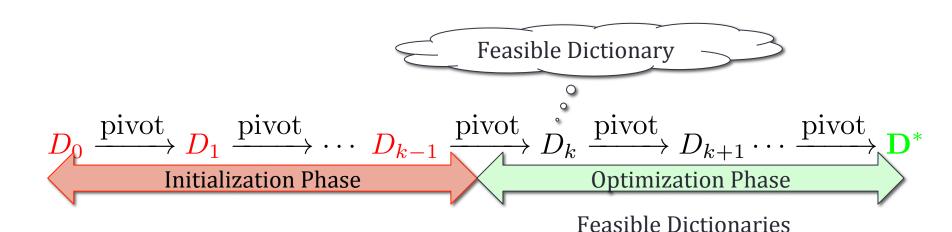
# SIMPLEX METHOD: INITIALIZATION PHASE

How to find a feasible point using Simplex.

## Simplex Algorithm



#### **Initial Dictionary**

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \max & \mathbf{c}^{\intercal} \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} & A\mathbf{x} & \leq \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{x} & \geq 0 \end{array}$$



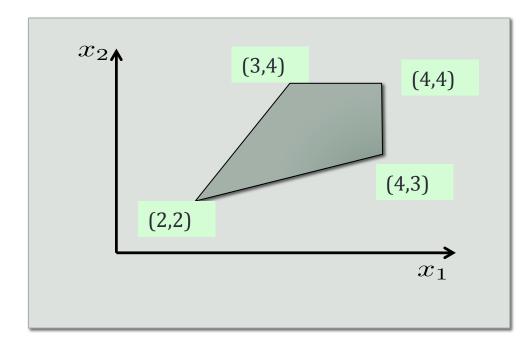
 $\begin{array}{cccc} \max & \mathbf{c}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t.} & A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{x_s} & = & \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x_s} & \geq & 0 \end{array}$ 



#### Feasible?

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{x_s} & = & \mathbf{b} - A \mathbf{x} \\ z & = & 0 + \mathbf{c}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{x} \end{array}$$

### Example



#### Step 1: Adding Slack

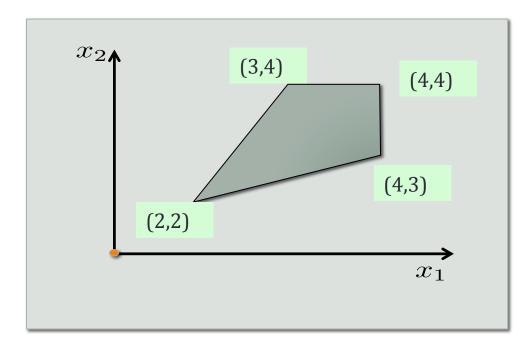
$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{max.} & x_1 + 2x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & -2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 & = & -2 \\ & x_2 + x_4 & = & 4 \\ & x_1 - 2x_2 + x_5 & = & -2 \\ & x_1 + x_6 & = & 4 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_6 & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

#### Step 2: Initial Dictionary

$$\begin{array}{llll} \text{max.} & x_1 + 2x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & -2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 & = & -2 \\ & x_2 + x_4 & = & 4 \\ & x_1 - 2x_2 + x_5 & = & -2 \\ & x_1 + x_6 & = & 4 \\ & x_1, x_2, \underbrace{x_3, \dots, x_6} & \geq & 0 \end{array}$$

$$x_3 = -2 +2x_1 -x_2$$
 $x_4 = 4 +0x_1 -x_2$ 
 $x_5 = -2 -x_1 +2x_2$ 
 $x_6 = 4 -x_1 +0x_2$ 
 $z = 0 +x_1 +2x_2$ 

#### Infeasible Initial Dictionary



#### Initialization Phase Simplex: Overview

- Goal: Get to a dictionary with feasible solution.
  - Alternatively, conclude problem infeasibility.

#### Strategy:

- Modify the problem
- Perform Simplex on Modified Problem.