46 dimNulSpace = nA-mA;
47
48 Q_new = Q_old;
49 T_new = T_old;
50 L_new = L_old;
51 if isempty(Q_old) && isempty(T_old) && isempty(L_old)
52 %disp('complete factorization');
53 [Q,R] = qr(A);
54 Itilde = flipud(eye(nA));
55 T_new = Itilde*R;
56 Q_new = Q*Itilde;
57 Q1 = Q_new(:,1:dimNulSpace);
58 Gz = Q1'*G*Q1;
59 L_new = chol(Gz)';
60 elseif mT < mA % new column has been appended to A
61 % disp('append update');
62 [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q_old, T_old, L_old,
63 A(:,end));
64 elseif mT > mA% column has been removed from A at index colrem
65 % disp('remove update');
66 [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q_old, T_old, L_old,
67 G, colrem);
68 end
69
70 Q1 = Q_new(:,1:dimNulSpace);
71 Q2 = Q_new(:,dimNulSpace+1:nA);
72 T_newMark = T_new(dimNulSpace+1:end,:);
73 py = T_newMark'\b;
74 gz = -(G*(Q2*py) + g)'*Q1';
75 z = L_new\gz;
76 pz = L_new'\z;
77 x = Q2*py + Q1*pz;
78 u = ((G*x + g)'*Q2)';
79 u = T_newMark\u;

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null_space_update_fact_app_col.m

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1 function [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q, T, L, colnew)
2 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_COL updates the QT-factorization of A when a
3 % single column colnew is appended to A as the last column. The resulting
4 % constraint matrix is Abar = [A colnew]. The corresponding QP problem has a
5 % reduced Hessian
6 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is L.old.
7 % Call

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8 % [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q, T, L, col_new)
9 %
10 % Input parameters
11 % Q and T : is the QT-factorization of A
12 % L : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
13 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
14 % col_new : is the column that is appended to A: Abar = [A
15 % col_new]
16 %
17 % Output parameters
18 % Q and T : is the QT-factorization of Abar
19 % L : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
20 % matrix of the new QP problem.
21 %
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27 % Date : 08. february 2007.
28 % Reference : -
29 %
30 [n,m] = size(T);
31 dimNullSpace = n - m;
32 wv = (col_new'*Q)';
33 for i = 1:dimNullSpace-1
34     j = i+1;
35     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(wv(i),wv(j));
36     temp = wv(i)*c + wv(j)*s;
37     wv(j) = wv(j)*c - wv(i)*s;
38     wv(i) = temp;
39     temp = Q(:,i)*c + Q(:,j)*s;
40     Q(:,j) = Q(:,j)*c - Q(:,i)*s;
41     Q(:,i) = temp;
42     temp = L(i,:)*c + L(j,:)*s;
43     L(j,:) = L(j,:)*c - L(i,:)*s;
44     L(i,:) = temp;
45 end
46 for i = 1:dimNullSpace-1
47     j = i+1;
48     [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L(i,i),L(i,j));
49     temp = L(:,i)*c - L(:,j)*s;
50     L(:,j) = L(:,j)*c + L(:,i)*s;
51     L(:,i) = temp;
52 end
53 T = [T wv];
54 L = L(1:dimNullSpace-1,1:dimNullSpace-1);

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null_space_update_fact_rem_col.m

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1 function [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q, T, L, G, col_rem)
2 % NULL_SPACEUPDATEFACT_REMCOL updates the QT-factorization of A when a
3 % column is removed from A at column-index col_rem. The new Constraint matrix
4 % is called Abar.
5 % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
6 % cholesky factorization
7 % of redH is L.
8 %
9 % Call
10 % [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q, T, L, G, col_rem)
11 %
12 % Input parameters
13 % Q and T : is the QT-factorization of A
14 % L : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
15 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
16 % G : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem.
17 % col_rem : is the column-index at which a column has been
18 % removed from A
19 %
20 % Output parameters
21 % Q and T : is the QT-factorization of Abar
22 % L : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
23 % matrix of the new QP problem.
24 %
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25 % Reference : -----
26 [n,m] = size(T);
27 dimNulSpace = n-m;
28 j = colrem;
29 mm = m-j;
30 nn = mm+1;
31
32
33
34 for i=1:1:mm
35 idx1 = nn-i;
36 idx2 = idx1+1;
37 [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+i),T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j+i));
38 temp = T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end)*c + T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end)*s;
39 T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end) = -T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end)*s + T(
40 dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end)*c;
41 T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end) = temp;
42 temp = Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1)*c + Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2)*s;
43 Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2) = -Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1)*s + Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2)*c;
44 Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1) = temp;
45 end
46 T = [T(:,1:j-1) T(:,j+1:end)];
47 z = Q(:,dimNulSpace+1);
48 l = L\((G*z)'*Q(:,1:dimNulSpace))';
49 delta = sqrt(z'*G*z-1'*1);
50 L = [L zeros(dimNulSpace,1); 1' delta];

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null_space_updateFRFX.m

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1 function [x,u,Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr,G,A,g,b,
2 dim_fx,colrem)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FRFX uses the same procedure as NULL_SPACE_UPDATE for
4 % solving f(x)=0.5*x'Gx+g'x st: A'x=b,
5 % (so please take a look at it). The difference is that NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FRFX
6 % takes advantage of the fact that some of the active constraints
7 % are bounds (usually). An active bound correspond to one fixed variable. This
8 % means that x can be devideed into [x_free, x_fixed]
9 % where x_free are those variables which are free. The part of the
10 % factorizations which correspond to the fixed variables can not be changes
11 % (as they are fixed) and this means that we are only required to
12 % refactorize the part which correspond to the free variables.
13 %
14 % *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a seqence of equality
15 % constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
16 % following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint or one
17 % removed constraint
18 %
19 % Call
20 % [x,u,Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr,G,A,g,b,
21 % dim_fx,colrem)
22 %
23 % Input parameters
24 % G : is the Hessian matrix of f(x). G is nxn
25 % A : is the constraint matrix which only contains active
26 % general constraints (the bound-constraints has been removed).
27 % The dimension of A is nxm_fr (n is number
28 % of variables and m_fr is the number of
29 % active general constraints)
30 % g : is the gradient of f(x) and the dimension is nx1
31 % b : contains the max values of the constraints (both
32 % general and an bound constraints) and therefore
33 % the dimension is
34 % (m_fr+mfy)x1.
35 % Q_fr and T_fr are the free part of the QT-factorization of the part of
36 % the QP which has just been solved
37 % (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***. The
38 % T part of the QT-factorization is lower triangular
39 % L_old : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
40 % matrix of the QP just solved (see ***).
41 % colrem : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
42 % from A (if a constraint has been appended this
43 % variable is unused.
44 %
45 % Q_old, T_old, L_old and colrem can be empty [] which means that The QP
46 % is the first one in the sequence (see ***).
47 % dim_fx : number of fixed variables
48 %

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41 % Output parameters
42 % x : is the solution
43 % u : is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
44 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A corresponding to the
45 % free variables.
46 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced
47 % Hessian matrix.
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55
55 [nT mT] = size(T_fr);
56 [nA mA] = size(A);
57 dim_fx_old = nA-nT;
58
59 if isempty(A) % nothing to factorize
60 % disp('A is empty')
61 C = eye(dim_fx);
62 C = [zeros(length(g)-dim_fx, dim_fx); C];
63 [x u] = nullspace(G, C, g, b);
64 Q_fr = []; T_fr = []; L_fr = []; A_fx = [];
65
66 elseif isempty(T_fr) || ((mA == mT) && (dim_fx == dim_fx_old)) % complete
67 % factorization
68 % disp('complete factorization')
69 A_fr = A(1:end-dim_fx,:);
70 [n m] = size(A_fr);
71 G_frfr = G(1:,1:n);
72 dns = n-m;
73 [Q,R] = qr(A_fr);
74 Itilde = flipud(eye(n));
75 T_fr = Itilde*R;
76 Q_fr = Q*Itilde;
77 Qz = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
78 Gz = Qz'*G_frfr*Qz;
79 L_fr = chol(Gz);
80 A_fx = A(end-dim_fx+1:end,:);
81 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
82
82 elseif mA > mT % one general constraint has been appended
83 % disp('append general constraint')
84 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = nullspace_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
85 L_fr, A(:,end));
86 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
87 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
88 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
88 elseif mA < mT % one general constraint has been removed at indx col_rem
89 % disp('remove general constraint')
90 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
91 G_frfr = G(1:dim_fr,1:dim_fr);
92 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = nullspace_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
93 L_fr, G_frfr, col_rem);
94 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
95 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
95
96 elseif dim_fx > dim_fx_old % one bound has been appended
97 % disp('append bound')
98 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = nullspace_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
99 );
100 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
101 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
102 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
102
103 elseif dim_fx < dim_fx_old % one bound has been removed
104 % disp('remove bound')
105 [nT mT] = size(T_fr);
106 dns = nT-mT;
107 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
108 T_fr = [T_fr; A(nT+1,:)];
109 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = nullspace_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
110 , G);
111 A_fx = A(nT+2:end,:);
112 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
112
113 end
114 function [x_new u_new] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b)
115 % disp('help_fun')
116 [nT,mT] = size(T_fr);
117 dns = nT-mT;
118 dim_fr = nT;
119 dim_fx = length(g)-dim_fr;
120 Q1 = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
121 Q2 = Q_fr(:,dns+1:nT);

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122 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
123 b_fr = b(dim_fx+1:end);
124 x_fx = b(1:dim_fx);
125 if dim_fx
126     temp = (x_fx'*A_fx)';
127     b_fr = b_fr-temp;
128 end
129 py = T_fr'\b_fr;
130 G_frfr = G(1:dim_fr,1:dim_fr);
131 g_fr = g(1:dim_fr);
132 gz = -((G_frfr*(Q2*py) + g_fr)'*Q1)';
133 z = L_fr\gz;
134 pz = L_fr'\z;
135 x_fr = Q2*py + Q1*pz;
136 %compute Lagrangian multipliers
137 c = G*[x_fr;x_fx] + g;
138 c_fr = c(1:dim_fr);
139 c_fx = c(dim_fr+1:end);
140 Y_fr = Q_fr(1:dim_fr,dns+1:dim_fr);
141 u_I = T_fr\c_fr'*Y_fr';
142 u_B = c_fx-A_fx*u_I;
143 x_new = [x_fr;x_fx];
144 u_new = [u_B;u_I];

