

Integer and Nonlinear Optimization

Exercise 3

Problem 1

Prove Lemma 2.7. of the lecture (totally unimodular matrices).

Problem 2

Prove Lemma 2.8 and Lemma 2.9 of the lecture (sufficient condition for total unimodularity and total unimodularity of digraphs and bipartite graphs).

Problem 3

Check whether the following matrices are TU.

$$A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Problem 4

Show that the following system is not TDI, although it has integer optimal solutions.

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 + x_6 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \geq 1 \\ & x_1 + x_4 + x_5 \geq 1 \\ & x_2 + x_4 + x_6 \geq 1 \\ & x_3 + x_5 + x_6 \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

(Hint: Find the optimal solution of the dual.)

Is the constraint matrix totally unimodular?