

Decomposition for Network Design

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Multicommodity capacitated fixed-charge network design

- ▶ Directed network $G = (N, A)$, with node set N and arc set A
- ▶ Commodity set K : known demand d^k between origin $O(k)$ and destination $D(k)$ for each $k \in K$
- ▶ Unit transportation cost c_{ij} on each arc (i, j)
- ▶ Capacity u_{ij} on each arc (i, j)
- ▶ Fixed charge f_{ij} incurred whenever arc (i, j) is used to transport some commodity units

Problem formulation (MCNDF)

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- ▶ $|N|$ instead of $|N|^2$, so much less variables!
- ▶ Which representation is better and why?

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- ▶ Cutset inequality

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in (S, \bar{S})} u_{ij} y_{ij} \geq d_{(S, \bar{S})}$$

- ▶ Does this inequality improve the LP relaxation lower bound?

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Flow cover/pack inequalities

- ▶ Flow cover inequality (FCI)

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in C_1} (x_{ij}^L + (b_{ij}^L - \mu)^+(1 - y_{ij})) \leq \sum_{(j,i) \in D_2} \min\{b_{ji}^L, \mu\} y_{ji} + \sum_{(j,i) \in C_2} b_{ji}^L \\ + d_{(S, \bar{S})}^L + \sum_{(j,i) \in (\bar{S}, S) \setminus C_2 \cup D_2} x_{ji}^L$$

- ▶ Flow pack inequality (FPI)

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in C_1} x_{ij}^L + \sum_{(i,j) \in D_1} (x_{ij}^L - \min\{b_{ij}^L, -\mu\} y_{ij}) \leq - \sum_{(j,i) \in C_2} (b_{ji}^L + \mu)^+(1 - y_{ji}) + \\ \sum_{(j,i) \in (\bar{S}, S) \setminus C_2} x_{ji}^L + \sum_{(i,j) \in C_1} b_{ij}^L$$

Cutting-plane method

- ▶ Starting with the weak LP relaxation, iteratively add violated valid inequalities:
 - ▶ To be more efficient: keep the problem size as small as possible
 - ▶ To be more effective: improve the lower bound
- ▶ But the black-box solver already does that, so why not simply use it?
- ▶ True, but we can be more efficient and more effective by exploiting the structure of MCNDF
- ▶ Five classes of valid inequalities:
 - ▶ Strong inequalities (SI)
 - ▶ Cover inequalities (CI)
 - ▶ Minimum cardinality inequalities (MCI)
 - ▶ Flow cover inequalities (FCI)
 - ▶ Flow pack inequalities (FPI)

Cutting-plane method: computational results

- ▶ The disaggregated commodity representation outperforms the aggregated one, even when all inequalities are generated
- ▶ Single-node cutset inequalities are almost as effective as multi-node cutset inequalities, but much faster to generate
- ▶ On instances with few commodities $O(10)$ and many nodes $O(100)$, FCI/FPI are the most effective (but costly)
- ▶ On instances with many commodities $O(100)$ and few nodes $O(10)$, SI are the most effective and fast to generate
- ▶ Cut-and-branch with CPLEX: our cutting-plane method is competitive with CPLEX own cutting-plane
 - ▶ Slower on instances with few commodities $O(10)$ and many nodes $O(100)$
 - ▶ Faster on instances with many commodities $O(100)$ and few nodes $O(10)$
- ▶ A branch-and-cut algorithm has been developed based on the same cutting-plane method

Column-and-row generation

- ▶ Extension of the cutting-plane method
- ▶ At each iteration, not all the flow variables are generated
- ▶ Flow variables are gradually added to the LP relaxation by pricing the variables:
 - ▶ Solve the restricted LP relaxation
 - ▶ Compute the reduced costs of non-generated flow variables
 - ▶ Add (some of) the variables with negative reduced costs
- ▶ The restricted LP relaxation is solved by the cutting-plane method (only SI are added)

Restricted LP relaxation

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{(i,j) \in A_+} \sum_{k \in \tilde{K}_{ij}} c_{ij} x_{ij}^k + \sum_{(i,j) \in A_+} f_{ij} y_{ij} \\ \sum_{j \in \tilde{N}_i^+(k)} x_{ij}^k - \sum_{j \in \tilde{N}_i^-(k)} x_{ji}^k = & \begin{cases} d^k, & \text{if } i = O(k) \\ -d^k, & \text{if } i = D(k) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i \in N, k \in K(\pi_i^k) \\ \sum_{k \in \tilde{K}_{ij}} x_{ij}^k \leq & u_{ij} y_{ij} \quad (i,j) \in A_+ \quad (\alpha_{ij}) \\ x_{ij}^k \leq & d^k y_{ij}, \quad (i,j) \in A_+, k \in \bar{K}_{ij} \subseteq \tilde{K}_{ij} \quad (\beta_{ij}^k) \\ y_{ij} \leq & 1, \quad (i,j) \in A_+ \quad (\gamma_{ij}) \\ x_{ij}^k \geq & 0, \quad (i,j) \in A_+, k \in \tilde{K}_{ij} \\ y_{ij} \geq & 0, \quad (i,j) \in A_+ \end{aligned}$$

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Pricing problem

- ▶ Decomposes by arc (i, j)
- ▶ $\bar{y}_{ij} > 0$: for any $k \notin \tilde{K}_{ij}$ such that $c_{ij}^k(\bar{\pi}, \bar{\alpha}) < 0$, add flow variables x_{ij}^k
- ▶ $\bar{y}_{ij} = 0$ and $f_{ij}(\bar{\alpha}) < \sum_{k \in K} d^k \max\{0, -c_{ij}^k(\bar{\pi}, \bar{\alpha})\}$: for any $k \notin \tilde{K}_{ij}$ such that $c_{ij}^k(\bar{\pi}, \bar{\alpha}) < 0$, add flow variables x_{ij}^k
- ▶ Make a connection between this pricing problem and a Lagrangian relaxation

