

# **Numerical Algorithms for Sequential Quadratic Optimization**

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# Abstract

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This thesis investigates numerical algorithms for sequential quadratic programming (SQP). SQP algorithms are used for solving nonlinear programs, i.e. mathematical optimization problems with nonlinear constraints.

SQP solves the nonlinear constrained program by solving a sequence of associating quadratic programs (QP's). A QP is a constrained optimization problem in which the objective function is quadratic and the constraints are linear. The QP is solved by use of the primal active set method or the dual active set method. The primal active set method solves a convex QP where the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite. The dual active set method requires the QP to be strictly convex, which means that the Hessian matrix must be positive definite. The active set methods solve an inequality constrained QP by solving a sequence of corresponding equality constrained QP's.

The equality constrained QP is solved by solving an indefinite symmetric linear system of equations, the so-called Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system. When solving the KKT system, the range space procedure or the null space procedure is used. These procedures use Cholesky and QR factorizations. The range space procedure requires the Hessian matrix to be positive definite, while the null space procedure only requires it to be positive semi-definite.

By use of Givens rotations, complete factorization is avoided at each iteration of the active set methods. The constraints are divided into bounded variables and general constraints. If a bound becomes active the bounded variable is fixed, otherwise it is free. This is exploited for further optimization of the factorizations.

The algorithms has been implemented in MATLAB and tested on strictly convex QP's of sizes up to 1800 variables and 7200 constraints. The testcase is the quadruple tank process, described in appendix A.

### **Main Findings of this Thesis**

When the number of active constraints reaches a certain amount compared to the number of variables, the null space procedure should be used. The range space procedure is only preferable, when the number of active constraints is very small compared to the number of variables.

The update procedures of the factorizations give significant improvement in computational speed.

Whenever the Hessian matrix of the QP is positive definite the dual active set method is preferable. The calculation of a starting point is implicit in the method and furthermore convergence is guaranteed.

When the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite, the primal active set can be used. For this matter an LP solver should be implemented, which computes a starting point and an active set that makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite. This LP solver has not been implemented, as it is out of the range of this thesis.

# Dansk Resumé

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Dette Projekt omhandler numeriske algoritmer til sekventiel kvadratisk programmering (SQP). SQP benyttes til at løse ikke-lineære programmer, dvs. matematiske optimeringsproblemer med ikke-lineære begrænsninger.

SQP løser det ikke-lineært begrænsede program ved at løse en sekvens af tilhørende kvadratiske programmer (QP'er). Et QP er et begrænset optimeringsproblem, hvor objektfunktionen er kvadratisk og begrænsningerne er lineære. Et QP løses ved at bruge primal aktiv set metoden eller dual aktiv set metoden. Primal aktiv set metoden løser et konvekst QP, hvor Hessian matricen er positiv semi definit. Dual aktiv set metoden kræver et strengt konvekst QP, dvs. at Hessian matricen skal være positiv definit. Aktiv set metoderne løser et ulighedsbegrænset QP ved at løse en sekvens af tilhørende lighedsbegrænsede QP'er.

Løsningen til det lighedsbegrænsede QP findes ved at løse et indefinit symmetrisk lineært ligningssystem, det såkaldte Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system. Til at løse KKT systemet benyttes range space proceduren eller null space proceduren, som bruger Cholesky og QR faktoriseringer. Range space proceduren kræver, at Hessian matricen er positiv definit. Null space proceduren kræver kun, at den er positiv semi definit.

Ved brug af Givens rotationer undgås fuld faktorisering for hver iteration i aktiv set metoderne. Begrænsningerne deles op i begrænsede variable og egentlige begrænsninger beskrevet ved funktionsudtryk. Begrænsede variable betyder, at en andel af variablene er fikserede, mens resten er frie pr. iteration. Dette udnyttes til yderligere optimering af faktoriseringerne mellem hver iteration.

Algoritmerne er implementeret i MATLAB og testet på strengt konvekse QP'er

bestående af op til 1800 variable og 7200 begrænsninger. Testeksemplerne er genereret ud fra det firdobbelte tank system, som er beskrevet i appendix A.

## Hovedresultater

Når antallet af aktive begrænsninger når en vis mængde i forhold til antallet af variable, bør null space proceduren benyttes. Range space proceduren bør kun benyttes, når antallet af aktive begrænsninger er lille i forhold til antallet af variable.

Når fuld faktorisering undgås ved at benytte opdateringer, er der betydelige beregningsmæssige besparelser.

Hvis Hessian matricen af et QP er positiv definit, bør dual aktiv set metoden benyttes. Her foregår beregningerne af startpunkt implicit i metoden, og desuden er konvergens garanteret.

Hvis Hessian matricen er positiv semi definit, kan primal aktiv set metoden benyttes. Men her skal der benyttes en LP-løser til at beregne et startpunkt og et tilhørende aktivt set, som medfører at den reducerede Hessian matrix bliver positiv definit. Denne LP-løser er ikke blevet implementeret, da den ligger udenfor området af dette projekt.







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# Introduction

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In optimal control there is a high demand for real-time solutions. Dynamic systems are more or less sensitive to outer influences, and therefore require fast and reliable adjustment of the control parameters.

A dynamic system in equilibrium can experience disturbances explicitly, e.g. sudden changes in the environment in which the system is embedded or online changes to the demands of the desired outcome of the system. Implicit disturbances have also to be taken care of in real-time, e.g. changes of the input needed to run the system. In all cases, fast and reliable optimal control is essential in lowering the running cost of a dynamic system.

Usually the solution of a dynamic process must be kept within certain limits. In order to generate a feasible solution to the process, these limits have to be taken into account. If a process like this can be modeled as a constrained optimization problem, model predictive control can be used in finding a feasible solution, if it exists.

Model predictive control with nonlinear models can be performed using sequential quadratic programming (SQP). Model predictive control with linear models may be conducted using quadratic programming (QP). A variety of different numerical methods exist for both SQP and QP. Some of these methods comprise the subject of this project.

The main challenge in SQP is to solve the QP, and therefore methods for solving QP's constitute a major part of this work. In itself, QP has a variety of applications, e.g. Portfolio Optimization by Markowitz, found in Nocedal and Wright [14], solving constraint least squares problems and in Huber regression Li and Swetits [1]. A QP consists of a quadratic objective function, which we want to minimize subject to a set of linear constraints. A QP is stated as

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{l} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u} \\ & \mathbf{b}_l \leq \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}_u, \end{aligned}$$

and this program is solved by solving a set of equality constrained QP's

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \bar{\mathbf{A}}^T \mathbf{x} = \bar{\mathbf{b}}. \end{aligned}$$

The methods we describe are the primal active set method and the dual active set method. Within these methods the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system<sup>1</sup>

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\bar{\mathbf{A}} \\ -\bar{\mathbf{A}}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \bar{\mathbf{b}} \end{pmatrix}$$

is solved using the range space procedure or the null space procedure. These methods in themselves fulfill the demand of reliability, while the demand of efficiency is obtained by refinement of these methods.

## 1.1 Research Objective

We will investigate the primal and dual active set methods for solving QP's. Thus we will discuss the range and the null space procedures together with different refinements for gaining efficiency and reliability. The methods and

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<sup>1</sup>This is the KKT system of the primal program, the KKT system of the dual program is found in (4.69) at page 63.

procedures for solving QP's will be implemented and tested in order to determine the best suited combination in terms of efficiency for solving different types of problems. The problems can be divided into two categories, those with a low number of active constraints in relation to the number of variables, and problems where the number of active constraints is high in relation to the number of variables. Finally we will discuss and implement the SQP method to find out how our QP solver performs in this setting.

## 1.2 Thesis Structure

The thesis is divided into five main areas: Equality constrained quadratic programming, updating of matrix factorizations, active set methods, test and refinements and nonlinear programming.

### Equality Constrained Quadratic Programming

In this chapter we present two methods for solving equality constrained QP's, namely the range space procedure and the null space procedure. The methods are implemented and tested, and their relative benefits, and drawbacks are investigated.

### Updating of Matrix Factorizations

Both the null space and the range space procedure use matrix factorizations in solving the equality constrained QP. Whenever the constraint matrix is changed by either appending or removing a constraint, the matrix factorizations can be updated using Givens rotations. By avoiding complete re-factorization, computational savings are achieved. This is the subject of this chapter and methods for updating the QR and the Cholesky factorizations are presented.

### Active Set Methods

Inequality constrained QP's can be solved using active set methods. These methods find a solution by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's, where the difference between two consecutive iterations is a single appended or

removed constraint. In this chapter we present the primal active set method and the dual active set method.

### **Test and Refinements**

In this chapter we test how the presented methods perform in practice, when combined in different ways. We also implement some refinements, and their impact on computational speed and stability are likewise tested.

### **Nonlinear Programming**

SQP is an efficient method of nonlinear constrained optimization. The basic idea is Newton's method, where each step is generated as an inequality constrained QP. Implementation, discussion and testing of SQP are the topics of this chapter.



# Equality Constrained Quadratic Programming

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In this section we present various algorithms for solving convex<sup>1</sup> equality constrained QP's. The problem to be solved is

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (2.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.1b)$$

where  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the Hessian matrix of the objective function  $f$ . The Hessian matrix must be symmetric and positive semi definite<sup>2</sup>.  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is the constraint matrix (coefficient matrix of the constraints), where  $n$  is the number of variables and  $m$  is the number of constraints.  $\mathbf{A}$  has full column rank, that is the constraints are linearly independent. The right hand side of the constraints is  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  denotes the coefficients of the linear term of the objective function.

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<sup>1</sup>The range space procedure presented in section 2.1 requires a strictly convex QP.

<sup>2</sup>The range space procedure presented in section 2.1 requires  $\mathbf{G}$  to be positive definite.

From the Lagrangian function

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}), \quad (2.2)$$

which is differentiated according to  $\mathbf{x}$  and the Lagrange multipliers  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\lambda} \quad (2.3a)$$

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\lambda}} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.3b)$$

the problem can be formulated as the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.4)$$

The KKT system is basically a set of linear equations, and therefore general solvers for linear systems could be used, e.g. Gaussian elimination. In order to solve a KKT system as fast and reliable as possible, we want to use Cholesky and QR factorizations. But according to Gould in Nocedal and Wright [14] the KKT matrix is indefinite, and therefore it is not possible to solve it by use of either of the two factorizations. In this chapter, we present two procedures for solving the KKT system by dividing it into subproblems, on which it is possible to use these factorizations. Namely the range space procedure and the null space procedure. We also investigate their individual benefits and drawbacks.

## 2.1 Range Space Procedure

The range space procedure based on Nocedal and Wright [14] and Gill *et al.* [2] solves the KKT system (2.4), corresponding to the convex equality constrained QP (2.1). The Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  must be symmetric and positive definite, because the procedure uses the inverted Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$ . The KKT system

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.5)$$

can be interpreted as two equations

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = -\mathbf{g} \quad (2.6a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.6b)$$

Isolating  $\mathbf{x}$  in (2.6a) gives

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.7)$$

and substituting (2.7) into (2.6b) gives us one equation with one unknown  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$

$$\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g}) = \mathbf{b}, \quad (2.8)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.9)$$

From the Cholesky factorization of  $\mathbf{G}$  we get  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$  and  $\mathbf{G}^{-1} = (\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{L}^{-1} = (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1}$ . This is inserted in (2.9)

$$\mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{L}^{-1})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b} \quad (2.10)$$

so

$$(\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A})^T \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{g} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.11)$$

From simplifying (2.11), by defining  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$ , where  $\mathbf{K}$  can be found as the solution to  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{A}$ , and  $\mathbf{w}$  as the solution to  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{g}$ , we get

$$\mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.12)$$

By now  $\mathbf{K}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are known, and by computing  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K}$  we reformulate (2.12) into

$$\mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{z}. \quad (2.13)$$

The matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  is positive definite and the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has full column rank, so  $\mathbf{H}$  is also positive definite. This makes it possible to Cholesky factorize  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T$ , and by backward and forward substitution  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  is found from

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{z}. \quad (2.14)$$

Substituting  $\mathbf{M}^T \boldsymbol{\lambda}$  with  $\mathbf{q}$  gives

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{z}, \quad (2.15)$$

and by forward substitution  $\mathbf{q}$  is found. Now  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  is found by backward substitution in

$$\mathbf{M}^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{q}. \quad (2.16)$$

We now know  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  and from (2.6a) we find  $\mathbf{x}$  as follows

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{g} \quad (2.17)$$

gives us

$$LL^T \mathbf{x} = A\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.18)$$

and

$$L^T \mathbf{x} = L^{-1} A\boldsymbol{\lambda} - L^{-1} \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.19)$$

which is equivalent to

$$L^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}. \quad (2.20)$$

As  $\mathbf{K}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are now known,  $\mathbf{r}$  is computed as  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}$ , and by backward substitution  $\mathbf{x}$  is found in

$$L^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r}. \quad (2.21)$$

The range space procedure requires  $\mathbf{G}$  to be positive definite as  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  is needed. It is obvious, that the procedure is most efficient, when  $\mathbf{G}^{-1}$  is easily computed. In other words, when it is well-conditioned and even better, if  $\mathbf{G}$  is a diagonal matrix or can be computed a priori. Another bottleneck of the procedure is the factorization of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . The smaller this matrix is, the easier the factorization gets. This means, that the procedure is most efficient, when the number of constraints is small compared to the number of variables.

Algorithm 2.1.1 summarizes how the calculations in the range space procedure are carried out.

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**Algorithm 2.1.1:** Range Space Procedure.

**Note:** The algorithm requires  $\mathbf{G}$  to be positive definite and  $\mathbf{A}$  to have full column rank.

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Cholesky factorize  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$

Compute  $\mathbf{K}$  by solving  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{A}$

Compute  $\mathbf{w}$  by solving  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{g}$

Compute  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{K}$

Compute  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{K}^T\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{b}$

Cholesky factorize  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{M}^T$

Compute  $\mathbf{q}$  by solving  $\mathbf{M}\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{z}$

Compute  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  by solving  $\mathbf{M}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{q}$

Compute  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \mathbf{w}$

Compute  $\mathbf{x}$  by solving  $\mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{r}$

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## 2.2 Null Space Procedure

The null space procedure based on Nocedal and Wright [14] and Gill *et al.* [3] solves the KKT system (2.4) using the null space of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ . This procedure does not need  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  to be positive definite but only positive semi definite. This means, that it is not restricted to strictly convex quadratic programs. The KKT system to be solved is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.22)$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  has full column rank. We compute the null space using the QR factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.23)$$

where  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-m)}$  is the null space and  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is the range space.  $(\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is orthogonal and  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is upper triangular.

By defining  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{p}$  we write

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z})\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{p}_z. \quad (2.24)$$

Using this formulation, we can reformulate  $(\mathbf{x} \ \lambda)^T$  in (2.22) as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.25)$$

and because  $(\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z})$  is orthogonal we also have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.26)$$

Now we will use (2.25) and (2.26) to express the KKT system in a more detailed form, in which it becomes clear what part corresponds to the null space. Inserting (2.25) and (2.26) in (2.22) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.27)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z})^T \\ -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} & -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.28)$$

By definition  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{0}$ , which simplifies (2.28) to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & -(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p}_y \\ \mathbf{p}_z \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (2.29)$$

This system can be solved using backward substitution, but to do this, we need the following statement based on (2.23)

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R} \quad (2.30a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T = (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R})^T \quad (2.30b)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{R})^T \mathbf{Y} \quad (2.30c)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} \quad (2.30d)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T. \quad (2.30e)$$

and therefore the last block row from (2.29)

$$-\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y = -\mathbf{b} \quad (2.31)$$



is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{p}_y = \mathbf{b}. \quad (2.32)$$

As  $\mathbf{R}$  is upper triangular this equation has a unique solution. When we have computed  $\mathbf{p}_y$  we can solve the middle block row in (2.29)

$$\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.33)$$

The only unknown is  $\mathbf{p}_z$ , which we find by solving

$$(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{p}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{g}). \quad (2.34)$$

The reduced Hessian matrix  $(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$  is positive definite and therefore the solution to (2.34) is unique. We find it by use of the Cholesky factorization  $(\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}) = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^T$ . Now, having computed both  $\mathbf{p}_y$  and  $\mathbf{p}_z$ , we find  $\lambda$  from the first block row in (2.29)

$$\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z - (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \lambda = -\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g}, \quad (2.35)$$

which is equivalent to

$$(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y})^T \lambda = \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{G} (\mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z) + \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{g}. \quad (2.36)$$

Using (2.24)  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z$  and (2.30)  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{R}^T$  this can be reformulated into

$$\mathbf{R} \lambda = \mathbf{Y}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}) \quad (2.37)$$

and because  $\mathbf{R}$  is upper triangular, this equation also has a unique solution, which is found by backward substitution.

This is the most efficient procedure, when the degree of freedom  $n - m$  is small, i.e. when the number of constraints is large compared to the number of variables. The reduced Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$  grows smaller, when  $m$

approaches  $n$ , and is thereby inexpensive to factorize. The most expensive part of the computations is the QR factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$ . While the null space  $\mathbf{Z}$  can be found in a number of different ways, we have chosen to use QR factorization because it makes  $\mathbf{Y}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}$  orthogonal. In this way, we preserve numerical stability, because the conditioning of the reduced Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}$  is at least as good as the conditioning of  $\mathbf{G}$ .

Algorithm 2.2.1 summarizes how the calculations in the null space procedure are carried out.

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**Algorithm 2.2.1:** Null Space Procedure.

**Note:** The algorithm requires  $\mathbf{G}$  to be positive semi definite and  $\mathbf{A}$  to have full column rank.

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QR factorize  $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$

Cholesky factorize  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{L}^T$

Compute  $\mathbf{p}_y$  by solving  $\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{p}_y = \mathbf{b}$

Compute  $\mathbf{g}_z = -\mathbf{Z}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{g})$

Compute  $\mathbf{r}$  by solving  $\mathbf{L} \mathbf{r} = \mathbf{g}_z$

Compute  $\mathbf{p}_z$  by solving  $\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{p}_z = \mathbf{r}$

Compute  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{p}_y + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{p}_z$

Compute  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  by solving  $\mathbf{R} \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{Y}^T (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})$

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## 2.3 Computational Cost of the Range and the Null Space Procedures

In this section we want to find out, how the range space and the null space procedures perform individually. We also consider whether it is worthwhile to shift between the two procedures dynamically.

### 2.3.1 Computational Cost of the Range Space Procedure

In the range space procedure there are three dominating computations in relation to time consumption. The computation of  $\mathbf{K} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , computation of and Cholesky factorization of  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ .

Since  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is lower triangular, solving  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{A}$  with respect to  $\mathbf{K}$  is done by simple forward substitution. The amount of work involved in forward substitution is  $n^2$  per column, according to L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18]. Since  $\mathbf{K}$  contains  $m$  columns, the total cost for computing  $\mathbf{K}$  is  $n^2m$ .

We define  $\mathbf{K}_T = \mathbf{K}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Making the inner product of two vectors of length  $n$  requires  $2n$  operations. Since  $\mathbf{K}_T$  consists of  $m$  rows and as mentioned above  $\mathbf{K}$  contains  $m$  columns, then the computational workload involved in the matrix multiplication  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{K}_T\mathbf{K}$  is  $2nm^2$ .

The size of  $\mathbf{H}$  is  $m \times m$ , so the computational cost of the Cholesky factorization is roughly  $\frac{1}{3}m^3$ , according to L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18].

Thus, we can estimate the total computational cost of the range space procedure as

$$\frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m \tag{2.38}$$

and since  $0 \leq m \leq n$ , the total computational workload will roughly be in the range

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m \leq \frac{10}{3}n^3. \tag{2.39}$$

Here we also see, that the range space procedure gets slower, as the number of constraints compared to the number of variables increases.

Figure 2.1 shows the theoretical computational speed of the range space procedure. As stated above, it is obvious that the method gets slower as the number of constraints increases in comparison to the number of variables.

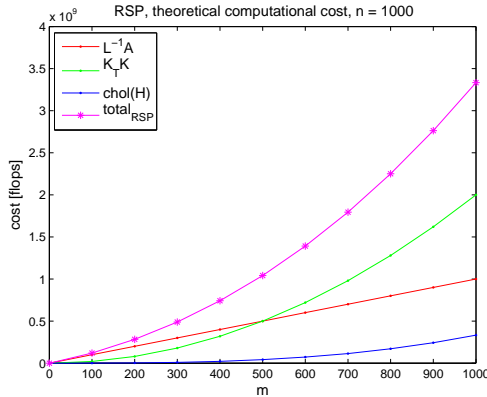


Figure 2.1: Theoretical computational speed for the range procedure.

### 2.3.2 Computational Cost of the Null Space Procedure

The time consumption of the null space procedure is dominated by two computations. The QR factorization of the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and computation of the reduced Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times (n-m)}$ .

With  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  as our point of departure, the computational work of the QR factorization is in the region  $2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m)$ , see L. Eldén, L. Wittmeyer-Koch and H.B. Nielsen [18]. The QR factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$  is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = (\mathbf{Y} \ \mathbf{Z}) \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.40)$$

where  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (n-m)}$ ,  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  and  $\mathbf{0} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times m}$ .

We now want to find the amount of work involved in computing the reduced Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}$ . We define  $\mathbf{Z}_T = \mathbf{Z}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times n}$ . The computational workload of making the inner product of two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is  $2n$ . Since  $\mathbf{Z}_T$

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contains  $n - m$  rows and  $G$  consists of  $n$  columns, the computational cost of the matrix product  $\mathbf{Z}_T \mathbf{G}$  is  $2n(n - m)n$ . Because  $(\mathbf{Z}_T \mathbf{G}) \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-m) \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}$  consists of  $n - m$  columns, the amount of work involved in the matrix product  $(\mathbf{Z}_T \mathbf{G}) \mathbf{Z}$  is  $2n(n - m)(n - m)$ . Therefore the computational cost of making the reduced Hessian matrix is

$$2n(n - m)n + 2n(n - m)(n - m) = 2n(n - m)(2n - m). \quad (2.41)$$

So the total computational cost of the null space procedure is roughly

$$2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) + 2n(n - m)(2n - m) \quad (2.42)$$

and since  $0 \leq m \leq n$ , the total computational workload is estimated to be in the range of

$$\frac{4}{3}n^3 \leq 2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) + 2n(n - m)(2n - m) \leq 4n^3. \quad (2.43)$$

Therefore the null space procedure accelerates, as the number of constraints compared to the number of variables increases. Figure 2.2 illustrates this.

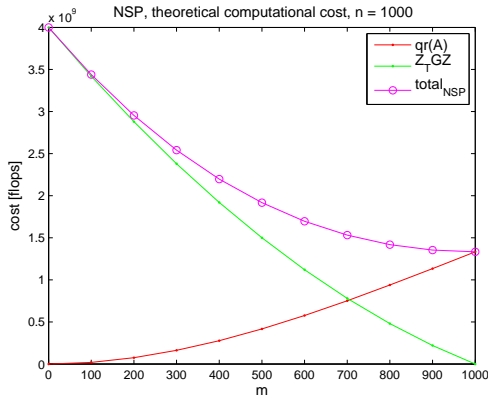


Figure 2.2: Theoretical computational costs for the null space procedure.

### 2.3.3 Comparing Computational Costs

To take advantage of the individual differences in computational speeds, we want to find out at what ratio between the number of constraints related to the number of variables, the null space procedure gets faster than the range space procedure. This is done by comparing the computational costs of both procedures, hereby finding the point, at which they run equally fast. With respect to  $m$  we solve the polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3}m^3 + 2nm^2 + n^2m - 2m^2(n - \frac{1}{3}m) - 2n(n - m)(2n - m) = \\ m^3 - 2nm^2 + 7n^2m - 4n^3 = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (2.44)$$

where by we find the relation to be  $m \simeq 0.65n$ .

In figure 2.3 we have  $n = 1000$  and  $0 \leq m \leq n$ , so the ratio, i.e. the point at which one should shift from using the range space to using the null space procedure is of course to be found at  $m \simeq 650$ .

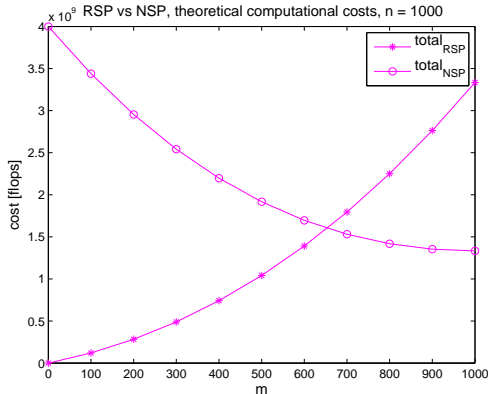


Figure 2.3: Total estimated theoretical computational costs for the range space and the null space procedures.

We made some testruns of the the two procedures by setting up a KKT system consisting of identity matrices. The theoretical computational costs are based on full matrices, and we know, that MATLAB treats identity matrices like full matrices. So by means of this simple KKT system we are able to compare the theoretical behavior of the respective procedures with the real behavior of our implementation. The test setup consists of  $n = 1000$  variables and  $0 \leq m \leq n$

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constraints, as illustrated in figures 2.4 and 2.5. The black curves represent all computations carried out by the two procedures. It is clear, that they run parallel to the magenta representing the dominating computations. This verifies our comparison between the theoretical computational workloads with our test setup.

In figure 2.4 we test the range space procedure, and the behavior is just as expected, when compared to the theory represented in figure 2.1.

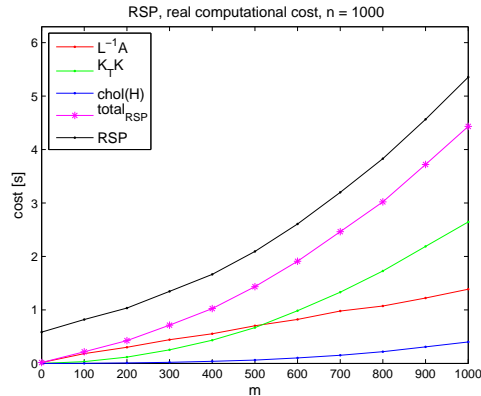


Figure 2.4: Real computational cost for the range space procedure.

In figure 2.5 the null space procedure is tested. The computation of the reduced Hessian matrix  $Z_T G Z$  behaves as expected. The behavior of the QR factorization of  $A$  however is not as expected, compared to figure 2.2. When  $0 \leq m \lesssim 100$ , the computational time is too small to be properly measured. The QR factorization still behaves somewhat unexpectedly, when  $100 \lesssim m \leq 1000$ . Hence the advantage of shifting from the range space to the null space procedure decreases. In other words, the ratio between the number of constraints related to the number of variables, where the null space procedure gets faster than the range space procedure, is larger than expected. Therefore using the null space procedure might actually prove to be a disadvantage. This is clearly in figure 2.6, where the dominating computations for the range space and the null space procedures are compared to each other. From this plot it is clear, that the ratio indicating when to shift procedure is much bigger in practice than in theory. The cause of this could be an inappropriate implementation of the QR factorization in MATLAB, architecture of the processing unit, memory access etc.. Perhaps implementation of the QR factorization in a low level language could prove different.

It must be mentioned at this point, that the difference in unit on the abscissa

in all figures in this section does not influence the shape of the curves between theory and testruns, because the only difference between them is the constant ratio time/flop.

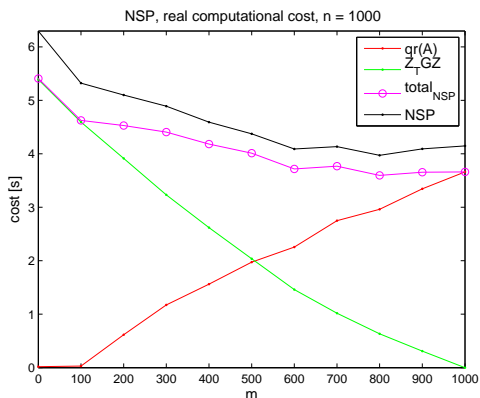


Figure 2.5: Real computational cost for the null space procedure.

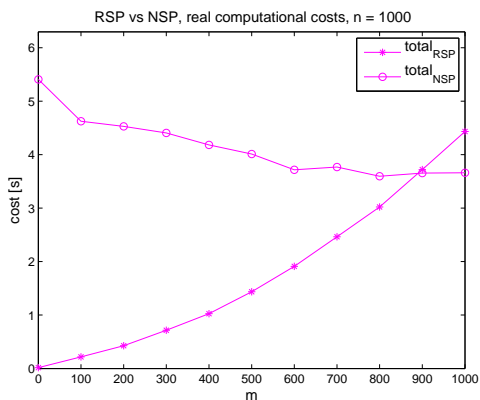


Figure 2.6: Real computational costs for the range space and the null space procedures.



## CHAPTER 3

# Updating Procedures for Matrix Factorization

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Matrix factorization is used, when solving an equality constrained QP. The factorization of a square matrix of size  $n \times n$  has computational complexity  $O(n^3)$ .

As we will describe in chapter 4, the solution of an inequality constrained QP is found by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's. The difference between two consecutive equality constrained QP's in this sequence is one single appended or removed constraint. This is the procedure of the active set methods.

Because of this property, the factorization of the matrices can be done more efficiently than complete refactorization. This is done by an updating procedure where the current factorization of the matrices in the sequence, is partly used to factorize the matrices for the next iteration. The computational complexity of this updating procedure is  $O(n^2)$  and therefore a factor  $n$  faster than a complete factorization. This is important in particular for large-scale problems. The updating procedure discussed in the following is based on Givens rotations and Givens reflections.

### 3.1 Givens rotations and Givens reflections

Givens rotations and reflections are methods for introducing zeros in a vector. This is achieved by rotating or reflecting the coordinate system according to an angle or a line. This angle or line is defined so that one of the coordinates of a given point  $\mathbf{p}$  becomes zero. As both methods serve the same purpose, we have chosen to use only Givens rotations which we will explain in the following. This theory is based on the work of Golub and Van Loan [4] and Wilkinson [5]. A Givens rotation is graphically illustrated in figure 3.1. As illustrated we can rotate the coordinate system so the coordinates of  $\mathbf{p}$  in the rotated system actually become  $(x', 0)^T$ .

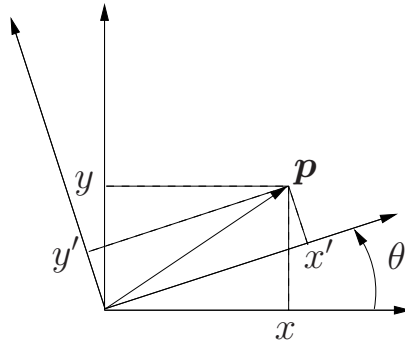


Figure 3.1: A Givens rotation rotates the coordinate system according to an angle  $\theta$ .

The Givens rotation matrix  $\hat{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$  is defined as

$$\hat{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} c & s \\ -s & c \end{pmatrix}, \quad c = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \cos(\theta), \quad s = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \sin(\theta), \quad (3.1)$$

and  $(x, y)^T$ ,  $x \neq 0 \wedge y \neq 0$ , is the vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in which we want to introduce a zero

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{Q}p &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \\ -\frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} & \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{x^2+y^2}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \\ \frac{-xy+yx}{\sqrt{x^2+y^2}} \end{pmatrix} \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{x^2+y^2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{3.2}
\end{aligned}$$

If we want to introduce zeros in a vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the corresponding rotation matrix is constructed by the identity matrix  $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $c$  and  $s$ . The matrix introduces one zero, modifies one element  $m$  and leaves the rest of the vector untouched

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & c & s \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -s & c \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \vdots \\ x \\ x \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ \vdots \\ x \\ m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{3.3}$$

Any Givens operation introduces only one zero at a time, but if we want to introduce more zeros, a sequence of Givens operations  $\tilde{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  can be constructed

$$\tilde{Q} = \hat{Q}_{1,2} \hat{Q}_{2,3} \cdots \hat{Q}_{n-2,n-1} \hat{Q}_{n-1,n}, \tag{3.4}$$

which yields

$$\tilde{Q}\mathbf{v} = \tilde{Q} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ \vdots \\ x \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \gamma = \pm \|\mathbf{v}\|_2. \tag{3.5}$$

For example when  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^4$  the process is as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ x \\ x \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{3,4}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ x \\ m \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{2,3}} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ m \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\hat{Q}_{1,2}} \begin{pmatrix} m \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.6)$$

where  $m$  is the modified element.

## 3.2 Updating the QR Factorization

When a constraint is appended to, or removed from, the active set, updating the factorization is done using Givens rotations. This section is based on the work of Dennis and Schnabel [6], Gill *et al.* [7] and Golub and Van Loan [4] and describes how the updating procedure is carried out.

### Appending a Constraint

Before the new column is appended, we take a closer look at the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and its QR-factorization  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . The constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has full column rank, and can be written as

$$\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m), \quad (3.7)$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column of the constraint matrix. The QR-factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$  is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.8)$$

As  $\mathbf{Q}$  is orthogonal we have  $\mathbf{Q}^{-1} = \mathbf{Q}^T$ , so

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.9)$$

Inserting (3.7) in (3.9) gives

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}^T (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m). \quad (3.10)$$

Expression (3.9) can be written as

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_{(1,1)} & \dots & x_{(1,m)} \\ & \dots & \dots \\ \hline & & x_{(m,m)} \\ \mathbf{0} & & \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.11)$$

Now we append the new column  $\bar{\mathbf{a}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , which becomes  $\bar{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m+1}$ . To optimize the efficiency of the updating procedure, the new column is appended at index  $m+1$ . The new constraint matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$  is

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \bar{\mathbf{a}}). \quad (3.12)$$

Replacing  $\mathbf{A}$  in (3.10) with  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$  gives

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{Q}^T ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \bar{\mathbf{a}}), \quad (3.13)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = (\mathbf{Q}^T (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \quad \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}). \quad (3.14)$$

Thus from (3.10), (3.11) and (3.14) we have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right), \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{a}}, \quad (3.15)$$

where  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$ . This can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} x_{(1,1)} & \dots & x_{(1,m)} & \mathbf{v} \\ & \dots & \dots & \\ & & x_{(m,m)} & \\ \hline & & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right). \quad (3.16)$$

Unless only the first element is different from zero in vector  $\mathbf{w}$ , the triangular structure is violated by appending  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$ . By using Givens rotations, zeros are introduced in the vector  $(\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w})^T$  with a view to making the matrix upper triangular again. As a Givens operation only introduces one zero at a time, a sequence  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  of  $n-m+1$  Givens rotations is used

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(m+1,m+2)} \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(m+2,m+3)} \dots \hat{\mathbf{Q}}_{(n-1,n)}, \quad (3.17)$$

where  $\hat{Q}_{(i+2,i+3)}$  defines the Givens rotation matrix that introduces one zero at index  $i + 3$  and modifies the element at index  $i + 2$ . It is clear from (3.16) that the smallest amount of Givens rotations are needed, when  $\bar{\mathbf{a}}$  is appended at index  $m + 1$ . This sequence is constructed so that

$$\tilde{Q} \left( \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ \gamma \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.18)$$

Now that the sequence  $\tilde{Q}$  has been constructed, when we multiply it with (3.16) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{Q}Q^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} &= \tilde{Q} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{w} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{R} & \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{0} & \gamma \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} x_{(1,1)} & \cdots & x_{(1,m)} & \mathbf{v} \\ & & \cdots & \\ & & x_{(m,m)} & \\ \hline & & \mathbf{0} & \gamma \\ \hline & & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

This indicates, that the triangular shape is regained and the Givens operations only affects the elements in  $\mathbf{w}$ .

The QR-factorization of the new constraint matrix is

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.20)$$

Now that  $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$  has been found, we only need to find  $\bar{Q}$  to complete the updating

procedure. From (3.19) we have

$$\tilde{Q}Q^T \bar{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.21)$$

and because both  $\tilde{Q}$  and  $Q^T$  are orthogonal, this can be reformulated as

$$\bar{A} = Q\tilde{Q}^T \bar{R}. \quad (3.22)$$

From this expression it is seen that  $\bar{Q}$  is

$$\bar{Q} = Q\tilde{Q}^T. \quad (3.23)$$

The updating procedure, when appending one constraint to the constraint matrix is summarized in algorithm 3.2.1.

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**Algorithm 3.2.1:** Updating the QR-Factorization, when appending a column.

**Note:** Having  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and its QR factorization, where  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Appending a column  $\bar{a}$  to matrix  $A$  at index  $m + 1$  gives a new matrix  $\bar{A}$ . The new factorization is  $\bar{A} = \bar{Q}\bar{R}$ .

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Compute  $\bar{A} = (A, \bar{a})$

Compute  $\begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = Q^T \bar{a}$ , where  $v \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $w \in \mathbb{R}^{n-m}$ .

