

IE 203 PS 3

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Q1. Project Selection via Branch-and-Bound

A company has a capital budget of **\$20 million** for the upcoming fiscal year. The portfolio management team has identified **5 candidate projects**. Each project generates an expected total revenue if selected and requires a one-time investment. A project is either fully undertaken ($x_i = 1$) or not undertaken ($x_i = 0$).

Project	Description	Revenue r_i (\$M)	Cost c_i (\$M)
P_1	Factory Expansion	25	14
P_2	Software Platform	16	2
P_3	Logistics Hub	16	9
P_4	Regional Office	20	8
P_5	Marketing Campaign	9	4

Table 1: Candidate projects with expected revenues and costs.

- Formulate this problem as a **0–1 Integer Programming** model that maximises total profit subject to the budget constraint.
- Solve the model using the **Branch-and-Bound** (B&B) algorithm.