

Feasible region =  $\{x \mid Ax \leq b, x \geq 0\}$ .

and  $b \geq 0$ .

Slack vars form a starting basis.

gives an initial feasible solution.

may not be feasible?

$$\min x_1 + x_2 - x_3 - x_4$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$\text{s.t. } -3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 7.$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 - 3x_4 = -1.$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0.$$

Two phase:

1. Solve an auxiliary problem to determine if LP is feasible, if it is, we find a basic feasible solution to orig LP.

2. Use that basic feasible solution to do Simplex method on orig LP.

Auxiliary Problem: Given LP w/  $Ax = b$   
 $x \geq 0$ .

① for given constraint w/  $A_i x = b_i$  w/  $b_i < 0$ .  
multiply both side by  $-1$ .

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^4} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 - x_4$$

$$\text{s.t. } -3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 7.$$

$$-(2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 - 3x_4) = -1.$$

$$-2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 = 1.$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \geq 0.$$

②. Add new nonnegative vars,  $x_1^a, x_2^a, \dots$

called artificial vars, one for each constraint.

$$Ax = b \rightarrow Ax + I x^a = b.$$

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^4} x_1^a + x_2^a = z^a$$

$$\text{s.t. } -3x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_1^a = 7.$$

$$-2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + 3x_4 + x_2^a = 1.$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_1^a, x_2^a \geq 0.$$

when  $x_1^a = x_2^a = 0$ , reduces to original LP.

If we can find an opt sol to Aux LP, and



opt val is 0, we take that opt sol, discard all aux vars. gives basic feasible sol to orig LP.

If opt value is not 0  $\Rightarrow$  no feasible sol to orig LP.

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_1^a$	$x_2^a$	
$x_1^a$	-3	2	1	1	1	0	7
$x_2^a$	-2	1	1	3	0	1	1
② $-z$	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0
① $-z^a$	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

not complete in the same time.

$\Rightarrow$  get two different solutions.

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_1^a$	$x_2^a$	
$x_1^a$	-3	2	1	1	1	0	7
$x_2^a$	-2	1	1	3	0	1	1
$-z$	1	1	-1	-1	0	0	0
$-z^a$	5	-3	-2	-4	0	0	-8

①. min  $Z^a$ : Pivot on  $X_4$ , remove  $X_2^a$

	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_1^a$	$X_2^a$	
$X_1^a$	$-\frac{7}{3}$	$\frac{5}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0	1	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{20}{3}$
$X_4$	$-\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	1	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$-Z$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{4}{3}$	$-\frac{2}{3}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
$-Z^a$	$\frac{7}{3}$	$-\frac{5}{3}$	$-\frac{2}{3}$	0	0	$\frac{4}{3}$	$-\frac{20}{3}$

pivot on  $X_2$ , remove  $X_4$

	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_1^a$	$X_2^a$	
$X_1^a$	1	0	-1	-5	1	-2	5
$X_2$	-2	1	1	3	0	1	1
$-Z$	3	0	-2	-4	0	-1	-1
$-Z^a$	-1	0	1	5	0	3	-5

pivot on  $X_1$ , remove  $X_1^a$

	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_1^a$	$X_2^a$	
$X_1$	1	0	-1	-5	1	-2	5
$X_2$	0	1	-1	-7	2	-3	11



$-z$	$0$	$0$	$1$	$11$	$-3$	$5$	$-16$
$-z^n$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$0$	$1$	$1$	$0$

$\Rightarrow$  feasible solution:  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (5, 11, 0, 0)$ .

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	
$x_1$	$1$	$0$	$-1$	$-5$	$5$
$x_2$	$0$	$1$	$-1$	$-7$	$11$
$-z$	$0$	$0$	$1$	$11$	$-16$