

# 4. The Dual Simplex Method

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# Basic Idea (1)

- Algorithm as explained so far known as **primal simplex**:  
starting with **feasible** basis,  
look for **optimal** basis while keeping **feasibility**
- Alternative algorithm known as **dual simplex**:  
starting with **optimal** basis,  
look for **feasible** basis while keeping **optimality**

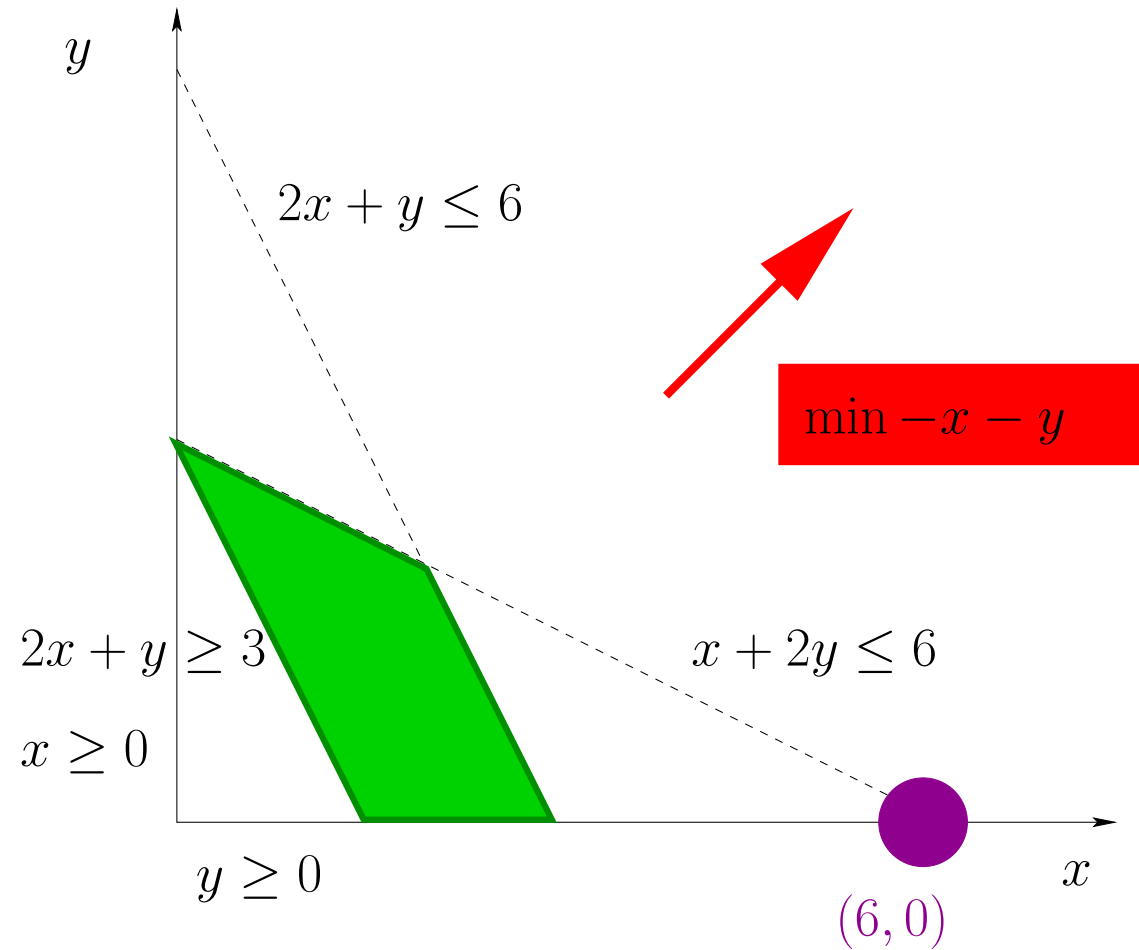
# Basic Idea (2)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y \geq 3 \\ 2x + y \leq 6 \\ x + 2y \leq 6 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y - s_1 = 3 \\ 2x + y + s_2 = 6 \\ x + 2y + s_3 = 6 \\ x, y, s_1, s_2, s_3 \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -6 + y + s_3 \\ x = 6 - 2y - s_3 \\ s_1 = 9 - 3y - 2s_3 \\ s_2 = -6 + 3y + 2s_3 \end{array} \right.$$

