

APPENDIX 1

Linear Programming in a Nutshell

Mathematical programming is a widely used family of techniques for making decisions under the restriction of limited resources. The first step in approaching a decision problem is to identify its two important components [377]:

1. *Objective*,
2. *Variables*.

The specification of a problem to be solved using mathematical programming is called the *formulation* of the problem. The objective is the desired end result, typically expressed as the maximization or minimization of some mathematical function. Such functions are often called *objective functions*. The variables are those parameters that are under the control of the designer and hence may be allowed to change (or vary) in order to reach the objective. The most popular type of problem formulation is called *linear program* where the objective function as well as the restrictions (often called *constraints*) are linear functions of the variables.

The standard revised simplex algorithm for processing a Linear Program (LP) to minimize an objective function subject to a number of linear constraints is given below. In this description of a linear program *FORM 11*, only the simplest form of the constraints has been considered. This is a concise description and more details, with proof of correctness, are available in standard textbooks such as [93, 377].

Notation used in *FORM 11*

\hat{n}_c : the number of constraints in *FORM 11*.

\hat{n}_v : the number of variables in *FORM 11*.

\mathbf{A} : a matrix of size $\hat{n}_c \times \hat{n}_v$ where each element in the matrix is a constant, used to specify the constraints of *FORM 11*.

$[A|I]$: a matrix of size $\hat{n}_c \times (\hat{n}_v + \hat{n}_c)$ such that the first \hat{n}_v columns of $[A|I]$ are taken from A and the remaining \hat{n}_c columns of $[A|I]$ are taken from identity matrix I .

\vec{A}^j : the j^{th} column of $[A|I]$.

a_{ij} : the element in row i , column j of A — a constant.

\vec{b} : a column vector of \hat{n}_c nonnegative constants.

b^k : the k^{th} element of vector \vec{b} .

\vec{c} : a row vector of \hat{n}_v constants.

\vec{c}_B : a row vector of \hat{n}_c constants.

\vec{x} : a column vector of \hat{n}_v variables.

\vec{y} : a row vector of \hat{n}_c variables.

\vec{d} : a column vector of \hat{n}_c variables.

x^i : the i^{th} element of vector \vec{x} .

\vec{x}_B : a column vector of \hat{n}_c variables, called basic variables.

x_B^i : the i^{th} element of \vec{x}_B .

B : a nonsingular matrix of size $\hat{n}_c \times \hat{n}_c$.

I : identity matrix of size $\hat{n}_c \times \hat{n}_c$.

\vec{x}_s : a column vector of \hat{n}_c variables.

x_s^i : the i^{th} element of x_s , also called the i^{th} *slack variable*.

$\vec{[x|x_s]}$: a column vector of $(\hat{n}_v + \hat{n}_c)$ elements, such that the first \hat{n}_v elements of $\vec{[x|x_s]}$ are taken from \vec{x} and the remaining \hat{n}_c elements of $\vec{[x|x_s]}$ are taken from \vec{x}_s .

$\vec{0}$: a vector of all 0s.

The formulation for *FORM 11*

The input to the LP is a set of \hat{n}_c linear constraints and an objective function.

The i^{th} constraint is in the form $\sum_{j=0}^{\hat{n}_v} a_{ij}x^j \leq b^i$, for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq \hat{n}_c$. The

cost function is in the form $\sum_{j=0}^{\hat{n}_v} c_jx^j$.

Using matrix notation, the LP may be conveniently specified as follows:

Objective function:

$$\text{minimize } \vec{c} \cdot \vec{x} \tag{A1.1}$$

subject to

$$A\vec{x} \leq b \tag{A1.2}$$

$$x^i \geq 0 \quad \forall i, 1 \leq i \leq \hat{n}_v \tag{A1.3}$$

The constraints in (A1.2) are called *linear constraints* because the left-hand side of each constraint (i.e., each row of $A\vec{x}$) is a linear function of the variables in \vec{x} . The first step is to add *slack* variable x_s^i in the i^{th} constraint, for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq \hat{n}_c$, in (A1.2) and replace the \leq symbol by the equality symbol so that the LP now becomes

Objective function:

$$\text{minimize } \vec{c} \cdot \vec{x} \tag{A1.4}$$

subject to

$$[A|I][x|x_s] = \vec{b} \tag{A1.5}$$

$$x^i \geq 0 \tag{A1.6}$$

$$x_s^i \geq 0 \tag{A1.7}$$

It is well known that it is possible to obtain an $\hat{n}_c \times \hat{n}_c$ non-singular sub-matrix B of $[A|I]$ and a nonnegative vector \vec{x}_B by choosing \hat{n}_c suitable variables from $[x|x_s]$ for inclusion in \vec{x}_B and by selecting the corresponding columns of $[A|I]$ for inclusion in B [93], satisfying the following condition:

$$B\vec{x}_B = \vec{b} \tag{A1.8}$$

The matrix B is called the *basis*, the variables in \vec{x}_B are called *basic variables*. (A1.8) can be solved to get a unique solution since B is non-singular. The variables in \vec{x} or in \vec{x}_s which are not included in \vec{x}_B are called *nonbasic variables*. It is convenient to form a row vector \vec{c}_B of all coefficients in vector \vec{c} corresponding to the variables in \vec{x}_B . A solution of the LP may be found by setting all the nonbasic variables to 0. The value of the objective function is now $\vec{c}_B \cdot \vec{x}_B$. This process of determining the matrix B , the vector of variables \vec{x}_B , and the cost vector \vec{c}_B before starting the iterations of the revised simplex method is called finding an *initial feasible solution (IFS)*. In the simple form considered here, an IFS is $B = I$ (the identity matrix), $\vec{x}_B = \vec{x}_s$ (the vector of slack variables), and $\vec{c}_B = \vec{0}$.

Once the initial feasible solution has been obtained, the idea is to improve the value of the objective function, if possible, in successive iterations of the revised simplex method until no further improvement in the value of the objective function is possible. In each iteration, one column of the basis is

replaced by a column from $[A|I]$, currently not appearing in the basis. The column being replaced is called the *leaving column* and the column replacing it is called the *entering column*. The variable in $[x|x_s]$ corresponding to the leaving column is called the *leaving variable* and the variable corresponding to the entering column is called the *entering variable*. The steps in one iteration of the revised simplex method are as follows.

Step 1: Solve the equation $\vec{y} \cdot B = \vec{c}_B$.

Step 2: Find, if possible, a column \vec{A}^j from $[A|I]$ such that the $\vec{y} \cdot \vec{A}^j > c_j$. If no such column can be found, stop. Otherwise, \vec{A}^j is the entering column that has to be included in the basis.

