

Mathematical Formulation for Round Robin Match Scheduling

Sets

- T : Set of teams, indexed by i, j , where $i, j \in T$.
- D : Set of days in the tournament, indexed by d .
- S : Set of stadiums, indexed by s .
- Z : Set of zones (E/W/N/S), indexed by z .
- M : Set of matches, where each match m is a tuple (i, j) , $i \neq j$.

Parameters

- $\text{Home}(i)$: Home stadium of team i .
- $\text{Interest}(m)$: Interest level of match m , higher values indicate more interesting matches.
- $\text{Weekend}(d)$: Binary parameter, 1 if d is a weekend, 0 otherwise.
- $\text{Distance}(s_1, s_2)$: Distance between stadiums s_1 and s_2 .
- $\text{StadiumCapacity}(s)$: Capacity of stadium s .
- $\text{CityEvent}(d, s)$: Binary parameter, 1 if there is a big event in the city of stadium s on day d , 0 otherwise.
- $\text{StadiumEvent}(d, s)$: Binary parameter, 1 if there is an event at stadium s on day d , 0 otherwise.
- $\text{Rain}(d)$: Binary parameter, 1 if it rains on day d , 0 otherwise.
- $\text{Zone}(s)$: Zone of stadium s .
- $\text{MinGap}, \text{MaxGap}$: Minimum and maximum gap between two matches for a team.

Decision Variables

- $x_{m,d,s}$: Binary variable, 1 if match m is scheduled on day d at stadium s , 0 otherwise.
- $y_{i,d}$: Binary variable, 1 if team i plays a match on day d , 0 otherwise.
- $z_{i,d}$: Binary variable, 1 if team i has an away match on day d , 0 otherwise.
- $w_{i,d}$: Binary variable, 1 if team i has a home match on day d , 0 otherwise.

Objective Function

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize: } & \sum_{m \in M} \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s \in S} \text{Interest}(m) \cdot x_{m,d,s} \cdot \text{Weekend}(d) \\ & - \lambda_1 \sum_{i \in T} \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s_1, s_2 \in S} \text{Distance}(s_1, s_2) \cdot z_{i,d} \cdot z_{i,d+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where λ_1 is a weight balancing the importance of minimizing travel distances.

Constraints

1. **Each team plays all others twice (home and away):**

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s \in S} x_{m,d,s} &= 1 \quad \forall m \in M, \text{ where team } i \text{ is home.} \\ \sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s \in S} x_{m,d,s} &= 1 \quad \forall m \in M, \text{ where team } j \text{ is home.} \end{aligned}$$

2. **Matches on weekends for high-interest games:**

$$\sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s \in S} x_{m,d,s} \cdot \text{Weekend}(d) \geq \beta \cdot \text{Interest}(m) \quad \forall m \in M.$$

3. **No overlapping of interesting matches:**

$$\sum_{m \in M} x_{m,d,s} \leq 1 \quad \forall d \in D, \text{ where } \text{Interest}(m) > \theta.$$

4. **Match gaps for teams:**

$$\text{MinGap} \leq d_2 - d_1 \leq \text{MaxGap} \quad \forall d_1, d_2 \in D, \forall i \in T.$$

5. **Minimize consecutive away matches:**

$$z_{i,d} + z_{i,d+1} \leq 1 \quad \forall d \in D, \forall i \in T.$$

6. **Home/away match balance:**

$$w_{i,d} + z_{i,d} \leq 1 \quad \forall d \in D, \forall i \in T.$$

7. Avoid matches on restricted days:

$$x_{m,d,s} = 0 \quad \text{if CityEvent}(d, s) = 1 \text{ or StadiumEvent}(d, s) = 1.$$

8. Match relocation due to rain:

$$x_{m,d+1,s} \geq x_{m,d,s} \cdot \text{Rain}(d) \quad \forall m \in M, \forall d \in D.$$

9. Stadium capacity for smaller matches:

$$x_{m,d,s} \cdot \text{Interest}(m) \leq \text{StadiumCapacity}(s) \quad \forall m \in M, \forall s \in S.$$

10. Zone fairness:

$$\sum_{d \in D} \sum_{s \in S: \text{Zone}(s)=z} x_{m,d,s} \text{ is balanced across zones.}$$

11. Day and night match balance:

$$\sum_{d \in D: \text{DayMatch}(d)} y_{i,d} \approx \sum_{d \in D: \text{NightMatch}(d)} y_{i,d} \quad \forall i \in T.$$

Assumptions

- All matches can be rescheduled to the next day if rain occurs.
- Interest levels of matches are pre-determined and quantifiable.
- Stadiums are assigned to zones, and matches are distributed equitably across zones.
- Travel distances between stadiums are known and constant.
- MinGap and MaxGap values are set based on league regulations.
- Day and night matches are clearly defined for all days in D .