

一些算法收敛性的证明

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摘 要

本文主要为几种算法的收敛性介绍及证明, 包括的算法介绍主要是:

关键词: constraints; GLM; β -smooth function; α -strong convex function; Projected GD; proximal gradient descent; subgradient; G_γ function; Accelerated GD; ADMM; Duality;

1 常见的约束条件

1. $\Omega_1 = \text{nonnegative}$
2. $\Omega_2 = \text{Box}$
3. $\Omega_3 = \{l_2 - \text{ball}\}$
4. $\Omega_4 = \text{Affine}$ 以上适合用 projected GD, 下面的适合用 proximal GD
5. $\Omega_5 = \{x | x \geq 0, 1^T x = 1\}$
6. $\Omega_6 = \{x | \|x\|^2 \leq s\}$
7. $\Omega_7 = \|x\|_1 \leq s$
8. $\Omega_8 = \{x | \|x\|_q \leq 1, 0 < q < 1\}$

2 GLM

首先先给出 GLM 的模型推导, 因为这个模型后面经常用。

Dataset is $\{(a_i, b_i)\}^N, a_i \in R^p, b_i \in R, f: R^p \rightarrow R, \text{logistic regression: } \min_x \{\sum_{i=1}^N \log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) - b^T Ax\}$

上面这个模型是怎么样得到的, 因为我们有假设

$$\log\left(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}\right) = a_i^T x \Rightarrow p_i = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-a_i^T x)} \Rightarrow 1 - p_i = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(a_i^T x)}$$

logistic 模型本质是一个似然估计思想, 将其看成一个 Bernoulli distribution

$$\begin{aligned} f(b_i | p_i) &= p_i^{b_i} (1 - p_i)^{1-b_i} \Rightarrow \log(f) = -\log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) + b_i a_i^T x \\ &\Rightarrow \Pi_{i=1}^N \log(b_i | p_i) = \Sigma_{i=1}^N (-\log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) + b_i a_i^T x) \end{aligned}$$

对于上式取极大, 即得到取极小的定理

$$\min_x \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) - b^T Ax \right\} \quad (1)$$

3 General Gradient Descent(略)

4 GD for β -smooth function

Definition 4.1. a function f is called β -smooth function, if $\forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f), \|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\|^2 \leq \beta \|x - y\|^2, \beta > 0$

1. ex1: $f(x) = b^T Ax \Rightarrow \nabla f(x) = A^T b, \forall x, y, \|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| = 0$, 因此其 $\beta = 0$ 为 0-smooth function.
2. ex2: $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|Ax\|^2, \nabla f(x) = A^T Ax \Rightarrow \|A^T A(x - y)\| \leq \lambda_{\max} A^T A \|x - y\|$, 因此其为一个 $\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$ -smooth function (where $\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$ 表示是矩阵 $A^T A$ 的最大特征值).

引理 4.1. $\forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f)$ f is β -smooth function $f(y) \leq f(x) + (\nabla f(x), y - x) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - y\|^2$

证明.

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(t) &= f(x + t(y - x)), g(0) = f(x), g(1) = f(y) \\
 \therefore f(y) - f(x) &= g(1) - g(0) = \int_0^1 g'(t) dt = \int_0^1 (\nabla f(x + t(y - x)), (y - x)) dt \\
 f(y) - f(x) - (\nabla f(x), y - x) &= \int_0^1 (\nabla f(x + t(y - x)) - \nabla f(x), y - x) dt \\
 &\stackrel{CS\text{-inequality}}{\leq} \int_0^1 \|\nabla f(x + t(y - x)) - \nabla f(x)\| \|y - x\| dt \\
 &\leq \int_0^1 t\beta \|y - x\|^2 dt = \frac{\beta}{2} \|y - x\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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Definition 4.2. $M_t(x) = f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), x - x_t) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x_t - x\|^2$

1. from lemma, we know $f(x) \leq m_t(x)$
2. $\nabla m_t(x) = \beta(x_t - x) + \nabla f(x_t) \Rightarrow x_{t+1} = x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t)$ (根据凸函数的非负加权合仍为凸函数, 所以导数为 0 的地方, 其达到值最小)
3. $\Rightarrow f(x_{t+1}) \leq m_t(x_{t+1}) \leq m_t(x_t) = f(x_t)$

上面的证明回答了为什么对于 β -smooth function $\frac{1}{\beta}$ 是一个较好的步长选择
因此对于 linear regression 来说

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N (a_i^T x) - b^T Ax &\Rightarrow \beta = \lambda_{\max}(A^T A) \\
 \Rightarrow x_{t+1} &= x_t - 1/\lambda_{\max}(A^T A) \nabla L(x_t)
 \end{aligned}$$

定理 4.2. Suppose that f is β -smooth function $x^{t+1} = x^t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x^t)$ then

$$\min_t \|\nabla f(x_t)\| \leq \sqrt{\frac{2\beta f(x_0)}{T}} \xrightarrow{T} 0$$

定理 4.3. f is a convex and β -smooth function, $x_{t+1} = x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t)$, then

$$f(x_T) - f(x^*) \leq \frac{\beta}{2T} \|x^T - x^*\|^2$$

证明.

