

# On the dual of the solvency cone

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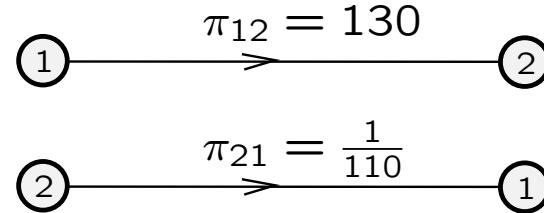
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## Simplest solvency cone example

Exchange between:

Currency 1: Nepalese Rupee

Currency 2: Euro



$\begin{pmatrix} \text{Rupee} \\ \text{Euro} \end{pmatrix}$ -portfolios:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 130 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -110 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$K = \text{cone} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 130 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -110 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

price systems:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 130 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 110 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1/130 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/110 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

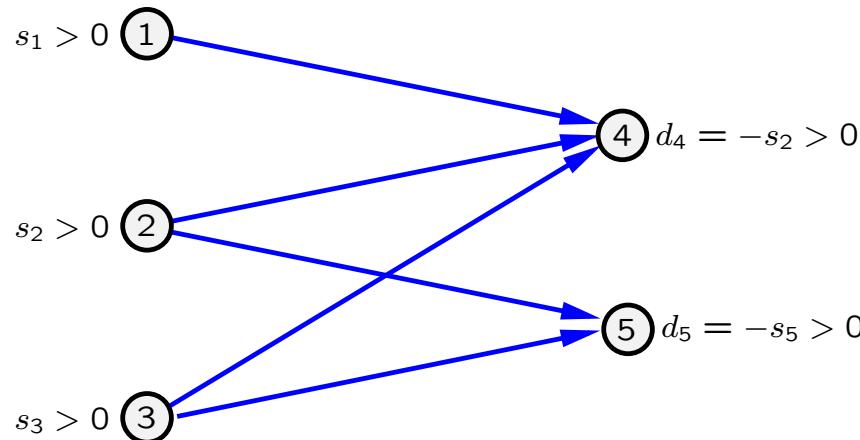
$$K^+ = \text{cone} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 130 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 110 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Solve a problem stated in

Bouchard, B., Touzi, N. (2000): Explicit solution to the multivariate super-replication problem under transaction costs, Ann. Appl. Probab.

*“provide explicitly a generating family  
for the polar [or dual] cone [of  $K_d$  for  $d > 2$ ]”*

## Basic facts about transportation problem



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Variables:  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_{14} \\ x_{24} \\ x_{25} \\ x_{34} \\ x_{35} \end{pmatrix}$

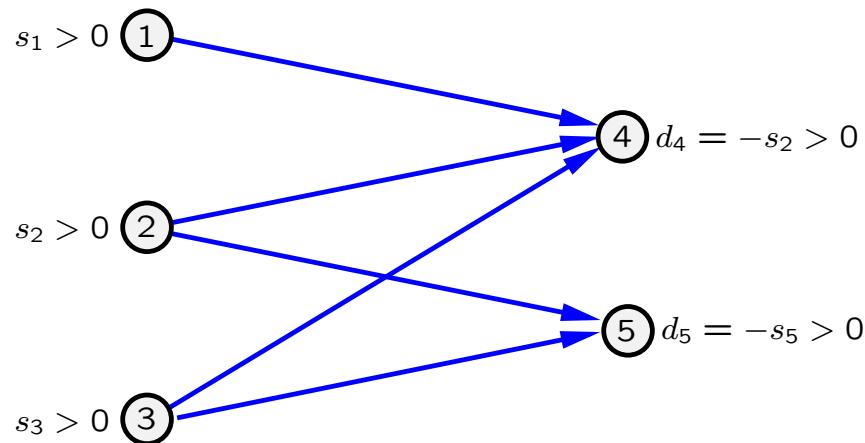
Neg. cost:  $c = \begin{pmatrix} c_{14} \\ c_{24} \\ c_{25} \\ c_{34} \\ c_{35} \end{pmatrix}$

Supply  $s = \begin{pmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ s_3 \\ s_4 \\ s_5 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\max c^T x \quad \text{s.t.} \quad Ax = s, \quad x \geq 0$$

