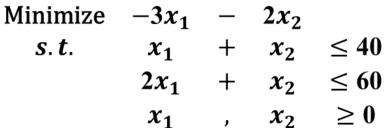
# 最优化理论与方法

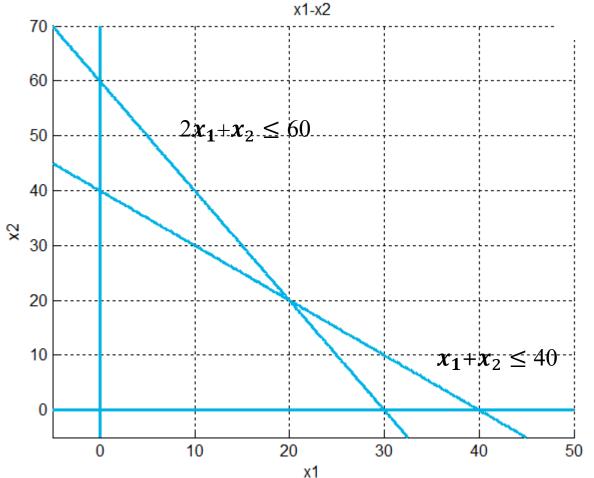
研究生学位课

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- What is Linear Programming(LP)?
  - Optimize a linear objective function of decision variables subject to a set of linear constraints.
  - Example

# • Graphic Representation





$$P = \{(x_1, x_2) | x_1 + x_2 \le 40, 2x_1 + x_2 \le 60, x_1, x_2 \ge 0\}$$

# • LP的线性表示

$$\max(\min) \ z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \dots + c_nx_n$$
 s.t. 
$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \le (=, \ge)b_1$$
 
$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \le (=, \ge)b_2$$
 
$$\dots \qquad \dots$$
 
$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \le (=, \ge)b_m$$
 
$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \ge 0$$
 
$$\max(\min) \ z = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$$
 s.t. 
$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \le (=, \ge)b_i \quad \forall \ i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$$
 
$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \ge 0$$

# • LP的矩阵表示

$$\min z = c^T x$$

$$s. t. Ax = b$$

$$x \ge 0$$

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# • LP的向量表示

$$\min z = c^{T} x 
s. t. Ax = b 
x \geq 0 
x = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ x_{2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n} \end{pmatrix} 
c^{T} = (c_{1}, c_{2}, ... c_{n}) 
A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & ... & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & ... & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & ... & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = (A_{1}, A_{2}, ... A_{n})$$

max(min) 
$$z = c^T x$$
  
s.t.  $\sum_{j=1}^n A_j x \le b$   
 $x \ge 0$ 

#### Linear Program

Recall that the standard form of LP:

Where  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , A is an  $m \times n$  matrix with full row rank,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ 

$$\min \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$$

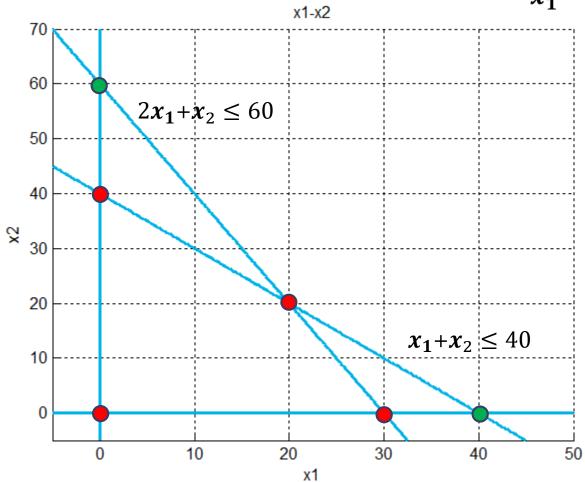
s. t. 
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij}x_{j} = b_{i} \quad \forall i \in \{1,2,...,m\}$$
$$x_{j} \geq 0 \quad \forall j \in \{1,2,...,n\}$$

