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- Hjemmeside

Linear Programming

- Tirsdag, 14/11: **Introduction to LP**, afsnit 29.1 og 29.2
 - Opgaver til 1. øvelsesgang: 29.1-1,-2,-3,4,-5,-6,-7,-8,-9, 29.2-1,-2,-3, BBB (hjemmeopgave, udleveres ved 1. forelæsning, afleveres den 24/11, **ej obligatorisk**)
- Fredag, 17/11: **SIMPLEX algorithm**, afsnit 29.3 og 29.5
 - Opgaver til 2. øvelsesgang: 29.3-2,-3,-4,-5,-6, 29.5-3,-4,-5.
- Tirsdag, 21/11: **Duality**, afsnit 29.4
 - Opgaver til 3. øvelsesgang: 29.4-1, 29.4-5, 29-2, VA-P2 (hjemmeopgave, udleveres ved 3. forelæsning, afleveres den 1/12, **ej obligatorisk**).

Introduction

- Linear Programming by Example
- Geometric Interpretation
- Linear Programming – Brief History
- Standard and Slack Formulations
- SIMPLEX by Example

Diet Problem (after Chvatal)

- Every day Polly needs:
 - 2000 kcal,
 - 55g protein,
 - 800mg calcium.
- She will get other stuff (e.g., iron and vitamins) by taking pills. Not that this could not be included in the model – we just want to keep it simple.
- She wants a diet that will meet the requirements while being neither expensive nor boring.

Value and Price per Serving

Food	Energy (kcal)	Protein (g)	Calcium (mg)	Price per serving
Oatmeal	110	4	2	3
Chicken	205	32	12	24
Eggs	160	13	54	13
Whole milk	160	8	285	9
Cherry pie	420	4	22	20
Pork with beans	260	14	80	19

**10 portions of pork with beans would cover her needs!
And would cost only 190. But ...**

Limits to What Polly Can Stomach

- Oatmeal: at most 4 servings a day.
- Chicken: at most 3 servings a day.
- Eggs: at most 2 servings a day.
- Milk: at most 8 servings a day.
- Cherry pie: at most 2 servings a day.
- Pork with beans: at most 2 servings a day.

8 servings of milk and 2 servings of cherry pie would meet her needs. Boring but she could stomach it. Especially since it would cost 112. Can she find a less expensive diet?

Variables

- X_1 : number of oatmeal servings.
- X_2 : number of chicken servings.
- X_3 : number of eggs servings.
- X_4 : number of milk servings.
- X_5 : number of cherry pie servings.
- X_6 : number of pork and pie servings.

Linear Constraints

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc}
 x_1 & & & & & & & & & \leq & 4 \\
 & x_2 & & & & & & & & \leq & 3 \\
 & & x_3 & & & & & & & \leq & 2 \\
 & & & x_4 & & & & & & \leq & 8 \\
 & & & & x_5 & & & & & \leq & 2 \\
 & & & & & x_6 & & & & \leq & 2 \\
 110x_1 & + & 205x_2 & + & 160x_3 & + & 160x_4 & + & 420x_5 & + & 260x_6 & \geq & 2000 \\
 4x_1 & + & 32x_2 & + & 13x_3 & + & 8x_4 & + & 4x_5 & + & 14x_6 & \geq & 55 \\
 2x_1 & + & 12x_2 & + & 54x_3 & + & 285x_4 & + & 22x_5 & + & 80x_6 & \geq & 800 \\
 x_1, & & x_2, & & x_3, & & x_4, & & x_5, & & x_6 & \geq & 0
 \end{array}$$

Linear Objective Function

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & 3x_1 + 24x_2 + 13x_3 + 9x_4 + 20x_5 + 19x_6 \\ \text{s.t.} & \text{linear constraints} \end{array}$$

- The value of the objective function for a particular set of values for $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6$ is called its **objective value**.
- If a particular set of values for $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6$ satisfies all constraints, it is said to be a **feasible solution** (dansk: tilladt løsning). The set of all feasible solutions is called the **feasible region** (dansk: tilladt område). It can be shown to be convex.
- A feasible solution that has the maximum (or minimum) objective value is called an **optimal solution**.

