

Generalized Trust Region Subproblem

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Outline

- Generalized trust region subproblem.
- Optimality conditions.
- Preprocessing, easy case and hard cases.
- (Extended) Rendl-Wolkowicz algorithm.
- Preliminary numerical results.

Generalized Trust Region Subproblem (GTRS)

The generalized trust region subproblem:

$$\begin{aligned} q^* &:= \min q(x) := x^T A x - 2a^T x \\ \text{s.t. } &l \leq \underbrace{x^T B x - 2b^T x}_{q_1(x)} \leq u, \end{aligned}$$

where $A, B \in \mathcal{S}^n$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

- Reduces to trust region subproblem (TRS) when $B = I$, $b = 0$, $0 = l < u$.
- Possible applications: TR methods for unconstr. min., subproblems for constrained optimization, regularization of ill-posed problems...

Assumptions on GTRS

- $B \neq 0$
- GTRS is feasible and bounded below.
- The following constraint qualification holds

$$\text{(CQ)} \quad \text{tr}(B\hat{X}) - 2b^T \hat{x} \in \text{ri}([\ell, u]), \quad \text{for some } \hat{X} \succ \hat{x}\hat{x}^T.$$

- The dual problem is feasible; i.e.,

$$\exists \lambda \text{ s.t. } a - \lambda b \in \mathcal{R}(A - \lambda B) \text{ and } A - \lambda B \succeq 0.$$

Optimality conditions I

Fact 1 (P, Wolkowicz '12): The optimal value of GTRS equals that of its SDP relaxation and its dual, where

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{SDP}^* := \inf \quad & \text{tr}(AX) - 2a^T x \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \ell \leq \text{tr}(BX) - 2b^T x \leq u, \\
 & X \succeq xx^T,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{DSDP}^* := \sup \quad & \ell\lambda_+ - u\lambda_- - \gamma \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{bmatrix} \gamma & -(a - \lambda b)^T \\ -(a - \lambda b) & A - \lambda B \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, the dual optimal value is attained.

Optimality conditions II

Fact 2 (P, Wolkowicz '12): x^* optimal for GTRS iff $\exists \lambda^*$ s.t.

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 (A - \lambda^* B)x^* &= a - \lambda^* b, \\
 A - \lambda^* B &\succeq 0, \\
 \ell &\leq x^{*T} B x^* - 2b^T x^* \leq u, \\
 (\lambda^*)_+ (\ell - x^{*T} B x^* + 2b^T x^*) &= 0, \\
 (\lambda^*)_-(x^{*T} B x^* - 2b^T x^* - u) &= 0.
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Fact 3 (Gay '81; Moré, Sorensen '83): x^* is optimal for TRS iff $\exists \lambda^*$ s.t.

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 (A - \lambda^* I)x^* &= a, \\
 A - \lambda^* I &\succeq 0, \lambda^* \leq 0, \\
 \|x^*\|^2 &\leq u, \\
 \lambda^* (u - \|x^*\|^2) &= 0.
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Then:

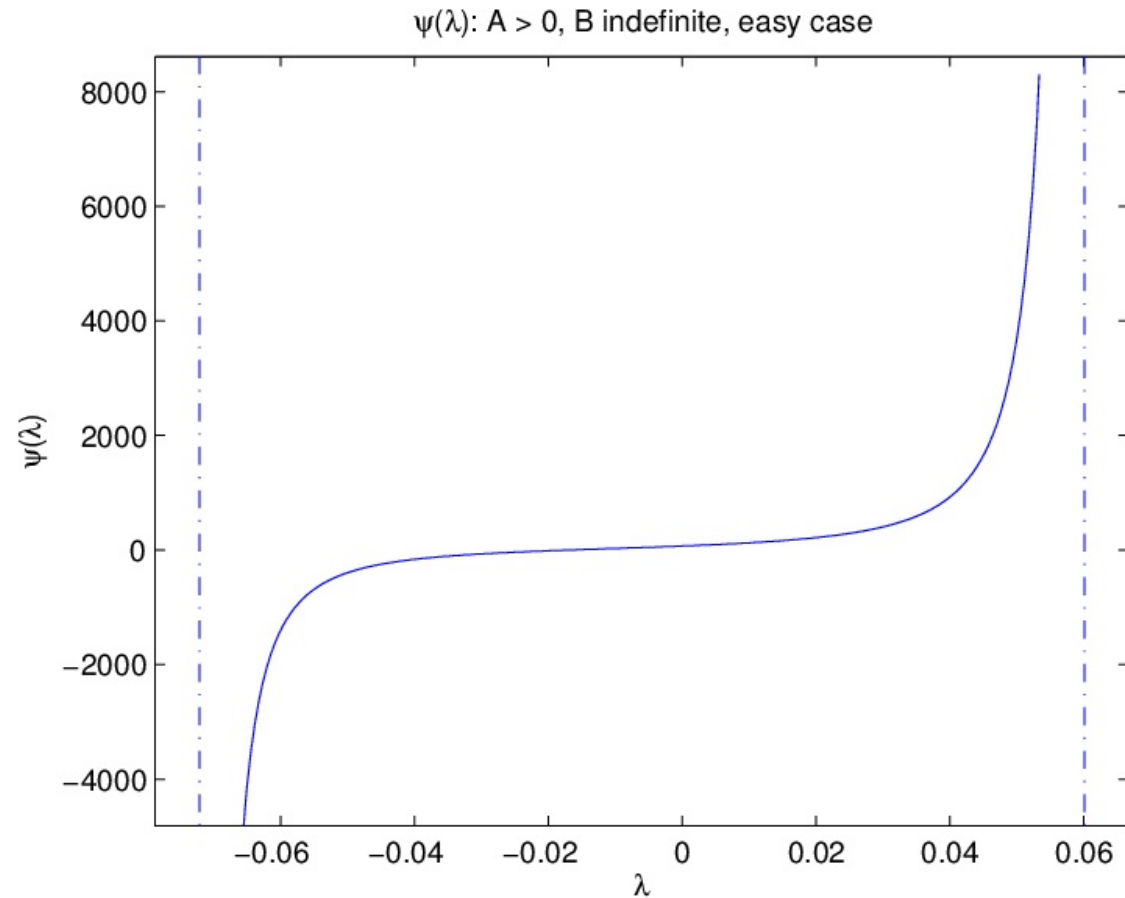
- GTRS has an optimal solution.
- There exists invertible matrix S s.t.

