

OM-M20-08: More on LP Relaxation

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Graph Problems (Revisit)

Maximum weight bipartite matching Given a bipartite graph $G(V,E)$ with $|X| = |Y|$

$$\max \sum_{e \in E} w_e x_e \quad \text{Subject to}$$

$$\sum_{v \in e} x_v = 1 \forall v \in V; x_v \in \{0, 1\} \forall v \in V$$

Min Vertex Cover Find $\min |V'|$, $V' \subset V$ such that $\forall (u, v) \in e, e \in E$, either $u \in V'$ or $v \in V'$ or both.

$$\min \sum_{v \in V} x_v \quad \text{Subject to}$$

$$x_u + x_v \geq 1 \forall (u, v) \in E; x_v \in \{0, 1\}$$

Maximum Independent Set $\max_{v \in V} x_v$ such that

$$x_u + x_v \leq 1 \forall (u, v) \in E, x_v \in \{0, 1\}$$

ie Maximum size set such that no two vertices in it are connected by an edge.

Rounding for Other Two Problems

- **Minimum Vertex Cover**

$$S_{LP} = \{v \in V \mid x_v^* \geq \frac{1}{2}\}$$

$$|S_{LP}| = \sum_{v \in S_{LP}} 1 \leq \sum_{v \in S_{LP}} 2 \cdot x_v^* \leq \sum_{v \in V} 2 \cdot x_v^* \leq 2 \sum_{v \in V} y_v = 2|S_{OPT}| \quad (1)$$

Therefore,

$$|S_{OPT}| \leq |S_{LP}| \leq 2|S_{OPT}| \quad (2)$$

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- **Maximum Independent Set**

- No useful bounds !!

LP Relaxation for 2 machines

- Two machines and J jobs. d_{ij} is the time for job j to run on machine i . We know the max time is the time taken by the machine ends last.

$\min_{t, x_{ij}} t; \text{ Subject to}$

$$\sum_j x_{ij} d_{ij} \leq t \forall i \in M$$

$$\sum_i x_{ij} = 1 \forall j \in J; x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$$

- Only one job will get split. **Why?** Let s be the job that gets split. We assign s to m_1 if $x_{1s} > x_{2s}$ otherwise, assign to m_2 .
- If this leads to T_{approx} and T^* is the optimal solution then $T_{approx} \leq 2T^*$

$$T_{approx} \leq T' + T_s \text{ and } T' \leq T^*, T_s \leq T^*$$

$$T_{approx} \leq 2T^*$$

Where T' be optimal solytion before assigning s to one.

When does an LP Lead to Integer Solution?

- Note 1: The constraints of $Ax \leq b$ can be converted to $A'x = b$ with additional variables.
- **Definition:** A matrix is Totally unimodular (TU) if all its square submatrices have a determinant in $\{-1, 0, 1\}$
- Note 2: If A is TU, $A' = [A, I]$ is also TU.
- If A is TU and b is integral, LP gives integral solutions.

When does an LP Lead to Integer Solution?

for BPG, A is TU

Consider a matrix A ($|V| \times |E|$). A has only two 1 in every column.
We can prove by Induction. Sketch.

- Q is 1×1 . Q is TU Why?
- If sub-matrices of $(I - 1) \times (I - 1)$ are TU, Q then Q of $I \times I$ is also TU. **Why?**
 - Q has a column of no 1
 - Q has a column of one 1
 - All columns of Q have two 1s

Numerical Example