

the garden

what are the ingredients for optimization

Linear Algebra

• we have matrices and vectors. we can multiply matrices by vectors and matrices by matrices.

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

produces a vector

i^{th} row is $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j$

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & \dots & b_{1k} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ b_{n1} & \dots & b_{nk} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & \dots & c_{1k} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ c_{m1} & \dots & c_{mk} \end{bmatrix} = C$$

element $c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{kj}$

• if we have a collection of column vectors, $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$, they are linearly indep. if $\lambda_1\vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n\vec{v}_n = \vec{0}$ is only true if $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_n = 0$.

• if the columns of A are linearly indep. that also implies... $\odot A^{-1}$ exists $\odot (A^T)^{-1}$ exists \odot there is a unique solution to $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ for all \vec{b} .

Linear Programming

• Linear programming just means that we will only be using linear equations.

• a Linear Program maximizes/minimizes a linear function subject to linear constraints. parts of an LP are...

variables \rightarrow what we have control over, what can change?

objective \rightarrow what we want to maximize or minimize?

constraints \rightarrow what rules do we have to follow? what is bounding us?

To write LP's more concisely, we will often put all variables into a vector and all data related to a constraint into a matrix.

lets define a standard way to write LP's...

Standard Equality Form

• An LP is in SEF if it looks like...

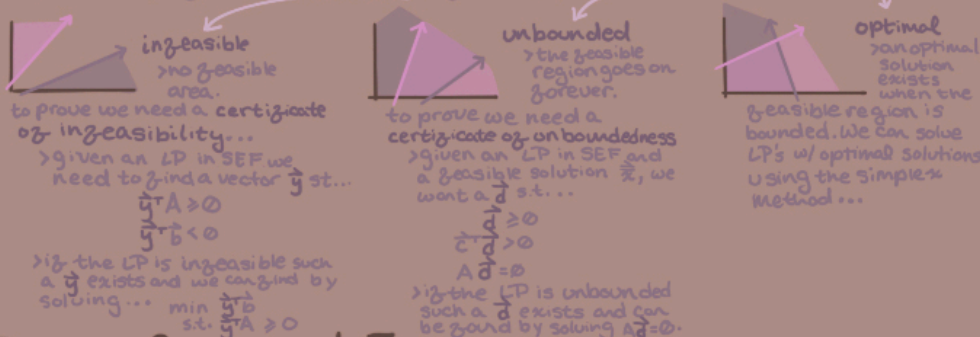
$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \vec{c}^T \vec{x} + \vec{z} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \\ & \vec{x} \geq \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

• Every linear program can be brought into SEF...

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \vec{c}^T \vec{x} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A\vec{x} \leq \vec{b} \\ & \vec{x} \geq \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$
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Solutions

• Now that we have our LP in the correct form lets think about solving it. There are 3 types of solutions... infeasible, unbounded, and optimal.



Basis & Canonical Form

• Before we can learn simplex we need to know some tools.

Basis
if B is a set of n columns and A_B is a submatrix of A w/ the rows corresponding to the n in B , then B is a basis if A_B is square & A_B^{-1} exists.
 N is a set of all the n 's not in B .
 \vec{x}_B is a subvector of \vec{x} w/ elements corresponding to B , similarly \vec{x}_N w/ N .
 \vec{x} is a basic solution if $A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$ and $\vec{x}_N = \vec{0}$.

Canonical Form
given an LP and a basis B the LP is in canonical form for B if...
 $A_B = I$
 $\vec{c}_B = \vec{0}$
given a basis B we can put any LP into canonical form.

lets start by achieving $A_B = I$ by...
 $A\vec{x} = \vec{b} \Rightarrow A_B\vec{x}_B + A_N\vec{x}_N = \vec{b} \Rightarrow \vec{x}_B = B^{-1}(\vec{b} - A_N\vec{x}_N)$
now lets get $\vec{c}_B = \vec{0}$, we get this by combining $z(x) = \vec{c}^T \vec{x}$ and $\vec{0} = \vec{b}^T A\vec{x}$...
 $z(x) = \vec{c}^T \vec{x} + (\vec{0} - \vec{b}^T A)\vec{x}$
now lets choose \vec{g} to ensure $\vec{c}_B = \vec{0}$...
 $\vec{g}^T = \vec{c}_B^T A_B^{-1}$