$$A = S \text{diag}(\alpha) S^T \quad B = S \text{diag}(\beta) S^T.$$

- $$A - \lambda B \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow \underline{\lambda} := \max_{\{i:\beta_i < 0\}} \frac{\alpha_i}{\beta_i} \leq \lambda \leq \min_{\{i:\beta_i > 0\}} \frac{\alpha_i}{\beta_i} =: \bar{\lambda}.$$
- Denote $x(\lambda) := (A - \lambda B)^{-1}(a - \lambda b)$ on $(\underline{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda})$.

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Other cases ($\underline{\lambda} \geq 0$ or $\bar{\lambda} \leq 0$) considered similarly.

Denote the resulting equality constraint as $q_1(x) = s$.

Easy/Hard Cases for GTRS

Consider $\psi(\lambda) = s$ on $(\underline{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda})$.

	Easy case	Hard case 1	Hard case 2
$\underline{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda}$ finite	$a - \bar{\lambda}b \notin \mathcal{R}(A - \bar{\lambda}B)$ and $a - \underline{\lambda}b \notin \mathcal{R}(A - \underline{\lambda}B)$ $(\Rightarrow \underline{\lambda} < \lambda^* < \bar{\lambda})$	$a - \bar{\lambda}b \perp \mathcal{N}(A - \bar{\lambda}B)$ or $a - \underline{\lambda}b \perp \mathcal{N}(A - \underline{\lambda}B)$ $\underline{\lambda} < \lambda^* < \bar{\lambda}$	$a - \bar{\lambda}b \perp \mathcal{N}(A - \bar{\lambda}B)$ $\lambda^* = \bar{\lambda}$ or $a - \underline{\lambda}b \perp \mathcal{N}(A - \underline{\lambda}B)$ $\lambda^* = \underline{\lambda}$
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Hard Case 2: Explicit Solution

Fact 4 (Moré '93): If $\bar{\lambda}$ is finite, then

$$v^T Bv > 0, \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{N}(A - \bar{\lambda}B) \setminus \{0\}.$$

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Since ψ is non-decreasing on $(\underline{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda})$,

- When $\lambda^* = \bar{\lambda}$, the solution is $x(\bar{\lambda}) + v$ for some $v \in \mathcal{N}(A - \bar{\lambda}B)$;
- When $\lambda^* = \underline{\lambda}$, the solution is $x(\underline{\lambda}) + v$ for some $v \in \mathcal{N}(A - \underline{\lambda}B)$.

Some Representative Algorithms for TRS

Newton-type method on the dual function/secular function:

- Moré and Sorensen algorithm (Moré, Sorensen '83);
- Generalized Lanczos Trust-Region algorithm (Gould et al. '99, '10).

Reformulation into parameterized eigenvalue problem:

- Rendl-Wolkowicz algorithm (Rendl, Wolkowicz '97; Fortin, Wolkowicz '03);
- Large Scale Trust-Region Subproblem algorithm (Rojas et al. '00, '09).

