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GENERALIZED (F, ρ) - CONVEXITY AND DUALITY THEOREM FOR NONDIFFERENTIABLE PROGRAMS INVOLVING SQUARE ROOT TERMS

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ABSTRACT

A Multi Objective Programming Problem in which each of the objective function is the sum of a nondifferentiable function and a term involving square root of a positive semi-definite quadratic form. Duality results are proved under (F, ρ)- convexity assumptions on functions involved. Later fractional versions of above problem are studied with different dual problems and duality theorem are proved.

1. INTRODUCTION

Bhatia and Jain [7] established duality results under F - convexity assumptions for a scalar nonlinear program of which the objective function is the sum of a nondifferentiable function and a term involving square root of a positive semi– definite quadratic form. The idea is extended to the following multi objective programming problem:

(P) Minimize $\theta(x) = (f_1(x) + (x^{t}B_1x)^{1/2}, f_2(x) + (x^{t}B_2x)^{1/2} + ...f_k(x) + (x^{t}B_kx)^{1/2})^{t}$

subject to

where X is an open convex subset of \mathbf{R}^n ; f_i , i = 1, 2, ..., k; g_j , j = 1, 2, ..., m are real valued functions defined on X and B_i , i = 1, 2, ..., k are n 'n symmetric positive semi-definite matrices.

Mond Weir type dual to (P) is introduced and duality results are established under

 (F, ρ) – convexity assumptions. These results are then extended for the following multi objective fractional program (FP):

(**FP**) Minimize
$$\frac{\theta(x)}{h(x)} = \left(\frac{f_1(x) + (x^t B_1 x)^{1/2}}{h_1(x)}, ..., \frac{f_k(x) + (x^k B_k x)^{1/2}}{h_k(x)}\right)^T$$

subject to

$$g_j(x) \stackrel{<}{=} 0$$
, $j = 1, 2, ..., m$
 $x \in X$

where f_i , h_i , i = 1, 2, ..., k; g_j , j = 1, 2, ..., m are real valued functions defined on an open convex subset X of \mathbf{R}^n with $f_i(.) \ge 0$, $h_i(.) > 0$; i = 1, 2, ..., k; B_i , i = 1, 2,, k are $n \times n$ symmetric positive semi–definite matrices.

Assumption (A)

The convex sets ri (dom f_i); ri (dom ($x^t B_i x$)^{1/2}), i =1, 2, ..., k have a point in common so that

$$\partial (f_i(\mathbf{x}) + (\mathbf{x}^t \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{x})^{1/2}) = \partial f_i(\mathbf{x}) + \partial (\mathbf{x}^t \mathbf{B}_i \mathbf{x})^{1/2} \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \text{ and } \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, k.$$

Assumption (B)

We assume the following constraint qualification of Slater's type:

(i) Let x^0 be an efficient solution of (P). For each $r \in \{1, 2, ..., k\}$, suppose that there exists $x^r \in X$ such that

$$\begin{array}{ll} g_{j}(x^{r}) \ < \ 0 & \forall \ j=1,2, \ ..., \ m \ \ and \\ \theta_{i}(x^{r}) \ < \ \theta_{i}(x^{0}) & \forall \ i \neq r, \\ \theta_{i}(x) = f_{i}(x) + (\ x^{t} B_{i} x)^{1/2}, & i=1, \ 2, \ \ldots, \ k. \end{array}$$

where

(ii) Let x^0 be an efficient solution of (FP). For each $r \in \{1, 2, ..., k\}$, suppose that there exists $x^r \in X$ such that

either

$$\begin{array}{ll} \theta_{i}\left(x^{r}\right) < \ \theta_{i}\left(x^{0}\right) & \forall \ i \neq r \\ \\ h_{i}\left(x^{r}\right) > \ h_{i}\left(x^{0}\right) & \forall = 1, \, 2, \, \dots, k \end{array}$$

or

$$\begin{array}{ll} \theta_{i}(x^{r}) &< \ \theta_{i}(x^{0}) & \forall = 1, \, 2, \, \dots, \, k \\ \\ h_{i}(x^{r}) &> \ h_{i}(x^{0}), & i \neq r \\ \\ (\theta_{i}(x) = f_{i}(x) + (x^{t} \, B_{i} \, x)^{1/2}, & i = 1, \, 2, \, \dots, \, k) \end{array}$$

Kanniappan [11] established that the following Kuhn Tucker type conditions (correct

version by B. Lemaire (Math. Reviews # 90150, 1984)) and Fritz John type conditions are necessary for x^0 to be an efficient solution of (P).

