

COMS 3101 - Fall 2013

Homework 4 (Extra)

- This part is optional.
- Due by start of class (Monday 4pm).
- See submission instructions.

1. Recall the “building a winning team” problem from class (lecture 4 slides). We will solve almost an identical problem which differs from BWT as follows:
 - A. Instead of a single scouting report, you now have two of them $\{R1,R2\}$. $R1$ consists of $K1$ marks, and $R2$ of $K2$ marks for each player in the pool.
 - B. You are also given two vectors $\{B1,B2\}$ describing the total quality for each report respectively, instead of one (B).

Obviously, the ‘assumptions’ and ‘approach’ described in class are almost the same for this “BWT2” problem.

- a) Formulate the problem BWT2 in mathematical notation. You can include a separate text file with your code, or just use block comments in the function below.
- b) Convert your notation from part (a) to solver form. Hint: you cannot just copy from the lecture slide, there is a difference.
- c) Write a function named “bwt2.m”. Your function should have one input parameter ‘specs’, a struct with the fields $\{P,N,C,R1,R2,B1,B2\}$.
- d) Assume that there are no errors in the fields $\{P,N,C\}$. Add a check to ensure that the matrices/vectors supplied in fields $\{R1,R2,B1,B2\}$ have the right size. The number of skills $\{K1,K2\}$ can be any positive integer, but $\{R1,B1\}$ should be consistent with each other (same goes for $\{R2,B2\}$).
- e) Your function should implement the conversion of the input parameters to solver form, and then make two calls to the solver:
 - A. $x1 = \text{bintprog}(f,A,b,Aeq,beq)$
 - B. $x2 = \text{bintprog}(\text{problem})$

- f) For call (B), make sure to read the browser documentation. You should be passing a struct 'problem' which has appropriate fields.
- g) Check that the solutions you obtained $\{x_1, x_2\}$ are identical.

NOTE: the problem is much easier if you first review the lecture slides carefully.

NOTE: it is not difficult to verify that your code is working by generating random data $\{C, R_1, R_2\}$ specifying some small values of $\{P, N\}$ and adjusting $\{B_1, B_2\}$.