

(3) a) Theorem If the system $Ax \leq b$ of rational linear inequalities has a solution, it has one of size $\in \text{poly size}[A, b]$.

Proof. Let $\{x \mid A'x = b'\}$ be a minimal face of the polyhedron $\{x \mid Ax \leq b\}$ where $[A' b']$ is a submatrix of $[A b]$. By 1, d) that minimal face contains a point of polynomial size. \square

b) Farkas' Lemma: Let A be a matrix and b be a vector. Then there exists a column vector $x \geq 0$ with $Ax = b$ if and only if $yb \geq 0$ for each row vector y with $yA \geq 0$.

Proof: e.g. Schrijver, TLIP §7.3

c) Cor The following problems have good characterizations: LP-feasibility

i) Given A and b (rational), does $Ax \leq b$ have a solution? decision vs. finding

ii) Given A and b , does $Ax = b$ have a nonnegative solution?

iii) Given A, b, c and f , does $Ax \leq b, cx > f$ have a solution?

(4) a) Let $P = P(A, b) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Ax \leq b\}$
 be a nonempty polyhedron with
 minimal faces F_1, \dots, F_r . Pick a point
 x_i from each minimal face F_i . Then

$$P = \text{conv}\{x_1, \dots, x_r\} + \text{rec } P$$

where

$$\text{rec } P := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \forall x \in P \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} : x + \lambda y \in P\}$$

recession cone of P

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{lin } P := \{y \in \text{rec } P \mid -y \in \text{rec } P\} \\ \text{lineality space} = \{x \mid Ax = 0\} \end{array} \right]$$

b) Let $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a rational polyhedron

Def facet complexity of $P :=$ smallest
 number $\varphi \geq n$ such that $\exists x, A, b$ with
 $P = P(A, b)$ and each inequality has $\text{size} \leq \varphi$

Def vertex complexity of $P :=$ smallest
 number $\nu \geq n$ such that $\exists x_1, \dots, x_k$
 and $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_t$ with

$$P = \text{conv}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\} + \text{pos}\{\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_t\}$$

where each x_i, γ_j has $\text{size} \leq \nu$.

Run both notions defined over if P has no vertices or facets

c) Then Let $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a rational polyhedron with facet complexity φ and vertex complexity v .

Then $v \leq 4n^2\varphi$ and $\varphi \leq 4n^2v$

Proof. Let $P = P(A, b)$ such that each ridge in $Ax \leq b$ has size $\leq \varphi$.

(i) Let F_1, \dots, F_k be the minimal faces of P . Then $F_i = P(A', b')$ for some submatrix $[A' \ b']$ of $[A \ b] \Rightarrow$ each ridge in $A'x \leq b'$ has size $\leq \varphi$

By (1, f) F_i contains a point x_i of size $\leq 4n^2\varphi$.

(ii) Similarly, let $P = P(A, \sigma)$ has a basis where each vector has size $\leq 4n^2\varphi$.

(iii) Each minimal proper face F of $\text{rec } P$ contains a vector $y \notin \text{int } P$ of size $\leq 4n^2\varphi$ twice

$$F = \{x \mid A'x = \sigma, ax \leq \sigma\}$$

for some submatrix A' of A and some \square

row a of A . [2nd claim, e.g. Schrijver TLIP Thm 10.2]

d) Cor Let $A \in \mathbb{Q}^{m \times n}$, $b \in \mathbb{Q}^m$, $c \in \mathbb{Q}^n$

such that the optima

(*) $\max \{cx \mid Ax \leq b\} = \min \{\gamma b \mid \gamma \geq 0, \gamma b = c\}$
are finite. Let σ be the max. size of
the coefficients of A, b, c . Then

i) the maximum in (*) has an
opt. solution of size $\in \text{poly}(n, \sigma)$

ii) the minimum in (*) has...

iii) the opt value (*) $\in \text{poly}(n, \sigma)$.

(5) a) *LP-optimization problem*

Given A, b, c rational, test if
 $\max \{cx \mid Ax \leq b\}$ is infeasible, finite
or unbounded. If it is finite, find
opt. solution. If unbounded, find
feasible solution x_0 and vector z
with $Az \leq 0$ and $Cz > 0$.

compare with LP-feasibility (3, c i)

b) LP-feasibility \Rightarrow LP-optimization:

Given A, b, c

i) check $Ax \leq b$ and find feasible x_0 .

ii) check if $\gamma \geq 0, \gamma A = c$ feasible

iii) Then

(**) $Ax \leq b, y \geq 0, yA = c, cx \geq yb$
has a solution (x^*, y^*) which
is an optimal dual pair for (*).

c) LP optimization \Rightarrow LP-feasibility

Take $c = 0$ as objective function. *naive!*

d) Again let $A \in \mathbb{Q}^{m \times n}$ $b \in \mathbb{Q}^m$

A point $x \in P = P(A, b)$ is interior

if $Ax < b$. This exists iff $\dim P = n$.

Consider the linear program

(***) $\max \{ \epsilon \mid Ax + \mathbb{1}_m \epsilon \leq b, 0 \leq \epsilon \leq 1 \}$

*not necessary
but useful
in practice*

i) The LP (***) is feasible iff
 $Ax \leq b$ is feasible, i.e. $P \neq \emptyset$.

ii) The LP (***) has an optimal
solution with $\epsilon > 0$ iff $\text{int}(P) \neq \emptyset$.