

II. Linear Programming

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- **Possible Actions:** Advertise on one of the primary issues which are (i) building more roads, (ii) gun control, (iii) farm subsidies and (iv) a gasoline tax dedicated to improve public transit.



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- Linear-Programming Problem:** either minimize or maximize a linear function subject to a set of linear constraints

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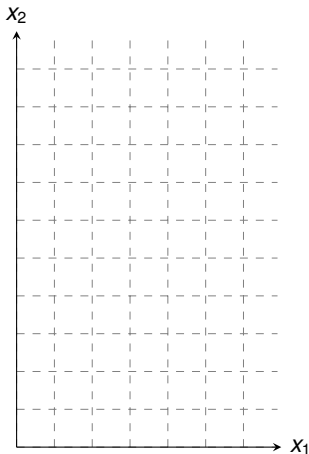
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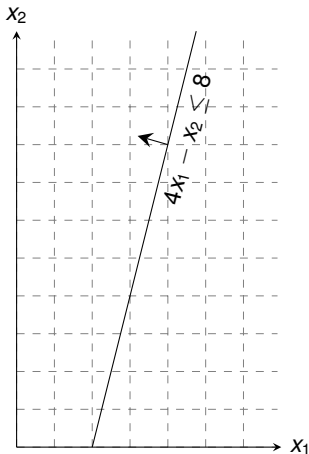
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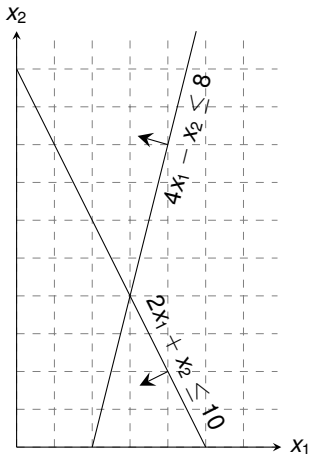
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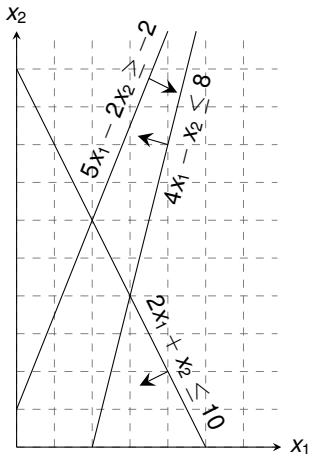
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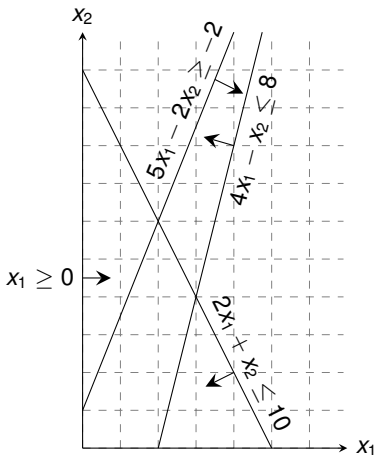
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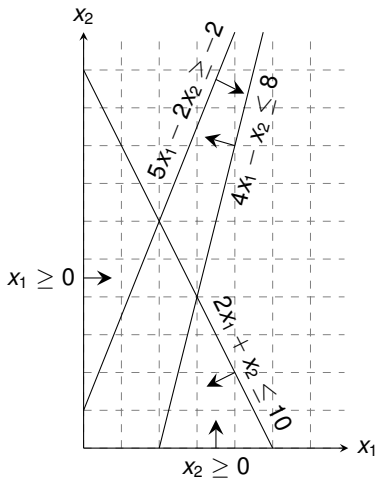
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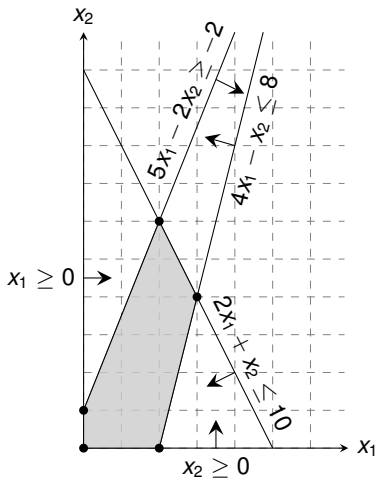
