

Stochastic and Variance-Reduced Monotone Operator Splitting

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Talk Overview

- Focus: projective splitting method for solving monotone inclusions
- Develop new stochastic version
 - ▶ almost sure iterate convergence + convergence rate
- Develop variance-reduced version
 - ▶ same rates as deterministic methods but with improved constants

Convex Optimization I

Consider

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(G_i x) + h(x) \right\}$$

where

- $f_i : \mathbb{R}^{d_i} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$ are convex, closed, proper
- $G_i : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_i}$ are linear
- $h : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is convex and smooth
- multiple regularizers and constraints
 - ▶ $\iota_C(x) = 0$ if $x \in C$, else $+\infty$
- certain regularizers such as total variation (TV)

Convex Optimization II

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n \textcolor{red}{f}_i(\textcolor{teal}{G}_i x) + \textcolor{blue}{h}(x) \right\}$$

- (Fermat's Rule): first order sufficient¹ condition

$$\exists \left\{ \begin{array}{l} w_1 \in \partial f_1(G_1 x) \\ w_2 \in \partial f_2(G_2 x) \\ \vdots \\ w_n \in \partial f_n(G_n x) \end{array} \right\} : 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i + \nabla h(x)$$

- With Minkowski summation ($A + B = \{a + b : a \in A, b \in B\}$), write as

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top \partial f_i(G_i x) + \nabla h(x)$$

¹and necessary under additional Slater-like conditions

Monotone Inclusions I

Instead of

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n \textcolor{teal}{G}_i^\top \partial f_i(\textcolor{teal}{G}_i x) + \nabla h(x)$$

solve

$$\text{Find } z \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{s.t.} \quad 0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n \textcolor{teal}{G}_i^\top A_i(\textcolor{teal}{G}_i z) + Bz$$

where

- $A_i : \mathbb{R}^{d_i} \rightarrow 2^{\mathbb{R}^{d_i}}$ are maximal-monotone

$$\begin{aligned} \forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^d, y_1 \in Ax_1, y_2 \in Ax_2 : \\ \langle y_1 - y_2, x_1 - x_2 \rangle \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- $\textcolor{teal}{G}_i : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{d_i}$ are linear
- $B : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is monotone and single-valued and continuous to some degree

Monotone Inclusions II

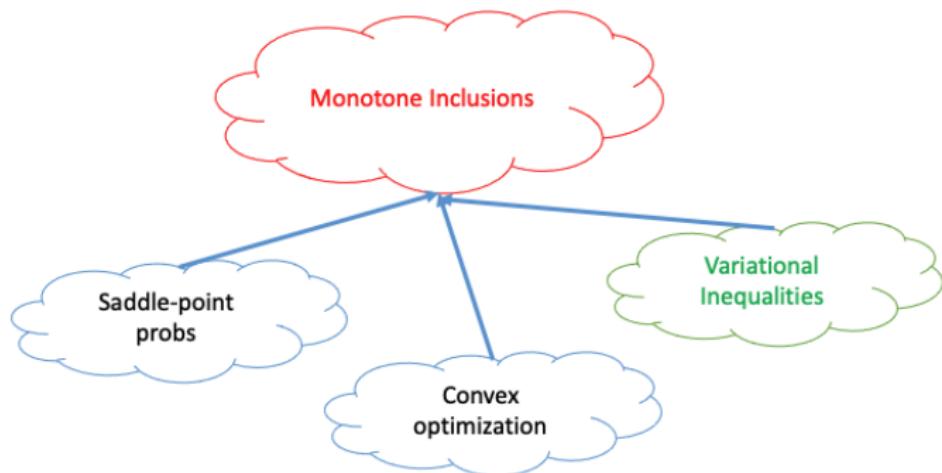
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Why Care About Monotone Inclusions?



