

SOLUTIONS TO SAMPLE FINAL

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#1

(a) $\min \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x - c^T x$ subject to $Ax = b$.

Lagrangian $L(x, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} x^T Q x - c^T x - \lambda^T (Ax - b)$

KKT:

$$\begin{cases} 0 = \nabla_x L = Qx - c - A^T \lambda \\ 0 = Ax - b \end{cases}$$

$Q = Q^T > 0$
 $A = m \times n$
 $m < n$
 $\text{rank } A = m$

$$\Rightarrow Qx = c + A^T \lambda \Rightarrow x = Q^{-1}(c + A^T \lambda)$$

$$Ax = b \Rightarrow A Q^{-1}(c + A^T \lambda) = b \Rightarrow A Q^{-1} c + A Q^{-1} A^T \lambda = b$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{A Q^{-1} A^T} \lambda = b - A Q^{-1} c$$

Now $A Q^{-1} A^T$ is positive definite (since $Q = Q^T > 0$)

Indeed $y^T (A Q^{-1} A^T) y = (y^T A) Q^{-1} (A^T y) = (A^T y)^T Q^{-1} A^T y > 0$

whenever $A^T y \neq 0$. Since A has max row rank ($\text{rank} = m < n$)

it follows that $A^T y = 0 \Leftrightarrow y = 0 \Rightarrow y^T (A Q^{-1} A^T) y > 0, \forall y \neq 0$

$\Rightarrow A Q^{-1} A^T$ is positive definite, so in particular, invertible.

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} (b - A Q^{-1} c).$$

Finally, the solution in closed form is

$$x = Q^{-1} c + Q^{-1} A^T \lambda \Rightarrow \boxed{x = Q^{-1} c + Q^{-1} A^T (A Q^{-1} A^T)^{-1} (b - A Q^{-1} c)}$$

(b) Using part (a), we identify $c=0$ & $Q=I$
 and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, $b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Then $x = A^T (A A^T)^{-1} b$

Using Matlab, we get $x = \begin{bmatrix} 29/14 \\ 11/14 \\ -1/7 \end{bmatrix}$.

Note: One can solve this problem directly, via the Lagrange Multiplier method (which is the same as KKT)

e.g. solving $\nabla f = \lambda_1 \nabla c_1 + \lambda_2 \nabla c_2$, $\nabla c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\nabla c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \\ x_2 = \lambda_1 - \lambda_2 \\ x_3 = -\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2 \end{cases}$$

together with

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 3 \\ x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 1 \end{cases}$$

The matrix computation above ~~make~~ provides a more systematic approach to solving this system.

#2 $\min x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3$ subject to $x_1 - x_2 = 1$
 $x_1 + x_3 \geq 2$
 $x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0$

In standard form

$$\min \underbrace{x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + 0 \cdot x_4}_{c^T x} \quad \text{subj to} \quad \begin{cases} x_1 - x_2 = 1 \\ x_1 + x_3 - x_4 = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{or } Ax = b$$

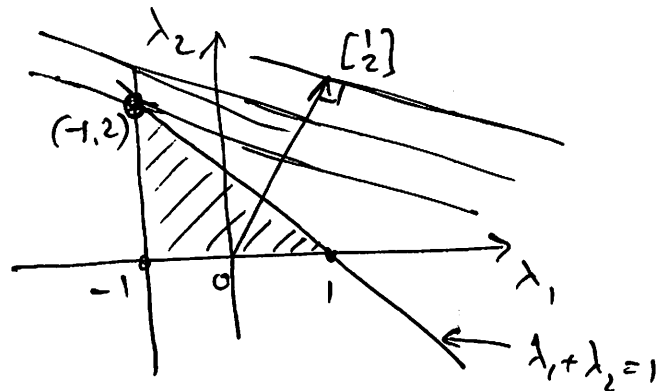
$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0, x_4 \geq 0$

The dual problem is

$$\max \underbrace{\lambda_1 + 2\lambda_2}_{b^T \lambda} \quad \text{subject to} \quad \begin{cases} \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \leq 1 \\ -\lambda_1 \leq 1 \\ \lambda_2 \leq 3 \\ -\lambda_2 \leq 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{or } A^T \lambda \leq c$$

The feasible set for the dual is

$$\lambda = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \leq 1, \lambda_1 \geq -1, 0 \leq \lambda_2 \leq 3$$



(b) By the graphical method, the max point is $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) = (-1, 2)$

~~By KKT~~: $L(x, \lambda, s) = c^T x - \lambda^T (Ax - b) - s^T x$

$$\text{KKT: } 0 = \nabla_x L = c - A^T \lambda - s \Rightarrow s = c - A^T \lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$s^T x = 0$$

$$s \geq 0, x \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$s_3 \neq 0, s_4 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2, x_2 = 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

#3

$$\text{Max } 3x_1 + 2x_2 \quad \text{subject to } x_1 \leq 4$$

$$x_2 \leq 1$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 5$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

In standard form :

$$\text{Min } -3x_1 - 2x_2 \quad \text{subject to } \begin{cases} x_1 + x_3 = 4 \\ x_2 + x_4 = 1 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + x_5 = 5 \end{cases}$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \geq 0$$

Simplex tableau:

$$\begin{array}{c|ccccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & x_4 & x_5 & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \\ \hline -3 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{4} \\ \text{1} \\ \text{5} \end{array}$$

Choosing as initial basic variables x_3, x_4, x_5 means $x_1 = 0$
 $x_2 = 0$

is the initial vertex.

Entering variable : x_1 . Ratios $\frac{4}{1} \Rightarrow$ leaving variable x_5

$\Rightarrow$ New basic variables $\{x_3, x_4, x_1\}$, Nonbasic variables $\{x_2, x_5\}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \frac{1}{2}R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \\ \hline \begin{array}{c|ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} \\ \hline -3 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{l} -R_3 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ 3R_3 + R_4 \rightarrow R_4 \end{array}} \begin{array}{c|ccccc|c} 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{5}{2} \\ \hline 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{3}{2} & \frac{15}{2} \end{array} \end{array}$$

Vertex : $x_5 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_1 = \frac{7}{2}, x_3 = \frac{3}{2}, x_4 = 1$

Entering variable x_2 . Ratios: $\frac{3/2}{-1/2} = -3$, $\frac{1}{1} = 1$, $\frac{5/2}{1/2} = 5$

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Leaving variable x_4

⇒ New basic variables $\{x_3, x_2, x_1\}$. Nonbasic variables $\{x_5, x_4\}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 0 & -1/2 & 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 3/2 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1/2 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 5/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 0 & 0 & 3/2 & 15/2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\substack{-1/2 R_2 + R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \\ 1/2 R_2 + R_4 \rightarrow R_4}]{1/2 R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \left[\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1/2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 8 \end{array} \right]$$

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So optimization terminated and optimal vertex is

$$\underline{x_1 = 2, x_2 = 1, x_3 = 2, x_4 = 0, x_5 = 0}$$

with optimal value $\boxed{8}$.