

# Linear Programming

## MT 4.0

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# Installation 1

## 1.1 UNIX/Linux/Mac

If you are unfamiliar with UNIX/Linux/Mac, see your system administrator or system documentation for information on the system commands referred to below.

### 1.1.1 Download

1. Copy the `.tar.gz` or `.zip` file to `/tmp`.
2. If the file has a `.tar.gz` extension, unzip it using `gunzip`. Otherwise skip to step 3.

```
gunzip app_appname_vernum.revnum_UNIX.tar.gz
```

3. `cd` to your **GAUSS** or **GAUSS Engine** installation directory. We are assuming `/usr/local/gauss` in this case.

```
cd /usr/local/gauss
```

4. Use `tar` or `unzip`, depending on the file name extension, to extract the file.

```
tar xvf /tmp/app_appname_vernum.revnum_UNIX.tar  
- or -  
unzip /tmp/app_appname_vernum.revnum_UNIX.zip
```

## 1.1.2 CD

1. Insert the Apps CD into your machine's CD-ROM drive.
2. Open a terminal window.
3. `cd` to your current **GAUSS** or **GAUSS Engine** installation directory. We are assuming `/usr/local/gauss` in this case.

```
cd /usr/local/gauss
```

4. Use `tar` or `unzip`, depending on the file name extensions, to extract the files found on the CD. For example:

```
tar xvf /cdrom/apps/app_appname_vernum.revnum_UNIX.tar  
- or -  
unzip /cdrom/apps/app_appname_vernum.revnum_UNIX.zip
```

However, note that the paths may be different on your machine.

## 1.2 Windows

### 1.2.1 Download

Unzip the `.zip` file into your **GAUSS** or **GAUSS Engine** installation directory.

### 1.2.2 CD

1. Insert the Apps CD into your machine's CD-ROM drive.

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2. Unzip the .zip files found on the CD to your **GAUSS** or **GAUSS Engine** installation directory.

### 1.2.3 64-Bit Windows

If you have both the 64-bit version of **GAUSS** and the 32-bit Companion Edition installed on your machine, you need to install any **GAUSS** applications you own in both **GAUSS** installation directories.

## 1.3 Difference Between the UNIX and Windows Versions

- If the functions can be controlled during execution by entering keystrokes from the keyboard, it may be necessary to press ENTER after the keystroke in the UNIX version.





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## 2.1 Getting Started

GAUSS 6.0.26+ is required to use these routines. See `_rtl_ver` in `src/gauss.dec`.

### 2.1.1 Setup

In order to use the procedures in the **Linear Programming MT** module, the **lpmt** library must be active. This is done by including **lpmt** in the **library** statement at the top of your program:

```
library lpmt,pgraph;
```

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This enables **GAUSS** to find the procedures contained in this module.

The file `lpmt.sdf` contains the structure definitions and must be “included”:

```
#include lpmt.sdf;
```

The version number of each module is stored in a global variable. For the **LPMT** module, this global is:

**\_lpmt\_ver** 3×1 matrix. The first element contains the major version number, the second element the minor version number, and the third element the revision number.

If you call for technical support, you may be asked for the version of your copy of this module.

### 2.1.2 **README Files**

If it exists, the file `README.lpmt` contains any last minute information on the **Linear Programming MT** procedures. Please read it before using them.

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## 3.1 Introduction

The **Linear Programming MT** or **LPMT** module contains procedures for solving small scale linear programming problems.

A linear programming problem is an optimization problem presented in the following typical manner:

$$\begin{aligned} (*) \quad & \text{maximize:} && \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ & \text{subject to:} && \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \\ & && l_j \leq x_j \leq u_j \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, n) \end{aligned}$$

where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $l$  and  $u$  are user-supplied vectors and matrices. The expression  $c \cdot x$  is called the *objective function*, the system  $\{a_i \cdot x \leq b_i\}_{i=1}^m$  makes up the *constraints*, and the inequalities  $l_j \leq x_j \leq u_j$  describe the *variable bounds*.

If the constraints in (\*) can be satisfied and the problem is not unbounded, then (\*) has an *optimal solution* and an *optimal value*. In this case,  $x$  is the optimal solution and the value of the expression  $c \cdot x$  at the optimal solution is the optimal value.

To solve the above problem and its variations, **LPMT** uses the two-phase standard revised simplex method with an eta factorization similar to the product form of the inverse.

### 3.2 Solving a Linear Programming Problem

The **LPMT** procedure takes two input structures and returns an output structure. The first input argument is an **LP** structure containing the required matrices:  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $l$ , and  $u$ . The second input structure is an **LPcontrol** structure which contains control information for **LPMT**. Default values for the members of this structure are set by **createLPcontrol**, which should be called before **LPMT** in your program.

Finally, **LPMT** returns an **LPout** structure.

For example,

```
library lpmt;
#include lpmt.sdf

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = { 2 -3 4 1 3,
          1 7 3 -2 1,
          5 4 -6 2 3 };
```

```

lp0.b = { 1, 1, 22 };

lp0.c = { 8, -9, 12, 4, 11 };

lp0.l = 0;
lp0.u = 1e200;

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

struct LPout out0;
out0 = lpmt(lp0,c0);

call lpmtprt(out0,c0);

output off;

```

As the above sample program illustrates, **lp0.l** and **lp0.u** may take on the values  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ . In **LPMT**,  $-\infty$  is represented by  $-1e200$  and  $+\infty$  by  $1e200$ . By setting **lp0.l** = 0 and **lp0.u** =  $1e200$ , the variables  $x_j$  are restricted to nonnegative values. Here are examples of two other ways to set up **lp0.l** and **lp0.u**:

(1)

```

lp0.l = -1e200;
lp0.u = 50;

```

(2)

```

lp0.l = { 0, -1e200, -50, -1e200 };
lp0.u = { 1e200, 0, 50, 1e200 };

```

In (1), all variables are bounded below by  $-\infty$  and above by 50.

