

MATRIX ROUTINE APPLICATION PROGRAM: SIMPLEX PROBLEM

The LP program solves the linear maximisation and minimisation problems with a slightly modified Simplex method. Slack variables are not explicitly used, to save memory space. The Simplex maximisation problem can be described as follows:

A number of positive variables are submitted to a number of constraints of the form:

$$g_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \leq b_i \text{ for } i=1, 2, \dots, m$$

where the g_i are linear functions.

The problem stated is to find a set of solutions (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) for the constraints g_i so as to maximize a given linear function $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$.

A sample problem: $x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 300$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 160$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 170$$

$$\text{maximize } f(x_1, x_2) = 20x_1 + 30x_2$$

The problem can be represented in matrix form as:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & | & 300 \\ 1 & 1 & | & 160 \\ 2 & 1 & | & 170 \\ \hline 20 & 30 & | & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Thus, a simplex problem with m constraints and n variables can be mapped on an $(m+1) \times (n+1)$ matrix.

The LP routine published here requires such an input matrix. The bottom row stands for the function to maximize.

REMARK: If $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ contains a constant it must be entered as the bottom right element of the input matrix but with opposite sign!

e.g. if $f(x_1, x_2) = 20x_1 + 30x_2 + 100$, the bottom row of the input matrix becomes: $[20 \ 30 \ | \ -100]$

LPI and LPO are initialisation routines for the general input-output routine for dimensioned arrays I have written. You can always use your own favorite input scheme instead.

Take care to initialize the following data before a run of LP:

R07: starting address of the matrix

R08: number of columns=number of variables +1

R09: number of rows=number of constraints +1

Flag 2: clear for maximisation, set for minimisation.

Size requirements: To keep track of the basic and slack variables involved in the algorithm ,an extra row of data is used.The starting address of the input matrix must be 16 or higher.

Back to the sample problem.A run of LP on the input matrix yields the following matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.2 & 0.4 & 0 \\ -0.4 & -0.2 & 32 \\ 0.6 & -0.2 & 0 \\ 42 & 86 & 3420 \end{bmatrix}$$

The upper 3 rows are hardly of any further interest to the user.The bottom row stands for the solution as follows:
 $x_1=42$ and $x_2=86$ give a maximum of 3420 for the function $f(x_1, x_2)$.This can be verified by substituting this solution into the constraints g_i .

For the minimisation problem, the constraints are of the form $g_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \geq b_i$.The objective function f must be minimised.As described above, the problem can again be mapped on a matrix.

The LP routine essentially solves the maximisation problem. To solve the minimisation problem,it is transformed into the former one.This is achieved by first transposing the input matrix,a few changes in the slack variable takeover routine, and finally transposing the matrix again.This is,of course, not the fastest way to solve the minimisation problem,but it saves a lot of extra slack variable registers which are needed when using other methods.Flag 2 is used to select either the first or the second of both problem types.

The routine which transposes the matrix in the 2nd case has been written as a stand alone routine.Here all credits go to JOHN KENNEDY (PPC 918),who wrote an excellent TP program. The version published here only differs from his original version in that it uses the function REGMOVE instead of the PPC ROM "BM".The TP routine transposes any matrix specified by R07,R08 and R09,like the matrix routines.The contents of R08 and R09 are exchanged by TP,of course.

Technical details:

Data registers:

R07: starting address of matrix
R08: number of columns=number of variables +1
R09: number of rows=number of constraints +1
R10: ISG constant for row selection
R11: ISG pointer to constraint constants
R12: ISG pointer to objective function coefficients.
R13: save pivot address
R14: ISG constant to extra row.
alpha registers M,N and O are used for scratch and loop control.

