



# Weighted Acyclic Di-Graph Partitioning by Balanced Disjoint Paths

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# Partitioning Problems - Disjoint Paths

- ▶ Covering all the nodes
- ▶ Each node appears on just one path

*Polynomially solvable - Flow*



## Problem Context

- ▶ Telecommunication networks  
Noninterfering messages
- ▶ Transportation  
Aircraft Rotation Problems



# Problem Definition

- ▶ A directed acyclic graph  $G(V, A)$ ,
- ▶ Find  $K$  disjoint and weight balanced paths  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_K$  such that  
Each node  $V$  is covered by exactly one path.



# Difficulty

- ▶ Objective :  $\min \sum_{k=1}^K c_{p_k}$

Where

- ▶  $c_{p_k} = g\left(\sum_{v \in p_k} w_v\right) = \frac{1}{M}(M - \sum_{v \in p_k} w_v)^2$
- ▶ And  $M$  is the ideal path weight

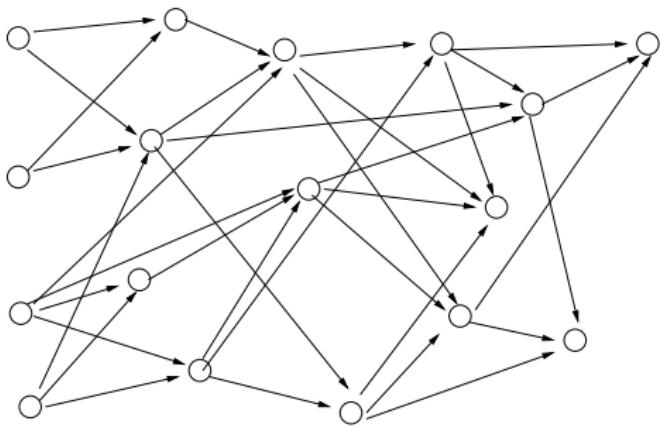
$$M = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{v \in V} w_v$$



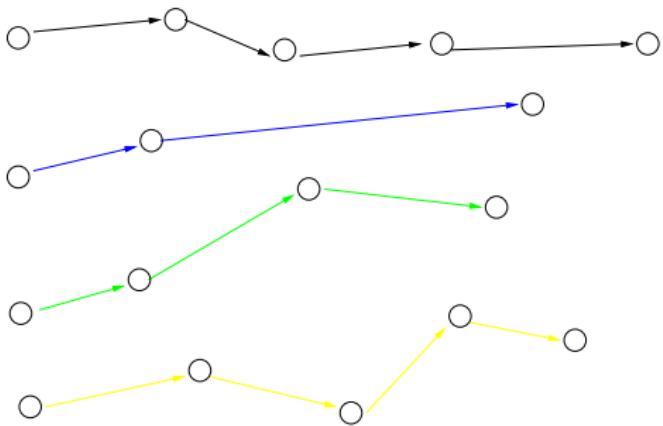
## Similar Problems

- ▶ Finding 2 node disjoint paths with bounded weight on a *DAG* NP-complete
- ▶ Vertex covering by minimum weight paths, on trees NP-Hard (even in unweighted case)
- ▶ Partitioning problem NP-hard

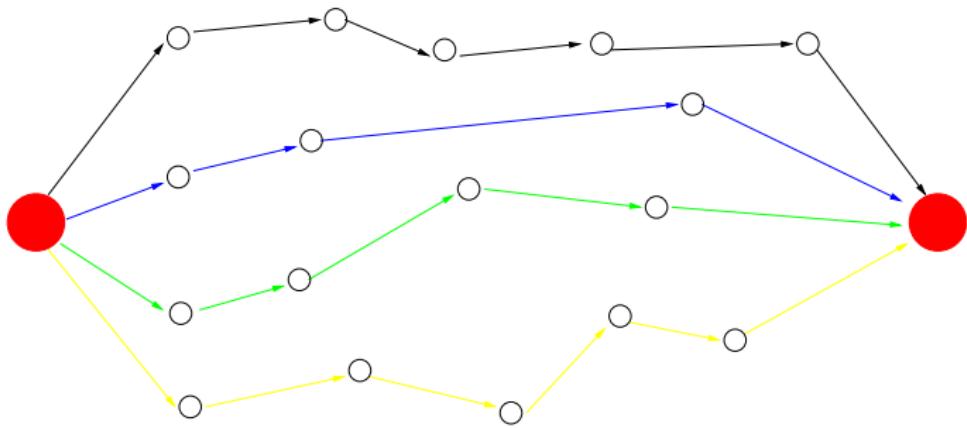
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# Problem Formulation

