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Optimization, Part 2, A



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Introduction to Linear Optimization Programming Packages

- By the end of this lecture, you will be able to:
 - Address linear optimization problems such to be compatible with Python and MATLAB optimization packages
 - Describe “scipy.optimize.linprog” package in Python
 - Describe ‘linprog’ package in MATLAB

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- Formal linear optimization problem with one objective function

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{subject to} & \begin{cases} g_j(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 & j \in \{1, 2, \dots, J\} \\ h_k(\mathbf{x}) = 0 & k \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\} \end{cases} \end{array} \quad (2-1)$$

where $\mathbf{x} = [x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N]$ include the optimization variables (solution), $f(\mathbf{x})$, $g_j(\mathbf{x})$, and $h_k(\mathbf{x})$ are a linear objective function, linear inequality constraints, and linear equality constraints, respectively, and the rest is similar to Eq. 1-1.

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & \mathbf{C} \cdot \mathbf{x}^T \\ \text{subject to} & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{G} \cdot \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{H} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{L} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{U} \end{array} \right. \end{array} \quad (2-2)$$

where \mathbf{C} is the N -dimensional row vector of multipliers of N optimization variables in objective function, \mathbf{G} is a J by N matrix of multipliers of N optimization variables in J inequality constraints, \mathbf{A} is a J -dimensional column vector of equality constants, \mathbf{H} is a K by N matrix of multipliers of N optimization variables in K inequality constraints, \mathbf{B} is a K -dimensional column vector of equality constants, \mathbf{L} is an N -dimensional row vector of lower bounds of N optimization variables, and \mathbf{U} is an N -dimensional row vector of upper bounds of N optimization variables.

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- Programming packages for linear programming
 - Different annotations

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{such that} \quad & A_{ub} x \leq b_{ub}, \\ & A_{eq} x = b_{eq}, \\ & l \leq x \leq u, \end{aligned}$$

Figure 2-1 Annotations used to address linear optimization problems at <https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.optimize.linprog.html>

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- Programming packages for linear programming

- Python: “scipy.optimize.linprog” at


<https://docs.scipy.org/doc/scipy/reference/generated/scipy.optimize.linprog.html>

- MATLAB: “linprog” at

<https://www.mathworks.com/help/optim/ug/linprog.html>

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- Python: “`scipy.optimize.linprog`”

 SciPy.org

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`scipy.optimize.linprog`

`scipy.optimize.linprog(c, A_ub=None, b_ub=None, A_eq=None, b_eq=None, bounds=None, method='interior-point', callback=None, options=None, x0=None)` [\[source\]](#)

Linear programming: minimize a linear objective function subject to linear equality and inequality constraints.

Linear programming solves problems of the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{such that} \quad & A_{ub} x \leq b_{ub}, \\ & A_{eq} x = b_{eq}, \\ & l \leq x \leq u, \end{aligned}$$

where x is a vector of decision variables; c , b_{ub} , b_{eq} , l , and u are vectors; and A_{ub} and A_{eq} are matrices.

Informally, that's:

minimize:

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linprog

Solve linear programming problems

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Syntax

```
x = linprog(f,A,b)
x = linprog(f,A,b,Aeq,beq)
x = linprog(f,A,b,Aeq,beq,lb,ub)
x = linprog(f,A,b,Aeq,beq,lb,ub,options)
x = linprog(problem)
[x,fval] = linprog( __ )
[x,fval,exitflag,output] = linprog( __ )
[x,fval,exitflag,output,lambdas] = linprog( __ )
```

Description

Linear programming solver

Finds the minimum of a problem specified by

$$\min_x f^T x \text{ such that } \begin{cases} A \cdot x \leq b, \\ Aeq \cdot x = beq, \\ lb \leq x \leq ub. \end{cases}$$

f is a vector and lb and ub are vectors and A and Aeq are matrices

Introduction to Linear Optimization Programming Packages

- In this lecture, you learned about:
 - General formulations of linear optimization problems in Python and MATLAB optimization packages
 - “scipy.optimize.linprog” programming package in Python
 - ‘linprog’ programming package in MATLAB
- In the next lecture, we will practice these programming packages in Python and MATLAB



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