A system of constraints:

$$a_{11} \times a_{12} \times a_{21} \times a_{11} \times a_{12} \times a_{21} \times a_{21} \times a_{22} \times a_{21} \times a_{22} \times a_{21} \times a_{22} \times a_{22} \times a_{23} \times a_{24} \times a$$

(1) .

may be expressed as:

$$\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{r} \rightarrow b_1$$

 $\vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{r} \rightarrow b_2$

(2) . . a r > b

where

(3)
$$\stackrel{\bullet}{a} = \stackrel{\bullet}{a} \stackrel{\bullet}{e} + \stackrel{\bullet}{a} \stackrel{\bullet}{e} + \dots \stackrel{\bullet}{a} \stackrel{\bullet}{e}$$
 $\stackrel{\bullet}{m} \stackrel{\bullet}{n} \stackrel{\bullet}{l} \stackrel{\bullet}{l} \stackrel{\bullet}{l} \stackrel{\bullet}{m} \stackrel{\bullet}{n} \stackrel{\bullet}{l} \stackrel{\bullet}{n} \stackrel{\bullet}{$

being unit directional vectors, and

(5)
$$\vec{r} = x_1 \vec{e}_1 + x_2 \vec{e}_2 + ... \times \vec{e}_N$$

is a vector to point (x_i , x_z , ... x_w) in a space. For purposes of T value computation, the inequality constraint in (1) is replaced by equality constraints. Therefore (2) now becomes:

$$\vec{a}_1 \cdot \vec{r} = b_1$$

 $\vec{a}_2 \cdot \vec{r} = b_2$

and represents the set of constraint hyperplanes in n space.

In general, a point in n space in given by the vector equation:

(7)
$$\vec{r} = \vec{r} + \vec{r} \vec{g}$$

where \vec{q} and \vec{q} are known vectors, and T is a scalar parameter on \vec{q} (figure 1).

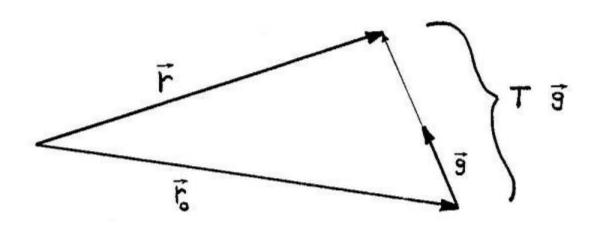


Figure 1

To determine the value of T, put (7) into (6) and solve for T:

$$\vec{a}_{\underline{i}} \cdot \vec{r} = b_{\underline{i}}$$

$$\vec{a}_{\underline{i}} \cdot (\vec{r}_{\underline{i}} + T_{\underline{i}} \cdot \vec{g}) = b_{\underline{i}}$$

$$\vec{a}_{\underline{i}} \cdot \vec{r}_{\underline{i}} + T_{\underline{i}} \cdot \vec{q} = b_{\underline{i}}$$

Solving for T we have:

(8)
$$T_{i} = (b_{i} - \vec{a}_{i} \cdot \vec{r})/(\vec{a}_{i} \cdot \vec{g})$$

$$(1 = 1, 2, \dots \text{m constraint hyperplanes})$$

Equation (8), as applied to Mutation Geometry based linear programming, is used to determine the parametric "distance" (T) between constraint hyperplanes, along the direction of vector \vec{g} . In operation, \vec{a} , \vec{r} , \vec{g} , and \vec{b} are known and values of T are computed for each constraint hyperplane each iteration (figure 2).

