

Some Properties of Solution to Semidefinite Complementarity Problem

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Abstract

In this paper, we discuss the nonemptiness and boundedness of the solution set for P_* -semidefinite complementarity problem by using the concept of exceptional family of elements for complementarity problems over the cone of semidefinite matrices, and obtain a main result that if the corresponding problem has a strict feasible point, then its solution set is nonemptiness and boundedness.

Keywords

Semidefinite Complementarity Problem, P_* -Mapping, Nonemptiness, Boundedness

1. Introduction

This paper deals with semidefinite complementarity problem (SDCP). Let χ denote the space of $n \times n$ block-diagonal real matrices with m blocks of sizes n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m ($n = \sum_{i=1}^m n_i$). We endow χ with the inner product and norm:

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \text{tr}[X^T Y], \quad \|X\| = \sqrt{\langle X, X \rangle} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i(X)^2}, \quad (1.1)$$

where $X, Y \in \chi$ and $\text{tr}[\cdot]$ denotes the matrix trace, $\|X\|$ is the Frobenius-norm of X and $\lambda_i(X)$ stands for the i -eigenvalue of X . Let \mathbb{S} denote the subspace comprising those $X \in \chi$ that are symmetric, i.e., $X^T = X$. We denote by $S_+(S_{++})$ the cone of symmetric positive semidefinite (positive definite) matrices in \mathbb{S} , We use the symbol $X \succeq (>) 0$ to say that $X \in S_+(S_{++})$. To facilitate the presentation, let X_j, Y_j is the j -th block of $X, Y \in \chi$, respectively. The SDCP is to find, for given mapping $F: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$, an $(X, Y) \in \mathbb{S} \times \mathbb{S}$ satisfying

$$X \succeq 0, Y \succeq 0, \langle X, Y \rangle = 0, Y = F(X). \quad (1.2)$$

The problem was firstly introduced in a slightly different form by Kojima, Shindoh and Hara [1] as a model unifying various problems arising from system and control theory and combinatorial optimization. It can be regarded as a generalization of standard complementarity problem (CP).

Recently, there has been growing interest in searching for solutions methods for SDCP [1] [2] [3], but the assumption that SDCP has a solution is necessary for these solutions methods. It follows that the research of solution conditions for SDCP has played a very important role in both theory and practical applications. Among them, the concept of exceptional family is a powerful tool to study existence of the solution to CP. The concept of exceptional family of elements for a continuous function was first introduced by Smith [4]. Subsequently, Isac *et al.* [5] introduced a more general notion of exceptional family of elements. Using this notation, some existence theorems of a solution to nonlinear complementarity problems were presented in [5] [6] [7]. Zhao, Han *et al.* extended it to study existence conditions of a solution to variational inequality problems [8] [9] [10] [11]. Recently, this notation was extended to study existence conditions of a solution to semidefinite complementarity problems and copositive cone complementarity problem [12] [13] [14].

In this paper, Motivated by the previous researches, we discuss the nonemptiness and boundedness of the solution set for P_* -semidefinite complementarity problem by using the concept of exceptional family of elements for complementarity problems over the cone of semidefinite matrices, and we prove that if the corresponding problem has a strict feasible point, then its solution set is nonemptiness and boundedness.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. The preliminary results which will be used in this paper are stated in Section 2. In Section 3, we discuss the nonemptiness and boundedness of the solution set for P_* -semidefinite complementarity problem by using the concept of exceptional family of elements for complementarity problems over the cone of semidefinite matrices. Conclusions are drawn in Section 4.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we firstly recall some matrix properties that we shall employ throughout this paper. Their proofs and mores details can be found for instance in [15] [16].

Proposition 2.1 (*Von Neuman-Theobald's inequality*) For any $X, Y \in S_+^n$, it holds that $\langle X, Y \rangle \leq \lambda(X)^T \lambda(Y)$, with equality if and only if X and Y are simultaneously diagonalizable, where $\lambda(X), \lambda(Y)$ is the eigenvalue vector of X and Y , respectively.

Proposition 2.2 Let $X, Y \in S_+^n$, if $\langle X, Y \rangle = 0$, then X and Y commute, i.e., X and Y are simultaneously diagonalizable.

