

Homework 3

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1 HW 1

1.1 问题重述

考虑以下优化问题：

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m f_i(\mathbf{x})$$

并假设 f 是 β -smooth 并 α -strong convex 的。使用固定步长 mini-batch SGD 来解决问题：

$$\mathbf{x}^{t+1} = \mathbf{x}^t - \frac{s}{n_b} \sum_{i_t \in D_t} \nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)$$

其中 $D_t \subset \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ 是随机取样, $|D_t| = n_b$ 是 D_t 。

我们进一步假设：

- (1) D_t 不依赖于之前的 D_0, D_1, \dots, D_{t-1} .
- (2) $\mathbb{E}_{i_t \in D_t} [\nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)] = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)$ (无偏估计).
- (3) $\mathbb{E}_{i_t \in D_t} [\|\nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2] = \sigma^2 + \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2$ (方差控制).

1.2 问题求解

1.2.1 Lemma1:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} \|g^t\|^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n_b} + \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2$$

其中

$$\mathbf{g}^t = \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i \in D_t} \nabla f_i(\mathbf{x}^t)$$

证明：

因为：

$$E_{i_t \in D_t} [\|\nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2] = \sigma^2 + \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2$$

所以：

$$E_{i_t \in D_t} [\|\nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 - \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2] = \sigma^2$$

上述抽样过程可以被看作两步，分别为 (1): 从 $1, 2, \dots, m$ 中抽取 D_t 集合；(2): 从 D_t 集合中抽取 i_t 。因为第二步抽样有 n_b 种方法，用求均值代替该抽样则消除了该项随机性，则有：

$$E_{D_t} \left[n_b \left(\left\| \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i \in D_t} \nabla f_i(\mathbf{x}^t) \right\|^2 - \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 \right) \right] = \sigma^2$$

1.2.2 Lemma2:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1})] \leq f(\mathbf{x}^t) - s \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)^\top \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\mathbf{g}^t] + \frac{\beta s^2}{2} \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\|\mathbf{g}^t\|^2]$$

证明:

因为 f 是 β -smooth 的, 所以由定义知:

$$\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| \leq \beta \|x - y\|$$

先由 β -smooth 证明:

$$f(y) \leq f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle + \beta \|y - x\|^2$$

构建 $h(t) = f(x + t(y - x))$, 则有:

$$f(y) - f(x) = f(1) - f(0) = \int_0^1 h'(t) dt = \int_0^1 \langle \nabla f(x + t(y - x)), y - x \rangle dt$$

所以:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y) - f(x) - \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle &= \int_0^1 \langle \nabla f(x + t(y - x)) - \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \|\nabla f(x + t(y - x)) - \nabla f(x)\| \|y - x\| dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 t\beta \|y - x\|^2 dt \\ &= \frac{\beta}{2} \|y - x\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

证得:

$$f(y) \leq f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle + \beta \|y - x\|^2$$

由 mini-batch SGD 的迭代方程: $\mathbf{x}^{t+1} = \mathbf{x}^t - \frac{s}{n_b} \sum_{i_t \in D_t} \nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)$ 可知:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x^{t+1}) &\leq f(x^t) + \langle \nabla f(x^t), x^{t+1} - x^t \rangle + \frac{\beta}{2} \|x^{t+1} - x^t\|^2 \\ \iff f(x^{t+1}) &\leq f(x^t) - s \langle \nabla f(x^t), \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i_t \in D_t} \nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t) \rangle + \frac{\beta s^2}{2} \left\| \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i_t \in D_t} \nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t) \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

令 $\mathbf{g}^t = \frac{1}{n_b} \sum_{i_t \in D_t} \nabla f_{i_t}(\mathbf{x}^t)$, 对两边同时做 D_t 上的期望:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1})] \leq f(\mathbf{x}^t) - s \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)^\top \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\mathbf{g}^t] + \frac{\beta s^2}{2} \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\|\mathbf{g}^t\|^2]$$

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1.2.3 Lemma3:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^t)] \leq -\left(s - \frac{\beta s^2}{2}\right) \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 + \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2$$

