

Exercise 2

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Problem 1

a) $f(x) = x_1^3 + 3x_1x_2^2$

Want to solve $f(x+p) = f(x) + \nabla f(x+\alpha p)^T p$ for α

with $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $p = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$,

$$f(x+p) = f\left(\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right) = 2^3 + 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1^2 = 8 + 6 = 14$$

$$f(x) = 0$$

$$\nabla f(x+\alpha p) = \nabla f(\alpha p)$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{c} 3x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 \\ 6x_1x_2 \end{array} \right) \Big|_{x=\alpha p}$$

$$= \left(\begin{array}{c} 3\alpha^2 \cdot 2^2 + 3\alpha^2 \cdot 1^2 \\ 6 \cdot \alpha \cdot 2 \cdot \alpha \cdot 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 15\alpha^2 \\ 12\alpha^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \nabla f(x+\alpha p)^T p = \begin{pmatrix} 15\alpha^2 \\ 12\alpha^2 \end{pmatrix}^T \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 42\alpha^2$$

From this we see that

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\frac{14}{42}} = \underline{\underline{0.577}} \in (0, 1)$$

satisfies the condition.

b) Since $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0^+$, the Lipschitz constant would have to be infinite.

More formally:

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x) - f(0)\| &\leq L \|x - 0\| \\ \Rightarrow L &\geq \frac{\|f(x) - f(0)\|}{\|x\|} \xrightarrow{x \rightarrow 0} \left\| \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \right\|_{x=0} \end{aligned}$$

When $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$, we have $\frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}$

$$\Rightarrow L \geq \left\| \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} \right\| \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0.$$

Problem 2

Say that λ is the Lagrange multipliers associated with $Ax \leq b$ and s are the ones associated with $x \geq 0$.

Then

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \lambda, s) = c^T x - \lambda^T (Ax - b) - s^T x$$

$$\nabla_x \mathcal{L} = 0 \text{ gives}$$

$$c - A^T \lambda - s = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T \lambda + s = c \quad (\text{KKT-1})$$

The equality constraint gives

$$Ax = b \quad (\text{KKT-2})$$

Inequality constraint gives

$$x \geq 0 \quad (\text{KKT-3})$$

$$s \geq 0 \quad (\text{KKT-4})$$

$$s^T x = 0 \quad (\text{KKT-5})$$

Problem 3

a) Let x_R, x_S, x_T by the amount of tonnes produced of R, S, and T.

Then profit is given by

$$P(x) = 100x_R + 75x_S + 55x_T.$$

Let t_A, t_B denote time utilized in stage A and B.

$$t_A = 3x_R + 2x_S + x_T = 7200$$

$$t_B = 2x_R + 2x_S + 3x_T = 6000.$$

As an LP problem:

$$\text{max } 100x_R + 75x_S + 55x_T$$

$$\text{s.t. } 3x_R + 2x_S + x_T = 7200$$

$$2x_R + 2x_S + 3x_T = 6000.$$

By writing $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_R & x_S & x_T \end{pmatrix}^T$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 7200 & 6000 \end{pmatrix}^T$$

$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 100 & 75 & 55 \end{pmatrix}^T$$

we can reformulate this as

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} -Cx$$

$$\text{s.t. } Ax = b, x \geq 0$$

b) There are three candidates for basic feasible points.

$$1) B = \{1, 2\} \Rightarrow x_3 = x_T = 0$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2) B = \{1, 3\} \Rightarrow x_2 = x_S = 0$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) B = \{2, 3\} \Rightarrow x_1 = x_R = 0$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

These B -matrices are all nonsingular so we proceed to find the BFPs.

(1) gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_R \\ x_S \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7200 \\ 6000 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_T = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} 1200 \\ 1800 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(2) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_R \\ x_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7200 \\ 6000 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_S = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{15600}{7} \\ 0 \\ \frac{3600}{7} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(3) \quad \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_S \\ x_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7200 \\ 6000 \end{pmatrix}, \quad x_R = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3900 \\ -600 \end{pmatrix} \text{ which is } \underline{\text{not}} \text{ feasible.}$$

The two basic feasible points are

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1200 \\ 1800 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} 15600/7 \\ 0 \\ 3600/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

(1)

(2)

c) KKT of (1): $A^T \lambda + s = c$

$$Ax = b \quad \checkmark$$

$$\lambda \geq 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$s \geq 0$$

$$x_i s_i = 0 \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, 3. \quad \checkmark$$

Since $x_1 \neq 0$ and $x_2 \neq 0$, we must have

$$s_1 = s_2 = 0.$$

This gives $A^T \lambda + s = c$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ s_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 100 \\ 75 \\ 55 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 25, \lambda_2 = 25/2$$

$$s_3 = 55 - 1 \cdot 25 - 3 \cdot \frac{25}{2} = -7.5$$

This doesn't satisfy $s \geq 0$ so it fails
the KKT conditions.

KKT of (2): $A^T \lambda + s = c$

$$Ax = b \quad \checkmark$$

$$x \geq 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$s \geq 0$$

$$x_i s_i = 0 \text{ for } i=1,\dots,3.$$

We must require $s_1 = s_3 = 0$ since $x_1 \neq 0$ and $x_3 \neq 0$.
This gives

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s_2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 100 \\ 75 \\ 55 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \frac{190}{7}, \lambda_2 = \frac{65}{7}$$

$$s_2 = 75 - 2 \cdot \frac{190}{7} - 2 \cdot \frac{65}{7} = \frac{15}{7}$$

With this we get $\lambda \geq 0, s \geq 0, A^T \lambda + s = c$
so KKT are satisfied.

Thus the solution is

$$x^* = \begin{pmatrix} 15600/7 \\ 0 \\ 3600/7 \end{pmatrix}$$

d) The dual problem is

$$\max b^T \lambda \quad \text{s.t. } A^T \lambda \leq c$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \max (7200 \ 6000) \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \leq \begin{pmatrix} 100 \\ 75 \\ 55 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$e) c^T x^* = (100 \ 75 \ 55) \begin{pmatrix} 15600/7 \\ 0 \\ 3600/7 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1758000}{7}$$

$$b^T \lambda^* = (7200 \ 6000) \begin{pmatrix} 100/7 \\ 65/7 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1758000}{7}$$

f) Since $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$ and λ_1 corresponds to stage A, it would be better to make stage A more available.

Increasing stage A to 7201 makes the solution be given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_R \\ x_T \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 7201 \\ 6000 \end{pmatrix} \quad x_S = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x^* = (2229 \ 0 \ 514)^T$$

$$\Rightarrow c^T x^* = 251170$$

Increasing stage B to 6001 gives

$$x^* = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 7200 \\ 6001 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1758069}{7}$$

Increasing A improved solution by ~ 27 NOK

Increasing B — | | — ~ 9 NOK

This was expected since $\lambda_1 \propto 3 \cdot \lambda_2$.