

Nonsmooth analysis for stochastic optimization : theory, algorithms and applications in energy

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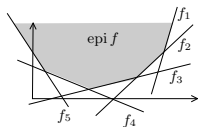
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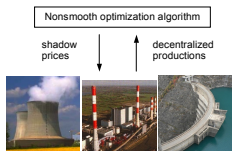
① **Stochastic optimization** : optimization problems with random variables... in action !
(vs randomized optimization algorithms and convergence analysis)



② **Nonsmooth** : non-differentiable (e.g. max-fct)
→ difficult nonsmooth functions call for cutting-planes algorithms
(vs proximal or conditional gradient algos)



③ **Energy** : electricity generation (EDF)
with randomness due to renewable sources
(vs distribution, prediction, savings,...)



About this talk

- This talk can be seen as a (light, incomplete, biased) introduction to stochastic optimization, from a nonsmooth analysis perspective
- Bird-eye view
 - presentation of advanced algorithms on pictures !
 - presentation of real-life industrial problems in words/photos !
- Many technical details hidden (modeling issues, assumptions, mathematical details, convergence analysis,...)
- Emphasis on ideas and applications – with a goal :

advertize nonsmooth optimization for real-life energy problems
- Let's pick random topics in this talk: probability functions, eventual convexity, robust optimization, large-scale heterogeneous problems, decomposition algorithm, quadratic stabilization,...

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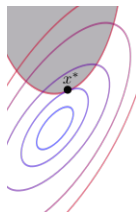
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A domain of applied maths : Mathematical Optimization

- **Mathematical optimization**

(\simeq the maths of "doing-better" or of the decision)

$$\begin{cases} \min & f(x) & \text{(objective-function)} \\ & g(x) \leq 0 & \text{(constraints)} \\ & x \in X \subset \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$



- Intractable in general... but "easy" for linear optimization (f and g affine) or more generally for **convex optimization** (f and g convex) due to nice geometrical properties (globality, duality, guarantees...)
- **Applications** : recent explosion in data science on top of traditional applications in industry, services,... and energy !
- Basic example in machine learning or robust regression : LASSO (f data-fidelity term, g regularizer)

$$\begin{cases} \min & \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^\top x - b_i)^2 \\ & \|x\|_{\ell_1} \leq \mu \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} \min & \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i^\top x - b_i)^2 + \lambda \|x\|_{\ell_1} \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

Optimization face to uncertainty

Adding unknown uncertainty ξ

$$\begin{cases} \min_{(x, \xi)} f(x, \xi) \\ g(x, \xi) \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{not well-posed})$$

Two main ways to model uncertainty

- 1 **Robust** optimization: $\xi \in \Xi$ with a known uncertainty set

$$\begin{cases} \min_x \max_{\xi \in \Xi} f(x, \xi) \\ g(x, \xi) \leq 0 \quad \text{for all } \xi \in \Xi \end{cases}$$

- 2 **Stochastic** optimization: $\xi \sim \mathbb{P}$ with a (known) probability law

$$\begin{cases} \min_x \mathbb{E}[f(x, \xi)] \\ \mathbb{P}[g(x, \xi) \leq 0] \geq p \end{cases}$$

for an uncertainty level p ($p = 1$ is almost-sure)

In practice: **modeling** is as important as **solving** the resulting optimization problem (and both interact ! see forthcoming examples)

Multi-stage stochastic optimization

- In some problems, we can take a second decision (= correction) once the uncertainty is known

$$x \rightsquigarrow \xi \rightsquigarrow y$$

The "recourse" variable y is a random variable depending on ξ

- This yields to "two-stage" stochastic optimization problems

$$\begin{cases} \min_x \mathbb{E}[f(x, \xi, y)] \\ \mathbb{P}[g(x, \xi, y) \leq 0] \geq p \end{cases}$$

- Examples from this morning : 2-stage linear
- Generalizes to multi-stage

$$x^0 \rightsquigarrow \xi^1 \rightsquigarrow x^1 \rightsquigarrow \xi^2 \rightsquigarrow \dots \rightsquigarrow x^T$$

- Stochastic optimization problems are more complex, but very structured \rightarrow to be exploited in solution algorithms !

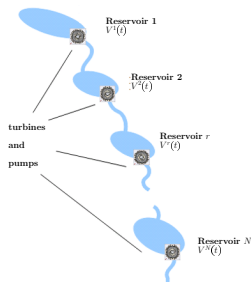
Example 1 : hydro-reservoir management

Hydrological valley with N reservoirs

ξ random inflows

x decision variables (turbining, pumping)

$V^i(t) = V_0^i + A^i x(t) + \xi(t)$ volume of reservoir i



Simplified model, see more in [vanAckooij Henrion Moller Zorgati '14](#)

- variable : $x \in X$ to be decided upon before observing ξ
- objective : maximizing remuneration for a price signal π
- bounds constraints : $\forall i, t, V_{\min}^i \leq V^i(t) \leq V_{\max}^i$ (irrigation, navigability,...)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \quad \pi^\top x \\ \mathbb{P}[V_{\min} \leq V_0 + Ax + \xi \leq V_{\max}] \geq p \\ x \in X \end{array} \right.$$

probability-constrained optimization problem

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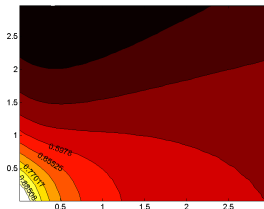
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- In particular : recent result [vanAckooij Malick '16](#)
Under mild assumption on g , **eventual convexity** holds for a large family of laws (normal, log-normal, student,...) : there exists $\bar{p} < 1$ such that

$$\bar{p} \leq p \leq 1 \quad \{x : \mathbb{P}[g(x, \xi) \leq 0] \geq p\} \text{ convex}$$