PPC ROM ROUTINES USED:

"BC", "BX", "M2", "M3", "M4", "M5"

flag 2: used

display mode: not used

angular mode: not used

A good sample problem for those intending to analyze the system is the following:

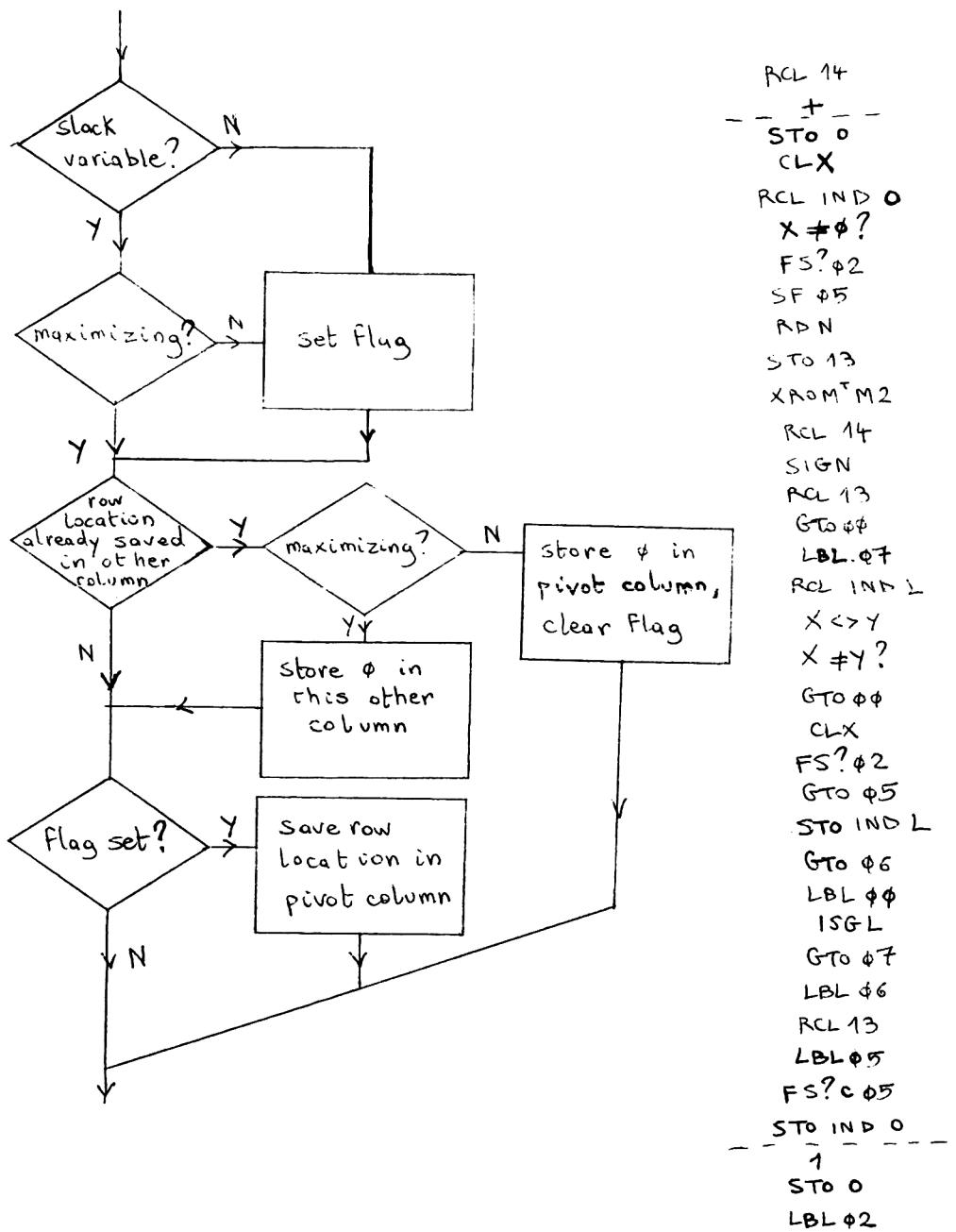
$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 &\leq 2 \\2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &\leq 3 \\x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 &\leq 4 \\ \text{Maximize } 18x_1 + 24x_2 + 16x_3\end{aligned}$$

