

# EE 364a HW5

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**5.17** Let  $f_i(x) = \sup_{a \in P_i} a^T x$ , then the problem can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && c^T x, \\ & \text{subject to} && f_i(x) \leq b_i, i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

And the optimal value of  $f_i(x)$  can be expressed as a linear programming problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && x_i^T a, \\ & \text{subject to} && C_i a \preceq d_i \end{aligned}$$

We can reformulate the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && -x_i^T a, \\ & \text{subject to} && C_i a \preceq d_i \end{aligned}$$

Then the *Lagrangian* is:

$$L(a, z_i) = -x_i^T a + z_i^T (C_i a - d_i)$$

The dual function is:

$$g(z_i) = \inf_a (-x_i^T a + z_i^T (C_i a - d_i))$$

Then we calculate the derivative of the *Lagrangian* over  $a$  equals to 0, we get:

$$\nabla_a L = -x_i + C_i^T z_i = 0 \implies C_i^T z_i = x_i$$

Then we can substitute  $C_i^T z_i = x_i$  into the dual function to get the dual problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && -d_i^T z_i, \\ & \text{subject to} && z_i \succeq 0, C_i^T z_i = x_i \end{aligned}$$

This dual problem is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && d_i^T z_i, \\ & \text{subject to} && z_i \succeq 0, C_i^T z_i = x_i \end{aligned}$$

The optimal value of this linear programming problem is also equal to  $f_i(x)$ , so we have  $f_i(x) \leq b_i$  if and only if there exists a  $z_i$  such that

$$d_i^T z_i \leq b_i, \quad z_i \succeq 0, \quad C_i^T z_i = x_i$$

Hence, the original problem can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && c^T x, \\ & \text{subject to} && d_i^T z_i \leq b_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & && C_i^T z_i = x, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & && z_i \succeq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

with variables  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $z_i \in \mathbf{R}^{m_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ .

**5.40** The dual problem is:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \frac{1}{t}, \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{i=1}^p x_i v_i v_i^T \succeq tI, \\ & && x \succeq 0, \quad \mathbf{1}^T x = 1 \end{aligned}$$

The *Lagrangian* is:

$$\begin{aligned} L(t, x, \Lambda, \lambda, \nu) &= \frac{1}{t} + \mathbf{tr} \left( \Lambda(tI - \sum_{i=1}^P x_i v_i v_i^T) \right) - \lambda^T x + \nu(\mathbf{1}^T x - 1) \\ &= \frac{1}{t} + t \mathbf{tr}(\Lambda) + \sum_{i=1}^P x_i (-v_i^T \Lambda v_i - \lambda_i + \nu) - \nu \end{aligned}$$

The minimum over  $x_i$  is bounded below only if  $-v_i^T \Lambda v_i - \lambda_i + \nu = 0$ .

To minimize over  $t$ , we know that:

$$\inf_{t>0} \left( \frac{1}{t} + t \mathbf{tr}(\Lambda) \right) = \begin{cases} 2\sqrt{\mathbf{tr}(\Lambda)} & \text{if } \Lambda \succeq 0 \\ -\infty & \text{if } \Lambda \not\succeq 0 \end{cases}$$

Then the dual function is:

$$g(\Lambda, \lambda, \nu) = \begin{cases} 2\sqrt{\mathbf{tr}(\Lambda)} - \nu & \text{if } v_i^T \Lambda v_i + \lambda_i = \nu, \Lambda \succeq 0 \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The dual problem is:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{maximize} && 2\sqrt{\text{tr}(\Lambda)} - \nu, \\
& \text{subject to} && v_i^T \Lambda v_i \leq \nu, \quad i = 1, \dots, p, \\
& && \Lambda \succeq 0
\end{aligned}$$

We can define  $\Lambda = \nu \Lambda'$ , then the dual problem becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{maximize} && 2\sqrt{\nu} \sqrt{\text{tr}(\Lambda')} - \nu, \\
& \text{subject to} && v_i^T \Lambda' v_i \leq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, p, \\
& && \Lambda' \succeq 0
\end{aligned}$$

And we know  $\nabla_{\nu} \left( 2\sqrt{\nu} \sqrt{\text{tr}(\Lambda')} - \nu \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu}} \sqrt{\text{tr}(\Lambda')} - 1$ , so optimizing over  $\nu$  gives  $\nu = \text{tr}(\Lambda')$ .

