

# OPL: a modelling language

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(from OPL reference manual)

# ILOG Optimization Programming Language

- OPL is an “Optimization Programming Language”
  - *Easy to generate and solve an lp models (program)*
  - *It also provides all features of a standard programming language*
- *We will use the IDE user interface*
- An OPL model consists of:
  - ◆ **a sequence of declarations**
  - ◆ optional preprocessing instructions
  - ◆ **the model/problem definition**
  - ◆ optional postprocessing instructions
- Model are stored in files with extension *.mod*

# Data types, constants and variables

- Defining a model:
  - First you need to define variables and constants (names and types)
  - Basic types: *float*, *int*, *string*.

*Ex. (constants)*

*int i = 32;*

*float+ k = 12.7;*

*string s = 'Optimization';*

- Variables are introduced by “*dvar*”
  - dvar float+ x;* (*rational non negative variable*)
  - dvar int y;* (*integer variable*)

# A simple model

- LP models *translate* naturally to OPL models

LP model

$$\max 40g + 50c$$

*s.t.*

$$g + c \leq 5$$

$$3g + 5c \leq 18$$

$$g \leq 4$$

$$g, c \in R$$

OPL model

dvar float g;

dvar float c;

maximize 40\*g + 50\*c;

subject to {

d1: g + c <= 5;

d2: 3\*g + 5\*c <= 18;

d3: g <= 4;

}

- OBS: you can associate a name with every constraint by putting it before the constraint, followed by colon ':'
- Constraint name = corresponding dual variable (name)

# Using OPL interface (IDE)

- To solve models you need (to create) a project.
- Projects can contain several models (and instances).
- To extract a specific model (and a specific instance) you need to define a *configuration*.
- A project can thus contain several configurations, each containing a specific pair *model – instance*.
- Once you create a new configuration, the corresponding model can be imported by drag-and-drop

# Using OPL interface (IDE)

The screenshot shows the IBM ILOG CPLEX Optimization Studio interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, Navigate, Search, Run, Window, and Help. The main workspace is divided into several panes. On the left, the 'OPL Projects' pane shows a project named 'first example 2010 (First example)'. Underneath, there is a 'Run Configurations' folder, which contains 'Configuration1 (default)'. Below that, there are two entries for 'simple-model.mod : CPLEX'. A red oval highlights the 'Run Configurations' folder, and a red arrow points from it to the word 'configuration' in red text below. A black arrow points from the 'simple-model.mod : CPLEX' entry to the word 'model' in black text below. The main editor pane shows the content of 'simple-model.mod', which is an OPL model file. The code is as follows:

```
1 /*****  
2 * OPL 12.2 Model  
3 * Author: carloman  
4 * Creation Date: 21. okt.. 20  
5 *****/  
6 //  
7  
8 dvar float+ g;  
9 dvar float+ c;  
10  
11 maximize 3*g + 2*c;  
12 subject to {  
13   d1: g + c <= 80;  
14   d2: 4*g + 2*c <= 40;  
15   d3: c <= 10;  
16 }  
17
```

Example:

- Project Name: First example 2010
- The project contains only one model (*simple-model.mod*)
- The project contains only one configuration (*Configuration1*)
- Configuration1 contains model *simple-model.mod*

# Ranges and arrays

- Ranges of integers are defined as

```
range Rows = 1..32;
```

```
int n = 32;
```

```
range Cols = 3..n;
```

- Ranges are used to define arrays

```
range nodes = 1..5;
```

```
range edges = 1..7;
```

```
float weight[nodes] = [1, 4, 6.1, 7, 2.2];
```

```
float A[nodes][edges] = [
```

```
    [1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, -1]
```

```
    [-1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1]
```

```
    ...
```

```
];
```

- Ranges are also used in summations and loops
  - forall (i in items) ...

