

# Another Way to Look at Duality; Parametric Programming And Prelude to Sensitivity Analysis

Class 15

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# Notes on Exam 1

## **Assignment 6**

### Sensible Rules for Remembering Duals: The S-O-B Method

## Another Way To Look At Duality

Consider Dual to Fromage Cheese Company Problem

Minimize  $6000C + 2600S + 2000B$  subject to

$$30C + 10S + 4B \geq 4.5$$

$$12C + 8S + 8B \geq 4$$

$$C, S, B \geq 0$$

Let  $C, S, B$  be any feasible solution.

Multiply the first constraint by 150 and the second by 100:

$$4500C + 1500S + 600B \geq 675$$

$$1200C + 800S + 800B \geq 400.$$

Add the constraints

$$5700C + 2300S + 1400B \geq 1175.$$

But  $6000C + 2600S + 2000B > 5700C + 2300S + 1400B \geq 1075$

We want to find the **best multipliers**  $x, y \geq 0$  such that  $x(30C + 10S + 4B) \geq 4.5x$  and  $y(12C + 8S + 8B) \geq 4y$  so that  $(30x + 12y)C + (10x + 8y)S + (4x + 8y)B \geq 4.5x + 4y$  is as large as possible and

$$6000C + 2600S + 2000B \geq (30x + 12y)C + (10x + 8y)S + (4x + 8y)B$$

Comparing coefficients of  $C, S, B$  indicates

$$6000 \geq 30x + 12y, 2600 \geq 10x + 8y, 2000 \geq 4x + 8y.$$

**Introduction  
To  
Parametric Programming  
and  
Sensitivity Analysis**

# As Usual, a Cheesy Start



### *Fromage Cheese Problem*

Maximize  $4.5x + 4y$

subject to

$$30x + 12y \leq 6000 \text{ (Cheddar)}$$

$$10x + 8y \leq 2600 \text{ (Swiss)}$$

$$4x + 8y \leq 2000 \text{ (Brie)}$$

$$x, y \geq 0$$

$x$  and  $y$  are number of packages of each assortment to prepare

### *Dual Problem*

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subject to

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$$12C + 8S + 8B \geq 4$$

$$C, S, B \geq 0$$

$C, S, B$  are the price per ounce to offer for the cheeses

Consider the Revenue Function:

$$M = 4.5x + 4y = 4.5\left(x + \frac{4}{4.5}y\right)$$



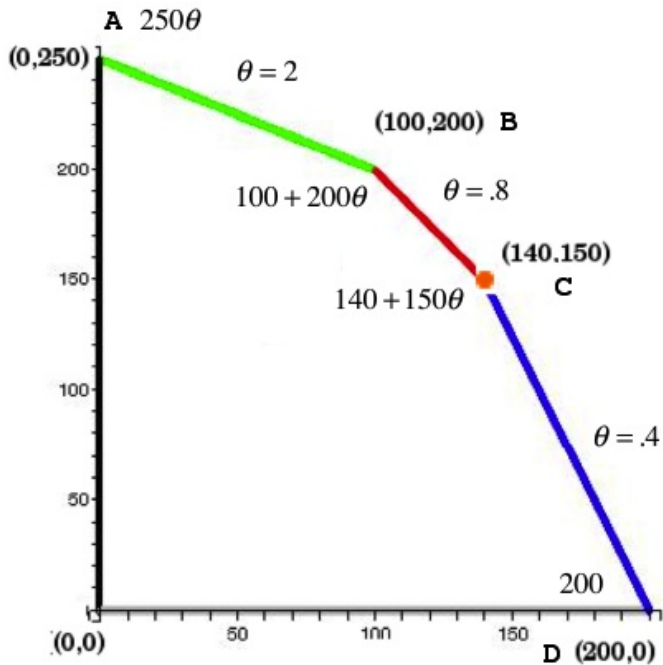
## Change in Relative Prices Charged

Revenue Function:  $M = 4.5x + 4y = 4.5(x + \frac{4}{4.5}y) =$   
 $M = 4.5(x + \theta y)$

Vertex	Coordinates	$M = x + \theta y$	
O	(0,0)	0	
A	(0,250)	$250\theta$	tie at A & B when $\theta = 2$
B	(100,200)	$100 + 200\theta$	tie at B & C when $\theta = 4/5$
C	(140, 150)	$140 + 150\theta$	tie at C & D when $\theta = 2/5$
D	(200,0)	200	

