

ISE 426

Optimization models and applications

Lecture 4 — September 9, 2013

- ▶ Linear programming: more examples
- ▶ Basic properties of LP problems

Reading: WV p. 56.

Homework #1 will be out after class! It is due **Tuesday, September 16**. Check the CourseSite.

LP example #3: Short term financial planning¹

- ▶ Your company makes tape recorders (TR) and radios (RD).
- ▶ Returns are:
TR: $100\$ (\text{price}) - 50\$ (\text{labor}) - 30\$ (\text{raw m.}) = 20\$$
RD: $90\$ (\text{price}) - 35\$ (\text{labor}) - 40\$ (\text{raw m.}) = 15\$$
- ▶ Raw material is sufficient to produce 100 TRs and 100 RDs

¹See Winston & Venkataramanan, page 82.

LP example #3: Short term financial planning

Balance sheet (today):	Assets	Liabilities
Cash	\$10,000	
Accts. recv.	\$3,000	
Inv. outst.	\$7,000 ²	
Bank loan		\$10,000

Before the end of the month,

- ▶ we will collect soon \$2,000 of accts.
- ▶ we will receive new inventory worth \$2000
- ▶ we must pay \$1,000 of loan and another \$1,000 for rental
- ▶ management: “on 09/30 cash has to be at least \$4,000”
- ▶ bank requires that assets / liability ratio be at least 2

⇒ How many TRs and RDs do we produce this month to maximize return?

²\$7000 = \$30 × 100 + \$40 × 100.

LP example #3: Short term financial planning

- ▶ return on each TR is \$20, RD is \$15
- ▶ suppose t is #TR and r is #RD
- ▶ Balance sheet in a month:

BS (09/30):	Assets	Liabilities
Cash	\$10,000	
	$+\$2,000 - \$1,000 - \$1,000$	
	$-\$50t - \$35r$	
Accts. recv.	\$3,000	
	$-\$2,000 + \$100t + \$90r$	
Inv. outst.	\$7,000	
	$+\$2,000 - \$30t - \$40r$	
Bank loan		\$10,000
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Inv. outst.	$\$9,000 - \$30t - \$40r$	
Bank loan		$\$11,000$

- ▶ Cash $\geq \$4,000$ means $\$10,000 - \$50t - \$35r \geq \$4,000$
 $\Rightarrow \$50t + \$35r \leq \$6,000$
- ▶ Ratio ≥ 2 means $\frac{\text{Cash} + \text{Accts. recv.} + \text{Inv. outst.}}{\text{Bank loan}} \geq 2$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\$20,000 + \$20t + \$15r}{\$11,000} \geq 2$
 $\Rightarrow \$20,000 + \$20t + \$15r \geq \$22,000$
 $\Rightarrow \$20t + \$15r \geq \$2,000$

LP example #3: Short term financial planning

$$\begin{array}{llll} \max & \$20t & +15r & \\ & \$50t & +\$35r & \leq \$6,000 \\ & \$20t & +\$15r & \geq \$2,000 \\ & t & & \leq 100 \\ & & r & \leq 100 \\ & t, & r & \geq 0 \end{array}$$

LP example #4: Project selection⁴

We have 5 investment opportunities over a 2-year term.

- ▶ i.e., we'll invest in the same funds this and next year
- ▶ each has two cash outflows, for 2009 and for 2010, and
- ▶ a Net Present Value (NPV)³
- ▶ available cash: 40 M\$ this year, estimate 20 M\$ next year

Investment	1	2	3	4	5
(a_i) Cash outflow, 2009	11	53	5	5	29
(b_i) 2010	3	6	5	1	34
(v_i) NPV	13	16	16	14	39

What investment(s) get the **maximum** total NPV? What percentage of each?

³The amount by which the investment will increase the company's value.

⁴Winston&Venkataramanan, example 10, page 80.

