

IE 400: Principles of Engineering Management

Study Set 3 Solutions

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Question 1.

(a) **Parameters:**

w_j = weight capacity of compartment j (in tons)

s_j = space capacity of compartment j (in cubic meters)

wt_i = weight of cargo i (in tons)

v_i = weight of cargo i (in cubic meters/ton)

p_i = profit gained from cargo i (TL/ton)

Decision Variables:

x_{ij} = amount of cargo i distributed to compartment j in tons

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{j=1}^3 p_i x_{ij} \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{ij} \leq wt_i \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad (1) \\
& \quad \sum_{i=1}^4 v_i x_{ij} \leq s_j \quad j = 1, 2, 3 \quad (2) \\
& \quad \sum_{i=1}^4 x_{ij} \leq w_j \quad j = 1, 2, 3 \quad (3) \\
& \quad \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i1}}{w_1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i2}}{w_2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i3}}{w_3} \quad (4) \\
& \quad x_{ij} \geq 0 \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad j = 1, 2, 3
\end{aligned}$$

(b) Replace constraint (4) with

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i1}}{w_1} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i2}}{w_2} \right| \leq 0.1 \\
& \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i1}}{w_1} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i3}}{w_3} \right| \leq 0.1 \\
& \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i2}}{w_2} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i3}}{w_3} \right| \leq 0.1
\end{aligned}$$

You need to linearize these constraints before adding to the model:

$$\begin{aligned}
-0.1 & \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i1}}{w_1} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i2}}{w_2} \leq 0.1 \\
-0.1 & \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i1}}{w_1} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i3}}{w_3} \leq 0.1 \\
-0.1 & \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i2}}{w_2} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 x_{i3}}{w_3} \leq 0.1
\end{aligned}$$

(c) (b) is more likely to have a larger optimal value since the feasible region in (b) includes the feasible region in (a).

(d) **Decision Variables:**

x_{ij} = amount of cargo i distributed to compartment j in tons

$$y_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if cargo } i \text{ is shipped in compartment } j \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Model: All constraints in (b) +

$$x_{ij} \leq w_j y_{ij} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 y_{ij} \leq 1 \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4$$

$$y_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

$$x_{ij} \text{ integer} \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

Question 2.

- (a) Formulate the model to determine which trucks to use so as to minimize the cost of delivering to all the customers.

Decision Variables:

$$x_k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if truck } k \text{ is used } k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

$$y_{jk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if customer } j \text{ is visited by truck } k \ j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

$$z_{jk} = \text{Amount of good is carried by truck } k \text{ for customer } j \\ j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7$$

Model:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{k=1}^7 q_k x_k \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{k=1}^7 z_{jk} = d_j & j = 1, \dots, 20 \\ & \sum_{j=1}^{20} z_{jk} \leq C_k x_k & k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ & z_{jk} \leq d_j y_{jk} & j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ & y_{jk} \leq x_k & j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ & x_k \in \{0, 1\} & k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ & y_{jk} \in \{0, 1\} & j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7 \\ & z_{jk} \geq 0 & j = 1, \dots, 20 \ k = 1, \dots, 7 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Add the following requirements to your model:

- A single truck cannot deliver to more than six customers.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{20} y_{jk} \leq 6 \quad k = 1, \dots, 7$$

- Customer 1 and customer 7 cannot be visited by the same truck.

$$y_{1k} + y_{7k} \leq 1 \quad k = 1, \dots, 7$$

- Both customer 2 and customer 12 should be visited by the same truck(s).

$$y_{2,k} = y_{12,k} \quad k = 1, \dots, 7$$

- If a truck visits customer 4 then it has to visit customer 19 or customer 20. (Assume demands of these customers do not exceed truck capacities.)

$$y_{4,k} \leq y_{19,k} + y_{20,k} \quad k = 1, \dots, 7$$

- Either at least two of the customers 5, 6 and 7 or at most three of customers 11, 12, 13 and 14 should be visited by truck 4.

