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LARSON—OPER 731—HOMEWORK h16

Test 2 Review

Concepts For each concept, give a **definition** and an **example**.

1. What is *complementary slackness*?
2. What is a *vertex packing* (*independent set*) in a graph?
3. How can we model finding a maximum vertex packing in a graph with an IP (What is the *vertex packing IP*?)
4. What is the *set cover* problem?
5. What is the relationship between the vertex cover problem and the vertex packing problem?
6. What is the *cone* of vectors $a^{(1)}, a^{(2)}, \dots, a^{(k)}$ in \mathbb{R}^n .
7. What is a *directed graph*?
8. What is the vertex-arc incidence matrix of a directed graph?
9. What is a *totally unimodular matrix*?
10. Why is the vertex-edge incidence matrix of a directed graph totally unimodular?
11. What is an *s-t flow* in a directed graph with non-negative edge capacities?
12. What is the *value* of a flow?
13. What is a *matroid*?

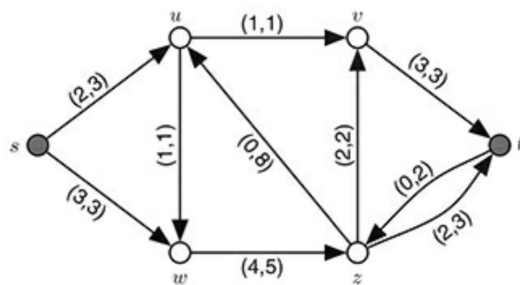
Theorems. State and Prove the following theorems.

14. What is the *Complementary Slackness Theorem*?
15. What is *Farkas's Lemma*?

Problems Explain everything. As scientists it is never enough to write answers. They must be communicated—convincingly—to others.

16. (a) What is an example of a minimum cost perfect matching problem?
(b) Model the problem as an IP.
(c) Find its dual and interpret its *meaning*.
(d) Given a dual feasible y , what is the *reduced cost* of an edge?
(e) Given a minimum cost perfect matching IP and dual feasible y , explain why an optimal solution of the IP with reduced cost edges is an optimal solution of the original IP.

17. (a) Find the dual for following (primal) optimization problem:
- $$\begin{aligned} &\max (5, 3, 5)x \\ &\text{subject to:} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x \leq \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &x \geq \mathbb{0} \end{aligned}$$
- (b) What are the complementary slackness conditions for an optimal solution to this primal-dual pair?
- (c) Check that $\bar{x} = (1, -1, 1)^T$ is primal-feasible and $\bar{y} = (0, 2, 1)^T$ is dual-feasible.
- (d) Check that \bar{x} and \bar{y} are optimal by verifying the complementary slackness conditions.
18. Find the cone of vectors $a^{(1)} = (2, -1)^T$, $a^{(2)} = (3, 1)^T$, $a^{(3)} = (2, 1)^T$ in \mathbb{R}^2 .
19. (a) Check that $\bar{x} = (2, 1)^T$ is feasible for the linear program:
- $$\begin{aligned} &\max \left(\frac{3}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)x \\ &\text{subject to:} \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x \leq \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &x \geq \mathbb{0} \end{aligned}$$
- (b) Identify which constraints are tight for \bar{x} . Let $J(\bar{x})$ be the corresponding row indices.
- (c) What is the *cone of tight constraints* for \bar{x} for polyhedron $(P) = \{x : Ax \leq b\}$ in this example?
20. Let \bar{x} be a feasible solution to $\max\{c^T x : Ax \leq b\}$. **Show:** \bar{x} is optimal if and only if and only if c is in the cone of tight constraints for \bar{x} .



21. (a) The first numbers on each edge are flow values and the second numbers are edge capacities. Do the flow values indicate a valid flow? What is the value of this flow?
- (b) Can you find a flow with a larger value in this network? If not, prove that this flow is maximum?
- (c) What is an *s-t cut*? What is the *capacity* of an *s-t cut*?
- (d) Find a minimum cut in this network. Prove that it is minimum.
22. (**Show:**). If a max-flow problem has integer capacities and an optimal solution, then there is an optimal *integer flow*.