

Linear Programming:

Part (i): Strict Feasibility and Degeneracy

Part (ii): Best Approximation and
Exterior Point Path Following



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Motivation/Main Results

Background

- Currently: **simplex and interior point** methods are **most popular** algorithms for solving linear programs, LPs.
- Unlike general conic programs, (finite) LPs do **not require strict feasibility** for **strong duality**. Hence strict feasibility (no variable fixed at zero; one type of degeneracy) is often less emphasized.

History Degeneracy

- techniques for resolving degeneracy:
 - (symbolic) perturbation Charnes '52 [10];
 - lexicographic Dantzig-Orden-Wolfe '55 [14];
 - modified lexicographic Wolfe '63 [38] (more efficient Ryan-Osborne '88 [32]);
 - Bland finite pivoting rule 77 [5] (simple/less efficient)
- Megiddo '86 [26]: “exiting degenerate vertex as hard as solving general LP”

We show that lack of strict feasibility:

- 1 causes **numerical difficulties** in both simplex and interior point methods.
- 2 and \implies **all** basic feasible solutions, BFS, are degenerate

We introduce:

- 1 the notion of **implicit singularity** when strict feasibility fails;
- 2 an extension of Phase-I of simplex method for **the two part preprocessing** for **strict feasibility**

Background and Notation

Feasible LPs; standard form (with FINITE opt. value)

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{P}) \quad (\text{finite}) \quad p^* = \quad & \min_x \quad c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n \end{aligned}$$

assume wlog $\text{rank}(A) = m$;

with feasible set: $\mathcal{F} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax = b, x \geq 0\}$

Dual LP

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{D}) \quad p^* = d^* = \quad & \max \quad b^T y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A^T y \leq c \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ & y \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

(equivalently $A^T y + s = c, s \geq 0$ slack)

History: Kantorovich; Dantzig, Karmarkar

Kantorovich '39, USSR, WWII

- transportation models and optimal solutions (algorithm)
- helped NKVD with transportation problems

Dantzig '47, USA, SIMPLEX METHOD

- following duality/game-theory by Von Neumann
- Hotelling: “but the world is nonlinear”
- Von Neumann: “if you have a linear model, you can now solve it”
- SIAM survey 1970's: 70% of ALL world computer time is spent on the simplex method

Karmarkar '84, Interior Point Revolution

- Lustig-Marsten-Shanno OB1 code '90; large went from: ($m = 1e3 \times n = 1e4$) to ($m = 1e5 \times n = 1e7$)
- to modern day: ($m = 1e6 \times n = 1e10$)

Strict Feasibility, Slater, Mangasarian-Fromovitz CQ

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there exists \hat{y} with $A^T \hat{y} < c$ (Slater CQ)

Stability: MFCQ/Slater \iff

stability wrt RHS perturbations

\iff compact set of dual variables

Basic (Feasible/Degenerate) Solutions

Definition (basic (feasible) solution)

- Given: $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $Ax = b$ and $\mathcal{B} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}$, $|\mathcal{B}| = m$; let $\mathcal{N} = \{1 \dots n\} \setminus \mathcal{B}$.

Then x is a **basic solution** if

$$A(:, \mathcal{B}) \text{ is nonsingular and } x_i = 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{N}$$

- x is a basic **feasible** solution, **BFS**, if in addition $x \geq 0$. It is **degenerate**, if $\exists i \in \mathcal{B}, x_i = 0$

Equivalently, if $Ax = b, x \geq 0$ (feasible):

x is **basic** if there exists

$$\mathcal{N} \subset \{1, \dots, n\}, |\mathcal{N}| = n - m, x_i = 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{N};$$

and the corresponding matrix of **active constraints**

$$\begin{bmatrix} A \\ I_{\mathcal{N}} \end{bmatrix} \text{ is nonsingular.}$$

It is **degenerate** if there are redundant active constraints.

Two Kinds of Degeneracy

Definition (Degenerate BFS)

x BFS is $\begin{cases} \text{nondegenerate,} & \text{if } x_i > 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{B}, \\ \text{degenerate,} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Definition (variable fixed at 0)

Let $i_0 \in \mathcal{I} = \{1, \dots, n\}$. x_{i_0} is fixed at 0 if $x_{i_0} = 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$. Let

$$\mathcal{I}^= = \{i \in \mathcal{I} : x_i \text{ is fixed at } 0\}, \mathcal{I}^< = \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{I}^=$$

\bar{x} a degenerate BFS with basis \mathcal{B} is of type:

- 1 if: $i \in \mathcal{B}, \bar{x}_i = 0 \implies i \in \mathcal{I}^<$
- 2 if: there exists $i \in \mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{I}^=$

Below we see that:

if $\mathcal{I}^= \neq \emptyset$, then **ALL BFS are of Type 2.**

Facial Reduction, FR, for LPs that fail Strict Feasibility

Two Steps

- obtain an equivalent problem with **strict feasibility**;
- recover **full-row rank** for the constraint matrix
(always needed for MFCQ)

Definition (Face of a convex set K)

A convex set $F \subseteq K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a face of K , denoted $F \trianglelefteq K$, if
 $y, z \in K, x = \frac{1}{2}(y + z) \in F \implies y, z \in F$.

