

Problem 10.2.2

$$1. \langle \tilde{x}, x \rangle = \left| \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \cdot \tilde{x}_i \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m |x_i \cdot \tilde{x}_i| \leq \|\tilde{x}\|_\infty \sum_{i=1}^m |x_i| = \|\tilde{x}\|_\infty \|x\|_1$$

Where equality holds when \tilde{x} is a constant vector $\tilde{x} = \text{sign}(x)$

$$2. h(x) = \|x\|_1 \Rightarrow h^*(x^*) = \sup_{\tilde{x}} \{ \langle x, \tilde{x} \rangle - \|x\|_1 \}$$

$$= \sup_{\|\tilde{x}\|_\infty = 1, \tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{ \langle x, \tilde{x} \rangle - \|x\|_1 \} = \sup_{\|\tilde{x}\|_\infty = 1} \{ \langle x, \tilde{x} \rangle - \|x\|_1 \}$$

$$= \sup_{\|\tilde{x}\|_\infty = 1} \{ \|x\|_1 - \|x\|_1 \} = \sup_{\|\tilde{x}\|_\infty = 1} \{ \|x\|_1 - \|x\|_1 \} = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty > 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$= \delta_{B_1(0)}(x)$$

$$3. \text{ From 1. we have } \langle \tilde{x}, x \rangle \leq \|\tilde{x}\|_\infty \|x\|_1$$

$$\text{we also have } h(x) = \|x\|_1 \text{ and } h^*(x^*) = \delta_{B_1(0)}(x^*)$$

$$= h(x) + h^*(x^*) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{when } \|x\|_\infty > 1 \\ \|x\|_1 & \text{when } \|x\|_\infty \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{if } x^* \in \partial h(x), \text{ by the subgradient equality we have } \langle x^*, x \rangle \geq h(x) + h^*(x^*) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty > 1 \\ \|x\|_1 & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{As } \langle x^*, x \rangle \geq +\infty \text{ is impossible } \Rightarrow \langle x^*, x \rangle \geq \|x\|_1 \text{ and } \|x^*\|_\infty \leq 1$$

$$\text{From 1. we have } \langle x^*, x \rangle \leq \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty. \text{ Given } \|x^*\|_\infty \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle x^*, x \rangle \leq \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{we must have } \langle x^*, x \rangle = \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty = \|x\|_1$$

$$\text{By Fenchel's equality, given } x^* \in \partial h(x), \text{ we have } \langle x^*, x \rangle = h(x) + h^*(x^*) = \|x\|_1 + \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty > 1 \\ \|x\|_1 & \text{if } \|x\|_\infty \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{we have } \langle x^*, x \rangle = h(x) + h^*(x^*)$$

$$= \|x\|_1 = \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x^*\|_\infty = 1 \text{ when } x \neq 0$$

3. Continued

Now given $\|x\|_1, \|x^*\|_\infty = \langle x, x^* \rangle$ and $\|x^*\|_\infty \leq 1$

We know that $h(x) + h^*(x^*) = \|x\|_1$ as previously shown
 We also know that when $x \neq 0$, $\|x^*\|_\infty = 1 \Rightarrow \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|_1$

\Rightarrow we have $h(x) + h^*(x^*) = \langle x^*, x \rangle$ which by fenchel's equality means $x^* \in \partial h(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. f(x) = \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty &\Rightarrow f^*(x) = \sup_{\substack{\langle x, x^* \rangle = \epsilon \\ \|x^*\|_\infty = 1, x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n}} \{ \langle x^*, x \rangle - \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty \} \\ &= \sup_{\substack{x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|x^*\|_\infty = 1 \\ \langle x, x^* \rangle = \epsilon}} \{ \langle x^*, x \rangle - \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty \} = \sup_{\substack{x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \langle x, x^* \rangle = \epsilon}} \{ \langle x^*, x \rangle - \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty \} \\ &= \sup_{\substack{x^* \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \langle x, x^* \rangle = \epsilon}} \{ \frac{1}{\epsilon} \langle x, x^* \rangle - \|x^*\|_\infty \} = \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \frac{1}{\epsilon} \langle x, x^* \rangle > 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \frac{1}{\epsilon} \langle x, x^* \rangle \leq 1 \end{cases} \\ &= \begin{cases} +\infty & \text{if } \|x\|_1 > \epsilon \\ 0 & \text{if } \|x\|_1 \leq \epsilon \end{cases} = \delta_{B_{\epsilon^*}(0)}(x) \end{aligned}$$

