- 1. Text NW: p.109 113, #1, #2, #3, #4, #6
- Consider the constraint set of a 0-1 knapsack problem Σ<sub>j∈N</sub> a<sub>j</sub>x<sub>j</sub> ≤ b, x ∈ B<sup>n</sup>. We say that C⊂N is a dependent set if Σ<sub>j∈C</sub>a<sub>j</sub> > b. Otherwise C is independent. We also say that a dependent set is minimal if no proper subset of it is dependent. Let C be a minimal dependent set and E(C) = C ∪ {j∈N: a<sub>j</sub> ≥ max<sub>i∈C</sub>a<sub>i</sub>}. Then Σ<sub>j∈C</sub>x<sub>j</sub> ≤ |C| 1 (called a cover inequality), and Σ<sub>j∈E(C)</sub>x<sub>j</sub> ≤ |C| 1 (called an extended cover inequality) are valid inequalities.
- a) Show that the cover inequality and the extended cover inequality are valid for the feasible solutions of the knapsack problem.
- b) Suppose E(C) = N,  $C = \{j_1, \dots, j_r\}$  with  $a_{j_1} \ge a_{j_2} \ge \dots \ge a_{j_r}$ ,  $a_1 = \max_{j \in N} a_j$ , and  $(C \setminus \{j_1, j_2\}) \cup \{1\}$  is an independent set. Prove that  $\sum_{j \in N} x_j \le |C| - 1$  is a facet.
- c) Give an example which shows that  $\sum_{j \in E(C)} x_j \leq |C| 1$  is not a facet.
- 3. Consider a maximum node packing problem on the graph G = (V, E) where V = { 1, 2, ..., 2k+1 }, k ≥ 2 and E = { (1,2), (2,3), ..., (2k+1,1) }. Let S be the set of incidence vectors of the feasible node packings in G.
  - a) What is the dimension of convex hull of *S*?
  - b) Show that the odd hole constraint  $\sum_{i=1}^{2k+1} x_i \le k$  is a facet defining inequality for the convex hull of *S*.