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Simplex Method
Procedure

Step 1: write the given LPP in standard form

Step 2: write initial basic feasible solution.

Step 3: Make initial simplex Table.

Step 4: Are all entries in Z-row non-negative?

① If yes then the current solution is optimal basic feasible solution.

② If no then select the most negative entry (smallest entry) in Z-row.

The corresponding column is called key column (pivot column). and corresponding variable enters in the basis (set of all basic variables).

Step 5: obtain the replacement ratio by dividing solution column by key column.

Step 6: Are all ratios infinite and/or negative?

① If yes then the LPP has unbounded solution

② If no then select the minimum finite

Non-negative ratios. The corresponding row (If ratio has 0 is called key row and the corresponding then take that ratio whose denominator variable leaves the basis. (If there is a tie then consider arbitrary min non-zeroed number is true in pivot column)).

Step 7: Mark the key element (pivot element) as intersection of key row and key column.

Step 8: Make the new simplex table (or update) by elementary row transformation as

① first make key element 1 by dividing the key row by key element

② make all other elements of key column 0 (zero) by subtracting or adding proper multiples of new row to the old row.

Step 9: Go to Step 4. and continue till you reach step 4 ① or step 6 ①.

Flow chart

