Common Mistakes When Creating Constraints

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Dependent Demand Constraint

Context

- Production Plan
- Planning for 2 products (A, and B)
- Planning for production over 3 months (Jan Mar)
- Product A is used as an input for production of product B

Constraint Problem

• For each unit of B, we must also have at least 3 units of A

Dependent Demand Constraint

For each unit of B, we must also have at least 3 units of A

- 3B?A
- 3(2)?A
- 6?A

Common Mistake:

- B?3A
- 3B = A

```
from pulp import *
demand = \{'A':[0,0,0],'B':[8,7,6]\}
costs = \{'A':[20,17,18],'B':[15,16,15]\}
# Initialize Model
model = LpProblem("Aggregate Production Planning", LpMinimize)
# Define Variables
time = [0, 1, 2]
prod = ['A', 'B']
X = LpVariable.dicts("prod", [(p, t) for p in prod for t in time],
                     lowBound=0, cat="Integer")
# Define Objective
model += lpSum([costs[p][t] * X[(p, t)] for p in prod for t in time])
# Define Constraint So Production is >= Demand
for p in prod:
    for t in time:
        model += X[(p, t)] >= demand[p][t]
```

Code Example Continued

```
for t in time:
   model += 3*X[('B',t)] <= X[('A',t)]</pre>
```

Extended Constraint

For each unit of B, we must also have at least 3 units of A and account for direct to customer sells of A.

• $3B + Demand_A ? A$

Combination Constraint

Context

- Warehouse distribution plan
- 2 warehouses (WH1, and WH2)
- We ship 2 products (A, and B) from each warehouse
- Warehouse WH1 is small and can either ship 12 A products per a week or 15 B products per a week

Constraint Problem

What combinations of A, or B can be shipped in 4 weeks?

• 1 week only: (1/12)A + (1/15)B?1

Correct Form

- (1/12)A + (1/15)B?4
- (1/12)(32) + (1/15)(20)?4
- (32/12) + (20/15)?4
- 4?4

Common Mistakes

- 12A + 15B?4
- (1/12)A + (1/15)B = 4

```
from pulp import *
import pandas as pd
demand = pd.read_csv("Warehouse_Constraint_Demand.csv",
                  index_col=['Product'])
costs = pd.read_csv("Warehouse_Constraint_Cost.csv",
                  index_col=['WH','Product'])
# Initialize Model
model = LpProblem("Distribution Planning", LpMinimize)
# Define Variables
wh = ['W1', 'W2']
prod = ['A', 'B']
cust = ['C1', 'C2', 'C3', 'C4']
X = LpVariable.dicts("ship",
                     [(w, p, c) for c in cust for p in prod for w in wh],
                     lowBound=0, cat="Integer")
# Define Objective
model += lpSum([X[(w, p, c)]*costs.loc[(w, p), c]
               for c in cust for p in prod for w in wh])
# Define Constraint So Demand Equals Total Shipments
for c in cust:
    for p in prod:
        model += lpSum([X[(w, p, c)] for w in wh]) == demand.loc[p, c]
```

Code Example Continued

Constraint

```
model += ((1/12) * lpSum([X['W1', 'A', c] for c in cust])
+ (1/15) * lpSum([X['W1', 'B', c] for c in cust])) <= 4
```

Extend Constraint

Warehouse WH1 is small and either ship 12 A products per a week, 15 B products per a week, or 5 C products per a week. What combinations of A, B, or C can be shipped in 4 weeks?

