

Optimization Solutions Final Project

Manufacturing Optimization

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Goal: Maximize profits and minimize production & labor costs



Our Client: *Car Engine Manufacturer*

- Operates in one production plant and produces one type of engine



Business Problem: *Maximize Profit*

1. Several parts, raw materials, and laborers are required to produce one engine
2. The client wants to determine the profit maximizing **quantities of parts and engines** to produce and the resulting **levels of raw materials and labor required**



Opportunity: Determine how to maximize profits and minimize cost/labor across a number of environmental changes the client is facing

Mixed Integer programming problem with multiple variations



Optimization Problem:

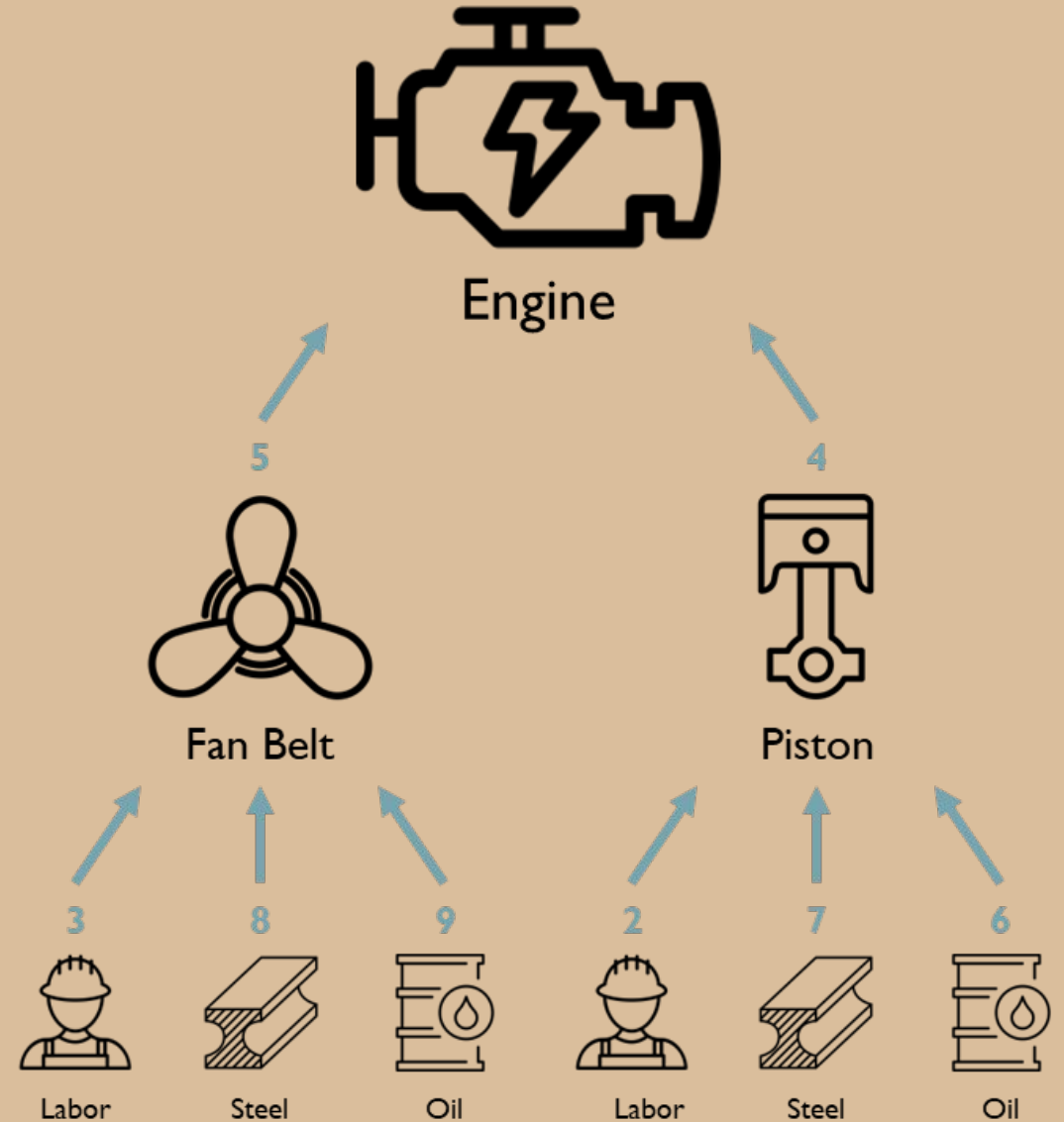
1. **Mixed Integer programming**
 - Objective function is linear in the arguments
 - Constraints include linear equalities and linear inequalities
 - Arguments can only take on integer values
2. **Test multiple variations of the base problem to understand how outputs are impacted**
 - Supply chain shortages
 - COVID restrictions
 - Liquidity constraints
3. **Required packages and solver**
 - **JuMP**: allows for a linear class of optimization problems with easy-to-read code
 - **GLPK**: wrapper for the GNU Linear Programming Kit library (solver)

