

We can now use CVX to solve the equivalent problem (8.13):

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cvx_begin
variable z(3)
minimize(d'*z-2*abs(f)'*sqrt(z))
subject to
sum(z)<=1
z>=0
cvx_end
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The optimal solution is then computed by  $y_i = -\text{sgn}(f_i)\sqrt{z_i}$  and then  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{y}$ :

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>> y=-sign(f).*sqrt(z);
>> x=U*y
x =

-0.2300
-0.7259
0.6482
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## Exercises

8.1. Consider the problem

$$(P) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s.t.} & g(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 \\ & \mathbf{x} \in X, \end{array}$$

where  $f$  and  $g$  are convex functions over  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  is a convex set. Suppose that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is an optimal solution of (P) that satisfies  $g(\mathbf{x}^*) < 0$ . Show that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is also an optimal solution of the problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s.t.} & \mathbf{x} \in X. \end{array}$$

8.2. Let  $C = B[\mathbf{x}_0, r]$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$  are given. Find a formula for the orthogonal projection operator  $P_C$ .

8.3. Let  $f$  be a strictly convex function over  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and let  $g$  be a convex function over  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Define the function

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}) + g(\mathbf{x}),$$

where  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ . Assume that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and  $\mathbf{y}^*$  are optimal solutions of the unconstrained problem of minimizing  $h$ . Show that  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}^*$ .

8.4. For each of the following optimization problems (a) show that it is convex, (b) write a CVX code that solves it, and (c) write down the optimal solution (by running CVX).

(i)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 3x_1 - 4x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & \sqrt{2x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 4x_2^2 + 4} + \frac{(x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 1)^2}{x_1 + x_2} \leq 6 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 1. \end{array}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & (x_1 - x_2)^2 + (x_3 + 2x_4)^4 \leq 5 \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4x_4 \leq 6 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 5x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 2x_2x_3 + |x_1 - x_2| \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1^2 + x_2^2}{x_3} + (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 1)^4 \leq 10 \\ & x_3 \geq 10. \end{aligned}$$

(iv)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} + 2x_1 + 5 + x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2 + 2x_1 + 3x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1^2}{x_1 + x_2} + \left(\frac{x_1^2}{x_2} + 1\right)^8 \leq 100 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \geq 4 \\ & x_2 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

(v)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & |2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3| + x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + \sqrt{2x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 7x_2^2 + 10x_2 + 6} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{x_1^2 + 1}{x_2} + 2x_1^2 + 5x_2^2 + 10x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 \leq 7 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

For this problem also show that the expression inside the square root is always nonnegative, i.e.,  $2x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 7x_2^2 + 10x_2 + 6 \geq 0$  for all  $x_1, x_2$ .

(vi)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2x_2 + 3x_3} + 5x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 + \frac{x_1^2 + x_1 + 1}{x_2 + x_3} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \max\{x_1 + x_2, x_3^2\} + (x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 5x_2^2 + 1)^2 \leq 10 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.1. \end{aligned}$$

(vii)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sqrt{2x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 7} + (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 1)^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{(x_1 + x_2)^2}{x_3 + 1} + x_1^8 \leq 7 \\ & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 \leq 10 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(viii)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{x_1^4 + 2x_1^2x_2^2 + x_2^4}{x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2} + \sqrt{x_3^2 + 1} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2x_3 \leq 100 \\ & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 2 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

(ix)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{x_1^4}{x_2^2} + \frac{x_2^4}{x_1^2} + 2x_1x_2 + |x_1 + 5| + |x_2 + 5| + |x_3 + 5| \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \left(\left(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + 1\right)^2 + 1\right)^2 + x_1^4 + x_2^4 + x_3^4 \leq 200 \\ & \max\{x_1^2 + 4x_1x_2 + 9x_2^2, x_1, x_2\} \leq 40 \\ & x_1 \geq 1 \\ & x_2 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{(x)} \\
 & \min \quad (x_1 + x_2 + x_3)^8 + x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2x_3 + 2x_1x_3 \\
 & \text{s.t.} \quad (|x_1 - 2x_2| + 1)^4 + \frac{1}{x_3} \leq 10, \\
 & \quad \quad 2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \leq 1, \\
 & \quad \quad 0 \leq x_3 \leq 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

