

ADMM from Operator Splitting

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Alternating direction method of multipliers (ADMM)

The required problem structure:
$$\begin{pmatrix} \min_x & f(x) + g(z) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax + Bz = c \end{pmatrix}$$
 ADMM problem structure

$$\# \text{ eq. } \begin{pmatrix} \min_x & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & x \in C \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \min_x & f(x) + I_C(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & x - I_C(x) = 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

ADMM algorithm: $\lambda > 0$

$$x^{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + Bz^k - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$z^{k+1} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax^{k+1} + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$u^{k+1} = u^k + \lambda (Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c)$$
 $\lambda u^k \rightarrow \lambda x^k$ which is the optimal dual variable

* Assumption: argmin exists, unique

• (x^*, z^*) exists, unique

• optimal dual solution exists, though optimal dual variable might not be unique.

def. multiplier to residual mapping

* At first lets find out the MRM (Multiplier to Residual Mapping) to ADMM problem structure

We know that: in Defout MRM:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \min_x & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = b \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{L} L(x, y) = f(x) + y^T (Ax - b) = f(x) + (A^T y)^T x - y^T b$$

MRM mapping: $F(y) = b - A \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x, y) \Leftrightarrow F(y) = b - Ax$ $\wedge \quad x = \operatorname{argmin}_x (f(x) + A^T y^T x - y^T b)$

$\therefore F: (F(y) = b - Ax \wedge \partial f(x) + A^T y \ni 0)$

So, for,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \min_{x,z} & f(x) + g(z) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax + Bz = c \end{pmatrix}$$
 so $F: F(y) = c - [A \ B] \begin{bmatrix} x \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ $\wedge \quad \partial_{(x,z)} \bar{f}(x,z) + [A^T \ B^T] y \ni 0$

$\#$ By def. $\partial_{(x,z)} \bar{f}(x,z) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x f(x) \\ \partial_z g(z) \end{bmatrix}$ $\wedge \quad \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x f(x) \\ \partial_x g(z) \end{bmatrix}$, similarly $\partial_{(x,z)} \bar{f}(x,z) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) \\ \partial_z \bar{f}(x,z) \end{bmatrix}$, $\partial_{(x,z)} \bar{f}(x,z) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) \\ \partial_z \bar{f}(x,z) \end{bmatrix}$

recall: $\partial_x \bar{f}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x f(x) \\ \partial_x g(z) \end{bmatrix}$ \dots $\partial_{(x,z)} \bar{f}(x,z) = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) \\ \partial_z \bar{f}(x,z) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x f(x) \\ \partial_x g(z) \\ \partial_z g(z) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) \\ \partial_z \bar{f}(x,z) \end{bmatrix}$

$\# \quad \partial_x \bar{f}(x,z) = \partial_x (f(x) + g(z)) = \partial_x f(x)$
 $\partial_z \bar{f}(x,z) = \partial_z (f(x) + g(z)) = \partial_z g(z)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \partial_x \bar{f}(x) \\ \partial_z \bar{g}(z) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} A^T y \\ B^T y \end{bmatrix} \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \partial_x f(x) + A^T y \ni 0 \\ \partial_z g(z) + B^T y \ni 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Our next goal is to show F is a sum of two MRM relations.

$$\therefore F: F(y) = c - Ax - Bz \wedge \partial_x \bar{f}(x) + A^T y \ni 0 \wedge \partial_z \bar{g}(z) + B^T y \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow F(y) = c - A \operatorname{argmin}_x L_1(x, y) - B \operatorname{argmin}_z L_2(z, y) \wedge \begin{cases} L_1(x, y) = f(x) + y^T (Ax - c) \\ L_2(z, y) = g(z) + y^T (Bz - c) \end{cases}$$

Obviously the optimal (x, z, y) will satisfy $F(y) \ni 0$ and we know that MRM mapping is maximal monotone

as takes entire \mathbb{R}^n as input without any trouble shown earlier
def. multiplier to residual mapping

Note that $F(y)$ is continuous in y with domain \mathbb{R}^n . We have already know F is monotone. Now we use the fact that any continuous function with domain \mathbb{R}^n is maximal. So, F is maximal monotone.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \min_x & f(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = c \end{pmatrix}$$
 underlying optimization problem for F1

