

2D Linear Programming

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(a subset of the original slides are used here)

The LP Problem

maximize $c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \cdots + c_dx_d$

subject to:

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \cdots + a_{1d}x_d \leq b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \cdots + a_{2d}x_d \leq b_2$$

\vdots

$$a_{n1}x_1 + a_{n2}x_2 + \cdots + a_{nd}x_d \leq b_n$$

Applications

- The most widely used Mathematical Optimization Model.
- Management science (Operations Research).
- Engineering, technology, industry, commerce, economics.
- Efficient resource allocation:
 - Airline transportation,
 - Communication network – opt. transmission routing,
 - Factory inventory/production control,
 - Fund management, stock portfolio optimization.
- Approximation of hard optimization problems.
- ...

Example in 2D

$$\max \quad x_1 + 8x_2$$

subject to:

$$(1) \quad x_1 \geq 3$$

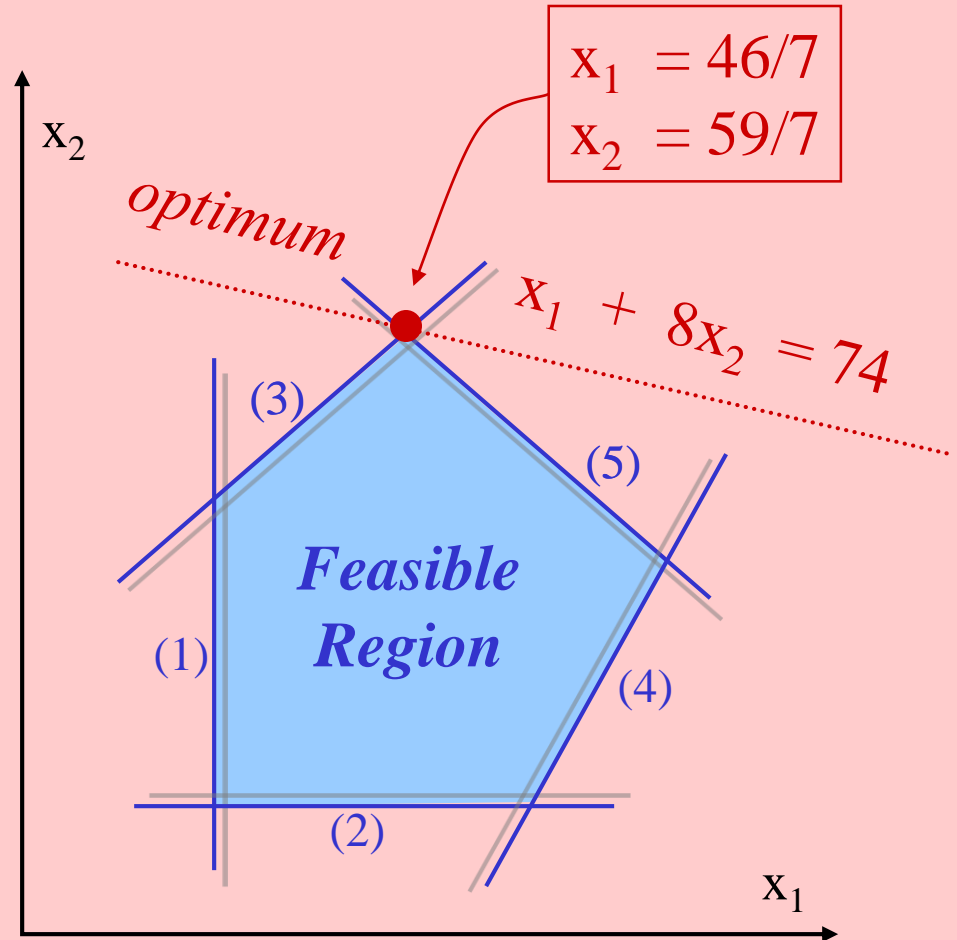
$$(2) \quad x_2 \geq 2$$

$$(3) \quad -3x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 14$$

$$(4) \quad 4x_1 - 3x_2 \leq 25$$

$$(5) \quad x_1 + x_2 \leq 15$$

optimum
basic
constraints



Example in 3D

maximize z

subject to:

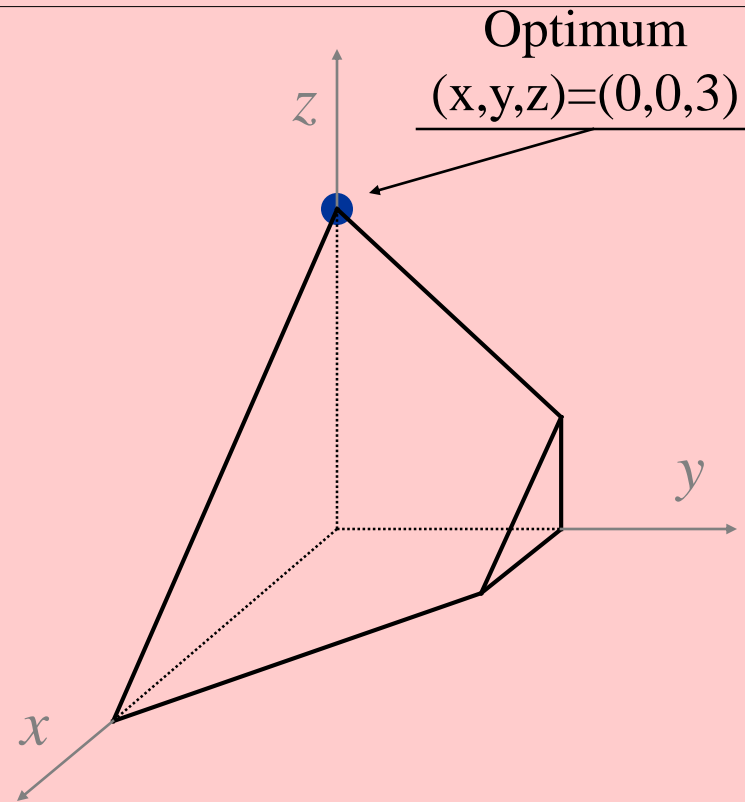
$$x + y + z \leq 3$$

$$y \leq 2$$

$$x \geq 0$$

$$y \geq 0$$

$$z \geq 0$$



History of LP

- ❑ 3000-200 BC: Egypt, Babylon, India, China, Greece: [geometry & algebra]
 - Egypt: polyhedra & pyramids.
 - India: [Sulabha suutrah](#) (Easy Solution Procedures) [2 equations, 2 unknowns]
 - China: [Jiuzhang suanshu](#) (9 Chapters on the Mathematical Art)
[Precursor of Gauss-Jordan elimination method on linear equations]
 - Greece: [Pythagoras](#), [Euclid](#), [Archimedes](#), ...
- ❑ 825 AD: Persia: [Muhammad ibn-Musa Alkhawrazmi](#) (author of 2 influential books):
 - “Al-Maqhaleh fi Hisab al-jabr w’almoqhabeleh” (An essay on Algebra and equations)
 - “Kitab al-Jam’a wal-Tafreeq bil Hisab al-Hindi” (Book on Hindu Arithmetic).
 - originated the words **algebra** & **algorithm** for solution procedures of algebraic systems.
- ❑ Fourier [1826], Motzkin [1933] [Fourier-Motzkin elimination method on linear inequalities]
- ❑ Minkowski [1896], Farkas [1902], De la Vallée Poussin [1910], von Neumann [1930’s], Kantorovich [1939], Gale [1960] [LP duality theory & precursor of Simplex]
- ❑ [George Dantzig \[1947\]](#): **Simplex algorithm.**
 - Exponential time in the worst case, but effective in practice.
- ❑ [Leonid Khachiyan \[1979\]](#): **Ellipsoid algorithm.**
 - The first weakly polynomial-time LP algorithm: $\text{poly}(n,d,L)$.
- ❑ [Narendra Karmarkar \[1984\]](#): **Interior Point Method.**
 - Also weakly polynomial-time. IPM variations are very well studied.
- ❑ [Megiddo-Dyer \[1984\]](#): **Prune-&-Search method.**
 - $O(n)$ time if the dimension is a fixed constant. Super-exponential on dimension.

LP: Fundamental Facts

Fundamental Theorem of LP

For any instance of LP exactly one of the following three possibilities holds:

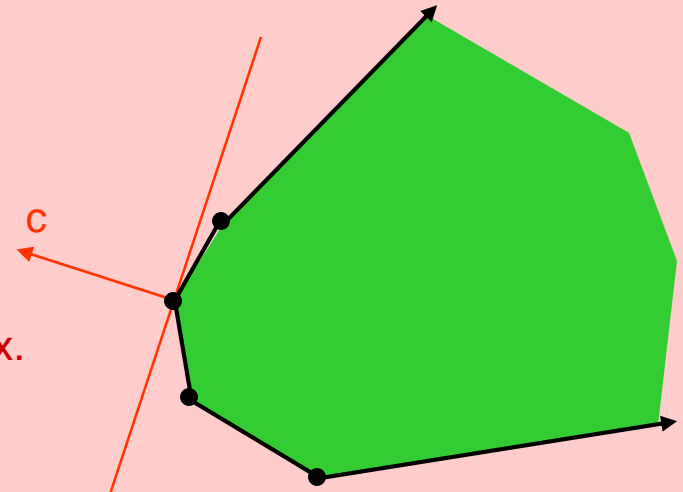
- (a) Infeasible.
- (b) Feasible but no bounded optimum.
- (c) Bounded optimum.

[Note: Feasible polyhedron could be unbounded even if optimum is bounded. It depends on the direction of the objective vector.]

Moreover, if A has full rank (i.e., \exists basis), then every nonempty face of the feasible polyhedron contains a BFS, and this implies:

- (1) \exists feasible solution $\Rightarrow \exists$ BFS.
- (2) \exists optimum solution $\Rightarrow \exists$ optimum solution that is a BFS.