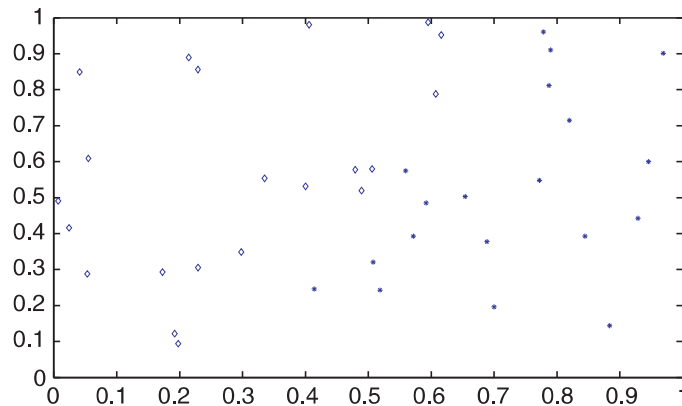
- 8.5. Suppose that we are given 40 points in the plane. Each of these points belongs to one of two classes. Specifically, there are 19 points of class 1 and 21 points of class 2. The points are generated and plotted by the MATLAB commands

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rand('seed', 314);
x=rand(40,1);
y=rand(40,1);
class=[2*x<y+0.5]+1;
A1=[x(find(class==1)),y(find(class==1))];
A2=[x(find(class==2)),y(find(class==2))];
plot(A1(:,1),A1(:,2),'*','MarkerSize',6)
hold on
plot(A2(:,1),A2(:,2),'d','MarkerSize',6)
hold off

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The plot of the points is given in Figure 8.8. Note that the rows of  $\mathbf{A}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{19 \times 2}$  are the 19 points of class 1 and the rows of  $\mathbf{A}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{21 \times 2}$  are the 21 points of class 2. Write a CVX-based code for finding the maximum-margin line separating the two classes of points.



**Figure 8.8.** 40 points of two classes: class 1 points are denoted by asterisks, and class 2 points are denoted by diamonds.

Taking  $n$  to  $\infty$  and using the continuity of  $f$ , we obtain that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0.$$

Now let  $i \in I_0(\mathbf{x}^*)$ . If there exist an infinite number of indices  $k_n$  for which  $x_i^{k_n+1} \neq 0$ , then as in the previous case, we obtain that  $x_i^{k_n+1} = x_i^{k_n} - \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^{k_n})$  for these indices, implying (by taking the limit) that  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$ . In particular,  $|\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^*)| \leq LM_s(\mathbf{x}^*)$ . On the other hand, if there exists an  $M > 0$  such that for all  $n > M$   $x_i^{k_n+1} = 0$ , then

$$\left| x_i^{k_n} - \frac{1}{L} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^{k_n}) \right| \leq M_s \left( \mathbf{x}^{k_n} - \frac{1}{L} \nabla f(\mathbf{x}^{k_n}) \right) = M_s(\mathbf{x}^{k_n+1}).$$

Thus, taking  $n$  to infinity, while exploiting the continuity of the function  $M_s$ , we obtain that

$$\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^*) \right| \leq LM_s(\mathbf{x}^*),$$

and hence, by Lemma 9.20, the desired result is established.

### Exercises

9.1. Let  $f$  be a continuously differentiable convex function over a closed and convex set  $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that  $\mathbf{x}^* \in C$  is an optimal solution of the problem

$$(P) \quad \min\{f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in C\}$$

if and only if

$$\langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{x}^* - \mathbf{x} \rangle \leq 0 \text{ for all } \mathbf{x} \in C.$$

9.2. Consider the Huber function

$$H_\mu(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{cases} \frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{2\mu}, & \|\mathbf{x}\| \leq \mu, \\ \|\mathbf{x}\| - \frac{\mu}{2}, & \text{else,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\mu > 0$  is a given parameter. Show that  $H_\mu \in C_{\frac{1}{\mu}}^{1,1}$ .

