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Linear Programming with
MATLAB IGI Global

This book presents new insights and successful solutions to the operational problems of automated container terminals and cargo systems. It comprises reports on the state of the art, applications of quantitative methods, as well as case studies and simulation results. Its contributions are written by leading experts from academia and business and address practitioners and researchers in logistics, transportation, and management.

Linear Network Optimization
Springer Science & Business
Media

This book brings together papers from the 2018 International Conference on Communications, Signal Processing, and Systems, which was held in Dalian, China on July 14 – 16, 2018. Presenting the latest developments and discussing the interactions and links between these multidisciplinary fields, the book spans topics ranging from communications, signal processing and systems. It is aimed at undergraduate and graduate electrical engineering, computer science and mathematics students, researchers and engineers from academia and industry as well as government employees.

Network Flows and Monotropic Optimization
Springer Science & Business Media

The book is an introductory

textbook mainly for students of computer science and mathematics. Our guiding phrase is "what every theoretical computer scientist should know about linear programming". A major focus is on applications of linear programming, both in practice and in theory. The book is concise, but at the same time, the main results are covered with complete proofs and in sufficient detail, ready for presentation in class. The book does not require more prerequisites than basic linear algebra, which is summarized in an appendix. One of its main goals is to help the reader to see linear programming "behind the scenes".

14th International Symposium, SEA 2015, Paris, France, June 29 – July 1, 2015, Proceedings Athena Scientific

An insightful,

comprehensive, and up-to-date treatment of linear, nonlinear, and discrete/combinatorial network optimization problems, their applications, and their analytical and algorithmic methodology. It covers extensively theory, algorithms, and applications, and it aims to bridge the gap between linear and nonlinear network optimization on one hand, and integer/combinatorial network optimization on the other. It complements several of our books: Convex Optimization Theory (Athena Scientific, 2009), Convex Optimization Algorithms (Athena Scientific, 2015), Introduction to Linear Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1997), Nonlinear Programming (Athena Scientific, 1999), as well as our other book on the subject of network optimization Network Flows and Monotropic Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1998). Interior Point Methods for Linear Optimization Springer Science & Business Media

A uniquely pedagogical, insightful, and rigorous treatment of the analytical/geometrical foundations of

optimization. The book provides a comprehensive development of convexity theory, and its rich applications in optimization, including duality, minimax/saddle point theory, Lagrange multipliers, and Lagrangian relaxation /nondifferentiable optimization. It is an excellent supplement to several of our books: Convex Optimization Theory (Athena Scientific, 2009), Convex Optimization Algorithms (Athena Scientific, 2015), Nonlinear Programming (Athena Scientific, 2016), Network Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1998), and Introduction to Linear Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1997). Aside from a thorough account of convex analysis and optimization, the book aims to restructure the theory of the subject, by introducing several novel unifying lines of analysis, including: 1) A unified development of minimax theory and

constrained optimization duality as special cases of duality between two simple geometrical problems. 2) A unified development of conditions for existence of solutions of convex optimization problems, conditions for the minimax equality to hold, and conditions for the absence of a duality gap in constrained optimization. 3) A unification of the major constraint qualifications allowing the use of Lagrange multipliers for nonconvex constrained optimization, using the notion of constraint pseudonormality and an enhanced form of the Fritz John necessary optimality conditions. Among its features the book: a) Develops rigorously and comprehensively the theory of convex sets and functions, in the classical tradition of Fenchel and Rockafellar b) Provides a geometric, highly visual treatment of convex and nonconvex

optimization problems, including existence of solutions, optimality conditions, Lagrange multipliers, and duality c) Includes an insightful and comprehensive presentation of minimax theory and zero sum games, and its connection with duality d) Describes dual optimization, the associated computational methods, including the novel incremental subgradient methods, and applications in linear, quadratic, and integer programming e) Contains many examples, illustrations, and exercises with complete solutions (about 200 pages) posted at the publisher's web site <http://www.athenasc.com/convexity.html>

An Introduction to the Methodology and its Applications

Springer

"This book offers the latest research in IS/IT applications related to business and operations

management, with contributions in the form of case studies, methodologies, best practices, frameworks, and research"--Provided by publisher.