## Dual transportation problem

$$\min s^T y \quad \text{s.t.} \quad A^T y \geq c$$



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$$y_1 \geq y_4 + c_{14}$$

$$y_2 \geq y_4 + c_{24}$$

$$y_2 \geq y_5 + c_{25}$$

$$y_3 \geq y_4 + c_{34}$$

$$y_3 \geq y_5 + c_{35}$$

$$c = 0$$

(primal problem =  
feasibility problem)

$$y_1 \geq y_4$$

$$y_2 \geq y_4$$

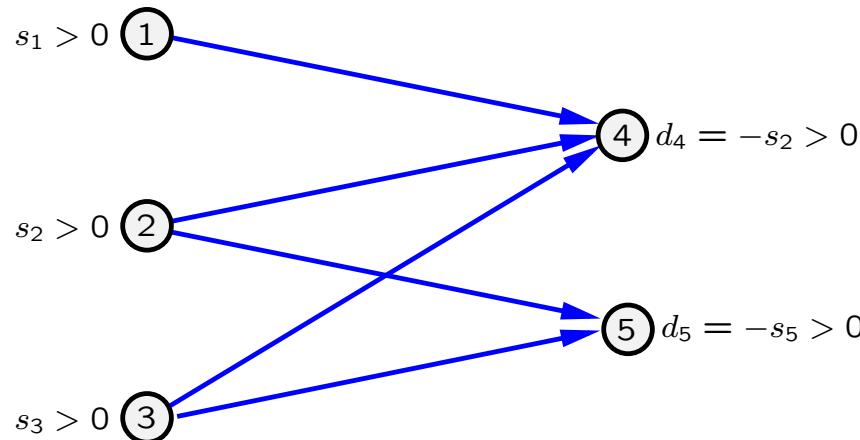
$$y_2 \geq y_5$$

$$y_3 \geq y_4$$

$$y_3 \geq y_5$$

$$s^T y = 0$$

## Modified transportation problem



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \pi_{14} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \pi_{24} & \pi_{25} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \pi_{34} & \pi_{35} \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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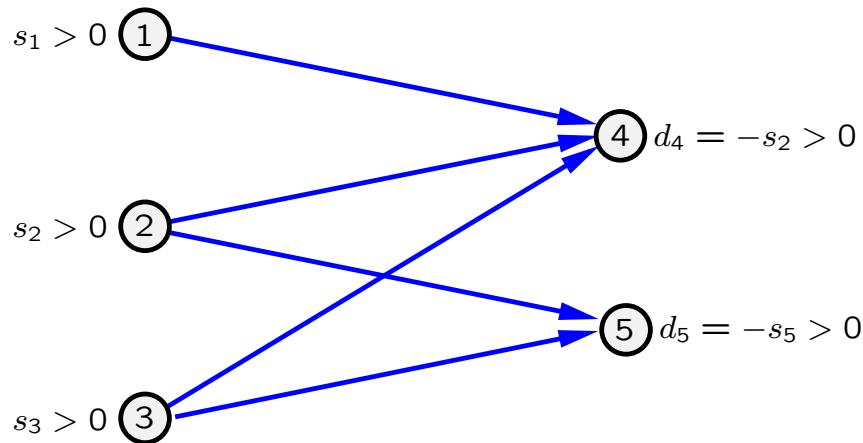
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## Modified transportation problem (dual)

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$$\pi_{14} \cdot y_1 \geq y_4$$

$$\pi_{24} \cdot y_2 \geq y_4$$

$$\pi_{25} \cdot y_2 \geq y_5$$

$$\pi_{34} \cdot y_3 \geq y_4$$

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$$s^T y = 0$$

## Definition (solvency cone)

Let  $d \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$ ,  $V = \{1, \dots, d\}$  and let  $\Pi = (\pi_{ij})$  be a  $(d \times d)$ -matrix such that

$$\forall i \in V : \quad \pi_{ii} = 1, \tag{1}$$

$$\forall i, j \in V : \quad 0 < \pi_{ij}, \tag{2}$$

$$\forall i, j, k \in V : \quad \pi_{ij} \leq \pi_{ik}\pi_{kj}, \tag{3}$$

$$\exists i, j, k \in V : \quad \pi_{ij} < \pi_{ik}\pi_{kj}. \tag{4}$$

Sometimes, (3) and (4) is replaced by

$$\forall i, j \in V, \forall k \in V \setminus \{i, j\} : \quad \pi_{ij} < \pi_{ik}\pi_{kj}. \tag{5}$$

The polyhedral convex cone

$$K_d := \text{cone} \left\{ \pi_{ij}e^i - e^j \mid ij \in V \times V \right\}$$

is called **solvency cone** induced by  $\Pi$ .

