

Solutions to modelling exercises

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Solutions to exercises of List 5 - Modeling 1

Exercise 1. Solutions:

Let us denote

1. x_{ij} : number of units produced by factory U_i for client E_j $i = 1, 2$ and $j = 1, 2, 3$;
2. c_{ij} : cost of sending 1 unit from factory U_i for client E_j $i = 1, 2$ and $j = 1, 2, 3$ (see the table);

According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. demands of the clients should be fulfilled.
 - (a) $x_{11} + x_{21} = 100$;
 - (b) $x_{21} + x_{22} = 200$;
 - (c) $x_{31} + x_{32} = 300$.
2. the stocks of the factories must be considered:
 - (a) $x_{11} + x_{12} + x_{13} \leq 400$;
 - (b) $x_{21} + x_{22} + x_{23} \leq 300$.

The total cost is

$$\sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 c_{ij} x_{ij} = x_{11} + 1.5x_{12} + 3.5x_{13} + 2x_{21} + x_{22} + 2x_{23}.$$

In summary the linear problem to consider is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 c_{ij} x_{ij} = x_{11} + 1.5x_{12} + 3.5x_{13} + 2x_{21} + x_{22} + 2x_{23} \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad x_{i1} + x_{21} = 100 \\
& \quad \quad x_{i2} + x_{22} = 200; \\
& \quad \quad x_{i3} + x_{23} = 300; \\
& \quad \quad x_{11} + x_{12} + x_{13} \leq 400; \\
& \quad \quad x_{21} + x_{22} + x_{23} \leq 300; \\
& \quad \quad x_j \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \quad i = 1, 2, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 2. Solutions:

Let us denote: p_1 the produced amount of product 1 and p_2 the produced amount of product 2; x_{11} amount of nitrates used for the production of product 1; x_{12} amount of nitrates used for the production of product 2; x_{21} amount of potasio salt used for the production of product 1; x_{22} amount of potasio salt used for the production of product 2; x_{32} amount of phosphates used for the production of product 2 (all non-negative variables that will be measured in kilograms).

According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. the stocks of the fertilizers should be considered

- (a) $x_{11} + x_{12} \leq 8$;
- (b) $x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 19$;
- (c) $x_{32} \leq 4$.

2. The required combination of fertilizers to obtain 1 unit of each product is predetermined. Hence we can model the situations as follows: let

- (a) $2x_{11} = x_{21} = p_1 \longrightarrow$ to obtain p_1 units of product 1;
- (b) $3x_{12} = x_{22} = 3x_{32} = p_2 \longrightarrow$ to obtain p_2 units of product 2.

Hence, for a produced amount of p_1 kg of product 1 and p_2 kg of product 2, the profit obtained by selling the production is given by

$$7p_1 + 9p_2 = 7x_{11} + 9x_{22}.$$

In summary, the LPP to be considered in the first question is:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max 7x_{21} + 9x_{22} \\
& \text{s.t} \quad \frac{1}{2}x_{21} + \frac{1}{3}x_{22} \leq 8; \\
& \quad \quad x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 19; \\
& \quad \quad \frac{1}{3}x_{22} \leq 4; \\
& \quad \quad x_{21}, x_{22} \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly the problem is feasible and bounded above, then it has an optimal solution (x_{21}^*, x_{22}^*)
The dual of this problem is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min 8\lambda_1 + 19\lambda_2 + 4\lambda_3 \\
& \text{s.t} \quad \frac{1}{2}\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \geq 7; \\
& \quad \quad \frac{1}{3}\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \frac{1}{3}\lambda_3 \geq 9; \\
& \quad \quad \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3 \geq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

For the second problem, let us denote by p_1 the selling price for the nitrate, p_2 the selling price for the phosphates and p_3 the selling price for the salt of potassio.