Step 3: Solve the equation $B \cdot \vec{d} = \vec{A}^j$.

Step 4: Find the largest t such that $\vec{x}_B \geq t\vec{d}$. The component of $\vec{x}_B - t\vec{d}$ which is 0 is the leaving variable and the corresponding column in B is the leaving column.

Step 5: In the basis B , replace the leaving column by the entering column. Recompute \vec{x}_B using the formula by $\vec{x}_B = B^{-1}\vec{b}$. Replace the cost of the leaving column in \vec{c}_B by the cost of the entering column.

The elements in $\vec{y} = \vec{c}_B B^{-1}$, computed in Step 1, are called *simplex multipliers*. The i^{th} simplex multiplier is the i^{th} element in \vec{y} , $1 \leq i \leq \hat{n}_c$.

In many problems, the variables must have integer values only. This situation occurs frequently in optical network design. Such problems are called *Integer Linear Programs* (ILPs). If a formulation contains some continuous variables and some integer variables, such formulations are called *Mixed Integer Linear Programs* (MILPs).

APPENDIX 2

The de Bruijn Graph

One interconnection architecture that has been widely studied is the de Bruijn graph [199, 240]. A very brief overview of the de Bruijn graph and related terms in graph theory is given below. It is convenient to model an interconnection architecture using a directed graph $G = (V, E)$ where each processor is a vertex in the set of vertices V in the graph G , and E is the set of edges in G . If two processors u and v are connected by a link allowing communication from u to v , there is a directed edge $e = u \rightarrow v$ in G . The edge e is an element in the set of edges E . Given two vertices $s, d \in V$, a *walk* W is a sequence of edges represented as $W = x_0 \rightarrow x_1 \rightarrow x_2 \dots \rightarrow x_{k-1} \rightarrow x_k$, where $s = x_0$, $d = x_k$, and there is an edge $e = x_i \rightarrow x_{i+1} \in E$, for all $i, 0 \leq i < k$. The length of this walk from s to d is k . A walk may involve a loop, meaning that the same vertex may appear more than once in a walk. A *path* is a walk where no vertex appears more than once. In general, there are many paths from any node s to any node d .

Using standard graph theoretic terminology [42], the *in-degree* (*out-degree*) of a vertex v will denote the number of edges to (from) v . Given two vertices s and d , a *routing algorithm* is used to construct a path from s to d . In most cases, the routing algorithm gives the shortest directed path from s to d . In a multiprocessor system, for example, such an algorithm is very useful to enable any processor to communicate with any other processor as quickly as possible. In characterizing graphs, the *diameter* is an important property and is defined as the largest value of the shortest path between any pair of vertices.

Topologies such as the de Bruijn graph are attractive because they have a low diameter ($O(\log_d N_{DB})$ where N_{DB} is the number of vertices in the graph and d is the in-degree and out-degree of every vertex). The de Bruijn graph is an example of a *regular* graph where the in-degree and out-degree of each vertex is the same. An attractive property of many regular graphs, including the de Bruijn graph, is that the interconnection between the vertices follows some simple rules so that the routing algorithm for communication between vertices is quite straightforward and does not involve the need for complex routing tables.

Interconnection rules and routing in a de Bruijn graph

A *de Bruijn* graph with in-degree and out-degree d and a diameter k , denoted by $B(d, k)$, is a directed graph with d^k vertices, where the vertices are represented by strings of length k , choosing the symbols of the string from the set $Z_d = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, d-1\}$. Let vertex u (v) be a vertex in $B(d, k)$, represented by the string of k digits $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1$ ($v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$), where $u_i \in Z_d$ ($v_i \in Z_d$), for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq k$. There will be an edge $u \rightarrow v$ in $B(d, k)$ iff $v_i = u_{i-1}, 1 < i \leq k$. Here, the value of v_1 can be any digit i in Z_d . The edge $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1 \rightarrow u_{k-1} u_{k-2} \dots u_1 i$ will be called the i^{th} edge of vertex $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1$.

$B(d, k)$ is regular, since the rule for the existence of edge $u \rightarrow v$ is the same for all pairs of vertices (u, v) . Each vertex has in-degree and out-degree d . There are d vertices with self-loops.⁷ It may be readily verified that if a vertex in $B(d, k)$ is represented by a string $iii \dots i, 0 \leq i < d$, then the vertex has a self-loop.

It is convenient to associate numbers $0, 1, 2, \dots, d^k - 1$ with the vertices of $B(d, k)$. If n is the number associated with a vertex u represented by the string $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1$, then $n = \sum_{i=1}^k u_i \cdot d^{i-1}$.

Example A2.1. The diagram of a de Bruijn graph $B(d, k)$ with $d = 2$ and $k = 3$ is shown in Figure A2.1. Each vertex has a vertex number (shown on the first line inside the square representing the vertex) and a string representing the vertex (shown on the second line inside the square representing the vertex). Vertex number 5 has the string representation 101 since $5 = 1 \times 2^2 + 0 \times 2^1 + 1 \times 2^0$. The vertex with the string representation 010 has directed edges to two vertices with string representations 100 and 101, following the rules of interconnection given above. The vertices with string representations 000 and 111 have one edge to themselves. These are the self-loops. \square

A somewhat more complex de Bruijn graph, $B(3, 2)$, is shown in Figure A2.2.

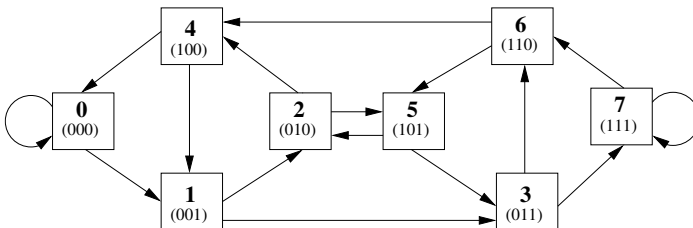


Fig. A2.1. The de Bruijn graph $B(2, 3)$ with eight vertices

⁷ A *self-loop* is any edge $u \rightarrow u$ for some $u \in V$.

Since the string representation of a vertex in a de Bruijn graph $B(d, k)$ identifies the vertex, it is convenient to refer to the string representation as the *address* to identify a vertex. Let any two vertices u and v have addresses $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1$ and $v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$. Clearly, there is a walk in $B(d, k)$ of length k given by $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1 \rightarrow u_{k-1} u_{k-2} \dots u_1 v_k \rightarrow u_{k-2} u_{k-3} \dots u_1 v_k v_{k-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$.