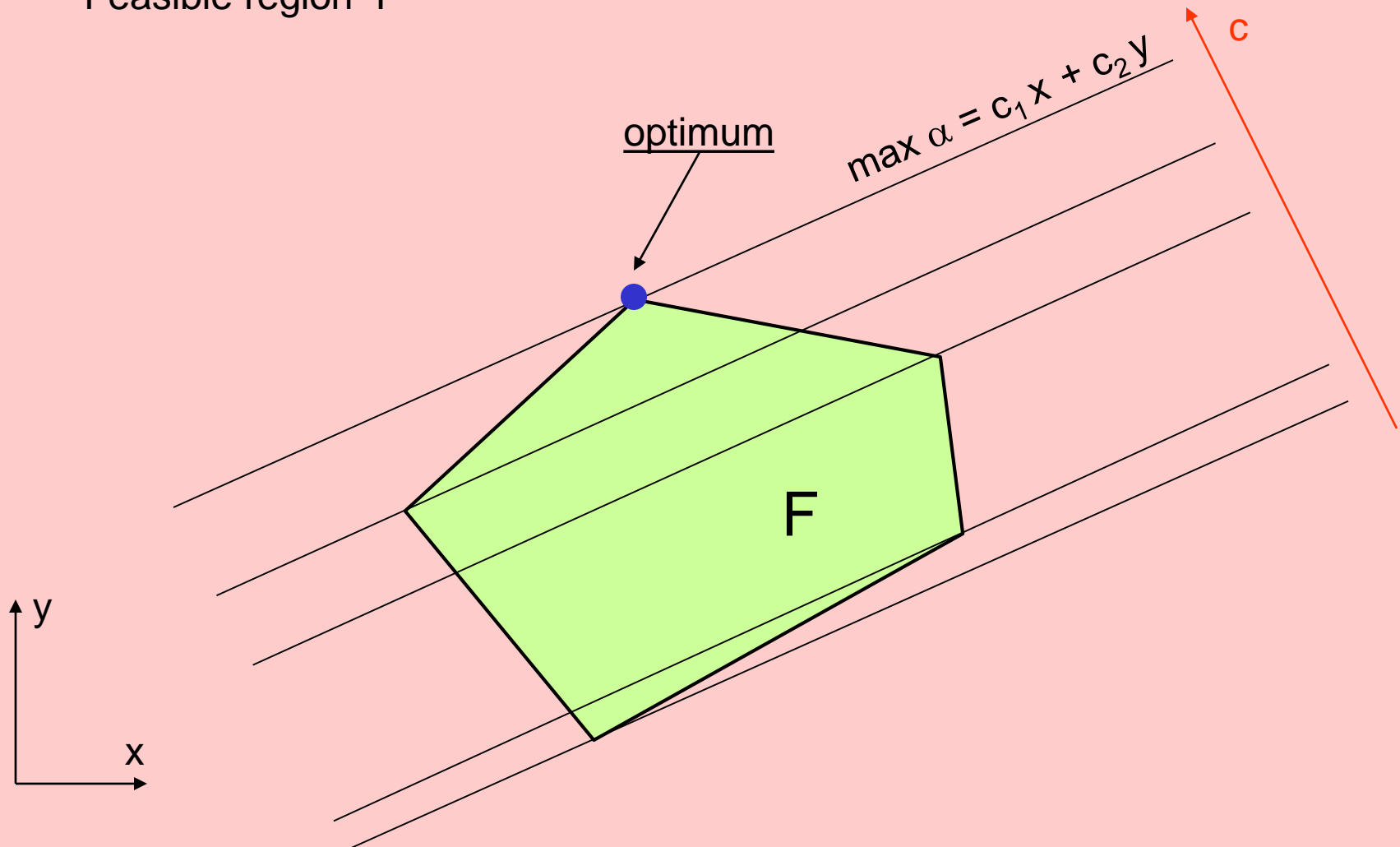
Proof: If there is a basis, the basic cone contains the feasible region but does not contain any line. So the feasible region does not contain any line, hence it is pointed. So every non-empty face of it (including the optimal face, if non-empty) is pointed, and thus contains a vertex. (For details see exercise 4.)



