

# 22 SPRING CSCE 629 600: ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS - Homework 6

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Question (1) Textbook page 879, Exercise 29.3-6.

Solve the following linear program using SIMPLEX:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize} & 5x_1 - 3x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 - x_2 \leq 1 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

## Answer:

Given:

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - x_2 &\leq 1 \\2x_1 + x_2 &\leq 2 \\x_1, x_2 &\geq 0 .\end{aligned}$$

Required:

$$\text{maximize} \quad 5x_1 - 3x_2$$

In order to solve the linear program we have to first convert this linear program into its slack form. The slack form is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 5x_1 - 3x_2 \\x_3 &= 1 - x_1 + x_2 \\x_4 &= 2 - 2x_1 - x_2\end{aligned}$$

The Basic solution is:

$$x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 1, x_4 = 2$$

and the objective value is = 0

$x_1$ , and  $x_2$  are the non-basic variables.

We can see that only  $x_1$  (non-basic variable) has a positive co-efficient in the above objective function whereas  $x_2$  has a negative co-efficient. So we pick  $x_1$  and increase its value in the slack-form LP.

In the equation  $x_3 = 1 - x_1 + x_2$ , we can increase the value of  $x_1$  upto a value of 1 so that  $x_3$  doesn't become negative and in the equation  $x_4 = 2 - 2x_1 - x_2$ , we can increase the value of  $x_1$  upto a value of 1 so that  $x_4$  doesn't become negative. So  $x_1 = 1$  is the highest that we can increase the value of  $x_1$  here. Now we rewrite the equation

$x_3 = 1 - x_1 + x_2$  as  $x_1 = 1 - x_3 + x_2$  and replace this value in the above slack-form LP to get the new slack-form LP which is given as:

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 5(1 - x_3 + x_2) - 3x_2 = 5 - 5x_3 + 2x_2 \\x_1 &= 1 - x_3 + x_2 \\x_4 &= 2 - 2(1 - x_3 + x_2) - x_2 = 2x_3 - 2x_2 .\end{aligned}$$

Now the Basic solution is:

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0$$

and the objective value is = 5

We can see now that  $x_2$  (non-basic variable) has a positive co-efficient in the above objective function. So we pick  $x_2$  and increase its value in this slack-form LP.

In the equation  $z = 5 - 5x_3 + 2x_2$ , we can increase the value of  $x_2$  with no restrictions as value of  $z$  increases with the increase in the value of  $x_2$  in this equation but in the equation  $x_4 = 2x_3 - 2x_2$  we can increase the value of  $x_2$  only upto 0 so that  $x_4$  doesn't become negative. So  $x_2 = 0$  is the highest that we can increase the value of  $x_2$  here. Now we rewrite the equation  $x_4 = 2x_3 - 2x_2$  as  $x_2 = \frac{2}{3}x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4$  and replace this value in the above slack-form LP to get the new slack-form LP which is given as:

$$z = 5 - 5x_3 + 2\left(\frac{2}{3}x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4\right) = 5 - \frac{11}{3}x_3 - \frac{2}{3}x_4$$

$$x_1 = 1 - x_3 + \left(\frac{2}{3}x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{3}x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4$$

$$x_2 = \frac{2}{3}x_3 - \frac{1}{3}x_4$$

Now the Basic solution is:

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0$$

and the objective value is = 5

Now from the equations we can see that both the non-basic variables  $x_3$  and  $x_4$  has negative co-efficient in the objective function. So our final solution is the basic solution:

$$x_1 = 1, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0$$

and the objective value with this solution is = 5