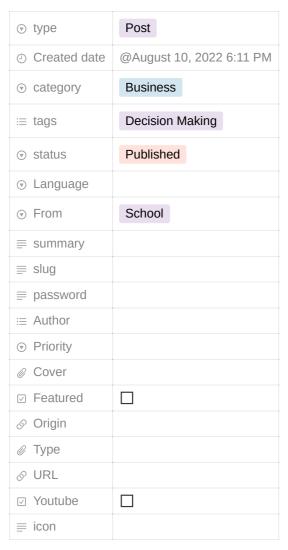
FIT3158 Note - W3 Sensitivity analysis



- ▼ What sorta questions are we answering from the sensitivity report?
 - Amounts by which objective function coefficients can change without changing the optimal solution.
 - The impact on the optimal objective function value of changes in constrained resources.
 - The impact on the optimal objective function value of forced changes in decision variables.
 - The impact changes in constraint coefficients will have on the optimal solution.
- ▼ Excel notation (Answer report) optimal solution, final value of decision variables, resource usage



Non-negativity conditions

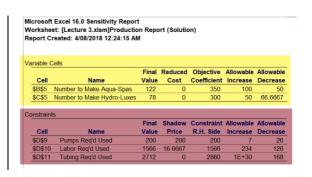
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 - X₁= Aqua-spas = 122
 - $-X_2$ = Hydro-Luxe = 78
 - The optimal value of the objective function = \$66,100
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 - Resource constraints- Which are binding/non-binding (i.e. which resources are all used up and which are not.)
 - Pumps and labour are binding.
 - Tubing is non-binding.
 - Non-negativity constraints: Both decision variables (Aqua-spas and Hydro-Luxes) are greater than their lower bound of zero.
- ▼ Excel notation (Sensitivity report) 1) Adjustable cells final value, reduced cost, allowable increase/decrease; 2) Constraints – final value, shadow price, allowable increase/decrease;

The sensitivity report consists of 2 sections: The variable cells section What happens when we change the values of the coefficients in the objective function - What happens if we include variables which are not part of the optimal solution The constraints section What happens to the value of the objective function if we increase (or decrease) the amount of available resources



▼ Variable section



Further explanation of Reduced Costs Def.:



- Products whose marginal profits are less than the marginal value of the goods required for their production will not be produced in an optimal solution (unless a constraint forces the product to be produced)
- Reduced costs tell us by how much we would have to increase the profitability of an item before it would be included in the optimal solution (for a maximisation problem). And vice-versa for a minimisation problem.
- Tells the amount by which each objective function coefficient can change without affecting the optimal solution assuming all other coefficients remain constant.

 Max. increase in profit for Aqua-Spas is \$100 Max. decrease in profit for Aqua-Spas is \$500 Max. decrease in profit for Aqua



Alternate Optimal Solutions

Note: Values of zero (0) in "Allowable Increase" or "Allowable Decrease" columns for the Changing Cells indicate that an alternate optimal solution exists



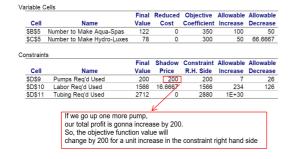
e.g. (122,78) and (174,0) are both optimal

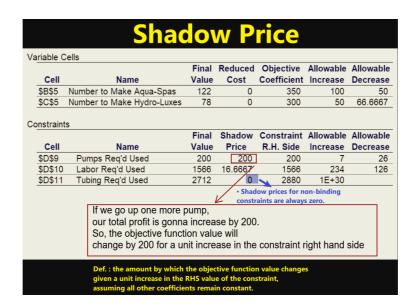
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▼ Constraint section

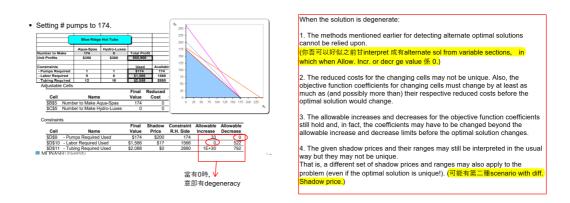
▼ Why is the shadow price always 0 when constraint = Non-binding?
(because adding more of resource that has not been used up is no help!



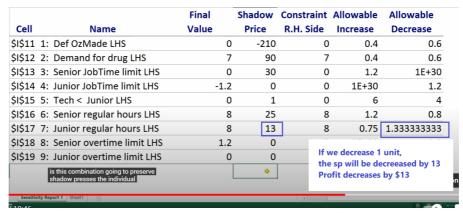




▼ Degenerate



▼ The 100% Rule determines if the current solution remains optimal, when more than one objective function coefficient changes.



Now, we can examine if the allowable dec/inc is changed *per resource*, how much will it affect our obj. function (e.g., profit).

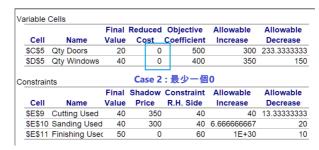
<u>Problem</u>: But what if I wanna examine the if the current solution remains optimal WHEN there is more than one objective function coefficient changes?

Solution: Then we need The 100% rule.

Two situations could arise when applying this rule:

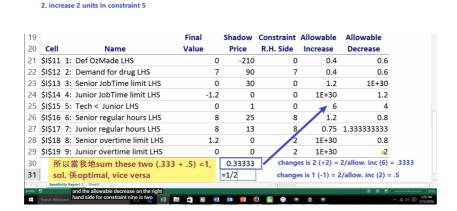
Let's say we wanna see if the sol. remains optimal, if we 1. decrease 1 unit in constraint 9

 Case 1. All variables whose objective function coefficients change have nonzero reduced costs. (全部RC 唔係0)



Case 2. At least one variable whose objective function coefficient changes has a reduced cost of zero.

How to perform:



▼ Excel notation (Limits report) — how the objective function varies as each variable ranges between its limits;

Target					
Cell	Name	Value			
\$D\$6	Unit Profits Total Profit	\$66,100			

Cell	Adjustable Name	Value	Lower Limit	Target Result	Upper Limit	Target Result
\$B\$5	Number to Make Aqua-Spas	122	0	23400	122	66100
\$C\$5	Number to Make Hydro-Luxes	78	0	42700	78	66100

Summarises the value of the objective function as each variable cell ranges through its limits (and the others remain constant).

▼ To be studied further:

- Comments About Changes in Constraint RHS Values (p.25 p. 27)
- Further explanation of Reduced Costs

 $The \ reduced \ cost \ for \ each \ product = \\ (its \ per-unit \ marginal \ profit) - (the \ per-unit \ value \ of \ the \ resources \ it \ consumes \\ (priced \ at \ their \ shadow \ prices).$

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