### First-Order Optimization Algorithms II

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### The SDM for Unconstrained Convex Lipschitz Optimization

Here we consider  $f(\mathbf{x})$  being convex and differentiable everywhere and satisfying the (first-order)  $\beta$ -Lipschitz condition. Given the knowledge  $\beta$ , we again adopt the fixed step-size rule:

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = \mathbf{x}^k - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k). \tag{1}$$

**Theorem 1** For convex Lipschitz optimization the Steepest Descent Method generates a sequence of solutions such that

$$f(\mathbf{x}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^*) \leq \frac{\beta}{k+2} \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2 \text{ and } \min_{l=0,...,k} \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^l)\|^2 = \frac{4\beta^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*\|^2,$$

where  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a minimizer of the problem.

**Proof:** For simplicity, we let  $\delta^k = f(\mathbf{x}^k) - f(\mathbf{x}^*) (\geq 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{g}^k = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)$ , and  $\Delta^k = \mathbf{x}^k - \mathbf{x}^*$  in the rest of proof. As we have proved for general Lipschitz optimization

$$\delta^{k+1} - \delta^k = f(\mathbf{x}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^k) \le -\frac{1}{2\beta} \|\mathbf{g}^k\|^2$$
, that is  $\delta^k - \delta^{k+1} \ge \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\mathbf{g}^k\|^2$ . (2)

Furthermore, from the convexity,

$$-\delta^k = f(\mathbf{x}^*) - f(\mathbf{x}^k) \ge (\mathbf{g}^k)^T (\mathbf{x}^* - \mathbf{x}^k) = -(\mathbf{g}^k)^T \Delta^k, \text{ that is } \delta^k \le (\mathbf{g}^k)^T \Delta^k.$$
 (3)

Thus, from (2) and (3)

$$\delta^{k+1} = \delta^{k+1} - \delta^k + \delta^k$$

$$\leq -\frac{1}{2\beta} \|\mathbf{g}^k\|^2 + (\mathbf{g}^k)^T \Delta^k$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\mathbf{x}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^k\|^2 - \beta(\mathbf{x}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^k) \Delta^k, \quad \text{(using (1))}$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} (\|\mathbf{x}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^k\|^2 + 2(\mathbf{x}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^k)^T \Delta^k)$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} (\|\Delta^{k+1} - \Delta^k\|^2 + 2(\Delta^{k+1} - \Delta^k)^T \Delta^k)$$

$$= \frac{\beta}{2} (\|\Delta^k\|^2 - \|\Delta^{k+1}\|^2).$$
(4)

Sum up (4) from 1 to k+1, we have

$$\sum_{l=1}^{k+1} \delta^l \le \frac{\beta}{2} (\|\Delta^0\|^2 - \|\Delta^{k+1}\|^2) \le \frac{\beta}{2} \|\Delta^0\|^2.$$

From the proof of the Corollary 1 of last lecture, we have  $\delta^0 \leq \frac{\beta}{2} ||\Delta^0||^2$ . Thus,

$$\sum_{l=0}^{k+1} \delta^l \le \beta \|\Delta^0\|^2,\tag{5}$$

and

$$\begin{split} \sum_{l=0}^{k+1} \delta^l &= \sum_{l=0}^{k+1} (l+1-l) \delta^l \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{k+1} (l+1) \delta^l - \sum_{l=0}^{k+1} l \delta^l \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^{k+2} l \delta^{l-1} - \sum_{l=1}^{k+1} l \delta^l \\ &= (k+2) \delta^{k+1} + \sum_{l=1}^{k+1} l \delta^{l-1} - \sum_{l=1}^{k+1} l \delta^l \\ &= (k+2) \delta^{k+1} + \sum_{l=1}^{k+1} l (\delta^{l-1} - l \delta^l) \\ &\geq (k+2) \delta^{k+1} + \sum_{l=1}^{k+1} l \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\mathbf{g}^{l-1}\|^2, \end{split}$$

where the first inequality comes from (2). Let  $\|\mathbf{g}'\| = \min_{l=0,...,k} \|\mathbf{g}^l\|$ . Then we finally have

$$(k+2)\delta^{k+1} + \frac{(k+1)(k+2)/2}{2\beta} \|\mathbf{g}'\|^2 \le \beta \|\Delta^0\|^2, \tag{6}$$

which completes the proof.

