

OPERATIONAL RESEARCH 1 EXAM (Prof. Fischetti) - THEME A

1) Theory

- 1a) Prove the equivalence between vertices and basic feasible solutions in Linear Programming
- 1b) Prove the correctness of the Prim-Dijkstra algorithm for the Shortest Spanning Tree problem
- 1c) Write an Integer Linear Programming model for the Steiner tree problem

2) Linear Programming: Solve the LP problem associated with the following tableau:

+-----+		0		-3	-2	0	0		+-----+
+-----+		3		2	-3	1	2		+-----+
+-----+		4		3	2	-1	1		+-----+

Use the two-phase method, Bland's rule. In the end, report the optimal solution identified (or "impossible" or "unlimited" depending on the case).

3) Integer Linear Programming: solve the ILP problem associated with the following tableau, using Gomory's cutting plane algorithm. At each iteration, add to the current tableau the Gomory cut from the generating row with minimum index (skipping the row associated with the objective function), and reoptimize the tableau with the dual simplex algorithm (Bland's rule). Report all the tableaux obtained, highlighting the pivot element with a circle.

+-----+	-z	4		0	0	0	1		+-----+
+-----+	x3	1/3		0	-13/3	1	4/3		+-----+
+-----+	x1	4/3		1	2/3	0	1/3		+-----+

4) Graph Theory: Write an Integer Linear Programming model for the following problem. Let  $G=(V,A)$  be an assigned directed graph in which the arcset A is partitioned into two assigned sets A1 and A2. For each  $(i,j)$  in A, a cost  $c(i,j)$  and a weight  $w(i,j)$  are assigned. You want to find a Hamiltonian circuit of minimum overall cost (travelling salesman problem) that satisfies the following additional constraints:

(i) the total cost of the zero-weight arcs chosen in A1 shall not be less than the total cost of the negative-weight arcs chosen in A2.

(ii) the average weight of the arcs chosen in A2 shall not exceed an assigned value M.

$(A_1, A_2)$

$c_{ij}$   $w_{ij}$

"  $\sum_{(i,j) \in A_1} c_{ij} x_{ij}$  "

"  $\sum_{(i,j) \in A_2} c_{ij} x_{ij}$  "

where  $A_1 := \{(i,j) \in A_1 : w_{ij} = 0\}$

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**SOLUTIONS**

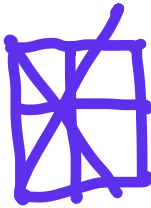
**LINEAR PROGRAMMING**

PHASE 1

-z	-7	-5	1	0	-3	0	0
x5	3	2	-3	1	2	1	0
x6	4	3	2	-1	1	0	1
-z	-1/3	0	13/3	-5/3	-4/3	0	5/3
x5	1/3	0	-13/3	5/3	4/3	1	-2/3
x1	4/3	1	2/3	-1/3	1/3	0	1/3
-z	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
x3	1/5	0	-13/5	1	4/5	3/5	-2/5
x1	7/5	1	-1/5	0	3/5	1/5	1/5

PHASE II

-z	21/5	0	-13/5	0	9/5
x3	1/5	0	-13/5	1	4/5
x1	7/5	1	-1/5	0	3/5



THE PROBLEM IS UNBOUNDED

**INTEGER LINEAR PROGRAMMING**

-z	4	0	0	0	1
x3	1/3	0	-13/3	1	4/3
x1	4/3	1	2/3	0	1/3

Generating row: 1

-z	4	0	0	0	1	0
x3	1/3	0	-13/3	1	4/3	0
x1	4/3	1	2/3	0	1/3	0
x5	-1/3	0	-2/3*	0	-1/3	1

-z	4	0	0	0	1	0
x3	5/2	0	0	1	7/2	-13/2
x1	1	1	0	0	0	1
x2	1/2	0	1	0	1/2	-3/2

Generating row: 1

-z	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
x3	5/2	0	0	1	7/2	-13/2	0
x1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
x2	1/2	0	1	0	1/2	-3/2	0
x6	-1/2	0	0	0	-1/2	-1/2*	1

-z	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
x3	9	0	0	1	10	0	-13
x1	0	1	0	0	-1	0	2
x2	2	0	1	0	2	0	-3
x5	1	0	0	0	1	1	-2

$$\min \sum_{(i,j) \in A} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

~~" $x_{ij} c_{ij}$ "~~

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in \delta^+(h)} x_{ij} = \sum_{(i,j) \in \delta^-(h)} x_{ij} = 1, \forall h \in V$$

(\*) sec's

$$x_{ij} \in [0, 1], \forall (i,j) \in A$$

" $0 \leq x_{ij} \leq 1$   
integer"

$$(i) \sum_{(i,j) \in A_1: w_{ij} = 0} c_{ij} x_{ij} \geq \sum_{(i,j) \in A_2: w_{ij} < 0} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$(ii) \sum_{(i,j) \in A_2} w_{ij} x_{ij} \leq M \sum_{(i,j) \in A_2} x_{ij}$$

