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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Overview

Part of the Xpress-MP software suite, the Xpress-Optimizer is an extremely versatile and powerful tool which is well-suited to a broad range of optimization problems. Accessible both directly via a Console or graphical interface, or by means of library functions, the Optimizer combines ease of use with speed and flexibility for the best results. A broad range of access routines and optimization algorithms, employing the best techniques available allows the user to tackle problems previously too large to solve within a reasonable time span. Either as a standalone program or handling tasks within users' own programs, the Xpress-Optimizer opens a world of possibilities.

For users of Console Xpress, the 'Console Mode' encompasses a number of commands for using the Optimizer's core functionality. Models may be imported from either MPS or LP format files, optimized using any of the algorithms supported by the Optimizer and the solution viewed in a number of ways. Further control may be exerted over the optimization process by the setting of a number of controls which influence various aspects of the algorithms.

Users of the Xpress-MP Optimizer library enjoy all the functionality of the Console Mode, with additional access to an 'Advanced Mode'. This extension of the interface provides users with access to the internal data structures of the Optimizer and greater matrix management. The inclusion of a Cut Manager allowing the addition of cutting planes provides users with the possibility of 'tailor-made' strategies for efficiently solving mixed integer problems in individual models.

The main benefit of the library, however, is the ability to embed all Optimizer calls within a user's own program, automating much of the above and providing the possibility of harnessing the power of the Xpress-Optimizer within one's own applications. To this end the set of library functions are available for a number of common languages including C, Fortran, Java and Visual Basic. The convention employed throughout will be to give all descriptions in terms of the C structure, although differences and short examples for other languages may be found in the Xpress-MP Getting Started manual.

1.2 The Xpress-Optimizer

The Xpress-Optimizer is a Linear and Integer Programming optimizer which has been carefully programmed to take full advantage of matrix structure. The Integer Programming component has the ability to handle a variety of global entities, i.e. objects which must satisfy some nonlinear properties in an acceptable solution. We call such a solution an integer solution, although this nomenclature is not always strictly accurate.

The Optimizer can read in a problem in one of three ways:

• in MPS format from a matrix file;

- in a binary form (the Binary Interface Format created by the Xpress-Modeler);
- in LP format from a matrix file.

It will then perform linear optimization by the primal or dual simplex method, or the Newton barrier method if licensed. The Optimizer may be instructed to go on to search for integer solutions. Ranging (sensitivity analysis) may also be performed. For interfacing with spreadsheets or database programs, ASCII representations of the solution may be produced.

The Optimizer may also save intermediate solutions in the form of basis files. If an optimal linear solution has been found to one problem and the status of the variables has been stored in a basis file, then the simplex LP solution path for a similar model may be shortened by starting the process from the same point, reading in the basis file just obtained.

1.3 Integer Programming Considerations

Though many systems can be modeled accurately as Linear Programs, there are situations where discreteness is central to the decision-making problem. It appears that there are three major areas where such nonlinear facilities are required:

- when entities must inherently be selected from a discrete set;
- when modeling logical conditions;
- when finding the global optimum over functions.

Problems such as these can be modeled using any of Xpress-Mosel, Xpress-BCL or the Xpress-Modeler. If enabled by your license, the Optimizer can then be used to find the global optimum. Usually the underlying structure is that of a Linear Program, but optimization may be used successfully when the nonlinearities are separable into functions of just a few variables.

The Xpress-MP suite supports the following global entities:

Binary variables (BV) – decision variables that must take either the value 0 or the value 1, sometimes called 0/1 variables;

Integer variables (UI) – decision variables that must take on integer values. Some upper limit must be specified;

Partial integer variables (PI) – decision variables that must take integer values below a specified limit but can take any value above that limit;

Semi-continuous variables (SC) – decision variables that must take on either the value 0, or any value in a range whose lower an upper limits are specified. SCs help model situations where, if a variable is to be used at all, it has to be at some minimum level;

Semi-continuous integer variables (SI) – decision variables that must take either the value 0, or any integer value in a range whose lower and upper limits are specified;

Special ordered sets of type one (SOS1) – an ordered set of non-negative variables of which at most one can take a nonzero value;

Special ordered sets of type two (SOS2) – an ordered set of non-negative variables of which at most two can be nonzero, and if two are nonzero, they must be consecutive in their ordering.

The Optimizer employs a *Branch and Bound* search to locate and ensure optimality of a solution. It has a set of default strategies which have been found to work well on most problems. However, the user should note that sophistication in modeling is important in large scale MIP

work. It has always been our experience that careful experimentation with realistic but small scale examples pays off when moving to large production versions of the models.

The special Integer Programming features of the Optimizer (except presolving) are used after solving the underlying Linear Programming problem to optimality. It is only following this that the nonlinearities and discreteness that have been specified in the input data are recognized. Examples of using the global search facilities of the Optimizer for the various interfaces may be found in Xpress-MP Getting Started manual and it is assumed that you have read the relevant sections of that guide before using the reference manuals.

1.4 Running the Xpress-Optimizer

1.4.1 Initialization

To be able to run, the Optimizer requires a valid licence file, <code>xpauth.ini</code>. This may be configured for a specific machine, ethernet address or an authorized dongle. If the license file or dongle is missing, a message will be displayed describing the problem and the Optimizer will exit. Under Windows the Optimizer looks for the license file in the directory of the executables; under Unix the directory pointed to by the <code>XPRESS</code> environment variable is searched. Note that the license file should always be kept in the same directory as the <code>Xpress-MP DLL xprl.dll</code>, which is installed by the default into the <code>c:\XpressMP\bin</code> folder.

Following this, the Optimizer will attempt to determine the problem name. If none is given, users of Console Xpress will be prompted for one and if this request is ignored a default problem name of \$\$\$\$\$\$ will be assumed. For problem names specified by the user, only the (optional) drive and path and the (required) filename are noted, any extension being ignored.

The problem name, problem_name, is used as a base for all files generated by the Optimizer, with separate files distinguished by different extensions. Matrix input files are problem_name.mat, problem_name.mps, problem_name.lp, problem_name.mat.gz, problem_name.mps.gz and problem_name.lp.gz where files with the .gz extension are compressed in gzip format.

1.4.2 Console Xpress Options

For Console Xpress users, the syntax for calling the Optimizer is as follows:

C:\>optimizer [problem_name] [@filename]

The problem name may optionally be specified on the command line when the Optimizer is invoked, but if omitted the problem name will be prompted for as described above. The optional second argument allows you to specify a text file from which the optimizer console input will be read (as if they had been typed interactively).

The Optimizer console is an interactive command line interface to the library. The features of the Optimizer console include improved online help, auto- completion of command names, and command prompt integration. Type "help commands" to get a list of available commands, and then try, e.g., "help minim" for help on a specific command. Some other useful commands are "help attributes", "help controls", or just "help".

To use the auto-completion feature, type the first part of an optimizer command name and press the tab key, for example "min<tab>" or "mat<tab>". Once you have finished typing the command name portion of your input line, the optimizer console will auto-complete file names. For example, if you have a matrix named hpw15, try "readprob h<tab>".

The console also provides convenient access to the operating system's shell commands. For example, try typing "dir" (or "ls" under Unix). You can also use the "cd" command to change the working directory, which will be indicated in the prompt:

[optimizer bin] cd \
[optimizer C:\]

When started, the Optimizer console will attempt to read in an initialization file called optimizer.ini located in the current working directory. This is an ASCII file which may contain any statements or commands which you wish to use by default in any run of the Optimizer. If the initialization file does not exist or cannot be found, the Optimizer will be initialized with its own built-in defaults.

The Optimizer console for 2006A onwards is implemented as a TCL shell. Users should be aware that it is possible therefore to type incorrect input which is interpreted as valid TCL syntax rather than as an error. Users of releases prior to 2006A should consult the release notes for a list of incompatibilities between old and new consoles.

1.4.3 Interrupting an Optimization Run in Console Xpress

Console Xpress users of the Optimizer may interrupt the processing of any command in a graceful way by typing CTRL-C, following which the Optimizer will return to its > prompt. If optimization has been interrupted in this way, any solution process will stop at the first 'safe' place before returning to the prompt. Iterations may be resumed at a later point by re-typing the interrupted command.

Note that if you have typed ahead, the CTRL-C mechanism may fail under some operating systems.

1.4.4 Termination

The Optimizer can terminate in one of three possible ways:

- (a) normally, with no errors;
- (b) with an error status indicating the solution status;
- (c) immediately upon detection of a fatal error.

A normal termination means that the Optimizer has been terminated successfully, possibly with the QUIT or STOP command. The problem has not necessarily been solved to optimality since this will depend on the commands issued and whether any non-fatal errors occurred.

If Console Xpress users terminate the Optimizer with the STOP command, then a nonzero return code indicates the solution status of the problem. A complete list of these return codes is provided in Chapter 9.

A fatal error stops the Optimizer immediately. Such errors usually arise from files being unavailable or disks being full, but may occur if available memory is exhausted.

1.5 Structure of this Manual

The main body of the manual is essentially organized into two parts. It begins in Chapter 2 with a brief overview of common Optimizer usage, introducing the various routines available and setting them in the context in which they are very often used. This is followed in Chapter 3 with a brief overview of the sorts of problems which may arise during the optimization process and the kind of solution that might be expected from a problem. Chapter 4 provides a description of some of the more-frequently used controls along with some ideas of how they may be used to enhance the solution process. Finally, Chapter 5 details some more advanced topics in Optimizer usage.

Following the first five chapters, the remainder forms the main reference section of the manual. Chapter 6 details all functions in both the Console and Advanced Modes alphabetically.

Chapters 7 and 8 then provide a reference for the various controls and attributes, followed by a list of Optimizer error and return codes in Chapter 9. A description of several of the file formats is provided in Appendix A.

1.6 Conventions Used

Throughout the manual standard typographic conventions have been used, representing computer code fragments with a fixed width font, whilst equations and equation variables appear in *italic type*. Where several possibilities exist for the library functions, those with C syntax have been used, and C style conventions have been used for structures such as arrays etc. Console Mode routines which have both a Console and library equivalent are usually described in both forms, with the Console command bracketed. In sections which are irrelevant for Console users, only the library form is given. For differences in syntax between the Console and Library versions of commands and controls, see the introduction to Chapter 6. Where appropriate, the following have also been employed:

- square brackets [...] contain optional material;
- curly brackets {...} contain optional material, of which one must be chosen;
- entities in *italics* which appear in expressions stand for meta-variables. The description following the meta-variable describes how it is to be used;
- the symbol CTRL followed by a letter means 'hold down the CTRL key and type the letter'. The CTRL or Control key is usually at the bottom left hand corner of the keyboard;

Chapter 2

Problem-Solving with Xpress-MP

2.1 Overview

A wide range of routines are available for interacting with the Xpress-Optimizer, providing a handle on its core functionality through Console Mode commands, or more extensive access to its internal data structures through the Advanced Mode routines. Whilst the users of the Xpress-Optimizer are diverse and the range of problems studied by them is wide, most optimization tasks adhere to a fairly standard template, providing a "natural grouping" of the routines. A discussion of this forms the subject matter for this chapter.

The general layout of an optimization process is given in Figure 2.1. Generally, a user goes through five main processes in solving a problem. The Optimizer must first be initialized, preparing it to handle a problem. The problem matrix is then read into memory before one of the optimization routines is called to solve it. The solution to the problem may be viewed and finally the user may exit the Optimizer. This structure may be more complex if the Optimizer's capability for handling multiple problems is used, but it serves to structure its commands.

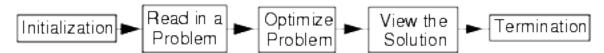


Figure 2.1: Optimizing a Problem

2.2 Initialization and Termination

2.2.1 The Optimizer

The first stage in running the Optimizer is the initialization process. In Console Xpress, this process is run automatically, but for library users, the system must be initialized manually by calling XPRSinit before any of the other library routines. This command checks for any necessary libraries, and runs security checks to determine licence information about your Xpress-MP installation. Only once this has completed can any of the other routines be run.

When all calls to the Optimizer routines have completed at the end of your session, the termination stage is entered. At this point, any memory used by the Optimizer is released for other processes and any files still open for reading or writing are closed. Again, this process is handled automatically for Console Xpress users when the QUIT or STOP command is given. Library users must call the routine XPRSfree to perform the equivalent tasks.

2.2.2 The Problem Environment

For library users, enjoying the benefits of a multiple problem environment, once the Optimizer has been initialized and before a problem matrix can be read in, a problem environment must

be created using the XPRScreateprob routine. The user may create any number of these (license permitting) and may optimize, store and work on several such at any given time, referring to them by passing the problem pointer as the first argument to each subsequent function call. When an environment is no longer needed, it can be removed using XPRSdestroyprob. It is good practice to remove all such environments before calling XPRSfree.

2.2.3 Optimizer Output

For Console Xpress users, output is sent both directly to the screen and to a log file. Library users have greater flexibility with this. Using the command XPRSsetlogfile, a log file can be specified to catch output associated to a particular problem. Alternatively, an output callback function may be employed, defined by the XPRSsetcbmessage command, to catch any output and process it directly within the application. See 5.3 for details.

2.3 Reading in a Problem

Once initialized, the Optimizer will accept a problem for optimization. Problems may be read into the Optimizer data structures in essentially two ways. The simplest of these is to read a matrix from an MPS or LP file using XPRSreadprob (READPROB), although library users can also load problems from their data structures using XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqp, XPRSloadglobal, or XPRSloadqglobal. MPS names may then be added to the model using XPRSaddnames. Once the problem has been loaded, any subsequent call to one of these input routines will overwrite it.

It is important to note that for MIP problems presolve will take a copy of the matrix and modify it. The original matrix may be retrieved by calling XPRSpostsolve (POSTSOLVE). If the matrix is in the original state then XPRSpostsolve (POSTSOLVE) will return without doing anything.

2.4 Solving the Problem

Having loaded the problem, the user may (attempt to) find a solution to it.

The XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) and XPRSminim (MINIM) commands allow for maximization and minimization of LP, QP and mixed integer (MIP) problems, whilst the command XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) may be used to find the solution of MIP problems once the initial LP relaxation has been solved. Additionally, ranging may be performed using XPRSrange (RANGE).

A number of other possibilities are also available to users. The simplex LP optimization process may be accelerated by starting with an optimal basis from a previous, similar problem. Such bases may be saved and restored using the XPRSwritebasis (WRITEBASIS) and XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS) functions, or input from the user's own data structures using XPRSloadbasis. The user may additionally specify directives to influence the global search, which may be loaded from file using XPRSreaddirs (READDIRS). The format for the directives file is described in A. Other more advanced possibilities include the use of callback functions and customization of the cut manager, both of which are discussed in 5.

2.5 Solving Quadratically Constrained Quadratic Problems

A quadratically constrained quadratic program (QCQP) is an extension to the linear programming problem where the constraints may also include second order polynomials.

A QCQP problem may be written as

minimize:
$$c_1x_1 + ... + c_nx_n + x^TQ_0x$$

subject to: $a_{11}x_1 + ... + a_{1n}x_n + x^TQ_1x$ $\leq b_1$
...
 $a_{m1}x_1 + ... + a_{mn}x_n + x^TQ_mx$ $\leq b_m$
 $l_1 \leq x_1 \leq u_1, ..., l_n \leq x_n \leq u_n$

where any of the lower or upper bounds I_i or u_i may be infinite.

2.5.1 Algebraic and matrix form

Each second order polynomial can be expressed as x^tQx where Q is an appropriate symmetric matrix: the quadratic expressions are generally either given in the algebraic form

$$a_{11}x_1^2 + 2a_{12}x_1x_2 + 2a_{13}x_1x_3 + \dots + a_{22}x_2^2 + 2a_{23}x_2x_3 + \dots$$

like in LP files, or in the matrix form

 $x^{T}Qx$ where

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{11} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & & & \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

like in MPS files. As symmetricity is always assumed, $a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ for all index pairs (i, j).

2.5.2 Convexity

A fundamental property for nonlinear optimization problems, thus in QCQP as well, is convexity. A region is called *convex*, if for any two points from the region the connecting line segment is also part of the region.

The lack of convexity may give rise to several unfavourable model properties. Lack of convexity in the objective may introduce the phenomenon of locally optimal solutions that are not global ones (a local optimal solution is one for which a neighbourhood in the feasible region exists in which that solution is the best). While the lack of convexity in constraints can also give rise to local optimums, they may even introduce non-connected feasible regions as shown in Figure 2.2.

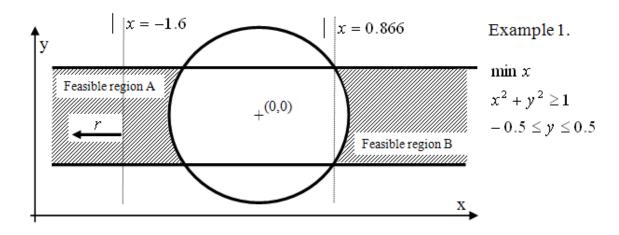


Figure 2.2: Non-connected feasible regions

In this example, the feasible region is divided into two parts. Over feasible region B, the objective function has two alterative local optimal solutions, while over feasible region A the objective is not even bounded.

For convex problems, each locally optimal solution is a global one, making the characterization of the optimal solution efficient.

2.5.3 Characterizing convexity

A quadratic constraint of form

$$a_1 x_1 + ... + a_n x_n + x^T Q x < b$$

defines a convex region if and only if Q is a so-called positive semi-definite (PSD) matrix.

A rectangular matrix Q is PSD by definition, if for any vector (not restricted to the feasible set of a problem) x it holds that $x^TQx \ge 0$.

It follows that for greater or equal constraints

$$a_1x_1+\ldots+a_nx_n-x^TQx\geq b$$

the negative of Q shall be PSD.

A nontrivial quadratic constraint (one for which not every coefficient is zero) always defines a nonconvex region, therefore quadratic equalities are not allowed (or in other words, if both Q and its negative is PSD, then Q must equal the 0 matrix).

There is no straightforward way of checking if a matrix is PSD or not. An intuitive way of checking this property, is that the quadratic part shall always only make a constraint harder to satisfy (i.e. taking the quadratic part away shall always be a relaxation of the original problem).

There are certain constructs however, that can easily be recognized as being non convex:

- 1. the product of two variables say xy without having both x^2 and y^2 defined;
- 2. having $-x^2$ in any quadratic expression in a less or equal, or having x^2 in any greater or equal row.

2.5.4 Solving QCQPs

QCQP problems are solved by the XPRESS Newton-barrier solver. For QCQP and QP problems, there is no solution purification method applied after the barrier (like the cross-over for linear problems). This means that solutions tend to contain more active variables than basic solutions, and fewer variables will be at or close to one of their bounds.

2.5.5 The convexity check

The convexity checker will accept matrices that are only very slightly not PSD.

2.5.6 Turning the automatic convexity check off and numerical issues

The optimizer will check the convexity of each individual constraint. In certain cases it is possible that the problem itself is convex, but the representation of it is not. A simple example would be

minimize:	Х		
subject to:	x^2-y^2+2xy	\leq	1
	y=0		

The optimizer will deny solving this problem if the automatic convexity check is on, although the problem is clearly convex. The reason is that convexity of QCQPs is checked before any presolve takes place. To understand why, consider the following example:

minimize: y subject to: $y-x^2 \le 1$ y=2

This problem is clearly feasible, and an optimal solution is (x, y) = (1, 2). However, when presolving the problem, it will be found infeasible, since assuming that the quadratic part of the first constraint is convex the constraint cannot be satisfied (remember that if a constraint is convex, then removing the quadratic part is always a relaxation). Thus since presolve makes use of the assumption that the problem is convex, convexity must be checked before presolve.

Note that for quadratic programming (QP) and mixed integer quadratic programs (MIQP) where the quadratic expressions appear only in the objective, the convexity check takes place after presolve, making it possible to accept matrices that are not PSD, but define a convex function over the feasible region (note that this is only a chance).

It is possible to turn the automatic convexity check off. By doing so, one may save time when solving problems that are known to be convex, or one might even want to experiment trying to solve nonconvex problems. For a non-convex problem, any of the following might happen:

- 1. the algorithm converges to a local optimum which it declares optimal (and which might or might not be the actual optimum);
- 2. the algorithm doesn't converge and stops after reaching the iteration limit;
- 3. the algorithm cannot make sufficient improvement and stops;
- 4. the algorithm stops because it cannot solve a subproblem (in this case it will declare the matrix non semidefinite);
- 5. presolve declares a feasible problem infeasible;
- 6. presolve eliminates variables that otherwise play an important role, thus significantly change the model;
- 7. different solutions (even feasibility/infeasibility) are generated to the same problem, only by slightly changing its formulation.

There is no guarantee on which of the cases above will occur, and as mentioned before, the behavior/outcome might even be formulation dependent. One should take extreme care when interpreting to the solution information returned for a non-convex problem.

2.6 Solving Problems with a Convex Nonlinear Objective

It is possible to solve linearly constrained problems with a convex, nonlinear objective function using the Newton-barrier from the callable library.

The linear constraints may be loaded into the optimizer the usual way, i.e. by XPRSreadprob or by any of the library functions XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqp, XPRSloadglobal, or XPRSloadqglobal. However, if a nonlinear objective function is to be optimized, the objective function of the loaded problem will be discarded.

After the constraints of the problem has been input, the nonlinear objective function is defined by the means of providing an evaluation, a gradient and a Hessian callback function. Given any solution to the problem, these callbacks are used to evaluate the value, the gradient and the Hessian of the nonlinear objective respectively.

The maximal structure of the Hessian must be defined by calling XPRSinitializenlphessian or XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs first. These functions must provide all positions where a nonzero value may occur in any of the Hessian matrices of the problem. This structure cannot be changed during the optimization. Once this initialization is done, the functions XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian are used to define the necessary callbacks. All of the callbacks must be defined. The problem is expected to be convex, which means that all Hessians must be positive semi-definite for minimization, or negative semi-definite problems for maximization problems.

2.7 Viewing the Solution

Once the optimization algorithms have completed, either a solution will be available, or else the problem will have been identified as infeasible or unbounded. In the latter case, the user may want to know why a problem has occurred and take steps to correct it. This is the subject matter for 3, following. In the former case, the user will probably want to consult the identified solution.

Xpress-MP provides a number of functions for accessing details of a solved problem. Using either of XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) or XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) a full solution may be obtained as an ASCII file. The first of these is suitable for interpretation by another application, whilst the second is primarily intended to be sent to a printer. Equivalent commands for obtaining range information are XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE) and XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE).

Library users may also access the solution directly through their programs using XPRSgetlpsol, which will return the values of the decision variables, the slack variables, dual values and reduced costs for the current LP solution. The decision variables and slack variables for a MIP solution may be obtained with the XPRSgetmipsol function. In addition, the optimization algorithms provide extra details of a problem as it is solved by means of *problem attributes*. These are a set of objects which may be interrogated for particular information and transferred to user variables by type using the library functions XPRSgetintattrib, XPRSgetdblattrib and XPRSgetstrattrib. Examples of attributes include LPOBJVAL and MIPOBJVAL, which return the optimal values of the objective function for LP and (M)IP problems respectively. A full list of attributes may be found in 8.

2.8 Optimization by Example

The above sections provide a brief introduction to the most common features of the Xpress-Optimizer and its most general usage. Over the course of the following chapters, topics such as common problems and Optimizer performance will be considered, as well as some of the more advanced features of the Optimizer. The second part of the manual forms a reference for the various functions and their usage.

Examples of using the Optimizer are available from a number of sources, most notably from Xpress-MP Getting Started manual. This provides a straight forward, "hands on" approach to the Xpress-MP software suite and it is highly recommended that users read the relevant chapters before considering the reference manuals. Additional, more advanced, examples may be downloaded from the website.

2.9 Quick Reference

2.9.1 Initialization and Termination

XPRSinit	Initialize the Optimizer.
XPRScreateprob	Create a problem environment.
XPRSsetlogfile	Direct all Optimizer output to a log file.
XPRSsetcbmessage	Define an output callback function.
XPRSdestroyprob	Destroy a problem environment.
XPRSfree	Release memory used by the Optimizer and close any open files.

2.9.2 Reading In a Problem

XPRSreadprob	Read in an MPS, LP, QP or binary interface format file.
XPRSloadlp	Load an LP problem into the Optimizer.
XPRSloadqp	Load a QP problem into the Optimizer.
XPRSloadglobal	Load a MIP problem into the Optimizer.
XPRSloadqglobal	Load a quadratic MIP problem into the Optimizer.
XPRSaddnames	Provide names for a range of rows or columns.

2.9.3 Solving the Problem

XPRSreadbasis	Read a basis from file.
XPRSloadbasis	Load a basis from a user's data structures.
XPRSreaddirs	Read a directives file.
XPRSmaxim	Maximize the problem's objective function.
XPRSminim	Minimize the problem's objective function.
XPRSglobal	Search for an integer solution.
XPRSrange	Calculate ranging information and save it to file.
XPRSgetbasis	Get the current basis into user arrays.
XPRSwritebasis	Write a basis to file.

2.9.4 Viewing the Solution

XPRSwritesol	Write the current solution to ASCII files.
XPRSwriteprtsol	Write the current solution in printable format to file.
XPRSwriterange	Write range information to ASCII files.
XPRSwriteprtrange	Write range information in printable format to file.
XPRSgetlpsol	Retrieve current LP solution values into users arrays.
XPRSgetmipsol	Retrieve last MIP solution values into users arrays.
XPRSgetintattrib	Recover the value of an integer problem attribute.
XPRSgetdblattrib	Recover the value of a double problem attribute.
XPRSgetstrattrib	Recover the value of a string problem attribute.

Chapter 3

Optimality, Infeasibility and Unboundedness

3.1 The Solution Process

Once a problem matrix has been constructed within the Optimizer, typically a user will call one of the optimization routines to attempt to solve it and, having done so, would be presented with an optimal solution which can then be used. Optimization is not always this simple, however, and many things can and do go wrong during the solution process. Very often in real situations problems are large and will take some time to solve. This is particularly true with complicated MIP problems. For problems that seem to be taking an unusually long time to solve, the optimization time can often be improved with some thought and careful setting of the control parameters. This is the subject of the following chapter.

Console users can safely terminate the solution process at any point using the CTRL-C keystroke. This allows the current point in the process to be saved before the Optimizer terminates. The process can subsequently be continued if desired by reissuing the command. Whilst library users do not have this facility, limits can be placed on the amount of time taken for an Optimizer run either by setting the control LPITERLIMIT, which provides an upper bound on the number of simplex iterations carried out, or BARITERLIMIT, which performs the same role for the Newton barrier method. Alternatively the control MAXTIME can be set to impose a "real time" limit on the process. If the solution process ever ends prematurely, it is worth checking that these three controls have been set to reasonable values and that it is not one of these that is interrupting the optimization.

Assuming none of these problems arise and the optimization run completes successfully, there are a number of possible outcomes for the resulting solution. Ideally, an optimal solution will have been found, confirming that the problem was well-posed and providing an answer that is usable. However, this is not the only outcome from the process. It is equally possible that no solution can be found, where the problem is said to be *infeasible*. Occasionally, potentially infinite solutions are also possible from certain models, resulting in *unboundedness*. In this chapter we briefly discuss some of these possibilities.

3.2 Infeasibility

A problem is said to be *infeasible* if no solution exists which satisfies all the constraints. The Xpress-Optimizer provides a number of means for diagnosing infeasibilities in models, depending on the point in the solution process at which they are detected.

3.2.1 Diagnosing Infeasibility During Presolve

The presolve facility, if used (see 5.2), makes a number of checks for infeasibility. If an infeasibility is detected, it is possible to trace this back and uncover the cause of it. This diagnosis is

carried out whenever the control parameter TRACE is set to 1 before the optimization routine XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) is called. In such a situation, the cause of the infeasibility is then reported as part of the output from the optimization routine and the problem may be amended if necessary.

3.2.2 Irreducible Infeasible Sets

Another general technique to analyze infeasibility is to find a small portion of the matrix that is itself infeasible. The Optimizer does this by finding *irreducible infeasible sets* (IISs). An IIS is a minimal set of constraints and variable bounds which is infeasible, but becomes feasible if any constraint or bound in it is removed.

A model may have several infeasibilities. Repairing a single IIS may not make the model feasible, for which reason the Optimizer can attempt to find an IIS for each of the infeasibilities in a model. The IISs found by the optimizer are independent in the sense that each constraint and variable bound may only be present in at most one IIS. In some problems there are overlapping IISs. The number of all IIS present in a problem may be exponential, and no attempt is made to enumerate all. If the infeasibility can be represented by several different IISs the Optimizer will attempt to find the IIS with the smallest number of constraints in order to make the infeasibility easier to diagnose (the Optimizer tries to minimize the number of constraints involved, even if it means that the IIS will contain more bounds).

Using the library functions IISs can be generated iteratively using the XPRSiisfirst and XPRSiisnext functions. All (a maximal set of independent) IISs can also be obtained with the XPRSiisall function. Note that if the problem is modified during the iterative search for IISs, the process has to be started from scratch. After a set of IISs is identified, the information contained by any one of the IISs (size, constraint and bound lists, duals, etc.) may be retrieved with function XPRSgetiisdata. A summary on the generated IISs is provided by function XPRSiisstatus, while it is possible to save the IIS data or the IIS subproblem directly into a file in MPS or LP format using XPRSiiswrite. The information about the IISs is available while the problem remains unchanged. The information about an IIS may be obtained at any time after it has been generated. Function XPRSiisclear clears the information already stored about IISs.

On the console, all the IIS functions are available by passing different flags to the IIS console command. A single IIS may be found by command IIS. If further IISs are required (e.g. if trying to find the smallest one) the IIS n command may be used to generate subsequent IISs, or the IIS –a to generate all independent IISs, until no further independent IIS exists. These functions display the constraints and bounds that are identified to be in an IIS as they are found. If further information is required, the IIS p num command may be used to retrieve all the data for a given IIS, or the IIS w and IIS e functions to create an LP/MPS or CSV containing the IIS subproblem or the additional information about the IIS in a file.

Once an IIS has been found it is useful to know if dropping a single constraint or bound in the IIS will completely remove the infeasibility represented by the IIS, thus an attempt is made to identify a subset of the IIS called a sub-IIS isolation. A sub-IIS isolation is a special constraint or bound in an IIS. Removing an IIS isolation constraint or bound will remove all infeasibilities in the IIS without increasing the infeasibilities outside the IIS, that is, in any other independent IISs.

The IIS isolations thus indicate the likely cause of each independent infeasibility and give an indication of which constraint or bound to drop or modify. This procedure is computationally expensive, and is carried out separately by function XPRSiisisolations (IIS -i) for an already identified IIS. It is not always possible to find IIS isolations.

After an optimal but infeasible first phase primal simplex, it is possible to identify a subproblem containing all the infeasibilities (corresponding to the given basis) to reduce the IIS workproblem dramatically. Rows with zero duals (thus with artificial of zero reduced cost) and columns that have zero reduced costs may be excluded from the search for IISs. Moreover, for rows and columns with nonzero costs, the sign of the cost is used to relax equality rows either to less then or greater than equal rows, and to drop either possible upper or lower bounds on

variables. This process is referred to as sensitivity filter for IISs.

The identification of an IIS, especially if the isolations search is also performed, may take a very long time. For this reason, using the sensitivity filter for IISs, it is possible to find only an approximation of the IISs, which typically contains all the IISs (and may contain several rows and bounds that are not part of any IIS). This approximation is a subproblem identified at the beginning of the search for IISs, and is referred to as the initial infeasible subproblem. Its size is typically crucial to the running time of the IIS procedure. This subproblem is accessible by setting the input parameters of XPRSiisfirst or by calling (IIS -f) on the console. Note that the IIS approximation and the IISs generated so far are always available.

The XPRSgetiisdata function also returns dual multipliers. These multipliers are associated with Farkas' lemma of linear optimization. Farkas' lemma in its simplest form states that if Ax=b, x>=0 has no solution, then there exists a y for which $y^TA>=0$ and $y^Tb<0$. In other words, if the constraints and bounds are contradictory, then an inequality of form $d^Tx < 0$ may be derived, where d is a constant vector of nonnegative values. The vector y, i.e., the multipliers with which the constraints and bounds have to be combined to get the contradiction is called dual multipliers. For each IIS identified, these multipliers are also provided. For an IIS all the dual multipliers should be nonzero.

3.2.3 The Infeasibility Repair Utility

In some cases, identifying the cause of infeasibility, even if the search is based on IISs may prove very demanding and time consuming. In such cases, a solution that violates the constraints and bounds minimally can greatly assist modeling. This functionality is provided by the XPRSrepairweightedinfeas function.

Based on preferences provided by the user, the Optimizer relaxes the constraints and bounds in the problem by introducing penalized deviation variables associated with selected rows and columns. Then a weighted sum of these variables (sometimes referred to as infeasibility breakers) is minimized, resulting in a solution that violates the constraints and bounds minimally regarding the provided preferences. The preference associated with a constraint or bound reflects the modeler's will to relax the corresponding right-hand-side or bound. The higher the preference, the more willing the modeler is to relax (the penalty value associated is the reciprocal of the preference). A zero preference reflects that the constraint or bound cannot be relaxed. It is the responsibility of the modeler to provide preferences that yield a feasible relaxed problem. Note, that if all preferences are nonzero, the relaxed problem is always feasible (with the exception of problems containing binary or semi-continuous variables, since because of their special associated modeling properties, such variables are not relaxed).

Note, that this utility does not repair the infeasibility of the original model, but based on the preferences provided by the user, it introduces extra freedom into it to make it feasible, and minimizes the utilization of the added freedom.

The magnitude of the preferences does not affect the quality of the resulting solution, and only the ratios of the individual preferences determine the resulting solution. If a single penalty value is used for each constraint and bound group (less than and greater than or equal constraints, as well as lower and upper bounds are treated separately) the XPRSrepairinfeas (REPAIRINFEAS) function may be used, which provides a simplified interface to XPRSrepairweightedinfeas.

Using the new variables introduced, it is possible to warm start with a basic solution for the primal simplex algorithm. Such a warm start is always performed when the primal simplex algorithm is used. However, based on the value of the control KEEPBASIS, the function may modify the actual basis to produce a warm start basis for the solution process. An infeasible, but first phase optimal primal solution typically speeds up the solution of the relaxed problem.

Once the optimal solution to the relaxed problem is identified (and is automatically projected back to the original problem space), it may be used by the modeler to modify the problem in order to become feasible. However, it may be of interest to know which value the original objective function would take if the modifications suggested by the solution provided by the infeasibility repair function were carried out.

In order to provide such information, the infeasibility repair tool may carry out a second phase, in which the weighted violation of the constraints and bounds are restricted to be no greater than the optimum of the first phase in the infeasibility repair function, and the original objective function is minimized or maximized.

It is possible to slightly relax the restriction on the weighted violation of the constraints and bounds in the second phase by setting the value of the parameter delta in

XPRSrepairweightedinfeas, or using the -delta option in the console. If the minimal weighted violation in the first phase is p, a nonzero delta would relax the restriction on the weighted violations to be less or equal than (1+delta)p. While such a relaxation allows considering the effect of the original objective function in more detail, on some problems the trade-off between increasing delta to improve the objective can be very large, and the modeler is advised to carefully analyze the effect of the extra violations of the constraints and bounds to the underlying model.

Note, that it is possible that an infeasible problem becomes unbounded in the second phase of the infeasibility repair function. In such cases, the cause of the problem being unbounded is likely to be independent from the cause of its infeasibility.

3.2.4 Integer Infeasibility

In certain situations a MIP problem may turn out to be infeasible, while the equivalent LP problem (the LP relaxation) yields an optimal solution. In such circumstances the feasible region for the LP relaxation, while nontrivial, contains no solutions which satisfy the various integrality constraints and a solution may only be recovered either by dropping one of these, or one of the other problem constraints. These are perhaps the worst kind of infeasibilities as it is much harder to determine the cause.

3.3 Unboundedness

A problem is said to be *unbounded* if the objective function may be improved indefinitely whilst still satisfying the constraints of the model. When this occurs it usually signifies a problem in the formulation of the model being solved rather than a likely source of infinite profit. If the Optimizer detects unboundedness, the user should look again at the model being presented for missing, insufficient or inaccurate constraints, or data.

3.4 Scaling

When they are first formulated, problems sometimes contain numerical values which vary over many orders of magnitude. For example:

maximize:	10 ⁶ x+7y	=	Z
subject to:	$10^6 x + 0.1 y$	\leq	100
	10 ⁷ x+8y	\leq	500
	$10^{12}x + 10^6y$	\leq	$50*10^6$

Here the objective coefficients, constraint coefficients, and RHS values range between 0.1 and 10¹². We say that the model is *badly scaled*.

During the optimization process, the Optimizer must perform many calculations involving subtraction and division of quantities derived from the constraints and objective function. When these calculations are carried out with values differing greatly in magnitude, the finite precision of computer arithmetic and the fixed tolerances employed by Xpress-MP result in a build up of rounding errors to a point where the Optimizer can no longer reliably find the optimal solution.

To minimize undesirable effects, when formulating your problem try to choose units (or equivalently scale your problem) so that objective coefficients and matrix elements do not range by more than 10⁶, and RHS and non-infinite bound values do not exceed 10⁸. One common problem is the use of large finite bound values to represent infinite bounds (i.e., no bounds) — if you have to enter explicit infinite bounds, make sure you use values greater than 10²⁰ which will be interpreted as infinity by the Optimizer. Avoid having large objective values that have a small relative difference — this makes it hard for the dual simplex algorithm to solve the problem. Similarly, avoid having large RHS/bound values that are close together.

In the above example, both the x-coefficient and the last constraint might be better scaled. Issues arising from the first may be overcome by column scaling, effectively a change of coordinates, with the replacement of 10^6x by some new variable. Those from the second may be overcome by row scaling.

Xpress-MP also incorporates a number of automatic scaling options to improve the scaling of the matrix. However, the general techniques described below cannot replace attention to the choice of units specific to your problem. The best option is to scale your problem following the advice above, and use the automatic scaling provided by the Optimizer.

The form of scaling employed by the Optimizer depends on the bits of the control parameter SCALING which are set. To get a particular form of scaling, set SCALING to the sum of the values corresponding to the scaling required. For instance, to get row scaling, column scaling and then row scaling again, set SCALING to 1+2+4=7. The problem is scaled during XPRSreadprob (READPROB), and may be rescaled later using XPRSscale (SCALE).

Bit	Value	Type of Scaling
0	1	Row scaling.
1	2	Column scaling.
2	4	Row scaling again.
3	8	Maximin.
4	16	Curtis-Reid.
5	32	 0 – scale by geometric mean; 1 – scale by maximum element (not applicable if maximin or Curtis-Reid is specified).
7	128	Objective function scaling.
8	256	Exclude the quadratic part of constraint when calculating scaling factors.

Typically one may want to rescale the matrix following an alteration (using XPRSalter (ALTER). By setting SCALING before calling XPRSscale (SCALE), a different scaling strategy can be employed from that used originally.

The default value of SCALING is 35, so row and column scaling are done by the maximum element method. If scaling is not required, SCALING must be set to 0 before any call to XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

The scaling is determined by the matrix elements only. The objective coefficients, right hand side values and bound values do not influence the scaling. Scaling of integer entities is not supported in XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), although a nonzero SCALING will scale the LP variables. This means that the scaling of integer entities should be considered carefully when formulating MIP problems.

3.5 Accuracy

The accuracy of the computed variable values and objective function value is affected in general by the various tolerances used in the Optimizer. Of particular relevance to MIP problems are the accuracy and cut off controls. The MIPRELCUTOFF control has a non-zero default value, which will prevent solutions very close but better than a known solution being found. This control can of course be set to zero if required.

However, for all problems it is probably ambitious to expect a level of accuracy in the objective of more than 1 in 1,000,000. Bear in mind that the default feasibility and optimality tolerances are 10^{-6} . And you are lucky if you can compute the solution values and reduced costs to an accuracy better than 10^{-8} anyway (particularly for large models). It depends on the condition number of the basis matrix and the size of the RHS and cost coefficients. Under reasonable assumptions, an upper bound for the computed variable value accuracy is $4xKx \parallel RHS \parallel /10^{16}$, where $\parallel RHS \parallel$ denotes the L-infinity norm of the RHS and K is the basis condition number. The basis condition number can be found using the XPRSbasiscondition (BASISCONDITION) function.

You should also bear in mind that the matrix is scaled, which would normally have the effect of increasing the apparent feasibility tolerance.

Chapter 4

Performance Issues

4.1 Choice of Algorithm

The Xpress-Optimizer is essentially "three solvers in one", offering users a choice of methods to be used for solving LP and QP problems: the *primal* and *dual simplex* algorithms and the *Newton barrier* interior point algorithm. The best algorithm to use for optimization in a given situation is problem-specific. As a general rule, the dual simplex is usually much faster than the primal simplex if the model is not infeasible or near-infeasibility. If the problem is likely to be infeasible, then the primal simplex is probably the best choice as it makes determining the cause of the infeasibility simpler. Interior point methods such as the Newton barrier algorithm perform better on certain classes of problems, although, for a problem matrix A, if A^TA is dense then the barrier will be slow.

As a default, the Xpress-Optimizer employs the dual simplex method for solving LP problems and the barrier method for solving QP problems. For most users this will be sufficient and they need not consider changing it. If a problem seems to be taking an unusually long time to solve, however, it may be worth experimenting with the different algorithms. These may be called by specifying flags to the optimization routines, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) and XPRSminim (MINIM). The default algorithm used is determined by the value of the control parameter, DEFAULTALG.

In the following few sections, performance issues relating to these methods and to the search for integer solutions will be discussed in more detail.

4.2 Simplex Performance

4.2.1 The Simplex Method

The region defined by a set of linear constraints is a polyhedron, known as the *feasible region*. Points with the same linear objective function value, known as a *level set*, form a hyperplane. It follows that an optimal value of the objective function will occur only on the boundary of the feasible region and one will always occur at one of the vertices of the polyhedron. In some cases, when the level sets of the objective function are parallel to part of the polyhedron's boundary, the optimal solution will not be unique, consisting rather of a line, plane or hyperplane of solutions. However, in this case also, the optimal solution value may be found by considering only the vertices of the feasible region, although there will obviously be a continuum of decision variable values which will produce this optimum.

In general, vertices occur at points where as many constraints and variable bounds as there are variables in the problem intersect. Simplex methods usually only consider solutions at vertices, or bases (known as *basic solutions*) and proceed or iterate from one vertex to another until an optimal solution has been found, or the problem proves to be infeasible or unbounded. The number of iterations required increases with model size, usually slightly faster than the number of constraints.

The primal and dual simplex methods differ in which vertices they consider and how they iterate. The dual is the default for LP problems, but may be explicitly invoked using the d flag with either XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM).

4.2.2 Inversion

During optimization using the simplex method, every so often the Optimizer will go through a process known as inversion, with frequency determined by the controls INVERTEREQ and INVERTMIN. This will attempt to find a more compact representation of the current solution and check its accuracy. However, it is possible that the Optimizer may be unable to find a new representation of the current solution. This may be due to accuracy problems or an unstable initial condition produced by the crash or XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS). In such a situation, a number of the vectors will be rejected from the basis and replaced by unit vectors corresponding to slack or artificial variables. Following inversion, the Optimizer subsequently tries to adjust the current solution to find a more stable one before continuing with the algorithm.

4.2.3 Partial Pricing vs. Devex Pricing

The primal simplex Optimizer uses a mixture of partial pricing and Paul Harris" Devex pricing as determined by the control PRICINGALG. Typically, partial pricing results in a greater number of fast iterations whereas Devex pricing results in fewer, slow iterations. Which is better is highly problem-dependent. When set to 0, the Optimizer will start by using partial pricing and automatically determine when to switch to Devex pricing. To prevent the Optimizer from switching to Devex pricing, the user can set PRICINGALG to -1. To force the Optimizer to switch to Devex pricing the PRICINGALG control can be set to 1.

4.2.4 Output

Whilst searching for an optimal LP solution, the Console Optimizer writes an iteration log to the screen. The same information may be obtained by library users with the XPRSsetlogfile or XPRSsetcblplog functions. This log is produced every LPLOG iterations. If this is positive, a summary output is produced, whereas a more detailed log is produced if it is negative. When set to 0, a log is displayed only when the solution terminates.

4.3 Barrier Performance

4.3.1 The Newton Barrier Method

In contrast to the simplex method, the Newton barrier is an interior point method for solving LP and QP problems. As the name suggests, such a method involves iteratively moving from one point to the next within the interior of the feasible region. Approaching the boundary of the region is penalized, so iterates of this method cannot leave the region. However, since optimal solutions of LP problems lie on the boundary of the feasible region, this penalty must be dynamically decreased as the algorithm proceeds in order to allow iterates to converge to the optimal solution.

Interior point methods typically yield a solution lying strictly in the interior of the feasible region and so can be only an approximation to the true optimal vertex solution. It is therefore the required proximity to the optimal solution which determines the number of iterations required, rather than the number of decision variables. Unlike the simplex method, therefore, the barrier often completes in a similar number of iterations regardless of the problem size.

The barrier solver can be invoked on a problem by using the b flag with either XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM). This is used by default for QP problems, whose quadratic objective functions result in optimal solutions that generically lie on a face of the polyhedral feasible region, rather than at a vertex.

4.3.2 Controlling Barrier Performance

The Newton barrier method is influenced by a number of controls which can be altered if the solution search seems slow, or if numerical problems result. Ensuring that the CACHESIZE is set correctly can have a significant effect on the performance, and *must* be set manually on non-Intel and non-AMD platforms. Similarly, altering the ordering algorithm for the Cholesky factorization using BARORDER can affect performance. Setting this to 2 often produces better results, although the ordering itself can be significantly slower. Other controls such as DENSECOLLIMIT can be set manually to good effect. For example, numerical problems where dense columns are detected in the tree search can be eliminated by disabling the dense column handling. This is achieved by setting DENSECOLLIMIT to a larger number. In this case the optimization speed may be degraded, but numerical behavior is usually better.

4.3.3 Crossover

Typically the barrier algorithm terminates when it is within a given tolerance of the optimal solution. Since this solution will lie on the boundary of the feasible region, the Optimizer may perform a crossover at this stage, enabling the optimization to be completed using the simplex method and thus yielding a 'true' optimum. If a basic optimal solution is required, then this procedure must be activated before optimization starts. The CROSSOVER control governs this, set to 1 by default for LP problems. If CROSSOVER is set to 0, no crossover will be attempted and the solution provided will be that determined purely by the barrier method.

4.3.4 Convergence

The optimization is normally terminated when the primal and dual solutions are feasible and the relative duality gap is less than BARGAPSTOP, or in other words:

$$\frac{|primalobj-dualobj|}{1.0+|dualobj|} \le BARGAPSTOP$$

For example, BARGAPSTOP = 1.0 E-8 means that eight significant figures will be correct in the optimal objective value. The BARPRIMALSTOP and BARDUALSTOP parameters give the termination criteria for the primal and dual feasibilities. In general it should not be necessary to change the BARGAPSTOP, BARPRIMALSTOP and BARDUALSTOP controls, but if a crossover is employed and the simplex algorithm takes many iterations to get from the crossover basis to an optimal basis, then reducing these controls (e.g. by a factor of 10 to 100) may be worthwhile.

The Newton barrier algorithm computes a search direction at each iteration and takes a step in this direction. If this step size is less than BARSTEPSTOP then the algorithm terminates. If convergence is very slow then it may be better to terminate prematurely by setting a higher value for BARSTEPSTOP and hence invoking the simplex method at an earlier stage.

4.3.5 Output

As with the simplex method, the Console Optimizer can display an iteration log. Similarly, library users may obtain the same information by employing XPRSsetlogfile or XPRSsetcbbarlog. In both cases, this is dependent on the value of the BAROUTPUT control.

4.4 Integer Programming - The Global Search

4.4.1 The Branch and Bound Process

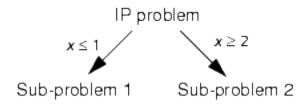
The Xpress-Optimizer uses the Branch and Bound technique to solve mixed integer programming (MIP) problems. A brief overview of this is given here to aid the user in guiding the search for integer solutions. The three major concepts involved are separation, relaxation and fathoming.

The relaxation applied to each integer programming problem is that of dropping the integrality constraints. The relaxed problem is a linear programming problem and can be solved, resulting in one of the following outcomes:

- (a) The LP is infeasible so the MIP problem must also be infeasible;
- (b) The LP has a feasible solution, but some of the integrality constraints are not satisfied the MIP has not yet been solved;
- (c) The LP has a feasible solution and all the integrality constraints are satisfied so the MIP has also been solved:
- (d) The LP is unbounded.

The final outcome (d) is a tricky case. It can only occur at the very first relaxation, in which case the model is not well posed. It will therefore be assumed that the LP is not unbounded.

Outcomes (a) and (c) are said to "fathom" the particular MIP, since no further work on it is necessary. For case (b) more work is required, since one of the unsatisfied integrality constraints must be selected and the concept of separation applied. Suppose, for example, that the optimal LP value of an integer variable x is 1.34, violating integrality. It follows that in any solution to the original problem either x <= 1.0 or x >= 2.0. If the two resulting IP problems are solved, integer values of x are guaranteed not to be missed, so the problem is separated into two sub-problems.



If both of these sub-problems can be solved and the better of the two is chosen, then the MIP is solved. Exactly the same relaxation strategy is used to solve each of the sub-problems and consequently this is a recursive solution technique.

This can be depicted as a tree-searching algorithm with a certain degree of arbitrariness. Each node of the tree is a MIP sub-problem. That MIP is then relaxed and the LP relaxation can be solved. If the relaxation is not fathomed, then the MIP must be further separated into two more sub-problems, each having the same constraints as the node MIP, plus one further constraint each. Each node is therefore either fathomed or has two descendants.

At some point in exploring the tree an integer solution may be found, providing a bound on the solution to the problem. Clearly the LP relaxation of a MIP will have no worse an optimal objective function value than that of the MIP. The value of the best MIP node found can then act as a *cutoff* for outstanding nodes. If the value of the LP relaxation is no better than the cutoff, then any MIP descendant of the node cannot be better than the MIP solution value which has been found. Again the node can be fathomed and need be considered no further.

The concept of a cutoff value can be applied even when no integer solution has been found if it is known, or it may be assumed from the outset that the optimal solution must be better than some value. If the relaxation is worse than this cutoff, then the node may be abandoned. There is a danger, however, that all integer feasible solutions, including the optimal one, may be missed if an overly optimistic cutoff value is chosen.

The cutoff concept can be more powerful if a solution within a certain tolerance of the integer optimum is sought. If an integer solution is found, this may be accepted if there is no other solution more than, say, 100 better than it. The cutoff can then be set to be 100 better than the solution that has just been found.

If the problem contains sets then the nodes of the Branch and Bound tree are separated by branching on the sets this is done by choosing a position in the set and setting all members of the set to 0 either above or below the chosen point. Each member of the set has a reference row entry and the sets are ordered by these reference row entries. The optimizer used the reference row entries to decide on the branching position and so it is important to choose the reference row entries which reflect the cost of setting the set member to 0. In some cases it maybe better to model the problem with binary variables instead of sets. This is especially the case if the sets are small.

4.4.2 Node and Variable Selection

The branch and bound technique leaves many choices open to the user. However, in practice the success of the technique is highly dependent upon two choices.

- (a) At any given stage there will generally be several outstanding nodes which have not been fathomed. The choice of which to solve first is known as the *node selection problem*;
- (b) Having chosen a node to tackle, deciding which variable to separate upon is known as the *variable selection problem*.

The Optimizer incorporates a default strategy for both choices which has been found to work adequately on most problems. Several controls are provided to tailor the search strategy to a particular problem. Since the Optimizer makes its variable selection when the LP relaxation has been solved, rather than when it has selected the node, the variable selection problem will be discussed first.

4.4.3 Variable Selection for Branching

Each global entry has a priority for branching, either the default value of 500 or one set by the user in the directives file. A *low* priority value means that the variable is *more* likely to be selected for branching. Up and down pseudo costs for each global entity can be specified, which are estimates of the per unit degradation of forcing the entity away from its LP value.

The Optimizer selects the branching entity from among those entities of the most important priority class which remain unsatisfied. Of these, it takes the one with the highest estimated cost of being satisfied (degradation).

A rather crude estimate of the best integer solution derivable from the node is made by summing the individual entities" estimates. If these estimates are consistently biased in some problem class, it may be worthwhile to specify pseudo costs different from the default of 0.1. This can be achieved using the XPRSreaddirs (READDIRS) command.

4.4.4 Node Selection

Each active node has an LP relaxation value and an estimated degradation to an integer solution. The controls NODESELECTION, BACKTRACK, VARSELECTION and BREADTHFIRST determine the way the next node is selected.

The value of NODESELECTION defines the candidate set for node selection, i.e. the set of nodes from which one will be chosen, while the value of BACKTRACK defines the criterion used in selection of a node from the candidate set. If NODESELECTION is 1 (the usual default) then the two descendent nodes form the candidate set, but if both have been fathomed then all active nodes form the candidate set. If NODESELECTION is 2, all nodes are always included in the candidate set resulting in a best, or breadth first, search. If NODESELECTION is 3, a depth-first search is performed. If NODESELECTION is 4, all nodes are considered for selection in priority order for the first BREADTHFIRST nodes, after which the usual default behavior is resumed.

For deciding between the nodes in the candidate set, the value of BACKTRACK determines the selection criterion. If BACKTRACK is 1 and MIPTARGET has not been set (either directly by the user or by the search previously finding an integer solution), then the node with the best

estimate is chosen. If BACKTRACK is 1 and MIPTARGET has been set, then the Forrest-Hirst-Tomlin Criterion is used. For minimization problems, this chooses the node with the highest value of:

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(MIPTARGET - objective - deg) / deg
```

where deg is the estimated degradation. The value of VARSELECTION influences deg. If VARSELECTION is 1 (the default) then deg is assumed to come from the better of the two possible branching directions for each unsatisfied entity.

Various other ways of calculating deg can be actioned by setting VARSELECTION. The table below shows the possible values where up_j and $down_j$ are the estimated up and down degradations of branching on global entity i.

VARSELECTION	Estimated Degradation (deg)
1	$\sum_{j} min(up_{j}, down_{j})$
2	$\sum_{j}(up_{j}+down_{j})$
3	$\sum_{j} (2.0 \cdot min(up_j, down_j) + max(up_j, down_j))$
4	\sum_{i} max(up _j , down _j)
5	\sum_{j}^{r} down $_{j}$
6	$\sum_{j} u p_{j}$

If BACKTRACK is 2, the node with the smallest estimated solution is always chosen. If BACKTRACK is 3 the node with the smallest bound is always chosen.

4.4.5 Adjusting the Cutoff Value

Since the parameters MIPRELCUTOFF and MIPADDCUTOFF have nonzero default values we must consider carefully the effect of setting MIPADDCUTOFF at different places in the set of commands to the Optimizer. If MIPADDCUTOFF is set prior to XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) then its value may be altered by the optimization process. At the end of the LP optimization step, MIPADDCUTOFF is set to:

```
max (MIPADDCUTOFF, 0.01 \cdot MIPRELCUTOFF \cdot LP_value)
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where LP_value is the optimal value found by the LP Optimizer. When this formula is not required and a known value is to be specified for MIPADDCUTOFF, then MIPADDCUTOFF must be set after the LP Optimizer has been run. If a value is specified for MIPRELCUTOFF it must be specified before the LP Optimizer is run.

4.4.6 Integer Preprocessing

If MIPPRESOLVE has been set to a nonzero value before solving a MIP problem, integer preprocessing will be performed at each node of the branch and bound tree search (including the top node). This incorporates reduced cost fixing, binary variable fixing and probing at the top node. If a variable is fixed at a node, it remains fixed at all its child nodes, but it is not deleted from the matrix (unlike the variables fixed by presolve). The integer preprocessing is not influenced by the linear (1) flag in XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) and XPRSminim (MINIM).

MIPPRESOLVE is a bitmap whose values are acted on as follows:

Bit	Value	Action
0	1	reduced cost fixing;
1	2	variable fixing;
2	4	probing at root node.

So a value of 1+2=3 for MIPPRESOLVE causes reduced cost fixing and variable fixing.

4.5 Solving Problems Using Multiple Threads

It is possible to use multiple processors when solving both LPs and MIPs. It is possible to solve LPs in parallel using the barrier algorithm by setting BARTHREADS to the number of threads to use. The speedups that can be obtained depend on the density of the Cholesky factorization and good speedups will only be obtained if the factorization is sufficiently dense.

It is possible to solve MIPS in parallel by setting the MIPTHREADS control to the number of threads to use. If MIPTHREADS is set to 0 the serial code will be used and if it is set to 2 or higher then the tree search will be performed in parallel. The maximum number of threads cannot exceed the number authorized on the licence file. For example, to solve a MIP using 4 threads use:

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XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_MIPTHREADS, 4);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
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The operation of the optimizer is fairly similar in serial and parallel mode. The MIP callbacks can still be used in parallel and callbacks are called when each MIP thread is created and destroyed. The mipthread callback (declared with XPRSsetcbmipthread) is called whenever a thread is created and the destroymt callback (declared with XPRSsetcbdestroymt) is called whenever the thread is destroyed. Each thread has a unique ID which can be obtained from the MIPTHREADID integer attribute. When the MIP callbacks are called they are MUTEX protected to allow non threadsafe user callbacks. If a significant amount of time is spent in the callbacks then it is worth turning off the automatic MUTEX protection by setting the MUTEXCALLBACKS control to 0. It this is done then the user must ensure that their callbacks are threadsafe.

By default the parallel tree search is deterministic in the sense that the same nodes are solved by each thread every time the problem is run with the same number of threads. The node numbers assigned to the nodes are not deterministic and so the logs can look different when the problem is run twice and the node numbers should not be relied on to be deterministic if you are accessing them from callbacks. There is an overhead in synchronizing the threads to make the parallel runs deterministic and it can be faster to run in non-deterministic mode. This can be done by setting the DETERMINISTIC control to 0.

Chapter 5

Implementing Algorithms

5.1 Viewing and Modifying the Matrix

Whilst the simple procedures laid out in the previous chapters will be sufficient for many users of the Xpress-Optimizer, it is sometimes necessary after a model has been loaded to view and change certain properties of a problem's matrix, prior to re-optimizing the altered problem. This may be particularly important if the original problem was found to be infeasible and constraints (matrix rows) needed to be removed to make the feasible region nontrivial. For library users, Xpress-MP provides several functions specifically dedicated to this purpose, a few of which we mention below.

5.1.1 Viewing the Matrix

The Optimizer supports functions which provide access to the objective function, constraint right hand sides, bounds and the matrix elements both prior to and following optimization. In the former case, all information about the problem is available, although clearly the solution will not be. In the latter case, the structures available are dependent on whether or not the matrix is in a presolved state. This is described fully in the following section, so we do not elaborate on it here, other than to remark that full matrix information is only available if the matrix is *not* presolved. If it *is* still presolved, then only partial information will be available. If you are unsure of the matrix status, you may consult the problem attribute PRESOLVESTATE to determine its state.

For this section we will be concerned only with matrices which are not in a presolved state. For such matrices, the rows represent the constraints of the problem and may be obtained using XPRSgetrows. Their type and range are accessed via the functions XPRSgetrowtype and XPRSgetrowrange, whilst the names for each constraint may be returned by the XPRSgetnames command. The right hand side values and their ranges are available by means of the XPRSgetrhs and XPRSgetrhsrange routines. Related to the matrix rows, the coefficients of the objective function are similarly obtainable with use of the XPRSgetobj routine, whilst the related XPRSgetqobj function returns coefficients for quadratic objective functions.

The matrix columns represent the decision variables for the problem and as such the user may also be interested in information about these. The columns will typically have names, which the user may want to access, again possible using the XPRSgetnames function. Upper and lower bounds for the columns may be accessed with the commands XPRSgetub and XPRSgetlb, whilst their type and range are obtainable by means of the functions XPRSgetcoltype and XPRSgetcolrange, much as for the matrix rows. The XPRSgetcols function obtains the matrix columns themselves.

The reference section of this manual gives the precise form and usage for each of these functions in 6 and the user is advised to consult those pages for details and examples before employing them in their own programs.

5.1.2 Modifying the Matrix

In some instances, a model which has previously been solved must be changed before the modified matrix is re-presented for optimization, and a set of routines is provided for this task. Rows and columns can be added (using XPRSaddrows, XPRSaddcols) or deleted from the model (using XPRSdelrows, XPRSdelcols). If rows or columns are to be added, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for them before the matrix is read by setting the EXTRAROWS, EXTRACOLS, EXTRAELEMS and EXTRAMIPENTS controls. If this is not done, resizing will be carried out automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires, potentially resulting in slower solution times.

In the same way, existing row and column types may also be altered (using XPRSchgrowtype, XPRSchgcoltype), as may the matrix coefficients (using XPRSchgcoef, or XPRSchgmcoef if several are to be changed). Right hand sides and their ranges may be changed with XPRSchgrhs and XPRSchgrhsrange, whilst the coefficients of the objective function may be changed with XPRSchgobj. Those for quadratic objective functions may be similarly altered using XPRSchgqobj or XPRSchgmqobj if several such are to be changed.

As mentioned above, a matrix may not be modified if it has been presolved and has not been postsolved, except that the variable bounds may be altered (using XPRSchgbounds). In the following section the Presolve facility will be discussed, along with some suggestions for getting around the difficulties of working with a presolved matrix. Examples of all the above functions and their precise syntax may be found within the reference pages of this manual in 6, to which the user is referred for details of how they might be employed in an Optimizer library program.

