

Let e be the root node.

$$y_e = 0.$$

$$y_d - y_e = 13 \Rightarrow y_d = 13$$

$$y_e - y_c = 3 \Rightarrow y_c = -3$$

$$y_e - y_b = 7 \Rightarrow y_b = -7.$$

$$y_b - y_a = -4 \Rightarrow y_a = -3.$$

so the dual slacks are

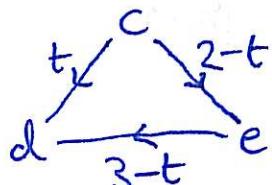
$$z_{ac} = -3 + 8 - (-3) = 8$$

$$z_{bc} = -7 + 6 - (-3) = 2$$

$$z_{cd} = -3 + 6 - 13 = -10$$

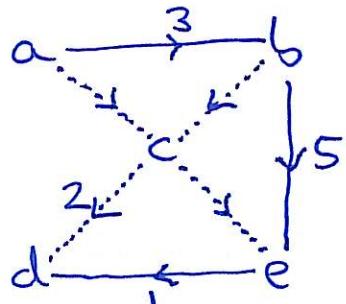
$$z_{da} = 13 + 1 - (-3) = 17.$$

z_{cd} is infeasible so the current basis is not optimal.
Let (c, d) enter the basis. This forms the cycle



so $t=2$ and (c, e) leaves the basis.

The new basis is



with those arcs whose dual slacks require updating indicated.

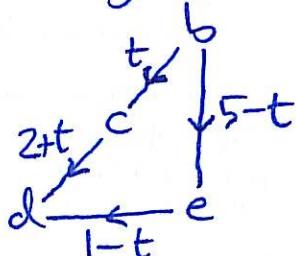
$$\tilde{z}_{ac} = 8 + (-10) = -2$$

$$\tilde{z}_{bc} = 2 + (-10) = -8$$

$$\tilde{z}_{ce} = 0 - (-10) = 10$$

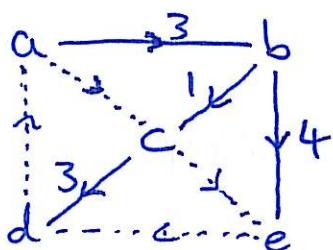
For the next iteration, choose arc (b,c) to enter the basis.

This forms the cycle



so $t=1$ and arc (e,d) leaves the basis.

The new solution is



The new dual slacks are

$$\tilde{z}_{ac} = -2 - (-8) = 6$$

$$\tilde{z}_{ce} = 10 + (-8) = 2$$

$$\tilde{z}_{da} = 17 + (-8) = 9$$

$$\tilde{z}_{ed} = 0 - (-8) = 8$$

So the current solution is dual and primal feasible, and hence optimal.

The optimal value is

$$3 \cdot (-4) + 1 \cdot 6 + 4 \cdot 7 + 3 \cdot 6 = 40.$$

2. (a) F. There are only finitely many basic solutions, but as long as there are 2 optimal solutions there are infinitely many because any point on the edge connecting these two solutions will also be optimal.
- (b) F. For example, maximise $-x_1$,
subject to $x_1 \leq 0$.
- (c) F. The example on p.114 shows that if c_1 is reduced by more than $1/2$ the solution becomes nonoptimal.
- (d) F. We need the y_i 's at the outset in order to compute the dual slack variables. Thereafter we do not need them.
- (e) F. We may include a new demand node to represent the surplus, with an arc running to it from each supply node with unit cost of 0 to represent leaving alone any material which flows along that arc in the solution.