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Exercise 1 (value 13)

A multi-utility company is reorganizing working teams to handle customers requests more efficiently. A set I of workers is given and has to be partitioned into teams, so that each worker is assigned to a unique team.

The set K represents the set of proficiencies in different fields related to the multi-utility core business, including proficiencies on water distribution, electric distribution, waste management, etc. The human resource manager (HR) stated that each worker $i \in I$ has a value a_{ik} of proficiency on field $k \in K$, with a_{ik} ranging from 0 (no proficiency) to 5 (full proficiency).

Overall, for each team, at least a value 3 of proficiency for each field $k \in K$ is required.

Moreover, each team must be composed of a number of workers between l and u.

The company wants to minimize the number of teams while respecting the given characteristics. HR also reported that each worker have preferences on the other members of the team: in particular, c_{ih} $i \in I, h \in I, i \neq h$ is the preference of worker i to be put in the same team of worker h. Among all solutions with the minimum number of teams, select the one with the highest amount of overall preference.

Write a MILP model including all the given specifications.

After checking the first results of the model, HR asks to include the following constraint for a better distribution of proficiencies among the teams: there must be at least one component of the team having at least one proficiency that equals 5, or at least two components having at least a proficiency with value 3. (Suggestion: consider that set of workers with special skills can be defined by a preprocessor, and used by the model as data.)

Exercise 2 (value 9)

Consider the following ILP problem. Solve it with the standard branch-and-bound method. Solve the linear relaxation graphically and perform the first branching on the x_2 variable.

$$\max 2x_1 + 3x_2$$

$$6x_1 + 17x_2 \le 102$$

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 \ge 15$$

$$3x_1 - 4x_2 \le 12$$

$$4x_1 - x_2 \ge 2$$

$$x_1, x_2 \ge 0, integer$$

Consider the above model and relax the integrality constraints. Imagine you had to apply the two-phase method to the obtained LP problem:

- (i) Write the auxiliary problem of the first phase inserting the **minimum possible number** of auxiliary variables.
- (ii) Use the graphic of the ILP to show one possible path of the two-phase algorithm, with respect to the solutions at each iteration, up to the optimal continuous solution.

Exercise 3 (value 6)

Write a GLPK or XPRESS model corresponding to the following mathematical model

$$\max z = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} p_{ij} x_{ij} - \sum_{j=1}^{m} w_{j} y_{j}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} c_{i} x_{ij} \le C y_{j} \qquad j = 1, \dots, m \qquad (1)$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m} x_{ij} = 1, \qquad i = 1, \dots, m \qquad (2)$$

$$\sum_{j \in F_{i}} x_{ij} = 0, \qquad i = 1, \dots, m \qquad (3)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} x_{ij} = 1, i = 1, \dots, m (2)$$

$$\sum_{j \in F_i} x_{ij} = 0, i = 1, \dots, m (3)$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} i = 1, \dots, n, \ j = 1, \dots, m (4)$$

$$y_j \in \{0, 1\} j = 1, \dots, m (5)$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$
 $i = 1, \dots, n, \ j = 1, \dots, m$ (4)

$$y_j \in \{0, 1\}$$
 $j = 1, \dots, m$ (5)



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Constants

T= set of all the possible teams (if no upper bound on the number of teams is known |T|=|I|) $I3\subseteq I=$ set of workers with at least two proficiencies with value that equal to 3 $I5\subseteq I=$ set of workers with at least a proficiency equal to 5 $Q=\sum_{i.h\in I, i\neq h}c_{ih}$

Variables

 $x_{ij} = 1$ if worker $i \in I$ is assigned to team $j \in T$, 0 otherwise.

 $y_j = 1$ if team $j \in T$ is created, 0 otherwise.

