Gibonacci Optimization

— duality —

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Abstract

We show that a parametric linear system of equations plays a fundamental part in establishing a mutual relation between minimization problem (primal) and maximization problem (dual). The system is of 2n-equation on 2n-variable, called zero-minimum condition. It yields a couple of second-order finite (n-) linear difference equation on n-variable, which constitute the respective optimal conditions. The respective equations have a minimum solution for primal and a maximum one for dual. Both the optimal solutions are expressed in terms of Gibonacci sequence, which is a parametric generalization of the Fibonacci one. Either solution is characterized by the backward Gibonacci sequence and its complementary – Hibonacci sequence –.

1 Introduction

Recenly a new duality for quadratic optimization has been extensively developed by Iwamoto, Kimura, Fujita and Kira [12–25]. They have given several kinds of duality through some methods. These supply related dualities and associated dual problems for the classical optimization problems by Bellman and others [1–7,26], [9,11,28,29]. The duality and its approach are characterized by — Fibonacci [8,10,27,30] and complementarity —, respectively.

This paper enhances the Fibonacci duality through a parametric linear system of equations. The Fibonacci duality is expanded to *Gibonacci* one. The complementarity is replaced by a pair of linear equations — an equality condition —. This is called a *zero-minimum condition* for a 2*n*-variable parametric minimization problem.

Section 2 gives a 2n-variable parametric minimization problem, where a parameter λ ranges over $(0, \infty)$. The objective function turns out to be nonnegative. It attains zero iff a linear system of 2n-equations on 2n-variables has a solution. Section 3 presents a pair of λ -parametric minimization problem and λ -parametric maximization problem for $\lambda > 0$. Section 4 discusses a new duality — Gibonacci duality — . This covers Fibonacci duality. The principal idear is based upon the complementarity.

2 Complementary approach

This section specifies a 2n-variable minimization problem. Throughout the section, let $c \in \mathbb{R}^1$ and $\lambda > 0$ be given constants.

An original problem is a 2n-variable (x, μ) with a parameter λ and a fixed initial value $x_0 = c$:

minimize
$$-2\lambda x_0 \mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_k(\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right]$$

$$+ (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_n\mu_n$$
subject to (i) $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x_0 = c$, (ii) $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Let us define the objective function by $h: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^1$

$$h(x,\mu) = -2\lambda c\mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_k(\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_n\mu_n.$$

We have an evaluation as follows.

Lemma 1 Let (x, μ) be feasible. Then it holds that

$$h(x,\mu) \ge 0. \tag{1}$$

The sign of equality holds iff

$$c - x_1 = \lambda \mu_1, \quad x_1 = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$
(Zm)
$$x_{k-1} - x_k = \lambda \mu_k, \quad x_k = \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} \qquad 2 \le k \le n - 1$$

$$x_{n-1} - x_n = \lambda \mu_n, \quad x_n = \mu_n$$

holds.

This is a linear system of 2n-equation on 2n-variable (x, μ) . We call (Zm) a zero-minimum condition.

Proof. First we present an identity, which plays a fundamental role in analyzing the pair. Let $x = \{x_k\}^n$, $\mu = \{\mu_k\}_1^n$ be any two sequences of real number with $x_0 = c$. Then an identity

(C)
$$c\mu_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} [(x_{k-1} - x_k)\mu_k + x_k(\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)\mu_n + x_n\mu_n$$

holds true. This identity is called *complementary*. The complementary identity implies that

$$-2\lambda x_0 \mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)\lambda x_k (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)\lambda x_n \mu_n$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k - \lambda \mu_k)^2 + (x_k - \mu_k + \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n - \lambda \mu_n)^2 + (x_n - \mu_n)^2.$$

This is an identity on $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$, which is called *quadratic*. Hence we have an inequality

$$h(x,\mu) \geq 0.$$

The sign of equality holds iff (Zm) holds. Thus the inequality (2) with zero-minimum condition is shown. \Box

The objective function is also expressed as follows.

Lemma 2 Let (x, μ) be feasible. Then it holds that

$$h(x,\mu) = -2c\mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(1 - \lambda)(x_{k-1} - x_k)\mu_k \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(1 - \lambda)(x_{n-1} - x_n)\mu_n.$$

Lemma 3 Let

$$\gamma := 2 + \lambda, \quad \xi := 1 + \lambda \quad (\lambda \neq 0).$$

Then the zero-minimum condition (Zm) yields a pair of linear systems of n-equation on n-variable:

Case n=1

$$(EQ) c = \xi x_1 c = \xi \mu_1.$$

Case n=2

(EQ)
$$c = \gamma x_1 - x_2$$
 $c = \xi \mu_1 - \mu_2$
 $x_1 = \xi x_2$ $\mu_1 = \gamma \mu_2$.

