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課程講義(02&03)：線性規劃

Linear Programming

● **COMPONENTS OF AN OPTIMIZATION MODEL**

- Objective Function(s)
 - ⇒ Single vs. Multiple; Linear vs. Nonlinear
 - ⇒ Convex (Concave) vs. Non-convex
- Constraints
 - ⇒ Constrained vs. Unconstrained; Linear vs. Nonlinear
 - ⇒ Convex vs. Non-convex Feasible Regions
- Decision Variables
 - ⇒ Continuous vs. Discrete; Deterministic vs. Stochastic
- System Parameters (Coefficients)
 - ⇒ Deterministic vs. Stochastic => Division into Sub-Models
- Formulation of Optimization Models
 - ⇒ Plain Form: Straightforward but not suitable for large-scaled or complex problems
 - ⇒ Algebraic Formulations => Parameters (Scalars), Vectors, and Matrices (Tables)
 - ⇒ Algebraic Formulations with text (symbolic) description of variables and parameters
 - ⇒ Sets and Indices => Equation Editor for symbolic expressions

● **PROPERTIES OF AN LP AND ITS SOLUTION**

- Proportionality, Additivity, Divisibility, Certainty, and Non-Negativity
- Non-negative Decision Variables => What if negative values are needed?
- A “Convex Programming” Model
 - ⇒ Linear (either Concave or Convex) Objective Function
 - ⇒ Convex, Compact, and Continuous Feasible Region
- Solution Procedure of an LP
 - ⇒ Pre-Optimal Analysis, Optimization (Solution) and Post-Optimization Analysis
 - ⇒ Graphical, Simplex, Dual Simplex, Interior Point and Other Methods
 - ⇒ Optimal Solution => Infeasible, Un-bounded and Degenerate Solutions

● **EXAMPLES OF LINEAR PROGRAMMING**

- Homewood Masonry -- A Material Production Problem
 - ⇒ Objective Function: Maximizing the production profit.
 - ⇒ Decision Variables: Two building products to be produced.
 - ⇒ Constraints: Resource availability, work hours, and curing vat capacity

Resource	HYDIT	FILIT	Availability
Wahash Red Clay	2 m ³ /ton	4 m ³ /ton	28 m ³ /wk
Blending time	5 hr/ton	5 hr/ton	50 hr/wk
Curing vat capacity	8 tons	6 tons	
Profit	\$140/ton	\$160/ton	

1. Algebraic formulation with numerical coefficients

$$\text{Maximize Profit } z = 140x_1 + 160x_2$$

Subject to

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 28$$

$$5x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 50$$

$$x_1 \leq 8$$

$$x_2 \leq 6$$

2. Algebraic formulation with symbolic coefficients

$$\text{Maximize Profit } z = \sum_{j=1}^2 c_j x_j$$

Subject to

$$\sum_{j=1}^2 a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i; \quad i = 1, \dots, 4$$

$$\mathbf{c} = \{c_j\} = [140, 160] \quad \mathbf{b} = \{b_i\} = \begin{bmatrix} 28 \\ 50 \\ 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{A} = \{a_{ij}\} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Matrix formulation

$$\text{Maximize Profit } z = \mathbf{c}' \cdot \mathbf{x}$$

$$z = [140, 160] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Subject to

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \leq \begin{bmatrix} 28 \\ 50 \\ 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

• THE SIMPLEX METHOD

□ Augmented Form of the LP Models

⇒ “Less-than-and-equal-to” Inequality constraints ⇒ Slack variables

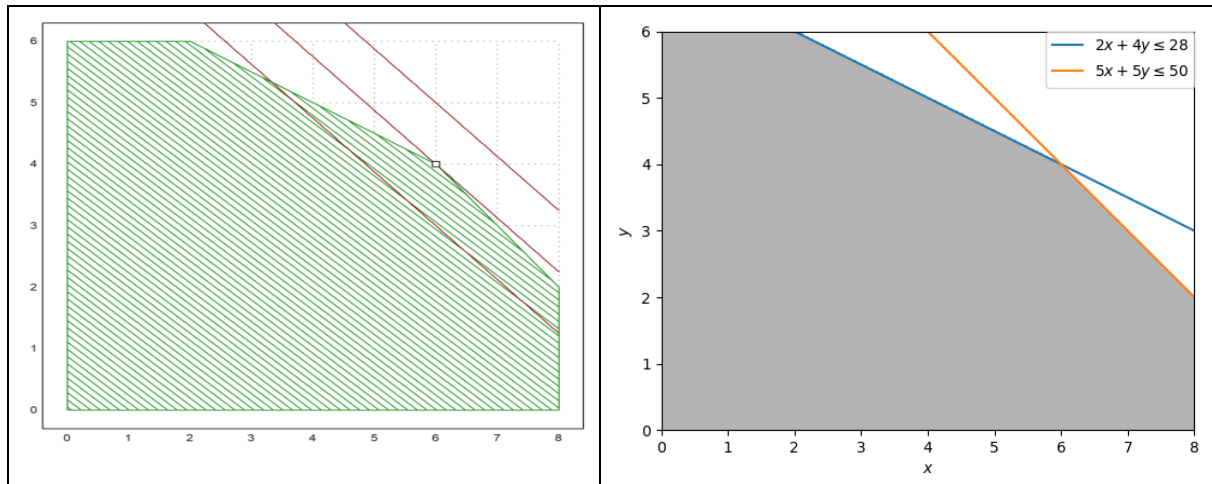
⇒ “Greater-than-and-equal-to” Inequality constraints ⇒ Surplus & Artificial Variables

⇒ Equality constraints ⇒ Artificial variables ⇒ ‘Big-M Treatment’

□ Terminology and Procedure of the Simplex Method

⇒ Basic vs. non-basic variables

- ⇒ Feasible basic solution ⇒ “Adjacent”
- ⇒ Ratio test for Pivoting
- ⇒ Check of “Optimality”
- Simplex Tableaus and [An Animated Presentation](#) ⇒ Copilot Answer



• SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

- Overview and Post-Optimality Analysis
- Sensitivity Analysis on RHS (Resource) Coefficients
 - ⇒ Shadow price, marginal value of a resource and economic interpretation
- Sensitivity Analysis on Objective Function Coefficients
- Graphical Illustration
- Parametric Programming

• DUALITY THEORY

- Model Formulations
- Dual-Primal Relationships
 - ⇒ Implementation from Production Problem
 - ⇒ Implementation from Resource Allocation Problem
- Primal-Dual Methods for Optimization (Lagrange Algorithms)

• DEMONSTRATION CODES

- Please install R, Rstudio, and Euler Math Toolbox in advance!
- Euler Math Toolbox with built-in functions package and ‘lpsolve’
- R with packages of ‘lpsolve’ and ‘gMOIP’
- Excel with Solver (規劃求解) Add-in
- [lpsolveIDE](#)?
- GNU Octave with functions of ‘glpk’ and ‘plot’ ⇒ ChatGPT?
- Python with packages of ‘gilp’ and ‘lpsolve’ (pip install --only-binary :all: gilp)

- HOMEWORK #2 (2025/03/11 Due): *Formulate and Solve* the example problem of Homewood Masonry (ReVelle et al., 2004) by using Excel, R, and Euler Math Toolbox.