

56:271 Nonlinear Programming
Quiz #8-- Fall 2003

Indicate true (+) or false (o):

- _____ 1. A posynomial function is always positive.
- _____ 2. The dual of a posynomial GP problem has one orthogonality equation for each primal variable.
- _____ 3. A polynomial function is always a posynomial, but a posynomial function is not always a polynomial.
- _____ 4. It is possible that the information provided by the optimal solution of the dual of a posynomial GP problem is not sufficient to compute the primal solution, in which case another ("subsidiary") problem must be solved to obtain additional information.
- _____ 5. If the posynomial GP dual problem is infeasible, then the primal GP problem's objective function is unbounded below.
- _____ 6. The dual of an unconstrained posynomial GP problem has only linear equality plus nonnegativity constraints.
- _____ 7. A signomial function is always positive.
- _____ 8. The dual of a posynomial GP problem is always feasible.
- _____ 9. If a primal GP constraint is slack, then all the weights δ_i of the terms in that constraint must be zero.
- _____ 10. If all posynomials in a (posynomial) GP problem are condensed into single terms, then it is always possible to rewrite the resulting problem as an LP problem.
- _____ 11. If a posynomial function is "condensed" into a monomial, the monomial function (if not equal) is an *overestimate* of the posynomial function.
- _____ 12. If all posynomials in a (posynomial) GP problem are condensed into single terms, then the resulting problem has a feasible region which includes the original feasible region.

13. Which of the functions below are convex? *circle:* a b c d e f g
14. Which of the functions below are concave? *circle:* a b c d e f g
15. Which of the functions below are separable? *circle:* a b c d e f g

a.
$$v(\delta, \lambda) = \prod_{t=1}^T \left(\frac{c_t}{\delta_t} \right)^{\delta_t} \prod_{k=1}^K \lambda_k^{\lambda_k}$$

b.
$$\ln v(\delta, \lambda) = \sum_{t=1}^T (\delta_t \ln c_t - \delta_t \ln \delta_t) + \sum \lambda_k \ln \lambda_k$$

c.
$$v(\delta, \lambda) = \prod_{t=1}^T \left(\frac{c_t}{\delta_t} \right)^{\delta_t} \prod_{k=1}^K \left(\sum_{t \in [k]} \delta_t \right)^{\sum_{t \in [k]} \lambda_t}$$

d.
$$\ln v(\delta, \lambda) = \sum_{t=1}^T (\delta_t \ln c_t - \delta_t \ln \delta_t) + \sum \left(\sum_{t \in [k]} \delta_t \right) \ln \left(\sum_{t \in [k]} \delta_t \right)$$

e.
$$\sum_{t \in [k]} c_t \prod_{i=1}^n x_i^{a_{ij}}$$

f.
$$\sum_{t \in [k]} c_t e^{z_t}$$

g.
$$\sum_t \delta_t \ln \delta_t$$