

## Simplex Method

This will be the single-phase simplex method, assuming that the tableau is given in basic form.

```
import numpy as np
import pulp
from copy import deepcopy
import timeit
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import tqdm

def find_pivot_bland(tableau):
    """
    Using Bland's rule and the minimum ratio test, find the pivot entry
    in the tableau.

    Parameters
    -----
    tableau : array
        The simplex method tableau in basic form

    Returns
    -----
    r, s : integer
        Row and column indexes of the pivot

    Notes
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    Assumes that there is a negative reduced cost that we can pivot on.
    """
    M, N = tableau.shape
    m = M-1 # Number of constraints
    n = N-1 # Number of variables
    # Bland's rule: find first negative reduced cost
    s = 1
    while tableau[0, s] >= 0:
        s = s + 1
    # Minimum ratio test plus Bland's rule:
    # find the (first) row i minimizing b_i / a_{is}, a_{is} > 0
    r = 0
    theta_star = np.inf
    for i in range(1, m+1):
        if tableau[i, s] > 0:
            if tableau[i, 0] / tableau[i, s] < theta_star:
                r = i
                theta_star = tableau[i, 0] / tableau[i, s]
    return r, s
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def simplex(tableau, basis, pivot_rule=find_pivot_bland):
    """
    Perform the single phase simplex method, assuming the tableau is in
    basic form.

    Parameters
    -----
    tableau : array
        The simplex method tableau in basic form
    basis : array
        The list of indexes (in order) forming the basic set
    pivot_rule : function
        Given a tableau, returns the pivot index pair

    Returns
    -----
    soln : dict
        The solution dictionary with result, objective value, and
    solution.
    """
    M, N = tableau.shape
    m = M-1 # Number of constraints
    n = N-1 # Number of variables
    soln = {
        'result' : 'infeasible',
        'objective' : np.inf,
        'solution' : np.zeros((n,)),
        'basis' : basis
    }
    while np.any(tableau[0, 1:] < 0):
        r, s = pivot_rule(tableau)
        if r == 0: # No suitable pivot: unbounded
            soln['result'] = 'unbounded'
            return soln
        # Pivot
        tableau[r, :] = tableau[r, :] / tableau[r, s]
        for row in range(m+1):
            if r != row:
                tableau[row, :] = tableau[row, :] - tableau[row, s] *
tableau[r, :]
            basis[r-1] = s # minus 1 <-> costs row
        # All reduced costs non-negative: optimal solution found
        soln['result'] = 'optimal'
        soln['objective'] = -tableau[0, 0]
        soln['solution'] = tableau[1:, 0]
        soln['basis'] = basis
    return soln

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# Optimal portfolio
tableau = np.array([
    [0, -0.02, -0.03, 0, 0, 0],
    [10, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0],
    [7, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0],
    [5, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1]
])
basis = np.array([3, 4, 5])
simplex(tableau, basis)
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{'result': 'optimal',
 'objective': -0.25,
 'solution': array([5., 5., 2.]),
 'basis': array([2, 1, 4])}
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# Version for SC's lecture
tableau = np.array([
    [0, -1, -1, 0, 0],
    [24, 6, 4, 1, 0],
    [6, 3, -2, 0, 1]
], dtype=np.float64)
basis = np.array([3, 4])
simplex(tableau, basis)
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{'result': 'optimal',
 'objective': -6.0,
 'solution': array([6., 18.]),
 'basis': array([2, 4])}
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## Constructing a random LP in basic form

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np.random.seed(123)
m = 3
n = 3
tableau = np.zeros((m+1, n+m+1), dtype=np.float64)
tableau[1:, 0] = np.random.rand(m)
tableau[0, 1:n+1] = -np.random.rand(n)
tableau[1:, 1:n+1] = np.random.rand(m, n)
tableau[1:, n+1:] = np.identity(m)
basis = np.array(range(n+1, n+m+1))
# print(tableau)
# print(basis)
tableau_initial = deepcopy(tableau)
soln = simplex(tableau, basis)
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def compare_simplex_pulp(tableau, basis, pivot_rule=find_pivot_bland):
    """
    Compare the solution from the hand-coded method to that from PuLP.
    Parameters
    -----
    tableau : array
        The simplex method tableau in basic form
    basis : array
        The list of indexes (in order) forming the basic set
    pivot_rule : function
        Given a tableau, returns the pivot index pair

    Returns
    -----
    correct : boolean
        True if the solutions match

    Notes
    -----
    Current version of the code ignores the basis, assumes basis
    variables are the final m variables.