Manufacturing Base Problem Setup













Manufacturing Requirements

One engine requires

- two unique subcomponents
(fan belt and piston)
- two different raw materials (steel and oil)
- five employees



Variables

INPUTS	Raw Material		Production		
	<div>STEEL</div> <div>raw material 1</div> <div></div> <div>a_1: quantity</div> <div>r_1: cost/unit</div>	<div>OIL</div> <div>raw material 2</div> <div></div> <div>a_2: quantity</div> <div>r_2: cost/unit</div>	<div>FAN BELT</div> <div>part A</div> <div></div> <div>w_A: machinery cost/unit</div>	<div>PISTON</div> <div>part B</div> <div></div> <div>w_B: machinery cost/unit</div>	<div>LABORER</div> <div>person</div> <div></div> <div>w_L: wages/shift per person</div>
OUTPUTS	Selling Price				
	<div>FAN BELT</div> <div>part A</div> <div></div> <div>p_A: market price</div>	<div>PISTON</div> <div>part B</div> <div></div> <div>p_B: market price</div>	<div>ENGINE</div> <div>final product</div> <div></div> <div>p_E: market price</div>		
DECISIONS	Production & Allocation of Fan Belts and Pistons				
	<div>FAN BELT</div> <div>part A</div> <div></div> <div>x_1: quantity in final engine production</div>	<div>FAN BELT</div> <div>part A</div> <div></div> <div>x_2: quantity sold individually</div>	<div>PISTON</div> <div>part B</div> <div></div> <div>x_3: quantity in final engine production</div>	<div>PISTON</div> <div>part B</div> <div></div> <div>x_4: quantity sold individually</div>	

Production Costs

Fan Belt

Labor + Steel + Oil + Machinery

$$c_A = 7.85$$



Fan Belt
 $w_A = \$0.15$

3



Labor
 $w_L = \$1.70$

8



Steel
 $r_1 = \$0.10$

9



Oil
 $r_2 = \$0.20$

Piston

Labor + Steel + Oil + Machinery

$$c_B = 5.55$$



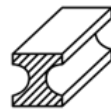
Piston
 $w_B = \$0.25$

2



Labor
 $w_L = \$1.70$

7



Steel
 $r_1 = \$0.10$

6



Oil
 $r_2 = \$0.20$

Engine

5 * Fan Belt Cost + 4 * Piston Cost

$$c_E = 61.45$$



Engine

5



Fan Belt
 $c_A = \$7.85$

4



Piston
 $c_B = \$5.55$

MAX PROFIT

Objective Function

Objective: Maximize Profit

@objective (model, Max, $(p_E - c_E) * ((x_1/5) + (x_2/4))/2 + (p_A - c_A) * x_3 + (p_B - c_B) * x_4$)