In (2), the variables are restricted as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &\geq 0 \\x_2 &\leq 0 \\-50 &\leq x_3 \leq 50 \\-\infty &\leq x_4 \leq +\infty\end{aligned}$$

**lp0.b** is used to provide upper and/or lower bounds for the constraint expressions and, if desired, to define constraint types. Usually, though, constraint types ( $\leq$ ,  $\geq$ ,  $=$ ) are defined using members of the **LPcontrol** structure. This is discussed next. For more details on defining **lp0.b**, see the **LPMT** function definition in Chapter 4. Please note that **LPMT** cannot handle free constraints. Do not set  $b_i = \pm 1e200$  for any  $i$ .

## 3.2.1 Customizing Your Program

Once the arguments to **LPMT** are set up, you probably want to customize your program. Almost all aspects of the linear programming problem, including the constraint type and variable bounds, can be modified by changing the value of one or more of the members of the **LPcontrol** structure. A complete list of all the members of this structure is given in the reference section for **LPMT** in Chapter 4. Described below are some of the aspects that the user can customize and the structure member used in each case:

- To determine whether **LPMT** should solve the minimization or maximization problem set *minimize*.
- In the case where the user wants simply to define variables as nonnegative, nonpositive or free, the structure member *altConstraint* may be used to indicate variable types, rather than explicitly setting the *l* and *u* members of the "LP" structure.
- For constraint type ( $\leq$ ,  $\geq$ , or  $=$ ), set *constraintType*.

- To determine whether to report a feasible solution only (i.e., terminate with Phase I) or return the optimal solution (i.e., continue on to Phase II) set *feasible*.
- To specify the maximum number of iterations that the algorithm is allowed to execute, set *maxIterations*.
- For choice of starting values, set *start*. This is useful if the user plans to solve several similar problems (e.g., problems which vary only in the vector contained in the *b* member of the "LP" structure).
- To specify the kind of output that **LPMT** should produce, set *output*. Also, the user may customize the output with a title, variable names, and header of his/her choosing. See *title*, *name*, *altNames*, *altNamesa*, and *header*.

Control variables also control more advanced options of the solution process. For a brief discussion on how to control these options, see Section 3.4. The advanced options include:

- To determine tie breaking rules which are used to determine the entering variable and the leaving variable, set *rule*.
- For tolerances used in determining the entering and leaving variables, set *eps1*, *eps2*.
- For the tolerance used to minimize roundoff errors, see *eps3*, *constraintTol*, and *tolerance*.
- For number of solutions returned, set *numSolutions*. If the solution first found by **LPMT** is not unique, the user can specify how many more optimal solutions **LPMT** should attempt to find.

## Using the Control Variables

To use the control variables, simply assign the desired value to the selected control variable in the **GAUSS** program before calling **LPMT**. The control variables are members

of an **LPcontrol** structure. You can set the members of this structure to alternate values before passing it to **LPMT**. In order to ensure that members of structures are properly re-set to default values when a command file is re-run, assign the structure to its “create” procedure. In the case of the **LPcontrol** structure, set it equal to **createLPcontrol**.

The following is an example of how to solve a minimization problem with equality constraints and free variables:

```
library lpmt;
#include lpmt.sdf;

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = trunc(100*rndu(20,30));
lp0.b = 100*ones(20,1);
lp0.c = ones(30,1);

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.altConstraint = 0; /* All variables are free */
c0.minimize = 1; /* Solve minimization problem */
c0.constraintType = 3; /* Constraints are all equalities */
c0.output = 1; /* Send output from lpmt to the screen */
c0.name = "Y"; /* Variable name to be used in output */

output file = lp1.out reset;
call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);
output off;
```

By setting **c0.minimize** = 1, the minimum value of the objective function is computed. By setting **c0.constraintType** = 3, the constraint equations are treated as equalities. Here **c0.constraintType** is a scalar, but in general it can be an  $M \times 1$  vector where each element describes the corresponding equation type. Also note that instead of setting **lp0.l** =  $-1e200$  and **lp0.u** =  $1e200$ , this program uses **c0.altConstraint** to specify that the



variables should be unrestricted. In this case, the values of the **LP** structure members  $l$  and  $u$  are ignored. The two methods are equivalent. The user may choose whichever is preferable.

The control variable `c0.output` has been set to specify that information generated during the iterative stages of **LPMT** should be sent to the screen. `lpmtprt` also produces a report that will be sent to the screen. The call to the `output` command specifies that the output from **LPMT** and `lpmtprt` should also be sent to the file `lp1.out`.

In general, the `output` member of the **LPcontrol** structure controls the output produced by the procedure **LPMT** and can take the value 0, 1 or 2, where 0 is no output, 1 is screen output that is suitable for an output file, and 2 is screen output that is suitable only for a DOS Compatibility Window. Final reports can be generated with either `lpmtprt` or `lpmtview`; however, the latter can be run only in a DOS compatibility window. Both final report formats report the return code, the value of the objective function upon termination, the total number of iterations required by **LPMT**, final solution  $x$  (with an indication of which variables are basic upon termination), the quality of the solution, and the value of the constraints and the dual variables. `lpmtview` also reports the state of each constraint.

