

## 5.2 Graphical Methods for solving Linear Programs in 2 vars

A linear program is an optimization problem. In two vars, we seek to either maximize or minimize a function  $f(x,y)$  subject to linear constraints.

↳ Constraints are linear inequalities.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Ex } 3x - 2y &\geq 0 \\ x + 2y &\leq 10 \\ x &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

Such that/subject to  
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Ex maximize  $x+y$   
Constraints!

max  $x+y$  s.t.

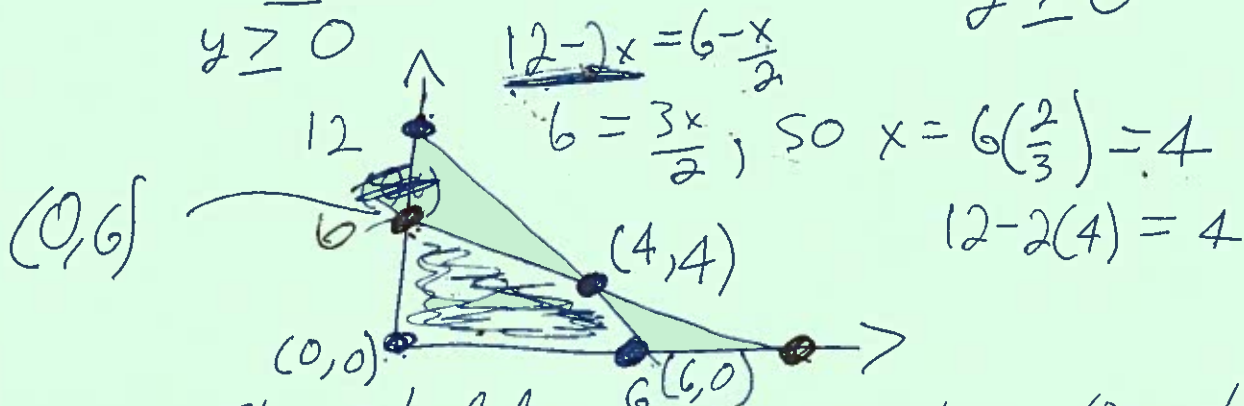
$$\begin{aligned}2x + y &\leq 12 \quad (y \leq 12 - 2x) \\ x + 2y &\leq 12 \quad (y \leq 6 - \frac{x}{2}) \\ x &\geq 0 \\ y &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

$$2x + y \leq 12$$

$$x + 2y \leq 12$$

$$x \geq 0$$

$$y \geq 0$$



The shaded region is search space/feasible region

Want to max  $x+y$ .

Point	$x+y$
$(0,0)$	0
$(0,6)$	$0+6=6$
$(6,0)$	$6+0=6$
$(4,4)$	$4+4=8$ ✗

So the largest value  $x+y$  takes on in feasible region is 8.

The maximizer is  $(4,4)$ .

Ex Two types of Apple Juice

↳ Type X: 30 oz Water, 2 oz Concentrate, profit of \$0.20/unit.

↳ Type Y: 20 oz Water, 12 oz Concentrate, profit of \$0.30

Goal ↳ Constraints: 30,000 oz water:  
3600 oz concentrate.

Goal Maximize Profit.

Profit function:  $20x + 30y$

Solve  $\max 20x + 30y$  s.t.

$$30x + 20y \leq 30000 \text{ (Water Constraint)}$$

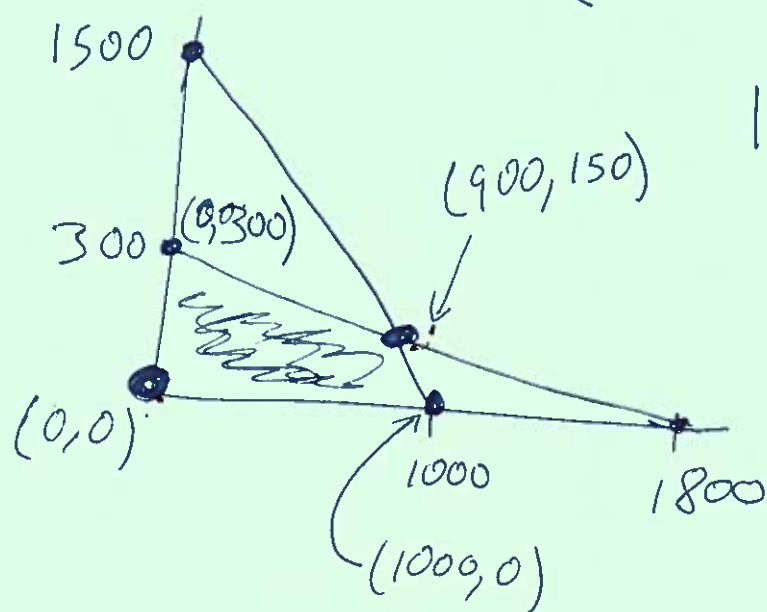
$$2x + 12y \leq 3600 \text{ (Concentrate)}$$

$$x \geq 0,$$

$$y \geq 0.$$

$$30x + 20y \leq 30000 \quad (y \leq 1500 - \frac{3}{2}x)$$

$$2x + 12y \leq 3600 \quad (y \leq 300 - \frac{x}{6})$$



$$1500 - \frac{3}{2}x = 0$$

$$1500 = \frac{3}{2}x$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}(1500) = 1000$$

$$\text{Set } 1500 - \frac{3}{2}x = 300 - \frac{x}{6}$$

$$1500 - \frac{9x}{6} = 300 - \frac{x}{6}$$

$$1200 = \frac{8}{6}x = \frac{4}{3}x$$

$$\text{So } x = 900 \text{ and } y = 1500 - \frac{3}{2}(900) = 150$$

Recall We want to max  $20x + 30y$

Point	$20x + 30y$
$(0, 0)$	0
$(0, 300)$	$0 + 30(300) = 9000$
$(1000, 0)$	$20(1000) + 0 = 20,000$
$(900, 150)$	$20(900) + 30(150) = 22,500$

So max value of  $20x + 30y$  in feasible region is 22,500. This occurs at  $(900, 150)$

Sell 900 units type X  
150 units of type Y

Profit \$225