Compute the Givens rotation matrix  $\tilde{Q}$  such that:  $\tilde{Q} \begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} v \\ \gamma \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$ ,

where  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Compute  $\bar{R} = \tilde{Q}Q^T \bar{A}$

Compute  $\bar{Q} = Q\tilde{Q}^T$

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## Removing a Constraint

To begin with we take a close look at the situation before the column is removed.  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and its QR-factorization  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $R \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  have the



following relationship

$$\mathbf{A} = \left( (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad \mathbf{a}_i \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \right), \quad (3.24)$$

where  $(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1})$  are the first  $i-1$  columns,  $\mathbf{a}_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column and  $(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)$  are the last  $m-i$  columns. The QR-factorization of  $\mathbf{A}$  is

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.25)$$

and as  $\mathbf{Q}$  is orthogonal we have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.26)$$

From (3.24) and (3.26) we thus have

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{Q}^T \left( (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad \mathbf{a}_i \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \right), \quad (3.27)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{A} = \left( \mathbf{Q}^T (\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad \mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{a}_i \quad \mathbf{Q}^T (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m) \right). \quad (3.28)$$

Using expression (3.26) and (3.28) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
Q^T \mathbf{A} &= \left( \begin{array}{c|c|c} \mathbf{R}_{11} & \mathbf{R}_{12} & \mathbf{R}_{13} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{R}_{22} & \mathbf{R}_{23} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{R}_{33} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) \quad (3.29) \\
&= \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} x_{(1,1)} & \cdots & x_{(1,i-1)} & x_{(1,i)} & x_{(1,i+1)} & \cdots & x_{(1,m)} \\ & & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ & & x_{(i-1,i-1)} & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & x_{(i,i)} & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & \mathbf{0} & x_{(i+1,i+1)} & \cdots & \cdots \\ & & & & & \cdots & \cdots \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & \mathbf{0} & & & x_{(m,m)} \\ & & & & & \mathbf{0} & \end{array} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Removing the column of index  $i$  changes the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  to

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)), \quad (3.30)$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (m-1)}$ . Replacing  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$  in (3.27) gives

$$Q^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = Q^T ((\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad (\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)), \quad (3.31)$$

which is equivalent to

$$Q^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = (Q^T(\mathbf{a}_1 \dots \mathbf{a}_{i-1}) \quad Q^T(\mathbf{a}_{i+1} \dots \mathbf{a}_m)). \quad (3.32)$$

Together expression (3.28), (3.29) and (3.32) indicate that

$$Q^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{R}_{11} & \mathbf{R}_{13} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{R}_{23} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{R}_{33} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} x & \cdots & x & x & \cdots & x \\ & & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ & & x & x & \cdots & x \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & x & \cdots & x \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & x & \cdots & x \\ & & & & \cdots & \cdots \\ \hline & \mathbf{0} & & & & x \\ & & & & \mathbf{0} & \end{array} \right). \quad (3.33)$$

The triangular structure is obviously violated and in order to regain it, Givens rotations are used. It is only the upper Hessenberg matrix  $(\mathbf{R}_{23}, \mathbf{R}_{33})^T$ , that needs to be made triangular. This is done using a sequence of  $m - i$  Givens rotation matrices  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R}_{13} \\ \mathbf{R}_{23} \\ \mathbf{R}_{33} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \begin{pmatrix} x & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x & \dots & x \\ x & \dots & x \\ & \dots & \dots \\ & & x \\ \hline \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x & \dots & \dots & x \\ m & \dots & \dots & m \\ & m & \dots & m \\ & & \dots & \dots \\ & & & m \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.34)$$

This means, that the triangular matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$  is found from the product of  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}}$ , so that we get

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{R}} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}} = \begin{pmatrix} x & \dots & x & | & x & \dots & \dots & x \\ & \dots & \dots & | & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ & & x & | & x & \dots & \dots & x \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & | & m & \dots & \dots & m \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & | & & m & \dots & m \\ & & & | & & & \dots & \dots \\ & & & | & & & & m \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & & & | & & & & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.35)$$

Now that we have found the upper triangular matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{R}}$  of the new factorization  $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}} \bar{\mathbf{R}}$ , we only need to find the orthogonal matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{Q}}$ . As  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}^T$  are orthogonal (3.35) can be reformulated as

$$\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{Q} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T \bar{\mathbf{R}}, \quad (3.36)$$

which means that

$$\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T. \quad (3.37)$$

The updating procedure, when removing a constraint from the constraint matrix is summarized in algorithm 3.2.2.

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**Algorithm 3.2.2:** Updating the QR-Factorization, when removing a column.  
**Note:** Having  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and its QR factorization, where  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Removing a column  $\mathbf{c}$  from matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  gives a new matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$ . The new factorization is  $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = \bar{\mathbf{Q}}\bar{\mathbf{R}}$ .

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Compute  $\bar{\mathbf{A}}$  by removing  $\mathbf{c}$  from  $\mathbf{A}$

Compute  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{Q}^T \bar{\mathbf{A}}$

Compute the Givens rotation matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  such that:  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{P}$  is upper triangular

Compute  $\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\mathbf{P}$

Compute  $\bar{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{Q}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T$

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### 3.3 Updating the Cholesky factorization

The matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ , derived through (2.9) on page 7 and (2.13) on page 8, is both symmetric and positive definite. Therefore it has the Cholesky factorization  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is lower triangular. This section is based on the work of Dennis and Schnabel [6], Gill *et al.* [7] and Golub and Van Loan [4], and presents the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization to be employed, when appending or removing a constraint from constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ .

#### Appending a Constraint

When a constraint is appended to constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  at column  $m+1$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  becomes

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{q}^T & r \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.38)$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$ ,  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . The new Cholesky factorization is

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.39)$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{L}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{s} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . Together (3.38) and (3.39) give

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{H}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{q}^T & r \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{0} & t \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{s}^T\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T & \mathbf{s}^T\mathbf{s} + t^2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.40)$$

From this expression  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  can be found via  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ ,  $\mathbf{s}$  and  $t$ . Furthermore from (3.40) and the fact, that  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ , we have

$$\mathbf{H} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T, \quad (3.41)$$

which means that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{L}} = \mathbf{L}. \quad (3.42)$$

From (3.40) and (3.42) we know that  $\mathbf{s}$  can be found from the expression

$$\mathbf{q} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}, \quad (3.43)$$

and from (3.40) we also have

$$r = \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + t^2. \quad (3.44)$$

On this basis  $t$  can be found as

$$t = \sqrt{r - \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s}}. \quad (3.45)$$

Now  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ ,  $\mathbf{s}$  and  $t$  have been isolated, and the new Cholesky factorization has been shown to be easily found from (3.39). Algorithm 3.3.1 summarizes how the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization is carried out, when appending

a column to constraint matrix.

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**Algorithm 3.3.1:** Updating the Cholesky factorization when appending a column.

**Note:** The constraint matrix is  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and the corresponding matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  has the Cholesky factorization  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Appending a column  $\mathbf{c}$  to matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  at index  $m + 1$  changes  $\mathbf{H}$  into  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$ . The new Cholesky factorization is  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T$ .

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Let  $\mathbf{p}$  be the last column of  $\bar{\mathbf{H}}$

Let  $\mathbf{q}$  be  $\mathbf{p}$  except the last element

Let  $r$  be the last element of  $\mathbf{p}$

Solve for  $\mathbf{s}$  in  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{s}$

Solve for  $t$  in  $r = \mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{s} + t^2$

Compute  $\bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{s}^T & t \end{pmatrix}$

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### Removing a Constraint

Before removing a constraint, i.e. the  $i^{\text{th}}$  column, from the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ , the matrix  $\mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.46)$$

where  $\mathbf{H}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (m-i)}$ ,  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1)}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i)}$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . The matrix  $\mathbf{H}$  is Cholesky factorized as follows

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T, \quad \mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \mathbf{L}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.47)$$

where  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ ,  $\mathbf{L}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$  and  $\mathbf{L}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$  are lower triangular and non-singular matrices with positive diagonal-entries. Also having  $\mathbf{L}_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (i-1)}$ . The vectors  $\mathbf{d}$  and  $\mathbf{f}$  have dimensions  $\mathbb{R}^{(i-1)}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{(m-i)}$  respectively and  $e \in \mathbb{R}$ . The column  $(\mathbf{a}^T c \mathbf{b}^T)^T$  and the row  $(\mathbf{a}^T c \mathbf{b}^T)$  in (3.46) are removed, when the constraint at column  $i$  is removed from  $\mathbf{A}$ . This gives us

$\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$ , which is both symmetric and positive definite

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.48)$$

This matrix has the following Cholesky factorization

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3.49)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{H}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.50)$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{(i-1) \times (i-1)}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (m-i)}$  are lower triangular, non-singular matrices with positive diagonal entries. Matrix  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}$  is of dimension  $\mathbb{R}^{(m-i) \times (i-1)}$ .

From (3.46) and (3.47) we then have

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} &= \mathbf{H} \\ &= \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \mathbf{L}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{d} & \mathbf{L}_{12}^T \\ & e & \mathbf{f}^T \\ & & \mathbf{L}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.51)$$

which gives



$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{a}^T & c & \mathbf{b}^T \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{b} & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{d} & \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T \\ \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{d} + e^2 & \mathbf{d}^T\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + e\mathbf{f}^T \\ \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T & \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{d} + \mathbf{f}e & \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.52)$$

From (3.48) and (3.50) we know that

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{H}_{11} & \mathbf{H}_{12} \\ \mathbf{H}_{12}^T & \mathbf{H}_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.53)$$

Expressions (3.52) and (3.53) give

$$\mathbf{H}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{11}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}^T, \quad (3.54)$$

and

$$\mathbf{H}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{11}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T, \quad (3.55)$$

which means that

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{12}. \quad (3.56)$$

From (3.52) and (3.53) we also get

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T, \quad (3.57)$$

and together with (3.56) this gives

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \mathbf{L}_{12}\mathbf{L}_{12}^T + \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T, \quad (3.58)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{H}_{22} = \mathbf{f}\mathbf{f}^T + \mathbf{L}_{22}\mathbf{L}_{22}^T = \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T. \quad (3.59)$$

From this expression we get

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})(\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})^T. \quad (3.60)$$

From (3.47) we know that  $(\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})$  is not triangular. Therefore we now construct a sequence of Givens rotations  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-i+1) \times (m-i+1)}$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} &= \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} x & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & x & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ x & x & x & \dots & x \end{array} \right) \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \\ &= \left( \begin{array}{c|ccc} x & & & \\ \vdots & x & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ x & x & \dots & x & 0 \end{array} \right) \\ &= (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{0}), \end{aligned} \quad (3.61)$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$  is lower triangular. As the Givens rotation matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  is orthogonal, we have that  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T = \mathbf{I}$ , and therefore we can reformulate (3.60) as

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}^T(\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})^T, \quad (3.62)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = ((\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}})((\mathbf{f} \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}})^T, \quad (3.63)$$

and according to (3.61) this renders

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}^T = (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{0})(\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \mathbf{0})^T = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}^T. \quad (3.64)$$

Finally we now know that

$$\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} = \tilde{\mathbf{L}}, \quad (3.65)$$

which means that  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}$  may be constructed as

$$(\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \ \mathbf{0}) = (\tilde{\mathbf{L}} \ \mathbf{0}) = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}. \quad (3.66)$$

Hence we now have everything for constructing the new Cholesky factorization:

$$\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T, \quad \bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3.67)$$

Algorithm 3.3.2 summarizes the updating procedure of the Cholesky factorization, when a column is removed from the constraint matrix.

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**Algorithm 3.3.2:** Updating the Cholesky factorization when removing a column.

**Note:** Having the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and the corresponding matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{H} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  with the Cholesky factorization  $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{L} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Removing column  $\mathbf{c}$  from matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  at index  $i$  changes  $\mathbf{H}$  into  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} \in \mathbb{R}^{(m-1) \times (m-1)}$ . The new Cholesky factorization is  $\bar{\mathbf{H}} = \bar{\mathbf{L}}\bar{\mathbf{L}}^T$ .

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Let  $\mathbf{L} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L}_{11} & & \\ \mathbf{d}^T & e & \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \mathbf{f} & \mathbf{L}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $(\mathbf{d}^T \ e)$  is the row at index  $i$  and

$(e \ \mathbf{f}^T)^T$  is the column at index  $i$ .

Let  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} = \mathbf{L}_{11}$ .

Let  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} = \mathbf{L}_{12}$ .

Let  $\hat{\mathbf{L}} = (\mathbf{f} \ \mathbf{L}_{22})$

Compute the Givens rotation matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  such that  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} = (\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \ \mathbf{0})$ , where  $\bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22}$  is triangular.

Compute  $\bar{\mathbf{L}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{11} & \mathbf{0} \\ \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{12} & \bar{\mathbf{L}}_{22} \end{pmatrix}$

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# Active Set Methods

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In this chapter we investigate how to solve an inequality constrained convex QP of type

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad c_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{x} - b_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.1b)$$

The solution of this problem  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is also the same as to the equality constrained convex QP

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.2a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad c_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{x} - b_i = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}^*). \quad (4.2b)$$

In other words, this means that in order to find the optimal point we need to find the active set  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}^*)$  of (4.1). As we shall see in the following, this is done by solving a sequence of equality constrained convex QP's. We will investigate two methods for solving (4.1), namely the primal active set method (section 4.1) and the dual active set method (section 4.3).

## 4.1 Primal Active Set Method

The primal active set method discussed in this section is based on the work of Gill and Murray [8] and Gill *et al.* [9]. The algorithm solves a convex QP with inequality constraints (4.1).

### 4.1.1 Survey

The inequality constrained QP is written on the form

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.3a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.3b)$$

where  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric and positive definite.

The objective function of the QP is given as

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.4)$$

and the feasible region is

$$\Omega = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i, i \in \mathcal{I}\} \quad (4.5)$$

The idea of the primal active set method is to compute a feasible sequence  $\{\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega\}$ , where  $k = \mathbb{N}_0$ , with decreasing value of the objective function,  $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ . For each step in the sequence we solve an equality constraint QP

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k \quad (4.6a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k) \quad (4.6b)$$

where  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k) = \{i \in \mathcal{I} : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i\}$  is the current active set. Because the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  are linearly independent for  $i \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ , the strictly convex equality constrained QP can be solved by solving the corresponding KKT system using the range space or the null space procedure.

The sequence of equality constrained QP's is generated, so that the sequence  $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}$  converges to the optimal point  $\mathbf{x}^*$ , where the following KKT conditions

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.7a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7b)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7c)$$

$$\mu_i^* \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7d)$$

$$\mu_i^* = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.7e)$$

are satisfied.

### 4.1.2 Improving Direction and Step Length

For every feasible point  $\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega$ , we have a corresponding working set  $\mathcal{W}_k$ , which is a subset of the active set  $\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_k \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{x}_k)$ .  $\mathcal{W}_k$  is selected so that the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ , are linearly independent, which corresponds to full column rank of  $\mathbf{A}_k = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$ .

If no constraints are active,  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_0 > b_i$  for  $i \in \mathcal{I}$ , then the corresponding working set is empty,  $\mathcal{W}_0 = \emptyset$ . The objective function (4.4) is convex, and therefore if  $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) \notin \Omega$ , then one or more constraints will be violated, when  $\mathbf{x}_k$  seeks the minimum of the objective function. This explains why the working set is never empty, once a constraint has become active, i.e.  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k \neq \emptyset$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

#### Improving Direction

The feasible sequence  $\{\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega\}$  with decreasing value,  $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ , is generated by following the improving direction  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$ . This leads us to

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{g}^T) \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

and in order to satisfy  $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ , the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}$  must be computed so that  $\phi(\mathbf{p}) < 0$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = (\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \in \Omega$ . Instead of computing the new optimal point  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  directly, computational savings are achieved by only computing  $\mathbf{p}$ . When  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$ , the constraint  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = b_i$  becomes

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{a}_i^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = b_i + \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}, \tag{4.9}$$

so

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \tag{4.10}$$

and the objective function becomes

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}). \tag{4.11}$$

So for the subspaces  $\mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$  and  $\mathcal{S}_k = \{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$ , we get

$$\min_{\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathcal{M}_k} f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{S}_k} f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{S}_k} \phi(\mathbf{p}) \tag{4.12}$$

and hereby we have the following relations



$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}^* = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^* \quad (4.13)$$

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}^*). \quad (4.14)$$

For these relations  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*$  and  $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}^*)$  respectively are the optimal solution and the optimal value of

$$\min_{\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{2} \bar{\mathbf{x}}^T \mathbf{G} \bar{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{g}^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} \quad (4.15a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.15b)$$

and  $\mathbf{p}^*$  and  $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*)$  respectively are the optimal solution and the optimal value of

$$\min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \phi(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.16a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.16b)$$

The right hand side of the constraints in (4.16) is zero, which is why it is easier to find the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}$  than to solve (4.15). This means that the improving direction is found by solving (4.16).

### Step Length

If we take the full step  $\mathbf{p}$ , we cannot be sure, that  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}$  is feasible. In this section we will therefore find the step length  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , which ensures feasibility.

If the optimal solution is  $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0$ . And because (4.4) is strictly convex, then  $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < \phi(\mathbf{0}) = 0$ , if  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$ , so

$$\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0, \quad \mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.17)$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < 0, \quad \mathbf{p}^* \in \{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{\mathbf{0}\}. \quad (4.18)$$

The relation between  $f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*)$  and  $\phi(\alpha \mathbf{p}^*)$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \alpha \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G})(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \alpha \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \alpha \mathbf{p} + \alpha \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
&\quad + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \alpha \mathbf{p} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}_k + (\mathbf{x}_k^T \mathbf{G} + \mathbf{g}^T) \alpha \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \alpha \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \alpha \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2} \alpha \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \alpha \mathbf{p} \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\alpha \mathbf{p}).
\end{aligned} \tag{4.19}$$

For  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{x}_k - \alpha \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
&= f((1 - \alpha) \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p})) \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha) f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}) \\
&< (1 - \alpha) f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\
&= f(\mathbf{x}_k)
\end{aligned} \tag{4.20}$$

and because of the convexity of the objective function  $f$ , this is a fact for all  $\alpha \in ]0; 1]$ .

We now know, that if an  $\alpha \in ]0; 1]$  exists, then  $f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ . On this basis we want to find a point on the line segment  $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k$ , whereby the largest possible reduction of the objective function is achieved, and at the same time the constraints not in the current working set, i.e.  $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ , remain satisfied. In other words, looking from point  $\mathbf{x}_k$  in the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}^*$ , we would like to find an  $\alpha$ , so that the point  $\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*$  remains feasible. In this way the greatest reduction of the objective function is obtained by choosing the largest possible  $\alpha$  without leaving the feasible region.

As we want to retain feasibility, we only need to consider the potentially violated constraints. This means the constraints not in the current working set satisfy

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \geq b_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.21)$$

Since  $\mathbf{x}_k \in \Omega$ , we have

$$\alpha \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* \geq b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \leq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k, \quad (4.22)$$

and whenever  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* \geq 0$ , this relation is satisfied for all  $\alpha \geq 0$ . As  $b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \leq 0$ , the relation can still be satisfied for  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$ , if we consider an upper bound  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \bar{\alpha}_i$ , where

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \geq 0, \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.23)$$

Whenever  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i$ , and  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ , we have  $\bar{\alpha}_i = 0$ . So  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*$  will remain feasible,  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in \Omega$ , whenever  $0 \leq \alpha \leq \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k} \bar{\alpha}_i$ . In other words, the upper bound of  $\alpha$  will be chosen in a way, that the nearest constraint not in the current working set will become active.

From the Lagrangian function of (4.16), we know by definition, that  $\mathbf{p}^*$  satisfies

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p}^* + (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g}) - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.24a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.24b)$$

and by transposing and multiplying with  $\mathbf{p}^*$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p}^* &= (\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu}^* - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p}^*)^T \mathbf{p}^* \\ &= \boldsymbol{\mu}^{*T} \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p}^* \\ &= -\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p}^*. \end{aligned} \quad (4.25)$$

From (4.19) and (4.25) we define the line search function  $h(\alpha)$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 h(\alpha) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) \\
 &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \\
 &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* + \frac{1}{2}\alpha^2 \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha^2 - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha + f(\mathbf{x}_k). \tag{4.26}
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq 0$  is the solution of (4.16), we have  $\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* > 0$ , as  $\mathbf{G}$  is positive definite. So the line search function is a parabola with upward legs. The first order derivative is

$$\frac{dh}{d\alpha}(\alpha) = \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \tag{4.27a}$$

$$= (\alpha - 1) \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*, \tag{4.27b}$$

which tells us, that the line search function has its minimum at  $\frac{dh}{d\alpha}(1) = 0$ . Therefore the largest possible reduction in the line search function (4.26) is achieved by selecting  $\alpha \in [0; 1]$  as large as possible. So the optimal solution of

$$\min_{\alpha \in \mathbb{R}} h(\alpha) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha^2 - \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* \alpha + f(\mathbf{x}_k) \tag{4.28a}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{a}_i^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \tag{4.28b}$$

is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha^* &= \min \left( 1, \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \bar{\alpha}_i \right) \\
 &= \min \left( 1, \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \right) \geq 0. \tag{4.29}
 \end{aligned}$$

The largest possible reduction in the objective function along the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}^*$  is obtained by the new point  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^*$ .

### 4.1.3 Appending and Removing a Constraint

The largest possible reduction of the objective function in the affine space  $\mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$  is obtained at point  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*$ , i.e. by selecting  $\alpha^* = 1$  and  $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k$ . This point satisfies  $f(\mathbf{x}_{k+1}) < f(\mathbf{x}_k)$ , and since  $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k$ , this point will also be the optimal solution in the affine space  $\mathcal{M}_{k+1} = \mathcal{M}_k$ , thus a new iterate will give  $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{0}$ . So, in order to minimize the objective function further, we must update the working set for each iteration. This is done either by appending or removing a constraint from the current working set  $\mathcal{W}_k$ .

#### Appending a Constraint

If the point  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^* \notin \Omega = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i, i \in \mathcal{I}\}$ , then the point is not feasible with respect to one or more constraints not in the current working set  $\mathcal{W}_k$ . Therefore, by choosing the point  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^* \in \mathcal{M}_k \cap \Omega$ , where  $\alpha^* \in [0; 1[$ , feasibility is sustained and the largest possible reduction of the objective function is achieved. In other words, we have a blocking constraint with index  $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ , such that  $\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha^* \mathbf{p}^*) = b_j$ . So, by appending constraint  $j$  to the current working set, we get a new working set  $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\}$  corresponding to  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1}$ , which is then a feasible point by construction.

The set of blocking constraints is defined as

$$\mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0} \frac{b_i - \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*} \quad (4.30)$$

The blocking constraint to be appended, is the most violated constraint. In other words, it is the violated constraint, found closest to the current point  $\mathbf{x}_k$ . As mentioned, the working set is updated as  $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\}$ , which means, that we append the vector  $\mathbf{a}_j$ , where  $j \in \mathcal{J}$ , to the current working set. The constraints in the current working set, i.e. the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  for which  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ , satisfies

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^* = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.31)$$

If vector  $\mathbf{a}_j$ , where  $j \in \mathcal{J}$ , is linearly dependent of the constraints in the current

working set, i.e.  $\mathbf{a}_j \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{a}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$ , then we have

$$\exists \gamma_i \in \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \gamma_i \mathbf{a}_i, \quad (4.32)$$

hence  $\mathbf{a}_j$  must satisfy

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \gamma_i \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*)}_{=0} = 0, \quad j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (4.33)$$

But since we choose  $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ , such that  $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$ , we have  $\mathbf{a}_j \notin \text{span}\{\mathbf{a}_i\}_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k}$ . So we are guaranteed, that the blocking constraint  $j$  is linearly independent of the constraints in the current working set, i.e.  $(\mathbf{A} \ \mathbf{a}_j)$  maintains full column rank.

## Removing a Constraint

We now have to decide whether  $\mathbf{x}_k$  is a global minimizer of the inequality constrained QP (4.3).

From the optimality conditions

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.34a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34b)$$

$$\mu_i^* \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34c)$$

$$\mu_i^* (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i) = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.34d)$$

it is seen that  $\mathbf{x}_k$  is the global minimizer  $\mathbf{x}^*$  if and only if the pair  $\mathbf{x}_k, \mu$  satisfies

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \underbrace{\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i}_{=0} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \underbrace{\mu_i}_{=0} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.35a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k \geq b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \quad (4.35b)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.35c)$$

We must remark, that

$$\mu_i \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i)}_{=0} = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.36a)$$

$$\underbrace{\mu_i}_{=0} (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i) = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k \quad (4.36b)$$

from which we have

$$\mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k - b_i) = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.37)$$

So we see, that  $\mathbf{x}_k$  is the unique global minimizer of (4.3), if the computed Lagrange multipliers  $\mu_i$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$  are non-negative. The remaining Lagrangian multipliers for  $i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$  are then selected according to the optimality conditions (4.7), so

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{x}_k \quad (4.38)$$

$$\mu_i^* = \begin{cases} \mu_i, & i \in \mathcal{W}_k \\ 0, & i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k. \end{cases} \quad (4.39)$$

But if there exists an index  $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$  such that  $\mu_j < 0$ , then the point  $\mathbf{x}_k$  cannot be the global minimizer of (4.3). So we have to relax, in other words leave, the constraint  $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_j$  and move in a direction  $\mathbf{p}$  such that  $\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}) > b_j$ . From sensitivity theory in Nocedal and Wright [14] we know, that a decrease in function value  $f$  is obtained by choosing any constraint for which the Lagrange

multiplier is negative. The largest rate of decrease is obtained by selecting  $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$  corresponding to the most negative Lagrange multiplier.

So if an index  $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$  exists, where  $\mu_j < 0$ , we will find an improving direction  $\mathbf{p}^*$ , which is a solution to

$$\min_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \phi(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + (\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.40a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.40b)$$

As  $\mathbf{p}^*$  is the global minimizer of (4.40), there exists multipliers  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^*$  so that

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* + \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.41)$$

and if we let  $\mathbf{x}_k$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  satisfy

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k} \mathbf{a}_i \hat{\mu}_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.42a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k, \quad (4.42b)$$

and we subtract (4.42a) from (4.41) we get

$$\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \mathbf{a}_i (\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i) + \mathbf{a}_j \hat{\mu}_j = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.43)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{a}_i - \frac{\mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j}. \quad (4.44)$$

Since  $\mathbf{a}_i$  is linearly independent for  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k$  and thereby also for  $i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}$ ,



then  $\mathbf{a}_j$  cannot be a linear combination of  $\mathbf{a}_i$ , which means

$$\mathbf{a}_j \neq \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{a}_i \quad (4.45)$$

implying that  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$ . Now we will shortly summarize, what have been stated in this section so far. If the optimal solution has not been found at iteration  $k$  some negative Lagrange multipliers exist. The constraint  $j \in \mathcal{W}_k$ , which correspond to the most negative Lagrange multiplier  $\mu_j$  is removed from the working set. The new improving direction is computed by solving (4.40) and it is guaranteed to be non-zero  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq \mathbf{0}$ . This statement is important in the following derivations.

By taking a new step after removing constraint  $j$ , we must now guarantee, that the relaxed constraint is not violated again, in other words that the remaining constraints in the current working set are still satisfied and that we actually get a decrease in function value  $f$ .

Taking the dot-product of  $\mathbf{a}_j$  and  $\mathbf{p}^*$ , by means of multiplying (4.44) with  $\mathbf{p}^{*T}$ , we get

$$\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{a}_i - \frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} \quad (4.46)$$

which by transposing becomes

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}} \frac{\mu_i^* - \hat{\mu}_i}{\hat{\mu}_j} \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} - \frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} = -\frac{\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^*}{\hat{\mu}_j} . \quad (4.47)$$

Since  $\mathbf{p}^{*T} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p}^* > 0$ ,  $\mathbf{p}^* \neq 0$ , and  $\hat{\mu}_j < 0$ , it follows that

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* > 0. \quad (4.48)$$

Bearing in mind that  $\mathbf{x}_k \in \mathcal{M}_k = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k = b_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k\}$ , we see that

$$\mathbf{a}_j^T (\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha \mathbf{p}^*) = \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{x}_k}_{=b_j} + \alpha \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{>0} > b_j, \quad \forall \alpha \in ]0, 1] \quad (4.49)$$

and

$$\mathbf{a}_i^T(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*) = \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}_k}_{=b_i} + \alpha \underbrace{\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{p}^*}_{=0} = b_i, \quad \forall \alpha \in ]0, 1], \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.50)$$

As expected, we see that the relaxed constraint  $j$  and the constraints in the new active set are still satisfied.

As (4.40) is strictly convex, we know, that  $\phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < 0$  for the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}^*$ , and the feasible non-optimal solution  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$  has the value  $\phi(\mathbf{0}) = 0$ . If we also keep in mind that

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\alpha\mathbf{p}^*) \quad (4.51)$$

and when  $\alpha = 1$ , then we get

$$f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*) = f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \phi(\mathbf{p}^*) < f(\mathbf{x}_k). \quad (4.52)$$

From this relation, the convexity of  $f$  and because  $\alpha \in ]0; 1]$ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*) &= f(\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{x}_k - \alpha\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha\mathbf{p}^*) \\ &= f((1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}_k + \alpha(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*)) \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{p}^*) \\ &< (1 - \alpha)f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}_k) + \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) - \alpha f(\mathbf{x}_k) \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}_k). \end{aligned} \quad (4.53)$$

So in fact we actually get a decrease in function value  $f$ , by taking the new step having relaxed constraint  $j$ .

In this section we have found that if  $\mu_j < 0$ , then the current point  $\mathbf{x}_k$  cannot be a global minimizer. So to proceed we have to remove constraint  $j$  from the current working set,  $\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\}$ , and update the current point by taking a zero step,  $\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k$ .

A constraint removed from the working set cannot be appended to the working set in the iteration immediately after taking the zero step. This is because a blocking constraint is characterized by  $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* < 0$ , while from (4.48) we know, that  $\mathbf{a}_j^T \mathbf{p}^* > 0$ . Still, the possibility of cycling can be a problem for the primal active set method, for example in cases like

$$\dots \longrightarrow \{i, j, l\} \xrightarrow{-j} \{i, l\} \xrightarrow{-l} \{i\} \xrightarrow{+j} \{i, j\} \xrightarrow{+l} \{i, j, l\} \xrightarrow{-j} \{i, l\} \longrightarrow \dots \quad (4.54)$$

This and similar cases are not considered, so if any cycling occurs, it is stopped by setting a maximum number of iterations for the method.

The procedure of the primal active set method is stated in algorithm 4.1.1.



## 4.2 Primal active set method by example

We will now demonstrate how the primal active set method finds the optimum in the following example:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad c_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 - 1 \geq 0 \\ c_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2 + 2 \geq 0 \\ c_3 &= -x_2 + 2.5 \geq 0 \\ c_4 &= -3x_1 + x_2 + 3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

At every iteration  $k$  the path  $(\mathbf{x}^1 \dots \mathbf{x}^k)$  is plotted together with the constraints, where active constraints are indicated in red. The 4 constraints and their column index in  $\mathbf{A}$  are labeled on the constraint in the plot. The feasible area is in the top right corner where the plot is lightest. The start position is chosen to be  $\mathbf{x} = [4.0, 4.0]^T$  which is feasible and the active set is empty  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ . For every iteration we have plotted the situation when we enter the while-loop at  $\mathbf{x}$ , see algorithm 4.1.1 .

### Iteration 1

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.1. On entering the while-loop the working set is empty and therefore the improving direction is found to be  $\mathbf{p} = [-4.0, -4.0]^T$ . As figure 4.1 suggests, the first constraint to be violated taking this step is  $c_3$  which is at step length  $\alpha = 0.375$ . The step  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \alpha \mathbf{p}$  is taken and the constraint  $c_3$  is appended to the working set.

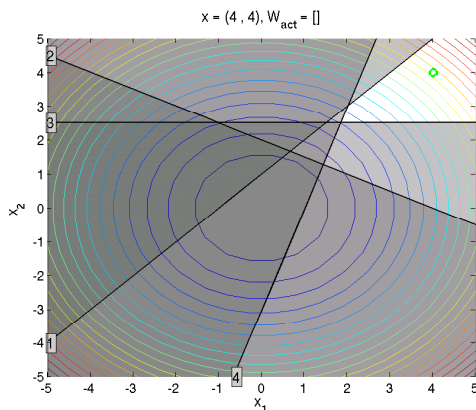


Figure 4.1: Iteration 1,  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [4.0, 4.0]^T$ .

### Iteration 2

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.2. Now the working set is  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$  which means that the new improving direction  $\mathbf{p}$  is found by minimizing  $f(\mathbf{x})$  subject to  $c_3(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{p}) = 0$ . The improving direction is found to be  $\mathbf{p} = [-2.5, 0.0]^T$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [2.5]$ . The first constraint to be violated in this direction is  $c_4$  which is at step length  $\alpha = 0.267$ . The step  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \alpha\mathbf{p}$  is taken and the constraint  $c_4$  is appended to the working set.

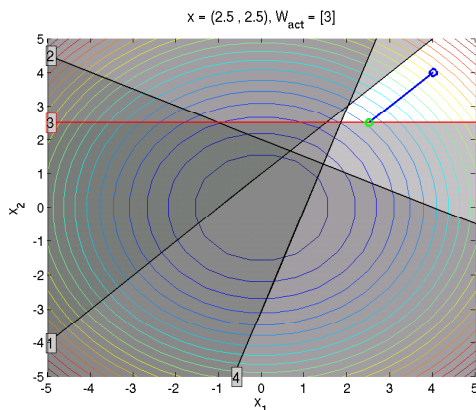


Figure 4.2: Iteration 2,  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [2.5, 2.5]^T$ .

**Iteration 3**

The situation is illustrated in figure 4.3. Here the working set is  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$  and the new improving direction is found to be  $\mathbf{p} = [0, 0]^T$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [3.1, 0.6]^T$ . Because  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$  and no negative Lagrange Multipliers exist, position  $\mathbf{x}$  is optimal. Therefore the method terminates with  $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$ .

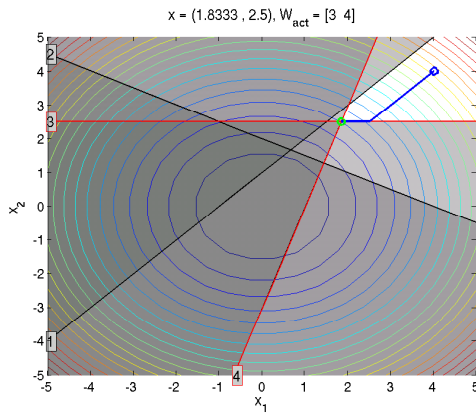


Figure 4.3: Iteration 3,  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$ .

An interactive demo application `QP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

### 4.3 Dual active set method

In the foregoing, we have described the primal active set method which solves an inequality constrained convex QP, by keeping track of a working set  $\mathcal{W}$ . In this section we will examine the dual active set method, which requires the QP to be strictly convex. The dual active set method uses the dual set of  $\mathcal{W}$ , which we will call  $\mathcal{W}_D$ . The method benefits from always having an easily calculated feasible starting point and the method does not have the possibility of cycling. The theory is based on earlier works by Goldfarb and Idnani [10], Schmid and Biegler [11] and Schittkowski [12].

#### 4.3.1 Survey

The inequality constrained strictly convex QP that we want to solve is as follows

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (4.55a)$$

$$\text{s.t. } c_i(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.55b)$$

The corresponding Lagrangian function is

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i). \quad (4.56)$$

The dual program of (4.55) is

$$\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathbb{R}^m} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) \quad (4.57a)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.57b)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.57c)$$

The necessary and sufficient conditions for optimality of the dual program is



$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^* + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^* = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.58a)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i = 0 \quad i \in A(\mathbf{x}^*) \quad (4.58b)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* - b_i > 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus A(\mathbf{x}^*) \quad (4.58c)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in A(\mathbf{x}^*) \quad (4.58d)$$

$$\mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I} \setminus A(\mathbf{x}^*). \quad (4.58e)$$

These conditions are exactly the same as the optimality conditions of the primal program (4.55), and this corresponds to the fact that the optimal value  $L(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\mu}^*)$  of the dual program is equivalent to the optimal value  $f(\mathbf{x}^*)$  of the primal program. This is why the solution of the primal program can be found by solving the dual program (4.57).

