

Homework 11 Solutions

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Problem 3

We wish to add the constraint $x_1 + x_2 \geq 60$ to our original investment problem. We recall that the final tableau for this problem was

	x_1	x_2	x_3	u_1	u_2	u_3	u_4	z	
u_4	0	1	0	1	0	-1	1	0	90
u_2	0	2	0	1	1	-2	0	0	120
x_1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	40
x_3	0	1	1	1	0	-1	0	0	160
	0	10	0	50	0	40	0	1	11600

So we add a new row corresponding the the new constraint, written as $-x_1 - x_2 + u_5 = -60$.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	u_1	u_2	u_3	u_4	u_5	z	
u_4	0	1	0	1	0	-1	1	0	0	90
u_2	0	2	0	1	1	-2	0	0	0	120
x_1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	40
x_3	0	1	1	1	0	-1	0	0	0	160
u_5	-1	-1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-60
	0	10	0	50	0	40	0	0	1	11600

We need to clear out the new row to get a tableau, as follows.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	u_1	u_2	u_3	u_4	u_5	z	
u_4	0	1	0	1	0	-1	1	0	0	90
u_2	0	2	0	1	1	-2	0	0	0	120
x_1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	40
x_3	0	1	1	1	0	-1	0	0	0	160
u_5	0	-1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	-20
	0	10	0	50	0	40	0	0	1	11600

Now we attempt to pivot back to feasibility. We let u_5 be the departing variable and x_2 be the entering variable. This gives us the following.

	x_1	x_2	x_3	u_1	u_2	u_3	u_4	u_5	z	
u_4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	70
u_2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	80
x_1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	40
x_3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	140
x_2	0	1	0	0	0	-1	0	-1	0	20
	0	0	0	50	0	50	0	0	1	11400

So \$40,000 should be invested in the utilities stock, \$20,000 should be invested in the electronics stock, and \$140,000 should be invested in the bond, for an annual return of \$11,400.

Problem 4

We wish to maximize $z = -22x_1 - 36x_2$ subject to the constraints

$$\begin{cases} 50x_1 + 140x_2 \leq 350 \\ 100x_1 + 200x_2 \geq 600 \\ x_1, x_2 \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

We may as well remove common factors from these equations, since we're not expecting to need to solve the dual problem. We do that and add slack and artificial variables as follows.

$$\begin{cases} 5x_1 + 14x_2 + u_1 = 35 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - u_2 + y_1 = 6 \\ x_1, x_2, u_1, u_2, y_1 \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

Now we can start Phase I, maximizing $z = -y_1$. We begin with the following.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	y_1	z	
u_1	5	14	1	0	0	0	35
y_1	1	2	0	-1	1	0	6
	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

We clear out the objective row to get our initial tableau.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	y_1	z	
u_1	5	14	1	0	0	0	35
y_1	1	2	0	-1	1	0	6
	-1	-2	0	1	0	1	-6

Now to pivot. We notice that if we use Bland's Rule here and pick x_1 to be the entering variable we can let y_1 be the departing variable to end Phase I, so we do that. After pivoting we have the following.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	y_1	z	
u_1	0	4	1	5	-5	0	5
x_1	1	2	0	-1	1	0	6
	0	0	0	0	1	1	0

Now we drop the column for the artificial variable and restore the original objective function.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	z	
u_1	0	4	1	5	0	5
x_1	1	2	0	-1	0	6
	22	36	0	0	1	0

We then clear out the objective row.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	z	
u_1	0	4	1	5	0	5
x_1	1	2	0	-1	0	6
	0	-8	0	22	1	-132

Now we have x_2 entering and u_1 departing. We pivot.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	z	
x_2	0	1	$1/4$	$5/4$	0	$5/4$
x_1	1	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	0	$7/2$
	0	0	2	32	1	-122

We have now finished the simplex method. Currently we have a best value of $z = -122$ with $(x_1, x_2) = (7/2, 5/4)$. We branch using $x_1 \leq 3$ and $x_1 \geq 4$. When we add $x_1 \leq 3$ to the tableau as $x_1 + u_3 = 3$ we get the following.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	u_3	z	
x_2	0	1	$1/4$	$5/4$	0	0	$5/4$
x_1	1	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	0	0	$7/2$
u_3	1	0	0	0	1	0	3
	0	0	2	32	0	1	-122

We clear out the u_3 row and obtain the following tableau

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	u_3	z	
x_2	0	1	$1/4$	$5/4$	0	0	$5/4$
x_1	1	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	0	0	$7/2$
u_3	0	0	$1/2$	$7/2$	1	0	$-1/2$
	0	0	2	32	0	1	-122

There is no way to pivot this back to feasibility! So, there are no solutions to this linear programming problem with $x_1 \leq 3$. Along the other branch, when we add $x_1 \geq 4$ to the tableau as $-x_1 + u_3 = -4$ we get the following

