## Problem 2.2:

Theorem: Let Z be an  $n \times r$  null-space matrix for the matrix A. If Y is any invertible  $r \times r$  matrix,  $\hat{Z} = ZY$  is also a null-space matrix for A.

Proof: Given that Z is an  $n \times r$  null-space matrix for matrix A, we know that AZ = 0, we also know that Y is an invertible matrix. We need to show that  $A\hat{Z} = 0$  or AZY = 0 for  $\hat{Z} = ZY$  to be a null-space matrix for A. Consider the following:

$$A\hat{Z} = A(ZY)$$

$$A(ZY) = (AZ)Y$$

$$A(ZY) = 0Y$$

$$AZY = 0 \text{ or } A\hat{Z} = 0$$

Thus proving  $\hat{Z} = ZY$  is also a null-space matrix for A.

**Problem 3.1:** We will compute a basis for the null space for the following matrices(Denoted with A) using variable reduction:

{i}

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R_1 - R_2 \to R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{R_2}{2} + R_3 \to R_3$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$$
  $-2x_2 - 2x_3 = 0$   $-x_3 + x_4 = 0$   $x_4 = x_4$   $x_4 = t$   $x_3 = t$   $x_2 = -t$   $x_1 = -t$ 

Thus 
$$\operatorname{null}(\mathbf{A}) = t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 for  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ 

{ii}

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$$

$$x_2 = x_2$$

$$x_3 = t$$

$$x_4 = x_4$$

$$x_2 = s$$

$$x_3 = t$$

$$x_4 = u$$

$$x_1 = -s - t - u$$

Thus null(A) = 
$$s \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + u \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 for  $s, t, u \in \mathbb{R}$ 

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad R_1 - R_2 \to R_2$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0 \qquad 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 0 \qquad x_3 = s \qquad x_4 = t$$

$$x_2 = -x_3 = -s \qquad x_1 - s + s + t = 0 \qquad x_1 = s - s - t \qquad x_1 = -t$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 7 & [-1] \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus null(A) = 
$$s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 for  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ 

## $\{iv\}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \frac{R_2}{2} - R_3 \to R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad 2R_1 - R_2 \to R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \frac{R_2}{2} + R_3 \to R_3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad \frac{R_2}{2} \to R_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \qquad R_2 - R_1 \to R_1$$

$$x_1 + x_4 = 0$$
  $x_2 + x_3 = 0$   $x_3 = s$   $x_4 = t$   $x_4 = t$ 

Thus null(A) = 
$$s \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 for  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ 

**Problem 3.3** For the following problem we use  $p_2$  and  $p_3$  as our basic variables for A and we attempt the same with  $p_1$  and  $p_4$ 

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_1 + 2p_2 + 2p_4 = 0 2p_1 + p_2 + 2p_3 + 4p_4 = 0 p_1 = -2p_2 - 2p_4$$
$$-4p_2 - 4p_4 + p_2 + 2p_3 + 4p_4 = 0 -3p_2 + 2p_3 = 0 p_2 = \frac{2}{3}p_3$$
$$p_1 = -\frac{4}{3}p_3 - 2p_4$$

Since  $p_2 = \frac{2}{3}p_3$  We end up using  $p_4$  as our free variable

$$\operatorname{null}(A) = p_3 \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + p_4 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the second part of the problem we consider  $p_1$  and  $p_4$  as our free variables, we similarly reduce and substitute to get our vectors:

$$p_1 + 2p_2 + 2p_4 = 0 2p_1 + p_2 + 2p_3 + 4p_4 = 0 p_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(p_1 + 2p_4)$$

$$2p_1 - \frac{1}{2}p_1 - p_4 + 2p_3 + 4p_4 = 0 \frac{3}{2}p_1 + 2p_3 + 3p_4 = 0 2p_3 = -\frac{3}{2} - 3p_4$$

$$p_3 = -\frac{3}{4}p_1 - \frac{3}{2}p_4$$

We can construct our solution with our  $p_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(p_1 + 2p_4)$  and  $p_3 = -\frac{3}{4}p_1 - \frac{3}{2}p_4$ 

$$\operatorname{null}(A) = p_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{3}{4} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + p_4 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -\frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So we can actually do it with  $p_1$  and  $p_4$  as basic variables.

**Problem 3.4** Theorem: Let A be an  $m \times n$  matrix of full row rank. The matrix  $AA^T$  is positive definite and so its inverse exists.

Proof: We want to show that  $x^T A A^T x > 0$  (using the definition of positive definite) for some non-zero vector  $x \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , first we note that  $AA^T$  is symmetric:

$$(AA^T)^T = (A^T)^T A^T = AA^T$$

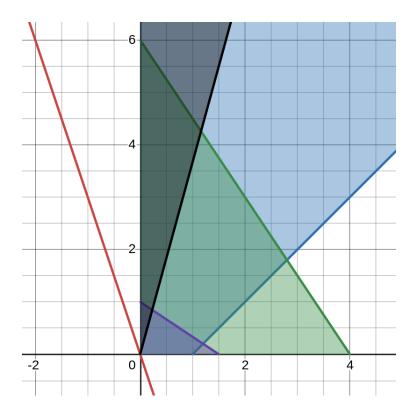
Now we consider the the case of  $x^T A A^T x$ 

$$\boldsymbol{x}^T \boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^T \boldsymbol{x} = (\boldsymbol{A}^T \boldsymbol{x})^T (\boldsymbol{A}^T \boldsymbol{x}) = ||\boldsymbol{A}^T \boldsymbol{x}||^2$$

This is because the product of a vector and its transpose is the squared norm which is always positive. In our case as long as x is a non-zero vector,  $x^T A A^T x$  is positive definite and thus invertible.