Case $n \geq 3$

(EQ)
$$c = \gamma x_1 - x_2 \qquad c = \xi \mu_1 - \mu_2$$
$$x_{k-1} = \gamma x_k - x_{k+1} \qquad \mu_{k-1} = \gamma \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} \qquad 2 \le k \le n-1$$
$$x_{n-1} = \xi x_n \qquad \qquad \mu_{n-1} = \gamma \mu_n.$$

Conversely the pair (EQ) yields (Zm) under the condition that either system has a unique solution. This condition is assured by the nonsingularity of the relevant $n \times n$ martices A_n , B_n i.e., ¹

$$|A_n| \neq 0, \ |B_n| \neq 0.$$

The pair (EQ) is divided into two linear systems:

$$(EQ_x) \qquad x_{k-1} = \gamma x_k - x_{k+1} \qquad 1 \le k \le n-1$$
$$x_{n-1} = \xi x_n$$

and

$$c = \xi \mu_1 - \mu_2$$
(EQ_{\mu}) $\mu_{k-1} = \gamma \mu_k - \mu_{k+1}$ $2 \le k \le n-1$

$$\mu_{n-1} = \gamma \mu_n$$

Now we have the ojective function

$$h(x,\mu) = -2\lambda x_0 \mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_k(\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_n\mu_n \quad (x_0 = c).$$

A triple zero property holds as follows.

Lemma 4 Let a feasible (x, μ) satisfy (Zm_n) . Then it holds that

$$h(x, \mu)$$

$$= -c(c - x_1) + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right]$$
(tZ)
$$= -\lambda c \mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] + (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2$$

$$= 0.$$

¹It holds that $|A_n| = |B_n|$.

3 Case $\lambda > 0$

Consider the Case $\lambda > 0$. We define

$$\gamma := 2 + \lambda \, (> 2), \ \xi := 1 + \lambda \, (> 1).$$

Now let us solve a pair of linear systems of (finite) difference equations

$$c = x_0$$

$$(EQ_x) x_{k-1} = \gamma x_k - x_{k+1} 1 \le k \le n-1$$

$$x_{n-1} = \xi x_n$$

and

$$c = \xi \mu_1 - \mu_2$$

$$(EQ_{\mu}) \qquad \mu_{k-1} = \gamma \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} \qquad 2 \le k \le n-1$$

$$\mu_{n-1} = \gamma \mu_n.$$

We consider a second-order linear difference equation

$$x_{n+2} - \gamma x_{n+1} + x_n = 0, \quad x_0 = 0, \ x_1 = 1.$$
 (2)

Lemma 5 The equation (2) has a unique solution

$$x_n = \frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n}{\beta - \alpha} \tag{3}$$

where $\alpha(<)\beta$ are the two positive solution

$$\alpha = \frac{\gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4}}{2} \tag{4}$$

to the characteristic equation

$$t^2 - \gamma t + 1 = 0. (5)$$

We note that

$$\alpha + \beta = \gamma, \quad \alpha\beta = 1$$
$$0 < \alpha < 1 < \beta < \infty.$$

Definition 1 Let us define the sequence $\{G_n\}$ by

$$G_n = \frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n}{\beta - \alpha}.$$
(6)

We call $\{G_n\}$ a two-step Gibonacci sequence. The reason is that $G_n = F_{2n}$ for $\gamma = 3$, where $\{F_n\}$ is the Fibonacci sequence. Thus $\{G_k\}$ satisfies a second-order linear difference equation

$$G_{k+1} = \gamma G_k - G_{k-1}, \quad G_1 = 1, \quad G_0 = 0.$$
 (7)

This has a unique solution (6).

Lemma 6 The system (EQ_x) has a unique solution

$$x_k = c \frac{\xi G_{n-k} - G_{n-1-k}}{\xi G_n - G_{n-1}} \quad 0 \le k \le n$$

, while the system (EQ_{μ}) has a unique solution

$$\mu_k = c \frac{G_{n+1-k}}{\xi G_n - G_{n-1}} \quad 1 \le k \le n.$$

That is

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n)$$

$$= \frac{c}{H_n} (H_{n-1}, H_{n-2}, \dots, H_{n-k}, \dots, H_1, H_0),$$

$$(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_k, \dots, \mu_{n-1}, \mu_n)$$

$$= \frac{c}{H_n} (G_n, G_{n-1}, \dots, G_{n+1-k}, \dots, G_2, G_1)$$

where

$$H_n := \xi G_n - G_{n-1}. \tag{8}$$

The sequence $\{H_n\}$ is called *Hibonacci*. Then it holds that

$$\lambda G_n = H_n - H_{n-1}, \quad H_n = G_{n+1} - G_n, \quad H_0 = G_1.$$
 (9)

