

PART I: LINEAR OPTIMIZATION

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Linear Programming (LP) is the problem of maximizing or minimizing a linear function subject to a finite number of linear constraints.

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DEFINITION

A function $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is linear if $f(x) = \alpha^T x$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

EXAMPLES

$$f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$f(x) = x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3$$

$$f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$f(x) = -5x_1 + \frac{1}{2}x_2$$

DEFINITION

A linear constraint is a constraint that takes one of the following three forms:

1. $g(x) \geq b$ or

2. $g(x) = b$ or

3. $g(x) \leq b$

where $g(x)$ is a linear function
and $b \in \mathbb{R}$.

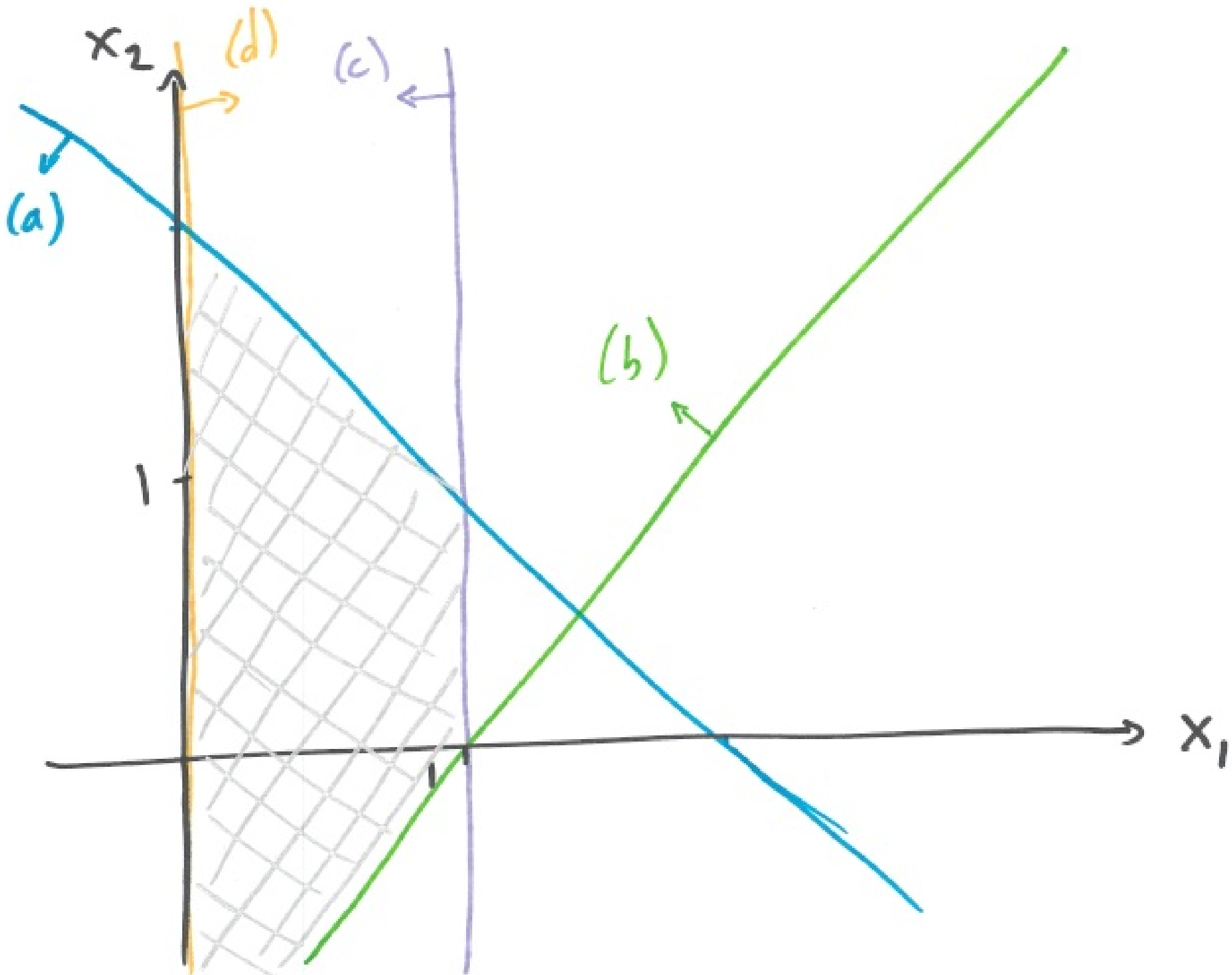
EXAMPLES

$$5x_1 + 0.3x_2 - x_3 = 5$$

$$12.7x_2 - x_5 \leq 4.3$$

A complete LP:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & 3x_1 - x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 + x_2 \leq 2 \quad (a) \\ & x_1 - x_2 \leq 1 \quad (b) \\ & x_1 \leq 1 \quad (c) \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \quad (d) \end{array}$$



Quiz

1) $\max x_1$
s.t. $x_2 + x_3 < 3$
 $x_1 - x_4 \geq 1$

NOT AN LP

2) $\max 3x_1 - x_2$
s.t. $x_1 \geq 3$
 $x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 1$

NOT AN LP

3) $\min x_1 + x_2$
s.t. $x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1$

NOT AN LP

4) $\min x_1 + x_2$
s.t. $a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 \leq 1, \forall (a_1, a_2) \in \{(1,0), (0,1), (1,1)\}$

IS AN LP (FINITE SET)



Note: why not " $>$ "?

example: $\min x$
s.t. $x > 1$

↪ undefined: $x = 1$ infeasible
 $x = 1.00001$ not optimal

Note: $\min c^T x = -\max(-c^T x)$

• $g(x) \geq b \iff (-g)(x) \leq -b$

• $g(x) = b \iff \begin{cases} g(x) \geq b \\ g(x) \leq b \end{cases}$

A **Linear Programming (LP)** is characterized by

- ▶ decision variables,
- ▶ a linear objective function,
- ▶ a (finite) number of linear constraints.

