

Explicit convex hull description of bivariate quadratic sets with indicator variables

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MIQCPs with indicator variables

- Consider a mixed-integer quadratically constrained optimization problem (MIQCP) with indicator variables of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x^T Q_0 x + c_0^T x && \text{(QPI)} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_i(1 - z_i) = 0, \quad \forall i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \\ & x^T Q_j x + c_j^T x \leq b_j, \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, m\} \\ & Ax \leq \alpha, \quad Bz \leq \beta \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad z \in \{0, 1\}^n. \end{aligned}$$

- The binary variables z are often referred to as **indicator variables**.
- Problem (QPI) subsumes several classes of difficult optimization problems such as **best subset selection**, **constrained portfolio optimization**, **optimal power flow with transmission switching**, among others.
- We are not assuming that Q_j is positive semi-definite (PSD).
- We are interested in the quality of **convex relaxations** for Problem (QPI).

Convexification of MIQCPs with indicator variables

- Introduce auxiliary variables $X_{ij} := x_i x_j$ for all $i, j \in [n]$ to obtain a reformulation of Problem (QPI):

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \langle Q_0, X \rangle + c_0^T x && \text{(QPI')} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_i(1 - z_i) = 0, \quad \forall i \in [n] \\ & X = xx^T \\ & \langle Q_j, X \rangle + c_j^T x \leq b_j, \quad \forall j \in [m] \\ & Ax \leq \alpha, \quad Bz \leq \beta \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad z \in \{0, 1\}^n, \quad X \in \mathbb{S}_+^n, \end{aligned}$$

where \mathbb{S}_+^n denotes the set of $n \times n$ PSD matrices.

- **Assumption:** $Ax \leq \alpha$ implies $x \geq 0$.
- To construct strong convex relaxations for Problem (QPI'), we should effectively convexify the set:

$$\mathcal{S}_n = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X = xx^T, x(1 - z) = 0, x \geq 0, z \in \{0, 1\}^n \right\}$$

Convexification of \mathcal{S}_n

- The closure of the convex hull of $\mathcal{S}_1 = \{(x_1, X_{11}, z_1) : X_{11} = x_1^2, x_1(1 - z_1) = 0, x_1 \geq 0, z_1 \in \{0, 1\}\}$, is (Akturk et al 2009, Gunluk and Linderoth 2010):

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_1) = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{11}z_1 \geq x_1^2, x_1 \geq 0, X_{11} \geq 0, z_1 \in [0, 1] \right\}.$$

- The Perspective relaxation of Problem (QPI'):

$$\min \quad \langle Q_0, X \rangle + c_0^T x \quad (\text{Persp})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad X \succeq xx^T$$

$$X_{ii}z_i \geq x_i^2, \quad \forall i \in [n]$$

$$\langle Q_j, X \rangle + c_j^T x \leq b_j, \quad \forall j \in [m]$$

$$Ax \leq \alpha, \quad Bz \leq \beta, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad z \in [0, 1]^n, \quad X \in \mathbb{S}_+^n.$$

- Very effective for problems with $m = 0$, $Q_0 \in \mathbb{S}_+^n$ such that Q_0 is diagonal or diagonally dominant (Frangioni and Gentile 2006, Gunluk and Linderoth 2010, Dong et al 2015).

Convexification of \mathcal{S}_n

- To improve the quality of convex relaxations for Problem (QPI'), it is natural to study the facial structure of $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$:

$$\mathcal{S}_2 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{11} = x_1^2, X_{12} = x_1x_2, X_{22} = x_2^2, x_1(1 - z_1) = 0, \right. \\ \left. x_2(1 - z_2) = 0, x_1, x_2 \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in \{0, 1\} \right\}.$$

