

# A predictor-corrector infeasible-interior-point method for the Cartesian $P_*(\kappa)$ -LCP over symmetric cones with $O\left(\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \kappa)^2 r \log \varepsilon^{-1}\right)$ iteration complexity

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we present a predictor-corrector infeasible-interior-point method for symmetric cone linear complementarity problem (SCLCP) with the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -property ( $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP). This method is based on a wide neighbourhood, which is an even wider neighbourhood than the negative infinity neighbourhood. We show that the iteration-complexity bound of the proposed algorithm for a commutative class of search directions is  $O\left(\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \kappa)^2 r \log \varepsilon^{-1}\right)$ , where  $\text{cond}(G)$  is the condition number of matrix  $G$ ,  $\kappa$  is the handicap of the problem,  $r$  is the rank of the associated Euclidean Jordan algebra and  $\varepsilon > 0$  is a given tolerance. To our knowledge, this is the best complexity result obtained so far for the wide neighbourhood infeasible-interior-point methods for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCPs.

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## 1. Introduction

Interior-point methods (IPMs) that initiated by Karmarkar [1] play an important role in modern mathematical programming. They have been proposed for linear programming (LP), and then many of these methods are extended to symmetric cone programming (SCP). [2–8] SCP includes solving problems such as LP, semidefinite programming (SDP) and second-order cone programming. The foundation for solving these problems using IPMs was laid by Nesterov and Nemirovski [9]. The first extension of primal-dual IPMs for SCP was achieved by Nesterov and Todd [10,11].

Two popular neighbourhoods used in IPMs are so-called small neighbourhood and negative infinity wide neighbourhood. Ai [12] and Ai and Zhang [13] proposed a new class of wider neighbourhoods for LP and linear complementarity problems (LCPs), respectively, which is known as  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$  (see Section 3). Li and Terlaky [14] extended the Ai and Zhang's technique to SDP. In 2013, Liu et al. [15] extended the wide neighbourhood  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$  to SCP. Recently, Yang et al. [16] proposed a new approach in the complexity analysis of an infeasible-IPM for SCP based on the wide neighbourhood  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$  and improved the theoretical complexity bound in Liu et al. [15]. Motivated by these results, we present a predictor-corrector infeasible-interior-point algorithm for  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. The current paper aims at modifying Yang et al.'s algorithm in [16] to gain a new class of second-order corrector interior point algorithm for  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP.

The class of  $P_*(\kappa)$ -matrices was first introduced by Kojima et al. [17]. Later, the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP introduced by Luo and Xiu [18]. The Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$  class involves the Cartesian P class and turns out to be a special case in the Cartesian  $P_0$  class. Several efficient algorithms have been

proposed for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP and the Cartesian  $P$ -matrix SCLCP in [19–24]. Based on the Nesterov–Todd (NT) search direction, in [20,23,24] the authors proposed a class of polynomial interior point algorithms, which generates a sequence of iterates in the small neighbourhood of the central path. The first extension of infeasible-IPM based on the wide neighbourhood  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$  in [15] to the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP was achieved by Sayadi Shahraki et al. [22]. Furthermore, by using the NT search direction, the iteration complexity for this class of optimization problems is obtained as  $O((1 + \kappa)^3 r^2 \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ . [19,21] In [21], the iteration complexities for  $xs$  and  $sx$  search directions are obtained as  $O((1 + \kappa)^3 r^{2.5} \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ .

In this paper, we improve the iteration complexity for the NT search direction to  $O((1 + \kappa)^2 r \log \varepsilon^{-1})$  and the iteration complexities for  $xs$  and  $sx$  search directions to  $O((1 + \kappa)^2 r^{3/2} \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ .

This paper is organized as follows: In Section 2, we give a brief introduction to Euclidean Jordan algebra and IPM for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. In Section 3, we present an interior-point algorithm for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. In Section 4, we analyse the algorithm and obtain the currently best-known iteration bound for infeasible-IPMs for Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. Finally, some conclusions and remarks follow in section 5.

## 2. Preliminaries

### 2.1. Euclidean Jordan algebras and symmetric cones

In this section, we recall some concepts of Euclidean Jordan algebra and symmetric cones which are needed in this paper. For a comprehensive treatment of Euclidean Jordan algebras, the reader is referred to the monograph by Farut and Korány [25].

**Definition 1:** Let  $(\mathcal{J}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an  $n$ -dimensional inner product space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\circ : (x, y) \mapsto x \circ y$  be a bilinear map from  $\mathcal{J} \times \mathcal{J}$  to  $\mathcal{J}$ . Then, the triple  $(\mathcal{J}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle, \circ)$  is a Euclidean Jordan algebra if it satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $x \circ y = y \circ x$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{J}$ ;
- (ii)  $x \circ (x^2 \circ y) = x^2 \circ (x \circ y)$  for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{J}$ , where  $x^2 := x \circ x$ ;
- (iii)  $\langle x \circ y, z \rangle = \langle y, x \circ z \rangle$  for all  $x, y, z \in \mathcal{J}$ , where the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is defined by  $\langle x, y \rangle := \text{Tr}(x \circ y)$  for any  $x, y \in \mathcal{J}$ .

Since ‘ $\circ$ ’ is bilinear for every  $x \in \mathcal{J}$ , there exists a linear operator  $L(x)$  such that for every  $y \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $L(x)y := x \circ y$ . The vectors  $x$  and  $y$  are said to be operator commute if  $L(x)L(y) = L(y)L(x)$ . In other words,  $x$  and  $y$  are operator commute if  $x \circ (y \circ z) = y \circ (x \circ z)$ , for all  $z \in \mathcal{J}$ . Additionally, we define

$$Q(x) := 2L(x)^2 - L(x^2),$$

where  $L(x)^2 = L(x)L(x)$ .  $Q(x)$  is called the quadratic representation of  $x$ . In the following, we present some important properties of the quadratic representation.

**Proposition 2.1 (Proposition III.2.2 in [25]):** Let  $x, s \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ . Then  $Q(x)s \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ .

**Lemma 2.2 (Lemma 28 in [4]):** Let  $x, s \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$  and  $p$  be invertible. Then  $x \circ s = \mu e$  if and only if  $Q(p)x \circ Q(p^{-1})s = \mu e$ .

**Lemma 2.3 (Proposition 2.9 in [18]):** Let  $x, s \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ . If  $x$  and  $s$  are operator commute then  $Q(x^{1/2})s = x \circ s$ .

For a Euclidean Jordan algebra  $\mathcal{J}$ , the corresponding cone of squares  $\mathcal{K} := \{x^2 : x \in \mathcal{J}\}$  is a symmetric cone. A Jordan algebra has an identity element, if there exists a unique element  $e$ , such that  $x \circ e = e \circ x = x$  for all  $x \in \mathcal{J}$ . For any  $x \in \mathcal{J}$ , let  $k$  be the smallest integer such that the set

$\{e, x, \dots, x^k\}$  is linearly dependent. Then,  $k$  is the degree of  $x$  which is denoted by  $\deg(x)$ . The rank of  $\mathcal{J}$  is the largest  $\deg(x)$  of any element  $x \in \mathcal{J}$ .

An element  $c \in \mathcal{J}$  is said to be an idempotent if  $c \neq 0$  and  $c^2 = c$ . An idempotent  $c$  is primitive if it is nonzero and cannot be expressed by sum of two other nonzero idempotents. Two idempotents  $c_i$  and  $c_l$  are said to be orthogonal if  $c_i \circ c_l = 0$ . We say that  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k\}$  is a Jordan frame if each  $c_i$  is a primitive idempotent,  $c_i \circ c_l = 0$  for all  $i \neq l$ , and  $\sum_{j=1}^k c_j = e$ .

**Theorem 2.4 (Theorem III.1.2 in [25]):** Let  $\mathcal{J}$  be a Euclidean Jordan algebra of rank  $r$ . For any  $x \in \mathcal{J}$ , there exists a Jordan frame  $\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_r\}$  and real numbers  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$  such that

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i c_i. \quad (1)$$

Every  $\lambda_i$  is called an eigenvalue of  $x$  and (1) is the spectral decomposition of  $x$ . We denote  $\lambda_{\min}$  ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ) as the minimal (maximal) eigenvalue of  $x$ .

By using eigenvalues, we may extend the definition of any real-valued continuous function to elements of a Euclidean Jordan algebra. Particularly, we have some examples as follow:

**Square root:**  $x^{1/2} := \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i^{1/2} c_i$  if all  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ ;

**Inverse:**  $x^{-1} := \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i^{-1} c_i$  if all  $\lambda_i \neq 0$ ;

**Trace:**  $\text{Tr}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i$ ;

**Determinant:**  $\det(x) = \prod_{i=1}^r \lambda_i$ ;

**Frobenius norm:**  $\|x\| := \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle} = (\sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i^2)^{1/2}$ ;

**Metric projection:**  $x^+ = \sum_{i=1}^r \lambda_i^+ c_i$  where  $\lambda_i^+ = \max\{\lambda_i, 0\}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ . Moreover,  $x^- = x - x^+$ .

In the following, we recall two lemmas which are useful in the complexity analysis of the algorithm.

**Lemma 2.5 (Lemma 2.15 in [7]):** Let  $x \circ s \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ , then  $\det(x) \neq 0$ .

**Lemma 2.6 (Lemma 5.12 in [26]):** If  $x, y \in \mathcal{J}$ , then

$$\|(x+y)^+\| \leq \|x^+ + y^+\| \leq \|x^+\| + \|y^+\|.$$

## 2.2. IPM for the Cartesian $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP

Let  $n_\nu$ -dimensional space  $\mathcal{J}_\nu$  be a Euclidean Jordan algebra and  $\mathcal{K}_\nu$  is the corresponding symmetric cone with rank  $r_\nu$ , for any  $\nu \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{J} = \mathcal{J}_1 \times \mathcal{J}_2 \times \dots \times \mathcal{J}_N$  is the Cartesian product space with its cone of squares  $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{K}_1 \times \mathcal{K}_2 \times \dots \times \mathcal{K}_N$  and the dimension and rank of  $\mathcal{J}$  are  $n = \sum_{\nu=1}^N n_\nu$  and  $r = \sum_{\nu=1}^N r_\nu$ , respectively. In this paper, we consider

SCLCP, given in the standard form

$$x \in \mathcal{K}, s = \mathcal{A}(x) + q \in \mathcal{K}, \langle x, s \rangle = 0, \quad (2)$$

where  $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{J} \rightarrow \mathcal{J}$  is a given linear transformation and  $q \in \mathcal{J}$ .

We call SCLCP the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP if linear transformation  $\mathcal{A}$  has the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$  property for some nonnegative constant  $\kappa \geq 0$ , i.e.  $\mathcal{A}(u) - v = 0$  implies

$$(1 + 4\kappa) \sum_{v \in I_+} \langle u^{(v)}, v^{(v)} \rangle + \sum_{v \in I_-} \langle u^{(v)}, v^{(v)} \rangle \geq 0, \forall u, v \in \mathcal{J},$$

where  $I_+ = \{v : \langle u^{(v)}, v^{(v)} \rangle \geq 0\}$  and  $I_- = \{v : \langle u^{(v)}, v^{(v)} \rangle < 0\}$ .