9.3. Consider the minimization problem

$$(Q) \quad \begin{aligned} \min \quad & 2x_1^2 + 3x_2^2 + 4x_3^2 + 2x_1x_2 - 2x_1x_3 - 8x_1 - 4x_2 - 2x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(i) Show that the vector  $(\frac{17}{7}, 0, \frac{6}{7})^T$  is an optimal solution of (Q).

(ii) Employ the gradient projection method via MATLAB with constant stepsize  $\frac{1}{L}$  ( $L$  being the Lipschitz constant of the gradient of the objective function). Show the function values of the first 100 iterations and the produced solution.

9.4. Consider the minimization problem

$$(P) \quad \min\{f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} = 1, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n\},$$

where  $f$  is a continuously differentiable function over  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}_{++}^n$ . Show that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  satisfying  $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}^* = 1$  is a stationary point of (P) if and only if

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}(\mathbf{x}^*) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2}(\mathbf{x}^*) = \dots = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

$$a_1 \qquad \qquad a_2 \qquad \qquad \qquad a_n$$

9.5. Consider the minimization problem

$$(P) \quad \min\{f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in \Delta_n\},$$

where  $f$  is a continuously differentiable function over  $\Delta_n$ . Prove that  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \Delta_n$  is a stationary point of (P) if and only if there exists  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}(\mathbf{x}^*) \begin{cases} = \mu, & x_i^* > 0, \\ \geq \mu, & x_i^* = 0. \end{cases}$$

9.6. Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be a nonempty closed and convex set, and let  $f \in C_L^{1,1}(S)$  be a convex function over  $S$ . Assume that the optimal value of the problem

$$(P) \quad \min\{f(\mathbf{x}) : \mathbf{x} \in S\},$$

denoted by  $f^*$  is real. Prove that for any  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  the following inequality holds:

$$f(\mathbf{x}) - f^* \geq \frac{1}{2L} \|G_L(\mathbf{x})\|^2,$$

where  $G_L(\mathbf{x}) = L[\mathbf{x} - P_S(\mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{L}\nabla f(\mathbf{x}))]$ .

9.7. Let  $f \in C_L^{1,1}(S)$  be a strongly convex function over a nonempty closed convex set  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  with strong convexity parameter  $\sigma > 0$ , that is,

$$f(\mathbf{y}) \geq f(\mathbf{x}) + \langle \nabla f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x} \rangle + \frac{\sigma}{2} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}\|^2 \text{ for all } \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in S.$$

Consider the problem

$$(P) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & f(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s.t.} & \mathbf{x} \in S, \end{array}$$

where  $S$  is a closed and convex set. Let  $\{\mathbf{x}_k\}_{k \geq 0}$  be the sequence generated by the gradient projection method for solving problem (P) with a constant stepsize  $t_k = \frac{1}{L}$ . Let  $\mathbf{x}^*$  be the optimal solution of (P), and let  $f^*$  be the optimal value of (P). Prove that there exists a constant  $c \in (0, 1)$  such that for any  $k \geq 0$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_{k+1} - \mathbf{x}^*\| \leq c \|\mathbf{x}_k - \mathbf{x}^*\|.$$

Find an explicit expression for  $c$ .

Therefore, by Lemma 1.12 an optimal solution of the problem is an eigenvector of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{I}_m - \frac{1}{m}\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T)\mathbf{A}$  corresponding to the minimum eigenvalue; the optimal function value is the minimum eigenvalue  $\lambda_{\min}[\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{I}_m - \frac{1}{m}\mathbf{e}\mathbf{e}^T)\mathbf{A}]$ .