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null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX.m

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1 function [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr,
2 T_fr, L_fr, col_new)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_GENERAL_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of A
4 % when a
5 % general constraint: col_new is appended to A as the last column. The
6 % resulting
7 % constraint matrix is Abar = [A col_new]. The corresponding QP problem has a
8 % reduced Hessian
9 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is L_fr. It is only
10 % the part corresponding to the free variables which are updated (the fixed
11 % part are not changing)
12 % Call
13 % [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr
14 % , L_fr, col_new)
15 %
16 % Input parameters:
17 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A (the part
18 % corresponding to the free variables)
19 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
20 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
21 % col_new : is the general constraint that is appended to A: Abar
22 % = [A col_new]
23 %
24 % Output parameters
25 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of Abar(the part
26 % corresponding to the free variables)
27 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
28 % matrix of the new QP problem.
29 %
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35 % Date : 08. february 2007.
36 % Reference :
37 %
38 [n,m] = size(T_fr);
39 dns = n-m;
40 Z_fr = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
41 Y_fr = Q_fr(:,dns+1:end);
42 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
43 a_fr = col_new(1:n);
44 wv = (a_fr'*Q_fr)';
45 w = wv(1:dns);
46 v = wv(dns+1:end);
47 for i = 1:length(w)-1
48     j = i+1;
49     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(w(i),w(j));
50
51     temp = w(i)*c + w(j)*s;
52     w(j) = -w(i)*s + w(j)*c;
53     w(i) = temp;
54
55 end

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46      temp = Z_fr(:, i)*c + Z_fr(:, j)*s;
47      Z_fr(:, j) = -Z_fr(:, i)*s + Z_fr(:, j)*c;
48      Z_fr(:, i) = temp;
49
50      temp = L_fr(i,:)*c + L_fr(j,:)*s;
51      L_fr(j,:) = -L_fr(i,:)*s + L_fr(j,:)*c;
52      L_fr(i,:) = temp;
53
54 end
55 gamma = w(end);
56 T_fr = [zeros(1, size(T_fr, 2)) gamma; T_fr v];
57 L_fr = L_fr(1:end-1,:);
58 [nn mm] = size(L_fr);
59 for i=1:1:mm
60     j=i+1;
61     [c, s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L_fr(i, i), L_fr(i, j));
62
63     temp = L_fr(:, i)*c - L_fr(:, j)*s;
64     L_fr(:, j) = L_fr(:, i)*s + L_fr(:, j)*c;
65     L_fr(:, i) = temp;
66 end
67 Q_fr = [Z_fr Y_fr];
68 T_fr = [zeros(dns-1, size(T_fr, 2)); T_fr];
69 L_fr = L_fr(:, 1:dns-1);

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null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX.m

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1 function [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX(Q_fr,
2 T_fr, L_fr, G_frf, j)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACTREM_GENERAL_FRFX updates the QT-factorization
4 % corresponding to the free variables of A when a
5 % general constraint is removed from A at column-index j. The new Constraint
6 % matrix is called Abar.
7 % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
8 % cholesky factorization
9 % of redH is L_fr.
10 %
11 % Call
12 % [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
13 % , G_frf, col_rem)
14 %
15 % Input parameters
16 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A (the part
17 % corresponding to the free variables)
18 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
19 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem (the part
20 % corresponding to the free variables).
21 % G_frf : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem (the part
22 % corresponding to the free variables).
23 % col_rem : is the column-index at which a general constraint has
24 % been removed from A
25 %
26 % Output parameters
27 % Q_new and T_new : is the QT-factorization of Abar(the part
28 % corresponding to the free variables).
29 % L_new : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
30 % matrix of the new QP problem (the part
31 % corresponding to the free variables).
32 %
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39 % Reference : -
40
41 [n,m] = size(T_fr);
42 dns = n-m;
43 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
44 T11 = T_fr(m-j+2:m, 1:j-1);
45 N = T_fr(1:m-j+1, j+1:end);
46 M = T_fr(m-j+2:end, j+1:end);
47 Q1 = Q_fr(:, 1:dns);
48 Q21 = Q_fr(:, dns+1:n-j+1);
49 Q22 = Q_fr(:, n-j+2:end);
50 [nn mm] = size(N);
51 for i=1:1:mm

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45     idx1 = nn-i;
46     idx2 = idx1+1;
47     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(N(idx1,i),N(idx2,i));
48
49     temp = N(idx1,:)*c + N(idx2,:)*s;
50     N(idx2,:) = -N(idx1,:)*s + N(idx2,:)*c;
51     N(idx1,:) = temp;
52
53     temp = Q21(:,idx1)*c + Q21(:,idx2)*s;
54     Q21(:,idx2) = -Q21(:,idx1)*s + Q21(:,idx2)*c;
55     Q21(:,idx1) = temp;
56
57 end
58 N = N(2:end,:);
59 Tnew = [ zeros(nn-1,j-1) N; T11 M];
60 Tnew = [ zeros(dns+1,m-1); Tnew ];
61 Qnew = [Q1 Q21 Q22];
62 z = Qnew(:,dns+1);
63 l = Lfr \((Gfrfr*z)'*Q1)';
64 delta = sqrt(z'*Gfrfr*z-1'*1);
65 Lnew = [ Lfr zeros(dns,1); l' delta ];

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null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX.m

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1 function [Qfr, Tfr, Lfr] = null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Qfr, Tfr,
2 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_BOUND_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of A when
3 % a
4 % bound is appended to the constraint matrix. The corresponding QP problem has
5 % a reduced Hessian
6 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is Lfr. The
7 % QT-factorization correspond to the the general constraint matrix and only
8 % the part corresponding to the free variables.
9 %
10 % Call
11 % [Qfr, Tfr, Lfr] = null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Qfr, Tfr,
12 % Lfr)
13 %
14 % Input parameters
15 % Qfr and Tfr : is the QT-factorization of A, (A is the general
16 % constraint matrix and only the part
17 % corresponding to the free variables)
18 % Lfr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
19 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
20 %
21 % Output parameters
22 % Qfr and Tfr : is the QT-factorization of the general constraint
23 % matrix for the part corresponding to the free
24 % variables.
25 % Lfr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
26 % matrix of the new QP problem.
27 %
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33 % Date : 08. february 2007.
34 %
35 % Reference :
36 %
37 [n,m] = size(Tfr);
38 dns = n-m;
39 q = Qfr(end,:)' ;
40 TL = zeros(n);
41 TL(1:dns,1:dns) = Lfr;
42 TL(:,dns+1:end) = Tfr;
43 for i = 1:length(q)-1
44     j = i+1;
45     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(q(i),q(j));
46
47     temp = q(i)*c + q(j)*s;
48     q(j) = -q(i)*s + q(j)*c;
49     q(i) = temp;
50
51     temp = Qfr(:,i)*c + Qfr(:,j)*s;
52     Qfr(:,j) = -Qfr(:,i)*s + Qfr(:,j)*c;
53     Qfr(:,i) = temp;
54
55     temp = TL(i,:)*c + TL(j,:)*s;
56     TL(j,:) = -TL(i,:)*s + TL(j,:)*c;
57     TL(i,:) = temp;

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50   end
51   Q_fr = Q_fr(1:end-1,1:end-1);
52   T_fr = TL(1:end-1,dns+1:end);
53   L_new = TL(1:dns-1,1:dns);
54   [nn mm] = size(L_new);
55   for i=1:1:nn
56     j=i+1;
57     [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L_new(i,i),L_new(i,j));
58     temp = L_new(:,i)*c - L_new(:,j)*s;
59     L_new(:,j) = L_new(:,i)*s + L_new(:,j)*c;
60     L_new(:,i) = temp;
61   end
62   L_fr = L_new(:,1:end-1);
63
64

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null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX.m

```

1 function [Q_fr , T_fr , L_fr ] = null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX ( Q_fr , T_fr ,
2   L_fr , G )
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACTREMBOUND_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of the
4 % general constraint matrix (and only the part
5 % corresponding to the free variables) when a bound is removed.
6 % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
7 % cholesky factorization
8 % of redH is L.old .
9
10 % Call
11 % [ Q_fr , T_fr , L_fr ] = null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX ( Q_fr , T_fr ,
12 %   L_fr , G )
13
14 % Input parameters
15 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of the constraint matrix (and
16 % only the part corresponding to the free variables).
17 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
18 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
19 % G : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem.
20
21 % Output parameters
22 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of the new general
23 % constraint matrix (and only the part
24 % corresponding to the free variables)
25 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
26 % matrix of the new QP problem.
27
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34 % Reference :
35
36 n = size(Q_fr,1);
37 m = size(T_fr,1)-1;
38 dns = n-m;
39 G_frfr = G(1:n,1:n);
40 Z_fr = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
41 Y_fr = Q_fr(:,dns+1:end);
42 [nn mm] = size(T_fr);
43 Y_fr = [ Y_fr zeros(size(Y_fr,1),1); zeros(1,size(Y_fr,2)) 1];
44 for i=1:1:mm
45   idx1 = nn-i;
46   idx2 = idx1+1;
47   [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(T_fr(idx1,i),T_fr(idx2,i));
48   temp = T_fr(idx1,:)*c + T_fr(idx2,:)*s;
49   T_fr(idx2,:) = -T_fr(idx1,:)*s + T_fr(idx2,:)*c;
50   T_fr(idx1,:) = temp;
51   temp = Y_fr(:,idx1)*c + Y_fr(:,idx2)*s;
52   Y_fr(:,idx2) = -Y_fr(:,idx1)*s + Y_fr(:,idx2)*c;
53   Y_fr(:,idx1) = temp;
54 end
55 T_fr = T_fr(2:end,:);
56 Z_fr = [ Z_fr ; zeros(1,size(Z_fr,2)) ];
57 Q_fr = [ Z_fr Y_fr ];
58 T_fr = [ zeros(size(Z_fr,2)+1,size(T_fr,2)) ; T_fr ];
59 Z_fr_bar = Q_fr(:,1:n-m+1);

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54 Z_fr = Z_fr_bar(1:end-1,1:end-1);
55 z = Z_fr_bar(1:end-1,end);
56 rho = Z_fr_bar(end,end);
57 h = G(1:n,n+1);
58 omega = G(n+1,n+1);
59 l = L_fr \((G_frfr*z+rho*h)'*Z_fr)';
60 delta = sqrt(z'*(G_frfr*z+2*rho*h)+omega*rho-l'*l);
61 L_fr = [L_fr zeros(size(L_fr,1),1); l' delta];
```

