

Mean 68.9, median 71, top quartile 82, bottom quartile 58, high 100 (3 of them!), low 14.

1. (10 points) Find the dual of the following LP:  $\text{Min } z = x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to } & x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 && \leq 15 \\ & 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 && \geq 5 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 && = 10 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0, & x_4 \text{ unrestricted} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & z = 15y_1 + 5y_2 + 10y_3 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_1 + 2y_3 && \leq 1 \\ & 3y_1 + 2y_2 + y_3 && \leq -2 \\ & 2y_1 - y_2 - 5y_3 && \leq 5 \\ & -y_1 + y_2 && = 1 \\ & y_1 && \leq 0 \\ & y_2 && \geq 0 \\ & y_3 && \text{unrestricted} \end{aligned}$$

2. (5 points) A minimization LP is being solved by the big  $M$  method.  $e_1$  is the excess variable in constraint 1 and  $a_1 a_2$  are the artificial variables of constraints 1,2 respectively. The optimal is given below:

$z$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$e_1$	$a_1$	$a_2$	RHS
1	0	$(6 - M)/3$	$-M$	0	$(3 - 5M)/3$	$10M/3 + 4$
0	0	$-1/3$	$-1$	1	$-2/3$	$10/3$
0	1	$2/3$	0	0	$1/3$	$4/3$

Which one of the following statements is true: (Circle one)

The original LP has no feasible solution.

3. (15 points) A company manufactures and sells dog food of two types. Each bag of type 1 dog food contains 2 pds of lamb and 4 pds of turkey, and sells for \$6. Each bag of type 2 dog food contains 1 pd of turkey and 1 pd of lamb, and sells for \$2. A total of 30 pds of lamb and 50 pds of turkey are available. The company manager requires that at most 20 bags of dog food 2 are produced. Let  $D_1, D_2$  be the number of bags of dog food type 1,2 produced.

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 6D_1 + 2D_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 2D_1 + D_2 \leq 30 \\ & 4D_1 + D_2 \leq 50 \\ & D_2 \leq 20 \\ & D_1, D_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

The optimal solution is  $D_1 = 10$ ,  $D_2 = 10$ . Answer the following using *graphical* sensitivity analysis. Graph the LP and show your work!

(a). Suppose the price of sale price of food type 1 is subject to change. For what range of prices does the current optimal solution remain optimal?

$$-4 \leq -c_1/2 \leq -2 \text{ so } 8 \geq c_1 \geq 4.$$

(b). What is the range of values of the third right hand side ( $b_3$ ) for which the current BFS remains optimal?

$$10 \leq b_3$$

(c). What is the most that the company should be willing to pay for another pound of turkey?

Solve  $2D_1 + D_2 = 30$  and  $4D_1 + D_2 = 50 + \delta$ , get  $D_1 = 10 + \delta/2$  and  $D_2 = 10 - \delta$ , plug into  $z = 80 + \delta$  so shadow price is 1.

4. (24 points, 3 points for each part) Answer TRUE or FALSE:

**True** Every balanced transportation problem has a feasible solution.

**True** The big M method can end with an unbounded objective.

**False** At the end of phase 1, if  $w = 0$  then all artificial variables must be non basic.

**False** The basic feasible solutions to a balanced transportation problem are always non degenerate.

**False** A primal problem (P) and its dual (D) must have the same number of variables.

**True** If a primal problem (P) is unbounded, then its dual (D) must be infeasible.

**False** An LP with degenerate Basic Feasible Solutions may have an infinite number of Basic Feasible Solutions (BFS).

**False** The cost of a BFS found by Vogel's method (for a minimization BTP) is always  $\leq$  the cost of the BFS found by Northwest Corner method.

5. (6 points) Suppose an LP is solved twice. Once using the Big M method and a second time using the 2 phase method. Is it possible that the optimal solution to the big M method has all artificial variables equal to zero, and that the optimal solution to the 2 phase method  $w > 0$ ? NO. If the solution to the big M problem has all artificial variables equal to zero then we know the original LP is feasible. If phase 1 ends with  $w > 0$  we know that the original LP is not feasible. These can not both be true at the same time.

