

System and Decision Sciences at IIASA 1973-1980

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FOREWORD

In October 1981, the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) marked the ninth anniversary of the signing of its Charter, and by the middle of 1981 it had completed its first eight years of research activity.

We believe that the time has now come to assess the past achievements of the Institute and to outline future research directions. The successes we have had in the last eight years should be shared with those outside the Institute who are interested in its work – scientists, advisors, and decision makers – people who should also help IIASA shape its future plans.

With this aim in mind, Andrzej Wierzbicki and Peyton Young have prepared a report on the activities of the System and Decision Sciences Area (formerly known as the Methodology Project), which reviews past work, discusses current research, and suggests several new directions.

We hope that this report will lead to a greater understanding of the work being carried out at IIASA within the System and Decision Sciences Area, and will extend the international network of persons and institutions both collaborating with IIASA and making use of its research.

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OVERVIEW

From its earliest beginnings as the Methodology Project, the System and Decision Sciences (SDS) Area has fulfilled two main tasks at IIASA: providing methodological assistance to workers in other research areas, and carrying out fundamental research on new methods and models for use in applied systems analysis. From 1976 to 1979 the Area also included the former Computer Science Project; this group now performs a service function under the title "Computer Communications Services", and its history and objectives are described elsewhere.

Over the past seven years, the System and Decision Sciences Area has studied a wide range of topics, including economic theory, econometric modeling, mathematical demography, optimization methods, control theory and hierarchical systems, game theory, and decision sciences. The emphasis of the research changes from year to year, but the central objective of the Area has always been to maintain a strong core group working on economic theory and optimization methods, fields in which new results may be applied immediately in other parts of the Institute.

Because of the need to cover such a wide variety of topics with a relatively small staff, the Area has always tried to recruit people with a broad range of interests in theoretical and applied subjects, rather than specialists in any particular field. The scientific staff is drawn largely from IIASA's seventeen National Member Organization countries, and this results in much fruitful collaboration between researchers of widely differing disciplines and backgrounds. In addition, the Area encourages scientists from all over the world to visit IIASA to participate in the research program for periods of about a month. These policies, combined with a long history of successful conferences, workshops, and collaborative ventures, ensure that the Area will be open to new influences and new ideas, and should remain at the forefront of methodological research for many years to come.

BRIEF HISTORY

George Dantzig (October 1973 to July 1974)

George Dantzig, who was the original architect and first leader of the group, established several general themes that have continued to play a major role in the Area's research: mathematical programming methods and applications, decision theory, economics, and control theory. The scientists working in each of these four fields in the first year of the group's existence are listed below.

Mathematical Programming	Decision Theory	Economics	Control Theory
George Dantzig David Bell Carlos Winkler	Howard Raiffa Jean-Pierre Ponsard	Tjalling Koopmans	Yuri Rozanov

The methodological work in mathematical programming was principally concerned with different methods of solving large-scale linear programming problems by decomposition, and developing improved methods for integer programming. Applications included the development of an energy planning model in collaboration with the IIASA Energy Project, and the use of dynamic programming to determine optimal forest management policies jointly with the Ecology Project.

The work in decision theory included the development of a comprehensive theory of decision making with multiple objectives, the analysis of multi-person decision making using game theory, and selected topics in decision making under uncertainty. In economics the major topic of interest was the optimal allocation of resources over time, including the implications of different discounting procedures and the choice of time horizon. The group also spent some time studying control problems.

During this period, the System and Decision Sciences Area (or as it was then, the Methodology Project) sponsored two Conferences on Global

Modeling which had as their objective a comprehensive review and critique of global models, in particular the Mesarovic–Pestel and Bariloche models.

**Tjalling Koopmans (July to December 1974) and
William Jewell (January to June 1975)**

Under the leadership of Tjalling Koopmans, and his successor, William Jewell, work continued on mathematical programming methods and decision analysis. Several topics received increased emphasis: control theory and dynamic systems, and statistical estimation (see below).

Mathematical Programming	Decision Theory	Control Theory	Statistical Estimation
David Bell	Jacques Gros	John Casti	Abdelmonem Afifi
Yuri Evtushenko	Ralph Keeney	Hans-Richard Grumm	William Jewell
Ralph Keeney	Tjalling Koopmans	Ramon Mehra	
Hiroshi Konno		Yuri Rozanov	
William Orchard-Hays			

A particularly fruitful collaboration began with the Ecology Project, headed by C.S. Holling, who used the term “resilience” to describe the kind of stability to external shocks exhibited by ecological systems. Members of the SDS Area became interested in trying to define this concept more rigorously using the language of dynamic systems theory. It was also shown how the same general approach might give insights into the qualitative behavior of other systems such as climate and economic growth.

