

- ① By the 4<sup>th</sup> property the dual problem has a feasible solution  $\bar{w}_0$  with the same value 117.81 for its objective function, i.e.  $z' = 117.81$ . By the 3<sup>rd</sup> property  $\bar{w}_0$  is the optimal solution of the dual problem. By the slackness property b) on page 178, not given in my notes, the  $j$ th slack variable for the dual problem and the  $j$ th primal variable must have product = 0. Since the 1<sup>st</sup> four primal variables are not zero, the first four slack variables of the dual problem = 0.
- ② By the 4<sup>th</sup> property the primal problem has a feasible solution  $\bar{x}_0$  with the same value 125 for its objective function, i.e.  $z = 125$ . By the 3<sup>rd</sup> property  $\bar{x}_0$  is the optimal solution of the primal problem. By the slackness property a) (given in the notes) the product of the  $j$ th slack variables of the primal problem and the  $j$ th variable of the dual problem = 0. Since  $w_2 = 3$ ,  $w_3 = 15$ ,  $w_5 = 5$  are not zero, the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> slack variables of the primal problem are zero.
- ③ If there are no feasible solutions to the primal problem, then by the 4<sup>th</sup> property the dual problem cannot have a feasible solution with a finite objective value. It may, in fact, have no feasible solutions.

④ If the objective function for the dual problem is unbounded, then by the 2nd property the primal problem has no feasible solutions

⑤ By the 4th property the primal problem will have a solution  $\bar{x}_0$  for which  $z = \bar{c}^T \bar{x}_0 = \bar{b}^T \bar{w}_0$  where  $\bar{b} = [12 \ 21 \ 8 \ 25]^T$  and  $\bar{w}_0 = [0 \ 4 \ 5 \ 0 \ 3]^T$ , the optimal solution of the dual problem, are given  $z^* = \bar{b}^T \bar{w}_0 = [12 \ 21 \ 8 \ 25]^T \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 139$

By the 3rd property,  $\bar{x}_0$  will be optimal

⑥ Replace Minimize  $z = 4x + 6y$  by  $\text{Max } z^* = -z$  (or  $\text{Max } z'' = -y_1 - y_2$ )  
 Introduce slack variables to get  
Maximize:  $z^* = -4x - 6y$   
Subject to:  $x + 3y - u = 5$   
 $2x + y - v = 3$   
 $x \geq 0, y \geq 0, u \geq 0, v \geq 0$

Then setup Phase 1

Minimize:  $z'' = y_1 + y_2$

Subject to:  $x + 3y - u + y_1 = 5$   
 $2x + y - v + y_2 = 3$

$$y_1 = -x - 3y + u + 5$$

$$y_2 = -2x - y + v + 3$$

$$z'' + y_1 + y_2 = -3x - 4y + u + v = -8$$

Tableau #1

	X	Y	u	v	y <sub>1</sub>	y <sub>2</sub>	
← y <sub>1</sub>	1	③	-1	0	1	0	5
y <sub>2</sub>	2	1	0	-1	0	1	3
	-3	-4	1	1	0	0	-8

$$\text{Min} \left\{ \frac{5}{3}, 3 \right\} = \frac{5}{3}$$

Tableau #2

	X	Y	u	v	y <sub>1</sub>	y <sub>2</sub>	
y	1/3	1	-1/3	0	1/3	0	5/3
← y <sub>2</sub>	⑤/3	0	1/3	-1	-1/3	1	4/3
	-5/3	0	-1/3	1	4/3	0	-4/3

$$\text{Min} \left\{ 5, \frac{4}{5} \right\} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Tableau #3

	X	Y	u	v	y <sub>1</sub>	y <sub>2</sub>	
y	0	1	-2/5	1/5	2/5	-4/5	7/5
X	1	0	1/5	-3/5	-4/5	3/5	4/5
	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