$$\text{either } y_{5,4} + y_{6,4} + y_{7,4} \geq 2 \tag{1}$$

$$\text{or } y_{11,4} + y_{12,4} + y_{13,4} + y_{14,4} \leq 3 \tag{2}$$

In order to linearize the constraint, add the following decision variable:

$$w = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if constraint 1 holds} \\ 0 & \text{if constraint 2 holds} \end{cases}$$

Then add the following constraints to the model:

$$y_{5,4} + y_{6,4} + y_{7,4} \geq 2w - (1 - w)M$$

$$y_{11,4} + y_{12,4} + y_{13,4} + y_{14,4} \leq 3(1 - w) + Mw$$

$$w \in \{0, 1\}$$

Question 3.

Decision Variables:

$$y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if constraint } i \text{ is satisfied} \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

$$z_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if at least one of 7,8,9 is satisfied} \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

$$z_2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if at least two of 10,11,12,13 are satisfied} \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Model:

$$\min 0$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \leq b_i + M(1 - y_i) \quad i = 1, \dots, 20 \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \geq b_i - My_i \quad i = 1, \dots, 20 \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{20} y_i \geq 10 \quad (3)$$

$$y_1 \leq y_4 \quad (4)$$

$$y_2 + y_3 \leq 1 \quad (5)$$

$$y_5 = y_6 \quad (6)$$

$$y_7 + y_8 + y_9 \geq z_1 \quad (7)$$

$$y_{10} + y_{11} + y_{12} + y_{13} \geq 2z_2 \quad (8)$$

$$z_1 + z_2 \geq 1 \quad (9)$$

$$z_1, z_2 \in \{0, 1\} \quad (10)$$

$$y_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, \dots, 20 \quad (11)$$

where M is a sufficiently large number. Observe that we minimize zero, which means that the model is a feasibility problem. If a feasible solution is found for the above model, the objective will take value 0.

Let's take a closer look at constraints (1) and (2):

- If $y_i = 1$:

Constraint (1) becomes $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \leq b_i$ which means that the constraint i is satisfied.

Constraint (2) becomes $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \geq b_i - M$. This makes the constraint redundant as $-M$ is a really small number.

- If $y_i = 0$:

Constraint (1) becomes $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \leq b_i + M$ which makes the constraint redundant as M is a really large number.

Constraint (2) becomes $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}x_j \geq b_i$. This means constraint is not satisfied.

(3): Point x should satisfy at least 10 of the 20 constraints.

(4): If point x satisfies constraint 1, then it should also satisfy constraint 4.

(5): If point x satisfies constraint 2, then it should not satisfy constraint 3.

(6): If point x satisfies either both of the constraints 5 and 6 or neither of them.

(7)-(8)-(9): Point x should satisfy either at least one of the constraints 7,8,9 or at least two of constraints 10,11,12,13.

Question 4.

Decision Variables:

x_i : Number of workers employed on line i $i = 1, 2$

$$y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if line } i \text{ is used } i = 1, 2 \\ 0 & \text{o.w} \end{cases}$$

Model:

$$\begin{aligned} \min & 1000y_1 + 2000y_2 + 500x_1 + 900x_2 \\ \text{s.t. } & 20x_1 + 50x_2 \geq 120 \\ & 30x_1 + 35x_2 \geq 150 \\ & 40x_1 + 45x_2 \geq 200 \\ & x_1 \leq 7y_1 \\ & x_2 \leq 7y_2 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \\ & y_1, y_2 \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

Question 5.