• (1/12)A + (1/15)B + (1/5)C?4

Summary

- Common Mistakes
 - Dependent constraint
 - Combination selection constraint
- How to extend constraints
- Check constraint by plugging in a value

Let's Practice

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Capacitated Plant Location Case Study Part 2

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Capacitated Plant Location Model

Modeling

- Production at regional facilities
 - Two plant sizes (low / high)
- Exporting production to other regions
- Production facilities open / close



Decision Variables

What we can control:

- x_{ij} = quantity produced at location *i* and shipped to *j*
- $y_{is} = 1$ if the plant at location *i* of capacity *s* is open, 0 if closed
 - s = low or high capacity plant

Constraints

- Total Production = Total Demand
 - $\circ \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{ij} = D_j \text{ for } j = 1, ..., m$
 - n = number of production facilities
 - m = number of markets or regional demand points

Constraints

- Total Production? Total Production Capacity
 - $\circ \quad \sum_{j=1}^{m} \mathsf{x}_{\mathrm{ij}} ? \sum_{s=1} \mathsf{K}_{\mathrm{is}} \mathsf{y}_{\mathrm{is}}$
 - K_{is} = potential production capacity of plant *i* of size *s*

```
from pulp import *
# Initialize Class
model = LpProblem("Capacitated Plant Location Model", LpMinimize)
# Define Decision Variables
loc = ['A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E']
size = ['Low_Cap', 'High_Cap']
x = LpVariable.dicts("production_",
                     [(i,j) for i in loc for j in loc],
                     lowBound=0, upBound=None, cat='Continuous')
y = LpVariable.dicts("plant_",
                         [(i,s) for s in size for i in loc], cat='Binary')
# Define Objective Function
model += (lpSum([fix_cost.loc[i,s]*y[(i,s)] for s in size for i in loc])
         + lpSum([var_cost.loc[i,j]*x[(i,j)] for i in loc for j in loc]))
# Define the Constraints
for j in loc:
  model += lpSum([x[(i, j)] for i in loc]) == demand.loc[j,'Dmd']
for i in loc:
  model += lpSum([x[(i, j)] for j in loc]) <= lpSum([cap.loc[i,s]*y[(i,s)])
                                                       for s in size])
```

Summary

Capacitated Plant Location Model:

- Constraints
 - Total Production = Total Demand
 - Total Production ? Total Production Capacity

Review Time

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Solve the PuLP Model

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Common Modeling Process for PuLP

- 1. Initialize Model
- 2. Define Decision Variables
- 3. Define the Objective Function
- 4. Define the Constraints
- 5. Solve Model
 - call the solve method
 - check the status of the solution
 - print optimized decision variables
 - print optimized objective function

Solve Model - Solve Method

.solve(solver=None)

• solver = Optional: the specific solver to be used, defaults to the default solver.

```
# Initialize, Define Decision Vars., Objective Function, and Constraints
from pulp import *
import pandas as pd
model = LpProblem("Minimize Transportation Costs", LpMinimize)
cust = ['A', 'B', 'C']
warehouse = ['W1','W2']
demand = \{'A': 1500, 'B': 900, 'C': 800\}
costs = \{('W1', 'A'): 232, ('W1', 'B'): 255, ('W1', 'C'): 264,
         ('W2','A'): 255, ('W2','B'): 233, ('W2','C'): 250}
ship = LpVariable.dicts("s_", [(w,c) for w in warehouse for c in cust],
                        lowBound=0, cat='Integer')
model += lpSum([costs[(w, c)] * ship[(w, c)]
                for w in warehouse for c in cust])
for c in cust:
    model += lpSum([ship[(w, c)] for w in warehouse]) == demand[c]
# Solve Model
model.solve()
```

Solve Model - Status Of the Solution

LpStatus[model.status]

- Not Solved: The status prior to solving the problem.
- Optimal: An optimal solution has been found.
- Infeasible: There are no feasible solutions (e.g. if you set the constraints $x \le 1$ and $x \ge 2$).
- Unbounded: The object function is not bounded, maximizing or minimizing the objective will tend towards infinity (e.g. if the only constraint was $x \ge 3$).
- Undefined: The optimal solution may exist but may not have been found.

Keen, Ben Alex. "Linear Programming with Python and PuLP - Part 2." *Ben Alex Keen*, 1 Apr. 2016, benalexkeen.com/linear-programming-with-python-and-pulp-part-2/.

