

Exercise 3.3.

(1) We introduce 4 slack variables, $\alpha, \beta, \tau, \delta$, and the constraints for x, y, z are now replaced by the following:

$$x + y + \alpha = 3$$

$$-x - y + \beta = -2$$

$$x + z + \tau = 5$$

$$-x - z + \delta = -4$$

$$x, y, z, \alpha, \beta, \tau, \delta \geq 0.$$

So the problem is equivalent to the following linear programming problem in the standard form:

$$\text{minimize } c^T X$$

$$\text{subject to } AX = b$$

$$X \geq 0,$$

where $c = [1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T \in \mathbb{R}^7$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 5 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 7}$$

and the variable $X = [x \ y \ z \ \alpha \ \beta \ \tau \ \delta]^T$ takes values in \mathbb{R}^7 .

(2) We set $\xi := x - 1$, $\eta := y - 2$, $\zeta := z - 1$.

Then the objective function is

$$x + y + z = (\xi + 1) + (\eta + 2) + (\zeta + 1) = \xi + \eta + \zeta + 4,$$

the constraint $x + 2y + 3z = 10$

becomes $\xi + 1 + 2\eta + 4 + 3\zeta + 3 = 10$, i.e., $\xi + 2\eta + 3\zeta = 2$.

$$\text{Finally } [x \geq 1, y \geq 2, z \geq 1] \Leftrightarrow [\xi \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, \zeta \geq 0]$$

So the problem is equivalent to the following linear programming problem in the standard form:

$$\begin{cases} \text{minimize} & \xi + \eta + \zeta \\ \text{subject to} & \xi + 2\eta + 3\zeta = 2, \\ & \xi \geq 0, \eta \geq 0, \zeta \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

(3) (Let $r \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $r_+ := \frac{r+|r|}{2}$ and $r_- := \frac{|r|-r}{2}$. Then $r_+, r_- \geq 0$, $r = r_+ - r_-$ and $|r| = r_+ + r_-$. Also if $r = r'_+ - r'_-$, $|r| = r'_+ + r'_-$ for some $r'_+, r'_- \geq 0$, then adding the equations we get $2r'_+ = r + |r|$ and so $r'_+ = \frac{r+|r|}{2}$ and similarly $|r| - r = (r'_+ + r'_-) - (r'_+ - r'_-) = 2r'_-$ so that $r'_- = \frac{|r|-r}{2}$.)

The given problem is equivalent to the following linear programming problem in standard form:

$$(LP): \begin{cases} \text{minimize} & x_+ + x_- + y_+ + y_- + z_+ + z_- \\ \text{subject to} & x_+ - x_- + 2y_+ - 2y_- = 1, \\ & x_+ - x_- + z_+ - z_- = 1, \\ & x_+ \geq 0, \quad y_+ \geq 0, \quad z_+ \geq 0, \\ & x_- \geq 0, \quad y_- \geq 0, \quad z_- \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

First of all, if $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for the original problem (henceforth referred to as (P)), then $(\hat{x}_+, \hat{x}_-, \hat{y}_+, \hat{y}_-, \hat{z}_+, \hat{z}_-)$ is optimal for (LP). Indeed if $(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, \zeta_1, \zeta_2)$ belongs to the feasible set of (LP), then it is clear that (x, y, z) , given by $x = \xi_1 - \xi_2$, $y = \eta_1 - \eta_2$, $z = \zeta_1 - \zeta_2$, belongs to the feasible set of (P). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_1 + \xi_2 &\geq \xi_1 - \xi_2 = x, \text{ and} \\ \xi_1 + \xi_2 &\geq -\xi_1 + \xi_2 = -x. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\xi_1 + \xi_2 \geq |x|$. Similarly $\eta_1 + \eta_2 \geq |y|$ and $\zeta_1 + \zeta_2 \geq |z|$. Hence $\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \eta_1 + \eta_2 + \zeta_1 + \zeta_2 \geq |x| + |y| + |z| \geq |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}| = \hat{x}_+ + \hat{x}_- + \hat{y}_+ + \hat{y}_- + \hat{z}_+ + \hat{z}_-$.

And it is clear that $(\hat{x}_+, \hat{x}_-, \hat{y}_+, \hat{y}_-, \hat{z}_+, \hat{z}_-)$ is feasible for (LP). So we have shown that $(\hat{x}_+, \hat{x}_-, \hat{y}_+, \hat{y}_-, \hat{z}_+, \hat{z}_-)$ is optimal for (LP).