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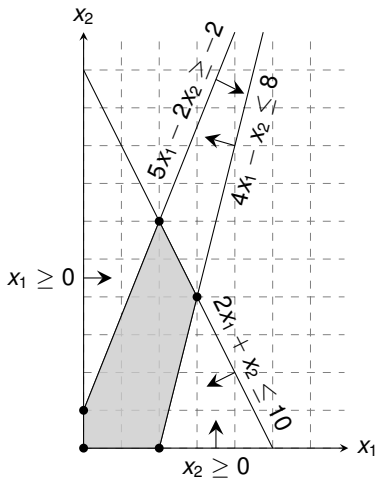
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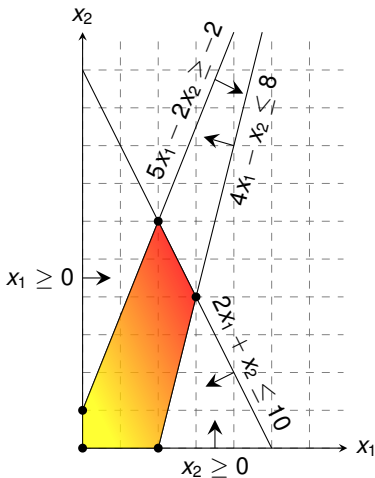
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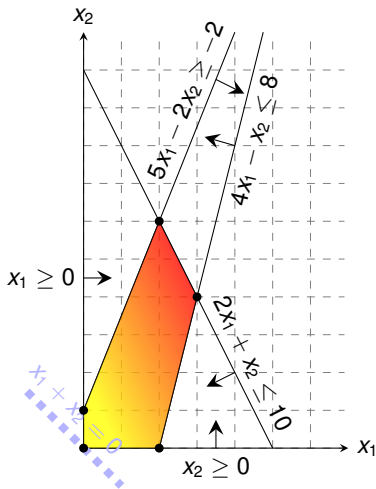
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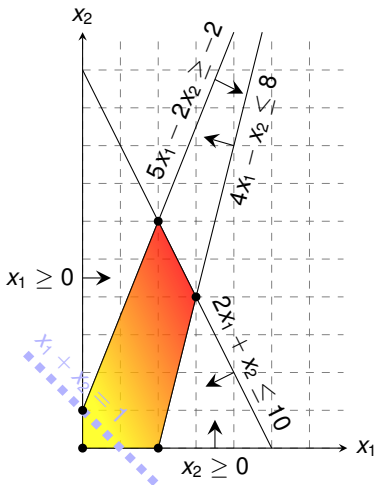
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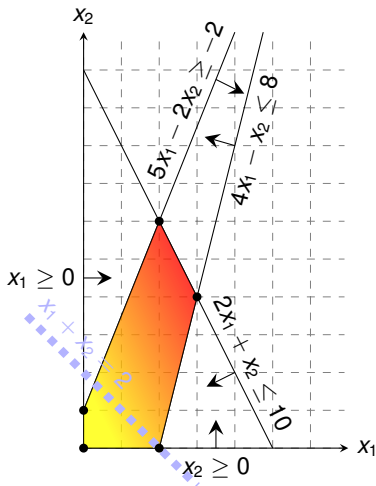
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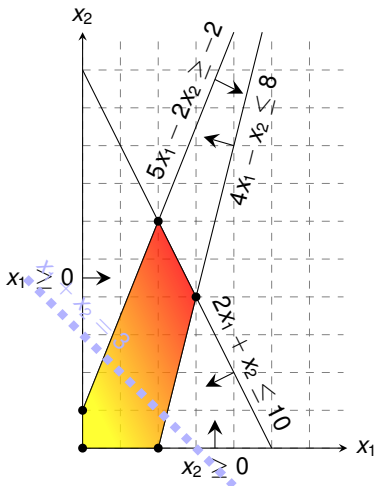
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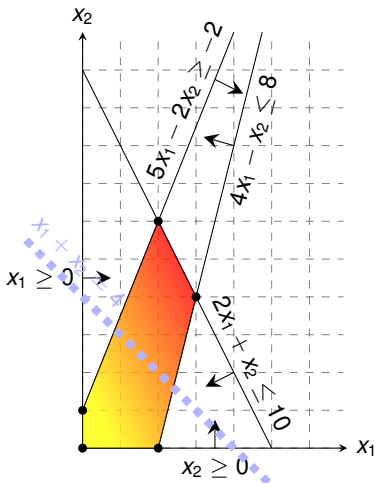
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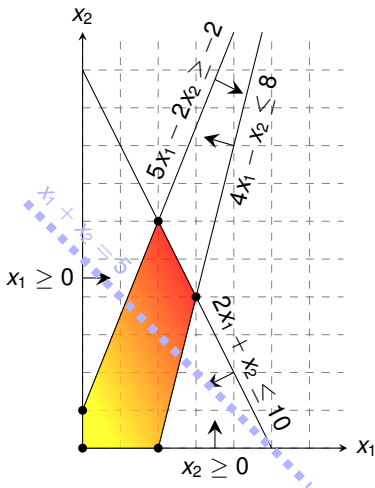
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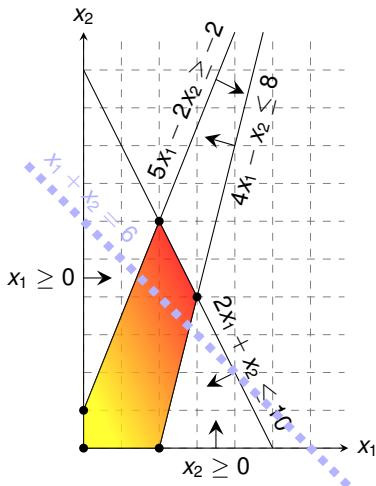
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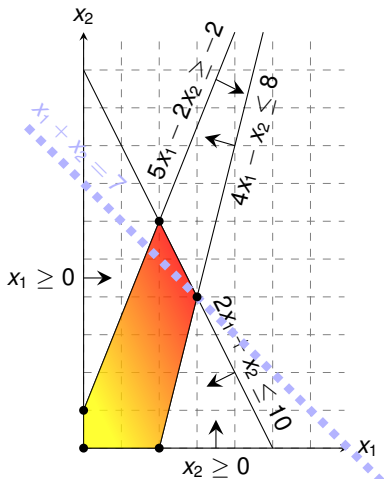
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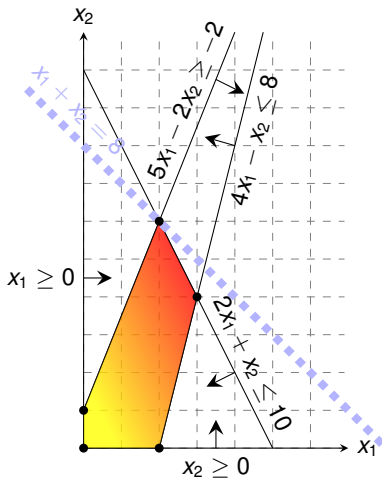