- Umbrella problem
- Same algorithms/analysis for all problems

Saddle-point Problems

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \max_{y \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i(R_i x) - g_i(H_i y)) + F(x, y) \right\}$$

- f_i, g_i are convex, F is convex-concave and smooth
- first-order sufficient conditions

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{bmatrix} R_i^\top \partial f_i(R_i x) \\ H_i^\top \partial g_i(H_i y) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x F(x, y) \\ -\nabla_y F(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

Set

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \quad G_i = \begin{bmatrix} R_i & 0 \\ 0 & H_i \end{bmatrix} \quad A_i = \partial f_i \times \partial g_i \quad Bz = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla_x F(x, y) \\ -\nabla_y F(x, y) \end{bmatrix}$$

- B is monotone (Rockafellar 1970), A_i is maximal-monotone

$$\text{Find } z \in \mathbb{R}^{d+m} \text{ s.t. } 0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i(G_i z) + Bz$$

Operator Splitting Algorithms

$$\text{Find } z \in \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{s.t.} \quad 0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n \textcolor{teal}{G}_i^\top \textcolor{red}{A}_i(\textcolor{teal}{G}_i z) + \textcolor{blue}{B}z$$

Solve problem (i.e. converge to a solution) using

- direct evaluation for single-valued $\textcolor{blue}{B}$ (a.k.a. forward step)
- resolvents for set-valued A_i (a.k.a. backward step)
- direct and transpose application for linear G_i
- Basic vector operations (norms, inner products, vector addition, scalar multiplication)

Resolvents

$$J_A \triangleq (I + A)^{-1}$$

- (Minty's theorem): For maximal-monotone A , resolvent is single-valued and defined everywhere
- $A = \partial f$ reduces to *proximal operator*

$$J_{\partial f} x_0 = \text{prox}_f(x_0) \triangleq \arg \min_x \left\{ f(x) + \frac{1}{2} \|x - x_0\|^2 \right\}$$

- Example: ℓ_1 -norm

$$\text{prox}_{\|\cdot\|_1}(x)_i = \begin{cases} x_i - 1 & : x_i \geq 1 \\ x_i + 1 & : x_i \leq -1 \\ 0 & : \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- Constraints: $\iota_C(x) = 0$ if $x \in C$, else $+\infty$, then $\text{prox}_{\iota_C} = \text{proj}_C$

Handling Linear Composition: $\textcolor{teal}{G}_i^\top \textcolor{red}{A}_i(\textcolor{teal}{G}_i z)$ and $f_i(G_i x)$

- Example: Vector TV norm

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- Rewrite as

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \|Gx\|_1, \text{ where } G = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & & \\ & -1 & 1 & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Operator splitting algorithms process $f(Gx)$ via prox_f , G and G^\top . For example projective splitting (Alotaibi 2013)

$$x^k = \text{prox}_{\tau f}(Gz^k + \tau w^k) \text{ and } G^\top y^k$$

- other applications: overlapping group lasso, graph-guided fused lasso, linear constraints $Gx \geq 0 \implies \iota_{\mathcal{C}}(Gx)$ where $\mathcal{C} = \{v : v \geq 0\}$

The Issue of B 's Continuity

- Lipschitz: $\|Bx - By\| \leq L\|x - y\|$
- Cocoercive: $\langle Bx - By, x - y \rangle \geq (1/L)\|Bx - By\|^2$
- Cocoercive \implies Lipschitz
- but not the opposite direction
 - ▶ Example: skew-symmetric linear operators

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- However (Baillon-Haddad): for $Bz = \nabla f$ Lipschitz \iff cocoercive

Product Space Reformulation

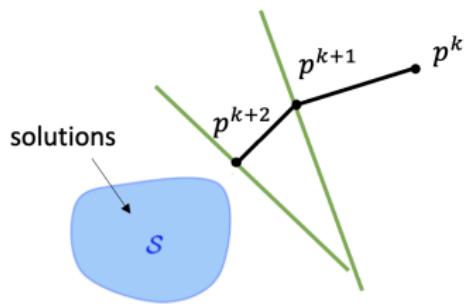
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- Many splitting algorithms exist for $n = 1, 2$. For example Forward-Backward, three-operator splitting, Douglas-Rachford (ADMM), Tseng's method (FBF), forward-reflected-backward method, Chambolle-Pock splitting etc.
- To extend to arbitrary n , usually use a *product space reformulation* to reduce $(n+1)$ -operator problem to 2 or 3-operator problem in enlarged space.
- *Projective splitting* (PS) solves (1) but is not based on product space
- However Gisselson (2021) rewrites it this way in some special cases