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	u_3	z	
x_2	0	1	$1/4$	$5/4$	0	0	$5/4$
x_1	1	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	0	0	$7/2$
u_3	-1	0	0	0	1	0	-4
	0	0	2	32	0	1	-122

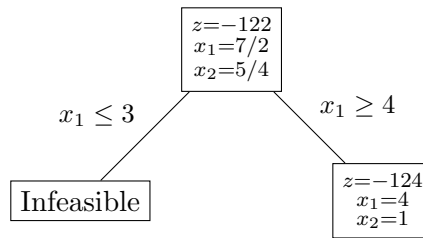
We clear out the u_3 row and obtain the following tableau.

	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	u_3	z	
x_2	0	1	$1/4$	$5/4$	0	0	$5/4$
x_1	1	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	0	0	$7/2$
u_3	0	0	$-1/2$	$-7/2$	1	0	$-1/2$
	0	0	2	32	0	1	-122

We let u_3 be the departing variable and u_1 be the entering variable. We do a dual pivot and obtain the following tableau.

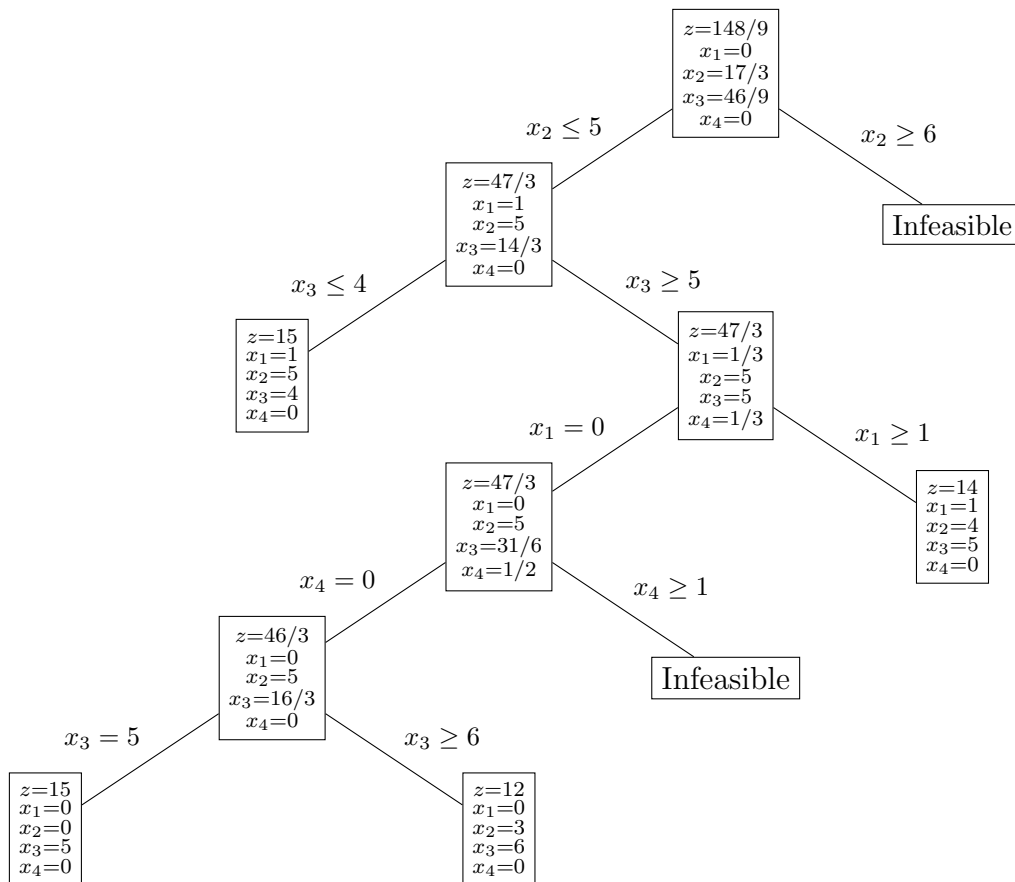
	x_1	x_2	u_1	u_2	u_3	z	
x_2	0	1	0	$-1/2$	$1/2$	0	1
x_1	1	0	0	0	1	0	4
u_1	0	0	1	7	-2	0	1
	0	0	0	18	4	1	-124

We see in this branch the optimal solution is -124, or a cost of \$124,000, at $(x_1, x_2) = (4, 1)$. There are no further dangling branches, so we are done.



Problem 5

Our tree is below.



We see that the maximum value of z at an integer solution is 15 and it occurs at multiple points including the two in the tree above. Answers that point out that once you have an integer solution of 15, then given that all of the coefficients of the objective function are integers, you can ignore any node with a current z value of less than 16 are also correct.