

scheduling_analysis_example

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```
[1]: import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from matplotlib.dates import DateFormatter
from IPython.display import Image
import seaborn as sns
```

```
[2]: %matplotlib inline
```

1 A Basic Tactical Scheduling Analysis Example

The multiweek tour scheduling model (MWTS) was developed to use for *tactical scheduling analysis* problems. The focus of such problems is on evaluation and comparison of different staff scheduling policies and practices. Metrics for comparison might include overall staffing costs, understaffing levels, and schedule quality. Tactical scheduling models are not really intended for use in the ongoing process of creating tour schedules for a fixed cohort of staff - a process we call *operational scheduling*. However, tactical scheduling models such as MWTS do indeed produce actual multiweek tour schedules. These schedules supplement broader model output metrics such as staffing costs by showing concrete examples of how a given scheduling policy might actually be implemented in practice. So, let's see an example of a basic tactical scheduling analysis problem in which we evaluate the relative merits of various mixes of full and part-time tours and use of multiple shift lengths.

This notebook is **not** intended to be a in-depth description of the MWTS model. For that, see our paper preprint at - [LINK TO PAPER](#). Instead, we are just showing how such a model gets used in practice. Single week versions of this model were used in numerous real scheduling analysis projects and the technical details of that model can be found in this earlier paper:

Isken, Mark W. "An implicit tour scheduling model with applications in healthcare." *Annals of Operations Research* 128.1-4 (2004): 91-109.

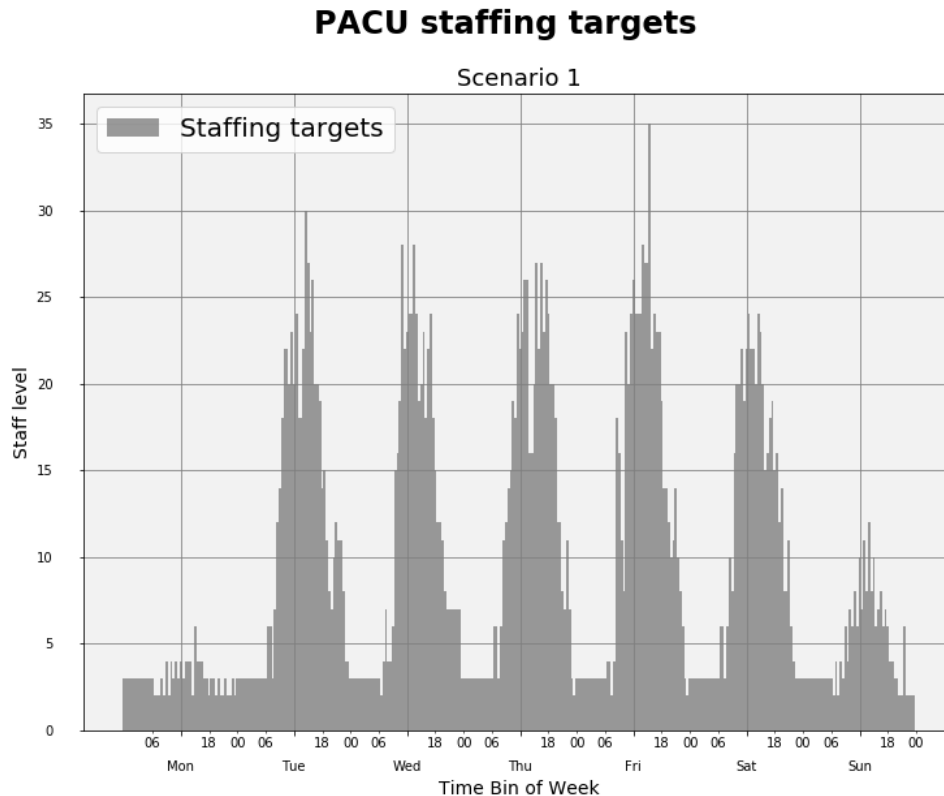
1.1 The PACU staffing targets

For this example, we will use staffing requirements from a hospital post-anesthesia care unit (PACU). Let's assume that staffing level targets by half-hour for each day of the week have al-

ready been set from some previous analysis. As you can see from the following plot, PACU staffing targets exhibit significant time of day and day of week effects.

```
[3]: # Plot of PACU demand
Image(filename="pacu_staffing_targets.png")
```

[3]:



1.2 Tour types

Currently our PACU is staffed with full-time nurses who each work five, eight-hour shifts, each week. Let's call this *tour type 1*, or TT1 for short. We would like to consider using other tour types such as part-time tours or the use of ten-hour shifts. For this example, we are going to look at combinations of the following three tour types:

- TT1 - full-time, five eight-hour shifts worked each week
- TT2 - part-time, five eight-hour shifts worked every other week (with a minimum of two and a maximum of three shifts worked each week)
- TT3 - full-time, four ten-hour shifts worked each week

We are curious if the use of TT2 and/or TT3 will allow us to better meet the variable staffing targets of our PACU.

1.3 Other scheduling policy parameters

We are only varying the mix of tour types in this example. Other scheduling inputs are held fixed across the different scenarios. These inputs include:

- **Scheduling horizon** - Four weeks, each day is made up of forty-eight half-hour periods
- **Allowable shift start times** - Shifts can start on any half hour of the day except those resulting in a shift ending between midnight and 5am. Within each tour, each shift starts at the same time each day.
- **Staffing costs** - Just using a sum of number of periods scheduled. The model can handle different tour type specific costs but we won't consider that here.
- **Understaffing costs** - We put relatively high penalties on understaffing.
- **Weekend policies** - People can work a maximum of four weekend days over four weeks and maximum of two weekends in which at least one of the days is worked.

1.4 Scenario analysis

Let's look at a few different combinations of allowable tour types and see how they compare in terms of total staffing costs as well as in the amount of understaffing. For each scenario we have created a data input file in the well known [AMPL compatible DAT format](#). We will generate and solve the MWTS model for each scenario and compare the outputs.

1.4.1 Technical preamble

If you want to get this notebook and associated data files and try this for yourself, you'll need to do a few things. This notebook assumes you are already comfortable with using Python (the [Anaconda distribution](#) is recommended) and familiar with optimization software (e.g. CBC, glpk, or Gurobi), git, Github, installing Python programs using pip, Python virtual environments, and running programs from a command shell. I use Ubuntu Linux and this example is Linux based. Of course you can just read through the notebook to get the gist of it.

- Need to have either CBC, glpk or Gurobi installed and available to use as the mixed-integer programming solver
- Clone or download the source code from <https://github.com/misken/pymwts>
- Open a command shell in the main project director `pymwts/`.

It is recommended to create a virtual environment within which to install `pymwts` to avoid adding such tools to your base Python environment. Then just use `pip` to install it and navigate to the `examples/` subfolder after installation is complete. The `pymwts` package depends on a few other Python packages, namely, [pandas](#) and [pyomo](#). Both of these will get installed automatically if they aren't already installed.

- pip install .
- cd examples

This notebook and the data files are in this examples/ folder and the examples/input/ subfolder, respectively.

After installing pymwts, you can run it from a command shell. Let's run it with the -h flag to get the help info about pymwts.

```
[4]: !pymwts -h
```

```
usage: pymwts [-h] [-p PATH] [-s {cbc,glpk,gurobi}] [-t TIMELIMIT] [-g MIPGAP]
            [--version]
            scenario phase1dat
```

Solve a multi-week tour scheduling problem.

positional arguments:

scenario	Short string to be used in output filenames
phase1dat	DAT file for phase 1

optional arguments:

-h, --help	show this help message and exit
-p PATH, --path PATH	Relative path to output file directory. Terminate with /
-s {cbc,glpk,gurobi}, --solver {cbc,glpk,gurobi}	cbc, glpk or gurobi for now
-t TIMELIMIT, --timelimit TIMELIMIT	seconds
-g MIPGAP, --mipgap MIPGAP	Can prevent really long run times.
--version	show program's version number and exit

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```
[5]: !pymwts --version
```

```
pymwts 0.1.0
```

1.4.2 Big picture of the solution process

TODO: Diagram of models and data files and solvers and such...

