

# Lecture 6

## Regular Simplex Method

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## Standard Form

Introduction :

- A linear program (LP) that appears in a particular form where all constraints are equations and all variables are nonnegative is said to be in standard form.

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## 1. Nonnegativity Conditions

1- all variables in the program must be nonnegative.

a) if any variable  $x_4$  is negative ~~x~~  
then we replace  $x_5 = -x_4$ ;  $x_5 \geq 0$

b) if any variable not already constrained to be nonnegative is replaced by the difference of two new variables which are nonnegative.

if  $x_i$  is unrestricted

put  $x_i = x_j - x_k$   $x_j \neq x_k \geq 0$

2- the right-hand side of all constraints must be non-negative, if this condition is not satisfied we multiply the constraint by (-1)

ex:

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + 4x_3 \leq -5 \quad \times (-1)$$

$$-2x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 \geq 5 \quad \text{which has non-negative R.H.S.}$$

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## 2- Converting all inequalities into Equations (introduce slack and Surplus Variable)

1- A linear constraint of the form:  $\sum a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i$

Can be converted into an equality by adding a new nonnegative variable to the LHS of the inequality. Such a variable is numerically equal to the difference between R.H.S and L.H.S of the inequality and is known as Slack Variable.

ex:

$$\text{Min: } Z = 3x_1 + x_2 + 0s_1$$

Sub to:

$$5x_1 + 7x_2 \leq 4$$

$$5x_1 + 7x_2 + s_1 = 4 \quad ; s_1 \text{ slack}$$

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2- A linear Constraint of the form  $\sum a_{ij}x_j \geq b_i$  can be converted into an equality by subtracting a new non-negative variable from the L.H.S of the constraint. Such a variable is numerically equal to the difference between the L and R.H.S. sides of the inequality and is known as Surplus Variable.

ex:

$$\text{Min: } Z = 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 0s_2$$

Sub To:

$$x_1 - x_2 \geq 5$$

$$x_1 - x_2 - s_2 = 5$$

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### 3- Introduce Artificial Variables:

we will add the artificial variable to all (=) and ( $\geq$ ) Constraints To play the role of slacks at the First iteration and then dispose of them legitimately at a later iteration. Two closely related methods are introduced: M-method and two phase method.

in M-method: The M-method starts with all Constraints ( $\leq$ ). if equation  $i$  does not have a slack, an artificial variable  $R_i$  is added to form a starting Soln. However, because the AV. are not part of the LP model, they are assigned to a very high penalty in the obj. f. This forcing them (eventually) to equal to zero in the optimum solution. This will be always the case if the problem has a feasible Soln.

System is infeasible if  $\infty$  = all artificial variables are non-zero. Consistent if  $\infty$  is not reached. Inconsistent if  $\infty$  is reached and some artificial variables are non-zero.

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### Penalty rule for Artificial Variables.

Given  $M$ : is a sufficiently large positive value ( $M \gg 0$ )  
The objective coefficient of the Artificial variable is

$-M$ : in maximization problem

$M$ : in minimization problem

$M$ : is a number three or four times larger in magnitude than any other number in the program

System is feasible if  $\text{artificial variables} = 0$    
 if  $\text{artificial variables} > 0$  then system is inconsistent   
 if  $\text{artificial variables} = 0$  then system is consistent

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### Standard form:

A linear program is in standard form if the constraints are all modeled as equalities, and if one feasible soln is known. Standard Form is

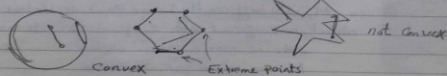
$$\begin{cases} \text{Optimize: } z = C^T x \\ \text{Subject to: } Ax = B \\ \text{with: } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

In Regular Simplex Method we have to start the method by initial Basic feasible Soln:

So we have first understand what we mean by Basic feasible Soln. To do we have first to learn some important definitions

### Convex Set:

A Set of multidimensional Vectors is Convex, if whenever two vectors belong to the Set then so too does the line segment between the vectors.



### Extreme Point

A vector  $P$  is an extreme point of a Convex set if it can't be expressed as a convex combination of two other two vectors in the Set. That is an extreme point does not lie on the line segment between any other two vectors in the Set.

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Basic Solution ( $m \leq n$ )

if we have  $m$  constraints and  $n$  variables, if we set  $n-m$  var equal to zero, and then solve the remaining  $m$  constraints for the remaining  $m$  variables, the resulting soln, (if unique) is **Basic Solution** and must correspond to a (**feasible or infeasible**) **Corner point** of the soln space, the max number of Corner point is  $\binom{n}{m}$ .

$$C_m^n = \frac{n!}{m! (n-m)!} = \frac{3!}{2! (3-2)!} = \frac{3!}{2! \cdot 1!} = \frac{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{2 \cdot 1} = 3$$

For  $n=3, m=2$ , the corner points are  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  where  $x_3=0$  and  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ . The corner points are  $(0, 0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0, 0)$ , and  $(0, 1, 0)$ .

