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Homework 1

## P1.

1. First change the problem into a maximization problem:

$$\text{minimize } 3x_1 - 5x_2 \Rightarrow \text{maximize } -3x_1 + 5x_2$$

2. Change the constraints to  $\leq$ :

$$4x_1 + x_2 \geq -4 \Rightarrow -4x_1 - x_2 \leq 4$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 \geq -8 \Rightarrow -2x_1 + x_2 \leq 8$$

3. Make sure the variables have non-negativity constraints:

$$x_2 \mapsto x_2^+ - x_2^-$$

$$x_2^+, x_2^- \geq 0$$

Replace  $x_2$  with  $x_2^+ - x_2^-$  in the problem.

The problem can now be written in standard form as:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{maximize} \quad & -3x_1 + 5x_2^+ - 5x_2^- \\ \mathbf{s.t.} \quad & -4x_1 - x_2^+ + x_2^- \leq 4 \\ & -2x_1 + x_2^+ - x_2^- \leq 8 \\ & x_1 + 2x_2^+ - 2x_2^- \leq 4 \\ & x_1, x_2^+, x_2^- \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## P2.

### Slack, initial dictionary, feasibility

I will add the slack variables  $w_1$ ,  $w_2$ , and  $w_3$  to the constraints and let  $z$  be the value of the objective function.

Rewriting the problem with the slack variables gives:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbf{maximize} \quad z = -3x_1 + 5x_2^+ - 5x_2^- \\
&\mathbf{s.t.} \quad w_1 = 4 + 4x_1 + x_2^+ - x_2^- \\
&\quad \quad w_2 = 8 + 2x_1 - x_2^+ + x_2^- \\
&\quad \quad w_3 = 4 - x_1 - 2x_2^+ + 2x_2^- \\
&\quad \quad x_1, x_2^+, x_2^-, w_1, w_2, w_3 \geq 0
\end{aligned}$$

The first dictionary of this problem can be written as:

$$\begin{array}{l}
w_1 = 4 + 4x_1 + x_2^+ - x_2^- \\
w_2 = 8 + 2x_1 - x_2^+ + x_2^- \\
w_3 = 4 - x_1 - 2x_2^+ + 2x_2^- \\
\hline
z = 0 - 3x_1 + 5x_2^+ - 5x_2^-
\end{array}$$

A solution to this dictionary is feasible if and only if all the right-hand sides are nonnegative as set by the non-negativity constraints.

If we set the non-basic variables  $x_1, x_2^+, x_2^-$  to 0 then we have the solutions:  $w_1 = 4, w_2 = 8, w_3 = 4$ , and  $z = 0$ .

Since the non-negativity constraints are respected, this dictionary is feasible.

## Initial pivoting

To pivot the dictionary we need to choose a variable from the objective function that if increased the value  $z$  of the objective function increases. This is the case because we are trying to maximize the value of the objective function. In this case, we will choose  $x_2^+$  because it is the only variable that will increase the value of  $z$ . The other variables all of  $-$  in front which means that if we increased those variables, we would decrease the value  $z$  of the objective function.

To find the leaving variable we need to solve for  $x_2^+$  in all of the equations of the dictionary where there is a constraint on how much  $x_2^+$  can increase. We then choose the variable where  $x_2^+$  has the lowest upper limit. We set all of

the other variables to 0.

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= 4 + 4x_1 + x_2^+ - x_2^- \Rightarrow \text{No constraint on the increase of } x_2^+ \\ w_2 &= 8 + 2x_1 - x_2^+ + x_2^- \Rightarrow x_2^+ \leq 8 \\ w_3 &= 4 - x_1 - 2x_2^+ + 2x_2^- \Rightarrow x_2^+ \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

In this case, we choose  $w_3$  as the leaving variable because it gives  $x_2^+$  the lowest upper bound constraint.

Once we have the entering and leaving variables, we need to find the new dictionary after pivoting. To do this we first solve the equation of the leaving variable for the entering variable:

$$w_3 = 4 - x_1 - 2x_2^+ + 2x_2^- \Rightarrow x_2^+ = 2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2}$$

We then substitute that equation in for all places where the entering variable occurs in the dictionary:

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= 4 + 4x_1 + (2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2}) - x_2^- \\ w_2 &= 8 + 2x_1 - (2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2}) + x_2^- \\ x_2^+ &= 2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2} \\ z &= 0 - 3x_1 + 5(2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2}) - 5x_2^- \end{aligned}$$

After some algebra, the new dictionary after pivoting looks like:

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= 6 + \frac{7}{2}x_1 - \frac{w_3}{2} \\ w_2 &= 6 + \frac{3}{2}x_1 + \frac{w_3}{2} \\ x_2^+ &= 2 - \frac{x_1}{2} + x_2^- - \frac{w_3}{2} \\ \hline z &= 10 - \frac{11}{2}x_1 - \frac{5}{2}w_3 \end{aligned}$$

**P3.**

**P4.**

**P5.**