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Formulación de problemas de programación lineal entera

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Suppose that we have a linear program

$$\max\{\mathbf{c}\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0}\}$$

where \mathbf{A} is an $m \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{c} an n row vector, \mathbf{b} and m column vector, and \mathbf{x} an n column vector of variables or unknowns. Now we add constraints to ensure that certain variables must take integer values:

- **Mixed Integer Program:** if some but not all variables are integer.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{h}\mathbf{y} \\ (MIP) & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{G}\mathbf{y} \leq \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{0} \\ & \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^p. \end{array}$$

where \mathbf{A} is a $m \times n$ matrix, \mathbf{G} is an m by p matrix, \mathbf{h} is a p row vector, and \mathbf{y} is a p column vector of non negative integer variables:

¹Wolsey, L.A., Integer Programming, Wiley Interscience Series in Mathematics and Optimization, 1998.3/30

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- **Integer Program:** if all variables are integer:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x} \\ (IP) & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n. \end{array}$$

- **Binary Integer Program:** if all variables are restricted to 0-1 values:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x} \\ (BIP) & \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \{0,1\}^n. \end{array}$$

Combinatorial Optimization Problem ²

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Given a finite set $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$, weights c_j for each $j \in N$, and a set \mathcal{F} of feasible subsets of N , a combinatorial optimization problem can be defined in the following way

$$(COP) \quad \min_{S \subseteq N} \left\{ \sum_{j \in S} c_j : S \in \mathcal{F} \right\}.$$

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Practical Rule 1: Some from set A in the left-hand side of implications.

If the left-hand side of an implication is: **some propositions from set A are true**, break up the statement into $|A|$ statements, with the right-hand side of the implication unchanged. For example $(P_1 \vee P_2 \vee P_3) \rightarrow (P_5 \vee P_6)$ decomposes in the following way:

$$P_1 \rightarrow (P_5 \vee P_6)$$

$$P_2 \rightarrow (P_5 \vee P_6)$$

$$P_3 \rightarrow (P_5 \vee P_6)$$

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Practical Rule 2: All from set B in the right-hand side of implications.

If the right-hand side of an implication is: **All propositions from set B are true**, break up the statement into $|B|$ statements with the left-hand side of the implication unchanged. For example $P_1 \rightarrow (P_2 \wedge P_3)$ decomposes in the following way:

$$P_1 \rightarrow P_2$$

$$P_1 \rightarrow P_3$$

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Practical Rule 3: All from set A implies some from set B

A situation when all the propositions of a set A are true implies that some propositions of the set B are true, can be modeled in the following way:

$$\sum_{i \in A} x_i \leq \sum_{i \in B} x_i + |A| - 1$$

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Implications:

If project 1 is selected then project 2 must be selected:

$$x_1 \leq x_2$$

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If project 1 is selected then project 3 must not be selected:

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Implications:

If project 1 is selected then project 3 must not be selected:

$$x_1 + x_3 \leq 1$$

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If project 1 is not selected then project 4 must be selected:

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Implications:

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$$x_1 + x_4 \geq 1$$

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$$x_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if project } j \text{ is selected,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Implications:

If project 1 is selected then project 5 must be selected, and if project 5 is selected then project 1 must be selected:

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Implications:

If project 1 is selected then project 5 must be selected, and if project 5 is selected then project 1 must be selected:

$$x_1 = x_5$$

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If project 1 is selected then projects 3 and 5 must be selected:

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If project 1 is selected then projects 3 and 5 must be selected:

$$x_1 \leq x_3$$

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If project 1 is selected then project 2 or project 4 must be selected:

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If project 1 is selected then project 2 or project 4 must be selected:

$$x_1 \leq x_2 + x_4$$

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If project 1 or project 5 are selected then project 6 must be selected:

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If project 1 or project 5 are selected then project 6 must be selected:

$$x_1 \leq x_6$$

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If project 2 and project 3 are selected then project 7 must be selected:

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$$x_2 + x_3 - 1 \leq x_7$$

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If two of more projects among projects 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 are selected, then project 1 must be selected:

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If two or more projects among projects 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 are selected, then project 1 must be selected:

$$\frac{1}{4} (x_2 + x_4 + x_6 + x_8 + x_{10} - 1) \leq x_1$$

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If two or more projects among projects 2, 4, 6, 8, and 10 are selected, then project 1 must be selected:

If m or more projects among a subset of projects $S \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ are selected (with $m < |S|$), then project 2 must be selected:

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If m or more projects among a subset of projects $S \subset \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ are selected (with $m < |S|$), then project 2 must be selected:

$$\frac{1}{|S| - m + 1} \left(\sum_{j \in S} x_j - m + 1 \right) \leq x_2$$

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Suppose that x is a non negative continuous variable. We may wish to use an indicator variable $\delta \in \{0, 1\}$ to distinguish between the state where $x = 0$ and the state where $x > 0$. By introducing the following constraint, we can force δ to take the value 1 when $x > 0$:

$$x - M\delta \leq 0$$

where M is a constant coefficient representing a known upper bound for x .

Logically, we have achieved the condition:

$$x > 0 \rightarrow \delta = 1 \quad (1)$$

³Williams, H.P., Model building in mathematical programming, Wiley, 2003

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There are applications where we also wish to impose the condition

$$x = 0 \rightarrow \delta = 0 \quad (2)$$

Condition (2) is another way of saying

$$\delta = 1 \rightarrow x > 0 \quad (3)$$

Together, conditions (1) and (2) (or (3)) impose the condition

$$\delta = 1 \leftrightarrow x > 0 \quad (4)$$

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Is not possible to represent conditions (2) (or (3)) by a constraint. Condition (3) states that if $\delta = 1$ the quantity represented by x must be greater than zero. In practical applications, therefore, we wish to distinguish a threshold level m below which we regard the quantity represented by x to be equal to 0. Condition (3) can be rewritten as

$$\delta = 1 \rightarrow x \geq m$$

This condition can be modeled with the inequality

$$x - m\delta \geq 0$$

Modeling fixed costs⁴

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x = 0, \\ C_1x + C_2, & \text{if } x > 0. \end{cases}$$

where M is an upper bound for x .

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In a similar way, it is possible to use indicator variables to show whether an inequality holds or does not hold:

$$\delta = 1 \rightarrow \sum_j a_j x_j \leq b$$

This situation can be represented with the following inequality:

$$\sum_j a_j x_j + M\delta \leq M + b$$

where M is an upper bound for the expression $\sum_j a_j x_j - b$

⁵Williams, H.P., Model building in mathematical programming, Wiley, 2003

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If we want to model the following logical condition:

$$\sum_j a_j x_j \leq b \rightarrow \delta = 1$$

it can be conveniently expressed as

$$\delta = 0 \rightarrow \sum_j a_j x_j \not\leq b,$$

or

$$\delta = 0 \rightarrow \sum_j a_j x_j > b. \quad (5)$$

In dealing with the expression $\sum_j a_j x_j > b$, we run in the same difficulty that we met with the expression $x > 0$. We must rewrite

$$\sum_j a_j x_j > b \text{ as } \sum_j a_j x_j \geq b + \epsilon$$

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where ϵ is a small tolerance value beyond which we will regard the constraint $\sum_j a_j x_j \leq b$ as having been broken. Should the coefficients a_j be integers as well as the variables x_j , as often happens in this type of situation, there is not difficulty as ϵ can be taken as 1.

