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HOMEWORK 8

PRODUCTION PLANNING & SCHEDULING

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Problem 14

Table 1 below includes the optimal order size, re-order point, and safety stock required for Weiss's Optimal (Q,R) inventory system given a unit penalty cost for stock-outs.

Table 1: Optimal (Q,R) Inventory System for Weiss's Paint Store

| Metric | Value | Units |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Q* | 81 | [item/order] |
| R* | 124 | [items] |
| S* | 26 | [items] |

Problem 15

Table 2 below includes the optimal order size, re-order point, and comparative Type 2 service level (beta) required for Weiss's Type 1 Optimal (Q,R) inventory system.

Table 2: Type 1 Optimal (Q,R) Inventory System for Weiss's Paint Store

| Metric | Value | Units |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| EOQ | 75 | [item/order] |
| R* alpha=0.9 | 117 | [item] |
| beta alpha=.9 | 0.9905 | NA |

Additional Problems

Problem 28

Table 3 below suggests the preferred inventory models that should be used at an artist's supply shop for each situation they're dealing with. The Simple EOQ model is chosen for Situation A because the product has a restrictive lifetime of 3 months, an equivalent lead time of 3 months, and various demand levels. This requires a newsvendor model with a desired service level (Simple EOQ) to determine how much demand should be satisfied during the products life time.

The Finite Production Rate model is chosen for Situation B because the demand is predictable, there is no given lifetime of the product, and there is a purchasing cost given for the product. This suggest a (Q,R) model with a penalty cost proportional to the lost profits and goodwill (Finite Production Rate) that can accurately satisfy demand given the regular demand levels.

The Resource-Constrained EOQ is chosen for Situation C because the demand is variable and the given lifetime isn't a significant factor. This suggests a (Q,R) model with a Type 2 service level (Resource-Constrained EOQ) that will minimize stock-outs by the unit, month-to-month. The focus of this model is meeting each unit, because the demand is variable when making sales.

The EOQ with Quantity Discounts is chosen for Situation D because product selling price varies by volume of sale, quantity discounts. This suggests a (Q,R) model with Type 1 service level (EOQ with Quantity Discounts) that will minimize stock-outs by the order. The focus of this model is meeting the order, because order size matters in the sale.

Table 3: Suggested Inventory Models for an Artist's Supply Shop across Situations

| Situation | Model |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| A | Simple EOQ |
| B | Finite Production Rate |
| C | Resource-Constrained EOQ |
| D | EOQ with Quantity Discounts |

Problem 29

Table 4 below includes the optimal order size, re-order point, and safety stock, in the last three rows, required for the campus store's (Q,R) inventory system of pencils given a unit penalty cost for stock-outs. The first two rows of Table 4 give a (Q,R) model based on the simple EOQ calculation, in which the order size is 45 units less than optimal and the re-order point is 1 unit more than the optimal. Given that the simple EOQ based (Q,R) model varies from the optimal, the average annual holding, set-up, and stock-out costs will cumulatively be larger than the optimal (Q,R) model which is designed to minimize these total costs.

Table 4: Optimal (Q,R) Inventory System for Campus Store Pencils

| Metric | Value | Units |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| EOQ | 1741 | [item/order] |
| R EOQ | 319 | [item] |
| Q* p | 1786 | [item/order] |
| R* p | 318 | [item] |
| S | 151 | [item] |

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Table 5 below includes an optimal type 1 service level (Q,R) model for the campus store's pencils in the first two rows, type 2 service level (Q,R) model in the first and third row, and the optimal type 2 service level (Q,R) model in the last two rows.

Table 5: Type 1 and Type 2 Service Level Optimal (Q,R) Inventory Systems for Campus Store Pencils

| Metric | Value | Units |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| EOQ | 1741 | [item/order] |
| R* alpha | 334 | [item] |
| R Beta | 94 | [item] |
| Q* Beta | 1863 | [item/order] |
| R* Beta | 86 | [item] |

Problem 31

Table 6 below includes the TRUE or FALSE response for each given statement.

Table 6: TRUE/FALSE Statements

| Statement | Logical |
|------------------|----------------|
| A | FALSE |
| B | TRUE |
| C | TRUE |
| E | FALSE |