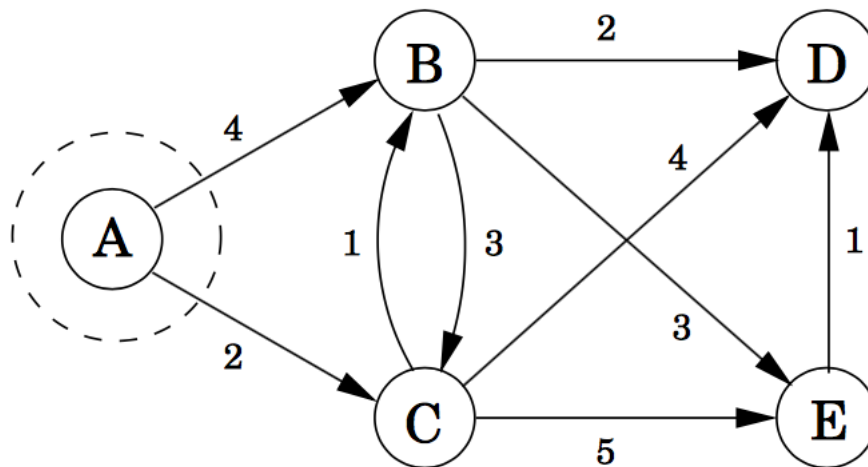


The problems for this assignment will use the following graph,  $G$



### Problem 1

Here is an optimal solution vector,  $X$  for the primal LP for shortest paths from  $A$  to  $E$  in  $G$ :

$(x_{AB}, x_{AC}, x_{BC}, x_{CB}, x_{BD}, x_{BE}, x_{CD}, x_{CE}, x_{ED}) = (0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)$  Yielding an optimal value of 6.

### Problem 2

Here is an optimal solution vector,  $\pi$ , for the dual LP for shortest paths from  $A$  to  $E$  in  $G$ :

$(\pi_A, \pi_B, \pi_C, \pi_D, \pi_E) = (0, 3, 2, 5, 6)$  Yielding an optimal value of 6.

### Problem 3

**Lemma 1.** *The dual solution  $\pi$  above is optimal.*

*I'm doing the first two for turn-in 14, but what's to stop me from just doing this for turn-in 15? I'm not sure what it is you're looking for here.*

*Proof (long form).*

1. We know from solving the primal that the optimal value for the length of the shortest path from  $A$  to  $E$  in  $G$  is 6.
2. By the definition of strong duality, since we found a solution to the dual with the same optimal value, this must be the optimal solution.
3. QED.

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