Proposition 2.3 (*Fejer's theorem*) Let $X \in S^n$, it holds that $\langle X, Y \rangle \geq 0$ for

all $Y \succeq 0$ if and only if $X \succeq 0$. Moreover, $\langle X, Y \rangle > 0$ for all $Y \succ 0$ if and only if $X \succ 0$.

Now, we present the definition and the property of P_* -mapping and exceptional family of elements for SDCP on the subspace \mathbb{S} .

Definition 2.1 A mapping $F : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ is said to be a P_* -mapping, if there exists a nonnegative constant γ such that the following inequality holds for any distinct $X, Y \in \mathbb{S}$,

$$(1 + \gamma) \sum_{j \in I_+(X, Y, F)} \langle X_j - Y_j, F_j(X) - F_j(Y) \rangle + \sum_{j \in I_-(X, Y, F)} \langle X_j - Y_j, F_j(X) - F_j(Y) \rangle \geq 0, \tag{2.1}$$

where $I_+(X, Y, F) = \{j \in I : \langle X_j - Y_j, F_j(X) - F_j(Y) \rangle > 0\}$,

$I_-(X, Y, F) = \{j \in I : \langle X_j - Y_j, F_j(X) - F_j(Y) \rangle \leq 0\}$ and $I = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$.

Definition 2.2 [2] A sequence $\{X^r\}_{r>0} = \{\text{diag}(X_1^r, X_2^r, \dots, X_m^r)\}_{r>0} \subseteq S_+$ is said to an exceptional family of elements for SDCP if and only if for any r and every $i \in I$, there exists a real number $\mu_i^r > 0$ such that

$$F_i(X^r) + \mu_i^r X_i^r \succeq 0, \langle F_i(X^r) + \mu_i^r X_i^r, X_i^r \rangle = 0, \tag{2.2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \|X_i^r\|^2 \rightarrow +\infty, r \rightarrow +\infty. \tag{2.3}$$

Theorem 2.1 [12] If $F : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ is a continuous mapping, then SDCP has either a solution or an exceptional family.

3. Main Result

To obtain our main results, we firstly present the following three lemmas in this section.

Lemma 3.1 If $X_i^r \succeq 0$, $C_i \succ 0$ is a matrix of size $n_i \times n_i$ and $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \|X_i^r\| \rightarrow +\infty$, then there exists a subsequence $\{X_i^{r_n}\}$ such that $\{\langle X_i^{r_n}, C_i \rangle\}$ has no a upper boundedness.

Proof. Suppose that the spectral decomposition of X_i^r and C_i is as follows, respectively.

$$X_i^r = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \lambda_j^r \xi_j^r \xi_j^{rT}, C_i = \sum_{l=1}^{n_i} \gamma_l \eta_l \eta_l^T, \tag{3.1}$$

where λ_j^r, γ_l is the eigenvalue of X_i^r, C_i , respectively. ξ_j^r, η_l is the corresponding eigenvector, respectively. Noting that $X_i^r \succeq 0, C_i \succ 0$, we have that

$$\lambda_j^r \geq 0, \gamma_l > 0. \tag{3.2}$$

In view of $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \|X_i^r\| \rightarrow +\infty$ and $\|X_i^r\| = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (\lambda_j^r)^2}$, thus, there exists a j_0

such that $\{\lambda_{j_0}^r\}$ is unbounded. The above relation also show that there exists a

subsequence $\{r_k\}$ such that $\lim_{r_k \rightarrow +\infty} \|\lambda_{j_0}^k\| \rightarrow +\infty$.

The next object is to show that there exists l_* such that $\xi_{j_0}^{rT} \eta_{l_*} \neq 0$.

Assume that $\xi_{j_0}^{rT} \eta_l = 0$ for any l , one gets

$$A \xi_{j_0}^r = 0, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1^T \\ \eta_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \eta_{n_i}^T \end{bmatrix}. \tag{3.3}$$

