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Dear Mr. Orden:

In "An Introduction to Linear Programming" by Charnes, et al., reference is made to your article entitled "Scientific Computation of Optimum Programs." In this article you apparently mentioned a code for digital computers that would provide solutions for the maximization (or minimization) of a linear form governed by a system of linear equalities or inequalities. I am currently interested in writing a program for our digital computer (Illiac) that will handle linear programming problems. I would appreciate information concerning whether such a program has already been written, and if so, by whom. Although it may have been written for another digital computer, it would undoubtedly be of help in writing one for the Illiac.

I would like, if possible, to obtain a copy of your article "Scientific Computation of Optimum Programs."

Very truly yours.

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