

Tutorial

Perturbation-Duality Scheme

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Illustration of the scheme in Linear Programming (LP)

- ▶ Constraint matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
- ▶ Cost vector $k \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- ▶ Anchor $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Initial minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \inf \quad & \langle k \mid x \rangle \\ x \in & \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = & \bar{b} \\ x \geq & 0 \end{aligned}$$

Step 1. Perturbation of the initial minimization problem

- ▶ Embedding the problem in a family of minimization problems

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

- ▶ Introducing a perturbation space: \mathbb{R}^m

- ▶ Perturbation function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \underbrace{\{-\infty\}}_{\text{unbounded}} \cup \underbrace{\{+\infty\}}_{\text{unfeasible}}$

- ▶ Value of the initial problem: $\varphi(\bar{b})$

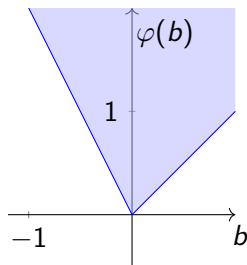
Examples of epigraphs of the perturbation functions for LP

Example

Let $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined as

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ x_1 - x_2 = b \\ x \geq 0}} x_1 + 2x_2$$

Then $\varphi(b) = \max\{-2b, b\}$, $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}$



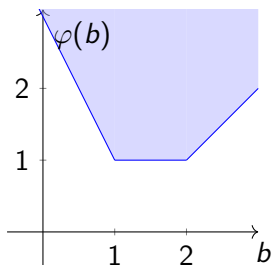
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$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(b) = \quad & \inf && x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^3 && \\ & x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 1 && \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = b && \\ & x \geq 0 && \end{aligned}$$

Then $\varphi(b) = \max\{3 - 2b, 1, b - 1\}$, $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}$



Step 2. Dual space, coupling and conjugate function

- ▶ Perturbation function

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

- ▶ Introducing the bilinear coupling

$$\langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle : \overbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}^{\text{perturbation space}} \times \overbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}^{\text{dual space}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- ▶ Conjugate function $\varphi^* : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\forall p \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi^*(p) = \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{ \langle b \mid p \rangle - \varphi(b) \}$$

Conjugate function and Lagrangian

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi^*(p) &= \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{ \langle b | p \rangle - \varphi(b) \} \\ &= \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left\{ \langle b | p \rangle - \inf_{\substack{Ax=b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k | x \rangle \right\} \\ &= \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \left\{ \langle b | p \rangle + \sup_{\substack{Ax=b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle -k | x \rangle \right\} \\ &= \sup_{x \geq 0} \left\{ \sup_{\substack{Ax=b \\ b \in \mathbb{R}^m}} \langle b | p \rangle + \langle -k | x \rangle \right\} \\ &= \sup_{x \geq 0} \{ \langle Ax | p \rangle - \langle k | x \rangle \} \\ &= \langle \bar{b} | p \rangle - \underbrace{\inf_{x \geq 0} \{ \langle \bar{b} - Ax | p \rangle + \langle k | x \rangle \}}_{\text{Lagrangian: } \mathcal{L}(x,p)}\end{aligned}$$

► $\inf_{x \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(x, p) = \langle \bar{b} | p \rangle - \varphi^*(p)$

Step 3. Biconjugate and weak duality

- ▶ Biconjugate function $\varphi^{**'} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi^{**'}(b) = \sup_{p \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{ \langle b | p \rangle - \varphi^*(p) \}$$

- ▶ We obtain weak duality for all $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\underbrace{\sup_{\substack{p \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ p^T A \leq k}} \langle b | p \rangle}_{\text{dual problem}} = \varphi^{**'}(b) \leq \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k | x \rangle$$

- ▶ At the anchor \bar{b}

$$\varphi^{**'}(\bar{b}) = \sup_{p \in \mathbb{R}^m} \underbrace{\{ \langle \bar{b} | p \rangle - \varphi^*(p) \}}_{\inf_{x \geq 0} \mathcal{L}(x, p)}$$

Step 4. Conditions for strong duality

Proposition

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}^n$

If there exists $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $\varphi(\bar{b}) \in \mathbb{R}$

(the corresponding LP is bounded and feasible)

then for all $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$\left(\sup_{\substack{p \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ p^T A \leq k}} \langle b \mid p \rangle \right) = \underbrace{\varphi^{**'}(b) = \varphi(b)}_{\text{strong duality}} \left(= \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle \right)$$

Remark

1. $\varphi(b)$ can take the value $+\infty$
2. If there is no $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $\varphi(\bar{b}) \in \mathbb{R}$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \blacktriangleright \varphi^{**'}(b) &= -\infty, \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ \blacktriangleright \varphi(b) &= \begin{cases} -\infty, & \forall b \in \text{dom } \varphi \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof of strong duality for LP. Sketch of the proof

- ▶ We assume there is a bounded and feasible program

$$\exists b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) \in \mathbb{R}$$

- ▶ We use the *properness lemma* to show that every program is bounded

φ is proper

- ▶ We show that $\text{epi } \varphi$ is a closed convex set (by showing that $\text{epi } \varphi$ is a polyhedron)

φ is a closed convex function

- ▶ We apply Rockafellar's result [Rockafellar, 1974, Theorem 5] to get strong duality

$$\varphi^{**} = \varphi$$

Proof of strong duality for LP. Proper functions

Definition

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$

- ▶ $\text{dom } f = \{b \in \mathbb{R}^m : f(b) < +\infty\}$
- ▶ The function f is said to be **proper** if $\text{dom } f \neq \emptyset$ and $-\infty < f(b)$, $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Lemma

If there is $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $-\infty < \varphi(\bar{b})$

the corresponding LP is bounded

*then the value function φ is **proper***

all LPs are bounded

Proof of strong duality for LP. Closed convex functions

Definition

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$

- ▶ Epigraph of the function f is defined by

$$\text{epi } f = \{(b, t) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} : f(b) \leq t\}$$

- ▶ The function f is said to be **closed convex** Rockafellar [1974] if [f is proper **AND** $\text{epi } f$ is a closed convex set]
OR $f = +\infty$ **OR** $f = -\infty$

Theorem

[Rockafellar, 1974, Theorem 5]

Let $f : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be a function.

f is closed convex if and only if $f^{**} = f$

Proof of strong duality for LP. Argmin lemma

Lemma

Let $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $\varphi(b) \in \mathbb{R}$ then for $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\varphi(b) \leq t \iff \exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ s.t. } \underbrace{Ax = b, x \geq 0}_{x \text{ is a feasible point}} \text{ and } \langle k \mid x \rangle \leq t$$

Remark

This Lemma is also true for $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ such that $\varphi(b) = -\infty$

TODO proof using Minkowski-Weyl's theorem [?, Theorem 3.52]

Proof of strong duality for LP. epi φ is a polyhedron

Proposition

Let $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ and $k \in \mathbb{R}^n$ define the value function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$ by

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

Then epi φ is a polyhedron

Proof that $\text{epi } \varphi$ is a polyhedron

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, k \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Let $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$, we assume that $\varphi(b) < +\infty$

$$\varphi(b) \leq t$$

$$\iff \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle \leq t$$

Using argmin lemma

$$\iff \min_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle \leq t$$

$$\iff \exists x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ s.t. } Ax = b, x \geq 0, \langle k \mid x \rangle - t \leq 0$$

$$\iff \text{epi } \varphi = \pi_{(b,t)} \left\{ (b, t, x) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n : \begin{cases} Ax = b \\ x \geq 0 \\ \langle k \mid x \rangle - t \leq 0 \end{cases} \right\}$$

Thus $\text{epi } \varphi$ is the projection of a polyhedron.

So, $\text{epi } \varphi$ is a polyhedron.

