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Complementary Slackness!

Concepts

- (Sec. 2.4) *basis, basic variable, nonbasic variable, basic solution, basic feasible solution, canonical form.*
- (Sec. 2.8) *hyperplane, halfspace, line, line segment, convex, polyhedron, tight inequality, extreme point.*
- (Sec. 3.1) *dual LP, Weak duality theorem.*
- (Sec. 4.1) *complementary slackness*

1. What is an example of a minimum cost perfect matching problem?

2. Model the problem as an IP.

3. Find its dual and try to interpret its *meaning*.

4. Given a dual feasible y , what is the *reduced cost* of an edge?

5. Given a minimum cost perfect matching IP and dual feasible y , explain why an optimal solution of the IP with reduced cost edges is an optimal solution of the original IP.

6. What is *complementary slackness*? What is the *Complementary Slackness Theorem*?