Example 2 : optimization of electricity generation

- In France : electricity produced by $N \simeq 200$ production units

nuclear 80%



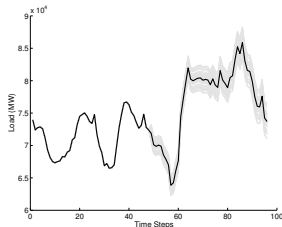
oil + coal 3%



water 17%



- Day-to-day optimization of production : finding a minimal cost production schedule for the next day that satisfies the operational constraints and that meets customer demand
- Classical problem : "unit-commitment"
- Uncertainty on weather conditions
 - consumption
 - renewable sources (wind, solar, water)
 - demand is uncertain



Deterministic unit-commitment

Simplified model : for $N \simeq 200$ units, on $T = 96 = 2 * 48$ periods of time

- variable : schedule $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N) \in X = X_1 \times \dots \times X_N$
- technical constraints : $x_i \in X_i \quad i = 1, \dots, N$
- demand constraints : $m^t \leq \sum_i x_i^t - d^t \leq M^t \quad t = 1, \dots, T$
- objective : linear costs $c^T x = \sum_i c_i^T x_i$

Hard optimization problem: large-scale, heterogeneous, complex

$$\begin{cases} \min & c^T x \\ & x \in X, \quad m \leq \sum_i x_i - d \leq M \end{cases}$$

Approach by duality : decomposition of computation over each unit

$$\begin{cases} \min & \pi_i^T x_i \\ & x_i \in X_i \end{cases}$$

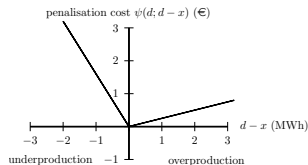
(with $\pi_i = c_i + A^T \lambda$ where λ dual variable or price)

how to handle random $d = \xi$ in this situation ?

Model 1 : Robust unit-commitment

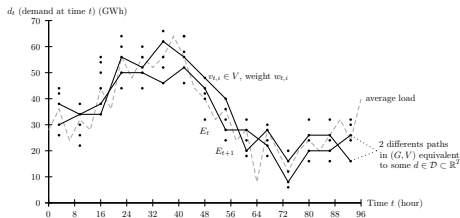
A simple robust approach
(VanAckooij Lebbe Malick '16)

- get rid of bound constraint
- penalize instead the worst gap



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min_{x \in X} c^T x + \max_{\xi \in \Xi} \sum_{t=1}^T \psi(\sum_i x_i^t - \xi^t) \end{array} \right.$$

Complex model of uncertainty set Ξ (vs Ξ finite or $\Xi = [d_{\min}, d_{\max}]^T$)



The model of [Minoux 2012](#)

- is finite but of high cardinality
- expresses temporal dependencies
- preserves a fast computability

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- vanAckooij Malick '15 proposes two-stage model

$$c(x, \xi) = \begin{cases} \min & c^\top y \\ & y \in X, \quad m \leq \sum_i y_i - \xi \leq M \\ & y \text{ coincides with } x \text{ on the } \tau \text{ first steps} \end{cases}$$

- The second-stage problem has the same form as the initial problem with a smaller horizon $T - \tau$

fine operational modeling vs difficult to compute

Model 2 : Two-stage stochastic unit-commitment 2/2

- Stochastic optimization problem

$$\begin{cases} \min & c^\top x + \mathbb{E}[c(x, \xi)] \\ & x \in X, \quad m \leq \sum_i x_i - d \leq M \end{cases}$$

- Complexity of $c(x, \xi)$ only allows for simple modeling of randomness
- VanAckooij Malick '15 uses finite distribution

$$\mathbb{P}(\xi = \xi_s) = p_s \quad (s = 1, \dots, S)$$

- (Convex) implicit second-stage function

$$v(x) = \mathbb{E}[c(x, \xi)] = \sum_{s=1}^S p_s c(x, \xi_s)$$

- For our numerical experiments (see later) $S = 50, 150, 250$ problems with more than 1 million of variables and constraints...

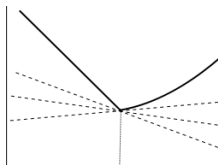
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Cutting plane models and algorithms

Cutting-plane models of implicit function

- The convex function v only known partially through an **oracle** : given an entry x , it returns $v(x)$ and $g \in \partial v(x)$



- From points x_1, \dots, x_k , we can build the cutting plane model for v :

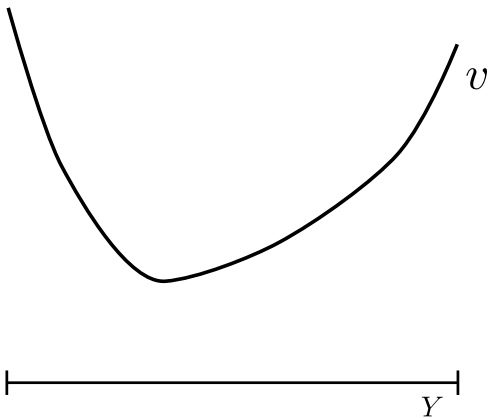
$$\check{v}_k(x) := \max_{j=1, \dots, k} \{v(x_j) + g_j^\top (x - x_j)\}$$