$$M_t(x) = f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), x - x_t) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x_t - x\|^2$$

$$\nabla m_t(x) = \nabla f(x_t) + \beta(x - x_t)$$

$$\nabla^2 m_t(x) = \beta I \geq \beta I$$

因此 $m_t(x)$ 为一个 β -strong convex function

$$\Rightarrow m_t(y) \geq m_t(x) + (\nabla m_t(x), y - x) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x_t - x\|^2$$

denote $y = x^*, x = x^{t+1}$

$$m_t(x^*) \geq m_t(x_{t+1}) + (\nabla m_t(x_{t+1}), x^* - x_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2$$

$$\geq m_t(x_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2$$

由 $m_t(x)$ 的性质 (1) 可以知道

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_{t+1}) &\leq m_t(x_{t+1}) \leq (m_t(x^*) = m_t(x_t)) - \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ &\stackrel{\text{definition-}m_t(x)}{\leq} f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), x^* - x_t) + \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_t\|^2 - \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2\} \\ &\stackrel{\text{convex}}{\leq} f(x^*) + \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_t\|^2 - \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore f(x_{t+1}) - f^* \leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_t\|^2 - \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2\}$$

$$\therefore f(x_t) - f^* \leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_{t-1}\|^2 - \|x^* - x_t\|^2\}$$

\vdots

$$\sum_{t=0}^T f(x_t) - T f(x_0) \leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_{t-1}\|^2 - \|x^* - x_t\|^2\}$$

之后再两边同时除以 T 就得证了。

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5 α -strong convex function

Definition 5.1. α -strong convex function iff

$$\forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f) \quad f(y) \geq f(x) + (\nabla f(x), y - x) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|y - x\|^2$$

引理 5.1. $f(x)$ is α -strong convex function $\iff f(x) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x\|^2$ is convex

定理 5.2. $f \in C^1$ [continuous and differentiable], then the following arguments are equalent:

1. f is α -strong convex
2. $(\nabla f(y) - \nabla f(x), y - x) \geq \alpha \|x - y\|^2$
3. $f \in C^2, \nabla^2 f(x) \geq \alpha I$

定理 5.3. Assume that f is α -strong convex and β -smooth function

$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t)$$

then $\|x_T - x^*\| \leq \exp(-\frac{T}{\tau}) \|x^0 - x^*\|$ where $\tau = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)}{\lambda_{\min}(A^T A)}$

证明.

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{t+1} - x^*\|^2 &= \left\| x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) - x^* \right\|^2 \\ &= \|x_t - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 - \frac{2}{\beta} (\nabla f(x_t), x_t - x^*) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x^*) &\geq f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), x^* - x_t) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x^* - x_t\|^2 \\ \therefore (\nabla f(x_t), x^* - x_t) &\leq f(x^*) - f(x_t) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x^* - x_t\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{式 ??} \leq \|x_t - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 + \frac{2}{\beta} (f(x^*) - f(x_t) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x^* - x_t\|^2)$$

$$\leq (1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta}) \|x_t - x^*\|^2 - \frac{2}{\beta} (f(x_t) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 - f^*)$$

denote

$$\begin{aligned} m_t(x) &\triangleq f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), x - x_t) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - x_t\|^2 \\ x_{t+1} &= \operatorname{argmin}_x (m_t(x)) = -\frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) + x_t \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\therefore m_t(x_{t+1}) = f(x_t) + (\nabla f(x_t), -\frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t)) + \frac{\beta}{2} \left\| -\frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) \right\|^2 = f(x_t) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2$$

we know

$$f^* \leq f(x_{t+1}) \leq m_t(x_{t+1}) \Rightarrow (f(x_t) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 - f^*) > 0$$

$$\|x_{t+1} - x^*\|^2 \stackrel{\text{由最开始的式子}}{\leq} (1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta}) \|x_t - x^*\|^2$$

递推得到

$$\|x_T - x^*\|^2 \leq (1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta})^{t+1} \|x_0 - x^*\|^2$$

$$\stackrel{\text{by } (1-x)^t \leq \exp(-xt) (0 < x < 1)}{\Rightarrow} \text{done}$$

□

6 Projected GD

some constraints

1. non-convex $\Omega = \{x \mid \|x\|_q \leq R\} (0 < q < 1)$ where $\|x\|_q = (\sum |x_i|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}}$
2. group sparse constraints: $\Omega = \{x \mid \|x\|^2 \leq R\}$

定理 6.1.

$$\min f(x) \text{ s.t. } x \in \Omega$$

step1: given $x_0, t=0$

$$\text{step2: } y_{t+1} = x_t + \gamma_t h_t, h_t = -\nabla f(x_t)$$

$$x_{t+1} = \Pi_{\Omega}(y_{t+1}) \in \Omega$$

Definition 6.1. the projection of a point y on the set C is

$$\Pi_{\Omega}(y) = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in C} \|x - y\|$$

ex1:(nonnegative)

$$\Omega = \{x | x \geq 0\} \Pi_{\Omega}(y) = \max(y, 0)$$

ex2:(l_2-ball)

$$\Omega = \{x | \|x\|^2 \leq 1\}$$

$$\Pi_{\Omega}(y) = \begin{cases} y, & \|y\|^2 \leq 1 \\ \frac{y}{\|y\|^2}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

ex3:(affine constrain)

$$\Omega = \{A_{n \times p} x_{p \times 1} = b_{n \times 1}\}$$

$$y^{\perp} = y - \Pi_{\Omega}(y) = y - Ax^*$$

$$(y^{\perp}, Ax) = 0 (\text{for } \forall x) \Rightarrow (y - Ax^*)^T A = 0 \Rightarrow A^T Ax^* = A^T y$$

if $A^T A$ is invertable $x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$

example:

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \text{ s.t. } x \geq 0$$

$$x_{t+1} = \max(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta}(Ax_t - b), 0)$$

$$(\text{where } \beta = \lambda_{\max}(A^T A))$$

定理 6.2. f is convex, differentiable, we denote an algorithms

$$\begin{cases} y_{t+1} = x_t - \gamma \nabla f(x_t) (\gamma = \frac{R}{L\sqrt{T}}) \\ x_{t+1} = \Pi_{\Omega}(y_{t+1}) \end{cases}$$

$\{x_t\}_{t=1}^T$ if we suppose

$$\|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 \leq L, \|x_1 - x^*\| = R$$

then

$$f(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T x_t) - f^* \leq \frac{RL}{\sqrt{T}}$$

证明. convex function so we have

$$f(x_t) - f^* \leq (\nabla f(x_t), x_t - x^*) = \frac{1}{\gamma}(x_t - y_{t+1}, x_t - x^*)$$

$$\text{by } \|a\|^2 + \|b\|^2 = \|a - b\|^2 + 2(a, b)$$

上式 =

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_t - y_{t+1}\|^2 + \|x_t - x^*\|^2 - \|x^* - y_{t+1}\|^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_t - x^*\|^2 - \|x^* - y_{t+1}\|^2) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

by $\|x^* - y_{t+1}\|^2 \geq \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2$ (由于 x^* 在 Ω 空间内故距离在减小) 故上式

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_t - x^*\|^2 - \|x^* - x_{t+1}\|^2 + \frac{L^2\gamma}{2}) \\ \therefore f(x_1) & \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_1 - x^*\|^2 - \|x_2 - x^*\|^2 + \frac{L^2\gamma}{2}) \end{aligned}$$

\vdots

$$f(x_T) - f^* \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_T - x^*\|^2 + \|x_{T+1} - x^*\|^2 + \frac{L^2\gamma}{2})$$

累加即可得到

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=1}^T f(x_t) - Tf^* & \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}(\|x_1 - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{T+1} - x^*\|^2) + \frac{L^2\gamma T}{2} \\ \Rightarrow f\left(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T x_t\right) - f^* & \leq \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T f(x_t) - f^* \leq \frac{R}{2\gamma T} + \frac{L^2\gamma}{2} \stackrel{C-S}{\leq} \dots \end{aligned}$$

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7 proximal gradient descent

在考虑 proximal gradient descent 前，需要先考虑如何将 constrained optimization covert to non-constrained optimization by using indicator function, we have:

$$\min_{x \in R^d} f(x) + \delta_{\Omega}(x)$$

indicator function

$$\delta_{\Omega}(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \in \Omega \\ +\infty, & \text{if } x \notin \Omega \end{cases}$$

所以在 constraint 里面在的 x 可以认为其就是在做原始的优化问题，不在 constraint 里面的 x ，则必不可能是最优解。

ex : $\min \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \text{ s.t. } \|x\|_1 \leq S \iff \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1 \right\}$ 当 s 足够大 ($\rightarrow \infty$) 时, $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ 取小, 反之 s 取大时, λ 取大, 故二者等价。

$$\min_{x \in R^d} h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$$

where f is a convex- β -function, g is a convex function

define

$$\begin{aligned}
m_t(x) &= (\nabla f(x_t), x - x_t) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - x_t\|^2 + g(x) \\
&= f(x_t) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2 + \frac{\beta}{2} \left\| x - \left(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) \right) \right\|^2 + g(x) \\
\therefore \min_x m_t(x) &\iff \min_x \left\{ \frac{\beta}{2} \left\| x - \left(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) \right) \right\|^2 + g(x) \right\} \\
\because h(x_{t+1}) &\leq m_t(x_{t+1}) \leq m_t(x_t) = h(x_t) \\
x_{t+1} &= \operatorname{argmin}_x \left\{ \frac{\beta}{2} \left\| x - \left(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) \right) \right\|^2 + g(x) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

是有道理的，使函数值减小

记

$$\begin{aligned}
x_{t+1} &= \operatorname{prox}_{\frac{1}{\gamma}g}(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t)) = \operatorname{argmin}_x \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left\| x - \left(x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla f(x_t) \right) \right\|^2 + g(x) \right\} \\
\operatorname{prox}_{\gamma g} &= \operatorname{argmin}_x \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|x - z\|^2 + g(x) \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

ex1:

$$\begin{aligned}
\min_x \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|x - z\|^2 + \delta_{\Omega}(x) \right\} &\iff \min_{x \in \Omega} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|x - z\|^2 \right\} \\
\therefore \operatorname{prox}_{\gamma \delta_{\Omega}(x)}(z) &= \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in \Omega} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|x - z\|^2 \right\} = \Pi_{\Omega}(z)
\end{aligned}$$

ex2:(lasso)