### 3.3 Example Programs

These and other example programs, `lpmtn.e`, can be found in the `examples` subdirectory.

#### EXAMPLE 1

This program solves a straightforward linear programming problem. By default, the maximization problem is solved, the constraints are all of the type  $\leq$ , and output from **LPMT** is sent to the screen.

```
/*  
** lpmt1.e
```

```
*/

library lpmt;
#include lpmt.sdf

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = { 2 -6 2 7 3 8,
         -3 -1 4 -3 1 2,
         8 -3 5 -2 0 2,
         4 0 8 7 -1 3,
         5 2 -3 6 -2 -1 };

lp0.b = { 1, 2, 4, 1, 5 };

lp0.c = { 18, -7, 12, 5, 0, 8 };

lp0.l = 0;
lp0.u = 1e200;

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.name = "Y";
c0.title = "lpmt1.e";

output file = lpmt1.out reset;

call lpmtview(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);

output off;
```

**EXAMPLE 2**

A more complicated example might look like this:

```
/*
** lpmt2.e
*/

library lpmt;
#include lpmt.sdf

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = { 3 1 -4 2 5 1,
         -5 4 2 -3 2 3,
         1 1 2 1 1 2 };

lp0.b = { 3, 25, 4 };

lp0.c = { -5, 2, 3, 3, 6, 1 };

lp0.l = { 0, 2, -1e200, -3, -1e200, -1e200 };
lp0.u = { 1e200, 10, 0, 3, 1e200, 1e200 };

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.constraintType = { 1, 1, 3 };
c0.minimize = 1;

c0.title = "lpmt2.e";

output file = lpmt2.out reset;

call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);
```

```
output off;
```

Here `c0.constraintType` is a  $3 \times 1$  vector which indicates that the first two constraints are  $\leq$  constraints and the final constraint is an equality constraint. The variables should satisfy the inequalities:

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &\geq 0 \\2 &\leq x_2 \leq 10 \\x_3 &\leq 0 \\-3 &\leq x_4 \leq 3\end{aligned}$$

$x_5$  and  $x_6$  are free variables.

Results of the algorithm's progress and the final solution report are printed to the screen and sent to the output file *lp2.out*.

### EXAMPLE 3

In this example both the primal and the dual problem are solved. The fundamental principle of linear programming states that the optimal value of the primal is equal to the optimal value of the dual problem (assuming both have optimal solutions). Then the solution to one problem is compared with the dual variables of another.

```
/*  
** lpmt3.e  
** This example illustrates how to solve  
** both a primal and dual problem  
*/  
  
library lpmt;  
#include lpmt.sdf
```

```

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = { 4  0 -1  1,
          2  1  4 -1,
          -3 2  0 -8,
          1  1  1  1 };

lp0.b = { 2, 12, -31, 12 };
lp0.c = { -2, -9, -1, 6 };
lp0.l = 0;
lp0.u = 1e200;

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.constraintType = { 3, 2, 3, 1 };
c0.title = "PRIMAL PROBLEM";

output file = lpmt3.out reset;

call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);

print;
print;

c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.minimize = 1;
c0.altConstraint = { 0, 1, 0, -1 }; /* l and u set to 0 below */
c0.constraintType = 1;
c0.title = "DUAL PROBLEM";
c0.name = "Y";

lp0.a = lp0.a';
lp0.l = 0;
lp0.u = 0;

```

```
call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);  
  
output off;
```

### 3.4 Advanced Topics Using lpmt

By changing the values of the tolerances *eps1*, *eps2*, *eps3*, *tolerance* and *constraintTol*, the user can affect the speed and accuracy of **LPMT**. Also, if **LPMT** is returning a return code of 5 or 13, these tolerances can be modified to encourage **LPMT** to return a more informative code.

If **LPMT** is returning a return code of 13, it is probable that either *eps1* or *eps2* is set too high. Generally, by setting *eps1* lower, the number of variables from which **LPMT** chooses the variable entering the basis is increased. The more variables from which **LPMT** has to choose, the more likely it is that it will find one which does not cause numerical errors.

Another tolerance which the user might wish to modify is *eps3*. Briefly, *eps3* determines how well  $x$ , the intermediate solution determined at each iteration, should satisfy a particular expression. By modifying the value of *eps3*, the user can have some affect on how much time **LPMT** requires and on the accuracy of the final solution. In general, increasing the value of *eps3* reduces the amount of time **LPMT** requires and decreasing *eps3* should improve the accuracy of the solution.

Two other tolerances, *tolerance* and *constraintTol*, are used to determine whether an optimal solution found during Phase I is feasible and whether the  $x$  found during a particular iteration satisfies the constraints to within the user's specifications.

In solving a linear programming problem, the user may find that **LPMT** reports that the problem is infeasible, but also reports that the value of the objective function at termination is very small—i.e., less than  $10^{-5}$ . In this case, the user should consider increasing *tolerance* to at least as large as the value of the objective function returned by **LPMT**. This guarantees that **LPMT** will proceed to Phase II and attempt to find an

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optimal solution to the problem.

Due to scaling differences among constraints, the user may wish to allow differences among what it takes to satisfy those constraints. That is, a greater degree of infeasibility may be allowed in those constraints with larger coefficients. *constraintTol* can be set to a scalar, in which case all constraints are satisfied to within the same degree of accuracy, or to an  $M \times 1$  vector ( $M = \mathbf{rows}(a)$ ), in which case each constraint uses the tolerance in the corresponding element of **constraintTol**. A return code of 5 indicates that the algorithm required more iterations than allowed by the **maxIterations** member of the **LPcontrol** structure. If cycling is not occurring, simply increase the value of **maxIterations**. However, if it is suspected that cycling is occurring, change the value of the **rule** member of the **LPcontrol** structure. Changing the rules used to choose entering and leaving variables may decrease the number of iterations required by **LPMT**. It should be noted, however, that cycling is very rare.