- Anstreicher and Burer (Mathematical Programming, 2021): \mathcal{S}_2 with additional constraints $x_1, x_2 \leq 1$; **an extended formulation**, containing three additional variables, for the convex hull that is **SDP representable**.
- **Convex hull of the epigraph of bivariate convex quadratic functions:**
 - Atamturk et al (JMLR, 2021): $Z_2^- := \{(x, t, z) : t \geq d_1x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + d_2x_2^2, x_i(1 - z_i) = 0, x_i \geq 0, z_i \in \{0, 1\}, i \in \{1, 2\}\}$ with $d_1, d_2 > 0, d_1d_2 \geq 1$,
 - Han et al (Mathematical Programming, 2023): $Z_2^+ := \{(x, t, z) : t \geq d_1x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + d_2x_2^2, x_i(1 - z_i) = 0, x_i \geq 0, z_i \in \{0, 1\}, i \in \{1, 2\}\}$ with $d_1, d_2 > 0, d_1d_2 \geq 1$. Also propose an **extended SDP relaxation**.
- More interesting results on **convex quadratic optimization with indicator variables** (Atamturk and Gomez 2019, Wei et al 2021, Wei et al 2022).

The convex hull of \mathcal{S}_2

We give an explicit characterization for the closure of the convex hull of \mathcal{S}_2 in the space of original variables

- A De Rosa and A Khajavirad, Explicit convex hull description of bivariate quadratic sets with indicator variables, arXiv:2208.08703, 2022.

Constructing the convex hull of \mathcal{S}_2

- We can construct the convex hull of \mathcal{S}_2 using

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2) = \overline{\text{conv}}\left(\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_1) \cup \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_2) \cup \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_3) \cup \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_4)\right),$$

$$\mathcal{P}_1 := \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = z_2 = 0, x_1 = x_2 = X_{11} = X_{12} = X_{22} = 0\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_2 := \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = 1, z_2 = 0, X_{11} = x_1^2, x_2 = X_{12} = X_{22} = 0, x_1 \geq 0\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_3 := \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = 0, z_2 = 1, x_1 = X_{11} = X_{12} = 0, X_{22} = x_2^2, x_2 \geq 0\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_4 := \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = z_2 = 1, X_{11} = x_1^2, X_{12} = x_1x_2, X_{22} = x_2^2, x_1, x_2 \geq 0\}.$$

and

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_1) = \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = z_2 = 0, x_1 = x_2 = X_{11} = X_{12} = X_{22} = 0\},$$

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_2) = \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = 1, z_2 = 0, X_{11} \geq x_1^2, x_2 = X_{12} = X_{22} = 0, x_1 \geq 0\},$$

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_3) = \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = 0, z_2 = 1, x_1 = X_{11} = X_{12} = 0, X_{22} \geq x_2^2, x_2 \geq 0\},$$

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_4) = \{(x, X, z) : z_1 = z_2 = 1, X_{11} \geq x_1^2, X_{22} \geq x_2^2,$$

$$(X_{11} - x_1^2)(X_{22} - x_2^2) \geq (X_{12} - x_1x_2)^2, x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0\}.$$

A convex extended formulation for $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$

- Using disjunctive programming:

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2) = \text{cl}\left\{ (x, X, z) : \exists (x, X, z, \tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \lambda) \in \Sigma \right\},$$

where $\tilde{x} = (\tilde{x}^1, \dots, \tilde{x}^4)$, $\tilde{X} = (\tilde{X}^1, \dots, \tilde{X}^4)$, with $\tilde{x}^i = (\tilde{x}_1^i, \tilde{x}_2^i) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and $\tilde{X}^i = (\tilde{X}_{11}^i, \tilde{X}_{12}^i, \tilde{X}_{22}^i) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ for all $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$, and

$$\Sigma := \left\{ (x, X, z, \tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \lambda) : \right.$$

