

# Convex Optimization

## C2 Review Test

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### Answers

Ques 4 Sol<sup>n</sup>

The equation of dual problem are as follows:→

$$2y_1 - 3y_2 - n_1 = 2$$

$$y_1 + y_2 - n_2 = 16$$

$$-y_1 + 2y_2 - n_3 = 2$$

Now, given the values of  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ ,

Here, first of all we calculate the value of the slack variables  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ . The solution needs to be feasible in order to optimal. In this case that means the decision and slack variables, all should be greater than or equal to zero. Next, it is optimal whenever an  $x_i$  or  $s_i$  is non-zero.

Now complementary slackness says the corresponding  $n_j$  or  $y_i$  must be 0. We see that what's left of the equation of the dual when those variables are set to 0.

to 0. If we can find a solution that is feasible, then we conclude the alleged solution is optimal. If there's not a feasible solution, it isn't.

We shall discuss with case.

☆☆ For solution to be feasible all decision



1st case  $\rightarrow$  with  $x_1 = 6, x_2 = 0$  and  $x_3 = 12$

and  $s_1 = 3$ . This is not feasible  
therefore it is not optimal.

2nd case  $\rightarrow$  with  $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 5, s_1 = 0$   
and  $s_2 = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  the solution of the primal is feasible.  
From complementary slackness,  $n_2 = 0$   
and  $n_3 = 0$ . So, the equation of dual  
become

$$2y_1 - 3y_2 - n_1 = 2 \quad \text{--- (I)}$$

$$y_1 + y_2 = 16 \quad \text{--- (II)}$$

$$-y_1 + 2y_2 = 2 \quad \text{--- (III)}$$

Now from the <sup>eqn</sup> 2nd and 3rd,  $y_1 = 10, y_2 = 6$   
and then from the first  $n_1 = 0$ .

$\Rightarrow$  All  $\geq 0$ . Hence the solution of the  
dual is feasible.

$\Rightarrow$  Case 2 is feasible and optimal as  
well.

Case 3 With  $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 6, s_1 = 3$  and  
 $s_2 = 0$ . Then the solution of primal  
is feasible.

From complementary slackness,  $n_3 = 0$   
and  $y_1 = 0$ . So the equation of dual  
become as follows:

$$-3y_2 - n_1 = 2 \quad \text{--- (IV)}$$

$$+y_2 - n_2 = 16 \quad \text{--- (V)}$$

$$+2y_2 = 2 \quad \text{--- (VI)}$$



The (vi)th and the last equation says  $y_2 = 1$  then from the (iv)th equation  $n_1 = -5$ .

The solution of the dual is not feasible. Since solution is not feasible, so Case 3 is not optimal.

In the last part, we again take  $x_1 = 0$ ,  $x_2 = 0$  and  $x_3 = 6$ , so  $s_1 = 3$  and  $s_2 = 0$  but  $c_2$  and  $c_3$  are unspecified ( $\because c_1$  is kept at 2). With complementary slackness telling us  $n_3 = 0$  and  $y_1 = 0$ . the eq<sup>n</sup> of dual becomes

$$-3y_2 - n_1 = 2 \quad \text{--- (V)} \quad (11)$$

$$+y_2 - n_2 = c_2 \quad \text{--- (VI)} \quad (12)$$

$$+2y_2 = c_3 \quad \text{--- (VII)} \quad (13)$$

But here, if  $y_2 \geq 0$  and  $n_1 \geq 0$ . the left side of the (v)th eq<sup>n</sup>  $\leq 0$ . So This is impossible. There are no such values of  $c_2$  and  $c_3$ .



Ques 1

$$f(x) = (x_1 + 2x_2 - 7)^2 + (2x_1 + x_2 - 5)^2$$

$$\text{given } x' = [9, 8]^T$$

sol<sup>n</sup>

$$g(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 2(x_1 + 2x_2 - 7) + 2(2x_1 + x_2 - 5) \\ 2(x_1 + 2x_2 - 7)(2) + 2(2x_1 + x_2 - 5) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$H(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2+8 & 4+4 \\ 4+4 & 8+2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 8 \\ 8 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

As we see that  $H(x)$  is always positive definite. So we have no issues that will occur and hence we can continue.