Throughout the paper, we assume that the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP satisfies the interior-point condition (IPC), i.e. there exist  $(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K}$  such that  $s = \mathcal{A}(x) + q$ . Under the IPC, finding an optimal solution of (2) is equivalent to solving the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(x) - s &= -q, \\ x \circ s &= 0, \\ x, s &\in \text{int } \mathcal{K}, \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

The basic idea of primal-dual IPMs is to replace the second equation in (3), the so-called complementary condition for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP, by the parameterized equation  $x \circ s = \tau \mu e$ , with  $\mu = \langle x, s \rangle / r$  which is called the duality gap and  $\tau \in ]0, 1[$  is called centring parameter. This yields the following system

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(x) - s &= -q, \\ x \circ s &= \tau \mu e, \\ x, s &\in \text{int } \mathcal{K}. \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

A natural way to define a search direction is to follow Newton’s approach and linearize the second equation in (4). This leads to the following system:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\Delta x) - \Delta s &= \rho, \\ s \circ \Delta x + x \circ \Delta s &= \tau \mu e - x \circ s, \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

where the residual is denoted by  $\rho$  and is defined as

$$\rho = s - \mathcal{A}(x) - q.$$

Due to the fact that  $x$  and  $s$  may be not operator commute in general, the system (5) does not always have a unique solution. Therefore, we restrict the scaling  $u$  belong to the set of all elements so that the scaled elements are operator commute, i.e.

$$\mathcal{C}(x, s) = \{u : u \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \text{ such that } Q(u)x \text{ and } Q(u^{-1})s \text{ are operator commute}\}.$$

In particular, for

$$u = \left[ Q(x)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( Q(x^{\frac{1}{2}})s \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right]^{-1/2} = \left[ Q(s^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \left( Q(s^{\frac{1}{2}})x \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^{-1/2},$$

we obtain the NT search direction. Moreover, for the choice of  $u = s^{1/2}$  we get the  $xs$  search direction and for  $u = x^{-1/2}$  we get the  $sx$  search direction.

Let  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} = Q(u^{-1})\mathcal{A}Q(u^{-1})$ ,  $\tilde{x} = Q(u)x$ ,  $\tilde{s} = Q(u^{-1})s$ ,  $\Delta \tilde{x} = Q(u)\Delta x$ ,  $\Delta \tilde{s} = Q(u^{-1})\Delta s$  and  $\tilde{\rho} = Q(u^{-1})\rho$ . With these notations and Lemma 2.2, the Newton system becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\Delta \tilde{x}) - \Delta \tilde{s} &= \tilde{\rho}, \\ \tilde{s} \circ \Delta \tilde{x} + \tilde{x} \circ \Delta \tilde{s} &= \tau \mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s}. \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

### 3. Algorithm

Most IPMs are primal-dual path following methods, the iterates are confined to stay within a neighbourhood of the central path which is defined as

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K} : x \circ s = \mu e, \mu > 0\}.$$

The negative infinity neighbourhood which is a wide neighbourhood of the central path, is defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{N}_{\infty}^{-}(1 - \gamma) = \{(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K} : \lambda_{\min}(w) \geq \gamma\mu\},$$

where  $\gamma \in ]0, 1[$  and  $w = Q(x^{1/2})s$ .

In this paper, we will restrict the iterates into the following wide neighbourhood of the central path for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP, which introduced by Ai [12] for LP and Ai and Zhang [13] for LCP and Liu et al. [15] for SCP:

$$\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta) = \{(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K} : \|(\tau\mu e - w)^+\| \leq \beta\tau\mu\}, \quad (7)$$

where  $\beta, \tau \in ]0, 1[$ .

**Remark 1:** From the definition of  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ , it is obvious that

$$\mathcal{N}_{\infty}^{-}(1 - \tau) \subseteq \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta) \subseteq \mathcal{N}_{\infty}^{-}(1 - (1 - \beta)\tau).$$

To obtain the predictor directions, we need to solve the following two systems:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1) - \Delta\tilde{s}_1 &= \tilde{\rho}, \\ \tilde{s} \circ \Delta\tilde{x}_1 + \tilde{x} \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1 &= (\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^- + \sqrt{r}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+, \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\Delta\tilde{x}_2) - \Delta\tilde{s}_2 &= 0, \\ \tilde{s} \circ \Delta\tilde{x}_2 + \tilde{x} \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2 &= (\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^- + \sqrt{r}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Then, we compute the maximum size  $\delta \in [0, 1]$  that ensures

$$\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_3) \geq -\frac{3}{5}(1 + 2\kappa)(1 + \beta\tau)r\mu, \quad (10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\tilde{x}_3 &= \delta\Delta\tilde{x}_1 + (1 - \delta)\Delta\tilde{x}_2, \\ \Delta\tilde{s}_3 &= \delta\Delta\tilde{s}_1 + (1 - \delta)\Delta\tilde{s}_2. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

The predictor directions are obtained in the same way as [16]. By using  $\Delta\tilde{x}_3$  and  $\Delta\tilde{s}_3$ , we compute the corrector directions  $\Delta\tilde{x}^c$  and  $\Delta\tilde{s}^c$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c) - \Delta\tilde{s}^c &= 0, \\ \tilde{s} \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c + \tilde{x} \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c &= -\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_3. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

We get the new iterate  $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha))$  as follows:

$$(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) = (\tilde{x} + \alpha\Delta\tilde{x}_3 + \alpha^2\Delta\tilde{x}^c, \tilde{s} + \alpha\Delta\tilde{s}_3 + \alpha^2\Delta\tilde{s}^c), \quad (13)$$

where  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$  is the step size, which ensures a sufficient reduction in the duality gap and  $(\tilde{x}(\alpha), \tilde{s}(\alpha)) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ .

The duality gap corresponding to the new iterate is

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mu}(\alpha) &= \langle Q(u)(x + \alpha\Delta x_3 + \alpha^2\Delta x^c), Q(u^{-1})(s + \alpha\Delta s_3 + \alpha^2\Delta s^c) \rangle / r \\ &= \langle x + \alpha\Delta x_3 + \alpha^2\Delta x^c, s + \alpha\Delta s_3 + \alpha^2\Delta s^c \rangle / r = \mu(\alpha). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(\alpha) &= s(\alpha) - \mathcal{A}(x(\alpha)) - q = (s + \alpha\Delta s_3 + \alpha^2\Delta s^c) - \mathcal{A}(x + \alpha\Delta x_3 + \alpha^2\Delta x^c) - q \\ &= (1 - \delta\alpha)\rho. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

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### Algorithm 1

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**Inputs:**

Accuracy parameter  $\varepsilon > 0$ ;  
 neighborhood parameters  $0 < \beta \leq 1/2$  and  $0 < \tau \leq 1/4$ ;  
 the initial solution  $(x^0, s^0) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$  with  $\mu^0 = \langle x^0, s^0 \rangle / r$ .