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Remark on weak and strong duality

- ▶ **Weak duality is a global notion** on a family of minimization problem and a family of maximization problems
- ▶ **Strong duality is a local notion** between a minimization problem and a maximization problem produced by the perturbation duality scheme

Example when strong duality is not achieved for LP

$$-\infty = \left(\begin{array}{cc} \sup & p_1 + 2p_2 \\ p \in \mathbb{R}^2 & \\ p_1 + p_2 = -1 & \\ p_1 + p_2 = 0 & \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \varphi^{**}(1, 2) < \varphi(1, 2) =$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{cc} \inf & -x_1 \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 & \\ x_1 + x_2 = 1 & \\ x_1 + x_2 = 2 & \\ x \geq 0 & \end{array} \right) = +\infty$$

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Summary of the perturbation-duality scheme for LP

Rockafellar [1974]

1. We **perturb** a minimization problem

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

2. We pair the primal space \mathbb{R}^m and a dual space \mathbb{R}^m

$$\langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

3. We biconjugate the perturbation function φ

$$\left(\sup_{\substack{p \in \mathbb{R}^m \\ p^T A \leq k}} \langle b \mid p \rangle \right) = \underbrace{\varphi^{**'}(b) \leq \varphi(b), \forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m}_{\text{weak duality is guaranteed}}$$

4. Strong duality at the anchor \bar{b}
when φ is proper or $\bar{b} \in \text{dom } \varphi$

Back to the coupling

- Bilinear coupling $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle : \overbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}^{\text{perturbation space}} \times \overbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}^{\text{dual space}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- \mathbb{R}^m can be identified to the functional space $L^m = \{F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R} | F \text{ is linear}\}$, thus the coupling

$$p \in \mathbb{R}^m \leftrightarrow F \in L^m$$
$$\langle b | p \rangle \leftrightarrow F(b)$$

- Conjugate function $\varphi^* : L^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\forall F \in L^m, \varphi^*(F) = \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{F(b) - \varphi(b)\}$$

Where we stand and where we go

- ▶ We have illustrated the perturbation duality scheme (PDS) on Linear Programs
- ▶ We will present the PDS in the convex case
- ▶ Then we will present the PDS in the generalized convex case

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The Fenchel conjugacy

Definition

Two vector spaces \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} , paired by a bilinear form $\langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle$ (in the sense of convex analysis), give rise to the classic **Fenchel conjugacy**

$$f^*(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left(\langle x | y \rangle - f(x) \right), \quad \forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$$

for any function $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

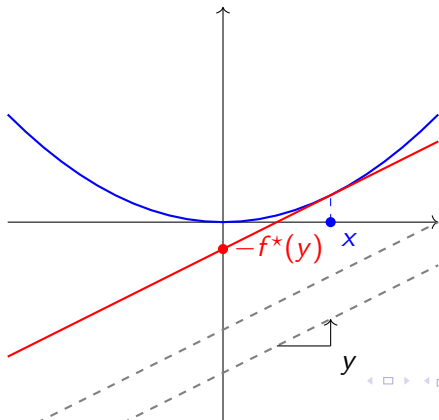
Fenchel conjugate	Fourier transform
\sup	$\rightarrow +$
$+$	$\rightarrow \times$
$\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left(\langle x y \rangle - f(x) \right)$	$\int_{\mathcal{X}} e^{\langle x y \rangle} f(x) dx$

Representing Fenchel conjugacy

For $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$f^*(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} (\langle x | y \rangle - f(x))$$

$$\iff \left\langle x \mid \underbrace{y}_{\text{Slope}} \right\rangle - \underbrace{f^*(y)}_{\text{Intercept}} \leq f(x), \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



The biconjugate function is a minorant of the function

Definition

Let $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be a function

Its **biconjugate** $f^{**'} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ is defined by

$$f^{**'}(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \langle x | y \rangle - f^*(y)$$

Proposition

Let $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ be a function

Then $f^{**'} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ satisfies

$$f^{**'} \leq f$$

Fenchel-Moreau Theorem

[Bauschke and Combettes, 2017, Theorem 13.37]

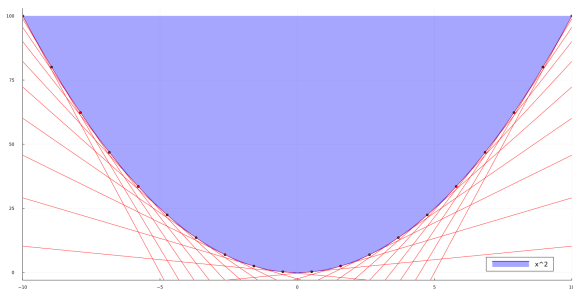
Theorem

Let $(\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot | \cdot \rangle)$ be a real **Hilbert space**

Let $f : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow] - \infty, +\infty]$ **proper**

Then f is **lower semicontinuous and convex** if and only if

$$f = f^{**}$$



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Dual problems: perturbation scheme [Rockafellar, 1974]

sets	optimization set \mathbb{W}	primal space \mathbb{U}	pairing $\mathbb{U} \overset{\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle}{\leftrightarrow} \mathbb{V}$	dual space \mathbb{V}
variables	decision $w \in \mathbb{W}$	perturbation $u \in \mathbb{U}$	$\langle u, v \rangle$ $\in \mathbb{R}$	sensitivity $v \in \mathbb{V}$
bivariate functions		Rockafellian $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$		Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$
definition				$\mathcal{L}(w, v) =$ $\inf_{u \in \mathbb{U}} \{ \mathcal{R}(w, u) - \langle u, v \rangle \}$
property				$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot) = (\mathcal{R}(w, \cdot))^*$
property				$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot)$ is \star' -convex (hence $\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot)$ is concave usc)
univariate functions		perturbation function $\varphi : \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$		dual function $\psi : \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$
definition		$\varphi(u) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, u)$		$\psi(v) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v)$
property				$-\psi = \varphi^*$

- ▶ **Anchor** $0 \in \mathcal{X}$ and **dual maximization problem** (weak duality)

$$\varphi^{**'}(0) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \{ -\psi(y) \} \leq \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, 0) = \varphi(0)$$

- ▶ Strong duality iff φ is \star -convex at 0 iff $\varphi^{**'}(0) = \varphi(0)$

Dual problems given by Fenchel conjugacy

- ▶ Set \mathbb{W} , function $h : \mathbb{W} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ and **original minimization problem**

$$\inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w)$$

- ▶ Embedding/**perturbation scheme** given by a nonempty set \mathbb{U} , an **anchor** $\bar{u} \in \mathbb{U}$ and a **Rockafellian** $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ such that

$$h(w) = \mathcal{R}(w, \bar{u}), \quad \forall w \in \mathbb{W}$$

- ▶ Paired spaces \mathbb{U} and \mathbb{V} , and **Lagrangian** $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ given by

$$\mathcal{L}(w, v) = \inf_{u \in \mathbb{U}} \left\{ \mathcal{R}(w, u) - \langle u - \bar{u} \mid v \rangle \right\}$$

- ▶ **Original minimization problem**

$$\inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \sup_{v \in \mathbb{V}} \mathcal{L}(w, v) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w)$$

Duality gap

- ▶ Dual maximization problem

$$\sup_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \inf_{w \in \mathcal{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v)$$

- ▶ Weak duality always holds true

$$\sup_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \inf_{w \in \mathcal{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v) \leq \inf_{w \in \mathcal{W}} h(w)$$

When it exists, the **duality gap** is the nonnegative difference

- ▶ Strong duality holds true, or there is **no duality gap**, when

$$\sup_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \inf_{w \in \mathcal{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v) = \inf_{w \in \mathcal{W}} h(w)$$

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Classic Lagrangian duality

- ▶ Let $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_p) : \mathbb{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ be a mapping, and $\bar{u} \in \mathbb{R}^p$
- ▶ We consider the optimization problem

$$\min_{\theta(w) \leq \bar{u}} h(w) = \min_{\substack{\theta_1(w) \leq \bar{u}_1 \\ \dots \\ \theta_p(w) \leq \bar{u}_p}} h(w)$$

- ▶ In that case, take the perturbation scheme with $\mathbb{U} = \mathbb{R}^p$ and

$$\mathcal{R}(w, u) = h(w) \dagger \iota_{\{\theta(w) \leq u\}} = h(w) \dagger \sum_{j=1}^p \iota_{\{\theta_j(w) \leq u_j\}}$$

