

1 Linear Programming

1.1 Standard Form of LP

Decision variables $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^\top$
 Objective coefficients $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)^\top$
 Right-hand-side constraints $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m)^\top$
 Structural coefficients $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
 Maximize $z = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$
 subject to $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j = b_i, i = 1, \dots, m$
 $x_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, n$
 where $b_i \geq 0, n > m$

Transforming an LP to Standard Form

- Nonzero lower bound
suppose $x_j \geq l_j, l_j \neq 0$, replace $x_j = x'_j + l_j, x'_j \geq 0$
- Non-positive upper bound
suppose $x_j \geq u_j, u_j \leq 0$, replace $x_j = u_j - x'_j$
- Unrestricted (or Free) Variables
- $x_1 + x_2 = 8$, replace $x_2 = 8 - x_1$ if x_2 is free
- define $x_j^+, x_j^- \geq 0$, use $x_j^+ - x_j^-$ substitute x_j
- Inequality Constraints
define slack variable $s_1 \geq 0, ax \geq b \Leftrightarrow ax - s_1 = b$

1.2 Solving LP

Basic Feasible Solution

- **Definition.** For an LP in the standard form, a basic solution is called a BFS if it satisfies the non-negativity constraints.
- **Theorem**
- \exists a feasible solution $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ a BFS.
- \exists an optimal FS $\Leftrightarrow \exists$ an optimal BFS.
- **Additional remark.** Each BFS corresponds to a corner point in the graphic representation of LP.

Given $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}_B, \mathbf{x}_N)$ with $\mathbf{x}_N = 0$. Write $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{N})$ (columns of \mathbf{A} corresponding to variables in $\mathbf{x}_B, \mathbf{x}_N$)
 $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{Bx}_B + \mathbf{Nx}_N = \mathbf{Bx}_B = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$
Proof. Assume \mathbf{x} is a feasible solution, but not BFS.
 Can find a $\mathbf{y} (\mathbf{Ay} = 0)$ making $\mathbf{x} + k\mathbf{y}$ to be BFS.

Simplex method A simplex form \Leftrightarrow a BFS:

- Each basic variable corresponds to a row, and value of basic variable is right-hand side of row
- The value of the objective function is equal to the right-hand side of row 0
- Every basic variable appears in one and only one equation, but not row 0

- Each basic variable has the coefficient 1 in the equation it appears
- Each equation has only one basic variable
- Variable z only appears in row 0 with coefficient 1

The BFS is optimal iff row 0 has no negative numbers

Optimality Test Suppose $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{x}_B, \mathbf{x}_N)$ is a BFS

$$\mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Nx}_N) = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{x}_B + \mathbf{c}_N \mathbf{x}_N = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

if non-basic variable becomes non-zero:
 $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{x}_B + \mathbf{c}_N \mathbf{x}_N = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Nx}_N) + \mathbf{c}_N \mathbf{x}_N$

$= \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{c}_N) \mathbf{x}_N$
 consider a non-basic variable x_k increased
 $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b} - (\mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_k - \mathbf{c}_k) \mathbf{x}_k$
 $\bar{c}_k = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_k - c_k$ referred as reduced cost
 The current basic solution is optimal if and only if the reduced cost is nonnegative for all non-basic variables.

Ratio Test non-basic variable x_k increased

$$\mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{Nx}_N) = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{x}_k$$

To keep non-negativity, $(\mathbf{x}_B)_i \geq 0$
 ratio test $\arg\min_i (\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b})_i / (\mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_k)_i$

1.3 Sensitivity Analysis

Shadow Price Optimal of dual variable: $\lambda = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}$
 In the optimal solution, if a constraint is not tight ($<$ or $>$), then its shadow price must be 0, if tight ($=$), may or may not be 0

Constraint Analysis

- Non-basic variable $\mathbf{c}_j + \Delta c_j$
 $\mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}_j - (c_j + \Delta c_j) \geq 0$
- Basic variable $\mathbf{c}_j + \Delta c_j$
 $(\mathbf{c}_B + \Delta c_j) \mathbf{B}^{-1}(\mathbf{A}_N, \mathbf{I}) - (\mathbf{c}_N, 0, \dots) \geq 0$
 optimal solution unchange within range, vice versa
- \mathbf{b}_r : $\mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b}' \geq 0, \Delta S = \Delta \mathbf{b}_r \cdot \lambda_r$
 optimal solution always change. Basic variable change beyond range, vice versa.