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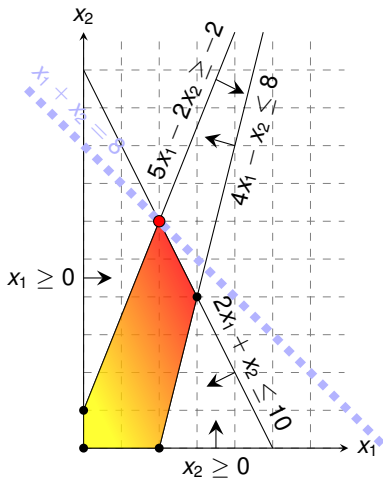
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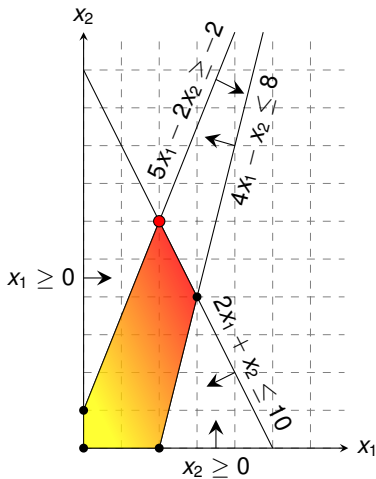
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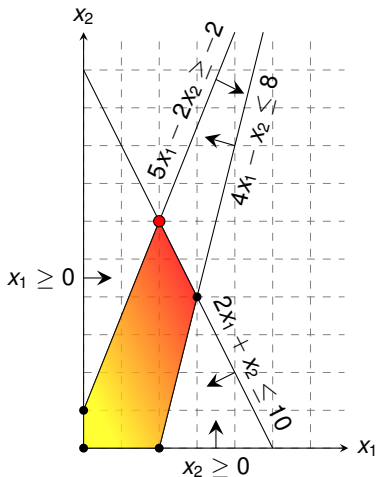
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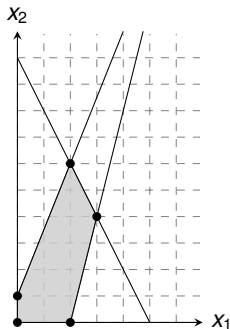
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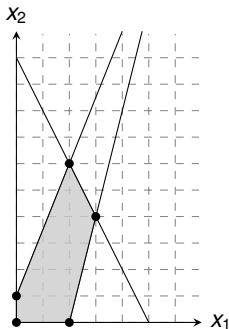
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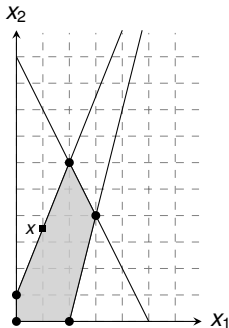
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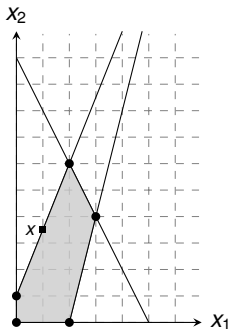
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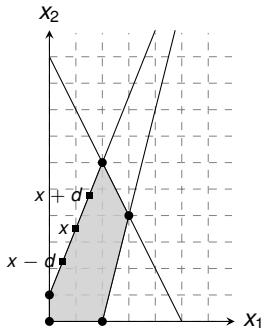
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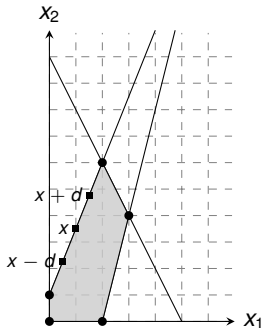
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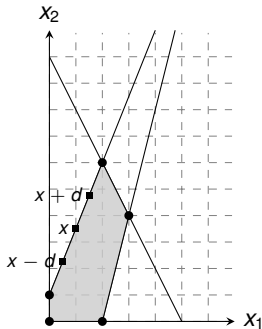
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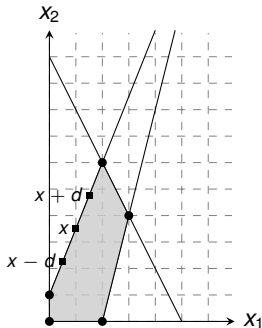
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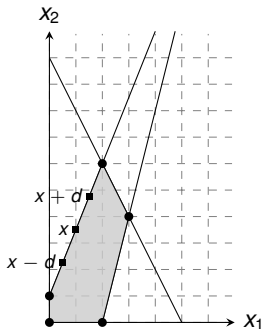