The method maintains dual feasibility at any iteration  $\{\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k\}$  by satisfying (4.57b) and (4.57c). This is done by keeping track of a working set  $\mathcal{W}$ . The constraints in the working set satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^k = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.59a)$$

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^k) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^k - b_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.59b)$$

$$\mu_i^k \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.59c)$$

The constraints in the complementary set  $\mathcal{W}_D = \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}$ , i.e. the active set of the dual program, satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x}^k + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{W}_D} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i^k = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.60a)$$

$$\mu_i^k = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_D, \quad (4.60b)$$

and from (4.58), (4.59) and (4.60) it is clear that an optimum has been found  $\mathbf{x}^k = \mathbf{x}^*$  if

$$c_i(\mathbf{x}^k) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}^k - b_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_D. \quad (4.61)$$

If this is not the case some violated constraint  $r \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  exists, i.e.  $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$ . The following relationship explains why  $\{\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k\}$  cannot be an optimum in this case

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \mu_r}(\mathbf{x}^k, \boldsymbol{\mu}^k) = -c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) > 0. \quad (4.62)$$

This means that (4.57a) can be increased by increasing the Lagrangian multiplier  $\mu_r$ . In fact, this explains the key idea of the dual active set method. The idea is to choose a constraint  $c_r$  from the dual active working set  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  which is violated  $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$  and make it satisfied  $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) \geq 0$  by increasing the Lagrangian multiplier  $\mu_r$ . This procedure continues iteratively until no constraints from  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  are violated. At this point the optimum has been found and the method terminates.

### 4.3.2 Improving Direction and Step Length

If optimality has not been found at iteration  $k$  it indicates that a constraint  $c_r$  is violated, which means that  $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) < 0$ . In this section we will investigate how to find both an improving direction and a step length which satisfy the violated constraint  $c_r$ .

#### Improving Direction

The Lagrangian multiplier  $\mu_r$  of the violated constraint  $c_r$  from  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  should be changed from zero to some value that will optimize (4.57a) and satisfy (4.57b) and (4.57c). After this operation the new position is

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} \quad (4.63a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + u_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.63b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.63c)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}} \setminus r. \quad (4.63d)$$

From (4.57b) and (4.59b) we know that  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  should satisfy

$$\mathbf{G}\bar{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \bar{\mu}_i = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.64a)$$

$$c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T \bar{\mathbf{x}} - b_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.64b)$$

As  $\mu_i \neq 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\bar{\mu}_r \neq 0$  and  $r$  yet not in  $\mathcal{W}$ , this can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{x}} \\ \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \bar{\mu}_r = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.65)$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  has full column rank,  $\mathbf{G}$  is symmetric and positive definite,  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = [\bar{\mu}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_r$  is the constraint from  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  we are looking at and  $\mu_r$  is the corresponding Lagrangian multiplier. Using (4.63) this can be formulated as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mu_r + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} t = \mathbf{0}. \quad (4.66)$$

From (4.64) we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{g} \\ \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \mu_r = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.67)$$

and therefore (4.66) is simplified as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} t = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.68)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{s} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} t. \quad (4.69)$$

The new improving direction  $(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{v})^T$  is found by solving (4.69), using a solver for equality constrained QP's, e.g. the range space or the null space procedure.

### Step Length

Having the improving direction we now would like to find the step length  $t$  (4.69). This step length should be chosen in a way, that makes (4.57c) satisfied. From (4.63), (4.66) and (4.69) we have the following statements about the new step

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p} \quad (4.70a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + u_i = \mu_i + tv_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.70b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.70c)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i = 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_D \setminus r. \quad (4.70d)$$

To make sure that  $\bar{\mu}_r \geq 0$  (4.57c), we must require, that  $t \geq 0$ . When  $v_i \geq 0$  we have  $\bar{\mu}_i \geq 0$  and (4.57c) is satisfied for any value of  $t \geq 0$ . When  $v_i < 0$  we must require  $t$  to be some positive value less than  $\frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$ , which makes  $\bar{\mu}_i \geq 0$  as  $\mu_i \geq 0$  and  $v_i < 0$ . This means that  $t$  should be chosen as

$$t \in [0, t_{\max}], \quad t_{\max} = \min(\infty, \min_{i:v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}) \geq 0. \quad (4.71)$$

Now we know what values of  $t$  we can choose, in order to retain dual feasibility when taking the new step. To find out what exact value of  $t$  in the interval (4.71) we should choose to make the step optimal we need to examine what happens to the primal objective function (4.55a), the dual objective function (4.57a), and the constraint  $c_r$  as we take the step.

### The relation between $c_r(\mathbf{x})$ and $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$

Now we shall examine how  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$  is related to  $c_r(\mathbf{x})$ . For this reason, we need to state the following properties. From (4.69) we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} \quad (4.72a)$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (4.72b)$$

Multiplying (4.72a) with  $\mathbf{p}$  gives

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{v})^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} \quad (4.73)$$

and because  $\mathbf{G}$  is positive definite, we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} \geq 0 \quad (4.74a)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.74b)$$

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} > 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{p} \neq \mathbf{0}. \quad (4.74c)$$

As  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}$  we get

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{a}_r^T(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) - b_r = \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{x} - b_r + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.75)$$

and because  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{x} - b_r$  this is equivalent to

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}. \quad (4.76)$$

From (4.71) and (4.74a) we know that  $t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \geq 0$  and therefore

$$c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \geq c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.77)$$

This means that the constraint  $c_r$  is increasing (if  $t > 0$ ) as we move from  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  and this is exactly what we want as it is negative and violated at  $\mathbf{x}$ .

### The relation between $f(\mathbf{x})$ and $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$

In addition to the foregoing we will now investigate what happens to the primal objective function (4.55a) as we move from  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ . Inserting  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}$  in (4.55a) gives

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}) + \mathbf{g}^T(\mathbf{x} + t\mathbf{p}), \quad (4.78)$$

which may be reformulated as

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} + t(\mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T \mathbf{p}, \quad (4.79)$$

and using (4.55a) this leads to

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2\mathbf{p}^T\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} + t(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T\mathbf{p}. \quad (4.80)$$

From (4.67) we have the relation

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{a}_r\mu_r = \mathbf{0}, \quad (4.81)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{a}_r\mu_r \quad (4.82)$$

and when multiplied with  $\mathbf{p}$  this gives

$$(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T\mathbf{p} = (\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{a}_r\mu_r)^T\mathbf{p} = \boldsymbol{\mu}^T\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{p} + \mu_r\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p}. \quad (4.83)$$

Furthermore using the fact that  $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ , this is equivalent to

$$(\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g})^T\mathbf{p} = \mu_r\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p}. \quad (4.84)$$

Inserting this in (4.80) gives

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2\mathbf{p}^T\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} + t\mu_r\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p}. \quad (4.85)$$

Using  $\mathbf{p}^T\mathbf{G}\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p}$  from (4.74a) we get

$$f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \frac{1}{2}t^2\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p} + t\mu_r\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p} = f(\mathbf{x}) + t(\mu_r + \frac{1}{2}t)\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p}. \quad (4.86)$$

As  $t \geq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{a}_r^T\mathbf{p} \geq 0$  and  $\mu_r \geq 0$  the primal objective function does not decrease when we move from  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$ .

**The relation between  $L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  and  $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$** 

We will now investigate what happens to the Lagrangian function (4.57a) as we move from  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  to  $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$ . After taking a new step we have

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}), \quad (4.87)$$

and because  $\mu_i = 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  and  $c_i(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}$  this is equivalent to

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \bar{\mu}_r c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}). \quad (4.88)$$

By replacing  $f(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$  with (4.86),  $\bar{\mu}_r$  with  $\mu_r + t$  and  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}})$  with (4.76), we then have

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + t(\mu_r + \frac{1}{2}t)\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - (\mu_r + t)(c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}), \quad (4.89)$$

which we reformulate as

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) + \mu_r t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}) - t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} \quad (4.90)$$

and finally this gives

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}) - \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.91)$$

The Lagrangian  $L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  before taking the new step is

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i c_i(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.92)$$

and as in the case above we have the precondition  $\mu_i = 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  and

$c_i(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  for  $i \in \mathcal{W}$  and therefore (4.92) is equivalent to

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mu_r c_r(\mathbf{x}), \quad (4.93)$$

and inserting this in (4.91) gives us

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.94)$$

Now we want to know what values of  $t$  make  $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) \geq L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$ , i.e what values of  $t$  that satisfy

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) - L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) = -\frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - t c_r(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0. \quad (4.95)$$

This inequality is satisfied when

$$t \in [0, 2 \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}]. \quad (4.96)$$

When  $t$  is in this interval, the Lagrangian function increases as we move from  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  to  $(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$ . To find the value of  $t$  that gives the greatest increment we must differentiate (4.94) with respect to  $t$

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = -t \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - c_r(\mathbf{x}). \quad (4.97)$$

The greatest increment is at  $t^*$  where

$$-t^* \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad t^* = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}. \quad (4.98)$$

At this point we would like to stop up and present a short summary of what has been revealed throughout the latest sections. If optimality has not been



found at iteration  $k$ , some violated constraint  $c_r(\mathbf{x}^k) \leq 0$  must exist. The new improving direction is found by solving the equality constrained QP

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.99)$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  has full column rank,  $\mathbf{G}$  is symmetric and positive definite and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  is the violated constraint. The optimal step length  $t$ , which ensures feasibility is found from statements (4.71) and (4.98)

$$t = \min\left(\min_{i: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}, \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}\right). \quad (4.100)$$

Both the dual objective function (4.57) and the violated constraint increase as we take the step.

### 4.3.3 Linear Dependency

The KKT system (4.69) can only be solved if  $\mathbf{G}$  is positive definite, and  $\mathbf{A}$  has full column rank. If the constraints in  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly dependent, it is not possible to add constraint  $r$  to the working set  $\mathcal{W}$ , as  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W} \cup r}$  in this case would not have full column rank. This problem is solved by removing constraint  $j$  from  $\mathcal{W}$ , which makes the constraints in the new working set  $\bar{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  linearly independent. This particular case will be investigated in the following. The linear dependency of  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  can be written as

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i \mathbf{a}_i = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\gamma}. \quad (4.101)$$

When multiplied with  $\mathbf{p}$  we get

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = \boldsymbol{\gamma}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p}, \quad (4.102)$$

and as  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$  (4.72b) we then have

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.103)$$

Now we will investigate what to do when

$$c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0 \quad \wedge \quad \mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.104)$$

When  $\mathbf{a}_r$  and the constraints in the working set are linearly dependent and (4.69) is solved

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.105)$$

we know from (4.74b) and (4.103) that  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ . If  $\mathbf{v}$  contains any negative values,  $t$  can be calculated using (4.71)

$$t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0, \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}. \quad (4.106)$$

When we move from  $\mathbf{x}$  to  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  we then have

$$\bar{\mu}_j = \mu_j + t v_j = 0 \quad (4.107)$$

and this is why we need to remove constraint  $c_j$  from  $\mathcal{W}$  and we call the new set  $\bar{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$ . Now we will see that  $\mathbf{a}_r$  is linearly independent of the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  for  $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$ . This proof is done by contradiction. Lets assume that  $\mathbf{a}_r$  is linearly dependent of the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  for  $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$ , i.e.  $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$ .

As  $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and hence  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$  we can therefore write

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{p} - \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} = -\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}(-\mathbf{v}) = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i(-v_i). \quad (4.108)$$

At the same time because  $\mathcal{W} = \bar{\mathcal{W}} \cup \{j\}$ , we have

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i(-v_i) + \mathbf{a}_j(-v_j) \quad (4.109)$$

and isolation of  $\mathbf{a}_j$  gives

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \frac{1}{-v_j} \mathbf{a}_r + \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i v_i. \quad (4.110)$$

Since we assumed  $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span} \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}}$ , using (4.101)  $\mathbf{a}_r$  can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{a}_r = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i \gamma_i \quad (4.111)$$

and inserting this equation in (4.110) gives us

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i \gamma_i + \frac{1}{-v_j} \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \mathbf{a}_i v_i, \quad (4.112)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \frac{\gamma_i + v_i}{-v_j} \mathbf{a}_i. \quad (4.113)$$

As we have

$$\mathbf{a}_j = \sum_{i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}} \beta_i \mathbf{a}_i, \quad \beta_i = \frac{\gamma_i + v_i}{-v_j} \quad (4.114)$$

clearly  $\mathbf{a}_j$  is linearly dependent on the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  for  $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}}$  and this is a contradiction to the fact that  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  has full column rank, i.e. the vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  for  $i \in \bar{\mathcal{W}} \cup j$  are linearly independent. This means that the assumption

$\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span}\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  cannot be true, and therefore we must conclude that  $\mathbf{a}_r \notin \text{span}\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ .

Furthermore from (4.94) we know that

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - \frac{1}{2}t^2 \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} - tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.115)$$

and because of linear dependency  $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ , this is equivalent to

$$L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) - tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \quad (4.116)$$

and as  $tc_r(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0$  we know that  $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) \geq L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  when  $\mathbf{a}_r \in \text{span}\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$ .

Now we shall see what happens when no negative elements exist in  $\mathbf{v}$  from (4.105). From (4.71) we know that  $t$  can be chosen as any non negative value, and therefore (4.116) becomes

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) = \infty. \quad (4.117)$$

In this case the dual program is unbounded which means that the primal program (4.55) is infeasible. Proof of this is to be found in Jørgensen [13]. This means that no solution exists.

In short, what has been stated in this section, is that when (4.69) is solved and  $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$  we know that  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly dependent and  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ . If there are no negative elements in  $\mathbf{v}$  the problem is infeasible and no solution exist. If some negative Lagrangian multipliers exist we should find constraint  $c_j$  from  $\mathcal{W}$  where

$$j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}, \quad t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0 \quad (4.118)$$

and the following step is taken

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + tv_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.119a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t. \quad (4.119b)$$

As  $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{0}$ , we know that  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x}$  and therefore this step is not mentioned in (4.119). Again, when  $\bar{\mu}_j = 0$  it means that constraint  $c_j$  belongs to the dual active set  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  and is therefore removed from  $\mathcal{W}$ . The constraints in the new working set  $\bar{\mathcal{W}} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly independent, and as a result a new improving direction and step length may be calculated.

#### 4.3.4 Starting Guess

One of the forces of the dual active set method is that a feasible starting point is easily calculated. Starting out with all constraints in the dual active set  $\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}}$  and therefore  $\mathcal{W}$  being empty

$$\mu_i = 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{I}, \quad \mathcal{W} = \emptyset \quad (4.120)$$

and if we start in

$$\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g} \quad (4.121)$$

(4.57b) and (4.57c) are satisfied

$$\mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mathbf{a}_i \mu_i = \mathbf{G}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0} \quad (4.122a)$$

$$\mu_i \geq 0 \quad i \in \mathcal{I}. \quad (4.122b)$$

The Lagrangian function is

$$\begin{aligned} L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \mu_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \\ &= f(\mathbf{x}), \end{aligned} \quad (4.123)$$

which means that the starting point is at the minimum of the objective function of the primal program (4.55a) without taking notice of the constraints (4.55b).

Because the inverse Hessian matrix is used we must require the QP to be strictly convex.

### 4.3.5 In summary

Now we will summarize what has been discussed in this section and show how the dual active set method works. At iteration  $k$  we have  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, r, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{W}_D)$  where  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ . Using the null space or the range space procedure the new improving direction is calculated by solving

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}. \quad (4.124)$$

If  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly dependent and no elements from  $\mathbf{v}$  are negative the problem is infeasible and the method is terminated. Using (4.103) and (4.117) this is the case when

$$\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0 \quad \wedge \quad v_i \geq 0, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}. \quad (4.125)$$

If on the other hand  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly dependent and some elements from  $\mathbf{v}$  are negative,  $c_j$  is removed from  $\mathcal{W}$ , step length  $t$  is calculated according to (4.106) and a new step is taken

$$t = \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \geq 0, \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \quad (4.126a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + t v_i \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.126b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t \quad (4.126c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.126d)$$

If  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly independent and some elements from  $\mathbf{v}$  are negative, we calculate two step lengths  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  according to (4.71) and (4.98)

$$t_1 = \min(\infty, \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j}), \quad j = \arg \min_{j: v_j < 0} \frac{-\mu_j}{v_j} \quad (4.127a)$$

$$t_2 = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}, \quad (4.127b)$$

where  $t_1$  can be regarded as the step length in dual space because it assures that (4.57c) is satisfied whenever  $0 \leq t \leq t_1$ . Constraint (4.55b) is satisfied for

$c_r$  when  $t \geq t_2$  and therefore  $t_2$  can be regarded as the step length in primal space. Therefore we will call  $t_1$   $t_D$  and  $t_2$   $t_P$ .

If  $t_D < t_P$  then  $t_D$  is used as the step length and (4.57c) remain satisfied when we take the step. After taking the step,  $c_j$  is removed from  $\mathcal{W}$  because  $\bar{\mu}_j = 0$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t_D \mathbf{p} \quad (4.128a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + t_D v_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.128b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t_D \quad (4.128c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}. \quad (4.128d)$$

If  $t_P \leq t_D$  then  $t_P$  is used as the step length and (4.55b) get satisfied for  $c_r$ . After taking the step we have that  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$  and therefore  $r$  is appended to  $\mathcal{W}$

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{x} + t_P \mathbf{p} \quad (4.129a)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_i = \mu_i + t_P v_i, \quad i \in \mathcal{W} \quad (4.129b)$$

$$\bar{\mu}_r = \mu_r + t_P \quad (4.129c)$$

$$\mathcal{W} = \mathcal{W} \cup \{r\}. \quad (4.129d)$$

If  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r$  are linearly independent and no elements from  $\mathbf{v}$  are negative we have found the optimum and the program is terminated.

The procedure of the dual active set method is stated in algorithm 4.3.1.

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**Algorithm 4.3.1:** Dual Active Set Algorithm for Strictly Convex Inequality Constrained QP's. **Note:**  $\mathcal{W}_D = \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}$ .

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Compute  $\mathbf{x}_0 = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$ , set  $\mu_i = 0, i \in \mathcal{W}_D$  and  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ .

**while NOT STOP do**

**if**  $c_i(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \forall i \in \mathcal{W}_D$  **then**

**└ STOP**, the optimal solution  $\mathbf{x}^*$  has been found!

  Select  $r \in \mathcal{W}_D : c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$ .

**while**  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$  **do**

    /\* find improving direction  $\mathbf{p}$  \*/

    Find the improving direction  $\mathbf{p}$  by solving the equality constrained QP:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & -\mathbf{A} \\ -\mathbf{A}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a}_r \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i]_{i \in \mathcal{W}}$$

**if**  $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$  **then**

**if**  $v_i \geq 0 \forall i \in \mathcal{W}$  **then**

**└ STOP**, the problem is infeasible!

**else** /\* compute step length  $t$ , remove constraint  $j$  \*/

$$t = \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}, \mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$$

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + t v_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{J}$

**else**

    /\* compute step length  $t_D$  and  $t_P$  \*/

$$t_D = \min \left( \infty, \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i} \right), \mathcal{J} = \arg \min_{i \in \mathcal{W}: v_i < 0} \frac{-\mu_i}{v_i}$$

$$t_P = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$$

**if**  $t_P \leq t_D$  **then**

    /\* append constraint  $r$  \*/

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + t_P \mathbf{p}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + t_P v_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t_P$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \cup \{r\}$

**else**

    /\* remove constraint  $j$  \*/

$\mathbf{x} \leftarrow \mathbf{x} + t_D \mathbf{p}$

$\mu_i \leftarrow \mu_i + t_D v_i, i \in \mathcal{W}$

$\mu_r \leftarrow \mu_r + t_D$

$\mathcal{W} \leftarrow \mathcal{W} \setminus \{j\}, j \in \mathcal{J}$

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### 4.3.6 Termination

The dual active set method does not have the ability to cycle as it terminates in a finite number of steps. This is one of the main forces of the method, and therefore we will now investigate this property.

As the algorithm (4.3.1) suggests, the method mainly consists of two while-loops which we call outer-loop and inner-loop. In the outer-loop we test if optimality has been found. If this is not the case we choose some violated constraint  $r$ ,  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$  and move to the inner-loop.

At every iteration of the inner-loop we calculate a new improving direction and a corresponding step length:  $t = \min(t_D, t_P)$ , where  $t_D$  is the step length in dual space and  $t_P$  is the step length in primal space. The step length in primal space is always positive,  $t_P > 0$  as  $t_P = \frac{-c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$ , where  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) < 0$  and  $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} > 0$ . From (4.95) and (4.96) we know that  $L(\bar{\mathbf{x}}, \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}}) > L(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  whenever  $0 < t < \frac{-2c_r(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p}}$ . This means that the dual objective function  $L$  increases when a step in primal space is taken. A step in primal space also means that we leave the inner-loop as constraint  $c_r$  is satisfied  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ .

A step in dual space is taken whenever  $t_D < t_P$  and in this case we have  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t_D \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} < c_r(\mathbf{x}) + t_P \mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ . This means that we will never leave the inner-loop after a step in dual space as  $c_r(\bar{\mathbf{x}}) < 0$ . A constraint  $c_j$  is removed from the working set  $\mathcal{W}$  when we take a step in dual space, which means that  $|\mathcal{W}|$  is the maximum number of steps in dual space that can be taken in succession. After a sequence of  $0 \leq s \leq |\mathcal{W}|$  steps in dual space, a step in primal space will cause us to leave the inner-loop. This step in primal space guarantees that  $L$  is strictly larger when we leave the inner-loop than when we entered it.

As the constraints in the working set  $\mathcal{W}$  are linearly independent at any time, the corresponding solution  $(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$  is unique. Also as  $L(\mathbf{x}^{q+1}, \boldsymbol{\mu}^{q+1}) > L(\mathbf{x}^q, \boldsymbol{\mu}^q)$  (where  $q$  defines the  $q'$ th iteration of the outer loop) we know that the combination of constraints in  $\mathcal{W}$  is unique for any iteration  $q$ . And because the number of different ways the working set can be chosen from  $\mathcal{I}$  is finite and bounded by  $2^{|\mathcal{I}|}$ , we know that the method will terminate in a finite number of iterations.

## 4.4 Dual active set method by example

In the following example we will demonstrate how the dual active set method finds the optimum

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x}, \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad c_1 &= -x_1 + x_2 - 1 \geq 0 \\ c_2 &= -\frac{1}{2}x_1 - x_2 + 2 \geq 0 \\ c_3 &= -x_2 + 2.5 \geq 0 \\ c_4 &= -3x_1 + x_2 + 3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

At every iteration  $k$  we plot the path  $(\mathbf{x}^1 \dots \mathbf{x}^k)$  together with the constraints, where active constraints are indicated with red. The 4 constraints and their column-index in  $\mathbf{A}$  are labeled on the constraint in the plots. The primal feasible area is in the top right corner where the plot is lightest. We use the least negative value of  $c(\mathbf{x}^k)$  every time  $c_r$  is chosen, even though any negative constraint could be used. For every iteration we have plotted the situation when we enter the while loop.

### Iteration 1

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.4. The starting point is at  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{G}^{-1} \mathbf{g} = (0, 0)^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ . On entering the while loop we have  $c(\mathbf{x}) = [1.0, -2.0, -2.5, -3.0]^T$  and therefore  $r = 2$  is chosen because the second element is least negative. The working set is empty and therefore the new improving direction is found to  $\mathbf{p} = [0.5, 1.0]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = []$ . As the step length in primal space is  $t_P = 1.6$  and the step length in dual space is  $t_D = \infty$ ,  $t_P$  is used, and therefore  $r$  is appended to the working set. The step is taken as seen in figure 4.5.

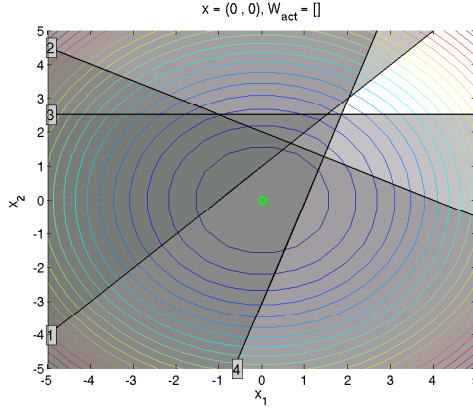


Figure 4.4: Iteration 1,  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [0, 0]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 0, 0]^T$ .

### Iteration 2

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.5. On entering the while loop we have  $\mathcal{W} = [2]$ , and because  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  we should choose a new  $r$ . As  $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0.2, 0, -0.9, -2.2]^T$ ,  $r = 3$  is chosen. The new improving direction is found to be  $\mathbf{p} = [-0.4, 0.2]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = [-0.8]$ . As  $t_D = 2.0$  and  $t_P = 4.5$  a step in dual space is taken and  $c_2$  is removed from  $\mathcal{W}$ .

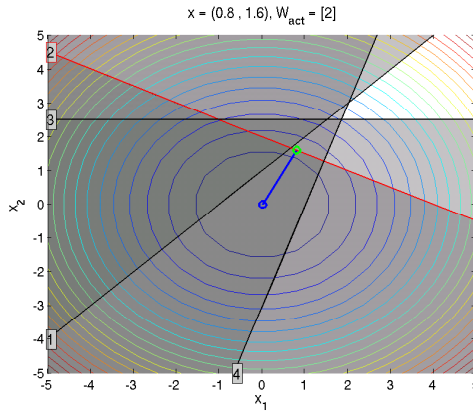


Figure 4.5: Iteration 2,  $\mathcal{W} = [2]$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [0.8, 1.6]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 1.6, 0, 0]^T$ .

### Iteration 3

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.6. Because  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0$  we keep  $r = 3$ . The working set is empty  $\mathcal{W} = \emptyset$ . The improving direction is found to be  $\mathbf{p} = [0.0, 1.0]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = []$ . A step in primal space is taken as  $t_D = \infty$  and

$t_P = 0.5$  and  $r$  is appended to  $\mathcal{W}$ .

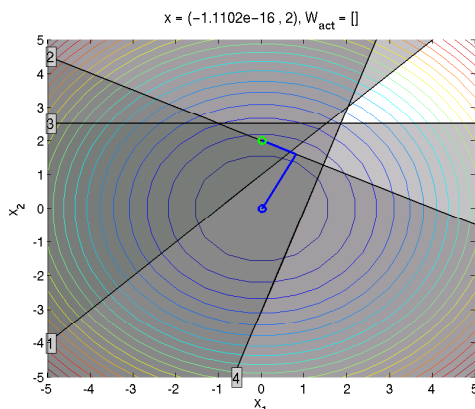


Figure 4.6: Iteration 3,  $\mathcal{W} = []$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [0, 2]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 2, 0]^T$ .

#### Iteration 4

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.7. Now  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  and therefore a new  $r$  should be chosen. As  $c(\mathbf{x}) = [-1.5, 0.5, 0, -5.5]^T$ , we choose  $r = 1$ . The working set is  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ , and the new improving direction is  $\mathbf{p} = [1.0, 0.0]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = [1]$ . We use  $t_P$  as  $t_D = \infty$  and  $t_P = 1.5$  and  $r$  is appended to  $\mathcal{W}$  after taking the step.

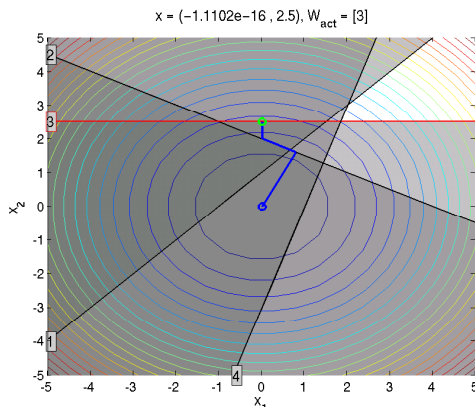


Figure 4.7: Iteration 4,  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [0, 2.5]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 2.5, 0]^T$ .

#### Iteration 5

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.8. As  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  we must choose a new  $r$  and as  $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0, 1.25, 0, -1.0]^T$ ,  $r = 4$  is chosen. At this point  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 1]$ .

The new improving direction is  $\mathbf{p} = [0.0, 0.0]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = [-2, -3]$  and therefore  $\mathbf{a}_r^T \mathbf{p} = 0$ . This means that  $\mathbf{a}_r$  is linearly dependent of the constraints in  $\mathcal{W}$  and therefore 1 is removed from  $\mathcal{W}$ .

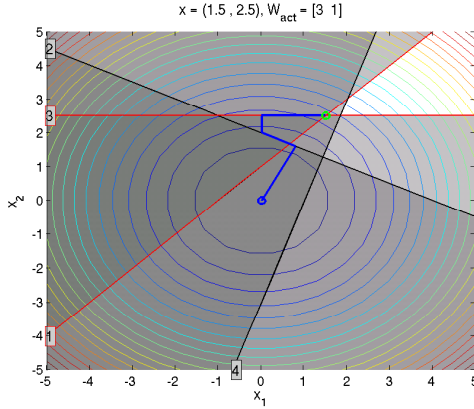


Figure 4.8: Iteration 5,  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 1]$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [1.5, 2.5]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [1.5, 0, 4, 0]^T$ .

**Iteration 6**

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.9. On entering the while loop we have  $c_3$  in the working set  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ . And  $r$  remains 4 because  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) \neq 0$ . The new improving direction is  $\mathbf{p} = [3.0, 0.0]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u} = [1]$ . The step lengths are  $t_D = \infty$  and  $t_P = 0.11$  and therefore a step in primal space is taken and  $r$  is appended to  $\mathcal{W}$ .

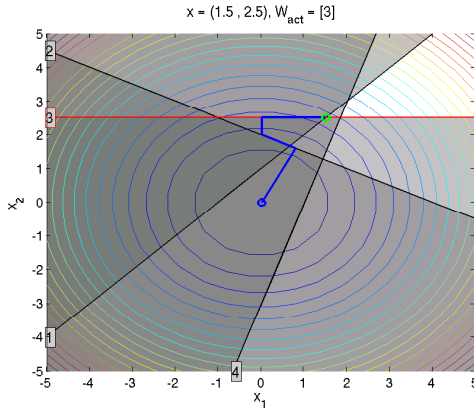


Figure 4.9: Iteration 6,  $\mathcal{W} = [3]$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = [1.5, 2.5]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = [0, 0, 3, 0.5]^T$ .

**Iteration 7**

This situation is illustrated in figure 4.10. Now the working set is  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$  and as  $c_r(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ , a new  $r$  must be chosen. But  $c(\mathbf{x}) = [0.33, 1.42, 0, 0]^T$  (no negative elements) and therefore the global optimal solution has been found and the algorithm is terminated. The optimal solution is  $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.83, 2.50]^T$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = [0, 0, 3.11, 0.61]^T$ .

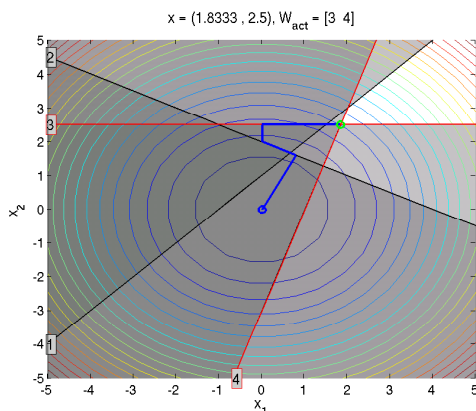


Figure 4.10: Iteration 7,  $\mathcal{W} = [3, 4]$ ,  $\mathbf{x}^* = [1.8, 2.5]^T$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\mu}^* = [0, 0, 3.11, 0.61]^T$ .

An interactive demo application `QP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

# Test and Refinements

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When solving an inequality constrained convex QP, we use either the primal active set method or the dual active set method. In both methods we solve a sequence of KKT systems, where each KKT system correspond to an equality constrained QP. To solve the KKT system we use one of four methods: The range space procedure, the null space procedure, or one of the two with factorization update instead of complete factorizations. We will test these four methods for computational speed to find out how they perform compared to each other.

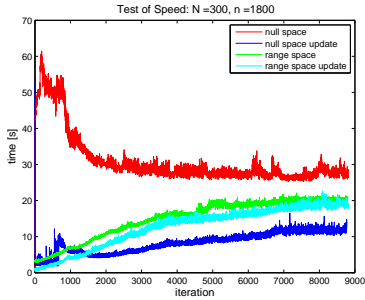
Usually the constraints in an inequality constrained QP are divided into bounded variables and general constraints. This division can be used to further optimization of the factorization updates, as we will discuss later in this chapter. As a test case we will use the quadruple tank problem which is described in appendix A.

## 5.1 Computational Cost of the Range and the Null Space Procedures with Update

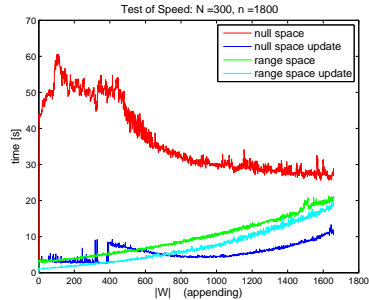
The active set methods solve a sequence of KKT systems by use of the range space procedure, the null space procedure or one of the two with factorization

update. Now we will compare the performance of these methods by solving the quadruple tank problem. By discretizing with  $N = 300$  we define an inequality constrained strictly convex QP with  $n = 1800$  variables and  $|\mathcal{I}| = 7200$  constraints. We have chosen to use the dual active set method because it does not need a precalculated starting point. Different parts of the process are illustrated in figure 5.1. Figure 5.1(a) shows the computational time for solving the KKT system for each iteration and figure 5.1(c) shows the number of active constraints  $|W|$  for each iteration. The size of the active set grows rapidly in the first third of the iterations after which this upward movement fades out a little. This explains why the computational time for the null space procedure decreases fast to begin with and then fades out, as it is proportional to the size of the null space ( $n - m$ ). Likewise, the computational time for the range space procedure grows proportional to the dimension of the range space ( $m$ ). The null space procedure with factorization update is much faster than the null space procedure with complete factorization even though some disturbance is observed in the beginning. This disturbance is probably due to the fact that the testruns are carried out on shared servers. The range space procedure improves slightly whenever factorization update is used. When solving this particular problem, it is clear from figures 5.1(a) and 5.1(c), that range space procedure with factorization update should be used until approximately 800 constraints are active, corresponding to  $\frac{800}{1800}n \simeq 0.45n$ , after which the null space procedure with factorization update should be used. In theory the total number of iterations should be exactly the same for all four methods, however they differ a little due to numerical instability as seen in figure 5.1(c), where the curves are not completely aligned. The number of active constraints at the optimal solution is  $|W| = 1658$ .

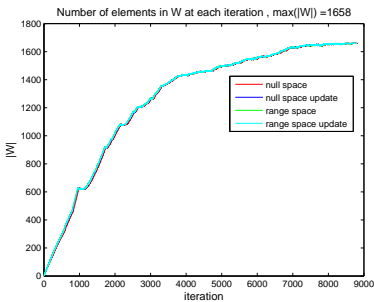




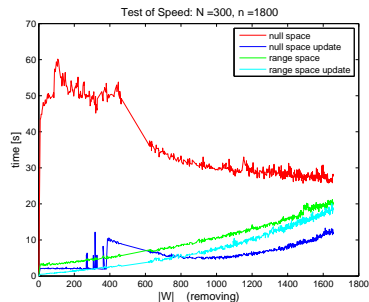
(a) Computational time for solving the KKT system plotted for each iteration.



(b) Computational time for solving the KKT system each time a constraint is appended to the active set  $W$ .



(c) Number of active constraints plotted at each iteration.



(d) Computational time for solving the KKT system each time a constraint is removed from the active set  $W$ .

Figure 5.1: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem with  $N=300$ , (1800 variables and 7200 constraints). Around 8800 iterations are needed (depending on the method) and the number of active constraints at the solution is  $|W| = 1658$ .

## 5.2 Fixed and Free Variables

So far, we have only considered constraints defined like  $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i$ . Since some of the constraints are likely to be bounds on variables  $x_i \geq b_i$ , we divide all constraints into bounds and general constraints. The structure of our QP solver is then defined as follows

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (5.1a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad l_i \leq x_i \leq u_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I}_b = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (5.1b)$$

$$(b_l)_i \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq (b_u)_i \quad i \in \mathcal{I}_{gc} = 1, 2, \dots, m_{gc} \quad (5.1c)$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_b$  is the set of bounds and  $\mathcal{I}_{gc}$  is the set of general constraints. This means that we have upper and lower limits on every bound and on every general constraint, so that the total number of constraints is  $|\mathcal{I}| = 2n + 2m_{gc}$ . We call the active constraint matrix  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and it contains both active bounds and active general constraints. Whenever a bound is active we say that the corresponding variable  $x_i$  is fixed. By use of a permutation matrix  $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  we organize  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{C}$  in the following manner

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{x}} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{C}} \\ \hat{\mathbf{C}} \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{P} \mathbf{C} \quad (5.2)$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n}}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n}}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{C}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times m}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{C}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times m}$ ,  $\tilde{n}$  is the number of free variables and  $\hat{n}$  is the number of fixed variables ( $\hat{n} = n - \tilde{n}$ ). Now we reorganize the active constraint matrix  $\mathbf{P} \mathbf{C}$

$$\mathbf{P} \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{P} (\mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \\ \mathbf{I} & \hat{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.3)$$

where  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times \hat{n}}$  contains the bounds and  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (m - \hat{n})}$  contains the general constraints. So we have  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\tilde{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$  and  $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times \hat{n}}$  as the identity matrix.

