

## Slides for 6.11

- Consider a minimization problem and how we solve it currently:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & w = y_1 + 2y_2 \\ \text{st} & y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3 \geq 4 \\ & 2y_1 + y_2 - y_3 \geq 6 \\ & y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} \max & w = -y_1 - 2y_2 \\ \text{st} & y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3 \geq 4 \\ & 2y_1 + y_2 - y_3 \geq 6 \\ & y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0
1	-2	1	-1	0	4
2	1	-1	0	-1	6

How to proceed?

- Big M or Two Phase

- What if we do this:

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	-2	1	-1	0	4	-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
2	1	-1	0	-1	6	-2	-1	1	0	1	-6

- Is the current solution *basic*? Yes.
- Is the current solution *feasible*? No.
- We cannot start our usual simplex algorithm.
- However, consider the dual:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & w = y_1 + 2y_2 \\ \text{st} & y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3 \geq 4 \\ & 2y_1 + y_2 - y_3 \geq 6 \\ & y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} \max & z = 4x_1 + 6x_2 \\ \text{st} & x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 1 \\ & -2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2 \\ & x_1 - x_2 \leq 0 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- And the tableaux:

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0	-4	-6	0	0	0	0
-1	2	-1	1	0	-4	1	2	1	0	0	1
-2	-1	1	0	1	-6	2	1	0	1	0	2
						-1	-1	0	0	1	0

- The tableau on the right: We have a BFS.

- The tableau on the left: Basic, but not feasible.
- First step in the simplex method: Col w/largest neg, Row 0

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$rhs$
-4	-6	0	0	0	0
1	2	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	0	2
-1	-1	0	0	1	0

- Second step, Simplex: “ratio test” for pivot row.

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$rhs$
-4	-6	0	0	0	0
1	2	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	0	2
-1	-1	0	0	1	0

- What do these two steps mean for the dual?

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$rhs$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
-4	-6	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	2	1	0	0	1	-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
2	1	0	1	0	2	-2	-1	1	0	1	-6
-1	-1	0	0	1	0						

Largest negative, Row 0 (Primal) → Largest negative, RHS (Dual)

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Ratio Test, Primal: } b_i/a_{ik} \\ 1/2, 2/1, (0/-1) \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Ratio Test, Dual: } c_i/a_{ki} \\ |1/(-2)|, |2/(-1)|, (0/1) \end{array}$$

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$rhs$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
-4	-6	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
1	2	1	0	0	1	-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
2	1	0	1	0	2	-2	-1	1	0	1	-6
-1	-1	0	0	1	0						

## Row Reduce both Primal and Dual

(Primal) Ratio of RHS to pos col value, take the min.

(Dual) Ratio of Row 0 to neg row value, take min (abs value)

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$		$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
-1	0	3	0	0	3	0	$3/2$	$1/2$	0	$1/2$	-3
$1/2$	1	$1/2$	0	0	$1/2$	0	$5/2$	$-3/2$	1	$-1/2$	-1
$-5/2$	0	$-1/2$	1	0	$3/2$	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	0	$-1/2$	3

The current basic solution is:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	
0	$1/2$	0	$3/2$	$1/2$	Feasible, not optimal
$e_1$	$e_2$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	
-1	0	3	0	0	Basic, Not feasible

Next step?

Compare Simplex on Left to the Dual on Right:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$											
-1	0	3	0	0		3	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$				
$1/2$	1	$1/2$	0	0		$1/2$	0	$3/2$	$1/2$	0	$1/2$		-3		
$-5/2$	0	$-1/2$	1	0		$3/2$	0	$5/2$	$-3/2$	1	$-1/2$		-1		
$3/2$	0	$1/2$	0	1		$1/2$	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	0	$-1/2$		3		

Ratio test gives:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$		3	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$				
-1	0	3	0	0		3	0	$3/2$	$1/2$	0	$1/2$		-3		
$1/2$	1	$1/2$	0	0		$1/2$	0	$5/2$	$-3/2$	1	$-1/2$		-1		
$-5/2$	0	$-1/2$	1	0		$3/2$	1	$1/2$	$1/2$	0	$-1/2$		3		
$3/2$	0	$1/2$	0	1		$1/2$									

