

### Homework #3:

1. Max?

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \quad x_1 \geq -4 \\ \textcircled{2} \quad x_1 \leq 4 \\ \textcircled{3} \quad x_2 \geq -4 \\ \textcircled{4} \quad x_2 \leq 4 \\ \textcircled{5} \quad x_1 + x_2 \leq 6 \\ \textcircled{6} \quad x_1 + x_2 \geq -6 \\ \textcircled{7} \quad x_1 - x_2 \leq 6 \\ \textcircled{8} \quad x_1 - x_2 \geq -6 \end{array}$$

$$\textcircled{2} + \textcircled{8} = (-2, 4) \quad \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{3} = (0, 2)$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{5} = (2, 4) \quad \textcircled{4} + \textcircled{7} = (4, 2)$$

$$\textcircled{4} + \textcircled{6} = (2, -4) \quad \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{7} = (-2, -4)$$

$$\textcircled{5} + \textcircled{7} = (4, 2) \quad \textcircled{6} + \textcircled{8} = (-4, -2)$$

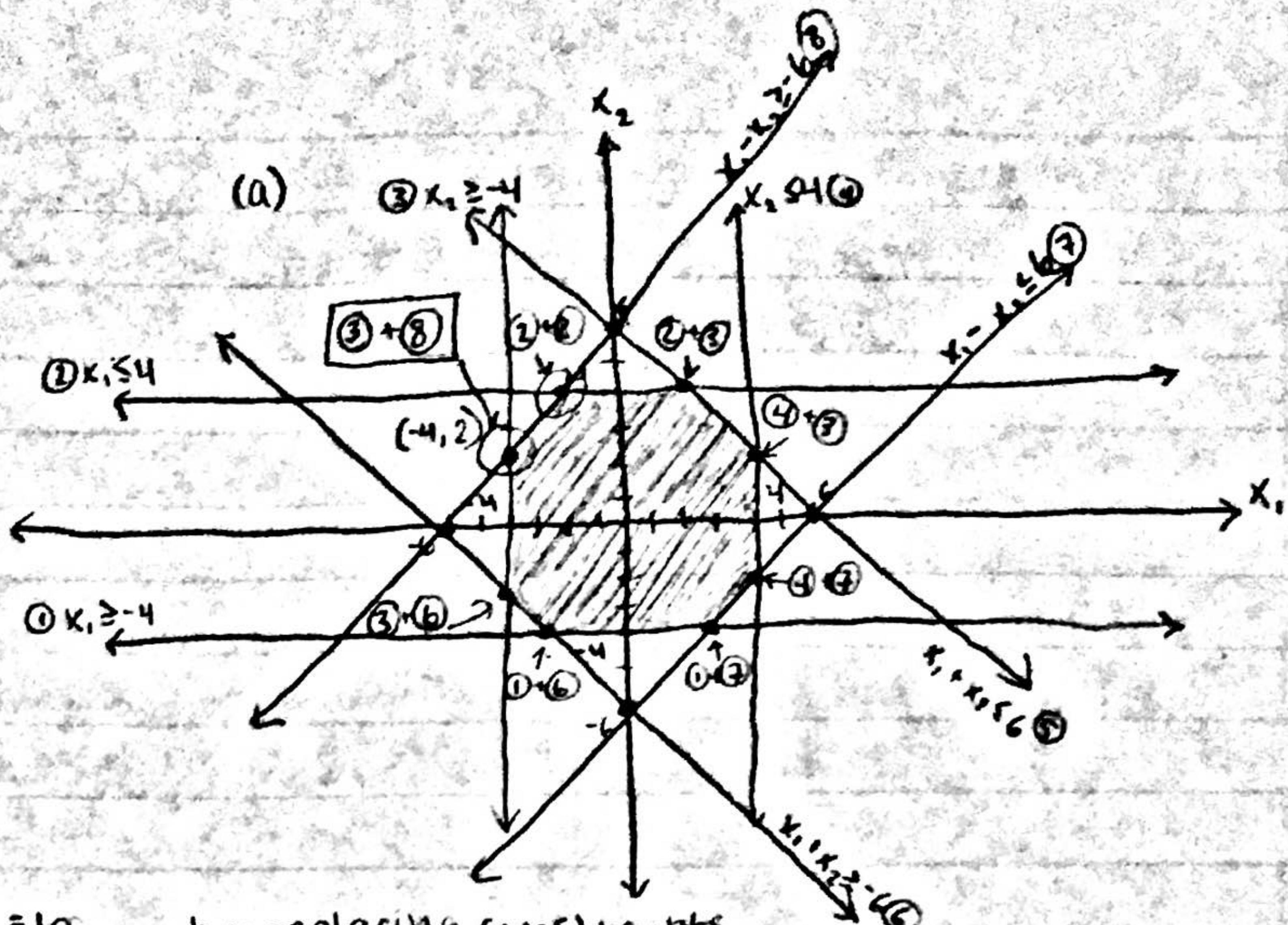
$$\textcircled{6} + \textcircled{7} = (-2, 2) \quad \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{6} = (-2, 4)$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{6} = (0, 2) \quad \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{7} = (4, -2)$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{7} = (4, 0) \quad \textcircled{4} + \textcircled{8} = (0, -6)$$