**Basis**  $(x, s_1, s_2)$  **is optimal**  
**but not feasible!**

# Basic Idea (3)



# Basic Idea (4)

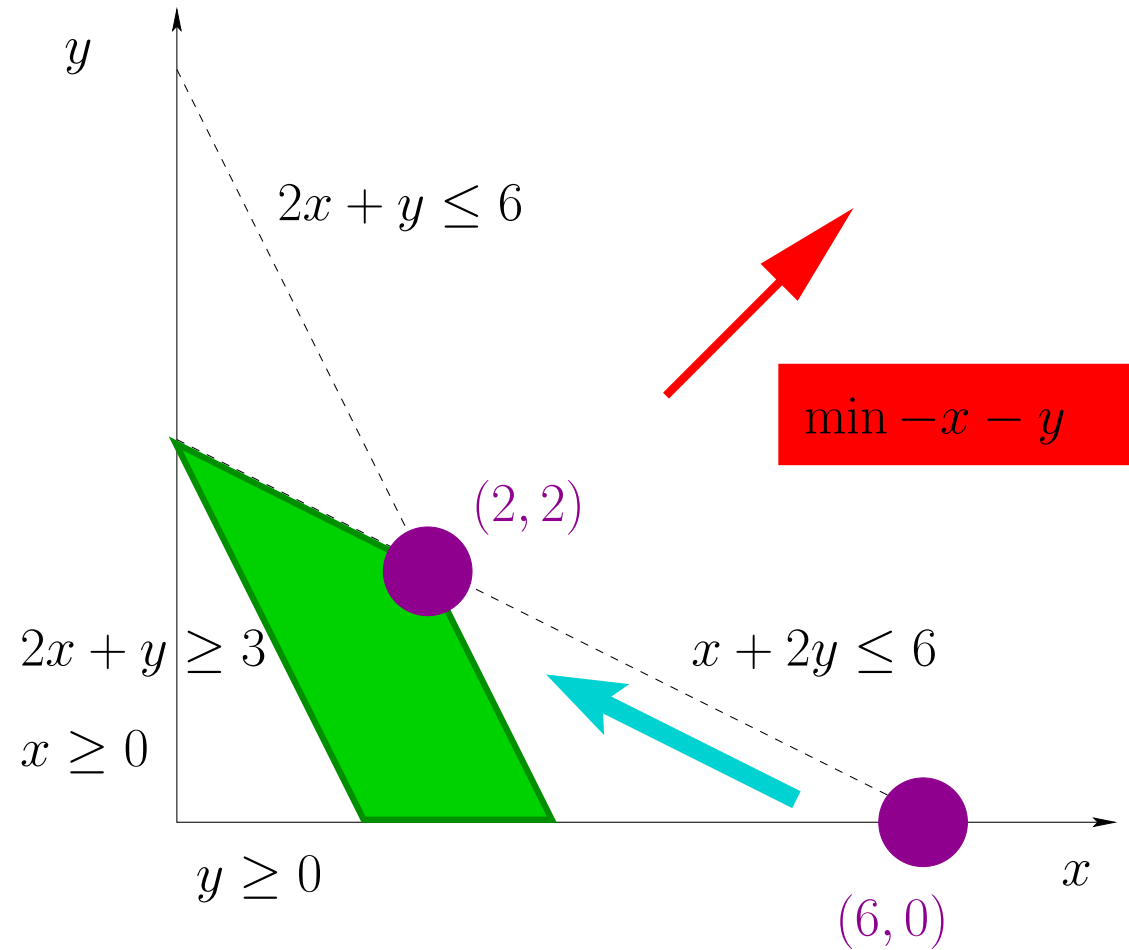
- Let us make the violating variables non-negative ...
  - Increase  $s_2$  by making it non-basic
- ... while preserving optimality
  - If  $y$  replaces  $s_2$  in the basis,  
then  $y = \frac{1}{3}(s_2 + 6 - 2s_3)$ ,  $-x - y = -4 + \frac{1}{3}(s_2 + s_3)$
  - If  $s_3$  replaces  $s_2$  in the basis,  
then  $s_3 = \frac{1}{2}(s_2 + 6 - 3y)$ ,  $-x - y = -3 + \frac{1}{2}(s_2 - y)$
  - To preserve optimality,  $y$  must replace  $s_2$