Now pivot:

Row Reduce:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$											
0	0	$10/3$	0	$2/3$		$10/3$	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$				
0	1	$1/3$	0	$-1/3$		$1/3$	0	$7/3$	0	$1/3$	$1/3$		$-10/3$		
0	0	$1/3$	1	$5/3$		$7/3$	0	$-5/3$	1	$-2/3$	$1/3$		$2/3$		
1	0	$1/3$	0	$2/3$		$1/3$	1	$-1/3$	0	$-1/3$	$-1/3$		$10/3$		

The current basic solution is:

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$											
$10/3$	0	$2/3$	0	0		Feasible									
$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$	$x_1$	$x_2$											
0	$7/3$	0	$1/3$	$1/3$		Feasible									

Therefore optimal.

**Remark 1: Back at the Beginning** Given a min, convert to a max, construct the tableau.

We assume initial tableau Row 0  $\geq 0$ . Why?

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$											
1	2	0	0	0		0	$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$s_3$				
-1	2	-1	1	0		-4	-4	-6	0	0	0		0		
-2	-1	1	0	1		-6	2	1	0	1	0		2		

Row 0  $\geq 0$  for min  $\Rightarrow$  RHS of max  $\geq 0$  (feasible).

### Remark 2

In performing ratio test, use negative values.

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0
-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
-2	-1	1	0	1	-6

What if ratio test fails? Regular simplex? (Unbdd)

Example for dual:

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0
-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
2	1	1	0	1	-6

Conclusion? Infeasible:  $2y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + e_2 = -6$

but  $y_1, y_2, y_3, e_2 \geq 0$ .

Dual Simplex Method can be used for this kind of problem:

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$rhs$
1	2	0	0	0	0
-1	2	-1	1	0	-4
-2	-1	1	0	1	-6

### The Dual Simplex Method (Min)

Convert to max, construct tableau.

1. Assume Row 0  $\geq 0$  (Remark 1)
2. Each excess variable has  $-1$  in a particular row.  
Multiply those by  $-1$ .
3. Find Row with largest negative RHS.  
(No negatives? Optimal)
4. For each non-negative entry in Row 0, abs ratio test  
with negative values in Pivot Row (denominator).  
(Can't do it? Infeasible. Remark 2)
5. Pivot.
6. Repeat from Step 3.

## Example

Solve the min problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 \\ \text{st} & x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \geq 3 \\ & 2x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 \geq 4 \end{array}$$

SOLUTION: Convert to max, write the tableau, multiply constraints by  $-1$ .

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	rhs	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	rhs
2	3	4	0	0	0	2	3	4	0	0	0
1	2	1	-1	0	3	-1	-2	-1	1	0	-3
2	-1	3	0	-1	4	-2	1	-3	0	1	-4

Determine the first pivot position...

Bring in  $x_1$ , perform Row Ops:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	rhs
0	4	1	0	1	-4
0	-5/2	1/2	1	-1/2	-1
1	-1/2	3/2	0	-1/2	2

Determine next pivot... Bring in  $x_2$ :

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	rhs
0	0	9/5	8/5	1/5	-28/5
0	1	-1/5	-2/5	1/5	2/5
1	0	7/5	-1/5	-2/5	11/5

Optimal Solution:

$x_1 = 11/5, x_2 = 2/5, x_3 = 0$  and  $z = 28/5$ .

What happens if we want to bring in a new constraint, like  $x_1 + 2x_2 \geq 4$ ?

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$	rhs
0	0	9/5	8/5	1/5	0	-28/5
0	1	-1/5	-2/5	1/5	0	2/5
1	0	7/5	-1/5	-2/5	0	11/5
1	2	0	0	0	-1	4

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$	rhs
0	0	9/5	8/5	1/5	0	-28/5
0	1	-1/5	-2/5	1/5	0	2/5
1	0	7/5	-1/5	-2/5	0	11/5

Conclusion?