Theorem A (Kuhn Tucker type necessary conditions)

If x^0 is an efficient solution of (P) and if we assume the above constraint qualification of Slater's type (B) (i), then there exist $\alpha^0 = (\alpha_1^0, \alpha_2^0, ..., \alpha_k^0) \in \mathbf{R}^k$ and $\lambda^0 = (\lambda_1^0 \lambda_2^0 ... \lambda_m^0) \in \mathbf{R}^m$, such that

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{j}^{0}g_{j}(x^{0}) &= 0 , \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m, \\ 0 &\in \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}^{0}\partial \theta_{i}(x^{0}) + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \lambda_{j}^{0}\partial g_{j}(x^{0}) + N_{x}(x^{0}) \\ \alpha_{i}^{0} &> 0 , \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, k ; \ \lambda_{j}^{0} > 0 , j = 1, 2, \dots, m. \end{split}$$

Theorem B (Fritz John type necessary conditions)

If x^0 is an efficient solution of (P), then there exist $\alpha^0 = (\alpha_1^0, \alpha_2^0, ..., \alpha_k^0) \in \mathbf{R}^k$, $\lambda^0 = (\lambda_1^0, \lambda^0, ..., \lambda_m^0) \in \mathbf{R}^m$, such that

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{j}^{0}g_{j}(x^{0}) &= 0, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ 0 &\in \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}^{0} \partial \theta_{i}(x^{0}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}^{0} \partial g_{j}(x^{0}) + N_{X}(x^{0}), \\ (\alpha^{0}, \lambda^{0}) &\geq 0 \end{split}$$

The following results are needed in the sequel.

Lemma 1 [10]

Let $\phi(x) = (x^t B x)^{1/2}$, B is a positive semi-definite symmetric matrix. Then $\phi(x)$ is convex and $w \partial \phi(x)$ if and only if w = Bz, $z^t B z < 1$, $x^t B z = (x^t B x)^{1/2}$.

Lemma 2 [7]

Let $\phi(x) = (x^t B x)^{1/2}$. Then $\phi(x)$ is locally Lipschitz.

Throughout the paper, we shall assume that f_i , $-h_i$; i = 1, 2, ..., k and g_j , j = 1, 2, ..., mare Lipschitz and regular, and the set X is an open convex subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

Mond Weir type dual for the problem (P) is

(**D**) Maximize
$$H(u, \alpha, \lambda, z) = (f_1(u) + u^t B_i z_i, \ldots, f_k(u) + u^t B_k z_k)^t$$

subject to

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i (\partial f_i(u) + B_i z_i) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_j \partial g_j(u) + N_X(u)$$
(1)

$$\lambda_{j}g_{j}(u) \geq 0$$
, $j = 1, 2, ..., m$ (2)

$$Z_{i}^{t}B_{i}Z_{i} \leq 1$$
, $i = 1, 2, ..., k$ (3)

$$(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, ..., \alpha_k, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_m) \ge 0$$
(4)

Theorem 1 (Weak Duality)

Let x be feasible for (P) and (u, α , λ , z) be feasible for (D). Assume that the functions f_i , i = 1, 2, ..., k; g_j , j = 1, 2, ..., m; $(. - x)^t B_i z_i (\forall z_i \in \mathbf{R}^n)$, i = 1, 2, ..., k, $(. - x)^t u^* (\forall u^* \in N_x(u))$ are F-convex and assume that a > 0.

Then

 $\theta(x) \leq H(u, \alpha, \lambda, z)$.