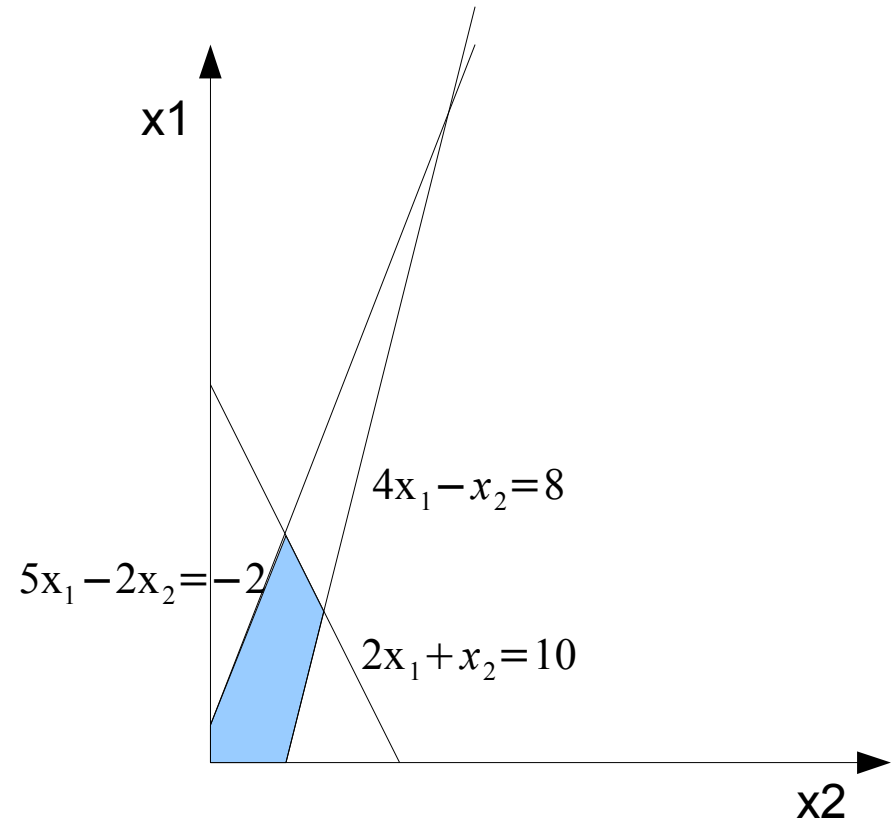
General LP Problem

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} & m \text{ linear constraints} \end{array}$$

- Minimization or maximization of a linear objective function with n real-valued variables.
- An optimal solution must satisfy m linear constraints (inequalities or equalities).
- Strict inequalities are not allowed.
- "programming" in "linear programming" does not refer to any code. It was chosen before computer programming was born.