Example A2.2. In the de Bruijn graph $B(2, 3)$ shown in Figure A2.1, there is a walk $100 \rightarrow 000 \rightarrow 000 \rightarrow 001$ from vertex number 4 to vertex number 1. This has a loop $000 \rightarrow 000$.

There is a path $100 \rightarrow 001 \rightarrow 011 \rightarrow 111$ from vertex number 4 to vertex number 7. □

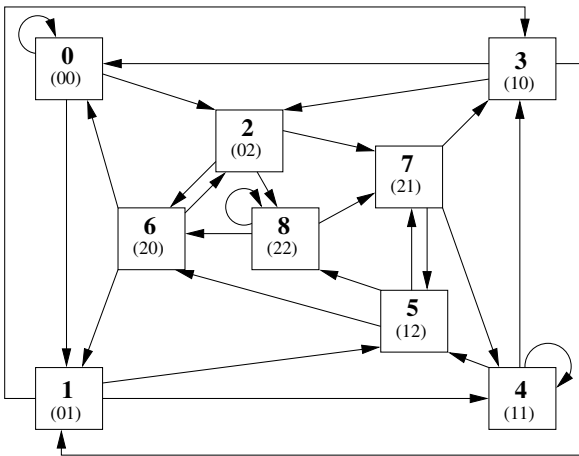


Fig. A2.2. The de Bruijn graph $B(3, 2)$ with nine vertices

Clearly, in a $B(d, k)$, for any two vertices u and v , a walk of length k from u to v is always possible. For $u = 000 \dots 0$ and $v = 111 \dots 1$, this walk is a path. This illustrates that the diameter of $B(d, k)$ is k .

Definition A2.1. The *suffix*(x, p) (prefix(x, p)) of a vertex x in a $B(d, k)$ having an address $x_k x_{k-1} \dots x_1$ and $p < k$, is the string $x_p x_{p-1} \dots x_1$ ($x_k x_{k-1} \dots x_{k-p+1}$).

The shortest path from a vertex u to a vertex v in a $B(d, k)$ is unique and is of length $k - t$ if t is the length of the longest suffix of the string $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1$ that appears as the prefix of $v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$. The shortest path from u to v is $u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_1 \rightarrow u_{k-1} u_{k-2} \dots u_1 v_k \rightarrow u_{k-2} u_{k-3} \dots u_1 v_k v_{k-1} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow u_t u_{t-1} \dots u_1 v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$.

Since $\text{suffix}(u, t) = \text{prefix}(v, t)$, $u_t u_{t-1} \dots u_1 v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1 = v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_1$.

Example A2.3. In the shortest path from $u = 100$ to $v = 011$ in $B(3, 2)$, the longest suffix of u which matches the prefix of v has length $t = 1$, since $\text{suffix}(100, 1) = \text{prefix}(011, 1) = 0$, $\text{suffix}(100, 2) = 10 \neq \text{prefix}(011, 2) = 01$. Therefore, the shortest path from 100 to 011 is $100 \rightarrow 001 \rightarrow 011$. \square

APPENDIX 3

Network Flow Programming

This appendix is a very concise overview of network flow programming. Standard textbooks, such as [4], are available for more information. Network flow programming is used to solve problems where one or more distinct *commodities* have to be shipped over a transportation network (e. g., a roadway system or a set of railway tracks). Each commodity is something (e.g., grains or minerals) that has to be transported from one or more sources for the commodity to one or more destinations. A transportation network is represented by a directed graph $G = (V, E)$. Each vertex in V represents a potential source or destination of a commodity (e.g., a rail station) and each edge $i \rightarrow j$ represents a link on the transportation network (e.g., the rail line between two stations). An edge $i \rightarrow j$ is an element in the form (i, j) in the set of edges E . Each edge $i \rightarrow j$ has a capacity and a cost/unit flow (u_{ij}, c_{ij}) associated with it. Such graphs are called *capacitated networks* because each edge has a capacity associated with it. Figure A3.1 shows a directed network with a pair (capacity, cost) associated with every edge.

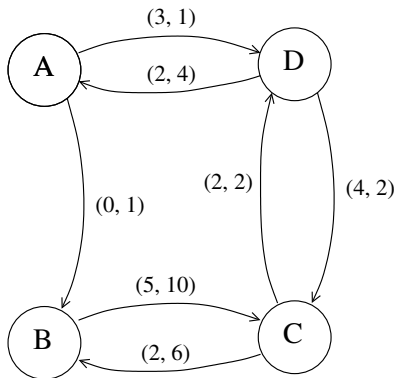


Fig. A3.1. A capacitated network.

A problem involving a network where there is only one commodity flowing from one or more sources to one or more destinations is called a *single commodity network flow problem*. If the network supports the flow of more than one commodity, it is called a *multi-commodity network flow problem*. The following formulations of network flow problems are of interest.

Problem 1

Given a capacitated network G , one source s , and one destination d of a single commodity flowing on network G , find the scheme to transport the maximum amount of the commodity.

This is called the *max-flow* problem and can be handled using linear program formulation *FORM 12* given below.

Notation used in *FORM 12*

G : a directed graph (V, E) with V representing the set of vertices and E representing the set of edges so that if $(i, j) \in E$ there is an edge $i \rightarrow j$ from i to j . Each vertex is assigned a unique number $i, 1 \leq i \leq N$.

s (d): the source (destination) of the commodity.

c_{ij} : cost/unit flow of using the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

u_{ij} : capacity of the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

\hat{v} : amount of commodity transported from s to d .

X_{ij} : continuous variable denoting the amount of flow on the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

N : number of vertices in V .

The Formulation for *FORM 12*

Objective function:

$$\text{maximize } \hat{v} \quad (\text{A3.1})$$

subject to

1. Satisfy flow constraints.

$$\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} X_{ij} - \sum_{j:(j,i) \in E} X_{ji} = \begin{cases} v & \text{if } i = s, \\ -v & \text{if } i = d, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \forall i, 1 \leq i \leq N \quad (\text{A3.2})$$

2. Ensure that the capacities of edges are not exceeded.

$$X_{ij} \leq u_{ij}, \quad \forall i, j, (i, j) \in E \quad (\text{A3.3})$$

3. Flows cannot be negative.

$$X_{ij} \geq 0, \quad \forall i, j, (i, j) \in E \quad (\text{A3.4})$$

Justification of *FORM 12*

The objective function is to maximize the amount \widehat{v} of a commodity transported from s to d .

