

## Homework 2

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### 1 HW 1

#### 1.1 Problem Retatement

Consider a linear programming

$$\begin{aligned} \min & c^T(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = b \\ & x \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(i) show its Lagrange dual problem

(ii) Using its KKT conditions to show that the strong duality holds.

#### 1.2 Answer

(i):

The primal problem is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \min & c^T(x) \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax = b \\ & -x \preceq 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, the Lagrange Function:

$$L(x, \lambda, v) = c^T + \lambda^T(-x) + v^T(Ax - b)$$

Lagrange Dual Function:

$$\begin{aligned} g(\lambda, v) &= \inf_x L(x, \lambda, v) = \inf_x \{c^T x + v^T(Ax - b) - \lambda^T x\} \\ &= \inf_x \{(c^T + v^T A - \lambda)x - v^T b\} \\ &= \begin{cases} -v^T b & , c + A^T v - \lambda = 0 \\ -\infty & , \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Lagrange Dual Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_x \quad & -v^T b \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & c + A^T v - \lambda = 0 \\ & \lambda \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(2)

KKT condition is:

$$\begin{cases} c - \tilde{\lambda} + A^T \tilde{v} = 0 \\ A\tilde{x} = b, \tilde{x} \succeq 0 \\ \tilde{x} - b = 0 \\ \tilde{\lambda}_i \tilde{x}_i = 0 \\ \tilde{\lambda} \succeq 0 \end{cases}$$

Let  $\tilde{x}, \tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}$  satisfy the KKT condition

Consider  $L(x, \lambda, v) = c^T x - \lambda^T x + v^T (Ax - b)$  is affine to  $x$ , so the  $\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}$  make  $L$  touch the minimum, so  $\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}$  satisfy

$$g(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}) = \inf_x L(x, \tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v})$$

If choose  $x = \tilde{x}$  then  $g(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}) = c^T \tilde{x} - \tilde{\lambda}^T \tilde{x} + \tilde{v}^T (A\tilde{x} - b)$

consider  $\tilde{\lambda}_i \tilde{x}_i = 0$ , so

$$\Rightarrow g(\tilde{\lambda}, \tilde{v}) = c^T \tilde{x} - f_0(\tilde{x})$$

At this point, the primal problem and the dual problem have the same solution, consider  $q^* - p^* \geq 0$ , so the dual gap is 0

## 2 HW 2

### 2.1 Problem Restatement

Consider the following linear programming

$$\begin{aligned} \min & -5x_1 - x_2 \\ \text{s.t. } & x_1 + x_2 \leq 5, \\ & 2x_1 + x_2/2 \leq 8, \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Add slack variables  $x_3$  and  $x_4$  to convert this problem to standard form
- (ii) Implement the simplex method to solve this problem
- (iii) Implement the interior point method to solve this problem

### 2.2 Answer

- (1) The primal problem is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \min & -5x_1 - x_2 + 0x_3 + 0x_4 \\ \text{s.t. } & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5, \\ & 2x_1 + x_2/2 + x_4 = 8, \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0, x_4 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

this same is as the standard form:

$$\begin{aligned} \min & c^T x \\ \text{s.t. } & Ax = b, \\ & x \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

In which, the  $c = (-5, -1, 0, 0)^T$ ,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $b = (5, 8)$

- (2) Apply the Simplex Method to solve this problem ,the detail of the code is available at the appendix, the answer is in the Figure 1 :

```
[3]: 1 #求一个初值x0
      2 x0=Find_x0(A=A,c=c,b=b)
      3
      4 #使用单纯形法计算
      5 res=SimplexMethod(c=c,A=A,b=b,x0=x0)
      6 print("最优值: ",res[0])
      7 print("点x: ",res[1])

最优值: -20.0
点x: [4. 0. 1. 0.]
```

Figure 1: The answer using simplex method

as Figure 1 shows, the optimal point is  $(4, 0, 1, 0)^T$ , and the solution is  $-20$

(3) Apply the Interior Point Method to solve this problem, the detail of the code is available at the appendix, the answer is as the Figure 2

```
[6]: 1 ## 用内点法计算
      2 # 先求最优值函数初值
      3 x0, lambda0, v0, u0 = FindInitialPoint(A, b, c)
      4
      5 # 利用内点法计算
      6 optval, x = InteriorPointMethod(A, b, c, x0, lambda0, v0, u0, epsilon=1e-11)
      7 print("最优值: ", optval)
      8 print("点x:", x)
```

最优值: -19.999999999989644  
点x: [4.00000000e+00 2.09335659e-11 1.00000000e+00 2.04908898e-12]

Figure 2: The answer using interior method

as Figure 2 shows, the optimal point is about  $(4, 0, 1, 0)^T$ , and the solution is about  $-20$

### 3 HW 3

#### 3.1 Problem Restatement

First, recall the support vector machine in the lecture notes. Then consider the following relaxed linear SVM model

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{w, b, \xi} \quad & \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i(\langle w, x_i \rangle + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i \\ & \xi_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

where C is a constant

Please show its Lagrange dual problem

#### 3.2 Answer

Lagrange Function:

$$L(w, b, \xi, \alpha, \lambda) = f_0(x) - \sum \alpha_i (\xi_i - 1 + y_i(\langle w, x_i \rangle + b)) - \sum \lambda_i \xi_i$$

