

$$\min \quad x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3^4 \quad \text{ME4 Q4}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 \leq 2$$

$$x_1 \geq 0 \quad x_2 \geq 0$$

i) Cost is convex $\nabla^2 f = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & x_3^2 \end{bmatrix} \succ 0$

$$\begin{array}{l} x_3^* = 0 \quad x_2^* = 2 \\ x_1^* = 0 \end{array} \quad |$$

Constrained are convex $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$

(Do KKT).

ii) Duality: $X = \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} L(x, d) = & x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3^4 + d_1(x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 - 2) \\ & + d_2(-x_1) \\ & + d_3(-x_2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} L(x, d) = & x_1(1 + d_1 - d_2) \\ & + x_2(-4 + d_1 - d_3) \\ & + x_3^4 + d_1 x_3^2 - 2d_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \min L = \begin{cases} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} x_3^4 + d_1 x_3^2 - 2d_1 & \begin{array}{l} 1 + d_1 - d_2 = 0 \text{ and} \\ -4 + d_1 - d_3 = 0 \end{array} \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\min_{x_3} \quad x_3^4 + d_1 x_3^2 - 2d_1$$

$$f' = 0 \Rightarrow 4x_3^3 + 2d_1 x_3 = 0$$

$$2x_3(2x_3^2 + d_1) = 0$$

\downarrow $\underbrace{= 0}$, not possible because
 $x_3 = 0$ $d_1 \geq 0$

$$\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} L = \begin{cases} -2d_1 & 1+d_1-d_2=0 \\ -\infty & -4+d_1-d_3=0 \\ & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Dual:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & -2d_1 \\ \text{s.t. } & \begin{array}{l} d_1 \geq 0 \\ 1+d_1-d_2=0 \\ -4+d_1-d_3=0 \end{array} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} d_1=4 \\ d_2=5 \\ d_3=0 \\ \boxed{x_3=0} \end{array}$$

$$= 0$$

$$d_1(x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 - 2) = 0$$

$$d_2(-x_1) = 0 \quad d_1=4 \Rightarrow x_1+x_2-2=0$$

$$d_3(-x_2) = 0 \quad d_2=5 \Rightarrow \boxed{x_1=0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x_2=2}$$

Extra: Using KKT for the primal.

$$L(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3^4 + \alpha_1(x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 - 2) + \alpha_2(-x_1) + \alpha_3(-x_2)$$

$$\nabla_x L = 0 \Leftrightarrow 1 + \alpha_1 - \alpha_2 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$-4 + \alpha_1 - \alpha_3 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$4x_3^3 + 2\alpha_1 x_3 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\alpha_1(x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 - 2) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\alpha_2(-x_1) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\alpha_3(-x_2) = 0 \quad (6)$$

$$\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \geq 0$$

Case $\alpha_1 \neq 0, \alpha_2 \neq 0, \alpha_3 = 0$

$$\alpha_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 + x_3^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\alpha_2 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 + x_3^2 - 2 = 0$$

$$\text{Also, (3)} \Leftrightarrow 2x_3(2x_3^2 + \alpha_1) = 0$$

$$\hookrightarrow \alpha_1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x_3 = 0$$

Therefore $x^* = (0, 2, 0)$ solves KKT + convexity $x_2 = 2$
 + Slater ($\bar{x} = (0, 0, 0); 0+0+0^2 < 2$)
 \Rightarrow KKT are nec. and sufficient $\Rightarrow x^*$ is optimal.