For the optimal (x^*, z^*) , $F(y) = 0$, with these two still satisfied

Let us split $F = F_1 + F_2$ such that:

$$\begin{cases} F_1(y) = c - Ax \quad \text{where } \partial f(x) + A^T y \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow F_1(y) = c - A \operatorname{argmin}_x L_1(x, y) \\ F_2(y) = 0 - Bz \quad \text{where } \partial g(z) + B^T y \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow F_2(y) = 0 - B \operatorname{argmin}_z L_2(z, y) \end{cases}$$

underlying Lagrangian will be:
 $L_1(x, y) = f(x) + y^T (Ax - c)$
 $L_2(z, y) = g(z) + y^T (Bz - c)$

underlying optimization problem

$$\begin{pmatrix} \min_z & g(z) \\ \text{s.t.} & Bz = 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 underlying optimization problem for F2

So the optimal solution will satisfy: statement: overloaded sum operator for relations has additivity

$$(F_1 + F_2)(y) = F_1(y) + F_2(y) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow F_1(y) + F_2(y) \ni 0,$$

Now we want to show that F_1, F_2 are maximally monotone, so that we can apply Operator Splitting method, subsequently

Douglas-Rachford splitting.

[E.g. Douglas-Rachford splitting \(Moret's notation\)](#)

[the main theorem behind operator splitting](#)

Proof that F_1 and F_2 are maximal monotone. First note that F_1 is the multiplier to residual mapping relation for the optimization problem minimize $f(x)$ subject to $Ax=c$

So F_1 is monotone (as MRM operator is monotone).

Now note that F_1 is also continuous in y with domain $F_1 = \mathbb{R}^n$. So F_1 is maximal.

So F_1 is maximal monotone.

Similarly F_2 is maximal monotone.

Old Proof:

from definition of maximal monotone operator ([def. maximal monotone](#)) $(x, r) \in F_1$

$$\forall (x, u) \left((x, u) \in F \Leftrightarrow \forall (y, v) \in F \quad (v-u)^T(x-y) \geq 0 \right)$$

|| (Sufficient) \rightarrow iff it's just monotone

|| additionally \leftarrow iff it's maximally monotone.

now, already it's true, both F_1, F_2 are monotone so \rightarrow direction prove hai jama hai.

lets prove \leftarrow direction for F_1 :

$$\text{Want to prove, } \forall (y_1, r_1) \left(\forall (y_2, r_2) \in F_1 \quad (r_1 - r_2)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0 \Rightarrow (y_1, r_1) \in F_1 \right)$$

any (y_1, r_1) for the statement to make sense $y_1 \neq y_2$, otherwise jama hai $r_1 = r_2$

any (y_2, r_2)	given	goal
	$(y_2, r_2) \in F_1$	$(y_1, r_1) \in F_1$
	$(r_1 - r_2)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0$	

$$(y_2, r_2) \in F_1 \Leftrightarrow F_1(y_2) \ni r_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists \begin{matrix} x \\ x^* \end{matrix} \quad (-Ax^*(y_2) = r_2, \quad \partial f(x^*(y_2)) + A^T y_2 \ni 0)$$

$$\text{now } (r_1 - r_2)^T (y_2 - y_1) = (-Ax^*(y_2) - r_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0$$

$$\rightarrow (-Ax^*(y_2)) \ni r_1, y_1$$

per contradiction,

$$(y_1, r_1) \notin F_1 \Leftrightarrow \forall \tilde{x}(y_1) \quad (-A\tilde{x}(y_1)) \neq r_1 \vee \partial f(\tilde{x}(y_1)) + A^T y_1 \not\ni 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall \tilde{x}(y_1) \quad (\partial f(\tilde{x}(y_1)) + A^T y_1 \ni 0 \Rightarrow r_1 \in -A\tilde{x}(y_1))$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall \tilde{x}(y_1): \partial f(\tilde{x}(y_1)) + A^T y_1 \ni 0 \quad r_1 \in -A\tilde{x}(y_1) \\ \Rightarrow r_1 = (-A\tilde{x}(y_1)) + d = \tilde{r}_1 + d \quad d \neq 0$$

But because $L_1(\Theta, \Theta)$ has an argmin by assumption $\exists \tilde{r}_1 = (-A\tilde{x}(y_1))$, where $\partial f(\tilde{x}(y_1)) + A^T y_1 \ni 0$

$$\text{so, } (y_1, \tilde{r}_1) \in F_1 \Rightarrow (r_1 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0$$

$$\frac{(r_1 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0}{(y_2 - \tilde{r}_1)^T}$$

