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## Research Article

# A Mixed Line Search Smoothing Quasi-Newton Method for Solving Linear Second-Order Cone Programming Problem

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Firstly, we give the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) optimality condition of primal problem and introduce Jordan algebra simply. On the basis of Jordan algebra, we extend smoothing Fischer-Burmeister (F-B) function to Jordan algebra and make the complementarity condition smoothing. So the first-order optimization condition can be reformed to a nonlinear system. Secondly, we use the mixed line search quasi-Newton method to solve this nonlinear system. Finally, we prove the globally and locally superlinear convergence of the algorithm.

#### 1. Introduction

Linear second-order cone programming (SOCP) problems are convex optimization problems which minimize a linear function over the intersection of an affine linear manifold with the Cartesian product of second-order cones. Linear programming (LP), Linear second-order cone programming (SOCP), and semidefinite programming (SDP) all belong to symmetric cone analysis. LP is a special example of SOCP and SOCP is a special case of SDP. SOCP can be solved by the corresponding to the algorithm of SDP, and SOCP also has effectual solving method. Nesterov and Todd [1, 2] had an earlier research on primal-dual interior point method. In the rescent, it gives quick development about the solving method for SOCP. Many scholars concentrate on SOCP.

The primal and dual standard forms of the linear SOCP are given by

Primal Dual

min 
$$c^T x$$
 max  $b^T y$ 

s.t.  $Ax = b$ , s.t.  $A^T y + z = c$ ,

 $x \ge_K 0$ ,  $z \ge_K 0$ ,

where the second-order cone *K*:

$$K = \left\{ \left(x_0; \overline{x}\right) \in R \times R^{n-1} \mid x_0 \ge \|\overline{x}\| \right\}, \tag{2}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  refers to the standard Euclidean norm.

In this paper, the vectors x, c, and z and the matrix A are partitioned conformally, namely

$$x = (x_1; \dots; x_r) x_i \in R^{n_i}, \qquad c = (c_1; \dots; c_r) c_i \in R^{n_i},$$

$$z = (z_1; \dots; z_r) z_i \in R^{n_i}, \qquad A = (A_1; \dots; A_r) A_i \in R^{m \times n_i}.$$
(3)

Except for interior point method, semismoothing and smoothing Newton method can also be used to solve SOCP. In [3], the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) optimality condition of primal-dual problem was reformulated to a semismoothing nonlinear system, which was solved by Newton method with central path. In [4], the KKT optimality condition of primal-dual problem was reformed to a smoothing nonlinear equations, then it was solved by combining Newton method with central path. References [3, 4] gave globally and locally quadratic convergent of the algorithm.

## 2. Preliminaries and Algorithm

In this section, we introduce the Jordan algebra and give the nonlinear system, which comes from the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) optimality condition. At last, we introduce two kinds of derivative-free line search rules.

Associated with each vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there is an arrow-shaped matrix Arw(x) which is defined as follows:

$$\operatorname{Arw}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 & \overline{x}^T \\ \overline{x} & x_0 I \end{pmatrix}. \tag{4}$$

Euclidean Jordan algebra is associated with second-order cones. For now we assume that all vectors consist of a single block  $x = (x_0; \overline{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . For two vectors x and y, define the following multiplication:

$$x \circ z = (x^T z; x_0 \overline{z} + z_0 \overline{x}) = \operatorname{Arw}(x) z = \operatorname{Arw}(x) \operatorname{Arw}(z) e.$$
 (5)

So, "+", " $\circ$ " with  $e = (1;0) \in R \times R^{n-1}$  give rise to a Jordan algebra associated with second-order cone K.

It is well known that the vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  has a spectral decomposition as

$$x = \lambda_1 c_1 + \lambda_2 c_2,\tag{6}$$

where  $\lambda_1$ ,  $\lambda_2$  and  $c_1$ ,  $c_2$  are the spectral values and spectral vectors of x given by

$$\lambda_{i} = x_{0} + (-1)^{i} \|\overline{x}\|,$$

$$c_{i} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \left(1; (-1)^{i} \frac{\overline{x}}{\|\overline{x}\|}\right), & \text{if } \overline{x} \neq 0, \\ \frac{1}{2} \left(1; (-1)^{i} \omega\right), & \text{if } \overline{x} = 0, \end{cases}$$

$$(7)$$

where i=1,2, and  $\omega$  is any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying  $\|\omega\|=1$ . The KKT optimality condition of problem (1) is written as follows:

$$Ax - b = 0,$$

$$A^{T}y + z - c = 0,$$

$$x, z \in K, \quad x \circ z = 0.$$
(8)

Interior point methods typically deal with the following perturbation of the optimality condition (8):

$$Ax - b = 0,$$

$$A^{T}y + z - c = 0,$$

$$x, z \in K, \quad x \circ z = u^{2}e.$$
(9)

In this paper, we structure a nonlinear system that is equivalent to (9). Then the nonlinear system is solved by quasi-Newton method to get the optimum solution of (1). Here, we introduce a smoothing function  $\varphi(x, z, \mu) : R^n \times R^n \times R \to R^n$ ,

$$\varphi(x, z, \mu) = x + z - \sqrt{x^2 + z^2 + 2\mu^2 e}.$$
 (10)

Reference [5] gives some properties of smoothing function (10).

**Proposition 1.**  $\varphi(x,z,0) = 0$  if and only if  $x \ge_K 0$ ,  $z \ge_K 0$  and  $x \circ z = 0$ .

**Proposition 2.** For any  $\mu > 0$ ,  $\varphi(x, z, \mu) = 0$  if and only if  $x \succ_K 0$ ,  $z \succ_K 0$  and  $x \circ z = \mu^2 e$ .