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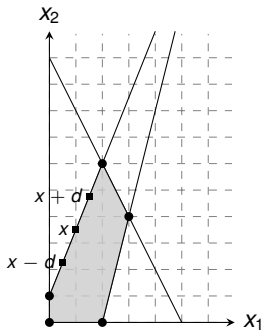
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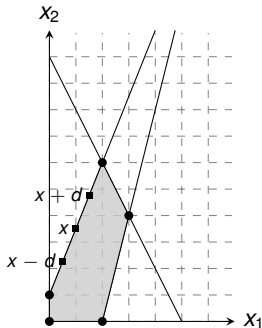
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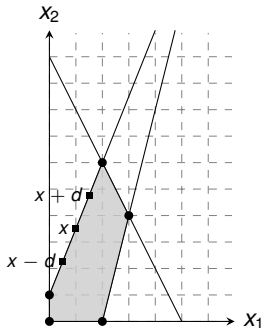
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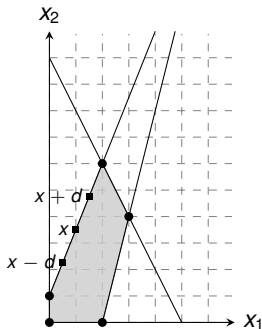
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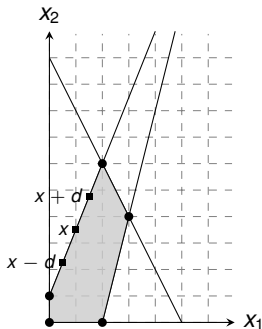
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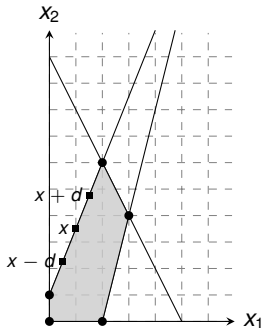
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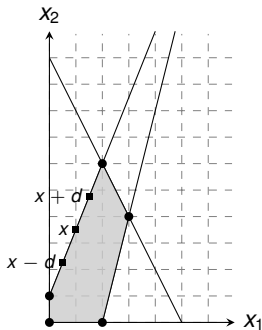
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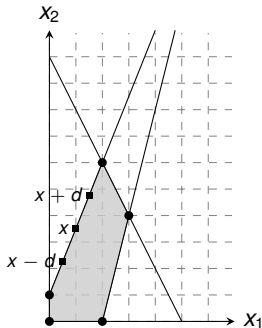
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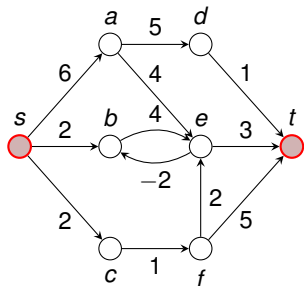
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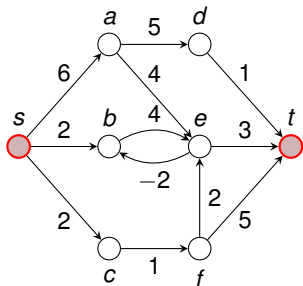
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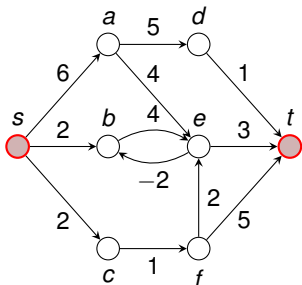