The QT factorization (which is used in the null space procedure) of (5.3) is

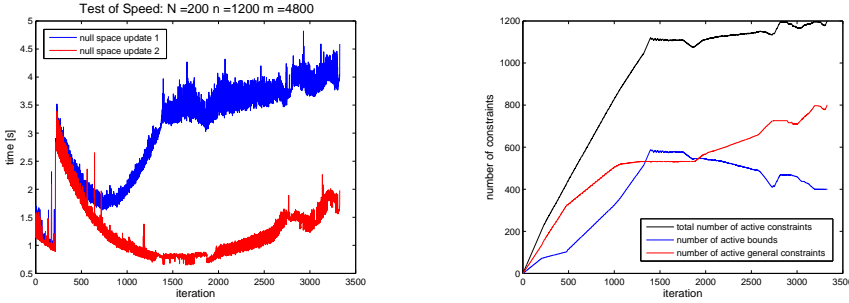
defined as

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{\mathbf{Q}} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \tilde{\mathbf{T}} \\ \mathbf{I} & \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (5.4)$$

where  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times \hat{n}}$ ,  $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times \hat{n}}$ ,  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{T}} \in \mathbb{R}^{\hat{n} \times (m - \hat{n})}$ , Gill *et al.* [9]. This is a modified QT factorization, as only  $\tilde{\mathbf{T}}$  in  $\mathbf{T}$  is lower triangular.

The part of the QT factorization which corresponds to the free variables consists of  $\tilde{\mathbf{Q}}$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{T}}$ . From (5.4) it is clear that this is the only part that needs to be updated whenever a constraint is appended to or removed from the active set. The details of how these updates are carried out can be found in Gill *et al.* [9] but the basic idea is similar to the one described in chapter 3. The QT structure is obtained using givens rotations on specific parts of the modified QT factorization after appending or removing a constraint.

We have implemented these updates. To find out how performance may be improved we have plotted the computational speed when solving the quadruple tank problem with  $N = 200$ , defining 1200 variables and 4800 constraints. We tested both the null space procedure with the factorization update as described in chapter 3 and the null space procedure with factorization update based on fixed and free variables. From figure 5.2 it is clear that the recent update has made a great improvement in computational time. But of course the improvement is dependent on the number of active bounds in the specific problem.



(a) Computational time for solving the KKT system plotted for each iteration. Null space update 2 is the new update based on fixed and free variables.

(b) The number of active bounds and active general constraints and the sum of the two plotted at each iteration.

Figure 5.2: Computational time and the corresponding number of active bounds and active general constraints plotted for each iteration when solving the quadruple tank problem with  $N=200$ , (1200 variables and 4800 constraints). The problem is solved using both the null space update and the null space update based on fixed and free variables.

### 5.3 Corresponding Constraints

In our implementation we only consider inequality constraints, and they are organized as shown in (5.1), where bounds and general constraints are connected in pairs. So all constraints, by means all bounds and all general constraints together, indexed  $i$ , are organized in  $\mathcal{I}$  as follows

$$i \in \mathcal{I} = \underbrace{\{1, 2, \dots, n\}}_{x \geq l} \quad (5.5)$$

$$\underbrace{\{n + 1, n + 2, \dots, 2n\}}_{-x \geq -u} \quad (5.6)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n + 1, 2n + 2, \dots, 2n + m_{gc}\}}_{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_l} \quad (5.7)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n + m_{gc} + 1, 2n + m_{gc} + 2, \dots, 2n + 2m_{gc}\}}_{-\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq -b_u} \quad (5.8)$$

and the corresponding pairs, indexed  $p$ , are then organized in  $\mathcal{P}$  in the following manner

$$p \in \mathcal{P} = \underbrace{\{n+1, n+2, \dots, 2n\}}_{-x \geq -u}, \quad (5.9)$$

$$\underbrace{\{1, 2, \dots, n\}}_{x \geq l}, \quad (5.10)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n + m_{gc} + 1, 2n + m_{gc} + 2, \dots, 2n + 2m_{gc}\}}_{-\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq -b_u}, \quad (5.11)$$

$$\underbrace{\{2n+1, 2n+2, \dots, 2n+m_{gc}\}}_{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_l}. \quad (5.12)$$

$$(5.13)$$

Unbounded variables and unbounded general constraints, where the upper and/or lower limits are  $\pm\infty$  respectively, are never violated. So they are not considered, when  $\mathcal{I}$  and  $\mathcal{P}$  are initialized. E.g. if  $l_2 = -\infty$ , then  $i = 2$  will not exist in  $\mathcal{I}$ , and  $p_2 = n + 2$  will not exist in  $\mathcal{P}$ .

In practice, the primal and the dual active set methods are implemented using two sets, the active set given as the working set  $\mathcal{W}_k$  and the inactive set  $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ . When a constraint  $j \in \mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$  becomes active, it is appended to the active set

$$\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \cup \{j\} \quad (5.14)$$

and because two corresponding inequality constraints cannot be active at the same time, it is removed together with its corresponding pair  $p_j \in \mathcal{P}$  from the inactive set as follows

$$\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{j, p_j\}. \quad (5.15)$$

When it becomes inactive it is removed from the active set

$$\mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \mathcal{W}_k \setminus \{j\} \quad (5.16)$$

and appended to the inactive set together with its corresponding pair

$$\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_{k+1} = \{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \cup \{j, p_j\}. \quad (5.17)$$

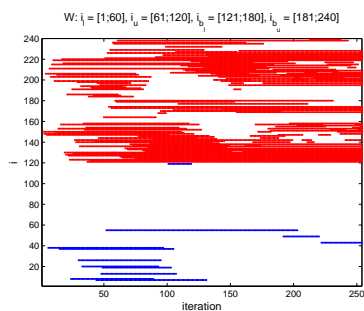
So by using corresponding pairs, we have two constraints less to examine feasibility for, every time a constraint is found to be active.

Besides the gain of computational speed, the stability of the dual active set method is also increased. Equality constraints are given as two inequalities with the same value as upper and lower limits. So because of numerical instabilities, the method tends to append corresponding constraints to the active set, when it is close to the solution. If this is the case, the constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  becomes linearly depended, and the dual active set method terminates because of infeasibility. But by removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set, this problem will never occur. The primal active set method will always find the solution before the possibility of two corresponding constraints becomes active simultaneously, so for this method we gain computational speed only.

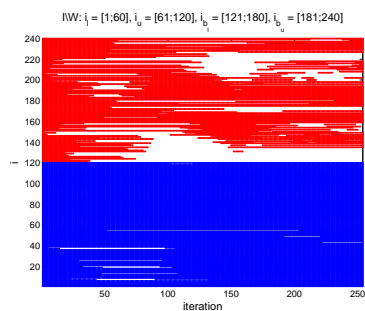
The quadruple tank problem is now solved, see figure 5.3, without removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set - so only the active constraints are removed.

In figure 5.3(a) and 5.3(b) we see the indices of the constraints of the active set  $\mathcal{W}_k$  and the inactive set  $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$  respectively. Not surprisingly it is seen, that the constraints currently in the active set are missing in the inactive set. Also in figure 5.3(c) and 5.3(d) we see, that the relation between the number of constraints in the active set and the number of constraints in the inactive set as expected satisfy

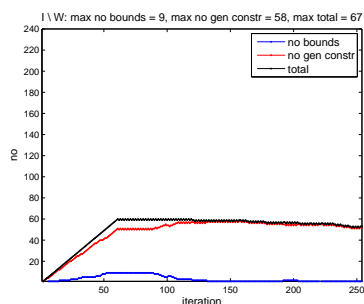
$$|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k| = |\mathcal{I}|. \quad (5.18)$$



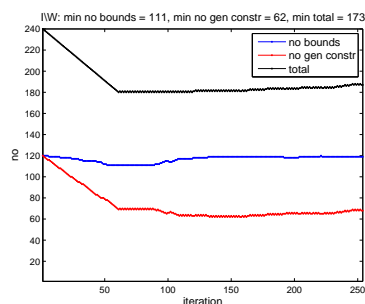
(a) Indices of active bounds (blue) and active general constraints (red) per iteration.



(b) Indices of inactive bounds (blue) and inactive general constraints (red) per iteration.



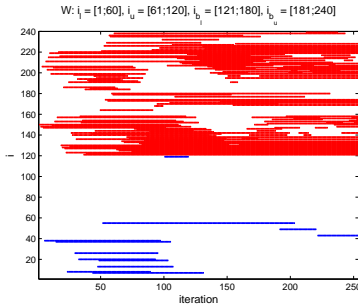
(c) Number of active bounds and general constraints per iteration.



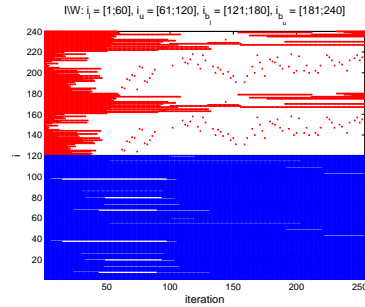
(d) Number of inactive bounds and general constraints per iteration.

Figure 5.3: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem using the primal active set method with  $N = 10$ , so  $n = 60$  and  $|\mathcal{I}| = 240$ , without removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set  $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ .

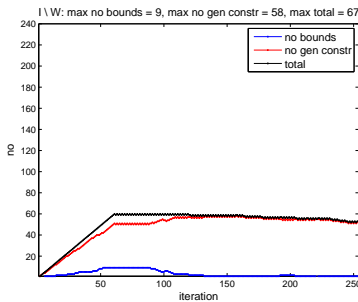
The quadruple tank problem is now solved again, see figure 5.4, but this time we remove the corresponding pairs from the inactive set as well.



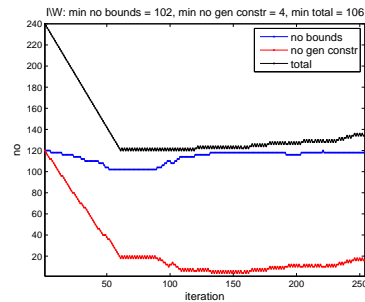
(a) Indices of active bounds (blue) and active general constraints (red) per iteration.



(b) Indices of inactive bounds (blue) and inactive general constraints (red) per iteration.



(c) Number of active bounds and general constraints per iteration.



(d) Number of inactive bounds and general constraints per iteration.

Figure 5.4: The process of solving the quadruple tank problem using the primal active set method with  $N = 10$ , so  $n = 60$  and  $|\mathcal{I}| = 240$ , showing the effect of removing the corresponding pairs from the inactive set  $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ .

In figure 5.4(a) the indices of the constraints in the active set  $\mathcal{W}_k$  are the same as before the removal of the corresponding pairs. And in figure 5.4(b) we now see, that all active constraints and their corresponding pairs are removed from the inactive set  $\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k$ , and the set is seen to be much more sparse. The new relation between the number of constraints in the active set and the number of constraints in the inactive set is seen in figure 5.4(c) and 5.4(d). And the indices of the constraints in the inactive set, when we also remove the corresponding pairs, are found to be  $\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}, i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ . So now we have the new relation



described as follows

$$2|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{I}|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (5.19)$$

The size of  $\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}, i \in \mathcal{W}_k$  is found by combining (5.18) and (5.19) as follows

$$2|\mathcal{W}_k| + |\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{W}_k| + |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k \quad (5.20)$$

which leads to

$$|\{\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k\} \setminus \{p_i\}| = |\mathcal{I} \setminus \mathcal{W}_k| - |\mathcal{W}_k|, \quad i \in \mathcal{W}_k. \quad (5.21)$$

So we see, that the inactive set overall is reduced twice the size of the active set by also removing all corresponding constraints  $p_i, i \in \mathcal{W}_k$ , from the inactive set. This is also seen by comparing figure 5.4(c) and 5.3(c).

## 5.4 Distinguishing Between Bounds and General Constraints

In both the primal and the dual active set methods some computations involving the constraints are made, e.g. checking the feasibility of the constraints. All constraints in  $\mathcal{I}$  are divided into bounds and general constraints, and via the indices  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  it is easy to distinguish, if a constraint is a bound or a general constraint. This can be exploited to gain some computational speed, since computations regarding a bound only involve the fixed variable, and therefore it is very cheap to carry out.



# Nonlinear Programming

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In this chapter we will investigate how nonlinear convex programs with nonlinear constraints can be solved by solving a sequence of QP's. The nonlinear program is solved using Newton's method and the calculation of a Newton step can be formulated as a QP and found using a QP solver. As Newton's method solves a nonlinear program by a sequence of Newton steps, this method is called sequential quadratic programming (SQP).

## 6.1 Sequential Quadratic Programming

Each step of Newton's method is found by solving a QP. The theory is based on the work of Nocedal and Wright [14] and Jørgensen [15]. To begin with, we will focus on solving the equality constrained nonlinear program

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) \tag{6.1a}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad h(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0} \tag{6.1b}$$

where  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $h(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . This is done using the corresponding Lagrangian

function

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}^T h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.2)$$

The optimum is found by solving the corresponding KKT system

$$\nabla_x L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0} \quad (6.3a)$$

$$\nabla_y L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = -h(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}. \quad (6.3b)$$

The KKT system is written as a system of nonlinear equations as follows

$$\begin{aligned} F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ F_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_x L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ \nabla_y L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.4)$$

Newton's method is used to solve this system. Newton's method approximates the root of a given function  $g(\mathbf{x})$  by taking successive steps in the direction of  $\nabla g(\mathbf{x})$ . A Newton step is calculated like this

$$g(\mathbf{x}^k) + J(\mathbf{x}^k)\Delta\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}, \quad J(\mathbf{x}^k) = \nabla g(\mathbf{x}^k)^T. \quad (6.5)$$

As we want to solve (6.4) using Newton's method, we need the gradient of  $F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \nabla \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ F_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}_2} \\ \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_1} & \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}_2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (6.6)$$

where  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is the Hessian of  $L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$

$$\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla^2 f(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \nabla^2 h_i(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.7)$$

Because  $\nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is symmetric we know that  $J(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})^T = \nabla F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ , and therefore Newton's method (6.5) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \Delta \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.8)$$

This system is the KKT system of the following QP

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T (\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})) \Delta \mathbf{x} + (\nabla_x L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}))^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.9a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} = -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.9b)$$

This is clearly a QP and the optimum  $(\Delta \mathbf{x}^T, \Delta \mathbf{y}^T)$  from (6.8) is found by using a QP-solver, e.g. the one implemented in this thesis, see appendix B.

The system (6.8) can be expressed in a simpler form, by replacing  $\Delta \mathbf{y}$  with  $\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{y}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} \quad (6.10)$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.11)$$

This means that (6.8) can be reformulated as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \boldsymbol{\mu} \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}, \quad (6.12)$$

and the corresponding QP is

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Delta \mathbf{x} + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.13a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} = -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.13b)$$

As Newton's method approximates numerically, a sequence of Newton iterations is thus necessary to find an acceptable solution. At every iteration the improving direction is found as the solution of the QP (6.13), and therefore the process is called sequential quadratic programming. Whenever  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is positive definite and  $\nabla h(\mathbf{x})$  has full column rank, the solution to (6.13) can be found using either the range space procedure or the null space procedure. Also, if the program (6.1) is extended to include inequalities

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad f(\mathbf{x}) \quad (6.14a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad h(\mathbf{x}) \geq \mathbf{0} \quad (6.14b)$$

then the program, that defines the Newton step is an inequality constrained QP of the form

$$\min_{\Delta \mathbf{x}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \Delta \mathbf{x}^T \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \Delta \mathbf{x} + \nabla f(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \quad (6.15a)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T \Delta \mathbf{x} \geq -h(\mathbf{x}). \quad (6.15b)$$

When  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  is positive definite and  $\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T$  has full column rank the solution to this program can be found using either the primal active set method or the dual active set method.

## 6.2 SQP by example

In this section our SQP implementation will be tested and each Newton step will be illustrated graphically. The nonlinear program that we want to solve is

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & f(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^4 + x_2^4 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_2 \geq x_1^2 - x_1 + 1 \\ & x_2 \geq x_1^2 - 4x_1 + 6 \\ & x_2 \leq -x_1^2 + 3x_1 + 2. \end{aligned}$$

The procedure is to minimize the corresponding Lagrangian function

$$L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = f(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{y}^T h(\mathbf{x}) \quad (6.17)$$

where  $\mathbf{y}$  are the Lagrangian multipliers and  $h(\mathbf{x})$  are the function values of the constraints. This is done by using Newton's method to find the solution of

$$\begin{aligned} F(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &= \begin{pmatrix} F_1(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ F_2(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_x L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \\ \nabla_y L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.18)$$

A Newton step is defined by the following QP

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) & -\nabla h(\mathbf{x}) \\ -\nabla h(\mathbf{x})^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{x} \\ \Delta \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla h(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{y} \\ -h(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6.19)$$

In this example we have calculated the analytical Hessian matrix  $\nabla_{xx}^2 L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  of (6.17) to make the relation (6.19) exact, even though a BFGS update by Powell [16] has been implemented. This is done for illustrational purpose alone, as we want to plot each Newton step in  $F_{1_1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  and  $F_{1_2}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  from (6.18) in relation

to the improving direction. The analytical Hessian matrix can be very expensive to evaluate, and therefore the BFGS approximation is usually preferred. When the improving direction  $[\Delta \mathbf{x}, \Delta \mathbf{y}]^T$  has been found by solving (6.19), the step size  $\alpha$  is calculated in a line search function implemented according to the one suggested by Powell [16].

**Iteration 1**

We start at position  $(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = ([-4, -4]^T, [0, 0, 0]^T)$  with the corresponding Lagrangian function value  $L(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = 512$ . The first Newton step leads us to  $(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = ([-0.6253, -2.4966]^T, [0, 32.6621, 0]^T)$  with  $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$ , and the path is illustrated in figure 6.1(a). In figures 6.1(b) and 6.1(c)  $F_{1_1}$  and  $F_{1_2}$  are plotted in relation to the step size  $\alpha$ , where the red line illustrates the step taken. We have plotted  $F_{1_1}$  and  $F_{1_2}$  for  $\alpha \in [-1, 3]$  even though the line search function returns  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . In figures 6.1(b) and 6.1(c),  $\alpha = 0$  is the position before the step is taken and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  where the red line ends illustrates the position after taking the step. It is clear from the figures, that a full step ( $\alpha = 1$ ) is taken and that  $F_{1_1}$  and  $F_{1_2}$  increase from  $-256$  to  $-172.4725$ , and  $-256$  to  $-94.9038$ , respectively.

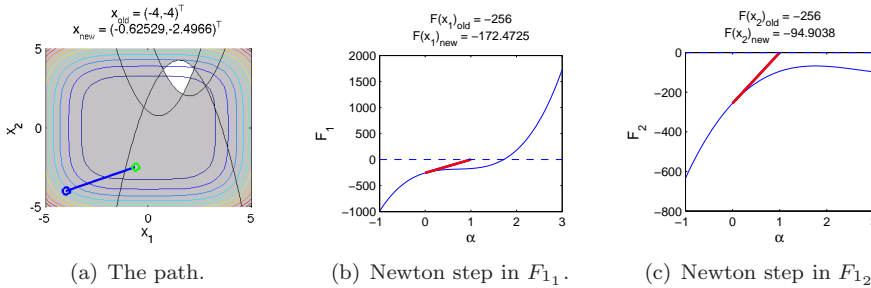


Figure 6.1: The Newton step at iteration 1.  $L(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{y}_0) = 512$  and  $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$ .

**Iteration 2**

Having taken the second step the position is  $(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = ([1.3197, -1.3201]^T, [0, 25.7498, 0]^T)$  as seen in figure 6.2(a). The Lagrangian function value is  $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$ . The step size is  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $F_{1_1}$  increases from  $-172.4725$  to  $-25.8427$  and  $F_{1_2}$  increases from  $-94.9038$  to  $-34.9515$  as seen in figures 6.2(b) and 6.2(c).



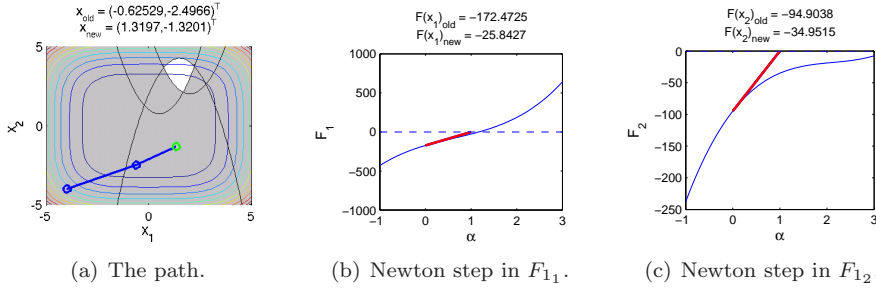


Figure 6.2: The Newton step at iteration 2.  $L(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1) = 410.9783$  and  $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$ .

### Iteration 3

After the third step, the position is  $(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = ([1.6667, 1.9907]^T, [15.7893, 44.2432, 0]^T)$ , see figure 6.3(a). The Lagrangian function value is  $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$ . Again the step size is  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $F_{11}$  increases from  $-25.8427$  to  $25.8647$  and  $F_{12}$  increases from  $-34.9515$  to  $-28.4761$  as seen in figure 6.3(b) and 6.3(c).

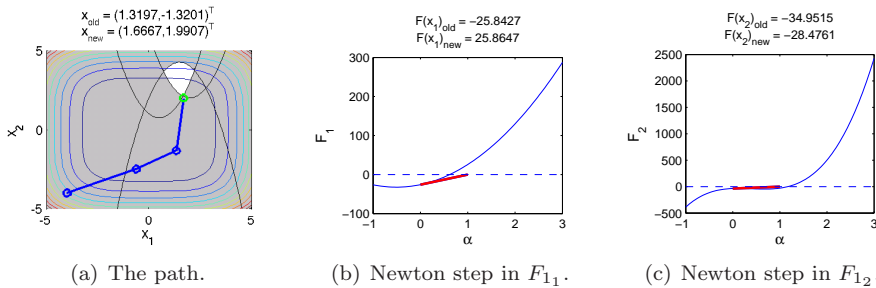


Figure 6.3: The Newton step at iteration 3.  $L(\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{y}_2) = 103.4791$  and  $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$ .

### Iteration 4

The fourth step takes us to  $(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = ([1.6667, 2.1111]^T, [2.1120, 35.1698, 0]^T)$ , see figure 6.4(a). The Lagrangian function value is  $L(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = 27.5790$ . The step size is  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $F_{11}$  decreases from  $25.8647$  to  $-3.55271e-15$  and  $F_{12}$  increases from  $-28.4761$  to  $0.3533$  as seen in figures 6.4(b) and 6.4(c). Even though refinements can be made by taking more steps we stop the algorithm at the optimal position  $(\mathbf{x}^*, \mathbf{y}^*) = (\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = ([1.6667, 2.1111]^T, [2.1120, 35.1698, 0]^T)$  where the optimal value is  $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = 27.5790$ .

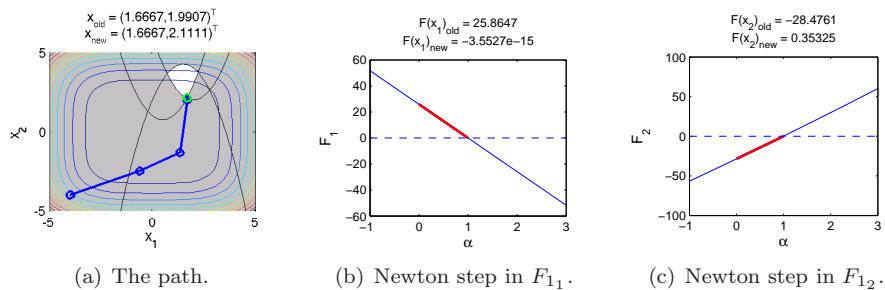


Figure 6.4: The Newton step at iteration 4.  $L(\mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{y}_3) = 30.6487$  and  $L(\mathbf{x}_4, \mathbf{y}_4) = 27.5790$ .

An interactive demo application `SQP_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

# Conclusion

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In this thesis we have investigated the active set methods, together with the range and null space procedures which are used in solving QP's. We have also focused on refining the methods and procedures in order to gain efficiency and reliability. Now we will summarize the most important observations found in the thesis.

The primal active set method is the most intuitive method. However, it has two major disadvantages. Firstly, it requires a feasible starting point, which is not trivial to find. Secondly and most crucially, is the possibility of cycling. The dual active set method does not suffer from these drawbacks. The method easily computes the starting point itself, and furthermore convergence is guaranteed. On the other hand, the primal active set method has the advantage of only requiring the Hessian matrix to be positive semi definite.

The range space and the null space procedures are equally good. But, where the range space procedure is fast, the null space procedure is slow and vice versa. Thus, in practice the choice of method is problem specific. For problems consisting of a small number of active constraints in relation to the number of variables, the range space procedure is preferable. And for problems with a large number active constraints compared to the number of variables, the null space procedure is to be preferred. If the nature of the problem potentially allows a large number of constraints in comparison to the number of variables, then, to

gain advantage of both procedures, it is necessary to shift dynamically between them. This can easily be done by comparing the number of active constraints against the number of variables e.g. for each iteration. However, this requires a theoretically predefined relation pointing at when to shift between the range space and the null space procedures. This relation can as mentioned be found in theory, but in practice it also relies on the way standard MATLAB functions are implemented, the architecture of the processing unit, memory access etc., and therefore finding this relation in practice is more complicated than first assumed.

By using Givens rotations, the factorizations used to solve the KKT system can be updated instead of completely recomputed. And as the active set methods solve a sequence of KKT systems, the total computational savings are significant. The null space procedure in particular has become more efficient. These updates have been further refined by distinguishing bounds, i.e. fixed variables, from general constraints. The greater fraction of active bounds compared to active general constraints, the smaller the KKT system gets and vice versa. Therefore, this particular update is of the utmost importance, when the QP contains potentially many active bounds.

The SQP method is useful in solving nonlinear constrained programs. It is founded in Newton steps. The SQP solver is based on a sequence of Newton steps, where each single step is solved as a QP. So a fast and reliable QP solver is essential in the SQP method. The QP solver which has been developed in the thesis, see appendix B, has proved successful in fulfilling this task.

## 7.1 Future Work

**Dynamic Shift** Implementation of dynamic shift between the range space and null space procedures would be interesting, because computational speed could be gained this way.

**Low Level Language** Our QP solver has been implemented in MATLAB, and standard MATLAB functions such as `chol` and `qr` have been used. In future works, implementation in Fortran or C++ would be preferable. This would make the performance tests of the different methods more reliable. Implementation in any low level programming language may be expected to improve general performance significantly. Furthermore, any theoretically computed performances may also be expected to hold in practice.

**Precomputed Active Set** The dual active set method requires the Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  of the objective function to be positive definite, as it computes

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the starting point  $\mathbf{x}_0$  by use of the inverse Hessian matrix:  $\mathbf{x}_0 = -\mathbf{G}^{-1}\mathbf{g}$ . The primal active set method using the null space procedure only requires the reduced Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{G}\mathbf{Z}$  to be positive definite. In many problems it is possible to find an active set which makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite even if the Hessian matrix is positive semi definite. In future works the LP solver which finds the starting point to the primal active set method should be designed so that it also finds the active set which makes the reduced Hessian matrix positive definite. This extension would give the primal active set method an advantage compared to the dual active set method.



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# Quadruple Tank Process

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The quadruple tank process Jørgensen [17] is a system of four tanks, which are connected through pipes as illustrated in figure A.1. Water from a main-tank is transported around the system and the flow is controlled by the pumps  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ . The optimization problem is to stabilize the water level in tank 1 and 2 at some level, called set points illustrated as a red line. Values  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  of the two valves control how much water is pumped directly into tank 1 and 2 respectively. The valves are constant, and essential for the ease with which the process is controlled.

The dynamics of the quadruple tank process are described in the following differential equations

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_1}{A_1} F_1 + \frac{a_3}{A_1} \sqrt{2gh_3} - \frac{a_1}{A_1} \sqrt{2gh_1} \quad (\text{A.1a})$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_2}{A_2} F_2 + \frac{a_4}{A_2} \sqrt{2gh_4} - \frac{a_2}{A_2} \sqrt{2gh_2} \quad (\text{A.1b})$$

$$\frac{dh_3}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_2}{A_3} F_2 - \frac{a_3}{A_3} \sqrt{2gh_3} \quad (\text{A.1c})$$

$$\frac{dh_4}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_1}{A_4} F_1 - \frac{a_4}{A_4} \sqrt{2gh_4} \quad (\text{A.1d})$$

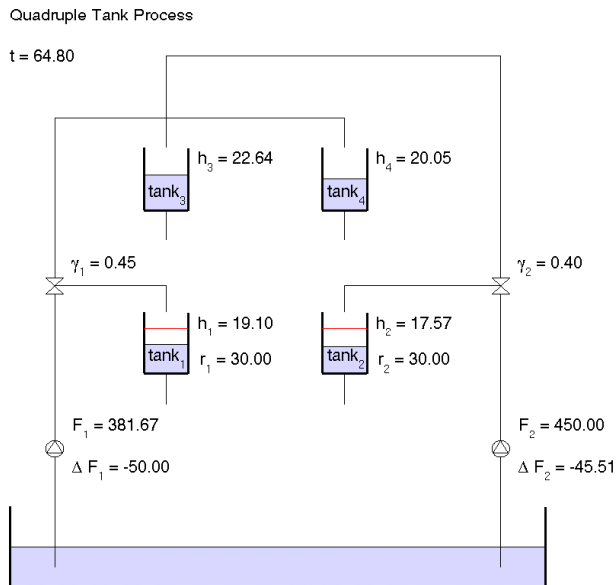


Figure A.1: Quadruple Tank Process.

where  $A_i$  is the cross sectional area,  $a_i$  is the area of outlet pipe,  $h_i$  is the water level of tank no.  $i$ ,  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  are flow distribution constants of the two valves,  $g$  is acceleration of gravity and  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  are the two rate of flows. As the QP solver requires the constraints to be linear we need to linearize the equations in (A.1). Of course this linearization causes the model to be a much more coarse approximation, but as the purpose is to build a convex QP for testing, this is of no importance. The linearizations are

$$\frac{dh_1}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_1}{A_1} F_1 + \frac{a_3}{A_1} 2gh_3 - \frac{a_1}{A_1} 2gh_1 \quad (\text{A.2a})$$

$$\frac{dh_2}{dt} = \frac{\gamma_2}{A_2} F_2 + \frac{a_4}{A_2} 2gh_4 - \frac{a_2}{A_2} 2gh_2 \quad (\text{A.2b})$$

$$\frac{dh_3}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_2}{A_3} F_2 - \frac{a_3}{A_3} 2gh_3 \quad (\text{A.2c})$$

$$\frac{dh_4}{dt} = \frac{1 - \gamma_1}{A_4} F_1 - \frac{a_4}{A_4} 2gh_4. \quad (\text{A.2d})$$

This system of equations is defined as the function

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) = f(\mathbf{x}(t), \mathbf{u}(t)), \quad \mathbf{x} = [h_1 \ h_2 \ h_3 \ h_4]^T, \quad \mathbf{u} = [F_1 \ F_2]^T \quad (\text{A.3})$$

which is discretized using Euler

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{x}(t) \simeq \frac{\mathbf{x}(t_{k+1}) - \mathbf{x}(t_k)}{t_{k+1} - t_k} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}_k}{\Delta t} = f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) \quad (\text{A.4a})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta t f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) \quad (\text{A.4b})$$

$$F(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k, \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{x}_k + \Delta t f(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k) - \mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{0}. \quad (\text{A.4c})$$

The function  $F(\mathbf{x}_k, \mathbf{u}_k, \mathbf{x}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{0}$  defines four equality constraints, one for each height in  $\mathbf{x}$ . As the time period is discretized into  $N$  time steps, this gives  $4N$  equality constraints. Because each equality constraint is defined as two inequality constraints of identical value, as lower and upper bound, (A.4) defines  $8N$  inequality constraints, called general constraints.

To make the simulation realistic we define bounds on each variable

$$\mathbf{u}_{min} \leq \mathbf{u}_k \leq \mathbf{u}_{max} \quad (\text{A.5a})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{min} \leq \mathbf{x}_k \leq \mathbf{x}_{max} \quad (\text{A.5b})$$

which gives  $2N(|\mathbf{u}| + |\mathbf{x}|) = 12N$  inequality constraints, called bounds. We have also defined restrictions on how much the rate of flows can change between two time steps

$$\Delta \mathbf{u}_{min} \leq \mathbf{u}_k - \mathbf{u}_{k-1} \leq \Delta \mathbf{u}_{max} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

in addition this gives  $2N|\mathbf{u}| = 4N$  inequality constraints, also general constraints.

The objective function which we want to minimize is

$$\min \frac{1}{2} \int ((h_1(t) - r_1)^2 + (h_2(t) - r_2)^2) dt \quad (\text{A.7})$$

where  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are the set points. The exact details of how the system is set up as a QP can be found in either Jørgensen [17] or our MATLAB implementation `quad_tank_demo.m`. The quadruple tank process defines an inequality constrained convex QP of  $(|\mathbf{u}| + |\mathbf{x}|)N = 6N$  variables and  $(8 + 12 + 4)N = 24N$  inequality constraints consisting of  $12N$  bounds and  $12N$  general constraints.

### Quadruple Tank Process by example

Now we will set up a test example of the quadruple tank problem. For this we use the following settings

$$\begin{aligned} t &= [0, 360] \\ N &= 100 \\ \mathbf{u}_{min} &= [0, 0]^T \\ \mathbf{u}_{max} &= [500, 500]^T \\ \Delta \mathbf{u}_{min} &= [-50, -50]^T \\ \Delta \mathbf{u}_{max} &= [50, 50]^T \\ \mathbf{u}_0 &= [0, 0]^T \\ \gamma_1 &= 0.45 \\ \gamma_2 &= 0.40 \\ r_1 &= 30 \\ r_2 &= 30 \\ \mathbf{x}_{min} &= [0, 0, 0, 0]^T \\ \mathbf{x}_{max} &= [40, 40, 40, 40]^T \\ \mathbf{x}_0 &= [0, 0, 0, 0]^T. \end{aligned}$$

This defines an inequality constrained convex QP with  $6 * 100 = 600$  variables and  $24 * 100 = 2400$  constraints. The solution to the problem is found by using our QP solver, see appendix B. The solution is illustrated in figure A.2, where everything is seen to be as expected. We have also written a program `quad_tank_plot.m` for visualizing the solution of the quadruple tank problem as an animation. In figure A.3 to A.8 we have illustrated the solution  $\mathbf{x}_k^*$  and  $\mathbf{u}_k^*$  for  $k \in \{1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 60, 80, 100\}$  using `quad_tank_plot.m`.

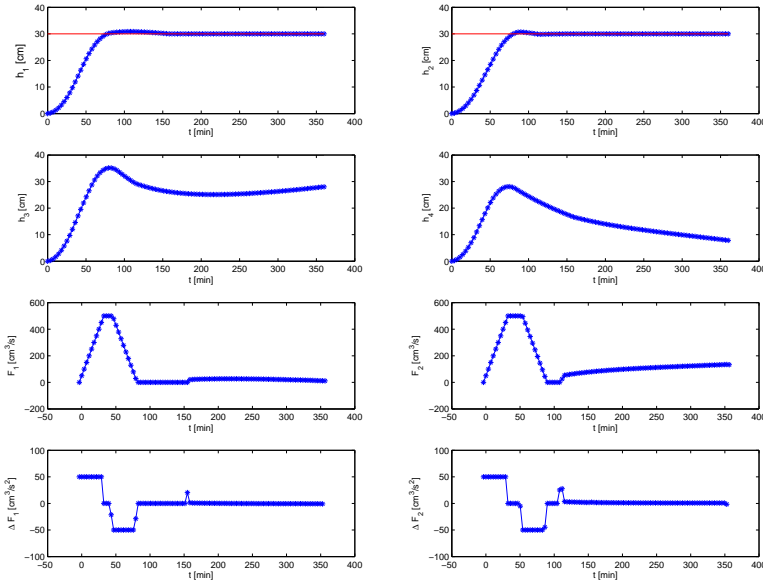
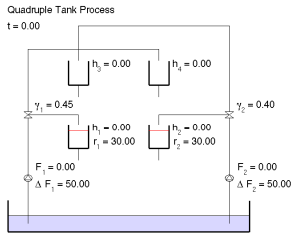
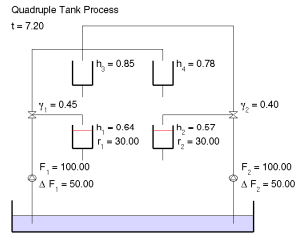


Figure A.2: The solution of the quadruple tank problem found by using our QP solver. It is seen that the water levels in tank 1 and 2 are stabilized around the setpoints. The water levels in tank 3 and 4, the two flows  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  and the difference in flow between time steps  $\Delta F_1$  and  $\Delta F_2$  are also plotted.