## 3.5 Sparse Constraint Matrices

The constraint matrix  $a$  in an instance of an **LP** structure can be either dense or sparse. For very large linear programming problems with many zero elements in the constraint matrix, there are many advantages to storing this matrix in a sparse form. A common storage form is the MPS formatted file. You may also store or generate the matrix using **GAUSS** sparse functions.

### 3.5.1 MPS Formatted Files

If you have an MPS formatted file, the **mps** function returns an instance of an **LP** structure with the model matrices defined including a sparse constraint matrix. The input to this function is the name of the file. For example,

```
library lpmt;
```

```
#include lpmt.sdf

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = mps("adlittle.mps");

struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

struct LPout out1;
out1 = lpmt(lp0,c0);

call lpmtprt(out1,c0);
```

A keyword function is also available that generates the analysis of the MPS file interactively. From the **GAUSS** command line, type

```
>> library lpmt;
>> solveLP adlittle;
```

This analyzes a linear programming problem stored in a file name `adlittle.mps` and prints results to a file name `adlittle.out`.

## 3.5.2 Alternate Sparse Methods

The constraint matrix can also be stored or generated using **GAUSS** functions. The **GAUSS** function `sparseFD` takes a matrix containing three columns, the element value, row, and column, of the nonzero elements of the constraint matrix, and returns a **GAUSS** sparse matrix. For example,

```
ap = { 1 1 2,
       1 1 3,
       1 1 4,
       1 2 5,
       1 2 6,
```



```
1 2 7,  
1 3 8,  
1 3 9,  
1 3 10,  
-1 4 2,  
-1 4 5,  
-1 4 8,  
-1 4 11,  
-1 4 12,  
-1 4 13,  
1 4 1,  
1 5 2,  
1 5 3,  
1 5 4,  
1 5 5,  
1 5 6,  
1 5 7,  
1 5 8,  
1 5 9,  
1 5 10,  
1 5 11,  
1 5 12,  
1 5 13,  
1 6 1,  
-1 6 11,  
2 7 2,  
2 7 3,  
2 7 4,  
1.2 7 5,  
1.2 7 6,  
1.2 7 7,  
0.7 7 8,  
0.7 7 9,  
0.7 7 20,  
4 8 11,  
2.5 8 12 };
```

```
b = { 2754, 850, 855, 0, 5000, 2247, 2440, 4160 };
```

```
c = { 72,  
      11, 24, 88,  
      -13, 0, 64,  
      -27, -14, 50,  
      44,  
      1,  
      -46 };  
  
l = 0;  
  
u = { 1e200,  
      1e200, 357, 500,  
      1e200, 197, 130,  
      1e200, 39, 170,  
      1598,  
      405,  
      1761 };  
  
struct LP lp0;  
lp0.a = sparseFP(ap,8,13);  
lp0.b = b;  
lp0.c = c;  
lp0.l = l;  
lp0.u = u;
```

## 3.6 References

Chvatal, Vašek 1983. *Linear Programming*. New York: W. H. Freeman and Company.

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lpmt

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**PURPOSE** Computes the optimal value of a linear objective function subject to linear inequality constraints and bounds on variables. The problem typically is of the form:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{maximize:} & \quad \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{subject to:} & \quad \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \\ & \quad l_j \leq x_j \leq u_j \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, n) \end{aligned}$$

**LIBRARY** lpmt

## lpmt

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FORMAT  $out0 = \mathbf{lpmt}(lp0, c0);$

INPUT  $lp0$  an instance of an **LP** structure with the following members:

$lp0.a$   $M \times N$  dense or sparse matrix of constraint coefficients. The problem should not be supplied with slack variables.

$lp0.b$   $M \times 1$  vector or  $M \times 2$  matrix. If  $lp0.b$  is  $M \times 2$ , the constraint expressions are bounded below by the first column and above by the second column. That is,

$$lp0.b_{i1} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n lp0.a_{ij}x_j \leq lp0.b_{i2} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m)$$

This format can be used to generate all three constraint types. For example:

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 - 13x_3 \geq 24$$

is equivalent to:

$$24 \leq 3x_1 + 4x_2 - 13x_3 \leq 1e200$$

Note the use of 1e200 for  $+\infty$ . This is also used below in describing variable ranges.

$lp0.c$   $N \times 1$  vector containing the coefficients of the objective function.

$lp0.l$   $N \times 1$  vector or a scalar, containing the lower bounds of  $x$ . Use  $-1e200$  for  $-\infty$ . If  $lp0.l$  is a scalar, it is assumed that all elements of the solution have the same lower bound.

$lp0.u$   $N \times 1$  vector or a scalar, containing the upper bounds of the solution. Use 1e200 for  $+\infty$ . If  $lp0.u$  is a scalar, it

is assumed that all elements of the solution have the same upper bound.

*c0* an instance of an **LPcontrol** structure. The following members are used in the **LPMT** routine:

*c0.altConstraint*  $N \times 1$  vector or scalar. This member may be used as an alternative to setting **lp0.l** and **lp0.u** if variables are set to be non-negative, non-positive, or free. Values for this member are:

- 1 Corresponding variable is nonpositive.
- 0 Corresponding variable is unrestricted (or free).
- 1 Corresponding variable is nonnegative.