Projective Splitting in a Nutshell

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{G}_i^\top \mathcal{A}_i(\mathcal{G}_i z) + \mathcal{B}z$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ \underbrace{(z, w_1, \dots, w_n)}_p : \quad w_i \in \mathcal{A}_i(\mathcal{G}_i z), \quad 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{G}_i^\top w_i + \mathcal{B}z \right\}$$



$$p^k = (z^k, w_1^k, \dots, w_n^k)$$

A Brief History of Projective Splitting

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- The timeline is represented by a vertical grey line with circular markers at each year. An arrow points downwards from the 2020 marker.
- 1999: Origins with projection-type methods by Solodov, Svaiter, Iusem, others
 - 2008: Eckstein and Svaiter invent method called “projective splitting” (PS) to solve: $0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n A_i z$
 - 2013: Alotaibi et al. allow for linear compositions:
 $0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i (G_i z)$
 - 2015: Combettes et al. extension to *asynchronous* and *block-iterative* operation
 - 2018: PJ and Eckstein *2-forward step* version for Lipschitz operators:
 $0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i (G_i z) + Bz$
 - 2019: PJ and Eckstein *1-forward step* version for *cocoercive* B :
 $0 \in \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i (G_i z) + Bz$
 - 2020: M. Marques Alves et al. *inertial (momentum)* version of PS

Benefits/Quirks of PS

- Not based on a fixed-point analysis

$$p^{k+1} = \mathcal{M}(p^k), \text{ study } p^* = \mathcal{M}(p^*) \text{ and firmly nonexpansive}$$

- Explicitly perform projection gives nice properties directly (eg: Fejér monotonicity)
- Need to prove “good” separating hyperplanes
- Decomposition (full splitting)
- Flexibility
 - ▶ Async, block iterative
 - ▶ permissive stepsize constraints
 - ▶ inexact resolvents (relative error)
 - ▶ mix-and-match updates (resolvent, 2-forward-step, 1-forward-step, a different 1-forward step², Newton-step³)

²Due to Maicon Marques Alves

³Also due to Maicon

Limitation: No Stochastic Oracle

$$\sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i(G_i z) + Bz$$

- Can only access B through noisy oracle $\tilde{B}z = Bz + \epsilon$
- Eg: $Bz = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N B_j z$, sample $\tilde{B}z = B_J z$ where $J \sim \text{uniform}\{1, \dots, N\}$
- Projective splitting cannot handle that

Contributions of this Work

$$\sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top A_i(G_i z) + Bz$$

- Assume can access $Bz + \epsilon$ where B is Lipschitz
 - ➊ $\mathbb{E}_k[\epsilon] = 0$
 - ➋ $\mathbb{E}_k[\|\epsilon\|^2] \leq N_1 + N_2 \|Bz\|^2$
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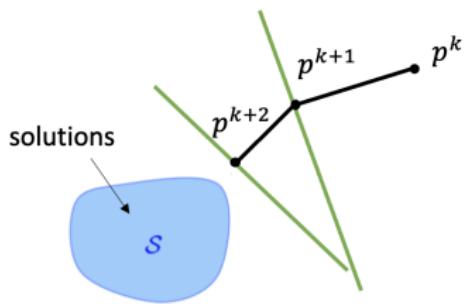
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 - ① almost-sure convergence of iterates to a solution
 - ② $\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{k})$ rate for the expected solution residual
- When B is cocoercive, for several *variance reduced estimators* extend PS
 - ① $\mathcal{O}(1/k)$ rate of expected solution residual
 - ② Linear rate of iterates under additional strong monotonicity + cocoercivity
 - ③ Better computational complexities than deterministic PS

