

ISE 3230 Problem Formulation

Decision Variables:

$income_{ij}$ represents the amount of income for movie i at timeslot j
 $i=1,2,\dots,8$ and $j=1,2,\dots,41$

$tickets_{ij}$ represents the amount of tickets sold for movie i at timeslot j
 $i=1,2,\dots,8$ and $j=1,2,\dots,41$

$showings_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$ represents whether or not movie i is shown at timeslot j
 $i=1,2,\dots,8$ and $j=1,2,\dots,41$

$theaters[k]_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$ represents whether or not theater k shows movie i at timeslot j
 $k=1,2,\dots,8$ and $i=1,2,\dots,8$ and $j=1,2,\dots,41$

Objective Function:

z represents the amount of income in dollars (\$)

$$\max(z) = \sum_{i=1}^8 \sum_{j=1}^{41} income_{ij}$$

Constants:

$price_j$ is the price of a ticket at timeslot j

$mPopularity_i$ is the popularity index of movie i as determined by IMDB charts at its time of release

$tPopularity_j$ is the popularity index of timeslot j as determined by Google analytics and reviews for Gateway Theaters

$theaterCapacity_k$ is the capacity of theater k

$movieLength_i$ is the length of movie i measured in the number of 15 minute timeslots it would take to finish the movie

Constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^8 showings_{ij} &\leq 2 \quad \text{for } j=1,2,\dots,41 \\ \sum_{j=1}^{41} showings_{ij} &\leq 5 \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \\ \sum_{j=1}^{41} showings_{ij} &\geq 1 \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \end{aligned}$$

$$showings = theaters1 + theaters2 + \dots + theaters8$$

$$\begin{aligned} tickets_{ij} &= theaterCapacity_k * theaters[k]_{ij} \\ \text{for } k=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} income_{ij} &= tickets_{ij} * price_j * mPopularity_i * tPopularity_j \\ \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{a=j}^{j+movieLength_i} theaters[k]_{ij} &\leq 1 \\ \text{for } k=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} income_{ij} &\geq 0 \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \\ tickets_{ij} &\geq 0 \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \\ showings_{ij} &\geq 0 \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41 \end{aligned}$$

$$theaters[k]_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \text{for } k=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } i=1,2,\dots,8 \text{ and } j=1,2,\dots,41$$