1.4.3 Scenario 1 - TT1 only

In this first scenario we will only use TT1 tour types (full-time, five eight-hour shifts per week). This scenario represents the case of the least scheduling flexibility that we'll consider in this analysis. The AMPL data

file is named scenario1_tt1.dat and is in the input/ subdirectory. The scenario name will be scenario1_tt1. We'll set a timelimit of 600 seconds and set the mipgap to 2%. We will specify that the output files should get written to the output/ subdirectory. I'm using the Gurobi solver (academic edition). When we run this, we'll see a bunch of output generated by Pyomo, by the solver, and by various pieces of the pymwts package. In addition, numerous output files are generated and we'll be using some of these in our analysis. We'll know that everything solved correctly if the last bit of output to the screen is 'Output files created'.

```
[6]: !pymwts scenario1_tt1 ./input/scenario1_tt1.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600
      ↪-g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/', phase1dat='./input/scenario1_tt1.dat',
scenario='scenario1_tt1', solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario1_tt1
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

```
*** Setting up the solver.
```

```
*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model
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```
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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmp0kky1ksk.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.06 seconds
x13672: 16024 rows, 13672 columns, 141709 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
  Prev: 0.0001  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 16024 rows, 13672 columns and 141709 nonzeros
Variable types: 9409 continuous, 4263 integer (0 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]
  Objective range   [6e+00, 2e+01]
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]
  RHS range         [1e+00, 1e+05]
Presolve removed 10597 rows and 8996 columns
```

Presolve time: 0.14s

Presolved: 5427 rows, 4676 columns, 33017 nonzeros

Variable types: 1380 continuous, 3296 integer (416 binary)

Root relaxation: objective 1.641319e+04, 5708 iterations, 0.82 seconds

Nodes		Current Node			Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node	Time
	0	0	16413.1892	0	951	- 16413.1892	-	-	1s
	0	0	16413.8824	0	735	- 16413.8824	-	-	1s
	0	0	16413.9241	0	801	- 16413.9241	-	-	1s
	0	0	16413.9429	0	835	- 16413.9429	-	-	1s
	0	0	16413.9623	0	843	- 16413.9623	-	-	2s
H	0	0			130928.00000	16413.9623	87.5%	-	2s
	0	0	16413.9623	0	734	130928.000	16413.9623	87.5%	2s
H	0	0			16464.000000	16413.9623	0.30%	-	3s

Cutting planes:

Gomory: 5

Explored 1 nodes (7337 simplex iterations) in 3.01 seconds

Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 2: 16464 130928

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)

Best objective 1.646400000000e+04, best bound 1.641396226313e+04, gap 0.3039%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpbxm1d489.pyomo.lp

Reading time = 0.02 seconds

x4321: 2785 rows, 4321 columns, 24481 nonzeros

Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02

Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001

```

Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 2785 rows, 4321 columns and 24481 nonzeros
Variable types: 1 continuous, 4320 integer (4320 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]
  Objective range   [1e+00, 1e+00]
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]
  RHS range         [1e+00, 3e+02]
Presolve removed 2785 rows and 4321 columns
Presolve time: 0.01s
Presolve: All rows and columns removed

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.02 seconds
Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 960

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 9.600000000000e+02, best bound 9.600000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

```

Scenario 1 summary A number of output files get created by pymwts. Here's a listing:

```
[7]: !ls output/scenario1*
```

```

output/scenario1_tt1.log
output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_capsum.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_results.yml
output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_shiftsum.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_summary.txt
output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_tourskeleton.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2.dat
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_ftesum.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_mwt.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_results.yml
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_summary.txt
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_toursum.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_tourtypesum.csv
output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_tur.csv
output/scenario1_tt1.tur

```

Let's look at the FTE (full time equivalent) summary:

```
[8]: ftesum_1 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_ftesum.csv')
      ftesum_1
```

```
[8]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \
0         48      15360         960      7680.0      48.0    12800

      sched_eff  tot_periods_us      scenario
0    0.833333      168.0  scenario1_tt1
```

A total of 48 tours were created. Since each tour is a full-time person, we see that this scenario results in a total of 48.0 FTEs. There's a similar output file that includes the same measures broken down by tour type. Obviously, this will be more useful in subsequent scenarios in which we use multiple tour types.

```
[9]: tourtypesum_1 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario1_tt1_phase2_tourtotypesum.csv')
      tourtypesum_1
```

```
[9]:   tourtype  num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  \
0         1         48      15360         960      7680.0      48.0

      scenario
0  scenario1_tt1
```

Let's also show a plot of scheduled capacity superimposed on the underlying staffing targets (for one week).

```
[10]: # Plot of cap and demand
capacity1_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario1_tt1_phase1_capsum.csv')
capacity1_df = capacity1_df.loc[capacity1_df['week'] == 1]
capacity1_df = capacity1_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])
capacity1_df
```

```
[10]:   period  day  week  dmd  cap  us1  us2  ustot
0         1    1     1    3  2.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
28        2    1     1    3  2.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
56        3    1     1    3  2.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
84        4    1     1    3  2.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
112       5    1     1    3  2.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
...
1228     44    7     1    6  5.0  1.0  0.0     1.0
1256     45    7     1    2  4.0 -0.0  0.0     0.0
1284     46    7     1    2  3.0  0.0  0.0     0.0
1312     47    7     1    2  3.0 -0.0  0.0     0.0
1340     48    7     1    2  2.0  0.0  0.0     0.0
```

[336 rows x 8 columns]

Since we will want to do one plot per scenario, we'll create a plotting function that we can reuse.

```
[11]: def capacity_plot(capacity_df, scenario_title, ax):

    # Create a list to use as the X-axis values
    #-----

    timestamps = pd.date_range('01/05/2015', periods=336, freq='30Min')

    major_tick_locations = pd.date_range('01/05/2015 12:00:00', periods=7,
    ↪freq='24H').tolist()
    minor_tick_locations = pd.date_range('01/05/2015 06:00:00', periods=28,
    ↪freq='6H').tolist()

    # Specify the mean occupancy and percentile values
    #-----
    staffing_target = capacity_df['dmd']
    capacity = capacity_df['cap']

    # Styling of bars, lines, plot area
    #-----

    # Style the bars for staffing targets
    bar_color = 'grey'
    bar_opacity = 0.8

    # Style the line for the scheduled capacity
    cap_line_style = '-'
    cap_color = '#dd4814'
    cap_line_width = 1

    # Set the background color of the plot. Argument is a string float in
    # (0,1) representing greyscale (0=black, 1=white)
    ax.patch.set_facecolor('0.95')

    # Can also use color names or hex color codes
    # ax2.patch.set_facecolor('yellow')
    # ax2.patch.set_facecolor('#FFFFAD')

    # Add data to the plot
    #-----

    # Staffing targets as bars
    ax.bar(timestamps.values, staffing_target, color=bar_color,
    ↪alpha=bar_opacity, label='Staffing targets', width=1/48)
```

```

# Scheduled capacity
ax.plot(timestamps.values, capacity, linestyle=cap_line_style,
→linewidth=cap_line_width, color=cap_color, \
        label='Scheduled capacity')

# Create formatter variables
dayofweek_formatter = DateFormatter('%a')
qtrday_formatter = DateFormatter('%H')

# Set the tick locations for the axes object

ax.set_xticks(major_tick_locations)
ax.set_xticks(minor_tick_locations, minor=True)

# Format the tick labels
ax.xaxis.set_major_formatter(dayofweek_formatter)
ax.xaxis.set_minor_formatter(qtrday_formatter)

# Slide the major tick labels underneath the default location by 20 points
ax.tick_params(which='major', pad=20)

# Add other chart elements
#-----

# Set plot and axis titles
ax.set_title(scenario_title, fontsize=18)
ax.set_xlabel('Time Bin of Week', fontsize=14)
ax.set_ylabel('Staff level', fontsize=14)

# Gridlines
ax.grid(True, color='0.5')

# Legend
leg = ax.legend(loc='best', frameon=True, fontsize=20)
leg.get_frame().set_facecolor('white')

return ax

```

Now we can call our function to create the capacity plot for Scenario 1.

```

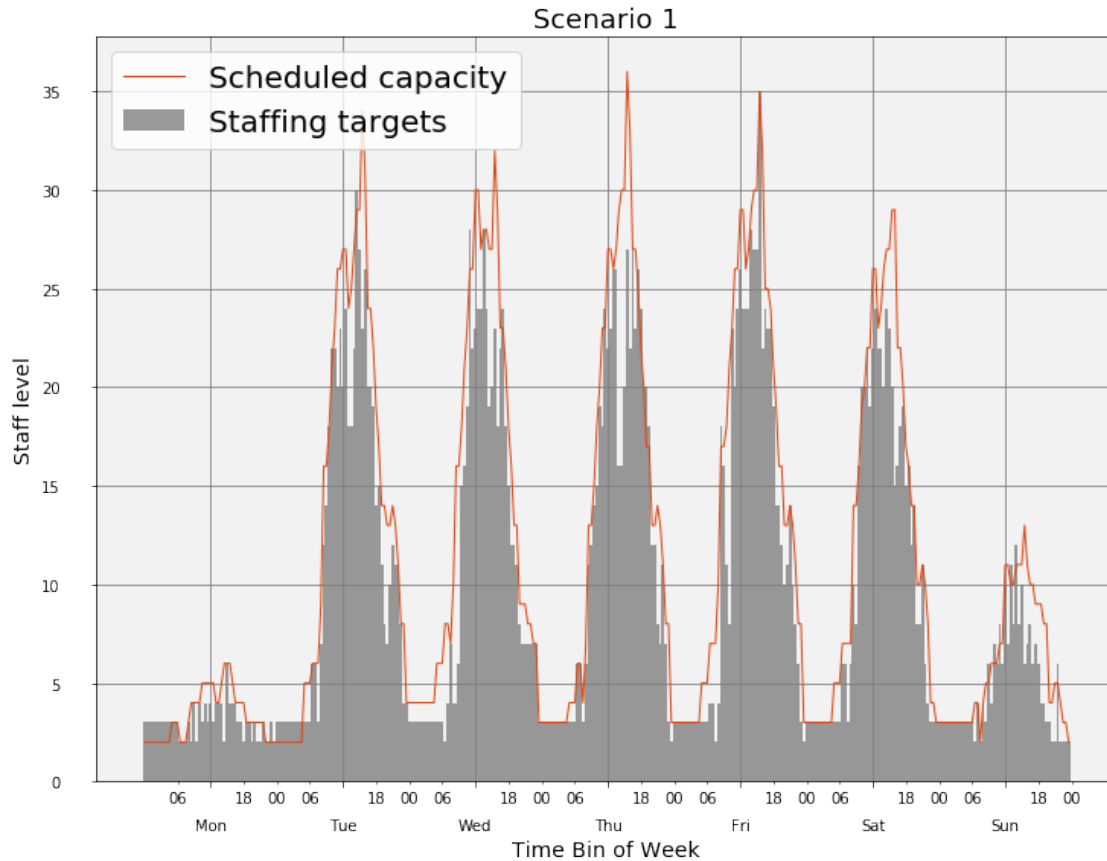
[12]: # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
fig1 = plt.figure()
fig1.set_size_inches(12, 9)
fig1.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
→fontweight='bold')

```

```
ax1 = fig1.add_subplot(1,1,1)

capacity_plot(capacity1_df, 'Scenario 1', ax1);
```

Scheduled capacity and staffing targets



Note that there's quite a bit of overstaffing due to the lack of flexibility of only being allowed to use full-time, eight-hour tours. Now, let's move on to the next scenario.

1.4.4 Scenario 2 - TT1 and TT2

In addition to TT1, we now allow part-time staff through TT2. A limit on the total percentage of scheduled hours attributable to TT2 was set to 40%. As part-time tour types provide additional flexibility in meeting highly variable demand patterns, we often end up with solutions using almost all part-time tours, which might not be practical nor desirable.