- Convexity yields : $\check{v}_k(x) \leq v(x)$ for all x

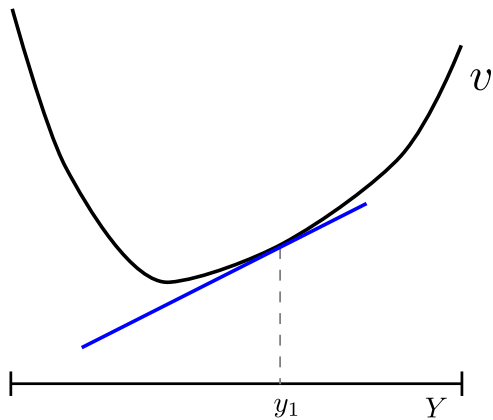
Cutting-plane algorithm (Kelley '60)

- Instead of $\min_{x \in X} v(x)$ we solve $\min_{x \in X} \check{v}_k(x)$ to get x_{k+1}
- When X is polyhedral this is a mere linear optimization problem
- Cultural note : cutting is a foundational technique of Operations Research in general

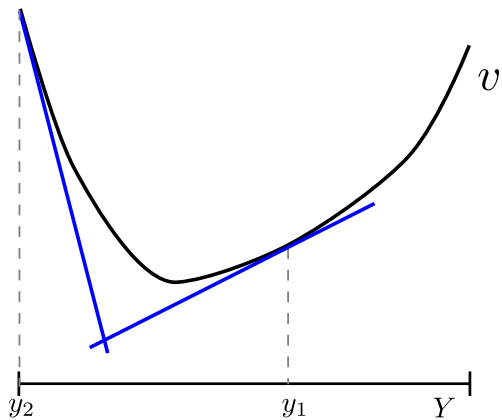
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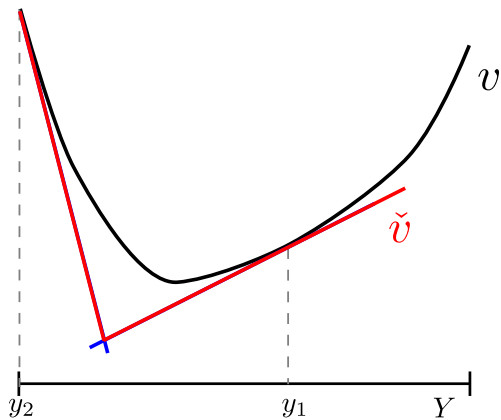
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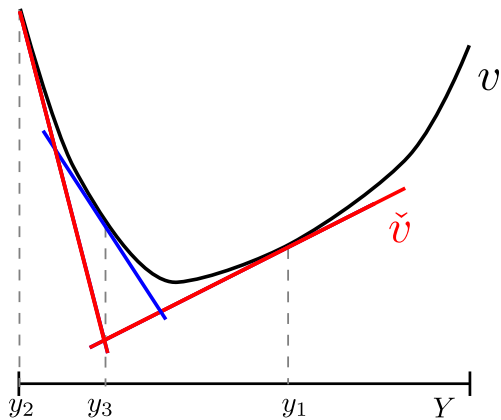
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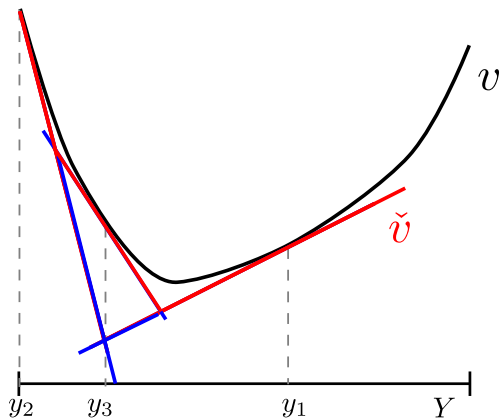
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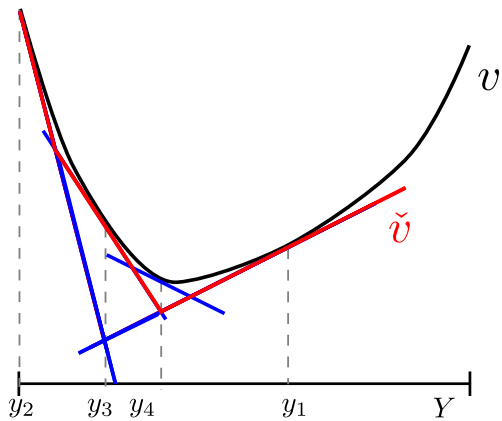
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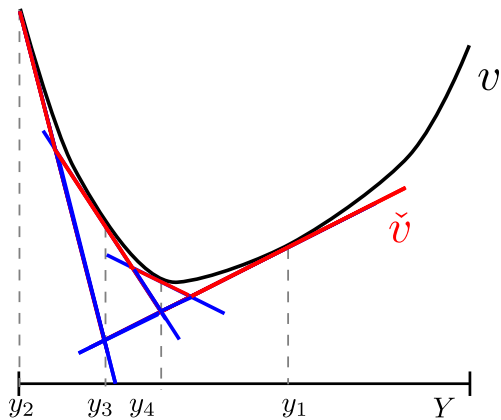
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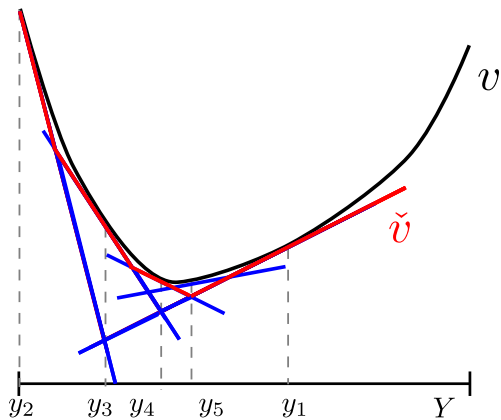
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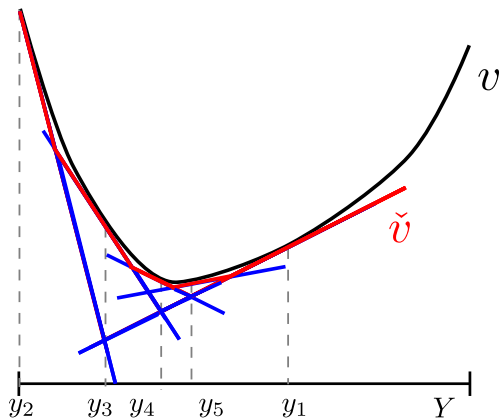
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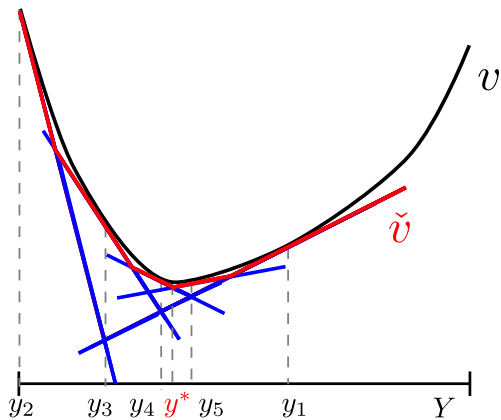
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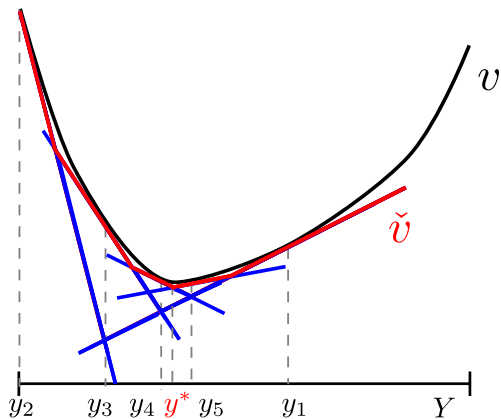
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Convergence in 6 iterations