An interactive demo application `quad_tank_demo.m` is found in appendix D.5.

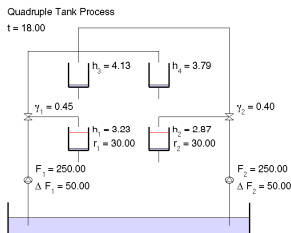


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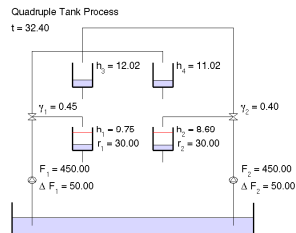


(b)  $k = 3$

Figure A.3: discretization  $k = 1$  and  $k = 3$ .

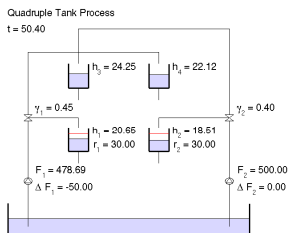


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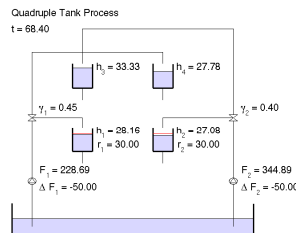


(b)  $k = 10$

Figure A.4: discretization  $k = 6$  and  $k = 10$ .

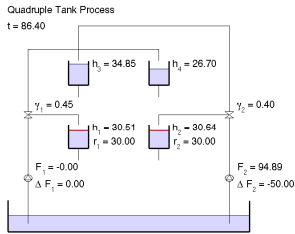
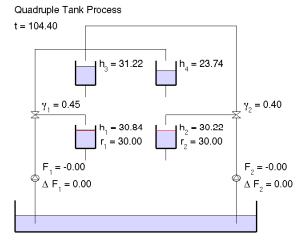
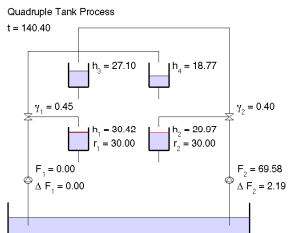
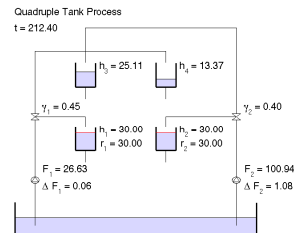
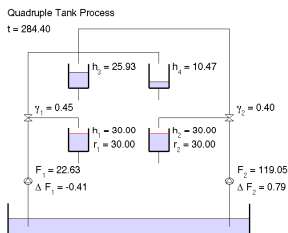
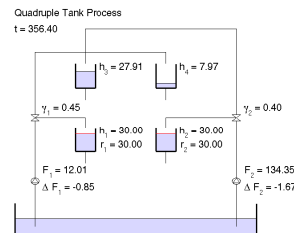


(a)  $k = 15$



(b)  $k = 20$

Figure A.5: discretization  $k = 15$  and  $k = 20$ .

(a)  $k = 25$ (b)  $k = 30$ Figure A.6: discretization  $k = 25$  and  $k = 30$ .(a)  $k = 40$ (b)  $k = 60$ Figure A.7: discretization  $k = 40$  and  $k = 60$ .(a)  $k = 80$ (b)  $k = 100$ Figure A.8: discretization  $k = 60$  and  $k = 100$ .





## APPENDIX B

# QP Solver Interface

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Our QP solver is implemented in MATLAB as `QP_solver.m`, and it is founded on the following structure

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{G} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{g}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (\text{B.1a})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad l_i \leq x_i \leq u_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (\text{B.1b})$$

$$(b_l)_i \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq (b_u)_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m \quad (\text{B.1c})$$

where  $f$  is the objective function. The number of bounds is  $2n$  and the number of general constraints is  $2m$ . This means, that we have upper and lower limits on every bound and on every general constraint. The MATLAB interface of the QP solver is constructed as follows

```
x = QP_solver(G, g, l, u, A, bl, bu, x).
```

The input parameters of the QP solver are described in table B.1.

- G The Hessian matrix  $\mathbf{G} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  of the objective function.
- g The linear term  $\mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of the objective function.
- l The lower limits  $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of bounds.
- u The upper limits  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of bounds.
- A The constraint matrix  $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_i^T]_{i=1,2,\dots,m}$ , so  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .
- b1 The lower limits  $\mathbf{b}_l \in \mathbb{R}^m$  of general constraints.
- bu The upper limits  $\mathbf{b}_u \in \mathbb{R}^m$  of general constraints.
- x A feasible starting point  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  used in the primal active set method. If  $\mathbf{x}$  is not given or empty, then the dual active set method is called within the QP solver.

Table B.1: The input parameters of the QP and the LP solver.

It is possible to define equalities, by means the lower and upper limits are equal, as  $l_i = u_i$  and  $(b_l)_i = (b_u)_i$  respectively. If any of the limits are unbounded, they must be defined as  $-\infty$  for lower limits and  $\infty$  for upper limits. If the QP solver is called with a starting point  $\mathbf{x}$ , then the primal active set method is called within the QP solver. The feasibility of the starting point is checked by the QP solver before the primal active set method is called.

It is possible to find a feasible starting point with our LP solver, which we implemented in MATLAB as `LP_solver.m`. The LP solver is based on (B.1) and the MATLAB function `linprog`. The MATLAB interface of the LP solver is constructed as follows

```
x = LP_solver(l, u, A, b1, bu).
```

The input parameters of the LP solver are described in table B.1.

It must be mentioned, that both the QP and LP solver has some additional input and output parameters. These parameters are e.g. used for tuning and performance analysis of the solvers. For a further description of these parameters we refer to the respective MATLAB help files.

# Implementation

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The algorithms discussed in the thesis have been implemented in MATLAB version 7.3.0.298 (R2006b), August 03, 2006. In the following, we have listed the implemented functions in sections.

## C.1 Equality Constrained QP's

The null space procedure solves an equality constrained QP by using the null space of the constraint matrix, and is implemented in

`null_space.m` .

The range space procedure solves the same problem by using the range space of the constraint matrix, and is implemented in

`range_space.m` .

## C.2 Inequality Constrained QP's

An inequality constrained convex QP can be solved by use of the primal active set method which is implemented in

```
primal_active_set_method.m
```

or the dual active set method

```
dual_active_set_method.m .
```

The active set methods have been integrated in a QP solver that sets up the QP with a set of bounds and a set of general constraints. An interface has been provided that offers different options to the user.

```
QP_solver.m .
```

If the user want to use the primal active set method in the QP solver, a feasible starting point must be calculated. This can be done by using the LP solver

```
LP_solver.m .
```

## C.3 Nonlinear Programming

SQP solves a nonlinear program by solving a sequence of inequality constrained QP's. The SQP solver is implemented in

```
SQP_solver.m .
```

## C.4 Updating the Matrix Factorizations

By updating the matrix factorizations, the efficiency of the null space procedure and the range space procedure can be increased significantly. The following

implementations are used for updating the matrix factorizations used in the null space procedure and the range space procedure. All the updates are based on Givens rotations which are computed in

```
givens_rotation_matrix.m .
```

Update of matrix factorizations used in range space procedure are implemented in the following files

```
range_space_update.m
```

```
qr_fact_update_app_col.m
```

```
qr_fact_update_rem_col.m .
```

And for the null space procedure the matrix updates are implemented in

```
null_space_update.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_app_col.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_rem_col.m .
```

Further optimization of the matrix factorization is done by using updates based on fixed and free variables. These updates have only been implemented for the null space procedure and are found in

```
null_space_updateFRFX.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX.m
```

```
null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX.m
```

## C.5 Demos

For demonstrating the methods and procedures, we have implemented different demonstration functions. The QP solver is demonstrated in

```
QP_demo.m
```

which uses the plot function

```
active_set_plot.m .
```

Among other options the user can choose between the primal active set method and the dual active set method.

The QP solver is also demonstrated on the quadruple tank process in

```
quad_tank_demo.m
```

which uses the plot functions

```
quad_tank_animate.m
```

```
quad_tank_plot.m .
```

Besides having the possibility of adjusting the valves, pumps and the set points individually, the user can vary the size of the QP by the input  $N$ .

The SQP solver is demonstrated on a small two dimensional nonlinear program and the path is visualized at each iteration. The implementation is found in

```
SQP_demo.m .
```

## C.6 Auxiliary Functions

```
add2mat.m .
```

```
line_search_algorithm.m .
```

## APPENDIX D

# Matlab-code

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## D.1 Equality Constrained QP's

null\_space.m

```
1 function [x,u] = null_space(G,A,g,b)
2
3 % NULL_SPACE solves the equality constrained convex QP:
4 %           min 1/2x'Gx+g'x      (G is required to be postive semi
5 % definite)      s.t.   A'x = b      (A is required to have full column
6 % rank)
7 % where the number of variables is n and the number of constraints is m.
8 % The null space of the OP is used to find the solution.
9 %
10 % Call
11 % [x,u] = null_space(G,A,g,b)
12 %
13 % Input parameters
14 % G           : is the Hessian matrix (nxn) of the QP.
15 % A           : is the constraint matrix (nxm): every column contains
16 % a from the equality: a'x = b.
17 % g           : is the gradient (nx1) of the QP.
18 % b           : is the right hand side of the constraints.
19 %
20 % Output parameters
21 % x           : the solution
22 % mu          : the lagrangian multipliers
23 %
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26 %               Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
27 % Supervisor  : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
28 %               Thomsen, Professor.
29 % Date        : 08. february 2007.
30
31 [n,m] = size(A);
32 if ( m~=0 ) % for situations where A is empty
```

```

31     [Q,R] = qr(A);
32     Q1 = Q(:,1:m);
33     Q2 = Q(:,m+1:n);
34     R = R(1:m,:);
35     py = R\b;
36     Q2t = Q2';
37     gz = Q2t*(G*(Q1*py) + g);
38     Gz = Q2t*G*Q2;
39     L = chol(Gz);
40     pz = L\gz;
41     pz = L\pz;
42     x = Q1*py + Q2*pz;
43     u = R\((Q1'(G*x + g)));
44 else
45     x = -G\g;
46     u = [];
47 end

```

### range\_space.m

```

1 function [x mu] = range_space(L,A,g,b)
2 % RANGESPACE solves the equality constrained convex QP:
3 % min 1/2x'Gx+g'x (G is required to be positive
4 % definite) s.t. A'x = b (A is required to have full column
5 % rank)
6 % where the number of variables is n and the number of constraints is m.
7 % The range space of the OP is used to find the solution.
8 % Call
9 % [x,u] = range_space(L,A,g,b)
10 % Input parameters
11 % L : is the cholesky factorization of the Hessian matrix (
12 % nxn) of the QP.
13 % A : is the constraint matrix (nxm): every column contains
14 % a from the equality: a'x = b.
15 % g : is the gradient (nx1) of the QP.
16 % b : is the right hand side of the constraints.
17 % Output parameters
18 % x : the solution
19 % mu : the lagrangian multipliers
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26 % Reference : -----
27 Lt = L';
28 K = Lt\A;
29 H = K'*K;
30 w = Lt\g;
31 z = b+K'*w;
32 M = chol(H);
33 mu = M\z;
34 mu = M\mu;
35 y = K*mu-w;
36 x = L\y;

```



## D.2 Inequality Constrained QP's

primal\_active\_set\_method.m

```

1  function [x,mu,info,perf] = primal_active_set_method(G,g,A,b,x,w_non,dbc,opts,
2      trace)
3  % PRIMAL_ACTIVE_SET_METHOD Solving an inequality constrained QP of the
4  % form:
5  %   min f(x) = 0.5*x'*G*x + g*x
6  %   s.t. A*x >= b,
7  % by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's using the primal
8  % active set method. The method uses the range space procedure or the null
9  % space procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the
10 % null space procedures has been provided with factorization updates.
11 %
12 % Call
13 %   x = primal_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, dbc)
14 %   x = primal_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, dbc, opts)
15 %   [x, mu, info, perf] = primal_active_set_method( ... )
16 %
17 % Input parameters
18 %   G   : The Hessian matrix of the objective function, size nxn.
19 %   g   : The linear term of the objective function, size nx1.
20 %   A   : The constraint matrix holding the constraints, size nxm.
21 %   b   : The right-hand side of the constraints, size mx1.
22 %   x   : Starting point, size nx1.
23 %   w_non : List of inactive constraints, pointing on constraints in A.
24 %   dbc  : List of corresponding constraints, pointing on constraints in
25 %         A. Can be empty.
26 %   opts : Vector with 3 elements:
27 %         opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
28 %                 If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
29 %         opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
30 %         opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
31 %                 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
32 %                   update.
33 %                 3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
34 %                   update based on fixed and free variables. Can only
35 %                   be called, if the inequality constrained QP is
36 %                   setup on the form seen in QP_solver.
37 %         If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
38 %
39 % Output parameters
40 %   x   : The optimal solution.
41 %   mu  : The Lagrange multipliers at the optimal solution.
42 %   info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
43 %         info(1) = final values of the objective function.
44 %         info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
45 %         info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
46 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
47 %   perf : Performance, struct holding:
48 %         perf.x : Values of x, size is nx(it+1).
49 %         perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
50 %         perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
51 %         perf.c : Values of c(x), size is mx(it+1).
52 %         perf.Wa : Active set, size is mx(it+1).
53 %         perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is mx(it+1).
54 %
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62
63 % the size of the constraint matrix, where the constraints are given columnwise
64 % ...
65 [n,m] = size(A);
66 nb = 2*n; % number of bounds
67 ngc = m - nb; % number of general constraints
68
69 % initialize ...
70 z = zeros(m,1);
71 x0 = x;
72 f0 = objective(G,g,x0);
73 mu0 = z;
74 c0 = constraints(A,b,x0);
75 w_act0 = z;
76 w_non0 = (1:1:m)';

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77
78
79 % initialize options...
80 tol = opts(1);
81 it_max = opts(2);
82 method = opts(3);
83 % initialize containers...
84 %trace = (nargout > 3);
85 perf = [];
86 if trace
87     X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max);
88     F = repmat(0,1,it_max);
89     Mu = repmat(z,1,it_max);
90     C = repmat(z,1,it_max);
91     W_act = repmat(z,1,it_max);
92     W_non = repmat(z,1,it_max);
93 end
94
95 % initialize counters...
96 it = 0;
97 Q = []; T = []; L = []; rem = []; % both for null_space_update and for
    null_space_update_FXFR
98
99 if method == 3 % null space with FXFR-update
100     nb1 = n*2; % number of bounds
101 else
102     nb1 = 0;
103 end
104
105 nab = 0; % number of active bounds
106 P = eye(n);
107
108 w_act = [];
109 Q_old = []; T_old = []; L_old = []; rem = [];
110
111 % iterate...
112 stop = 0;
113 while ~stop
114     it = it + 1;
115     if it >= it_max
116         stop = 2; % maximum no iterations exceeded
117     end
118
119     % call range/null space procedure...
120     mu = z;
121
122     if method == 1
123         [p,mu_] = null_space(G,A(:,w_act),G*x+g,zeros(length(w_act),1));
124     end
125
126     if method == 2
127         [p,mu_,Q,T,L] = null_space_update(G,A(:,w_act),G*x+g,zeros(length(w_act),1),Q,T,L,rem);
128     end
129
130     if method == 3
131         Cr = G*x+g;
132         A_ = A(:,w_act(nab+1:end));
133         % adjust C(:,r) to make it correspond to the factorizations of
134         % the Fixed variables (whenever -1 appears at variable i C(:,r)
135         % should change sign)
136         if nab % some bounds are in the active set
137             u_idx = find(w_act > nb1/2 & w_act < nb1+1);
138             var = n-nab+u_idx;
139             Cr(var) = -Cr(var);
140             A_(var,:) = -A_(var,:);
141         end
142         [p,mu_,Q,T,L] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q,T,L,G,A_,Cr,zeros(length(w_act),1),nab,rem-nab);
143
144     end
145
146     mu(w_act) = mu_;
147
148     if norm(p) < tol
149         if mu > -tol
150             stop = 1; % solution found
151         else
152             % compute index j of bound/constraint to be removed...
153             [dummy,rem] = min(mu_);
154             [w_act w_non A P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(rem,A,w_act,w_non,x,P,nb1,nab,n,G,g,perc,b);
155         end
156     else
157         % compute step length and index j of bound/constraint to be appended...
158         [alpha,j] = step_length(A,b,x,p,w_non,nb,n,tol);
159         if alpha < 1

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158         % make constrained step...
159         x = x + alpha*p;
160         [w_act w_non A P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,A,w_act,w_non,x
161             ,P,nb1,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b); % r is index of A
162     else
163         % make full step...
164         x = x + p;
165     end
166 % collecting output in containers...
167 if trace
168     if nb1 % method 3 is used
169         X(:,it) = P'*x;
170     else
171         X(:,it) = x;
172     end
173     F(it) = objective(G,g,x);
174     Mu(:,it) = mu;
175     C(:,it) = constraints(A,b,x);
176     W_act(w_act,it) = w_act;
177     W_non(w_non,it) = w_non;
178 end
179 end
180
181 if nb1 % method 3 is used
182     x = P'*x;
183 end
184
185 % building info...
186 info = [objective(G,g,x) it stop];
187
188 % building perf...
189 if trace
190     X = X(:,1:it); X = [x0 X];
191     F = F(1:it); F = [f0 F];
192     Mu = Mu(:,1:it); Mu = [mu0 Mu];
193     C = C(:,1:it); C = [c0 C];
194     W_act = W_act(:,1:it); W_act = [w_act0 W_act];
195     W_non = W_non(:,1:it); W_non = [w_non0 W_non];
196     perf = struct('x',{X},'f',{F},'mu',{Mu},'c',{C},'Wa',{W_act},'Wi',{W_non});
197 end
198
199 function [alpha,j] = step_length(A,b,x,p,w_non,nb,n,tol)
200 alpha = 1; j = [];
201 for app = w_non
202     if app > nb
203         fv = 1:1:n; % general constraint
204     else
205         fv = mod(app-1,n)+1; % index of fixed variabel
206     end
207     ap = A(fv,app)'*p(fv);
208     if ap < -tol
209         temp = (b(app) - A(fv,app)'*x(fv))/ap;
210         if -tol < temp & temp < alpha
211             alpha = temp; % smallest step length
212             j = app; % index j of bound to be appended
213         end
214     end
215 end
216
217 % function [w_act,w_non] = append_constraint(b,w_act,w_non,j,pbc)
218 % w_act = [w_act j]; % append constraint j to active set
219 % w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % remove constraint j from nonactive set
220 % if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
221 %     w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j))); % remove constraint pbc(j) from
222 % nonactive set, if not unbounded
223 % end
224
225 % function [w_act,w_non] = remove_constraint(b,w_act,w_non,j,pbc)
226 % w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % remove constraint j from active set
227 % w_non = [w_non j]; % append constraint j to nonactive set
228 % if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
229 %     w_non = [w_non pbc(j)]; % append constraint pbc(j) to nonactive set, if
230 % not unbounded
231 % end
232
233 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(wi,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
234     nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b) % wi is index of w_act
235 j = w_act(wi);
236
237 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to
238     reorganize the variables
239     var1 = n-nab+1;
240     var2 = n-nab+wi;
241     temp = C(var1,:);
242     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);

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240     C(var2,:) = temp;
241
242     temp = x(var1);
243     x(var1) = x(var2);
244     x(var2) = temp;
245
246     temp = P(var1,:);
247     P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
248     P(var2,:) = temp;
249
250     temp = G(var1,var1);
251     G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
252     G(var2,var2) = temp;
253
254     temp = g(var1);
255     g(var1) = g(var2);
256     g(var2) = temp;
257     nab = nab - 1;
258
259     temp = w_act(wi);
260     w_act(wi) = w_act(1);
261     w_act(1) = temp;
262     j = w_act(1);
263 end
264 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j));           % bound/ general constraint j is
      removed from active set
265 w_non = [w_non j];                       % bound/ general constraint j
      appended to nonactive set
266
267 if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
268     w_non = [w_non pbc(j)];             % append bound/constraint pbc(j)
      to nonactive set, if not unbounded
269 end
270
271 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
      nb,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b) % j is index of C
272
273 if j < nb+1                             % j is a bound and we have to
      reorganize the variables
274     var1 = find(abs(C(:,j))==1);
275     var2 = n-nab;
276
277     temp = C(var1,:);
278     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);
279     C(var2,:) = temp;
280
281     temp = Q(var1,:);
282     Q(var1,:) = Q(var2,:);
283     Q(var2,:) = temp;
284
285     temp = x(var1);
286     x(var1) = x(var2);
287     x(var2) = temp;
288
289     temp = P(var1,:);
290     P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
291     P(var2,:) = temp;
292
293     temp = G(var1,var1);
294     G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
295     G(var2,var2) = temp;
296
297     temp = g(var1);
298     g(var1) = g(var2);
299     g(var2) = temp;
300     nab = nab + 1;
301     w_act = [j w_act];                 % j (is a bound) is appended to
      active set
302 else
303     w_act = [w_act j];                 % j (is a general constraint)
      is appended to active set
304 end
305 w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j));         % bound/ general constraint j
      is removed from nonactive set
306 if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
307     w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j))); % remove bound/constraint pbc(j)
      from nonactive set, if not unbounded
308 end
309
310 function f = objective(G,g,x)
311 f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;
312
313 function c = constraints(A,b,x)
314 c = A'*x - b;
315
316 function l = lagrangian(G,g,A,b,x,mu)
317 L = objective(G,g,A,b,x,mu) - mu(:)'*constraints(G,g,A,b,x,mu);

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## dual\_active\_set\_method.m

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1 function [x,mu,info,perf] = dual_active_set_method(G,g,C,b,w_non,abc,opts,trace
2 )
3 % DUAL_ACTIVE_SET_METHOD Solving an inequality constrained QP of the
4 % form:
5 %   min f(x) = 0.5*x'*G*x + g*x
6 %   s.t. A*x >= b,
7 % by solving a sequence of equality constrained QP's using the dual
8 % active set method. The method uses the range space procedure or the null
9 % space procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the
10 % null space procedures has been provided with factorization updates.
11 %
12 % Call
13 %   x = dual_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, abc)
14 %   x = dual_active_set_method(G, g, A, b, w_non, abc, opts)
15 %   [x, mu, info, perf] = dual_active_set_method( ... )
16 %
17 % Input parameters
18 %   G : The Hessian matrix of the objective function, size nxn.
19 %   g : The linear term of the objective function, size nx1.
20 %   A : The constraint matrix holding the constraints, size nxm.
21 %   b : The right-hand side of the constraints, size mx1.
22 %   x : Starting point, size nx1.
23 %   w_non : List of inactive constraints, pointing on constraints in A.
24 %   abc : List of corresponding constraints, pointing on constraints in
25 %         A. Can be empty.
26 %   opts : Vector with 3 elements:
27 %         opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
28 %                 If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
29 %         opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
30 %         opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
31 %                 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
32 %                   update.
33 %                 3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
34 %                   update based on fixed and free variables. Can only
35 %                   be called, if the inequality constrained QP is
36 %                   setup on the form seen in QP_solver
37 %                 4 : Using range space procedure.
38 %                 5 : Using range space procedure with factorization
39 %                   update.
40 %         If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
41 %
42 % Output parameters
43 %   x : The optimal solution.
44 %   mu : The Lagrange multipliers at the optimal solution.
45 %   info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
46 %         info(1) = final values of the objective function.
47 %         info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
48 %         info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
49 %                 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
50 %                 3 : Problem is infeasible.
51 %   perf : Performance, struct holding:
52 %         perf.x : Values of x, size is nx(it+1).
53 %         perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
54 %         perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
55 %         perf.c : Values of c(x), size is mx(it+1).
56 %         perf.Wa : Active set, size is mx(it+1).
57 %         perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is mx(it+1).
58 %
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66
67 % initialize options...
68 tol = opts(1);
69 it_max = opts(2);
70 method = opts(3);
71 [n,m] = size(C);
72 z = zeros(m,1);
73
74 % initialize containers...
75 %trace = (nargout > 3);

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76 perf = [];
77 if trace
78     X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max);
79     F = repmat(0,1,it_max);
80     Mu = repmat(z,1,it_max);
81     Con = repmat(z,1,it_max);
82     W_act = repmat(z,1,it_max);
83     W_non = repmat(z,1,it_max);
84 end
85
86 if method == 3 % null space with FXFR-update
87     nb = n*2; % number of bounds
88 else
89     nb = 0;
90 end
91 nab = 0; % number of active bounds
92 P = eye(n);
93
94 x = -G\g;
95 mu = zeros(m,1);
96 w_act = [];
97
98 x0 = x;
99 f0 = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu);
100 mu0 = mu;
101 con0 = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
102 w_act0 = z;
103 w_non0 = (1:1:m)';
104
105 Q = []; T = []; L = []; R = []; rem = []; % both for range- and
% null_space_update and for null_space_update_FXFR
106 if method == 4 || method == 5 % range space or range space update
107     chol_G = chol(G);
108 end
109 it_tot = 0;
110 it = 0;
111 max_itr = it_max;
112 stop = 0;
113
114 while ~stop
115
116     c = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
117     if c >= -tol;%-1e-12%-sqrt(eps) % all elements must be >= 0
118         disp(['//////// itr: ',int2str(it+1),'////////'])
119         % disp('STOP: all inactive constraints >= 0')
120         stop = 1;
121     else
122         % we find the most negative value of c
123         [c_r,r] = min(c);
124         r = w_non(r);
125     end
126
127     it = it + 1;
128     if it >= max_itr % no convergence
129         disp(['//////// itr: ',int2str(it+1),'////////'])
130         disp('STOP: it >= max_itr (outer_while_loop)')
131         stop = 2;
132     end
133
134     it2 = 0;
135     stop2 = max(0,stop);
136     while ~stop2 %c_r < -sqrt(eps)
137         it2 = it2 + 1;
138
139         if method == 1
140             [p,v] = null_space(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),-zeros(length(w_act),1));
141         end
142         if method == 2
143             [p,v,Q,T,L] = null_space_update(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(length(w_act),1),Q,T,L,rem);
144         end
145         if method == 3
146             Cr = C(:,r);
147             A_ = C(:,w_act(nab+1:end));
148             % adjust C(:,r) to make it correspond to the factorizations
% of the
% Fixed variables (whenever -1 appears at variable i C(:,r)i
% should change sign)
149             if nab % some bounds are in the active set
150                 u_idx = find(w_act > nb/2 & w_act < nab+1);
151                 var = n-nab+u_idx;
152                 Cr(var) = -Cr(var);
153                 A_(var,:) = -A_(var,:);
154             end
155             [p,v,Q,T,L] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q,T,L,G,A_,-Cr,zeros(length(w_act),1),nab,rem-nab);
156         end
157     end

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158     if method == 4
159         [p,v] = range_space(chol_G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),-zeros(length(w_act),1));
160     end
161     if method == 5
162         [p,v,Q,R] = range_space_update(chol_G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(
163             length(w_act),1),Q,R,rem);
164     end
165     if isempty(v)
166         v = [];
167     end
168     arp = C(:,r)'*p;
169     if abs(arp) <= tol % linear dependency
170         if v >= 0 % solution does not exist
171             disp(['////////itr: ',int2str(it+1),'-////////'])
172             disp('STOP: v >= 0, PROBLEM IS INFEASIBLE!!!')
173             stop = 3;
174             stop2 = stop;
175         else
176             t = inf;
177             for k = 1:length(v)
178                 if v(k) < 0
179                     temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
180                     if temp < t
181                         t = temp;
182                         rem = k;
183                     end
184                 end
185             end
186             mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t*v;
187             mu(r) = mu(r) + t;
188             % remove linear dependent constraint from A
189             [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(rem,C,w_act,
190                 w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b); % rem is index of w_act
191         end
192     else
193         % stepsize in dual space
194         t1 = inf;
195         for k = 1:length(v)
196             if v(k) < 0
197                 temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
198                 if temp < t1
199                     t1 = temp;
200                     rem = k;
201                 end
202             end
203         end
204         % stepsize in primal space
205         t2 = -constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu)/arp;
206         if t2 <= t1
207             x = x + t2*p;
208             mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t2*v;
209             mu(r) = mu(r) + t2;
210             % append constraint to active set
211             [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(r,C,w_act,
212                 w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b); % r is index of C
213         else
214             x = x + t1*p;
215             mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t1*v;
216             mu(r) = mu(r) + t1;
217             % remove constraint from active set
218             [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(rem,C,w_act,
219                 w_non,x,P,nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b); % rem is index of w_act
220         end
221     end
222     c_r = constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu);
223     if c_r > -tol
224         stop2 = 1; % leave the inner while-loop but doesnt stop the
225             algorithm
226     end
227     if it2 >= max_itr % no convergence (terminate the algorithm)
228         disp(['////////itr: ',int2str(it+1),'-////////'])
229         disp('STOP: it >= max_itr (inner while loop)')
230         stop = 2;
231         stop2 = stop;
232     end
233     % collecting output in containers...
234     if trace
235         if nb % method 3 is used
236             X(:,it) = P'*x;
237         else
238             X(:,it) = x;
239         end
240     end

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239         F(it) = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu);
240         Mu(:,it) = mu;
241         Con(w_non,it) = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
242         W_act(w_act,it) = w_act;
243         W_non(w_non,it) = w_non;
244     end
245 end % while
246 it_tot = it_tot + it2;
247 end % while
248 it_tot = it_tot + it;
249 if nb % method 3 is used
250     x = P'*x;
251     % figure; spy(C(:,w_act)),pause
252 end
253
254 % building info...
255 info = [objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu) it_tot stop];
256 % building perf...
257 if trace
258     X = X(:,1:it); X = [x0 X];
259     F = (1:it); F = [f0 F];
260     Mu = Mu(:,1:it); Mu = [mu0 Mu];
261     Con = Con(:,1:it); Con = [con0 Con];
262     W_act = W_act(:,1:it); W_act = [w_act0 W_act];
263     W_non = W_non(:,1:it); W_non = [w_non0 W_non];
264     perf = struct('x',{X},'f',{F},'mu',{Mu},'c',{Con},'Wa',{W_act},'Wi',{W_non}
    );
265 end
266
267 function c = constraints(G,C,g,b,x,mu)
268 c = C'*x - b;
269
270 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g] = remove_constraint(wi,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
    nb,nab,n,G,g,pbc,b) % wi is index of w_act
271 j = w_act(wi);
272 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to
273     reorganize the variables
274     var1 = n-nab+1;
275     var2 = n-nab+wi;
276     temp = C(var1,:);
277     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);
278     C(var2,:) = temp;
279
280     temp = x(var1);
281     x(var1) = x(var2);
282     x(var2) = temp;
283
284     temp = P(var1,:);
285     P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
286     P(var2,:) = temp;
287
288     temp = G(var1,var1);
289     G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
290     G(var2,var2) = temp;
291
292     temp = g(var1);
293     g(var1) = g(var2);
294     g(var2) = temp;
295     nab = nab - 1;
296
297     temp = w_act(wi);
298     w_act(wi) = w_act(1);
299     w_act(1) = temp;
300     j = w_act(1);
301 end
302 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % bound/ general constraint j is
    removed from active set
303 w_non = [w_non j]; % bound/ general constraint j
    appended to nonactive set
304
305 if ~isempty(pbc)
306     if ~isinf(b(pbc(j)))
307         w_non = [w_non pbc(j)]; % append bound/constraint pbc
            (j) to nonactive set, if not unbounded
308     end
309 end
310
311 function [w_act w_non C P x nab G g Q] = append_constraint(j,C,w_act,w_non,x,P,
    nb,nab,n,G,g,Q,pbc,b) % j is index of C
312 if j < nb+1 % j is a bound and we have to
313     reorganize the variables
314     var1 = find(abs(C(:,j))==1);
315     var2 = n-nab;
316     temp = C(var1,:);
317     C(var1,:) = C(var2,:);

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318     C(var2,:) = temp;
319
320     temp = Q(var1,:);
321     Q(var1,:) = Q(var2,:);
322     Q(var2,:) = temp;
323
324     temp = x(var1);
325     x(var1) = x(var2);
326     x(var2) = temp;
327
328     temp = P(var1,:);
329     P(var1,:) = P(var2,:);
330     P(var2,:) = temp;
331
332     temp = G(var1,var1);
333     G(var1,var1) = G(var2,var2);
334     G(var2,var2) = temp;
335
336     temp = g(var1);
337     g(var1) = g(var2);
338     g(var2) = temp;
339     nab = nab + 1;
340     w_act = [j w_act]; % j (is a bound) is appended to
341                 active set
342 else
343     w_act = [w_act j]; % j (is a general constraint)
344                 is appended to active set
345 end
346 w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % bound/ general constraint j
347                 is removed fom nonactive set
348 if ~isempty(pbc)
349     if ~isempty(b(pbc(j)))
350         w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= pbc(j))); % remove bound/constraint
351                 pbc(j) from nonactive set, if not unbounded
352     end
353 end
354
355 function f = objective(G,C,g,b,x,mu)
356 f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;

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## QP\_solver.m

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1  function [x,info,perf] = QP_solver(H,g,l,u,A,bl,bu,x,opts)
2
3  % QP_SOLVER Solving an inequality constrained QP of the form:
4  %   min f(x) = 0.5*x'*H*x + g*x
5  %   s.t. l <= x <= u
6  %        bl <= A*x <= bu,
7  % using the primal active set method or the dual active set method. The
8  % active set methods uses the range space procedure or the null space
9  % procedure to solve the KKT system. Both the range space and the null
10 % space procedures has been provided with factorization updates. Equality
11 % constraints are defined as l = u and bl = bu respectively.
12
13 % Call
14 %   x = QP_solver(H, g, l, u, A, bl, bu)
15 %   x = QP_solver(H, g, l, u, A, bl, bu, x, opts)
16 %   [x, info, perf] = QP_solver( ... )
17
18 % Input parameters
19 %   H : The Hessian matrix of the objective function.
20 %   g : The linear term of the objective function.
21 %   l : Lower limits of bounds. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
22 %   u : Upper limits of bounds. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
23 %   A : The constraint matrix holding the general constraints as rows.
24 %   bl : Lower limits of general constraints. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
25 %   bu : Upper limits of general constraints. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
26 %   x : Starting point. If x is not given or empty, then the dual active
27 %       set method is used, otherwise the primal active set method is
28 %       used.
29 %   opts : Vector with 3 elements:
30 %         opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
31 %                 If |value| <= opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
32 %         opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
33 %         Primal active set method:
34 %         opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
35 %                 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
36 %                 update.
37 %                 3 : Using null space procedure with factorization

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38 %           update based on fixed and free variables.
39 %           If opts(3) > 3, then opts(3) is set to 3 automatically.
40 %           Dual active set method:
41 %           opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
42 %           2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
43 %           update.
44 %           3 : Using null space procedure with factorization
45 %           update based on fixed and free variables.
46 %           4 : Using range space procedure.
47 %           5 : Using range space procedure with factorization
48 %           update.
49 %           If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 3].
50 %
51 % Output parameters
52 % x : The optimal solution.
53 % info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
54 % info(1) = final values of the objective function.
55 % info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
56 % Primal active set method:
57 % info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
58 %           2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
59 % Dual active set method:
60 % info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
61 %           2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
62 %           3 : Problem is infeasible.
63 % perf : Performance, struct holding:
64 % perf.x : Values of x, size is nx(it+1).
65 % perf.f : Values of the objective function, size is 1x(it+1).
66 % perf.mu : Values of mu, size is nx(it+1).
67 % perf.c : Values of c(x), size is (n+n+m)x(it+1).
68 % perf.Wa : Active set, size is (n+n+m)x(it+1).
69 % perf.Wi : Inactive set, size is (n+n+m)x(it+1).
70 % Size (n+n+m)x(it+1) is referring to indices i_l = 1:n, i_u = (n+1):2
71 % n, i_bl = (2n+1):(2n+m) and i_bu = (2n+m+1):(2n+2m).
72 %
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79 % Date : 07. June 2007.
80 %
81 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
82 % Tune input and gather information %
83 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
84 % Tune...
85 l = l(:); u = u(:);
86 bl = bl(:); bu = bu(:);
87 g = g(:);
88 % Gather...
89 [m,n] = size(A);
90 %
91 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
92 % Set options %
93 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
94 if nargin < 9 | isempty(opts)
95     tol = 1e-8;
96     it_max = 1000;
97     method = 3;
98     opts = [tol it_max method];
99 else
100     opts = opts(:)';
101 end
102 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
103 % Check nargin/nargout %
104 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
105 error(nargchk(7,9,nargin))
106 error(nargoutchk(1,3,nargout))
107 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
108 % Check input/output %
109 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
110 % Check H...
111 sizeH = size(H);
112 if sizeH(1) ~= n | sizeH(2) ~= n
113     error(['Size of A is ',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),' , so A must be of size ',
114           int2str(n),'x',int2str(n),' .'])
115 end
116 Hdifff = H - H';
117 if norm(Hdifff(:),inf) > eps*norm(H(:),inf) % relative check of biggest absolute
118     value in Hdifff
119     error('H must be symmetric. ')
120 end
121 [dummy,p] = chol(H);
122 if p
123     error('H must be positive definite. ')
124 end

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123 % Check g...
124 sizeg = size(g);
125 if sizeg(1) ~= n | sizeg(2) ~= 1
126     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_g_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(n),'_elements.'])
127 end
128 % Check l and u...
129 %l(40,1) = inf; % ???
130 size1 = size(1);
131 if size1(1) ~= n | size1(2) ~= 1
132     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_l_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(n),'_elements.'])
133 end
134 sizeu = size(u);
135 if sizeu(1) ~= n | sizeu(2) ~= 1
136     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_u_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(n),'_elements.'])
137 end
138 for i = 1:n
139     if l(i,1) > u(i,1)
140         error(['l(',int2str(i),'')_must_be_smaller_than_or_equal_to_u(',int2str(
i),'')'])
141     end
142 end
143 % Check b1 and bu...
144 sizeb1 = size(b1);
145 if sizeb1(1) ~= n | sizeb1(2) ~= 1
146     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_b1_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(m),'_elements.'])
147 end
148 sizebu = size(bu);
149 if sizebu(1) ~= n | sizebu(2) ~= 1
150     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_bu_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(m),'_elements.'])
151 end
152 for i = 1:m
153     if b1(i) > bu(i)
154         error(['b1(',int2str(i),'')_must_be_smaller_than_or_equal_to_bu(',
int2str(i),'')'])
155     end
156 end
157 % Check x...
158 if nargin > 7 & ~isempty(x)
159     %opts(1) = 1e-20; % ???
160     feasible = 1;
161     sizeX = size(x);
162     if sizeX(1) ~= n | sizeX(2) ~= 1
163         error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_x_must_be_a_
vector_of_',int2str(n),'_elements.'])
164     end
165     i_l = find(x - 1 < -opts(1)); i_u = find(x - u > opts(1));
166     i_b1 = find(A*x - b1 < -opts(1)); i_bu = find(A*x - bu > opts(1));
167     if ~isempty(i_l)
168         disp(['Following_bound(s)_violated,_because_x_-_l_<_',num2str(-opts(1))
,';_'])
169         fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_l),''],'\n')
170         feasible = 0;
171     end
172     if ~isempty(i_u)
173         disp(['Following_bound(s)_violated,_because_x_-_u_>_',num2str(opts(1)),
,';_'])
174         fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_u),''],'\n')
175         feasible = 0;
176     end
177     if ~isempty(i_b1)
178         disp(['Following_general_constraint(s)_violated,_because_A*x_-_b1_<_',
num2str(-opts(1)),';_'])
179         fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_b1),''],'\n')
180         feasible = 0;
181     end
182     if ~isempty(i_bu)
183         disp(['Following_general_constraint(s)_violated,_because_A*x_-_bu_>_',
num2str(opts(1)),';_'])
184         fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_bu),''],'\n')
185         feasible = 0;
186     end
187     if ~feasible
188         error('Starting_point_for_primal_active_set_method_is_not_feasible.')
189     end
190 end
191 % Check opts...
192 if length(opts) ~= 3
193     error('Options_must_be_a_vector_of_3_elements.')
194 end
195 i = 1;
196 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isinf(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
197     error('opts(1)_must_be_positive.')

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198 end
199 i = 2;
200 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isinf(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0 | mod(opts(
    i),1)
201     error('opts(2) must be a positive integer. ')
202 end
203 i = 3;
204 if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isinf(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 1 | 5 < opts(
    i) | mod(opts(i),1)
205     error('opts(3) must be an integer in range 1 <= value <= 5. ')
206 end
207
208 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
209 % Initialize %
210 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
211 I = eye(n);
212 At = A';
213
214 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
215 % Organize bounds and constraints %
216 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
217 % Convert input structure l <= I*x <= u and bl <= A*x <= bu to C*x >= b, where
    C = [I -I A -A] = [B A] (A = [A -A]) and b = [l -u bl -bu]...
218 B = [I -I]; % l <= I*x <= u --> I*x >= l & -I*x >= -u
219 A = [At -At]; % bl <= A*x <= bu --> A*x >= bl & -A*x >= -bu
220 C = [B A];
221 b = [l; -u; bl; -bu];
222
223 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
224 % Build inactive set and corresponding constraints %
225 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
226 % Initialize inactive set...
227 w_non = 1:1:2*(n+m);
228 % Remove unbounded constraints from inactive set...
229 w_non = w_non(find(~isinf(b)));
230 % Indices of corresponding constraints...
231 cc = [(n+1):1:(2*n) 1:1:n (2*n+m+1):1:2*(n+m) 2*n+1:1:2*n+m]; % w_non = [i_l
    i_u i_bl i_bu] -> cc = [i_u i_l i_bu i_bl]
232
233 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
234 % Startup info %
235 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
236 % Disregarded constraints...
237 %l(40,1) = -inf; % ???
238 i_l = find(isinf(l)); i_u = find(isinf(u));
239 i_bl = find(isinf(bl)); i_bu = find(isinf(bu));
240 if ~isempty(i_l)
241     disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because l is unbounded: ')
242     disp(['i_==[',int2str(i_l'),' '])
243 end
244 if ~isempty(i_u)
245     disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because u is unbounded: ')
246     disp(['i_==[',int2str(i_u'),' '])
247 end
248 if ~isempty(i_bl)
249     disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because bl is unbounded: ')
250     disp(['i_==[',int2str(i_bl'),' '])
251 end
252 if ~isempty(i_bu)
253     disp('Following constraint(s) disregarded, because bu is unbounded: ')
254     disp(['i_==[',int2str(i_bu'),' '])
255 end
256
257 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
258 % Call primal active set or dual active set method %
259 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
260 trace = (nargout > 2); % building perf
261 if nargin < 8 | isempty(x)
262     disp('Calling dual active set method. ')
263     [x,mu,info,perf] = dual_active_set_method(H,g,C,b,w_non,cc,opts,trace);
264 else
265     disp('Starting point is feasible. ')
266     disp('Calling primal active set method. ')
267     if opts(3) > 3
268         opts(3) = 3;
269     end
270     [x,mu,info,perf] = primal_active_set_method(H,g,C,b,x,w_non,cc,opts,trace);
271 end
272 % Display info ...
273 if info(1) == 2
274     disp('No solution found, maximum number of iteration steps exceeded. ')
275 end
276 if info(1) == 3
277     disp('No solution found, problem is unfeasible. ')
278 end
279 disp('QP solver terminated. ')

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## LP\_solver.m

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1 function [x,f,A,b,Aeq,beq,l,u] = LP_solver(l,u,A,bl,bu)
2
3 % LP_SOLVER Finding a feasible point with respect to the constraints of an
4 % inequality constrained QP of the form:
5 %
6 %   min f(x) = 0.5*x'*H*x + g*x
7 %   s.t. l <= x <= u
8 %        bl <= A*x <= bu,
9 %
10 % using the Matlab function linprog. Equality constraints are defined as
11 % l = u and bl = bu respectively.
12 %
13 % Call
14 %   x = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu)
15 %   x = LP_solver(l, u, A, bl, bu, opts)
16 %   [x, f, A, b, Aeq, beq, l, u] = LP_solver( ... )
17 %
18 % Input parameters
19 %   l   : Lower limits of bounds. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
20 %   u   : Upper limits of bounds. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
21 %   A   : The constraint matrix holding the general constraints as rows.
22 %   bl  : Lower limits of general constraints. Set as Inf, if unbounded.
23 %   bu  : Upper limits of general constraints. Set as -Inf, if unbounded.
24 %   opts : Vector with 2 elements:
25 %         opts(1) = Tolerance deciding if constraints are equalities.
26 %                 If |bu - bl| <= opts(1), then constraint is regarded
27 %                 as an equality.
28 %         opts(2) = pseudo-infinity, can be used to replace (+/-)Inf with a
29 %                 real value regarding unbounded variables and general
30 %                 constraints.
31 %         If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [0 inf].
32 %
33 % Output parameters
34 %   x           : Feasible point.
35 %   f,A,b,Aeq,beq,l,u : Output structured for further use in linprog.
36 %
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38 %              : Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
39 % Subject      : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
40 %              : M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
41 % Supervisor   : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor.
42 %              : Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
43 % Date        : 07. June 2007.
44
45 find_equality_constraints = 1; % see initialization of constraints below
46 equality_tol = 1e-8; % see initialization of constraints below
47 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
48 % Tune input and gather information
49 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
50 % Tune...
51 l = l(:); u = u(:);
52 bl = bl(:); bu = bu(:);
53 % Gather...
54 [m,n] = size(A);
55 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
56 % Set options
57 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
58 if nargin < 6 | isempty(opts)
59     equality_tol = 1e-8;
60     pseudoinf = 1e8;
61 else
62     opts = opts(:)';
63     % Check opts...
64     if length(opts) ~= 2
65         error('Options must be a vector of 2 elements.')
66     end
67     i = 1;
68     if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isinf(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
69         error('opts(1) must be positive.')
70     end
71     i = 2;
72     if ~isreal(opts(i)) | isinf(opts(i)) | isnan(opts(i)) | opts(i) < 0
73         error('opts(2) must be positive.')
74     end
75     equality_tol = opts(1);
76     pseudoinf = opts(2);
77 end
78 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
79 % Check nargin/nargout
80 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
81 error(nargchk(5,6,nargin))
82 error(nargoutchk(1,8,nargout))

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84 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
85 % Check input %
86 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
87 % Check l and u...
88 %l(40,1) = inf; % ???
89 size1 = size(l);
90 if size1(1) ~= n | size1(2) ~= 1
91     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_l_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(n),'_elements.']);
92 end
93 sizeu = size(u);
94 if sizeu(1) ~= n | sizeu(2) ~= 1
95     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_u_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(n),'_elements.']);
96 end
97 for i = 1:n
98     if l(i,1) > u(i,1)
99         error(['l(',int2str(i),'')_must_be_smaller_than_or_equal_to_u(',int2str(
i),'')']);
100     end
101 end
102 % Check b1 and bu...
103 sizeb1 = size(b1);
104 if sizeb1(1) ~= n | sizeb1(2) ~= 1
105     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_b1_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(m),'_elements.']);
106 end
107 sizebu = size(bu);
108 if sizebu(1) ~= n | sizebu(2) ~= 1
109     error(['Size_of_A_is_',int2str(m),'x',int2str(n),'_so_bu_must_be_a_vector_
of_',int2str(m),'_elements.']);
110 end
111 for i = 1:m
112     if b1(i) > bu(i)
113         error(['b1(',int2str(i),'')_must_be_smaller_than_or_equal_to_bu(',
int2str(i),'')']);
114     end
115 end
116 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
117 % Initialize input for linprog %
118 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
119 % Replace +/-inf with pseudo inf (linprog requirement)...
120 if pseudoinf ~= inf
121     l(find(l == -inf)) = -pseudoinf;
122     u(find(u == inf)) = pseudoinf;
123     b1(find(b1 == -inf)) = -pseudoinf;
124     bu(find(bu == inf)) = pseudoinf;
125 end
126 % Objective function f defined as a vector -> linprog is using inf-norm...
127 f = ones(n,1);
128 % Initialize constraints...
129 if 1
130     % Find indices of equality and inequality constraints...
131     in = 1:1:m; % indices of all constraints
132     eq = find(abs(bu - b1) <= equality_tol); % indices of equality constraints
133     for i = eq
134         in = in(find(in ~= i)); % remove indices of equality constraints
135     end
136     % Split constraints into equality and inequality constraints...
137     A_eq = A(:,eq); A_in = A(:,in);
138     b1_eq = b1(eq); b1_in = b1(in);
139     bu_eq = bu(eq); bu_in = bu(in);
140     A = [-A_in'; A_in']; % constraint matrix of inequality constraints
141     b = [-b1_in; bu_in]; % inequality constraints
142     Aeq = A_eq'; % constraint matrix of equality constraints
143     beq = (b1_eq + bu_eq)/2; % equality constraints
144 else
145     % all constraints initialized as inequalities
146     A = [-A'; A']; % onstraint matrix of inequality constraints
147     b = [-b1; bu]; % inequality constraints
148     Aeq = []; % no equality constraints
149     beq = []; % no equality constraints
150 end
151 end
152 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
153 % Find feasible point and display user info %
154 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
155 % Find feasible point using linprog with default settings...
156 disp('Calling linprog. ');
157 [x,dummy,exitflag] = linprog(f,A,b,Aeq,beq,l,u,[],optimset('Display','off'));
158 % Replace pseudo limit with +/-inf...
159 if pseudoinf ~= inf
160     b(find(b == -pseudoinf)) = -inf;
161     b(find(b == pseudoinf)) = inf;
162     l(find(l == -pseudoinf)) = -inf;
163     u(find(u == pseudoinf)) = inf;
164