The theory of multiobjective decision making developed by Ralph Keeney and Howard Raiffa was used in several applied case studies, including a study of salmon management in the Skeena River Basin in Canada, water resource development in the Tisza River Basin in Hungary, and an ecological study of a common pest, the spruce budworm. These and other uses, as well as new theoretical methods, were presented in a major workshop held in 1975, bringing together scientists with interests in multiple objective decision making from both East and West.

Michel Balinski (September 1975 to January 1978)

Michel Balinski served as Area Chairman from mid-1975 until the end of 1977. During this period, the scope of work in economic modeling was broadened and research into several new topics was begun. The new fields included problems in fair division, statistical forecasting techniques, and methods for nonsmooth optimization.

Economic Modeling	Fair Division	Statistical Forecasting	Optimization
Brian Arthur	Michel Balinski	Johannes Ledolter	Spartak Chebotarev
Harold Barnett	Bengt Hansson		Claude Lemarechal
Lars Bergman	Peyton Young		Robert Mifflin
Anthony Fisher			William Orchard-Hays
Pradeep Mitra			Anatoli Propoi
Morris Norman			Igor Zimin

One of the projects of the economic modeling group was to develop a simple macroeconomic model to analyze long-term growth alternatives in industrialized economies; this model was used by the Energy Project to construct different scenarios of future energy demands and supplies. Another energy-related study involved the construction of a general equilibrium model designed to forecast the effect of rapidly increasing energy prices on small open economies that depend heavily on imported energy sources. Increased emphasis was placed on problems of resource scarcity. Empirical and theoretical studies were made of the different ways in which resource scarcity can be measured and how resource scarcity may produce economic change. Finally, a new study was undertaken on the complex interconnections between demographic, social, and economic variables affecting economic development; this produced a case study analyzing population growth and economic development in Bangladesh.

A second new area of interest was problems of conflict resolution and fair division. This included a study of the different procedures that may be employed to reach a group consensus despite conflicting individual preferences, and a systematic analysis of the methods used to allocate political representation among political parties and geographical regions in different countries – this is a classic problem of fair division complicated by the indivisible nature of the things to be divided.

Yet another topic was the study of statistical forecasting techniques and multivariate time series analysis.

In optimization, two principal topics were pursued: methods for dealing with large-scale systems, and nondifferentiable optimization techniques. A new technique called "polyhedral dynamics" was developed to study the connective structure of large-scale processes. Another approach was to decompose certain types of large-scale systems using dynamic linear programming techniques combined with a generalized gradient method. Finally, a large-scale mathematical programming software system (SESAME), developed at the National Bureau of Economic Research and installed at Pisa, was transferred and adapted for use at IIASA by William Orchard-Hays.

A group of researchers from different countries was brought together at IIASA to stimulate development in nondifferentiable optimization. Existing approaches in this new field were compared and new theoretical algorithms created for solving difficult classes of optimization problems that involve nondifferentiable objective functions. These techniques were used by Claude Lemarechal and Robert Mifflin in the world food trade model developed in the Food and Agriculture Program. These and other developments were reported in a Task Force meeting on Nondifferentiable Optimization, held in December 1977, which involved leading researchers in optimization from both eastern and western countries.

Peter de Janosi (February 1978 to June 1979)

The period between the beginning of 1978 and the middle of 1979 saw an increasing emphasis on economic modeling under the leadership of Peter de Janosi, and work on optimization also flourished.

Economic Modeling	Optimization
Clopper Almon	Spartak Chebotarev
Brian Arthur	James Curry
Lars Bergman	Yuri Ermolev
Lawrence Klein	Markku Kallio
Pradeep Mitra	Evgeni Nurminski
Douglas Nyhus	William Orchard-Hays
Fumiko Seo	Anatoli Propoi
Peyton Young	Andrzej Wierzbicki
	Igor Zimin

During this period, the economic modeling group started work on an international system of dynamic input–output models with nonlinear feedbacks, using the INFORUM models developed by Clopper Almon at the University of Maryland.

The group also worked on the incorporation of sophisticated demographic methods into economic theory. This approach was used to make a comprehensive theoretical analysis of the economics of risks to life, e.g., the potential costs of nuclear hazards, the benefits of improved safety standards in industry, and the possible returns of medical research designed to eliminate specific diseases. Building on previous work on the relationship between demographic development and economic growth, the career implications for the growing numbers of young people entering professional labor markets were analyzed. Finally, the economic modeling group held a Task Force meeting on Long-Term Economic Planning, which involved participants from both centrally planned and market economies.

