

AMS 540: Linear Programming

Problem Set 1

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Problem 1:

Formulate an LP to maximize Eastinghouse's daily profit

Solution:

Define

$x_1 :=$ Number of workers from 8am – 4pm shift

$x_2 :=$ Number of workers from 4pm – 12am

$x_3 :=$ Number of workers from 12am – 8am

To maximize Eastinghouse's daily profit, I define *profit* as:

$$profit = (18 * 10 - 12 * 8)x_1 + (22 * 9 - 16 * 8)x_2 + (24 * 12 - 20 * 8)x_3$$

The linear program is:

$$maximize (18 * 10 - 12 * 8)$$

$$subject\ to\ x_1 \leq 10$$

$$x_2 \leq 10$$

$$x_3 \leq 10$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 25$$

$$10x_1 + 9x_2 + 12x_3 \leq 250$$

$$4(10)x_1 + 3(9)x_2 + 2(12)x_3 \leq 3(10x_1) + 3(9x_2) + 3(12x_3)$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0$$

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