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Example

n projects that could be undertaken
if activated project i will yield c_i in profit.

There are m periods and at most k projects can start.
Project i would require a_{ij} dollars in period i .

There are b_i dollars available in period i .

Which projects should be undertaken to maximise profit?

$$\text{Maximize profit} = C_1 x_1 + C_2 x_2 + \dots + C_n x_n$$

Subject to

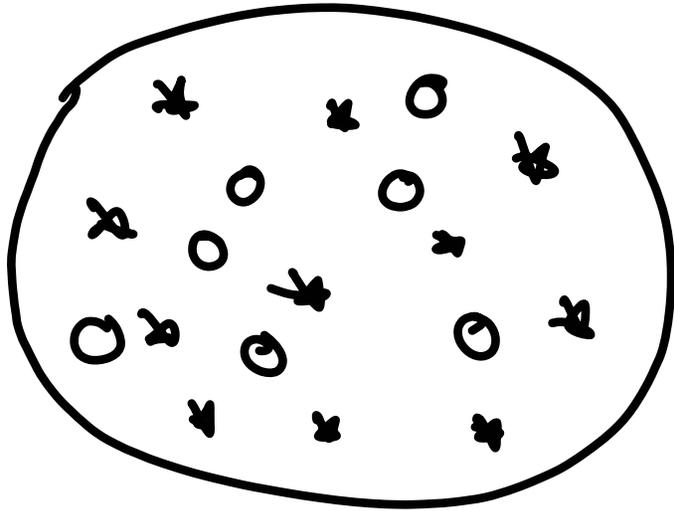
$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_i, \quad i=1,2,\dots,m$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n \leq k$$

$$x_j = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad (0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \text{ and integer})$$

$x_j = 1$ iff project j goes ahead.

Plant Location



Customer *

Possible site \circ
of plant

f_i = cost of a plant at site i

C_{ij} = cost of supplying j from i .

Minimise cost of building plants and shipping goods.

Minimize

$$\sum_{i=1}^m f_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n c_{ij} x_{ij}$$

Building Cost + Shipping Cost

$$\sum_{i=1}^m x_{ij} = 1 \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$x_{ij} \leq y_i \quad \begin{array}{l} i = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ j = 1, 2, \dots, n \end{array}$$

$$y_i = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$y_i = 1$ iff build plant i

Can relax this
to $0 \leq x_{ij} \leq 1$

$$x_{ij} = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

$x_{ij} = 1$ iff i supplies j

Set Covering Problem

Given sets $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n \subseteq S = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$

Costs c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n

$I \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ is a cover if $\bigcup_{i \in I} S_i = S$

$$c(I) = \sum_{i \in I} c_i$$

Problem: Find cover I that minimises $c(I)$

Minimize $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & i \in S_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$i \in \bigcup S_j$
 $\{j : x_j = 1\}$
 for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

For each i
 there must be
 a j such
 $x_j = 1$ and $i \in S_j$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \geq 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m$$

$$x_j = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad x_j = 1 \text{ iff } S_j \in \text{cover}$$

Airline

$S = \{ \text{flight legs} \}$

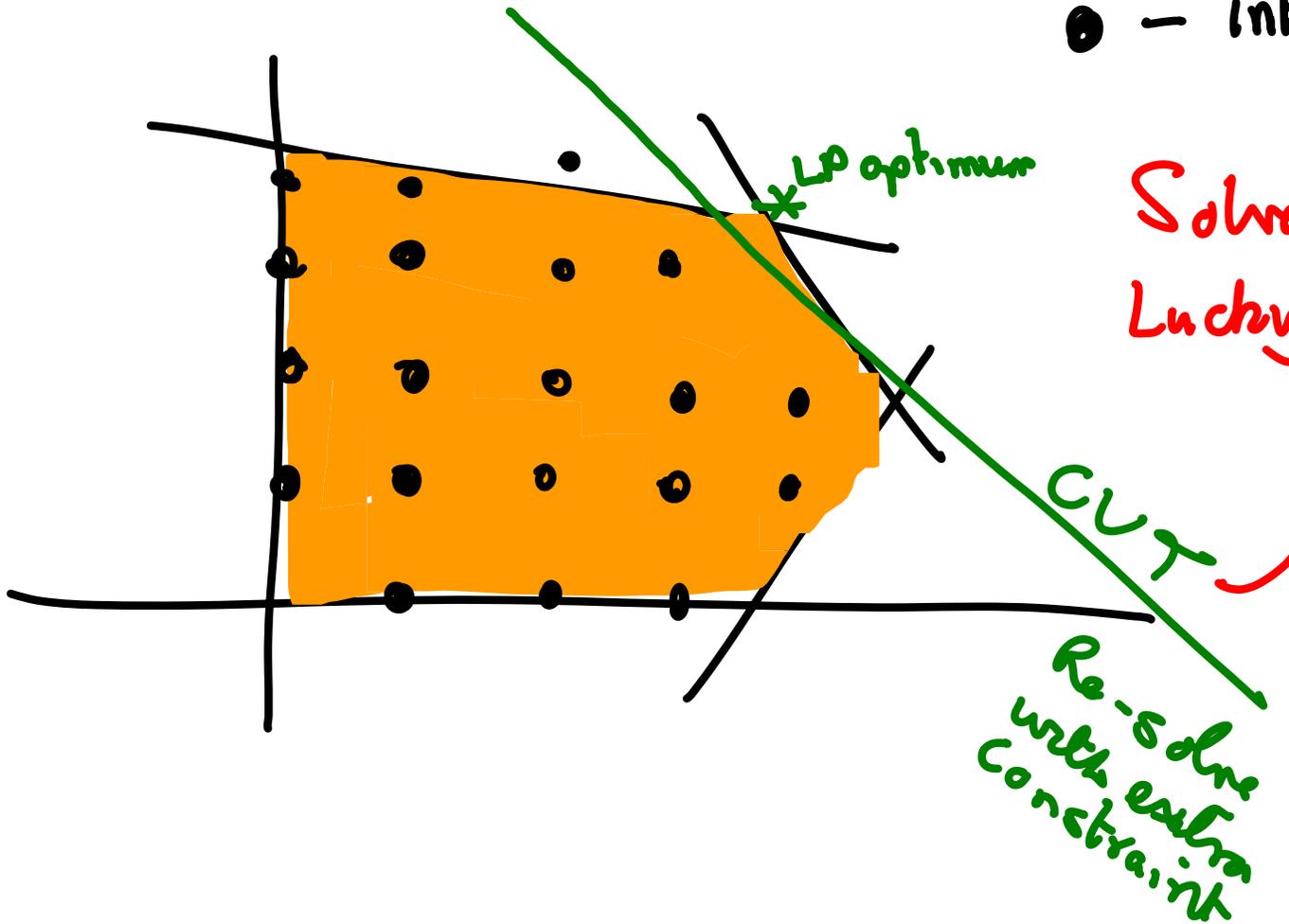
eg. Pittsburgh \rightarrow Newark

$S_i = \{ \text{set of legs that can be flown by a single crew} \}$

Pittsburgh \rightarrow Newark, Newark \rightarrow Toronto

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Cutting Plane Algorithm



Solve LP

Lucky - optimum is

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1: cuts off LP optimum

2: does not cut off any ●