

Module 1

Introduction

OR is a scientific approach for decision making. It is a set of operations to be performed to get the desired outcome. We are finding the best operations giving the best outcome.

Ex: 1) In case of industry marketing strategies for product (Research of already existing products, survey, advertising plans etc.)
2) For selecting investment plan (with maximum interest).

Phases of Operations Research

- 1) Formulation : Formulating the problem in an appropriate model (problem statement). This includes finding objective function, constraints or restrictions, alternate course of action, controllable and uncontrollable variables. Right formulation gives right solution. Therefore we must be very careful while executing this phase.
- 2) Phase 2 - constructing the mathematical model
This phase is concerned with reformation of the problem in an appropriate form. Mathematical model should include decision variables, objective functions and constraints.
- 3) Phase 3 - Derivation of the solution from model

This phase involves computation of the values of decision variables which maximise or minimize the objective function. We need to find the optimal solution of the problem.

4) Testing the mathematical model and its solution

The completed model is tested for errors. A good model should be applicable for a longer time and it should be updated time to time by taking into account the past, present and future specifications of the problem.

5) Establishing control over the solution

After testing the next step is to install the well documented system for applying the model. It includes the solution procedure and operating procedure for implementation. This phase also establishes a systematic procedure for detecting changes and controlling the situation.

6) Implomtation

It involves translation of the model's results into operating instructions. It is important to ensure that the solution is accurately translated into an operating procedure to rectify faults in the solution.

Mathematical Formulation of a LPP.

Step 1: Define the decision variable x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n

Step 2: Construct the objective function which has to be optimized as a linear equation involving decision variables. (Maximization or minimization)

Step 3: Express every condition as a linear inequality involving decision variables (constraints)

Step 4: State the nonnegativity condition and hence express the given problem as a mathematical model.

Ex: ① A firm has 3 products P_1, P_2, P_3 which are produced on 3 different machines. Following table gives the data about products and machine relation. Profit per each unit of product P_1, P_2 and P_3 is Rs. 4, Rs. 3 and Rs. 6 respectively. Formulate this as a mathematical model to find the no. of units of each type to be produced and to maximize the profit.

Machine	Time/unit (minutes)			machine capacity (in min)
	P_1	P_2	P_3	
M_1	2	3	2	440
M_2	4	-	3	470
M_3	2	5	-	430

→ Profit - P1 → 4 Rs.
 P2 → 25.3
 P3 → 15.6 } per unit

1) Let x_1 & units of P1 produced
 x_2 units of P2 produced
 x_3 units of P3 produced

2) Objective function, → profit → maximize
 maximize $Z = 4x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_3$

3) Constraints

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 \leq 440$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_3 \leq 470$$

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 430$$

4) Non negativity

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

② The manufacturer produces 3 models

M1, M2 and M3 of a certain product

using raw materials A and B. The following table gives the data

Raw material	Requirement/unit	Machine capacity
A	M1: 2, M2: 3, M3: 5	4000
B	M1: 4, M2: 2, M3: 7	6000
Min Demand	M1: 800, M2: 200, M3: 150	—
Profit/unit	M1: 30, M2: 20, M3: 50	—

→ Profit - M1 → 30

M2 → 20

M3 \rightarrow 50

1) Let x_1 units of M1 produced
 x_2 units of M2 produced
 x_3 units of M3 produced

2) objective function \rightarrow Profit \rightarrow maximize
max $Z = 30x_1 + 20x_2 + 50x_3$

3) constraints

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 4000$$

$$4x_1 + 2x_2 + 7x_3 \leq 6000$$

$$x_1 \geq 200 \text{ (minimum demand for } x_1)$$

$$x_2 \geq 200$$

$$x_3 \geq 150$$

4) Non negativity

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

3) Manufacture of patent medicines has planned to prepare a production plan for medicine A and B. There are sufficient ingredients available to make 20000 bottles of medicine A and 40,000 bottles of medicine B. But there are only 45,000 bottles into which the medicines can be filled. Further it takes 3 hours to prepare enough materials to fill 1000 bottles of medicine A and 1 hour to prepare material to fill 1000 bottles of medicine B and there are 66 hours available for this operation. The profit is Rs. 8 per

bottle of medicine A and Rs. 7 per bottle of medicine B. Formulate this as a L.P.P.

