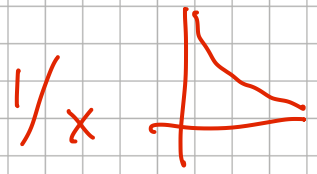
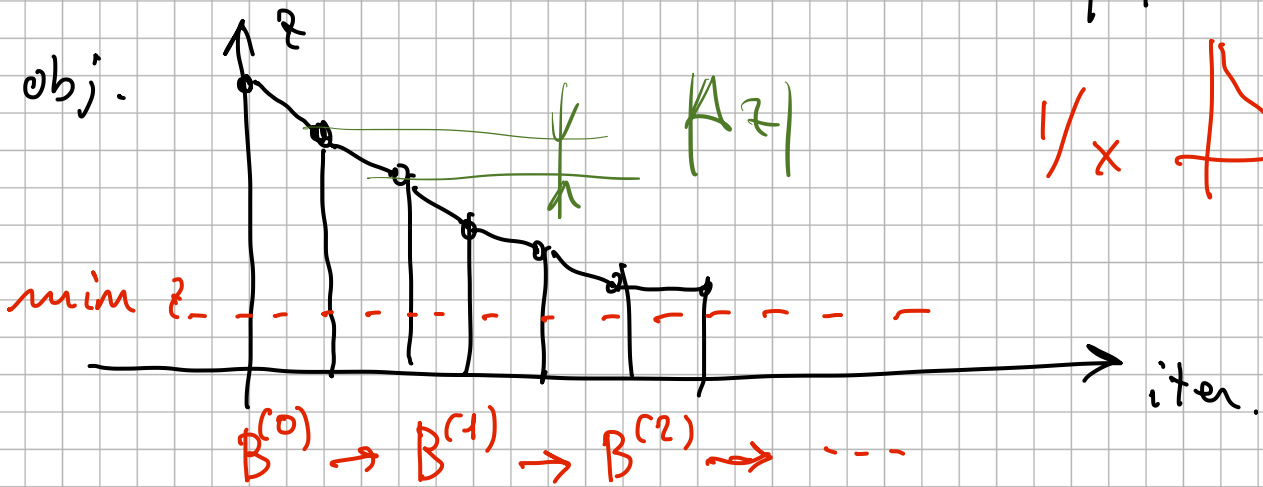
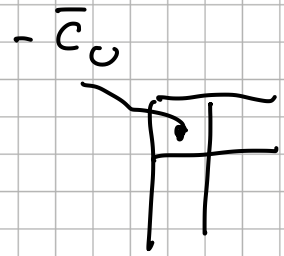


**CONVERGENCE**



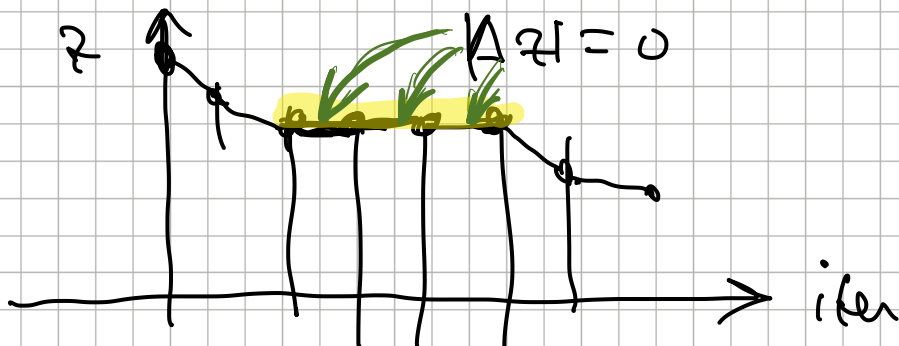
$|\Delta z| \neq 0 \Rightarrow$  all the  $B^{(i)}$  are DIFFERENT