0. Set  $k := 0$  and  $\chi^k = 1$ .
  1. If  $\chi^k \leq \varepsilon$ , then stop; otherwise, Choose a scaling element  $u \in \mathcal{C}(x^k, s^k)$  and go to Step 2.
  2. Compute the direction  $(\Delta \tilde{x}_1^k, \Delta \tilde{s}_1^k)$  by (8) and  $(\Delta \tilde{x}_2^k, \Delta \tilde{s}_2^k)$  by (9).
  3. Compute the maximum size  $\delta^k$ , that keeps (10), and calculate the direction  $(\Delta \tilde{x}_3^k, \Delta \tilde{s}_3^k)$  by (11).
  4. Compute the direction  $(\Delta \tilde{x}^{c^k}, \Delta \tilde{s}^{c^k})$  by (12).
  5. Find  $\bar{\alpha}^k \in [0, 1]$  such that for all  $\alpha_1^k \in [0, \bar{\alpha}^k]$ ,  $\mu(\bar{\alpha}^k) \leq \mu(\alpha_1^k)$ .
  6. Find  $\hat{\alpha}^k \in [0, \bar{\alpha}^k]$  such that for all  $\alpha_2^k \in [0, \hat{\alpha}^k]$ ,  $(\hat{x}(\alpha_2^k), \hat{s}(\alpha_2^k)) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ .
  7. Let  $(x^{k+1}, s^{k+1}) := (Q(u^{-1})\tilde{x}(\hat{\alpha}^k), Q(u)\tilde{s}(\hat{\alpha}^k))$  and  $\mu^{k+1} := \langle x^{k+1}, s^{k+1} \rangle / r$ . Set  $\phi^{k+1} = \mu^{k+1} / \mu^k$ ,  $\chi^{k+1} = \max \left\{ \prod_{i=0}^{k+1} \phi^i, \prod_{i=0}^k (1 - \delta^i \hat{\alpha}^i) \right\}$ ,  $k := k + 1$  and go to Step 1.
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**Figure 1.** The infeasible-interior-point predictor-corrector algorithm for the Cartesian  $P_{*(\kappa)}$ -SCLCP.

Moreover, we have

$$\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha) = T(\alpha) + \Delta \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta \tilde{s}(\alpha), \tag{16}$$

where,

$$\begin{aligned} T(\alpha) &= \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s} + \alpha \left[ (\tau \mu \varepsilon - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^- + \sqrt{r} (\tau \mu \varepsilon - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+ \right], \\ \Delta \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta \tilde{s}(\alpha) &= \alpha^3 (\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}^c + \Delta \tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{x}^c) + \alpha^4 (\Delta \tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta \tilde{s}^c). \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

A more formal description of the predictor-corrector algorithm for the Cartesian  $P_{*(\kappa)}$ -SCLCP is given in Figure 1.

The following remark is readily verified for Algorithm 1.

**Remark 2:** Let  $\{(x^k, s^k)\}$  be generated by Algorithm 1. Then for  $k \geq 0$ , we have

$$s^{k+1} - \mathcal{A}(x^{k+1}) - q = \varphi^{k+1} (s^0 - \mathcal{A}(x^0) - q),$$

where  $\varphi^0 = 1$  and  $\varphi^{k+1} = (1 - \delta^k \hat{\alpha}^k) \varphi^k = \prod_{i=0}^k (1 - \delta^i \hat{\alpha}^i) \in [0, 1]$ .

From Remark 2, we have

$$\varphi^k = \frac{\|s^k - \mathcal{A}(x^k) - q\|}{\|s^0 - \mathcal{A}(x^0) - q\|}.$$

Here  $\varphi^k$  represents the relative infeasibility at  $(x^k, s^k)$ .

#### 4. Complexity analysis

In this section, we mainly characterize the polynomial complexity of Algorithm 1. In order to achieve the complexity, we list some technical results.

**Lemma 4.1 (Lemma 33 in [4]):** Let  $v_1, v_2 \in \mathcal{J}$  and  $G$  be a positive definite matrix which is symmetric with respect to the scalar product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|v_1\| \|v_2\| &\leq \sqrt{\text{cond}(G)} \|G^{-1/2}v_1\| \|G^{1/2}v_2\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)} \left( \|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2 \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\text{cond}(G) = \lambda_{\max}(G)/\lambda_{\min}(G)$  is the condition number of  $G$ .

As the results of Lemma 36 in [4], we present a bound on the condition number of  $G$  for some specific search directions in the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.2:** For the NT search direction,  $\text{cond}(G) = 1$ . For the  $xs$  and  $sx$  directions,  $\text{cond}(G) \leq r/(1 - \beta)\tau$ .

**Lemma 4.3:** Suppose  $x, s, a \in \mathcal{J}$  with  $(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ ,  $L(x)L(s) = L(s)L(x)$ ,  $G = L(s)^{-1}L(x)$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  has Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$  property. Then the solution  $(v_1, v_2)$  of the following linear system

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(v_1) - v_2 &= 0, \\ L(s)v_1 + L(x)v_2 &= a, \end{aligned}$$

satisfies the following inequality:

$$\|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2 \leq (1 + 2\kappa) \|\bar{a}\|^2,$$

where  $\bar{a} = (L(x)L(s))^{-1/2} a$ .

**Proof:** In the same way as the proof of Lemma 4.2 in [18], we obtain the result.  $\square$

Before dealing with the analysis of the algorithm, we recall the following lemma from [21] that will be needed.

**Lemma 4.4:** Let  $x, s, a, b \in \mathcal{J}$  with  $(x, s) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K} \times \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ ,  $L(x)L(s) = L(s)L(x)$ ,  $G = L(s)^{-1}L(x)$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  has Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$  property. Then the solution  $(v_1, v_2)$  of the following linear system

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(v_1) - v_2 &= b, \\ L(s)v_1 + L(x)v_2 &= a, \end{aligned} \tag{18}$$

satisfies the following inequality:

$$\|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2 \leq (1 + 2\kappa) (\|\bar{a}\| + 3\zeta)^2,$$

where  $\zeta^2 = \inf \left\{ \|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2 : \mathcal{A}(v_1) - v_2 = b \right\}$ .