$\rightarrow (r_1 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq d^T (y_2 - y_1)$ this holds for any y_2 , lets $y_2 = -d + y_1$, and as we have assumed the argmin exists, there will be a valid r_2 too.

$$y_2 = -d + y_1$$

$$(r_1 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq d^T (-d) = -\|d\|_2^2 < 0 \quad (\text{as } d \neq 0)$$

$\therefore (r_1 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) < 0$ but this is not possible as $(y_1, \tilde{r}_1), (y_2, r_2) \in F_1$ and $(r_2 - \tilde{r}_1)^T (y_2 - y_1) \geq 0$

\therefore (contradiction) so F_1 is maximal monotone.

∴ contradiction so F_1 is maximal monotone.

• Similarly F_2 is also maximally monotone

see Douglas-Rachford splitting (Kremer's notation)

So, both F_1, F_2 are maximal monotone → operator splitting applicable → Douglas-Rachford splitting applicable.

So, we are interested in finding y where

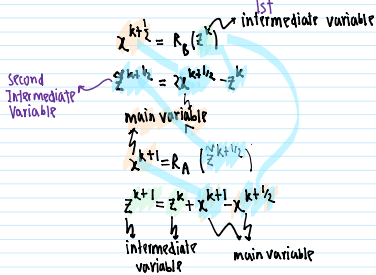
$$F(y) = F_1(y) + F_2(y) \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow \zeta = C_{F_1} C_{F_2}(\zeta), y = R_{F_1}(\zeta)$$

Now the key result in operator splitting says:

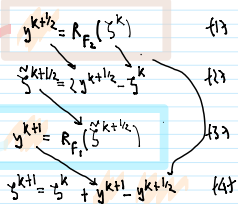
$$A(x) + B(x) \ni 0 \Leftrightarrow C_A C_B(z) = z, x = R_B(z)$$

intermediate variable

The associated D-R splitting will be:



Accordingly for the ADMM problem the D-R splitting should yield $F_2 = B, F_1 = A$



Now, resolvent of the multiplier to residual mapping

Compact form: Resolvent of the multiplier to residual mapping

Compact form for resolvent of the MRM mapping $R(E) = (I + \lambda F)^{-1}$
 $R(E)$ # underlying optimization problem $\forall S(E) \cap A \ni b = 0$
 can be calculated by the equation:

$$\square = \underset{\square}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\square) + \square^T (A \square - b) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A \square - b\|_2^2)$$

 $R(E) = \square + \lambda (A \square - b)$

Arithmetized form:

output = $R(\text{input})$: $R = \operatorname{resolvent}(F) : F(y) = b - A \operatorname{argmin}_x L(x, y)$

minimizer = $\underset{\text{dummy}}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\text{dummy}) + \text{input}^T (A \text{dummy} - b) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A \text{dummy} - b\|_2^2)$

output = input + $\lambda (A \text{minimizer} - b)$

$$L(x, y) = f(x) + g^T(Ax - b)$$

remember for F_2 the underlying optimization problem is $\forall g(z) \cap Bz = 0$

underlying optimization problem for F_2

$$y^{k+1/2} = R_{F_2}(z^k) = z^k + \lambda (B \square^k - 0) \quad \text{(1aH-2)}$$

$$\square^k = \underset{\square}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\square) + z^{kT} (B \square) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|B \square\|_2^2) \quad \text{(1aH-1)}$$

Later going to use:

$$\square_S^k = z^{k+1/2}$$

$$\square_S^{k+1/2} = x^{k+1}$$

remember for F_1 the underlying optimization problem is: $\forall S(x) \cap Ax = c$

underlying optimization problem for F_1

$$y^{k+1} = R_{F_1}(z^{k+1/2}) = z^{k+1/2} + \lambda (A \square^{k+1} - c) \quad \text{(3aH-2)}$$

$$\square^{k+1} = \underset{\square}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\square) + z^{k+1/2 T} (A \square - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A \square - c\|_2^2) \quad \text{(3aH-1)}$$

Now recollect every equations and write them again:

- $\square_S^k = \underset{\square}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\square) + z^{kT} (B \square) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|B \square\|_2^2) \quad \text{(1aH-1)}$
- $y^{k+1/2} = R_{F_2}(z^k) = z^k + \lambda (B \square^k - 0) \quad \text{(1aH-2)}$
- $z^{k+1/2} = z^k + y^{k+1/2} - z^k \quad \text{(2)}$
- $\square_S^{k+1/2} = \underset{\square}{\operatorname{argmin}} (S(\square) + z^{k+1/2 T} (A \square - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A \square - c\|_2^2) \quad \text{(3aH-1)}$
- $y^{k+1} = R_{F_1}(z^{k+1/2}) = z^{k+1/2} + \lambda (A \square^{k+1} - c) \quad \text{(3aH-2)}$

$$s^{k+1} = -s^k + \lambda(A\tilde{x}^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c)$$

Now, let us take: $y^k = \lambda u^k + \lambda(A\tilde{x}^k - c)$,

$$\lambda u^{k+1} + \lambda A\tilde{x}^{k+1} - y^k = \lambda u^k + \lambda A\tilde{x}^k - y^k + \lambda A\tilde{x}^{k+1} + \lambda B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - \lambda c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow u^{k+1} = u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c$$

We also note that:

$$\begin{aligned} s^k(Bz) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz\|_2^2 &= (\lambda u^k + \lambda(A\tilde{x}^k - c))^T (Bz) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz\|_2^2 \\ &= \lambda (u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c)^T (Bz) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz\|_2^2 \\ &= 2 \cdot \frac{\lambda}{2} (u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c)^T (Bz) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{z}^{k+1} &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + s^k(Bz) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz\|_2^2) \\ &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\|Bz\|_2^2 + 2(u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c)^T (Bz))) \\ &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\|Bz\|_2^2 + 2(u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c)^T (Bz) + \|u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c\|_2^2)) \\ &\quad \text{(constant w.r.t } z, \text{ so add extra argmin change to it.)} \\ &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Bz + u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c\|_2^2) \\ &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A\tilde{x}^k + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (s^k + \lambda(B\tilde{z}^{k+1}))^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2 \\ &= (\lambda u^k + \lambda(A\tilde{x}^k - c) + \lambda B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2 \\ &= \lambda (u^k + A\tilde{x}^k - c + B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2 \\ &= \lambda (u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c + B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2 \\ &= \lambda (u^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x}^{k+1} &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + (s^k + \lambda(B\tilde{z}^{k+1}))^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2) \\ &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + \lambda (u^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c\|_2^2) \\ &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} (\|Ax - c\|_2^2 + 2(u^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1})^T (Ax - c) + \|u^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1}\|_2^2)) \\ &\quad \text{(constant w.r.t } x, \text{ so add extra argmin)} \\ &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax - c + u^{k+1} + B\tilde{z}^{k+1}\|_2^2) \\ &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} + u^{k+1} - c\|_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

So we arrive at the new iteration equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{z}^{k+1} &= \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} (g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A\tilde{x}^k + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2) \\ \tilde{x}^{k+1} &= \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} (f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} + u^{k+1} - c\|_2^2) \\ u^{k+1} &= u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c \end{aligned}$$

$$u^{k+1} = u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c$$

↓ Swap u^{k+1}, \tilde{x}^{k+1} to get the correct dependency

$$\tilde{x}^k = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + B\tilde{z}^k + u^k - c\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$\tilde{z}^{k+1} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A\tilde{x}^k + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$u^{k+1} = u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c$$

$$\tilde{x}^{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} + u^{k+1} - c\|_2^2 \right)$$

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$$\tilde{x}^k = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + B\tilde{z}^k + u^k - c\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$\tilde{z}^{k+1} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|A\tilde{x}^k + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$u^{k+1} = u^k + A\tilde{x}^k + B\tilde{z}^{k+1} - c$$

↓ replace $\tilde{z}^k = z^k, \tilde{x}^k = x^{k+1}$ // as the iteration number is Laplus

$$x^{k+1} = \underset{x}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(f(x) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax + Bz^k - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$z^{k+1} = \underset{z}{\operatorname{argmin}} \left(g(z) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|Ax^{k+1} + Bz - c + u^k\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$u^{k+1} = u^k + Ax^{k+1} + Bz^{k+1} - c$$

• This is ADMM!
TADA!

Convergence follows immediately from convergence of ADMM.

→ We can consider only first three iterations