
DM545 – Linear and Integer Programming

Answers to the Take-home Assignment, Winter 2025

In this assignment I will be using Tableau Printing function provided on github by Marco always including it as:

```
from util import tableau
```

I will also be using *numpy*, and *fractions* for matrix operations:

```
import numpy as np
from fractions import Fraction
```

Task 1

Subtask 1.a

In the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 4x_1 + 5x_2 - 7x_3 \\ \text{subject to } & -x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \leq 2, \\ & -5x_1 + 10x_3 \leq 10, \\ & x_1 \in [0, 5], \\ & x_2 \in [-1, 1], \\ & x_3 \in [-2, 2]. \end{aligned}$$

By inspection of the objective function:

$4x_1 \Rightarrow 4$ is positive $\Rightarrow x_1$ as large as possible,
 $5x_2 \Rightarrow 5$ is positive $\Rightarrow x_2$ as large as possible,
 $-7x_3 \Rightarrow -7$ is negative $\Rightarrow x_3$ as small as possible.

Check potential solution formed by limits of interval bounds $[x_1, x_2, x_3] = [5, 1, -2]$:

1st constraint: $-x_1 - x_2 + x_3 \leq 2$
 $-5 - 1 + (-2) \leq 2$
 $-8 \leq 2$ is feasible

2nd constraint: $-5x_1 + 10x_3 \leq 10$
 $-25 + 10(-2) \leq 10$
 $-45 \leq 10$ is feasible

Objecive function value:

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 - 7x_3 =$$

$$20 + 5 + 14 =$$

$$39$$

We conclude the optimal solution is $[x_1, x_2, x_3] = [5, 1, -2]$

Subtask 1.b

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & sx_1 + tx_2 \leq 1 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

We can choose (s) and (t) to get different cases:

I) Single Optimal Solution

$$s = 2, \quad t = 1$$

- The slope of the only constraint is different from the slope of the objective function.
- Geometrically, the feasible region intersects the objective function at a single vertex.
- The vertex is our optimal solution

II) Infinite Optimal Solutions

$$s = 1, \quad t = 1$$

- The constraint line is parallel to the objective function.
- Objective function “placed” on the face gives us infinitely many optimal solutions.

III/IV) Infeasible / Unbounded

- If either s or t (or both) are negative, the problem becomes unbounded as each variable balances the other in the constraint allowing the objective function to grow indefinitely.

$$s = -1, \quad t = 1 \text{ is an example of unbounded}$$

- For any $s, t \geq 0$, setting $x_1 = \frac{1}{s}$, $x_2 = \frac{1}{t}$ gives a feasible solution (except if $s = 0$ or $t = 0$, in which case the value of x_1 or x_2 does not matter as it's multiplied by 0).

It is **impossible** to set s, t s.t. the problem becomes *infeasible*, we considered all possible cases

Task 2

Subtask 2.a

First, we transform the problem into the standard form:

- Change a minimization into a maximization:
 $\min(c^T x)$ into $-\max-(c^T x)$.
- Replace equalities with two inequalities.
- Convert all constraints to “ \leq ”.

The result is:

$$\begin{aligned} \max & -3x_1 - 2x_2 - 7x_3 \\ & -x_1 + x_2 \leq 10, \\ & x_1 - x_2 \leq -10, \\ & -2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \leq -10. \end{aligned}$$

Then the tableau looks like:

```
SLACK_COUNT = 3

A = np.array([[-1, -1, 0],
              [1, -1, 0],
              [-2, 1, -1]], dtype=object)
C = np.array([-3, -2, -7], dtype=object)
B = np.array([10, -10, -10], dtype=object)

A = np.vectorize(Fraction)(A)
C = np.vectorize(Fraction)(C)
B = np.vectorize(Fraction)(B)

I = np.array([[Fraction(int(i == j)) for j in range(SLACK_COUNT)] \
for i in range(SLACK_COUNT)], dtype=object)
Z = np.array([Fraction(0) for _ in range(SLACK_COUNT)], dtype=object)

T = np.concatenate([A.T, I], axis=1)
T = np.column_stack((T, Z))
T = np.column_stack((T, B))
T = np.vstack((T, np.concatenate([C, np.full(SLACK_COUNT, Fraction(0), \
dtype=object), [Fraction(1), Fraction(0)]])))

print("\n \n") # for pdf formating

tableau(T)
```

	x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	-z	b
	-1	1	-2	1	0	0	0	10
	-1	-1	1	0	1	0	0	-10
	0	0	-1	0	0	1	0	-10
	-3	-2	-7	0	0	0	1	0

As we can see the tableau is **optimal** (no positive reduced costs) but **infeasible** (two of the $b_i \leq 0$), we could apply Dual Simplex to work towards feasibility

Subtask 2.b

Tableau is given:

```
T = np.array([[0,0,0,1,1,0,0,0],
              [0,1,1,2,0,-1,0,30],
              [1,0,1,1,0,-1,0,20],
              [0,0,2,-7,0,5,1,-120]],dtype=object)

tableau(T)
```

x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	-z	b
0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	2	0	-1	0	30
1	0	1	1	0	-1	0	20
0	0	2	-7	0	5	1	-120

It is worth noting that this tableau is *unbounded* as all coefficients of x_6 in A are negative, but x_6 has a positive reduced cost, however we can still technically perform a change of basis and see the results.

