

MVE165/MMG631  
Linear and Integer Optimization with Applications  
Lecture 2  
AMPL and CPLEX, Assignment 1

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# AMPL

- Algebraic modeling language for linear and nonlinear optimization problems
- Formulate optimization models and examine solutions
- Manage communication with an appropriate solver
- Natural syntax
- Separation of model and data
- Discrete or continuous variables
- Support for sets and set operators
- Built in arithmetic functions
- Looping, if-then-else commands

# Solvers that work with AMPL

- **CPLEX** - linear and quadratic problems in continuous and integer variables
- Gurobi - linear and quadratic problems in continuous and integer variables
- CONOPT - nonlinear problems
- MINOS - linear and nonlinear problems
- CONDOR, Gecode, IPOPT, MINLP, SNOPT ...

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# CPLEX

- Optimization software package for solving linear and quadratic problems in continuous and integer variables
- Originally based on simplex method implemented in C
- Primal and dual simplex method
- Barrier method
- Techniques to avoid degeneracy
- Cutting planes
- Branch & Bound algorithm
- Heuristics ...

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# The Diet Problem - description

- G. B. Dantzig, 1990
- Choose prepared foods to meet certain nutritional requirements in the cheapest way
- Precooked foods (beef, chicken, fish) are available in given quantity and for given price
- Each food provide given percentage of daily requirements of nutrients (A, C, B1, B2)

	Price [\$]	Av. [pcs]	A [%]	C [%]	B1 [%]	B2 [%]
Beef	3.19	22	60	20	10	15
Chicken	2.59	48	8	0	20	20
Fish	2.29	45	8	10	15	10

- Demand: meet week's requirements, 700 % of daily requirements for each nutrient



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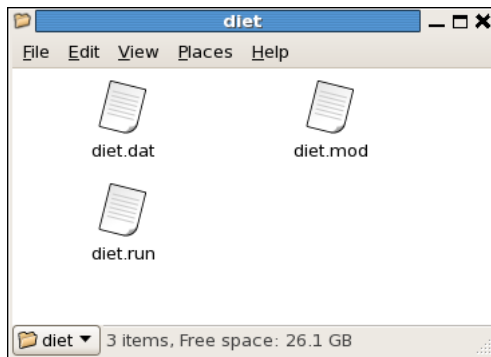
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- Variables:
  - $x_i, i = 1, \dots, 3$  - purchased amount of food  $i$  [pcs]
- Parameters:
  - $c_i, i = 1, \dots, 3$  - cost of one piece of food  $i$  [\$]
  - $a_i, i = 1, \dots, 3$  - available amount of food  $i$  [pcs]
  - $p_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, 3, j = 1, \dots, 4$  - percentage of daily requirement of nutrient  $j$  in food  $i$  [%]
  - $d$  - requirement for nutrients [%]

# The Diet Problem - model

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^3 c_i x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^3 p_{ij} x_i \geq d_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, 4 \\ & x_i \leq a_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, 3 \\ & x_i \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, 3 \end{aligned}$$

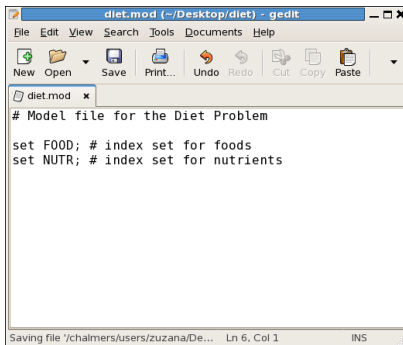
# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Create folder *diet*
- Create model file *diet.mod*
- Create data file *diet.dat*
- Create run file *diet.run*



# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Fill the model file using text editor (Emacs, gedit, ...)
- Introduce index sets: *set*
- Comments start with *#*, each command ends with *;*
- Sets:
  - $I = 1, 2, 3$
  - $J = 1, 2, 3, 4$



The screenshot shows a gedit window titled "diet.mod (~/Desktop/diet) - gedit". The window contains the following text:

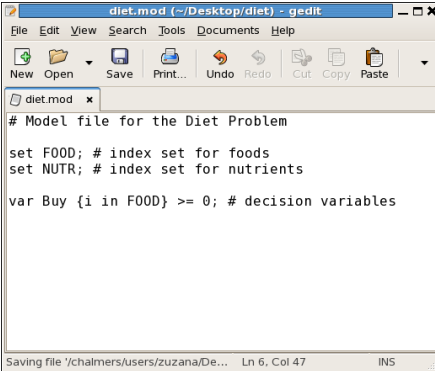
```
# Model file for the Diet Problem

set FOOD; # index set for foods
set NUTR; # index set for nutrients
```

The status bar at the bottom of the window indicates "Saving file '/chalmers/users/zuzana/De... Ln 6, Col 1 INS".