Proof. Since (u, α, λ, z) is feasible for (D), we have

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i (\xi_i + B_i z_i) + \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j \eta_j + u^*$$

where $\xi_i \in \partial f_i(u)$, i = 1, 2, ..., k; $\eta_j \in \partial g_j(u)$, j = 1, 2, ..., m and $u^* \in N_x(u)$

$$\implies F\left(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} + B_{i}z_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\eta_{j} + u^{*}\right) = 0$$
(5)

Again Since the functions f_i , i = 1, 2, ..., k; g_j , j = 1, 2, ..., m; $(.-x)^t B_i z_i$,

 $I = 1, 2, ..., k \text{ and } (.-x)^t u^* \text{ are } F \text{ - convex, } a < 0, \lambda \ge 0, we have$

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i(f_i(x) - f_i(u)) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i F(x, u; \xi_i) \\ &\sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_j(g_j(x) - g_j(u)) \geq \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_j F(x, u; \eta_j) \\ &\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i(x - u)^t B_i z_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i F(x, u; B_i z_i) \\ &(x - u)^t u^* \geq F(x, u; u^*) \end{split}$$

Adding the above four inequalities and using the definition of sublinear function, we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} \left(f_{i}(x) - f_{i}(u) + (x - u)^{t} B_{i} z_{i} \right)$$

+
$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j} \left(g_{j}(x) - g_{j}(u) \right) + (x - u)^{t} u^{*}$$

$$\geq F \left(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} (\xi_{i} + B_{i} z_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j} \eta_{j} + u^{*} \right)$$

= 0 (by using (5)) (6)

Now, consider

$$\begin{split} &\alpha^{t} \left(\theta(x) - H(u, \alpha, \lambda, z)\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} \left(f_{i}(x) + (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2} - f_{i}(u) - u^{t}B_{i}z_{i}\right) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} \left(f_{i}(x) - f_{i}(u) + (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2} (z_{i}^{t}B_{i}z_{i})^{1/2} - u^{t}B_{i}z_{i}\right) \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} \left(f_{i}(x) - f_{i}(u) + (x - u)^{t}B_{i}z_{i}\right) \end{split}$$
(by (3))

(using Schwarz's inequality)

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}(g_{j}(x) - g_{j}(u)) - (x - u)^{t} u^{*}$$

$$\geq 0.$$
(by (6))

The last inequality holds because of $u^* \in N_x(u)$, feasibility of x for (P), (2) and (4).

Hence $\alpha^t \theta(x) \ge \alpha^t H(u, \alpha, \lambda, z)$

and thus

$$\theta(\mathbf{x}) \not\leq \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{u}, \alpha, \lambda, \mathbf{z}).$$

Theorem 2 (Strong Duality)

Let x^0 be an efficient solution of (P) then there exist $\alpha^0 \in \mathbf{R}^k$, $\lambda^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $z^0 = (z_1^0, z_2^0, ..., z_k^0)$ such that $(x^0, \alpha^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is feasible for (D) and the two problems have the same extremal values. Further, if the conditions of Weak Duality Theorem 1 hold then $(x^0, \alpha^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is properly efficient for (D). **Proof.** Since x^0 is efficient for (P), so by Theorem B, there exist $\alpha^0 = (\alpha_1^0 \alpha_2^0 ... \alpha_k^0) \in \mathbf{R}^k$, $\lambda^0 = (\lambda_1^0 \lambda_2^0 ... \lambda_m^0) \in \mathbf{R}^m$ such that

$$\lambda_{j}^{0}g_{j}(x^{0}) = 0 , \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}^{0} \partial \theta_{i}(x^{0}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}^{0} \partial g_{j}(x^{0}) + N_{X}(x^{0}) \qquad (7)$$

$$(\alpha^{0}, \lambda^{0}) \ge 0$$

Under Assumption A, condition (7) reduces to

where
$$z_i^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$$
, $z_i^{0^t} B_i z_i^0 \leq 1$, $x^{0^t} B_i z_i^0 = (x^{0^t} B_i x^0)^{1/2}$, $\forall i = 1, 2, ..., k$

These conditions show that $(x^0, \alpha^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is feasible for (D). Further, since $x^{0^t}B_i z_i^0 = (x^{0^t}B_i x^0)^{1/2}$, i = 1, 2, ..., k, the two problems have the same extremal values, so by a result from [2] and Weak Duality Theorem, $(x^0, \alpha^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is properly efficient for (D).