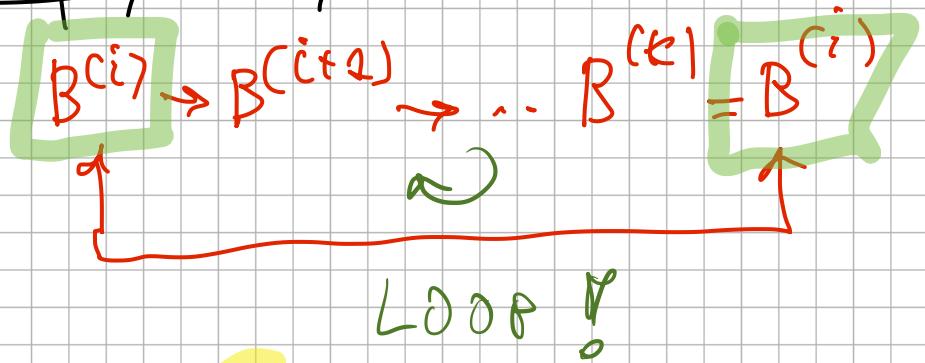
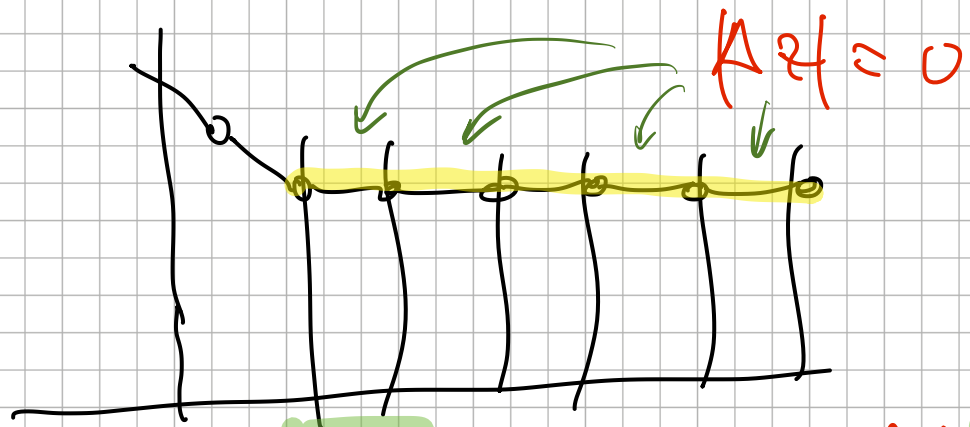
$\Rightarrow$  In the worst case, I'll enumerate ALL possible bases

$\Rightarrow$  after, at most,  $\binom{n}{m} = \frac{n!}{m!(n-m)!}$  iterations

the alg. MUST stop!

• What if  $|\Delta z| = 0$  for some iterations?





$$|\Delta z| := \underbrace{|\bar{c}_h|}_{\neq 0} \cdot \bar{z}_h$$

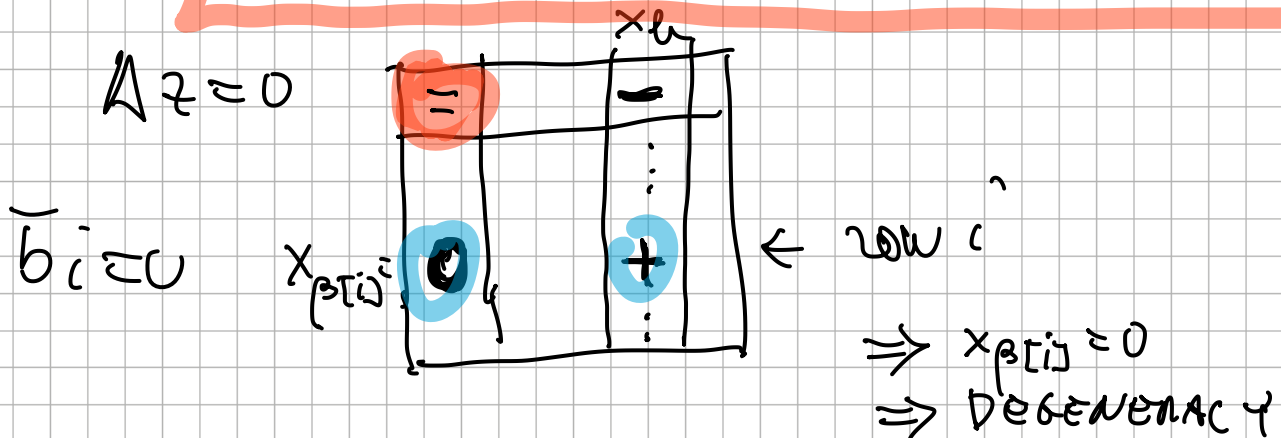
where

$$\bar{z}_h := \min \left\{ \frac{\bar{b}_i}{\bar{a}_{ih}} : \bar{a}_{ih} > 0 \right\}$$