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \quad s.t. \|x\|_1 \leq s \iff \min_{x \in R^d} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1 \right\} \iff \min_x \sum_{j=1}^P \left(\frac{1}{2} (x_j - z_j)^2 + \lambda |x_j| \right)$$

等价于求解 p 个最小化问题

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \quad g(x) = \lambda \|x\|_1 \quad \beta = \lambda_{\max}(A^T A)$$

8 subgradient

Definition 8.1. A subgradient of a convex possible non-smooth function $h : R^T \rightarrow R$ at point x is vector $v \in R^p$ such that $h(y) \geq h(x) + (v, y - x), \forall y \in \operatorname{dom}(h)$; for differentiable function, $f(y) \geq f(x) + (\nabla f(x), y - x)$

Definition 8.2. subdifferential of h at point x is a set that contained all the subgradient of h at point x i.e. denote as $\partial h(x) = \{v | v \text{ is the subgradient of } h \text{ at point } x\}$

$$\text{ex1: } h(x) = |x| \text{ it's } \partial h(x)|_0 = [-1, 1]$$

$$\text{ex2: } h(x) = \max(x, 0) \text{ it's } \partial h(x)|_0 = [0, 1]$$

引理 8.1. $0 \in \partial h(x) \iff x$ is a global minimum

证明. if $0 \in \partial h(x) \Rightarrow h(y) \geq h(x) + (0, y - x)$

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关于如何求解这个一维优化问题

$$\min_x \sum_{j=1}^P \left(\frac{1}{2} (x_j - z_j)^2 + \lambda |x_j| \right)$$

1. when $x_j > 0$, we have $\frac{\partial L(x_j)}{\partial x_j} = \beta(x_j - z_j) + \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x_j = z_j - \frac{\lambda}{\beta}$
2. when $x_j < 0$, we have $\frac{\partial L(x_j)}{\partial x_j} = \beta(x_j - z_j) - \lambda = 0 \Rightarrow x_j = z_j + \frac{\lambda}{\beta}$
3. when $x_j = 0$, $0 \in \partial L(0) \iff 0 \in \beta(x_j - z_j) + \lambda \partial |x_j| \iff \beta(z_j - x_j) \in \lambda \partial |x_j|$, 当 $x_j = 0$ 时,
 $z_j \in [-\frac{\lambda}{\beta}, \frac{\lambda}{\beta}]$

Definition 8.3.

$$x_j^* = \begin{cases} z_j - \frac{\lambda}{\beta} & , z_j > \frac{\lambda}{\beta} \\ 0 & , z_j \in \left[-\frac{\lambda}{\beta}, \frac{\lambda}{\beta}\right] \\ z_j + \frac{\lambda}{\beta} & , z_j < -\frac{\lambda}{\beta} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

记 soft thresholding 为 $x_j^* = \text{sgn}(z)(|z| - \frac{\lambda}{\beta})_+ = S_{\frac{\lambda}{\beta}}(z_j)$

$$\text{sgn}(z) = \begin{cases} 1 & , z > 0 \\ -1 & , z < 0 \\ 0 & , z = 0 \end{cases}$$

因此要解决 **lasso** 问题采用的梯度下降法为 $x_j^* = \text{sgn}(z)(|z| - \frac{\lambda}{\beta})_+$ 其中 $z_j = x_t - \frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)} A^T (Ax_t - b)$ 即为 $x^* = S_{\frac{\lambda}{\beta}}(x_t - \frac{1}{\lambda_{\max}(A^T A)} A^T (Ax_t - b))$

9 G_γ function

Definition 9.1. $G_\gamma(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma}(x - x^*)$, where $x^* = \text{prox}_{\gamma g}(z) = \text{argmin} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|x - z\|^2 + g(x) \right\}$ where $z = x - \gamma \nabla f(x)$

若用迭代, 则有 $x^* = \text{prox}_{\gamma g}(x - \gamma \nabla f(x)) \Rightarrow x^* = x - \gamma \nabla f(x) \Rightarrow \nabla f(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma}(x - x^*)$ (当 g 为 0 不存在时)

引理 9.1. $G_\gamma(x) = 0 \iff 0 \in \partial h(x)$ furthermore we have that $G_\gamma(x) - \nabla f(x) \in \partial g(x)$

证明.

$$x^+ = \text{argmin}_y \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|y - (x - \gamma \nabla f(x))\|^2 + g(y) \right\}$$

when it's minimum, we have

$$0 \in \partial L(x^+) = \frac{1}{\gamma}(x^+ - (x - \gamma \nabla f(x))) + \partial g(x^+) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\gamma}(x - x^+) \in \nabla f(x) + \partial g(x^+)$$

if

$$x = x^+, G_\gamma(x) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 \in \nabla f(x^+) + \partial g(x^+) = \partial L(x^+)$$

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下面的一系列定理都非常重要 (主定理的延伸)

定理 9.2. $h(x) = f(x) + g(x)$, $f(x)$ is a α -strong convex, β -smooth function.