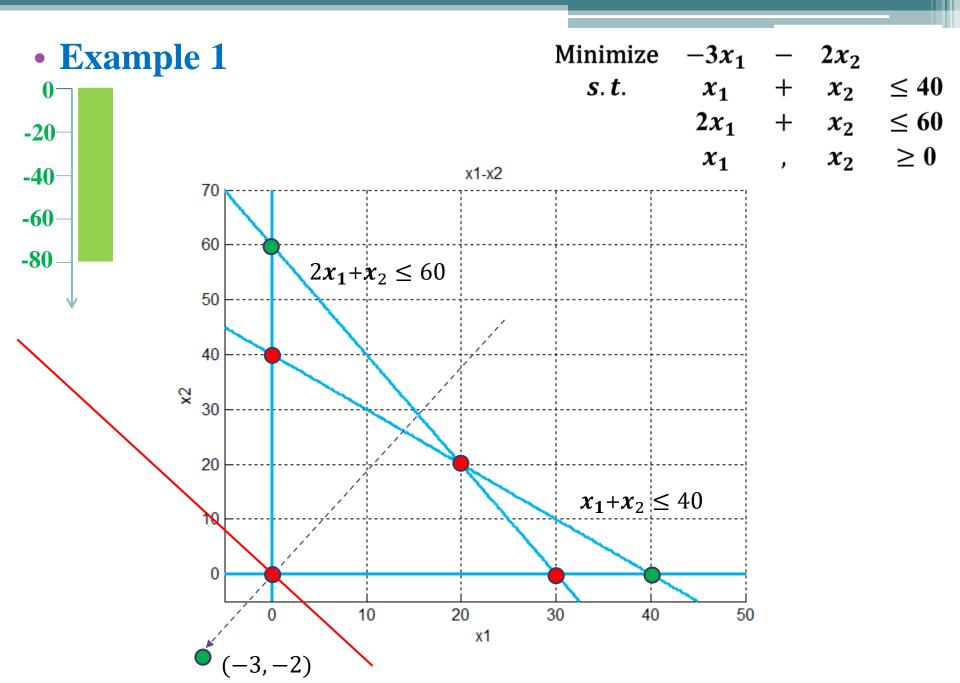
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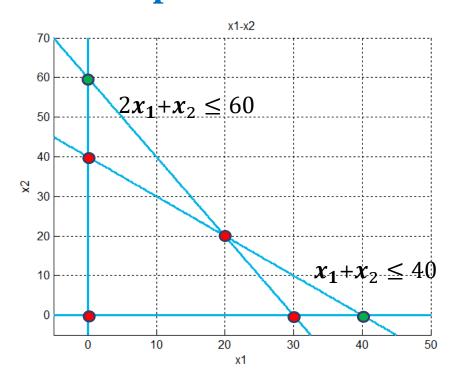
#### Covert to standard form:

Minimize 
$$-3x_1 - 2x_2$$
  
s.t.  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 40$   
 $2x_1 + x_2 + x_4 = 60$   
 $x_1$ ,  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ ,  $x_4 \ge 0$ 

Minimize  $-3x_1 - 2x_2$  s. t.  $x_1 + x_2 \le 40$   $2x_1 + x_2 \le 60$  $x_1 , x_2 \ge 0$ 







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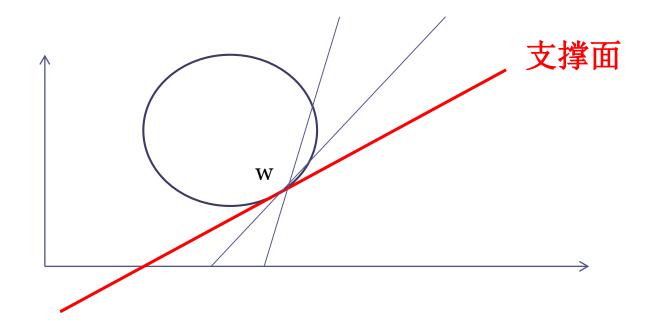
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# • 超平面

