

A NEW PATH-FOLLOWING INTERIOR-POINT ALGORITHM FOR MONOTONE SEMIDEFINITE LINEAR COMPLEMENTARITY PROBLEMS*

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Abstract. We present a new path-following interior-point algorithm for a special format of monotone semidefinite linear complementarity problems. The search direction of algorithm is based on a mapping of the central path to v -space in term of a univariate function. The full-Newton step is used for each iteration. The quadratic convergence is obtained. Furthermore, the complexity bound of algorithm is derived for small-update methods. It is as good as that for linear case. The analysis used in this paper is more straightforward.

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1 Introduction

In this paper, we consider the following special format of monotone semidefinite linear complementarity problems (SDLCPs) of finding a pair (X, S) such that

$$S = MX + XM + Q, \quad (X, S) \in (S_+^n, S_+^n), \quad X \bullet S = 0, \quad (1)$$

where $M \in S_{++}^n$ and $Q \in S^n$.

SDLCPs were introduced by Kojima, Shindoh, and Hara [11] as a model unifying various problems arising from system and control theory and combinatorial optimization. Monotone SDLCPs can be regarded as a generalization of the (standard) linear complementarity problems (LCPs) [5, 7]. It includes semidefinite optimization (SDO) [12]. Recently, much emphasis is put on

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