# Basic Idea (5)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -6 + y + s_3 \\ x = 6 - 2y - s_3 \\ s_1 = 9 - 3y - 2s_3 \\ s_2 = -6 + 3y + 2s_3 \end{array} \right. \implies \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -4 + \frac{1}{3}s_2 + \frac{1}{3}s_3 \\ x = 2 - \frac{2}{3}s_2 + \frac{1}{3}s_3 \\ y = 2 + \frac{1}{3}s_2 - \frac{2}{3}s_3 \\ s_1 = 3 - s_2 \end{array} \right.$$

- Current basis is **feasible** and **optimal!**

# Basic Idea (6)



# Outline of the Dual Simplex Algorithm

1. Initialization: Pick an optimal basis.
2. Dual Pricing: If all basic values are  $\geq 0$ ,  
then return **OPTIMAL**.  
Else pick a basic variable with value  $< 0$ .
3. Dual Ratio test: Compute best value preserving optimality, i.e. sign constraints on reduced costs.  
If best value does not exist,  
then return **INFEASIBLE**.  
Else select non-basic variable to be exchanged with violating basic variable.
4. Update: Update the tableau and go to 2.



# Duality (1)

- The way the dual simplex works is best understood using the theory of **duality**
- We can get **lower bounds** on LP optimum value by combining **constraints** with convenient **multipliers**

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y \geq 3 \\ 2x + y \leq 6 \\ x + 2y \leq 6 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y \geq 3 \\ -2x - y \geq -6 \\ -x - 2y \geq -6 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} 1 \cdot ( \quad -x - 2y \geq -6 \quad ) \\ 1 \cdot ( \quad \quad y \geq 0 \quad ) \\ \hline -x - 2y \geq -6 \\ \quad y \geq 0 \\ \hline -x - y \geq -6 \end{array}$$

# Duality (2)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y \geq 3 \\ -2x - y \geq -6 \\ -x - 2y \geq -6 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \cdot ( \quad 2x + y \geq 3 \quad ) \\ 2 \cdot ( \quad -2x - y \geq -6 \quad ) \\ 1 \cdot ( \quad \quad x \geq 0 \quad ) \\ \hline \quad 2x + y \geq 3 \\ \quad -4x - 2y \geq -12 \\ \quad \quad x \geq 0 \\ \hline \quad -x - y \geq -9 \end{array}$$

# Duality (3)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min -x - y \\ 2x + y \geq 3 \\ -2x - y \geq -6 \\ -x - 2y \geq -6 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \mu_1 \cdot ( \quad 2x + y \geq 3 \quad ) \\ \mu_2 \cdot ( \quad -2x - y \geq -6 \quad ) \\ \mu_3 \cdot ( \quad -x - 2y \geq -6 \quad ) \\ \hline 2\mu_1 x + \mu_1 y \geq 3\mu_1 \\ -2\mu_2 x - \mu_2 y \geq -6\mu_2 \\ -\mu_3 x - 2\mu_3 y \geq -6\mu_3 \\ \hline (2\mu_1 - 2\mu_2 - \mu_3)x + \\ (\mu_1 - \mu_2 - 2\mu_3)y \geq \\ 3\mu_1 - 6\mu_2 - 6\mu_3 \end{array}$$

- If  $\mu_1 \geq 0, \mu_2 \geq 0, \mu_3 \geq 0, 2\mu_1 - 2\mu_2 - \mu_3 \leq -1$  and  $\mu_1 - \mu_2 - 2\mu_3 \leq -1$  then  $3\mu_1 - 6\mu_2 - 6\mu_3$  is a lower bound

# Duality (4)

- Best possible lower bound can be found by solving

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \max \quad 3\mu_1 - 6\mu_2 - 6\mu_3 \\ 2\mu_1 - 2\mu_2 - \mu_3 \leq -1 \\ \mu_1 - \mu_2 - 2\mu_3 \leq -1 \\ \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3 \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

- Best solution is given by  $(\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3) = (0, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$

$$0 \cdot ( \quad 2x + y \geq 3 \quad )$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot ( \quad -2x - y \geq -6 \quad )$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot ( \quad -x - 2y \geq -6 \quad )$$

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$$-x - y \geq -4$$

**Matches with optimum!**

# Dual Problem (1)

- Given a LP (called **primal**)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & c^T x \\ & Ax \geq b \\ & x \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

its **dual** is the LP

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & b^T y \\ & A^T y \leq c \\ & y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Primal variables associated with columns of  $A$
- Dual variables (**multipliers**) associated with rows of  $A$
- Objective and right-hand side vectors swap their roles

# Dual Problem (2)

- **Prop.** The dual of the dual is the primal.