Exercise 3. Solutions:

Let us denote: x_{ij} is the number of engines delivered from the factory in city V_i to the factory in city U_j , and by c_{ij} the cost of transporting 1 engine from the factory in city V_i to the factory in city U_j (see the table), $i = 1, 2$ and $j = 1, 2, 3$;

According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. the stocks of engines in the factories of cities V_1 , V_2 and V_3 should be considered:

$$(a) \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{ij} \leq 6 \quad i = 1, 2;$$

2. the demands of the factories in cities U_1 , U_2 and U_3 should be fulfilled:

$$(a) \quad x_{11} + x_{21} \geq 5;$$

$$(b) \quad x_{12} + x_{22} \geq 4;$$

$$(c) \quad x_{13} + x_{23} \geq 3;$$

The total cost of delivering the engines is $\sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 c_{ij}x_{ij}$

In summary, the LPP to be considered is:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^3 c_{ij} x_{ij}; \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{1j} \leq 6; \\
& \quad \sum_{j=1}^3 x_{2j} \leq 6; \\
& \quad x_{11} + x_{21} \geq 5; \\
& \quad x_{12} + x_{22} \geq 4; \\
& \quad x_{13} + x_{23} \geq 3; \\
& \quad x_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}_+ \quad i = 1, 2, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4. Solutions:

Let us denote: s the number of shoes and c the number of belts produced in one day. According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. the upper bound on the number of hours dedicated to work should be considered:

$$(a) \quad s/6 + c/5 \leq 10$$

2. the upper bound on the number of units of leather used in making the products (shoes and belts) should be considered:

$$(a) \quad 2s + c \leq 78$$

The total income due to selling the products is $5s + 4c$

In summary, the LPP to be considered is:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max 5s + 4c. \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad s/6 + c/5 \leq 10 \\
& \quad 2s + c \leq 78 \\
& \quad s, c \in \mathbb{Z},
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 5. Solutions:

Let us denote the diesels of type A and B by diesel 1 and 2 and by g_1 and g_2 the amounts of gasoline used in diesels 1 and 2, respectively; let x_{ij} be the amount of gasoline i used to produce diesel j $i = 1, \dots, 3, j = 1, 2$.

According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. the stocks of the three types of gasoline should be considered:

- (a) $x_{11} + x_{12} \leq 500$;
- (b) $x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 200$;
- (c) $x_{31} + x_{32} \leq 200$;

2. the amounts of each gasoline on each diesel should be considered:

- (a) $x_{11} = .25g_1$;
- (b) $x_{21} = .25g_1$;
- (c) $x_{31} = 0.5g_1$;
- (d) $x_{22} = 0.5g_2$;
- (e) $x_{32} = 0.5g_2$;

In summary, the LPP to be considered is:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 20g_1 + 30g_2; \\ \text{s.t} \quad & .25g_1 \leq 500; \\ & .25g_1 + 0.5g_2 \leq 2000; \\ & 0.5g_1 + 0.5g_2 \leq 4000; \\ & g_1, g_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 6. Solutions:

Let us denote diesels of type A, B and C by diesel 1,2 and 3, respectively; x_{ij} the amount of oil i used to produce diesel j $i = 1, \dots, 4$, $j = 1, \dots, 3$; and d_i the amount of oil j produced $j = 1, \dots, 3$.

According to the statement of the problem we have the following set of restrictions:

1. the stocks of the four type of oils should be considered:

- (a) $x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 2000$;
- (b) $x_{31} + x_{32} \leq 4000$;
- (c) $x_{41} + x_{42} \leq 1000$;

2. the limits on the amount of each oil on each diesel should be considered:

- (a) $x_{11} \leq 0.3d_1$;
- (b) $x_{31} \leq 0.5d_1$;
- (c) $x_{21} \geq 0.4d_2$;
- (d) $x_{22} \geq 0.1d_2$;

$$(e) \ x_{12} \leq 0.5d_2;$$

$$(f) \ x_{13} \leq 0.7d_3;$$

Other facts: the cost of the production process is $3(x_{11} + x_{12}) + 6(x_{21} + x_{22}) + 4(x_{31} + x_{32}) + 5(x_{41} + x_{42})$, and the total income due to the sale of the diesels is $5.5d_1 + 4.5d_2$

In summary, the LPP to be considered is:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 5.5d_1 + 4.5d_2 - 3(x_{11} + x_{12}) - 6(x_{21} + x_{22}) - 4(x_{31} + x_{32}) - 5(x_{41} + x_{42}) \\ \text{s.t} \quad & x_{13} + x_{11} + x_{12} \leq 3000; \\ & x_{21} + x_{22} \leq 2000; \\ & x_{31} + x_{32} \leq 4000; \\ & x_{41} + x_{42} \leq 1000; \\ & x_{11} \leq 0.3d_1; \\ & x_{31} \leq 0.5d_1; \\ & x_{21} \leq 0.4d_2; \\ & x_{31} \leq 0.7d_3; \\ & x_{22} \geq 0.1d_2; \\ & x_{12} \geq 0.5d_2; \\ & x_{ij} \geq 0, \ d_1, d_2 \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly we can eliminate variables x_{41} and x_{42} in the above formulation.

