

5. Geometric programming in convex form

monomial $f(x) = cx_1^{a_1} \dots x_n^{a_n}$, $x \in R_{++}^n$ *Replace x_i with e^{y_i}*
 $\log f(e^{y_1}, \dots, e^{y_n}) = a^T y + b$, $b = \log c$

polynomial $f(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K c_k x_1^{a_{1k}} \dots x_n^{a_{nk}}$ *$c e^{y_1 a_1} e^{y_2 a_2} \dots e^{y_n a_n}$*
 $\log f(e^{y_1} \dots e^{y_n}) = \log \sum_{k=1}^K e^{a_k^T y + b_k}$, $b_k = \log c_k$

Geometric program transform

$$\min \log(\sum_{k=1}^{K_0} e^{a_{0k}^T y + b_{0k}})$$

$$\text{subject to } \log \sum_{k=1}^{K_i} e^{a_{ik}^T y + b_{ik}} \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$Gy + d = 0$$

Remark: The original problem may not be convex.

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6. Generalized Inequality Constraints

$$\min f_0(x)$$

$$\text{s.t. } f_i(x) \preceq_{K_i} 0$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$(x \preceq_K y \rightarrow y - x \in K)$$

Semidefinite Programming (SDP)

$$\min c^T x$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_1 F_1 + \dots + x_n F_n + G \preceq 0$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$G, F_1, \dots, F_n \in S^k, A \in R^{p \times n}$$

negative semidefinite.

Standard Form SDP

$$\min \text{tr}(CX) = \sum_{ij} C_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \text{tr}(A_i X) = b_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, p$$

$$X \succeq 0$$

$$C, A_1, \dots, A_p \in S^n, X \in S^n$$

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Summary

- (1). $LP \subset QP \subset QCQP \subset SOCP \subset SDP$
- (2). Software Tools (Examples)
 - CVX: Matlab software for disciplined convex (Boyd)
 - CPLEX: IP, LP, QP, SOCP (IBM)
 - Gurobi: LP, QP, MILP, MIQP, MIQCP (Gu, Rothberg, Bixby)
- (3). Check if the problem is convex

$$\underbrace{x^T Q_i x + p_i x \leq b_i}_{QC} \quad Q_i \in S_+^{n \times n}$$

$$\|Ax + b\|_2 \leq c^T x + d$$

$$\underbrace{x^T A^T A x + 2b^T A x + b^T b}_{27} \leq \underbrace{x^T C C^T x + d^T d}_{27} + 2d^T c^T x$$

$$\underbrace{x^T (A^T A - C C^T) x}$$

Summary

- (1). Format of the formulation
 - a. Follow the format of the solver (software package)
 - b. Find equivalent formulation for simpler approaches (coding, complexity, accuracy)
- (2). Feasibility of the solution
 - Check if the feasible set is not empty.
- (3). Boundness of the solution
 - Check if the solution is bounded (reasonable, not $-\infty$)
- (4). Optimality of the solution
 - Check the supporting hyperplane of object function

CSE203B Convex Optimization:

Chapter 5 Duality

Project:
Problem Statement
Convexity
Duality

One key concept of
the textbook

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Extension of dual cones
and conjugate functions

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Chapter 5 Duality

- Primal and Dual Problem *Mechanism*
 - Primal Problem
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- Examples (Primal Dual Conversion Procedure) *Examples*
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- Interpretation (Duality) *Concepts + Theory*
 - Saddle-Point Interpretation
 - Geometric Interpretation
 - Slater's Condition
 - Shadow-Price Interpretation
- KKT Conditions (Optimality Conditions) *Optimality*
- Sensitivity (Shadow-Price)
- Generalized Inequalities

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Duality

Primal Problem (Feasible Solution)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \min f_0(x) \quad x \in R^n \\ \text{s.t. } f_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \quad \quad h_i(x) = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, p \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{domain } D \\ = \text{dom } f_0 \cap_i \text{dom } f_i \cap_i \text{dom } h_i \end{array}$$

Opt: $x^*, p^* = f_0(x^*)$ *notation*

Lagrangian: $L: R^n \times R^m \times R^p \rightarrow R$

$$L(x, \lambda, v) = f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i h_i(x)$$

λ_i, v_i : Lagrange multiplier, $\lambda_i \in R_+, v_i \in R$.

Lagrange dual function \propto shadow price

$$g(\lambda, v) = \inf_{x \in D} L(x, \lambda, v) \quad (x \text{ may not be feasible})$$

\uparrow Not relevant to x .

convert constraints to costs

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Duality

Dual Problem (Infeasible Solution)

$$\max_{\lambda, v} g(\lambda, v) \quad \text{s.t. } \lambda \geq 0$$

1. $g(\lambda, v)$ is concave
2. $g(\lambda, v) \leq p^*$ an optimal value where $\lambda \geq 0$

Proof 1: By definition of $g(\lambda, v)$ and the convexity of pointwise max operation on convex functions.

Proof 2: For any feasible \tilde{x} and $\lambda \geq 0$

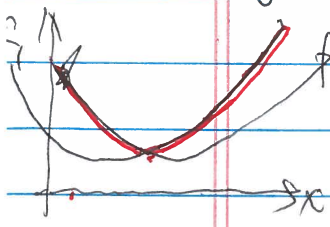
$$\begin{aligned} f_0(\tilde{x}) &\geq L(\tilde{x}, \lambda, v) \quad (\text{Because } \sum \lambda_i f_i(\tilde{x}) + \sum v_i h_i(\tilde{x}) \leq 0) \\ L(\tilde{x}, \lambda, v) &\geq g(\lambda, v) \quad \text{by definition of } g(\lambda, v) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus } p^* = f_0(x^*) \geq g(\lambda, v)$$

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$f(x) = \max(f_1(x), f_2(x))$ If f_1 & f_2 are convex, then $f(x)$ is convex

$g(x) = \max_{y \in C} f(x, y)$ $f(x, y)$ is convex with respect to x then $g(x)$ is convex



$$L(x, \lambda, \nu) = f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i h_i(x)$$

$$g(\lambda, \nu) = \min_{x \in D} L(x, \lambda, \nu)$$

$$-g(\lambda, \nu) = \max_{x \in D} -L(x, \lambda, \nu)$$

$$= \max_{x \in D} \underbrace{-f_0(x) - \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) - \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i h_i(x)}$$

An affine function of λ & ν
with respect to each given x

★ Pointwise max operation on convex functions

$\Rightarrow -g(\lambda, \nu)$ is convex

$\Rightarrow g(\lambda, \nu)$ is concave.

Remark, the convexity of $-g(\lambda, \nu)$

is not relevant to the convexity of

$L(x, \lambda, \nu)$

(1). For any feasible \tilde{x} , $\lambda_i \geq 0$

$$f_0(\tilde{x}) \geq f_0(\tilde{x}) + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(\tilde{x})}_{\leq 0} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i h_i(\tilde{x})}_0$$
$$= L(\tilde{x}, \lambda, \nu)$$

(2). Feasible region \subset Domain D

$$L(\tilde{x}, \lambda, \nu) \geq \min_{x \in D} L(x, \lambda, \nu) = g(\lambda, \nu)$$

From (1) & (2)

$$f_0(\tilde{x}) \geq g(\lambda, \nu) \text{ for any feasible } \tilde{x}$$

$$\text{Thus, } p^* = f_0(x^*) \geq g(\lambda, \nu)$$

To reduce the gap

$$\max_{\lambda \geq 0, \nu} g(\lambda, \nu)$$