# Dual ascent example

Lagrangian Dual of SCP

(Solved via dual ascent)

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



This Hypercard stack was prepared by: Dennis L. Bricker, Dept. of Industrial Engineering, University of Iowa,

Iowa City, Iowa 52242

e-mail: dennis-bricker@uiowa.edu

# Iteration # 1

Current multipliers:

i 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 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

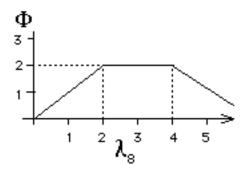
indicates that point 8 is not now covered... its multiplier is too small

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 = 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.

@D.L.Bricker, U. of IA, 1998

Iteration # 2

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

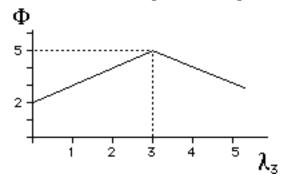
Set(s) 16 17 19 22 removed from problem (P= 13 13 14 14 > 12 = incumbent!) # sets remaining is 18

#### 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 = Max $\{0,(1-\alpha)\times 3 + \alpha\times 3\}$  where  $\alpha=0$  Anticipated improvement: 3



@D.L.Bricker, U. of IA, 1998

# Iteration # 3

Current multipliers:

#### 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 = Max{0,(1- $\alpha$ )× 1 +  $\alpha$ ×5} where  $\alpha$ = 0 Anticipated improvement: 1

@D.L.Bricker, U. of IA, 1998

# Iteration # 4

Current multipliers:

# Solving Lagrangian relaxation:

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

Sets in cover: # 1 2 4 Points not covered: 5