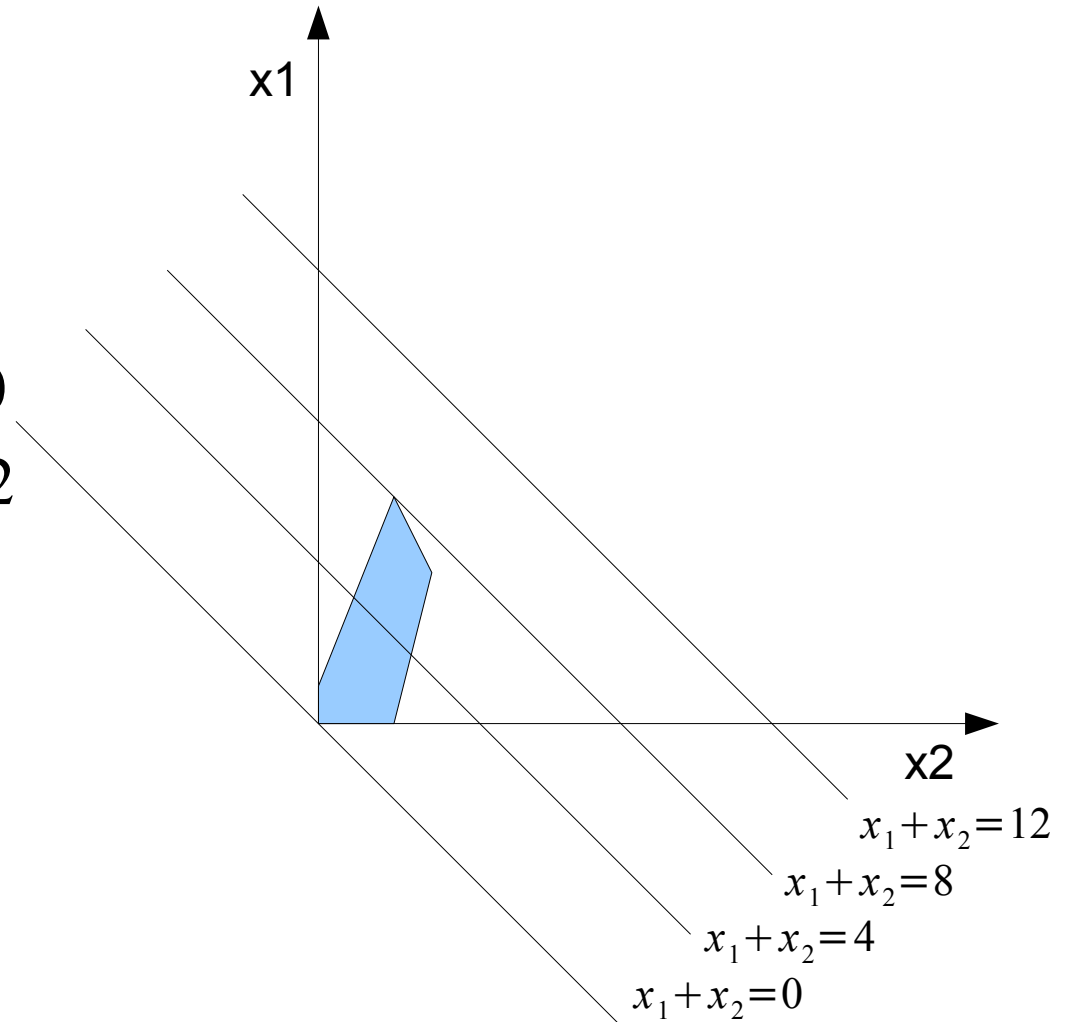
Geometric Interpretation

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \textit{max} & x_1 & + & x_2 & & \\ \textit{s.t.} & 4x_1 & - & x_2 & \leq & 8 \\ & 2x_1 & + & x_2 & \leq & 10 \\ & 5x_1 & - & 2x_2 & \geq & -2 \\ & x_1, & & x_2 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$



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Special Cases of LP

- LP may have no feasible solution (in case of conflicting constraints).
- LP may have feasible solutions but no optimal solution (in case of unboundedness).
- LP may have more than one optimal solution.

Geometric Interpretation in \mathbb{R}^3

- 3 variables.
- Each constraint defines a half-space in \mathbb{R}^3 . The set of feasible solutions is the intersection of these half-spaces. It is convex. Can be unbounded or empty.
- The set of points in which the objective function has the same value z is a plane.
- The value of the objective function increases as the plane is translated in one normal direction and it decreases as it is translated in the other normal direction.
- If the set of feasible solutions is bounded and not empty, then there is an optimal solution in an extreme vertex of the convex set of feasible solutions.