~~" $\sum_{(i,j) \in A_2} (w_{ij} - M) x_{ij} \leq 0$ "~~

\*  $\sum_{(i,j) \in A(S)} x_{ij} \leq |S| - 1, \forall S \subseteq V: |S| \geq 2$

1) Theory ( $\geq 6/10$  to pass to exam) Time: 1.5h

1.a Define the total unimodularity of a matrix

1.b Prove the validity of Gomory cuts

1.c Write an ILP model for the traveling salesman problem

2) (Linear Programming) Consider the following LP

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & 1x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3 \\ & 2x_1 + x_2 \geq 8 \\ & 4x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \geq 12 \\ & 2x_1 + 1x_2 - x_3 \leq 6 \\ & x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

2.1) Solve it using primal simplex method (two phase method) Bland's rule Report all the tableaux and highlight with a circle each pivot element

2.2) Write the corresponding LP dual problem.

3) (Modeling) Write an ILP model for Steiner tree problem with the following additional constraints.

(a) At least half of the nodes of the graph must be covered (including the root)

(b) Given two distinct arcs a and b, if a selected then also b must be selected

$$1 + \sum_{\substack{h \in V, \\ h \neq r}} \sum_{(i,j) \in \delta^-(h)} x_{ij} \geq \lceil |V|/2 \rceil$$

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$$x_a = 1 \Rightarrow x_b = 1$$

tot. n. of covered nodes

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1.a) A matrix  $A$  of size  $m \times n$ ,  ~~$m \times m$~~ , is TUM (totally unimodular) if and only if, for each squared submatrix  $Q$  of  $A$ , of any order,  $\det(Q) \in \{-1, 1, 0\}$

1.b) Gomory cuts: given the ILP problem ~~vertex~~ suppose  $x^*$  to be ~~an~~ <sup>an</sup> optimal solution for the continuous relaxation of the problem;  $x^*$  is fractional, then ~~it~~ <sup>as any</sup> consider  $x_h$  the fractional component of  $x^*$ . We call generating row the following row  $i$  of the optimal tableau

$$x_h + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq h}}^m \bar{a}_{ij} x_j = \bar{b}_i \quad (a)$$

We apply the dual inequality procedure:

$$x_h + \sum_{j=1}^m \lfloor \bar{a}_{ij} \rfloor x_j \leq \lfloor \bar{b}_i \rfloor \quad (b)$$

→ we obtain the cut valid  $\forall x_j$  but violated by  $x_h$

→ we transform in standard form adding the variable  $x_{m+1}$  (slack variable)

$$x_h + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq h}}^m \lfloor \bar{a}_{ij} \rfloor x_j + x_{m+1} = \lfloor \bar{b}_i \rfloor \quad (c)$$

The new constraint is obtained making (c) - (a) and can be added to the tableau.

With this procedure we iteratively add new constraints, valid for all  $x_j$  but  $x_h$  fractional chosen.

1.c) Given  $G = (V, A)$ , let

$$x_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if arc } (i, j) \text{ is considered in the Hamiltonian cycle} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C_{ij} = \text{cost of arc } (i, j)$$

$$\text{min } \sum_{(i,j) \in A} C_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\sum_{(i,h) \in \delta^-(h)} x_{ih} = 1 \quad \forall h \in V$$

$$\sum_{(h,j) \in \delta^+(h)} x_{hj} = 1 \quad \forall h \in V$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in \delta^+(S)} x_{ij} \geq 1 \quad \forall S \subset V = 1 \in S$$

$x_{ij} \geq 0$ , integer

~~$i = \{1, \dots, m\}$   
 $j = \{1, \dots, m\}$~~

$(i, j) \in A$

2.1)

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
-z	0	1	3	2	0	0
8	2	1	0	-1	0	0
12	4	2	1	0	-1	0
6	2	1	-1	0	0	1
	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
-w	-26	-8	-4	0	1	1
$x_7$	8	2	1	0	-1	0
$x_8$	12	4	2	1	0	-1
$x_9$	6	2	1	-1	0	1

	$x_7$	$x_8$	$x_9$
	0	0	0
	1	0	0
	0	1	0
	0	0	1

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PHASE 1

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		$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	$x_8$	$x_9$
$-W$	-2	0	0	2	1	-1	-1	0	2	0
$x_7$	2	0	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0
$x_1$	3	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	$-\frac{1}{4}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0
$x_9$	0	0	0	$-\frac{3}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	1

