

# Matrix Correction Minimal with respect to the Euclidean Norm of a Pair of Dual Linear Programming Problems\*

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**Abstract.** The paper presents problem formulations, theorems and illustrative numerical examples describing conditions for the existence and a form of solutions of the problem of matrix correction minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm of a pair of dual linear programming (LP) problems. The main results of the paper complement classical duality theory and can serve as a tool to tackle improper LP problems, and/or to ensure the achievement of prespecified optimal solutions of the primal and dual problems via the minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm correction of the constraint matrix elements, the right-hand sides of the constraints and the objective functions of the original problems.

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## 1 Introduction

Consider the pair of dual linear programs (LP)  $L(A, b, c): Ax = b, x \geq 0, c^T x \rightarrow \max, L^*(A, b, c): u^T A \geq c^T, u^T b \rightarrow \min$ , where  $A \in R^{m \times n}, b, u \in R^m, c, x \in R^n$ . Let us introduce the notation for the feasible sets, the optimal values and the sets of optimal solutions of the problems above:  $X(A, b) = \{x | Ax = b, x \geq 0\}$ ,  $U(A, c) = \{u | u^T A \geq c^T\}$ ,  $\ell = \sup_{x \in X(A, b)} c^T x$ ,  $\ell^* = \inf_{u \in U(A, c)} u^T b$ ,  $X_{opt}(A, b, c) = \{x \in X(A, b) | c^T x = \ell\}$ ,  $U_{opt}(A, b, c) = \{u \in U(A, c) | u^T b = \ell^*\}$

The most important facts of the classical duality theory for the problems LP (see, e.g., [1-3]) can be formulated in the form of the theorem below.

**Theorem 1.** The solvability or the unsolvability of the problems  $L(A, b, c)$ ,  $L^*(A, b, c)$  is completely characterized by the following four cases.

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1)  $X(A, b) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $U(A, c) \neq \emptyset$ . In this case both problems are solvable, are called **proper** and the following conditions hold true  $-\infty < \ell = \ell^* < +\infty$ ,  $\forall x \in X(A, b), \forall u \in U(A, c) \Rightarrow c^T x \leq u^T b$ .

2)  $X(A, b) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $U(A, c) = \emptyset$ . In this case  $\ell = +\infty$ , both problems are unsolvable, the problem  $L(A, b, c)$  is called an **improper problem of the first kind**, while the problem  $L^*(A, b, c)$  is called an **improper problem of the second kind**.

3)  $X(A, b) = \emptyset$ ,  $U(A, c) \neq \emptyset$ . In this case  $\ell^* = -\infty$ , both problems are unsolvable, the problem  $L(A, b, c)$  is called an **improper problem of the second kind**, while the problem  $L^*(A, b, c)$  is called an **improper problem of the first kind**.

4)  $X(A, b) = \emptyset$ ,  $U(A, c) = \emptyset$ . In this case, both problems are unsolvable and called an **improper problems of the third kind**.

Suppose that the parameters  $A, b, c$  are subject to perturbations which makes the optimal solutions of the problems  $L(A, b, c), L^*(A, b, c)$  unstable or makes them significantly different from hypothetical exact solutions or makes the linear programs under consideration improper. In this case, it is reasonable to apply regularization and correction procedures that can be formalized, for example, in the following way.

**The minimal matrix correction of the pair  $L(A, b, c), L^*(A, b, c)$  that ensures that these problems are proper:**

$$C(t_b, t_c): \quad X(A+H, b+t_b h_b) \neq \emptyset, \quad U(A+H, c+t_c h_c) \neq \emptyset, \quad (1)$$

$$\|H\|^2 + t_b \|h_b\|^2 + t_c \|h_c\|^2 \rightarrow \min.$$

**The problem of finding the regularized (in the sense of Tikhonov) solutions of the approximate pair of dual linear programs:**

$$R(\mu, \delta_b, \delta_c): \quad x \in X_{opt}(A+H, b+h_b, c+h_c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A+H, b+h_b, c+h_c), \quad (2)$$

$$\|H\| \leq \mu, \|h_b\| \leq \delta_b, \|h_c\| \leq \delta_c, \quad \|x\|^2 + \|u\|^2 \rightarrow \min.$$

From this point onwards, the symbol  $\|\cdot\|$  stands for (depending on the context) the Euclidean norm of a vector or a matrix that in the latter case called the spherical or ... norm, Frobenius's, Schur's or Gilbert-Schmidt's norm (see, for example, [4-6]).