Geometric Interpretation in R^d

- d variables.
- Each constraint defines a half-space in R^d . The set of feasible solutions is the intersection of these half-spaces, called **simplex**. It is convex. Can be unbounded or empty.
- The set of points in which the objective function has the same value z is a **hyperplane**.
- The value of the objective function increases or decreases as the hyperplane is translated.
- If the set of feasible solutions is bounded and not empty, then there is an optimal solution in an extreme vertex of the simplex.

General Idea Behind SIMPLEX Algorithm

- SIMPLEX starts with a feasible solution corresponding to some vertex of the simplex. We will show how to find such a vertex (or decide that the feasible region is empty).
- SIMPLEX keeps "jumping" from a vertex of the simplex to a new vertex if the new vertex offers a feasible solution that is better (or at least not worse). We will show how SIMPLEX "jumps".
- When no more "jumps" are possible, we will show that SIMPLEX is in an optimal vertex (or the LP is unbounded)..

History of LP

- L.V. Kantorovich pointed out in 1939 the importance of restricted classes of LPs.
- T.C. Koopmans realized in 1947 the importance of LP for the analysis of classical economic theories.
- G.B. Dantzig designed in 1947 the simplex method to solve LP for U.S. Air Force. Not a polynomial algorithm!
- Many applications followed over the years.
- In 1975 Kantorovich and Koopmans got the Nobel prize.
- L.G. Khachian discovered first polynomial algorithm in 1979. Terribly slow.
- N. Karmarkar discovered second polynomial algorithm in 1984. Practical.

Applications of LP

- Scheduling problems: airline wishes to schedule its flight crews on all flights while using as few crew members as possible.
- Location problems: Locating drills to maximize the amount of oil that will be extracted under given budget constraints.
- Many network and graph problems can be formulated as LP.
- Integer programming problems.

Shortest Path as LP Problem

- **Given:** Weighted, directed graph $G = (V, E)$ with real-valued weights $w(u, v)$ on all edges $e = (u, v)$ in E , a source vertex s and a destination vertex t .
- **Find:** Shortest distance $d[t]$ from s to t .
- Bellman-Ford algorithm: $d[t]$ is the shortest distance from s to t if and only if
 - no edge $e = (u, v)$ can be relaxed: $d[v] \leq d[u] + w(u, v)$
 - $d[s] = 0$.

Shortest Path as LP

- maximize $d[t]$

subject to

$$d[v] \leq d[u] + w(u,v), \quad \forall (u,v) \in E.$$

$$d[s] = 0.$$

- In particular, at least one of the constraints $d[t] \leq d[u] + w(u,t)$, $(u,t) \in E$ must be tight. So we have to maximize $d[t]$