The optimization group continued to develop new algorithms for large-scale and nonsmooth systems. Dynamic linear programming methods were used in a large-scale model of the Finnish forest industry, constructed as part of a study carried out in collaboration with the Finnish Forest Research Institute.

Research on nondifferentiable optimization (NDO) continued to thrive, the results including the development of NDO methods for a broad class of weakly convex functions, a study of the use of augmented Lagrange functions in NDO, a study of second-order approximations to nondifferentiable problems, and the application of NDO concepts to the problem of linking optimization models. Several NDO algorithms were used to solve equilibrium problems in international agricultural trade and were also used to study resource allocation in health-care systems. These and other developments were reported in a second international Task Force meeting on Nondifferentiable Optimization, held in 1978.

CURRENT AND FUTURE RESEARCH DIRECTIONS

In June 1979, Andrzej Wierzbicki became Chairman of the Area; in November 1979, Peyton Young became Deputy Chairman. During the second half of 1979 and throughout 1980 the work of the System and Decision Sciences Area fell into three main categories: economic modeling, decision theory, and optimization; there was also a certain amount of individual research on other topics.

Economic Modeling	Decision Theory	Optimization	Other
Bert Hickman	Andrzej Wierzbicki	Michael Dempster	Andrzej
Robert Coen	Fumiko Seo	Yuri Ermolev	Lewandowski
András Pór	Giandomenico	Markku Kallio	Ingolf Ståhl
Lars Bergman	Majone	Evgeni Nurminski	
Clopper Almon	Michael Thompson	William Orchard-	
Douglas Nyhus		Hays	
Brian Arthur		Tyrrell Rockafellar	
Harold Barnett		Roger Wets	
Gerhardus van Muiswinkel		Andrzej Wierzbicki	
Peyton Young			
Werner Güth			

Economic Modeling

The work in economics falls into four main categories: macroeconomic modeling, connections between economic and demographic theory, measures of resource scarcity, and public economics.

The work in macroeconomic modeling is concerned with the analysis of specific issues common to many countries, such as how changes in the age distribution of the population are likely to affect economic growth and other economic indicators; how constraints on natural resources may affect long-term economic growth; and the best methods of planning future economic growth and structural change in the face of highly uncertain international markets.

During 1980 a macroeconomic model of the United States was developed in cooperation with Stanford and Northwestern Universities by Bert Hickman and Robert Coen. The model was designed to study the dynamic relationships between actual and potential growth under different policy scenarios, and considers aggregate energy demand and supply, capital formation, productivity, energy use, and investments. The same basic structure may be used to model other market economies, and SDS has been collaborating with the Manpower Task of the Human Settlements and Services Area in applying the model to analyses of population change and labor market problems. IIASA has also made significant contributions in the further development of multisectoral general equilibrium growth models. This type of model can be adapted to study a great variety of structural issues, such as the effects of foreign trade and energy policies on particular economic sectors. The multisectoral model of a small open economy, developed by Lars Bergman, was used to prepare for the recent national referendum on the future use of nuclear energy in Sweden; the model is also being applied to Bulgaria and Hungary. András Pór has developed new and improved algorithms for the practical implementation of such models and these have also been applied to similar models used by the Human Settlements and Services Area and the Regional Development Task.

A topic receiving increasing emphasis is the modeling of international trade, which is especially appropriate bearing in mind IIASA's desire to promote greater international cooperation. A system of input-output models of national economies originally developed by Clopper Almon and the Inter-Industry Forecasting Project at the University of Maryland has been expanded at IIASA by Douglas Nyhus to create a linked system that provides an empirical framework for analyzing national policy decisions in terms of their impacts on other nations.

This work marks the beginning of a wider study of both theoretical and practical issues in international trade. Another ambitious objective is to develop a model that could be used to study the major factors affecting global economic growth and the distribution of wealth at a level aggregated enough to be easily maintained and understood. The model would consider such factors as overall demographic change, rates of capital accumulation, the availability of natural resources, technical progress, and growth of output in each of several aggregate world regions, with special attention paid to the roles of trade, capital flows, foreign aid, and migration in these processes. A conference on Global Economic Modeling was organized by Bert Hickman and Robert Coen and held in July 1980; the feasibility of the proposed model was one of the main topics under discussion.