If *c0.altConstraint* is a scalar, it will be assumed that all variables have the same restrictions. If this member has been set to a value other than its default, **lp0.l** and **lp0.u** will be ignored and thus should be set to 0. Default = -2.

*c0.altNames*  $N \times 1$  character vector, alternate variable names to be used for printout purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. *c0.altNamesa* may be used to input alternate variable names in a string array and if set, will override *c0.altNames*. By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final

- solution report will use the name in **`c0.name`**.
- `c0.altNames`**  $N \times 1$  string array, alternate variable names to be used for printout purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. **`c0.altNames`** may be used to input alternate variable names in a character vector; but if **`c0.altNames`** is set, it overrides **`c0.altNames`**. By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final solution report will use the name in **`c0.name`**.
- `c0.constraintTol`**  $M \times 1$  vector or scalar, tolerance used to determine whether a constraint has been violated or not. Default =  $10^{-8}$ .
- `c0.constraintType`**  $M \times 1$  vector or scalar used to describe each equation type. The values for each equation type are:
- 1 Corresponding constraint is  $\leq$ .
  - 2 Corresponding constraint is  $\geq$ .
  - 3 Corresponding constraint is  $=$ .
- If **`c0.constraintType`** is a scalar, it will be assumed that all constraints are of the same type. Default = 1.
- `c0.eps1`** scalar. This is the smallest value around which a pivot will be performed. If during any iteration, a value exceeds **`c0.eps1`**, in absolute value, it is a possible candidate for entering the basis. Default:  $10^{-5}$ .
- `c0.eps2`** scalar. The algorithm will not divide

<i><b>c0</b>.eps3</i>	<p>by a number smaller than this. Default: <math>10^{-8}</math>.</p> <p>scalar. This is used to determine how often to refactor the basis. Roughly, if <math>\text{abs}(ax-b)</math> is greater than <i><b>c0</b>.eps3</i> in any element, in any iteration, the basis will be refactored immediately. Setting this value too low will slow down the algorithm speed, since refactoring is the most time consuming portion of any iteration. If <math>\text{abs}(b-ax)</math> never exceeds <i><b>c0</b>.eps3</i>, then the basis will be refactored when either the eta file gets too large for available memory or when scanning the file becomes too time consuming. Default = <math>10^{-6}</math>.</p>
<i><b>c0</b>.feasible</i>	<p>If 1, only a feasible solution will be returned. If 2, an optimal solution will be returned. If you want to input a feasible solution, set <i><b>c0</b>.start</i> to this solution. If <i><b>c0</b>.feasible = 2</i>, and this solution is feasible, it will be used to start Phase II of the algorithm. Default = 2.</p>
<i><b>c0</b>.header</i>	<p>string, specifies the format for the output header. <i><b>c0</b>.header</i> can contain zero or more of the following characters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>t</b> print title (see <i><b>c0</b>.title</i>)</li> <li><b>l</b> bracket title with lines</li> <li><b>d</b> print date and time</li> <li><b>v</b> print procedure name and version number</li> </ul>

Example:

```
c0.header = "tld";
```

If `c0.header = ""`, no header is printed. Default = "tldv".

`c0.maxIterations` scalar, the maximum number of iterations the simplex algorithm will iterate during either phase. Default = 1000.

`c0.minimize` If 1, the minimum value of the objective function will be calculated. If 2, the maximum will be calculated. Default = 2.

`c0.name` string, Variable name to be used for output purposes. Default = "X".

`c0.numSolutions` scalar, the number of optimal solutions that **LPMT** should attempt to find. Default = 1.

`c0.output` scalar, determines writing to the screen.

**0** Nothing is written.

**1** Iteration information printed to screen.

**2** Output, including iteration information, is printed to a DOS compatibility window

Default = 1.

`c0.rule`  $2 \times 1$  vector. The first element determines which tie breaking rule will be used for the entering variable. The second element determines which rule will be used for the leaving variable. `c0.rule[1]` specifies the tie breaking rule for the entering



variable and can have the following values:

- 1 Smallest subscript rule.
- 2 Largest coefficient rule.
- 3 Largest increase rule.
- 4 A random selection is made.

**c0.rule[2]** specifies the tie breaking rule for the leaving variable and can have the following values:

- 1 Smallest subscript rule.
- 2 Lexicographic rule. This rule is very time-consuming and memory-intensive.
- 3 A random selection is made.

The rule used to choose the entering variable can have an effect on the number of iterations required before the algorithm finds an optimal solution. Unfortunately, no general rules can be given about which rule to use. Using the smallest subscript rule for the leaving variable guarantees that off-optimal cycling does not occur. This rule, however, may force the algorithm to go through more iterations than might otherwise be necessary. Default = { 2, 1 }.

**c0.scale**

scalar, if nonzero, the input matrices will be scaled. Default = 1.

**c0.seed**

scalar, random number seed. Default = 345678.

**c0.start**

$(N + M) \times 1$  or  $(N + M) \times 2$  vector. If **c0.start** is  $(N + M) \times 1$ , then it will be

used to initialize Phase I. The first  $N$  elements are the values of the original variables, and the last  $M$  variables are values of slack variables. If `c0.start` is  $(N + M) \times 2$ , the first column should contain a solution with which to initialize the algorithm and the second column should contain a 1 if the corresponding first column element is basic, and a zero otherwise. In either case, the initial solution must be feasible with respect to `lp0.l` and `lp0.u`, but need not be feasible with respect to the constraint equations. Default = 0.