*Proof:*

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max b^T y & - \min (-b)^T y \\ A^T y \leq c & \implies -A^T y \geq -c \\ y \geq 0 & y \geq 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} - \max -c^T x & \min c^T x \\ (-A^T)^T x \leq -b & \implies Ax \geq b \\ x \geq 0 & x \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- One says the primal and the dual form **primal-dual pair**

# Dual Problem (3)

• **Prop.**  $\min c^T x$  and  $\max b^T y$  form a primal-dual pair  
 $Ax = b$  and  $A^T y \leq c$   
 $x \geq 0$

*Proof:*

$$\begin{array}{l} \min c^T x \\ Ax = b \\ x \geq 0 \end{array} \implies \begin{array}{l} \min c^T x \\ Ax \geq b \\ -Ax \geq -b \\ x \geq 0 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \max b^T y_1 - b^T y_2 \\ A^T y_1 - A^T y_2 \leq c \\ y_1, y_2 \geq 0 \end{array} \xrightarrow{y := y_1 - y_2} \begin{array}{l} \max b^T y \\ A^T y \leq c \end{array}$$

# Duality Theorems (1)

- **Th. (Weak Duality)** Let  $(P, D)$  be a primal-dual pair

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & \text{and} \\ x \geq 0 & \end{array} \quad (D) \quad \begin{array}{l} \max b^T y \\ A^T y \leq c \end{array}$$

If  $x$  is feasible solution to  $P$  and  $y$  is feasible solution to  $D$  then  $y^T b \leq c^T x$

*Proof:*

$c - A^T y \geq 0$  and  $x \geq 0$  imply  $(c - A^T y)^T x \geq 0$ . Hence

$$y^T b = y^T Ax = (A^T y)^T x \leq c^T x$$



# Duality Theorems (2)

- Feasible solutions to  $D$  give lower bounds on  $P$
- Feasible solutions to  $P$  give upper bounds on  $D$
- Can the two bounds ever be equal?
- **Th. (Strong Duality)** Let  $(P, D)$  be a primal-dual pair

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & \text{and} \\ x \geq 0 & \end{array} \quad (D) \quad \begin{array}{l} \max b^T y \\ A^T y \leq c \end{array}$$

If **any** of  $P$  or  $D$  has a **feasible solution** and a finite **optimum** then the **same** holds for the **other** problem and the two **optimum** values are **equal**.

# Duality Theorems (3)

- *Proof (Th. of Strong Duality):*

By symmetry it is sufficient to prove only one direction. Wlog. let us assume  $P$  is feasible with finite optimum.

After executing the Simplex algorithm to  $P$  we find  $B$  optimal feasible basis. Then:

- $c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1} a_j = c_j$  for all  $j \in \mathcal{B}$
- $c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1} a_j \leq c_j$  for all  $j \in \mathcal{R}$  (optimality conds hold)

So  $\pi^T := c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1}$  is dual feasible:  $\pi^T A \leq c^T$ , i.e.  $A^T \pi \leq c$ .

Moreover,  $c_{\mathcal{B}}^T \beta = c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1} b = \pi^T b = b^T \pi$

By the theorem of weak duality,  $\pi$  is optimum for  $D$

- **If  $B$  optimal feasible basis for  $P$ , then simplex multipliers  $\pi^T := c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1}$  are optimal feasible solution for  $D$ .**

# Duality Theorems (4)

- **Prop.** Let  $(P, D)$  be a primal-dual pair

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & \text{and} \quad (D) \quad \max b^T y \\ x \geq 0 & A^T y \leq c \end{array}$$

If  $P$  (resp.,  $D$ ) has a feasible solution but the objective value is not bounded, then  $D$  (resp.,  $P$ ) is infeasible

*Proof:* By contradiction.

If  $y$  were a feasible solution to  $D$ , by weak duality theorem objective of  $P$  would be bounded from below!