D.5 Demos

QP_demo.m

```

1  function QP_demo(method , funtoplot)
2
3 % QP_DEMO Interactive demonstration of the primal active set and
4 % the dual active set methods.
5 %
6 % Call
7 %   QP_demo(method , funtoplot)
8 %
9 % Input parameter
10 %   method : Demonstrating the primal active set method.
11 %             'dual' : Demonstrating the dual active set method.
12 %   funtoplot : 'objective' : Plotting the objective function.
13 %                 'lagrangian' : Plotting the Lagrangian function.
14 %
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19 % Supervisor : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor.
20 %               Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
21 % Date : 07. June 2007.
22
23 %%%%%%
24 % Check nargin/nargout
25 %%%%%%
26 error(nargchk(2,2,nargin)) %%
27 error(nargoutchk(0,0,nargout)) %%
28 % Check input
29 %%%%%%
30 % check method...
31 if ~strcmp(method,'primal') & ~strcmp(method,'dual')
32     error('Method must be ''primal'' or ''dual'''')
33 end
34 % check funtoplot...
35 ftp = 0; % plot objective function
36 if ~strcmp(funtoplot,'objective') & ~strcmp(funtoplot,'lagrangian')
37     error('Funtoplot must be ''objective'' or ''lagrangian'''')
38 elseif strcmp(funtoplot , 'lagrangian')
39     ftp = 1; % plot lagrangian
40 end
41 %%%%%%
42 % Setup and run demo
43 %%%%%%
44 % Setup demo...
45 G = [1 0;0 1];
46 g = [0 0];
47 A = [0.5 1;
48      0 1;
49      2 1.75;
50      3 -1;
51      1 0];
52 b = [3 1 8.5 3 2.2]';
53 % Run demo...
54 if strcmp(method , 'primal')
55     primal_active_set_demo(G,g,A',b,ftp)
56 else
57     dual_active_set_demo(G,g,A',b,ftp)
58 end
59 %%%%%%
60 % Auxilery function(s)
61 %%%%%%
62
63 function primal_active_set_demo(G,g,A,b,ftp)
64 % initialize ...
65 [n,m] = size(A);
66 At = A';
67 w_non = 1:m;
68 w_act = [];
69 mu = zeros(m,1);
70 % initialize options...
71 tol = sqrt(eps);
72 it_max = 100;
73 % initialize counters and containers...
74 it = 0;
75 X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max);
76 % plot...
77 x = active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,[],mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20 50 100 tol ftp]);
78 X(:,1) = x;

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79 % check feasibility of x...
80 i_b = find(At*x - b < -tol);
81 if ~isempty(i_b)
82     disp(['Following constraint(s) violated, because A*x<=b:'])
83     fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_b),'\n'])
84     error('Starting point for primal active set method is not feasible, run demo again.')
85 end
86 % iterate ...
87 stop = 0;
88 while ~stop
89     it = it + 1;
90     if it >= it_max
91         disp('No. of iterations steps exceeded.')
92         stop = 2; % maximum no iterations exceeded
93     end
94     % call range/null space procedure ...
95     mu = zeros(m,1);
96     [p,mu_act] = null_space_demo(G,A(:,w_act),G*x+g,zeros(length(w_act),1));
97     mu(w_act) = mu_act;
98     % plot ...
99     active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,X(:,1:it),mu,w_act,[-4 -8;-4 8],[20 20 50 100 tol
100     ftp]);
101    disp('Press any key to continue... ')
102    pause
103    % check if solution found ...
104    if norm(p) <= tol
105        if mu >= -tol
106            stop = 1; % solution found
107            disp('Solution found by primal active set method, demo terminated.')
108        else
109            % compute index j of bound/constraint to be removed...
110            [dummy,j] = min(mu);
111            w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % remove constraint j from active
112            set
113            w_non = [w_non j]; % append constraint j to nonactive setfunction
114        end
115    else
116        % compute step length and index j of bound/constraint to be appended...
117        alpha = 1;
118        for app = w_non
119            ap = At(app,:)*p; % At(app,:) = A(:,app)'
120            if ap < -tol
121                temp = (b(app) - At(app,:)*x)/ap;
122                if -tol < temp & temp < alpha
123                    alpha = temp; % smallest step length
124                    j = app; % index j of bound to be appended
125                end
126            end
127            if alpha < 1
128                % make constrained step...
129                x = x + alpha*p;
130                w_act = [w_act j]; % append constraint j to active set
131                w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % remove constraint j from
132                nonactive set
133            else
134                % make full step...
135                x = x + p;
136            end
137            X(:,it+1) = x;
138            % plot...
139            if stop
140                %disp('Press any key to continue... ')
141                %pause
142                active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,X(:,1:it+1),mu,w_act,[-4 -8;-4 8],[20 20 50
143                100 tol ftp]);
144                disp('Press any key to continue... ')
145            end
146        function dual_active_set_demo(G,g,A,b,ftp)
147        % initialize ...
148        [n,m] = size(A);
149        C = A;
150        w_non = 1:m;
151        w_act = [];
152        x = -G\g; x = x(:);
153        mu = zeros(m,1);
154        % initialize options ...
155        tol = sqrt(eps);
156        max_itr = 100;
157        % initialize counters and containers ...
158        it = 0;
159    end

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160 it_draw = 1;
161 X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,max_itr);
162 % plot...
163 active_set_plot(G,C',g,b,x,mu,w_act,[ -4 -8;-4 -8],[20 20 50 100 tol ftp]);
164 disp('Press any key to continue... ')
165 pause
166 X(:,1) = x;
167 % iterate...
168 stop = 0;
169 while ~stop
170     c = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
171     if c >= -tol;
172         stop = 1;
173         %disp('STOP: all inactive constraints >= 0')
174         disp('Solution found by dual active set method, demo_terminated.')
175     else
176         % we find the least negative value of c
177         c_r = max(c(find(c < -sqrt(eps))));
178         r = find(c == c_r);
179         r = r(1);
180     end
181     it = it + 1;
182     if it >= max_itr
183         disp('No. of iterations steps exceeded (outer-loop).')
184         stop = 3; % maximum no iterations exceeded
185     end
186     % iterate...
187     it2 = 0;
188     stop2 = max(0,stop);
189     while ~stop2
190         it2 = it2 + 1;
191         if it2 >= max_itr
192             disp('No. of iterations steps exceeded (inner-loop).')
193             stop = 3;
194             stop2 = stop;
195         end
196         % call range/null space procedure...
197         [p,v] = nullspace_demo(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(length(w_act),1));
198         if isempty(v)
199             v = [];
200         end
201         arp = C(:,r)*p;
202         if abs(arp) <= tol % linear dependency
203             if v >= 0 % solution does not exist
204                 disp('Problem is infeasible, demo_terminated.')
205                 stop = 2;
206                 stop2 = stop;
207             else
208                 t = inf;
209                 for k = 1:length(v)
210                     if v(k) < 0
211                         temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
212                         if temp < t
213                             t = temp;
214                             rem = k;
215                         end
216                     end
217                 end
218                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t*v;
219                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t;
220                 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= w_act(rem)));
221             end
222         else
223             % stepsize in dual space...
224             t1 = inf;
225             for k = 1:length(v)
226                 if v(k) < 0
227                     temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
228                     if temp < t1
229                         t1 = temp;
230                         rem = k;
231                     end
232                 end
233             end
234             % stepsize in primal space...
235             t2 = -constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu)/arp;
236             if t2 <= t1
237                 x = x + t2*p;
238                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t2*v;
239                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t2;
240                 w_act = [w_act r];
241             else
242                 x = x + t1*p;
243                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t1*v;
244                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t1;
245                 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= w_act(rem)));
246             end

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247     end
248     c_r = constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu);
249     if c_r > -tol
250         stop2 = 1; % leaves the inner while-loop but does not stop the
251         algorithm
252     end
253     it_draw = it_draw + 1;
254     X(:,it_draw) = x;
255     %plot...
256     if ~stop
257         active_set_plot(G,C',g,b,X(:,1:it_draw),mu,w_act,[-4 -8;-4 -8],[20 20
258             50 100 tol ftp]);
259         disp('Press any key to continue... ')
260         pause
261     end
262 end % while
263
264 function [x,mu] = null_space_demo(G,A,g,b)
265 % initialize...
266 [n m] = size(A);
267 % QR factorization of A so that A = [Y Z]*[R 0] ...
268 [Q,R] = qr(A); % matlab's implementation
269 Y = Q(:,1:m);
270 Z = Q(:,m+1:n);
271 R = R(1:m,:);
272 Zt = Z';
273 % Solve for the range space component py...
274 py = R'\b;
275 % Compute the reduced gradient...
276 gz = Zt*(G*(Y*py) + g);
277 % Compute the reduced Hessian and compute its Cholesky factorization...
278 Gz = Zt*G*Z;
279 L = chol(Gz)';
280 % Solve for the null space component pz...
281 pz = L'\gz;
282 % Compute the solution...
283 x = Y*py + Z*pz;
284 % Compute the Lagrange multipliers...
285 mu = R\((Y'*(G*x) + g));
286
287 function f = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
288 f = x'*G*x + g'*x;
289
290 function c = constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
291 c = A'*x - b;
292
293 function l = lagrangian(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
294 L = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu) - mu'*constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu);

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active_set_plot.m

