

$$C_j' < \min\{C_j^0, C_j^{\sigma}\} \text{ and } C_k' = \max\{C_j^0, C_k^{\sigma}\}.$$

Hence, the sum of the two completion times decreases by rescheduling the two jobs in SRPT order, which means σ is not optimal.

Therefore, any optimal schedule must be an SRPT schedule.

Note, there may be more than one SRPT schedule, but all have the same value.

Algo. Step 1: Construct a preemptive schedule by SRPT rule. Let C_j^P be the completion time of j in this schedule. Relabel the jobs s.t. $C_1^P \leq C_2^P \leq \dots \leq C_n^P$.

Step 2: For $j=1=n$, schedule the job j non-preemptive and as early as possible after C_j . Denote the schedule by σ^N and let C_j^N be the completion time of job j in this schedule.

Theorem 4.1 The algo. above is a 2-approximation algo.

Proof We have some observations

$$1) p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_j \leq C_j^P.$$

2) In the final schedule, between time C_j^P and C_j^N there is no idle time.

3) In the final schedule, between time C_j^P and C_j^N there are only jobs $k \leq j$.

$$\rightarrow C_j^N \leq C_j^P + \sum_{k \leq j} p_k \leq C_j^P + C_j^P = 2C_j^P$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Algo.} = \sum_j C_j^N \leq 2 \sum_j C_j^P \leq 2 \text{OPT.}$$

4.2 Weighted sum of completion times.

Notation: For any set of jobs $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, denote $p(S) = \sum_{j \in S} p_j$

Lemma: For any feasible schedule and for any set of jobs $S \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

$$\sum_{j \in S} p_j C_j \geq \frac{1}{2} p(S)^2$$



$$C_k \geq C_j + p_k \quad \text{OR.}$$

$$C_j \geq C_k + p_j$$

Proof: Let $S = \{1, \dots, k\}$. Then,

$$p_1 C_1 = p_1 p_1$$

$$p_2 C_2 = p_2 (p_1 + p_2)$$

$$p_3 C_3 = p_3 (p_1 + p_2 + p_3)$$

$$\dots$$

$$p_k C_k = p_k (p_1 + p_2 + \dots + p_k)$$

$$\sum_j p_j C_j = \frac{1}{2} (p_1 + \dots + p_k)^2 + \frac{1}{2} [(p_1)^2 + (p_2)^2 + \dots + (p_k)^2]$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2} (p_1 + \dots + p_k)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} p(S)^2$$

$$(LP) \min Z = \sum_{j=1}^n w_j C_j$$

$$\text{s.t. } C_j \geq r_j + p_j \quad \forall \text{ jobs } j.$$

$$\sum_{j \in S} p_j C_j \geq \frac{1}{2} p(S)^2 \quad \forall S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\} \quad (\text{Note: } 2^n \text{ set}).$$

Algo. Step 1: Solve LP.

Step 2: Schedule the jobs non-preemptively and as early as possible in the order $1, 2, \dots, n$.

Theorem 4.2 The algo. above is a 3-approximation algo.

Proof 1. Polynomial: using the Ellipsoid Algo., the LP can be solved in polynomial time.

2. Feasible: As early as possible, so not before release time.

3. Ratio: Denote C_j^* : the completion time of job j in LP solution.

C_j^N : the completion time of job j in the final schedule

Observations 1:

$$1) r_j \leq C_j^*$$

2) In the final schedule, between time r_j and C_j^N , there is no idle time.

3) In the final schedule, before time C_j^N , there are only jobs $k \leq j$.

$$\rightarrow C_j^N \leq r_j + \sum_j p_j \leq C_j^* + \sum_j p_j = C_j^* + p(S), \quad j \in S.$$

Observation 2:

$$\frac{1}{2} p(S) \stackrel{\text{From LP constraint}}{\leq} \sum_{k \in S} p_k C_k^* \leq \sum_{k \in S} p_k C_j^* = C_j^* p(S) \Rightarrow p(S) \leq 2 C_j^*$$

From observation 1&2:

$$C_j^N \leq 3 C_j^*. \text{ Thus } \sum_j w_j C_j^N \leq 3 \sum_j w_j C_j^* = 3 Z_{LP}^* \leq 3 \text{OPT.}$$

4.3 Prize-collecting Steiner Tree.

Instance: $G = (V, E)$ and a cost c_e for every edge $e \in E$ and a penalty π_i for every vertex $i \in V$. Also given is a root $r \in V$.

Solution: Tree T containing r . Let $V(T)$ be the vertices in T

$$\text{Cost: } \sum_{e \in T} c_e + \sum_{i \in V - V(T)} \pi_i$$

Goal: Find a solution of minimum cost.

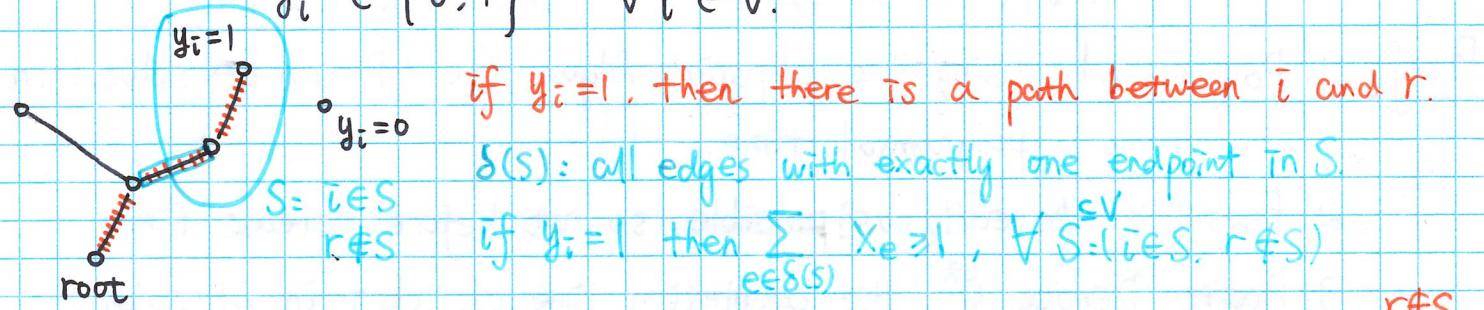
$$(\text{ILP}) \min Z = \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e + \sum_{i \in V} \pi_i (1 - y_i)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{e \in \delta(S)} x_e \geq y_i \quad \text{for all } i, S \text{ with } i \in S \subseteq V - r$$

$$y_r = 1 \quad \text{root in tree}$$

$$x_e \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$y_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in V$$



① if i in tree, then there is at least one edge $e \in \delta(S), \forall S \subseteq V, i \in S$.

Algo. Step 0: Let $\alpha \in [0, 1]$

Step 1: Solve LP $\rightarrow x^*, y^*, Z^*$.

Step 2: Let $U = \{i \mid y_i^* \geq \alpha\}$. Construct a Steiner tree T on U .

Lemma 1. The connection cost for the Steiner tree T is $\sum_{e \in T} c_e \leq \frac{2}{\alpha} \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e^*$

Skip the proof.

Lemma 2. The total penalty cost is $\sum_{i \in V - V(T)} \pi_i \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \sum_{i \in V} (1 - y_i^*) \pi_i$.

Proof: If vertex i is not in the tree T , then $i \notin U$ and $y_i^* < \alpha$,

which implies that $(1 - y_i^*) / (1 - \alpha) > 1$.

The total penalty cost is

$$\sum_{i \in V - V(T)} \pi_i \leq \sum_{i \notin U} \pi_i \leq \sum_{i \notin U} \frac{1 - y_i^*}{1 - \alpha} \pi_i = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \sum_{i \notin U} (1 - y_i^*) \pi_i \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \sum_{i \in V} (1 - y_i^*) \pi_i$$

Theorem 4.3 The algo. above with $\alpha = 2/3$ is a 3-approximation algo.

