Integer Linear Programming Summer term 2009

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Assignment 1

Exercise 1

Formulate the following combinatorial problems as integer linear programs.

- a) Partition: Given n numbers $a_1, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{N}$ determine whether there exists a subset $S \subseteq \{1, \ldots, n\}$ such that $\sum_{i \in S} a_i = \sum_{i \in \{1, \ldots, n\} \setminus S} a_i$.
- b) Satisfiability: Given m clauses C_1, \ldots, C_m over n boolean variables x_1, \ldots, x_n , find a truth assignment to the variables that satisfies all clauses. (A clause is a disjunction of literals, e.g. $C_3 = x_2 \vee \neg x_5 \vee x_{13}$.)
- c) Integral Max Flow: Given an s-t-network with capacities $u: E \to \mathbb{Z}$, find an integral s-t-flow of maximum value.

What complexity results can be derived from the above modelling?

Exercise 2

- a) Let $A \in \mathbb{Q}^{m \times n}$. Show that the encoding size of det(A) is bounded by a polynomial in the encoding size of A.
- b) Show that *Linear Algebra* has a good characterization, i.e. for each instance there either exists a certificate for the existence or for the non-existence of a solution $x \in \mathbb{Q}^n$ to Ax = b and the size of this certificate is bounded by a polynomial in the input size. *Hint:* You already learned about the certificates in the lecture. Use part a) to show that they are sized polynomially.

Reminder: The encoding size of a rational number $r = \frac{p}{q}$ with $p \in \mathbb{Z}, q \in \mathbb{N}$ coprime is

$$\langle r \rangle := 1 + \lceil \log_2(|p|+1) \rceil + \lceil \log_2(q+1) \rceil$$

and the encoding size of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{Q}^{m \times n}$ is

$$\langle A \rangle := mn + \sum_{i \in [m]} \sum_{j \in [n]} \langle a_{ij} \rangle.$$

Exercise 3

Draw the lattice that is generated by the columns of the matrix

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrr} 2 & 4 & 0\\ 5 & -1 & 3 \end{array}\right).$$

Hint: It might be helpful to determine a basis of the lattice first.

Exercise 4

Determine an integral solution of the diophantine equation $15x_1 + 51x_2 + 18x_3 = b$ or show that none exists for

- a) b = 17.
- b) b = 42.

Exercise 5 Let

$$A = \left(\begin{array}{rrrr} 2 & 4 & 2 & -6 \\ 3 & 10 & 7 & -13 \\ 6 & 0 & -1 & -16 \end{array}\right).$$

- a) Determine a basis of the lattice spanned by the columns of A.
- b) Determine all integral solutions of the system of diophantine equations Ax = b or show that none exists for

i)
$$b = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$$
.
ii) $b = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$.