Bus lines, multilines approach

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1 Formalism

1.1 Network definition

Let $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E})$ be a oriented graph and \mathbf{A} its adjacency matrix, representing a multimodal transportation network between $|\mathcal{V}| = n$ stops and possessing l lines. Each stop belong to only one line, i.e. $\mathcal{V} = \bigcup_{k=1}^l \mathcal{V}_k$ and $\bigcap_{k=1}^l \mathcal{V}_k = \emptyset$, where \mathcal{V}_k represents the set of nodes in line k. The edge set \mathcal{E} , can also be decomposed with $\mathcal{E} = \left(\bigcup_{k=1}^l \mathcal{E}_k\right) \cup \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{trsf}}$, where \mathcal{E}_k contains edges connecting node inside transportation line k, and $\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{trsf}}$ contains edges permitting transfer between different transportation lines. We suppose that edges belong to only a unique set, i.e. $\mathbf{A} = \sum_{k=1}^l \mathbf{A}_k + \mathbf{A}_{\mathrm{trsf}}$, and there are an uniquely define route inside lines, i.e. $a_{i\bullet}^k \leq 1$ and $a_{i\bullet}^{\bullet} \leq 1 \forall i,k$. Transfer edges also define a subset of nodes $\mathcal{V}_{\mathrm{f}} \subset \mathcal{V}$, containing $\mathit{free}\ nodes$, i.e. nodes connected to a transfer edge. We have $i \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathrm{f}} \iff a_{i\bullet}^{\mathrm{trsf}} + a_{\bullet i}^{\mathrm{trsf}} > 0$.

1.2 Problem definition

Suppose that we possess two *n*-length vectors $\mathbf{x}_{in} = (x_i^{in})$ and $\mathbf{y}_{out} = (y_i^{out})$, representing respectively the flow entering the network at stop i and going out of the network at stop i.