Expression (5) may now be rewritten as

$$\delta = 0 \rightarrow -\sum_j a_j x_j + b + \epsilon \leq 0.$$

and can be modeled as

$$\sum_j a_j x_j - (m - \epsilon)\delta \geq b + \epsilon,$$

where m is a lower bound for the expression $\sum_j a_j x_j - b$

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In a similar way, the expressions

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and

$$\sum_j a_j x_j \geq b \rightarrow \delta = 1$$

can be modeled with the expressions

$$\sum_j a_j x_j + m\delta \geq m + b$$

and

$$\sum_j a_j x_j - (M + \epsilon)\delta \leq b - \epsilon$$

where m and M are respectively, lower and upper bounds for the expression $\sum_j a_j x_j - b$.

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Suppose that for an problem, we do not require all the constraints to hold simultaneously, but we require at least one subset of constraints to hold. This can be expressed in the following way

$$R_1 \vee R_2 \vee \dots \vee R_N, \quad (6)$$

where R_i is the proposition “The constraints in subset i are satisfied”.

We can model this by introducing N indicator 0-1 variables, $\delta_i, i = 1, \dots, N$, where

$$\delta_i = 1 \rightarrow R_i$$

and impose the condition (6) with the expression:

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \dots + \delta_N \geq 1$$

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In a similar way, we can model the condition “At least k of (R_1, R_2, \dots, R_N) must be satisfied” with the inequality

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \dots + \delta_N \geq k$$

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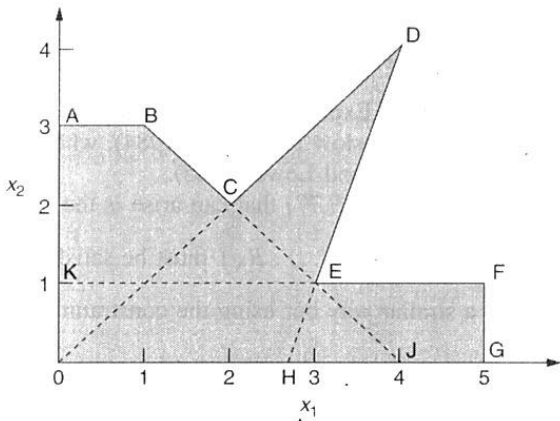
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Given a situation where we have three 0-1 binary variables, δ_1 , δ_2 , and δ_3 , and we want to model the following condition

$$\delta_1 = \delta_2 \delta_3$$

This can be done with the following inequalities:

$$\delta_1 \leq \delta_2$$

$$\delta_1 \leq \delta_3$$

$$\delta_1 \geq \delta_2 + \delta_3 - 1$$

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Consider the following integer program

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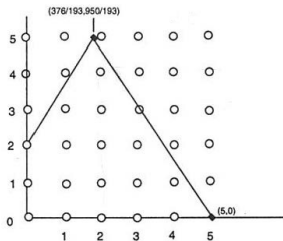


Fig. 1.1 Rounding the LP

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- Do / Don't do Decisions. For example, if we want to decide whether or not to invest in a certain project, we can define the following binary variable:

$$x = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if we decide to invest in the project,} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Example: The 0-1 Knapsack Problem⁷. There is a budget b available for investment in projects during the coming year and n projects are under consideration, where a_j is the outlay for project j , and c_j is its expected return. The goal is to choose a set of projects so that the budget is not exceeded and the expected return is maximized.

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- Objective function:

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Let $M = \{1, \dots, m\}$ be the set of regions, and $N = \{1, \dots, n\}$ the set of potential centers. Let $S_j \subseteq M$ be the regions that can be serviced by a center at $j \in N$, and c_j its installation cost. Then the problem can be formulated as a COP in the following way:

$$\min_{T \subseteq N} \left\{ \sum_{j \in T} c_j : \bigcup_{j \in T} S_j = M \right\}.$$

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The problem can be formulated as a (BIP) in the following way:

$$\text{Let } a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i \in S_j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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$$\sum_{i,j \in S: i \neq j} x_{ij} \leq |S| - 1 \quad S \subset N \quad 2 \leq |S| \leq n - 2$$

- Objective function:

