

## **Optimization and Decision Support Methodologies**

Date: 23/02/2022 Exam – 2<sup>nd</sup> Call Duration: 2 hours

Note: Present all the calculations you make, and conveniently justify your answers.

## **1.** (Expected quotation: 7.0 values)

Consider the following single-objective linear programming problem:

Minimize $z = 3x_1 + 2 x_2$ subject to			
$2x_1 + x_2 \ge 10$	(1)		
$-3x_1 + 2x_2 \le 6$	(2)		
$x_1 + x_2 \ge 6$	(3)		
$x_1 \ge 0, x_2 \ge 0$			

Considering  $x_3$  and  $x_5$  the surplus and artificial variables of the functional constraint (1),  $x_6$  the slack variable of the functional constraint (2), and  $x_4$  and  $x_7$  the surplus and artificial variables of the functional constraint (3), the *simplex* optimal tableau (using the technique of the Big M) is:

	Ci	-3	-2	0	0	-M	0	-M	
ΧB	c <sub>B</sub> \ <b>x</b> i	<b>X</b> 1	$\mathbf{X}_{2}$	<b>X</b> 3	0 <b>X</b> 4	<b>X</b> 5	<b>X</b> 6	<b>X</b> 7	b
<b>X</b> <sub>1</sub>	-3	1	0	-1	1	1	0	-1	4
<b>X</b> 6	0	0	0	-5	7	5	1	-7	14
<b>X</b> 2	-2	0	1		-2	-1	0	2	2
z	j-cj	0	0	1	1	M-1	0	M-1	-16

For each of the following changes in the initial problem, determine, by carrying out a **post-optimization study**, what are the implications for the presented optimal solution (in the value of  $x^*$ , in the value of  $z^*$  and in the optimal basis), resulting from the variation:

- a) Changing the vector of terms independent of constraints, from  $\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$  to  $\begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ 7 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ ;
- b) Change in the coefficient of the variable  $x_2$  in the objective function, from 2 to 4;
- c) Introducing a new functional constraint in the problem:  $x_1 + 2x_2 \le 16$ .

## **2.** (Expected quotation: 5.0 values)

Consider now the following pure integer linear programming problem:

Maximize 
$$z = -x_1 + 3x_2$$
  
subject to  
 $-x_1 + 2x_2 \le 4$  (1)  
 $x_1 + x_2 \le 6$  (2)  
 $x_1 + 3x_2 \le 9$  (3)  
 $x_1 \ge 0, x_2 \ge 0$   
 $x_1$  and  $x_2$  integers

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Considering  $x_3$ ,  $x_4$  and  $x_5$  as the slack variables of the functional constraints (1), (2) and (3), respectively, suppose that the Gomory algorithm was applied to this same problem and at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> step, the following optimal *simplex* tableau was obtained:

	Ci	-1	3	0	0	0	
ХВ	C <sub>B</sub> \ X <sub>i</sub>	<b>X</b> 1	<b>X</b> 2	<b>X</b> 3	<b>X</b> 4	<b>X</b> 5	b
<b>X</b> <sub>2</sub>	3	0	1	1/5	0	1/5	13/5
$X_4$	0	0	0	2/5	1	-3/5	11/5
$\mathbf{X}_1$	-1	1	0	-3/5	0	2/5	6/5
	Zj-cj	0	0	6/5	0	1/5	33/5

- a) Draw your **conclusions** and, if necessary, proceed with **the 2<sup>nd</sup> step of that algorithm** to solve the presented problem;
- **b)** If the variable x<sub>1</sub> has no longer an integrality constraint, do you consider that we would still be faced with an integer programming problem? Justify your answer.

## **3.** (Expected quotation: 5.0 values)

Now consider the following goal programming problem:

Minimize Z = { 
$$d_1^+$$
,  $d_3^-$ ,  $d_2^-$ }  
subject to
$$3x_1 + 4x_2 + d_1^- - d_1^+ = 24$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + d_2^- - d_2^+ = 10$$

$$x_2 + d_3^- - d_3^+ = 5$$

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 + d_4^- = 6$$

$$x_1 \ge 0, \ x_2 \ge 0, \ d_i^- \ge 0, \ d_i^+ \ge 0 \ (i = 1,2,3,4)$$

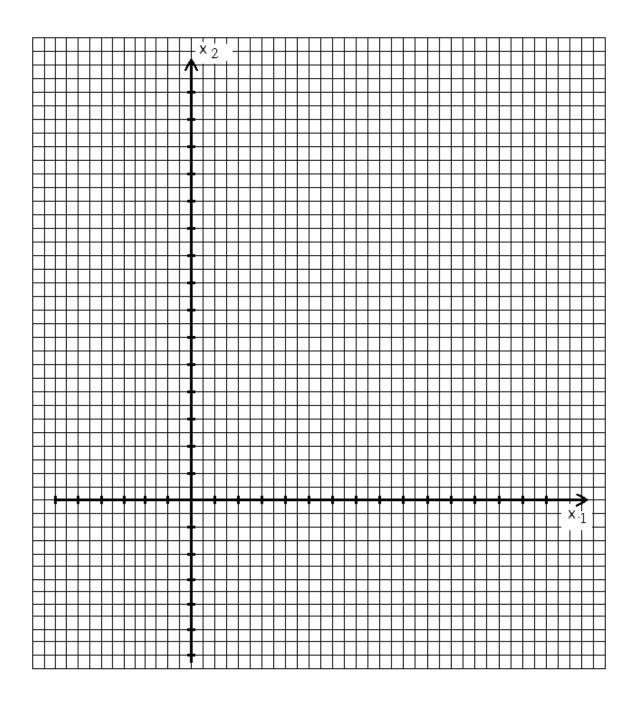
a) Solve this problem by the graphical method;

**Note**: You can use the grid on page 3, identifying yourself with student name and number.

b) If there was a need for a **new goal** of **priority level 4**, specifying that, as far as possible,  $x_1+2x_2$  should be greater than or equal to 3, indicate what changes you would introduce in the model.



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