

Material for  
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## Multiplant production

A company consists of two factories A and B. Each factory makes two products: standard and deluxe. Each unit of product yields the following profit

|             | standard | deluxe |
|-------------|----------|--------|
| unit profit | 10       | 15     |

Each factory use two processes, grinding and polishing for producing its product. The grinding and polishing times in hours for a unit of each type of product in each factory are

|           | factory A |        | factory B |        |
|-----------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
|           | standard  | deluxe | standard  | deluxe |
| grinding  | 4         | 2      | 5         | 3      |
| polishing | 2         | 5      | 5         | 6      |

Factory A has a grinding capacities of 80 hours per week and polishing capacity of 60 hours per week. Factory B has a grinding capacities of 60 hours per week and polishing capacity of 75 hours per week

Each product (standard or deluxe) requires 4 kg of a raw material. The company has 120 kg of raw material per week Determine the optimum production level (ie profit-maximizing)

## The mathematical model

- *Parameters.*  $n = 2$  (number of products),  $m = 2$  number of factories,  $r_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ ; raw material availability  $R$ .
- *Decision variables.*  $x_{ij}$   $i = 1, \dots, n$  units of products of type  $i$  produced in factory  $j$

– *Objective function.* We want to maximize

$$\sum_{i=1}^n r_i \sum_{j=1}^m x_{ij}$$

– *Constraints.* time availability

The full model is

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n r_i x_i + (b - \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i) \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i \leq b \\ & x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

It is an integer linear programming problem.