

OPTIMIZATION

FROM MINIMIZING

LINEAR PROGRAMMING

LINEAR FUNCTION OF  $n$  VARIABLES  
 $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

IS OF THE FORM

$$b_1 x_1 + b_2 x_2 + \dots + b_n x_n$$

SCOPE  
COST  
(#)

VARIABLE

AN LP IS AN OPTIMIZATION  
PROBLEM WITH AN OBJECTIVE,  
AND CONSTRAINTS, THAT ARE  
ALL LINEAR FUNCTIONS.

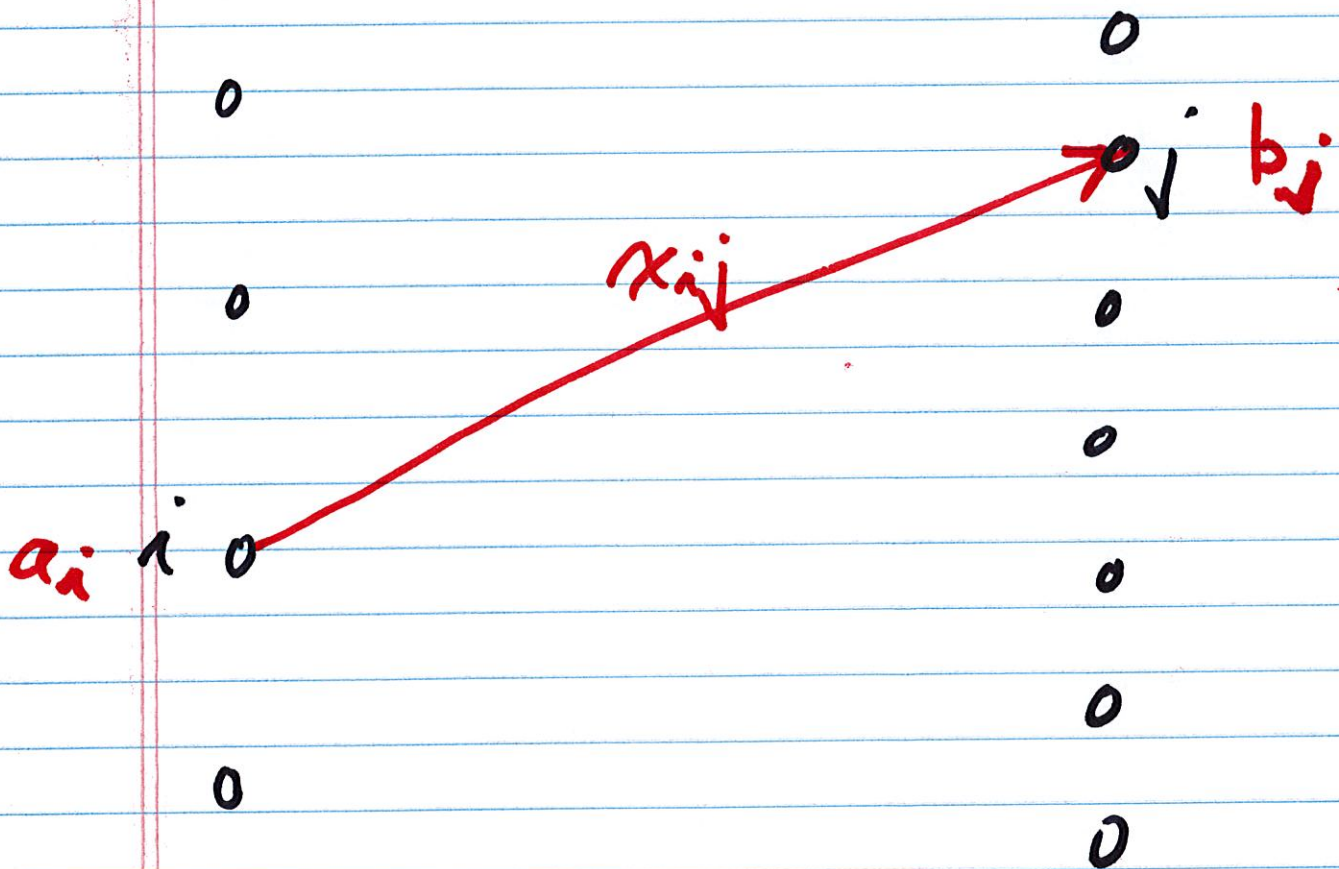
EQUALITIES AND/OR INEQ.

# EX: TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM [BUILDING BLOCK FOR LOGISTICS]

IDEA:  $m$  SOURCES  
 $n$  DESTINATIONS

HAVE AN AMOUNT

$x_{ij}$  MOVED FROM SOURCE  
 $i$  TO DESTINATION  $j$





OBJECTIVE

$$\min \sum_{i,j} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

UNIT COST FOR UNIT  
MOVED FROM SOURCE  $i$   
TO DEST.  $j$

CONSTRAINTS

VERSION 1

$$\sum_j x_{ij} = a_i \quad \text{FOR EACH } i$$

MOVE IT ALL OUT

$$\sum_i x_{ij} \leq b_j \quad \text{FOR EACH } j$$

CAPACITY AT DESTINATIONS

VERSION 2

WAREHOUSES  $\rightarrow \sum_j x_{ij} \leq a_i$  CANNOT EXCEED SUPPLY

DISTRIBUTION NETWORK

$$\sum_i x_{ij} = b_j \quad \text{SATISFY DEMAND}$$

RETAILERS  
"NON-NEGATIVE"

