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Give a digraph G = (V, A) with arc costs given by the following matrix, find the shortest path from vertex 1 to vertex 7.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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3	1	2	-	4	8	6	1	-
4	1	-	3	-	2	6	7	-
5	1	2	-	-	-	-	7	8
6	-	-	3	4	1	-	7	-
7	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	2
8	-	5	6	4	-	6	7	-

Answer in this table

S	L_i									
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Constant

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Model

$$\min z = S_t \sum_{i \in T} t_i + S_n \sum_{i \in T} n_i + 3S_e \sum_{i \in T} e_i$$

$$\tag{1}$$

$$s.t. t_0 = K (2)$$

$$e_0 = e_1 = e_{m-1} = e_m = n_0 = 0 (3)$$

$$n_i \le t_i \tag{4}$$

$$t_i = t_{i-1} + n_{i-1} i \in T (5)$$

$$H_i t_i + H_e \sum_{j=\max(i-2,1)}^{i} e_j - (H_t - \overline{H_t}) n_i \ge W_i \qquad i \in T$$

$$(6)$$

$$e_i \le Mo_i \qquad \qquad i \in \{f, g, h\} \tag{7}$$

$$\sum_{i \in \{f, g, h\}} o_i \le 1 \tag{8}$$

$$t_i \ge 0 \qquad \qquad i \in T \cup \{0\} \tag{9}$$

$$n_i, e_i \ge 0 i \in T (10)$$

$$\delta \in \{0, 1\} \tag{11}$$

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 $i \in \{f, g, h\}$ (12)

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$$x_1, \dots, x_5 \ge 0$$

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-3	1	0	0	0	-4	-z
-2	1	1	0	0	4	x_3
3	2	0	1	0	10	x_4
1	-1	0	0	1	3	x_5

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0	-1	1	0	2	10	x_3
0	(5)	0	1	-3	1	x_4
1	-1	0	0	1	3	x_1

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	0	1	0	$\frac{1}{5}$	$-\frac{3}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	x_2
	1	0	0	$\frac{\underline{Y}}{5}$	$\frac{2}{5}$	$\frac{16}{5}$	x_1

$$LB = \lceil -27/5 \rceil = -5, x = (16/5, 1/5, 51/5, 0, 0)$$
 branch on x_2

First branch $x_2 \leq 0$

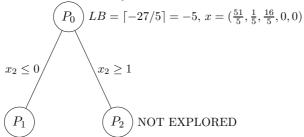
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0	1	0	0	0	1	0	x_6

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0	0	0	$\left(-\frac{1}{5}\right)$	<u>3</u> 5	1	$-\frac{1}{5}$	x_6	

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x = (3, 0, 10, 1, 0, 0), z = -5, integer

Exercise 3 Using the Dijkstra algorithm

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S		L_i						$pred_i$							
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1,2	-		5	3	8	7	-	4				2	1	2	
$1,\!2,\!4$	-		5		5	7	10	4				2		4	
1,2,4,8	-		5		5	7	10					2		4	
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Exercise 3 (value 6) Implement the model below in GLPK or XPRESS

$$\min z = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} (c_{ij} x_{ij} + 50 y_{ij})$$
(13)

s.t.
$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_j x_{ij} \le b_i \qquad i = 1, \dots, n$$
 (14)

$$x_{ij} \le Ly_{ij} \qquad \qquad i = 1, \dots, n, j \in A \tag{15}$$

$$\sum_{i \in B} x_{ij} \le b_i/3 \qquad i = 1, \dots, n \tag{16}$$

$$x_{ij} \ge 0 \text{ integer}$$
 $i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m$ (17)

$$y_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$$
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(19)

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$$(25)$$

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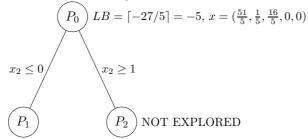
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Exercise 3

```
/* index */
param n integer > 0 ;
param m integer > 0 ;
param K integer > 0 ;
set rows := 1..n;
set cols := 1..m;
/* constants */
set A;
set B;
param alpha {j in cols } >= 0 ;
param b {i in rows} >= 0 ;
param c{i in rows, j in cols } >= 0;
param L >= 0;
/* dvariables */
var x {i in rows, j in cols } >= 0, integer;
var y {i in rows, j in cols } >= 0, binary ;
/* objective function */
minimize z : sum{i in rows, j in cols } (c[i,j] * x[i,j] + 50 * y[i,j]);
/* constraints */
s.t. makeAll { j in cols } : sum{i in rows} x[i,j] = 1 ;
C1 { i in rows} : sum{j in cols} alpha[j]*x[i,j] <= b[i] ;
C2 { i in rows, j in A } : x[i,j] \le L*y[i,j];
C3 { i in rows } : sum{j in B} x[i,j] \le b[i]/3;
solve;
printf \n\Results\nz=\%f\n\n'',z;
for {i in rows, j in cols: x[i,j] > 0}{
printf "x %3d %3d %d\n",i,j,x[i,j];
}
data;
param n:=10;
param m:=8;
set A := 1 \ 3 \ 5;
set B := 2468;
param alpha := [1] 8 [2] 4 [3] 5 [4] 6 [5] 5 [6] 9 [7] 10 [8] 11;
param b := [1] 80 [2] 30 [3] 50 [4] 46 [5] 35 [6] 90 [7] 100 [8] 91 [9] 30 [10]
14 [11] 60 [12] 80 [13] 80 [14] 13 [15] 12 [16] 20 [17] 40 [18] 70 [19] 90 [20] 18;
param c : 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 :=
1 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
2 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
3 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
4 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
5 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
6 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
7 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
8 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
9 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7
10 2 3 2 4 1 4 5 7;
param L := 50;
end;
```