Convex Optimization Theory

Springer Science & Business Media

Discrete optimization problems are everywhere, from traditional operations research planning (scheduling, facility location and network design); to computer science databases; to advertising issues in viral marketing. Yet most such problems are NP-hard; unless $P = NP$, there are no efficient algorithms to find optimal solutions. This book shows how to design approximation algorithms: efficient algorithms that find provably near-optimal solutions. The book is organized around central algorithmic techniques for designing approximation algorithms, including greedy and local search algorithms,

dynamic programming, linear and semidefinite programming, and randomization. Each chapter in the first section is devoted to a single algorithmic technique applied to several different problems, with more sophisticated treatment in the second section. The book also covers methods for proving that optimization problems are hard to approximate. Designed as a textbook for graduate-level algorithm courses, it will also serve as a reference for researchers interested in the heuristic solution of discrete optimization problems.

Learning Structured Prediction Models
Springer

A major part of natural language processing now depends on the use of text data to build linguistic analyzers. We consider statistical, computational approaches to modeling linguistic structure. We seek to unify across many approaches and many kinds of linguistic structures.

Assuming a basic understanding of natural language processing and/or machine learning, we seek to bridge the gap between the two fields. Approaches to decoding (i.e., carrying out linguistic structure prediction) and supervised and unsupervised learning of models that predict discrete structures as outputs are the focus. We also survey natural language processing problems to which these methods are being applied, and we address related topics in probabilistic inference, optimization, and experimental methodology. Table of Contents:

Representations and Linguistic Data / Decoding: Making Predictions / Learning Structure from Annotated Data / Learning Structure from Incomplete Data / Beyond Decoding: Inference

Design, Operations Management, and Logistics Control Issues Springer Science & Business Media

This book is an elegant and rigorous presentation of integer programming, exposing the subject's

mathematical depth and broad applicability. Special attention is given to the theory behind the algorithms used in state-of-the-art solvers. An abundance of concrete examples and exercises of both theoretical and real-world interest explore the wide range of applications and ramifications of the theory. Each chapter is accompanied by an expertly informed guide to the literature and special topics, rounding out the reader's understanding and serving as a gateway to deeper study. Key topics include: formulations polyhedral theory cutting planes decomposition enumeration semidefinite relaxations

Written by renowned experts in integer programming and combinatorial optimization, Integer Programming is destined to become an essential text in the field.

Continuous and Discrete Methods W.H. Freeman

This book contains papers divided into three general sections according to the title of this text: algorithms, models, and applications. The first section on

algorithms contains papers that are theoretical in nature or contain new techniques that relate to Defense Transportation System (DTS) processes. A sampling of the papers contained in this section deals with group theoretic "tabu" search techniques, shortest path sailing distance algorithms, and strategic airlift model validation methods. The second section contains papers on various transportation models used throughout the DoD and transportation industry, as well as some newly developed transportation modelling methods that may eventually find their way into larger scale transportation models. A review of the major strategic mobility models is also contained in this section. The third section contains papers on various transportation applications that have been used to support various DTS studies and analyses. This section also contains a diverse set of topics, with articles ranging from a paper on North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) strategic lift requirements to an

analysis paper on theater reception, staging, onward movement, and integration. • Preface by General John W. Handy, Commander, United States Transportation Command • Focus on land, sea, and air transportation models and methods • Manuscripts written by analysts and researchers active in the field and directly supporting the United States Defense Transportation System • Research methods were instrumental in defining the in-place DTS that so efficiently deployed forces for Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom

Linear Programming and Network Flows

Elsevier

This text, now in the Third Edition, aims to provide students with a clear, well-structured and comprehensive treatment of the theory and applications of operations research. The methodology used is to first introduce the students to the fundamental concepts through numerical illustrations and then explain the

underlying theory, wherever required. Inclusion of case studies in the existing chapters makes learning easier and more effective. The book introduces the readers to various models of Operations Research (OR), such as transportation model, assignment model, inventory models, queueing theory and integer programming models. Various techniques to solve OR problems' faced by managers are also discussed. Separate chapters are devoted to Linear Programming, Dynamic Programming and Quadratic Programming which greatly help in the decision-making process. The text facilitates easy comprehension of topics by the students due to inclusion of: • Examples and situations from the Indian context. • Numerous exercise problems arranged in a graded manner. • A large number of illustrative examples. The text is primarily intended

for the postgraduate students of management, computer applications, commerce, mathematics and statistics. Besides, the undergraduate students of mechanical engineering and industrial engineering will find this book extremely useful. In addition, this text can also be used as a reference by OR analysts and operations managers.