Deterministic Projective Splitting Background

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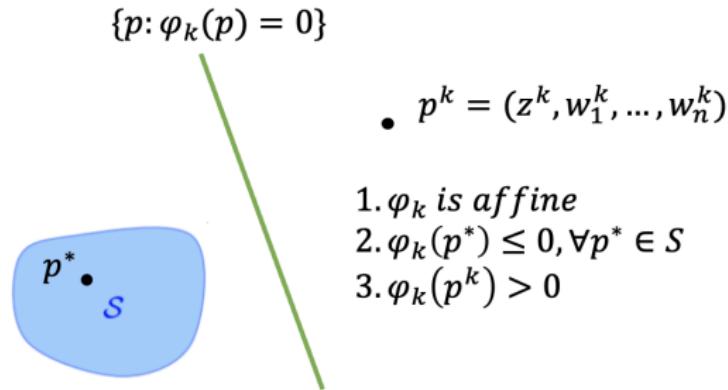
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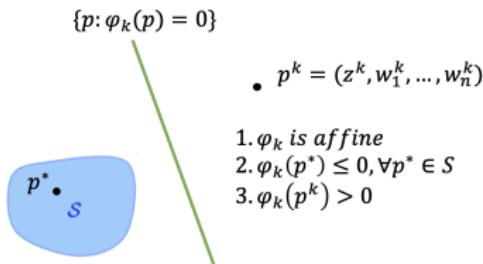
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Constructing a Separating Hyperplane I

- Construct scalar function $\varphi_k : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{d_1} \times \dots \mathbb{R}^{d_n} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- $\varphi_k(p) = \varphi_k(z, w_1, \dots, w_n)$



Constructing a Separating Hyperplane II⁴



$$\mathcal{S} = \{(z^*, w_1^*, \dots, w_n^*) :$$

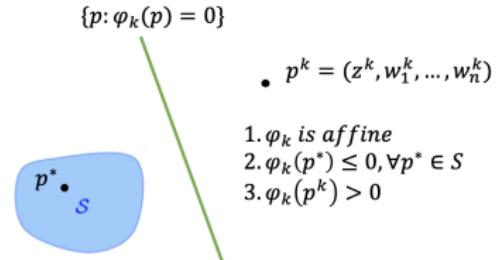
$$w_i^* \in A_i(G_i z^*), -\sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i^* = B z^*\}$$

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- (x_i^k, y_i^k) parameterize hyperplane.
- Can be shown that
 - ① φ_k is affine
 - ② Choosing $y_i^k \in A_i x_i^k$ and $y_{n+1}^k = B x_{n+1}^k \implies \varphi_k(p^*) \leq 0$

⁴Alotaibi et al. 2013

Meta-Algorithm

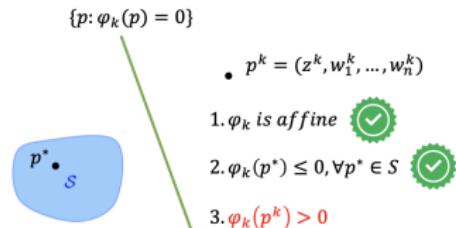


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- ① Select (x_i^k, y_i^k) for $i = 1, \dots, n+1$ such that $y_i^k \in A_i x_i^k$ and $y_{n+1}^k = B x_{n+1}^k$ and $\varphi_k(p^k) \gg 0$
- ② Project p^k onto hyperplane (easy) to get p^{k+1}
 - ▶ $\nabla_z \varphi_k = \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top y_i^k + y_{n+1}^k, \quad \nabla_{w_i} \varphi_k = x_i^k - G_i x_{n+1}^k$
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Good Separators I