```
[13]: !pymwts scenario2_tt12 ./input/scenario2_tt12.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600
      ↪-g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/', phase1dat='./input/scenario2_tt12.dat',
scenario='scenario2_tt12', solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario2_tt12
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

```
*** Setting up the solver.
```

```
*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model
```

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```

```
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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmp_mxxkzqj.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.15 seconds
x18834: 22639 rows, 18834 columns, 362863 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
  Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
  Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 22639 rows, 18834 columns and 362863 nonzeros
Variable types: 9409 continuous, 9425 integer (0 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]
  Objective range   [6e+00, 2e+01]
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]
  RHS range         [1e+00, 1e+05]
Presolve removed 14187 rows and 12005 columns
Presolve time: 0.74s
Presolved: 8452 rows, 6829 columns, 202567 nonzeros
Variable types: 1828 continuous, 5001 integer (192 binary)

Root relaxation: objective 1.508607e+04, 12750 iterations, 3.96 seconds
Total elapsed time = 5.21s
```

Nodes		Current Node		Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node Time

	0	0	15086.0670	0	851	-	15086.0670	-	-	5s
H	0	0			707308.00000	15086.0670	97.9%	-	-	6s
	0	0	15086.0670	0	848	707308.000	15086.0670	97.9%	-	10s
H	0	0			15390.000000	15086.0670	1.97%	-	-	13s

Explored 1 nodes (15115 simplex iterations) in 13.37 seconds
Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 2: 15390 707308

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 1.539000000000e+04, best bound 1.508606698945e+04, gap 1.9749%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpe7imvlju.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.02 seconds
x6998: 3771 rows, 6998 columns, 38886 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 3771 rows, 6998 columns and 38886 nonzeros
Variable types: 1 continuous, 6997 integer (6997 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
Objective range [1e+00, 1e+00]
Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
RHS range [1e+00, 3e+02]
Presolve removed 3771 rows and 6998 columns
Presolve time: 0.02s
Presolve: All rows and columns removed

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.02 seconds
Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 930

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)

Best objective 9.300000000000e+02, best bound 9.300000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

Scenario 2 summary

```
[14]: ftesum_2 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario2_tt12_phase2_ftesum.csv')
      ftesum_2
```

```
[14]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \
0         65      14880         930      7440.0      46.5    12800

      sched_eff  tot_periods_us      scenario
0    0.860215         71.0  scenario2_tt12
```

```
[15]: tourtypesum_2 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario2_tt12_phase2_tourtypesum.csv')
      tourtypesum_2
```

```
[15]:   tourtype  num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  \
0         1         28         8960         560      4480.0      28.0
1         2         37         5920         370      2960.0      18.5

      scenario
0  scenario2_tt12
1  scenario2_tt12
```

The ability to use part-time tours resulted in a savings of 1.5 FTEs. Note that the maximum level (40%) of part-time staff was used in the solution.

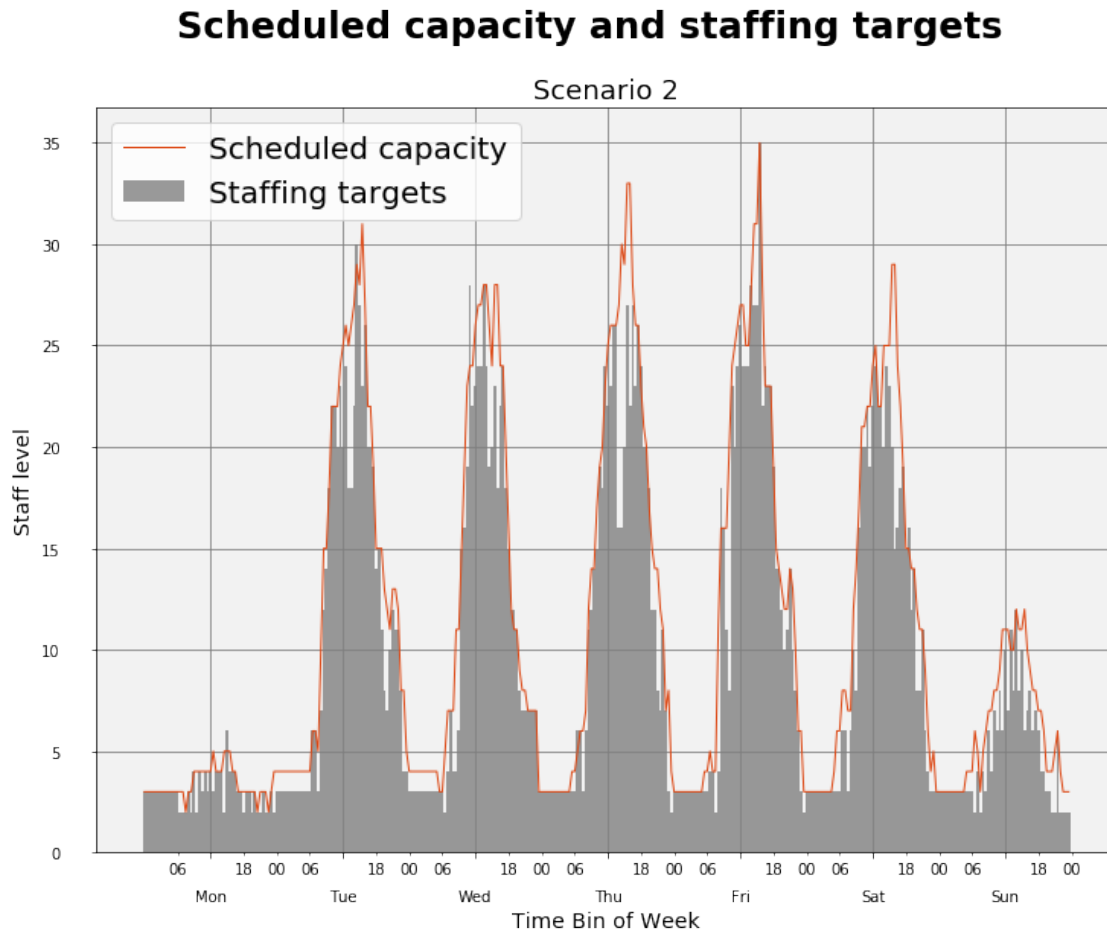
Create the capacity plot.

```
[18]: # Plot of cap and demand
      capacity2_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario2_tt12_phase1_capsum.csv')
      capacity2_df = capacity2_df.loc[capacity2_df['week'] == 1]
      capacity2_df = capacity2_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])
```

```
[19]: # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
      fig2 = plt.figure()
      fig2.set_size_inches(12, 9)
```

```
fig2.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
↪fontweight='bold')
ax2 = fig2.add_subplot(1,1,1)

capacity_plot(capacity2_df, 'Scenario 2', ax2);
```



Comparing this plot to the first plot, we see a large reduction in overstaffing. Actually, understaffing appears to be significantly reduced as well. The addition of part-time tours has helped us match the highly variable PACU demand profile.