```

1 function [x,w_act] = active_set_plot(G,A,g,b,x,mu,w_act,D,opts)
2
3 % ACTIVE_SET_PLOT Plotting the objective or the Lagrangian function and the
4 % constraints with feasible regions. The constraints must on the form
5 % A*x >= b. Can only plot for three dimensions.
6 %
7 % Call
8 % active_set_plot(G, A, g, b, x, mu, wa, D)
9 % active_set_plot(G, A, g, b, x, mu, wa, D, opts)
10 % [x,wa] = active_set_plot( ... )
11 %
12 % Input parameters
13 % G : The Hessian of the objective function.
14 % A : The constraint matrix of size mx2, where m is the number of
15 % constraints.
16 % g : Coefficients of linear term in objective function.
17 % b : Righthandside of constraints.
18 % x : Starting point. If x is a matrix of size 2xn, n = 1,2,3,...,
19 % then the iteration path is plotted. If x is empty, the user will
20 % be asked to enter a starting point.
21 % mu : The Lagrangian multipliers. If mu is empty, all multipliers will
22 % be set to zero.
23 % wa : Working set listing the active constraints. If wa is empty, then
24 % a constraint will be found as active, if x is within a range of
25 % opts(5) to that constraint.
26 % D : Domain to be plotted, given as [x1(1) x1(2); x2(1) x2(2)].
27 % opts : Vector with six elements.

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28 %           opts(1:2) : Number of grid points in the first and second
29 %                           direction.
30 %           opts(3)   : Number of contour levels.
31 %           opts(4)   : Number of linearly spaced points used for plotting
32 %                           the constraints.
33 %           opts(5)   : A constraint will be found as active, if x is
34 %                           within a range of opts(5) to that constraint.
35 %           opts(6)   : 0: Plotting the contours of the objective function.
36 %                           1: Plotting the contours of the Lagrangian function.
37 % If opts not, then the default opts = [20 20 50 100 sqrt.eps) 0].
38 %
39 % Output parameters
40 %   x : Same as input x. If input x is empty, then the starting point
41 %       entered by the user.
42 %   w : Same as input w_act. If input w_act is empty, then the list of
43 %       active constraint found upon the input/entered starting point.
44 %
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46 % In course  : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
47 %               Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
48 % Supervisor  : John Bagterp J\o rgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove Thomsen,
49 %               Professor.
50 % Date        : 28th January 2007.
51 %
52 % checking input...
53 error(nargchk(8,9,nargin))
54 A = A';
55 [n,m] = size(A);
56 if isempty(mu)
57   mu = zeros(m,1);
58 end
59 [u,v] = size(D);
60 if u ~= 2 | v ~= 2
61   error('The domain must be a matrix of size 2x2.')
62 end
63 if nargin > 8
64   [u,v] = size(opts(:));
65   if u ~= 6 | v ~= 1
66     error('Opts must be a vector of length 6.')
67   end
68 end
69
70 % default opts...
71 if nargin < 9 | isempty(opts)
72   opts = [20 20 20 20 sqrt.eps) 0];%[20 20 50 100 sqrt.eps) 0];
73 end
74
75 % function to plot...
76 fun = @objective;
77 if opts(6)
78   fun = @lagrangian;
79 end
80
81 % internal parameters...
82 fsize = 12; % font size
83
84 % plot the contours of the objective or the Lagrangian function...
85 figure(1), clf
86 contourplot(fun,G,A,g,b,mu,D,opts)
87 xlabel('x1','FontSize',fsize)
88 ylabel('x2','FontSize',fsize)
89 hold on
90
91 % plot the constraints...
92 if nargout & isempty(x)
93   constplot(@constraints ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act ,m,opts ,fsize)
94   %title('x = ( , ), f(x) = , W\mu = [] , \mu = [] ','FontSize',fsize)
95   % ask user to enter starting point...
96   while isempty(x)
97     disp('Left click on plot to select starting point or press any key to -')
98     disp('enter starting point in console.')
99     [u,v,but] = ginput(1);
100    if but == 1
101      x = [u v];
102    else
103      while isempty(x) | length(x) ~= 2 | sum(isnan(x)) | sum(isinf(x)) |
104        sum(~isreal(x)) | ischar(x)
105        x = input('Enter starting point [x1 x2]: ');
106      end
107    end
108    x = x(:,1);
109    figure(1)
110    % find active constraints...
111    if nargout > 1
112      w_act = find(abs(A(2,:))*x(2) + feval(@constraints ,G,A(1,:),g,b,x(1),mu
113 ) <= opts(5)); % A(2)*x2 + (A(1)*x1 - b) <= eps

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112 if w_act
113   constplot (@constraints ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act ,m,opts ,fsize)
114 end
115 title ([ 'x=' , num2str (x(1,end) ,2) , ',' , 'x=' , num2str (x(2,end) ,2) , ',' , 'f(x)='
116   , num2str (objective (G,A,g,b,x(:,end),mu) ,2) , ',' , 'W_act=[', int2str (w_act) ,
117   ', mu=[', num2str (mu' ,2) , ',' , ']' , 'FontSize' ,fsize)
118 end
119 elseif isempty (w_act)
120   w_act = find (abs (A(2,:) '*x(2) + feval (@constraints ,G,A(1,:),g,b,x(1),
121   mu)) <= opts (5)); % A(2)*x2 + (A(1)*x1 - b) <= eps
122 end
123 constplot (@constraints ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act ,m,opts ,fsize)
124 title ([ 'x=' , num2str (x(1,end) ,2) , ',' , 'x=' , num2str (x(2,end) ,2) , ',' , 'f(x)='
125   , num2str (objective (G,A,g,b,x(:,end),mu) ,2) , ',' , 'W_act=[', int2str (w_act) ,
126   ', mu=[', num2str (mu' ,2) , ',' , ']' , 'FontSize' ,fsize)
127 end
128
129 % plot the path...
130 pathplot (x)
131 hold off
132
133 function contplot (fun ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,opts )
134 [X1,X2] = meshgrid (linspace (D(1,1) ,D(1,2) ,opts (1)) ,linspace (D(2,1) ,D(2,2) ,opts
135 (2)));
136 F = zeros (opts (1:2));
137 for i = 1:opts (1)
138   for j = 1:opts (2)
139     F(i,j) = norm (feval (fun ,G,A,g,b,[ X1(i,j); X2(i,j) ] ,mu) ,2);
140   end
141 end
142 contour (X1,X2,F,opts (3))
143
144 function constplot (fun ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act ,m,opts ,fsize)
145 fcolor = [.4 .4 .4]; falpha = .4; % color and alpha values of faces marking
146 %unfeasible region
147 bcolor = [.8 .8 .8]; % background color of constraint numbering
148 x1 = linspace (D(1,1) ,D(1,2) ,opts (4));
149 x2 = linspace (D(2,1) ,D(2,2) ,opts (4));
150 C = zeros (m,opts (4));
151 for j = 1:opts (4)
152   for i = 1:m
153     if A(2,i) % if A(2) ~= 0
154       C(i,j) = -feval (fun ,G,A(1,i) ,g,b(i) ,x1(j) ,mu)/A(2,i); % x2 = -(A(1)*
155       *x1 - b)/A(2)
156     else
157       C(i,j) = b(i)/A(1,i); % A(2) = 0 => x1 = b/A(1), must be plotted
158       reversely as (C(i,:) ,x2)
159     end
160   end
161 end
162 for i = 1:m
163   if any (i == w_act)
164     lwidth = 1; color = [1 0 0]; % linewidth and color of active
165     constraints
166   else
167     lwidth = 1; color = [0 0 0]; % linewidth and color of inactive
168     constraints
169   end
170   if A(2,i) % if A(2) ~= 0
171     if A(2,i) > 0 % if A(2) > 0
172       fill ([D(1,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) D(1,1)] ,[C(i,1) C(i,end) min(D(2,1) ,C(i,
173       end) min(D(2,1) ,C(i,1))] ,fcolor , 'FaceAlpha' ,falpha)
174     else
175       fill ([D(1,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) D(1,1)] ,[C(i,1) C(i,end) max(D(2,2) ,C(i,
176       end) max(D(2,2) ,C(i,1))] ,fcolor , 'FaceAlpha' ,falpha)
177     end
178     plot (x1,C(i,:) , '-' , 'LineWidth' ,lwidth , 'Color' ,color)
179     if C(i,1) < D(1,1)% | C(i,1) < D(2,1)
180       text (-feval (fun ,G,A(2,i) ,g,b(i) ,D(2,1) ,mu)/A(1,i) ,D(2,1) ,int2str (i),
181       , 'Color' , 'k' , 'EdgeColor' ,color , 'BackgroundColor' ,bcolor ,
182       , 'FontSize' ,fsize) % x1 = -(A(2)*x2 - b)/A(1)
183     else
184       if C(i,1) > D(2,2)
185         text (-feval (fun ,G,A(2,i) ,g,b(i) ,D(2,1) ,mu)/A(1,i) ,D(2,1),
186         , int2str (i) , 'Color' , 'k' , 'EdgeColor' ,color , 'BackgroundColor'
187         , bcolor , 'FontSize' ,fsize) % x1 = -(A(2)*x2 - b)/A(1)
188       else
189         text (D(1,1) ,C(i,1) ,int2str (i) , 'Color' , 'k' , 'EdgeColor' ,color ,
190         , 'BackgroundColor' ,bcolor , 'FontSize' ,fsize)
191       end
192     end
193   end
194 else
195   if A(1,i) > 0 % if A(1) > 0
196     fill ([D(1,1) C(i,1) C(i,end) D(1,1)] ,[D(2,1) D(2,1) D(2,2) D(2,2) ] ,
197     ,fcolor , 'FaceAlpha' ,falpha)
198   else
199 
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180         fill([C(i,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) C(i,end)], [D(2,1) D(2,1) D(2,2) D(2,2)],
181             'fcolor', 'FaceAlpha', 'falpha)
182     end
183     plot(C(i,:),x2,'-', 'LineWidth', linewidth, 'Color', color)
184     text(C(i,1),D(2,1), int2str(i), 'Color', 'k', 'EdgeColor', color, 'FontSize', fsize)
185     'BackgroundColor', bcolor, 'FontSize', fsize)
186   end
187
188 function pathplot(x)
189 linewidth = 2; msize = 6;
190 plot(x(1,1),x(2,1), 'ob', 'LineWidth', linewidth, 'MarkerSize', msize) % starting
191 position
192 plot(x(1,:),x(2,:),'LineWidth', linewidth) % path
193 plot(x(1,end),x(2,end), 'og', 'LineWidth', linewidth, 'MarkerSize', msize) % current
194 position
195
196 function f = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
197 f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;
198
199 function c = constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
200 c = A*x - b;
201
202 function l = lagrangian(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
203 l = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu) - mu'*constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu);