→ profit - A → Rs. 8

B → Rs. 7

1) Let x_1 1000 bottles of medicine A produced
 x_2 1000 bottles of medicine B. Produced

2) objective function → profit → maximize
 $\max Z = 8000x_1 + 7000x_2$

3) constraints

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 45$$

$$x_1 \leq 20$$

$$x_2 \leq 40$$

$$3x_1 + x_2 \leq 66$$

4) Non negativity

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

④ A farmer has 100 Acre farm. He can sell all tomatoes, lettuce, radishes which he grows. The price he can obtain is Rs. 1 per kg tomato, Rs. 0.75 a head for lettuce, Rs. 2 per kg for radish. The average yield for acre is 8000 kg of tomato, 3000 heads of lettuce and 1000 kg of radishes. Fertilizer is available at Rs. 0.5 per kg and amount required is per acre is 100 kg for tomato and lettuce, 50 kg for radishes, labour required is 5 man days.

both
LP.

For tomatoes and radishes, 6 man days for lettuce. A total of 400 man days of labour are available at Rs. 20 per man day. Formulate this as a linear LP to maximize the profit

Let
Let

Let x_1 - acre of tomato
 x_2 - acre of lettuce
 x_3 - acre of radish

$$\text{Total sale profit} = 2000x_1 + 3000x_2 + 1500x_3$$

$$\text{Fertilizer cost} = 100x_1 \times 0.5 + 0.5 \times 100 \times x_2 + 0.5 \times 50 \times x_3$$

$$\text{Labour cost} = 5 \times 20 \times x_1 + 6 \times 20 \times x_2 + 5 \times 20 \times x_3$$

$$\text{Final profit} = \text{Sale profit} - (\text{Fertilizer cost} + \text{Labour cost})$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z &= 2000x_1 + 2250x_2 + 2000x_3 - \\ & (100x_1 + 100x_2 + 100x_3 + 50x_1 + 150x_2 + 75x_3) \\ &= 2000x_1 + 2250x_2 + 2000x_3 - (150x_1 + 175x_2 + 105x_3) \\ &= 1850x_1 + 2080x_2 + 1875x_3 \end{aligned}$$

Constraints

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \leq 100$$

$$5x_1 + 6x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 400$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$$

5) A toy company manufactures 3 types of dolls, A basic version doll A and deluxe version doll B. Each doll of type B takes twice as long to produce as one of type A, and the company has

time to make a maximum of 2000 per day. The supply of plastic is sufficient to produce 1500 dolls per day. The deluxe version requires a fancy dress of which there are only 600 per day available. If the company makes a profit of Rs. 3 and Rs. 5 per doll respectively on doll A and doll B. Then many of each doll should be produced per day in order to maximize the profit.

→ let x_1 - no. of type doll A
 x_2 - no. of type doll B

objective function
 $\max z = 3x_1 + 5x_2$

constraints

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 1500$$

$$x_2 \leq 600$$

time required for A = t_1

" " " " B = $2t_1$

$$t_1 x_1 + 2t_1 x_2 \leq 2000$$

$$\text{ignore } t_1 \Rightarrow x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2000$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

Graphical Method

Ex: 1) obtain graphical solution for the following problem.

maximize $Z = 3x_1 + 5x_2$

$$8.1- \quad 3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 18$$

$$x_1 \leq 4$$

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$$2x_2 \leq 18$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