# Duality Theorems (5)

- **Prop.** Let  $(P, D)$  be a primal-dual pair

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & \text{and} \\ x \geq 0 & \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} (D) \quad \max b^T y \\ A^T y \leq c \end{array}$$

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- **And the converse?**

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & 3x_1 + 5x_2 & \max & 3y_1 + y_2 \\ & x_1 + 2x_2 = 3 & & y_1 + 2y_2 = 3 \\ & 2x_1 + 4x_2 = 1 & & 2y_1 + 4y_2 = 5 \\ & x_1, x_2 \text{ free} & & x_1, x_2 \text{ free} \end{array}$$

# Duality Theorems (6)

Primal unbounded	$\implies$	Dual infeasible
Dual unbounded	$\implies$	Primal infeasible
Primal infeasible	$\implies$	Dual $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{infeasible} \\ \text{unbounded} \end{array} \right.$
Dual infeasible	$\implies$	Primal $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{infeasible} \\ \text{unbounded} \end{array} \right.$

# Karush Kuhn Tucker Optimality Conds (1)

- Consider a primal-dual pair of the form

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \max b^T y \\ Ax = b & \text{and } A^T y + w = c \\ x \geq 0 & w \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- Karush-Kuhn-Tucker (KKT) optimality conditions are
  - $Ax = b$
  - $x, w \geq 0$
  - $A^T y + w = c$
  - $x^T w = 0$  (complementary slackness)
- They are **necessary** and **sufficient** conditions for optimality of the pair of primal-dual solutions  $(x, (y, w))$
- Used, e.g., as a test for quality in LP solvers

# Karush Kuhn Tucker Optimality Conds (2)

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min c^T x & \max b^T y \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & (D) \quad A^T y + w = c \\ x \geq 0 & w \geq 0 \end{array} \quad (KKT)$$

- $Ax = b$
- $A^T y + w = c$
- $x, w \geq 0$
- $x^T w = 0$

- **Th.**  $(x, (y, w))$  is solution to *KKT* iff  $x$  optimal solution to *P* and  $(y, w)$  optimal solution to *D*

*Proof:*

$\Rightarrow$  By  $0 = x^T w = x^T (c - A^T y) = c^T x - b^T y$ , Weak Duality

$\Leftarrow$   $x$  is feasible solution to *P*,  $(y, w)$  is feasible solution to *D*. By Strong Duality  $x^T w = x^T (c - A^T y) = c^T x - b^T y = 0$  as both solutions are optimal



# Towards Dual Simplex: Relating Bases (1)

$$\begin{array}{lll} \min z = c^T x & & \max Z = b^T y \\ (P) \quad Ax = b & (D) \quad \max Z = b^T y & \iff A^T y + w = c \\ & & A^T y \leq c \\ & & w \geq 0 \\ & & x \geq 0 \end{array}$$

- Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be basis of  $P$ .

Reorder rows in  $D$  so that  $\mathcal{B}$ -basic variables are first  $m$ .

Reorder columns in  $D$  so that the matrix is

$$\left( \begin{array}{c|c|c} B^T & I & 0 \\ \hline R^T & 0 & I \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} y \\ w_{\mathcal{B}} \\ w_{\mathcal{R}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Submatrix of vars  $y$  and vars  $w_{\mathcal{R}}$ :

$$\hat{B} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^T & 0 \\ \hline R^T & I \end{array} \right)$$

# Towards Dual Simplex: Relating Bases (2)

$\hat{B} = (y, w_{\mathcal{R}})$  is a basis of  $D$ :

$$\hat{B} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^T & 0 \\ \hline R^T & I \end{array} \right)$$

$$\hat{B}^{-1} = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^{-T} & 0 \\ \hline -R^T B^{-T} & I \end{array} \right)$$

- Each var  $w_j$  in  $D$  is associated to var a  $x_j$  in  $P$ .
- $w_j$  is  $\hat{B}$ -basic iff  $x_j$  is **not**  $B$ -basic

# Dual Feasibility is Primal Optimality

- Let's apply simplex algorithm to dual problem
- Let's see correspondence of dual feasibility in primal LP

$$\hat{B}^{-1}c = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^{-T} & 0 \\ \hline -R^T B^{-T} & I \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{c} c_{\mathcal{B}} \\ c_{\mathcal{R}} \end{array} \right) = \left( \begin{array}{c} B^{-T} c_{\mathcal{B}} \\ -R^T B^{-T} c_{\mathcal{B}} + c_{\mathcal{R}} \end{array} \right)$$

