

On chance constrained optimization

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Outline of the talk

- ① **Introduction to chance constraints**
- ② State-of-the art
 - Theory, Convexity, Optimality Conditions, Approximations
- ③ SOCP approximation of joint chance constraints
- ④ SOCP approximation of rectangular joint chance constraints
- ⑤ SOCP Chance constrained geometric optimization
- ⑥ SOCP Chance constrained games
- ⑦ Dependence of joint chance constraints
- ⑧ Conclusions

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- Kataoka(1963), van de Panne and Popp(1963) proposed a solution approach for individual normal constraints.
- Miller and Wagner(1965):
 - ① Investigated the model of joint constraints with **independent rvs on RHS**;
 - ② They found convexity conditions using statistical hazard function,
 - ③ Designed three algorithms based on linearization of logarithmic chance constraints.
- Jagannathan(1974) relaxed the assumption of independence for the RHS case, and considered also the case of an independent random coefficient matrix (with a common row variance).

Literature review

Prekopa's contributions

Andras Prekopa

- We owe Prekopa several main contributions in chance constrained optimization
 - ① He studied **joint constraints with dependency** Prékopa(1970), and introduced **quasi-concave** constraint function, and log-concave measures in Prékopa(1971).
 - ② He proved the **convexity for right-hand sided** problems for log-concave distribution and concave g_i in Prékopa(1971) .
 - ③ He studied the property of **α -concavity** for many prominent distributions (multivariate gamma) in Prékopa and Szántai(1978).
 - ④ He gave the generalized definition of α -concave measures on a set, and used for extending **optimality and duality theory** in Dentcheva, Prekopa and Ruszczyński(2000, 2002).
 - ⑤ He introduced **p -efficient points** in Prékopa(1990)

ACC

- Sample average approximation (SAA) studied by Shapiro(1993), Ahmed and Shapiro(2002), ...
- Scenario approximation method studied by Calafiore and Campi(2005), Calafiore and Campi(2006), extended by Nemirovski and Shapiro(2006).
- Robust optimization scheme: Ben-Tal and Nemirovski(1998), Bertsimas and Sim(2004), El Ghaoui and Lebret(1997)
- Integer programming approach: Luedtke and Ahmed(2008), Luedtke, Ahmed and Nemhauser(2010)...

Approximations of chance constraints

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- *Distributionally Robust Stochastic Knapsack Problem* Cheng, Delage and Lisser (2014).
- *Chance constrained 0-1 quadratic programs using copulas* Cheng and Lisser(2015).
- *Stochastic games* in Singh, Lisser and Jouini (2015).
- *Stochastic geometric optimization with joint probabilistic constraints* in Liu, Lisser and Chen (2016).
- *Variational inequality formulation for the games with random payoffs*, Vikas Vikram Singh, Abdel Lisser, (2018).
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- *Rectangular chance constrained geometric optimization* in Jia Liu, Shen Peng, Abdel Lisser, Zhiping Chen, (2019).
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... Several solving methods