## The dual cone

$K_d^+ := \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid \forall x \in K_d : x^T y \geq 0\}$  ... (positive) dual cone of  $K_d$

**Proposition 1.** One has  $K_d^+ = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid \forall i, j \in V : \pi_{ij} y_i \geq y_j\}$ .

Proof: obvious

Recall:  $K_d := \text{cone} \left\{ \pi_{ij} e^i - e^j \mid ij \in V \times V \right\}$

**Proposition 2.** One has  $\mathbb{R}_+^d \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \text{int } K_d$  and  $K_d^+ \setminus \{0\} \subseteq \text{int } \mathbb{R}_+^d$ .

Proof: Follows from (1) to (4), a separation argument is used.

**Proposition 3.** One has  $K_d \cap -\mathbb{R}_+^d = \{0\}$ .

Proof: Elementary.

## Feasible tree solution

$$V = \{1, \dots, d\}$$

$(P, N)$  ... bi-partition of  $V$ , i.e.,  $\emptyset \neq P \subsetneq V$ ,  $N = V \setminus P$

$G(P, N)$  ... bi-partite digraph with arc set  $E = P \times N$

$y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is called **generated by a tree  $T$**  if  $T$  is a spanning tree of  $G(P, N)$  such that

$$\forall ij \in E(T) \subseteq P \times N : \pi_{ij} y_i = y_j > 0. \quad (6)$$

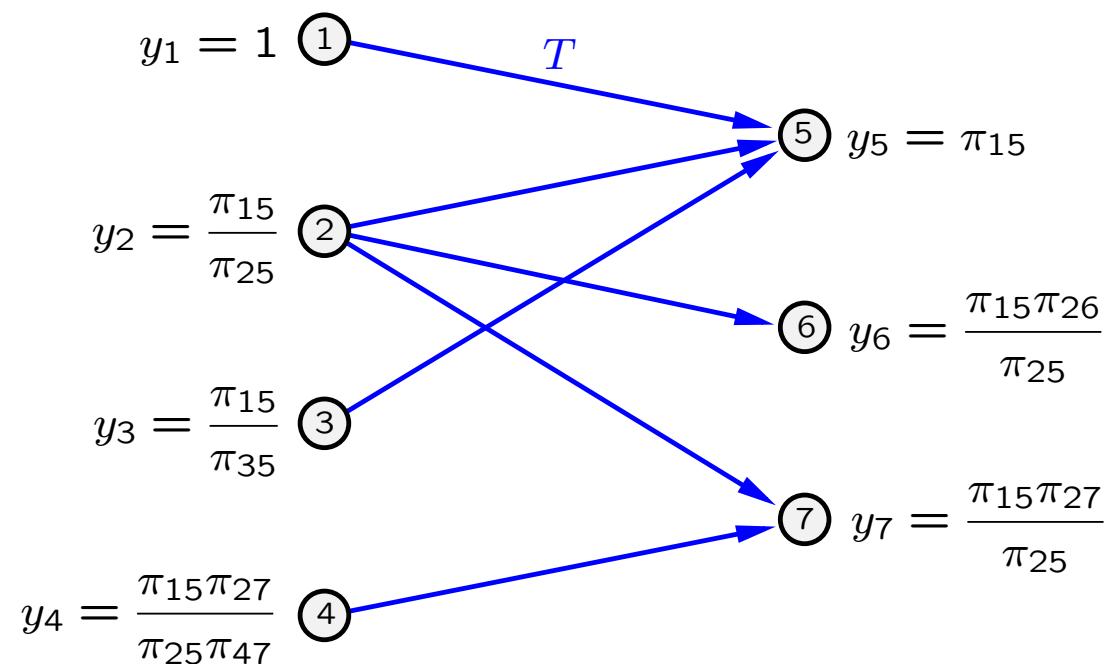
$y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  is called **feasible** with respect to  $(P, N)$  if

$$\forall ij \in P \times N : \pi_{ij} y_i \geq y_j > 0. \quad (7)$$

$y$  is called **feasible tree solution** w.r.t  $(P, N)$  if both properties hold.