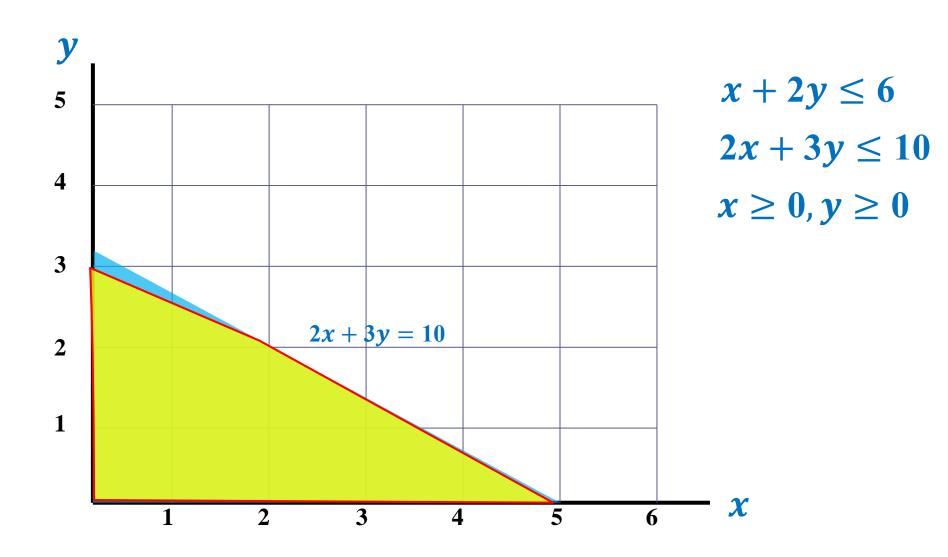
□定义

$$X = \{x | c^T x = z\}x \neq 0, z$$
 为常数,那么: 称X为超平面

□ 超平面将空间分成两部分:  $c^T x \ge z$ ,  $c^T x \le z$ 

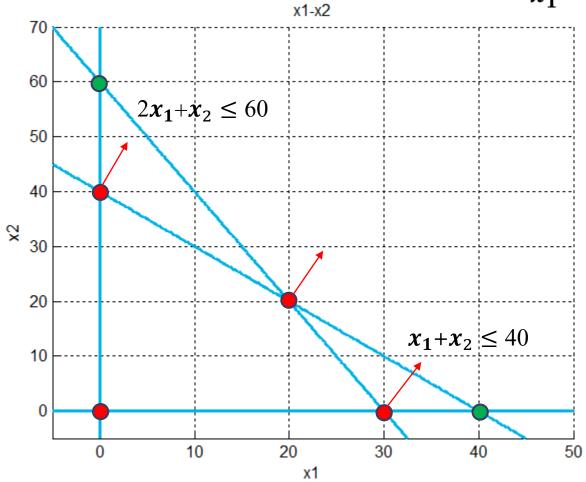


A single linear inequality determines a unique half-plane.



### • Learning from Example

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- Linear Program
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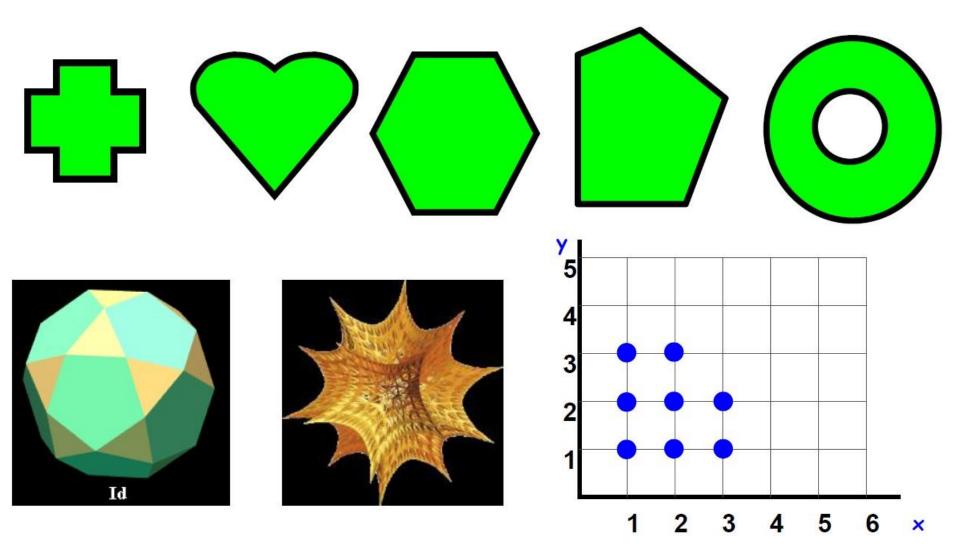
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$$x \ge 0$$

Where  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , A is an  $m \times n$  matrix with full row rank,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 

□ Polyhedron set & convex set :  $\{x \in R^n | Bx \ge d\}$ 

Which of the following are convex? Or not?



# Background knowledge

• Definition: Let  $x^1, x^2, ..., x^p \in R^n, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, ..., \lambda_p \in R$ . And

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i x^i = \lambda_1 x^1 + \lambda_2 x^2 + \dots + \lambda_p x^p$$

We say x is a linear combination of  $\{x^1, ..., x^p\}$ .

If  $\sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i = 1$ , we say x is an affine combination of  $\{x^1, \dots, x^p\}$ .

