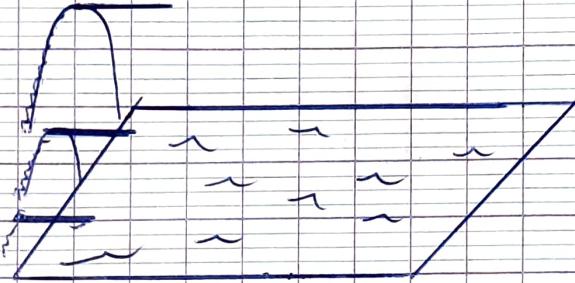


## DIVING CONTEST (BRANCH AND BOUND ALGORITHM)



We consider a diving competition with the following rules:

- ① There are 3 diving boards : 1m, 3m, 10m
- ② Jumping once off the 1m diving board earns 1 point  
" " 3m " " 2 points  
" " 10m " " 3 points
- ③ The aim is to win as many points as possible
- ④ Time constraint: competition lasts 10 min (= 600 s)
  - Climb ladder, jump, swim takes 35s for 1m board
  - " " " 40s " 3m "
  - " " " 65s " 10m "
- ⑤ • Lifeguard forbids more 10m dives than 1m dive,  
" " " 3m " 1m dives

Problem: find the best number of dives (1m, 3m, 10m) to maximize the number of points.

Equivalently, solve:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Max } x + 2y + 3z \\ \text{s.t. } 35x + 40y + 65z \leq 600 \\ \quad \quad \quad z \leq x \\ \quad \quad \quad y \leq x \\ \quad \quad \quad z \geq 0 \\ \quad \quad \quad x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$x, y, z \in \mathbb{Z}$$

First, we solve the problem with  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$

We use the SIMPLEX method

(see Simplex - Algorithm - Linear - Programming)

### STANDARD FORM :

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Max } x + 2y + 3z \\ \text{s.t. } 35x + 40y + 65z + a = 600 \\ \quad -x + y + b = 0 \\ \quad -x + c = 0 \\ x, y, z, a, b, c \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

deviation variables

Let's choose the base  $(x, y, z)$

It's a base because the matrix is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 35 & 40 & 65 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and this matrix is invertible

And this base is feasible because

$$\begin{pmatrix} 35 & 40 & 65 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 600 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 30/7 \\ 30/7 \\ 30/7 \end{pmatrix} \in (\mathbb{R}_+)^3$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 35 & 40 & 65 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 600 - a \\ -b \\ -c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{140} & -\frac{13}{28} & -\frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{1}{140} & -\frac{13}{28} & \frac{5}{7} \\ \frac{1}{140} & \frac{15}{28} & -\frac{2}{7} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 600 - a \\ -b \\ -c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{140} (600 - a) + \frac{13}{28} b + \frac{2}{7} c \\ \frac{1}{140} (600 - a) + \frac{13}{28} b - \frac{5}{7} c \\ \frac{1}{140} (600 - a) - \frac{15}{28} b + \frac{2}{7} c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{30}{7} - \frac{a}{140} + \frac{13}{28} b + \frac{2}{7} c \\ \frac{30}{7} - \frac{a}{140} + \frac{13}{28} b - \frac{5}{7} c \\ \frac{30}{7} - \frac{a}{140} - \frac{15}{28} b + \frac{2}{7} c \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = \frac{180}{7} - \frac{9}{140}a - \frac{3}{14}b - \frac{2}{7}c$$

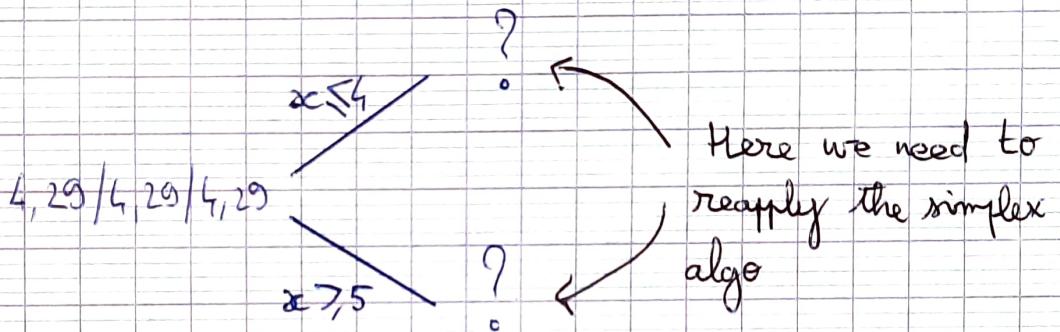
All reduced costs are negative, so the solution  
 $(x, y, z) = \left( \frac{30}{7}, \frac{30}{7}, \frac{30}{7} \right)$  is optimal

$$\frac{30}{7} \approx 4,29$$

But this solution is not made up of integers!

So now we are going to use Branch-and-Bound Algorithm.

First, we have to choose a variable ( $x, y$  or  $z$ ) for branching. In practice, we always take the variable whose decimal part is closest to 0,5. Here,  $x, y$  and  $z$  are equal at the beginning! We can therefore choose  $x$  for branching.