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- ▶ **How is branching performed?**
- ▶ Simply branch on y_{ij} variables: they appear in both the restricted LP and the pricing problem
- ▶ B&P&C is faster and more effective than B&C (B&P&C without column generation)
- ▶ B&P&C is faster and more effective than CPLEX on on instances with many commodities $O(100)$ and few nodes $O(10)$

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- ▶ Suggest several Lagrangian relaxations

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- ▶ Both Lagrangian relaxations provide the same lower bound as the strong LP relaxation
- ▶ To find (near-)optimal Lagrangian multipliers, two classes of methods have been traditionally used:
 - ▶ Column generation (CG) methods
 - ▶ Subgradient methods
- ▶ Our computational results show that:
 - ▶ CG methods are much more robust
 - ▶ CG methods converge faster
 - ▶ Any of these two methods converge much faster than solving the strong LP relaxation with the simplex method (without cutting-plane or column-and-row generation)

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$$\pi_j^k - \pi_i^k - \alpha_{ij} \leq c_{ij} \quad (i,j) \in A, k \in K$$

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- ▶ Note: we can eliminate one of the π multipliers for each commodity ($\pi_{O(k)}^k = 0$)

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- ▶ Add the (optimality or feasibility) cut to the master problem defined by the objective:

$$\min \sum_{(i,j) \in A} f_{ij} y_{ij} + z$$

- ▶ Find a new \bar{y} and perform another iteration
- ▶ This process converges to an optimal solution of MCNDF

Benders decomposition: implementation and results

- ▶ Several techniques are implemented to accelerate the convergence of the algorithm:
 - ▶ Add cutset inequalities to the master problem
 - ▶ Solve the (strong) LP relaxation by Benders decomposition (master problem \equiv LP)
 - ▶ Use (slope scaling) heuristic to generate several tentative \bar{y}
 - ▶ When solving MIP master problem by branch-and-bound, collect all feasible solutions to generate several tentative \bar{y}
- ▶ Even with these improvements (and many others), the method is not competitive with simplex-based branch-and-cut approach
- ▶ But, Benders feasibility cuts can be used in any branch-and-cut approach!

Capacity installation multicommodity network design

- ▶ Directed network $G = (N, A)$, with node set N and arc set A
- ▶ Commodity set K : known demand d^k between origin $O(k)$ and destination $D(k)$ for each $k \in K$
- ▶ Unit transportation cost c_{ij} on each arc (i, j)
- ▶ Capacity u_{ij} on each arc (i, j)
- ▶ Cost f_{ij} for each capacity unit installed on arc (i, j)

General integer formulation (I)

$$\min \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{(i,j) \in A} d^k c_{ij} x_{ij}^k + \sum_{(i,j) \in A} f_{ij} y_{ij}$$

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Lagrangian relaxation of flow conservation

$$\min \sum_{k \in K} \sum_{(i,j) \in A} (d^k c_{ij} + \pi_i^k - \pi_j^k) x_{ij}^k + \sum_{(i,j) \in A} f_{ij} y_{ij} + \sum_{k \in K} (\pi_{D(k)}^k - \pi_{O(k)}^k)$$

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- ▶ Lagrangian subproblem *decomposes by arc*
- ▶ Easy (\approx 2 continuous knapsack) but *no* integrality property

Residual capacity inequalities

- ▶ For any $P \subseteq K$, define $d^P = \sum_{k \in P} d^k$
- ▶ Then, for any $(i, j) \in A$, define

$$a_{ij}^P = \frac{d^P}{u_{ij}}$$

$$q_{ij}^P = \lceil a_{ij}^P \rceil$$

$$r_{ij}^P = a_{ij}^P - \lfloor a_{ij}^P \rfloor$$

- ▶ Residual capacity inequalities

$$\sum_{k \in P} \{a_{ij}^k(1 - x_{ij}^k)\} \geq r_{ij}^P(q_{ij}^P - y_{ij}) \quad (i, j) \in A, P \subseteq K$$

- ▶ Characterize the convex hull of solutions to the Lagrangian subproblem (Magnanti, Mirchandani, Vachani 1993)
- ▶ Separation can be performed in $O(|A||K|)$ (Atamtürk, Rajan 2002)

Multiple choice model

$$y_{ij} \leq \left\lceil \frac{\sum_{k \in K} d^k}{u_{ij}} \right\rceil = T_{ij}$$

$$S_{ij} = \{1, \dots, T_{ij}\}$$

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Binary formulation (B)

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$$(s - 1)u_{ij}y_{ij}^s \leq x_{ij}^s \leq su_{ij}y_{ij}^s \quad (i, j) \in A, s \in S_{ij}$$

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Variable disaggregation and extended formulation (B^+)

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- ▶ $F(M)$: feasible set for model M
- ▶ $\text{conv}(F(M))$: convex hull of $F(M)$
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(relaxation of flow conservation constraints)
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Column-and-row generation for $LP(B^+)$

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- ▶ Variables are gradually added to the LP relaxation by pricing them:
 - ▶ Solve the restricted LP relaxation
 - ▶ Compute the reduced costs of non-generated flow variables \equiv solve the Lagrangian subproblem
 - ▶ Add variables with negative reduced costs
- ▶ The restricted LP relaxation is solved by the cutting-plane method: constraints $x_{ij}^{ks} \leq y_{ij}^s$ are gradually added

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- ▶ Additional features (subgradient warmstart, stabilization) improve efficiency (time) AND effectiveness (upper bounds)