

### Exercise 5.4

Introducing the slack variables  $x_5$  and  $x_6$ , we transform the inequality constraints to equality constraints, and obtain the following linear programming problem in the standard form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize } c^T x \\ & \text{subject to } Ax = b, \\ & \quad x \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$c = [-3 \quad 4 \quad -2 \quad 5 \quad 0 \quad 0]^T$$

We start with  $x_5$  and  $x_6$  as basic variables. Thus  $\beta = (5, 6)$  and  $\gamma = (1, 2, 3, 4)$ .

$$\text{Then } A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The initial basic solution is  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ .

$$\text{Hence } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ i.e., } \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs of the nonbasic variables are

$$r_\gamma = c_\gamma - A_\gamma^T y = c_\gamma - A_\gamma^T 0 = c_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $r_{\gamma_1} = -3 < 0$  and the smallest, we make  $x_1$  a new basic variable.

$$\text{We compute } \bar{a}_1 \text{ from } A_\beta \bar{a}_1 = a_1 \text{ i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and so } \bar{a}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the new basic variable  $x_1$  can increase up to

$$t^{\max} = \min_i \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i,1}} : \bar{a}_{i,1} > 0 \right\} = \min \left\{ \frac{8}{1}, \frac{4}{1} \right\} = \frac{4}{1} = \frac{\bar{b}_2}{\bar{a}_{2,1}}$$

The minimizing index is  $i=2$ , and hence  $x_{\beta_2} = x_6$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_1$  takes its place. So  $\beta = (5, 1)$  and  $\nu = (6, 2, 3, 4)$ .

Hence  $A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Solving  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , we obtain  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving

$$A_\beta^T y = c_\beta \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and so } y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The reduced costs of the nonbasic variables are

$$r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $r_\nu \geq 0$ , the current basic feasible solution is optimal, i.e.,  $x = [4 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 4 \ 0]^T$  is optimal for the problem in the standard form, and  $\hat{x} = [4 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]$  is optimal for the original linear programming problem with inequality constraints.

Now suppose that  $c = [-3 \ 4 \ -2 \ 2 \ 0 \ 0]^T$ .

If we start from the final solution above,

then we still have  $\beta = (5, 1)$ ,

$$\nu = (6, 2, 3, 4)$$

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

But the reduced costs of the nonbasic variables are:

$$r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y, \quad \text{i.e.,}$$

$$r_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $r_2 = r_4 = -1 < 0$  and the smallest,  $x_4$  becomes a new basic variable.

We compute  $\bar{a}_4$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_4 = a_4$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  
i.e.,  $\bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Since  $\bar{a}_4 \leq 0$ ,  $x_4$  can increase without constraint, and the value of the objective function goes to  $-\infty$ .

So the problem does not have an optimal solution, and the algorithm terminates.

(Remark: If we set  $x_4 = t$  and let  $t$  increase from 0, while the other nonbasic variables stay at 0, then the objective function value changes as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \bar{z} + r_4 t = c_\beta^T \bar{b} + r_4 t = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + (-1)t \\ &= -12 - t \end{aligned}$$

The basic variables change according to

$$x_\beta = \bar{b} - t \bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ t \end{bmatrix} - t \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4+t \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \\ x_3(t) \\ x_4(t) \\ x_5(t) \\ x_6(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4+t \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ t \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $Ax(t) = b$  and  $x(t) \geq 0$  for all  $t \geq 0$ ,  $x(t)$  is a feasible solution for  $t \geq 0$ .

We have  $c^T x(t) = -12 - t \rightarrow -\infty$  when  $t \rightarrow +\infty$ .)

## Exercise 5.5.

The problem (LP) is in standard form:

$$(LP): \begin{cases} \text{minimize } c^T x \\ \text{subject to } Ax = b, \\ x \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$c = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1]^T$$

The natural initial basic solution is obtained by taking  $x_5$  and  $x_6$  as basic variables. So  $\beta = (5, 6)$  and  $\nu = (1, 2, 3, 4)$ .

$$\text{Then } A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution is given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables is given by  $r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -5 \\ -7 \\ -9 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $r_4 = r_4 = -9$  is  $< 0$  and the smallest, we let  $x_4$  become a new basic variable.