The parameters  $t_b$  and  $t_c$  in formula (1) can only take values  $\{0, 1\}$ , which results in four different formulations of the problem. The scalar parameters  $\mu > 0$ ,  $\delta_b \geq 0$  and  $\delta_c \geq 0$ , used in formula (2), specify the a priori known estimates of the norms of errors (perturbations) of the objects  $A$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

There is already many works devoted to matrix correction of the systems of the linear algebraic equations (SLAE), inequalities and problems of LP in different norms.

One may consider article [7] as one of the first papers dedicated to the specified problem. In paper [8] linear programming problem with inconsistent system of

constraints was considered as a two-criteria problem of initial linear criteria maximization and minimization with respect to the Euclidean norm of the allowable correction of the extended matrix of restrictions.

In article [9] problems of matrices coefficients and extended matrices correction for inconsistent systems of linear algebraic equations and problems of regularization of the corrected systems solutions in arbitrary vector norms were considered.

In monograph [10] a systematic description of the methods for solving problems of optimal matrix correction of inconsistent systems of linear algebraic equations with optimality criteria based on the Euclidean norm was given.

Articles [11-14] and monograph [15] were dedicated to the problems of inconsistent systems of linear algebraic equations matrices correction and linear programming problems with block and more complex structure in various norms.

In [16] necessary and sufficient conditions for the existence of a solution of the problem of finding the minimum with respect to the Euclidean norm matrix, resolving a conjugate pair of SLAE and a pair of mutually dual LP problems, were obtained.

Papers [17-21] considered the problem of correction of inconsistent systems of linear inequalities (or equations and inequalities), including matrices with a block structure, in various norms.

Paper [22] is dedicated to "Correction of Improper Linear Programming Problems in Canonical Form by Applying the Minimax Criterion». In article [23] inverse problems of LP were mentioned in the context of matrix correction of LP problems for the first time. This article also describes a method of matrices vectorization under simultaneous matrix correction of a pair of dual LP problems, which had been published in Russian source, inaccessible for the foreign readers.

Monograph [24] was dedicated to the application of the method of matrix correction of inconsistent systems of equations and inequalities to the problems of optimization and classification. In papers [25-27] we investigated the solvability of improper LP problems of the 1st kind, after the minimum with respect to the Euclidean norm matrix correction of their feasible region.

This work is concentrated on problems of the matrix correction of a dual pair of linear programming problems, minimum on Euclidean norm, guaranteeing existence of the specified solutions of the primal and dual problem.

## 2 Matrix correction for solving approximated systems of linear algebraic equations and Tikhonov's "fundamental lemma"

Consider the following problem formulated by Tikhonov in 1980.

**Problem**  $T(\mu, \delta)$  [28]. Suppose that the compatible system of a linear algebraic equations (SLAE) of the form  $A_0 x = b_0$ , is given, where  $A_0 \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $b_0 \in R^m$ ,  $b_0 \neq 0$ , a relation between the sizes of  $A_0$ ,  $b_0$  and its rank are not specified,  $x_0 \in R^n$  is a solution of the system with minimal Euclidean norm (a normal solution). The system  $A_0 x = b_0$  is said to be exact. The numerical values of  $A_0$ ,  $b_0$  and  $x_0$  are unknown. Instead, the approximate matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  and vector  $b \in R^m$ ,  $b \neq 0$  satisfying the

following conditions  $\|A_0 - A\| \leq \mu$ ,  $\|b_0 - b\| \leq \delta < \|b\|$  are given, where  $\mu \geq 0$  and  $\delta \geq 0$  – are known parameters that cannot be equal to zero simultaneously. In the general case, it is not supposed that the matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  has full rank and that the system  $Ax = b$  is compatible.