Cutting-plane for stochastic optimization : inexact oracles

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Cutting-plane algorithms easily extend to inexact oracles

Inexact oracle provides approximate cutting planes: for given x

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_x &= v(x) - \eta_x && (\eta_{\max} \geq \eta_x \geq \eta_{\min}) \\
 v(y) &\geq v_x + g_x^\top (y - x) - \varepsilon_x && (\varepsilon_{\max} \geq \varepsilon_x \geq 0),
 \end{aligned}$$

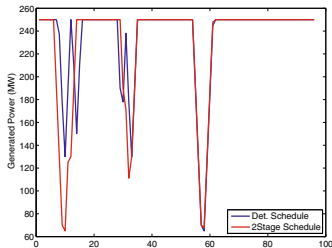
When $\eta^x = \varepsilon^x = 0$, we retrieve $g_x \in \partial v(x)$

Numerical illustration for stochastic unit-commitment

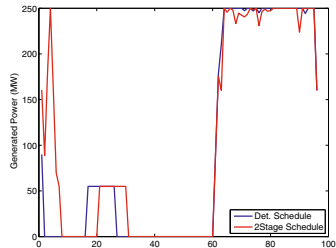
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- Cutting-plane allows to solve it – in reasonable time ☺
- Observation : generation is transferred from inflexible but cheap units to expensive but flexible units



inflexible and cheap



expensive and flexible

Further note on numerical experiments

- Emphasis on an interest of inexact cutting-plane : **hot-restart**
- When increasing the number of scenario:

Number of Scenarios	Nb. iter	Sub-pbs calls		Average calls
		1st Stage	2nd Stage	
50	4	167	1009	5.88
100	8	360	3461	4.77
250	16	694	14205	3.73

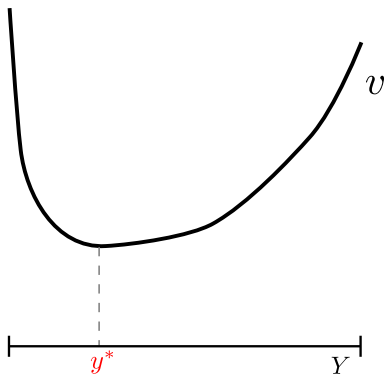
- Hot-restart yields decrease of sub-pbs calls per scenario and iteration
- The number of sub-pbs calls remains within reasonable limits.
For comparison, using up to 300 calls is common for deterministic real-life unit-commitment
- See more in [vanAckooij Malick '15](#)