We have reached the optimal solution of Phase 1. This gives us an initial extreme point 3  
 $x = 4/5, y = 7/5$  for the Phase 2 problem. The value of the objective function for this initial extreme point is  $z^* = -4(4/5) - 6(7/5) = -\frac{16}{5} - \frac{42}{5} = -\frac{58}{5}$

To set up the Phase 2 initial tableau we must calculate a new objective row with zeros under the basic variables

$$z^* + 4x + 6y = 0 \rightarrow \begin{array}{cccc} 4 & 6 & 0 & 0 \\ -4(1 & 0 & 1/5 & -3/5) \\ -6(0 & 1 & -2/5 & 1/5) \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 8/5 & 6/5 \end{array}$$

With this objective row and  $z^* = -\frac{58}{5}$

we get as our initial tableau

(Phase 2)  
Tableau #1

	x	y	u	v	
y	0	1	-2/5	1/5	7/5
x	1	0	1/5	-3/5	4/5
	0	0	8/5	6/5	-58/5

We see that this is optimal. So the optimal solution is  $(4/5, 7/5)$  with  $z = -z^* = -(-\frac{58}{5}) = \frac{58}{5}$

### The Dual Problem

Maximize  $z' = 5w_1 + 3w_2$

Subject to  $w_1 + 2w_2 \leq 4$

$w_1 \geq 0, w_2 \geq 0$   $3w_1 + w_2 \leq 6$

Introduce slack variables

Max  $z' = 5w_1 + 3w_2$

Subject to  $w_1 + 2w_2 + u = 4$

$3w_1 + w_2 + v = 6$

$w_1 \geq 0, w_2 \geq 0, u \geq 0, v \geq 0$

Our initial tableau is

Tableau

#1

$\min\{4, 2\} = 2$

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	$w_1$	$w_2$	u	v	
u	1	2	1	0	4
← v	<span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">3</span>	1	0	1	6
	-5	-3	0	0	0

Tableau #2

	$w_1$	$w_2$	$u$	$v$	
$u$	0	$\frac{5}{3}$	1	$-\frac{1}{3}$	2
$w_1$	1	$\frac{1}{3}$	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	2
	0	$-\frac{4}{3}$	0	$\frac{5}{3}$	10

$$\min \left\{ \frac{6}{5}, 6 \right\} = \frac{6}{5}$$

Tableau #3

	$w_1$	$w_2$	$u$	$v$	
$w_2$	0	1	$\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{6}{5}$
$w_1$	1	0	$-\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{2}{5}$	$\frac{8}{5}$
	0	0	$\frac{4}{5}$	$\frac{7}{5}$	$\frac{58}{5}$

We see that we have reached an optimal solution

$$w_1 = \frac{8}{5}, w_2 = \frac{6}{5} \text{ and } z' = \frac{58}{5}$$

### Verification of (b) iii of the Duality theorem

We have found  $\bar{x}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{7}{5} \end{bmatrix}$  so  $z = \bar{c}^T \bar{x}_0 = [4, 6] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} \\ \frac{7}{5} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{58}{5}$  for the primal problem.

Also, we have found  $\bar{w}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{5} \\ \frac{6}{5} \end{bmatrix}$  for the dual problem and then

$$z' = \bar{b}^T \bar{w}_0 = [5, 3] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{5} \\ \frac{6}{5} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{58}{5}$$

So, we have verified

$$\text{that } z = \bar{c}^T \bar{x}_0 = \bar{b}^T \bar{w}_0 = z'$$

- ⑧ Let  $x_1$  = ounces of walnuts  
 $x_2$  = ounces of pecans  
 $x_3$  = ounces of almonds

Our LPP is then

Minimize:  $z = 12x_1 + 9x_2 + 6x_3$

Subject to:  $12x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 \geq 24$  (lower bound to protein)  
 $3x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 \geq 18$  (lower bound to iron)

The dual problem is then:

(5)