## Feasible tree solution

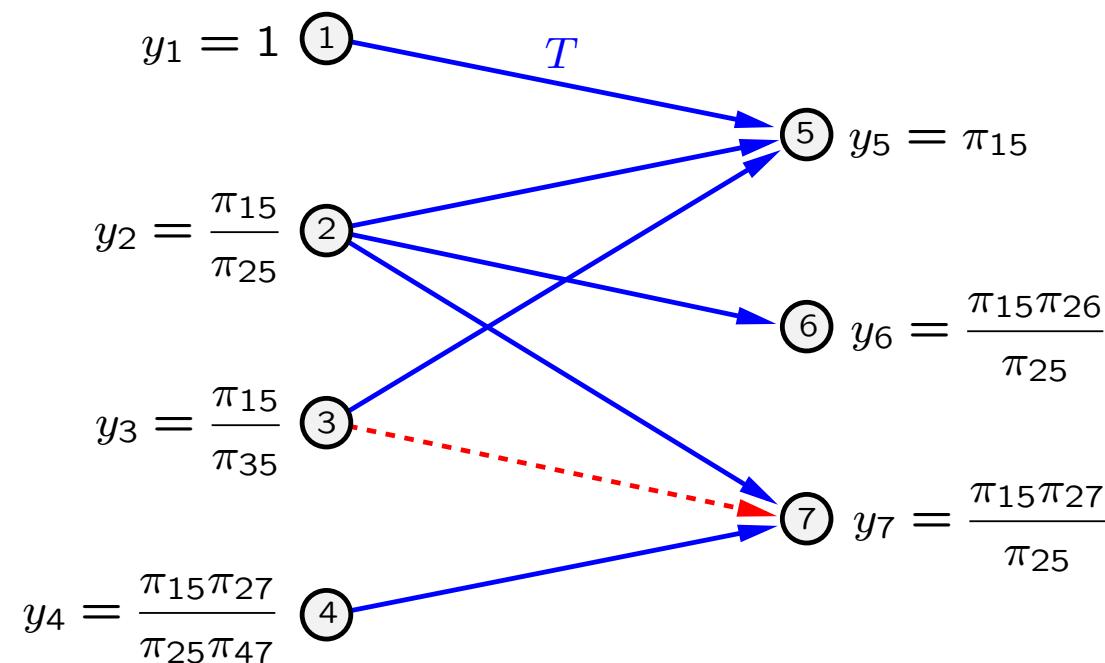
$$V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}, P = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, N = \{5, 6, 7\}$$



Tree solution:  $\pi_{ij}y_i = y_j$  for  $ij \in E(T)$

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Feasibility: e.g.  $\pi_{37}y_3 \geq y_7$

## Characterization of $K_d^+$

**Theorem 1.** For  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , the following statements are equivalent.

- (i)  $y$  is an extremal direction of  $K_d^+$ ;
- (ii)  $y$  is a feasible tree solution w.r.t. some bipartition  $(P, N)$  of  $V$ .

## Questions:

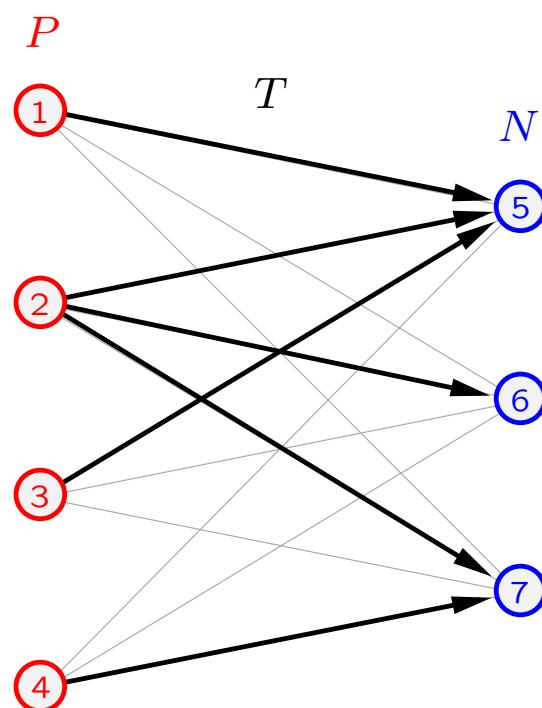
Existence of extremal directions/feasible tree solutions