The **minimal face** for F , $\text{face}(F)$, is the intersection of all faces of K containing C .

faces of \mathbb{R}_+^n , nonnegative orthant

for fixed indices $\hat{\mathcal{I}} \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$F = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : x_i = 0, \forall i \in \hat{\mathcal{I}}\}$$

Theorem (DW: [15, Theorem 3.1.3] Theorem of the Alternative)

For the feasible system \mathcal{F} of the LP, exactly one of the following statements holds:

- 1 There exists $x \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^n$ with $Ax = b$, i.e., strict feasibility holds;
- 2 There exists $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that

$$(*) \quad 0 \neq z := A^T y \in \mathbb{R}_+^m, \quad \text{and} \quad \langle b, y \rangle = 0,$$

exposing vector $z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$

(*) is equivalent to:

exposing vector $0 \neq z \geq 0$ exists for the minimal face containing the feasible set, i.e.,

$$x \in \mathcal{F} \iff Ax = b, x \geq 0$$

$$\implies \langle z, x \rangle = \langle A^T y, x \rangle = \langle y, Ax \rangle = \langle y, b \rangle = 0$$

Facial Reduction two steps; Outline

suppose strict feasibility fails; i.e., get **exposing vector** z

① Thm of Alternative implies: $\exists 0 \preceq z = A^T y \in \mathbb{R}^m$:

$$\begin{aligned}x \in \mathcal{F} &\implies 0 \leq \langle x, z \rangle = \langle x, A^T y \rangle = \langle Ax, y \rangle = \langle b, y \rangle = 0 \\ &\implies 0 = x \circ z \\ &\iff 0 = x_j z_j = 0, \forall j \\ &\text{yields complementary unit vectors } e_k\end{aligned}$$

cardinality of support of z : $s_z = |\{i : z_i > 0\}|$

② $z = \sum_{j=1}^{s_z} z_j e_{t_j}$, t_j nondecreasing order

$x = \sum_{j=1}^{n-s_z} x_{s_j} e_{s_j}$, s_j nondecreasing order.

$$V = [e_{s_1} \quad e_{s_2} \quad \dots \quad e_{s_{n-s_z}}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-s_z)}, \quad Vz = 0.$$

③ $\mathcal{F} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : Ax = b\} = \{x = Vv \in \mathbb{R}^n : AVv = b, v \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-s_z}\}$

④ Recover full row rank: $A \leftarrow P_{\bar{m}} A V, b \leftarrow P_{\bar{m}} b$

Facial Reduction, FR; Two Steps

matrix $V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-s_z)}$, **facial range vector**

Every facial reduction step yields at least one redundant constraint, BW: [8],IW: [21, Lemma 2.7],S: [36, Section 3.5].

Lemma (step 2: redundant constraint)

Consider the facially reduced feasible set

$$\mathcal{F}_r = \{v : AVv = b, v \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-s_z}\}.$$

*Then at least one linear constraint of the LP is **redundant**.*

Proof.

Let: $0 \neq z = A^T y \geq 0$ exposing vector; V corresponding facial range vector; Then:

$$0 = V^T z = V^T A^T y = (AV)^T y = \sum_{i=1}^m y_i ((AV)^T)_i$$

Since $0 \neq y \in \mathbb{R}^m$, the rows of AV are linearly dependent. \square

Result of full two step FR: strict feas.; full rank

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F} &= \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : Ax = b\} \\ &= \{x = Vv \in \mathbb{R}^n : \bar{A}v := (P_{\bar{m}}AV)v = (P_{\bar{m}}b) =: \bar{b}, \\ &\quad v \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-s_z}\}\end{aligned}$$

- **after substit:** $\min(V^T c)^T v$ s.t. $\bar{A}v = \bar{b}$, $v \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-s_z}$
- $\exists \hat{v} > 0, \bar{A}\hat{v} = \bar{b}$ (MFCQ)
- **full rank $\bar{A} = P_{\bar{m}}AV$:** $P_{\bar{m}} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\bar{m}}$, $\bar{m} = \text{rank}(AV) < m$.
 $P_{\bar{m}}$ is projection that chooses the linearly independent rows of AV .
- BOTH # variables, # constraints are **strictly reduced**.

This emphasizes the **ILL-CONDITIONING** of problems where strict feasibility fails, i.e., **Implicit singularity** is eliminated using FR.

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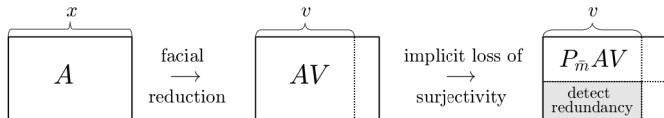
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Set $y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow A^T y = (1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 7 \ 0)^T \geq 0$ and $\langle b, y \rangle = 0$.

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Definition ($d = sd(\mathcal{F}) = \min |FR \text{ steps}|$)

Definition (Hölder regularity)

the pair of closed, convex subsets A, B is γ -Hölder regular if $\forall U$ compact, $\exists c > 0$ with:

$$\text{dist}(x, A \cap B) \leq c \cdot \left(\text{dist}^\gamma(x, A) + \text{dist}^\gamma(x, B) \right) \quad \text{for all } x \in U.$$

Sturm [37] error bound Theorem for SDP, $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{L} \cap \mathbb{S}_+^n$

$(\mathcal{L}, \mathbb{S}_+^n)$ is $\frac{1}{2^d}$ -Hölder regular. (\mathcal{L} linear manifold)

- for **LPs**, FR in **one iteration** using **maximal exposing vector**, i.e., $d = \mathbf{sd}(\mathcal{F}) \leq 1$
- FR for LPs does not alter sparsity pattern of A . (only involves discarding columns of A ; rows of A, b)

Theorem

^a Suppose that strict feasibility of \mathcal{F} fails. Then every basic feasible solution, BFS, $x \in \mathcal{F}$ with basis \mathcal{B} has $\mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{I}^- \neq \emptyset$ and thus is degenerate.

^aContrapositive found in Bertsimas-Tsitsiklis book [4, Exer. 2.19].

Proof.