NEW TO THE THIRD

EDITION • Includes

two new chapters: - Chapter 14: Project Management—PERT and CPM - Chapter 15: Miscellaneous Topics

(Game Theory, Sequencing and Scheduling, Simulation, and Replacement Models) •

Incorporates more examples in the existing chapters to illustrate new models, algorithms and concepts • Provides short questions and additional numerical problems for practice in each chapter

Algorithms and Codes

Athena Scientific

This third edition of the classic textbook

in Optimization has been fully revised and updated. It comprehensively covers modern theoretical insights in this crucial computing area, and will be required reading for analysts and operations researchers in a variety of fields. The book connects the purely analytical character of an optimization problem, and the behavior of algorithms used to solve it. Now, the third edition has been completely updated with recent Optimization Methods. The book also has a new co-author, Yinyu Ye of California's Stanford University, who has written lots of extra material including some on Interior Point Methods.

Algorithms, Implementation and Numerical Results

Athena Scientific
An insightful, concise, and rigorous treatment of the basic theory of convex sets and functions in finite dimensions, and the analytical/geometrical foundations of convex optimization and duality theory. Convexity theory is first developed in a simple accessible

manner, using easily visualized proofs. Then the focus shifts to a transparent geometrical line of analysis to develop the fundamental duality between descriptions of convex functions in terms of points, and in terms of hyperplanes. Finally, convexity theory and abstract duality are applied to problems of constrained optimization, Fenchel and conic duality, and game theory to develop the sharpest possible duality results within a highly visual geometric framework. This on-line version of the book, includes an extensive set of theoretical problems with detailed high-quality solutions, which significantly extend the range and value of the book. The book may be used as a text for a theoretical convex optimization course; the author has taught several variants of such a course at MIT and elsewhere over the last ten years. It may also be used as a supplementary source for nonlinear programming classes, and as a theoretical foundation for classes focused on convex optimization models (rather than theory). It is an excellent

supplement to several of our books: Convex Optimization Algorithms (Athena Scientific, 2015), Nonlinear Programming (Athena Scientific, 2017), Network Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1998), Introduction to Linear Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1997), and Network Flows and Monotropic Optimization (Athena Scientific, 1998).

Communications, Signal Processing, and Systems

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Experimental Algorithms
Athena Scientific

In both rich and poor nations, public resources for health care are inadequate to meet demand. Policy makers and health care providers must determine how to provide the most effective health care to citizens using the limited resources that are available. This chapter describes current and future challenges in the delivery of health care, and outlines the role that operations research (OR) models can play in helping

to solve those problems. The chapter concludes with an overview of this book - its intended audience, the areas covered, and a description of the subsequent chapters.

KEY WORDS Health care delivery, Health care planning

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY: PROBLEMS AND CHALLENGES 3

1.1 WORLDWIDE HEALTH: THE PAST 50 YEARS Human health has improved significantly in the last 50 years. In 1950, global life expectancy was 46 years [1]. That figure rose to 61 years by 1980 and to 67 years by 1998 [2]. Much of these gains occurred in low- and middle-income countries, and were due in large part to improved nutrition and sanitation, medical innovations, and improvements in public health infrastructure.

Proceedings of the 13th International Symposium on Transportation and Traffic Theory, Lyon, France, 24-26 July, 1996 CRC Press

A self-contained introduction to

linear programming using MATLAB® software to elucidate the development of algorithms and theory. Exercises are included in each chapter, and additional information is provided in two appendices and an accompanying Web site. Only a basic knowledge of linear algebra and calculus is required.

