

AUXILLIARY PROBLEM

Same as min. x_0

$$\max \quad -x_0$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad -2x_1 \quad +x_2 \quad +x_3 = -2 + x_0$$

$$x_2 \quad +x_4 = 4 + x_0$$

$$x_1 \quad -2x_2 \quad +x_5 = -2 + x_0$$

$$x_1 \quad +x_6 = 4 + x_0$$

$$x_1, \dots, x_6, x_0 \geq 0$$

max.	$x_1 + 2x_2$		
s.t.	$-2x_1 + x_2 + x_3$	=	-2
	$x_2 + x_4$	=	4
	$x_1 - 2x_2 + x_5$	=	-2
	$x_1 + x_6$	=	4
	$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_6$	≥	0

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & \mathbf{c}^\top \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} & A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}_s = \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s \geq 0 \end{array} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \begin{array}{ll} \max & -x_0 \\ \text{s.t.} & A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x}_s - x_0 \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}_s, x_0 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

1. Aux. problem cannot be unbounded.
2. Aux. problem is always feasible.

Aux. Problem Always Feasible (Proof)

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$$\mathbf{x} = 0, \quad x_0 = -\min(\mathbf{b}, 0), \quad x_s = \mathbf{b} + x_0 \mathbf{1}$$

Initialization Phase Simplex

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If opt. value = 0 then form initial feasible dictionary for original problem.

Initial Aux. Dictionary

Pivoting Steps*

Final Aux. Dictionary

If opt. value < 0 then problem infeasible.