→ change the inequality to equality

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 = 18$$

solve for x_1 and x_2 by alternating
 considering other variable zero

Put $x_1 = 0$

$$2x_2 = 18 \Rightarrow x_2 = 9 \quad (0, 9)$$

Put $x_2 = 0$

$$3x_1 = 18 \Rightarrow x_1 = 6 \quad (6, 0)$$

graph

$$x_1 \leq 4 \Rightarrow x_1 = 4$$

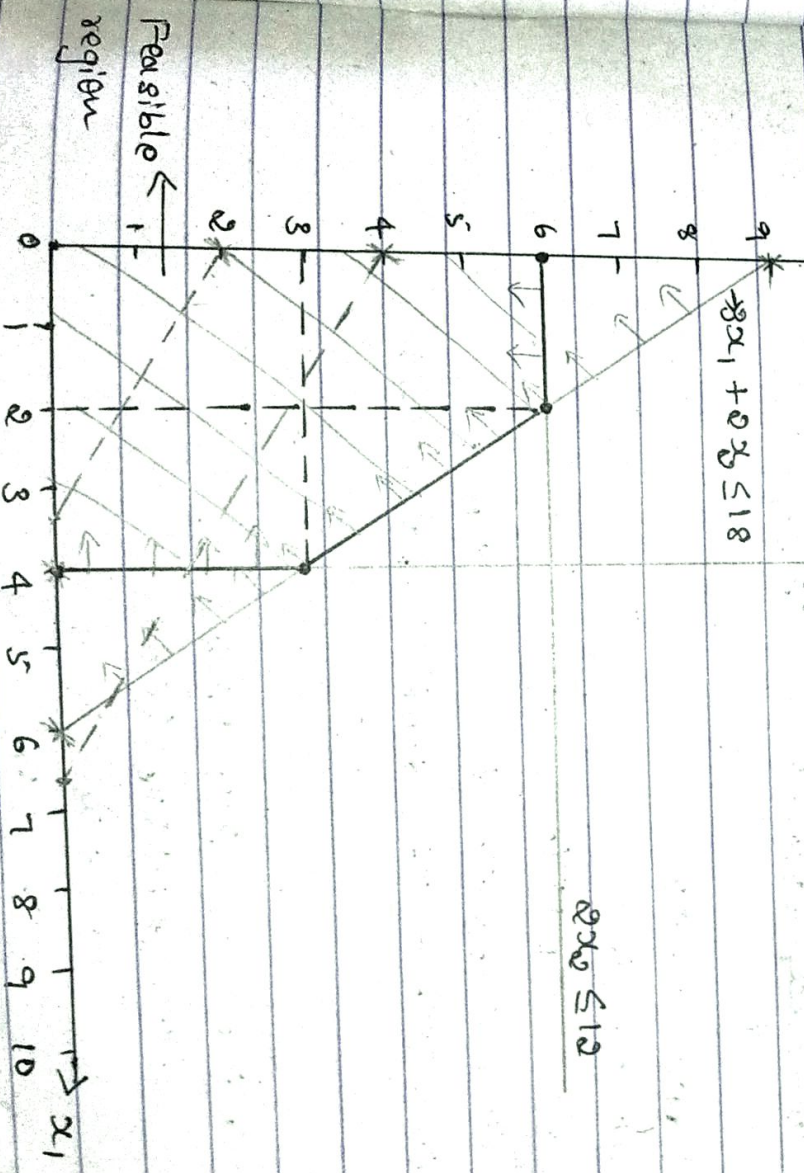
$$2x_2 \leq 18 \Rightarrow 2x_2 = 18 \Rightarrow x_2 = 9$$

$$x_2 \leq 10$$

$$\rightarrow x_1 \leq 4$$

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 18$$

$$2x_2 \leq 18$$



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2 methods

1) Corner point method (CPF) in feasible region

Note down corner points

- $(0, 0) \Rightarrow z = 0$
- $(0, 6) \Rightarrow z = 12$
- $(4, 0) \Rightarrow z = 30$
- $(2, 6) \Rightarrow z = 36$
- $(4, 3) \Rightarrow z = 27$

36 is maximum i.e. $z = 36 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2, x_2 = 6$.

2) Parallel line techniques

take $z = 10$

take $x_1 = 0, x_2 = ?$

$x_2 = 0, x_1 = ?$

- 1 $10 = 3x_1 + 5x_2 \quad (0, 2)$
- $10 = 5x_2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2$
- $10 = 3x_1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 3.33 \quad (3.33, 0)$

take $z = 20$

but $x_1 = 0$

$20 = 3x_1 + 5x_2$

$20 = 5x_2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 4 \quad (0, 4)$

but $x_2 = 0, 20 = 3x_1 \Rightarrow x_1 = 6.66 \quad (6.66, 0)$

2) Maximize $z = 3x_1 + 5x_2$

s.t. $x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2000$

$x_1 + x_2 \leq 1500$

$x_2 \leq 600$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

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$$\rightarrow x_1 + 0x_2 \leq 2000$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 2000$$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$$2x_2 = 2000 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1000 \quad (0, 1000)$$

