

APPLIED INTEGER PROGRAMMING, MODELING AND SOLUTION

CHAPTERS 14.4-14.15

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CHAPTER 14.5: LAGRANGIAN DUAL

LAGRANGIAN RELAXATION

$$\min \quad \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x}$$
$$s.t. \quad \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}_1 \quad \text{Complicated constraints.}$$
$$\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}_2 \quad \text{Easy constraints.}$$
$$\mathbf{x} \in Z_+^n$$

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So the Lagrangian relaxation optimal value can be used as a **lower bound** to the original IP. But we want a tight bound...

LAGRANGIAN DUAL PROBLEM

...and to find the largest lower bound we solve the
Lagrangian dual problem.

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$$\left(\begin{array}{l} \max_{\mathbf{u} \geq 0} \mathbf{u}\mathbf{b}_1 + \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n} (\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{u}\mathbf{A}_1)\mathbf{x} \\ s.t. \quad \mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}_2 \end{array} \right)$$

LAGRANGIAN DUAL PROBLEM

Proposition 14.8: Given a specific $\mathbf{u} \in R_+^{m_1}$, if the following two conditions are satisfied, then the optimal vector $\mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{u})$ of LRIP(\mathbf{u}) is optimal for IP:

1. $\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{u}) \geq \mathbf{b}_1$
2. $(\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x}^*(\mathbf{u}) \geq \mathbf{b}_1)_i = \mathbf{b}_{1i}$ whenever $\mathbf{u}_i > 0$

EQUALITY INSTEAD OF INEQUALITY

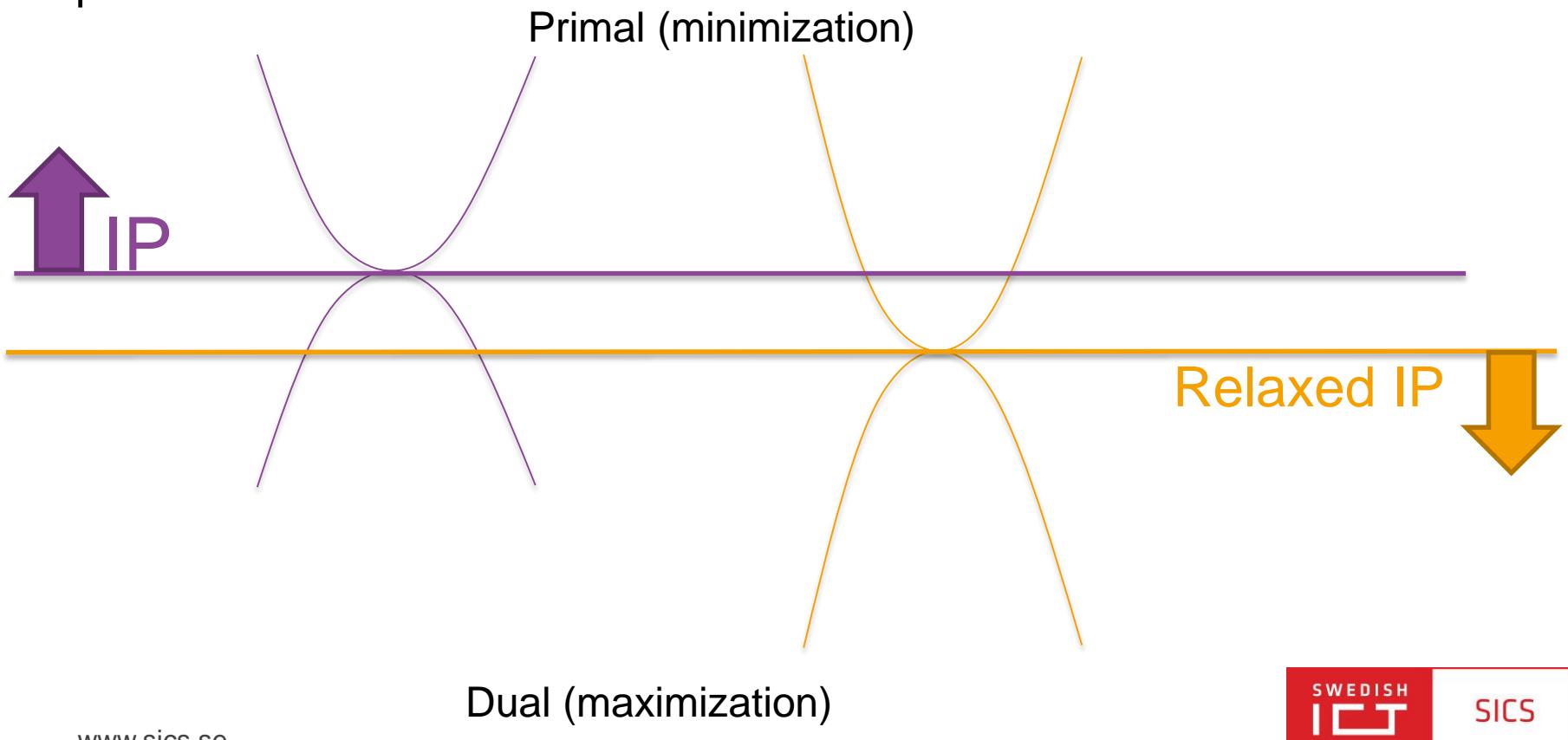
$$\begin{array}{ll}\min & \mathbf{c}\mathbf{x} \\ s.t. & \mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_1 \\ & \mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_2 \\ & \mathbf{x} \in Z_+^n\end{array}$$

No sign restriction on u !

$$\begin{array}{ll}\max_u & u\mathbf{b}_1 + \min_{x \in Z_+^n} (\mathbf{c} - u\mathbf{A}_1)\mathbf{x} \\ s.t. & \mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}_2\end{array}$$

LP DUAL OF IP

Proposition 14.5: The integer program (IP) and the dual of its linear programming relaxation (Relaxed IP) form a weak dual pair.



