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First, for arbitrary  $\theta_1, \theta_2$ .

$$Z^*(\theta_1) = (C_1 + \alpha_1 \theta_1, C_2 + \alpha_2 \theta_1, \dots, C_n + \alpha_n \theta_1) [X_1^*] = M_1 X_1^* \quad \checkmark$$

$$Z^*(\theta_2) = (C_1 + \alpha_1 \theta_2, C_2 + \alpha_2 \theta_2, \dots, C_n + \alpha_n \theta_2) [X_2^*] = M_2 X_2^* \quad \checkmark$$

for  $\theta_1, X_1^*$  maximizes  $(C_1 + \alpha_1 \theta_1, \dots, C_n + \alpha_n \theta_1) X = M_1 X$  for  $X$  satisfying  $AX \leq b, X \geq 0$  ✓  
 for  $\theta_2, X_2^*$  maximizes  $(C_1 + \alpha_1 \theta_2, \dots, C_n + \alpha_n \theta_2) X = M_2 X$

then

$$Z^*(\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2) = (C_1 + \alpha_1 (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2), \dots, C_n + \alpha_n (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2)) = M_3 X_3^* \quad \checkmark$$

$X_1^*, X_2^*, X_3^*$  satisfies  $\begin{cases} AX \leq b \\ X \geq 0 \end{cases}$

Then

$$Z^*(\theta_1) = M_1 X_1^* \geq M_1 X_3^* \quad \checkmark$$

$$Z^*(\theta_2) = M_2 X_2^* \geq M_2 X_3^* \quad \checkmark$$

thus let  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$

$$\lambda Z^*(\theta_1) + (1-\lambda) Z^*(\theta_2) = \lambda M_1 X_1^* + (1-\lambda) M_2 X_2^* \geq (\lambda M_1 + (1-\lambda) M_2) X_3^*$$

$$\lambda M_1 + (1-\lambda) M_2 = (C_1 + \alpha_1 (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2), \dots, C_n + \alpha_n (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2)) = M_3 \quad \checkmark$$

thus

$$\lambda Z^*(\theta_1) + (1-\lambda) Z^*(\theta_2) \geq (\lambda M_1 + (1-\lambda) M_2) X_3^* = M_3 X_3^* = Z^*(\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2)$$

we have showed that

$Z^*(\theta)$  is convex. ✓

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Convert it to dual problem

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^m (b_i + \beta_i \theta) y_i = y B_\theta \quad B_\theta = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + \beta_1 \theta \\ \vdots \\ b_m + \beta_m \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{st } y A \geq \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = C \quad \text{here } A = a_{ij} (1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n)$$

$$y \geq 0$$

then by the relationship between primal and dual,  $x, \theta$ ,  
 $\hat{z}(\theta) = C \hat{x} = \hat{y} B$  where both  $\hat{x}, \hat{y}$  are feasible in their own problem  
 $C \hat{x} \geq C x, \hat{y} B_0 \leq y B_\theta$  for all feasible  $x$  and  $y$  ✓

Then fix  $\theta_1, \theta_2$

$$\hat{z}(\theta_1) = \hat{y}_1 B_{\theta_1} = C \hat{x}_1 \leq \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_1}$$

$$\hat{z}(\theta_2) = \hat{y}_2 B_{\theta_2} = C \hat{x}_2 \leq \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_2}$$

$$\hat{z}(\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2) = \hat{z}(\theta_3) = \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_3} = C \hat{x}_3$$

Note:  $\hat{y}_1, \hat{y}_2, \hat{y}_3$  are feasible since they are under the same constraint.

then

$$\lambda \hat{z}(\theta_1) + (1-\lambda) \hat{z}(\theta_2)$$

$$= \lambda \hat{y}_1 B_{\theta_1} + (1-\lambda) \hat{y}_2 B_{\theta_2}$$

$$\leq \lambda \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_1} + (1-\lambda) \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_2}$$

$$= \hat{y}_3 (\lambda B_{\theta_1} + (1-\lambda) B_{\theta_2})$$

$$= \hat{y}_3 \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2) \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m + (\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2) \beta_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \hat{y}_3 B_{\theta_3}$$

$$= \hat{z}(\lambda \theta_1 + (1-\lambda) \theta_2) \quad \text{for } \lambda \in [0, 1]$$

Thus  $\hat{z}(\theta)$  is concave. ✓