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- Treat each i separately (splitting)
- Choose (Eckstein et al. 2008, Alotaibi et al. 2013)

$$x_i^k = J_{\tau A_i}(G_i z^k + \tau w_i^k), \quad y_i^k = \tau^{-1}(G_i z^k + w_i^k - x_i^k)$$

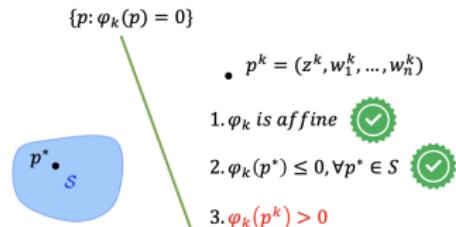
- Simple properties of resolvent:

① $y_i^k \in A_i x_i^k$

② $\langle G_i z - x_i^k, y_i^k - w_i^k \rangle = (1/\tau) \|G_i z^k - x_i^k\|^2$

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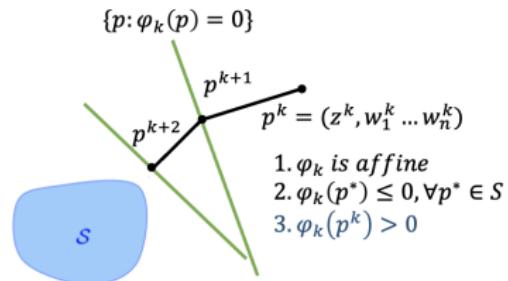
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- Choose (PJ and Eckstein 2018)

$$x_{n+1}^k = z^k - \rho(Bz^k + \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i^k), \quad y_{n+1}^k = Bx_{n+1}^k$$

$$\langle z^k - x_{n+1}^k, y^k + \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i^k \rangle \geq (\rho^{-1} - L) \|z^k - x_{n+1}^k\|^2.$$

Algorithm Summary⁵



$$\begin{aligned}\varphi_k(p^k) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle G_i z^k - x_i^k, y_i^k - w_i^k \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle z^k - x_{n+1}^k, y_{n+1}^k + \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i^k \rangle\end{aligned}$$

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⁵Projective Splitting with Forward Steps, PJ and Eckstein 2018

Making things Stochastic

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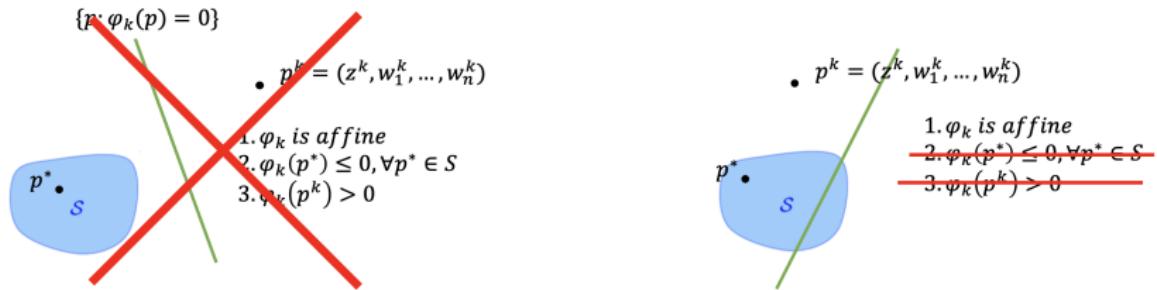
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Effect of Noise



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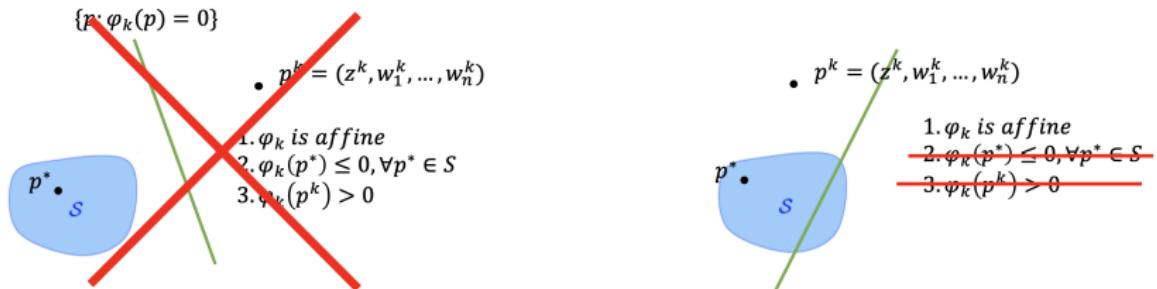
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The Way Out



