III. Linear Programming

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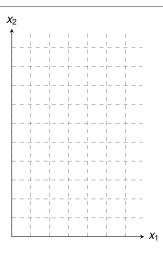
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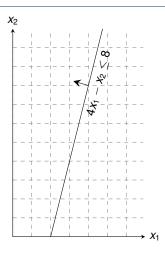


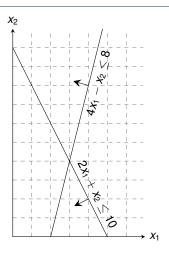


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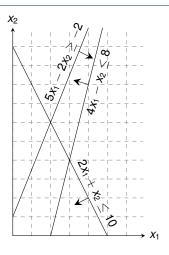


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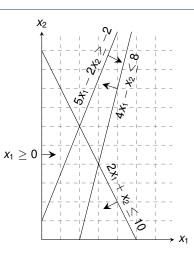


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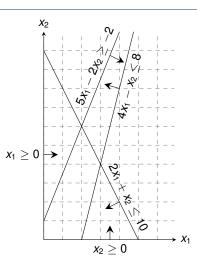
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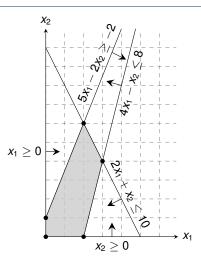
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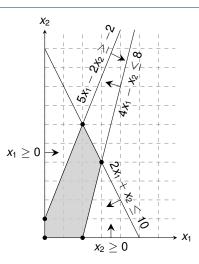
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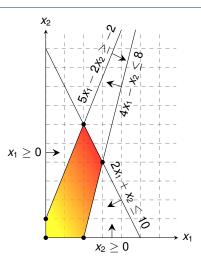
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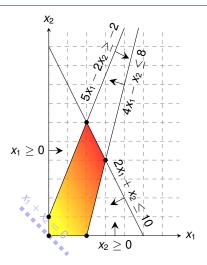
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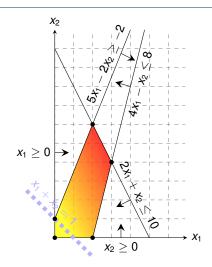
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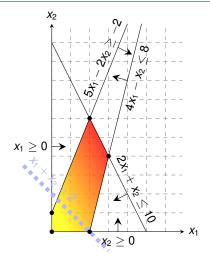
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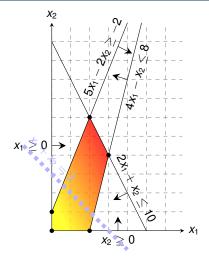
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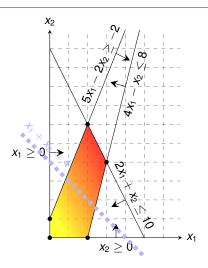
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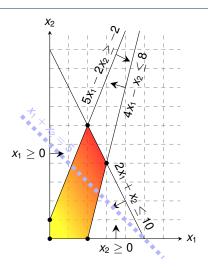
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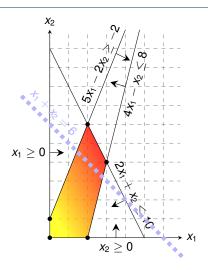
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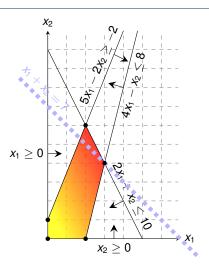
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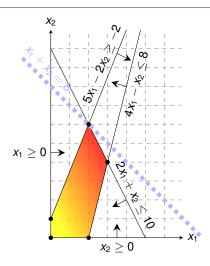
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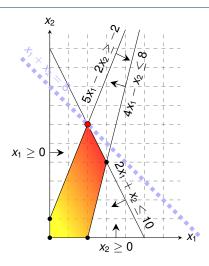
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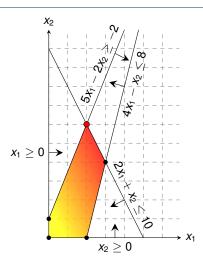
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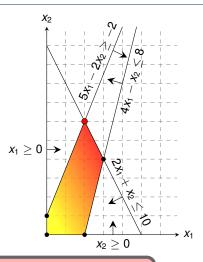
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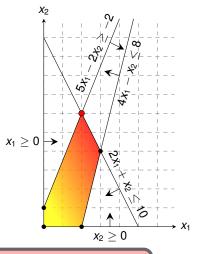