Extended Rendl-Wolkowicz Algorithm

Consider equality constrained problem $\mu^* = \min_{x^T Bx - 2b^T x = s} x^T Ax - 2a^T x$ and assume $s \neq -1$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu^* &= \min_{x^T Bx - 2b^T x = s, y_0^2 = 1} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 \\
&= \max_t \min_{x^T Bx - 2b^T x y_0 = s, y_0^2 = 1} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 + t y_0^2 - t \\
&\geq \max_t \min_{x^T Bx - 2b^T x y_0 + y_0^2 = s + 1} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 + t y_0^2 - t \quad ** \text{ eig prob } ** \\
&\geq \max_{t, \lambda} \min_{x, y_0} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 + t y_0^2 - t + \lambda (x^T Bx - 2b^T x y_0 + y_0^2 - s - 1) \\
&= \max_{r, \lambda} \min_{x, y_0} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 + r y_0^2 - r + \lambda (x^T Bx - 2b^T x y_0 - s) \\
&= \max_{\lambda} \min_{x, y_0^2 = 1} x^T Ax - 2a^T x y_0 + \lambda (x^T Bx - 2b^T x y_0 - s) = \mu^*.
\end{aligned}$$

Extended Rendl-Wolkowicz Algorithm

From the eig prob:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu^* &= \max_t \min_{x^T Bx - 2b^T xy_0 + y_0^2 = s+1} \underbrace{x^T Ax - 2a^T xy_0 + ty_0^2}_{k_0(t)} - t \\ &= \max_t k(t) := k_0(t) - t \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} k_0(t) &:= \inf_{x^T Bx - 2b^T xy_0 + y_0^2 = s+1} x^T Ax - 2a^T xy_0 + ty_0^2 \\ &= \inf \left\{ y^T \begin{bmatrix} t & -a^T \\ -a & A \end{bmatrix} y : y^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -b^T \\ -b & B \end{bmatrix} y = s+1 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

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- In TRS, $B = I$, $b = 0$ and $s > 0$, evaluating $k_0(t) \Leftrightarrow$ finding min. eig.;
- When $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -b^T \\ -b & B \end{bmatrix} \succ 0$, evaluating $k_0(t) \Leftrightarrow$ finding min. gen. eig.;

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- In general, using a $\hat{\lambda}$ with

$$\tilde{A} := \begin{bmatrix} t & -a^T \\ -a & A \end{bmatrix} - \hat{\lambda} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -b^T \\ -b & B \end{bmatrix} \succ 0,$$

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Fact 5 (P, Wolkowicz '12): Suppose that B is either indefinite or positive semidefinite. Let

$$t_- := - \inf_{x^T B x - 2b^T x = -1} x^T A x - 2a^T x,$$
$$s_- := \inf x^T B x - 2b^T x.$$

- If $s_- < -1$, then $\text{dom}(k) = [t_-, \infty)$;
- If $s_- > -1$, then $k(t)$ is defined everywhere.

In either case, k is continuous and concave on its domain, and is differentiable in the interior of the domain except possibly at one point.

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Fact 6 (P, Wolkowicz '12): In the easy case/hard case 1, $t^* > t_-$ and there exists a generalized eigenvalue $\lambda^* \in (\underline{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda})$ of the matrix pair

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} t^* & -a^T \\ -a & A \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -b^T \\ -b & B \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