Solutions to exercises of List 6 - Modeling 2

Electricity production management. Let us denote by

- $\bar{u}_{i,j}$ the maximal capacity of energy production of thermal plant j in region i per day;
- \bar{v}_i the maximal hydro production in region i per day;
- \bar{x}_i and \underline{x}_i the maximal and minimal levels of reservoir i ;
- $x_{t,i}$ the reservoir level at the beginning of day t ;
- T the number of days of the planning horizon;
- $u_{t,i,j}$ the production of thermal plant j in region i for day t ;
- $v_{t,i}$ the hydro production in region i for day t ;
- $s_{t,i}$ the energy bought on the spot market for day t and region i ;
- p_t the unit spot price for day t ;
- $D_{t,i}$ the demand for day t ;
- $A_{t,i}$ the inflows for day t and reservoir i ;
- $c_{i,j}$ the unit production cost for thermal plant j in region i ;
- \mathcal{I} the set of regions and \mathcal{T}_i the set of thermal units of region i ;
- $E_{t,i,j}$ the energy exchanged from region i to region j for day t and G the corresponding graph;
- $\bar{E}_{i,j}$ is the maximal energy exchange from i to j .

We obtain the linear program:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{T}_i} c_{i,j} u_{t,i,j} + \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} s_{t,i} p_t \\
 & x_{t,i} = x_{t-1,i} + 0.8 A_{t,i} - v_{t,i}, \quad t = 2, \dots, T+1, i \in \mathcal{I}, \\
 & 0.2 A_{t,i} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{T}_i} u_{t,i,j} + v_{t,i} + s_{t,i} + \sum_{j|(j,i) \in G} E_{t,j,i} - \sum_{j|(i,j) \in G} E_{t,i,j} \geq D_{t,i}, \\
 & s_{t,i} \geq 0, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, i \in \mathcal{I}, \\
 & 0 \leq u_{t,i,j} \leq \bar{u}_{i,j}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, i \in \mathcal{I}, \\
 & 0 \leq v_{t,i} \leq \bar{v}_i, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, i \in \mathcal{I}, \\
 & 0 \leq E_{t,i,j} \leq \bar{E}_{i,j}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, (i,j) | (i,j) \in G, \\
 & \underline{x}_i \leq x_{t,i} \leq \bar{x}_i, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, i \in \mathcal{I},
 \end{aligned}$$

for $x_{1,i}$, $i \in \mathcal{I}$ given.

Asset management.

Denote by x_i the money invested in asset i $i = 1, \dots, n$. The model is

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n r_i x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq M \\ & x_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n. \end{aligned}$$

The optimal solution is given by $x_i = M$ where $r_i = \max\{r_j, j = 1, \dots, n\}$.

Exercise: production expansion.

Let us denote by:

1. d_i : demand of product i with $i = 1, \dots, n$;
2. h_j and e_j : respectively, the number of regular and extra hours of usage of the machine j with $j = 1, \dots, m$;
3. s_i : quantity of product i unsold;
4. $h_{i,j}$: number of hours machine j is used to produce product i ;
5. x_i : quantity of product i produced.