Put $x_2 = 0$

$$x_1 = 2000 \quad (2000, 0)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 1500 \Rightarrow x_1 + x_2 = 1500$$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$$x_2 = 1500 \quad (0, 1500)$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 1500 \quad (1500, 0)$$

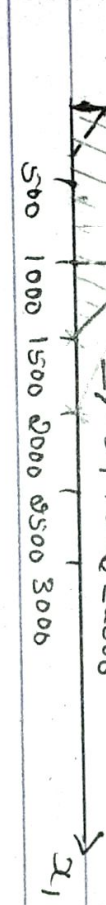
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$$x_2 \leq 600 \Rightarrow x_2 = 600$$

$$1500 \rightarrow x_1 + x_2 \leq 1500$$

$$x_2 \leq 600$$

$$\rightarrow x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 2000$$



Parallel line technique

Let $Z = 1000$

$$1000 = 3x_1 + 5x_2$$

$$x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 200 \quad (0, 200)$$

$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 333.33 \quad (333.33, 0)$$

$$x_1 = 1000 \quad x_2 = 500$$

$$Z = 3x_1 + 5x_2 \Rightarrow Z = \underline{\underline{5500}}$$

11] A company produces both exterior & interior paints from raw material m_1 and m_2 . The following table gives the basic data using the details. Find the optimal solution graphically.

raw material	Tons of raw material / ton of	Interior paint	max day availability
m_1	6	4	24
m_2	1	2	6
profit / ton	5	4	

Market survey indicates that the daily demand for interior paint cannot exceed for exterior paint by more than one ton. Also the maximum daily demand for interior paints is 2 tons.

Let x_1 - ton of exterior paint
 x_2 - ton of interior paint

Objective Function $\max Z = 5x_1 + 4x_2$

Constraints

$$6x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 24$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 6$$

$$x_2 - x_1 \leq 1$$

$$x_2 \leq 2$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

$$6x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 24 \Rightarrow 6x_1 + 4x_2 = 24$$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$$4x_2 = 24 \Rightarrow x_2 = 6 \quad (0, 6)$$

Put $x_2 = 0$

$$6x_1 = 24 \Rightarrow x_1 = 4 \quad (4, 0)$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 6 \Rightarrow x_1 + 2x_2 = 6$$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$$2x_2 = 6 \Rightarrow x_2 = 3 \quad (0, 3)$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 6 \quad (6, 0)$$

$$x_2 - x_1 \leq 1 \Rightarrow x_2 - x_1 = 1$$

Put $x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1 \quad (0, 1)$

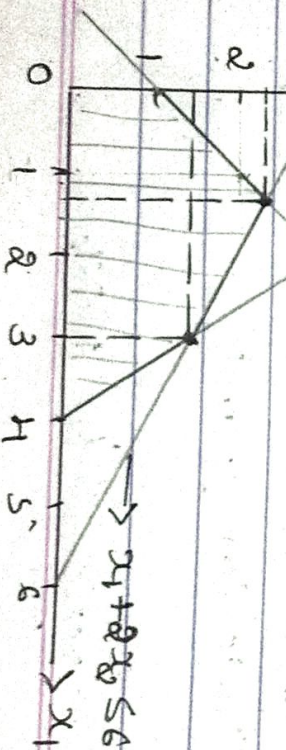
$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = -1$$

(1, 2)

$x_2 = 2 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1$ (this region above have assign)

$$\rightarrow 6x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 24$$

$$\rightarrow x_2 - x_1 \leq 1$$



Corner point method

$$(0, 0) \Rightarrow Z = 0$$

$$(0, 1) \Rightarrow Z = 4$$

$$(1.33, 2.3) \Rightarrow Z = 15.7$$

$$(3, 1.5) \Rightarrow Z = 21$$

$$(4, 0) \Rightarrow Z = 20$$

Q1 is maximum i.e. $Z = 21 \Rightarrow x_1 = 3$ $x_2 = 1.5$

5) * Old hens can be bought at Rs. 2

each and younger one at Rs. 5 each.

The old hens lay 3 eggs per week

whereas younger ones lay 5 eggs

per week. Each egg being worth 30

paise. The hen costs Rs. 1 per week

to feed. If there is only 80 rupees

available for purchasing the hens, how

many of each kind you will buy

to get a profit of more than Rs. 6

per week assuming that you cannot

have more than 20 hens. Formulate

this and solve graphically.