- ▶ which gives the **Lagrangian** $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{V} \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$, with $\mathbb{V} = \mathbb{R}^p$ and

$$\mathcal{L}(w, v) = h(w) + \langle \theta(w) - \bar{u} \mid v \rangle = h(w) + \sum_{j=1}^p v_j (\theta_j(w) - \bar{u}_j)$$

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- ▶ Anchor $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Initial minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \inf \quad & \langle k \mid x \rangle \\ x \in & \mathbb{Z}^n \\ Ax = & \bar{b} \\ x \geq & 0 \end{aligned}$$

Step 1. Perturbation of the initial minimization problem

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_x \langle k \mid x \rangle$$
$$\begin{aligned} Ax &= b \\ x &\geq 0 \\ x &\in \mathbb{Z}^n \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Perturbation space: \mathbb{R}^m
- ▶ Perturbation function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \underbrace{\{-\infty\}}_{\text{unbounded}} \cup \underbrace{\{+\infty\}}_{\text{unfeasible}}$
- ▶ Value of the initial problem: $\varphi(\bar{b})$

Example of epigraph of the perturbation function for a PILP

Step 2. Dual space, coupling and conjugate function

- ▶ Set of subadditive functions

$$\mathcal{S}^m = \{F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} \mid F(b_1 + b_2) \leq F(b_1) + F(b_2), \forall b_1, b_2\}$$

- ▶ Subadditive evaluation coupling

$$c_S : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathcal{S}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

$$c_S(b, F) = F(b)$$

- ▶ Conjugate function $\varphi^{c_S} : \mathcal{S}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\forall F \in \mathcal{S}^m, \varphi^{c_S}(F) = \sup_{b \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{c_S(b, F) + (-\varphi(b))\}$$

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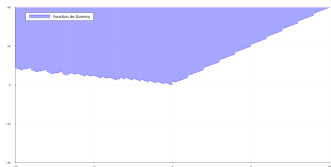
- ▶ Biconjugate function $\varphi^{c_S c_S'} : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi^{c_S c_S'}(b) = \sup_{F \in S^m} \{c_S(b, F) - \varphi^{c_S}(F)\}$$

- ▶ We obtain weak duality

$$\underbrace{\sup_{F \in S^m} \left\{ F(b) + \inf_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} \{ \langle k \mid x \rangle - F(Ax) \} \right\}}_{\text{dual problem}} = \varphi^{c_S c_S'}(b) \leq \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0 \\ x \in \mathbb{Z}^n}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

Step 4. Strong duality for the subadditive dual problem



- ▶ If $Ax_1 = b_1$ and $Ax_2 = b_2$, then $A(x_1 + x_2) = b_1 + b_2$
- ▶ So

$$\varphi(b_1 + b_2) \leq \varphi(b_1) + \varphi(b_2), \quad \forall b_1, b_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

- ▶ It results that the function φ is **subadditive**

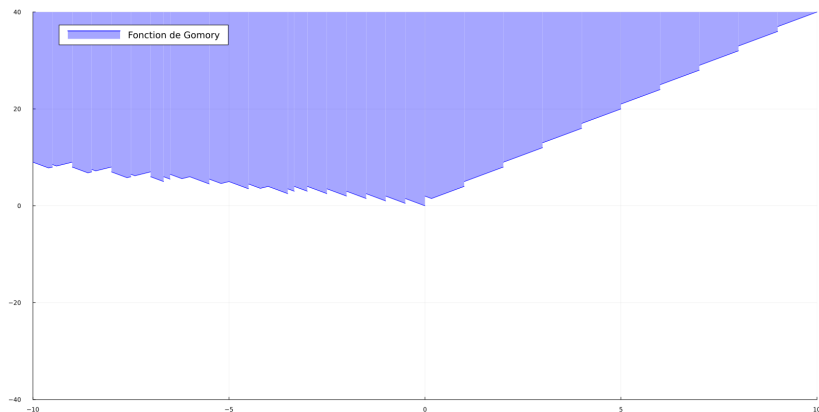
$$\varphi(b) + \underbrace{\inf_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} \{ \langle k | x \rangle - \varphi(Ax) \}}_{\geq 0} \leq \varphi^{cs cs'}(b)$$

- ▶ Thus we have **strong duality** $\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

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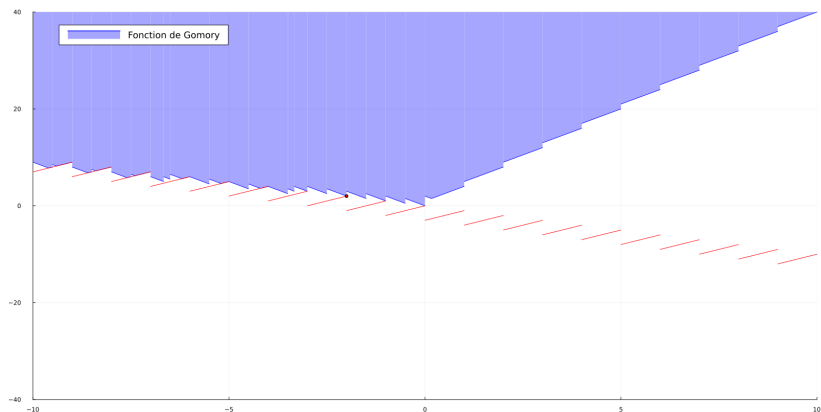
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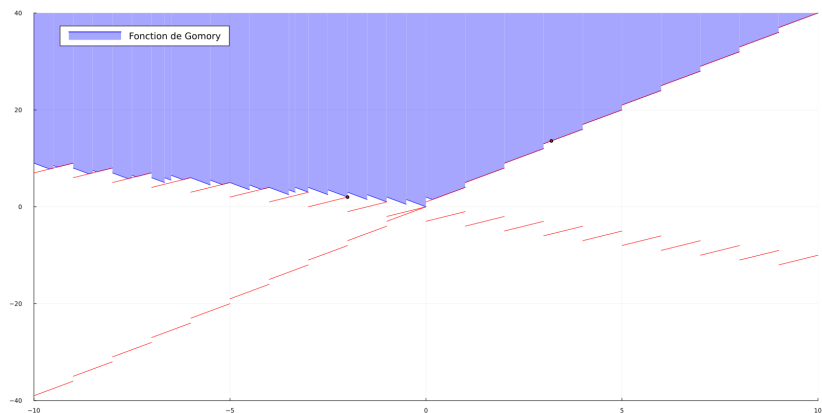
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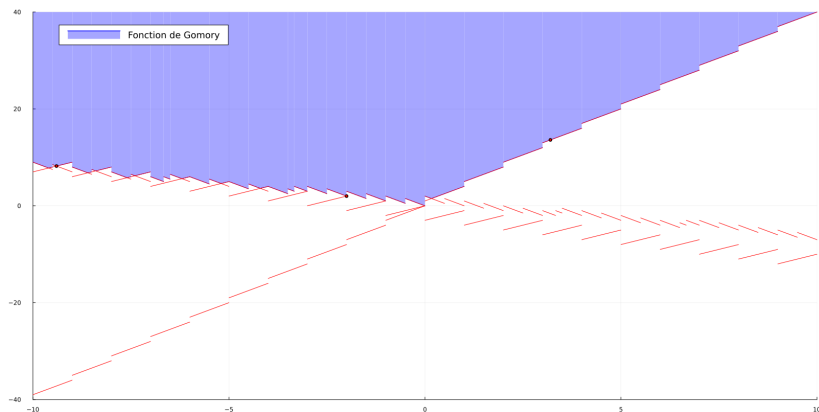
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1. We **perturb** a minimization problem

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_x \langle k \mid x \rangle$$
$$Ax = b$$
$$x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$$

2. We pair the primal space \mathbb{R}^m and a dual space \mathcal{S}^m

$$c_{\mathcal{S}}(\cdot, \cdot) : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathcal{S}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$$
$$c_{\mathcal{S}}(b, F) = F(b)$$

Reminder: **set of subadditive functions**

$$\mathcal{S}^m = \{F : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}} \mid F(b_1 + b_2) \leq F(b_1) + F(b_2), \forall b_1, b_2\}$$

3. We biconjugate the perturbation function φ

$$\underbrace{\varphi^{c_{\mathcal{S}} c_{\mathcal{S}'}}(b) \leq \varphi(b), \forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m}_{\text{weak duality is guaranteed}}$$