where  $\bar{c}_h \neq 0 \Rightarrow$

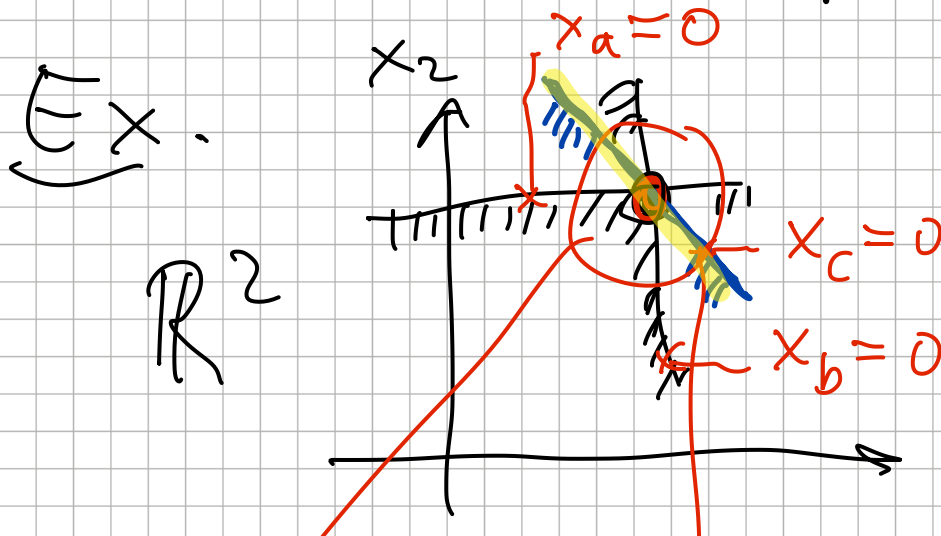
$$|\Delta z| = 0 \Rightarrow \bar{z}_h = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{b}_i = 0$  for some  $i$  (s.t.  $\bar{a}_{ih} > 0$ )



∴ Risk of LOOP ⇔

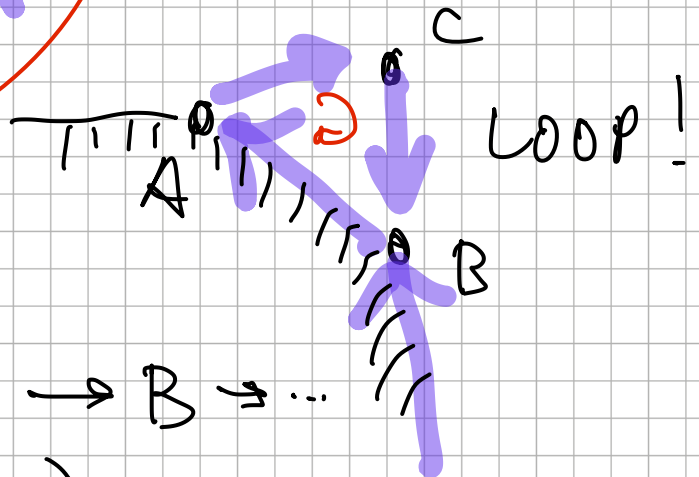
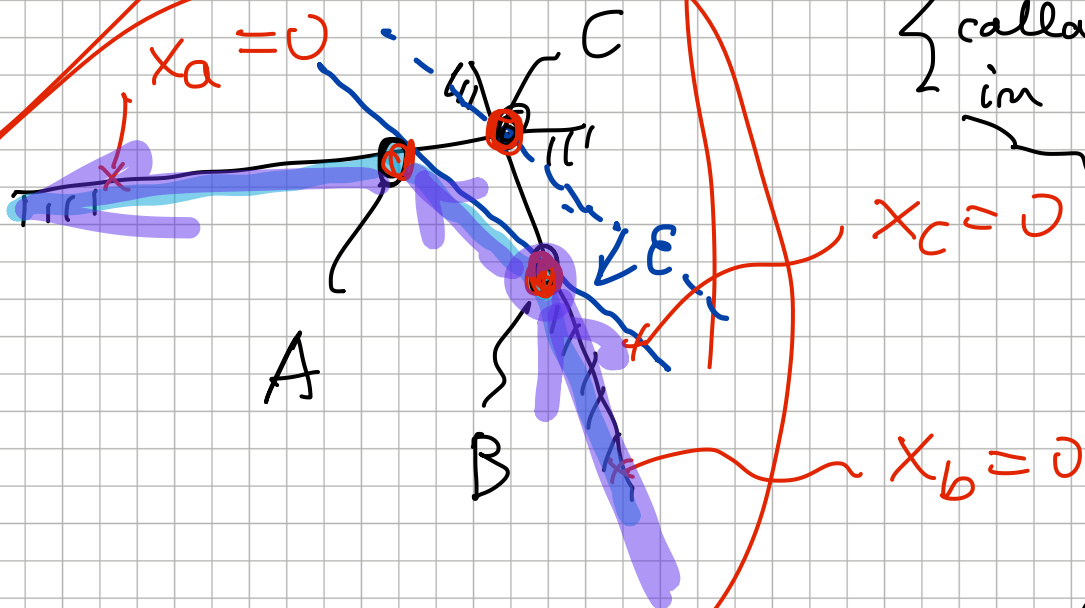
occurrence of DEGENERACY