Construction of extremal directions/feasible tree solutions

Structure of extremal directions/feasible tree solutions

## Degree vectors

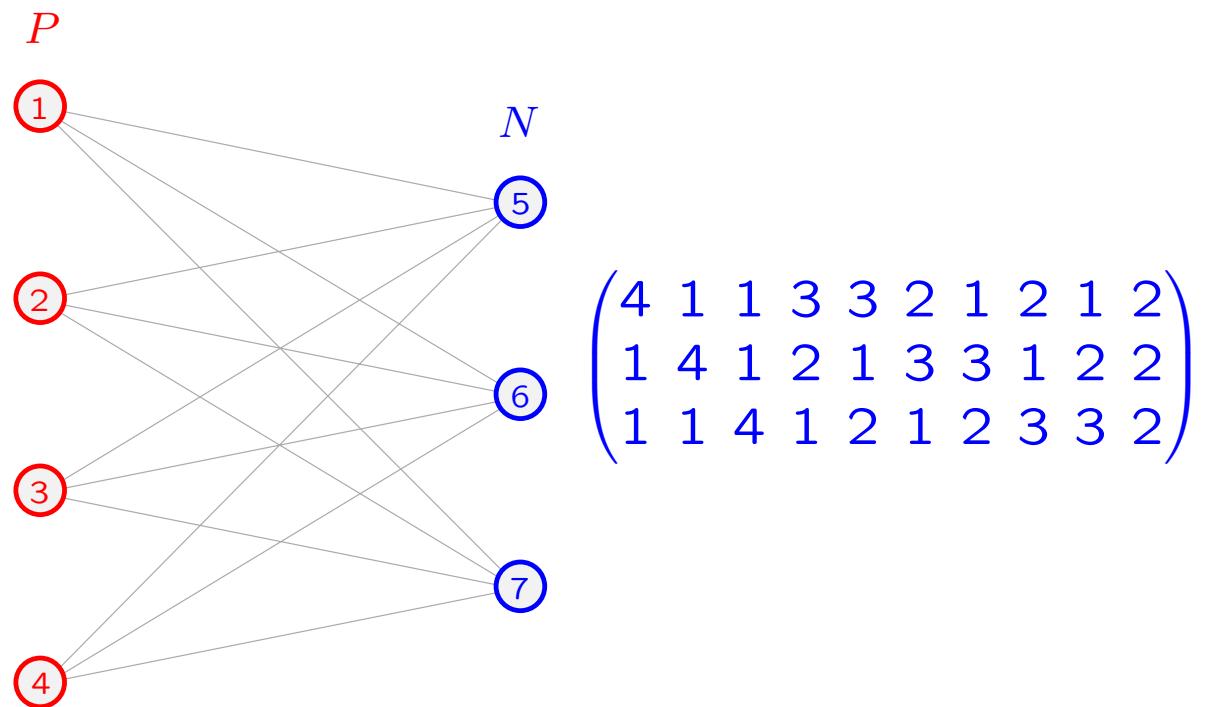
$$\deg_T(P) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\deg_T(N) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Degree vectors of spanning trees