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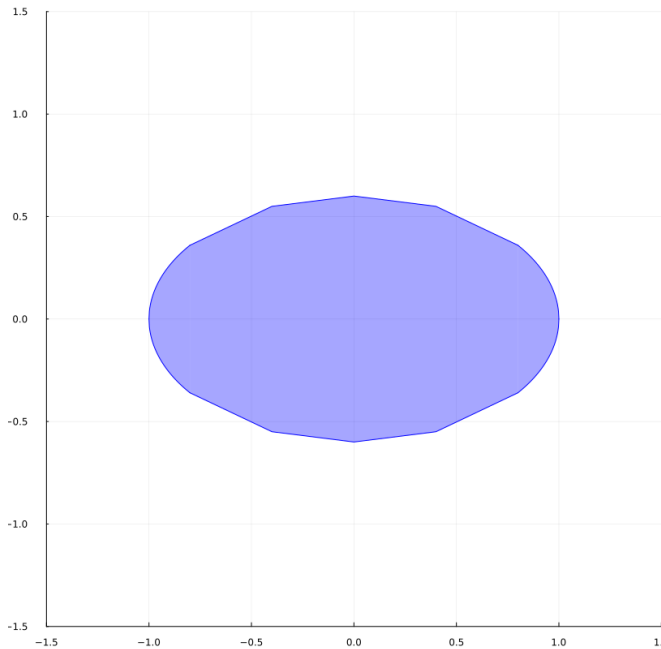
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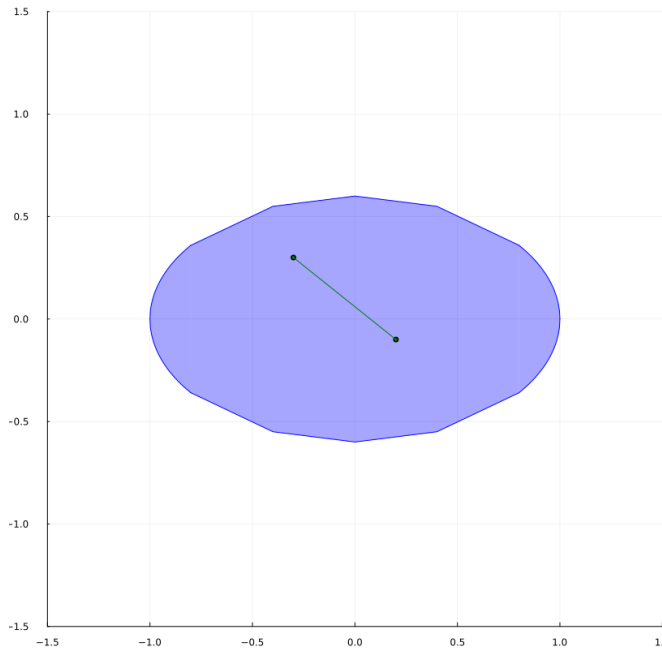
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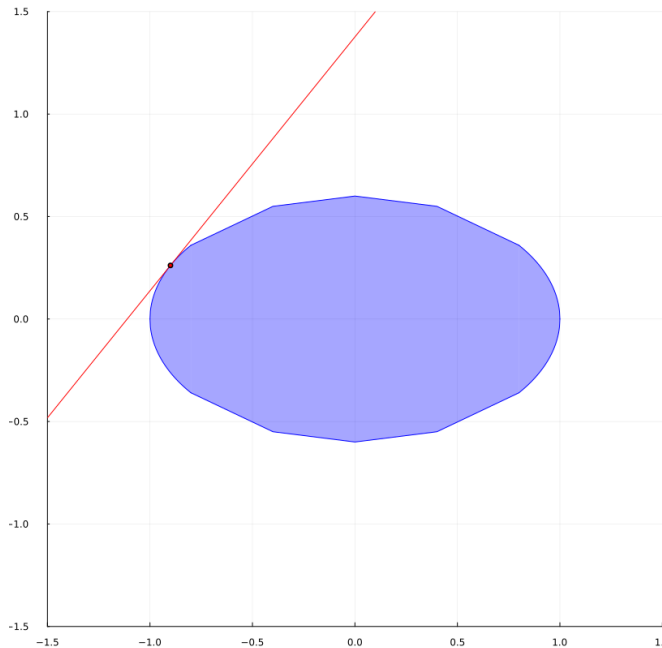
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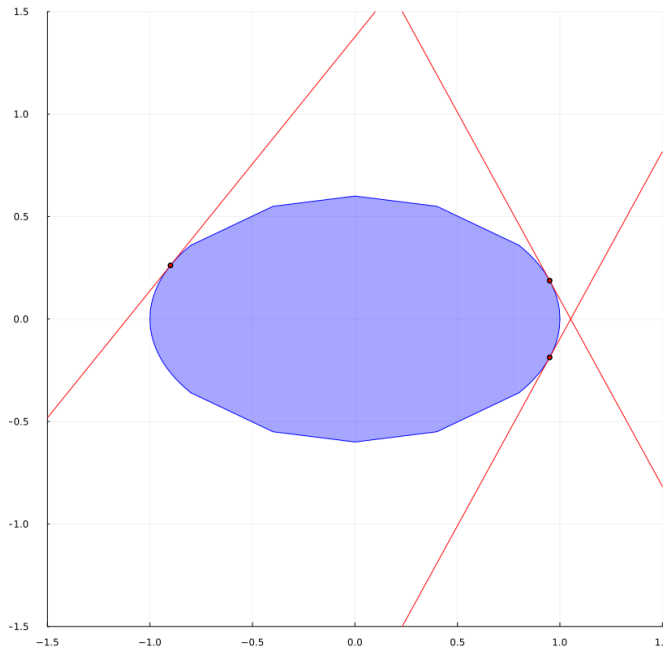
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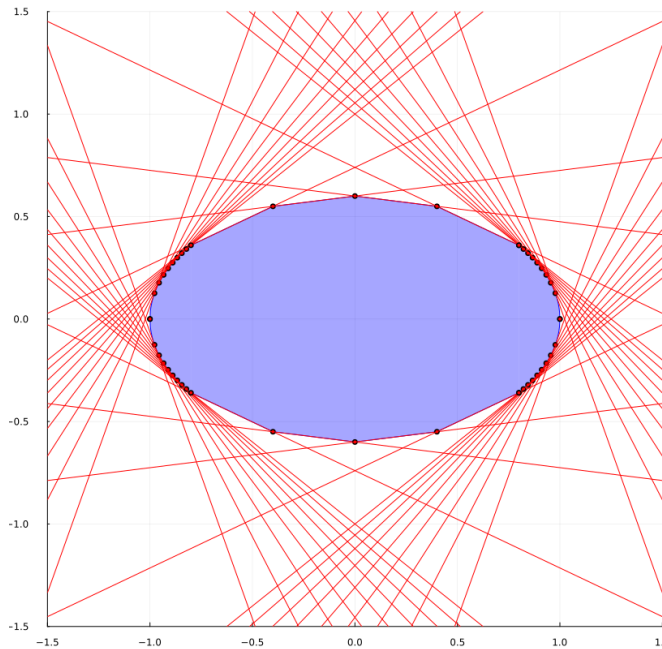
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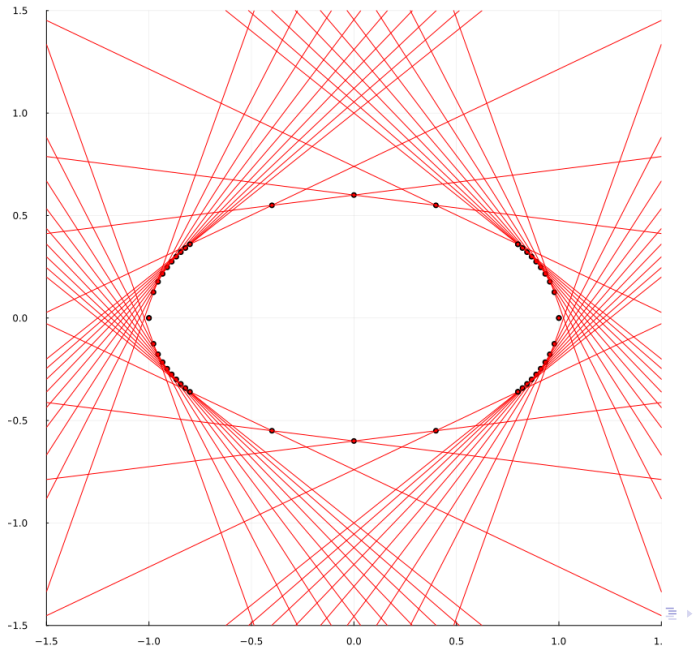
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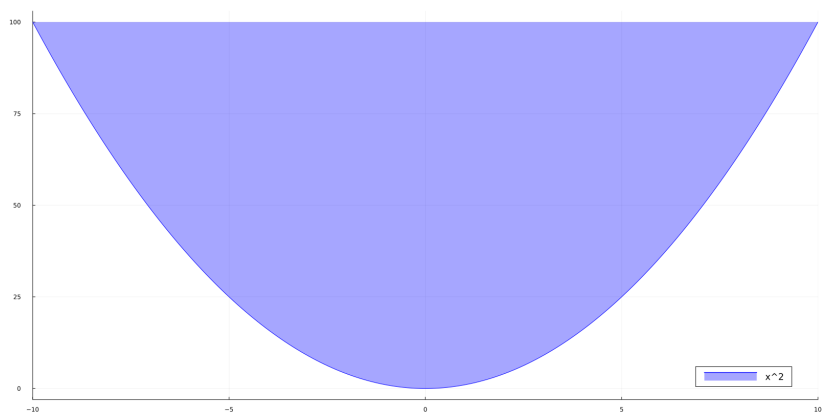