Thus, the dual problem becomes:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{maximize} && \text{tr}(\Lambda'), \\
& \text{subject to} && v_i^T \Lambda' v_i \leq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, p, \\
& && \Lambda' \succeq 0
\end{aligned}$$

### 6.3

- (a) Let  $y_i = \phi(a_i^T x - b_i)$ . By the definition of  $\phi(u)$ , we have  $y_i = \phi(a_i^T x - b_i) \geq 0$ . It implies that  $y \succeq 0$ , and by the definition of  $\phi(u)$ , we know that  $\phi(u) \geq |u| - a$ , which implies  $y_i = \phi(a_i^T x - b_i) \geq |a_i^T x - b_i| - a \iff y_i + a \geq a_i^T x - b_i \geq -y_i - a$ . Combine all the equations and inequalities above, we can reformulate the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{minimize} && \mathbf{1}^T y, \\
& \text{subject to} && -y - \mathbf{1}^T a \preceq Ax - b \preceq y + \mathbf{1}^T a, \\
& && y \succeq 0
\end{aligned}$$

It is a linear programming problem with variables  $y \in \mathbf{R}^m$ ,  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .

- (b) Let  $y_i = a_i^T x - b_i$ . By the definition of  $\phi(u)$ , we know that  $\phi(y_i) \geq -a^2 \log \left( 1 - \left( \frac{y_i}{a} \right)^2 \right)$ . Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \phi(a_i^T x - b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(y_i) = \sum_{i=1}^m -a^2 \log \left( 1 - \left( \frac{y_i}{a} \right)^2 \right) = -a^2 \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^m \left( 1 - \left( \frac{y_i}{a} \right)^2 \right) \right)$$

with

$$|y_i| < a$$

Then we know that:

$$\min. \prod_{i=1}^m \phi(a_i^T x - b_i) \iff \min. -a^2 \log \left( \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \frac{y_i}{a}\right)^2 \right) = \max. \prod_{i=1}^m \left(1 - \left(\frac{y_i}{a}\right)^2\right)$$

And we can set  $\left(1 - \left(\frac{y_i}{a}\right)^2\right) = t_i^2$ , then we can reformulate the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \prod_{i=1}^m t_i^2, \\ & \text{subject to} && \left(1 - \left(\frac{y_i}{a}\right)^2\right), \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & && -1 \prec \frac{y_i}{a} \prec 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & && y = Ax - b \end{aligned}$$

with variables  $t \in \mathbf{R}^m, x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , and  $y \in \mathbf{R}^m$ .

(c) Let  $y_i + z_i = |a_i^T x - b_i|$ , where  $z_i \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq y_i \leq M$ . Then we have

$$\phi(a_i^T x - b_i) = \begin{cases} |a_i^T x - b_i|^2, & \text{if } |a_i^T x - b_i| \leq M \\ M(2|a_i^T x - b_i| - M), & \text{if } |a_i^T x - b_i| > M \end{cases}$$

If  $|a_i^T x - b_i| \leq M$ , we can let  $y_i = |a_i^T x - b_i|$  and  $z_i = 0$ , so  $\phi(a_i^T x - b_i) = |a_i^T x - b_i|^2 = y_i^2$ . If  $|a_i^T x - b_i| > M$ , we can let  $y_i = M$  and  $z_i > 0$ , so  $\phi(a_i^T x - b_i) = M(2(M + z_i) - M) = M^2 + 2Mz_i$ . Hence, the problem can be reformulated as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \sum_{i=1}^m (y_i^2 + 2Mz_i), \\ & \text{subject to} && -y - z \preceq Ax - b \preceq y + z, \\ & && 0 \preceq y \preceq M\mathbf{1} \\ & && z \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(d) The original problem can be formulated as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && t, \\ & \text{subject to} && \frac{1}{t} \leq \frac{a_i^T x}{b_i} \leq t, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

