

Books, watches, notes or cell phones are **not** allowed. The **only** calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531***. You **must** show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

Question 1.¹ The Silly Nut Company makes two mixtures of nuts: Mixture A and Mixture B. A pound of Mixture A contains 12 oz of peanuts, 3 oz of almonds and 1 oz of cashews and sells for \$4. A pound of Mixture B contains 12 oz of peanuts, 2 oz of almonds and 2 oz of cashews and sells for \$5. The company has 1080 lb. of peanuts, 240 lb. of almonds, 160 lb. of cashews. How many pounds of each of mixtures A and B should the company make to maximize profit? (Hint: Use consistent units. Work the entire problem in pounds by converting all values given in ounces into fractions of pounds, 1 lb = 16 oz).

- a. (1 mark) Determine the objective function.

$$Z = 4A + 5B$$

- b. (3 marks) Find the constraints that define the feasible region.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{12}{16}A + \frac{12}{16}B &\leq 1080 \\ \frac{3}{16}A + \frac{2}{16}B &\leq 240 \\ \frac{1}{16}A + \frac{2}{16}B &\leq 160 \end{aligned}$$

Questions 2.² (4 marks) Consider the objective function $Z = 4x + 3y$ subject to the following constraints:

$$\begin{cases} x + y \geq 1 \\ x + 2y \leq 4 \\ 2x + y \leq 4 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

If the vertices (corners) of the feasible region are $(1, 0)$, $(2, 0)$, $(0, 2)$, $(0, 1)$, $(4/3, 4/3)$. Find the maximum and minimum values of Z and at what (x, y) point they are reached. And justify!

x	y	$Z = 4x + 3y$
1	0	4
2	0	8
0	2	6
0	1	3
4/3	4/3	$4(\frac{4}{3}) + 3(\frac{4}{3}) = \frac{16}{3} + 4 = \frac{16}{3} + \frac{12}{3} = \frac{28}{3} \approx 9.3$

∴ Minimum is 3 when $x=0$ and $y=1$
 Maximum is $\frac{28}{3}$ when $x=y=\frac{4}{3}$

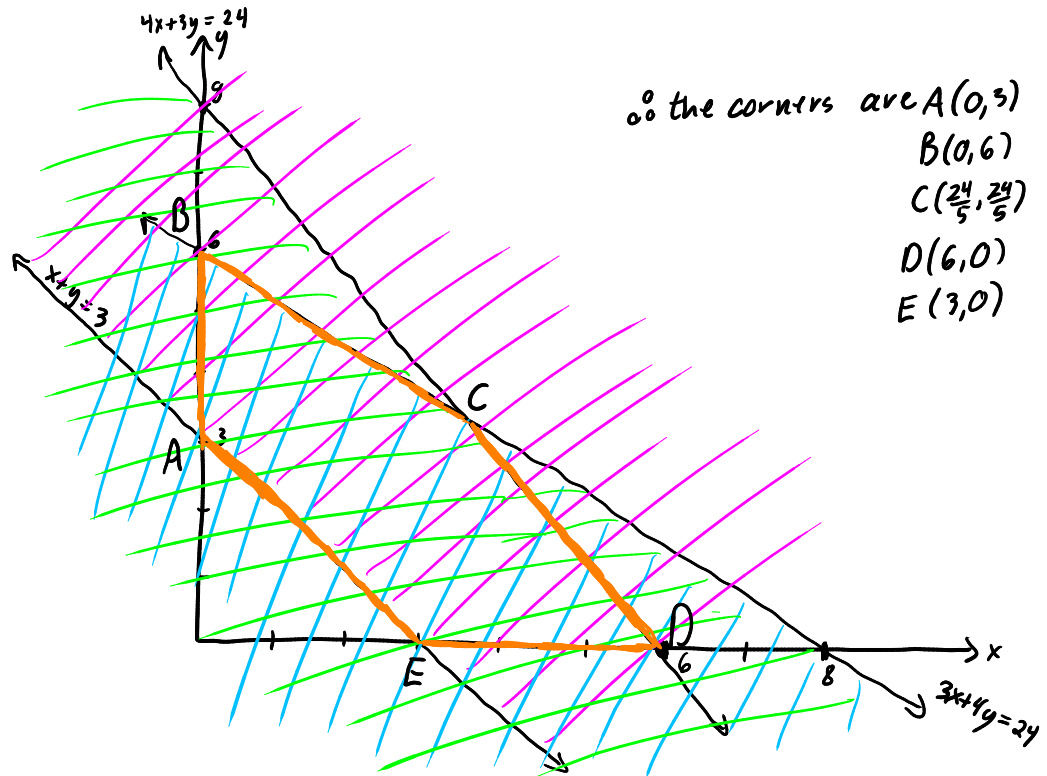
The above conclusion is true since linear objective function are optimized at the vertices (corners) of bounded feasible regions.

¹From [https://math.libretexts.org/Bookshelves/Applied_Mathematics/Applied_Finite_Mathematics_\(Sekhon_and_Bloom\)](https://math.libretexts.org/Bookshelves/Applied_Mathematics/Applied_Finite_Mathematics_(Sekhon_and_Bloom))

²modified from WeBWorK

Questions 3.³ Sketch the feasible region given by the inequalities below. And also find the feasible region vertices (coners). Show your work!

$$\begin{cases} x+y \geq 3 \\ 3x+4y \leq 24 \\ 4x+3y \leq 24 \\ x \geq 0 \\ y \geq 0 \end{cases}$$



To find C, let's determine the intersection between $3x+4y=24$
and $4x+3y=24$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 24 \\ 4 & 3 & 24 \end{bmatrix} \sim 3R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 24 \\ 12 & 9 & 72 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim -4R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 & 24 \\ 0 & -7 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim 7R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 28 & 168 \\ 0 & -7 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim 4R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \begin{bmatrix} 21 & 0 & 72 \\ 0 & -7 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim \frac{1}{21}R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 24/7 \\ 0 & -7 & -24 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sim -\frac{1}{7}R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 24/7 \\ 0 & 1 & 24/7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore C\left(\frac{24}{7}, \frac{24}{7}\right)$$