2D Linear Programming

Objective function $\alpha = c_1 x + c_2 y$, $c^T = (c_1, c_2)$

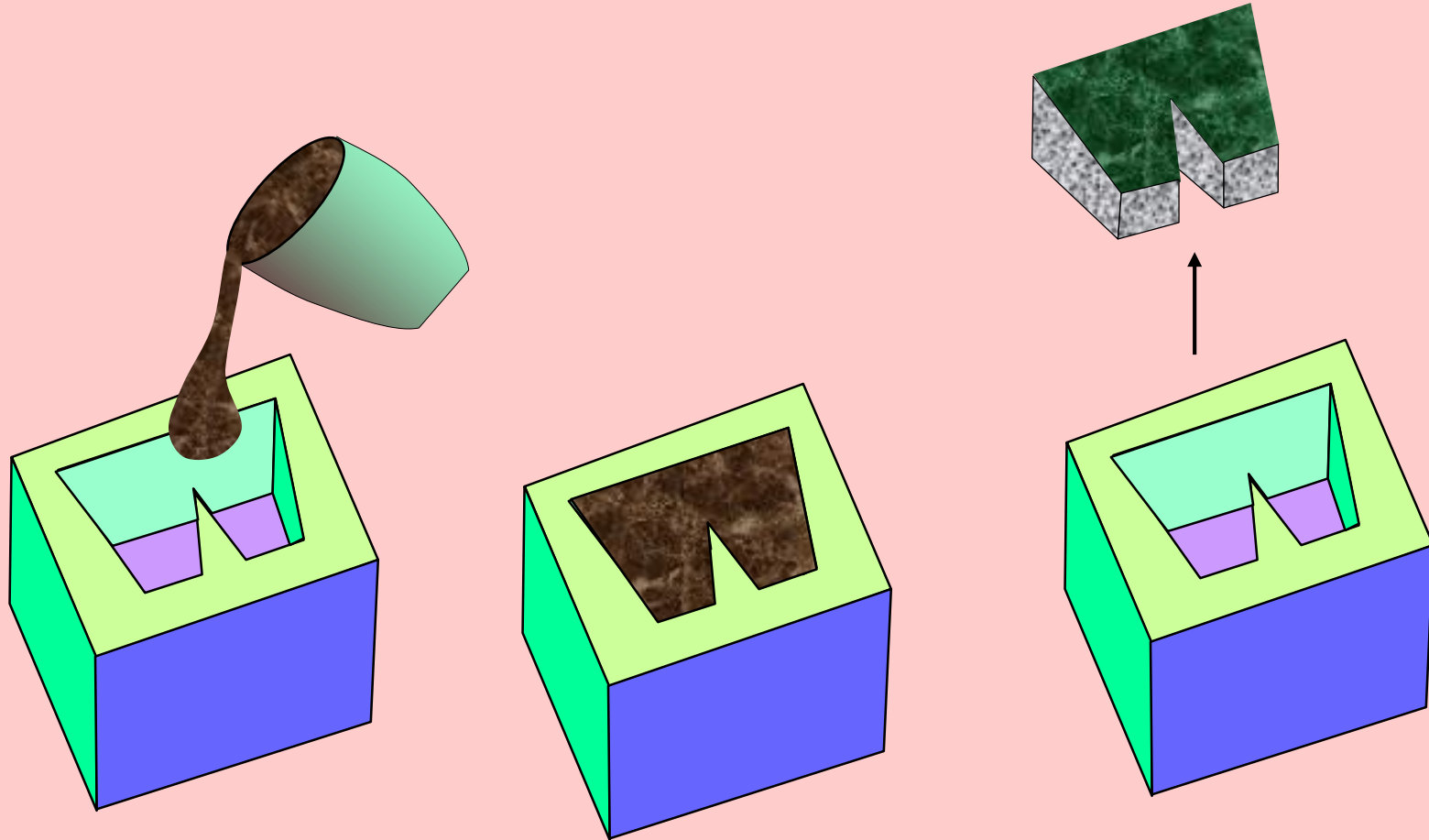
Feasible region F



2D Linear Programming

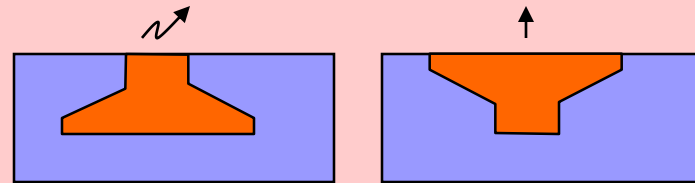
- ❑ Feasible region F is the intersection of n half-planes.
- ❑ F is (empty, bounded or unbounded) convex polygon with $\leq n$ vertices.
- ❑ F can be computed in $O(n \log n)$ time by divide-&-conquer
(See Lecture-Slide 3).
- ❑ If F is empty, then LP is infeasible.
- ❑ Otherwise, we can check its vertices, and its possibly up to 2 unbounded edges, to determine the optimum.
- ❑ The latter step can be done by binary search in $O(\log n)$ time.
- ❑ If objective changes but constraints do not, we can update the optimum in only $O(\log n)$ time. (We don't need to start from scratch).
- ❑ Improvement Next:
Feasible region need not be computed to find the optimum vertex.
Optimum can be found in $O(n)$ time both randomized & deterministic.

2D LP Example: Manufacturing with Molds

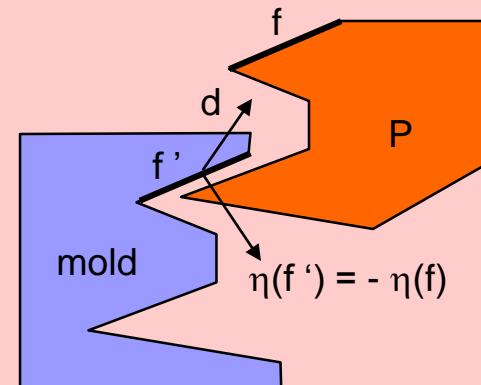


2D LP Example: Manufacturing with Molds

The Geometry of Casting: Is there a mold for an n -faceted 3D polytope P such that P can be removed from the mold by translation?



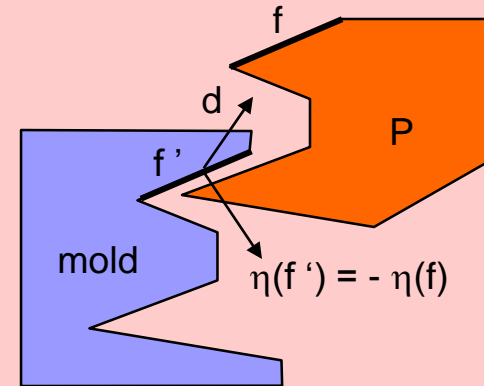
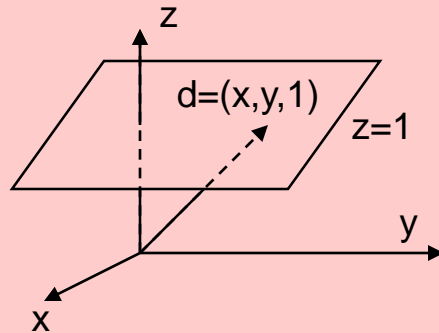
Lemma: P can be removed from its mold with a single translation in direction d
 $\Leftrightarrow d$ makes an angle $\geq 90^\circ$ with the outward normal of all non-top facets of P .



Corollary: Many small translations possible \Leftrightarrow Single translation possible.

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$\eta(f) = (\eta_x(f) , \eta_y(f) , \eta_z(f))$ outward normal to facet f of P .

$d^T \cdot \eta(f) \leq 0 \quad \forall$ non-top facet f of $P \iff$

$$\eta_x(f) \cdot x + \eta_y(f) \cdot y + \eta_z(f) \leq 0 \quad \forall f$$

$n-1$ constraints

THEOREM: The mold casting problem can be solved in $O(n \log n)$ time.
(This will be improved to $O(n)$ time on the next slides.)

Randomized Incremental Algorithm

Randomization

Random(k): Returns an integer $i \in 1..k$, each with equal probability $1/k$.
[Use a random number generator.]