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

The left inequality gives us the hyperbolic constraints as:

$$ta_i^T x \geq 1, \quad t \geq 0, \quad a_i^T x \geq 0$$

Hence, the problem can be reformulated as:  $\begin{bmatrix} t & \sqrt{b_i} \\ \sqrt{b_i} & a_i^T x \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$ , which is a LMI constraint.

(e) We first consider the problem  $\sum_{i=1}^k |r|_{[i]}$ , which can be reformulated as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && |r|^T y, \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \preceq y \preceq \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}^T y = k \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && -|r|^T y, \\ & \text{subject to} && 0 \preceq y \preceq \mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}^T y = k \end{aligned}$$

The *Lagrangian* is:

$$\begin{aligned} L(y, \lambda, u, t) &= -|r|^T y - \lambda^T y + u^T (y - \mathbf{1}) + t(\mathbf{1}^T y - k) \\ &= -\mathbf{1}^T u - kt + (-|r| - \lambda + u + t\mathbf{1})^T y \end{aligned}$$

Minimizing over  $y$  yields the dual function:

$$g(\lambda, u, t) = \begin{cases} -\mathbf{1}^T u - kt, & -|r| - \lambda + u + t\mathbf{1} = 0 \\ -\infty, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The dual problem is to maximize  $g$  subject to  $\lambda \succeq 0$  and  $u \succeq 0$ . Thus, we can express the dual problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && -\mathbf{1}^T u - kt, \\ & \text{subject to} && -\lambda + u + t\mathbf{1} = |r| \\ & && \lambda \succeq 0, u \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

which is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \mathbf{1}^T u + kt, \\ & \text{subject to} && u + t\mathbf{1} \succeq r \succeq -u - t\mathbf{1}, u \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Then we combine with the original constraint, we can reformulate the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \mathbf{1}^T u + kt, \\ & \text{subject to} && u + t\mathbf{1} \succeq Ax - b \succeq -u - t\mathbf{1}, u \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

with  $u \in \mathbf{R}_+, t \in \mathbf{R}$ , and  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .

## A6.5

(a) We know that

$$\phi^{-1}(y_i) = a_i^T x + v_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m.$$

By definition of inverse function, we know that

$$\phi^{-1}(\phi(u)) = u \iff (\phi^{-1})'(\phi(u)) = \frac{1}{\phi'(u)}$$

and

$$\alpha \leq \phi'(u) \leq \beta \implies \frac{1}{\beta} \leq (\phi^{-1})'(y) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha}$$

Therefore,  $z_i = \phi^{-1}(y_i)$  and  $y_i$  have to satisfy the inequalities:

$$\frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\beta} \leq z_{i+1} - z_i \leq \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\alpha}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m-1,$$

if we assume the points are sorted with  $y_i$  in increasing order. As the suggestion in the problem statement, we can use  $z_1, \dots, z_m$  as parameters instead of  $\phi$ . The log-likelihood function would be:

$$l(z, x) = \frac{-1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m (z_i - a_i^T x)^2 - m \log(\sigma\sqrt{2\pi})$$

Therefore, in order to find a maximum likelihood estimate of  $x$  and  $z$ , we can solve the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && \sum_{i=1}^m (z_i - a_i^T x)^2, \\ & \text{subject to} && \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\beta} \leq z_{i+1} - z_i \leq \frac{y_{i+1} - y_i}{\alpha}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m-1 \end{aligned}$$