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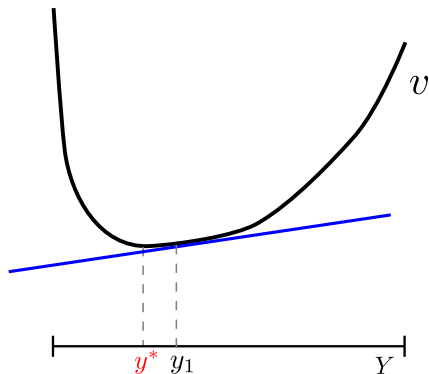
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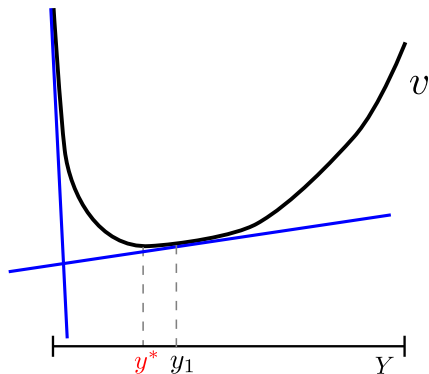
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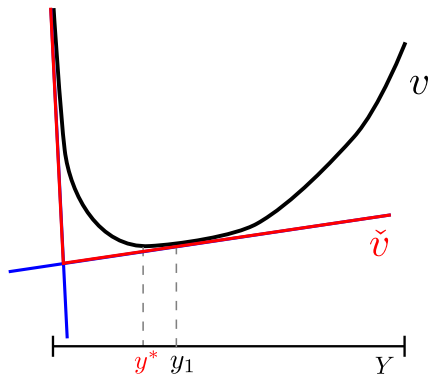
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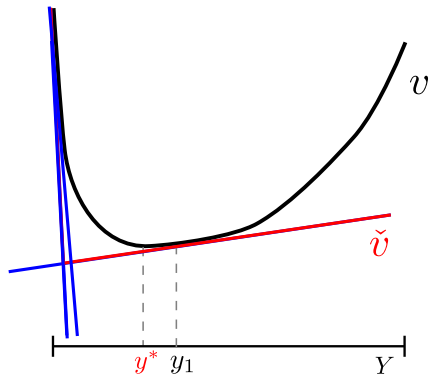
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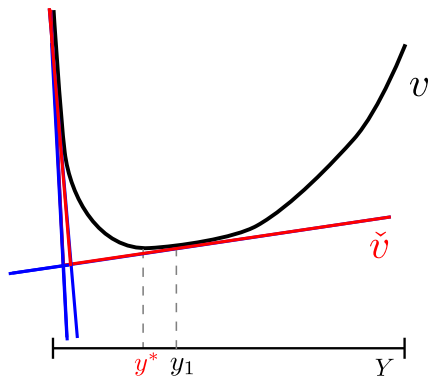
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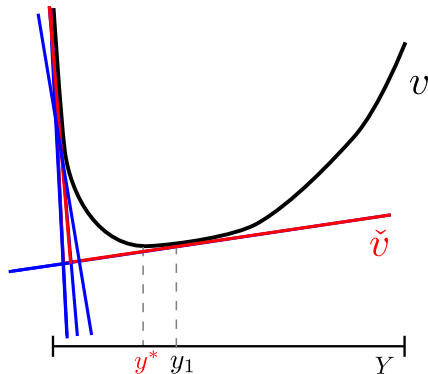
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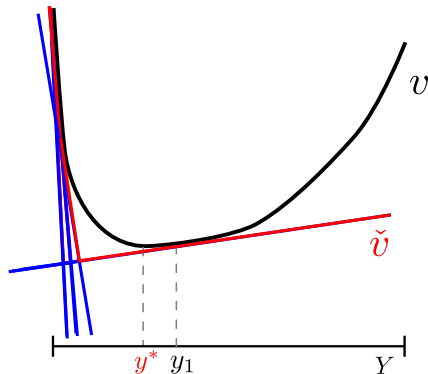
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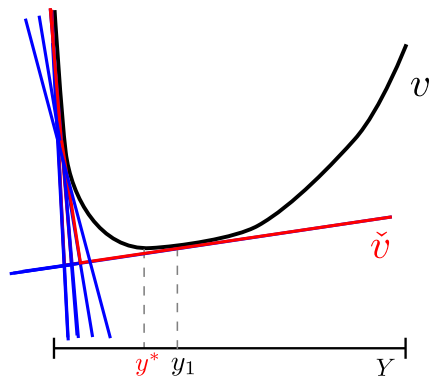
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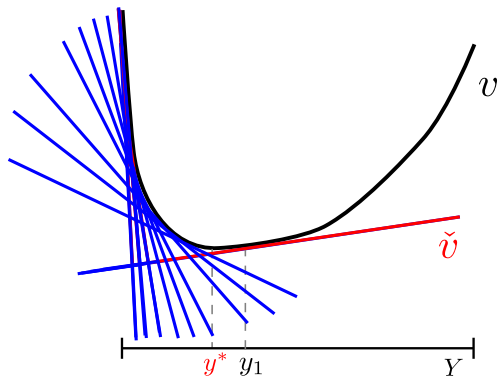
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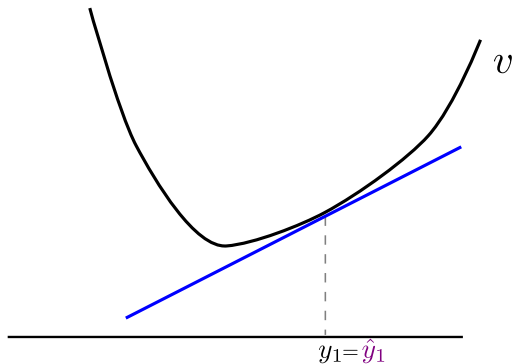
An iteration of level bundle algorithm

$$x_{k+1} := \operatorname{argmin} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|x - \hat{x}_k\|^2 : \check{v}_k(x) \leq L_k, x \in X \right\}$$

the **level** $L_k := (v_k^{\text{up}} + v_k^{\text{low}})/2$ middle of v_k^{low} lower bound and $v_k^{\text{up}} := \min_{1 \leq j \leq k} v(x_j)$ upper bound for the minimum of v on X .