\rightarrow Let $x_1 \rightarrow$ no. of old hens

$x_2 \rightarrow$ no. of younger hens.

objective function \Rightarrow gain = by selling eggs

$$\text{max } Z = (3x_1 + 5x_2) \times 0.30 - (x_1 + x_2) \times 0.30$$

$$\text{cost} = (x_1 + x_2) \times 1$$

$$\text{max } Z = (3x_1 + 5x_2) \times 0.30 - (x_1 + x_2)$$

$$Z = 0.5x_2 - 0.1x_1$$

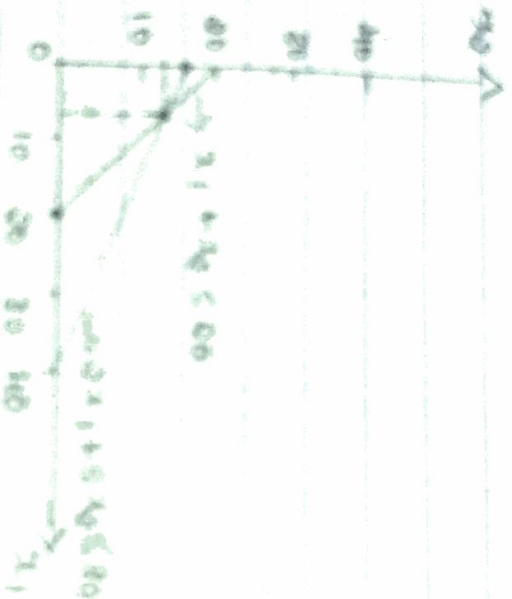
$$\begin{aligned} \text{3.1} \quad & x_1 + x_2 \leq 80 \\ & 2x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 80 \\ & x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 = 80 & \quad (0, 80) \\ \text{Put } x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 80 & \quad (0, 80) \\ \text{Put } x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 80 & \quad (80, 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$2x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 80$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } x_1 = 0 & \quad (0, 16) \\ 5x_2 = 80 \Rightarrow x_2 = 16 & \quad (0, 16) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } x_2 = 0 & \quad (40, 0) \\ 2x_1 = 80 \Rightarrow x_1 = 40 & \quad (40, 0) \end{aligned}$$



corner point method

$$(0, 0) \Rightarrow z = 0$$

$$(0, 16) \Rightarrow z = 9$$

$$(6, 16) \Rightarrow z = 5.9$$

$$(80, 0) \Rightarrow z = 2$$

∴ if maximum i.e. $z = 9 \Rightarrow x_1 = 0, x_2 = 16$

1) A firm plans to purchase at least 800 quintal of scrap containing high quality metal X, low quality metal Y. If it decides that a scrap purchased must contain atleast 100 quintal of metal X & not more than 35 quintal of metal Y. The firm can purchase the scrap from 2 suppliers A and B. The percentage of X and Y metal by suppliers A & B is given in the following table.

Scrap metal	Supplier A	Supplier B
X	25%	75%
Y	10%	20%

The price of A is Rs. 200 per quintal and that of B is Rs. 400 per quintal. Formulate this & solve graphically to minimize the purchase cost. How much amount of metal should be purchased from supplier A & B?

→ let x_1 - amount of high quality metal X
 x_2 - " " low " "

let x_1 quintal from supplier A
 x_2 " " " B

max $Z = 200x_1 + 400x_2$

s.t $x_1 + x_2 \geq 200$

$25x_1 + 75x_2 \geq 100$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{25}x_1 + \frac{3}{25}x_2 \geq 4$

$10x_1 + 20x_2 \geq 100$ $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10}x_1 + \frac{2}{10}x_2 \geq 10$

$10x_1 + 20x_2 \geq 35$

$\Rightarrow 0.1x_1 + 0.2x_2 \leq 3.5$

$$x_1 + 0.3x_2 \leq 356$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 = 4100$$

$$\text{Put } x_1 = 0$$

$$3x_2 = 4100 \Rightarrow x_2 = 133.33 \quad (0, 133.33)$$

$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 4100 \quad (4100, 0)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 2000$$

$$\text{Put } x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2000 \quad (0, 2000)$$

