

## UNIT - III

GENERAL PRIMAL - DUAL PAIR :

Definition 1. (Standard primal problem)

Maximize

$z = c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_n x_n$  Subject to the constraints :

$$a_{i1} x_1 + a_{i2} x_2 + \dots + a_{in} x_n = b_i \quad ; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$x_j \geq 0 \quad ; \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Dual problem

Minimize  $z^* = b_1 w_1 + b_2 w_2 + \dots + b_m w_m$

Subject to the constraints :

$$a_{ij} w_1 + a_{2j} w_2 + \dots + a_{mj} w_m \geq c_j ;$$

$$w_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \text{ unrestricted} . \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

Note that  $x_j$ 's are the primal variables,  $w_i$ 's the dual variables and the other constants have their own meanings.

Definition . 2 (Standard primal problem)

Minimize  $z = c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + \dots + c_n x_n$  Subject to the constraints

$$a_{i1} x_1 + a_{i2} x_2 + \dots + a_{in} x_n = b_i \quad ; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$x_j \geq 0 \quad ; \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

## Dual problem

$$\text{Maximize } Z^* = b_1 W_1 + b_2 W_2 + \dots + b_m W_m$$

Subject to the constraints

$$a_{1j} W_1 + a_{2j} W_2 + \dots + a_{mj} W_m \leq C_j :$$

$$W_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \text{ unrestricted} \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

### FORMULATING A DUAL PROBLEM:

Step: 1 put the given linear programming problem into its standard form. consider it as the primal problem.

Step: 2 Identify the variables to be used in the dual problem. The number of these variables equals the number of constraint equations in the primal.

Step: 3 Write down the objective function of the dual, using the right-hand side constants of the primal constraints.

If the primal problem is of maximization type, the dual will be a minimization problem and vice-versa.

Step: 4 Making use of dual variable identified in step 2 write the constraints for the dual problem.

a) If the primal is a maximization problem,

the dual constraints must be all of  $\geq$  type. If the primal is a minimization problem, the dual constraints must be all of  $\leq$  type.

b) The column coefficients of the primal constraints become the row coefficients of the dual constraints.

c) The coefficients of the primal objective function becomes the right-hand side constants of the dual constraints.

d) The dual variables are defined to be unrestricted in sign.

Step: 5 Using steps 3 and 4 write down the dual of the given LPP.

PRIMAL - DUAL PAIR IN MATRIX FORM:

Standard primal problem

Definition: 1 (Standard primal problem). Find  $x^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$  so as to maximize  $z = cx$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$  subject to the constraints

$$Ax = b \text{ and } x \geq 0, b^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Where  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  real matrix.

Dual Problem. Find  $w^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$  so as to minimize

$z^* = b^T w$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  subject to the constraints:

$$A^T w \geq c^T, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$$



Where  $A^T$  is the transpose of an  $m \times n$  real matrix,  
 $A$  and  $W$  is unrestricted in sign.

Definition 2. (Standard primal problem) Find  $x^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
So as to minimize  $Z = cx$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$  subject to the constraints  
 $Ax = b$  and  $x \geq 0$ ,  $b^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$

Where  $A$  is  $m \times n$  real matrix.

Dual problem. Find  $W^T \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , So as to maximize  
 $Z^* = b^T W$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$  subject to the constraints  
 $A^T W \leq c^T$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Where  $A^T$  is the transpose of an  $m \times n$  real matrix  
 $A$  and  $W$  is unrestricted in sign.

#### DUAL SIMPLEX METHOD:

Step:1 Write the given linear programming  
problem in its standard form and obtain a starting  
basic solution.

Step:2 (a) If the current basic solution is  
feasible, use simplex method to obtain an optimum  
solution.

(b) If the current basic solution is  
infeasible, i.e., values of basic variables, are  $\leq 0$ , go to  
the next step.

Step: 3 check whether the solution is optimum.

a) If the solution is not optimum, add an artificial constraint in such a way that the condition of optimality is satisfied.

b) If the solution is optimum, go to next step.

Step: 4

Select the basic variable having the most negative value, this basic variable becomes the leaving variable and the row corresponding to it becomes the key row.