We compute  $\bar{a}_4$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_4 = a_4$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$\text{and so } \bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $x_4$  can increase up to

$$t_{\max} = \min_i \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i4}} : \bar{a}_{i4} > 0 \right\} = \min \left\{ \frac{10}{4}, \frac{12}{5} \right\} = \frac{12}{5} = \frac{\bar{b}_2}{\bar{a}_{24}}$$

The minimizing index is  $i=2$  and hence  $x_\beta = x_6$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_4$  takes its place.

Hence now  $\beta = (5, 4)$  and  $\nu = (1, 2, 3, 6)$ .

$$\text{So } A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution is given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and so } \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/5 \\ 12/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , i.e.,  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4/5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the non basic variables are given by

$$r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4/5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 + 8/5 \\ -2 + 12/5 \\ -3 + 16/5 \\ 1 + 4/5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 1/5 \\ 9/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $r_\nu \geq 0$ , the current basic feasible solution is optimal, i.e.,

$$\hat{x} = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 12/5 \ 2/5 \ 0]^T \text{ is optimal.}$$

The optimal cost is

$$c^T \hat{x} = \frac{2}{5} > 0$$

If  $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4)$  is a feasible solution to the original problem, then  $x = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4, 0, 0)$  is a feasible solution to (LP). But the cost of (LP) with  $x$  is  $0 < 2/5$ , contradicting the optimality of  $\hat{x}$  for (LP).

So the original problem has no feasible solution.

### Exercise 5.6

The problem is in standard form: 
$$\begin{cases} \text{minimize} & c^T x \\ \text{subject to} & Ax = b, \\ & x \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix},$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$c = [4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]^T.$$

We start with  $\beta = (1, 5)$  and  $\nu = (2, 3, 4)$ . Then

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/4 \\ 3/4 \end{bmatrix}.$

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables is given by  $r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$

Since  $r_2 = r_3 = -2$  is  $< 0$  and the smallest, we let  $x_3$  become a new basic variable.

We compute  $\bar{a}_3$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_3 = a_3$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $\bar{a}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$

Then  $x_3$  can increase upto  $t_{\max} = \min_i \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i3}} : \bar{a}_{i3} > 0 \right\}$   
$$= \min \left\{ \frac{5/4}{1/2}, \frac{3/4}{1/2} \right\} = \frac{3}{2} = \frac{\bar{b}_2}{\bar{a}_{23}}$$

The minimizing index is  $i=2$  and hence  $x_4 = x_5$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_3$  takes its place.

Hence now  $\beta = (1, 3)$  and  $v = (2, 5, 4)$ . Then

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A_v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{and so } \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving

$$A_\beta^T y = c_\beta, \text{ i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and so } y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are given by

$$r_2 = c_2 - A_v^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $r_2 \geq 0$ , the current basic feasible solution is optimal, i.e.,  $\hat{x} = [1/2 \ 0 \ 3/2 \ 0 \ 0]^T$  is optimal.

Since  $r_1 = r_2 = 0$ , we can let  $x_2$  become a new basic variable and let it increase from 0, without changing the value of the objective function.

Then we need to compute  $\bar{a}_2$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_2 = a_2$ ,

$$\text{i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and so } \bar{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The largest  $x_2$  can get is  $t_{\max} = \min_i \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i,2}} : \bar{a}_{i,2} > 0 \right\}$   
 $= \min_i \left\{ \frac{1/2}{1/2}, \frac{3/2}{1/2} \right\} = 1.$

The minimizing index is  $i=1$ , and so

$x_{\beta_1} = x_1$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_2$  replaces it. So  $\beta = (2, 3)$  and  $v = (1, 5, 4)$

$$\text{Then } A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad A_v = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The values of the basic variables is given by  $\bar{b}$ ,

$$\text{where } A_\beta \bar{b} = b \text{ i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and so } \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So the new basic solution is  $\hat{x} = [0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0]^T$

(As a check, we note that the cost is

$$c^T \hat{x} = 4 \cdot 0 + 3 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 1 + 3 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 0 = 3 + 2 = 5,$$

which is the same as

$$c^T \hat{x} = 4 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + 3 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot \frac{3}{2} + 3 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 0 = 2 + 3 = 5.$$

Alternately, we can calculate the simplex multipliers vector  $y$  using  $A_B^T y = c_B$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and next calculate the

reduced costs for the nonbasic variables:

$$r_2 = c_2 - A_2^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $r_2 \geq 0$ , this basic solution is optimal.)