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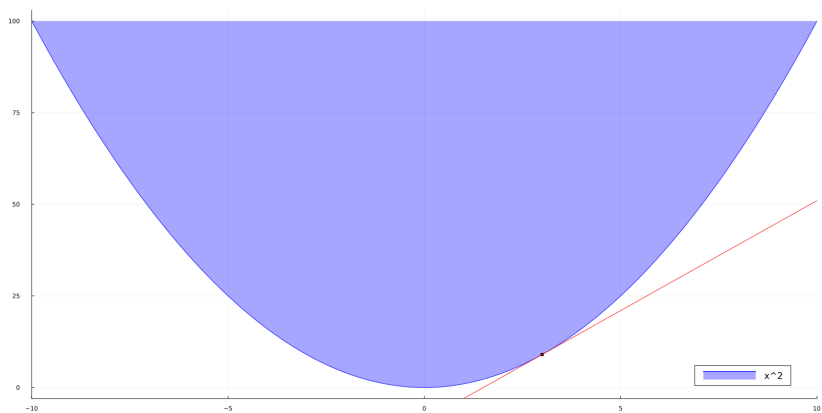
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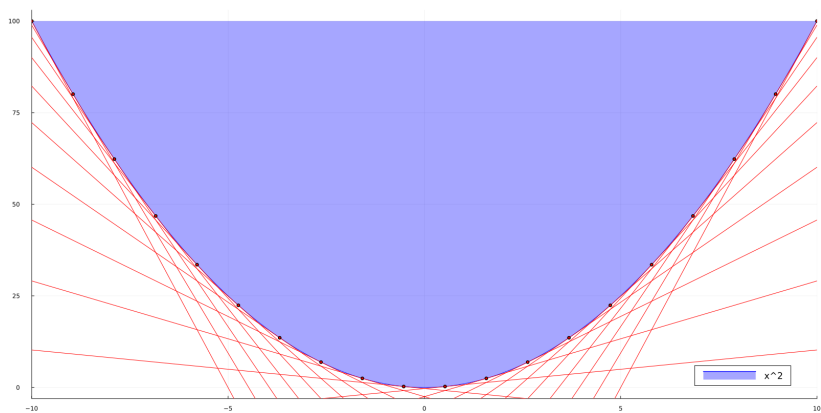
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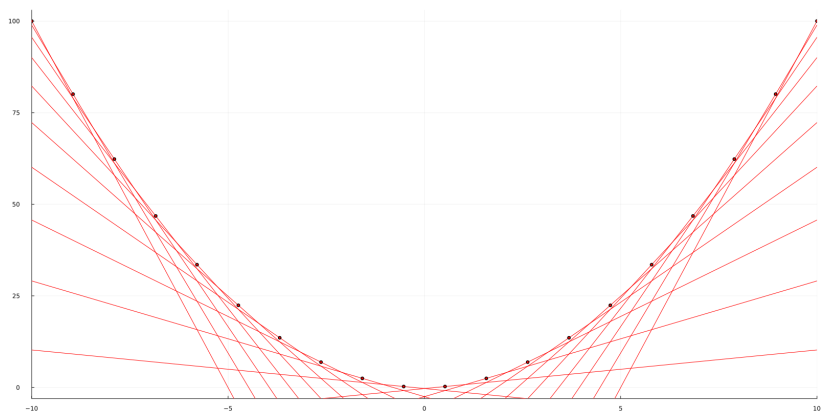
The epigraph is above its tangents

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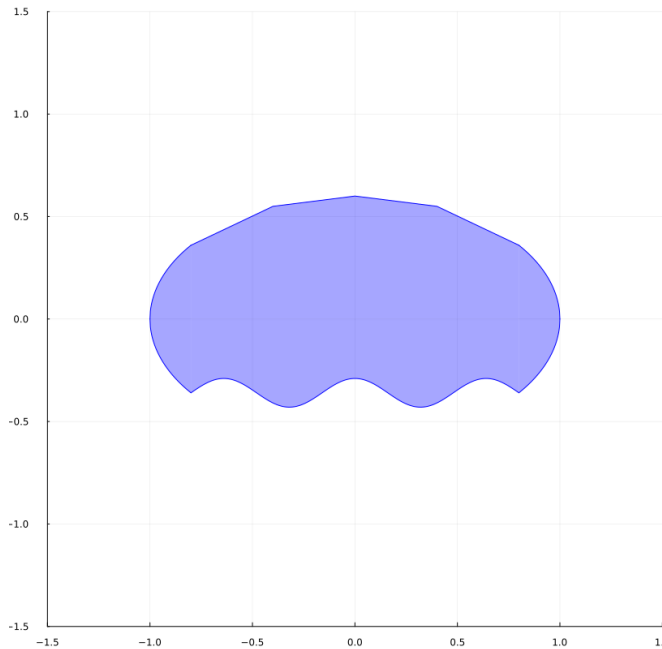


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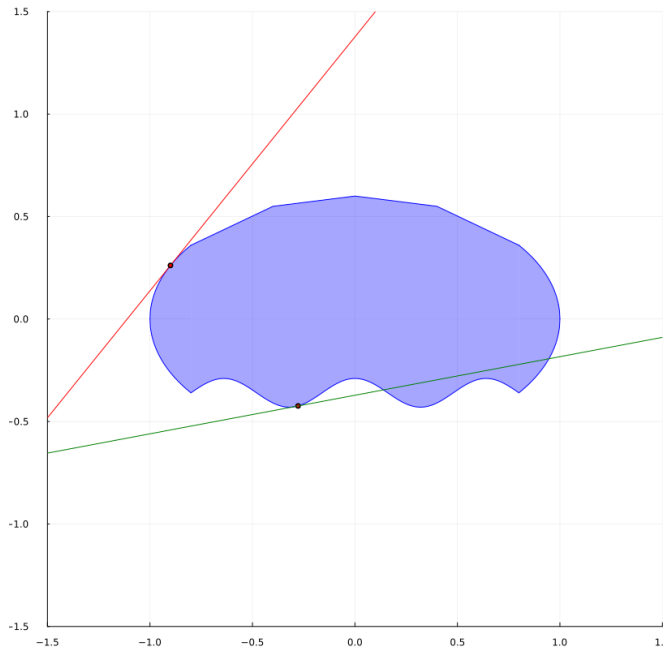
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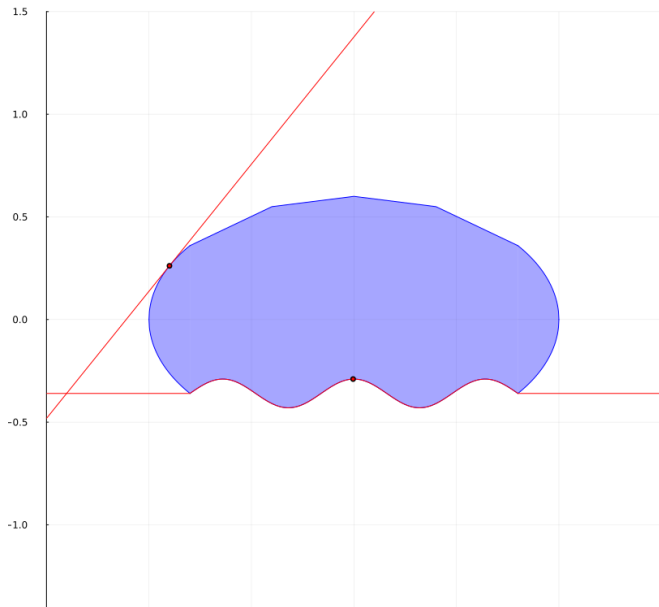
Example of a nonconvex set