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Introduce variables: *var*
- Formulate non-negativity requirements
- Variables:
  - $x_i, i = 1, \dots, 3$
  - $x_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, 3$



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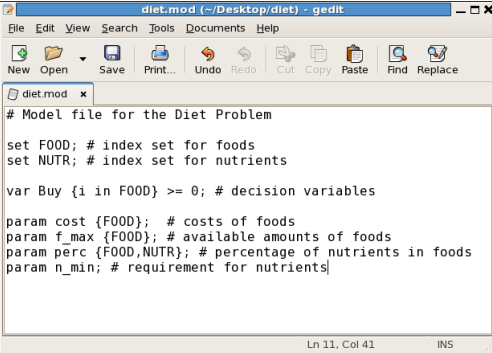
var Buy {i in FOOD} >= 0; # decision variables
```

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# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Introduce parameters: *param*
- Parameters:
  - $c_i, i = 1, \dots, 3$
  - $a_j, i = 1, \dots, 3$
  - $p_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, 3, j = 1, \dots, 4$
  - $d$



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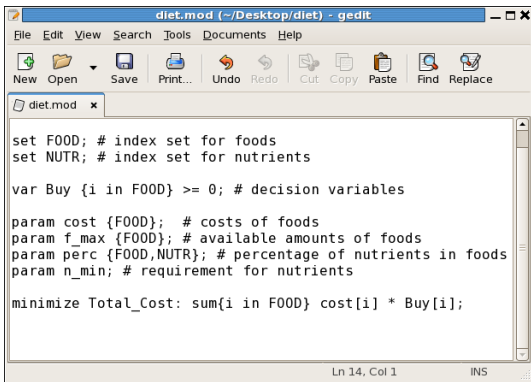
var Buy {i in FOOD} >= 0; # decision variables

param cost {FOOD}; # costs of foods
param f_max {FOOD}; # available amounts of foods
param perc {FOOD,NUTR}; # percentage of nutrients in foods
param n_min; # requirement for nutrients
```

The status bar at the bottom of the window indicates "Ln 11, Col 41" and "INS".

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Formulate objective function: *minimize*, *maximize*
- Use built-in arithmetic functions:  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $*$ ,  $^$ ,  $/$ , *sum*,  
*prod*, *abs*, *log*, *sin* ...
- $\min \sum_{i=1}^3 c_i x_i$



```

diet.mod (~/.Desktop/diet) - gedit
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New Open Save Print... Undo Redo Cut Copy Paste Find Replace
diet.mod x
set FOOD; # index set for foods
set NUTR; # index set for nutrients

var Buy {i in FOOD} >= 0; # decision variables

param cost {FOOD}; # costs of foods
param f_max {FOOD}; # available amounts of foods
param perc {FOOD,NUTR}; # percentage of nutrients in foods
param n_min; # requirement for nutrients

minimize Total_Cost: sum{i in FOOD} cost[i] * Buy[i];
Ln 14, Col 1 INS

```

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Formulate constraints: *subject to*
- Use arithmetic relations:  $>$  ,  $>=$  ,  $<$  ,  $<=$  ,  $==$  ,  $!=$  ...
- $\sum_{i=1}^3 p_{ij}x_i \geq d_j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, 4$
- $x_i \leq a_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, 3$

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param perc {FOOD,NUTR}; # percentage of nutrients in foods
param n_min; # requirement for nutrients

minimize Total_Cost: sum{i in FOOD} cost[i] * Buy[i];

subject to Diet {j in NUTR}:
    sum {i in FOOD} perc[i,j] * Buy[i] >= n_min;

subject to Food_Max {i in FOOD}:
    Buy[i] <= f_max[i];