- $\mathcal{F} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : AVv = b, v \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n-s_z}\}$, facial range vctr V
- wlog $V = \begin{bmatrix} I_r \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $r = n - s_z$;
- recall by redundant constraint lemma: $\text{rank } AV < m$
- implies $\text{rank } A(:, \{1, \dots, r\}) < m$
- BFS implies $\text{rank } A(:, \mathcal{B}) = m$; implies $\exists i \in \mathcal{B}, i > r$
- implies $\exists i \in \mathcal{B} \cap \mathcal{I}^-, x_i = 0$ (degeneracy) □

Corollary, Stability, Converse

Corollary (contrapositive motivates phase I part 2)

If there exists a nondegenerate basic feasible solution, then there exists a strictly feasible point in \mathcal{F} .

Stability from above corollary

Recall: strict feasibility (and full rank, MFCQ) is equivalent to stability wrt RHS perturbations.

Example (converse fails; all BFS degenerate $\not\Rightarrow$ MFCQ fails)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & -3 & 2 & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}; \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad 0 < x = \frac{1}{10} (1 \quad 1 \quad 5.5 \quad 3 \quad 1)^T$$

4 deg. feas. bases: $\mathcal{B} = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1, 4\} : x = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0)^T$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\{2, 3\}, \{3, 4\} : x = (0, 0, 1/2, 0, 0)^T$$

(Also, the linear assignment problem is highly degenerate but has a strictly feasible point (average).)

We want to **avoid implicit singularity**

- improve conditioning, number of iterations

interior point methods

- Condition number of **normal equation system**
- stopping criteria

$$\text{KKT} = \left(\frac{\|Ax^* - b\|}{1 + \|b\|}, \frac{\|A^T y^* + s^* - c\|}{1 + \|c\|}, \frac{\langle x^*, s^* \rangle}{n} \right).$$

simplex methods (NETLIB data set)

- percentage of **degenerate iterations**

Interior Point Methods

Optimality Conditions at current $(x > 0, y, s > 0), \mu > 0$

$X = \text{Diag}(x), S = \text{Diag}(s)$.

$$\begin{aligned}A^T \Delta y + \Delta s - c &= 0 && \text{dual feasibility} \\A \Delta x - b &= 0 && \text{primal feasibility} \\S \Delta x + X \Delta s &= \mu e && \text{complementary slackness}\end{aligned}$$

After block elimination, solve normal equations for Δy

- Use Δs in eqn 1 to eliminate Δs in eqn 3.
- Solve for Δx in eqn 3 and eliminate it in eqn 2.
- We get the normal equations

$$AS^{-1}XA^T \Delta y = RHS.$$

- Backsolve for $\Delta x, \Delta s$ to get the Newton direction.

condition numbers of normal matrix; x^* , s^* near optimal

$$\kappa \left(AD^*A^T \right), \text{ where } D^* = \text{Diag}(x^*)\text{Diag}(s^*)^{-1} \quad (1)$$

three families of instances

- 1 $(\mathcal{P}_{(A,b,c)})$ do not have strictly feasible points;
- 2 $(\bar{\mathcal{P}}_{(A,\bar{b},c)})$ have strictly feasible points;
- 3 $(\mathcal{P}_{(A_{FR},b_{FR},c_{FR})})$ facially reduced instances of $(\mathcal{P}_{(A,b,c)})$.

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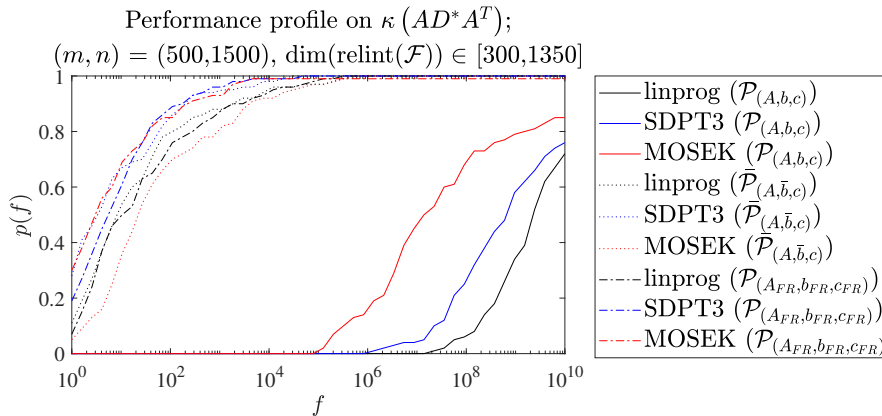


Figure: Performance profile on $\kappa(ADA^T)$ with(out) strict feasibility near optimum; various solvers

Empirics on Stopping Criteria

test the average performance of 10 instances of size $(n, m, r) = (3000, 500, 2000)$

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		Non-Facially Reduced System	Facially Reduced System
linprog	KKT	(9.58e-16, 1.80e-12, 5.17e-09)	(5.78e-16, 1.51e-15, 5.57e-08)
	iter	23.30	17.60
	time	1.10	0.76
SDPT3	KKT	(1.51e-10, 1.49e-12, 4.67e-03)	(8.54e-12, 3.75e-16, 4.19e-06)
	iter	25.40	19.80
	time	0.82	0.53
MOSEK	KKT	(8.40e-09, 7.54e-16, -5.16e-06)	(5.16e-09, 3.81e-16, -2.03e-08)
	iter	35.90	10.10
	time	0.58	0.31

Table: Average of KKT conditions, iterations and time of (non)-facially reduced problems

Empirics on the Number of Degenerate Iterations

- MOSEK (values in the table) reports percentage of degenerate iterations i.e., 'DEGITER(%)' is ratio of degenerate iterations. (smaller value is better).
- $r = |\text{supp}(s)|$; smaller value $(r/n)\%$ means entries of s are identically 0; 100% means strict feasibility holds.
- note significant decrease in 'DEGITER(%)'.