## Exercises

10.1. Show that the dual cone of

$$M = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}\} \quad (\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n})$$

is

$$M^* = \{\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}_+^m\}.$$

10.2. (**nonhomogenous Farkas' lemma**) Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , and  $d \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that there exists  $\mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}$  such that  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{c}$ . Prove that exactly one of the following two systems is feasible:

A.  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} > d$ .

B.  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} \leq d, \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}$ .

10.3. Let  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that exactly one of the following two systems is feasible:

A.  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} > 0$ .

B.  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{y} \leq \mathbf{0}$ .

10.4. Prove Motzkin's theorem of the alternative: the system

$$(I) \quad \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}\mathbf{d} < \mathbf{0}, \\ \mathbf{B}\mathbf{d} \leq \mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

has a solution if and only if the system

$$(II) \quad \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}, \\ \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0} \end{array}$$

does not have a solution (here  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ ).

10.5. Prove the following nonhomogenous version of Gordan's alternative theorem: Given  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , exactly one of these two systems is feasible.

A.  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} < \mathbf{b}$ .

B.  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} \leq 0, \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{y} \neq \mathbf{0}$ .

10.6. Consider the maximization problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 - 3x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 + x_2 = 1 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

- (i) Is the problem convex?
- (ii) Find all the KKT points of the problem.
- (iii) Find the optimal solution of the problem.

10.7. Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & -x_1 x_2 x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_3 \leq 48, \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Write the KKT conditions for the problem.
- (ii) Find the optimal solution of the problem.

10.8. Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + x_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 \leq a, \end{aligned}$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  is a parameter.

- (i) Prove that for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , the problem has a unique optimal solution (without actually solving it).
- (ii) Solve the problem (the solution will be in terms of the parameter  $a$ ).
- (iii) Let  $f(a)$  be the optimal value of the problem with parameter  $a$ . Write an explicit expression for  $f$  and prove that it is a convex function.

10.9. Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_1 x_2 + x_2 x_3 - 2x_1 - 4x_2 - 6x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Is the problem convex?
- (ii) Find all the KKT points of the problem.
- (iii) Find the optimal solution of the problem.

10.10. Consider the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 \geq 4 \\ & x_3 \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Write down the KKT conditions.
- (ii) Without solving the KKT system, prove that the problem has a unique optimal solution and that this solution satisfies the KKT conditions.
- (iii) Find the optimal solution of the problem using the KKT system.

10.11. Use the KKT conditions in order to solve the problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & -2x_1 - x_2 + 10 \leq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

## Exercises

11.1. Consider the optimization problem

$$(P) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & x_1 - 4x_2 + x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 = -2, \\ & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 1. \end{array}$$

- (i) Given a KKT point of problem (P), must it be an optimal solution?
- (ii) Find the optimal solution of the problem using the KKT conditions.

11.2. Consider the optimization problem

$$(P) \quad \min\{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{x} + c \leq 0\},$$

where  $\mathbf{Q} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is positive definite,  $\mathbf{a} (\neq \mathbf{0}), \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (i) For which values of  $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{b}, c$  is the problem feasible?
- (ii) For which values of  $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{b}, c$  are the KKT conditions necessary?
- (iii) For which values of  $\mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{b}, c$  are the KKT conditions sufficient?
- (iv) Under the condition of part (ii), find the optimal solution of (P) using the KKT conditions.

11.3. Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & x_1^4 - 2x_2^2 - x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_2 \leq 0. \end{array}$$

- (i) Is the problem convex?
- (ii) Prove that there exists an optimal solution to the problem.
- (iii) Find all the KKT points. For each of the points, determine whether it satisfies the second order necessary conditions.
- (iv) Find the optimal solution of the problem.

11.4. Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & x_1^2 - x_2^2 - x_3^2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1^4 + x_2^4 + x_3^4 \leq 1. \end{array}$$

- (i) Is the problem convex?
- (ii) Find all the KKT points of the problem.
- (iii) Find the optimal solution of the problem.



