

Nonlinear and Discrete Optimization—Homework 7

1. Consider the optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \quad & -8x_1^2 - 10x_2^2 + 12x_1x_2 - 50x_1 + 80x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 \leq 1 \\ & 8x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 2 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Verify that Slater's condition holds.
- Obtain the KKT conditions for this problem.
- Prove that $(0, 1)$ is a global solution of this problem.
- Assume that the above problem is perturbed as

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^2} \quad & -8x_1^2 - 10x_2^2 + 12x_1x_2 - 50x_1 + 80x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 \leq 1 - \varepsilon \\ & 8x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 2 + 2\varepsilon \\ & x_1 \geq 2\varepsilon \\ & x_2 \geq -5\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for an infinitesimal number ε . This makes the solution $(0, 1)$ perturb a bit. How much will the corresponding optimal objective value change?

2. Find the dual of the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_1x_3 + x_1x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1^2 - x_2^2 + x_1x_2 + x_3^2 + 2x_2x_3 \leq 6 \\ & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

3. Find the dual of the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^3} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + e^{x_3} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 1 \\ & x_3 \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

4. Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & e^{-x_1} + e^{-x_2} + \cdots + e^{-x_n} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & -1 \leq x_1 + x_2 + \cdots + x_n \leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

- Is this problem convex?
- Calculate its dual.