By largest coefficient x_6 would have to enter (and x_3 leave as it's constraint is tighter) and that would make the problem infeasible, and unoptimal

```
# III * -1
T[2] = T[2] * Fraction(-1, 1)

# II + III
T[1] = T[1] + T[2]

# IV - 5*III
T[3] = T[3] - 5*T[2]

tableau(T)
```

x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	-z	b
0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
-1	1	0	1	0	0	0	10
-1	0	-1	-1	0	1	0	-20
5	0	7	-2	0	0	1	-20

By ratio test x_3 enters (as x_6 has only negative coefficients in A) and x_1 leaves as $20/1 < 30/1$ (we ignore first line $0/0 = ?$).

Coincidentally by Bland's Rule x_3 enters and x_1 leaves (we take the lowest index)

We can follow with both of them:

```
T = np.array([[0,0,0,1,1,0,0,0],
              [0,1,1,2,0,-1,0,30],
              [1,0,1,1,0,-1,0,20],
              [0,0,2,-7,0,5,1,-120]],dtype=object)
```

II - III

```
T[1] = T[1] - T[2]
```

IV - 2*III

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T[3] = T[3] - 2*T[2]
```

```
tableau(T)
```

x1	x2	x3	x4	x5	x6	-z	b
0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
-1	1	0	1	0	0	0	10
1	0	1	1	0	-1	0	20
-2	0	0	-9	0	7	1	-160

As we can see the tableau is still unbounded (by the case of x_6)

Task 3

Subtask 3.a

Tableau given:

```
T = np.array([[1,0,1,-1,0,5],
              [0,1,-2,3,0,15],
              [0,0,-2,-2,1,-110]],dtype=object)