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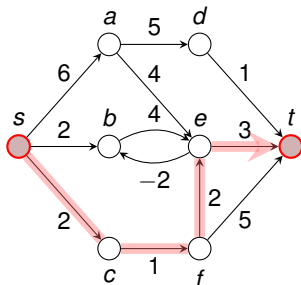


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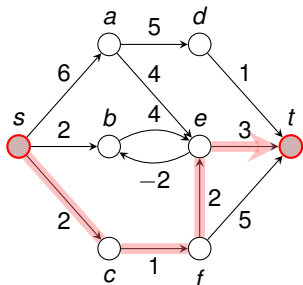


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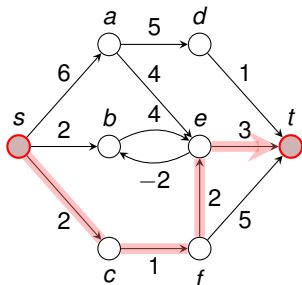


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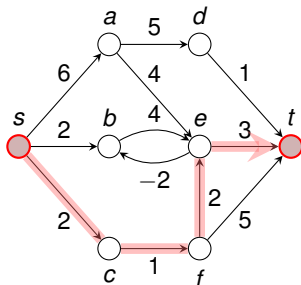


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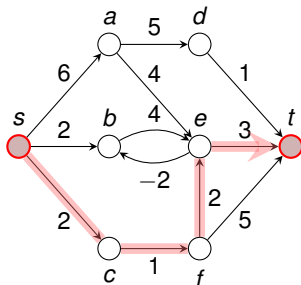


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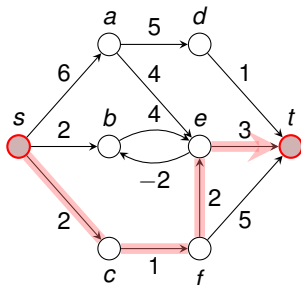


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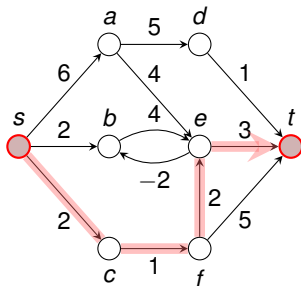


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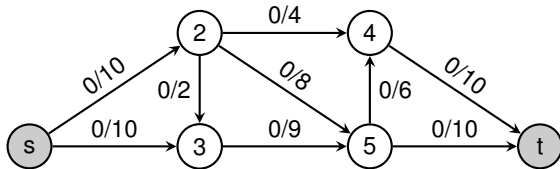
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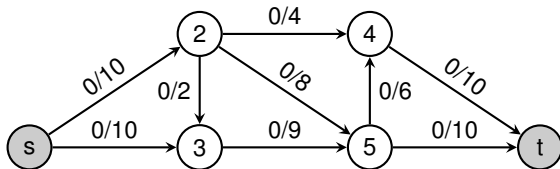
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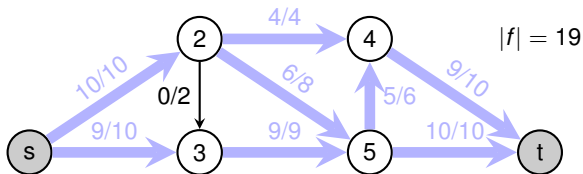
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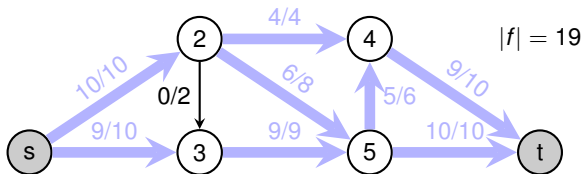
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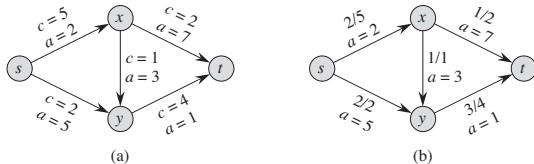


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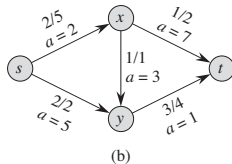
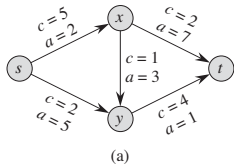


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$$x_6 = 36 - 4x_1 - x_2 - 2x_3$$

Basic solution: $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_6) = (0, 0, 0, 30, 24, 36)$

This basic solution is **feasible**

Objective value is 0.



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Increasing the value of x_1 would increase the objective value.

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- Substitute this into x_1 in the other three equations



Extended Example: Iteration 2

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 27 + \frac{x_2}{4} + \frac{x_3}{2} - \frac{3x_6}{4} \\x_1 &= 9 - \frac{x_2}{4} - \frac{x_3}{2} - \frac{x_6}{4} \\x_4 &= 21 - \frac{3x_2}{4} - \frac{5x_3}{2} + \frac{x_6}{4} \\x_5 &= 6 - \frac{3x_2}{2} - 4x_3 + \frac{x_6}{2}\end{aligned}$$



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Basic solution: $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_6) = (9, 0, 0, 21, 6, 0)$ with objective value 27



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Increasing the value of x_3 would increase the objective value.