Current solution not optimal. (Check constraint as well)

Note that you could indeed bring the last row in as a pivot row and pivot to get a new optimal solution:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$e_1$	$e_2$	$e_3$	rhs
0	0	$17/5$	0	$1/5$	$8/5$	$-36/5$
0	1	$-3/5$	0	$1/5$	$-2/5$	$4/5$
1	0	$6/5$	0	$-2/5$	$-1/5$	$12/5$
0	0	-1	1	0	-1	1

### Uses of Dual Simplex: Add a New Constraint

By adding a new constraint, there are three possible outcomes.

- Current solution satisfies new constraint.  
Conclusion: Old solution still optimal.
- Current solution does not satisfy new constraint, but LP is still feasible.  
Use dual simplex to incorporate the new constraint into tableau and get new solution.
- Current solution does not satisfy new constraint, new LP becomes infeasible.

### Uses of Dual Simplex: New RHS, New Solution

- If the RHS of a constraint is changed until it is negative, the solution is no longer feasible.
- To find the new solution, we had to start from the beginning again.
- Now, use Dual Simplex to incorporate the new constraint into the problem.

### Example: Change the RHS, get new solution.

Starting (max) tableau and final tableau:

$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$rhs$		$x_1$	$x_2$	$s_1$	$s_2$	$rhs$
-3	-2	0	0	0		0	0	1	1	10
1	1	1	0	4	→	0	1	2	-1	2
2	1	0	1	6		1	0	-1	1	2

By how much can  $b_1 = 4$  change?

$$B^{-1}\mathbf{b} + \Delta(B^{-1})_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \Delta \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$$

We find  $-1 \leq \Delta \leq 2$ . What happens if  $\Delta = -2$ ?

New tableau becomes:

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & s_1 & s_2 & rhs \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & s_1 & s_2 & rhs \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 4 \end{array}$$

Find the new solution by using the Dual Simplex:

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & s_1 & s_2 & rhs \\ \hline 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{array}$$

### Example: Mixed Constraints

In this example, we have mixed constraint types and mix regular and dual simplex methods together to solve the tableau.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \max z = & -x_1 + 5x_2 & \\ \text{st} & \begin{array}{l} 2x_1 - 3x_2 \geq 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \leq 3 \\ x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{array} & \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccccc} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & | & 0 \\ 1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 & 0 & | & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & \\ \hline 1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

Primal and Dual are both infeasible at this point. Try regular simplex (rule of thumb).

Pivot:

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & | & 0 \\ \hline 1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & | & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & 1 & 0 & | & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 \end{array} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccccc} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & | & 15 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 5 & | & 15 \\ -5 & 0 & 1 & -3 & | & -10 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & | & 3 \end{array}$$

Dual feasible. Use dual simplex.

(Find the pivot)

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & | & 3 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 6/5 & 7/5 & | & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1/5 & 3/5 & | & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/5 & 2/5 & | & 1 \end{array}$$

Feasible for both primal and dual- Optimal. Write the solutions?

$$x_1 = 2, x_2 = 1 \quad y_1 = -6/5, y_2 = 7/5$$

Add in a new constraint  $x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 3$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  remain?

- Check constraint:  $(2) + 3(1) = 5$ , so “Case 2”.

- Find the new solution:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & s_3 & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 6/5 & 7/5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1/5 & 3/5 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/5 & 2/5 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & s_3 & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 6/5 & 7/5 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 & -1/5 & 3/5 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/5 & 2/5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -2/5 & -9/5 & 1 & -2 \end{array}$$

Next pivot: (3, 4)

After pivot:

$$\begin{array}{ccccc|c} x_1 & x_2 & e_1 & s_2 & s_3 & \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 8/9 & 0 & 7/9 & 13/9 \\ 1 & 0 & -1/3 & 0 & 1/3 & 4/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1/9 & 0 & 2/9 & 5/9 \\ 0 & 0 & 2/9 & 1 & -5/9 & 10/9 \end{array}$$