6. (20 points) A company produces widgets at 2 factories, A and B. They have orders from 3 customers for May and June as in the table below.

	company 1	company 2	company 3
May	200	310	400
June	450	520	350

The per unit shipping costs are:

	company 1	company 2	company 3
A	\$40	\$28	\$32
B	\$36	\$38	\$24

The production capacity at each factory is 400 a month. The company has 200 widgets in inventory at factory A and 250 at factory B. Widgets can be delivered early but not late. In case it cannot meet demand, it has a contract to buy widgets from another company at a cost of \$700 per widget (cost includes delivery).

Formulate a Balanced Transportation Problem to minimize the costs by giving the cost and requirement table.

	co 1 May	co 2 May	co 3 May	co 1 June	co 2 June	co 3 June	supply
A inv	40	28	32	40	28	32	200
A May	40	28	32	40	28	32	400
A June	M	M	M	40	28	32	400
B inv	36	38	24	36	38	24	250
B May	36	38	24	36	38	24	400
B June	M	M	M	36	38	24	400
buy	700	700	700	700	700	700	180
demand	200	310	400	450	520	350	

Common mistakes: Having one supply per factory (ignoring the months), one demand for companies (ignoring months), setting up 2 separate BTPs one for each month (no possible, since we do not know how much inventory will carry over).

7. (12 points) A company produces and sells chairs and desks. Each chair requires 3 board feet of lumber and 2 hours of labor. Each desk requires 5 board feet of lumber and 4 hours of labor. A total of 145 board feet of lumber and 90 hours of labor are available. Upto 50 chairs and 50 desks can be sold. Chairs sell for \$55, and desks for \$32. In addition to producing chairs and desks itself, the company can buy (from an outside supplier) extra chairs at \$27 each and extra desks at \$50 each. Let  $CM, DM$  be the number of chairs and desks made by the company, and  $CB, DB$  the number of chairs and desks bought from the supplier. Use the Lindo output below to answer each of the following parts.

max	$32CM + 55DM + 5CB + 5DB$	
s.t.	2)	$3CM + 5DM \leq 145$
	3)	$2CM + 4DM \leq 90$
	4)	$CM + CB \leq 50$
	5)	$DM + DB \leq 50$
	objective function value	1715.00000
	variable	value
	$CM$	45.000000
	$DM$	.000000
	$CB$	5.000000
	$DB$	50.000000
	row	slack or surplus
	2)	10.000000
	3)	.000000
	4)	.000000
	5)	.000000

Range in which basis remains unchanged :

OBJ coefficient ranges

variable	current coef	allowable increase	allowable decrease
$CM$	32.000000	infinity	2.00000
$DM$	55.000000	4.00000	infinity
$CB$	5.00000	2.00000	5.00000
$DB$	5.00000	infinity	4.00000

righthand side ranges

row	current RHS	allowable increase	allowable decrease
2	145.00000	infinity	10.000000
3	90.00000	6.66667	90.00000
4	50.00000	infinity	5.00000
5	50.00000	infinity	50.00000

- (a). If the company can purchase desks for \$48, what would be the new optimal profit? Profit from DB increases from 5 to 7, an increase of  $2 \leq \text{allowable increase } \infty$  yes. Same BFS is optimal. new  $z = 1715 + 2 \cdot 50 = 1815$ .
- (b). What is the most that the company should be willing to pay to for another board foot of lumber? 0 dual price of the lumber constraint.
- (c). If only 40 desks could be sold, what would be the new optimal solution (the  $z$ )? Decrease  $10 \leq$  the allowable decrease 50, so same BFS will be optimal. new  $z = \text{old } z + (-10)5 = 1715 - 50 = 1665$ .
8. (8 points) Consider the following (minimum) Balanced Transportation problem: Find an initial BFS for the problem using the min cost method:

	4		3		3		3		100
	3		1		2		3		100
0		50		50					
	6		55		5		5		100
100									
	7		5		5		4		100
50							50		
150	50	50	50	150					