

Please submitted by Saturday, 19 Aug. 2023, 11 am, right before the discussion hour.

1. Attempt all 5 problems. There is no penalty for submitting incorrect attempts
2. However, plagiarism will result in serious penalties, such as an F grade.

1. Express the following problem as an SOCP

$$\min \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (1)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} \leq yz \quad (2)$$

$$y^2 + z^2 \leq 1 \quad (3)$$

$$y \geq 0, z \geq 0 \quad (4)$$

where $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, and $y, z \in \mathbb{R}$.

2. Formulate the following problems as SOCP:

(a)

$$\max \left(\sum_{i=1}^m 1/(\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) \right)^{-1} \quad (7)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i \geq 0 \quad (8)$$

(b)

$$\min t \quad (13)$$

$$\text{s. t. } 1/t \leq \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x}/b_i \leq t \quad (14)$$

over $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

3. Solve the least-norm problem

$$\min \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 \quad (21)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} \quad (22)$$

where $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with $m < n$ and $\mathbf{b} \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{A})$.

4. Solve the following regularized least-squares problem

$$\min \|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \quad (24)$$

where the regularization parameter $\lambda > 0$. Express the solution such that no assumptions are needed on the rank of matrix \mathbf{A} . Comment on the solution for the cases $0 < \lambda \ll 1$ and $\lambda \gg 1$.

5. Consider the following robust optimization problem

$$\min \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} \quad (25)$$

$$\text{s. t. } \mathbf{Ax} \leq \mathbf{b} \quad \forall \mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{A} \quad (26)$$

where $\mathcal{A} = \{\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} | \bar{A}_{ij} - V_{ij} \leq A_{ij} \leq \bar{A}_{ij} + V_{ij} \forall i, j\}$. This problem can be interpreted as an LP with infinite number of constraints, one for each value that A_{ij} can take. In other words, the solution \mathbf{x} must satisfy the constraints for all possible values of A_{ij} .

(a) Show that in the constraint

$$\sum_j A_{ij}x_j \leq b_i \quad \forall \bar{A}_{ij} - V_{ij} \leq A_{ij} \leq \bar{A}_{ij} + V_{ij} \quad (27)$$

can equivalently be written as

$$\sum_j \bar{A}_{ij}x_j + \sum_j V_{ij}|x_j| \leq b_i \quad (28)$$

(b) Express the robust problem as an LP.