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quad_tank_demo.m

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1 function quad_tank_demo(t,N,r,F,dF,gam,w,pd)
2 % QUAD-TANK-DEMO Demonstration of the quadruple tank process. The water
3 % levels in tank 1 and 2 are controlled according to the set points. The
4 % heights of all four tanks are 50 cm. The workspace is saved as
5 % 'quadruple-tank-process.mat' in current directory, so it is possible to
6 % run the animation again by calling quad_tank-animate without recomputing
7 % the setup.
8 % NOTE: A new call of quad_tank_demo will overwrite the saved workspace
9 %       'quadruple-tank-process.mat'. The file must be deleted manually.
10 %
11 %
12 % Call
13 %     quad_tank_demo(t,N,r,F,dF,gam,pd)
14 %
15 % Input parameters
16 % t : [min] Simulation time of tank process. 1 <= t <= 30. Default is
17 %      5. The time is plotted as seconds. The last discrete point is not
18 %      animated/plotter.
19 % N : Discretization of t. 5 <= N <= 100, must be an integer. Default
20 %      is 10. Number of variables is 6*N and number of constraints is
21 %      24*N.
22 % r : [cm] Set points of tank 1 and 2. 0 <= r(i) <= 50. Default is
23 %      [30 30].
24 % F : [1/min] Max flow rates of pump 1 and 2. 0 <= F(i) <= 1000.
25 %      Default is [500 500].
26 % dF : [1/min^2] Min/max change in flow rates of pump 1 and 2. -100 <= point
27 %      dF(i) <= 100. Default is [pump1 pump2] = [-50 50 -50 50].
28 % gam : Fraction of flow from pump 1 and 2 going directly to tank 1 and
29 %      2. 0 <= gam(i) <= 1. Default is [0.45 0.40].
30 % w : Setting priority of controlling water level in tank 1 and 2
31 %      relative to one another. 1 <= w(i) <= 1000. Default is [1 1].
32 % pd : 1: Using primal active set method, 2: Using dual active set
33 %      method. Default is 2.
34 %      If input parameters are empty, then default values are used.
35 %
36 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
37 % Check nargin/nargout
38 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
39 error(nargchk(7,8,nargin))
40 error(nargoutchk(0,0,nargout))
41 %
42 % Check input
43 %
44 % Check t...
45 if isempty(t)
46     t = 5*60; % t = min*sec
47 else
48     t = check_input(t,1,30,1)*60; % t = min*sec
49 end
50 % Check N...
51 if isempty(N)
52     N = 10;

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53     else
54         if mod(N,1)
55             error('N must be an integer.')
56         end
57         N = check_input(N,5,100,1);
58     end
59 % Check r...
60 if isempty(r)
61     r = [30 30];
62 else
63     r = check_input(r,0,50,2);
64 end
65 % Check F...
66 if isempty(F)
67     F = [500 500];
68 else
69     F = check_input(F,0,1000,2);
70 end
71 % Check dF...
72 if isempty(dF)
73     dF = [-50 50 -50 50];
74 else
75     dF = check_input(dF,-100,100,4);
76 end
77 % Check gam...
78 if isempty(gam)
79     gam = [0.45 0.4];
80 else
81     gam = check_input(gam,0,1,2);
82 end
83 % Check w...
84 if isempty(w)
85     w = [1 1];
86 else
87     w = check_input(w,1,1000,2);
88 end
89 % Check pd...
90 if nargin < 8 | isempty(pd)
91     pd = 2;
92 else
93     if mod(pd,1)
94         error('pd must be an integer.')
95     end
96     pd = check_input(pd,1,2,1);
97 end
98 % Startup info %
99 % Startup info %
100 % Startup info %
101 if N >= 30
102     cont = 'do';
103     while ~strcmp(lower(cont), 'y') & ~strcmp(lower(cont), 'n')
104         cont = input('N>=30, so computational time will be several minutes, -> do you want to continue? y/n: [y]: ','s');
105         if isempty(cont)
106             cont = 'y';
107             fprintf('\b')
108             disp('y')
109         end
110         %disp(' ')
111     end
112     if cont == 'n'
113         disp('Simulation terminated by user.')
114         return
115     end
116 end
117 disp(['N=',int2str(N),', so number of variables is ',int2str(6*N),', and -> number of constraints is ',int2str(24*N),'.'])
118 disp(['t=',num2str(t,2),', gam=[',num2str(gam,2),'], w=[',num2str(w,2),', .]'])
119 disp(['r=[',num2str(r),'], F=[',num2str(F,2),'], dF=[',num2str(dF,2),'].'])
120 disp('Computing simulation, please wait... ')
121 % Setup demo %
122 % UI %
123 % physics...
124 g = 5; % gravity is small due to linearized system
125 % time span and number of sampling points...
126 tspan = [0 t];%360;
127 % weights matrices...
128 Q = [w(1) 0; 0 w(2)]; % weight matrix, used in Q-norm, setting priority of h1
129 % and h2 relative to each other
130 Hw = 1e6; % weighing h1 and h2 (= Hw) in relation to h3, h4, u1 and u2 (= 1)
131 % pump 1...

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135 Fmin1 = 0; Fmax1 = F(1); % minmax flows
136 dFmin1 = dF(1); dFmax1 = dF(2); % minmax rate of change in flow
137 F10 = 0; % initial value
138 % pump 2...
139 Fmin2 = 0; Fmax2 = F(2); % minmax flows
140 dFmin2 = dF(3); dFmax2 = dF(4); % minmax rate of change in flow
141 F20 = 0; % initial value
142 % valve 1...
143 gam1 = gam(1);
144 % valve 2...
145 gam2 = gam(2);
146 % tank 1...
147 r1 = r(1); % set point
148 hmin1 = 0; hmax1 = 50; % minmax heights
149 h10 = 0; % initial value
150 % tank 2...
151 r2 = r(2); % set point
152 hmin2 = 0; hmax2 = 50; % minmax heights
153 h20 = 0; % initial value
154 % tank 3...
155 hmin3 = 0; hmax3 = 50; % minmax heights
156 h30 = 0; % initial value
157 % tank 4...
158 hmin4 = 0; hmax4 = 50; % minmax heights
159 h40 = 0; % initial value
160
161 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
162 % Initiate variables
163 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
164 % pumps
165 umin = [Fmin1 Fmin2]';
166 umax = [Fmax1 Fmax2]';
167 dumin = [dFmin1 dFmin2]';
168 dumax = [dFmax1 dFmax2]';
169 % valves...
170 gam = [gam1 gam2];
171 % tanks...
172 bmin = [hmin1 hmin2 hmin3 hmin4]';
173 bmax = [hmax1 hmax2 hmax3 hmax4]';
174 % set points...
175 r = [r1 r2]';
176 % initial values...
177 x0 = [h10 h20 h30 h40]';
178 %u0 = [F10 F20]';
179 u0minus1 = [F10 F20]';
180 Q = Hw*Q; % weight matrix, used in Q-norm, setting priority of h1 and h2
     relative to each other
181 dt = (tspan(2) - tspan(1))/N;
182
183 nx = length(x0);
184 nu = length(u0minus1);
185
186 a1 = 1.2272;
187 a2 = 1.2272;
188 a3 = 1.2272;
189 a4 = 1.2272;
190 A1 = 380.1327;
191 A2 = 380.1327;
192 A3 = 380.1327;
193 A4 = 380.1327;
194
195 Ac = 2*g*[-a1/A1 0 a3/A1 0;
196 0 -a2/A2 0 a4/A2;
197 0 0 -a3/A3 0;
198 0 0 0 -a4/A4];
199
200 Bc = [gam1/A1 0;
201 0 gam2/A2;
202 0 (1 - gam2)/A3;
203 (1 - gam1)/A4 0];
204
205 Cc = [1 0 0 0;
206 0 1 0 0];
207
208 %#####
209 % build the object function Hessian and gradient:
210 %#####
211
212 Qx = dt*Cc'*Q*Cc; % should this have non-zero
     elements in the diagonal??
213 Qx = add2mat(Qx, eye(2), 3, 3, 'rep'); % => ASSURES THAT HESSIAN IS POSITIVE
     DEFINITE
214 Qu = eye(nu); % only purpose is to make dimensions fit
     and to remain positive definite
215 %Qu = zeros(nu);
216 qx = -dt*Cc'*Q*x; % qk in text

