Module 03 - Production Modeling

Exploratory Data Analysis

In this section, you should perform some data analysis on the data provided to you. Please format your findings in a visually pleasing way and please be sure to include these cuts:

- Make a table of average demand, production capacity, and costs for each quarter, are there differences between quarters?
- Since we have temporal data (i.e. year and quarter), see if you can make a yearly and/or quarterly chart showing these metrics over time.



Model Formulation

 $P_1 \le 435$

 $P_2 \le 440$

 $P_3 \le 477$

 $P_4 \le 429$

 $84 \le B_2$

 $62 \le B_3$

 $63 \le B_4$

 $32 \leq B_5$

Model Optimized for Cost Reduction

Implement your formulation into Excel and be sure to make it neat. This section should include:

A screenshot of your optimized final model (formatted nicely, of course)
A text explanation of what your model is recommending

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Beginning Inventory	850	398	220	63	
Units Produced	391.40175	440.00125	476.9995833	293.0008333	
Units Demanded	843	618	634	324	
Ending Inventory	398	220	63	32	
Min inventory	84	62	63	32	
Max Production	435	440	477	429	
Average Inventory	624.2006667	309.4013333	141.9007083	47.90008333	
Unit Production Costs	53.75	48.93	49.63	50.71	
Unit Carrying Cost (1.49)	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.49	
Monthly Production Cost	21038.00715	21529.81116	23673.29057	14858.19434	
Monthly carrying Cost	930.0589933	461.0079867	211.4320554	71.37112417	
					\$ 82,773.17

Model with Stipulation

Please copy the tab of your original model before continuing with the next part to avoid messing up your original solution. If we remove the production capacity constraint from the model & we removed the carrying cost, what do you think will happen? Try it out and see if it matches your expectation. Try to explain what is happening and talk a bit about fallbacks of models.

	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Beginning Inventory	850	84	990	356	
Units Produced	77.30045833	1524.102958	0	0	
Units Demanded	843	618	634	324	
Ending Inventory	84	990	356	32	
Min inventory	84	62	63	32	
Max Production	435	440	477	429	
Average Inventory	467.1500208	537.3508958	673.4013333	194.4005	
Unit Production Costs	53.75	48.93	49.63	50.71	
Unit Carrying Cost (1.49)	1.49	1.49	1.49	1.49	
Monthly Production Cost	4154.931844	74576.26288	0	0	
Monthly carrying Cost	696.053531	800.6528348	1003.367987	289.656745	
					\$ 78,731.19

Without the production capacity constraints, it produces everything in the second quarter where the production costs are the cheapest. It only produces in quarter 1 because it needs to fulfill the safety stock. This mass production in Q2 is also enabled by the elimination of the carrying costs from the objective formula because it would drive the Q2 and Q3 inventory costs through the roof doubling the Q2 carrying costs and 5xing the Q3 carrying costs.