Algorithm RandomPermute (A) $O(n)$ time

Input: Array A[1..n]

Output: A random permutation of A[1..n] with each
 of $n!$ possible permutations equally likely.

for $k \leftarrow n$ downto 2 **do** Swap A[k] with A[Random(k)]

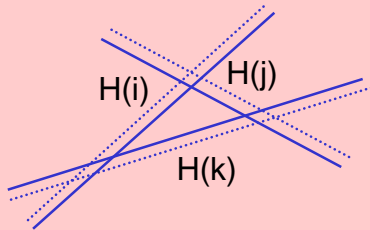
end.

This is a basic “initial” part of many randomized incremental algorithms.

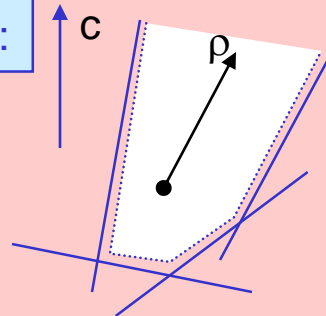
2D LP: Incremental Algorithm

Method: Add constraints one-by-one, while maintaining the current optimum vertex.

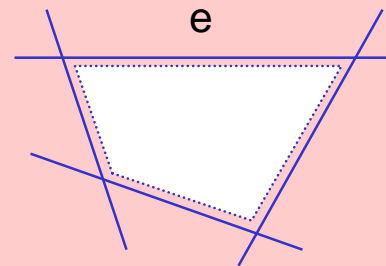
Possible Outcomes:



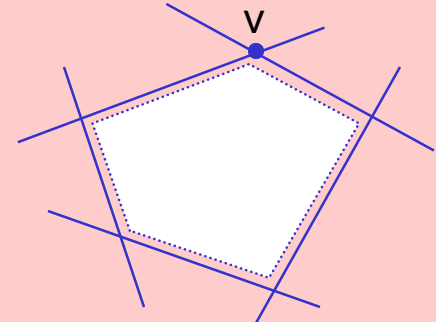
Infeasible



Unbounded



Non-unique optimum



Unique optimum

Input: (H, c) , $H = \{ H(1), H(2), \dots, H(n) \}$ n half-planes, $c =$ objective vector

Output: Infeasible: (i, j, k) , or

Unbounded: ρ , or

Optimum: $v = \operatorname{argmax}_x \{ c^T x \mid x \in H(1) \cap H(2) \cap \dots \cap H(n) \}$.

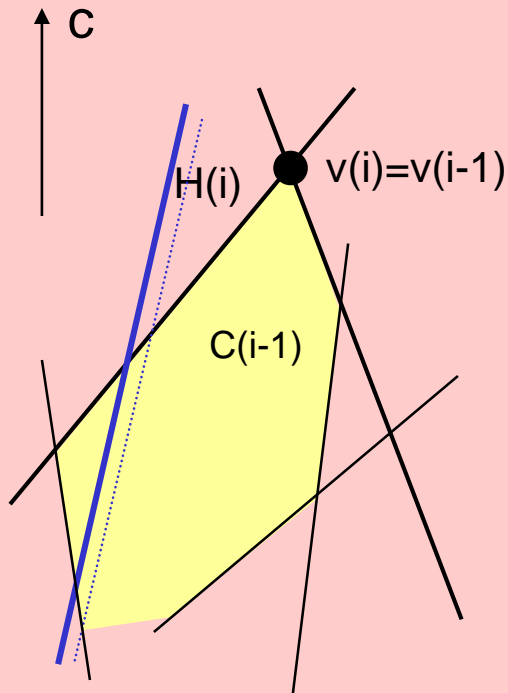
Define: $C(i) = H(1) \cap H(2) \cap \dots \cap H(i)$, for $i = 1..n$

$v(i) =$ optimum vertex of $C(i)$, for $i=2..n$. $c^T v(i) = \max \{ c^T x \mid x \in C(i) \}$

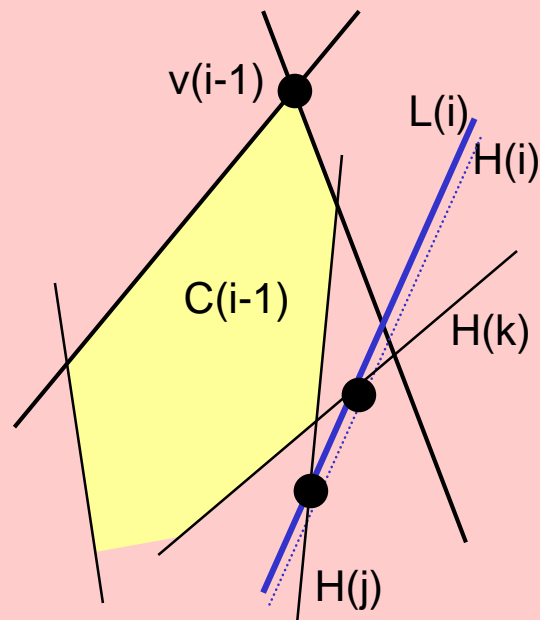
Note: $C(1) \supseteq C(2) \supseteq \dots \supseteq C(n)$.