证明:

由 Lemma2 可知:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^t)] &= \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1})] - f(\mathbf{x}^t) \\ &\leq -s \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)^\top \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\mathbf{g}^t] + \frac{\beta s^2}{2} \mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\|\mathbf{g}^t\|^2] \end{aligned}$$

由 Lemma1 可知:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} \|g^t\|^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n_b} + \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2$$

因为:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [\mathbf{g}^t] = \mathbb{E}_{i_t} [\nabla f_{i_t}(x^t)] = \nabla f(x^t)$$

故有:

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^t)] \leq -\left(s - \frac{\beta s^2}{2}\right) \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 + \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2$$

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1.2.4 Lemma4:

$$\mathbb{E} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f^*] - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2 \leq (1 - \alpha s (2 - \beta s)) \left[\mathbb{E} [f(\mathbf{x}^t) - f^*] - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2 \right]$$

证明:

因为 f 是 α -strong convex 的, 由定义知:

$$f(y) \geq f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2$$

所以:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x^*) &\geq \min_y \{f(x) + \langle \nabla f(x), y - x \rangle + \frac{\alpha}{2} \|x - y\|^2\} \\ &= f(x) - \frac{1}{2\alpha} \|\nabla f(x)\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

所以:

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

由 Lemma3 可知：可知：

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f(\mathbf{x}^t)] &\leq -\left(s - \frac{\beta s^2}{2}\right) \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 + \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2 \\
&= -\frac{s}{2} (2 - \beta s) \|\nabla f(\mathbf{x}^t)\|^2 + \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2 \\
&\leq \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2 - \alpha s (2 - \beta s) (f(x^t) - f^*)
\end{aligned}$$

所以：

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f^*] \leq \frac{\beta s^2}{2n_b} \sigma^2 + (1 - \alpha s (2 - \beta s)) (f(x^t) - f^*)$$

两边同时加上 $-\frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2$ ，则有：

$$\mathbb{E}_{D_t} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f^*] - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2 \leq (1 - \alpha s (2 - \beta s)) (f(x^t) - f^* - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2)$$

两边同时对 x^t 求期望：

$$\mathbb{E} [f(\mathbf{x}^{t+1}) - f^*] - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2 \leq (1 - \alpha s (2 - \beta s)) \left[\mathbb{E} [f(\mathbf{x}^t) - f^*] - \frac{\beta s}{2n_b \alpha (2 - \beta s)} \sigma^2 \right]$$

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2 HW 2

2.1 问题重述

写出 LASSO 问题的 BCD 算法。

2.2 问题求解

假设 $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^\top \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{A}_1, \mathbf{A}_2, \dots, \mathbf{A}_n] \subset \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

LASSO Problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_1$$

先观察 x_1^{t+1} , 固定 $x_2^t, x_3^t, \dots, x_n^t$, 则 $x_1^{t+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \{\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{b} + \sum_{i=2}^n x_i\|^2 + \lambda \|x_1\|_1\}$

定义 $b^t = \mathbf{b} - \sum_{i=2}^n x_i^t$, 则 $x_1^{t+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \{\frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x}_1 - b^t\|^2 + \lambda \|x_1\|_1\}$

对 x_1^t 分类讨论:

当 $x_1 > 0$, $0 \in (\lambda + \mathbf{A}_1^\top (\mathbf{A}_1 x_1 - b^t))$, 则 $x^{t+1} = (\mathbf{A}_1^\top \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_1^\top b^t - \lambda)$, $\mathbf{A}_1^\top b^t > \lambda$

当 $x_1 = 0$, $0 \in \partial(\frac{1}{2} \|b^t\|^2)$ 恒成立, 则 $x^{t+1} = 0$, $-\lambda \leq \mathbf{A}_1^\top b^t \leq \lambda$

当 $x_1 < 0$, $0 \in (-\lambda + \mathbf{A}_1^\top (\mathbf{A}_1 x_1 - b^t))$, 则 $x^{t+1} = (\mathbf{A}_1^\top \mathbf{A}_1)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_1^\top b^t + \lambda)$, $\mathbf{A}_1^\top b^t < -\lambda$