 $\bf problem~1.1$  We solve the following linear programs graphically:  $\{i\}$ 

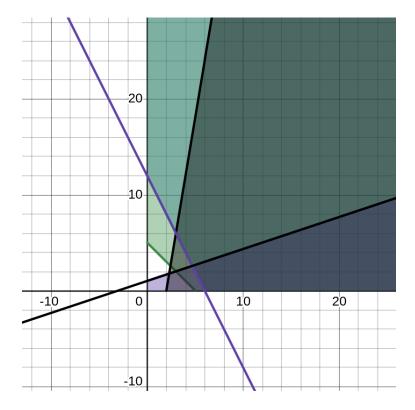
minimize 
$$z = 3x_1 + x_2$$
  
subject to  $x_1 - x_2 \le 1$   
 $3x_1 + 2x_2 \le 12$   
 $2x_1 + 3x_2 \le 3$   
 $-2x_1 + 3x_2 \ge 9$   
 $x_1, x_2 \ge 0$ 



Our red line is our objective function for z = 0 within the boundary of our feasible set, the dark triangle in our graph, our minimum is 0 with our minimizer being  $(0,0)^T$ .

 $\{ii\}$ 

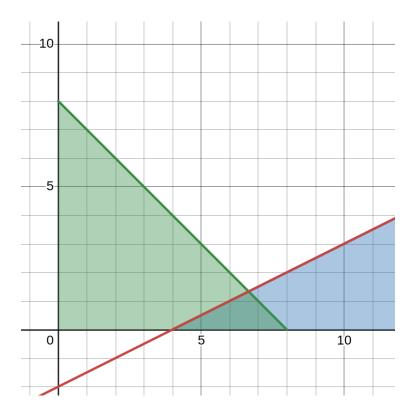
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize} & z = x_1 + 2x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & 2x_1 + x_2 \geq 12 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \geq 5 \\ & -x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 3 \\ & 6x_1 - x_2 \geq 12 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{array}$$



Our solution to this problem is bound by the constraint  $-x_1 + 3x_2 \le 3$ , Giving us our maximum value z=3 along the line  $-x_1 + 3x_2 = 3$ . Our solution set ends up being  $p_2 = \frac{p_1}{3} + 1$  for  $p_1 \ge \frac{33}{7}$  and  $p_2 \ge \frac{18}{7}$ .

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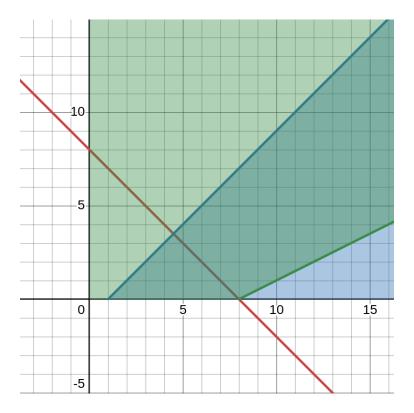
$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & z=x_1-2x_2\\ \text{subject to} & x_1-2x_2\geq 4\\ & x_1+x_2\leq 8\\ & x_1,x_2\geq 0 \end{array}$$



Our red line is our objective function for z=4 and our feasible set is the darker green shaded triangle in our figure. our minimum value ends up being 4 with our minimizer being the set of points along the red line on the triangle. the point  $(4,0)^t$  is on the vertex is in our solution set for example. our solution set ends up being  $p_2 = \frac{p_1}{2} - 2$  for  $p_1 \in [4, \frac{20}{3}]$  and  $p_2 \in [0, \frac{4}{3}]$ .

 $\{iv\}$ 

minimize 
$$z=-x_1-x_2$$
  
subject to  $x_1-x_2\geq 1$   
 $x_1-2x_2\leq 8$   
 $x_1,x_2\geq 0$ 

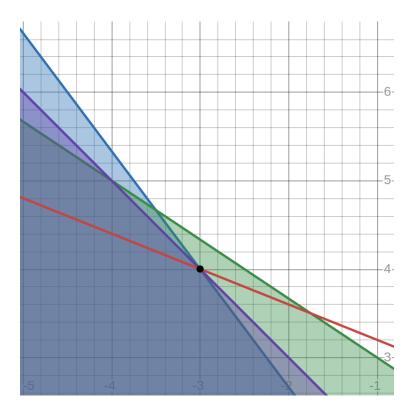


Our red line is our objective function for z=-8, our minimum ends up being -8 with our minimizer being  $(8,0)^T$ 

**Problem 1.2** We are tasked with finding all values a such that  $(-3,4)^T$  us the optimal solution of the following problem:

maximize 
$$z = ax_1 + (2-a)x_2$$
 subject to 
$$4x_1 + 3x_2 \le 0$$
 
$$2x_1 + 3x_2 \le 7$$
 
$$x_1 + x_2 \le 1$$

We graph the function below



Our red line is objective function with  $a=\frac{4}{7}$  and our, we found this a by plotting our point  $(-3,4)^T$  and walking along a values. We find that our z grows larger and larger below that value of a. The range of a that maximizes our objective function for the given point we find is  $a\in(-\infty,\frac{4}{7}]$ .

**Problem P8** For this problem we take our matrix from 3.1 and verify using octave.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$