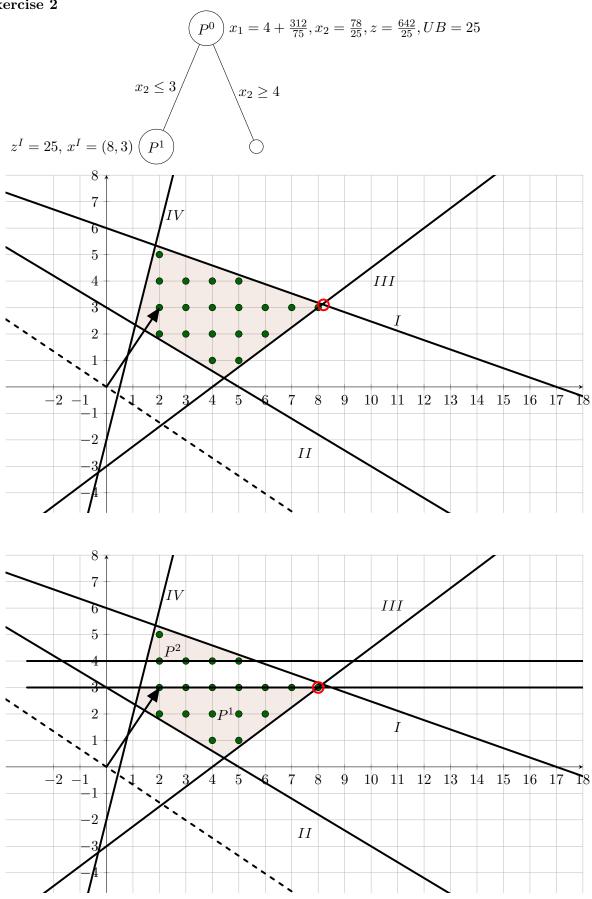
 $\theta_{ih}^{j}=1$ if both workers, $i\in I$ and $h\in I$ $(i\neq h)$ are assigned to team $j\in T,$ 0 otherwise.

 $z_i = 1$ if at team j is assigned at least one worker from I5, 0 otherwise.

 $w_j = 1$ if at team j are assigned at least two workers from I3, 0 otherwise.

Model

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \, Q \sum_{j \in T} y_j - \sum_{i \in I} \sum_{h \in I, i \neq h} \sum_{j \in T} c_{ih} \theta_{ih}^j \\ & \sum_{j \in T} x_{ij} = 1 \quad i \in I \\ & \sum_{i \in I} a_{ik} x_{ij} \geq 3 y_j \quad k \in K, j \in T \\ & \sum_{i \in I} x_{ij} \leq u y_j \quad j \in T \\ & \sum_{i \in I} x_{ij} \geq l y_j \quad j \in T \\ & (x_{ij} + x_{hj}) \geq 2 \theta_{ih}^j \quad i, h \in I, i \neq h, j \in T \\ & (x_{ij} + x_{hj}) \leq \theta_{ih}^j + 1 \quad i, h \in I, i \neq h, j \in T \\ & \sum_{i \in I5} x_{ij} \geq z_j \quad j \in T \\ & \sum_{i \in I3} x_{ij} \geq 2 w_j \quad j \in T \\ & z_j + w_j = y_j \quad j \in T \\ & z_j + w_j = y_j \quad j \in T \\ & x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad i \in I, j \in T \\ & y_j, z_j, w_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad j \in T \\ & \theta_{ih}^j \in \{0, 1\} \quad i, h \in I, i \neq h, j \in T \end{aligned}$$



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/* Exercise 3, 2016 09 12 */
param n, integer, > 0;
param m, integer, > 0;
set I := 1..n;
set J := 1..m;
set F{i in I};
param p{i in I, j in J}, >= 0;
param c\{i in I\}, >= 0;
param w\{j \text{ in } J\}, >= 0;
param C, >= 0;
var x{i in I, j in J}, binary;
var y{j in J}, binary;
maximize z: sum\{i in I, j in J\} p[i,j]*x[i,j]-sum\{j in J\} w[j]*y[j];
s.t. cap{j in J}: sum{i in I} c[i]*x[i,j] \leftarrow C*y[j];
   one{i in I}: sum{j in J} x[i,j] = 1;
   forbidden{i in I}: sum{j in F[i]} x[i,j] = 0;
solve;
printf "\n";
for{i in I} {
   printf "\n%1d)",i;
  printf{j in J} "%5d ", x[i,j];
printf "n^--z = \frac{n}{n},z;
printf "\n";
data;
param n := 6;
param m := 3;
param C := 50;
param c:= [1] 10 [2] 22 [3] 5 [4] 14 [5] 9 [6] 11;
param w:= [1] 20 [2] 30 [3] 15;
param p : 1 2 3 :=
1 5 2 3
2 6 2 4
3 2 5 1
4 2 3 1
5 4 2 9
6 3 8 4;
set F[1] := 1 ;
set F[2] := 2;
set F[3] := 1 3;
set F[4] := 3;
set F[5] := 3;
set F[6] := 23;
end;
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