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MATH 3802 Assignment #2:

① let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Is A totally unimodular? Justify your answer:

[I] — We note that given positive integers m & n , a matrix $A \in \mathbb{Z}^{m \times n}$ is said to be totally unimodular if every square submatrix of A has determinant 0, 1, or -1.

— We see that A is a 3×3 matrix, thus the square-submatrices are of dimensions 1×1 , 2×2 , & 3×3 . This leaves us w/ the following submatrices:

1×1 :

$$[1], [0], [1], [-1], [1], [-1], [0], [1], [0]$$

2×2 :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3×3 :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

— We know that:

1×1 : Det = # in matrix

Since all matrices are from 1, 0, -1, this satisfies [I]

2×2 : Det = $ad - bc$ where $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 1, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -1,$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = 0, \text{ this satisfies [I]}$$

3×3 : We can find the determinant as follows

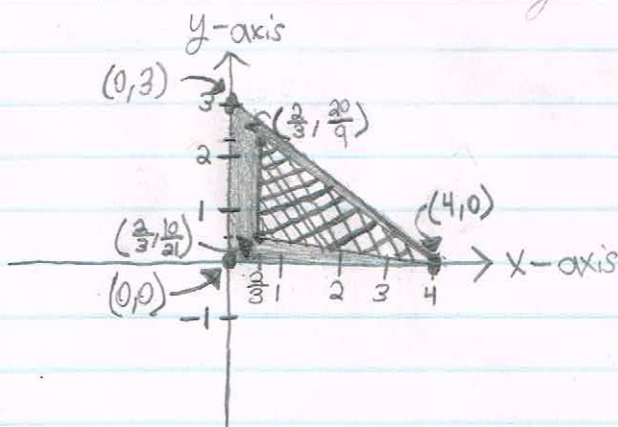
$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (1)^2(-1) - (1)^2(-1) = -1 - (-1) = 0, \text{ this satisfies [I]}$$

thus, as all square-submatrices of A have Determinants of 1, 0, -1, we can conclude that A is totally unimodular.

- ② (3 points) Given a Polyhedron $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$, let P_I denote the convex hull of $P \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$. Suppose that $P = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 2x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 8, x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 4, 3x_1 \geq 2 \right\}$. Give a sketch of both P & P_I on the same set of axes:

This can be converted to the following:



Intersects:

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 8, x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 4, 3x_1 \geq 2 \quad [2x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 8 \text{ thus } -2x_1 - 3x_2 \geq -8]$$

I) let $3x_1 \geq 2$ be $x_1 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ So that $x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 4$ is:

$$\frac{2}{3} + 7x_2 \geq 4 \rightarrow 7x_2 \geq \frac{10}{3} \rightarrow x_2 \geq \frac{10}{21}$$

thus: $x_1 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ & $x_2 \geq \frac{10}{21}$

II) let $x_1 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ & $2x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 8$ so $3x_2 \leq 8 - 2(\frac{2}{3})$

$$3x_2 \leq \frac{20}{3} \text{ & } x_2 \leq \frac{20}{9}$$

thus: $x_1 \geq \frac{2}{3}$ & $x_2 \leq \frac{20}{9}$

III) let $2x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 8$ & $x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 4$ so $-x_1 - 7x_2 \leq -4$:

$$x_1 \leq 4 - \frac{3}{2}x_2 \text{ thus } -(4 - \frac{3}{2}x_2) - 7x_2 \leq -4$$

$$-4 + \frac{3}{2}x_2 - 7x_2 \leq -4$$

$$\frac{3}{2}x_2 - \frac{7}{2}x_2 \leq 0$$

$$3x_2 - 7x_2 \leq 0$$

$$-4x_2 \leq 0 \text{ thus } x_2 \geq 0$$

Since $x_2 \geq 0$ then $x_1 + 7x_2 \geq 4$ is $x_1 \geq 4 - 7x_2$:

$$x_1 \geq 4 - 0 \rightarrow x_1 \geq 4$$

thus, boundary points lie at $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 10/21 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 20/9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

As all of P must be in P_I , & P_I is of Integers, we know that we must take the value of all vertices in P 's triangle to include all P in P_I :

