

Problem 1. Note that ~~af~~

$$\nabla f(y) - \nabla f(x) = \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x + t(y-x)) (y-x) dt$$

thus. $\|\nabla f(y) - \nabla f(x) - \nabla^2 f(x)(y-x)\|$

$$= \left\| \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x + t(y-x)) (y-x) dt - \nabla^2 f(x)(y-x) \right\|$$

~~$$= \left\| \left[\nabla^2 f(x + t(y-x)) (y-x) \right] \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x) (y-x) dt \right\|$$~~

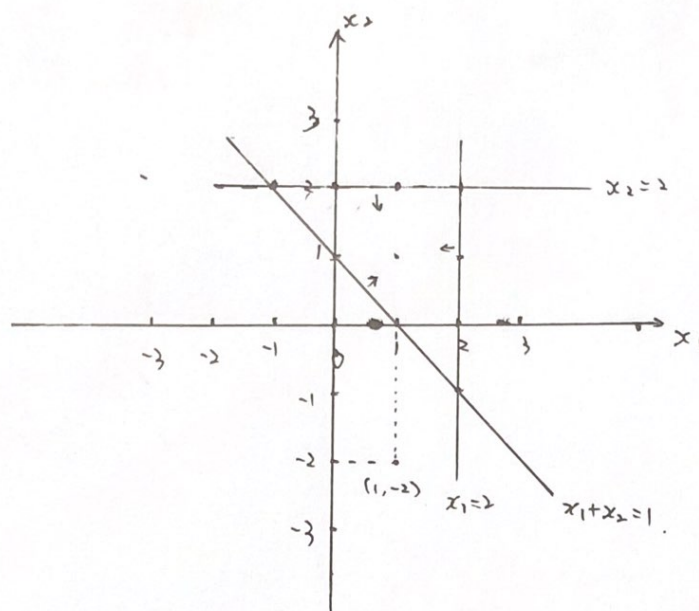
~~$$= \left\| \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x + t(y-x)) (y-x) dt - \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x) (y-x) dt \right\|$$~~

$$\leq \left\| \int_0^1 \nabla^2 f(x + t(y-x)) dt - \nabla^2 f(x) \right\| \|y-x\|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} \|\nabla^2 f(y) - \nabla^2 f(x)\| \|y-x\|$$

$$\leq \frac{L}{2} \|y-x\|^2$$

Problem 2 (a) Solution. Let's solve the problem using graph. (2)



Note that all feasible solutions are $(-1, 2), (0, 2), (0, 1), (1, 2), (1, 0), (1, -1), (2, 2), (2, 1), (2, 0), (2, -1)$.

Thus the optimal solutions are the one that closest ~~the~~ to the point $(1, -2)$, that is $x^* = (2, -1)$, the optimal objective value is $(2-1)^2 + (-1+2)^2 = 2$.

(b) Given $\nu \in \mathbb{R}_+$ as the multiplier associated with $x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$, the Lagrangian dual is given by

$$\sup_{\nu \in \mathbb{R}_+} \theta(\nu),$$

$$\text{where } \theta(\nu) = \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \{ (x_1 - 1)^2 + (x_2 + 1)^2 + \nu(1 - x_1 - x_2) \}$$

$$= \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \{ x_1^2 - (2 + \nu)x_1 + x_2^2 + (4 - \nu)x_2 + 5 + \nu \}$$

$$\text{Let } g(x) = x_1^2 - (2 + \nu)x_1 + x_2^2 + (4 - \nu)x_2 + 5 + \nu$$

Note that $g(x)$ is twice differentiable on \mathbb{R}^2 .

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$$\nabla g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - (v+2) \\ 2x_2 + 4 - v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\nabla^2 g(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \succ 0.$$

~~Thus the~~

let $\nabla g(x) = 0$, we get

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{v+2}{2} \\ x_2 = \frac{v-4}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{thus } \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \{g(x)\} = g\left(\begin{bmatrix} \frac{v+2}{2} \\ \frac{v-4}{2} \end{bmatrix}\right) =$$

$$= \frac{(v+2)^2}{4} - \frac{(v+2)^2}{2} + \frac{(v-4)^2}{4} - \frac{(v-4)^2}{2} + 5 + v$$

$$= -\frac{(v+2)^2}{4} - \frac{(v-4)^2}{4} + 5 + v$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}v^2 + v - 5 + 5 + v$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}v^2 + 2v$$

thus, the ~~lagrangian~~ Lagrangian dual can be further written as

$$\sup_{v \in \mathbb{R}^+} \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}v^2 + 2v \right\}$$

The optimal solution to the dual problem is $v = 2$,

with the optimal objective value as $-\frac{1}{2} \times 2^2 + 2 \times 2 = 2$.