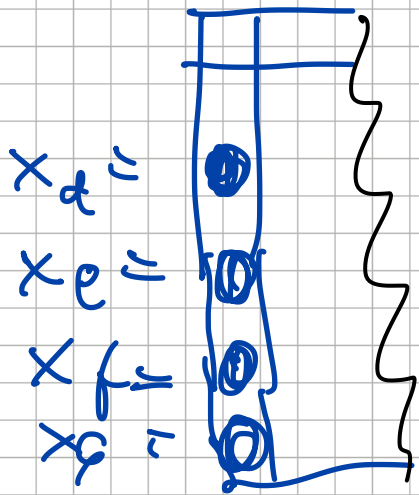
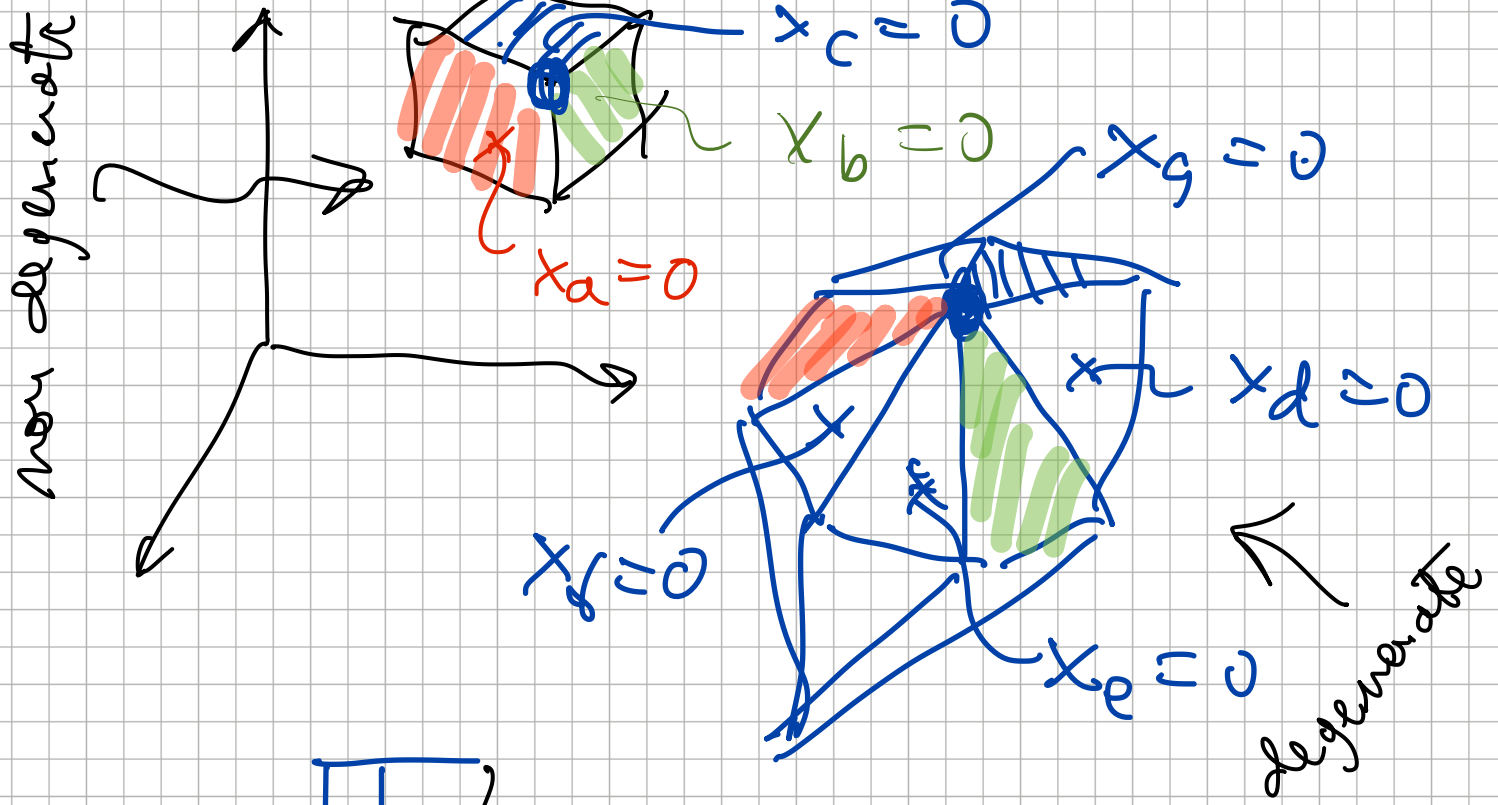
canonical form  
( $\leq$ )