~~$$H^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$~~

$$H^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \left[ \because \text{here } g^k = g(x^k) \right]$$

$$\therefore d' = -(H^2)^{-1} g$$

$$d' = -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 120 \\ 114 \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 114 \\ 90 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$\therefore x^2 = x' + \alpha d'$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 9 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} + 1 \left( -\frac{1}{18} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 114 \\ 90 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{9}{8} - \begin{pmatrix} \frac{16}{2} \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$$



As  $g'(x) = 0$ , for only one value that is  $x_1 = 1$  and  $y_1 = 3$ . So we have to do one more iteration.

So, Here we go.

$$d_2 = -(H_x)^{-1} g^2$$

$$\Rightarrow d_2 = -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -4 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{50}{3} \\ \frac{40}{3} \end{bmatrix} = -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 30 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore x^3 = x^2 + a_2 d_2$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{3} \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} + -\frac{1}{18} \begin{bmatrix} 30 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{3} & -30 \\ 3 & \\ 3 & 18 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{3} & -5 \\ 3 & \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{we get } x^3 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Also, } g(x^3) = 0$$

and  $H(x^3)$  is positive definite.

Hence  $x^3$  is local minima

(ii) After 2 iteration using newton's method, my function returns the optimal value (minimum)

(iii) Yes, the minimum is the global minimum as  $g(x)$  is a linear equation that can only have one root.



Ques 3
KKT Condition

Given general problem

$$\min f(x)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

 subject to  $h_i(x) \leq 0 ; i=1, \dots, m$ 
 $l_j(x) \leq 0 ; j=1, \dots, r$ 
 $x$ , KKT Conditions are

$$\Rightarrow 0 \in \partial f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i \partial h_i(x) + \sum_{j=1}^r \nu_j \partial l_j(x)$$

(Stationarity)

$$\Rightarrow \mu_i h_i(x) = 0 \quad \forall i \text{ (complementary slackness)}$$

$$\Rightarrow h_i(x) \leq 0, l_j(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall i, j \text{ (primal feasibility)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i \text{ (dual feasibility)}$$

Necessity

If  $x^*$  and  $\mu^*, \nu^*$  are primal and dual and with 0 duality gap then  $x^*, \mu^*, \nu^*$  satisfy under KKT Condition.

If  $x^*$  and  $\mu^*, \nu^*$  satisfy the KKT condition then  $x^*, \mu^*, \nu^*$  are primal and dual solution.

In summary, KKT Condition remains -

- (i) always sufficient
- (ii) ~~is~~ necessary under strong duality



Continue

Ques 3

Sol<sup>n</sup>

As we see in newton step for  $\min_x f(x)$  subject to  $Ax=b$

This is convex problem, so no inequality constraints. So by KKT condition  $x$  is a sol<sup>n</sup> if and only if

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

For some  $u$ . Linear system combines ~~stationary~~ stationarity, primal feasibility.

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Stationary Condition can be obtained by

$$\nabla_x l(x, u) = 0$$

Using derivative properties

$$\boxed{Qx + b + A^T u = 0}$$

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Primal feasibility  $\boxed{Ax = b}$

Stationarity Condition and primal feasibility can be combined as

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q & A^T \\ A & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ u \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -b \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$



Ques 2 Sol<sup>n</sup> If  $A$  has negative eigen value  
if  $A > 0 \Rightarrow$  unique global solution

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \alpha_k \nabla f(x_k)$$

To find  $\alpha_k \geq 0$  to minimize  $f(x_{k+1})$

$$\text{Let } g(\alpha) = f(x_k - \alpha \nabla f(x_k))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (x_k - \alpha \nabla f(x_k))^T Q (x_k - \alpha \nabla f(x_k)) - b^T (x_k - \alpha \nabla f(x_k)) \right]$$

we can see  $g(\alpha)$  is quadratic and concave.

$$g(\alpha) = a\alpha^2 + d\alpha + c$$

$$\Rightarrow \min(g(\alpha)) \text{ will be at } -\frac{d}{2a}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \nabla f^T(x_k) Q \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$d = (b^T - x_k^T Q) \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$= -\nabla f^T(x_k) \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_k = \frac{\nabla f^T(x_k) \nabla f(x_k)}{\nabla f^T(x_k) Q \nabla f(x_k)}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{\nabla f^T(x_k) \nabla f(x_k)}{\nabla f^T(x_k) Q \nabla f(x_k)} \nabla f(x_k)$$

$$\text{where } \nabla f(x_k) = Qx_k - b$$