The solution is $x_1 = 8/7$ $x_2 = 0$ $x_3 = 5/7$ maximum=32

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Perhaps the method used needs some more explanation. It can be understood by observing the following: at the start of the solution method, all slack variable coefficients are either set to 1 or 0. When the matrix column pertaining to a slack variable is changed for the first time, the column pertaining to one of the main variables becomes a unity base vector (such as $\langle 0,0,1,0 \rangle$). Such columns are not explicitly needed. They simply indicate that the main variable related to it "has been taken over" by a slack variable. By keeping track of this takeover process in an extra matrix row, the unit vectors are no longer explicitly necessary in the system matrix. Especially for larger systems, the number of storage locations needed can be reduced using the above method, which is certainly interesting when implementing the Simplex method on small systems like the HP-41C*.

slack variable take over In LP.RPN S/R @ LINE 129.



Sample procedure

1	(2)	1	1	0	0	(2)
2	3	1	0	1	0	3
1	1	4	0	0	1	4
			↑	slack variables		
18.	(24)	16	0	0	0	0

Find smallest a_{in} / a_{i2} with $a_{in} > 0$ & $a_{i2} > 0$

Largest objective function coeff.

1/2	1	1/2	1/2	0	0	1
1/2	0	-1/2	-3/2	1	0	0
1/2	0	7/2	-1/2	0	1	3
6	0	4	-12	0	0	-24
	↑	Find	smallest	a_{in} / a_{i2} ...		
	x_2					

$$r_1 / a_{12}$$

$$r_2 - a_{22} \cdot r_1$$

$$r_3 - a_{32} \cdot r_1$$

$$r_4 - a_{42} \cdot r_1$$

0	1	1	2	-1	0	1
1	0	-1	3	2	0	0
1	0	4	1	-1	1	3
0	0	10	6	-12	0	-24
	↑	x_1				

$$r_2 / a_{21}$$

$$r_1 - a_{11} \cdot r_2$$

$$r_3 - a_{31} \cdot r_2$$

$$r_4 - a_{41} \cdot r_2$$

0	1	0	7/4	-3/4	-1/4	1/4
1	0	0	-11/4	7/4	1/4	3/4
0	0	1	1/4	-1/4	1/4	3/4
0	0	0	7/2	-19/2	-10/4	-63/2
	↑	x_3				

$$x_2 = 1/4$$

$$x_1 = 3/4$$

is not solution
indicated by positive objective
function coeff. left

0	4/7	0	1	-3/7	-1/7	1/7
1	-11/7	0	0	4/7	-1/7	8/7
0	-1/7	1	0	-11/7	2/7	5/7
0	-2	0	0	-8	-2	-32
	↑	x_1				

$$x_1 = 8/7$$

$$x_3 = 5/7$$

$$\Rightarrow \max x = 32$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

01+LBL "LP0"
 02 CF 10
 03 RCL 09
 04 E3
 05 /
 06 RCL 09
 07 +
 08 GTO 00
 09+LBL "LPI"
 10 "C>Y+B?"
 11 PROMPT
 12 SF 10
 13 STO 07
 14 RDN
 15 1
 16 +
 17 STO 08
 18 X>Y
 19 1
 20 +
 21 STO 09
 22+LBL 00
 23 STO 01 ✓AS09
 24 2
 25 STO 00 ✓P02
 26 RCL 08
 27 STO 02 ✓AS08
 28 RCL 07
 29 "a"
 30 CF 01
 31 CF 04
 32 FS?C 10 FOR LPW
 33 GTO "IN" L S/R
 34 GTO "OUT"
 35+LBL "LP"
 36 CF 10
 37 FS? 02
 38 XEQ "TP" T
 39 RCL 07
 40 DSE X
 41 RCL 08
 42 RCL 09
 43 1
 44 -
 45 *
 46 +
 47 RCL X
 48 E3
 49 /
 50 ST+ Z
 51 +
 52 RCL 08
 53 1
 54 -
 55 E-3
 56 *
 57 ST+ Y
 58 X>Y
 59 STO 12
 60 LASTX
 61 +
 62 +
 63 RCL 08
 64 +
 65 STO 14
 66 1
 67 +
 68 XROM "BC" Z
 69 X>Y
 70 RCL 08
 71 E5
 72 /
 73 +
 74 STO 10
 75 RCL 08
 76 +
 77 STO 11
 78 ISG 12
 79+LBL 15
 80 RCL 12
 81 XROM "BX" X
 82 X>Y
 83 X<=0?
 84 GTO 03
 85 RCL [00→16
 86 INT
 87 XROM "M4" 4
 88 RCL 10
 89 +
 90 STO [00→16
 91 RCL 08
 92 E3
 93 /
 94 +
 95 STO \ 01→17
 96 RCL 11
 97 STO] 02→18
 98 CLX