# Example: ranges and arrays

$$\begin{array}{l} \max \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i \\ s.t. \\ \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \leq k \\ x \in \{0,1\}^n \end{array}$$

$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix} \quad w = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
int n = 5;
range Items = 1..n;
int w[Items] = [1, 5, 2, 3, 4];
int c[Items] = [5, 8, 4, 7, 9];
int k = 8;
dvar int x[Items] in 0..1;

maximize sum(i in Items) c[i]*x[i];
subject to {
    knap: sum(i in Items) w[i]*x[i] <= k;
}
```

- Ranges are used in summations and loops
  - forall (i in items) ...



# Separating models and data

- A model is something different from *one of its instances*
- The linear program for the shortest path problem has a structure which is the same for any graph and any weight function.
- We only need one model, and then we can apply the model to any instance of the shortest path problem
- OPL allows to maintain a strict separation between the model and its instances.
- Models are stored in xxx.mod files
- Instances are stored in yyy.dat files
- In the standard IDE interface, xxx can be different from yyy
- The “Configuration” matches the model with the instance.

# Separating models and data

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n c_i x_i \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \leq k \\ & x \in \{0,1\}^n \end{aligned}$$

$$n = 5$$

$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \\ 4 \\ 7 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$k = 8$$

## Knapsack.mod

```
int n = ...;
range Items = 1..n;
int w[Items] = ...;
int c[Items] = ...;
int k = ...;
dvar int x[Items] in 0..1;

maximize sum(i in Items) c[i]*x[i];
subject to {
  knap: sum(i in Items) w[i]*x[i] <= k;
}
```

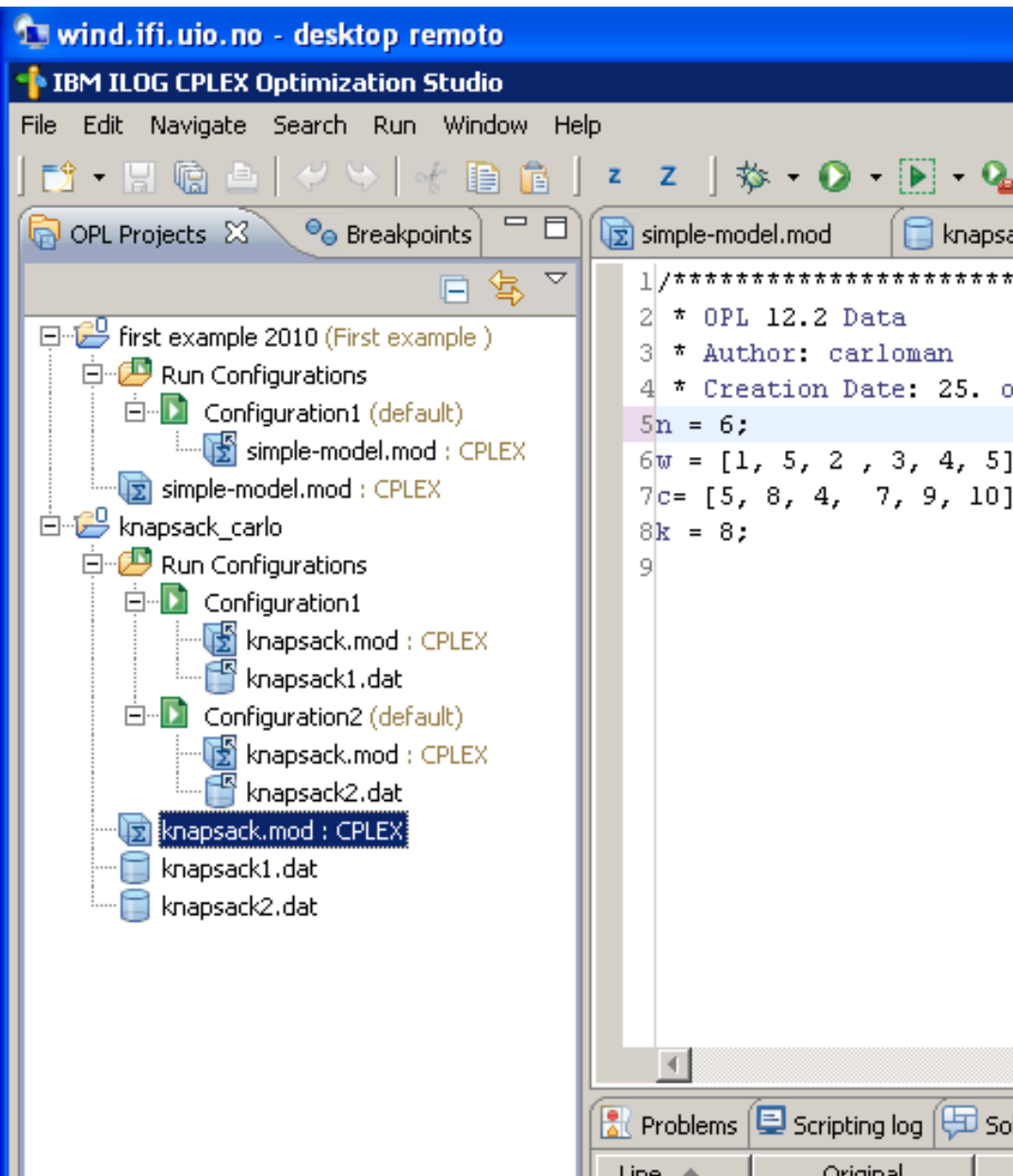
## Knapsack1.dat