Some tangents won't stay outside!



Generalized convexity: we change the shape of the tangents!



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$$T(x) = \langle x \mid \alpha \rangle + \beta, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Scalar product $\langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$

Slope: $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Intercept: $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$

$$S(u) = c(u, v) + \beta$$

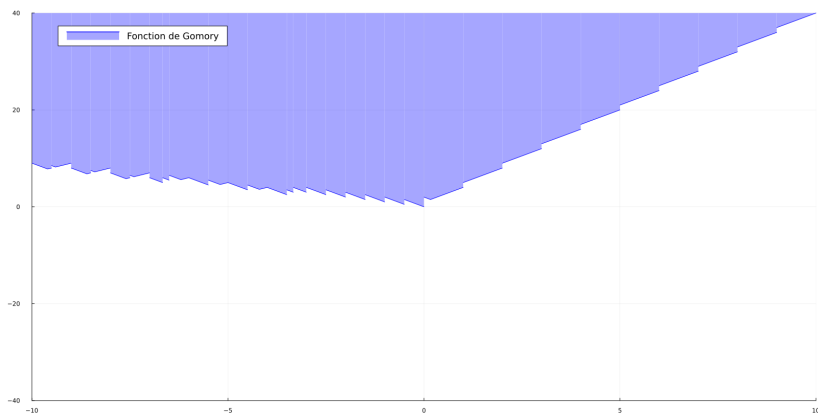
Coupling $c : U \times V \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, +\infty\}$

“Slope”: $v \in V$

Intercept: $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$

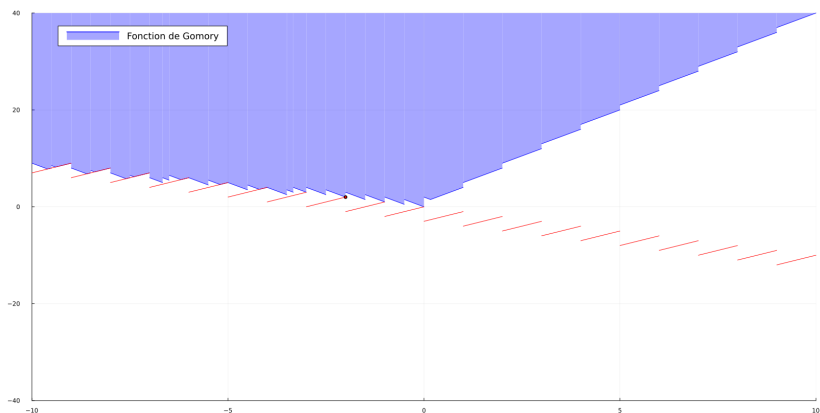
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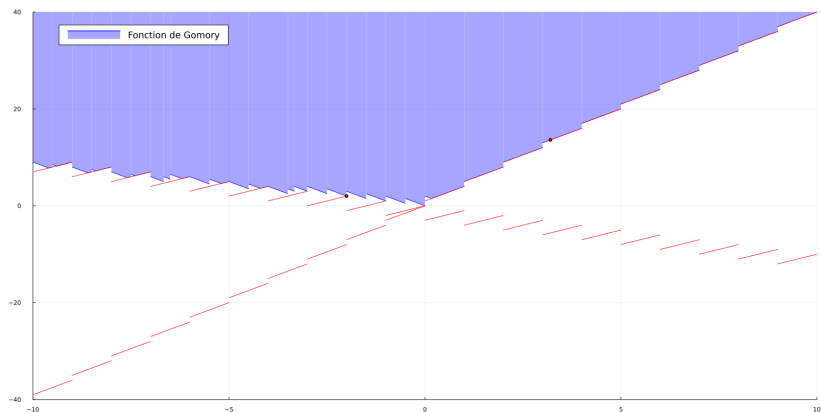
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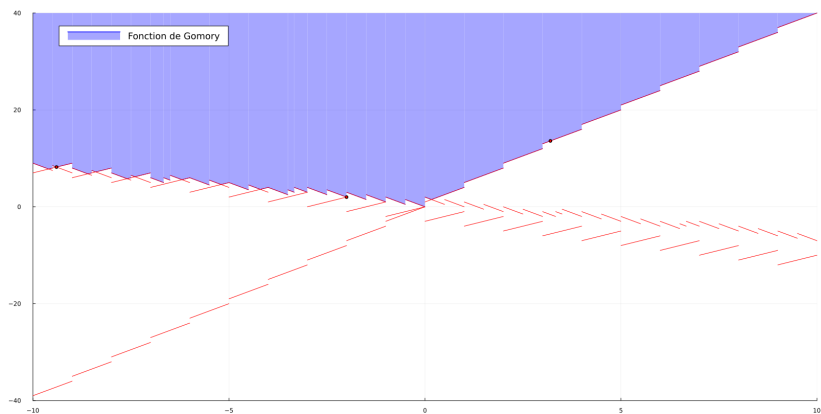
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Moreau lower and upper additions

- ▶ The Moreau **lower addition** extends the usual addition with

$$(+\infty) \dot{+} (-\infty) = (-\infty) \dot{+} (+\infty) = -\infty$$

- ▶ The Moreau **upper addition** extends the usual addition with

$$(+\infty) \dot{+} (-\infty) = (-\infty) \dot{+} (+\infty) = +\infty$$

Background on couplings and Fenchel-Moreau conjugacies

- ▶ Let be given two sets \mathcal{X} (“primal”) and \mathcal{Y} (“dual”)
- ▶ Consider a **coupling** function $c : \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}} = [-\infty, +\infty]$
- ▶ We also use the notation $\mathcal{X} \overset{c}{\leftrightarrow} \mathcal{Y}$ for a coupling

Definition

The **c -Fenchel-Moreau conjugate** of a function $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$, with respect to the coupling c , is the function $f^c : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ defined by

$$f^c(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left(c(x, y) \dot{+} (-f(x)) \right), \quad \forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$$

Fenchel-Moreau conjugate (max, +)	Kernel transform (+, \times)
$\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left(c(x, y) \dot{+} (-f(x)) \right)$	$\int_{\mathcal{X}} c(x, y) f(x) dx$

Background on couplings and Fenchel-Moreau conjugacies

With the coupling c , we associate the **reverse coupling** c'

$$c' : \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}, \quad c'(y, x) = c(x, y), \quad \forall (y, x) \in \mathcal{Y} \times \mathcal{X}$$

- ▶ The **c' -Fenchel-Moreau conjugate** of a function $g : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$, with respect to the coupling c' , is the function $g^{c'} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$g^{c'}(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left(c(x, y) \dot{+} (-g(y)) \right), \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$$

- ▶ The **c -Fenchel-Moreau biconjugate** $f^{cc'} : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ of a function $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ is given by

$$f^{cc'}(x) = (f^c)^{c'}(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left(c(x, y) \dot{+} (-f^c(y)) \right), \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$$

Dual problems: perturbation scheme [Rockafellar, 1974]

