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An Arc Search Interior-Point Algorithm for Monotone Linear Complementarity Problems over Symmetric Cones

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Abstract. An arc search interior-point algorithm for monotone symmetric cone linear complementarity problem is presented. The algorithm estimates the central path by an ellipse and follows an ellipsoidal approximation of the central path to reach an ε -approximate solution of the problem in a wide neighborhood of the central path. The convergence analysis of the algorithm is derived. Furthermore, we prove that the algorithm has the complexity bound $O(\sqrt{rL})$ using Nesterov-Todd search direction and O(rL) by the xs and sx search directions. The obtained iteration complexities coincide with the best-known ones obtained by any proposed interiorpoint algorithm for this class of mathematical problems.

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1 Introduction

Let (\mathcal{V}, \circ) be an *n*-dimensional Euclidean Jordan algebra (EJA) with rank *r* equipped with the standard inner product $\langle x, s \rangle := \mathbf{tr}(x \circ s)$ and assume that \mathcal{K} is the symmetric cone related to EJA (\mathcal{V}, \circ) . In this paper, similar to [8,9,22], we define the monotone symmetric cone linear complementarity problem (SCLCP) in the standard form as follows: The problem of finding a pair $(x, s) \in \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{K}$

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such that

$$s = \mathcal{M}(x) + q, \quad x \circ s = 0,$$

where $q \in \mathcal{V}$ and $\mathcal{M} : \mathcal{V} \longrightarrow \mathcal{V}$ is a positive semidefinite linear operator. That is, $\langle \mathcal{M}(x), x \rangle \geq 0$ for $x \in \mathcal{V}$. Since \mathcal{V} is EJA, we can consider the matrix representation $\mathcal{M}(x) = Mx$ in which $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is positive semidefinite with respect to the inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ in (\mathcal{V}, \circ) . Therefore, the above problem can be reformulated as follows:

$$s = Mx + q, \quad x \circ s = 0. \tag{1.1}$$

The monotone SCLCP is a general class of mathematical problems which contains the monotone LCP (the monotone SCLCP with $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{R}^n_+$ (the cone of nonnegative orthant)), the monotone semidefinite LCP (the monotone SCLCP with $\mathcal{K} = \mathbb{S}^n_+$ (the cone of positive semidefinite matrices)) and the monotone second-order cone LCP (the monotone SCLCP with $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{L}^n_+$ (the second-order cone)). Among various approaches, interior-point methods (IPMs) are quite efficient for solving various classes of mathematical problems. Since Karmarkar's algorithm [7] was proved to be polynomial, many researchers proposed some interior-point algorithms for solving mathematical problems over non-negative orthant.

Using EJA, Faybusovich [4] generalized IPMs over non-negative orthant problems to symmetric optimization (SO) problems and SCLCPs. Gowda and Sznajder [5] showed some global uniqueness and solvability result for SCLCPs. Schemita and Alizadeh [17] proved the convergence analysis and the polynomial iteration-complexity for short, semi-long and long-step interior-point algorithms for SO problems using the commutative class of search directions. Rangarajan [15] proposed the first infeasible interior-point method (IIPM) over symmetric cones. Yoshise [21] proposed a homogeneous algorithm for monotone nonlinear symmetric cone complementarity problems. Gu et al. [23] extended the proposed algorithm by Roos [16] for linear optimization (LO) to SO problems. Wang et al. [22] generalized the Gu et al.'s feasible algorithm for SO [6] to the Cartesian $P_*(\mathcal{K})$ -SCLCP and obtained the complexity bound $O(\sqrt{rL})$ for their algorithm.

In most of the above mentioned papers, the proposed algorithms search an ε -approximate solution of the underlying problem in a small neighborhood of a straight line related to the first and second-order derivatives of the central path. However, the most mathematical problems are nonlinear and it seems that the perfect search for obtaining an ε -approximate solution of them is not along a straight line and it is along the arcs. Therefore, it is worth to investigate the analysis of some interior-point algorithms that follow an arc instead of a straight line in procedure of finding an ε -approximate solution of the underlying problems.

The first arc search interior-point algorithms were suggested by Yang [19,20] for convex quadratic optimization (CQO) problems and LO problems. These algorithms utilize the first and second-order derivatives to construct an ellipse for approximating the central path. Searching along the ellipse is more efficient

than searching along any straight line due to generating a larger step size. This makes the Yang's algorithms [19, 20] efficient in practical computation.

Ai and Zhang [1] based on a new wide neighborhood of the central path, proposed the first wide neighborhood interior-point algorithm for LCPs. After that, several authors generalized the Ai and Zhang's algorithm for LCPs [1] to some other problems. For instance, Li and Terlaky [10] extended the Ai and Zhang's algorithm for LCPs [1] to semidefinite optimization problems. Yang et al. [13], based on Ai and Zhang's wide neighborhood, proposed a new infeasible IPM for SO problems.

Motivated by Yang [19,20], Yang et al. [25] proposed a wide neighborhood arc search infeasible interior-point algorithm for LO problems. Pirhaji et al. [24], using the arc search strategy and the wide neighborhood given by Ai and Zhang [1], suggested an infeasible interior-point algorithm for monotone LCPs. Based on a commutative class of search directions and the Ai-Zhang's wide neighborhood, Yang et al. [14] generalized their proposed arc search algorithm for LO problems [25] to SO problems.

