



Combinatorics everywhere







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in an optimal solution...

- is item j selected? $x_j \in \{0, 1\}$
- is item j associated to item i? $y_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$
- is non-negative x greater than a? $x \ge ay, y \in \{0, 1\}$

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- is constraint *c* satisfied ?



Integer Knapsack Problem

Input n items, value c_j and weight w_j for each item j, capacity K. Output a maximum value subset of items whose total weight does not

items whose total weight does n exceed K.



x_j is item j packed ?

logic with binaries

- either x or y x + y = 1
- if x then y
- if x then $f \le a$ $f \le ax + M(1-x)$ "big M"

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- at most 1 out of n
- at least k out of n
- $x_1 + \dots + x_n \le 1$ $x_1 + \dots + x_n \ge k$

 $y \ge x$



Uncapacitated Facility Location Problem

Input n facility locations, m customers, cost c_j to open facility j, cost d_{ij} to serve customer i from facility j Output a mimimum (opening and service) cost assignment of customers to facilities.

x; is location j open ? y; is, customer i served from j ?





1||Cmax Scheduling Problem

Input n tasks, duration pi for each task i, one machine Output a minimal makespan schedule of the tasks on the machine without overlap

x_{ij} does i precede j ? s_j starting time of j





non-linear functions







Special Ordered Set of type 1: <u>ordered</u> set of variables, all zero except at most one



Special Ordered Set of type 2: ordered set of variables, all zero except at most two consecutive



is $x=a_i$? (then $\lambda_i a_i + \lambda_{i+1} a_{i+1}$ in $[a_i, a_{i+1}]$ if $\lambda_i + \lambda_{i+1} = 1$)





K-median clustering

Input n data points, distance d_{ii} Output k centers minimizing the

is j a center ? \mathbf{x}_{ij} is j the⁵ nearest center of i ?



 $x_i = 5$

to order is the 5th item to count 5 items are selected to measure time task i starts at time 5 to measure space item i is located on floor 5

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Interlu

 $\simeq \delta_{i5} = 1$

Binary Integer Linear Program (BIP)
Integer Linear Program (IP)
Zn{0,1}nMixed Integer Linear Program (MIP)Zn U Qn



Market Split Problem

Input 1 company, 2 divisions, m products with availabilities d_j , n retailers with demands a_{ij} in each product j.

Output an assignment of the retailers to the divisions approaching a 50/50 production split.

Interlude







MIPLIB markshare_5_0

Int Opt = 1
Solution time = 20 minute
Proof time = > 1 hour

MIPLIB markshare_5_0

[:-/Documents/Code/gurobi]\$ gurobi.sh mymip.py markshare_5_0.mps.gz Changed value of parameter Presolve to 0 Prev: -1 Min: -1 Max: 2 Default: -1 Optimize a model with 5 rows, 45 columns and 203 nonzeros Found heuristic solution: objective 5335 Variable types: 5 continuous, 40 integer (40 binary) Root relaxation: objective 0.0000000e+00, 15 iterations 0.00 econds Current Node **Objective Bounds** Work Nodes Obj Depth IntInf | Incumbent BestBd Expl Unexpl | Gap | It/Node Time 0.00000 0 5 5335.00000 0.00000 100% 85 0.00000 100% 2.1 12415 *62706364 28044 38 1.0000000 Explored 233848403 nodes (460515864 simplex iterations) in 3883.56 seconds Thread count was 4 (of 4 available processors) Optimal solution tound (tolerance 1.00e-04) Best objective 1.00000000000e+00, best bound 1.000000000000e+00, gap 0.0% Optimal objective 21

LP ≠ ILP



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"ILP is NP-hard: I can't solve it !"

round LP \neq ILP







Capacitated Transhipment Problem

Input digraph (V,A), demand or supply b_i at each node i, capacity h_{ij} and unit flow cost c_{ij} for each arc (i,j) Output a mimimum cost integer flow to satisfy the demand

26Xij flow on arc (i,j)



LP = ILP



LP = ILP



totally unimodular matrix

$(P) = \max\{ \ cx \mid Ax \leq b, x \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n \ \}$

- basic feasible solutions of the LP relaxation (\bar{P}) take the form: $\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_B, \bar{x}_N) = (B^{-1}b, 0)$ where B is a square submatrix of (A, I_m)
- Cramer's rule: $B^{-1} = B^*/det(B)$ where B^* is the adjoint matrix (made of products of terms of B)
- Proposition: if (P) has integral data (A, b) and if $det(B) = \pm 1$ then \bar{x} is integral

Definition

A matrix A is totally unimodular (TU) if every square submatrix has determinant +1, -1 or 0.

Proposition

If A is TU and b is integral then any optimal solution of (\overline{P}) is integral.