It is required to find a matrix  $A_1 \in R^{m \times n}$  a vectors  $b_1 \in R^m$  such that the following conditions are valid:  $\|A - A_1\| \leq \mu$ ,  $\|b - b_1\| \leq \delta$ ,  $A_1 x_1 = b_1$ ,  $\|x_1\| \rightarrow \min$ .

The problem  $T(\mu, \delta)$  that was later on called by Tikhonov the regularized method of the least squares (RLS) [29, 30], is interesting for two reasons. Firstly, this problem is one of the first known (mentioned in the literature) problems of matrix correction. Secondly, among the tools for solving this problem, there is an important in the context of this article result that was called by Tikhonov "the fundamental lemma".

Lemma 1. ("The fundamental lemma")[28]. A system of linear algebraic equations of the form  $Ax = b$  is solvable with respect to unknown matrix  $Ax = b$  for any  $x \in R^n$ ,  $x \neq 0$ ,  $b \in R^m$ . Solution of this system with the minimal Euclidean norm is unique and is given by the formula  $\hat{A} = bx^T / x^T x$ , where  $\|\hat{A}\| = \|b\| / \|x\|$ .

Lemma 1 allows one to reduce the problem  $T(\mu, \delta)$  to the constrained minimization problem in  $R^n$ , the optimal solution of which is the required vector  $x_1$ . Other required object  $A_1$  and  $b_1$  that are interpreted in the context of this article as the result of matrix correction of the matrix  $[A \ b]$ , are calculated directly via  $A$ ,  $b$ ,  $x_1$  and  $\delta$ . The detailed study of this problem is given in [31], while modern modifications and generalizations are presented in the report [32].

### 3 A matrix solution of a dual pair of systems of linear algebraic equations

By virtue of Theorem 1, the important "working" object that is necessary for the study of a dual pair of linear programs is a pair of dual SLAE. Consider this object and the related problem of matrix correction.

**Problem**  $Z_A(x, v, u, b)$  [16]: Suppose that known vectors  $x, v \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x, u \neq 0$  are given. It is required to find a matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  with the minimal Euclidean norm that satisfies the following system of equations

$$Ax = b, u^T A = v^T. \quad (3)$$

The above problem can be considered as a generalized of Tikhonov's "fundamental lemma" to the case of a pair of dual SLAE. The following theorem describes a solution to this problem.

**Theorem 2** [16]. Under the condition that  $x, u \neq 0$ , the system (3) is solvable with respect to matrix  $A$  if and only if the following condition holds true:  $u^T b = v^T x = \alpha$ .

Moreover, solution  $\hat{A}$  of the system having the minimal Euclidean norm is unique and is defined as follows

$$\hat{A} = \frac{bx^T}{x^T x} + \frac{uv^T}{u^T u} - \alpha \frac{ux^T}{x^T x \cdot u^T u}, \tag{4}$$

$$\|\hat{A}\|^2 = \frac{\|b\|^2}{\|x\|^2} + \frac{\|v\|^2}{\|u\|^2} - \frac{\alpha^2}{\|x\|^2 \cdot \|u\|^2}. \tag{5}$$

**Corollary 1.** If the system is solvable with respect to unknown matrix ..., then all solutions of this system are given by the formula

$$A = \hat{A} + \Delta A, \tag{6}$$

where  $\hat{A}$  is the matrix with the minimal Euclidean norm defined by (4), (5), and  $\Delta A \in R^{m \times n}$  is a matrix such that

$$u^T \Delta A = 0, \Delta A x = 0. \tag{7}$$

**Example 1.**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \alpha = v^T x = u^T b = -3,$

$$\hat{A} = \frac{1}{30} \begin{pmatrix} 13 & -22 & 1 \\ 5 & 10 & 5 \\ 4 & -16 & -2 \end{pmatrix}, \Delta A = \frac{1}{30} \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 2 & -11 \\ -10 & 10 & -10 \\ -14 & -4 & 22 \end{pmatrix}, A = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 & -2 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ -2 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Carrying out the calculations, one can verify that the conditions (3), (5), (6) are satisfied.

