

- Half-space: $H = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x} \leq b\}$.

- Polyhedral set: **finite** union of half-spaces.

- Convert to standard form:

1. $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq b_i \longrightarrow \mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} + s_i = b_i$ for $s_i \geq 0$.
2. $x_i \leq 0 \longrightarrow -x_i^- = x_i$ s.t. $-x_i^- \geq 0$.
3. Free variable $x_i = x_i^+ - x_i^-$ for $x_i^+, x_i^- \geq 0$.

- $\max f_i(\mathbf{x})$ is convex if f_i 's are convex.

- **Extreme Point:** A point $\mathbf{x}^* \in P$ is said to be an **extreme point** if whenever there are $\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \in P$ with $\mathbf{x}^* = \lambda \mathbf{y} + (1 - \lambda) \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x}^*$ for some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$, we have $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x}^*$.

- **Vertex:** A point $\mathbf{x}^* \in P$ is said to be a **vertex** if there exists some \mathbf{c} such that $\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}^* > \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{y}$ for all $\mathbf{y} \in P - \{\mathbf{x}^*\}$.

- **BFS:** $\mathbf{x}^* \in P$ is said to be a BFS if there are n linearly independent constraints which are active at \mathbf{x}^* . The number of linearly independent active constraints at \mathbf{x}^* is called the **rank** of \mathbf{x}^* .

- **Basic solution:** $\mathbf{x}^* \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a basic solution iff

- $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^* = \mathbf{b}$, and
- There exists an index set $B \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that the set $\{\mathbf{A}_i : i \in B\}$ is linearly independent and $x_j^* = 0$ for all $j \notin B$.

- For non-empty polyhedron P , the followings are equivalent:

1. P does not contain any straight line.
2. P has a basic feasible solution.
3. P has n linearly independent constraints.

- For every BFS, $\mathbf{x}_N = \mathbf{0}$. If \mathbf{x}_B contains zero entries, then \mathbf{x} is degenerate.

- Feasible direction to adjacent BFS: $\mathbf{d}^j = (\mathbf{d}_B^j, \mathbf{d}_N^j)$ for some $j \in N$, such that $\mathbf{d}_N^j = \mathbf{e}_j$ and $\mathbf{d}_B^j = -\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_j$.

- Every feasible direction can be expressed as a linear combination of \mathbf{d}^j 's.

- **Reduced cost:** $\bar{c}_j = c_j - \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_j$.

- Step size to adjacent BFS: $\theta_j = \min \left\{ -\frac{x_i}{d_i^j} : i \in B, d_i^j < 0 \right\}$

- If $\bar{\mathbf{c}} \geq \mathbf{0}$, then \mathbf{x}^* is optimal; if \mathbf{x}^* is optimal and non-degenerate, then $\bar{\mathbf{c}} \geq \mathbf{0}$.

- **Simplex method:**

1. \mathbf{x}_0 : any basic feasible solution.
2. At the k -th iteration, choose a basis B_k .
3. Let $N_k := \{1, 2, \dots, n\} - B_k$. For each $j \in N_k$, compute the reduced cost

$$\bar{c}_j = c_j - \mathbf{c}_{B_k}^T \mathbf{A}_{B_k}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_j.$$

4. If $\bar{c}_j \geq 0$ for all $j \in N_k$, \mathbf{x}_k is an optimal solution.
5. Otherwise:

- (a) Take some $j \in N_k$ such that $\bar{c}_j < 0$. $(\mathbf{x}_k)_j$ is called an **entering variable**.

- (b) Compute $\mathbf{d}_{B_k}^j = -\mathbf{A}_{B_k}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_j$.

- (c) If $\mathbf{d}_{B_k}^j \geq \mathbf{0}$, the problem is **unbounded**.

- (d) Otherwise:

- i. Take $\bar{\theta}_j = \min \left\{ -\frac{x_i}{d_i^j} : i \in B, d_i^j < 0 \right\} = \frac{x_\ell}{d_\ell^j}$.

 $(\mathbf{x}_k)_\ell$ is called a **leaving variable**.