**Proof:** By multiplying (18) by  $(L(x)L(s))^{-1/2}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(v_1) - v_2 &= b, \\ G^{-1/2}v_1 + G^{1/2}v_2 &= \bar{a}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $(\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2) \in \mathcal{J} \times \mathcal{J}$  satisfy equation  $\mathcal{A}(\bar{v}_1) - \bar{v}_2 = b$ . Hence one has

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(v_1 - \bar{v}_1) - (v_2 - \bar{v}_2) &= 0, \\ G^{-1/2}(v_1 - \bar{v}_1) + G^{1/2}(v_2 - \bar{v}_2) &= \bar{a} - (G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1 + G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2). \end{aligned} \tag{19}$$

Using (19) and Lemma 4.3, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}(v_1 - \bar{v}_1)\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}(v_2 - \bar{v}_2)\|^2} \\ &\leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} \|\bar{a} - (G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1 + G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2)\| \leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} (\|\bar{a}\| + \|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1 + G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|) \\ &\leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} \left( \|\bar{a}\| + \sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|^2} + 2\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\| \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\| \right) \\ &\leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} \left( \|\bar{a}\| + \sqrt{2}\sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|^2} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

On the other hand, by (20), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2} \\ &\leq \sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}(v_1 - \bar{v}_1)\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}(v_2 - \bar{v}_2)\|^2} + \sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|^2} \\ &\leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} \|\bar{a}\| + (1 + \sqrt{2 + 4\kappa}) \sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|^2} \\ &\leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} \left( \|\bar{a}\| + 3\sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}\bar{v}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\bar{v}_2\|^2} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Therefore, by (21), we have

$$\sqrt{\|G^{-1/2}v_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}v_2\|^2} \leq \sqrt{1 + 2\kappa} (\|\bar{a}\| + 3\zeta),$$

which completes the proof. □

Since the proof techniques of the following lemma are the same as in Lemma 4.6 in [21], we will only present it without proof.

**Lemma 4.5:** *Let  $G = L(\tilde{s})^{-1}L(\tilde{x})$ ,  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s})$  and  $(\Delta\tilde{x}_1, \Delta\tilde{s}_1)$  generated by Algorithm 1. Then we have*

$$\inf \left\{ \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1\|^2 : \tilde{\mathcal{A}}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1) - \Delta\tilde{s}_1 = \tilde{\rho} \right\} \leq 4(1 + 4\kappa)^2 \frac{r^2\mu}{(1 - \beta)\tau}.$$

**Lemma 4.6 (Lemma 5.2 in [15]):** *Let  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s}) \in \mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ . Then*

$$\text{Tr}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+ \leq \sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu.$$

**Lemma 4.7 (Lemma 5.3 in [15]):** *Let  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s})$  generated by Algorithm 1. Then, we have*

$$\|(L(\tilde{x})L(\tilde{s}))^{-1/2} [(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^- + \sqrt{r}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+]\|^2 \leq (1 + \beta\tau)r\mu.$$

**Lemma 4.8:** *Let  $G = L(\tilde{s})^{-1}L(\tilde{x})$ ,  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{s})$  and  $(\Delta\tilde{x}_1, \Delta\tilde{s}_1)$  generated by Algorithm 1. Then, there exists a constant  $\omega \geq 12$ , such that*

$$\|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1\|^2 \leq \omega^2(1 + 2\kappa)^3 r^2\mu.$$



**Proof:** Applying Lemma 4.4 to the system (8), Lemmas 4.5 and 4.7, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1\|^2 &\leq (1+2\kappa) \left( \sqrt{(1+\beta\tau)\mu}r + 6(1+4\kappa)r\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{(1-\beta)\tau}} \right)^2 \\ &\leq (1+2\kappa)(1+6(1+4\kappa))^2\eta^2r^2\mu \leq (1+2\kappa)(12(1+2\kappa))^2\eta^2r^2\mu, \end{aligned}$$

where,  $\eta = \max \left\{ \sqrt{(1+\beta\tau)}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{(1-\beta)\tau}} \right\} \geq 1$ . By  $\omega := 12\eta$ , the proof is completed.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.9:** Let  $G = L(\tilde{s})^{-1}L(\tilde{x})$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1) : & \left| \text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1) \right| \leq \frac{1}{2}\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^3r^2\mu, \\ (2) : & \left| \text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_2 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2) \right| \leq \frac{1}{2}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu, \\ (3) : & \left| \text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2) \right| \leq \omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2r^{3/2}\mu, \\ (4) : & \left| \text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_2 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1) \right| \leq \omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2r^{3/2}\mu. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** Using Lemma 4.8, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1)| &= |\text{Tr}((G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1) \circ (G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1))| \\ &\leq \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\| \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_1\|^2 \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^3r^2\mu, \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

which implies the first part of the lemma. From Lemmas 4.3 and 4.7, we have

$$\|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_2\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_2\|^2 \leq (1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu. \quad (23)$$

Similar to the proof of (22) and using (23), we can obtain the second part.

By Lemma 4.8 and (23), we derive

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2)| &= |\text{Tr}((G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1) \circ (G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_2))| \\ &\leq \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_1\| \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_2\| \leq \omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2r^{3/2}\mu, \end{aligned}$$

which implies the third part. Similarly, we also obtain

$$|\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_2 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1)| \leq \omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2r^{3/2}\mu,$$

which follows the forth part. The proof is completed.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.10:** Let  $G = L(\tilde{s})^{-1}L(\tilde{x})$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} (a) : & \|G^{-1/2}\Delta\tilde{x}_3\|^2 + \|G^{1/2}\Delta\tilde{s}_3\|^2 \leq \frac{11}{5}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu, \\ (b) : & \|\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c\| \leq \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))^{3/2}(1+2\kappa)^3(1+\beta\tau)^2r^2\mu}{200(1-\beta)\tau}, \\ (c) : & |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| \leq \frac{121(1+2\kappa)^3\text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^2r^2\mu}{200(1-\beta)\tau}, \\ (d) : & |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| \leq \frac{9\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)(1+2\kappa)^2(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{3/2}\mu}}{5\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}}, \\ (e) : & |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c)| \leq \frac{9\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)(1+2\kappa)^2(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{3/2}\mu}}{5\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}}. \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** Using Lemma 4.7 and (10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}_3\|^2 + \|G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}_3\|^2 &= \|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}_3 + G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}_3\|^2 - 2\text{Tr}(\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}_3) \\ &\leq (1 + \beta\tau)r\mu + \frac{6}{5}(1 + 2\kappa)(1 + \beta\tau)r\mu \leq \frac{11}{5}(1 + 2\kappa)(1 + \beta\tau)r\mu, \end{aligned}$$

which follows the inequality (a). From the first part and Lemma 4.1, we derive

$$\|\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}_3\| \leq \frac{11}{10} \sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + 2\kappa)(1 + \beta\tau)r\mu.$$