Let 
$$F: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}$$
,

$$F(x, y, z, \mu) = \begin{pmatrix} Ax - b \\ A^{T}y + z - c \\ \varphi(x, z, \mu) \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}.$$
(11)

Apparently,  $F(x, y, z, \mu) = 0$  is equivalent to (8). Let  $(x, y, z, \mu) = u$ , then  $F(x, y, z, \mu) = F(u)$ . So, the KKT optimality condition is equivalent to the following:

$$F\left( u\right) =0. \tag{12}$$

Next, we solve (12) by using Broyden rank one quasi-Newton method. When we solve the problem (12) with quasi-Newton method, the gradient or Jacobian does not appear. It can reduce the amount of calculation. While it is not suitable to use the usual line search such as Wolf or Powll rules. Thus, we suggest two kinds of derivative-free line search rule.

In 1986, Griewank [6] put forward a kind of monotonous line search. Set

$$q_k(\alpha) = -\frac{F(u_k)^T \left(F(u_k + \alpha d_k) - F(u_k)\right)}{\left\|F(u_k + \alpha d_k) - F(u_k)\right\|^2}.$$
 (13)

Let  $\alpha_k$  satisfy the following inequality:

$$q_k(\alpha) \ge \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon,$$
 (14)

where  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1/6)$  is a constant. Due to (13) and (14), we obtain

$$||F(u_{k} + \alpha d_{k})||^{2}$$

$$\leq ||F(u_{k})||^{2} - 2\varepsilon ||F(u_{k} + \alpha d_{k}) - F(u_{k})||^{2} \qquad (15)$$

$$\leq ||F(u_{k})||^{2}.$$

Clearly, the line search is a normal descent method.

From the definition of  $q_k(\alpha)$ , the following conclusion holds. When  $F(u_k)^T F'(u_k) d_k \neq 0$ , (14) holds for all  $\alpha_k$  sufficiently small. When  $F(u_k)^T F'(u_k) d_k = 0$ , (14) does not hold for any  $\alpha_k$ .

Because there is a failure in the line search rule, many scholars put forward some kinds of different derivative-free line search rules. In [7], Li and Fukushima suggested a kind of nonmonotone derivative-free line search rules. The step  $\alpha_k$  satisfies the following inequality:

$$\|F(u_{k} + \alpha_{k}d_{k})\|^{2} \leq \|F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \sigma_{1}\|\alpha_{k}F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \sigma_{2}\|\alpha_{k}d_{k}\|^{2} + \eta_{k}\|F(u_{k})\|^{2},$$
(16)

where,  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 > 0$  are constants, and there exists a constant  $\eta > 0$ , such that the positive sequence  $\{\eta_k\}$  satisfies

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \eta_k \le \eta < \infty. \tag{17}$$

Obviously, (16) holds for all  $\alpha_k > 0$  sufficiently small. For any k, we have

$$||F(u_k + \alpha_k d_k)||^2 \le (1 + \eta_k) ||F(u_k)||^2.$$
 (18)

According to the introduction, we know that there is a defect in the line search rule (15), but it is monotonically decreasing, namely,  $\|F(u_{k+1})\| \leq \|F(u_k)\|$ . However (16) is non-monotone line search rule. In this paper, the reasonable combination of the two line search rules is given.

In order to implement the mixed line search rules, we define the function  $f: R \to R$ 

$$f(\alpha) = \frac{\left\|F\left(u_k + \alpha d_k\right)\right\|^2 - \left\|F\left(u_k\right)\right\|^2}{\alpha}.$$
 (19)

Apparently,  $\lim_{\alpha \to 0} f(\alpha) = F(u_k)^T F'(u_k) d_k$ . When  $\alpha$  and  $|f(\alpha)|$  are too small, (14) does not hold. We will use the non-monotone line search.

On the basis of the previous section, we will suggest a Broyden rank one quasi-Newton method for solving SOCP in this section. Now we present an algorithm for solving (12).

Algorithm A.

Step 0. Initialization and Date. Choose parameters  $\lambda$ ,  $\delta \in (0,1)$ ,  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_3 > 0$ ,  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ . Fix a positive sequence  $\{\eta_k\}$  that satisfies (17). Fix a starting point  $u_0 \in R^{2n+m+1}$ , and an initial matrix  $B_0 \in R^{(2n+m+1)\times(2n+m+1)}$ . Set k=0.

Step 1. Termination Conditions. If  $F(u_k) = 0$ , stop; otherwise, let  $d_k$  be a solution of the linear equation

$$B_k d_k + F(u_k) = 0. (20)$$

Step 2. The Line Search for Unit Step. If

$$||F(u_k + d_k)|| \le \lambda ||F(u_k)|| - \sigma_3 ||d_k||^2$$
 (21)

holds, then set  $\alpha_k = 1$ . Go to Step 4.

Step 3. Mixed Line Search Rule.

- (3.1) Set i = 0;
- (3.2) If  $\delta^i$  satisfies (14), set  $\alpha_k = \delta^i$ ; otherwise, if  $|f(\delta^i)| \le \varepsilon_0$  holds, let  $\alpha_k$  be the maximum of the numbers  $\{1, \delta^1, \delta^2, \ldots\}$  satisfying (16). Else, set i = i + 1. Go back to Step (3.2).

Step 4. Update. Set  $u_{k+1} = u_k + \alpha_k d_k$ .

