## Sensitivity analysis. Solutions

## 1. 1.1 The new optimal solutions:

1.1.1  $x_1^* = 0, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad z^* = 10.$ 1.1.2  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad z^* = 18.$ 1.1.3  $x_1^* = 0, \quad x_2^* = 1, \quad x_3^* = 3, \quad z^* = 18.$ 1.1.4  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad z^* = 24.$ 1.1.5  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad z^* = 18.$ 1.1.6 Multiple optimal solutions,  $z^* = 18.$ 1.1.7  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 1, \quad x_4^* = 1, \quad z^* = 19.$ 1.1.8  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad x_4^* = 0, \quad z^* = 18.$ 1.1.9  $x_1^* = 2, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 2, \quad z^* = 18.$ 1.1.10  $x_1^* = \frac{1}{2}, \quad x_2^* = 0, \quad x_3^* = 3, \quad z^* = 17.$ 

## 1.2 The interpretation of shadow prices.

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the first resource,  $b_1$ .

$$\overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\\10\\16 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\\0\\1 \end{pmatrix} \ge \mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_1^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_1$ . If  $b_1$  changes from 4 to 5, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z + y_1^* = 18 + 2 = 20$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = 5$ ,  $x_2^* = 0$ ,  $x_3^* = 0$ .

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the second resource,  $b_2$ .

$$\overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 4\\11\\16 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\3\\1 \end{pmatrix} \ge \mathbf{0}$$

 $y_2^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_2$ . If  $b_2$  changes from 10 to 11, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z + y_2^* = 18 + 1 = 19$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = 1$ ,  $x_2^* = 0$ ,  $x_3^* = 3$ .

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the third resource,  $b_3$ .

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}4\\10\\15\end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B=\mathbf{B}^{-1}\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}2\\2\\1\end{pmatrix}\geq\mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_3^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_3$ . If  $b_3$  changes from 16 to 15, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z - y_3^* = 18 - 0 = 18$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = 2$ ,  $x_2^* = 0$ ,  $x_3^* = 2$ .

1.3 The range of values that leaves the current basis unchanged, for each of the components in vector  $\mathbf{c}$ :

$$\frac{10}{3} \le c_1 \le 5, \qquad c_2 \le 3, \qquad 4 \le c_3 \le 6.$$

The range of values that leaves the current basis unchanged, for each of the components in vector **b**:

$$\frac{10}{3} \le b_1 \le 5, \qquad 8 \le b_2 \le 12, \qquad b_3 \ge 14.$$

2. 2.1 The new optimal solutions:

2.2 The interpretation of shadow prices.

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the first resource,  $b_1$ .

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}11\\14\\6\end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B=\mathbf{B}^{-1}\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}4\\1\\5\end{pmatrix}\geq\mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_1^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_1$ . If  $b_1$  changes from 12 to 11, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z - y_1^* = 26 - 0 = 26$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = 5$ ,  $x_2^* = 1$ ,  $x_3^* = 0$ .

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the second resource,  $b_2$ .

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}12\\15\\6\end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B=\mathbf{B}^{-1}\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix}\frac{9}{2}\\\frac{3}{2}\\\frac{9}{2}\end{pmatrix}\geq\mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_2^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_2$ . If  $b_2$  changes from 14 to 15, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z + y_2^* = 26 + 1 = 27$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = \frac{9}{2}$ ,  $x_2^* = \frac{3}{2}$ ,  $x_3^* = 0$ .

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the third resource,  $b_3$ .

$$\overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 12\\ 14\\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \overset{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 5\\ 0\\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \ge \mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_3^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_3$ . If  $b_3$  changes from 6 to 7, the new optimal objective value is  $\hat{z} = z + y_3^* = 26 + 2 = 28$ , and the new optimal solution  $x_1^* = 7$ ,  $x_2^* = 0$ ,  $x_3^* = 0$ .