### The Accelerated Steepest Descent Method (ASDM)

There is an accelerated steepest descent method (Nesterov 83) that works as follows:

$$\lambda^{0} = 0, \ \lambda^{k+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4(\lambda^{k})^{2}}}{2}, \ \alpha^{k} = \frac{1 - \lambda^{k}}{\lambda^{k+1}}, \tag{7}$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} = \mathbf{x}^k - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k), \ \mathbf{x}^{k+1} = (1 - \alpha^k) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} + \alpha^k \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k.$$
 (8)

Note that  $(\lambda^k)^2 = \lambda^{k+1}(\lambda^{k+1} - 1)$ ,  $\lambda^k > k/2$  and  $\alpha^k \le 0$ .

One can prove:

$$f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^*) \le \frac{2\beta}{k^2} ||\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^*||^2, \ \forall k \ge 1.$$

### Convergence Analysis of ASDM

Again for simplification, we let  $\Delta^k = \lambda^k \mathbf{x}^k - (\lambda^k - 1)\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k - \mathbf{x}^*$ ,  $\mathbf{g}^k = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)$  and  $\delta^k = f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k) - f(\mathbf{x}^*) (\geq 0)$  in the following.

Applying Lemma 1 for  $\mathbf{x} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}$  and  $\mathbf{y} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k$ , convexity of f and (8) we have

$$\delta^{k+1} - \delta^{k} = f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) + f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) - f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k})$$

$$\leq -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} + f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) - f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k})$$

$$\leq -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} + (\mathbf{g}^{k})^{T}(\mathbf{x}^{k} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k})$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} - \beta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k})^{T}(\mathbf{x}^{k} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k}).$$
(9)

Applying Lemma 1 for  $\mathbf{x} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}$  and  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x}^*$ , convexity of f and (8) we have

$$\delta^{k+1} = f(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) + f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{*}) 
\leq -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} + f(\mathbf{x}^{k}) - f(\mathbf{x}^{*}) 
\leq -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} + (\mathbf{g}^{k})^{T}(\mathbf{x}^{k} - \mathbf{x}^{*}) 
= -\frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} - \beta(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k})^{T}(\mathbf{x}^{k} - \mathbf{x}^{*}).$$
(10)

Multiplying (9) by  $\lambda^k(\lambda^k-1)$  and (10) by  $\lambda^k$  respectively, and summing the two, we have

$$(\lambda^{k})^{2} \delta^{k+1} - (\lambda^{k-1})^{2} \delta^{k} \leq -(\lambda^{k})^{2} \frac{\beta}{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} - \lambda^{k} \beta (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k})^{T} \Delta^{k}$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} ((\lambda^{k})^{2} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k}\|^{2} + 2\lambda^{k} (\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^{k})^{T} \Delta^{k})$$

$$= -\frac{\beta}{2} (\|\lambda^{k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - (\lambda^{k} - 1) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k} - \mathbf{x}^{*}\|^{2} - \|\Delta^{k}\|^{2})$$

$$= \frac{\beta}{2} (\|\Delta^{k}\|^{2} - \|\lambda^{k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - (\lambda^{k} - 1) \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k} - \mathbf{x}^{*}\|^{2}).$$

Using (7) and (8) we can derive

$$\lambda^k \tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1} - (\lambda^k - 1)\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^k = \lambda^{k+1}\mathbf{x}^{k+1} - (\lambda^{k+1} - 1)\tilde{\mathbf{x}}^{k+1}.$$

Thus,

$$(\lambda^k)^2 \delta^{k+1} - (\lambda^{k-1})^2 \delta^k \le \frac{\beta}{2} (\|\Delta^k\|^2 - \|\Delta^{k+1}\|^2.) \tag{11}$$

Sum up (11) from 1 to k we have

$$\delta^{k+1} \le \frac{\beta}{2(\lambda^k)^2} \|\Delta^1\|^2 \le \frac{2\beta}{k^2} \|\Delta^0\|^2$$

since  $\lambda^k \ge k/2$  and  $\|\Delta^1\| \le \|\Delta^0\|$ .

# First-Order Algorithms for Conic (Nonlinear) Optimization

$$\min f(\mathbf{x})$$
 s.t.  $\mathbf{x} \in K$ .

ullet Nonnegative Linear Regression: given data  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ 

$$\min \ f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{x} \ge \mathbf{0}; \quad \text{where } \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) = A^T (A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}).$$

• Semidefinite Linear Regression: given data  $A_i \in S^n$  for i=1,...,m and  $\mathbf{b} \in R^m$ 

$$\min \ f(X) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathcal{A}X - \mathbf{b}\|^2 \text{ s.t. } X \succeq \mathbf{0}; \quad \text{where } \nabla f(X) = \mathcal{A}^T (\mathcal{A}X - \mathbf{b}).$$

$$\mathcal{A}X = \left( egin{array}{c} A_1 ullet X \\ \dots \\ A_m ullet X \end{array} 
ight) \quad ext{and} \quad \mathcal{A}^T \mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1} y_i A_i.$$