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for c in cust:
    model += lpSum([ship[(w, c)] for w in warehouse]) == demand[c]
# Solve Model
model.solve()
print("Status:", LpStatus[model.status])
```

Status: Optimal



Print variables to standard output:

```
for v in model.variables():
    print(v.name, "=", v.varValue)
```

Pandas data structure:

- loop model variables
- store values in a pandas DataFrame

Output:

Solve Model - Optimized Objective Function

Print the value of optimized objective function:

```
print("Objective = ", value(model.objective))
```

```
# Solve Model
model.solve()
print(pulp.LpStatus[model.status])
output = []
for w in warehouse:
    t = [ship[(w,c)].varValue for c in cust]
    output.append(t)
opd = pd.DataFrame.from_records(output, index=warehouse, columns=cust)
print(opd)
print("Objective = ", value(model.objective))
```

Output:

Summary

Solve Model

- Call the solve method
- Check the status of the solution
- Print values of decision variables
- Print value of objective function

Let's Practice!

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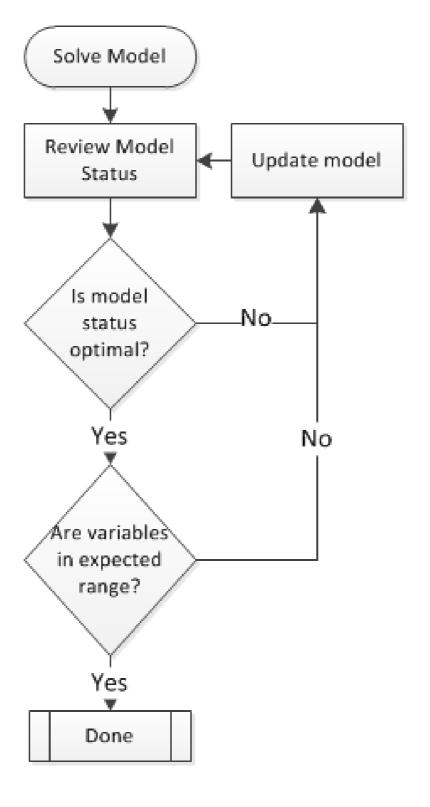
Sanity Checking the Solution

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Check the Model Status

- Infeasible: There are no feasible solutions.
 - Review the constraints
- **Unbounded:** The object function is not bounded, maximizing or minimizing the objective will tend towards infinity.
 - Review the objective function
- Undefined: The optimal solution may exist but may not have been found.
 - Maybe the best available solution
 - Review how you are modeling the problem

Check If Results Are Within Expectations

Are the decision variables and value of objective within expected range?

- Based on knowledge / understanding of problem
- If "Yes", then you have a valid solution
- If "No", then review:
 - Python code
 - Data
 - Write the LP File

Write LP

writeLP(filename)

• filename = The name of the file to be created

Shows:

- Name of problem
- Objective function and if minimizing or maximizing
- Constraints, including constraints on Decision Variables called Bounds
- Decision variables

```
\* Aggregate Production Planning *\
Minimize
OBJ: 20 prod_('A',_0) + 17 prod_('A',_1) + 18 prod_('A',_2)
 + 15 prod_('B',_0) + 16 prod_('B',_1) + 15 prod_('B',_2)
Subject To
_C1: prod_('A',_0) >= 0
_C2: prod_('A',_1) >= 0
_C3: prod_('A',_2) >= 0
_C4: prod_('B',_0) >= 8
_C5: prod_('B',_1) >= 7
_C6: prod_('B',_2) >= 6
Bounds
0 <= prod_('A',_0)</pre>
0 <= prod_('A',_1)</pre>
0 <= prod_('A',_2)</pre>
0 <= prod_('B',_0)</pre>
0 <= prod_('B',_1)</pre>
0 <= prod_('B',_2)</pre>
Generals
prod_('A',_0)
prod_('A',_1)
prod_('A',_2)
prod_('B',_0)
prod_('B',_1)
prod_('B',_2)
```

Summary

Strategy for Sanity Checking

- Check the model status
- Check decision variables and objective inside expected range
- Use writeLP if needed

Practice Time!

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