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{20}{9} \right) \rightarrow (0, 3)$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{10}{21} \right) \rightarrow (0, 0)$$

$$(4, 0) \rightarrow (4, 0)$$

Note: the fraction values in P must be adjusted such that the point in P_I is moved away from P 's vertex

③ Let $G = (N, A)$ be a directed graph such that N contains distinct nodes r, s & $A \subseteq N \times N$. Let $c \in \mathbb{R}^A$. We call $y \in \mathbb{R}^N$ a potential if $y_w - y_u \leq c_{uw}$. We define the cost of an r - v dipath P , where $v \in N$, to be $\sum_{e \in P} c_e$.

a) (1 Point) Prove that if y is a potential & P is an r - s dipath, then the cost of P is at least $y_s - y_r$:

- $y_w - y_u \leq c_{uw}$ as y is a potential (for $y \in \mathbb{R}^N$)
- the cost of P is $\sum_{e \in P} c_e$, since P is an r - s dipath ($s \in N$) the cost to move from r to s is $\sum_{e \in P} c_e$:

$c_i + c_j + c_k + \dots = c_{rs}$, where i, j, k, \dots are e 's along the path from r to s .

this is because c_{rs} is the cost from r to s

So, $\sum_{e \in P} c_e = c_{rs}$

We note that:

$y_s - y_r \leq c_{rs}$ by the definition of y being a potential

thus, as $\sum_{e \in P} c_e$ is c_{rs} , we see:

$$y_s - y_r \leq c_{rs} = \sum_{e \in P} c_e$$

So, P is at least $y_s - y_r$

b) (1 Point) Prove that no potential exists if there exists a dicycle C such that $\sum_{e \in C} c_e < 0$:

Suppose the following G exists:



then $\sum_{e \in C} c_e = -2 - 3 = -5$

Yet, we see that: $-3 - (-2) = -1 \not\leq -5$. Thus, it follows no potential exists.

We can follow this logic to see that $y_s - y_r$ results in a value greater than $\sum_{e \in C} c_e$ since: (let us assume that the statement is true)

if $y_s - y_r \leq c_{rs}$ & $c_{rs} < 0$ then $y_s + y_r$ is negative

Ⓘ If $|y_r| > |y_s|$ then $y_s - y_r \not\leq 0$

Ⓜ If $|y_r| < |y_s|$ & $y_r < 0$ then $y_s - y_r > \sum_{e \in C} c_e$ (contradicts $y_s - y_r \leq c_{rs}$)

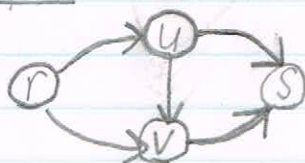
Ⓘ Contradicts the given $\sum_{e \in C} c_e > 0$ & Ⓜ Contradicts the definition of potential

↳ **∴ It is False by Contradiction**

c) (1 Point) Write down a linear programming problem whose dual problem is :

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & y_s - y_r \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_v - y_u \leq C_{uv} \quad \forall uv \in A \end{aligned}$$

Example Graph:



We can formulate the following: (As a concrete example)

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & y_s - y_r \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_u - y_r \leq C_{ru} \\ & y_v - y_r \leq C_{rv} \\ & y_v - y_u \leq C_{uv} \\ & y_s - y_u \leq C_{us} \\ & y_s - y_v \leq C_{vs} \\ & y_s, y_r, y_u, y_v \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow thus dual is

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & C_{ru}x_{ru} + C_{rv}x_{rv} + C_{uv}x_{uv} + C_{us}x_{us} \\ & + C_{vs}x_{vs} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_{us} + x_{vs} = 1 \quad : y_s \\ & -x_{ru} - x_{rv} = -1 \quad : y_r \\ & x_{ru} - x_{uv} - x_{us} = 0 \quad : y_u \\ & x_{rv} + x_{uv} - x_{vs} = 0 \quad : y_v \\ & x_{us}, x_{rv}, x_{uv}, x_{us}, x_{vs} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

thus, we converted the program to:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum C_{uv}x_{uv} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \sum C_{sr} \sum x_{sr} \geq d \quad \forall sr \in N \end{aligned}$$

Where d is a vector such that $d_s = 1, d_r = -1$, & $d_u = 0$ for all u NOT Equal to s or r .