Step: 5 obtain the ratios of the net evaluations to the corresponding coefficients in the row. ignore the ratios associated with positive and zero denominators. The entering vector is the one with by smallest absolute value of the ratios. Column corresponding to the entering vector become the key column.

Step: 6 Reduce the leading element into unity (and all other entries of the key column to zero by elementary row operations.

Step: 7 Go to step 2 and repeat the procedure until an optimum basic feasible solution is attained.

## UNIT → IV

### THE TRANSPORTATION TABLE:

Since the T.P. is just a special case of general L.P.P., The application of Simplex method would, no doubt, give an optimum solution to the problem. However, fortunately, Simplex, like, method for solving such problems has been developed, Whenever it is possible to place the given L.P.P. in the transportation framework, it is far simpler to solve it by Transportation method than by the Simplex method. To facilitate presentation and solution, the transportation problem is generally portrayed in a tabular form as shown below:

		Destination				Supply
		1	2	...	n	
origin	1	$x_{11}$	$x_{12}$	...	$x_{1n}$	$a_1$
		$c_{11}$	$c_{12}$	...	$c_{1n}$	
	2	$x_{21}$	$x_{22}$	...	$x_{2n}$	$a_2$
		$c_{21}$	$c_{22}$	...	$c_{2n}$	
...	...	...	...	...	...	
m	$x_{m1}$	$x_{m2}$	...	$x_{mn}$	$a_m$	
	$c_{m1}$	$c_{m2}$	...	$c_{mn}$		
Demand		$b_1$	$b_2$	...	$b_n$	

The  $mn$  large squares are called the cells. The per unit cost  $c_{ij}$  of transporting from the  $i$ th origin  $O_i$  to the  $j$ th destination  $D_j$  is displayed in the lower right position of the  $(i, j)$ th cell. Any feasible.



Solution to the T.P is displayed in the table by variable  $x_{ij}$  at the upper left position of the  $(i, j)$ th cell. The various origin capacities and destination requirements are listed in the right most (outer) column and the bottom (outer) row respectively. These are called rim requirements.

Solution of a Transportation problem:

The solution to a transportation problem involves the following major steps:

Step:1 Formulate the given L.P.P in the tabular form known as a transportation table.

Step:2 Formulate the given problem as a linear programming problem.

Step:3 Examine whether total supply equals total demand. If not introduce a dummy row / column having all its cost elements as zero and supply / Demand as the (+ve) difference of supply and demand.

Step:4 Find an initial basic feasible solution that must satisfy all the supply and demand conditions.

Step: 5 Examine the solution obtained in step 4 for optimality, i.e., examine whether an improved transportation schedule with lower cost is possible.

Step: 6 If the solution is not optimum, modify the shipping schedule by including that unoccupied cell whose inclusion may result in an improved solution.

Step: 7 Repeat step 4 until no further improvement is possible.

Finding an initial Basic feasible solution:

There are several methods available to obtain an initial basic feasible solution. However we shall discuss here the following three methods:

1. North - West corner method.
2. Least - cost method, and
3. Vogel's Approximation method (or) penalty method.

1. North - West corner method:

it is a simple and efficient method to obtain an initial basic feasible solution. Various steps of the method are:



Step:1 Select the north-west corner left hand corner cell of the transportation table and allocate as much as possible so that either the capacity of the first row is exhausted or the destination requirement of the first column is satisfied i.e,  $x_{11} = \min(a_1, b_1)$

Step:2 If  $b_1 > a_1$ , we move down vertically to the second row and make the second allocation of magnitude  $x_{21} = \min(a_2, b_1 - x_{11})$  in the cell (2,1).

If  $b_1 < a_1$ , we move right horizontally to the second column and make the second allocation of magnitude,  $x_{12} = \min(a_1 - x_{11}, b_2)$  in the cell (1,2).

