

# 1 Modeling

**Exercise 1.** Given binary variables  $b_1, b_2, b_3 \in \{0, 1\}$  and continuous variables  $x_1, x_2 \in [0, K]$ , linearize the following products:

a)  $b_3 = b_1 \cdot b_2$ , [1 pt]

b)  $x_2 = b_1 \cdot x_1$ . [1 pt]

**Exercise 2.** Nurses at the St. Charles hospital work 8-hour shifts starting at 0:00, 4:00, 8:00, 12:00, 16:00 or 20:00. Find an integer linear programming model to determine the minimum number of nurses needed to satisfy the following requirements:

Time	Required number of nurses
00:00–04:00	3
04:00–08:00	8
08:00–12:00	10
12:00–16:00	12
16:00–20:00	14
20:00–00:00	8

[2 pts]

**Exercise 3.** Express the following requirements as integer linear programming constraints:

a) If Charles takes  $k$  or more classes from the set  $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ , then he also has to take classes  $d_1$  and  $d_2$ . [2 pts]

b) Charles can take  $c_3$  only if he also takes  $c_1$  or  $c_2$ , but not both. [1 pts]

**Exercise 4.** Propose an integer programming model for scheduling classes at a university. Decide what constraints should be included and what data are needed. [3 pts]