

TSP Miller-Tucker-Zemlin

* $x_{i,j} := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{path goes from city } i \text{ to } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ $c(i,j)$: cost of the travel from city i to city j .

* u_i where $1 \leq i \leq n$, u_i is a dummy variable

$$\min: \sum_{1 \leq i \neq j \leq n} c(i,j) x_{i,j} \quad u_i \in \mathbb{Z} \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

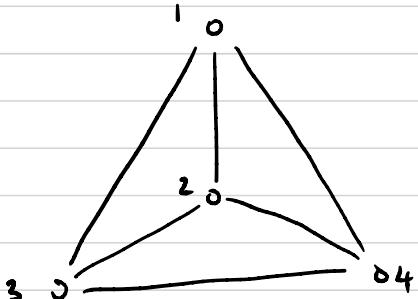
$$* u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n - 1 \quad \forall 2 \leq i \neq j \leq n$$

$$* \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^n x_{i,j} = 1 \quad * \sum_{j=1, i \neq j}^n x_{i,j} = 1 \quad * 0 \leq u_i \leq n - 1 \quad \forall 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$\min: \sum_e (c_e x_e : e \in E) \text{ s.t. } x(\delta(v)) = 2 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$x(\delta(S)) \geq 2 \quad \forall \emptyset \neq S \neq V$$

$$0 \leq x_e \leq 1 \quad \forall e \in E$$



$$u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n-1 \Leftrightarrow 1 + u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n$$

$$\forall 2 \leq i \neq j \leq n \quad 1 + u_i - u_j + n(x_{i,j} - 1) \leq 0$$

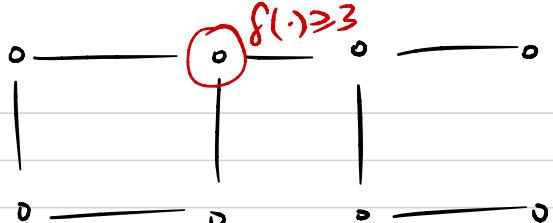
$$n(x_{i,j} - 1) \leq u_j - u_i - 1$$

$$(u_2 - u_3) + (u_3 - u_4) + \dots + (u_{k-1} - u_k) + n(x_{2,3} + x_{3,4} + \dots + x_{k-1,k}) \leq (n-1)*k \Rightarrow (k-1) + kn \leq (n-1)*k$$

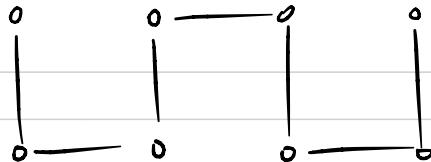
$$k(n-1) \leq (n-1)*k$$

$$u_i = \begin{cases} t & \text{if "i" is visited at step } i \\ \text{free} & \end{cases}$$

This is saying, \forall path in the solution, with length k , must have $k-1$ edges in it.



Not correct



A path in this solution, with length k , it has $k-1$ edges in it.

consider a sub-cycle involving u_2

Name cycle C .

Consider all paths in C , any length of k :

$$(u_2 - u_k) + \sum_{e \in C \cap P} x_e \leq (n-1)*k \text{ true } \forall k$$

This case, $\forall 2 \leq i \leq k$, u_i is fixed, but there will be multiple solutions.

if $f(C) \neq \emptyset$, then we are at the same vertex 2 times,
 if $f(C) = \emptyset$, the graph unconnected.

Consider a permutation of $[n]$, name it P , and indexed by i .

$P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow P_3 \dots \rightarrow P_n \rightarrow P_1$ It's a valid tour of vertex.

$$x_{P_1, P_2} = x_{P_2, P_3} = x_{P_3, P_4} = \dots = x_{P_{n-1}, P_n} = x_{P_n, P_1} = 1$$

The magical constraint is: $u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n - 1$

$$u_i - u_j \leq n - n x_{i,j} - 1$$

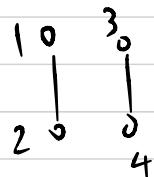
$$u_i - u_j \leq n(1 - x_{i,j}) - 1$$

$$\text{Then } x_{i,j} = 1 \Rightarrow u_i - u_j \leq -1$$

$$\Rightarrow u_j - u_i \geq 1$$

$$x_{i,j} = 0 \Rightarrow u_i - u_j \leq n - 1$$

If valid tour, the constraint is satisfied



$$x_{1,2} = 1$$

$$x_{3,4} = 1$$

$$u_2 - u_3 + u_3 - u_4 + 4(x_{2,3} + x_{3,4}) \leq 2(3)$$

$$u_3 - u_4 + 4 \leq 3$$

$$u_3 - u_4 \leq -1$$

$$\Rightarrow u_2 - u_3 + u_3 - u_4 \leq 2$$

$$u_2 - u_4 \leq 2$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n - 1 \quad \forall 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Consider any T-junction

$$\begin{array}{c} i \circ - l \circ - k \\ \downarrow \\ j \end{array} \quad \text{then } x_{i,k} = 1 \vee x_{k,i} = 1$$
$$x_{l,j} = 1 \vee x_{j,l} = 1$$
$$x_{l,k} = 1 \vee x_{k,l} = 1$$