```

```
165 end
166 % Display info ...
167 if exitflag ~= 1
168     disp(['No feasible point found, exitflag = ', int2str(exitflag), ', see "help'
169         ' linprog" .'])
170 end
171 for i = 1:length(x)
172     if x(i) > pseudoinf
173         disp(['Feasible point regarded as infinite, x(', int2str(i), ') > ',
174             num2str(pseudoinf), '.'])
175     end
176     if x(i) < -pseudoinf
177         disp(['Feasible point regarded as infinite, x(', int2str(i), ') < ',
178             num2str(-pseudoinf), '.'])
179     end
180 end
181 disp('LPsolver terminated.')
```

## D.3 Nonlinear Programming

### SQP\_solver.m

```

1 function [x, info, perf] = SQP_solver(modfun, modsens, costfun, costsens, x0,
2 pi0, opts, varargin)
3 % SQP_SOLVER Solves a nonlinear program of the form
4 % min f(x)
5 % s.t. h(x) >= 0
6 %
7 % Where f: R^n -> R, and h: R^n -> R^m, meaning that n is the number of
8 % variables and m
9 % is the number of constraints. SQP solves the program by use of the Lagrangian
10 % function
11 % L(x,y) = f(x)-y'h(x) which means that it is the following system that is
12 % solved
13 % nabla_x(L(x,y)) = nabla(f(x))-nabla(h(x))y = 0
14 % nabla_y(L(x,y)) = -h(x) = 0.
15 % Newtons method is used to approximate the solution. Each Newton step is
16 % calculated by
17 % solving a QP defined as
18 % min 0.5*delta_x' [nabla^2_xx(L(x,y))] delta_x + [nabla(f(x))]' delta_x
19 % s.t. nabla(h(x))' delta_x >= -h(x)
20 %
21 % This means that the solution can only be found if nabla^2_xx(L(x,y)) is
22 % positive definite. An BFGS-update has been provided which approximates nabla
23 % ^2_xx(L(x,y)).
24 % The solution is found by solving a sequence of these QPs. The
25 % dual active set method is used for solving the QP's.
26 %
27 % Call
28 % [x, info, perf] = SQP_solver(@modfun, @modsens, @costfun, @costsens, x0,
29 pi0, opts)
30 %
31 % Input parameters
32 % @modfun : functions that defines: h(x) : R^n -> R^m
33 % @modsens : functions that defines: nabla(h(x)) : R^n -> R^(nxm)
34 % @costfun : functions that defines: f(x) : R^n -> R
35 % @costsens : functions that defines: nabla(f(x)) : R^n -> R^n
36 % x0 : starting_guess
37 % pi0 : lagrange multipliers for the constraints.
38 % (could be a zero-vector of length m).
39 %
40 % opts :
41 % opts : Vector with 3 element:
42 % opts(1) = Tolerance used to stabilize the methods numerically.
43 % If |value| < opts(1), then value is regarded as zero.
44 % opts(2) = maximum no. of iteration steps.
45 % opts(3) = 1 : Using null space procedure.
46 % = 2 : Using null space procedure with factorization
47 % update.
48 % If opts(3) > 2, then opts(3) is set to 2 automatically.
49 % If opts is not given or empty, the default opts = [1e-8 1000 2].
50 %
51 % Output parameters
52 % x : The optimal solution.
53 % info : Performance information, vector with 3 elements:
54 % info(1) = final values of f.
55 % info(2) = no. of iteration steps.
56 % info(3) = 1 : Feasible solution found.
57 % = 2 : No. of iteration steps exceeded.
58 %
59 % perf : Performance, struct holding:
60 % perf.x : Values of x from each iteration of SQP. Size is nxit.
61 % perf.f : Values of f(x) from each iteration of SQP. Size is 1
62 % xit.
63 % perf.itQP : Number of iterations from the dual active set method
64 % each time a QP is solved. Size is 1xit.
65 % perf.stopQP : reason why the dual active set method has
66 % terminated each time a QP is solved. Size
67 % is 1xit.
68 % perf.stopQP(i) = 1: solution of QP has been found successfully.
69 % perf.stopQP(i) = 2: solution of QP has not been found successfully as
70 % iteration number has exceeded max.iteration
71 % number.
72 % perf.stopQP(i) = 3: solution of QP has not been found as the QP is
73 % infeasible.
74 %
75 % By : Carsten V\olcker, s961572.
76 % Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.

```



```

70 % Subject      : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
71 %              : M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
72 % Supervisor  : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor.
73 %              : Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
74 % Date        : 07. June 2007.
75 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
76
77 if nargin < 7 | isempty(opts)
78     tol = 1e-8;
79     it_max = 1000;
80     method = 2;
81     opts = [tol it_max method];
82 else
83     if opts(3) > 2
84         opts(3) = 2;
85     end
86     opts = opts(:)';
87 end
88
89 f0 = feval(costfun, x0, varargin{:});
90 g0 = feval(modfun, x0, varargin{:});
91 c = feval(costsens, x0, varargin{:});
92 A = feval(modsens, x0, varargin{:});
93 W = eye(length(x0));
94 w_non = (1:1:length(g0));
95
96 stop = 0;
97 tol = opts(1);
98 it_max = opts(2);
99 itr = 0;
100 n = length(x0);
101 xinit = x0;
102 finit = f0;
103
104 % initialize containers...
105 trace = (nargout > 2);
106 if trace
107     X_ = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max); % x of SQP
108     F = repmat(0,1,it_max); % function value of SQP
109     It = repmat(0,1,it_max); % no. iterations of QP
110     Stop = repmat(0,1,it_max); % stop of QP
111 end
112 max_itr = it_max;
113
114 while ~stop
115     X(:,itr+1) = x0;
116     itr = itr+1;
117     if (itr > max_itr)
118         stop = 2;
119     end
120
121     [delta_x, mu, info] = dual_active_set_method(W, c, A, -g0, w_non, [], opts);
122
123     if (abs(c'*delta_x) + abs(mu*g0)) < tol
124         disp('solution_has_been_found')
125         stop = 1;
126     else
127
128         if itr == 1
129             sigma = abs(mu);
130         else
131             for i=1:length(mu)
132                 sigma(i) = max(abs(mu(i)), 0.5*(sigma(i)+abs(mu(i))));
133             end
134         end
135
136         [alpha, x, f, g] = line_search_algorithm(modfun, costfun, f0, g0, c, x0, delta_x,
137             , sigma, 1e-4);
138
139         pii = pi0 + alpha*(mu-pi0);
140
141         nabla_L0 = c-A*pii;
142         c = feval(costsens, x, varargin{:});
143         A = feval(modsens, x, varargin{:});
144         nabla_L = c-A*pii;
145         s = x - x0;
146         y = nabla_L - nabla_L0;
147         sy = s'*y;
148         sWs = s'*W*s;
149         if (sy >= 0.2*sWs)
150             theta = 1;
151         else
152             theta = (0.8*sWs)/(sWs-sy);
153         end
154         Ws = W*s;
155         r = theta*y+(1-theta)*Ws;

```

```
156     W = W-(Ws*sW)/sWs+(r*r')/(s'*r);
157     x0 = x;
158     pi0 = pii;
159     f0 = f;
160     g0 = g;
161     end
162
163     % collecting output in containers...
164     if trace
165         X_(:,itr) = x0;
166         F(itr) = f0;
167         It(itr) = info(2);
168         Stop(itr) = info(3);
169     end
170 end
171
172 info = [f0 itr stop]; % SQP info
173 x = x0;
174 % building perf...
175 if trace
176     X_ = X_(:,1:itr); X_ = [xinit X_];
177     F = F(1:itr); F = [finit F];
178     It = It(1:itr); It = [0 It];
179     Stop = Stop(1:itr); Stop = [0 Stop];
180     perf = struct('x',{X},'f',{F},'itQP',{It},'stopQP',{Stop});
181 end
```

## D.4 Updating the Matrix Factorizations

givens\_rotation\_matrix.m

```

1 function [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(a,b)
2
3 % GIVENS_ROTATION_MATRIX: calculates the elements c and s which are used to
4 % introduce one zero in a vector of two elements
5 %
6 % Call
7 % [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(a,b)
8 %
9 % Input parameters
10 % a and b are the two elements of the vector where we want to
11 % introduce one zero.
12 %
13 % Output parameters
14 % c and s is used to construct the givens_rotation_matrix Qgivens: [c -s;
15 % s c].
16 % Now one zero is introduced: Qgivens*[a b]' = [gamma 0],
17 % where gamma is the length of [a b] is abs(gamma)
18 %
19 % By : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
20 % Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
21 % Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
22 % Supervisor : John Bagterp J\orgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
23 % Thomsen, Professor.
24 % Date : 31. oktober 2006.
25 % Reference : -----
26
27 % if(b==0)
28 % c = 1;
29 % s = 0;
30 % else
31 % if(abs(b)>abs(a))
32 % tau = -a/b;
33 % s = 1/sqrt(1+tau*tau);
34 % c = tau*s;
35 % else
36 % tau = -b/a;
37 % c = 1/sqrt(1+tau*tau);
38 % s = tau*c;
39 % end
40 % end
41 G = givens(a,b);
42 c = G(1,1);
43 s = G(2,1);

```

range\_space\_update.m

```

1 function [x,u,Q,R] = range_space_update(L,A,g,b,Q,R,col_rem)
2 % RANGE_SPACE_UPDATE uses the range-space procedure for solving a QP problem:
3 % min f(x)=0.5*x'Gx+g'x st: A'x=b,
4 % where A contains m constraints and the system has n variables.
5 % RANGE_SPACE_UPDATE contains methods for
6 % updating the factorizations using Givens rotations.
7 %
8 % *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a sequence of equality
9 % constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
10 % following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint at the
11 % last index of A, or a constraint removed at index col_rem of A.
12 %
13 % Call
14 % [x,u,Q,R] = range_space_update(L,A,g,b,Q,R,col_rem)
15 %
16 % Input parameters
17 % L : is the Cholesky factorization of the Hessian matrix G
18 % of f(x). L is nxn
19 % A : is the constraint matrix. The constraints are columns
20 % in A. A is nxm
21 % g : contains n elements
22 % b : contains m elements

```

```

20 %      Q and R : is the QR-factorization of the QP which has just been solved
21 %      (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***.
22 %      col_rem      : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
      from A.
23 %
24 %      Q, R and col_rem can be empty [] which means that The QP
25 %      is the first one in the sequence (see ***).
26 %
27 %      Output parameters
28 %      x      :is the optimized point
29 %      u      :is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
30 %      Q and R :is the QR-factorization of A
31 %
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35 %      Supervisor : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
      Thomsen, Professor.
36 %      Date      : 11. february 2007.
37 %      Reference : -----
38 %
39 [nA,mA] = size(A);
40 [nR,mR] = size(R);
41 K = L\A;
42 w = L\g;
43 z = b+(w'*K)';
44 if isempty(Q) && isempty(R)
45     disp('complete factorization');
46     [Q,R] = qr(K);
47 elseif mR < mA % new column has been appended to A
48     disp('append update');
49     [Q, R] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q, R, K(:,end));
50 elseif mR > mA % column has been removed from A at index col_rem
51     disp('remove update');
52     [Q, R] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q, R, col_rem);
53 end
54 u = R(1:length(z),:)\z;
55 u = R(1:length(z),:)\u;
56 y = K*u-w;
57 x = L'y;

```

### qr\_fact\_update\_app\_col.m

```

1 function [Q,R] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q,R,col_new)
2 % QRFACT_UPDATE_APP_COL updates the qr-factorization when a single column is
3 % appended at index m+1. And the factorization from before adding the column
      is known
4 %      : (Q_old and R_old)
5 %
6 %      Call
7 %      [q r] = qr_fact_update_app_col(Q_old, R_old, col_new)
8 %
9 %      Input parameters
10 %      Q_old is the Q part of the QR-factorization from the former
11 %      matrix A (the matrix we want to append one column at index m+1).
12 %      R_old is the R part from the QR-factorization from the former
13 %      matrix A (the matrix we want to append one column at index m+1).
14 %      col_new is the column we want to append
15 %
16 %      Output parameters
17 %      Q is the updated Q-matrix
18 %      R is the updated R-matrix (everything but the upper mxm matrix is zeros
      )
19 %
20 %      By      : Carsten Volcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
21 %      Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
22 %      Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
23 %      Supervisor : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
      Thomsen, Professor.
24 %      Date      : 31. october 2006.
25 %      Reference : -----
26 %
27 [n m] = size(R);
28 sw = (col_new'*Q)';
29 for j = n:-1:m+2
30     i = j-1;
31     [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(sw(i),sw(j));
32     e1 = sw(i)*c - sw(j)*s;
33     sw(j) = sw(i)*s + sw(j)*c;
34     sw(i) = e1;

```

```

35     v1 = Q(:,i)*c - Q(:,j)*s;
36     Q(:,j) = Q(:,i)*s + Q(:,j)*c;
37     Q(:,i) = v1;
38 end
39 R = [R sw];

```

## qr\_fact\_update\_rem\_col.m

```

1 function [Q,R] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q,R,col_index)
2 % QR_FACT_UPDATE_REM_COL updates the qr-factorization when a single column is
3 % removed.
4 %
5 % Call
6 %     [q r] = qr_fact_update_rem_col(Q_old, R_old, col_new)
7 %
8 % Input parameters
9 %     Q_old is the Q part from the QR-factorization from the former
10 %     matrix A ( the matrix we want to remove one column ).
11 %     R_old is the R part from the QR-factorization from the former
12 %     matrix A ( the matrix we want to remove one column ).
13 %     col_index is the index of the column we want to remove
14 %
15 % Output parameters
16 %     Q is the updated Q-matrix
17 %     R is the updated R-matrix (everything but the upper mxm matrix is zeros
18 %     )
19 % By      : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
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22 % Supervisor : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
23 %           Thomsen, Professor.
24 % Date    : 31. october 2006.
25 % Reference : -----
26 [n m] = size(R);
27 t = m - col_index;
28 for i = 1:t;
29     j = i+1;
30     [c s] = givens_rotation_matrix(R(col_index+i-1,col_index+i), R(col_index+j
31     -1,col_index+i));
32     v1 = R(col_index+i-1,col_index+1:end)*c - R(col_index+j-1,col_index+1:end)*
33     s;
34     R(col_index+j-1,col_index+1:end) = R(col_index+i-1,col_index+1:end)*s + R(
35     col_index+j-1,col_index+1:end)*c;
36     R(col_index+i-1,col_index+1:end) = v1;
37     q1 = Q(:,col_index+i-1)*c - Q(:,col_index+j-1)*s;
38     Q(:,col_index+j-1) = Q(:,col_index+i-1)*s + Q(:,col_index+j-1)*c;
39     Q(:,col_index+i-1) = q1;
40 end
41 R = [R(:,1:col_index-1) R(:,col_index+1:end)];

```

## null\_space\_update.m

```

1 function [x,u,Q_new,T_new,L_new] = null_space_update(G,A,g,b,Q_old,T_old,L_old,
2     col_rem)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE uses the null-space procedure for solving a QP problem: min
4 %     f(x)=0.5*x'Gx+g'x st: A'x=b,
5 %     where A contains m constraints and the system has n variables.
6 %     NULL_SPACE_UPDATE contains methods for
7 %     updating the factorizations using Givens rotations.
8 %
9 %     *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a sequence of equality
10 %     constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
11 %     following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint at the
12 %     last index of A, or a constraint removed at index col_rem of A.
13 %
14 % Call
15 %     [x,u,Q_new,T_new,L_new] = null_space_update(G,A,g,b,Q_old,T_old,L_old,
16 %     col_rem)

```

```

16 % Input parameters
17 % G : is the Hessian matrix of f(x). G is nxn
18 % A : is the constraint matrix. The constraints are columns
19 % in A. A is nxm
20 % g : contains n elements
21 % b : contains m elements
22 % Q_old and T_old : is the QT-factorization of the QP which has just been
23 % solved
24 % (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***. The
25 % T part of the QT-factorization is lower triangular
26 % L_old : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
27 % matrix of the QP just solved (see ***).
28 % col_rem : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
29 % from A.
30 %
31 % Q_old, T_old, L_old and col_rem can be empty [] which means that The QP
32 % is the first one in the sequence (see ***).
33 %
34 % Output parameters
35 % x : is the optimized point
36 % u : is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
37 % Q_new and T_new : is the QT-factorization of A
38 % L_new : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
39 % matrix.
40 %
41 % By : Carsten V\`olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
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45 % Thomsen, Professor.
46 % Date : 08. february 2007.
47
48 [nA,mA] = size(A);
49 [nT,mT] = size(T_old);
50
51 dimNulSpace = nA-mA;
52
53 Q_new = Q_old;
54 T_new = T_old;
55 L_new = L_old;
56
57 if isempty(Q_old) && isempty(T_old) && isempty(L_old)
58 %disp('complete factorization');
59 [Q,R] = qr(A);
60 Itilde = flipud(eye(nA));
61 T_new = Itilde*R;
62 Q_new = Q*Itilde;
63 Q1 = Q_new(:,1:dimNulSpace);
64 Gz = Q1'*G*Q1;
65 L_new = chol(Gz);
66 elseif mT < mA % new column has been appended to A
67 % disp('append update');
68 [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q_old, T_old, L_old,
69 A(:,end));
70 elseif mT > mA % column has been removed from A at index col_rem
71 % disp('remove update');
72 [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q_old, T_old, L_old,
73 G, col_rem);
74 end
75
76 Q1 = Q_new(:,1:dimNulSpace);
77 Q2 = Q_new(:,dimNulSpace+1:nA);
78 T_newMark = T_new(dimNulSpace+1:end,:);
79 py = T_newMark'\b;
80 gz = -(G*(Q2*py) + g)'*Q1';
81 z = L_new\gz;
82 pz = L_new\z;
83 x = Q2*py + Q1*pz;
84 u = ((G*x + g)'*Q2)';
85 u = T_newMark\u;

```

### null\_space\_update\_fact\_app\_col.m

```

1 function [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q, T, L, col_new)
2 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_COL updates the QT-factorization of A when a
3 % single column col_new is appended to A as the last column. The resulting
4 % constraint matrix is Abar = [A col_new]. The corresponding QP problem has a
5 % reduced Hessian
6 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is L_old.
7 % Call

```

```

8  %           [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_app_col(Q, T, L, col_new)
9
10 % Input parameters
11 %   Q and T       : is the QT-factorization of A
12 %   L             : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
13 %   col_new      : is the column that is appended to A: Abar = [A
14 %   col_new]
15 % Output parameters
16 %   Q and T       : is the QT-factorization of Abar
17 %   L             : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
18 %   matrix of the new QP problem.
19 % By           : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
20 % Subject      : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
21 %               Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
22 % Supervisor   : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
23 %               Thomsen, Professor.
24 % Date        : 08. february 2007.
25 % Reference    : -----
26 [n,m] = size(T);
27 dimNullSpace = n - m;
28 wv = (col_new'*Q)';
29 for i = 1:dimNullSpace-1
30     j = i+1;
31     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(wv(i),wv(j));
32     temp = wv(i)*c + wv(j)*s;
33     wv(j) = wv(j)*c - wv(i)*s;
34     wv(i) = temp;
35     temp = Q(:,i)*c + Q(:,j)*s;
36     Q(:,j) = Q(:,j)*c - Q(:,i)*s;
37     Q(:,i) = temp;
38     temp = L(i,:) * c + L(j,:) * s;
39     L(j,:) = L(j,:) * c - L(i,:) * s;
40     L(i,:) = temp;
41 end
42 for i = 1:dimNullSpace-1
43     j = i+1;
44     [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L(i,i),L(i,j));
45     temp = L(:,i)*c - L(:,j)*s;
46     L(:,j) = L(:,j)*c + L(:,i)*s;
47     L(:,i) = temp;
48 end
49 T = [T wv];
50 L = L(1:dimNullSpace-1,1:dimNullSpace-1);

```

## null\_space\_update\_fact\_rem\_col.m

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1  function [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q, T, L, G, col_rem)
2  % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_REM_COL updates the QT-factorization of A when a
3  % column is removed from A at column-index col_rem. The new Constraint matrix
4  % is called Abar.
5  % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
6  % cholesky factorization
7  % of redH is L.
8  % Call
9  %   [Q, T, L] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q, T, L, G, col_rem)
10 % Input parameters
11 %   Q and T       : is the QT-factorization of A
12 %   L             : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
13 %   G             : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem.
14 %   col_rem      : is the column-index at which a column has been
15 %   removed from A
16 % Output parameters
17 %   Q and T       : is the QT-factorization of Abar
18 %   L             : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
19 %   matrix of the new QP problem.
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25 % Reference : -----
26
27 [n,m] = size(T);
28 dimNulSpace = n-m;
29 j = col_rem;
30 mm = m-j;
31 nn = mm+1;
32
33
34 for i=1:mm
35     idx1 = nn-i;
36     idx2 = idx1+1;
37     [s,c] = gives_rotation_matrix(T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+i),T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j
38         +i));
39     temp = T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end)*c + T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end)*s;
40     T(dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end) = -T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end)*s + T(
41         dimNulSpace+idx2,j+1:end)*c;
42     T(dimNulSpace+idx1,j+1:end) = temp;
43     temp = Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1)*c + Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2)*s;
44     Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2) = -Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1)*s + Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx2)*c;
45     Q(:,dimNulSpace+idx1) = temp;
46 end
47
48 T = [T(:,1:j-1) T(:,j+1:end)];
49 z = Q(:,dimNulSpace+1);
50 l = L\((G*z)'*Q(:,1:dimNulSpace))';
51 delta = sqrt(z'*G*z-1'*1);
52 L = [L zeros(dimNulSpace,1);l' delta];

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### null\_space\_updateFRFX.m

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1 function [x,u,Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr,G,A,g,b,
2     dim_fx,col_rem)
3
4 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FRFX uses the same procedure as NULL_SPACE_UPDATE for
5 % solving f(x)=0.5*x'Gx+g'x st: A'x=b,
6 % (so please take a look at it). The difference is that NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FRFX
7 % takes advantage of the fact that some of the active constraints
8 % are bounds (usually). An active bound correspond to one fixed variable. This
9 % means that x can be divided into [x_free, x_fixed]
10 % where x_fixed are those variables which are fixed. The part of the
11 % factorizations which correspond to the fixed variables can not be changes
12 % (as they are fixed) and this means that we are only required to
13 % refactorize the part which correspond to the free variables.
14
15 %
16 % *** when solving an inequality constrained QP, a sequence of equality
17 % constrained QPs are solved. The difference between two of these
18 % following equality constrained QP is one appended constraint or one
19 % removed constraint
20
21 % Call
22 [x,u,Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr] = null_space_updateFRFX(Q_fr,T_fr,L_fr,G,A,g,b,
23     dim_fx,col_rem)
24
25 % Input parameters
26 G : is the Hessian matrix of f(x). G is nxn
27 A : is the constraint matrix which only contains active
28     general constraints (the bound-constraints has been removed).
29     The dimension of A is nxm_fr (n is number
30     of variables and m_fr is the number of
31     active general constraints)
32 g : is the gradient of f(x) and the dimension is nx1
33 b : contains the max values of the constraints (both
34     general and an bound constraints) and therefore
35     the dimension is
36         (m_fr+mfx)x1.
37 Q_fr and T_fr are the free part of the QT-factorization of the part of
38 the QP which has just been solved
39 (if not the first iteration) in the sequence described in ***. The
40 T part of the QT-factorization is lower triangular
41 L_old : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
42 matrix of the QP just solved (see ***)
43 col_rem : is the index at which a constraint has been removed
44 from A (if a constraint has been appended this
45     variable is unused.
46
47
48 Q_old, T_old, L_old and col_rem can be empty [] which means that The QP
49 is the first one in the sequence (see ***)
50 dim_fx : number of fixed variables