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Extended Example: Iteration 3

$$\begin{aligned}z &= \frac{111}{4} + \frac{x_2}{16} - \frac{x_5}{8} - \frac{11x_6}{16} \\x_1 &= \frac{33}{4} - \frac{x_2}{16} + \frac{x_5}{8} - \frac{5x_6}{16} \\x_3 &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3x_2}{8} - \frac{x_5}{4} + \frac{x_6}{8} \\x_4 &= \frac{69}{4} + \frac{3x_2}{16} + \frac{5x_5}{8} - \frac{x_6}{16}\end{aligned}$$



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Basic solution: $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_6) = (\frac{33}{4}, 0, \frac{3}{2}, \frac{69}{4}, 0, 0)$ with objective value $\frac{111}{4} = 27.75$



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Increasing the value of x_2 would increase the objective value.

$$\begin{aligned}z &= \frac{111}{4} + \frac{x_2}{16} - \frac{x_5}{8} - \frac{11x_6}{16} \\x_1 &= \frac{33}{4} - \frac{x_2}{16} + \frac{x_5}{8} - \frac{5x_6}{16} \\x_3 &= \frac{3}{2} - \frac{3x_2}{8} - \frac{x_5}{4} + \frac{x_6}{8} \\x_4 &= \frac{69}{4} + \frac{3x_2}{16} + \frac{5x_5}{8} - \frac{x_6}{16}\end{aligned}$$

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- Substitute this into x_2 in the other three equations



Extended Example: Iteration 4

$$\begin{aligned}z &= 28 - \frac{x_3}{6} - \frac{x_5}{6} - \frac{2x_6}{3} \\x_1 &= 8 + \frac{x_3}{6} + \frac{x_5}{6} - \frac{x_6}{3} \\x_2 &= 4 - \frac{8x_3}{3} - \frac{2x_5}{3} + \frac{x_6}{3} \\x_4 &= 18 - \frac{x_3}{2} + \frac{x_5}{2}\end{aligned}$$



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Basic solution: $(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_6) = (8, 4, 0, 18, 0, 0)$ with objective value 28



Extended Example: Iteration 4

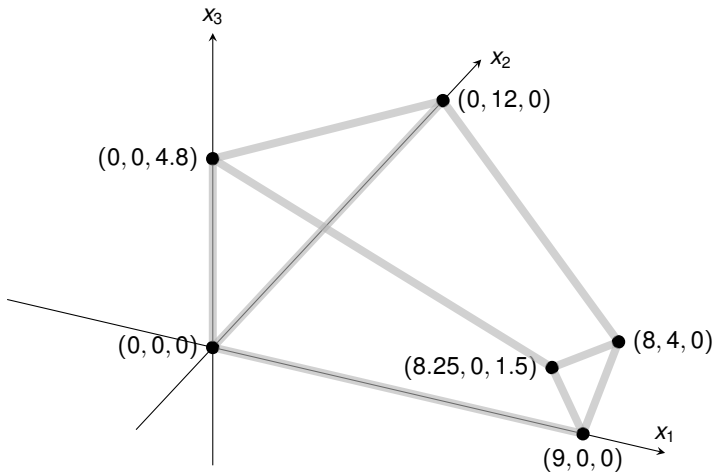
All coefficients are negative, and hence this basic solution is **optimal!**

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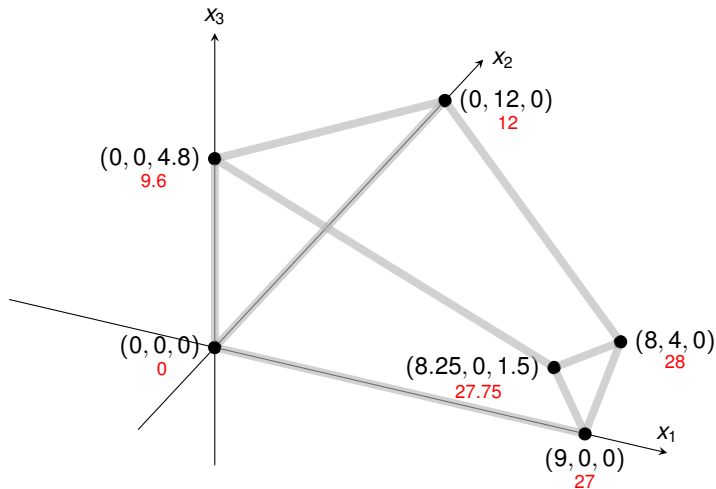
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Extended Example: Visualization of SIMPLEX



