

Today

• SOCPs

• Newton's Method

SOCPs "easier to solve"

Def: cone

• set of points $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a cone iff

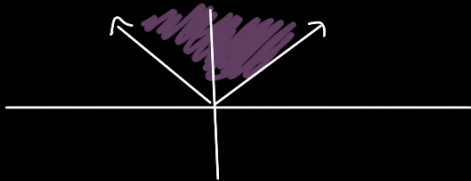
$$\alpha \vec{x} \in C \quad \text{if } \vec{x} \in C \quad \forall \alpha \geq 0$$

Def: Convex cone C convex cone if

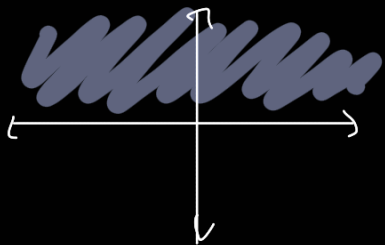
$\alpha \vec{x} \in C$ for $\alpha \geq 0 \Rightarrow \theta_1, \theta_2 \geq 0$
then

$$\theta_1 \vec{x}_1 + \theta_2 \vec{x}_2 \in C$$

$$\text{eg } C = \{(x, y) \mid x \leq y\}$$



$$C = \{(x, y) \mid y \geq 0\}$$

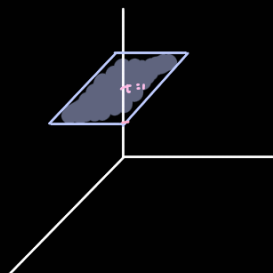
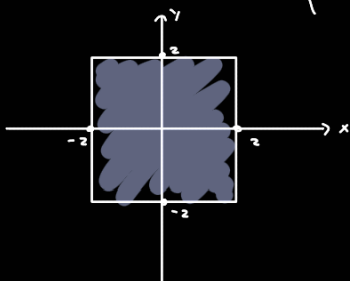


Polyhedral Cone

• Polyhedron: $\{\vec{x} \mid A\vec{x} \leq \vec{b}\}$

• Polyhedral cone: $\{(\vec{x}, t) \mid A\vec{x} \leq \vec{b}t \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0\}$

• Polyhedron: $\left\{ \vec{x} \mid \begin{array}{l} x \leq 2, x \geq -2 \\ y \leq 2, y \geq -2 \end{array} \right\}$



at $t=1$, you get the original polyhedron

Ellipsoidal Cone

$$x^T P x + q^T x + r \leq 0$$

$$P \succeq 0$$

Consider $\|Ax + b\|_2^2 \leq c^2$

$$x^T A^T A x + 2b^T A x + b^T b \leq 0 \quad \text{ellipse}$$

$$C = \{(x, t) \mid \|Ax + b\|_2 \leq ct\} \leftarrow \text{Ellipsoidal cone}$$

$$\text{if } (x, t) \in C \rightarrow \text{Q / Does } (\alpha x, \alpha t) \in C?$$

Check

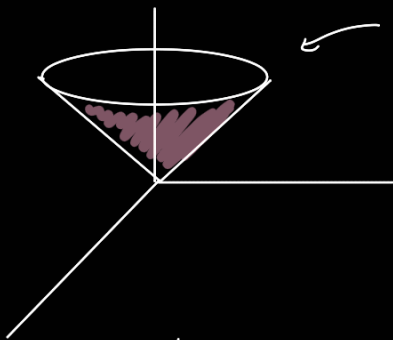
$$\|A(\alpha x) + b(\alpha t)\|_2 \leq c \alpha t$$

$$\alpha \|Ax + b\|_2 \leq \alpha ct$$

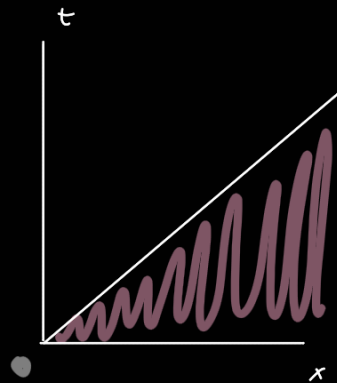
$$\text{Yes} \Rightarrow (\alpha x, \alpha t) \in C$$

Special case of Ellipsoidal cone: 2nd order cone $\in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\{(x_1, x_2, t) \mid \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} \leq t\}$$



← SOC in 3D "ice cream cone"