#### SDM with Affine Scaling

Consider the nonnegative regression problem where the optimality conditions are

$$\mathbf{x} \ge \mathbf{0}, \quad \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \ge \mathbf{0}, \quad x_j(\nabla f(\mathbf{x}))_j = 0 \ \forall j.$$

Let an iterate solution  $\mathbf{x}^k > \mathbf{0}$  (for simplicity let each entry of  $\mathbf{x}^k$  be bounded above by 1). Then, we can scale it to  $\mathbf{e}$ , the vector of all ones, by  $\mathbf{x}' = (X^k)^{-1}\mathbf{x}$  where  $X^k$  is the diagonal matrix of vector  $\mathbf{x}^k$ .

$$f'(\mathbf{x}') = f(X^k \mathbf{x}')$$
 where  $\nabla f'(\mathbf{e}) = X^k \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)$ ,

the new SDM iterate would be

$$\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{e} - \alpha_k X^k \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)$$
 and after scaling back  $\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = \mathbf{x}^k - \alpha_k (X^k)^2 \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)$ .

If function f is  $\beta$ -Lipschitz, then so is f' with  $\beta \|\mathbf{x}^k\|_{\infty}^2$ , and we can fix  $\alpha_k = \frac{1}{\beta \|\mathbf{x}^k\|_{\infty}^2}$  (or smaller to keep  $\mathbf{x}^{k+1} > \mathbf{0}$ ) so that

$$f(\mathbf{x}^{k+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^k) \le -\frac{1}{2\beta \|\mathbf{x}^k\|_{\infty}^2} \|X^k \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)\|^2),$$

so that the scaled gradient/complementarity vector  $X^k \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k) / \|\mathbf{x}^k\|_{\infty}$  converging to zero.

### **Affine Scaling for SDP Cone**

Consider the semidefinite regression problem where the optimality conditions are

$$X \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad \nabla f(X) \succeq \mathbf{0}, \quad X \nabla f(X) = \mathbf{0}, \text{ or } X^{1/2} \nabla f(X) X^{1/2} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Let an iterate solution  $X^k \succ \mathbf{0}$ . Then, one can scale it to I, the identity matrix, by  $X' = (X^k)^{-1/2} X(X^k)^{-1/2}$ . Now consider the objective function after scaling

$$f'(X') = f((X^k)^{1/2}X'(X^k)^{1/2}) \quad \text{where} \quad \nabla f'(I) = (X^k)^{1/2}\nabla f(X^k)(X^k)^{1/2},$$

the new SDM iterate would be

$$X' = I - \alpha_k(X^k)^{1/2} \nabla f(X^k)(X^k)^{1/2} \quad \text{and after scaling back} \quad X^{k+1} = X^k - \alpha_k X^k \nabla f(X^k) X^k.$$

If function f is  $\beta$ -Lipschitz, then so is f' with with  $\beta\|X^k\|_\infty^2$ , , and we can fix  $\alpha_k=\frac{1}{\beta\|X^k\|_\infty^2}$  (or smaller to keep  $X^{k+1}\succ \mathbf{0}$ ) so that

$$f(X^{k+1}) - f(X^k) \le -\frac{1}{2\beta \|X^k\|_{\infty}^2} \|(X^k)^{1/2} \nabla f(X^k)(X^k)^{1/2}\|^2,$$

so that the scaled gradient/complementarity matrix converging to zero...

# Conic Optimization with the Logarithmic Barrier

But one condition may be missing:  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \geq \mathbf{0}$  and  $\nabla f(X) \succeq \mathbf{0}$ , respectively...

One may add a barrier regularization:

$$\min \phi(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mu B(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $B(\mathbf{x})$  is a barrier function keeping  $\mathbf{x}$  in the interior of cone K and  $\mu$  is a positive barrier parameter.

 $\bullet \ K = R_+^n:$ 

$$B(\mathbf{x}) = -\sum_{j} \log(x_{j}), \quad \nabla B(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{x_{1}} \\ \dots \\ \frac{-1}{x_{n}} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n}.$$

• 
$$K = S_+^n$$
:

$$B(X) = -\log(\det(X)), \quad \nabla B(X) = -X^{-1} \in S^n.$$

### Optimality Conditions for Optimization with Logarithmic Barrier

• Optimization in Nonnegative Cone (x > 0):

$$\nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu X^{-1} \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{0}, \ X = \operatorname{diag}(\mathbf{x}),$$

and the scaled gradient vector:

$$X\nabla\phi(\mathbf{x}) = X\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu\mathbf{e}$$

and it converges to zero implies  $\nabla f(\mathbf{x}) > \mathbf{0}$  for any positive  $\mu$ . In practice, we set  $\mu = \epsilon$  tolerance.