For fractional programming problem (FP) we establish duality results between (FP) and Bhatia and Pandev [8] type of dual under the assumptions of generalized (F,r) - convexity.

Bhatia and Pandey [8] type of dual for (FP) is

(FD) Maximize
$$\frac{\beta}{\alpha} = \left(\frac{\beta_1}{\alpha_1}, \frac{\beta_2}{\alpha_2}, ..., \frac{\beta_k}{\alpha_k}\right)^t$$

subject to

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\partial f_{i}(u) + B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\partial h_{i}(u))$$
$$+ \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\partial g_{j}(u) + N_{X}(u)$$
(8)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(f_{i}(u) + u^{t}B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}h_{i}(u)) \geq 0$$
⁽⁹⁾

$$\lambda^{t} g(u) \ge 0 \tag{10}$$

$$Z_{i}^{t}B_{i}Z_{i} \leq 1$$
, $i = 1, 2, ..., k$ (11)

$$\alpha = (\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \dots \alpha_k) > 0 , \qquad \alpha^t e = 1$$
(12)

$$\beta = (\beta_1 \beta_2 \dots \beta_k) \ge 0 , \qquad \lambda = (\lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_m) \ge 0.$$
(13)

Theorem 3 (Weak Duality)

Suppose for feasible x to (FP) and feasible $(u, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, z)$ to (FD)

(i)
$$f_{i}$$
 is (F, ρ_{1i}) - convex; $i = 1, 2, ..., k$,
(ii) $-h_{i}$ is (F, ρ_{2i}) - convex; $i = 1, 2, ..., k$,
(iii) g_{j} is (F, ρ_{3j}) - convex; $j = 1, 2, ..., m$,
(iv) $(. - x)^{t} B_{i} z_{i}$ is (F, ρ_{4i}) - convex; $\forall z_{i} \in \mathbf{R}^{n}, i = 1, 2, ..., k$,
(v) $(. - x)^{t} u^{*}$ is (F, ρ^{*}) - convex; $\forall u^{*} \in N_{X}(u)$ and
(vi) $\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i} \rho_{1i} + \beta_{i} \rho_{2i} + \alpha_{i} \rho_{4i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j} \rho_{3j} + \rho^{*} \ge 0$.

Then $\frac{\theta(x)}{h(x)} \leq \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$.

Proof. The constraint (8) ensures the existence of $\xi_i \in \partial f_i(u)$; $\eta_i \in \partial h_i(u)$, $i = 1, 2, ..., k; \psi_j \in \partial g_j(u), j = 1, 2, ..., m; u^* \in N_X(u)$ such that

$$0 = \sum_{i=l}^k \Bigl(\alpha_i (\xi_i + B_i z_i) \Bigr) + \sum_{j=l}^m \lambda_j \psi_j + u^*$$

and hence

$$F\left(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} + B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\eta_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\psi_{j} + u^{*}\right) = 0$$
(14)

k,

Now suppose, on the contrary,

$$\frac{\theta(x)}{h(x)} \leq \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

i.e.
$$\frac{f_1(x) + (x^{t}B_1(x)^{1/2})}{h_1(x)} \leq \frac{\beta_i}{\alpha_i} \qquad \forall i = 1, 2, ..., k,$$

and
$$\frac{\mathbf{f}_{\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x}) + (\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{t}}\mathbf{B}_{\mathbf{r}}\mathbf{x})^{1/2}}{\mathbf{h}_{\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{x})} < \frac{\beta_{\mathbf{r}}}{\alpha_{\mathbf{r}}} \text{ for some } \mathbf{r} \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$$
$$\implies \qquad \alpha_{i} \left(\mathbf{f}_{1}(\mathbf{x}) + (\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{t}}\mathbf{B}_{i}\mathbf{x})^{1/2} \right) - \beta_{i}\mathbf{h}_{i}(\mathbf{x}) \leq 0 \qquad \forall i = 1, 2, \dots,$$

and $\alpha_r \left(f_r(x) + \left(x^t B_r x \right)^{1/2} \right) - \beta_r h_r(x) < 0$ for some $r \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$

