

Sandsynlighedsteori og Lineær algebra

Workshop 4 - Linear optimization

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Exercise 1 - Explain why the objective function does not satisfy the definition of a linear transformation.

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

$$-1 \cdot f(x) \neq f(-1 \cdot x)$$

$$-1 \cdot f(1) = -1$$

$$f(-1 \cdot 1) = 1$$

$$\text{Hence, } -1 \cdot f(1) \neq f(-1 \cdot 1)$$

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Exercise 3 - Determining all 10 basic solutions and select out of them 5 feasible basic solutions

$$\tilde{A}\tilde{x} = b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & -1 & -2 & -3 & -4 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

The 10 basic solutions are therefore:

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{10}{1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & x_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{10}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & x_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & x_4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{4} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{5} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_7 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{-2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_8 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_8 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{-3} & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_9 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{-4} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\tilde{A} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & x_{10} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad s_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{10}{-5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$s_6, s_7, s_8, s_9, s_{10}$ are not feasible solutions because they contains negative entries. Therefore the remaining s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5 are feasible solutions with the best solution being s_5 because:

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Exercise 4 - Converting the problem (1) to a linear optimization problem in canonical form

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize} && \tilde{c} \cdot \tilde{x}, \\ &\text{subject to} && \\ &&& \tilde{A}\tilde{x} = b, \\ &&& \tilde{x} \geq 0. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Converted to canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize} && -\tilde{c} \cdot \tilde{x}, \\ &\text{subject to} && \\ &&& \tilde{A}\tilde{x} \leq b, \\ &&& -\tilde{A}\tilde{x} \leq -b, \\ &&& \tilde{x} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise 5 - Writing down the dual problem for the linear optimization problem in canonical form.

Converted to canonical form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && -\tilde{c} \cdot \tilde{x}, \\ & \text{subject to} && \\ & && \tilde{A}\tilde{x} \leq b, \\ & && -\tilde{A}\tilde{x} \leq -b, \\ & && \tilde{x} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Converting it into a dual problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && b \cdot y_1 - b \cdot y_2, \\ & \text{subject to} && \\ & && \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{A} \\ -\tilde{A} \end{bmatrix}^T y \geq -\tilde{c} \\ & && y \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

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Exercise 5 - Sketching the feasible set for the dual problem and solve it graphically (continuation).

The feasible set sketched is:

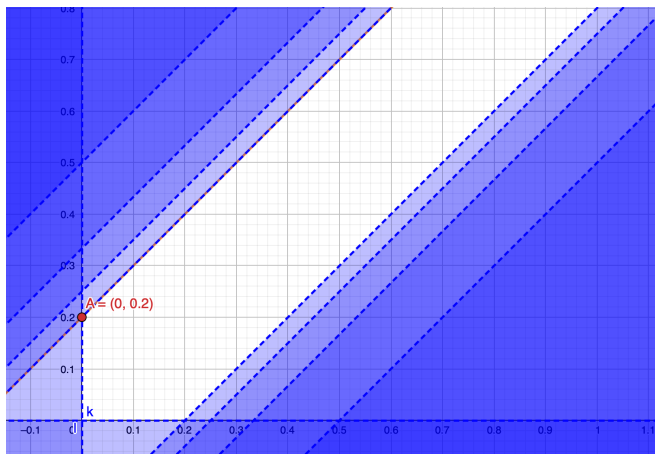
$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{minimize} & [10] \cdot y_1 - [10] \cdot y_2, \\ \text{subject to} & \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -2 \\ 3 & -3 \\ 4 & -4 \\ 5 & -5 \\ -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \\ -3 & 3 \\ -4 & 4 \\ -5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} y \geq \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y \geq 0.$$

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Exercise 5 - Sketching the feasible set for the dual problem and solve it graphically (continuation). Do we obtain the same optimal value as in question 3?



- We obtain the value $10 \cdot 0 - 10 \cdot 0.2 = -2$.
- Yes, we obtain the same value: $-(-2) = 2$.