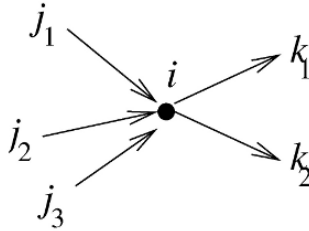


Fig. A3.2. Node i in a network

Figure A3.2 shows a typical node i with three incoming edges ($j_1 \rightarrow i$, $j_2 \rightarrow i$, $j_3 \rightarrow i$) to i and two outgoing edges ($i \rightarrow k_1$, $i \rightarrow k_2$) from i . The total *inflow* (i.e., the sum of flows into node i on all incoming edges $j \rightarrow i$) is the sum of the flows on edges $j_1 \rightarrow i$, $j_2 \rightarrow i$, and $j_3 \rightarrow i$. The total *outflow* (i.e., the sum of flows from node i , on all outgoing edges $i \rightarrow j$ for node i) is the sum of the flows on edges $i \rightarrow k_1$ and $i \rightarrow k_2$.

The commodity flowing from s to d may involve node i . If so, the following cases have to be considered:

- Case I) ($i = s$) No flow can use an edge to i but one or more flows will start from i , using one or more of the outgoing edges from i .
- Case II) ($i = d$) No flow can start from i but one or more flows will terminate at i , using one or more of the incoming edges to i .
- Case III) ($i \neq s$ and $i \neq d$) There will be one or more flows into i , using one or more incoming edges to i , so that the total inflow to i is matched by the total outflow from i , using one or more outgoing edges from i .

Since the objective is to maximize \widehat{v} , any solution where the total inflow to (outflow from) node s (d) is nonzero decreases the value of \widehat{v} and hence is not optimal.

The total inflow for node i is $\sum_{j:(j,i) \in E} X_{ji}$. Similarly the total outflow is

$$\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} X_{ij}.$$

(A3.2) should be interpreted as follows:

Case I) ($i = s$) Since i is the source of the commodity, the total outflow from i is \hat{v} and the total inflow is 0. Thus the difference between the total outflow and the total inflow must be \hat{v} .

Case II) ($i = d$) Since i is the destination of the commodity, the total inflow to i is \hat{v} and the total outflow is 0. Thus the difference between the total outflow and the total inflow must be $-v$.

Case III) ($i \neq s$ and $i \neq d$) Since i is neither the source nor the destination of the commodity, the total inflow must be matched by the total outflow so that the difference between the total outflow and the total inflow must be 0.

(A3.2) is called *flow balance equation* (also called *flow conservation equation*). The purpose of (A3.3) is to state that the flow on edge $i \rightarrow j$ cannot exceed the capacity u_{ij} of the edge. All flows must be positive (A3.4).

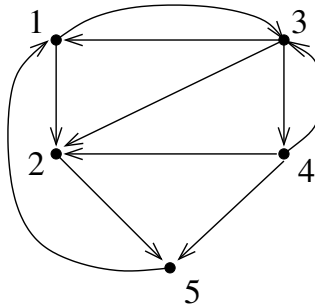


Fig. A3.3. A network

It is very easy to generate constraints corresponding to formulations such as this one. For instance, in the network shown in Figure A3.3, if node 3 is the source and 5 is the destination, the constraints corresponding to (A3.2) for selected nodes are as follows:

$$X_{31} + X_{32} + X_{34} - X_{13} - X_{43} = \hat{v} \quad (\text{A3.5})$$

$$X_{12} + X_{32} + X_{42} - X_{25} = 0 \quad (\text{A3.6})$$

$$X_{51} - X_{25} - X_{45} = -v \quad (\text{A3.7})$$

(A3.5), (A3.6), and (A3.7) arise from (A3.2) applied to nodes 3, 2, and 5, respectively.

Problem 2

Given a network $G = (V, E)$, one source s , and one destination d , find the minimum cost path from s to d , where each edge $(i, j) \in E$ has a cost c_{ij} associated with it.

This problem may be solved using integer linear program formulation *FORM 13* given below.

Notation used in FORM 13

G, s, d, c_{ij} : same as in Problem 1.

x_{ij} : a binary variable (i.e., a variable which is either 0 or 1) denoting the amount of flow on the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

The Formulation for FORM 13

Objective function:

$$\text{minimize } \sum_{(i,j) \in E} c_{ij} \cdot x_{ij} \quad (\text{A3.8})$$

subject to

1. Satisfy flow constraints.

$$\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} x_{ij} - \sum_{j:(j,i) \in E} x_{ji} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = s, \\ -1 & \text{if } i = d, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad \forall i, 1 \leq i \leq N \quad (\text{A3.9})$$

2. Ensure that the variable x_{ij} is either 0 or 1.

$$x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall i, j, (i, j) \in E \quad (\text{A3.10})$$

Justification of FORM 13

It will be shown below that the above constraints generate a path \mathbb{P} from s to d by ensuring that $x_{ij} = 1$ if and only if the edge $i \rightarrow j$ appears in the path \mathbb{P} . Figure A3.4 shows a typical path $\mathbb{P} = s \rightarrow i \rightarrow j \rightarrow k \rightarrow l \rightarrow m \rightarrow d$. Since $x_{ij} = 1$ if and only if $i \rightarrow j$ is in path \mathbb{P} , $\sum_{(i,j) \in E} c_{ij} \cdot x_{ij}$ gives the cost of

the path from s to d . The objective function in (A3.8) is to find the minimum value of $\sum_{(i,j) \in E} c_{ij} \cdot x_{ij}$ and hence the minimum cost path.

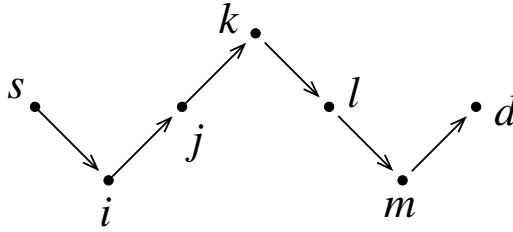


Fig. A3.4. A path from s to d

The purpose of (A3.10) is to ensure that x_{ij} is either 0 or 1. (A3.9) is similar to (A3.2). Here, the traffic is 1 so that the outflow from (inflow to) the source (destination) s (d) is 1. When $i = s$, (A3.9) becomes $\sum_{j:(s,j) \in E} x_{sj} = 1$.

Since $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$, this means that the value of $x_{sj} = 1$ for exactly one value of j and there is only one edge from s carrying the outflow from s . The same argument shows that there is exactly one edge to d carrying the inflow to s . For node $i, i \neq s, i \neq d$, (A3.9) states that $\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} x_{ij} - \sum_{j:(j,i) \in E} x_{ji} = 0$. If

there is exactly one edge, say $j_1 \rightarrow i$ carrying an inflow of 1 to node i , (A3.9) becomes $\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} x_{ij} = x_{j_1 i} = 1$ so that there must be exactly one outgoing edge $i \rightarrow k_1$ to some k_1 such that $x_{ik_1} = 1$. In summary, (A3.9) ensures that the formulation finds a path from s to d .