`c0.title` string, message printed at the top of the screen and output device by `lpmtprt` and `lpmtview` as well as in the output header. By default, no title is included in the header, and a generic title is used elsewhere.

`c0.tolerance` scalar, tolerance used to determine whether a solution is feasible or not. If sum of artificial variables at end of phase I does not exceed `c0.tolerance`, then solution at that point is considered feasible. This may also be an  $M \times 1$  vector if you want different feasibilities for each constraint. Default =  $10^{-8}$ .

OUTPUT `out0` an instance of an **LPout** structure with the following members:

`out0.basis`  $M \times 1$  vector containing the indices of

- the variables in the final basis. Normally, the indices returned in **out0.basis** will be in the range  $1 - (M + N)$ , but occasionally, however, artificial variables will persist in the basis. In this case, indices will be in the range  $1 - (2 * M + N)$ .
- out0.constraintValues**  $M \times 1$  vector. The value of each constraint upon termination of **LPMT**.
- out0.dual**  $M \times 1$  vector, the dual variables.
- out0.numIters**  $2 \times 1$  vector containing the number of iterations required for each phase of the simplex algorithm. The first and second elements correspond to the number of iterations required by Phase I and Phase II, respectively.
- out0.optimumValue** scalar, the value of the objective upon termination of **LPMT**. This may be the optimal value, the minimum sum of the infeasibilities, or the largest value found before it was determined that the problem was unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue.
- out0.optSolutions** If **c0.numSolutions** is greater than 1, this member will be an  $(N + M) \times P$  matrix containing  $P$  optimal solutions. Otherwise, **out0.optSolutions** will be set to 0.
- out0.quality** scalar, reports the quality of the final solution. Quality is judged to be:
- 1** POOR

**2** FAIR  
**3** GOOD  
**4** EXCELLENT

**out0.returncode** scalar, return code:

- 0** An optimal solution was found.
- 1** The problem is unbounded.
- 2** The problem is infeasible.
- 5** Maximum number of iterations exceeded. Cycling may be occurring.
- 13** Algorithm unable to find a suitable variable to enter the basis. Either set **c0.eps1** or **c0.eps2** lower, or change **c0.rule[1]** to another value.

If the return code is negative, then the program terminated in Phase I.

**out0.Solution**  $(N + M) \times 1$  vector containing either (1) an optimal solution to the original problem, or (2) the  $x$  values which minimize the sum of the infeasibilities, or (3) the last solution found before it was determined that the problem is unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue. The last  $M$  elements contain the values of the slack variables.

**out0.state**  $M \times 1$  vector containing the state of each constraint. The states are:

- 4** Equality constraint has been violated below.
- 3** Equality constraint has been violated above.

- 2 Constraint violates its lower bound.
- 1 Constraint violates its upper bound.
- 0 Constraint strictly between its two bounds.
- 1 Constraint is at its lower bound.
- 2 Constraint is at its upper bound.
- 3 Equality constraint is satisfied.

REMARKS By default, **LPMT** solves the problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{maximize:} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m) \\ & x_j \geq 0 \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, n) \end{aligned}$$

Please note that **LPMT** cannot handle free constraints. Do not set  $b_i = \pm 1e200$  for any  $i$ .

EXAMPLE

```

library lpmt;
#include lpmt.sdf

struct LP lp0;
lp0 = createLP;

lp0.a = { 1 -4 3 3,
          1 3 -1 1,
          1 2 3 2,
          1 3 -2 1 };

lp0.b = { 2, -2, 3, -3 };

lp0.c = { 3, 1, 4, 2 };

```

## lpmtprt

---

```
struct LPcontrol c0;
c0 = createLPcontrol;

c0.title = "THE PRIMAL PROBLEM";
c0.altConstraint = { 0, 0, 1, 1 };
c0.minimize = 1;

call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp0,c0),c0);

struct LP lp1;
lp1 = createLP;

lp1.a = lp0.a';
lp1.b = lp0.b;
lp1.c = lp0.c;
lp1.u = 1e200;

struct LPcontrol c1;
c1 = createLPcontrol;

c1.title = "THE DUAL PROBLEM";
c1.constraintType = { 3, 3, 2, 2 };
c1.minimize = 2;

call lpmtprt(lpmt(lp1,c1),c1);
```

SOURCE lpmt.src

### lpmtprt

**PURPOSE** Formats and prints the output from **LPMT**. This printout is suitable for output to a disk file.

LIBRARY **lpmt**

FORMAT `out0 = lpmpert(out0, c0);`

INPUT `out0` an instance of an **LPout** structure returned by **LPMT** with the following members:

`out0.basis`  $M \times 1$  vector containing the indices of the variables in the final basis. Normally, the indices returned in `out0.basis` will be in the range  $1 - (M + N)$ , but occasionally, however, artificial variables will persist in the basis. In this case, indices will be in the range  $1 - (2 * M + N)$ .

`out0.constraintValues`  $M \times 1$  vector. The value of each constraint upon termination of **LPMT**.

`out0.dual`  $M \times 1$  vector, the dual variables.

`out0.numIters`  $2 \times 1$  vector containing the number of iterations required for each phase of the simplex algorithm. The first and second elements correspond to the number of iterations required by Phase I and Phase II, respectively.

`out0.optimumValue` scalar, the value of the objective upon termination of **LPMT**. This may be the optimal value, the minimum sum of the infeasibilities, or the largest value found before it was determined that the problem was unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue.

