

Tufts University
Department of Mathematics
Math 50 Homework 3

Due: Thursday, October 6, at 1:30 p.m. (in class).

1. For the following linear programs, first sketch the feasible region and, then, find the values of x and y where the objective function obtains its maximum value. What is the maximum function value?

(a) (20 points)

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Maximize } 3x + y \\ &\text{subject to } 2x + y \leq 6 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x + 3y \leq 9 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(b) (20 points)

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Maximize } 7x + 3y \\ &\text{subject to } 2x + y \leq 8 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x + y \geq 4 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

(c) (20 points)

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Maximize } 2x + 3y \\ &\text{subject to } x + y \geq 1 \\ &\quad \quad \quad y - x \leq 3 \\ &\quad \quad \quad 2x + y \leq 9 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x - y \leq 3 \\ &\quad \quad \quad x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

2. (10 points)

(a) Explain why a fair division between 2 people must also be envy-free.

(b) Find a fair division amongst 3 people that is not envy-free. Note that this asks you to give both a set of tastes of 3 people and a division.

3. (10 points) Show that an equal division (where $d_{ij} = 1/M$ for all i, j) need not be Pareto-optimal. Note that this asks you to give a set of tastes and an alternate division that yields higher values.

4. (20 points) Download the files `cake_division.m` and `fair_division.m` from the course web-page (http://neumann.math.tufts.edu/~scott/math87_F12). Modify `fair_division.m` to generate a random 3×3 taste matrix and check if the division is fair, equitable, and envy-free. Run the code 1000 times, and report how many times the division found is fair and equitable, but not envy-free. Repeat this for a division between 4 people, using a random 4×3 taste matrix.

Note that the following code generates a random 3×3 taste matrix.

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T = rand(3,3);  
for i=1:3,  
    T(i,:) = T(i,+)/sum(T(i,:));  
end;
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