    """
    M, N = tableau.shape
    m = M-1 # Number of constraints
    n = N-1 # Number of variables
    # Find solution from PuLP
    prob = pulp.LpProblem("Random_compare", pulp.LpMinimize)
    vars = []
    for i in range(1, m+n+1):
        vars.append(pulp.LpVariable(f'x{i}', 0))
    objective = tableau[0, 1] * vars[0]
    for i in range(2, n+1):
        objective += tableau[0, i] * vars[i-1]
    prob += objective, "objective"
    for j in range(1, m+1):
        constraint = tableau[j, 1] * vars[0]
        for i in range(2, n+1):
            constraint += tableau[j, i] * vars[i-1]
        prob += constraint == tableau[j, 0], f"constraint {j}"
    prob.solve(pulp.COIN_CMD(msg=False))
    # Find solution using hand-coded simplex
    soln = simplex(tableau, basis, pivot_rule=find_pivot_bland)
    if soln['result'] != 'optimal':
        print('Result is ', soln['result'])
    # Do comparison
    correct = True
    correct = correct or np.allclose(soln['objective'],
pulp.value(prob.objective))
    for xb, i in zip(soln['solution'], soln['basis']):
        correct = correct or np.allclose(xb, vars[i-1].varValue)

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return correct
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np.random.seed(123)
m = 3
n = 3
tableau = np.zeros((m+1, n+m+1), dtype=np.float64)
tableau[1:, 0] = np.random.rand(m)
tableau[0, 1:n+1] = -np.random.rand(n)
tableau[1:, 1:n+1] = np.random.rand(m, n)
tableau[1:, n+1:] = np.identity(m)
basis = np.array(range(n+1, n+m+1))
print(compare_simplex_pulp(tableau, basis))
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True

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m = 4
n = 8
tableau = np.zeros((m+1, n+m+1), dtype=np.float64)
tableau[1:, 0] = np.random.rand(m)
tableau[0, 1:n+1] = -np.random.rand(n)
tableau[1:, 1:n+1] = np.random.rand(m, n)
tableau[1:, n+1:] = np.identity(m)
basis = np.array(range(n+1, n+m+1))
print(compare_simplex_pulp(tableau, basis))
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True

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for m in range(3, 40, 4):
    for n in range(m, 2*m, 4):
        tableau = np.zeros((m+1, n+m+1), dtype=np.float64)
        tableau[1:, 0] = np.random.rand(m)
        tableau[0, 1:n+1] = -np.random.rand(n)
        tableau[1:, 1:n+1] = np.random.rand(m, n)
        tableau[1:, n+1:] = np.identity(m)
        basis = np.array(range(n+1, n+m+1))
        print(m, n, compare_simplex_pulp(tableau, basis))
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3 3 True
7 7 True
7 11 True
11 11 True
11 15 True
11 19 True
15 15 True
15 19 True
15 23 True
15 27 True
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35 43 True
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35 51 True
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35 59 True
35 63 True
35 67 True
39 39 True
39 43 True
39 47 True
39 51 True
39 55 True
39 59 True
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39 63 True
39 67 True
39 71 True
39 75 True
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## Timing figure as used in lectures

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def setup(m, n):
    tableau = np.zeros((m+1, n+m+1), dtype=np.float64)
    tableau[1:, 0] = np.random.rand(m)
    tableau[0, 1:n+1] = -np.random.rand(n)
    tableau[1:, 1:n+1] = np.random.rand(m, n)
    tableau[1:, n+1:] = np.identity(m)
    basis = np.array(range(n+1, n+m+1))
    return tableau, basis
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student_id = 12345678
ms = np.array([9, 12, 15, 18, 22, 26, 31, 38, 46, 55, 66, 79,
95, 114, 137, 164, 197, 237, 284, 341, 410, 492, 590, 708, 850, 1021,
1225])
n = 30
n_instances = 50
times_max_ss = np.zeros_like(ms, dtype=np.float64)
times_ave_ss = np.zeros_like(ms, dtype=np.float64)
for i, m in enumerate(tqdm.tqdm(ms)):
    times_ss = np.zeros(n_instances, dtype=np.float64)
    for j in range(n_instances):
        np.random.seed(j+student_id)
        times_ss[j] = timeit.timeit("simplex(tableau, basis,
pivot_rule=find_pivot_bland)",
                                setup=f"tableau, basis = setup({m},
{n})",
                                globals=globals(),
                                number=10)
    times_max_ss[i] = times_ss.max()
    times_ave_ss[i] = times_ss.mean()
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textsize=16
plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': textsize})

fig, axis = plt.subplots(1, 1, figsize=(6,6))
axis.loglog(ms, times_ave_ss, 'kx', ms=8, mew=2, label='Simplex')
p = np.polyfit(np.log(ms[4:]), np.log(times_ave_ss[4:]), 1)
axis.loglog(ms, np.exp(p[1])*ms**p[0], 'b--',
label=rf"$m^{\{p[0]:.2f\}}$")
axis.set_xlabel(r"$m$")
axis.set_ylabel("Average time [ms]")
axis.set_title(r"$n=30$ fixed")
axis.legend()
fig.tight_layout()

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