

1. Since we have seen in class the LP and SoCP are special cases of SDP then if we show that SDP is a special case of Linear Conic Programming then we will have shown that LP SoCP are also special cases of Linear Conic Programming.

Linear Conic Programming problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & f_i(x) \in K, \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \\ & h_i(x) = 0 \forall i \in \{1, \dots, k\} \end{aligned}$$

SDP problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & F_0 + \sum x_i F_i \succeq 0 \\ & Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

$S_+^n$  is a proper cone, therefore if we define:

$$f(x) = F_0 + \sum x_i F_i \in S_+^n, \quad h(x) = Ax - b$$

then the following Linear Conic Programming problem is equivalent to an SDP problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & f(x) \in S_+^n \\ & h(x) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

2.

(a) LP:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \\ & Fx \leq d \end{aligned}$$

Let's define the set:

$$\mathcal{A}' = \left\{ A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} : A_{ij} \in \left\{ \hat{A}_{ij} - V_{ij}, \hat{A}_{ij} + V_{ij} \right\} \right\}$$

And the following linear problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax \preceq b \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}' \end{aligned}$$

Now given that  $x$  satisfies the conditions of the linear problem, since  $\mathcal{A}' \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  then clearly  $x$  satisfies the conditions of the robust LP.

Now suppose that  $x$  satisfies the conditions of this linear problem, that is  $Ax \preceq b \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{A}'$ .

Let's take some  $B$  in  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\hat{A}_{ij} - V_i \leq B_{ij} \leq \hat{A}_{ij} + V_i$ .

Let's consider the following element in  $\mathcal{A}'$ :

$$\forall i \in [n], j \in [m], C'_{ij} = \begin{cases} \hat{A}_{ij} + V_{ij} & x_j \geq 0 \\ \hat{A}_{ij} - V_{ij} & x_j < 0 \end{cases}$$

Since we know that  $C'x \preceq b \Rightarrow [C'x]_i \leq b_i \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^m C'_{ij}x_j \leq b_i \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^m C'_{ij}x_j \leq b_i$

$$B_{ij}x_j \leq C'_{ij}x_j \Rightarrow [Bx]_i = \sum_{j=1}^m B_{ij}x_j \leq \sum_{j=1}^m C'_{ij}x_j \leq b_i$$

- (b)  $\sum_i x_i P_i + G \preceq 0$ , Since  $P_i$  and  $G$  are simultaneously diagonalizable there exists  $Q \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  such that :  
 $Q^{-1}P_iQ = D_i, Q^{-1}GQ = F$

$$\sum_i x_i P_i + G \preceq 0 \Leftrightarrow Q^{-1} \left( \sum_i x_i P_i + G \right) Q \preceq 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i x_i Q^{-1}P_iQ + Q^{-1}GQ \preceq 0 \Leftrightarrow \sum_i x_i D_i + F \preceq 0$$

We know that a symmetric matrix is PSD iff it's eigenvalues are all non-negative, and since require a diagonal matrix to be a PSD this is equivalent to it's diagonal elements being non-negative:

$$-\sum_i x_i D_i - F \succeq 0 \Leftrightarrow \forall j \quad -\sum_i x_i [D_i]_{jj} - [F]_{jj} \geq 0$$

And so the given problem is equivalent to the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \forall j \quad -\sum_i x_i [D_i]_{jj} - [F]_{jj} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

3. For the  $l_2$  norm:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_x \quad & \|x\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

Define the vector  $z \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$ ,  $z = \begin{bmatrix} R(x) & I(x) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\|x\|_2 = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (R^2(x_i) + I^2(x_i)) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \left( R^2(x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n I^2(x_i) \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|z\|_2$$