```
n = 5;
w = [1, 5, 2, 3, 4];
c = [5, 8, 4, 7, 9];
k = 8;
```

## Knapsack2.dat

```
n = 6;
w = [1, 5, 2, 3, 4, 5];
c = [5, 8, 4, 7, 9, 5];
k = 8;
```

# OPL IDE



Example:

- Two projects

*First example 2010*

*knapsack\_carlo*

- *knapsack\_carlo* contains

- one model (*knapsack.mod*)

- two instances (*knapsack1.dat*,  
*knapsack2.dat*)

- two configurations

(*configuration1*, *configuration2*)

- Configuration1 contains model  
*knapsack.mod* and instance  
*knapsack1.dat*

- Configuration2 contains model  
*knapsack.mod* and instance  
*knapsack2.dat*

# s-t path problem

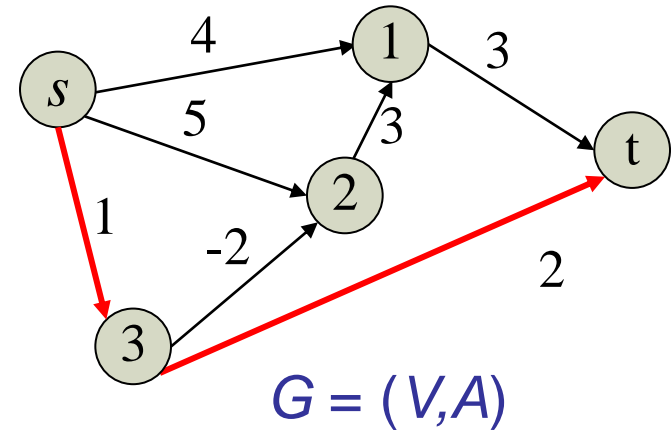
$$\min \sum_{uv \in A} c_{uv} x_{uv}$$

$$\sum_{u \in \delta_D^-(s)} x_u - \sum_{s \in \delta_D^+(u)} x_u = -1 \quad s$$

$$\sum_{u \in \delta_D^-(t)} x_{ut} - \sum_{t \in \delta_D^+(u)} x_{tu} = 1 \quad t$$

$$\sum_{u \in \delta_D^-(v)} x_{uv} - \sum_{v \in \delta_D^+(u)} x_{vu} = 0 \quad v \in V - \{s, t\}$$

$$x \geq 0 \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^A$$



$$\min c^T x$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

	s1	s2	s3	1t	21	32	3t
s	-1	-1	-1	0	0	0	0
1	1	0	0	-1	1	0	0
2	0	1	0	0	-1	1	0
3	0	0	1	0	0	-1	-1
t	0	0	0	1	0	0	1

$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

# s-t path problem

$$\min c^T x$$

$$Ax = b$$

$$x \geq 0$$

```
int n = ...; // number of nodes
int m = ...; // number of edges
range nodes = 1..n;
range edges = 1..m;
int A[nodes][edges] = ...;
int b[nodes] = ...;
int c[edges] = ...;
dvar float+ x[edges];
```

