

Homework 4: Due 2021.7.12**Instructions**

1. Please clearly label the problem numbers in your response.
2. Attach any codes at the end of your response.
3. If you hand-write, please keep your response neat and readable.

Problem 1: Suppose that we have 3 data centers $\{1,2,3\}$ and consider $T = 3$. Consider the following parameters:

Data center index i	Substation capacity C_i	Background demand B_i^t	Local marginal price α_i^t	Sensitivity β_i
1	1	0.5	0.1	0.05
2	2	0.5	0.2	0.05
3	2	$1+0.05t$	$0.1+0.01t$	0.05

- a) Use a random number generator to generate E_i^t such that $0 \leq E_i^t \leq q_i^t$ for all i and for all t .
- b) Arbitrarily select s such that

$$E_i^t \leq s_i^t \leq \frac{\alpha_i^t}{\beta_i} + E_i^t \quad 1 \leq i \leq N, 1 \leq t \leq T.$$

- c) Compute the objective function with your selection of s in part b). Assume $\theta = 0.5$. (No optimization needed.)

Problem 2: Consider again the model in problem 1. Suppose that

$$L_t = 1, 1 \leq t \leq T$$

$$d_i^t = 1, 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq N$$

$$D = 20$$

$$M_1 = M_2 = 3, M_3 = 5$$

$$\mu = 5$$

$$a = 0.1, b = 0.02, c = 0.1$$

$$s_i^t = 1, 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq N$$

- a) Construct a feasible solution λ_i^t, x_i^t for all i, t . Compute the corresponding objective value.
- b) Find another feasible solution that improves the objective value with respect to that in part a).

Problem 3: Suppose now we want to solve the two-stage problem. We use a **heuristic** algorithm.

- a) Consider your results in problem 2 part b). Keep improving your solution to the stage-2 problem until either (i) you have completed 5 iterations or (ii) you can no longer improve your solution. Let's use this solution as the "optimal" solution associated with $s_i^t = 1, 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq N$. Note that you can compute an objective value for the stage-1 problem

now.

- b) Find another s such that, with the updated value s' , if you repeat the procedures in part a), you obtain a better objective value for the stage-1 problem than part a).
- c) Conduct another 3 iterations of s . Plot how the stage-1 objective value changes as you iterate.