The main goal of this paper is to present a wide neighborhood arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for monotone SCLCPs. To this end, motivated by Yang [19,20], we first estimate the central path of monotone SCLCP by an ellipse and then, using the wide neighborhood given by Ai and Zhang [1], we propose an arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for monotone SCLCPs. The algorithm obtains an ε -approximate solution of the monotone SCLCP in $O(\sqrt{rL})$ iterations using Nesterov-Todd search direction and it will terminate after O(rL) iterations, using the xs and sx search directions.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we recall some basic concepts on EJAs which are required in our paper. In Section 3, we first introduce the central path of the SCLCP and its ellipsoidal approximation, then we propose an arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for solving monotone SCLCPs. Section 4 is devoted to present some technical lemmas which are required in convergence analysis of the algorithm. The convergence analysis of the algorithm will be presented in Subsection 4.2. Finally, the paper ends with some concluding remarks in Section 5.

2 Preliminaries

In this section, we outline a minimal foundation of the theory of EJAs which will be used in this paper.

The EJA (\mathcal{V}, \circ) is a finite dimensional vector space over \mathbb{R} equipped with the bilinear map $\circ : (x, y) \longrightarrow x \circ y \in \mathcal{V}$ and the standard inner product $\langle x, s \rangle := \mathbf{tr}(x \circ s)$. The related cone of squares corresponding with (\mathcal{V}, \circ) is called the symmetric cone \mathcal{K} . For each $x, y \in \mathcal{V}$, $L_x y := x \circ y$ and $Q_x := 2L_x^2 - L_{x^2}$, where $L_x^2 := L_x L_x$, denote the linear and quadratic representation of \mathcal{V} , respectively.

A Jordan algebra has an identity element, if there exists a unique element $e \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $x \circ e = e \circ x = x$ for all $x \in \mathcal{V}$. An element $c \in \mathcal{V}$ is said to be idempotent if $c^2 = c$. An idempotent c is primitive if it is nonzero and can not be expressed by sum of two other nonzero idempotents. A set of idempotents $\{c_1, c_2, ..., c_k\}$ is called a Jordan frame if $c_i \circ c_j = 0$ for any $i \neq j$,

and $\sum_{i=1}^{k} c_i = e$. For any $x \in \mathcal{V}$, let *l* be the smallest positive integer such that $\{e, x, x^2, ..., x^l\}$ is linearly dependent, *l* is called the degree of *x* and is denoted by $\operatorname{deg}(x)$. The rank of \mathcal{V} , denoted by $\operatorname{rank}(\mathcal{V})$, is defined as the maximum of $\operatorname{deg}(x)$ over all $x \in \mathcal{V}$.

The spectral decomposition theorem (Theorem III.1.2 in [3]) of a Euclidean Jordan algebra \mathcal{V} states that for any $x \in \mathcal{V}$ there exists a Jordan frame $\{c_1, c_2, ..., c_k\}$ and a set of real numbers $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_k\}$ (the eigenvalues of x) such that $x = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i c_i$. For any $x \in \mathcal{V}$, we define $\mathbf{tr}(x) := \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i$ and $\mathbf{det}(x) := \prod_{i=1}^k \lambda_i$. We also define $\lambda_{\min}(x)$ and $\lambda_{\max}(x)$ as the minimum and maximum eigenvalue of x, respectively. The norm induced by the standard inner product is named as the Frobenius norm, which is given by $\|x\|_F := \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$. Some other norms related to the absolute value of eigenvalues of x, namely 1-norm and infinity norm, are defined as $\|x\|_1 := \sum_{i=1}^k |\lambda_i(x)|$ and $\|x\|_2 := \max_i |\lambda_i(x)|$. Moreover, the merit projection $x^+ := \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i^+ c_i$ and $x^- := x - x^+$, where $\lambda_i^+ := \max\{\lambda_i, 0\}$ for i = 1, 2, ..., k.

3 Central path and its ellipsoidal approximation

In this section, we first define the central path of monotone SCLCP and then we estimate it by an ellipse. To this end, let

$$F := \{(x, s) \in \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{K} : s = Mx + q\},\$$

$$F^0 := \{(x, s) \in int\mathcal{K} \times int\mathcal{K} : s = Mx + q\},\$$

respectively denote the feasible and strictly feasible sets of monotone SCLCP. Here, we assume $F^0 \neq \emptyset$. That is, problem (1.1) satisfies the interior-point condition (IPC).

The main idea of feasible IPMs is to replace the complementarity condition $x \circ s = 0$ in (1.1) by the perturbed equation $x \circ s = \mu e$ to get the following parameterized system:

$$Mx - s + q = 0, \quad x \circ s = \mu e. \tag{3.1}$$

Considering a scaling point $p \in \mathcal{C}(x, s)$, where

 $\mathcal{C}(x,s) := \{ p \mid p \text{ nonsingular}, \ Q_p x \text{ and } Q_{p^{-1}}s \text{ operator commute} \},$

defining

$$\tilde{M} := Q_{p^{-1}} M Q_{p^{-1}}, \quad \tilde{x} := Q_p x, \quad \tilde{s} := Q_{p^{-1}} s, \quad \tilde{q} := Q_{p^{-1}} q$$
(3.2)

and using Lemma 28 in [17], system (3.1) can be rewritten as follows:

$$\tilde{M}\tilde{x} - \tilde{s} + \tilde{q} = 0, \quad \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} = \mu e. \tag{3.3}$$