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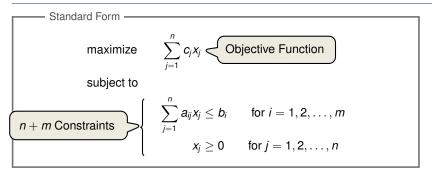
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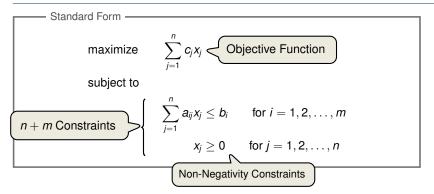
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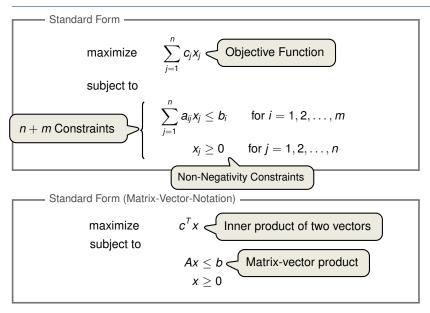
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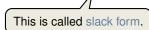
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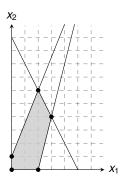
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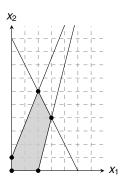
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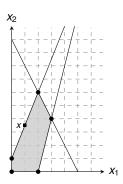
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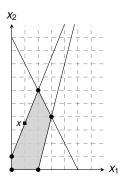
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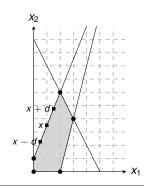
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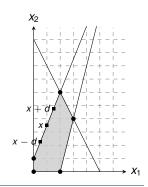
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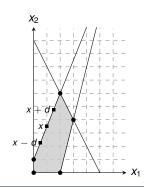
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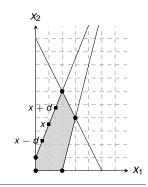
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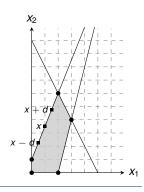
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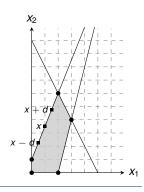
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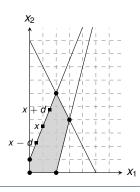
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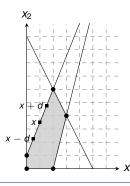
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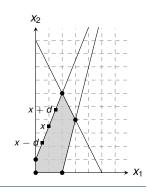
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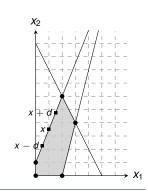
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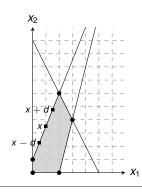
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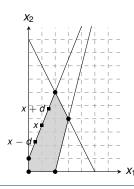
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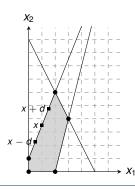
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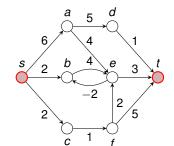
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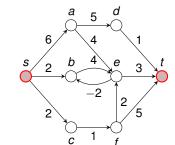
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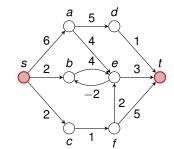
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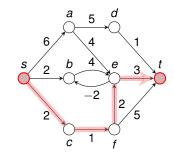




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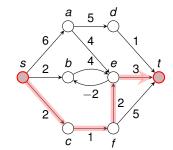




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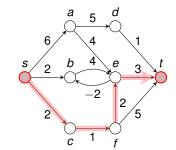
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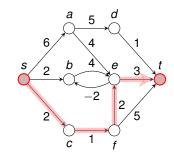
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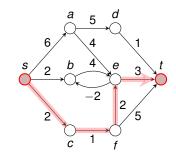
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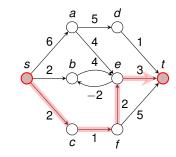
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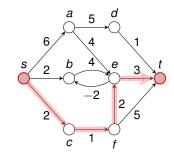
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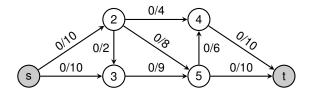
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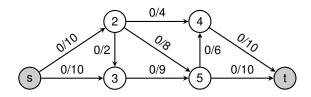




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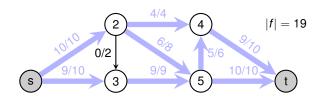




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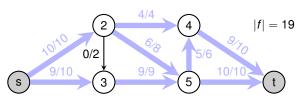




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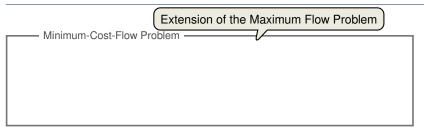
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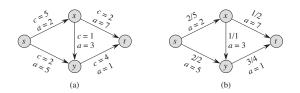


