

Homework Assignment 3

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Problem 1. Solve the following linear program using the Simplex Algorithm in conjunction with Bland's rule:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize} & 2x_1 + 5x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 \leq 4 \\ & x_2 \leq 6 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \leq 0 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0. \end{array}$$

Solution.

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- Problem 2.** a. Prove that if (ALP) has a feasible solution $(x_1, \dots, x_n; y_1, \dots, y_m)$ with objective function value zero then $y_1 = 0, \dots, y_m = 0$.
- b. What do you do if after Phase I (ALP) does not have any optimal feasible solution with objective function value zero?

Solution.

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Problem 3. Consider the linear program

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{maximize} & 2x_1 + x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & 0 \leq x_1 \leq 5 \\ & 0 \leq x_2 \leq 7 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \leq 9.\end{array}$$

Convert the problem to standard form and solve it using the simplex method.

Solution.

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Problem 4. Solve the following linear programs using the revised simplex method:

a.

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{maximize} & -4x_1 - 3x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & 5x_1 + x_2 \geq 11 \\ & -2x_1 - x_2 \leq -8 \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 7 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0.\end{array}$$

b.

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{maximize} & 6x_1 + 4x_2 + 7x_3 + 5x_4 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 20 \\ & 6x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 100 \\ & 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 9x_3 + 12x_4 \leq 75 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0.\end{array}$$

Solution.

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Problem 5. Suppose that we apply the simplex method to a given linear programming problem and obtain the following canonical tableau:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} 0 & \beta & 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & \gamma & 0 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 - \alpha & 0 & 0 & \delta \end{array}$$

For each of the following conditions, find the set of all parameter values $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta$ that satisfy the condition.

- The problem has no solution because the objective function values are unbounded.
- The current basic feasible solution is optimal, and the corresponding objective function value is 7.
- The current basic feasible solution is not optimal, and the objective function value strictly decreases if we remove the first column of A from the basis.

Solution.

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