If  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ , we say x is a conic combination of  $\{x^1, \dots, x^p\}$ .

If  $\sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i = 1$ ,  $\lambda_i \ge 0$  we say x is a convex combination of  $\{x^1, \dots, x^p\}$ .

- Affine set, convex set, and cone
  - Definition: Let S be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

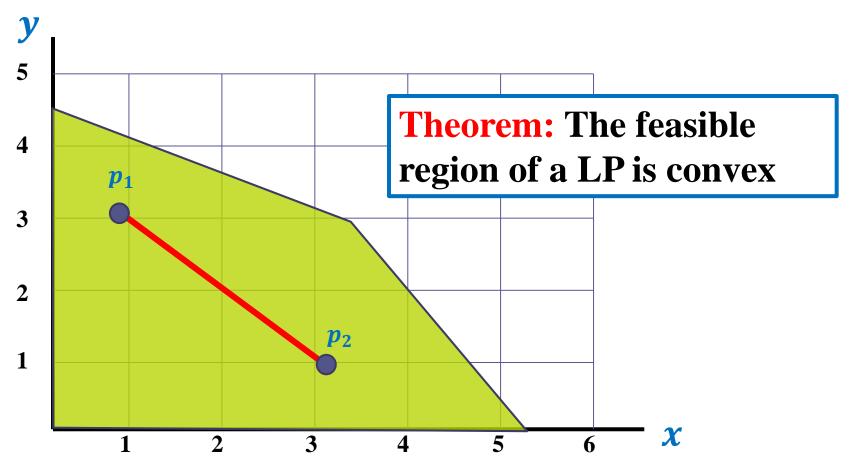
If the affine combination of any two points of *S* falls in *S*, then *S* is an affine set.

If the convex combination of any two points of S falls in S, then S is a convex set.

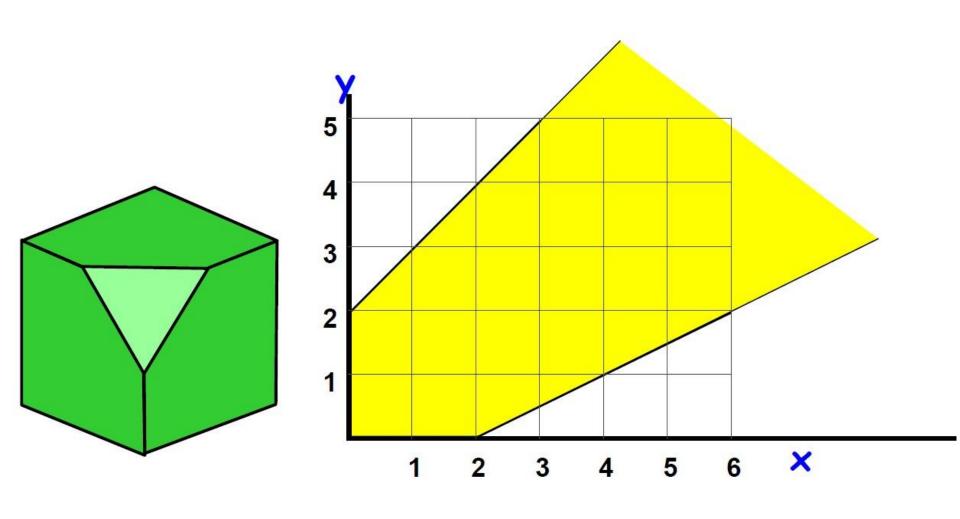
If  $\lambda x \in S$  for all  $x \in S$  and  $\lambda \geq 0$ , then S is a cone.

#### Convex set

Definition: A set S is convex if for every two points in the set, the line segment joining the points is also in the set; that is, If  $p_1, p_2 \in S$ , then so is  $(1 - \lambda)p_1 + \lambda p_2$  for  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ .



• The feasible region of a LP is convex



Ax = b and  $x \ge 0$  means that the rhs vector b falls in the cone generated by the columns of constraint matrix A

$$A = (A_1|A_2| \dots |A_n)$$

$$A_{j} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1j} \\ a_{2j} \\ \dots \\ a_{mj} \end{pmatrix} \qquad A_{x} = (A_{1}|A_{2}| \dots |A_{n}) \begin{pmatrix} x_{1} \\ x_{2} \\ \dots \\ x_{n} \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j} A_{j} \in R^{m}$$

- Interior and boundary points
  - Given a set, what's the difference between an interior point and a boundary points?
  - □ Definition: Given a set  $s \subset R^n$ , a point  $x \in s$  is an interior point of S, if

 $\exists \epsilon > 0 \text{ such that the ball } B = \{ y \in \mathbb{R}^n | ||y - x|| \le \epsilon \} \subset S.$ 

Otherwise, x is a boundary point of S.