$$\min \sum_{v \in V \setminus \{s, t\}} \frac{(My_{(s,v)} - x_{(s,v)})^2}{M}$$

subject to

$$\sum_{(v,v') \in \delta^-(v')} y_{v,v'} - \sum_{(v',v) \in \delta^+(v)} y_{v',v} = 0 \quad \forall v' \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$$

$$\sum_{(v,v') \in \delta^-(v')} x_{v,v'} - \sum_{(v',v) \in \delta^+(v')} x_{v',v} = w_{v'} \quad \forall v' \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$$

$$\sum_{v' \in \delta^+(v)} y_{v,v'} = 1 \quad \forall v \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$$

$$\sum_{(s,v') \in \delta^+(s)} y_{s,v'} = K$$

$$x_{v,v'} \leq W_v y_{v,v'} \quad \forall (v, v') \in A$$

$$x_{v,v'} \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall (v, v') \in A$$

# Decomposition Dantzig-Wolfe

- ▶ Master Problem : Combining paths to partition the graph
- ▶ Slave Problem : Finding *good* paths

 **Master Problem**

$$\min \sum_{p \in P} c_p \lambda_p$$

subject to

$$\sum_{p \in P} \lambda_p = K$$

$$\sum_{p \in P | v \in p} \lambda_p = 1 \quad \forall v \in V$$

$$\lambda_p \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall p \in P$$

# Reduced Cost of a Path

$$c_p = g\left(\sum_{v|v \in p} w_v\right)$$

$$\bar{c}_p(u) = g\left(\sum_{v|v \in p} w_v\right) - \sum_{v|v \in p} u_v - u_0$$

Where  $u_v$  and  $u_0$  are the dual variables associated to the node  $v$  and to the first constraint, respectively

# Slave Problem Solution Methods

- ▶ Max Flow - Max Cost to cover all the nodes
- ▶ 2OPT on flow solution to minimize the minimum reduced cost :  
Finding a feasible solution with promising paths.
- ▶ Optimal dynamic programming :

A multi label setting dynamic model to find  $\max \sum_{v \in s \rightarrow v'} u_v$  for

each node  $v'$  for each total weight  $\sum_{v \in s \rightarrow v'} w_v = W_{s \rightarrow v'}$



## Max Flow - Max Cost

- ▶ Flow 1 on graph  $G(V, A)$ :  $cost(a) = \sum_{p|a \in p} \lambda_p \quad \forall a \in A$
- ▶ Flow 2 on graph  $G'(V, A')$ : With only a limited number of exiting arcs from all node  $v$  such that

$$\sum_{p|a \in p} \lambda_p \geq 0.5$$



- ▶ For the paths  $p, p'$  in the solution  $S$ , for every couple of nodes  $v \in p$  and  $v' \in p'$  compute

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{c}_p^{new} &= g(W_{s \rightarrow v} + W_{v' \rightarrow t}) - (U_{s \rightarrow v} + U_{v' \rightarrow t}) \\ \bar{c}_{p'}^{new} &= g(W_{s \rightarrow v'} + W_{v \rightarrow t}) - (U_{s \rightarrow v'} + U_{v \rightarrow t})\end{aligned}$$

Where  $U_{s \rightarrow v}$  is the sum of dual values of the nodes on the path between  $s$  and  $v$

- ▶ If  $\min\{\bar{c}_p^{new}, \bar{c}_{p'}^{new}\} < \min\{\bar{c}_p, \bar{c}_{p'}\}$  then accept the swap

# Dynamic programming

$$f(v, W) = u_v + \max_{v' \in \delta^-(v)} f(v', W - w_v)$$

And naturally

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$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\substack{p \in P(v) \\ \sum_{v \in p} w_v = W}} \bar{c}_p(u) &= g(W) - f(v, W) \end{aligned}$$

Where  $P(v)$  is the set of paths ending at the node  $v$

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$$\theta_1^*(u) = K \times \min_{p \in P} \tilde{c}_p(u) + \sum_{v \in V} u_v$$

$$\theta_2^*(u) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{K}} \min_{p \in P(v_i)} \tilde{c}_p(u) + \sum_{v \in V} u_v$$