Adding the above inequalities over i = 1, 2, ..., k, we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x) + (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2}) - \beta_{i}h_{i}(x)) < 0$$

This inequality, together with (9), gives

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x) + (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2}) - \beta_{i}h_{i}(x))$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(f_{i}(u) + u^{t}B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}h_{i}(u))$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x) - f_{1}(u)) - \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_{i}(h_{i}(x) - h_{i}(u))$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(u^{t}B_{i}z_{i} - (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2})$$
(15)

In view of assumptions (i) to (v), (12) and (13), we have

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x) - f_{i}(u)) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}F(x, u, \xi_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}\rho_{1i}d^{2}(x, u) \\ &- \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_{i}(h_{i}(x) - h_{i}(u)) \geq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_{i}F(x, u; -\eta_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_{i}\rho_{2i}d^{2}(x, u) \\ &\sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}(g_{j}(x) - g_{j}(u)) \geq \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}F(x, u; \psi_{j}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\rho_{3j}d^{2}(x, u) \\ &\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x - u)^{t}B_{i}z_{i} \geq \sum_{j=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}F(x, u; B_{i}z_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}\rho_{4i}d^{2}(x, u) \\ &(x - u)^{t}u^{*} \geq F(x, u; u^{*}) + \rho^{*}d^{2}(x, u) \end{split}$$

Adding the above five inequalities and using sub-linearity of F, we have

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x) - f_{i}(u)) - \sum_{i=1}^{k} \beta_{i}(h_{i}(x) - h_{i}(u)) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}(g_{j}(x) - g_{j}(u)) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x - u)^{t} B_{i} z_{i} + (x - u)^{t} u^{*} \end{split}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} F(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} + B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\eta_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\psi_{j} + u^{*})$$

$$+ (\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}\rho_{1i} + \beta_{i}\rho_{2i} + \alpha_{i}\rho_{4i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\rho_{3j} + \rho^{*})d^{2}(x, u)$$

$$(16)$$

or

$$F(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} + \beta_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\eta_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\psi_{j} + u^{*})$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(u^{t}B_{i}z_{i} - (x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}(g_{j}(x) - g_{j}(u))$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x - u)^{t}B_{i}z_{i} + (x - u)^{t}u^{*}$$

(by assumption (vi), (15) and definition of pseudo-metric)

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} (-(x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2}(z_{i}^{t}B_{i}z_{i})^{1/2}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}g_{j}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}x^{t}B_{i}z_{i}$$
 (by (10), (11) and

the fact that $u^* N_X(u)$)

$$\leq -\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} x^{t} B_{i} z_{i} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j} g_{j}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} x^{t} B_{i} z_{i}$$

(By Schwarz's Inequality)

$$=\sum_{j=1}^m\lambda_jg_j(x)$$

 ≤ 0 , (by feasibility of x for (FP) and (13))

i.e.
$$F(x,u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_i(\xi_i + B_i z_i) - \beta_i \eta_i) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_j \psi_j + u^*) < 0$$

a contradiction to (14).

Hence

$$\frac{\theta(x)}{h(x)} \leq \frac{\beta}{\alpha}.$$

Theorem 4 (Strong Duality)

Let x^0 be an efficient solution of (FP) and assume that the Slater's type constraint qualification Assumption B(ii) is satisfied at x^0 , then there exist $\alpha^0 = (\alpha_1^0 \alpha_2^0 ... \alpha_k^0) \in \mathbf{R}^k$, $\beta^0 = (\beta_1^0 \beta_2^0 ... \beta_k^0) \in \mathbf{R}^k$, $\lambda^0 = (\lambda_1^0 \lambda_2^0 ... \lambda_m^0) \in \mathbf{R}^m$ and $z^0 = (z_1^0 z_2^0, ..., z_k^0)$ with each $z_i^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$ such that $(x^0, \alpha^0, \beta^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is efficient for (FD).