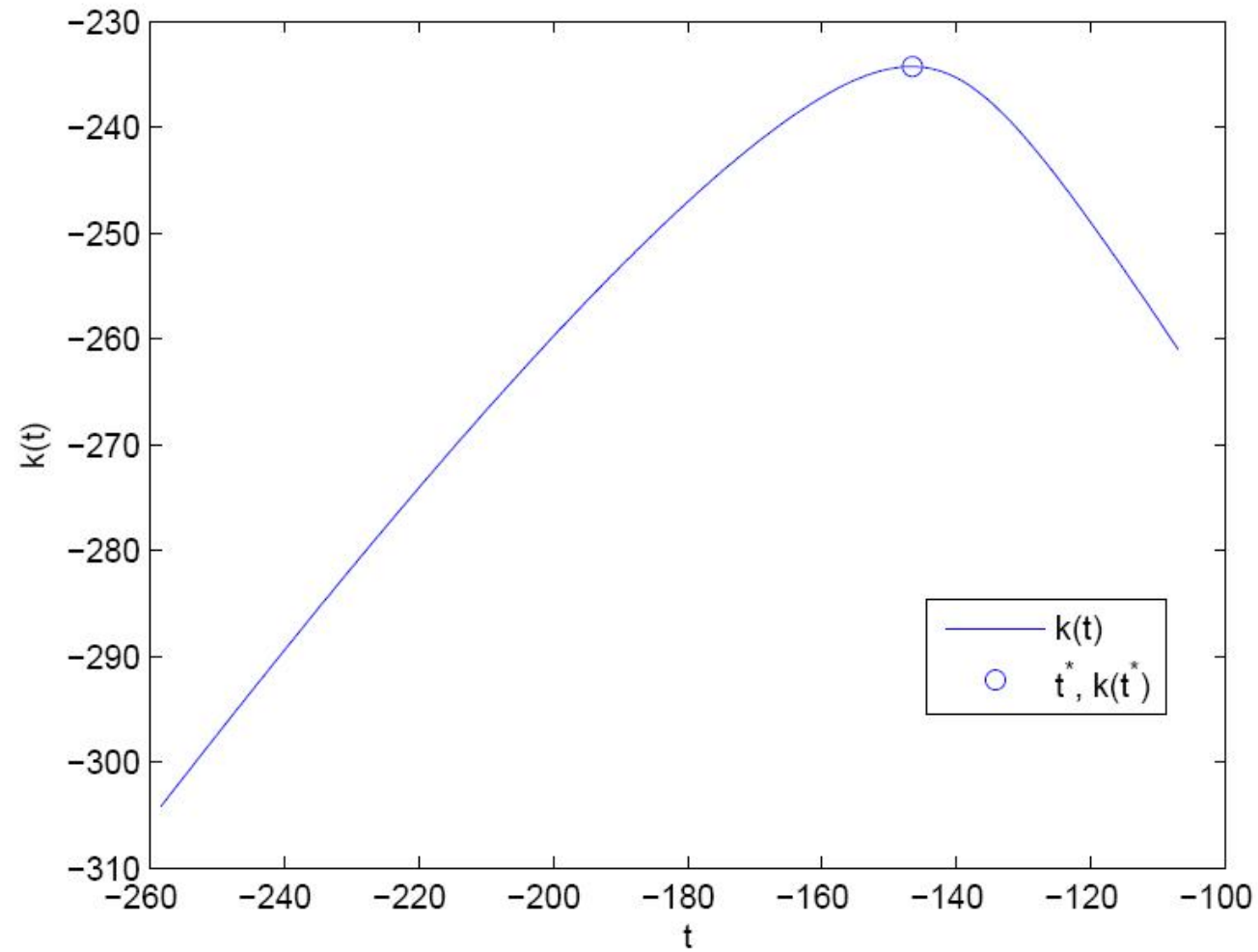
with a generalized eigenvector $y(t^*) = \begin{bmatrix} y_0(t^*) \\ w(t^*) \end{bmatrix}$ satisfying

$$y_0(t^*) \neq 0 \text{ and } y(t^*)^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -b^T \\ -b & B \end{bmatrix} y(t^*) = \text{sign}(s + 1).$$

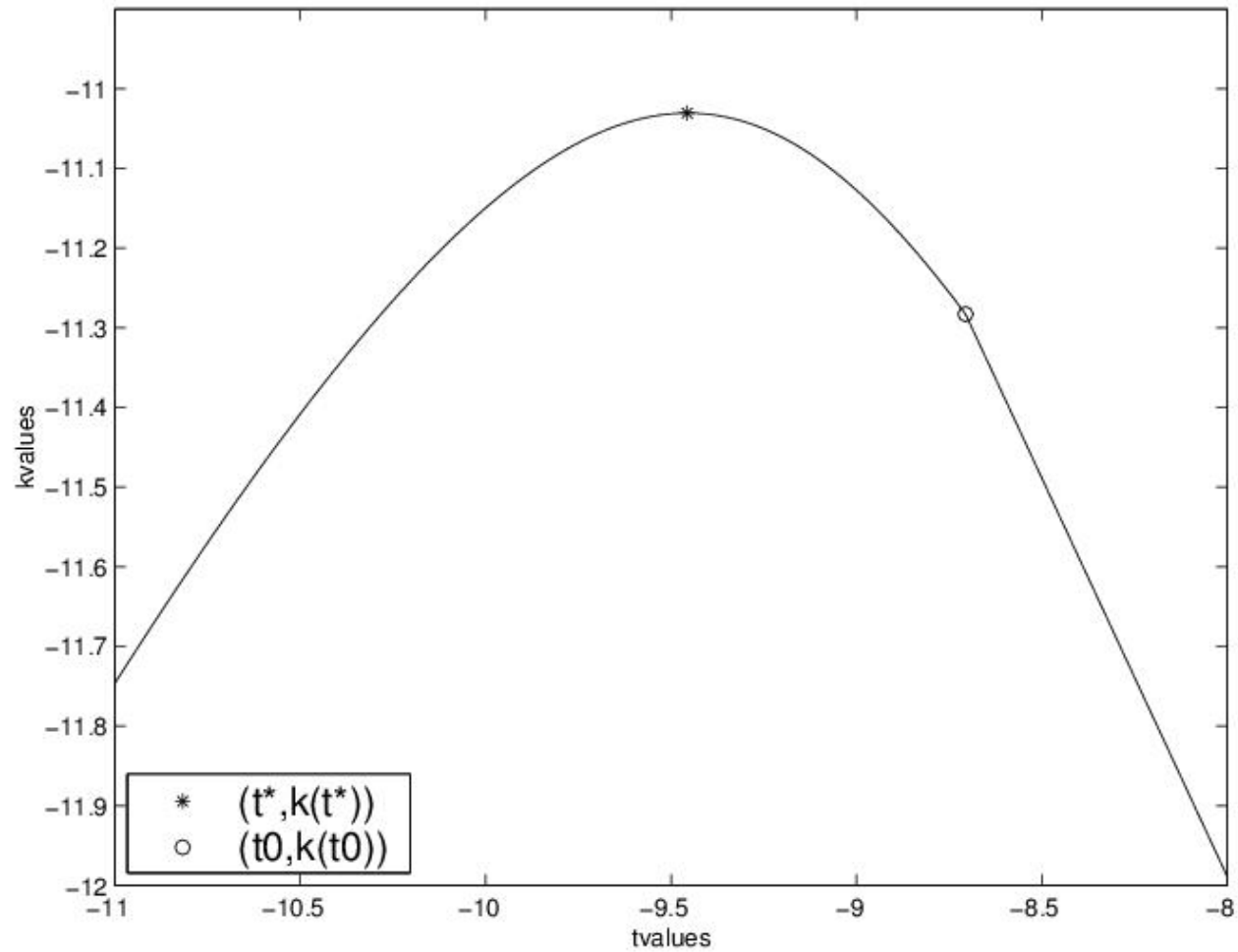
Moreover, $x^* := \frac{w(t^*)}{y_0(t^*)}$ solves GTRS, i.e.,