A second area of interest in the economics group is the study of dynamic interactions between demographic and economic variables: this is largely the province of Brian Arthur. Recent contributions include the development of a method for measuring the economic impacts of risks to life and the expected benefits of new cures or safety measures, and a technique for studying the effects of population bulges on the career prospects of individuals in particular professions. Current research is using functional analysis to trace the complex ripple effects arising from specific demographic shifts such as new medical cures or changing fertility patterns.

Harold Barnett and Gerhardus van Muiswinkel are working on a third topic in economic analysis: a study of resource scarcity and economic growth. The project is funded in part by the U.S. National Academy of Sciences. The objective is to try to improve current concepts, measures, and understanding of resource scarcity. The study will consider not only the simple physical withdrawal of reserves, but also related factors which have become important in recent years, such as the need for environmental protection, the existence of cartels, the element of political risk, and the increasing availability of sea-bed resources.

The fourth topic, public economics and decision theory, includes several areas of research. One of these, pursued by Peyton Young, is concerned with problems of fair division, and is particularly relevant to economic planning and the allocation of resources. The objective is to develop practical methods to encourage a group of individuals representing different interests to agree on a given allocation of resources or costs by proposing appropriate incentives. Potential uses include allocating resources in centrally planned economies, planning the location and scale of public goods, and determining optimal prices and output in regulated industries. Some of these ideas have been applied to the problem of allocating the costs of a shared water supply system in Sweden among the municipalities taking part in the scheme. This project was carried out in cooperation with the Resources and Environment Area. A related piece of work by Werner Güth involves the use of game theory to study the effects of ownership and control of various resources on the market for other resources and how these factors affect rates of extraction and relative prices.

Decision Theory

The second main class of research in the System and Decision Sciences Area is the study of decision processes and hierarchical structures; this builds

on the Area's traditional interest in problems of multiple or conflicting objectives. The aim of this research is to demonstrate the influence of institutional structure on the decision-making process: how the organizational structure of a decision-making body balances conflicting objectives, how different structures may impede or improve information flow, how rapidly they can adapt to changing conditions, and how well they resolve competing interests.

Recent advances include the use of a hierarchical approach to multi-objective decision analysis in regional planning (by Fumiko Seo) and a mathematical description (by Andrzej Wierzbicki) of the concept of "satisficing" in decision making. "Satisficing" represents the gray area between "satisfying" and "sufficing" as far as a decision maker is concerned, and up until now has existed only conceptually. The mathematical description of this concept is based on the analysis of a simple idealized organization composed of a manager and his staff. The manager is supposed to set targets, or aspiration levels, and then the staff must respond with a series of proposals. If the aspiration levels are too low, the staff may propose to exceed them; if the levels are too high, the staff suggests the closest possible approach: if the levels are exactly right, the staff proposes to meet them and does not attempt to have them altered. From this it is possible to obtain an axiom reflecting the rationality of staff proposals; this axiom may be incorporated into the general value theory for topological spaces. This somewhat abstract theory also has some practical applications, for example, when designing computer systems to be used interactively: the human judgement of the user (manager) is expressed in terms of aspiration levels, and a computerized optimization model (the staff) responds to these requirements by generating efficient alternatives. An interactive system based on this technique has been developed to analyze the possible development of the Finnish forestry industry, and tested successfully.

Giandomenico Majone and Michael Thompson are just starting a joint investigation of risk management with the Management and Technology Area. The study involves the use of both analytical and sociological methods to investigate the role of institutions in managing different types of risk.

Optimization

Optimization continues to play an important role in the work of the System and Decision Sciences Area. The optimization group not only provides expert methodological and mathematical assistance to other Areas and

Programs, but also forms an international center for research extending and developing new optimization techniques, such as large-scale and dynamic linear programming and methods for nondifferentiable and nonsmooth optimization.

The topics studied by the group therefore reflect both the growing needs of other Areas and Programs for techniques dealing with factors such as uncertainty, multiple objectives, and the effects of scale, and the desire to extend the theoretical basis of the subject through fundamental research.

Large-scale linear programming methods are being used to build models covering a wide spectrum of problems: the Energy Program's energy supply model, national food and agriculture models in the Food and Agriculture Program, and planning models for educational and manpower systems, health-care systems, and water resource management. In parallel with this applied research, the methodological research concentrates on such aspects as linking large-scale linear programming models, developing multiobjective linear programming methods, and including uncertainty in linear programming models.

Most of these methodological advances have been analyzed and tested on a planning model developed by the Area for the Finnish forestry industry. A new interactive method of multiobjective linear programming, in which the model responds to the user's stated aspiration levels for various objectives, has been developed, and used to produce a trajectory optimization in the Finnish forestry sector model. Other applications to regional planning and energy supply are in progress.