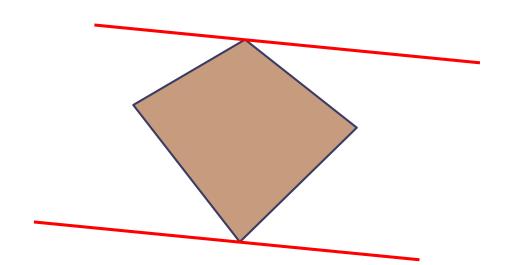
We denote that

 $int(s) = \{x \text{ is an interior point of } S\}$ 

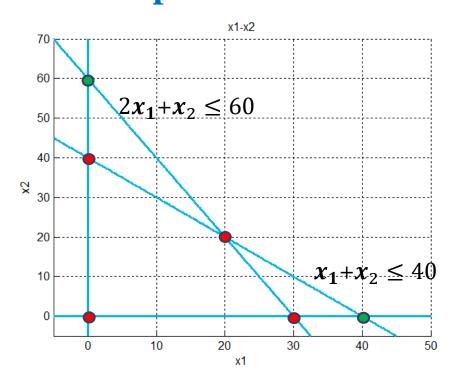
 $bdry(s) = \{x \text{ is an boundary point of } S\}$ 

- Boundary points of convex sets
  - What's special about boundary points of a convex set?
  - Separation Theorem:

 $s \subset R^n$  is convex, then  $\forall x \in bdry(s)$ ,  $\exists n$  hyperplane H, such that  $x \in H$  and either  $s \subset H_L$  or  $s \subset H_U$ . Supporting hyperplane



- Are all boundary points the same?
  - Some sits on the shoulders of others, and some don't.
  - Definition: x is an extreme point of a convex set S. If x cannot be expressed as a convex combination of other points in S.
  - Question: Can you now see that if an LP has a finite optimal solution, then one vertex of P is optimal?
  - Let  $P \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be a given polyhedron. A vector  $x \in P$  is an extreme point of P if there does not exist  $y, z \in P$ , and  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  such that  $x = \lambda y + (1 \lambda)z$



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# What's special?

Vertices

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,  $v^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 30 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 30 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 40 \\ 0 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}$ 

Edge

**Interior** 

$$v^{5} = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 0 \\ 20 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v^{6} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 15 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n = 4, m = 2, n - m = 2$$

# Finding extreme points

Theorem:

A point  $x \in P = \{x \in R^n | Ax = b, x \ge 0\}$  is an extreme point of P if and only if the columns of A corresponding to the positive components of x are linearly independent.

Proof

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An extreme point of P is obtained by setting n-m variables to be zero and solving the remaining m variable in m equations.

- Managing extreme points algebraically
  - Let A be an m by n matrix with m < n, we say A has full rank(full row rank) if A has m linearly independent columns.
  - In this, we can rearrange

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{pmatrix}$$
 where,  $x_B$ : basic variables  $x_N$ : non-basic variables

- A = (B|N) where, B: basics N: non-basics
- Definition(basic solution and basic feasible solution)
- If we set  $x_N = 0$  and solve  $x_B$  for  $Ax = Bx_B = b$ , then x is a basic solution(bs)
- Furthermore, if  $x_B \ge 0$ , then x is a basic feasible solution(bfs).

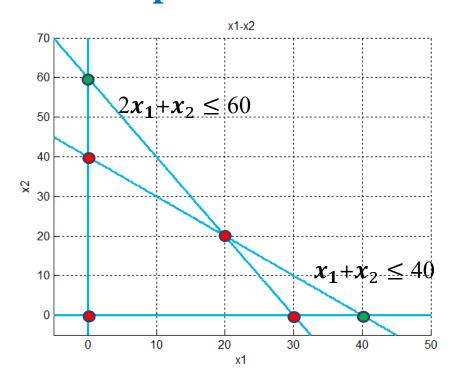
Example of basic and basic feasible solutions

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Linear independence of the columns:

$$\binom{1}{2}x_1 + \binom{1}{1}x_2 + \binom{1}{0}x_3 + \binom{0}{1}x_4 = \binom{40}{60}$$

#### Example of basic and basic feasible solutions



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$$x_1 + x_2 \le 40 \qquad x^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 20 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad x^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 30 \\ 0 \\ 10 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \qquad x^6 = \begin{pmatrix} -20 \\ 0 \\ 60 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$-3x_1 - 2x_2$$
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#### Further results

- Observation: when A does not have full rank, then either
  - (1) Ax = b has no solution and hence p = 0, or
  - (2) some constraints are redundant.