5.2 Working with Presolve

The Optimizer provides a number of algorithms for simplifying a problem prior to the optimization process. This elaborate collection of procedures, known as *presolve*, can often greatly improve the Optimizer's performance by modifying the problem matrix, making it easier to solve. The presolve algorithms identify and remove redundant rows and columns, reducing the size of the matrix, for which reason most users will find it a helpful tool in reducing solution times. However, presolve is included as an option and can be disabled if not required by setting the PRESOLVE control to 0. Usually this is set to 1 and presolve is called by default.

For some users the presolve routines can result in confusion since a problem viewed in its presolved form will look very different to the original model. Under standard use of the Optimizer this may cause no difficulty. On a few occasions, however, if errors occur or if a user tries to access additional properties of the matrix for certain types of problem, the presolved values may be returned instead. In this section we provide a few notes on how such confusion may be best avoided. If you are unsure if the matrix is in a presolved state or not, check the PRESOLVESTATE attribute

5.2.1 Linear Programming Problems

For a linear problem, presolve is called as a default by the XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) and XPRSminim (MINIM) routines, tidying the matrix before the main optimization algorithm is invoked. Following optimization, the whole matrix is automatically *postsolved* to recover a solution to the original problem and restoring the original matrix. Consequently, either before optimization or immediately following solution the full matrix may be viewed and altered as described above, being in its original form.

If for some reason the optimization is interrupted before it has completed, either using the CTRL-C key combination, or due to insufficient LPITERLIMIT or MAXTIME settings, then the problem will remain in its presolved form. The problem may be returned to its original state by calling XPRSpostsolve (POSTSOLVE).

5.2.2 (Mixed) Integer Programming Problems

If a model contains global entities, integer presolve methods such as bound tightening and coefficient tightening are also applied to tighten the LP relaxation. A simple example of this might be if the matrix has a binary variable x and one of the constraints of the matrix is $x \le 0.2$. It follows that x can be fixed at zero since it can never take the value x. If presolve uses the global entities to alter the matrix in this way, then the LP relaxation is said to have been *tightened*. For Console users, notice of this is sent to the screen; for library users it may be sent to a callback function, or printed to the log file if one has been set up. In such circumstances, the optimal objective function value of the LP relaxation for a presolved matrix may be different from that for the unpresolved matrix.

The strict LP solution to a model with global entities can be obtained by specifying the 1 flag with the XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) command. This removes the global constraints from the variables, preventing the LP relaxation being tightened and solves the resulting matrix. In the example above, x would not be fixed at 0, but allowed to range between 0 and 0.2. If you are not interested in the LP relaxation, then it is slightly more efficient to solve the LP relaxation and do the global search in one go, which can be done by specifying the g flag for the XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) command.

When XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) finds an integer solution, it is postsolved and saved in memory. The solution can be read with the XPRSgetmipsol function. A permanent copy can be saved to a solution file by calling XPRSwritebinsol (WRITEBINSOL). This can be retrieved later by calling XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL).

After calling XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), the matrix will be postsolved whenever the MIP search has completed. If the MIP search hasn't completed the matrix can be postsolved by calling the XPRSpostsolve (POSTSOLVE) function.

5.2.3 Common Causes of Confusion

It should be noted that most of the library routines described above and in 6, which modify the matrix will not work on a presolved matrix. The only exceptions are that cuts may be added using the cut pool manager and that the variable bounds may be changed (using XPRSchgbounds). Any of these functions expect references to the presolved problem. If one tries to retrieve rows, columns, bounds or the number of these, such information will come from the presolved matrix and not the original. A few functions exist which are specifically designed to work with presolved and scaled matrices, although care should be exercised in using them. Examples of these include the commands XPRSgetpresolvebasis,

 ${\tt XPRSgetscaledinfeas, XPRSloadpresolve basis} \ \textbf{and} \ {\tt XPRSloadpresolve dirs.}$

5.3 Using the Callbacks

5.3.1 Optimizer Output

Console users are constantly provided with information on the standard output device by the Optimizer as it searches for a solution to the current problem. The same output is also available to library users if a log file has been set up using XPRSsetlogfile. However, whilst Console users can respond to this information as it is produced and allow it to influence their session, the same is not immediately true for library users, since their program must be written and compiled before the session is initiated. For such users, a more interactive alternative to the above forms of output is provided by the use of *callback functions*.

The library callbacks are a collection of functions which allow user-defined routines to be specified to the Optimizer. In this way, users may define their own routines which should be called at various stages during the optimization process, prompting the Optimizer to return to the user's program before continuing with the solution algorithm. Perhaps the three most general of the callback functions are those associated with the search for an LP solution. However, by far the vast majority of situations in which such routines might be called are associated with

the global search, and will be addressed below.

5.3.2 LP Search Callbacks

In place of catching the standard output from the Optimizer and saving it to a log file, the callback XPRSsetcbmessage allows the user to define a routine which should be called every time a text line is output by the Optimizer. Since this returns the status of each message output, the user's routine could test for error or warning messages and take appropriate action accordingly.

Alternatively, the pair of functions XPRSsetcblplog and XPRSsetcbbarlog allow the user to respond after each iteration of either the simplex or barrier algorithms respectively. The controls LPLOG and BAROUTPUT may additionally be set to reduce the frequency at which this routine should be called.

5.3.3 Global Search Callbacks

When a problem with global entities is to be optimized, a large number of LP problems, called nodes, must typically be solved as part of the global tree search. At various points in this process user-defined routines can be called, depending on the callback that is used to specify the routine to the Optimizer. Such a routine may be called whenever a new node is selected using XPRSsetcbprenode, and could be used to change the choice of node. Routines could be specified using either of the XPRSsetcboptnode or XPRSsetcbintsol callbacks, to be invoked whenever an optimal solution or an integer solution is found at a particular node, or using XPRSsetcbinfnode for when a node is found to be infeasible. Whenever a node is cut off as a result of an improved integer solution being found, a routine may be called if specified using XPRSsetcbnodecutoff. Using XPRSsetcbchgbranch or XPRSsetcbchgnode, routines can be specified to be invoked whenever a new branching variable is set or whenever the code backtracks to select a new node. Perhaps more technically, XPRSsetcbsepnode and XPRSsetcbestimate may specify routines determining how to separate on a node or obtaining the estimated degradation at each node from branching on the user's global entities.

The final global callback, XPRSsetcbgloballog, is more similar to the LP search callbacks, allowing a user's routine to be called whenever a line of the global log is printed. The frequency with which this occurs is set by the control MIPLOG.

5.4 Working with the Cut Manager

5.4.1 Cuts and the Cut Pool

The global search for a solution of a (mixed) integer problem involves optimization of a large number of LP problems, known as *nodes*. This process is often made more efficient by supplying additional rows (constraints) to the matrix which reduce the size of the feasible region, whilst ensuring that it still contains any optimal integer solution. Such additional rows are called *cutting planes*, or *cuts*.

By default, cuts are automatically added to the matrix by the Optimizer during a global search to speed up the solution process. However, for advanced users, the Optimizer library provides greater freedom, allowing the possibility of choosing which cuts are to be added at particular nodes, or removing cuts entirely. The cutting planes themselves are held in a *cut pool*, which may be manipulated using library functions.

Cuts may be added directly to the matrix at a particular node, or may be stored in the cut pool first before subsequently being loaded into the matrix. It often makes little difference which of these two approaches are adopted, although as a general rule if cuts are cheap to generate, it may be preferable to add the cuts directly to the matrix and delete any redundant cuts after each sub-problem (node) has been optimized. Any cuts added to the matrix at a node and not deleted at that node will automatically be added to the cut pool. If you wish to save all the cuts that are generated, it is better to add the cuts to the cut pool first. Cuts can then be

loaded into the matrix from the cut pool. This approach has the advantage that the cut pool routines can be used to identify duplicate cuts and save only the stronger cuts.

To help you keep track of the cuts that have been added to the matrix at different nodes, the cuts can be classified according to a user-defined *cut type*. The cut type can either be a number such as the node number or it can be a bit map. In the latter case each bit of the cut type may be used to indicate a property of the cut. For example cuts could be classified as local cuts applicable at the current node and its descendants, or as global cuts applicable at all nodes. If the first bit of the cut type is set this could indicate a local cut and if the second bit is set this could indicate a global cut. Other bits of the cut type could then be used to signify other properties of the cuts. The advantage of using bit maps is that all cuts with a particular property can easily be selected, for example all local cuts.

5.4.2 Cut Management Routines

Cuts may be added directly into the matrix at the current node using XPRSaddcuts. Any cuts added to the matrix at a node will be automatically added to the cut pool and hence restored at descendant nodes unless specifically deleted at that node, using XPRSdelcuts. Cuts may be deleted from a parent node which have been automatically restored, as well as those added to the current node using XPRSaddcuts, or loaded from the cut pool using XPRSloadcuts.

It is usually best to delete only those cuts with basic slacks, or else the basis will no longer be valid and it may take many iterations to recover an optimal basis. If the second argument to XPRSdelcuts is set to 1, this will ensure that cuts with non-basic slacks will not be deleted, even if the other controls specify that they should be. It is highly recommended that this is always set to 1.

Cuts may be saved directly to the cut pool using the function XPRSstorecuts. Since cuts added to the cut pool are *not* automatically added to the matrix at the current node, any such cut must be explicitly loaded into the matrix using XPRSloadcuts before it can become active. If the third argument of XPRSstorecuts is set to 1, the cut pool will be checked for duplicate cuts with a cut type identical to the cuts being added. If a duplicate cut is found, the new cut will only be added if its right hand side value makes the cut stronger. If the cut in the cut pool is weaker than the added cut, it will be removed unless it has already been applied to active nodes of the tree. If, instead, this argument is set to 2, the same test is carried out on all cuts, ignoring the cut type. The routine XPRSdelcpcuts allows the user to remove cuts from the cut pool, unless they have already been applied to active nodes in the Branch and Bound tree.

A list of cuts in the cut pool may be obtained using the command XPRSgetcpcuts, whilst XPRSgetcpcutlist returns a list of their indices. A list of those cuts which are active at the current node may be returned using XPRSgetcutlist.

5.4.3 User Cut Manager Routines

Users may also write their own cut manager routines to be called at various points during the Branch and Bound search. Such routines must be defined in advance using library function calls, similar to callbacks and are defined according to the frequency at which they should be called. At the beginning of the process a cut manager initialization routine may be called and should be specified using XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr. In the same way, at the end of the process, XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr allows the specification of a termination routine. The command XPRSsetcbcutmgr allows the definition of a routine which may be called at each node in the tree.

Further details of these functions may be found in 6 within the functional reference which follows.

5.5 Goal Programming

5.5.1 Overview

Goal programming is an extension of linear programming in which targets are specified for a set of constraints. In goal programming there are two basic models: the *pre-emptive* (lexicographic) model and the *Archimedian* model. In the pre-emptive model, goals are ordered according to priorities. The goals at a certain priority level are considered to be infinitely more important than the goals at the next level. With the Archimedean model, weights or penalties for not achieving targets must be specified and one attempts to minimize the weighted sum of goal under-achievement.

In the Optimizer, goals can be constructed either from constraints or from objective functions (N rows). If constraints are used to construct the goals, then the goals are to minimize the violation of the constraints. The goals are met when the constraints are satisfied. In the preemptive case we try to meet as many goals as possible, taking them in priority order. In the Archimedean case, we minimize a weighted sum of penalties for not meeting each of the goals. If the goals are constructed from N rows, then, in the pre-emptive case, a target for each N row is calculated from the optimal value for the N row. this may be done by specifying either a percentage or absolute deviation that may be allowed from the optimal value for the N rows. In the Archimedean case, the problem becomes a multi-objective linear programming problem in which a weighted sum of the objective functions is to be minimized.

In this section four examples will be provided of the four different types of goal programming available. Goal programming itself is performed using the XPRSgoal (GOAL) command, whose syntax is described in full in the reference section of this manual.

5.5.2 Pre-emptive Goal Programming Using Constraints

For this case, goals are ranked from most important to least important. Initially we try to satisfy the most important goal. Then amongst all the solutions that satisfy the first goal, we try to come as close as possible to satisfying the second goal. We continue in this fashion until the only way we can come closer to satisfying a goal is to increase the deviation from a higher priority goal.

An example of this is as follows:

goal 1 (G1):	7x + 3y	<u> </u>	40
goal 2 (G2):	10x + 5y	=	60
goal 3 (G3):	5x + 4y	\leq	35
LIMIT:	100x + 60y	\leq	600

Initially we try to meet the first goal (G1), which can be done with x=5.0 and y=1.6, but this solution does not satisfy goal 2 (G2) or goal 3 (G3). If we try to meet goal 2 while still meeting goal 1, the solution x=6.0 and y=0.0 will satisfy. However, this does not satisfy goal 3, so we repeat the process. On this occasion no solution exists which satisfies all three.

5.5.3 Archimedian Goal Programming Using Constraints

We must now minimize a weighted sum of violations of the constraints. Suppose that we have the following problem, this time with penalties attached:

				Penalties
goal 1 (G1):	7x + 3y	\geq	40	8
goal 2 (G2):	10x + 5y	=	60	3
goal 3 (G3):	5x + 4y	\leq	35	1
LIMIT:	100x + 60y	\leq	600	

Then the solution will be the solution of the following problem:

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minimize: 8d_1 + 3d_2 + 3d_3 + 1d_4

subject to: 7x + 3y + d_1 \ge 40

10x + 5y + d_2 - d_3 = 60

5x + 4y + d_4 \ge 35

100x + 60y \le 600

d_1 \ge 0, d_2 \ge 0, d_3 \ge 0, d_4 \ge 0
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In this case a penalty of 8 units is incurred for each unit that 7x + 3y is less than 40 and so on. the final solution will minimize the weighted sum of the penalties. Penalties are also referred to as weights. This solution will be x=6, y=0, $d_1=d_2=d_3=0$ and $d_4=5$, which means that the first and second most important constraints can be met, while for the third constraint the right hand side must be reduced by 5 units in order to be met.

Note that if the problem is infeasible after all the goal constraints have been relaxed, then no solution will be found.

5.5.4 Pre-emptive Goal Programming Using Objective Functions

Suppose that we now have a set of objective functions of which we know which are the most important. As in the pre-emptive case with constraints, goals are ranked from most to least important. Initially we find the optimal value of the first goal. Once we have found this value we turn this objective function into a constraint such that its value does not differ from its optimal value by more than a certain amount. This can be a *fixed* amount (or *absolute* deviation) or a percentage of (or relative deviation from) the optimal value found before. Now we optimize the next goal (the second most important objective function) and so on.

For example, suppose we have the following problem:

				Sense	D/P	Deviation
goal 1 (OBJ1):	5x + 2y	-	20	max	Р	10
goal 2 (OBJ2):	-3x + 15y	-	48	min	D	4
goal 3 (OBJ3):	1.5x + 21y	-	3.8	max	Р	20
LIMIT:	42x + 13y	\leq	100			

For each N row the sense of the optimization (max or min) and the percentage (P) or absolute (D) deviation must be specified. For OBJ1 and OBJ3 a percentage deviation of 10% and 20% respectively have been specified, whilst for OBJ2 an absolute deviation of 4 units has been specified.

We start by maximizing the first objective function, finding that the optimal value is -4.615385. As a 10% deviation has been specified, we change this objective function into the following constraint:

```
5x + 2y - 20 \ge -4.615385 - 0.14.615385
```

Now that we know that for any solution the value for the former objective function must be within 10% of the best possible value, we minimize the next most important objective function (OBJ2) and find the optimal value to be 51.133603. Goal 2 (OBJ2) may then be changed into a constraint such that:

$$-3x + 15y - 48 \le 51.133603 + 4$$

and in this way we ensure that for any solution, the value of this objective function will not be greater than the best possible minimum value plus 4 units.

Finally we have to maximize OBJ3. An optimal value of 141.943995 will be obtained. Since a 20% allowable deviation has been specified, this objective function may be changed into the following constraint:

$$1.5x + 21y - 3.8 \ge 141.943995 - 0.2141.943995$$

The solution of this problem is x=0.238062 and y=6.923186.

5.5.5 Archimedian Goal Programming Using Objective Functions

In this, the final case, we optimize a weighted sum of objective functions. In other words we solve a multi-objective problem. For consider the following:

				Weights	Sense
goal 1 (OBJ1):	5x + 2y	-	20	100	max
goal 2 (OBJ2):	-3x + 15y	-	48	1	min
goal 3 (OBJ3):	1.5x + 21y	-	3.8	0.01	max
LIMIT:	42x + 13y	\leq	100		

In this case we have three different objective functions that will be combined into a single objective function by weighting them by the values given in the *weights* column. The solution of this model is one that minimizes:

$$1(-3x + 15y - 48) - 100(5x + 2y - 20) - 0.01(1.5x + 21y - 3.8)$$

The resulting values that each of the objective functions will have are as follows:

OBJ1:	5x + 2y - 20	=	-4.615389
OBJ2:	-3x + 15y - 48	=	67.384613
OBJ3:	1.5x + 21y - 3.8	=	157.738464

The solution is x=0.0 and y=7.692308.

Chapter 6

Console and Library Functions

A large number of routines are available for both Console and Library users of the Xpress-Optimizer, ranging from simple routines for the input and solution of problems from matrix files to sophisticated callback functions and greater control over the solution process. Of these, the core functionality is available to both sets of users and comprises the 'Console Mode'. Library users additionally have access to a set of more 'advanced' functions, which extend the functionality provided by the Console Mode, providing more control over their program's interaction with the Optimizer and catering for more complicated problem development.

6.1 Console Mode Functions

With both the Console and Advanced Mode functions described side-by-side in this chapter, library users can use this as a quick reference for the full capabilities of the Optimizer library. For users of Console Xpress, only the following functions will be of relevance:

Command	Description	Page
CHECKCONVEXITY	Convexity checker.	p. <mark>63</mark>
DUMPCONTROLS	Displays the list of controls and their current value for those conhave been set to a non default value.	ntrols that p. 86
EXIT	Terminate the Console Optimizer.	p. <mark>87</mark>
HELP	Quick reference help for the optimizer console	p. 175
IIS	Console IIS command.	p. 176
PRINTRANGE	Writes the ranging information to screen.	p. 222
PRINTSOL	Write the current solution to screen.	p. 223
QUIT	Terminate the Console Optimizer.	p. 224
STOP	Terminate the Console Optimizer.	p. 278
ALTER	Alters or changes matrix elements, right hand sides and constrain the current problem.	t senses in p. 60
BASISCONDITION	Calculates the condition number of the current basis after solving laxation.	the LP re- p. 61
FIXGLOBAL	Fixes all the global entities to the values of the last found MIP solu is useful for finding the reduced costs for the continuous variable global variables have been fixed to their optimal values.	
GETMESSAGESTATUS	Manages suppression of messages.	p. 140
GLOBAL	Starts the global search for an integer solution after solving the ation with XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) or continuous search if it has been interrupted.	
GOAL	Perform goal programming.	p. 173
LPOPTIMIZE	This function begins a search for the optimal LP solution by calling X or XPRSmaxim depending on the value of OBJSENSE. The "I" fl. passed to XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim so that the problem will be so LP.	ag will be
MAXIM, MINIM	Begins a search for the optimal LP solution.	p. 214

MIPOPTIMIZE	This function begins a search for the optimal MIP solution by calling XI or XPRSmaxim depending on the value of OBJSENSE. The "g" flag passed to XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim so that the global search will formed.	will be
POSTSOLVE	Postsolve the current matrix when it is in a presolved state.	p. 219
RANGE	Calculates the ranging information for a problem and saves it to the ranging file problem_name.rng.	e binary p. <mark>225</mark>
READBASIS	Instructs the Optimizer to read in a previously saved basis from a file.	p. 226
READBINSOL	Reads a solution from a binary solution file.	p. 227
READDIRS	Reads a directives file to help direct the global search.	p. 228
READPROB	Reads an (X)MPS or LP format matrix from file.	p. 230
READSLXSOL	Reads an ASCII solution file (.slx) created by the XPRSwriteslxsol for p. 232	unction.
REPAIRINFEAS	Provides a simplified interface for XPRS repairweighted infeas.	p. 233
RESTORE	Restores the Optimizer's data structures from a file created by XPRSsav Optimization may then recommence from the point at which the file ated.	
SAVE	Saves the current data structures, i.e. matrices, control settings and pattribute settings to file and terminates the run so that optimization resumed later.	
SCALE	Re-scales the current matrix.	p. 241
SETLOGFILE	This directs all Optimizer output to a log file.	p. 274
SETMESSAGESTATUS	Manages suppression of messages.	p. 275
SETPROBNAME	Sets the current default problem name. This command is rarely used.	p. 276
WRITEBASIS	Writes the current basis to a file for later input into the Optimizer.	p. 282
WRITEBINSOL	Writes the current MIP or LP solution to a binary solution file for latinto the Optimizer.	er input p. <mark>283</mark>
WRITEDIRS	Writes the global search directives from the current problem to a d file.	irectives p. <mark>284</mark>
WRITEPROB	Writes the current problem to an MPS or LP file.	p. 285
WRITEPRTRANGE	Writes the ranging information to a fixed format ASCII file, problem_r The binary range file (.rng) must already exist, created by XPRSrange (lp. 286	
WRITEPRTSOL	Writes the current solution to a fixed format ASCII file, problem_na p. 287	me .prt.
WRITERANGE	Writes the ranging information to a CSV format ASCII file, problem_r (and .hdr). The binary range file (.rng) must already exist, created by X (RANGE) and an associated header file.	
WRITESLXSOL	Creates an ASCII solution file (.slx) using a similar format to MPS file files can be read back into the optimizer using the XPRSreadslxsol fip. 290	
WRITESOL	Writes the current solution to a CSV format ASCII file, problem_namehdr).	asc (and p. <mark>291</mark>

For a list of functions by task, refer to 2.9.

6.2 Layout For Function Descriptions

All functions mentioned in this chapter are described under the following set of headings:

Function Name

The description of each routine starts on a new page for the sake of clarity. The library name for a function is on the left and the Console Xpress name, where relevant, is on the right.

Purpose

A short description of the routine and its purpose begins the information section.

Synopsis

A synopsis of the syntax for usage of the routine is provided. "Optional" arguments and flags may be specified as <code>NULL</code> if not required. Where this possibility exists, it will be described alongside the argument, or in the Further Information at the end of the routine's description. Where the function forms part of the Console Mode, the library syntax is described first, followed by the Console Xpress syntax.

Arguments

A list of arguments to the routine with a description of possible values for them follows.

Error Values

Optimizer return codes are described in 9. For library users, however, a return code of 32 indicates that additional error information may be obtained, specific to the function which caused the error. Such is available by calling

```
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ERRORCODE, &errorcode);
```

Likely error values returned by this for each function are listed in the Error Values section. A description of the error may be obtained using the XPRSgetlasterror function. If no attention need be drawn to particular error values, this section will be omitted.

Associated Controls

Controls which affect a given routine are listed next, separated into lists by type. The control name given here should have XPRS_ prefixed by library users, in a similar way to the XPRSgetintattrib example in the Error Values section above. Console Xpress users should use the controls without this prefix, as described in Xpress-MP Getting Started manual. These controls must be set before the routine is called if they are to have any effect.

Examples

One or two examples are provided which explain certain aspects of the routine's use.

Further Information

Additional information not contained elsewhere in the routine's description is provided at the end.

Related Topics

Finally a list of related routines and topics is provided for comparison and reference.

XPRS_ge_getlasterror

Purpose

Returns the error message corresponding to the last error encountered by any object in the library.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_ge_getlasterror(XPRSprob prob, char *errmsg);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

errmsg A 512 character buffer where the last error message will be returned.

Example

The following shows how this function might be used in error-checking:

where the main function might contain lines such as:

```
XPRSprob prob;
...
if(XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", ""))
error(prob, "XPRSreadprob");
```

Related topics

XPRS_ge_setcbmsghandler,

XPRS_ge_setcbmsghandler

Purpose

Declares an output callback function, called every time a line of message text is output by any object in the library.

Synopsis

Arguments

f_msghandler The callback function which takes six arguments, vXPRSObject, vUserContext, vSystemThreadId, sMsg, iMsgType and iMsgNumber. Use a NULL value to cancel a callback function.

vXPRSObject The object sending the message. Use XPRSgetobjecttypename to get the name of the object type.

vUserContext The user-defined object passed to the callback function.

 ${\tt vSystemThreadId} \quad \textbf{The system id of the thread sending the message caste to a void *.}$

A null terminated character array (string) containing the message, which may simply be a new line. When the callback is called for the first time sMsg will be a NULL pointer.

 ${\tt iMsgType} \quad \textbf{Indicates the type of output message:} \\$

- information messages;
- 2 (not used);
- 3 warning messages;
- 4 error messages.

A negative value means the callback is being called for the first time.

iMsgNumber The number associated with the message. If the message is an error or a warning then you can look up the number in the section Optimizer Error and Warning Messages for advice on what it means and how to resolve the associated issue.

p A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function.

Further information

To send all messages to a log file the built in message handler XPRSlogfilehandler can be used. This can be done with:

```
{\tt XPRS\_ge\_setcbmsghandler} \ ({\tt XPRSlogfilehandler}, \ "log.txt") \ ;
```

Related topics

XPRSgetobjecttypename.

XPRS nml addnames

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. Use the XPRS_nml_addnames to add names to a name list, or modify existing names on a namelist.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_addnames(XPRSnamelist nml, const char buf[], int
    firstIndex, int lastIndex);
```

Arguments

nml The name list to which you want to add names. Must be an object previously returned by XPRS_nml_create, as XPRSnamelist objects returned by other functions are immutable and cannot be changed.

names Character buffer containing the null-terminated string names.

first The index of the first name to add/replace. Name indices in a namelist always start

from 0.

last The index of the last name to add/replace.

Example

```
char mynames[0] = "fred\0jim\0sheila"
...
XPRS_nml_addnames(nml,mynames,0,2);
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_create, XPRS_nml_removenames, XPRS_nml_copynames, XPRSaddnames.

XPRS_nml_copynames

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nml_copynames allows you to copy all the names from one name list to another. As name lists representing row/column names cannot be modified, XPRS_nml_copynames will be most often used to copy such names to a namelist where they can be modified, for some later use.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS CC XPRS nml copynames (XPRSnamelist dst, XPRSnamelist src);
```

Arguments

dst The namelist object to copy names to. Any names already in this name list will be removed. Must be an object previously returned by XPRS_nml_create.

src The namelist object from which all the names should be copied.

Example

```
XPRSprob prob;
XPRSnamelist rnames, rnames_on_prob;
...
/* Create a namelist */
XPRS_nml_create(&rnames);
/* Get a namelist through which we can access the row names */
XPRSgetnamelistobject(prob,1,&rnames_on_prob);
/* Now copy these names from the immutable 'XPRSprob' namelist
    to another one */
XPRS_nml_copynames(rnames,rnames_on_prob);
/* The names in the list can now be modified then put to some
    other use */
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_create, XPRS_nml_addnames, XPRSgetnamelistobject.

XPRS_nml_create

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nml_create will create a new namelist to which the user can add, remove and otherwise modify names.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_create(XPRSnamelist* r_nl);
```

Argument

r_nl Pointer to variable where the new namelist will be returned.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist mylist;
XPRS_nml_create(&mylist);
```

Related topics

XPRSgetnamelistobject, XPRS_nml_destroy.

XPRS_nml_destroy

Purpose

Destroys a namelist and frees any memory associated with it. Note you need only destroy namelists created by XPRS_nml_destroy - those returned by XPRSgetnamelistobject are automatically destroyed when you destroy the problem object.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_destroy(XPRSnamelist nml);
```

Argument

nml The namelist to be destroyed.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist mylist;
XPRS_nml_create(&mylist);
...
XPRS_nml_destroy(&mylist);
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_create, XPRSgetnamelistobject, XPRSdestroyprob.

XPRS_nml_findname

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nml_findname returns the index of the given name in the given name list.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_findname(XPRSnamelist nml, const char* name, int*
    r_index);
```

Arguments

nml The namelist in which to look for the name.

name Null-terminated string containing the name for which to search.

 r_index Pointer to variable in which the index of the name is returned, or in which is re-

turned -1 if the name is not found in the namelist.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist mylist;
int idx;
...
XPRS_nml_findname(mylist, "profit_after_work", &idx);
if (idx==-1)
  printf("'profit_after_work' was not found in the namelist");
else
  printf("'profit_after_work' was found at position %d", idx);
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_addnames, XPRS_nml_getnames.

XPRS_nml_getlasterror

Purpose

Returns the last error encountered during a call to a namelist object.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_getlasterror(XPRSnamelist nml, int* iMsgCode, char*
    _msg, int _iStringBufferBytes, int* _iBytesInInternalString);
```

Arguments

nml The namelist object.

iMsgCode Variable in which will be returned the error code. Can be NULL if not required.

_msg A character buffer of size iStringBufferBytes in which will be returned the last error message relating to this namelist.

_iStringBufferBytes The size of the character buffer _msg.

_iBytesInInternalString The size of the required character buffer to fully return the error string.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist nml;
char* cbuf;
int cbuflen;
...
if (XPRS_nml_removenames(nml,2,35)) {
   XPRS_nml_getlasterror(nml, NULL, NULL, 0, &cbuflen);
   cbuf = malloc(cbuflen);
   XPRS_nml_getlasterror(nml, NULL, cbuf, cbuflen, NULL);
   printf("ERROR removing names: %s\n", cbuflen);
}
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_getmaxnamelen

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nml_getmaxnamelen returns the length of the longest name in the namelist.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_getmaxnamelen(XPRSnamelist nml, int* namlen);

Arguments

nml The namelist object.

namelen Pointer to a variable into which shall be written the length of the longest name.

Related topics

XPRS_nml_getnamecount

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nlm_getnamecount returns the number of names in the namelist.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_getnamecount(XPRSnamelist nml, int* count);
```

Arguments

nml The namelist object.

count Pointer to a variable into which shall be written the number of names.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist mylist;
int count;
...
XPRS_nml_getnamecount(mylist,&count);
printf("There are %d names", count);
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_getnames

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. The XPRS_nml_getnames function returns some of the names held in the name list. The names shall be returned in a character buffer, and with each name being separated by a NULL character.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_getnames(XPRSnamelist nml, int padlen, char buf[],
    int buflen, int* r_buflen_reqd, int firstIndex, int lastIndex);
```

Arguments

buf

nml The namelist object.

padlen The minimum length of each name. If >0 then names shorter than padlen will be

concatenated with whitespace to make them this length.

Buffer of length buflen into which the names shall be returned.

buflen The maximum number of bytes that may be written to the character buffer buf.

r_buflen_reqd A pointer to a variable into which will be written the number of bytes required to contain the names. May be NULL if not required.

firstIndex The index of the first name in the namelist to return. Note name list indexes always start from 0.

lastIndex The index of the last name in the namelist to return.

Example

```
XPRSnamelist mylist;
char* cbuf;
int o, i, cbuflen;
...
/* Find out how much space we'll require for these names */
XPRS_nml_getnames(mylist, 0, NULL, 0, &cbuflen, 0, 5);
/* Allocate a buffer large enough to hold the names */
cbuf = malloc(cbuflen);
/* Retrieve the names */
XPRS_nml_getnames(mylist, 0, cbuf, cbuflen, NULL, 0, 5);
/* Display the names */
o=0;
for (i=0;i<6;i++) {
  printf("Name #%d = %s\n", i, cbuf+o);
  o += strlen(cbuf)+1;
}</pre>
```

Related topics

XPRS nml removenames

Purpose

The XPRS_nml_* functions provide a simple, generic interface to lists of names, which may be names of rows/columns on a problem or may be a list of arbitrary names provided by the user. XPRS_nml_removenames will remove the specified names from the name list. Any subsequent names will be moved down to replace the removed names.

Synopsis

Arguments

nml The name list to which you want to add names. Must be an object previously returned by XPRS_nml_create, as XPRSnamelist objects returned by other functions are immutable and cannot be changed.

firstIndex The index of the first name to remove. Note that indices for names in a name list always start from 0.

lastIndex The index of the last name to remove.

Example

```
XPRS_nml_removenames(mylist, 3, 5);
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_addnames.

XPRS_nml_setcbmsghandler

Purpose

Declares an output callback function, called every time a line of message text is output by a name list object.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRS_nml_setcbmsghandler(XPRSnamelist nml,
    int (XPRS_CC *f_msghandler)(XPRSobject vXPRSObject, void*
    vUserContext, void* vSystemThreadId, const char* sMsg, int
    iMsqType, int iMsqCode), void* p);
```

Arguments

nml The namelist object.

f_msghandler The callback function which takes six arguments, vXPRSObject, vUserContext, vSystemThreadId, sMsg, iMsgType and iMsgNumber. Use a NULL value to cancel a callback function.

vXPRSObject A generic pointer to the mse object sending the message.

vUserContext The user-defined object passed to the callback function.

vSystemThreadId The system id of the thread sending the message, casted to a void *.

sMsg A null terminated character array (string) containing the message, which may simply be a new line or a NULL pointer.

iMsqType Indicates the type of output message:

- 1 information messages;
- 2 (not used);
- 3 warning messages;
- 4 error messages.

Indicates the type of output message:

iMsgNumber The number associated with the message. If the message is an error or a warning then you can look up the number in the section Optimizer Error and Warning Messages for advice on what it means and how to resolve the associated issue.

p A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function as the vUserContext argument.

Further information

To send all messages to a log file the built in message handler XPRSlogfilehandler can be used. This can be done with:

```
XPRS_nml_setcbmsghandler(nml, XPRSlogfilehandler, "log.txt");
```

Related topics

XPRS_nml_getnamelistobject

Purpose

Returns an object that allows access to a problems row/column names through the XPRS_-nml_* functions.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem
if row names are required;
if column names are required;
if set names are required.
Pointer to a variable into which shall be returned a name list object through which can be accessed the row/column names. Note that the names in this namelist may not be modified, and also it is not necessary to free this namelist with <pre>XPRS_nml_destroy</pre> .

Example

```
XPRSprob prob;
XPRSnamelist mylist;
int count;
...
/* Get a namelist representing the row names */
XPRSgetnamelistobject(prob, 1, &mylist);
/* Get the count of row names - will be equal to the value of the
XPRS_ROWS attribute */
XPRS_nml_getnamescount(mylist, &count);
printf("We have %d row names", count);
```

Further information

Note that the names in the namelist object returned by <code>XPRSgetnamelistobject</code> cannot be modified - if you need to modify the names, you should use <code>XPRS_nml_copynames</code> to copy them to another namelist and then modify the copy instead. Or if you need to modify the names on the problem, you should use <code>XPRSaddnames</code>.

Related topics

```
XPRSaddnames, XPRSgetnamelist, XPRS_nml_create, XPRS_nml_destroy.
```

XPRSaddcols

Purpose

Allows columns to be added to the matrix after passing it to the Optimizer using the input routines.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSaddcols(XPRSprob prob, int newcol, int newnz, const
    double objx[], const int mstart[], const int mrwind[], const
    double dmatval[], const double bdl[], const double bdu[]);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
newcol	Number of new columns.
newnz	Number of new nonzeros in the added columns.
objx	Double array of length $newcol$ containing the objective function coefficients of the new columns.
mstart	Integer array of length newcol containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column.
mrwind	Integer array of length ${\tt newnz}$ containing the row indices for the elements in each column.
dmatval	Double array of length newnz containing the element values.
bdl	Double array of length newcol containing the lower bounds on the added columns.
bdu	Double array of length newcol containing the upper bounds on the added columns.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS	Number of extra columns to be allowed for.
EXTRAELEMS	Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.
EXTRAMIPENTS	Number of extra global entities to be allowed for.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

In this example, we consider the two problems:

(a)	maximize:	2x + y			(b)	maximize:	2x + y + 3z		
	subject to:	x + 4y	\leq	24		subject to:	x + 4y + 2z	\leq	24
		у	\leq	5			y + z	\leq	5
		3x + y	\leq	20			3x + y	\leq	20
		x + y	\leq	9			x + y + 3	\leq	9
							Z	\leq	12

Using XPRSaddcols, the following transforms (a) into (b) and then names the new variable using XPRSaddnames:

```
obj[0] = 3;
mstart[] = {0};
mrwind[] = {0, 1, 3};
matval[] = {2.0, 1.0, 3.0};
bdl[0] = 0.0; bdu[0] = 12.0;
...
XPRSaddcols(prob,1,3,obj,mstart,mrwind,matval,bdl,bdu);
XPRSaddnames(prob,2,"z",2,2);
```

Further information

- 1. For maximum efficiency, space for the extra rows and elements should be reserved by setting the EXTRACOLS, EXTRAELEMS and EXTRAMIPENTS controls before loading the problem.
- 2. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY defined in the library header file can be used to represent plus and minus infinity respectively in the bound arrays.
- 3. If the columns are added to a MIP problem then they will be continuous variables.

Related topics

XPRSaddnames, XPRSaddrows, XPRSalter, XPRSdelcols.

XPRSaddcuts

Purpose

Adds cuts directly to the matrix at the current node. Any cuts added to the matrix at the current node and not deleted at the current node will be automatically added to the cut pool. The cuts added to the cut pool will be automatically restored at descendant nodes.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.			
ncuts	Number of cuts to add.			
mtype	Integer array of length ncuts containing the cut types. The cut types can be any positive integer chosen by the user, and are used to identify the cuts in other cut manager routines using user supplied parameters. The cut type can be interpreted as an integer or a bitmap - see XPRSdelcuts.			
qrtype drhs	Character array of length ncuts containing the row types: L indicates a ≤ row; G indicates ≥ row; E indicates an = row. Double array of length ncuts containing the right hand side elements for the cuts.			
mstart	Integer array containing offset into the mcols and dmatval arrays indicating the start of each cut. This array is of length ncuts+1 with the last element, mstart[ncuts], being where cut ncuts+1 would start.			
mcols	Integer array of length mstart[ncuts] containing the column indices in the cuts.			
dmatval	Double array of length mstart [ncuts] containing the matrix values for the cuts.			

Related controls

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Further information

- 1. The columns and elements of the cuts must be stored contiguously in the mcols and dmatval arrays passed to XPRSaddcuts. The starting point of each cut must be stored in the mstart array. To determine the length of the final cut, the mstart array must be of length ncuts+1 with the last element of this array containing the position in mcols and dmatval where the cut ncuts+1 would start. mstart [ncuts] denotes the number of nonzeros in the added cuts.
- 2. The cuts added to the matrix are always added at the end of the matrix and the number of rows is always set to the original number of cuts added. If ncuts have been added, then the rows 0,...,ROWS-ncuts-1 are the original rows, whilst the rows ROWS-ncuts,...,ROWS-1 are the added cuts. The number of cuts can be found by consulting the CUTS problem attribute.

Related topics

XPRSaddrows, XPRSdelcpcuts, XPRSdelcuts, XPRSgetcpcutlist, XPRSgetcutlist, XPRSloadcuts, XPRSstorecuts, **5.4**.

XPRSaddnames

Purpose

When a model is loaded, the rows, columns and sets of the model may not have names associated with them. This may not be important as the rows, columns and sets can be referred to by their sequence numbers. However, if you wish row, column and set names to appear in the ASCII solutions files, the names for a range of rows or columns can be added with XPRSaddnames.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSaddnames(XPRSprob prob, int type, const char cnames[],
    int first, int last);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

type 1 for row names;
2 for column names.
3 for set names.

Character buffer containing the null-terminated string names - each name may be at most MPSNAMELENGTH+1 characters including the compulsory null terminator. If this control is to be changed, this must be done before loading the problem.

first Start of the range of rows, columns or sets.

End of the range of rows, columns or sets.
```

Related controls

Integer

MPSNAMELENGTH Maximum name length in characters.

Example

Add variable names (a and b), objective function (profit) and constraint names (first and second) to a problem:

```
char rnames[] = "profit\0first\0second"
char cnames[] = "a\0b";
...
XPRSaddnames(prob,1,rnames,0,nrow-1);
XPRSaddnames(prob,2,cnames,0,ncol-1);
```

Related topics

XPRSaddcols, XPRSaddrows, XPRSgetnames.

XPRSaddqmatrix

Purpose

Adds a new quadratic matrix into a row defined by triplets.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSaddqmatrix(XPRSprob prob, int irow, int nqtr, const int
    mqc1[], const int mqc2[], const double dqe[]);
```

Arguments

```
The current problem.

Index of the row where the quadratic matrix is to be added.

Number of triplets used to define the quadratic matrix. This may be less than the number of coefficients in the quadratic matrix, since off diagonals and their transposed pairs are defined by one triplet.

Magcol Second index in the triplets.

Coefficients in the triplets.
```

Further information

- 1. The triplets should define the whole quadratic expression. This means, that to add $[\hat{x}^2 + 4 xy]$ the dge arrays shall contain the coefficients 1 and 4.
- 2. The matrix defined by mqc1, mqc2 and dqe should be positive semi-definite for \neq and negative semi-definite for \neq rows.
- 3. The row must not be an equality or a ranged row.

Related topics

```
XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSgetqrowcoeff, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets, XPRSgetqrows, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSqetqobj.
```

XPRSaddrows

Purpose

Allows rows to be added to the matrix after passing it to the Optimizer using the input routines.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.					
newrow	Number of new rows.					
newnz	Number of new nonzeros in the added rows.					
qrtype	Character array of length newrow containing the row types: Indicates a \leq row;					
	G indicates \geq row;					
	E indicates an = row.					
	R indicates a range constraint;					
	N indicates a nonbinding constraint.					
rhs	Double array of length newrow containing the right hand side elements.					
range	Integer array of length <code>newrow</code> containing the offsets in the <code>mclind</code> and <code>dmatval</code> arrays of the start of the elements for each row. This may be <code>NULL</code> if there are no ranged constraints. The values in the <code>range</code> array will only be read for <code>R</code> type rows. The entries for other type rows will be ignored.					
mstart	Integer array of length newrow containing the offsets in the mclind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each row.					
mclind	Integer array of length ${\tt newnz}$ containing the (contiguous) column indices for the elements in each row.					

dmatval Double array of length newnz containing the (contiguous) element values.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRAELEMS Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

Suppose the current problem was:

maximize:	2x + y + 3z		
subject to:	x + 4y + 2z	\leq	24
	y + z	\leq	5
	3x + y	\leq	20
	x + y + 3z	\leq	9

Then the following adds the row $8x + 9y + 10z \le 25$ to the problem and names it NewRow:

```
qrtype[0] = "L";
rhs[0] = 25.0;
mstart[] = {0};
mclind[] = {0, 1, 2};
dmatval[] = {8.0, 9.0, 10.0};
```

XPRSaddrows(prob,1,3,qrtype,rhs,NULL,mstart,mclind, dmatval);
XPRSaddnames(prob,1,"NewRow",4,4);

Further information

For maximum efficiency, space for the extra rows and elements should be reserved by setting the EXTRAROWS and EXTRAELEMS controls before loading the problem.

Related topics

XPRSaddcols, XPRSaddcuts, XPRSaddnames, XPRSdelrows.

XPRSaddsets

Purpose

Allows sets to be added to the problem after passing it to the Optimizer using the input routines.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem. prob newsetsx Number of new sets. Number of new nonzeros in the added sets. Character array of length newsets containing the set types: qrtype indicates a SOS1; 1 indicates a SOS2; 2 Integer array of length newsets+1 containing the offsets in the mclind and dref msstart arrays of the start of the elements for each set. Integer array of length newnz containing the (contiguous) column indices for the mclind elements in each set. Double array of length newnz containing the (contiguous) reference values. dref

Related topics

XPRSdelsets.

XPRSaddsetnames

Purpose

When a model with global entities is loaded, any special ordered sets may not have names associated with them. If you wish names to appear in the ASCII solutions files, the names for a range of sets can be added with this function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

names Character buffer containing the null-terminated string names - each name may be at most MPSNAMELENGTH+1 characters including the compulsory null terminator. If this control is to be changed, this must be done before loading the problem.

first Start of the range of sets.
last End of the range of sets.

Related controls

Integer

MPSNAMELENGTH Maximum name length in characters.

Example

Add set names (set1 and set2) to a problem:

```
char snames[] = "set1\0set2"
...
XPRSaddsetnames(prob, snames, 0, 1);
```

Related topics

XPRSaddnames, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgglobal.

XPRSalter ALTER

Purpose

Alters or changes matrix elements, right hand sides and constraint senses in the current problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSalter(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename);
ALTER [filename]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters specifying the file to be read. If omitted, the default problem_name is used with a .alt extension.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRAELEMS Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example 1 (Library)

Since the following call does not specify a filename, the file problem_name.alt is read in, from which commands are taken to alter the current matrix.

```
XPRSalter(prob,"");
```

Example 2 (Console)

The following example reads in the file fred.alt, from which instructions are taken to alter the current matrix:

ALTER fred

Further information

- 1. The file filename.alt is read. It is an ASCII file containing matrix revision statements in the format described in A.7. The MODIFY format of the MPS REVISE data is also supported.
- 2. The command XPRSalter (ALTER) and the control EXTRAELEMS work together to enable the user to change values and constraint senses in the problem held in memory. For maximum efficiency, it should be set to reserve space for additional matrix elements. Defining the maximum number of extra elements that can be added, it must be set before XPRSreadprob (READPROB).
- 3. It is not possible to alter an integer model which has been presolved. If it is required to alter such a model after optimization, either turn the presolve off by setting PRESOLVE to 0 prior to optimization, or reread the model with XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

Related topics

A.7.

Purpose

Calculates the condition number of the current basis after solving the LP relaxation.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSbasiscondition(XPRSprob prob, double *condnum, double
    *scondnum);
BASISCONDITION
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

condnum The returned condition number of the current basis.

scondnum The returned condition number of the current basis for the scaled problem.

Example 1 (Library)

Get the condition number after optimizing a problem.

```
XPRSminim(prob, " ");
XPRSbasiscondition(prob,&condnum,&scondnum);
printf("Condition no's are %g %g\n",condnum,scondnum);
```

Example 2 (Console)

Print the condition number after optimizing a problem.

```
READPROB
MINIM
BASISCONDITION
```

Further information

- 1. The condition number of an invertible matrix is the norm of the matrix multiplied with the norm of its inverse. This number is an indication of how accurate the solution can be calculated and how sensitive it is to small changes in the data. The larger the condition number is, the less accurate the solution is likely to become.
- 2. The condition number is shown both for the scaled problem and in parenthesis for the original problem.

XPRSbtran

Purpose

Post-multiplies a (row) vector provided by the user by the inverse of the current basis.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSbtran(XPRSprob prob, double vec[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

vec Double array of length ROWS containing the values by which the basis inverse is to be multiplied. The transformed values will appear in the array.

Related controls

Double

ETATOL

Zero tolerance on eta elements.

Example

Get the (unscaled) tableau row ${\tt z}$ of constraint number ${\tt irow}$, assuming that all arrays have been dimensioned.

Further information

If the matrix is in a presolved state, XPRSbtran will work with the basis for the presolved problem.

Related topics

XPRSftran.

Purpose

Checks if the loaded problem is convex. Applies to quadratic, mixed integer quadratic and quadratically constrained problems. Checking convexity takes some time, thus for problems that are known to be convex it might be reasonable to switch the checking off. Returns an error if the problem is not convex.

Synopsis

CHECKCONVEXITY

Further information

This console function checks the positive semi-definiteness of all quadratic matrices in the problem. Note, that when optimizing a problem, for quadratic programming and mixed integer quadratic problems, the checking of the objective function is performed after presolve, thus it is possible that an otherwise indefinite quadratic matrix will be found positive semi-definite (the indefinite part might have been fixed and dropped by presolve).

Related topics

XPRSmaxim (MAXIM)/XPRSminim (MINIM), IFCHECKCONVEXITY, EIGENVALUETOL.

XPRSchgbounds

Purpose

Used to change the bounds on columns in the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

nbnds Number of bounds to change.

mindex Integer array of size nbnds containing the indices of the columns on which the bounds will change.

qbtype Character array of length nbnds indicating the type of bound to change:

U indicates change the upper bound;

L indicates change the lower bound;

B indicates change both bounds, i.e. fix the column.

Double array of length nbnds giving the new bound values.
```

Example

The following changes column 0 of the current problem to have an upper bound of 0.5:

```
mindex[0] = 0;
qbtype[0] = "U";
bnd[0] = 0.5;
XPRSchgbounds(prob,1,mindex,qbtype,bnd);
```

Further information

- 1. A column index may appear twice in the mindex array so it is possible to change both the upper and lower bounds on a variable in one go.
- 2. XPRSchgbounds may be applied to the problem in a presolved state, in which case it expects references to the presolved problem.
- 3. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY defined in the library header file can be used to represent plus and minus infinity respectively in the bound (bnd) array).
- 4. If the upper bound on a binary variable is changed to be greater than 1 or the lower bound is changed to be less than 0 then the variable will become an integer variable.

Related topics

XPRSgetlb, XPRSgetub, XPRSstorebounds.

XPRSchgcoef

Purpose

Used to change a single coefficient in the matrix. If the coefficient does not already exist, a new coefficient will be added to the matrix. If many coefficients are being added to a row of the matrix, it may be more efficient to delete the old row of the matrix and add a new row.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSchgcoef(XPRSprob prob, int irow, int icol, double dval);

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
irow	Row index for the coefficient.
icol	Column index for the coefficient.
dval	New value for the coefficient. If dval is zero, any existing coefficient will be deleted.

Related controls

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

In the following, the element in row 2, column 1 of the matrix is changed to 0.33:

```
XPRSchgcoef(prob, 2, 1, 0.33);
```

Further information

XPRSchgmcoef is more efficient than multiple calls to XPRSchgcoef and should be used in its place in such circumstances.

Related topics

XPRSaddcols, XPRSaddrows, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgobj, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgrhs, XPRSgetcols, XPRSgetrows.

XPRSchgcoltype

Purpose

Used to change the type of a column in the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

nels Number of columns to change.

mindex Integer array of length nels containing the indices of the columns.

qctype Character array of length nels giving the new column types:

C indicates a continuous column;

B indicates a binary column;

I indicates an integer column.
```

Example

The following changes columns 3 and 5 of the matrix to be integer and binary respectively:

```
mindex[0] = 3; mindex[1] = 5;
qctype[0] = "I"; qctype[1] = "B";
XPRSchgcoltype(prob,2,mindex,qctype);
```

Further information

- 1. The column types can only be changed before the MIP search is started. If XPRSchgcoltype is called after a problem has been presolved, the presolved column numbers must be supplied. It is not possible to change a column into a partial integer, semi-continuous or semi-continuous integer variable.
- 2. Calling XPRSchgcoltype to change any variable into a binary variable causes the bounds previously defined for the variable to be deleted and replaced by bounds of 0 and 1.

Related topics

XPRSaddcols, XPRSchgrowtype, XPRSdelcols, XPRSgetcoltype.

XPRSchgmcoef

Purpose

Used to change multiple coefficients in the matrix. If any coefficient does not already exist, it will be added to the matrix. If many coefficients are being added to a row of the matrix, it may be more efficient to delete the old row of the matrix and add a new one.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSchgmcoef(XPRSprob prob, int nels, const int mrow[], const
   int mcol[], const double dval[]);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
nels	Number of new coefficients.
mrow	Integer array of length ${\tt nels}$ containing the row indices of the coefficients to be changed.
mcol	Integer array of length \mathtt{nels} containing the column indices of the coefficients to be changed.
dval	Double array of length nels containing the new coefficient values. If an element of ${\tt dval}$ is zero, the coefficient will be deleted.

Related controls

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

```
mrow[0] = 0; mrow[1] = 3;
mcol[0] = 1; mcol[1] = 5;
dval[0] = 2.0; dval[1] = 0.0;
XPRSchgmcoef(prob,2,mrow,mcol,dval);
```

This changes two elements to values 2.0 and 0.0.

Further information

XPRSchgmcoef is more efficient than repeated calls to XPRSchgcoef and should be used in its place if many coefficients are to be changed.

Related topics

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgobj, XPRSchgrobj, XPRSchgrhs, XPRSgetcols, XPRSgetrhs.

XPRSchgmqobj

Purpose

Used to change multiple quadratic coefficients in the objective function. If any of the coefficients does not exist already, new coefficients will be added to the objective function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
nels	The number of coefficients to change.
mqcol1	Integer array of size $\verb ncol $ containing the column index of the first variable in each quadratic term.
mqcol2	Integer array of size ${\tt ncol}$ containing the column index of the second variable in each quadratic term.
dval	New values for the coefficients. If an entry in $dval$ is 0, the corresponding entry will be deleted. These are the coefficients of the quadratic Hessian matrix.

Example

The following code results in an objective function with terms: $[6x_1^2 + 3x_1x_2 + 3x_2x_1] / 2$

```
mqcol1[0] = 0; mqcol2[0] = 0; dval[0] = 6.0;
mqcol1[1] = 1; mqcol2[1] = 0; dval[1] = 3.0;
XPRSchgmqobj(prob,2,mqcol1,mqcol2,dval);
```

Further information

- 1. The columns in the arrays mqcol1 and mqcol2 must already exist in the matrix. If the columns do not exist, they must be added with XPRSaddcols.
- 2. XPRSchgmqobj is more efficient than repeated calls to XPRSchgqobj and should be used in its place when several coefficients are to be changed.

Related topics

XPRSchqcoef, XPRSchqmcoef, XPRSchqobj, XPRSchqqobj, XPRSqetqobj.

XPRSchgobj

Purpose

Used to change the objective function coefficients.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.
nels Number of objective function coefficient elements to change.
mindex Integer array of length nels containing the indices of the columns on which the range elements will change. An index of -1 indicates that the fixed part of the objective function on the right hand side should change.

obj Double array of length nels giving the new objective function coefficient.

Example

Changing three coefficients of the objective function with XPRSchgobj:

```
mindex[0] = 0; mindex[1] = 2; mindex[2] = 5;
obj[0] = 25.0; obj[1] = 5.3; obj[2] = 0.0;
XPRSchgobj(prob, 3, mindex, obj);
```

Further information

The value of the fixed part of the objective function can be obtained using the OBJRHS problem attribute.

Related topics

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSgetobj.

XPRSchgqobj

Purpose

Used to change a single quadratic coefficient in the objective function corresponding to the variable pair (icol, jcol) of the Hessian matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSchgqobj(XPRSprob prob, int icol, int jcol, double dval);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
icol	Column index for the first variable in the quadratic term.
jcol	Column index for the second variable in the quadratic term.
dval	New value for the coefficient in the quadratic Hessian matrix. If an entry in dval is 0, the corresponding entry will be deleted.

Example

The following code adds the terms $[6x_1^2 + 3x_1x_2 + 3x_2x_1] / 2$ to the objective function:

```
icol = jcol = 0; dval = 6.0;
XPRSchgqobj(prob,icol,jcol,dval);
icol = 0; jcol = 1; dval = 3.0;
XPRSchgqobj(prob,icol,jcol,dval);
```

Further information

- 1. The columns icol and jcol must already exist in the matrix. If the columns do not exist, they must be added with the routine XPRSaddcols.
- 2. If icol is not equal to jcol, then both the matrix elements (icol, jcol) and (jcol, icol) are changed to leave the Hessian symmetric.

Related topics

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgobj, XPRSgetqobj.

XPRSchgqrowcoeff

Purpose

Changes a single quadratic coefficient in a row.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

irow Index of the row where the quadratic matrix is to be changed.

icol First index of the coefficient to be changed.

jcol Second index of the coefficient to be changed.

dval The new coefficient.
```

Further information

- 1. This function may be used to add new nonzero coefficients, or even to define the whole quadratic expression with it. Doing that however is significantly less efficient than adding the whole expression with XPRSaddqmatrix.
- 2. The row must not be an equality or a ranged row.

Related topics

```
XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSgetqrowcoeff, XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets, XPRSgetqrows, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSgetqobj,.
```

XPRSchgrhs

Purpose

Used to change right hand side elements of the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

nels Number of right hand side elements to change.

mindex Integer array of length nels containing the indices of the rows on which the right

hand side elements will change.

rhs Double array of length nels giving the right hand side values.

Example

Here we change the three right hand sides in rows 2, 6, and 8 to new values:

```
mindex[0] = 2; mindex[1] = 8; mindex[2] = 6;
rhs[0] = 5.0; rhs[1] = 3.8; rhs[2] = 5.7;
XPRSchgrhs(prob, 3, mindex, rhs);
```

Related topics

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSchgrhsrange, XPRSgetrhs, XPRSgetrhsrange.

XPRSchgrhsrange

Purpose

Used to change the range for a row of the problem matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob
 nels
 number of range elements to change.
 mindex
 lnteger array of length nels containing the indices of the rows on which the range elements will change.
 prob
 nng
 Double array of length nels giving the range values.

Example

Here, the constraint $x + y \le 10$ in the problem is changed to $8 \le x + y \le 10$:

```
mindex[0] = 5; rng[0] = 2.0;
XPRSchgrhsrange(prob,1,mindex,rng);
```

Further information

If the range specified on the row is r, what happens depends on the row type and value of r. It is possible to convert non-range rows using this routine.

Value of r	Row type	Effect
$r \geq 0$	= b , $\leq b$	$b-r \leq \sum a_j x_j \leq b$
$r \geq 0$	$\geq m{b}$	$b \leq \sum a_j x_j \leq b + r$
r < 0	= b , $\leq b$	$b \leq \sum a_j x_j \leq b - r$
r < 0	$\geq m{b}$	$b+r \leq \sum a_j x_j \leq b$

Related topics

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSchgrhs, XPRSgetrhsrange.

XPRSchgrowtype

Purpose

Used to change the type of a row in the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
The current problem.
prob
           Number of rows to change.
nels
           Integer array of length nels containing the indices of the rows.
mindex
           Character array of length nels giving the new row types:
qrtype
                  indicates a < row;
           L
                  indicates an = row;
           E
                  indicates a \ge row;
           G
                  indicates a range row;
                  indicates a free row.
```

Example

Here row 4 is changed to an equality row:

```
mindex[0] = 4; qrtype[0] = "E";
XPRSchgrowtype(prob,1,mindex,qrtype);
```

Further information

A row can be changed to a range type row by first changing the row to an R or L type row and then changing the range on the row using R

Related topics

```
XPRSaddrows, XPRSchgcoltype, XPRSchgrhs, XPRSchgrhsrange, XPRSdelrows, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSgetrowtype.
```

XPRScopycallbacks

Purpose

Copies callback functions defined for one problem to another.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRScopycallbacks(XPRSprob dest, XPRSprob src);
```

Arguments

dest

The problem to which the callbacks are copied.

src

The problem from which the callbacks are copied.

Example

The following sets up a message callback function callback for problem prob1 and then copies this to the problem prob2.

```
XPRScreateprob(&prob1);
XPRSsetcbmessage(prob1, callback, NULL);
XPRScreateprob(&prob2);
XPRScopycallbacks(prob2, prob1);
```

Related topics

XPRScopycontrols, XPRScopyprob.

XPRScopycontrols

Purpose

Copies controls defined for one problem to another.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRScopycontrols(XPRSprob dest, XPRSprob src);
```

Arguments

dest The problem to which the controls are copied.

src The problem from which the controls are copied.

Example

The following turns off Presolve for problem prob1 and then copies this and other control values to the problem prob2:

```
XPRScreateprob(&prob1);
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob1, XPRS_PRESOLVE, 0);
XPRScreateprob(&prob2);
XPRScopycontrols(prob2,prob1);
```

Related topics

XPRScopycallbacks, XPRScopyprob.

XPRScopyprob

Purpose

Copies information defined for one problem to another.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRScopyprob(XPRSprob dest, XPRSprob src, const char
   *probname);
```

Arguments

dest The new problem pointer to which information is copied.

src The old problem pointer from which information is copied.

probname A string of up to 200 characters to contain the name for the copied problem. This

must be unique when file writing is to be expected, and particularly for global

problems.

Example

The following copies the problem, its controls and it callbacks from prob1 to prob2:

```
XPRSprob prob1, prob2;
...
XPRScreateprob(&prob2);
XPRScopyprob(prob2,prob1,"MyProb");
XPRScopycontrols(prob2,prob1);
XPRScopycallbacks(prob2,prob1);
```

Further information

XPRScopyprob copies only the problem and does not copy the callbacks or controls associated to a problem. These must be copied separately using XPRScopycallbacks and XPRScopycontrols respectively.

Related topics

XPRScopycallbacks, XPRScopycontrols, XPRScreateprob.