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Show that the **Transhipment** ILP is **ideal** Show that the **Scheduling** ILP is **NOT ideal**

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totally unimodular matrix

(practice)

How to recognize TU?

ifficient condition

A matrix \boldsymbol{A} is TU if

- \blacksquare all the coefficients are +1, -1 or 0
- each column contains at most 2 non-zero coefficient
- there exists a partition (M_1, M_2) of the set M of rows such that each column j containing two non zero coefficients satisfies $\sum_{i \in M_1} a_{ij} - \sum_{i \in M_2} a_{ij} = 0.$

Proposition

A is TU \iff A^t is TU \iff (A, I_m) is TU where A^t is the transpose matrix, I_m the identity matrix









Cut valid inequality that separates the LP solution

Farkas Lemma any cut is a linear combination of the constraints

cutting plane algorithm

1. solve the LP relaxation (P), get $x\ast$

- 2. if x* is integral, STOP
- 3. find a cut for (P,x*) from a template ${\tt T}$

templates

generic Gomory Mixed Integer, Mixed Integer Rounding, Split, Chvátal-Gomory

structural clique, cover, flow cover, zero half

problem-specific subtour elimination (TSP), odd-set (matching)

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Mixed Integer Rounding

Combining constraints, then rounding leads to valid inequalities.

Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^m_+$, then the following inequalities are valid for (P):

- surrogate: $\sum_{j=1}^{m} u_j a_{ij} x_i \leq \sum_{j=1}^{m} u_j b_j$ (since $u \geq 0$)
- round off: $\sum_{j=1}^{m} \lfloor u_j a_{ij} \rfloor x_i \leq \sum_{j=1}^{m} u_j b_j$ (since $\lfloor u_j a_{ij} \rfloor \leq u_j a_{ij}$ and x > 0)
- Chvátal-Gomory: $\sum_{j=1}^{m} \lfloor u_j a_{ij} \rfloor x_i \leq \lfloor \sum_{j=1}^{m} u_j b_j \rfloor$ (since $e \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $e \leq f$ implies that $e \leq \lfloor f \rfloor$)
- CG inequalities form a generic class of valid inequalities: they apply to any IP

Cover

Cover inequalities

 $S = \{y \in \{0,1\}^7 | 11y_1 + 6y_2 + 6y_3 + 5y_4 + 5y_5 + 4y_6 + y_7 \le 19\}$

- (y_3, y_4, y_5, y_6) is a minimal cover for $11y_1 + 6y_2 + 6y_3 + 5y_4 + 5y_5 + 4y_6 + y_7 \le 19 \text{ as } 6 + 5 + 5 + 4 > 19 \text{ then}$ $y_3 + y_4 + y_5 + y_6 \leq 3$ is a cover inequality
- we can derive a stronger valid inequality $y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 + y_6 \le 3$ by noting that y_1, y_2 has greater coefficients than any variable in the cover
- note furthermore that (y_1, y_i, y_i) is a cover $\forall i \neq j \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ then $2y_1 + y_2 + y_3 + y_4 + y_5 + y_6 \le 3$ is also valid

The procedure to get this last equality is called *lifting*









- the algorithm may stop prematurely
- the algorithm may not converge
- the algorithm may converge slowly
- the separation procedure may be NP-hard
- the LP grows
- the LP structure changes







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LP-based B&B

oracle(S) = FALSE iff either: - LP is infeasible - the fractional solution x is not better than the incumbent x* - x is integer (update x*) then prune node S

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branching



node selection which order to visit nodes ?

variable selection how to separate nodes ?

constraint branching alternative to variable branching



Best Bound First Search explore less nodes, manages larger trees Depth First Search sensible to bad decisions at or near the root DFS (up to n solutions) + BFS (to prove optimality)

variable selection



most fractional easy to implement but not better than random

strong branching best improvement among all candidates (impractical)

pseudocost branching record previous branching success for each var (inaccurate at root)

reliability branching pseudocosts initialised with strong branching



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example: GUB dichotomy

- \blacksquare if (P) contains a GUB constraint $\sum_C x_i = 1, x \in \{0,1\}^n$
- choose $C' \subseteq C$ s.t. $0 < \sum_{C'} \bar{x}_i < 1$
- \blacksquare create two child nodes by setting either $\sum_{C'} x_i = 0$ or $\sum_{C'} x_i = 1$
- enforced by fixing the variable values
- leads to more balanced search trees

SOS1 branching in a facility location problem

choose a warehouse depending on its size/cost:

 $\begin{aligned} \mathsf{COST} &= 100x_1 + 180x_2 + 320x_3 + 450x_4 + 600x_5\\ \mathsf{SIZE} &= 10x_1 + 20x_2 + 40x_3 + 60x_4 + 80x_5\\ \end{aligned}$ (SOS1) : $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 1 \end{aligned}$

let $\bar{x}_1 = 0.35$ and $\bar{x}_5 = 0.65$ in the LP solution then SIZE= 55.5

• choose $C' = \{1, 2, 3\}$ in order to model SIZE ≤ 40 or SIZE ≥ 60

modern solvers

Presolving



Domain Propagation x_1 x_2 x_1 x_2 x_2 x_2 x_2 x_2 x_3 x_3 x_3 x_3 x_4 x_4 x_4 x_4 Cutting Planes



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Slide from Martin Grötschel Co@W Berlin 2015



