Module 09 – Fixed Charge Problem

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 visual graph of your data on a map (coordinates should be within US borders)
 - o https://mymaps.google.com/
 - o Find a map with latitude/longitude and place them approximately
 - o Any alternative that gives the same effect

Model Formulation

Write the formulation of the model into here prior to implementing it in your Excel model. Be explicit with the definition of the decision variables, objective function, and constraints.

Min: X1 + X2 + X3 + X4 + 2831Y1 + 2008Y2 + 2277Y3 + 2707Y4

Constraints

 $X11 + X21 + X31 + X41 \le 980$

 $X12 + X22 + X32 + X42 \le 530$

 $X13 + X23 + X33 + X43 \le 571$

 $X14 + X24 + X34 + X44 \le 643$

 $X15 + X25 + X35 + X45 \le 632$

 $X16 + X26 + X36 + X46 \le 652$

 $X1 - 3537 \le 0$

 $X2 - 3537 \le 0$

 $X3 - 3537 \le 0$

 $X4 - 3537 \le 0$

Model Optimized for Min Costs to Supply DCs

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

WH	DC	WH LAT	WH LONG	DC LAT	DC LONG	MANHATTAN
1	1	43.27	-85.71	33.59	-76.09	19.3
1	. 2	43.27	-85.71	30.39	-73.86	24.73
1	3	43.27	-85.71	42.12	-124.66	40.1
1	. 4	43.27	-85.71	25.65	-108.54	40.45
1	. 5	43.27	-85.71	30.54	-90.09	17.11
1	. 6	43.27	-85.71	30.39	-70.61	27.98
2	1	30.82	-78.51	33.59	-76.09	5.19
2	2	30.82	-78.51	30.39	-73.86	5.08
2		30.82	-78.51	42.12	-124.66	57.45
2	2 4	30.82	-78.51	25.65	-108.54	35.2
2	5	30.82	-78.51	30.54	-90.09	11.86
2	2 6	30.82	-78.51	30.39	-70.61	8.33
3	1	25.44	-76.25	33.59	-76.09	8.31
3	3 2	25.44	-76.25	30.39	-73.86	7.34
3	3	25.44	-76.25	42.12	-124.66	65.09
3		25.44	-76.25	25.65	-108.54	32.5
3	5	25.44	-76.25	30.54	-90.09	18.94
3	6	25.44	-76.25	30.39	-70.61	10.59
4	1	29.6	-93.54	33.59	-76.09	21.44
4	2	29.6	-93.54	30.39	-73.86	20.47
4	3	29.6	-93.54	42.12	-124.66	43.64
4	4	29.6	-93.54	25.65	-108.54	18.95
4	5	29.6	-93.54	30.54	-90.09	4.39
4	6	29.6	-93.54	30.39	-70.61	23.72

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

WH>DC	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	19.3	24.73	40.1	40.45	17.11	27.98	
2	5.19	5.08	57.45	35.2	11.86	8.33	
3	8.31	7.34	65.09	32.5	18.94	10.59	
4	21.44	20.47	43.64	18.95	4.39	23.72	
WH>DC	1	2	3	4	5	6	SUM
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
2	980	530	0	0	0	652	2162
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
4	0	0	571	643	632	0	1846
USED	980	530	571	643	632	652	4008
DEMAND	980	530	571	643	632	652	4008
						Objective	\$ 57,802.53
SET UP COST	2831	2008	2277	2707			
BINARY VARIABLES	0	1	0	1	2		
DINARY VARIABLES		-1846	0	-2162			

Model with Stipulation

Please copy the tab of your original model before continuing with the next part to avoid messing up your original solution.

Please perform 2 out of the 3 scenarios below with a short text description on what changed:

1. Instead of only being able to open 2 warehouses, what happens to our objective function when we only can open 1 warehouse?

The cost decreased by \$2,000 - \$57,802 compared to now \$55,095

WH>DC	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	19.3	24.73	40.1	40.45	17.11	27.98	
2	5.19	5.08	57.45	35.2	11.86	8.33	
3	8.31	7.34	65.09	32.5	18.94	10.59	
4	21.44	20.47	43.64	18.95	4.39	23.72	
WH>DC	1	2	3	4	5	6	SUM
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	980	530	0	0	0	652	2162
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	571	643	632	0	1846
USED	980	530	571	643	632	652	4008
DEMAND	980	530	571	643	632	652	4008
						Objective	\$ 55,095.53
SET UP COST	2831	2008	2277	2707			
BINARY VARIABLES	0	1	0	0	1		
LINKING CONSTRAINTS	0	-1846	0	1846			

2. Right now, we have \$1 per unit shipped over the distance between the warehouse and the DC. What happens to our objective function when we increase this to \$30? Does your DC assignment change at all?

It does dramatically increase the objective function as well as switch around which warehouses are used.

Objective \$ 2,410,587.53

3. For distance between each location, we used Manhattan distance but what happens to our model if we use Euclidean distance instead? Did the change impact the model at all? Do you feel this is a better distance metric to use in this scenario?