**Remark.** Above it was shown that the solution of a pair of dual SLAE of the form (3), in the general case, is a family of matrices given by (6), (7), one of the elements of which is the matrix of the form (3) with the minimal Euclidean norm determined by (5). Similar results hold true for matrix correction problems described in the following sections. However, for the sake of shortness, families of matrices are not considered below, and our attention is concentrated on the important elements of these families – matrices (augmented matrices) with the minimum Euclidean norm.

#### 4 The minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm matrix solution of a dual pair of linear programming problems with prespecified optimal solutions

In this section, we consider the "key" problem that is an inverse LP. The publications on inverse LP are quite rare. As an example, let us mention one of the recent articles [33] that is devoted to the problem of minimal with respect to the Euclidean

norm change (correction) of the vector of the objective function ensuring that a chosen vector from the feasible set of LP is an optimal solution.

The problem that we study below is an inverse problem in the sense that prespecified optimal solutions of the primal and dual LP are the input data of this problem, while the constraint matrix is thought to be unknown.

**Problem  $M_A(x, v, u, b)$**  [34]: Suppose that known vectors  $x, c \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x, u \neq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$  are given. It is required to find a matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  with minimal Euclidean norm such that the vectors  $x, u$  are the optimal solutions of the linear programming problems  $L(A, b, c)$  and  $L^*(A, b, c)$ , i.e. such that

$$x \in X_{opt}(A, b, c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A, b, c) \quad (8)$$

A solution of the above problem is described in the following result.

**Theorem 3** [34]. A matrix  $A$  satisfying the conditions (8) for prespecified  $x$ ,  $u \neq 0$  exists if and only if the following condition is valid  $c^T x = u^T b = \alpha$ . Solution  $\hat{A}$  of system (8), having the minimal Euclidean norm (a solution of the problem  $M_A$ ) is unique and is defined as follows

$$\hat{A} = \frac{bx^T}{x^T x} + \frac{ug^T}{u^T u} - \alpha \frac{ux^T}{x^T x \cdot u^T u}, \quad \text{where } g = (g_j) \in R^n, \quad g_j = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } c_j \leq 0 \text{ and } x_j = 0, \\ c_j, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Furthermore, one has

$$\|\hat{A}\|^2 = \frac{\|b\|^2}{\|x\|^2} + \frac{\|g\|^2}{\|u\|^2} - \frac{\alpha^2}{\|x\|^2 \cdot \|u\|^2}. \quad (9)$$

**Example 2.**

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad g = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \alpha = -2, \quad \hat{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 & -3/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 & 0 \\ 1/2 & -3/2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Carrying out calculation, one can check that the conditions (8)-(9) are valid.

## 5 The matrix correction of dual pair of linear programming problems with the specified optimal solutions, minimal on Euclidean norm

In this section we consider the set of problems of the minimal matrix correction of the pair  $L(A, b, c)$ ,  $L^*(A, b, c)$  of LP dual problems, which guarantee accessory of the given vectors  $x \in R^n$ ,  $u \in R^m$  to the sets of optimal solutions of the corrected LP problems:

$$C_0(x, u, t_b, t_c): x \in X_{opt}(A+H, b+t_b h_b, c+t_c h_c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A+H, b+t_b h_b, c+t_c h_c), \\ \|H\|^2 + t_b \|h_b\|^2 + t_c \|h_c\|^2 \rightarrow \min.$$

Depending on values of parameters  $t_b, t_c \in \{0, 1\}$ , there are four kinds of a problem from the noted set, which we consider separately.