Some best-known choices for the scaling vector p, such as $p := x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ and $p := s^{\frac{1}{2}}$, have been proposed by some researchers. These choices of the scaling vector

p respectively led to the well-known search directions xs and sx while for the choice of

$$p := \left(Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left(Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} s \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \left(Q_{s^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \left(Q_{s^{\frac{1}{2}}} x \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}},$$

we get the Nesterov-Todd (NT) search direction. System (3.3) has a unique solution $(\tilde{x}(\mu), \tilde{s}(\mu))$ for any $\mu > 0$. The set of all such solutions gives a homotopy path, which is called the central path. Mathematically, the central path is a parameterized function of μ defined as

$$\mathcal{H}(\mu) := \Big\{ \left(\tilde{x}(\mu), \tilde{s}(\mu) \right) : \ \left(\tilde{x}(\mu), \tilde{s}(\mu) \right) \text{ satisfies (3.3) with } \mu > 0 \Big\}.$$

Clearly, the most efficient way to find an ε -approximate solution of the monotone SCLCP is to follow the central path while decreasing the parameter μ to zero. If $\mu \to 0$, then the limit of the central path exists and it is an ε approximate solution of the monotone SCLCP.

As we mentioned before, most of interior-point algorithms follow a straight line approximation related to the first and second order derivatives of the central path and generate a sequence of iterations in a small neighborhood of the central path. In this paper, we use the neighborhood

$$\mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta) := \left\{ (x,s) \in \mathcal{F}^0 : \left\| \left(\tau \mu e - Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} s \right)^+ \right\|_F \le \beta \tau \mu \right\}$$

of the central path, where $\beta, \tau \in [0, 1]$. Motivated by Yang [19,20], we estimate the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$ by the ellipse $\xi(\alpha) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ [2] which is defined as follows:

$$\xi(\alpha) := \left\{ \left(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} : \left(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right) = \overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}} \cos(\alpha) + \overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}} \sin(\alpha) + \overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} \right\}, \quad (3.4)$$

where $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}$ and $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ are the axes of the ellipse which are perpendicular to each other and $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ is the center of the ellipse.

Let $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) = (\tilde{x}(\alpha_0), \tilde{s}(\alpha_0)) \in \xi(\alpha)$ be close to or on the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$. We proceed to determine the vectors $\overrightarrow{\mathbf{a}}, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{b}}, \overrightarrow{\mathbf{c}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ and the angle α_0 such that the first and second derivatives of $\xi(\alpha)$ at (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) are the same as those of $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$ at (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) . Therefor, defining $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ as the first and second derivatives of (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) and taking the first and second derivatives of (3.3) at (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) with respect to μ , we obtain

$$\begin{split} \widehat{M}\dot{\tilde{x}} - \dot{\tilde{s}} &= 0, \quad \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \tilde{s} + \tilde{x} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} = e, \\ \widehat{M}\ddot{\tilde{x}} - \ddot{\tilde{s}} &= 0, \quad \ddot{\tilde{x}} \circ \tilde{s} + 2\dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} + \tilde{x} \circ \ddot{\tilde{s}} = 0. \end{split}$$

In this paper, motivated by [14] and [25], we define the first and second derivatives at (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) to satisfy

$$\widetilde{M}\dot{\widetilde{x}} - \dot{\widetilde{s}} = 0, \quad \widetilde{s} \circ \dot{\widetilde{x}} + \widetilde{x} \circ \dot{\widetilde{s}} = \widetilde{r}_c, \tag{3.5}$$

$$\widetilde{M}\ddot{\tilde{x}} - \ddot{\tilde{s}} = 0, \quad \tilde{s} \circ \ddot{\tilde{x}} + \tilde{x} \circ \ddot{\tilde{s}} = -2\dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}}, \tag{3.6}$$

where $\tilde{r}_c := -[(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^- + \sqrt{r} (\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+]$. The reason for choosing \tilde{r}_c in equation (3.7) is that the extra computational effort is marginal compared to the computation of Newton search directions with choosing any classical terms such as e and $\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s}$ (see [14, 18, 25]).

Obviously, since M is a positive semidefinite matrix \widetilde{M} is also a positive semidefinite one. Let $\alpha \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$. The following lemma denotes the mathematical form of the ellipsoidal approximation of the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$.

Lemma 1 [Lemma 3.1 in [19]]. Let $\xi(\alpha)$ be the defined ellipse in (3.4) which passes a point (\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) . Moreover, assume that the first and second derivatives $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ satisfy (3.5) and (3.6). Then, after searching along the ellipse $\xi(\alpha)$, the new generated point $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$ is given by

$$\tilde{x}(\alpha) := \tilde{x} - \dot{\tilde{x}}\sin(\alpha) + \ddot{\tilde{x}}(1 - \cos(\alpha)), \qquad (3.7)$$

$$\tilde{s}(\alpha) := \tilde{s} - \dot{\tilde{s}}\sin(\alpha) + \ddot{\tilde{s}}(1 - \cos(\alpha)).$$
(3.8)

Due to the above lemma, the ellipsoidal approximation of the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$ is mathematically defined as follows:

$$\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha) := \left\{ (\widetilde{x}(\alpha), \widetilde{s}(\alpha)) : (\widetilde{x}(\alpha), \widetilde{s}(\alpha)) \text{ satisfies } (3.7) \text{ and } (3.8) \text{ with } \alpha \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}] \right\}.$$