Proof: The sum of connection and penalty cost is at most

$$\frac{2}{\alpha} \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e^* + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \sum_{i \in V} (1 - y_i^*) \pi_i \leq \max\left\{\frac{2}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{1-\alpha}\right\} Z^*$$

The minimized max value $\max\left\{\frac{2}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{1-\alpha}\right\}$ is 3 for $\alpha = 2/3$.

Therefore, the total cost of solution of the algo. is at most $3 Z^* \leq 3 \text{OPT}$.

4.4. Uncapacitated facility location.

Instance: Set of point F (facilities) and set of points D (clients). Opening cost f_i for each $i \in F$ and connection cost (assignment cost) c_{ij} for each pair $i \in F, j \in D$. The connection cost is assumed to be metric.

Solution: $F' \subseteq F$

$$\text{Cost: } \sum_{i \in F'} f_i + \sum_{j \in D} \min_{i \in F'} c_{ij}$$

Goal: Find the solution of minimum cost.

$$(\text{ILP}) \min Z = \sum_{i \in F} f_i y_i + \sum_{i \in F, j \in D} c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{i \in F} x_{ij} = 1 \quad \forall j \in D \quad \text{each client connects to a facility.}$$

$$x_{ij} \leq y_i \quad \forall i \in F, j \in D \quad \text{client only connects to the open facilities}$$

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in F, j \in D \quad | \text{if connected}$$

$$y_i \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i \in F \quad | \text{if open.}$$

(D) $\max Z = \sum_{j \in D} v_j$ most trivial lower bound is to ignore the facility cost entirely: $f_i = 0$. The opt is to open all facilities and assign each client to its nearest facility: if we set $v_j = \min_{i \in F} c_{ij}$, then this lower bound is $\sum_{j \in D} v_j$.

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_{j \in D} w_{ij} \leq f_i \quad \forall i \in F \quad \text{each client to its nearest facility: if we set } w_{ij} = \text{client } j \text{'s contribution to opening facility } i$$

$$v_j \leq c_{ij} + w_{ij} \quad v_j - w_{ij} \leq c_{ij} \quad \forall i \in F, j \in D \quad \text{the total cost of opening facility } i \text{ is at least the total contribution from every client to opening facility } i.$$

$w_{ij} \geq 0 \quad \forall i \in F, j \in D$ v_j is free the total payment by client j is at most the sum of the contribution it makes to opening facility i and the distance it has to travel to i .

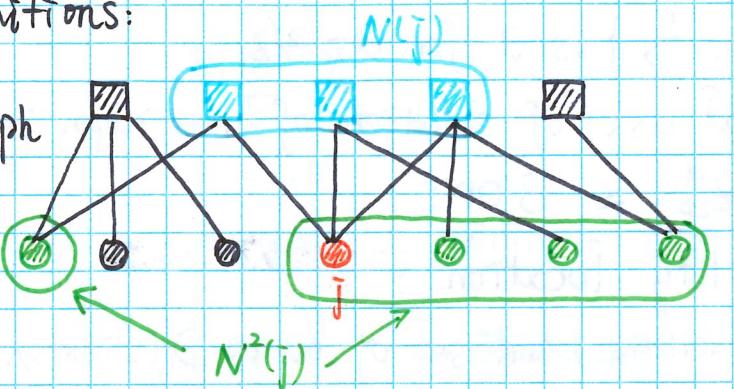
Let x^*, y^* be an optimal primal solution to LP-relaxation and v^*, w^* be an optimal dual solution. By weak duality, $\sum_{j \in D} v_j \leq Z^* \leq \text{OPT}$.

Lemma If $x_{ij}^* > 0$, then $C_{ij} = V_j^* - W_{ij}^* \leq C_{ij} \cdot V_j^*$

Proof By complementary slackness, $x_{ij}^* > 0$ implies $V_j^* - W_{ij}^* = C_{ij}$. Since $W_{ij}^* \geq 0$, we have that $C_{ij} \leq V_j^*$.

Some definitions:

Support graph



Algo. For $k=1, 2, \dots$ until all clients are connected do:

Step 1: Among the unconnected clients, choose client j_k with the smallest value $V_{j_k}^*$.

