

## Dual ascent example

Lagrangian Dual  
of SCP

(Solved via dual ascent)

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Set(s) 23 24 25 removed from problem  
(P= 16 17 22 > 14 = incumbent!)  
# sets remaining is 22
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Iteration # 1
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Current multipliers:

i		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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w[i]		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Solving Lagrangian relaxation:

\*\*\* Dual value is 0 \*\*\*

Sets in cover: #

Points not covered: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Heuristic solution cost is 12

\*\*\* New incumbent! \*\*\* Cover is 2 4 7

with cost 12

Dual ascent step

*indicates that point 8 is not now covered.. its multiplier is too small*

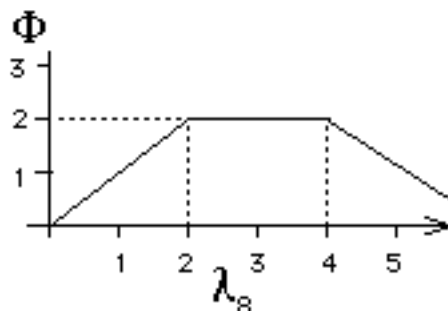
Selecting multiplier  $w[8] = 0$  with subgradient = 1  
Sets not in solution which cover #8 are:

1 6 7 10 13 14 18 20 21 22

$X[1]$  enters when  $w[8]$  is 2

$X[6]$  enters when  $w[8]$  is 4

Updated  $w[8] = 2 = \text{Max}\{0, (1-\alpha) \times 2 + \alpha \times 4\}$  where  $\alpha = 0$   
Anticipated improvement: 2



Point #8 is arbitrarily selected as one of the uncovered points. Its multiplier should be increased to provide incentive for a set to cover it.

Iteration # 2
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Current multipliers:

i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
w(i)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

Solving Lagrangian relaxation:

\*\*\* Dual value is 2 \*\*\*

Sets in cover: # 1

Points not covered: 1 3 4 5 6 7

Set(s) 16 17 19 22 removed from problem

(P= 13 13 14 14 > 12 = incumbent!)

# sets remaining is 18

### Dual ascent step

Selecting multiplier  $w[3] = 0$  with subgradient = 1

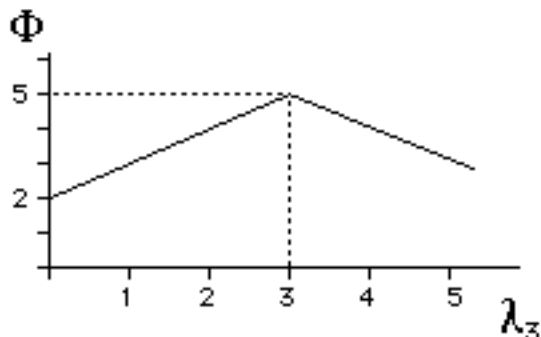
Sets not in solution which cover #3 are: 2 3 4 7 14

$X[2]$  enters when  $w[3]$  is 3

$X[3]$  enters when  $w[3]$  is 3

Updated  $w[3] = 3 = \text{Max}\{0, (1-\alpha) \times 0 + \alpha \times 3\}$  where  $\alpha = 1$

Anticipated improvement: 3



Iteration # 3
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Current multipliers:

i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
w[i]	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	2

Solving Lagrangian relaxation:

\*\*\* Dual value is 5 \*\*\* (Improvement: 3)

Sets in cover: # 1 2

Points not covered: 5 6

Set(s) 18 20 21 removed from problem

(P= 14 15 15 > 12 = incumbent!)

# sets remaining is 15

### Dual ascent step

Selecting multiplier  $w[6] = 0$  with subgradient = 1

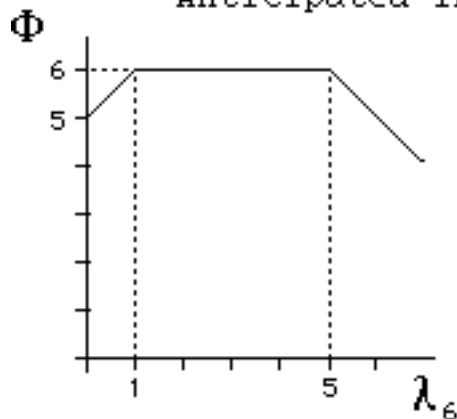
Sets not in solution which cover #6 are: 4 8 13 15

X[4] enters when  $w[6]$  is 1

X[8] enters when  $w[6]$  is 5

Updated  $w[6] = 1 = \text{Max}\{0, (1-\alpha) \times 1 + \alpha \times 5\}$  where  $\alpha = 0$

Anticipated improvement: 1



Iteration # 4
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Current multipliers:

i		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
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w(i)		0	0	3	0	0	1	0	2

Solving Lagrangian relaxation:

\*\*\* Dual value is 6 \*\*\* (Improvement: 1)

Sets in cover: # 1 2 4

Points not covered: 5