Proof. Since x^0 is efficient for (FP), so it is efficient for the following multi-objective program [5]:

(EP) Minimize $(f_1(x) + (x^t B_1 x)^{1/2}, ..., f_k(x) + (x^t B_k x)^{1/2}, -h_1(x), ..., -h_k(x))^t$ subject to

$$g(x) < 0$$
$$= 0$$
$$x \in X$$

and hence by [8], there exist scalars $\alpha_i > 0$, $\beta_i \ge 0$, i = 1, 2, ..., k and $\lambda_j \ge 0, j = 1$, 2, ..., m, satisfying

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_i \partial \theta_i(x^0) - \beta_i \partial h_i(x^0)) + \sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda_j \partial g_j(x^0) + N_X(x^0)$$
(17)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}\theta_{i}(x^{0}) - \beta_{i}h_{i}(x^{0})) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}g_{j}(x^{0}) \ge 0$$
(18)

$$\lambda_j g_j(x^0) = 0$$
, $j = 1, 2, ..., m$ (19)

Under Assumption (A), (17) becomes

$$0 \in \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\partial f_{i}(x^{0}) + B_{i}z_{i}^{0}) - \beta_{i}\partial h_{i}(x^{0})) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\partial g_{j}(x^{0}) + N_{x}(x^{0})$$
(20)

where
$$z_i^0 \in \mathbf{R}^n$$
, $z_i^{0^t} B_i z_i^0 < 1$, $x^{0^t} B_i z_i^0 = (x^{0^t} B_i x^0)^{1/2}$, $i = 1, 2, ..., k$. (21)

From (18) and (19), we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(f_{i}(x^{0}) + (x^{0^{i}}B_{i}x^{0})^{1/2} - \beta_{i}h_{i}(x^{0})) \ge 0$$
(22)

Dividing (19), (20) and (22) by $\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_i > 0$ and setting

$$\begin{split} \alpha_{i}^{0} &= \frac{\alpha_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}} > 0 \\ \lambda_{j}^{0} &= \frac{\lambda_{j}}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}} > 0 \\ \lambda_{j}^{0} &= \frac{\lambda_{j}}{\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}} > 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i} > 0 \\ j &= 1, 2, \dots, m \end{split};$$

and using the definition of normal cone, we get

$$\begin{split} \lambda_{j}^{0}g_{j}(x^{0}) &= 0 , \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ 0 &\in \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}^{0}(\partial f_{i}(x^{0}) + B_{i}z_{i}^{0}) - \beta_{i}^{0}\partial h_{i}(x^{0}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}^{0}\partial g_{j}(x^{0}) + N_{x}(x^{0}) \\ &\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}^{0}(f_{i}(x^{0}) + x^{0^{t}}B_{i}z_{i}^{0}) - \beta_{i}^{0}h_{i}(x^{0}) \geq 0 \\ &\alpha^{0} &= (\alpha_{1}^{0}, \alpha_{2}^{0}, ..., \alpha_{k}^{0}) > 0, \ \alpha^{0^{t}}e = 1, \\ &\beta^{0} &= (\beta_{1}^{0}\beta_{2}^{0}...\beta_{k}^{0}) \geq 0, \ \lambda^{0} &= (\lambda_{1}^{0}\lambda_{2}^{0}...\lambda_{m}^{0}) \geq 0. \end{split}$$

Also $z_i^{0^t} B_i z_i^0 \leq 1$, i = 1, 2, ..., k

Thus $(x^0, \alpha^0, \beta^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ is feasible for (FD). Efficiency of $(x^0, \alpha^0, \beta^0, \lambda^0, z^0)$ follows on the lines of proof of the Theorem 2 [8]