For the second case, after remaining the redundant constraints, new A has full rank.

- Corollary: A point x in P is an extreme point of P if and only if x is a bfs corresponding to some basis B.
- Corollary: The polyhedron P has only a finite number of extreme point. Proof:#of ways to choose m linearly independent columns from n columns

$$\leq C(n,m) = \frac{n!}{m!(n-m)!}$$

- Extremal direction for unboundedness
  - When P is unbounded, we need a direction leading to infinity.
  - Definition:

A vector  $d(\neq 0) \in R^n$  is an extremal direction of P, if  $\{x \in R^n \big| x = x^0 + \lambda d, \lambda \geq 0\} \subset P$ 

For all  $x^0 \in P$ 

- Observations:
- (1) P is unbounded  $\rightarrow P$  has an extremal direction.
- (2)  $d(\neq 0)$  is an extremal direction of  $P \rightarrow Ad = 0$  and  $d \geq 0$

- Basic solutions and Extreme Points
  - Let  $\{x \in R^n | Ax = b, x \ge 0\}$ , the feasible set of LP. Since A is full row rank, if the feasible set is not empty, then we must  $m \le n$ , we assume that m < n.
  - Let A = (B, N), where B is an  $m \times m$  matrix with full rank, i.e.,  $det(B) \neq 0$ . Then, B is called a basic.
  - Let  $X = \begin{pmatrix} X_B \\ X_N \end{pmatrix}$ . We have  $BX_B + NX_N = b$ . Setting  $X_N = 0$ , we have  $X_B = B^{-1}b$ .  $X = \begin{pmatrix} B^{-1}b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  is called a basic solution.  $X_B$  is called basic variables,  $X_N$  is called nonbasic variables.
  - If the basic solution is also feasible, this is  $B^{-1}b \ge 0$ , then X is called a basic feasible solution.

- Basic solutions and Extreme Points
  - $\widehat{x} \in S$  is an extreme point of S if and only if  $\widehat{x}$  is a basic feasible solution.
  - Two extreme points are adjacent if they differ in only one basic variable.
  - (Basic Theorem of LP) Consider the linear program:  $min\{c^Tx|Ax=b,x\geq 0\}$ . If S has at least one extreme point and there exists an optimal solution, then there exists an optimal solution that is an extreme point.
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  - Therefore, we claim that the optimal value of a linear program is either −∞, or is attained an extreme point(basic feasible solution) of the feasible set.

- Basic solutions and Extreme Points
  - Theorem: Let  $V = \{v^i \in R^n | i \in I\}$  be a set of all extreme points of P, I is a finite index set, then  $\forall x \in P$ , we have

$$x = \sum_{i \in I} \lambda_i v^i + d$$

where

$$\sum_{i\in I}\lambda_i=1$$
,  $\lambda_i\geq 0$ ,  $\forall i\in I$ 

and either d=0 or d is an external direction of P.

- Basic solutions and Extreme Points
  - Theorem: For a standard form LP, if its feasible domain P is nonempty, then the optimal objective value of  $z = c^T x$  over P is either unbounded below, or it is attained at an extreme point of P.

**Proof: There are two case1:** 

Case1: P has an extremal direction d such that

 $c^T d < 0$ . Hence P is unbounded and  $z \to -\infty$ , along d.

$$c^{T}x = c^{T}\left(\sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i}v^{i} + d\right) = c^{T}\sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i}v^{i} + c^{T}d$$

