

Arc selection by reduced cost

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Optimization Problem

Master problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_X \quad & \sum_{j \in J} c_j \cdot X_j && J = \{\text{Admissible paths}\} \\ & \sum_{j \in J} a_{v,j} X_j = 1, \forall v \in V && (\alpha_v) \text{ Flights covering} \\ & \sum_{j \in J} b_j^k X_j \leq d^k, \forall k \in K && (\beta_k) \text{ Supplementary constraints} \\ & X_j \in \{0; 1\} && \text{Decision variables} \end{aligned}$$

Sub-problems:

- One per base & one per day
- Shortest Paths with Resource Constraints

What would we want?

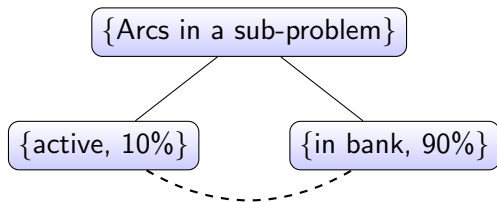


Figure: Naive idea

Focus on Sub-problems

For every arc (r, s)

- receive from MP reduced cost:

$$\bar{c}_{r,s} = c_{r,s} - \sum_{v \in V} a_{v,(r,s)} \cdot \alpha_v - \sum_{k \in K} b_{r,s}^k \cdot \beta_k$$

- compute a full Arc-Reduced cost WITH sub-problem dual values:

$$\bar{\bar{c}}_{r,s} = \bar{c}_{r,s} - \pi_s^M + \pi_r^M$$

$\pi_i^M =$ minimum cost from origin to i

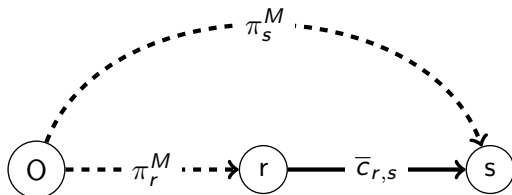


Figure: Illustration of full Arc-Reduced Cost

Focus on Sub-problems

- compute a Path-Reduced cost that uses (r, s) :

$$\bar{c}_{r,s}^P = \bar{c}_{r,s} - \pi_s^m + \pi_r^M$$

π_j^m = minimum cost from destination to j

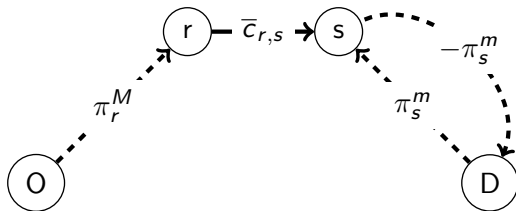


Figure: Illustration of full Path-Reduced cost - Backward labeling coming up

Why bi-directional?

We compute:

- all forward labels as before - π_r^M - blue arcs;
- and now all backward labels - π_s^m - red arcs;
- green arcs are in the bank.

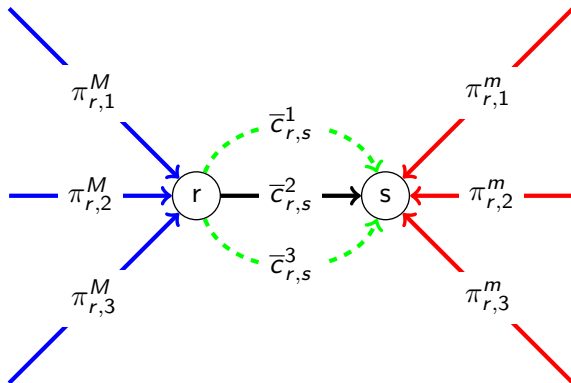
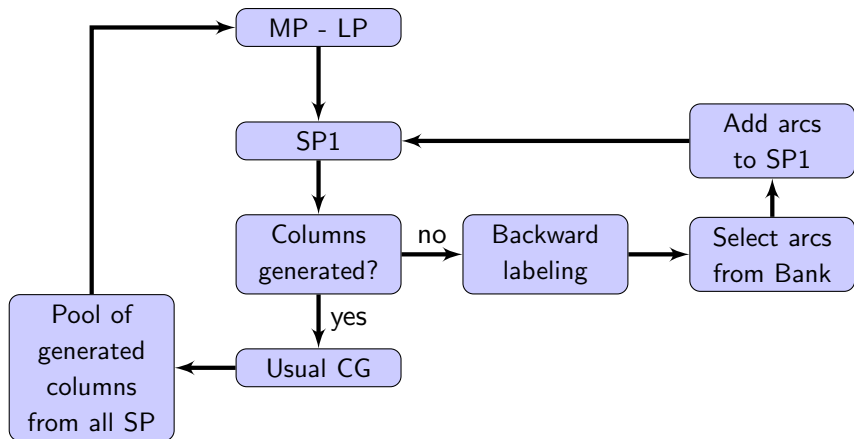


Figure: Selection of best green arcs to add

Simplified Algorithm



- Coding on the way (!) on AdOpt' pairing generator
- Challenges:
 - deal with resources
 - set-up the bank structure
 - manage dominance in the SPP
- Have just enough to survive then choose and pick the cherries