$$\textcircled{5} + \textcircled{8} = (0, 6) \quad \textcircled{2} + \textcircled{6} = (-4, 0)$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{8} = (-4, 2) \quad \textcircled{1} + \textcircled{5} = (0, 6)$$



$$(b) (-4, 2) \rightarrow -2(-4) + 2 = 10 \quad \dots \text{try replacing constraints to get adjacent points}$$

$$\textcircled{2} + \textcircled{8} = (-2, 4) \quad (-2) + 4 = 8$$

$$\textcircled{2} + \textcircled{3} = (2, 4) \quad (2) + 4 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{4} + \textcircled{3} = (4, 2) \quad (4) + 2 = -6$$

$$\textcircled{4} + \textcircled{7} = (4, -2) \quad (4) - 2 = -10$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{7} = (2, -4) \quad (2) - 4 = -8$$

$$\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{6} = (-2, -4) \quad (2) - 4 = 0$$

$$\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{6} = (-4, -2) \quad (-4) - 2 = 6$$

$$\text{So objective function} = \boxed{\max -2x_1 + x_2}$$

(c) line segment between (-4, 2) and (0, 2)

... so between  $\textcircled{3} + \textcircled{8}$  and  $\textcircled{1} + \textcircled{3}$

$$(-1)(-4) + 2 = 6, (-1)(-2) + 4 = 6$$

$$\text{So objective function} = \boxed{\max -x_1 + x_2}$$

$$(2, 4) \rightarrow (-1)(2) + 4 = 2 \quad (2, -4) \rightarrow (-1)(2) - 4 = -6$$

$$(4, 2) \rightarrow (-1)(4) + 2 = -2 \quad (-2, -4) \rightarrow (-1)(-2) - 4 = -2$$

$$(4, -2) \rightarrow (-1)(4) - 2 = -6 \quad (-4, -2) \rightarrow (-1)(-4) - 2 = 2$$

2. LP with 5 variables and m linear constraints in canonical form

→ polynomial time algo

$O(5!m)$

- let 5 variables be  $x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5$

- m linear constraints

- and an objective function (let be max of  $c \cdot x$ )

→ so, we iterate through each constraint one-by-one in order to find the optimal solution

→ when evaluating mth constraint:

if current optimal solution satisfies the constraint, solution is still optimal

else if current optimal solution does NOT satisfy constraint  
then the optimal solution will be transformed to be on the constraint's face

in other words, this can be solved by graphing the feasible region, adding in the constraints one-by-one and finding the optimal solution to the constraints so far