In the same way as the proof of Lemma 2 in [27], from Lemma 4.3 and the previous inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}^c\|^2 + \|G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}^c\|^2 &\leq (1 + 2\kappa) \|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}^c + G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}^c\|^2 \\ &= (1 + 2\kappa) \left\| (L(\tilde{x})L(\tilde{s}))^{-1/2} (-\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}_3) \right\|^2 \leq \frac{(1 + 2\kappa)}{(1 - \beta)\tau\mu} \|\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}_3\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{121(1 + 2\kappa)^3 \text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^2 r^2 \mu}{100(1 - \beta)\tau}. \end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

Using Lemma 4.1 in (24), the inequality (b) is obtained.

Since  $|\text{Tr}(\Delta \tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta \tilde{s}^c)| \leq \frac{1}{2} (\|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}^c\|^2 + \|G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}^c\|^2)$ , it follows that

$$|\text{Tr}(\Delta \tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta \tilde{s}^c)| \leq \frac{121(1 + 2\kappa)^3 \text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^2 r^2 \mu}{200(1 - \beta)\tau}.$$

Using (a) and (24), it readily follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{Tr}(\Delta \tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{s}^c)| &= |\text{Tr}((G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}_3) \circ (G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}^c))| \\ &\leq \|G^{-1/2} \Delta \tilde{x}_3\| \|G^{1/2} \Delta \tilde{s}^c\| \leq \frac{9\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + 2\kappa)^2(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{3/2} \mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$|\text{Tr}(\Delta \tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta \tilde{x}^c)| \leq \frac{9\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + 2\kappa)^2(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{3/2} \mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}}.$$

This completes the proof. □

From (24), Lemmas 4.1 and 4.10, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta \tilde{x}_3\| \|\Delta \tilde{s}^c\| &\leq \frac{9(1 + 2\kappa)^2 \text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{3/2} \mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}}, \\ \|\Delta \tilde{s}_3\| \|\Delta \tilde{x}^c\| &\leq \frac{9(1 + 2\kappa)^2 \text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{3/2} \mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}}. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

**Lemma 4.11:** *The maximum size  $\delta$ , that keeps (10), satisfies*

$$\delta \geq \frac{1}{25\omega(1 + 2\kappa)r^{1/2}} := \delta_0.$$

**Proof:** Using Lemma 4.9, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_3) + \frac{3}{5}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu = \delta^2 \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_1) + (1-\delta)^2 \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_2 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2) \\
& \quad + \delta(1-\delta) \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}_2 + \Delta\tilde{s}_1 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}_2) + \frac{3}{5}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu \\
& \geq \delta^2 \left( -\frac{1}{2}\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^3 r^2 \mu \right) + (1-\delta)^2 \left( -\frac{1}{2}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu \right) \\
& \quad + \delta(1-\delta) \left( -2\omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2 r^{3/2} \mu \right) + \frac{3}{5}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu \\
& \geq \delta^2 \left( -\frac{1}{2}\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^3 r^2 \mu \right) - \frac{1}{2}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu \\
& \quad - 2\delta\omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)^2 r^{3/2} \mu + \frac{3}{5}(1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)r\mu \\
& = -(1+2\kappa)r\mu \left[ \frac{1}{2}\delta^2\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^2 r + 2\delta\omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)r^{1/2} - \frac{1}{10}(1+\beta\tau) \right] \\
& := -(1+2\kappa)r\mu f(\delta).
\end{aligned}$$

In order to find a lower bound for  $\delta$  satisfying (10), it suffices to obtain  $\delta$  such that  $f(\delta) \leq 0$ . The quadratic equation  $f(\delta) = 0$  has a unique positive root

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\delta} &= \frac{-2\omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)r^{1/2} + \sqrt{\frac{21}{5}\omega\sqrt{1+\beta\tau}(1+2\kappa)r^{1/2}}}{\omega^2(1+2\kappa)^2 r} \\
&\geq \frac{1}{25\omega(1+2\kappa)r^{1/2}},
\end{aligned}$$

which follows the desired result. □

From (16), it is obvious that

$$\tilde{\mu}(\alpha) = \mu(\alpha) = \mu + \alpha \left[ (\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+ \right] + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta\tilde{s}(\alpha)). \quad (26)$$

**Lemma 4.12:** Let  $\beta \leq 1/2$  and  $\tau \leq 1/4$ . Then the maximum step size  $\alpha$  such that  $\mu(\alpha)$  decreases in  $[0, \alpha]$ , satisfies

$$\alpha \geq \frac{((1-\beta)\tau)^{1/3} \sqrt{1-\beta\tau-\tau}}{5(\text{cond}(G))^{1/3} (1+2\kappa)(1+\beta\tau)^{3/4} r^{1/3}} := \bar{\alpha}_0.$$

