

Previous lecture

$$\text{Let } c' = c + \theta e_j$$

B stays optimal if

$$\begin{cases} \bar{c}_j + \theta \geq 0 & \text{if } j \notin B \\ \bar{c}_N - \theta e_i^T B^{-1} N \geq 0 & \text{if } j \in B \end{cases} \quad (*)$$

j is i^{th} basic var

$$(*) \quad \bar{c} - \theta (i^{\text{th}} \text{ tableau row with zeros for } \bar{A}_{ij}) \geq 0$$

Q6 What is the allowable range for c_5 ?

Note: x_5 is the 3rd basic variable

↳ 3rd tableau row, with zero for basic var

$$[0 \ 0 \ 60 \ 40 \ 0] - \theta [0 \ 0 \ 0.4 \ -0.9 \ 0] \geq 0$$

$$[0 \ 0 \ \underbrace{60 - 0.4\theta}_{\text{non basic variables}} \ \underbrace{40 + 0.9\theta}_{\text{variables}} \ 0] \geq 0$$

$$\begin{cases} 60 - 0.4\theta \geq 0 \\ 40 + 0.9\theta \geq 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \theta \leq 150 \\ \theta \geq -44.44 \end{cases}$$

allowable range for c_5 : $\theta \in [-44.44, 150]$
(for original max problem: $\theta \in [-150, 44.44]$)

Q7 Allowable range for c_3 ?

Note: x_3 nonbasic

$$\bar{c}_3 + \theta \geq 0$$

$$60 + \theta \geq 0$$

$$\theta \geq -60$$

allowable range: $\theta \in [-60, +\infty[$

for max problem, $\theta \in]-\infty, 60]$

Adding a new variable

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax = b \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{aligned} \quad (P)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & [c^T \ p] x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & [A \ f] x = b \\ & x \geq 0 \\ & x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \end{aligned} \quad (P')$$

Theorem Let B be optimal for (P) .

B is optimal for (P') if and only if $\bar{z}_{n+1} = p - y^{*T} f \geq 0$, where y^* is the dual solution associated to B .

proof B is optimal for $(P) \Rightarrow$

$$\bar{b} = B^{-1}b \geq 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\bar{c}^T = c^T - c_B^T B^{-1}A \geq 0 \quad (2)$$

B is optimal for (P') iff

$$\bar{b}' = B^{-1}b' = B^{-1}b = \bar{b} \geq 0$$

$$\bar{c}'^T = c'^T - c_B'^T B^{-1}A' \geq 0$$

always holds, by (1)

$$\Leftrightarrow [c^T \quad p] - c_B^T B^{-1} [A \quad f] \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [c^T - c_B^T B^{-1} A \quad p - c_B^T B^{-1} f] \geq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [\bar{c} \quad p - y^{*T} f] \geq 0$$

$c_0 \geq 0$ by (2)

Since $y^* = B^{-1T} c_B$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{c} \geq 0 \\ p - y^{*T} f \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \quad (\text{always true})$$

Q8 Wrenches can be sold for a fixed price 100 and are produced from

2 kg steel, 1 rivet, 0.4 kg plastic

Should House Depot enter the wrench market?

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{min} \\ \text{s.t.} \end{array} \begin{bmatrix} -130 & -100 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -100 \\ 1.5 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 27 \\ 21 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Observation: Let B be optimal for (P) .

(P) does not have x_6 , so

B is optimal (P')

$\Leftrightarrow x_6$ is nonbasic at optimality

\Leftrightarrow its reduced cost $\bar{c}_6 \geq 0$

$$\text{We have } \bar{c}_6 = p - y^{*T} f = (-100) - [-60 \ -90 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \\ = -100 - (-160) = 60 \geq 0$$

$\Rightarrow B$ is optimal for (P')

x_6 is nonbasic at optimality

$$x_6^* = 0$$

Producing wrenches is not profitable

Q9 What happens if B is not optimal for (P') .

Changing nonbasic cost / add variable

- one reduced cost is negative
- apply simplex method, starting at B
- modified variable enters the basis
- in practice, only one or few pivots

necessary

Changing basic cost

- typically, few reduced costs become negative
- same as above

Changing RHS

- reduced costs remain ≥ 0
- typically, few components of \bar{b} become negative
- could not start simplex method at B .

\Rightarrow dual simplex method

Dual simplex method

(primal) simplex method

- maintains $\bar{b} \geq 0$
- achieves $\bar{c} \geq 0$

dual simplex method

- maintains $\bar{c} \geq 0$
- achieves $\bar{b} \geq 0$

Example tableau:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Min} \\ \text{s.t.} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} (x_1) \\ (x_2) \\ (x_3) \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \underline{3}x_4 + \underline{2}x_5 \\ -2x_4 - x_5 = \underline{-2} \\ -x_4 + x_5 = 1 \\ + 2x_5 = 1 \end{array}$$

- A negative variable will leave the basis
→ x_1 leaves B , x_e enters for $e \in \{4, 5\}$
- In the next tableau, we need $\bar{c}_j \geq 0 \quad \forall j$
 $\bar{c}_e = 0$

• Can be achieved by adding λ times the first row to the objective function (i.e. adding constant $\lambda \cdot (-2)$).

• we will have

$$\text{(constant +)} \min \lambda x_1 + (3-2\lambda)x_4 + (2-\lambda)x_5$$

$$\cdot \bar{c}'_1 = \bar{c}_1 + \lambda = 0 + \lambda = \lambda \geq 0 \quad (*)$$

$$\cdot \bar{c}'_e = \bar{c}_e + \lambda \bar{A}_{1e} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{\bar{c}_e}{-\bar{A}_{1e}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{by } (*), \lambda = \frac{\bar{c}_e}{-\bar{A}_{1e}} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \bar{A}_{1e} < 0$$

$$\cdot \forall j \neq e, \quad \bar{c}'_j = \bar{c}_j + \lambda \bar{A}_{ij} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\lambda \bar{A}_{ij}}_{\substack{\geq 0 \\ \text{by } (*)}} \geq \underbrace{-\bar{c}_j}_{\leq 0}$$

• always true if $\bar{A}_{ij} \geq 0$

• if $\bar{A}_{ij} < 0$, $\lambda \leq -\frac{\bar{c}_j}{\bar{A}_{ij}}$

• we need $\lambda = \min \left\{ \frac{\bar{c}_j}{-\bar{A}_{ij}} \mid \bar{A}_{ij} < 0 \right\}$

ratio test for
dual simplex method