$g(x)$ is a convex function,

$$G_\gamma(x) = \frac{1}{\gamma}(x - x^+),$$

where $x^+ = \operatorname{argmin}_y \left\{ \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|y - (x - \gamma \nabla f(x))\|^2 + g(x) \right\}$,

then $\forall y \in \operatorname{dom}(h)$

$$h(y) \geq h(x^+) + (G_\gamma, y - x) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|y - x\|^2 + \gamma(1 - \frac{\gamma\beta}{2}) \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2$$

推论. α could be zero, $h(y) \geq h(x^+) + (G_\gamma, y - x) + \gamma(1 - \frac{\gamma\beta}{2}) \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2$

推论. $\gamma = \frac{1}{\beta}, x = y \Rightarrow h(x^+) \leq h(x) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2$

recall β -smooth function $f(x_{t+1}) \leq f(x_t) - \frac{1}{2\beta} \|\nabla f(x_t)\|^2$

推论. $\gamma = \frac{1}{\beta}, G_\gamma = \beta(x - x^+), \alpha = 0$

$$h(y) \geq h(x^+) + \beta(x - x^+, y - x) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x - x^+\|^2$$

x 与 y 互换则有

$$h(x) \geq h(x^+) + \beta(y - x^+, x - y) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y - x^+\|^2$$

证明.

$$h(x^+) = f(x - \gamma G_\gamma(x)) = f(x - \gamma G_\gamma(x)) + g(x^+)$$

by β - smooth convex function lemma1,

$$\leq f(x) - \gamma(\nabla f(x), G_\gamma(x)) + \frac{\beta\gamma^2}{2} \|G_\gamma\|^2 + g(x^+)$$

by α - strong convex function Definition

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq f(y) + (\nabla f(x), x - y) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2 - \gamma(\nabla f(x), G_\gamma) + \frac{\beta\gamma^2}{2} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 + g(x^+) \\ &= f(y) + (\nabla f(x), x^+ - y) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \frac{\beta\gamma^2}{2} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 + g(x^+) \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

by $G_\gamma(x) - \nabla f(x) \in g(x^+)$, we have

$$g(y) \geq g(x^+) + (G_\gamma(x) - \nabla f(x), y - x^+)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore &\leq f(y) + (\nabla f(x), x^+ - y) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \frac{\beta\gamma^2}{2} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 + g(y) + (G_\gamma(x) - \nabla f(x), x^+ - y) \\ &\stackrel{\text{合并同类项}}{\leq} h(y) + (G_\gamma, x^+ - y) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \frac{\beta\gamma^2}{2} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 \\ &\stackrel{x^+ = x - \gamma G_\gamma(x)}{=} h(y) + (G_\gamma(x), x - y) - \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2 + \gamma(\frac{\beta\gamma}{2} - 1) \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

□

定理 9.3. If $h = f + g$, f is β -smooth, convex g is convex >

$$h(x_T) - h(x^*) \leq \frac{\beta}{2T} \|x_1 - x^*\|^2$$

in addition, if f is α - strong convex function, we have

$$\|x_T - x^*\|^2 \leq \exp(-\frac{\alpha}{\beta}T) \|x - x^*\|^2$$

证明.

$$h(x^*) \geq h(x_{t+1}) + (G_\gamma(x_t), x^* - x_t) + \frac{1}{2\beta} \|G_\gamma(x_t)\|^2$$

where $G_\gamma(x_t) = \beta(x_t - x_{t-1})$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x_{t+1}) - h^* &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{2(x_t - x_{t-1}, x^* - x_t) + \|x_t - x_{t-1}\|^2\} \\ &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} \{\|x^* - x_{t-1}\|^2 - \|x_t - x_{t-1}\|^2\} \\ &\vdots \end{aligned}$$

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$$h(x_T) - h^* \leq \frac{\beta}{2T} \|x_1 - x^*\|^2$$

□

证明 2.

$$\|x_{t+1} - x^*\|^2 = \left\|x_t - \frac{1}{\beta} G_\gamma(x_t) - x^*\right\|^2 = \|x_t - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \|G_\gamma(x_t)\|^2 - \frac{2}{\beta} (G_\gamma(x_t), x_t - x^*)$$

由推论第三条知:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \geq h^* - h(x_{t+1}) &\geq (G_\gamma(x_t), x^* - x_t) + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x^* - x_t\|^2 + \frac{1}{2\beta} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 \\ &\Rightarrow (G_\gamma(x_t), x_t - x^*) \geq \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x^* - x_t\|^2 + \frac{1}{2\beta} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 \\ \|x_{t+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \|x_t - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{\beta^2} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 - \frac{2}{\beta} \left(\frac{1}{2\beta} \|G_\gamma(x)\|^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x_t - x^*\|^2\right) \\ &= (1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta}) \|x_t - x^*\|^2 \\ &\Rightarrow \|x_T - x^*\|^2 \leq (1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta})^T \|x_1 - x^*\|^2 \stackrel{T \rightarrow \infty}{\Rightarrow} \exp(1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} T) \|x_1 - x^*\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

□

10 Accelerated GD

定理 10.1. (optional rate for β - smooth function) let $T \leq \frac{P-1}{2}, \beta \geq 0$, there exists a β -smooth convex quadratic f such that

$$\min_{1 \leq t \leq T} (f(x_t) - f^*) \geq \frac{3\beta \|x_0 - x^*\|^2}{32(1+T)^2}$$

