
The problem can be submitted until March 1, 12 :00 noon, either at the exercise session or into the box in front of MA C1 563.

Student(s)¹ :

Question 1 : *The question is worth 5 points.*

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Let $P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax \leq b\}$ be a bounded, non-empty set. Formulate a linear program that computes the radius of the largest ball that can be inscribed into P .

Sol.: *A ball of radius r and center x is contained in P if and only if $x \in P$ and x has distance at least r from any hyperplane defining P . Hence we obtain the following linear program :*

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & r \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{b_i - a_i x}{\|a_i\|} \geq r \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m \\ & Ax \leq b \end{aligned}$$

where a_1, \dots, a_m are the rows of A and $b = (b_1 \dots b_m)^\top$.

1. You are allowed to submit your solutions in groups of at most three students.