- There is no restriction on the sign of  $y_1, \dots, y_m$
- Variables  $w_j$  have to be non-negative. But

$$-R^T B^{-T} c_{\mathcal{B}} + c_{\mathcal{R}} \geq 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad c_{\mathcal{R}}^T - c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1} R \geq 0 \quad \text{iff} \quad d_{\mathcal{R}}^T \geq 0$$

- $\hat{B}$  is dual feasible iff  $d_j \geq 0$  for all  $j \in \mathcal{R}$
- **Dual feasibility is primal optimality!**

# Dual Optimality is Primal Feasibility

- $\hat{B}$ -basic dual vars:  $(y \mid w_{\mathcal{R}})$  with costs  $(b^T \mid 0)$
- Non  $\hat{B}$ -basic dual vars:  $w_{\mathcal{B}}$  with costs  $(0)$
- Optimality condition: reduced costs  $\leq 0$  (maximization!)

$$0 \geq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} b^T & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^{-T} & 0 \\ \hline -R^T B^{-T} & I \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} b^T B^{-T} & | & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\beta^T \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{iff} \quad \beta \geq 0$$

- For all  $1 \leq p \leq m$ ,  $w_{k_p}$  is not dual improving iff  $\beta_p \geq 0$
- Dual optimality is primal feasibility!

# Improving a Non-Optimal Solution (1)

- Let  $p$  ( $1 \leq p \leq m$ ) be such that  $\beta_p < 0 \Leftrightarrow b^T B^{-T} e_p < 0$   
Let  $\rho_p = B^{-T} e_p$ , so  $b^T \rho_p = \beta_p$ . If  $w_{k_p}$  takes value  $t \geq 0$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} y(t) \\ w_{\mathcal{R}}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \hat{B}^{-1}c - \hat{B}^{-1}te_p =$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} B^{-T}c_{\mathcal{B}} \\ d_{\mathcal{R}} \end{pmatrix} - \left( \begin{array}{c|c} B^{-T} & 0 \\ \hline -R^T B^{-T} & I \end{array} \right) \begin{pmatrix} te_p \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{B^{-T}c_{\mathcal{B}} - t\rho_p}{d_{\mathcal{R}} + tR^T\rho_p} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Dual objective value improvement is

$$\Delta Z = b^T y(t) - b^T y(0) = -tb^T \rho_p = -t\beta_p$$

# Improving a Non-Optimal Solution (2)

- Only  $w$  variables need to be  $\geq 0$ : for  $j \in \mathcal{R}$

$$\begin{aligned}w_j(t) &= d_j + ta_j^T \rho_p = d_j + t\rho_p^T a_j = \\d_j + te_p^T B^{-1} a_j &= d_j + te_p^T \alpha_j = d_j + t\alpha_j^p\end{aligned}$$

$$w_j(t) \geq 0 \iff d_j + t\alpha_j^p \geq 0$$

- If  $\alpha_j^p \geq 0$  the constraint is satisfied for all  $t \geq 0$
- If  $\alpha_j^p < 0$  we need  $\frac{d_j}{-\alpha_j^p} \geq t$
- **Best improvement** achieved with

$$\Theta_D := \min\left\{\frac{d_j}{-\alpha_j^p} \mid \alpha_j^p < 0\right\}$$

- Variable  $w_q$  is **blocking** when  $\Theta_D = \frac{d_q}{-\alpha_q^p}$

# Improving a Non-Optimal Solution (3)

1. If  $\Theta_D = +\infty$  (there is no  $j$  such that  $j \in \mathcal{R}$  and  $\alpha_j^p < 0$ ):

Value of dual objective can be increased infinitely.

Dual LP is **unbounded**.

Primal LP is **infeasible**.

