

$$S = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Ax = b \\ x \geq 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

Two extreme points  $x_1, x_2$  of  $S$  are adjacent iff every  $\hat{x}$  on the line segment joining  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  has a unique convex combination in terms of  $x_1$  &  $x_2$  or a unique convex combination of EP's of  $S$ .

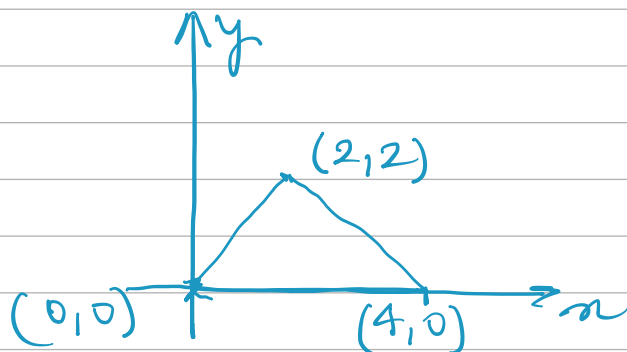
In other words, in terms of BFS,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are adjacent EP of  $S$  iff the set of column vectors

$\{a_j: \text{either } x_j^1 > 0 \text{ or } x_j^2 > 0 \text{ or both}\}$   
 is of cardinality  $(n-1)$ .  
 or

In terms of Basis variables  $x_B^1$  or  $x_B^2$ .  
 One sees only one swap / or exchange of basis variable.

$$B^2 = [x_1, x_2]$$

$$B^1 = [x_1, x_3]$$



$$x_1 - x_2 \geq 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 4$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

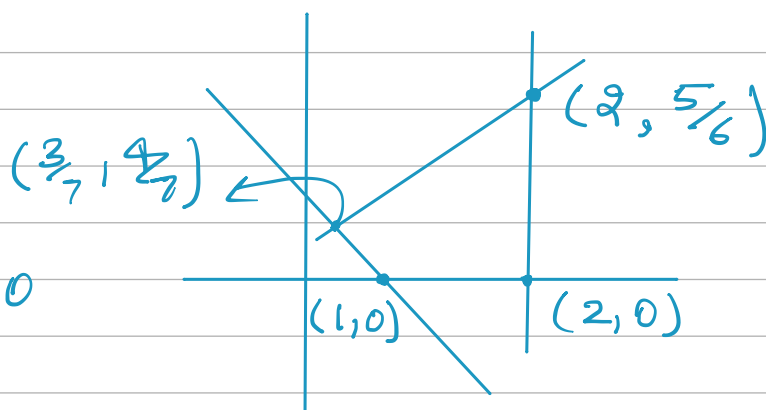
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = A$$

$2 \times 4$

$$x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_4 = 4$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0$$



Result: Let the feasible set  $S$  of LPP be  $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax=b, x \geq 0\}$  where  $A$  is  $m \times n$ ,  $m < n$ ,  $\text{rank } A = m$ .

Then, for every extreme point of  $S$  we have a BFS & for every BFS of system we have an extreme point of  $S$ .

Proof: Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a BFS of the system  $Ax=b, x \geq 0$ .

To prove:  $x$  is an EP of  $S$ . We prove it by contradiction. Let  $x$  be not an EP of  $S$ .

This is like partitioning  $x$  into 2 parts Basic variables & non basic zero value variables

$\Rightarrow \exists$  two distinct points

$x^1$  &  $x^2$  in  $S$ , and a scalar  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  s.t

$$x = (1-\lambda)x^1 + \lambda x^2.$$

Also,  $x$  is a BFS, so.

If a basis matrix  $B_{m \times m}$  invertible

$$\text{s.t. } x = \begin{bmatrix} x_B = B^{-1}b \\ x_R = 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} m \times 1 \\ (n-m) \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{As, } x = (1-\lambda)x^1 + \lambda x^2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_R = 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1} = (1-\lambda) \begin{bmatrix} x_B^1 \\ x_R^1 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1} + \lambda \begin{bmatrix} x_B^2 \\ x_R^2 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1}$$

(indices & order in which we write LHS  $x$  & RHS  $x^1, x^2$  are maintained.)

$$\text{where } x_B^1 = m \times 1, \quad x_B^2 = m \times 1$$

subvectors  $x^1$  &  $x^2$  corresponding to the indices of  $x_B$  in  $B$  & in the same order component.

(indices & order in which we write LHS  $x$  & RHS  $x^1, x^2$  are maintained.)

$$\Rightarrow x_B = (1-\lambda)x_B^1 + \lambda x_B^2$$

$$0 = (1-\lambda)x_R^1 + \lambda x_R^2$$

$$\geq 0$$

$$\geq 0$$

(given in initial condition)

$$\therefore (0 < \lambda < 1)$$

So this eq<sup>n</sup>  $\Rightarrow 0$  only when individual nos are zero.

this gives  $x_R^1 = 0$  &  $x_R^2 = 0$   
multiply both side by  $B$ .

$$B x_B = (1-\lambda) B x_B^1 + \lambda B x_B^2.$$

$$A x^1 = b$$

$$A x^2 = b$$

$$[B \ R] \begin{bmatrix} x_B^1 \\ x_R^1 \end{bmatrix} = b$$

$$[B \ R] \begin{bmatrix} x_B^2 \\ x_R^2 \end{bmatrix} = b$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} B x_B^1 = b \\ B x_B^2 = b \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} x_B^1 = B^+ b \\ x_B^2 = B^+ b \end{cases}$$

$\Downarrow$

$$x_B^1 = x_B^2$$

$$x^1 = x^2$$

(wrong  $\because$  both  
of these vectors  
are distinct)

$\therefore$  our assumption is wrong

$\Rightarrow x$  is not an EP of  $S$ .