Problem 3. (a). Note that ~~#2#~~ $\|x\|^2 \leq yz \Rightarrow yz \geq 0$

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thus $\|x\|^2 \leq yz$

$$\Leftrightarrow \|x\|^2 \leq \frac{1}{4}[(y+z)^2 - (y-z)^2]$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4\|x\|^2 \leq (y+z)^2 - (y-z)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow 4\|x\|^2 + (y-z)^2 \leq (y+z)^2$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sqrt{4\|x\|^2 + (y-z)^2} \leq |y+z|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{vmatrix} z & x \\ y & -z \end{vmatrix} \leq |y+z|.$$

Since y and z are nonnegative, then we have

$$\begin{vmatrix} z & x \\ y & -z \end{vmatrix} \leq y+z.$$

problem 3. (b).

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Note that the problem can be formulated as follows.

$$\begin{array}{l} \lambda \\ \hline \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{a_i^T x - b_i} \right) \end{array} \quad \blacksquare$$

$$\text{Let } g_i = \frac{1}{a_i^T x - b_i}, \quad \text{---} \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

Problem 4. (a).

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Suppose T is bounded, ~~let's prove that~~

i.e. $\exists \varepsilon > 0$. s.t. $\forall y \in T$. we have

$$\|y\|^2 \leq \varepsilon.$$

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Let's then prove that S is unbounded,
~~then.~~

Note that $\forall x \in S$. we have

$$Ax \geq b, \quad x \geq 0.$$

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conversely, if S is unbounded, then $\exists d \in \mathbb{R}^n$, s.t. $Ad \geq b, d \geq 0$

$d \neq 0$.

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4(b). Yes, they can.

$$\text{let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}.$$

$$b = 0.$$

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

then $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+^2$, we have $Ax = 0 \geq b = 0$

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}_+^1, \text{ we have } A^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

both S and T ~~are~~ in this case are unbounded.

Problem 5. (a) Solution.

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$$\text{Let } f(x) = c^T x$$

$$g_i(x) = d_i^T x - l_i, \quad i=1, \dots, m. \quad (1) \quad u$$

$$h_j(x) = f_j^T x - d_j, \quad j=1, \dots, p. \quad (2) \quad w$$

$$m_k(x) = -x_k, \quad k=1, \dots, n. \quad (3) \quad v$$

Let $u \in \mathbb{R}_+^m$, $v \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$, $w \in \mathbb{R}^p$ be the multiplier associated with constraint (1), (3) and (2), respectively.

~~Also note~~

The KKT conditions are as follows.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i \nabla g_i(x) + \sum_{j=1}^p w_j \nabla h_j(x) + \sum_{k=1}^n v_k \nabla m_k(x) = 0 \\ u_i g_i(x) = 0, \quad i=1, \dots, m. \\ v_k x_k = 0, \quad k=1, \dots, n. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i + \sum_{j=1}^p w_j f_j + \sum_{k=1}^n v_k e_k = 0. \\ u_i g_i(x) = 0, \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ v_k x_k = 0, \quad k=1, \dots, n. \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i + \sum_{j=1}^p w_j f_j - v = 0. \\ u_i g_i(x) = 0, \quad i=1, \dots, m \\ v_k x_k = 0, \quad k=1, \dots, n. \end{array} \right.$$

Problem 5. (b) proof.

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~~Since $f_i(x)$, $i=1, \dots, m$, are~~

Note that $f_i(x)$, $\forall i$, $m_k(x)$, $\forall k$ are concave functions.

$h_j(x)$ $\forall j$ are affine functions, then we know that KKT conditions are necessary for the optimality of the original problem.

Since $f(x)$ is convex, the problem (3) is a convex optimization problem, thus KKT conditions are also sufficient for the optimality.

Note that if x^* is optimal for problem (3), then KKT conditions must hold for x^* , thus we have

$$\begin{cases} c + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i + \sum_{j=1}^p w_j f_j - v = 0 \\ u \in \mathbb{R}_+^m, v \in \mathbb{R}_+^p \\ u_i f_i(x^*) = 0, i=1, \dots, m \\ v_k x_k^* = 0, k=1, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

if $\sum_{j=1}^p \|f_j\|_0 \leq \bar{p} \leq n$.

then $\left\| \sum_{j=1}^p w_j f_j \right\|_0 \leq \sum_{j=1}^p \|w_j f_j\|_0 \leq \sum_{j=1}^p \|f_j\|_0 \leq \bar{p} \leq n$.

~~Note that \sum~~

By the KKT condition, we know that

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$$\sum_{j=1}^p w_j f_j = N - \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i - c.$$

then we have $\|N - \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i - c\|_0 \leq \bar{p} \leq n.$

since $N \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$, $d_i \geq 0$, $\forall i$, $c > 0$.

then we have $\|N - \sum_{i=1}^m u_i d_i\|_0 \geq n - \bar{p}.$

Then by the KKT condition that $U_k x_k^* = 0$, $k=1, \dots, n$.

we know that

$$\|x^*\|_0 \leq \bar{p}.$$