

02612 Constrained Optimization

Exercise 07 Linear Programming

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In this exercise we consider an LP in standard form

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c'x \\ & Ax = b \\ & x \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

The Lagrange function for this problem is

$$L(x, \lambda, s) = c'x - \lambda'(Ax - b) - s'x$$

such that the first order necessary and sufficient optimality conditions are

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_x L &= c - A'\lambda - s = 0 \\ Ax &= b \\ x \geq 0 \quad \perp \quad s &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

To test code for LP algorithms, we choose $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ randomly, and define

$$\begin{aligned} x_i &= \begin{cases} \text{random positive number} & i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ 0 & i = m + 1, m + 2, \dots, n \end{cases} \\ s_i &= \begin{cases} \text{random positive number} & i = m + 1, m + 2, \dots, n \\ 0 & i = 1, 2, \dots, m \end{cases} \\ \lambda &= \text{random vector} \\ c &= A'\lambda + s \\ b &= Ax \end{aligned}$$

such that we know this combinations satisfies the first order optimality conditions.

Problem 1 - Revised Simplex Algorithm

- Describe the revised simplex algorithm for the standard LP and write a pseudo-code for it.
- Implement the revised simplex algorithm in Matlab for the standard LP
- Test your implementation of the revised simplex algorithm

Problem 2 - Interior-Point Algorithm

- Describe the primal-dual interior-point algorithm for the standard LP and write a pseudo-code for it.
- Implement the primal-dual interior-point algorithm in Matlab for the standard LP
- Test your implementation of the primal-dual interior-point algorithm

Problem 3 - Interior-Point Algorithm (Inequality form)

Consider a linear program in the form

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & f(x) = g'x \\ \text{s.t.} & A'x \geq b \end{array}$$

- Describe the primal-dual interior-point algorithm for this LP.
- Implement the primal-dual interior-point algorithm in Matlab for this problem
- Describe a method to generate random test problems that you can use to test your solver for this LP.
- Test your LP solver and compare it to `linprog`
- *Extra (hard problem)*: Implement a revised linear program algorithm tailored for this problem.

Problem 4 - Interior-Point Algorithm (General LP form)

Consider a linear program in the form

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} & f(x) = g'x \\ \text{s.t.} & x_l \leq x \leq x_u \\ & b_l \leq A'x \leq b_u \end{array}$$

- Describe the primal-dual interior-point algorithm for this LP.
- Implement the primal-dual interior-point algorithm in Matlab for this problem
- Describe a method to generate random test problems that you can use to test your solver for this LP.
- Test your LP solver and compare it to `linprog`
- *Extra (hard problem)*: Implement a revised linear program algorithm tailored for this problem.