

TEL 603E – Convex Analysis for Signal Processing

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References : S. Boyd, L. Vandenberghe, 'Convex Optimization', Cambridge University Press, 2004.
J.-P. Hiriart-Urruty, C. Lemaréchal, 'Fundamentals of Convex Analysis', Springer, 2001.
R. T. Rockafellar, 'Convex Analysis', Princeton University Press, 1996.
R. T. Rockafellar, 'Conjugate Duality and Optimization', SIAM, 1987.
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Grading : Homeworks (20%), 1 Midterm (30%), Final (50%).

Tentative Course Outline

- Review of Linear Algebra
Vector spaces, subspaces, basis, dimension, orthogonality, eigen analysis.
- Convex Sets
Operations that preserve convexity of sets, convex/affine hulls, projections, separation, tangent and normal cones.
- Convex Functions
Epigraph, Jensen's inequality, operations preserving convexity of functions, first and second order differentiation, conjugate functions.
- Duality
Saddle point duality, Lagrange multipliers, the dual problem, Slater's condition.
- Subdifferentials
Different geometrical interpretations, calculus rules on subdifferentials, monotone operators
- Applications and Some Iterative Algorithms
The augmented Lagrangian, ADMM, variational problems, POCS, Dykstra's algorithm, forward-backward algorithm, Douglas-Rachford algorithm, majorization-minimization, support vector machines...