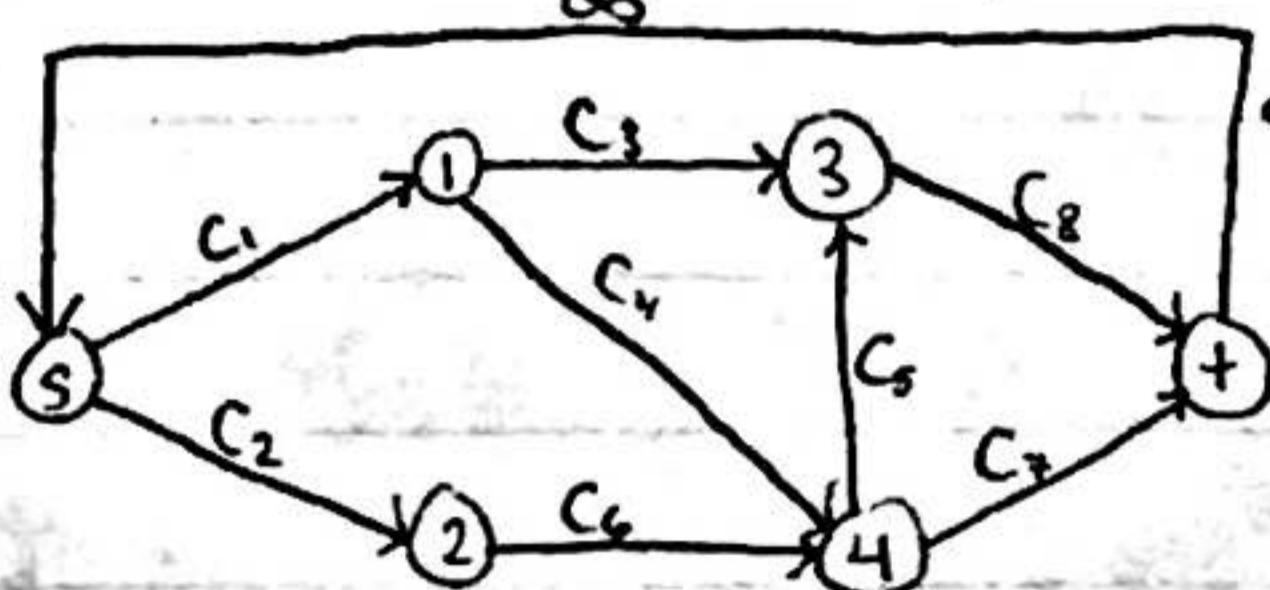
But how can we show this is a polytime algorithm?

The run time of this algo is  $O(m)$  because there are  $m$  constraints to evaluate, each taking  $O(1)$  time

3. flow network  $G = (V, E)$  s.t.  $\{c_e\}_{e \in E}$ , budget  $K$  for increasing capacities

(we are allowed to increase the capacities of edges as long as the sum of the amounts added to the capacities is at most  $K$ )

let  $G$  be



let this be  $c_9$  (Let the flow be  $f_{ts}$ )

$$c_9 = c_1 + c_2$$

$c_8 + c_7 = c_9$  (therefore we are trying to maximize the flow on  $c_9$ )

$$\max f_{ts}$$

$$\text{s.t. } f^{in}(v) - f^{out}(v) = 0 \quad \forall v \neq s, t$$

$$f_{uv} \leq c_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$f_{uv} + x_{uv} \leq c_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$\sum_{u, v \in E} x_{uv} \leq K \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$f_{uv} \geq 0$$

$$x_{uv} \geq 0$$

$$c_{uv} \geq 0$$

let the amount we are increasing each capacity be denoted by  $x_{uv}$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{u: (u, v) \in E} f_{uv} - \sum_{w: (v, w) \in E} f_{vw} = 0 \quad \forall v \in V (v \neq s, v \neq t)$$

So...

$$\text{vars: } f_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$c_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$x_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$K$$

$$\max: f_{ts}$$

$$\text{s.t.: } \sum_{u: (u, v) \in E} f_{uv} - \sum_{w: (v, w) \in E} f_{vw} = 0 \quad \forall v \in V (v \neq s, v \neq t)$$

$$f_{uv} \leq c_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$f_{uv} + x_{uv} \leq c_{uv} \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$\sum_{u, v \in E} x_{uv} \leq K \quad \forall u, v \in E$$

$$f_{uv} \geq 0$$

$$x_{uv} \geq 0$$

$$c_{uv} \geq 0$$

$$K \geq 0$$

$$4. \text{ Max } \frac{x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + \dots + nx_n}{x_1 + \dots + x_n}$$

← explain how can be solved using  
linear programming

s.t.

$$x_1 + \dots + x_n \geq 0$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \geq 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m \quad * \text{objective function is division} \rightarrow \text{must make it linear!}$$

$$x_i \geq 0, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{Max } \frac{x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + \dots + nx_n}{x_1 + \dots + x_n}$$

s.t.

$$x_1 + \dots + x_n \leq 0$$

$$(a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \geq 0)$$

$$(a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \geq 0)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$(a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + a_{m3}x_3 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \geq 0)$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n \geq 0$$

so if we let  $z = x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + \dots + x_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$  and let  $y_i = \frac{x_i}{z}$  then we can represent the problem as follows...

$$\text{Max } y_1 + 2y_2 + 3y_3 + \dots + ny_n$$

s.t.