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217 qu = zeros(2,1); % only purpose is to make
218 dimensions fit
219 H = zeros(N*(nx+nu)); % Hessian
220 g = zeros(N*(nx+nu),1); % gradient
221 for i = 1:N
222     % if i > floor(N/2)
223     % r(2) = 20
224     % qx = -dt*Cc'*Q*r
225     % end
226     j = 1+(i-1)*(nu+nx);
227     H = add2mat(H,Qu,j,j,'rep');
228     g = add2mat(g,qu,j,1,'rep');
229     H = add2mat(H,Qx,j+nu,j+nu,'rep');
230     g = add2mat(g,qx,j+nu,1,'rep');
231 end
232
233 ##### Build Ac (general constraint matrix), upper and lower bounds for
234 % Build Ac (general constraint matrix), upper and lower bounds for
235 % general constraints (bl and bu) and upper and lower bounds for
236 % variables (u and 1)
237 % #####
238
239 Ix = eye(nx);
240 Iu = eye(nu);
241 A = Ix + dt*Ac;
242 B = dt*Bc;
243 Ax0 = A*x0;
244 zerox = zeros(nx,1);
245 zerou = zeros(nu,1);
246
247 n = N*(nx+nu); % number of variables
248 m = N*(nx+nu); % number of general constraints
249 Ac = zeros(m,n); % new A matrix (carsten) (general constraints are rows
    => we will transpose it later)
250 l = zeros(n,1); % lower bounds for variables
251 u = zeros(n,1); % upper bounds for variables
252 bl = zeros(m,1); % lower bounds for general constraints
253 bu = zeros(m,1); % upper bounds for general constraints
254
255 row = 1;
256 col = 1;
257 Ac = add2mat(Ac,B,row,col,'rep');
258 Ac = add2mat(Ac,-Ix,row,col+nu,'rep');
259 bl = add2mat(bl,-Ax0,row,1,'rep');
260 bu = add2mat(bu,Ax0,row,1,'rep');
261 for i = 1:N-1
262     row = 1+i*nx; % start row for new k
263     col = 3+(i-1)*(nx+nu); % start column for new k
264     Ac = add2mat(Ac,A,row,col,'rep');
265     Ac = add2mat(Ac,B,row,col+nx,'rep');
266     Ac = add2mat(Ac,-Ix,row,col+nx+nu,'rep');
267     bl = add2mat(bl,zerox,row,1,'rep');
268     bu = add2mat(bu,zerox,row,1,'rep');
269 end
270
271 row = N*nx+1;
272 Ac = add2mat(Ac,Iu,row,1,'rep');
273 bl = add2mat(bl,dumin+u0minus1,row,1,'rep');
274 bu = add2mat(bu,dumax-u0minus1,row,1,'rep');
275 for i = 1:N-1
276     row = row+nu;
277     col = 1+(i)*(nu+nx);
278
279     Ac = add2mat(Ac,Iu,row,col,'rep');
280     Ac = add2mat(Ac,-Iu,row,col-(nx+nu),'rep');
281     bl = add2mat(bl,dumin,row,1,'rep');
282     bu = add2mat(bu,dumax,row,1,'rep');
283 end
284
285 for i = 0:N-1
286     row = 1+i*(nx+nu);
287     l = add2mat(l,u_minim,row,1,'rep');
288     u = add2mat(u,u_maxim,row,1,'rep');
289     l = add2mat(l,b_minim,row+nu,1,'rep');
290     u = add2mat(u,b_maxim,row+nu,1,'rep');
291 end
292
293 if pd == 1
294     x = LP_solver(l,u,Ac,bl,bu);
295 else
296     x = [];
297 end
298 [x,info] = QP_solver(H,g,l,u,Ac,bl,bu,x);
299 disp('Performance information of active set method: ')
300 info

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302 % ##### plots of quad-tank process #####
303 % plots of quad-tank process
304 % #####
305 output = x;
306 % making t...
307 t = tspan(1):dt:tspan(2);
308 % making h, F, df...
309 u0 = output(1:2);
310 u1 = output(3:6);
311 nu0 = B*u0-Ix*x1+Ax0;
312 nu0 = nu0'*nu0;
313 x_k = x1;
314 h = x_k(1:2);
315 heights(:,1)=x0;
316 heights(:,2)=x_k;
317 flow(:,1) = u0minus1;
318 flow(:,2) = u0;
319 for k = 1:N-1
320     ks = 3+(k-1)*(nx+nu);
321     u_k = output(ks+4:ks+5);
322     x_k_plus = output(ks+6:ks+9);
323
324     nul_k = A*x_k+B*u_k-Ix*x_k_plus;
325     nul_k = nul_k'*nul_k;
326
327     x_k = x_k_plus;
328     % h = x_k(1:2)
329     heights(:,k+2)=x_k;
330     flow(:,k+2) = u_k;
331 end
332 dF = [ diff(flow(1,:)); diff(flow(2,:)) ];
333 % plot...
334 fsize = 10;
335 figure(1), clf
336 subplot(4,2,1)
337 plot(t, heights(1,:), '-o')
338 hold on
339 plot(t, r(1)*ones(1,N+1), 'r')
340 plot(t, hmax1*ones(1,N+1), 'k')
341 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('h1 [cm]', 'FontSize', fsize)%, legend
342 ('h1', 'r1')
343 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
344 subplot(4,2,2)
345 plot(t, heights(2,:), '-o')
346 hold on
347 plot(t, r(2)*ones(1,N+1), 'r')
348 plot(t, hmax2*ones(1,N+1), 'k')
349 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('h2 [cm]', 'FontSize', fsize)%, legend
350 ('h2', 'r2')
351 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
352 subplot(4,2,3)
353 plot(t, heights(3,:), '-o')
354 plot(t, hmax3*ones(1,N+1), 'k')
355 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
356 subplot(4,2,4)
357 plot(t, heights(4,:), '-o')
358 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('h3 [cm]', 'FontSize', fsize)
359 hold on
360 plot(t, hmax4*ones(1,N+1), 'k')
361 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
362 subplot(4,2,5)
363 plot(t(1:end)-dt, flow(1,:), '-o')
364 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('F1 [cm^3/s]', 'FontSize', fsize)
365 axis([(t(1)-dt)tspan(2) 0 Fmax1])
366 subplot(4,2,6)
367 plot(t(1:end)-dt, flow(2,:), '-o')
368 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('F2 [cm^3/s]', 'FontSize', fsize)
369 %stairs(flow(2,:))
370 axis([(t(1)-dt)tspan(2) 0 Fmax2])
371 subplot(4,2,7)
372 plot(t(1:end-1)-dt, dF(1,:), '-o')
373 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('\Delta F1 [cm^3/s^2]', 'FontSize',
374 fsize)
375 axis([(t(1)-dt)tspan(2) dFmin1 dFmax1])
376 subplot(4,2,8)
377 plot(t(1:end-1)-dt, dF(2,:), '-o')
378 xlabel('t[s]', 'FontSize', fsize), ylabel('\Delta F2 [cm^3/s^2]', 'FontSize',
379 fsize)
380 axis([(t(1)-dt)tspan(2) dFmin2 dFmax2])
381 hold off
382 % Animate demo
383 %save quadratankprocess
384 save quadratankanimate

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385 % Auxilery function(s)
386 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
387 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
388 function v = check_input(v,l,u,n)
389 v = v(:)';
390 m = length(v);
391 if m ~= n
392     error(['num2str(inputname(1))','must be a vector of length ',int2str(n),'.'])
393 end
394 for i = 1:n
395     if ischar(v(i)) | ~isreal(v(i)) | isnan(v(i)) | v(i) < l | u
396         < v(i)
397         error(['num2str(inputname(1)),(' ,int2str(i),') must be in range ',
398               num2str(l), '<= value <= ',num2str(u),'.'])
399    end
400 end

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quad_tank_animate.m

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1 % ##### animation of quad-tank process #####
2 % animation of quad-tank process
3 % #####
4 load('quadruple_tank_process')
5 output = x;
6 % making t...
7 t = tspan(1):dt:tspan(2);
8 % making h, F, df...
9 u0 = output(1:2);
10 x1 = output(3:6);
11 nu0 = B*u0-Ix*x1+Ax0;
12 nu0 = nu0'*nu0;
13 x_k = x1;
14 h = x_k(1:2);
15 heights(:,1)=x0;
16 heights(:,2)=x_k;
17 flow(:,1) = u0minus1;
18 flow(:,2) = u0;
19 for k = 1:N-1
20     ks = 3+(k-1)*(nx+nu);
21     u_k = output(ks+4:ks+5);
22     x_k_plus = output(ks+6:ks+9);
23
24     nul_k = A*x_k+B*u_k-Ix*x_k_plus;
25     nul_k = nul_k'*nul_k;
26
27     x_k = x_k_plus;
28     % h = x_k(1:2);
29     heights(:,k+2)=x_k;
30     flow(:,k+2) = u_k;
31 end
32 dF = [diff(flow(1,:)); diff(flow(2,:))];
33 for i = 1:length(t)-1
34     figure(2)
35     quad_tank_plot(t(i),heights(:,i),bmax,r,flow(:,i),dF(:,i),gam)
36     M(i) = getframe;
37 end
38
39 % make movie for presentation...
40 reply = input('Do you want to make 4-tank demo movie? y/n [y]: ','s')
41 ;
42 if isempty(reply) | reply == 'y'
43     fps = input('Specify fps in avi file? [15]: ');
44     if isempty(fps)
45         fps = 15;
46     end
47     disp('Making avi file, please wait... ')
48     movie2avi(M,'4-tank_demo.movie.avi','fps',fps)
49     disp('Finished making avi file... ')
end

