

Teacher Scheduling Constraints and Cost Function

Let:

- T = number of teachers (here, 45)
- D = number of days (6 days)
- S = number of shifts per day (8 shifts)
- b = index of the break shift (4)
- M = maximum allowed shifts per teacher per week (12)
- $\text{schedule}[d, s] \in \{0, 1, \dots, T-1\} \cup \{-1\}$ be the teacher assigned to day d and shift s , or -1 if unassigned.

1. Break Shift Must Be Empty

$$\text{schedule}[d, b] = -1, \quad \forall d \in \{0, \dots, D-1\}$$

Penalty if violated:

$$\text{Cost}_{break} = \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, b] \neq -1) \times P_{break}$$

where $P_{break} = 1000$.

2. No Teacher Teaches More Than One Shift per Day

$$\sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \leq 1, \quad \forall d \in \{0, \dots, D-1\}, \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T-1\}$$

Penalty if violated:

$$\text{Cost}_{conflict} = \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \max \left(0, \left(\sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \right) - 1 \right) \times P_{conflict}$$

where $P_{conflict} = 50$.

3. Maximum Number of Shifts per Teacher per Week

$$\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \leq M, \quad \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T-1\}$$

Penalty if violated:

$$\text{Cost}_{\text{overload}} = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \max \left(0, \left(\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \right) - M \right) \times P_{\text{overload}}$$

where $P_{\text{overload}} = 10$.

4. Every Teacher Must Teach at Least One Shift per Week

$$\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \geq 1, \quad \forall t \in \{0, \dots, T-1\}$$

Penalty if violated:

$$\text{Cost}_{\text{inactive}} = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbf{1} \left(\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) < 1 \right) \times P_{\text{inactive}}$$

where $P_{\text{inactive}} = 2000$.

Total Cost Function

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost}(\text{schedule}) = & \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, b] \neq -1) \times 1000 \\ & + \sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \max \left(0, \left(\sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \right) - 1 \right) \times 50 \\ & + \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \max \left(0, \left(\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) \right) - M \right) \times 10 \\ & + \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \mathbf{1} \left(\sum_{d=0}^{D-1} \sum_{\substack{s=0 \\ s \neq b}}^{S-1} \mathbf{1}(\text{schedule}[d, s] = t) < 1 \right) \times 2000 \end{aligned}$$