

DM545
Linear and Integer Programming

Lecture 5
Duality
Sensitivity Analysis

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Relaxation: if a problem is hard to solve then find an easier problem resembling the original one that provides information in terms of bounds. Then search strongest bounds.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & 13x_1 + 6x_2 + 4x_3 + 12x_4 \\
 & 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 + 5x_4 = 7 \\
 & 3x_1 + \quad + 2x_3 + 4x_4 = 2 \\
 & x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

We wish to reduce to a problem easier to solve, ie:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \dots + c_nx_n \\
 & x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

solvable by inspection: if $c < 0$ then $x = +\infty$, if $c \geq 0$ then $x = 0$.

measure of violation of the constraints:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 7 - (2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 + 5x_4) \\
 & 2 - (3x_1 + \quad + 2x_3 + 4x_4)
 \end{aligned}$$

We relax these measures in the obj. function with Lagrangian multipliers y_1 , y_2 .

We obtain a family of problems:

$$PR(y_1, y_2) = \min_{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 13x_1 + 6x_2 + 4x_3 + 12x_4 \\ +y_1(7 - 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 + 5x_4) \\ +y_2(2 - 3x_1 + \quad + 2x_3 + 4x_4) \end{array} \right\}$$

1. for all $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R} : \text{opt}(PR(y_1, y_2)) \leq \text{opt}(P)$
2. $\max_{y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}} \{\text{opt}(PR(y_1, y_2))\} \leq \text{opt}(P)$

PR is easy to solve.

(It can be also seen as a proof of the weak duality theorem)

$$PR(y_1, y_2) = \min_{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} (13 - 2y_2 - 3y_2) x_1 \\ + (6 - 3y_1) x_2 \\ + (4 - 2y_2) x_3 \\ + (12 - 5y_1 - 4y_2) x_4 \\ + 7y_1 + 2y_2 \end{array} \right\}$$

if coeff. of x is < 0 then bound is $-\infty$ then LB is useless

$$(13 - 2y_2 - 3y_2) \geq 0$$

$$(6 - 3y_1) \geq 0$$

$$(4 - 2y_2) \geq 0$$

$$(12 - 5y_1 - 4y_2) \geq 0$$

If they all hold then we are left with $7y_1 + 2y_2$ because all go to 0.

$$\max 7y_1 + 2y_2$$

$$2y_2 + 3y_2 \leq 13$$

$$3y_1 \leq 6$$

$$+ 2y_2 \leq 4$$

$$5y_1 + 4y_2 \leq 12$$

General Formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & z = c^T x \quad c \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ & Ax = b \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ & x \geq 0 \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned}$$

$$\max_{y \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left\{ \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} \{cx + y(b - Ax)\} \right\}$$

$$\max_{y \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left\{ \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} \{(c - yA)x + yb\} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & b^T y \\ & A^T y \leq c \\ & y \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

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Dual simplex (Lemke, 1954): apply the simplex method to the dual problem and observe what happens in the primal tableaux:

- ▶ Primal works with feasible solutions towards optimality
- ▶ Dual works with optimal solutions towards feasibility

Primal simplex on primal problem:

Dual simplex on primal problem:

1. pivot > 0

1. pivot < 0

2. col c_j with wrong sign

2. row $b_i < 0$ (condition of feasibility)

3. row:

$$\min \left\{ \frac{b_i}{a_{ij}} : a_{ij} > 0, i = 1, \dots, m \right\}$$

3. col:

$$\min \left\{ \left| \frac{c_j}{a_{ij}} \right| : a_{ij} < 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, n + m \right\}$$

 (least worsening solution)

It can work better in some cases than the primal.

Eg. since running time in practice between $2m$ and $3m$, then if $m = 99$ and $n = 9$ then better the dual

Dual based Phase I algorithm (Dual-primal algorithm) (see Sheet 3)

Dual Simplex

Example

Primal:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \max \quad & -x_1 - x_2 \\
 & -2x_1 - x_2 \leq 4 \\
 & -2x_1 + 4x_2 \leq -8 \\
 & -x_1 + 3x_2 \leq -7 \\
 & x_1, x_2 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Dual:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & 4y_1 - 8y_2 - 7y_3 \\
 & -2y_1 - 2y_2 - y_3 \geq -1 \\
 & -y_1 + 4y_2 + 3y_3 \geq -1 \\
 & y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