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41 % Output parameters
42 % x : is the solution
43 % u : is the corresponding Lagrangian Multipliers
44 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A corresponding to the
45 % free variables.
46 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced
47 % Hessian matrix.
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54 % Reference : -----
55 [nT mT] = size(T_fr);
56 [nA mA] = size(A);
57 dim_fx_old = nA-nT;
58
59 if isempty(A) % nothing to factorize
60 % disp('A is empty')
61 C = eye(dim_fx);
62 C = [zeros(length(g)-dim_fx, dim_fx); C];
63 [x u] = null_space(G,C,g,b);
64 Q_fr = []; T_fr = []; L_fr = []; A_fx = [];
65
66 elseif isempty(T_fr) || ((mA == mT) && (dim_fx == dim_fx_old)) % complete
67 % factorization
68 % disp('complete factorization')
69 A_fr = A(1:end-dim_fx,:);
70 [n m] = size(A_fr);
71 G_frfr = G(1:n,1:n);
72 dns = n-m;
73 [Q,R] = qr(A_fr);
74 Itilde = flipud(eye(n));
75 T_fr = Itilde*R;
76 Q_fr = Q*Itilde;
77 Qz = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
78 Gz = Qz'*G_frfr*Qz;
79 L_fr = chol(Gz)';
80 A_fx = A(end-dim_fx+1:end,:);
81 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
82
83 elseif mA > mT % one general constraint has been appended
84 % disp('append general constraint')
85 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
86 L_fr, A(:,end));
87 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
88 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
89 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
90 elseif mA < mT % one general constraint has been removed at indx col_rem
91 % disp('remove general constraint')
92 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
93 G_frfr = G(1:dim_fr,1:dim_fr);
94 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
95 L_fr, G_frfr, col_rem);
96 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
97 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
98
99 elseif dim_fx > dim_fx_old % one bound has been appended
100 % disp('append bound')
101 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
102 );
103 dim_fr = size(T_fr,1);
104 A_fx = A(dim_fr+1:end,:);
105 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
106
107 elseif dim_fx < dim_fx_old % one bound has been removed
108 % disp('remove bound')
109 [nT mT] = size(T_fr);
110 dns = nT-mT;
111 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
112 T_fr = [T_fr; A(nT+1,:)];
113 [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
114 , G);
115 A_fx = A(nT+2:end,:);
116 [x u] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b);
117
118 end
119
120 function [x_new u_new] = help_fun(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr, A_fx, G, g, b)
121 % disp('help_fun')
122 [nT,mT] = size(T_fr);
123 dns = nT-mT;
124 dim_fr = nT;
125 dim_fx = length(g)-dim_fr;
126 Q1 = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
127 Q2 = Q_fr(:,dns+1:nT);

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122 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
123 b_fr = b(dim_fx+1:end);
124 x_fx = b(1:dim_fx);
125 if dim_fx
126     temp = (x_fx'*A_fx)';
127     b_fr = b_fr-temp;
128 end
129 py = T_fr'\b_fr;
130 G_frfr = G(1:dim_fr,1:dim_fr);
131 g_fr = g(1:dim_fr);
132 gz = -((G_frfr*(Q2*py) + g_fr)'*Q1)';
133 z = L_fr\gz;
134 pz = L_fr'\z;
135 x_fr = Q2*py + Q1*pz;
136 %compute Lagrangian multipliers
137 c = G*[x_fr; x_fx] + g;
138 c_fr = c(1:dim_fr);
139 c_fx = c(dim_fr+1:end);
140 Y_fr = Q_fr(1:dim_fr,dns+1:dim_fr);
141 u_I = T_fr\(c_fr'*Y_fr)';
142 u_B = c_fx-A_fx*u_I;
143 x_new = [x_fr; x_fx];
144 u_new = [u_B; u_I];

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### null\_space\_update\_fact\_app\_general\_FRFX.m

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1 function [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr,
2     T_fr, L_fr, col_new)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_GENERAL_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of A
4 % when a
5 % general constraint: col_new is appended to A as the last column. The
6 % resulting
7 % constraint matrix is Abar = [A col_new]. The corresponding QP problem has a
8 % reduced Hessian
9 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is L_fr. It is only
10 % the part corresponding to the free variables which are updated (the fixed
11 % part are not changing)
12 % Call
13 % [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_general_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr
14 % , L_fr, col_new)
15 %
16 % Input parameters:
17 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A (the part
18 % corresponding to the free variables)
19 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
20 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
21 % col_new : is the general constraint that is appended to A: Abar
22 % = [A col_new]
23 %
24 % Output parameters
25 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of Abar(the part
26 % corresponding to the free variables)
27 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
28 % matrix of the new QP problem.
29 %
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36 % Reference : -----
37
38 [n,m] = size(T_fr);
39 dns = n-m;
40 Z_fr = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
41 Y_fr = Q_fr(:,dns+1:end);
42 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
43 a_fr = col_new(1:n);
44 wv = (a_fr'*Q_fr)';
45 w = wv(1:dns);
46 v = wv(dns+1:end);
47 for i = 1:length(w)-1
48     j = i+1;
49     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(w(i),w(j));
50
51     temp = w(i)*c + w(j)*s;
52     w(j) = -w(i)*s + w(j)*c;
53     w(i) = temp;

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46     temp = Z_fr(:,i)*c + Z_fr(:,j)*s;
47     Z_fr(:,j) = -Z_fr(:,i)*s + Z_fr(:,j)*c;
48     Z_fr(:,i) = temp;
49
50
51     temp = L_fr(i,:)*c + L_fr(j,:)*s;
52     L_fr(j,:) = -L_fr(i,:)*s + L_fr(j,:)*c;
53     L_fr(i,:) = temp;
54 end
55 gamma = w(end);
56 T_fr = [zeros(1, size(T_fr, 2)) gamma; T_fr v];
57 L_fr = L_fr(1:end-1,:);
58 [nn mm] = size(L_fr);
59 for i=1:1:nn
60     j=i+1;
61     [c, s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L_fr(i, i), L_fr(i, j));
62
63     temp = L_fr(:,i)*c - L_fr(:,j)*s;
64     L_fr(:,j) = L_fr(:,i)*s + L_fr(:,j)*c;
65     L_fr(:,i) = temp;
66 end
67 Q_fr = [Z_fr Y_fr];
68 T_fr = [zeros(dns-1, size(T_fr, 2)); T_fr];
69 L_fr = L_fr(:, 1:dns-1);

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## null\_space\_update\_fact\_rem\_general\_FRFX.m

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1  function [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_general_FRFX(Q_fr ,
2     T_fr, L_fr, G_frfr, j)
3
4  % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_REM_GENERAL_FRFX updates the QT-factorization
5  % corresponding to the free variables of A when a
6  % general constraint is removed from A at column-index j. The new Constraint
7  % matrix is called Abar.
8  % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
9  % cholesky factorization
10 % of redH is L_fr.
11
12 % Call
13 % [Q_new, T_new, L_new] = null_space_update_fact_rem_col(Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr
14 % , G_frfr, col_rem)
15
16 % Input parameters
17 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A (the part
18 % corresponding to the free variables)
19 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
20 % matrix of the corresponding QP problem (the part
21 % corresponding to the free variables).
22 % G_frfr : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem (the part
23 % corresponding to the free variables).
24 % col_rem : is the column-index at which a general constraint has
25 % been removed from A
26
27 % Output parameters
28 % Q_new and T_new : is the QT-factorization of Abar (the part
29 % corresponding to the free variables).
30 % L_new : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
31 % matrix of the new QP problem (the part
32 % corresponding to the free variables).
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41
42 [n,m] = size(T_fr);
43 dns = n-m;
44 T_fr = T_fr(dns+1:end,:);
45 T11 = T_fr(m-j+2:m, 1:j-1);
46 N = T_fr(1:m-j+1, j+1:end);
47 M = T_fr(m-j+2:end, j+1:end);
48 Q1 = Q_fr(:, 1:dns);
49 Q21 = Q_fr(:, dns+1:n-j+1);
50 Q22 = Q_fr(:, n-j+2:end);
51 [nn mm] = size(N);
52
53 for i=1:1:mm

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45     idx1 = nn-i;
46     idx2 = idx1+1;
47     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(N(idx1,i),N(idx2,i));
48
49     temp = N(idx1,:)*c + N(idx2,:)*s;
50     N(idx2,:) = -N(idx1,:)*s + N(idx2,:)*c;
51     N(idx1,:) = temp;
52
53     temp = Q21(:,idx1)*c + Q21(:,idx2)*s;
54     Q21(:,idx2) = -Q21(:,idx1)*s + Q21(:,idx2)*c;
55     Q21(:,idx1) = temp;
56
57 end
58 N = N(2:end,:);
59 T_new = [zeros(nn-1,j-1) N; T11 M];
60 T_new = [zeros(dns+1,m-1); T_new];
61 Q_new = [Q1 Q21 Q22];
62 z = Q_new(:,dns+1);
63 l = L_fr \ ((G_frfr*z)'*Q1)';
64 delta = sqrt(z'*G_frfr*z-l'*1);
65 L_new = [L_fr zeros(dns,1); l' delta];

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### null\_space\_update\_fact\_app\_bound\_FRFX.m

```

1 function [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
2     L_fr)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_APP_BOUND_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of A when
4 % a bound is appended to the constraint matrix. The corresponding QP problem has
5 % a reduced Hessian
6 % matrix redH and the cholesky factorization of redH is L_fr. The
7 % QT-factorization correspond to the the general constraint matrix and only
8 % the part corresponding to the free variables.
9
10 % Call
11 % [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_app_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
12 %     L_fr)
13
14 % Input parameters
15 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of A, (A is the general
16 %     constraint matrix and only the part
17 %     corresponding to the free variables)
18 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
19 %     matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
20
21 % Output parameters
22 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of the general constraint
23 %     matrix for the part corresponding to the free
24 %     variables.
25 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
26 %     matrix of the new QP problem.
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34 % Reference : -----
35
36 [n,m] = size(T_fr);
37 dns = n-m;
38 q = Q_fr(end,:)' ;
39 TL = zeros(n);
40 TL(1:dns,1:dns) = L_fr;
41 TL(:,dns+1:end) = T_fr;
42 for i = 1:length(q)-1
43     j = i+1;
44     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(q(i),q(j));
45
46     temp = q(i)*c + q(j)*s;
47     q(j) = -q(i)*s + q(j)*c;
48     q(i) = temp;
49
50     temp = Q_fr(:,i)*c + Q_fr(:,j)*s;
51     Q_fr(:,j) = -Q_fr(:,i)*s + Q_fr(:,j)*c;
52     Q_fr(:,i) = temp;
53
54     temp = TL(i,:)*c + TL(j,:)*s;
55     TL(j,:) = -TL(i,:)*s + TL(j,:)*c;
56     TL(i,:) = temp;

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50 end
51
52 Q_fr = Q_fr(1:end-1,1:end-1);
53 T_fr = TL(1:end-1,dns+1:end);
54 L_new = TL(1:dns-1,1:dns);
55 [nn mm] = size(L_new);
56 for i=1:1:nn
57     j=i+1;
58     [c,s] = givens_rotation_matrix(L_new(i,i),L_new(i,j));
59
60     temp = L_new(:,i)*c - L_new(:,j)*s;
61     L_new(:,j) = L_new(:,i)*s + L_new(:,j)*c;
62     L_new(:,i) = temp;
63 end
64 L_fr = L_new(:,1:end-1);

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## null\_space\_update\_fact\_rem\_bound\_FRFX.m

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1 function [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
2     L_fr, G)
3 % NULL_SPACE_UPDATE_FACT_REM_BOUND_FRFX updates the QT-factorization of the
4 % general constraint matrix (and only the part
5 % corresponding to the free variables) when a bound is removed.
6 % The corresponding QP problem has a reduced Hessian matrix redH and the
7 % cholesky factorization
8 % of redH is L_old.
9
10 % Call
11 % [Q_fr, T_fr, L_fr] = null_space_update_fact_rem_bound_FRFX(Q_fr, T_fr,
12 %     L_fr, G)
13
14 % Input parameters
15 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of the constraint matrix (and
16 %     only the part corresponding to the free variables).
17 % L_fr : is the cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
18 %     matrix of the corresponding QP problem.
19 % G : is the Hessian matrix of the QP problem.
20
21 % Output parameters
22 % Q_fr and T_fr : is the QT-factorization of the new general
23 %     constraint matrix (and only the part
24 %     corresponding to the free variables)
25 % L_fr : is the Cholesky factorization of the reduced Hessian
26 %     matrix of the new QP problem.
27
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33 % Date : 08. february 2007.
34 % Reference : -----
35
36 n = size(Q_fr,1);
37 m = size(T_fr,1)-1;
38 dns = n-m;
39 G_frfr = G(1:n,1:n);
40 Z_fr = Q_fr(:,1:dns);
41 Y_fr = Q_fr(:,dns+1:end);
42 [nn mm] = size(T_fr);
43 Y_fr = [Y_fr zeros(size(Y_fr,1),1); zeros(1,size(Y_fr,2)) 1];
44 for i=1:1:mm
45     idx1 = nn-i;
46     idx2 = idx1+1;
47     [s,c] = givens_rotation_matrix(T_fr(idx1,i),T_fr(idx2,i));
48
49     temp = T_fr(idx1,:)*c + T_fr(idx2,:)*s;
50     T_fr(idx2,:) = -T_fr(idx1,:)*s + T_fr(idx2,:)*c;
51     T_fr(idx1,:) = temp;
52
53     temp = Y_fr(:,idx1)*c + Y_fr(:,idx2)*s;
54     Y_fr(:,idx2) = -Y_fr(:,idx1)*s + Y_fr(:,idx2)*c;
55     Y_fr(:,idx1) = temp;
56 end
57 T_fr = T_fr(2:end,:);
58 Z_fr = [Z_fr; zeros(1,size(Z_fr,2))];
59 Q_fr = [Z_fr Y_fr];
60 T_fr = [zeros(size(Z_fr,2)+1,size(T_fr,2)); T_fr];
61 Z_fr_bar = Q_fr(:,1:n-m+1);

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54 Z_fr = Z_fr_bar(1:end-1,1:end-1);
55 z = Z_fr_bar(1:end-1,end);
56 rho = Z_fr_bar(end,end);
57 h = G(1:n,n+1);
58 omega = G(n+1,n+1);
59 l = L_fr \ ((G_frfr*z+rho*h)'*Z_fr)';
60 delta = sqrt(z'*(G_frfr*z+2*rho*h)+omega*rho*rho-1'*1);
61 L_fr = [L_fr zeros(size(L_fr,1),1); 1' delta];
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## D.5 Demos

QP\_demo.m

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1 function QP_demo(method, funtoplot)
2
3 % QP_DEMO Interactive demonstration of the primal active set and
4 % the dual active set methods.
5
6 % Call
7 % QP_demo(method, funtoplot)
8
9 % Input parameter
10 % method      : 'primal' : Demonstrating the primal active set method.
11 %             : 'dual'   : Demonstrating the dual active set method.
12 % funtoplot   : 'objective' : Plotting the objective function.
13 %             : 'lagrangian' : Plotting the Lagrangian function.
14 %
15 % By          : Carsten V\olcker, s961572.
16 %             : Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
17 % Subject     : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
18 %             : M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
19 % Supervisor  : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor.
20 %             : Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
21 % Date       : 07. June 2007.
22
23 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
24 % Check nargin/nargout %
25 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
26 error(nargchk(2,2,nargin))
27 error(nargoutchk(0,0,nargout))
28 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
29 % Check input %
30 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
31 % check method...
32 if ~strcmp(method,'primal') & ~strcmp(method,'dual')
33     error('Method must be 'primal' or 'dual'.')
34 end
35 % check funtoplot...
36 ftp = 0; % plot objective function
37 if ~strcmp(funtoplot,'objective') & ~strcmp(funtoplot,'lagrangian')
38     error('Funtoplot must be 'objective' or 'lagrangian'.')
39 elseif strcmp(funtoplot,'lagrangian')
40     ftp = 1; % plot lagrangian
41 end
42 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
43 % Setup and run demo %
44 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
45 % Setup demo...
46 G = [1 0; 0 1];
47 g = [0 0]';
48 A = [0.5 1;
49      0 1;
50      2 1.75;
51      3 -1;
52      1 0];
53 b = [3 1 8.5 3 2.2]';
54 % Run demo...
55 if strcmp(method,'primal')
56     primal_active_set_demo(G,g,A',b,ftp)
57 else
58     dual_active_set_demo(G,g,A',b,ftp)
59 end
60 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
61 % Auxilery function(s) %
62 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
63 function primal_active_set_demo(G,g,A',b,ftp)
64 % initialize...
65 [n,m] = size(A);
66 At = A';
67 w_non = 1:1:m;
68 w_act = [];
69 mu = zeros(m,1);
70 % initialize options...
71 tol = sqrt(eps);
72 it_max = 100;
73 % initialize counters and containers...
74 it = 0;
75 X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,it_max);
76 % plot...
77 x = active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,[],mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20 50 100 tol ftp]);
78 X(:,1) = x;

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79 % check feasibility of x...
80 i_b = find(At*x - b < -tol);
81 if ~isempty(i_b)
82     disp(['Following constraint(s) violated, because A*x <= b:'])
83     fprintf(['\b',int2str(i_b)'],'\n')
84     error('Starting point for primal active set method is not feasible, run demo again.')
85 end
86 % iterate...
87 stop = 0;
88 while ~stop
89     it = it + 1;
90     if it >= it_max
91         disp('No. or iterations steps exceeded.')
92         stop = 2; % maximum no iterations exceeded
93     end
94     % call range/null space procedure...
95     mu = zeros(m,1);
96     [p,mu_act] = nullspace_demo(G,A(:,w_act),G*x+g,zeros(length(w_act),1));
97     mu(w_act) = mu_act;
98     % plot...
99     active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,X(:,1:it),mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20 50 100 tol
100         ftp]);
101     disp('Press any key to continue...')
102     pause
103     % check if solution found...
104     if norm(p) <= tol
105         if mu >= -tol
106             stop = 1; % solution found
107             disp('Solution found by primal active set method, demo terminated.')
108         else
109             % compute index j of bound/constraint to be removed...
110             [dummy,j] = min(mu);
111             w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= j)); % remove constraint j from active
112             set
113             w_non = [w_non j]; % append constraint j to nonactive set/function
114         end
115     else
116         % compute step length and index j of bound/constraint to be appended...
117         alpha = 1;
118         for app = w_non
119             ap = At(app,:)*p; % At(app,:) = A(:,app)
120             if ap < -tol
121                 temp = (b(app) - At(app,:)*x)/ap;
122                 if -tol < temp & temp < alpha
123                     alpha = temp; % smallest step length
124                     j = app; % index j of bound to be appended
125                 end
126             end
127         end
128         if alpha < 1
129             % make constrained step...
130             x = x + alpha*p;
131             w_act = [w_act j]; % append constraint j to active set
132             w_non = w_non(find(w_non ~= j)); % remove constraint j from
133             nonactive set
134         else
135             % make full step...
136             x = x + p;
137         end
138     end
139     X(:,it+1) = x;
140     % plot...
141     if ~stop
142         %disp('Press any key to continue...')
143         %pause
144         active_set_plot(G,At,g,b,X(:,1:it+1),mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20 50
145             100 tol ftp]);
146         disp('Press any key to continue...')
147         pause
148     end
149 end
150
151 function dual_active_set_demo(G,g,A,b,ftp)
152 % initialize...
153 [n,m] = size(A);
154 C = A;
155 w_non = 1:1:m;
156 w_act = [];
157 x = -G\g; x = x(:);
158 mu = zeros(m,1);
159 % initialize options...
160 tol = sqrt(eps);
161 max_itr = 100;
162 % initialize counters and containers...
163 it = 0;

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160 it_draw = 1;
161 X = repmat(zeros(n,1),1,max_itr);
162 % plot...
163 active_set_plot(G,C',g,b,x,mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20 50 100 tol ftpr]);
164 disp('Press any key to continue...')
165 pause
166 X(:,1) = x;
167 % iterate...
168 stop = 0;
169 while ~stop
170     c = constraints(G,C(:,w_non),g,b(w_non),x,mu);
171     if c >= -tol;
172         stop = 1;
173         %disp('STOP: all inactive constraints >= 0')
174         disp('Solution found by dual active set method, demo terminated.')
175     else
176         % we find the least negative value of c
177         c_r = max(c(find(c < -sqrt(eps))));
178         r = find(c == c_r);
179         r = r(1);
180     end
181     it = it + 1;
182     if it >= max_itr
183         disp('No. or iterations steps exceeded (outer loop).')
184         stop = 3; % maximum no iterations exceeded
185     end
186     % iterate...
187     it2 = 0;
188     stop2 = max(0,stop);
189     while ~stop2
190         it2 = it2 + 1;
191         if it2 >= max_itr
192             disp('No. or iterations steps exceeded (inner loop).')
193             stop = 3;
194             stop2 = stop;
195         end
196         % call range/null space procedure...
197         [p,v] = nullspace_demo(G,C(:,w_act),-C(:,r),zeros(length(w_act),1));
198         if isempty(v)
199             v = [];
200         end
201         arp = C(:,r)'*p;
202         if abs(arp) <= tol % linear dependency
203             if v >= 0 % solution does not exist
204                 disp('Problem is infeasible, demo terminated.')
205                 stop = 2;
206                 stop2 = stop;
207             else
208                 t = inf;
209                 for k = 1:length(v)
210                     if v(k) < 0
211                         temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
212                         if temp < t
213                             t = temp;
214                             rem = k;
215                         end
216                     end
217                 end
218                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t*v;
219                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t;
220                 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= w_act(rem)));
221             end
222         else
223             % stepsize in dual space...
224             t1 = inf;
225             for k = 1:length(v)
226                 if v(k) < 0
227                     temp = -mu(w_act(k))/v(k);
228                     if temp < t1
229                         t1 = temp;
230                         rem = k;
231                     end
232                 end
233             end
234             % stepsize in primal space...
235             t2 = -constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu)/arp;
236             if t2 <= t1
237                 x = x + t2*p;
238                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t2*v;
239                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t2;
240                 w_act = [w_act r];
241             else
242                 x = x + t1*p;
243                 mu(w_act) = mu(w_act) + t1*v;
244                 mu(r) = mu(r) + t1;
245                 w_act = w_act(find(w_act ~= w_act(rem)));
246             end

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247     end
248     c_r = constraints(G,C(:,r),g,b(r),x,mu);
249     if c_r > -tol
250         stop2 = 1; % leaves the inner while-loop but does not stop the
                    algorithm
251     end
252     it_draw = it_draw + 1;
253     X(:,it_draw) = x;
254     %plot...
255     if ~ stop
256         active_set_plot(G,C',g,b,X(:,1:it_draw),mu,w_act,[-4 8;-4 8],[20 20
                    50 100 tol ftp]);
257         disp('Press any key to continue...')
258         pause
259     end
260 end % while
261 end % while
262
263 function [x,mu] = null_space_demo(G,A,g,b)
264 % initialize...
265 [n m] = size(A);
266 % QR factorization of A so that A = [Y Z]*[R 0]'...
267 [Q,R] = qr(A); % matlab's implementation
268 Y = Q(:,1:m);
269 Z = Q(:,m+1:n);
270 R = R(1:m,:);
271 Zt = Z';
272 % Solve for the range space component py...
273 py = R\b;
274 % Compute the reduced gradient...
275 gz = Zt*(G*(Y*py) + g);
276 % Compute the reduced Hessian and compute its Cholesky factorization...
277 Gz = Zt*G*Z;
278 L = chol(Gz)';
279 % Solve for the null space component pz...
280 pz = L\(-gz);
281 pz = L'\pz;
282 % Compute the solution...
283 x = Y*py + Z*pz;
284 % Compute the Lagrange multipliers...
285 mu = R\((Y'*(G*x + g)));
286
287 function f = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
288 f = x'*G*x + g'*x;
289
290 function c = constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
291 c = A'*x - b;
292
293 function l = lagrangian(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
294 L = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu) - mu'*constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu);

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### active\_set\_plot.m

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1 function [x,w_act] = active_set_plot(G,A,g,b,x,mu,w_act,D,opts)
2
3 % ACTIVE_SET_PLOT Plotting the objective or the Lagrangian function and the
4 % constraints with feasible regions. The constraints must on the form
5 % A*x >= b. Can only plot for three dimensions.
6
7 % Call
8 %   active_set_plot(G, A, g, b, x, mu, wa, D)
9 %   active_set_plot(G, A, g, b, x, mu, wa, D, opts)
10 %   [x,wa] = active_set_plot( ... )
11
12 % Input parameters
13 % G : The Hessian of the objective function.
14 % A : The constraint matrix of size mx2, where m is the number of
15 %     constraints.
16 % g : Coefficients of linear term in objective function.
17 % b : Righthandside of constraints.
18 % x : Starting point. If x is a matrix of size 2xn, n = 1,2,3,...,
19 %     then the iteration path is plottet. If x is empty, the user will
20 %     be asked to enter a starting point.
21 % mu : The Lagrangian multipliers. If mu is empty, all multipliers will
22 %     be set to zero.
23 % wa : Working set listing the active constraints. If wa is empty, then
24 %     a constraint will be found as active, if x is within a range of
25 %     opts(5) to that constraint.
26 % D : Domain to be plottet, given as [x1(1) x1(2); x2(1) x2(2)].
27 % opts : Vector with six elements.

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28 %           opts(1:2) : Number of grid points in the first and second
29 %                   direction.
30 %           opts(3)  : Number of contour levels.
31 %           opts(4)  : Number of linearly spaced points used for plotting
32 %                   the constraints.
33 %           opts(5)  : A constraint will be found as active, if x is
34 %                   within a range of opts(5) to that constraint.
35 %           opts(6)  : 0: Plotting the contours of the objective function.
36 %                   1: Plotting the contours of the Lagrangian function.
37 %           If opts not, then the default opts = [20 20 50 100 sqrt(eps) 0].
38 %
39 % Output parameters
40 %   x : Same as input x. If input x is empty, then the starting point
41 %       entered by the user.
42 %   w : Same as input w_act. If input w_act is empty, then the list of
43 %       active constraint found upon the input/entered starting point.
44 %
45 % By           : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
46 % In course    : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
47 %               Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
48 % Supervisor   : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove Thomsen,
49 %               Professor.
50 % Date        : 28th January 2007.
51
52 % checking input...
53 error(nargchk(8,9,nargin))
54 A = A';
55 [n,m] = size(A);
56 if isempty(mu)
57     mu = zeros(m,1);
58 end
59 [u,v] = size(D);
60 if u ~= 2 | v ~= 2
61     error('The domain must be a matrix of size 2x2.')
62 end
63 if nargin > 8
64     [u,v] = size(opts(:));
65     if u ~= 6 | v ~= 1
66         error('Opts must be a vector of length 6.')
67     end
68 end
69
70 % default opts...
71 if nargin < 9 | isempty(opts)
72     opts = [20 20 20 20 sqrt(eps) 0]; % [20 20 50 100 sqrt(eps) 0];
73 end
74
75 % function to plot...
76 fun = @objective;
77 if opts(6)
78     fun = @lagrangian;
79 end
80
81 % internal parameters...
82 fsize = 12; % font size
83
84 % plot the contours of the objective or the Lagrangian function...
85 figure(1), clf
86 contourplot(fun,G,A,g,b,mu,D,opts)
87 xlabel('x_1','FontSize',fsize)
88 ylabel('x_2','FontSize',fsize)
89 hold on
90
91 % plot the constraints...
92 if narginout & isempty(x)
93     constplot(@constraints,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act,m,opts,fsize)
94     % title('x = ( , ), f(x) = , W_act = [], \mu = []','FontSize',fsize)
95     % ask user to enter starting point...
96     while isempty(x)
97         disp('Left click on plot to select starting point or press any key to
98             enter starting point in console.')
99         [u,v,but] = ginput(1);
100         if but == 1
101             x = [u v];
102         else
103             while isempty(x) | length(x) ~= 2 | sum(isnan(x)) | sum(isinf(x)) |
104                 sum(~isreal(x)) | ischar(x)
105                 x = input('Enter starting point [x1 x2]: ');
106             end
107         end
108     end
109     x = x(:);
110     figure(1)
111     % find active constraints...
112     if narginout > 1
113         w_act = find(abs(A(2,:)'*x(2) + feval(@constraints,G,A(1,:),g,b,x(1),mu
114             )) <= opts(5))'; % A(2)*x2 + (A(1)*x1 - b) <= eps

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112     if w_act
113         constplot(@constraints ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act,m,opts ,fsize)
114     end
115     title(['x_1=',num2str(x(1,end),2),' ','x_2=',num2str(x(2,end),2),' ','f(x)=',
116         num2str(objective(G,A,g,b,x(:,end),mu),2),' ','W_act=',int2str(
117             w_act),' ','mu=',num2str(mu',2),''],'FontSize',fsize)
118
119     else
120         %if isempty(w_act)
121         % w_act = find(abs(A(2,:) * x(2) + feval(@constraints ,G,A(1,:),g,b,x(1),
122             mu)) <= opts(5))'; % A(2)*x2 + (A(1)*x1 - b) <= eps
123         %end
124         constplot(@constraints ,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act,m,opts ,fsize)
125         title(['x_1=',num2str(x(1,end),2),' ','x_2=',num2str(x(2,end),2),' ','f(x)=',
126             num2str(objective(G,A,g,b,x(:,end),mu),2),' ','W_act=',int2str(w_act),' ',
127                 ],num2str(mu',2),''],'FontSize',fsize)
128     end
129
130     % plot the path...
131     pathplot(x)
132     hold off
133
134     function constplot(fun,G,A,g,b,mu,D,opts)
135     [X1,X2] = meshgrid(linspace(D(1,1),D(1,2),opts(1)),linspace(D(2,1),D(2,2),opts
136         (2)));
137     F = zeros(opts(1:2));
138     for i = 1:opts(1)
139         for j = 1:opts(2)
140             F(i,j) = norm(feval(fun,G,A,g,b,[X1(i,j);X2(i,j)],mu),2);
141         end
142     end
143     contour(X1,X2,F,opts(3))
144
145     function constplot(fun,G,A,g,b,mu,D,w_act,m,opts ,fsize)
146     fcolor = [.4 .4 .4]; falpha = .4; % color and alpha values of faces marking
147         unfeasible region
148     bcolor = [.8 .8 .8]; % background color of constraint numbering
149     x1 = linspace(D(1,1),D(1,2),opts(4));
150     x2 = linspace(D(2,1),D(2,2),opts(4));
151     C = zeros(m,opts(4));
152     for j = 1:opts(4)
153         for i = 1:m
154             if A(2,i) % if A(2) ~= 0
155                 C(i,j) = -feval(fun,G,A(1,i),g,b(i),x1(j),mu)/A(2,i); % x2 = -(A(1)
156                     *x1 - b)/A(2)
157             else
158                 C(i,j) = b(i)/A(1,i); % A(2) = 0 => x1 = b/A(1), must be plottet
159                     reversely as (C(i,:),x2)
160             end
161         end
162     end
163     for i = 1:m
164         if any(i == w_act)
165             lwidth = 1; color = [1 0 0]; % linewidth and color of active
166                 constraints
167         else
168             lwidth = 1; color = [0 0 0]; % linewidth and color of inactive
169                 constraints
170         end
171         if A(2,i) % if A(2) ~= 0
172             if A(2,i) > 0 % if A(2) > 0
173                 fill([D(1,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) D(1,1)], [C(i,1) C(i,end) min(D(2,1),C(i,
174                     end)) min(D(2,1),C(i,1))], fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
175             else
176                 fill([D(1,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) D(1,1)], [C(i,1) C(i,end) max(D(2,2),C(i,
177                     end)) max(D(2,2),C(i,1))], fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
178             end
179             plot(x1,C(i,:), '-','LineWidth',lwidth, 'Color', color)
180             if C(i,1) < D(1,1) % | C(i,1) < D(2,1)
181                 text(-feval(fun,G,A(2,i),g,b(i),D(2,1),mu)/A(1,i),D(2,1),int2str(i)
182                     , 'Color', 'k', 'EdgeColor', color, 'BackgroundColor', bcolor, '
183                         FontSize', fsize) % x1 = -(A(2)*x2 - b)/A(1)
184             else
185                 if C(i,1) > D(2,2)
186                     text(-feval(fun,G,A(2,i),g,b(i),D(2,1),mu)/A(1,i),D(2,1),
187                         int2str(i), 'Color', 'k', 'EdgeColor', color, 'BackgroundColor',
188                             bcolor, 'FontSize', fsize) % x1 = -(A(2)*x2 - b)/A(1)
189                 else
190                     text(D(1,1),C(i,1),int2str(i), 'Color', 'k', 'EdgeColor', color, '
191                         BackgroundColor', bcolor, 'FontSize', fsize)
192                 end
193             end
194         end
195     else
196         if A(1,i) > 0 % if A(1) > 0
197             fill([D(1,1) C(i,1) C(i,end) D(1,1)], [D(2,1) D(2,1) D(2,2) D(2,2)],
198                 fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
199         else
200

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180         fill([C(i,1) D(1,2) D(1,2) C(i,end)],[D(2,1) D(2,1) D(2,2) D(2,2)],
181             fcolor,'FaceAlpha',falpha)
182     end
183     plot(C(i,:),x2,'-', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Color',color)
184     text(C(i,1),D(2,1),int2str(i), 'Color','k', 'EdgeColor',color, '
185         BackgroundColor',bcolor, 'FontSize',fsize)
186 end
187
188 function pathplot(x)
189     lwidth = 2; msz = 6;
190     plot(x(1,1),x(2,1), 'ob', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Markersize',msz) % starting
191         position
192     plot(x(1,:),x(2,:), 'LineWidth',lwidth) % path
193     plot(x(1,end),x(2,end), 'og', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Markersize',msz) % current
194         position
195
196 function f = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
197     f = 0.5*x'*G*x + g'*x;
198
199 function c = constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
200     c = A'*x - b;
201
202 function l = lagrangian(G,A,g,b,x,mu)
203     l = objective(G,A,g,b,x,mu) - mu'*constraints(G,A,g,b,x,mu);

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## quad\_tank\_demo.m

```

1 function quad_tank_demo(t,N,r,F,dF,gam,w,pd)
2
3 % QUAD_TANK_DEMO Demonstration of the quadruple tank process. The water
4 % levels in tank 1 and 2 are controlled according to the set points. The
5 % heights of all four tanks are 50 cm. The workspace is saved as
6 % 'quadruple-tank-process.mat' in current directory, so it is possible to
7 % run the animation again by calling quad_tank_animate without recomputing
8 % the setup.
9 % NOTE: A new call of quad_tank_demo will overwrite the saved workspace
10 % 'quadruple-tank-process.mat'. The file must be deleted manually.
11 %
12 % Call
13 % quad_tank_demo(t,N,r,F,dF,gam,pd)
14 %
15 % Input parameters
16 % t : [min] Simulation time of tank process. 1 <= t <= 30. Default is
17 % 5. The time is plotted as seconds. The last discrete point is not
18 % animated/plotted.
19 % N : Discretization of t. 5 <= N <= 100, must be an integer. Default
20 % is 10. Number of variables is 6*N and number of constraints is
21 % 24*N.
22 % r : [cm] Set points of tank 1 and 2. 0 <= r(i) <= 50. Default is
23 % [30 30].
24 % F : [l/min] Max flow rates of pump 1 and 2. 0 <= F(i) <= 1000.
25 % Default is [500 500].
26 % dF : [1/min^2] Min/max change in flow rates of pump 1 and 2. -100 <=point
27 % dF(i) <= 100. Default is [pump1 pump2] = [-50 50 -50 50].
28 % gam : Fraction of flow from pump 1 and 2 going directly to tank 1 and
29 % 2. 0 <= gam(i) <= 1. Default is [0.45 0.40].
30 % w : Setting priority of controlling water level in tank 1 and 2
31 % relative to one another. 1 <= w(i) <= 1000. Default is [1 1].
32 % pd : 1: Using primal active set method, 2: Using dual active set
33 % method. Default is 2.
34 % If input parameters are empty, then default values are used.
35 %
36 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
37 % Check nargin/nargout
38 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
39 error(nargchk(7,8,nargin))
40 error(nargoutchk(0,0,nargout))
41 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
42 % Check input
43 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
44 % Check t...
45 if isempty(t)
46     t = 5*60; % t = min*sec
47 else
48     t = check_input(t,1,30,1)*60; % t = min*sec
49 end
50 % Check N...
51 if isempty(N)
52     N = 10;

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53 else
54     if mod(N,1)
55         error('N must be an integer.')
56     end
57     N = check_input(N,5,100,1);
58 end
59 % Check r...
60 if isempty(r)
61     r = [30 30];
62 else
63     r = check_input(r,0,50,2);
64 end
65 % Check F...
66 if isempty(F)
67     F = [500 500];
68 else
69     F = check_input(F,0,1000,2);
70 end
71 % Check dF...
72 if isempty(dF)
73     dF = [-50 50 -50 50];
74 else
75     dF = check_input(dF,-100,100,4);
76 end
77 % Check gam...
78 if isempty(gam)
79     gam = [0.45 0.4];
80 else
81     gam = check_input(gam,0,1,2);
82 end
83 % Check w...
84 if isempty(w)
85     w = [1 1];
86 else
87     w = check_input(w,1,1000,2);
88 end
89 % Check pd...
90 if nargin < 8 | isempty(pd)
91     pd = 2;
92 else
93     if mod(pd,1)
94         error('pd must be an integer.')
95     end
96     pd = check_input(pd,1,2,1);
97 end
98 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
99 % Startup info %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
100 if N >= 30
101     cont = 'do';
102     while ~strcmp(lower(cont),'y') & ~strcmp(lower(cont),'n')
103         cont = input('N >= 30, so computational time will be several minutes, _
104             do you want to continue?_y/n_[y]='','s');
105         if isempty(cont)
106             cont = 'y';
107             fprintf('\b')
108             disp('y')
109         end
110         %disp(' ')
111     end
112     if cont == 'n'
113         disp('Simulation terminated by user.')
114         return
115     end
116 end
117 disp(['N==',int2str(N),'_so number of variables is_',int2str(6*N),'_and_
118     number of constraints is_',int2str(24*N),''])
119 disp(['t==',num2str(t,2),'_gam==[',num2str(gam,2),'_]_w==[',num2str(w,2),'_]
120     ],')
121 disp(['r==[',num2str(r),'_]_F==[',num2str(F,2),'_]_dF==[',num2str(dF,2),'_]')
122     ])
123 disp('Computing simulation, please wait...')
124 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
125 % Setup demo %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
126 % UI %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
127 % physics...
128 g = 5; % gravity is small due to linearized system
129 % time span and number of sampling points...
130 tspan = [0 t];%360];
131 % weights matrices...
132 Q = [w(1) 0; 0 w(2)]; % weight matrix, used in Q-norm, setting priority of h1
133     and h2 relative to each other
134 Hw = 1e6; % weighing h1 and h2 (= Hw) in relation to h3, h4, u1 and u2 (= 1)
135 % pump 1...