**Problem  $C_0(x, u, 0, 0)$ :** Suppose known vectors  $x, c \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x, u \neq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$ , and known matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  are given. It is required to find a matrix  $H \in R^{m \times n}$  with the minimum Euclidean norm such that the vectors  $x, u$  are the solutions of the problems of linear programming  $L(A+H, b, c)$  and  $L^*(A+H, b, c)$ , i.e. such that

$$x \in X_{opt}(A+H, b, c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A+H, b, c) \tag{10}$$

This problem was firstly considered in work [16] where the problem  $Z_A$  and theorem 2 were used as research instruments. Later in work [34], using the problem  $M_A$  and theorem 3, the calculations were significantly simplified, and the received result was strengthened.

**Theorem 4** [16, 34]. The matrix  $H$ , providing the validity of conditions (10) at the known vectors  $x, u \neq 0$ , exists if and only if the condition  $c^T x = u^T b = \gamma$  is satisfied. The solution  $\hat{H}$  of system (10), minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm (the solution of the problem  $C_0(x, u, 0, 0)$ ), is unique and is defined by the formula

$$\hat{H} = \frac{(b - Ax)x^T}{x^T x} + \frac{ug^T}{u^T u} - \alpha \frac{ux^T}{x^T x \cdot u^T u}, \text{ where } \alpha = \gamma - u^T Ax, \\ g = (g_j) \in R^n, \quad g_j = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } (c - A^T u)_j \leq 0 \text{ and } x_j = 0, \\ (c - A^T u)_j & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{11}$$

$$\|\hat{H}\|^2 = \|b - Ax\|^2 / \|x\|^2 + \|g\|^2 / \|u\|^2 - \alpha^2 / (\|x\|^2 \cdot \|u\|^2). \tag{12}$$

**Example 3.**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \gamma = -2,$

$$\alpha = -1, b - Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c - A^T u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, g = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 & 1/4 & 0 \\ -1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ -3/4 & -1/4 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Carrying out calculations, we make sure that conditions (10), (12) are satisfied.

**Problem  $C_0(x, u, 1, 0)$**  [34]: Suppose known vectors  $x, c \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x, u \neq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$ , and a known matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  are given. It is required to find a matrix  $[H \quad -h_b]$  where  $H \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $h_b \in R^m$  with the minimum Euclidean norm such that

the vectors  $x, u$  are the solutions of problems of the LP problems  $L(A+H, b+h_b, c)$  and  $L^*(A+H, b+h_b, c)$ , i.e. such that

$$x \in X_{opt}(A+H, b+h_b, c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A+H, b+h_b, c). \quad (13)$$

**Theorem 5** [34]. The matrix  $[H \quad -h_b]$ , providing the validity of conditions (13), exists for any  $A, b, c, x, u \neq 0$ . The solution  $[\hat{H} \quad -\hat{h}_b]$  of system (13), minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm (the solution of the problem  $C_0(x, u, 1, 0)$ ), is unique and is defined by the formula

$$[\hat{H} \quad -\hat{h}_b] = \frac{(b-Ax)[x^T \quad 1]}{x^T x + 1} + \frac{u[g^T \quad \sigma]}{u^T u} - \alpha \frac{u[x^T \quad 1]}{(x^T x + 1) \cdot u^T u},$$

where  $\alpha = u^T b - u^T A x$ ,  $\sigma = u^T b - c^T x$ , and the vector  $g$  is defined by (11). Thus

$$\|[\hat{H} \quad -\hat{h}_b]\|^2 = \|b-Ax\|^2 / (\|x\|^2 + 1) + (\|g\|^2 + \sigma^2) / \|u\|^2 - \alpha^2 / (\|x\|^2 + 1) \cdot \|u\|^2. \quad (14)$$

**Example 4.**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \alpha = -1,$

$$\sigma = -2, b-Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c-A^T u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 & 2/3 & 0 \\ -1/3 & -1/3 & 0 \\ -1/6 & 1/3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{h}_b = \begin{bmatrix} 5/6 \\ 1/3 \\ 5/6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Carrying out calculations, we make sure that the conditions (13)-(14) are satisfied.