$\min_x h(x)$ **AGD**: $x_0, y_1 = x_0, a_0 = 1$

1. step1: $x_t = y_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla h(y_t)$
2. step2: $a_{t+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4a_t^2}}{2}$
3. step3: $y_{t+1} = x_t + \frac{a_t - 1}{a_{t+1}} (x_{t-1} - x_t)$

more general: **A proximal GD**

$\min \{h(x) = f(x) + g(x)\}$ where f is a convex β - smooth function and g is a convex function

1. step1: $x_t = \text{Prox}_{g/\beta}(y_t - \frac{1}{\beta} \nabla y_t)$ 若 prox 为 soft thresholding 称之为 FISTA
2. step2: $a_{t+1} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4a_t^2}}{2}$

3. step3: $y_{t+1} = x_t + \frac{a_t-1}{a_{t+1}}(x_{t-1} - x_t)$

引理 10.2. $\{a_t\}$ 单调递增 $a_t > \frac{t+1}{2}$

证明. we know $a_{t+1}^2 - a_{t+1} = a_t^2$ and $a_0 = 1$ $a_0 > \frac{t+1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$

suppose $a_t > \frac{t+1}{2}$ $a_{t+1}^2 - a_{t+1} - a_t^2 = 0 \Rightarrow a_{t+1}^2 - a_{t+1} > \frac{(1+t)^2}{4} \Rightarrow a_{t+1} \geq \frac{1+\sqrt{1+(1+t)^2}}{2} \geq \frac{1+1+t}{2} = \frac{t+2}{2}$ \square

定理 10.3. let $\{(x_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^T$ be generated APGD, then for any $T \geq 1$

$$h(x_T) - h^* \leq 2\beta \|x_0 - x^*\|^2 / (1 + T)^2$$

ex:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \sum_{i=1}^N \log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) - b^T Ax \\ & \quad s.t. \|x\|_1 \leq s \\ \iff & \min \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \log(1 + \exp(a_i^T x)) - b^T Ax + \lambda \|x\|_1 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

引理 10.4. 1. $h(x) \geq h(x^+) + \beta(y - x^+, x - y) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y - x^+\|^2$, G_γ function theorem 1 推论三

$$2. a_{t+1}^2 - a_{t+1} = a_t^2$$

$$3. a_t \geq \frac{t+1}{2}$$

引理 10.5. $\{(x_t, y_t)\}$ generated by AGD with constant step size $\frac{1}{\beta}$, then for every $t \geq 1$, we have

$$a_t^2 v_t - a_{t+1}^2 v_{t+1} \geq \frac{\beta}{2} (\|u_{t+1}\|^2 - \|u_t\|^2)$$

where $v_t = h(x_t) - h^*$ and $u_t = a_t x_t - (a_t - 1)x_{t-1} - x^*$

证明. in (1) let $x = x_t, y = y_{t+1} \Rightarrow x^+ = x_{t+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x_t) & \geq h(x_{t+1}) + \beta(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x_t - y_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ h(x_t) - h^* & \geq h(x_{t+1}) - h^* + \beta(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x_t - y_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ & \Rightarrow v_t \geq v_{t+1} + \beta(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x_t - y_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ & \Rightarrow \frac{2}{\beta} (v_t - v_{t+1}) \geq 2(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x_t - y_{t+1}) + \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

let $x = x^*, y = y_{t+1} \Rightarrow x^+ = x_{t+1}$

$$\begin{aligned} h^* & \geq h(x_{t+1}) + \beta(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x^* - y_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ h^* - h(x_{t+1}) & \geq \beta(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x^* - y_{t+1}) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}\|^2 \\ & \Rightarrow -\frac{2}{\beta} v_{t+1} \geq 2(y_{t+1} - x_{t+1}, x^* - y_{t+1}) + \|x_{t+1} - y_{t+1}\|^2 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

$$(2) \times (a_t - 1) + (3) \Rightarrow (4)$$

$$\frac{2}{\beta} \{(a_{t+1} - 1)v_t - a_{t+1}v_{t+1}\} \geq a_{t+1} \|x_{t+1} - y_{t+1}\|^2 + 2(x_{t+1} - y_{t+1}, a_t y_{t+1} - (a_{t+1} - 1)x_t - x^*) \tag{4}$$

$$(4) \times a_{t+1}$$

$$\frac{2}{\beta} [(a_{t+1}^2 - a_{t+1})v_t - a_{t+1}^2 v_{t+1}] \geq \dots \quad (7)$$

□

引理 10.6. let $\{c_t, b_t\}$ be positive real numbers, that satisfy

$$c_t - c_{t+1} \geq b_{t+1} - b_t, \forall t \geq 1$$

and

$$c_1 + b_1 \leq c (\text{where } c \text{ is constant})$$

then

$$c_t \leq c \Leftarrow \{c_t + b_t \leq c\}$$

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recall theorem1 is

定理 10.7. let $\{(x_t, y_t)\}_{t=1}^T$ be generated APGD, then for any $T \geq 1$

$$h(x_T) - h^* \leq 2\beta \|x_0 - x^*\|^2 / (1 + T)^2$$

证明. let $c_t = a_t^2 v_t$, $b_t = \frac{\beta}{2} \|u_t\|^2 \Rightarrow c_t - c_{t+1} \geq b_{t+1} - b_t$

