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A Primal-Dual IPM Algorithm for LO Problem Based on a New Kernel Function with a Logarithmic Barrier Term

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Abstract: In this paper, we consider a primal-dual Interior Point Method (IPM) for the linear optimization(LO) problem, based on a new kernel function with a logarithmic barrier term, which plays an important role for developing a new design of primal-dual IPM algorithms. New search directions and proximity functions are proposed based on this kernel function. We proved that our algorithm has $O\left(qSn^{\frac{Sq+1}{2Sq}}\log\left(\frac{n}{\epsilon}\right)\right)$ iteration bound for large-update methods.

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1 Introduction

In this paper we deal with primal-dual IPMs for solving the standard linear optimization (LO) problem

(P)
$$\min\left\{c^T x : Ax = b, x \ge 0\right\},\$$

and the dual problem of (P) is given by

(D) $\max\{b^T y + s = c, s \ge 0\},\$

where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, x, s, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and $y, b \in \mathbb{R}^m$.

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