► Initial tableau

	x_1	x_2	w_1	w_2	w_3	$-z$	b
	-2	-1	1	0	0	0	4
	-2	4	0	1	0	0	-8
	-1	3	0	0	1	0	-7
	-1	-1	0	0	0	1	0

infeasible start

► x_1 enters, w_2 leaves

► Initial tableau ($\min by \equiv -\max -by$)

	y_1	y_2	y_3	z_1	z_2	$-p$	b
	2	2	1	1	0	0	1
	1	-4	-3	0	1	0	1
	-4	8	7	0	0	1	0

feasible start (thanks to $-x_1 - x_2$)

► y_2 enters, z_1 leaves

- x_1 enters, w_2 leaves

	x_1	x_2	w_1	w_2	w_3	$-z$	b
	0	-5	1	-1	0	0	12
	1	-2	0	-0.5	0	0	4
	0	1	0	-0.5	1	0	-3
	0	-3	0	-0.5	0	1	4

- y_2 enters, z_1 leaves

	y_1	y_2	y_3	z_1	z_2	$-p$	b
	1	1	0.5	0.5	0	0	0.5
	5	0	-1	2	1	0	3
	-4	0	3	-12	0	1	-4

- w_2 enters, w_3 leaves (note that we kept $c_j < 0$, ie, optimality)

	x_1	x_2	w_1	w_2	w_3	$-z$	b
	0	-7	1	0	-2	0	18
	1	-3	0	0	-1	0	7
	0	-2	0	1	-2	0	6
	0	-4	0	0	-1	1	7

- y_3 enters, y_2 leaves

	y_1	y_2	y_3	z_1	z_2	$-p$	b
	2	2	1	1	0	0	1
	7	2	0	3	1	0	3
	-18	-6	0	-7	0	1	-7

Economic Interpretation

$$\begin{aligned}
 \max \quad & 5x_0 + 6x_1 + 8x_2 \\
 & 6x_0 + 5x_1 + 10x_2 \leq 60 \\
 & 8x_0 + 4x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 40 \\
 & 4x_0 + 5x_1 + 6x_2 \leq 50 \\
 & x_0, x_1, x_2 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

final tableau:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc}
 & x_0 & x_1 & x_2 & s_1 & s_2 & s_3 & -z & b \\
 \hline
 & & 0 & 1 & & 0 & & & 5/2 \\
 & & 1 & 0 & & 0 & & & 7 \\
 & & 0 & 0 & & 1 & & & 2 \\
 \hline
 & -1/5 & 0 & 0 & -1/5 & 0 & -1 & & 62
 \end{array}$$

- ▶ Which are the values of variables, the reduced costs, the shadow prices (or marginal price), the values of dual variables?
- ▶ If one slack variable > 0 then overcapacity
- ▶ How many products can be produced at most? at most m
- ▶ How much more expensive a product not selected should be?
look at reduced costs: $c - \pi A > 0$
- ▶ What is the value of extra capacity of manpower? In 1+1 out 1/5+1

Game: Suppose two economic operators:

- ▶ P owns the factory and produces goods
- ▶ D is the market buying and selling raw material and resources
- ▶ D asks P to close and sell him all resources
- ▶ P considers if the offer is convenient
- ▶ D wants to spend less possible
- ▶ y are prices that D offers for the resources
- ▶ $\sum y_i b_i$ is the amount D has to pay to have all resources of P
- ▶ $\sum y_i a_{ij} \geq c_j$ total value to make $j >$ price per unit of product
- ▶ P either sells all resources $\sum y_i a_{ij}$ or produces product j (c_j)
- ▶ without \geq there would not be negotiation because P would be better off producing and selling
- ▶ at optimality the situation is indifferent (strong th.)
- ▶ resource 2 that was not totally utilized in the primal has been given value 0 in the dual. (complementary slackness th.) Plausible, since we do not use all the resource, likely to place not so much value on it.
- ▶ for product 0 $\sum y_i a_{ij} > c_j$ hence not profitable producing it. (complementary slackness th.)

- ▶ Derivation:
 1. bounding
 2. multipliers
 3. recipe
 4. Lagrangian (to do)

- ▶ Theory:
 - ▶ Symmetry
 - ▶ Weak duality theorem
 - ▶ Strong duality theorem
 - ▶ Complementary slackness theorem

- ▶ Dual Simplex

- ▶ Economic interpretation