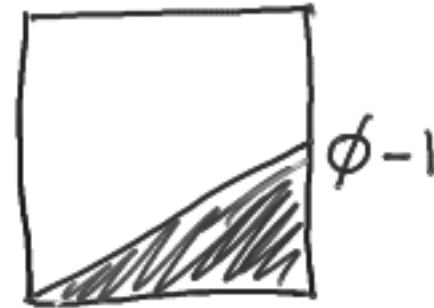


Adaptive Local Ratio



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- Background
- Data Migration
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Primal-dual & Local-Ratio

Won't assume any prev. Knowledge

Bad news: we'll use these a lot

Good news: easy to understand!

Minimum Perfect Matching

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$$y_i \cdot \frac{w_{ij}}{z_j}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{(i,j) \in M} w_{ij} \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & (i,j) \in M \\ & M \text{ is perfect} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_i (y_i - z_i) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_i - z_j \leq w_{ij} \quad \forall i,j \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{(i,j) \in M} w_{ij} \geq \sum_{(i,j) \in M} (y_i - z_j) = \sum_i (y_i - z_i)$$

Minimum Perfect Matching

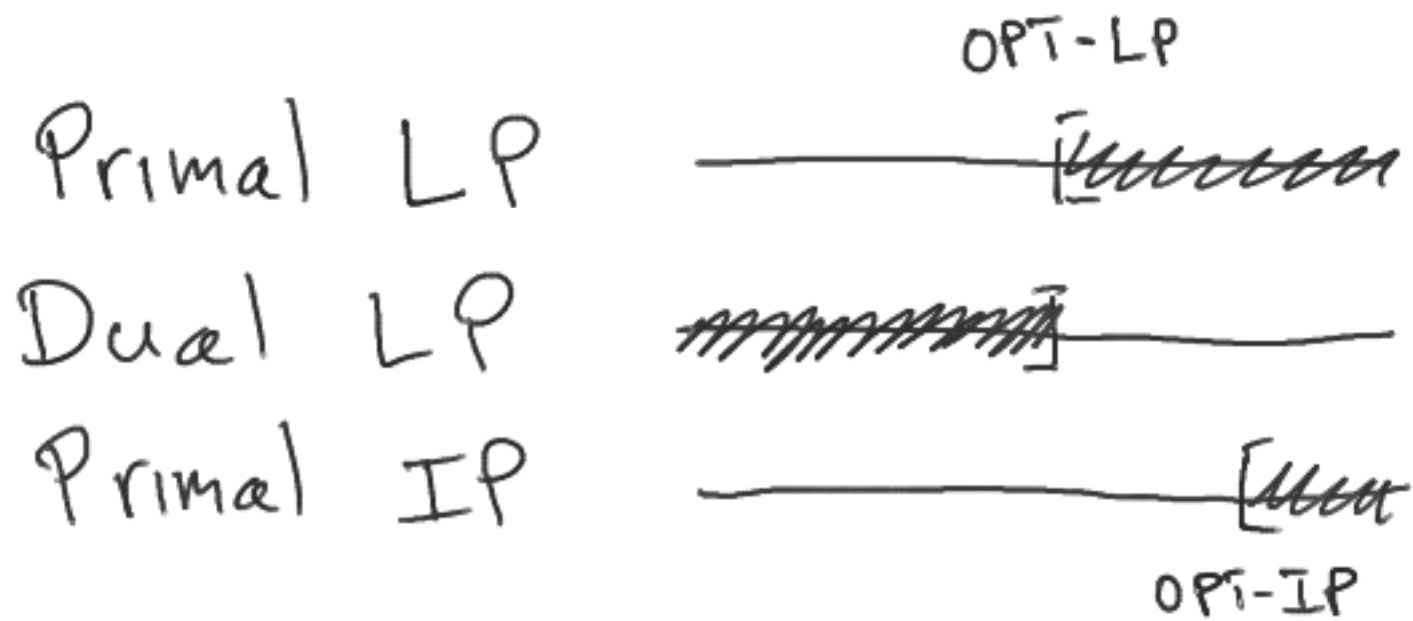
$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_{i,j} w_{ij} x_{ij} \\ \text{s.t.} & \sum_i x_{ij} \leq 1 \\ & \sum_j x_{ij} \geq 1 \\ & x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{aligned} \max & \sum_i (y_i - z_i) \\ \text{s.t.} & y_i - z_j \leq w_{ij} \\ & y_i, z_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

LP duality!