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^4 \tilde{x}^i, \quad X = \sum_{i=1}^4 \tilde{X}^i, \quad z = \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i z^i, \quad \sum_{i=1}^4 \lambda_i = 1, \quad \lambda_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$$

$$\left. \left(\frac{\tilde{x}^i}{\lambda_i}, \frac{\tilde{X}^i}{\lambda_i}, z^i \right) \in \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{P}_i) \text{ if } \lambda_i > 0, \quad \tilde{x}^i = \tilde{X}^i = 0 \text{ if } \lambda_i = 0 \right\}.$$

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$$\Sigma = \left\{ (x, X, z, \tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \lambda) : \right.$$

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 + \lambda_4 = 1, \lambda_i \geq 0 \forall i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}, z_1 = \lambda_2 + \lambda_4, z_2 = \lambda_3 + \lambda_4,$$

$$x_1 = \tilde{x}_1^2 + \tilde{x}_1^4, X_{11} = \tilde{X}_{11}^2 + \tilde{X}_{11}^4, x_2 = \tilde{x}_2^3 + \tilde{x}_2^4, X_{22} = \tilde{X}_{22}^3 + \tilde{X}_{22}^4, X_{12} = \tilde{X}_{12}^4$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_2 \tilde{X}_{11}^2 \geq (\tilde{x}_1^2)^2, \tilde{x}_1^2 \geq 0, & \text{if } \lambda_2 \neq 0 \\ \tilde{x}_1^2 = \tilde{X}_{11}^2 = 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_3 \tilde{X}_{22}^3 \geq (\tilde{x}_2^3)^2, \tilde{x}_2^3 \geq 0, & \text{if } \lambda_3 \neq 0 \\ \tilde{x}_2^3 = \tilde{X}_{22}^3 = 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{11}^4 \geq (\tilde{x}_1^4)^2, \lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{22}^4 \geq (\tilde{x}_2^4)^2, (\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{11}^4 - (\tilde{x}_1^4)^2)(\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{22}^4 - (\tilde{x}_2^4)^2) \geq (\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{12}^4 - \tilde{x}_1^4 \tilde{x}_2^4)^2, \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 \geq 0, \tilde{x}_2^4 \geq 0, \tilde{X}_{12}^4 \geq 0, & \text{if } \lambda_4 \neq 0 \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 = \tilde{x}_2^4 = \tilde{X}_{11}^4 = \tilde{X}_{12}^4 = \tilde{X}_{22}^4 = 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\left. \right\}.$

A partial projection - first step

- Projecting out $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \tilde{x}_1^2, \tilde{x}_2^3, \tilde{X}_{12}^4, \tilde{X}_{11}^2, \tilde{X}_{22}^3$, we obtain:

$$\max\{0, z_1 + z_2 - 1\} \leq \lambda_4 \leq \min\{z_1, z_2\}, \quad X_{12} \geq 0,$$

$$\begin{cases} (z_1 - \lambda_4)(X_{11} - \tilde{X}_{11}^4) \geq (x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4)^2, & \tilde{x}_1^4 \leq x_1, & \text{if } \lambda_4 \neq z_1 \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 = x_1, \quad \tilde{X}_{11}^4 = X_{11}, & & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} (z_2 - \lambda_4)(X_{22} - \tilde{X}_{22}^4) \geq (x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4)^2, & \tilde{x}_2^4 \leq x_2, & \text{if } \lambda_4 \neq z_2 \\ \tilde{x}_2^4 = x_2, \quad \tilde{X}_{22}^4 = X_{22}, & & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{11}^4 \geq (\tilde{x}_1^4)^2, \quad \lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{22}^4 \geq (\tilde{x}_2^4)^2, \quad (\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{11}^4 - (\tilde{x}_1^4)^2)(\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{22}^4 - (\tilde{x}_2^4)^2) \geq (\lambda_4 \tilde{X}_{12}^4 - \tilde{x}_1^4 \tilde{x}_2^4)^2, \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 \geq 0, \quad \tilde{x}_2^4 \geq 0, \quad \tilde{X}_{12}^4 \geq 0, & \text{if } \lambda_4 \neq 0 \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 = \tilde{x}_2^4 = \tilde{X}_{11}^4 = \tilde{X}_{12}^4 = \tilde{X}_{22}^4 = 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Replacing, $\tilde{X}_{11}^4 = X_{11}$ by $\tilde{X}_{11}^4 \leq X_{11}$, $\tilde{X}_{22}^4 = X_{22}$ by $\tilde{X}_{22}^4 \leq X_{22}$, and removing $X_{12} \geq 0$, we obtain the **OptPairs relaxation** of Han et al (MPA 2023):