Next, suppose that $(\hat{\xi}_1, \hat{\xi}_2, \hat{\eta}_1, \hat{\eta}_2, \hat{\zeta}_1, \hat{\zeta}_2)$ is optimal for (LP). Define $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ by $\hat{x} := \hat{\xi}_1 - \hat{\xi}_2$, $\hat{y} := \hat{\eta}_1 - \hat{\eta}_2$, $\hat{z} := \hat{\zeta}_1 - \hat{\zeta}_2$. Then $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is clearly feasible for (P).

We claim that it is also optimal for (P). To this end, let (x, y, z) be feasible for (P). Then $(x_+, x_-, y_+, y_-, z_+, z_-)$ is feasible for (LP). We have

$$\begin{aligned} |x| + |y| + |z| &= x_+ + x_- + y_+ + y_- + z_+ + z_- \\ &\geq \hat{\xi}_1 + \hat{\xi}_2 + \hat{\eta}_1 + \hat{\eta}_2 + \hat{\zeta}_1 + \hat{\zeta}_2 \\ &= |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (P).

(Alternative solution: We can also give another linear programming reformulation of (P) by following the method outlined in Example 3.7, namely:

$$(LP') : \begin{cases} \text{minimize} & \xi + \eta + \zeta \\ \text{subject to} & \xi \geq x, \quad \eta \geq y, \quad \zeta \geq z, \\ & \xi \geq -x, \quad \eta \geq -y, \quad \zeta \geq -z, \\ & x + 2y = 1 \\ & x + z = 1 \end{cases}$$

First of all, suppose that $(\hat{\xi}, \hat{\eta}, \hat{\zeta}, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (LP'). Then we claim that $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (P).

It is clear that $(|\hat{x}|, |\hat{y}|, |\hat{z}|, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is feasible for (LP').

So $\hat{\xi} + \hat{\eta} + \hat{\zeta} \leq |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}|$. $(\hat{\xi}, \hat{\eta}, \hat{\zeta}, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is feasible for (LP')

and so $\begin{cases} \hat{\xi} \geq \hat{x} \\ \hat{\xi} \geq -\hat{x} \end{cases}$ which gives $\hat{\xi} \geq |\hat{x}|$. Similarly $\hat{\eta} \geq |\hat{y}|$ and

$$\hat{\zeta} \geq |\hat{z}|. \text{ Hence } \hat{\xi} + \hat{\eta} + \hat{\zeta} \geq |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}| \text{ - (**)}$$

(*) and (**) together yield $\hat{\xi} + \hat{\eta} + \hat{\zeta} = |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}|$.

Let (x, y, z) be feasible for (P). Then $(|x|, |y|, |z|, x, y, z)$

is feasible for (LP'). Hence we obtain

$|x| + |y| + |z| \geq \hat{\xi} + \hat{\eta} + \hat{\zeta} = |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}|$. As $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is feasible for (P), we conclude that $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (P).

Next, suppose that $(\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (P). We will show that $(|\hat{x}|, |\hat{y}|, |\hat{z}|, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (LP').

Clearly $(|\hat{x}|, |\hat{y}|, |\hat{z}|, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is feasible for (LP'). Suppose that $(\xi, \eta, \zeta, x, y, z)$ is feasible for (LP').

Then (x, y, z) is feasible for (P). Also $\xi \geq |x|, \eta \geq |y|, \zeta \geq |z|$. Thus $\xi + \eta + \zeta \geq |x| + |y| + |z| \geq |\hat{x}| + |\hat{y}| + |\hat{z}|$.

Hence $(|\hat{x}|, |\hat{y}|, |\hat{z}|, \hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z})$ is optimal for (LP').

Exercise 3.8

Let A denote the number of units of product A manufactured per day,

B denote the number of units of product B manufactured per day,

C denote the number of units of product C manufactured per day.

The profit made in a day is then $12A + 9B + 8C$.

The constraint in the department of Cutting is

$$\frac{A}{2000} + \frac{B}{1600} + \frac{C}{1100} \leq 8,$$

while the constraint in the department of Pressing is

$$\frac{A}{1000} + \frac{B}{1500} + \frac{C}{2400} \leq 8.$$

Also $A, B, C \geq 0$.