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

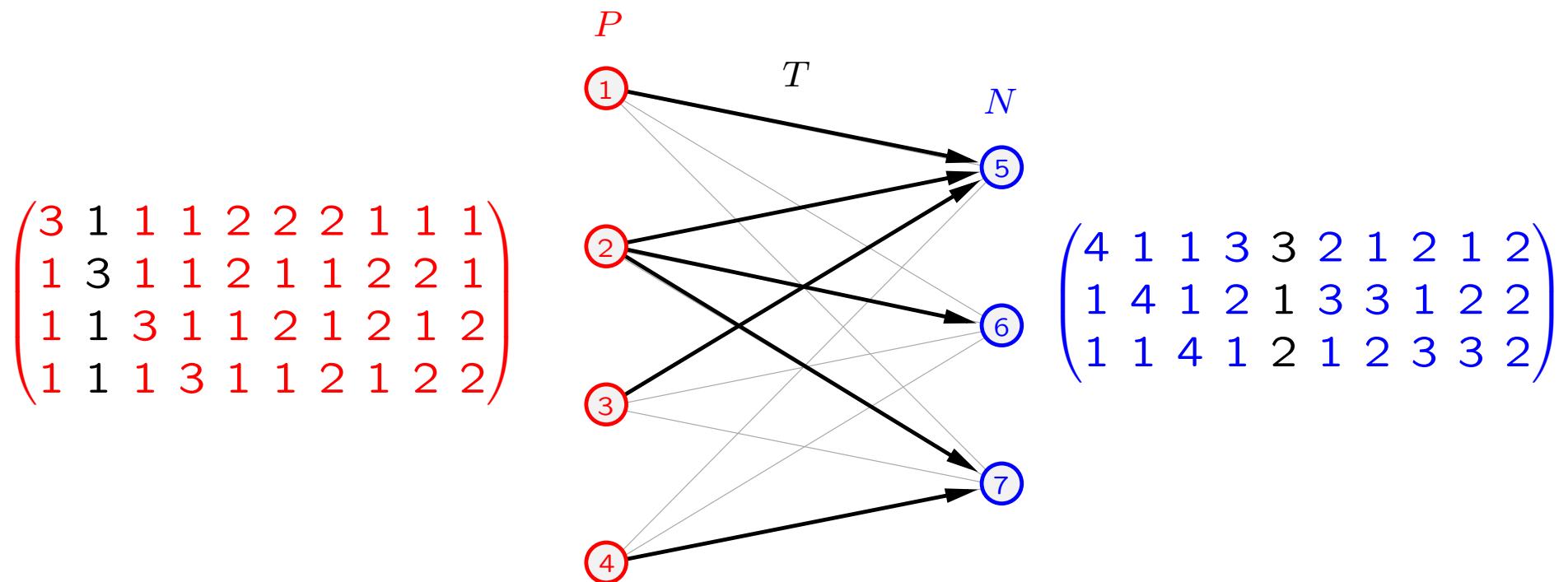


$c \in \mathbb{N}^P$  is called *P-configuration* if  $\sum_{i \in P} c_i = d - 1$

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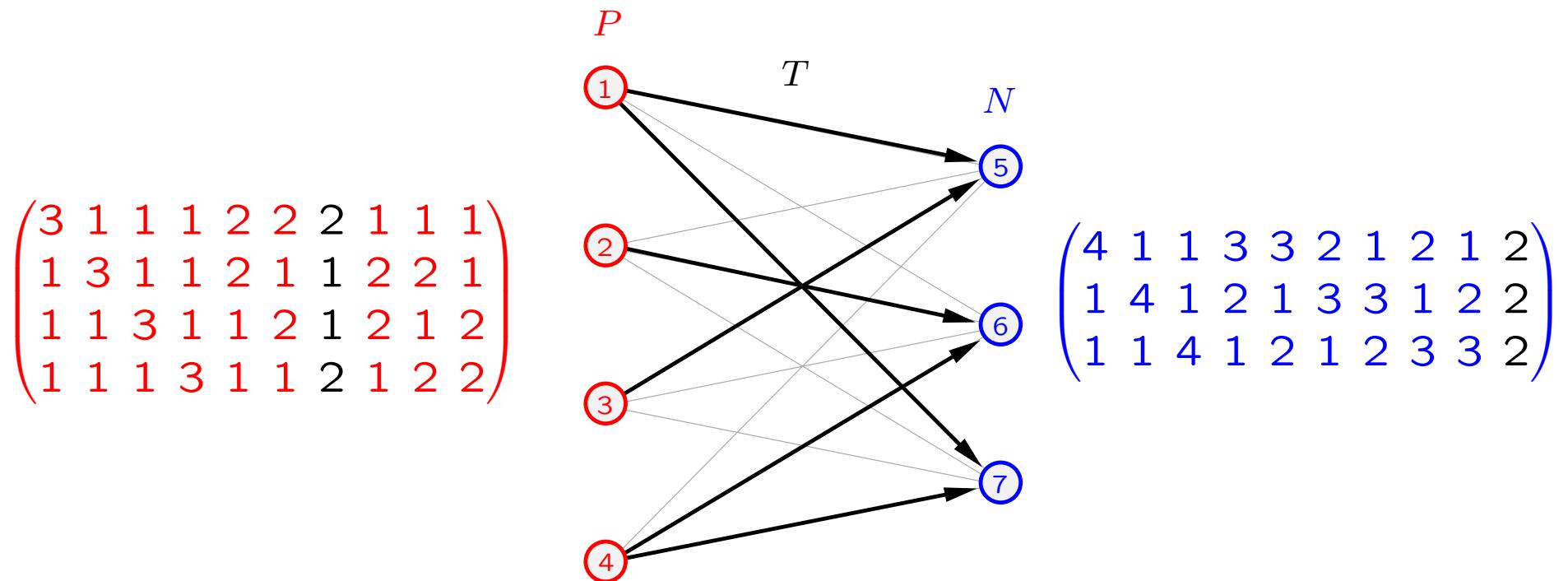