1.4 Duality

Primal: $\max z = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i$
 $s.t. \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji} x_i \leq b_j, j = 1, \dots, m$
 $x_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n$
Dual: $\min w = \sum_{j=1}^m b_j y_j$
 $s.t. \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ji} y_j \geq c_i, i = 1, \dots, n$
 $y_j \geq 0, j = 1, \dots, m$

Primal model (MAX)	Dual model (MIN)
Constraint j is \leq	Variable $y_j \geq 0$
Constraint j is $=$	Variable y_j is free
Constraint j is \geq	Variable $y_j \leq 0$
Variable $x_i \geq 0$	Constraint i is \geq
Variable x_i is free	Constraint i is $=$
Variable $x_i \leq 0$	Constraint i is \leq

Weak Duality $Z(x) \leq W(y)$

proof: $\mathbf{cx} \leq \mathbf{yAx} \leq \mathbf{yb}$

Strong Duality If either of Primal or Dual has an optimal feasible bounded solution, then 1. the other

problem also has *ofbs*, 2. $z = w$

proof: suppose $\mathbf{x}^* = (\mathbf{x}_B, \mathbf{x}_N)$ is optimal solution,
 Reduced cost for non-basic variables $\mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{N} - \mathbf{c}_N \geq 0$,
 Let $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}$, we have:

- $\mathbf{yA} = \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{B} \mathbf{N}) = (\mathbf{c}_B, \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{N}) \geq (\mathbf{c}_B, \mathbf{c}_N) = \mathbf{c}$
- \mathbf{y} is feasible to the dual
- $\mathbf{yb} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{cx}^*$
- \mathbf{y} is optimal to the dual

Complementary Slackness Any feasible solution

\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} , they both are optimal iff for any i :

(1) $\mathbf{x}_i > 0 \rightarrow (\pi \mathbf{A})_i = \mathbf{c}_i$, (2) $\mathbf{x}_i = 0 \leftarrow (\pi \mathbf{A})_i > \mathbf{c}_i$

proof: If 1,2 true, $(\mathbf{yA} - \mathbf{c})\mathbf{x} = 0 \rightarrow \mathbf{yAx} = \mathbf{cx}$ or $\mathbf{yb} = \mathbf{cx}$, from strong duality, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} optimal.
 If \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} optimal, $\mathbf{yb} = \mathbf{cx}$ and $(\mathbf{yA} - \mathbf{c})\mathbf{x} = 0$, implies 1,2.

1.5 Transportation Problem

source with supplying capacity s_i , destination with demand d_i , cost c_{ij} , transportation plan x_{ij}

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} = s_i, i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_{ij} = d_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$x_{ij} \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, n$.

If total supply = demand, coefficient matrix contains $k \leq m + n - 1$ linearly independent row vectors, k basic variables, k non-zero elements in optimal solution.

$\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{c}_B \mathbf{B}^{-1}$ is basic variables for dual problem, contains k elements. Thus always a shadow price = 0.

1.6 Cooperative Game

N : set of players

$V(S)$: function gives cost of a coalition S (subset of N)

An allocation is a distribution of Ground Coalition

$V(N)$, s.t. $\sum_{i \in N} x_i = V(N)$

develop core allocation rules $\sum_{i \in S} x_i \leq V(S), \forall S$

1.7 Max Flow Problem

$G = (N, A)$, flow on arc x_{ij} , capacity of flow in arc U_{ij} , source node s , destination node t , Max flow value $v(x)$.

Original network G , feasible flow x , residual network $G(x)$, residual capacity r_{ij} , augmenting path P .

Min cut The capacity of a cut (S, T) is sum of capacities of all forward arcs, $CAP(S, T) = \sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in T} u_{ij}$.

Dual LP (min cut): $\pi_i \in \{0, 1\}$ two sets, w_{ij} cut edge
 min $\sum u_{ij} w_{ij}$ s.t. $\pi_1 - \pi_i + w_{1i} \geq 0, \pi_i - \pi_n + w_{in} \geq 0, -\pi_1 + \pi_n \geq 1, w_{ij} \geq 0, \pi$ free

Weak Duality Theorem for Max Flow Problem

define **flow across the cut**: flow on forward arcs - backward $F_x(S, T) = \sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in T} x_{ij} - \sum_{i \in S} \sum_{j \in T} x_{ji}$
 Claim: 1. $F_x(S, T) = v$ = flow into t . 2. $F_x(S, T) \leq$ capacity of a cut. **Weak:** $v(x) \leq CAP(S, T)$

Strong Duality: Max Flow Min Cut Theorem

The following are equivalent. 1 \Rightarrow 2, 3 \Rightarrow 1, 2 \Rightarrow 3

- 1 A flow x is maximum
 - 2 There is no augmenting path in $G(x)$.
 - 3 There is an s-t cut (S, T) whose capacity is the flow value of x .
- * **Corollary.** The maximum flow value is the minimum value of a cut