- ▶ Set \mathbb{W} , function $h : \mathbb{W} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$
and **original minimization problem**

$$\inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w)$$

- ▶ Embedding/**perturbation scheme** given by
a nonempty set \mathcal{X} (perturbations), an element $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ (**anchor**)
and a function (**Rockafellian**) $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ such that

$$h(w) = \mathcal{R}(w, \bar{x})$$

- ▶ **Perturbation function**

$$\phi(x) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, x)$$

- ▶ **Original minimization problem**

$$\phi(\bar{x}) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, \bar{x}) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w)$$

Dual problems: conjugacy, weak and strong duality

- ▶ Coupling $\mathcal{X} \overset{c}{\leftrightarrow} \mathcal{Y}$, and Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ given by

$$\mathcal{L}(w, y) = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left\{ \mathcal{R}(w, x) + (-c(x, y)) \right\}$$

- ▶ Dual function

$$\psi(y) = -\phi^c(y) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, y)$$

- ▶ Dual maximization problem (weak duality)

$$\phi^{cc'}(\bar{x}) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left\{ c(\bar{x}, y) + \psi(y) \right\} \leq \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w) = \phi(\bar{x})$$

- ▶ Strong duality holds true when ϕ is c -convex at \bar{x} , that is,

$$\phi^{cc'}(\bar{x}) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \left\{ c(\bar{x}, y) + \psi(y) \right\} = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w) = \phi(\bar{x})$$

Dual problems with general couplings

Dual problems: perturbation scheme [Rockafellar, 1974]

sets	optimization set \mathbb{W}	primal set \mathcal{X}	coupling $\mathcal{X} \overset{c}{\leftrightarrow} \mathcal{Y}$	dual set \mathcal{Y}
variables	decision $w \in \mathbb{W}$	perturbation $x \in \mathcal{X}$	$c(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$	sensitivity $y \in \mathcal{Y}$
bivariate functions		Rockafellian $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$		Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$
definition				$\mathcal{L}(w, y) = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \mathcal{R}(w, x) + (-c(x, y)) \}$
property				$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot) = (\mathcal{R}(w, \cdot))^c$
property				$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot)$ is c' -convex
univariate functions		perturbation function $\phi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$		dual function $\psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$
definition		$\phi(x) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, x)$		$\psi(y) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, y)$
property				$-\psi = \phi^c$

Anchor $\bar{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ and **dual maximization problem** (weak duality)

$$\phi^{cc'}(\bar{x}) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \{ c(\bar{x}, y) + \psi(y) \} \leq \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w) = \phi(\bar{x})$$

Strong duality iff ϕ is c -convex at \bar{x} iff $\phi^{cc'}(\bar{x}) = \phi(\bar{x})$

Duality between Lagrangians and Rockafellians (work in progress)

$(-\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{R})$ is minimal in the inequality

$$(-\mathcal{L}(w, y)) \dot{+} \mathcal{R}(w, x) \geq c(x, y)$$

$$\iff$$

$$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot) = (\mathcal{R}(w, \cdot))^c \text{ and } \mathcal{R}(w, \cdot) = (-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot))^{c'}$$

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$$\iff$$

$$\mathcal{R}(w, \cdot) = (-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot))^{c'} \text{ and } (-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot))^{c'c} = -\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot)$$

The c -subdifferential is defined as the Rockafellar-Moreau subdifferential

Definition

For any function $f : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ and $x \in \mathcal{X}$, the c -subdifferential is

$$\partial_c f(x) = \{y \in \mathcal{Y} \mid \begin{aligned} c(x', y) \dagger (-f(x')) \\ \leq c(x, y) \dagger (-f(x)), \quad \forall x' \in \mathcal{X} \end{aligned}\}$$

The following properties are satisfied

$$y \in \partial_c f(x) \iff f^c(y) = c(x, y) \dagger (-f(x))$$

"à la" Fenchel-Young

$$\partial_c f(x) \neq \emptyset \Rightarrow f^{cc'}(x) = f(x)$$

Introducing generalized convexity

Balder [1977]

Fenchel conjugate $f^*(v) = \sup_{u \in \mathbb{R}^m} \langle u v \rangle - f(u)$	c-conjugate $g^c(v) = \sup_{u \in U} c(u, v) \dagger (-g(u))$
Fenchel biconjugate $f^{**'}(u) = \sup_{v \in \mathbb{R}^m} \langle u v \rangle - f^*(v)$	c-biconjugate $g^{cc'}(u) = \sup_{v \in V} c(u, v) \dagger (-g^c(v))$
\star – convex functions $\iff f = f^{**'}$	c-convex functions $\iff g = g^{cc'}$

Perturbation-duality scheme with generalized convexity

1. We perturb a minimization problem

$$\varphi : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

2. We pair the primal space \mathbb{R}^m and a dual space V

$$c : \mathbb{R}^m \times V \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

3. We biconjugate the perturbation function φ

$$\underbrace{\varphi^{cc'}(b) \leq \varphi(b), \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{R}^m}_{\text{Weak duality is guaranteed!}}$$

4. Strong duality when φ is **c-convex**

Functions in the perturbation duality scheme

bivariate functions	univariate functions	definition	property
Rockafellian $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$			
Lagrangian $\mathcal{L} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$		$\mathcal{L}(w, y) = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \mathcal{R}(w, x) + (-c(x, y)) \}$	$-\mathcal{L}(w, \cdot) = (\mathcal{R}(w, \cdot))^c$
	perturbation $\varphi : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$	$\varphi(x) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, x)$	
	dual $\Psi : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$	$\Psi(y) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, y)$	$-\Psi = \varphi^c$
	dual objective $\Phi_{\bar{x}} : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$	$\Phi_{\bar{x}}(y) = c(\bar{x}, y) + (-\varphi^c(y))$	$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{\bar{x}}(y) &= c(\bar{x}, y) + \Psi(y) \\ \varphi^{cc'}(\bar{x}) &= \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} \Phi_{\bar{x}}(y) \end{aligned}$

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Summary of the perturbation-duality scheme

1. We partially perturb

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1}, \quad \varphi(b_1) = \inf_x \begin{cases} \langle k \mid x \rangle \\ A_1 x = b_1 \\ A_2 x = b_2 \\ x \geq 0 \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

2. We pair the primal space \mathbb{R}^{m_1} and a dual space \mathbb{R}^{m_1}

$$\langle \cdot \mid \cdot \rangle : \mathbb{R}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{m_1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

3. We biconjugate the perturbation function φ

$$\varphi^{**'}(b_1) = \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1}} \inf_x \begin{cases} \langle k \mid x \rangle + \langle \lambda \mid b_1 - A_1 x \rangle \\ A_2 x = b_2 \\ x \geq 0 \\ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases} \leq \varphi(b_1)$$

4. Strong duality when φ is lsc convex

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The class of Chvátal functions \mathcal{C}^m is the smallest class of functions $D \subset \{f | f : \mathbb{Q}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{Q}\}$ such that

$$b \in \mathbb{Q}^m \mapsto \lambda b \in D, \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{Q}^m \quad \text{(linear functions)}$$

$$\alpha F_1 + \beta F_2 \in D, \quad \forall F_1, F_2 \in D, \quad \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Q}_+ \quad \text{(conic combination)}$$

$$\lceil F \rceil \in D, \quad \forall F \in D \quad \text{(round-up)}$$

Examples in 1D

- ▶ $b \mapsto \frac{3}{4}b$
- ▶ $b \mapsto \lceil b \rceil$
- ▶ $b \mapsto \frac{3}{4}b + \frac{7}{10}\lceil b \rceil$
- ▶ $b \mapsto 15b + \frac{39}{22}\lceil \frac{3}{4}b + \frac{7}{10}\lceil b \rceil \rceil + \lceil 16b \rceil$

Chvátal perturbation-duality scheme

- ▶ We define a perturbation function

$$\forall b \in \mathbb{Q}^m, \varphi(b) = \inf_{\substack{x \\ Ax = b \\ x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n}} \langle k \mid x \rangle$$