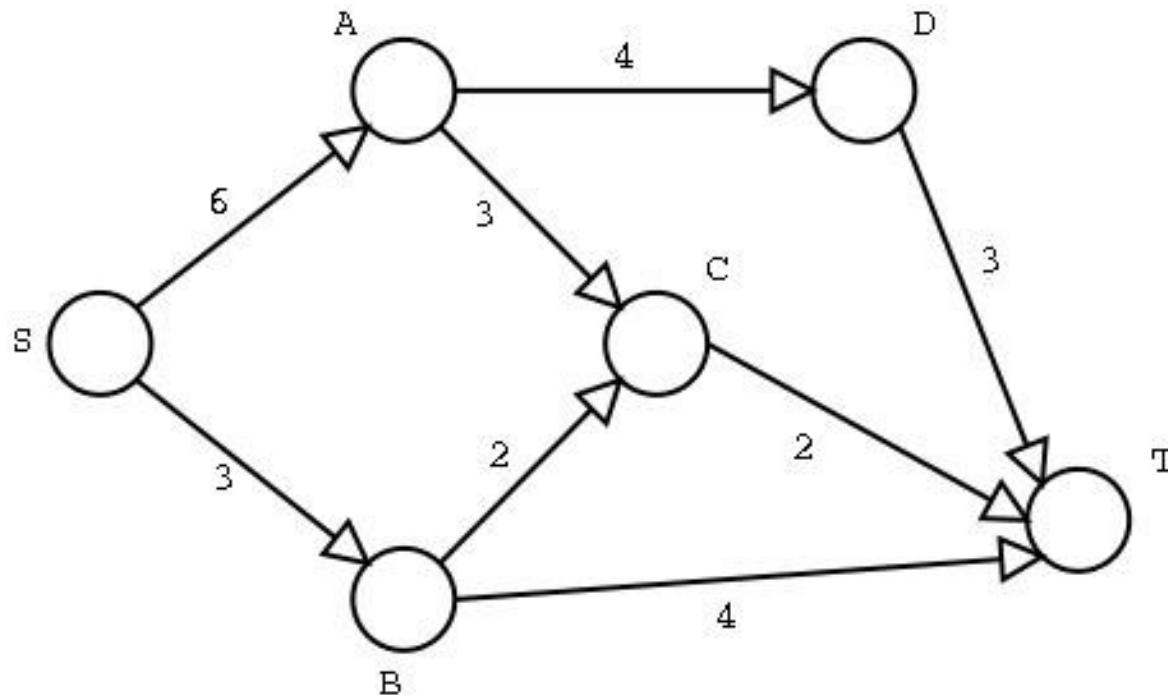
$$\max \quad x_t$$

$$s.t. \quad x_v \leq x_u + w_{uv}, \quad \forall (u,v) \in E$$

$$x_s = 0$$

Maximum Flow

- **Given:** A directed graph $G = (V, E)$ where each edge $(u, v) \in E$ has a real-valued, nonnegative capacity $c(u, v)$, a source vertex s and a destination vertex t .
- **Find:** A **maximum flow** $f: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ from s to t



Flow

- **Given:** A directed graph $G = (V, E)$ where each edge $(u, v) \in E$ has a real-valued, nonnegative **capacity** $c(u, v)$, a **source** vertex s and a **destination** vertex t .
- A **flow** from s to t in G is a real-valued function $f: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ satisfying:
 - Capacity constraints: $f(u, v) \leq c(u, v), \forall u, v \in V$.
 - Skew symmetry: $f(u, v) = -f(v, u), \forall u, v \in V$.
 - Flow conservation: $\sum_{v \in V} f(u, v) = 0, \forall u \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$
- Flow **value** $|f|$ is defined as

$$\sum_{v \in V} f(s, v)$$

Equivalent LPs

- Two maximization LPs L and L' are **equivalent** iff for each feasible solution \mathbf{x} to L with the objective value z , there is a corresponding feasible solution \mathbf{x}' to L' with the same objective value z , and vice versa.
- Similarly for two minimization LPs.
- A minimization LP L and a maximization LP L' are **equivalent** iff for each feasible solution \mathbf{x} to L with the objective value z , there is a corresponding feasible solution \mathbf{x}' to L' with the objective value $-z$.

LP in Standard Form

- Maximization of a linear function.
- n non-negative real-valued variables.
- m linear inequalities ("less than or equal to").

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

Converting LP into Standard Form

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \textit{min} & -2x_1 & + & 3x_2 & & \\ \textit{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x_2 & = & 7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x_2 & \leq & 4 \\ & & & x_1 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

- Minimization LP is converted to an equivalent maximization problem by negating the coefficients of the objective function.

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \textit{max} & 2x_1 & - & 3x_2 & & \\ \textit{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x_2 & = & 7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x_2 & \leq & 4 \\ & & & x_1 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

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- Every variable x_j without non-negativity constraint is replaced by two non-negative variables x'_j and x''_j and each occurrence of x_j is replaced by $x'_j - x''_j$.

$$\begin{array}{llllllll} \text{max} & 2x_1 & - & 3x'_2 & + & 3x''_2 & & \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x'_2 & - & x''_2 & = & 7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x'_2 & + & 2x''_2 & \leq & 4 \\ & x_1, & & x'_2, & & x''_2 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

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- Each equality constraint is replaced by a pair of "opposite" inequality constraints.