		$(r/n)\%$				
		60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
(n, m)	(1000, 250)	36.62	10.18	0.01	0.02	0.00
	(2000, 500)	39.72	18.28	0.07	0.15	0.01
	(3000, 750)	25.99	10.66	0.32	0.75	0.02
	(4000, 1000)	29.78	18.25	0.25	0.53	0.02

Table: Average of ratio of degenerate iterations DEGITER(%)

Phase I(b): Towards Strict Feasibility

- \bar{x} , \mathcal{B} degenerate BFS/basis; Wlog basic variables located first \bar{x} as are degenerate variables. Solve (using basis from phase I simplex method)

$$p_1^* = \max\{x_1 : Ax = b, x \geq 0\}.$$

- 1 Suppose that $p_1^* > 0$. Then, the variable x_1 is not an identically 0 variable, i.e., $1 \notin \mathcal{I}_0$.
- 2 Suppose that $p_1^* = 0$. Then, the variable x_1 is an identically 0 variable, i.e., $1 \in \mathcal{I}_0$. Let \mathcal{B}^* be an optimal basis. Then we have an exposing vector

$$y^* = A(:, \mathcal{B}^*)^T e_1, \langle b, y^* \rangle = 0 \text{ and } A^T y^* \geq e_1.$$

- Add up certificates: $y^\circ = \sum_j y^j$ to get exposing vector

$$A^T y^\circ = \sum_j A^T y^j \geq 0, A^T y^\circ \neq 0, \langle b, y^\circ \rangle = \sum_j \langle b, y^j \rangle = 0.$$

- loss of strict feasibility has **many applications** recent survey Drusvyatskiy-W. [15].
- though not needed theoretically in LP, loss of MFCQ results in stability/numerical issues.
- In the paper we introduced new concept: **Implicit Singularity Degree**, maximum number of FR steps, and presented an algorithm, phase I (b), that regularizes an LP, for strict feasibility holding.

Regularized Nonsmooth Newton Algorithms for Best Approximation with Applications to Large Scale LP



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Main Problem/Best Approximation

Given $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ a polyhedral set, find the **nearest point to v from the set P**

Nonsmooth Algorithms

- Application of **Moreau Decomposition/elegant equation**
- present regularized nonsmooth method; singular Jacobian
- compare computational performance to classical projection methods (e.g., HLWB projection method)

Applications

solving large scale linear programs; triangles from branch and bound methods; generalized constrained linear least squares.

best approximation problem to polyhedral set $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

find the nearest point $x^* \in P$ to a given point $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$

uniquely attained optimum (projection of v onto P)

$$\text{optimum: } x^*(v) = \operatorname{argmin}_{x \in P} \frac{1}{2} \|x - v\|^2$$

optimal value: $p^*(v) = \frac{1}{2} \|x^*(v) - v\|^2$

Nonsmooth Newton Method

We apply a

(regularized/scaled) nonsmooth Newton method to a special form of the optimality conditions based on a Moreau decomposition.

- The special Moreau decomposition for the optimality conditions comes from work in infinite dimensional Hilbert space e.g., [11, 12, 27, 9], where the projection is actually differentiable, and typically P is the intersection of a cone and a linear manifold of finite co-dimension (finite # constraints).
- parametrized quadratic problem to solve finite dimensional linear programs [35] applied in our work here below. (In this finite dimensional case differentiability was lost.)
- infinite dimensional applications appear in the theory of *partially finite programs* in [6, 7] Further references in [34, 22, 2].

- differentiability is lost in finite dimensional; this led to application of semismoothness [28, 30, 29].
- More recently: applications for nearest Euclidean distance matrices and nearest doubly stochastic in [1, 20].
- The optimum $x^*(v)$ is often called the *projection onto the polyhedral set* and is known to be unique. Differentiability properties are nontrivial as discussed in e.g., [19]. A characterization of differentiability in terms of normal cones is given in [16]. Further results and connections to semismoothness is in e.g., [19, 18]. A survey presentation is at [33].

Projection onto a Polyhedral Set

$$(P) \quad \begin{aligned} x^*(v) := & \operatorname{argmin}_x \frac{1}{2} \|x - v\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} & \quad Ax = b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ & \quad x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, \end{aligned}$$
$$\text{optimal value: } p^*(v) = \frac{1}{2} \|x^*(v) - v\|^2,$$

Assumptions: A full row rank; feasible set nonempty

Optimality Conditions

Theorem ($F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$; find root y^* ; Newton)

The optimum $x^*(v)$ exists and is unique. Let

$$(*) \quad F(y) := A(v + A^T y)_+ - b, \quad f(y) := \frac{1}{2} \|F(y)\|^2$$

Then $F(y) = 0$ has a root y^* , $F(y^*) = 0 \iff y \in \operatorname{argmin} f(y^*)$

$$x^*(v) = (v + A^T y^*)_+, \text{ for any root } F(y^*) = 0.$$

Moreover, strong duality holds and the dual problem is

$$\begin{aligned} p^*(v) &= d^*(v) \\ &:= \max_{z \geq 0, y} \phi(y, z) \quad (= \min_x L(x, y, z)) \\ &:= -\frac{1}{2} \|z - A^T y\|^2 + y^T (Av - b) - z^T v. \end{aligned}$$

AND

At each iteration, we get a provable/calculable lower bound

$$\max_{z \geq 0, y} \phi(y, z) = -\frac{1}{2} \|z - A^T y\|^2 + y^T (Av - b) - z^T v$$

Proof of Optimality Conditions

Proof.

$$L(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{2}\|x - v\|^2 + y^T(b - Ax) - z^T x;$$

$$\nabla_x L(x, y, z) = x - v - A^T y - z;$$

$$\text{stationarity: } 0 = \nabla_x L(x, y, z) \implies x = (v + A^T y) + z$$

$$\implies L(x, y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}\|z + A^T y\|^2 + y^T(b - Av) - z^T v.$$