2D LP: Incremental Algorithm

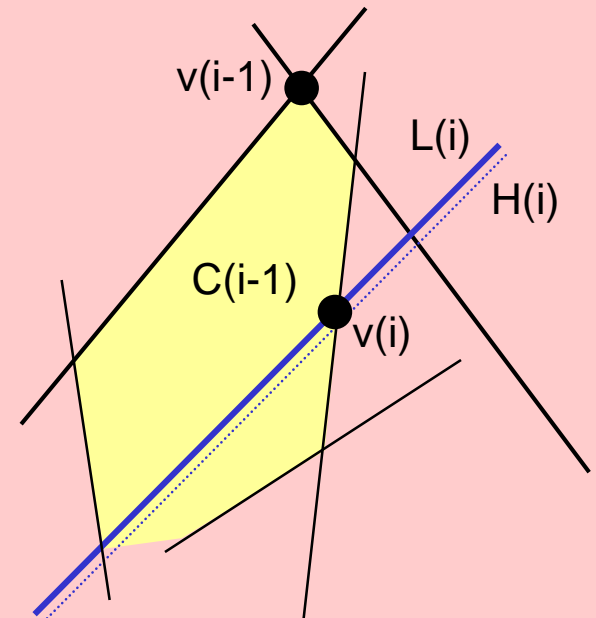
LEMMA: (1) $v(i-1) \in H(i) \Rightarrow v(i-1) \in C(i) \Rightarrow v(i) \leftarrow v(i-1)$.
(2) $v(i-1) \notin H(i) \Rightarrow$
 (2a) $C(i) = \emptyset$, or
 (2b) $v(i) \in L(i) \cap C(i-1)$, $L(i)$ = bounding-line of $H(i)$.



(1)



(2a)

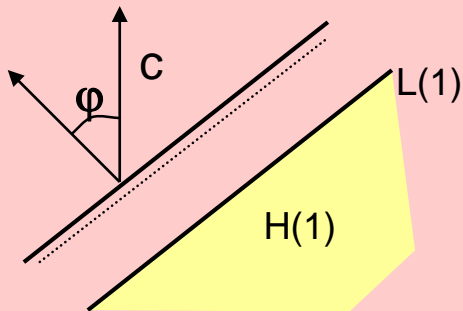


(2b)

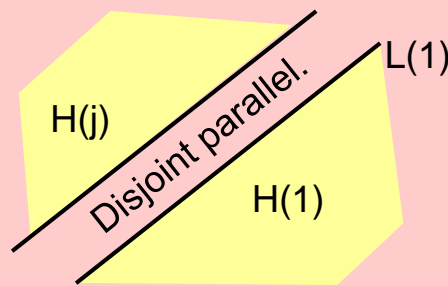
2D LP: Incremental Algorithm

Algorithm PreProcess (H,c) $O(n)$ time

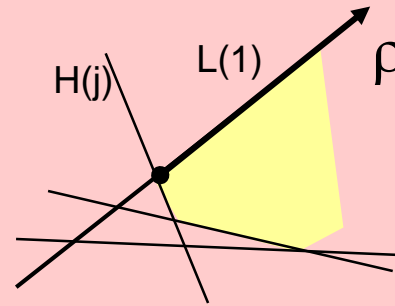
1. $\varphi \leftarrow \min \{ \text{angle between } c \text{ and outward normal of } H(i) \mid i=1..n \}$
 $H(i)$ = most restrictive constraint with angle φ
Swap $H(i)$ with $H(1)$ ($L(1)$ is bounding-line of $H(1)$).
2. If \exists (parallel) $H(j)$ with angle $\pi - \varphi$ and $H(1) \cap H(j) = \emptyset$ then return “infeasible”.
3. If $L(1) \cap H(j)$ is unbounded for all $H(j) \in H$, then
 $\rho \leftarrow$ most restrictive $L(1) \cap H(j)$ over all $H(j) \in H$
return (“unbounded”, ρ)
4. If $L(1) \cap H(j)$ is bounded for some $H(j) \in H$, then
Swap $H(j)$ with $H(2)$ and return “bounded”.



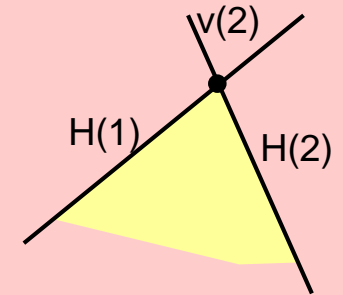
(1)



(2)



(3)



(4)

Randomized Incremental 2D LP Algorithm

Input: (H, c) , $H = \{H(1), H(2), \dots, H(n)\}$ n half-planes, $c =$ objective vector

Output: Solution to $\max \{ c^T x \mid x \in H(1) \cap H(2) \cap \dots \cap H(n) \}$

1. **if** **PreProcess**(H, c) returns (“unbounded”, ρ) or “infeasible”
then return the same answer
(else bounded or infeasible *)*
 2. $v(2) \leftarrow$ vertex of $H(1) \cap H(2)$
 3. **RandomPermute** ($H[3..n]$)
 4. **for** $i \leftarrow 3..n$ **do**
 5. **if** $v(i-1) \in H(i)$ **then** $v(i) \leftarrow v(i-1)$
 6. **else** $v(i) \leftarrow$ optimum vertex p of $L(i) \cap (H(1) \cap \dots \cap H(i-1))$ *(* 1D LP *)*
 7. **if** p does not exist **then return** “infeasible”
 8. **end-for**
 9. **return** (“optimum”, $v(n)$)
- end.**

Randomized Incremental 2D LP Algorithm

THEOREM: 2D LP Randomized Incremental algorithm has the following complexity:

Space complexity = $O(n)$

Time Complexity: (a) $O(n^2)$ worst-case
(b) $O(n)$ expected-case.

Proof of (a):

Line 6 is a 1D LP with $i-1$ constraints and takes $O(i)$ time.

Total time over for-loop of lines 4-8: $\sum_{i=3}^n O(i) = O(n^2)$.

Randomized Incremental 2D LP Algorithm

Proof of (b): Define 0/1 random variables $X(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v(i-1) \notin H(i) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ for $i = 3..n$.