LP example #4: Project selection

- ▶ **Variables:** for each opportunity $1, 2, \dots, 5$, the percentage of investment: $x_i \in [0, 1] \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, 5$
- ▶ **Constraints:** limited cash to expend in 2009 and in 2010:

$$\sum_{i=1}^5 a_i x_i \leq 40 \qquad \sum_{i=1}^5 b_i x_i \leq 20$$

- ▶ **Objective function:** the total NPV (to be maximized)

$$\sum_{i=1}^5 v_i x_i$$

LP example #4: Project selection

$$\begin{array}{llllll} \max & 13x_1 & +16x_2 & +16x_3 & +14x_4 & +39x_5 \\ & 11x_1 & +53x_2 & +5x_3 & +5x_4 & +29x_5 & \leq 40 \\ & 3x_1 & +6x_2 & +5x_3 & +1x_4 & +34x_5 & \leq 20 \\ & x_1, & x_2, & x_3, & x_4, & x_5 & \in [0, 1] \end{array}$$

Example: Transportation problem

- ▶ A large manufacturing company produces liquid nitrogen in **five** plants spread out in East Pennsylvania
- ▶ Each plant has a monthly production capacity

Plant	i	1	2	3	4	5
Capacity	p_i	120	95	150	120	140

- ▶ It has **seven** retailers in the same area
- ▶ Each retailer has a monthly demand to be satisfied

Retailer	j	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Demand	d_j	55	72	80	110	85	30	78

- ▶ transportation between any plant i and any retailer j has a cost of c_{ij} dollars per volume unit of nitrogen
 - ▶ c_{ij} is **constant** and depends on the distance between i and j
- ⇒ find how much nitrogen to be transported from each plant to each retailer
- ▶ ... while minimizing the total transportation cost

Transportation model

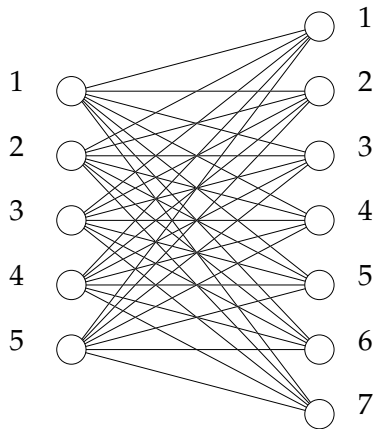
Variables: qty from plant i to retailer j : x_{ij} (non-negative)

Constraints:

1. capacity: $\sum_{j=1}^7 x_{ij} \leq p_i \quad \forall i$

2. demand: $\sum_{i=1}^5 x_{ij} \geq d_j \quad \forall j$

Objective function: total transportation cost,
$$\sum_{i=1}^5 \sum_{j=1}^7 c_{ij} x_{ij}$$



Graphical solution of LP problems

Consider an LP problem with m constraints and **two variables**.

$$\begin{array}{llll} \min & c_1x_1 & +c_2x_2 & \\ & a_{11}x_1 & +a_{12}x_2 & \leq b_1 \\ & a_{21}x_1 & +a_{22}x_2 & \leq b_2 \\ & \vdots & & \\ & a_{m1}x_1 & +a_{m2}x_2 & \leq b_m \end{array}$$

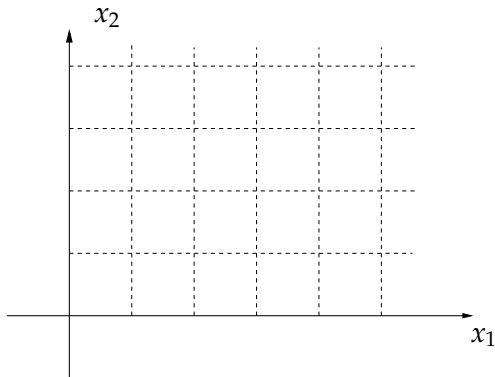
- ▶ the objective function is associated with vector (c_1, c_2) in \mathbb{R}^2
- ▶ lines defined by $c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 = c_0$ correspond to solutions with **the same objective function**, c_0
- ▶ “ \leq ” and “ \geq ” constraints (i.e., *inequality* constraints) are associated with a **half-plane** of \mathbb{R}^2
- ▶ “ $=$ ” constraints (or *equality* constraints) are associated with a **line** on the \mathbb{R}^2 plane.

