

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i^T = \min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \sum_{t=1}^T (x_i^t - x_i^{t-1}) \\
\text{subject to} \quad & \sum_{k=1}^K w_k^t = 1 & \forall t \\
& x_i^t \geq \sum_{k=1}^K w_k^t s_{i,k}^t & \forall i, t \\
& x_i^t \geq x_i^{t-1} & \forall i, t \\
& w_k^t \geq 0 & \forall t, k
\end{aligned}$$

where $1 \leq t \leq T$ and $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Figure 1: Formulation of the LIN-COMB benchmark

Theorem 1 *The algorithm's cost is at most $O(\ln(K\rho))$ -competitive in the LIN-COMB benchmark.*

Proof Lemma 1 proved that our algorithm creates feasible solutions for the dual problem of the LIN-COMB benchmark relaxation and for the original covering problem. We show that the algorithm's solution increases the primal objective value of the original covering problem by at most $O(\ln(K\rho))$ times the value of the dual solution, which serves as the lower bound on the LIN-COMB benchmark - the best linear combination of the experts' solutions.

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n c_i(x_i^t - x_i^{t-1}) &= \frac{1}{\ln(K\rho)} \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} c_i(x_i^t - x_i^{t-1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} c_i(x_i^t + \delta_i^t) \ln \frac{x_i^{t-1} + \delta_i^t}{x_i^{t-1} + \delta_i^t} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} c_i(x_i^t + \delta_i^t) \ln \frac{x_i^{t-1} + \delta_i^t}{x_i^{t-1} + \delta_i^{t-1}} \quad (2)$$

$$= \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} c_i \left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t + \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t \right) \ln \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t + \delta_i^t}{x_i^{t-1} + \delta_i^{t-1}} \right) \right] \quad (3)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} c_i \left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t + \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t \right) \ln \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t + \delta_i^t}{\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^{t-1} w_{i,k}^{t-1} + \delta_i^{t-1}} \right) \right] \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} \sum_{k=1}^K (w_{i,k}^t + 1/K) c_i s_{i,k}^t \ln \left(\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t + \delta_i^t}{\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^{t-1} w_{i,k}^{t-1} + \delta_i^{t-1}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i: x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}} \sum_{k=1}^K (w_{i,k}^t + 1/K) \left(a_i^t \hat{s}_{i,k}^t \gamma^t + \lambda_i^t \right) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^K (w_{i,k}^t + 1/K) \left(a_i^t \hat{s}_{i,k}^t \gamma^t + \lambda_i^t \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^t \left(\sum_{k=1}^K w_{i,k}^t \hat{s}_{i,k}^t \right) \gamma^t + \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{k=1}^K w_{i,k}^t \right) \lambda_i^t + \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^t \hat{s}_{i,k}^t \right) \gamma^t + \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^t \\ &= 2\gamma^t + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^t = \ln(K\rho) \alpha^t \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The above corresponding transformations hold since:

- (2) follows from the inequality $a - b \leq a \ln(a/b)$ for all $0 < b \leq a$;
- (3) holds since $\delta_i^t \geq \delta_i^{t-1}$ (because $s_{i,k}^t \geq s_{i,k}^{t-1}$ for all i, k, t);
- (4) is valid because $x_i^t > x_i^{t-1}$, so $x_i^t = \sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t$;
- (5) is by the design of the algorithm: $x_i^{t-1} \geq \sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^{t-1} w_{i,k}^{t-1}$;
- (6) since given that $x_i^t > x_i^{t-1} \geq 0$ (so $\sum_{k=1}^K s_{i,k}^t w_{i,k}^t = x_i^t > 0$), the KKT condition applies;
- (7) is true due to the complementary slackness conditions and that $\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^t \hat{s}_{i,k}^t = 1$.

□

1 Signal Temporal Logic

1.1 Notation

$V = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$	Current state of the model as a set of variables
$\mathbb{D} = \mathbb{D}_1 \times \mathbb{D}_2 \times \dots \times \mathbb{D}_n$	Domain of V
$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$	Time set
$\mathbb{B} = \{-1, +1\}$	Boolean set
$w : \mathbb{T} \mapsto \mathbb{D}$	A signal w
$M = \{\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_k\}$	Booleanizers $\mu_j : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{B}$
φ	STL formula
$(w, t) \models \varphi$	The signal w satisfies the STL formula φ at time t
$\chi(\mu, w, t)$	Characteristic function
$\mathcal{I} \subset \mathbb{T}$	Time interval (open or closed) as (i_1, i_2) and $i_1 < i_2$
$t + \mathcal{I} = \{t + t' \mid t' \in \mathcal{I}\}$	Time interval window from a given time t
$\mathcal{U}_{\mathcal{I}}$	Until operator with interval \mathcal{I}
$\bigcirc_{\mathcal{I}}$	Next operator with interval \mathcal{I}
$\Diamond_{\mathcal{I}}$	Eventually operator with interval \mathcal{I}
$\Box_{\mathcal{I}}$	Always operator with interval \mathcal{I}

1.2 Events

$$\text{NextEvent}(z, r_k) = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } (z, \delta z) \text{ is continuous for } r > r_k \\ \min\{r > r_k \mid (z[r^-], \delta z[r^-]) \neq (z[r^+], \delta z[r^+])\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$