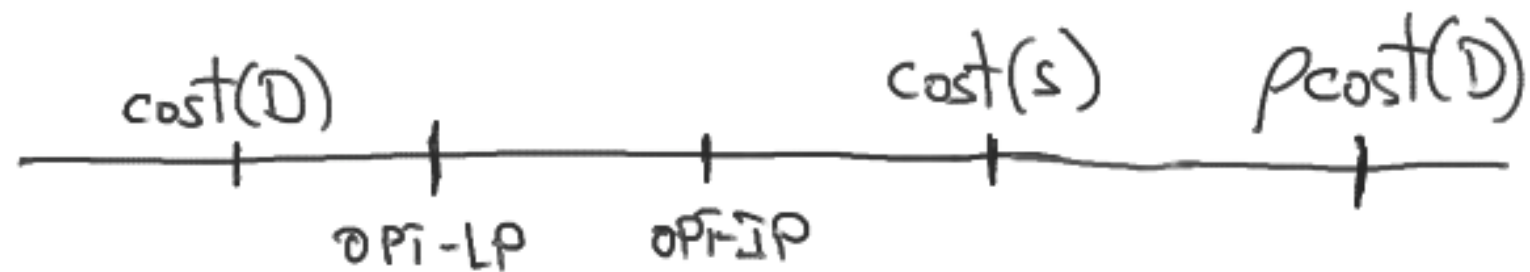
LP Duality



For some lucky problems $LP = IP$

Primal-dual Algorithm

- Construct a dual solution D
- Construct an integral solution S
- Argue that $\text{cost}(S) \leq \rho \text{cost}(D)$



Local Ratio

Alternative approach, doesn't require LP

- Decompose $w = w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n$
- Construct a solution S
- Argue $w_k(S) \leq \rho w_k(A) \quad \forall A$

$\Rightarrow S$ is ρ -approximate

Primal-dual & Local-Ratio

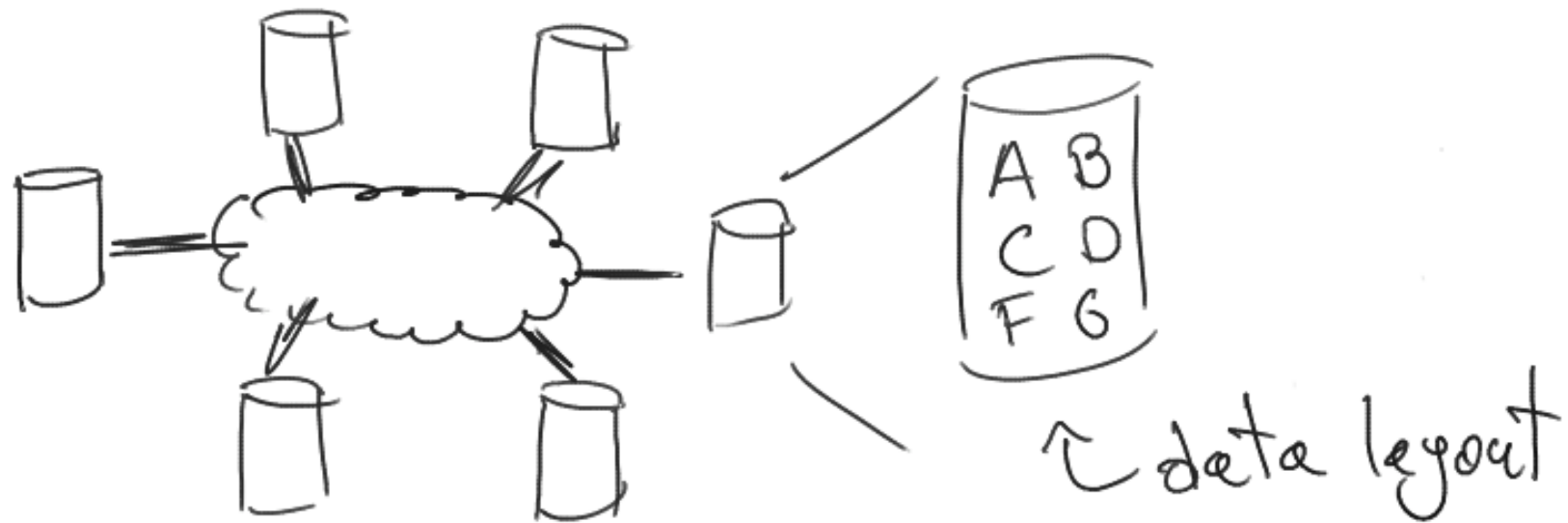
- Equivalent paradigms
- Hundreds of papers
- Weight decomp. using "simple" models

Optimizing the LR can pay off!