**Problem**  $C_0(x, u, 0, 1)$ . This problem is considered for the first time.

Suppose known vectors  $x, c \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x, u \neq 0$ ,  $x \geq 0$ , and a known matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  are given. It is required to find a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} H \\ -h_c^T \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $H \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $h_c \in R^n$  with the minimum Euclidean norm such that the vectors  $x, u$  are the solutions of the LP problems  $L(A+H, b, c+h_c)$  and  $L^*(A+H, b, c+h_c)$ , i.e. such that

$$x \in X_{opt}(A+H, b, c+h_c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A+H, b, c+h_c). \quad (15)$$

**Theorem 6.** The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} H \\ -h_c^T \end{bmatrix}$ , providing the validity of conditions (15), exists

for any  $A, b, c, u, x \neq 0$ . The solution  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} \\ -\hat{h}_c^T \end{bmatrix}$  of system (15), minimal with respect



to the Euclidean norm (the solution of the problem  $C_0(x, u, 0, 1)$ ), is unique and is defined by the formula

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} \\ -\hat{h}_c^T \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b - Ax \\ \tau \end{bmatrix} \frac{x^T}{x^T x} + \begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{g^T}{u^T u + 1} - \alpha \begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{x^T}{x^T x \cdot (u^T u + 1)}, \quad (16)$$

where

$$\alpha = c^T x - u^T A x, \quad \tau = c^T x - u^T b, \quad (17)$$

and the vector  $g$  is defined by formula (11). Thus

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} \\ -\hat{h}_c^T \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 = \frac{\|b - Ax\|^2 + \tau^2}{\|x\|^2} + \frac{\|g\|^2}{\|u\|^2 + 1} - \frac{\alpha^2}{\|x\|^2 \cdot (\|u\|^2 + 1)}. \quad (18)$$

Due to the article volume limitation, theorem 6 is presented without proof.

**Example 5.**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \alpha = 1, \tau = 2,$

$$b - Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c - A^T u = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, g = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \hat{H} = \begin{pmatrix} -1/6 & 1/6 & 0 \\ -1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ -2/3 & -1/3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{h}_c = \begin{bmatrix} -5/6 \\ -7/6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Carrying out calculations, we make sure that conditions (15), (18) are satisfied.

**Problem**  $C_0(x, u, 1, 1)$ . This problem is considered for the first time.

Suppose known vectors  $x, c \in R^n, u, b \in R^m, x, u \neq 0, x \geq 0$ , and a known matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  are given. It is required to find: a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $H \in R^{m \times n}, h_b \in R^m, h_c \in R^n$  with the minimum Euclidean norm such that the vectors  $x, u$  are the solutions of problems of the LP problems  $L(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c)$  and  $L^*(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c)$ , i.e. such that

$$x \in X_{opt}(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c), \quad u \in U_{opt}(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c). \quad (19)$$

**Theorem 7.** The matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , providing the validity of conditions (19),

exists for any  $A, b, c, x, u$ . The solution  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} & -\hat{h}_b \\ -\hat{h}_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  of system (19), minimal with respect to the Euclidean norm (the solution of the problem  $C_0(x, u, 1, 1)$ ), is unique and is defined by the formula

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} & -\hat{h}_b \\ -\hat{h}_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} b-Ax \\ v \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}}{x^T x + 1} + \frac{\begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g^T & \omega \end{bmatrix}}{u^T u + 1} - \alpha \frac{\begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x^T & 1 \end{bmatrix}}{(x^T x + 1)(u^T u + 1)}, \quad (20)$$

where the vector  $g$  is defined by formula (11),

$$\alpha = \frac{x^T x + 1}{x^T x + u^T u + 1} (c^T - u^T A)x + \frac{u^T u + 1}{x^T x + u^T u + 1} u^T (b - Ax), \quad (21)$$

$$\gamma = \frac{c^T x \cdot u^T u + u^T b \cdot x^T x + u^T A x}{x^T x + u^T u + 1}, \quad v = c^T x - \gamma, \quad \omega = u^T b - \gamma, \quad (22)$$