XPRScreateprob

Purpose

Sets up a new problem within the Optimizer.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRScreateprob(XPRSprob *prob);
```

Argument

prob Pointer to a variable holding the new problem.

Example

The following creates a problem which will contain myprob:

```
XPRSprob prob;
XPRSinit(NULL);
XPRScreateprob(&prob);
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
```

Further information

- 1. XPRScreateprob must be called after XPRSinit and before using the other Optimizer routines.
- 2. Any number of problems may be created in this way, depending on your license details. All problems should be removed using XPRSdestroyprob once you have finished working with them.
- 3. If XPRScreateprob cannot complete successfully, a nonzero value is returned and *prob is set to NULL (as a consequence, it's not possible to retrieve further error information using e.g. XPRSgetlasterror).

Related topics

XPRSdestroyprob, XPRScopyprob, XPRSinit.

XPRSdelcols

Purpose

Delete columns from a matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSdelcols(XPRSprob prob, int ncols, const int mindex[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ncols Number of columns to delete.

mindex Integer array of length ncols containing the columns to delete.

Example

In this example, column 3 is deleted from the matrix:

```
mindex[0] = 3;
XPRSdelcols(prob,1,mindex);
```

Further information

- 1. After columns have been deleted from a problem, the numbers of the remaining columns are moved down so that the columns are always numbered from 0 to COLS-1 where COLS is the problem attribute containing the number of non-deleted columns in the matrix.
- 2. If the problem has already been optimized, or an advanced basis has been loaded, and you delete a basis column the current basis will no longer be valid the basis is "lost". If you go on to re-optimize the problem, a warning message is displayed (140) and the Optimizer automatically generates a corrected basis. You can avoid losing the basis by only deleting non-basic columns (see XPRSgetbasis), taking a basic column out of the basis first if necessary (see XPRSgetpivots and XPRSpivot).

Related topics

XPRSaddcols, XPRSdelrows.

XPRSdelcpcuts

Purpose

During the Branch and Bound search, cuts are stored in the cut pool to be applied at descendant nodes. These cuts may be removed from a given node using XPRSdelcuts, but if this is to be applied in a large number of cases, it may be preferable to remove the cut completely from the cut pool. This is achieved using XPRSdelcpcuts.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem.

itype
Cut type.

interp
Way in which the cut type is interpreted:

-1 drop all cuts;

1 treat cut types as numbers;

2 treat cut types as bit maps - delete if any bit matches any bit set in itype;

3 treat cut types as bit maps - delete if all bits match those set in itype.

ncuts
The number of cuts to delete. A value of -1 indicates delete all cuts.

Mcutind
Array containing pointers to the cuts which are to be deleted. This array may be

NULL if ncuts is -1, otherwise it has length ncuts.

Related topics

XPRSaddcuts, XPRSdelcuts, XPRSloadcuts, 5.4.

XPRSdelcuts

Purpose

Deletes cuts from the matrix at the current node. Cuts from the parent node which have been automatically restored may be deleted as well as cuts added to the current node using XPRSaddcuts or XPRSloadcuts. The cuts to be deleted can be specified in a number of ways. If a cut is ruled out by any one of the criteria it will not be deleted.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.	
ibasis	Ensures the basis will be valid if set to 1 . If set to 0 , cuts with non-basic slacks may be deleted.	
itype	Type of the cut to be deleted.	
interp	Way in which the cut itype is interpreted:	
	−1 delete all cut types;	
	1 treat cut types as numbers;	
	treat cut types as bit maps - delete if any bit matches any bit set in itype;	
	treat cut types as bit maps - delete if all bits match those set in itype.	
delta	Only delete cuts with an absolute slack value greater than delta. To delete all the	
	cuts, this argument should be set to XPRS_MINUSINFINITY.	
num	Number of cuts to drop if a list of cuts is provided. A value of -1 indicates all cuts.	
mcutind	Array containing pointers to the cuts which are to be deleted. This array may be NULL if num is set to -1 otherwise it has length num.	

Further information

- 1. It is usually best to drop only those cuts with basic slacks, otherwise the basis will no longer be valid and it may take many iterations to recover an optimal basis. If the <code>ibasis</code> parameter is set to 1, this will ensure that cuts with non-basic slacks will not be deleted even if the other parameters specify that these cuts should be deleted. It is highly recommended that the <code>ibasis</code> parameter is always set to 1.
- 2. The cuts to be deleted can also be specified by the size of the slack variable for the cut. Only those cuts with a slack value greater than the delta parameter will be deleted.
- 3. A list of indices of the cuts to be deleted can also be provided. The list of active cuts at a node can be obtained with the XPRSgetcutlist command.

Related topics

XPRSaddcuts, XPRSdelcpcuts, XPRSgetcutlist, XPRSloadcuts, 5.4.

XPRSdelnode

Purpose

Deletes the specified node from the list of outstanding nodes in the Branch and Bound tree search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSdelnode(XPRSprob prob, int inode, int ifboth);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

> meaning that the next descendant is to be deleted; meaning that both descendants are to be deleted.

Example

```
XPRSdelnode(prob, 10, 0);
```

This deletes node number 10 in the tree search and its next descendent.

Further information

This routine might most effectively be called from a callback within the Branch and Bound search.

XPRSdelrows

Purpose

Delete rows from a matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSdelrows(XPRSprob prob, int nrows, const int mindex[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

nrows Number of rows to delete.

mindex An integer array of length nrows containing the rows to delete.

Example

In this example, rows 0 and 10 are deleted from the matrix:

```
mindex[0] = 0; mindex[1] = 10;
XPRSdelrows(prob,2,mindex);
```

Further information

- 1. After rows have been deleted from a problem, the numbers of the remaining rows are moved down so that the rows are always numbered from 0 to ROWS-1 where ROWS is the problem attribute containing the number of non-deleted rows in the matrix.
- 2. If the problem has already been optimized, or an advanced basis has been loaded, and you delete a row for which the slack column is non-basic, the current basis will no longer be valid the basis is "lost".

If you go on to re-optimize the problem, a warning message is displayed (140) and the Optimizer automatically generates a corrected basis.

You can avoid losing the basis by only deleting basic rows (see XPRSgetbasis), bringing a non-basic row into the basis first if necessary (see XPRSgetpivots and XPRSpivot).

Related topics

XPRSaddrows, XPRSdelcols.

XPRSdelsets

Purpose

Delete sets from a problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSdelsets(XPRSprob prob, int ndelsets, const int mindex[]);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.ndelsets Number of sets to delete.mindex An integer array of length ndelsets containing the sets to delete.
```

Example

In this example, sets 0 and 2 are deleted from the problem:

```
mindex[0] = 0; mindex[1] = 2;
XPRSdelsets(prob,2,mindex);
```

Further information

After sets have been deleted from a problem, the numbers of the remaining sets are moved down so that the sets are always numbered from 0 to SETS-1 where SETS is the problem attribute containing the number of non-deleted sets in the problem.

Related topics

XPRSaddsets.

XPRSdestroyprob

Purpose

Removes a given problem and frees any memory associated with it following manipulation and optimization.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSdestroyprob(XPRSprob prob);
```

Argument

prob The problem to be destroyed.

Example

The following creates, loads and solves a problem called myprob, before subsequently freeing any resources allocated to it:

```
XPRScreateprob(&prob);
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSdestroyprob(prob);
```

Further information

After work is finished, all problems must be destroyed. If a NULL problem pointer is passed to XPRSdestroyprob, no error will result.

Related topics

XPRScreateprob, XPRSfree, XPRSinit.

DUMPCONTROLS

Purpose

Displays the list of controls and their current value for those controls that have been set to a non default value.

Synopsis

DUMPCONTROLS

Related topics

None.

Purpose

Terminates the Console Optimizer, returning a zero exit code to the operating system. Alias of QUIT.

Synopsis

EXIT

Example

The command is called simply as:

EXIT

Further information

- 1. Fatal error conditions return nonzero exit values which may be of use to the host operating system. These are described in 9.
- 2. If you wish to return an exit code reflecting the final solution status, then use the STOP command instead.

Related topics

STOP, XPRSsave (SAVE).

XPRSfixglobal FIXGLOBAL

Purpose

Fixes all the global entities to the values of the last found MIP solution. This is useful for finding the reduced costs for the continuous variables after the global variables have been fixed to their optimal values.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSfixglobal(XPRSprob prob);
FIXGLOBAL
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example 1 (Library)

This example performs a global search on problem myprob and then uses XPRSfixglobal before solving the remaining linear problem:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
XPRSfixglobal(prob);
XPRSminim(prob, "l");
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob);
```

Example 2 (Console)

A similar set of commands at the console would be as follows:

```
READPROB
MINIM -g
FIXGLOBAL
MINIM -l
PRINTSOL
```

Further information

This command is useful for inspecting the reduced costs of the continuous variables in a matrix after the global entities have been fixed. Sensitivity analysis can also be performed on the continuous variables in a MIP problem using XPRSrange (RANGE) after calling XPRSfixglobal (FIXGLOBAL).

Related topics

```
XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), XPRSrange (RANGE).
```

XPRSfree

Purpose

Frees any allocated memory and closes all open files.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSfree(void);
```

Example

The following frees resources allocated to the problem prob and then tidies up before exiting:

```
XPRSdestroyprob(prob);
XPRSfree();
return 0;
```

Further information

After a call to XPRSfree no library functions may be used without first calling XPRSinit again.

Related topics

XPRSdestroyprob, XPRSinit.

XPRSftran

Purpose

Pre-multiplies a (column) vector provided by the user by the inverse of the current matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSftran(XPRSprob prob, double vec[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

vec Double array of length ROWS containing the values which are to be multiplied by the basis inverse. The transformed values appear in the array.

Related controls

Double

ETATOL

Zero tolerance on eta elements.

Example

To get the (unscaled) tableau column of structural variable number jcol, assuming that all arrays have been dimensioned, do the following:

Get the (unscaled) tableau column of the slack variable for row number irow, assuming that all arrays have been dimensioned.

```
/* Min size of arrays: y: nrow */
/* Set up the original slack column in full format */
for(i = 0; i < nrow; i++)
y[i] = 0.0;
y[irow] = 1.0;
rc = XPRSftran(prob,y);</pre>
```

Further information

If the matrix is in a presolved state, the function will work with the basis for the presolved problem.

Related topics

XPRSbtran.

XPRSgetbanner

Purpose

Returns the banner and copyright message.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetbanner(char *banner);
```

Argument

banner

Buffer long enough to hold the banner (plus a null terminator). This can be at most 256 characters.

Example

The following calls XPRSgetbanner to return banner information at the start of the program:

```
char banner[256];
...
if (XPRSinit (NULL))
{
   XPRSgetbanner (banner);
   printf("%s\n", banner);
   return 1;
}
XPRSgetbanner(banner);
printf("%s\n", banner);
```

Further information

This function can most usefully be employed to return extra information if a problem occurs with XPRSinit.

Related topics

XPRSinit.

XPRSgetbasis

Purpose

Returns the current basis into the user's data areas.

May be NULL if not required.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetbasis(XPRSprob prob, int rstatus[], int cstatus[]);
```

Arguments

The current problem. prob Integer array of length ROWS to the basis status of the slack, surplus or artificial rstatus variable associated with each row. The status will be one of: slack, surplus or artificial is non-basic at lower bound; slack, surplus or artificial is basic; 1 slack or surplus is non-basic at upper bound. 2 slack or surplus is super-basic. May be NULL if not required. Integer array of length COLS to hold the basis status of the columns in the constraint cstatus matrix. The status will be one of: variable is non-basic at lower bound, or superbasic at zero if the variable has no lower bound: 1 variable is basic: variable is non-basic at upper bound; 2 variable is super-basic.

Example

The following example minimizes a problem before saving the basis for later:

```
int rows, cols, *rstatus, *cstatus;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);

rstatus = (int *) malloc(sizeof(int)*rows);

cstatus = (int *) malloc(sizeof(int)*cols);

XPRSminim(prob, "");

XPRSqetbasis(prob, rstatus, cstatus);
```

Related topics

XPRSqetpresolvebasis, XPRSloadbasis, XPRSloadpresolvebasis.

XPRSgetcbbarlog

Purpose

Gets the barrier log callback function,

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fubl Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbbarlog.

XPRSgetcbchgbranch

Purpose

Gets the branching variable callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbchgbranch(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fucb)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int *entity, int *up,
    double *estdeg), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fucb Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbchgbranch.

XPRSgetcbchgnode

Purpose

Get the node selection callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbchgnode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fusn)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int *nodnum), void
    **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fusn Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbchgnode.

XPRSgetcbcutlog

Purpose

Gets the cut log callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fucl Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbcutlog.

XPRSgetcbcutmgr

Purpose

Gets the user-defined cut manager routine.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbcutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC **fcme)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fcme Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbcutmgr.

XPRSgetcbdestroymt

Purpose

Gets the destroy MIP thread callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbdestroymt(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fmt)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fmt Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbdestroymt.

XPRSgetcbestimate

Purpose

Gets the estimate callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbestimate(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC **fbe)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, int *iglsel, int *iprio, double
    *degbest, double *degworst, double *curval, int *ifupx, int
    *nglinf, double *degsum, int *nbr), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fbe Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbestimate.

XPRSgetcbfreecutmgr

Purpose

Gets the user cut manager termination routine.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbfreecutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
     **fcms)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fcms Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr.

XPRSgetcbgloballog

Purpose

Gets the global log callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbgloballog(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
    **fugl)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fugl Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbglobalog.

XPRSgetcbinfnode

Purpose

Gets the user infeasible node callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbinfnode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
     **fuin)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fuin Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbinfnode.

XPRSgetcbinitcutmgr

Purpose

Gets user callback routine.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbinitcutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
     **fcmi)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fcmi Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr.

XPRSgetcbintsol

Purpose

Gets the user integer solution callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fuis Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbintsol.

XPRSgetcblplog

Purpose

Gets the simplex log callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fuil Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

setcblplog.

XPRSgetcbmessage

Purpose

Gets the output callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbmessage(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC **fop)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, const char *msg, int len, int msgtype),
    void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fop Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbmessage.

XPRSgetcbmipthread

Purpose

Gets the MIP thread callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbmipthread(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fmt)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, XPRSprob thread_prob),
    void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fmt Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbmipthread.

XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate

Purpose

Gets the NLP evaluate callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_evaluate Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

```
XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp.
```

XPRSgetcbnlpgradient

Purpose

Gets the NLP gradient evaluate callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_gradient Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

```
XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp.
```

XPRSgetcbnlphessian

Purpose

Gets the NLP Hessian evaluate callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbnlphessian(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC **f_-
    hessian)(XPRSprob my_prob, void * my_object, const double x[],
    const int mstart[], const int mqcol[], double dqe[]), void **
    object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_hessian Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSresetnlp.

XPRSgetcbnodecutoff

Purpose

Gets the user node cutoff callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbnodecutoff(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fucn)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int nodnum), void
    **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fucn Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbnodecutoff.

XPRSgetcboptnode

Purpose

Gets the optimal node callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcboptnode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fuon)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int *feas), void
    **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fuon Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcboptnode.

XPRSgetcbpreintsol

Purpose

Gets the user integer solution callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_preintsol Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbpreintsol.

XPRSgetcbprenode

Purpose

Gets the preprocess node callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbprenode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    **fupn)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int *nodinfeas), void
    **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fupn Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSgetcbsepnode

Purpose

Gets the separate callback function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcbsepnode(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC **fse)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, int ibr, int iglsel, int ifup, double
    curval), void **object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fse Pointer to the memory where the callback function will be returned.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbsepnode.

XPRSgetcoef

Purpose

Returns a single coefficient in the constraint matrix.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcoef(XPRSprob prob, int irow, int icol, double *dval);

Arguments

prob
 irow
 icol
 dval
 Pointer to a double where the coefficient will be returned.

Further information

It is quite inefficient to get several coefficients with the $\tt XPRSgetcoeff$ function. It is better to use $\tt XPRSgetcolsf$ or $\tt XPRSgetrows$.

Related topics

XPRSgetcols, XPRSgetrows.

XPRSgetcolrange

Purpose

Returns the column ranges computed by XPRSrange.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcolrange(XPRSprob prob, double upact[], double
    loact[], double uup[], double udn[], double ucost[], double
    lcost[]);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

upact Double array of length COLS for upper column activities.

loact Double array of length COLS for lower column activities.

uup Double array of length COLS for upper column unit costs.

udn Double array of length COLS for lower column unit costs.

Double array of length COLS for upper costs.

Double array of length COLS for lower costs.
```

Example

Here the column ranges are retrieved into arrays as in the synopsis:

```
int cols;
double *upact, *loact, *uup, *udn, *ucost, *lcost;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
upact = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
loact = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
uup = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
udn = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
ucost = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
lcost = malloc(cols*(sizeof(double)));
XPRSrange(prob);
XPRSgetcolrange(prob, upact, loact, uup, udn, ucost, lcost);
```

Further information

The activities and unit costs are obtained from the range file (*problem_name.rng*). The meaning of the upper and lower column activities and upper and lower unit costs in the ASCII range files is described in Appendix A.

Related topics

XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSrange.

XPRSgetcols

Purpose

Returns the nonzeros in the constraint matrix for the columns in a given range.

Synopsis

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
mstart	Integer array which will be filled with the indices indicating the starting offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays for each requested column. It must be of length at least last-first+2. Column i starts at position mstart[i] in the mrwind and dmatval arrays, and has mstart[i+1]-mstart[i] elements in it. May be NULL if not required.
mrwind	Integer array of length \mathtt{size} which will be filled with the row indices of the nonzero elements for each column. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.
dmatval	Double array of length $\tt size$ which will be filled with the nonzero element values. May be $\tt NULL$ if not required.
size	Maximum number of elements to be retrieved.
nels	Pointer to the integer where the number of nonzero elements in the mrwind and dmatval arrays will be returned. If the number of nonzero elements is greater than size, then only size elements will be returned. If nels is smaller than size, then only nels will be returned.
first	First column in the range.
last	Last column in the range.

Example

```
int nels, cols, first = 0, last;
...
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
last = cols-1;
XPRSgetcols(prob, NULL, NULL, NULL, 0, &nels, first, last);
```

This returns in nels the number of nonzero matrix elements in all columns of the matrix.

Further information

It is possible to obtain just the number of elements in the range of columns by replacing mstart, mrwind and dmatval by NULL, as in the example. In this case, size must be set to 0 to indicate that the length of arrays passed is zero. This is demonstrated in the example above.

Related topics

XPRSgetrows.

XPRSgetcoltype

Purpose

Returns the column types for the columns in a given range.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
The current problem.
prob
           Character array of length last-first+1 where the column types will be returned:
coltype
                  indicates a continuous variable;
                  indicates an integer variables;
           Ι
                  indicates a binary variable;
           В
           S
                  indicates a semi-continuous variable:
                  indicates a semi-continuous integer variable;
                  indicates a partial integer variable.
first
           First column in the range.
last
           Last column in the range.
```

Example

This example finds the types for all columns in the matrix and prints them to the console:

```
int cols, i;
char *types;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
types = (char *)malloc(sizeof(char)*cols);
XPRSgetcoltype(prob, types, 0, cols-1);

for(i=0;i<cols;i++) printf("%c\n",types[i]);</pre>
```

Related topics

XPRSchgcoltype, XPRSgetrowtype.

XPRSgetcpcutlist

Purpose

Returns a list of cut indices from the cut pool.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
itype	Cut type of the cuts to be returned.
interp	Way in which the cut type is interpreted:
	−1 get all cuts;
	1 treat cut types as numbers;
	treat cut types as bit maps - get cut if any bit matches any bit set in
	itype;
	treat cut types as bit maps - get cut if all bits match those set in itype.
delta	Only those cuts with an absolute slack value greater than delta will be returned.
ncuts	Pointer to the integer where the number of cuts of type $itype$ in the cut pool will
	be returned.
size	Maximum number of cuts to be returned.
mcutind	Array of length size where the pointers to the cuts will be returned.
dviol	Double array of length \mathtt{size} where the values of the slack variables for the cuts will be returned.

Further information

- 1. The violated cuts can be obtained by setting the delta parameter to the size of the violation required. If unviolated cuts are required as well, delta may be set to XPRS_MINUSINFINITY which is defined in the library header file.
- 2. If the number of active cuts is greater than size, only size cuts will be returned and ncuts will be set to the number of active cuts. If ncuts is less than size, then only ncuts positions will be filled in mcutind.

Related topics

XPRSdelcpcuts, XPRSgetcpcuts, XPRSgetcutlist, XPRSloadcuts, 5.4.

XPRSgetcpcuts

Purpose

Returns cuts from the cut pool. A list of cut pointers in the array mindex must be passed to the routine. The columns and elements of the cut will be returned in the regions pointed to by the mcols and dmatval parameters. The columns and elements will be stored contiguously and the starting point of each cut will be returned in the region pointed to by the mstart parameter.

Synopsis

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
mindex	Array of length ncuts containing the pointers to the cuts.
ncuts	Number of cuts to be returned.
size	Maximum number of column indices of the cuts to be returned.
mtype	Integer array of length at least nouts where the cut types will be returned.
qrtype	Character array of length at least ncuts where the sense of the cuts (L, G, or E) will be returned.
mstart	Integer array of length at least ncuts+1 containing the offsets into the mcols and dmatval arrays. The last element indicates where cut ncuts+1 would start.
mcols	Integer array of length size where the column indices of the cuts will be returned.
dmatval	Double array of length size where the matrix values will be returned.
drhs	Double array of length at least nouts where the right hand side elements for the cuts will be returned

Related topics

XPRSgetcpcutlist, XPRSgetcutlist, 5.4.

XPRSgetcutlist

Purpose

Retrieves a list of cut pointers for the cuts active at the current node.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSgetcutlist(XPRSprob prob, int itype, int interp, int
 *ncuts, int size, XPRScut mcutind[]);

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
itype	Cut type of the cuts to be returned. A value of -1 indicates return all active cuts.
interp	Way in which the cut type is interpreted:
	−1 get all cuts;
	1 treat cut types as numbers;
	treat cut types as bit maps - get cut if any bit matches any bit set in
	itype;
	treat cut types as bit maps - get cut if all bits match those set in itype.
ncuts	Pointer to the integer where the number of active cuts of type <code>itype</code> will be re-
	turned.
size	Maximum number of cuts to be retrieved.
mcutind	Array of length size where the pointers to the cuts will be returned.

Further information

If the number of active cuts is greater than size, then size cuts will be returned and ncuts will be set to the number of active cuts. If ncuts is less than size, then only ncuts positions will be filled in mcutind.

Related topics

XPRSgetcpcutlist, XPRSgetcpcuts, 5.4.

XPRSgetdaysleft

Purpose

Returns the number of days left until an evaluation license expires.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetdaysleft(int *days);
```

Argument

days Pointer to an integer where the number of days is to be returned.

Example

The following calls XPRSgetdaysleft to print information about the license:

```
int days;
...
XPRSinit(NULL);
if(XPRSgetdaysleft(&days) == 0) {
  printf("Evaluation license expires in %d days\n", days);
} else {
  printf("Not an evaluation license\n");
}
```

Further information

This function can only be used with evaluation licenses, and if called when a normal license is in use returns an error code of 32. The expiry information for evaluation licenses is also included in the Optimizer banner message.

Related topics

XPRSgetbanner.

XPRSgetdblattrib

Purpose

Enables users to retrieve the values of various double problem attributes. Problem attributes are set during loading and optimization of a problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetdblattrib(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, double *dval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Problem attribute whose value is to be returned. A full list of all available problem

attributes may be found in 8, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

dval Pointer to a double where the value of the problem attribute will be returned.

Example

The following obtains the optimal value of the objective function and displays it to the console:

```
double lpobjval;
...
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSgetdblattrib(prob, XPRS_LPOBJVAL, &lpobjval);
printf("The maximum profit is %f\n",lpobjval);
```

Related topics

XPRSgetintattrib, XPRSgetstrattrib.

XPRSgetdblcontrol

Purpose

Retrieves the value of a given double control parameter.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetdblcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, double *dgval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be returned. A full list of all controls may be

found in 7, or from the list in the ${\tt xprs.h}$ header file.

dgval Pointer to the location where the control value will be returned.

Example

The following returns the integer feasibility tolerance:

```
XPRSgetdblcontrol(prob, XPRS_MIPTOL, &miptol);
```

Related topics

XPRSsetdblcontrol, XPRSgetintcontrol, XPRSgetstrcontrol.

XPRSgetdirs

Purpose

Used to return the directives that have been loaded into a matrix. Priorities, forced branching directions and pseudo costs can be returned. If called after presolve, XPRSgetdirs will get the directives for the presolved problem.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
ndir	Pointer to an integer where the number of directives will be returned.
mcols	Integer array of length ndir containing the column numbers (0, 1, 2,) or negative values corresponding to special ordered sets (the first set numbered -1 , the second numbered -2 ,).
mpri	Integer array of length ndir containing the priorities for the columns and sets.
qbr	Character array of length ndir specifying the branching direction for each column
	or set:
	U the entity is to be forced up;
	D the entity is to be forced down;
	N not specified.
dupc	Double array of length ndir containing the up pseudo costs for the columns and
	sets.
ddpc	Double array of length ${\tt ndir}$ containing the down pseudo costs for the columns and sets.

Further information

- 1. The value ndir denotes the number of directives, at most MIPENTS, obtainable with XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_MIPENTS, & mipents);.
- 2. Any of the arguments except prob and ndir may be NULL if not required.

Related topics

XPRSloaddirs, XPRSloadpresolvedirs.

XPRSgetglobal

Purpose

Retrieves global information about a problem. It must be called before XPRSmaxim or XPRSminim if the presolve option is used.

Synopsis

Arguments

ents	
prob	The current problem.
nglents	Pointer to the integer where the number of binary, integer, semi-continuous, semi-continuous integer and partial integer entities will be returned. This is equal to the problem attribute MIPENTS.
sets	Pointer to the integer where the number of SOS1 and SOS2 sets will be returned. It can be retrieved from the problem attribute SETS.
qgtype	Character array of length nglents where the entity types will be returned. The types will be one of: B binary variables; I integer variables; P partial integer variables; S semi-continuous variables; R semi-continuous integer variables.
mgcols	Integer array of length ${\tt nglents}$ where the column indices of the global entities will be returned.
dlim	Double array of length nglents where the limits for the partial integer variables and lower bounds for the semi-continuous and semi-continuous integer variables will be returned (any entries in the positions corresponding to binary and integer variables will be meaningless).
qstype	Character array of length sets where the set types will be returned. The set types will be one of: SOS1 type sets; SOS2 type sets.
msstart	Integer array where the offsets into the mscols and dref arrays indicating the start of the sets will be returned. This array must be of length sets+1, the final element will contain the offset where set sets+1 would start and equals the length of the mscols and dref arrays, SETMEMBERS.
mscols	Integer array of length SETMEMBERS where the columns in each set will be returned.
dref	Double array of length SETMEMBERS where the reference row entries for each member of the sets will be returned.

Example

The following obtains the global variables and their types in the arrays mgcols and qrtype:

```
int nglents, nsets, *mgcols;
char *qgtype;
...

XPRSgetglobal(prob, &nglents, &nsets, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL);
mgcols = malloc(nglents*sizeof(int));
qgtype = malloc(nglents*sizeof(char));
XPRSgetglobal(prob, &nglents, &nsets, qgtype, ngcols, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL);
```

Further information

Any of the arguments except prob, nglents and sets may be NULL if not required.

Related topics

XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadqglobal.

XPRSgetiisdata

Purpose

Returns information on the IIS: size, variables (row and column vectors) and conflicting sides of the variables, duals and reduced costs.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetiisdata(XPRSprob prob, int num, int *rownumber, int
  *colnumber, int miisrow[], int miiscol[], char constrainttype[],
  char colbndtype[], double duals[], double rdcs[], char
  isolationrows[], char isolationcols[]);
```

Arguments

```
The current problem.
num
           The ordinal number of the IIS to get data for.
rownumber The number of rows in the IIS.
colnumber The number of bounds in the IIS.
miisrow Indices of rows in the IIS.
miiscol Indices of bounds (columns) in the IIS.
constrainttype Sense of rows in the IIS:
                  for less or equal row;
           L
                  for greater or equal row.
colbndtype Sense of bound in the IIS:
                  for upper bound;
           L
                  for lower bound.
           The dual multipliers associated with the rows
duals
rdcs
           The dual multipliers (reduced costs) associated with the bounds.
isolationrows The isolation status of the rows:
                  if isolation information is not available for row (run iis isolations):
           _1
                  if row is not in isolation:
                  if row is in isolation
           1
isolationcols The isolation status of the bounds:
isolationcols The isolation status of the bounds:
                  if isolation information is not available for column (run iisisolations);
           -1
                  if column is not in isolation;
           Ω
                  if column is in isolation.
           1
```

Example

This example first retrieves the size of IIS 1, then gets the detailed information for the IIS.

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS from the console automatically prints most of the above IIS information to the screen. Extra information can be printed with the IIS -p command.
- 2. IISs are numbered from 1 to NUMIIS. Index number 0 refers to the IIS approximation.
- 3. If miisrow and miiscol both are NULL, only the rownumber and colnumber are returned.
- 4. The arrays may be NULL if not required. However, arrays constrainttype, duals and isolationrows are only returned if miisrow is not NULL. Similarly, arrays colbndtype, rdcs and isolationcols are only returned if miiscol is not NULL.
- 5. All the non NULL arrays should be of length rownumber or colnumber respectively.
- 6. For the initial IIS approximation (num = 0) the number of rows and columns with a nonzero Lagrange multiplier (dual/reduced cost respectively) are returned. Please note, that in such cases, it might be necessary to call XPRSiisstatus to retrieve the necessary size of the return arrays.

Related topics

XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS, A.7.

XPRSgetindex

Purpose

Returns the index for a specified row or column name.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

type 1 if a row index is required;

2 if a column index is required.

name String of length MPSNAMELENGTH (plus a null terminator) holding the name of the row or column.

Pointer of the integer where the row or column index number will be returned. A value of -1 will be returned if the row or column does not exist.

Related controls

Integer

seq

MPSNAMELENGTH Maximum name length in characters.

Example

The following example loads problem and checks to see if "n 0203" is the name of a row or column:

```
int seqr, seqc;
...
XPRSreadprob(prob, "problem", "");

XPRSgetindex(prob,1,"n 0203", &seqr);
XPRSgetindex(prob,2,"n 0203", &seqc);
if(seqr==-1 && seqc ==-1) printf("n 0203 not there\n");
if(seqr!= -1) printf("n 0203 is row %d\n", seqr);
if(seqc!= -1) printf"n 0203 is column %d\n", seqc);
```

Related topics

XPRSaddnames.

XPRSgetinfeas

Purpose

Returns a list of infeasible primal and dual variables.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
npv	Number of primal infeasible variables.
nps	Number of primal infeasible rows.
nds	Number of dual infeasible rows.
ndv	Number of dual infeasible variables.
mx	Integer array of length \mathtt{npv} where the primal infeasible variables will be returned. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.
mslack	Integer array of length ${\tt nps}$ where the primal infeasible rows will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
mdual	Integer array of length ${\tt nds}$ where the dual infeasible rows will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
mdj	Integer array of length $n dv$ where the dual infeasible variables will be returned. May be NULL if not required.

Error values

- 91 A current problem is not available.
- 422 A solution is not available.

Related controls

Double

```
FEASTOL Zero tolerance on RHS.

OPTIMALITYTOL Reduced cost tolerance.
```

Example

In this example, XPRSgetinfeas is first called with nulled integer arrays to get the number of infeasible entries. Then space is allocated for the arrays and the function is again called to fill them in:

Further information

- 1. To find the infeasibilities in a previously saved solution, the solution must first be loaded into memory with the XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL) function.
- 2. If any of the last four arguments are set to NULL, the corresponding number of infeasibilities is still returned.

Related topics

XPRSgetscaledinfeas, XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSgetintattrib

Purpose

Enables users to recover the values of various integer problem attributes. Problem attributes are set during loading and optimization of a problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetintattrib(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, int *ival);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Problem attribute whose value is to be returned. A full list of all problem attributes

may be found in 8, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

ival Pointer to an integer where the value of the problem attribute will be returned.

Example

The following obtains the number of columns in the matrix and allocates space to obtain lower bounds for each column:

```
int cols;
double *lb;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
lb = (double *) malloc(sizeof(double)*cols);
XPRSgetlb(prob, lb, 0, cols-1);
```

Related topics

XPRSgetdblattrib, XPRSgetstrattrib.

XPRSgetintcontrol

Purpose

Enables users to recover the values of various integer control parameters

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetintcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, int *igval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be returned. A full list of all controls may be

found in 7, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

igval Pointer to an integer where the value of the control will be returned.

Example

The following obtains the value of DEFAULTALG and outputs it to screen:

```
int defaultalg;
...
XPRSmaxim(prob,"");
XPRSgetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_DEFAULTALG, &defaultalg);
printf("DEFAULTALG is %d\n", defaultalg);
```

Further information

Some control parameters, such as SCALING, are bitmaps. Each bit controls a different behavior. If set, bit 0 has value 1, bit 1 has value 2, bit 2 has value 4, and so on.

Related topics

XPRSsetintcontrol, XPRSgetdblcontrol, XPRSgetstrcontrol.

XPRSgetlasterror

Purpose

Returns the error message corresponding to the last error encountered by a library function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetlasterror(XPRSprob prob, char *errmsg);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

errmsg A 512 character buffer where the last error message will be returned.

Example

The following shows how this function might be used in error-checking:

where the main function might contain lines such as:

```
XPRSprob prob;
...
if(XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", ""))
  error(prob, "XPRSreadprob");
```

Related topics

9, ERRORCODE, XPRSsetcbmessage, XPRSsetlogfile.

XPRSgetlb

Purpose

Returns the lower bounds for the columns in a given range.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetlb(XPRSprob prob, double lb[], int first, int last);
```

Arguments

The current problem.

1b Double array of length last-first+1 where the lower bounds are to be placed.

first First column in the range.

Last column in the range.

Example

The following example retrieves the lower bounds for the columns of the current problem:

```
int cols;
double *lb;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
lb = (double *) malloc(sizeof(double)*cols);
XPRSgetlb(prob, lb, 0, cols-1);
```

Further information

Values greater than or equal to XPRS_PLUSINFINITY should be interpreted as infinite; values less than or equal to XPRS_MINUSINFINITY should be interpreted as infinite and negative.

Related topics

XPRSchgbounds, XPRSgetub.

XPRSgetlicerrmsg

Purpose

Retrieves an error message describing the last licensing error, if any occurred.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetlicerrmsg(char *buffer, int length);
```

Arguments

buffer Buffer long enough to hold the error message (plus a null terminator).

Length Length of the buffer. This should be 512 or more since messages can be quite long.

Example

The following calls XPRSgetlicerrmsg to find out why XPRSinit failed:

```
char message[512];
...
if(XPRSinit(NULL))
{
    XPRSgetlicerrmsg(message, 512);
    printf("%s\n", message);
}
```

Further information

The error message includes an error code, which in case the user wishes to use it is also returned by the function. If there was no licensing error the function returns 0.

Related topics

XPRSinit.

XPRSgetlpsol

Purpose

Used to obtain the LP solution values following optimization.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetlpsol(XPRSprob prob, double x[], double slack[], double dual[], double dj[]);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
X	Double array of length ${\tt COLS}$ where the values of the primal variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
slack	Double array of length $_{\hbox{\scriptsize ROWS}}$ where the values of the slack variables will be returned. May be $_{\hbox{\scriptsize NULL}}$ if not required.
dual	Double array of length ${\tt ROWS}$ where the values of the dual variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
dj	Double array of length COLS where the reduced cost for each variable will be returned. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.

Example

The following sequence of commands will get the LP solution (x) at the top node of a MIP and the optimal MIP solution ($_{Y}$):

```
int cols;
double *x, *y;
...

XPRSmaxim(prob,"");

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALCOLS, &cols);
x = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));

XPRSgetlpsol(prob, x, NULL, NULL, NULL);

XPRSglobal(prob);
y = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));

XPRSgetmipsol(prob, y, NULL);
```

Further information

- 1. If called during an XPRSglobal callback the solution of the current node will be returned.
- 2. If the matrix is modified after calling XPRSmaxim or XPRSminim, then the solution will no longer be available.
- 3. If the problem has been presolved, then XPRSgetlpsol returns the solution to the original problem. The only way to obtain the presolved solution is to call the related function, XPRSgetpresolvesol.

Related topics

XPRSqetpresolvesol, XPRSqetmipsol, XPRSwriteprtsol, XPRSwritesol.

Purpose

Manages suppression of messages.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetmessagestatus(XPRSprob prob, int errcode, int
          *status);
GETMESSAGESTATUS
```

Arguments

The problem for which message errcode is to have its suppression status changed;

pass NULL if the message should have the status apply globally to all problems.

errcode The id number of the message. Refer to the section 9 for a list of possible message

numbers.

status Non-zero if the message is not suppressed; 0 otherwise. If a value for status is not supplied in the command-line call then the console optimizer prints the value

not supplied in the command-line call then the console optimizer prints the value of the suppression status to screen i.e., non-zero if the message is not suppressed;

otherwise.

Further information

- 1. Use the SETMESSAGESTATUS console function to print the value of the suppression status to screen.
- 2. If a message is suppressed globally then the message will always have status return zero from XPRSqetmessagestatus when prob is non-NULL.

Related topics

XPRSsetmessagestatus.

XPRSgetmipsol

Purpose

Used to obtain the solution values of the last MIP solution that was found.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetmipsol(XPRSprob prob, double x[], double slack[]);
```

Arguments

The current problem.

x Double array of length COLS where the values of the primal variables will be returned. May be NULL if not required.

Slack Double array of length ROWS where the values of the slack variables will be returned. May be NULL if not required.

Example

The following sequence of commands will get the solution (x) of the last MIP solution for a problem:

```
int cols;
double *x;
...

XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALCOLS, &cols);
x = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));
XPRSgetmipsol(prob, x, NULL);
```

Further information

Warning: If allocating space for the MIP solution the row and column sizes must be obtained for the original problem and not for the presolve problem. They can be obtained before optimizing or after calling XPRSpostsolve for the case where the global search has not completed.

Related topics

XPRSgetpresolvesol, XPRSwriteprtsol, XPRSwritesol.

XPRSgetmqobj

Purpose

Returns the nonzeros in the quadratic objective coefficients matrix for the columns in a given range. To achieve maximum efficiency, XPRSgetmqobj returns the lower triangular part of this matrix only.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
mstart	Integer array which will be filled with indices indicating the starting offsets in the mclind and dobjval arrays for each requested column. It must be length of at least last-first+2. Column i starts at position mstart[i] in the mrwind and dmatval arrays, and has mstart[i+1]-mstart[i] elements in it. May be NULL if size is 0.
mclind	Integer array of length $size$ which will be filled with the column indices of the nonzero elements in the lower triangular part of Q. May be NULL if $size$ is 0.
dobjval	Double array of length \mathtt{size} which will be filled with the nonzero element values. May be \mathtt{NULL} if \mathtt{size} is 0.
size	The maximum number of elements to be returned (size of the arrays).
nels	Pointer to the integer where the number of nonzero elements in the mclind and dobjval arrays will be returned. If the number of nonzero elements is greater than size, then only size elements will be returned. If nels is smaller than size, then only nels will be returned.
first	First column in the range.
last	Last column in the range.

Further information

- 1. The objective function is of the form $c^Tx+0.5x^TQx$ where Q is positive semi-definite for minimization problems and negative semi-definite for maximization problems. If this is not the case the optimization algorithms may converge to a local optimum or may not converge at all. Note that only the upper or lower triangular part of the Q matrix is returned.
- 2. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- 3. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY are defined in the Optimizer library header file.

Related topics

XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSgetqobj.

XPRSgetnamelist

Purpose

Returns the names for the rows, columns or sets in a given range. The names will be returned in a character buffer, with no trailing whitespace and with each name being separated by a NULL character.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetnamelist(XPRSprob prob, int type, char names[], int
    names_len, int * names_len_reqd, int first, int last);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

type 1 if row names are required;

2 if column names are required.

3 if set names are required.

names A buffer into which the names will be returned as a sequence of null-terminated strings. The buffer should be of length 'names_len' bytes. May be NULL if names_len is 0.

names_len The maximum number of bytes that may be written to the buffer names.

names_len_reqd A pointer to a variable into which will be written the number of bytes
required to contain the names in the specified range. May be NULL if not required.

first First row, column or set in the range.

last Last row, column or set in the range.

Example

The following example retrieves and outputs the row and column names for the current problem.

```
int i, o, cols, rows, cnames_len, rnames_len;
char *cnames, *rnames;
/* Get problem size */ XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALCOLS, &cols);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALROWS, &rows);
/* Request number of bytes required to retrieve the names */
XPRSgetnamelist(prob, 1, NULL, 0, &rnames_len, 0, rows-1);
XPRSgetnamelist(prob, 2, NULL, 0, &cnames_len, 0, cols-1);
/* Now allocate buffers big enough then fetch the names */
cnames = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char)*cnames_len);
rnames = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char)*rnames_len);
XPRSgetnamelist(prob, 1, rnames, rnames_len, NULL, 0, rows-1);
XPRSqetnamelist(prob, 2, cnames, cnames_len, NULL, 0, cols-1);
/* Output row names */
0=0;
for (i=0;i<rows;i++) {</pre>
  printf("Row #%d: %s\n", i, rnames+o);
  o += strlen(rnames+o)+1;
}
/* Output column names */
0=0;
for (i=0;i<cols;i++) {</pre>
  printf("Col #%d: %s\n", i, cnames+o);
  o += strlen(cnames+o)+1;
```

Related topics

XPRSaddnames.

XPRSgetnamelistobject

Purpose

Returns the XPRSnamelist object for the rows, columns or sets of a problem.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.
itype 1 if the row name list is required;
2 if the column name list is required;
3 if the set name list is required.
r_nl Pointer to a variable holding the name list contained by the problem.
```

Further information

The XPRSnamelist object is a map of names to and from indices.

Related topics

None.

XPRSgetnames

Purpose

Returns the names for the rows, columns or set in a given range. The names will be returned in a character buffer, each name being separated by a null character.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetnames(XPRSprob prob, int type, char names[], int
    first, int last);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

type 1 if row names are required;

if column names are required.

3 if set names are required.

names Buffer long enough to hold the names. Since each name is 8*NAMELENGTH characters long (plus a null terminator), the array, names, would be required to be at least as long as (first-last+1)*(8*NAMELENGTH+1) characters. The names of the row/column/set first+i will be written into the names buffer starting at position

i * 8 * NAMELENGTH+i.

first First row, column or set in the range.

last Last row, column or set in the range.

Related controls

Integer

MPSNAMELENGTH Maximum name length in characters.

Example

The following example retrieves the row and column names of the current problem:

```
int cols, rows, nl;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALCOLS, &cols);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALROWS, &rows);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_NAMELENGTH, &nl);

cnames = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char)*(8*nl+1)*cols);
rnames = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char)*(8*nl+1)*rows);
XPRSgetnames(prob,1,rnames,0,rows-1);
XPRSgetnames(prob,2,cnames,0,cols-1);
```

To display names [i] in C, use

```
int namelength;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_NAMELENGTH, &namelength);
printf("%s", names + i*(8*namelength+1));
```

Related topics

XPRSaddnames, XPRSgetnamelist.

XPRSgetobj

Purpose

Returns the objective function coefficients for the columns in a given range.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetobj(XPRSprob prob, double obj[], int first, int last);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

obj Double array of length last-first+1 where the objective function coefficients are to be placed.

first First column in the range.

last Last column in the range.

Example

The following example retrieves the objective function coefficients of the current problem:

```
int cols;
double *obj;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
obj = (double *) malloc(sizeof(double)*cols);
XPRSgetobj(prob, obj, 0, cols-1);
```

Related topics

XPRSchgobj.

XPRSgetobjecttypename

Purpose

Function to access the type name of an object referenced using the generic Xpress-Optimizer object pointer XPRSobject.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetobjecttypename(XPRSobject object, const char
   **sObjectName);
```

Arguments

object The object for which the type name will be retrieved.

sObjectName Pointer to a char pointer returning a reference to the null terminated string containing the object's type name. For example, if the object is of type XPRSprob then the returned pointer points to the string "XPRSprob".

Further information

This function is intended to be used typically from within the message callback function registered with the XPRS_ge_setcbmsghandler function. In such cases the user will need to identify the type of object sending the message since the message callback is passed only a generic pointer to the Xpress-Optimizer object (XPRSobject) sending the message.

Related topics

XPRS_ge_setcbmsghandler.

XPRSgetpivotorder

Purpose

Returns the pivot order of the basic variables.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetpivotorder(XPRSprob prob, int mpiv[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

mpiv Integer array of length ROWS where the pivot order will be returned.

Example

The following returns the pivot order of the variables into an array pPivot:

```
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
pPivot = malloc(rows*(sizeof(int)));
XPRSgetpivotorder(prob, pPivot);
```

Further information

Row indices are in the range 0 to ROWS-1; whilst columns are in the range ROWS+SPAREROWS to ROWS+SPAREROWS+COLS-1.

Related topics

XPRSgetpivots, XPRSpivot.

XPRSgetpivots

Purpose

Returns a list of potential leaving variables if a specified variable enters the basis.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetpivots(XPRSprob prob, int in, int outlist[], double
    x[], double *dobj, int *npiv, int maxpiv);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
in	Index of the specified row or column to enter basis.
outlist	Integer array of length at least $maxpiv$ to hold list of potential leaving variables. May be NULL if not required.
X	Double array of length ROWS+SPAREROWS+COLS to hold the values of all the variables that would result if in entered the basis. May be NULL if not required.
dobj	Pointer to a double where the objective function value that would result if ${\tt in}$ entered the basis will be returned.
npiv	Pointer to an integer where the actual number of potential leaving variables will be returned.
maxpiv	Maximum number of potential leaving variables to return.

Error value

Indicates in is invalid (out of range or already basic).

Example

The following retrieves a list of up to 5 potential leaving variables if variable 6 enters the basis:

```
int npiv, outlist[5];
double dobj;
...
XPRSgetpivots(prob, 6, outlist, NULL, &dobj, &npiv, 5);
```

Further information

- 1. If the variable in enters the basis and the problem is degenerate then several basic variables are candidates for leaving the basis, and the number of potential candidates is returned in npiv. A list of at most maxpiv of these candidates is returned in outlist which must be at least maxpiv long. If variable in were to be pivoted in, then because the problem is degenerate, the resulting values of the objective function and all the variables do not depend on which of the candidates from outlist is chosen to leave the basis. The value of the objective is returned in dobj and the values of the variables into x.
- 2. Row indices are in the range 0 to ROWS-1, whilst columns are in the range ROWS+SPAREROWS to ROWS+SPAREROWS+COLS-1.

Related topics

XPRSgetpivotorder, XPRSpivot.

XPRSgetpresolvebasis

Purpose

Returns the current basis from memory into the user's data areas. If the problem is presolved, the presolved basis will be returned. Otherwise the original basis will be returned.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem. prob rstatus Integer array of length ROWS to the basis status of the stack, surplus or artificial variable associated with each row. The status will be one of: slack, surplus or artificial is non-basic at lower bound; slack, surplus or artificial is basic: slack or surplus is non-basic at upper bound. May be NULL if not required. Integer array of length COLS to hold the basis status of the columns in the constraint cstatus matrix. The status will be one of: variable is non-basic at lower bound, or superbasic at zero if the variable has no lower bound; variable is basic; 1 variable is at upper bound; variable is super-basic. May be NULL if not required.

Example

The following obtains and outputs basis information on a presolved problem prior to the global search:

```
XPRSprob prob;
int i, cols, *cstatus;
...
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myglobalprob", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
cstatus = malloc(cols*sizeof(int));
XPRSgetpresolvebasis(prob, NULL, cstatus);
for(i=0;i<cols;i++)
  printf("Column %d: %d\n", i, cstatus[i]);
XPRSglobal(prob);</pre>
```

Related topics

XPRSqetbasis, XPRSloadbasis, XPRSloadpresolvebasis.

XPRSgetpresolvemap

Purpose

Returns the mapping of the row and column numbers from the presolve problem back to the original problem.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

rowmap Integer array of length ROWS where the row maps will be returned.

colmap Integer array of length COLS where the column maps will be returned.
```

Example

The following reads in a (Mixed) Integer Programming problem and gets the mapping for the rows and columns back to the original problem following optimization of the linear relaxation. The elimination operations of the presolve are turned off so that a one-to-one mapping between the presolve problem and the original problem.

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "MyProb", "");
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVEOPS, 255);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
colmap = malloc(cols*sizeof(int));
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
rowmap = malloc(rows*sizeof(int));
XPRSgetpresolvemap(prob, rowmap, colmap);
```

Further information

In order to get a one-to-one mapping between the presolve problem and the original problem the elimination operations of the presolve must be turned off using;

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVEOPS, 255);
```

Related topics

5.2.

XPRSgetpresolvesol

Purpose

Returns the solution for the presolved problem from memory.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
Х	Double array of length ${\tt COLS}$ where the values of the primal variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
slack	Double array of length $_{\hbox{\scriptsize ROWS}}$ where the values of the slack variables will be returned. May be $_{\hbox{\scriptsize NULL}}$ if not required.
dual	Double array of length ROWS where the values of the dual variables will be returned. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.
dj	Double array of length <code>COLS</code> where the reduced cost for each variable will be returned. May be <code>NULL</code> if not required.

Example

The following reads in a (Mixed) Integer Programming problem and displays the solution to the presolved problem following optimization of the linear relaxation:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "MyProb", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
x = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));
XPRSgetpresolvesol(prob, x, NULL, NULL, NULL);
for(i=0;i<cols;i++)
printf("Presolved x(%d) = %g\n",i,x[i]);
XPRSglobal(prob);</pre>
```

Further information

- 1. If the problem has not been presolved, the solution in memory will be returned.
- 2. The solution to the original problem should be returned using the related function XPRSgetlpsol.

Related topics

```
XPRSqetlpsol, 5.2.
```

XPRSgetprobname

Purpose

Returns the current problem name.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetprobname(XPRSprob prob, char *probname);
```

Arguments

```
probprobnameA string of up to 200 characters to contain the current problem name.
```

Example

The following returns the problem name into probname:

```
char probname[200];
...
XPRSgetprobname(prob,probname);
```

Related topics

XPRSsetprobname.

XPRSgetqobj

Purpose

Returns a single quadratic objective function coefficient corresponding to the variable pair (icol, jcol) of the Hessian matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetqobj(XPRSprob prob, int icol, int jcol, double *dval);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
icol	Column index for the first variable in the quadratic term.
jcol	Column index for the second variable in the quadratic term.
dval	Pointer to a double value where the objective function coefficient is to be placed.

Example

The following returns the coefficient of the x_0^2 term in the objective function, placing it in the variable value:

```
double value;
...
XPRSgetqobj(prob,0,0,&value);
```

Further information

dval is the coefficient in the quadratic Hessian matrix. For example, if the objective function has the term $[3x_1x_2 + 3x_2x_1]/2$ the value retrieved by XPRSgetqobj is 3.0 and if the objective function has the term $[6x_1^2]/2$ the value retrieved by XPRSgetqobj is 6.0.

Related topics

XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj.

XPRSgetqrowcoeff

Purpose

Returns a single quadratic constraint coefficient corresponding to the variable pair (icol, jcol) of the Hessian of a given constraint.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
row	The quadratic row where the coefficient is to be looked up.
icol	Column index for the first variable in the quadratic term.
jcol	Column index for the second variable in the quadratic term.
dval	Pointer to a double value where the objective function coefficient is to be placed.

Example

The following returns the coefficient of the ${\rm x_0}^2$ term in the second row, placing it in the variable value :

```
double value;
...
XPRSgetqrowcoeff(prob, 1, 0, 0, &value);
```

Further information

The coefficient returned corresponds to the Hessian of the constraint. That means the for constraint $x + [x^2 + 6 xy] \le 10 \text{ XPRSgetqrowcoeff}$ would return 1 as the coefficient of x^2 and 3 as the coefficient of xy.

Related topics

```
XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets, XPRSgetqrows, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSgetqobj.
```

XPRSgetqrowqmatrix

Purpose

Returns the nonzeros in a quadratic constraint coefficients matrix for the columns in a given range. To achieve maximum efficiency, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix returns the lower triangular part of this matrix only.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetqrowqmatrix(XPRSprob prob, int irow, int mstart[],
    int mclind[], double dqe[], int size, int * nels, int first, int
    last);
```

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
irow	Index of the row for which the quadratic coefficients are to be returned.
mstart	Integer array which will be filled with indices indicating the starting offsets in the mclind and dobjval arrays for each requested column. It must be length of at least last-first+2. Column i starts at position mstart[i] in the mrwind and dmatval arrays, and has mstart[i+1]-mstart[i] elements in it. May be NULL if size is 0.
mclind	Integer array of length size which will be filled with the column indices of the nonzero elements in the lower triangular part of Q. May be NULL if size is 0.
dqe	Double array of length size which will be filled with the nonzero element values. May be NULL if size is 0.
size	Double array of length size containing the objective function coefficients.
nels	Pointer to the integer where the number of nonzero elements in the mclind and dobjval arrays will be returned. If the number of nonzero elements is greater than size, then only size elements will be returned. If nels is smaller than size, then only nels will be returned.
first	First column in the range.
last	Last column in the range.

Related topics

XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSgetqrowcoeff, XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets, XPRSgetqrows, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSgetqobj.

XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets

Purpose

Returns the nonzeros in a quadratic constraint coefficients matrix as triplets (index pairs with coefficients). To achieve maximum efficiency, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets returns the lower triangular part of this matrix only.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
irow	Index of the row for which the quadratic coefficients are to be returned.
nqelem	Argument used to return the number of quadratic coefficients in the row.
mqcol1	First index in the triplets. May be NULL if not required.
mqcol2	Second index in the triplets. May be NULL if not required.
dqe	Coefficients in the triplets. May be NULL if not required.

Related topics

```
XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSgetqrowcoeff, XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix, XPRSgetqrows, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSgetqobj.
```

XPRSgetqrows

Purpose

Returns the list indices of the rows that have quadratic coefficients.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetqrows(XPRSprob prob, int * qmn, int qcrows[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

qmn Used to return the number of quadratic constraints in the matrix.

qcrows Arrays of length *qmn used to return the indices of rows with quadratic coefficients

in them. May be NULL if not required.

Related topics

XPRSloadqcqp, XPRSgetqrowcoeff, XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrix, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtriplets, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSgetqobj.

XPRSgetrhs

Purpose

Returns the right hand side elements for the rows in a given range.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetrhs(XPRSprob prob, double rhs[], int first, int last);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.
rhs Double array of length last-first+1 where the right hand side elements are to be placed.
first First row in the range.
last Last row in the range.

Example

The following example retrieves the right hand side values of the problem:

```
int rows;
double *rhs;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
rhs = (double *) malloc(sizeof(double)*rows);
XPRSgetrhs(prob, rhs, 0, rows-1);
```

Related topics

XPRSchgrhs, XPRSchgrhsrange, XPRSgetrhsrange.

XPRSgetrhsrange

Purpose

Returns the right hand side range values for the rows in a given range.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.
range Double array of length last-first+1 where the right hand side range values are to be placed.
```

first First row in the range.
last Last row in the range.

Example

The following returns right hand side range values for all rows in the matrix:

```
int rows;
double *range;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
range = malloc(rows*sizeof(double));
XPRSgetrhsrange(prob, range, 0, rows);
```

Related topics

XPRSchgrhs, XPRSchgrhsrange, XPRSgetrhs, XPRSrange.

XPRSgetrowrange

Purpose

Returns the row ranges computed by XPRSrange.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetrowrange(XPRSprob prob, double upact[], double
    loact[], double uup[], double udn[]);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

upact Double array of length ROWS for the upper row activities.

loact Double array of length ROWS for the lower row activities.

uup Double array of length ROWS for the upper row unit costs.

udn Double array of length ROWS for the lower row unit costs.
```

Example

The following computes row ranges and returns them:

```
int rows;
double *upact, *loact, *uup, *udn;
...
XPRSrange(prob);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
upact = malloc(rows*sizeof(double));
loact = malloc(rows*sizeof(double));
uup = malloc(rows*sizeof(double));
udn = malloc(rows*sizeof(double));
...
XPRSgetrowrange(prob, upact, loact, uup, udn);
```

Further information

The activities and unit costs are obtained from the range file (*problem_name.rng*). The meaning of the upper and lower column activities and upper and lower unit costs in the ASCII range files is described in Appendix A.

Related topics

XPRSchgrhsrange, XPRSgetcolrange.

XPRSgetrows

Purpose

Returns the nonzeros in the constraint matrix for the rows in a given range.

Synopsis

Arguments

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	prob	The current problem.
	mstart	Integer array which will be filled with the indices indicating the starting offsets in the mclind and dmatval arrays for each requested row. It must be of length at least last-first+2. Column i starts at position mstart[i] in the mrwind and dmatval arrays, and has mstart[i+1]-mstart[i] elements in it. May be NULL if not required.
	mclind	Integer arrays of length \mathtt{size} which will be filled with the column indices of the nonzero elements for each row. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.
	dmatval	Double array of length $size$ which will be filled with the nonzero element values. May be NULL if not required.
	size	Maximum number of elements to be retrieved.
	nels	Pointer to the integer where the number of nonzero elements in the mclind and dmatval arrays will be returned. If the number of nonzero elements is greater that size, then only size elements will be returned. If nels is smaller that size, then only nels will be returned.
	first	First row in the range.
	last	Last row in the range.

Example

The following example returns and displays at most six nonzero matrix entries in the first two rows:

```
int size=6, nels, mstart[3], mclind[6];
double dmatval[6];
...

XPRSgetrows(prob, mstart, mclind, dmatval, size, &nels, 0, 1);
for(i=0;i<nels;i++) printf("\t%2.1f\n", dmtval[i]);</pre>
```

Further information

It is possible to obtain just the number of elements in the range of columns by replacing mstart, mclind and dmatval by NULL. In this case, size must be set to 0 to indicate that the length of arrays passed is 0.

Related topics

XPRSgetcols, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSgetrowtype.

XPRSgetrowtype

Purpose

Returns the row types for the rows in a given range.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
The current problem.
prob
           Character array of length last-first+1 characters where the row types will be
qrtype
           returned:
                  indicates a free constraint;
           L
                  indicates a < constraint;
                  indicates an = constraint;
                  indicates a \ge constraint;
           G
                  indicates a range constraint.
           R
                  indicates a row of type L with quadratic coefficients;
                  indicates a row of type G with quadratic coefficients;
first
           First row in the range.
           Last row in the range.
last
```

Example

The following example retrieves row types into an array qrtype:

```
int rows;
char *qrtype;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
qrtype = (char *) malloc(sizeof(char)*rows);
XPRSgetrowtype(prob, qrtype, 0, rows-1);
```

Related topics

XPRSchgrowtype, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSgetrows.

XPRSgetscaledinfeas

Purpose

Returns a list of scaled infeasible primal and dual variables for the original problem. If the problem is currently presolved, it is postsolved before the function returns.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetscaledinfeas(XPRSprob prob, int *npv, int *nps, int
    *nds, int *ndv, int mx[], int mslack[], int mdual[], int mdj[]);
```

Arguments

۰		
	prob	The current problem.
	npv	Number of primal infeasible variables.
	nps	Number of primal infeasible rows.
	nds	Number of dual infeasible rows.
	ndv	Number of dual infeasible variables.
	mx	Integer array of length \mathtt{npv} where the primal infeasible variables will be returned. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.
	mslack	Integer array of length ${\tt nps}$ where the primal infeasible rows will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
	mdual	Integer array of length ${\tt nds}$ where the dual infeasible rows will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
	mdj	Integer array of length ${\tt ndv}$ where the dual infeasible variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.

Error value

422 A solution is not available.

Related controls

Double

```
FEASTOL Zero tolerance on RHS.

OPTIMALITYTOL Reduced cost tolerance.
```

Example

In this example, XPRSgetscaledinfeas is first called with nulled integer arrays to get the number of infeasible entries. Then space is allocated for the arrays and the function is again called to fill them in.

Further information

If any of the last four arguments are set to \mathtt{NULL} , the corresponding number of infeasibilities is still returned.

Related topics

XPRSgetinfeas, XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSgetsol

Purpose

This function is deprecated and will be removed in version 18. Users should use the XPRSgetlpsol or XPRSgetmipsol functions instead. It is included for compatibility with version 16 and is used to obtain the solution values following optimization.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetsol(XPRSprob prob, double x[], double slack[], double
    dual[], double dj[]);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
X	Double array of length ${\tt COLS}$ where the values of the primal variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
slack	Double array of length ${\tt ROWS}$ where the values of the slack variables will be returned. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
dual	Double array of length ROWS where the values of the dual variables will be returned. May be NULL if not required.
dj	Double array of length COLS where the reduced cost for each variable will be returned. May be NULL if not required.

Related controls

Integer

SOLUTIONFILE Enable/disable the binary solution file.

Example

The following sequence of commands will get the solution (x) at the top node and the optimal MIP solution (y) for a problem:

```
int cols;
double *x, *y;
...

XPRSmaxim(prob, "");

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ORIGINALCOLS, &cols);
x = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));

XPRSgetsol(prob, x, NULL, NULL, NULL);

XPRSglobal(prob);
y = malloc(cols*sizeof(double));

XPRSgetsol(prob, y, NULL, NULL, NULL);
```

Further information

- 1. If the matrix is modified after calling XPRSmaxim or XPRSminim, then the solution will no longer be available.
- 2. If the problem has been presolved, then XPRSgetsol returns the solution to the original problem. The only way to obtain the presolved solution is to call the related function, XPRSgetpresolvesol.

Related topics

XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol.

XPRSgetstrattrib

Purpose

Enables users to recover the values of various string problem attributes. Problem attributes are set during loading and optimization of a problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetstrattrib(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, char *cval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Problem attribute whose value is to be returned. A full list of all problem attributes

may be found in 8, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

cval Pointer to a string where the value of the attribute (plus null terminator) will be

returned.

Example

The following retrieves the name of the matrix just loaded:

```
char matrixname[256];
...
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSgetstrattrib(prob, XPRS_MATRIXNAME, matrixname);
```

Related topics

XPRSgetdblattrib, XPRSgetintattrib.

XPRSgetstrcontrol

Purpose

Returns the value of a given string control parameters.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetstrcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, char *cgval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be returned. A full list of all controls may be

found in 7, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

cgval Pointer to a string where the value of the control (plus null terminator) will be

returned.

Example

In the following, the value of MPSBOUNDNAME is retrieved and displayed:

```
char mpsboundname[256];
...
XPRSgetstrcontrol(prob, XPRS_MPSBOUNDNAME, mpsboundname);
printf("Name = %s\n", mpsboundname);
```

Related topics

XPRSgetdblcontrol, XPRSgetintcontrol, XPRSsetstrcontrol.

XPRSgetub

Purpose

Returns the upper bounds for the columns in a given range.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetub(XPRSprob prob, double ub[], int first, int last);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ub **Double array of length** last-first+1 **where the upper bounds are to be placed.**

first First column in the range.

last Last column in the range.

Example

The following example retrieves the upper bounds for the columns of the current problem:

```
int cols;
double *ub;
...

XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
ub = (double *) malloc(sizeof(double)*ncol);
XPRSgetub(prob, ub, 0, ncol-1);
```

Further information

Values greater than or equal to XPRS_PLUSINFINITY should be interpreted as infinite; values less than or equal to XPRS_MINUSINFINITY should be interpreted as infinite and negative.

Related topics

XPRSchgbounds, XPRSgetlb.

XPRSgetunbvec

Purpose

Returns the index vector which causes the primal simplex or dual simplex algorithm to determine that a matrix is primal or dual unbounded respectively.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetunbvec(XPRSprob prob, int *junb);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

junb

Pointer to an integer where the vector causing the problem to be detected as being primal or dual unbounded will be returned. In the dual simplex case, the vector is the leaving row for which the dual simplex detected dual unboundedness. In the primal simplex case, the vector is the entering row <code>junb</code> (if <code>junb</code> is in the range 0 to <code>ROWS-1</code>) or column (variable) <code>junb-ROWS-SPAREROWS</code> (if <code>junb</code> is between <code>ROWS+SPAREROWS</code> and <code>ROWS+SPAREROWS+COLS-1</code>) for which the primal simplex detected primal unboundedness.

Error value

91 A current problem is not available.

Further information

When solving using the dual simplex method, if the problem is primal infeasible then XPRSgetunbvec returns the pivot row where dual unboundedness was detected. Also note that when solving using the dual simplex method, if the problem is primal unbounded then XPRSgetunbvec returns -1 since the problem is dual infeasible and not dual unbounded.

Related topics

XPRSgetinfeas, XPRSmaxim and XPRSminim.

XPRSgetversion

Purpose

Returns the full Optimizer version number in the form 15.10.03, where 15 is the major release, 10 is the minor release, and 03 is the build number.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgetversion(char *version);
```

Argument

version Buffer long enough to hold the version string (plus a null terminator). This should be at least 16 characters.

Related controls

Integer

VERSION

The Optimizer version number

Example

The following calls XPRSgetversion to return version information at the start of the program:

```
char version[16];
XPRSgetversion(version);
printf("Xpress-Optimizer version %s\n", version);
XPRSinit (NULL);
```

Further information

This function supersedes the VERSION control, which only returns the first two parts of the version number. Release 2004 versions of the Optimizer have a three-part version number.

Related topics

XPRSinit.

XPRSglobal GLOBAL

Purpose

Starts the global search for an integer solution after solving the LP relaxation with XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) or continues a global search if it has been interrupted.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSglobal(XPRSprob prob);
GLOBAL

Argument

prob The current problem.

Related controls

Integer

BACKTRACK Node selection criterion.

BRANCHCHOICE Once a global entity has been selected for branching, this control deter-

mines whether the branch with the minimum or maximum estimate is fol-

lowed first.

BREADTHFIRST Limit for node selection criterion.

COVERCUTS Number of rounds of lifted cover inequalities at top node.

CPUTIME 1 for CPU time; 0 for elapsed time.

CUTDEPTH Maximum depth in the tree at which cuts are generated.

CUTFREQ Frequency at which cuts are generated in the tree search.

CUTSTRATEGY Specifies the cut strategy.

DEFAULTALG Algorithm to use with the tree search.

GOMCUTS Number of rounds of Gomory cuts at the top node.

KEEPMIPSOL Number of integer solutions to store.

MAXMIPSOL Maximum number of MIP solutions to find.

MAXNODE Maximum number of nodes in Branch and Bound search.

MAXTIME Maximum time allowed.

MIPLOG Global print flag.

MIPPRESOLVE Type of integer preprocessing to be performed.

MIPTHREADS Number of threads used for parallel MIP search.

NODESELECTION Node selection control.

REFACTOR Indicates whether to re-factorize the optimal basis.

SBBEST Number of infeasible global entities on which to perform strong branching.

SBITERLIMIT Number of dual iterations to perform strong branching.

SBSELECT The size of the candidate list of global entities for strong branching.

TREECOVERCUTS Number of rounds of lifted cover inequalities in the tree.

TREEGOMCUTS Number of rounds of Gomory cuts in the tree.

VARSELECTION Node selection degradator estimate control.

Double

DEGRADEFACTOR Factor to multiply estimated degradations by.

MIPABSCUTOFF Cutoff set after an LP optimizer command.

MIPABSSTOP Absolute optimality stopping criterion.

MIPADDCUTOFF Amount added to objective function to give new cutoff.

MIPRELCUTOFF Percentage cutoff.

MIPRELSTOP Relative optimality stopping criterion.

MIPTARGET Target object function for global.

MIPTOL Integer feasibility tolerance.

PSEUDOCOST Default pseudo cost in node degradation estimation.

Example 1 (Library)

The following example inputs a problem fred.mat, solves the LP and the global problem before printing the solution to file.

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "fred", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSglobal(prob);
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob);
```

Example 2 (Console)

The equivalent set of commands for the Console Optimizer are:

```
READPROB fred
MAXIM
GLOBAL
WRITEPRTSOL
```

Further information

- 1. When an optimal LP solution has been found with XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM), the search for an integer solution is started using XPRSglobal (GLOBAL). In many cases XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) is to be called directly after XPRSmaxim (MAXIM)/XPRSminim (MINIM). In such circumstances this can be achieved slightly more efficiently using the g flag to XPRSmaxim (MAXIM)/XPRSminim (MINIM).
- 2. If a global search is interrupted and XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) is subsequently called again, the search will continue where it left off. To restart the search at the top node you need to call either XPRSinitglobal or XPRSpostolve (POSTSOLVE).
- 3. The controls described for XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) and XPRSminim (MINIM) can also be used to control the XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) algorithm.
- 4. (Console) The global search may be interrupted by typing CTRL-C as long as the user has not already typed ahead.
- 5. A summary log of six columns of information is output every n nodes, where -n is the value of MIPLOG (see A.9).
- 6. Optimizer library users can check the final status of the global search using the MIPSTATUS problem attribute.
- 7. The Optimizer supports global (i.e. active node list) files in excess of 2 GigaBytes by spreading the data over multiple files. The initial global file is given the name probname.glb and subsequent files are named probname.glb.1, probname.glb.2,.... No individual file will be bigger than 2GB.

Related topics

XPRSfixglobal (FIXGLOBAL), XPRSinitglobal, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM)/XPRSminim (MINIM), A.9.

XPRSgoal GOAL

Purpose

Perform goal programming.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSgoal(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename, const char
     *flags);
GOAL [filename] [-flags]
```

Arguments

Related controls

Integer

KEEPMIPSOL

Number of partial solutions to store when using pre-emptive goal programming.

Example 1 (Library)

In the following example, goal programming is carried out on a problem, goalex, taking instructions from the file gbl.gol:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "goalex", "");
XPRSgoal(prob, "gb1", "fo");
```

Example 2 (Console)

Suppose we have a problem where the weight for objective function OBJ1 is unknown and we wish to perform goal programming, maximizing this row and relaxing the resulting constraint by 5% of the optimal value, then the following sequence will solve this problem:

```
READPROB
GOAL
P
O
OBJ1
MAX
P
5
<empty line>
```

Further information

- 1. The command XPRSgoal (GOAL) used with objective functions allows the user to find solutions of problems with more than one objective function. XPRSgoal (GOAL) used with constraints enables the user to find solutions to infeasible problems. The goals are the constraints relaxed at the beginning to make the problem feasible. Then one can see how many of these relaxed constraints can be met, knowing the penalty of making the problem feasible (in the Archimedean case) or knowing which relaxed constraints will never be met (in the pre-emptive case).
- 2. (Console) If the optional filename is specified when GOAL is used, the responses to the prompts are read from filename.gol. If there is an invalid answer to a prompt, goal programming will stop and control will be returned to the Optimizer.
- 3. It is not always possible to use the output of one of the goal problems as an input for further study because the coefficients for the objective function, the right hand side and the row type may all have changed.
- 4. In the Archimedean/objective function option, the fixed value of the resulting objective function will be the linear combination of the right hand sides of the objective functions involved.

Related topics

5.5.

Purpose

Provides quick reference help for console users of the Optimizer.

Synopsis

```
HELP commands
HELP controls
HELP attributes
HELP [command-name]
HELP [control-name]
HELP [attribute-name]
```

Example

This command is used by calling it at the Console Optimizer command line:

HELP MAXTIME

Related topics

None.

Purpose

Provides the Irreducible Infeasible Set (IIS) functionality for the console.

IIS num depending on the type flags.

Synopsis

```
IIS [-flags]
```

Arguments

Finds an IIS.

Ferforms an automated search for a set of independent IISs.

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Example 1 (Console)

This example reads in an infeasible problem, executes an automated search for the IISs, prints the IIS to the screen and then displays a summary on the results.

IIS -w [num fn type] Writes an LP or MPS file named fn containing the IIS subproblem of

```
READPROB PROB.LP IIS -a -s
```

Example 2 (Console)

This example reads in an infeasible problem, identifies an IIS and its isolations, then writes the IIS as an LP for easier viewing and as a CSV file to contain the supplementary information.

```
READPROB PROB.LP
IIS
IIS -i -p 1
IIS -w 1 "IIS.LP" lp
IIS -e 1 "IIS.CSV"
```

Further information

- 1. The IISs are numbered from 1 to NUMIIS. If no IIS number is provided, the functions take the last IIS identified as default. When applicable, IIS 0 refers to the initial infeasible IIS (the IIS approximation).
- 2. A model may have several infeasibilities. Repairing a single IIS may not make the model feasible. For this reason the Optimizer attempts to find an IIS for each of the infeasibilities in a model. You may call the IIS -n function repeatedly, or use the IIS -a function to retrieve all IIS at once.
- 3. An IIS isolation is a special constraint or bound in an IIS. Removing an IIS isolation constraint or bound will remove all infeasibilities in the IIS without increasing the infeasibilities in any row or column outside the IIS, thus in any other IISs. The IIS isolations thus indicate the likely cause of each independent infeasibility and give an indication of which constraint or bound to drop or modify. It is not always possible to find IIS isolations.
- 4. Generally, one should first look for rows or columns in the IIS which are both in isolation, and have a high dual multiplier relative to the others.
- 5. Initial infeasible subproblem: The subproblem identified after the sensitivity filter is referred to as initial infeasible subproblem. Its size is crucial to the running time of the deletion filter and it contains all the infeasibilities of the first phase simplex, thus if the corresponding rows and bounds are removed the problem becomes feasible
- 6. IIS f performs the initial sensitivity analysis on rows and columns to reduce the problem size, and sets up the initial infeasible subproblem. This subproblem significantly speeds up the generation of IISs, however in itself it may serve as an approximation of an IIS, since its identification typically takes only a fraction of time compared to the identification of an IIS.
- 7. The num parameter cannot be zero for IIS -i: the concept of isolations is meaningless for the initial infeasible subproblem.
- 8. If IIS -n [num] is called, the return status is 1 if less than num IISs have been found and zero otherwise. The total number of IISs found is stored in NUMIIS.
- 9. The type flags passed to IIS -w are directly passed to the WRITEPROB command.
- 10. The LP or MPS files created by IIS w corresponding to an IIS contain no objective function, since infeasibility is independent from the objective.
- 11. Please note, that there are problems on the boundary of being infeasible or not. For such problems, feasibility or infeasibility often depends on tolerances or even on scaling. This phenomenon makes it possible that after writing an IIS out as an LP file and reading it back, it may report feasibility. As a first check it is advised to consider the following options:
 - (a) Turn presolve off (e.g. in console presolve = 0) since the nature of an IIS makes it necessary that during their identification the presolve is turned off.
 - (b) Use the primal simplex method to solve the problem (e.g. in console maxim -p).
- 12. Note that the original sense of the original objective function plays no role in an IIS.
- 13. The supplementary information provided in the CSV file created by IIS e is identical to that returned by the XPRSgetiisdata function.
- 14. The IIS approximation and the IISs generated so far are always available.

Related topics

XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite.

XPRSiisall

Purpose

Performs an automated search for independent Irreducible Infeasible Sets (IIS) in an infeasible problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisall(XPRSprob prob);
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Related controls

Integer

MAXIIS

Number of Irreducible Infeasible Sets to be found.

Example

This example searches for IISs and then questions the problem attribute NUMIIS to determine how many were found:

```
int iis;
...
XPRSiisall(prob);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_NUMIIS, &iis);
printf("number of IISs = %d\n", iis);
```

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS –a from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. A model may have several infeasibilities. Repairing a single IIS may not make the model feasible. For this reason the Optimizer can find an IIS for each of the infeasibilities in a model. If the control MAXIIS is set to a positive integer value then the XPRSiisall command will stop if MAXIIS IISs have been found. By default the control MAXIIS is set to -1, in which case an IIS is found for each of the infeasibilities in the model.
- 3. The problem attribute NUMIIS allows the user to recover the number of IISs found in a particular search. Alternatively, the XPRSiisstatus function may be used to retrieve the number of IISs found by XPRSiisfirst (IIS), XPRSiisnext (IIS -n) or XPRSiisall (IIS -a) functions.

Related topics

XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSiisclear

Purpose

Resets the search for Irreducible Infeasible Sets (IIS).

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisclear(XPRSprob prob);
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example

XPRSiisclear(prob);

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS -c from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. The information stored internally about the IISs identified by XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisnext or XPRSiisall are cleared. Functions XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite and XPRSiisisolations cannot be called until the IIS identification procedure is started again.
- 3. This function is automatically called by XPRSiisfirst and XPRSiisall

Related topics

XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSiisfirst

Purpose

Initiates a search for an Irreducible Infeasible Set (IIS) in an infeasible problem.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisfirst(XPRSprob prob, int ifiis, int *status_code);
```

Arguments

The current problem. prob If nonzero the function identifies an IIS, while if 0 it stops after finding the initial ifiis infeasible subproblem. status_code The status after the search: success; 0

if problem is feasible;

error (when the function returns nonzero). 2

Example

This looks for the first IIS.

```
XPRSiisfirst (myprob, 1, &status);
```

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. A model may have several infeasibilities. Repairing a single IIS may not make the model feasible. For this reason the Optimizer can find an IIS for each of the infeasibilities in a model. For the generation of several independent IISs use functions XPRSiisnext (IIS -n) or XPRSiisall (IIS -a).
- 3. IIS sensitivity filter: after an optimal but infeasible first phase primal simplex, it is possible to identify a subproblem containing all the infeasibilities (corresponding to the given basis) to reduce the size of the IIS working problem dramatically, i.e., rows with zero duals (thus with artificials of zero reduced cost) and columns that have zero reduced costs may be deleted. Moreover, for rows and columns with nonzero costs, the sign of the cost is used to relax equality rows either to less than or greater than equal rows, and to drop either possible upper or lower bounds on columns.
- 4. Initial infeasible subproblem: The subproblem identified after the sensitivity filter is referred to as initial infeasible subproblem. Its size is crucial to the running time of the deletion filter and it contains all the infeasibilities of the first phase simplex, thus if the corresponding rows and bounds are removed the problem becomes feasible.
- 5. XPRSiisfirst performs the initial sensitivity analysis on rows and columns to reduce the problem size, and sets up the initial infeasible subproblem. This subproblem significantly speeds up the generation of IISs, however in itself it may serve as an approximation of an IIS, since its identification typically takes only a fraction of time compared to the identification of an IIS.
- 6. The IIS approximation and the IISs generated so far are always available.

Related topics

XPRSqetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSiisisolations

Purpose

Performs the isolation identification procedure for an Irreducible Infeasible Set (IIS).

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisisolations(XPRSprob prob, int num);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

num The number of the IIS identified by either XPRSiisfirst (IIS), XPRSiisnext (IIS
-n) or XPRSiisall (IIS -a) in which the isolations should be identified.
```

Example

This example finds the first IIS and searches for the isolations in that IIS.

```
XPRSiisfirst(prob,1,&status);
XPRSiisisolations (prob,1);
```

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS -i [num] from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. An IIS isolation is a special constraint or bound in an IIS. Removing an IIS isolation constraint or bound will remove all infeasibilities in the IIS without increasing the infeasibilities in any row or column outside the IIS, thus in any other IISs. The IIS isolations thus indicate the likely cause of each independent infeasibility and give an indication of which constraint or bound to drop or modify. It is not always possible to find IIS isolations.
- 3. Generally, one should first look for rows or columns in the IIS which are both in isolation, and have a high dual multiplier relative to the others.
- 4. The num parameter cannot be zero: the concept of isolations is meaningless for the initial infeasible subproblem.

Related topics

```
XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.
```

XPRSiisnext

Purpose

Continues the search for further Irreducible Infeasible Sets (IIS), or calls XPRSiisfirst (IIS) if no IIS has been identified yet.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisnext(XPRSprob prob, int *status_code);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.
status_code The status after the search:
```

- 0 success;
- no more IIS could be found, or problem is feasible if no XPRSiisfirst call preceded:
- on error (when the function returns nonzero).

Example

This looks for a further IIS.

```
XPRSiisnext(prob,&status_code);
```

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS -n from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. A model may have several infeasibilities. Repairing a single IIS may not make the model feasible. For this reason the Optimizer attempts to find an IIS for each of the infeasibilities in a model. You may call the XPRSiisnext function repeatedly, or use the XPRSiisall (IIS -a) function to retrieve all IIS at once.
- 3. This function is not affected by the control MAXIIS.
- 4. If the problem has been modified since the last call to XPRSiisfirst or XPRSiisnext, the generation process has to be started from scratch.

Related topics

XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisstatus, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.

XPRSiisstatus

Purpose

Returns statistics on the Irreducible Infeasible Sets (IIS) found so far by XPRSiisfirst (IIS), XPRSiisnext (IIS -n) or XPRSiisall (IIS -a).

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSiisstatus(XPRSprob prob, int *iiscount, int rowsizes[],
    int colsizes[], double suminfeas[], int numinfeas[]);
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

iiscount The number of IISs found so far.

rowsizes Number of rows in the IISs.

colsizes Number of bounds in the IISs.

suminfeas The sum of infeasibilities in the IISs after the first phase simplex.

The number of infeasible variables in the IISs after the first phase simplex.
```

Example

This example first retrieves the number of IISs found so far, and then retrieves their main properties. Note that the arrays have size count+1, since the first index is reserved for the initial infeasible subset.

```
XPRSiisstatus(myprob,&count,NULL,NULL,NULL,NULL);
rowsizes = malloc((count+1)*sizeof(int));
colsizes = malloc((count+1)*sizeof(int));
suminfeas = malloc((count+1)*sizeof(double));
numinfeas = malloc((count+1)*sizeof(int));
XPRSiisstatus(myprob,&count,rowsizes,colsizes,suminfeas,numinfeas);
```

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS -s from the console has the same effect as this function.
- 2. All arrays should be of dimension iiscount+1. The arrays are 0 based, index 0 corresponding to the initial infeasible subproblem.
- 3. The arrays may be NULL if not required.
- 4. For the initial infeasible problem (at position 0) the subproblem size is returned (which may be different from the number of bounds), while for the IISs the number of bounds is returned (usually much smaller than the number of columns in the IIS).
- 5. Note that the values in suminfeas and numinfeas heavily depend on the actual basis where the simplex has stopped.
- 6. iiscount is set to -1 if the search for IISs has not yet started.

Related topics

```
XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiiswrite, IIS.
```

XPRSiiswrite

Purpose

Writes an LP/MPS/CSV file containing a given Irreducible Infeasible Set (IIS). If 0 is passed as the IIS number parameter, the initial infeasible subproblem is written.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem.

num The ordinal number of the IIS to be written.

fn The name of the file to be created.

type Type of file to be created:

creates an lp/mps file containing the IIS as a linear programming problem;

creates a comma separated (csv) file containing the description and supplementary information on the given IIS.

Example

This writes the first IIS (if one exists and is already found) as an Ip file.

```
XPRSiiswrite(prob,1,"iis.lp",0,"l")
```

typeflags Flags passed to the XPRSwriteprob function.

Further information

- 1. Calling IIS -w [num] fn and IIS -e [num] fn from the console have the same effect as this function.
- 2. Please note, that there are problems on the boundary of being infeasible or not. For such problems, feasibility or infeasibility often depends on tolerances or even on scaling. This phenomenon makes it possible that after writing an IIS out as an LP file and reading it back, it may report feasibility. As a first check it is advised to consider the following options:
 - (a) save the IIS using MPS hexadecimal format (e.g. in console: IIS -w 1 iis.mps x) to eliminate rounding errors associated with conversion between internal and decimal representation.
 - (b) turn presolve off (e.g. in console presolve = 0) since the nature of an IIS makes it necessary that during their identification the presolve is turned off.
 - (c) use the primal simplex method to solve the problem (e.g. in console maxim -p).
- 3. Note that the original sense of the original objective function plays no role in an IIS.
- 4. Even though an attempt is made to identify the most infeasible IISs first by the XPRSiisfirst (IIS), XPRSiisnext (IIS -n) and XPRSiisall (IIS -a) functions, it is also possible that an IIS becomes just infeasible in problems that are otherwise highly infeasible. In such cases, you may try to deal with the more stable IISs first, and consider to use the infeasibility breaker tool if only slight infeasibilities remain.
- 5. The LP or MPS files created by XPRSiiswrite corresponding to an IIS contain no objective function, since infeasibility is independent from the objective.

Related topics

XPRSgetiisdata, XPRSiisall, XPRSiisclear, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisisolations, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisstatus, IIS.

XPRSinit

Purpose

Initializes the Optimizer library. This must be called before any other library routines.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSinit(const char *xpress);
```

Argument

xpress

The directory where the Xpress-MP password file is located. Users should employ a value of NULL unless otherwise advised, allowing the standard initialization directories to be checked.

Example

The following is the usual way of calling XPRSinit:

```
if(XPRSinit(NULL)) printf("Problem with XPRSinit\n");
```

Further information

- 1. Whilst error checking should always be used on all library function calls, it is especially important to do so with the initialization functions, since a majority of errors encountered by users are caused at the initialization stage. Any nonzero return code indicates that no license could be found. In such circumstances the application should be made to exit. A return code of 32, however, indicates that a student license has been found and the software will work, but with restricted functionality and problem capacity. It is possible to retrieve a message describing the error by calling XPRSgetlicerrmsg.
- 2. In multi-threaded applications where all threads are equal, XPRSinit may be called by each thread prior to using the library. Whilst the process of initialization will be carried out only once, this guarantees that the library functions will be available to each thread as necessary. In applications with a clear master thread, spawning other Optimizer threads, initialization need only be called by the master thread.

Related topics

XPRScreateprob, XPRSfree, XPRSgetlicerrmsg.

XPRSinitglobal

Purpose

Reinitializes the global tree search. By default if XPRSglobal is interrupted and called again the global search will continue from where it left off. If XPRSinitglobal is called after the first call to XPRSglobal, the global search will start from the top node when XPRSglobal is called again.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSinitglobal(XPRSprob prob);
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example

The following initializes the global search before attempting to solve the problem again:

```
XPRSinitglobal(prob);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

Related topics

XPRSglobal, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM)/XPRSminim (MINIM).

XPRSinitializenlphessian

Purpose

Used to initialize the NLP solver and to define the maximal possible structure of the Hessian of the nonlinear objective.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

mstart Integer array of length NCOLS indicating the starting offsets in the for each column.

mcol Integer array of length mstart [NCOLS-CSTYLE] containing the column indices of the nonzero elements in the lower triangular part of the quadratic matrix.

Further information

No multiple definitions of the same entry are allowed, and the matrix must be lower triangular. Because the Hessian user callback will expect the same order as is defined here, the optimizer does not attempt to correct any inconsistancies in the input data, but gives an error message if any is detected.

Related topics

```
XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp, 2.6.
```

XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs

Purpose

Used to initialize the NLP solver and to define the maximal possible structure of the Hessian of the nonlinear objective using index pairs.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

nqcelem Number of nonzeros in the maximal possible Hessian.

mcol1 First index of the nonzeros.

Second index of the nonzeros.
```

Further information

- 1. Arrays mcol1 and mcol2 should satisfy the following requirements:
 - 1. a lower triangular matrix is given;
 - 2. indices in mcol1 are monotone increasing;
 - 3. and there are no duplicates defined.
- 2. Because the Hessian user callback will expect the same order as is defined here, the optimizer does not attempt to correct any inconsistencies in the input data, but gives an error message if any is detected.

Related topics

```
XPRSsetcbnlpessian, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlppradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp, 2.6.
```

XPRSinterrupt

Purpose

Interrupts the optimizer algorithms.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSinterrupt(XPRSprob prob, int reason);
```

Arguments

The current problem. prob

The reason for stopping. Possible reasons are: reason

XPRS_STOP_TIMELIMIT time limit hit; XPRS_STOP_CTRLC control C hit; XPRS_STOP_NODELIMIT node limit hit; XPRS_STOP_ITERLIMIT iteration limit hit; XPRS_STOP_MIPGAP MIP gap is sufficiently small; XPRS_STOP_SOLLIMIT solution limit hit;

XPRS_STOP_USER user interrupt.

Further information

The XPRSinterrupt command can be called from any callback.

Related topics

None.

XPRSloadbasis

Purpose

Loads a basis from the user's areas.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSloadbasis(XPRSprob prob, const int rstatus[], const int
      cstatus[]);
```

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
rstatus	Integer array of length ROWS containing the basis status of the slack, surplus or artificial variable associated with each row. The status must be one of: 1 slack, surplus or artificial is non-basic at lower bound; 2 slack or surplus is non-basic at upper bound. 3 slack or surplus is super-basic.
cstatus	Integer array of length COLS containing the basis status of each of the columns in the constraint matrix. The status must be one of: o variable is non-basic at lower bound or superbasic at zero if the variable has no lower bound; variable is basic; variable is at upper bound; variable is super-basic.

Example

This example loads a problem and then reloads a (previously optimized) basis from a similar problem to speed up the optimization:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "problem", "");
XPRSloadbasis(prob, rstatus, cstatus);
XPRSminim(prob,"");
```

Further information

If the problem has been altered since saving an advanced basis, you may want to alter the basis as follows before loading it:

- Make new variables non-basic at their lower bound (cstatus [icol] = 0), unless a variable has an infinite lower bound and a finite upper bound, in which case make the variable non-basic at its upper bound (cstatus[icol]=2);
- Make new constraints basic (rstatus [jrow]=1);
- Try not to delete basic variables, or non-basic constraints.

Related topics

XPRSqetbasis, XPRSqetpresolvebasis, XPRSloadpresolvebasis.

XPRSIoadbranchdirs

Purpose

Loads directives into the current problem to specify which global entities the optimizer should continue to branch on when a node solution is global feasible.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSloadbranchdirs(XPRSprob prob, int ndirs, const int
    mcols[], const int mbranch[]);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.
ndirs Number of directives.
mcols Integer array of length ndirs containing the column numbers. A negative value indicates a set number (the first set being -1, the second -2, and so on).
mbranch Integer array of length ndirs containing either 0 or 1 for the entities given in mcols. Entities for which mbranch is set to 1 will be branched on until fixed before

mcols. Entities for which mbranch is set to 1 will be branched on until fixed before a global feasible solution is returned. If mbranch is NULL, the branching directive will be set for all entities in mcols.

Related topics

XPRSloaddirs, XPRSreaddirs, A.6.

XPRSIoadcuts

Purpose

Loads cuts from the cut pool into the matrix. Without calling XPRSloadcuts the cuts will remain in the cut pool but will not be active at the node. Cuts loaded at a node remain active at all descendant nodes unless they are deleted using XPRSdelcuts.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
itype	Cut type.
interp	The way in which the cut type is interpreted:
	−1 load all cuts;
	1 treat cut types as numbers;
	treat cut types as bit maps - load cut if any bit matches any bit set in itype;
	treat cut types as bit maps - 0 load cut if all bits match those set in itype.
ncuts	Number of cuts to load. A value of -1 indicates load all cuts of type itype.
mcutind	Array containing pointers to the cuts to be loaded into the matrix. This array may be <code>NULL</code> if <code>ncuts</code> is <code>-1</code> , otherwise it has length <code>ncuts</code> . Any indices of <code>-1</code> will be ignored so that the array <code>mindex</code> returned from <code>XPRSstorecuts</code> can be passed directly to <code>XPRSloadcuts</code> .

Related topics

XPRSaddcuts, XPRSdelcpcuts, XPRSdelcuts, XPRSgetcplist, 5.4.

XPRSIoaddelayedrows

Purpose

Specifies that a set of rows in the matrix will be treated as delayed rows during a global search. These are rows that must be satisfied for any integer solution, but will not be loaded into the active set of constraints until required.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

nrows The number of delayed rows.

mrows An array of row indices to treat as delayed rows.

Example

This sets the first six matrix rows as delayed rows in the global problem prob.

```
int mrows[] = {0,1,2,3,4,5}
...
XPRSloaddelayed(prob,6,mrows);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

Further information

Delayed rows must be set up before solving the problem. Any delayed rows will be removed from the matrix after presolve and added to a special pool. A delayed row will be added back into the active matrix only when such a row is violated by an integer solution found by the optimizer.

Related topics

XPRSloadmodelcuts.

XPRSloaddirs

Purpose

Loads directives into the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
ndir	Number of directives.
mcols	Integer array of length $ndir$ containing the column numbers. A negative value indicates a set number (the first set being -1 , the second -2 , and so on).
mpri	Integer array of length $ndir$ containing the priorities for the columns or sets. Priorities must be between 0 and 1000. May be $NULL$ if not required.
qbr	Character array of length ndir specifying the branching direction for each column or set: U the entity is to be forced up; D the entity is to be forced down; N not specified. May be NULL if not required.
dupc	Double array of length $n \text{dir}$ containing the up pseudo costs for the columns or sets. May be <code>NULL</code> if not required.
ddpc	Double array of length $ndir$ containing the down pseudo costs for the columns or sets. May be NULL if not required.

Related topics

XPRSgetdirs, XPRSloadpresolvedirs, XPRSreaddirs.

XPRSloadglobal

Purpose

Used to load a global problem in to the Optimizer data structures. Integer, binary, partial integer, semi-continuous and semi-continuous integer variables can be defined, together with sets of type 1 and 2. The reference row values for the set members are passed as an array rather than specifying a reference row.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSloadglobal(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, int ncol,
   int nrow, const char qrtype[], const double rhs[], const double
   range[], const double obj[], const int mstart[], const int mnel[],
   const int mrwind[], const double dmatval[], const double dlb[],
   const double dub[], int ngents, int nsets, const char qgtype[],
   const int mgcols[], const double dlim[], const char qstype[],
```

Arguments

	nst int mgcols[], const double dlim[], const char qstype[],
CO	<pre>nst int msstart[], const int mscols[], const double dref[]);</pre>
nts	
prob	The current problem.
probname	A string of up to 200 characters containing a name for the problem.
ncol	Number of structural columns in the matrix.
nrow	Number of rows in the matrix not (including the objective row). Objective coefficients must be supplied in the obj array, and the objective function should not be included in any of the other arrays.
qrtype	Character array of length nrow containing the row types: L indicates a ≤ constraint; E indicates an = constraint; G indicates a ≥ constraint; R indicates a range constraint; N indicates a nonbinding constraint.
rhs	Double array of length nrow containing the right hand side coefficients. The right hand side value for a range row gives the upper bound on the row.
range	Double array of length $nrow$ containing the range values for range rows. Values for all other rows will be ignored. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required. The lower bound on a range row is the right hand side value minus the range value. The sign of the range value is ignored - the absolute value is used in all cases.
obj	Double array of length ncol containing the objective function coefficients.
mstart	Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL,

Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL, length ncol+1. If mnel is NULL, the extra entry of mstart, mstart[ncol], contains the position in the mrwind and dmatval arrays at which an extra column would start, if it were present. In C, this value is also the length of the mrwind and dmatval arrays.

mnel Integer array of length ncol containing the number of nonzero elements in each column. May be NULL if not required. This array is not required if the non-zero coefficients in the mrwind and dmatval arrays are continuous, and the mstart array has ncol+1 entries as described above. It may be NULL if not required.

mrwind Integer arrays containing the row indices for the nonzero elements in each column. If the indices are input contiguously, with the columns in ascending order, then the length of mrwind is mstart[ncol-1]+mnel[ncol-1] or, if mnel is NULL, mstart[ncol].

dmatval Double array containing the nonzero element values length as for mrwind.

Double array of length ncol containing the lower bounds on the columns. Use XPRS_MINUSINFINITY to represent a lower bound of minus infinity.

dub Double array of length ncol containing the upper bounds on the columns. Use XPRS_PLUSINFINITY to represent an upper bound of plus infinity.

ngents Number of binary, integer, semi-continuous, semi-continuous integer and partial

integer entities.

nsets Number of SOS1 and SOS2 sets.

qgtype Character array of length ngents containing the entity types:

B binary variables;

integer variables;

p partial integer variables;s semi-continuous variables;

R semi-continuous integer variables.

mgcols Integer array length ngents containing the column indices of the global entities.

dlim Double array length ngents containing the integer limits for the partial integer variables and lower bounds for semi-continuous and semi-continuous integer variables.

ables (any entries in the positions corresponding to binary and integer variables will

be ignored). May be NULL if not required.

qstype Character array of length nsets containing the set types:

SOS1 type sets;

2 SOS2 type sets.

May be NULL if not required.

msstart Integer array containing the offsets in the mscols and dref arrays indicating the

start of the sets. This array is of length nsets+1, the last member containing the offset where set nsets+1 would start. May be NULL if not required.

mscols Integer array of length msstart[nsets]-1 containing the columns in each set.

May be NULL if not required.

dref Double array of length msstart[nsets]-1 containing the reference row entries

for each member of the sets. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAPLEMS

Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAPLESOLVE

Number of extra global entities to be allowed for.

Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

SOSREFTOL Minimum gap between reference row entries.

Example

The following specifies an integer problem, globalEx, corresponding to:

maximize: x + 2ysubject to: $3x + 2y \le 400$ $x + 3y \le 200$

with both x and y integral:

```
char probname[] = "globalEx";
int ncol = 2, nrow = 2;
char qrtype[] = {"L","L"};
double rhs[] = {400.0, 200.0};
int mstart[] = {0, 2, 4};
```

Further information

- 1. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- 2. The double constants <code>XPRS_PLUSINFINITY</code> and <code>XPRS_MINUSINFINITY</code> are defined in the Optimizer library header file.
- 3. Semi-continuous lower bounds are taken from the dlim array. If this is NULL then they are given a default value of 1.0. If a semi-continuous variable has a positive lower bound then this will be used as the semi-continuous lower bound and the lower bound on the variable will be set to zero.

Related topics

XPRSaddsetnames, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

XPRSloadlp

Purpose

Enables the user to pass a matrix directly to the Optimizer, rather than reading the matrix from a file.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSloadlp(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, int ncol,
 int nrow, const char qrtype[], const double rhs[], const double
 range[], const double obj[], const int mstart[], const int mnel[],
 const int mrwind[], const double dmatval[], const double dlb[],
 const double dub[]);

Arguments

range

prob The current problem.

probname A string of up to 200 characters containing a names for the problem.

ncol Number of structural columns in the matrix.

Number of rows in the matrix (not including the objective). Objective coefficients must be supplied in the obj array, and the objective function should not be included in any of the other arrays.

grtype Character array of length nrow containing the row types:

indicates a < constraint;
</p>

E indicates an = constraint:

G indicates $a \ge constraint$;

R indicates a range constraint;

N indicates a nonbinding constraint.

rhs Double array of length nrow containing the right hand side coefficients of the rows. The right hand side value for a range row gives the **upper** bound on the row.

Double array of length nrow containing the range values for range rows. Values for all other rows will be ignored. May be NULL if not required. The lower bound on a range row is the right hand side value minus the range value. The sign of the

range value is ignored - the absolute value is used in all cases.

obj Double array of length ncol containing the objective function coefficients.

Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL, length ncol+1. If mnel is NULL, the extra entry of mstart, mstart[ncol], contains the position in the mrwind and dmatval arrays at which an extra column would start, if it were present. In C, this value is also the length of the mrwind and

dmatval arrays.

Integer array of length ncol containing the number of nonzero elements in each column. May be NULL if not required. This array is not required if the non-zero coefficients in the mrwind and dmatval arrays are continuous, and the mstart

array has ncol+1 entries as described above.

mrwind Integer array containing the row indices for the nonzero elements in each column. If the indices are input contiguously, with the columns in ascending order,

the length of the mrwind is mstart[ncol-1]+mnel[ncol-1] or, if mnel is null,

mstart[ncol].

dmatval Double array containing the nonzero element values; length as for mrwind.

Double array of length ncol containing the lower bounds on the columns. Use XPRS MINUSINFINITY to represent a lower bound of minus infinity.

dub Double array of length ncol containing the upper bounds on the columns. Use XPRS_PLUSINFINITY to represent an upper bound of plus infinity.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAELEMS Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAPRESOLVE Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

Given an LP problem:

maximize:	x + y		
subject to:	2x	\geq	3
	x + 2y	\geq	3
	x + y	\geq	1

the following shows how this may be loaded into the Optimizer using XPRSloadlp:

Further information

- 1. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- 2. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY are defined in the Optimizer library header file.
- 3. For a range constraint, the value in the rhs array specifies the upper bound on the constraint, while the value in the range array specifies the range on the constraint. So a range constraint *j* is interpreted as:

$$|rhs_j - |range_j| \le \sum_i a_{ij} x_i \le rhs_j$$

Related topics

XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

XPRSIoadmipsol

Purpose

Loads a MIP solution for the problem into the optimizer.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSloadmipsol(XPRSprob prob, const double dsol[], int
    *status);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
dsol	Double array of length COLS (for the original problem and not the presolve problem) containing the values of the variables.
status	Pointer to an int where the status will be returned. The status is one of:
-1	Solution rejected because an error occurred;
0	Solution accepted;
1	Solution rejected because it is infeasible;
2	Solution rejected because it is cut off;
3	Solution rejected because the LP reoptimization was interrupted.

Example

This example loads a problem and then loads a solution found previously for the problem to help speed up the MIP search:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "problem", ""):
XPRSloadmipsol(prob, dsol, &status);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

Further information

The values for the continuous variables in the dsol array are ignored and are calculated by fixing the integer variables and reoptimizing.

Related topics

XPRSgetmipsol.

XPRSIoadmodelcuts

Purpose

Specifies that a set of rows in the matrix will be treated as model cuts.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.nmod The number of model cuts.mrows An array of row indices to be treated as cuts.

Error value

268 Cannot perform operation on presolved matrix.

Example

This sets the first six matrix rows as model cuts in the global problem myprob.

```
int mrows[] = {0,1,2,3,4,5}
...
XPRSloadmodelcuts(prob,6,mrows);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

Further information

- 1. During presolve the model cuts are removed from the matrix. Following optimization, the violated model cuts are added back into the matrix and the matrix re-optimized. This continues until no violated cuts remain.
- 2. The model cuts must be "true" model cuts, in the sense that they are redundant at the optimal MIP solution. The Optimizer does not guarantee to add all violated model cuts, so they must not be required to define the optimal MIP solution.

Related topics

5.4.

XPRSloadqcqp

Purpose

Used to load a quadratic problem with quadratic side constraints into the Optimizer data structure. Such a problem may have quadratic terms in its objective function as well as in its constraints.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSloadqcqp(XPRSprob prob, const char * probname, int
 ncol, int nrow, const char qrtypes[], const double rhs[], const
 double range[], const double obj[], const int mstart[], const int
 mnel[], const int mrwind[], const double dmatval[], const double
 dlb[], const double dub[], int nqtr, const int mqcol1[], const int
 mqcol2[], const double dqe[], int qmn, const int qcrows[], const
 int qcnquads[], const int qcmqcol1[], const int qcmqcol2[], const
 double qcdqval[]);

Arguments

	double qcdqval[]);
ents	
prob	The current problem.
probnam	e A string of up to 200 characters containing a name for the problem.
ncol	Number of structural columns in the matrix.
nrow	Number of rows in the matrix (not including the objective row). Objective coefficients must be supplied in the <code>obj</code> array, and the objective function should not be included in any of the other arrays.
qrtype	Character array of length nrow containing the row types: L indicates a <= constraint (use this one for quadratic constraints as well); E indicates an = constraint; G indicates a >= constraint; R indicates a range constraint; N indicates a nonbinding constraint.
rhs	Double array of length $nrow$ containing the right hand side coefficients of the rows. The right hand side value for a range row gives the upper bound on the row.
range	Double array of length $nrow$ containing the range values for range rows. Values for all other rows will be ignored. May be NULL if there are no ranged constraints. The lower bound on a range row is the right hand side value minus the range value. The sign of the range value is ignored - the absolute value is used in all cases.
obj	Double array of length $ncol$ containing the objective function coefficients.
mstart	Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL, length ncol+1. If mnel is NULL the extra entry of mstart, mstart[ncol], contains the position in the mrwind and dmatval arrays at which an extra column would start, if it were present. In C, this value is also the length of the mrwind and dmatval arrays.
mnel	Integer array of length $ncol$ containing the number of nonzero elements in each column. May be NULL if all elements are contiguous and $mstart[ncol]$ contains the offset where the elements for column $ncol+1$ would start. This array is not required if the non-zero coefficients in the $mrwind$ and $dmatval$ arrays are continuous, and the $mstart$ array has $ncol+1$ entries as described above. It may be NULL if not required.
mrwind	Integer array containing the row indices for the nonzero elements in each column. If the indices are input contiguously, with the columns in ascending order, the length of the mrwind is mstart[ncol-1]+mnel[ncol-1] or, if mnel is NULL, mstart[ncol].
dmatval	Double array containing the nonzero element values; length as for mrwind.
dbl	Double array of length ncol containing the lower bounds on the columns. Use

XPRS_MINUSINFINITY to represent a lower bound of minus infinity.

dub Double array of length ncol containing the upper bounds on the columns. Use XPRS_PLUSINFINITY to represent an upper bound of plus infinity.

nqtr Number of quadratic terms.

Integer array of size nqtr containing the column index of the first variable in each quadratic term.

Integer array of size nqtr containing the column index of the second variable in each quadratic term.

dqe Double array of size nqtr containing the quadratic coefficients.

qmn Number of rows containing quadratic matrices.

qcrows Integer array of size qmn, containing the indices of rows with quadratic matrices in them. Note that the rows are expected to be defined in grtype as type L.

qcnquads Integer array of size qmn, containing the number of nonzeros in each quadratic constraint matrix.

qcmqcol1 Integer array of size nqcelem, where nqcelem equals the sum of the elements in qcnquads (i.e. the total number of quadratic matrix elements in all the constraints). It contains the first column indices of the quadratic matrices. Indices for the first matrix are listed from 0 to qcnquads[0]-1, for the second matrix from qcnquads[0] to qcnquads[0]+ qcnquads[1]-1, etc.

qcmqcol2 Integer array of size nqcelem, containing the second index for the quadratic constraint matrices.

qcdqval Integer array of size nqcelem, containing the coefficients for the quadratic constraint matrices.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS

Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAELEMS

Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAMIPENTS

Number of extra global entities to be allowed for.

EXTRAPRESOLVE

Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAQCELEMENTS

Number of extra qcqp elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAOCROWS

Number of extra qcqp matrices to be allowed for.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

To load the following problem presented in LP format:

```
minimize [ x^2 ]
s.t.
4 x + y <= 4
x + y + [z^2] <= 5
[ x^2 + 2 x*y + y^2 + 4 y*z + z^2 ] <= 10
x + 2 y >= 8
[ 3 y^2 ] <= 20
end
```

the following code may be used:

```
int ncols = 3;
int nrows = 5;
```

```
char rowtypes[] = {'L','L','L','G','L'};
    double rhs[] = \{4, 5, 10, 8, 20\};
    double range[] = \{0,0,0,0,0\};
    double obj[] = \{0,0,0,0,0\};
    int mstart[] = \{0, 3, 6, 6\};
    int* mnel = NULL;
    int mrind[] = \{0,1,3,0,1,3\};
    double dmatval[] = \{4,1,1,1,1,2\};
    double lb[] = \{0,0,0\};
    double ub[] = {XPRS_PLUSINFINITY, XPRS_PLUSINFINITY,
    XPRS_PLUSINFINITY);
    int nqtr = 1;
    int mqc1[] = {0};
    int mqc2[] = {0};
    double dqe[] = \{1\};
    int qmn = 3;
    int qcrows[] = \{1, 2, 4\};
    int qcnquads[] = \{1, 5, 1\};
    int gcmcol1[] = \{2,0,0,1,1,2,1\};
    int qcmcol2[] = \{2,0,1,1,2,2,1\};
    // ! to have 2xy define 1xy (1yx will be assumed to be implicitly
    present)
    double qcdqval[] = \{1,1,1,1,2,1,3\};
}
XPRSloadqcqp(xprob, "qcqp", ncols, nrows, rowtypes, rhs, range, obj, mstart,
mnel, mrind, dmatval, lb, ub, nqtr, mqc1, mqc2, dqe, qmn, qcrows, qcnquads,
qcmcol1,qcmcol2,qcdqval);
```

Further information

- 1. The objective function is of the form c^Tx+x^TQx where Q is positive semi-definite for minimization problems and negative semi-definite for maximization problems. If this is not the case the optimization algorithms may converge to a local optimum or may not converge at all. Note that only the upper or lower triangular part of the Q matrix is specified.
- 2. All Q matrices in the constraints must be positive semi-definite. Note that only the upper or lower triangular part of the Q matrix is specified for constraints as well.
- 3. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- **4.** The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY are defined in the Optimizer library header file.

Related topics

XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal, XPRSloadgp, XPRSreadprob.

XPRSIoadpresolvebasis

3

Purpose

Loads a presolved basis from the user's areas.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem. prob Integer array of length ROWS containing the basis status of the slack, surplus or rstatus artificial variable associated with each row. The status must be one of: slack, surplus or artificial is non-basic at lower bound; slack, surplus or artificial is basic; slack or surplus is non-basic at upper bound. Integer array of length COLS containing the basis status of each of the columns in cstatus the matrix. The status must be one of: variable is non-basic at lower bound or superbasic at zero if the variable has no lower bound; variable is basic; 1 2 variable is at upper bound;

Example

The following example saves the presolved basis for one problem, loading it into another:

```
int rows, cols, *rstatus, *cstatus;
...
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ROWS, &rows);
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
rstatus = malloc(rows*sizeof(int));
cstatus = malloc(cols*sizeof(int));
XPRSgetpresolvebasis(prob, rstatus, cstatus);
XPRSreadprob(prob2, "myotherprob", "");
XPRSminim(prob2, "");
XPRSloadpresolvebasis(prob2, rstatus, cstatus);
```

Related topics

XPRSqetbasis, XPRSqetpresolvebasis, XPRSloadbasis.

variable is super-basic.

XPRSIoadpresolvedirs

Purpose

Loads directives into the presolved matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSloadpresolvedirs(XPRSprob prob, int ndir, const int
    mcols[], const int mpri[], const char qbr[], const double dupc[],
    const double ddpc[]);
```

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
ndir	Number of directives.
mcols	Integer array of length $ndir$ containing the column numbers. A negative value indicates a set number (-1 being the first set, -2 the second, and so on).
mpri	Integer array of length ${\tt ndir}$ containing the priorities for the columns or sets. May be ${\tt NULL}$ if not required.
qbr	Character array of length ndir specifying the branching direction for each column or set: U the entity is to be forced up; D the entity is to be forced down; N not specified. May be NULL if not required.
dupc	Double array of length $ndir$ containing the up pseudo costs for the columns or sets. May be NULL if not required.
ddpc	Double array of length $ndir$ containing the down pseudo costs for the columns or sets. May be NULL if not required.

Example

The following loads priority directives for column 0 in the matrix:

```
int mcols[] = {0}, mpri[] = {1};
...
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSloadpresolvedirs(prob, 1, mcols, mpri, NULL, NULL, NULL);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

Related topics

 ${\tt XPRSgetdirs, XPRSloaddirs.}$

XPRSloadgglobal

Purpose

Used to load a global problem with quadratic objective coefficients in to the Optimizer data structures. Integer, binary, partial integer, semi-continuous and semi-continuous integer variables can be defined, together with sets of type 1 and 2. The reference row values for the set members are passed as an array rather than specifying a reference row.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSloadqglobal(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, int ncol, int nrow, const char qrtype[], const double rhs[], const double range[], const double obj[], const int mstart[], const int mnel[], const int mrwind[], const double dmatval[], const double dlb[], const double dub[], const int nqtr, const int mqc1[], const int mqc2[], const double dqe[], const int ngents, const int nsets, const char qgtype[], const int mgcols[], const double dlim[], const char qstype[], const int msstart[], const int mscols[], const double dref[]);

Arguments

The current problem. prob

probname A string of up to 200 characters containing a name for the problem.

Number of structural columns in the matrix. ncol

Number of rows in the matrix (not including the objective). Objective coefficients $nr \cap w$ must be supplied in the obj array, and the objective function should not be included in any of the other arrays.

Character array of length nrow containing the row type: qrtype

> indicates $a \le constraint$; L

indicates an = constraint; Ε

G indicates a > constraint;

R indicates a range constraint;

indicates a nonbinding constraint.

rhs Double array of length nrow containing the right hand side coefficients. The right

hand side value for a range row gives the upper bound on the row.

Double array of length nrow containing the range values for range rows. The values range in the range array will only be read for R type rows. The entries for other type rows will be ignored. May be \mathtt{NULL} if not required. The lower bound on a range row is the right hand side value minus the range value. The sign of the range value is

ignored - the absolute value is used in all cases.

obi Double array of length ncol containing the objective function coefficients.

Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start mstart of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL,

length ncol+1.

Integer array of length ncol containing the number of nonzero elements in each mnel

column. May be NULL if not required. This array is not required if the non-zero coefficients in the mrwind and dmatval arrays are continuous, and the mstart

array has ncol+1 entries as described above. It may be NULL if not required.

Integer arrays containing the row indices for the nonzero elements in each colmrwind umn. If the indices are input contiguously, with the columns in ascending order, then the length of mrwind is mstart [ncol-1] +mnel [ncol-1] or, if mnel is NULL,

mstart[ncol].

Double array containing the nonzero element values length as for mrwind. dmatval

Double array of length ncol containing the lower bounds on the columns. Use dlh

XPRS_MINUSINFINITY to represent a lower bound of minus infinity.

Double array of length ncol containing the upper bounds on the columns. Use dub

XPRS_PLUSINFINITY to represent an upper bound of plus infinity.

nqtr Number of quadratic terms.

mqc1 Integer array of size nqtr containing the column index of the first variable in each

quadratic term.

mgc2 Integer array of size ngtr containing the column index of the second variable in

each quadratic term.

dge Double array of size ngtr containing the quadratic coefficients.

ngents Number of binary, integer, semi-continuous, semi-continuous integer and partial

integer entities.

nsets Number of SOS1 and SOS2 sets.

qgtype Character array of length ngents containing the entity types:

B binary variables;

integer variables;

P partial integer variables;

semi-continuous variables;

R semi-continuous integers.

mgcols Integer array length ngents containing the column indices of the global entities.

dlim Double array length ngents containing the integer limits for the partial integer variables and lower bounds for semi-continuous and semi-continuous integer variables (any entries in the positions corresponding to binary and integer variables will

be ignored). May be NULL if not required.

qstype Character array of length nsets containing:

1 SOS1 type sets;

2 SOS2 type sets.

May be NULL if not required.

msstart Integer array containing the offsets in the mscols and dref arrays indicating the start of the sets. This array is of length nsets+1, the last member containing the

offset where set nsets+1 would start. May be NULL if not required.

May be NULL if not required.

dref Double array of length msstart[nsets]-1 containing the reference row entries

for each member of the sets. May be NULL if not required.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAPLEMS

Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAPLESOLVE

Number of extra global entities to be allowed for.

Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

SOSREFTOL Minimum gap between reference row entries.

Example

Minimize $-6x_1 + 2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2$ subject to $x_1 + x_2 < 1.9$, where x_1 must be an integer:

```
int nrow = 1, ncol = 2, nquad = 3;
int mstart[] = {0, 1, 2};
int mrwind[] = {0, 0};
double dmatval[] = {1, 1};
double rhs[] = {1.9};
```

```
char qrtype[] = {"L"};
double lbound[] = \{0, 0\};
double ubound[] = {XPRS_PLUSINFINITY, XPRS_PLUSINFINITY};
double obj[] = \{-6, 0\};
int mqc1[] = \{0, 0, 1\};
int mqc2[] = \{0, 1, 1\};
double dquad[] = \{4, -2, 4\};
int ngents = 1, nsets = 0;
int mgcols[] = {0};
char qgtype[]={'I'};
double *primal, *dual;
primal = malloc(ncol*sizeof(double));
dual = malloc(nrow*sizeof(double));
XPRSloadgglobal(prob, "myprob", ncol, nrow, grtype, rhs,
                NULL, obj, mstart, NULL, mrwind,
                dmatval, 1bound, ubound, nguad, mgc1, mgc2,
                dquad, ngents, nsets, qgtype, mgcols, NULL,
                NULL, NULL, NULL, NULL)
```

Further information

- 1. The objective function is of the form c' x+x' Qx where Q is positive semi-definite for minimization problems and negative semi-definite for maximization problems. If this is not the case the optimization algorithms may converge to a local optimum or may not converge at all. Note that only the upper or lower triangular part of the Q matrix is specified.
- 2. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- 3. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY are defined in the Optimizer library header file.

Related topics

XPRSaddsetnames, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgp, XPRSreadprob.

XPRSloadqp

Purpose

Used to load a quadratic problem into the Optimizer data structure. Such a problem may have quadratic terms in its objective function, although not in its constraints.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSloadqp(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, int ncol,
 int nrow, const char qrtype[], const double rhs[], const double
 range[], const double obj[], const int mstart[], const int mnel[],
 const int mrwind[], const double dmatval[], const double dlb[],
 const double dub[], int nqtr, const int mqc1[], const int mqc2[],
 const double dqe[]);

Arguments

rhs

prob The current problem.

probname A string of up to 200 characters containing a names for the problem.

ncol Number of structural columns in the matrix.

Number of rows in the matrix (not including the objective row). Objective coefficients must be supplied in the obj array, and the objective function should not be included in any of the other arrays.

qrtype Character array of length nrow containing the row types:

L indicates $a \leq constraint$;

E indicates an = constraint;

G indicates $a \ge constraint$;

R indicates a range constraint;N indicates a nonbinding constraint.

Double array of length nrow containing the right hand side coefficients of the rows.

The right hand side value for a range row gives the **upper** bound on the row.

Double array of length nrow containing the range values for range rows. Values for all other rows will be ignored. May be NULL if there are no ranged constraints. The lower bound on a range row is the right hand side value minus the range value.

The sign of the range value is ignored - the absolute value is used in all cases.

obj Double array of length nool containing the objective function coefficients.

Integer array containing the offsets in the mrwind and dmatval arrays of the start of the elements for each column. This array is of length ncol or, if mnel is NULL, length ncol+1. If mnel is NULL the extra entry of mstart, mstart[ncol], contains the position in the mrwind and dmatval arrays at which an extra column would start, if it were present. In C, this value is also the length of the mrwind and

dmatval arrays.

mnel Integer array of length ncol containing the number of nonzero elements in each column. May be NULL if all elements are contiguous and mstart[ncol] contains

the offset where the elements for column ncol+1 would start. This array is not required if the non-zero coefficients in the mrwind and dmatval arrays are continuous, and the mstart array has ncol+1 entries as described above. It may be NULL

if not required.

mrwind Integer array containing the row indices for the nonzero elements in each col-

umn. If the indices are input contiguously, with the columns in ascending order, the length of the mrwind is mstart[ncol-1]+mnel[ncol-1] or, if mnel is NULL,

mstart[ncol].

dmatval Double array containing the nonzero element values; length as for mrwind.

Double array of length ncol containing the lower bounds on the columns. Use

XPRS_MINUSINFINITY to represent a lower bound of minus infinity.

dub Double array of length ncol containing the upper bounds on the columns. Use

XPRS_PLUSINFINITY to represent an upper bound of plus infinity.

ngtr Number of quadratic terms.

mqc1 Integer array of size nqtr containing the column index of the first variable in each quadratic term.

Integer array of size nqtr containing the column index of the second variable in each quadratic term.

dge Double array of size ngtr containing the quadratic coefficients.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAPRESOLVE Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Example

```
Minimize -6x_1 + 2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 subject to x_1 + x_2 \le 1.9:
```

```
int nrow = 1, ncol = 2, nquad = 3;
int mstart[] = \{0, 1, 2\};
int mrwind[] = \{0, 0\};
double dmatval[] = \{1, 1\};
double rhs[] = \{1.9\};
char grtype[] = {"L"};
double lbound[] = \{0, 0\};
double ubound[] = {XPRS PLUSINFINITY, XPRS PLUSINFINITY};
double obj[] = \{-6, 0\};
int mqc1[] = \{0, 0, 1\};
int mqc2[] = \{0, 1, 1\};
double dquad[] = \{4, -2, 4\};
double *primal, *dual;
primal = malloc(ncol*sizeof(double));
dual = malloc(nrow*sizeof(double));
XPRSloadqp(prob, "example", ncol, nrow, qrtype, rhs,
           NULL, obj, mstart, NULL, mrwind, dmatval,
           lbound, ubound, nquad, mqc1, mqc2, dquad)
```

Further information

- 1. The objective function is of the form $c' \times + x' \bigcirc x$ where \bigcirc is positive semi-definite for minimization problems and negative semi-definite for maximization problems. If this is not the case the optimization algorithms may converge to a local optimum or may not converge at all. Note that only the upper or lower triangular part of the Q matrix is specified.
- 2. The row and column indices follow the usual C convention of going from 0 to nrow-1 and 0 to ncol-1 respectively.
- 3. The double constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MINUSINFINITY are defined in the Optimizer library header file.

Related topics

XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSreadprob.

XPRSIoadsecurevecs

Purpose

Allows the user to mark rows and columns in order to prevent the presolve removing these rows and columns from the matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem.

nr Number of rows to be marked.

nc Number of columns to be marked.

mrow Integer array of length nr containing the rows to be marked. May be NULL if not required.

mcol Integer array of length nc containing the columns to be marked. May be NULL if not required.

Example

This sets the first six rows and the first four columns to not be removed during presolve.

```
int mrow[] = {0,1,2,3,4,5};
int mcol[] = {0,1,2,3};
...

XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");

XPRSloadsecurevecs(prob,6,4,mrow,mcol);
XPRSminim(prob, "");
```

Related topics

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This function begins a search for the optimal LP solution by calling XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim depending on the value of OBJSENSE. The "I" flag will be passed to XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim so that the problem will be solved as an LP.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSlpoptimize(XPRSprob prob, const char *flags);
LPOPTIMIZE [-flags]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

flags

Flags to pass to XPRSlpoptimize (LPOPTIMIZE). The default is "" or NULL, in which case the algorithm used is determined by the DEFAULTALG control. If the argument includes:

- b the model will be solved using the Newton barrier method;
- p the model will be solved using the primal simplex algorithm;
- d the model will be solved using the dual simplex algorithm;
- n (lower case N), the network part of the model will be identified and solved using the network simplex algorithm;

Related topics

XPRSminim MINIM XPRSmaxim MAXIM.

Begins a search for the optimal LP solution.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSmaxim(XPRSprob prob, const char *flags);
int XPRS_CC XPRSminim(XPRSprob prob, const char *flags);
MAXIM [-flags]
MINIM [-flags]
```

Arguments

The current problem. prob

flags

Flags to pass to XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM). The default is "" or NULL, in which case the algorithm used is determined by the DEFAULTALG control. If the argument includes:

- the model will be solved using the Newton barrier method;
- the model will be solved using the primal simplex algorithm;
- the model will be solved using the dual simplex algorithm; d
- (lower case L), the model will be solved as a linear model ignoring the dis-1 creteness of global variables;
- (lower case N), the network part of the model will be identified and solved n using the network simplex algorithm;
- the global model will be solved, calling XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

Certain combinations of options may be used where this makes sense so, for example, pg will solve the LP with the primal algorithm and then go on to perform the global search.

Related controls

Integer

AUTOPERTURB	Whether automatic perturbation is performed.
BARITERLIMIT	Maximum number of Newton Barrier iterations.
BARORDER	Ordering algorithm for the Cholesky factorization.
BAROUTPUT	Newton barrier: level of solution output.
BARTHREADS	Max number of threads to run.
BIGMMETHOD	Specifies "Big M" method, or phasel/phasell.
CACHESIZE	Cache size in Kbytes for the Newton barrier.
CPUTIME	1 for CPU time; 0 for elapsed time.
CRASH	Type of crash.
CROSSOVER	Newton barrier crossover control.
DEFAULTALG	Algorithm to use with the tree search.
DENSECOLLIMIT	Columns with this many elements are considered dense.
DUALGRADIENT	Pricing method for the dual algorithm.
INVERTFREQ	Invert frequency.
INVERTMIN	Minimum number of iterations between inverts.
KEEPBASIS	Whether to use previously loaded basis.
LPITERLIMIT	Iteration limit for the simplex algorithm.
LPLOG	Frequency and type of simplex algorithm log.
MAXTIME	Maximum time allowed.
PRESOLVE	Degree of presolving to perform.
PRESOLVEOPS	Specifies the operations performed during presolve.
PRICINGALG	Type of pricing to be used.
REFACTOR	Indicates whether to re-factorize the optimal basis.

TRACE Control of the infeasibility diagnosis during presolve.

Double

BARGAPSTOP Newton barrier tolerance for dual infeasibilities.

BARGAPSTOP Newton barrier tolerance for relative duality gap.

BARPRIMALSTOP Newton barrier tolerance for primal infeasibilities.

BARSTEPSTOP Newton barrier minimal step size.

BIGM Infeasibility penalty.

CHOLESKYTOL Zero tolerance in the Cholesky decomposition.

ELIMTOL Markowitz tolerance for elimination phase of presolve.

ETATOL Zero tolerance on eta elements.

FEASTOL Zero tolerance on RHS.

MARKOWITZTOL Markowitz tolerance for the factorization.

MIPABSCUTOFF Cutoff set after an LP optimizer command. (Dual only)

OPTIMALITYTOL Reduced cost tolerance.

PENALTY Maximum absolute penalty variable coefficient.

PERTURB Perturbation value.
PIVOTTOL Pivot tolerance.

PPFACTOR Partial pricing candidate list sizing parameter.

RELPIVOTTOL Relative pivot tolerance.

Example 1 (Library)

XPRSmaxim(prob, "b");

This maximizes the current problem using the Newton barrier method.

Example 2 (Console)

MINIM -q

This minimizes the current problem and commences the global search.

Further information

- 1. The algorithm used to optimize is determined by the DEFAULTALG control. By default, the dual simplex is used for LP and MIP problems and the barrier is used for QP problems.
- 2. The ${\tt d}$ and ${\tt p}$ flags can be used with the ${\tt n}$ flag to complete the solution of the model with either the dual or primal algorithms once the network algorithm has solved the network part of the model.
- 3. The b flag cannot be used with the n flag.
- 4. The dual simplex algorithm is a two phase algorithm which can remove dual infeasibilities.
- 5. (Console) If the user prematurely terminates the solution process by typing CTRL-C, the iterative procedure will terminate at the first "safe" point.

Related topics

XPRSqlobal (GLOBAL), XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS), XPRSqoal (GOAL), 4, A.8.

This function begins a search for the optimal MIP solution by calling XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim depending on the value of OBJSENSE. The "g" flag will be passed to XPRSminim or XPRSmaxim so that the global search will be performed.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSmipoptimize(XPRSprob prob, const char *flags);
MIPOPTIMIZE [-flags]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

flags

Flags to pass to XPRSlpoptimize (LPOPTIMIZE). The default is "" or NULL, in which case the algorithm used is determined by the DEFAULTALG control. If the argument includes:

- b the model will be solved using the Newton barrier method;
- p the model will be solved using the primal simplex algorithm;
- d the model will be solved using the dual simplex algorithm;
- n (lower case N), the network part of the model will be identified and solved using the network simplex algorithm;

Related topics

XPRSminim MINIM XPRSmaxim MAXIM.

XPRSobjsa

Purpose

Returns upper and lower sensitivity ranges for specified objective function coefficients. If the objective coefficients are varied within these ranges the current basis remains optimal and the reduced costs remain valid.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSobjsa(XPRSprob prob, int nels, const int mindex[], double
    lower[], double upper[]);
```

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.
nels	Number of objective function coefficients whose sensitivity are sought.
mindex	Integer array of length $nels$ containing the indices of the columns whose objective function coefficients sensitivity ranges are required.
lower	Double array of length ${\tt nels}$ where the objective function lower range values are to be returned.
upper	Double array of length $nels$ where the objective function upper range values are to be returned.