所以,

$$x_i^{t+1} = \begin{cases} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{A}_i)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t - \lambda) & , \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t > \lambda \\ 0 & , -\lambda \leq \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t \leq \lambda \\ (\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{A}_i)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t + \lambda) & , \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t < -\lambda \end{cases}$$

对 $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ 成立。

所以 BCD 算法如下:

Algorithm 1 Block Coordinate Descent for LASSO

Input: 给定的初始迭代点 $x^0 = (x_1^0, x_2^0, \dots, x_n^0)$, $t = 0$

for $t = 0, 1, \dots, T$ **do do**

for $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ **do do**

$$x_i^{t+1} = \begin{cases} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{A}_i)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t - \lambda) & , \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t > \lambda \\ 0 & , -\lambda \leq \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t \leq \lambda \\ (\mathbf{A}_i^\top \mathbf{A}_i)^{-1} (\mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t + \lambda) & , \mathbf{A}_i^\top b^t < -\lambda \end{cases}$$

end for

end for

return x^T, z^T

3 HW 3

3.1 问题重述

写出 Fused-LASSO 问题的 ADMM 算法.

3.2 问题求解

Fused LASSO $\min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{Dx}\|_1$, 该模型可以将较小系数压缩为零, 不可以将部分系数的差分压缩为零, 使相邻系数更平滑.

$$\text{其中 } \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-1) \times n}$$

将原优化问题转化为 ADMM 形式:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x}} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{Dx} - \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

构建增广拉格朗日函数:

$$L_{\rho}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{z}, \boldsymbol{\nu}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 + \frac{\rho}{2} \|\mathbf{Dx} - \mathbf{z}\|^2 + \boldsymbol{\nu}^{\top} (\mathbf{Dx} - \mathbf{z})$$

令 $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\boldsymbol{\nu}}{\rho}$, 则 $\mathbf{u}^{t+1} = \mathbf{u}^t + \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z}^{t+1}$

$$\mathbf{x}^{t+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|^2 + \frac{\rho}{2} \|\mathbf{Dx} - \mathbf{z}^t + \mathbf{u}^t\|^2 \right\} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} h(\mathbf{x})$$

则 $h'(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{A}^{\top}(\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}) + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top}(\mathbf{Dx} - \mathbf{z}^t + \mathbf{u}^t) = (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A} + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{D}) \mathbf{x} - (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{b} + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{z}^t - \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{u}^t) = 0$
因为 $\rho > 0$, 所以 $\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A} + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{D}$ 可逆

$$\text{Step1: } \mathbf{x}^{t+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{x}} h(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{A} + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{D})^{-1} (\mathbf{A}^{\top} \mathbf{b} + \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{z}^t - \rho \mathbf{D}^{\top} \mathbf{u}^t)$$

$$\mathbf{z}^{t+1} = \arg\min_{\mathbf{z}} \left\{ \lambda \|\mathbf{z}\|_1 + \frac{\rho}{2} \|\mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{u}^t\|^2 \right\}$$

若 $\mathbf{z} > 0$, 则 $0 \in (\lambda - \rho(\mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{u}^t)), \mathbf{z}^{t+1} = \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t - \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t > \frac{\lambda}{\rho}$

若 $\mathbf{z} = 0$, 则 $0 \in \partial(\frac{\rho}{2} \|\mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t\|^2)$ 恒成立, $\mathbf{z}^{t+1} = 0, -\frac{\lambda}{\rho} \leq \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t \leq \frac{\lambda}{\rho}$

若 $\mathbf{z} < 0$, 则 $0 \in (-\lambda - \rho(\mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z} + \mathbf{u}^t)), \mathbf{z}^{t+1} = \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t + \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t < -\frac{\lambda}{\rho}$