		$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	$x_8$	$x_9$
$-W$	-2	0	0	-1	1	0	1	0	1	2
$x_7$	2	0	0	1	-1	0	-1	1	0	-1
$x_1$	3	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$
$x_5$	0	0	0	-3	0	1	2	0	-1	2

		$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$	$x_7$	$x_8$	$x_9$
$-W$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
$x_3$	2	0	0	1	-1	0	-1	1	0	-1
$x_1$	4	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
$x_5$	6	0	0	0	-3	1	-1	3	-1	-1

Phase 2:

$$z = x_1 + 3x_2 + 2x_3$$

$$= 4 - \frac{1}{2}x_2 + \frac{1}{2}x_4 + 3x_2 + 2(2 + x_4 + x_6)$$

$$= 8 + \frac{5}{2}x_2 + \frac{5}{2}x_4 + 2x_6$$

$= x_3$

non basic

2 (continue)

	$x_1$	$x_2$	$x_3$	$x_4$	$x_5$	$x_6$
-z	0	$\frac{5}{2}$	0	$\frac{5}{2}$	0	2
$x_3$	0	0	1	-1	0	-1
$x_4$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$-\frac{1}{2}$	0	0
$x_5$	0	0	0	-3	1	-1

$$\bar{c}_j \geq 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  STOP

~~$$x_1 = 4$$~~
~~$$x_2 = 0 \dots$$~~

2.2)

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & 2u_1 + 12u_2 + 6u_3 \\ & u_1 \geq 0 \\ & u_2 \geq 0 \\ & u_3 \leq 0 \\ & 2u_1 + 4u_2 + 2u_3 \leq 1 \\ & u_1 + 2u_2 + u_3 \leq 3 \\ & u_2 - u_3 \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

3)

$$\min \sum_{(i,j) \in A} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

Given  $G = (V, A)$ ,  $T \subset V$  <sup>root set</sup>

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sum_{(i,h) \in \delta^-(h)} x_{ih} &= 1 \quad \forall h \in T \quad (T \subset V) \\ &= 0 \quad \text{if } h = r \quad (r = \text{root}) \\ &\leq 1 \quad \forall h \in V \setminus (T \cup \{r\}) \end{aligned} \right\}$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in \delta^+(S)} x_{ij} \geq \sum_{(i,t) \in \delta^-(t)} x_{it} \quad \forall S \subset V: r \in S; \forall t \in (V \setminus S)$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in A} x_{ij} \geq \left\lceil \frac{1}{2} |V| \right\rceil - 1$$

$$x_{0a} \leq x_{0b}$$

$$x_{ij} \geq 0, \text{ integer } (i,j) \in A$$

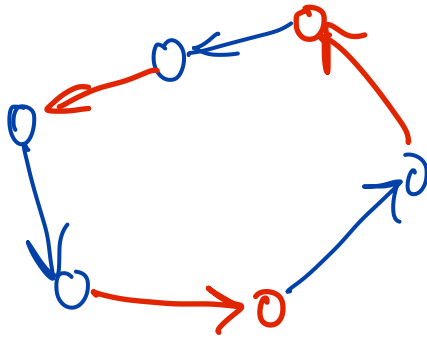


$$G = (V, A)$$

TSP solution

$$(A_1, A_2) = A$$

"no loops"

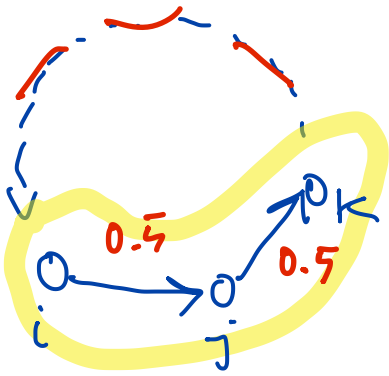



$|V|$  even

RULE: Alternate between arcs in  $A_1$  (blue) and  $A_2$  (red)

"1st idea"

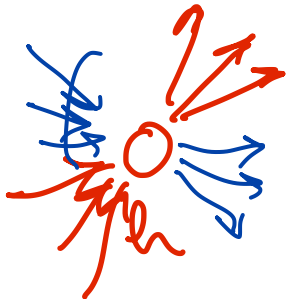
MINIMAL VIOLATION OF THE RULE



$$1) \quad x_{ij} + x_{jk} \leq 1, \quad \forall i, j, k \in V: \\ (i, j) \in A_1, (j, k) \in A_1 \\ |\{i, j, k\}| = 3$$

$$2) \quad x_{ij} + x_{jk} \leq 1, \quad \forall i, j, k \in V: \\ (i, j) \in A_2, (j, k) \in A_2$$

OR, BETTER:



$$\sum_{(i, j) \in \delta^-(h) \cap A_1} x_{ij} = \sum_{(i, j) \in \delta^+(h) \cap A_2} x_{ij}$$

,  $\forall h \in V$

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