Simplex Method

steps for Simplex Method

- convert the LP you're solving into SEF. Select a basis B .
- convert the basis to canonical form and find a basic feasible solution s.t. $\vec{x}_B = \vec{b}$ and $\vec{x}_N = \vec{0}$.
if $\vec{c}_N \leq \vec{0}$ and there's a column $k \in N$ w/ $c_k > 0$ & A_{kN} has at least 1 pos. element goto 3.
if $\vec{c}_N \leq \vec{0}$ goto step 4.
if $\vec{c}_N \leq \vec{0}$ and every column $k \in N$ w/ $c_k > 0$ has $A_{kN} \leq \vec{0}$ goto step 5.
- we choose one variable k to enter the basis B and solve $\vec{x}_B + \vec{x}_k A_{kN} = \vec{b} \Rightarrow \vec{x}_k \leq b_i / A_{ik}$
if $A_{ik} < 0 \Rightarrow \vec{x}_k \leq \infty$ and we can ignore those.
if $A_{ik} > 0$ these all serve as upper bounds for \vec{x}_k and we choose the largest value \vec{x}_k enters the basis and $A_{kN} = \vec{0}$ exists. Repeat step 2 w/ new basis.
- if $\vec{c}_N \leq \vec{0}$ then \vec{x} is the optimal solution and $\vec{g}^T \vec{b}$ is the optimal value. End.
- if all $A_{kN} \leq \vec{0}$ then the LP is unbounded and we can construct a certificate of unboundedness as proof. End.

Optimization

2ndal study guide

the shop

lets use what we grew in the garden

A Linear Program

lets apply these concepts we've learned to some actual problems. Lets look at this table w/ info about Lulu + Cici's flower shop...

	pink bouquet	green bouquet	avail.
Flowers	12	8	200
work (hr)	1	1.5	24
profit (\$)	20	25	
demand	00	20	

LP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow x_1$ = pink b's to make
 x_2 = green b's to make

obj \rightarrow max $20x_1 + 25x_2$

cons \rightarrow s.t. $12x_1 + 8x_2 \leq 200$

$x_1 + 1.5x_2 \leq 24$

$x_1 \leq 20$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

maximize profit!

Solving Graphically

if we don't want to use the simplex method we can also solve 2 var. LP's graphically. lets use the example we set up above...

max $20x_1 + 25x_2$

s.t. $12x_1 + 8x_2 \leq 200$

$x_1 + 1.5x_2 \leq 24$

$x_1 \leq 20$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

Feasible Region

optimal solution

now lets look at some types of LP's we could see.

Blending Problem

Lulu and Cici mix their own special flower soil. They buy 3 dig. types of gardening soil and combine them to make 3 dig. types of flower soil...

soil | fertilizer % | silt % | cost \$ | avail.

type1 | 5 | 30 | 25 | 50

type2 | 2 | 10 | 35 | 50

type3 | 3 | 20 | 45 | 50

soil | fert. min. | silt max. | flowers | per flower

type1 | 2 | 15 | 2500 | 4

type2 | 3 | 15 | 5000 | 4

type3 | 1 | 25 | 900 | 3

LP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow g_i$ = amount of garden soil to buy
 f_j = amount of flower soil to make

x_{ij} = amount of soil i used for flower j

$i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$

obj $\rightarrow 4 \cdot 2500 \cdot f_1 + 4 \cdot 5000 \cdot f_2 + 3 \cdot 900 \cdot f_3$

cons \rightarrow (there will be a lot)

$0 \leq g_1, g_2, g_3 \leq 50$

$0 \leq f_1, f_2, f_3$

$g_i = x_{i1} + x_{i2} + x_{i3}$

$f_j = x_{1j} + x_{2j} + x_{3j}$

basics

Multi-period Problem

Lulu and Cici want to grow flowers in good growing seasons and hold them in their fridge (that can hold 40 bushels) to minimize cost. How many flowers should they grow per month?

