

Sample Solution

Math 323 Operations Research Quiz 2

Name: _____

Consider the optimization problem $\max Z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + c_3x_3$ subject to:

$$3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 60, \quad x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 10, \quad x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \leq 20, \quad x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$

Using slack variable $s_1, s_2, s_3 \geq 0$, we get the initial tableau:

C_B	B	c_1x_1	$+c_2x_2$	$+c_3x_3$	$+0s_1$	$+0s_2$	$+0s_3$	constraints
0	s_1	3	1	1	1	0	0	60
0	s_2	1	-1	2	0	1	0	10
0	s_3	1	1	-1	0	0	1	20
	C	c_1	c_2	c_3	0	0	0	$Z = 0$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

1. Fill in the missing entries if the final tableau has the form:

C_B	B	c_1x_1	$+c_2x_2$	$+c_3x_3$	$+0s_1$	$+0s_2$	$+0s_3$	constraints
0	s_1	0	0	1	1	-1	-2	10
c_1	x_1	1	0	$1/2$	0	$1/2$	$1/2$	15
c_2	x_2	0	1	$-3/2$	0	$-1/2$	$1/2$	5
	C	0	$0 \cancel{C_3 - (C_1 - 3C_2)}$	$0 \cancel{0 - (C_1 - C_2)}$	$0 \cancel{0 + (C_1 + C_2)}$			

Note that the entries in the row \tilde{C} should be in terms of c_1, c_2, c_3 .

2. Determine the condition on c_1, c_2, c_3 such that the solution in the final tableau is unique.

$$C_3 - \frac{(C_1 - 3C_2)}{2} < 0 \quad -\frac{(C_1 - C_2)}{2} < 0, \quad -\left(\frac{C_1 + C_2}{2}\right) < 0$$

3. Give ONE example of c_1, c_2, c_3 such that the solution in the final tableau is NOT unique.

Let $C_1 = 1, C_2 = -1, C_3 = 3$. Then $\tilde{C} = (0, 0, 0, 0, -1, 0)$
 Pivot the (3,6) entry, we get last column $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 10 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix}$
 So $(x_1, s_1, s_3) = (10, 30, 10)$ and $(x_1, x_2, s_1) = (15, 5, 10)$ gives the same \tilde{C}

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 10 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 100 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} = 10$$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix} \therefore B^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 60 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 10 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 20 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & -1/2 & 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 60 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 10 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 & 20 \end{pmatrix}$$