



Exercise Solve the problem below using Column Generation for linear programming

maximize 
$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3$$
  
subject to:  $2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \le 10$   
 $x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \le 4$   
 $0 \le x_1 \le 4, \ 0 \le x_2 \le 6, \ 1 \le x_3 \le 6$ 

Master Problem

maximize 
$$z = \sum_{j=1}^{p_R} (c^{\top} v_j) \lambda_j$$
 (1)

subject to: 
$$\sum_{j=1}^{p_R} (A_1 v_j) \lambda_j \le 10$$
(2)

$$\sum_{j=1}^{p_R} (A_2 v_j) \lambda_j \le 4 \tag{3}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{p_R} \lambda_j = 1 \tag{4}$$

Consider  $\mu_1$ ,  $\mu_2 \in \nu$  the dual variables related to the constraints 2, 3 and 4 respectively.  $p_R$  are the columns of the restricted master problem.

Auxiliary Problem

maximize 
$$cr = (2 - 2\mu_1 - \mu_2)x_1 + (4 - \mu_1 - \mu_2)x_2 + (1 - \mu_1 + \mu_2)x_3 - \nu$$
  
subject to:  $0 \le x_1 \le 4, \ 0 \le x_2 \le 6, \ 1 \le x_3 \le 6$ 

Let  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$ ,  $x_3 = 1$  be the initial solution. Master problem for column 1:

maximize 
$$z = 1\lambda_1$$
  
subject to:  $1\lambda_1 \le 10$   
 $-1\lambda_1 \le 4$   
 $\lambda_1 = 1$