However, after searching along the ellipsoidal central path $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$, the new generated point $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$ is given by Lemma 1. Defining $g(\alpha) := 1 - \cos(\alpha)$, we have

$$\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) = \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} - \sin(\alpha)\tilde{r}_c + \varphi(\alpha), \tag{3.9}$$

$$\varphi(\alpha) := -g^2(\alpha)\dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} - \sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)(\dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \ddot{\tilde{s}} + \dot{\tilde{s}} \circ \ddot{\tilde{x}}) + g^2(\alpha)\ddot{\tilde{x}} \circ \ddot{\tilde{s}}.$$
 (3.10)

3.1 Arc search algorithm

Here, the main idea of arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for monotone SCLCP is described. The arc search algorithm starts from an initial point $(x^0, s^0) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ which is close to or on the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$. Constructing an ellipse which passes through this point, the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$ is approximated. Then, instead of the central path $\mathcal{H}(\mu)$, the algorithm follows the ellipsoidal approximation $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$ to get a new iterate $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$. The new iterate $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$ not only reduces the duality gap $\operatorname{tr}(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})$ but also belongs to the wide neighborhood $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$. This procedure will be repeated until an ε -approximate solution of the monotone SCLCP is found.

Below, a more formal description of the algorithm is presented.

Algorithm 1. (Arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for monotone SCLCP)

- Input parameters: An accuracy parameter $\varepsilon > 0$, a neighborhood parameter $\beta \in (0, \frac{1}{2}]$, a centering parameter $\tau \in (0, \frac{1}{4}]$, an initial feasible point $(x^0, s^0) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ and $\mu^0 = \frac{1}{r} \operatorname{tr} (x^0 \circ s^0)$.
- Step 0: Set k=0,1,2,....

- Step 1: If $\tilde{\mu}^k \leq \varepsilon \tilde{\mu}^0$, stop. Otherwise, go to the next step.
- Step 2: Compute $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}}), (\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ respectively by the systems (3.5) and (3.6).
- Step 3: Calculate the largest step size $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^k)$ such that

$$\tilde{\mu}(\alpha) \le \left(1 - 0.5\sin(\alpha)\right)\tilde{\mu}^k,\tag{3.11}$$

$$(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta),$$
 (3.12)

for any step size $\sin(\alpha) \in [0, \sin(\hat{\alpha}^k)].$

- Step 4: Compute the new iterate $(\tilde{x}(\hat{\alpha}^k), \tilde{s}(\hat{\alpha}^k))$ by Lemma 1 and $\tilde{\mu}(\hat{\alpha}^k) :=$ **tr** $(\tilde{x}(\hat{\alpha}^k) \circ \tilde{s}(\hat{\alpha}^k))/r$.
- Step 5: Set $\tilde{\mu}^{k+1} = \tilde{\mu}(\hat{\alpha}^k)$ and k = k+1 and go to Step 1.

4 Complexity analysis of the algorithm

4.1 Technical lemmas

In this subsection, we state some technical lemmas which are required in proof of the convergence analysis of the algorithm.

Lemma 2. The neighborhood $\mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta)$ is scaling invariant, i.e., (x,s) belongs to the neighborhood $\mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta)$ iff (\tilde{x},\tilde{s}) does.

Proof. Due to Lemma 21 in [17], the vectors $Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}s}$ and $Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}\tilde{s}$ have the same eigenvalues. On the other hand, we can rewrite the neighborhood $\mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta)$ in term of the eigenvalues of $Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}s}$. This follows the result. \Box

Lemma 3. Let $x, s \in int\mathcal{K}$. If x and s are operator commute, then $Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}s = x \circ s$.

Proof. Let x and s be operator commute. Then, $x^{\frac{1}{2}}$ and s are also operator commute. This implies

$$\begin{split} Q_{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}s &= \Big[2L(x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2 - L(x)\Big]s = 2L(x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2L(s)e - x \circ s \\ &= 2L(s)L(x^{\frac{1}{2}})^2e - x \circ s = 2L(s)x - x \circ s = x \circ s \end{split}$$

This completes the proof. \Box

Corollary 1. Let $x, s \in int\mathcal{K}$ and \tilde{x} and \tilde{s} be as defined in (3.2). Then, $Q_{\tilde{x}^{\frac{1}{2}}}\tilde{s} = \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s}$.

Proof. Due to Lemma 2.2 in [11], if $x, s \in int\mathcal{K}$ then we have $\tilde{x}, \tilde{s} \in int\mathcal{K}$. Moreover, \tilde{x} and \tilde{s} are operator commute. The result directly follows by Lemma 3. \Box

The following lemma is a direct result of the positive semidefinite property of the matrix \tilde{M} in systems (3.5) and (3.6).

Lemma 4. Let $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ respectively be the solutions of systems (3.5) and (3.6). Then

$$tr(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}})\geq 0, \quad tr(\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}})\geq 0.$$

Lemma 5 [Lemma 5.3 in [18]]. Let $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ and $G := L_{\tilde{s}}^{-1}L_{\tilde{x}}$. Then,

$$\left\| \left(L_{\tilde{x}} L_{\tilde{s}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{r}_c \right\|_F^2 \le (1 + \beta \tau) \mu r$$