$$x^* = \arg \min_{x^T B x - 2b^T x = s} x^T A x - 2a^T x.$$

$k(t)$ in Easy Case, $s_- > -1$



$k(t)$ in Hard Case 1, $s_- > -1$



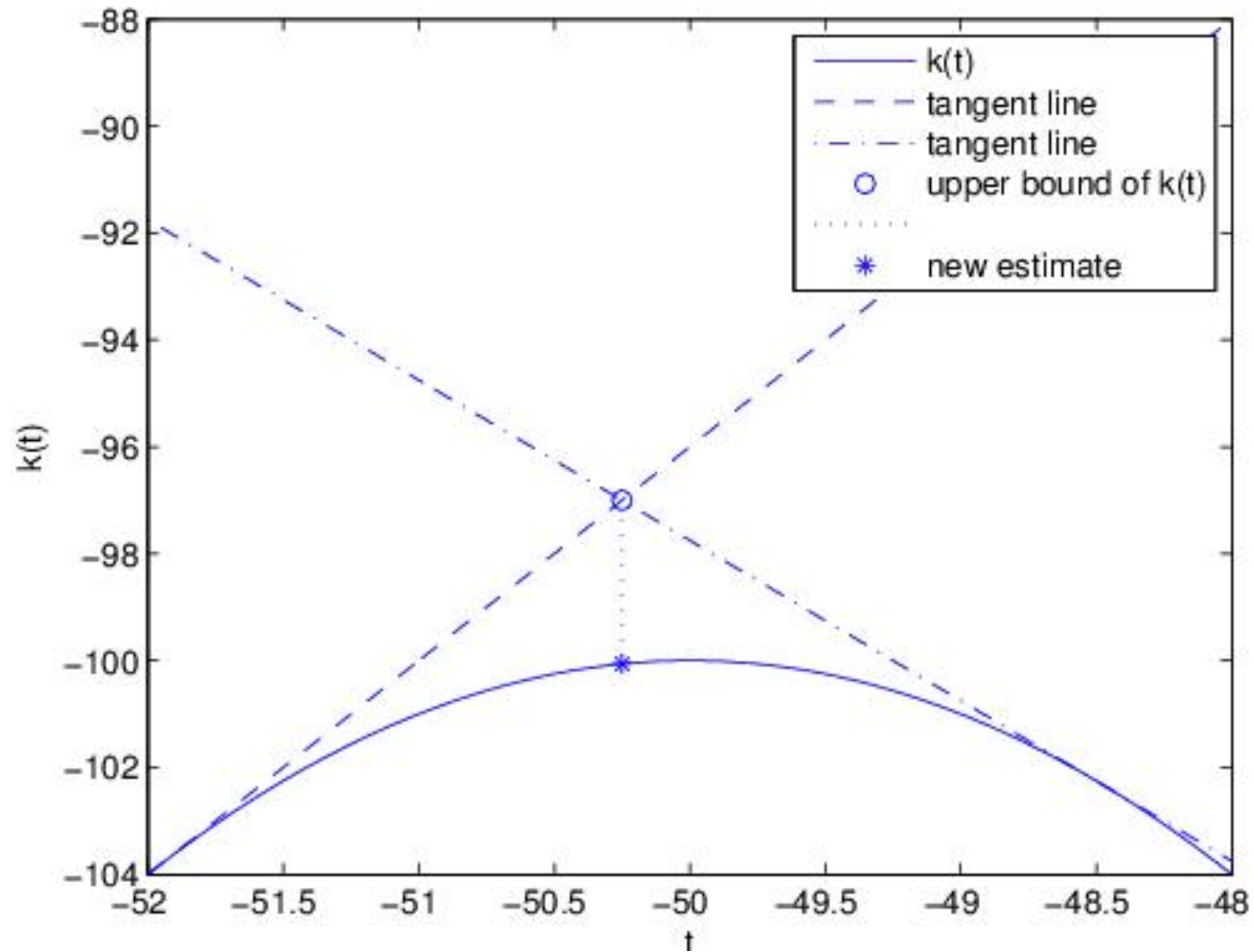
Maximizing $k(t)$

- Triangle Interpolation.
- Vertical Cut.