The Hibonacci sequence $\{H_k\}$ satisfies the second-order linear difference equation

$$H_{k+1} = \gamma H_k - H_{k-1}, \quad H_1 = \xi, \ H_0 = 1.$$
 (10)

This has a unique solution

$$H_k = \frac{\xi(\beta^k - \alpha^k) - (\beta^{k-1} - \alpha^{k-1})}{\beta - \alpha}.$$
 (11)

Theorem 1 The zero-minimum condition (Zm) has a unique solution (x, μ) ;

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_{n-1}, x_n)$$

$$= \frac{c}{H_n} (H_{n-1}, H_{n-2}, \dots, H_{n-k}, \dots, H_1, H_0),$$
(12)

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \ \mu_2, \ \dots, \ \mu_k, \ \dots, \ \mu_{n-1}, \ \mu_n)$$

$$= \frac{c}{H_n} (G_n, \ G_{n-1}, \ \dots, G_{n+1-k}, \ \dots, \ G_2, \ G_1)$$
(13)

where

$$G_n = \frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n}{\beta - \alpha}, \quad H_n = \xi G_n - G_{n-1}.$$

Hence Q attains the zero minimum at (x, μ) .

We have defined the objective function $h: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^1$ by

$$h(x,\mu) = -2\lambda c\mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + x_k^2 + \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_k(\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right] + (x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 + x_n^2 + (\lambda^2 + 1)\mu_n^2 + 2(\lambda - 1)x_n\mu_n.$$

Then (QI) is summarized as follows.

Corollary 1 It holds that

(i)
$$h(x,\mu) > 0 \quad \forall (x,\mu) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

(ii)
$$h(x,\mu) = 0 \iff (x,\mu) \text{ satisfies (EQ)}.$$

The objective function $h(x, \mu)$ attains the zero-minimum. From Lemma 4 (Triple Zero), we have a *triple zero property* for the solution.

Corollary 2 Let (x, μ) be the solution given in (12), (13). Then it holds that

$$h(x,\mu)$$

$$= -c(c - x_1) + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right]$$

$$= -\lambda c \mu_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] + (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2$$

$$= 0.$$

Here we define two functions $f, g: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^1$ by

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right]$$

$$g(\mu) = 2\lambda c \mu_1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] - (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2.$$

Note that f(x) is convex and $g(\mu)$ is concave. We consider a pair of minimization problem and maximization problem

P minimize f(x) subject to $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

D Maximize $g(\mu)$ subject to $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

4 Gibonacci Duality

Let any $\lambda > 0$ be given. Then we consider a pair of minimization (primal) problem and maximization (dual) problem.

4.1 Primal and dual

The pair is

P minimize
$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right]$$
Subject to (i) $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $x_0 = c$

Maximize
$$2\lambda c\mu_1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2\right] - (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2$$

D subject to (i) $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Then both P and D are dual to each other. An equality condition is

(EC)
$$c - x_1 = \lambda \mu_1 \qquad x_1 = \mu_1 - \mu_2$$
$$x_{k-1} - x_k = \lambda \mu_k \qquad x_k = \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} \quad k = 2, 3, \dots, n-1$$
$$x_{n-1} - x_n = \lambda \mu_n \qquad x_n = \mu_n.$$

The primal P attains a minimum $m = \left(1 - \frac{H_{n-1}}{H_n}\right)c^2$ at $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, while the dual D does a maximum $M = \lambda \frac{G_n}{H_n}c^2$ at $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n)$:

$$x_k = c \frac{H_{n-k}}{H_n}, \quad \mu_k = c \frac{G_{n+1-k}}{H_n}$$
 (14)

that is

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_n) = \frac{c}{H_n} (H_{n-1}, H_{n-2}, \dots, H_{n-k}, \dots, H_0)$$

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_k, \dots, \mu_n) = \frac{c}{H_n} (G_n, G_{n-1}, \dots, G_{n+1-k}, \dots, G_1)$$
(15)

where

$$G_n = \frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n}{\beta - \alpha}, \quad H_n = \xi G_n - G_{n-1}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4}}{2}$$

$$\gamma = 2 + \lambda, \quad \xi = 1 + \lambda.$$
(16)

Thus

$$\lambda G_n = H_n - H_{n-1}, \quad H_0 = G_1$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\lambda + 2 - \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda}}{2}, \quad \beta = \frac{\lambda + 2 + \sqrt{\lambda^2 + 4\lambda}}{2}.$$
(17)

Hence the optimum point (x, μ) satisfies (EC) and the optimum values are same m = M.

4.1.1 Solution method

We note that the objective function

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} [(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2] \quad (x_0 = c)$$

is convex. The first-order partial derivative $f_k(x) := \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_k}(x)$ is

Furthermore an identity

$$f(x) = c(c - x_1) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} x_k f_k(x)$$
 (18)

holds true.

