

11. Exercise sheet

Due-date: Friday, 04.07.2014, *before* the lecture has started

This is the second last exercise sheet of the second half of the semester.

Exercise 61

2+1 points

Given a connected, undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and edge-capacities $u_e > 0$ ($e \in E$), a *legal ordering* of G is an ordering $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ such that, where $V_i := \{v_1, \dots, v_i\}$,

$$u(\delta(V_{i-1}) \cap \delta(v_i)) \geq u(\delta(V_{i-1}) \cap \delta(v_j)) \quad \forall 2 \leq i < j \leq n.$$

- (a) Describe an algorithm that finds a legal ordering in G . What bound for the running time can you guarantee?
- (b) Find a legal ordering of graph G as illustrated in Exercise 66, starting with $v_1 = r$.

Exercise 62

2+3+3 points

Given a connected, undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and edge-capacities $u_e > 0$ ($e \in E$),

- (a) Show that for any triple $u, v, w \in V$ holds $\mu(G; u, v) \geq \min\{\mu(G; w, u), \mu(G; w, v)\}$.
- (b) Show that $u(\delta(v_n)) = \mu(G; v_n, v_{n-1})$ holds for any legal ordering $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of the nodes in G .
- (c) Describe an algorithm to find a global min cut in time $\mathcal{O}(|V|^3)$ that does not need any maximum flow computation.

See Exercise 66 b) for a definition of $\mu(G; u, v)$.

Exercise 63

4 points

Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph with edge costs $c \in \mathbb{R}^E$ and $v_1 \in V$. Show that Dantzig, Fulkerson, and Johnson's relaxation of the TSP (see Lecture, LP 15.1) is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x(\delta(v)) = 2 \quad \forall v \in V \\ & x(\gamma(S)) \leq |S| - 1 \quad \forall S \subseteq V, v_1 \notin S \\ & 0 \leq x_e \leq 1 \quad \forall e \in E \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

Exercise 64

5 points

Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph with edge costs $c \in \mathbb{R}^E$.

- (a) Show how to solve the linear program

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{e \in E} c_e x_e \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x(\delta(v)) = 2 \quad \forall v \in V \\ & 0 \leq x_e \leq 1 \quad \forall e \in E \end{aligned}$$

as a minimum-cost flow problem.

- (b) Use your construction to prove that there exists an optimal solution for which all variables have value 0, $\frac{1}{2}$, or 1.

Exercise 65

Tutorial session – 0 points

Given a asymmetric TSP as directed graph $G = (V, A)$ and $c: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, i.e., $c(u, v) \neq c(v, u)$ for some $u, v \in V$.

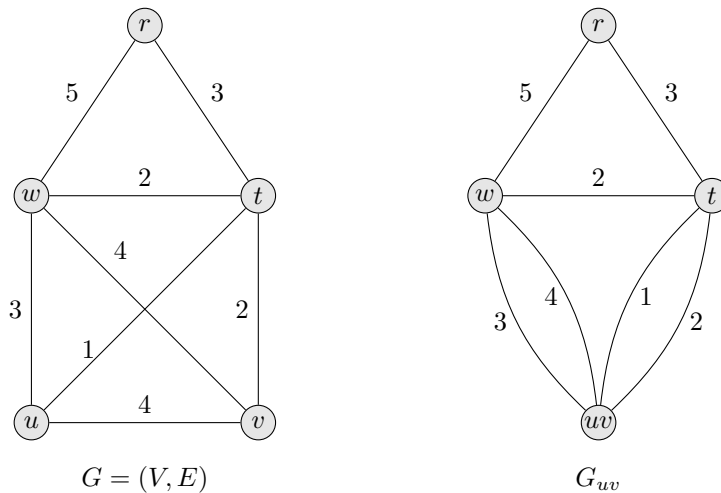
Describe how to transform the instance into a symmetric TSP such that tours in one instance correspond to tour in the other instance with the same length.

Exercise 66

Tutorial session – 0 points

Given a connected, undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ and edge-capacities $u_e > 0$ ($e \in E$), the (*global*) *minimum cut problem* asks for an edge-set $A \subseteq E$ such that $\emptyset \subset S \subset V$ and $u(A)$ is minimum.

- (a) Show that the global min cut problem in G can be solved by solving $|V| - 1$ maximum flow problems. What is the runtime of this algorithm?
- (b) Let $\mu(G)$ denote the capacity of a minimum global cut in G . Moreover, given any pair $u, v \in V$, let $\mu(G; u, v)$ denote the capacity of a minimum (u, v) -cut in G , and G_{uv} be the graph obtained by identifying the nodes u and v to a single nodes (see figure below). Show that $\mu(G) = \min\{\mu(G_{uv}), \mu(G; u, v)\}$.



- (c) Describe a faster algorithm to find a global min cut than the one proposed in a).