- Cutting plane method
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- Dual method (nonlinear probabilistic problems)
- Primal-Dual method (linear probabilistic problems)
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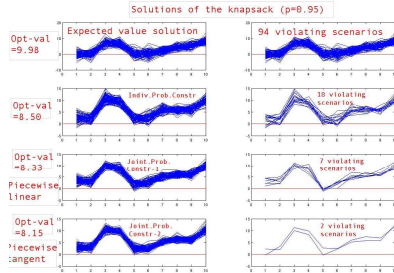
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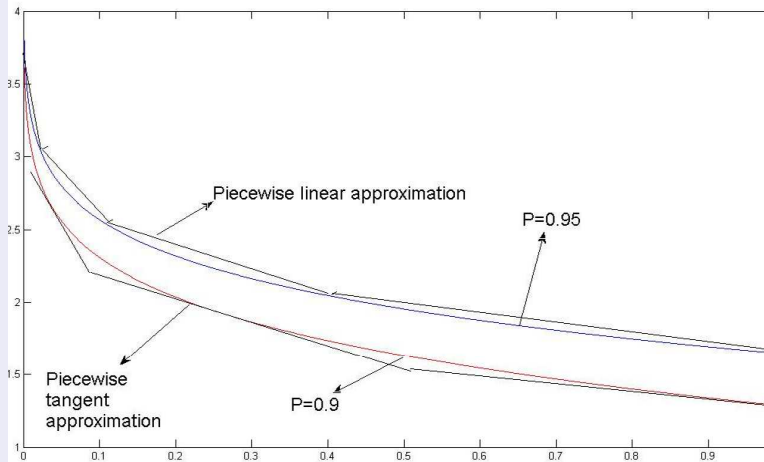
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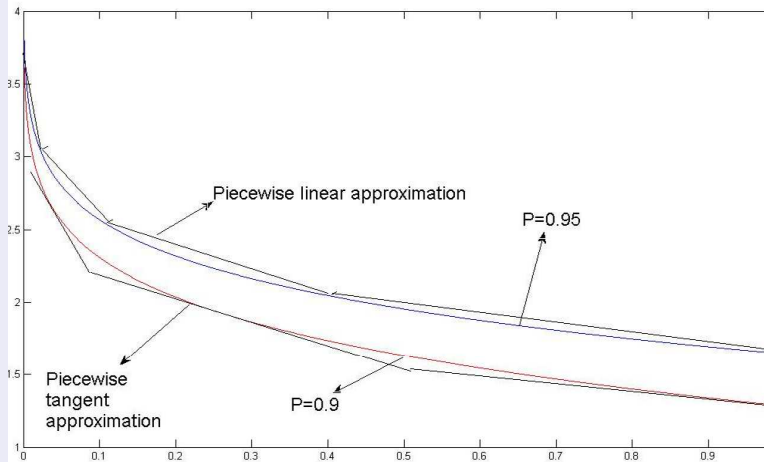
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Restricted shortest path with joint constraints

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linearization constraints

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$$X_{ii} = x_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

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Introduction

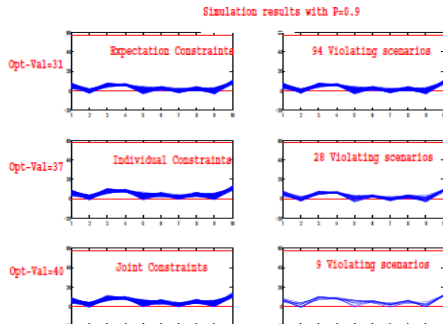


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$$\min_t \quad g_0(t) \text{ s.t. } \quad g_k(t) \leq 1, \quad k = 1, \dots, K, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^M$$

with

$$g_k(t) = \sum_{i \in I_k} c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}}, \quad k = 0, \dots, K.$$

$\{I_k, \quad k = 0, \dots, K\}$ is the disjoint index sets of $\{1, \dots, Q\}$.

We call $c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}}$ a monomial and $g_k(t)$ a posynomial.

Geometric programs (Cont'd)

Geometric programs have a number of practical problems, such as

- shape optimization problems (Boyd et al., 2007)
- electrical circuit design problems (Boyd et al., 2007)
- mechanical engineering problems (Wiebking, 1977)
- economic and managerial problems (Luptáček, 1981)
- nonlinear network problems (Kim et al., 2007)

Stochastic geometric programs

- Generally, c_i are supposed to be non-negative coefficients.
- In real life problems, c_i is not known deterministically but **randomly**.
- As c_i are random variables, we formulate the problem as stochastic geometric program.
- We use probabilistic constraints to model the uncertainty in the posynomial constraints.

Stochastic geometric programs (Cont'd)

Stochastic geometric programs with individual probabilistic constraints can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} (SGPIPC) \quad & \min_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^M} E \left[\sum_{i \in I_0} c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}} \right] \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & P \left(\sum_{i \in I_k} c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}} \leq 1 \right) \geq 1 - \epsilon_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K. \end{aligned}$$

where $\epsilon_k \in (0, 0.5]$ is the tolerance probability for the k -th posynomial constraint.

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Stochastic geometric programs with joint probabilistic constraints:

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We are interested by stochastic geometric program with joint probabilistic constraints.