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} & -\hat{h}_b \\ -\hat{h}_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 = \frac{\|b - Ax\|^2 + v^2}{\|x\|^2 + 1} + \frac{\|g\|^2 + \omega^2}{\|u\|^2 + 1} - \frac{\alpha^2}{(\|x\|^2 + 1) \cdot (\|u\|^2 + 1)}. \quad (23)$$

**Proof.** Consider the problem  $M_{\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c})$ , which is a modification of the

problem  $M_A(x, u, b, c)$ : Suppose known vectors  $x, c \in R^n$ ,  $u, b \in R^m$ ,  $x \geq 0$ ,  $x \neq 0$ , and a known matrix  $A \in R^{m \times n}$  are given and the vectors  $\tilde{x}$ ,  $\tilde{u}$ ,  $\tilde{b}$  and  $\tilde{c}$  are constructed as follows

$$\tilde{u} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in R^{m+1}, \quad \tilde{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in R^{n+1}, \quad \tilde{b} = \begin{bmatrix} b - Ax \\ v \end{bmatrix} \in R^{m+1}, \quad \tilde{c} = \begin{bmatrix} c - A^T u \\ \omega \end{bmatrix} \in R^{n+1}, \quad (24)$$

Here  $v, \omega \in R$  are some parameters. It is required to find a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in R^{(m+1) \times (n+1)}$  with the minimum Euclidean norm such that vectors  $\tilde{x}$

and  $\tilde{u}$  are the solutions of problems of the LP problems  $L\left(\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}\right)$  and

$L^*\left(\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}\right)$ , i.e. such that

$$\tilde{x} \in X_{opt}\left(\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}\right), \quad \tilde{u} \in U_{opt}\left(\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}\right). \quad (25)$$

The problems  $C_0(x, u, 1, 1)$  and  $M_{\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c})$  are equivalent as, according to (24), there are one-to-one correspondences:

$$x \in X_{opt}(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c) \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in X_{opt}\left(\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}\right),$$

$$u \in U_{opt}(A + H, b + h_b, c + h_c) \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in U_{opt} \left( \begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c} \right).$$

Let us note that the condition  $\tilde{u} \neq 0$  is carried out for any  $u$  and, including the case  $u = 0$ , as a result of (24) and the condition  $\tilde{x} \neq 0$  is carried out for any  $x$ , including the case  $x = 0$ , as a result of (24). Taking in account this remark and theorem 3, we get that the matrix  $W \in R^{(m+1) \times (n+1)}$ , providing realization of conditions

$$\tilde{x} \in X_{opt}(W, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}), \quad \tilde{u} \in U_{opt}(W, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c}) \tag{26}$$

for any given  $x$  and  $u$ , exists if and only if holds the following condition:

$$\tilde{c}^T \tilde{x} = \tilde{b}^T \tilde{u} = \alpha. \tag{27}$$

Condition (27), according to (24), is equivalent to the following system of conditions

$$c^T x - u^T A x + \omega = \alpha \Leftrightarrow \omega - \alpha = u^T A x - c^T x, \tag{28}$$

$$u^T b - u^T A x + \nu = \alpha \Leftrightarrow \nu - \alpha = u^T A x - u^T b. \tag{29}$$

