

## Instructions for MATLAB functions used in paper "Statistical Analysis of a Low Cost Method for Multiple Disease Prediction" by Bayati, Bhaskar, and Montanari

### Convex Optimization

We used the minFunc package by [Mark Schmidt](#) to solve convex optimization problem for logistic regression with group lasso penalty. First note that the install instructions and the main website for minFunc is located at Mark Schmidt's website: <https://www.cs.ubc.ca/~schmidtm/Software/minFunc.html>. We repeat the necessary parts here for added convenience.

First, download and unzip the files [from here](#) and then follow the steps below.

```
>> cd minFunc_2012           % Change to the unzipped directory
>> addpath(genpath(pwd))      % Add all sub-directories to the path
>> mexAll                    % Compile mex files (not necessary on all
systems)
>> example_minFunc           % Run a demo trying to minimize the function
```

Running the example should produce the following output:

Result after 25 evaluations of limited-memory solvers on 2D rosenbrock:

```
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x1 = 0.0000, x2 = 0.0000 (starting point)
x1 = 1.0000, x2 = 1.0000 (optimal solution)
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x1 = 0.8725, x2 = 0.7569 (minimize.m by C. Rasmussen)
x1 = 0.3654, x2 = 0.1230 (minFunc with steepest descent)
x1 = 0.4974, x2 = 0.2452 (minFunc with cyclic steepest descent)
x1 = 0.8756, x2 = 0.7661 (minFunc with spectral gradient descent)
x1 = 0.5840, x2 = 0.3169 (minFunc with Hessian-free Newton)
x1 = 0.7478, x2 = 0.5559 (minFunc with preconditioned Hessian-free
Newton)
x1 = 1.0010, x2 = 1.0020 (minFunc with conjugate gradient)
x1 = 0.7907, x2 = 0.6256 (minFunc with scaled conjugate gradient)
x1 = 0.9794, x2 = 0.9491 (minFunc with preconditioned conjugate
gradient)
x1 = 1.0000, x2 = 1.0000 (minFunc with limited-memory BFGS - default)
```

**More examples.** Mark Schmidt has written an extensive set of examples for the use of package here: <https://www.cs.ubc.ca/~schmidtm/Software/minFunc/examples.html>

### Using MATLAB Integer Programming Toolbox

To solve the integer program, equation (6) of our paper, we used the function `intlinprog` from MATLAB optimization toolbox. Detailed instructions and examples for the use of function can be found [here](#). In particular, to find the minimum of problem (6), if  $ns$  is the number of lab packages and  $nu$  is the number of all labs we need, then the following command should be used.

```
q = bintprog(c, intcon, A, b)
```

where  $q$  is a  $ns$  by 1 vector of indicator variables for the packages and  $c$  is a  $ns$  by 1 vector of costs for the packages. Then,  $A$  is a  $ns$  by  $nu$  matrix that encodes which labs appear in which packages and  $b$  is a  $nu$  by 1 vector with all values equal to  $-1$  to since the inequality constraint in (6) should be casted as an upperbound.