- Inverse Linear Interpolation: consider

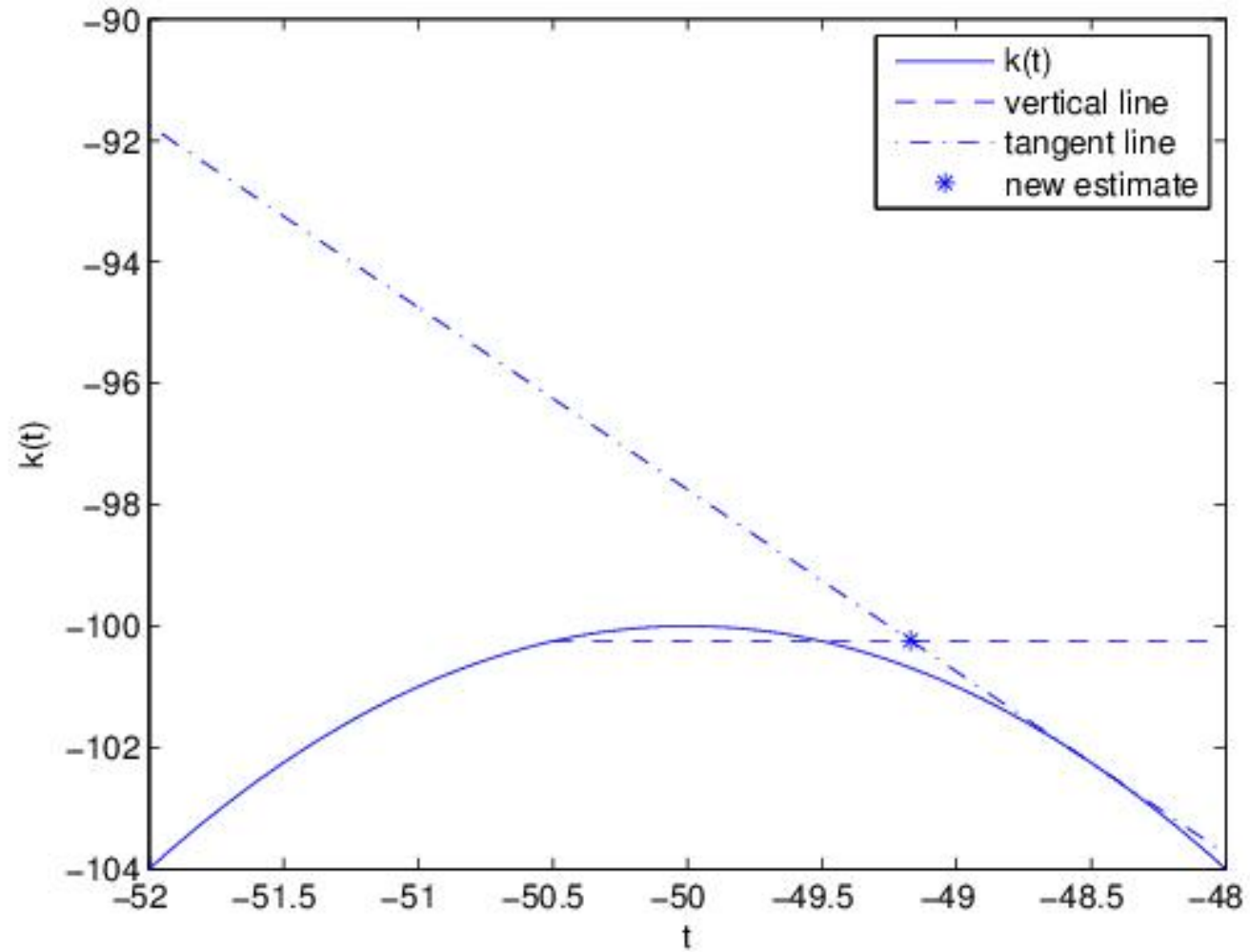
$$\Psi(t) := \sqrt{|s+1|} - \frac{1}{y_0(t)}.$$

Approximate the inverse of Ψ by a linear function $t(\Psi) = a\Psi + b$, and set $t_+ = t(0)$.

