

HW9 out later today → one week

HW10 out next Tue → due after break

"HW11" — practice

Suggestions  
for the  
last week?

## Linear programming

$$\text{maximize } \sum_{j=1}^d c_j x_j$$

$$\text{subject to } \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad \text{for each } i = 1..p$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} x_j = b_i \quad \text{for each } i = p+1..p+q$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} x_j \geq b_i \quad \text{for each } i = p+q+1..n$$

Given  $a_{ij}, b_i, c_j \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Z}$

Solve for variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_d$

$n$  constraints  
 $d$  variables

Polytime algorithm  
if all input data  
is integral

## Maximum flow

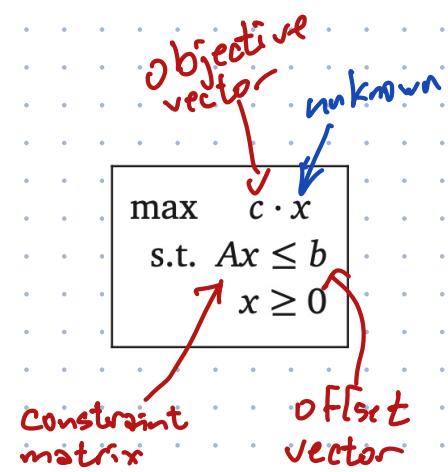
$$\text{maximize } \sum_w f(s \rightarrow w) - \sum_u f(u \rightarrow s)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to } \sum_w f(v \rightarrow w) - \sum_u f(u \rightarrow v) &= 0 && \text{for every vertex } v \neq s, t \\ f(u \rightarrow v) &\leq c(u \rightarrow v) && \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v \\ f(u \rightarrow v) &\geq 0 && \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{maximize } \sum_{j=1}^d c_j x_j$$

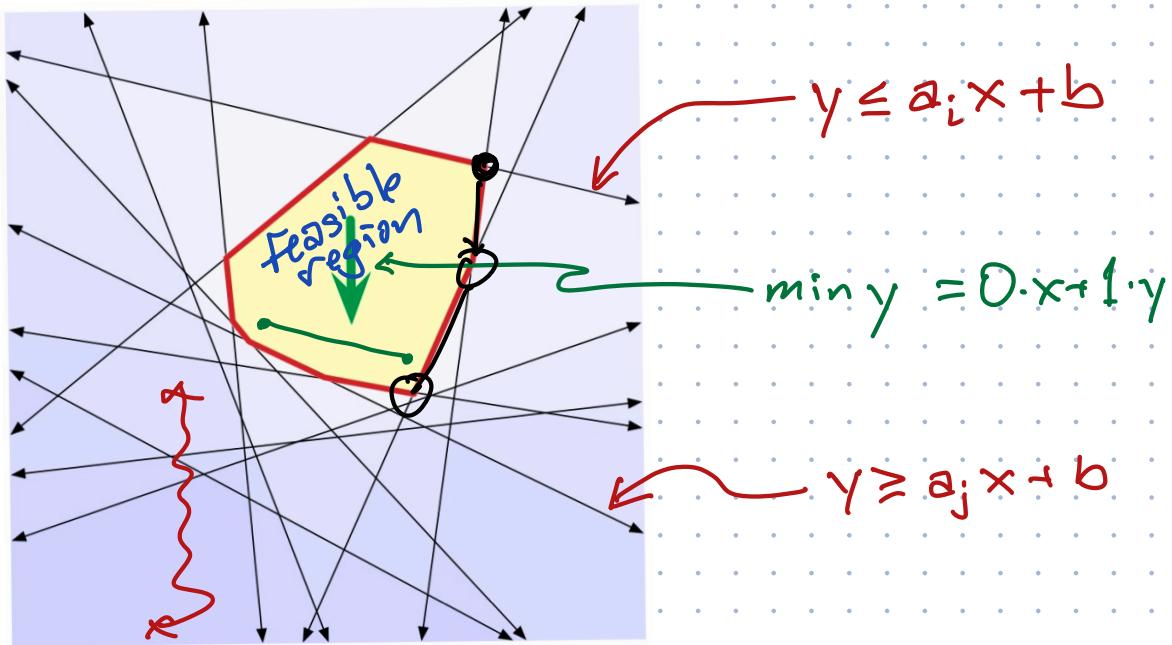
$$\text{subject to } \sum_{j=1}^d a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad \text{for each } i = 1..n$$

$$x_j \geq 0 \quad \text{for each } j = 1..d$$



"Canonical form"