Where  $P(v_i)$  is the set of paths ending with the node  $v_i$   
 So each path ends at a different node

Obviously  $\theta_2^*(u) \geq \theta_1^*(u)$

# Instance Characteristics

Table: General DAG with 700 nodes and  $K = 80$

A_0.05	5%	$w_{min} = 40$	$w_{max} = 120$
A_0.10	10%	$w_{min} = 40$	$w_{max} = 120$
A_0.15	15%	$w_{min} = 40$	$w_{max} = 120$
A_0.20	20%	$w_{min} = 40$	$w_{max} = 120$
A_0.25	25%	$w_{min} = 40$	$w_{max} = 120$
B_0.05	5%	$w_{min} = 1$	$w_{max} = 1$
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Table: Flight-like nodes with 700 nodes,  $w_{min} = 40, w_{max} = 120, K = 80$

F_40_80	$wait_{min} = 40$	$wait_{max} = 80$	nb arcs : 14 405
F_40_100	$wait_{min} = 40$	$wait_{max} = 100$	nb arcs : 20 468
F_40_120	$wait_{min} = 40$	$wait_{max} = 120$	nb arcs : 26 887
F_40_150	$wait_{min} = 40$	$wait_{max} = 150$	nb arcs : 36 377
F_40_240	$wait_{min} = 40$	$wait_{max} = 240$	nb arcs : 60 791

# RMP Linear Relaxation vs Lagrangean Relaxation

Restricted Master Linear Relaxation 1 :

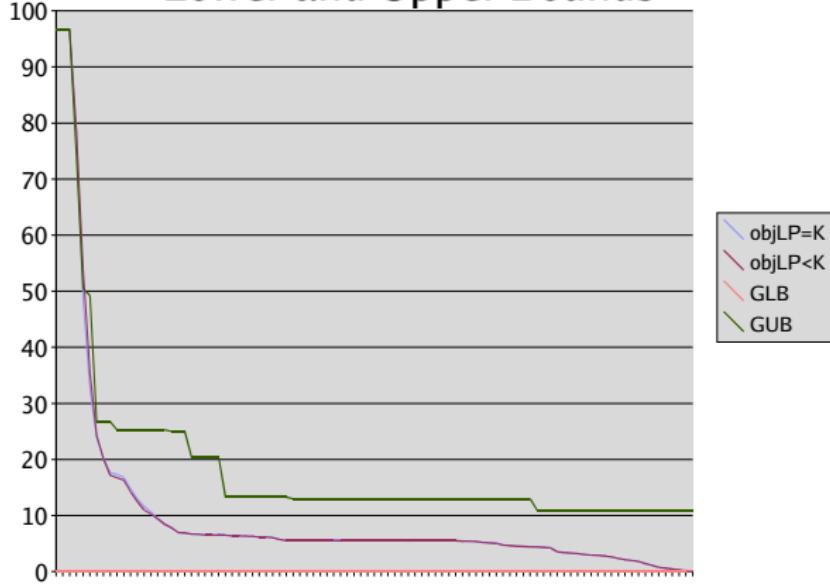
$$\sum_{p \in P} \lambda_p = K$$

Restricted Master Linear Relaxation 2 :

$$\sum_{p \in P} \lambda_p \leq K$$

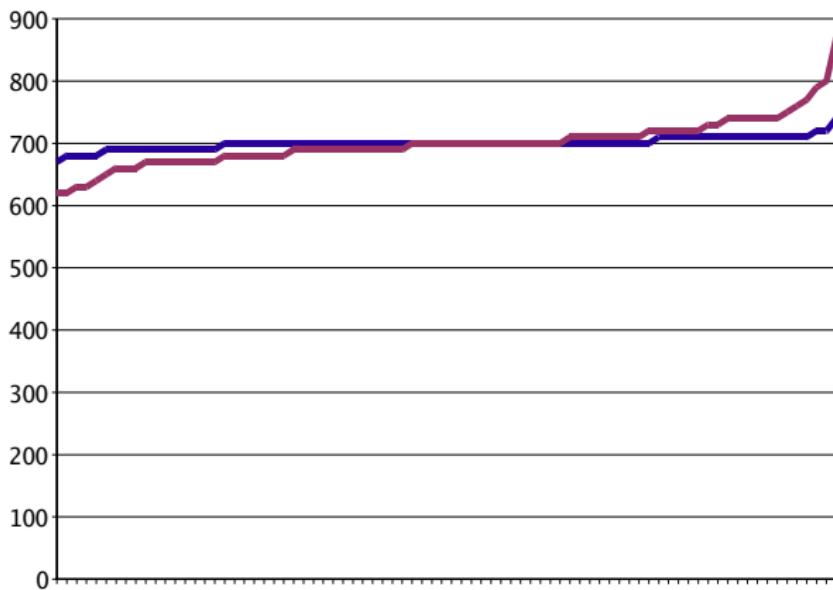
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## Lower and Upper Bounds



