PIPG for Rendezvous

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PIPG Overview

PIPG

- Is a first order primal-dual conic optimizer
- Is easily verifiable
- Is factorization free
- Is an intuitive algorithm
- Is very fast (3-7x faster than ECOS)
- Can be coded in an afternoon
- Supports infeasibility detection

Comparison with ECOS

	ECOS	PIPG
Verification Ease	✗	✓
Factorization Free	✗	✓
Understandable	✗	✓
Implementation Ease	✗	✓
Infeasibility Detection	✓	✓
Tuning Free	✓	✗

PIPG Algorithm

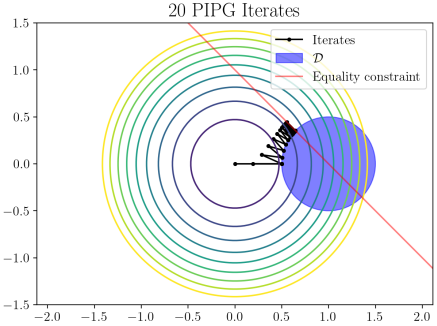
Optimization Problem

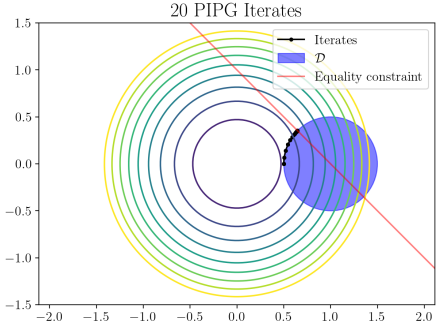
$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z} \quad & \frac{1}{2} z^\top P z + q^\top z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Hz - h = 0 \\ & z \in \mathbb{D} \end{aligned}$$

Algorithm

$$z^{k+1} \leftarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{D}} \left[z^k - \alpha (P z^k + q + H^\top w^k) \right]$$

$$w^{k+1} \leftarrow w^k + \beta (H(2z^{k+1} - z^k) - h)$$

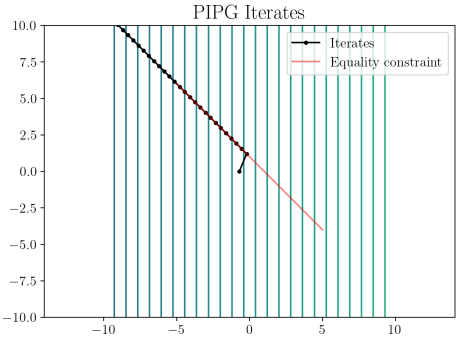


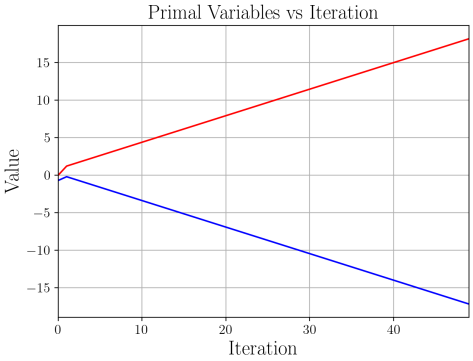


Infeasibility Detection - Dual Infeasibility

Dual Infeasibility Criteria:

$$\lim_{k\to\infty} \|z^{k+1} - z^k\| \neq 0$$

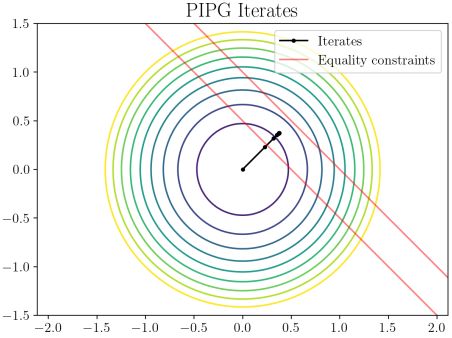


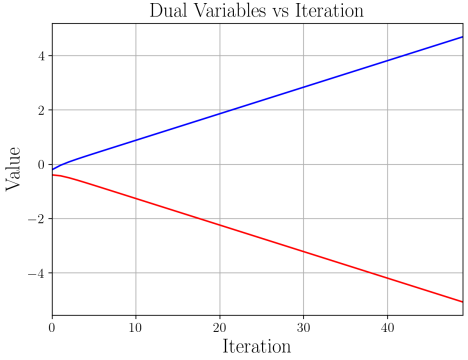


Infeasibility Detection - Primal Infeasibility

Primal Infeasibility Criteria:

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|w^{k+1} - w^k\| \neq 0$$





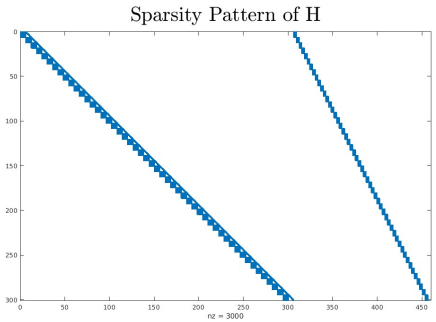
Structured Sparsity

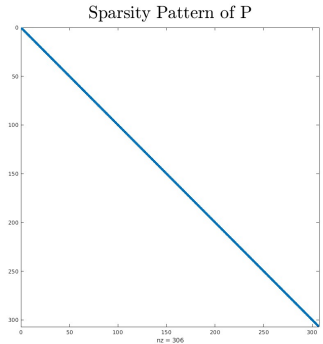
$$\underset{x_t, u_t}{\text{minimize}} \quad x_N^\top Q_N x_N + \sum_{t=1}^{N-1} x_t^\top Q_t x_t + u_t^\top R_t u_t$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad x_{t+1} = A_t x_t + B_t u_t,$$
$$x_t \in \mathbb{X}_t, \quad u_t \in \mathbb{U}_t$$

$$\underset{z}{\text{minimize}} \quad \frac{1}{2} z^\top P z$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad Hz - h = 0, \; z \in \mathbb{D}$$





Customization

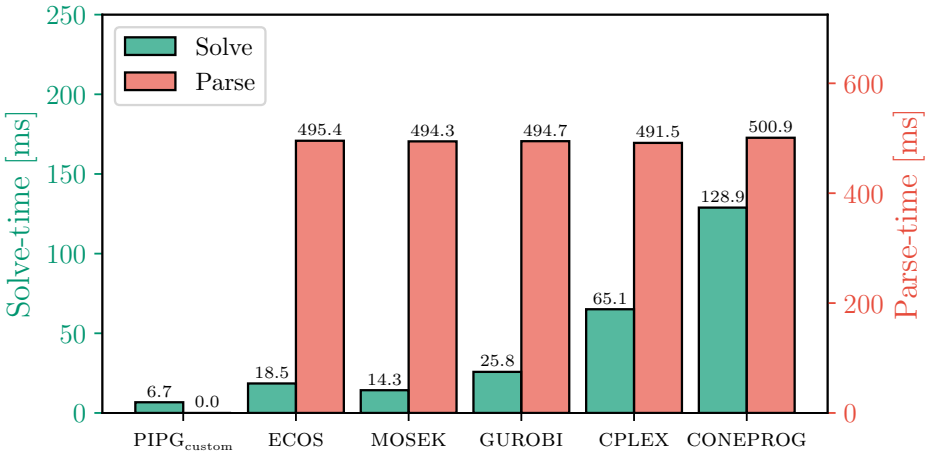
$$\begin{aligned} \underset{x_t, u_t}{\text{minimize}} \quad & x_N^\top Q_N x_N + \sum_{t=1}^{N-1} x_t^\top Q_t x_t + u_t^\top R_t u_t \\ \text{subject to} \quad & x_{t+1} = A_t x_t + B_t u_t, \\ & x_t \in \mathbb{X}_t, \quad u_t \in \mathbb{U}_t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{z}{\text{minimize}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} z^\top P z \\ \text{subject to} \quad & Hz - h = 0, \; z \in \mathbb{D} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_t &\leftarrow v_t + \beta(x_{t+1} - A_t x_t - B_t u_t) \\ u_t &\leftarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{U}_t}[u_t - \alpha(R_t u_t - B_t^\top w_{t-1})] \\ x_t &\leftarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{X}_t}[x_t - \alpha(Q_t x_t + w_{t-1} - A_t^\top w_t)] \\ v_t &\leftarrow v_t + \beta(x_{t+1} - A_t x_t - B_t u_t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w &\leftarrow v + \beta(Hz - h) \\ z &\leftarrow \Pi_{\mathbb{D}}[z - \alpha(Pz + H^\top w)] \\ v &\leftarrow v + \beta(Hz - h) \end{aligned}$$