- We suppose that a_{ij} is deterministic and c_i is normally distributed and pairwise independent of each other, i.e., $c_i \sim N(E_{c_i}, \sigma_i^2)$.

We consider the following tools:

- ① standard variable transformation from geometric programming
- ② piecewise linear approximation
- ③ sequential convex approximation

Equivalent formulation

As c_i are pairwise independent, we have

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Equivalent formulation (Cont'd)

We introduce auxiliary variables $y_k \in \mathbb{R}$, $k = 1, \dots, K$, (SGPJPC) problem can be equivalently reformulated as

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^M, y \in \mathbb{R}^K} \quad & E \left[\sum_{i \in I_0} c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}} \right] \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & P \left(\sum_{i \in I_k} c_i \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}} \leq 1 \right) \geq y_k, \quad k = 1, \dots, K, \\ & \prod_{k=1}^K y_k \geq 1 - \epsilon, \quad y_k \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

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$\Phi^{-1}(y_k)$ is the quantile of standard normal distribution $N(0, 1)$.

Equivalent formulation (Cont'd)

The standard variable transformation $r_j = \log(t_j)$, $j = 1, \dots, M$ and $x_k = \log(y_k)$, $k = 1, \dots, K$ leads to the equivalent formulation:

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Theorem 14

An approximation of (SGPJPC) problem can be found by using the piecewise linear function $F(x_k)$:

(SGP_A)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{r \in \mathbb{R}^M, x \in \mathbb{R}^K} \quad & \sum_{i \in I_0} E_{c_i} \exp \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M a_{ij} r_j \right\} \\ & \sum_{i \in I_k} E_{c_i} \exp \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M a_{ij} r_j \right\} + \sqrt{\sum_{i \in I_k} \sigma_i^2 \exp \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^M (2a_{ij} r_j + d_s x_k + b_s) \right\}} \\ & \leq 1, \quad s = 1, \dots, S, \quad k = 1, \dots, K, \\ & \sum_{k=1}^K x_k \geq \log(1 - \epsilon), \quad x_k \leq 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, K. \end{aligned}$$

The optimal value is a lower bound of the (SGPJPC) problem. When S goes to infinity, the approximation is tight.

Sequential convex approximation

- Sequential convex approximation \Rightarrow upper bound
- Basic idea: decompose the problem into subproblems where a subset of variables is fixed alternatively.
- We first fix $y = y^n$ and update t by solving

$$(SQ_1) \quad \min_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^M} \quad \sum_{i \in I_0} E_{c_i} \prod_{j=1}^M t_j^{a_{ij}}$$
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- ϕ_k is a chosen searching direction.

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Algorithm 1 Sequential convex approximation

Initialization:

Choose an initial point y^0 of y feasible for (8). Set $n = 0$.

Iteration:

while $n \geq 1$ and $\|y^{n-1} - y^n\|$ is small enough **do**

- Solve problem (SQ_1) ; let t^n , θ^n and v^n denote an optimal solution of t , an optimal solution of the Lagrangian dual variable θ and the optimal value, respectively.

- Solve problem (SQ_2) with $\phi_k = \theta_k^n \cdot (\Phi^{-1})'(y_k^n) \sqrt{\sum_{i \in I_k} \sigma_i^2 \prod_{j=1}^M (t_j^n)^{2a_{ij}}}$; let \tilde{y} denote an optimal solution.

- $y^{n+1} \leftarrow y^n + \tau(\tilde{y} - y^n)$, $n \leftarrow n + 1$. Here, $\tau \in (0, 1)$ is the step length.

end while

Output: t^n, v^n

Theorem 15

Algorithm 1 converges in a finite number of iterations and the returned value v^n is a upper bound for problem (SGP).

- Problems (SQ_1) and (SQ_2) are both geometric programs, hence they can be transformed into a convex programming problem, and solved by interior point methods.