### Exercise 5.7.

Introducing the extra variables  $x_4, x_5, x_6$ , the problem can be rewritten in the standard form as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize } c^T x \\ & \text{subject to } Ax = b, \\ & \quad \quad \quad x \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c = [1 \ 5 \ 2 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0]^T$ ,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The given starting solution is the basic solution with  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  as the basic variables, that is,  $\beta = (1, 2, 3)$  and  $\nu = (4, 5, 6)$ . Indeed we then have that the corresponding basic matrix is  $A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

and the values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $\bar{b}$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $x_\beta = \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are given by  $r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - (-I) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $r_2 = r_5 = -1$  is  $< 0$  and the smallest, we make  $x_5$  a new basic variable.

Then we calculate  $\bar{a}_5$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_5 = a_5$  i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and so } \bar{a}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then  $x_5$  can increase upto  $t_{\max} = \min_i \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i,5}} ; \bar{a}_{i,5} > 0 \right\}$   
 $= \frac{\bar{b}_2}{\bar{a}_{2,5}} = \frac{1}{1/2} = 2.$

The minimizing index is  $i=2$  and hence  $x_{\beta_2} = x_2$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_5$  takes its place.

Hence now  $\beta = (1, 5, 3)$  and  $\nu = (4, 2, 6)$ . Then

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The values of the basic variables is given by  $\bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables is given by  $r_j = c_j - A_j^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$

Since  $r_j \geq 0$ , the current basic solution is optimal.

Hence  $x_1 = 2, x_2 = 0, x_3 = 2$  is an optimal solution to the original problem. The optimal cost is given by  $x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 = 2 + 5 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 2 = 2 + 4 = 6.$

### Exercise 5.8

The problem can be rewritten in the standard form

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize } c^T x \\ & \text{subject to } Ax = b, \\ & \quad \quad \quad x \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c = [-1 \quad -1 \quad -2 \quad 0 \quad 0]$ ,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

by introducing the extra variables  $x_4$  and  $x_5$ .

We start with the slack variables  $x_4$  and  $x_5$  as the basic variables. Thus  $\beta = (4, 5)$  and  $\nu = (1, 2, 3)$ .

Then  $A_\beta = I$  and  $A_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $I \bar{b} = b$ , and so  $\bar{b} = b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$  i.e.,  $I y = c_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and so  $y = 0$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables is given by  $r_\nu = c_\nu - A_\nu^T y = c_\nu - A_\nu^T 0 = c_\nu = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $r_3 = r_\nu = -2 < 0$  and the smallest, we let  $x_3$  become a new basic variable.

We compute  $\bar{a}_3$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_3 = a_3$  i.e.,  $I \bar{a}_3 = a_3$ , and so  $\bar{a}_3 = a_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Then  $x_3$  can increase upto  $t_{\max} = \min \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i,3}} : \bar{a}_{i,3} > 0 \right\}$   
 $= \frac{\bar{b}_1}{\bar{a}_{1,3}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1.$

The minimizing index is  $i=1$ , and hence  $x_{\beta_1} = x_4$  leaves the set of basic variables, and  $x_3$  takes its place. Hence now  $\beta = (3, 5)$  and  $v = (1, 2, 4)$ .

Then  $A_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A_{\beta_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_{\beta} = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_{\beta} \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving  $A_{\beta}^T y = c_{\beta}$ , i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are given by  $r_{\beta_2} = c_{\beta_2} - A_{\beta_2}^T y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $r_{\beta_2} = r_2 = -3 < 0$  and the smallest, we let  $x_2$  become a new basic variable.

We compute  $\bar{a}_2$  using  $A_{\beta} \bar{a}_2 = a_2$  i.e.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and so  $\bar{a}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $\bar{a}_2 \leq 0$ , a solution does not exist.