KKT condition:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla_w L = w - \sum \alpha_i y_i x_i = 0 \\ \nabla_\xi L = c \mathbf{1} - \sum \alpha_i - \sum \lambda_i \\ \nabla_b L = \sum \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ \alpha_i \geq 0 \\ \lambda_i \geq 0 \\ \alpha_i [y_i (\langle w, x_i \rangle + b) + \xi_i - 1] = 0 \\ \xi_i \lambda_i = 0 \\ y_i (\langle w, x_i \rangle + b) + \xi_i - 1 \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Take  $w = \sum \alpha_i y_i x_i$ , We can get lagrang dual problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \frac{\|w\|^2}{2} + C \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i - \sum \alpha_i (\xi_i - 1 + y_i(\langle \sum \alpha_i y_i x_i, x_i \rangle + b)) - \sum \lambda_i \xi_i \\ = \quad & \frac{\|\sum \alpha_i x_i y_i\|^2}{2} + C \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i - \sum \alpha_i (\xi_i - 1 + y_i(\langle \sum \alpha_i y_i x_i, x_i \rangle + b)) - \sum \lambda_i \xi_i \\ = \quad & \sum_i \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \langle x_i, x_j \rangle + \sum \alpha_i - b \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n (c - \alpha_i - \lambda_i) \xi_i \end{aligned}$$

for  $\alpha_i y_i = 0$  and  $c - \alpha_i - \lambda_i = 0$  the Lagrange Dual Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\alpha} \quad & \sum_i \sum_j -\frac{1}{2} \alpha_i \alpha_j y_i y_j \langle x_i, x_j \rangle + \sum \alpha_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum \alpha_i y_i = 0 \\ & \alpha_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## 4 HW 4

### 4.1 Problem Restatement

Implement the interior point method to solve

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 - 2x_1 - 6x_2 - 2x_1x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1}{2} + \frac{x_2}{2} \leq 1 \\ & -x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2 \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

### 4.2 Answer

Whether the primal problem is convex or not is difficult to find out, but the primal problem can be changed to the standard QP form, then implement the standard interior point method to solve this problem .

take  $x_1' = x_1 - x_2$ , write the problem as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1'^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1' - 8x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1'}{2} + x_2 \leq 1 \\ & -x_1' + x_2 \leq 2 \\ & x_1 - x_2 = x_1' \\ & x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

add slack constraints  $s_1, s_2$ , and let  $s_3 = x_1, s_4 = x_2$  the problem can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1'^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1' - 8x_2 - u \left( \sum_i^4 \log s_i \right) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1'}{2} + x_2 + s_1 = 1 \\ & -x_1' + x_2 + s_2 = 2 \\ & -x_1' - x_2 + s_3 = 0 \\ & -x_2 + s_4 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The objective function can be written as

$$\min \left( x_1' - 1 \right)^2 + (x_2 - 4)^2 - 17 - u \left( \sum_i^4 \log s_i \right)$$

So, I get the standard form

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \|Ax - b\|^2 - u \left( \sum_i^4 \log s_i \right) - 17 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Cx + S = d \end{aligned}$$

in which

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Apply the Interior Point Method to solve this problem ,the detail of the code is available at the appendix, the answer is in the Figure 3

```
[9]: 1 # 求一个初值
      2 x0,s0,v0,u0=FindInitialPoint(A,b,C,d)
      3
      4 #求一个最优值
      5 res=InteriorPointMethod(A,b,C,d,s0,v0,x0,u0,epsilon=1e-5)
      6 print("最优值: ",res[0]-17)
      7 print("x: ",res[1])
      8 print("s:",res[2])

最优值: -7.19999287434786
x: [-0.39998831  1.19999288]
s: [1.27240443e-06 4.00018809e-01 8.00004573e-01 1.19999288e+00]
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Figure 3: The answer using Interior Point Method

As the answer shows, the solution is  $-7.199999$ , the  $x'_1 = -0.399$ , the  $x_2 = 1.999$ , the  $x_1 = s_3 = 0.8$



## 5 HW 5

### 5.1 Problem Restatement

The problem of finding the shortest distance from a point  $x_0$  to the hyperplane  $x|Ax = b$ , where  $A$  has full row rank, can be formulated as the quadratic program

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|x_0 - x\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \end{aligned}$$

(i) Show that the optimal Lagrange multiplier is

$$v^* = (AA^T)^{-1}(Ax_0 - b)$$

(ii) Show that optimal solution is

$$x^* = x_0 - A^T(AA^T)^{-1}(Ax_0 - b)$$

### 5.2 Answer

(1)

Lagrange:

$$L(x, v) = \frac{1}{2} \|x_0 - x\|^2 + v^T(Ax - b)$$

Lagrange Dual Function:

$$g(v) = \inf_x L(x, v)$$

$$\nabla_x L = -(x_0 - x) + A^T v = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = x_0 - A^T v$$

get :

$$\begin{aligned} g(v) &= \inf_x L(x, v) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|A^T v\|^2 + v^T(A(x_0 - A^T v) - b) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|A^T v\|^2 + v^T Ax_0 - v^T AA^T v - v^T b \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \|A^T v\|^2 + v^T Ax_0 - v^T b \end{aligned}$$

The Lagrange dual problem:

$$\max_v -\frac{1}{2} \|A^T v\|^2 + v^T Ax_0 - v^T b$$

for:

$$\nabla_v g = -AA^T v + Ax_0 - b = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow v = (AA^T)^{-1}(Ax_0 - b)$$

So  $v = v^* = (AA^T)^{-1}(Ax_0 - b)$

(ii):

In the primal problem ,the  $f_0 = \frac{1}{2}\|x_0 - x\|^2$  the  $\nabla^2 f_0 = 1 > 0$ ,and the constraint  $Ax = b$  is affine . So The problem is convex.

KKT condition:

$$\begin{cases} x^* - x_0 + A^T v = 0 \\ Ax = b \end{cases}$$

Take the  $x^* = x_0 - A^T v^*$ ,satisfy the KKT condition ,the optimal solution check.

## 参考文献