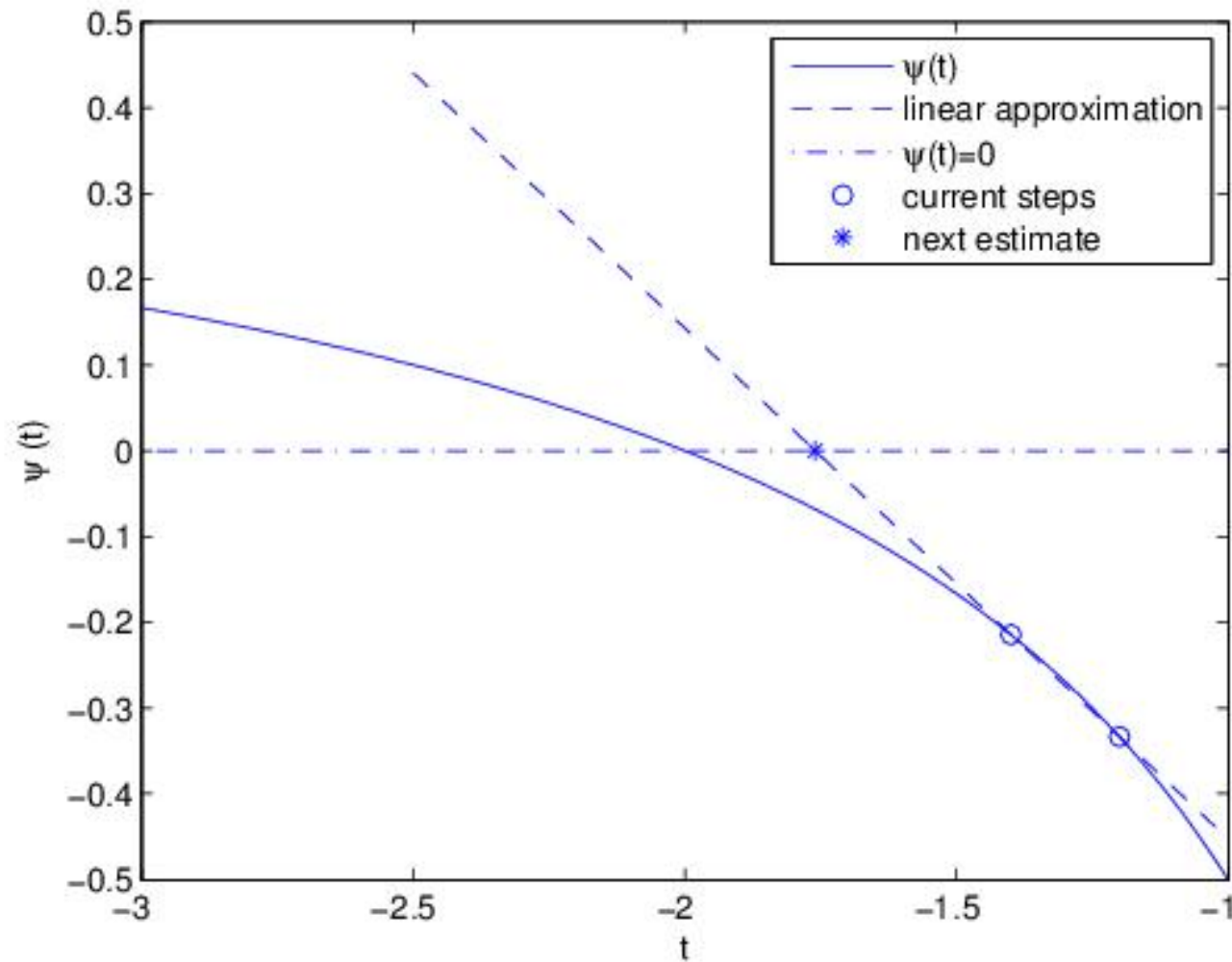
Triangle Interpolation



Vertical Cut



Inverse Linear Interpolation



Simulations: $b = 0$

- Use eigfp (Golub, Ye '02) to compute generalized eigenvalues.
- Termination for RW algorithm:

$$\max \left\{ \frac{|k'(t)|^2}{|s+1|^2}, \frac{|q_0(x) - k(t)|}{|q_0^{\text{best}}| + 1}, \frac{|q_1(x) - s|}{|s| + 1}, \frac{\|Ax - \lambda Bx - a\|^2}{(\|A\|_2 + \|a\| + 1)^2} \right\} < 10^{-13}$$

- Compare with Newton + Armijo on dual function, termination:

$$\max \left\{ \frac{|q_0(x) - d(\lambda)|}{|q_0(x)| + 1}, \frac{|q_1(x) - s|}{|s| + 1}, \frac{\|Ax - \lambda Bx - a\|^2}{(\|A\|_2 + \|a\| + 1)^2} \right\} < 10^{-12}.$$

- Two 2.4 GHz quad-core Intel E5620 Xeon 64-bit CPUs, 48 GB RAM, Matlab 7.14 (R2012a).