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Analysis I: Stochastic Quasi-Fejér Monotonicity (SQFM)

Theorem

(Combettes et al. 2015), For any $p^* \in \mathcal{S}$, if

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where $\nu_k \geq 0$, $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \eta^k < \infty$, and $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \chi^k < \infty$. Then (a.s.):

- ① p^k is bounded,
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- ③ $\sum_k \nu_k < \infty$

Intuition:

- Without noise and summable terms becomes (Fejér monotonicity)

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Then p^k bounded, $\|p^k - p\|$ has a limit, and $\nu_{\textcolor{green}{k}}$ is summable (a.s.)

- ④ Pick stepsizes α_k and ρ_k to make it all work out!

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Solution Certificate / Optimality Condition

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$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ (z, w_1, \dots, w_n) : \quad w_i \in A_i(G_i z), \quad 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n G_i^\top w_i + Bz \right\}$$

Analysis IV: Exploiting Stochastic Quasi-Fejér Monotonicity (SQFM)

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- Ex. $\alpha_k = k^{-1/2-\varepsilon}$ $\rho_k = k^{-1/4}$
- Double Stepsize Extragradient (Hsieh et al. 2020) is special case when solving $0 = Bz$ (no A_1, \dots, A_n i.e. no regularizers/constraints).

Convergence Rate

$$\mathbb{E}_k \|p^{k+1} - p^*\|^2 \leq (1 + C_1 \alpha_k^2) \|p^k - p^*\|^2 - 2\alpha_k \rho_k \mathcal{G}_k + \alpha_k^2 C_2 + \alpha_k \rho_k^2 C_3$$

Fix iterations K set

$$\rho_k = K^{-1/4} \quad \alpha_k = K^{-1/2}$$

can derive

$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{G}_k] = \mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{K}).$$

Example Application: Distributionally Robust Sparse Logistic Regression

- Wasserstein Robust logistic regression. Finite dimensional representation, (Yu 2021).
- Add an L_1 regularizer to promote sparsity.
- Training data: $(\hat{x}_i, \hat{y}_i) i = 1, \dots, m$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ \lambda \in \mathbb{R}}} & \max_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^m} \quad \left\{ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \Psi(\langle \hat{x}_i, \beta \rangle) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i (\hat{y}_i \langle \hat{x}_i, \beta \rangle - \lambda) + c \|\beta\|_1 \right\} \\ \text{s.t.} & \|\beta\|_2 \leq \lambda/2 \quad \|\gamma\|_\infty \leq 1. \end{array}$$