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The Data Migration Problem



- # of requests per item
- disk load

←
may change over time

Data Migration

Transfer graph $G=(V,E)$ $\begin{cases} V: \text{disks} \\ E: \text{transfers} \end{cases}$

Want to schedule the transfers \equiv Partition E into matchings M_1, \dots, M_k

Objective : $\min \sum_r w_r C_r$

Previous Results

- NP-hard
- 3-approx (LP rounding) [K03]
- shown to be tight [GHKS]
- 3-approx (primal-dual) [GM]

Decompose $w = w_1 + w_2 + \dots + w_n$

[$k=0$] for $v \in V$ do $l(v) \leftarrow \text{nil}$

[$k \geq 1$] // let $UN(\mu) = \{v \in N(\mu) \mid l(v) = \text{nil}\}$

choose μ maximizing $\Delta = |UN(\mu)|$

and a model \hat{w} with support in $UN(\mu)$

$w_k \leftarrow \min \left\{ \frac{w(v)}{\hat{w}(v)} \mid \hat{w}(v) \neq 0 \right\} \hat{w}$ // $w_k \leq w$

$w \leftarrow w - w_k$

for $v \in UN(\mu) \wedge w(v) = 0$ do $l(v) \leftarrow \Delta$

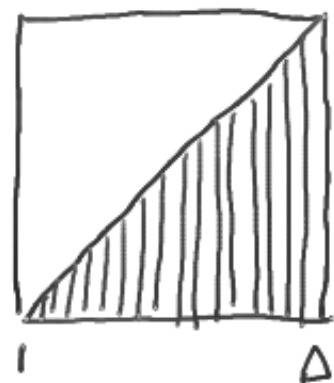
Construct a solution S

- Sort $(u, v) \in E$ by $\begin{cases} \min(l(u), l(v)) \\ \max(l(u), l(v)) \end{cases}$
- Greedily schedule E in order

Lemma [6M]: every $v \in V$ finishes by $l(v) + d_v - 1$

Bounding the Local Ratio

$$\hat{\omega}(v) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v \in UN(\mu) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Lemma [GM]: $\hat{\omega}(S) \leq 3 \hat{\omega}(A) \quad \forall A$

Using two models

$$\hat{\omega}(S) = \mathbb{I} \{ r \in UN(\mu) \}, \text{ or}$$

$$\hat{\omega}(S) = \mathbb{I} \{ \forall x \in UN(\mu) \cdot dx \leq dr \}$$



Lemma: $\hat{\omega}(S) \leq 2.82 \hat{\omega}(A) \quad \forall A$

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Using the best model

Find $\hat{\omega}$ minimizing $\frac{UB(\hat{\omega})}{LB(\hat{\omega})}$

$$UB(\hat{\omega}) = \sum_i \hat{\omega}_i (d_i + \Delta - 1)$$

$$LB(\hat{\omega}) = \min_M \sum_{(i,j) \in M} \hat{\omega}_i \max(d_i, j)$$

Towards an LP formulation

$$\rho(d) = \min \frac{UB(\hat{\omega})}{LB(\hat{\omega})} = \min UB(\hat{\omega})$$

s.t. $\hat{\omega}_i \geq 0$

s.t. $LB(\hat{\omega}) \geq 1$
 $\hat{\omega}_i \geq 0$

$$UB(\hat{\omega}) = \sum_i \hat{\omega}_i (d_i + \Delta - 1)$$

$$LB(\hat{\omega}) = \min_M \sum_{(i,j) \in M} \hat{\omega}_i \max(d_i, j)$$

Towards an LP formulation

$$P(d) = \min \sum_i \hat{w}_i (d_i + \Delta - 1)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum_{(i,j) \in M} \hat{w}_i \max(d_i, j) \geq 1 \quad \forall M$$
$$\hat{w}_i \geq 0$$