Shape optimization problem

Consider a joint probabilistic constrained shape optimization problem,

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{h,w,\zeta} \quad & h^{-1}w^{-1}\zeta^{-1} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & P\left((2/A_{wall})hw + (2/A_{wall})h\zeta \leq 1, (1/A_{flr})w\zeta \leq 1\right) \geq 1 - \epsilon, \\ & \alpha h^{-1}w \leq 1, (1/\beta)hw^{-1} \leq 1, \\ & \gamma w\zeta^{-1} \leq 1, (1/\delta)w^{-1}\zeta \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- maximize the volume of a box-shaped structure with height h , width w and depth ζ
- subject to the total wall area $2(hw + h\zeta)$, and floor area $w\zeta$

- Set $\alpha = \gamma = 0.5$, $\beta = \delta = 2$, $\epsilon = 5\%$,
- Assume $1/A_{wall} \sim N(0.005, 0.01)$ and $1/A_{flr} \sim N(0.01, 0.01)$.
- We use CVX software to solve the approximation problems with Matlab R2012b on a PC with a 2.6 Ghz Intel Core i7-5600U CPU and 12.0 GB RAM.
- We solve five groups of approximation problems with different number of segments, S .

Table 1: Computational results

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2	184	91	0.234	0.6272	0.256	5.5274	8.789
5	283	153	0.241	0.9480	0.256	5.5274	6.044
10	513	273	0.252	1.3554	0.256	5.5274	1.713
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Sequential convex approximation algorithm converges within 7 outer iterations

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Vikas Vikram Singh, Oualid Jouini, and Abdel Lisser, *Existence of Nash equilibrium for chance-constrained games*, **Operations Research Letters**, 44 (5): 640–644, 2016.

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Proposition 18 (Sklar's theorem)

For any K -dimensional distribution function $F : \mathbb{R}^K \rightarrow [0; 1]$ with marginals F_1, \dots, F_K , there exists a copula C such that

$$\forall z \in \mathbb{R}^K \quad F(z) = C(F_1(z_1), \dots, F_K(z_K)).$$

If, moreover, F_k are continuous, then C is uniquely given by

$$C(u) = F(F_1^{-1}(u_1), \dots, F_K^{-1}(u_K)).$$

Otherwise, C is uniquely determined on $\text{range } F_1 \times \dots \times \text{range } F_K$.

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Archimedean copulae

Definition 19

A copula C is called **Archimedean** if there exists a continuous strictly decreasing function $\psi : [0; 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$, called **generator of C** , such that $\psi(1) = 0$ and

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If $\lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \psi(u) = +\infty$ then C is called a **strict Archimedean copula** and ψ is called a **strict generator**.

Properties of copula generator

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Normal distribution and dependence

Chance-constrained problem with dependent constraint rows

$$\min x^T Q x + c^T x \quad \text{subject to} \quad \mathbb{P}\{T x \leq d\} \geq p, \quad A x = b, \quad x \in \{0, 1\}^n$$

where

- ① $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $d \in \mathbb{R}^K$, and $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ are deterministic vectors,
- ② $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ are deterministic matrices,
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Approximation to SOCP problems

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Table: Computational results when $p = 0.9$

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(28,10,5)	6.734	29.31	6.899	16.15	2.45	9.365	0.44	39.07	7.535	3.13	11.89
(50,5,10)	8.025	312.61	8.025	251.79	0.00	11.19	9.31	39.56	9.271	92.75	15.53

$\theta = 2$	$V^{MILP}_{(C)}$ e+03	CPU (s)	$V^{MILP}_{(R)}$ e+03	CPU (s)	Gap (%)	V^{LP} e+03	CPU (s)	Gap (%)	V^{SDP} e+03	CPU (s)	GAP (%)
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(28,10,5)	7.361	15.73	7.361	16.60	0.00	9.369	0.45	27.28	7.725	3.64	4.94
(50,5,10)	8.025	253.88	8.025	228.29	0.00	11.20	7.35	39.56	9.513	92.32	18.54

$\theta = 5$	$V^{MILP}_{(C)}$ e+03	CPU (s)	$V^{MILP}_{(R)}$ e+03	CPU (s)	Gap (%)	V^{LP} e+03	CPU (s)	Gap (%)	V^{SDP} e+03	CPU (s)	GAP (%)
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(28,10,5)	7.361	10.76	7.361	14.87	0.00	9.366	0.43	27.24	7.830	3.14	6.37
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