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The Zero  $n-m$  variables are known as (non-basic variables).  
The remaining  $m$  variables are (Basic Variables).  
So we can identify the initial Basic soln by putting a slack or artificial var. = R.H.S. these variables are the number of these var. = the number of constraints =  $m$  and all the remaining var (non-basic) = zero.

Example: <sup>4)</sup> Put the following program in standard form

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{max: } Z = x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{subto: } \begin{array}{l} x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 5 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 4 \end{array} \end{array} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{max } Z = x_1 + x_2 + 0s_1 + 0s_2 \\ \text{subto: } \begin{array}{l} x_1 + 5x_2 + s_1 = 5 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + s_2 = 4 \end{array} \end{array} \right.$$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$                        $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

1. ~~X~~ the IBFS:  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$ ,  $s_1 = 5$ ,  $s_2 = 4$

$$X = [x, x_1, s, s_2] \quad C = [1, 1, 0, 0]^T$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = X_0 = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example (2):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{max: } & z = 5x_1 + 2x_2 \\ \text{Sub To: } & 6x_1 + x_2 \geq 6 \quad \rightarrow (1) \\ & 4x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 12 \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 = 4 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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1) non-negativity condition  
 let  $x_2 = x_3 - x_4$  /  $x_3, x_4 \geq 0$   
 multiply eq 1 by (-)

→ max:  $Z = 5x_1 + 2x_3 - 2x_4$   
 → Sub To:

$$-6x_1 + x_3 + x_4 = 6$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_3 - 3x_4 \geq 12$$

$$x_1 + 2x_3 - 2x_4 = 4$$

$$x_1, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$

2) introduce Slack and Surplus Var.)

max:  $Z = 5x_1 + 2x_3 - 2x_4 + 0s_1 + 0s_2 - MA_1 - MA_2$   
 Sub to:

$$-6x_1 - x_3 + x_4 + s_1 = 6$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_3 - 3x_4 - s_2 + A_1 = 12$$

$$x_1 + 2x_3 - 2x_4 + A_2 = 4$$

$$x_1 \geq 0$$

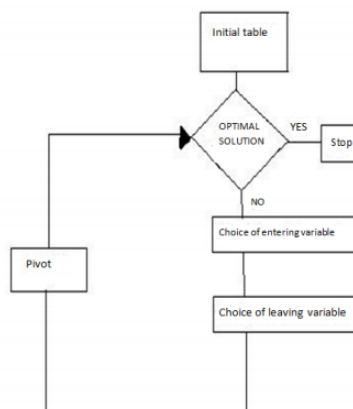
IBFS

$$B_1 = 6, A_1 = 12, A_2 = 4$$

$$x_1 = x_3 = x_4 = s_2 = 0$$

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## THE STEPS OF THE SIMPLEX ALGORITHM



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optimize:  $z = C^T x$   
 subject to:  $AX = B$   
 $x \geq 0$   
 where  $B \geq 0$ , BS  $x_0$  is known

For minimization Problem:

	$x^T$	
	$C^T$	0
$\geq \rightarrow x_0$	$A$	$B$
$H$	$C^T - C_0^T A$	$-C_0^T B$
	$\max: C_0^T A - C^T$	

The Simplex method:

Step 1: Locate the most negative number in the bottom row of the Simplex tableau, excluding the last column, and call the column in which this number appears the work column.

Remark: If more than one candidate for most negative exist, choose one.

Step 2: Form ratios by dividing each positive number in the work column, excluding the last row, into the element in the ~~last~~ <sup>same</sup> row and last column. Designate the element in the work column that yield the smallest ratio as the pivot element.

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- if more than one element yield the same smallest ratio  $\Rightarrow$  choose one.

- if no element in the work column is positive  $\Rightarrow$  the program has no solution.   
 \*indefinite soln

Step 3: Use elementary row operations to convert the pivot element to 1 and then reduce all other elements in the work column to 0.

EV and DV

Step 4: replace the x-variable in the pivot row and first column by the x-var in the first row and pivot column.   
 this new first column is the current set of basic variables

Step 5: Repeat step 1-4 until there are no negative number in the last row, excluding the last column.

Step 6: the optimal solution  $z^*$ , is the number of in the last row and last column for a maximization program, but the negative of this number for minimization program.

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**Example:**

maximize:  $Z = x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3$   
 Sub To:  
 $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 9$   
 $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 15$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$

max:  $Z = x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3 + 0s_1 + 0s_2$   
 Sub To:  
 $x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + s_1 = 9$   
 $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + s_2 = 15$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$

EV

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$s_1$	$s_2$	
$C^T$	1	9	1	0	0	
$D.V$						
$x_1$	1	2	3	1	0	9
$x_2$	3	2	2	0	1	15
$R_2 - 3R_1$	-2	-4	-7	-3	1	-12

max  $Z = C^T A^{-1} b = 9$   
 $\rightarrow 9$  is the max value

all  $\geq 0 \Rightarrow$  optimal

denot = pivot -  $P_1, P_2$   
 pivot

$S_2 = 6 \Rightarrow$  this mean that the second constraint is strictly <

$Z = 9x_2, x_1 = 0, x_3 = 0$   
 $Z = 0 + 9x_2 + 0$   
 $= 9x_2$

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## Unbounded Solution

Unbounded Solution

in some LP models, the values of the variables may be increased indefinitely without violating any of the constraints meaning that the solution space is unbounded in at least one variable. As a result, the objective value may increase (max case) or decrease (min. case) indefinitely. In this case, both the solution space and the optimum objective value are unbounded.

