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Week 5b

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  - DeepMaize **doesn't** use them because not directly applicable to integer LP.

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- Thanks for comments - especially on TAC travel!

# Class Discussion

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- Kunal on MinneTAC

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# The SCM base code

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- Based on TacTex (slides)
- David with a brief introduction

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