Active research continues on nonsmooth and nonconvex optimization techniques. Recent advances include a new saddle-point theorem for nonconvex and nonsmooth optimization problems, devised by Michael Dempster, and an algorithm of quadratic approximations to nonconvex optimization problems, developed by Andrzej Wierzbicki. A method of linking optimization models via nondifferentiable optimization has been worked out by Evgeni Nurminski, and has been used in such areas as health care, resource allocation, and linking energy supply models and economic models.

Stochastic optimization and its applications are receiving increasing attention in the System and Decision Sciences Area, partly in response to the needs of other groups working at IIASA. The main aims are to develop stochastic optimization algorithms — Yuri Ermolev and Roger Wets are paying particular attention to approximation techniques — and to investigate various applications, including stochastic programming models of hierarchical decision structures. A Workshop on Stochastic Optimization Techniques was held in December 1980.

Other Work

In addition to economics, decision theory, and optimization, the System and Decision Sciences Area covers a number of other topics, such as methods of building models and experimental gaming, that first arose in other Areas. Ingolf Ståhl has been involved in experimental gaming, a relatively new field in which real situations are modeled as "games" under experimental conditions, using a set of rules and objectives to simulate the behavior of the actual system. Planners and decision makers are invited to play "games" designed to illustrate the processes of planning and decision making in their particular field; this can cast some interesting light on the way in which decisions are actually taken. Gaming may also be used as a test of any proposed planning solution – if the "players" do not find the solution acceptable in an experimental setting, it will probably not be any more appealing in the real world. Members of the Area also try to act as constructive critics of the modeling work done in other parts of the Institute. Indeed, this has led to an exploratory study, by Andrzej Lewandowski, of how checks on model validity and consistency can be carried out systematically, using such techniques as parameter estimation, sensitivity analysis, and simulation.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Economic Modeling

The Economics of Risks to Life, by W. Brian Arthur (RR-79-16)

This paper examines the economic welfare implications of mortality change within a framework that both recognizes general equilibrium effects and incorporates full age-specific accounting. Two formal results are derived. Under a life-cycle welfare criterion, changes in the age-pattern of mortality, caused say by a medical breakthrough, should be assessed on the utility of additional life-years, production, and reproduction, less expected additional social costs of support. Loss of life at a specific age should be assessed on the opportunity costs of expected lost years of living and lost production and reproduction, less expected social support costs. From these results it is seen that current methods, in general, leave out an important social transfer term, that the valuation of life-risks is highly age-dependent, and that the degree of diminishing returns to consumption plays an important part in calculations of the economic cost of risks.

A Three Country Comparison of the Impact of Slower Growth on Three Industries Using Input-Output Analysis, by Douglas E. Nyhus (WP-79-21)

In the 1970s western Europe entered a period of reduced real growth. During the economic boom of the 1960s, nearly all industries were growing fast enough to allow employment to remain at least constant. However, in the 1970s western European industry experienced a recession from which it is now recovering, though output growth seems to be substantially below that achieved in the 1960s. Some industries have adapted to the reduced growth rates with relative ease while others have encountered severe adjustment difficulties. This report uses input-output analysis to compare the effects that slower growth has produced on three different industries in three western European countries.

A Global Economic Model, by Lawrence R. Klein (WP-79-76)

There are some problems which are best analyzed using large detailed models and others for which small simple models are more appropriate. An analysis of the world economy over long stretches of time is probably best tackled with a small model – one that captures the essence of some aspect of growth and general economic environment and that can handle a wide variety of problems. Much of the work will be done by scholars who are not economists and therefore it would be sensible to construct a model that is not data-intensive, that is easy to manage, and easy to apply to a limited range of issues. This report describes a first attempt to construct such a model.

An Input-Output Approach to the Analysis of Intercountry Differences in Per Capita Energy Consumption, by Lars Bergman, Claude Clemenz, and Alois Hölzl (WP-80-3)

Comparisons of energy consumption patterns in different countries can serve to identify inefficiencies in the use of energy in individual countries. However, measures

such as the use of energy per capita or per unit of GDP are not usually very good indicators of international differences in the efficiency of energy use. Factors such as climatic conditions, production methods, and consumption patterns may all affect the values of these parameters. Moreover, differences in these parameters may be caused not only by differences in the efficiency of energy utilization, but also by differences in the relative price of energy between countries.