By the biconjugate theorem, we have $f(x^*) = f^{**}(x^*)$. Given that $g(x) = f^*(x)$
 $\Rightarrow f^*(x^*) = f(x^*) = g(x^*) = \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty$

$$\begin{aligned} 5. \text{ Again from 1. we have } \langle x^*, x \rangle &\leq \|x\|_1, \|x^*\|_\infty \\ \text{and from 4. we have } g(x) &= \delta_{B_{\epsilon^*}(0)}(x) \text{ and } g^*(x^*) = \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty \\ \Rightarrow g(x) + g^*(x^*) &= \begin{cases} +\infty, \|x\|_1 > \epsilon \\ \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty, \|x\|_1 \leq \epsilon \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Given $x^* \in \partial g(x) \Rightarrow$ By the subgradient inequality we have $\langle x^*, x \rangle \geq g(x) + g^*(x^*)$

Since $\langle x^*, x \rangle \geq +\infty$ is infeasible, we must have $\|x\|_1 \leq \epsilon$
 $\Rightarrow \langle x^*, x \rangle \geq \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty$

From 1. however, we have $\langle x^*, x \rangle \leq \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty \leq \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty$
 \Rightarrow we must have $\langle x^*, x \rangle = \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty = \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty$

By fenchel's equality, we have $\langle x^*, x \rangle = g(x) + g^*(x^*) = \epsilon \|x^*\|_\infty = \|x\|_1 \cdot \|x^*\|_\infty$
 \Rightarrow when $x \neq 0$, $\|x\|_1 = \epsilon$

5. cont

if we have $\langle \hat{\lambda}, \lambda \rangle = \|\lambda\|_1 \cdot \|\hat{\lambda}\|_2$ and $\|\lambda\|_1 \leq \epsilon$

we have $g(\lambda) + g^*(\hat{\lambda}) = \epsilon \|\hat{\lambda}\|_2$, we also have that since $\|\lambda\|_1 = \epsilon$

$$\langle \hat{\lambda}, \lambda \rangle = \epsilon \|\hat{\lambda}\|_2 \Rightarrow g(\lambda) + g^*(\hat{\lambda}) = \langle \hat{\lambda}, \lambda \rangle$$

\Rightarrow By Fenchel's equality, we then have $\hat{\lambda} \in \partial g(\lambda)$

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$$0 \in \partial_{\lambda} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|y - A\lambda\|_2^2 + \delta_{B_{\ell}^c(0)}(\lambda) \right\} \Rightarrow -A^T(y - A\lambda) + \partial_{\lambda} \delta_{B_{\ell}^c(0)}(\lambda) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_{\lambda} \delta_{B_{\ell}^c(0)}(\lambda) = A^T(y - A\lambda) \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} \in \partial_{\lambda} \delta_{B_{\ell}^c(0)}(\lambda) \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} \in N_{B_{\ell}^c(0)}(\lambda)$$

$$0 \in \partial_{\lambda} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|y - A\lambda\|_2^2 + v \|\lambda\|_1 \right\} \Rightarrow -A^T(y - A\lambda) + \partial_{\lambda} v \|\lambda\|_1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \partial_{\lambda} v \|\lambda\|_1 = A^T(y - A\lambda) \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} \in \partial_{\lambda} v \|\lambda\|_1 \Rightarrow \hat{\lambda} \in \partial_{\lambda} v \|\lambda\|_1$$

$$\hat{\lambda} \in \begin{cases} v \operatorname{sign}(\lambda_i) & \text{if } \lambda_i \neq 0 \\ [-v, v] & \text{if } \lambda_i = 0 \end{cases}$$