

Operations Research I: Deterministic Models

Exam 2: Thursday, November 3, 2016

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Write your answers on this examination, using the backs of pages if needed. (Use back of pages also for scratch paper if you need it.)

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- calculator
- cell phone

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1. (10 points) Find the dual of the following LP: $\text{Min } z = x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 + x_4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to } & x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 - x_4 && \leq 15 \\ & 2x_2 - x_3 + x_4 && \geq 5 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 - 5x_3 && = 10 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0, && x_4 \text{ unrestricted} \end{aligned}$$

2. (5 points) A minimization LP is being solved by the big M method. e_1 is the excess variable in constraint 1 and a_1, a_2 are the artificial variables of constraints 1,2 respectively. The optimal is given below:

z	x_1	x_2	e_1	a_1	a_2	RHS
1	0	$(6 - M)/3$	$-M$	0	$(3 - 5M)/3$	$10M/3 + 4$
0	0	$-1/3$	-1	1	$-2/3$	$10/3$
0	1	$2/3$	0	0	$1/3$	$4/3$

Which one of the following statements is true: (Circle one)

- (i). The original LP has a unique optimal solution.
- (ii). The original LP has multiple optimal solutions.
- (iii). The original LP is unbounded.
- (iv). The original LP has no feasible solution.

3. (15 points) A company manufactures and sells dog food of two types. Each bag of type 1 dog food contains 2 pds of lamb and 4 pds of turkey, and sells for \$6. Each bag of type 2 dog food contains 1 pd of turkey and 1 pd of lamb, and sells for \$2. A total of 30 pds of lamb and 50 pds of turkey are available. The company manager requires that at most 20 bags of dog food 2 are produced. Let D_1, D_2 be the number of bags of dog food type 1,2 produced.

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max & 6D_1 + 2D_2 \\ \text{s.t.} & 2D_1 + D_2 \leq 30 \\ & 4D_1 + D_2 \leq 50 \\ & D_2 \leq 20 \\ & D_1, D_2 \geq 0 \end{array}$$

The optimal solution is $D_1 = 10, D_2 = 10$. Answer the following using *graphical* sensitivity analysis. Graph the LP and show your work!

(a). Suppose the price of sale price of food type 1 is subject to change. For what range of prices does the current optimal solution remain optimal?

(b). What is the range of values of the third right hand side (b_3) for which the current BFS remains optimal?

(c). What is the most that the company should be willing to pay for another pound of turkey?

4. (24 points, 3 points for each part) Answer TRUE or FALSE:

- (a). ----- Every balanced transportation problem has a feasible solution.
- (b). ----- The big M method can end with an unbounded objective.
- (c). ----- At the end of phase 1, if $w = 0$ then all artificial variables must be non basic.
- (d). ----- The basic feasible solutions to a balanced transportation problem are always non degenerate.
- (e). ----- A primal problem (P) and its dual (D) must have the same number of variables.
- (f). ----- If a primal problem (P) is unbounded, then its dual (D) must be infeasible.
- (g). ----- An LP with degenerate Basic Feasible Solutions may have an infinite number of Basic Feasible Solutions (BFS).
- (h). ----- The cost of a BFS found by Vogel's method (for a minimization BTP) is always \leq the cost of the BFS found by Northwest Corner method.

5. (6 points) Suppose an LP is solved twice. Once using the Big M method and a second time using the 2 phase method. Is it possible that the optimal solution to the big M method has all artificial variables equal to zero, and that the optimal solution to the 2 phase method $w > 0$? Circle the correct answer YES or NO. Explain briefly.

6. (20 points) A company produces widgets at 2 factories, A and B. They have orders from 3 customers for May and June as in the table below.

	company 1	company 2	company 3
May	200	310	400
June	450	520	350

The per unit shipping costs are:

	company 1	company 2	company 3
A	\$40	\$28	\$32
B	\$36	\$38	\$24

The production capacity at each factory is 400 a month. The company has 200 widgets in inventory at factory A and 250 at factory B. Widgets can be delivered early but not late. In case it cannot meet demand, it has a contract to buy widgets from another company at a cost of \$700 per widget (cost includes delivery).

Formulate a Balanced Transportation Problem to minimize the costs by giving the cost and requirement table.

7. (12 points) A company produces and sells chairs and desks. Each chair requires 3 board feet of lumber and 2 hours of labor. Each desk requires 5 board feet of lumber and 4 hours of labor. A total of 145 board feet of lumber and 90 hours of labor are available. Up to 50 chairs and 50 desks can be sold. Chairs sell for \$55, and desks for \$32. In addition to producing chairs and desks itself, the company can buy (from an outside supplier) extra chairs at \$27 each and extra desks at \$50 each. Let CM, DM be the number of chairs and desks made by the company, and CB, DB the number of chairs and desks bought from the supplier. Use the Lindo output below to answer each of the following parts.

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max      32CM + 55DM + 5CB + 5DB
s.t.  2)      3CM + 5DM                ≤ 145
      3)      2CM + 4DM                ≤ 90
      4)      CM + CB                  ≤ 50
      5)      DM + DB                  ≤ 50
      objective function value  1715.00000
      variable      value      reduced cost
      CM            45.000000    .000000
      DM            .000000     4.000000
      CB            5.000000    .000000
      DB            50.000000    .000000
      row      slack or surplus  dual prices
      2)      10.000000         0.000000
      3)      .000000          13.500000
      4)      .000000          5.000000
      5)      .000000          5.000000

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Range in which basis remains unchanged :

OBJ coefficient ranges

variable	current coef	allowable increase	allowable decrease
CM	32.000000	infinity	2.000000
DM	55.000000	4.000000	infinity
CB	5.000000	2.000000	5.000000
DB	5.000000	infinity	4.000000

righthand side ranges

row	current RHS	allowable increase	allowable decrease
2	145.000000	infinity	10.000000
3	90.000000	6.66667	90.000000
4	50.000000	infinity	5.000000
5	50.000000	infinity	50.000000

(a). If the company can purchase desks for \$48, what would be the new optimal profit?

(b). What is the most that the company should be willing to pay to for another board foot of lumber?

(c). If only 40 desks could be sold, what would be the new optimal solution (the z)?

8. (8 points) Consider the following (minimum) Balanced Transportation problem: Find an initial BFS for the problem using the min cost method:

	4	3	3	3	100
	3	1	2	3	100
	6	55	5	5	100
	7	5	5	4	100
150	50	50	150		