In this study, input–output data for the Federal Republic of Germany, France, and the Netherlands are used to identify international differences in per capita energy consumption patterns which can be traced to differences in production methods and domestic consumption patterns. Such differences do exist: in particular, the technologies used in the three countries differed significantly in terms of energy intensity. However, when these results were combined with data on relative prices, the observed differences in energy intensities were in most cases quite consistent with the differences in relative prices. Thus, the observed differences between the three countries studied do not seem to reflect international differences in the efficiency of energy utilization.

A Quantitative General Equilibrium Model of the Swedish Economy, by Lars Bergman and András Pórh (WP-80-4)

A quantitative general equilibrium model is useful for two main applications. The first includes work involving a time horizon two or more decades into the future. In such studies, a model of this type can highlight various features of future economic conditions by providing a number of resource allocations, each consistent with full equilibrium in both product and factor markets. The second application is concerned with comparisons between observed resource allocations and hypothetical equilibrium allocations.

In this report a quantitative general equilibrium model of an open economy is developed, and used to examine Swedish data. In addition to the foreign trade flows, the model includes the following procedure which is reiterated until a full equilibrium is reached. In the first step, technological coefficients and output prices are determined on the basis of initial factor prices. Then the excess demands on factor markets at product market equilibrium are determined. The initial factor prices are then adjusted and the process repeated.

The report also contains some preliminary results obtained with the model and a brief discussion of future directions of research in this field.

A Disaggregated Annual Model of Labor Supply and Unemployment, 1951–2000, by Robert M. Coen and Bert G. Hickman (WP-80-15)

The number of manhours available is one of the principal determinants of the potential output of an economy. Although this measure of labor supply may be strongly influenced by population developments, there are several economic and behavioral factors that rule out any simple relationship between population growth and increase in the number of manhours available. These include the willingness of individuals to join the labor force, the aggregate employment rate of those in the labor force, and the number of hours worked by each employee. In the United States, for example, the working-age population was 53 percent larger in 1977 than in 1947, yet total manhours worked increased by only 40 percent, and manhours worked in the private sector rose by only 27 percent.

This report presents an integrated empirical analysis of the links between population and labor supply. The factors affecting the size of the labor force, disaggregated by age and sex, the number of hours worked annually by each employee, and the unemployment rate are examined for the period following the second world war. The relations concerning these variables are designed for use in a new version of the Hickman—Coen annual growth model of the United States, but they also form a subsystem which jointly determines the supply of manhours, the unemployment rate that may be taken as representing a high level of employment, and the natural rate of unemployment. It is shown how the subsystem may be used to generate these variables, and conditional estimates of their values for the periods 1951–1977 and 1980–2000 are given.

The INFORUM–IIASA Trade Model: An Interim Report, by Douglas E. Nyhus (WP-80-24)

An initial version of the INFORUM–IIASA international trade model for linking national input–output models was completed several years ago. For many people, this model remains the most interesting part of the system of input–output models being developed jointly by the Inter-Industry Forecasting Project of the University of Maryland (INFORUM), IIASA, and several other institutions.

This report presents a brief overview of the system of models, a review of the international trade model, and a discussion of some of the results obtained from it. Possible methods of improving the model are suggested, and the problems encountered in transferring data from the national models to the international model are discussed.

Decision Theory

The Webster Method of Apportionment, by Michel Balinski and Peyton Young (WP-79-49)

The problem of U.S. Congressional apportionment is analyzed in this paper. The results indicate that a method (“Major Fractions”) first proposed by Daniel Webster is fairest when judged on the basis of common sense, constitutional requirement, and precedent.

An Integrated Approach for Improving Decision-Making Processes, by Fumiko Seo (WP-79-54)

Decision-making processes generally involve multiple objectives which are noncommensurable and which are often in conflict with one another; decisions are also generally made under conditions of uncertainty. The decision-making process takes place in two stages: an analytical assessment followed by a value judgment. Optimization methods such as mathematical programming are often used in the analytical phase. The use of nested Lagrangian multipliers is one possible method of bridging the gap between the two phases of the decision-making process. This paper presents the basic theory of the nested Lagrangian multiplier (NLM) method and discusses some applications of this technique to integrated regional planning.