1.4.5 Scenario 3 - TT1, TT2, and TT3

Now let's add a full-time ten-hour tour type to the mix. Perhaps the additional flexibility of a second shift length will let us match the demand variability more closely.

```
[20]: !pymwts scenario3_tt123 ./input/scenario3_tt123.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600 -g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/',  
phase1dat='./input/scenario3_tt123.dat', scenario='scenario3_tt123',  
solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario3_tt123
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

```
*** Setting up the solver.
```

```
*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model
```

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```

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmp7zp3hzac.pyomo.lp  
Reading time = 0.19 seconds  
x23097: 29253 rows, 23097 columns, 491159 nonzeros  
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02  
  Prev: 0.0001  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 0.0001  
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0  
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100  
Optimize a model with 29253 rows, 23097 columns and 491159 nonzeros  
Variable types: 9409 continuous, 13688 integer (0 binary)  
Coefficient statistics:  
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]  
  Objective range   [6e+00, 2e+01]  
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]  
  RHS range         [1e+00, 1e+05]  
Presolve removed 16803 rows and 14040 columns  
Presolve time: 0.89s  
Presolved: 12450 rows, 9057 columns, 232016 nonzeros  
Variable types: 1476 continuous, 7581 integer (368 binary)
```

```
Root simplex log...
```

Iteration	Objective	Primal Inf.	Dual Inf.	Time
12952	1.4585883e+04	6.519507e+03	0.000000e+00	5s

18186 1.4625005e+04 0.000000e+00 0.000000e+00 7s

Root relaxation: objective 1.462500e+04, 18186 iterations, 6.20 seconds

Nodes		Current Node			Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node	Time
	0	0	14625.0045	0	1497	- 14625.0045	-	-	7s
H	0	0			130888.00000	14625.0055	88.8%	-	9s
	0	0	14625.0055	0	1480	130888.000	14625.0055	88.8%	- 10s
	0	2	14625.0055	0	1478	130888.000	14625.0055	88.8%	- 16s
	19	22	14626.0497	5	1492	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	475 20s
	46	50	14627.8102	8	1382	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	531 25s
	62	62	14626.6468	10	1545	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	531 30s
	73	77	14626.6468	11	1544	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	612 35s
	106	102	14627.4600	18	1403	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	624 42s
	149	149	14628.7527	22	1370	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	696 50s
	198	199	14633.2967	27	1445	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	693 63s
	218	221	14637.4706	29	1392	130888.000	14625.8043	88.8%	698 75s
H	236	234			18114.000000	14625.8043	19.3%	714	75s
	264	265	14637.3718	38	1395	18114.0000	14625.8043	19.3%	764 86s
H	286	265			17528.000000	14625.8043	16.6%	736	86s
H	328	329			17510.000000	14625.8043	16.5%	741	101s
H	348	348			17112.000000	14625.8043	14.5%	729	101s
	390	393	14647.6923	69	1381	17112.0000	14625.8043	14.5%	740 117s
H	446	443			17100.000000	14625.8043	14.5%	749	134s
H	458	456			17082.000000	14625.8043	14.4%	756	134s
H	493	492			16998.000000	14625.8043	14.0%	753	134s
	510	511	14655.1425	84	1351	16998.0000	14625.8043	14.0%	751 149s
H	559	549			16992.000000	14625.8043	13.9%	740	149s
H	579	570			16980.000000	14625.8043	13.9%	736	149s
	589	594	14660.1380	97	1396	16980.0000	14625.8043	13.9%	734 166s
H	621	608			16920.000000	14625.8043	13.6%	737	166s
	666	668	14668.8269	106	1277	16920.0000	14625.8043	13.6%	734 184s
H	673	668			16896.000000	14625.8043	13.4%	733	184s
	742	740	14676.4440	114	1236	16896.0000	14625.8043	13.4%	736 200s
H	763	755			16884.000000	14625.8043	13.4%	738	200s
H	786	778			16842.000000	14625.8043	13.2%	742	200s
	824	825	14684.0859	124	1171	16842.0000	14625.8043	13.2%	735 215s
H	826	825			16818.000000	14625.8043	13.0%	735	215s
H	843	843			15300.000000	14625.8043	4.41%	738	215s
	900	902	14695.9476	134	1373	15300.0000	14625.8043	4.41%	739 231s
H	910	902			15288.000000	14625.8043	4.33%	736	231s
H	975	966			15156.000000	14625.8043	3.50%	730	231s
	984	985	14704.7328	150	1226	15156.0000	14625.8043	3.50%	728 249s
H	1058	1041			15150.000000	14625.8043	3.46%	720	249s
H	1077	1061			15032.000000	14625.8043	2.70%	719	249s
	1079	1076	14724.2742	171	1020	15032.0000	14625.8043	2.70%	721 265s

H 1104	1076				15026.000000	14625.8043	2.66%	715	265s	
H 1154	1127				14942.000000	14625.8043	2.12%	699	265s	
	1204	1207	14733.0725	213	929	14942.0000	14625.8043	2.12%	702	280s
H 1230	1207				14930.000000	14625.8043	2.04%	700	280s	
	1344	1344	14744.4494	242	749	14930.0000	14625.8043	2.04%	679	294s
H 1434	1408				14918.000000	14625.8043	1.96%	653	294s	

Explored 1558 nodes (1012770 simplex iterations) in 294.48 seconds
Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 10: 14918 14930 14942 ... 16818

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 1.491800000000e+04, best bound 1.462580434361e+04, gap 1.9587%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpxppx763d.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.02 seconds
x6877: 3713 rows, 6877 columns, 38221 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 3713 rows, 6877 columns and 38221 nonzeros
Variable types: 1 continuous, 6876 integer (6876 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
Objective range [1e+00, 1e+00]
Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
RHS range [1e+00, 3e+02]
Presolve removed 3713 rows and 6877 columns
Presolve time: 0.02s
Presolve: All rows and columns removed

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.02 seconds

Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 824

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)

Best objective 8.240000000000e+02, best bound 8.240000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

Scenario 3 summary As we see below, the addition of TT3 allowed a reduction of 0.5 FTEs and a reduction in the number of understaffed periods. The ability to use different shift lengths will often help in matching highly variable demand patterns.

```
[21]: ftesum_3 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3_tt123_phase2_ftesum.csv')
      ftesum_3
```

```
[21]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \
0         64        14720         824      7360.0        46.0   12800

      sched_eff  tot_periods_us      scenario
0    0.869565          33.0  scenario3_tt123
```

```
[22]: tourtypesum_3 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3_tt123_phase2_tourtypesum.csv')
      tourtypesum_3
```

```
[22]:   tourtype  num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  \
0         1          4        1280         80      640.0         4.0
1         2         36       5760        360     2880.0        18.0
2         3         24       7680        384     3840.0        24.0

      scenario
0  scenario3_tt123
1  scenario3_tt123
2  scenario3_tt123
```

```
[23]: # Plot of cap and demand
      capacity3_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3_tt123_phase1_capsum.csv')
      capacity3_df = capacity3_df.loc[capacity3_df['week'] == 1]
      capacity3_df = capacity3_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])
```

```
[24]: # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
      fig3 = plt.figure()
```

```

fig3.set_size_inches(12, 9)
fig3.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
    ↳fontweight='bold')
ax3 = fig3.add_subplot(1,1,1)

capacity_plot(capacity3_df, 'Scenario 3', ax3);

```



1.4.6 Scenario 4 - TT1 and TT3

Finally, let's consider a scenario in which only full-time tours are allowed - TT1 and TT3.

```

[22]: !pymwts scenario4_tt13 ./input/scenario4_tt13.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600
    ↳-g 0.02

```

```

Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/', phase1dat='./input/scenario4_tt13.dat',
scenario='scenario4_tt13', solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)

```

*** Scenario scenario4_tt13

*** Phase 1 model instance created.

*** Setting up the solver.

*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpn_9ebqls.pyomo.lp

Reading time = 0.14 seconds

x22457: 31302 rows, 22457 columns, 412833 nonzeros

Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02

Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001

Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0

Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100

Optimize a model with 31302 rows, 22457 columns and 412833 nonzeros

Variable types: 9409 continuous, 13048 integer (0 binary)

Coefficient statistics:

Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]

Objective range [6e+00, 2e+01]

Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]

RHS range [1e+00, 1e+05]

Presolve removed 22465 rows and 16141 columns

Presolve time: 0.29s

Presolved: 8837 rows, 6316 columns, 57790 nonzeros

Variable types: 1612 continuous, 4704 integer (300 binary)

Root relaxation: objective 1.522959e+04, 10704 iterations, 3.98 seconds

Nodes		Current Node		Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node Time
	0	0	15229.5871	0	1292	- 15229.5871	-	- 4s
H	0	0			800548.00000	15229.5871	98.1%	- 5s
	0	0	15229.5871	0	1292	800548.000	15229.5871	98.1% - 5s
	0	2	15229.5871	0	1292	800548.000	15229.5871	98.1% - 8s
	7	12	15242.7940	3	1249	800548.000	15233.1321	98.1% 710 10s
	44	47	15258.5027	8	1292	800548.000	15238.0804	98.1% 827 15s
H	60	61			18434.000000	15238.0804	17.3%	783 16s
	98	98	15271.0482	16	1125	18434.0000	15238.0804	17.3% 662 20s
H	126	125			17338.000000	15238.0804	12.1%	562 20s
H	193	194			15466.000000	15238.0804	1.47%	422 23s

Explored 198 nodes (94378 simplex iterations) in 23.31 seconds
 Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 4: 15466 17338 18434 800548

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
 Best objective 1.546600000000e+04, best bound 1.523808035675e+04, gap 1.4737%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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 Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmp4prxos3i.pyomo.lp
 Reading time = 0.01 seconds
 x4231: 3287 rows, 4231 columns, 25287 nonzeros
 Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
 Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
 Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
 Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
 Optimize a model with 3287 rows, 4231 columns and 25287 nonzeros
 Variable types: 1 continuous, 4230 integer (4230 binary)
 Coefficient statistics:
 Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
 Objective range [1e+00, 1e+00]
 Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
 RHS range [1e+00, 3e+02]
 Presolve removed 3239 rows and 4079 columns
 Presolve time: 0.03s
 Presolved: 48 rows, 152 columns, 488 nonzeros
 Variable types: 0 continuous, 152 integer (152 binary)

Root relaxation: interrupted, 0 iterations, 0.00 seconds

Nodes		Current Node			Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node	Time
H	0	0			828.0000000	828.00000	0.00%	-	0s