SIM LINE 01
 35+LBL "LP"
 36 CF 10
 37 FS? 02
 38 XEQ "TP" T
 39 RCL 07
 40 DSE X
 41 RCL 08
 42 RCL 09
 43 1
 44 -
 45 *
 46 +
 47 RCL X
 48 E3
 49 /
 50 ST+ Z
 51 +
 52 RCL 08
 53 1
 54 -
 55 E-3
 56 *
 57 ST+ Y
 58 X>Y
 59 STO 12
 60 LASTX
 61 +
 62 +
 63 RCL 08
 64 +
 65 STO 14
 66 1
 67 +
 68 XROM "BC" Z
 69 X>Y
 70 RCL 08
 71 E5
 72 /
 73 +
 74 STO 10
 75 RCL 08
 76 +
 77 STO 11
 78 ISG 12
 79+LBL 15
 80 RCL 12
 81 XROM "BX" X
 82 X>Y
 83 X<=0?
 84 GTO 03
 85 RCL [00→16
 86 INT
 87 XROM "M4" 4
 88 RCL 10
 89 +
 90 STO [00→16
 91 RCL 08
 92 E3
 93 /
 94 +
 95 STO \ 01→17
 96 RCL 11
 97 STO] 02→18
 98 CLX

SIM LINE 125
 99+LBL 01
 100 RCL IND [00→16
 101 X=0?
 102 GTO 00
 103 RCL IND] 02→18
 104 X#0?
 105 GTO 05
 106 STO] 02→18
 107 GTO 06
 .
 108+LBL 05
 109 /
 110 X>Y?
 111 GTO 00
 112+LBL 06
 113 RCL [00→16
 114 STO 13
 115+LBL 08
 116 X>Y
 117 ISG [00→16
 118 **
 119 ISG] 02→18
 120 GTO 01
 121 1
 122 X> IND 13
 123 1/X
 124 RCL 13
 125 INT
 126 XROM "M4" 4
 127 RCL 14
 128 +
 129 STO] 02→18
 130 CLX SEE FLOWCHART
 131 RCL IND] 02→18
 132 X#0?
 133 FS? 02
 134 SF 05
 135 RDN
 136 STO 13
 137 XROM "M2" 2
 138 RCL 14
 139 SIGN
 140 RCL 13
 141 GTO 08
 142+LBL 07
 143 RCL IND L
 144 X>Y
 145 X#Y?
 146 GTO 08
 147 CLX
 148 FS? 02
 149 GTO 05
 150 STO IND L
 151 GTO 06
 152+LBL 08
 153 ISG L
 154 GTO 07
 155+LBL 06
 156 RCL 13

SIM LINE 215
 157+LBL 05
 158 FS?C 05
 159 STO IND] 02→18
 160 1
 161 STO] 02→15
 162+LBL 02
 163 RCL] 02→18
 164 RCL 13
 165 X=Y?
 166 GTO 00
 167 0
 168 X> IND] 01→17
 169 CHS
 170 X#0?
 171 XROM "M3" 3
 172+LBL 08
 173 ISG] 02→18
 174 **
 175 ISG] 01→17
 176 GTO 02
 177 GTO 15
 178+LBL 03
 179 -1
 180 RCL 09
 181 XROM "M2" 2
 182 FC? 02
 183 RCL 12
 184 FS? 02
 185 RCL 11
 186 XROM "BC" Z
 187 RCL 14
 188 1
 189 +
 190 STO 13
 191 DSE 12
 192+LBL 04
 193 RCL IND 13
 194 X=0?
 195 GTO 00
 196 RCL 08
 197 XROM "M5" 5
 198 RCL 13
 199 RCL 14
 200 -
 201 RCL 12
 202 +
 203 RCL IND Y
 204 X> IND Y
 205 STO IND Z
 206+LBL 08
 207 ISG 13
 208 GTO 04
 209 FS? 02
 210 XEQ "TP" T
 211 END
 329b=47R+8b