(100, 200) remains optimal for  $\frac{4}{5} \leq \theta \leq 2$

(100,200) maximizes  $4.5x + by$  for all  $b$  such that  
 $\$3.60 \leq b \leq \$9.00$



# Prelude To Sensitivity Analysis

Let's examine objective function row for original and final table of Fromage Problem

	Z	x	y	u	v	w	
Original	1	-4.5	-4	0	0	0	0
Final	1	0	0	0	5/12	1/12	1250

Look at

$$[ \mathbf{0, 5/12, 1/12} ] \begin{bmatrix} 30 & 12 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 6000 \\ 10 & 8 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2600 \\ 4 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2000 \end{bmatrix}$$

1 by 3

3 by 6

$$= [4.5, 4, 0, 5/12, 1/12, 1250]$$

which is exactly what got added to the original objective function row.

We can express the final Objective Function Row as

$\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{c}$  where  $\mathbf{z}$  represents what was added:

$$\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{c} = [0, 5/12, 1/12] \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{c}$$

and  $[0, 5/12, 1/12]$  is the vector of shadow prices.

IDEA: We can reconstruct parts of the final tableau from other parts and from the original data.

Foundations of Revised Simplex Method

Fromage

$$\mathbf{A}, \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 6000 \\ 2600 \\ 2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

3 by 2            2 by 1            3 by 1

Augment A with 3 x 3 identity and slack variables  $\mathbf{x}_s = \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \\ w \end{pmatrix}$

$$[\mathbf{A}, \mathbb{I}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{x}_s \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}$$

(3 x 5) (5 x 1) = (3 x 1)

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbb{I} \mathbf{x}_s = \mathbf{b}$$

(A system of 3 equations in 5 unknowns)

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \text{General Case} & \\ \mathbf{A}, & \mathbf{x} & \mathbf{b} \\ m \text{ by } n & n \text{ by } 1 & m \text{ by } 1 \end{array}$$

Augment  $\mathbf{A}$  with  $m \times m$  identity matrix  $\mathbb{I}$  and slack variables  $\mathbf{x}_s$   
(an  $m \times 1$  vector)

$$[\mathbf{A}, \mathbb{I}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{x}_s \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$(m \times m + n) (m + n \times 1) = (m \times 1)$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} + \mathbb{I} \mathbf{x}_s = \mathbf{b}$$

(A system of  $m$  equations in  $m + n$  unknowns)

To find a basic solution, pick  $2(n)$  variables to become 0 (nonbasic variables)

Then the system becomes

Fromage: 3 equations in 3 unknowns

General:  $m$  equations in  $m$  unknowns.



The coefficient matrix  $B$  of this square system of equations comes from eliminating the columns of  $[A, I]$  corresponding to the nonbasic variables.

We can write the system as

$$B\mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{b}$$

where  $\mathbf{x}_B$  is the vector of basic variables obtained by eliminating the nonbasic variables from  $[x, xs]^T$ .

Then the solution is  $\mathbf{x}_B = B^{-1}\mathbf{b}$   
and the value of the objective function is

$$Z = \mathbf{c}_B\mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{c}_B(B^{-1}\mathbf{b})$$

where  $\mathbf{c}_B$  is the vector whose entries are the objective function coefficients for the corresponding elements of  $\mathbf{x}_B$

Pay attention to dimensions:

Fromage:  $B^{-1}$  is  $3 \times 3$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $3 \times 1$

General:  $B^{-1}$  is  $m \times m$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  is  $m \times 1$ .

The Matrix Form of Equations in Initial Tableau:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\mathbf{c} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & A & \mathbb{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Z \\ \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{x}_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

After an iteration, the right hand side of the equation becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} Z \\ \mathbf{x}_B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \\ B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus original right hand side was multiplied on the left by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

so left hand side was also multiplied by this matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\mathbf{c} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & A & \mathbb{I} \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus the left hand side has the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\mathbf{c} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & A & \mathbb{I} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} A & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} A & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

and the matrix form of the equations of the tableau is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\mathbf{c} + \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} A & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\ \mathbf{0} & B^{-1} A & B^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Z \\ \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{x}_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \\ B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \end{bmatrix}$$