Additionally:

$$Ax = b \Leftrightarrow Re(A) \cdot Re(x) - Im(A) \cdot Im(x) = Re(b) \wedge Re(A) \cdot Im(x) + Im(A) \cdot Re(x) = Im(b) \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\Leftrightarrow Re(A) [z]_{1..n} - Im(A) [z]_{n+1..2n} = Re(b) \wedge Re(A) [z]_{n+1..2n} + Im(A) [z]_{1..n} = Im(b)$$

$$\text{Define the matrix } A' = \begin{bmatrix} Re(A) & -Im(A) \\ Im(A) & Re(A) \end{bmatrix} \text{ and the vector } b' = \begin{bmatrix} Re(b) \\ Im(b) \end{bmatrix}$$

and we get that:

$$A' z = b'$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_x & \|x\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = b \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_z & \|z\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_z & -\|z\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{t,z} & t \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \\ & t = -\|z\|_2 \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{t,z} & t \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \\ & \|z\|_2 \geq -t \end{array}$$

For  $l_1$  norm:

Define the vectors  $z_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $z_i = \begin{bmatrix} R(x_i) & I(x_i) \end{bmatrix}$  and the vector  $z \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} = \begin{bmatrix} R(x) & I(x) \end{bmatrix}$

$$z_i \in \mathbb{R}^2, z_i = \begin{bmatrix} R(x_i) & I(x_i) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}^2(x_i) + \operatorname{Im}^2(x_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \|z_i\|_2$$

$$Ax = b \Leftrightarrow \operatorname{Re}(A) \cdot [z_i]_1 - \operatorname{Im}(A) \cdot [z_i]_2 = \operatorname{Re}(b) \wedge \operatorname{Re}(A) \cdot [z_i]_2 + \operatorname{Im}(A) \cdot [z_i]_1 = \operatorname{Im}(b)$$

Define the matrix  $A' = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(A) & -\operatorname{Im}(A) \\ \operatorname{Im}(A) & \operatorname{Re}(A) \end{bmatrix}$  and the vector  $b' = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(b) \\ \operatorname{Im}(b) \end{bmatrix}$  and we get that:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_x & \|x\|_1 \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = b \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{z_i} & - \sum_{i=1}^n \|z_i\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & \operatorname{Re}(A) [z]_1 - \operatorname{Im}(A) [z]_2 = \operatorname{Re}(b) \\ & \operatorname{Re}(A) [z]_2 - \operatorname{Im}(A) [z]_1 = \operatorname{Im}(b) \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{z_i, t_i} & - \sum_{i=1}^n t_i \\ \text{s.t.} & t_i \leq \|z_i\|_2 \\ & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

For  $l_\infty$  norm:

Define the vectors  $z_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $z_i = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(x_i) & \operatorname{Im}(x_i) \end{bmatrix}$ , and the vector  $z \in \mathbb{R}^{2n} = \begin{bmatrix} \operatorname{Re}(x) & \operatorname{Im}(x) \end{bmatrix}$

$$\|x\|_\infty = \max |x_i| = \max \|z_i\|_2$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_x & \|x\|_\infty \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_x & \|x\|_\infty \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_{z_i} & \max \|z_i\|_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & A' z = b' \end{array} \Leftrightarrow$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z_i} \quad & -\|z_i\|_2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A' z = b' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z_i, t_i} \quad & t_i \quad \Leftrightarrow \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A' z = b' \\ & t_i \geq -\|z_i\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 4. \quad & \min_x \max_{\delta A, \delta b : \|\delta A \quad \delta b\|_F \leq 1} \|(A + \delta A)x - (b - \delta b)\|_2 \\ & (A + \delta A)x = A(1 + \delta)x = A\delta \frac{1+\delta}{\delta}x, (b - \delta b) = b\delta \frac{1-\delta}{\delta} \\ & \text{define } A' = [\delta A \quad \delta b], q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+\delta}{\delta}x \\ -\frac{1-\delta}{\delta} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and it holds that :} \end{aligned}$$

$$\|A' q\|_2 = \|(1 + \delta)Ax - b(1 - \delta)\|_2 = \|(A + \delta A)x - (b - \delta b)\|_2 \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{\delta A, \delta b : \|\delta A \quad \delta b\|_F \leq 1} \|(A + \delta A)x - (b - \delta b)\|_2 = \\ & \max_{\delta A, \delta b : \|\delta A \quad \delta b\|_F \leq 1} \|A' q\|_2 = \|q\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

Where the optimal  $A^*$  is given by:  $A^* = [\delta A \quad \delta b] = \frac{uq^T}{\|u\|_2 \|q\|_2}$