Exemplar Problems Linear Programming



Given: Z = x + y subject to constraints, x + 4y £ 8, 2x + 3y £ 12, 3x + y £ 9, x 3 0, y 3 0

Constructing a constrain table for the above, we have

Table for x + 4y = 8

x	0	8
у	2	0

Table for 2x + 3y = 12

x	0	6
У	4	0

Table for 3x + y = 9

X	3	0
У	0	9

On solving equations $x + 4y \pm 8$ and $3x + y \pm 9$, we get

x = 28/11 and y = 15/11

Here, it's seen that OABC is the feasible region whose corner points are O(0, 0), A(3, 0), B(28/11, 15/11) and C(0, 2).

Now, let's evaluate the value of Z

Corner points	Value of Z = x + y
O(0, 0)	Z = 0 + 0 = 0
A(3, 0)	Z = 3 + 0 = 3
B(28/11, 15/11)	Z = 28/11 + 15/11 = 43/11 = 3.9
C(0, 2)	Z = 0 + 2 = 2

From the above table it's noticed that the maximum value of Z is 3.9

Therefore, the maximum value of Z is 3.9 at (28/11, 15/11).