← 2D SOC

Define: SOCP

$$\min \quad \tilde{q}^T \tilde{x}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \|A_i \tilde{x} + \tilde{b}_i\|_2 \leq \tilde{c}_i^T \tilde{x} + d_i \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\underbrace{(A_i \tilde{x} + \tilde{b}_i)}_{(\tilde{x}, \tau)} \underbrace{, \tilde{c}_i^T \tilde{x} + d_i}_{\tau} \text{ must belong to SOC}$$
$$\|x\|_2 \leq t$$

ReFormulating optimization Problems to look like SOCP,

eg ① $\min_x \sum_{i=1}^m \|A_i x - b_i\|_2$

$\min_x \|Ax - b\|_2$ (Least squares)

$\min_x \sum_{i=1}^m \|A_i x - b_i\|_2 \leftarrow \text{no longer least squares}$

AA reformulating:

$\min_x \sum_{i=1}^3 \|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2$

$\hookrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^3 \|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{c}_i^T \vec{x} + d_i$

f

$\min_x \vec{q}_1^T x$

s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^3 \|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{c}_i^T \vec{x} + d_i$

+

$\min \vec{q}_2^T \vec{x}$

s.t. $\|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2 \leq \vec{c}_i^T \vec{x} + d_i$

Ranade:

$\|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\| = y_i$

$\hookrightarrow \min_x \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i$

$\|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2 = y_i$

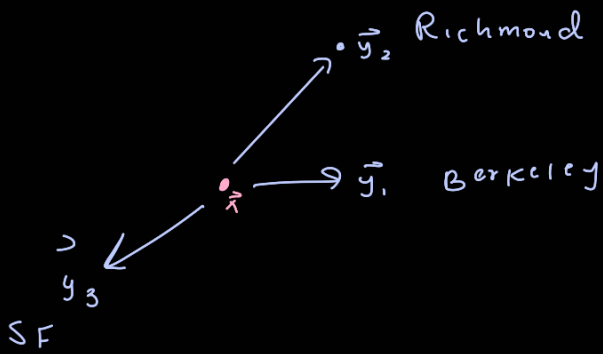
\downarrow relax the problem

$\min_{x, y_i} \sum_{i=1}^3 y_i$
 $\|A_i x - b_i\|_2 \leq y_i$

② $\min_x \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2$

$\min_{\vec{x}, y} y$
 $\|A_i \vec{x} - \vec{b}_i\|_2 \leq y \quad \forall i=1, \dots, m$

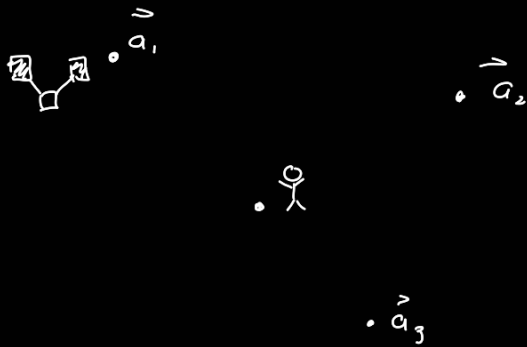
Facility Location Problem



$$\min \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}_i\|_2$$

$$\min_x \max_i \|\vec{x} - \vec{y}_i\|_2$$

Trilateration / GPS



Packet transmission times: t_i^T

Packet received times: t_i^R

offset: δ

$$\hookrightarrow t_i^{\text{true}} = t_i^R + \delta$$

Time of Flight $f_i = t_i^{\text{true}} - t_i^T = t_i^R + \delta - t_i^T = \Delta_i + \delta$

Distance: $cf_i = c\Delta_i + c\delta$

where satellite are (known) $\Delta_i = t_i^R - t_i^T$

offset (unknown)

speed of light (known)

where I am (unknown)

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}_i\|_2 = c\Delta_i + c\delta$$

squaring gives: $(\vec{x} - \vec{a}_i)^T(\vec{x} - \vec{a}_i) = (c\Delta_i + c\delta)^2$

unknowns: $n+1$

$\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

δ

x_1, \dots, x_n

4 satellites \rightarrow square all the eqns \rightarrow subtract them from eqn from satellite 4

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}_4\|_2^2 - \|\vec{x} - \vec{a}_i\|_2^2 = \underbrace{x^T x - x^T x}_{\text{gets rid of quadratic term}} + \underbrace{Kx}_{\text{const}} + \text{constant}$$

\hookrightarrow gives linear eqn

\hookrightarrow 3 linear eqns in the form:

$$2(\vec{a}_4 - \vec{a}_i)^T \vec{x} + 2c(\Delta_4 - \Delta_i)\delta = c^2(\Delta_i^2 - \Delta_4^2) + \|\vec{a}_4\|_2^2 - \|\vec{a}_i\|_2^2$$

$$\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

$2+1 = 3$ unknowns, 3 eqns \checkmark

Q/What happens if we lose another satellite?