Hence we arrive at the following linear programming problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Maximize} \quad 12A + 9B + 8C \\ \text{subject to} \quad \frac{A}{2000} + \frac{B}{1600} + \frac{C}{1100} \leq 8, \\ \quad \quad \quad \frac{A}{1000} + \frac{B}{1500} + \frac{C}{2400} \leq 8, \\ \quad \quad \quad A \geq 0, \\ \quad \quad \quad B \geq 0, \\ \quad \quad \quad C \geq 0. \end{array} \right.$$

Exercise 3.9

Let A = number of hectoliters of Apple cider produced in a week,

P = number of hectoliters of Pear cider produced in a week,

M = number of hectoliters of Mixed cider produced in a week,

S = number of hectoliters of Standard cider produced in a week.

Then the profit in a week is $196A + 210P + 280M + 442S$.

The production constraint is $1.6A + 1.8P + 3.2M + 5.4S \leq 80$,

while the packaging constraint is $1.2A + 1.2P + 1.2M + 1.8S \leq 40$.

The volume constraints are:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{A}{A+P+M+S} \geq \frac{20}{100} = \frac{1}{5}, \text{ and} \\ \frac{P}{A+P+M+S} \leq \frac{30}{100} = \frac{3}{10}, \end{cases}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \begin{cases} -\frac{4}{5}A + \frac{1}{5}P + \frac{1}{5}M + \frac{1}{5}S \leq 0, \text{ and} \\ -\frac{3}{10}A + \frac{7}{10}P - \frac{3}{10}M - \frac{3}{10}S \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Also, $A, P, M, S \geq 0$. Hence we arrive at the following linear programming problem:

$$\begin{cases} \text{Maximize} & 196A + 210P + 280M + 442S, \\ \text{subject to} & 1.6A + 1.8P + 3.2M + 5.4S \leq 80, \\ & 1.2A + 1.2P + 1.2M + 1.8S \leq 40, \\ & -0.8A + 0.2P + 0.2M + 0.2S \leq 0, \\ & -0.3A + 0.7P - 0.3M - 0.3S \leq 0, \\ & A \geq 0, \\ & P \geq 0, \\ & M \geq 0, \\ & S \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Exercise 3.10

Let $S := \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 12\}$ (set of stations), while
 $P := \{(i, j) : i, j \in S \text{ and } i \neq j\}$ (set of distinct station pairs).

We have been given:

the constants $p_i, i \in S,$

the constants $q_j, j \in S,$

the constants $r_{ij}, \text{ for } (i, j) \in P.$

We introduce the unknowns x_{ij} for $(i, j) \in P,$ which will be variables in the formulation of the optimization problem.

First of all we have the constraints that $x_{ij} \geq 0$ for all $(i, j) \in P.$

The demand of "consistency" gives in addition the following constraints:

$$\sum_{i \in S} x_{ij} = q_j \quad \text{for all } j \in S$$

$$\sum_{j \in S} x_{ij} = p_i \quad \text{for all } i \in S.$$

So we arrive at the following optimization problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{minimize} \quad \max_{(i, j) \in P} |x_{ij} - r_{ij}| \\ \text{subject to} \quad \sum_{i \in S} x_{ij} = q_j \quad \text{for all } j \in S, \\ \quad \quad \quad \sum_{j \in S} x_{ij} = p_i \quad \text{for all } i \in S, \\ \quad \quad \quad x_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } (i, j) \in P. \end{array} \right.$$

This can be rewritten as a linear programming problem by introducing a new variable w as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{minimize} \quad w \\ \text{subject to} \quad w \geq x_{ij} - r_{ij} \quad \text{for } (i, j) \in P, \\ \quad \quad \quad w \geq -(x_{ij} - r_{ij}) \quad \text{for } (i, j) \in P, \\ \quad \quad \quad \sum_{i \in S} x_{ij} = q_j \quad \text{for } j \in S, \\ \quad \quad \quad \sum_{j \in S} x_{ij} = p_i \quad \text{for } i \in S, \\ \quad \quad \quad x_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \text{for } (i, j) \in P. \end{array} \right.$$

Exercise 3.11

We introduce the following variables for $j=1,2,3$:

x_j = number of tonnes of the product manufactured in month j with normal working time,

y_j = number of tonnes of the product manufactured in month j with overtime;

z_j = number of tonnes of the product delivered to the customer at the end of month j ,

s_j = number of tonnes of the product stored during the month j , and

u_j = number of tonnes of the product owed to the customer at the beginning of month j .

The cost in month j is

$$c x_j + d y_j + s s_j + f u_j$$

So the total cost is $\sum_{j=1}^3 c x_j + d y_j + s s_j + f u_j$, and this should be minimized.