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} y_j \geq 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = 1$$

$$y_i \geq 0 \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$5. \max \sum_{P \in P} x_P \quad \leftarrow \text{sum of all paths}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{P: e \in P} x_P \leq c_e \quad \forall e \in E \quad \leftarrow \text{the sum of all paths } P \text{ containing } e \text{ are at most } c_e$$

$$x_P \geq 0 \quad \forall P \in P \quad \leftarrow \text{all paths are non-negative}$$

when  $\sum_{P: e \in P}$  means that the sum is over all paths  $P$  that contain the edge  $e$

(a) Why the following linear program solves the Max-flow problem?

First of all, the objective function is trying to maximize the sum of all the paths. This is exactly what the max-flow problem is seeking to find as the flow of the graph is equal to the sum of the flow going through all the paths (and the max-flow is obviously seeking to maximize this). The second constraint is just noting that the flow of each path is non-negative. Finally, the first constraint is saying that the sum of all paths containing edge  $e$  are at most  $c_e$  (the capacity of edge  $e$ ).

This is upholding the rules of a flow network given the capacity of each edge because the flow going through edge  $e$  must be less than or equal to the capacity of this edge. Furthermore, the total flow passing through the edge  $e$  must be equal to the sum of the flow of all the paths that pass through this edge. Therefore, the sum of the flow of all the paths  $P$  that contain the edge  $e$  ( $\sum_{P: e \in P} x_P$ ) must be less than or equal to the capacity of  $e$  ( $c_e$ ) for all edges in the graph. This explains why this linear program solves the Max-flow problem.

(b) Write the dual of the above linear program

$$\max \sum_{P \in P} x_P$$

$$\text{s.t. } \left( \sum_{P: e \in P} x_P \leq c_e \right) \forall e \in E$$

$$x_P \geq 0 \quad \forall P \in P$$

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vars:  $V \in E, y_e$

$$\min: \sum_{e \in E} c_e y_e$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{e \in P} y_e \geq 1 \quad \forall P \in P$$

$$y_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e \in E$$

(c) Again... vars:  $\forall e \in E \quad y_e$

$$\min: \sum_{e \in E} c_e y_e$$

$$\text{s.t.: } \sum_{e \in P} y_e \geq 1 \quad \forall P \in \mathcal{P}$$

$$y_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e \in E$$

- prove every s-t cut provides a feasible solution to the dual linear program s.t. value of dual linear program equals the capacity of the cut (thus, the solution to the dual LP is  $\leq \text{cap of min-cut}$ )

this is saying that assigning a weight to each edge s.t. each s-t path is of a "distance" of at least 1 ... which can help us with min-cut.

$\sum_{e \in E} c_e y_e$  ... if we let  $y_e = 1$  if  $e$  is in the s-t cut (so let  $e = uv$  s.t.  $u \in A$  and  $v \in B$ ) and if  $e$  is not in the s-t cut we let  $y_e = 0$

therefore:  $\sum_{e \in E} c_e y_e = \sum_{e \in \text{st-cut}} c_e$  which equals the capacity of said s-t cut!

b. Complementary slackness to show  $x_1^* = x_2^* = 0.5$ ,  $x_3^* = x_4^* = 0$ ,  $x_5^* = 2$  is optimal!