#### Basic solutions and Extreme Points

Case2: P has no extremal direction d such that

$$c^{T}x = c^{T}\left(\sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i}v^{i} + d\right) = c^{T}\sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i}v^{i} + c^{T}d$$

$$\geq \sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i} (c^{T} v^{i})$$

$$\geq \min \{(c^{T} v^{i})\} \sum_{i \in I} \lambda_{i}$$

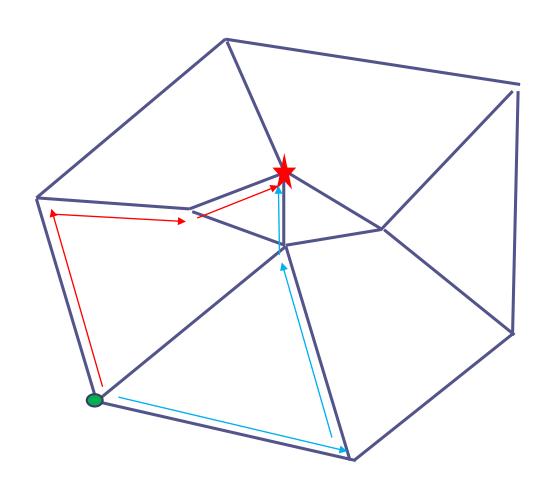
$$= \min \{(c^{T} v^{i})\}$$

$$= c^{T}\min(v^{i})$$

## • Algorithm 1:Enumeration

- Let  $min\{c^Tx|Ax=b,x\geq 0\}$  be a bounded LP
- Enumerate all bases  $B \in \{1, ..., n\}, C_n^m = o(n^m)$
- Computer associated basic solution  $x = {B^{-1}b \choose 0}$
- Return the one which has largest objective function value among the feasible basic solutions.
- Running time is  $o(n^m \cdot m^3)$

• Algorithm 2:Simplex method



Algorithm 2:Simplex method

Step1:(Starting)

Find an initial extreme point or declare P is null

Step2: (Checking optimality)

If the current ep is optimal, STOP. Else Step3:

Step3: (Pivoting)

Move to a better ep.

Return to step 2.

 Property 1: If a bfs x is nondegenerate, then x is uniquely determined by n hyperplanes.

$$A = (B, N), x = \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1}b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let:  $M = \begin{bmatrix} B & N \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$ , Then M is nonsingular and

$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} B & N \\ \mathbf{0} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = M^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & -B^{-1}N \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

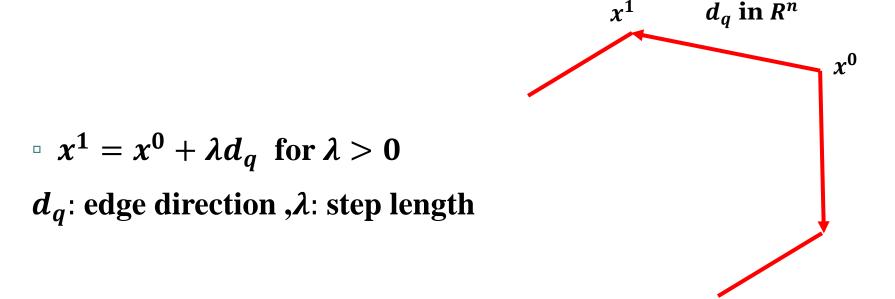
- Under nondegeneracy, every basic feasible solution(extreme point) has exactly n-m adjacent neighbors.
- For a bfs, each adjacent bfs can be reached by increasing one nonbasic variable from 0 to positive and decreasing one basic variable from positive to 0. -Pivoting
- See from the example.

$$x^1 = x^0 + \lambda d_q \text{ for } \lambda > 0$$

 $d_q$ : edge direction  $\lambda$ : step length

### Pivoting

 One nonbasic variable enters (from 0 to positive) the basis and one basic variable leaves the basis (from positive to 0).



Where are these edge directions?

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} B & N \\ \mathbf{0} & I \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{M}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} B & N \\ \mathbf{0} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_B \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} B^{-1} & -B^{-1}N \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-B^{-1}A_{q1}, -B^{-1}A_{q2}, \dots, -B^{-1}A_{q(n-m)})}$$

$$n - m$$

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### Example

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

At vertex 1,  $BV = \{x_3, x_4\}, NBV = \{x_1, x_2\}$ 

$$x^{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 40 \\ 60 \end{pmatrix} \quad x^{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 40 \\ 0 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, N = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 20\\20\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix} \quad x^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 30\\0\\10\\0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{M}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which neighbor is a good one?