$$\Rightarrow c_t \leq c, \quad c_1 + b_1 \leq c c_1 = a_1^2 v_1 = h(x_1) - h^* b_1 = \frac{\beta}{2} \|u_1\|^2 = \frac{\beta}{2} \|x_1 - x^*\|^2$$

let $x = x^*, y = y_1 \Rightarrow x^+ = x_1$

$$\begin{aligned} h^* &\geq h(x_1) + \beta(y_1 - x_1, x^* - y_1) + \frac{\beta}{2} \|y_1 - x_1\|^2 - c_1 \\ &\geq \frac{\beta}{2} [2(y_1 - x_1, x^* - y_1) + \|x_1 - y_1\|^2] \\ \text{by } 2(a, b) &= \|a+b\|^2 - \|a\|^2 - \|b\|^2 - c_1 \geq \frac{\beta}{2} (\|x_1 - x^*\|^2 - \|x^* - y_1\|^2) \\ &= b_1 - \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - y_1\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_1 + c_1 &\leq \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - y_1\|^2 = \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - x_0\|^2 \\ \because c_t &\leq c \therefore a_t^2 v_t \leq \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^* - x_0\|^2 \Rightarrow v_t \leq \frac{\beta \|x^* - x_0\|^2}{2a_t^2} \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

$$\text{by } a_t \geq \frac{t+1}{2} \Rightarrow h(x_T) - h^* \leq \dots$$

□

11 Dual Gradient Method

facing problems like

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_x \quad & f(x) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & c(x) \leq 0 \\
 L(x, \lambda) = & f(x) + \lambda^T c(x) \\
 g(\lambda) = & \inf_x L(x, \lambda) = L(x^*(\lambda), \lambda) \\
 \Rightarrow \sup_x \quad & g(\lambda) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \lambda \geq 0 \\
 \frac{\partial L(x^*(\lambda), \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} = & \frac{\partial L}{\partial x^*} \frac{\partial x^*}{\partial \lambda} + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = 0 + \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda}
 \end{aligned}$$

projected gradient ascent

$$\lambda_{t+1} = \max(\lambda_t + \gamma \nabla g(\lambda_t), 0)$$

所以最终的迭代格式为

1. $\lambda_0, t = 0$ (initialize)
2. $x^*(\lambda) = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} L(x, \lambda_t)$
3. $x_{t+1} = \max(\lambda_t + \gamma \frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda}, 0)$
4. $t = t + 1$

12 Decomposite Dual Gradient Ascent

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_x \quad & f(x) \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b
 \end{aligned}
 \Rightarrow
 \begin{aligned}
 L(x, v) &= f(x) + v^T (Ax - b) \\
 g(v) &= \inf_x L(x, v) = L(x^*(\lambda), v)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\max \quad g(v) = \begin{cases} \text{step1 : } x^*(v_t) = \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x, v_t) \\ \text{step2 : } v_{t+1} = v_t + \gamma (Ax^*(v_t) - b) \end{cases}$$

如果目标函数可以进行分解则有：Decomposite: $f(x) = f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_p) = \sum_{j=1}^p f(x_j)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(x, v) &= \sum_{j=1}^p f(x_j) + v^T (Ax - b) \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^p f(x_j) + (A^T v)^T x - v^T b \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^p \left\{ f(x_j) + a_j^T v x_j \right\} - v^T b
 \end{aligned}$$

1. $x^*(v_t) = \operatorname{argmin}_{x_j} \left\{ f(x_j) + a_j^T v_t x_j \right\}$

$$2. \ v_{t+1} = v_t + \gamma(Ax^*(v_t) - b)$$

因此可以进行并行计算。

13 Dual proximal Gradient Ascent

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \max_v g(v) = \inf_x \{f(x) + v^T(Ax - b)\}$$

$$\max_v \quad h(v) + g(v)$$

where $h(v) \equiv 0$ and $g(x)$ is concave. So

$$v_{t+1} = \text{prox}_{\gamma g}(v_t) = \text{argmax}_v \left\{ g(v) - \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|v - v_t\|^2 \right\}$$

$$d^* = \sup_v \left\{ \inf_x f(x) + v^T(Ax - b) - \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|v - v_t\|^2 \right\} \leq \inf_x \left\{ \sup_v f(x) + v^T(Ax - b) - \frac{1}{2\gamma} \|v - v_t\|^2 \right\} = p^*$$

when $\frac{1}{\gamma}(v - v_t) = Ax - b$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} p^* &= \inf_x \left\{ f(x) + v_t^T(Ax - b) + \gamma \|Ax - b\|^2 - \frac{\gamma}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \right\} \\ &= \inf_x \left\{ f(x) + v_t^T(Ax - b) + \frac{\gamma}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 13.1. Augmented Lagrangian Function

$$L(x, v) = f(x) + v^T(Ax - b) + \frac{\rho}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2$$

1. $x^*(v_t) = \inf_x L(x, v_t)$
2. $v_{t+1} = v_t + \gamma(Ax^*(v_t) - b)$

14 ADMM(Alternatve Direction Method of Multiplies)

$$\min \quad f(x) + g(z)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad Ax + Bz = C$$

$$\text{augmented} \quad L(x, z, y) = f(x) + g(z) + y^T(Ax + Bz - C) + \frac{\rho}{2} \|Ax + Bz - C\|^2$$

