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Problem 1

First, we number the constraints for convenience.

1	$3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 5$
2	$x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1$
3	$x_2 \geq -3$
4	$x_1 \geq 0$
5	$x_3 \geq 0$

A vertex must satisfy 2, the only equality constraint. Since all of these constraints are linearly independent, we need to choose two other constraints. There are $\binom{4}{2} = 6$ ways to do this. The solutions will be a basic solution. We need to check the remaining constraints to see if the basic solution is also feasible. In that case, the basic feasible solution is a vertex. We go through these options one-by-one.

Active Constraints: 2, 4, 5

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ x_3 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} x_2 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ x_3 = 0 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution also meets the other constraints because

$$\begin{aligned} 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 &\leq 5 \\ x_2 = 1 &\geq -3. \end{aligned}$$

So this basic solution is a vertex.

Active Constraints: 2, 4, 1

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 + x_3 = 5 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution also meets the other constraints because

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 = 3 &\geq -3 \\ x_3 = 2 &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

So this basic solution is a vertex.

Active Constraints: 2, 4, 3

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} -3 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 = 0 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution does not meet constraint 5 because $-3 < 0$. So this basic solution is not a vertex.

Active Constraints: 2, 5, 1

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 = 5 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution also meets the other constraints because

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 = -1 &\geq -3 \\ x_1 = 2 &\geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

So this basic solution is a vertex.

Active Constraints: 2, 5, 3

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 - 3 = 1 \\ x_3 = 0 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution does not meet constraint 1 because

$$3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 12 - 3 = 9 > 5.$$

So this basic solution is not a vertex.

Active Constraints: 2, 1, 3

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 1 \\ 3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 - 3 - x_3 = 1 \\ 3x_1 - 3 + x_3 = 5 \\ x_2 = -3 \end{array} \right\} \implies x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

This basic solution does not meet constraint 5 because $x_3 = -1 < 0$. So this basic solution is not a vertex.

Now we have all the vertices. We know that two vertices are adjacent if they share $n - 1 = 2$ active constraints. Below we display which vertices are adjacent.

Problem 2

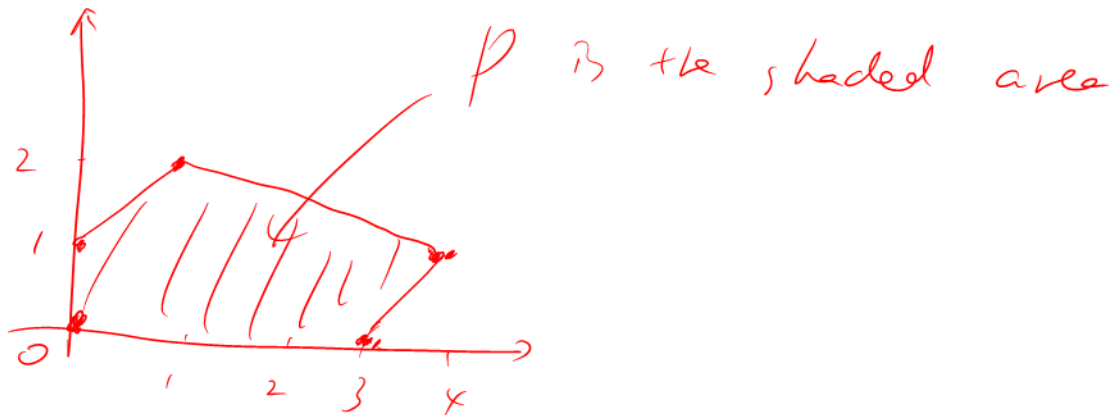
First we convert the problem to standard form.

$$S = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \begin{array}{l} 3x_1 + \bar{x}_2 + x_3 + s = 8 \\ x_1 + \bar{x}_2 - x_3 = 4 \\ \bar{x}_2 \geq 0 \\ x_1 \geq 0 \\ x_3 \geq 0 \\ s \geq 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

where s is a slack variable and $\bar{x}_2 = x_2 + 3$. I will write \bar{x} for the four-tuple $(x_1, \bar{x}_2, x_3, s)^\top$ and x for the three-tuple $(x_1, x_2, x_3)^\top$. By manipulating a tableau, we will find the same solutions that we had in the above problem.

$$\begin{array}{l} \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} 8 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \quad (\text{The initial tableau}) \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} 12 & 4 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -4 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -4 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Not feasible} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} 4 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Fesible. A vertex.} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} -4 & 0 & -2 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Not fesible.} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} -1 & 0 & -1/2 & 1 & 1/4 \\ 3 & 1 & 1/2 & 0 & 1/4 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Not fesible.} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 6 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1/2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Fesible. A vertex.} \\ \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|cccc} 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1/2 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 & -2 & -1/2 \end{array} \right] \Rightarrow \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Fesible. A vertex.} \end{array}$$

Problem 3



vertices of P : $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$$P = \left\{ x_i \mid x_1 - 2x_2 \geq -2, x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 6, x_1 - x_2 \leq 3, x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0 \right\}$$

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ $b = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 6 \\ 3 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

then $P = \{ x_i \mid Ax \leq b \}$

Problem 4

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^T (u_i - v_i)$$

s.t. $Au_i \leq b \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$Av_i \leq b \quad i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$e_i = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0)^T$$