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1. (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2}\|x - d\|_2^2 &= \frac{1}{2}\left\|x - c - \left(\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}\right)e\right\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\|x - c\|_2^2 - (x - c)^T \left(\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}e\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left\|\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}e\right\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\|x - c\|_2^2 - (1 - c^T e)\left(\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left\|\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}e\right\|_2^2,\end{aligned}$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $e^T x = 1$ . Hence  $(P_c)$  and  $(P_d)$  have the same optimal solutions.  $\square$

- (b) We have that  $\frac{1}{2}\|x - d\|_2^2 \geq 0$  with equality when  $x = d$ . Moreover

$$e^T d = e^T c + e^T \left(\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}\right)e = e^T c + n\left(\frac{1 - e^T c}{n}\right) = 1.$$

Thus if  $d \geq 0$ , then  $x^* = d$  is an optimal solution of  $(P_d)$ .

- (c) Assume  $d_j < 0$  and  $0 < x_j^*$ , for some  $j \in [1, n]$ , and  $x^*$  optimal solution of  $(P_d)$ . We have  $\nabla f(x^*) = (x^* - d)$ ,  $\nabla h(x^*) = e$  and  $\nabla g_i(x) = -e_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Note that  $e/n$  is a Slater point and  $(P_D)$  is a convex optimization problem, thus  $x^*$  satisfies KKT conditions. That is there exists  $(u, v)$  such that  $u \geq 0$  and

$$(x^* - d) - \sum_{i \in I(x^*)} u_i e_i + v e = 0$$

By looking at the  $j$ -th coordinate, we have  $v = d_j - x_j^* < 0$ . Now multiply by  $e^T$  the above equation

$$0 = e^T(x^* - d) - e^T \sum_{i \in I(x^*)} u_i e_i + e^T v e = - \sum_{i \in I(x^*)} u_i + n v < 0,$$

contradiction.  $\square$

- (d) Let's say we start with the problem  $(P_c)$  in an  $n$ -dimensional space. We know that  $(P_c)$  and  $(P_d)$  have the same optimal solutions. If  $d \geq 0$ , then  $x^* = d$  is the only optimal solution and we are done. Otherwise there exists  $j \in [1, n]$  such that  $d_j^* < 0$ , then we know all optimal solutions of  $(P_D)$  have  $x_j^* = 0$ . Thus let  $c'$  be the vector  $d$  with the  $j$ -coordinate removed. Hence the solutions of  $(P_D)$  are exactly the solutions of

$$\begin{aligned}(P_{c'}) \quad & \min_x \quad \frac{1}{2}\|x - c'\|_2^2 \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad e^T x = 1 \\ & \quad x \geq 0,\end{aligned}$$

by adding a 0 after the  $j - 1$ th coordinate. Hence we reduced  $(P_c)$ , a  $n$  dimensional problem, to  $(P_{c'})$ , a  $n - 1$  dimensional problem. Then we repeat the same argument for  $(P_{c'})$ . This procedure will take at most  $n$  steps.  $\square$

2. If  $C = D$ , then it is clear that their support function are equal. Now assume that their support functions are equal and  $C \neq D$ . WLOG, there exists  $\bar{x} \in C \setminus D$ . By Theorem B.3.1, there exists a nonzero vector  $p$  and scalar  $\alpha$  such that  $p^T \bar{x} > \alpha$  and  $\alpha > p^T x$  for all  $x \in D$ . Thus

$$S_C(p) = \sup\{p^T x : x \in C\} \geq p^T \bar{x} > \alpha \geq \sup\{p^T x : x \in D\} = S_D(p),$$

contradiction. Hence  $C = D$ .  $\square$

3. We have

$$L^*(u_{[n]}) = \inf_{x \in X} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i g(i) \leq \inf_{x \in \bar{X}} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m u_i g_i(x) \leq \inf_{x \in \bar{X}} f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^r u_i g_i(x) = \bar{L}^*(u_{[r]}),$$

for all  $u \geq 0$ , because  $\bar{X} \subseteq X$  and  $g_{r+1}(x) \leq 0, \dots, g_m(x) \leq 0$ , for all  $x \in \bar{X}$ . Thus

$$v^* = \sup_{u \geq 0} L(u_{[n]}) \leq \sup_{u \geq 0} \bar{L}(u_{[r]}) = \bar{v}^*.$$

