

Homework 4 – Due 20 June 2022

1. Consider the polyhedron P given below.

$$P := \{(x_1, x_2, y) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 \geq y, x_2 \geq y, x_1 + x_2 + 2y \leq 2, y \geq 0\}.$$

Let $S := P \cap (\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{R})$. Prove that $x_1 \geq 3y$ and $x_2 \geq 3y$ are split inequalities.

2. Consider the following MIP:

$$\begin{array}{rcllclclcl} z = \max & 7x_1 & +5x_2 & +x_3 & +y_1 & & & & \\ & x_1 & +3x_2 & & +4y_1 & +y_2 & & & = 11 \\ & 5x_1 & +x_2 & +3x_3 & & & +y_3 & & = 12 \\ & & & 2x_3 & +2y_1 & & & -y_4 & = 3 \\ & x_1, & x_2, & x_3 & \in \mathbb{Z}_+ & & & & \\ & y_1, & y_2, & y_3, & y_4 & \in \mathbb{R}_+. & & & \end{array}$$

The optimal tableau of the LP relaxation is:

$$\begin{array}{rclclcl} z & +0.357x_3 & +1.286y_2 & +1.143y_3 & +2.071y_4 & = & 21.643 \\ x_1 & +0.786x_3 & -0.071y_2 & +0.214y_3 & -0.143y_4 & = & 2.214 \\ x_2 & -0.929x_3 & +0.357y_2 & -0.071y_3 & +0.714y_4 & = & 0.929 \\ y_1 & +0.500x_3 & & & -0.500y_4 & = & 1.500 \end{array}$$

- (a) The optimal LP solution is $x_1 = 2.214$, $x_2 = 0.929$, $y_1 = 1.5$ and $x_3 = y_2 = y_3 = y_4 = 0$. Use the equations where x_1 and x_2 are basic to derive two Gomory mixed integer cuts.
- (b) The coefficients in the above optimal simplex tableau are rounded to three decimal places. Discuss how this may affect the validity of the GMI cuts you generated above.
3. Give a polyhedron $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ that has:
- $\dim(P) = -1$;
 - $\dim(P) = 0$;
 - $\dim(P) = 1$;
 - $\dim(P) = 2$.
4. Construct a polyhedron $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ (that is *not* of full dimension) for which a redundant inequality is facet-defining. (This is one reason why we prefer to work with full-dimensional polyhedra!)
5. Recall the wheel inequalities for stable set from Homework 3. They are defined for *wheel* graphs W_p consisting of a cycle on an odd $p-1$ number of vertices along with a “hub” vertex (labeled node 1) that is adjacent to all of the other $p-1$ nodes. (Thus p is even.) The inequalities take the form

$$\frac{p-2}{2}x_1 + \sum_{i=2}^p x_i \leq \frac{p-2}{2}. \quad (1)$$

- Rigorously prove that the stable set polytope $\text{STAB}(G)$ of an *arbitrary* n -vertex graph $G = (V, E)$ is full-dimensional. I want to see your $n + 1$ points and a complete proof that they are affinely independent.
- Prove that the wheel inequality (1) induces a facet of $\text{STAB}(W_p)$ —when p is even—directly using the definition of a facet-defining inequality. You can assume that the inequality is valid, since that was covered on Homework 3.
- Prove that the wheel inequality (1) induces a facet of $\text{STAB}(W_p)$ —when p is even—using lifting arguments. Be sure to identify the *seed* inequality (and quickly argue why it is valid for the restricted polytope), identify the variable that you are lifting, and *explicitly* state the lifting problem.