$$\pi = \pi_{\text{Engine}} + \pi_{\text{Fan Belt}} + \pi_{\text{Piston}}$$

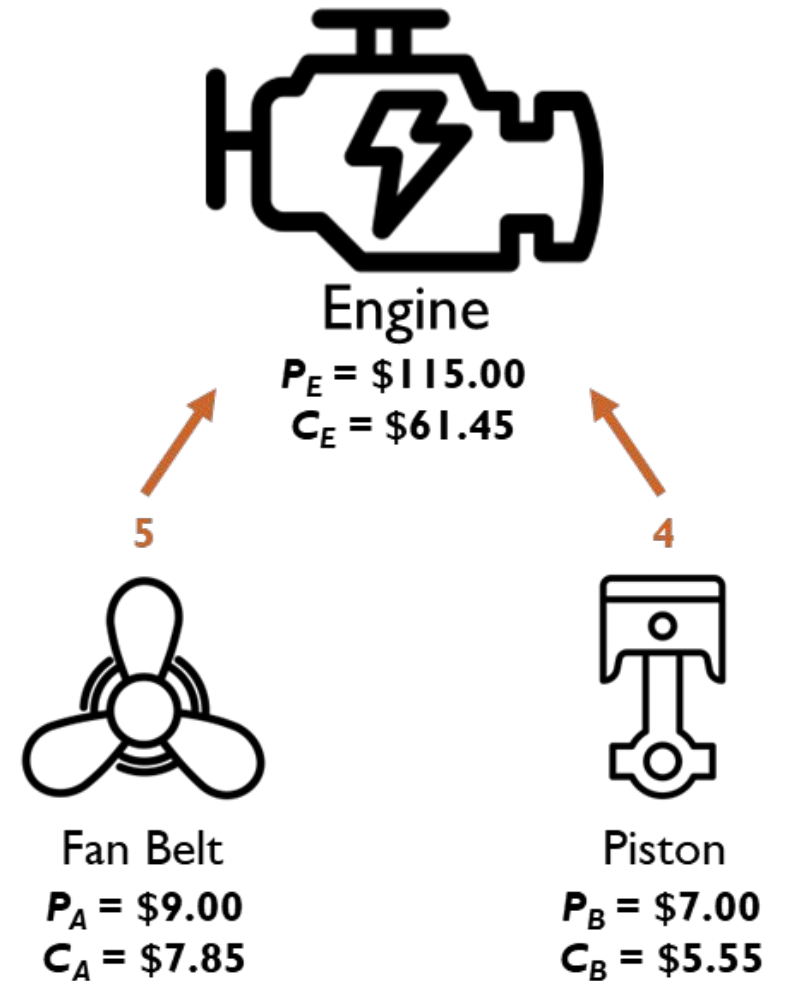
$$\pi_{\text{Engine}} = \frac{\text{Engine}}{(p_E - c_E) * ((x_1/5) + (x_2/4))/2}$$

$$\pi_{\text{Fan Belt}} = \frac{\text{Fan Belt}}{(p_A - c_A) * x_3}$$

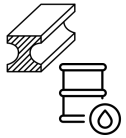
$$\pi_{\text{Piston}} = \frac{\text{Piston}}{(p_B - c_B) * x_4}$$

x_1 = quantity of fan belts (part A) used in engines
 x_2 = quantity of pistons (part B) used in engines

x_3 = quantity of fan belts (part A) sold individually
 x_4 = quantity of pistons (part B) sold individually



Constraints



Raw Material:

- Required units of **steel** (a1)
`@constraint(model, 8*x1 + 7*x2 + 8*x3 + 7*x4 <= a1)`
- Required units of **oil** (a2)
`@constraint(model, 9*x1 + 6*x2 + 9*x3 + 6*x4 <= a2)`
- **Unlimited** supply of steel (a1) and oil (a2) available for purchase
`@variable(model, a1 >= 0.0)`
`@variable(model, a2 >= 0.0)`



Factory Personale Capacity:

- **250 laborers** can work at a given time
`@constraint(model, 3*x1 + 2*x2 + 3*x3 + 2*x4 <= 250)`



Production Requirements:

- Final engine requires **5 Fan Belts** (x1) and **4 Pistons** (x2)
`@constraint(model, (x1/5) - (x2/4) == 0.0)`
- No manufacturing cost constraint

Basic Solution

Model

Objective Function:

- Maximize $5.4x_1 + 6.7x_2 + 1.15x_3 + 1.4x_4$

Subject to:

- $0.2x_1 - 0.25x_2 = 0.0$
- $8x_1 + 7x_2 + 8x_3 + 7x_4 - a_1 \leq 0.0$
- $9x_1 + 6x_2 + 9x_3 + 6x_4 - a_2 \leq 0.0$
- $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 250.0$
- $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, a_1, a_2 \geq 0.0$
- $x_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_4 \in \mathbb{Z}$