Problem 3

The idea of the Multi-Commodity Network Flow (MCNF) problem is to optimize some parameter associated with the flow of an arbitrary number of commodities. Two popular problems, for instance, are the maximum multi-commodity network flow problem [152] and the minimum cost network flow problem [4]. The maximum multi-commodity network flow problem is to maximize the sum of flows for all commodities between their respective source/destination pairs. The minimum cost network flow problem is to determine the flow satisfying the demands of all commodities at a minimum cost without violating the capacity constraints of all the edges. An example similar to the single commodity problem (Problem 1) discussed above illustrates the MCNF problem involving a minimum cost network.

On a capacitated network G , q commodities are flowing; each commodity identified by a commodity number $k, 1 \leq k \leq q$. Each commodity has one source, one destination, and a specified amount of required traffic. The flows of different commodities may share edges. In general, an edge $i \rightarrow j$ has a number of commodities flowing on the edge. It must be ensured that the total traffic on edge $i \rightarrow j$, taking into account all the commodities flowing on the edge, does

not exceed the capacity of the edge. The problem is to determine flows on each edge such that the specified traffic, for all commodities, is transported at a minimum cost. The problem may be solved using linear program formulation *FORM 14* given below.

Notation used in *FORM 14*

G, c_{ij}, u_{ij} : same as in Problem 1.

s^k (d^k) : the source (destination) of commodity number k .

q : number of commodities to be transported.

τ^k : amount of commodity number k to be transported from s^k to d^k .

z_{ij}^k : continuous variable denoting the amount of flow of commodity number k on the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

The Formulation for *FORM 14*

Objective function:

$$\text{minimize } \sum_{k=1}^q \sum_{(i,j) \in E} z_{ij}^k \times c_{ij} \quad (\text{A3.11})$$

subject to

1. Satisfy flow constraints for each commodity $k, 1 \leq k \leq q$.

$$\sum_{j:(i,j) \in E} z_{ij}^k - \sum_{j:(j,i) \in E} z_{ji}^k = \begin{cases} \tau^k & \text{if } i = s, \quad \forall k, 1 \leq k \leq q \\ -\tau^k & \text{if } i = d, \quad \forall i, 1 \leq i \leq N \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (\text{A3.12})$$

2. Ensure that the capacities of edges are not exceeded.

$$\sum_{k=1}^q z_{ij}^k \leq u_{ij}, \quad \forall i, j, (i, j) \in E \quad (\text{A3.13})$$

3. Flows cannot be negative.

$$z_{ij}^k \geq 0, \quad \forall i, j, (i, j) \in E, \forall k, 1 \leq k \leq q \quad (\text{A3.14})$$

Justification of FORM 14

The flow of commodity k on edge $i \rightarrow j$ is z_{ij}^k (which may very well be 0, meaning that there is no flow of commodity k on edge $i \rightarrow j$). Since the cost per unit flow on edge $i \rightarrow j$ is c_{ij} , the cost of flow z_{ij}^k is $z_{ij}^k \times c_{ij}$. The objective function in (A3.11) is to find the minimum value of $\sum_{k=1}^q \sum_{(i,j) \in E} z_{ij}^k \times c_{ij}$, the minimum cost for transporting τ^k quantity from s^k to d^k , for all commodities $k, 1 \leq k \leq q$.

(A3.12) is similar to (A3.3), except that there is one set of equations for each commodity, and should be interpreted as follows:

- Case I) ($i = s^k$) Since i is the source of the commodity k , the outflow for commodity k from i is τ^k and the inflow is 0. Thus the difference between the outflow and the inflow must be τ^k .
- Case II) ($i = d^k$) Since i is the destination of the commodity k , the inflow to i for commodity k is τ^k and the outflow is 0. Thus the difference between the outflow and the inflow must be $-\tau^k$.
- Case III) ($i \neq s^k$ and $i \neq d^k$) Since i is neither the source nor the destination of commodity k , the total inflow for commodity k must be matched by the total outflow for commodity k , so that the difference between the outflow and the inflow must be 0.

(A3.13) is like (A3.2) except that the sum of the flows for all commodities cannot exceed the capacity u_{ij} of the edge.

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List of symbols used

$\vec{\mathbf{1}}$: the unit column vector $[1, 1, \dots, 1]$ with $|E|$ elements.

$\vec{\mathbf{0}}$: a vector of all 0s.

$x \rightarrow y$: denotes a fiber in the network from node x to node y (i.e., an edge in physical topology G).

$x \Rightarrow y$: denotes a lightpath in the network from end node x to end node y (i.e., an edge in the logical topology G_L).

α : a string in σ_{sd}^j .

$\alpha_{\mathbf{1}}$: a z -conjugate of α .

α_{oc} : coupling ratio of an optical coupler.

α_{ke} : continuous variable which is only permitted to have a value of either 0 or 1.

A : constraints matrix.

\vec{A}^p : column p of constraints matrix A .

a_{ij} : the element in row i , column j of constraints matrix A .

$\tilde{A}, \tilde{B}, \tilde{T}$: edge-path incidence matrices where each matrix has one row for every physical edge $i \rightarrow j$ and one column for every logical edge in the network.

A_i^{in}, A_i^{out} : Access nodes in a network with traffic grooming capabilities.

\hat{A} : node, logical-edge incidence matrix of graph G_L .

AC : arc-chain incidence matrix of size $m \times \hat{n}$ where m is the number of logical edges and \hat{n} is the total number of chains in the logical network.

AC^k : arc-chain incidence sub-matrix of size $m \times \hat{n}^k$ where m is the number of logical edges and \hat{n}^k is the total number of chains in the logical network for commodity k .

$\overrightarrow{AC_j^k}$: the column vector of AC corresponding to the j^{th} chain of commodity K^k .

$\tilde{a}_{ij}^k, \tilde{b}_{ij}^k, \tilde{t}_{ij}^k$: the entry in the row corresponding to the physical edge $i \rightarrow j$ and the column corresponding to the k^{th} logical edge of the network for matrix \tilde{A}, \tilde{B} , or \tilde{T} respectively.

ac_{ij}^k : the i^{th} element of the j^{th} chain of the k^{th} commodity.

\aleph : number of paths in the logical topology from s to d .

$B(d, k)$: de Bruijn graph of degree d and diameter k .

\overrightarrow{b} : a column vector of $\widehat{n_c}$ nonnegative constants.

b^k : the k^{th} element of vector \overrightarrow{b} .

B : basis matrix.