- ii. Update $B_{k+1} := (B - \{\ell\}) \cup \{j\}$.

- iii. Update \mathbf{x}_{k+1} by

$$(\mathbf{x}_{k+1})_i = \begin{cases} (\mathbf{x}_k)_i + \bar{\theta}_j d_i^j & \text{if } i \in B - \{\ell\} \\ \bar{\theta}_j & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Tableau implementation:**

Basic	\mathbf{x}			Solution
$\bar{\mathbf{c}}$	$\mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}$			$-\mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$
\mathbf{x}_B	$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}$			$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$
Basic	x_1	\dots	x_n	Solution
$\bar{\mathbf{c}}$	\bar{c}_1	\dots	\bar{c}_n	$-\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}_B$
$x_{B(1)}$	$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_n$			$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$
\vdots				
$x_{B(m)}$				
Basic	\mathbf{x}_B	\mathbf{x}_N		Solution
$\bar{\mathbf{c}}$	$\mathbf{0}$	$\mathbf{c}_N^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_N$		$-\mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$
\mathbf{x}_B	\mathbf{I}	$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_N$		$\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$

At every iteration, swap entering with leaving variables, normalise the pivot row, and do EROs to restore \mathbf{I} .

- **Two-Phase method:**

1. Manipulate constraint s.t. $\mathbf{b} \geq \mathbf{0}$.

2. Construct the auxiliary linear program

$$\min_{\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m} \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}.$$

3. Run simplex method with $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{b})$ to obtain its optimal solution $(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{x}^*)$ and optimal value v^* .

4. If $v^* > 0$, the original feasible region is \emptyset .

5. Otherwise, $v^* = 0$, \mathbf{x}^* is an initial BFS.

- **Big-M method:**

1. Manipulate constraint s.t. $\mathbf{b} \geq \mathbf{0}$.

2. Augment the problem:

$$\min \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x} + M \sum_{i=1}^m y_i \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}.$$

3. Run simplex method with $(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{b})$.

4. If an optimal solution $(\mathbf{y}^*, \mathbf{x}^*)$ exists with $\mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{0}$, \mathbf{x}^* is an optimal solution.

5. Otherwise, the original problem has empty feasible set or is unbounded.

- Special cases:

1. Multiple leaving variables: degenerate BFS (some \bar{c}_j might be negative at degenerate optimum).

2. Multiple optimal solutions iff $\bar{c}_j = 0$ at an optimum.

- (a) If $\bar{c}_j = 0$ but $\mathbf{d}^j \geq \mathbf{0}$, the optimal set is $\{\mathbf{x}^* + \theta \mathbf{d}^j : \theta \geq 0\}$.

- (b) If multiple optimal BFSs exist, the optimal set is $\text{conv} \{\mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{x}^2, \dots, \mathbf{x}^k\}$.

3. $\bar{c}_j < 0$ but $\mathbf{d}^j \geq \mathbf{0}$: unbounded.

4. Empty feasible set: detect with two-phase method or Big-M method.

- **Dual problem:** $\max_{\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{b} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{A} \leq \mathbf{c}^T$.

- Dual of the dual is the primal.

- **Weak duality:** $\sup \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{b} \leq \inf \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$.

- If $(\mathbf{p}^*)^T \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}^*$, then both are optimal solutions.

- (P) is unbounded iff (D) is infeasible. (P) is infeasible iff (D) is unbounded.

- **Strong duality:** If primal and dual are feasible, then $(\mathbf{p}^*)^T \mathbf{b} = \inf \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}^*$. The dual optimum $\mathbf{p}^* = \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B$.