If  $b_1 = a_1$ , there is a tie for the second allocation. One can make the second allocation of magnitude.

$$x_{12} = \min(a_1 - a_1, b_2) = 0 \text{ in the cell (1,2)}$$

$$x_{21} = \min(a_2, b_1 - b_1) = 0 \text{ in the cell (2,1)}$$

Step:3 Repeat Steps 1 and 2 moving down towards the lower right corner of the transportation table until all the rim requirements are satisfied.

2. Least-cost method or matrix minima method.

This method takes into account the minimum unit cost and can be summarized as follows

Step: 1 Determine the smallest cost in the cost matrix of the transportation table. Let it be  $c_{ij}$  allocate  $x_{ij} = \min(a_i, b_j)$  in the cell  $(i, j)$

Step: 2 If  $x_{ij} = a_i$  cross off the  $i$ th row of the transportation table and decrease  $b_j$  by  $a_i$ . Go to Step 3.

If  $x_{ij} = b_j$  cross off the  $j$ th column of the transportation table and decrease  $a_i$  by  $b_j$ . Go to

Step 3. If  $x_{ij} = a_i = b_j$  cross off either the  $i$ th row or  $j$ th column but not both.

Step: 3

Repeat steps 1 and 2 for the following resulted reduced transportation table until all the rim requirements are satisfied whenever the minimum cost is not unique, make an arbitrary choice among the minima.

### 3. Vogel's approximation method (VAM)

The Vogel's approximation method takes into account not only the least cost  $c_{ij}$  but also the costs that just exceed  $c_{ij}$ . The steps of the method are given below.

Step:1 For each row of the transportation table identify the smallest and the next-to-smallest and the next. Determine the difference between them for each row. Display them alongside the transportation table by enclosing them in parentheses against the respective rows. Similarly, compute the differences for each column.

Step:2

Identify the row or column with the largest difference among all the rows and columns. If a tie occurs, use any arbitrary tie-breaking choice. Let the greatest difference correspond to  $i$ th row and let  $c_{ij}$  be the smallest cost in the  $i$ th row.

Step:3

Recompute the column and row difference for the reduced transportation table and to go Step.2.



## UNIT - II

### MATHEMATICAL FORMULATION OF THE PROBLEM:

Consider a problem of assignment of  $n$  resources (workers) to  $n$  activities (jobs) so as to minimize the overall cost or time in such a way that each resource can associate with one and only one job. The cost (or effectiveness) matrix  $(c_{ij})$  is given as under:

	$A_1$	$A_2$	$\dots$	$A_n$	Available
$R_1$	$c_{11}$	$c_{12}$	$\dots$	$c_{1n}$	1
$R_2$	$c_{21}$	$c_{22}$	$\dots$	$c_{2n}$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$R_n$	$c_{n1}$	$c_{n2}$	$\dots$	$c_{n3}$	1
Required	1	1	$\dots$	1	

This cost matrix is same as that of a transportation problem except that availability at each of the resources and the requirement at each of the destinations is unity (due to the fact that assignments are made on a one-to-one basis).

let  $x_{ij}$  denote the assignment of  $i$ th resource to  $j$ th activity, such that

$$x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if resource } i \text{ is assigned to activity } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then, the mathematical formulation of the assignment problem is

$$\text{minimize } Z = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n C_{ij} x_{ij} \text{ subject to the constraints}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} = 1 \quad ; \quad x_{ij} = 0 \text{ (or)} 1$$

for all  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $j=1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Hungarian Assignment method:

Step:1 Determine the cost table from the given problem.

ci) If the number of sources is equal to the number of destinations, go to Step.3

cii) If the number of sources is not equal to the number of destinations, go to Step.2

Step:2 Add a dummy source or dummy destinations, so that the cost table becomes a square matrix. The cost entries of dummy source/destinations are always zero.

Step: 3 Locate the smallest element in each row of the given cost matrix and then subtract the same from each element of that row.

Step: 4: In the reduced matrix obtained in Step: 3 locate the smallest element of each column and then subtract the same from each element of that column, each column and row now have at least one zero.