Step 5. Computation of  $B_{k+1}$ . By the Broyden rank one correction formula, we obtain

$$B_{k+1} = B_k + \frac{(y_k - B_k s_k) s_k^T}{\|s_k\|^2},$$
 (22)

where  $s_k = u_{k+1} - u_k$ ,  $y_k = F(u_{k+1}) - F(u_k)$ , and  $B_{k+1}$  is nonsingular.

Step 6. Set k = k + 1. Go back to Step 1.

#### 3. Global Convergence

In this section, we prove the global convergence of algorithm. For this reason, we define some variables in the algorithm and give some hypotheses.

We define

$$G_{k+1} = \int_0^1 F'(u_k + \tau s_k) d\tau,$$
 (23)

then  $y_k = G_{k+1}s_k$ . Set

$$\xi_k = \frac{\|y_k - B_k s_k\|}{\|s_k\|},\tag{24}$$

then

$$\xi_k = \frac{\|(G_{k+1} - B_k) s_k\|}{\|s_k\|} = \frac{\|(G_{k+1} - B_k) d_k\|}{\|d_k\|}.$$
 (25)

**Proposition 3.** The sequence  $\{u_k\}$  which is generated by the algorithm satisfies

$$||F(u_k)|| \le ||F(u_{k-1})||,$$
 (26)

then the level set

$$\Omega = \left\{ u \in R^{2n+m+1} \mid \left\| F\left(u_{k+1}\right) \right\|^{2} \le e^{\eta} \left\| F(u_{0}) \right\|^{2} \right\} \tag{27}$$

is bounded, where  $\eta$  is the constant defined in (17).

**Proposition 4.** F'(u) is Lipschitz continuous on  $R^{2n+m+1}$ ; that is, there exists a constant L > 0 such that

$$||F'(u) - F'(v)|| \le L ||u - v||, \quad \forall u, v \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+m+1}.$$
 (28)

*Proof.* By [5],  $\nabla \varphi(x, z, \mu)$  is continuously differentiable function, then there exists a constant L > 0 such that

$$\|\nabla\varphi(x_{1}, z_{1}, \mu_{1}) - \nabla\varphi(x_{2}, z_{2}, \mu_{2})\|$$

$$\leq L \|(x_{1}, z_{1}, \mu_{1}) - (x_{2}, z_{2}, \mu_{2})\|, \quad \forall x_{1}, x_{2}, z_{1}, z_{2}, \mu_{1}, \mu_{2}.$$
(29)

For any  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+m+1}$ , we have

$$\|F'(u) - F'(v)\| = \|\nabla \varphi(x_{u}, z_{u}, \mu_{u}) - \nabla \varphi(x_{v}, z_{v}, \mu_{v})\|$$

$$\leq L \|(x_{u}, z_{u}, \mu_{u}) - (x_{v}, z_{v}, \mu_{v})\|$$

$$\leq L \|u - v\|.$$
(30)

(H1) The matrix *A* has full of row rank.

From Proposition 3, Proposition 4, and (H1), F'(u) is reversible for all  $u \in \Omega$ . There exist constants t',  $0 < t \le T$ ,  $0 < T_1 \le T_2$ , and  $0 < \widetilde{t} \le T_3$ , such that

$$t' \|u - v\| \le \|F(u) - F(v)\| \le T' \|u - v\|,$$
 (31)

$$|\tilde{t}||s_k|| \le ||F'(u_k)s_k|| \le T_3 ||s_k||,$$
 (32)

$$T_1 \le \left\| \left( F'(u) \right)^{-1} \right\| \le T_2,$$
 (33)

$$t \le \left\| F'\left(u\right) \right\| \le T. \tag{34}$$

**Lemma 5.** *If the sequence*  $\{u_k\}$  *is generated by the algorithm, then*  $\{u_k\} \subset \Omega$ .

*Proof.* If  $\alpha_k$  is defined by Step 2 or (14), then we have

$$||F(u_{k+1})|| \le ||F(u_k)||.$$
 (35)

The above inequality and (18) imply

$$||F(u_{k+1})||^2 \le (1 + \eta_k) ||F(u_k)||^2,$$
 (36)

where the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  is generated by the algorithm. According to (36), we have

$$\left\|F\left(u_{k+1}\right)\right\|^2$$

$$\leq (1 + \eta_k) \|F(u_k)\|^2 \leq \cdots \leq \|F(u_0)\|^2 \prod_{j=0}^k (1 + \eta_j)$$

$$\leq \|F(u_0)\|^2 \left(\frac{1}{1+k} \sum_{j=0}^k (1+\eta_j)\right)^{k+1} \tag{37}$$

$$= \|F(u_0)\|^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{1+k} \sum_{j=0}^k \eta_j\right)^{k+1}$$

$$\leq \left\|F\left(u_{0}\right)\right\|^{2}\left(1+\frac{\eta}{1+k}\right)^{k+1}\leq e^{\eta}\left\|F\left(u_{0}\right)\right\|^{2}.$$

Hence,  $\{u_k\} \subset \Omega$ . The claim holds.

