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Integer Programming - SOLUTION

1. (7val.) As the leader of a wildlife exploration venture, you would like to explore exactly four out of eight possible sites in order to maximize the annual profit. The sites are labeled as s_1 , s_2 , s_3 , s_4 , s_5 , s_6 , s_7 and s_8 , and the expected associated annual profits (in $10^4 \in$) are given in the table below.

Site	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4	s_5	s_6	s_7	s_8
Profit $(10^4 \in)$	3	4	6	4	2.5	7	2	4.5

a) Formulate this problem in integer linear programming.

$$\max Z = 3x_1 + 4x_2 + 6x_3 + 4x_4 + 2.5x_5 + 7x_6 + 2x_7 + 4.5x_8 \tag{1}$$

subject to

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 + x_7 + x_8 = 4 \tag{2}$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8 \in \{0, 1\},$$
(3)

where

 $i = 1, ..., 8, x_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if site } s_i \text{ is explored} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

b) Find an optimal solution of the problem and calculate the corresponding profit. Exploring sites 6, 3, 8 and 2, with the annual profit of $21.5 \times 10^4 \in$.

c) Formulate constraints for the following conditions:

- i) Sites s_3 and s_6 can not be explored simultaneously. $x_3 + x_6 \leq 1$.
- ii) If site s_2 is explored, then site s_5 must also be explored. $x_2 \le x_5$.
- iii) If site s_3 and s_4 are both explored, then site s_7 must also be explored. $x_3 + x_4 - 1 \le s_7$.
- iv) If site s_3 and s_6 are both explored, then site s_8 can not be explored. $x_8 \le 2 - (x_3 + x_6)$.

2. (3val.) Consider the mixed integer linear programming model

and an incomplete branch-and-bound for the model, where node 1 represents its linear relaxation (LB_i) is the objective function value of the optimal solution obtained at node *i*, displayed in the table below).



- a) Compute LB_2 . $LB_2 = -2(0.4) + 3(0.6) + 2(1) + 3(0) = 3.0.$
- b) Which nodes can be pruned?

Node 4 because it is infeasible; node 7 because gives a feasible solution of the mixed integer linear programming model; node 6 because the corresponding solution is already worse than the feasible solution known ($LB_6 > 4.4$). Node 5 cannot be pruned because it is possible to obtain further from this node a feasible solution better than the best feasible solution known ($LB_5 < 4.4$).

c) Between which values does the objective function value of an optimal solution of the model lie?

Between 3.86 (the unexplored node) and 4.4 (the best solution found so far).