• Optimization in Semidefinite Cone ( $X \succ 0$ ):

$$\nabla \phi(X) = \nabla f(X) - \mu X^{-1} = \mathbf{0},$$

and the scaled gradient matrix:

$$X^{1/2}\nabla\phi(X)X^{1/2} = X^{1/2}\nabla f(X)X^{1/2} - \mu I$$

and it converges to zero implies  $\nabla f(X) \succ \mathbf{0}$  for any positive  $\mu$ .

#### **General Barrier and Penalty**

We consider the general constrained optimization:

(GCO) 
$$\min f(\mathbf{x})$$
 s.t.  $c_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0, \ i \in \mathcal{E},$   $c_i(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0, \ i \in \mathcal{I}.$ 

We can convert it to an unconstrained problem:

min 
$$f(\mathbf{x}) + \lambda \sum_{i \in \mathcal{E}} |c_i(\mathbf{x})| - \mu \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \log(c_i(\mathbf{x}))$$

where  $\lambda$  is sufficiently large and  $\mu$  is sufficiently small.

Not robust if a high accuracy is desired...

A remedy strategy is to adjust  $\lambda$  is sufficiently large and  $\mu$  dynamically, or use a projected gradient or reduced gradient first-order method, such as the Simplex Method of Dantzig...

### **Projected Gradient Method for Conic Optimization**

Consider the nonnegative cone. At any iterate solution  $\mathbf{x}^k \geq 0$ , we project the gradient vector to the feasible direction space at  $\mathbf{x}^k$ :

$$g_j^k = \begin{cases} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)_j & \text{if } x_j^k > 0 \text{ or } \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)_j < 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then we apply the SDM with the projected gradient vector  $\mathbf{g}^k$ , that is, take a largest stepsize  $\alpha$  such that

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = \mathbf{x}^k - \alpha \mathbf{g}^k \ge \mathbf{0}, \ 0 \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{\beta}.$$

Another Approach: we directly project the SDM iterate to the nonnegative cone in each step:

$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = \max\{0, \ \mathbf{x}^k - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^k)\}.$$

Does it converge? What's the difference of the two? What is the convergence speed? (Consider it a bonus question to Problem 6 of HW3.)

### The Simplex Algorithm for LP: Reduced Gradient Method

LP: 
$$\min \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$$
 s.t.  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \ \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0},$ 

where  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  has a full row rank m.

**Theorem 2** (The Fundamental Theorem of LP in Algebraic form) Given (LP) and (LD) where A has full row rank m,

- i) if there is a feasible solution, there is a basic feasible solution (Carathéodory's theorem);
- ii) if there is an optimal solution, there is an optimal basic solution.

#### High-Level Idea:

- 1. Initialization Start at a BSF or corner point of the feasible polyhedron.
- 2. Test for Optimality. Compute the reduced gradient vector at the corner. If no descent and feasible direction can be found, stop and claim optimality at the current corner point; otherwise, select a new corner point and go to Step 2.

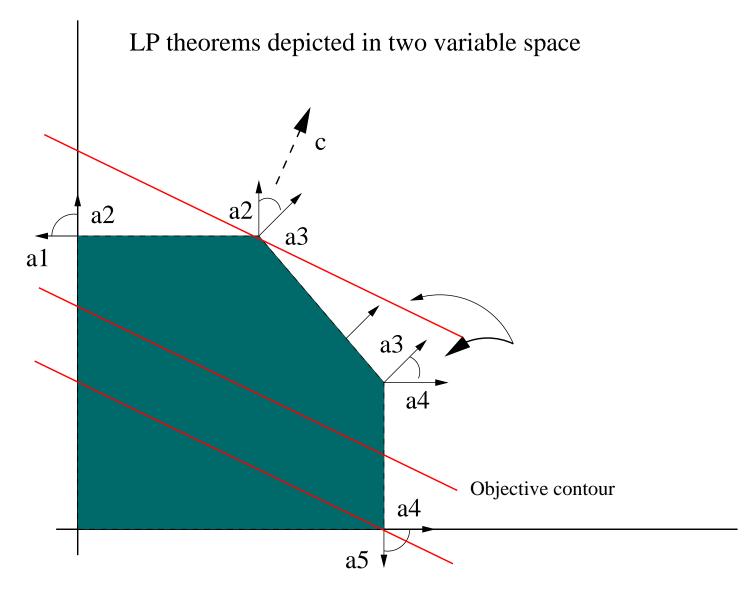


Figure 1: The LP Simplex Method

### When a Basic Feasible Solution is Optimal

Suppose the basis of a basic feasible solution is  $A_B$  and the rest is  $A_N$ . One can transform the equality constraint to

