

Dual of a general LP

[V, p.81]

5.1 What is the dual of the following linear programming problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll}\text{maximize} & x_1 - 2x_2 \\ \text{subject to} & x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 \geq 0 \\ & 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 \leq 3 \\ & -x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 1 \\ & x_2, x_3 \geq 0.\end{array}$$

 (Note: x_1 is not constrained to be +ve.)

M1

$$y_1 (-x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4 \leq 0)$$

$$y_1 \geq 0$$

$$y_2 (4x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 \leq 3)$$

$$y_2 \geq 0$$

$$y_3 (-x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 1)$$

$$(-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3)x_1$$

$$+ (-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3)x_2$$

$$+ (y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3)x_3$$

$$+ (-y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3)x_4$$

$$0 =$$

$$\leq 3y_2 + y_3$$

$$= 1$$

$$-2 \leq$$

$$0 \leq$$

①

$$x_1 \leq (-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3)x_1$$

$$x_1 > 0 \Rightarrow 1 \leq -y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3$$

$$x_1 < 0 \Rightarrow 1 \geq -y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3 = 1}$$

②

$$-2x_2 \leq (-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3)x_2$$

$$x_2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underline{-2 \leq -2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3}$$

$$0 \leq (y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3)x_3$$

③

$$x_3 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underline{0 \leq y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3}$$

④

$$x_4 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \underline{0 = -y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3}$$

Dual problem:

$$\min \quad 3y_2 + y_3$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad -y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3 = 1$$

$$-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3 \geq -2$$

$$y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3 \geq 0$$

$$-y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3 = 0$$

$$y_1, y_2 \geq 0$$

$$(x_2 \geq 0)$$

$$(x_3 \geq 0)$$

5.1 What is the dual of the following linear programming problem:

M2

$$\text{maximize } x_1 - 2x_2$$

$$\text{subject to } x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 \geq 0$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4 \leq 3$$

$$-x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 1$$

$$x_2, x_3 \geq 0.$$



 $\leq$

 ≥ 1

$$x_1 = x_1^+ - x_1^-, \quad x_1^+, x_1^- \geq 0$$

$$x_4 = x_4^+ - x_4^-, \quad x_4^+, x_4^- \geq 0$$

$$\max \quad x_1^+ - x_1^- - 2x_2$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad -x_1^+ + x_1^- - 2x_2 + x_3 - x_4^+ + x_4^- \leq 0$$

$$4x_1^+ - 4x_1^- + 3x_2 + 4x_3 - 2x_4^+ + 2x_4^- \leq 3$$

$$-x_1^+ + x_1^- - x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4^+ - x_4^- \leq 1$$

$$x_1^+ - x_1^- + x_2 - 2x_3 - x_4^+ + x_4^- \leq -1$$

$$y_1, y_2, y_3^+, y_3^- \geq 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& (-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^-) x_1^+ \\
& + (+y_1 - 4y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^-) x_1^- \\
& + (-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^-) x_2 \\
& + (y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3^+ - 2y_3^-) x_3 \\
& + (-y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^-) x_4^+ \\
& + (y_1 + 2y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^-) x_4^-
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \leq \underline{3y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^-} \\
& = 3y_2 + y_3
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 -y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^- & \geq & 1 \\
 +y_1 - 4y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^- & \geq & -1 \\
 -2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^- & \geq & -2 \\
 y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3^+ - 2y_3^- & \geq & 0 \\
 -y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^- & \geq & 0 \\
 y_1 + 2y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^- & \geq & 0
 \end{array}
 \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} = 1$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} = 0$$

$$-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^- = 1$$

$$-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3^+ + y_3^- \geq -2$$

$$y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3^+ - 2y_3^- \geq 0$$

$$-y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3^+ - y_3^- = 0$$

$$-y_1 + 4y_2 - y_3 = 1$$

$$-2y_1 + 3y_2 - y_3 \geq -2$$

$$y_1 + 4y_2 + 2y_3 \geq 0$$

$$-y_1 - 2y_2 + y_3 = 0$$

[V]

Problems in General Form

Up until now, we have always considered our problems to be given in standard form. However, for real-world problems it is often convenient to formulate problems in the following form:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (9.1) \quad & \text{maximize} && c^T x \\
 & \text{subject to} && a \leq Ax \leq b \\
 & && l \leq x \leq u.
 \end{aligned}$$

Dual = ?