**Lemma 6.** If (H1) holds and the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  is generated by the algorithm, then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\| s_k \right\|^2 < \infty. \tag{38}$$

*Proof.* If  $\alpha_k$  is determined by (16), it is clearly known that

$$\sigma_2 \|s_k\|^2 \le \|F(u_k)\|^2 - \|F(u_k + \alpha_k d_k)\|^2 + \eta_k \|F(u_k)\|^2.$$
 (39)

If  $\alpha_k$  is determined by Step 2, from it can be known that

$$\sigma_3 \|s_k\|^2 \le \|F(u_k)\| - \|F(u_{k+1})\| + \eta_k \|F(u_k)\|^2.$$
 (40)

If  $\alpha_k$  is ascertained by (14), then from (32), we have

$$\|F(u_{k} + \alpha_{k}d_{k})\|^{2}$$

$$\leq \|F(u_{k})\|^{2} - 2\varepsilon\|F(u_{k} + \alpha_{k}d_{k}) - F(u_{k})\|^{2} \qquad (41)$$

$$\leq \|F(u_{k})\|^{2} - 2\varepsilon t'^{2}\|s_{k}\|^{2}.$$

Thus we obtain

$$2\varepsilon t'^{2} \|s_{k}\|^{2} \leq \|F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \|F(u_{k+1})\|^{2} + \eta_{k} \|F(u_{k})\|^{2}. \tag{42}$$

Set  $\sigma_0 = \min{\{\sigma_2, 2\varepsilon t'^2\}}$ . Then, from (39) and (42), we see that

$$\sigma_{0} \|s_{k}\|^{2} \leq \|F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \|F(u_{k+1})\|^{2} + \eta_{k} \|F(u_{k})\|^{2}$$

$$= (\|F(u_{k})\| - \|F(u_{k+1})\|)$$

$$\times (\|F(u_{k})\| + \|F(u_{k+1})\|) + \eta_{k} \|F(u_{k})\|^{2}$$

$$\leq 2\sqrt{e^{\eta}} \|F(u_{0})\|$$

$$\times (\|F(u_{k})\| - \|F(u_{k+1})\|) + \eta_{k} \|F(u_{k})\|^{2}.$$

$$(43)$$

Let  $\overline{\sigma} = \min\{\sigma_0, \sigma_3\}$  and  $C = \max\{1, 2\sqrt{e^{\eta}} ||F(u_0)||\}$ . It follows directly from (40) and (43) that

$$\overline{\sigma} \|s_k\|^2 \le C(\|F(u_k)\| - \|F(u_{k+1})\|) + \eta_k \|F(u_k)\|^2. \tag{44}$$

By summing both sides of the above inequality, we have

$$\overline{\sigma} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|s_{k}\|^{2} \leq C \|F(u_{0})\| + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{k} \|F(u_{k+1})\|^{2} 
\leq C \|F(u_{0})\| + e^{\eta} \|F(u_{0})\|^{2} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \eta_{k} 
\leq C \|F(u_{0})\| + e^{\eta} \eta \|F(u_{0})\|^{2}.$$
(45)

This completes the proof.

According to some results in [8, 9], we can obtain the following results.

**Lemma 7.** Let the positive sequence  $\{a_k\}$  and  $\{t_k\}$  satisfy  $a_{k+1} \leq (1+t_k)a_k + t_k$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_k < \infty$ , then the sequence  $\{a_k\}$  converges.

**Lemma 8.** Let the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  be generated by the algorithm, then the sequence  $\{\|F(u_k)\|^2\}$  is convergent.

**Lemma 9.** Let (H1) hold. Let the sequence  $\{\xi_k\}$  be defined by (24) and let  $\{u_k\}$  be generated by the algorithm. If

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\| s_k \right\|^2 < \infty, \tag{46}$$

then

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \xi_j^2 = 0. \tag{47}$$

Specifically, there is a subsequence of  $\{\xi_k\}$  which converges to zero. Moreover, if

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|s_k\| < \infty, \tag{48}$$

then

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \xi_k^2 < \infty. \tag{49}$$

*In particular, the whole sequence*  $\{\xi_k\} \rightarrow 0$ .

**Lemma 10.** Let (H1) hold and the sequence  $\{u_k\}, \{d_k\}$  be generated by the algorithm. There exist sthe subsequence  $\{u_k, d_k\}_{k \in B}$  of  $\{u_k, d_k\}$  that converges to  $\{\overline{u}, \overline{d}\}$ , respectively. Furthermore, one has

$$F'(\overline{u})\overline{d} + F(\overline{u}) = 0. \tag{50}$$

*Proof.* Let  $G_{k+1}$  and  $\xi_k$  be defined by (23) and (24), respectively. By Lemmas 6 and 9, there is a subsequence of  $\{\xi_k\}$  tending to zero, from which Lemma 5 implies that  $\{u_k\} \in \Omega$  is bounded. Without loss of generality, we assume that there is a subsequence  $\{u_k\}$  that converges to  $\overline{u}$ . Since Lemma 6 implies  $s_k = u_{k+1} - u_k \to 0$ , then  $G_{k+1} = \int_0^1 F'(u_k + \tau s_k) d\tau \to F'(\overline{u})$ ,  $(k \to \infty)$ . Therefore, there exists a constant  $T_4 > 0$  such that  $\|G_{k+1}^{-1}\| \leq T_4$  for all  $k \in N$  sufficiently large. Thus from (20) and (25), we obtain

$$\|d_{k}\| = \|d_{k} - G_{k+1}^{-1} (B_{k}d_{k} + F(u_{k}))\|$$

$$= \|G_{k+1}^{-1} ((G_{k+1} - B_{k}) d_{k} - F(u_{k}))\|$$

$$\leq \|G_{k+1}^{-1}\| (\|(G_{k+1} - B_{k}) d_{k}\| + \|F(u_{k})\|)$$

$$\leq T_{4} (\xi_{k} \|d_{k}\| + \|F(u_{k})\|).$$
(51)

So there is a constant E such that, for all  $k \in B$  sufficiently large,

$$||d_k|| \le E ||F(u_k)||. \tag{52}$$

Without loss of generality, we assume that  $\{d_k\}_{k\in B}$  converges to  $\overline{d}$  (necessarily, we can treat the sequence B as its some subsequence). By (25), we obtain  $\|B_kd_k-G_{k+1}d_k\|=\xi_k\|d_k\|$ . It follows that  $B_kd_k\to F'(\overline{u})\overline{d}$  as  $k\to\infty$  with  $k\in B$ . Thus, taking the limit in (20) as  $k\to\infty$  with  $k\in B$ , yields (50). The proof is finished.