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \text{max} & 2x_1 & - & 3x'_2 & + & 3x''_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x'_2 & - & x''_2 & \leq & 7 \\ & x_1 & + & x'_2 & - & x''_2 & \geq & 7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x'_2 & + & 2x''_2 & \leq & 4 \\ & x_1, & & x'_2, & & x''_2 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

Converting LP into Standard Form

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- Inequalities are "turned around" by multiplying both sides by -1.

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \max & 2x_1 & - & 3x'_2 & + & 3x''_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x'_2 & - & x''_2 & \leq & 7 \\ & -x_1 & - & x'_2 & + & x''_2 & \leq & -7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x'_2 & + & 2x''_2 & \leq & 4 \\ & x_1, & & x'_2, & & x''_2 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

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- Renaming the variables

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \max & 2x_1 & - & 3x_2 & + & 3x_3 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 & + & x_2 & - & x_3 & \leq & 7 \\ & -x_1 & - & x_2 & + & x_3 & \leq & -7 \\ & x_1 & - & 2x_2 & + & 2x_3 & \leq & 4 \\ & x_1, & & x_2, & & x_3 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

LP in Standard Form

- n variables, m constraints

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,m \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1,2,\dots,n \end{aligned}$$

Slack Variables (Overskudsvariable)

- Consider one of the constraints, for example

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \leq 5$$

- For every feasible solution x_1, x_2, x_3 , the value of the left-hand side is at most the value of the right-hand side.
- Often there can be a **slack** between these two values.
- Denote the slack by x_4 .
- By requiring that $x_4 \geq 0$, we can replace the inequality by the equality

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 5$$

Slack Variables

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j + x_{n+i} = b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n+m \end{aligned}$$

LP in Slack Form

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j + x_{n+i} = b_i \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n+m \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad z &= \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{s.t.} \quad x_{n+i} &= b_i - \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \\ x_j &\geq 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, n+m \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z &= 0 + \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ x_{n+i} &= b_i - \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \quad \text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

Standard to Slack Form - Example

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{max} & 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 3x_3 \\
 \text{s.t.} & x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \leq 7 \\
 & -x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \leq -7 \\
 & x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 4
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{max} & 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 3x_3 \\
 \text{s.t.} & x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + x_4 = 7 \\
 & -x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_5 = -7 \\
 & x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 + x_6 = 4
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 z & = 0 + 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 3x_3 \\
 x_4 & = 7 - x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \\
 x_5 & = -7 + x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \\
 x_6 & = 4 - x_1 + 2x_2 - 2x_3
 \end{array}$$

Basic Solutions

- Any solution of LP in the standard form yields a solution of LP in the corresponding slack form (with the same objective value) and vice versa.
- Setting right-hand side variables of the slack form to 0 yields a **basic solution**.
- Left-hand side variables are called **basic**. Right-hand side variables are called **nonbasic**.
- The basic variables are said to constitute a **basis**.
- Note that a basic solution does not need to be feasible.

SIMPLEX – Example Continued

- LP in slack form:

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 0 + 3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \\x_4 &= 30 - x_1 - x_2 - 3x_3 \\x_5 &= 24 - 2x_1 - 2x_2 - 5x_3 \\x_6 &= 36 - 4x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3\end{aligned}$$

- Set all **nonbasic** variables (right-hand side) to 0.
- Compute values of **basic** variables: $x_4=30$, $x_5=24$, $x_6=36$.
- Compute the objective value z ($= 0$).
- This gives the feasible basic solution $(0,0,0,30,24,36)$.
- It is feasible; not always the case – we were lucky.