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.04 seconds
 Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 828

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
 Best objective 8.280000000000e+02, best bound 8.280000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

Scenario 4 summary The addition of TT3 to TT1 leads to a 1.0 FTE savings from Scenario 1 but is a higher cost solution than Scenario 2. Of course, Scenario 3 will have the lowest cost as it has the maximum level of scheduling flexibility considered in this analysis.

```
[25]: ftesum_4 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario4_tt13_phase2_ftesum.csv')
```

```
[26]: tourtypesum_4 = pd.read_csv('output/scenario4_tt13_phase2_tourtypesum.csv')
      tourtypesum_4
```

```
[26]:
```

	tourtype	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	\
0	1	19	6080	380	3040.0	19.0	
1	3	28	8960	448	4480.0	28.0	

```

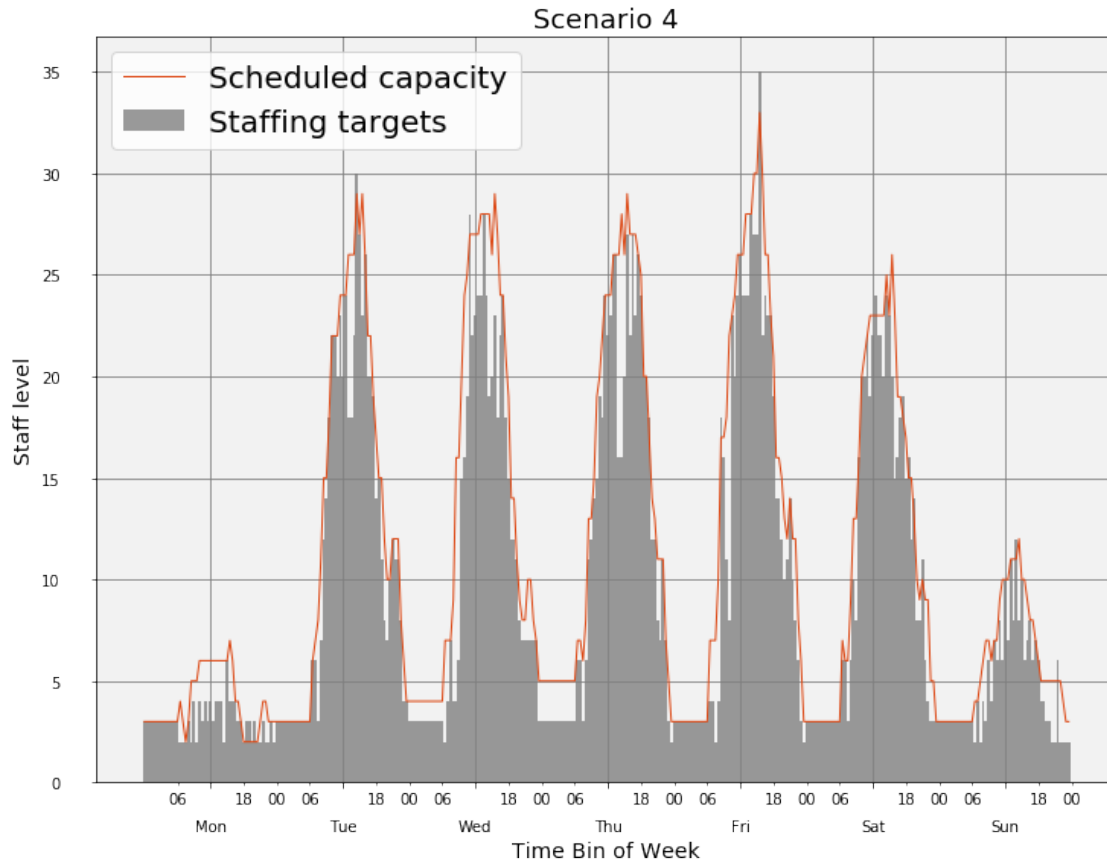
          scenario
0  scenario4_tt13
1  scenario4_tt13
```

```
[27]: # Plot of cap and demand
      capacity4_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario4_tt13_phase1_capsum.csv')
      capacity4_df = capacity4_df.loc[capacity4_df['week'] == 1]
      capacity4_df = capacity4_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])
```

```
[28]: # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
      fig4 = plt.figure()
      fig4.set_size_inches(12, 9)
      fig4.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
                    fontweight='bold')
      ax4 = fig4.add_subplot(1,1,1)

      capacity_plot(capacity4_df, 'Scenario 4', ax4);
```

Scheduled capacity and staffing targets



Let's look at all four FTE summaries:

```
[29]: ftesum = pd.concat([ftesum_1, ftesum_2, ftesum_3, ftesum_4], ignore_index=True)
      ftesum
```

```
[29]:
```

	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	tot_dmd	\
0	48	15360	960	7680.0	48.0	12800	
1	65	14880	930	7440.0	46.5	12800	
2	64	14720	824	7360.0	46.0	12800	
3	47	15040	828	7520.0	47.0	12800	

	sched_eff	tot_periods_us	scenario
0	0.833333	168.0	scenario1_tt1
1	0.860215	71.0	scenario2_tt12
2	0.869565	33.0	scenario3_tt123
3	0.851064	67.0	scenario4_tt13

No surprises. Scenario 3, which has the highest level of scheduling flexibility, not only has the lowest staffing level (tot_ftes) (equivalently, highest level

of scheduling efficiency), it also has the lowest total number of periods of understaffing (`tot_periods_us`).

1.4.7 Example schedules

Let's look at the actual four-week schedule for Scenario 3.

```
[30]: schedule3_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3_tt123_phase2_mwt.csv')
```

Here's what the raw mwt file looks like. Each row is a tour. There are a few summary values for each tour in the first seven columns. These are followed by the shift worked on each day of the four weeks. An ``x'` signifies not working that day.

```
[31]: schedule3_df
```

```
[31]:
```

	tournum	tourtype	tot_shifts	tot_periods	startwin	tot_hours	tot_ftes	\
0	1	2	10	160	11	80.0	0.5	
1	2	3	16	320	11	160.0	1.0	
2	3	2	10	160	12	80.0	0.5	
3	4	3	16	320	12	160.0	1.0	
4	5	3	16	320	13	160.0	1.0	
..	
59	60	2	10	160	43	80.0	0.5	
60	61	3	16	320	43	160.0	1.0	
61	62	2	10	160	44	80.0	0.5	
62	63	2	10	160	47	80.0	0.5	
63	64	2	10	160	48	80.0	0.5	

	Su-1	Mo-1	Tu-1	...	Th-3	Fr-3	Sa-3	Su-4	Mo-4	\
0	x	0500-1300	0500-1300	...	x	x	x	x	0500-1300	
1	x	x	0500-1500	...	0500-1500	x	x	x	0500-1500	
2	x	x	0530-1330	...	x	0530-1330	x	x	0530-1330	
3	x	x	0530-1530	...	0530-1530	0530-1530	x	x	0530-1530	
4	x	x	0600-1600	...	0600-1600	0600-1600	x	x	0600-1600	
..	
59	x	x	x	...	x	2100-0500	x	x	2100-0500	
60	x	2100-0700	2100-0700	...	2100-0700	x	x	x	2100-0700	
61	x	x	2130-0530	...	x	2130-0530	x	x	x	
62	x	2300-0700	x	...	x	2300-0700	x	x	2300-0700	
63	x	2330-0730	x	...	2330-0730	x	x	x	2330-0730	

	Tu-4	We-4	Th-4	Fr-4	Sa-4
0	x	x	0500-1300	0500-1300	x
1	0500-1500	0500-1500	x	0500-1500	x
2	x	x	0530-1330	0530-1330	x
3	0530-1530	0530-1530	x	0530-1530	x

```

4   0600-1600  0600-1600  0600-1600          x   x
..          ...          ...          ...   ...
59          x  2100-0500  2100-0500          x   x
60  2100-0700  2100-0700  2100-0700          x   x
61  2130-0530  2130-0530          x  2130-0530   x
62  2300-0700          x  2300-0700          x   x
63  2330-0730  2330-0730          x          x   x

```

[64 rows x 35 columns]

Now we'll add a little styling to the schedule.

```

[32]: # Use tournum for the index
schedule3_df.set_index('tournum', inplace=True)
# Create a list of column indices to display. Just display tour type and the
# schedule.
col_list = [0]
col_list = col_list + [i for i in range(6, 34)]

```

Several different ways to do styling globally and based on cell value (conditional formatting). The following links are useful.

https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/user_guide/style.html

<https://python-graph-gallery.com/python-colors/>

```

[33]: def highlight(s):
        """
        Highlight tour row based on tour type.
        """
        if s.tourtype == 1:
            return ['background-color: wheat']*len(s)
        elif s.tourtype == 2:
            return ['background-color: khaki']*len(s)
        else:
            return ['background-color: beige']*len(s)

```

```

[34]: # Set table level styles by first creating list of dictionaries with CSS
# selector as key and
# list of property tuples
table_styles = [
    dict(selector="th", props=[("font-size", "6pt"),
                               ("text-align", "center")]),
    dict(selector="td", props=[("font-size", "6pt"),
                               ("text-align", "center")])
]

# Apply the table styles and row highlighting

