

ASSIGNMENT

A cargo plane has three compartments for storing cargo: front, centre and rear. These compartments have the following limits on both weight and space:

Compartment	Weight capacity	Space
Front	10,000 lbs	700 cu ft
Centre	15,000 lbs	900 cu ft
Rear	20,000 lbs	1,100 cu ft

 Furthermore, the weight of the cargo in the respective compartments must be the same proportion of that compartment weight capacity to maintain the balance of the plane. The following four cargoes are available for shipment on the next flight:

Cargo	Weight (lbs)	Volume (cu ft)	Profit (\$/lb)
C1	5,000	350	10
C2	7,000	450	15
C3	10,000	600	20
C4	12,000	750	25

 Any proportion of these cargoes can be accepted. The objective is to determine how much (if any) of each cargo C1, C2, C3 and C4 should be accepted and how to distribute each among the compartments so that the total profit for the flight is maximized.

- I. Formulate the above problem as a linear program
- II. What assumptions are made in formulating this problem as a linear program?