

Ice Cream Maker's Problem

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Single Machine Model

Definitions

- \mathcal{N} : Set of N ice cream flavors
- \mathbf{A} : Matrix of allowed production orders where A_{ij} is 1 if flavor $j \in \mathcal{N}$ can be made immediately after flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$ without cleaning, and 0 otherwise
- T : Number of time steps or allowable batches
- q_i : Required number of batches of flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$

Decision Variables

- x_{it} : Equals 1 if flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$ is made in period t , 0 otherwise
- y_t : Equals 1 if the machine is cleaned before period t , 0 otherwise

Formulation

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x,y}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_{t=1}^T y_t \\ & \text{subject to} && \sum_{i=1}^N x_{it} \leq 1 && \forall t = 1, \dots, T \\ & && \sum_{t=1}^T x_{it} \geq q_i && \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \\ & && \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} x_{jt} + y_t \geq x_{i,t-1} && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, t = 2, \dots, T \\ & && x_{it} \in \{0, 1\} && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, t = 1, \dots, T \\ & && y_t \in \{0, 1\} && \forall t = 1, \dots, T. \end{aligned}$$

Multi-Machine Model

Definitions

- \mathcal{N} : Set of N ice cream flavors
- \mathcal{M} : Set of M available ice cream machines
- \mathbf{A} : Matrix of allowed production orders where A_{ij} is 1 if flavor $j \in \mathcal{N}$ can be made immediately after flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$ without cleaning, and 0 otherwise
- T : Number of time steps or allowable batches
- q_i : Required number of batches of flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$

Decision Variables

- x_{imt} : Equals 1 if flavor $i \in \mathcal{N}$ is made in machine $m \in \mathcal{M}$ in period t , 0 otherwise

- y_{mt} : Equals 1 if machine m is cleaned before period t , 0 otherwise

Formulation

$$\begin{aligned}
& \underset{x,y}{\text{minimize}} && \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{m=1}^M y_{mt} \\
& \text{subject to} && \sum_{i=1}^N x_{imt} \leq 1 && \forall m \in \mathcal{M}, t = 1, \dots, T \\
& && \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{m=1}^M x_{imt} \geq q_i && \forall i \in \mathcal{N} \\
& && \sum_{j=1}^N A_{ij} x_{jmt} + y_{mt} \geq x_{im,t-1} && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, \forall m \in \mathcal{M}, t = 2, \dots, T \\
& && x_{imt} \in \{0, 1\} && \forall i \in \mathcal{N}, m \in \mathcal{M}, t = 1, \dots, T \\
& && y_{mt} \in \{0, 1\} && \forall m \in \mathcal{M}, t = 1, \dots, T.
\end{aligned}$$