- **Complementary slackness:** If (P) has constraints $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \leq b_i$, $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} \geq b_i$ or $\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} = b_i$. Objective values at \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{p} are equal iff

$$p_i (\mathbf{a}_i^T \mathbf{x} - b_i) = 0, \quad (c_j - \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{A}_j) x_j = 0$$

for all i, j (and both optimal if \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{p} are feasible). A feasible \mathbf{x} is optimal iff there is a feasible dual solution \mathbf{p} satisfying complementary slackness conditions. **NOTE: In NETWORKS, both i and j NEED TO BE EDGE INDEX!**

- **Dual simplex method:**

1. Manipulate the constraints and add slack variables so that the right-most portion of \mathbf{A} becomes an identity matrix.
2. Run simplex method on the transformed problem, while maintaining $\bar{\mathbf{c}} \geq \mathbf{0}$.
 - (a) At the k -th iteration, if there is no negative basic variable, then an optimal primal solution has been found.
 - (b) Otherwise, select some $x_\ell < 0$ as the leaving variable.
 - i. If $d_\ell^j \geq 0$ for all $j \in N_k$, then the primal problem is infeasible.
 - ii. Otherwise, take

$$i = \operatorname{argmin}_{j \in N_k} \left\{ \frac{\bar{c}_j}{|d_\ell^j|} : d_\ell^j < 0 \right\}$$

as the index of the entering variable.

3. Terminate when we have obtained $\mathbf{x}_B \geq \mathbf{0}$.

- **Sensitivity analysis:**

1. Optimality condition: $\bar{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{c}^T - \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A} \geq \mathbf{0}$; Feasibility condition: $\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \geq \mathbf{0}$.
2. $\mathbf{b} + \delta \mathbf{e}_i$: $\mathbf{x}_B^* + \delta (\mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{e}_i) \geq \mathbf{0}$. New optimal value: $\mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} (\mathbf{b} + \delta \mathbf{e}_i) = \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{b} + \delta p_i^*$. p_i^* is the **marginal cost**.
3. $\mathbf{c} + \delta \mathbf{e}_i$: If i is non-basic, optimal iff $\delta \geq -\bar{c}_j$. If i is basic, for each $j \in N$ we need $c_i - (\mathbf{c}_B + \delta \mathbf{e}_j)^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_i = \bar{c}_j - \delta \mathbf{e}_j^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_i \geq 0$. Define $\bar{a}_{i,j} = \mathbf{e}_j^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_i$, then \mathbf{x}^* is still optimal iff

$$\max_{\bar{a}_{i,j} < 0} \frac{\bar{c}_j}{\bar{a}_{i,j}} \leq \delta \leq \min_{\bar{a}_{i,j} > 0} \frac{\bar{c}_j}{\bar{a}_{i,j}}.$$

4. $a_{ij} + \delta$ for some $j \in N$. \mathbf{x}^* is still feasible iff $\bar{c}_j = \bar{c}_j - \delta p_i \geq 0$.
5. New variable x_{n+1} : $(\mathbf{x}^*, 0)$ is a BFS, so it is optimal iff $\bar{c}_{n+1} = c_{n+1} - \mathbf{c}_B^T \mathbf{A}_B^{-1} \mathbf{A}_{n+1} \geq 0$. Otherwise, x_{n+1} is entering variable so we run simplex again.
6. New constraint $\mathbf{a}_{m+1}^T \mathbf{x} \leq b_{m+1}$ with induced new slack variable x_{n+1} : nothing to do if \mathbf{x}^* satisfies the constraint. Otherwise add x_{n+1} as new basic variable, and $x_{n+1} < 0$ (x_{n+1} \mathbf{a}_B^T \mathbf{a}_N^T 1 b_{m+1} in optimal tableau). Run dual simplex method to obtain new solution.

- Flow balance constraint:

$$\sum_{j \in O(i)} x_{ij} - \sum_{k \in I(i)} x_{ki} = b_i \quad \forall i \in V.$$

- Row sums of node-arc incidence matrix and supply vector are zero.
- If $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ where \mathbf{A} is a 0-1 matrix such that the 1's in each column appear consecutively, then

$$\mathbf{A}' = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}$$

is a node-arc incidence matrix.

- **SSSP:** $\min \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$ s.t. $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{e}_s - \mathbf{e}_t, \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}$. Dual: $\max p_s - p_t$ s.t. $p_i - p_j \leq c_{(i,j)} \quad \forall (i,j) \in E(G)$. We can set $p_t = 0$ when solving the dual.