" $x_c$  is basic but  $= 0$ "

3 "vertices" collapsed in a single point



$B \rightarrow A \rightarrow C \rightarrow B \rightarrow \dots$   
(loop)



very degenerate!

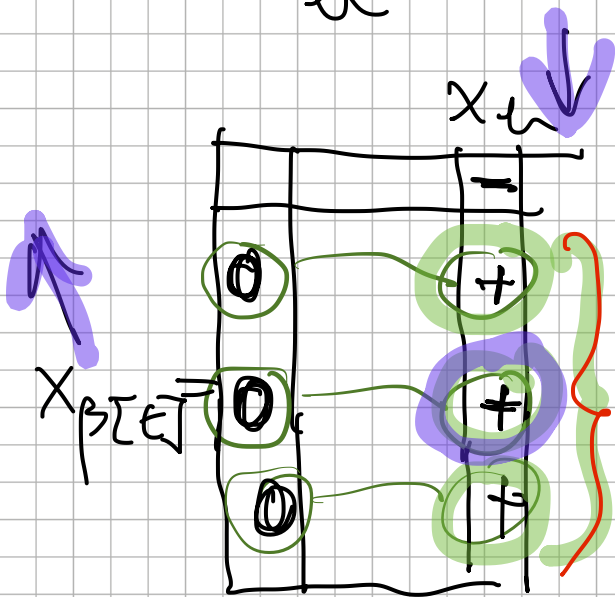
NO CONSTRAINT IS  
 REDUNDANT!

## HOW TO COPE WITH DEGEN.?

- ① DETERMINISTIC RULE  
 for the choice of  
 the PIVOT element  
 can lead to a loop

⇒ RANDOMIZED the choice!