01+LBL "TP"
 02 RCL 07 STARTADR 17 57 RCL 05
 03 ENTER↑ 58 RCL 06
 04 STO 01 ←03 17 59 E3
 05 STO 02 ←07 17 60 /
 06 STO 04 ←07 17 61 +
 07 RCL 09 + Rowst1 5 62 RCL 03
 08 ST+ 04 ASINT 22 63 E6
 09 + 22 64 /
 10 E3 FOR ISG. 022 65 +
 11 / 66 REGMOVE
 12 + 17.022 67 DSE 05
 13 RCL 08 Columnst1 5 68 RCL 03
 14 ST- 04 17 69 ST- 05
 15 ST- 04 17 70 ST- 06
 16 STO 03 Col+ 5 71 DSE 00
 17 RCL 09 Rowst1 5 72 GTO 04
 18 * 25 73 2
 19 ST+ 04 37 74 ST+ 04
 20 E6 .000 25 75 GTO 01
 21 / 76 END
 22 + 17.022 025 108b=15R+3b
 23 REGMOVE
 24 ISG 04 38

✕ 25+LBL 01 Skips By Force.
 26 RCL 09 Rowst1 5
 27 STO 00 5
 28 ST+ 02 22
 29 RCL 02 22
 30 RCL 03 Col+ 5

31+LBL 02 R:07 STARTADR
 32 RCL IND Y R:08 Columnst1
 33 STO IND 01 R:09 Rowst1
 34 RDN R:10 ISG for Row
 35 ISG 01 R:11 ISG Pointer for
 36 ** CONST CONST.
 37 + R:12 ISG Pointer for
 38 LASTX Obvious Func Coefficients
 39 DSE 00 R:13 Save Pivot ADR.
 40 GTO 02 R:14 ISG Constant for
 41 DSE 03 EXPR Row.

SYNTHETICS

P.J. Roussel's Version
 OF 'SIM' CALLED
 'LP' FOR LINEAR PROGRAMMING.

Non-Syntho' (RPN) version of 'LP', renamed 'SIM'

