

**2019 Math 340:101. Quiz 3** Friday, 2019 October 4 IN CLASS

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**Grade**

1. (2 points) Consider the problem:

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{Maximize} & x_1 & +2x_2 & +3x_3 \\
 \text{subject to} & x_1 & & +x_3 \leq 11 \\
 & x_1 & -x_2 & \leq 12 \\
 & 3x_1 & & -x_3 \leq 13
 \end{array} \quad x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$

Write down its **dual** problem. (Do not solve it.)

**Solution:**

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 \text{Dual:} & \text{Minimize} & 11y_1 & +12y_2 & +13y_3 \\
 & \text{subject to} & y_1 & +y_2 & +3y_3 \geq 1 \\
 & & & -y_2 & \geq 2 \\
 & & y_1 & & -y_3 \geq 3
 \end{array} \quad y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0$$

2. (4 points) **True/False** question. **Read carefully.** Circle the right choice. (1 mark for every 2 correct answers.)
- True / False.** At a degenerate feasible dictionary, which is not the final dictionary, the next dictionary in the simplex iteration must be a different dictionary.
  - True / False.** At a degenerate feasible dictionary, which is not the final dictionary, the next dictionary in the simplex iteration must have the same basic solution.
  - True / False.** When a simplex algorithm left a corner point  $P_1$  and moved to a different corner point  $P_2$ , then it might still be possible for it to come back to the corner point  $P_1$  afterwards.
  - True / False.** If a standard form LP problem has no optimal solution, then it is either infeasible or unbounded.
  - True / False.** There are LP problems that have exactly two optimal solutions.
  - True / False.** For a given vector  $\vec{a} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  with  $\vec{a} \neq \vec{0}$ , it must be true that

$$\max_{\vec{x} \in \mathbf{R}^d} \vec{a} \cdot \vec{x} = +\infty.$$

That is, there is no maximum and by choosing  $\vec{x}$ , the value  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{x}$  can be as large as possible.

- True / False.** The function  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  given by  $f(x) = \max[3x+1, 2x]$  is a convex function.
- True / False.** If the primal problem is unbounded, then its dual problem is infeasible.

- True
- False

- c. False
- d. True
- e. False
- f. True
- g. True
- h. True

3. (4 points) Does there exist  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  that satisfies all of the following inequalities? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{array}{rrrrcl} x_1 & +x_2 & +x_3 & \leq & 1 \\ 2x_1 & +2x_2 & -x_3 & \leq & -2 \\ -x_1 & +x_2 & +x_3 & \leq & -1 \\ x_1, x_2, x_3 & \geq & 0 & & \end{array}$$

**Solution.** Use Phase 1 of the two phase method.

The initial dictionary of the auxiliary LP:

$$\begin{array}{rcllcl} x_4 & = & 1 & -x_1 & -x_2 & -x_3 & +x_0 \\ x_5 & = & -2 & -2x_1 & -2x_2 & +x_3 & +x_0 \\ x_6 & = & -1 & +x_1 & -x_2 & -x_3 & +x_0 \\ w & = & & & & & -x_0 \end{array}$$

Special pivot to feasibility:  $x_0$  enters the basis,  $x_5$  leaves.

$$\begin{array}{rcllcl} x_4 & = & 3 & +x_1 & +x_2 & -2x_3 & +x_5 \\ x_0 & = & 2 & +2x_1 & +2x_2 & -x_3 & +x_5 \\ x_6 & = & 1 & +3x_1 & +x_2 & -2x_3 & +x_5 \\ w & = & -2 & -2x_1 & -2x_2 & +x_3 & -x_5 \end{array}$$

Pivot:  $x_3$  enters the basis,  $x_6$  leaves.

$$\begin{array}{rcllcl} x_4 & = & 2 & -2x_1 & & & +x_6 \\ x_0 & = & 3/2 & +1/2x_1 & +3/2x_2 & +1/2x_5 & +1/2x_6 \\ x_3 & = & 1/2 & +3/2x_1 & +1/2x_2 & +1/2x_5 & -1/2x_6 \\ w & = & -3/2 & -1/2x_1 & -3/2x_2 & -1/2x_5 & -1/2x_6 \end{array}$$

This is an optimal dictionary, but the maximum value of  $w$  is  $-3/2$ , nonzero. This implies that the original inequalities do not have a solution.

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