

IE 375 Spring 2014

(1) Estimation of h (multi-item environment)

(i) Assume $h_i = Ic_i + \epsilon_i$

(ii) Known operating budget, B

(iii) B is measured (and compared) by $\sum_i c_i \frac{Q_i}{2}$ value.

$$\min \sum_i \frac{k_i x_i}{Q_i}$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum_i c_i \frac{Q_i}{2} \leq B$$

Ref: A special case of Appendix 4-A Text book

Solution yields a Lagrangian — call it Θ .

Θ actually corresponds to an estimate of I .

(2) Estimation of P

Idea of inputted cost.

Ref: Text Book

(3) Estimation of k/h ratio

Idea of exchange curves — see

"Inventory & Production Management in Supply Chains"
by Silver et al., 4th Edition, 2016 (CRC Press) or
previous editions.