

# Solutions to Assignment2

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## 1 Exercise 3.9

(a) We want to solve the following system.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } z = 3x_1 + x_2 \\ &\text{subject to } x_1 - x_2 \leq -1 \\ &\quad -x_1 - x_2 \leq -3 \\ &\quad 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 4 \\ &\quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

We introduce new slack variable  $x_0$  and get a new system.

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 - x_0 &\leq -1 \\ -x_1 - x_2 - x_0 &\leq -3 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 - x_0 &\leq 4 \\ x_1, x_2 &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Our new optimization problem is the following.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximize } z' = -x_0 \\ &\text{subject to } x_1 - x_2 - x_0 = -1 \\ &\quad -x_1 - x_2 - x_0 = -3 \\ &\quad 2x_1 + x_2 - x_0 = 4 \\ &\quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

At this point we know that  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$  and  $x_0 = 3$  is feasible solution. We also get new slack variables.

$$\begin{aligned}
x_3 &= -x_1 + x_2 + x_0 - 1 \\
x_4 &= x_1 + x_2 + x_0 - 3 \\
x_5 &= -2x_1 - x_2 + x_0 + 4 \\
z' &= -x_0
\end{aligned}$$

We pivot on  $x_0$  and get

$$\begin{aligned}
x_3 &= -x_1 + x_2 + (x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3) - 1 \\
x_0 &= x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3 \\
x_5 &= -2x_1 - x_2 + (x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3) + 4 \\
z' &= -x_4 + x_1 + x_2 - 3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_3 &= -2x_1 + x_4 + 2 \\
x_0 &= x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3 \\
x_5 &= -3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_4 + 7 \\
z' &= -x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3
\end{aligned}$$

A feasible solution is

$$x_1 = x_2 = x_4 = 0, x_0 = 3, x_3 = 2, x_5 = 7.$$

Now we pivot on  $x_1$  and get the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= -\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1 \\
x_0 &= x_4 - \left(-\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1\right) - x_2 + 3 \\
x_5 &= -3\left(-\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1\right) - 2x_2 + x_4 + 7 \\
z' &= -x_4 + \left(-\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1\right) + x_2 - 3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= -\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1 \\
x_0 &= \frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{x_3}{2} + 2 - x_2 \\
x_5 &= \frac{3x_3}{2} - \frac{x_4}{2} - 2x_2 + 4 \\
z' &= -\frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + x_2 - 2
\end{aligned}$$

Now we pivot on  $x_2$  and get the next system.

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= -\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1 \\x_0 &= \frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{x_3}{2} - \left(\frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 2\right) + 2 \\x_2 &= \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 2 \\z' &= -\frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + \left(\frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 2\right) - 2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= -\frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1 \\x_0 &= -\frac{x_3}{4} + \frac{3x_4}{4} + \frac{x_5}{2} \\x_2 &= \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 2 \\z' &= \frac{x_3}{4} - \frac{3x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2}\end{aligned}$$

And at this point we can see that  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_0 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = 0$  is a feasible solution. Now we can pivot on  $x_3$  and remove  $x_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= -\frac{1}{2}(3x_4 + 2x_5) + \frac{x_4}{2} + 1 \\x_3 &= 3x_4 + 2x_5 \\x_2 &= \frac{3}{4}(3x_4 + 2x_5) - \frac{x_4}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 2 \\z &= 3x_1 + x_2\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= -x_4 - x_5 + 1 \\x_3 &= 3x_4 + 2x_5 \\x_2 &= 2x_4 + x_5 + 2 \\z &= 3x_1 + x_2\end{aligned}$$

So we get the optimal solution to be  $z = 5$  when  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ .

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } z = 3x_1 + x_2 \\ & \text{subject to } x_1 - x_2 \leq -1 \\ & \quad -x_1 - x_2 \leq -3 \\ & \quad 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 2 \\ & \quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

We introduce new variable  $x_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - x_2 - x_0 &\leq -1 \\ -x_1 - x_2 - x_0 &\leq -3 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 - x_0 &\leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

A feasible solution is  $x_1 = 0, x_2 = 0, x_0 = 3$ . Our new optimization problem is the following.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize } z' = -x_0 \\ & \text{subject to } x_1 - x_2 - x_0 \leq -1 \\ & \quad -x_1 - x_2 - x_0 \leq -3 \\ & \quad 2x_1 + x_2 - x_0 \leq 2 \\ & \quad x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

We introduce new slack variables.

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= x_0 - x_1 + x_2 - 1 \\ x_4 &= x_1 + x_2 + x_0 - 3 \\ x_5 &= -2x_1 - x_2 + x_0 + 2 \\ z' &= -x_0 \end{aligned}$$

We pivot on  $x_0$  and get

$$\begin{aligned} x_3 &= (x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3) - x_1 + x_2 - 1 \\ x_0 &= x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3 \\ x_5 &= -2x_1 - x_2 + (x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3) + 2 \\ z' &= -(x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$x_3 = x_4 - 2x_1 + 2$$

$$x_0 = x_4 - x_1 - x_2 + 3$$

$$x_5 = -3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_4 + 5$$

$$z' = -x_4 + x_1 + x_2 - 3$$

Now we pivot on  $x_1$ .

$$x_1 = \frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1$$

$$x_0 = x_4 - \left(\frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1\right) - x_2 + 3$$

$$x_5 = -3\left(\frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1\right) - 2x_2 + x_4 + 5$$

$$z' = -x_4 + \left(\frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1\right) + x_2 - 3$$

$$x_1 = \frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1$$

$$x_0 = \frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{x_3}{2} - x_2 + 2$$

$$x_5 = -\frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{3x_3}{2} - 2x_2 + 2$$

$$z' = -\frac{3x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + x_2 - 2$$

Now we pivot on  $x_2$ .

$$x_1 = \frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1$$

$$x_0 = \frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{x_3}{2} - \left(-\frac{x_4}{4} + \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 1\right) + 2$$

$$x_2 = -\frac{x_4}{4} + \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 1$$

$$z' = -\frac{3x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + \left(-\frac{x_4}{4} + \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 1\right) - 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= \frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{x_3}{2} + 1 \\
x_0 &= \frac{3x_4}{4} - \frac{x_3}{4} + \frac{x_5}{2} + 1 \\
x_2 &= -\frac{x_4}{4} + \frac{3x_3}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} + 1 \\
z' &= -\frac{7x_4}{4} + \frac{x_3}{4} - \frac{x_5}{2} - 1
\end{aligned}$$

Now we pivot on  $x_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
x_3 &= x_4 - 2x_1 + 2 \\
x_0 &= \frac{3x_4}{4} - \frac{1}{4}(x_4 - 2x_1 + 2) + \frac{x_5}{2} + 1 \\
x_2 &= -\frac{x_4}{4} + \frac{3}{4}(x_4 - 2x_1 + 2) - \frac{x_5}{2} + 1 \\
z' &= -\frac{7x_4}{4} + \frac{1}{4}(x_4 - 2x_1 + 2) - \frac{x_5}{2} - 1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
x_3 &= x_4 - 2x_1 + 2 \\
x_0 &= \frac{x_4}{2} + \frac{x_1}{2} + \frac{x_5}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \\
x_2 &= \frac{x_4}{2} - \frac{3x_1}{2} - \frac{x_5}{2} + \frac{5}{2} \\
z' &= -\frac{3x_4}{2} - \frac{x_1}{2} - \frac{x_5}{2} - \frac{1}{2}
\end{aligned}$$

We get that  $x_0 \neq 0$ , therefore the system is infeasible.