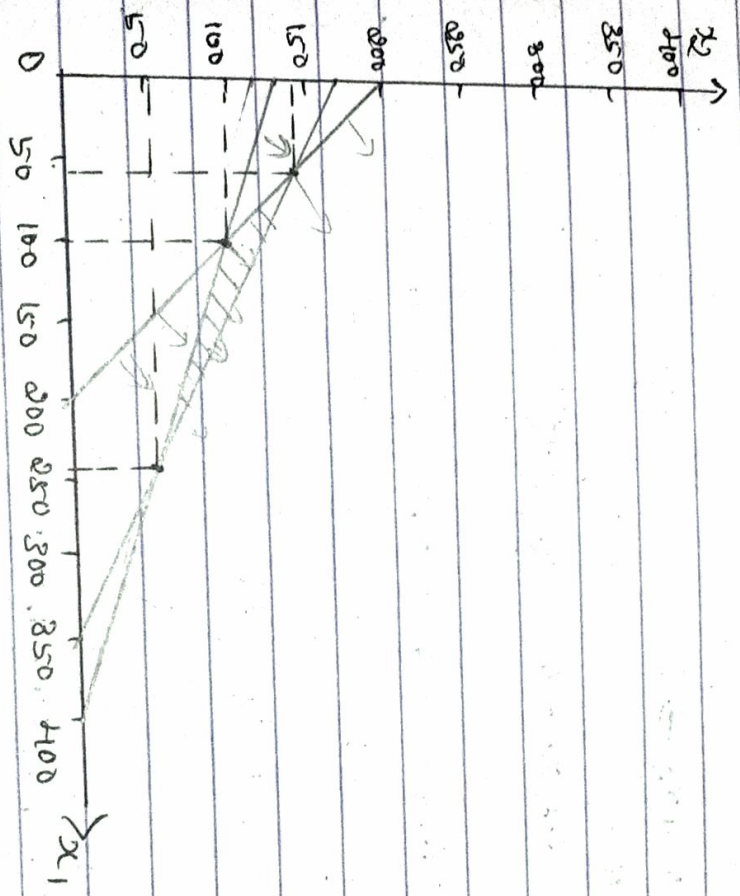
$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2000 \quad (2000, 0)$$

$$2 \cdot x_1 + 0.2x_2 = 350$$

$$\text{Put } x_1 = 0$$

$$0.2x_2 = 350 \Rightarrow x_2 = 175 \quad (0, 175)$$

$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 350 \quad (350, 0)$$



$$(100, 100) \Rightarrow Z = 60,000$$

$$(60, 140) \Rightarrow Z = 68,000$$

$$(240, 60) \Rightarrow Z = 72,000$$

60,000 is minimum & $Z = 60,000$, $x = 100$, $y = 100$

8) minimize $Z = 0.4x_1 + 0.5x_2$
 s.t $0.3x_1 + 0.1x_2 \leq 2.7$
 $0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 6$
 $0.6x_1 + 0.4x_2 \geq 6$

$\rightarrow 0.3x_1 + 0.1x_2 = 2.7$

Put $x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow 0.1x_2 = 2.7 \Rightarrow x_2 = 27$ $(0, 27)$

$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 0.3x_1 = 2.7 \Rightarrow x_1 = 9$ $(9, 0)$

$0.5x_1 + 0.5x_2 = 6$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$0.5x_2 = 6 \Rightarrow x_2 = 12$ $(12, 0)$