Optimality check by reduced cost

- Analysis of step length (minimum ratio test)
- We have  $x(\alpha)=x+\alpha d_q$  for  $\alpha>0$  with  $r_q=c^Td_q=c_q-c_B^TB^{-1}A_q<0$

Case 1: if all 
$$d_q \ge 0$$
, then  $x(\alpha) \ge 0$ . 
$$c^T x(\alpha) = c^T x + \alpha c^T d_q$$
 as  $\alpha \to \infty$ ,  $c^T x(\alpha) \to -\infty$ 

Case 2:  $d_q$  has at least one component<0. To keep  $x(\alpha) \ge 0$ , we have to choose

$$\alpha = \min\{\frac{x_i}{-d_q^i} | d_q^i < 0\}$$

- Algorithm 2:Simplex method
  - Step1:(Starting)Find a bfs x with A=[B|N]
  - Step2: Check  $r_q=c^Td_q=c_q-c_B^TB^{-1}A_q$  if all  $r_q\geq 0$ , x is optimal. else pick one  $r_q<0$ , Go to step 3
  - □ Step3: If all  $d_q \ge 0$ , then LP is unbounded.

else find 
$$\lambda = min\{\frac{x_i}{-d_q^i}|d_q^i < 0\}$$

Then  $x = x + \lambda d_q$ , go to step 2.

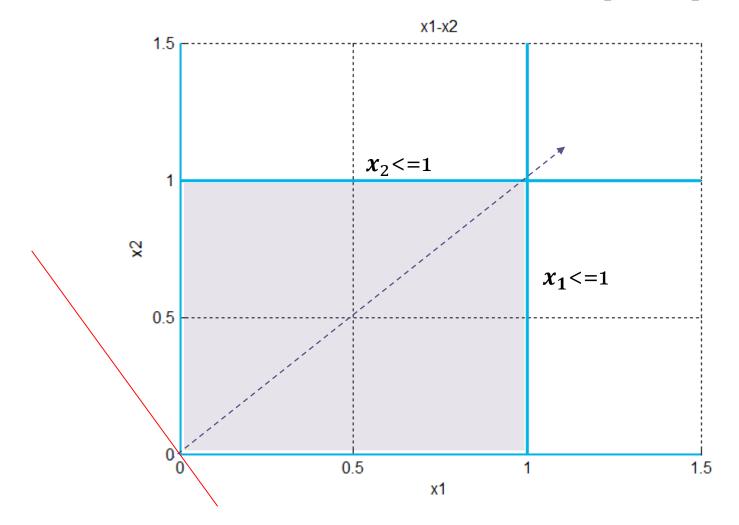
#### • Example 2

Minimize 
$$-x_1 - x_2$$
 $s.t. x_1 + \leq 1$ 
 $x_2 \leq 1$ 
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$ 

#### Covert to standard form:

Minimize 
$$-x_1 - x_2$$
  
 $s.t.$   $x_1 + x_3 = 1$   
 $x_2 + x_4 = 1$   
 $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \ge 0$ 

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- How to start the simplex method?
  - How to get an initial basic feasible solution?
    - -eye inspection
    - -randomly generate (test of luck)
    - -systematic approach
  - 1. Two-phase method (Phase 1 problem)
  - 2. big-M method

- Big-M method
  - Add a big penalty M > 0 to each artificial variable.
  - Combine phase I problem with the original problem to consider a big-M problem:

$$\operatorname{Min} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} x_{j} + \sum_{i=1}^{m} M u_{i}$$

$$(PhI) \quad s. t. \quad Ax + Iu = b (\geq 0)$$

$$x, u \geq 0$$

#### Homework

- Code a lp algorithm using the simplex procedure and,
- 2. Solve the problem:

minimize 
$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 + x_4$$
  
subject to  $x_1 + 3x_2 + x_4 \le 4$   
 $2x_1 + x_2 \le 3$   
 $x_2 + 4x_3 + x_4 \le 3$   
 $x_1 \ge 0$   $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

- 3. For the lp exercise,
- a) How much can the element of b = (4,3,3) be changed without changing the optimal basis?
- b)How much can the elements of c = (2,4,1,1) be changed without changing the optimal basis.
  - c) What happens to the optimal cost for small changes in b?
  - d) what happens to the optimal cost for small changes in c?

- Algorithm 2:Simplex method
  - Simplex method was invented by George Dantzig (1914-2005)
  - Suppose we have a basic feasible solution  $\hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} B^{-1}b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$A = (B, N), x = {x_B \choose x_N}, c = {c_B \choose c_N}$$

$$Ax = b \leftrightarrow Bx_B + Nx_N = b, \text{ and so:} \quad x_B = B^{-1}b - B^{-1}Nx_N$$

$$c^T x = c_B^T x_B + c_N^T x_N$$

$$= c_B^T (B^{-1}b - B^{-1}Nx_N) + c_N^T x_N$$

$$= c^T \widehat{x} + (c_N^T - c_R^T B^{-1}N)x_N$$