Assignment 12

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1 QUESTION No. 2.36

(Diet problem) A dietician has to develop a special diet using two foods P and Q. Each packet (containing 30 g) of food P contains 12 units of calcium, 4 units of iron, 6 units of cholesterol and 6 units of vitamin A. Each packet of the same quantity of food Q contains 3 units of calcium, 20 units of iron, 4 units of cholesterol and 3 units of vitamin A. The diet requires at least 240 units of calcium, at least 460 units of iron and at most 300 units of cholesterol. How many packets of each food should be used to minimise the amount of vitamin A in the diet ? What is the minimum amount of vitamin A ?

2 SOLUTION

Component	P	Q	Requirement
Calcium	12 units	3 units	≥ 240 units
Iron	4 units	20 units	≥ 460 units
Cholesterol	6 units	4 units	≤ 300 units
Vitamin A	6 units	3 units	

TABLE 2.1: Diet Requirements

Let the number of packets of food P be x and the number of packets of food Q be y such that

$$x \geq 0 \qquad (2.0.1)$$
$$y \geq 0 \qquad (2.0.2)$$

According to the question,

$$12x + 3y \geq 240 \qquad (2.0.3)$$
$$\implies -4x - y \leq -80 \qquad (2.0.4)$$
$$(2.0.5)$$

and,

$$4x + 20y \geq 460 \qquad (2.0.6)$$
$$\implies -x - 5y \leq -115 \qquad (2.0.7)$$

and,

$$6x + 4y \leq 300 \qquad (2.0.8)$$
$$\implies 3x + 2y \leq 150 \qquad (2.0.9)$$
$$(2.0.10)$$

$\therefore$ Our problem is

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} Z = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \qquad (2.0.11)$$

$$s.t. \quad \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \\ -1 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \leq \begin{pmatrix} -80 \\ -115 \\ 150 \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.0.12)$$

$$-\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0} \qquad (2.0.13)$$

Lagrangian function is given by

$$
\begin{aligned}
L(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) &= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \left[\begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 80 \right] \lambda_1 \\
&+ \left[\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 115 \right] \lambda_2 + \left[\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 150 \right] \lambda_3 \\
&+ \left[\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \right] \lambda_4 + \left[\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \right] \lambda_5
\end{aligned}
$$
$$(2.0.14)$$

Now,

$$\nabla L(\mathbf{x}, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 6 + \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \lambda_i \\ 3 + \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -5 & 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \lambda_i \\ \begin{pmatrix} -4 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 80 \\ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} + 115 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} - 150 \\ \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \end{pmatrix} \qquad (2.0.15)$$

∴ Lagrangian matrix is given by

$$
\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & -4 & -1 & 3 & -1 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & -1 & -5 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\
-4 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-1 & -5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
3 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
-6 \\ -3 \\ -80 \\ -115 \\ 150 \\ 0 \\ 0
\end{pmatrix}
$$

(2.0.16)

Considering λ_1, λ_2 as only active multiplier,

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\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & -4 & -1 \\
0 & 0 & -1 & -5 \\
-4 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
-1 & -5 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
-6 \\ -3 \\ -80 \\ -115
\end{pmatrix}
$$

(2.0.17)

resulting in,

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & -4 & -1 \\
0 & 0 & -1 & -5 \\
-4 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\
-1 & -5 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}^{-1}
\begin{pmatrix}
-6 \\ -3 \\ -80 \\ -115
\end{pmatrix}
$$

(2.0.18)

$$
\implies \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
0 & 0 & \frac{-5}{19} & \frac{1}{19} \\
0 & 0 & \frac{1}{19} & \frac{-4}{19} \\
\frac{-5}{19} & \frac{1}{19} & 0 & 0 \\
\frac{1}{19} & \frac{-4}{19} & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}
\begin{pmatrix}
-6 \\ -3 \\ -80 \\ -115
\end{pmatrix}
$$

(2.0.19)

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\implies \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \lambda_i \end{pmatrix}
=
\begin{pmatrix}
15 \\ 20 \\ \frac{27}{19} \\ \frac{6}{19}
\end{pmatrix}
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(2.0.20)

∵ $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 > 0$

∴ Optimal solution is given by

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\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}
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(2.0.21)

$$
Z = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}
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(2.0.22)

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= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix}
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(2.0.23)

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= 150
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(2.0.24)

By using cvxpy in python ,

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\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 14.99999999 \\ 20.00000001 \end{pmatrix}
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(2.0.25)

$$
Z = 150.00000001
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(2.0.26)

Hence , $\boxed{x = 15}$ packets of food P and $\boxed{y = 20}$ packets of food Q should be used to minimise the amount of vitamin A in the diet and the minimum
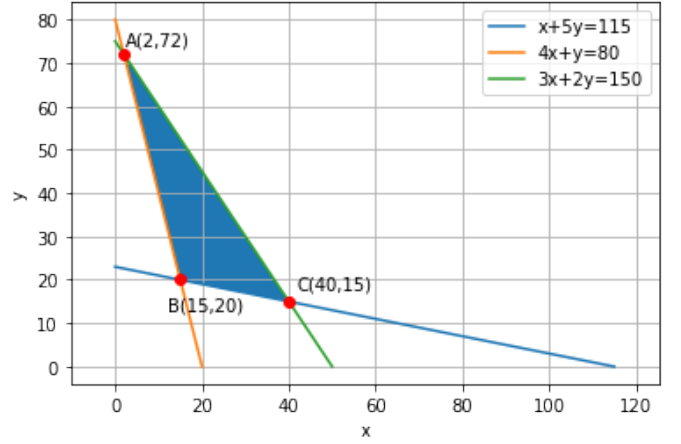
amount of vitamin A is $\boxed{Z = 150}$ units .

Fig. 2.1: Diet Problem