**Proof:** From (17), (26) and Lemma 4.6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu'(\alpha) &= (\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+ + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{Tr}'(\Delta\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta\tilde{s}(\alpha)) \\
&\leq \tau\mu - \mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu + \frac{3\alpha^2}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c + \Delta\tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c) + \frac{4\alpha^3}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c) \\
&\leq (\tau + \beta\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{3\alpha^2}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c + \Delta\tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c) + \frac{4\alpha^3}{r} \mathbf{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c) \\
&\leq \left[ (\tau + \beta\tau - 1) + \alpha^2 \frac{54\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1+2\kappa)^2(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{1/2}}{5\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \alpha^3 \frac{121(1+2\kappa)^3 \text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^2 r}{50(1-\beta)\tau} \right] \mu, \tag{27}
\end{aligned}$$

where the third inequality follows from Lemma 4.10. Let  $f_1(\alpha)$  be defined as follows:

$$f_1(\alpha) := (\tau + \beta\tau - 1) + \alpha^2 \frac{54\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + 2\kappa)^2(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{1/2}}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}} + \alpha^3 \frac{121(1 + 2\kappa)^3\text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^2r}{50(1 - \beta)\tau}.$$

Therefore,

$$f_1(\bar{\alpha}_0) = (\tau + \beta\tau - 1) + \frac{54((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/6}(1 - \beta\tau - \tau)}{125(\text{cond}(G))^{1/6}r^{1/6}} + \frac{121(1 - \beta\tau - \tau)^{3/2}}{6250(1 + \beta\tau)^{1/4}} \leq 0,$$

which implies that for all  $\alpha \in [0, \bar{\alpha}_0]$ ,  $\mu'(\alpha) \leq 0$ . This completes the proof. □

In the following, we give a sufficient condition to keep all the iterates in the neighbourhood  $\mathcal{N}(\tau, \beta)$ . In order to keep the iterates in this neighbourhood, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 4.13:** *Let  $0 < \mu(\alpha)$  decreases in  $[0, \alpha]$ . Then we have*

$$\begin{cases} \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - T(\alpha))^+ \right\| \leq (1 - \alpha\sqrt{r})\beta\tau\mu(\alpha) & \text{if } \alpha < 1/\sqrt{r}, \\ \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - T(\alpha))^+ \right\| = 0 & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1/\sqrt{r}. \end{cases}$$

**Proof:** The proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 5.8 in [15], therefore it is omitted. □

**Lemma 4.14:** *Let  $\beta \leq 1/2$ ,  $\tau \leq 1/4$  and  $\hat{\alpha}$  be as defined in Step 6 of Algorithm 1. Then*

$$\hat{\alpha} \geq \frac{\sqrt{\beta\tau}((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/3}}{5(1 + 2\kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2}} := \hat{\alpha}_0.$$

**Proof:** If  $\hat{\alpha} \geq 1/\sqrt{r}$ , then we have  $\hat{\alpha} \geq \hat{\alpha}_0$ , which follows the lemma. Thus, we will restrict ourselves to the case where  $\hat{\alpha} < 1/\sqrt{r}$ .

Using (17), (25), Lemmas 2.6, 4.10 and 4.13, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha))^+ \right\| &\leq \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - T(\alpha))^+ \right\| + \left\| (\Delta\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta\tilde{s}(\alpha))^- \right\| \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha\sqrt{r})\beta\tau\mu(\alpha) + \alpha^3 \frac{18(1 + 2\kappa)^2\text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{3/2}\mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}} \\ &\quad + \alpha^4 \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))^{3/2}(1 + 2\kappa)^3(1 + \beta\tau)^2r^2\mu}{200(1 - \beta)\tau}. \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Using (26) and Lemma 4.10, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\alpha) &\geq \mu + \alpha(\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{1}{r}\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \Delta\tilde{s}(\alpha)) \\ &\geq \mu + \alpha(\tau - 1)\mu - \frac{\alpha^3}{r}(|\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| + |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c)|) - \frac{\alpha^4}{r}|\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| \\ &\geq [1 + \alpha(\tau - 1)]\mu - \alpha^3 \frac{18(1 + 2\kappa)^2\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{1/2}\mu}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}} \\ &\quad - \alpha^4 \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))(1 + 2\kappa)^3(1 + \beta\tau)^2r\mu}{200(1 - \beta)\tau}. \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

From (28) and (29), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha))^+ \right\| - \beta\tau\mu(\alpha) \leq \alpha^3 \frac{18(1+2\kappa)^2 \text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{3/2} \mu}{5\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}} \\
& \quad + \alpha^4 \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))^{3/2}(1+2\kappa)^3(1+\beta\tau)^2 r^2 \mu}{200(1-\beta)\tau} - \alpha\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu(\alpha) \\
& \leq \alpha\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu \left( \alpha^2 \frac{18(1+2\kappa)^2 \text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2} r}{5\beta\tau\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}} \right. \\
& \quad + \alpha^3 \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))^{3/2}(1+2\kappa)^3(1+\beta\tau)^2 r^{3/2}}{200\beta\tau(1-\beta)\tau} \\
& \quad + \alpha^3 \frac{18(1+2\kappa)^2 \sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)^{3/2} r^{1/2}}{5\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}} \\
& \quad \left. + \alpha^4 \frac{121(\text{cond}(G))(1+2\kappa)^3(1+\beta\tau)^2 r}{200(1-\beta)\tau} + \alpha(1-\tau) - 1 \right) := \alpha\sqrt{r}\beta\tau\mu f_2(\alpha). \quad (30)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, it is easily concluded that

$$\begin{aligned}
f_2(\hat{\alpha}_0) &= \frac{18((1-\beta)\tau)^{1/6}}{125} + \frac{121\sqrt{\beta\tau}}{25000(1+\beta\tau)^{1/4}} \\
& \quad + \frac{18(\beta\tau)^{3/2}\sqrt{(1-\beta)\tau}}{625(1+2\kappa)\text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)^{3/4}r} + \frac{121(\beta\tau)^2((1-\beta)\tau)^{1/3}}{125000(1+2\kappa)\text{cond}(G)(1+\beta\tau)r} \\
& \quad + \frac{\sqrt{\beta\tau}((1-\beta)\tau)^{1/3}(1-\tau)}{5(1+2\kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1+\beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2}} - 1 \leq 0. \quad (31)
\end{aligned}$$

From (30) and (31), we have for all  $\alpha \in [0, \hat{\alpha}^0]$ ,

$$\left\| (\tau\mu(\alpha)e - \tilde{x}(\alpha) \circ \tilde{s}(\alpha))^+ \right\| \leq \beta\tau\mu(\alpha).$$

Then, by Lemma 2.5, we have  $\det(\tilde{x}(\alpha)) \neq 0$  and  $\det(\tilde{s}(\alpha)) \neq 0$  for all  $\alpha \in [0, \hat{\alpha}^0]$ . Since  $\det(\tilde{x}(0)) = \det(\tilde{x}) > 0$  and  $\det(\tilde{s}(0)) = \det(\tilde{s}) > 0$ , by continuity, it follows that in this interval  $\tilde{x}(\alpha) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$  and  $\tilde{s}(\alpha) \in \text{int } \mathcal{K}$ . On the other hand, since  $\beta \leq 1/2$  and  $\tau \leq 1/4$ , we have  $\hat{\alpha}_0 \leq \bar{\alpha}_0$ . This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

#### 4.1. Polynomial complexity

In this subsection, we present the polynomial complexity for Algorithm 1.