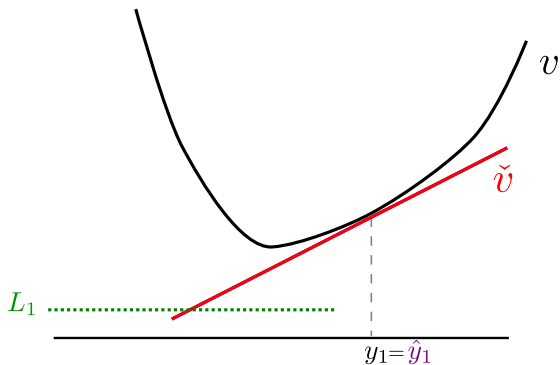
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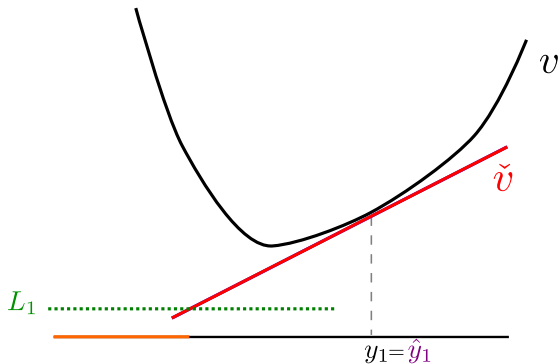
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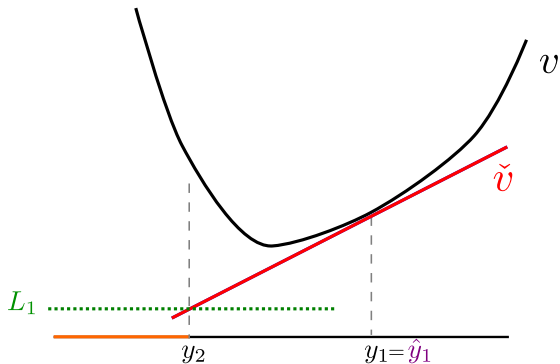
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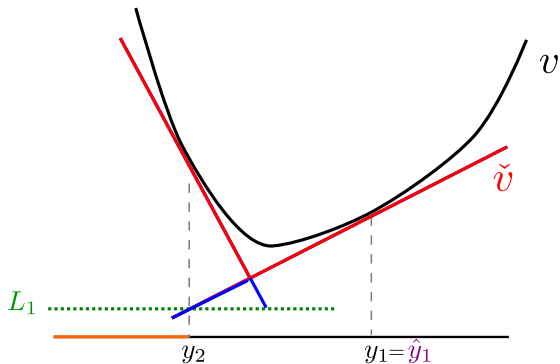
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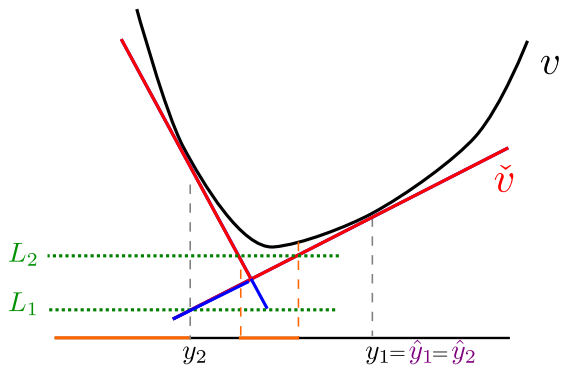
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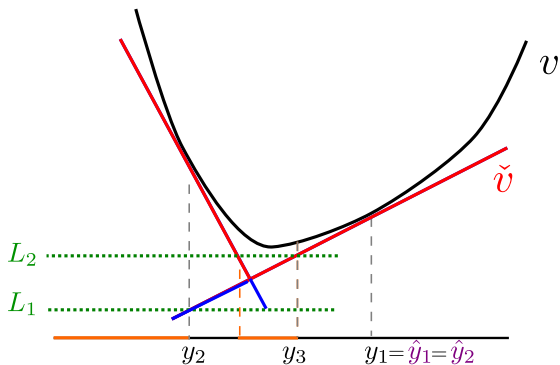
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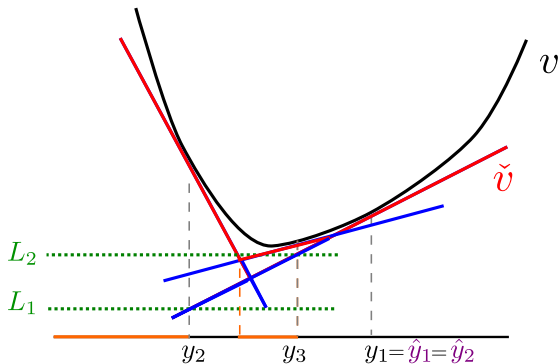
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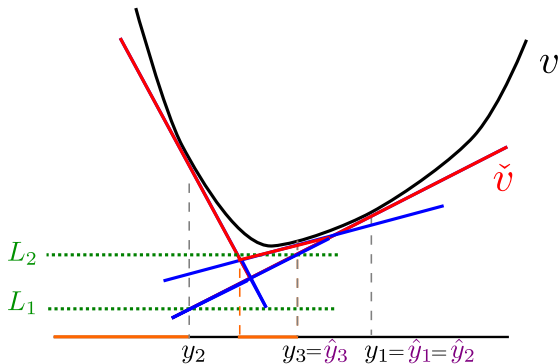
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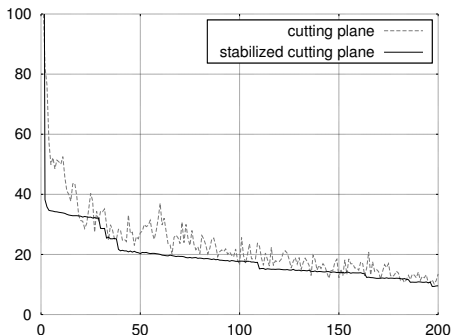