Since A is a nonsingular, then we have $\xi_{j_0}^r = 0$. This is a contradiction. Combining the above relations, we have

$$\lambda_{j_0}^{r_k} \gamma_{l_*} \left(\xi_{j_0}^{r_k T} \eta_{l_*} \right)^2 \rightarrow +\infty, \text{ as } r_k \rightarrow +\infty. \tag{3.4}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \langle X_i^r, C_i \rangle &= \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \sum_{l=1}^{n_i} \lambda_j^r \gamma_l \left(\xi_j^{rT} \eta_l \right)^2 \\ &= \lambda_{j_0}^{r_k} \gamma_{l_*} \left(\xi_{j_0}^{r_k T} \eta_{l_*} \right)^2 + \sum_{j=1, j \neq j_0}^{n_i} \sum_{l=1, l \neq l_*}^{n_i} \lambda_j^r \gamma_l \left(\xi_j^{rT} \eta_l \right)^2 \\ &\geq \lambda_{j_0}^{r_k} \gamma_{l_*} \left(\xi_{j_0}^{r_k T} \eta_{l_*} \right)^2 \rightarrow +\infty, \text{ as } r_k \rightarrow +\infty. \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

The proof is complete.

From Proposition 2.1 and Proposition 2.2, we can get the following lemma.

Lemma 3.2 *If $U \succ 0$, $V \succeq 0$ and $\langle U, V \rangle = 0$, then $V = 0$.*

The proof of the following lemma is elementary, and omitted.

Lemma 3.3 *If $\{U^r\} \in S_+$ and $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \|U^r\| \rightarrow +\infty$, and \hat{U} is a cluster point of*

$$\left\{ \frac{U^r}{\|U^r\|} \right\}, \text{ then } \hat{U} \in S_+ \text{ and } \|\hat{U}\| = 1.$$

Now, we present our main results as follows.

Theorem 3.1 *If $F: \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ is a continuous P_* mapping and there exists a strict feasible point for SDCP, i.e., $X^0 \succeq 0, F(X^0) \succ 0$, then the solution set of SDCP is nonempty.*

Proof. Suppose that there exists no solution for SDCP, then from Theorem 2.1, we have that there exists an exceptional family of elements

$$\{X^r\}_{r>0} = \left\{ \text{diag} \left(X_1^r, X_2^r, \dots, X_m^r \right) \right\}_{r>0} \subseteq S_+ \text{ for SDCP, and for every } i \in I, \text{ there}$$

exists a real number $\mu_i^r > 0$ such that

$$F_i(X^r) + \mu_i^r X_i^r \succeq 0, \quad \langle F_i(X^r) + \mu_i^r X_i^r, X_i^r \rangle = 0, \tag{3.6}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \|X_i^r\|^2 \rightarrow +\infty, \quad r \rightarrow +\infty. \tag{3.7}$$

Let $U_i^r = F_i(X^r) + \mu_i^r X_i^r$. From the above first equation, one gets $U_i^r \succeq 0$. Thus, for any $i \in I$, taking into account the above second equation and Proposition 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^r) - F_i(X^0) \rangle \\
 &= \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, U_i^r - \mu_i^r X_i^r - F_i(X^0) \rangle \\
 &= -\mu_i^r \|X_i^r\|^2 - \langle X_i^0, U_i^r \rangle - \mu_i^r \langle X_i^r, -X_i^0 \rangle - \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^0) \rangle \quad (3.8) \\
 &\leq -\mu_i^r \|X_i^r\|^2 - \mu_i^r \langle X_i^r, -X_i^0 \rangle - \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^0) \rangle \\
 &\leq -\mu_i^r \|X_i^r\| (\|X_i^r\| - \|X_i^0\|) - \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^0) \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Denote by $I^1 = \{i \in I : \|X_i^r\| \rightarrow +\infty, r \rightarrow +\infty\}$, $I^2 = I \setminus I^1$. Obviously, $I^1 \neq \emptyset$ and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle X^r - X^0, F(X^r) - F(X^0) \rangle \\
 &= \sum_{i \in I^1} \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^r) - F_i(X^0) \rangle + \sum_{i \in I^2} \langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^r) - F_i(X^0) \rangle. \quad (3.9)
 \end{aligned}$$

When $i \in I^2$, we have that there exists a upper boundedness for $\{\langle X_i^r - X_i^0, F_i(X^r) - F_i(X^0) \rangle\}$ from the formula (3.8).