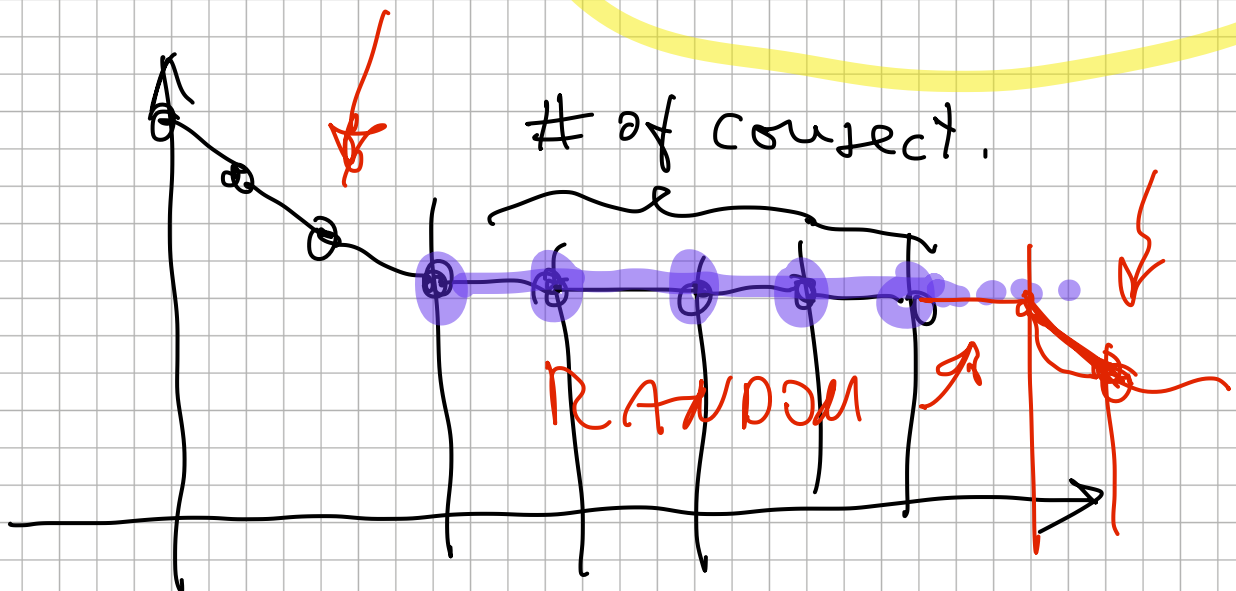
$C_k < 0 \rightarrow$  RANDOM CHOICE



bifurca  $\rightarrow$  MIN

$d = \min = 0$

RANDOM CHOICE!



BLAND's rule:

very simple DETERMINISTIC rule that avoid the LOOP!

" whenever one can  
 make a choice, prefer  
 the entering/leaving  
 variable  $x_j$  with  
 MINIMUM index  $j$  "

EX :

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	
$-z =$	-10	5	-1	0	-10	0	0	0
$x_5 =$	8	4	0	0	0	0	0	$8/4$
$x_3 =$	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	$6/3$
$x_6 =$	1	-2	0	0	0	0	0	-
$x_7 =$	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	$2/1$

shall I select  $x_5$  or  $x_3$  or  $x_7$   
 (to leave the basis) ?

TH : Using BLAND's rule, the simplex alg. converges after, at most,  $\binom{n}{m}$  iterations.

Proof By contradiction.

Smallest case in which we have a loop (even using Bland's rule)

$-obj$

$x_{\beta[i]} \dots x_h \dots x_n$

$x_n = x_{\beta[t]}$

$T =$

$-z =$	$0$	$-$	$0$
$x_{\beta[i]} =$	$0$	$+$	$0$
$x_{\beta[t]} =$	$1$	$0$	$0$
	$0$	$+$	$1$
	$0$	$0$	$0$

← row i

← row t

$\ominus \leq 0$   
 $\oplus > 0$

"During the loop, I'm making PIVOT ops on EVERY row/col."

