



Mixed Integer Linear Programming Course Notes on Modeling

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1 Model examples

1.1 Integer Knapsack Problem

Input: *n* items, value c_j and weight $w_j \ge 0$ for each item j, a capacity $K \ge 0$.

Output: a maximum value subset of items whose total weight does not exceed capacity *K*.

$$\max \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_j x_j$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} w_j x_j \le K$$

$$x_j \in \{0, 1\} \qquad j = 1..n$$

with $x_j = 1$ iff item j is selected

1.2 Uncapacitated Facility Location Problem

Input: n facility locations, m customers, cost c_j to open facility j, cost d_{ij} to serve customer i from facility on location j.

Output: a minimum (opening and service) cost assignment of the customers to the open facilities.

$$\min \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} x_{j} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m} d_{ij} y_{ij}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} y_{ij} = 1$$

$$i = 1..m$$

$$y_{ij} \le x_{j}$$

$$x_{j} \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$j = 1..n$$

$$y_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$

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where $x_j = 1$ iff a facility is open at location j and $y_{ij} = 1$ iff customer i is served from facility j.





1.3 $1||C_{\text{max}}$ Scheduling Problem

Input: n tasks and one machine, duration p_i for each task i.

Output: a minimum makespan schedule of the tasks on the machine.

$$\begin{aligned} & \min s_{n+1} \\ & \text{s.t. } s_{n+1} \geq s_j + p_j & j = 1...n \\ & s_j - s_i \geq M x_{ij} + (p_i - M) & i, j = 1...n \\ & x_{ij} + x_{ji} = 1 & i, j = 1...n; i < j \\ & s_j \in \mathbb{Z}_+ & j = 1...n + 1 \\ & x_{ij} \in \{0,1\} & i, j = 1...n \end{aligned}$$

where $x_{ij} = 1$ iff task i precede task j, s_i is the starting time of task i, s_{n+1} is the makespan, and where $M \ge \sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i$.

1.4 Market Split Problem

Input: 1 company with 2 divisions, m products, n retailers, availability d_j for each product j, demand a_{ij} of each retailer i for each product j.

Output: an assignement of the retailers to the divisions approaching a 50/50 production split for each product.

$$\min \sum_{j=1}^{m} s_{j}^{+} + s_{j}^{-}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ij} x_{i} + s_{j}^{+} - s_{j}^{-} = \frac{d_{j}}{2} \qquad j = 1..m$$

$$x_{i} \in \{0, 1\} \qquad i = 1..n$$

$$s_{j}^{+} \ge 0, s_{j}^{-} \ge 0 \qquad j = 1..m$$

where $x_i = 1$ iff retailer i is assigned to division 1, $s_j^+ - s_j^-$ is the slack value (s_j^+ is the positive part and s_j^- is the negative part) between the volume produced by division 1 and the desired volume ($d_j * 50\%$).

1.5 Capacitated Transhipment Problem

Input: directed graph G = (V, A), demand or supply b_i at each node n, capacity h_{ij} and unit flow cost c_{ij} on each arc (i, j).

Output: a minimum cost integer flow to satisfy the demand.

$$\min \sum_{(i,j)\in A} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j\in \delta^{+}(i)} x_{ij} - \sum_{j\in \delta^{-}(i)} x_{ij} = b_{i} \qquad i \in V$$

$$x_{ij} \leq h_{ij} \qquad (i,j) \in A$$

$$x_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_{+} \qquad (i,j) \in A$$

where x_{ij} the flow on arc (i, j)





1.6 Traveling Salesman Problem

Input: a set V of cities, $E = V^2$, a distance $c_{ij} = c_{ji}$ between each cities i and j. **Output:** a tour visiting every city exactly once.

$$\min \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{e \in E \mid i \in e} x_e = 2 \qquad i \in V$$

$$\sum_{\delta(Q)} x_e \ge 2 \qquad \emptyset \subsetneq Q \subsetneq V$$

$$x_e \in \{0,1\} \qquad e \in E$$

where $x_e = 1$ iff the edge e belongs to the tour.

1.7 Uncapacitated Lot Sizing Problem

Input: n time periods, fix production cost f_t , unit production cost p_t , unit storage cost h_t at period t, demand d_t at each period t.

Output: a minimum (production and storage) cost production plan that satsify the demand.

$$\min \sum_{t=1}^{n} f_t y_t + \sum_{t=1}^{n} p_t x_t + \sum_{t=1}^{n} h_t s_t$$
s.t. $s_{t-1} + x_t = d_t + s_t$ $t = 1...n$

$$x_t \le M_t y_t$$
 $t = 1...n$

$$y_t \in \{0, 1\}$$
 $t = 1...n$

$$s_t, x_t \ge 0$$
 $t = 1, ..., n$

$$s_0 = 0$$

where $y_t = 1$ iff production occurs during period t, x_t is the amount produced during period t, y_t is the amount stored at the beginning of period t, and where $M_t \ge \sum_{i=t}^n d_i$ for each period t.

$$\min \sum_{t=1}^{n} f_{t} y_{t} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{t=i}^{n} p_{i} z_{it} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{t=i+1}^{n} \sum_{j=i}^{t-1} h_{j} z_{it}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{i=1}^{t} z_{it} = d_{t}$$

$$z_{it} \leq d_{t} y_{i}$$

$$y_{t} \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$z_{it} \geq 0$$

$$i = 1..n; t = i..n$$

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where z_{it} is the amount produced in period i to satisfy demand of period t.