Two-sided constraints such as those given here are called constraints with *ranges*. The vector l is called the vector of *lower bounds*, and u is the vector of *upper bounds*. We allow some of the data to take infinite values; that is, for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$,

$$-\infty \leq a_i \leq b_i \leq \infty,$$

and, for each $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

$$-\infty \leq l_j \leq u_j \leq \infty.$$

"Standard Form"

$$\max \quad C^T X$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad AX \leq b$$

$$-AX \leq -a$$

$$X \leq u$$

$$-X \leq -l$$

$$X = X^+ - X^-$$

$$X^+ \geq 0$$

$$X^- \geq 0$$

$$\max \quad C^T (X^+ - X^-)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad A(X^+ - X^-) \leq b$$

$$-A(X^+ - X^-) \leq -a$$

$$X^+ - X^- \leq u$$

$$-X^+ + X^- \leq -l$$

$$\begin{aligned}
p^T A (x^+ - x^-) &\leq p^T b \\
-q^T A (x^+ - x^-) &\leq -q^T a \\
r^T (x^+ - x^-) &\leq r^T u \\
s^T (-x^+ + x^-) &\leq -s^T l
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&(p^T A - q^T A + r^T - s^T) x^+ \\
&+ (-p^T A + q^T A - r^T + s^T) x^- \\
&\leq p^T b - q^T a + r^T u - s^T l
\end{aligned}$$

$C^T \leq$
 $-C^T \leq$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Dual: } \min \quad & p^T b - q^T a + r^T u - s^T l \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & p^T A - q^T A + r^T - s^T \geq c^T \\
 & -p^T A + q^T A - r^T + s^T \geq -c^T \\
 & p, q, r, s \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \iff \min \quad & p^T b - q^T a + r^T u - s^T l \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & p^T A - q^T A + r^T - s^T = c^T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\iff \begin{aligned} \min \quad & b^T p - a^T q + u^T r - l^T s \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & A^T p - A^T q + r - s = c \end{aligned} \right)$$

Duality - Interpretations

$$\begin{array}{ll}\max & \zeta(x) = c^T x \\ \text{s.t.} & Ax \leq b \\ & x \geq 0\end{array}$$

Dual

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min & \zeta(y) = b^T y \\ \text{s.t.} & A^T y \geq c \\ & y \geq 0\end{array}$$

Diet Problem

m Nutrients (eg. Vitamins) $N_i : i=1, 2, \dots, m$

n Foods $F_j : j=1, 2, \dots, n$

a_{ij} = amount of N_i in 1 unit of F_j

b_i = minimum (monthly) intake of N_i

c_j = price (cost) of F_j

x_j = amount of consumption of F_j

Diet Problem

$N_i \backslash F_j$		C_1 1	C_2 2	C_3 3	C_j j	---	C_n n
b_1	1						
b_2	2						
b_i	i				a_{ij}		
$\vdots$	$\vdots$						
b_m	m						

Diet Problem

$N_i \backslash F_j$		C_1	C_2	C_3	C_j	---	C_n
		1	2	3	j	---	n
b_1	1						
b_2	2						
b_i	i				a_{ij}		
$\vdots$	$\vdots$						
b_m	m						

Diet Problem

cost of C_j consumption of F_j

minimize cost: $J(x) = \sum_j C_j x_j$

s.t.

$$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j \geq b_i \quad \leftarrow \text{min. intake of } N_i$$
$$x_j \geq 0$$

Diet Problem

$N_i \backslash F_j$		C_1	C_2	C_3	C_j	---	C_n
		1	2	3	j	---	n
b_1	1						
b_2	2						
b_i	i				a_{ij}		
$\vdots$	$\vdots$						
b_m	m						