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WLOG, Assume: $x_{i,l} = x_{l,j} = 1$ (Rotate graph to get different cases)

$$u_i - u_l \leq -1 \Rightarrow u_l - u_i = 1 \text{ because } \forall 2 \leq i \leq n: u_i \in \mathbb{Z}$$
$$u_l - u_j \leq -1 \Rightarrow u_j - u_l = 1 \text{ and the assumption } \textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_l - u_k + n x_{l,k} \leq n - 1 \text{ with } x_{l,k} = 1 \vee x_{k,l} = 1 \\ u_k - u_l + n x_{k,l} \leq n - 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Assume $x_{l,k} = 1$

$$u_l - u_k \leq -1 \Rightarrow u_k - u_l \geq 1$$

$$u_l = 1 + u_i$$

$$u_j = 2 + u_i$$

$$u_k - (1 + u_i) \geq 1$$

$$u_k - u_i \geq 2$$

LP is phrased as following:

$$x_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{path goes from } i \text{ to } j \text{ at some point} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\min \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} C(i,j) x_{i,j} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \text{Constraint \#1} \quad \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^n x_{i,j} = 1 \quad \forall 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Dummy Variable

$$u_i : \forall 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$0 \leq u_i \leq n-1 \quad \forall 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$\text{Constraint \#2} \quad \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n x_{i,j} = 1 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$$

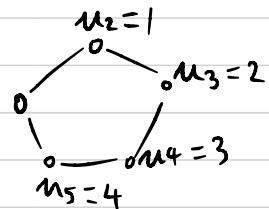
$$\text{Constraint \#3} \quad u_i - u_j + n x_{i,j} \leq n-1 \quad \forall 2 \leq i \neq j \leq n$$

$$\text{Constraint \#4} \quad 0 \leq u_i \leq n-1$$

$$u_i = t$$

means vertex i has been visited at step i of the algorithm

U_i : the vertex that starts and end the tour with.



Proof (or at least I tried)

prove that a valid solution, a tour satisfies the constraint.

Consider the solution G , which is a cycle, and any path $P \subseteq G$ and P contains V_1 .

Consider : $\forall e = (i, j) \in P : u_i - u_j + n \chi_{i,j} \leq n - 1$

* Then summing up $\sum_{i \neq 1} (e = (i, j) \in P : u_i - u_j) + n (\sum_{e \in P} \chi_e) \leq k(n-1)$
all of them,

assuming P has
 k edges then it's equal to:

$$u_2 - u_k + n(k) \leq k(n-1)$$

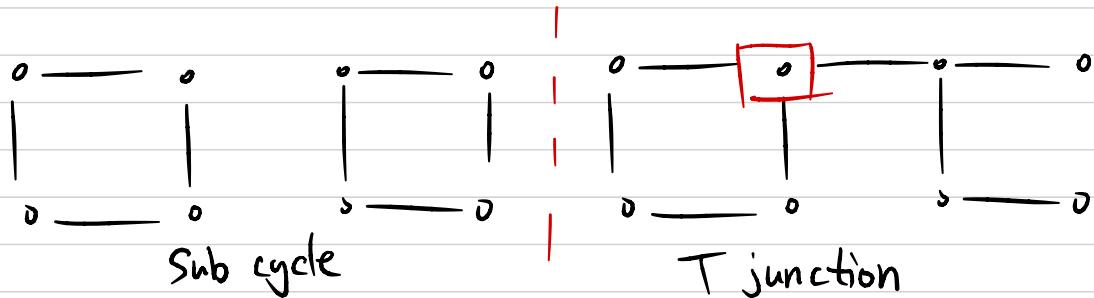
which is true for all k ,

inductively, $u_i - u_{i+1} = -1$, hence the solution
for dummy variable will be: $u_2 - u_k = (k-1)$

then $k(n-1) \leq k(n-1)$ □

If a solution is not Valid (Not a tour) then the constraint is not satisfied.

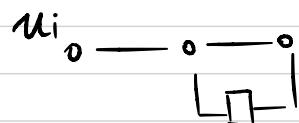
Assume constraint #1, #2 are satisfied, here is some non-trivial examples that are not a tour and satisfies the constraints:



$$u_2 \quad u_3 \quad u_4 \quad u_5 \quad u_6$$

$u_3 - u_2 = 1$
but edges involve is 5
then $-1 + 6 \times 5 \leq (5) \times 5$
 $29 \leq 25$

Constraints #3 prevents Tea spoon configuration (Results will always be a path)



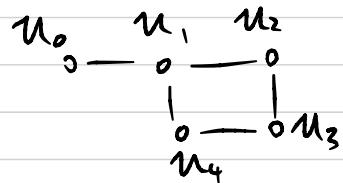
this config is prevented.

Say path length is k

$P_i, P_{i+1} \dots P_{i+k}$

but one of the vertex repeated.

let's see a non-trivial example, which can be generalized easily.



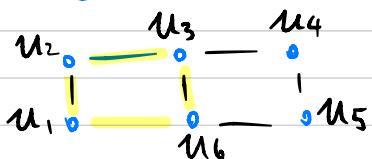
$$(u_0 - u_1) + (u_1 - u_2) + (u_2 - u_3) + (u_3 - u_4) + (u_4 - u_1)$$

$$\Rightarrow u_0 - u_1 = -1$$

but then $k(x_{ij})$ will be 5×5
and $k(n-1)$ is $5 \times (5-1) = 20$

$24 \leq 20$ is FALSE

Double cycle configuration



$$u_2 - u_2 = 0$$



oh No...
kinda hard.

if any sub cycle exists, say this one:

$$\begin{array}{c} u_i \\ \textcircled{0} \\ | \\ \textcircled{0} \\ u_{i+1} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} u_i - u_i = 0 \text{ cycle sum} \\ n \sum_{\text{REP}} x_e = 4 \times 4 = 16 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} u_{i+3} \\ \textcircled{0} \\ | \\ \textcircled{0} \\ u_{i+2} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} n(n-1) = 4 \times 3 = 12 \\ 16 \leq 12 \text{ is false} \end{array}$$