KKT optimality conditions

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} L(x, y, z) = x - v - A^T y - z = 0 \quad (\text{dual feasibility})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} L(x, y, z) = Ax - b = 0 \quad (\text{primal feasibility})$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} L(x, y, z) \cong x \in (\mathbb{R}_+^n - z)^+ \quad (\text{compl. slackness, } z^T x = 0 \text{ or } z \circ x = 0)$$



(cont... Solve opt. cond.

$$\begin{bmatrix} x - v - A^T y - z \\ Ax - b \\ z^T x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad x, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

Moreau Decomposition:

$$v + A^T y = x - z = x + (-z), \quad x^T z = 0$$

$$x = (v + A^T y)_+; \quad z = -(v + A^T y)_-$$

$$F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m;$$

$$F(y) = A(v + A^T y)_+ - b = 0, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$



Apply Newton at current y_c ; Newton direction Δy

$$F'(y_c)\Delta y = -F(y_c); \quad y_p = y_c + \Delta y$$

Compare Interior Point Methods

Block Elimination on Perturbed KKT Conditions

$$\begin{bmatrix} r_d \\ r_p \\ r_c \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} x - v - A^T y - z \\ Ax - b \\ Zx - \mu e \end{bmatrix}, \quad x, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

$$F'_\mu \Delta s = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x - A^T \Delta y - \Delta z \\ A \Delta x - b \\ X \Delta z + Z \Delta x \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x \\ \Delta y \\ \Delta z \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} r_d \\ r_p \\ r_c \end{bmatrix}, \quad x, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

Normal Equations Reduction to Δy

Currently, normal equations are not considered efficient. But the Newton equation was a precursor and appears to be efficient?

$$F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m; \quad F(y) = A(v + A^T y)_+ - b = 0, \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$F'(y_c) \Delta y = -F(y_c); \quad y_p = y_c + \Delta y$$

minimize squared residual $f(y) = \frac{1}{2} \|F(y)\|^2$

differentiable case $\{i : (v + A^T y)_i = 0\} = \emptyset$:

$$\nabla f(y) = (F'(y))^* F(y)$$

Definition ((local) Lipschitz Continuity)

Let $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$. A function $F : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is *Lipschitz continuous* on Ω if there exists $K > 0$ such that

$$\|F(y) - F(z)\| \leq K \|y - z\|, \quad \forall y, z \in \Omega.$$

F is *locally Lipschitz continuous* on Ω if for each $x \in \Omega$ there exists a neighbourhood U of x such that F is Lipschitz continuous on U .

Rademacher's Theorem [31, 17]

$F : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ locally Lipschitz on Ω implies that it is Frechét differentiable almost everywhere on Ω .

Definition (Clarke [13] Generalized Jacobian)

Suppose that $F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ be locally Lipschitz. Let D_F be the set of points such that F is differentiable. Let $F'(y)$ be the usual Jacobian matrix at $y \in D_F$. The *generalized Jacobian of F at y* , $\partial F(y)$ is

$$\partial F(y) = \text{conv} \left\{ \lim_{\substack{y_i \rightarrow y \\ y_i \in D_F}} F'(y_i) \right\}.$$

In addition, $\partial F(y)$ is nonsingular if every $V \in \partial F(y)$ is nonsingular.

Newton Direction; Newton Equation

$$(F'(y))^*(F'(y))\Delta y = -(F'(y))^*F(y) \iff F'(y)\Delta y = -F(y).$$

$$\Delta y = -((F'(y))^*(F'(y)))^{-1} (F'(y))^*F(y) = -(F'(y))^\dagger F(y)$$

directional derivative: $\Delta y^T \nabla f(y) = \dots$

$$- [(F'(y))^*F(y)]^T \boxed{((F'(y))^*(F'(y)))^{-1}} [(F'(y))^*F(y)] < 0$$

Levenberg-Marquardt, LM, Regularization Method

We now see that we maintain a descent direction.

Lemma (for handling singularity in $(F'(y))^*(F'(y))$)

LM direction is always a descent direction.

Proof.

$(J \cong F'(y))$

$$(J^*J + \lambda I)\Delta y = -J^*F.$$

$$\Delta y = -\left(J^T J + \lambda I\right)^{-1} (J^T F).$$

Therefore, the directional derivative is

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y^T \nabla f(y) &= -\left(\left(J^T J + \lambda I\right)^{-1} (J^T F)\right)^T (J^T F) \\ &= -(J^T F)^T \left(\left(J^T J + \lambda I\right)^{-1}\right) (J^T F) \\ &< 0.\end{aligned}$$



Max. Rank Generalized Jacobian

Cols chosen \cong pos. variables of w

$$Aw_+ = A(\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{N}}w) = (A\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{N}})w_+ = \sum_{w_i > 0} A(:, i)w_i$$

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Note: $v + A^T y \geq 0 \implies F'(\Delta y) = AIA^T \Delta y = AA^T \Delta y$

$$\mathcal{U}(y) := \left\{ u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid u_i \in \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (v + A^T y)_i > 0 \\ [0, 1] & \text{if } (v + A^T y)_i = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } (v + A^T y)_i < 0 \end{cases} \right\}$$

generalized Jacobian at y ; after convex hull

$$\partial F(y) = \{A \text{Diag}(u) A^T \mid u \in \mathcal{U}(y)\}$$

(**max-rank**: choose $u_i = 1$ when possible)

Semismooth Newton Method solving $F(y) = 0$

Solve $(V_k + \lambda I)d_{Newton} = -F(y^k)$, with
 $V_k \in \partial F(y^k)$, $\lambda > 0$, $c \in (0, 1)$

$y^{k+1} = y^k + d_{Newton}$; (or avging $y^{k+1} = (1 - c)y^k + cd_{Newton}$)

Max-rank Jacobian

$$\begin{aligned} AMA^T &:= A \text{Diag}(u) A^T \\ &= \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_+} A_{:i} A_{:i}^T + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}_0} \alpha_i A_{:i} A_{:i}^T, \alpha_i \in [0, 1], \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_0 \end{aligned}$$

maximum (resp. minimum) rank for AMA:

$\alpha_i = 1, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_0$ ($\alpha_i = 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{I}_+$, resp.)