Diet Problem

Replacement of food by pills for each N_i 's

N_i = pills $i=1, 2, \dots, m$

y_i = unit price of pill for N_i

1 unit of F_j contains a_{ij} unit of N_i

Price/Value of (1 unit) $F_j = \sum_i y_i a_{ij}$

Maximize profit by selling pills

Diet Problem

Maximize profit by selling pills

$$\max(\text{profit}) \quad \mathcal{J}(Y) = \sum_i b_i y_i$$

← price of N_i pill

min. sale of N_i pill

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum_i y_i a_{ij} \leq C_j$$

← price of "pill equivalent" of F_j

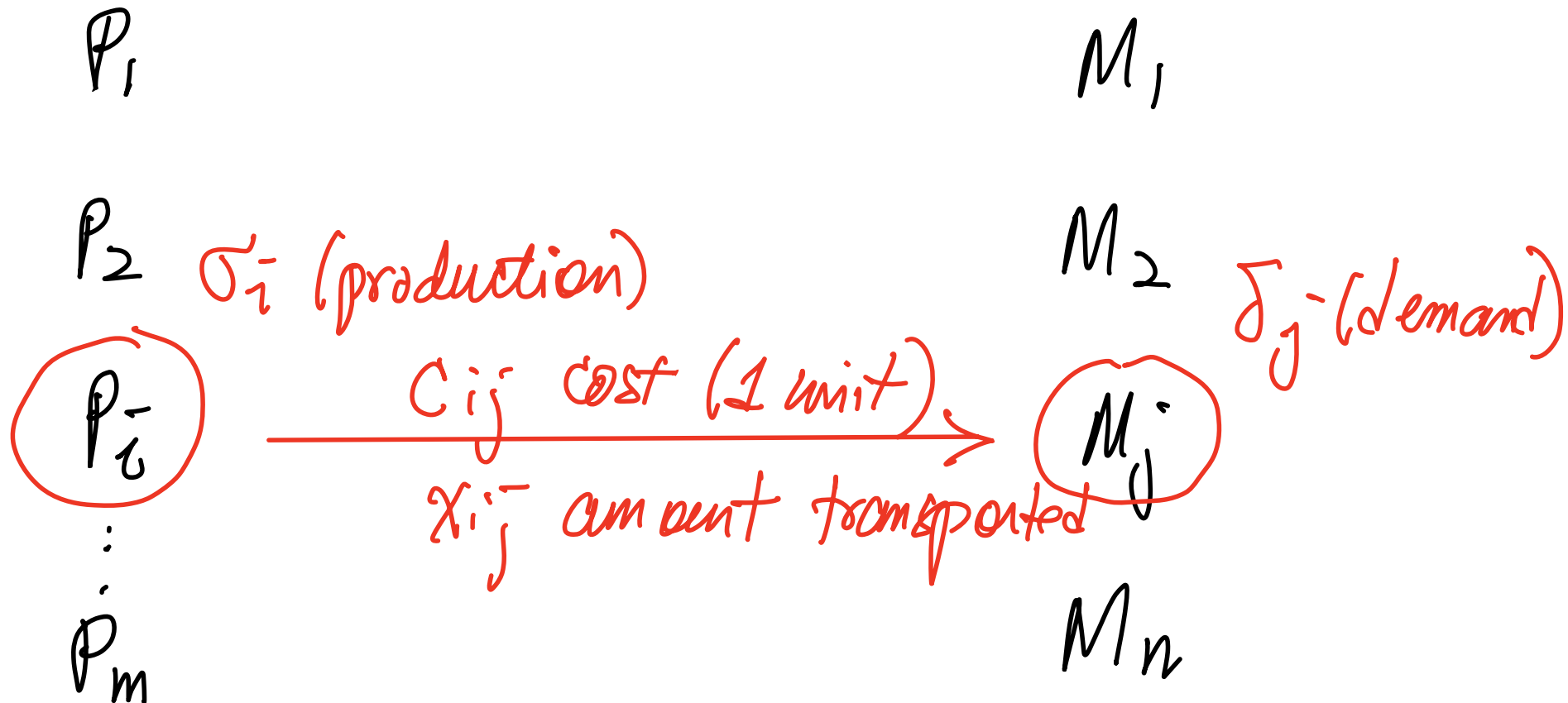
$$y_i \geq 0$$

← cost of F_j

Transportation Problem (Monge-Kantorovich)

m Plants

n Markets



$$\min \sum_i \sum_j C_{ij} x_{ij} \quad (\text{Total cost})$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum_j x_{ij} \leq \sigma_i \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

$$\sum_i x_{ij} \geq \delta_j \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

$$x_{ij} \geq 0$$

$$\min \sum_i \sum_j C_{ij} x_{ij} \quad (\text{Total cost})$$

$$\text{s.t. } \tilde{y}_i \left(\sum_j x_{ij} \geq -\sigma_i \right) \quad i=1, \dots, m$$

$$+ y_j \left(\sum_i x_{ij} \geq \delta_j \right) \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

$$\sum_i \sum_j (y_j x_{ij} - \tilde{y}_i x_{ij}) \geq \sum_j y_j \delta_j - \sum_i \tilde{y}_i \tilde{\sigma}_i$$

$$\sum_i \sum_j (y_j - \tilde{y}_i) x_{ij} \geq \sum_j y_j \delta_j - \sum_i \tilde{y}_i \tilde{\sigma}_i$$

Dual

$$\max \sum_j y_j \delta_j - \sum_i \tilde{y}_i \sigma_i$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} y_j - \tilde{y}_i \leq c_{ij} \\ y_j, \tilde{y}_i \geq 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} i=1, \dots, m \\ j=1, \dots, n \end{array}$$

New Company (with new resources)

P_i

buy

unit price = $\tilde{y}_i$

M_j

sell

unit price = y_j^-

$$\max \sum_j y_j \delta_j - \sum_i \tilde{y}_i \sigma_i$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} y_j - \tilde{y}_i \leq c_{ij} \\ y_j, \tilde{y}_i \geq 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} i=1, \dots, m \\ j=1, \dots, n \end{array}$$

(to be competitive)