Example

Here we obtain the objective function ranges for the three columns: 2, 6 and 8:

```
mindex[0] = 2; mindex[1] = 8; mindex[2] = 6;
XPRSobjsa(prob, 3, mindex, lower, upper);
```

After which lower and upper contain:

```
lower[0] = 5.0; upper[0] = 7.0;
lower[1] = 3.8; upper[1] = 5.2;
lower[2] = 5.7; upper[2] = 1e+20;
```

Meaning that the current basis remains optimal when 5.0 \leq C₂ \leq 7.0, 3.8 \leq C₈ \leq 5.2 and 5.7 \leq C₆, C_i being the objective coefficient of column i.

Further information

 ${\tt XPRSobjsa} \ \ {\tt can \ only \ be \ called \ when \ an \ optimal \ solution \ to \ the \ current \ LP \ has \ been \ found. \ It \ cannot \ be \ used \ when \ the \ problem \ is \ MIP \ presolved.$

Related topics

XPRSrhssa.

XPRSpivot

Purpose

Performs a simplex pivot by bringing variable in into the basis and removing out.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSpivot(XPRSprob prob, int in, int out);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.
in Index of row or column to enter basis.
out. Index of row or column to leave basis.

Error values

in is invalid (out of range or already basic).

out is invalid (out of range or not eligible, e.g. nonbasic, zero pivot, etc.).

Related controls

Double

PIVOTTOL Pivot tolerance.

RELPIVOTTOL Relative pivot tolerance.

Example

The following brings the 7th variable into the basis and removes the 5th:

```
XPRSpivot (prob, 6, 4)
```

Further information

Row indices are in the range 0 to ROWS-1, whilst columns are in the range ROWS+SPAREROWS to ROWS+SPAREROWS+COLS-1.

Related topics

XPRSgetpivotorder, XPRSgetpivots.

XPRSpostsolve POSTSOLVE

Purpose

Postsolve the current matrix when it is in a presolved state.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSpostsolve(XPRSprob prob);
POSTSOLVE
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Further information

A problem is left in a presolved state whenever a LP or MIP optimization does not complete. In these cases <code>XPRSpostsolve</code> (POSTSOLVE) can be called to get the problem back into its original state.

Related topics

XPRSminim, XPRSmaxim

XPRSpresolverow

Purpose

Presolves a row formulated in terms of the original variables such that it can be added to a presolved matrix.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSpresolverow(XPRSprob prob, char qrtype, int nzo, const
  int mcolso[], const double dvalo[], double drhso, int maxcoeffs,
  int * nzp, int mcolsp[], double dvalp[], double * drhsp, int *
  status);
```

Arguments

nts		
prob	The current problem.	
qrtype	The type of the row:	
	L indicates a ≤ row;	
	G indicates a \geq row.	
nzo	Number of elements in the mcolso and dvalo arrays.	
mcolso	Integer array of length \mathtt{nzo} containing the column indices of the row to presolve.	
dvalo	Double array of length \mathtt{nzo} containing the non-zero coefficients of the row to presolve.	
drhso	The right-hand side constant of the row to presolve.	
maxcoeff	s Maximum number of elements to return in the mcolsp and dvalp arrays.	
nzp	Pointer to the integer where the number of elements in the mcolsp and dvalp arrays will be returned.	
mcolsp	Integer array which will be filled with the column indices of the presolved row. It must be allocated to hold at least COLS elements.	
dvalp	Double array which will be filled with the coefficients of the presolved row. It must be allocated to hold at least COLS elements.	
drhsp	Pointer to the double where the presolved right-hand side will be returned.	
status	Status of the presolved row:	
	Failed to presolve the row due to presolve dual reductions;	
	-2 Failed to presolve the row due to presolve duplicate column reductions;	
	-1 Failed to presolve the row due to an error. Check the optimizer error code	
	for the cause;	
	The row was successfully presolved;	

Related controls

Integer

1

PRESOLVE Turns presolve on or off.

PRESOLVEOPS Selects the presolve operations.

Example

Suppose we want to add the row $2x_1+x_2\leq 1$ to our presolved matrix. This could be done in the following way:

The row was presolved, but may be relaxed.

```
int mindo[] = { 1, 2 };
int dvalo[] = { 2.0, 1.0 };
char qrtype = "L";
double drhso = 1.0;
int nzp, status, mtype, mstart[2], *mindp;
double drhsp, *dvalp;
...
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &ncols);
mindp = (int*) malloc(ncols*sizeof(int));
```

Further information

There are certain presolve operations that can prevent a row from being presolved exactly. If the row contains a coefficient for a column that was eliminated due to duplicate column reductions or singleton column reductions, the row might have to be relaxed to remain valid for the presolved problem. The relaxation will be done automatically by the XPRSpresolverow function, but a return status of +1 will be returned. If it is not possible to relax the row, a status of -2 will be returned instead. Likewise, it is possible that certain dual reductions prevents the row from being presolved. In such a case a status of -3 will be returned instead.

If XPRSpresolverow will be used for presolving e.g. branching bounds or constraints, then dual reductions and duplicate column reductions should be disabled, by clearing the corresponding bits of PRESOLVEOPS. By clearing these bits, the default value for PRESOLVEOPS changes to 471.

If the user knows in advance which columns will have non-zero coefficients in rows that will be presolved, it is possible to protect these individual columns through the XPRSloadsecurevecs function. This way the optimizer is left free to apply all possible reductions to the remaining columns.

Related topics

XPRSaddcuts, XPRSloadsecurevecs, XPRSsetbranchcuts, XPRSstorecuts.

Writes the ranging information to the screen. The binary range file (.rng) must already exist, created by XPRSrange (RANGE).

Synopsis

PRINTRANGE

Related controls

Integer

MAXPAGELINES Number of lines between page breaks.

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

Further information

See WRITEPRTRANGE for more information.

Related topics

XPRSgetcolrange, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSrange (RANGE), XPRSwriteprtsol, XPRSwriterange, A.6.

Writes the current solution to the screen.

Synopsis

PRINTSOL

Related controls

Integer

MAXPAGELINES Number of lines between page breaks.

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

Further information

See WRITEPRTSOL for more information.

Related topics

XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSwriteprtsol.

Terminates the Console Optimizer, returning a zero exit code to the operating system. Alias for EXIT.

Synopsis

QUIT

Example

The command is called simply as:

QUIT

Further information

- 1. Fatal error conditions return nonzero exit values which may be of use to the host operating system. These are described in 9.
- 2. If you wish to return an exit code reflecting the final solution status, then use the STOP command instead.

Related topics

STOP, XPRSsave (SAVE).

XPRSrange RANGE

Purpose

Calculates the ranging information for a problem and saves it to the binary ranging file *problem_name.*rng.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSrange(XPRSprob prob);
RANGE
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example 1 (Library)

This example computes the ranging information following optimization and outputs the solution to a file leonor.rrt:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "leonor", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSrange(prob);
XPRSwriteprtrange(prob);
```

Example 2 (Console)

The following example is equivalent for the console, except the output is sent to the screen instead of a file:

```
READPROB leonor
MAXIM
RANGE
PRINTRANGE
```

Further information

- 1. A basic optimal solution to the problem must be available, i.e. XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) must have been called (with crossover used if the Newton Barrier algorithm is being used) and an optimal solution found.
- 2. The information calculated by XPRSrange (RANGE) enables the user to do sophisticated postoptimal analysis of the problem. In particular, the user may find the ranges over which the right hand sides can vary without the optimal basis changing, the ranges over which the shadow prices hold, and the activities which limit these changes. See functions XPRSgetcolrange, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE) and/or XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE) to obtain the values calculated
- 3. It is not impossible to range on a MIP problem. The global entities should be fixed using XPRSfixglobal (FIXGLOBAL) first and the remaining LP resolved see XPRSfixglobal (FIXGLOBAL).

```
XPRSgetcolrange, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE), XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE).
```

XPRS readbasis READBASIS

Purpose

Instructs the Optimizer to read in a previously saved basis from a file.

Synopsis

Arguments

Example 1 (Library)

If an advanced basis is available for the current problem the Optimizer input might be:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "filename", "");
XPRSreadbasis(prob, "", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

This reads in a matrix file, inputs an advanced starting basis and maximizes the MIP.

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands for the Console user may look like:

```
READPROB
READBASIS
MAXIM -q
```

Further information

- 1. The only check done when reading compact basis is that the number of rows and columns in the basis agrees with the current number of rows and columns.
- 2. XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS) will read the basis for the original problem even if the matrix has been presolved. The Optimizer will read the basis, checking that it is valid, and will display error messages if it detects inconsistencies.

```
XPRSloadbasis, XPRSwritebasis (WRITEBASIS).
```

XPRSreadbinsol READBINSOL

Purpose

Reads a solution from a binary solution file.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name from which the solution is to be read. If omitted, the default problem_name is used with a .sol extension.

flags Flags to pass to XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL):

m load the solution as a solution for the MIP.
```

Example 1 (Library)

A previously saved solution can be loaded into memory and a print file created from it with the following commands:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSreadbinsol(prob, "", "");
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob, "", "");
```

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands to the above for console users would be:

```
READPROB
READBINSOL
WRITEPRTSOL
```

```
XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSwritebinsol (WRITEBINSOL), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL), XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL).
```

XPRSreaddirs READDIRS

Purpose

Reads a directives file to help direct the global search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSreaddirs(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename);
READDIRS [filename]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name from which the directives

are to be read. If omitted (or ${\tt NULL}$), the default $\textit{problem_name}$ is used with a .dir

extension.

Related controls

Double

PSEUDOCOST

Default pseudo cost in node degradation estimation.

Example 1 (Library)

The following example reads in directives from the file sue.dir for use with the problem, steve:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "steve", "");
XPRSreaddirs(prob, "sue");
XPRSminim(prob, "q");
```

Example 2 (Console)

READPROB READDIRS MINIM -g

This is the most usual form at the console. It will attempt to read in a directives file with the current problem name and an extension of .dir.

Further information

- 1. Directives cannot be read in after a model has been presolved, so unless presolve has been disabled by setting PRESOLVE to 0, this command must be issued before XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM).
- 2. Directives can be given relating to priorities, forced branching directions, pseudo costs and model cuts. There is a priority value associated with each global entity. The *lower* the number, the *more* likely the entity is to be selected for branching; the *higher*, the *less* likely. By default, all global entities have a priority value of 500 which can be altered with a priority entry in the directives file. In general, it is advantageous for the entity's priority to reflect its relative importance in the model. Priority entries with values in excess of 1000 are illegal and are ignored. A full description of the directives file format may be found in A.6.
- 3. By default, XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) will explore the branch expected to yield the best integer solution from each node, irrespective of whether this forces the global entity up or down. This can be overridden with an UP or DN entry in the directives file, which forces XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) to branch up first or down first on the specified entity.
- 4. Pseudo-costs are estimates of the unit cost of forcing an entity up or down. By default XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) uses dual information to calculate estimates of the unit up and down costs and these are added to the default pseudo costs which are set to the PSEUDOCOST control. The default pseudo costs can be overridden by a PU or PD entry in the directives file.
- 5. If model cuts are used, then the specified constraints are removed from the matrix and added to the Optimizer cut pool, and only put back in the matrix when they are violated by an LP solution at one of the nodes in the global search.
- 6. If creating a directives file by hand, wild cards can be used to specify several vectors at once, for example PR x1* 2 will give all global entities whose names start with x1 a priority of 2.

Related topics

XPRSloaddirs, A.6.

XPRSreadprob READPROB

Purpose

Reads an (X)MPS or LP format matrix from file.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSreadprob(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, const char
     *flags);
READPROB [-flags] [probname]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

probname The file name, a string of up to 200 characters from which the problem is to be

read. If omitted (console users only), the default problem_name is used with various

extensions - see below.

flags Flags to be passed:

only probname.lp is searched for;

z read input file in gzip format from a .gz file [Console only]

Related controls

Integer

EXTRACOLS Number of extra columns to be allowed for.

EXTRAPLEMS

Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

Number of extra global entities to be allowed for.

Number of extra elements to allow for in presolve.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

KEEPNROWS Status for nonbinding rows.

MPSECHO Whether MPS comments are to be echoed.

MPSFORMAT Specifies format of MPS files.

MPSNAMELENGTH Maximum name length in characters.

SCALING Type of scaling.

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

SOSREFTOL Minimum gap between reference row entries.

String

MPSBOUNDNAME The active bound name.

MPSOBJNAME Name of objective function row.

MPSRANGENAME Name of range.

MP SRHSNAME Name of right hand side.

Example 1 (Library)

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
```

This instructs the Optimizer to read an MPS format matrix from the first file found out of myprob.mat, myprob.mps or (in LP format) myprob.lp.

Example 2 (Console)

```
READPROB -1
```

This instructs the Optimizer to read an LP format matrix from the file problem_name .lp.

Further information

- 1. If no flags are given, file types are searched for in the order: .mat, .mps, .lp. Matrix files are assumed to be in XMPS or MPS format unless their file extension is .lp in which case they must be LP files.
- 2. If probname has been specified, the problem name is changed to probname, ignoring any extension.
- 3. XPRSreadprob (READPROB) will take as the objective function the first N type row in the matrix, unless the string parameter MPSOBJNAME has been set, in which case the objective row sought will be the one named by MPSOBJNAME. Similarly, if non-blank, the string parameters MPSRHSNAME, MPSBOUNDNAME and MPSRANGENAME specify the right hand side, bound and range sets to be taken. For example:

```
MPSOBJNAME="Cost"
MPSRHSNAME="RHS 1"
READPROB
```

The treatment of N type rows other than the objective function depends on the KEEPNROWS control. If KEEPNROWS is 1 the rows and their elements are kept in memory; if it is 0 the rows are retained, but their elements are removed; and if it is -1 the rows are deleted entirely. The performance impact of retaining such N type rows will be small unless the presolve has been disabled by setting PRESOLVE to 0 prior to optimization.

- 4. The Optimizer checks that the matrix file is in a legal format and displays error messages if it detects errors. When the Optimizer has read and verified the problem, it will display summary problem statistics.
- 5. By default, the MPSFORMAT control is set to -1 and XPRSreadprob (READPROB) determines automatically whether the MPS files are in free or fixed format. If MPSFORMAT is set to 0, fixed format is assumed and if it is set to 1, free format is assumed. Fields in free format MPS files are delimited by one or more blank characters. The keywords NAME, ROWS, COLUMNS, QUADOBJ / QMATRIX, QCMATRIX, DELAYEDROWS, MODELCUTS, SETS, RHS, RANGES, BOUNDS and ENDATAmust start in column one and no vector name may contain blanks. If a special ordered set is specified with a reference row, its name may not be the same as that of a column. Note that numeric values which contain embedded spaces (for example after unary minus sign) will not be read correctly unless MPSFORMAT is set to 0.
- 6. If the problem is not to be scaled automatically, set the parameter SCALING to 0 before issuing the XPRSreadprob (READPROB) command.
- 7. Long MPS vector names are supported in MPS files, LP files, directives files and basis files. The MPSNAMELENGTH control specifies the maximum number of characters in MPS vector names and must be set before the file is read in. Internally it is rounded up to the smallest multiple of 8, and must not exceed 64.

Related topics

XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal, XPRSloadqp.

XPRSreadslxsol READSLXSOL

Purpose

Reads an ASCII solution file (.slx) created by the XPRSwriteslxsol function.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the solution is to be read. If omitted, the default problem_name is used with a .slx extension.

flags Flags to pass to XPRSwriteslxsol (WRITESLXSOL):

1 read the solution as an LP solution in case of a MIP problem;

m read the solution as a solution for the MIP problem;

Example 1 (Library)

```
XPRSreadslxsol(prob, "lpsolution", "");
```

This loads the solution to the MIP problem if the problem contains global entities, or otherwise loads it as an LP (barrier in case of quadratic problems) solution into the problem.

Example 2 (Console)

READSLXSOL lpsolution

Related topics

XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL), XPRSwriteslxsol (WRITESLXSOL, XPRSwritebinsol WRITEBINSOL, XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL).

Provides a simplified interface for XPRSrepairweightedinfeas.

Synopsis

Arguments

e	nts	
	prob	The current problem.
	scode	The status after the relaxation:
		o relaxed optimum found;
		1 relaxed problem is infeasible;
		2 relaxed problem is unbounded;
		solution of the relaxed problem regarding the original objective is nonopti-
		mal;
		4 error (when return code is nonzero);
		5 numerical instability.
	pflags	The type of penalties created from the preferences:
		c each penalty is the reciprocal of the preference (default);
		s the penalties are placed in the scaled problem.
	oflags	Controls the second phase of optimization:
		 use the objective sense of the original problem (default);
		x maximize the relaxed problem using the original objective;
		skip optimization regarding the original objective;
		n minimize the relaxed problem using the original objective.
	gflags	Specifies if the global search should be done:
		g do the global search (default);
		solve as a linear model ignoring the discreteness of variables.
	lrp	Preference for relaxing the less or equal side of row. For console use -lrp value.
	grp	Preference for relaxing the greater or equal side of a row. For console use <code>-grp</code>
		value.
	lbp	Preferences for relaxing lower bounds. For console use <code>-lbp</code> value.
	ubp	Preferences for relaxing upper bounds. For console use -ubp value.
	delta	The relaxation multiplier in the second phase -1. For console use -d value.

Related controls

Integer

DEFAULTALG Forced algorithm selection (default for repairinfeas is primal).

Example

```
READPROB MYPROB.LP
INFEASREPAIR -a -d 0.002
```

Further information

- 1. The console command REPAIRINFEAS assumes that all preferences are 1 by default. Use the options -lrp, -grp, -lbp or -ubp to change them.
- 2. A row or bound is relaxed by introducing a new nonnegative variable that will contain the infeasibility of the row or bound. Suppose for example that row $a^Tx = b$ is relaxed from below. Then a new variable (infeasibility breaker) s>=0 is added to the row, which becomes $a^Tx + b = b$. Observe that a^Tx may now take smaller values than b. To minimize such violations, the weighted sum of these new variables is minimized.
- 3. A preference of 0 results in the row or bound not being relaxed.
- 4. Note that the set of preferences are scaling independent.
- 5. The weight of each infeasibility breaker in the objective minimizing the violations is 1/p, where p is the preference associated with the infeasibility breaker. Thus the higher the preference is, the lower a penalty is associated with the infeasibility breaker while minimizing the violations.
- 6. If a feasible solution is identified for the relaxed problem, with a sum of violations p, then the sum of violations is restricted to be no greater than (1+delta)p, and the problem is optimized with respect to the original objective function. A nonzero delta increases the freedom of the original problem.
- 7. Note that on some problems, slight modifications of delta may affect the value of the original objective drastically.
- 8. The default value for delta in the console is 0.001.
- 9. Note that because of their special associated modeling properties, binary and semi-continuous variables are not relaxed.
- 10. The default algorithm for the first phase is the simplex algorithm, since the primal problem can be efficiently warm started in case of the extended problem. These may be altered by setting the value of control DEFAULTALG.
- 11. If pflags is set such that each penalty is the reciprocal of the preference, the following rules are applied while introducing the auxiliary variables:

Preference	Affects	Rule
lrp>0	= rows	$a^T x - 1/lrp*aux_var = b$
lrp>0	<= rows	a ^T x - 1/lrp*aux_var <= b
grp>0	= rows	a ^T x + 1/grp*aux_var = b
grp>0	>= rows	a ^T x + 1/grp*aux_var >= b
ubp>0	upper bounds	x_i - 1/ubp*aux_var <= u
lbp>0	lower bounds	$x_i + 1/lbp*aux_var >= 1$

Related topics

 ${\tt XPRS repair weighted infeas, {\tt 3.2.3.}}$

XPRSrepairweightedinfeas

Purpose

By relaxing a set of selected constraints and bounds of an infeasible problem, it attempts to identify a 'solution' that violates the selected set of constraints and bounds minimally, while satisfying all other constraints and bounds. Among such solution candidates, it selects one that is optimal regarding to the original objective function. For the console version, see REPAIRINEEAS.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSrepairweightedinfeas(XPRSprob prob, int * scode, const
    double lrp_array[], const double grp_array[], const double lbp_-
    array[], const double ubp_array[], char phase2, double delta,
    const char *optflags);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

scode The status after the relaxation:

- o relaxed optimum found;
- 1 relaxed problem is infeasible;
- 2 relaxed problem is unbounded;
- solution of the relaxed problem regarding the original objective is nonoptimal;
- 4 error (when return code is nonzero);
- 5 numerical instability.

grp_array Array of size ROWS containing the preferences for relaxing the greater or equal side of a row.

lbp_array Array of size COLS containing the preferences for relaxing lower bounds.

ubp_array Array of size COLS containing preferences for relaxing upper bounds.

phase2 Controls the second phase of optimization:

- d use the objective sense of the original problem;
- x maximize the relaxed problem using the original objective;
- f skip optimization regarding the original objective;
- n minimize the relaxed problem using the original objective.

delta The relaxation multiplier in the second phase -1.

optflags Specifies flags to be passed to the optimizer.

Related controls

Double

PENALTYVALUE

The weighted sum of violations if a solution is identified to the relaxed problem.

Further information

- 1. A row or bound is relaxed by introducing a new nonnegative variable that will contain the infeasibility of the row or bound. Suppose for example that row $a^Tx = b$ is relaxed from below. Then a new variable ('infeasibility breaker') s>=0 is added to the row, which becomes $a^Tx + b = b$. Observe that a^Tx may now take smaller values than b. To minimize such violations, the weighted sum of these new variables is minimized.
- 2. A preference of 0 results in the row or bound not being relaxed. The higher the preference, the more willing the modeller is to relax a given row or bound.
- 3. The weight of each infeasibility breaker in the objective minimizing the violations is 1/p, where p is the preference associated with the infeasibility breaker. Thus the higher the preference is, the lower a penalty is associated with the infeasibility breaker while minimizing the violations.
- 4. If a feasible solution is identified for the relaxed problem, with a sum of violations p, then the sum of violations is restricted to be no greater than (1+delta)p, and the problem is optimized with respect to the original objective function. A nonzero delta increases the freedom of the original problem.
- 5. Note that on some problems, slight modifications of delta may affect the value of the original objective drastically.
- 6. The default value for delta in the console is 0.001.
- 7. Note that because of their special associated modeling properties, binary and semi-continuous variables are not relaxed.
- 8. Given any row j with preferences <code>lrp=lrp_array[j]</code> and <code>grp=grp_array[j]</code>, or variable i with bound preferences <code>ubp=ubp_array[i]</code> and <code>lbp=lbp_array[i]</code>, the following rules are applied while introducing the auxiliary variables:

Preference	Affects	Rule
lrp>0	= rows	$a^Tx - 1/lrp*aux_var = b$
lrp>0	<= rows	a ^T x - 1/lrp*aux_var <= b
grp>0	= rows	$a^Tx + 1/grp*aux_var = b$
grp>0	>= rows	a ^T x + 1/grp*aux_var >= b
ubp>0	upper bounds	x_i - 1/ubp*aux_var <= u
lbp>0	lower bounds	$x_i + 1/lbp*aux_var >= l$

Related topics

XPRSrepairinfeas (REPAIRINFEAS), 3.2.3.

XPRSresetnlp

Purpose

Removes all the NLP callbacks and frees the maximal Hessian structure stored.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSresetnlp(XPRSprob prob);

Argument

prob The current problem.

Related topics

XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, 2.6.

XPRSrestore RESTORE

Purpose

Restores the Optimizer's data structures from a file created by XPRSsave (SAVE). Optimization may then recommence from the point at which the file was created.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSrestore(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname, const char
    *flags);
RESTORE [probname] [flags]
```

Arguments

```
prob The current problem.

probname A string of up to 200 characters containing the problem name.

flags f Force the restoring of a save file even if its from a different version.
```

Example 1 (Library)

```
XPRSrestore(prob, "", "")
```

Example 2 (Console)

RESTORE

Further information

- 1. This routine restores the data structures from the file <code>problem_name.svf</code> that was created by a previous execution of <code>XPRSsave</code> (SAVE). The file <code>problem_name.sol</code> is also required and, if recommencing optimization in a global search, the files <code>problem_name.glb</code> and <code>problem_name.glb</code> and <code>problem_name.ctp</code> are required too. Note that <code>.svf</code> files are particular to the release of the Optimizer used to create them. They can only be read using the same release Optimizer as used to create them.
- 2. (Console) The main use for XPRSsave (SAVE) and XPRSrestore (RESTORE) is to enable the user to interrupt a long optimization run using CTRL-C, and save the Optimizer status with the ability to restart it later from where it left off. It might also be used to save the optimal status of a problem when the user then intends to implement several uses of XPRSalter (ALTER) on the problem, re-optimizing each time from the saved status.
- 3. The use of the 'f' flag is not recommended and can cause unexpected results.

```
XPRSalter (ALTER), XPRSsave (SAVE).
```

XPRSrhssa

Purpose

Returns upper and lower sensitivity ranges for specified right hand side (RHS) function coefficients. If the RHS coefficients are varied within these ranges the current basis remains optimal and the reduced costs remain valid.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSrhssa(XPRSprob prob, int nels, const int mindex[], double
    lower[], double upper[]);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
nels	Integer and number of RHS coefficients whose sensitivity ranges are sought.
mindex	Integer array of length $nels$ containing the indices of the rows whose RHS coefficients sensitivity ranges are required.
lower	Double array of length $nels$ where the RHS lower range values are to be returned.
upper	Double array of length nels where the RHS upper range values are to be returned.

Example

Here we obtain the RHS function ranges for the three columns: 2, 6 and 8:

```
mindex[0] = 2; mindex[1] = 8; mindex[2] = 6;
XPRSrhssa(prob, 3, mindex, lower, upper);
```

After which lower and upper contain:

```
lower[0] = 5.0; upper[0] = 7.0;
lower[1] = 3.8; upper[1] = 5.2;
lower[2] = 5.7; upper[2] = 1e+20;
```

Meaning that the current basis remains optimal when $5.0 \le \text{rhs}_2$, $3.8 \le \text{rhs}_8 \le 5.2$ and $5.7 \le \text{rhs}_6$, rhs_i being the RHS coefficient of row i.

Further information

XPRSrhssa can only be called when an optimal solution to the current LP has been found. It cannot be used when the problem is MIP presolved.

Related topics

XPRSobjsa.

XPRSsave SAVE

Purpose

Saves the current data structures, i.e. matrices, control settings and problem attribute settings to file and terminates the run so that optimization can be resumed later.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsave(XPRSprob prob);
SAVE
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example 1 (Library)

XPRSsave (prob);

Example 2 (Console)

SAVE

Further information

The data structures are written to the file <code>problem_name.svf</code>. Optimization may recommence from the same point when the data structures are restored by a call to <code>XPRSrestore</code> (RESTORE). Under such circumstances, the file <code>problem_name.sol</code> and, if a branch and bound search is in progress, the global files <code>problem_name.glb</code> and <code>problem_name.ctp</code> are also required. These files will be present after execution of <code>XPRSsave</code> (SAVE), but will be modified by subsequent optimization, so no optimization calls may be made after the call to <code>XPRSsave</code> (SAVE). Note that the <code>.svf</code> files created are particular to the release of the Optimizer used to create them. They can only be read using the same release Optimizer as used to create them.

Related topics

XPRSrestore (RESTORE).

XPRSscale SCALE

Purpose

Re-scales the current matrix.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

mrscal Integer array of size ROWS containing the powers of 2 with which to scale the rows,

or NULL if not required.

mcscal Integer array of size COLS containing the powers of 2 with which to scale the

columns, or NULL if not required.

Related controls

Integer

SCALING Type of scaling.

Example 1 (Library)

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "jovial", "");
XPRSalter(prob, "serious");
XPRSscale(prob, NULL, NULL);
XPRSminim(prob, "");
```

This reads the MPS file <code>jovial.mat</code>, modifies it according to instructions in the file <code>serious.alt</code>, rescales the matrix and seeks the minimum objective value.

Example 2 (Console)

The equivalent set of commands for the Console user would be:

```
READPROB jovial
ALTER serious
SCALE
MINIM
```

Further information

- 1. If mrscal and mcscal are both non-NULL then they will be used to scale the matrix. Otherwise the matrix will be scaled according to the control SCALING. This routine may be useful when the current matrix has been modified by calls to routines such as XPRSalter (ALTER), XPRSchgmcoef and XPRSaddrows.
- 2. XPRSscale (SCALE) cannot be called if the current matrix is presolved.

Related topics

```
XPRSalter (ALTER), XPRSreadprob (READPROB).
```

XPRSsetbranchbounds

Purpose

Specifies the bounds previously stored using XPRSstorebounds that are to be applied in order to branch on a user global entity. This routine can only be called from the user separate callback function, XPRSsetcbsepnode.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetbranchbounds(XPRSprob prob, void *mindex);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

mindex Pointer previously defined in a call to XPRSstorebounds that references the stored bounds to be used to separate the node.

Example

This example defines a user separate callback function for the global search:

```
XPRSsetcbsepnode(prob, nodeSep, void);
```

where the function nodeSep is defined as follows:

Related topics

XPRSloadcuts, XPRSsetcbestimate, XPRSsetcbsepnode, XPRSstorebounds, 5.4.

XPRSsetbranchcuts

Purpose

Specifies the pointers to cuts in the cut pool that are to be applied in order to branch on a user global entity. This routine can only be called from the user separate callback function, XPRSsetcbsepnode.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSsetbranchcuts(XPRSprob prob, int ncuts, const XPRScut
 mindex[]);

Arguments

probncutsNumber of cuts to apply.

mindex Array containing the pointers to the cuts in the cut pool that are to be applied.

Typically obtained from XPRSstorecuts.

Related topics

XPRSgetcpcutlist, XPRSsetcbestimate, XPRSsetcbsepnode, XPRSstorecuts, 5.4.

XPRSsetcbbarlog

Purpose

Declares a barrier log callback function, called at each iteration during the interior point algorithm.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbbarlog (XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fubl) (XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

The current problem.

The callback function itself. This takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and has an integer return value. If the value returned by fubl is nonzero, the solution process will be interrupted. This function is called at every barrier iteration.

my_prob

The problem passed to the callback function, fubl.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbbarlog.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fubl.

Example

This simple example prints a line to the screen for each iteration of the algorithm.

```
XPRSsetcbbarlog(prob, barLog, NULL);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "b");
```

The callback function might resemble:

```
int XPRS_CC barLog(XPRSprob prob, void *object)
{
   printf("Next barrier iteration\n");
}
```

Further information

If the callback function returns a nonzero value, the Optimizer run will be interrupted.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbbarlog, XPRSsetcbgloballog, XPRSsetcblplog, XPRSsetcbmessage.

XPRSsetcbchgbranch

Purpose

Declares a branching variable callback function, called every time a new branching variable is set or selected during the MIP search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbchgbranch(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    *fucb)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int *entity, int *up,
    double *estdeg), void *object);
```

Arguments

The current problem. prob The callback function, which takes five arguments, my_prob, my_object, entity, fucb up and estdeg, and has no return value. This function is called every time a new branching variable or set is selected. The problem passed to the callback function, fucb. my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbchqbranch. A pointer to the variable or set on which to branch. Ordinary global variables are entity identified by their column index, i.e. 0, 1,...(COLS-1) and by their set index, i.e. 0, 1,...,(SETS- 1). If entity is a variable, this is 1 if the upward branch is to be made first, or 0 up otherwise. If entity is a set, this is 3 if the upward branch is to be made first, or 2 otherwise. estdea The estimated degradation at the node.

Example

object

The following example demonstrates use of the branching rule to branch on the most violated integer of binary during the global search:

A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fucb.

```
typedef struct {
  double* soln;
  char* type;
  double tol;
  int cols;
} solutionData;
solutionData nodeData;
. . .
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_MIPLOG, 3);
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_CUTSTRATEGY, 0);
/* setup data */
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_COLS, &(nodeData.cols));
XPRSgetdblcontrol(prob, XPRS_MATRIXTOL, &(nodeData.tol));
nodeData.soln =
  (double*) malloc(sizeof(double)*nodeData.cols);
nodeData.type =
  (char*) malloc(sizeof(char)*nodeData.cols);
XPRSgetcoltype(prob, nodeData.type, 0, nodeData.cols-1);
XPRSsetcbchgbranch(prob, varSelection, &nodeData);
XPRSglobal(prob);
```

The callback function might resemble:

```
void XPRS_CC varSelection(XPRSprob prob, void* vdata,
  int *iColumn, int *iUp, double *dEstimate)
  double dDist, dUpDist, dDownDist, dGreatestDist=0;
  int iCol;
  solutionData *nodeData = (solutionData*) vdata;
 XPRSgetpresolvesol(prob, (*nodeData).soln, NULL, NULL,
                     NULL);
  for(iCol=0;iCol<(*nodeData).cols;iCol++)</pre>
  if((*nodeData).type[iCol]=='I' ||
     (*nodeData).type[iCol] == 'B')
    dUpDist=ceil((*nodeData).soln[iCol]) -
              (*nodeData).soln[iCol];
    dDownDist = (*nodeData).soln[iCol] -
                  floor((*nodeData).soln[iCol]);
    dDist = (dUpDist>dDownDist)?dUpDist:dDownDist;
    if(dDownDist > (*nodeData).tol &&
       dUpDist > (*nodeData).tol)
      if( dDist > dGreatestDist )
        *iColumn = iCol;
        dGreatestDist = dDist;
  }
```

Further information

The arguments initially contain the default values of the branching variable, branching direction and estimated degradation. If they are changed then the Optimizer will use the new values, if they are not changed then the default values will be used.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcbchgnode

Purpose

Declares a node selection callback function. This is called every time the code backtracks to select a new node during the MIP search.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fusn The callback function which takes three arguments, my_prob, my_object and nodnum, and has no return value. This function is called every time a new node is selected.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fusn.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbchgnode.

nodnum A pointer to the number of the node, nodnum, selected by the Optimizer. By changing the value pointed to by this argument, the selected node may be changed with this function.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fusn.

Related controls

Integer

NODESELECTION Node selection control.

Example

The following prints out the node number every time a new node is selected during the global search:

```
XPRSminim(prob,"");
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_MIPLOG, 3);
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_NODESELECTION, 2);
XPRSsetcbchgnode(prob, nodeSelection, NULL);
XPRSglobal(prob);
```

The callback function may resemble:

See the example depthfirst.c on the Xpress-MP CD-ROM.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcbcutlog

Purpose

Declares a cut log callback function, called each time the cut log is printed.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbcutlog(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fucl)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fucl The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and

has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fucl.

 $\verb|my_object| \begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with} \\ \end{tabular}$

XPRSsetcbcutlog.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fucl.

Related topics

 ${\tt XPRSgetcbcutlog, XPRSsetcbcutmgr, XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr, XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr.}$

XPRSsetcbcutmgr

Purpose

Declares a user-defined cut manager routine, called at each node of the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbcutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fcme)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem

The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and

has an integer return value. This function is called at each node in the Branch and

Bound search.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fcme.

 $\verb|my_object| \ensuremath{\textbf{The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with} \\$

XPRSsetcbcutmgr.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fcme.

Related controls

Integer

EXTRAELEMS Number of extra matrix elements to be allowed for.

EXTRAROWS Number of extra rows to be allowed for.

Further information

- 1. For maximum efficiency, the space-allocating controls EXTRAROWS, EXTRAELEMS should be specified by the user if their values are known. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user requires.
- 2. The cut manager routine will be called repeatedly at each node until it returns a value of 0. The sub-problem is automatically optimized if any cuts are added or deleted.
- 3. The Xpress-Optimizer ensures that cuts added to a node are automatically restored at descendant nodes. To do this, all cuts are stored in a cut pool and the Optimizer keeps track of which cuts from the cut pool must be restored at each node.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbcutmgr, XPRSsetcbcutlog, XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr, XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr.

XPRSsetcbdestroymt

Purpose

Declares a destroy MIP thread callback function, called every time a MIP thread is destroyed by the parallel MIP code.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbdestroymt(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    *fmt)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current thread problem.

fmt The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and

has no return value.

my prob The thread problem passed to the callback function.

my_object The user-defined object passed to the callback function.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function.

Related controls

Integer

MIPTHREADS Number of MIP threads to create.

Further information

This callback is useful for freeing up any user data created in the MIP thread callback.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbdestroymt,XPRSsetcbmipthread.

XPRSsetcbestimate

Purpose

Declares an estimate callback function. If defined, it will be called at each node of the branch and bound tree to determine the estimated degradation from branching the user's global entities.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbestimate(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fbe)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, int *iglsel, int *iprio, double
    *degbest, double *degworst, double *curval, int *ifupx, int
    *nglinf, double *degsum, int *nbr), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob	The current problem.
fbe	The callback function which takes eleven arguments, my_prob, my_object, iglsel,
	iprio, degbest, degworst, curval, ifupx, nglinf, degsum and nbr, and has an
	integer return value. This function is called at each node of the Branch and Bound
	search.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fbe.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbestimate.

Selected user global entity. Must be non-negative or -1 to indicate that there is no user global entity candidate for branching. If set to -1, all other arguments, except for nglinf and degsum are ignored. This argument is initialized to -1.

iprio Priority of selected user global entity. This argument is initialized to a value larger (i.e., lower priority) than the default priority for global entities (see 4.4.3 in 4.4).

curval Current value of user global entities.

ifupx Preferred branch on user global entity (0,...,nbr-1).

nglinf Number of infeasible user global entities.

degsum Sum of estimated degradations of satisfying all user entities.

nbr Number of branches. The user separate routine (set up with XPRSsetcbsepnode)

will be called nbr times in order to create the actual branches.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fbe.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbestimate, XPRSsetbranchcuts, XPRSsetcbsepnode, XPRSstorecuts.

XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr

Purpose

Declares a user termination routine to be called at the end of the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
    *fcms)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fcms The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and

has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fcms.

 $\verb|my_object| \begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with} \\ \end{tabular}$

XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fcms.

Related topics

 ${\tt XPRSgetcbfreecutmgr, XPRSsetcbcutlog, XPRSsetcbcutmgr, XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr.}$

XPRSsetcbgloballog

Purpose

Declares a global log callback function, called each time the global log is printed.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbgloballog(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
    *fugl)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and has an integer return value. This function is called whenever the global log is printed as determined by the MIPLOG control.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fugl.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbgloballog.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fugl.

Related controls

Integer

MIPLOG

Global print flag.

Example

The following example prints at each node of the global search the node number and its depth:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_MIPLOG, 3);
XPRSsetcbgloballog(prob, globalLog, NULL);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

The callback function may resemble:

See the example depthfirst.c on the Xpress-MP CD-ROM.

Further information

If the callback function returns a nonzero value, the global search will be interrupted.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbgloballog, XPRSsetcbbarlog, XPRSsetcblplog, XPRSsetcbmessage.

XPRSsetcbinfnode

Purpose

Declares a user infeasible node callback function, called after the current node has been found to be infeasible during the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbinfnode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC *fuin)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem

fuin The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and has no return value. This function is called after the current node has been found to be infeasible.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fuin.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbinfnode.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fuin.

Related controls

Integer

NODESELECTION Node selection control.

Example

The following notifies the user whenever an infeasible node is found during the global search:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_NODESELECTION, 2);
XPRSsetcbinfnode(prob, nodeInfeasible, NULL);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

The callback function may resemble:

```
void XPRS_CC nodeInfeasible(XPRSprob prob, void *obj)
{
  int node;
  XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_NODES, &node);
  printf("Node %d infeasible\n", node);
}
```

See the example depthfirst.c on the Xpress-MP CD-ROM.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr

Purpose

Declares a user callback routine, called to initialize the cut manager.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC
    *fcmi)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fcmi The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and

has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fcmi.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with

XPRSsetcbinitcutmgr.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fcmi.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbinitcutmgr, XPRSsetcbcutlog, XPRSsetcbcutmgr, XPRSsetcbfreecutmgr.

XPRSsetcbintsol

Purpose

Declares a user integer solution callback function, called every time an integer solution is found by heuristics or during the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbintsol(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC *fuis)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

The current problem.

fuis The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and has no return value. This function is called if the current node is found to have an integer feasible solution, i.e. every time an integer feasible solution is found.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fuis.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fuis.

Example

The following example prints integer solutions as they are discovered in the global search, without using the solution file:

```
XPRSsetcbintsol(prob, printsol, NULL);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

The callback function might resemble:

XPRSsetcbintsol.

```
void XPRS_CC printsol(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object)
{
  int i, cols, *x;
  double objval;

  XPRSgetintattrib(my_prob, XPRS_COLS, &cols);
  XPRSgetdblattrib(my_prob, XPRS_LPOBJVAL, &objval);
  x = malloc(cols * sizeof(int));
  XPRSgetlpsol(my_prob, x, NULL, NULL, NULL);

  printf("\nInteger solution found: %f\n", objval);
  for(i=0;i<cols;i++) printf(" x[%d] = %d\n", i, x[i]);
}</pre>
```

Further information

This callback is useful if the user wants to retrieve the integer solution when it is found.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcblplog

Purpose

Declares a simplex log callback function which is called after every LPLOG iterations of the simplex algorithm.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcblplog(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fuil)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

The callback function which takes two arguments, my_prob and my_object, and has an integer return value. This function is called every LPLOG simplex iterations including iteration 0 and the final iteration.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fuil.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcblplog.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fuil.

Related controls

Integer

LPLOG

Frequency and type of simplex algorithm log.

Example

The following code sets a callback function, lpLog, to be called every 10 iterations of the optimization:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_LPLOG, 10);
XPRSsetcblplog(prob, lpLog, NULL);
XPRSreadprob(prob, "problem", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "");
```

The callback function may resemble:

```
int XPRS_CC lpLog(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object)
{
  int iter; double obj;

  XPRSgetintattrib(my_prob, XPRS_SIMPLEXITER, &iter);
  XPRSgetdblattrib(my_prob, XPRS_LPOBJVAL, &obj);
  printf("At iteration %d objval is %g\n", iter, obj);
  return 0;
}
```

Further information

If the callback function returns a nonzero value the solution process will be interrupted.

Related topics

XPRSgetcblplog, XPRSsetcbbarlog, XPRSsetcbgloballog, XPRSsetcbmessage.

XPRSsetcbmessage

Purpose

Declares an output callback function, called every time a text line is output by the Optimizer.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbmessage(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC *fop)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, const char *msg, int len, int msgtype),
    void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

The callback function which takes five arguments, my_prob, my_object, msg, len and msgtype, and has no return value. Use a NULL value to cancel a callback function.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function.

my_object The user-defined object passed to the callback function.

A null terminated character array (string) containing the message, which may simply be a new line.

1en The length of the message string, excluding the null terminator.

msgtype Indicates the type of output message:

- information messages;
- 2 (not used);
- 3 warning messages;
- 4 error messages.

A negative value indicates that the Optimizer is about to finish and the buffers should be flushed at this time if the output is being redirected to a file.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function.

Related controls

Integer

OUTPUTLOG All message

All messages are disabled if set to zero.

Example

The following example simply sends all output to the screen (stdout):

```
XPRSsetcbmessage(prob, Message, NULL);
```

The callback function might resemble:

Further information

- 1. Any screen output is disabled automatically whenever a user output callback is set.
- 2. Screen output is never produced by the Optimizer DLL running under Windows. The only way to enable screen output from the Optimizer DLL is to define this callback function and use it to print the messages to the screen (stdout).
- 3. This function offers one method of handling the messages which describe any warnings and errors that may occur during execution. Other methods are to check the return values of functions and then get the error code using the ERRORCODE attribute, obtain the last error message directly using XPRSgetlasterror, or send messages direct to a log file using XPRSsetlogfile.
- 4. Visual Basic, users must use the alternative function XPRSetcbmessageVB to define the callback; this is required because of the different way VB handles strings.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbmessage, XPRSsetcbbarlog, XPRSsetcbgloballog, XPRSsetcblplog, XPRSsetlogfile.

XPRSsetcbmipthread

Purpose

Declares a MIP thread callback function, called every time a MIP thread is started by the parallel MIP code.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbmipthread(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    *fmt)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, XPRSprob thread_prob),
    void *object);
```

Arguments

The current problem.

The callback function which takes three arguments, my_prob, my_object and thread_prob, and has no return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function.

my_object The user-defined object passed to the callback function.

thread_prob The problem pointer for the MIP thread

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function.

Related controls

Integer

MIPTHREADS Number of MIP threads to create.

Example

The following example clears the message callback for each of the MIP threads:

Related topics

XPRSgetcbmipthread, XPRSsetcbdestroymt.

XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate

Purpose

Declares the NLP "evaluate" callback function, used to evaluate the user defined nonlinear objective function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_evaluate The callback function which takes 4 arguments, my_prob and my_object , the point where the objective is to be evaluated, v used to return the value of the objective at x and has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, f_evaluate.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbnlpgradient.

 ${\tt x}$ Double array of length NCOLS containing the point where the NLP objective is to be evaluated.

Double pointer used by the callback to return the evaluated objective function value at x.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, f_evaluate.

Related topics

XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp, 2.6.

XPRSsetcbnlpgradient

Purpose

Declares the NLP "gradient" callback function, used to evaluate the gradient of the user defined nonlinear objective function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_gradient The callback function which takes 4 arguments, my_prob and my_object , the point where the objective is to be evaluated, v used to return the value of the objective at x and has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, f_evaluate.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate.

- ${\tt x}$ Double array of length NCOLS containing the point where the NLP objective is to be evaluated.
- Double array of length NCOLS used by the callback to return the evaluated gradient at x.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, f_evaluate.

Related topics

XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlphessian, XPRSgetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlppradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp, 2.6.

XPRSsetcbnlphessian

Purpose

Declares the NLP "Hessian" callback function, used to evaluate the gradient of the user defined nonlinear objective function.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbnlphessian(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC *f_-
hessian)(XPRSprob my_prob, void * my_object, const double x[],
const int mstart[], const int mqcol[], double dqe[]), void *
object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_hessian The callback function which takes 4 arguments, my_prob and my_object , the point where the objective is to be evaluated, v used to return the value of the objective at x and has an integer return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, f_hessian.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbnlphessian.

x Double array of length NCOLS containing the point where the NLP objective is to be evaluated.

mstart Integer array of length NCOLS indicating the starting offsets in the mqcol and dqe arrays for each column.

mqcol Integer array of length NLPHESSIANELEMS containing the column indices of the nonzero elements in the lower triangular part of the quadratic matrix.

dqe Double array of length NLPHESSIANELEMS, used by the callback to return the coefficients of the Hessian at x.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, f_hessian.

Related topics

```
XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs, XPRSsetcbnlpevaluate, XPRSsetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlppevaluate, XPRSgetcbnlpgradient, XPRSgetcbnlphessian, XPRSresetnlp, 2.6.
```

XPRSsetcbnodecutoff

Purpose

Declares a user node cutoff callback function, called every time a node is cut off as a result of an improved integer solution being found during the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbnodecutoff(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC
    *fucn)(XPRSprob my_prob, void *my_object, int nodnum), void
    *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

The callback function, which takes three arguments, my_prob, my_object and nodnum, and has no return value. This function is called every time a node is cut off as the result of an improved integer solution being found.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fucn.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetchnodecutoff.

nodnum The number of the node that is cut off.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fucn.

Example

The following notifies the user whenever a node is cutoff during the global search:

```
XPRSsetcbnodecutoff(prob,Cutoff,NULL);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "q");
```

The callback function might resemble:

```
void XPRS_CC Cutoff(XPRSprob prob, void *obj, int node)
{
  printf("Node %d cutoff\n", node);
}
```

See the example depthfirst.c on the Xpress-MP CD-ROM.

Further information

This function allows the user to keep track of the eligible nodes. Note that the LP solution will not be available from this callback.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcboptnode

Purpose

Declares an optimal node callback function, called after an optimal solution for the current node has been found during the Branch and Bound search.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcboptnode(XPRSprob prob, void (XPRS_CC *fuon)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, int *feas), void *object);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

fuon The callback function which takes three arguments, my_prob, my_object and feas, and has no return value.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fuon.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcboptnode.

The feasibility status. If set to a nonzero value by the user, the current node will be declared infeasible.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fuon.

Example

The following prints an optimal solution once found:

```
XPRSsetcboptnode(prob, nodeOptimal, NULL);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

The callback function might resemble:

```
void XPRS_CC nodeOptimal(XPRSprob prob, void *obj, int *feas)
{
  int node;
  double objval;

  XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_NODES, &node);
  printf("NodeOptimal: node number %d\n", node);
  XPRSgetdblattrib(prob, XPRS_LPOBJVAL, &objval);
  printf("\tObjective function value = %f\n", objval);
}
```

See the example depthfirst.c on the Xpress-MP CD-ROM.

Further information

The cost of optimizing the node will be avoided if the node is declared to be infeasible from this callback function.

Related topics

XPRSgetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcbchgbranch, XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcbpreintsol

Purpose

Declares a user integer solution callback function, called when an integer solution is found by heuristics or during the Branch and Bound search, but before it is accepted by the optimizer.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

f_preintsol The callback function which takes five arguments, my_prob, my_object, isheuristic, ifreject and cutoff, and has no return value. This function is called when an integer solution is found, but before the solution is accepted by the optimizer, allowing the user to reject the solution.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, f_preintsol.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} my_object & The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with $$XPRSsetcbpreintsol. $$$

isheuristic Set to 1 if the solution was found using a heuristic. Otherwise, it will be the global feasible solution to the current node of the global search.

ifreject Set this to 1 if the solution should be rejected.

The new cutoff value that the optimizer will use if the solution is accepted. If the user changes cutoff, the new value will be used instead. The cutoff value will not be updated if the solution is rejected.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fuis.

Related controls

Integer

MIPABSCUTOFF

Branch and Bound: If the user knows that they are interested only in values of the objective function which are better than some value, this can be assigned to MIPABSCUTOFF. This allows the Optimizer to ignore solving any nodes which may yield worse objective values, saving solution time. When a MIP solution is found a new cut off value is calculated and the value can be obtained from the CURRMIPCUTOFF attribute. The value of CURRMIPCUTOFF is calculated using the MIPRELCUTOFF and MIPADDCUTOFF controls.

Further information

- 1. If a solution is rejected, the optimizer will drop the found solution without updating any attributes, including the cutoff value. To change the cutoff value when rejecting a solution, the control MIPABSCUTOFF should be set instead.
- 2. When a node solution is rejected (isheuristic = 0), the node itself will be dropped without further branching.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbpreintsol, XPRSsetcbintsol.

XPRSsetcbprenode

Purpose

Declares a preprocess node callback function, called before the node has been optimized, so the solution at the node will not be available.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

The callback function, which takes three arguments, my_prob, my_object and nodinfeas, and has no return value. This function is called before a node is reoptimized and the node may be made infeasible by setting *nodinfeas to 1.

my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fupn.

my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with XPRSsetcbprenode.

nodinfeas The feasibility status. If set to a nonzero value by the user, the current node will be declared infeasible by the optimizer.

object A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fupn.

Example

The following example notifies the user before each node is processed:

```
XPRSsetcbprenode(prob, preNode, NULL);
XPRSminim(prob, "g");
```

The callback function might resemble:

```
void XPRS_CC preNode(XPRSprob prob, void* data, int *Nodinfeas)
{
  *Nodinfeas = 0; /* set to 1 if node is infeasible */
}
```

Related topics

XPRSgetcbprenode, XPRSsetcbchgnode, XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff, XPRSsetcboptnode.

XPRSsetcbsepnode

Purpose

Declares a separate callback function to specify how to separate a node in the Branch and Bound tree using a global object. A node can be separated by applying either cuts or bounds to each node. These are stored in the cut pool.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetcbsepnode(XPRSprob prob, int (XPRS_CC *fse)(XPRSprob
    my_prob, void *my_object, int ibr, int iglsel, int ifup, double
    curval), void *object);
```

Arguments

```
The current problem.
prob
fse
          The callback function, which takes six arguments, my_prob, my_object, ibr, iqlsel,
          ifup and curval, and has an integer return value.
my_prob The problem passed to the callback function, fse.
my_object The user-defined object passed as object when setting up the callback with
          XPRSsetcbsepnode.
          The branch number.
ibr
          The global entity number.
iglsel
          The direction of branch on the global entity (same as ibr).
ifup
          Current value of the global entity.
curval
          A user-defined object to be passed to the callback function, fse.
object
```

Example

This example minimizes a problem, before defining a user separate callback function for the global search:

```
XPRSminim(prob,"");
XPRSsetcbsepnode(prob, nodeSep, NULL);
XPRSglobal(prob);
```

where the function nodeSep may be defined as follows:

Further information

- 1. The user separate routine is called nbr times where nbr is returned by the estimate callback function, XPRSsetchestimate. This allows multi-way branching to be performed.
- 2. The bounds and/or cuts to be applied at a node must be specified in the user separate routine by calling XPRSsetbranchbounds and/or XPRSsetbranchcuts.

Related topics

XPRSgetcbsepnode, setbranchbounds, XPRSsetbranchcuts, XPRSsetcbestimate, storebounds, XPRSstorecuts.

XPRSsetdblcontrol

Purpose

Sets the value of a given double control parameter.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSsetdblcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, double dsval);

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be set. A full list of all controls may be found

in 7, or from the list in the ${\tt xprs.h}$ header file.

dsval Value to which the control parameter is to be set.

Example

The following sets the double control DEGRADEFACTOR to 1.0:

XPRSsetdblcontrol(prob, XPRS_DEGRADEFACTOR, 1.0);

Related topics

XPRSgetdblcontrol, XPRSsetintcontrol, XPRSsetstrcontrol.

XPRSsetdefaultcontrol

Purpose

Sets a single control to its default value.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetdefaultcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Integer, double or string control parameter whose default value is to be set. A full list of all controls may be found in 7, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

Example

The following turns off presolve to solve a problem, before resetting it to its default value and solving it again:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE, 0);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob);
XPRSsetdefaultcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

Related topics

XPRSsetdefaults, XPRSsetintcontrol, XPRSsetdblcontrol, XPRSsetstrcontrol.

XPRSsetdefaults

Purpose

Sets all controls to their default values. Must be called before the problem is read or loaded by XPRSreadprob, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSloadqplobal, XPRSloadqp.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetdefaults(XPRSprob prob);
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Example

The following turns off presolve to solve a problem, before resetting the control defaults, reading it and solving it again:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE, 0);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob);
XPRSsetdefaults(prob);
XPRSreadprob (prob);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
```

Related topics

```
XPRSsetdefaultcontrol, XPRSsetintcontrol, XPRSsetdblcontrol,
XPRSsetstrcontrol.
```

XPRSsetintcontrol

Purpose

Sets the value of a given integer control parameter.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetintcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, int isval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be set. A full list of all controls may be found

in 7, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

isval Value to which the control parameter is to be set.

Example

The following sets the control PRESOLVE to 0, turning off the presolve facility prior to optimization:

```
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE, 0);
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
```

Further information

Some of the integer control parameters, such as SCALING, are bitmaps, with each bit controlling different behavior. Bit 0 has value 1, bit 1 has value 2, bit 2 has value 4, and so on.

Related topics

XPRSgetintcontrol, XPRSsetdblcontrol, XPRSsetstrcontrol.

XPRSsetlogfile SETLOGFILE

Purpose

This directs all Optimizer output to a log file.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetlogfile(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename);
SETLOGFILE filename
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename The name of the file to which all output will be directed. If set to NULL, redirection

of the output will stop and all screen output will be turned back on (except for DLL users where screen output is always turned off).

Example

The following directs output to the file logfile.log:

```
XPRSinit(NULL);
XPRScreateprob(&prob);
XPRSsetlogfile(prob, "logfile.log");
```

Further information

- 1. It is recommended that a log file be set up for each problem being worked on, since it provides a means for obtaining any errors or warnings output by the Optimizer during the solution process.
- 2. If output is redirected with XPRSsetlogfile all screen output will be turned off.
- 3. Alternatively, an output callback can be defined using XPRSsetcbmessage, which will be called every time a line of text is output. Defining a user output callback will turn all screen output off. To discard all output messages the OUTPUTLOG integer control can be set to 0.

Related topics

XPRSsetcbmessage.

Purpose

Manages suppression of messages.

Synopsis

int XPRS_CC XPRSsetmessagestatus(XPRSprob prob, int errcode, int status);
SETMESSAGESTATUS errcode [status]

Arguments

prob The problem for which message errcode is to have its suppression status changed;

pass NULL if the message should have the status apply globally to all problems.

errcode The id number of the message. Refer to the section 9 for a list of possible message

numbers.

status Non-zero if the message is not suppressed; 0 otherwise. If a value for status is

not supplied in the command-line call then the console optimizer prints the value of the suppression status to screen i.e., non-zero if the message is not suppressed;

0 otherwise.

Example 1 (Library)

Attempting to optimize a problem that has no matrix loaded gives error 91. The following code uses XPRSsetmessagestatus to suppress the error message:

```
XPRScreateprob(&prob);
XPRSsetmessagestatus(prob, 91,0);
XPRSminim(prob, "");
```

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands for the Console user may look like:

```
SETMESSAGESTATUS 91 0 MINIM
```

Further information

If a message is suppressed globally then the message can only be enabled for any problem once the global suppression is removed with a call to XPRSsetmessagestatus with prob passed as NULL.

Related topics

XPRSgetmessagestatus.

Sets the current default problem name. This command is rarely used.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetprobname(XPRSprob prob, const char *probname);
SETPROBNAME probname
```

Arguments

```
probprobnameA string of up to 200 characters containing the problem name.
```

Example 1 (Library)

The following sets the current problem name to jo:

```
char sProblem[]="jo";
...
XPRSsetprobname(prob, sProblem);
```

Example 2 (Console)

```
READPROB bob
MINIM
SETPROBNAME jim
READPROB
```

The above will read the problem bob and then read the problem jim.

Related topics

XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

XPRSsetstrcontrol

Purpose

Used to set the value of a given string control parameter.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSsetstrcontrol(XPRSprob prob, int ipar, const char
    *csval);
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

ipar Control parameter whose value is to be set. A full list of all controls may be found

in 7, or from the list in the xprs.h header file.

csval A string containing the value to which the control is to be set (plus a null termina-

tor).

Example

The following sets the control MPSOBJNAME to "Profit":

```
XPRSsetstrcontrol(prob, XPRS_MPSOBJNAME, "Profit");
```

Related topics

XPRSgetstrcontrol, XPRSsetdblcontrol, XPRSsetintcontrol.

Terminates the Console Optimizer, returning an exit code to the operating system. This is useful for batch operations.

Synopsis

STOP

Example

The following example inputs a matrix file, lama.mat, runs a global optimization on it and then exits:

```
READPROB lama
MAXIM -g
STOP
```

Further information

This command may be used to terminate the Optimizer as with the QUIT command. It sets an exit value which may be inspected by the host operating system or invoking program.

Related topics

QUIT.

XPRSstorebounds

Purpose

Stores bounds for node separation using user separate callback function.

Synopsis

Arguments

```
The current problem.
prob
          Number of bounds to store.
nbnds
          Array containing the column indices.
mcols
          Array containing the bounds types:
qbtype
                 indicates an upper bound;
                 indicates a lower bound.
          Τ.
          Array containing the bound values.
dbds
          Pointer that the user will use to reference the stored bounds for the optimizer in
mindex
          XPRSsetbranchbounds.
```

Example

This example defines a user separate callback function for the global search:

```
XPRSsetcbsepnode(prob, nodeSep, void);
```

where the function nodeSep is defined as follows:

Related topics

XPRSsetbranchbounds, XPRSsetcbestimate, XPRSsetcbsepnode.