CHAPTER 14.6: PRIMAL –DUAL SOLUTION VIA BENDERS' PARTITIONING

PRIMAL-DUAL SOLUTION VIA BENDERS' PARTITIONING

$$\min \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{y}$$

$$s.t. \quad \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{b}_1$$

$$\mathbf{Dy} \geq \mathbf{b}_2$$

$\mathbf{x} \geq 0, \mathbf{y} \geq 0$ and integer

MIPs are hard. Let's try to partition it.

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MASTER

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \quad \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{y} + q(\mathbf{y}) \\ \text{s.t. } & \mathbf{Dy} \geq \mathbf{b}_2 \\ & \mathbf{y} \geq 0 \text{ and integer} \end{aligned}$$

SUB-PROBLEM

$$\begin{aligned} q(\mathbf{y}) = & \min \quad \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{x} \\ \text{s.t. } & \mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x} \geq \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y} \\ & \mathbf{x} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

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It'd be great if the \mathbf{y} 's weren't in the constraints of $q(\mathbf{y})$.
DUAL!

DUAL OF SUB-PROBLEM

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$$\max \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y}')$$

$$\text{s.t. } \mathbf{u} \mathbf{A}_1 \leq \mathbf{c}_1$$

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Avoid unboundedness.

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PRIMAL-DUAL SOLUTION VIA BENDERS' PARTITIONING

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Dual of sub-problem

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Master

$$\begin{aligned} & \min \quad \mathbf{c}_2\mathbf{y} + q(\mathbf{y}) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{D}\mathbf{y} \geq \mathbf{b}_2 \\ & \mathbf{y} \geq 0 \text{ and integer} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\min z$$

$$s.t. \quad z \geq \mathbf{c}_2\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{u}_i(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y}) \quad \forall i = 1 \dots T$$

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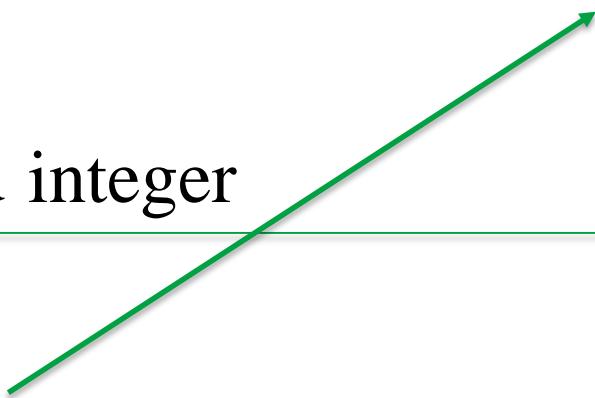
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The number of vertices (T) can be very large, so instead of solving the Master with all T , start with one and then **generate** more constraints as needed.

BENDERS' ALGORITHM FOR MIP

Step 0: Initialization

Set $t = 1, B_u = +\infty$ and select some ε (convergence criterion). Select some \mathbf{u}^1 that is feasible for the dual sub-problem.

Step 1: Solve master in iteration t

Solve the relaxed pure integer program:

$$\begin{aligned} & \min z \\ \text{s.t. } & z \geq \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{u}_i (\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y}) \quad \forall i = 1 \dots t \\ & \mathbf{Dy} \geq \mathbf{b}_2 \\ & \mathbf{y} \geq 0 \text{ and integer} \end{aligned}$$

Let z^t and \mathbf{y}^t be the solution. If z is unbounded from below, take \mathbf{y}^t to be some value that gives z^t some arbitrarily large negative value.

BENDERS' ALGORITHM FOR MIP

Step 2: Solve sub-problem in iteration t

Generate the most violated constraint of IP by solving the linear program:

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y}') \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \mathbf{u} \mathbf{A}_1 \leq \mathbf{c}_1 \\ & \mathbf{u} \mathbf{E} \leq \mathbf{M} \\ & \mathbf{u} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Let the solution of this LP be optimal value u_0^{t+1} at \mathbf{u}^{t+1} .

Step 3: Optimality check

Check convergence criterion. Set $B_u = \min\{B_u, u_0^{t+1} + \mathbf{c}_1 \mathbf{y}^t\}$. If $z^t > B_u - \varepsilon$, stop; the optimal solution has been reached. Otherwise, add the constraint $z \geq \mathbf{c}_2 \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{u}^{t+1}(\mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{y})$ to the master problem. Set $t = t + 1$. Return to step 1.