$x_2 = 0$

$0.5x_1 = 6 \Rightarrow x_1 = 12$ $(0, 12)$

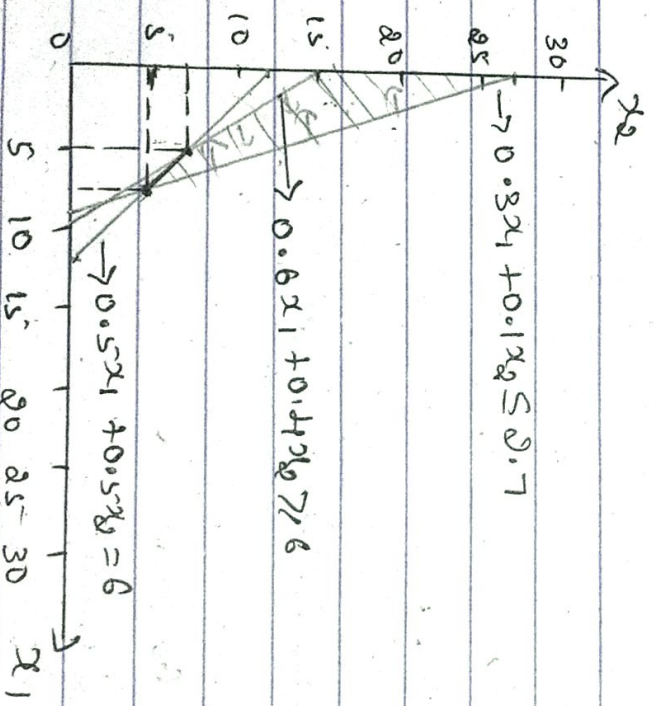
$0.6x_1 + 0.4x_2 \geq 6$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$0.4x_2 = 6 \Rightarrow x_2 = 15$ $(0, 15)$

$x_2 = 0$

$0.6x_1 = 6 \Rightarrow x_1 = 10$ $(10, 0)$



(0, 15)

$$(5, 7) \Rightarrow Z = 5 \cdot 5$$

$$(7.5, 5) \Rightarrow Z = 5 \cdot 5$$

$$Z = 5 \cdot 5 \quad x_1 = 7.5 \quad x_2 = 5$$

Special cases in graphical solution

1) Multiple optimal solution

2) No feasible solution

3) Unbounded solution

4) No possible region

(0, 27)
(9, 0)

1) Maximize $Z = x_1 + 2x_2$

$$\text{s.t. } x_1 \leq 80$$

$$x_2 \leq 60$$

$$5x_1 + 6x_2 \leq 600$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 160$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

$$\rightarrow 5x_1 + 6x_2 = 600$$

$$\text{Put } x_1 = 0$$

$$6x_2 = 600 \Rightarrow x_2 = 100 \quad (0, 100)$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$5x_1 = 600 \Rightarrow x_1 = 120 \quad (120, 0)$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 160$$

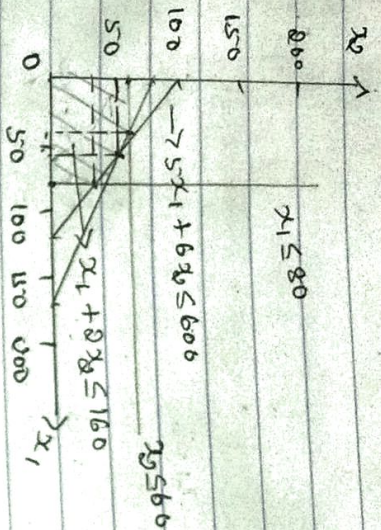
$$\text{Put } x_1 = 0$$

$$2x_2 = 160 \Rightarrow x_2 = 80 \quad (0, 80)$$

$$x_2 = 0$$

$$x_1 = 160 \quad (160, 0)$$

$$x_1 = 80, \quad x_2 = 60$$



$$(0, 0) \Rightarrow z = 0$$

$$(0, 60) \Rightarrow z = 120$$

$$(40, 60) \Rightarrow z = 160$$

$$(60, 50) \Rightarrow z = 150$$

$$(80, 30) \Rightarrow z = 140$$

$$(80, 0) \Rightarrow z = 80$$

$$z = 160 \quad x_1 = 40 \quad x_2 = 60$$

2) Maximize $z = 3x_1 + 8x_2$

$$x_1 - x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \geq 3$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 - x_2 \leq 1$$

$$x_1 - x_2 = 1$$

$$\text{put } x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = -1$$

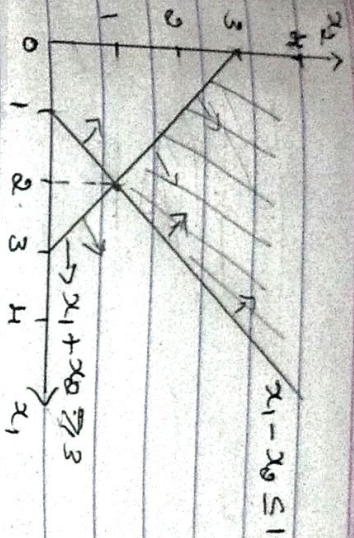
$$\text{put } x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 1 \quad (1, 0)$$

$$\text{put } x_1 = 2 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1 \quad (2, 1)$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \geq 3$$

$$\text{put } x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 3 \quad (0, 3)$$

$$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 3 \quad (3, 0)$$



unbounded solution. The feasible region is unbounded.

