

A larger 2000x1000 general LP (lp2000)

Problem: This problem is the general LP (linear program) with 2000 variables and 1000 linear constraints. The general formulation in vector form is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \mathbf{c}' \cdot \mathbf{x} \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b} \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

An explicit formulation can be given as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j \in J} c_j x_j \\ \text{subject to} \quad & \sum_{j \in J} a_{i,j} x_j \leq b_i && \text{forall } i \in I \\ & x_j \geq 0 && \text{forall } j \in J \\ & J = \{1, \dots, m\}, \quad I = \{1, \dots, n\} \quad m, n \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Model this problem as an LPL model. The data for the model are generated randomly and the fill-factor of the matrix \mathbf{A} is about 2%.

Modeling Steps:

1. The first step is to add two sets $i \in I = \{\{1, \dots, 1000\}\}$ and $j \in J = \{\{1, \dots, 2000\}\}$. In LPL this is

```
| set i := 1..1000;    j := 1..2000;
```

2. Next the data tables \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{b} , and \mathbf{c} are defined and assigned. $\text{Rnd}(0, 1)$ is a function that returns a uniform distributed number between in the interval $[0, 1[$. The function $\text{if}(C, E)$ returns E if C is true otherwise it returns zero. Hence, the table \mathbf{A} is a sparse table that contains only 2% of the entries (because zero entries are not stored in this case).

3. Next the variable vector is declared (declaring 2000 variables):

```
| variable x{j};
```

4. Next the constraints are defined “R{i} :” indicates that 1000 constraints are declared. The expression “sum{j} A*x <= b;” is a shortcut for :

```
| sum{j} A[i,j]*x[j] <= b[i];
```

(Indexes can be leaved out if the context allows it.)

5. Finally, the objective function value is written and a list of all variables with its value is wriiten each on a newline if the value is different from 0 in a formatted way.

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| Write('Objective_Value_=_%7.2f\n', Obj);
| Write{j|x}('%4s_=%6.2f\n' , j,x);
```

Listing 1: The Complete Model implemented in LPL [2]

```
model lp2000 "A larger 2000x1000 general LP (math)";
set i := 1..1000;    j := 1..2000;
parameter
  A{i,j} := if(Rnd(0,1)<0.02 , Rnd(0,60));
  c{j}    := if(Rnd(0,1)<0.87 , Rnd(0,9));
  b{i}    := if(Rnd(0,1)<0.87 , Rnd(10,70000));
variable  x{j};
constraint R{i}: sum{j} A*x <= b;
maximize Obj: sum{j} c*x;
Write('Objective Value = %7.2f\n', Obj);
Write{j|x}('x%-4s = %6.2f\n' , j,x);
end
```

Solution: The solution output is as follows:

```
Objective Value = 77599.07
x22    = 34.64
x31    = 14.46
... 85 more values ...
x1946  = 340.90
x1986  = 77.13
```

Further Comments: Click the link `lp2000` at the top of this document to run the model in the Internet.

References

- [1] MatMod. Homepage for Learning Mathematical Modeling : <https://matmod.ch>.
- [2] Hürlimann T. Reference Manual for the LPL Modeling Language, most recent version. <https://matmod.ch/lpl/doc/manual.pdf>.