

Applications of Linear Programming

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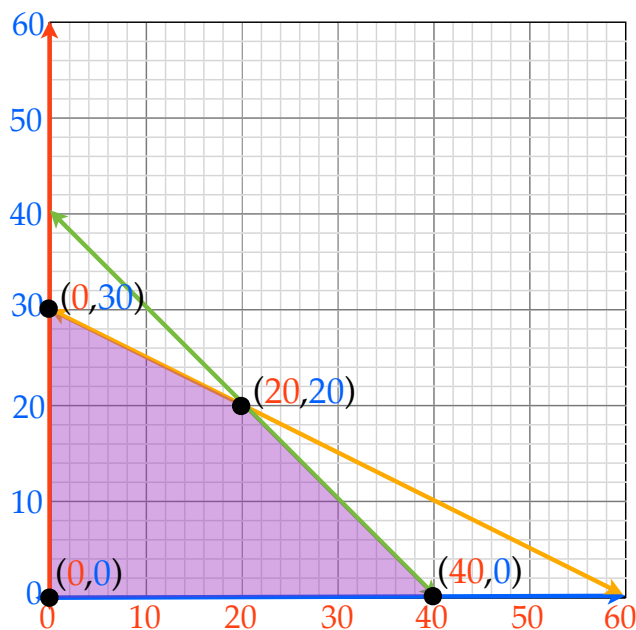
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Harvesting 20 acres of rye grass and 20 acres of orchard grass will produce the maximum profit of \$2,640.

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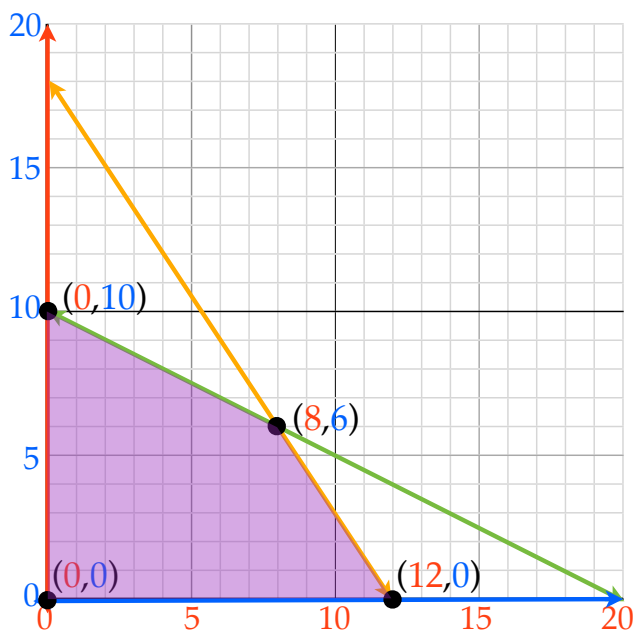
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$$S(x,y) = 12x + 18y \text{ storage space}$$

$$x \geq 0 \quad y \geq 0 \quad 3x + 6y \leq 60 \quad 75x + 50y \leq 900$$

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Purchasing 8 Cabinet A's and 6 Cabinet B's will give a maximum storage space of 204 ft³.

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