**out0.optSolutions** If **c0.numSolutions** is greater than 1, this member will be an  $(N + M) \times P$  matrix containing  $P$  optimal solutions. Otherwise, **out0.optSolutions** will be set to 0.

**out0.quality** scalar, reports the quality of the final solution. Quality is judged to be:

- 1 POOR
- 2 FAIR
- 3 GOOD
- 4 EXCELLENT

**out0.returncode** scalar, return code:

- 0 An optimal solution was found
- 1 The problem is unbounded
- 2 The problem is infeasible
- 5 Maximum number of iterations exceeded. Cycling may be occurring.
- 13 Algorithm unable to find a suitable variable to enter the basis. Either set **c0.eps1** or **c0.eps2** lower, or change **c0.rule[1]** to another value.

If the return code is negative, then the program terminated in Phase I.

**out0.Solution**  $(N + M) \times 1$  vector containing either (1) an optimal solution to the original problem, or (2) the  $x$  values which minimize the sum of the infeasibilities or (3), the last solution found before it was determined that the problem is unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue.



		The last $M$ elements contain the values of the slack variables.
	<code>out0.state</code>	$M \times 1$ vector containing the state of each constraint. The states are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-4 Equality constraint has been violated below.</li> <li>-3 Equality constraint has been violated above.</li> <li>-2 Constraint violates its lower bound.</li> <li>-1 Constraint violates its upper bound.</li> <li>0 Constraint strictly between its two bounds.</li> <li>1 Constraint is at its lower bound.</li> <li>2 Constraint is at its upper bound.</li> <li>3 Equality constraint is satisfied.</li> </ul>
<code>c0</code>		an instance of an <b>LPcontrol</b> structure. The following members are used in the <b>lpmpprt</b> routine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><code>c0.altNames</code> <math>N \times 1</math> character vector, alternate variable names to be used for printout purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. <code>c0.altNames</code> may be used to input alternate variable names in a string array and if set, will override <code>c0.altNames</code>. By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final solution report will use the name in <code>c0.name</code>.</li> <li><code>c0.altNamessa</code> <math>N \times 1</math> string array, alternate variable names to be used for printout</li> </ul>

	purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. <b>c0.altNames</b> may be used to input alternate variable names in a character vector, but if <b>c0.altNamesa</b> is set, it overrides <b>c0.altNames</b> . By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final solution report will use the name in <b>c0.name</b> .
<b>c0.header</b>	string, specifies the format for the output header. <b>c0.header</b> can contain zero or more of the following characters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>t</b> print title (see <b>c0.title</b>)</li><li><b>l</b> bracket title with lines</li><li><b>d</b> print date and time</li><li><b>v</b> print procedure name and version number</li></ul> Example: <pre>c0.header = "tld";</pre> If <b>c0.header</b> = "", no header is printed. Default = "tldv".
<b>c0.name</b>	string, Variable name to be used for output purposes. Default = "X".
<b>c0.title</b>	string, message printed at the top of the screen and output device by "lpmtprt" as well as in the output header. By default, no title is included in the header, and a generic title is used elsewhere.
<b>c0.vpad</b>	scalar. If 0, internally created variable names are not padded to give them

equal length (e.g., X1, X2, ..., X10).  
If 1, they are padded with zeros to give them equal length (e.g., X01, X02, ..., X10). Default = 1.

OUTPUT *out0* an instance of an **LPout** structure identical to the **LPout** instance passed in the first input argument.

SOURCE `lpmtprt.src`

**lpmtview**

PURPOSE Creates a screen display of the final results returned from **LPMT** in a DOS compatibility window. This display allows the user to page through the values of constraints upon termination, the dual variables and the final solution. The state of each constraint is reported and slack variables are marked.

LIBRARY **lpmt**

FORMAT `out0 = lpmtview(out0,c0);`

INPUT *out0* an instance of an **LPout** structure returned by **LPMT** with the following members:

*out0.basis*  $M \times 1$  vector containing the indices of the variables in the final basis. Normally, the indices returned in **out0.basis** will be in the range  $1 - (M + N)$ , but occasionally, however, artificial variables will

persist in the basis. In this case, indices will be in the range  $1 - (2 * M + N)$ .

**out0.constraintValues**  $M \times 1$  vector. The value of each constraint upon termination of **LPMT**.

**out0.dual**  $M \times 1$  vector, the dual variables.

**out0.numIters**  $2 \times 1$  vector containing the number of iterations required for each phase of the simplex algorithm. The first and second elements correspond to the number of iterations required by Phase I and Phase II, respectively.

**out0.optimumValue** scalar, the value of the objective upon termination of **LPMT**. This may be the optimal value, the minimum sum of the infeasibilities, or the largest value found before it was determined that the problem was unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue.

**out0.optSolutions** If **c0.numSolutions** is greater than 1, this member will be an  $(N + M) \times P$  matrix containing  $P$  optimal solutions. Otherwise, **out0.optSolutions** will be set to 0.

**out0.quality** scalar, reports the quality of the final solution. Quality is judged to be:

- 1 POOR
- 2 FAIR
- 3 GOOD
- 4 EXCELLENT

**out0.returncode** scalar, return code:

- 0** An optimal solution was found.
- 1** The problem is unbounded.
- 2** The problem is infeasible.
- 5** Maximum number of iterations exceeded. Cycling may be occurring.
- 13** Algorithm unable to find a suitable variable to enter the basis. Either set **c0.eps1** or **c0.eps2** lower, or change **c0.rule[1]** to another value.