**Theorem 4.15:** *The Algorithm 1 terminates in*

$$O\left(\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1+\kappa)^2 r \log \varepsilon^{-1}\right)$$

iterations with  $(x^k, s^k)$  such that  $\|s^k - \mathcal{A}(x^k) - q\| \leq \varepsilon \|s^0 - \mathcal{A}(x^0) - q\|$  and  $\langle x^k, s^k \rangle \leq \varepsilon \langle x^0, s^0 \rangle$ .

**Proof:** In the same way as the proof of (27), using Lemmas 4.10 and 4.12, we can easily verify that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu(\hat{\alpha}) &\leq \mu(\hat{\alpha}_0) \\
 &= \mu + \hat{\alpha}_0 \left[ (\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \text{Tr}((\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+) \right] + \frac{1}{r} \text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}(\hat{\alpha}_0) \circ \Delta\tilde{s}(\hat{\alpha}_0)) \\
 &\leq \mu + \hat{\alpha}_0 \left[ (\tau - 1)\mu + \frac{\sqrt{r} - 1}{r} \text{Tr}((\tau\mu e - \tilde{x} \circ \tilde{s})^+) \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{\hat{\alpha}_0^3}{r} (|\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| + |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{s}_3 \circ \Delta\tilde{x}^c)|) + \frac{\hat{\alpha}_0^4}{r} |\text{Tr}(\Delta\tilde{x}^c \circ \Delta\tilde{s}^c)| \\
 &\leq \left[ 1 - \hat{\alpha}_0(1 - \tau - \beta\tau - \hat{\alpha}_0^2 \frac{18\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + 2\kappa)^2(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/2}r^{1/2}}{5\sqrt{(1 - \beta)\tau}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \hat{\alpha}_0^3 \frac{121(1 + 2\kappa)^3 \text{cond}(G)(1 + \beta\tau)^2 r}{200(1 - \beta)\tau} \right] \mu. \tag{32}
 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting  $\hat{\alpha}_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\beta\tau}(1 - \beta)\tau^{1/3}}{5(1 + 2\kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2}}$  into (32), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mu(\hat{\alpha}) &\leq \left[ 1 - \hat{\alpha}_0 \left( 1 - \tau - \beta\tau - \frac{18(\beta\tau)((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/6}}{125\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}r^{1/2}} - \frac{121(\beta\tau)^{3/2}}{25000\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{1/4}r^{1/2}} \right) \right] \mu \\
 &\leq \left[ 1 - \hat{\alpha}_0 \left( 1 - \tau - \beta\tau - \frac{18}{125} - \frac{121}{25000} \right) \right] \mu \leq \left[ 1 - \hat{\alpha}_0 \left( \frac{21279}{25000} - \tau - \beta\tau \right) \right] \mu \\
 &\leq \left[ 1 - \frac{\theta\sqrt{\beta\tau}((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/3}}{10(1 + \kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2}} \right] \mu,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta = (\frac{21279}{25000} - \tau - \beta\tau)$ .

Thus, the inequality  $\mu(\hat{\alpha}) \leq \varepsilon\mu^0$  holds if

$$\left( 1 - \frac{\theta\sqrt{\beta\tau}((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/3}}{10(1 + \kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2}} \right)^k \leq \varepsilon\mu^0. \tag{33}$$

It is easy to verify that if  $k \geq \frac{10(1 + \kappa)\sqrt{\text{cond}(G)}(1 + \beta\tau)^{3/4}r^{1/2} \log \varepsilon^{-1}}{\theta\sqrt{\beta\tau}((1 - \beta)\tau)^{1/3}}$ , then (33) holds.

Let  $\delta_0 = \frac{1}{25\omega(1 + 2\kappa)r^{1/2}}$ , from Remark 2, we have

$$\varphi^k = \frac{\|s^k - \mathcal{A}(x^k) - q\|}{\|s^0 - \mathcal{A}(x^0) - q\|} = \prod_{i=0}^k (1 - \delta^i \hat{\alpha}^i) \leq (1 - \delta_0 \hat{\alpha}_0)^k,$$

which implies that  $\varphi^k \leq \varepsilon$  when  $k \geq \frac{\log \varepsilon^{-1}}{\delta_0 \hat{\alpha}_0}$ .

The desired result immediately follows from the above inequality. □

To obtain complexity of the algorithm for the NT search direction and the  $xs$  and  $sx$  search directions, we use Theorem 4.15 and Lemma 4.2.

**Corollary 4.16:** *If the NT search direction is used, the iteration complexity of Algorithm 1 is  $O((1 + \kappa)^2 r \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ . If the  $xs$  and  $sx$  search directions are used, the iteration complexities of Algorithm 1 are  $O((1 + \kappa)^2 r^{3/2} \log \varepsilon^{-1})$ .*

## 5. Concluding remarks

In this paper, we have presented and analysed a predictor-corrector infeasible-IPM based on a wide neighbourhood for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. Using the theory of Euclidean Jordan algebras and some elegant tools, we proved the convergence of the algorithm for a commutative class of search directions that coincides with the currently best-known theoretical complexity bounds for infeasible-IPMs for the Cartesian  $P_*(\kappa)$ -SCLCP. Compared with the results in [19,21], the complexity bound is reduced by a factor of  $r$ .

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