

# Combinatorial Optimization

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1. Weak duality theorem.
2. Strong duality theorem.
3. Slack and Surplus variables.
4. Weak complementary slackness theorem.
5. Strong complementary slackness theorem.
6. Complementary slackness for canonical form. Let  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{c}$ . If  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and  $\mathbf{y}^*$  are the primal and dual optimal, then,  $x_j^* \cdot t_j^* = 0, \forall j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $s_i^* \cdot u_i^* = 0, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ .

**Proof:**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{x}^* &= (\mathbf{y}^* \cdot \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{t}^*) \cdot \mathbf{x}^* \\ &= \mathbf{y}^* \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x}^* - \mathbf{t}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^* \\ &= \mathbf{y}^* \cdot (\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{s}^*) - \mathbf{t}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^* \\ &= \mathbf{y}^* \cdot \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{y}^* \cdot \mathbf{s}^* - \mathbf{t}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^* \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{y}^* \cdot \mathbf{s}^* + \mathbf{t}^* \cdot \mathbf{x}^* &= 0\end{aligned}$$

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7. Graphical Solution.
8. The Simplex method (Samir's notes).