1.8 Bin Packing Problem

Input: n items, weight $w_j \ge 0$ for each item j, m containers each of capacity $K \ge 0$. **Output:** an assignment of the items to a minimum number of containers.

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{i}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{j} x_{ij} \le K y_{i} \qquad i = 1...n$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{ij} = 1 \qquad j = 1...m$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \qquad i = 1..n; \ j = 1...m$$

$$y_{i} \in \{0, 1\} \qquad i = 1...n$$

 $y_i \in \{0,1\}$ i=1..n where $y_i=1$ iff container i is used and $x_{ij}=1$ iff item j is assigned to container i. The Dantzig-Wolfe formulation (can be solved by delayed column generation):

$$\min \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} x_s$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} a_{js} x_s = 1 \qquad j = 1..n$$

$$x_s \in \{0, 1\} \qquad s \in \mathcal{S}$$

where $\mathcal{S} = \{s \subset \{1, ..., n\} \mid \sum_{j \in s} w_j \leq K\}$ is the set of all possible arrangements of items to one container, and $x_s = 1$ iff all the items in s (and no others) are assigned to the same container.

1.9 Multi 0-1 Knapsack Problem

Input: n items, value c_j and weight $w_j \ge 0$ for each item j, m containers, capacity $K_i \ge 0$ for each container i. **Output:** a maximum value subset of items to assign to the containers such that the capacity of each container is not exceeded.

$$\max \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} x_{ij}$$
s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} w_{j} x_{ij} \le K_{i}$$

$$i = 1..m$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_{ij} \le 1$$

$$j = 1..n$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$

$$j = 1..n, i = 1..m$$

with $x_{ij} = 1$ iff item j is assigned to container i The lagrangian dual:

$$\begin{aligned} \min z_{\pi} \\ \text{s.t. } \pi_{i} &\geq 0 \quad i = 1..m \\ z_{\pi} &= \quad \max \sum_{i=1}^{m} \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{j} x_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^{m} \pi_{i} (\sum_{j=1}^{n} w_{j} x_{ij} - K_{i}) \\ \text{s.t. } \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_{ij} &\leq 1 \\ x_{ij} &\in \{0,1\} \end{aligned} \qquad \qquad j = 1..n, i = 1..m$$

where π_i is the penalty for violating the capacity of container i





2 Outline

2.1 Modeling booleans with binary variables

indicator	linearization
$\delta = 1 \iff x > 0, x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$	$\delta \le x \le U\delta$
$\delta = 1 \iff x > a$	$(a+\epsilon)\delta \le x \le a + (U-a)\delta$
$\delta = 1 \iff a \le x < b$	need 2 indicators
$\delta = 1 \Longrightarrow f \ge a$	$f \ge m + (a - m)\delta$
$\delta = 0 \Longrightarrow f \ge a$	$f \ge m + (a - m)(1 - \delta)$
$\delta = 1 \Longrightarrow f < b$	$f \le M + (b + \epsilon - M)\delta$
$f \ge b \Longrightarrow \delta = 0$	$f \le M + (b + \epsilon - M)\delta$

with $x \in [0, U] \subseteq \mathbb{R}_+$, $Ay \in [m, M] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and indicator $\delta \in \{0, 1\}$

• It is often not necessary to enforce equivalence (⇔) between the indicator and the condition: onesense implication (⇒) can be enough (and simplier)

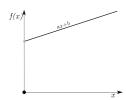
2.2 Modeling logic/numeric relations with binary variables

condition	example	linearization	
exclusive disjunction	either c or \overline{c}	$\delta = 1 \iff c$	
exclusive disjunction	either c_1 or c_2	$\delta_1 + \delta_2 = 1$	
disjunction	c_1 or c_2	$\delta_1 + \delta_2 \ge 1$	
dependency	if c_1 then c_2	$\delta_2 \ge \delta_1$	
exclusive alternative	exactly 1 out of n	$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_i = 1$	
counter	exactly k out of n	$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \delta_i = k$	
bound	at least k out of n	$\sum_{i=1}^{i-1} \delta_i \ge k$	
bound	at most k out of n	$\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \delta_i \le k$	



2.3 Modeling non-linear functions with binary variables

2.3.1 set-up value:



$$f:[0,U]\subseteq\mathbb{R}_+\to\mathbb{R}_+$$

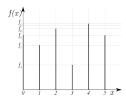
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0\\ ax + b & \text{if } 0 < x \le U \end{cases}$$

$$f(x) = ax + b\delta$$

$$\epsilon \delta \le x \le U\delta$$

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

2.3.2 discrete value:



$$f(x) = f_i \text{ if } x = i$$

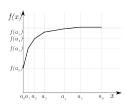
$$f(x) = \sum_i \delta_i f_i$$

$$\sum_i i\delta_i = x$$

$$\sum_{i} \delta_{i} = 1$$

$$\delta_i \in \{0,1\} \ i = 0..n$$

2.3.3 piecewise linear:



$$f(x) = \sum_{i} \lambda_{i} f(a_{i})$$

$$\sum_i a_i \lambda_i = x$$

$$\lambda_i \in [0,1] \ i = 0..n$$

with
$$SOS2(\lambda_i)$$