Network Optimization Springer

Introduction to Linear Optimization

Combined Traffic Signal Control and Traffic Assignment

Algorithms, Implementation and Numerical Results

Container Terminals and Cargo Systems

Design, Operations Management, and Logistics Control

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Springer Science & Business Media

Foundations and Extensions Cambridge University Press

This book explains the most prominent and some promising new, general techniques that combine metaheuristics with other optimization methods. A first introductory chapter reviews the basic principles of local search, prominent

metaheuristics, and tree search, dynamic programming, mixed integer linear programming, and constraint programming for combinatorial optimization purposes. The chapters that follow present five generally applicable hybridization strategies, with exemplary case studies on selected problems: incomplete solution representations and decoders; problem instance reduction; large neighborhood search; parallel non-independent construction of solutions within metaheuristics; and hybridization based on complete solution archives. The authors are among the leading researchers in the hybridization of metaheuristics with other techniques for optimization, and their work reflects the broad shift to problem-oriented rather than algorithm-oriented approaches, enabling faster and more effective implementation in real-life applications. This hybridization is not restricted to different variants of metaheuristics but includes, for example, the combination of

mathematical programming, dynamic programming, or constraint programming with metaheuristics, reflecting cross-fertilization in fields such as optimization, algorithmics, mathematical modeling, operations research, statistics, and simulation. The book is a valuable introduction and reference for researchers and graduate students in these domains.

Essentials of Business Analytics
Springer

This book considers large and challenging multistage decision problems, which can be solved in principle by dynamic programming (DP), but their exact solution is computationally intractable. We discuss solution methods that rely on approximations to produce suboptimal policies with adequate performance. These methods are collectively known by several essentially equivalent names: reinforcement learning, approximate dynamic programming, neuro-dynamic programming. They have been at the

forefront of research for the last 25 years, and they underlie, among others, the recent impressive successes of self-learning in the context of games such as chess and Go. Our subject has benefited greatly from the interplay of ideas from optimal control and from artificial intelligence, as it relates to reinforcement learning and simulation-based neural network methods. One of the aims of the book is to explore the common boundary between these two fields and to form a bridge that is accessible by workers with background in either field. Another aim is to organize coherently the broad mosaic of methods that have proved successful in practice while having a solid theoretical and/or logical foundation. This may help researchers and practitioners to find their way through the maze of competing ideas that constitute

the current state of the art. This book relates to several of our other books: Neuro-Dynamic Programming (Athena Scientific, 1996), Dynamic Programming and Optimal Control (4th edition, Athena Scientific, 2017), Abstract Dynamic Programming (2nd edition, Athena Scientific, 2018), and Nonlinear Programming (Athena Scientific, 2016). However, the mathematical style of this book is somewhat different. While we provide a rigorous, albeit short, mathematical account of the theory of finite and infinite horizon dynamic programming, and some fundamental approximation methods, we rely more on intuitive explanations and less on proof-based insights. Moreover, our mathematical requirements are quite modest: calculus, a minimal use of matrix-vector algebra, and elementary probability (mathematically

complicated arguments involving laws of large numbers and stochastic convergence are bypassed in favor of intuitive explanations). The book illustrates the methodology with many examples and illustrations, and uses a gradual expository approach, which proceeds along four directions: (a) From exact DP to approximate DP: We first discuss exact DP algorithms, explain why they may be difficult to implement, and then use them as the basis for approximations. (b) From finite horizon to infinite horizon problems: We first discuss finite horizon exact and approximate DP methodologies, which are intuitive and mathematically simple, and then progress to infinite horizon problems. (c) From deterministic to stochastic models: We often discuss separately deterministic and stochastic problems, since deterministic problems are simpler and offer special advantages for some of our methods. (d) From model-based to model-free implementations: We first discuss model-based implementations, and then we identify schemes that can be appropriately modified to work with a simulator. The book is related and supplemented by the companion research monograph *Rollout, Policy Iteration, and Distributed Reinforcement Learning* (Athena Scientific, 2020), which focuses more closely on several topics related to rollout, approximate policy iteration, multiagent problems, discrete and Bayesian optimization, and distributed computation, which are either discussed in less detail or not covered at all in the present book. The author's website contains class notes, and a series of videolectures and slides from a 2021 course at ASU, which address a selection of topics from both books.

Hybrid
Metaheuristics
 Springer Science & Business Media
 Since the first ISTTT in 1959, these triennial symposia have become established as the premier series of conferences in transportation science. ISTTT 13 continues an impressive tradition of dissemination of new ideas on theoretical aspects of transportation science. The scope of the proceedings includes accident analysis, traffic modelling, traffic assignment, public transportation, logistics, and freight transportation. The main emphasis is on road transport, but rail and multimodal transport are also addressed. Prior to acceptance, the articles presented here underwent a rigorous refereeing process. The

resulting collection
is a timely and
important volume of
current research,
and the list of
contributors
includes many of
the most eminent
researchers in the
field.