CIVENG 3C03 Assignment 2

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Question 1

If the number of bronze, silver, and gold passes issued are X_1 , X_2 , and X_3 , then the profit margins for the park can be represented as:

Max:
$$Z = X_1 + 3X_2 + 10X_3$$

The passes are also subject to the following constraints:

 $X_1 + X_2 + 3.5X_3 \le 22000$ (administrative working units constraint)

 $X_1 \le 10000$ (maximum units per type)

 $X_2 \le 10000$ (maximum units per type)

 $X_3 \le 10000$ (maximum units per type)

 $X_1 \ge 1200$ (minimum number of bronze tickets)

 $X_1, X_2, X_3 \ge 0$ (non-negativity constraint)

From the objective function and the constraints, we can represent the problem in canonical form:

Minimize:

$$Z^* = -X_1 - 3X_2 - 10X_3 + MA_1$$

Subject to: Subject to:

$$\begin{split} X_1 + X_2 + 3.5X_3 + S_1 &= 22000 \\ X_1 + S_2 &= 10000 \\ X_2 + S_3 &= 10000 \\ X_3 + S_4 &= 10000 \\ X_1 - E_1 + A_1 &= 1200 \\ X_1, X_2, X_3, S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4, E_1, A_1 &\geq 0 \end{split}$$

Question 2

The solution to Question 1 was redone using Excel solver, producing the same solution as the Simplex method using in question 1 as seen in Figure 1. The solution is $X_1 = 1200$, $X_2 = 10000$, and $X_3 = 3085.71$ for a total profit margin of \$62067.1. The Excel spreadsheet is included with the assignment submission as question2.xlsx.

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	1	J	K
1											
2		Variables		X1	X2	X3					
3		Values		1200	10000	3085.71					
4		Cost Cofficients		-1	-3	-10			-62057.1		
5											
6		Struct Coeff		1	1	3.5		#1	22000	<=	22000
7				1	0	0		#2	1200	<=	10000
8				0	1	0		#3	10000	<=	10000
9				0	0	1		#4	3085.71	<=	10000
10				1	0	0		#5	1200	>=	1200

Figure 1: Excel Solver Solution

Question 3

To determine if the current production policy can be continued, we check the sensitivity of the optimal solution due to the changes in each of the cost coefficients. However, this is not possible to calculate with the information provided, as the final iteration of the simplex tableau does not provide the C^i values for the final iteration, and this cannot be calculated without the previous iteration.