

# MATH 567: Lecture 4 (01/21/2025)

Today: \* conjunctive normal form (CNF)  
\* model with 0-1 and continuous variables  
\* arbitrary disjunctions

## Modeling with 0-1 variables (continued...)

3.  $L_1 \Leftrightarrow (L_2 \wedge L_3)$

i.e.,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} L_1 \Rightarrow (L_2 \wedge L_3) \\ L_1 \Leftarrow (L_2 \wedge L_3) \end{array} \right\}$$

$x_1 \leq x_2, x_1 \leq x_3$  OR  $2x_1 \leq x_2 + x_3$

~~$x_1 \geq \frac{x_2 + x_3}{2}$~~  will force  $x_1 = 1$  when  $x_2 = 1, x_3 = 0!$

~~$x_1 \geq x_2 x_3$~~  nonlinear!

~~$2x_1 = x_2 + x_3$~~   $x_2 = x_3 = 0$  forces  $x_1 = 0!$

$x_1 \geq x_2 + x_3 - 1$

Q. Is there a general method to model any logical statement?

YES! As long as the statement is in a "nice" form.  
And every statement has such a "nice" form!

Def A **literal** is an elementary statement, e.g.,  $L_i, \neg L_j$ .

A **clause** is a set of literals connected with "OR" ( $\vee$ )  
e.g.,  $L_1 \vee L_3, \neg L_2 \vee L_4 \vee \neg L_5$ .

Def A logical statement is in **conjunctive normal form** (CNF) if it is a set of clauses connected by ANDs ( $\wedge$ ).

e.g.,  $(L_1 \vee L_3) \wedge (\neg L_2 \vee L_3 \vee \neg L_5) \wedge (\neg L_3 \vee L_7)$   
is in CNF.

If a statement is in CNF, it is easy to write down its representative model using inequalities.

$$\text{e.g., } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_3 \geq 1 \\ (1-x_2) + x_3 + (1-x_5) \geq 1 \\ (1-x_3) + x_7 \geq 1 \end{array} \right\} \text{ is a model for the statement in CNF above.}$$

**Claim** Every (finite) statement involving  $\vee, \wedge, \neg, \Rightarrow, \Leftrightarrow$  has a CNF. The CNF may not be unique.

Some Rules for doing transformations

$$\textcircled{1} L_1 \wedge (L_2 \vee L_3) \equiv (L_1 \wedge L_2) \vee (L_1 \wedge L_3)$$

$$\textcircled{2} L_1 \vee (L_2 \wedge L_3) \equiv (L_1 \vee L_2) \wedge (L_1 \vee L_3)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \neg(L_1 \wedge L_2) \equiv \neg L_1 \vee \neg L_2$$

$$\textcircled{4} \neg(L_1 \vee L_2) \equiv \neg L_1 \wedge \neg L_2$$

$$\textcircled{5} L_1 \Rightarrow L_2 \stackrel{\text{def}}{\equiv} \neg L_1 \vee L_2$$

We could replace literals with clauses, or more general statements in the above rules, and they still hold, e.g.,  $C_1 \Rightarrow C_2 \equiv \neg C_1 \vee C_2$ .

↖ ↗  
clauses

## Examples

$$\begin{aligned}
 1. (L_2 \wedge \dots \wedge L_n) \Rightarrow L_1 &\equiv \neg(L_2 \wedge \dots \wedge L_n) \vee L_1 \\
 &\equiv (\neg L_2 \vee \neg L_3 \vee \dots \vee \neg L_n) \vee L_1 \\
 &\equiv \neg L_2 \vee \neg L_3 \vee \dots \vee \neg L_n \vee L_1
 \end{aligned}$$

which is in CNF.

$$\text{model: } (1-x_2) + (1-x_3) + \dots + (1-x_n) + x_1 \geq 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 2. (L_1 \wedge L_2) \vee (L_3 \wedge (L_4 \vee L_5)) \\
 &\equiv ((L_1 \wedge L_2) \vee L_3) \wedge ((L_1 \wedge L_2) \vee (L_4 \vee L_5)) \\
 &\equiv (L_1 \vee L_3) \wedge (L_2 \vee L_3) \wedge [(L_1 \vee (L_4 \vee L_5)) \wedge (L_2 \vee (L_4 \vee L_5))] \\
 &\equiv (L_1 \vee L_3) \wedge (L_2 \vee L_3) \wedge (L_1 \vee L_4 \vee L_5) \wedge (L_2 \vee L_4 \vee L_5)
 \end{aligned}$$

which is in CNF.

$$\text{model: } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_3 \geq 1 \\ x_2 + x_3 \geq 1 \\ x_1 + x_4 + x_5 \geq 1 \\ x_2 + x_4 + x_5 \geq 1 \end{array} \right.$$

## 2. Modeling with 0-1 and continuous variables

Let  $y \in \{0,1\}$ ,  $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Statement :  $y=1 \implies A\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}$

Assume  $\exists \bar{u} \geq 0$  :  $A\bar{x} \leq \bar{b} + \bar{u}$  is always true.