Choosing the optima for the tests; (nondegenerate) vertex

In our tests we can decide on the characteristics of the optimal solution using the properties of (degenerate) vertices.

Recall: x optimal iff $x - v \in \mathcal{F}(x)^+$

Lemma (vertex and polar cone)

$y \in \mathbb{R}^m, x(y) = (v + A^T y)_+ \in \mathcal{F}$. Then:

$x(y)$ vertex $\iff A_{\mathcal{I}_+}$ nonsingular

\iff corresp. gen. Jac. nonsingular.

$x = x(y) \in \mathcal{F} \implies$

$\mathcal{F}(x)^+ = \{w : w = A^T u + z, u \in \mathbb{R}^m, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, x^T z = 0\}$

Proof of Lemma

Proof.

wlog $A = [A_{\mathcal{I}_+} \ A_{\mathcal{I}_0}]$ implies active set is $\begin{bmatrix} A_{\mathcal{I}_+} & A_{\mathcal{I}_0} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$;

This has unique solution $x(y)$ iff $A_{\mathcal{I}_+}$ is nonsingular.
gradient of objective satisfies

$$x - v = A^T y + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{I}_0} z_j e_j.$$

Optimality conditions yield polar cone at a vertex. □

degeneracy of optimal solutions

Let $x \in \text{bdry } \mathcal{F}$;

x is optimal iff $x - v \in \mathcal{F}(x)^+$, i.e., we can choose v with
 $v = x - A^T u + z$, $z \geq 0$, $z^T x = 0$.

and

$x^*(v)$ is differentiable at $v \iff (x^*(v) - v) \in \text{ri}(\mathcal{F} - x^*(v))^+$

Algorithm 1 Best Approx. of v in P ; Exact Newton

- Require:** $v \in \mathbb{R}^n, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m, (A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \text{rank}(A) = m), \varepsilon > 0, \text{maxiter}$
- 1: **Output.** Primal-dual opt: $x_{k+1}, (y_{k+1}, z_{k+1})$
 - 2: **Initialization.** $k \leftarrow 0, x_0 \leftarrow (v + A^T y_0)_+, z_0 \leftarrow (x_0 - (v + A^T y_0))_+, F_0 = Ax_0 - b, \text{stopcrit} \leftarrow \|F_0\|/(1 + \|b\|)$
 - 3: **while** ((stopcrit $> \varepsilon$) & ($k \leq \text{maxiter}$)) **do**
 - 4: $\lambda = \min(1e^{-3}, \text{stopcrit})$
 - 5: $\bar{V} = (V_k + \lambda I_m)$
 - 6: solve pos. def. $\bar{V}d = -F_k$ for Newton direction d
 - 7: **updates**
 - 8: $y_{k+1} \leftarrow y_k + d$
 - 9: $x_{k+1} \leftarrow (v + A^T y_{k+1})_+$
 - 10: $z_{k+1} \leftarrow (x_{k+1} - (v + A^T y_k))_+$
 - 11: $F_{k+1} \leftarrow Ax_{k+1} - b$ (residual)
 - 12: stopcrit $\leftarrow \|F_{k+1}\|/(1 + \|b\|)$
 - 13: $k \leftarrow k + 1$
 - 14: **end while**
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Algorithm 2 Extended HLWB algorithm

Require: $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $(A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \text{rank}(A) = m)$, $\varepsilon > 0$, $\text{maxiter} \in \mathcal{N}$.

- 1: **Output.** x_{k+1}
 - 2: **Initialization.** $k \leftarrow 0$, $msweeps \leftarrow 0$ $x_0 \leftarrow \max(v, 0)$, $y_0 \leftarrow x_0$, $i_0 = 1$
 $\text{stopcrit} \leftarrow \|Ay_0 - b\|/(1 + \|b\|)$ ($= \|F_0\|/(1 + \|b\|)$)
 - 3: **while** $((\text{stopcrit} > \varepsilon) \ \& \ (k \leq \text{maxiter}))$ **do**
 - 4: **if** $1 \leq i(k) \leq m$ **then**
 - 5:
$$y_k = x_k + \frac{b_{i_k} - \langle a_{i_k}, x^k \rangle}{\|a_{i_k}\|^2} a_{i_k}$$
 - 6: **else**
 - 7: $y_k = \max(0, x_k)$
 - 8: **end if**
 - 9: **updates**
 - 10: $\sigma_k = \frac{1}{k+1}$ (change to $\sigma_k = \frac{1}{msweeps+1}$??)
 - 11: $x^{k+1} \leftarrow \sigma_k v + (1 - \sigma_k) y^k$
 - 12: $\text{stopcrit} \leftarrow \|Ay_0 - b\|/(1 + \|b\|)$
 - 13: $k \leftarrow k + 1$
 - 14: **if** $k \bmod (m + 1) == 0$ **then**
 - 15: $msweeps = msweeps + 1$
 - 16: **end if**
 - 17: $i_k = k(\bmod m) + 1$
 - 18: **end while**
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Numerical Tests BAP; varying sizes m, n