**Theorem 11.** Assume that (H1) holds, then the whole sequence  $\{u_k\}$  generated by the algorithm converges to the unique solution of (12).

*Proof.* It is clear from Lemma 8 that the sequence  $\{\|F(u_k)\|^2\}$  is convergent. Thus, it is sufficient to verify that there exists an accumulation point of  $\{u_k\}$  that is the solution of (12).

(i) We suppose that there are an infinite number of k such that  $\alpha_k s$  are determined by (21). Let  $B = \{j_1, j_2, \ldots\}$  be an index set with  $B = \{k | \alpha_k \text{ being determined by (21)}\}$ . If  $k \in B$ , then  $\|F(u_{k+1})\| \le \lambda \|F(u_k)\|$  holds.

If  $k \notin B$ , then we have  $||F(u_{k+1})||^2 \le (1 + \eta_k)||F(u_k)||^2$ , in that way,  $||F(u_{k+1})|| \le (1 + \eta_k)||F(u_k)||$ . This implies that  $||F(u_{i_{k+1}})|| \le \lambda^k e^{\eta} ||F(u_{i_0})||$ . Hence,  $\lim_{k \in B} ||F(u_{i_k})|| = 0$ .

(ii) If there exists an infinite number of k such that  $\alpha_k s$  are determined by (14). Let  $B_1$  be an index set with

 $B_1 = \{k | \alpha_k \text{ is determined by (14)}\}$ . Since  $\{\alpha_k\}$  is bounded, there is a subsequence  $\{\alpha_k\}_{k \in B_2 \subset B_1}$  of  $\{\alpha_k\}_{k \in B_1}$  that tends to  $\overline{\alpha} \geq 0$ , that is,  $\lim_{k \in B_2} \alpha_k = \overline{\alpha}$ . If  $\overline{\alpha} \neq 0$ , then  $\overline{\alpha} \overline{d} = 0$  implies that  $\overline{d} = 0$ . By (50), we obtain  $F(\overline{u}) = 0$ .

If  $\overline{\alpha} = 0$ , then  $\alpha_k \to 0^+$  for  $k \to \infty$  with  $k \in B_2$ . By Step 3 of the algorithm,  $\widetilde{\alpha}_k = \alpha_k/\delta$  does not satisfy (14) for all  $k \in B_2$  large enough, namely,

$$-F(u_{k})^{T}\left(F\left(u_{k}+\widetilde{\alpha}_{k}d_{k}\right)-F\left(u_{k}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq\left(\frac{1}{2}+\varepsilon\right)\left\|F\left(u_{k}+\widetilde{\alpha}_{k}d_{k}\right)-F\left(u_{k}\right)\right\|^{2}.$$
(53)

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Thus,

$$\lim_{k \in B_{2}} - \frac{F(u_{k})^{T} \left(F\left(u_{k} + \widetilde{\alpha}_{k} d_{k}\right) - F\left(u_{k}\right)\right)}{\widetilde{\alpha}_{k}}$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \in B_{2}} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon\right) \left\|\frac{F\left(u_{k} + \widetilde{\alpha}_{k} d_{k}\right) - F\left(u_{k}\right)}{\widetilde{\alpha}_{k}}\right\|^{2} \widetilde{\alpha}_{k}, \tag{54}$$

that is,

$$F(\overline{u})^T F'(\overline{u}) \overline{d} \ge 0. \tag{55}$$

By (50), we get  $F(\overline{u}) = 0$ .

(iii) According to (ii), without loss of generality, we suppose that all  $\alpha_k s$  are determined by (16) for all k sufficiently large. Let  $B_4$  be an index set with  $B_4 = \{k \mid \alpha_k \text{ is determined by (16)}\}$ . Set

$$\lim_{k \in B_k, k \to \infty} \alpha_k = \alpha', \tag{56}$$

then  $\alpha' \ge 0$  and  $\alpha' \overline{d} = 0$ . If  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $\overline{d} = 0$ . Thus from (50), we obtain  $F(\overline{u}) = 0$ . Otherwise,  $\alpha' = 0$ , that is,

$$\lim_{k \in B_4, k \to \infty} \alpha_k = 0. \tag{57}$$

By using Step 3 of the algorithm, we know that  $\alpha' = \alpha_k/\delta$  does not satisfy (16) for all  $k \in B_4$  sufficiently large. Therefore, we have

$$\|F(u_{k} + \alpha'_{k}d_{k})\|^{2} - \|F(u_{k})\|^{2}$$

$$> -\sigma_{1}\|\alpha'_{k}F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \sigma_{2}\|\alpha'_{k}d_{k}\|^{2} + \eta_{k}\|F(u_{k})\|^{2}$$

$$> -\sigma_{1}\|\alpha'_{k}F(u_{k})\|^{2} - \sigma_{2}\|\alpha'_{k}d_{k}\|^{2}.$$
(58)

Dividing the both sides by  $\alpha'_k$  and then taking the limit as  $k \to \infty$  with  $k \in B_4$ , we get

$$\lim_{k \in B_{4}, k \to \infty} \frac{\left\| F\left(u_{k} + \alpha'_{k} d_{k}\right) \right\|^{2} - \left\| F\left(u_{k}\right) \right\|^{2}}{\alpha'_{k}}$$

$$\geq \lim_{k \in B_{4}, k \to \infty} -\sigma_{1} \alpha'_{k} \left\| F\left(u_{k}\right) \right\|^{2} -\sigma_{2} \alpha'_{k} \left\| d_{k} \right\|^{2},$$
(59)

that is,

$$F(\overline{u})^T F'(\overline{u}) \, \overline{d} \ge 0. \tag{60}$$

It is clear from (50) that  $F(\overline{u}) = 0$ . Therefore the result holds.