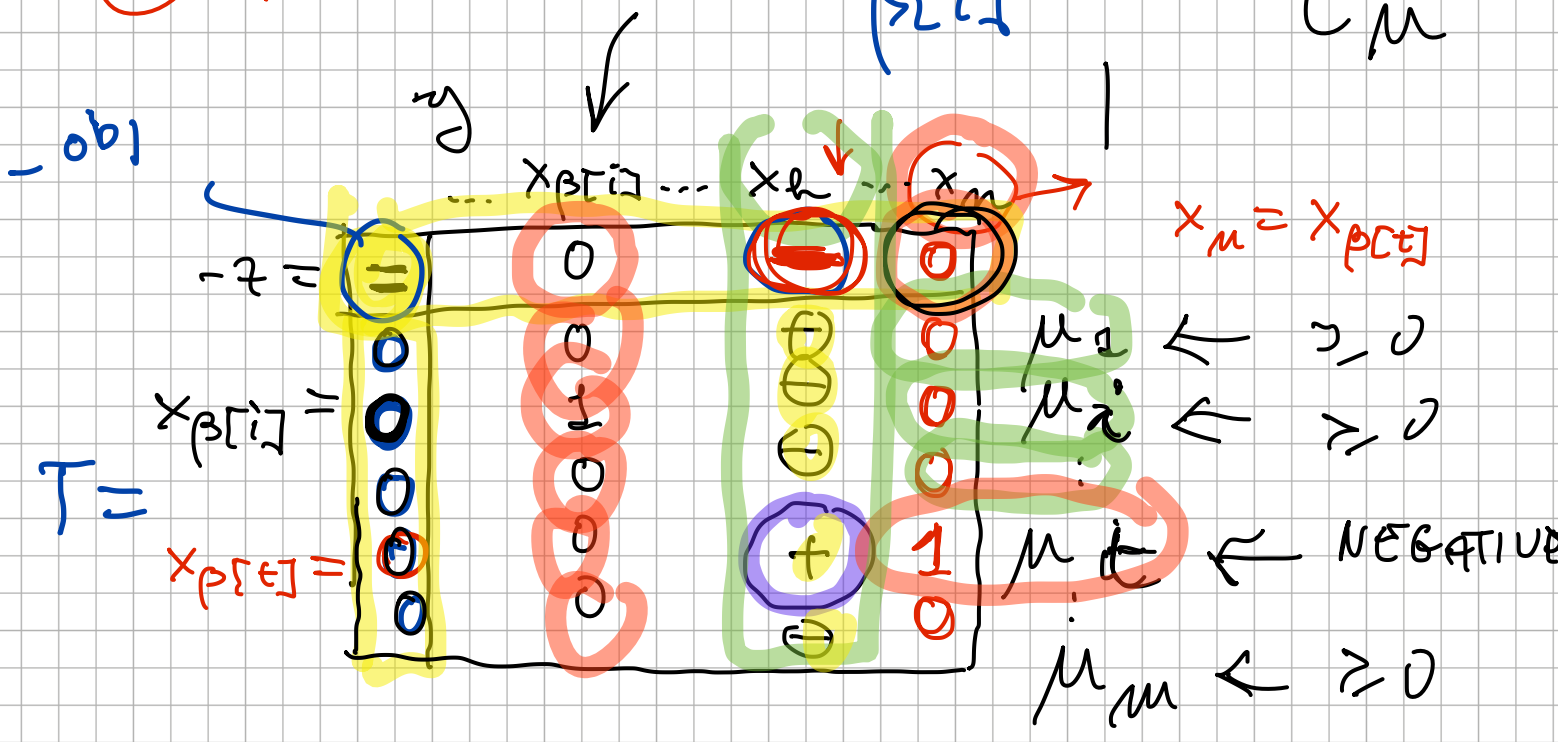
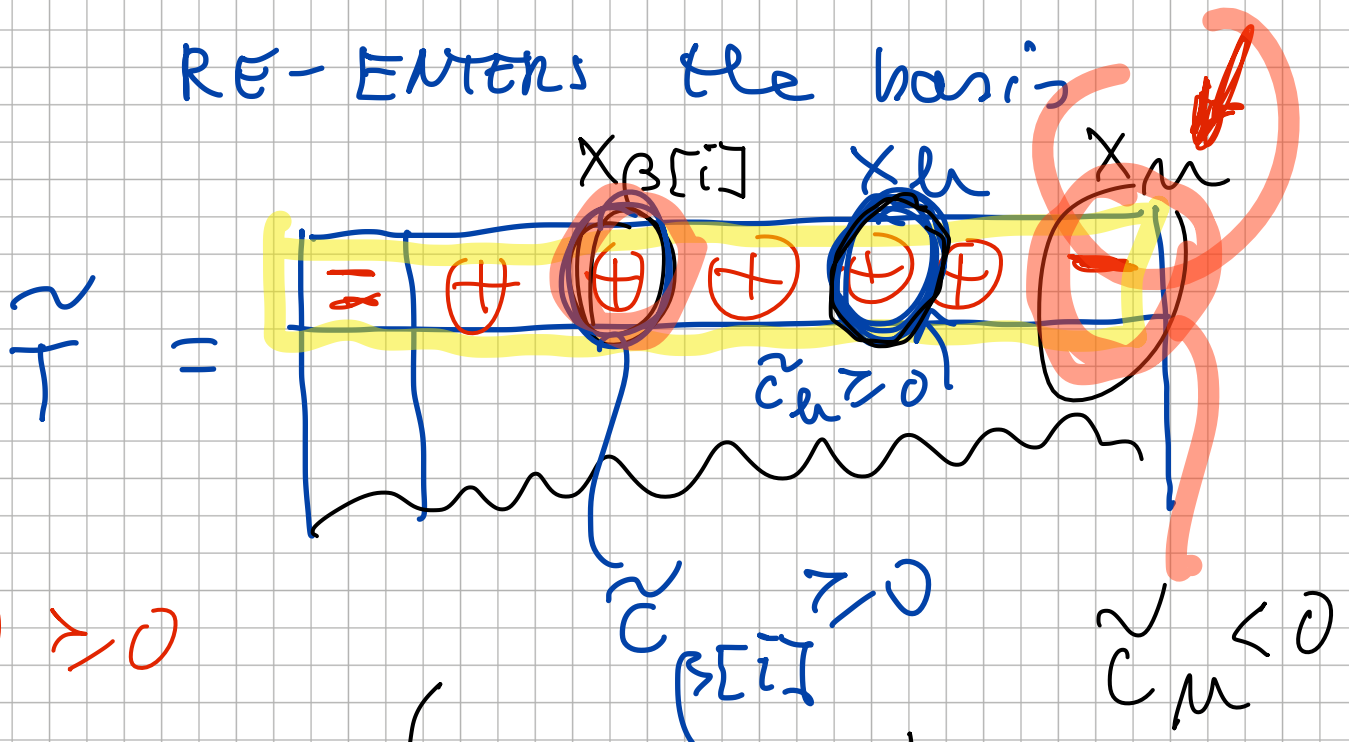
• Tableau T in  $x_n$  LEAVES the basis