Lines 5-7 take $O(i \cdot X(i) + 1)$ time. Total time is $T = O(n) + \sum_{i=3}^n O(i) \cdot X(i)$

Expected time:

$$\begin{aligned} E[T] &= O(n) + E\left[\sum_{i=3}^n O(i) \cdot X(i)\right] \\ &= O(n) + \sum_{i=3}^n O(i) \cdot E[X(i)] \end{aligned}$$

linearity of expectation

$$E[X(i)] = \Pr[v(i-1) \notin H(i)] \leq 2/(i-2)$$

Backwards Analysis

“Fix” $C(i) = \{H(1), H(2)\} \cup \{H(3), \dots, H(i)\}$

Random : $C(i-1) = C(i) - \{H(i)\}$ ← random

$v(i)$ is defined by 2 $H(j)$'s. The probability that one of them is $H(i)$ is $\leq 2/(i-2)$. This does not depend on $C(i)$. Hence, remove the “Fix” assumption.

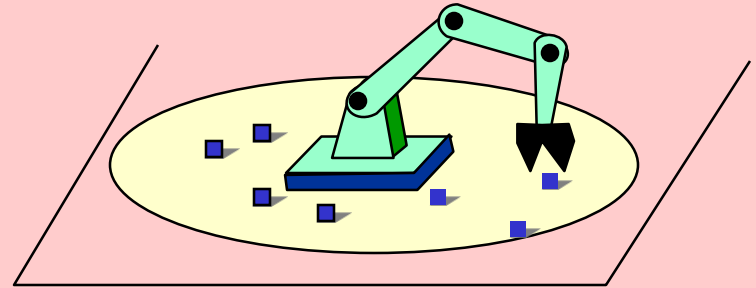
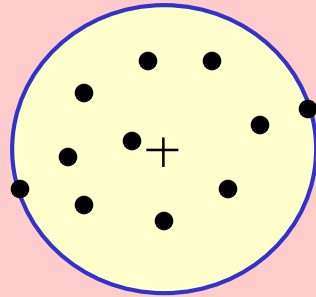
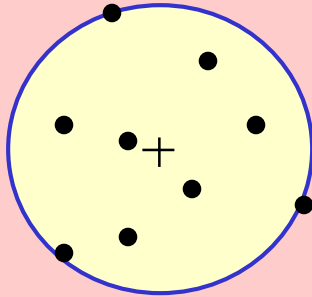
$$\text{Therefore : } E[T] \leq O(n) + \sum_{i=3}^n O(i) \cdot \frac{2}{i-2} = O(n).$$

**Randomized Incremental
Algorithm for
Smallest Enclosing Disk**

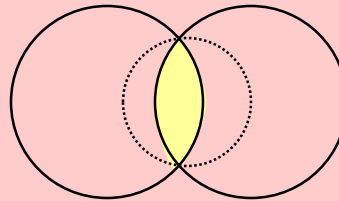
Smallest Enclosing Disk

Input: A set $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ of n points in the plane.

Output: Smallest enclosing disk D of P .



Lemma: Output is unique.



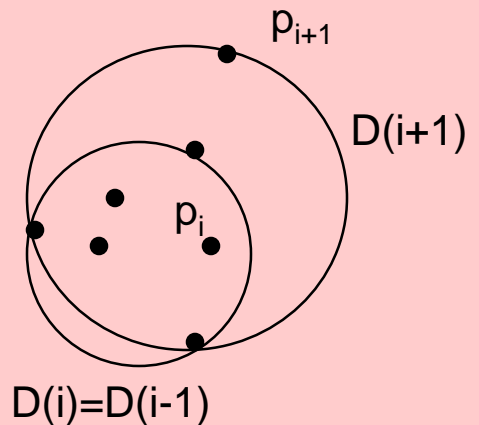
Incremental Construction:

$$P[1..i] = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_i\}$$

$D(i)$ = smallest enclosing disk of $P[1..i]$.

Lemma: (1) $p_i \in D(i-1) \Rightarrow D(i) = D(i-1)$

(2) $p_i \notin D(i-1) \Rightarrow p_i$ lies on the boundary of $D(i)$.



Smallest Enclosing Disk

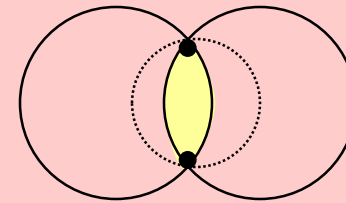
LEMMA: Let P and R be disjoint point sets in the plane. $p \in P$, R possibly empty.
 Define $MD(P, R) =$ minimum disk D such that $P \subseteq D$ & $R \subseteq \partial D$ ($\partial D =$ boundary of D).

- (1) If $MD(P, R)$ exists, then it's unique,
- (2) $p \in MD(P - \{p\}, R) \Rightarrow MD(P, R) = MD(P - \{p\}, R)$,
- (3) $p \notin MD(P - \{p\}, R) \Rightarrow MD(P, R) = MD(P - \{p\}, R \cup \{p\})$.

Proof: (1) If non-unique $\Rightarrow \exists$ smaller such disk:

(2) is obvious.

- (3) $D(0) \leftarrow MD(P - \{p\}, R)$
 $D(1) \leftarrow MD(P, R)$
 $D(\lambda) \leftarrow (1-\lambda) D(0) + \lambda D(1) \quad 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$



As λ goes from 0 to 1, $D(\lambda)$ continuously deforms from $D(0)$ to $D(1)$ s.t.

