


# SOLUTION KEY

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Instruction/Notes: Attempt all questions. Programmable calculators are not allowed.  
The answer sheet is NOT required, Paper must be solved in the given space on the question paper.

**QUESTION # 1:** Given the LP problem: (10)

Maximize:  $Z = 2X_1 + 1.5X_2$

Subject to:

$3X_1 + 4X_2 \leq 1000$  (Cast Irons Constraint)

$6X_1 + 3X_2 \leq 1200$  (Labor Hours Const.)

$X_1 \leq 180$  (Model-A Production Cont.)

$X_1, X_2 \geq 0$

and the following Excel Solver output

### Adjustable Cells

Cell	Name	Final Value	Reduced Cost	Objective Coefficient	Allowable Increase	Allowable Decrease
\$G\$6	Quantity Produced: Model-A	120	0	2	1	0.875
\$H\$6	Quantity Produced: Model-B	160	0	1.5	1.166666667	0.5

### Constraints

Cell	Name	Final Value	Shadow Price	Constraint R.H. Side	Allowable Increase	Allowable Decrease
\$I\$9	Cast Irons: TOTAL	1000	0.2	1000	600	300
\$I\$10	Labor Hour: TOTAL	1200	0.233333333	1200	225	450
\$I\$11	Model-A Production: TOTAL	120	0	180	1E+30	60

Answer the following questions:

1. What is the optimal solution and optimal value for the problem?

Optimal Solution :

$$x_1 = 120$$

$$x_2 = 160$$

Optimal Value :

$$Z = 2 * x_1 + 1.5 * x_2 = 2 * 120 + 1.5 * 160 \\ = 240 + 240 = 480$$

2. What is the impact on the optimal solution and optimal value if we decrease the cost coefficient  $C_1=2$  to 1.5? Why?

As allowable decrease in  $C_1$  is 0.875, we can decrease it upto  $(2 - 0.875 = 1.125)$   
 $1.125 - 50$  2 to 1.5 decrease is feasible.

1. optimum solution will be same (still producing same amount of  $x_1$  &  $x_2$ ).

2. optimum value is changed because coefficient of  $x_1$  is decreased from 2 to 1.5.

New optimal value :

$$Z = 1.5 * 120 + 1.5 * 160 \\ = 180 + 240 = 420$$

3. What is the shadow price for the Cast Iron (RHS # 1)? How do you interpret it?

$$\text{Shadow Price of Cast Iron} = 0.2$$

Shadow price is the unit worth of resource (constraint 1 in this case)

If we increase/decrease in R.H.S by 1 unit, Z will increase/decrease by 0.20.

4. What is the shadow price for the Model-A Production (RHS # 3)? How do you interpret it?

$$\text{Shadow Price for Model-A production} = 0$$

means resource 3 is not fully utilized, some slack amount of this resource is available (Associated constraint is non-binding).

If we want to add some additional amount, we do not need to pay for it. (we already have this resource)

5. What is the impact on the optimal value if we decrease the right-hand side of constraint-1 (Cast Iron) by 30?

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{R.H.S of resource 1} = 1000 \\ \text{allowable decrease} = 300 \end{array} \right\} \text{ we can decrease it upto } (1000 - 300) 700.$$

As shadow price/unit worth of resource 1 is 0.2.

If we decrease it by 30 units,

$$\text{So, } 30 \times 0.2 = 6$$

New optimal value will be 480

$$Z = 480 - 6 = 474$$

QUESTION # 2: Consider the transportation problem shown below.

(10)

Initial Start: Use the "Northwest Corner Rule" to form an initial basis for this problem.

	Moscow	Cape Town	Sydney	
Hamburg	4 (100)	10	6	1000
Minneapolis	8 (100)	16 (200)	6 (0)	3000
Tokyo	14	18	10 (200)	2000
	2000	2000	2000	



### Reduced Shipping Costs:

- Calculate the value of  $v_1$  below.
- Calculate the reduced cost for cell Minneapolis-Cape Town.  
(Note that reduced costs for other non-basic cells are shown in brackets [ ] below.)

$$u_1 + v_1 = 4$$

$$0 + v_1 = 4$$

$v_1 = 4$

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$$C_{22} - u_2 - v_2 =$$

$$16 - 4 - 10 = 2$$

	Moscow	Cape Town	Sydney	
Hamburg	100     4	[0]     10	[4]     6	$u_1 = 0$
Minneapolis	100     8	[2]     16	200     6	$u_2 = 4$
Tokyo	[2]     14	200     18	0     10	$u_3 = 8$

$v_1 = 4 \quad v_2 = 10 \quad v_3 = 2$

- Assuming that this is a cost minimization problem, which non-basic route would you next bring into the basis (ship through) to further reduce costs? Briefly explain.

~~As  $m + n - 1 = 3 + 3 - 1 = 5$~~   
~~and there are basic cells are 4.~~  
~~the above solution is degenerate.~~  
~~non-basic cell as basic with zero solution value and then~~

As reduced costs of all non-basic cells are positive,  
so above solution is optimal.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{11} &= 100 \\
 x_{21} &= 100 \\
 x_{23} &= 200 \\
 x_{32} &= 200 \\
 x_{33} &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

optimal  $z$  :

$$\begin{aligned}
 z &= 4 \times 100 + 8 \times 100 + 6 \times 200 + 18 \times 200 + 0 \times 10 \\
 &= 400 + 800 + 1200 + 3600 \\
 &= 6000
 \end{aligned}$$