Graphical solution of LP problems

Intersect **all** constraints \Rightarrow the feasible set is a **polyhedron**.

\Rightarrow Solve \equiv find the point(s) with minimum $c_1x_1 + c_2x_2$.

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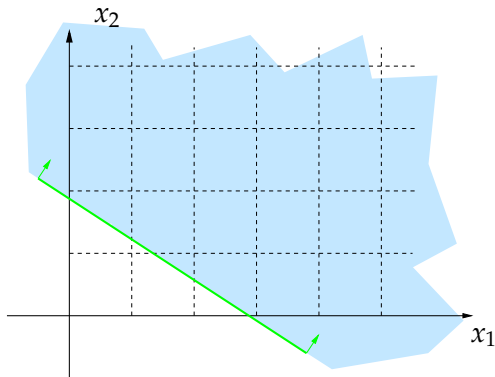


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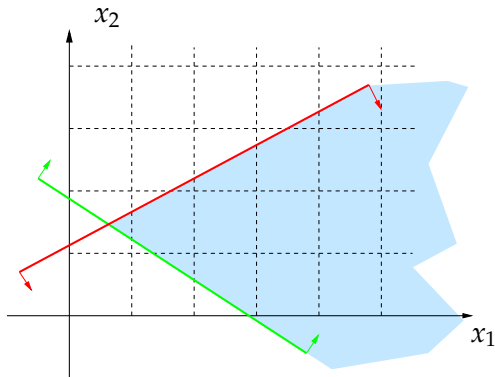


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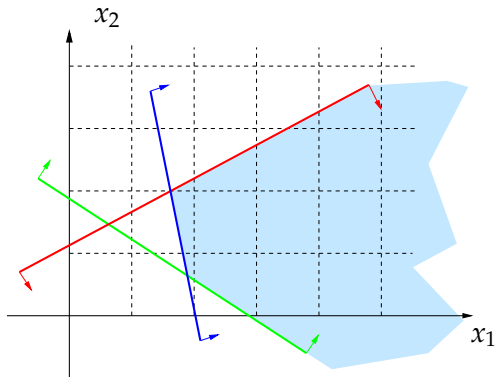


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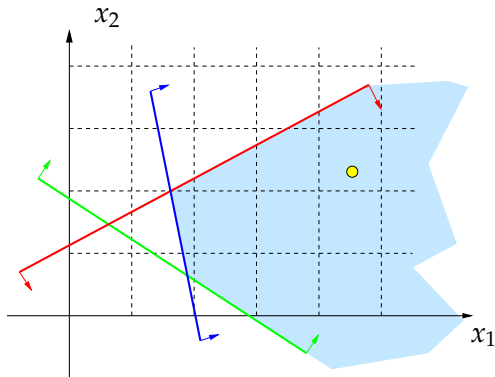


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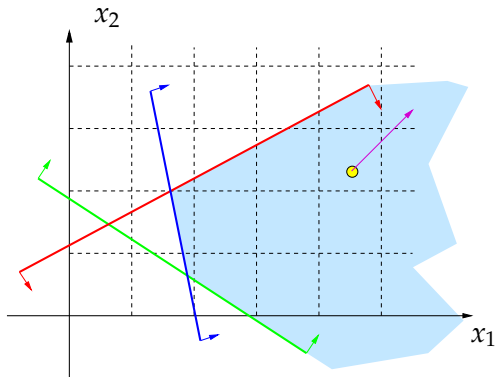


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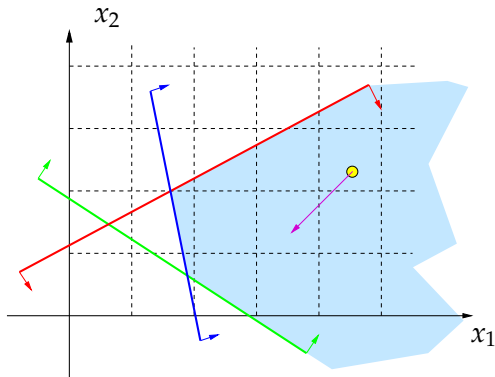