β : a string in σ_{sd}^j .

b_{ij} : a binary variable such that

$$b_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if a lightpath exists from end node } E_i \text{ to end node } E_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

b_p : a binary variable relevant when lightpath ℓ_p is selected.

\overrightarrow{c} : a vector of cost coefficients where the p^{th} element c_p represents the cost of the p^{th} column of constraints matrix A .

$\overrightarrow{c_B}$: a vector of cost coefficients, each coefficient corresponding to a variable in the basis.

c_i : the i^{th} channel.

c_{ij} : cost/unit flow associated with edge $i \rightarrow j$ in a capacitated network.

\mathcal{C}_i : set of channels.

C_{ij}^{in} : channel node.

C_{ij}^{out} : channel node.

\mathcal{C}_{ij} : channel bypass edge.

χ : list of channel numbers.

c_P^k : the channel assigned to the k^{th} primary path, for all $k, 1 \leq k \leq M$.

c_B^k : the channel assigned to the k^{th} backup path, for all $k, 1 \leq k \leq M$.

$c_{lightpath}$: the capacity of a lightpath (varies from 2.5 to 40.0 Gbps now).

$\overrightarrow{C_j^k}$: the j^{th} chain of the k^{th} commodity.

\mathcal{C}_{ikj} : channel availability edge.

C_m^d : the d -dimensional torus.

$c(G_{\mathfrak{R}}^{\mathcal{I}})$: congestion (load) of a network G having instance \mathcal{I} and using the routing \mathfrak{R} .

Color(i, j) : color assigned to the request (i, j).

d : degree of the de Bruijn graph $B(d, k)$.

deg(G) : maximum degree of graph G .

d_i : the destination of the i^{th} logical edge, $1 \leq i \leq q$.

d_i : the destination of the i^{th} communication request, $1 \leq i \leq q$.

d^k : destination of commodity k .

d_{pr}^e : a precomputed binary coefficient for each pair of end nodes (i, j).

Δ_{in}^i : number of receivers at end node i .

Δ_{in} : a constant denoting the number of receivers at every end node.

Δ_{out} : a constant denoting the number of transmitters at every end node.

Δ_{out}^i : number of transmitters at end node i .

Δ_G : maximum degree of graph G .

δ_k : a continuous variable to characterize whether the backup path of the new connection may share an edge and a channel with the k^{th} backup path, $1 \leq k \leq M$.

δ_e^{kp} : continuous variable which is only permitted to have a value of either 0 or 1.

δ_{ij}^k : a binary variable to denote whether the backup path of the new connection may share a channel with the backup path for the k^{th} connection on the physical edge $i \rightarrow j$.

dest(k) : the destination of the k^{th} (source, destination) pair, $1 \leq k \leq \hat{q}$, having a nonzero value in T .

destination(i) : the destination of logical edge i .

\mathcal{D}_i : demux edge.

E : the set of all pairs of nodes (i, j) such that $i \rightarrow j$ is a physical link (i.e., a fiber connects nodes i and j) in the network.

E : the set of edges in a graph G .

$|E|$: number of edges in a graph G .

$E(G)$: the set of edges of a graph G .

E_i : the i^{th} end node in the network.

E_i^{sd} : an end node for multi-hop communication from E_s to E_d .

\vec{e}^k : a vector $[1, 1, \dots, 1]$ of \hat{n}^k 1s.

E_L : the set of logical edges.

ϵ : a very small constant.

η_e^{kp} : a continuous variable which is only permitted to have a value of either 0 or 1.

$F = [f_{e,\ell}]$: the fiber, logical-edge incidence matrix of size $|E| \times |\mathcal{L}|$, where
 $f_{e,\ell} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if fiber } e \text{ is used by lightpath } \ell, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$

f_p^{sd} : a continuous variable denoting the traffic on logical edge ℓ_p from source end node s to destination end node d .

from(r) : source of request r .

g : the data communication capacity of a single lightpath, using the OC- n notation.

$G = (V, E)$: the (directed) graph model of the physical topology of a network where V is the set of nodes in the network and E is the set of edges.

$G_{\mathfrak{R}}^{\mathcal{I}} = (V_{\mathfrak{R}}, E_{\mathfrak{R}})$: conflict graph (path interference graph).

\mathcal{G}_i : grooming edge.

G_L : the graph model of the logical topology of a network where V is the set of end nodes in the network and E_L is the set of logical edges.

$G_S = (V_s, E_s)$: the graph model of a scalable topology where V_s is the set of vertices in the network and E_s is the set of edges.

γ_e^{kp} : continuous variable which is permitted to have a value of either 0 or 1.

γ_{ij} : a binary variable to denote whether the backup path of the new connection may share a channel with the backup path for any existing connection on the physical edge $i \rightarrow j$.

H : number of hops in a route from E_x to E_y .

H_d : the d -dimensional hypercube.

I_{SD} : collection of source-destination pairs for which route and wavelength assignment needs to be carried out.

I : identity matrix.

\mathcal{I} : an instance of the RWA problem.

I_{one} : one-to-all instance on G with source v .

I_1, I_2 : inputs to an optical coupler.

- $(i, i + 1, \dots, j)$: left-to-right dipath from i to j for a request (i, j) in a bidirectional path.
- $(i, i - 1, \dots, j)$: right-to-left dipath from i to j for a request (i, j) in a bidirectional path.
- (i, j) : communication request from i to j .
- (i, j) : dipath from i to j .
- k : diameter of the de Bruijn graph $B(d, k)$.
- k_B : number of transmitters and receivers in each end node of a broadcast and select network.
- K^k : commodity corresponding to the traffic from source s_k to destination d_k .
- k_{OC} : number of inputs to an OXC.
- ℓ_{sd} : the length of the longest suffix of the string $s = s_k \dots s_2 s_1$ that is also a prefix of $d = d_k \dots d_2 d_1$.
- $\ell(s, d)$: length of the shortest path from s to d .
- λ_i : wavelength of optical carrier.
- λ_{pq} : wavelength to communicate from end node E_p to end node E_q .
- A_{max} : the \mathcal{L} congestion of a logical topology.
- \vec{A} : a column vector $[A_{max}, A_{max}, \dots, A_{max}]$ with m occurrences of the variable A_{max} .
- $\lambda_{i,j}^r$: 1 if the r^{th} request uses the lightpath from i to j as an intermediate logical edge.
- λ_{sd} : wavelength to communicate from s to d .
- \mathcal{L} : set of all potential logical edges in a network.
- ℓ_p : the p^{th} element of \mathcal{L} .
- L_i : the lightpath corresponding to the i^{th} logical edge.
- L_{ij} : the number of lightpaths from i to j .
- \mathcal{L}_{ij} : lightpath edge.
- L : the set of all pairs of end nodes (i, j) such that $i \Rightarrow j$ is a logical edge (i.e., a lightpath exists from end node i end node j).
- L_{ij}^c : the number of lightpaths from i to j using channel c .
- L_i^{new} : a lightpath to replace lightpath L_i if L_i becomes inoperative.
- L_i^P : the primary lightpath corresponding to the i^{th} logical edge.