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_1 - \lambda_4 & x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4 \\ x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4 & X_{11} - \tilde{X}_{11}^4 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0, \quad \begin{pmatrix} z_2 - \lambda_4 & x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4 \\ x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4 & X_{22} - \tilde{X}_{22}^4 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0, \quad \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_4 & \tilde{x}_1^4 & \tilde{x}_2^4 \\ \tilde{x}_1^4 & \tilde{X}_{11}^4 & X_{12} \\ \tilde{x}_2^4 & X_{12} & \tilde{X}_{22}^4 \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0$$

$$z_1 + z_2 - 1 \leq \lambda_4, \quad 0 \leq \tilde{x}_1^4 \leq x_1, \quad 0 \leq \tilde{x}_2^4 \leq x_2$$

A partial projection - second step

- Projecting out $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \tilde{x}_1^2, \tilde{x}_2^3, \tilde{X}_{12}^4, \tilde{X}_{11}^2, \tilde{X}_{22}^3, \tilde{X}_{11}^4, \tilde{X}_{22}^4$, we obtain:

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2) = \text{cl}\left\{ (x, X, z) : \exists (x, X, z, \tilde{x}_1^4, \tilde{x}_2^4, \lambda_4) \in \tilde{\Sigma} \right\},$$

$$\tilde{\Sigma} := \left\{ (x, X, z, \tilde{x}_1^4, \tilde{x}_2^4, \lambda_4) : X_{12} > 0, z_1 + z_2 - 1 \leq \lambda_4 \leq \min\{z_1, z_2\}, \lambda_4 > 0,$$

$$X_{11} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{z_1 - \lambda_4} \geq 0, X_{22} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{z_2 - \lambda_4} \geq 0,$$

$$\left(X_{11} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{z_1 - \lambda_4} \right) \left(X_{22} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{z_2 - \lambda_4} \right) \geq \left(X_{12} - \frac{\tilde{x}_1^4 \tilde{x}_2^4}{\lambda_4} \right)^2,$$

$$0 \leq \tilde{x}_1^4 \leq x_1, 0 \leq \tilde{x}_2^4 \leq x_2 \left. \right\}$$

- Whenever we write a function of the form $f = \frac{u^2}{v}$, $v > 0$, we refer to it closure defined as:

$$\hat{f}(u, v) := \begin{cases} \frac{u^2}{v}, & \text{if } v > 0 \\ 0, & \text{if } u = v = 0 \\ +\infty & \text{if } u \neq 0, v = 0. \end{cases}$$

A projection strategy

- Consider a function $f : (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ and two sets $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$. Define

$$\mathcal{Q} := \{x \in \mathcal{G} : \exists y \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ s.t. } f(x, y) \leq 0, (x, y) \in \mathcal{D}\}.$$

For every $x \in \mathcal{G}$, consider the following optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & f(x, y) && \text{(Proj)} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & (x, y) \in \mathcal{D} \end{aligned}$$

and consider a set

$$\mathcal{E} \subseteq \{x \in \mathcal{G} : \text{Problem (Proj) admits a minimizer, denoted by } y_x\}.$$

Then

$$\mathcal{Q} \cap \mathcal{E} = \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{E}} := \{x \in \mathcal{E} : f(x, y_x) \leq 0, (x, y_x) \in \mathcal{D}\}.$$

