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## Part I

## Matlab and Computational Assignment

## 1 MaxCut

## 1.1 Petersen Graph

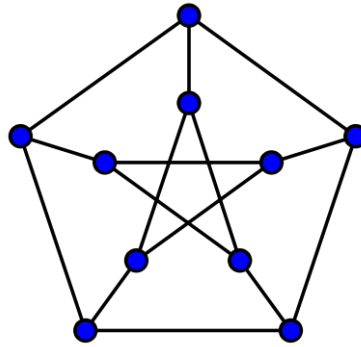


Figure 1: Petersen Graph

## 1.2 Planar Graph I

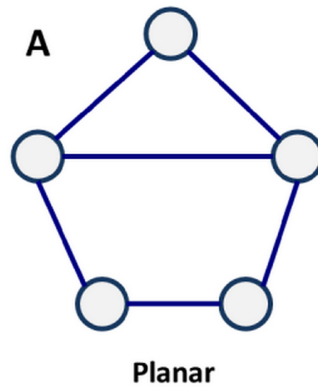


Figure 2: Planar Graph I

## 1.3 Planar Graph II

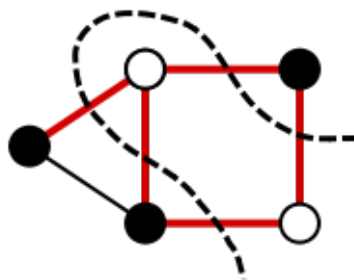


Figure 3: Planar Graph II

## Part II

# Written Assignment

## 1 Network Congestion Control

### 1.1 Problem Formulation

The overall system problem – to maximize utility minus cost – can be formulated as a convex optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{s \in S} U_s(x_s) - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) \\ & \text{subject to} && Hy = x, Ay \leq f \\ & \text{over} && x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

### 1.2 Problem Decoupling

Lagrangian:

$$L(x, y; \lambda, \mu) = \sum_{s \in S} U_s(x_s) - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) - \lambda^T(x - Hy) + \mu^T(f - Ay - z) \tag{2}$$

$$= \sum_{s \in S} (U_s(x_s) - \lambda_s x_s) - \sum_{r \in R} y_r (\lambda_{s(r)} - \sum_{j \in r} \mu_j) + \sum_{j \in J} \mu_j (f_j - z_j) - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) \tag{3}$$

where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are lagrange multipliers.

According to optimality conditions

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_s} = U'_s(x_s) - \lambda_s \tag{4}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial y_r} = \lambda_{s(r)} - \sum_{j \in r} \mu_j \tag{5}$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial z_j} = -\mu_j \tag{6}$$

$$\lambda \geq U'_s(x_s), Hy = x, (\lambda - U'(x))^x = 0 \tag{7}$$

$$\mu \geq 0, Ax \leq C, \mu^T(C - Ax) = 0 \tag{8}$$

$$\lambda^T H \leq \mu^T A, y \geq 0, (\mu^T A - \lambda^T H)y = 0 \tag{9}$$

$USER_s(U_s; \lambda_s)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{s \in S} U_s(x_s) - \lambda_s x_s \\ & \text{subject to} && x_s \geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

$NETWORK(H, F; \lambda)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{maximize} && \sum_{s \in S} \lambda_s x_s - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) \\ & \text{subject to} && Hy = x, Ay \leq f \\ & \text{over} && x, y \geq 0 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

**Theorem 1.** *There exists a price vector  $\lambda = (\lambda_s, s \in S)$  such that the vector  $x = (x_s, s \in S)$ , formed from the unique solution  $x_s$  to  $USER_s(U_s; \lambda_s)$  for each  $s \in S$ , solves  $NETWORK(H, A, C; \lambda)$ . The vector  $x$  then also solves  $SYSTEM(U, H, A, f)$ .*

*Proof.* First note that  $USER_s(U_s; \lambda_s)$  has unique solution for each  $s$ . Then we observe that the lagrangian form for  $NETWORK(H, F; \lambda)$  is

$$L(x, y; \lambda, \mu) = \sum_{s \in S} U_s(x_s) - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) - p^T(x - Hy) + q^T(f - Ay - z) \quad (12)$$

$$= \sum_{s \in S} (U_s(x_s) - p_s x_s) - \sum_{r \in R} y_r (p_{s(r)} - \sum_{j \in r} q_j) + \sum_{j \in J} q_j (f_j - z_j) - \sum_{j \in J} C_j(f_j) \quad (13)$$

Hence, any quadruple  $(\lambda, \mu, x, y)$ , which satisfies optimality of  $??-??$  (solution of  $SYSTEM$ ) identifies  $p = \lambda$  and  $q = \mu$ , which establish that  $(x, y)$  solves  $NETWORK(H, F; \lambda)$ .

Conversely, for any solution  $x$  to  $NETWORK(H, F; \lambda)$ , then exists a  $p$  and  $q$ , where  $x_s \geq 0$  then  $p_s = \lambda_s$  and if  $x_s = 0$ , then  $p_s \geq \lambda_s$ . Thus if  $x_s$  solves  $USER_s(U_s; \lambda_s)$ , then it also solves  $USER_s(U_s; p_s)$ . Based on  $p$  and  $q$ , we can then construct a quadruple that satisfies optimality of  $??-??$ . This quadruple gives  $x$  that solves  $SYSTEM(U, H, A, f)$ .  $\square$

## 2 Problem 7.12

### 3 Problem 7.13

## A Codes Printout

### A.1 SDP-relaxation for MaxCut