

Recall (Sec. 2.1): **Example. LP1**:  $\min z = c^T x$ , s.t.  $Ax \leq b$ ,  $x \geq 0 \iff$  std LP?

LP1  $\iff$  LP2:  $\min z = c^T x$ , s.t.  $Ax + s = b$ ,  $x \geq 0$ , slack variables  $s \geq 0$ .

$\iff$  **Std LP3**:  $\min z' = c'^T x'$ , s.t.  $A'x' = b'$ ,  $x' \geq 0$ , where  $x' = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ s \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A' = [A \ I]$ ,  $b' = b$ ,  $c' = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Equivalence of LP1 and LP3: same  $x^*$  part,  $s^* = b - Ax^*$ , same  $z^*$ .

Proof. (1).  $x^*, z^*$  opt. to LP1  $\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ b - Ax^* \end{bmatrix} = x'^*$ ,  $z'^* = z^*$  opt to LP3.

(a).  $x'^* = \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ b - Ax^* \end{bmatrix}$  is feasible to LP3.  $\checkmark$

$$Ax^* \leq b, x^* \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underbrace{s^* = b - Ax^* \geq 0, x^* \geq 0}_{\wedge} \Rightarrow x'^* \geq 0, \underbrace{A'x'^* = b'}_{\checkmark} \Leftrightarrow Ax^* + s^* = b \quad \uparrow \checkmark$$

(b).  $x'^* = \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ b - Ax^* \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $z^*$  opt to LP3.

For any  $x'$  feasible to LP3,

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$$(x \geq 0, s \geq 0, Ax + s = b)$$

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$x \geq 0, Ax \leq b \Rightarrow x$  is feasible to LP1  $\rightarrow$

$$w(x^*) \leq w(x') \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \swarrow & \uparrow & \searrow \\ c^T x^* & \leq & c^T x \end{array}$$

(2).  $x'^* = \begin{bmatrix} x^* \\ s^* \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $z'^*$  opt. to LP3  $\Rightarrow x^*$  opt to LP1 with  $z^* = z'^*$ .

(a).  $x^*$  is feasible to LP1.

$(x^*, s^*)$  is feasible to LP<sub>3</sub>  $\rightarrow Ax^* + s^* = b, x^* \geq 0 \rightarrow Ax^* \leq b, x^* \geq 0$ .

Thus  $x^*$  is feasible to LP1.

(b).  $x^*$  is opt to LP1 with  $z^* = z'^*$ .

For any  $x$  feasible to LP<sub>1</sub>,  $Ax \leq b, x \geq 0$ . Let  $s = b - Ax$ . Then  $Ax + s = b, x \geq 0, s \geq 0$ . Thus  $x' = (x, s)$  is feasible to LP<sub>3</sub> with  $w = c^T x + 0$ . Since  $x'^* = (x^*, s^*)$  is opt to LP<sub>3</sub>, we must have  $w^* = c^T x^* \leq c^T x = w$ . Hence,  $z^* = c^T x^* \leq c^T x = z$ . So  $x^*$  is opt to LP<sub>1</sub>. #