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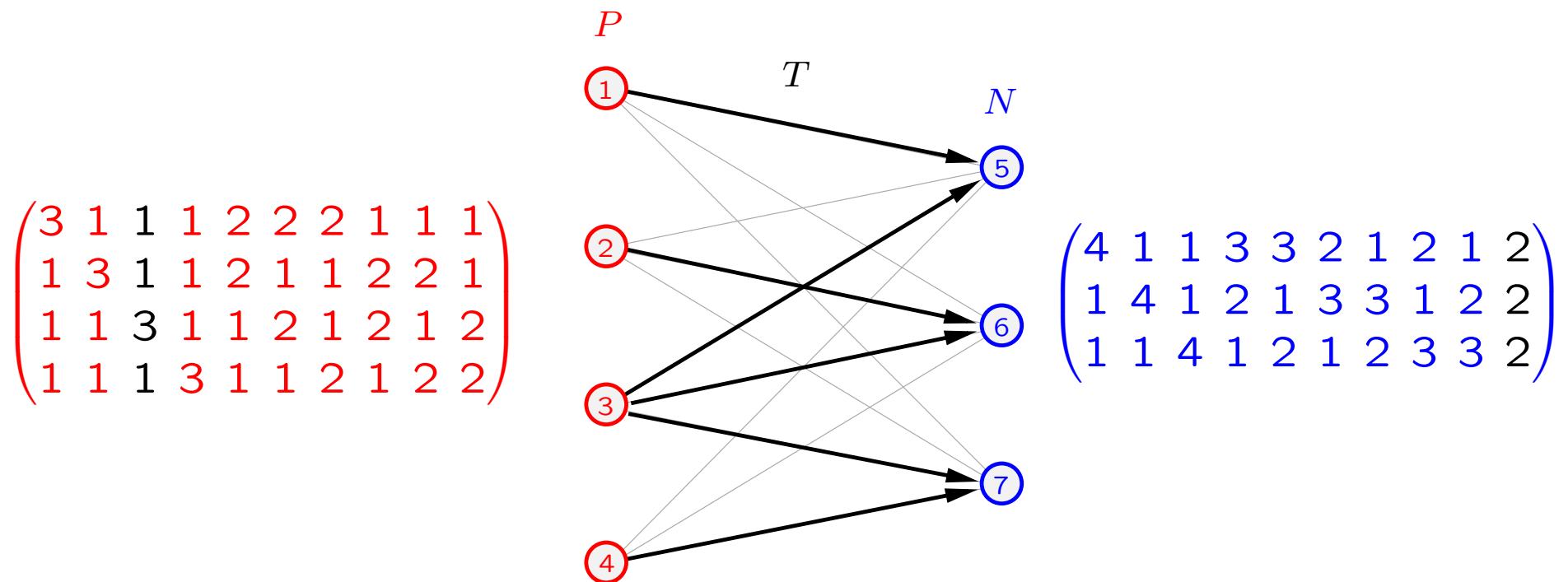