Results

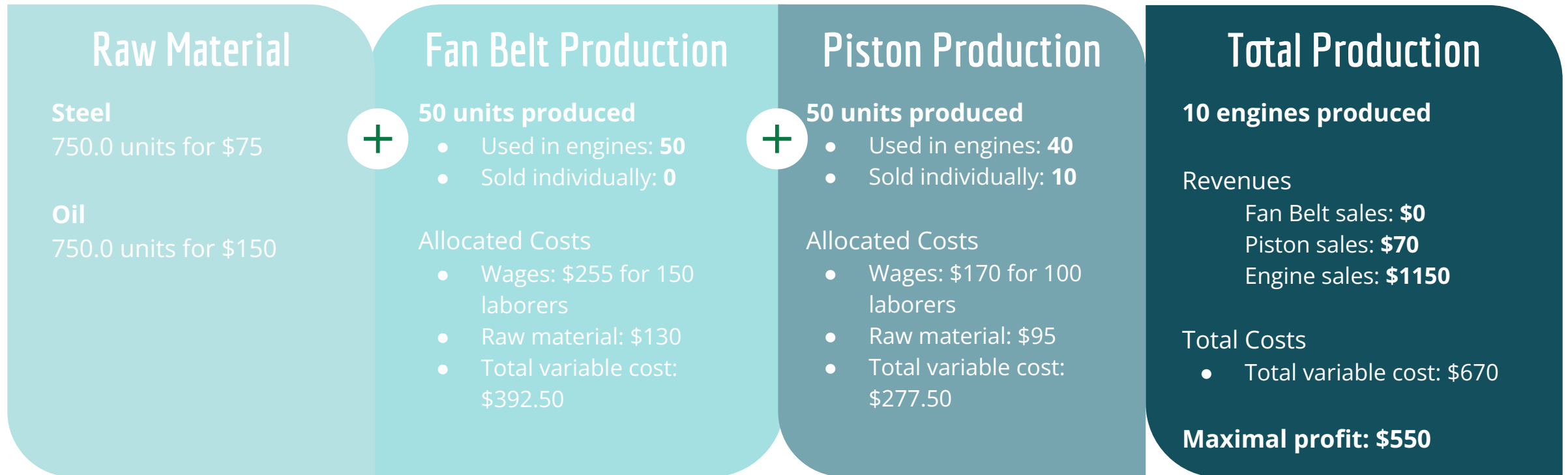
Maximal Profit: **\$550**

Engines Produced: 10

Fan Belts Produced: 50

Pistons Produced: 50

Basic Solution Outputs



 **Key Insight:** With no constraint on raw material availability and production cost, we see a profit of \$550, with 10 engines produced

Variation I.

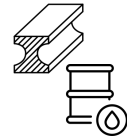
Supply Chain Disruption

Constraints: Supply Chain Impact



Business Problem:

Supply chain shortages have caused a **reduction** in the **availability of raw materials** (*steel & oil*)



Raw Material:

- Required units of steel (a1)
`@constraint(model, 8*x1 + 7*x2 + 8*x3 + 7*x4 <= a1)`
- Required units of oil (a2)
`@constraint(model, 9*x1 + 6*x2 + 9*x3 + 6*x4 <= a2)`
- Availability of steel (a1) is **56 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is **54 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a2 <= 54)`



Factory Personale Capacity:

- 250 laborers can work at a given time
`@constraint(model, 3*x1 + 2*x2 + 3*x3 + 2*x4 <= 250)`



Production Requirements:

- Final engine requires 5 Fan Belts (x1) and 4 Pistons (x2)
`@constraint(model, (x1/5) - (x2/4) == 0.0)`
- No manufacturing cost constraint

Model: Supply Chain Impact



Business Problem:

Supply chain shortages have caused a reduction in the availability of raw materials

Problem Adjustments

Limited Raw Materials

- Availability of steel (a1) is 56 units
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is 54 units
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a2 <= 54)`



Model

Objective Function:

- Maximize $5.4x_1 + 6.7x_2 + 1.15x_3 + 1.4x_4$

Subject to:

- $0.2x_1 - 0.25x_2 = 0.0$
- $8x_1 + 7x_2 + 8x_3 + 7x_4 - a_1 \leq 0.0$
- $9x_1 + 6x_2 + 9x_3 + 6x_4 - a_2 \leq 0.0$
- $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 250.0$
- $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, a_1, a_2 \geq 0.0$
- $x_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_4 \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $a_1 \leq 56.0$
- $a_2 \leq 54.0$



