

SDP Dual form

$$\min c^T x$$

$$\lambda_{\max}(F(x)) \leq 0$$

or

$$\min c^T x$$

$$F(x) \preceq 0$$

(not in standard convex form)

Matrix Dual variable: $Y \in S^n$

$$L(x, Y) = c^T x + \langle F(x), Y \rangle$$

$$= c^T x + \sum_{i,j} [F(x)]_{ij} Y_{ij}$$

$$= c^T x + \text{Tr}(GY) + \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \text{Tr}(F_i Y)$$

Observe: $L(x, Y)$ affine in x & Y

$$\min_x L(x, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^m \min_{x_i} x_i (c_i + \text{Tr}(F_i Y)) + \text{Tr}(GY)$$

$$\min_{x_i} x_i (c_i + \text{Tr}(F_i Y)) = \begin{cases} 0 & c_i + \text{Tr}(F_i Y) \geq 0 \\ -\infty & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

(dual)

$$\max \text{Tr}(GY)$$

$$c_i + \text{Tr}(F_i Y) = 0$$

$$Y \succeq 0$$

P.S.D.

Dual of SDP is also an SDP

$$y = \text{vec}(Y) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2}$$

$$\text{Tr}(GY) = g^T y \quad g = \text{vec}(G)$$

$$\text{Tr}(F_i Y) = f_i^T y$$

$$\text{Then } Y = \underbrace{\sum_{i,j} 1_{ij} Y_{ij}}_{\text{LMI form}} \geq 0$$

$$1_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(i,j)-th entry

$$\begin{aligned} & \max g^T y \\ & f_i^T y + c_i = 0 \\ & H(y) = \sum 1_{ij} Y_{ij} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

also LMI