Step: 5 In the modified matrix obtained in Step: 4 search for an optimal assignment as follows:

a) Examine the rows successively until a row with a single zero is found. Encircle this zero ( $\square$ ) and cross off ( $\times$ ) all other zeros in its column. continue in this manner until all the rows have been taken care of.

b) Repeat the procedure for each column of the reduced matrix.

c) If a row and/or column has two or more zeros and one cannot be chosen by inspection. Then assign arbitrary any one of zeros and cross successively until the chain of assigning.



d) Repeat (a) through (c) above successfully until the chain of assigning ( $\square$ ) or cross (x) ends.

Step: b If the number of assignment ( $\square$ ) is equal to  $n$  (the order of the cost matrix) an optimum solution is reached.

Step: 7 Draw the minimum number of horizontal and/or vertical lines to cover all the zeros of the reduced matrix. This can be conveniently done by using a simple procedure:

(a) mark ( $\checkmark$ ) rows that do not have any assigned zero.

(b) mark ( $\checkmark$ ) columns that have zeros in the marked rows.

(c) mark ( $\checkmark$ ) rows that have assigned zeros in the marked columns

(d) Repeat (b) and (c) above until the chain of marking is completed.

(e) Draw lines through all the unmarked rows and marked columns. This gives us the desired minimum number of lines.

Step: 8 Develop the new revised cost matrix as follows:

(a) Find the smallest element of the reduced matrix not covered by any of the lines.

(b) Subtract this element from all the uncovered elements and add the same to all the elements lying at the intersection of any two lines.

Step: 9

Go to step 6 and repeat the procedure until an optimum solution is attained.

Solve the following Assignment problem.

Tasks	Man			
	E	F	G	H
A	18	26	17	11
B	13	28	14	26
C	38	19	18	15
D	19	26	24	10

Solution:

Step 1: Subtracting the smallest element of each row from every element of the corresponding row we get the reduced matrix:

	E	F	G	H
A	7	15	6	0
B	0	15	1	13
C	23	4	3	0
D	9	16	14	0

Step 2: Subtracting the smallest element of each column of the reduced matrix from every element of the corresponding column, we get the following reduced matrix:



	E	F	G	H
A	7	11	5	0
B	0	11	0	13
C	23	0	2	0
D	9	12	13	0

Step 3: Starting with row 1, we encircle ( $\square$ ) (i.e., make assignment) a single zero, if any, and cross ( $\times$ ) all other zeros in the column of zero so marked. Thus, we get

7	11	5	$\square$ 0
$\square$ 0	11	$\times$	13
23	$\square$ 0	2	$\times$
9	12	13	$\times$

In the above matrix, we arbitrarily encircled a zero in column 1, because row 2 had two zeros.

It may be noted that column 3 and row 4 do not have any assignment, so we move on to the next step.

Step 4: (i) Since row 4 doesn't have any assignment, we tick this row ( $\checkmark$ )

(ii) Now there is a zero in the fourth column of the ticked row so, we tick fourth column ( $\checkmark$ )

(iii) Further there is an assignment in the first row of the ticked column, so we tick first row ( $\checkmark$ )

(iv) Draw straight lines through all unticked rows and ticked columns. Thus, we have.

7	11	5	0	✓
0	11	<del>5</del>	13	
23	0	2	<del>5</del>	
9	12	13	<del>5</del>	✓

Step 5: In step 4, we observe that the minimum number of lines so drawn is 3, which is less than the order of the cost matrix. Indicating that the current assignment is not optimum.

To increase the minimum number of lines, we generate new rows in the modified matrix.

Step 6: The smallest element not covered by the lines is 5. Subtracting this element from all the uncovered elements and adding the same to all the elements lying at the intersection of the lines, we obtain the following new modified cost matrix:

2	6	0	0
0	11	0	18
23	0	2	5
4	7	8	0

Step 7: Repeating step 4 on the modified matrix, we get

2	6	0	<del>5</del>
0	11	<del>5</del>	18
23	0	2	5
4	7	8	0

Now, since each row and each column has one and only one assignment, an optimal solution is reached.

The optimum assignment is:  $A \rightarrow G, B \rightarrow E, C \rightarrow F, D \rightarrow H$ .

The minimum total time for this assignment schedule is  $17 + 13 + 19 + 10$  or 59 man hours.