A Methodology for Environmental Systems Management: Dynamic Application of the Nested Lagrangian Multiplier Method, by Fumiko Seo and Masatoshi Sakawa (RR-80-12)

This report presents a method for solving multiobjective optimization problems. Special attention is paid to bridging the gap between procedures for obtaining Pareto-optimal solutions and the "best compromise" solution preferred by the decision maker. First, the main concepts of the utility approach are briefly reviewed from the point of view of multiobjective systems analysis, and some deficiencies in this approach are examined. Second, a new technique called the nested Lagrangian multiplier (or NLM) method is introduced, and compared with earlier methods adopting the utility approach. The theoretical background is also examined. Third, the use of the NLM method for environmental systems management in the Greater Osaka area is demonstrated. Finally, it is noted that using mathematical optimization methods in integrated planning would simultaneously provide optimal solutions for allocation as well as evaluation problems. The use of dual optimal solutions to provide evaluation factors is emphasized.

Evaluations for Industrial Land-Use Program Related to Water-Quality Management, by Fumiko Seo and Masatoshi Sakawa (WP-80-49)

This paper presents a hierarchical model used to analyze a regional land-use program based on water pollution control. The overall model is decomposed into both functional and regional subsystems. The method used to coordinate and evaluate the subsystems is based on multiattribute utility analysis combined directly with dual variables obtained from mathematical programming. Shadow prices are used to derive the component criterion ("utility") functions which provide a basis on which to compare widely differing attributes. Uncertainty based on judgmental probability distributions is explicitly taken into consideration in the upper layer of the decision-making system. This procedure is a modified dynamic version of the nested Lagrangian multiplier (NLM) method and the model is used to analyze a land-use program for the northern Senshu area in the Osaka prefecture of Japan.

Cost Allocation in Water Resources Development – A Case Study of Sweden, by Peyton Young, Norio Okada, and Tsuyoshi Hashimoto (RR-80-32)

Methods for allocating the joint costs of a water supply facility among the different users are systematically compared using basic principles from game theory and fair division. The analysis shows that some of the more widely used methods, including the separable cost–remaining benefits method, seem less satisfactory than a lesser-known game theoretic method based on the idea of the "core". A practical illustration is provided by considering various methods of allocating the costs of a joint water supply system in the Skåne region of southern Sweden among the municipalities participating in the scheme.

Optimization

Models of Dynamic Linear Programming, by Anatoli Propoi (WP-79-37)

This report presents a survey of dynamic linear programming models. The first part of the paper considers models which can be described as (specific) resource supply

models (these deal with energy supply, extraction of and exploration for mineral resources, water management systems, manpower and education, and agriculture). The second part of the paper describes economic models. Finally, the combination of these two types of model into an integrated system is discussed in the last part of the paper.

Experiments with the Reduced Gradient Method for Linear Programming, by Markku Kallio and William Orchard-Hays (WP-79-84)

This report deals with some methods for linear programming which generate a monotonically improving sequence of feasible solutions. Examples include the simplex method and the reduced gradient method. The SESAME linear programming system developed by Orchard-Hays is based on these concepts, and has already been implemented. This system resembles the reduced gradient method except that only a subset of nonbasic variables to be changed is considered at each iteration. Several modifications of this basic version are investigated in this report. These modifications are concerned with the choice of an initial basis and an initial solution, with strategies for finding a feasible solution, and with strategies for determining the direction of change for a feasible solution at each iteration.

Nondifferentiable Optimization Promotes Health Care, by David Hughes, Evgeni Nurminski, and Geoff Royston (WP-79-90)

The principal aim of health care research at IIASA has been to develop a family of submodels of national health care systems for use by health service planners. The modeling work involves the construction of linked submodels dealing with population, the prevalence of disease, and the need for, allocation, and supply of resources.

This report is the fruit of a collaboration between two research groups at IIASA. It describes how a health resource allocation model, constructed in the Health Care Systems Task of the Human Settlements and Services Area, may be solved by using nondifferentiable optimization techniques developed in the Optimization Task of the System and Decision Sciences Area.

Some Theoretical Considerations on Linkage Problems, by Evgeni Nurminski (WP-79-117)

A new decomposition approach is proposed for solving large-scale linear programming problems. This paper outlines the theoretical basis of this approach and gives a small numerical example illustrating the method of solution. The algorithm is based on nondifferentiable optimization and the solution is obtained in a finite number of steps monotonically decreasing an objective function. At each step, a number of subproblems from the original large-scale problem is solved; the additional computations necessary to coordinate the solutions of these subproblems via the nondifferentiable optimization technique are much less time-consuming than the solution of the subproblems.

A Methodological Guide to Multiobjective Optimization, by Andrzej Wierzbicki (WP-79-122)

During the last few years there has been growing interest in the field of multiobjective optimization. There are many approaches and techniques associated with multiobjective decision making and optimization; however, not all approaches have been

developed to the same level, and the use of the resulting techniques is often based on tradition rather than on the suitability of a particular technique for solving a given problem. This report is a comparative evaluation of various approaches and techniques. The evaluation is based on a classification of the various problems which can arise in multi-objective decision making and optimization. The different approaches, methods, and techniques for solution are described briefly and then evaluated in terms of their suitability for solving various classes of problems.