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SQP_demo.m

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1  function SQP_demo
2
3 % SQP_DEMO Interactive demonstration of the SQP method. The example problem
4 % is the following nonlinear program:
5 %   min f(x) = x1^4 + x2^4
6 %   s.t. x2 >= x1^2 - x1 + 1
7 %         x2 >= x1^2 - 4x1 + 6
8 %         x2 <= -x1^2 + 3x1 + 2
9 %
10 % Call
11 %   SQP_demo()
12 %
13 % By      : Carsten V\olcker, s961572.
14 %           Esben Lundsgaer Hansen, s022022.
15 % Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
16 %           M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
17 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor.
18 %           Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
19 % Date    : 07. June 2007.
20
21 close all
22 it_max = 1000;
23 method = 1;
24 tol = 1e-8;opts = [tol it_max method];
25
26 pi0 = [0 0 0]'; % because we have three nonlinear constraints.
27 plotScene(@costfun);
28
29 disp('Left-click on plot to select starting point or press any key to enter
      starting point in console.')
30 [u,v,but] = ginput(1);
31 if but == 1
32     x0 = [u v];
33 else
34     while isempty(x) | length(x) ~= 2 | sum(isnan(x)) | sum(isinf(x)) | sum(~
            isreal(x)) | ischar(x)
35     x0 = input('Enter starting point [x1 x2]: ');
36 end
37 end
38 x0 = x0';
39 pathplot(x0)
40 fsize = 12;
41 fsize_small = 10;
42 f0 = costfun(x0);
43 g0 = modfun(x0);
44 c = costSens(x0);
45 A = modSens(x0);
46 W = eye(length(x0));
47 w_non = (1:length(g0));
48 plotNewtonStep = 1;
49 stop = 0;
50 tol = opts(1);
51 max_itr = opts(2);
52 itr = 0;
53 while ~stop
54     disp('Press any key to continue... ')
55     pause
56     X(:,itr+1) = x0;
57     if plotNewtonStep
58         W = hessian(x0,pi0);
59     else
60         hold on
61         pathplot(X)
62     end
63     itr = itr+1;
64     if (itr > max_itr)
65         stop = 1;
66     end
67
68 [delta_x, mu,dummy] = dual_active_set_method(W,c,A,-g0,w_non,[],opts,0);
69
70 if (abs(c'*delta_x) + abs(mu'*g0)) < tol
71     disp('solution has been found')
72     stop = 1;
73 else
74     if itr == 1
75         sigma = abs(mu);
76     else
77         for i=1:length(mu)
78             sigma(i) = max(abs(mu(i)), 0.5*(sigma(i)+abs(mu(i))));
79         end
80     end
81
82 [alpha,x,f,g] = line_search_algorithm(@modfun,@costfun,f0,g0,c,x0,
83 delta_x,sigma,1e-4);

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84     pii = pi0 + alpha*(mu-pi0);
85
86 % here the newton step is plotted
87 if plotNewtonStep
88     tspan = linspace(-1,3,100);
89     for i =1:length(tspan)
90         x_hat = x0+tspan(i)*delta_x;
91         pi_hat = pi0+tspan(i)*(mu-pi0);
92         nabla_fx = costsens(x_hat);
93         nabla_hx = modsens(x_hat);
94         y_val(:,i) = nabla_fx - nabla_hx*pi_hat;
95     end
96
97     subplot(1,3,1)
98     hold off
99     plot_scene(@costfun);
100    X_temp = X;
101    X_temp(:,itr+1) = x;%+delta_x;
102    x_fin = x;%x0+alpha*delta_x;
103    pathplot(X_temp)
104    title({{'x_{old} = ',num2str(x0(1)),', ',num2str(x0(2)),')^T'};{ 'x_{new} = ',num2str(x_fin(1)),', ',num2str(x_fin(2)),')^T'}},'FontSize',fsize);
105    xlabel('x1','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('x2','FontSize',fsize)
106
107    subplot(1,3,2)
108    hold off
109    plot(tspan,y_val(1,:));
110
111    nabla_fx = costsens(x0);
112    nabla_hx = modsens(x0);
113    startPos = nabla_fx - nabla_hx*pi0;
114    startPos_y = startPos(1);
115    startPos_x = 0;
116
117    endPos_x = 1;
118    endPos_y = 0;
119
120    hold on
121    plot([startPos_x endPos_x],[startPos_y endPos_y],'LineWidth',2) %
122        path
123    plot([startPos_x alpha],[startPos_y (1-alpha)*startPos_y],%
124        'LineWidth',2,'color','r') % path
125    plot([tspan(1) tspan(end)],[0 0],'-') % y=0
126
127    pi_fin = pi0+alpha*(mu-pi0);
128    nabla_fx_fin = costsens(x_fin);
129    nabla_hx_fin = modsens(x_fin);
130    endvalue = nabla_fx_fin - nabla_hx_fin*pi_fin;
131
132    title({'[F(x1)]_{old} = ',num2str(startPos_y)];{ 'F(x1)_{new} = ',%
133        num2str(endvalue(1))}, 'FontSize',fsize);
134    xlabel('alpha','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F1','FontSize',fsize)
135
136    subplot(1,3,3)
137    hold off
138    plot(tspan,y_val(2,:));
139    startPos_y = startPos(2);
140    hold on
141    plot([startPos_x endPos_x],[startPos_y endPos_y],'LineWidth',2) %
142        path
143    plot([startPos_x alpha],[startPos_y (1-alpha)*startPos_y],%
144        'LineWidth',2,'color','r') % path
145    plot([tspan(1) tspan(end)],[0 0],'-') % y=0
146    title({'[F(x2)]_{old} = ',num2str(startPos_y)];{ 'F(x2)_{new} = ',%
147        num2str(endvalue(2))}, 'FontSize',fsize);
148    xlabel('alpha','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F2','FontSize',fsize)
149
150    nabla_L0 = c-A*pii;
151    c = costsens(x);
152    A = modsens(x);
153    nabla_L = c-A*pii;
154    s = x - x0;
155    y = nabla_L - nabla_L0;
156    sy = s'*y;
157    sWs = s'*W*s;
158    if (sy >= 0.2*sWs)
159        theta = 1;
160    else
161        theta = (0.8*sWs)/(sWs-sy);
162    end
163    Ws = W*s;
164    sW = s'*W;
165    r = theta*y+(1-theta)*Ws;
166    W = W-(Ws*sW)/sWs+(r*r')/(s'*r);
167    x0 = x;

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163      pio = pii;
164      fo = f;
165      go = g;
166    end
167 end
168
169 function pathplot(x)
170 lwidth = 2; msize = 6; fsize = 12;
171 plot(x(1,1),x(2,1),'ob','LineWidth',lwidth,'MarkerSize',msize) % starting
172           position
173 plot(x(1,:),x(2,:), 'LineWidth',lwidth) % path
174 plot(x(1,:),x(2,:),'ob','LineWidth',lwidth,'MarkerSize',msize) % path
175 plot(x(1,end),x(2,end), 'og','LineWidth',lwidth,'MarkerSize',msize) % current
176           position
177 title(['x==' num2str(x(1,end)) ',y==',num2str(x(2,end)),'] , 'FontSize',fsize
178 )
179
180
181 function fx = costfun(x)
182 % The function to be minimized
183 fx = x(1)*x(1)*x(1)*x(1)+x(2)*x(2)*x(2)*x(2); % : cost = (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
184
185 function dx = costsens(x)
186 % The gradient of the cost function
187 dx =[4*x(1)*x(1)*x(1); 4*x(2)*x(2)*x(2)]; % : gradient of (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
188
189 function fx = modfun(x)
190 % The constraints
191 c1 = -x(1)^2+x(1)+x(2)-1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
192 c2 = -x(1)^2+4*x(1)+x(2)-6; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
193 c3 = -x(1).^2+3*x(1)-x(2)+2; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
194 fx = [c1 c2 c3];
195
196 function dfx = modsens(x)
197 % gradient of the constraints
198 dfc1 = [-2*x(1)+1]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
199 dfc2 = [-2*x(1)+4]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
200 dfc3 = [-2*x(1)+3 -1]; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
201 dfx = [dfc1 dfc2 dfc3];
202
203 function H = hessian(x,mu)
204 HessCtr1 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
205 HessCtr2 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
206 HessCtr3 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
207
208 HessCost = [12*x(1)*x(1) 0; 0 12*x(2)*x(2)]; % : cost = (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
209
210 H = HessCost-(mu(1)*HessCtr1)-(mu(2)*HessCtr2)-(mu(3)*HessCtr3);
211
212 function plot_scene(costfun, varargin)
213 fcolor = [.4 .4 .4]; falpha = .4; % color and alpha values of faces marking
214           unfeasable region
215 plot_left = -5;
216 plot_right = 5;
217 plot_bottom = -5;
218 plot_top = 5;
219 plot_details = 30;
220 linspace_details = 100;
221 contours = 10;
222 ctr1 = 1;
223 ctr2 = 1;
224 ctr3 = 0;
225 ctr4 = 0;
226 ctr5 = 1;
227 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%
228 % constraints defined for z=0
229 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%
230 x_ctr = linspace(plot_left,plot_right,linspace_details);
231 y_ctr1 = x_ctr.^2-x_ctr+1; ctr1_geq = 1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
232 y_ctr2 = x_ctr.^2 - 4*x_ctr + 6; ctr2_geq = 1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
233 y_ctr3 = sin(x_ctr) + 3; ctr3_geq = 0; % x2 <= sin(x1) + 3
234 y_ctr4 = cos(x_ctr) + 2; ctr4_geq = 1; % x2 >= cos(x1) + 2
235
236 y_ctr5 = -x_ctr.^2+3*x_ctr+2; ctr5_geq = 0; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
237 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%
238 % plot the cost function
239 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%
240 delta = dist(plot_left,plot_right)/plot_details;
241 [X1,X2] = meshgrid(plot_left:delta:plot_right); %create a matrix of (X,Y) from
242           vector
243 for i = 1:length(X1)
244   for j = 1:length(X2)

