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Acronyms

CTD Centre for Transport Development

UP University of Pretoria

Chapter 1

Introduction

Consultancy firms typically sell services, a product with an instantaneous expiry date. Traditional approaches of inventory managed assume that a product can be held in inventory to satisfy a later demand, an approach that does not hold when you're selling time. To combat this, consultancy firms must ensure that their resources are running optimally. However, if resources do not have work then their utilisation will be low. To combat this, it is proposed to create a new product at a discounted rate to entice customers to purchase additional work - a concept used in airlines for ticket sales. Pricing considerations.

A company has i projects that are scheduled for time t . There is a resource pool that may do these projects. Each resource can take a max of 8 hours per day for a project. Projects have a resource requirement. Discounted project must be scheduled to maximise the utilisation of resources over certain time period.

Assume projects are certain. Assume project created will be bought and implemented.

1.1 Background

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1.1.1 Subsection

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Chapter 2

Literature review

So at the start of a new chapter, the first use of the acronym University of Pretoria ([UP](#)) should be written in full again. I doubt [Manson \(2006\)](#) will think this is a rigorous review.

Chapter 3

Model

And here is some mathematical formula expressed in (3.1).

$$y = mx + c \quad (3.1)$$

where m is the gradient of the line.

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3.1 Preliminary model

$$\begin{aligned} x_{it} &\triangleq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if project } i \text{ is underway during time } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ y_{jt} &\triangleq \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if improvement project } j \text{ is underway during time } t \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ q_t &\quad \text{resource availability at time } t \\ r_i &\quad \text{resource requirement for project } i \\ r_j &\quad \text{resource requirement for improvement project } j \\ \tilde{z}_{it} &\quad \text{probability of project } i \text{ occurring at time } t \end{aligned}$$

The parameter \tilde{z}_{it} can be expressed as random variable and is derived from the stage a customer is in the sales funnel. Projects that are ongoing or started are indicated as 1. We can include a cost of normal project and the cost of a improvement project as different.

$$\max z = \sum_{i \in I} x_{it} r_i \tilde{z}_{it} + \sum_{j \in J} y_{jt} r_j \quad (3.2)$$

Subject to

$$\sum_{i \in I} x_{it} r_i \tilde{z}_{it} + \sum_{j \in J} y_{jt} r_j \leq q_t \quad \forall t \in T \quad (3.3)$$

Chapter 4

Results and discussion

Chapter 5

Conclusion

This is the chapter where you add *concluding* remarks. It is not a summary.

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Appendix A

Some data as appendix