Lemma 6. Let $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$, $G := L_{\tilde{s}}^{-1}L_{\tilde{x}}$ and $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ be the solution of system (3.5). Then,

$$\left\|\dot{\ddot{x}} \circ \dot{\ddot{s}}\right\|_{F} \leq 0.5 \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left(1 + \beta \tau\right) \mu r, \tag{4.1}$$

$$tr\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right) \leq 0.5\sqrt{cond(G)}\left(1+\beta\tau\right)\mu r.$$

$$(4.2)$$

Proof. Multiplying the second equation in system (3.5) by $(L_{\tilde{x}}L_{\tilde{s}})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, taking squared norm on both sides and using Lemma 33 in [17] and Lemmas 4 and 5, we derive

$$\begin{split} \left\| \dot{\dot{x}} \circ \dot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F} &\leq \left\| \dot{\dot{x}} \right\|_{F} \left\| \dot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F} \leq 0.5 \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left(\left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}} \dot{\ddot{x}} \right\|_{F}^{2} + \left\| G^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \right) \\ &\leq 0.5 \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}} \dot{\ddot{x}} + G^{\frac{1}{2}} \dot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} = 0.5 \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left\| (L_{\tilde{x}} L_{\tilde{s}})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{r}_{c} \right\|_{F}^{2} \\ &\leq 0.5 \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} (1 + \beta \tau) \mu r, \end{split}$$

which implies (4.1). To prove (4.2), using Lemma 4.52 in [6], in the same way as the proof of (4.1), we obtain

$$\operatorname{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right) \leq \left\|\dot{\tilde{x}}\right\|_{F}\left\|\dot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\mu r.$$

This completes the proof. $\hfill\square$

Lemma 7. Let $\gamma := (1 - \beta) \tau$, $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$, $G := L_{\tilde{s}}^{-1}L_{\tilde{x}}$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ be the solution of system (3.6). Then,

$$\left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}} \ddot{\tilde{x}} + G^{\frac{1}{2}} \ddot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \operatorname{cond}(G) \left(1 + \beta \tau \right)^{2} \mu r^{2}.$$
(4.3)

Proof. Multiplying the second equation in system (3.6) by $(L_{\tilde{x}}L_{\tilde{s}})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$, taking squared norm on both sides and using Lemma 6, we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}} \ddot{\tilde{x}} + G^{\frac{1}{2}} \ddot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} &= 4 \left\| (L_{\tilde{x}} L_{\tilde{s}})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} = 4 \left\| (L_{\tilde{x}} L_{\tilde{s}})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right\|_{2}^{2} \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \\ &= 4\lambda_{\max} \left(L_{\tilde{x}} L_{\tilde{s}} \right)^{-1} \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} = \frac{4}{\lambda_{\min} \left(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)} \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \\ &\leq \frac{4}{\gamma \mu} \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \dot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \mathbf{cond}(G) \left(1 + \beta \tau \right)^{2} \mu r^{2}, \end{split}$$

where, the first inequality follows from $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$. This follows the result. \Box

Lemma 8. Let $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$, $G := L_{\tilde{s}}^{-1}L_{\tilde{x}}$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ be the solution of system (3.6). Then,

$$\left\|\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\operatorname{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{2}\mu r^{2},\tag{4.4}$$

$$tr(\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}) \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma}(cond(G))^{\frac{3}{2}}(1+\beta\tau)^{2}\mu r^{2}.$$

$$(4.5)$$

Proof. Using Lemma 33 in [17] and Lemmas 4 and 7, it follows

$$\begin{split} \|\ddot{\ddot{x}} \circ \ddot{\ddot{s}}\|_{F} &\leq \|\ddot{\ddot{x}}\|_{F} \|\ddot{\ddot{s}}\|_{F} \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left(\left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}}\ddot{\ddot{x}} \right\|_{F}^{2} + \left\| G^{\frac{1}{2}}\ddot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}}\ddot{\ddot{x}} + G^{\frac{1}{2}}\ddot{\ddot{s}} \right\|_{F}^{2} \leq \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left(\operatorname{cond}(G) \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(1 + \beta\tau \right)^{2} \mu r^{2}, \end{split}$$

which concludes the inequality (4.4). In the same way as the proof of (4.2), the inequality (4.5) is proved. This ends the proof. \Box

Lemma 9. Let $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ be the solutions of systems (3.5) and (3.6). Then,

$$\left\|\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \operatorname{cond}(G) \left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}, \tag{4.6}$$

$$\left\|\dot{\tilde{s}} \circ \ddot{\tilde{x}}\right\|_{F} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \operatorname{cond}(G) \left(1 + \beta \tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}.$$
(4.7)

Proof. Using Lemma 33 in [17] and Lemmas 6 and 8, we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \circ \ddot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F} &\leq \left\| \dot{\tilde{x}} \right\|_{F} \left\| \ddot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F} &\leq \sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)} \left\| G^{\frac{-1}{2}} \dot{\tilde{x}} \right\|_{F} \left\| G^{\frac{1}{2}} \ddot{\tilde{s}} \right\|_{F} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \operatorname{cond}(G) \left(1 + \beta \tau \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}, \end{split}$$

which implies (4.6). The proof of (4.7) is similar to (4.6) and therefore is omitted. \Box

Using Lemma 4.52 in [6] and Lemma 9, the following corollary is derived.

Corollary 2. Let $x, s \in int\mathcal{K}$ and $(\dot{\tilde{x}}, \dot{\tilde{s}})$ and $(\ddot{\tilde{x}}, \ddot{\tilde{s}})$ be the solutions of systems (3.5) and (3.6). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right)| &\leq \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}},\\ |\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right)| &\leq \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

4.2 Convergence analysis

In this subsection, we prove the polynomial complexity of Algorithm 1. To this end, we need to obtain a lower bound for the largest step size $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^k)$ such

that the conditions (3.11) and (3.12) are held. More precisely, it is necessary to obtain a lower bound for the step size $\sin(\hat{\alpha})$ such that it not only guarantees the reduction of the duality gap $\operatorname{tr}(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})$ but also ensures that the new generated point $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$ belongs to $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$. To this end, let to state the following lemma which plays an important role in our analysis.