$$A_B^{-1}A\mathbf{x} = A_B^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$
, so that  $\mathbf{x}_B = A_B^{-1}\mathbf{b} - A_B^{-1}A_N\mathbf{x}_N$ .

That is, we express  $x_B$  in terms of  $x_N$ , the non-basic variables are active for constraints  $x \ge 0$ .

Then the objective function equivalently becomes

$$\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{x}_B + \mathbf{c}_N^T \mathbf{x}_N = \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N \mathbf{x}_N + \mathbf{c}_N^T \mathbf{x}_N$$
$$= \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{c}_N^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} A_N) \mathbf{x}_N.$$

Vector  $\mathbf{r}^T = \mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} A$  is called the Reduced Gradient/Cost Vector where  $\mathbf{r}_B = \mathbf{0}$  always.

**Theorem 3** If Reduced Gradient Vector  $\mathbf{r}^T = \mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} A \geq \mathbf{0}$ , then the BFS is optimal.

**Proof**: Let  $\mathbf{y}^T = \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1}$  (called Shadow Price Vector), then  $\mathbf{y}$  is a dual feasible solution ( $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{c} - A^T \mathbf{y} \ge \mathbf{0}$ ) and  $\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{c}_B^T A_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{b}$ , that is, the duality gap is zero.

# The Simplex Algorithm Procedures

- 0. Initialize Start a BFS with basic index set B and let N denote the complementary index set.
- 1. Test for Optimality: Compute the Reduced Gradient Vector  ${f r}$  at the current BFS and let

$$r_e = \min_{j \in N} \{r_j\}.$$

If  $r_e \geq 0$ , stop – the current BFS is optimal.

2. Determine the Replacement: Increase  $x_e$  while keep all other non-basic variables at the zero value (inactive) and maintain the equality constraints:

$$\mathbf{x}_B = A_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} - A_B^{-1} A_{.e} x_e \ (\ge \mathbf{0}).$$

If  $x_e$  can be increased to  $\infty$ , stop – the problem is unbounded below. Otherwise, let the basic variable  $x_o$  be the one first becoming 0.

3. Update basis: update B with  $x_o$  being replaced by  $x_e$ , and return to Step 1.

# A Toy Example

minimize 
$$-x_1$$
  $-2x_2$  subject to  $x_1$   $+x_3$   $=1$   $x_2$   $+x_4$   $=1$   $x_1$   $+x_2$   $+x_5$   $=1.5.$ 

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1.5 \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{c}^T = (-1 - 2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0).$$

Consider initial BFS with basic variables  $B = \{3, 4, 5\}$  and  $N = \{1, 2\}$ .

#### Iteration 1:

1.  $A_B = I$ ,  $A_B^{-1} = I$ ,  $\mathbf{y}^T = (0\ 0\ 0)$  and  $\mathbf{r}_N = (-1\ -2)$  – it's NOT optimal. Let e=2.

2. Increase  $x_2$  while

$$\mathbf{x}_B = A_B^{-1}\mathbf{b} - A_B^{-1}A_{.2}x_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1.5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} x_2.$$

We see  $x_4$  becomes 0 first.

3. The new basic variables are  $B = \{3, 2, 5\}$  and  $N = \{1, 4\}$ .

#### **Iteration 2**:

1.

$$A_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

 $\mathbf{y}^T = (0 \ -2 \ 0)$  and  $\mathbf{r}_N = (-1 \ 2)$  – it's NOT optimal. Let e=1.

2. Increase  $x_1$  while

$$\mathbf{x}_B = A_B^{-1}\mathbf{b} - A_B^{-1}A_{.1}x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} x_1.$$

We see  $x_5$  becomes 0 first.

3. The new basic variables are  $B = \{3, 2, 1\}$  and  $N = \{4, 5\}$ .

#### **Iteration 3:**

1.

$$A_B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{y}^T = (0 \ -1 \ -1)$$
 and  $\mathbf{r}_N = (1 \ 1)$  – it's Optimal.

Is the Simplex Method always convergent to a minimizer? Which condition of the Global Convergence Theorem failed?