

# Solutions Exercise 1

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## Exercise 1

- (a) State the dual program corresponding to the following linear programs:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & c^T x + d^T y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax \geq b \\ & g^T y = f \\ & x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $f \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $d, g \in \mathbb{R}^l$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

Following to the general rules for finding the dual of a given linear program, the corresponding dual program:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & b^T u + f \cdot v \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A^T u \geq c \\ & g \cdot v \geq d \\ & u \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Use Part (a) in order to show or disprove that  $(x^*, y^*) = (\frac{13}{3}, 0, \frac{5}{3}, 1, 0)^T$  is an optimal solution for

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & (6, -1, -3)x + (4, -6)y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{pmatrix} -2 & -1 & \frac{17}{5} \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} x \geq \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \\ & (2, -3)y = 2 \\ & x, y, \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Using python and SciPy check whether  $(x^*, y^*) = (\frac{13}{3}, 0, \frac{5}{3}, 1, 0)^T$  is an optimal solution and  $W^* = Z^*$ . The code implementation can be founded here [Code](#). Due to SciPy restrictions linear function to be minimized:  $-Z = -c^T x - d^T y$

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con: array([0.])
fun: -25.0
message: 'Optimization terminated successfully.'
nit: 3
slack: array([0., 0.])
status: 0
success: True
x: array([4.33333333, 0., 1.66666667, 1., 0.])

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Figure 1: Solution of primal problem

As we can see  $x = (4.3, 0, 1.6, 1, 0)^T = (x^*, y^*) = (\frac{13}{3}, 0, \frac{5}{3}, 1, 0)^T$  and  $Z^* = 25$ .

Now, solve the dual problem

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con: array([], dtype=float64)
fun: 25.0
message: 'Optimization terminated successfully.'
nit: 3
slack: array([0.0000000e+00, 0.0000000e+00, 4.4408921e-16, 0.0000000e+00,
0.0000000e+00])
status: 0
success: True
x: array([-1.66666667, -2.66666667, 2., 0., 0.])

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Figure 2: Solution of dual problem

Since  $W^* = Z^*$  and all above mentioned  $(x^*, y^*) = (\frac{13}{3}, 0, \frac{5}{3}, 1, 0)^T$  is an optimal solution.

## Exercise 2

Consider the following program:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \max \quad & 7x_1 + 6x_2 + 5x_3 - 2x_4 + 3x_5 \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 - 2x_4 + 2x_5 \leq 4 \\
 & 4x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3 + x_4 + x_5 \leq 3 \\
 & 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 + 5x_5 \leq 5 \\
 & 3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 - 2x_5 \leq 1 \\
 & x_1, \dots, x_5 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(a) Formulate the corresponding dual program

Following to the general rules for finding the dual of a given linear program, the corresponding dual program:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & 4y_1 + 3y_2 + 5y_3 + y_4 \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3 + 3y_4 \geq 7 \\
 & 3y_1 + 2y_2 + 4y_3 + y_4 \geq 6 \\
 & 5y_1 - 2y_2 + 4y_3 + 2y_4 \geq 5 \\
 & -2y_1 + y_2 - 2y_3 - y_4 \geq -2 \\
 & 2y_1 + y_2 + 5y_3 - 2y_4 \geq 3 \\
 & y_1, \dots, y_4 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Check if  $x^* = (0, \frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{3}, 0)^T$  is an optimal solution via the complementary slackness theorem.

- 1 constraint:  $0 + 4 + \frac{10}{3} - \frac{10}{3} + 0 \leq 4 \Rightarrow 4 \leq 4 \rightarrow \text{tight}$
- 2 constraint:  $0 + \frac{8}{3} - \frac{4}{3} + \frac{5}{3} + 0 \leq 3 \Rightarrow 3 \leq 3 \rightarrow \text{tight}$
- 3 constraint:  $0 + \frac{16}{3} + \frac{8}{3} - \frac{10}{3} + 0 \leq 5 \Rightarrow \frac{14}{3} \leq 5 \rightarrow \text{slack}$
- 4 constraint:  $0 + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{4}{3} - \frac{5}{3} + 0 \leq 1 \Rightarrow 1 \leq 1 \rightarrow \text{tight}$
- $x_i^* \geq 0$  for  $i \in [1, \dots, 5]$

Hence,  $y_1, y_2, y_4 \geq 0, y_3 = 0$ .

Since  $x_2, x_3, x_4 > 0$ , complementary slackness demand that the corresponding constraints should be tight. Putting this together:

$$\begin{cases} 3y_1^* + 2y_2^* + y_4^* = 6 \\ 5y_1^* - 2y_2^* + 2y_4^* = 5 \\ -2y_1^* + y_2^* - y_4^* = -2 \end{cases}$$

$y^* = (1, 1, 0, 1)$ . Check whether  $y^*$  satisfies the dual feasibility conditions:

- $y_i^* \geq 0$  for  $i \in [1, \dots, 4]$
- 1 constraint:  $1 + 4 + 3 \geq 7$  - yes
- 5 constraint:  $2 + 1 - 2 \geq 3$  - no

It is, so  $(1, 1, 0, 1)$  is infeasible  $\Rightarrow x^*$  is not an optimal primal solution.