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245         cost(i,j) = feval(costfun, [X1(i,j) X2(i,j)]);%, varargin{:});%
246     end
247 end
248 %figure(1)
249 % mesh(X1,X2,cost)
250 %figure
251 contour(X1,X2,cost ,contours)
252 hold on
253
254 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
255 % plot the constraints
256 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
257 bottom_final = [];
258 top_final = [];
259 [top_final, bottom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctrl, ctrl1_geq, ctrl1, plot_left,
260 plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, bottom_final, fcolor, falpha
260 );
260 [top_final, bottom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctrl2, ctrl2_geq, ctrl2, plot_left,
261 plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, bottom_final, fcolor, falpha
261 );
261 [top_final, bottom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctrl3, ctrl3_geq, ctrl3, plot_left,
262 plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, bottom_final, fcolor, falpha
262 );
262 [top_final, bottom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctrl4, ctrl4_geq, ctrl4, plot_left,
263 plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, bottom_final, fcolor, falpha
263 );
263 [top_final, bottom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctrl5, ctrl5_geq, ctrl5, plot_left,
264 plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, bottom_final, fcolor, falpha
264 );
265 if ~isempty(top_final) && isempty(bottom_final)
266     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_bottom top_final plot_bottom],%
267           fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
268 end
269 if ~isempty(bottom_final) && isempty(top_final)
270     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_top bottom_final plot_top],fcolor, %
270           'FaceAlpha',falha)
271 end
272 if ~isempty(bottom_final) && ~isempty(top_final)
273     temp = top_final;
274     top_final = max(top_final, bottom_final);
275     fill([x_ctr], [top_final], fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
276     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_bottom temp plot_bottom],fcolor, %
276           'FaceAlpha',falha)
277 end
278
279 function [top_fin, bottom_fin] = plot_ctr(x_span, y_span, geq, plott, left,
280 right, bottom, top, top_fin, bottom_fin, color, alpha)
281 if plott
282     plot(x_span,y_span,'bla')
283     if geq
284         if isempty(top_fin) % first call
285             top_fin = y_span;
286         else
287             top_fin = max(top_fin,y_span);
288         end
289     else
290         if isempty(bottom_fin)
291             bottom_fin = y_span;
292         else
293             bottom_fin = min(bottom_fin,y_span);
294         end
295     end
296 end
297 end

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D.6 Auxiliary Functions

`add2mat.m`

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1 % ADD2MAT Add/subtract/replace elements of two matrices of different sizes.
2 %
3 % Syntax:
4 %   NEWMATRIX = ADD2MAT(MATRIX1, MATRIX2, INITATROW, INITATCOLUMN, ADDSTYLE)
5 %
6 % Description:
7 %   Addition or subtraction between or replacement of elements in MATRIX1
8 %   by MATRIX2. MATRIX1 and MATRIX2 can be of different sizes, as long as
9 %   MATRIX2 fits inside MATRIX1 with respect to the initial point. MATRIX2
10 %  operates on MATRIX1 starting from the initial point
11 %  (INITATROW,INITATCOLUMN) in MATRIX1.
12 %
13 % ADDSTYLE = 'add': Building NEWMATRIX by adding MATRIX2 to elements in
14 % MATRIX1.
15 % ADDSTYLE = 'sub': Building NEWMATRIX by subtracting MATRIX2 from elements
16 % in MATRIX1.
17 % ADDSTYLE = 'mul': Building NEWMATRIX by elementwise multiplication of
18 % MATRIX2
19 %           and elements in MATRIX1.
20 % ADDSTYLE = 'div': Building NEWMATRIX by elementwise division of MATRIX2
21 %           and elements in MATRIX1.
22 % ADDSTYLE = 'rep': Building NEWMATRIX by replacing elements in MATRIX1 with
23 %           MATRIX2.
24 %
25 % Example:
26 %   >> A = [1 2 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 9 10 11 12; 13 14 15 16]
27 %
28 %   A =
29 %
30 %      1     2     3     4
31 %      5     6     7     8
32 %      9    10    11    12
33 %     13    14    15    16
34 %
35 %   >> b = [1 1 1]
36 %
37 %   b =
38 %
39 %      1     1     1
40 %   >> B = diag(b)
41 %
42 %   B =
43 %
44 %      1     0     0
45 %      0     1     0
46 %      0     0     1
47 %
48 %   >> C = add2mat(A,B,2,2,'rep')
49 %
50 %   C =
51 %
52 %      1     2     3     4
53 %      5     1     0     0
54 %      9     0     1     0
55 %     13     0     0     1
56 %
57 % See also DIAG2MAT, DIAG, CAT.
58 %
59 % -----
60 % ADD2MAT Version 3.0
61 % Made by Carsten V(oe)lcker, <s961572@student.dtu.dk>
62 % in MATLAB Version 6.5 Release 13
63 % -----
64
65 function matrix3 = add2mat(matrix1,matrix2,initm,initn,addstyle)
66
67 if nargin < 5
68   error('Not enough input arguments.')
69 end
70 if ~isnumeric(matrix1)
71   error('MATRIX1 must be a matrix.')
72 end
73 if ~isnumeric(matrix2)
74   error('MATRIX2 must be a matrix.')
75 end
76 if ~isnumeric(initm) || length(initm) ~= 1
77   error('INITATROW must be an integer.')
78 end
79
80 % Check if matrix2 is smaller than matrix1
81 if initm > size(matrix1,1) || initn > size(matrix1,2)
82   error('INITATROW or INITATCOLUMN is out of bounds.')
83 end
84
85 % Initialize new matrix
86 matrix3 = matrix1;
87
88 % Loop through matrix2 and update matrix3
89 for i = 1:size(matrix2,1)
90   for j = 1:size(matrix2,2)
91     matrix3(initm+i-1,initn+j-1) = addstyle == 'add' ? matrix3(initm+i-1,initn+j-1) + matrix2(i,j) :
92       addstyle == 'sub' ? matrix3(initm+i-1,initn+j-1) - matrix2(i,j) :
93         addstyle == 'mul' ? matrix3(initm+i-1,initn+j-1) * matrix2(i,j) :
94           matrix3(initm+i-1,initn+j-1) / matrix2(i,j);
95   end
96 end
97
98 % Return result
99 matrix3
100
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78 end
79 if ~isnumeric(initn) || length(initn) ~= 1
80     error('INITATCOLUMN must be an integer.')
81 end
82 if ~isstr(addstyle)
83     error('ADDSTYLE not defined.')
84 end
85 [m1,n1] = size(matrix1);
86 [m2,n2] = size(matrix2);
87 if m2 > m1 || n2 > n1
88     error(['MATRIX2 with dimension(s)', int2str(m2), 'x', int2str(n2), ' does not '
89             ' fit inside MATRIX1 with dimension(s)', ...
90             ',', int2str(m1), 'x', int2str(n1), '.'])
91 end
92 if initm > m1 || initn > n1
93     error(['Initial point (', int2str(initm), ',', int2str(initn), ') exceeds '
94             'dimension(s)', int2str(m1), 'x', int2str(n1), ...
95             ' of MATRIX1.'])
96 end
97 if initm+m2-1 > m1 || initn+n2-1 > n1
98     error(['With initial point (', int2str(initm), ',', int2str(initn), '), '
99             'dimension(s)', int2str(m2), 'x', int2str(n2), ...
100             ' of MATRIX2 exceeds dimension(s)', int2str(m1), 'x', int2str(n1), ' '
101             ' of MATRIX1.'])
102 end
103 switch addstyle
104 case 'add'
105     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
106                 initn:initn+n2-1)+matrix2;
107     matrix3 = matrix1;
108 case 'sub'
109     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
110                 initn:initn+n2-1)-matrix2;
111     matrix3 = matrix1;
112 case 'mul'
113     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
114                 initn:initn+n2-1).*matrix2;
115     matrix3 = matrix1;
116 case 'div'
117     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
118                 initn:initn+n2-1)./matrix2;
119     matrix3 = matrix1;
120 case 'rep'
121     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix2;
122     matrix3 = matrix1;
123 end

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line_search_algorithm.m

```

1 function [alpha,x,f,g] = line_search_algorithm(modfun,costfun,f0,g0,c,x0,
2 delta_x,sigma,c1,varargin)
3 % LINE-SEARCH-ALGORITHM implemented according to Powells 11-Penalty
4 % function
5 %
6 % By : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
7 % Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
8 %           Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
9 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
10 % Thomsen, Professor.
11 % Date : 08. february 2007.
12 n0 = sigma'*abs(g0);
13 T0 = f0+n0;
14 dT0 = c'*delta_x-n0;
15 alpha1 = 1;%alpha_val;%1;
16 x = x0+alpha1*delta_x;
17 f = feval(costfun,x,varargin{:});
18 g = feval(modfun,x,varargin{:});
19 T1 = f+sigma'*abs(g);
20
21 if T1 <= T0+c1*dT0
22     alpha = alpha1;
23     return
24 end
25
26 alpha_min = dT0/(2*(T0+dT0-T1));
27 alpha2 = max(0.1*alpha1, alpha_min); % skal 0.1 \varepsilon c1 i stedet for ??
28

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30 x = x0+alpha2*delta_x;
31 f = feval(costfun, x, varargin{:});
32 g = feval(modfun, x, varargin{:});
33 T2 = f+sigma'*abs(g);
34
35 if T2 <= T0+c1*alpha2*dT0
36 alpha = alpha2;
37 return
38 end
39
40 stop = 0;
41 max_itr = 100;
42 itr = 0;
43 while ~stop
44     itr = itr+1;
45     if itr > max_itr
46         disp('line_search_(itr>max_itr)');
47         stop = 1;
48     end
49
50 ab = 1/(alpha1-alpha2)*[1/(alpha1*alpha1) - 1/(alpha2*alpha2); -alpha2/(
51     alpha1*alpha1) alpha1/(alpha2*alpha2)]*[T1-dT0*alpha1-T0; T2-dT0*
52     alpha2-T0];
53 a = ab(1);
54 b = ab(2);
55 if ( abs(a)<eps )
56     alpha_min = -dT0/b;
57 else
58     alpha_min = (-b+(sqrt(b*b-3*a*dT0)))/3*a;
59 end
60
61 if ( alpha_min <= 0.1*alpha2 )
62     alpha = 0.1*alpha2;
63 else
64     if ( alpha_min >= 0.5*alpha2 )
65         alpha = 0.5*alpha2;
66     else
67         alpha = alpha_min;
68     end
69 end
70 x = x0+alpha*delta_x;
71 f = feval(costfun, x, varargin{:});
72 g = feval(modfun, x, varargin{:});
73 T_alpha = f+sigma'*abs(g);
74
75 if T_alpha <= T0+c1*alpha*dT0
76     return
77 end
78 alpha1 = alpha2;
79 alpha2 = alpha;
80 T1 = T2;
81 T2 = T_alpha;
82 end

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