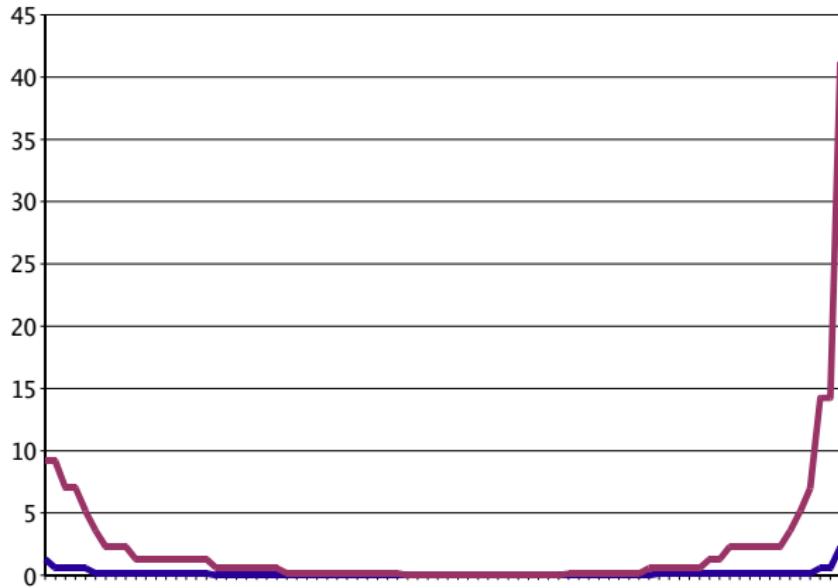
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## Initial and Final Solutions



# RMP Linear Relaxation vs Lagrangean Relaxation

## Initial and Final Solution Costs



# Numerical Results

Instance	iter	$Z_{LP1}^*$	$Z_{LP2}^*$	GLB	GUB	Columns
A_0.05	95	0,141	0,070	0,141	10,996	9649
A_0.10	18	0,141	0,002	0,141	7,282	4913
A_0.15	11	0,141	0,002	0,141	3,283	3216
A_0.20	7	0,141	0,096	0,141	0,712	1918
A_0.25	6	0,141	0,106	0,141	0,427	1467
B_0.05	34	1,714	0,555	1,714	1,714	4648
B_0.10	6	1,714	0,940	1,714	1,714	1484
B_0.15	6	1,714	0,892	1,714	1,714	1586
B_0.20	6	1,714	0,937	1,714	1,714	1552
B_0.25	5	1,714	1,714	1,714	1,714	1217
F_40_80	6	2,945	2,945	2,945	2,945	1639
F_40_100	6	2,624	1,665	2,624	2,624	1839
F_40_120	5	2,689	2,689	2,689	2,689	1195
F_40_150	5	2,120	2,120	2,120	2,120	1064
F_40_240	5	1,946	1,946	1,946	1,946	1102

# Total CPU Time (in sec.) per Method

Instance	Total	Master	Slave	Flow	2OPT
A_0.05	473	265	56	8	133
A_0.10	153	27	19	9	85
A_0.15	176	24	13	4	109
A_0.20	161	13	10	5	96
A_0.25	161	8	9	3	91
B_0.05	63	15	1	2	45
B_0.10	53	5	0	2	46
B_0.15	152	5	0	3	143
B_0.20	184	5	3	4	170
B_0.25	172	2	0	5	162
F_40_80	210	9	0	2	199
F_40_100	253	8	1	1	242
F_40_120	262	4	2	1	255
F_40_150	169	2	2	4	160
F_40_240	290	2	2	3	282

## Conclusions

- ▶ Gap between lower and upper bounds when the graph is sparse
- ▶ Optimality proof of heuristic approach when the graph is dense
- ▶ 2-OPT and Master problem are dominating the resolution time



- ▶ More tests to come
- ▶ Improving the lower bound
- ▶ Branch & Price for the sparse graphs to show the optimality



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