Projection by convex optimization

- To characterize $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$, it suffices to solve the following parametric **convex optimization problem** for all $(x, X, z) \in \mathcal{G} \supset \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min_{\tilde{x}_1^4, \tilde{x}_2^4, \lambda_4} \frac{(\tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{\lambda_4} + \frac{(x_1 - \tilde{x}_1^4)^2}{z_1 - \lambda_4} + \frac{\left(X_{12} - \frac{\tilde{x}_1^4 \tilde{x}_2^4}{\lambda_4}\right)^2}{X_{22} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{z_2 - \lambda_4}}, & (\text{P}_{x, X, z}) \\
 & \text{s.t.} \quad X_{22} - \frac{(\tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{\lambda_4} - \frac{(x_2 - \tilde{x}_2^4)^2}{z_2 - \lambda_4} \geq 0, \\
 & \quad z_1 + z_2 - 1 \leq \lambda_4 \leq \min\{z_1, z_2\}, \quad \lambda_4 > 0 \\
 & \quad 0 \leq \tilde{x}_1^4 \leq x_1, \quad 0 \leq \tilde{x}_2^4 \leq x_2.
 \end{aligned}$$

The Convex hull of \mathcal{S}_2

- **Theorem:** There exists a convex set $\tilde{\mathcal{S}}$ such that $\text{ri}(\text{conv}(\mathcal{S}_2)) \subseteq \tilde{\mathcal{S}} \subseteq \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$ and:

$$\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2) = \bigcup_{i=1}^8 \text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_i),$$

where the sets \mathcal{R}_i , $i \in \{1, \dots, 8\}$ satisfy $\mathcal{R}_i \cap \mathcal{R}_j = \emptyset$ for all $i \neq j$ and $\bigcup_{i=1}^8 \mathcal{R}_i \supseteq \overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$, and

- if $i \in \{1, 2, 6\}$, then

$$\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_i) = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{11} \geq \frac{x_1^2}{z_1}, X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, x_1, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0, \right. \\ \left. z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1] \right\} \cap \text{cl}(\mathcal{R}_i),$$

where

$$\mathcal{R}_1 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : x_1 x_2 (z_1 + z_2 - 1) \leq X_{12} z_1 z_2, X_{12} \max\{z_1, z_2\} \leq x_1 x_2, X_{12} > 0, z_1, z_2 > 0 \right\} \\ \cup \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{12} = 0 \right\},$$

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$$\mathcal{R}_2 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : z_1 \leq z_2, X_{12}z_2 > x_1x_2, X_{12}z_1 \leq x_1x_2, X_{12} > 0, z_1 > 0, \right. \\ \left. x_1^2(z_2 - z_1)(X_{22}z_2 - x_2^2) \geq z_1(X_{12}z_2 - x_1x_2)^2 \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{R}_6 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{12}z_1z_2 < x_1x_2(z_1 + z_2 - 1), X_{12} > 0, z_1, z_2 > 0, \right. \\ \left. (1 - z_1)(z_1 + z_2 - 1)x_1^2(X_{22}z_2 - x_2^2) \geq \left(X_{12}z_1z_2 - x_1x_2(z_1 + z_2 - 1) \right)^2 \right\}.$$

- if $i \in \{3, 4\}$, then

$$\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_i) = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_2} \right) \left(X_{22} - \frac{x_2^2}{z_2} \right) \geq \left(X_{12} - \frac{x_1x_2}{z_2} \right)^2, \right. \\ \left. x_1, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1] \leq 1 \right\} \cap \text{cl}(\mathcal{R}_i),$$

$$\mathcal{R}_3 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : z_1 < z_2, X_{12}x_2 > X_{22}x_1, z_1(X_{12}z_2 - x_1x_2)^2 > x_1^2(z_2 - z_1)(X_{22}z_2 - x_2^2), \right. \\ \left. x_1 \geq 0, X_{12} > 0, z_1 > 0 \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{R}_4 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : z_2 \leq z_1, X_{12}x_2 > X_{22}x_1, x_1 \geq 0, X_{12} > 0, z_2 > 0 \right\}.$$