$$\max 3.1x_1 + 10x_2 + 8x_3 - 45.2x_4 + 18x_5$$

$$\text{s.t. } (x_1 + x_2 + x_3 - x_4 + 2x_5 \leq 5) * y_1 \quad (1)$$

$$(2x_1 - 4x_2 + 1.2x_3 + 2x_4 + 7x_5 \leq 16) * y_2 \quad (2) \text{ *slack}$$

$$(x_1 + x_2 - 3x_3 - x_4 - 10x_5 \leq -20) * y_3 \quad (3) \text{ *slack}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (3x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 + \frac{3}{2}x_4 + \frac{7}{3}x_5 \leq 10) * y_4 \quad (4) \text{ *slack, where is the slack? } \rightarrow 2, 3, +4 \\ & + (x_2 + x_3 + 6x_4 + 2x_5 \leq 4.5) * y_5 \quad (5) \text{ constraints} \\ & + (2x_2 - x_4 + x_5 \leq 2) * y_6 \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

$$x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5 \geq 0$$

$$y_2^* = 0$$

$$y_3^* = 0$$

$$y_4^* = 0$$

$$\min 5y_1 + 16y_2 - 20y_3 + 10y_4 + 4.5y_5 + 2y_6$$

$$y_1 + 2y_2 + y_3 + 3y_4 \geq 3.1$$

$$y_2 - 4y_3 + y_4 + y_5 + 2y_6 \geq 10$$

$$y_1 + 1.2y_2 - 3y_3 + 3y_4 + y_5 \geq 8$$

$$-y_1 + 2y_2 - y_3 + \frac{3}{2}y_4 + 6y_5 - y_6 \geq -45.2$$

$$2y_1 + 7y_2 - 10y_3 + \frac{7}{3}y_4 + 2y_5 + y_6 \geq 18$$

$$y_1, y_2, y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6 \geq 0$$

\*note:  $x_1^*, x_2^*, x_3^*, x_5^* \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{NO slack in } 1^{\text{st}}, 3^{\text{rd}}, + 5^{\text{th}} \text{ constraints in the dual}$

$$y_1^* = 3.1$$

$$\text{so... } y_1^* = 3.1$$

$$y_1^* + y_5^* + 2y_6^* \geq 10$$

$$y_2^* = 0$$

$$y_1^* + y_5^* = 8$$

$$\rightarrow y_5^* = 4.9$$

$$y_3^* = 0$$

$$-y_1^* + 6y_5^* - y_6^* \geq -45.2$$

$$y_4^* = 0$$

$$2y_1^* + 2y_5^* + y_6^* = 18 \rightarrow (6.2) + (9.8) \cdot y_6^* = 18$$

$$y_6^* = 4.9$$

$$y_1^*, y_2^*, y_3^*, y_4^*, y_5^*, y_6^* \geq 0$$

$$y_2^* = 2$$

$$y_6^* = 2$$

this is a feasible solution to the dual

$$5(3.1) + 16(0) - 20(0) + 10(0) + 4.5(4.9) + 2(2)$$

$15.5 + 22.05 + 4 = 41.55 \leftarrow \text{this is the cost of the dual}$

$$3.1(0.5) + 10(0) + 8(0.5) - 45.2(0) + 18(2)$$

$1.55 + 4 + 36 = 41.55 \leftarrow \text{this is the cost of the primal}$

$\Rightarrow \text{weak duality says that } 41.55 \text{ is optimal!}$

\*cost dual = cost primal

7. there are  $m$  raw materials and  $n$  mixtures, each composed of different proportions of these raw materials

for each  $1 \leq i \leq n, m$  numbers  $a_{1i}, a_{2i}, \dots, a_{mi} \in [0, 1]$

→  $a_{ij}$  fraction of the  $i$ -th mixture is from the raw material  $j$   
( $m$  numbers add up to 1)

$u_i = \max_{j=1}^m a_{ij} - \min_{j=1}^m a_{ij}$  is the unbalancedness of the  $i$ -th mixture

prompt asks to explain how to solve using linear program

(rather than formulate as linear program)

( $x_i$  is how much of one mixture we want in our new one) ← so if  $x_i$  is 0.5  $\Rightarrow$  50% of new mix is of originally mix

( $u_i$  corresponds to how unbalanced a mixture is (where 0 is perfectly balanced))

→  $u_i$  is just a linear transformation for  $x_i \Rightarrow \min u_i * x_i$

→ minimize the amount of unbalancedness (we want to have bigger fractions for the balanced  $u_i$  (closer to 0))