```

```
schedule3_df.iloc[:, col_list].style.set_table_styles(table_styles).  
    ↪ apply(highlight, axis=1)
```

```
[34]: <pandas.io.formats.style.Styler at 0x7fb2baf80490>
```

```
[35]: schedule3_html = schedule3_df.iloc[:, col_list].style.  
    ↪ set_table_styles(table_styles).apply(highlight, axis=1).render()
```

```
[36]: with open('schedule3.html', "w") as f:  
    f.write(schedule3_html)
```

1.5 Scenario 3a - Enhancements to Scenario 3

Let's allow just a little intra-tour start time flexibility. In particular, shift start times can vary by one half-hour from day to day. For example, a tour assigned to the start window at 8a, could have shifts that start at 8a or 8:30a every day.

```
[37]: !pymwts scenario3a_tt123 ./input/scenario3a_tt123.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t  
    ↪ 600 -g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/',  
phase1dat='./input/scenario3a_tt123.dat', scenario='scenario3a_tt123',  
solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario3a_tt123
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

```
*** Setting up the solver.
```

```
*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model
```

```
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```

```
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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpw75hp8xq.pyomo.lp  
Reading time = 0.26 seconds  
x22321: 30657 rows, 22321 columns, 557807 nonzeros  
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
```

Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
 Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
 Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
 Optimize a model with 30657 rows, 22321 columns and 557807 nonzeros
 Variable types: 9409 continuous, 12912 integer (0 binary)
 Coefficient statistics:
 Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
 Objective range [6e+00, 2e+01]
 Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
 RHS range [1e+00, 1e+05]
 Presolve removed 14485 rows and 11170 columns
 Presolve time: 1.11s
 Presolved: 16172 rows, 11151 columns, 300420 nonzeros
 Variable types: 1420 continuous, 9731 integer (396 binary)

 Deterministic concurrent LP optimizer: primal and dual simplex
 Showing first log only...

Root simplex log...

Iteration	Objective	Primal Inf.	Dual Inf.	Time
10570	1.2308243e+05	0.000000e+00	5.635881e+06	5s
18334	8.1152702e+04	0.000000e+00	4.741168e+07	10s
25014	3.7454331e+04	0.000000e+00	1.111644e+08	15s
30472	1.9434494e+04	0.000000e+00	1.743091e+07	20s
35065	1.5455226e+04	0.000000e+00	2.217404e+06	25s
38665	1.4886805e+04	0.000000e+00	1.495464e+06	30s
41723	1.4599019e+04	0.000000e+00	4.921192e+05	35s
44814	1.4447573e+04	0.000000e+00	6.775631e+05	40s
47951	1.4385644e+04	0.000000e+00	3.494779e+05	45s
50360	1.4365768e+04	0.000000e+00	7.635857e+05	50s
53427	1.4353376e+04	0.000000e+00	1.751655e+06	55s

Concurrent spin time: 0.01s

Solved with dual simplex

Root relaxation: objective 1.433427e+04, 63680 iterations, 53.63 seconds

Nodes		Current Node		Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node Time
	0	0	14334.2661	0	1911	- 14334.2661	-	- 56s
H	0	0			130848.00000	14334.2661	89.0%	- 61s
	0	0	14334.2661	0	1911	130848.000	14334.2661	89.0% - 62s
	0	2	14334.2661	0	1911	130848.000	14334.2661	89.0% - 73s
	1	4	14334.3259	1	1811	130848.000	14334.2752	89.0% 1430 75s
	7	12	14334.8670	3	1783	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0% 2024 80s

11	16	14334.9202	4	1816	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1533	86s
19	21	14335.1223	5	1873	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	2194	94s
23	26	14335.2894	5	1721	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	2364	97s
28	26	14338.4167	6	1757	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	2346	103s
32	32	14335.9225	6	1748	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	2254	105s
42	43	14341.1095	7	1809	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	2054	114s
47	47	14341.1095	8	1788	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1920	120s
61	63	14346.2632	11	1633	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1865	127s
65	64	14346.5702	12	1706	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1865	130s
83	87	14347.9318	15	1479	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1618	137s
95	97	14349.8634	18	1511	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1540	141s
104	105	14353.5090	20	1725	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1589	147s
108	110	14351.5625	20	1619	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1638	150s
125	126	14352.0909	24	1460	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1554	157s
132	133	14352.3137	26	1464	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1586	165s
142	143	14352.3997	28	1454	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1726	170s
167	168	14354.5903	34	1558	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1630	177s
181	182	14354.5903	36	1558	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1572	181s
189	192	14354.5903	37	1558	130848.000	14334.8670	89.0%	1575	189s
H 190	192				14940.000000	14334.8670	4.05%	1567	189s
	200	201 14355.1487	39	1499	14940.0000	14334.8670	4.05%	1582	195s
	224	226 14355.4874	41	1609	14940.0000	14334.8670	4.05%	1523	210s
H 230	229				14504.000000	14334.8670	1.17%	1508	210s

Explored 234 nodes (419047 simplex iterations) in 210.37 seconds
Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 3: 14504 14940 130848

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 1.450400000000e+04, best bound 1.433486704482e+04, gap 1.1661%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpchw2iyk4.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.05 seconds

```

x8402: 3597 rows, 8402 columns, 53166 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
  Prev: 0.0001  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 3597 rows, 8402 columns and 53166 nonzeros
Variable types: 1 continuous, 8401 integer (8401 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]
  Objective range   [1e+00, 1e+00]
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]
  RHS range         [1e+00, 3e+02]
Presolve removed 3597 rows and 8402 columns
Presolve time: 0.02s
Presolve: All rows and columns removed

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.02 seconds
Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 810

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 8.100000000000e+02, best bound 8.100000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

```

```
[38]: ftesum_3a = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3a_tt123_phase2_ftesum.csv')
```

```
[40]: ftesum_3a
```

```
[40]:
```

	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	tot_dmd	\
0	62	14240	810	7120.0	44.5	12800	

	sched_eff	tot_periods_us	scenario
0	0.898876	42.0	scenario3a_tt123

```
[39]: tourtypesum_3a = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3a_tt123_phase2_tourtotypesum.csv')
tourtypesum_3a
```

```
[39]:
```

	tourtype	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	\
0	1	7	2240	140	1120.0	7.0	
1	2	35	5600	350	2800.0	17.5	
2	3	20	6400	320	3200.0	20.0	

```

        scenario
0  scenario3a_tt123
1  scenario3a_tt123
2  scenario3a_tt123

```

Adding just a little bit of intra-tour start time flexibility led to a savings of 1.5 FTEs at the cost of a small amount of additional understaffing (an increase of nine half-hours over four weeks).

```

[41]: ftesum = pd.concat([ftesum_1, ftesum_2, ftesum_3, ftesum_4, ftesum_3a],
        ↳ ignore_index=True)
ftesum

```

```

[41]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \
0         48        15360         960      7680.0        48.0   12800
1         65        14880         930      7440.0        46.5   12800
2         64        14720         824      7360.0        46.0   12800
3         47        15040         828      7520.0        47.0   12800
4         62        14240         810      7120.0        44.5   12800

```

```

        sched_eff  tot_periods_us        scenario
0  0.833333        168.0  scenario1_tt1
1  0.860215         71.0  scenario2_tt12
2  0.869565         33.0  scenario3_tt123
3  0.851064         67.0  scenario4_tt13
4  0.898876         42.0  scenario3a_tt123

```

```

[44]: # Plot of cap and demand
capacity3a_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3a_tt123_phase1_capsum.csv')
capacity3a_df = capacity3a_df.loc[capacity3a_df['week'] == 1]
capacity3a_df = capacity3a_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])

```

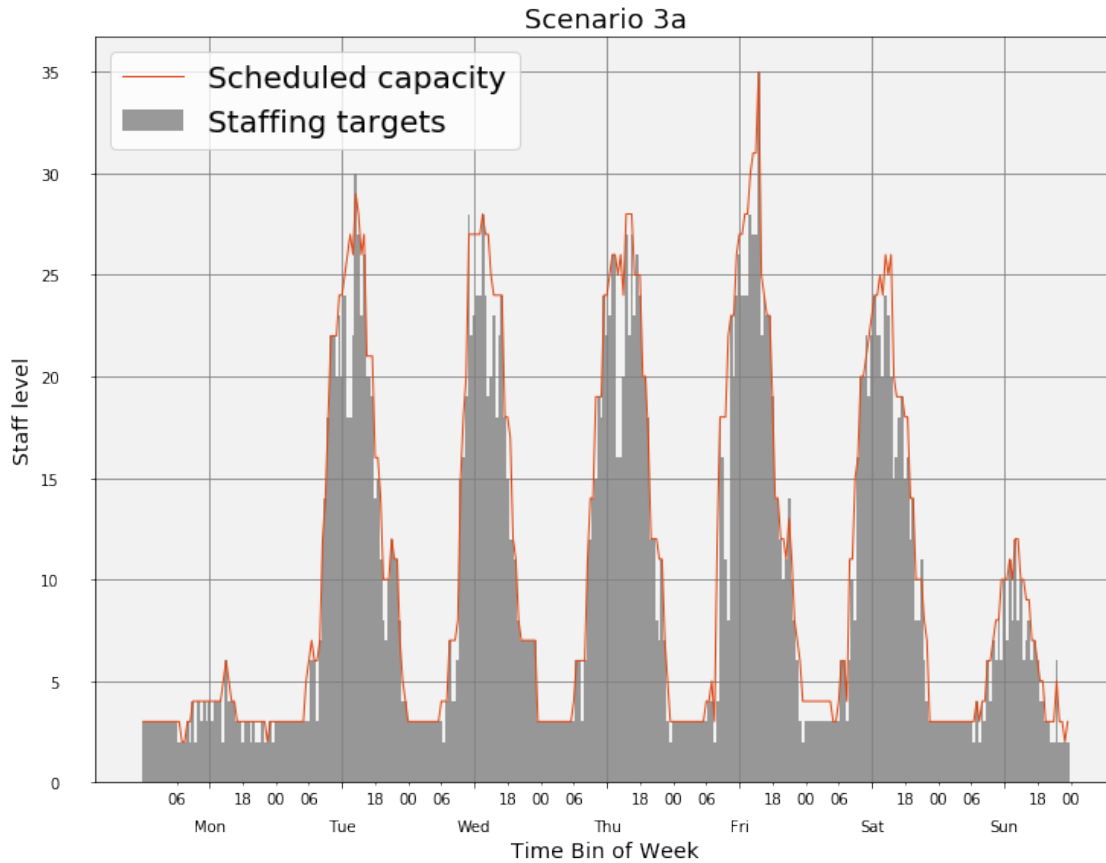
```

[46]: # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
fig3a = plt.figure()
fig3a.set_size_inches(12, 9)
fig3a.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
        ↳ fontweight='bold')
ax3a = fig3a.add_subplot(1,1,1)

capacity_plot(capacity3a_df, 'Scenario 3a', ax3a);