Lemma 10. Let $\varphi(\alpha)$ be defined as (3.10). Then

$$d_1(\alpha) \le tr(\varphi(\alpha)) \le d_2(\alpha), \tag{4.8}$$

where

$$d_1(\alpha) := -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^4(\alpha)\mu r - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G)$$
$$\times (1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^3(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}, \quad d_2(\alpha) := \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$
$$\times \sin^3(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\operatorname{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}(1+\beta\tau)^2\sin^4(\alpha)\mu r^2.$$

Proof. To prove the left hand side inequality in (4.8), using Lemmas 4 and 6 and Corollary 2, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{tr}\left(\varphi(\alpha)\right) &= -g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right) - \sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}+\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right) + g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right) \\ &\geq -g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right) - \sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)\left(\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right) + \mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right)\right) \\ &\geq -\frac{1}{2}g^{2}(\alpha)\sqrt{\mathbf{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\mu r - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ &\geq -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\mathbf{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{3}(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which follows the left-hand side of the inequality in (4.8). On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{tr}\left(\varphi(\alpha)\right) &= -g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right) - \sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}+\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right) + g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right) \\ &\leq -\sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)\left(\mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right) + \mathbf{tr}\left(\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right)\right) + g^{2}(\alpha)\mathbf{tr}\left(\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{3}(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\mathbf{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}(1+\beta\tau)^{2}\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r^{2}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the right hand side inequality in (4.8). The proof is complete. \Box

Lemma 11. Let $\sin(\hat{\alpha})$ be the largest step size which satisfies the condition (3.11). Then, $\sin(\hat{\alpha}) \geq \sin(\hat{\alpha}^0)$, where $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := 0.5\beta \tau / \sqrt{r \operatorname{cond}(G)}$.

Proof. Due to (3.9), (3.10) and the definition of \tilde{r}_c , we have

$$\mu(\alpha) = \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{r} \operatorname{tr} \left(\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right) = \frac{1}{r} \left(\operatorname{tr} \left(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right) - \sin(\alpha) \operatorname{tr} \left(\tilde{r}_c \right) + \operatorname{tr} \left(\varphi(\alpha) \right) \right)$$
$$= \mu + \sin(\alpha) \left(\tau \mu - \mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \operatorname{tr} \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^+ \right) + \frac{\operatorname{tr} \left(\varphi(\alpha) \right)}{r}$$
$$\leq \mu + \sin(\alpha) \left(\tau \mu - \mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{\sqrt{r}} \left\| \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^+ \right\|_F \right) + \frac{d_2(\alpha)}{r}.$$

Thus, using the definition of $\mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta)$ and Lemma 10, we derive

$$\begin{split} \mu(\alpha) &\leq \mu + (\tau - 1 + \beta\tau)\sin(\alpha)\mu + \frac{1}{r}d_{2}(\alpha) = \mu + (\tau - 1 + \beta\tau)\sin(\alpha)\mu \\ &+ \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{3}(\alpha)\mu\sqrt{r} + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\mathbf{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}(1 + \beta\tau)^{2}\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r \\ &\leq \left[1 - \left[1 - \tau - \beta\tau - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\mathbf{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{2}(\hat{\alpha}^{0})\sqrt{r} \\ &- \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\mathbf{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}(1 + \beta\tau)^{2}\sin^{3}(\hat{\alpha}^{0})r\right]\sin(\alpha)\right]\mu \\ &\leq \left[1 - \left[1 - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\gamma r}}\left(1 + \beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\beta^{2}\tau^{2} - \frac{1}{16\gamma\sqrt{r}}\left(1 + \beta\tau\right)^{2}\beta^{3}\tau^{3}\right]\sin(\alpha)\right]\mu \\ &\leq \left[1 - \left[\frac{5}{8} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\left(1 + \beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\beta^{2}\tau^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}}\left(1 + \beta\tau\right)^{2}\beta^{3}\tau^{2}\right]\sin(\alpha)\right]\mu \\ &\leq \left[1 - \left(0.625 - 0.015 - 0.001\right)\sin(\alpha)\right]\mu \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\sin(\alpha)\right)\mu, \end{split}$$

where the third inequality is due to $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := \frac{\beta\tau}{2\sqrt{r}\operatorname{cond}(G)}$ and the last three inequalities follow from the facts $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\tau}}$, $r \geq 3$, $\tau \leq \frac{1}{4}$ and $\beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$. This implies that $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0)$ is a lower bound for the largest step size $\sin(\hat{\alpha})$ which satisfies the condition (3.11). The result is derived. \Box

Lemma 12. Let $\sin(\hat{\alpha}) \geq \sin(\hat{\alpha}^0)$, where $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := \frac{\beta \tau}{2\sqrt{r \operatorname{cond}(G)}}$. Then, for $\sin(\alpha) \in [0, \sin(\hat{\alpha})]$,

$$\tilde{\mu}(\alpha) \ge (1 - \sin(\alpha))\,\mu. \tag{4.9}$$

Proof. Using (3.9) and Lemma 10, we conclude

$$\mathbf{tr} \left(\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right) = \mathbf{tr} \left(\tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right) - \sin(\alpha) \mathbf{tr} \left(\tilde{r}_c \right) + \mathbf{tr} \left(\varphi(\alpha) \right)$$
$$= r\mu + \sin(\alpha) \left(\tau r\mu - r\mu + \left(\sqrt{r} - 1 \right) \mathbf{tr} \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^+ \right) + \mathbf{tr} \left(\varphi(\alpha) \right)$$
$$\geq \left(1 - \sin(\alpha) \right) r\mu + \sin(\alpha) \tau r\mu + d_1(\alpha).$$
(4.10)