2. If  $\Theta_D < +\infty$  and  $w_q$  is blocking:

When setting  $w_{k_p} = \Theta_D$  sign of dual slack basic vars (primal reduced costs of non-basic vars) is respected

In particular,  $w_q(\Theta_D) = d_q + \Theta_D \alpha_q^p = d_q + \left(\frac{d_q}{-\alpha_q^p}\right) \alpha_q^p = 0$

We can make a **basis change**:

- In dual:  $w_{k_p}$  enters  $\hat{\mathcal{B}}$  and  $w_q$  leaves
- In primal:  $x_{k_p}$  leaves  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $x_q$  enters

# Update

- We forget about dual LP and work only with primal LP
- **New basic indices:**  $\bar{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B} - \{k_p\} \cup \{q\}$
- **New objective value:**  $\bar{Z} = Z - \Theta_D \beta_p$
- **New dual basic sol:**  $\bar{y} = y - \Theta_D \rho_p$   
 $\bar{d}_j = d_j + \Theta_D \alpha_j^p$  if  $j \in \mathcal{R}$ ,  $\bar{d}_{k_p} = \Theta_D$
- **New primal basic sol:**  $\bar{\beta}_p = \Theta_P$ ,  $\bar{\beta}_i = \beta_i - \Theta_P \alpha_q^i$  if  $i \neq p$   
where  $\Theta_P = \frac{\beta_p}{\alpha_q^p}$
- **New basis inverse:**  $\bar{B}^{-1} = EB^{-1}$   
where  $E = (e_1, \dots, e_{p-1}, \eta, e_{p+1}, \dots, e_m)$  and  
$$\eta^T = \left( \left( \frac{-\alpha_q^1}{\alpha_q^p} \right), \dots, \left( \frac{-\alpha_q^{p-1}}{\alpha_q^p} \right), \frac{1}{\alpha_q^p} \left( \frac{-\alpha_q^{p+1}}{\alpha_q^p} \right), \dots, \left( \frac{-\alpha_q^m}{\alpha_q^p} \right) \right)^T$$



# Algorithmic Description (1)

1. Initialization: Find an initial dual feasible basis  $\mathcal{B}$

Compute  $B^{-1}$ ,  $\beta = B^{-1}b$ ,

$$y^T = c_{\mathcal{B}}^T B^{-1}, d_{\mathcal{R}}^T = c_{\mathcal{R}}^T - y^T R, Z = b^T y$$

2. Dual Pricing:

If for all  $i \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $\beta_i \geq 0$  then return **OPTIMAL**

Else let  $p$  be such that  $\beta_p < 0$ .

Compute  $\rho_p^T = e_p^T B^{-1}$  and  $\alpha_j^p = \rho_p^T a_j$  for  $j \in \mathcal{R}$

3. Dual Ratio test: Compute  $\mathcal{J} = \{j \mid j \in \mathcal{R}, \alpha_j^p < 0\}$ .

If  $\mathcal{J} = \emptyset$  then return **INFEASIBLE**

Else compute  $\Theta_D = \min_{j \in \mathcal{J}} \left( \frac{d_j}{-\alpha_j^p} \right)$  and  $q$  st.  $\Theta_D = \frac{d_q}{-\alpha_q^p}$

# Algorithmic Description (2)

4. Update:

$$\bar{\mathcal{B}} = \mathcal{B} - \{k_p\} \cup \{q\}$$

$$\bar{Z} = Z - \Theta_D \beta_p$$

Dual solution

$$\bar{y} = y - \Theta_D \rho_p$$

$$\bar{d}_j = d_j + \Theta_D \alpha_j^p \text{ if } j \in \mathcal{R}, \bar{d}_{k_p} = \Theta_D$$

Primal solution

Compute  $\alpha_q = B^{-1} a_q$  and  $\Theta_P = \frac{\beta_p}{\alpha_q^p}$

$$\bar{\beta}_p = \Theta_P, \quad \bar{\beta}_i = \beta_i - \Theta_P \alpha_q^i \text{ if } i \neq p$$

$$\bar{B}^{-1} = EB^{-1}$$

Go to 2.

# Primal vs. Dual Simplex

## PRIMAL

- Ratio test:  $\mathcal{O}(m)$  divs
- Can handle **bounds efficiently**
- **Many years** of research and implementation
- There are classes of LP's for which it is the best
- Not suitable for solving LP's with integer variables

## DUAL

- Ratio test:  $\mathcal{O}(n - m)$  divs
- Can handle **bounds efficiently**  
(not explained here)
- Developments in the **90's** made it an alternative
- Nowadays **on average** it gives **better performance**
- **Suitable** for solving LP's with **integer** variables