- ▶ We define a coupling between primal and dual space

$$\begin{aligned} c_C &: \mathbb{Q}^m \times \mathcal{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ c_C(b, F) &= F(b), \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{Q}^m, \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{C}^m \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ We biconjugate the perturbation functions

$$\underbrace{\varphi^{c_C c_{C'}}(b) \leq \varphi(b), \quad \forall b \in \mathbb{Q}^m}_{\text{weak duality}}$$

- ▶ We get strong duality $\varphi^{c_C c_{C'}}(\bar{b}) = \varphi(\bar{b})$

Obtained dual problems

Formulation 1:

$$\varphi^{cc'cc'}(\bar{b}) = \sup_{F \in \mathcal{C}^m} \left\{ F(\bar{b}) + \inf_{b \in \mathbb{Q}^m} \{ \varphi(b) - F(b) \} \right\}$$

Formulation 2:

$$\varphi^{cc'cc'}(\bar{b}) = \sup_{F \in \mathcal{C}^m} \left\{ F(\bar{b}) + \inf_{x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} \{ \langle k \mid x \rangle - F(Ax) \} \right\}$$

Reminder Jeroslow's dual problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_F && F(\bar{b}) \\ & F(A_j) \leq k_j \\ & F(0) \leq 0 \\ & F \in \mathcal{C}^m \end{aligned}$$

Generalized subdifferential and complementary slackness

Proposition

- ▶ φ : bounded perturbation function of a MILP
- ▶ $A = (A_j)_{j=1,\dots,n} \in \mathbb{Q}^{m \times n}$ constraint matrix
- ▶ $\bar{b} \in \mathbb{Q}^n$ anchor

If $\hat{x} \in \{x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n \mid Ax = \bar{b}\}$ and $\hat{F} \in \mathcal{C}^m$ are "primal"-dual optimal solutions then we have the equivalence

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{F} &\in \partial^{\text{cc}} \varphi(\bar{b}) \\ \iff -k &\in \partial(-\hat{F} \circ A \dagger \delta_{\mathbb{Z}_+^n})(\hat{x}) \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, if $\hat{F}(A_j) \leq k_j, \forall j = 1, \dots, n$, then the following assertion is also equivalent

$$\hat{F}(0) \leq 0, \quad \hat{F}(\bar{b}) = \varphi(\bar{b}) \text{ and } (k_j - \hat{F}(A_j))\hat{x}_j = 0, \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, n.$$

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Subdifferential of the perturbation function (sensitivity analysis)

The **perturbation function** is

$$\varphi(u) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{R}(w, u), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{U}$$

Theorem [Rockafellar, 1974, Theorem 16, p. 40]

For $\bar{v} \in \mathbb{V}$, the following conditions are equivalent

1. $\bar{v} \in \arg \max_{v \in \mathbb{V}} \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v)$ and
 $\max_{v \in \mathbb{V}} \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, v) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w)$
2. $\bar{v} \in \partial\varphi(\bar{u})$
3. $\inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} h(w) = \inf_{w \in \mathbb{W}} \mathcal{L}(w, \bar{v})$

Subdifferential of the perturbation function (sensitivity analysis)

The convex case

Theorem [Rockafellar, 1974, Theorem 18, p. 41]

Suppose that

- ▶ the function $\mathcal{R} : \mathbb{W} \times \mathbb{U} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$ is convex
- ▶ there exists $w \in \mathbb{W}$ such that the function $u \mapsto \mathcal{R}(w, u)$ is bounded above in a neighborhood of \bar{u}

Then there exists $\bar{v} \in \mathbb{V}$ such that

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Slater qualification constraint

The convex case

Theorem [Rockafellar, 1974, p. 45]

Suppose that

- ▶ the functions h and $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_p$ are is convex
- ▶ there exists $w \in \mathbb{W}$ such that

$$\theta_1(w) < \bar{u}_1, \dots, \theta_p(w) < \bar{u}_p$$

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Optimal transport

The optimal transport problem is

$$\inf_{\pi \in \Pi(P_0, P_1)} \int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b)$$

where

- ▶ the sets \mathbb{A} and \mathbb{B} are two Polish spaces
- ▶ we denote by $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B})$, $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A})$ and $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{B})$ the corresponding **probability spaces** (rectangle and marginals)
- ▶ the set $\Pi(P_0, P_1)$ is made of **probabilities** $\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B})$ on the rectangle, whose **marginals** are $P_0 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A})$ and $P_1 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{B})$
- ▶ the measurable **cost function** $k : \mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow]-\infty, +\infty]$, where $k(a, b)$ represents the cost to move from $a \in \mathbb{A}$ towards $b \in \mathbb{B}$

We introduce a suitable coupling between probabilities and functions

- ▶ We denote by $C_b^0(\mathbb{A})$ and $C_b^0(\mathbb{B})$
the **spaces of continuous bounded functions**
- ▶ We introduce the **bilinear coupling**

$$\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A}) \times \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{B}) \xleftrightarrow{\beta} C_b^0(\mathbb{A}) \times C_b^0(\mathbb{B})$$

$$\beta((P_0, P_1); (f, g)) = \int_{\mathbb{B}} g(b) dP_1(b) - \int_{\mathbb{A}} f(a) dP_0(a)$$

The k -conjugacy appears naturally
as a sub-product of computations with the β -conjugacy

The optimal cost is, as function of marginals,

$$K(P_0, P_1) = \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(P_0, P_1)} \int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b)$$

and its β -conjugate is

$$\begin{aligned} K^\beta(f, g) &= \sup_{a \in \mathbb{A}, b \in \mathbb{B}} [g(b) - f(a) - k(a, b)] \\ &= \sup_{b \in \mathbb{B}} \left(g(b) + \underbrace{f^{-k}(b)}_{k\text{-conjugate}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Conjugacy properties in optimal transport

$$K(P_0, P_1) = \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(P_0, P_1)} \int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b)$$

$$D(f, g) = \sup_{a \in \mathbb{A}, b \in \mathbb{B}} [g(b) - f(a) - k(a, b)] = \sup_{b \in \mathbb{B}} (g(b) + f^{-k}(b))$$

We have the following conjugacy equalities and inequalities

$$K^\beta(f, g) = D(f, g) = D^{\beta' \beta}(f, g)$$

$$K(P_0, P_1) \geq K^{\beta \beta'}(P_0, P_1) = D^{\beta'}(P_0, P_1)$$

$$= \sup_{f, g} \left(\int_{\mathbb{B}} g(b) dP_1(b) - \int_{\mathbb{A}} f(a) dP_0(a) - D(f, g) \right)$$

$$\geq \sup_{g - f \leq k} \left(\int_{\mathbb{B}} g(b) dP_1(b) - \int_{\mathbb{A}} f(a) dP_0(a) \right)$$

Perturbation for optimal transport

$$\begin{aligned} & \inf_{\pi \in \Pi(P_0, P_1)} \int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b) \\ &= \inf_{\pi \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B})} \left(\int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b) \dagger \delta_{\Pi(P_0, P_1)}(\pi) \right) \\ &\geq \sup_{f \in C_b^0(\mathbb{A}), g \in C_b^0(\mathbb{B})} \left(- \left(\pi \mapsto \int_{\mathbb{A} \times \mathbb{B}} k(a, b) d\pi(a, b) \right)^\alpha (f, g) \right) \dagger \left(-\delta_{\Pi(P_0, P_1)}^{-\alpha} \right) \\ &= \sup_{f \in C_b^0(\mathbb{A}), g \in C_b^0(\mathbb{B})} \left(- \sup_{a \in \mathbb{A}, b \in \mathbb{B}} [f(a) - g(b) - k(a, b)] \right) \dagger \left(\int_{\mathbb{A}} f(a) dP_0 \right) \\ &= \sup_{f \in C_b^0(\mathbb{A}), g \in C_b^0(\mathbb{B})} \left(- \sup_{a \in \mathbb{A}} [f(a) + g^{-k}(a)] \right) \\ &\quad + \int_{\mathbb{A}} f(a) dP_0(a) - \int_{\mathbb{B}} g(b) dP_1(b) \\ &= \left((f, g) \mapsto \sup_{a \in \mathbb{A}} [f(a) + g^{-k}(a)] \right)^{\alpha'} (P_0 \otimes P_1) \end{aligned}$$

Thank you for your attention !

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