The final part of the paper presents a broad description of a relatively new approach based on reference objective levels. This method has not yet been fully developed but in the future may be used to solve many classes of problems. Various theoretical and practical implications of this new approach are also discussed.

A Model for the Forest Sector, by Markku Kallio, Anatoli Propoi, and Risto Seppälä (WP-80-34)

This report describes a dynamic linear programming model for studying the long-range development of forestry and forest-based industries at both national and regional levels. An analysis of the Finnish forestry sector illustrates the use of the model and provides some numerical examples. The model is composed of two subsystems, the forestry subsystem and the industrial subsystem, which are linked to each other through the wood supply. The forestry submodel describes changes in the number and age distribution of trees of different species within the nation or its subregions. The industrial submodel considers various production activities, such as the saw-mill industry, the panel industry, and the pulp and paper industry, as well as activities involving the processing of primary products. A number of different technologies may be employed to produce any single product. Thus the production process may be described by a small Leontief model with substitution. Production is restricted not only by the supply of wood and the demand for wood products, but also by labor availability, production capacity, and financial resources. The production activities are grouped into units and investments are made within the financial resources of these units. Objective functions related to GNP, balance of payments, employment, wages, stumpage earnings, and industrial profit are formulated. It is suggested that end-point conditions for the dynamic optimization problem may be determined through an optimal solution of a stationary model for the whole forestry sector.

An Implementation of the Reference Point Approach for Multiobjective Optimization, by Markku Kallio, Andrzej Lewandowski, and William Orchard-Hays (WP-80-35)

This report studies the reference point approach used by Wierzbicki for multiobjective optimization. The method does not necessarily try to find an optimum under any utility function but rather to generate a sequence of efficient solutions which are interesting from the decision-maker's point of view. The user can interfere via suggestions of reference values for the vector of objectives. The optimization system is used to find the Pareto solution that is nearest to each reference objective.

The approach is expanded to include any information on the decision-maker's preferences which may accumulate during the interactive process. In this case a Pareto point is excluded from consideration if it is not optimal under any linear utility function consistent with the information obtained.

Numerical Experiments with Decomposition of Linear Programming on a Small Computer, by Evgeni Nurminski (WP-80-37)

This report presents the results of some numerical experiments on the effectiveness of a decomposition approach to solving large-scale linear programming problems. Decomposition may also be seen as a specific way of linking subproblems or submodels to reach a coordinated solution. One major advantage of this approach is that each subproblem may be solved separately, if necessary using a different computer located at a different institution in each case.

Other Work

The Accuracy of Population Projections, by Michael A. Stoto (WP-79-75)

Population projections are key elements in many planning or policy studies; unfortunately the projections are inherently inaccurate. This study of the errors in past population projections provides a means for constructing confidence intervals for future projections.

First of all a statistic is defined which measures projection errors independent of the size of the population and the length of the projection period. Examination of a sample of U.S. Census Bureau and UN projections indicates that the distribution of the error statistic is relatively stable. Finally, this information is used to construct confidence intervals for projections of the total population of the United States up to the year 2000.

Why a Population Converges to Stability, by W. Brian Arthur (RR-80-19)

A central theorem in mathematical demography states that the age distribution of a closed population with unchanging fertility and mortality behavior must converge to a fixed and stable form. Proofs rely on ready-made theorems borrowed from linear algebra or from asymptotic transform theory, particularly the Perron–Frobenius and the Tauberian theorems. But while these proofs are efficient and expedient, they give little insight into the mechanism that forces the age distribution to converge.

This report proposes a simple argument for convergence. An elementary device allows us to view the birth sequence as the product of an exponential sequence and a weighted smoothing process. Smoothing progressively damps out the peaks and hollows in the initial birth sequence; thus the birth sequence gradually becomes exponential, and this forces the age distribution to assume a fixed and final form.

A Gaming Experiment on Cost Allocation in Water Resources Development, by Ingolf Ståhl (WP-80-38)

This report describes a gaming experiment concerning the allocation of costs among participants in a joint water supply system. Six Swedish water planners participated. The aim of the experiment was to test some game theoretic models of cost allocation presented in IIASA report RR-80-32. The behavior of the players was partly at odds with that predicted by game theory, and this suggested some new ideas for future research.

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