Then  $A\bar{x} \leq \bar{b} + \bar{u}(1-y)$  is the model.

## 3. Modeling arbitrary disjunctions

$\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$(A_1\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^1) \vee (A_2\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^2) \vee \dots \vee (A_k\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^k) \text{ --- } \textcircled{*}$$

Assume  $\{\bar{x} \mid A_i\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^i\} \neq \emptyset$ . → if one system is  $\emptyset$ , then we could remove it from  $\textcircled{*}$

In words,  $\textcircled{*}$  says " $\bar{x}$  satisfies one of the  $k$  systems."

Note that some of the statements using literals  $L_i$  would fit this framework. At the same time, this is a much more general statement. We'll consider two approaches to model this statement. The first one looks quite similar to the previous case of  $y=1 \implies A\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}$ .

# big-M representation

**Assumption 1**  $\exists \bar{u}^i \geq 0$  such that  $\forall \bar{x}$  that satisfy  $A_j \bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^j$  for some  $j$ ,  $A_i \bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^i + \bar{u}^i$  holds  $\forall i$ .

Let  $y_i \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .  $\rightarrow$  models whether the  $i$ th disjunction holds

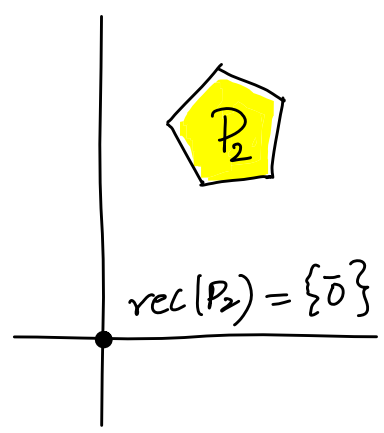
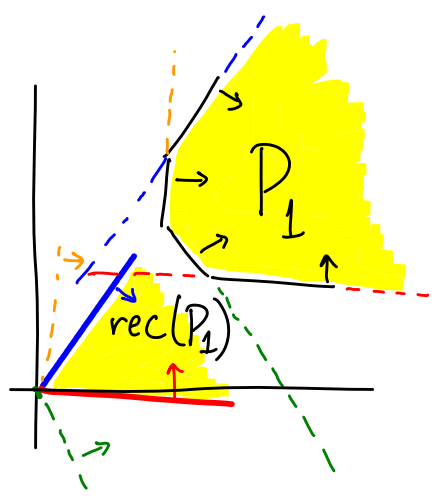
$$\begin{aligned}
 &A_i \bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^i + \bar{u}^i (1 - y_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, k \\
 &y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_k \geq 1 \\
 &y_i \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, k.
 \end{aligned}$$

————— (x - big-M)

# Sharp formulation

**Assumption 2**  $\exists C$  such that  $C = \{\bar{x} \mid A_i \bar{x} \leq \bar{0}\}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$  is independent of  $i$ .

**Def** The recession cone of polyhedron  $P = \{\bar{x} \mid A\bar{x} \leq \bar{b}\}$  is  $rec(P) = \{\bar{x} \mid A\bar{x} \leq \bar{0}\}$ .



If  $P$  is a polytope, i.e., a closed polyhedron, then  $rec(P) = \{0\}$ , the origin.

$$A_1 \bar{x}^1 \leq \bar{b}^1 y_1$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A_k \bar{x}^k \leq \bar{b}^k y_k$$

$$\bar{x}^1 + \bar{x}^2 + \dots + \bar{x}^k = \bar{x}$$

$$y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_k = 1$$

$$y_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

(~~\*~~-sharp)

sharp, as exactly one (out of  $k$ ) options is forced to hold

We now prove the correctness of (~~\*~~-sharp).

**Theorem 1**  $\bar{x}$  satisfies  $(*) \iff \exists (\bar{x}^1, \dots, \bar{x}^k, y_1, \dots, y_k)$  such that  $(\bar{x}, \bar{x}^1, \dots, \bar{x}^k, y_1, \dots, y_k)$  satisfies (~~\*~~-sharp).

**Proof** ( $\Rightarrow$ )  $\bar{x}$  satisfies  $(*)$ .

WLOG, let  $A_1 \bar{x} \leq \bar{b}^1$ . We can choose

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} y_1 = 1, y_2 = \dots = y_k = 0 \\ \bar{x}^1 = \bar{x}, \bar{x}^2 = \dots = \bar{x}^k = 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{satisfies } (\text{~~*~~-sharp}).$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ): in the next lecture...