Some Fundamental Properties of Successive Convex Relaxation Methods on LCP and Related Problems

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Abstract General Successive Convex Relaxation Methods (SCRMs) can be used to compute the convex hull of any compact set, in an Euclidean space, described by a system of quadratic inequalities and a compact convex set. Linear Complementarity Problems (LCPs) make an interesting and rich class of structured nonconvex optimization problems. In this paper, we study a few of the specialized lift-and-project methods and some of the possible ways of applying the general SCRMts to LCPs and related problems.

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