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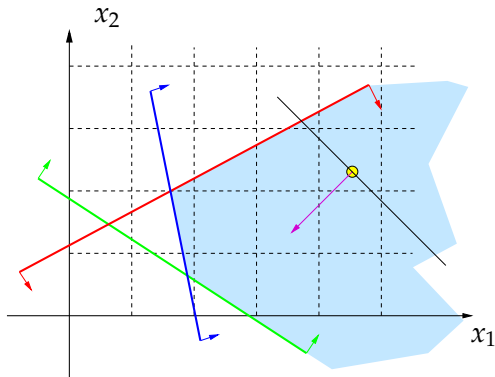


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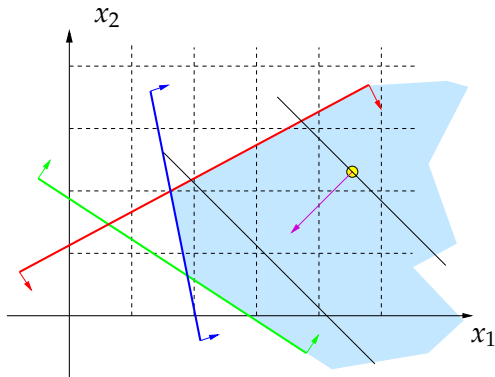


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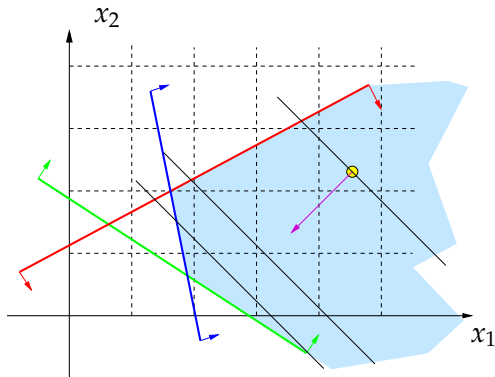


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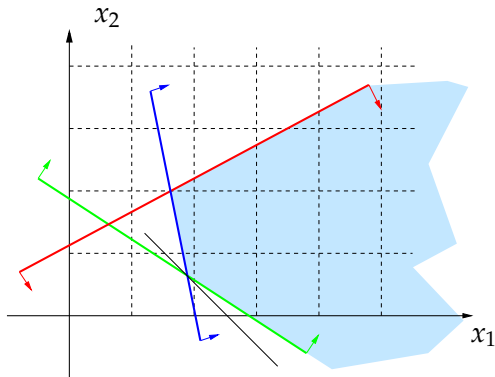


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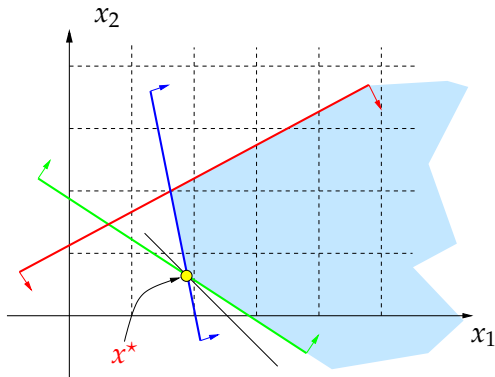


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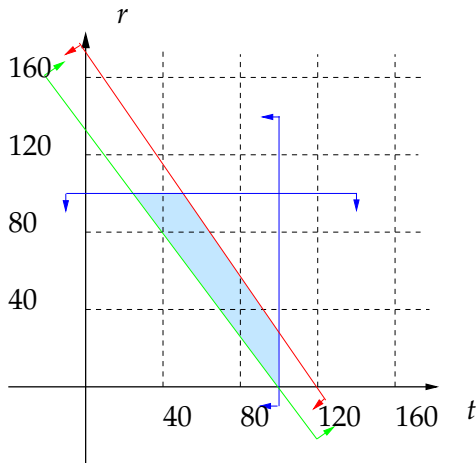