Numerical illustration for robust unit-commitment : plot

Using quadratic stabilization does stabilize !

See e.g. on one run for robust unit-commitment on the EDF data set

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min_{x \in X} \quad c^T x + \max_{\xi \in \Xi} \sum_{t=1}^T \psi(\sum_i x_i^t - \xi^t) \end{array} \right.$$



cutting-plane alg. vs bundle alg. (relative gap / number of iterations)

Numerical illustration for robust unit-commitment : table

More numerical results on the EDF data set

- comparison of iterations (#it) and sub-pbs calls (#calls)
- cutting-plane algorithm vs bundle algorithm
- easy stopping criteria : 5%
(the comparison is even more unbalanced for 1%)

Instance date	cutting-plane		bundle		improvement	
	# it.	calls	# it.	calls	# it.	calls
15/01/2013	41	536	26	317	158%	169%
20/03/2013	393	613	103	245	382%	250%
13/05/2013	764	2315	319	974	239%	238%
22/08/2013	2648	3452	356	790	744%	347%
25/10/2013	724	2163	209	1147	346%	189%
10/12/2013	78	578	34	229	229%	252%

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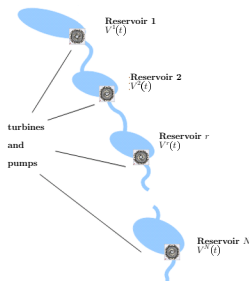
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- 4 There is active recent research on such methods (inexact computation, faster convergence, new applications...)
- 5 These nonsmooth algorithms also method of choice for (hard) **smooth** problems !? e.g. probabilistic constrained optimization

Back to hydro-reservoir

$$\begin{cases} \max & \pi^\top x \\ \mathbb{P}[V_{\min}^i \leq V_0^i + Ax + \xi \leq V_{\max}^i] \geq 0.8 \end{cases}$$

When ξ gaussian:

- it is a smooth convex problems
- but the best solution methods are nonsmooth optimization methods !



Comparison of algorithms on the Isère Valley (real-life EDF data)

method	obj. value	\mathbb{P}	Nb. Iter. [InfeasQP]	CPU time (mins)
Prepoka '03	175222	0.799511	190	1504.7
Kiwiel '08	175237	0.799394	204	627.3
VanA. Sag. '15	175237	0.799418	188	573.5
LNN '95	175235	0.799854	161	529.6
level	175235	0.799604	165 [3]	423.2

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Counter-example of well-behaviour

Let $\xi \sim N(0, 1)$ be given and consider

$$\phi(x) := \mathbb{P}[Qx + L\xi \geq b],$$

with

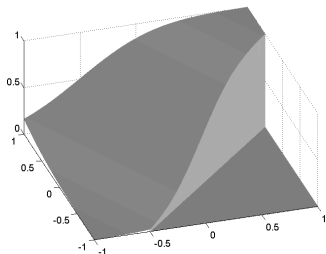
$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, L = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then ϕ is not continuous !

because of the presence of
“deterministic” constraints

$$-1x_1 + x_2 \geq -\frac{1}{2}$$

the set $\{z \in \mathbb{R}^m : g(x, z) = 0\}$ is not of
zero measure (at some x 's).



Evaluating \mathbb{P}

- Let $\xi \sim N(0, R)$ and $R = LL^\top$.
- $\xi = \eta L \zeta$, where η has a chi-distribution with m degrees of freedom and ζ is uniformly distributed over \mathbb{S}^{m-1} euclidian unit-sphere of \mathbb{R}^m
- As a consequence, for M Lebesgue-mesurable

$$\mathbb{P}[\xi \in M] = \int_{v \in \mathbb{S}^{m-1}} \mu_\eta(\{r \geq 0 : rLv \cap M \neq \emptyset\}) d\mu_\zeta$$

- Efficient sampling schemes for such integrals [Deak 00](#)
- In our case $M(x) = \{z \in \mathbb{R}^m : g(x, z) \leq 0\}$ is a convex hence Lebesgue measurable