Example 1

A company produces NH_3 and NH_4Cl .

component	stock
N	50 kmol
H	180 kmol
Cl	40 kmol

product	revenue
NH_3	\$40 / kmol
NH_4Cl	\$50 / kmol

Plan production to maximize profit.

Example 1

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & 40x_1 + 50x_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & x_1 + x_2 \leq 50 \\ & 3x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 180 \\ & x_2 \leq 40 \\ & x_1 \geq 0 \\ & x_2 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

Example 1

```
@variable(model, x1)
@variable(model, x2)

@objective(model, Max,      40 * x1 + 50 * x2      )

@constraint(model, N,      x1 +      x2 <= 50  )
@constraint(model, H,      3 * x1 + 4 * x2 <= 180 )
@constraint(model, Cl,      x2 <= 40  )
@constraint(model, NH3,      x1      >= 0  )
@constraint(model, NH4Cl,      x2 >= 0  )
```

Example 1

```
julia> optimize!(model)
```

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julia> objective_value(model)  
2300.0
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julia> value(x1)  
20.000000000000000004
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julia> value(x2)  
29.999999999999999996
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Tricks:

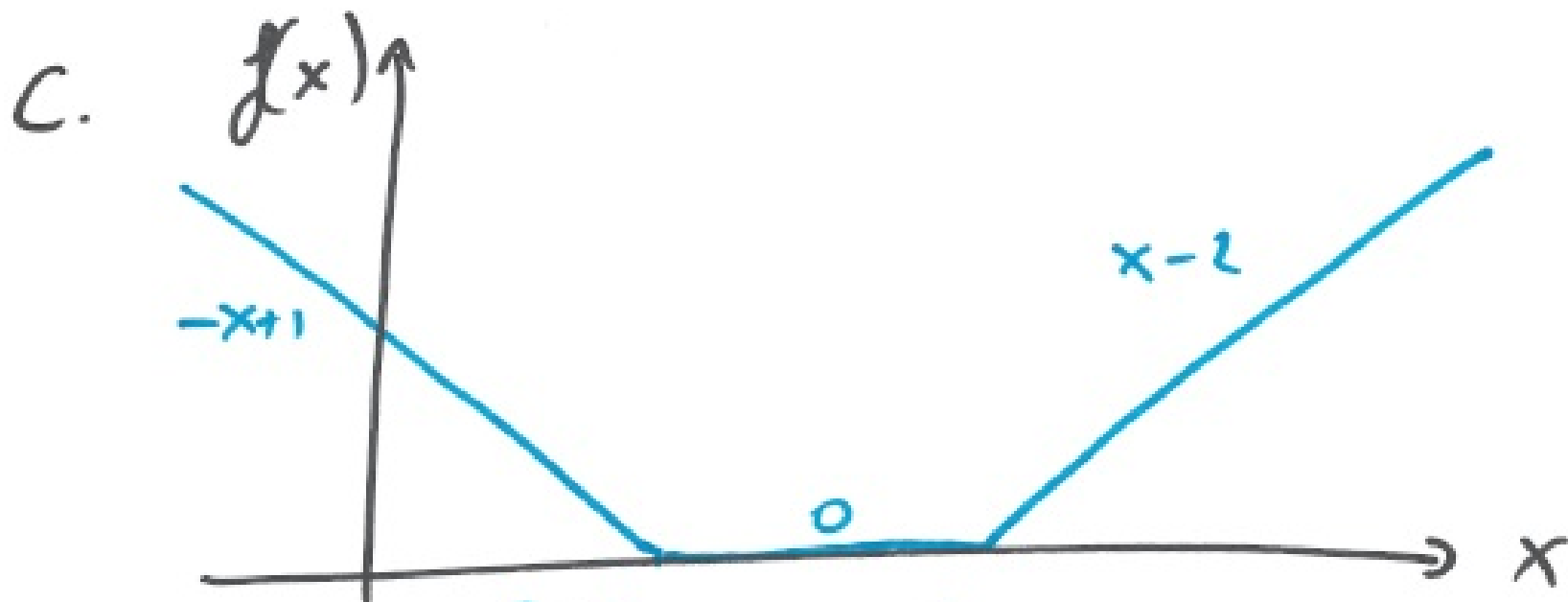
A. $\min x_3$
s.t. $|2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3| \leq 8$

↳ $\min x_3$
s.t. $y = 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3$
 $-8 \leq y \leq 8$

B. $\min |2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3|$

s.t. (...)

↳ $\min y$
s.t. $-y \leq 2x_1 - 3x_2 + 5x_3 \leq y$
(...)



$$f(x) = \max\{-x+1, 0, x-2\}$$

min (...)

s.t. $\max\{-x+1, 0, x-2\} \leq 4$

↳ min (...)

s.t. $-x+1 \leq 4$

$$0 \leq 4$$

$$x-2 \leq 4$$