In month 1, $s_1 = 0$ (storage initially empty),
 $u_1 = 0$ (nothing owed at beginning of month 1).

At the beginning of month 2, amount owed is $u_2 = q_1 - z_1$.

In month 2, amount stored is $s_2 = x_1 + y_1 - z_1$.

At the beginning of month 3, amount owed

is $u_3 = q_2 - z_2 + u_2$.

In month 3, amount stored is $s_3 = x_2 + y_2 - z_2 + s_2$.

At the end of month 3, amount delivered

is $z_3 = q_3 + u_3$.

Also, the storage at the end of month 3 is empty, and so everything stored in month 3 together with everything produced in month 3 is actually delivered, i.e.,

$$x_3 + y_3 + s_3 = z_3$$

Also all variables are ≥ 0 , and $x_j \leq a$, $y_j \leq b$ for $j=1,2,3$.

So we arrive at the following linear programming problem:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{minimize} \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 c x_j + d y_j + s s_j + f u_j \\ \text{subject to} \quad s_1 = 0, \\ \quad u_1 = 0, \\ \quad u_2 = q_1 - z_1, \\ \quad s_2 = x_1 + y_1 - z_1, \\ \quad u_3 = q_2 - z_2 + u_2, \\ \quad s_3 = x_2 + y_2 - z_2 + s_2, \\ \quad z_3 = q_3 + u_3, \\ \quad x_3 + y_3 + s_3 = z_3, \\ \quad x_1 \leq a, \quad y_1 \leq b, \\ \quad x_2 \leq a, \quad y_2 \leq b, \\ \quad x_3 \leq a, \quad y_3 \leq b, \\ \quad x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0, \\ \quad y_1, y_2, y_3 \geq 0, \\ \quad z_1, z_2, z_3 \geq 0, \\ \quad u_1, u_2, u_3 \geq 0, \\ \quad s_1, s_2, s_3 \geq 0. \end{array} \right.$$

Exercise 3.12

First of all we note that \mathbb{P} is not empty, since $x=0$ is a point in \mathbb{P} . Indeed $a_i^T x = 0 \leq b_i$ for all i . In fact $x=0$ does not touch any of the walls, since $0 \notin P_i$ for all i . Indeed $a_i^T x = 0 < b_i$ for all i . So there is room inside \mathbb{P} for at least a small ball (and hence a sphere) to be contained in \mathbb{P} .

Let z denote the center of the sought sphere, and let r denote its radius. Then z lies in \mathbb{P} and so $a_i^T z \leq b_i$ for all i . Then the distance of z to P_i is given by $d(z, P_i) = \frac{|b_i - a_i^T z|}{\|a_i\|} = \frac{b_i - a_i^T z}{\|a_i\|}$.
($\because a_i^T z \leq b_i$)

The sphere with center z and radius r lies in \mathbb{P} iff $r \leq d(z, P_i)$ for all i .

[If]: Let x belong to the sphere S with center z and radius r . Then $\|x - z\| = r$. We have (Cauchy-Schwarz)
 $a_i^T x = a_i^T (x - z + z) = a_i^T (x - z) + a_i^T z \leq \|a_i\| r + a_i^T z$ (1)
Now if $r \leq d(z, P_i)$, then $r \leq \frac{b_i - a_i^T z}{\|a_i\|}$, i.e.,
 $\|a_i\| r + a_i^T z \leq b_i$. (2)

(1) and (2) give $a_i^T x \leq \|a_i\| r + a_i^T z \leq b_i$ for all i , and so $x \in \mathbb{P}$. So the sphere S lies in \mathbb{P} .

[Only if]: The point $z + \frac{r a_i}{\|a_i\|}$ belongs to the sphere S with center z and radius r . If S lies in \mathbb{P} , then $a_i^T \left(z + \frac{r a_i}{\|a_i\|} \right) \leq b_i$ i.e., $a_i^T z + r \|a_i\| \leq b_i$,
i.e., $\frac{b_i - a_i^T z}{\|a_i\|} \geq r$ i.e., $d(z, P_i) \geq r$. Since the choice of i was arbitrary, this happens for all i .]

Hence we obtain the following linear programming problem in the variables $z \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$\begin{cases} \text{maximize} & r \\ \text{subject to} & b_i - a_i^T z \geq r \|a_i\|, \quad i=1, \dots, m, \\ & r \geq 0. \end{cases}$$