Step 2: Choose facility $i_k \in N(j_k)$ with the smallest value f_{i_k} .

Step 3: Connect all still unconnected clients in $N^2(j_k)$ to facility i_k .

Theorem 4.4 The algo. above is a 4-approximation algo. for UFL.

Proof: The opening cost for each opened facility i_k is

$$f_{i_k} \stackrel{\textcircled{1}}{=} f_{i_k} \sum_{j \in N(i_k)} x_{ij}^* \stackrel{\textcircled{2}}{\leq} \sum_{j \in N(i_k)} f_i x_{ij}^* \stackrel{\textcircled{3}}{\leq} \sum_{j \in N(i_k)} f_i y_i^*$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ LP-constraint: } \sum_{i \in F} x_{ij} = 1, \forall j \in D$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ The choice of } i_k \text{ as the cheapest facility in } F_k$$

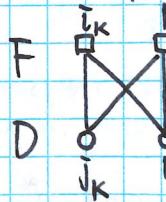
$$\textcircled{3} \text{ LP-constraint: } x_{ij} \leq y_{ij}, \forall i \in F, j \in D.$$

The total opening cost is

$$\sum_k f_{i_k} \leq \sum_k \sum_{j \in N(i_k)} f_i y_i^* \stackrel{\textcircled{4}}{\leq} \sum_{i \in F} f_i y_i^* \leq Z_{LP}^* \leq OPT.$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{ } N(j_k) \text{ partition } F: \text{ in Step 3, } N(j_k) \cap N(j_{k'}) = \emptyset \text{ for any pair } j_k, j_{k'}$$

Consider an unassigned client $l \in N^2(j)$ to facility i_k where client l neighbors facility h that neighbors client j_k .



The connection cost is

$$\begin{aligned} C_{il} &\stackrel{\textcircled{5}}{\leq} C_{i_l j_k} + C_{j_k l} + C_{hl} \\ &\stackrel{\textcircled{6}}{=} V_{j_k}^* + V_{j_k}^* + V_l^* \\ &\stackrel{\textcircled{7}}{\leq} 3V_l^* \end{aligned}$$

$\textcircled{5}$ triangle inequality

$\textcircled{6}$ Lemma: complementary slackness

$\textcircled{7} V_{j_k}^* \leq V_l^*$. Note, both l & j_k were unassigned when j_k was chosen in step 1.

The total connection cost is at most

$$3 \sum_{i \in D} V_i^* = 3 \bar{Z}_D^* \leq 3 \bar{Z}_{LP}^* \leq 3OPT.$$

Therefore, we conclude that the sum of opening and connection cost is at most $OPT + 3OPT = 4OPT$.

Chapter 5. Random sampling and randomized rounding of LPs.

To show that a randomized algo. is an α -approximation algo., we need to show three things:

1. The algo. runs in polynomial time.
2. The algo. always produces a feasible solution.
3. The expected value is within a factor α of the value of an optimal solution.

5.1 Max Sat and Max cut.

SAT (satisfiability problem): Is there a True/False assignment s.t. all clauses are st satisfied?

Maximum SAT: Maximize the # of satisfied clauses.

Algo. Set all variables independently to true with probability $1/2$.

Theorem 5.1 The algo. above is a $1/2$ -approximation algo.

Proof: Let l_j be the # of literals in clause j .

$$\text{Then, } \Pr(C_j \text{ is satisfied}) = 1 - (1/2)^{l_j} \geq \frac{1}{2}$$

Let W be the total # of satisfied clauses.

$$\text{Then, } E(W) = \sum_{j=1}^m \Pr(C_j \text{ is satisfied}) \geq \frac{1}{2} m \geq \frac{1}{2} OPT.$$

Remark: If each clause contains at least k literals then from the proof above we see that the approximation guarantee is at least $1 - (1/2)^k$.

Max Cut

Instance : Gp Graph $G=(V, E)$

Solution : $U \subseteq V$

Value : Total number of edges between U and $W = V - U$

Goal : Maximize value