When $i \in I^1$, one gets $\|X_i^r\| > \|X_i^0\|$ for sufficient large k . Noticing that $X^r \succeq 0, F_i(X^0) \succ 0$, from Lemma 3.1, we have that for any $i \in I^1$, there exists a subsequence $\{X_i^{r_n}\}$ such that $\lim_{r_n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle X_i^{r_n}, F_i(X^0) \rangle \rightarrow +\infty$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{r_n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle X_i^{r_n} - X_i^0, F_i(X^0) \rangle \rightarrow +\infty. \text{ In view of the formula (3.8), one gets} \\
 & \lim_{r_n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle X_i^{r_n} - X_i^0, F_i(X^r) - F_i(X^0) \rangle \rightarrow -\infty, \quad (3.10)
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{r_n \rightarrow +\infty} \langle X^{r_n} - X^0, F(X^r) - F(X^0) \rangle \rightarrow -\infty. \quad (3.11)$$

This is a contradiction with F being a P_* -mapping. The proof is complete.

Theorem 3.2 *If $F : \mathbb{S} \rightarrow \mathbb{S}$ is a continuous P_* -mapping and there exists a strict feasible point for SDCP, i.e., $X^0 \succeq 0, F(X^0) \succ 0$, then the solution set of SDCP is bounded.*

Proof. Suppose that the solution set of SDCP is unbounded, i.e., there exists a solution sequence $\{X^k\}$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow +\infty} \|X^k\| \rightarrow +\infty$. Obviously,

$$X^k \succeq 0, F(X^k) \succeq 0, \langle X^k, F(X^k) \rangle = 0, \forall k. \quad (3.12)$$

Noting that F is a P_* mapping, we have that for any k

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 + \gamma) \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0 - X_j^k, F_j(X^0) - F_j(X^k) \rangle \\
 & + \sum_{j \in I_-(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0 - X_j^k, F_j(X^0) - F_j(X^k) \rangle \geq 0, \quad (3.13)
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \langle X^0 - X^k, F(X^0) - F(X^k) \rangle \\
 & \geq -\gamma \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0 - X_j^k, F_j(X^0) - F_j(X^k) \rangle. \quad (3.14)
 \end{aligned}$$

From the formula (3.12), one gets

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle X^0, F(X^k) \rangle + \langle F(X^0), X^k \rangle \\ & + \gamma \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \left[\langle X_j^0, F_j(X^k) \rangle + \langle X_j^k, F_j(X^0) \rangle \right] \\ & \leq \langle X^0, F(X^0) \rangle + \gamma \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0, F_j(X^0) \rangle. \end{aligned} \tag{3.15}$$

Taking into account Proposition 2.3 and the formula (3.15), we get

$$\langle F(X^0), X^k \rangle \leq \langle X^0, F(X^0) \rangle + \gamma \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0, F_j(X^0) \rangle. \tag{3.16}$$

Noting that $\left\{ \frac{X^k}{\|X^k\|} \right\}$ is bounded. Hence, there exists a subsequence $\{X^{k_n}\}$

such that

$$\lim_{k_n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{X^{k_n}}{\|X^{k_n}\|} = \bar{X}. \tag{3.17}$$

From Lemma 3.3, we have that $\bar{X} \pm 0, \|\bar{X}\| = 1$.

On the other hand, from (3.16), one gets for any k_n

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle F(X^0), \frac{X^{k_n}}{\|X^{k_n}\|} \right\rangle &= \frac{\langle F(X^0), X^{k_n} \rangle}{\|X^{k_n}\|} \\ &\leq \frac{\langle X^0, F(X^0) \rangle + \gamma \sum_{j \in I_+(X^0, X^k, F)} \langle X_j^0, F_j(X^0) \rangle}{\|X^{k_n}\|}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.18}$$

Since $\lim_{k_n \rightarrow +\infty} \|X^{k_n}\| \rightarrow +\infty$, then

$$\langle F(X^0), \bar{X} \rangle \leq 0. \tag{3.19}$$

Obviously, $\langle F(X^0), \bar{X} \rangle \geq 0$. Thus, $\langle F(X^0), \bar{X} \rangle = 0$, which implies that $\bar{X} = 0$ from Lemma 3.2. This is a contradiction with $\|\bar{X}\| = 1$. The proof is complete.

4. Conclusion

In this paper, the nonemptiness and boundedness of the solution set for P_* -semidefinite complementarity problem have been discussed by using the concept of exceptional family of elements for complementarity problems over the cone of semidefinite matrices, and a main result has been shown that if the corresponding problem has a strict feasible point, then its solution set is nonemptiness and boundedness.

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