(Touché Young) Touché Young has eight auditors. Each can work up to 160 hours during the next month, during which time six projects must be completed. The hours required for each project and the amounts each auditor can be billed for each project are given in the file **P05_49.xlsx**. Note that more than one auditor can work on a given project, in which case their hours add to the total for the project. Determine how to maximize total billings during the next month.

Auditor data						
Amount billed per hour						
Auditor\Project	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	\$160	\$130	\$130	\$190	\$160	\$150
2	\$170	\$140	\$170	\$160	\$160	\$180
3	\$130	\$170	\$160	\$170	\$160	\$160
4	\$180	\$190	\$130	\$190	\$170	\$190
5	\$130	\$140	\$170	\$130	\$130	\$170
6	\$140	\$160	\$170	\$150	\$150	\$170
7	\$150	\$180	\$140	\$130	\$140	\$140
8	\$150	\$170	\$190	\$160	\$120	\$140
Project	1	2	3	4	5	6
Hours required	180	200	200	170	150	190



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Discussion: -

This is like the earlier problems and our objective is to increase profit for Touché Young's. We must make sure that associate does not work more than 160 hours and assign auditors to projects in such a way that they can complete the project. Total billed amount is sum-product of the hourly billing amount and hours worked by each auditor to each project. So, we can go for Number of hours auditor worked on each project as our decision variable.

Mathematical Model: -

Parameters (Inputs):

 $i \in 1,2,...8$ (i: Index for auditors) $j \in 1,2,...6$ (j: Index for projects)

 A_{ij} : Hourly billing amount of auditor i working for project j

 D_i : Hours required to complete project j

M: Maximum hours each auditor can work; M = 160

Decision Variables:

 x_{ij} : Number of hours auditor i worked on project j

Objective:

Maximize total profit =
$$\sum_{j=1}^{6} \sum_{i=1}^{8} (x_{ij} * A_{ij})$$

Constraints:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{6} x_{ij} \leq M \; ; \; \; for \; i \; \epsilon \{1,2,..8\} \qquad \qquad (1) \; Auditors \; working \; hours \; constraint$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{8} x_{ij} \geq D_j \; ; \; \; for \; j \; \epsilon \{1,2,..6\} \qquad \qquad (2) \; Hours \; required \; to \; complete \; each \; project$$

Our model will not go for any negative decision values as it is maximization problem, so no need to define non-negative constraint in the model.

Excel Implementation: Please find the attached spreadsheet for solution.



							Inputs									
Auditor data							Decision variables	5		Tot	al					
							Calculated Variab	les		Reve	nue	227100				
Amount billed per hour							Constraints									
							Objective									
Auditor\Project	1	2	3	4	5	6	Auditor\Projec	t 1	2	3	4	5	6			
1	\$160	\$130	\$130	\$190	\$160	\$150	1	0	0	0	160	0	0	160	<= 1	160
2	\$170	\$140	\$170	\$160	\$160	\$180	2	160	0	0	0	0	0	160	<= [16
3	\$130	\$170	\$160	\$170	\$160	\$160	3	0	10	0	0	150	0	160	<= [16
4	\$180	\$190	\$130	\$190	\$170	\$190	4	20	30	0	10	0	100	160	<= [16
5	\$130	\$140	\$170	\$130	\$130	\$170	5	0	0	0	0	0	160	160	<= [16
6	\$140	\$160	\$170	\$150	\$150	\$170	6	0	0	40	0	0	120	160	<= 1	16
7	\$150	\$180	\$140	\$130	\$140	\$140	7	0	160	0	0	0	0	160	<= 1	16
8	\$150	\$170	\$190	\$160	\$120	\$140	8	0	0	160	0	0	0	160	<= 1	16
Project	1	2	3	4	5	6		1	2	3	4	5	6			
Hours required	180	200	200	170	150	190	>=	180	200	200	170	150	380			