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- We want to exclude just this one solution but none other. We will add a constraint that will make just this solution infeasible.

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= 9 or less (total)

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IN GENERAL, THE RHS WILL BE THE NUMBER OF VARIABLES - 1

Formulation with All Constraints, Synergy Effect, and Excluding Previous Optimal

maximize $10 y_A + 2 y_B + 4 y_C + 2 y_D + 5 y_E + 4 y_F + 8 y_G + 7 y_H + 6 y_I + 6 y_J + 8 z$

subject to

(binary) z, y_A, y_B, \dots, y_J

(points budget) $200 y_A + 50 y_B + \dots + 100 y_J \leq 1000$

(max credits) $12 y_A + 9 y_B + \dots + 6 y_J \leq 54$

(min credits) $12 y_A + 9 y_B + \dots + 6 y_J \geq 36$

(MW, H3 load) $y_A + y_B + y_E + y_G \leq 3$

(MW H4 load) $y_A + y_B + y_G + 6 y_J \leq 3$

(TR H3 load) $y_C + y_D + y_I \leq 3$

(TR H4 load) $y_C + y_D + y_F + y_H \leq 3$

(A B conflict) $y_A + y_B \leq 1$

(B or C required) $y_B + y_C \geq 1$

(E pre-req to H) $y_H \leq y_E$

(Analytics Certificate Synergy)

- $z \leq y_I$
- $z \leq y_J$
- $z \geq y_I + y_J - 1$

(Exclude Previous Optimal Solution)

$$y_A + y_C + y_E + y_G + y_I + y_J + (1 - y_B) + (1 - y_D) + (1 - y_F) + (1 - y_H) \leq 9$$

Updated Excel Solution

Bid on B, C, E, G, H, I, J

DECISIONS	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	Z
Course	0.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

OBJECTIVE

Total utility	46
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CONSTRAINTS

	LHS		RHS
Points budget	730	<=	1,000
Course credit maximum	54	<=	54
Course credit minimum	54	>=	36
Mon, Wed H3 classes	3	<=	3
Tue, Thr H3 classes	2	<=	3
Mon, Wed H4 classes	3	<=	3
Tue, Thr H4 classes	3	<=	3
Do not take A <u>and</u> B	1.0	<=	1
Take either B or C	2.0	>=	1
H requires E	1.0	<=	1
If I not chosen, Z is 0	1.0	<=	1
If J not chosen, Z is 0	1.0	<=	1
If either I or J is chosen, Z is 1	1.0	>=	1
Exclude previous optimal solution	3.0	<=	5
Binary constraints			