



# 1 Lecture 1 LP Simplex Method p.16

\* Consider the toy-shop example.

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 3x_1 + 2x_2 \\ & x_1 + x_2 \leq 80 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 \leq 100 \\ & x_1 \leq 40 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Revise  
 • Toy-shop Example 8 LP  
 p.1 → p.5  
 • p.10 - p.12  
 Graph. Method of LP

⇒ Canonical form by adding slack variables  $x_3, x_4$  and  $x_5$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 3x_1 + 2x_2 \\ & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 80 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 + x_4 = 100 \\ & x_1 + x_5 = 40 \end{aligned}$$

## 1 \* Starting feasible solution

Let  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$

⇒  $x_3 = 80, x_4 = 100, x_5 = 40$

BFS basic feasible solution

In a pb with  $n$  variables and  $m$  constraints a solution where at least  $(n-m)$  variables are zero is a basic solution.

⇒ Basic solutions are precisely the corner points of the feasible region.

Here  $x_1, x_2$  are NBV non-basic variables while  $x_3, x_4$  and  $x_5$  are BV basic variables (basis).

## • Dictionary

A dictionary lists values of basic variables as a function of non-basic variables.

Now,  $\max 3x_1 + 2x_2$

$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 80$

$2x_1 + x_2 + x_4 = 100$

$x_1 + x_5 = 40$

$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \geq 0$

BV

$x_3 = 80 - x_1 - x_2$

$x_4 = 100 - 2x_1 - x_2$

$x_5 = 40 - x_1$

$z = 0 + 3x_1 + 2x_2$

Dictionary

• Note that:  $x_1, x_2$  are indep. (non-basic) variables  
 $x_3, x_4$  and  $x_5$  are dependent (basic) variables  
i.e.  $\{x_3, x_4, x_5\}$  is a basis.



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So, the initial basic feasible solution for our LP is  $x_1 = x_2 = 0, x_3 = 80, x_4 = 100, x_5 = 40$  with value  $z = 0$ .

2 \* Improving the solution  
First by increasing  $x_1$  (Consider  $x_1$  as incoming variable).  
Note that  $x_1$  has a +ve coefficient in the  $z$ -eqn.

Ratio test

$x_3: \frac{80}{1} = 80$ ,  $x_4: \frac{100}{2} = 50$ ,  $x_5: \frac{40}{1} = 40$   
*(Arrows point from the denominators to the variables  $x_1$  in the original equations)*

Minimum achieved with  $x_5 \Rightarrow$  outgoing variable

\* Express  $x_1$  from the eqn for  $x_5$   
 $x_5 = 40 - x_1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 40 - x_5$   
*(Arrow points from  $x_1$  to 'incoming variable')*

\* New Dictionary

$x_1 = 40 - x_5$   
 $x_3 = 80 - (40 - x_5) - x_2$   
 $x_4 = 100 - 2(40 - x_5) - x_2$   
 $z = 0 + 3(40 - x_5) + 2x_2$

BV

$x_1 = 40$	$-x_5$
$x_3 = 40 - x_2$	$+x_5$
$x_4 = 20 - x_2 + 2x_5$	
$z = 120 + 2x_2 - 3x_5$	

Note that:  $\{x_1, x_3, x_4\}$  is a basis

So, the basic feasible solution for the LP is  $x_1 = 40, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 40, x_4 = 20, x_5 = 0$  and  $z = 120$

We pick the variable which having +ve coefficient in the  $z$ -eqn

3 \* Improving the solution  
By increasing  $x_2$  (Consider  $x_2$  as incoming variable)  
Note that  $x_2$  has a +ve coefficient in the  $z$ -eqn.

Ratio test  $x_1$ : doesn't contain  $x_2$  (no constraint),  $x_3: \frac{40}{1} = 40$ ,  $x_4: \frac{20}{1} = 20$   
*(Arrows point from the denominators to the variables  $x_2$  in the original equations)*

Minimum achieved for  $x_4 \Rightarrow$  outgoing variable  
 $\Rightarrow x_2 = 20 - x_4 + 2x_5$



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\* New Dictionary

$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 40 && -x_5 \\ x_2 &= 20 && -x_4 + 2x_5 \\ x_3 &= 40 && -(20 - x_4 + 2x_5) + x_5 \end{aligned}$	$\Rightarrow$	$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 40 && -x_5 \\ x_2 &= 20 && -x_4 + 2x_5 \\ x_3 &= 20 && +x_4 - x_5 \end{aligned}$
$z = 120 + 2(20 - x_4 + 2x_5) - 3x_5$		$z = 160 - 2x_4 + x_5$

4 Improving the solution  
\* Consider  $x_5$  be incoming variable ( $x_5$  has a +ve coeff. in the eqn of  $z$ )

Ratio test  $x_1: \frac{40}{1} = 40$ ,  $x_2$ : contains a +ve coeff. for  $x_5$ ,  $x_3: \frac{20}{1} = 20$   
(no constraint) ✓

Minimum achieved for  $x_3 \rightarrow$  outgoing variable  
 $\Rightarrow x_5 = 20 - x_3 + x_4$

\* New Dictionary

$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 40 && -(20 - x_3 + x_4) \\ x_2 &= 20 && -x_4 + 2(20 - x_3 + x_4) \\ x_5 &= 20 - x_3 + x_4 \end{aligned}$	$\Rightarrow$	$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 20 + x_3 - x_4 \\ x_2 &= 60 - 2x_3 + x_4 \\ x_5 &= 20 - x_3 + x_4 \end{aligned}$
$z = 160 - 2x_4 + (20 - x_3 + x_4)$		$z = 180 - x_3 - x_4$

If no variable appears with a positive coefficient in the eqn for  $z$  then stop and consider the current solution is the optimal solution.

$\therefore$  The optimal soln is

$x_1 = 20, x_2 = 60, x_3 = 0, x_4 = 0, x_5 = 20$

where  $z = 180$  (max. profit).

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