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135 Fmin1 = 0; Fmax1 = F(1); % minmax flows
136 dFmin1 = dF(1); dFmax1 = dF(2); % minmax rate of change in flow
137 F10 = 0; % initial value
138 % pump 2...
139 Fmin2 = 0; Fmax2 = F(2); % minmax flows
140 dFmin2 = dF(3); dFmax2 = dF(4); % minmax rate of change in flow
141 F20 = 0; % initial value
142 % valve 1...
143 gam1 = gam(1);
144 % valve 2...
145 gam2 = gam(2);
146 % tank 1...
147 r1 = r(1); % set point
148 hmin1 = 0; hmax1 = 50; % minmax heights
149 h10 = 0; % initial value
150 % tank 2...
151 r2 = r(2); % set point
152 hmin2 = 0; hmax2 = 50; % minmax heights
153 h20 = 0; % initial value
154 % tank 3...
155 hmin3 = 0; hmax3 = 50; % minmax heights
156 h30 = 0; % initial value
157 % tank 4...
158 hmin4 = 0; hmax4 = 50; % minmax heights
159 h40 = 0; % initial value
160
161 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
162 % Initiate variables %
163 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
164 % pumps...
165 umin = [Fmin1 Fmin2]';
166 umax = [Fmax1 Fmax2]';
167 dumin = [dFmin1 dFmin2]';
168 dumax = [dFmax1 dFmax2]';
169 % valves...
170 gam = [gam1 gam2];
171 % tanks...
172 bmin = [hmin1 hmin2 hmin3 hmin4]';
173 bmax = [hmax1 hmax2 hmax3 hmax4]';
174 % set points...
175 r = [r1 r2]';
176 % initial values...
177 x0 = [h10 h20 h30 h40]';
178 %u0 = [F10 F20]';
179 u0minus1 = [F10 F20]';
180 Q = Hw*Q; % weight matrix, used in Q-norm, setting priority of h1 and h2
      relative to each other
181 dt = (tspan(2) - tspan(1))/N;
182
183 nx = length(x0);
184 nu = length(u0minus1);
185
186 a1 = 1.2272;
187 a2 = 1.2272;
188 a3 = 1.2272;
189 a4 = 1.2272;
190 A1 = 380.1327;
191 A2 = 380.1327;
192 A3 = 380.1327;
193 A4 = 380.1327;
194
195 Ac = 2*g*[-a1/A1 0 a3/A1 0;
196           0 -a2/A2 0 a4/A2;
197           0 0 -a3/A3 0;
198           0 0 0 -a4/A4];
199
200 Bc = [gam1/A1 0;
201       0 gam2/A2;
202       0 (1 - gam2)/A3;
203       (1 - gam1)/A4 0];
204
205 Cc = [1 0 0 0;
206       0 1 0 0];
207
208 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
209 % % build the object function Hessian and gradient:
210 % %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
211
212 Qx = dt*Cc'*Q*Cc; % should this have non-zero
      elements in the diagonal??
213 Qx = add2mat(Qx,eye(2),3,3,'rep'); % => ASSURES THAT HESSIAN IS POSITIVE
      DEFINITE
214 Qu = eye(nu); % only purpose is to make dimensions fit
      and to remain positive definite
215 %Qu = zeros(nu);
216 qx = -dt*Cc'*Q*r; % qk in text

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217 | qu = zeros(2,1); % only purpose is to make
      | dimensions fit
218
219 | H = zeros(N*(nx+nu)); % Hessian
220 | g = zeros(N*(nx+nu),1); % gradient
221 | for i = 1:N
222 |     % if i > floor(N/2)
223 |     % r(2) = 20
224 |     % qx = -dt*Cc'*Q*r
225 |     % end
226 |     j = 1+(i-1)*(nu+nx);
227 |     H = add2mat(H,Qu,j,j,'rep');
228 |     g = add2mat(g,qu,j,1,'rep');
229 |     H = add2mat(H,Qx,j+nu,j+nu,'rep');
230 |     g = add2mat(g,qx,j+nu,1,'rep');
231 | end
232
233 | % #####
234 | % Build A_c (general constraint matrix), upper and lower bounds for
235 | % general constraints (bl and bu) and upper and lower bounds for
236 | % variables (u and l)
237 | % #####
238
239 | Ix = eye(nx);
240 | Iu = eye(nu);
241 | A = Ix + dt*Ac;
242 | B = dt*Bc;
243 | Ax0 = A*x0;
244 | zerox = zeros(nx,1);
245 | zerou = zeros(nu,1);
246
247 | n = N*(nx+nu); % number of variables
248 | m = N*(nx+nu); % number of general constraints
249 | A_c = zeros(m,n); % new A matrix (carsten) (general constraints are rows
      | => we will transpose it later)
250 | l = zeros(n,1); % lower bounds for variables
251 | u = zeros(n,1); % upper bounds for variables
252 | bl = zeros(m,1); % lower bounds for general constraints
253 | bu = zeros(m,1); % upper bounds for general constraints
254
255 | row = 1;
256 | col = 1;
257 | A_c = add2mat(A_c,B,row,col,'rep');
258 | A_c = add2mat(A_c,-Ix,row,col+nu,'rep');
259 | bl = add2mat(bl,-Ax0,row,1,'rep');
260 | bu = add2mat(bu,Ax0,row,1,'rep');
261 | for i = 1:N-1
262 |     row = 1+i*nx; % start row for new k
263 |     col = 3+(i-1)*(nx+nu); % start column for new k
264 |     A_c = add2mat(A_c,A,row,col,'rep');
265 |     A_c = add2mat(A_c,B,row,col+nx,'rep');
266 |     A_c = add2mat(A_c,-Ix,row,col+nx+nu,'rep');
267 |     bl = add2mat(bl,zerox,row,1,'rep');
268 |     bu = add2mat(bu,zerox,row,1,'rep');
269 | end
270
271 | row = N*nx+1;
272 | A_c = add2mat(A_c,Iu,row,1,'rep');
273 | bl = add2mat(bl,dumin+u0minus1,row,1,'rep');
274 | bu = add2mat(bu,dumax-u0minus1,row,1,'rep');
275 | for i = 1:N-1
276 |     row = row+nu;
277 |     col = 1+(i)*(nu+nx);
278
279 |     A_c = add2mat(A_c,Iu,row,col,'rep');
280 |     A_c = add2mat(A_c,-Iu,row,col-(nx+nu),'rep');
281 |     bl = add2mat(bl,dumin,row,1,'rep');
282 |     bu = add2mat(bu,dumax,row,1,'rep');
283 | end
284
285 | for i = 0:N-1
286 |     row = 1+i*(nx+nu);
287 |     l = add2mat(l,u0min,row,1,'rep');
288 |     u = add2mat(u,u0max,row,1,'rep');
289 |     l = add2mat(l,bmin,row+nu,1,'rep');
290 |     u = add2mat(u,bmax,row+nu,1,'rep');
291 | end
292
293 | if pd == 1
294 |     x = LP_solver(l,u,A_c,bl,bu);
295 | else
296 |     x = [];
297 | end
298 | [x,info] = QP_solver(H,g,l,u,A_c,bl,bu,x);
299 | disp('Performance_information_of_active_set_method:');
300 | info
301

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302 % #####
303 % plots of quad-tank process
304 % #####
305 output = x;
306 % making t...
307 t = tspan(1):dt:tspan(2);
308 % making h, F, df...
309 u0 = output(1:2);
310 x1 = output(3:6);
311 nul0 = B*u0-Ix*x1+Ax0;
312 nul0 = nul0'*nul0;
313 x_k = x1;
314 h = x_k(1:2);
315 heights(:,1)=x0;
316 heights(:,2)=x_k;
317 flow(:,1) = u0minus1;
318 flow(:,2) = u0;
319 for k = 1:N-1
320     ks = 3+(k-1)*(nx+nu);
321     u_k = output(ks+4:ks+5);
322     x_k_plus = output(ks+6:ks+9);
323
324     nul_k = A*x_k+B*u_k-Ix*x_k_plus;
325     nul_k = nul_k'*nul_k;
326
327     x_k = x_k_plus;
328     % h = x_k(1:2);
329     heights(:,k+2)=x_k;
330     flow(:,k+2) = u_k;
331 end
332 dF = [diff(flow(1,:)); diff(flow(2,:))];
333 % plot...
334 fsize = 10;
335 figure(1), clf
336 subplot(4,2,1)
337 plot(t,heights(1,:), '-o')
338 hold on
339 plot(t,r(1)*ones(1,N+1),'r')
340 plot(t,hmax1*ones(1,N+1),'k')
341 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('h_1_ [cm]','FontSize',fsize)% , legend
342     ('h_1_','r_1')
343 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
344 subplot(4,2,2)
345 plot(t,heights(2,:), '-o')
346 hold on
347 plot(t,r(2)*ones(1,N+1),'r')
348 plot(t,hmax2*ones(1,N+1),'k')
349 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('h_2_ [cm]','FontSize',fsize)% , legend
350     ('h_2_','r_2')
351 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
352 subplot(4,2,3)
353 plot(t,heights(3,:), '-o')
354 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('h_3_ [cm]','FontSize',fsize)
355 hold on
356 plot(t,hmax3*ones(1,N+1),'k')
357 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
358 subplot(4,2,4)
359 plot(t,heights(4,:), '-o')
360 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('h_4_ [cm]','FontSize',fsize)
361 hold on
362 plot(t,hmax4*ones(1,N+1),'k')
363 axis([tspan(1) tspan(2) 0 50])
364 subplot(4,2,5)
365 plot(t(1:end)-dt,flow(1,:), '-o')
366 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F_1_ [cm^3/s]','FontSize',fsize)
367 axis([t(1)-dt tspan(2) 0 Fmax1])
368 subplot(4,2,6)
369 plot(t(1:end)-dt,flow(2,:), '-o')
370 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F_2_ [cm^3/s]','FontSize',fsize)
371 %stairs(flow(2,:))
372 axis([t(1)-dt tspan(2) 0 Fmax2])
373 subplot(4,2,7)
374 plot(t(1:end-1)-dt,dF(1,:), '-o')
375 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('\Delta_ F_1_ [cm^3/s^2]','FontSize',
376     fsize)
377 axis([t(1)-dt tspan(2) dFmin1 dFmax1])
378 subplot(4,2,8)
379 plot(t(1:end-1)-dt,dF(2,:), '-o')
380 xlabel('t_ [s]','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('\Delta_ F_2_ [cm^3/s^2]','FontSize',
381     fsize)
382 axis([t(1)-dt tspan(2) dFmin2 dFmax2])
383 hold off
384 % #####
385 % Animate demo
386 % #####
387 save quadruple_tank_process
388 quad_tank_animate

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385 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
386 % Auxiliary function(s) %
387 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
388 function v = check_input(v,l,u,n)
389 v = v(:)';
390 m = length(v);
391 if m ~= n
392     error(['num2str(inputname(1))','_must_be_a_vector_of_length_',int2str(n)','. '
393         ']);
394 end
395 for i = 1:n
396     if ischar(v(i)) | ~isreal(v(i)) | isinf(v(i)) | isnan(v(i)) | v(i) < 1 | u
397         < v(i)
398         error(['num2str(inputname(1))','(',int2str(i),')_must_be_in_range_',
399             num2str(1),'<=value<=',num2str(u),'. ']);
400     end
401 end

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## quad\_tank\_animate.m

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1 % #####
2 % animation of quad-tank process
3 % #####
4 load('quadruple_tank_process')
5 output = x;
6 % making t...
7 t = tspan(1):dt:tspan(2);
8 % making h, F, df...
9 u0 = output(1:2);
10 x1 = output(3:6);
11 nul0 = B*u0-I*x1+Ax0;
12 nul0 = nul0'*nul0;
13 x_k = x1;
14 h = x_k(1:2);
15 heights(:,1)=x0;
16 heights(:,2)=x_k;
17 flow(:,1) = u0minus1;
18 flow(:,2) = u0;
19 for k = 1:N-1
20     ks = 3+(k-1)*(nx+nu);
21     u_k = output(ks+4:ks+5);
22     x_k_plus = output(ks+6:ks+9);
23
24     nul_k = A*x_k+B*u_k-I*x_k_plus;
25     nul_k = nul_k'*nul_k;
26
27     x_k = x_k_plus;
28     % h = x_k(1:2)
29     heights(:,k+2)=x_k;
30     flow(:,k+2) = u_k;
31 end
32 dF = [diff(flow(1,:)); diff(flow(2,:))];
33 for i = 1:length(t)-1
34     figure(2)
35     quad_tank_plot(t(i),heights(:,i),bmax,r,flow(:,i),dF(:,i),gam)
36     M(i) = getframe;
37 end
38
39 % make movie for presentation...
40 reply = input('Do you want to make 4_tank_demo_movie.avi file?_y/n_[y]:_','s');
41
42 if isempty(reply) | reply == 'y'
43     fps = input('Specify_fps_in.avi_file?_[15]:_');
44     if isempty(fps)
45         fps = 15;
46     end
47     disp('Making.avi file ,_please_wait...')
48     movie2avi(M,'4_tank_demo_movie.avi','fps',fps)
49     disp('Finished_making.avi file...')
50 end

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## SQP\_demo.m

```

1 function SQP_demo
2
3 % SQP_DEMO Interactive demonstration of the SQP method. The example problem
4 % is the following nonlinear program:
5 %       min   f(x) = x1^4 + x2^4
6 %       s.t.  x2 >= x1^2 - x1 + 1
7 %            x2 >= x1^2 - 4x1 + 6
8 %            x2 <= -x1^2 + 3x1 + 2
9 %
10 % Call
11 %   SQP_demo()
12 %
13 % By           : Carsten V\olcker, s961572.
14 %              Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
15 % Subject      : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization.
16 %              M.Sc., IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
17 % Supervisor   : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor.
18 %              Per Grove Thomsen, Professor.
19 % Date         : 07. June 2007.
20
21 close all
22 it_max = 1000;
23 method = 1;
24 tol = 1e-8; opts = [tol it_max method];
25
26 pi0 = [0 0 0]'; % because we have three nonlinear constraints.
27 plot_scene(@costfun);
28
29 disp('Left click on plot to select starting point or press any key center
30      starting point in console. ')
31 [u,v,but] = ginput(1);
32 if but == 1
33     x0 = [u v];
34 else
35     while isempty(x) | length(x) ~= 2 | sum(isnan(x)) | sum(isinf(x)) | sum(~
36         isreal(x)) | ischar(x)
37         x0 = input('Enter starting point [x1 x2]: ');
38     end
39 end
40 x0 = x0';
41 pathplot(x0)
42 fsize = 12;
43 fsize_small = 10;
44 f0 = costfun(x0);
45 g0 = modfun(x0);
46 c = costsens(x0);
47 A = modsens(x0);
48 W = eye(length(x0));
49 w_non = (1:1:length(g0));
50 plotNewtonStep = 1;
51 stop = 0;
52 tol = opts(1);
53 max_itr = opts(2);
54 itr = 0;
55 while ~stop
56     disp('Press any key to continue...')
57     pause
58     X(:,itr+1) = x0;
59     if plotNewtonStep
60         W = hessian(x0, pi0);
61     else
62         hold on
63         pathplot(X)
64     end
65     itr = itr+1;
66     if (itr > max_itr)
67         stop = 1;
68     end
69 end
70 [delta_x, mu, dummy] = dual_active_set_method(W, c, A, -g0, w_non, [], opts, 0);
71 if (abs(c'*delta_x) + abs(mu'*g0)) < tol
72     disp('solution has been found')
73     stop = 1;
74 else
75     if itr == 1
76         sigma = abs(mu);
77     else
78         for i=1:length(mu)
79             sigma(i) = max(abs(mu(i)), 0.5*(sigma(i)+abs(mu(i))));
80         end
81     end
82 end
83 [alpha, x, f, g] = line_search_algorithm(@modfun, @costfun, f0, g0, c, x0,
84     delta_x, sigma, 1e-4);

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84
85     pii = pi0 + alpha*(mu-pi0);
86
87     % here the newton step is plotted
88     if plotNewtonStep
89         t_span = linspace(-1,3,100);
90         for i = 1:length(t_span)
91             x_hat = x0+t_span(i)*delta_x;
92             pi_hat = pi0+t_span(i)*(mu-pi0);
93             nabla_fx = costsens(x_hat);
94             nabla_hx = modsens(x_hat);
95             y_val(:,i) = nabla_fx - nabla_hx*pi_hat;
96         end
97
98         subplot(1,3,1)
99         hold off
100        plot_scene(@costfun);
101        X_temp = X;
102        X_temp(:,itr+1) = x;%0+delta_x;
103        x_fin = x;%x0+alpha*delta_x;
104        pathplot(X_temp)
105        title({'x_{old}'==>{num2str(x0(1))','}, {num2str(x0(2))}'^T'; ['x_{new}'==>{num2str(x_fin(1))','}, {num2str(x_fin(2))}'^T]'],'FontSize',fsize_small);
106        xlabel('x_1','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('x_2','FontSize',fsize)
107
108        subplot(1,3,2)
109        hold off
110        plot(t_span,y_val(1,:));
111
112        nabla_fx = costsens(x0);
113        nabla_hx = modsens(x0);
114        startPos = nabla_fx - nabla_hx*pi0;
115        startPos_y = startPos(1);
116        startPos_x = 0;
117
118        endPos_x = 1;
119        endPos_y = 0;
120
121        hold on
122        plot([startPos_x endPos_x],[startPos_y endPos_y],'LineWidth',2) % path
123        plot([startPos_x alpha],[startPos_y (1-alpha)*startPos_y],'LineWidth',2,'color','r') % path
124        plot([t_span(1) t_span(end)],[0 0],'--') % y=0
125
126        pi_fin = pi0+alpha*(mu-pi0);
127        nabla_fx_fin = costsens(x_fin);
128        nabla_hx_fin = modsens(x_fin);
129        endvalue = nabla_fx_fin - nabla_hx_fin*pi_fin;
130
131        title({'F(x_1)'_{old}'==>{num2str(startPos_y)}; {'F(x_1)'_{new}'==>{num2str(endvalue(1))}'],'FontSize',fsize_small);
132        xlabel('\alpha','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F_1','FontSize',fsize)
133
134        subplot(1,3,3)
135        hold off
136        plot(t_span,y_val(2,:));
137        startPos_y = startPos(2);
138        hold on
139        plot([startPos_x endPos_x],[startPos_y endPos_y],'LineWidth',2) % path
140        plot([startPos_x alpha],[startPos_y (1-alpha)*startPos_y],'LineWidth',2,'color','r') % path
141        plot([t_span(1) t_span(end)],[0 0],'--') % y=0
142        title({'F(x_2)'_{old}'==>{num2str(startPos_y)}; {'F(x_2)'_{new}'==>{num2str(endvalue(2))}'],'FontSize',fsize_small);
143        xlabel('\alpha','FontSize',fsize), ylabel('F_2','FontSize',fsize)
144
145        end
146        nabla_L0 = c-A*pii;
147        c = costsens(x);
148        A = modsens(x);
149        nabla_L = c-A*pii;
150        s = x - x0;
151        y = nabla_L - nabla_L0;
152        sy = s'*y;
153        sWs = s'*Ws;
154        if (sy >= 0.2*sWs)
155            theta = 1;
156        else
157            theta = (0.8*sWs)/(sWs-sy);
158        end
159        Ws = W*s;
160        sW = s'*W;
161        r = theta*y+(1-theta)*Ws;
162        W = W-(Ws*sW)/sWs+(r*r')/(s'*r);
163        x0 = x;

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163         pi0 = pii;
164         f0 = f;
165         g0 = g;
166     end
167 end
168
169 function pathplot(x)
170     lwidth = 2; msize = 6; fsize = 12;
171     plot(x(1,1),x(2,1), 'ob', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Markersize',msize) % starting
172         position
173     plot(x(1,:),x(2,:), 'LineWidth',lwidth) % path
174     plot(x(1,:),x(2,:), 'ob', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Markersize',msize) % path
175     plot(x(1,end),x(2,end), 'og', 'LineWidth',lwidth, 'Markersize',msize) % current
176         position
177     title(['x_1=_' , num2str(x(1,end)) , ' , ' , num2str(x(2,end)) , ''], 'FontSize', fsize)
178
179 function fx = costfun(x)
180 % The function to be minimized
181 fx = x(1)*x(1)+x(1)*x(2)+x(2)*x(2); % : cost = (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
182
183 function dx = costsens(x)
184 % The gradient of the cost function
185 dx =[4*x(1)*x(1)+x(2); 4*x(2)*x(2)]; % : gradient of (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
186
187
188 function fx = modfun(x)
189 % The constraints
190 c1 = -x(1)^2+x(1)+x(2)-1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
191 c2 = -x(1)^2+4*x(1)+x(2)-6; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
192 c3 = -x(1).^2+3*x(1)-x(2)+2; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
193 fx = [c1 c2 c3]';
194
195 function dfx = modsens(x)
196 % gradient of the constraints
197
198 dc1 = [-2*x(1)+1 1]'; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
199 dc2 = [-2*x(1)+4 1]'; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
200 dc3 = [-2*x(1)+3 -1]'; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
201 dfx = [dc1 dc2 dc3];
202
203 function H = hessian(x,mu)
204
205 HessCtr1 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
206 HessCtr2 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
207 HessCtr3 = [-2 0; 0 0]; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
208
209 HessCost = [12*x(1)*x(1) 0;
210             0 12*x(2)*x(2)]; % : cost = (X1.^4 + X2.^4);
211
212 H = HessCost-(mu(1)*HessCtr1)-(mu(2)*HessCtr2)-(mu(3)*HessCtr3);
213
214 function plot_scene(costfun, varargin)
215 fcolor = [4 4 4]; falpha = .4; % color and alpha values of faces marking
216     unfeasible region
217 plot_left = -5;
218 plot_right = 5;
219 plot_bottom = -5;
220 plot_top = 5;
221 plotdetails = 30;
222 linspace_details = 100;
223 contours = 10;
224 ctr1 = 1;
225 ctr2 = 1;
226 ctr3 = 0;
227 ctr4 = 0;
228 ctr5 = 1;
229 % constraints defined for z=0
230 % constraints defined for z=0
231 x_ctr = linspace(plot_left, plot_right, linspace_details);
232 y_ctr1 = x_ctr.^2-x_ctr+1; ctr1_geq = 1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - x1 + 1
233 y_ctr2 = x_ctr.^2 - 4*x_ctr + 6; ctr2_geq = 1; % x2 >= x1.^2 - 4x1 + 6
234 y_ctr3 = sin(x_ctr) + 3; ctr3_geq = 0; % x2 <= sin(x1) + 3
235 y_ctr4 = cos(x_ctr) + 2; ctr4_geq = 1; % x2 >= cos(x1) + 2
236
237 y_ctr5 = -x_ctr.^2+3*x_ctr+2; ctr5_geq = 0; % x2 <= -x1.^2 + 3x1 + 2
238 % constraints defined for z=0
239 % plot the cost function
240 % constraints defined for z=0
241 delta = dist(plot_left, plot_right)/plotdetails;
242 [X1,X2] = meshgrid(plot_left:delta:plot_right); %create a matrix of (X,Y) from
243     vector
244 for i = 1:length(X1)
245     for j = 1:length(X2)

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245     cost(i,j) = feval(costfun , [X1(i,j) X2(i,j)]);% varargin{:});
246     end
247 end
248 %figure(1)
249 % mesh(X1,X2,cost)
250 %figure
251 contour(X1,X2,cost , contours)
252 hold on
253
254 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
255 % plot the constraints
256 %%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
257 buttom_final = [];
258 top_final = [];
259 [top_final, buttom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctr1, ctr1_geq, ctr1, plot_left,
    plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, buttom_final, fcolor, falpha
    );
260 [top_final, buttom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctr2, ctr2_geq, ctr2, plot_left,
    plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, buttom_final, fcolor, falpha
    );
261 [top_final, buttom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctr3, ctr3_geq, ctr3, plot_left,
    plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, buttom_final, fcolor, falpha
    );
262 [top_final, buttom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctr4, ctr4_geq, ctr4, plot_left,
    plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, buttom_final, fcolor, falpha
    );
263
264 [top_final, buttom_final] = plot_ctr(x_ctr, y_ctr5, ctr5_geq, ctr5, plot_left,
    plot_right, plot_bottom, plot_top, top_final, buttom_final, fcolor, falpha
    );
265
266 if ~isempty(top_final) && isempty(buttom_final)
267     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_bottom top_final plot_bottom],
    fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
268 end
269 if ~isempty(buttom_final) && isempty(top_final)
270     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_top buttom_final plot_top],fcolor, '
    FaceAlpha', falpha)
271 end
272 if ~isempty(buttom_final) && ~isempty(top_final)
273     temp = top_final;
274     top_final = max(top_final, buttom_final);
275     fill([x_ctr],[top_final],fcolor, 'FaceAlpha', falpha)
276     fill([plot_left x_ctr plot_right],[plot_bottom temp plot_bottom],fcolor, '
    FaceAlpha', falpha)
277 end
278
279 function [top_fin, buttom_fin] = plot_ctr(x_span, y_span, geq, plott, left,
    right, buttom, top, top_fin, buttom_fin, color, alpha)
280 if plott
281     plot(x_span, y_span, 'bla')
282     if geq
283         if isempty(top_fin) % first call
284             top_fin = y_span;
285         else
286             top_fin = max(top_fin, y_span);
287         end
288     else
289         if isempty(buttom_fin)
290             buttom_fin = y_span;
291         else
292             buttom_fin = min(buttom_fin, y_span);
293         end
294     end
295 end
end

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## D.6 Auxiliary Functions

add2mat.m

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1  % ADD2MAT Add/subtract/replace elements of two matrices of different sizes.
2  %
3  % Syntax:
4  %   NEWMATRIX = ADD2MAT(MATRIX1, MATRIX2, INITATROW, INITATCOLUMN, ADDSTYLE)
5  %
6  % Description:
7  %   Addition or subtraction between or replacement of elements in MATRIX1
8  %   by MATRIX2. MATRIX1 and MATRIX2 can be of different sizes, as long as
9  %   MATRIX2 fits inside MATRIX1 with respect to the initial point. MATRIX2
10 %   operates on MATRIX1 starting from the initial point
11 %   (INITATROW, INITATCOLUMN) in MATRIX1.
12 %
13 %   ADDSTYLE = 'add': Building NEWMATRIX by adding MATRIX2 to elements in
14 %   MATRIX1.
15 %   ADDSTYLE = 'sub': Building NEWMATRIX by subtracting MATRIX2 from elements
16 %   in MATRIX1.
17 %   ADDSTYLE = 'mul': Building NEWMATRIX by elementwise multiplication of
18 %   MATRIX2
19 %   and elements in MATRIX1.
20 %   ADDSTYLE = 'div': Building NEWMATRIX by elementwise division of MATRIX2
21 %   and elements in MATRIX1.
22 %   ADDSTYLE = 'rep': Building NEWMATRIX by replacing elements in MATRIX1 with
23 %   MATRIX2.
24 % Example:
25 %   >> A = [1 2 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 9 10 11 12; 13 14 15 16]
26 %
27 %   A =
28 %
29 %       1     2     3     4
30 %       5     6     7     8
31 %       9    10    11    12
32 %      13    14    15    16
33 %
34 %   >> b = [1 1 1]
35 %
36 %   b =
37 %
38 %       1     1     1
39 %
40 %   >> B = diag(b)
41 %
42 %   B =
43 %
44 %       1     0     0
45 %       0     1     0
46 %       0     0     1
47 %
48 %   >> C = add2mat(A,B,2,2,'rep')
49 %
50 %   C =
51 %
52 %       1     2     3     4
53 %       5     1     0     0
54 %       9     0     1     0
55 %      13     0     0     1
56 %
57 % See also DIAG2MAT, DIAG, CAT.
58 %
59 % -----
60 % ADD2MAT Version 3.0
61 % Made by Carsten V(oe)lcker, <s961572@student.dtu.dk>
62 % in MATLAB Version 6.5 Release 13
63 % -----
64
65 function matrix3 = add2mat(matrix1, matrix2, initm, initn, addstyle)
66
67 if nargin < 5
68     error('Not enough input arguments.')
69 end
70 if ~isnumeric(matrix1)
71     error('MATRIX1 must be a matrix.')
72 end
73 if ~isnumeric(matrix2)
74     error('MATRIX2 must be a matrix.')
75 end
76 if ~isnumeric(initm) || length(initm) ~= 1
77     error('INITATROW must be an integer.')

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78 end
79 if ~isnumeric(initn) || length(initn) ~= 1
80     error('INITATCOLUMN must be an integer.')
81 end
82 if ~isstr(addstyle)
83     error('ADDSTYLE not defined.')
84 end
85 [m1,n1] = size(matrix1);
86 [m2,n2] = size(matrix2);
87 if m2 > m1 || n2 > n1
88     error(['MATRIX2 with dimension(s) ',int2str(m2),'x',int2str(n2),' does not
            fit inside MATRIX1 with dimension(s) ',...
            ,int2str(m1),'x',int2str(n1),''])
89 end
90
91 if initm > m1 || initn > n1
92     error(['Initial point(',int2str(initm),' ',int2str(initn),') exceeds
            dimension(s) ',int2str(m1),'x',int2str(n1),...
            ', of MATRIX1.'])
93 end
94
95 if initm+m2-1 > m1 || initn+n2-1 > n1
96     error(['With initial point(',int2str(initm),' ',int2str(initn),')
            dimension(s) ',int2str(m2),'x',int2str(n2),...
            ', of MATRIX2 exceeds dimension(s) ',int2str(m1),'x',int2str(n1),
            ', of MATRIX1.'])
97 end
98
99 switch addstyle
100 case 'add'
101     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
102         initn:initn+n2-1)+matrix2;
103     matrix3 = matrix1;
104 case 'sub'
105     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
106         initn:initn+n2-1)-matrix2;
107     matrix3 = matrix1;
108 case 'mul'
109     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
110         initn:initn+n2-1).*matrix2;
111     matrix3 = matrix1;
112 case 'div'
113     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,
114         initn:initn+n2-1)./matrix2;
115     matrix3 = matrix1;
116 case 'rep'
117     matrix1(initm:initm+m2-1,initn:initn+n2-1) = matrix2;
118     matrix3 = matrix1;
119 end

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### line\_search\_algorithm.m

```

1 function [alpha,x,f,g] = line_search_algorithm(modfun,costfun,f0,g0,c,x0,
2     delta_x,sigma,c1,varargin)
3
4 % LINESEARCH_ALGORITHM implemented according to Powells ll-Penalty
5 % function
6 %
7 % By : Carsten V\olcker, s961572 & Esben Lundsager Hansen, s022022.
8 % Subject : Numerical Methods for Sequential Quadratic Optimization,
9 % Master Thesis, IMM, DTU, DK-2800 Lyngby.
10 % Supervisor : John Bagterp Jørgensen, Assistant Professor & Per Grove
11 % Thomsen, Professor.
12 % Date : 08. february 2007.
13
14 n0 = sigma'*abs(g0);
15 T0 = f0+n0;
16 dT0 = c'*delta_x-n0;
17 alpha1 = 1;%alpha_val;%1;
18
19 x = x0+alpha1*delta_x;
20 f = feval(costfun, x, varargin{:});
21 g = feval(modfun, x, varargin{:});
22 T1 = f+sigma'*abs(g);
23
24 if T1 <= T0+c1*dT0
25     alpha = alpha1;
26     return
27 end
28
29 alpha_min = dT0/(2*(T0+dT0-T1));
30 alpha2 = max(0.1*alpha1, alpha_min); % skal 0.1 være c1 i stedet for??

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30 x = x0+alpha2*delta_x;
31 f = feval(costfun , x, varargin{:});
32 g = feval(modfun , x, varargin{:});
33 T2 = f+sigma'*abs(g);
34
35 if T2 <= T0+c1*alpha2*dT0
36     alpha = alpha2;
37     return
38 end
39
40 stop = 0;
41 max_itr = 100;
42 itr = 0;
43 while ~stop
44     itr = itr+1;
45     if itr > max_itr
46         disp('line_search_(itr_>_mat_itr)');
47         stop = 1;
48     end
49
50     ab = 1/(alpha1-alpha2)*[1/(alpha1*alpha1) -1/(alpha2*alpha2);-alpha2/(
51         alpha1*alpha1) alpha1/(alpha2*alpha2)]*[T1-dT0*alpha1-T0; T2-dT0*
52         alpha2-T0];
53     a = ab(1);
54     b = ab(2);
55     if ( abs(a)<eps )
56         alpha_min = -dT0/b;
57     else
58         alpha_min = (-b+(sqrt(b*b-3*a*dT0)))/3*a;
59     end
60     if ( alpha_min <= 0.1*alpha2 )
61         alpha = 0.1*alpha2;
62     else
63         if (alpha_min >= 0.5*alpha2)
64             alpha = 0.5*alpha2;
65         else
66             alpha = alpha_min;
67         end
68     end
69     x = x0+alpha*delta_x;
70     f = feval(costfun , x, varargin{:});
71     g = feval(modfun , x, varargin{:});
72     T_alpha = f+sigma'*abs(g);
73
74     if T_alpha <= T0+c1*alpha*dT0
75         return
76     end
77     alpha1 = alpha2;
78     alpha2 = alpha;
79     T1 = T2;
80     T2 = T_alpha;
81 end

```

