



FEG3324 Applied Optimization and mathematical Decompositions 10.0 credits

Tillämpad optimering och matematiska dekompositioner

This is a translation of the Swedish, legally binding, course syllabus.

If the course is discontinued, students may request to be examined during the following two academic years

Establishment

Course syllabus for FEG3324 valid from Spring 2023

Grading scale

P, F

Education cycle

Third cycle

Specific prerequisites

No specific prerequisite.

Language of instruction

The language of instruction is specified in the course offering information in the course catalogue.

Intended learning outcomes

After the course, the student should be able to:

- Understand and describe the theory of convex and nonconvex optimization problems,
- Examine and compare practical convex optimization models (LP, QCQP, SOCP, SP, DP),
- Examine and compare practical nonconvex optimization models (MILP, Quasiconvex optimization, IEOSP)
- Investigate and test selected practical nonconvex optimization models (Disjunctive program, Logic-based program, Stochastic program, Bilevel and Trilevel programs),
- Investigate and test applied complementarity problems (LCP, MCP, MPEC, EPEC),
- Apply different variations of decomposition algorithms (Benders decomposition, Lagrange decomposition, Hybrid decomposition, and their variants) for solving complex real-life optimization models,
- Understand different applications of the above models and solution algorithms in electricity-network optimization,
- Examine and practice the ABC of the optimization modeling process.

Course contents

PhD course on:

Applied Optimization and Mathematical Decompositions

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Part 1: Convex optimization problems

Linear Program (LP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
 - - Simplex method
 - - Interior Point method
- Example

Convex Quadratic Program

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Convex Quadratically Constrained Quadratic Program (QCQP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Second Order Cone Program (SOCP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Semi Definite Program (SDP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Dynamic Program (DP) and Dynamic Dual Program (DDP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Part 2: Nonconvex optimization problems with special properties

- Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)
- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- - Branch and Bound
- - Branch and Cut
- Example
- Generalized Mixed Integer Convex Programs (MICP)

Quasi Convex Optimization Problem

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Inside Ellipsoid Outside Sphere Program (IEOSP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Part 3: Selected nonconvex optimization problems

Disjunctive program

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Logic-based program

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Stochastic program

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Bilevel and Trilevel programs

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Part 4: Complementarity problems

Linear Complementarity Problem (LCP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Mixed Complementarity Problem (MCP)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Mathematical Program with Equilibrium Constraints (MPEC)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Equilibrium Problem with Equilibrium Constraints (EPEC)

- General formulation
- Solution algorithms
- Example

Part 5: Mathematical decompositions

Benders decomposition and its variants

- Basic theory
- Variants
- Examples

Lagrange decomposition and its variants

- Basic theory
- Variants
- Examples

Hybrid decomposition and its variants

- Basic theory
- Variants
- Examples

Part 6: Some Applications in electricity-network optimization

Transmission capacity expansion: LP model

Transmission investment planning: MILP model

Transmission planning with quadratic generation cost function: MIQP

Transmission planning with ohmic loss function: MIQCQP

VPP trading in reserve and intra-day markets: Dynamic program and dual dynamic program

Transmission investment regulation: Disjunctive program

TSO-DSO operational coordination: Logic-based program

Transmission investment under uncertainty: Stochastic program

Merchant transmission investment: LCP and MCP

Optimal hydropower bidding: MPEC

Nash equilibrium: EPEC

Part 7: The ABC of optimization modeling process

A: Convex model or nonconvex model?

B: For nonconvex models:

- Identify the hidden convex structure
- Convex approximation
- Convex relaxation
- Reformulation to one of the nonconvex models with special properties
- Solve your model using standard off-the-shelf solvers

C: How about original nonconvex structure? New theories and insights ...

References:

- Lecture slides and research papers

- R. Baldick, Applied Optimization Formulation and algorithms for Engineering Systems, Cambridge University Press, 2006.

Examination

- EXA1 - Examination, 10.0 credits, grading scale: P, F

Based on recommendation from KTH's coordinator for disabilities, the examiner will decide how to adapt an examination for students with documented disability.

The examiner may apply another examination format when re-examining individual students.

Examination is based on a seminar, several course projects, a research paper, and a final report. Each student should give a seminar presentation of a selected topic relevant to the course. During the course several projects will be defined where students experience different optimization models and software packages. Also, a research paper based on the selected topic will be written by the student. The final examination is based on the final report delivered by the student.

Other requirements for final grade

A final report which includes seminar presentation, course projects, and research paper.

Ethical approach

- All members of a group are responsible for the group's work.
- In any assessment, every student shall honestly disclose any help received and sources used.
- In an oral assessment, every student shall be able to present and answer questions about the entire assignment and solution.