(b) The following Python code solve the problem:

```
import cvxpy as cvx
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

from nonlin_meas_data import *

x = cvx.Variable(n)
z = cvx.Variable(m)

B = np.zeros((m - 1, m))
for i in range(m - 1):
    B[i, i] = -1
    B[i, i + 1] = 1

nom_cost = cvx.Problem(cvx.Minimize(cvx.norm(z - A * x)), \
    [(1 / beta) * B @ y <= B @ z, \
    B @ z <= (1 / alpha) * B @ y]).solve(solver=cvx.CVXOPT)

print(x.value)

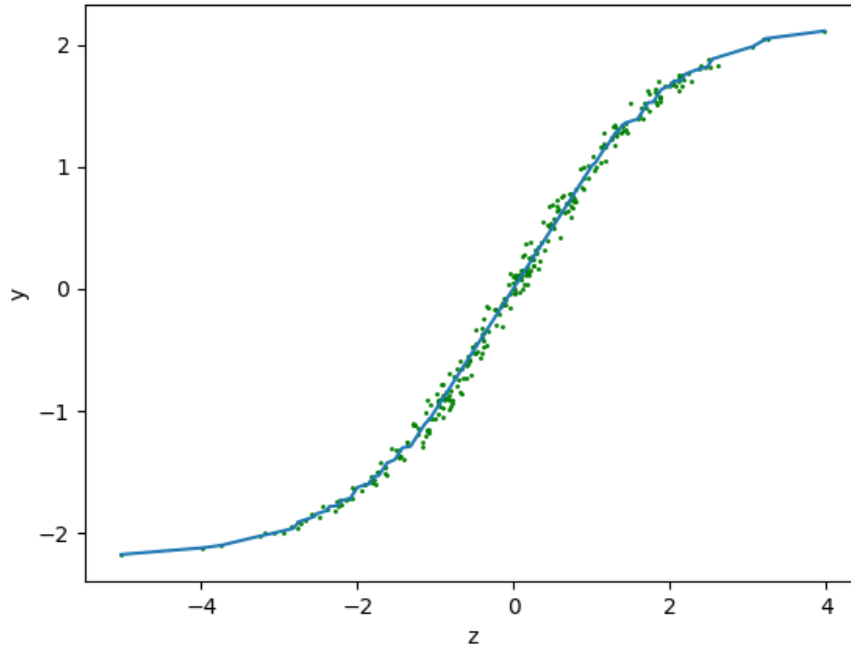
plt.figure()
```

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plt.plot(z.value, y)
plt.scatter((A @ x).value, y, c = 'green', s = 1)
plt.xlabel('z')
plt.ylabel('y')
plt.savefig('A6.5.png')
plt.show()

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The estimated  $x$  is  $x = (0.48194444, -0.46569477, 0.93641226, 0.92966396)$ . The blue curve in the figure shows the estimate function  $\phi$ , and the green dots show the data points  $a_i^T x, y_i$ .



**A.12.1d** We can express the problem (c) for a given length  $N$  as the feasibility linear programming

$$\begin{aligned}
0.89 \leq H(\omega_k) \leq 1.12 \quad & \text{for } 0 \leq \omega_k \leq \frac{\pi}{3}, \\
-\alpha \leq H(\omega_k) \leq \alpha \quad & \text{for } \omega_c \leq \omega_k \leq \pi
\end{aligned}$$

with variable  $a$ . The following Python code solves the quasi-convex optimization problem. We see that the shortest filter length is  $N = 16$ .

```
import numpy as np
```

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import cvxpy as cvx
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib import rc
rc('text', usetex = True)

K = 500
wp = np.pi / 3
wc = .4 * np.pi
alpha = 0.0316
w = np.linspace(0, np.pi, K).reshape((-1, 1))
wi = np.max(np.where(w <= wp)[0])
wo = np.min(np.where(w >= wc)[0])