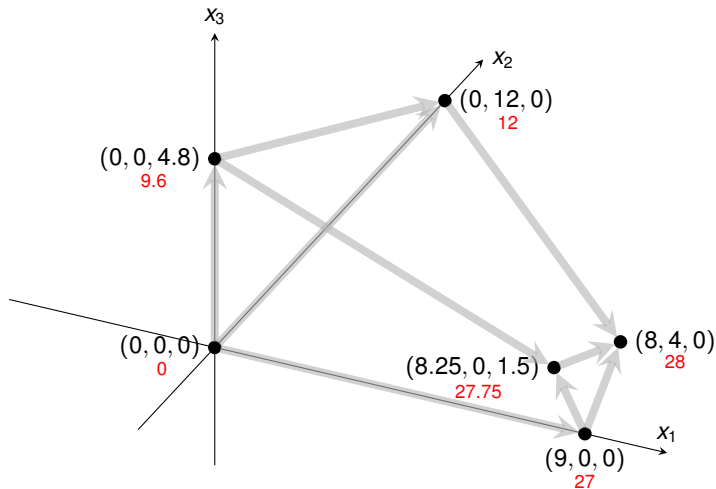
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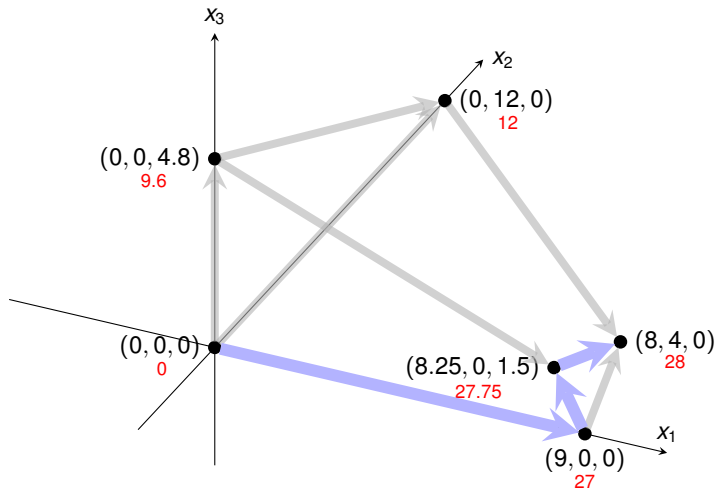
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Switch roles of x_2 and x_5

$$\begin{array}{rclclcl} z & = & 12 & + & 2x_1 & - & \frac{x_3}{2} & - & \frac{x_5}{2} \\ x_2 & = & 12 & - & x_1 & - & \frac{5x_3}{2} & - & \frac{x_5}{2} \\ x_4 & = & 18 & - & x_2 & - & \frac{x_3}{2} & + & \frac{x_5}{2} \\ x_6 & = & 24 & - & 3x_1 & + & \frac{x_3}{2} & + & \frac{x_5}{2} \end{array}$$



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Switch roles of x_1 and x_6

$$\begin{array}{rcllclcl} z & = & 28 & - & \frac{x_3}{6} & - & \frac{x_5}{6} & - & \frac{2x_6}{3} \\ x_1 & = & 8 & + & \frac{x_3}{6} & + & \frac{x_5}{6} & - & \frac{x_6}{3} \\ x_2 & = & 4 & - & \frac{8x_3}{3} & - & \frac{2x_5}{3} & + & \frac{x_6}{3} \\ x_4 & = & 18 & - & \frac{x_3}{2} & + & \frac{x_5}{2} & & \end{array}$$



Extended Example: Alternative Runs (2/2)

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc} z & = & & & 3x_1 & + & x_2 & + & 2x_3 \\ x_4 & = & 30 & - & x_1 & - & x_2 & - & 3x_3 \\ x_5 & = & 24 & - & 2x_1 & - & 2x_2 & - & 5x_3 \\ x_6 & = & 36 & - & 4x_1 & - & x_2 & - & 2x_3 \end{array}$$



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↓ Switch roles of x_3 and x_5

$$\begin{aligned}z &= & \frac{48}{5} & + & \frac{11x_1}{5} & + & \frac{x_2}{5} & - & \frac{2x_5}{5} \\x_4 &= & \frac{78}{5} & + & \frac{x_1}{5} & + & \frac{x_2}{5} & + & \frac{3x_5}{5} \\x_3 &= & \frac{24}{5} & - & \frac{2x_1}{5} & - & \frac{2x_2}{5} & - & \frac{x_5}{5} \\x_6 &= & \frac{132}{5} & - & \frac{16x_1}{5} & - & \frac{x_2}{5} & + & \frac{2x_3}{5}\end{aligned}$$