Table: $n = 3000$, % density=.81; varying $m = 100, 600, 1100, 1600$

Time (s)					Rel. Resids.				
Exact	Inexact	HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL	Exact	Inexact	HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL
2.13e-03	1.98e-02	1.89e+01	3.22e+00	8.04e-01	2.55e-16	2.41e-15	2.29e-04	4.12e-17	-8.43e-16
8.35e-02	3.03e-01	1.94e+02	4.28e+00	1.27e+00	5.10e-16	5.10e-18	2.19e-04	5.12e-17	-1.53e-16
7.02e-01	1.29e+00	4.16e+02	6.18e+00	2.53e+00	5.20e-16	8.71e-16	2.08e-04	3.80e-17	9.05e-17
1.40e+00	3.59e+00	6.57e+02	7.65e+00	5.13e+00	9.84e-18	1.11e-15	2.27e-04	3.82e-17	-8.61e-17

Table: $m = 200$, % density=.81, varying $n = 3000, 3500, 4000, 4500, 5000$

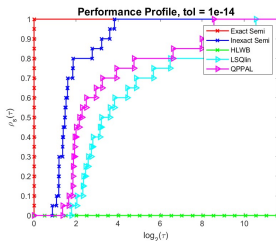
Time (s)					Rel. Resids.				
Exact	Inexact	HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL	Exact	Inexact	HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL
3.12e-03	3.69e-02	4.45e+01	3.50e+00	8.66e-01	8.64e-18	7.39e-17	2.56e-04	6.52e-16	5.89e-17
3.08e-03	4.05e-02	5.17e+01	4.93e+00	1.00e+00	9.07e-18	1.26e-17	2.78e-04	1.23e-15	2.15e-17
3.24e-03	3.70e-02	5.82e+01	7.31e+00	1.09e+00	1.46e-16	8.91e-16	2.80e-04	3.21e-16	-9.18e-18
3.99e-03	4.17e-02	6.58e+01	1.01e+01	1.18e+00	1.80e-15	2.05e-16	3.13e-04	4.61e-17	1.71e-16
3.93e-03	3.42e-02	7.30e+01	1.45e+01	1.26e+00	4.09e-17	1.80e-15	3.16e-04	5.27e-17	-6.28e-17

Numerical Tests BAP varying density

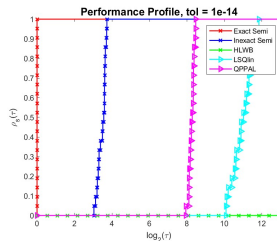
Table: $m = 300$, $n = 1000$, Varying % density=1, 6, 1.1, 1.6

Exact	Inexact	Time (s)			Rel. Resids.				
		HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL	Exact	Inexact	HLWB	LSQ	QPPAL
5.65e-03	5.69e-02	1.67e+01	3.02e-01	5.32e-01	7.48e-16	7.27e-16	1.54e-04	3.33e-17	-8.29e-17
4.80e-02	2.52e-01	4.58e+01	3.15e-01	1.22e+00	3.44e-17	1.18e-16	1.51e-04	2.04e-15	-1.43e-17
6.18e-02	2.49e-01	5.41e+01	3.07e-01	2.10e+00	5.65e-17	1.54e-17	1.44e-04	1.09e-16	1.09e-16
7.79e-02	2.60e-01	5.34e+01	3.03e-01	2.11e+01	6.92e-17	7.98e-17	1.61e-04	4.19e-16	-2.88e-16

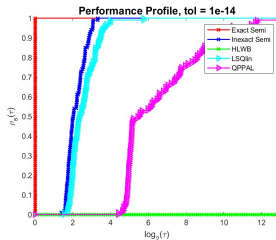
Performance Profiles BAP



(a) Varying m



(b) Varying n



(c) Varying density

Figure 5.1: Performance profiles for problems with varying m , n , and densities for nondegenerate vertex solutions

Applications: Solving (maximization) Large Scale LP

primal (maximization) LP in standard form

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(PLP)} \quad p_{LP}^* := & \max c^T x \\ & \text{s.t. } Ax = b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n. \end{aligned}$$

dual LP

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(DLP)} \quad d_{LP}^* := & \min b^T y \\ & \text{s.t. } A^T y - z = c \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ & z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Assumptions: full rank; finite optimal value

A full row rank;

$p_{LP}^* \in \mathbb{R}$ (so $p_{LP}^* = d_{LP}^* \in \mathbb{R}$ and both attained)

Geometric Algorithm

solution can be found from the limit as $R \uparrow \infty$ of the projection of the vector $v_R = Rc \in \mathbb{R}^n$ onto the feasible set.

Lemma ([23, 24, 25, 35])

Let the given LP data be A, b, c with finite optimal value p_{LP}^* .

For each $R > 0$ define

$$x(R) := \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \|x - Rc\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad Ax = b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n.$$

Then x^* is the **minimum norm solution** of (PLP) if, and only if, there exists $\bar{R} > 0$ such that

$$R \geq \bar{R} \implies x^* \in \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|x - Rc\|^2 : Ax = b, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n \right\}.$$



We use the estimate $R = \min \left\{ 50, \frac{\sqrt{mn} \|b\|}{1 + \|c\|} \right\}$

Avoid numerical/roundoff from large numbers

Corollary (scaling $\frac{1}{R}b$)

$A, b, c, R, x(R)$ as in Lemma. Then

$$\frac{1}{R}x(R) = w(R) := \underset{w}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2}\|w - c\|^2$$

s.t. $Aw = \frac{1}{R}b \in \mathbb{R}^m$
 $w \in \mathbb{R}_+^n.$

Proof.