The system contains two undefined parameters  $\nu$  and  $\omega$ . With the suitable choice of values of the specified parameters it is possible to satisfy condition (27) for any  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ . Thus, according to theorem 3, the matrix  $W$  providing performance of conditions (26) exists for any  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ . Also, owing to theorem 3, for any  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  the corresponding matrix  $\hat{W}$  with the minimum Euclidean norm exists and is unique. It is as follows

$$\hat{W} = \begin{bmatrix} S & p \\ q^T & \theta \end{bmatrix} = \frac{\tilde{b} \tilde{x}^T}{\tilde{x}^T \tilde{x}} + \frac{\tilde{u} \tilde{g}^T}{\tilde{u}^T \tilde{u}} - \alpha \frac{\tilde{u} \tilde{x}^T}{\tilde{x}^T \tilde{x} \cdot \tilde{u}^T \tilde{u}}, \tag{30}$$

where  $S \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $p \in R^m$ ,  $q \in R^n$ ,  $\theta \in R$ , the vectors  $\tilde{x}$ ,  $\tilde{u}$  and  $\tilde{b}$  are determined by  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  in formulas (24), and the vector  $\tilde{g} \in R^{n+1}$  is defined as  $\tilde{g} = [g \ \omega]^T$ , where the vector  $g \in R^n$  is determined by  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$  and  $c$  in a formulas (11) and (24).

Using block representations (24) for the vectors  $\tilde{x}$ ,  $\tilde{u}$ ,  $\tilde{b}$  and  $\tilde{g}$  and block representation (30) for matrix  $\hat{W}$ , it is possible to gain a representation for the parameter  $\theta$  in terms of  $A$ ,  $x$ ,  $u$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  and the condition  $\theta = 0$ , following from this representation, which is necessary for transformation of the matrix  $\hat{W}$  to the matrix

$\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , guaranteeing the validity of conditions (26) and being the solution of

the problem  $M \begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} (\tilde{x}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c})$ :

$$\theta = \frac{\nu}{x^T x + 1} + \frac{\omega}{u^T u + 1} - \frac{\alpha}{(x^T x + 1) \cdot (u^T u + 1)} = 0. \quad (31)$$

The system of conditions (28), (29), (31) represents the linear algebraic equations system, concerning the variables  $\nu$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\alpha$  which can be written down in the following vector-matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ (x^T x + 1)^{-1} & (u^T u + 1)^{-1} & -(x^T x + 1)^{-1} \cdot (u^T u + 1)^{-1} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \nu \\ \omega \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u^T A x - u^T b \\ u^T A x - c^T x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (32)$$

The solution of system (32) exists and is unique for any  $x$ ,  $u$ , such that  $\|x\| < +\infty$ ,  $\|u\| < +\infty$ . It is possible to check this statement, analyzing the range of values of determinant of the system (32) matrix  $Q$ :  $0 < \det(Q) = \frac{x^T x + u^T u + 1}{x^T x + u^T u + x^T x \cdot u^T u + 1} \leq 1$ .

Solving system (32), we receive the values of the parameters  $\alpha$ ,  $\nu$ ,  $\omega$  corresponding to formulas (21)-(22).

By virtue of the calculations given above the existence and the uniqueness of the decision of system (32) means the existence and the uniqueness of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} & -\hat{h}_b \\ -\hat{h}_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , which is the solution of the problem  $M_{\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}}(\tilde{x}, \tilde{u}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c})$ , and also means the validity of formulas (20), (23), which characterize the specified matrix. And, as the problems  $C_0(x, u, 0, 1)$  and  $M_{\begin{bmatrix} H & -h_b \\ -h_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix}}(x, \tilde{u}, \tilde{b}, \tilde{c})$  are equivalent, theorem 7 is

fair, and this theorem describes the conditions of resolvability of the problem  $C_0(x, u, 1, 1)$  and the type of its solution.

**Example 6.**  $\gamma = -7/5$ ,  $\nu = 2/5$ ,  $\omega = -3/5$ ,  $\alpha = -3/5$ ,

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$b - Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, c - A^T u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, g = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \hat{H} & -\hat{h}_b \\ -\hat{h}_c^T & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -4/15 & 2/5 & 0 & -2/15 \\ -1/3 & -1/3 & 0 & -1/3 \\ -3/5 & 1/15 & 0 & -7/15 \\ -2/15 & 8/15 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Carrying out calculations, we make sure that the conditions (19), (23) are satisfied.

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