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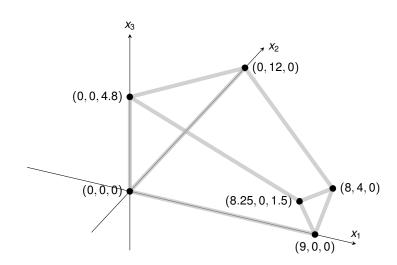
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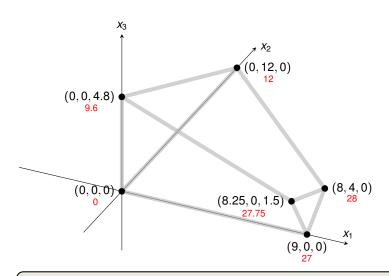
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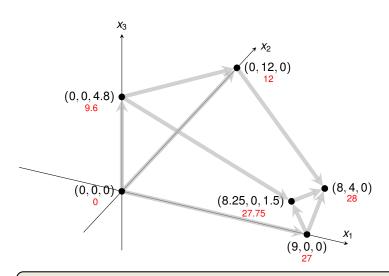
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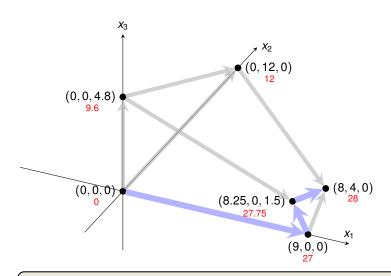
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          choose an index l \in B that minimizes \Delta_i
10
          if \Delta_I == \infty
11
                return "unbounded"
12
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               \bar{x}_i = b_i
15
          else \bar{x}_i = 0
16
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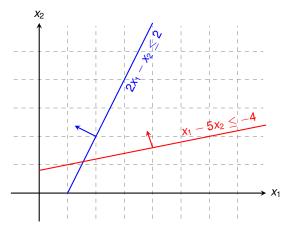
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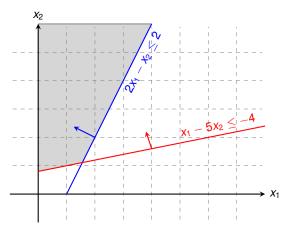




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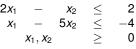


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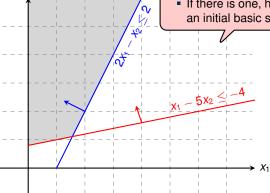
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Questions:

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 Since $\overline{x}_0 \geq 0$ and the objective is to maximize $-x_0$, this is optimal for L_{aux}
- " \Leftarrow ": Suppose that the optimal objective value of L_{aux} is 0
 - Then $\overline{x}_0 = 0$, and the remaining solution values $(\overline{x}_1, \overline{x}_2, \dots, \overline{x}_n)$ satisfy L.

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    form L_{\text{aux}} by adding -x_0 to the left-hand side of each constraint
          and setting the objective function to -x_0
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Example of Initialize-SIMPLEX (1/3)

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Basic solution
$$(0, 0, 0, 2, -4) \text{ not feasible!}$$

$$z = -4 - 2x_1 + x_2 + x_0$$

$$x_1 + 5x_2 + x_0$$



Example of Initialize-SIMPLEX (2/3)

$$z = x_3 = 2 - 2x_1 + x_2 + x_0$$

 $x_4 = -4 - x_1 + 5x_2 + x_0$





Basic solution (4, 0, 0, 6, 0) is feasible!



Optimal solution has $x_0 = 0$, hence the initial problem was feasible!



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- Lemma 29.12

If a linear program L has no feasible solution, then INITIALIZE-SIMPLEX returns "infeasible". Otherwise, it returns a valid slack form for which the basic solution is feasible.



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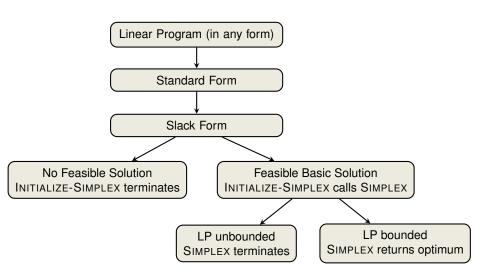
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Proof requires the concept of duality, which is not covered in this course (for details see CLRS3, Chapter 29.4)



Workflow for Solving Linear Programs





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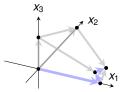
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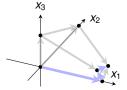
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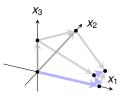
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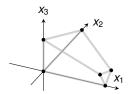
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