#### 4. Local Superlinear Convergence

In this section, we prove the local superlinear convergence of the algorithm.

**Lemma 12.** If (H1) holds and the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  is generated by the algorithm, then there exist a constant  $\xi > 0$  and an index  $\overline{k}$  such that

$$\alpha_k = 1, \tag{61}$$

whenever  $k \ge \overline{k}$  and  $\xi_k \le \xi$ . Furthermore, the relation

$$||F(u_k + d_k)|| \le \lambda ||F(u_k)|| - \sigma_3 ||d_k||^2 < \lambda ||F(u_k)||$$
 (62)

holds for all  $k \ge \overline{k}$  such that  $\xi_k \le \xi$ .

*Proof.* By Step 2 of the algorithm, there exists a constant  $\xi$  such that (62) holds whenever  $\xi_k \leq \xi$  and for all k sufficiently large. It follows from Theorem 11 that the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  converges to the unique solution of problem (12), and there exists a constant  $T_4$  such that  $\|G_{k+1}^{-1}\| \leq T_4$  for all k large enough. Then, from (52), we see that there exist constant  $\xi' > 0$  and  $\overline{E} > 0$  such that

$$||d_k|| \le \overline{E} ||F(u_k)||, \tag{63}$$

whenever  $\xi_k \leq \xi'$  and for all k sufficiently large. Due to (20), we obtain

$$G_{k+1} (u_k + d_k - u^*)$$

$$= G_{k+1} (u_k + d_k - u^*) - (B_k d_k + F(u_k))$$

$$= G_{k+1} (u_k - u^*) + (G_{k+1} - B_k) d_k - F(u_k)$$

$$= (G_{k+1} - F'(u^*)) (u_k - u^*)$$

$$+ (G_{k+1} - B_k) d_k - F(u_k)$$

$$+ F'(u^*) + F'(u^*) (u_k - u^*).$$
(64)

Hence, we have

$$\|u_{k} + d_{k} - u^{*}\|$$

$$\leq \|G_{k+1}^{-1}\| (\|G_{k+1} - F'(u^{*})\| \|u_{k} - u^{*}\| + \|(G_{k+1} - B_{k}) d_{k}\| + \|F(u_{k}) - F'(u^{*}) - F'(u^{*}) + (u_{k} - u^{*})\| )$$

$$\leq T_{4} (\xi_{k} \|d_{k}\| + o(\|u_{k} - u^{*}\|))$$

$$\leq T_{4} (\xi_{k} \overline{E} \|F(u_{k})\| + o(\|u_{k} - u^{*}\|))$$

$$\leq T_{4} (\overline{E}T'\xi_{k} \|u_{k} - u^{*}\| + o(\|u_{k} - u^{*}\|)),$$
(65)

where the last inequality follows from (31). This implies that

$$||F(u_{k} + d_{k})|| = ||F(u_{k} + d_{k}) - F(u^{*})||$$

$$\leq T' ||u_{k} + d_{k} - u^{*}||$$

$$\leq T' T_{4} (\overline{E}T' \xi_{k} ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + o(||u_{k} - u^{*}||)).$$
(66)

Since  $\{u_k\} \to u^*$  holds, from (33), there exists  $\tilde{t} > 0$  such that

$$||F(u_k)|| = ||F(u_k) - F(u^*)|| \ge \tilde{t} ||u_k - u^*||$$
 (67)

for all k large enough. Then by (63), (65), and (66), we obtain

$$||F(u_{k} + d_{k})|| - \lambda ||F(u_{k})|| + \sigma_{3}||d_{k}||^{2}$$

$$\leq T'T_{4} (\overline{E}T'\xi_{k} ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + o(||u_{k} - u^{*}||))$$

$$- \lambda \widetilde{t} ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + \sigma_{3}\overline{E}^{2}T'^{2}||u_{k} - u^{*}||^{2}$$

$$= \sigma_{3}\overline{E}^{2}T'^{2}||u_{k} - u^{*}||^{2} + T_{4}\overline{E}T'^{2}\xi_{k} ||u_{k} - u^{*}||$$

$$- \lambda \widetilde{t} ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + o(||u_{k} - u^{*}||)$$

$$= -(\lambda \widetilde{t} - Q\xi_{k}) ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + o(||u_{k} - u^{*}||),$$
(68)

where  $Q = T_4 \overline{E} T'^2$ . Let  $\xi = \min\{\xi', \lambda \tilde{t}/2Q\}$ , then we have

$$||F(u_{k} + d_{k})|| - \lambda ||F(u_{k})|| + \sigma_{3}||d_{k}||^{2}$$

$$\leq -\frac{1}{2}\lambda \tilde{t} ||u_{k} - u^{*}|| + o(||u_{k} - u^{*}||),$$
(69)

whenever  $\xi_k \leq \xi$ . Hence, when  $u_k$  is sufficiently close to  $u^*$  for all k large enough,  $\alpha_k = 1$  can satisfy (62), which prove the conclusion.