$$x_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \text{ALL } i, j$$



# LP: SENSITIVITY REPORT

EX: TROPIC SUN

## VARIABLES

	FINAL VALUE	REDUCED COST	OBJ COEFF	ALLOW +	ALLOW -
MI DURA → UCMA	200,000 ✓	0 ↑ SKIP FOR NOW...	21 ✓	27	∞

ALLOWABLE INCREASE/DECREASE:  
RANGE in which changes to  
a SINGLE OBJ COEFF DO  
NOT CHANGE SOLUTION OF  
PROBLEM

↑  
VALUES OF  
VARIABLES

WHAT ABOUT CHANGING  
MORE THAN ONE OBJ.  
COEFF?



CAN APPLY "100% RULE"

$$\text{IF } \sum_{\text{VARIABLES}} \frac{\text{CHANGE}}{\text{RANGE}} \leq 1$$

OBS COEFF  
CORRESPONDING  
ALLOWABLE +/-

THEN SOLUTION STAYS SAME

EX DISTANCE  
MT DORT → OCEANA  
21 → 24

MT DORA → ORLANDO  
50 → 49

$$\sum \frac{\text{CHANGE}}{\text{RANGE}} = \frac{+3}{27} + \frac{1}{2} < 1$$

INCREASES      DECREASES

⇒ SOLUTION SAME ✓

EFFECT ON OBJECTIVE?

$$\begin{aligned} & 3 [\text{MT DORT} \rightarrow \text{OCEANA}] - 1 [\text{MT DORA} \rightarrow \text{ORLANDO}] \\ & = 3 [200,000] - 1 [0] = \underline{\underline{600,000}} \end{aligned}$$



## SECOND PART... CONSTRAINTS

	VALUE	SHADOW PRICE	CONSTRAINT RHS	ALLOW +	ALLOW -
RECEIVED → UCALA	200,000 ✓	-27	200,000 ✓	75,000	50,000

SHADOW PRICE: CHANGE IN OBJ VALUE PER UNIT INCREASE IN CONSTRAINT RHS

ALLOW +/-: RANGE FOR MODIFYING ONE RHS OVER WHICH SHADOW PRICE HOLDS.

WHAT ABOUT CHANGING MORE THAN ONE RHS?

100% RULE:

$$\text{IF } \sum_{\text{CONSTRAINTS}} \frac{\text{CHANGE}}{\text{RANGE}} \leq 1$$

← CONSTRAINT RHS  
← CORRESPONDING ALLOWANCE +/-

THEN SHADOW PRICES HOLD, AND EFFECTS ARE ADDITIVE



EX: MT DUA SHIPPED

275,000 → 300,000

OSMA CAPACITY

200,000 → 190,000

$$\sum \frac{\text{CHANGE}}{\text{RANGE}} = \frac{25,000}{50,000} + \frac{10,000}{50,000} < 1$$

↑                      ↑  
ALLOW +                  ALLOW -

✓

EFFECT ON OBJECTIVE

$$4P(25,000) - 27(-10,000)$$

1,470,000      R-MT

REDUCED COSTS?

SHADOW PRICE FOR A  
TIGHT BOUND CONSTRAINT  
[US-ALL NOT-NEGATIVITY]

# SPECIAL CASE OF TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM

$$m = n$$

$$a_i = 1, i = 1 \dots n$$

$$b_j = 1, j = 1 \dots n$$

## ASSIGNMENT, OR MATCHING PROBLEM

EX: 2-SIDED 
 WORKERS  $\rightarrow$  JOBS  
 MEN  $\leftrightarrow$  WOMEN  
 MEDICAL PATIENTS  $\leftrightarrow$  RESIDENCY SEATS
  "MARRIAGE"

PISTONS  $\rightarrow$  BONES

$\rightarrow$  CP simulation -

BIG EFFECT OF  
ORDERING PISTONS

+ BONES  
CAN THIS BE EXPLAINED??



YET

CONSIDER AN ALIGNMENT  
PROBLEM WITH NUMBERS

$p_1 \dots p_m$

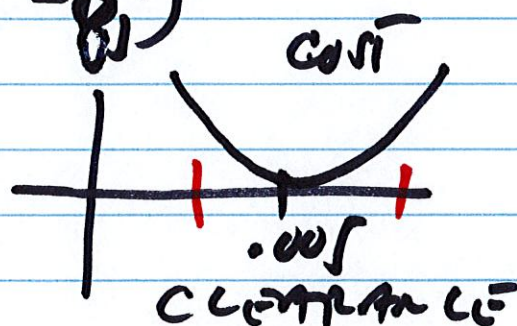
EX: PISTON DIAMETER

$g_1 \dots g_m$

EX: ROSE DIAMETER  
-.005

$$C_{ij} = (p_i - g_j)^2$$

IDEA:



COULD SOLVE ALIGNMENT  
PROBLEM TO GET MATCHING  
WITH MIN  $\sum_{i,j} (p_i - g_j)^2 x_{ij}$

FACT

CAN PROVE THAT SOLUTION  
IS TO ORDER

$$p_1 \leq p_2 \leq \dots \leq p_m$$

$$g_1 \leq g_2 \leq \dots \leq g_m$$

$$\text{SET } x_{ii} = 1 \quad i = 1 \dots m$$