# I Know What You Are Thinking



Thus, if we know the original data  $(A, \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{b})$  and which variables are in the basis, then we can determine  $B^{-1}$  and hence we can construct the entire tableau.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Z-row} \\
 \text{Other rows}
 \end{array}
 \left| \begin{array}{cc}
 \text{Original Variables} & \text{Slack Variables} \\
 \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} A - \mathbf{c} & \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \\
 B^{-1} A & B^{-1}
 \end{array} \right| \begin{array}{c}
 \mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \mathbf{b} \\
 B^{-1} \mathbf{b}
 \end{array}$$

## Initial Tableau for Fromage Problem

	Z	$x$	$y$	$u$	$v$	$w$	
Z	1	-4.5	-4	0	0	0	0
$u$	0	30	12	1	0	0	6000
$v$	0	10	8	0	1	0	2600
$w$	0	4	8	0	0	1	2000

Z-row	Original Variables	Slack Variables	
Other rows	$\mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} A - \mathbf{c}$	$\mathbf{c}_B B^{-1}$	$\mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$
	$B^{-1} A$	$B^{-1}$	$B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$

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### Example

Suppose we take  $x, y, w$  as basis.

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 30 & 12 & 0 \\ 10 & 8 & 0 \\ 4 & 8 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \implies B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/15 & -1/10 & 0 \\ -1/12 & 1/4 & 0 \\ 2/5 & -8/5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

	Original Variables	Slack Variables	
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Other rows	$B^{-1} A$	$B^{-1}$	$B^{-1} \mathbf{b}$

$$B^{-1} \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/15 & -1/10 & 0 \\ -1/12 & 1/4 & 0 \\ 2/5 & -8/5 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 6000 \\ 2600 \\ 2000 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 140 \\ 150 \\ 240 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{c}_B (B^{-1} \mathbf{b}) = \begin{bmatrix} 9/2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 140 \\ 150 \\ 240 \end{bmatrix} = 630 + 600 + 0 = 1230$$

$$\mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 9/2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1/30 & 11/20 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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$$\mathbf{c}_B B^{-1} A - \mathbf{c} = \left[ \frac{9}{2} \quad 4 \quad 0 \right] \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \frac{9}{2} \quad 4 \right] - \left[ \frac{9}{2} \quad 4 \right] = \left[ 0 \quad 0 \right]$$

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$$\left[ \begin{array}{cc|ccc|c}
 0 & 0 & -1/30 & 11/20 & 0 & 1230 \\
 1 & 0 & 1/15 & -1/10 & 0 & 140 \\
 0 & 1 & -1/12 & 1/4 & 0 & 150 \\
 0 & 0 & 2/5 & -8/5 & 1 & 240
 \end{array} \right]$$

Exercise: Do Example with  
 $x, v, w$  as the basis

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Dimensions:  $\mathbf{x} : 2 \times 1, \mathbf{y} : 1 \times 3, \mathbf{A} : 3 \times 2, \mathbf{c} : 1 \times 2, \mathbf{b} : 3 \times 1.$

General:  $\mathbf{x} : n \times 1, \mathbf{y} : 1 \times m, \mathbf{A} : m \times n, \mathbf{c} : 1 \times n, \mathbf{b} : m \times 1.$

*Primal Problem*

Maximize  $Z = \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x}$

subject to

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{x} \geq 0$$

*Dual Problem*

Minimize  $W = \mathbf{y}\mathbf{b}$

subject to

$$\mathbf{y}\mathbf{A} \geq \mathbf{c}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{y} \geq 0.$$

*Primal Problem*

Maximize  $Z = \mathbf{c}x$   
subject to  
 $Ax \leq \mathbf{b}$   
and  $x \geq 0$

*Dual Problem*

Minimize  $W = y\mathbf{b}$   
subject to  
 $yA \geq \mathbf{c}$   
and  $y \geq 0$ .

*Alternative 1 for Dual*

Minimize  $W = \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{w}$   
subject to  
 $A^T \mathbf{w} \geq \mathbf{c}^T$   
and  $\mathbf{w} \geq 0$   
 $\mathbf{w}$  : column vector

*Alternative 2 for Dual*

Maximize  $W = -\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{w}$   
subject to  
 $-A^T \mathbf{w} \leq -\mathbf{c}^T$   
and  $\mathbf{w} \geq 0$ .  
 $\mathbf{w}$ : column vector

# EXAM RESULTS

**Median: 89**

**Average: 87.6**

## Announcements

Your exam results do  
not define you as a  
person and/or predict  
your future!

Laura Henry