We let  $x_2 = t$ , where  $t$  increases from 0. Meanwhile the other nonbasic variables are still at 0. Then

$$\begin{aligned} x_{\beta}(t) &= \bar{b} - t \bar{a}_2. \quad \text{Thus} & x_1(t) &= 0 \\ & & x_2(t) &= t \\ & & x_3(t) &= 1+t \\ & & x_4(t) &= 0 \\ & & x_5(t) &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

In terms of the variables of the original problem, we have

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1(t) &= 0 \\ x_2(t) &= t \\ x_3(t) &= 1+t \end{aligned} \right\}, \text{ i.e., } x(t) = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{=: x_0} + t \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{=: d}.$$

Then  $Px(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ 1+t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t+1+t \\ t-1-t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = b,$

$$x(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ 1+t \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \quad \forall t \geq 0,$$

and so  $x(t)$  is a feasible solution for each  $t \geq 0$ .

Furthermore,  $q^T x(t) = [1 \ 1 \ 2] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ 1+t \end{bmatrix} = t+2+2t = 2+3t \rightarrow +\infty$   
as  $t \rightarrow +\infty$

Exercise 5.9

We have  $\beta = (1, 3, 5)$  and  $\gamma = (2, 4, 6)$ . Then

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{and } A_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}).$$

( $A_\beta$  is invertible, and so it is indeed a basic matrix.)

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $\bar{b}$  is determined by  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ ,

i.e., 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and so  $\bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0$ . So the corresponding solution is feasible

So  $x = [1 \ 0 \ 1/2 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0]^T$  is a basic feasible solution.

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is given by  $A_\beta^T y = c_\beta$ ,

i.e., 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$
, and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are given by

$$r_\gamma = c_\gamma - A_\gamma^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ +3/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since  $r_2 = r_4 = -1/2 < 0$ , we let  $x_4$  become a new basic variable.

We then compute  $\bar{a}_4$  using  $A_\beta \bar{a}_4 = a_4$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
, and so  $\bar{a}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Then  $x_4$  can be increased upto  $t_{\max} = \min \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{i,4}} ; \bar{a}_{i,4} > 0 \right\}$   
$$= \frac{\bar{b}_1}{\bar{a}_{1,4}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1.$$

The minimizing index is  $i=1$ , and so  $x_\beta = x_1$  will leave the set of basic variables, and is replaced by  $x_4$ .

Thus  $\beta = (4, 3, 5)$  and  $\gamma = (2, 1, 6)$ . Then

$$A_\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } A_\gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The values of the basic variables in the basic solution are given by  $x_\beta = \bar{b}$ , where  $A_\beta \bar{b} = b$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and so } \bar{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(As expected, this is a basic feasible solution.)

The simplex multipliers vector  $y$  is obtained by solving

$$A_\beta^T y = c_\beta, \text{ i.e., } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and so } y = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are given by

$$r_\gamma = c_\gamma - A_\gamma^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 3/2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $r_\gamma \geq 0$ , the current basic solution is optimal.

Thus

$x = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0]^T$  is a basic feasible solution which is optimal.

### Exercise 5.10

We have  $c = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]^T$  and let  $G := [A \mid I]$ .

First of all, it is feasible, since

$$G \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = Ax + Iy = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} = b,$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \geq 0.$$

Moreover, it is a basic solution with  $\beta = (1, 2, 7)$ .

The simplex multipliers vector is obtained by solving  $G_{\beta}^T Y =$

ie,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , that is,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

and so  $y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . We have  $G_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The reduced costs for the nonbasic variables are

given by

$$r_{\bar{p}} = c_{\bar{p}} - G_{\bar{p}}^T Y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $r_{\bar{p}} \geq 0$ , the basic feasible solution is optimal.

There do not exist nonnegative scalars  $x_j$  such that  $b = x_1 a_1 + x_2 a_2 + x_3 a_3 + x_4 a_4$ . For if they did, there would be a feasible solution to (LP) with  $y = 0$ , and the corresponding cost would be  $0 + 0 + 0 = 0 < 1$ , contradicting the optimality of  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  shown above.