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$$\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_5) = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_1} \right) \left(X_{22} - \frac{x_2^2}{z_2} \right) \geq \left(X_{12} - \frac{x_1 x_2}{z_1} \right)^2, \right. \\ \left. x_1, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1] \right\} \cap \text{cl}(\mathcal{R}_i),$$

where

$$\mathcal{R}_5 = \{(x, X, z) : X_{12}z_1 > x_1x_2, X_{22}x_1 \geq X_{12}x_2, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} > 0, z_1, z_2 > 0\},$$

$$\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_7) = \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, (X_{11} - x_1^2)(X_{22} - x_2^2) \geq (X_{12} - x_1x_2)^2, \right. \\ \left. x_1, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1] \right\} \cap \text{cl}(\mathcal{R}_i),$$

where

$$\mathcal{R}_7 := \{(x, X, z) : X_{12}z_1z_2 < x_1x_2(z_1 + z_2 - 1), X_{12} > 0, z_1, z_2 > 0, x_1^2(x_2^2 - X_{22}(1 - z_1))(X_{22}z_2 - x_2^2) \\ > 2x_1x_2X_{12}z_1(X_{22}z_2 - x_2^2) - X_{12}^2(X_{22}(z_1 + z_2 - 1) + x_2^2(1 - 2z_1 - z_2(1 - z_1)))\}.$$

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- $\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_8) =$

$$\left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{11} \geq \frac{x_1^2}{z_1}, X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, x_1, x_2 \geq 0, X_{12} \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1], \right. \\ \left. z_1(1 - z_2) \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_1} \right) x_2^2 \geq (z_1 + z_2 - 1) \left(X_{12} \frac{z_1 z_2}{W} - x_1 x_2 \right)^2 \right\} \cap \text{cl}(\mathcal{R}_i),$$

where

$$W := (z_1 + z_2 - 1) - \frac{1}{x_2} \sqrt{(X_{22} z_2 - x_2^2)(1 - z_1)(z_1 + z_2 - 1)}.$$

and

$$\mathcal{R}_8 := \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{12} z_1 z_2 < x_1 x_2 (z_1 + z_2 - 1), X_{12} > 0, z_1, z_2 > 0 \right\} \setminus (\mathcal{R}_6 \cup \mathcal{R}_7),$$

How to generate supporting hyperplanes of $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$?

- Consider an open set $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, four continuously differentiable functions $f_1, f_2, h_1, h_2 : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and two sets $\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ such that \mathcal{C} is an n -dimensional convex set and

$$\mathcal{R} = \left\{ x : f_1(x) > 0, f_2(x) \geq 0 \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{R} = \left\{ x : h_1(x) \geq 0, h_2(x) \geq 0, f_1(x) > 0, f_2(x) \geq 0 \right\}.$$

- Consider a point $\hat{x} \in \mathcal{R}$ such that $h_1(\hat{x}) = 0$, $\nabla h_1(\hat{x}) \neq 0$, $h_2(\hat{x}) > 0$, $f_1(\hat{x}) > 0$, $f_2(\hat{x}) > 0$, and for which there exists $\hat{r} > 0$ such that $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{r}}(\hat{x}) \subset \mathcal{A}$ and:

$\forall x \in \{x \in \mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{R} \cap \mathcal{B}_{\hat{r}}(\hat{x}) : h_1(x) = 0\}$ and $\forall s > 0$ it holds $\mathcal{B}_s(x) \setminus (\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{R}) \neq \emptyset$.

