then we have

$$\lambda^{\top} r + (\rho/2) \|r\|_{2}^{2} = (\rho/2) \|r + (1/\rho)\lambda\|_{2}^{2} - (1/(2\rho)) \|\lambda\|_{2}^{2}$$
$$= (\rho/2) \|r + \mu\|_{2}^{2} - (\rho/2) \|\mu\|_{2}^{2}.$$

The scaled form of ADMM consists of the following steps:

$$x^{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \left( f(x) + (\rho/2) \left\| Ax + Bz^k - c + \mu^k \right\|_2^2 \right)$$
$$z^{k+1} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \left( g(z) + (\rho/2) \left\| Ax^{k+1} + Bz - c + \mu^k \right\|_2^2 \right)$$
$$\mu^{k+1} = \mu^k + Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c.$$

If we define the residual  $r^k$  at step k as

$$r^{k} = Ax^{k} + Bz^{k} - c = \mu^{k} - \mu^{k-1} = (1/\rho)(\lambda^{k} - \lambda^{k-1}),$$

then we see that

$$r = u^0 + \sum_{j=1}^k r^j$$
.

The formulae in the scaled form are often shorter than the formulae in the unscaled form. We now discuss the convergence of ADMM.

## 52.4 Convergence of ADMM $\circledast$

Let us repeat the steps of ADMM: Given some initial  $(z^0, \lambda^0)$ , do:

$$x^{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} L_{\rho}(x, z^k, \lambda^k) \tag{x-update}$$

$$z^{k+1} = \arg\min L_{\rho}(x^{k+1}, z, \lambda^k)$$
 (z-update)

$$\lambda^{k+1} = \lambda^k + \rho(Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c). \tag{$\lambda$-update}$$

The convergence of ADMM can be proven under the following three assumptions:

- (1) The functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  and  $g: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$  are proper and closed convex functions (see Section 51.1) such that  $\mathbf{relint}(\mathrm{dom}(f)) \cap \mathbf{relint}(\mathrm{dom}(g)) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (2) The  $n \times n$  matrix  $A^{\top}A$  is invertible and the  $m \times m$  matrix  $B^{\top}B$  is invertible. Equivalently, the  $p \times n$  matrix A has rank n and the  $p \times m$  matrix has rank m.
- (3) The unaugmented Lagrangian  $L_0(x, z, \lambda) = f(x) + g(z) + \lambda^{\top} (Ax + Bz c)$  has a saddle point, which means there exists  $x^*, z^*, \lambda^*$  (not necessarily unique) such that

$$L_0(x^*, z^*, \lambda) \le L_0(x^*, z^*, \lambda^*) \le L_0(x, z, \lambda^*)$$

for all  $x, z, \lambda$ .