01*LBL "SIM"	138*LBL 06	ST/M0? Nops.
CLX "MIN=1" PROMPT	RCL 00 STO 13	E000EFF
X#0? SF 02 FS? 02		E032>E087 26
XROM "T" RCL 07 DSE X	141*LBL 00	E090>E09F 16
RCL 08 RCL 09 1 - *	X<Y ISG 00 CLD	E0D8>E0DF 3
+ RCL X 1 E3 / ST+ Z	ISG 02 GTO 01 1	E153>E18F 61
+ RCL 08 1 - 1 E-3	X< IND 13 1/X RCL 13	E1A3>E1A7 5
* ST+ Y X<Y STO 12	INT RCL 07 - RCL 08	E1E7>E1EB 5
LASTX + + RCL 08 +	X<Y STO 02 X<Y MOD	E211>E217 7
STO 14 1 + SIGN CLX	ST- 02 LASTX ST/ 02	E24E>E25F 18
	CLX X< 02 X<Y ISG Y	E313>E32F 29
40*LBL 13	- - ISG X - - RCL 14	E445>E44F 11
STO IND L ISG L GTO 13	+ STO 02 CLX	E55F>E56F 17
X<Y RCL 08 1 E5 / +	RCL IND 02 X#0? FS? 02	E5ED>E5EF 3
STO 10 RCL 08 +	SF 05 RDN STO 13	E668>E66F 8
STO 11 ISG 12	RCL 08 * RCL 07 +	E6A3>E6AF 13
	RCL X RCL 08 ST- Z	E764>E76F 12
54*LBL 15	SIGN - 1 E3 / +	E783>E78F 13
RCL 12 STO 00 STO 01	X<Y	E945>EFFA 1718
STO 02 RCL IND X	192*LBL 12	16
ENTER↑ ENTER↑ RDN	ST* IND Y ISG Y GTO 12	XR>16/24
	RCL 14 SIGN RCL 13	E002/00/E00F SIMPLEX
	GTO 00	E004/01/E0A2 'M4
63*LBL 08	08*LBL "3"	E005/02/E0C0 'M5
CLX RCL IND Z X<Y?	09 STO 00	E009/03/E262 'M1
GTO 10 RT X<Y? GTO 11	10 RDN	E00A/04/E299 'NO Syntho'
RDN	11 XEQ 00	E00C/05/E2F9 'VW Section'
	12 X<Y	E00E/06/E332 'LP Originals'
72*LBL 09	13 XEQ 00	E010/07/E192 'BC'
ISG Z GTO 08 X<Y RT	14 RCL 00	E012/08/E1AA 'BX'
GTO 14	15 SIGN	E014/09/E1EE 'M2
78*LBL 10	16 RDN	E016/10/E21A 'M3
X<Y CLX RCL Z STO 09	17 RCL IND Y	E018/11/E0E2 'TRNS
GTO 09	18 LASTX	E01A/12/E452 'SIMPLEX'
84*LBL 11	19 *	E01C/13/E772 'Z BC'
CLX RCL T STO 01 X<Y	20 ST+ IND Y	E01E/14/E57A 'TRANS'
RDN GTO 09	21 ISG Y	E020/15/E5F2 '2 M2
	22 -	E022/16/E6B2 '3 M3
91*LBL 14	23 ISG Z	E024/17/E633 '4 M4
X<Y X#0? GTO 03	24 GTO 02	E026/18/E651 '5 M5
RCL 08 INT RCL 07 -	25 RTN	E028/19/E672 'X BX'
RCL 08 X<Y STO 02	26 RCL 00	E02A/20/E6B2 'SI INPUT'
X<Y MOD ST- 02 LASTX	27 *	E02C/21/E6E9 'SO OUTPUT'
ST/ 02 CLX X<Y 02	28 RCL 07	E02E/22/E74A 'Y ViewXY'
X<Y ISG Y - - ISG X	29 +	E030/23/E792 'SIMPLEX'.
- - RCL 10 + STO 00	30 RCL X	<u>Sim.Ran ↑</u>
RCL 08 1 E3 / +	31 RCL 03	No SYNTHETICS,
STO 01 RCL 11 STO 02	32 ST- Z	STRAIGHT LINE
CLX	33 SIGN	VERSION, EXCEPT FOR
125*LBL 01	34 -	'T' & '3'
RCL IND 00 X#0?	35 1 E3	
GTO 00 RCL IND 02 X#0?	36 /	
GTO 05 STO 02 GTO 06	37 +	
	38 RTN	
134*LBL 05	39*LBL "4"	
/ X<Y? GTO 06	252*LBL 16	XROM 'T' HAS 77 LINES
	ST* IND Y ISG Y GTO 16	+ 2 CALLS TO X-FUNCTIONS
	FC? 02 RCL 12 FS? 02	'REGMOVE' (XROM 25, 35)
	RCL 11 SIGN CLX	

NO LABELS.
SEEN '3' GTO "3"
 08*LBL "3"
 09 STO 00
 10 RDN
 11 XEQ 00
 12 X<Y
 13 XEQ 00
 14 RCL 00
 15 SIGN
 16 RDN
 17 RCL IND Y
 18 LASTX
 19 *
 20 ST+ IND Y
 21 ISG Y
 22 -
 23 ISG Z
 24 GTO 02
 25 RTN
 26 RCL 00
 27 *
 28 RCL 07
 29 +
 30 RCL X
 31 RCL 03
 32 ST- Z
 33 SIGN
 34 -
 35 1 E3
 36 /
 37 +
 38 RTN
 39*LBL "4"

XROM 'T' HAS 77 LINES
 + 2 CALLS TO X-FUNCTIONS
 'REGMOVE' (XROM 25, 35)