Math 164: Homework #5, due on Tuesday, July 29

No late homework accepted.

Reading: Chapter 6 and Chapter 11.

[1](P187, Exercise 2.13) Prove that if the system

$$Ax \le b$$

has a solution, then the system

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$$
$$\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y} < 0$$
$$\mathbf{y} \ge 0$$

has no solution.

[2](P188, Exercise 2.19) Consider the primal linear programming problem

minimize
$$z = \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{x}$$

subject to $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}$
 $\mathbf{x} \geq 0$.

Assume that this problem and its dual are both feasible. Let \mathbf{x}_* be an optimal solution vector to the primal, let z_* be its associated objective value, and let \mathbf{y}_* be an optimal solution vector to the dual problem. Show that

$$z_* = \mathbf{y}_*^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_*.$$

[3](P194, Exercise 3.1) Use the dual simplex method to solve

minimize
$$z = 5x_1 + 4x_2$$

subject to $4x_1 + 3x_2 \ge 10$
 $3x_1 - 5x_2 \ge 12$
 $x_1, x_2 \ge 0$.

[4](P202, Exercise 4.3) The following questions below apply to the linear program

maximize
$$z = 3x_1 + 13x_2 + 13x_3$$

subject to $x_1 + x_2 \le 7$
 $x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 \le 15$
 $2x_2 + 3x_3 \le 9$
 $x_1, x_2, x_3 \ge 0$,

with optimal basis $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ and

$$\mathbf{B}^{-1} = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 5/2 & -3/2 & 1 \\ -3/2 & 3/2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right).$$

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All of the questions are independent.

- (i) What is the solution to the problem? What are the optimal dual variables?
- (iii) By how much can the right-hand side of the first constraint increase and decrease without changing the optimal basis?
- (iv) By how much can the objective coefficient of x_1 increase and decrease without changing the optimal basis?
 - (v) Determine the solution of the linear program obtained by adding the constraint

$$x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \le 10.$$

[5](P362, Exercise 2.7) Consider the problem

minimize
$$f(x_1, x_2) = (x_2 - x_1^2)(x_2 - 2x_1^2)$$
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- (i) Show that the first- and second-order necessary conditions for optimality are satisfied at $(0,0)^T$.
- (ii) Show that the origin is a local minimizer of f along any line passing through the origin (that is, $x_2 = mx_1$).
- (iii) Show that the origin is not a local minimizer of f (consider, for example, curves of the form $x_2 = kx_1^2$). What conclusions can you draw from this?