**Theorem 13.** Assume that (H1) holds, then the sequence  $\{u_k\}$  generated by the algorithm converges superlinearly to the unique solution of (12).

*Proof.* From (65), it is sufficient to verify that the sequence  $\{\xi_k\} \to 0$ . Let  $\xi$  and  $\overline{k}$  be determined by Lemma 12. By Lemmas 6 and 9, we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \xi_i^2 = 0.$$
 (70)

Then there exists an index  $\tilde{k}$  such that

$$\frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \xi_i^2 \le \frac{1}{2} \xi^2,\tag{71}$$

whenever  $k \geq \tilde{k}$ . This implies that

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \xi_i^2 \le \frac{k}{2} \xi^2. \tag{72}$$

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Itr	Prec	Time (s)	$P_{ m val}$	$D_{ m val}$	Gap
30	9.5303E - 04	0.2023	_	_	_
32	7.6490E - 05	0.2113	_	_	_
35	7.3088E - 06	0.2140	_	_	_
37	4.2229E - 07	0.2159	_	_	_
38	3.6169E - 08	0.2172	31.36476337	31.36476321	1.5364E - 07

The above inequality implies that for any  $k \ge \tilde{k}$ , there are at least k/2 many  $i \le k$  such that  $\xi_i^2 \le \xi^2$ , that is,  $\xi_i \le \xi$ . Let  $k' = \max\{\bar{k}, \tilde{k}\}$ , then, by Lemma 12, for any  $k \ge 2k'$ , there exist at least  $\lfloor k/2 \rfloor - k'$  many  $i \le k$  such that  $\alpha_i = 1$  and

$$||F(u_{i+1})|| = ||F(u_i + d_i)|| \le \lambda ||F(u_i)||.$$
 (73)

Therefore, we have

$$||F(u_{i+1})||^2 \le \lambda^2 ||F(u_i)||^2.$$
 (74)

Let  $\theta_k$  be the index set for which (74) holds, then  $|\theta_k| \ge k/2 - k' - 1$ . When  $i \notin \theta_k$ ,  $\alpha_k$  is determined by Step 3. Then by (15) and (18), we get

$$||F(u_{i+1})||^2 \le (1 + \eta_i) ||F(u_i)||^2.$$
 (75)

Let  $i = \{k', k' + 1, ..., k\}$ . From (74) and (18), we obtain

$$||F(u_{i+1})||^{2} \leq \lambda^{2|\theta_{k}|} ||F(u_{k'})||^{2} \prod_{i=k'}^{k} (1+\eta_{i})$$

$$\leq \lambda^{k-2k'} e^{\eta} ||F(u_{k'})||^{2},$$
(76)

that is,

$$||F(u_{k+1})|| \le \lambda^{(k/2)-k'} e^{\eta/2} ||F(u_{k'})||.$$
 (77)

Since  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|F(u_k)\| < \infty. \tag{78}$$

Hence,

$$\sum \|u_k - u^*\| \le \frac{1}{\tilde{t}} \sum \|F(u_k) - F(u^*)\|.$$
 (79)

Since  $||s_k|| = ||u_{k+1} - u_k|| \le ||u_{k+1} - u^*|| + ||u_k - u^*||$  implies that

$$\sum \|s_k\| < \infty. \tag{80}$$

Therefore,  $\xi_k \to 0$  as  $k \to \infty$ . The proof is finished.

### 5. Numerical Experiments

In this section, we carry out a number of numerical experiments based on Algorithm A. The results show that

Algorithm A is effective. The numerical experiments are implemented on MATLAB 7.8.0.

The following parameter values were used:

$$\lambda = 0.5,$$
  $\delta = 0.5,$   $\sigma_1 = 0.5,$   $\sigma_2 = 0.5,$   $\sigma_3 = 0.5,$   $\varepsilon = 0.1,$  (81)  $\varepsilon_0 = 0.01,$   $\eta_k = 0.95^k,$   $\mu = 1.$ 

When the condition  $||F(u_k)|| \le 10^{-7}$  holds, the algorithm stops.

In the tables of test results, itr denotes the number of iterations, prec the final residual of  $||F(u_k)||$  when the algorithm stops,  $P_{\text{val}}$  and  $D_{\text{val}}$  the optimal values of the primal and dual problems of the test problems, and gap the dual gap of primal-dual problems. For the first nine experiments, the elements of the vectors b, c, matrix A, and initial points x, y, z are random numbers from 0 to 10.  $B_0$  is the identity matrix.

All of the following experiments are to solve the problem

Primal Dual

min 
$$c^T x$$
 max  $b^T y$ 

s.t.  $Ax = b$ , s.t.  $A^T y + z = c$ ,

 $x \ge K 0$ ,  $z \ge K 0$ .

Example 14. The coefficients were chosen as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4.0181 & 2.3992 & 1.8391 & 4.1727 \\ 0.7597 & 1.2332 & 2.3995 & 0.4965 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 9.0272 & 9.4479 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$c^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 7.8025 & 3.8974 & 2.4169 & 4.0391 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$x^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.9086 & 4.8925 & 3.3772 & 9.0005 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$y^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.6925 & 1.1120 \end{bmatrix},$$
(83)

$$z^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9645 & 1.3197 & 9.4205 & 9.5613 \end{bmatrix},$$

and the initial point was  $(x, y, z, \mu)$ . Let r = 1,  $K^4 \subset \mathbb{R}^4$ . The data of the result of the problem is listed in Table 1.