Parallelism

TEM SmarterCommerce Component Impact CPLEX 12.5 Summary Benchmarking setup 400 • 1769 models • 12 core Intel Xenon 2.66 GHz 350 additional timeouts • Unbiased: At least one of all the 300 5 4 3 time ratio test runs took at least 10sec 250 200150 2 100 50 Nraschief 99% 6 91% 91% 83% 93% 26% % affected

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CPLEX 12.7

Boolean Quadric Polytope (BQP) cuts

- Clique cuts
- Cover cuts
- Disjunctive cuts
- Flow cover cuts
- Flow path cuts
- Gomory fractional cuts
- Generalized upper bound (GUB) cover cuts.
- Implied bound cuts: global and local
- Lift-and-project cuts
- Mixed integer rounding (MIR) cuts
- Multi-commodity flow (MCF) cuts
- Reformulation Linearization Technique (RLT) cuts
- Zero-half cuts

GUROBI 7.5

Clique cut generation Cover cut generation Flow cover cut generation Flow path cut generation GUB cover cut generation Implied bound cut generation MIP separation cut generation MIR cut generation Strong-CG cut generation Mod-k cut generation Network cut generation Projected implied bound cut generation Sub-MIP cut generation Zero-half cut generation Infeasibility proof cut generation

reduce size

remove redundancies $x+y \le 3$, binariessubstitute variablesx+y-z=0fix variables by duality $c_j \ge 0, A_j \ge 0 \Rightarrow x=x_{min}$

fix variables by probing x=1 infeas $\Rightarrow x=0$

strengthen LP relaxation adjust bounds $2x+y \le 1$, binaries $\Rightarrow x=0$

lift coefficients $2x \cdot y \leq 1$, binaries $\Rightarrow x \cdot y \leq 1$

identify/exploit properties

detect implied integer 3x+y=7, x int \Rightarrow y int

build the conflict graph detect disconnected components remove symmetries

Preprocessing



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CliqueCubr

CoverCuts

FlowCoverCuts

FlowPathCuts

GUBCoverCuts

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StrongCGCuts

MIRCutz

ModKCuts

NetworkCuts

SubMIPCuts

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Found heuristic solution: objective 5335
Presolve time: 0.00s
Presolved: 5 rows, 45 columns, 203 nonzeros
Variable types: 0 continuous, 45 integer (40 binary)

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Root relaxation: objective 0.000000e+00, 15 iterations, 0.00 seconds

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* 99 32		34	58.0000000	0.00000	100%	2.1	0s		
H 506 214			53,0000000	0.00000	100%	1.9	0s		
H30682 442			1.0000000	1.00000	0.00%	2.1	0 s		
Cutting planes:									
Cover: 20									
Explored 30682 nodes (65348 simplex iterations) i 0.70 seconds Thread Count was for 4 available processors)									
Optimal solution found (tolerance 1.00e-04)									
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rounding LP solution • diving at some nodes local search in the incumbent neighbourhood

Primal Heuristics

accelerate the search a little appeal to the practitioner a lot

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limits

- highly heuristic (branching decisions, cut generation)
- floating-point errors and optimality tolerance (0.01%)
- generic features
- less effective on general integers (ex: scheduling)
- hard to model (and solve) non-linear structures
- NP-hard

Root relaxation: objective 0.000000e+00, 15 iterations, 0.00 seconds

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		0	0	0.0000	0	0 5		320.00000	0.00000	100%	-	0 s
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use as a heuristic

set a time limit MIPFocus=1 ImproveStartGap=0.1

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change the LP solver

if nblteration(node) ≥ nblteration(root)/2 NodeMethod=2

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Root relaxation: objective 0.000000e+00, 15 iterations, 0.00 seconds

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tighten the model

if the bound stagnates
Cuts=3
Presolve=3
model.cbCut(lhs, sense, rhs)

Root relaxation: objective 0.000000e+00, 15 iterations, 0.00 seconds

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supply a feasible solution

if built-in heuristics fail

PumpPasses,MinRelNodes,ZeroObjNodes
model.read('initSol.mst')
model.cbSetSolution(vars, newSol)

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/documentation/8.0/refman/mip models

/resources/seminars-and-videos

you know your problem better than your solver does



improve your model





Uncapacitated Lot Sizing Problem

Input n time periods, fixed production

Output a mimimum (production and



t = 1..n

t = 1..n

s.t. $s_{t-1} + x_t = d_t + s_t$ $x_t \leq M y_t$ $y_t \in \{0, 1\}$ $s_t, x_t \ge 0$ $s_0 = 0$

and t = 1, ..., n

zit production in period i to satisfy demand of period t







Bin Packing Problem

Input n containers, m items, capacity c for all containers, weight w_j for each item j Output a packing of all items in a mimimum number of containers

Bin Packing Problem







Multi 0-1 Knapsack Problem

Input n items, m bins, value c_j and weight w_j for each item j, capacity K_i for each bin i. Output a maximum value subset of items packed in the bins.





maintainability

MIP advantages

transparency

extensibility