- $\bar{c}_h < 0$  because  $x_h$  enters the basis
- $\bar{a}_{th} > 0$  " it is the PIVOT elem.

- $\bar{a}_{ih} \leq 0 \quad \forall i \neq l \quad (\Leftarrow \text{BLAND})$
- $C_{\beta[i]} = 0 \quad \forall i$  (reduced cost basic var.)
- $\bar{b}_i = 0 \quad \forall i$  ( $\Leftarrow$  MINIMALITY of this case)

• tableau  $T$  when  $x_m$

RE-ENTERS the basis





$$[\text{row } 0 \text{ in } \tilde{T}] = [\text{row } 0 \text{ in } T] + \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i [\text{row } i \text{ of } T]$$

$$\underbrace{c_M} < 0 = \underbrace{c_M} = 0 + \underbrace{\mu_t \cdot 1} > 0 \Rightarrow \mu_t < 0$$

$$\underbrace{c_{\beta[i]}} \geq 0 = \underbrace{c_{\beta[i]}} = 0 + \underbrace{\mu_i \cdot 1} > 0 \Rightarrow \mu_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i \neq t$$

$x_{\beta[i]}$  is basic on  $T$

$$\tilde{c}_h = c_h + \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i a_{ih}$$

$$= \underbrace{c_h}_{< 0} + \sum_{i \neq t} \underbrace{\mu_i}_{\geq 0} \underbrace{a_{ih}}_{\leq 0} +$$

$$\underbrace{\mu_t}_{< 0} \cdot \underbrace{a_{th}}_{\geq 0}$$

$< 0$  impossible!