

Department of Mathematics, GAGDC GE3 (SB) and all  $y_{12}$ , i.e.,  $y_{12}$  and  $y_{22}$  are negative, so this LPP admits unbounded solution.

Note: If  $Z_j - C_j < 0$  for some  $j$  and all components of  $y_j$  is negative or zero, then the LPP has unbounded solution.

Unbounded means, for maximization problem, you can increase  $Z$  as much as possible and for minimization problem, you can decrease  $Z$  as much as possible.

Exercise 2 Solve using simplex method, the following LPP:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Minimize } Z &= x_1 - 3x_2 + 2x_3 \\ \text{subject to } & 3x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 7 \\ & -2x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 12 \\ & -4x_1 + 3x_2 + 8x_3 \leq 10 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Example 3 Use Charnes' Big-M method (or penalty method) to solve

the following LPP:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize } Z &= 3x_1 - x_2 \\ \text{subject to } & 2x_1 + x_2 \geq 2 \\ & x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 3 \\ & x_2 \leq 4 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solution: Using slack variables  $x_4, x_5$  and surplus variable  $x_3$  and with artificial variable  $x_6$ , the problem can be put in the standard form as follows

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 3x_1 - x_2 + 0 \cdot x_3 + 0 \cdot x_4 + 0 \cdot x_5 - M \cdot x_6 \quad (M \text{ is a large positive real number})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to } & 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + x_6 = 2 \\ & x_1 + 3x_2 + x_4 = 3 \\ & x_2 + x_5 = 4 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, we form the simplex tables as follows:

$C_B$	B	$x_B$	b	$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_3$	$y_4$	$y_5$	$y_6$	Minimum ratio
-M	$a_6$	$x_6$	2	2	1	-1	0	0	1	$\frac{2}{2} = 1$
0	$a_4$	$x_4$	3	1	3	0	1	0	0	$\frac{3}{1} = 3$
0	$a_5$	$x_5$	4	0	1	0	0	1	0	
$Z_j - C_j$				-2M	-M+1	M	0	0	0	Minimum ratio
3	$a_1$	$x_1$	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0		
0	$a_4$	$x_4$	2	0	$\frac{5}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0		
0	$a_5$	$x_5$	4	0	1	0	0	1		
$Z_j - C_j$				0	$\frac{5}{2}$	$-\frac{3}{2}$	0	0		
3	$a_1$	$x_1$	3	1	3	0	1	0		
0	$a_3$	$x_3$	4	0	5	1	2	0		
0	$a_5$	$x_5$	4	0	1	0	0	1		
$Z_j - C_j$				0	10	0	3	0		

In Table 1,  $a_1$  is the entering vector,  $a_6$  is the departing vector.

In table 2 we need not calculate the column corresponding to artificial variable as it is not a basic variable now. Here the entering vector is  $a_3$ . As  $y_{13} = -\frac{1}{2} < 0$  and  $y_{33} > 0$ , so we get only one ratio. Here the entering vector is  $a_3$  and the departing vector is  $a_4$ .

Since all  $Z_j - C_j \geq 0$  and artificial variable is not in the optimal solution, so the ~~best~~ optimal solution is

$$x_1 = 3, x_2 = 0 \text{ and } Z_{\max} = 3 \times 3 - 0 = 9$$

Note: Sometimes, in the problem nothing is written about using Charnes' Big-M method, you have to use it when needed. For this, do it yourself, the next exercises.

LPP

Exercise 3 Solve the following by simplex method:

Maximize  $Z = 4x_1 + 2x_2$   
 subject  $2x_1 + x_2 \leq 4$   
 $5x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 15$   
 and  $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

Exercise 4 Solve the following LPP by Big-M method:

Minimize  $Z = 2x_1 + 3x_2$   
 subject to  $2x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 22$   
 $x_1 + x_2 \geq 6$   
 $5x_1 + x_2 \geq 10$   
 $x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

Concept of Duality

To every LPP there corresponds another LPP. If the first LPP is called primal then the later is called the dual problem and vice-versa. It will be seen later that every primal problem has a unique dual problem. If the primal is of maximization, then the dual is of minimization problem and vice-versa. That is, if some wants to maximize profit there is correspondingly some who wants to minimize its cost and similarly if someone wants to minimize its cost then corresponding there is someone who wants to maximize its profit. Also we will see that while solving an LPP for the primal, we are at the same time solving its dual problem as well.

To make the concept more clear, let us consider the following problem:

Types of food	Units of vitamins present/gm.		Cost price per gm of the foods
	A	B	
X	5	6	Rs. 1
Y	8	10	Rs. 2
Daily minimum requirement of vitamins in units	30	40	

Let  $x_1$  gm of the food X and  $x_2$  gm of food Y be purchased and the problem is to minimize the cost.

Now the LPP becomes

$$\text{Minimize } Z = x_1 + 2x_2$$

$$\text{subject to } 5x_1 + 8x_2 \geq 30$$

$$6x_1 + 10x_2 \geq 40$$

$$\text{and } x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

If we consider this as a primal problem, consider the

Corresponding problem as follows: Let a dealer ~~sells~~ sells Vitamin A and Vitamin B required for two types of foods, X and Y. His problem is to fix the cost per unit of Vitamin A and Vitamin B in such a way that the ~~prices~~ ~~for~~ prices per gm of Food X and Y do not exceed the amount mentioned above. His problem is also to get a maximum profit in selling the vitamins.

Let  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  be the price per unit of Vitamin A and Vitamin B respectively. Therefore his problem is

$$\text{to Maximize } W = 30v_1 + 40v_2$$

$$\text{subject to } 5v_1 + 6v_2 \leq 1$$

$$8v_1 + 10v_2 \leq 2$$

$$v_1, v_2 \geq 0$$

This problem is called the dual of the first problem. Similarly if you consider the 2nd problem as the primal problem then the dual would be the first problem.

### Formulation of primal-dual problems

Let the standard primal problem be

$$\text{Maximize } Z = cx$$

$$\text{subject to } Ax \leq b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

Then the dual problem is

$$\text{Minimize } W = b^t v$$

$$\text{subject to } A^t v \geq c^t, \quad v \geq 0$$