H_final = None

for N in range(1, 50):
    k = np.array(list(range(0, N + 1, 1))).reshape((-1, 1)).T
    C = np.cos(w @ k)

    a = cvx.Variable(N + 1)
    problem = cvx.Problem(cvx.Minimize(0),\
        [C[:wi, :] @ a <= 1.12,\
        C[:wi, :] @ a >= 0.89,\
        np.cos(wp * np.linspace(0, N, N + 1)) * a >= 0.89,\
        C[wo:, :] @ a <= alpha,\
        C[wo:, :] @ a >= -alpha,\
        np.cos(wc * np.linspace(0, N, N + 1)) * a <= alpha])
    problem.solve(solver=cvx.CVXOPT)
    if problem.status == 'optimal':
        print("The shortest filter length N = {}".format(N))
        H_final = a.value.reshape((1, -1)) @ np.cos(w @ k).T
        break

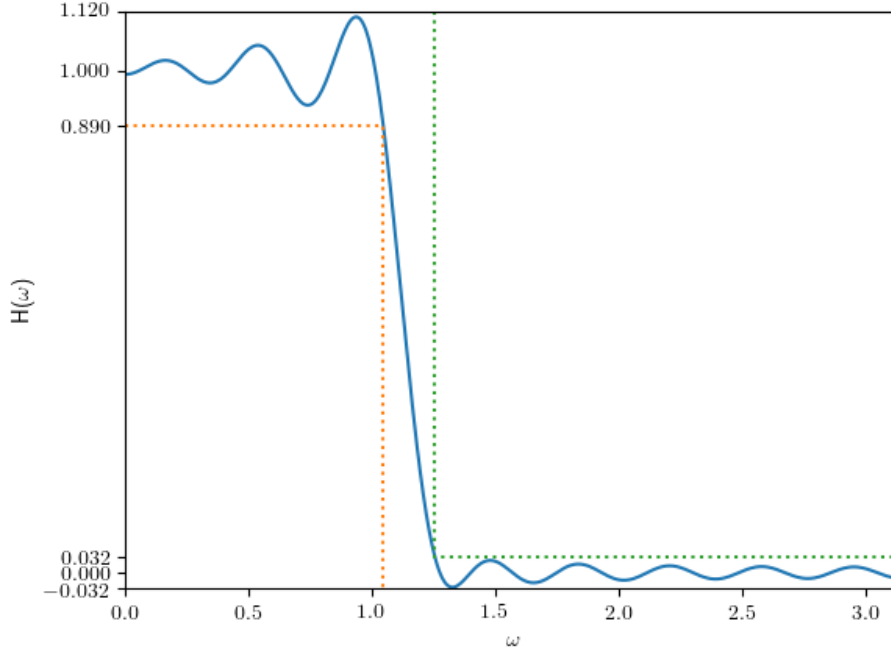
plt.figure()
plt.plot(w.T[0], H_final[0])
plt.plot([0, wp, wp], [0.89, 0.89, -alpha], ':')
plt.plot([wc, wc, np.pi], [1.12, alpha, alpha], ':')
plt.axis([0, np.pi, -alpha, 1.12])
plt.xlabel(r'$\omega$')
plt.ylabel(r'$H(\omega)$')
plt.yticks([-alpha, 0, alpha, 0.89, 1, 1.12])
plt.savefig('A.12.d.png')

```



`plt.show()`

And the figure of the filter is:



### A.15.1

- (a)  $A^T x$  gives a vector of the  $x$ -displacements of the springs, and  $A^T y$  gives a vector of the  $y$ -displacements of the spring. Thus, we have the energy function as:

$$E(x, y, k) = \frac{1}{2} x^T \text{diag}(k) A^T x + \frac{1}{2} y^T \text{diag}(k) A^T y + c^T y$$

where  $c_i = gm_i$ . This is an affine function of  $k$ , so the minimum function over  $x$  and  $y$  that satisfy the fixed constraints. It follows that  $E_{min}$  is a concave function of  $k$ . Then we divide  $A$  into  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , where  $A_1 \in \mathbf{R}^{p \times N}$  is made up of the first  $p$  rows of  $A$ , and  $A_2 \in \mathbf{R}^{(n-p) \times N}$  is made up of the last  $n - p$  rows of  $A$ . Let  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{c} \in \mathbf{R}^{n-p}$  denote the last  $n - p$  elements of  $x, y$  and  $c$ . Then the minimum energy can be expressed as:

$$E_{min}(k) = \min_{\bar{x}, \bar{y}} \left( \frac{1}{2} z_x^T \text{diag}(k) z_x + \frac{1}{2} z_y^T \text{diag}(k) z_y + \bar{c}^T \bar{y} + C \right)$$

where  $C = \sum_{i=1}^p gm_i y_i^{fixed}$ ,  $z_x = A_2^T \bar{x} + b_x$ ,  $z_y = A_2^T \bar{y} + b_y$ ,  $b_x = A_1^T x^{fixed}$ , and  $b_y = A_1^T y^{fixed}$ . Thus to evaluate  $E_{min}$  we need to evaluate the minimum of an unconstrained

quadratic in  $\bar{x}$  and  $\bar{y}$ . This gives us

$$E_{min}(k) = \frac{1}{2}(b_x^T D b_x - v_x^T Q^{-1} v_x) + \frac{1}{2}(b_y^T D b_y - v_y^T Q^{-1} v_y) + C,$$

where  $D = \mathbf{diag}(k)$ ,  $Q = A_2 D A_2^T$ ,  $v_x = A_2 D b_x$ , and  $v_y = A_2 D b_y + \bar{c}$ .

We reformulate the problem as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && b_x^T D b_x - v_x^T Q^{-1} v_x + b_y^T D b_y - v_y^T Q^{-1} v_y, \\ & \text{subject to} && \mathbf{1}^T k = k^{tot}, k \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

This is a convex optimization problem. The constraints are convex in  $k$ . The objective function has two terms which are affine in  $k$  and two terms which are the negatives of matrix fractionals of affine terms in  $k$ . Thus, the objective is concave in  $k$ .

(b) The following code solves the problem:

```
tens_struct_data;

c = g * m
A1 = A(1:p,:)
A2 = A(p+1:n,:)
cbar = c(p+1:n)
cvx_begin
variable k(N)
D = diag(k);
bx = A1'*x_fixed;
by = A1'*y_fixed;
vx = A2*D*bx;
vy = A2*D*by + cbar;
maximize(bx'*D*bx - matrix_frac(vx, A2*D*A2')) + ...
by'*D*by - matrix_frac(vy, A2*D*A2'))
subject to
k >= 0; sum(k) == k_tot;
cvx_end

Eunif = 0.5 * x_unif' * A * diag(k_unif) * A' * x_unif;
Eunif = Eunif + 0.5 * y_unif' * A * diag(k_unif) * A' * y_unif';
Eunif = Eunif + c' * y_unif
Emin = 0.5 * cvx_optval + c(1:p)' * y_fixed

xmin = -(A2 * D * A2') \ (A2 * D * A1' * x_fixed);
ymin = -(A2 * D * A2') \ (A2 * D * A1' * y_fixed + cbar);
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xopt = zeros(n, 1);
xopt(1:p) = x_fixed;
xopt(p + 1:n) = xmin;

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yopt = zeros(n, 1);
yopt(1:p) = y_fixed;
yopt(p + 1: n) = ymin;

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The optimal energy is  $E_{min}(k^*) = 57.84$ . The minimum energy is 18.37.

### A.17.6

- (a) We have  $\phi'_i(u) = \sin^{-1}(\frac{u}{\kappa_j})$ , which is a strictly increasing function of  $u$ , so  $\phi_j$  is strictly convex. The optimality conditions for the problem are:

$$Ap^* = s, \quad \nabla \phi(p^*) - A^T \nu^* = 0.$$

The second equation can be expressed as

$$\phi'(j(p_j^*)) = a_j^T \nu^*, \quad j = 1, \dots, m,$$

where  $a_j$  is the  $j$ th column of  $A$ . Thus, we have

$$\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{p_j^*}{\kappa_j}\right) = a_j^T \nu^*, \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

Thus,

$$p_j^* = \kappa_j \sin(a_j^T \nu^*), \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$