To go faster, let's use Julia and Gurobi.  
I give you the code corresponding to this sub-problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Max } x + 2y + 3z \\ \text{st. } 35x + 40y + 65z \leq 600 \\ z \leq x \\ y \leq x \\ x \leq 4 \end{array} \right. \quad \leftarrow \text{additional constraint}$$

in the file simplex.jl

We obtain

optimal value obtained  
with Gurobi (Simplex  
Algorithm)

(24) 4/4/4

4,29/4,29/4,29

$x \leq 4$

$x \geq 5$

(25,38) 5/5/3,46

We do branching again with  $z \leq 3$  and  $z \geq 4$

(24) 4/4/4

4,29/4,29/4,29

$x \leq 4$

$x \geq 5$

(25,38)

5/5/3,46

$z \leq 3$

$z \geq 4$

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We use  
Julia and  
Gurobi again

We obtain:

(24) 4/4/4

4,29/4,29/4,29

$x \leq 4$

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(25,38)

5/5/3,46

$z \leq 3$

$z \geq 4$

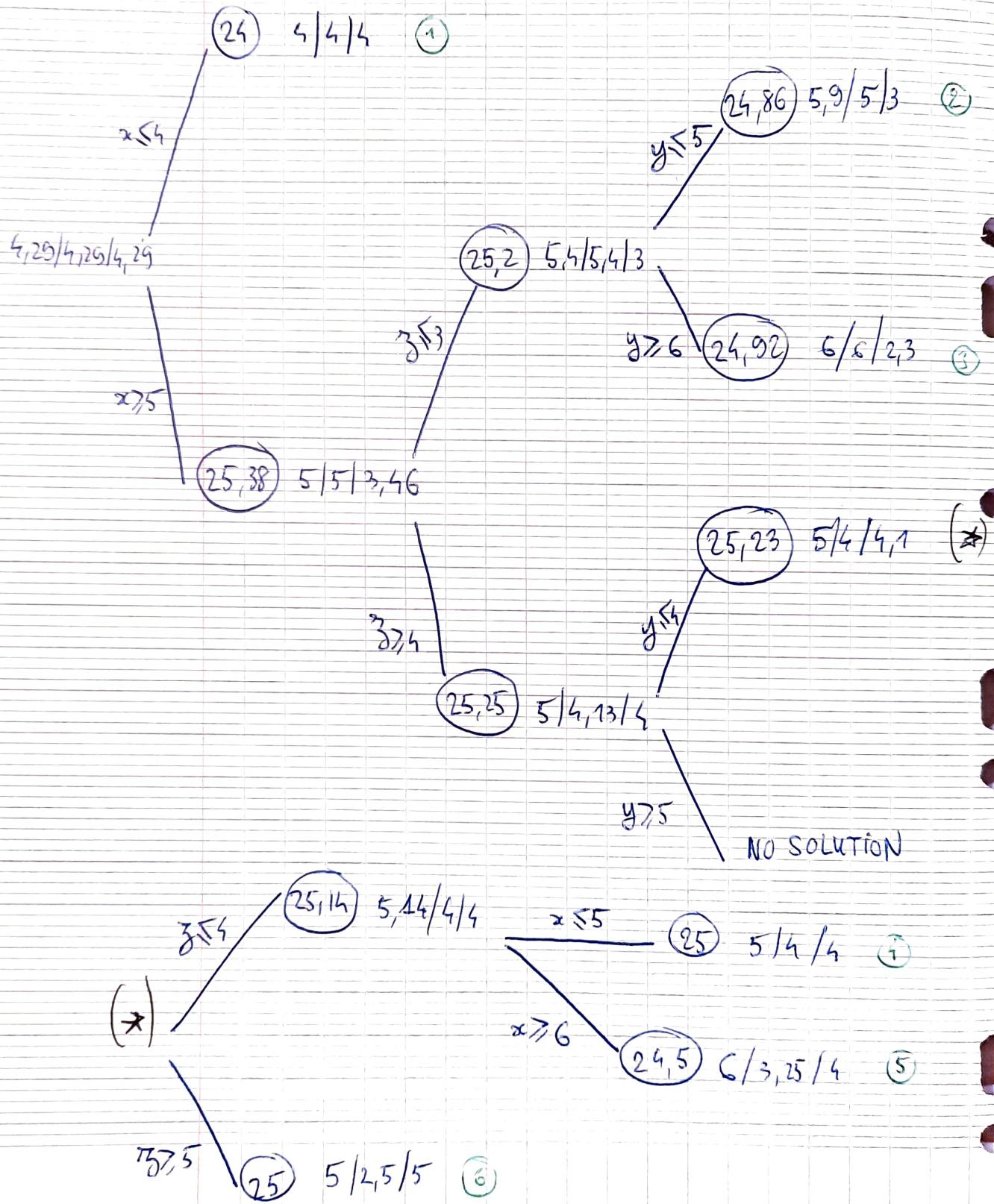
(25,2)

5,4/5,4/3

(25,25)

5/4,13/4

And we continue (steps not detailed) to complete the tree



**Note:** we branch each time a node's solution is not integer. **BUT** we also let our intuition guide us and we don't develop every branch.

How to conclude?

In ③ we have an integer solution with value 25  
⇒ ①; ②; ③; ⑤; ⑥ become useless because they have lower optimum values. Here we used **BOUND** property to eliminate these nodes.

This is why we call this algorithm BRANCH AND BOUND.

**Note:** the important fact is that when you are in a given node, the child nodes will necessarily have a **SMALLER** optimal value because they have **MORE** constraints.

The optimal solution is five 1m, four 3m and four 10m with a total of points of 25 points!

**Note:** of course you can also use Gurobi directly to solve the global problem, just specify that variables are "Int"

@ variable(model, x>=0, Int)