If the return code is negative, then the program terminated in Phase I.

**out0.Solution**

$(N + M) \times 1$  vector containing either (1) an optimal solution to the original problem, or (2) the  $x$  values which minimize the sum of the infeasibilities, or (3) the last solution found before it was determined that the problem is unbounded or that the algorithm was unable to continue. The last  $M$  elements contain the values of the slack variables.

**out0.state**

- $M \times 1$  vector containing the state of each constraint. The states are:
- 4** Equality constraint has been violated below.
  - 3** Equality constraint has been violated above.
  - 2** Constraint violates its lower bound.
  - 1** Constraint violates its upper bound.

- 0 Constraint strictly between its two bounds.
- 1 Constraint is at its lower bound.
- 2 Constraint is at its upper bound.
- 3 Equality constraint is satisfied.

*c0* an instance of an **LPcontrol** structure. The following members are used in the **lpmtview** routine:

*c0.altNames*  $N \times 1$  character vector, alternate variable names to be used for printout purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. *c0.altNamesa* may be used to input alternate variable names in a string array and if set, will override *c0.altNames*. By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final solution report will use the name in *c0.name*.

*c0.altNamesa*  $N \times 1$  string array, alternate variable names to be used for printout purposes. These names will be used in the iterations printout and in the final report. *c0.altNames* may be used to input alternate variable names in a character vector, but if *c0.altNamesa* is set, it overrides *c0.altNames*. By default, the iterations report will use numbers to indicate variables and the final solution report will use the name in *c0.name*.

*c0.name* string, Variable name to be used for output purposes. Default = "X".

---

	<code>c0.title</code>	string, message printed at the top of the screen and output device by <b>lpmtview</b> as well as in the output header. By default, no title is included in the header, and a generic title is used elsewhere.
	<code>c0.vpad</code>	scalar. If 0, internally created variable names are not padded to give them equal length (e.g., X1, X2, ..., X10). If 1, they are padded with zeros to give them equal length (e.g., X01, X02, ..., X10). Default = 1.
OUTPUT	<code>out0</code>	an instance of an <b>LPout</b> structure identical to the <b>LPout</b> instance passed in the first input argument.
REMARKS		<b>lpmtview</b> is designed to run <i>only</i> in a DOS compatibility window. In the Windows version of <b>GAUSS</b> , you can open a DOS compatibility window with the <b>doswin</b> command. You can then run a program that calls <b>lpmtview</b> ; <b>lpmtview</b> will take control of the open DOS compatibility window, using it both to display output and to obtain user input.
SOURCE	<code>lpmtprt.src</code>	

PURPOSE	Generates input for a linear programming problem from an MPS file.
LIBRARY	<b>lpmt</b>

## mps

---

FORMAT **lp0** = mps(*s0*);

INPUT *s0* string, name of file in MPS format

OUTPUT *lp0* an instance of an **LP** structure with the following members, which are set according to information in the input file:

*lp0.a*  $M \times N$  dense or sparse matrix of constraint coefficients

*lp0.b*  $M \times 1$  vector or  $M \times 2$  matrix. If **lp0.b** is  $M \times 2$ , the constraint expressions are bounded below by the first column and above by the second column. That is,

$$lp0.b_{i1} \leq \sum_{j=1}^n lp0.a_{ij}x_j \leq lp0.b_{i2} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m)$$

This format can be used to generate all three constraint types. For example:

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 - 13x_3 \geq 24$$

is equivalent to:

$$24 \leq 3x_1 + 4x_2 - 13x_3 \leq 1e200$$

Note the use of 1e200 for  $+\infty$ . This is also used below in describing variable ranges.

*lp0.c*  $N \times 1$  vector containing the coefficients of the objective function.

*lp0.l*  $N \times 1$  vector or a scalar, containing the lower bounds of  $x$ . Use  $-1e200$  for  $-\infty$ . If **lp0.l** is a scalar, it is assumed that all elements of the solution have the same lower bound.

*lp0.u*  $N \times 1$  vector or a scalar, containing the upper bounds of the solution. Use 1e200 for  $+\infty$ . If **lp0.u** is a scalar, it



is assumed that all elements of the solution have the same upper bound.

```
EXAMPLE  library lpmt;
          #include lpmt.sdf

          struct LP lp0;
          lp0 = mps("adlittle.mps");

          struct LPcontrol c0;
          c0 = createLPcontrol;

          c0.title = "adlittle problem";

          output file = lpmt8.out reset;

          struct LPout out1;
          out1 = lpmt(lp0,c0);

          call lpmtprt(out1,c0);

          output off;
```

SOURCE lpmt.src

**solveLP**

PURPOSE Calls **LPMT** and **lpmtprt** with input taken from an MPS file.

LIBRARY **lpmt**

FORMAT **solveLP** *mpsfname outfname*

## solveLP

---

INPUT    *mpsfname*  string, name of file in MPS format  
          *outfile*  string, name of output file (optional)

REMARKS    If the file extension is omitted from the first argument, an *.mps* extension is assumed. If the second argument is omitted entirely, an output file is generated with the extension *.out* appended.

This is a keyword procedure designed to be used interactively, though it could be used from a command file as well. For example, typing the following:

```
>> library lpmt;  
>> solveLP adlittle;
```

solves a linear programming problem defined in MPS format in a file named *adlittle.mps*, the output of which is printed to a file named *adlittle.out*.

**solveLP** uses default values for the members of the **LPcontrol** structure that is inputted into the **LPMT** and **lpmtprt** calls.

SOURCE    `lpmt.src`

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