Two-Phase Method:

The phase-I problem is the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & a_1 + a_2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + a_1 = 60 \\ & 3x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 - e_1 + a_2 = 120 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3, e_1, a_1, a_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Now we need to solve phase-I LP:

Tableau 0:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	a ₁	a ₂	RHS
1	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	0
0	2	1	3	0	1	0	60
0	3	3	5	-1	0	1	120

The simplex tableau above is not in proper format since the row zero coefficients of basic variables a_1 and a_2 are not zero. We add the first and second row to row zero to make these coefficients zero:

Tableau 0:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	a ₁	a ₂	RHS
1	5	4	8	-1	0	0	180
0	2	1	3	0	1	0	60
0	3	3	5	-1	0	1	120

 60/3
 120/5

Now we can start simplex iterations: since it is a minimization problem we are looking for positive coefficients to decide on entering variables.

x_3 enters and a_1 leaves:

Tableau 1:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	a ₁	a ₂	RHS
1	-1/3	4/3	0	-1	-8/3	0	20
0	2/3	1/3	1	0	1/3	0	20
0	-1/3	4/3	0	-1	-5/3	1	20

 20/(1/3)
 20/(4/3)

x_2 enters and a_2 leaves:

Tableau 2:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	a ₁	a ₂	RHS
1	0	0	0	0	-1	-1	0
0	3/4	0	1	1/4	3/4	-1/4	15
0	-1/4	1	0	-3/4	-5/4	3/4	15

Both a₁ and a₂ left the basis so we can delete their columns from the tableau and move onto phase-II. We write the original objective function coefficients to the tableau:

Tableau 0:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	RHS
1	-3	-2	-4	0	0
0	3/4	0	1	1/4	15
0	-1/4	1	0	-3/4	15

Again, notice that this tableau is not in proper format, we need to make row zero coefficients of basic variables x₂ and x₃ zero:

Tableau 0:

z	x ₁	x ₂	x ₃	e ₁	RHS
1	-1/2	0	0	-1/2	90
0	3/4	0	1	1/4	15
0	-1/4	1	0	-3/4	15

Stop. The tableau is optimal since there is no positive entry in row zero.

The optimal solution is x₁^{*}=0, x₂^{*}=x₃^{*}=15 with objective value 90.

Now let's solve the same problem with Big-M method.

Big-M method:

The LP is the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min \quad & 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 + Ma_1 + Ma_2 \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & 2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + a_1 = 60 \\
 & 3x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 - e_1 + a_2 = 120 \\
 & x_1, x_2, x_3, e_1, a_1, a_2 \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

Tableau 0:

z	x_1	x_2	x_3	e_1	a_1	a_2	RHS
1	-3	-2	-4	0	-M	-M	0
0	2	1	3	0	1	0	60
0	3	3	5	-1	0	1	120

Let's put the tableau in the proper format first:

Tableau 0:

z	x_1	x_2	x_3	e_1	a_1	a_2	RHS
1	$5M-3$	$4M-2$	$8M-4$	-M	0	0	$180M$
0	2	1	3	0	1	0	60
0	3	3	5	-1	0	1	120

→ $60/3$
 $120/5$

x_3 enters and a_1 leaves:

Tableau 1:

z	x_1	x_2	x_3	e_1	a_1	a_2	RHS
1	$-(M+1)/3$	$(4M-2)/3$	0	-M	$(4-8M)/3$	0	$80+20M$
0	$2/3$	$1/3$	1	0	$1/3$	0	20
0	$-1/3$	$4/3$	0	-1	$-5/3$	1	20

→ $20/(1/3)$
 $20/(4/3)$

x_2 enters and a_2 leaves:

Tableau 2:

z	x_1	x_2	x_3	e_1	a_1	a_2	RHS
1	$-1/2$	0	0	$-1/2$	$1/2-M$	$1/2-M$	90
0	$3/4$	0	1	$1/4$	$3/4$	$-1/4$	15
0	$-1/4$	1	0	$-3/4$	$-5/4$	$3/4$	15

Stop. The tableau is optimal since there is no positive entry in row zero.

The optimal solution is $x_1^*=0$, $x_2^*=x_3^*=15$ with objective value 90.