ELIPSOID METHOD IS NOT PRACTICAL

Succinct LP formulation

$$p(d) = \min \sum_i \hat{w}_i (d_i + \Delta - 1)$$

$$\text{s.t.} \quad \sum (y_i - z_i) \geq 1$$

$$y_i - z_j \leq \hat{w}_i \max(d_{i,j})$$

$$\hat{w}_i, y_i, z_i \geq 0$$

Bounding the Local Ratio

Def: $\rho = \sup_d \rho(d)$

Thm: S is ρ -approximate and this is tight

Now we only need to bound ρ

Experimental Evaluation

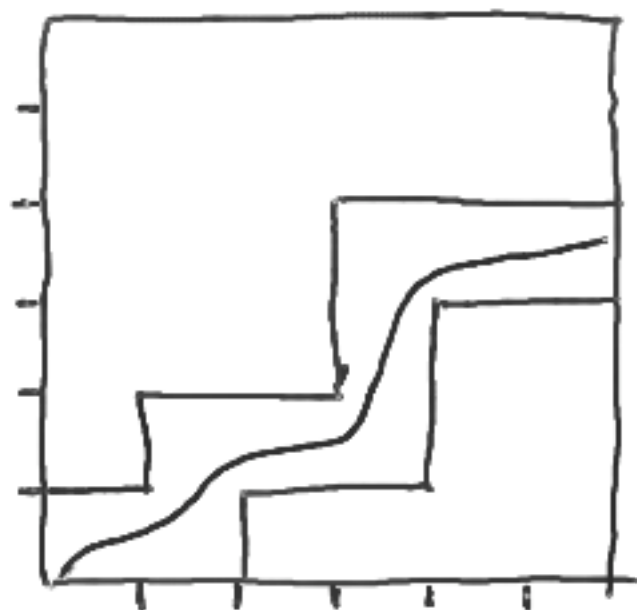
Exhaustive search
for small values of Δ

$$\rho_{\Delta} = \max_{d: |d| = \Delta} \rho(d)$$

| Δ | ρ_{Δ} |
|----------|-----------------|
| 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 1.5 |
| 3 | 1.7273 |
| 4 | 1.9310 |
| 5 | 2.0115 |
| 6 | 2.1042 |
| 7 | 2.1863 |
| 8 | 2.2129 |
| 9 | 2.2589 |
| 10 | 2.2857 |

| Δ | ρ_{Δ} |
|----------|-----------------|
| 20 | 2.4453 |
| 30 | 2.5006 |
| 40 | 2.5275 |
| 50 | 2.5447 |
| 60 | 2.5556 |
| 70 | 2.5667 |
| 80 | 2.5728 |
| \vdots | \vdots |
| ∞ | ? |

Experimental Evaluation



Let k be grid size
Error $\rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$\# \text{paths} = C_k \sim \frac{4^k}{k^{1.5}}$$

STILL RUNNING AFTER TWO WEEKS!



$$\rho = \sup_d \rho(d)$$

$$\rho_\Delta = \max \alpha$$

$$\sum_i x_{ij} \geq \alpha \quad \forall j$$

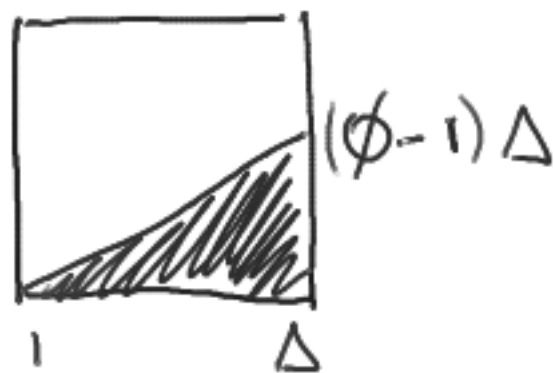
$$\sum_j x_{ij} \leq \alpha \quad \forall i$$

$$\sum_j x_{ij} \max(d_i, j) \leq d_i + \Delta - 1 \quad \forall i$$

$$d_i, x_{ij}, \alpha \geq 0$$

Thm: $\rho = 1 + \phi \approx 2.61$

Intuition:



- weights exploit irregularities of d
- if d is "flat", only two models are useful

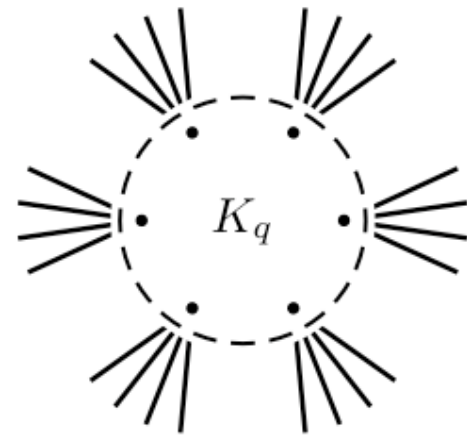
Concluding Remarks

- Generalizations
- First LP-guided local-ratio Alg
- Optimizing the local ratio can make a difference

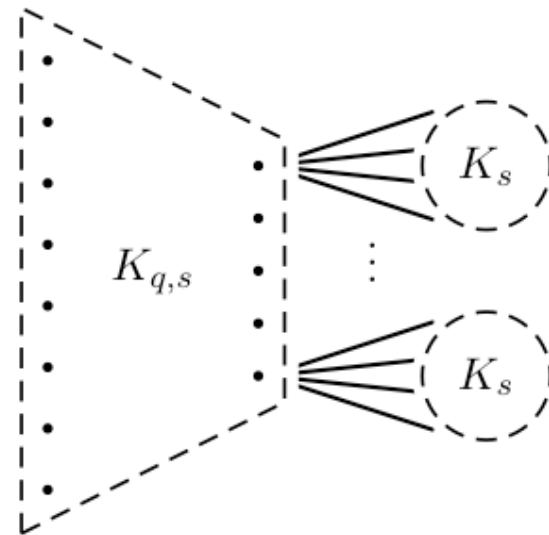
Thanks for
your attention !

Do you really need $l(\cdot)$?

Forget about $l(\cdot)$
and just go with greedy



Sort $(u,v) \in E$ by

$$\begin{cases} \min(d_u, d_v) \\ \max(d_u, d_v) \end{cases}$$


Thanks for
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