On the other hand, we have

$$\sin(\alpha)\tau r\mu + d_{1}(\alpha) = \sin(\alpha)\tau r\mu - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r$$

$$-\frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{3}(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}} \ge \sin(\alpha)r\mu \qquad (4.11)$$

$$\times \left[\tau - \frac{\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}}{2}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^{3}(\hat{\alpha}_{0}) - \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{2}(\hat{\alpha}_{0})\sqrt{r}\right]$$

$$\ge \sin(\alpha)r\mu \left[\tau - \frac{1}{2}(1+\beta\tau)\frac{\beta^{3}\tau^{3}}{8\operatorname{cond}(G)r^{\frac{3}{2}}} - 2\sqrt{2}(1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\frac{\beta^{2}\tau^{\frac{3}{2}}}{4\sqrt{r}}\right] \ge 0,$$

$$(4.12)$$

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where the last inequality holds for $r \geq 3$ and it follows from $\tau \in (0, \frac{1}{4}]$ and $\beta \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Substituting (4.11) into (4.10), one has $\tilde{\mu}(\alpha) \geq (1 - \sin(\alpha)) \mu$, which concludes the result and ends the proof. \Box

The following lemma is directly used in the proof of Lemma 14

Lemma 13. Let $\tilde{\mu}(\alpha) > 0$ and $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := \frac{\beta \tau}{2\sqrt{r \operatorname{cond}(G)}}$. Then, for all step size $\sin(\alpha) \in [0, \sin(\hat{\alpha}^0)]$, one has

$$\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha)e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha)\tilde{r}_c\right)^+ \right\|_F \le \left(1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\right)\beta\tau\mu.$$
(4.13)

Proof. Due to Lemma 11, we have $\mu(\alpha) \leq \mu$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha)e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha)\tilde{r}_c)^+ \right\|_F &\leq \left\| (\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha)\tilde{r}_c)^+ \right\|_F \\ &\leq \left\| \left[(1 - \sin(\alpha)) \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^- + (1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}) \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^+ \right]^+ \right\|_F \\ &\leq \left\| \left[(1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}) \left(\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} \right)^+ \right]^+ \right\|_F \\ &= (1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r})^+ \left\| (\tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+ \right\|_F \leq (1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}) \beta \tau \mu, \end{aligned}$$

where the third inequality follows from Lemma 5.7 in [18] and the last one is due to the facts $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ and $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}$. This completes the proof. \Box

Now, we are ready to present the main result of the paper.

Lemma 14. Let $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := 0.5\beta\tau/\sqrt{rcond(G)}$ and $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$ be defined as in Lemma 1. Then, for all $\sin(\alpha) \in [0, \sin(\hat{\alpha}^0)]$

$$(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta).$$

Proof. To prove the lemma, we need to show that $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) \in \mathcal{F}^0$ and also $\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - Q_{\tilde{x}(\alpha)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right)^+ \right\|_F \leq \beta \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha)$. To this end, using Lemma 5.17 in [18], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha))^{+} \right\|_{F} &= \left\| (\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha) \tilde{r}_{c} - \varphi(\alpha))^{+} \right\|_{F} \\ &\leq \left\| (\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha) \tilde{r}_{c})^{+} \right\|_{F} + \left\| (\varphi(\alpha))^{-} \right\|_{F} \\ &\leq \left\| (\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha) \tilde{r}_{c})^{+} \right\|_{F} + \left\| \varphi(\alpha) \right\|_{F}. \end{aligned}$$

(4.14)

Thus, $\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right)^+ \right\|_F \leq \beta \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha)$, if $\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \sin(\alpha) \tilde{r}_c \right)^+ \right\|_F + \|\varphi(\alpha)\|_F \leq \beta \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha).$ Using Lemmas 6, 8 and 9, it follows

$$\begin{split} \|\varphi(\alpha)\|_{F} &= \left\|-g^{2}(\alpha)\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}} - \sin(\alpha)g(\alpha)(\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}} + \dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}) + g^{2}(\alpha)\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} \\ &\leq \sin^{4}(\alpha)\left\|\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\dot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} + \sin^{3}(\alpha)\left(\left\|\dot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} + \left\|\dot{\tilde{s}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{x}}\right\|_{F}\right) + \sin^{4}(\alpha)\left\|\ddot{\tilde{x}}\circ\ddot{\tilde{s}}\right\|_{F} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G)\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{3}(\alpha)\mu r^{\frac{3}{2}} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\operatorname{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{2}\sin^{4}(\alpha)\mu r^{2} \\ &\leq \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\mu\left[\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\sin^{3}(\hat{\alpha}^{0})\sqrt{r} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\gamma}}\operatorname{cond}(G) \\ &\times (1+\beta\tau)^{\frac{3}{2}}\sin^{2}(\hat{\alpha}^{0})r + \frac{1}{2\gamma}\left(\operatorname{cond}(G)\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{2}\sin^{3}(\hat{\alpha}^{0})r^{\frac{3}{2}}\right] \\ &\leq \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu\left[\frac{1}{16r}\frac{1}{\operatorname{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)\beta^{2}\tau^{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\left(1+\beta\tau\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\beta\sqrt{\tau} \\ &+ \frac{1}{8}(1+\beta\tau)^{2}\beta^{2}\tau\right] \leq \frac{22}{100}\sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu, \end{split}$$