Results

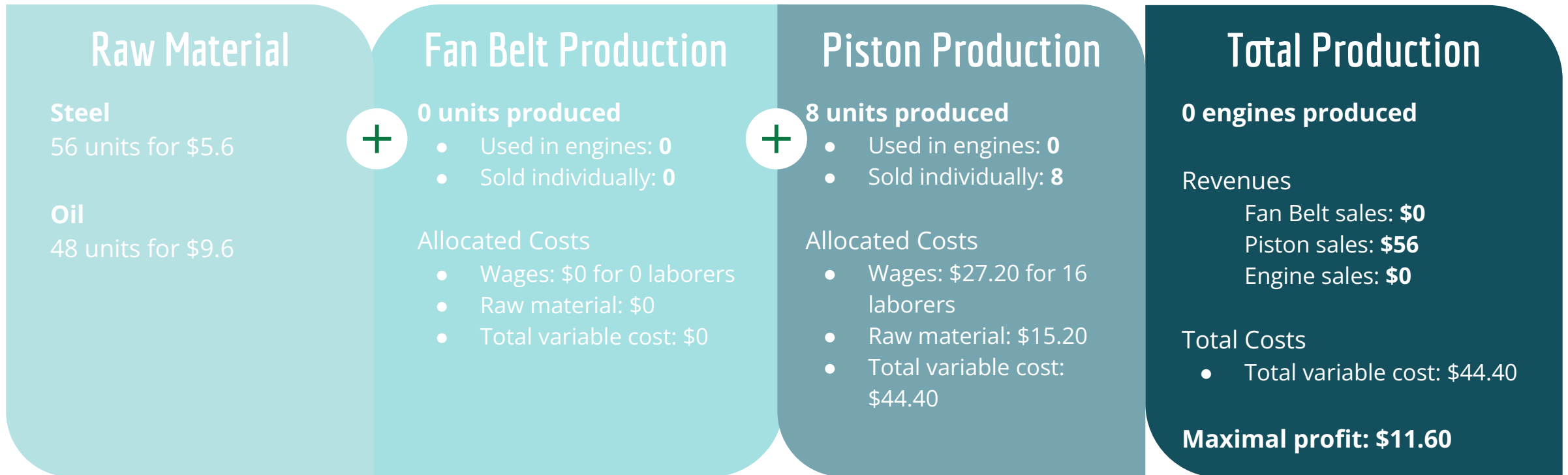
Maximal Profit: \$11.60

Engines Produced: 0

Fan Belts Produced: 0

Pistons Produced: 8

Solution Outputs: Supply Chain Impact



Key Insight: Supply chain constraints led to the optimizer focussing on production of pistons to maximize profit, producing 8 pistons and no engines

Variation II.

COVID Restrictions

Constraints: COVID Restrictions Impact



Business Problem:

Along with the supply chain shortages, COVID restrictions have caused **factory capacity to shrink**



Raw Material:

- Required units of steel (a1)
`@constraint(model, 8*x1 + 7*x2 + 8*x3 + 7*x4 <= a1)`
- Required units of oil (a2)
`@constraint(model, 9*x1 + 6*x2 + 9*x3 + 6*x4 <= a2)`
- Availability of steel (a1) is **56 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is **54 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 54)`



Factory Personale Capacity:

- **47 laborers** can work at a given time
`@constraint(model, 3*x1 + 2*x2 + 3*x3 + 2*x4 <= 47)`



Production Requirements:

- Final engine requires 5 Fan Belts (x1) and 4 Pistons (x2)
`@constraint(model, (x1/5) - (x2/4) == 0.0)`
- No manufacturing cost constraint

Variation 2

Model: COVID Restrictions Impact



Business Problem:

Along with the supply chain shortages, COVID restrictions have caused factory capacity to shrink

Problem Adjustments

Limited Raw Materials

- Availability of steel (a1) is 56 units
`@variable (model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is 54 units
`@variable (model, 0.0 <= a2 <= 54)`

COVID Restrictions

- Only 47 laborers can be in the factory at a given time
`@constraint (model, 3*x1+2*x2+3*x3+2*x4<=47)`



Model

Objective Function:

- Maximize $5.4x_1 + 6.7x_2 + 1.15x_3 + 1.4x_4$

Subject to:

- $0.2x_1 - 0.25x_2 = 0.0$
- $8x_1 + 7x_2 + 8x_3 + 7x_4 - a_1 \leq 0.0$
- $9x_1 + 6x_2 + 9x_3 + 6x_4 - a_2 \leq 0.0$
- $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 47.0$
- $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, a_1, a_2 \geq 0.0$
- $x_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_4 \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $a_1 \leq 56.0$
- $a_2 \leq 54.0$



Results

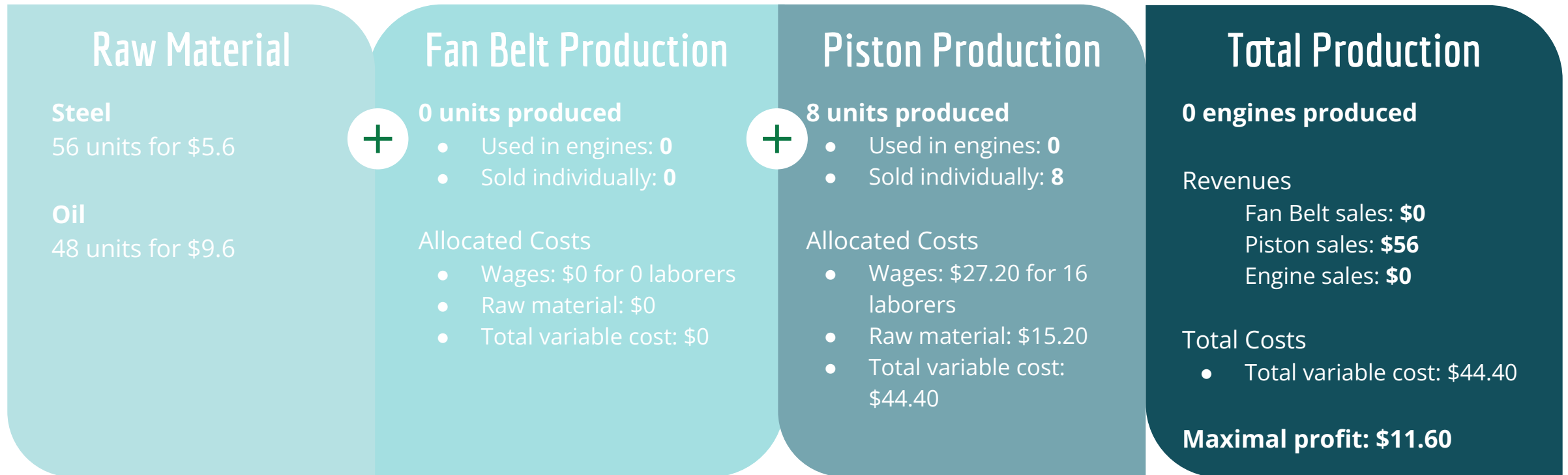
Maximal Profit: \$11.60

Engines Produced: 0

Fan Belts Produced: 0

Pistons Produced: 8

Solution Outputs: COVID Restrictions Impact



Key Insight: The supply chain shortages limited the number of laborers needed for production, meaning **labor is already in compliance** with COVID restrictions

Variation III.

Liquidity Limits

Constraints: Liquidity Limits



Business Problem:

Supply chain shortages and COVID labor restrictions have led to liquidity constraints. The company must **limit total production costs**



Raw Material:

- Required units of steel (a1)
`@constraint(model, 8*x1 + 7*x2 + 8*x3 + 7*x4 <= a1)`
- Required units of oil (a2)
`@constraint(model, 9*x1 + 6*x2 + 9*x3 + 6*x4 <= a2)`
- Availability of steel (a1) is **56 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is **54 units**
`@variable(model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 54)`



Factory Personnel Capacity:

- **47 laborers** can work at a given time
`@constraint(model, 3*x1 + 2*x2 + 3*x3 + 2*x4 <= 47)`



Production Requirements:

- Final engine requires 5 Fan Belts (x1) and 4 Pistons (x2)
`@constraint(model, (x1/5) - (x2/4) == 0.0)`
- Total production cost must not exceed **\$45**
`@constraint(model, cA*(x1+x3) + cB*(x2+x4) <= 45)`

Variation 3

Model: Liquidity Limits



Business Problem:

Supply chain shortages and COVID labor restrictions have led to liquidity constraints. The company must limit total production costs

Problem Adjustments

Limited Raw Materials

- Availability of steel (a1) is 56 units
`@variable (model, 0.0 <= a1 <= 56)`
- Availability of oil (a2) is 54 units
`@variable (model, 0.0 <= a2 <= 54)`

COVID Restrictions

- Only 47 laborers can be in the factory at a given time
`@constraint (model, 3*x1+2*x2+3*x3+2*x4<=47)`

Liquidity Limit:

- Production costs cannot exceed \$45
`@constraint (model, cA*(x1+x3)+cB*(x2+x4)<=45)`



Model

Objective Function:

- Maximize $5.4x_1 + 6.7x_2 + 1.15x_3 + 1.4x_4$

Subject to:

- $0.2x_1 - 0.25x_2 = 0.0$
- $8x_1 + 7x_2 + 8x_3 + 7x_4 - a_1 \leq 0.0$
- $9x_1 + 6x_2 + 9x_3 + 6x_4 - a_2 \leq 0.0$
- $3x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 2x_4 \leq 47.0$
- $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, a_1, a_2 \geq 0.0$
- $x_1 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_2 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_3 \in \mathbb{Z}, x_4 \in \mathbb{Z}$
- $7.9x_1 + 5.5x_2 + 7.9x_3 + 5.5x_4 \leq 45.0$
- $a_1 \leq 56.0$
- $a_2 \leq 54.0$



Results

Maximal Profit: \$11.60

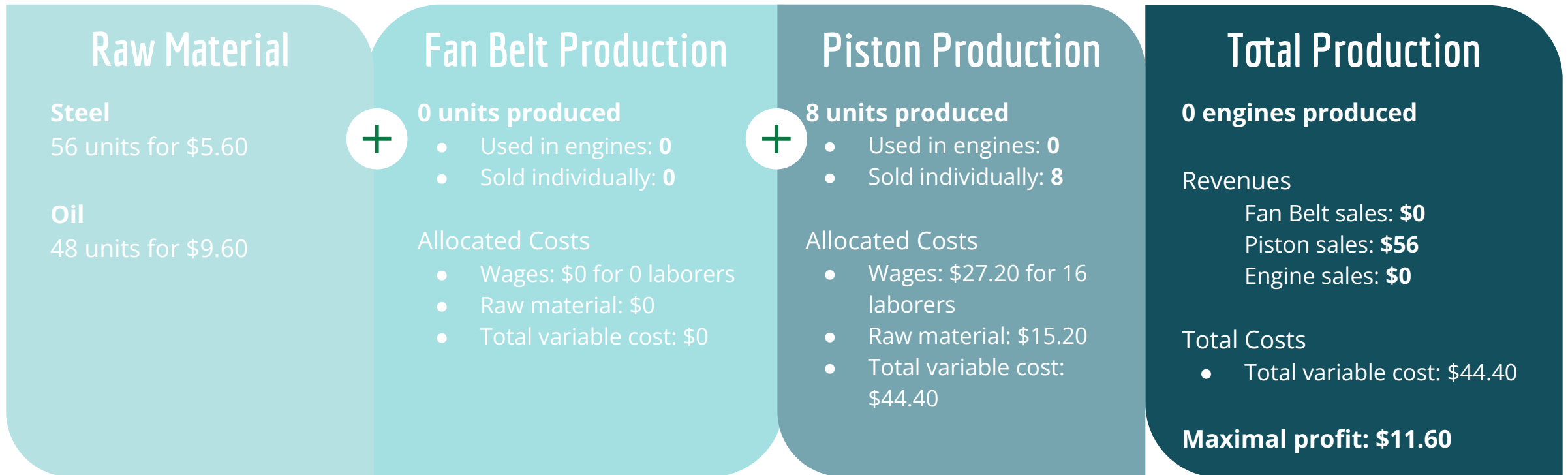
Engines Produced: 0

Fan Belts Produced: 0

Pistons Produced: 8

Variation 3

Solution Outputs: Liquidity Limits



Key Insight: Liquidity constraints can ensure there is a cap on associated cost. It does not impact production and profit in this instance given material constraints