Can't find maximum point.

3) max $z = 200x_1 + 300x_2$

s.t. $2x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 1200$

$x_1 + x_2 \leq 400$

$2x_1 + 1.5x_2 \geq 900$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

$\rightarrow 2x_1 + 3x_2 = 1200$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$3x_2 = 1200 \Rightarrow x_2 = 400$ (0, 400)

$x_2 = 0$

$2x_1 = 1200 \Rightarrow x_1 = 600$ (600, 0)

$x_1 + x_2 \leq 400$

Put $x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 400$ (0, 400)

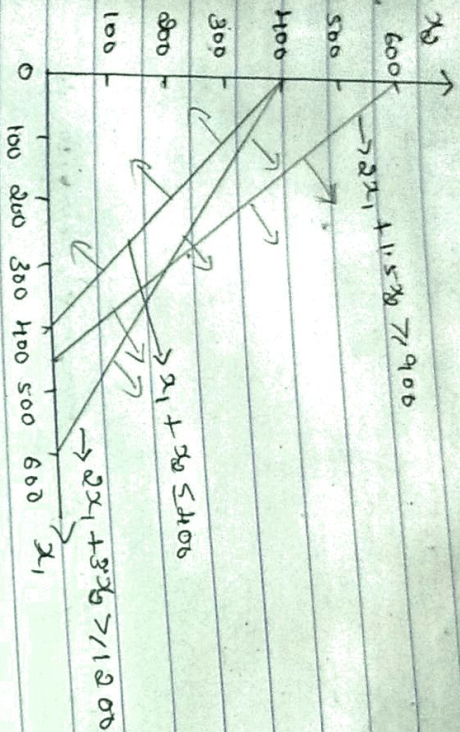
$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 400$ (400, 0)

$2x_1 + 1.5x_2 \geq 900$

Put $x_1 = 0$

$1.5x_2 = 900 \Rightarrow x_2 = 600$ (0, 600)

$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow 2x_1 = 900 \Rightarrow x_1 = 450$ (450, 0)



There is no common region which satisfies all the constraints. Therefore there is no feasible region for the graph. Hence the problem does not have any solution.

4) minimize $Z = 1.5x_1 + 0.5x_2$

s.t $x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 3$

$x_1 + x_2 \geq 2$

$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$

$\rightarrow x_1 + 3x_2 = 3$

Put $x_1 = 0$

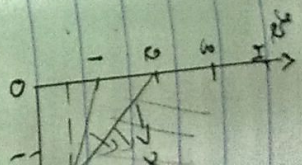
$3x_2 = 3 \Rightarrow x_2 = 1 \quad (0, 1)$

$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 3 \quad (3, 0)$

$x_1 + 3x_2 \geq 3$

Put $x_1 = 0 \Rightarrow x_2 = 2 \quad (0, 2)$

$x_2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_1 = 2 \quad (2, 0)$



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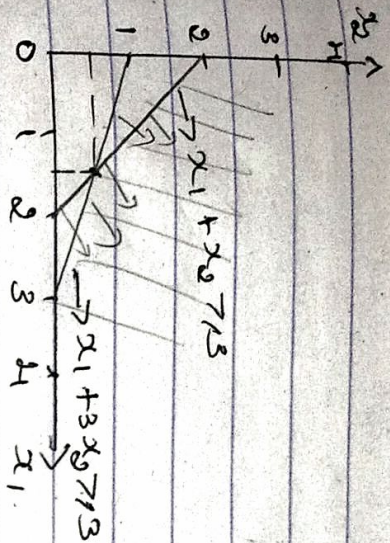
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$(0, 5), (1, 5), (0, 5) \Rightarrow Z = 3.5$

Here we are finding minimum so least point needs to be considered.

Feasible region: Region which satisfies all the constraints.

Optimal solution

It is most favourable solution (highest value for maximization problems and least value for minimization problem).