L_i^B : the backup lightpath corresponding to the i^{th} logical edge.

$L_i^{\text{in}}, L_i^{\text{out}}$: lightpath nodes.

m : number of logical edges.

m_{DM} : number of optical carriers carried by the input to a demultiplexer.

M : number of connections already established in the network.

\mathcal{M}_i : mux edge.

$M_{r,s}$: the $r \times s$ mesh.

μ_i : refractive index of an optical medium.

\hat{M} : the number characterizing the set $S_{\hat{M}}$ containing the largest address in a graph G_S .

\aleph : the number of routes from s_i to d_i in G .

n : a number uniquely identifying an end node in a de Bruijn graph.

n_{oc} : number of inputs to (outputs from) an optical coupler.

N : number of nodes in a capacitated network.

\mathcal{N} : number of nodes (router nodes and end nodes) in a WDM network.

\mathcal{N}_E : number of end nodes in the network.

\mathcal{N}_R : number of router nodes in the network.

N_S : number of vertices in a scalable graph G_S .

N_i : node i (either a router node or an end node) in a network.

N_{max}^{TR} : the maximum value of the number of transmitters or receivers at any end node in the network.

n_{ch} : maximum number of channels that each edge/fiber in this network can accommodate.

n_c : number of input/output port of a switch.

n_{DB} : number of nodes in a de Bruijn graph.

\widehat{n}_c : number of constraints.

\widehat{n}_v : number of variables.

\hat{n} : total number of chains considering all the commodities.

\hat{n}^k : number of chains for the k^{th} commodity.

n_{ij}^{light} : number of lightpaths from end node E_i to E_j .

O_1, O_2 : outputs from an optical coupler.

- Ω_{max} : the maximum number of lightpaths that share the same fiber.
- \mathbf{p} : probability that a channel is used on a fiber.
- $\widehat{\mathbf{p}}$: number of extra edges added to a path in G_S .
- P_n : the bidirectional path of n nodes.
- P : set of left-to-right (or right-to-left) dipaths on a bidirectional path.
- P' : set of transformed dipaths on a bidirectional path/ring.
- $\mathbb{P}, \mathbb{P}_1, \mathbb{P}_2, \mathbb{P}_3$: a path in G_S .
- ζ : number of MNH routes from s_i to d_i .
- $\wp(s, d)$: the shortest path from s to d .
- $\widehat{\mathbf{p}}$: a subpath in the physical topology.
- $\widetilde{\mathbf{p}}$: number of extra edges required for a path in G_S .
- \wp : number of logical paths from a specified source to a specified destination.
- P_b : blocking probability when trying to establish a lightpath.
- $\mathcal{P}_1, \mathcal{P}_2$: power levels of signals to an optical coupler.
- P : number of binary variables in a MILP.
- \mathfrak{P} : shortest path from a source to a destination in the auxiliary graph for traffic grooming.
- P^1 : list of primary paths already established, $[\rho_1^P, \rho_2^P, \dots, \rho_M^P]$.
- P^2 : list of backup paths already established, $[\rho_1^B, \rho_2^B, \dots, \rho_M^B]$.
- P_1, P_2 : lightpaths.
- $P_1^{payload}, P_2^{payload}$: payload of P_1, P_2 .
- $P_{mn}^{i,j,c}$: number of lightpaths from i to j , routed through fiber $m \rightarrow n$ on channel c .
- p_{mn} : the number of fibers from node m to node n .
- q : number of entries in a traffic matrix T with nonzero values.
- q : number of source/destination pairs in an instance for the RWA problem.
- \mathbf{q} : probability that a channel is used on a fiber.
- Q_b : blocking probability when trying to establish a lightpath.
- R_i : i^{th} router node in the network.
- r_i : receiver tuned to the carrier wavelength corresponding to channel i .
- r : number of hops in a broadcast and select network.

R : the set of traffic requests.

R_n : the bidirectional ring of n nodes.

\mathfrak{R} : list of MNH routes.

$\mathfrak{R} = [r_m]$: matrix of traffic requests.

r_u^k : number of receivers at end node u tuned to the wavelength corresponding to channel k .

ρ_i : the route through the physical topology of the lightpath corresponding to the i^{th} logical edge, $1 \leq i \leq q$.

ρ_i : the route selected for the pair (s_i, d_i) in G , $1 \leq i \leq q$.

$\rho_i^1, \rho_i^2, \dots, \rho_i^{\aleph}$: the set of routes from s_i to d_i in G .

ρ_i^P : the route of L_i^P through the physical topology.

\mathcal{R} : number of edge-disjoint routes over the physical topology, between every pair of end nodes.

R : number of edge-disjoint routes over the physical topology, between every pair of end nodes.

$\mathfrak{R} = \{\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_q\}$: routing, i.e., set of selected routes, one for each element in \mathcal{I} .

ρ_{xy}^i : the i^{th} precomputed route from E_x to E_y .

ρ_{xy} : a route from E_x to E_y .

ρ_j^i : the i^{th} precomputed route from source(j) to destination(j) where j denotes the lightpath number.

ρ_j : the selected route from source(j) to destination(j) where j denotes the lightpath number.

ρ_i^B : the route of L_i^B through the physical topology.

RR_i : the number of receivers at end node i .

\mathcal{R}_{ij} : receiver edge.

s^k : source of commodity k .

s_r : the size of request $r \in R$, using the Optical Carrier level OC- n notation, used in the non-bifurcated traffic model.

s_i : the source of the i^{th} logical edge, $1 \leq i \leq q$.

s_i : the source of the i^{th} communication request, $1 \leq i \leq q$.

S_n : the star of $n + 1$ nodes.

σ_{sd} : the string of length $2k - l_{sd}$ given by $s_k \dots s_2 s_1 d_{k-l_{SD}} \dots d_2 d_1$.

σ_{sd}^i : the substring of length k of σ_{sd} starting from the digit i .

$\text{src}(\mathbf{k})$: the source of the k^{th} (source, destination) pair, $1 \leq k \leq \hat{q}$, having a nonzero value in T .

$\text{source}(i)$: the source of the logical edge i .

(S, D) : the pair of nodes for which there is a request for a connection.