1. $x_{t+1} = \inf_x L(x, g_t, z_t)$
2. $z_{t+1} = \inf_z L(x_{t+1}, y_t, z)$
3. $y_{t+1} = y_t + \rho(Ax_{t+1} + Bz_{t+1} - C)$

证明其收敛性较为复杂，这里直接给出结论

定理 14.1. f, g have a closed, non-empty convex epigraph and $L(\text{augment})$ has a saddle point $x^*, y^*, z^*, i.e.$

$$\forall x, y, z, \quad L(x^*, z^*, y) \leq L(x^*, y^*, z^*) \leq L(x, z, y^*)$$

then, let $t \rightarrow \infty$

$$f(x_t) + g(z_t) \rightarrow p^*(\text{stationary point})$$

$$y_t^* \rightarrow y^*$$

ex: 用 ADMM 算法来解 lasso,

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_x \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1 \right\} \\ \Rightarrow & \min_{x,z} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda \|z\|_1 \right\} \\ & s.t. \quad x - z = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

augmented lagrangian function:

$$\begin{aligned} L(x, y, z) &= \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + y^T(x - z) + \frac{\rho}{2} \|x - z\|^2 + \lambda \|z\|_1 \\ \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} &= A^T(Ax - b) + y + \rho(x - z) = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & (A^T A + \rho I)x - A^T b + y - \rho z = 0 \\ \Rightarrow & x = (A^T A + \rho I)^{-1}(A^T b + \rho z - y) \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

1. $x_{t+1} = (A^T A + \rho I)^{-1}(A^T b + \rho z_t - y_t)$
2. $\because \min_z \left\{ \frac{\rho}{2} \|z - x\|^2 + \lambda \|z\|_1 + y^T(x - z) \right\} \iff \min_z \left\{ \frac{\rho}{2\lambda} \left\| z - x - \frac{y}{\rho} \right\| + \|z\|_1 \right\} \Rightarrow z = \text{Soft}_{\rho/\lambda}(x - y/\rho) \Rightarrow z_{t+1} = \text{Soft}_{\rho/\lambda}(x_{t+1} - y_t/\rho)$
3. $y_{t+1} = y_t + \rho(x_{t+1} - z_{t+1})$

15 Template Method

Definition 15.1. Conjugate: $f : R^n \rightarrow R$ and $R^n \rightarrow R$

$$f^*(y) = \sup_{x \in \text{dom}(f)} (y^T x - f(x))$$

about indicator function's Conjugate function.

firstly, primal function is

$$\delta_c(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \in C \\ \infty & x \notin C \end{cases} \quad (12)$$

so the conjugate function of $\delta_c(x)$ is

$$\sigma_c(z) = \sup_{x \in C} (z, x)$$

so when $c = R_+^d$

$$\sigma_{R_+^d}(z) = \sup_{x \in R_+^d} (z, x) = \begin{cases} 0 & z \in R_-^d \\ \infty & z \notin R_-^d \end{cases} = \delta_{R_-^d}(z)$$

因为如果有一个位置上的数不为 0, 则将其对应的数置为无穷大, 则最终其为无穷。

ex:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & c_{n \times p} x \leq b_{n \times 1} \\ L(x, \lambda) = \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda^T (cx - b) \quad \lambda \geq 0 \\ L(x) = \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \delta_{R^d_+}(cx - b) \end{aligned}$$

by Conjugate transformation $f^*(z) = \sup_x \{z^T x - f(x)\}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \sup_{\lambda \in R^n} \{(\lambda, cx - b) - \delta_{R^d_+}(\lambda)\} \\ & = \sup_{\lambda} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda^T (cx - d) - \delta_{R^d_+}(\lambda) \right\} = \sup_{\lambda \geq 0} L(x, \lambda) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

现在我们开始考虑下面的问题:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_x \underbrace{(c, x)}_{\text{linear}} + \underbrace{h(Ax - b)}_{\text{ex: } \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2} + \underbrace{k(x)}_{\text{nonlinear}} \\ & \min_x (c, x) + h(Ax - b) + k(x) \\ p^* = \min_x & \left\{ (c, x) + \sup_y \{(y, Ax - b) - h^*(y)\} + \sup_z \{(z, x) - k^*(z)\} \right\} \\ & = \min_x \sup_{y, z} \{(c + A^T y + z, x) - h^*(y) - k^*(z)\} \\ & \geq \sup_{y, z} \min_z \{(c + A^T y + z, x) - h^*(y) - k^*(z)\} = d^* \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$$q^* = \sup_{y, z} \{-h^*(y) - k^*(z)\} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \min_{y, z} \{h^*(y) + k^*(z)\} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \min_y h^*(y) + k^*(-c - A^T y)$$

ex:

$$\frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \lambda \|x\|_1 \quad (15)$$

则有 $(c, x) = 0$, $h(Ax - b) = \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2$, $k(x) = \lambda \|x\|_1$ 故接下来求 $h^*(y)$ 和 $k^*(z)$

Conjugate function $h^*(y) = \frac{1}{2} \|y\|^2$ and $k^*(z) = \delta_{B_{\|\cdot\|}}(z)$