1.8 Min Cost Network Flow

- **Problem input**
- Network $G = (N, A)$
- Flow cost c_{ij} for each arc (i, j) in A
- Lower and upper bounds l_{ij}, u_{ij} for each arc
- Supply or demand $b(j)$ for each node j
- **Decisions** Flow x_{ij} for each arc
- **Objective** min total flow cost $\sum_{(i,j)} x_{ij} c_{ij}$
- **Constraints**
- Lower and upper bounds
- Flow conservation
- A necessary condition for the problem to be feasible is that total supply is equal to total demand

LP Formulation min \mathbf{cx} s.t. $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x} \geq 0$

$A_{ij} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$, each column has exactly one 1 & -1
 LP with Consecutive 1's in Columns (Each row k is multiplied by -1 and added to row $k+1$) \rightarrow IP

1.9 IP

LP with $x_i \in \{0,1\}$, LP is relaxation of IP.

Constraints

- $y_{A1} + y_{A2} + y_{A3} \leq 3y_{A4}$ Design A can be used at sites 1,2,3 only if it is also selected for site 4
- $\sum y_i \leq nw$ Decision w is implied if any one of the other n decisions is chosen
- $\sum y_i \leq n-1+w$ Decision w is implied if all the other n decisions are chosen
- $\sum y_i \leq k-1+(n-(k-1))w$ Decision w is implied if at least k of the other n decisions are chosen

B&B Tree

1.10 Dynamic Program

dp recursion, initial condition, optimal solution

1.11 Complexity Analysis

$O(f(n))$ if at most $cf(n)$ for all $n \geq n_0$

Recognition Version of Optimization

optimization problem P1: minimizing $f(x)$
recognition problem P2: $\exists x_0$ s.t. $f(x_0) \leq k$
 $P1 \rightarrow P2, P2 \xrightarrow{\log} P1$

Problem Reduction P1 polynomially reduces to P2: exists a polynomial-time algorithm that solves P1 by using the algorithm for solving P2 at unit cost

Problem Transformation If for every instance A1 of problem A, we can construct in polynomial-time an instance B1 of B, such that A1 has a Yes answer if and only if B1 has a Yes answer, then we say A polynomially transforms to B

Problem Classification

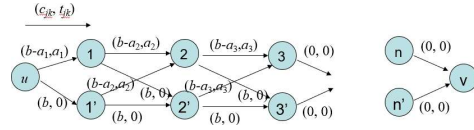
$P \in NP, NPC = NP \cap NP\text{-hard}$

- **P** polynomial
- **NP** verify in polynomial
- **NP-complete** (1) $P1 \in NP$ (2) all other problems in class NP polynomially transform to P1
- **NP-hard** all other problems in class NP polynomially reduce to P1

NP: Hamiltonian Cycle, Partition, Traveling Salesman, Longest Path

Proving a problem is NPC (1) $P2 \in NP$ (2) find $P1 \in NPC$, polynomially transform P1 to P2

- **TSP** Given an instance of HCP with $G=(N,A)$, we construct an instance of TSP with $G=(N,A)$ and $c_{ij} = 1$ for all arc (i,j) in A, and the integer $k=n$. A Hamiltonian cycle in HCP is equivalent to a tour in TSP with total cost being $n(=k)$.
- **LPP** $s \rightarrow t$ cost $\geq L$? network G' inheriting G except that G' has on more node $n+1$ and all arcs $(j,1)$ in G are replaced by arcs $(j,n+1)$, each arc in G' having a cost being 1, and node s being node 1, node t being node $n+1$, and $L=n$
- **Dynamic Lot Sizing with Production Capacity(DLSC)** production capacity u_t , demand d_t , inventory holding cost $h_t(y_t) = h_t y_t$, production cost $f_t(x_t) = K_t + c_t x_t$
Partition, construct DLSC of $T=n$ periods. Each period t , $t=1, \dots, n$, the production capacity $u_t = a_t$, holding cost $h_t(y_t) = 0$, and production cost $f_t(x_t) = a_t$, if $x_t > 0$, i.e., $c_t = 0$. The demand $d_t = 0, t=1, \dots, n-1$ and $d_T = B$.
- **Constrained Shortest Path (CSP)** Partition
csp: u to v , $\sum c_{jk} \leq C$, $\sum t_{jk} \leq T$



Weakly & Strongly NPC strongly: NPC even under the similarity assumption
weakly: has pseudo-polynomial time algorithm