tableau(T)
```

x1	x2	x3	x4	-z	b
1	0	1	-1	0	5
0	1	-2	3	0	15
0	0	-2	-2	1	-110

From the tableau, we observe the following:

- The solution is $[x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4] = [5, 15, 0, 0]$ with objective value 110.
- The reduced costs are $-2, -2$
- The values of dual variables are $2, 2$ (negative reduced costs).
- The shadow prices are the same as the dual variables: $2, 2$
- There is no over-capacity, as all the constraints are tight (no slacks in the basis).

Task 4

Subtask 4.a

We denote original problem as **P** and relaxed original problem as **PR**. Let's start by considering the original problem with marked constraints by α, β, γ

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y_i \\ & \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij} x_{ij} \leq b_i y_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (\alpha) \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} = 1, \quad j = 1, \dots, m \quad (\beta) \\ & y_i \leq 1, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

$$y_i \geq 0, \quad x_{ij} \geq 0.$$

We denote the potential dual variables:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha &= [\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n] \\ \beta &= [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_m] \\ \gamma &= [\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n] \end{aligned}$$

Then measure the violation of constraints (by putting everything to one side and multiplying by corresponding dual variable):

$$\begin{array}{lll} \alpha_1 (0 + b_1 y_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{1j} x_{1j}) & \beta_1 (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1}) & \gamma_1 (1 - y_1) \\ \alpha_2 (0 + b_2 y_2 - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{2j} x_{2j}) & \beta_2 (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i2}) & \gamma_2 (1 - y_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \alpha_n (0 + b_n y_n - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{nj} x_{nj}) & \beta_m (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{im}) & \gamma_n (1 - y_n) \end{array}$$

Then we denote **PR** relaxed problem:

$$\text{PR}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \min_{\text{by all } y, x \geq 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} c_1 y_1 + \dots + c_n y_n + \\ \alpha_1 (b_1 y_1 - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{1j} x_{1j}) + \\ \alpha_2 (b_2 y_2 - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{2j} x_{2j}) + \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n (b_n y_n - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{nj} x_{nj}) + \\ \beta_1 (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1}) + \\ \beta_2 (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i2}) + \\ \vdots \\ \beta_m (1 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_{im}) + \\ \gamma_1 (1 - y_1) + \\ \gamma_2 (1 - y_2) + \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_n (1 - y_n) \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \min_{\text{by all } y, x \geq 0} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} y_1 (c_1 + \alpha_1 b - \gamma_1) + \\ y_2 (c_2 + \alpha_2 b - \gamma_2) + \\ \vdots \\ y_n (c_n + \alpha_n b - \gamma_n) + \\ x_{1,1} (0 - \alpha_n a_1 - \beta_1) + \\ x_{2,1} (0 - \alpha_2 a_1 - \beta_2) + \\ \vdots \\ x_{n,1} (0 - \alpha_n a_1 - \beta_n) + \\ x_{1,2} (0 - \alpha_1 a_2 - \beta_1) + \\ x_{2,2} (0 - \alpha_2 a_2 - \beta_2) + \\ \vdots \\ x_{n,m} (0 - \alpha_n a_m - \beta_n) + \\ \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j + \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i + \end{array} \right\}.$$

All bounds have to be useful, so to get to the dual constraints:

$$\begin{array}{ll} (c_1 + \alpha_1 b - \gamma_1) \geq 0 & \alpha_1 b - \gamma_1 \geq -c_1 \\ (c_2 + \alpha_2 b - \gamma_2) \geq 0 & \alpha_2 b - \gamma_2 \geq -c_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (c_n + \alpha_n b - \gamma_n) \geq 0 & -\alpha_n b - \gamma_n \geq 0 \\ (0 - \alpha_n a_1 - \beta_1) \geq 0 & -\alpha_n a_1 - \beta_1 \geq 0 \\ (0 - \alpha_2 a_1 - \beta_2) \geq 0 & -\alpha_2 a_1 - \beta_2 \geq 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (0 - \alpha_n a_1 - \beta_n) \geq 0 & -\alpha_n a_1 - \beta_n \geq 0 \\ (0 - \alpha_1 a_2 - \beta_1) \geq 0 & -\alpha_1 a_2 - \beta_1 \geq 0 \\ (0 - \alpha_2 a_2 - \beta_2) \geq 0 & -\alpha_2 a_2 - \beta_2 \geq 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ (0 - \alpha_n a_m - \beta_n) \geq 0 & -\alpha_n a_m - \beta_n \geq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow$$

To get new Objective function we take the sums uncorrelated with y, x in front of the $\min_{\text{by all } y, x} \{\cdot\}$. Now we want to:

$$\max_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma} \left\{ \text{PR}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i + \min_{\text{by all } y, x} \{\cdot\} \right\}.$$

However to keep the:

$$\text{opt}(\text{PR}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)) \leq \text{opt}(P)$$

We need to penalize breaking the constraints, i.e. each dual variable must be chosen so that **violating a original constraint increases the value of the objective.**

For the constraints of type α : $\sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij}x_{ij} \leq b_iy_i$

- The violation measure is $b_iy_i - \sum_{j=1}^m a_{ij}x_{ij}$.
- When **broken**, this becomes **negative**.
- To penalize the objective it requires

$$\alpha_i \leq 0.$$

For the constraints of type γ : $y_i \leq 1$:

- The violation measure is $1 - y_i$.
- When **breaking** this becomes **negative**.
- To ensure the penalty, we need

$$\gamma_i \geq 0.$$

For the constraints of type β $\sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} = 1$:

- Violations can happen **in both ways**.
- Therefore we set:

$$\beta_j \in \mathbb{R}.$$

This ensures that always:

$$\text{opt}(\text{PR}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)) \leq \text{opt}(P)$$

Combinig everything togheter we are left with:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \max \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i \\
 & \alpha_1 b - \gamma_1 \geq -c_1 \\
 & \alpha_2 b - \gamma_2 \geq -c_2 \\
 & \vdots \\
 & -\alpha_n b - \gamma_n \geq 0 \quad \max \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_j + \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i \\
 & -\alpha_n a_1 - \beta_1 \geq 0 \quad -b\alpha_i + \gamma_i \leq c_i \quad i = 1, \dots, n \\
 & -\alpha_2 a_1 - \beta_2 \geq 0 \quad \alpha_i a_j + \beta_j \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad j = 1, \dots, m \\
 & \vdots \\
 & -\alpha_n a_1 - \beta_n \geq 0 \quad \alpha_i \leq 0. \quad i = 1, \dots, n \\
 & -\alpha_1 a_2 - \beta_1 \geq 0 \quad \beta_j \in \mathbb{R}. \quad j = 1, \dots, m \\
 & -\alpha_2 a_2 - \beta_2 \geq 0 \\
 & \vdots \\
 & -\alpha_n a_m - \beta_n \geq 0 \quad \gamma_i \leq 0. \quad i = 1, \dots, n
 \end{aligned}$$

$\alpha_i \leq 0. \quad i = 1, \dots, n$
 $\beta_j \in \mathbb{R}. \quad j = 1, \dots, m$
 $\gamma_i \leq 0. \quad i = 1, \dots, n$

Task 5

Subtask 5.a

Subtask 5.b

Subtask 5.c

Task 6

Subtask 6.a

Task 7

Subtask 7.a

Subtask 7.b

Task 8

Subtask 8.a

Subtask 8.b

Subtask 8.c

Subtask 8.d

Subtask 8.e

Subtask 8.f