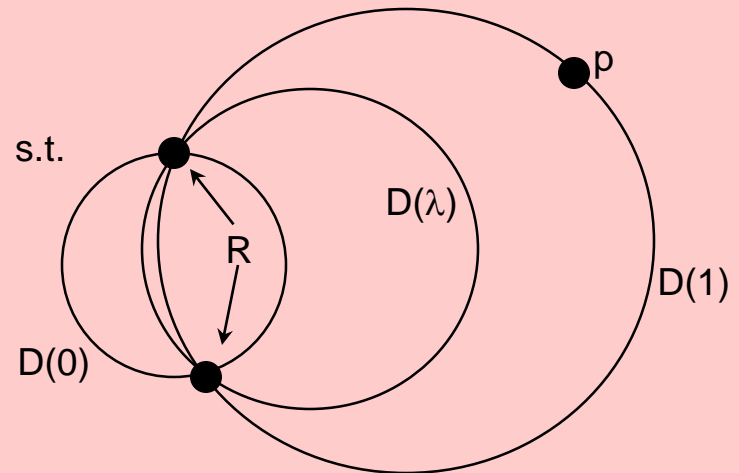
$$\partial D(0) \cap \partial D(1) \subseteq \partial D(\lambda).$$

$p \in D(1) - D(0) \Rightarrow$ by continuity \exists smallest λ^* , $0 < \lambda^* \leq 1$ s.t.

$p \in D(\lambda^*) \Rightarrow p \in \partial D(\lambda^*)$.

$\Rightarrow P \subseteq D(\lambda^*)$ & $R \subseteq \partial D(\lambda^*) \Rightarrow \lambda^* = 1$ by uniqueness.

Therefore, p is on the boundary of $D(1)$.



Smallest Enclosing Disk

Algorithm MinDisk ($P[1..n]$)

1. RandomPermute($P[1..n]$)
2. $D(2) \leftarrow$ smallest enclosing disk of $P[1..2]$
3. **for** $i \leftarrow 3..n$ **do**
4. **if** $p_i \in D(i-1)$ **then** $D(i) \leftarrow D(i-1)$
5. **else** $D(i) \leftarrow$ MinDiskWithPoint ($P[1..i-1]$, p_i)
6. **return** $D(n)$

Procedure MinDiskWithPoint ($P[1..j], q$)

1. RandomPermute($P[1..j]$)
2. $D(1) \leftarrow$ smallest enclosing disk of p_1 and q
3. **for** $i \leftarrow 2..j$ **do**
4. **if** $p_i \in D(i-1)$ **then** $D(i) \leftarrow D(i-1)$
5. **else** $D(i) \leftarrow$ MinDiskWith2Points ($P[1..i-1]$, q , p_i)
6. **return** $D(j)$

Procedure MinDiskWith2Points ($P[1..j], q_1, q_2$)

1. $D(0) \leftarrow$ smallest enclosing disk of q_1 and q_2
2. **for** $i \leftarrow 1..j$ **do**
3. **if** $p_i \in D(i-1)$ **then** $D(i) \leftarrow D(i-1)$
4. **else** $D(i) \leftarrow$ Disk (q_1, q_2, p_i)
5. **return** $D(j)$

Show random permutation only once is enough

Smallest Enclosing Disk

THEOREM: The smallest enclosing disk of n points in the plane can be computed in randomized $O(n)$ expected time and $O(n)$ space.

Proof: Space $O(n)$ is obvious.

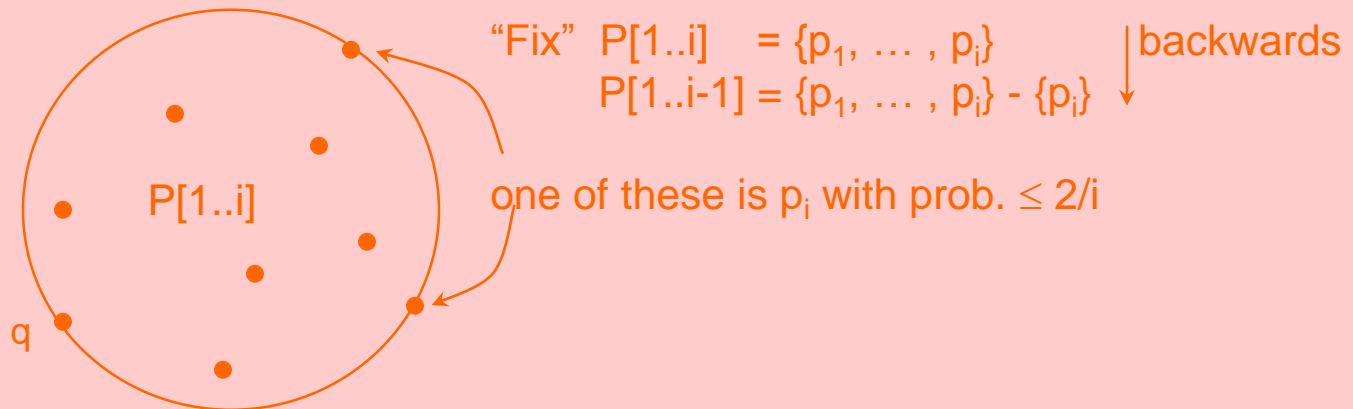
MinDiskWith2Points (P, q_1, q_2) takes $O(n)$ time.

MinDiskWithPoint (P, q) takes time:

$$T = O(n) + \sum_{i=2}^n O(i) * X(i) \quad \text{where} \quad X(i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p_i \in \partial D(i) - D(i-1) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$E[X(i)] \leq 2/i \quad (\text{by backwards analysis})$$

$$E[T] = O(n) + \sum_{i=2}^n O(i) * \frac{2}{i} = O(n).$$



Apply this idea once more: expected running time of MinDisk is also $O(n)$.