```

Scheduled capacity and staffing targets



Now let's see what happens if still allow the same amount of intra-tour start time flexibility as Scenario 3a, but we set the understaffing costs extremely high to eliminate all understaffing and treating the staffing level targets as hard lower bounds. We'll call this Scenario 3b.

```
[47]: !pymwts scenario3b_tt123 ./input/scenario3b_tt123.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600 -g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/',
phase1dat='./input/scenario3b_tt123.dat', scenario='scenario3b_tt123',
solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario3b_tt123
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

```
*** Setting up the solver.
```


*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpno730izn.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.19 seconds
x22321: 30657 rows, 22321 columns, 557807 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 30657 rows, 22321 columns and 557807 nonzeros
Variable types: 9409 continuous, 12912 integer (0 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
Objective range [2e+01, 5e+04]
Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
RHS range [1e+00, 1e+05]
Presolve removed 14485 rows and 11170 columns
Presolve time: 1.19s
Presolved: 16172 rows, 11151 columns, 300420 nonzeros
Variable types: 1420 continuous, 9731 integer (396 binary)

Deterministic concurrent LP optimizer: primal and dual simplex
Showing first log...

Root simplex log...

Iteration	Objective	Primal Inf.	Dual Inf.	Time
11481	-2.9808582e+09	2.272216e+02	4.026320e+10	5s
17166	5.1464160e+08	0.000000e+00	3.231368e+11	8s
19886	4.8903295e+08	0.000000e+00	3.997527e+10	10s
26564	1.3432775e+08	0.000000e+00	8.014929e+10	15s
34360	9.5062582e+04	0.000000e+00	6.147065e+06	20s
39098	9.2768050e+04	0.000000e+00	4.627427e+06	25s
43088	9.2105812e+04	0.000000e+00	3.647282e+06	30s
46874	9.1472374e+04	0.000000e+00	2.136969e+06	35s

Concurrent spin time: 0.00s

Solved with dual simplex

Root relaxation: objective 1.449067e+04, 36775 iterations, 37.39 seconds
Total elapsed time = 47.71s
Total elapsed time = 51.25s
Total elapsed time = 56.87s

Nodes		Current Node			Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl	Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node	Time
	0	0	14490.6667	0	1130	- 14490.6667	-	-	58s
H	0	0			5.182419e+08	14490.6667	100%	-	61s
	0	0	14490.6667	0	1130	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	64s
	0	2	14490.6667	0	1130	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	96s
	1	4	14490.6667	1	1366	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	6197 102s
	3	8	14490.6667	2	1268	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	4419 110s
	7	12	14490.6667	3	1784	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	4897 118s
	11	16	14490.6667	3	1823	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	5873 143s
	15	20	14490.6667	4	1538	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	8533 159s
	19	18	14490.6667	5	1447	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	8327 162s
	23	23	14490.6667	5	1560	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	7189 165s
	28	29	14490.6667	6	1592	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	6214 176s
	33	34	14490.6667	7	1473	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	6027 180s
	39	40	14490.6667	8	1167	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	5227 185s
	49	52	14490.6667	9	1479	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	4536 195s
	58	61	14490.6667	9	1680	5.1824e+08	14490.6667	100%	4322 210s
H	59	61			204560.00000	14490.6667	92.9%	4249	210s
	69	71	14492.9524	10	1525	204560.000	14490.6667	92.9%	4113 225s
	73	68	14492.9524	11	1386	204560.000	14490.6667	92.9%	4161 238s
	89	94	14493.0909	14	1232	204560.000	14490.6667	92.9%	3866 254s
H	97	96			64560.000000	14490.6667	77.6%	3644	254s
	111	111	14493.0909	16	1084	64560.0000	14490.6667	77.6%	3452 268s
	132	133	14493.7143	19	1046	64560.0000	14490.6667	77.6%	3208 282s
H	139	139			14560.000000	14490.6667	0.48%	3124	282s

Explored 150 nodes (527364 simplex iterations) in 282.24 seconds
Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 4: 14560 64560 204560 5.18242e+08

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 1.456000000000e+04, best bound 1.449066666667e+04, gap 0.4762%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpt077s8u5.pyomo.lp  
Reading time = 0.04 seconds  
x8520: 3655 rows, 8520 columns, 53936 nonzeros  
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02  
  Prev: 0.0001  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 0.0001  
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0  
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100  
Optimize a model with 3655 rows, 8520 columns and 53936 nonzeros  
Variable types: 1 continuous, 8519 integer (8519 binary)  
Coefficient statistics:  
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]  
  Objective range   [1e+00, 1e+00]  
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]  
  RHS range         [1e+00, 3e+02]  
Presolve removed 3655 rows and 8520 columns  
Presolve time: 0.01s  
Presolve: All rows and columns removed  
  
Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.02 seconds  
Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)  
  
Solution count 1: 822  
  
Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)  
Best objective 8.220000000000e+02, best bound 8.220000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%  
  
*** Phase 2 model solved.  
  
*** Output files created.
```

```
[48]: ftesum_3b = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3b_tt123_phase2_ftesum.csv')
```

```
[49]: ftesum_3b
```

```
[49]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \  
0         63      14560         822      7280.0      45.5    12800  
  
   sched_eff  tot_periods_us      scenario
```

```
0    0.879121          0.0  scenario3b_tt123
```

```
[50]: tourtypesum_3b= pd.read_csv('output/scenario3b_tt123_phase2_tourtypesum.csv')
      tourtypesum_3b
```

```
[50]:   tourtype  num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  \
0         1          6        1920         120       960.0         6.0
1         2         35        5600         350      2800.0        17.5
2         3         22        7040         352      3520.0        22.0
```

```

          scenario
0  scenario3b_tt123
1  scenario3b_tt123
2  scenario3b_tt123
```

```
[52]: ftesum = pd.concat([ftesum_3, ftesum_3a, ftesum_3b], ignore_index=True)
      ftesum
```

```
[52]:   num_tours  tot_periods  tot_shifts  tot_hours  tot_ftes  tot_dmd  \
0         64        14720         824       7360.0        46.0    12800
1         62        14240         810       7120.0        44.5    12800
2         63        14560         822       7280.0        45.5    12800
```

```

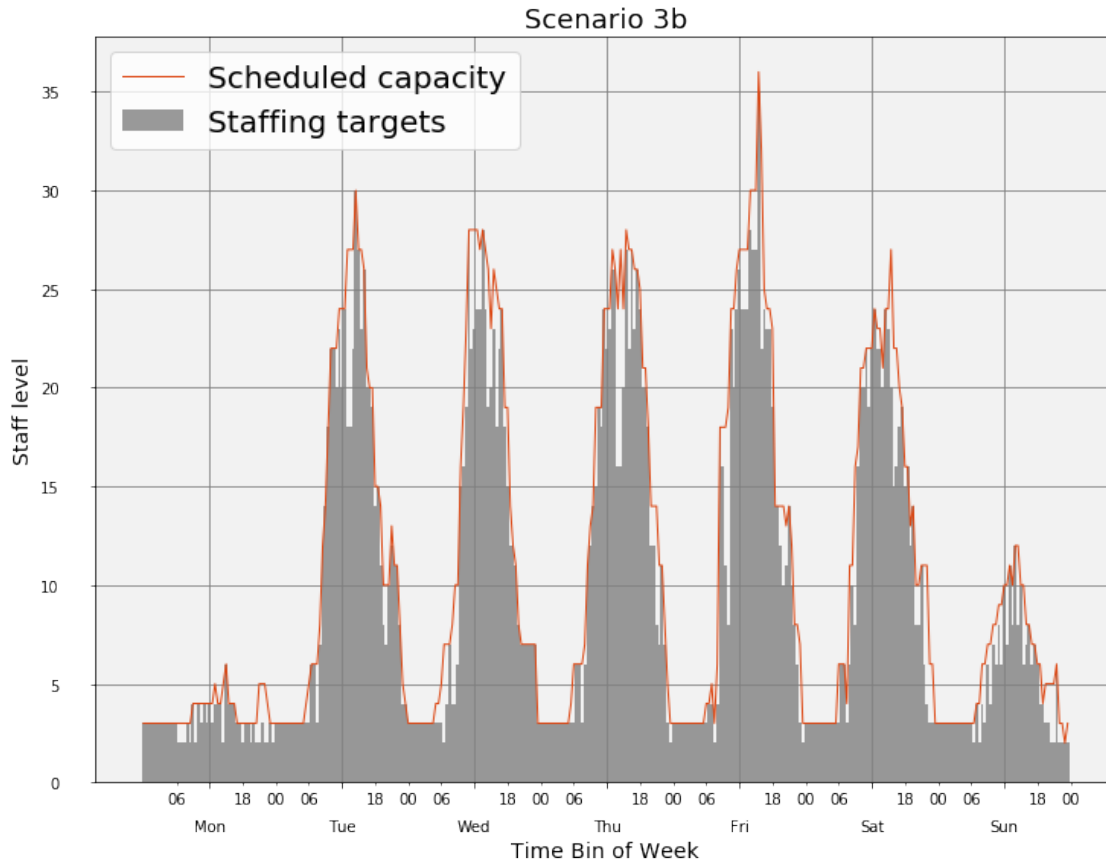
      sched_eff  tot_periods_us          scenario
0    0.869565          33.0  scenario3_tt123
1    0.898876          42.0  scenario3a_tt123
2    0.879121           0.0  scenario3b_tt123
```

```
[53]: # Plot of cap and demand
      capacity3b_df = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3b_tt123_phase1_capsum.csv')
      capacity3b_df = capacity3b_df.loc[capacity3b_df['week'] == 1]
      capacity3b_df = capacity3b_df.sort_values(by=['day', 'period'])

      # Create a Figure and Axes object and call plot function
      fig3b = plt.figure()
      fig3b.set_size_inches(12, 9)
      fig3b.suptitle('Scheduled capacity and staffing targets', fontsize=24,
                    fontweight='bold')
      ax3b = fig3b.add_subplot(1,1,1)

      capacity_plot(capacity3b_df, 'Scenario 3b', ax3b);
```

