

# Black Blend Formulation

The statement of the use case is on Mip Wise's website: [mipwise.com/use-cases/black-blend](https://mipwise.com/use-cases/black-blend).

The following diagram summarizes the data of the problem.

 Black Blend Flow

## Decision Variables

- $x_{ij}$  - Amount of raw grain procured from supplier  $i = 1, 2, 3$  to be processed at facility  $j = 1, 2$ .

## Constraints

- Capacity of Supplier 1:

$$x_{11} + x_{12} \leq 1000.$$

- Capacity of Supplier 2:

$$x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 3000.$$

- Capacity of Supplier 3:

$$x_{31} + x_{32} \leq 2000.$$

- Capacity of Facility 1:

$$x_{11} + x_{21} + x_{31} \leq 2500.$$

- Capacity of Facility 2:

$$x_{12} + x_{22} + x_{32} \leq 3000.$$

## Objective

Observe that revenue, procurement cost, and processing cost are given by the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{revenue} &= 0.8 \cdot 25 \cdot (x_{11} + x_{12} + x_{21} + x_{22} + x_{31} + x_{32}) \\ \text{procurementCost} &= 6 \cdot (x_{11} + x_{12}) + 7 \cdot (x_{21} + x_{22}) + 5 \cdot (x_{31} + x_{32}) \\ \text{processingCost} &= 10 \cdot (x_{11} + x_{21} + x_{31}) + 12 \cdot (x_{12} + x_{22} + x_{32}) \end{aligned}$$

Since the objective is to maximize the total profit, we have:

$$\max \text{revenue} - \text{procurementCost} - \text{processingCost}.$$

## Final formulation

$$\begin{aligned}
\max \quad & 4x_{11} + 2x_{12} + 3x_{21} + x_{22} + 5x_{31} + 3x_{32} \\
\text{s.t.} \quad & x_{11} + x_{12} \leq 1000, \\
& x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 3000, \\
& x_{31} + x_{32} \leq 2000, \\
& x_{11} + x_{21} + x_{31} \leq 2500, \\
& x_{12} + x_{22} + x_{32} \leq 3000, \\
& x_{11}, x_{21}, x_{31}, x_{12}, x_{22}, x_{32} \geq 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{1}$$