11.5. Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & -2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 4x_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4 \leq 0, \\ & x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 4x_1 + 3 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Prove that there exists an optimal solution to the problem.
- (ii) Find all the KKT points.
- (iii) Find the optimal solution of the problem.

11.6. Use the KKT conditions in order to find an optimal solution of the each of the following problems:

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 3x_1^2 + x_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 - x_2 + 8 \leq 0, \\ & x_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 3x_1^2 + x_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 3x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_1 + x_2 + 0.1 \leq 0, \\ & x_2 + 10 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 2x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 4x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2 \leq 0, \\ & 4x_1 + x_2 + 3 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

(iv)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^3 + x_2^3 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

(v)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1^4 - x_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1, \\ & 2x_2 + 1 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

11.7. Let  $a > 0$ . Find all the optimal solutions of

$$\max\{x_1 x_2 x_3 : a^2 x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 \leq 1\}.$$

11.8. (i) Find a formula for the orthogonal projection of a vector  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  onto the set

$$C = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 \leq 1\}.$$

The formula should depend on a single parameter that is a root of a strictly decreasing one-dimensional function.

- (ii) Write a MATLAB function whose input is a three-dimensional vector and its output is the orthogonal projection of the input onto  $C$ .

11.9. Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 2x_1 x_2 + \frac{1}{2} x_3^2 \\ \text{(P) s.t.} \quad & 2x_1 x_3 + \frac{1}{2} x_2^2 \leq 0, \\ & 2x_2 x_3 + \frac{1}{2} x_1^2 \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

- (i) Show that the optimal solution of problem (P) is  $\mathbf{x}^* = (0, 0, 0)$ .  
(ii) Show that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  does not satisfy the second order necessary optimality conditions.

11.10. Consider the convex optimization problem

$$(P) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & f_0(\mathbf{x}) \\ \text{s.t.} & f_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \end{array}$$

where  $f_0$  is a continuously differentiable convex function and  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m$  are continuously differentiable *strictly* convex functions. Let  $\mathbf{x}^*$  be a feasible solution of (P). Suppose that the following condition is satisfied: there exist  $\gamma_i \geq 0, i \in \{0\} \cup I(\mathbf{x}^*)$ , which are not all zeros such that

$$\gamma_0 \nabla f_0(\mathbf{x}^*) + \sum_{i \in I(\mathbf{x}^*)} \gamma_i \nabla f_i(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{0}.$$

Prove that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is an optimal solution of (P).

11.11. Consider the optimization problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} & f_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \end{array}$$

where  $\mathbf{c} \neq \mathbf{0}$  and  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m$  are continuous over  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Prove that if  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a local minimum of the problem, then  $I(\mathbf{x}^*) \neq \emptyset$ .

11.12. Consider the QCQP problem

$$(QCQP) \quad \begin{array}{ll} \min & \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}_0 \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{b}_0^T \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} & \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{x} + 2\mathbf{b}_i^T \mathbf{x} + c_i \leq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \end{array}$$

where  $\mathbf{A}_0, \mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_m \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are symmetric matrices,  $\mathbf{b}_0, \mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_m \in \mathbb{R}$ . Suppose that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  satisfies the following condition: there exist  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_m \geq 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \mathbf{A}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \mathbf{A}_i \right) \mathbf{x}^* + \left( \mathbf{b}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \mathbf{b}_i \right) &= \mathbf{0}, \\ \lambda_i \left[ (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \mathbf{A}_i (\mathbf{x}^*) + 2\mathbf{b}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* + c_i \right] &= 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \mathbf{A}_i (\mathbf{x}^*) + 2\mathbf{b}_i^T \mathbf{x}^* + c_i &\leq 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ \mathbf{A}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \mathbf{A}_i &\geq \mathbf{0}. \end{aligned}$$

Prove that  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is an optimal solution of (QCQP).