where the last inequality follows from $r \ge 3$, $\tau \le \frac{1}{4}$, $\beta \le \frac{1}{2}$ and $\operatorname{cond}(G) \ge 1$. Now, using Lemma 12, Lemma 13 and (4.15), we derive

$$\begin{split} \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - xs + \sin(\alpha)r_c)^+ \right\| + \left\|\varphi(\alpha)\right\| - \beta\tau\mu(\alpha) \\ &\leq \left(1 - \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\right)\beta\tau\mu + \frac{22}{100}\sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu - (1 - \sin(\alpha))\beta\tau\mu \\ &= \sin(\alpha)\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu \left(-1 + \frac{22}{100} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}}\right) \leq 0, \end{split}$$

which implies inequality (4.14). Therefore

$$\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha)e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha)\right)^+ \right\|_F \le \beta \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha).$$
(4.16)

On the other hand, due to (4.16) and Lemma 12, we have

$$\lambda_i \left(\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right) \ge (1 - \beta) \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) \ge (1 - \beta) \left(1 - \sin(\alpha) \right) \tau \mu > 0,$$

which implies $\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \in int\mathcal{K}$ and therefore, using Lemma 2.15 in [23], $\det(\tilde{x}(\alpha)) \neq 0$ and $\det(\tilde{s}(\alpha)) \neq 0$ for all $\alpha \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}[$. Furthermore, since $\tilde{x} \in int\mathcal{K}$ and $\tilde{s} \in int\mathcal{K}$, by the continuity, it follows that both $\tilde{x}(\alpha)$ and $\tilde{s}(\alpha)$ belong to $int\mathcal{K}$ for $\alpha \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2}[$. Moreover, since $\tilde{s}(\alpha) = \tilde{M}\tilde{x}(\alpha) + \tilde{q}$ it follows that $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) \in \mathcal{F}^0$.

Finally, using Lemma 5.10 in [12] and (4.16), we conclude

$$\left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - Q_{\tilde{x}(\alpha)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right)^+ \right\|_F \le \left\| \left(\tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) \right)^+ \right\|_F \le \beta \tau \tilde{\mu}(\alpha).$$

This result is concluded. \Box

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4.3 Iteration bound

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Now, we are ready to compute the complexity bound of Algorithm 1. The following lemma tasks this goal.

Lemma 15. Let $\sqrt{\operatorname{cond}(G)}$ be bounded above by $\kappa < \infty$ for all iterations, $(x,s) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau,\beta)$ and $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := 0.5\beta\tau/\sqrt{r\operatorname{cond}(G)}$. Then, Algorithm 1 will terminate in at most $O\left(\kappa\sqrt{r}\log\varepsilon^{-1}\right)$ iterations.

Proof. Let $\sin(\hat{\alpha}^0) := 0.5\beta \tau / \sqrt{r \text{cond}(G)}$. Then, due to (3.11), we have

$$\begin{split} \mu(\hat{\alpha}^{k+1}) &= \tilde{\mu}(\hat{\alpha}^{k+1}) &\leq \prod_{i=1}^{k} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\hat{\alpha}^{i}\right) \right) \mu^{0} \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} \sin\left(\hat{\alpha}^{0}\right) \right)^{k} \mu^{0} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\beta \tau}{\sqrt{r \operatorname{cond}(G)}} \right)^{k} \mu^{0} \leq \left(1 - \frac{1}{4} \frac{\beta \tau}{\kappa \sqrt{r}} \right)^{k} \mu^{0}, \end{split}$$

which implies

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\frac{\beta\tau}{\kappa\sqrt{r}}\right)^k \mu^0 \le \varepsilon,$$

for $k \ge (4\kappa\sqrt{r}\log\varepsilon^{-1})/(\beta\tau)$. Therefore, Algorithm 1 will terminate after at most $\lceil 4\kappa\sqrt{r}\log\varepsilon^{-1} \rceil$ iterations. This completes the proof. \Box

The following lemma gives a bound on $\operatorname{cond}(G)$ for some specific search directions.

Lemma 16 [Lemma 36 in [17]]. For the NT direction, cond(G) = 1 while for the xs and sx directions, $cond(G) \leq r/\gamma$.

Using the bounds on $\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}$ in Lemma 16 for the NT, xs and sx search directions, we have the following iteration complexities.

Corollary 3. If the NT search direction is used, the iteration complexity of Algorithm 1 is $O(\sqrt{r}\log \varepsilon^{-1})$. If the *xs* and *sx* search directions are used, the iteration complexities of Algorithm 1 are $O(r\log \varepsilon^{-1})$.

5 Concluding remarks

This paper proposed an arc search feasible interior-point algorithm for monotone SCLCPs. The algorithm follows an ellipsoidal approximation of the central path and generates a sequence of iterates in a wide neighborhood of the central path. For a commutative class of search directions which includes NT-search direction and the xs and sx directions, the convergence analysis of the algorithm was proved. Moreover, we derived the complexity bound of the algorithm and proved that it coincides with the currently best known theoretical complexity bounds for feasible interior-point algorithm.

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