XPRSstorecuts

Purpose

Stores cuts into the cut pool, but does not apply them to the current node. These cuts must be explicitly loaded into the matrix using XPRSloadcuts or XPRSsetbranchcuts before they become active.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSstorecuts(XPRSprob prob, int ncuts, int nodupl, const
  int mtype[], const char qrtype[], const double drhs[], const
  int mstart[], XPRScut mindex[], const int mcols[], const double
  dmatval[]);
```

Arguments

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prob	The current problem.				
ncuts	Number of cuts to add.				
nodupl	 do not exclude duplicates from the cut pool; duplicates are to be excluded from the cut pool; duplicates are to be excluded from the cut pool, ignoring cut type. 				
mtype	Integer array of length $ncuts$ containing the cut types. The cut types can be any positive integer and are used to identify the cuts.				
qrtype	Character array of length ncuts containing the row types: L indicates a ≤ row; E indicates an = row; G indicates a ≥ row.				
drhs	Double array of length ncuts containing the right hand side elements for the cuts.				
mstart	Integer array containing offsets into the mcols and dmtval arrays indicating the start of each cut. This array is of length ncuts+1 with the last element mstart [ncuts] being where cut ncuts+1 would start.				
mindex	Array of length ncuts where the pointers to the cuts will be returned.				
mcols	Integer array of length mstart[ncuts]-1 containing the column indices in the cuts.				
dmatval	Double array of length mstart[ncuts]-1 containing the matrix values for the cuts.				

Related controls

Double

MATRIXTOL Zero tolerance on matrix elements.

Further information

- 1. XPRSstorecuts can be used to eliminate duplicate cuts. If the nodupl parameter is set to 1, the cut pool will be checked for duplicate cuts with a cut type identical to the cuts being added. If a duplicate cut is found the new cut will only be added if its right hand side value makes the cut stronger. If the cut in the pool is weaker than the added cut it will be removed unless it has been applied to an active node of the tree. If nodupl is set to 2 the same test is carried out on all cuts, ignoring the cut type.
- 2. XPRSstorecuts returns a list of the cuts added to the cut pool in the mindex array. If the cut is not added to the cut pool because a stronger cut exits a NULL will be returned. The mindex array can be passed directly to XPRSloadcuts or XPRSsetbranchcuts to load the most recently stored cuts into the matrix.
- 3. The columns and elements of the cuts must be stored contiguously in the mcols and dmtval arrays passed to XPRSstorecuts. The starting point of each cut must be stored in the mstart array. To determine the length of the final cut the mstart array must be of length ncuts+1 with the last element of this array containing where the cut ncuts+1 would start.

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XPRSwritebasis WRITEBASIS

Purpose

Writes the current basis to a file for later input into the Optimizer.

Synopsis

Arguments

The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name from which the basis is to be written. If omitted, the default problem_name is used with a .bss extension.

flags Flags to pass to XPRSwritebasis (WRITEBASIS):
 i output the internal presolved basis.
 t output a compact advanced form of the basis.
 n output basis file containing current solution values.
 p output values in double precision.
 x output values in hexadecimal format.

Example 1 (Library)

After an LP has been solved it may be desirable to save the basis for future input as an advanced starting point for other similar problems. This may save significant amounts of time if the LP is complex. The Optimizer input commands might then be:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSwritebasis(prob, "", "");
XPRSglobal(prob);
```

This reads in a matrix file, maximizes the LP, saves the basis and performs a global search. Saving an IP basis is generally not very useful, so in the above example only the LP basis is saved.

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands to the above for console users would be:

```
READPROB
MAXIM
WRITEBASIS
GLOBAL
```

Further information

- 1. The t flag is only useful for later input to a similar problem using the t flag with XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS).
- 2. If the Newton barrier algorithm has been used for optimization then crossover must have been performed before there is a valid basis. This basis can then only be used for restarting the simplex (primal or dual) algorithm.
- 3. XPRSwritebasis (WRITEBASIS) will output the basis for the original problem even if the matrix has been presolved.

Related topics

```
XPRSgetbasis, XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS).
```

XPRSwritebinsol WRITEBINSOL

Purpose

Writes the current MIP or LP solution to a binary solution file for later input into the Optimizer.

Synopsis

Arguments

Example 1 (Library)

After an LP has been solved or a MIP solution has been found the solution can be saved to file. If a MIP solution exists it will be written to file unless the -x flag is passed to XPRSwritebinsol (WRITEBINSOL) in which case the LP solution will be written. The Optimizer input commands might then be:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "g");
XPRSwritebinsol(prob, "", "");
```

This reads in a matrix file, maximizes the MIP and saves the last found MIP solution.

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands to the above for console users would be:

```
READPROB
MAXIM -g
WRITEBINSOL
```

Related topics

```
XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL), XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL).
```

XPRSwritedirs WRITEDIRS

Purpose

Writes the global search directives from the current problem to a directives file.

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSwritedirs(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename);
WRITEDIRS [filename]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the directives

should be written. If omitted (or NULL), the default *problem_name* is used with a .dir extension.

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Further information

If the problem has been presolved, only the directives for columns in the presolved problem will be written to file.

Related topics

XPRSloaddirs, A.6.

Writes the current problem to an MPS or LP file.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters to contain the file name to which the problem is to be written. If omitted, the default problem_name is used with a .mat extension, unless the 1 flag is used in which case the extension is .lp.

flags Flags, which can be one or more of the following:

- p full precision of numerical values;
- o one element per line;
- n scaled;
- s scrambled vector names;
- 1 output in LP format;
- x output MPS file in hexadecimal format.

Example 1 (Library)

The following example outputs the current problem in full precision, LP format with scrambled vector names to the file *problem name*.lp.

```
XPRSwriteprob(prob, "", "lps");
```

Example 2 (Console)

```
WRITEPROB -p C:myprob
```

This instructs the Optimizer to write an MPS matrix to the file myprob.mat on the C: drive in full precision.

Further information

If XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadglobal or XPRSloadqp is used to obtain a matrix then there is no association between the objective function and the N rows in the matrix and so a separate N row (called __OBJ___) is created when you do an XPRSwriteprob (WRITEPROB). Also if you do an XPRSreadprob (READPROB) and then change either the objective row or the N row in the matrix corresponding to the objective row, you lose the association between the two and the __OBJ___ row is created when you do an XPRSwriteprob (WRITEPROB). To remove the objective row from the matrix when doing an XPRSreadprob (READPROB), set KEEPNROWS to -1 before XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

The hexadecimal format is useful for saving the exact internal precision of the matrix.

Warning: If XPRSreadprob (READPROB) is used to input a problem, then the input file will be overwritten by XPRSwriteprob (WRITEPROB) if a new filename is not specified.

Related topics

XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

Writes the ranging information to a fixed format ASCII file, problem_name.rrt. The binary range file (.rng) must already exist, created by XPRSrange (RANGE).

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSwriteprtrange(XPRSprob prob);
WRITEPRTRANGE
```

Argument

prob The current problem.

Related controls

Integer

MAXPAGELINES Number of lines between page breaks.

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

Example 1 (Library)

The following example solves the LP problem and then calls XPRSrange (RANGE) before outputting the result to file for printing:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSrange(prob);
XPRSwriteprttange(prob);
```

Example 2 (Console)

An equivalent set of commands for the Console user would be:

```
READPROB
MAXIM
RANGE
WRITEPRTRANGE
```

Further information

- 1. (Console) There is an equivalent command PRINTRANGE which outputs the same information to the screen. The format is the same as that output to file by XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE), except that the user is permitted to enter a response after each screen if further output is required.
- 2. The fixed width ASCII format created by this command is not as readily useful as that produced by XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE). The main purpose of XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE) is to create a file that can be printed. The format of this fixed format range file is described in Appendix A.

Related topics

```
XPRSgetcolrange, XPRSgetrowrange, XPRSrange (RANGE), XPRSwriteprtsol, XPRSwriterange, A.6.
```

Writes the current solution to a fixed format ASCII file, problem_name .prt.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the solution is

to be written. If omitted, the default *problem_name* will be used. The extension

.prt will be appended. $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right) \left($

flags Flags for XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) are:

x write the LP solution instead of the current MIP solution.

Related controls

Integer

MAXPAGELINES Number of lines between page breaks.

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

Example 1 (Library)

This example shows the standard use of this function, outputting the solution to file immediately following optimization:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSmaxim(prob, "");
XPRSwriteprtsol(prob, "", "");
```

Example 2 (Console)

READPROB MAXIM PRINTSOL

are the equivalent set of commands for Console users who wish to view the output directly on screen.

Further information

- 1. (Console) There is an equivalent command PRINTSOL which outputs the same information to the screen. The format is the same as that output to file by XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL), except that the user is permitted to enter a response after each screen if further output is required.
- 2. The fixed width ASCII format created by this command is not as readily useful as that produced by XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL). The main purpose of XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) is to create a file that can be sent directly to a printer. The format of this fixed format ASCII file is described in Appendix A.
- 3. To create a prt file for a previously saved solution, the solution must first be loaded with the XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL) function.

Related topics

```
XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSreadbinsol XPRSwritebinsol, XPRSwriteprtrange, XPRSwritesol, A.4.
```

Writes the ranging information to a CSV format ASCII file, problem_name.rsc (and .hdr). The binary range file (.rng) must already exist, created by XPRSrange (RANGE) and an associated header file.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the solution is

to be written. If omitted, the default problem_name will be used. The extensions

. hdr and .rsc will be appended to the filename.

flags Flags to control which optional fields are output:

s sequence number;

n name;

t type;

b basis status;

a activity;

c cost (column), slack (row).

If no flags are specified, all fields are output.

Related controls

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

String

OUTPUTMASK Mask to restrict the row and column names output to file.

Example 1 (Library)

At its most basic, the usage of XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE) is similar to that of XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE), except that the output is intended as input to another program. The following example shows its use:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "myprob", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSrange(prob);
XPRSwriterange(prob, "", "");
```

Example 2 (Console)

```
RANGE
WRITERANGE -nbac
```

This example would output just the name, basis status, activity, and cost (for columns) or slack (for rows) for each vector to the file <code>problem_name.rsc</code>. It would also output a number of other fields of ranging information which cannot be enabled/disabled by the user.

Further information

- 1. The following fields are always present in the .rsc file, in the order specified. See the description of the ASCII range files in Appendix A for details of their interpretation. For rows, the lower and upper cost entries are zero. If a limiting process or activity does not exist, the field is blank, delimited by double quotes.
 - lower activity
 - unit cost down
 - upper cost (or lower profit if maximizing)
 - limiting process down
 - status of down limiting process
 - upper activity
 - unit cost up
 - lower cost (or upper profit if maximizing)
 - limiting process up
 - status of up limiting process
- 2. The control OUTPUTMASK may be used to control which vectors are reported to the ASCII file. Only vectors whose names match OUTPUTMASK are output. This is set to "???????" by default, so that all vectors are output.

Related topics

XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE), XPRSrange (RANGE), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL), A.6.

XPRSwriteslxsol WRITESLXSOL

Purpose

Creates an ASCII solution file (.slx) using a similar format to MPS files. These files can be read back into the optimizer using the XPRSreadslxsol function.

Synopsis

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the solution is to be written. If omitted, the default *problem name* is used with a .slx extension.

flags Flags to pass to XPRSwriteslxsol (WRITESLXSOL):

- write the LP solution in case of a MIP problem;
- m write the MIP solution;
- p use full precision for numerical values;
- x use hexadecimal format to write values.

Example 1 (Library)

```
XPRSwriteslxsol(prob, "lpsolution", "");
```

This saves the MIP solution if the problem contains global entities, or otherwise saves the LP (barrier in case of quadratic problems) solution of the problem.

Example 2 (Console)

```
WRITESLXSOL lpsolution
```

Which is equivalent to the library example above.

Related topics

XPRSreadslxsol (READSLXSOL, XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL), XPRSwritebinsol WRITEBINSOL, XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL).

XPRSwritesol WRITESOL

Purpose

Writes the current solution to a CSV format ASCII file, problem_name.asc (and .hdr).

Synopsis

```
int XPRS_CC XPRSwritesol(XPRSprob prob, const char *filename, const char
     *flags);
WRITESOL [filename] [-flags]
```

Arguments

prob The current problem.

filename A string of up to 200 characters containing the file name to which the solution is to be written. If omitted, the default *problem_name* will be used. The extensions .hdr and .asc will be appended.

flags Flags to control which optional fields are output:

- seguence number;
- n name;
- t type;
- b **basis status**;
- a activity;
- c cost (columns), slack (rows);
- lower bound;
- u upper bound;
- d dj (column; reduced costs), dual value (rows; shadow prices);
- r right hand side (rows).

If no flags are specified, all fields are output.

Additional flags:

- outputs every MIP or goal programming solution saved;
- p outputs in full precision;
- q only outputs vectors with nonzero optimum value;
- x output the current LP solution instead of the MIP solution.

Related controls

Double

OUTPUTTOL Zero tolerance on print values.

String

OUTPUTMASK Mask to restrict the row and column names output to file.

Example 1 (Library)

In this example the basis status is output (along with the sequence number) following optimization:

```
XPRSreadprob(prob, "richard", "");
XPRSminim(prob, "");
XPRSwritesol(prob, "", "sb");
```

Example 2 (Console)

Suppose we wish to produce files containing

- the names and values of variables starting with the letter X which are nonzero and
- the names, values and right hand sides of constraints starting with CO2.

The Optimizer commands necessary to do this are:

```
OUTPUTMASK = "X??????"
WRITESOL XVALS -naq
OUTPUTMASK = "CO2?????"
WRITESOL CO2 -nar
```

Further information

- 1. The command produces two readable files: filename.hdr (the solution header file) and filename.asc (the CSV foramt solution file). The header file contains summary information, all in one line. The ASCII file contains one line of information for each row and column in the problem. Any fields appearing in the .asc file will be in the order the flags are described above. The order that the flags are specified by the user is irrelevant.
- 2. Additionally, the mask control OUTPUTMASK may be used to control which names are reported to the ASCII file. Only vectors whose names match OUTPUTMASK are output. OUTPUTMASK is set by default to "???????", so that all vectors are output.
- 3. If KEEPMIPSOL has been used to store a number of MIP or goal programming solutions, the e flag can be used to output solution information for every solution kept. The best solution found is still output to problem_name.hdr and problem_name.asc. Any other solutions are output to the header files problem_name.hd0, problem_name. hd1,... and ASCII solution files problem_name.as0, problem_name.as1,....

Related topics

XPRSgetlpsol, XPRSgetmipsol, XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE), XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL).

Chapter 7

Control Parameters

Various controls exist within the Optimizer to govern the solution procedure and the form of output. The majority of these take integer values and act as switches between various types of behavior. The tolerances on values are double precision, and there are a few controls which are character strings, setting names to structures. Any of these may be altered by the user to enhance performance of the Optimizer. However, it should be noted that the default values provided have been found to work well in practice over a range of problems and caution should be exercised if they are changed.

7.1 Retrieving and Changing Control Values

Console Xpress users may obtain control values by issuing the control name at the Optimizer prompt, >, and hitting the RETURN key. Controls may be set using the assignment syntax:

```
control name = new value
```

where *new_value* is an integer value, double or string as appropriate. For character strings, the name must be enclosed in single quotes and all eight characters must be given.

Users of the Xpress-MP Libraries are provided with the following set of functions for setting and obtaining control values:

```
XPRSgetintcontrolXPRSgetdblcontrolXPRSgetstrcontrolXPRSsetintcontrolXPRSsetdblcontrolXPRSsetstrcontrol
```

It is an important point that the controls as listed in this chapter *must* be prefixed with XPRS_ to be used with the Xpress-MP Libraries and failure to do so will result in an error. An example of their usage is as follows:

```
XPRSgetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE, &presolve);
printf("The value of PRESOLVE is %d\n", presolve);
XPRSsetintcontrol(prob, XPRS_PRESOLVE, 1-presolve);
printf("The value of PRESOLVE is now %d\n", 1-presolve);
```

AUTOPERTURB

Description

Simplex: This indicates whether automatic perturbation is performed. If this is set to 1, the problem will be perturbed by the amount PERTURB whenever the simplex method encounters an excessive number of degenerate pivot steps, thus preventing the Optimizer being hindered by degeneracies.

Type Integer

Values 0 No perturbation performed.

1 Automatic perturbation is performed.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BACKTRACK

Description Branch and Bound: This determines how the next node in the tree search is selected

for processing.

Type Integer

Values 1 If MIPTARGET is not set, choose the node with the best estimate. If MIPTAR-

GET is set (by the user or by the global search previously finding an integer solution), the choice is based on the Forrest-Hirst-Tomlin Criterion, which takes into account the best current integer solution and seeks a new node which

represents a large potential improvement.

2 Always choose the node with the best estimated solution.

3 Always choose the node with the best bound on the solution.

Default value 3

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

BARCRASH

Description Newton barrier: This determines the type of crash used for the crossover. During

the crash procedure, an initial basis is determined which attempts to speed up the crossover. A good choice at this stage will significantly reduce the number of iterations required to crossover to an optimal solution. The possible values increase

proportionally to their time-consumption.

Type Integer

Values 0 Turns off all crash procedures.

1-6 Available strategies with 1 being conservative and 6 being aggressive.

Default value 4

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARDUALSTOP

Description Newton barrier: This is a convergence parameter, representing the tolerance for dual

infeasibilities. If the difference between the constraints and their bounds in the dual problem falls below this tolerance in absolute value, optimization will stop and the

current solution will be returned.

Type Double

Default value 0 (determine automatically)

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARGAPSTOP

Description Newton barrier: This is a convergence parameter, representing the tolerance for the

relative duality gap. When the difference between the primal and dual objective function values falls below this tolerance, the Optimizer determines that the optimal

solution has been found.

Type Double

Default value 0 (determine automatically)

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARINDEFLIMIT

Description Newton Barrier. This limits the number of consecutive indefinite barrier iterations

that will be performed. The optimizer will try to minimize (resp. maximize) a QP problem even if the Q matrix is not positive (resp. negative) semi-definite. However, the optimizer may detect that the Q matrix is indefinite and this can result in the optimizer not converging. This control specifies how many indefinite iterations may occur before the optimizer stops and reports that the problem is indefinite. It is usual to specify a value greater than one, and only stop after a series of indefinite matrices, as the problem may be found to be indefinite incorrectly on a few iterations for

numerical reasons.

Type Integer

Default value 15

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARITERLIMIT

Description Newton barrier: The maximum number of iterations. While the simplex method usu-

ally performs a number of iterations which is proportional to the number of constraints (rows) in a problem, the barrier method standardly finds the optimal solution to a given accuracy after a number of iterations which is independent of the problem size. The penalty is rather that the time for each iteration increases with the size of the problem. BARITERLIMIT specifies the maximum number of iterations which will

be carried out by the barrier.

Type Integer

Default value 200

BARORDER

Description Newton barrier: This specifies the ordering algorithm for the Cholesky factorization,

used to preserve the sparsity of the factorized matrix.

Type Integer

Values 0 Choose automatically.

Minimum degree method. This selects diagonal elements with the smallest number of nonzeros in their rows or columns.

2 Minimum local fill method. This considers the adjacency graph of nonzeros in the matrix and seeks to eliminate nodes that minimize the creation of new edges.

Nested dissection method. This considers the adjacency graph and recursively seeks to separate it into non-adjacent pieces.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BAROUTPUT

Description Newton barrier: This specifies the level of solution output provided. Output is pro-

vided either after each iteration of the algorithm, or else can be turned off completely

by this parameter.

Type Integer

Values 0 No output.

1 At each iteration.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARPRIMALSTOP

Description Newton barrier: This is a convergence parameter, indicating the tolerance for primal

infeasibilities. If the difference between the constraints and their bounds in the primal problem falls below this tolerance in absolute value, the Optimizer will terminate

and return the current solution.

Type Double

Default value 0 (determine automatically)

BARSTART

Description Newton barrier: Controls the computation of the starting point for the barrier algo-

rithm.

Type Integer

Values 0 Determine automatically.

1 Uses simple heuristics to compute the starting point based on the magnitudes

of the matrix entries.

2 Uses the pseudoinverse of the constraint matrix to determine primal and dual

initial solutions. Less sensitive to scaling and numerically more robust, but in

several case less efficient than 1.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARSTEPSTOP

Description Newton barrier: A convergence parameter, representing the minimal step size. On

each iteration of the barrier algorithm, a step is taken along a computed search direction. If that step size is smaller than BARSTEPSTOP, the Optimizer will terminate

and return the current solution.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-10

Note If the barrier method is making small improvements on BARGAPSTOP on later iter-

ations, it may be better to set this value higher, to return a solution after a close

approximation to the optimum has been found.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARTHREADS

Description Newton barrier: The number of threads implemented to run the algorithm. This is

usually set to the number of processors when running Parallel Xpress-MP on a single

multi-processor machine.

Type Integer

Default value 1

Note The value of BARTHREADS depends on the user's authorization. If it is set to a value

higher than that specified by the licence, then it will be reset by the Optimizer immediately prior to optimization. Obtaining its value after the optimization will give an

indication of how many processors were actually used.

BIGM

Description The infeasibility penalty used if the "Big M" method is implemented.

Type Double

Default value Dependent on the matrix characteristics.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BIGMMETHOD

Description Simplex: This specifies whether to use the "Big M" method, or the standard phase

I (achieving feasibility) and phase II (achieving optimality). In the "Big M" method, the objective coefficients of the variables are considered during the feasibility phase, possibly leading to an initial feasible basis which is closer to optimal. The side-effects involve possible round-off errors due to the presence of the "Big M" factor in the

problem.

Type Integer

Values 0 For phase I / phase II.

1 If "Big M" method to be used.

Default value 1

Note Reset by XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp,

XPRSloadqglobal and XPRSloadqp.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BRANCHCHOICE

Description Once a global entity has been selected for branching, this control determines whether

the branch with the minimum or the maximum estimate is solved first.

Type Integer

Values 0 Minimum estimate branch first.

1 Maximum estimate branch first.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

BREADTHFIRST

Description The number of nodes to include in the best-first search before switching to the local

first search (NODESELECTION = 4).

Type Integer

Default value 10

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CACHESIZE

Description Newton barrier: L2 cache size in kB (kilo bytes) of the CPU. On Intel (or compatible)

platforms a value of -1 may be used to determine the cache size automatically.

Type Integer

Default value -1

Note Specifying the correct L2 cache size can give a significant performance advantage

with the Newton barrier algorithm.

If the size is unknown, it is better to specify a smaller size.

If the size cannot be determined automatically on Intel (or compatible) platforms, a

default size of 512 kB is assumed.

For multi-processor machines, use the cache size of a single CPU.

Specify the size in kB: for example, 0.5 MB means 512 kB and a value of 512 should

be used when setting CACHESIZE.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

CHOLESKYALG

Description Newton barrier: type of Cholesky factorization used.

Type Integer

Values 0 Pull Cholesky;

1 Push Cholesky.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

CHOLESKYTOL

Description Newton barrier: The zero tolerance for pivot elements in the Cholesky decomposi-

tion of the normal equations coefficient matrix, computed at each iteration of the barrier algorithm. If the absolute value of the pivot element is less than or equal to CHOLESKYTOL, it merits special treatment in the Cholesky decomposition process.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-15

COVERCUTS

Description Branch and Bound: The number of rounds of lifted cover inequalities at the top node.

A lifted cover inequality is an additional constraint that can be particularly effective at reducing the size of the feasible region without removing potential integral solutions. The process of generating these can be carried out a number of times, further reducing the feasible region, albeit incurring a time penalty. There is usually a good payoff from generating these at the top node, since these inequalities then apply to

every subsequent node in the tree search.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CPUTIME

Description Which time to be used in reporting solution times.

Type Integer

Values 0 If elapsed time is to be used.

1 If CPU time is to be used.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CRASH

Description Simplex: This determines the type of crash used when the algorithm begins. Dur-

ing the crash procedure, an initial basis is determined which is as close to feasibility and triangularity as possible. A good choice at this stage will significantly reduce the number of iterations required to find an optimal solution. The possible values

increase proportionally to their time-consumption.

Type Integer

Values 0 Turns off all crash procedures.

For singletons only (one pass).

For singletons only (multi pass).

3 Multiple passes through the matrix considering slacks.

Multiple (≤ 10) passes through the matrix but only doing slacks at the very

end.

n>10 As for value 4 but performing at most n - 10 passes.

Default value 2

CROSSOVER

Description Newton barrier: This control determines whether the barrier method will cross over to

the simplex method when at optimal solution has been found, to provide an end basis (see XPRSgetbasis, XPRSwritebasis) and advanced sensitivity analysis information

(see XPRSrange).

Type Integer

Values -1 Determined automatically.

0 No crossover.

1 Crossover to a basic solution.

Default value -1

Note The full primal and dual solution is available whether or not crossover is used. The

crossover must not be disabled if the barrier is used to reoptimize nodes of a MIP. By

default crossover will not be performed on QP and MIQP problems.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

CROSSOVERDRP

Description This control determines whether in the crossover procedure, the optimizer should

dynamically try to reduce the perturbation in the crossover working problem.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Perform it once before crossover.

1 Perform it inside crossover.

2 More aggressive reductions before crossover.

Default value 5 (bits 0 and 2 are set)

Note The control CROSSOVER determines whether the crossover procedure is done after

barrier.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also CROSSOVER.

CSTYLE

Description Convention used for numbering arrays.

Type Integer

Values 0 Indicates that the FORTRAN convention should be used for arrays (i.e. start-

ing from 1).

1 Indicates that the C convention should be used for arrays (i.e. starting from

0).

Default value 1

Affects routines All library routines which take arrays as arguments.

CUTDEPTH

Description Branch and Bound: Sets the maximum depth in the tree search at which cuts will

be generated. Generating cuts can take a lot of time, and is often less important at deeper levels of the tree since tighter bounds on the variables have already reduced

the feasible region. A value of 0 signifies that no cuts will be generated.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CUTFACTOR

Description Limit on the number of cuts and cut coefficients the optimizer is allowed to add to the

matrix during global search. The cuts and cut coefficients are limited by CUTFACTOR

times the number of rows and coefficients in the initial matrix.

Type Double

Values Bit Meaning

-1 Let the optimizer decide on the maximum amount of cuts based on

CUTSTRATEGY.

>=0 Multiple of number of rows and coefficients to use.

Default value -1

Note A value of 0.0 prevents cuts from being added, and a value of e.g. 1.0 will allow the

problem to grow to twice the initial number of rows and coefficients.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also CUTSTRATEGY.

CUTFREQ

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies the frequency at which cuts are generated in the

tree search. If the depth of the node modulo CUTFREQ is zero, then cuts will be

generated.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CUTSTRATEGY

DescriptionBranch and Bound: This specifies the cut strategy. A more aggressive cut strategy, generating a greater number of cuts, will result in fewer nodes to be explored, but

with an associated time cost in generating the cuts. The fewer cuts generated, the less time taken, but the greater subsequent number of nodes to be explored.

Type Integer

Values -1 Automatic selection of the cut strategy.

0 No cuts.

Conservative cut strategy.

Moderate cut strategy.

3 Aggressive cut strategy.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

CUTSELECT

Description A bit vector providing detailed control of the cuts created for the root node of a

global solve. Use TREECUTSELECT to control cuts during the tree search.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

5 Clique cuts.

6 Mixed Integer Rounding (MIR) cuts.

7 Lifted cover cuts.

11 Flow path cuts.

12 Implication cuts.

13 Turn on automatic Lift-and-Project cutting strategy.

14 Disable cutting from cut rows.

15 Lifted GUB cover cuts.

Default value -1

Note The default value is -1 which enables all bits. Any bits not listed in the above table

should be left in their default 'on' state, since the interpretation of such bits might

change in future versions of the optimizer.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also COVERCUTS, GOMCUTS, TREECUTSELECT.

DEFAULTALG

Description This selects the algorithm that will be used to solve the LP if no algorithm flag is

passed to the optimization routines.

Type Integer

Values 1 Automatically determined.

2 Dual simplex.

3 Primal simplex.

4 Newton barrier.

Default value

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

DEGRADEFACTOR

Description Branch and Bound: Factor to multiply estimated degradations associated with an

unexplored node in the tree. The estimated degradation is the amount by which the objective function is expected to worsen in an integer solution that may be obtained

through exploring a given node.

Type Double

Default value 1.0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

DENSECOLLIMIT

Description Newton barrier: Columns with more than DENSECOLLIMIT elements are considered

to be dense. Such columns will be handled specially in the Cholesky factorization of

this matrix.

Type Integer

Default value 0 — determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

DETERMINISTIC

Description Branch and Bound: Specifies whether the parallel MIP search should be deterministic.

Type Integer

Values 0 Use non-deterministic parallel MIP.

1 Use deterministic parallel MIP.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSqlobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPTHREADS.

DUALGRADIENT

Description Simplex: This specifies the dual simplex pricing method.

Type Integer

Values -1 Determine automatically.

O Devex.

1 Steepest edge.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also PRICINGALG.

DUALIZE

Description This specifies whether presolve should form the dual of the problem.

Type Integer

Values −1 Determine automatically.

Solve the primal problem.Solve the dual problem.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

DUALSTRATEGY

Description Simplex: Specifies the dual strategy that should be used when re-optimizing with the

dual algorithm in the branch and bound tree.

Type Integer

Values 0 Use the primal algorithm to remove dual infeasibilities if they arise when the

problem is still primal infeasible.

Use the dual algorithm to remove dual infeasibilities if they arise when the

problem is still primal infeasible.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

EIGENVALUETOL

Description A quadratic matrix is considered not to be positive semi-definite, if its smallest eigen-

value is smaller than the negative of this value.

Type Double

Default value 1E-6

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), CHECKCONVEXITY.

See also IFCHECKCONVEXITY.

ELIMTOL

Description The Markowitz tolerance for the elimination phase of the presolve.

Type Double

Default value 0.001

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

ETATOL

Description Zero tolerance on eta elements. During each iteration, the basis inverse is premul-

tiplied by an elementary matrix, which is the identity except for one column - the eta vector. Elements of eta vectors whose absolute value is smaller than ${\tt ETATOL}$ are

taken to be zero in this step.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-13

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSbtran, XPRSftran.

EXTRACOLS

Description The initial number of extra columns to allow for in the matrix. If columns are to be

added to the matrix, then, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the columns before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRACOLS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the

user actually requires.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal,

XPRSloadqp.

See also EXTRAROWS, EXTRAELEMS, EXTRAMIPENTS.

EXTRAELEMS

Description

The initial number of extra matrix elements to allow for in the matrix, including coefficients for cuts. If rows or columns are to be added to the matrix, then, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the extra matrix elements before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRAELEMS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires. The space allowed for cut coefficients is equal to the number of extra matrix elements remaining after rows and columns have been added but before the global optimization starts. EXTRAELEMS is set automatically by the optimizer when the matrix is first

input to allow space for cuts, but if you add rows or columns, this automatic setting will not be updated. So if you wish cuts, either automatic cuts or user cuts, to be added to the matrix and you are adding rows or columns, EXTRAELEMS must be set before the matrix is first input, to allow space both for the cuts and any extra rows or columns that you wish to add.

Type Integer

Default value Hardware/platform dependent.

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal,

XPRSloadqp, XPRSsetcbcutmgr.

See also EXTRACOLS, EXTRAROWS.

EXTRAMIPENTS

Description The initial number of extra global entities to allow for.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgglobal.

EXTRAPRESOLVE

Description The initial number of extra elements to allow for in the presolve.

Type Integer

Default value Hardware/platform dependent.

Note The space required to store extra presolve elements is allocated dynamically, so it is

not necessary to set this control.

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloaddp, XPRSloadqglobal,

XPRSloadqp.

EXTRAQCELEMENTS

Description The initial number of extra quadratic row coefficients to allow for in the matrix. If

quadratic rows are to be added to the matrix, then for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the coefficients before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRAQCROWS and EXTRAQCELEMENTS controls. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadqcqp.

See also EXTRAELEMS, EXTRAMIPENTS, EXTRAROWS, EXTRAQCROWS.

EXTRAQCROWS

Description The initial number of extra quadratic rows to allow for in the matrix. If quadratic

rows are to be added to the matrix, then for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the coefficients before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRAQCROWS and EXTRAQCELEMENTS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically,

but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadqcqp.

See also EXTRAELEMS, EXTRAMIPENTS, EXTRAROWS, EXTRAQCELEMENTS.

EXTRAROWS

Description The initial number of extra rows to allow for in the matrix, including cuts. If rows are

to be added to the matrix, then, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the rows before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRAROWS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires. The space allowed for cuts is equal to the number of extra rows remaining after rows have been added but before the global optimization starts. EXTRAROWS is set automatically by the optimizer when the matrix is first input to allow space for cuts, but if you add rows, this automatic setting will not be updated. So if you wish cuts, either automatic cuts or user cuts, to be added to the matrix and you are adding rows, EXTRAROWS must be set before the matrix is first input, to allow

space both for the cuts and any extra rows that you wish to add.

Type Integer

Default value Dependent on the matrix characteristics.

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal,

XPRSloadqp, XPRSsetcbcutmgr.

See also EXTRACOLS.

EXTRASETELEMS

Description The initial number of extra elements in sets to allow for in the matrix. If sets are to be

added to the matrix, then, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the set elements before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRASETELEMS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than

the user actually requires.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadgglobal,

XPRSloadqp.

See also EXTRAMIPENTS, EXTRASETS.

EXTRASETS

Description The initial number of extra sets to allow for in the matrix. If sets are to be added to

the matrix, then, for maximum efficiency, space should be reserved for the sets before the matrix is input by setting the EXTRASETS control. If this is not done, resizing will occur automatically, but more space may be allocated than the user actually requires.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloaddp, XPRSloadqglobal,

XPRSloadqp.

See also EXTRAMIPENTS, EXTRASETELEMS.

FEASIBILITYPUMP

Description Branch and Bound: Decides if the Feasibility Pump heuristic should be run at the top

node.

Type Integer

Values 0 Turned off.

1 Always try the Feasibility Pump.

2 Try the Feasibility Pump only if other heuristics have failed to find an integer

solution.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

FEASTOL

Description This is the zero tolerance on right hand side values, bounds and range values, i.e. the

bounds of basic variables. If one of these is less than or equal to FEASTOL in absolute

value, it is treated as zero.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-06

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSgetinfeas.

FORCEOUTPUT

Description

Certain names in the problem object may be incompatible with different file formats (such as names containing spaces for LP files). If the optimizer might be unable to read back a problem because of non-standard names, it will give an error message and won't create the file. This option may be used to force output anyway.

Type Integer

Values 0 Check format compatibility.

1 Force output.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSwriteprob (WRITEPROB).

GOMCUTS

Description Branch and Bound: The number of rounds of Gomory cuts at the top node. These can

always be generated if the current node does not yield an integral solution. However, Gomory cuts are not usually as effective as lifted cover inequalities in reducing the size

of the feasible region.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

HEURDEPTH

Description Branch and Bound: Sets the maximum depth in the tree search at which heuristics

will be used to find MIP solutions. It may be worth stopping the heuristic search for solutions after a certain depth in the tree search. A value of 0 signifies that heuristics

will not be used.

Type Integer

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

HEURDIVESPEEDUP

Description Branch and Bound: Changes the emphasis of the diving heuristic from solution quality

to diving speed.

Type Integer

Values -2 Automatic selection biased towards quality

-1 Automatic selection biased towards speed.

0-4 manual emphasis bias from emphasis on quality (0) to emphasis on speed (4).

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also HEURDIVESTRATEGY.

HEURDIVESTRATEGY

Description Branch and Bound: Chooses the strategy for the diving heuristic.

Type Integer

Values −1 Automatic selection of strategy.

O Disables the diving heuristic.

1-10 Available pre-set strategies for rounding infeasible global entities and reop-

timizing during the heuristic dive.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also HEURSTRATEGY.

HEURFREQ

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies the frequency at which heuristics are used in the tree

search. Heuristics will only be used at a node if the depth of the node is a multiple of

HEURFREQ.

Type Integer

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

HEURMAXSOL

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies the maximum number of heuristic solutions that will

be found in the tree search.

Type Integer

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

HEURNODES

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies the maximum number of nodes at which heuristics

are used in the tree search.

Type Integer

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

HEURSEARCHEFFORT

Description Adjusts the overall level of the local search heuristics.

Type Double

Default value

Note HEURSEARCHEFFORT is used as a multiplier on the default amount of work the local

search heuristics should do. A higher value means the local search heuristics will be

run more often and that they are allowed to search larger neighborhoods.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

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See also HEURSTRATEGY, HEURSEARCHROOTSELECT, HEURSEARCHTREESELECT.

HEURSEARCHFREQ

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies how often the local search heuristic should be run

in the tree.

Type Integer

Values -1 Automatic.

O Disabled in the tree.

n>0 Number of nodes between each run.

Default value −1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also HEURSTRATEGY.

HEURSEARCHROOTSELECT

Description A bit vector for selecting which local search heuristics to apply on the root node of

a global solve. Use HEURSEARCHTREESELECT to control local search heuristics during

the tree search.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Local search with a large neighborhood. Potentially slow but is good for

finding solutions that differs significantly from the incumbent.

1 Local search with a small neighborhood centered around a node LP solution.

2 Local search with a small neighborhood centered around an integer solution. This heuristic will often provide smaller, incremental improvements to an in-

cumbent solution.

Default value 1

Note The local search heuristics will benefit from having an existing incumbent solution,

but it is not required. An initial solution can also be provided by the user through

either XPRSloadmipsol or XPRSloadascsol.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also HEURSTRATEGY, HEURSEARCHTREESELECT, HEURSEARCHEFFORT.

HEURSEARCHTREESELECT

Description A bit vector for selecting which local search heuristics to apply during the tree search

of a global solve. Use HEURSEARCHROOTRSELECT to control local search heuristics on

the root node.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Local search with a large neighborhood. Potentially slow but is good for

finding solutions that differs significantly from the incumbent.

Local search with a small neighborhood centered around a node LP solution.
Local search with a small neighborhood centered around an integer solution.

Local search with a small neighborhood centered around an integer solution. This heuristic will often provide smaller, incremental improvements to an in-

cumbent solution.

Default value 1

Note The local search heuristics will benefit from having an existing incumbent solution,

but it is not required. An initial solution can also be provided by the user through

either XPRSloadmipsol or XPRSloadascsol.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also HEURSTRATEGY, HEURSEARCHROOTSELECT, HEURSEARCHEFFORT.

HEURSTRATEGY

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies the heuristic strategy. On some problems it is worth

trying more comprehensive heuristic strategies by setting HEURSTRATEGY to 2 or 3.

Type Integer

Values -1 Automatic selection of heuristic strategy.

0 No heuristics.

1 Basic heuristic strategy.

2 Enhanced heuristic strategy.

3 Extensive heuristic strategy.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

IFCHECKCONVEXITY

Description

Determines if the convexity of the problem is checked before optimization. Applies to quadratic, mixed integer quadratic and quadratically constrained problems. Checking convexity takes some time, thus for problems that are known to be convex it might be reasonable to switch the checking off.

Values 0 Turn off convexity checking.

1 Turn on convexity checking.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also EIGENVALUETOL

INVERTFREQ

Description Simplex: The frequency with which the basis will be inverted. The basis is maintained

in a factorized form and on most simplex iterations it is incrementally updated to reflect the step just taken. This is considerably faster than computing the full inverted matrix at each iteration, although after a number of iterations the basis becomes less well-conditioned and it becomes necessary to compute the full inverted matrix. The value of INVERTFREQ specifies the maximum number of iterations between full

inversions.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — the frequency is determined automatically.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

INVERTMIN

Description Simplex: The minimum number of iterations between full inversions of the basis ma-

trix. See the description of INVERTFREQ for details.

Type Integer

Default value 3

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

KEEPBASIS

Description Simplex: This determines which basis to use for the next iteration. The choice is

between using that determined by the crash procedure at the first iteration, or using

the basis from the last iteration.

Type Integer

Values 0 Problem optimization starts from the first iteration, i.e. the previous basis is

ignored.

1 The previously loaded basis (last in memory) should be used.

Default value 1

Note This gets reset to the default value after optimization has started.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

KEEPMIPSOL

Description

Branch and Bound: The number of integer solutions to store. During a global search, any number of integer solutions may be found, which may or may not represent optimal solutions. See XPRSglobal (GLOBAL). Goal Programming: The number of partial solutions to store in the pre-emptive goal programming. Pre-emptive goal programming solves a sequence of problems giving a sequence of partial solutions. See XPRSgoal (GOAL). The stored solutions can only be accessed in a limited way see the notes below. An alternative method of storing multiple integer solutions from the Optimizer library (or Mosel) is to use an integer solution callback function to retrieve and store them - see XPRSsetcbintsol for details.

Type Integer

Values 1 store the best/final solution only.

n=2-11 store the *n* best/most recent solutions.

Default value

Note

Multiple solutions are kept by storing them on separate binary solution files. The best/final solution is stored on the default solution file, probname.sol, as usual. The next best solution (if found) is stored on a solution file named probname.sol, the next best on probname.sol, and so on up to probname.sol, or until there are no further solutions. The only function able to access the multiple solution files is XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) - refer to its "e" flag. It is also possible to use other functions that access the solution from the solution file by renaming a particular stored solution file, e.g., probname.sol, to the default solution file probname.sol before using the function. A list of functions that may be used to access the solution from the solution file may be found under the SOLUTIONFILE control.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), XPRSgoal (GOAL).

See also XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) with its e flag; XPRSsetcbintsol.

KEEPNROWS

Description Status for nonbinding rows.

Type Integer

Values −1 Delete N type rows from the matrix.

Delete elements from N type rows leaving empty N type rows in the matrix.

1 Keep N type rows.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal,

XPRSloadqp.

L1CACHE

Description

Newton barrier: L1 cache size in kB (kilo bytes) of the CPU. On Intel (or compatible) platforms a value of -1 may be used to determine the cache size automatically.

Default value Hardware/platform dependent.

Note Specifying the correct L1 cache size can give a significant performance advantage

with the Newton barrier algorithm.

If the size is unknown, it is better to specify a smaller size.

If the size cannot be determined automatically on Intel (or compatible) platforms, a

default size of 8 kB is assumed.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

LINELENGTH

Description Maximum line length for LP files.

Type Integer

Default value 512

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB)

LNPBEST

Description Number of infeasible global entities to create lift-and-project cuts for during each

round of Gomory cuts at the top node (see GOMCUTS).

Type Integer

Default value 50

Affects routines XPRSglobal.

LNPITERLIMIT

Description Number of iterations to perform in improving each lift-and-project cut.

Type Integer

Default value 10

Note By setting the number to zero a Gomory cut will be created instead.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

LPITERLIMIT

Description Simplex: The maximum number of iterations that will be performed before the opti-

mization process terminates. For MIP problems, this is the maximum total number of

iterations over all nodes explored by the Branch and Bound method.

Default value 2147483645

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

LPLOG

Description Simplex: The frequency at which the simplex log is printed.

Type Integer

Values n < 0 Detailed output every -*n* iterations.

O Log displayed at the end of the optimization only.

n>0 Summary output every n iterations.

Default value 100

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also A.8.

MARKOWITZTOL

Description The Markowitz tolerance used for the factorization of the basis matrix.

Type Double

Default value 0.01

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

MATRIXTOL

Description The zero tolerance on matrix elements. If the value of a matrix element is less than

or equal to MATRIXTOL in absolute value, it is treated as zero.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-09

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB), XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal,

XPRSloadqp, XPRSalter (ALTER), XPRSaddcols, XPRSaddcuts, XPRSaddrows,

XPRSchgcoef, XPRSchgmcoef, XPRSstorecuts.

MAXCUTTIME

Description The maximum amount of time allowed for generation of cutting planes and reopti-

mization. The limit is checked during generation and no further cuts are added once

this limit has been exceeded.

Values 0 No time limit.

n>0 Stop cut generation after *n* seconds.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSqlobal (GLOBAL).

MAXIIS

Description This function controls the number of Irreducible Infeasible Sets to be found using the

XPRSiisall (IIS -a).

Type Integer

Values -1 Search for all IIS.

0 Do not search for IIS.n>0 Search for the first n IIS.

Default value -1

Note The function XPRSiisnext is not affected.

Affects routines XPRSiisall (IIS -a).

MAXMIPSOL

Description Branch and Bound: This specifies a limit on the number of integer solutions to be

found by the Optimizer before it pauses and asks whether or not to continue. It is possible that during optimization the Optimizer will find the same objective solution from different nodes. However, MAXMIPSOL refers to the total number of integer solutions found, and not necessarily the number of distinct solutions.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

MAXNODE

Description Branch and Bound: The maximum number of nodes that will be explored before the

Optimizer pauses and asks whether or not to continue.

Type Integer

Default value 100000000

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

MAXPAGELINES

Description Number of lines between page breaks in printable output.

Type Integer

Default value 23

Affects routines XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL), XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE).

MAXTIME

Description The maximum time in seconds that the Optimizer will run before it terminates, in-

cluding the problem setup time and solution time. For MIP problems, this is the total

time taken to solve all the nodes.

Type Integer

Values 0 No time limit.

n>0 If an integer solution has been found, stop MIP search after n seconds, oth-

erwise continue until an integer solution is finally found.

n<0 Stop in LP or MIP search after *n* seconds.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

MIPABSCUTOFF

Description Branch and Bound: If the user knows that they are interested only in values of

the objective function which are better than some value, this can be assigned to MIPABSCUTOFF. This allows the Optimizer to ignore solving any nodes which may yield worse objective values, saving solution time. When a MIP solution is found a new cut off value is calculated and the value can be obtained from the CURRMIPCUTOFF attribute. The value of CURRMIPCUTOFF is calculated using the MIPRELCUTOFF and

MIPADDCUTOFF controls.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E+40 (for minimization problems); -1.0E+40 (for maximization problems).

Note MIPABSCUTOFF can also be used to stop the dual algorithm.

Affects routines XPRSqlobal (GLOBAL), XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also MIPRELCUTOFF, MIPADDCUTOFF.

MIPABSSTOP

Description Branch and Bound: The absolute tolerance determining whether the global search

will continue or not. It will terminate if

|MIPOBJVAL - BESTBOUND| \leq MIPABSSTOP

where MIPOBJVAL is the value of the best solution's objective function, and BESTBOUND is the current best solution bound. For example, to stop the global search when a MIP solution has been found and the Optimizer can guarantee it is within 100 of the op-

timal solution, set MIPABSSTOP to 100.

Double Type

Default value 0.0

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPRELSTOP, MIPADDCUTOFF.

MIPADDCUTOFF

Description Branch and Bound: The amount to add to the objective function of the best integer

solution found to give the new CURRMIPCUTOFF. Once an integer solution has been found whose objective function is equal to or better than CURRMIPCUTOFF, improvements on this value may not be interesting unless they are better by at least a certain amount. If MIPADDCUTOFF is nonzero, it will be added to CURRMIPCUTOFF each time an integer solution is found which is better than this new value. This cuts off sections of the tree whose solutions would not represent substantial improvements in the objective function, saving processor time. The control MIPABSSTOP provides a similar

function but works in a different way.

Type Double

Default value -1.0E-05

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPRELCUTOFF, MIPABSSTOP, MIPABSCUTOFF.

MIPLOG

Description Global print control.

Type Integer

Values Print out summary log at each n^{th} node. -n

> No printout in global. 0

Only print out summary statement at the end. 1

2 Print out detailed log at all solutions found.

Print out detailed log at each node. 3

Default value -100

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also A.9.

MIPPRESOLVE

Description Branch and Bound: Type of integer processing to be performed. If set to 0, no pro-

cessing will be performed.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

> Reduced cost fixing will be performed at each node. This can simplify the node before it is solved, by deducing that certain variables' values can be fixed based on additional bounds imposed on other variables at this node.

- Logical preprocessing will be performed at each node. This is performed 1 on binary variables, often resulting in fixing their values based on the constraints. This greatly simplifies the problem and may even determine optimality or infeasibility of the node before the simplex method commences.
- [Unused] This bit is no longer used to control probing. Refer to the integer 2 control PREPROBING for setting probing level during presolve.
- If node preprocessing is allowed to change bounds on continuous columns. 3

Default value -1

Note If the user has not set MIPPRESOLVE then its value is determined automatically af-

ter presolve (in the XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM) call) according to the

properties of the matrix.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also 5.2, PRESOLVE, PRESOLVEOPS, PREPROBING.

MIPRELCUTOFF

Description Branch and Bound: Percentage of the LP solution value to be added to the value

> of the objective function when an integer solution is found, to give the new value of CURRMIPCUTOFF. The effect is to cut off the search in parts of the tree whose best possible objective function would not be substantially better than the current solution. The control MIPRELSTOP provides a similar functionality but works in a

different way.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-04

XPRSglobal (GLOBAL). Affects routines

See also MIPABSCUTOFF, MIPADDCUTOFF, MIPRELSTOP.

MIPRELSTOP

Description Branch and Bound: This determines whether or not the global search will terminate.

Essentially it will stop if:

MIPOBJVAL - BESTBOUND ≤ MIPRELSTOP X BESTBOUND

where MIPOBJVAL is the value of the best solution's objective function and BESTBOUND

is the current best solution bound. For example, to stop the global search when a MIP solution has been found and the Optimizer can guarantee it is within 5% of the optimal solution, set MIPRELSTOP to 0.05.

Type Double

Default value 0.0001

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPABSSTOP, MIPRELCUTOFF.

MIPTARGET

Description Branch and Bound: The target object function for the global search (only used by

certain node selection criteria). This is set automatically after an LP optimization

routine, unless it was previously set by the user.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E+40

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also BACKTRACK.

MIPTHREADS

Description Branch and Bound: The number of threads implemented to run the parallel MIP code.

This is usually set to the number of processors when running Parallel Xpress-MP on a

single multi-processor machine.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Note The value of MIPTHREADS depends on the user's authorization. If it is set to a value

higher than that specified by the licence, then it will be reset by the Optimizer immediately prior to optimization. Obtaining its value after the optimization will give an

indication of how many processors were actually used.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SHAREMATRIX.

MIPTOL

Description Branch and Bound: This is the tolerance within which a decision variable's value is

considered to be integral.

Type Double

Default value 5.0E-06

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

MPS18COMPATIBLE

Description If set to 0, the MPS writer creates an output that is compatible with version 18 (i.e.

skips writing sections introduced in later releases).

Type Integer

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSwriteprob (WRITE PROB)

MPSBOUNDNAME

Description The bound name sought in the MPS file. As with all string controls, this is of length

64 characters plus a null terminator, \0.

Type String

Default value 64 blanks

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MPSECHO

Description Determines whether comments in MPS matrix files are to be printed out during matrix

input.

Type Integer

Values 0 MPS comments are *not* to be echoed.

1 MPS comments are to be echoed.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MPSFORMAT

Description Specifies the format of MPS files.

Type Integer

Values -1 To determine the file type automatically.

For fixed format.

1 If MPS files are assumed to be in free format by input.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSalter (ALTER), XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS), XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MPSNAMELENGTH

Description The maximum length (in 8 character units) of row and column names in the matrix.

Type Integer

Default value 8

Note MPSNAMELENGTH must not be set to more than 64 characters.

Affects routines XPRSaddnames, XPRSqetnames, XPRSreadprob (READPROB)

MPSOBJNAME

Description The objective function name sought in the MPS file. As with all string controls, this is

of length 64 characters plus a null terminator, \0.

Type String

Default value 64 blanks

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MPSRANGENAME

Description The range name sought in the MPS file. As with all string controls, this is of length 64

characters plus a null terminator, \0.

Type String

Default value 64 blanks

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MPSRHSNAME

Description The right hand side name sought in the MPS file. As with all string controls, this is of

length 64 characters plus a null terminator, \0.

Type String

Default value 64 blanks

Affects routines XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

MUTEXCALLBACKS

Description Branch and Bound: This determines whether the callback routines are mutexed from

within the optimizer.

Type Integer

Values 0 Callbacks are not mutexed.

Callbacks are mutexed.

Default value 1

Note If the users' callbacks take a significant amount of time it may be preferable not

to mutex the callbacks. In this case the user must ensure that their callbacks are

threadsafe.

Affects routines XPRSsetcbchqbranchXPRSsetcbchqnode,

XPRSsetcbinfnode, XPRSsetcbintsol,

XPRSsetcbprenode.

XPRSsetcboptnode, XPRSsetcbnodecutoff,

NODESELECTION

Description Branch and Bound: This determines which nodes will be considered for solution once

the current node has been solved.

Type Integer

Values 1 Local first: Choose between descendant and sibling nodes if available; choose

from all outstanding nodes otherwise.

2 Best first: Choose from all outstanding nodes.

3 Local depth first: Choose between descendant and sibling nodes if available;

choose from the deepest nodes otherwise.

Best first, then local first: Best first is used for the first BREADTHFIRST nodes,

after which local first is used.

5 Pure depth first: Choose from the deepest outstanding nodes.

Default value Dependent on the matrix characteristics.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

OPTIMALITYTOL

Description Simplex: This is the zero tolerance for reduced costs. On each iteration, the simplex

method searches for a variable to enter the basis which has a negative reduced cost. The candidates are only those variables which have reduced costs less than the nega-

tive value of OPTIMALITYTOL.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-06

Affects routines XPRSgetinfeas, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

OUTPUTLOG

Description This controls the level of output produced by the Optimizer during optimization.

Output is sent to the screen (stdout) by default, but may be intercepted by a user function using the user output callback; see XPRSsetcbmessage. However, under Windows, no output from the Optimizer DLL is sent to the screen. The user must define a callback function and print messages to the screen them self if they wish

output to be displayed.

Type Integer

Values 0 Turn all output off.

1 Print all messages.

3 Print error and warning messages.

4 Print error messages only.

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSsetcbmessage, XPRSsetlogfile.

OUTPUTMASK

Description Mask to restrict the row and column names written to file. As with all string controls,

this is of length 64 characters plus a null terminator, $\setminus 0$.

Type String

Default value 64 '?'s

Affects routines XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL).

OUTPUTTOL

Description Zero tolerance on print values.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-05

Affects routines XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE), XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL),

XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL).

PENALTY

Description Minimum absolute penalty variable coefficient. BIGM and PENALTY are set by the

input routine (XPRSreadprob (READPROB)) but may be reset by the user prior to

XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

Type Double

Default value Dependent on the matrix characteristics.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

PERTURB

Description The factor by which the problem will be perturbed prior to optimization if the control

AUTOPERTURB has been set to 1. A value of 0.0 results in an automatically deter-

mined perturbation value.

Type Double

Default value 0.0 — perturbation value is determined automatically by default.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

PIVOTTOL

Description Simplex: The zero tolerance for matrix elements. On each iteration, the simplex

method seeks a nonzero matrix element to pivot on. Any element with absolute

value less than PIVOTTOL is treated as zero for this purpose.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-09

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSpivot.

PPFACTOR

Description The partial pricing candidate list sizing parameter.

Type Double

Default value 1.0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

PREPROBING

Description Amount of probing to perform on binary variables during presolve. This is done by

fixing a binary to each of its values in turn and analyzing the implications.

Type Integer

Values -1 Let the optimizer decide on the amount of probing.

O Disabled.

+1 Light probing - only few implications will be examined.

+2 Full probing - all implications for all binaries will be examined.

+3 Full probing and repeat as long as the problem is significantly reduced.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also PRESOLVE.

PRESOLVE

Description This control determines whether presolving should be performed prior to starting the

main algorithm. Presolve attempts to simplify the problem by detecting and removing redundant constraints, tightening variable bounds, etc. In some cases, infeasibility

may even be determined at this stage, or the optimal solution found.

Type Integer

Values -1 Presolve applied, but a problem will not be declared infeasible if primal in-

feasibilities are detected. The problem will be solved by the LP optimization algorithm, returning an infeasible solution, which can sometimes be helpful.

O Presolve not applied.

1 Presolve applied.

2 Presolve applied, but redundant bounds are not removed. This can some-

times increase the efficiency of the barrier algorithm.

Default value 1

Note Memory for presolve is dynamically resized. If the Optimizer runs out of memory for

presolve, an error message (245) is produced.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also 5.2, PRESOLVEOPS.

PRESOLVEOPS

Description This specifies the operations which are performed during the presolve.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Singleton column removal.

1 Singleton row removal.

2 Forcing row removal.

3 **Dual reductions.**

4 Redundant row removal.

5 **Duplicate column removal.**

6 Duplicate row removal.

7 Strong dual reductions.8 Variable eliminations.

9 No IP reductions.

10 No semi-continuous variable detection.

11 No advanced IP reductions.

14 Linearly dependant row removal.

No integer variable and SOS detection.

Default value 511 (bits 0 — 8 incl. are set)

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSpresolverow.

See also 5.2, PRESOLVE, MIPPRESOLVE.

PRICINGALG

Description Simplex: This determines the primal simplex pricing method. It is used to select which

variable enters the basis on each iteration. In general Devex pricing requires more time on each iteration, but may reduce the total number of iterations, whereas partial

pricing saves time on each iteration, but may result in more iterations.

Type Integer

Values −1 Partial pricing.

0 Determined automatically.

1 Devex pricing.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also DUALGRADIENT.

PRIMALOPS

Description Primal simplex: allows fine tuning the variable selection in the primal simplex solver.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

Use aggressive dj scaling.Conventional dj scaling.

2 Use reluctant switching back to partial pricing.

3 Use dynamic switching between cheap and expensive pricing strategies.

Default value -1

Note If both bits 0 and 1 are both set or unset then the dj scaling strategy is determined

automatically.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also PRICINGALG.

PRIMALUNSHIFT

Description Determines whether primal is allowed to call dual to unshift.

Type Integer

Values 0 Allow the dual algorithm to be used to unshift.

Don't allow the dual algorithm to be used to unshift.

Default value 0

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also PRIMALOPS, PRICINGALG, DUALSTRATEGY.

PROBNAME

Description The current problem name

Type String

Affects routines XPRSgetprobname, XPRSsetprobname

PSEUDOCOST

Description Branch and Bound: The default pseudo cost used in estimation of the degradation

associated with an unexplored node in the tree search. A pseudo cost is associated with each integer decision variable and is an estimate of the amount by which the objective function will be worse if that variable is forced to an integral value.

Type Double

Default value 0.01

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), XPRSreaddirs (READDIRS).

REFACTOR

Description Indicates whether the optimization should restart using the current representation of

the factorization in memory.

Type Integer

Values 0 Do not refactor on reoptimizing.

1 Refactor on reoptimizing.

Default value 0 — for the global search. 1 — for reoptimizing.

Note In the tree search, the optimal bases at the nodes are not refactorized by default, but

the optimal basis for an LP problem will be refactorized. If you are repeatedly solving

LPs with few changes then it is more efficient to set REFACTOR to 0.

Affects routines XPRSqlobal (GLOBAL), XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

RELPIVOTTOL

Description Simplex: At each iteration a pivot element is chosen within a given column of the

matrix. The relative pivot tolerance, RELPIVOTTOL, is the size of the element chosen

relative to the largest possible pivot element in the same column.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-06

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSpivot.

ROOTPRESOLVE

Description Determines if presolving should be performed on the problem after the global search

has finished with root cutting and heuristics.

Type Integer

Values -1 Let the optimizer decide if the problem should be presolved again.

O Disabled.

+1 Always presolve the root problem.

Default value −1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also PRESOLVE.

SBBEST

Description Number of infeasible global entities on which to perform strong branching.

Type Integer

Values -1 determined automatically.

0 disable strong branching.

n>0 perform strong branching on n entities at each node.

Default value -1

Note The two recommended settings for this control are -1 (automatic) and 0 (disabled).

Positive values normally result in an excessive amount of strong branching (and thus

time) at each node. Setting SBBEST=0 will turn strong branch off.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SBITERLIMIT, SBSELECT.

SBEFFORT

Description Adjusts the overall amount of effort when using strong branching to select an infea-

sible global entity to branch on.

Type Double

Default value 1.0

Note SBEFFORT is used as a multiplier on other strong branching related controls, and

affects the values used for SBBEST, SBSELECT and SBITERLIMIT when those are set

to automatic.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SBBEST, SBITERLIMIT, SBSELECT.

SBESTIMATE

Description Choose the estimate to be used to select candidates for strong branching.

Type Integer

Values -1 Automatically determined.

1-4 Different variants of local pseudo costs.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SBBEST, SBITERLIMIT, SBSELECT.

SBITERLIMIT

Description Number of dual iterations to perform the strong branching for each entity.

Type Integer

Default value -1 — determined automatically.

Note This control can be useful to increase or decrease the amount of effort (and thus

time) spent performing strong branching at each node. Setting SBITERLIMIT=0 will disable dual strong branch iterations. Instead, the entity at the head of the candidate

list will be selected for branching.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SBBEST, SBSELECT.

SBSELECT

Description The size of the candidate list of global entities for strong branching.

Type Integer

Values −2 Automatic (low effort).

-1 Automatic (high effort).

n>=0 Include n entities in the candidate list (but always at least SBBEST candi-

dates).

Default value -2

Note Before strong branching is applied on a node of the branch and bound tree, a list of

candidates is selected among the infeasible global entities. These entities are then evaluated based on the local LP solution and prioritized. Strong branching will then be applied to the SBBEST candidates. The evaluation is potentially expensive and for some problems it might improve performance if the size of the candidate list is

reduced.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also SBBEST, SBEFFORT, SBESTIMATE.

SCALING

Description This determines how the Optimizer will rescale a model internally before optimiza-

tion. If set to 0, no scaling will take place.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

Row scaling.Column scaling.

2 Row scaling again.

3 Maximum.

4 Curtis-Reid.

5 0: scale by geometric mean.1: scale by maximum element.

7 Objective function scaling.

8 Exclude the quadratic part of constraint when calculating scaling factors.

Default value 163

Affects routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob

(READPROB), XPRSscale (SCALE).

See also 3.4.

SHAREMATRIX

Description This determines whether the matrix is shared by the parallel MIP.

Values 0 Matrix is not shared.

Matrix is shared.

Default value 0

Note If the matrix is shared then cuts will not be generated in the tree. However, sharing

the matrix will save memory.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPTHREADS

SOLUTIONFILE

Description

The SOLUTIONFILE control is deprecated and will be removed in version 18. Binary solution files are no longer created automatically and it is now necessary to explicitly create a binary solution file with the XPRSwritebinsol (WRITEBINSOL) command. The XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) and PRINTSOL commands will write or print reports for the solution in memory. To write a report on a solution in binary solution file, the solution must first be loaded with the XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL) command. The XPRSgetbasis, XPRSgetinfeas and XPRSgetlpsol commands all obtain information from the solution in memory. To obtain information on a solution in binary solution file, the solution must first be loaded with the XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL) command.

The XPRSgetsol function is deprecated and will be removed in version 18. Users should use the XPRSgetlpsol function to get the current LP solution and XPRSgetmipsol function to get the last found MIP solution. The XPRSgetlpsol will read the current LP solution from memory and the XPRSgetmipsol will read the current MIP solution from memory.

Type Integer

Values

- The binary file is not created. The XPRSgetsol function will return the LP solution until the MIP search starts at which point the last found MIP solution will be returned.
- The binary file is not created. The XPRSgetsol function will return the current solution in memory.
- The binary solution file will be created and used to store the final LP solution, or, if a MIP solution has been found, the best known MIP solution. The solution is written to the file by the XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM) and XPRSglobal (GLOBAL) functions. The binary solution file will remain after the Optimizer has finished.

Default value -1

Affects routines

XPRSfixglobal (FIXGLOBAL), XPRSgetbasis, XPRSgetinfeas, XPRSgetsol, XPRSglobal (GLOBAL), XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL), XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL).

SOSREFTOL

Description

The minimum relative gap between the ordering values of elements in a special ordered set. The gap divided by the absolute value of the larger of the two adjacent values must be less than SOSREFTOL.

Type Double

Default value 1.0E-06

Note This tolerance must not be set lower than 1.0E-06.

Affects routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgglobal, XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

TEMPBOUNDS

Description Simplex: Specifies whether temporary bounds should be placed on unbounded vari-

ables when optimizing with the dual algorithm. The temporary bounds allow the dual algorithm to start from a dual feasible starting point and can speed up the optimization time. The temporary bounds are removed during the optimization process.

Type Integer

Values −1 Determine automatically.

O Don't use temporary bounds.

1 Use temporary bounds.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

TRACE

Description Display the infeasibility diagnosis during presolve. If non-zero, an explanation of the

logical deductions made by presolve to deduce infeasibility or unboundedness will be

displayed on screen or sent to the message callback function.

Type Integer

Default value 0

Note Presolve is sometimes able to detect infeasibility and unboundedness in problems.

The set of deductions made by presolve can allow the user to diagnose the cause of infeasibility or unboundedness in their problem. However, not all infeasibility or

unboundedness can be detected and diagnosed in this way.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

TREECOVERCUTS

Description Branch and Bound: The number of rounds of lifted cover inequalities generated

at nodes other than the top node in the tree. Compare with the description for

COVERCUTS.

Type Integer

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

TREECUTSELECT

Description A bit vector providing detailed control of the cuts created during the tree search of a

global solve. Use CUTSELECT to control cuts on the root node.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

5 Clique cuts.

6 Mixed Integer Rounding (MIR) cuts.

7 Lifted cover cuts.
11 Flow path cuts.
12 Implication cuts.

13 Turn on automatic Lift-and-Project cutting strategy.

Disable cutting from cut rows.

15 Lifted GUB cover cuts.

Default value 59135

Note The default value is -1 which enables all bits. Any bits not listed in the above table

should be left in their default 'on' state, since the interpretation of such bits might

change in future versions of the optimizer.

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also COVERCUTS, GOMCUTS, CUTSELECT.

TREEGOMCUTS

Description Branch and Bound: The number of rounds of Gomory cuts generated at nodes other

than the first node in the tree. Compare with the description for GOMCUTS.

Type Integer

Default value 1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

USECROSSOVERDRP

Description Newton barrier: This control determines whether in the cross-over procedure, the

optimizer should dynamically try to reduce the perturbation in the crossover working

problem.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Perform it once before crossover.

1 Perform it inside crossover.

2 More aggressive reductions before crossover.

Default value 5 (bit 0 and bit 2 are set)

Note The control CROSSOVER determines whether the crossover procedure is performed

after barrier.

Affects routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

VARSELECTION

Description

Branch and Bound: This determines the formula used to calculate the estimate of each integer variable, and thus which integer variable is selected to be branched on at a given node. The variable selected to be branched on is the one with the minimum estimate. The variable estimates are also combined to calculate the overall estimate of the node, which, depending on the BACKTRACK setting, may be used to choose between outstanding nodes.

Type Integer

Values

- -1 Determined automatically.
- 1 The minimum of the 'up' and 'down' pseudo costs.
- The 'up' pseudo cost plus the 'down' pseudo cost.
- The maximum of the 'up' and 'down' pseudo costs, plus twice the minimum of the 'up' and 'down' pseudo costs.
- The maximum of the 'up' and 'down' pseudo costs.
- 5 The 'down' pseudo cost.
- 6 The 'up' pseudo cost.

Default value -1

Affects routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

VERSION

Description The Optimizer version number, e.g. 1301 meaning release 13.01.

Type Integer

Default value Software version dependent

Chapter 8

Problem Attributes

During the optimization process, various properties of the problem being solved are stored and made available to users of the Xpress-MP Libraries in the form of *problem attributes*. These can be accessed in much the same manner as for the controls. Examples of problem attributes include the sizes of arrays, for which library users may need to allocate space before the arrays themselves are retrieved. A full list of the attributes available and their types may be found in this chapter.

8.1 Retrieving Problem Attributes

Library users are provided with the following three functions for obtaining the values of attributes:

```
XPRSgetintattrib XPRSgetdblattrib XPRSgetstrattrib
```

Much as for the controls previously, it should be noted that the attributes as listed in this chapter *must* be prefixed with XPRS_ to be used with the Xpress-MP Libraries and failure to do so will result in an error. An example of their usage is the following which returns and prints the optimal value of the objective function after the linear problem has been solved:

```
XPRSgetdblattrib(prob, XPRS_LPOBJVAL, & amp;lpobjval);
printf("The objective value is %2.1f\n", lpobjval);
```

ACTIVENODES

Description Number of outstanding nodes.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSdelnode, XPRSglobal, XPRSinitglobal.

BARAASIZE

Description Number of nonzeros in AA^T .

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARCROSSOVER

Description Indicates whether or not the basis crossover phase has been entered.

Type Integer

Values 0 the crossover phase has not been entered.

the crossover phase has been entered.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARDENSECOL

Description Number of dense columns found in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARDUALINF

Description Sum of the dual infeasibilities for the Newton barrier algorithm.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARDUALOBJ

Description Dual objective value calculated by the Newton barrier algorithm.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARITER

Description Number of Newton barrier iterations.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARLSIZE

Description Number of nonzeros in L resulting from the Cholesky factorization.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARPRIMALINF

Description Sum of the primal infeasibilities for the Newton barrier algorithm.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARPRIMALOBJ

Description Primal objective value calculated by the Newton barrier algorithm.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BARSTOP

Description Convergence criterion for the Newton barrier algorithm.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

BESTBOUND

Description Value of the best bound determined so far by the global search.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

BOUNDNAME

Description Active bound name.

Type String

Set by routines XPRSreadprob.

BRANCHVALUE

Description The value of the branching variable at a node of the Branch and Bound tree.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

BRANCHVAR

Description The branching variable at a node of the Branch and Bound tree.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

COLS

Description Number of columns (i.e. variables) in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of columns in

the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix then use the ORIGINALCOLS attribute instead. The PRESOLVESTATE attribute can be used to test

if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSmaxim

(MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSreadprob.

CURRMIPCUTOFF

Description The current MIP cut off.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

See also MIPABSCUTOFF.

CUTS

Description Number of cuts being added to the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSaddcuts, XPRSdelcpcuts, XPRSdelcuts, XPRSloadcuts,

XPRSloadmodelcuts.

DUALINFEAS

Description Number of dual infeasibilities.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of dual infeasi-

bilities in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE

attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also PRIMALINFEAS.

ELEMS

Description Number of matrix nonzeros (elements).

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of matrix nonze-

ros in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE attribute

can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSmaxim

(MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSreadprob.

ERRORCODE

Description The most recent Optimizer error number that occurred. This is useful to determine the

precise error or warning that has occurred, after an Optimizer function has signalled an error by returning a non-zero value. The return value itself is **not** the error number. Refer to the section 9.2 for a list of possible error numbers, the errors and warnings that they indicate, and advice on what they mean and how to resolve them. A short error message may be obtained using XPRSgetlasterror, and all messages may be intercepted using the user output callback function; see XPRSsetcbmessage.

Type Integer

Set by routines Any.

LPOBJVAL

Description Value of the objective function of the last LP solved.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal.

See also MIPOBJVAL, OBJRHS.

LPSTATUS

Description LP solution status.

Type Integer

Values 1 Optimal (XPRS_LP_OPTIMAL).

2 Infeasible (XPRS_LP_INFEAS).

3 Objective worse than cutoff (XPRS_LP_CUTOFF).

4 Unfinished (XPRS_LP_UNFINISHED).5 Unbounded (XPRS_LP_UNBOUNDED).

6 Cutoff in dual (XPRS_LP_CUTOFF_IN_DUAL).

Note The possible return values are defined as constants in the Optimizer C header file and

VB .bas file.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also MIPSTATUS.

MATRIXNAME

Description The matrix name.

Type String

Note This is the name read from the MATRIX field in an MPS matrix, and is not related to

the problem name used in the Optimizer. Use XPRSgetprobname to get the problem

name.

Set by routines XPRSreadprob, XPRSsetprobname.

MIPENTS

Description Number of global entities (i.e. binary, integer, semi-continuous, partial integer, and

semi-continuous integer variables) but excluding the number of special ordered sets.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of global entities

in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE attribute

can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSaddcols, XPRSchgcoltype, XPRSdelcols, XPRSloadglobal,

XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSreadprob.

See also SETS.

MIPINFEAS

Description Number of integer infeasibilities at the current node.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

See also PRIMALINFEAS.

MIPOBJVAL

Description Objective function value of the best integer solution found.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

See also LPOBJVAL.

MIPSOLNODE

Description Node at which the last integer feasible solution was found.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

MIPSOLS

Description Number of integer solutions that have been found.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

MIPSTATUS

Description Global (MIP) solution status.

Type Integer

Values XPRS_MIP_LP_OPTIMAL LP has been optimized. Once the MIP optimization proper

has begun, only the following four status codes will be returned.

XPRS MIP INFEAS Global search complete - no integer solution found.

 ${\tt XPRS_MIP_SOLUTION} \quad \textbf{Global search incomplete - an integer solution has been}$

found.

XPRS_MIP_OPTIMAL Global search complete - integer solution found.

XPRS_MIP_NO_SOL_FOUND Global search incomplete - no integer solution found.

XPRS_MIP_LP_NOT_OPTIMAL LP has not been optimized. XPRS_MIP_NOT_LOADED Problem has not been loaded.

Note If the XPRS_MIP_LP_OPTIMAL status code is returned, it implies that the optimization

halted during or directly after the LP optimization - for instance, if the LP relaxation is infeasible or unbounded. In this case please check the value of LP solution status

using LPSTATUS.

The possible return values are defined as constants in the Optimizer C header file and VB .bas file. Refer to one of those files for the value of the return codes listed above.

Set by routines XPRSqlobal, XPRSloadqlobal, XPRSloadqqlobal, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM),

XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSreadprob.

See also LPSTATUS.

MIPTHREADID

Description The ID for the MIP thread.

Type Integer

Note The first MIP thread has ID 0 and is the same as the main thread. All other threads

are new threads and are destroyed when the global search is halted.

Set by routines XPRSglobal.

See also MIPTHREADS.

NAMELENGTH

Description The length (in 8 character units) of row and column names in the matrix. To allocate

a character array to store names, you must allow 8*NAMELENGTH+1 characters per

name (the +1 allows for the string terminator character).

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

NLPHESSIANELEMS

Description The number of coefficients of the maximal possible Hessian in the NLP problem.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSinitializenlphessian, XPRSinitializenlphessian_indexpairs.

NODEDEPTH

Description Depth of the current node.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal, XPRSinitglobal.

NODES

Description Number of nodes solved so far in the global search. The node numbers start at 1 for

the first (top) node in the Branch and Bound tree. Nodes are numbered consecutively.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal, XPRSinitglobal.

NUMIIS

Description Number of IISs found.

Type Integer

Set by routines IIS, XPRSiisfirst, XPRSiisnext, XPRSiisall.

OBJNAME

Description Active objective function row name.

Type String

Set by routines XPRSreadprob.

OBJRHS

Description Fixed part of the objective function.

Type Double

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the fixed part of the objec-

tive in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The <u>PRESOLVESTATE</u> attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2. If an MPS file contains an objective function coefficient in the RHS then the negative of this will

become OBJRHS.

Set by routines XPRSchgobj.

See also LPOBJVAL.

OBJSENSE

Description Sense of the optimization being performed.

Type Double

Values −1.0 For maximization problems.

1.0 For minimization problems.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

ORIGINALCOLS

Description Number of columns (i.e. variables) in the original matrix before presolving.

Type Integer

Note If you require the value for the presolved matrix then use the COLS attribute.

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

ORIGINALROWS

Description Number of rows (i.e. constraints) in the original matrix before presolving.

Type Integer

Note If you require the value for the presolved matrix then use the ROWS attribute.

Set by routines XPRSaddrows, XPRSdelrows, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloaddp, XPRSloadgglobal,

XPRSloadlp, XPRSreadprob.

PARENTNODE

Description The parent node of the current node in the tree search.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSglobal, XPRSinitglobal.

PENALTYVALUE

Description The weighted sum of violations in the solution to the relaxed problem identified by

the infeasibility repair function.

Type Double

Set by routines XPRSrepairinfeas (REPAIRINFEAS), XPRSrepairweightedinfeas.

PRESOLVESTATE

Description Problem status as a bit map.

Type Integer

Values Bit Meaning

O Problem has been loaded.

1 Problem has been LP presolved.

2 Problem has been MIP presolved.

7 Solution in memory is valid.

Note Other bits are reserved.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

PRIMALINFEAS

Description Number of primal infeasibilities.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of primal infeasi-

bilities in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE

attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also SUMPRIMALINF, DUALINFEAS, MIPINFEAS.

QCELEMS

Description Number of quadratic row coefficients in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of quadratic

row coefficients in the presolved matrix.

Set by routines XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchggrowcoeff, XPRSgetgrowqmatrixtrplets,

XPRSloadqcqp.

QCONSTRAINTS

Description Number of rows with quadratic coefficients in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of rows with

quadratic coefficients in the presolved matrix.

Set by routines XPRSaddqmatrix, XPRSchgqrowcoeff, XPRSgetqrowqmatrixtrplets,

XPRSloadqcqp.

QELEMS

Description Number of quadratic elements in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of quadratic el-

ements in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE

attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSchgmqobj, XPRSchgqobj, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp.

RANGENAME

Description Active range name.

Type String

Set by routines XPRSreadprob.

RHSNAME

Description Active right hand side name.

Type String

Set by routines XPRSreadprob.

ROWS

Description Number of rows (i.e. constraints) in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of rows in

the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix then use the ORIGINALROWS attribute instead. The PRESOLVESTATE attribute can be used to test

if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSaddrows, XPRSdelrows, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal,

XPRSloadlp, XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSreadprob.

SIMPLEXITER

Description Number of simplex iterations performed.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

SETMEMBERS

Description Number of variables within special ordered sets (set members) in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of variables

within special ordered sets in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The **PRESOLVESTATE** attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See

also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSreadprob.

See also SETS.

SETS

Description Number of special ordered sets in the matrix.

Type Integer

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the number of special or-

dered sets in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The PRESOLVESTATE

attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgglobal, XPRSreadprob.

See also SETMEMBERS, MIPENTS.

SPARECOLS

Description Number of spare columns in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgp, XPRSreadprob.

SPAREELEMS

Description Number of spare matrix elements in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgp, XPRSloadgp, XPRSloadgp, XPRSloadgp.

SPAREMIPENTS

Description Number of spare global entities in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

SPAREROWS

Description Number of spare rows in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

SPARESETELEMS

Description Number of spare set elements in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadgp, XPRSreadprob.

SPARESETS

Description Number of spare sets in the matrix.

Type Integer

Set by routines XPRSloadglobal, XPRSloadlp, XPRSloadqglobal, XPRSloadqp, XPRSreadprob.

STOPSTATUS

Description Status of the optimization process.

Type Integer

Note Possible values are:

Value	Description
XPRS_STOP_TIMELIMIT	time limit hit
XPRS_STOP_CTRLC	control C hit
XPRS_STOP_NODELIMIT	node limit hit
XPRS_STOP_ITERLIMIT	iteration limit hit
VDDC CTOD MIDGAD	MID gap is sufficient

XPRS_STOP_MIPGAP MIP gap is sufficiently small

XPRS_STOP_SOLLIMIT solution limit hit XPRS_STOP_USER user interrupt.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM), XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).

SUMPRIMALINE

Description Scaled sum of primal infeasibilities.

Type Double

Note If the matrix is in a presolved state, this attribute returns the scaled sum of pri-

mal infeasibilities in the **presolved** matrix. If you require the value for the original matrix, make sure you obtain the value when the matrix is not presolved. The **PRESOLVESTATE** attribute can be used to test if the matrix is presolved or not. See

also 5.2.

Set by routines XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM).

See also PRIMALINFEAS.

Chapter 9

Return Codes and Error Messages

9.1 Optimizer Return Codes

The table below shows the possible return codes from the subroutine library functions. See also the **MIP Solution Pool Reference Manual** for MIP Solution Pool Errors.

Return Code	Description	
0	Subroutine completed successfully.	
1 ^a	Bad input encountered.	
2 ^a	Bad or corrupt file - unrecoverable.	
4 ^a	Memory error.	
8 ^a	Corrupt use.	
16 ^a	Program error.	
32	Subroutine not completed successfully, possibly due to invalid argument.	
128	Too many users.	
a - Unrecoverable error.		

When the Optimizer terminates after the STOP command, it may set an exit code that can be tested by the operating system or by the calling program. The exit code is set as follows:

Return Code	Description
0	Program terminated normally (with STOP).
63	LP optimization unfinished.
64	LP feasible and optimal.
65	LP infeasible.
66	LP unbounded.
67	IP optimal solution found.
68	IP search incomplete but an IP solution has been found.
69	IP search incomplete, no IP solution found.
70	IP infeasible.
99	LP optimization not started.

9.2 Optimizer Error and Warning Messages

Following a premature exit, the Optimizer can be interrogated as necessary to obtain more information about the specific error or warning which occurred. Library users may return a description of errors or warnings as they are encountered using the function XPRSgetlasterror.

This function returns information related to the error code, held in the problem attribute ERRORCODE. For Console users the value of this attribute is output to the screen as errors or warnings are encountered. For Library users it must be retrieved using:

```
XPRSgetintattrib(prob, XPRS_ERRORCODE, &errorcode);
```

The following list contains values of ERRORCODE and a possible resolution of the error or warning.

3 Extension not allowed - ignored.

The specified extension is not allowed. The Optimizer ignores the extension and truncates the filename.

4 Column <col> has no upper bound.

Column <col> cannot be at its upper bound in the supplied basis since it does not have one. A new basis will be created internally where column <col> will be at its lower bound while the rest of the columns and rows maintain their basic/non-basic status.

5 Error on .<ext> file.

An error has occurred on the . <ext> file. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space for the file and that it has not become corrupted.

6 No match for column <col> in matrix.

Column <col> has not been defined in the COLUMNS section of the matrix and cannot be used in subsequent sections. Please check that the spelling of <col> is correct and that it is not written outside the field reserved for column names.

7 Empty matrix. Please increase EXTRAROWS.

There are too few rows or columns. Please increase EXTRAROWS before input, or make sure there is at least one row in your matrix and try to read it again.

9 Error on read of basis file.

The basis file .BSS is corrupt. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space for the file and that it has not been corrupted.

11 Not allowed - solution not optimal.

The operation you are trying to perform is not allowed unless the solution is optimal. Please call XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) to optimize the problem and make sure the process is completed. If the control LPITERLIMIT has been set, make sure that the optimal solution can be found within the maximum number of iterations allowed.

18 Bound conflict for column <col>.

Specified upper bound for column <col> is smaller that the specified lower bound. Please change one or both bounds to solve the conflict and try again.

19 Eta overflow straight after invert - unrecoverable.

There is not enough memory for eta arrays. Either increase the virtual paging space or the physical memory.

20 Insufficient memory for array <array>.

There is not enough memory for an internal data structure. Either increase the virtual paging space or the physical memory.

21 Unidentified section The command is not recognized by the Optimizer.

Please check the spelling and try again. Please refer to the Reference Manual for a list of valid commands.

29 Input aborted.

Input has encountered too many problems in reading your matrix and it has been aborted. This message will be preceded by other error messages whose error numbers will give information about the nature of each of the problems. Please correct all errors and try again.

36 Linear Optimizer only: buy IP Optimizer from your vendor.

You are only authorized to use the Linear Optimizer. Please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading to the IP Optimizer if you wish to use this command.

38 Invalid option.

One of the options you have specified is incorrect. Please check the input option and retype the command. A list of valid options for each command can be found in 6.

41 Global error - contact the Xpress support team.

Internal error. Please contact your local support office.

45 Failure to open global file - aborting. (Perhaps disk is full).

Xpress-MP cannot open the .GLB file. This usually occurs when your disk is full. If this is not the case it means that the .GLB file has been corrupted.

50 Inconsistent basis.

Internal basis held in memory has been corrupted. Please contact your local support office.

52 Too many nonzero elements.

The number of matrix elements exceeds the maximum allowed. If you have the Hyper version then increase your virtual page space or physical memory. If you have purchased any other version of the software please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading if you wish to read matrices with this number of elements.

56 Reference row entries too close for set <set> member <col>.

The coefficient of column <col> in the constraint being used as reference row for set <set> is too close to the coefficient of some other column in the reference row. Please make sure the coefficients in the reference row differ enough from one another. One way of doing this is to create a non computational constraint (N type) that contains all the variables members of the set <set> and then assign coefficients whose distance from each other is of at least 1 unit.

58 Duplicate element for column <col> row <row>.

The coefficient for column <col> appears more than once in row <row>. The elements are added together but please make sure column <col> only has one coefficient in <row> to avoid this warning message.

61 Unexpected EOF on workfile.

An internal workfile has been corrupted. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space and try again. If the problem persists please contact your local support office.

64 Error closing file <file>.

Xpress-MP could not close file <file>. Please make sure that the file exists and that it is not being used by another application.

65 Fatal error on read from workfile <file> - program aborted.

An internal workfile has been corrupted. Please make sure that your disk has enough space and try again. If the problem persists please contact your local support office.

66 Unable to open file <file>.

Xpress-MP has failed to open the file <file>. Please make sure that the file exists and there is adequate disk space.

67 Error on read of file <file>.

Xpress-MP has failed to read the file <file>. Please make sure that the file exists and that it has not been corrupted.

71 Not a basic vector: <vector>.

Dual value of row or column <vector> cannot be analyzed because the vector is not basic.

72 Not a non-basic vector: <vector>.

Activity of row or column <vector> cannot be analyzed because the vector is basic.

73 Problem has too many rows. The maximum is <num>.

Xpress-MP cannot input your problem since the number of rows exceeds <num>, the maximum allowed. If you have purchased any other than the Hyper version of the software please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading it to solve larger problems.

76 Illegal priority: entity <ent> value <num>.

Entity <ent> has been assigned an invalid priority value of <num> in the directives files and this priority will be ignored. Please make sure that the priority value lies between 0 and 1000 and that it is written inside the corresponding field in the .DIR file.

77 Illegal set card <line>.

The set definition in line line > of the .MAT or .MPS file creates a conflict. Please make sure that the set has a correct type and has not been already defined. Please refer to the Reference Manual for a list of valid set types.

80 File creation error.

The Optimizer cannot create a file. Please make sure that these is adequate disk space and that the volume is not corrupt.

81 Fatal error on write to workfile <file> - program aborted.

The Optimizer cannot write to the file <file>. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space and that the volume is not corrupt.

83 Fatal error on write to file - program aborted.

The Optimizer cannot write to an internal file. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space and that the volume is not corrupt.

84 Input line too long. Maximum line length is <num>

A line in the .MAT or .MPS file has been found to be too long. Please reduce the length to be less or equal than <num> and input again.

85 File not found: <file>.

The Optimizer cannot find the file <file>. Please check the spelling and that the file exists. If this file has to be created by Xpress-MP make sure that the process which creates the file has been performed.

89 No optimization has been attempted.

The operation you are trying to perform is not allowed unless the solution is optimal. Please call XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) to optimize the problem and make sure the process is completed. If you have set the control

LPITERLIMIT make sure that the optimal solution can be found within the maximum number of iterations allowed.

91 No problem has been input.

An operation has been attempted that requires a problem to have been input. Please make sure that XPRSreadprob (READPROB) is called and that the problem has been loaded successfully before trying again.

97 Split vector <vector>.

The declaration of column <vector> in the <code>COLUMN</code> section of the <code>.MAT</code> or <code>.MPS</code> file must be done in contiguous line. It is not possible to interrupt the declaration of a column with lines corresponding to a different vector.

98 At line <num> no match for row <row>.

A non existing row <row> is being used at line number <num> of the .MAT or .MPS file. Please check spelling and make sure that <row> is defined in the ROWS section.

102 Eta file space exceeded - optimization aborted.

The Optimizer requires more memory. Please increase your virtual paging space or physical memory and try to optimize again.

107 Too many global entities at column <col>.

Xpress-MP cannot input your problem since the number of global entities exceeds the maximum allowed. If you have the Hyper version then increase your virtual page space or physical memory. If you have purchased any other version of the software please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading it to solve larger problems.

111 Duplicate row <row> - ignored.

Row <row> is used more than once in the same section. Only the first use is kept and subsequent ones are ignored.

112 Postoptimal analysis not permitted on presolved problems.

Re-optimize with PRESOLVE = 0. An operation has been attempted on the presolved problem. Please optimize again calling XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM) with the 1 flag or turning presolve off by setting PRESOLVE to 0.

113 Unable to restore version <ver> save files.

The svf file was created by a different version of the optimizer and cannot be restored with this version.

114 Fatal error - pool hash table full at vector <vector>.

Internal error. Please contact your local support office.

120 Problem has too many rows and columns. The maximum is <num>

Xpress-MP cannot input your problem since the number of rows plus columns exceeds the maximum allowed. If you have purchased any other than the Hyper version of the software please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading it to solver larger problems.

122 Corrupt solution file.

Solution file . SOL could not be accessed. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space and that the file is not being used by another process.

127 Not found: <vector>.

An attempt has been made to use a row or column <vector> that cannot be found in the problem. Please check spelling and try again.

128 Cannot load directives for problem with no global entities.

The problem does not have global entities and so directives cannot be loaded.

129 Access denied to problem state: '<name>' (<routine>).

The user is not licensed to have set or get access to problem control (or attribute) <name>. The routine used for access was <routine>.

130 Bound type illegal <type>.

Illegal bound type <type> has been used in the basis file .BSS. A new basis will be created internally where the column with the illegal bound type will be at its lower bound and the rest of the columns and rows will maintain their basic/non-basic status. Please check that you are using XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS) with the t flag to read compact format basis.

131 No column: <col>.

Column <col> used in basis file .BSS does not exist in the problem. A new basis will be created internally from where column <col> will have been removed and the rest of columns and rows will maintain their basic/non-basic status.

132 *No row: <row>.*

Row <row> used in basis file .BSS does not exist in the problem. A new basis will be created internally from where row <row> will have been removed and the rest of columns and rows will maintain their basic/non-basic status.

140 Basis lost - recovering.

The number of rows in the problem is not equal to the number of basic rows + columns in the problem, which means that the existing basis is no longer valid. This will be detected when re-optimizing a problem that has been altered in some way since it was last optimized (see below). A correct basis is generated automatically and no action needs to be taken. The basis can be lost in two ways: (1) if a row is deleted for which the slack is non-basic: the number of rows will decrease by one, but the number of basic rows + columns will be unchanged. (2) if a basic column is deleted: the number of basic rows + columns will decrease by one, but the number of rows will be unchanged. You can avoid losing the basis by only deleting rows for which the slack is basic, and columns which are non-basic. (The XPRSgetbasis function can be used to determine the basis status.) To delete a non-basic row without losing the basis, bring it into the basis first, and to delete a basic column without losing the basis, take it out of the basis first - the functions XPRSgetpivots and XPRSpivot may be useful here. However, remember that the message is only a warning and the Optimizer will generate a new basis automatically if necessary.

142 Type illegal <type>.

An illegal priority type <type> has been found in the directives file .DIR and will be ignored. Please refer to Appendix A for a description of valid priority types.

143 No entity <ent>.

Entity <ent> used in directives file .DIR cannot be found in the problem and its corresponding priority will be ignored. Please check spelling and that the column <ent> is actually declared as an entity in the BOUNDS section or is a set member.

151 Illegal MARKER.

The line marking the start of a set of integer columns or a set of columns belonging to a Special Ordered Set in the .MPS file is incorrect.

152 Unexpected EOF.

The Optimizer has found an unexpected EOF marker character. Please check that the input file is correct and input again.

153 Illegal card at line e>.

Line line of the .MPS file could not be interpreted. Please refer to the Reference
Manual for information about the valid MPS format.

155 Too many files open for reading: <file>.

The Optimizer cannot read from file <file> because there are too many files already open. Please close some files and try again.

156 Cannot access attribute '<id>' via control routine <routine>.

Attributes cannot be accessed from control access routines.

159 Failed to set default controls.

Attempt failed to set controls to their defaults.

164 Problem is not presolved.

Action requires problem to be presolved and the problem is not presolved.

167 Failed to allocate memory of size <bytes> bytes.

The optimizer failed to allocate required memory of size <bytes>.

168 Required resource not currently available: '<name>'.

The resource <name> is required by an action but is unavailable.

169 Failed to create resource: '<name>'.

The resource <name> failed to create.

170 Corrupt global file.

Global file .GLB cannot be accessed. Please make sure that there is adequate disk space and that the file is not being used by another process.

171 Invalid row type for row <row>.

XPRSalter (ALTER) cannot change the row type of <row> because the new type is invalid. Please correct and try again.

178 Not enough spare rows to remove all violations.

The Optimizer could not add more cuts to the matrix because there is not enough space. Please increase EXTRAROWS before input to improve performance.

179 Load MIP solution failed: '<status description>'.

Attempt failed to load MIP solution into the optimizer. See <status description» for details of the failure.

180 No change to this SSV allowed.

The Optimizer does not allow changes to this control. If you have the student version, please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading if you wish to change the value of controls. Otherwise check that the Optimizer was initialized properly and did not revert to student mode because of a security problem.

181 Cannot alter bound on BV, SC, UI, PI, or set member.

XPRSalter (ALTER) cannot be used to change the upper or lower bound of a variable if its variable type is binary, semi-continuous, integer, partial integer, semi-continuous integer, or if it is a set member.

186 Inconsistent number of variables in problem.

A compact format basis is being read into a problem with a different number of variables than the one for which the basis was created.

192 Bad flags <flag string>.

A flag string passed into a command line call is invalid.

193 Possible unexpected results from XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL): <message>.

A call to the XPRSreadbinsol (READBINSOL) may produce unexpected results. See <message> for details.

194 Failure writing to range file.

Failure writing to range file.

195 Cannot read LP solution into presolved problem.

An LP solution cannot be read into a problem in a presolved state.

243 The Xpress-Optimizer requires a newer version of the XPRL library.

You are using the XPRS library from one Xpress-MP distribution and the XPRS library from a previous Xpress-MP distribution. You should remove all other Xpress-MP distributions from your system library path environment variable.

245 Not enough memory to presolve matrix.

The Optimizer required more memory to presolve the matrix. Please increase your virtual paging space or physical memory. If this is not possible try setting PRESOLVE to 0 before optimizing, so that the presolve procedure is not performed.

247 Directive on non-global entity not allowed: <col>.

Column <col> used in directives file .DIR is not a global entity and its corresponding priority will be ignored. A variable is a 'global entity' it is type is not continuous or if it is a set member. Please refer to Appendix A for details about valid entities and set types.

249 Insufficient improvement found.

Insufficient improvement was found between barrier iterations which has caused the barrier algorithm to terminate.

250 Too many numerical errors.

Too many numerical errors have been encountered by the barrier algorithm and this has caused the barrier algorithm to terminate.

251 Out of memory.

There is not enough memory for the barrier algorithm to continue.

256 Simplex Optimizer only: buy barrier Optimizer from your vendor.

The Optimizer can only use the simplex algorithm. Please contact your local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to use this command.

259 Warning: The Q matrix may not be semi-definite.

The Q matrix must be positive (negative) semi-definite for a minimization (maximization) problem in order for the problem to be convex. The barrier algorithm has encountered numerical problems which indicate that the problem is not convex.

261 <ent> already declared as a global entity - old declaration ignored.

Entity <ent> has already been declared as global entity. The new declaration prevails and the old declaration prevails and the old declaration will be disregarded.

262 Unable to remove shift infeasibilities of &.

Perturbations to the right hand side of the constraints which have been applied to enable problem to be solved cannot be removed. It may be due to round off errors in the input data or to the problem being badly scaled.

263 The problem has been presolved.

The problem in memory is the presolved one. An operation has been attempted on the presolved problem. Please optimize again calling XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM) with the 1 flag or tuning presolve off by setting PRESOLVE to 0. If the operation does not need to be performed on an optimized problem just load the problem again.

264 Not enough spare matrix elements to remove all violations.

The Optimizer could not add more cuts to the matrix because there is not enough space. Please increase EXTRAELEMS before input to improve performance.

266 Cannot read basis for presolved problem. Re-input matrix.

The basis cannot be read because the problem in memory is the presolved one. Please reload the problem with XPRSreadprob (READPROB) and try to read the basis again.

268 Cannot perform operation on presolved matrix. Re-input matrix.

The problem in memory is the presolved one. Please reload the problem and try the operation again.

279 Xpress-MP has not been initialized.

The Optimizer could not be initialized successfully. Please initialize it before attempting any operation and try again.

285 Cut pool is full.

The Optimizer has run out of space to store cuts.

286 Cut pool is full.

The Optimizer has run our of space to store cuts.

287 Cannot read in directives after the problem has been presolved.

Directives cannot be read if the problem in memory is the presolved one. Please reload the problem and read the directives file .DIR before optimizing. Alternatively, reoptimize using the -1 flag or set PRESOLVE to 0 and try again.

302 Option must be C/c or O/o.

The only valid options for the type of goals are C, c, O and o. Any other answer will be ignored.

305 Row <row> (number <num>) is an N row.

Only restrictive rows, i.e. G, L, R or E type, can be used in this type of goal programming. Please choose goal programming for objective functions when using N rows as goals.

306 Option must be MAX/max or MIN/min.

The only valid options for the optimization sense are MAX, max, MIN and min. Any other answer will be ignored.

307 Option must be P/p or D/d.

The only valid options for the type of relaxation on a goal are P, p, D and d. Any other answer will be ignored.

308 Row <row> (number <num>) is an unbounded goal.

Goal programming has found goal <row> to be unbounded and it will stop at this point. All goals with a lower priority than <row> will be ignored.

309 Row <row> (number <num>) is not an N row.

Only ${\mathbb N}$ type rows can be selected as goals for this goal programming type. Please use goal programming for constraints when using rows whose type is not ${\mathbb N}$.

310 Option must be A/a or P/p.

The only valid options for the type of goal programming are A, a, P and p. Any other answer will be ignored.

314 Invalid number.

The input is not a number. Please check spelling and try again.

316 Not enough space to add deviational variables.

Increase EXTRACOLS before input. The Optimizer cannot find spare columns to spare deviational variables. Please try increasing EXTRACOLS before input to at least twice the number of constraint goals and try again.

318 Maximum number of allowed goals is 100.

Goal programming does not support more than 100 goals and will be interrupted.

319 No Xpress-Optimizer license found. Please contact your vendor to obtain a license.

Your license does not authorize the direct use of the Xpress-Optimizer solver. You probably have a license that authorizes other Xpress-MP products, for example Mosel or BCL.

320 This version is not authorized to run under Windows NT.

The Optimizer is not authorized to run under Windows NT. Please contact your local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to run it on this platform.

324 Not enough extra matrix elements to complete elimination phase.

Increase EXTRAPRESOLVE before input to improve performance. The elimination phase performed by the presolve procedure created extra matrix elements. If the number of such elements is larger than allowed by the EXTRAPRESOLVE parameter, the elimination phase will stop. Please increase EXTRAPRESOLVE before loading the problem to improve performance.

326 Linear Optimizer only: buy QP Optimizer from your vendor.

You are not authorized to use the Quadratic Programming Optimizer. Please contact your local sales office to discuss upgrading to the QP Optimizer if you wish to use this command.

352 Command not authorized in this version.

There has been an attempt to use a command for which your Optimizer is not authorized. Please contact your local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to use this command.

361 QMATRIX or QUADOBJ section must be after COLUMN section.

Error in matrix file. Please make sure that the QMATRIX or QUADOBJ sections are after the COLUMNS section and try again.

362 Duplicate elements not allowed in QUADOBJ section.

The coefficient of a column appears more than once in the QUADOBJ section. Please make sure all columns have only one coefficient in this section.

363 Quadratic matrix must be symmetric in QMATRIX section.

Only symmetric matrices can be input in the <code>QMATRIX</code> section of the <code>.MAT</code> or <code>.MPS</code> file. Please correct and try again.

364 Problem has too many QP matrix elements. Please increase M Q.

Problem cannot be read because there are too many quadratic elements. Please increase M_Q and try again.

366 Problems with Quadratic terms can only be solved with the barrier.

An attempt has been made to solve a quadratic problem using an algorithm other than the barrier. Please use XPRSmaxim (MAXIM), XPRSminim (MINIM) with the b flag to invoke the barrier solver.

368 QSECTION second element in line ignored: eline>.

The second element in line line> will be ignored.

381 Bug in lifting of cover inequalities.

Internal error. Please contact you local support office.

386 This version is not authorized to run Goal Programming.

The Optimizer you are using is not authorized to run Goal Programming. Please contact you local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to use this command.

390 Slave number < num> has failed - insufficient memory.

Process on slave <num> has been aborted because there is not enough memory. Please increase your virtual page space or physical memory and try again. The tasks of the failing slaves will be reallocated to the remaining slaves.

392 This version is not authorized to be called from BCL.

This version of the Optimizer cannot be called from the subroutine library BCL. Please contact your local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to run the Optimizer from BCL.

394 Fatal communications error.

There has been a communication error between the master and the slave processes. Please check the network and try again.

395 This version is not authorized to be called from the Optimizer library.

This version of the Optimizer cannot be called from the Optimizer library. Please contact your local sales office to upgrade your authorization if you wish to run the Optimizer using the libraries.

401 Invalid row type passed to <function>.

Elements <num> of your array has invalid row type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The row type corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid. Please refer to the section corresponding to function <function> in 6 for further information about the row types that can be used.

402 Invalid row number passed to <function>.

Row number <num> is invalid. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The row number corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid. Please make sure that the row numbers are not smaller than 0 and not larger than the total number of rows in the problem.

403 Invalid global entity passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid entity type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The column type <type> corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid for a global entity.

404 Invalid set type passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid set type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The set type <type> corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid for a set entity.

405 Invalid column number passed to <function>.

Column number <num> is invalid. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The column number corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid. Please make sure that the column numbers are not smaller than 0 and not larger than the total number of columns in the problem, COLS, minus 1. If the function being called is XPRSgetobj or XPRSchgobj a column number of -1 is valid and refers to the constant in the objective function.

406 Invalid row range passed to <function>.

Limit s out of range. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The row numbers lie between 0 and the total number of rows of the problem. Limit s outside this range and therefore is not valid.

407 Invalid column range passed to <function>.

Limit < lim> is out of range. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function < function>. The column numbers lie between 0 and the total number of columns of the problem. Limit < lim> is outside this range and therefore is not valid.

409 Invalid directive passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid directive <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The directive type <type> corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid. Please refer to the Reference Manual for a list of valid directive types.

410 Invalid row basis type passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid row basis type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The row basis type corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid.

411 Invalid column basis type passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid column basis type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The column basis type corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid.

412 Invalid parameter number passed to <function>.

Parameter number <num> is out of range. LP or MIP parameters and controls can be used in functions by passing the parameter or control name as the first argument or by passing an associated number. In this case number <num> is an invalid argument for function <function> because it does not correspond to an existing parameter or control. If you are passing a number as the first argument, please substitute it with the name of the parameter or control whose value you wish to set or get. If you are already passing the parameter or control name, please check 6 to make sure that is valid for function <function>.

413 Not enough spare rows in <function>.

Increase EXTRAROWS before input. There are not enough spare rows to complete function <function> successfully. Please increase EXTRAROWS before XPRS readprob (READPROB) and try again.

414 Not enough spare columns in <function>.

Increase EXTRACOLS before input. There are not enough spare columns to complete function <function> successfully. Please increase EXTRACOLS before XPRSreadprob (READPROB) and try again.

415 Not enough spare matrix elements in <function>.

Increase EXTRAELEMS before input. There are not enough spare matrix elements to complete function <function> successfully. Please increase EXTRAELEMS before XPRSreadprob (READPROB) and try again.

416 Invalid bound type passed to <function>.

Element <elem> of your array has invalid bound type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The bound type <type> of element number <num> of the array is invalid.

418 Invalid cut number passed to <function>.

Element <num1> of your array has invalid cut number <num2>. Element number <num1> of your array contains a cut which is not stored in the cut pool. Please check that <num2> is a valid cut number.

419 Not enough space to store cuts in <function>.

There is not enough space to complete function <function> successfully.

422 Solution is not available.

There is no solution available. This could be because the problem in memory has been changed or optimization has not been performed. Please optimize and try again.

423 Duplicate rows/columns passed to <function>.

Element <elem> of your array has duplicate row/col number <num>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The element number <elem> of the argument array is a row or column whose sequence number <num> is repeated.

424 Not enough space to store cuts in <function>.

There is not enough space to complete function <function> successfully.

425 Column already basic.

The column cannot be pivoted into the basis since it is already basic. Please make sure the variable is non-basic before pivoting it into the basis.

426 Column not eligible to leave basis.

The column cannot be chosen to leave the basis since it is already non-basic. Please make sure the variable is basic before forcing it to leave the basis.

427 Invalid column type passed to <function>.

Element <num> of your array has invalid column type <type>. There has been an error in one of the arguments of function <function>. The column type <type> corresponding to element <num> of the array is invalid.

429 No basis is available.

No basis is available.

430 Column types cannot be changed during the global search.

The Optimizer does not allow changes to the column type while the global search is in progress. Please call this function before starting the global search or after the global search has been completed. You can call XPRSmaxim (MAXIM) or XPRSminim (MINIM) with the 1 flag if you do not want to start the global search automatically after finding the LP solution of a problem with global entities.

433 Function can only be called from the global search.

The current function can only be called from the global search.

434 Invalid name passed to XPRSgetindex.

A name has been passed to XPRSgetindex which is not the name of a row or column in the matrix.

436 Cannot trace infeasibilities when integer presolve is turned on.

Try XPRSmaxim (XPRSmaxim) / XPRSminim (MINIM) with the 1 flag. Integer presolve can set upper or lower bounds imposed by the column type as well as those created by the interaction of the problem constraints. The infeasibility tracing facility can only explain infeasibilities due to problem constraints.

473 Row classification not available.

474 Column passed to <routine> has inconsistent bounds. See column <index> of <count>.

The bounds are inconsistent for column <index> of the <count> columns passed into routine <routine>.

475 Inconsistent bounds [<lb>,<ub>] for column <column name> in call to <routine>.

The lower bound <lb> is greater than the upper bound <ub> in the bound pair given for column <column name> passed into routine <routine>.

476 Unable to round bounds [<lb>,<ub>] for integral column <column name> in call to <routine>.

Either the lower bound <lb> is greater than the upper bound <ub> in the bound pair given for the integer column <column name> passed into routine <routine> or the interval defined by <lb> and <ub> does not contain an integer value.

501 Error at Empty file.

Read aborted. The Optimizer cannot read the problem because the file is empty.

502 Warning: 'min' or 'max' not found at line.col>. No objective assumed.

An objective function specifier has not been found at column <col>, line line > of the LP file. If you wish to specify an objective function please make sure that 'max', 'maximize', 'maximum', 'min', 'minimize' or 'minimum' appear.

503 Objective not correctly formed at e.col>. Aborting.

The Optimizer has aborted the reading of the problem because the objective specified at line < line > of the LP file is incorrect.

504 No keyword or empty problem at e.col>.

There is an error in column <col> at line line> of the LP file. Neither 'Subject to', 'subject to', 'subject to', 'subject to', 'subject to', 'such that' 's.t.', or 'st' can be found. Please correct and try again.

505 A keyword was expected at <line.col>.

A keyword was expected in column <col> at line line > pf the LP file. Please correct and try again.

506 The constraint at col> has no term.

A variable name is expected at line column <col>: either an invalid character (like '+' or a digit) was encountered or the identifier provided is unknown (new variable names are declared in constraint section only).

507 RHS at line.col> is not a constant number.

Line line> of the LP file will be ignored since the right hand side is not a constant.

508 The constraint at e has no term.

The LP file contains a constraint with no terms.

509 The type of the constraint at ensurement at specified.

The constraint defined in column <col> at line line > of the LP file is not a constant and will be ignored.

510 Upper bound at col> is not a numeric constant.

The upper bound declared in column <col> at line line> of the LP file is not a constant and will be ignored.

511 Bound at line.col> is not a numeric constant.

The bound declared in column <col> at line of the LP file is not a constant and will be ignored.

512 Unknown word starting with an 'f' at col>. Treated as 'free'.

A word staring with an 'f' and not know to Xpress-MP has been found in column <col> at line of the LP file. The word will be read into Xpress-MP as 'free'.

513 Wrong bound statement at e.col>.

The bound statement in column <col> at line line> is invalid and will be ignored.

514 Lower bound at line.col> is not a numeric constant. Treated as -inf.

The lower bound declared in column <col> at line line> of the LP file is not a constant. It will be translated into Xpress-MP as the lowest possible bound.

515 Sign '<' expected at e.col>.

A character other than the expected sign '<' has been found in column <col> at line of the LP file. This line will be ignored.

516 Problem has not been loaded.

The problem could not be loaded into Xpress-MP. Please check the other error messages appearing with this message for more information.

517 Row names have not been loaded.

The name of the rows could not be loaded into Xpress-MP. Please check the other error messages appearing with this message for more information.

518 Column names have not been loaded.

The name of the columns could not be loaded into Xpress-MP. Please check the other error messages appearing with this message for more information.

519 Not enough memory at e.col>.

The information in column <col> at line line> of the LP file cannot be read because all the allocated memory has already been used. Please increase your virtual page space or physical memory and try again.

520 Unexpected EOF at e.col>.

An unexpected EOF marker character has been found at line line> of the LP file and the loading of the problem into the Optimizer has been aborted. Please correct and try again.

521 Number expected for exponent at e.col>.

The entry in column <col> at line line> of the LP file is not a properly expressed real number and will be ignored.

522 Line line > too long (length>255).

Line line> of the LP file is too long and the loading of the problem into the Optimizer has been aborted. Please check that the length of the lines is less than 255 and try again.

523 Xpress-MP cannot reach line col>.

The reading of the LP file has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

524 Constraints could not be read into Xpress-MP. Error found at e.col>.

The reading of the LP constraints has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

525 Bounds could not be set into Xpress-MP. Error found at e.col>.

The setting of the LP bounds has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

526 LP problem could not be loaded into Xpress-MP. Error found at col>.

The reading of the LP file has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

527 Copying of rows unsuccessful.

The copying of the LP rows has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

528 Copying of columns unsuccessful.

The copying of the LP columns has failed due to an internal problem. Please contact your local support office immediately.

529 Redefinition of constraint at e.col>.

A constraint is redefined in column <col> at line <line> of the LP file. This repeated definition is ignored.

530 Name too long. Truncating it.

The LP file contains an identifier longer than 64 characters: it will be truncated to respect the maximum size.

531 Sign '>' expected here <line>.

A greater than sign was expected in the LP file.

532 Quadratic term expected here <pos>

The LP file reader expected to read a quadratic term at position <pos>: a variable name and '2' or the product of two variables. Please check the quadratic part of the objective in the LP file.

533 Wrong exponent value. Treated as 2 <pos>

The LP file reader encountered an exponent different than 2 at position <pos>. Such exponents are automatically replaced by 2.

552 'S1|2:' expected here. Skipping <pos>

Unknown set type read while reading the LP file at position <pos>. Please use set type 'S1' or 'S2'.

553 This set has no member. Ignoring it <pos>

An empty set encountered while reading the LP file at position <pos>. The set has been ignored.

554 Weight expected here. Skipping <pos>

A missing weight encountered while reading sets in the LP file at position <pos>. Please check definitions of the sets in the file.

555 Can not presolve cut with PRESOLVEOPS bits 0, 5 or 8 set or bit 11 cleared.

Can not presolve cut with PRESOLVEOPS bits 0, 5 or 8 set or bit 11 cleared.

No cuts can be presolved if the following presolve options are turned on:

bit 0: singleton column removal,

bit 5: duplicate column removal,

bit 8: variable eliminations

or if the option

bit 11: No advanced IP reductions is turned off. Please check the presolve settings.

557 Integer solution is not available

Failed to retrieve an integer solution because no integer solution has been identified yet.

558 Column <col> duplicated in basis file - new entry ignored.

Column <col> is defined in the basis file more than once. Any repeated definitions are ignored.

559 The old feature <feature> is no longer supported

The feature <feature> is no longer supported and has been removed. Please contact Xpress support for help about replacement functionality.

606 Failed to parse list of diving heuristic strategies at position <pos>

Invalid diving heuristic strategy number provided in position <pos> of the string controls HEURDIVEUSE or HEURDIVETEST. Please check control HEURDIVESTRATEGY for valid strategy numbers.

706 Not enough memory to add sets.

Insufficient memory while allocating memory for the new sets. Please free up some memory, and try again.

707 Function can not be called during the global search

The function being called cannot be used during the global search. Please call the function before starting the global search.

708 Invalid input passed to <function>

Must specify mstart or mnel when creating matrix with columns

No column information is available when calling function <function>. If no columns were meant to be passed to the function, then please set the column number to zero. Note, that mstart and mnel should be set up for empty columns as well.

710 MIPTOL <val1> must not be less than FEASTOL <val2>

The integer tolerance MIPTOL (val1) should not be set tighter than the feasibility tolerance FEASTOL (val2). Please increase MIPTOL or decrease FEASTOL.

711 MIPTOL <val1> must not be less than FEASTOL <val2>. Adjusting MIPTOL

The integer tolerance MIPTOL (val1) must not be tighter than the feasibility tolerance FEASTOL (val2). The value of MIPTOL has been increased to (val2) for the global search.

713 < row/column> index out of bounds calling < function>. < index1> is '<' or '>' < bound> An index is out of its bounds when calling function < function>. Please check the indices.

714 Delayed rows not supported by the parallel solver. Disabling parallel.

Delayed rows is not supported by the parallel solver. The parallel feature has been disabled.

715 Invalid objective sense passed to <function>. Must be XPRS_OBJ_MINIMIZE or XPRS_-OBJ_MAXIMIZE.

Invalid objective sense was passed to function <function>. Please use either XPRS_-OBJ MINIMIZE or XPRS OBJ MAXIMIZE.

716 Invalid names type passed to XPRSgetnamelist.

Type code <num> is unrecognized.

An invalid name type was passed to XPRSgetnamelist.

721 No IIS has been identified yet

No irreducible infeasible set (IIS) has been found yet. Before running the function, please use IIS -f, IIS -n or IIS -a to identify an IIS.

722 IIS number < num> is not yet identified

Irreducible infeasible set (IIS) with number <num> is not available. The number <num> stands for the ordinal number of the IIS. The value of <num> should not be larger than NUMIIS.

723 Unable to create an IIS subproblem

The irreducible infeasible set (IIS) procedure is unable to create the IIS approximation. Please check that there is enough free memory.

724 Error while optimizing the IIS subproblem

An error occurred while minimizing an irreducible infeasible set (IIS) subproblem. Please check the return code set by the optimizer.

725 Problems with variables for which shift infeasibilities cannot be removed are considered infeasible in the IIS

The irreducible infeasible set (IIS) subproblem being solved by the IIS procedure is on the boundary of being feasible or infeasible. For problems that are only very slightly infeasible, the optimizer applies a technique called infeasibility shifting to produce a solution. Such solutions are considered feasible, although if solved as a separate problem, a warning message is given. For consistency reasons however, in the case of the IIS procedure such problems are treated as being infeasible.

726 This function is not valid for the IIS approximation. Please specify an IIS with count number > 0

Irreducible infeasible set (IIS) number 0 (the ordinal number of the IIS) refers to the IIS approximation, but the functionality called is not available for the IIS approximation. Please use an IIS number between 1 and NUMIIS.

727 Bound conflict on column <col>; IIS will not continue

There is a bound conflict on column <col>. Please check the bounds on the column, and remove any conflicts before running the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) procedure again (bound conflicts are trivial IISs by themselves).

728 Unknown file type specification <type>

Unknown file type was passed to the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) subproblem writer. Please refer to XPRSiiswrite for the valid file types.

729 Writing the IIS failed

Failed to write the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) subproblem or the comma separated file (.csv) containing the IIS information to disk. Please check access permissions.

730 Failed to retrieve data for IIS < num>

The irreducible infeasible set (IIS) procedure failed to retrieve the internal description for IIS number <num>. This may be an internal error, please contact your local support office.

731 IIS stability error: reduced or modified problem appears feasible

Some problems are on the boundary of being feasible or infeasible. For such problems, it may happen that the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) working problem becomes feasible unexpectedly. If the problem persists, please contact your local support office.

732 Unknown parameter or wrong parameter combination

The wrong parameter or parameter combination was used when calling the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) console command. Please refer to the IIS command documentation for possible combinations.

733 Filename parameter missing

No filename is provided for the IIS - w or IIS - e console command. Please provide a file name that should contain the irreducible infeasible set (IIS) information.

734 Problem data relevant to IISs is changed

This failure is due to the problem being changed between iterative calls to IIS functions. Please start the IIS analysis from the beginning.

735 IIS function aborted

The irreducible infeasible set (IIS) procedure was aborted by either hitting CRTL-C or by reaching a time limit.

736 Initial infeasible subproblem is not available. Run IIS -f to set it up

The initial infeasible subproblem requested is not available. Please use the IIS -f function to generate it.

733 There were <num> ambiguous duals or reduces costs while setting up the initial subproblem

Some (<num>) of the dual values and reduced costs of the initial infeasible subproblem seem to contradict the type of the corresponding constraint or bound. Such duals and reduced costs have a very small absolute value and are likely to be present if the optimizer used the so called shifting infeasibilities technique while trying to generate a feasible solution. These ambiguities are automatically resolved while generating the irreducible infeasible sets (IIS).

738 The approximation may be inaccurate. Please use IIS or IIS -n instead.

The irreducible infeasible set (IIS) procedure was run with the option of generating the approximation of an IIS only. However, ambiguous duals or reduces costs are present in the initial infeasible subproblem. This message is always preceded by warning 737. Please continue with generating IISs to resolve the ambiguities.

739 Bound conflict on column <col>; Repairinfeas will not continue

There is a bound conflict on column <col>. Please check the bounds on the column, and remove any conflicts before running the repairinfeas procedure again (bound conflicts are trivial causes of infeasibility).

740 Unable to create relaxed problem

The optimizer is unable to create the relaxed problem. The relaxed problem may require significantly more memory than the base problem if many of the preferences are set to a positive value. Please check that there is enough free memory.

741 Relaxed problem is infeasible. Please increase freedom by introducing new nonzero preferences

The relaxed problem remains infeasible. Zero preference values indicate constraints (or bounds) that will not be relaxed. Try introducing new nonzero preferences to allow the problem to become feasible.

742 Repairinfeas stability error: relaxed problem is infeasible. You may want to increase the value of delta

The relaxed problem is reported to be infeasible by the optimizer in the second phase of the repairinfeas procedure. Try increasing the value of the parameter delta to improve stability.

743 Optimization aborted, repairinfeas unfinished

The optimization was aborted by CTRL-C or by hitting a time limit. The relaxed solution is not available.

744 Optimization aborted, MIP solution may be nonoptimal

The MIP optimization was aborted by either CTRL-C or by hitting a time limit. The relaxed solution may not be optimal.

745 Optimization of the relaxed problem is nonoptimal

The relaxed solution may not be optimal due to early termination.

746 All preferences are zero, infeasrepair will not continue Use options -a -b -r -1bp -ubp -1rp or -grp to add nonzero preferences

Zero preference values indicate constraints (or bounds) that will not be relaxed. In case when all preferences are zero, the problem cannot be relaxed at all. Try introducing nonzero preferences and run repairinfeas again.

748 Negative preference given for a <sense> bound on <row/column> <name>

A negative preference value is set for constraint or bound <name>. Preference values should be nonnegative. The preferences describe the modeler's willingness to relax a given constraint or bound, with zero preferences interpreted as the corresponding constraints or bounds not being allowed to be relaxed. Please provide a zero preference if the constraint or bound is not meant to be relaxed. Also note, that very small preferences lead to very large penalty values, and thus may increase the numerical difficulty of the problem.

749 Relaxed problem is infeasible due to cutoff

A user defined cutoff value makes the relaxed problem infeasible. Please check the cutoff value.

750 Empty matrix file: <name>

The MPS file <name> is empty. Please check the name of the file and the file itself.

751 Invalid column marker type found : <text>

The marker type <text> is not supported by the MPS reader. Please refer to the Appendix A.2 for supported marker types.

752 Invalid floating point value: <text>

The reader is unable to interpret the string <text> as a numerical value.

753 < num> lines ignored

The MPS reader has ignored <num> number of lines. This may happen for example if an unidentified section was found (in which case warning 785 is also invoked).

754 Insufficient memory

Insufficient memory was available while reading in an MPS file.

755 Column name is missing

A column name field was expected while reading an mps file. Please add a column name to the row. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please check that the name field contains a column name, and is positioned correctly.

756 Row name is missing in section OBJNAME

No row name is provided in the <code>OBJNAME</code> section. If no user defined objective name is provided, the reader uses the first neutral row (if any) as the objective row. However, to avoid ambiguity, if no user defined objective row was meant to be supplied, then please exclude the <code>OBJNAME</code> section from the MPS file.

757 Missing objective sense in section OBJSENSE

No objective sense is provided in section <code>OBJSENSE</code>. If no user defined objective sense is provided, the reader sets the objective sense to minimization by default. However, to avoid ambiguity, if no user defined objective sense was meant to be supplied, then please exclude the <code>OBJSENSE</code> section from the MPS file.

758 No SETS and SOS sections are allowed in the same file

The optimizer expects special order sets to be defined in the SETS section. However, for compatibility considerations, the optimizer can also interpret the SOS section. The two formats differ only in syntax, and feature the same expressive power. Both a SETS and a SOS section are not expected to be present in the same matrix file.

759 File not in fixed format: <file>

The optimzier control MPSFORMAT was set to 0 to indicate that the mps file <file> being read is in fixed format, but it violates the MPS field specifications.

760 Objective row <row> defined in section OBJNAME or in MPSOBJNAME was not found

The user supplied objective row <row> is not found in the MPS file. If the MPS file contains an <code>OBJNAME</code> section please check the row name provided, otherwise please check the value of the control <code>MPSOBJNAME</code>.

761 Problem name is not provided

The NAME section is present in the MPS file, but contains no problem name (not even blanks), and the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) preventing the reader to look for the problem name in the next line. Please make sure that a problem name is present, or if it's positioned in the next line (in which case the first column in the line should be a whitespace) then please set MPSFORMAT to 1 (free format) or -1 (autodetect format).

762 Missing problem name in section NAME

Unexpected end of file while looking for the problem name in section NAME. The file is likely to be corrupted. Please check the file.

763 Ignoring range value for free row: <row>

A range value is defined for free row <row>. Range values have no effect on free rows. Please make sure that the type of the row in the ROWS section and the row name in the RANGE section are both correct.

764 <sec> section is not yet supported in an MPS file, skipping section

The section <sec> is not allowed in an MPS file. Sections like "SOLUTION" and "BASIS" must appear in separate ".slx" and ".bas" files.

765 Ignoring repeated specification for column: <col>

Column <col> is defined more than once in the MPS file. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Please make sure to use unique column names. If the column names are unique, then please make sure that the COLUMNS section is organized in a contiguous order.

766 Ignoring repeated coefficients for row <row> found in RANGE <range>

The range value for row <row> in range vector <range> in the RANGE section is defined more than once. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Please make sure that the row names in the RANGE section are correct.

767 Ignoring repeated coefficients for row <row> found in RHS <rhs>

The value for row <row> in right hand side vector <rhs> is defined more than once in the RHS section. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Please make sure that the row names in the RHS section are correct.

768 Ignoring repeated specification for row: lt;rowgt;

Row <row> is defined more than once in the MPS file. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Please make sure to use unique row names.

769 Ignoring repeated specification for set: <set>

Set <set> is defined more than once in the MPS file. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Please make sure to use unique set names.

770 Missing prerequisite section <sec1> for section <sec2>

Section <sec2> must be defined before section <sec1> in the MPS file being read. Please check the order of the sections.

771 Unable to open file : <file>

Please make sure that file <file> exists and is not locked.

772 Unexpected column type: <type>: <column>

The COLUMNS section contains the unknown column type <type>. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please make sure that the type of the column is correct and positioned properly.

773 Unexpected number of fields in section : <sec>

Unexpected number of fields was read by the reader in section <sec>. Please check the format of the line. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please make sure that the fields are positioned correctly. This error is often caused by names containing spaces in free format, or by name containing spaces in fixed format but positioned incorrectly.

774 Unexpected row type: <type>

The ROWS section contains the unknown row type <type>. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please make sure that the type of the row is correct and positioned properly.

775 Unexpected set type: <type>

The SETS or SOS section contains the unknown set type <type>. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please make sure that the type of the row is correct and positioned properly.

776 Ignoring unknown column name <col> found in BOUNDS

Column <col> found in the BOUNDS section is not defined in the COLUMNS section. Please check the name of the column.

777 Ignoring quadratic coefficient for unknown column : <col>

Column <col> found in the QUADOBJ section is not defined in the COLUMNS section. Please check the name of the column.

778 Ignoring unknown column name <col> found in set <set>

Column <col> found in the definition of set <set> in the SETS or SOS section is not defined in the COLUMNS section. Please check the name of the column.

779 Wrong objective sense: <sense>

The reader is unable to interpret the string <sense> in the OBJSENSE section as a valid objective sense. The objective sense should be either MAXIMIZE or MINIMIZE. The reader accepts substrings of these if they uniquely define the objective sense and are at least 3 characters long. Note that if no OBJSENSE section is present, the sense of the objective is set to minimization by default. Please provide a valid objective sense.

780 Ignoring unknown row name <row> found in column <column>

Row <row> found in the column <column> in the COLUMNS section is not defined in the ROWS section. Please check the name of the row.

781 Ignoring unknown row name <row> found in RANGE

Row <row> found in the RANGE section is not defined in the ROWS section. Please check the name of the row.

782 Ignoring unknown row name <row> found in RHS

Row <row> found in the RHS section is not defined in the ROWS section. Please check the name of the row.

783 Expecting numerical value

A numerical value field was expected while reading an MPS file. Please add the missing numerical entry. If the MPSFORMAT control is set to 0 (fixed format) then please check that the value field contains a numerical value and is positioned correctly.

784 Null char in text file

A null char (' \setminus 0') encountered in the MPS file. An MPS file is designed to be a text file and a null char indicates possible errors. Null chars are treated as spaces ' ' by the reader, but please check the origin of the null char.

785 Unrecognized section <sec> skipped

The section <sec> is not recognized as an MPS section. Please check the section identifier string in the MPS file. In such cases, the reader skips the whole section and continues reading.

786 Variable fixed above infinite tolerance limit <tol>. Bound ignored

A variable is marked as fixed in the MPS above (its absolute value) the tolerance limit of <tol>. The bound is ignored. Please check the bound and either remove it, or scale the corresponding column. Note that values close to the tolerance are accepted but may introduce numerical difficulties while solving the problem.

787 Empty set: <set>

No set members are defined for set <set> in the MPS file. Please check if the set is empty by intention.

788 Repeated definition of section <sec> ignored

Section <sec> is defined more than once in the mps file. Any repeated definitions are ignored. Many sections may include various versions of the described part if the problem (like different RHS values, BOUNDS or RANGES), but please include those in the same section.

789 Empty basis file: <file>

The basis file <file> is empty. Please check the file and the file name.

790 Wrong section in the basis file: <section>

Unrecognized section <section> found in the basis file. Please check the format of the file.

791 ENDATA is missing. File is possibly corrupted

The ENDATA section is missing from the end of the file. This possible indicates that part of the file is missing. Please check the file.

792 Ignoring BS field

BS fields are not supported by the optimizer, and are ignored. Basis files containing BS fields may be created by external software. Please convert BS fields to either XU or XL fields.

793 Superbasic variable outside bounds. Value moved to closest bound

A superbasic variable in the basis file are outside its bounds. The value of the variable has been modified to satisfy its bounds. Please check that the value in the basis file is correct. In case the variable should be set to the value given by the basis file, please modify the bounds on the variable.

794 Value of fixed binary column <col> changed to <val>

The lower and upper bound for binary variable <col> was to <val>. Binaries may only be fixed at level 0 or 1.

795 Xpress-MP extensions: number of opening and closing brackets mismatch

The LP file appears to be created by MOSEL, using the Xpress-MPS MOSEL extensions to include variable names with whitespaces, however the file seems to be borken due to a mismatch in opening and closing brackets.

796 Char <c> is not supported in a name by file format. It may not be possible to read such files back correctly. Please set FORCEOUTPUT to 1 to write the file anyway, or use scrambled names.

Certain names in the problem object may be incompatible with different file formats (like names containing spaces for LP files). If the optimizer might be unable to read back a problem because of non-standard names, it will give an error message and won't create the file. However, you may force output using control FORCEOUTPUT or change the names by using scrambled names (-s option for XPRSwriteprob).

797 Wrong section in the solution file: <sec>

Section <sec> is not supported in .slx MPS solution files.

798 Empty <type> file : <file>

File <file> of type <type> is empty.

799 Ignoring quadratic coefficients for unknown row name <row>

No row with name <row> was defined in the ROWS sections. All rows having a QCMATRIX section must be defined as a row with type 'L' or 'G' in the ROWS section.

843 Delayed row (lazy constraint) <row> is not allowed to be of type 'N'. Row ignored

Delayed rows cannot be neutral. Please define all neutral rows as ordinary ones in the ROWS section.

844 Section synonims DELAYEDROWS and LAZYCONS are not allowed in the same file

The keywords DELAYEDROWS and LAZYCONS are used as synonims. To avoid ambigiuity, it is not allowed to used both of them in the same MPS file.

845 No rows specified before delayed rows (lazy constrains)

A problem is not allowed to consists only from delayed rows (lazy constraints) and model cuts (user cuts).

846 Definition of delayed rows (lazy constrains) should preceed the COLUMNS section

The COLUMNS section must appear after the ROWS, DELAYEDROWS (LAZYCONS) and MODELCUTS (USERCUTS) sections.

847 Model cut (user cut) <row> is not allowed to be of type 'N'. Row ignored

Model cuts cannot be neutral. Please define all neutral rows as ordinary ones in the ROWS section.

848 Section synonims MODELCUTS and USERCUTS are not allowed in the same file

The keywords MODELCUTS and USERCUTS are used as synonims. To avoid ambigiuity, it is not allowed to used both of them in the same MPS file.

849 No rows specified before model cuts (user cuts)

A problem is not allowed to consists only from delayed rows (lazy constraints) and model cuts (user cuts).

850 Definition of model cuts (user cuts) should preceed the COLUMNS section

The COLUMNS section must appear after the ROWS, DELAYEDROWS (LAZYCONS) and MODELCUTS (USERCUTS) sections.

861 Function <func> is currently not supported for QCQP problems

The current version of XPRESS does not yet support mixed integer quadratically constraint problems, or quadratically constraint problems with a nonlinear objective function. The function <func> cannot be used here.

862 Quadratic constraint rows must be of type 'L' or 'G'. Wrong row type for row <row>

All quadratic rows must be of type 'L' or 'G' in the ROWS section of the MPS file (and the corresponding quadratic matrix be positive semi-definite).

863 The current version of XPRESS does not yet support MIQCQP problems

The current version of XPRESS does not yet support mixed integer quadratically constraint problems.

864 Quadratic constraint rows must be of type 'L' or 'G'. Wrong row type for row <row>

A library function was trying to define (or change to) a row with type ' \bot ' having quadratic coefficients. All quadratic rows are required to be fo type ' \bot ' (and the corresponding quadratic matrix be positive semi-definite).

865 Row <row> is already quadratic

Cannot add quadratic constraint matrices together. To change an already existing matrix, either use the XPRSchgqrowcoeff library function, or delete the old matrix first.

866 The divider of the quadratic objective at <pos> must be 2 or ommited

The LP file format expects, tough may be ommited, an "/2" after the each quadratic objective term defined between square brackets. No other divider is accepted. The role of the "/2" is to notify the user of the implied division in the quadratic objective (that does not apply to quadratic constraints).

867 Not enough memory for tree search

There is not enough memory for one of the nodes in the tree search.

889 Presolve detects indefinite Q matrix or nonconvexity in the QCQP problem

All quadratic matrices in the quadratic constraints must be positive semi-definite.

893 The mstart array is invalid at column <pos>: <col>

The mstart array is expected to be monotonically increasing, starting from the value of control CSTYLE.

894 The mcol array is invalid at column <pos>: <col>

The mcol array is expected to define a lower triangular matrix and may not define repeated coefficients when defining the maximal Hessian for an NLP problem. Because the Hessian user callback will expect the same order as is defined by the function giving this error message, the optimizer does not attempt to correct any inconsistancies in the input data, but gives an error message if any is detected.

895 Incomplete NLP user function setup: <missing call>

The NLP callaback <missing call> was not defined, or the maximal Hessian has not yet set up by calling one of the NLP initialization fucntions. See 2.6 for more information.

896 The current version of XPRESS does not yet supprt NLP problems with <type> side constraints

The current version of XPRESS does not yet support mixed integer problems with a non-linear objective function, or quadratically constrainted problems with a nonlinear objective

897 Cannot set quadratic objective information for NLP problems. Please use the NLP callbacks

It is not allowed to try setting quadratic objective information for NLP problems. Please use the NLP Hessian and NLP gradient callbacks to include quadratic information into your problem. Also note that effect of the linear part shall be included in the NLP gradient callback. See 2.6 for more information.

898 Cannot define range for quadratic rows. Range for row <row> ignored

Quadratic constraints are required to be convex, and thus it is not allowed to set a range on quadratic rows. Each quadratic row should have a type of 'L' or 'G'.

899 The quadratic objective is not convex. Set IFCHECKCONVEXITY=0 to disable check

The quadratic objective is not convex. Please check that the proper sense of optimization (minimization or maximization) is used.

900 The quadratic part of row <row> defines a noncovex region. Set IFCHECKCONVEXITY=0 to disable check.

The quadratic in <row> is not convex. Please check that the proper sense of constraint is defined (less or equal or greater or equal constraint).

1001 Solution value redefined for column: <col>: <val1> -> <val2>

Multiple definition of variable <col> is not allowed. Please use separate SOLUTION sections to define multiple solutions.

1002 Missing solution values in section <sec>. Only <val1> of <val2> defined

Not all values were defined in the SOLUTIONS section. Varaibles with undefiend values are set to 0.

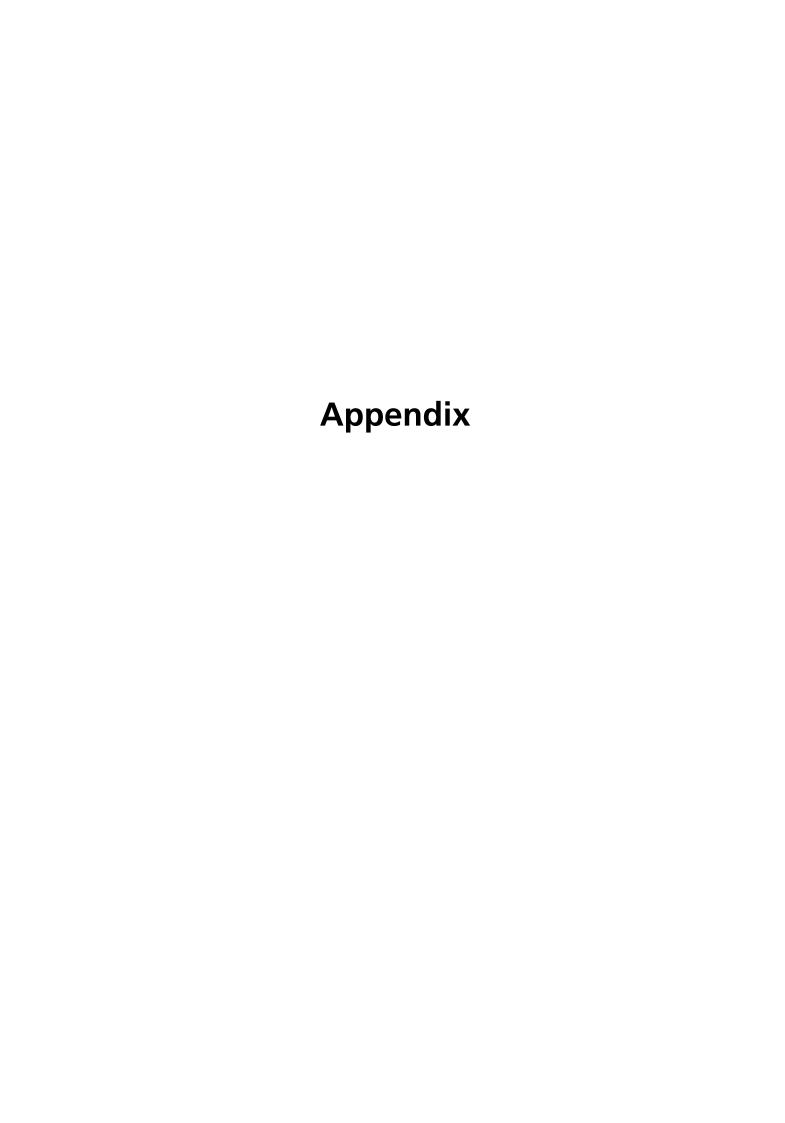
1003 Please postsolve the problem first with XPRSpostsolve (postsolve) first.

Not all values were defined in the ${\tt SOLUTIONS}$ section. Varaibles with undefiend values are set to 0.

1004 Negative semi-continuous lower bound (<val>) for column <col> replaced with zero

Wrong input parameter for the lower bound of a semi-continuous variable was modified to 0.

1005	Unrecognized column name : <col/>
	No column with name <col/> is present in the problem object while loading solution



Appendix A

Log and File Formats

A.1 File Types

The Optimizer generates or inputs a number of files of various types as part of the solution process. By default these all take file names governed by the problem name (*problem_name*), but distinguished by their three letter extension. The file types associated with the Optimizer are as follows:

Extension	Description	File Type
.alt	Matrix alteration file, input by XPRSalter (ALTER).	ASCII
.asc	CSV format solution file, output by XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL).	ASCII
.bss	Basis file, output by XPRSwritebasis (WRITEBASIS), input by XPRSreadbasis (READBASIS).	ASCII
.CSV	Output file, output by XPRSiiswrite.	ASCII
.dir	Directives file (MIP only), input by XPRSreaddirs (READDIRS).	ASCII
.glb	Global file (MIP only), used by XPRSglobal (GLOBAL).	Binary
.gol	Goal programming input file, input by XPRS goal (GOAL).	ASCII
.grp	Goal programming output file, output by XPRS goal (GOAL).	ASCII
.hdr	Solution header file, output by XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) and XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE).	ASCII
.lp	LP format matrix file, input by XPRSreadprob (READPROB).	ASCII
.mat	MPS / XMPS format matrix file, input by XPRSreadprob (READPROB).	ASCII
.prt	Fixed format solution file, output by XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL).	ASCII
.rng	Range file, output by XPRSrange (RANGE).	Binary
.rrt	Fixed format range file, output by XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE).	ASCII
.rsc	CSV format range file, output by XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE).	ASCII
.sol	Solution file created by XPRSwritebinsol (WRITEBINSOL).	Binary
.svf	Optimizer state file, output by XPRSsave (SAVE), input by XPRSrestore (RESTORE).	Binary

In the following sections we describe the formats for a number of these.

Note that CSV stands for comma-separated-values text file format.

A.2 XMPS Matrix Files

The Xpress-MP Optimizer accepts matrix files in LP or MPS format, and an extension of this, XMPS format. In that the latter represents a slight modification of the industry-standard, we provide details of it here.

XMPS format defines the following fields:

Field	1	2	3	4	5	6
Columns	2-3	5-12	15-22	25-36	40-47	50-61

The following sections are defined:

NAME	the matrix name;
ROWS	introduces the rows;
COLUMNS	introduces the columns;
QUADOBJ / QMATRIX	introduces a quadratic objective function;
QCMATRIX	introduces the quadratic constraints;
DELAYEDROWS	introduces the delayed rows;
MODELCUTS	introduces the model cuts;
SETS	introduces SOS definitions;
RHS	introduces the right hand side(s);
RANGES	introduces the row ranges;
BOUNDS	introduces the bounds;
ENDATA	signals the end of the matrix.

All section definitions start in column 1.

A.2.1 NAME section

Format:	Cols 1-4	Field 3
	NAME	model_name

A.2.2 ROWS section

Format:	Cols 1-4	
	ROWS	

followed by row definitions in the format:

Field 1	Field 2		
type	row_name		

The row types (Field 1) are:

- N unconstrained (for objective functions);
- L less than or equal to;
- G greater than or equal to;
- E equality.

A.2.3 COLUMNS section

Format:	Cols 1-7	
	COLUMNS	

followed by columns in the matrix in column order, i.e. all entries for one column must finish before those for another column start, where:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5	Field 6
blank	col	row1	value1	row2	value2

specifies an entry of *value1* in column *col* and row *row1* (and *value2* in *col* and row *row2*). The Field 5/Field 6 pair is optional.

A.2.4 QUADOBJ / QMATRIX section (Quadratic Programming only)

A quadratic objective function can be specified in an MPS file by including a QUADOBJ or QMATRIX section. For fixed format XMPS files, the section format is as follows:

Format:	Cols 1-7		
	QUADOBJ		
•			
or			
Format:	Cols 1-7		
	QMATRIX		

followed by a description of the quadratic terms. For each quadratic term, we have:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4
blank	col1	col2	value
piank	COLL	COIZ	value

where col1 is the first variable in the quadratic term, col2 is the second variable and value is the associated coefficient from the Q matrix. In the QMATRIX section all nonzero Q elements must be specified. In the QUADOBJ section only the nonzero elements in the upper (or lower) triangular part of Q should be specified. In the QMATRIX section the user must ensure that the Q matrix is symmetric, whereas in the QUADOBJ section the symmetry of Q is assumed and the missing part is generated automatically.

Note that the Q matrix has an implicit factors of 0.5 when included in the objective function. This means, for instance that an objective function of the form

$$5x^2 + 7xy + 9y^2$$

is represented in a QUADOBJ section as:

DBJ	
X	10
У	7
У	18
	х

(The additional term 'y \times 7' is assumed which is why the coefficient is not doubled); and in a QMATRIX section as:

QMATI	RIX	
X	Х	10
X	У	7
У	Х	7
У	У	18

The QUADOBJ and QMATRIX sections must appear somewhere after the COLUMNS section and must only contain columns previously defined in the columns section. Columns with no elements in the problem matrix must be defined in the COLUMNS section by specifying a (possibly zero) cost coefficient.

A.2.5 QCMATRIX section (Quadratic Constraint Programming only)

Quadratic constraints may be added using QCMATRIX sections.

Format:	Cols 1-8	Field 3	
	QCMATRIX	row_name	

Each constraint having quadratic terms should have it's own QCMATRIX section. The QCMATRIX section exactly follows the description of the QMATRIX section, i.e. for each quadratic term, we have:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4
blank	col1	col2	value

where col1 is the first variable in the quadratic term, col2 is the second variable and value is the associated coefficient from the Q matrix. All nonzero Q elements must be specified. The user must ensure that the Q matrix is symmetric. For instance a constraint of the form

$$qc1: x + 5x^2 + 7xy + 9y^2 <= 2$$

is represented as:

The QCMATRIX sections must appear somewhere after the COLUMNS section and must only contain columns previously defined in the columns section. Columns with no elements in the problem matrix must be defined in the COLUMNS section by specifying a (possibly zero) cost coefficient. The defined matrices must be positive semi-definite. QCMATRICES must be defined only for rows of type L or G and must have no range value defined in the RANGE section..

NOTE: technically, there is one exception for the restriction on the row type being L or G. If the row is the first nonbinding row (type N) then the section is treated as a QMATRIX section instead. Please be aware, that this also means that the objective specific implied divider of 2 will be assumed (Q matrix has an implicit factors of 0.5 when included in the objective function, see the QMATRIX section). It's probably much better to use the QMATRIX or QUADOBJ sections to define quadratic objectives.

A.2.6 DELAYEDROWS section

This specifies a set of rows in the matrix will be treated as delayed rows during a global search. These are rows that must be satisfied for any integer solution, but will not be loaded into the active set of constraints until required.

This section should be placed between the ROWS and COLUMNS sections. A delayed row may be of type L, G or E. Each row should appear either in the ROWS or the DELAYEDROWS section, not in both. Otherwise, the format used is the same as of the ROWS section.

Format: Cols 1-11
DELAYEDROWS

followed by row definitions in the format:

Field 1 Field 2 type row_name

NOTE: For compatibility reasons, section names <code>DELAYEDROWS</code> and <code>LAZYCONS</code> are treated as synonyms.

A.2.7 MODELCUTS section

TThis specifies a set of rows in the matrix will be treated as model cuts during a global search. During presolve the model cuts are removed from the matrix. Following optimization, the violated model cuts are added back into the matrix and the matrix is re-optimized. This continues until no violated cuts remain. This section should be placed between the ROWS and COLUMNS sections. Model cuts may be of type L, G or E. The model cuts must be "true" model cuts, in the sense that they are redundant at the optimal MIP solution. The Optimizer does not guarantee to add all violated model cuts, so they must not be required to define the optimal MIP solution.

Each row should appear either in the ROWS, DELAYEDROWS or in the MODELCUTS section, not in any two or three of them. Otherwise, the format used is the same as of the ROWS section.

Format: Cols 1-9
MODELCUTS

followed by row definitions in the format:

Field 1 Field 2

type row_name

NOTE: A problem is not allowed to consists solely from model cuts. For compatibility reasons, section names MODELCUTS and USERCUTS are treated as synonyms.

A.2.8 SETS section (Integer Programming only)

Format: Cols 1-4
SETS

This record introduces the section which specifies any Special Ordered Sets. If present it must appear after the COLUMNS section and before the RHS section. It is followed by a record which specifies the type and name of each set, as defined below.

Field 1	Field 2
type	set

Where *type* is S1 for a Special Ordered Set of type 1 or S2 for a Special Ordered Set of type 2 and *set* is the name of the set.

Subsequent records give the set members for the set and are of the form:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5	Field 6
blank	set	col1	value1	col2	value2

which specifies a set member col1 with reference value value1 (and col2 with reference value value2). The Field 5/Field 6 pair is optional.

A.2.9 RHS section

Format:	Col 1-3
	RHS

followed by the right hand side as defined below:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5	Field 6
blank	rhs	row1	value1	row2	value2

specifies that the right hand side column is called *rhs* and has a value of *value1* in row *row1* (and a value of *value2* in row *row2*). The Field 5/Field 6 pair is optional.

A.2.10 RANGES section

Format:	Cols 1-6
	RANGES

followed by the right hand side ranges defined as follows:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4	Field 5	Field 6
blank	rng	row1	value1	row2	value2

specifies that the right hand side range column is called *rng* and has a value of *value1* in row *row1* (and a value of *value2* in row *row2*). The Field 5/Field 6 pair is optional.

For any row, if b is the value given in the RHS section and r the value given in the RANGES section, then the activity limits below are applied:

Row Type	Sign of r	Upper Limit	Lower Limit
G	+	b+r	b
L	+	b	b-r
E	+	b+r	b
E	-	b	b+r

A.2.11 BOUNDS section

Format: Cols 1-6
BOUNDS

followed by the bounds acting on the variables:

Field 1	Field 2	Field 3	Field 4
type	blank	col	value

The Linear Programming bound types are:

- UP for an upper bound;
- LO for a lower bound;
- FX for a fixed value of the variable;
- FR for a free variable:
- MI for a non-positive ('minus') variable;
- PL for a non-negative ('plus') variable (the default).

There are six additional bound types specific to Integer Programming:

- UI for an upper bounded general integer variable;
- LI for a lower bounded general integer variable;
- BV for a binary variable;
- SC for a semi-continuous variable;
- SI for a semi-continuous integer variable;
- PI for a partial integer variable.

The value specified is an upper bound on the largest value the variable can take for types UP, FR, UI, SC and SI; a lower bound for types LO and LI; a fixed value for type FX; and ignored for types BV, MI and PL. For type PI it is the switching value: below which the variable must be integer, and above which the variable is continuous. If a non-integer value is given with a UI or LI type, only the integer part of the value is used.

Integer variables may only take integer values between 0 and the upper bound. Integer variables with an upper bound of unity are treated as binary variables.

Binary variables may only take the values 0 and 1. Sometimes called 0/1 variables.

Partial integer variables must be integral when they lie below the stated value, above that value they are treated as continuous variables.

Semi-continuous variables may take the value zero or any value between a lower bound and some finite upper bound. By default, this lower bound is 1.0. Other positive values can be specified as an explicit lower bound. For example

```
BOUNDS
LO x 0.8
SC x 12.3
```

means that x can take the value zero or any value between 0.8 and 12.3.

Semi-continuous integer variables may take the value zero or any integer value between a lower bound and some finite upper bound.

A.2.12 ENDATA section

Format: Cols 1-6 ENDATA

is the last record of the file.

A.3 LP File Format

Matrices can be represented in text files using either the MPS file format (.mat or .mps files) or the LP file format (.lp files). The LP file format represents matrices more intuitively than the MPS format in that it expresses the constraints in a row-oriented, algebraic way. For this reason, matrices are often written to LP files to be examined and edited manually in a text editor. Note that because the variables are 'declared' as they appear in the constraints during file parsing the variables may not be stored in the Xpress-Optimizer memory in the way you would expect from your enumeration of the variable names. For example, the following file:

```
Minimize
obj: - 2 x3

Subject To
c1: x2 - x1 <= 10
c2: x1 + x2 + x3 <= 20

Bounds
x1 <= 30

End
```

after being read and rewritten to file would be:

```
\Problem name:
Minimize
- 2 x3

Subject To
c1: x2 - x1 <= 10
c2: x3 + x2 + x1 <= 20

Bounds
x1 <= 30

End
```

Note that the last constraint in the output .1p file has the variables in reverse order to those in the input .1p file. The ordering of variables in the last constraint of the rewritten file is the order that the variables were encountered during file reading. Also note that although the optimal solution is unique for this particular problem in other problems with many equal optimal solutions the path taken by the solver may depend on the variable ordering and therefore by changing the ordering of your constraints in the .lp file may lead to different solution values for the variables.

A.3.1 Rules for the LP file format

The following rules can be used when you are writing your own .1p files to be read by the Xpress-Optimizer.

A.3.2 Comments and blank lines

Text following a backslash (\) and up to the subsequent carriage return is treated as a com-

ment. Blank lines are ignored. Blank lines and comments may be inserted anywhere in an .lp file. For example, a common comment to put in LP files is the name of the problem:

\Problem name: prob01

A.3.3 File lines, white space and identifiers

White space and carriage returns delimit variable names and keywords from other identifiers. Keywords are case insensitive. Variable names are case sensitive. Although it is not strictly necessary, for clarity of your LP files it is perhaps best to put your section keywords on their own lines starting at the first character position on the line. The maximum length for any name is 64. The maximum length of any line of input is 512. Lines can be continued if required. No line continuation character is needed when expressions are required to span multiple lines. Lines may be broken for continuation wherever you may use white space.

A.3.4 Sections

The LP file is broken up into sections separated by section keywords. The following are a list of section keywords you can use in your LP files. A section started by a keyword is terminated with another section keyword indicating the start of the subsequent section.

Section keywords	Synonyms	Section contents	
maximize or minimize	maximum max minimum min	One linear expression describing the objective function.	
subject to	subject to: such that st s.t. st. subjectto suchthat subject such	A list of constraint expressions.	
bounds	bound	A list of bounds expressions for variables.	
integers	integer ints int	A list of variable names of integer variables. Unless otherwise specified in the bounds section, the default re laxation interval of the variables is [0 1].	
generals	general gens gen	A list of variable names of integer variables. Unless otherwise specified in the bounds section, the default relaxation interval of the variables is [0 XPRS_MAXINT].	
binaries	binary bins bin	A list of variable names of binary variables.	
semi-continuous	semi continuous semis semi s.c.	A list of variable names of semicontinuous variables.	
semi integer	s.i.	A list of variable names of semi- integer variables.	
partial integer	p.i.	A list of variable names of partial integer variables.	

Variables that do not appear in any of the variable type registration sections (i.e., integers, generals, binaries, semi-continuous, semi integer, partial integer) are defined to be continuous variables by default. That is, there is no section defining variables to be continuous variables.

With the exception of the objective function section (maximize or minimize) and the constraints section (subject to), which must appear as the first and second sections respectively, the sections may appear in any order in the file. The only mandatory section is the objective function section. Note that you can define the objective function to be a constant in which case the problem is a so-called constraint satisfaction problem. The following two examples of LP file contents express empty problems with constant objective functions and no variables or constraints.

Empty problem 1:

```
Minimize
End
```

Empty problem 2:

```
Minimize

0

End
```

The end of a matrix description in an LP file can be indicated with the keyword end entered on a line by itself. This can be useful for allowing the remainder of the file for storage of comments, unused matrix definition information or other data that may be of interest to be kept together with the LP file.

A.3.5 Variable names

Variable names can use any of the alphanumeric characters (a-z, A-Z, 0-9) and any of the following symbols:

```
!"#$%&/,.;?@_`'{}()|~'
```

A variable name can not begin with a number or a period. Care should be taken using the characters E or e since these may be interpreted as exponential notation for numbers.

A.3.6 Linear expressions

Linear expressions are used to define the objective function and constraints. Terms in a linear expression must be separated by either a + or a – indicating addition or subtraction of the following term in the expression. A term in a linear expression is either a variable name or a numerical coefficient followed by a variable name. It is not necessary to separate the coefficient and its variable with white space or a carriage return although it is advisable to do so since this can lead to confusion. For example, the string " 2e3x" in an LP file is interpreted using exponential notation as 2000 multiplied by variable x rather than 2 multiplied by variable e3x. Coefficients must precede their associated variable names. If a coefficient is omitted it is assumed to be 1.

A.3.7 Objective function

The objective function section can be written in a similar way to the following examples using either of the keywords maximize or minimize. Note that the keywords maximize and minimize are not used for anything other than to indicate the following linear expression to be the objective function. Note the following two examples of an LP file objective definition:

```
Maximize -1 \times 1 + 2 \times 2 + 3 \times + 4 y
```

or

```
Minimize -1 x1 + 2 x2 + 3x + 4y
```

Generally objective functions are defined using many terms and since the maximum length of any line of file input is 512 characters the objective function definitions are typically always broken with line continuations. No line continuation character is required and lines may be broken for continuation wherever you may use white space.

Note that the sense of objective is defined only after the problem is loaded and when it is optimized by the Xpress-Optimizer when the user calls either the minim or maxim operations. The objective function can be named in the same way as for constraints (see later) although this name is ignored internally by the Xpress-Optimizer. Internally the objective function is always named __OBJ____.

A.3.8 Constraints

The section of the LP file defining the constraints is preceded by the keyword <code>subject to</code>. Each constraint definition must begin on a new line. A constraint may be named with an identifier followed by a colon before the constraint expression. Constraint names must follow the same rules as variable names. If no constraint name is specified for a constraint then a default name is assigned of the form <code>C0000001</code>, <code>C0000002</code>, <code>C0000003</code>, etc. Constraint names are trimmed of white space before being stored.

The constraints are defined as a linear expression in the variables followed by an indicator of the constraint's sense and a numerical right-hand side coefficient. The constraint sense is indicated intuitively using one of the tokens: >=, <=, or =. For example, here is a named constraint:

```
depot01: - x1 + 1.6 x2 - 1.7 x3 \le 40
```

Note that tokens > and < can be used, respectively, in place of the tokens >= and <=.

Generally, constraints are defined using many terms and since the maximum length of any line of file input is 512 characters the constraint definitions are typically always broken with line continuations. No line continuation character is required and lines may be broken for continuation wherever you may use white space.

A.3.9 Delayed rows

Delayed rows are defined in the same way as general constraints, but after the "delayed rows" keyword. Note that delayed rows shall not include quadratic terms. The definition of constraints, delayed rows and model cuts should be sequentially after each other.

For example:

```
Minimize obj: x1 + x2 subject to x1 <= 10 x1 + x2 >= 1 delayed rows x1 >= 2 end
```

For compatibility reasons, the term "lazy constraints" is used as a synonym to "delayed rows".

A.3.10 Model cuts

Model cuts are defined in the same way as general constraints, but after the "model cuts" keyword. Note that model cuts shall not include quadratic terms. The definition of constraints, delayed rows and model cuts should be sequentially after each other.

For example:

```
Minimize obj: x1 + x2 subject to x1 <= 10 x1 + x2 >= 1 model cuts x1 >= 2 end
```

For compatibility reasons, the term "user cuts" is used as a synonym to "model cuts".

A.3.11 Bounds

The list of bounds in the bounds section are preceded by the keyword bounds. Each bound definition must begin on a new line. Single or double bounds can be defined for variables. Double bounds can be defined on the same line as 10 <= x <= 15 or on separate lines in the following ways:

```
10 \le x
15 >= x

or
x >= 10
x <= 15
```

If no bounds are defined for a variable the Xpress-Optimizer uses default lower and upper bounds. An important point to note is that the default bounds are different for different types of variables. For continuous variables the interval defined by the default bounds is [0, XPRS_PLUSINFINITY] while for variables declared in the integers and generals section (see later) the relaxation interval defined by the default bounds is [0, 1] and [0, XPRS_MAXINT], respectively. Note that the constants XPRS_PLUSINFINITY and XPRS_MAXINT are defined in the Xpress-Optimizer header files in your Xpress-Optimizer libraries package.

If a single bound is defined for a variable the Xpress-Optimizer uses the appropriate default bound as the second bound. Note that negative upper bounds on variables must be declared together with an explicit definition of the lower bound for the variable. Also note that variables can not be declared in the bounds section. That is, a variable appearing in a bounds section that does not appear in a constraint in the constraint section is ignored.

Bounds that fix a variable can be entered as simple equalities. For example, x6 = 7.8 is equivalent to 7.8 <= x6 <= 7.8. The bounds $+\infty$ (positive infinity) and $-\infty$ (negative infinity) must be entered as strings (case insensitive):

```
+infinity, -infinity, +inf, -inf.
```

Note that the keywords infinity and inf may not be used as a right-hand side coefficient of a constraint.

A variable with a negative infinity lower bound and positive infinity upper bound may be entered as free (case insensitive). For example, x9 free in an LP file bounds section is equivalent to:

```
- infinity <= x9 <= + infinity

or
- infinity <= x9</pre>
```

In the last example here, which uses a single bound is used for x9 (which is positive infinity for continuous example variable x9).

A.3.12 Generals, Integers and binaries

The generals, integers and binaries sections of an LP file is used to indicate the variables that must have integer values in a feasible solution. The difference between the variables registered in each of these sections is in the definition of the default bounds that the variables will have. For variables registered in the generals section the default bounds are 0 and XPRS_MAXINT. For variables registered in the integers section the default bounds are 0 and 1. The bounds for variables registered in the binaries section are 0 and 1.

The lines in the generals, integers and binaries sections are a list of white space or carriage return delimited variable names. Note that variables can not be declared in these sections. That is, a variable appearing in one of these sections that does not appear in a constraint in the constraint section is ignored.

It is important to note that you will only be able to use these sections if your Xpress-Optimizer is licensed for Mix Integer Programming.

A.3.13 Semi-continuous and semi-integer

The semi-continuous and semi integer sections of an LP file relate to two similar classes of variables and so their details are documented here simultaneously.

The semi-continuous (or semi integer) section of an LP file are used to specify variables as semi-continuous (or semi-integer) variables, that is, as variables that may take either (a) value 0 or (b) real (or integer) values from specified thresholds and up to the variables' upper bounds.

The lines in a semi-continuous (or semi integer) section are a list of white space or carriage return delimited entries that are either (i) a variable name or (ii) a variable name-number pair. The following example shows the format of entries in the semi-continuous section.

```
Semi-continuous
x7 >= 2.3
x8
x9 >= 4.5
```

The following example shows the format of entries in the semi integer section.

```
Semi integer
x7 >= 3
x8
x9 >= 5
```

Note that you can not use the <= token in place of the >= token.

The threshold of the interval within which a variable may have real (or integer) values is defined in two ways depending on whether the entry for the variable is (i) a variable name or (ii) a variable name-number pair. If the entry is just a variable name, then the variable's threshold is the variable's lower bound, defined in the bounds section (see earlier). If the entry for a variable is a variable name-number pair, then the variable's threshold is the number value in the pair.

It is important to note that if (a) the threshold of a variable is defined by a variable namenumber pair and (b) a lower bound on the variable is defined in the bounds section, then:

Case 1) If the lower bound is less then zero, then the lower bound is zero.

Case 2) If the lower bound is greater than zero but less than the threshold, then the value of zero is essentially cut off the domain of the semi-continuous (or semi-integer) variable and the variable becomes a simple bounded continuous (or integer) variable.

Case 3) If the lower bound is greater than the threshold, then the variable becomes a simple

lower bounded continuous (or integer) variable.

If no upper bound is defined in the bounds section for a semi-continuous (or semi-integer) variable, then the default upper bound that is used is the same as for continuous variables, for semi-continuous variables, and generals section variables, for semi-integer variables.

It is important to note that you will only be able to use this section if your Xpress-Optimizer is licensed for Mix Integer Programming.

A.3.14 Partial integers

The partial integers section of an LP file is used to specify variables as partial integer variables, that is, as variables that can only take integer values from their lower bounds up to specified thresholds and then take continuous values from the specified thresholds up to the variables' upper bounds.

The lines in a partial integers section are a list of white space or carriage return delimited variable name-integer pairs. The integer value in the pair is the threshold below which the variable must have integer values and above which the variable can have real values. Note that lower bounds and upper bounds can be defined in the bounds section (see earlier). If only one bound is defined in the bounds section for a variable or no bounds are defined then the default bounds that are used are the same as for continuous variables.

The following example shows the format of the variable name-integer pairs in the partial integers section.

```
Partial integers x11 >= 8 x12 >= 9
```

Note that you can not use the <= token in place of the >= token.

It is important to note that you will only be able to use this section if your Xpress-Optimizer is licensed for Mix Integer Programming.

A.3.15 Special ordered sets

Special ordered sets are defined as part of the constraints section of the LP file. The definition of each special ordered set looks the same as a constraint except that the sense is always = and the right hand side is either S1 or S2 (case sensitive) depending on whether the set is to be of type 1 or 2, respectively. Special ordered sets of type 1 require that, of the non-negative variables in the set, one at most may be non-zero. Special ordered sets of type 2 require that at most two variables in the set may be non-zero, and if there are two non-zeros, they must be adjacent. Adjacency is defined by the weights, which must be unique within a set given to the variables. The weights are defined as the coefficients on the variables in the set constraint. The sorted weights define the order of the special ordered set. It is perhaps best practice to keep the special ordered sets definitions together in the LP file to indicate (for your benefit) the start of the special ordered sets definition with the comment line \Special Ordered Sets as is done when a problem is written to an LP file by the Xpress-Optimizer. The following example shows the definition of a type 1 and type 2 special ordered set.

```
Sos101: 1.2 \times 1 + 1.3 \times 2 + 1.4 \times 4 = S1
Sos201: 1.2 \times 5 + 1.3 \times 6 + 1.4 \times 7 = S2
```

It is important to note that you will only be able to use special ordered sets if your Xpress-Optimizer is licensed for Mix Integer Programming.

A.3.16 Quadratic programming problems

Quadratic programming problems (QPs) with quadratic objective functions are defined using a special format within the objective function description. The algebraic coefficients of the

function $x' \circ x$ appearing in the objective for QP problems are specified inside square brackets []. All quadratic coefficients must appear inside square brackets. Multiple square bracket sections may be used and quadratic terms in the same variable(s) may appear more than once in quadratic expressions.

Division by two of the QP objective is either implicit, or expressed by a /2 after the square brackets, thus $[\ldots]$ and $[\ldots]/2$ are equivalent.

Within a square bracket pair, a quadratic term in two different variables is indicated by the two variable names separated by an asterisk (*). A squared quadratic term is indicated with the variable name followed by a carat () and then a 2.

For example, the LP file objective function section:

```
Minimize obj: x1 + x2 + [x12 + 4x1 * x2 + 3x22]/2
```

Note that if in a solution the variables x1 and x2 both have value 1 then value of the objective function is 1 + 1 + (1*1 + 4*1*1 + 3*1*1) / 2 = 2 + (8) / 2 = 6.

It is important to note that you will only be able to use quadratic objective function components if your Xpress-Optimizer is licensed for Quadratic Programming.

A.3.17 Quadratic Constraints

Quadratic terms in constraints are introduced using the same format and rules as for the quadratic objective, but without the implied or explicit /2 after the square brackets. Quadratic rows must be of type <= or >=, and the quadratic matrix should be positive semi-definite for <= rows and negative semi-definite for >= rows (do that the defined region is convex).

For example:

```
Minimize
obj: x1 + x2
s.t.
x1 + [ x1^2 + 4 x1 * x2 + 3 x2^2 ] <= 10
x1 >= 1
end
```

Please be aware of the differences of the default behaviour of the square brackets in the objective compared to the constraints. For example problem:

```
min y + [ x^2 ]
st.
    x >= 1
    y >= 1
end
```

Has an optimal objective function value of 1.5, while problem:

```
min t
s.t.
  -t + y + [ x^2 ] <= 0
x >= 1
y >= 1
end
```

has an optimum of 2. The user is suggested to use the explicit /2 in the objective function like:

```
min y + [ x^2 ] / 2
st.
x >= 1
y >= 1
end
```

to make sure that the model represents what the modeller meant.

A.4 ASCII Solution Files

Solution information is available from the Optimizer in a number of different file formats depending on the intended use. The XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) command produces two files, problem_name.hdr and problem_name.asc, whose output has comma separated fields and is primarily intended for input into another program. By contrast, the command XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) produces fixed format output intended to be sent directly to a printer, the file problem_name.prt. All three of these files are described below.

A.4.1 Solution Header .hdr Files

This file only contains one line of characters comprising header information which may be used for controlling the reading of the .asc file (which contains data on each row and column in the problem). The single line is divided into fourteen fields, separated by commas, as follows:

Field	Туре	Width	Description
1	string	10	matrix name;
2	integer	4	number of rows in problem;
3	integer	6	number of structural columns in problem;
4	integer	4	sequence number of the objective row;
5	string	3	problem status (see notes below);
6	integer	4	direction of optimization (0=none, 1=min, 2=max);
7	integer	6	number of iterations taken;
8	integer	4	final number of infeasibilities;
9	real	12	final object function value;
10	real	12	final sum of infeasibilities;
11	string	10	objective row name;
12	string	10	right hand side row name;
13	integer	1	flag: integer solution found (1), otherwise 0;
14	integer	4	matrix version number.

- Character fields contain character strings enclosed in double quotes.
- Integer fields contain right justified decimal digits.
- Fields of type real contain a decimal character representation of a real number, right justified, with six digits to the right of the decimal point.
- The status of the problem (field 5) is a single character as follows:
- O optimal;
 N infeasible;
 U unbounded;
 Z unfinished.

A.4.2 CSV Format Solution .asc Files

The bulk of the solution information is contained in this file. One line of characters is used for each row and column in the problem, starting with the rows, ordered according to input sequence number. Each line contains ten fields, separated by commas, as follows:

Field	Туре	Width	Description
1	integer	6	input sequence number of variable;
2	string	10	variable (row or column vector) name;
3	string	3	variable type (C =column; N , L , G , E for rows);
4	string	4	variable status (LL, BS, UL, EQ or **);
5	real	12	value of activity;
6	real	12	slack activity (rows) or input cost (columns;)
7	real	12	lower bound (-1000000000 if none);
8	real	12	upper bound (1000000000 if none);
9	real	12	dual activity (rows) or reduced cost (columns);
10	real	12	right hand side value (rows) or blank (columns).

- The field Type is as for the .hdr file.
- The variable type (field 3) is defined by:
 - C structural column;
 - N N type row;
 - L ⊥ type row;
 - G G type row;
- The variable status (field 4) is defined by:
 - LL non-basic at lower bound;
 - ** basic and infeasible;
 - BS basic and feasible;
 - UL non-basic at upper bound;
 - EQ equality row;
 - SB variable is super-basic;
 - ?? unknown.

A.4.3 Fixed Format Solution (.prt) Files

This file is the output of the XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) command and has the same format as is displayed to the console by PRINTSOL. The format of the display is described below by way of an example, for which the simple example of the Xpress-MP Getting Started manual will be used.

The first section contains summary statistics about the solution process and the optimal solution that has been found. It gives the matrix (problem) name (simple) and the names of the objective function and right hand sides that have been used. Then follows the number of rows and columns, the fact that it was a maximization problem, that it took two iterations (simplex pivots) to solve and that the best solution has a value of 171.428571.

```
Problem Statistics
Matrix simple
Objective *OBJ*
RHS *RHS*
Problem has 3 rows and 2 structural columns

Solution Statistics
Maximization performed
Optimal solution found after 3 iterations
Objective function value is 171.428571
```

Next, the Rows Section presents the solution for the rows, or constraints, of the problem.

```
Rows Section Number Row At Value Slack Value Dual Value RHS N 1 *OBJ* BS 171.428571 -171.428571 .000000 .000000
```

```
L 2 second UL 200.000000 .000000 .571429 200.000000
L 3 first UL 400.000000 .000000 .142857 400.000000
```

The first column shows the constraint type: L means a 'less than or equal to' constrain; E indicates an 'equality' constraint; E refers to a 'greater than or equal to' constraint; E means a 'nonbinding' constraint – this is the objective function.

The sequence numbers are in the next column, followed by the name of the constraint. The ${\tt At}$ column displays the status of the constraint. A ${\tt UL}$ indicator shows that the row is at its upper limit. In this case a \leq row is hard up against the right hand side that is constraining it. ${\tt BS}$ means that the constraint is not active and could be removed from the problem without changing the optimal value. If there were \geq constraints then we might see ${\tt LL}$ indicators, meaning that the constraint was at its lower limit. Other possible values include:

```
** basic and infeasible;EQ equality row;?? unknown.
```

The RHS column is the right hand side of the original constraint and the Slack Value is the amount by which the constraint is away from its right hand side. If we are tight up against a constraint (the status is UL or LL) then the slack will be 0.

The <code>Dual Value</code> is a measure of how tightly a constraint is acting. If a row is hard up against a \leq constraint then it might be expected that a greater profit would result if the constraint were relaxed a little. The dual value gives a precise numerical measure to this intuitive feeling. In general terms, if the right hand side of a \leq row is increased by 1 then the profit will increase by the dual value of the row. More specifically, if the right hand side increases by a sufficiently small δ then the profit will increase by $\delta \times$ dual value, since the dual value is a marginal concept. Dual values are sometimes known as *shadow prices*.

Finally, the Columns Section gives the solution for the columns, or variables.

```
        Columns Section

        Number Column At
        Value
        Input Cost
        Reduced Cost

        C 4 a BS 114.285714
        1.000000
        .000000

        C 5 b BS 28.571429
        2.000000
        .000000
```

The first column contains a C meaning column (compare with the rows section above). The number is a sequence number. The name of the decision variable is given under the Column heading. Under At is the status of the column: BS means it is away from its lower or upper bound, LL means that it is at its lower bound and UL means that the column is limited by its upper bound. Other possible values include:

```
** basic and infeasible;EQ equality row;SB variable is super-basic;?? unknown.
```

The Value column gives the optimal value of the variable. For instance, the best value for the variable a is 114.285714 and for variable b it is 28.571429. The Input Cost column tells you the coefficient of the variable in the objective function.

The final column in the solution print gives the <code>Reduced Cost</code> of the variable, which is always zero for variables that are away from their bounds – in this case, away from zero. For variables which are zero, it may be assumed that the per unit contribution is not high enough to make production viable. The reduced cost shows how much the per unit profitability of a variable would have to increase before it would become worthwhile to produce this product. Alternatively, and this is where the name *reduced cost* comes from, the cost of production would have to fall by this amount before any production could include this without reducing the best profit.

A.4.4 ASCII Solution (.slx) Files

These files provide an easy to read format for storing solutions. An . \mathtt{slx} file has a header NAME containing the name of the matrix the solution belongs to. Each line contains three fields as follows:

Field	Type	Width	Description
1	char	1	variable type (C=column);
2	string	variable	name of variable;
3	real	variable	value of activity;

The file is closed by ENDATA.

This file format is expected to be extended in the next release to be able to store multiple solutions.

A.5 ASCII Range Files

Users can display range (sensitivity analysis) information produced by XPRSrange (RANGE) either directly, or by printing it to a file for use. Two functions exist for this purpose, namely XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE) and XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE). The first of these, XPRSwriterange (WRITERANGE) produces two files, problem_name.hdr and problem_name.rsc, both of which have fixed fields and are intended for use as input to another program. By way of contrast, command XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE) outputs information in a format intended for sending directly to a printer (problem_name.rrt). The information provided by both functions is essentially the same and the difference lies purely in the intended purpose for the output. The formats of these files are described below.

A.5.1 Solution Header (.hdr) Files

This file contains only one line of characters comprising header information which may be used for controlling the reading of the .rsc file. Its format is identical to that produced by XPRSwritesol (WRITESOL) and is described in Solution Header (.hdr) Files above.

A.5.2 CSV Format Range (.rsc) Files

The bulk of the range information is contained in this file. One line of characters is used for each row and column in the problem, starting with the rows, ordered according to input sequence number. Each line contains 16 fields, separated by commas, as follows:

Field	Туре	Width	Description
1	integer	6	input sequence number of variable;
2	string	*	variable (row or column vector) name;
3	string	3	variable type (C =column; N , L , G , E for rows);
4	string	4	variable status (LL, BS, UL, EQ or **);
5	real	12	value of activity;
6	real	12	slack activity (rows) or input cost (columns);
7	real	12	lower activity;
8	real	12	unit cost down;
9	real	12	lower profit;
10	string	*	limiting process;
11	string	4	status of limiting process at limit (LL, UL);
12	real	12	upper activity;
13	real	12	unit cost up;
14	real	12	upper profit;
15	string	*	limiting process;
16	string	4	status of limiting process at limit (LL , UL).
* there fields are variable length depending on the maximum name length			

- * these fields are variable length depending on the maximum name length
 - The field Type is as for the .hdr file.
 - The variable type (field 3) is defined by:
 - c structural column;
 - N N type row;

 - G G type row;
 - E E type row;
 - The variable status (field 4) is defined by:
 - LL non-basic at lower bound;
 - ** basic and infeasible:
 - BS basic and feasible;
 - UL non-basic at upper bound;
 - EQ equality row;
 - ?? unknown.
 - The status of limiting process at limit (fields 11 and 16) is defined by:
 - LL non-basic at lower bound;
 - UL non-basic at upper bound;
 - A full description of all fields can be found below.

A.5.3 Fixed Format Range (.rrt) Files

This file is the output of the XPRSwriteprtrange (WRITEPRTRANGE) command and has the same format as is displayed to the console by PRINTRANGE. This format is described below by way of an example.

Output is displayed in three sections, variously showing summary data, row data and column data. The first of these is the same information as displayed by the XPRSwriteprtsol (WRITEPRTSOL) command (see above), resembling the following:

```
Problem Statistics
Matrix PLAN
Objective CO_____
RHS RO_____
```

```
Problem has 7 rows and 5 structural columns
Solution Statistics
Minimization performed
Optimal solution found after 6 iterations
Objective function value is 15.000000
```

The next section presents data for the rows, or constraints, of the problem. For each constraint, data are displayed in two lines. In this example the data for just one row is shown:

```
Rows Section  
Vector Activity Lower actvty Unit cost DN Upper cost Limiting AT Number Slack  
Upper actvty Unit cost UP  
Process  
G C1 10.000000  
9.000000  
-1.000000  
x4  LL  
LL 2 .000000  
12.000000  
1.000000  
C6  UL
```

In the first of the two lines, the row type (N, G, L or E) appears before the row name. The value of the activity follows. Then comes Lower actvty, the level to which the activity may be decreased at a cost per unit of decrease given by the Unit cost DN column. At this level the unit cost changes. The Limiting Process is the name of the row or column that would change its status if the activity of this row were decreased beyond its lower activity. The AT column displays the status of the limiting process when the limit is reached. It is either LL, meaning that it leaves or enters the basis at its lower limit, or UL, meaning that it leaves or enters the basis at its upper limit. In calculating Lower actvty, the lower bound on the row as specified in the RHS section of the matrix is ignored.

The second line starts with the current status of the row and the sequence number. The value of the slack on the row is then shown. The next four pieces of data are exactly analogous to the data above them. Again, in calculating Upper activity, the upper bound on that activity is ignored.

The columns, or variables, are similarly displayed in two lines. Here we show just two columns:

The vector type is always C, denoting a column. The Activity is the optimal value. The Lower/Upper activity is the activity level that would result from a cost coefficient increase/decrease from the Input cost to the Upper/Lower cost (assuming a minimization problem). The lower/upper bound on the column is ignored in this calculation. The Unit cost DN/UP is the change in the objective function per unit of change in the activity down/up to the Lower/Upper activity. The interpretation of the Limiting Processes and AT statuses is as for rows. The second line contains the column's status and sequence number.

Note that for non-basic columns, the Unit costs are always the (absolute) values of the reduced costs.

A.6 The Directives (.dir) File

This consists of an unordered sequence of records which specify branching priorities, forced branching directions and pseudo costs, read into the Optimizer using the XPRSreaddirs (READDIRS) command. By default its name is of the form problem_name.dir.

Directive file records have the format:

Col 2-3	Col 5-12	Col 25-36
type	entity	value

type is one of:

PR	implying a priority entry (the value gives the priority, which must be an integer between 0 and 1000. Values greater than 1000 are rejected, and real values are rounded down to the next integer. A low value means that the entity is more likely to be selected for branching.)
UP	the entity is to be forced up (value is not used)
DN	the entity is to be forced down (value is not used)
PU	an up pseudo cost entry (the value gives the cost)
PD	a down pseudo cost entry (the value gives the cost)
MC	a model cut entry (value is not used)
DR	a delayed row entry (value is not used
BR	force the optimizer to branch on the entity even if it is satisfied. If a node solution is global feasible, the optimizer will first branch on any branchable entity flagged with BR before returning the solution.

entity is the name of a global entity (vector or special ordered set), or a mask. A mask may comprise ordinary characters which match the given character: a ? which matches any single character, or a \star , which matches any string or characters. A \star can only appear at the end of a mask.

value is the value to accompany the type.

For example:

PR x1* 2

gives global entities (integer variables etc.) whose names start with x1 a priority of 2. Note that the use of a mask: a * matches all possible strings after the initial x1.

A.7 IIS description file in CSV format

This file contains information on a single IIS of an infeasible LP.

Field	Description
Name	Name of a row or column in conflict.
Type	Type of conflicting variable (row or column vector).
Sense	Sense of conflicting variable: (LE or GE) to indicate or rows. (LO or UP) to indicate lower or upper bounds for columns.
Bound	Value associated with the variable, i.e. RHS for rows and bound values for columns.
Dual value	The dual multipliers corresponding to the contradiction deducible from the IIS. Summing up all the rows and columns in the IIS multiplied by these values yields a contradicting constraint. This value is negative for <= rows and upper bounds, and positive for >= rows and lower bounds.
In iso	Indicates if the row or column is in isolation.

Note that each IIS may contain a row or column with only on one of its possible senses. This also means that equality rows and columns with both lower and upper bounds, only one side of the restriction may be present. Range constraints in an IIS are converted to greater than or equal constraints.

An IIS often contains other columns than those listed in the IIS. Such columns are free, and have no associated conflicting bounds.

The information contained in these files is the same as returned by the XPRSgetiisdata function, or displayed by (IIS -p).

A.8 The Matrix Alteration (.alt) File

The Alter File is an ASCII file containing matrix revision statements, read in by use of the XPRSalter (ALTER) command, and should be named problem_name.alt by default. Each statement occupies a separate line of the file and the final line is always empty. The statements consist of identifiers specifying the object to be altered and actions to be applied to the specified object. Typically the identifier may specify just a row, for example R2, specifying the second row if that name has been assigned to row 2. If a coefficient is to be altered, the associated variable must also be specified. For example:

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RRRRRRRR
CCRider
2.087
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changes the coefficient of CCRider in row RRRRRRRR to 2.087. The action may be one of the following possibilities.

A.8.1 Changing Upper or Lower Bounds

An upper or lower bound of a column may be altered by specifying the special 'rows' ** \mathbb{L} O and ** \mathbb{U} P for lower and upper bounds respectively.

A.8.2 Changing Right Hand Side Coefficients

Right hand side coefficients of a row may be altered by changing values in the 'column' with the name of the right hand side.

A.8.3 Changing Constraint Types

The direction of a constraint may be altered. The row name is given first, followed by an action of $\star\star NTx$, where x is one of:

- N for the new row type to be constrained;
- L for the new row type to be 'less than or equal to';
- G for the new row type to be 'greater than or equal to';
- E for the new row type to be an equality.

Note that N type rows will not be present in the matrix in memory if the control KEEPNROWS has been set to zero before XPRSreadprob (READPROB).

A.9 The Simplex Log

During the simplex optimization, a summary log is displayed every n iterations, where n is the value of LPLOG. This summary log has the form:

lts	The number of iterations or steps taken so far.
Obj Value	The objective function value.
S	The current solution method (p primal; d dual).
Ninf	The number of infeasibilities.
Nneg	The number of variables which may improve the current solution if assigned a value away from their current bounds.
Sum inf	The scaled sum of infeasibilities. For the dual algorithm this is the scaled sum of dual infeasibilities when the number of negative dj's is non-zero.
Time	The number of seconds spent iterating.

A more detailed log can be displayed every n iterations by setting \mathtt{LPLOG} to -n. The detailed log has the form:

Its	The number of iterations or steps taken so far.
S	The current solution method (p primal; d dual).
Ninf	The number of infeasibilities.
Obj Value	If the solution is infeasible, the scaled sum of infeasibilities, otherwise: the objective value.
In	The sequence number of the variable entering the basis (negative if from upper bound).
Out	The sequence number of the variable leaving the basis (negative if to upper bound).
Nneg	The number of variables which may prove the current solution if assigned a value away from their current bounds.
Dj	The scaled rate at which the most promising variable would improve the solution if assigned a value away from its current bound (reduced cost).
Neta	A measure of the size of the inverse.
Nelem	Another measure of the size of the inverse.
Time	The number of seconds spent iterating.

If \mathtt{LPLOG} is set to 0, no log is displayed until the optimization finishes.

A.10 The Barrier Log

The first line of the barrier log displays statistics about the Cholesky decomposition needed by the barrier algorithm. This line contains the following values:

Dense cols	The number of dense columns identified in the factorization.
NZ(L)	The number of nonzero elements in the Cholesky factorization.
Flops	The number of floating point operations needed to perform one factorization.

During the barrier optimization, a summary log is displayed in every iteration. This summary log has the form:

Its	The number of iterations taken so far.
P.inf	Maximal violation of primal constraints.
D.inf	Maximal violation of dual constraints.
U.inf	Maximal violation of upper bounds.
Primal obj	Value of the primal objective function.
Dual obj	Value of the dual objective function.
Compl	Value of the average complementarity.

After the barrier algorithm a crossover procedure may be applied. This process prints at most 3 log lines about the different phases of the crossover procedure. The structure of these lines follows The Simplex Log described in the section above.

If BAROUTPUT is set to 0, no log is displayed until the barrier algorithm finishes.

A.11 The Global Log

During the Branch and Bound tree search (see XPRSglobal (GLOBAL)), a summary log of nine columns of information is printed every n nodes, where -n is the value of MIPLOG. These columns consist of:

Node	A sequential node number.
BestSoln	The value of the best integer feasible solution found.
BestBound	A bound on the value of the best integer feasible solution that can be found.
Sols	The number of integer feasible solutions that have been found.
Active	The number of active nodes in the Branch and Bound tree search.
Depth	The depth of the current node in the Branch and Bound tree.
Gap	The percentage gap between the best solution and the best bound.
GInf	The number of global infeasibilities at the current node.
Time	The time taken.

This log is also printed when an integer feasible solution is found. Stars (\star) printed on both sides of the log indicate a solution has been found. Pluses (+) printed on both sides of the log indicate a heuristic solution has been found.

If MIPLOG is set to 3, a more detailed log of eight columns of information is printed for each node in the tree search:

Branch	A sequential node number.
Parent	The node number of the parent of this node.
Solution	The optimum value of the LP relaxation at the node.
Entity	If it is necessary to continue the search from this node, then this global entity will be separated upon.
Value / Bound	The current value of the entity chosen above for separation. A $\mathbb U$ or an $\mathbb L$ follows: If the letter is $\mathbb U$ (resp. $\mathbb L$) then a new upper (lower) bound will first be applied to the entity. Thus the entity will be forced down (up) on the first branch from this node.
Active	The number of active nodes in the tree search.
GInf	The number of global infeasibilities.
Time	The time taken.

Not all the information described above is present for all nodes. If the LP relaxation is cut off, only the Branch and Parent (and possibly Solution) are displayed. If the LP relaxation

is infeasible, only the Branch and Parent appear. If an integer solution is discovered, this is highlighted before the log line is printed.

If MIPLOG is set to 2, the detailed log is printed at integer feasible solutions only. When MIPLOG is set to 0 or 1, no log is displayed and status messages only are displayed at the end of the search. The LP iteration log is suppressed, but messages from the LP Optimizer may be seen if major numerical difficulties are encountered.

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