Then there exists $r > 0$ such that

$$\{x \in \mathcal{B}_r(\hat{x}) : h_1(x) = 0\} = \partial\mathcal{C} \cap \mathcal{B}_r(\hat{x}).$$

A simple separation algorithm

- Given a convex set \mathcal{C} , we say that the inequality $q(x) \geq 0$ **supports \mathcal{C} at \hat{x}** , or is **a supporting inequality for \mathcal{C} at \hat{x}** , if $q(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in \mathcal{C}$ and $\{x : q(x) = 0\}$ is a supporting hyperplane of \mathcal{C} at \hat{x} .
- Let $\tilde{\mathcal{C}}$ be a convex relaxation of \mathcal{S}_2 defined by:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{C}} := \left\{ (x, X, z) : X_{11} \geq \frac{x_1^2}{z_1}, X_{22} \geq \frac{x_2^2}{z_2}, (X_{11} - x_1^2)(X_{22} - x_2^2) \geq (X_{12} - x_1x_2)^2, \right. \\ \left. X_{12} \geq 0, x_1, x_2 \geq 0, z_1, z_2 \in [0, 1] \right\}.$$

- **The separation problem:** Given a point $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z}) \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}$, decide whether $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z})$ is in $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$ or not, and in the latter case, find a supporting inequality for $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$ that is violated by $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z})$.

A simple separation algorithm over $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$

Input: A point $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z}) \in \tilde{\mathcal{C}}$

Output: A Boolean Inside together with a supporting inequality $h(x, X, z) \geq 0$ for $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$, violated by $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z})$ if Inside = false.

Find the unique $k \in \{1, \dots, 8\}$ such that $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z}) \in \mathcal{R}_k$

if all inequalities defining $\text{cl}(\tilde{\mathcal{S}} \cap \mathcal{R}_k)$ are satisfied by $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z})$, **then**

Inside = true

return

else

Inside = false

if $k \in \{3, 4\}$, **then**

$$\left[\text{Let } q(x, X, z) = \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_2} \right) \left(X_{22} - \frac{x_2^2}{z_2} \right) - \left(X_{12} - \frac{x_1 x_2}{z_2} \right)^2 \right.$$

else if $k = 5$, **then**

$$\left[\text{Let } q(x, X, z) = \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_1} \right) \left(X_{22} - \frac{x_2^2}{z_1} \right) - \left(X_{12} - \frac{x_1 x_2}{z_1} \right)^2 \right.$$

else if $k = 8$, **then**

$$\left[\text{Let } q(x, X, z) = z_1(1 - z_2) \left(X_{11} - \frac{x_1^2}{z_1} \right) x_2^2 - (z_1 + z_2 - 1) \left(X_{12} \frac{z_1 z_2}{W} - x_1 x_2 \right)^2 \right.$$

Define the point $(\hat{x}, \hat{X}, \hat{z})$ with components equal to $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{X}, \tilde{z})$ except for \hat{X}_{11} which is chosen so that $q(\hat{x}, \hat{X}, \hat{z}) = 0$. Let $h(x, X, z)$ be the first-order Taylor expansion of $q(x, X, z)$ at $(\hat{x}, \hat{X}, \hat{z})$.

return $h(x, X, z) \geq 0$

A corollary of our convex hull characterization

- For any $i \neq j \in [n]$, any supporting inequality of

$$\left\{ (x_i, x_j, X_{ii}, X_{ij}, X_{jj}, z_i) : \begin{pmatrix} z_i & x_i & x_j \\ x_i & X_{ii} & X_{ij} \\ x_j & X_{ij} & X_{jj} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0 \right\}, \quad (1)$$

at a boundary point of (1) satisfying

$$X_{ij}z_i > x_ix_j, \quad X_{jj}x_i > X_{ij}x_j, \quad x_i, x_j > 0, \quad z_i, z_j \in (0, 1),$$

is a supporting inequality for $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_2)$, and hence is valid inequality for $\overline{\text{conv}}(\mathcal{S}_n)$.

- Atamturk and Gomez 2019 propose the following **rank-one inequalities**

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_i + z_j & x_i & x_j \\ x_i & X_{ii} & X_{ij} \\ x_j & X_{ij} & X_{jj} \end{pmatrix} \succeq 0,$$

and show the impact of the addition of such constraints to the perspective relaxation.