

Linear and Integer Optimization

Programming Exercise 1

Implement the Fourier-Motzkin elimination algorithm to decide if an LP $\max\{c^t x \mid Ax \leq b\}$ has a feasible solution. If it has a solution, print a solution vector to the standard output as a single line. If it does not have a solution, print the string “empty” followed by a certificate vector $u \geq 0$ with $u^t A = 0^t$ and $u^t b < 0$ (in one line). The program has to be implemented in C/C++ and compile with either the GNU compilers gcc/g++ or clang/clang++. The program should be run from the command line and read in a text file, whose name is given as an argument. The text file specifies the LP in the following format.

- The first line contains the number m of rows and n of columns of A .
- The second line contains n floating point numbers specifying c .
- The third line contains m floating point numbers specifying b .
- The next m lines contain the rows of A . Each line contains the n floating point numbers in the respective row.
- Entries in the same line are separated by blanks.

On the web site to the exercises you find test instances.

Example: The linear program

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & (-2, 0, 8) \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t.} & \begin{pmatrix} 3.5 & -2 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & -4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} \leq \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{array}$$

will be encoded as follows:

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2 3
-2.0 0.0 8.0
3.0 0.0
3.5 -2.0 5.0
0.0 1.0 -4.0
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Of course, you can ignore the vector c for this exercise. (20 points)

Due date: Thursday, May 2, 2019, before the lecture. Please send your solution via e-mail to you tutor.