1.12 Handling NP-hard

Bounding by Relaxation $P_i: \min\{F_i(x) | x \in X_i\}$
 P_j is called a relaxation of P_i if (1) $X_i \subseteq X_j$, (2) $F_i(x) \geq F_j(x)$. Then $F_i(x_{f_i}^*) \geq F_j(x_{f_j}^*)$

Lagrangian Relaxation max problem:
 $z_{IP} = \max cx$ s.t. $A_1 x \leq b_1, A_2 x \leq b_2, x \in Z_+^n$
 $z_{LR}(\lambda) = \max cx + \lambda(b_1 - A_1 x)$ s.t. $A_2 x \leq b_2, x \in Z_+^n$
 $\forall \lambda \geq 0, z_{LR}(\lambda) \geq z_{IP}$
Lagrangian Dual $z_{LD} = \min\{z_{LR}(\lambda) | \lambda \geq 0\}$

LP and Lagrangian Relaxation

LP: $Z^* = \min\{cx | Ax = b, Dx = e, x \geq 0\}$

Dual: $Z^* = \max\{ub + ve | uA + vD \leq c\}$
optimal solution satisfy: $(u^*A + v^*D - e)x^* = 0$
LR: $L(\lambda) = \min\{cx + \lambda(b - Ax) | Dx = e, x \geq 0\}$
 $L(u^*) = \max\{L(\lambda)\} = Z^*$

Dual

LP: $\min\{cx | Ax = b, x \geq 0\}$ LPD: $\max\{yb | yA \leq c\}$
 $y^*A - c = 0$ by Complementary Slackness
 $L(u) = \min\{cx + u(b - Ax) | x \geq 0\}, L(u^*) = \max L(u)$
let $u = y^*, L(y^*) = \min\{(c - y^*A)x + y^*b | x \geq 0\} = \text{LPD}$

2 Non-linear Programming

$\min f(x)$ s.t. $g_i(x) \leq b_i, i = 1, \dots, m$

Convex Function - Concave Function

$f(\alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2) \leq \alpha f(x_1) + (1 - \alpha)f(x_2)$

1-D: $f(\cdot)$ is convex if $f''(\cdot) \geq 0$

Multiple-Dimension: Hessian matrix $H_{ij} = \partial^2 f / \partial x_i \partial x_j$ is positive semi-definite $x^T H x \geq 0, \forall x$

Convex Set $\forall x_1, x_2 \in S, \alpha x_1 + (1 - \alpha)x_2 \in S$
if $g_i(\cdot)$ is convex function, the feasible region is convex

Convex Programming NLP, convex set, convex function, then local minimum is global minimum

Operations that preserve convexity

Suppose $f_i(x)$ are convex functions

- $\sum w_i f_i(x)$ is convex if $w_i \geq 0$
- $\max\{f_i(x)\}$ is convex, proof: definition inequality

Consider $f(x) = h(g(x))$, then f is convex(concave) if h is convex(concave) and non-decreasing(increasing), and g is convex or concave.

2.1 Find the Minimum

Newton's Method $\forall x_k, q(x) := f(x_k) + f'(x_k)(x - x_k) + 0.5f''(x_k)(x - x_k)^2$
find $q'(x_{k+1}) = f'(x_k) + f''(x_k)(x_{k+1} - x_k) = 0$ i.e.,
 $x_{k+1} = x_k - f'(x_k)/f''(x_k)$

NLP with Equality Constraints

$\min f(x)$ s.t. $g_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, m$
 $L(x, \lambda) = f(x) + \sum \lambda_i g_i(x)$
stationary point: $\partial L / \partial x_i = \partial L / \partial \lambda_i = 0$

NLP with Inequality Constraints

$\min f(x)$ s.t. $h_i(x) = 0, i = 1, \dots, p, g_i(x) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m$
 $L(x, \lambda, \mu) = f(x) + \sum \lambda_i h_i(x) + \sum \mu_i g_i(x), \mu_i \geq 0$

Kuhn-Tucker necessary conditions: $\partial L / \partial x_j = \partial L / \partial \lambda_i = 0, \partial L / \partial \mu_i \leq 0, \mu_i g_i(x) = 0, \mu_i \geq 0$

2.2 Selected OR Models and Methods

Minimum spanning tree

- **Kruskal's** Algorithm $O(nm)$
Cut Optimality Condition, min-max route
- **Prim's** Algorithm $O(m + n \log n)$
- **Sollin's** Algorithm $O(m \log n)$
each step find min arc for each sub-tree

Bin packing

- **Next Fit** $F(NF) \leq 2\text{OPT}-1$
- **First Fit** $F(FF) \leq 1.7\text{OPT}$
- **Best Fit**

Shortest path Floyd-Warshall $O(n^3)$