Ln 19, Col 21 INS
  
```

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Fill the data file using text editor
- Assign values to introduced sets and parameters

The screenshot shows a gedit window titled 'diet.dat (~/Desktop/diet) - gedit'. The window contains the following AMPL data file content:

```
# Data file for the Diet Problem

set FOOD := BEEF CHK FISH ;
set NUTR := A B1 B2 C ;

param: cost f_max :=
  BEEF 3.19 22
  CHK 2.59 48
  FISH 2.29 45 ;

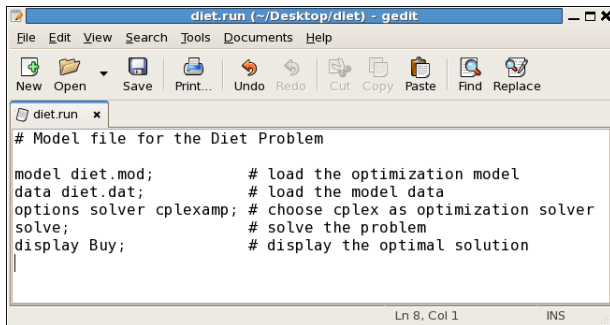
param n_min := 700 ;

param perc:
  A C B1 B2 :=
  BEEF 60 20 10 15
  CHK 8 0 20 20
  FISH 8 10 15 10;
```

The status bar at the bottom of the window indicates 'Ln 16, Col 28' and 'INS'.

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Fill the run file using text editor
- Load the model and data: *model, data*
- Choose solver: *options solver*
- Solve the problem: *solve*
- Display results: *display*



The screenshot shows a gedit window titled "diet.run (~/Desktop/diet) - gedit". The window contains the following AMPL run file code:

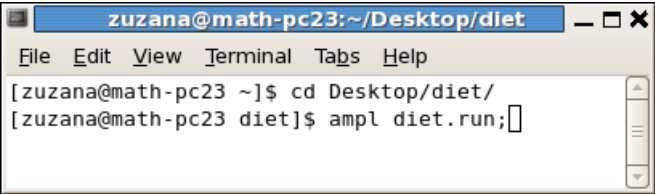
```
# Model file for the Diet Problem

model diet.mod;          # load the optimization model
data diet.dat;           # load the model data
options solver cplexamp; # choose cplex as optimization solver
solve;                   # solve the problem
display Buy;             # display the optimal solution
```

The status bar at the bottom of the window indicates "Ln 8, Col 1" and "INS".

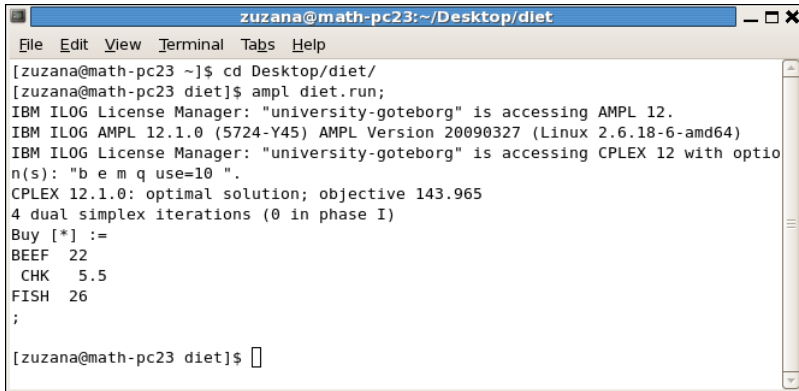
# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Open Terminal
- Go to the folder *diet*
- Evaluate commands in run file *diet.run* by AMPL



```
zuzana@math-pc23:~/Desktop/diet
File Edit View Terminal Tabs Help
[zuzana@math-pc23 ~]$ cd Desktop/diet/
[zuzana@math-pc23 diet]$ ampl diet.run;
```

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation



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[zuzana@math-pc23 ~]$ cd Desktop/diet/
[zuzana@math-pc23 diet]$ ampl diet.run;
IBM ILOG License Manager: "university-goteborg" is accessing AMPL 12.
IBM ILOG AMPL 12.1.0 (5724-Y45) AMPL Version 20090327 (Linux 2.6.18-6-amd64)
IBM ILOG License Manager: "university-goteborg" is accessing CPLEX 12 with option(s): "b e m q use=10 ".
CPLEX 12.1.0: optimal solution; objective 143.965
4 dual simplex iterations (0 in phase I)
Buy [*] :=
BEEF  22
  CHK  5.5
  FISH 26
;

[zuzana@math-pc23 diet]$
```