From

$$\|x - Rc\|^2 = R^2 \left\| \frac{1}{R}x - c \right\|^2 = R^2 \|w - c\|^2, \quad x = Rw,$$

we substitute for x and obtain $A(Rw) = b \iff Aw = \frac{1}{R}b$. The result follows from the observation that argmin does not change after discarding the constant R^2 . \square

Warm Start; Stepping Stone External Path Following

consider scaled problem with:

$$x(R) = R w(R).$$

Recall the optimality conditions for $w = w(R)$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} w - c - A^T y - z \\ Aw - \frac{1}{R} b \\ z^T w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad w, z \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m.$$

We conclude that

$$\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}_{\text{Range}(A^T)} w(R) = 0, \quad \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} R w(R) = x^*, \quad \text{the optimum of the LP.}$$

The optimality conditions are now

$$w = c + A^T y + z, \quad b = ARw = AR(c + A^T y)_+, \quad w^T z = 0, \quad x, z \geq 0.$$

Warm Start from current R : find new R_n, y_n

Theorem

Suppose triple (w, y, z) optimal for scaled problem; let

$$\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}(z) = \{i : z_i > 0\}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \mathcal{B}(w) = \{1 : n\} \setminus \mathcal{N};$$

$$b_{\mathcal{B}} = A_{\mathcal{B}}^T (A_{\mathcal{B}} A_{\mathcal{B}}^T)^{\dagger} b, \quad b_{\mathcal{N}} = A_{\mathcal{N}}^T (A_{\mathcal{B}} A_{\mathcal{B}}^T)^{\dagger} b;$$

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} (b_{\mathcal{B}} - R w_{\mathcal{B}}) \\ -(b_{\mathcal{N}} + R z_{\mathcal{N}}) \end{pmatrix}, \quad f = \begin{pmatrix} R b_{\mathcal{B}} \\ -R b_{\mathcal{N}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then max. value R without changing basis is

$$R_n = \min\{f_i/e_i : e_i > 0, f_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, |\mathcal{B}|\}.$$

Moreover, $R_n = \infty$ implies optimal solution found.

$R_n < \infty \implies$ corresponding changes are:

$$\Delta y_{\mathcal{P}} = (A_{\mathcal{B}} A_{\mathcal{B}}^T)^{\dagger} b; \quad \Delta y = \left(\frac{R - R_n}{R R_n} \right) \Delta y_{\mathcal{P}}.$$

$$\Delta w_{\mathcal{B}} = A_{\mathcal{B}}^T \left(\frac{R - R_n}{R R_n} \right) \Delta y_{\mathcal{P}}$$

$$\Delta z_{\mathcal{N}} = -A_{\mathcal{N}}^T \left(\frac{R - R_n}{R R_n} \right) \Delta y_{\mathcal{P}}$$

LP Numerical Tests

Specifications			Time (s)							Rel. Resids.					
m	n	% density	RNNM	Linprog DS	Linprog IPM	MOSEK DS	MOSEK IPM	SNIPAL	RNNM	Linprog DS	Linprog IPM	MOSEK DS	MOSEK IPM	SNIPAL	
2e+03	5e+03	1.0e-01	7.93e-02	3.59e-02	4.74e-02	1.32e-01	1.65e-01	4.47e-01	3.38e-17	3.38e-17	4.88e-09	1.31e-16	1.53e-16	3.63e-03	
2e+03	1e+04	1.0e-01	9.84e-02	4.98e-02	7.64e-02	1.52e-01	1.93e-01	5.86e-01	2.82e-17	2.82e-17	1.60e-04	1.31e-16	2.89e-16	3.30e-03	
2e+03	1e+05	1.0e-01	1.69e-01	4.00e-01	7.56e-01	5.37e-01	6.45e-01	2.51e+00	1.48e-17	1.48e-17	1.72e-05	8.84e-17	3.68e-16	1.54e-03	
5e+03	1e+04	1.0e-01	9.72e+01	2.09e-01	1.41e+01	4.29e-01	2.67e+00	5.75e+00	5.55e-17	5.55e-17	5.02e-07	1.67e-14	3.20e-16	3.94e-03	
5e+03	1e+05	1.0e-01	7.76e+01	7.34e-01	1.43e+02	1.09e+00	7.95e+00	1.36e+01	2.36e-17	2.36e-17	6.38e-05	3.13e-16	3.91e-15	1.82e-03	
5e+03	5e+05	1.0e-01	2.31e+02	7.04e+00	6.56e+02	7.02e+00	1.56e+01	3.01e+01	1.52e-17	1.52e-17	3.73e-05	3.92e-16	3.56e-16	1.13e-03	
2e+04	1e+05	1.0e-02	6.16e-01	9.55e-01	5.73e+00	1.06e+00	2.51e+00	4.50e+00	1.36e-17	1.36e-17	4.33e-07	1.99e-06	1.28e-16	3.58e-03	
2e+04	5e+05	1.0e-02	6.68e-01	4.50e+00	3.77e+01	5.68e+00	9.29e+00	1.69e+01	8.48e-18	8.48e-18	8.83e-07	1.36e-06	1.15e-15	1.47e-03	
2e+04	1e+06	1.0e-02	1.52e+00	9.37e+00	6.52e+01	1.18e+01	1.58e+01	2.99e+01	7.08e-18	7.08e-18	6.27e-06	1.76e-06	4.29e-16	1.20e-03	
1e+05	1e+07	1.0e-03	5.76e+00	1.14e+01	6.24e+00	9.47e+01	9.72e+01	2.33e+02	1.39e-18	1.39e-18	1.39e-18	1.76e-17	1.76e-17	1.04e-03	

Table 5.4: LP application results averaged on 5 randomly generated problems per row

Performance Profile LP

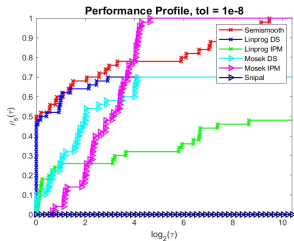


Figure 5.2: Performance Profiles for LP application wrt all problems

- efficient, robust algorithm for projection of a point onto a polyhedral set.
- One of many applications is to solving large scale LPs; we get a finite converging stepping stone exterior path following algorithm (mixture of simplex/interior-point)



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