所以,

$$\text{Step2: } \mathbf{z}^{t+1} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t - \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, & \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t > \frac{\lambda}{\rho} \\ 0, & -\frac{\lambda}{\rho} < \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t < \frac{\lambda}{\rho} \\ \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t + \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, & \mathbf{Dx}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t < -\frac{\lambda}{\rho} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Step3: } \mathbf{u}^{t+1} = \mathbf{u}^t + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z}^{t+1}$$

所以 ADMM 算法如下:

Algorithm 2 ADMM for Fused LASSO

Input: 给定的初始迭代点 $x^0, z^0, t = 0$

for $t = 0, 1, \dots, T$ do do

$$\text{Step1: } \mathbf{x}^{t+1} = \underset{\mathbf{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} h(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A} + \rho \mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{D})^{-1} (\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{b} + \rho \mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{z}^t - \rho \mathbf{D}^\top \mathbf{u}^t)$$

$$\text{Step2: } \mathbf{z}^{t+1} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t - \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, & \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t > \frac{\lambda}{\rho} \\ 0, & -\frac{\lambda}{\rho} < \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t < \frac{\lambda}{\rho} \\ \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t + \frac{\lambda}{\rho}, & \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} + \mathbf{u}^t < -\frac{\lambda}{\rho} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Step3: } \mathbf{u}^{t+1} = \mathbf{u}^t + \mathbf{D}\mathbf{x}^{t+1} - \mathbf{z}^{t+1}$$

end for

return x^T, z^T

4 HW 4

4.1 问题重述

请思考以下问题的 ADMM 算法:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x}} \quad & \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

要使用指示函数 $\Omega = \{\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}\}$

4.2 问题求解

原优化问题:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x}} \quad & \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

通过引入指示函数: $\delta_{\Omega}(z) = \begin{cases} 0, z \in \Omega = \{z \mid Az = \mathbf{b}\} \\ \infty, \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 构建成 ADMM 形式:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x}} \quad & \|\mathbf{x}\|_1 + \delta_{\Omega}(z) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{x} - z = 0 \end{aligned}$$

构建增广拉格朗日函数:

$$L_{\rho}(x, z, v) = \|x\|_1 + \delta_{\Omega}(z) + \frac{\rho}{2}\|x - z\|^2 + v^T(x - z)$$

令 $u = \frac{v}{\rho}$, 则 $u^{t+1} = u^t + x^{t+1} - z^{t+1}$

已知近端梯度算子定义为 $\text{prox}_{rg}(z) = \arg \min_x g(x) + \frac{1}{2}\|x - z\|^2$; 投影函数的定义为 $\pi_{\Omega}(z) = \arg \min_{x \in \Omega} \|x - z\|^2$

由 ADMM 算法知:

$$x^{t+1} = \arg \min_x (\|x\|_1 + \frac{\rho}{2}\|x - z^t + u^t\|^2) = \text{prox}_{\|\cdot\|_1}(z^t - u^t) = \begin{cases} z^t - u^t - \frac{1}{\rho}, & z^t - u^t > \frac{1}{\rho} \\ 0, & -\frac{1}{\rho} \leq z^t - u^t \leq \frac{1}{\rho} \\ z^t - u^t + \frac{1}{\rho}, & z^t - u^t < -\frac{1}{\rho} \end{cases}$$

$$z^{t+1} = \arg \min_z (\delta_{\Omega}(z) + \frac{\rho}{2}\|x^{t+1} - z + u^t\|^2) = \arg \min_{z \in \Omega} (\frac{\rho}{2}\|x^{t+1} - z + u^t\|^2) = \pi_{\Omega}(x^{t+1} + u^t)$$

所以 ADMM 算法如下:

Algorithm 3 ADMM for Basis Pursuit Problem

Input: 给定的初始迭代点 $x^0, z^0, t = 0$

for $t = 0, 1, \dots, T$ **do** **do**

Step 1: $x^{t+1} = \text{prox}_{\|\cdot\|_\rho}(z^t - u^t)$

Step 2: $z^{t+1} = \pi_\Omega(x^{t+1} + u^t)$

Step 3: $u^{t+1} = u^t + x^{t+1} - z^{t+1}$

end for

return x^T, z^T
