

LINEAR PROGRAMMING REVISION – LEO’S LAUNDROMAT

The clothes dryers at Leo’s Laundromat can be either coin- or token-operated. Leo is considering how many clothes dryers should be coin-operated and how many should be token-operated. Each coin-operated clothes dryer generates income of \$1000 per month. Each token-operated clothes dryer generates income of \$800 per month. He has space at his Laundromat for up to 40 clothes dryers. Coin- and token-operated clothes dryers take up the same amount of space. The current demand for token-operated clothes dryers means that Leo must have at least twice as many token-operated clothes dryers than coin-operated clothes dryers. He has an ongoing contract with the company that makes the tokens, and needs to have at least 10 token-operated clothes dryers at his Laundromat. The diary that sells the tokens is not open 24 hours a day, so he needs to have at least 6 coin-operated clothes dryers at his Laundromat.

Leo’s income per month from the clothes dryers is given by the function:

$$Income = 1000c + 800t$$

Use the information to calculate how many coin-operated and token-operated clothes dryers Leo should install at his Laundromat to maximise his monthly income.

Step 1: Write inequations

This information may be useful (one equation per statement):

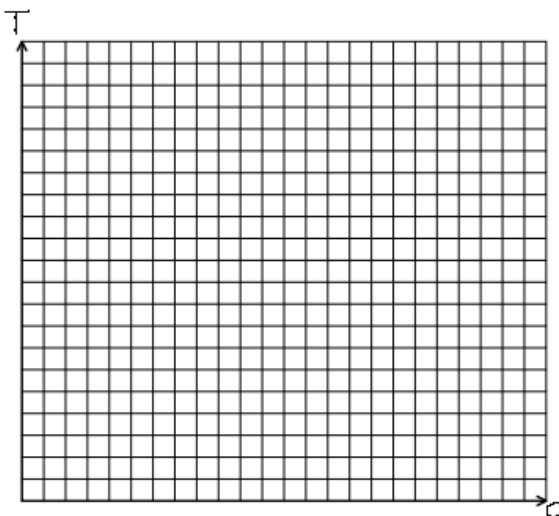
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At least 10 token-operated

At least 6 coin-operated

Step 2: Draw Axis



Step 3: Draw lines

Step 4: Shade out

Step 5: Find vertices of the feasible region

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Step 6: Find the maximum profit

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$$Income = 1000c + 800t$$

Step 6: Write a statement answering the question.

Leo should buy ...