Table 2

Itr	Prec	Time (s)	$P_{ m val}$	$D_{ m val}$	Gap
35	8.3226E - 04	0.2637	_	_	_
37	7.8771E - 05	0.2648	_	_	_
40	5.6015E - 06	0.2667	_	_	_
42	1.9562E - 07	0.2680	_	_	_
44	2.9281E - 08	0.2690	5.469380116	5.469380172	5.5606E - 08

TABLE 3

Itr	Prec	Time (s)	$P_{ m val}$	$D_{ m val}$	Gap
50	7.8376E - 04	0.5057	_	_	_
53	2.9878E - 05	0.5100	_	_	_
56	3.8683E - 06	0.5130	_	_	_
58	2.2355E - 07	0.5157	_	_	_
59	3.0909E - 08	0.5167	0.605650674	0.605650683	9.4441E - 09

Table 4

NO	m	n	Itr	Prec	Time (s)	$P_{ m val}$	$D_{ m val}$	Gap
exa4	4	8	57	4.0804E - 08	0.3167	-22.63388297	-22.63388298	1.6941 <i>E</i> – 08
exa5	5	10	59	6.9742E - 08	0.1825	15.969930092	15.969930032	6.0249E - 08
exa6	6	10	61	5.4271E - 08	0.2328	7.5547887021	7.5547887065	4.4554E - 09
exa7	6	12	70	8.3825E - 08	0.2794	1.4491206670	1.4491206331	3.3890E - 08
exa8	7	14	77	6.2247E - 08	0.2878	5.6139106732	5.6139106566	1.6642E - 08
exa9	8	16	110	3.8613E - 08	0.3463	0.7337261831	0.7337262035	2.0411E - 08

(84)

Example 15. The coefficients were chosen as

 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 9.3194 & 0.5527 & 0.4500 & 1.1507 & 6.0609 & 9.9326 \\ 0.9332 & 7.5716 & 8.4203 & 2.7156 & 6.7747 & 7.5754 \\ 7.3878 & 4.6349 & 1.6471 & 3.1439 & 9.8764 & 2.7506 \end{bmatrix},$   $b^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 9.5401 & 4.1108 & 2.1662 \end{bmatrix},$   $c^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.3755 & 7.4842 & 5.8386 & 1.6057 & 5.2884 & 4.6267 \end{bmatrix},$   $x^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 6.2913 & 0.1487 & 0.4330 & 1.8026 & 2.0047 & 7.1936 \end{bmatrix},$   $y^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.4287 & 8.4549 & 3.8979 \end{bmatrix},$   $z^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.7954 & 0.9323 & 2.5915 & 3.3584 & 3.7511 & 1.4626 \end{bmatrix},$ 

and the initial point was  $(x, y, z, \mu)$ . Let r = 2,  $K^6 = K^2 \times K^4$ . The data of the result of the problem is listed in the Table 2.

Example 16. The coefficients were chosen as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4.2592 & 1.4806 & 8.2810 & 6.2869 \\ 3.0049 & 9.5916 & 8.0789 & 1.1847 \\ 8.8903 & 7.1447 & 9.0926 & 9.1897 \\ 0.1737 & 3.0647 & 6.4281 & 6.2398 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$2.5758 & 0.8805 & 5.6132 & 3.5499 \\ 9.5130 & 5.1784 & 5.9816 & 2.4479 \\ 0.4621 & 8.7866 & 0.7505 & 1.0803 \\ 0.2093 & 4.0218 & 3.9149 & 1.1229 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.6720 & 2.6639 & 9.3608 & 1.8618 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.4678 & 6.5966 & 7.7966 & 3.5856 \\ 1.8414 & 0.1018 & 0.8591 & 3.2947 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$x^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 5.0744 & 1.4759 & 9.2070 & 9.2946 \\ 1.3675 & 8.7157 & 0.1236 & 7.2204 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$y^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 8.7859 & 3.8745 & 2.4643 & 1.1172 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$z^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.0083 & 5.0657 & 3.8661 & 9.3730 \\ 1.5954 & 7.7971 & 1.7746 & 8.0529 \end{bmatrix}$$

Table 5

NO	m	n	Itr	Prec	Time (s)	$P_{ m val}$	$D_{ m val}$	Gap
exa10	10	20	94	8.8778E - 08	0.6551	31.514993173	31.514993151	2.2923E - 08
exa11	15	28	117	5.4030E - 08	0.9529	48.646522308	48.646522494	1.8531E - 07
exa12	20	40	198	8.3512E - 08	2.3777	107.25705492	107.25705487	5.3633E - 10

and the initial point was  $(x, y, z, \mu)$ . Let r = 3,  $K^8 = K^2 \times K^3 \times K^3$ . The data of the result of the problem is listed in the Table 3.

In Table 4, there are the final numerical results of the next six experiments, where the notations m, n mean the number of the row and column of the matrix A, respectively, and NO denotes the number of the numerical experiments. In these experiments, we let r = 1.

The ultimately numerical results of the last experiments were given in Table 5. All the matrices of A that are in the examples are sparse matrices. The elements of these matrices  $a_{ii}$ ,  $a_{i,i+1}$ ,  $a_{1,j}$ ,  $a_{m,j}$ ,  $i=1,2,\ldots,m,\ j=m+1,\ldots,n$ , are random numbers from 0 to 10. The rest elements of these matrices are zero. In exa10 and exa11, we let r=1. In exa12, we set r=2 and  $K^{40}=K^{20}\times K^{20}$ .

From Table 5, we can see Algorithm A in this paper is efficient. The algorithm not only can solve the case of dense coefficient matrix A, but also can solve the case of sparse coefficient matrix A. From Table 5, we know that the cone K, whether or not partitioned the algorithm, is efficient.

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