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Mathematics 2, Part 4, Homework 2

I. Duals and duals and duals

1)

For the first task, as instructed we can rewrite the (D) problem in the standard form:

$$\max_{-A} -b^{\top} y$$
$$-A^{\top} y \le -c$$
$$y \ge 0$$

Then we can dualize according to the given pattern to get:

$$\max -c^{\top} x$$
$$-A^{\top} x \ge -b$$
$$x \ge 0$$

And finally by multiplying with -1, we get back to the (P) problem:

$$\max c^{\top} x$$
$$A^{\top} x \le b$$
$$x \ge 0$$

2)

For this problem we took the (P) and (D) problem from [1]:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{(P):} & \text{(D):} \\ & \min c^\top x & \max b^\top y \\ & Ax = b & A^\top y + s = c \\ & x \geq 0 & s \geq 0, \ y \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

We show that they are dual by starting from the (P) problem.

References

[1] Kurt Mehlhorn and Sanjeev Saxena. A still simpler way of introducing interior-point method for linear programming. *Computer Science Review*, 22:1–11, 2016.