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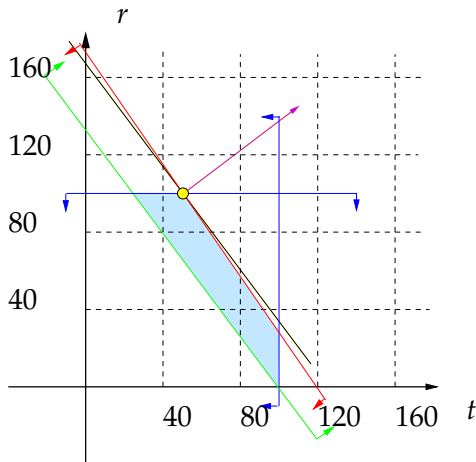
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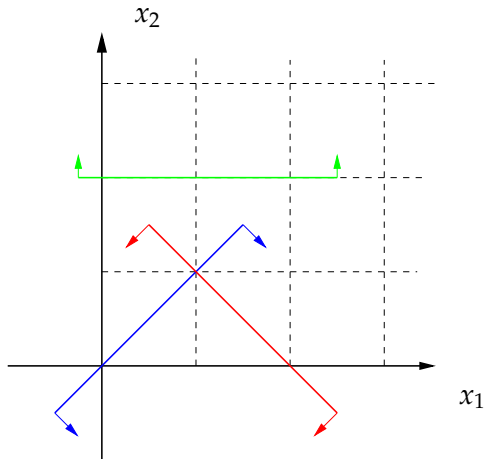
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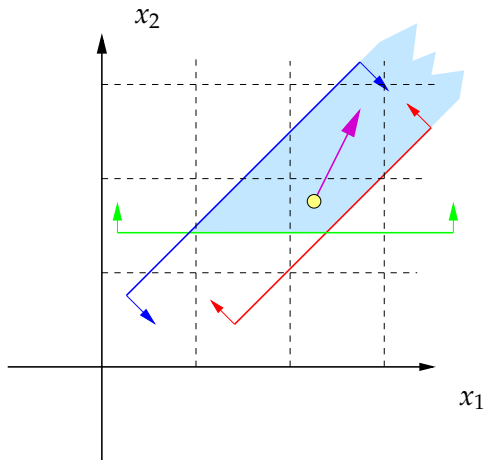
Example: Infeasible problem

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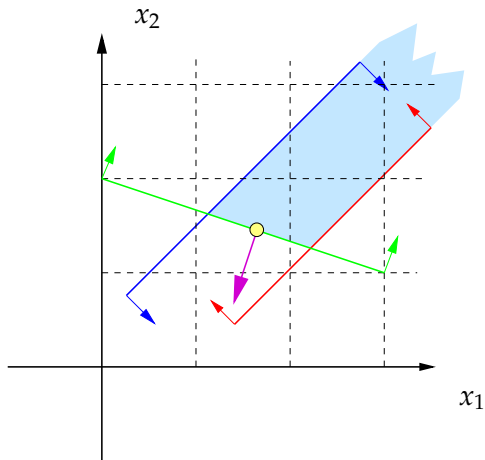
Example: Unbounded problem

$$\begin{array}{ll}\max & x_1 + 2x_2 \\ & 2x_1 - 2x_2 \geq -1 \\ & x_1 - x_2 \leq 1 \\ & x_2 \geq \frac{3}{2}\end{array}$$



Example: Multiple optima

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min & x_1 + 3x_2 \\ & 2x_1 - 2x_2 \geq -1 \\ & x_1 - x_2 \leq 1 \\ & x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 6\end{array}$$



An LP problem can be...

Problems with two variables are easily classified as

- ▶ feasible and bounded (more than one optimum)
- ▶ unbounded
- ▶ infeasible