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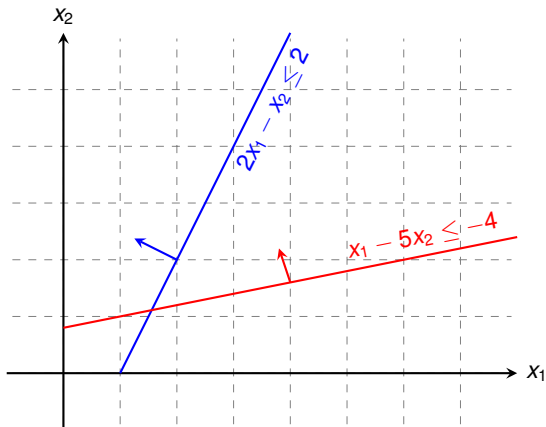
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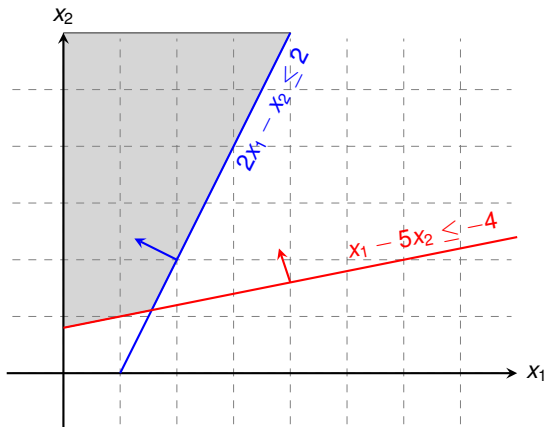
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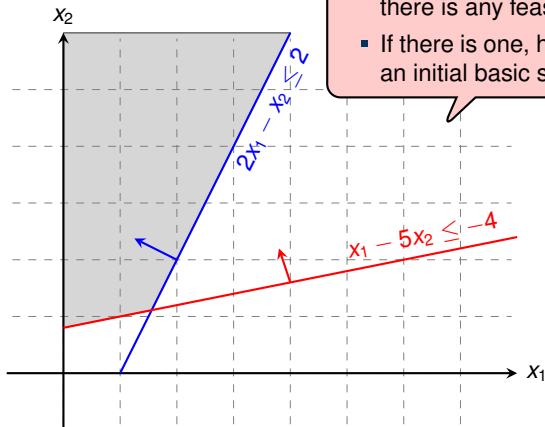
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Optimal solution has $x_0 = 0$, hence the initial problem was feasible!



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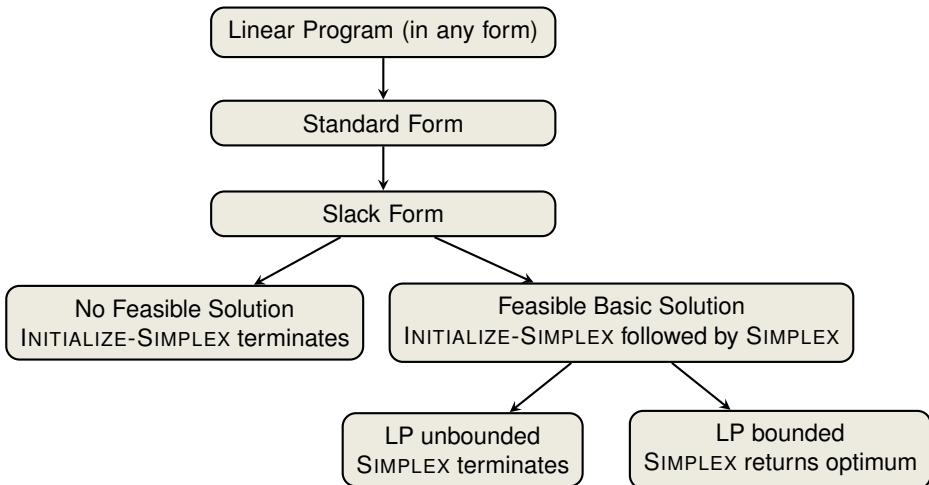
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Proof requires the concept of **duality**, which is not covered in this course (for details see CLRS3, Chapter 29.4)



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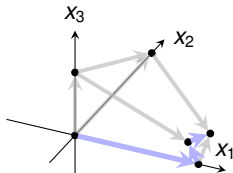
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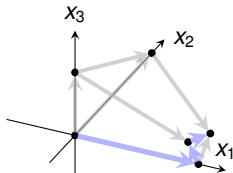
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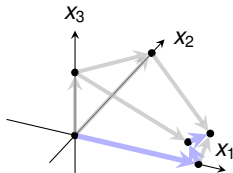
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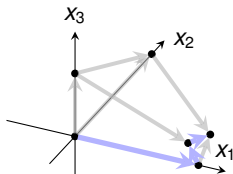
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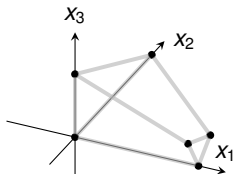
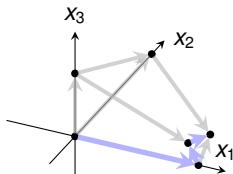
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