$s(d)$: vertex in a de Bruijn graph having address $s_k s_{k-1} \dots s_2 s_1 (d_k d_{k-1} \dots d_2 d_1)$.

S_i : the set of all strings of k digits, $x_k x_{k-1} \dots x_2 x_1$, taking each digit from Z_{d+1} such that the i^{th} digit is d .

s_j^i : i^{th} input to an OXC using channel j .

$T = [t(i, j)]$: a $N_E \times N_E$ matrix, called the traffic matrix. The entry in row i and column j of T gives the traffic from end node i to end node j .

t_i : transmitter tuned to the carrier wavelength corresponding to channel i .

τ_{sd} : maximum traffic that can be sent from s to d .

$\theta_{e_1 e_2}^{kp}$: continuous variable which is only permitted to have a value of either 0 or 1.

t_u^k : number of transmitters at end node u tuned to the wavelength corresponding to channel k .

TR_i : the number of transmitters at end node i .

\mathcal{T}_{ij} : transmitter edge.

$\text{to}(r)$: destination of request r .

u : a variable denoting end node.

u_{ij} : capacity of edge $i \rightarrow j$ in a capacitated network.

$\vec{u}_r = [u_{v,r}]_{v \in V}$: the source-destination column vector for $r \in R$, where

$$u_{v,r} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \text{ is the starting end node for request } r, \\ -1 & \text{if } v \text{ is the terminating end node for request } r, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$u_k u_{k-1} \dots u_2 u_1$: the address of an end node.

Υ^k : the traffic $t(\text{src}(k), \text{dest}(k))$ for the k^{th} commodity, $1 \leq k \leq q$.

\hat{v} : amount of commodity to be shipped.

v : a variable denoting end node.

V_E : set of end nodes.

V_S : set of vertices in a scalable topology.

V : set of nodes (end nodes or router nodes).

V : set of vertices in a graph G .

$|V|$: number of vertices in a graph G .

$V(G)$: the set of vertices of a graph G .

$v_k v_{k-1} \dots v_2 v_1$: the address of an end node.

w : node in a scalable topology.

W : a walk in a graph.

w^1, w^2 : node in a scalable topology with edge to u .

\mathcal{V}_E : $\{v : 1 \leq v \leq \mathcal{N}_E\}$, the set of all numbers identifying the end nodes in the network.

\mathfrak{w} : new vertex to be added to a scalable topology.

\mathfrak{w}_i : i^{th} digit of \mathfrak{w} .

w_{kp} : a binary variable relevant when lightpath ℓ_p is selected.

w_k : a binary variable, for all k , $1 \leq k \leq n_{ch}$, denoting whether channel number k has been used for the primary lightpath.

\wp_{sd}^i : the i^{th} path from s to d in the logical topology.

\wp_{sd} : a shortest path from s to d in the logical topology.

$\mathfrak{w}(G_{\mathfrak{R}}^{\mathcal{I}})$: chromatic number of graph $G_{\mathfrak{R}}^{\mathcal{I}}$.

$\mathfrak{w}(G_{\mathfrak{R}_{min}}^{\mathcal{I}})$: minimum value of $\mathfrak{w}(G_{\mathfrak{R}}^{\mathcal{I}})$ considering all possible routings \mathfrak{R} .

x^i : the i^{th} element of vector \vec{x} .

x : a vertex in G_S .

x_i : a digit in Z_{d+1} .

x_i^s : the i^{th} slack variable.

\vec{x}^s : a column vector of m slack variables so that the elements of \vec{x}^s are $x_1^s, x_2^s, \dots, x_m^s$.

\vec{x}_B : the vector corresponding to the variables in the basis.

x_B^i : the i^{th} element of \vec{x}_B .

x_{ij}^{sd} : a continuous variable to denote the portion of traffic $t(s, d) : t(s, d) > 0$, that is routed through the logical edge $E_i \Rightarrow E_j$.

$\vec{x}_r = [x_{\ell,r}]_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$: the column vector containing lightpath routing variables for $r \in R$, where

$$x_{\ell,r} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if request } r \text{ is allotted to lightpath } \ell, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

x_j^k : a binary variable denoting the flow in the j^{th} chain of the k^{th} commodity.

\widehat{x}_{pr} : a binary variable for the primary path, used if lightpath ℓ_p is selected

\vec{x}^k : the vector $[x_1^k, x_2^k, \dots, x_{n^k}^k]$ of variables.

x_{ij} : a binary variable for finding the (primary) path.

x_{ij}^k : a binary variable for finding the primary path for the k^{th} commodity.

\widehat{x}_{ij}^k : a continuous variable denoting the amount of traffic for commodity k flowing on the logical edge $E_i \Rightarrow E_j$.

X_r : 1 if the r^{th} request has been successfully allocated to a lightpath, 0 otherwise.

X_{ij} : amount of flow on edge (i, j) ,

\mathcal{X}_{ijk} : converter edge.

X_{ij}^k : an integer variable having a value of 0 or 1 where

$$X_{ij}^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ lightpath is routed through the edge } i \rightarrow j, (i, j) \in E \\ & \text{in the physical topology,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

X_{ij}^{wk} : an integer variable having a value of 0 or 1 where

$$X_{ij}^{wk} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ lightpath is routed through the edge } i \rightarrow j, \\ & (i, j) \in E \text{ in the physical topology and is assigned channel } c_w, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

\vec{y} : a vector of simplex multipliers.

y : a vertex in G_S .

\widehat{y}_{pr} : a binary variable for the backup path, used if ℓ_p is selected

Y_j^k : an integer variable having a value of 0 or 1 where

$$Y_j^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the } k^{\text{th}} \text{ lightpath is assigned channel } c_j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$\vec{y}_c = [y_{\ell,c}]_{\ell \in \mathcal{L}}$: the column vector containing channel assignment variables for channel c , $1 \leq c \leq n_{ch}$, where

$$y_{\ell,c} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if channel } c \text{ is assigned to lightpath } \ell, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

y_{ij} : a binary variable for finding the backup path, used for dynamic wavelength allocation with wavelength continuity constraint.

y_{ij}^k : a binary variable for finding the backup path, used for 1:1 path protection in wavelength-convertible networks using static allocation.

z_k : a binary variable, for all k , $1 \leq k \leq n_{ch}$, denoting whether channel number k has been used for the backup lightpath.

z_{kp} : a binary variable relevant when ℓ_p is selected.

z_{ij}^k : continuous variable denoting the amount of flow of commodity number k on the edge $(i, j) \in E$.

Z_d : set of digits $\{0, 1, \dots, d - 1\}$.

Z_d^k : the set of all k -digit strings from Z_d .

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