- Ψ is the logistic loss

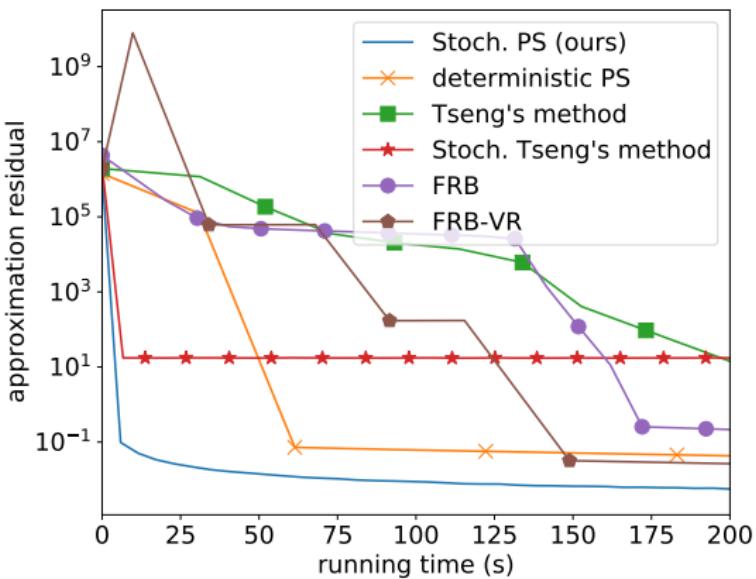
Splitting Up the Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\substack{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ \lambda \in \mathbb{R}}} \quad & \max_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^m} \quad \left\{ \lambda(\delta - \kappa) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \Psi(\langle \hat{x}_i, \beta \rangle) + \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \gamma_i (\hat{y}_i \langle \hat{x}_i, \beta \rangle - \lambda \kappa) + c \|\beta\|_1 \right\} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \|\beta\|_2 \leq \lambda/2 \quad \|\gamma\|_\infty \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- The constraints $\|\beta\|_2 \leq \lambda/2$ and $\|\gamma\|_\infty \leq 1$ are handled by a single set-valued operator A_1
- The $c\|\beta\|_1$ regularization penalty is handled by second set-valued operator A_2
- Everything else is Lipschitz and absorbed into B

$$0 \in A_1 z + A_2 z + Bz \quad \text{where } z = (\beta, \lambda, \gamma)$$

Experimental Results



S-Tseng: Two steps at a time – taking GAN training in stride with Tseng's method, Böhm et al., **FRB-VR:** Forward-reflected-backward method with variance reduction, Alacaoglu et al., **FRB:** A Forward-Backward Splitting Method for Monotone Inclusions Without Cocoercivity, Malitsky et al.

Variance Reduced Projective Splitting

- Assume $Bz^k = (1/N) \sum_{j=1}^N B_j z^k$ and B_j are cocoercive
- Assume *some* variance-reduced estimator: $y^k \approx Bz^k = (1/N) \sum_{j=1}^N B_j z^k$
 - ▶ Must satisfy some simple recursions
 - ▶ Holds for estimators based on SVRG, loopless SVRG, SAGA, SEGA...
- Extension to monotone inclusions of condition in “A Unified Theory of SGD: Variance Reduction, Sampling, Quantization and Coordinate Descent”
Gorbunov et al.

Variance Reduction - Convergence Rates

- Under these conditions obtain

$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \mathbb{E}[\mathcal{G}_k] \leq \mathcal{O}(K^{-1}) \quad (\text{up from } \mathcal{O}(K^{-1/2}))$$

$$\|z^k - z^*\| \leq \mathcal{O}(q^{-k}) \quad \text{under strong monotonicity, cocoercivity}$$

- Same rates as deterministic PS

Variance Reduction - Computational Complexities

Method	Comp. Complexity
deterministic PS ⁶	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{NL}{\epsilon}\right)$
VR-PS (this work)	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{N+L}{\epsilon}\right)$
stochastic PS (this work)	$\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{L^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)$

where $L = \max$ Lipschitz constant of $B_j, j = 1, \dots, N$

Complexity measures the # of stoch. gradient (equiv.) oracles

⁶convergence rates for projective splitting, PJ and Eckstein 2019

Conclusion

Paper:

- *Stochastic Projective Splitting: Solving Saddle-Point Problems with Multiple Regularizers.* arXiv:2106.13067, PJ, Jonathan Eckstein, Thomas Flynn, Shinjae Yoo

Thank you!

Variance Reduction

$$\mathbb{E}_k[\|y^k - Bz^*\|^2] \leq \frac{\gamma_1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \|B_j z^k - B_j z^*\|^2 + \gamma_2 \sigma_k^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}_k[\sigma_{k+1}^2] \leq (1 - \gamma_3) \sigma_k^2 + \frac{\gamma_3 \gamma_1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \|B_j z^k - B_j z^*\|^2$$