↳ 3 unknowns, 2 eqns \Rightarrow will solve with SOCPs! $\ddot{\circ}$

eqn ① $2(\vec{a}_3 - \vec{a}_1)^T \vec{x} + 2c^2(\Delta_3 - \Delta_1)\delta = c^2(\Delta_1^2 - \Delta_3^2) + \|\vec{a}_3\|_2^2 - \|\vec{a}_1\|_2^2$

② $2(\vec{a}_3 - \vec{a}_2)^T \vec{x} + \dots$

③ $\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}_3\|_2 \leq c\Delta_3 + c\delta$ } nonlinear

$\rightarrow \min \delta$
s.t. ① } linear equality constraints don't have
② } to be relaxed

③ $\|\vec{x} - \vec{a}_3\|_2 \leq c\Delta_3 + c\delta$ \leftarrow need to relax this to make it into an SOCP $\ddot{\circ}$

to make it solvable

↳ since we have a linear objective, we know that this can be relaxed $\ddot{\circ}$ will achieve the same solution. we know the objective will always be attained on the boundary.

Newton's Method "big brother of gradient descent"

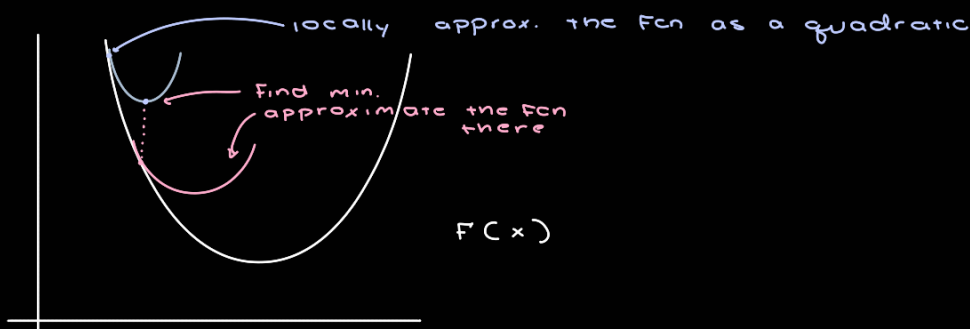
• second order

$F(\vec{x})$ want \vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_1 converging to \vec{x}_* (optimal)

$\min_{\vec{x}} F(\vec{x})$

↳ Taylor's

$F(\vec{x} + \vec{v}) = \underbrace{F(\vec{x}) + \nabla F(\vec{x})^T \vec{v} + \frac{1}{2} \vec{v}^T \nabla^2 F(\vec{x}) \vec{v}}_{\text{quadratic approx}} + \dots$ HOT



x_0 : initial state

• $H = \nabla^2 F$ is PD \rightarrow invertible

↳ general quadratic

$\frac{1}{2} \vec{x}^T H \vec{x} + \vec{c}^T \vec{x} + d$

$\vec{x}_{\min} = -H^{-1} \vec{c}$

Best \vec{v} direction to take step to minimize quadratic

$$\begin{aligned}\hookrightarrow \vec{v}^* &= -H^{-1} \vec{c} \\ &= -(\nabla^2 F(\vec{x}))^{-1} \nabla F(\vec{x})\end{aligned}$$

by pattern matching

Newton step:

$$\vec{x}_{k+1} = x_k - (\nabla^2 F(x_k))^{-1} \nabla F(x_k)$$

Note: if H not PD, then you have to use Quasi-Newton methods (recall from last class; how to deal w/ not PD cases)

Q/why Newton's method instead of gradient?

Pros

• converges much faster

Cons

• Hessian inversion

Damped Newton's method (add a step η)

eg: $\vec{x}_{k+1} = x_k - (\nabla^2 F(x_k))^{-1} \nabla F(x_k)$

damped: $\vec{x}_{k+1} = x_k - \eta (\nabla^2 F(x_k))^{-1} \nabla F(x_k)$