2.3 The range of values that leaves the current basis unchanged, for each of the components in vector  $\mathbf{c}$ :

$$\frac{11}{3} \le c_1 \le 6, \qquad 4 \le c_2 \le 7, \qquad c_3 \le 6.$$

The range of values that leaves the current basis unchanged, for each of the components in vector **b**:

$$b_1 \ge 7,$$
  $12 \le b_2 \le 24,$   $\frac{7}{2} \le b_3 \le 7.$ 

3. 3.1 8 cookery books of type  $B_1$  will be designed, 4 cookery books of type  $B_2$ , and 2 cookery books of type  $B_3$ :

$$x_1^* = 8, \quad x_2^* = 4, \quad x_3^* = 2.$$

A total amount of  $z^* = 14$  cookery book designs will be produced.

- 3.2 The optimal solution  $x_1^* = 8$ ,  $x_2^* = 4$ ,  $x_3^* = 2$  verifies the three constraints with equality. Therefore, all the cooks take part in a team.
- 3.3 If  $c_1 = 2$ , the optimal solution is  $x_1^* = 8$ ,  $x_2^* = 4$ ,  $x_3^* = 2$ ,  $z^* = 22$ . If  $c_1 = 3$ , there are multiple optimal solutions.

$$x_1^* = 8, \ x_2^* = 4, \ x_3^* = 2, z^* = 30.$$
  
 $x_1^* = 10, \ x_2^* = 0, \ x_3^* = 0, z^* = 30.$ 

 $c_1$  can be increased  $c_1 \leq 3$  at most, if we want the number of type  $B_i$  cookery books designed to remain unchanged.

3.4 10 cookery books of type  $B_1$  will be designed, 5 cookery books of type  $B_2$  and 0 cookery books of type  $B_3$ :

$$x_1^* = 10, \quad x_2^* = 5, \quad x_3^* = 0.$$

Thus, no cookery book of type  $B_3$  will be produced. A total amount of  $z^* = 15$  cookery books will be designed.

- 4. 4.1 The interpretation of shadow prices.
  - The interpretation of the shadow price for the first resource  $b_1$ , (red paint).

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 25\\ 14\\ 32 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} \ge \mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_1^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_1$ , and since  $y_1^* = 0$ , if 25 kg of red paint were bought instead of 26 kg, the optimal benefit would remain the same,  $\hat{z} = z - y_1^* = 224 - 0 = 224$ . By substituting the optimal solution into the first constraint we can see that too much red paint is being bought, because only 21 kg are being used.

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the second resource  $b_2$ , (blue paint).

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}=\begin{pmatrix} 26\\15\\32 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B=\mathbf{B}^{-1}\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}}\geq \mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_2^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_2$ , and since  $y_2^* = 16$ , if one more kg of blue paint was bought (15 kg instead of 14 kg), the optimal benefit would be increased by  $\hat{z} = z + y_2^* = 224 + 16 = 240$ . By substituting the optimal solution into the second constraint we can see that all the blue paint available is currently being used in the production of the new colors.

• The interpretation of the shadow price for the third resource  $b_3$ , (yellow paint).

$$\stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{pmatrix} 26\\ 14\\ 31 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_B = \mathbf{B}^{-1} \stackrel{\wedge}{\mathbf{b}} \ge \mathbf{0}.$$

 $y_3^*$  is the shadow price for  $b_3$ , and since  $y_3^* = 0$ , if 31 kg of yellow paint were bought instead of 32 kg, the optimal benefit would remain the same  $\hat{z} = z - y_3^* = 224 - 0 = 224$ . By substituting the optimal solution into the third constraint we can see that too much yellow paint is being bought; there is more yellow paint than required.

- 4.2 At most  $\frac{52}{3}$  kg can be bought.
- 4.3 The new optimal solution:

$$x_1^* = 0, \quad x_2^* = 48, \quad x_3^* = 0, \quad x_4^* = 20, \quad z^* = 312.$$