Production Curve

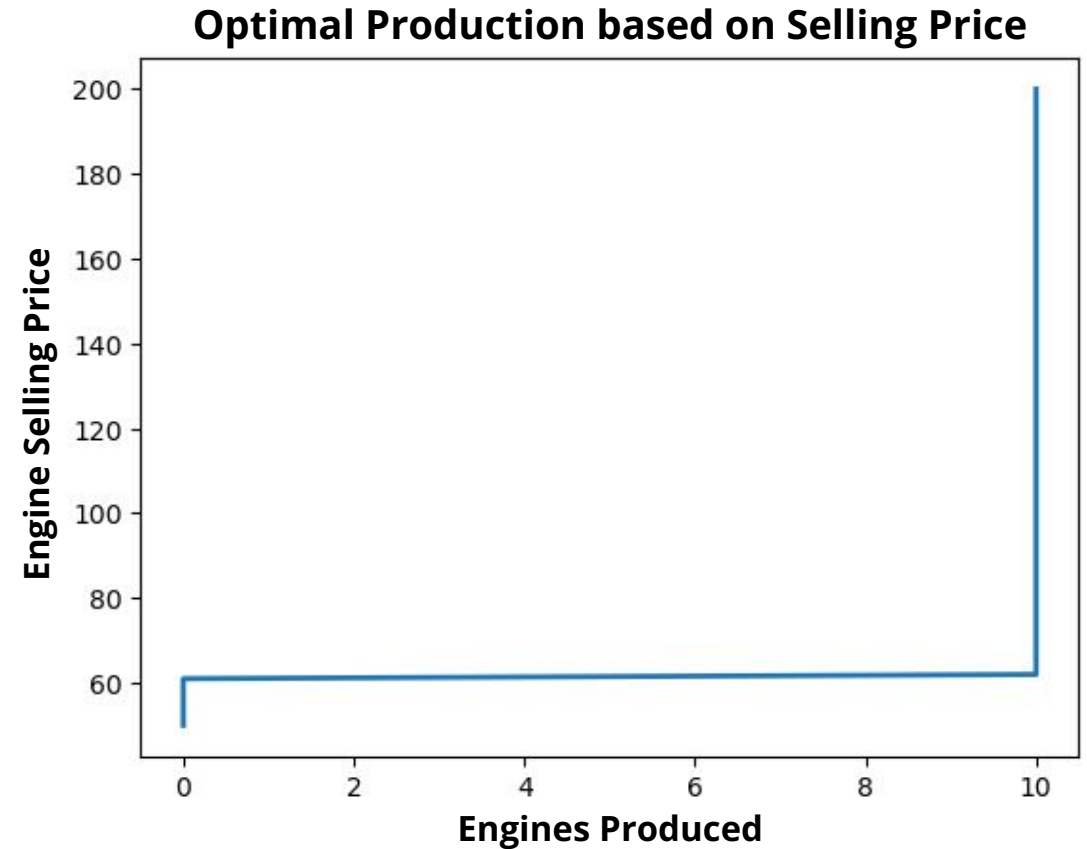
Optimal production quantity

Two optimal levels of production

- Produce zero when $\text{price} < \text{marginal cost}$
- Produce at full capacity (10 engines) when $\text{price} \geq \text{marginal cost}$

→ *No fixed costs*

→ *Constant marginal cost*



**Simplified by removing option to sell individual fan belts and pistons – all subcomponents go to engine production*



Key Takeaways



Key takeaways



Downstream Impacts:

1. Steel and oil are required in the production of both fan belts and pistons, which are both required to produce engines. **Limitations to steel and oil** can have a severe impact on production and profit maximization
2. The impacts of COVID on the factory were downplayed because **labor needs were already reduced** from raw material shortages
3. Limiting production costs is a good way to manage liquidity, but it will put a **cap on profits and production outputs**



Production Takeaways :

1. Profits are maximized when **Fan Belts and Pistons are used in engines** and not sold individually. But, given material constraints, pistons should be prioritized



Additional Considerations



Future work



Inclusion of ...

1. Penalty coefficients for multiple optimization opportunities
2. Additional constraints
3. Stochastic program
4. Fixed costs
5. Changes to production capabilities (opening additional facility)
6. Product line expansion

Appendix

Github and References

- **References**
 - **Ceramics Manufacturing Problem**
 - <https://bibliotekanauki.pl/articles/406208.pdf>