Eventual convexity example

In general $g: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by:

$$g(x, z) := z^\top W(x)z + 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i^\top z + b,$$

where W a positive semi-definite matrix valued mapping

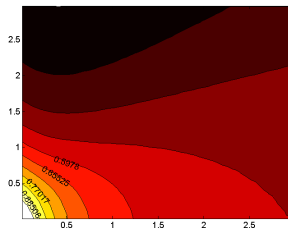
$W(x) = x_1 W_1 + x_2 W_2$, where

$$W_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } W_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -0.7 \\ -0.7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

the correlation matrix R :

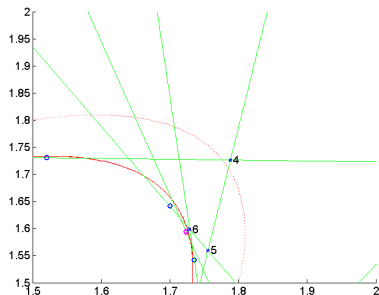
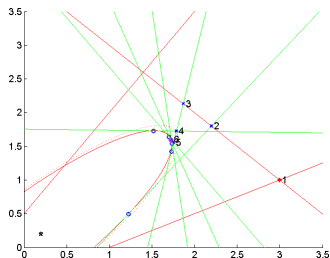
$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

and $w_1 = (-1, 1)$, $w_2 = (2, 3)$ and $b = -3$



Proba constraints are not just plain non-linear constraints

- φ is not known up to arbitrary precision (or would be unreasonably costly). A (sub-)gradient of φ also suffers from numerical imprecision. Explicit formula allowing for computations with a trade-off cost/efficiency.
- An example shows that cutting planes may locally over-estimate the map (or set):



Eventual convexity result

Theorem (Simplified version)

Let $g: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex in the first argument and "non-distorted". Let $\xi \sim E(\mu, \Sigma, \theta)$ be elliptically symmetrically distributed with mean μ , covariance matrix Σ , generator θ and associated radial distribution R . Assume also a "generalized concavity" property of F_R .

Then the set

$$M(p) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbb{P}[g(x, \xi) \leq 0] \geq p\}$$

is convex provided that

$$p \geq p^* := \frac{1}{4} F_R \left(\frac{z_*(m, \alpha, \theta) \delta^{\text{nd}}}{\delta^{\text{vol}}} \right) + \frac{3}{4}$$

If g is only non-distorted for all $\bar{x} \in X$, where X is a convex compact set, then $M(p) \cap X$ is convex for $p \geq p^*$, with p^*

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Solution by duality for deterministic case

For special case $m = M$

$$\begin{cases} \min & c(x) \\ x \in X, & \sum_i x_i - d = 0 \end{cases}$$

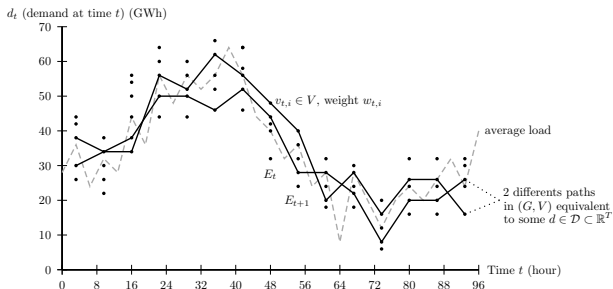
$$L(x, \lambda) := \sum_i c_i(x_i) + \sum_t \lambda^t \left(\sum_i x_i^t - d^t \right) = \sum_i \left(c_i(x_i) + \sum_t \lambda^t (x_i^t - d^t) \right)$$

$$\theta(\lambda) := \min_{x \in X} L(x, \lambda) = \sum_i \min_{x_i \in X_i} \left(c_i(x_i) + \sum_t \lambda^t (x_i^t - d^t) \right)$$

dual resolution by proximal bundle method

primal recovery by efficient heuristics

State-space model



- At each time step $t \in \tau$, a set of nodes E_t containing both a value for D_t and a weight w_t .
- Graph (G, V) , with $G = \bigcup_t E_t$, such that V connects all nodes in E_t to those in E_{t+1} that are not further apart than H ,
- Ξ is the set of all paths in (G, V) satisfying $\sum_t w_t \leq W_{\max}$ for a given maximum budget of uncertainty W_{\max} .
- $\text{Card } \Xi$ is huge, but computing the sup over Ξ by a simple 1-dimensional dynamic programming principle.

Load uncertainty

We generate the uncertain loads as an average load on top of which we add a causal time series model (see, e.g., [Bruhns et al 2005](#)).

We consider the Gaussian random variable

$$D(\xi) = \bar{D} + \zeta,$$

where ζ is an $AR(3)$ model with Gaussian innovations

The covariance matrix is $\Sigma^D = (C^D S)(S(C^D))^T$, where S is a diagonal matrix with element

$$S_{jj} = \mathbf{f} \frac{\bar{D}_j}{\frac{1}{T} \sum_{j=1}^T \bar{D}_j}$$

and C^D is the nominal covariance matrix with $C_{ji} = \sum_{k=1}^{j-i+1} \phi_k^D$

$$\phi_k^D = \begin{cases} \phi_3 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ \phi_3 \phi_1^D + \phi_2 & \text{if } k = 2 \\ \phi_3 \phi_2^D + \phi_2 \phi_1^D + \phi_1 & \text{if } k = 3 \\ \sum_{k=1}^3 \phi_{4-k} \phi_{j-k}^D & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$