Parsing



From Elango et al. *SciTech 2021*

Continuous-time Nonconvex Problem

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\begin{aligned}
&\underset{t_f,\, x(t),u(t)}{\text{minimize}} && \int_0^{t_f} \|u(t)\|_2^2 \, dt \\
&\text{subject to} && \forall t \in [0, t_f) \\
&\boxed{\text{CW Dynamics}} && \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t)) \\
&\boxed{\text{Max delta-v}} && \|u(t)\|_2 \leq u_{\max} \\
&\boxed{\text{Keepout Zone}} && \|r(t) - r_c\|_2 \geq \rho \\
&\boxed{\text{Max Speed}} && \|v(t)\|_2 \leq v_{\max} \\
&\boxed{\text{Initial Conditions}} && r(0) = r_i \\
& && v(0) = v_i \\
&\boxed{\text{Terminal Conditions}} && r(t_f) = 0_{3\times 1} \\
& && v(t_f) = 0_{3\times 1}
\end{aligned}
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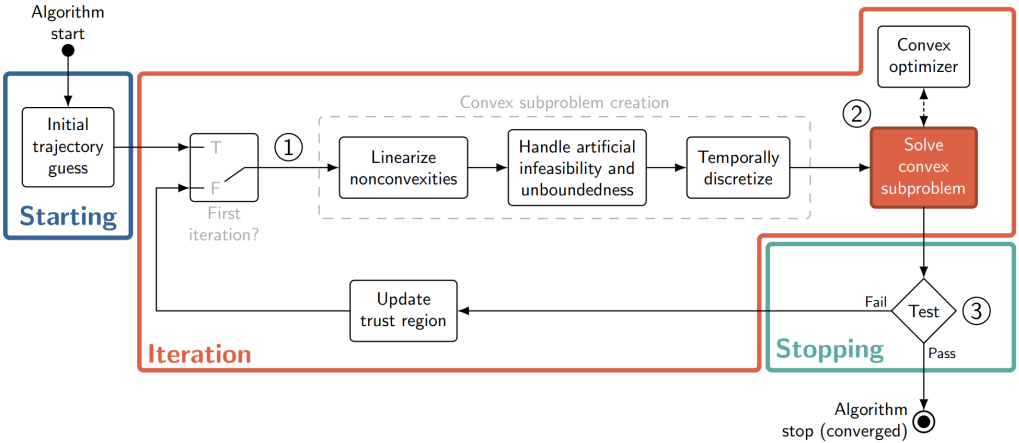
Successive Convex Programming (SCP)



Discrete-time Convex Subproblem

$$\underset{\sigma, x, u}{\text{minimize}} \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} \|u_k\|_2^2 + w_{tr}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} \|x_k - \hat{x}_k\|_2^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} [\|u_k - \hat{u}_k\|_2^2 + (\sigma_k - \hat{\sigma}_k)^2]\right) + w_{vc}\|\nu^c\|_1 + w_{vb}\sum_{k=1}^{K} \nu_k^b$$

subject to $\forall k \in [1, K]$

Discrete Dynamics $x_{k+1} = A_k x_k + B_k u_k + S_k \sigma_k + c_k + \nu_k^c$

Dilation Constraints $\sigma_{\min} \leq \sigma_k \leq \sigma_{\max}$

Max delta-v $\|u_k\|_2 \leq u_{\max}$

Keepout Zone $\|\hat{r}_k - r_c\|_2 + \left(\frac{\hat{r}_k - r_c}{\|\hat{r}_k - r_c\|_2}\right)^\top (r_k - \hat{r}_k) + \nu_k^b \geq \rho$