A minimum point x satisfies the first-order condition $f_k(x) = 0$ $1 \le k \le n$, which is

$$c = x_0$$

$$(EQ_x) x_{k-1} = \gamma x_k - x_{k+1} 1 \le k \le n-1$$

$$x_{n-1} = \xi x_n.$$

As was shown in Lemma 6, this has a unique solution

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, \dots, x_n) = \frac{c}{H_n} (H_{n-1}, H_{n-2}, \dots, H_{n-k}, \dots, H_0).$$

Then the identity claims that

$$f(x) = c(c - x_1) = \left(1 - \frac{H_{n-1}}{H_n}\right)c^2.$$

Second we solve D. The objective function

$$g(\mu) = 2\lambda c\mu_1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] - (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2$$

is concave. The first-order partial derivative $g_k(\mu) := \frac{\partial g}{\partial \mu_k}(\mu)$ is

$$\frac{1}{2\lambda}g_1(\mu) = c - \lambda\mu_1 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2)
= \mu_2 - \xi\mu_1 + c \quad (\xi := 1 + \lambda)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\lambda}g_k(\mu) = (\mu_{k-1} - \mu_k) - \lambda\mu_k - (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})
= \mu_{k+1} - \gamma\mu_k + \mu_{k-1} \quad 2 \le k \le n - 1 \quad (\gamma := 2 + \lambda)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\lambda}g_n(\mu) = (\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n) - (\lambda + 1)\mu_n$$

$$= -\gamma\mu_n + \mu_{n-1}.$$

Furthermore an identity

$$g(\mu) = \lambda c \mu_1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \mu_k g_k(\mu)$$
 (19)

holds true

A maximum point μ satisfies the first-order condition $g_k(\mu) = 0$ $1 \le k \le n$, which is

$$c = \xi \mu_1 - \mu_2$$

$$(EQ_{\mu}) \qquad \mu_{k-1} = \gamma \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} \qquad 2 \le k \le n-1$$

$$\mu_{n-1} = \gamma \mu_n.$$

As was shown in Lemma 6, this has a unique solution

$$\mu = (\mu_1, \, \mu_2, \, \dots, \, \mu_k, \dots, \, \mu_n) = \frac{c}{H_n} (G_n, \, G_{n-1}, \, \dots, \, G_{n+1-k}, \, \dots, \, G_1).$$

Then the identity claims that

$$g(\mu) = \lambda c \mu_1 = \lambda \frac{G_n}{H_n} c^2.$$

Thus D has the desired maximum solution.

4.1.2 Derivation $P \iff D$

Let x be feasible for P. Then for any μ we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right]$$

$$= (c - x_1)^2 - 2\lambda \mu_1 (c - x_1) + \lambda x_1^2 + 2\lambda \mu_1 (c - x_1)$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{n} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 - 2\lambda \mu_k (x_{k-1} - x_k) + \lambda x_k^2 + 2\lambda \mu_k (x_{k-1} - x_k) \right]$$

$$= 2\lambda c \mu_1 + (c - x_1 - \lambda \mu_1)^2 - \lambda^2 \mu_1^2 + \lambda \left\{ x_1^2 - 2(\mu_1 - \mu_2) x_1 \right\}$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k - \lambda \mu_k)^2 - \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda x_k^2 - 2\lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) x_k \right]$$

$$+ \left[(x_{n-1} - x_n)^2 - 2\mu_k \lambda (x_{n-1} - x_n) + \lambda x_n^2 - 2\lambda \mu_n x_n \right]$$

$$= 2\lambda c \mu_1 + (c - x_1 - \lambda \mu_1)^2 - \lambda^2 \mu_1^2 + \lambda \left\{ x_1 - (\mu_1 - \mu_2) \right\}^2 - \lambda (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^2 \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{n=2}^{n-1} \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k - \lambda \mu_k)^2 - \lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda \left\{ x_k - (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1}) \right\}^2 - \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right]$$

$$+ (x_{n-1} - x_n - \lambda \mu_n)^2 - \lambda^2 \mu_n^2 + \lambda (x_n - \mu_n)^2 - \lambda \mu_n^2$$

$$\geq 2\lambda c \mu_1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] - (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2.$$

The equality holds iff (EC) holds.

Conversely, D \Longrightarrow P is shown as follows. Let μ be feasible for P. Then for any x we have

$$2\lambda c\mu_1 - \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left[\lambda^2 \mu_k^2 + \lambda (\mu_k - \mu_{k+1})^2 \right] - (\lambda^2 + \lambda) \mu_n^2 \le \sum_{k=1}^n \left[(x_{k-1} - x_k)^2 + \lambda x_k^2 \right].$$

The equality holds iff (EC) holds.

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