The linear program is

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m g_{i,j} h_{i,j} + \sum_{j=1}^m c_j e_j + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i s_i \\ & h_{i,j}, e_j, s_i \geq 0, \forall i = 1, \dots, n, j = 1, \dots, m, \\ & \sum_{j=1}^m t_j (e_j + h_j) \leq T, \\ & x_i + s_i = d_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \\ & x_i = \sum_{j=1}^m h_{i,j} a_{i,j}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \\ & h_j + e_j \leq u_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, m, \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n h_{i,j} = h_j + e_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, m. \end{aligned}$$

LNG with cancellation options. Denote

- s_P^t the pipeline storage at the beginning of time t ;

- S_t the spot price for month t ;
- Q_t the quantity of contracted gas for t , one part of it, $u_P^{0,t}$, being injected in the pipeline and the rest $u_S^{1,t}$ being injected in the storage;
- u_n^t : quantity of gas from ship of contract n to storage at t ;
- $u_n^{0,t}$: quantity of gas from ship of contract n to pipeline at t ;
- u_P^t : quantity of gas transferred from the pipeline to clients at t ;
- u_{NS}^t : quantity of unsatisfied demand at t ;
- c_t : unit storage cost at t ;
- p_t : cost of unsatisfied demand;
- s_n^t : stock in ship of contract n at $t \geq t_n - 1$;
- \mathcal{D}_t : demand at t ,
- t_n : time ship of contract n will arrive;
- y_n^t is 1 if contract n is cancelled at t or before and 0 otherwise;
- Q_n : load of contract n ;
- C_n^t : cancellation cost at t ;
- F_n^t : ship load n cost at t ;
- $f_{n,t}$: unit price for cancellation fee paid at t on contract n ;

The model is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{t=1}^T \left(c_t(s^t + s_P^t) + p_t u_{NS}^t - 1.3 S_t u_P^t + \sum_{n=1}^N C_n^t + F_n^t \right) \\
& Q_t = u_P^{0,t} + u_S^{1,t}, \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& \underline{s}_t \leq s^t \leq \bar{s}_t, \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& s^t = s^{t-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N u_n^t + u_s^{1,t} - u_s^{2,t}, \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& \underline{s}_{P,t} \leq s_P^t \leq \bar{s}_{P,t}, \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& s_P^t = s_P^{t-1} + \sum_{n=1}^N u_n^{0,t} + u_s^{2,t} + u_P^{0,t} - u_P^t, \forall t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& u_P^t + u_{NS}^t = \mathcal{D}_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T, \\
& y_n^t \in \{0, 1\}, \\
& y_n^t \geq y_n^{t-1}, 2 \leq t \leq t_n - 1, \\
& s_n^t = (1 - y_n^t) Q_n, t = t_n - 1, \\
& s_n^t = s_n^{t-1} - u_n^t u_n^{0,t}, t \geq t_n, \\
& C_1^t = y_n^1 Q_n f_{n,1}, \\
& C_n^t = (y_n^t - y_n^{t-1}) Q_n f_{n,t}, 2 \leq t \leq t_n - 1 \\
& F_n^t = (1 - y_n^{t-1} S_t) Q_n, \quad t = t_n, \\
& F_n^t = c_t s_n^t, \quad t \geq t_n + 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise: Problema da mochila

Let us denote, for $i = 1, \dots, n$:

- x_i a binary variable that indicates whether Mickey is taking object i (value 1) or not (value 0) $i = 1, \dots, n$;
- u_i is the utility of object i ;
- p_i the weight of object i ;
- v_i volume of object i .

The LPP problem to be considered is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max \sum_{i=1}^n u_i x_i \\
& \text{s.t} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \leq P \\
& \quad x_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, \dots, n.
\end{aligned}$$

If we add the condition on the volumes the LPP to be consider is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{i=1}^n u_i x_i \\
& \text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \leq P \\
& \quad \quad \sum_{i=1}^n v_i x_i \leq V \\
& \quad \quad x_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, \dots, n.
\end{aligned}$$

“Unit commitment”

Let us denote

- $y_{t,i}$ is 1 if unit i is turned on at t and 0 otherwise;
- $u_{t,i}$: production of unit i at t ;
- \mathcal{D}_t : demand at t ;
- K_i : maximal production of unit i per step.

The model is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \min \sum_{t,i} c_i u_{t,i} + \sum_i p_i y_{1,i} + \sum_{t \geq 2,i} (y_{t,i} - y_{t-1,i}) p_i \\
& y_{t,i} \geq y_{t-1,i}, \quad t = 2, \dots, T, \\
& y_{t,i} \in \{0, 1\}, \\
& 0 \leq u_{t,i} \leq y_{t,i} K_i, \\
& \sum_i u_{t,i} = \mathcal{D}_t,
\end{aligned}$$