Scheduled capacity and staffing targets



So, allowing no understaffing led to an increase of 1.0 FTEs from Scenario 3a.

Let's run one more scenario with no understaffing but an increase in intra-tour start time flexibility to four periods. So, a tour assigned to a start time window of 8a could have shift start times of 8a, 8:30a, 9a, or 9:30a.

```
[54]: !pymwts scenario3c_tt123 ./input/scenario3c_tt123.dat -s gurobi -p ./output/ -t 600 -g 0.02
```

```
Namespace(mipgap=0.02, path='./output/',
phase1dat='./input/scenario3c_tt123.dat', scenario='scenario3c_tt123',
solver='gurobi', timelimit=600)
```

```
*** Scenario scenario3c_tt123
```

```
*** Phase 1 model instance created.
```

*** Setting up the solver.

*** Starting to solve Phase 1 model

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpmxdvlfkg.pyomo.lp
Reading time = 0.20 seconds
x20769: 28257 rows, 20769 columns, 501655 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
Prev: 0.0001 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
Prev: 1e+100 Min: 0.0 Max: 1e+100 Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 28257 rows, 20769 columns and 501655 nonzeros
Variable types: 9409 continuous, 11360 integer (0 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
Matrix range [1e+00, 2e+01]
Objective range [2e+01, 5e+04]
Bounds range [1e+00, 1e+00]
RHS range [1e+00, 1e+05]
Presolve removed 14092 rows and 10470 columns
Presolve time: 1.19s
Presolved: 14165 rows, 10299 columns, 262687 nonzeros
Variable types: 1420 continuous, 8879 integer (396 binary)

Deterministic concurrent LP optimizer: primal and dual simplex
Showing first log only...

Root simplex log...

Iteration	Objective	Primal Inf.	Dual Inf.	Time
11856	3.5774130e+08	0.000000e+00	5.850829e+11	5s
20608	4.6288931e+05	0.000000e+00	1.374674e+09	10s
27673	8.0294479e+04	0.000000e+00	2.140780e+06	15s
32333	7.9198943e+04	0.000000e+00	1.746470e+06	20s
36177	7.8903223e+04	0.000000e+00	3.988148e+05	25s

Concurrent spin time: 0.00s

Solved with dual simplex

Root relaxation: objective 1.424446e+04, 28393 iterations, 27.35 seconds
Total elapsed time = 31.49s

Nodes			Current Node			Objective Bounds			Work	
Expl	Unexpl		Obj	Depth	IntInf	Incumbent	BestBd	Gap	It/Node	Time
	0	0	14244.4620	0	1045	-	14244.4620	-	-	34s
H	0	0				5.146422e+08	14244.4620	100%	-	36s
	0	0	14244.4620	0	1030	5.1464e+08	14244.4620	100%	-	38s
H	0	0				24880.000000	14244.4620	42.7%	-	42s
H	0	0				14560.000000	14244.4620	2.17%	-	44s
	0	0	14244.4620	0	916	14560.0000	14244.4620	2.17%	-	64s
	0	0	14244.4620	0	956	14560.0000	14244.4620	2.17%	-	67s
	0	0	14244.4620	0	990	14560.0000	14244.4620	2.17%	-	69s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1150	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	74s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1247	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	76s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1247	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	76s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1214	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	80s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1239	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	81s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1225	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	87s
	0	0	14245.0042	0	1222	14560.0000	14245.0042	2.16%	-	88s
	0	0	14245.8403	0	1097	14560.0000	14245.8403	2.16%	-	94s
H	0	0				14400.000000	14245.8403	1.07%	-	95s

Cutting planes:

Zero half: 4

Explored 1 nodes (97398 simplex iterations) in 95.85 seconds

Thread count was 8 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 4: 14400 14560 24880 5.14642e+08

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)

Best objective 1.440000000000e+04, best bound 1.424584030418e+04, gap 1.0706%

*** Phase 1 solution found

*** Phase 2 model instance created.

*** Starting to solve Phase 2 model.

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Read LP format model from file /tmp/tmpwz5si0jx.pyomo.lp

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Reading time = 0.04 seconds
x11607: 3539 rows, 11607 columns, 83651 nonzeros
Changed value of parameter mipgap to 0.02
  Prev: 0.0001  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 0.0001
Changed value of parameter timelimit to 600.0
  Prev: 1e+100  Min: 0.0  Max: 1e+100  Default: 1e+100
Optimize a model with 3539 rows, 11607 columns and 83651 nonzeros
Variable types: 1 continuous, 11606 integer (11606 binary)
Coefficient statistics:
  Matrix range      [1e+00, 2e+01]
  Objective range   [1e+00, 1e+00]
  Bounds range      [1e+00, 1e+00]
  RHS range         [1e+00, 3e+02]
Presolve removed 3539 rows and 11607 columns
Presolve time: 0.02s
Presolve: All rows and columns removed

Explored 0 nodes (0 simplex iterations) in 0.03 seconds
Thread count was 1 (of 8 available processors)

Solution count 1: 812

Optimal solution found (tolerance 2.00e-02)
Best objective 8.120000000000e+02, best bound 8.120000000000e+02, gap 0.0000%

*** Phase 2 model solved.

*** Output files created.

```

```
[55]: ftesum_3c = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3c_tt123_phase2_ftesum.csv')
```

```
[57]: ftesum_3c
```

```
[57]:
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	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	tot_dmd	\
0	61	14400	812	7200.0	45.0	12800	

	sched_eff	tot_periods_us	scenario
0	0.888889	0.0	scenario3c_tt123

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[58]: tourtypesum_3c = pd.read_csv('output/scenario3c_tt123_phase2_tourtotypesum.csv')
tourtypesum_3c
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[58]:
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	tourtype	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	\
0	1	7	2240	140	1120.0	7.0	
1	2	32	5120	320	2560.0	16.0	

2	3	22	7040	352	3520.0	22.0
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        scenario
0  scenario3c_tt123
1  scenario3c_tt123
2  scenario3c_tt123

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[60]: ftesum = pd.concat([ftesum_1, ftesum_2, ftesum_3, ftesum_3a, ftesum_3b,
    ↪ ftesum_3c], ignore_index=True)
ftesum
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[60]:
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	num_tours	tot_periods	tot_shifts	tot_hours	tot_ftes	tot_dmd \
0	48	15360	960	7680.0	48.0	12800
1	65	14880	930	7440.0	46.5	12800
2	64	14720	824	7360.0	46.0	12800
3	62	14240	810	7120.0	44.5	12800
4	63	14560	822	7280.0	45.5	12800
5	61	14400	812	7200.0	45.0	12800

	sched_eff	tot_periods_us	scenario
0	0.833333	168.0	scenario1_tt1
1	0.860215	71.0	scenario2_tt12
2	0.869565	33.0	scenario3_tt123
3	0.898876	42.0	scenario3a_tt123
4	0.879121	0.0	scenario3b_tt123
5	0.888889	0.0	scenario3c_tt123

1.6 The bottom line

A more informed choice could now be made about the tradeoffs between scheduling flexibility, the amount of understaffing, and total labor costs. This is what tactical scheduling analysis is all about and for which the pymwts model was developed.

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