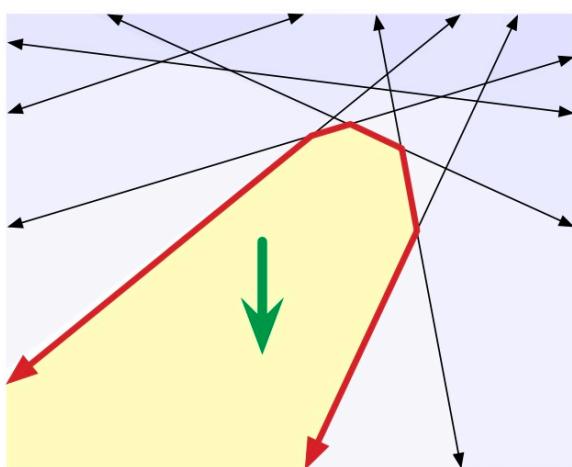
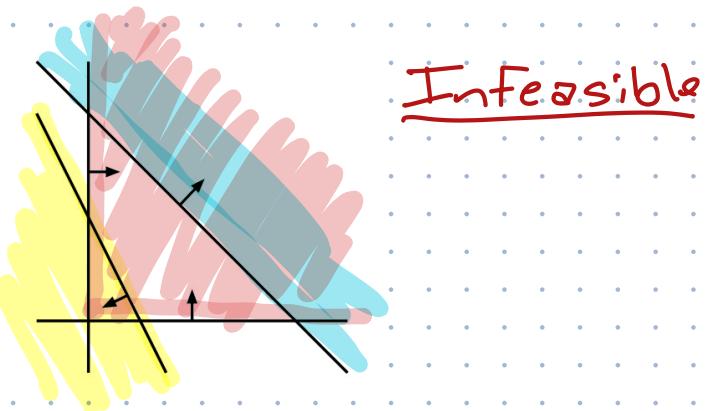
"std inequality form"



feasible region = intersection of half spaces  
= convex polyhedron

LP = find lowest point in convex polyhedron

maximize	$x - y$
subject to	$2x + y \leq 1$
	$x + y \geq 2$
	$x, y \geq 0$



Unbounded

Find the shortest path in a graph  $G$  from  $s$  to  $t$ .

maximize  
subject to

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{dist}(t) \\ & \text{dist}(s) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{dist}(v) - \text{dist}(u) \leq l(u \rightarrow v) \quad \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v$$

variable = vertex  
constraint = edge

$u \rightarrow v$  is not tense

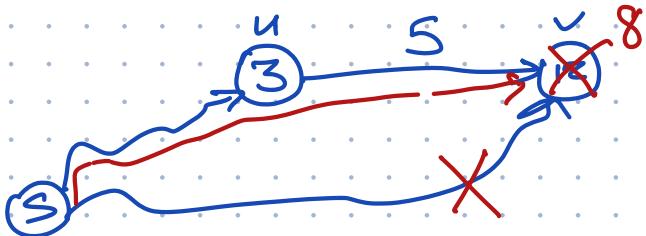
Ford's meta-algorithm:

Maintain  $v.\text{dist}$  at every node  $v$

$$\text{init: } s.\text{dist} = 0 \quad v.\text{dist} = \infty \quad \forall v \neq s$$

Edge  $u \rightarrow v$  is tense if

$$u.\text{dist} + l(u \rightarrow v) < v.\text{dist}$$



minimize

$$\sum_{u \rightarrow v} l(u \rightarrow v) \cdot x(u \rightarrow v)$$

variable = edge  
constraint = vertex

subject to

$$\sum_u x(u \rightarrow t) - \sum_w x(t \rightarrow w) = 1$$

$$\sum_u x(u \rightarrow v) - \sum_w x(v \rightarrow w) = 0 \quad \text{for every vertex } v \neq s, t$$

$$x(u \rightarrow v) \geq 0 \quad \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v$$

Intuitively

$$x(u \rightarrow v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } u \rightarrow v \text{ is on shortest path from } s \text{ to } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Minimum  
cost  
flow!



Flow decomp  $\Rightarrow$  solution really is just a path

## Primal (II)

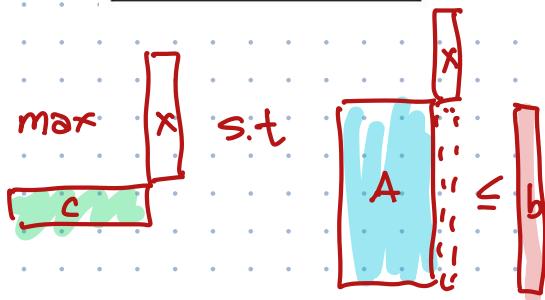
$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & c \cdot x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Ax \leq b \\ & x \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Dual (II)

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & y \cdot b \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & yA \geq c \\ & y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Dual (II)

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & -b^T \cdot y^T \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & -A^T y^T \leq -c^T \\ & y^T \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



**The Fundamental Theorem of Linear Programming.** A canonical linear program  $\Pi$  has an optimal solution  $x^*$  if and only if the dual linear program  $\Pi$  has an optimal solution  $y^*$  such that  $c \cdot x^* = y^* A x^* = y^* \cdot b$ .

Primal	Dual	Primal	Dual
$\max c \cdot x$	$\min y \cdot b$	$\min c \cdot x$	$\max y \cdot b$
$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i$	$y_i \geq 0$	$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i$	$y_i \leq 0$
$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j \geq b_i$	$y_i \leq 0$	$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j \geq b_i$	$y_i \geq 0$
$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j = b_i$	—	$\sum_j a_{ij} x_j = b_i$	—
$x_j \geq 0$	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} \geq c_j$	$x_j \leq 0$	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} \geq c_j$
$x_j \leq 0$	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} \leq c_j$	$x_j \geq 0$	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} \leq c_j$
—	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} = c_j$	—	$\sum_i y_i a_{ij} = c_j$
$x_j = 0$	—	$x_j = 0$	—

maximize  
subject to

$$dist(t) = \sum_v c_v dist(v)$$

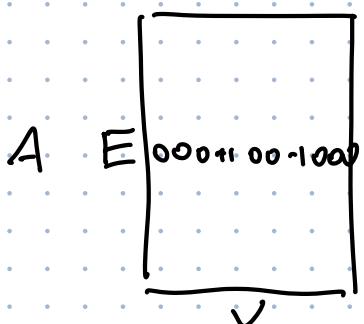
$$dist(s) = 0$$

$$dist(v) - dist(u) \leq l(u \rightarrow v) \quad \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v$$

where  $c_t = 1$   
 $c_v = 0$   
 for all  $v \neq t$

variables:  $dist(v)$  for each vertex

constraint = edge



$$A[u \rightarrow v, w] = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } w = v \\ -1 & \text{if } w = u \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

minimize  $\sum_{u \rightarrow v} l(u \rightarrow v) \cdot x(u \rightarrow v)$

subject to  $\sum_u x(u \rightarrow t) - \sum_w x(t \rightarrow w) = 1$

$$\sum_u x(u \rightarrow v) - \sum_w x(v \rightarrow w) = 0 \quad \text{for every vertex } v \neq s, t$$

$$x(u \rightarrow v) \geq 0 \quad \text{for every edge } u \rightarrow v$$

variable  $x(u \rightarrow v)$  for every edge  $u \rightarrow v$

constraints = vertices

$$A[u \rightarrow v, w] = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } v = w \\ -1 & \text{if } u = w \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$