```
minimize sum(j in edges) c[j]*x[j];
subject to {
  forall (i in nodes)
    y: sum(j in edges) A[i][j]*x[j] == b[i];
}
```

$$\begin{array}{c} \\ s \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ t \end{array} \begin{array}{ccccccc} s1 & s2 & s3 & 1t & 21 & 32 & 3t \\ \left( \begin{array}{ccccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right) \end{array} \quad c = \begin{array}{c} \left( \begin{array}{c} 4 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{array} \right) \end{array} \quad b = \begin{array}{c} \left( \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

```
n = 5;
m = 7;
b = [-1, 0, 0, 0, 1];
c = [4, 5, -1, 3, 3, -2, 32];
A = [ [-1,-1,-1, 0, 0, 0, 0]
      [1, 0, 0,-1, 1, 0, 0]
      [0, 1, 0, 0,-1, 1, 0]
      [0, 0, 1, 0, 0,-1,-1]
      [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1]];
```

# Aggegating data: Tuples

- Several related data can be clustered together in *tuples*

```
tuple Point {
```

```
    float x;
```

```
    float y;
```

```
}
```

```
Point P1 = <1,2>;
```

```
int a = P1.x;
```

```
int b = P1.y;
```

```
{Point} points = { <1,2>, <2,3>, <4.1, 5.2>};
```

# Exploiting sparsity: tuples

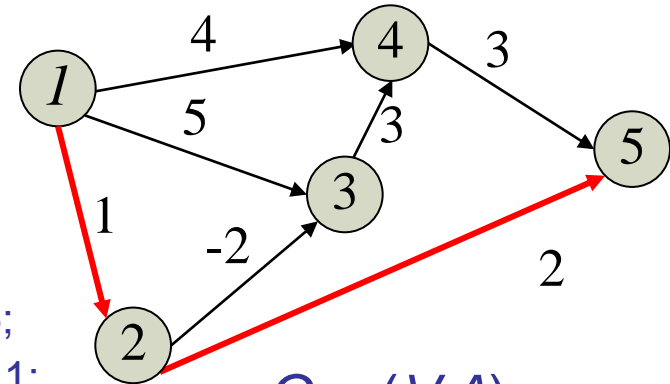
$$\begin{aligned} \max y_t - y_s \\ y_v - y_u \leq c_{uv} \text{ for all } uv \in A \end{aligned}$$

```
int Nvert = ...;
range Verts = 1..Nvert;
int source = ...;
int sink = ...;
tuple arc {
  int u;
  int v;
  float w;
}
{arc} Arcs = ...;
```

```
dvar float y[Verts];
maximize
  y[sink] - y[source];
```

```
subject to {

  forall(e in Arcs) y[e.v] - y[e.u] <= e.w;
}
```



Nvert = 5;  
source = 1;  
sink = 5;

$G = (V, A)$

```
Arcs = {
  <1 2 1>,
  <1 3 5>,
  <1 4 4>,
  <2 3 -2>,
  <2 5 2>,
  <3 4 3>,
  <4 5 3>,
};
```

# Expression

- Conditional expressions can be used in loops and in summations.

```

int Nvert = ...;
range Verts = 1..Nvert;
int source = ...;
int sink = ...;
tuple arc {
  int u;
  int v;
  float w;
}
{arc} A = ...;
dvar float+ x[A];
    
```

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \min \sum_{uv \in A} c_{uv} x_{uv} \\
 & \sum_{us \in \delta_D^-(s)} x_{us} - \sum_{su \in \delta_D^+(s)} x_{su} = -1 \quad s \\
 & \sum_{ut \in \delta_D^-(t)} x_{ut} - \sum_{tu \in \delta_D^+(t)} x_{tu} = 1 \quad t \\
 & \sum_{uv \in \delta_D^-(v)} x_{uv} - \sum_{vu \in \delta_D^+(v)} x_{vu} = 0 \\
 & x \geq 0 \quad x \in R^A
 \end{aligned}$$

```

minimize sum (e in A) e.w * x[e];
subject to {
  forall (z in Verts : z != source && z != sink)
    z: sum (e in A: e.v == z) x[e] - sum (e in A: e.u == z) x[e] == 0 ;
  s: sum (e in A: e.v == source) x[e] - sum (e in A: e.u == source) x[e] == -1;
  t: sum (e in A: e.v == sink) x[e] - sum (e in A: e.u == sink) x[e] == 1;
}
    
```