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## Example

Ex:  $\max Z = 2x_1 + 10x_2 + x_3$   
 Sub to:  
 $3x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 50$   
 $x_1 + x_2 \leq 10$   
 $x_1 - x_2 + 4x_3 \leq 20$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$

Unbounded

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_3$	
$Z$	2	10	1	0	0	0	
$S_1$	3	-3	5	1	0	0	50
$S_2$	1	1	0	0	1	0	10
$S_3$	1	-1	4	0	0	1	20
$\theta$	10	-10	-1	0	0	0	

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$S_3$	
$S_1$	0	-3	5	1	0	0	20
$x_1$	1	0	1	0	1	0	10
$S_3$	0	-1	0	0	1	1	10
$\theta$	0	-19	19	0	20	0	

no positive ratio

This means that there is no leaving variable and that  $x_2$  can be increased indefinitely without violating any of the constraints.  
 An infinite increase in  $x_2$  leads to an infinite increase in  $Z$ , thus, the problem has unbounded solution.

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## Example including Artificial Variable

Example (a)

Minimize  $Z = 2x_1 + 3x_2$   
 Sub to:  
 $x_1 + x_2 \geq 5$   
 $x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 6$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

Min:  $Z = 2x_1 + 3x_2 + Mx_3 + Mx_4$   
 Sub to:  
 $x_1 + x_2 - S_1 + A_1 = 5$   
 $x_1 + 2x_2 - S_2 + A_2 = 6$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$A_1$	$A_2$	
$Z$	2	3	0	0	$M$	$M$	
$A_1$	1	1	-1	0	1	0	5
$A_2$	1	2	0	-1	0	1	6
$\theta$	5	3	-1	0	1	0	

$Z = 2M - 3M + 5M = 2M$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$S_1$	$S_2$	$A_1$	
$A_1$	0	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	2
$x_2$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	3
$\theta$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$S_1$	$S_2$	
$x_1$	1	0	-2	1	4
$x_2$	0	1	1	-1	1
$\theta$	0	0	1	1	11

$Z_{min} = 11$

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## Example including Artificial Variable

$\text{Max: } Z = 3x_1 - x_2$   
 $\text{Subj to: } 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2$   
 $x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 3$   
 $x_2 \leq 4$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

$\text{Max: } Z = 3x_1 - x_2$   
 $\text{Subj to: } 2x_1 + x_2 + s_1 = 2$   
 $x_1 + 3x_2 - s_2 + A_1 = 3$   
 $x_2 + s_3 = 4$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$A_1$	
$S_{10}$	2	1	1	0	0	0	2
$A_{10}$	1	3	0	-1	0	1	3
$S_{20}$	0	1	0	0	1	0	4
$M_{10}$	0	0	0	1	0	0	0

$\frac{1}{2} R_1$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	
$S_1$	1	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1
$x_2$	$\frac{1}{3}$	1	0	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	1
$S_3$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	0	$-\frac{1}{3}$	1	3
$M_1$	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	0

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	
$x_1$	1	0	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	0	$\frac{3}{5}$
$x_2$	0	1	$-\frac{1}{5}$	$-\frac{2}{5}$	0	$\frac{4}{5}$
$S_3$	0	0	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{7}{5}$	1	$\frac{16}{5}$
$M$	0	0	2	1	0	0

$x_1 = \frac{3}{5}$   
 $x_2 = \frac{4}{5}$   
 $s_1 = \frac{16}{5}$   
 $s_2 = 0$   
 $s_3 = 0$   
 $A_1 = 0$

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## No Solution case

**No Solution**

$\text{Max: } Z = 5x_1 + 3x_2$   
 $\text{Subj to: } 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 1$   
 $x_1 + 4x_2 \geq 6$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

$\text{Max: } Z = 5x_1 + 3x_2 + 0s_1 + 0s_2 + M_1$   
 $\text{Subj to: } 2x_1 + x_2 + s_1 = 1$   
 $x_1 + 4x_2 - s_2 + A_1 = 6$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$A_1$	
$S_{10}$	2	1	1	0	0	1
$A_{10}$	1	4	0	-1	1	6
$M_{10}$	0	0	0	1	0	0

$M - 5(A_{10})$

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$A_1$	
$x_2$	2	1	1	0	0	1
$A_1$	-7	0	-4	-1	1	2
$M$	0	0	0	1	0	0

$A_1 = 2$   
 $x_2 = 1$

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