- **Three Jug Puzzle:**

- $(i, j) \rightarrow (b, j)$: $1 \rightarrow 2$;
- $(i, j) \rightarrow (0, j)$: $2 \rightarrow 1$;
- $(i, j) \rightarrow (i, c)$: $1 \rightarrow 3$;
- $(i, j) \rightarrow (i, 0)$: $3 \rightarrow 1$;
- $(i, j) \rightarrow (\min \{0, i + j - c\}, \max \{i + j, c\})$: $2 \rightarrow 3$;
- $(i, j) \rightarrow (\max \{i + j, b\}, \min \{0, i + j - b\})$: $3 \rightarrow 2$.

- **Dynamic Lot Sizing:** $c_{(i,j)} = K_i + c_i x_i + \sum_{k=i}^{j-1} h_k I_k$ where $I_k = x_i - \sum_{r=i}^k d_r = \sum_{r=k+1}^{j-1} d_r$, so

$$c_{(i,j)} = K_i + c_i \sum_{k=i}^{j-1} d_k + \sum_{k=i}^{j-2} \left(h_k \sum_{r=k+1}^{j-1} d_r \right).$$

- **Max flow:** $\min v$ s.t. $\mathbf{Ax} = (\mathbf{e}_s - \mathbf{e}_t)v, \mathbf{0} \leq \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{u}$. If there are multiple sources/destinations, add artificial single source and destination with uncapacitated arcs.

- **Min cut:** $\min \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{z}$ s.t. $\mathbf{d}^T \mathbf{y} = 1, \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{z} \geq \mathbf{0}$. Here \mathbf{u} is the capacities, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} are boolean vectors. \mathbf{y} indicates the section a vertex is in, \mathbf{z} indicates if an edge is taken. It is dual to max flow. **Here, the dual vectors of \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{u} are \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{z} respectively.**

- Truncated node-arc incidence matrix $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$: delete last row from \mathbf{A} . An edge set B is a basis of $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}$ iff it induces a spanning tree. Dual vector $\mathbf{p}^T = \mathbf{c}_B^T \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_B^{-1}$.

- **Network simplex method:**

1. Take a spanning tree $T_0 \subseteq G$ and find a basis B from $E(T_0)$ and a feasible tree solution \mathbf{x}_0 .
2. At the k -th iteration, compute $\mathbf{p}^T = \mathbf{c}_B^T \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_B^{-1}$.
3. Solve $p_n = 0, p_i - p_j = c_{(i,j)}$ for all $(i, j) \in B$.
4. Reduced cost $\bar{c}_{(i,j)} = c_{(i,j)} - (p_{i_k} - p_{j_k})$.
5. If $\bar{c}_{(i,j)} \geq 0$ for all $(i, j) \in E(G)$, then \mathbf{x}_k is optimal.
6. Otherwise, choose $(i, j) \notin B$ with $\bar{c}_{(i,j)} < 0$.
7. Add (i, j) to produce a cycle, $i \rightarrow j$ is forward.
 - (a) Unbounded if no backward arc.
 - (b) Otherwise, $\theta^* := x_{pq} = \min_{(k,\ell) \in C_b} x_{k\ell}$.
8. Update \mathbf{x}_k to \mathbf{x}_{k+1} by

$$\widehat{x_{k\ell}} = \begin{cases} x_{k\ell} + \theta^* & \text{if } (k, \ell) \in C_f \\ x_{k\ell} - \theta^* & \text{if } (k, \ell) \in C_b \\ x_{k\ell} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

9. Update $T_{k+1} = (T - (p, q)) \cup (i, j)$.

- **Two-phase network simplex method:**

1. Connect all $i \rightarrow n$, set $c_{(i,j)} = 0$ and $c_{(i,n)} = 1$.
2. Use star rooted at n as initial basis to remove all extra arcs. Take the resultant basis to run network simplex method.

- If G is a weakly connected network, then $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_B^{-1}$ is integer for all B .

- Let G be an n -vertex weakly connected network. Consider a network flow problem (P) such that an optimal solution exists. If the supply vector \mathbf{b} consists of purely integer entries, then there is an integer optimal solution; if the cost vector \mathbf{c} consists of purely integer entries, then there is an integer dual optimal solution.