LP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow x_i$ = flowers grown in month i

S_i = flowers left over and in storage after demand is satisfied in month i .

obj $\rightarrow \min \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot x_i$

const $\rightarrow x_i + S_{i-1} = d_i + S_i$

$x_i \geq 0$

$0 \leq S_i \leq 40$

LP's in Disguise

we obviously can't put non-linear functions into an LP, but what if we could find a way to include versions of these functions...

Minimum

Maximum

absolute value

$|x| = \max\{x, -x\}$

(this can also apply to sums of abs. values!)

Portfolio Optimization

We could use LP's to maximize profit from a stock portfolio. Lets look at some special vocab used in this scenario...

Return Matrix \rightarrow return for every \$1 invested in stock i w/ scenario j occurs. $R = [r_{ij}]$

probability of scenario j is p_j

return in scenario i is $r_i = \sum_{j=1}^n r_{ij} x_j$

expected return is $r_p = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i r_i$

downside risk ins. $i = d_i = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } r_i \geq 0 \\ -r_i, & \text{if } r_i < 0 \end{cases}$

avg. downside risk = ADR = $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i d_i$

the franchise

lets expand on what we have

Integer Programming

An integer program is like an LP but all of the variables are restricted to be 0 or 1. These binary variables can represent a yes or no decision.

Lets use an IP to find the best spots for a Lulu + Cici flower shop franchise...

we have 5 cities to cover and 4 places to build a shop...

local 4

local 3

local 2

local 1

$A_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if shop } j \text{ covers city } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

IP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow x_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if build shop in local } j \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$

obj $\rightarrow \min x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4$

(min # of shops)

const $\rightarrow x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$

$x_2 + x_3 \geq 1$

$x_1 + x_2 \geq 1$

$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 1$

$x_3 + x_4 \geq 1$

$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$

aka...

$A\vec{x} \geq \vec{e}$

IP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if they sell bouquet } i \text{ to person } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

obj $\rightarrow \max \sum_{i=1}^5 \sum_{j=1}^5 A_{ij} x_{ij}$

const $\rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^5 x_{ij} = 1, \forall i$

$\sum_{i=1}^5 x_{ij} \leq 1, \forall j$

$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$

add $\rightarrow y_i \in \{0, 1\}$

obj $\rightarrow \min \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i + c \cdot y_i$

const $\rightarrow 0 \leq x_i \leq M \cdot y_i$

choose M so that x will never exceed it in an optimal sol.

Mixed Integer Programming

Mixed integer programming is when you have a normal LP plus some of the variables are restricted to be binary.

A common MIP is adding a fixed cost to a Multiperiod problem.

Lets look at Lulu and Cici saving flowers during poor growing periods, lets say they incur a fixed cost of \$C if they have to turn their fridge on to store any flowers ($S_i > 0$). Add this factor to the LP...

old LP \rightarrow var $\rightarrow x_i$ = flowers grown in month i

S_i = flowers left over and in storage after demand is satisfied in month i .

add $\rightarrow y_i \in \{0, 1\}$

obj $\rightarrow \min \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i + C \cdot y_i$

const $\rightarrow 0 \leq x_i \leq M \cdot y_i$

choose M so that x will never exceed it in an optimal sol.

Modeling Tricks

when creating MIP we'll probably want to use binary variables to model various logical conditions. Here are a couple we might see...

1 At least 1 of x_1, \dots, x_n is 1

$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \geq 1$

2 At most 1 of x_1, \dots, x_n is 1

$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \leq 1$

3 Exactly 1 of x_1, \dots, x_n is 1

$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = 1$

4 if $x_1 = 1$, then $x_2 = 1$

$x_1 \leq x_2$

5 if $x_1 = 0$, then $x_2 = 1$

$1 - x_1 \leq x_2$

6 if $x_1 = 1$, then $x_2 = 1$ or $x_3 = 1$

$x_1 \leq x_2 + x_3$

7 if $x_1 = 1$, then $x_2 = 1$ and $x_3 = 1$

$2x_1 \leq x_2 + x_3$

8 if $x_1 = 0$, then $x_2 = 1$ and $x_3 = 1$

$1 - x_1 \leq x_2$, $1 - x_1 \leq x_3$

good luck