Maximize:  $Z' = 24w_1 + 18w_2$

Subject to:  $12w_1 + 3w_2 \leq 12$

$w_1 + 3w_2 \leq 9$

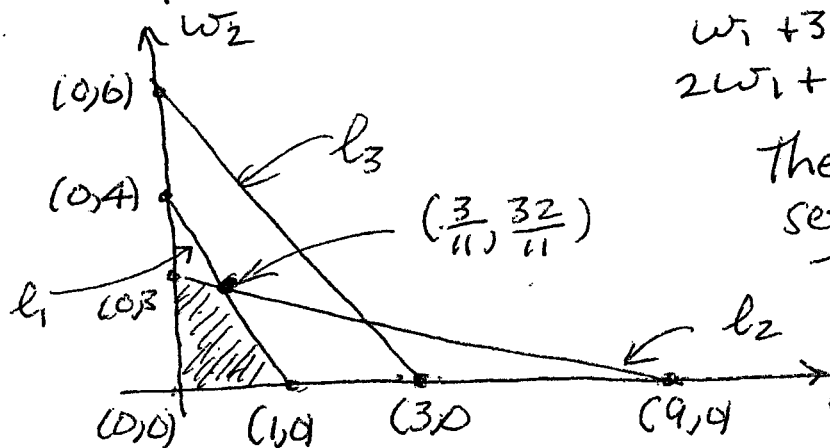
$2w_1 + w_2 \leq 6$

$w_1 \geq 0, w_2 \geq 0$

Graph the three lines  $4w_1 + w_2 = 4 : l_1$

$w_1 + 3w_2 = 9 : l_2$

$2w_1 + w_2 = 6 : l_3$



The shaded area is our set of feasible solutions. The extreme points are  $(0,0)$ ,  $(1,0)$ ,  $(0,3)$  and the intersection of  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ .

Intersection of  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  
$$\begin{cases} 4w_1 + w_2 = 4 \\ w_1 + 3w_2 = 9 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} -12w_1 - 3w_2 = -12 \\ w_1 + 3w_2 = 9 \end{cases} \rightarrow w_1 = \frac{3}{11}$$

So,  $w_2 = 4 - 4\left(\frac{3}{11}\right) = \frac{32}{11}$

The values of the objective function at the four extreme points are: ① At  $(0,0)$ ,  $Z' = 0$  ② At  $(1,0)$ ,  $Z' = 24$  ③ At  $(0,3)$ ,  $Z' = 54$  and ④ At  $\left(\frac{3}{11}, \frac{32}{11}\right)$ ,  $Z' = \frac{648}{11} \leftarrow$  optimal value

We now check to see if there

is any slackness for the optimal solution  $\left(\frac{3}{11}, \frac{32}{11}\right)$

1st constraint  $12w_1 + 3w_2 = 12\left(\frac{3}{11}\right) + 3\left(\frac{32}{11}\right) = 12$  No

2nd constraint  $w_1 + 3w_2 = \frac{3}{11} + \frac{96}{11} = \frac{99}{11} = 9$  No

$2w_1 + w_2 = \frac{6}{11} + \frac{32}{11} = \frac{38}{11} \leq 6$  Yes

① Since there is slack in the third dual constraint the third primal variable must be zero,  $x_3 = 0$

② The 1st and 2nd constraints of primal problem with  $x_3 = 0$  and no slack are  $12x_1 + x_2 = 24$  Solve to get

(since  $w_1 \neq 0, w_2 \neq 0$ )  $3x_1 + 2x_2 = 18 \rightarrow x_1 = \frac{18}{11}, x_2 = \frac{48}{11}$

We have for the primal problem

$x_0 = \left(\frac{18}{11}, \frac{48}{11}, 0\right), z = 12\left(\frac{18}{11}\right) + 9\left(\frac{48}{11}\right) = \frac{648}{11}$

For the dual problem

$w_0 = \left(\frac{3}{11}, \frac{32}{11}\right), z' = \frac{648}{11}$