SIMPLEX: 1. Pivoting

- Can x_1 be increased without violating feasibility?

$$z = 0 + 3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3$$

$$x_4 = 30 - x_1 - x_2 - 3x_3$$

$$x_5 = 24 - 2x_1 - 2x_2 - 5x_3$$

$$x_6 = 36 - 4x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3$$

- If x_1 is increased to 1, then $x_4=29$, $x_5=22$, $x_6=32$ while $z=3$.
(1,0,0,29,22,32) is a feasible solution.
- If x_1 is increased to 2, then $x_4=28$, $x_5=20$, $x_6=28$ while $z=6$.
(2,0,0,28,20,28) is a feasible solution.
- If x_1 is increased to 3, then $x_4=27$, $x_5=18$, $x_6=24$ while $z=9$.
(3,0,0,27,18,24) is a feasible solution.

SIMPLEX: 1. Pivoting

- Can x_1 be increased without violating feasibility? By how much?

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 0 + 3x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \\x_4 &= 30 - x_1 - x_2 - 3x_3 \\x_5 &= 24 - 2x_1 - 2x_2 - 5x_3 \\x_6 &= 36 - 4x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3\end{aligned}$$

- If x_1 is increased beyond 30 then x_4 becomes negative.
- If x_1 is increased beyond 12 then x_5 becomes negative.
- If x_1 is increased beyond 9 then x_6 becomes negative.
- Constraint defining x_6 is **binding**.

SIMPLEX: 1. Pivoting

- So x_1 can be increased to 9 without losing feasibility. The feasible solution is $(9,0,0,21,6,0)$.
- We will now rewrite the slack form to an equivalent slack form with x_1, x_4, x_5 as basic variables and with $(9,0,0,21,6,0)$ being its feasible basic solution.
- This rewriting is called **pivoting**.
- Binding constraint defining x_6 is rewritten so that it has x_1 on its left-hand side.
- All occurrences of x_1 in other constraints and in the objective function are replaced by the right-hand side of the binding constraint.

SIMPLEX: 1. Pivoting

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 0 + 3(9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4) + x_2 + 2x_3 \\
 x_4 &= 30 - (9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4) - x_2 - 3x_3 \\
 x_5 &= 24 - 2(9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4) - 2x_2 - 5x_3 \\
 x_1 &= 9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 27 + x_2/4 + x_3/2 - 3x_6/4 \\
 x_4 &= 21 - 3x_2/4 - 5x_3/2 + x_6/4 \\
 x_5 &= 6 - 3x_2/2 - 4x_3 + x_6/2 \\
 x_1 &= 9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4
 \end{aligned}$$

New basic variables: $x_1=9$, $x_4=21$, $x_5=6$

New objective value $z = 27$

New feasible basic solution: (9,0,0,21,6,0)

SIMPLEX: 2. Pivoting

- Can x_3 be increased without violating feasibility? By how much?

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 27 + x_2/4 + x_3/2 - 3x_6/4 \\x_4 &= 21 - 3x_2/4 - 5x_3/2 + x_6/4 \\x_5 &= 6 - 3x_2/2 - 4x_3 + x_6/2 \\x_1 &= 9 - x_2/4 - x_3/2 - x_6/4\end{aligned}$$

- If x_3 is increased beyond $42/5$ then $x_4 < 0$.
- If x_3 is increased beyond $3/2$ then $x_5 < 0$.
- If x_3 is increased beyond $9/2$ then $x_1 < 0$.
- Constraint defining x_5 is binding.