Theorem 5 (Strict Converse Duality)

Let x and $(u, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, z)$ be efficient solutions to (FP) and (FD) respectively with

$$\frac{\theta(\mathbf{x})}{\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{\beta}{\alpha} \tag{23}$$

(by (21))

Assume, further, for all feasible solutions \overline{x} for (FP) and $(\overline{u}, \overline{\alpha}, \overline{\beta}, \overline{\lambda}, \overline{z})$ for (FD),

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) \quad f_i \text{ is strict } (F, \ \rho_{1i}) \text{ - convex}; & i = 1, 2, \ldots, k, \\ (ii) \quad -h_i \text{ is strict } (F, \ \rho_{2i}) \text{ - convex}; & i = 1, 2, \ldots, k, \\ (iii) \quad g_j \text{ is strict } (F, \ \rho_{3j}) \text{ - convex}; & j = 1, 2, \ldots, m, \\ (iv) \quad (.-\overline{x})^t B_i z_i \text{ is strict } (F, \ \rho_{4i}) \text{ - convex} & \forall z_i \in \mathbf{R}^n, \ i = 1, 2, \ldots, k, \\ (v) \quad (.-\overline{x})^t u^* \text{ is strict } (F, \ \rho^*) \text{ - convex}; & \forall u \in N_X(u) \text{ and} \end{array}$

(vi)
$$\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i} \rho_{1i} + \beta_{i} \rho_{2i} + \alpha_{i} \rho_{4i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j} \rho_{3j} + \rho^{*} > 0$$

Then u is efficient for (FP).

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that x = u.

Suppose, on the contrary, $x \neq u$

Now, feasibility of (u, α , β , λ , z), as in the proof of Theorem (3), gives the relation (14) viz.

$$F(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} - \beta_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\eta_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\psi_{j} + u^{*}) = 0$$

Again, as in the proof of Theorem (3), assumptions (i) to (v) lead to inequality (16) which reduces to (using (9), (10) and (23))

$$F(x, u; \sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}(\xi_{i} + B_{i}z_{i}) - \beta_{i}\eta_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\psi_{j} + u^{*})$$

$$+ (\sum_{i=1}^{k} (\alpha_{i}\rho_{1i} + \beta_{i}\rho_{2i} + \alpha_{i}\rho_{4i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}\rho_{3j} + \rho^{*})d^{2}(x, u)$$

$$\leq -\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(u^{t}B_{i}z_{i}) + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}g_{j}(x)$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x - u)^{t}B_{i}z_{i} + (x - u)^{t}u^{*}$$

$$\leq -\sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x^{t}B_{i}x)^{1/2}(z_{i}^{t}B_{i}z_{i})^{1/2} + \sum_{j=1}^{m} \lambda_{j}g_{j}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{k} \alpha_{i}(x^{t}B_{i}z_{i})$$

(by (11) and $(x-u)^{t}u^{*} < 0$, as $u^{*} \in N_{X}(u)$)

$$\underset{\scriptscriptstyle =}{\overset{\scriptscriptstyle <}{_=}}-\sum_{\scriptscriptstyle i=l}^k\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle i}(x^{\scriptscriptstyle t}B_{\scriptscriptstyle i}z_{\scriptscriptstyle i})+\sum_{\scriptscriptstyle j=l}^m\lambda_{\scriptscriptstyle j}g_{\scriptscriptstyle j}(x)+\sum_{\scriptscriptstyle i=l}^k\alpha_{\scriptscriptstyle i}(x^{\scriptscriptstyle t}B_{\scriptscriptstyle i}z_{\scriptscriptstyle i})$$

(using Schwarz 's Inequality)

< 0, by feasibility of x for (FP) and (13).

Hence, by assumption (vi) and definition of strict pseudo-metric, we have

$$F(x,u;\sum_{i=1}^k (\alpha_i(\xi_i+B_iz_i)-\beta_i\eta_i)+\sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j\psi_j+u^*)<0$$

This contradicts (14) and hence u = x.

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