By weak duality and feasibility, we have  $\bar{v}^* \leq f^*$ . We conclude that  $v^* \leq \bar{v}^* \leq f^*$ .  $\square$

4. (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} (P_1) \quad & \min_x f_1(x) \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = [1, m] \\ & \quad \quad f_j(x) \leq b_j, \quad j = [2, s]; \\ (P_2) \quad & \min_x \sum_{j=1}^s w_j f_j(x) \\ & \text{s.t.} \quad g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = [1, m]. \end{aligned}$$

(b) WLOG, we can assume  $w_1 = 1$ . Let  $x^*$  be a solution of  $(P_2)$  and let  $b_j = f_j(x^*)$ , for  $j = [2, \dots, s]$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & f_1(x) + \sum_{j=2}^s w_j f_j(x^*) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = [1, m] \\ & f_j(x) \leq f_j(x^*), \quad j = [2, s]; \end{aligned} \geq \begin{aligned} \min_x \quad & f_1(x) + \sum_{j=2}^s w_j f_j(x) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = [1, m] \\ & f_j(x) \leq f_j(x^*), \quad j = [2, s]; \end{aligned}.$$

An optimal solution of the RHS is  $x^*$ , thus an optimal solution for LHS is  $x^*$ . But note that the LHS has the same optimal solutions as  $(P_1)$ .  $\square$

(c) The first order KKT necessary conditions for  $(P_1)$  are

$$\nabla f_1(x^*) + \sum_{j=2}^s u_j \nabla f_j(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m v_i \nabla g_i = 0$$

$$u_j \geq 0, \quad j = 2, \dots, s; \quad v_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

$$u_j f_j(x^*) = 0, \quad j = 2, \dots, s; \quad v_i g_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

The first order KKT necessary conditions for  $(P_2)$  are

$$\sum_{j=1}^s w_j \nabla f_j(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m v_i \nabla g_i = 0$$

$$v_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$v_i g_i(x^*) = 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

$\square$

(d) Let  $x^*$  be an optimal solution of  $(P_1)$ . Since a constraint qualification is satisfied, we have that  $x^*$  satisfies the first order KKT necessary conditions. Let  $w_1 = 1$  and  $w_j = u_j$ , for  $j = 2, \dots, s$ . Since  $(P_2)$  is a convex problem, by Theorem 3.2.1, it follows that  $x^*$  is an optimal solution for  $(P_2)$ .  $\square$

5. Let  $x^*$  be a current that satisfies law (1) and (2) with voltage drop  $v^*$ . Let  $\bar{x}$  be a solution to our programming problem. Thus by Theorem 3.1.8, there exists a  $\bar{v}$  such that

$$\nabla_{x_{ij}^*} L(\bar{x}, \bar{v}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \nabla_{x_{ij}^*} \sum_{(i,j) \in A} \left( \frac{1}{2} R_{ij} x_{ij}^2 - t_{ij} x_{ij} \right) + \sum_{i \in N} v_i \nabla_{x_{ij}^*} \left( \sum_{j: (j,i) \in A} x_{ij} - \sum_{j: (i,j) \in A} x_{ij} \right) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow R_{ij} x_{ij}^* - t_{ij} - v_i + v_j = 0$$

for all  $(\tilde{i}, \tilde{j}) \in A$ . Moreover,

$$\nabla_{x_{i_1 j_1} x_{i_2 j_2}} L(\bar{x}, \bar{v}) = \begin{cases} R_{i_1 j_1}, & \text{if } (i_1, j_1) = (i_2, j_2) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

for all  $(i_1, j_1), (i_2, j_2) \in A$ . Since  $R_{ij} > 0$  for all  $(i, j) \in A$ , we have that  $\nabla_x L(\bar{x}, \bar{v})$  is positive definite. Note that our problem is a convex problem and  $(x^*, v^*)$  satisfies the necessary conditions. By Theorem 3.2.1 and Theorem 3.4.2, we have that  $x^*$  is a solution to our problem and it is a strict local minimum. Assume that  $\tilde{x}$  was another current that satisfied law (1) and (2) with voltage drop  $\tilde{v}$ . Thus  $\lambda x^* + (1 - \lambda)\tilde{x}$  is a current that satisfies law (1) and (2) with voltage drop  $\lambda v^* + (1 - \lambda)\tilde{v}$ , for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Hence  $\lambda x^* + (1 - \lambda)\tilde{x}$  is an optimal solution for our problem for all  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , contradiction with strict minimality of  $x^*$