SIMPLEX: 2. Pivoting

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 27 + x_2/4 + \frac{1}{2}(3/2 - 3x_2/8 + x_6/8 - x_5/4) - 3x_6/4 \\
 x_4 &= 21 - 3x_2/4 - \frac{5}{2}(3/2 - 3x_2/8 + x_6/8 - x_5/4) + x_6/4 \\
 x_3 &= 3/2 - 3x_2/8 - x_5/4 + x_6/8 \\
 x_1 &= 9 - x_2/4 - \frac{1}{2}(3/2 - 3x_2/8 + x_6/8 - x_5/4) - x_6/4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 111/4 + x_2/16 - x_5/8 - 11x_6/16 \\
 x_4 &= 69/4 + 3x_2/16 + 5x_5/8 - x_6/16 \\
 x_3 &= 3/2 - 3x_2/8 - x_5/4 + x_6/8 \\
 x_1 &= 33/4 - x_2/16 + x_5/8 - 5x_6/16
 \end{aligned}$$

New basic variables: $x_1=33/4$, $x_3=3/2$, $x_4=69/4$

New objective value $z = 27.75$

New feasible basic solution: $(33/4, 0, 3/2, 69/4, 0, 0)$

SIMPLEX: 3. Pivoting

- Can x_2 be increased without violating feasibility? By how much?

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 111/4 + x_2/16 - x_5/8 - 11x_6/16 \\x_4 &= 69/4 + 3x_2/16 + 5x_5/8 - x_6/16 \\x_3 &= 3/2 - 3x_2/8 - x_5/4 + x_6/8 \\x_1 &= 33/4 - x_2/16 + x_5/8 - 5x_6/16\end{aligned}$$

- If x_2 is increased then x_4 also increases.
- If x_2 is increased beyond 4 then $x_3 < 0$.
- If x_2 is increased beyond 132 then $x_1 < 0$.
- Constraint defining x_3 is binding.

SIMPLEX: 3.Pivoting

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 111/4 + \frac{1}{16}(4 - 8x_3/3 - 2x_5/3 + x_6/3) - x_5/8 - 11x_6/16 \\
 x_4 &= 69/4 + \frac{1}{16}(4 - 8x_3/3 - 2x_5/3 + x_6/3) + 5x_5/8 - x_6/16 \\
 x_2 &= 4 - 8x_3/3 - 2x_5/3 + x_6/3 \\
 x_1 &= 33/4 - \frac{1}{16}(4 - 8x_3/3 - 2x_5/3 + x_6/3) + x_5/8 - 5x_6/16
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 28 - x_3/6 - x_5/6 - 2x_6/3 \\
 x_4 &= 18 - x_3/2 + x_5/2 + 0x_6 \\
 x_2 &= 4 - 8x_3/3 - 2x_5/3 + x_6/3 \\
 x_1 &= 8 + x_3/6 + x_5/6 - x_6/3
 \end{aligned}$$

New basic variables: $x_1=8$, $x_2=4$, $x_4=18$

New objective value $z = 28$

New feasible basic solution: $(8, 4, 0, 18, 0, 0)$ is optimal

Pivoting in General

- PIVOT(N, B, A, b, c, v, l, e)
 - Compute the coefficients of the bounding constraint so that the **entering** basic variable x_e is expressed as a linear combination of the other variables.

$$b_e = b_l / a_{le} \quad a_{ej} = a_{lj} / a_{le}, \quad \forall j \in N \setminus e \quad a_{el} = 1 / a_{le}$$

- Compute the coefficients of the remaining constraints and the objective function (by substituting x_e by the right-hand side of the rewritten binding equation).

$$b_i = b_i - a_{ie} b_e, \quad \forall i \in B \setminus l \quad a_{ij} = a_{ij} - a_{ie} a_{ej}, \quad \forall j \in N \setminus e \quad a_{il} = -a_{ie} a_{el}$$

$$v = v + c_e b_e \quad c_j = c_j - c_e a_{ej}, \quad \forall j \in N \setminus e \quad c_l = -c_e a_{el}$$

- Compute new sets of basic and nonbasic variables (remove x_e from N and add it to B , remove x_l from B and add it to N).

SIMPLEX – Open Issues

- How to decide that LP is feasible?
- What to do if the initial basic solution is infeasible?
- How to decide that LP is unbounded?
- How to select entering and leaving variables?
- Does SIMPLEX terminate?
- Does it terminate with an optimal solution?