$\nu_k^b \geq 0$

Max Speed $\|v_k\|_2 \leq v_{\max}$

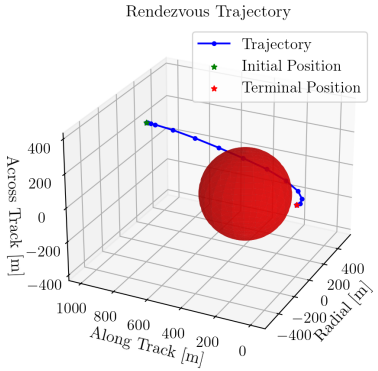
Initial Conditions $r(0) = r_i$

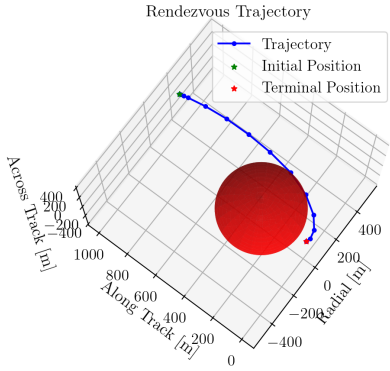
$v(0) = v_i$

Terminal Conditions $r(t_f) = 0_{3\times 1}$

$v(t_f) = 0_{3\times 1}$

Trajectory


Rendezvous Trajectory
Trajectory
Initial Position
Terminal Position
Across Track [m]
400
200
0
−200
−400
Along Track [m]
1000
800
600
400
200
0
Radial [m]
400
200
0
−200
−400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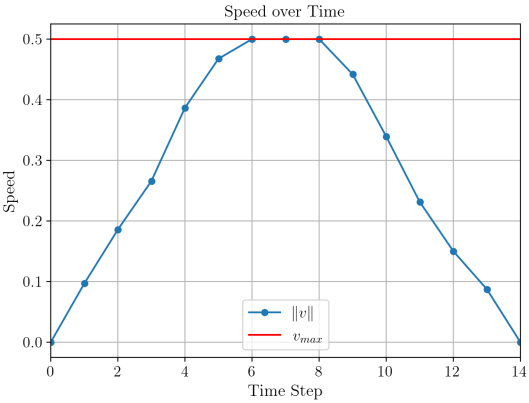
Speed over Time
Speed
Time Step
$\|v\|$
v_{max}
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0.3
0.4
0.5
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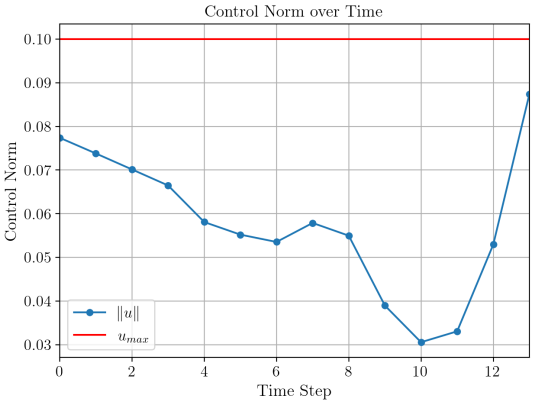
2
4
6
8
10
12
14


Control Norm over Time
Control Norm
Time Step
$\|u\|$
u_{max}
0.03
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0.07
0.08
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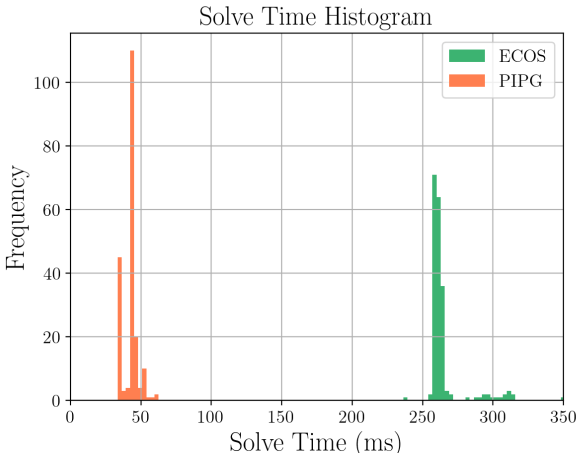
10
12

Speed Results



200 runs, 3 millisecond bins

	ECOS	PIPG
Mean	261ms	**42ms**
Median	267ms	**44ms**
STD	23ms	**5ms**

PIPG is **6.25x** faster even without customization

Summary

PIPG

- Is easy to understand
- Is easy to verify
- Is easy to implement
- Is faster than ECOS