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Perform sensitivity analysis
- Preserve the sensitivity analysis information
- Use suffices for sensitivity analysis: *.rc*, *.slack*, *.dual*, ...

```
# Model file for the Diet Problem

model diet.mod;          # load the optimization model
data diet.dat;           # load the model data
options solver cplexamp; # choose cplex as optimization solver

option cplex_options 'sensitivity'; # preserve the sensitivity
option presolve 0;          # analysis information
option solve;              # do not reduce the problem

solve;                    # solve the problem
display Buy;               # display the optimal solution
display Diet.dual;         # display dual variables
display Food_Max.slack;   # display slack variables
display Buy.rc;           # display reduced costs
```



# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

- Change type of variables: *integer*, *binary*, ...
- Sensitivity analysis as described is possible for linear programs in continuous variables

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diet.mod x
# Model file for the Diet Problem

set FOOD; # index set for foods
set NUTR; # index set for nutrients

var Buy {i in FOOD} integer >= 0; # decision variables

param cost {FOOD}; # costs of foods
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minimize Total_Cost: sum{i in FOOD} cost[i] * Buy[i];

subject to Diet {j in NUTR}:
    sum {i in FOOD} perc[i,j] * Buy[i] >= n_min;

subject to Food Max {i in FOOD}:
  
```

Ln 6, Col 29    INS

# The Diet Problem - AMPL implementation

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n(s): "b e m q use=10 ".
CPLEX 12.1.0: optimal integer solution; objective 144.96
2 MIP simplex iterations
0 branch-and-bound nodes
1 mixed-integer rounding cut
Buy [*] :=
BEEF 22
  CHK  5
FISH 27
;

[zuzana@math-pc23 diet]$
```

# Student representatives

Randomly selected course representatives that will evaluate the course:

- Jessica Fredby
- Jonas Jagers
- Johan Karlsson
- Joacim Linder
- Alexander Lyckell

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# Biofuels supply chain

- Reduce oil dependence
- Reduce greenhouse effect and climate change
- Substitute fuel in transportation sector
- Biofuels can be used in existing cars
- EU quotas to use 10 % of energy from renewable sources in transportation by 2020, to use 5 % of biodiesel in diesel fuel from 2003
- Food versus fuel debate
- Need to develop a mathematical model of the biofuels supply chain

# Biofuels supply chain

The value chain typically includes:

- Feedstock production
- Biofuel production
- Blending
- Distribution
- Consumption

# Assignment 1: Biodiesel supply chain

- Biodiesel supply chain problem
- Maximize the total profit
- Supply the demand of biodiesel
- Tasks:
  - Formulate linear optimization model
  - Model and solve the problem using AMPL and CPLEX
  - Perform sensitivity analysis

# Crops

- Data:
  - Available area
  - Soya, Sunflower, Cotton
  - Each crop yields expected amount of seeds
  - Each crop has water demand
  - Available water
- Processes
  - Extraction of vegetable oils from seeds (given yields)
  - Transesterification: vegetable oil + methanol = biodiesel (given proportions)
  - Purchase methanol (given price)



# Final Products

- Data:
  - B5, B30, B100
  - Each product has price
  - Each product has tax (higher amount of biodiesel  $\Rightarrow$  lower tax)
  - Demand of fuels to be delivered
- Processes
  - Blending of biodiesel and petrol diesel
  - Purchase petrol diesel (given price and availability)

# Sensitivity analysis






- Analyze results and answer several important questions without changing the model.
- How sensitive is the optimal solution to changes in data values?
  - *Reduced costs* of a non-basic variables: the change in the objective value when the value of the corresponding variable is (marginally) increased
  - *Shadow price* of a constraint: the change in the optimal value if you change (marginally) the RHS, it equals to the optimal value of the corresponding dual variable
  - *Slack variables* of a constraint: indicate how much the RHS can be reduced while staying feasible
- Use these tools to answer the questions

# Cetane number

- Quality of pure biodiesel is given by cetane number
- Quality of petrol diesel is given by octane number
- Octane-cetane relationship is linear
- Requirement for quality of each product should be incorporated

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