Simulations: $B \succ 0, b = 0$

- Notice that $s_- = 0 > -1$.
- One can show that (P, Wolkowicz '12)

$$\bar{\lambda} - \sqrt{\frac{a^T B^{-1} a}{s}} \leq t^* \leq \bar{\lambda} + \sqrt{s a^T B^{-1} a}.$$

Use these end points to initialize RW algorithm.

- Newton method initialized at $\lambda^0 = \bar{\lambda} - 1$.
- Consider two cases: A indefinite or $A \succ 0$.

Simulations: $B \succ 0$, $b = 0$, indef. A

For each $n = 10000, 15000, 20000$, generate 10 “easy instances”:

```
B = sprandsym(n, 1e-2, 0.1, 2); A = sprandsym(n, 1e-2);
lambda = eigifp(A, B, 1, opts) - 5 - 5*rand(1);
x = randn(n, 1)/10; a = (A - lambda*B)*x; s = x'*B*x;
u = 1.2*s; l = 0.8*s;
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Apply Newton to dual function with $s = u$.

Table 1: Indef. A and $B \succ 0$.

n	RW	Newton+Armijo
	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}
10000	6/4.92/-4.106880221e+4/4.1e-13	9/6.89/-4.106880222e+4/5.5e-07
15000	6/12.89/-9.910679264e+4/5.5e-13	9/17.56/-9.910679264e+4/1.0e-07
20000	6/19.26/-1.443904856e+5/1.6e-12	9/29.85/-1.443904856e+5/8.7e-07

Simulations: $B \succ 0, b = 0, A \succ 0$

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```
B = sprandsym(n, 1e-2, 0.1, 2);
A = sprandsym(n, 1e-2, 0.1, 2) + 10*B;
lambda = eigifp(A, B, 1, opts) - 5 - 5*rand(1);
x = randn(n, 1)/10; a = (A - lambda*B)*x; s = x'*B*x;
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Apply Newton to dual function with $s = \ell$, with u, ℓ similarly defined.

Table 2: $A \succ 0$ and $B \succ 0$.

n	RW	Newton+Armijo
	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}
10000	6/3.11/-1.122480624e+4/1.8e-13	10/5.73/-1.122480624e+4/1.0e-08
15000	6/7.91/-2.160566627e+4/5.9e-13	9/13.64/-2.160566627e+4/1.2e-08
20000	6/14.16/-3.175205009e+4/4.5e-13	9/25.67/-3.175205009e+4/1.6e-07

Simulations: indef. $B, b = 0$

- Assume $A \succ 0$; then

$$\bar{\lambda} = \frac{-1}{\text{eigifp}(-B, A, 1, \text{opts})}, \quad \underline{\lambda} = \frac{1}{\text{eigifp}(B, A, 1, \text{opts})}.$$

- No efficient way to initialize RW algorithm. Have to artificially generate t_- and the corresponding λ_- .
- Newton method initialized at $\lambda^0 = \frac{\bar{\lambda} + \underline{\lambda}}{2}$.
- First apply RW algorithm. Then apply Newton to dual with $s = u$ or $s = \ell$, determined from the preprocessing.

Simulations: indef. B , $b = 0$, $A \succ 0$

For each $n = 10000, 15000, 20000$, generate 10 “easy instances”:

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A = sprandsym(n, 1e-2, 0.1, 2); B1 = sprandsym(n, 1e-2);
lambda = (lambdaup + lambdalow) / 2;
x = randn(n, 1) / 10; a = (A - lambda*B1)*x; s1 = x'*B1*x;
lambda0 = lambda*(-abs(s1)); t0 = 2*a'*x - x'*A*x;
B = B1/(-abs(s1)); s = randn(1)*sqrt(n); l = s; u = s + 1
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Table 3: $A \succ 0$ and indef. B .

n	RW	Newton+Armijo
	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}	iter/cpu/fval/feas _{eq}
10000	6/9.49/-2.034919097e+3/1.1e-14	6/9.64/-2.034919097e+3/1.7e-08
15000	7/23.66/-3.385643481e+3/1.4e-14	6/23.85/-3.385643481e+3/8.9e-12
20000	7/43.75/-7.195068138e+3/1.1e-14	6/46.96/-7.195068132e+3/1.7e-07

Conclusion & Future work

- GTRS can be analyzed similarly as TRS, under suitable assumptions.
- The RW algorithm can be extended to solve GTRS.
- More numerical tests. Develop TRM with GTRS as subproblem.
- Estimating/bounding t_- when it is finite.

Thanks for coming! ☺