

Given

1. $f(x) = r + s + t + u$
2. $5r + 4s + 3t + 6u = 100$
3. $r \geq s \geq t \geq u \geq 0$

$$r = 20 \wedge s = 0 \wedge t = 0 \wedge u = 0 \rightarrow f(x) = 20$$

$s \vee t \vee u$ cannot be decreased because each would then violate inequalities given in statement 2.

r cannot be decreased while $s = 0 \wedge t = 0 \wedge u = 0 \rightarrow r = 100/5$ by given statement 2. If s , or t were increased, $f(x)$ would increase because the coefficient of the increased variable(s) would be greater than the coefficient of r . The coefficient of u can be considered less than the coefficient of r because in order to increase u , s and t would have to be increased by an equal amount due to given 3.

$$\begin{aligned} 5 &\geq 4 \\ 5 &\geq \frac{4+3}{2} \\ 5 &\geq \frac{4+3+6}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the minimum of $f(x)$ is 20.

A multi-variable expression of the first degree with positive coefficients is equal to a positive constant:

$$ax + by = c$$

The sum of the variables m :

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &= m \\ ax + by + ab - ab &= c + ab - ab \\ a(x - b) + b(y + a) &= c \\ x - b + y + a &= m + a - b \\ a \geq b &\rightarrow a - b \geq 0 \rightarrow m + a + b \geq m \end{aligned}$$

Shows that when a multi-variable expression of the first degree with positive coefficients is equal to a positive constant, the sum of the variables is greater when a variable with a smaller coefficient is increased and a variable with a larger coefficient is

decreased. Therefore, to get the maximum of $f(x) = r + s + t + u$ for

$5r + 4s + 3t + 6u = 100$, the variables should be increased in ascending order of coefficient: t, s, r, u . Since $r \geq s \geq t \geq u \geq 0$, when $f(x)$ is at its maximum, $r = s = t$. If u is decreased as much as possible because it has the largest coefficient, it must equal 0.

$$5r + 4s + 3t + 6 \cdot 0 = 100$$

$$(5 + 4 + 3)r = 100$$

$$r = s = t = \frac{100}{12}$$

$$\frac{100}{12} + \frac{100}{12} + \frac{100}{12} + 0 = 25$$

The maximum of $f(x)$ is 25.

The domain of $f(x)$ is $[20, 25]$.