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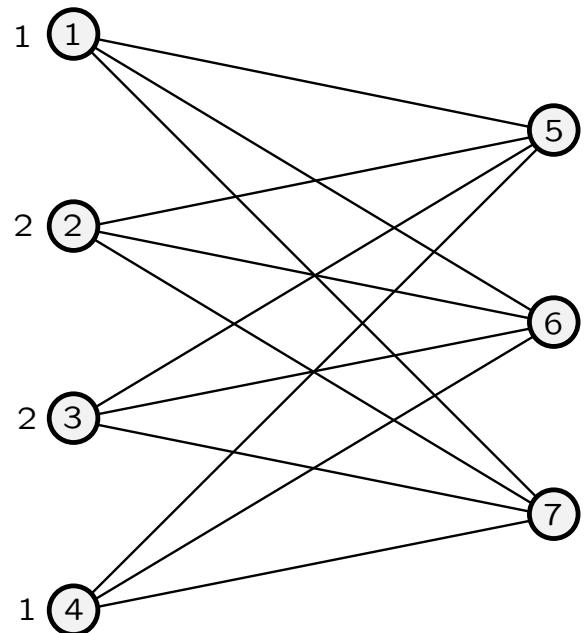
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## Existence of feasible tree solutions

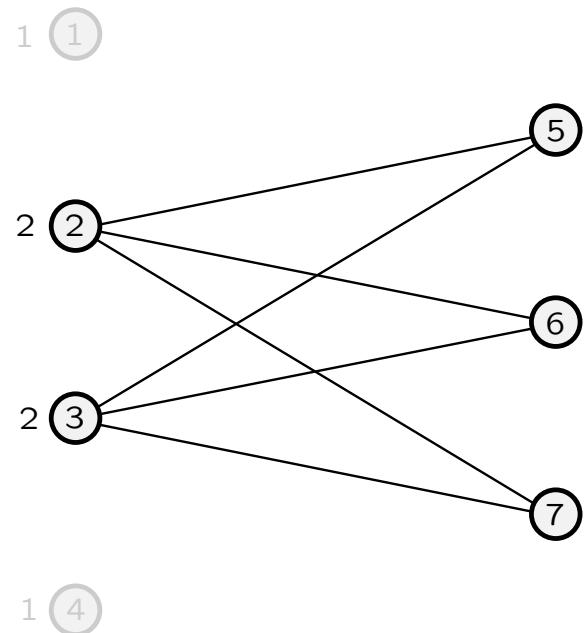
**Theorem 2.** For every bi-partition  $(P, N)$  of  $V$  and every  $P$ -configuration  $c \in \mathbb{N}^P$  there exists a feasible tree solution  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  generated by a spanning tree  $T$  of the bi-partite graph  $G(P, N)$  with  $\deg_T(P) = c$ .

An analogous statement holds if an  $N$ -configuration is given.

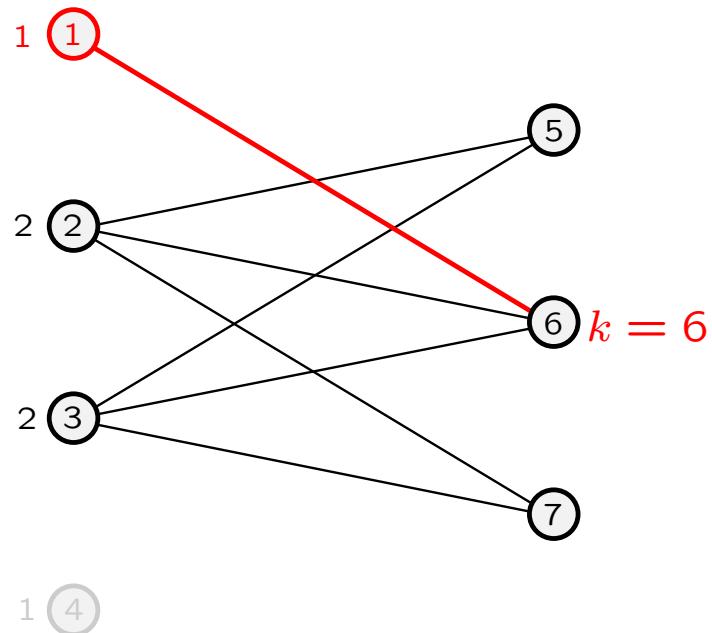
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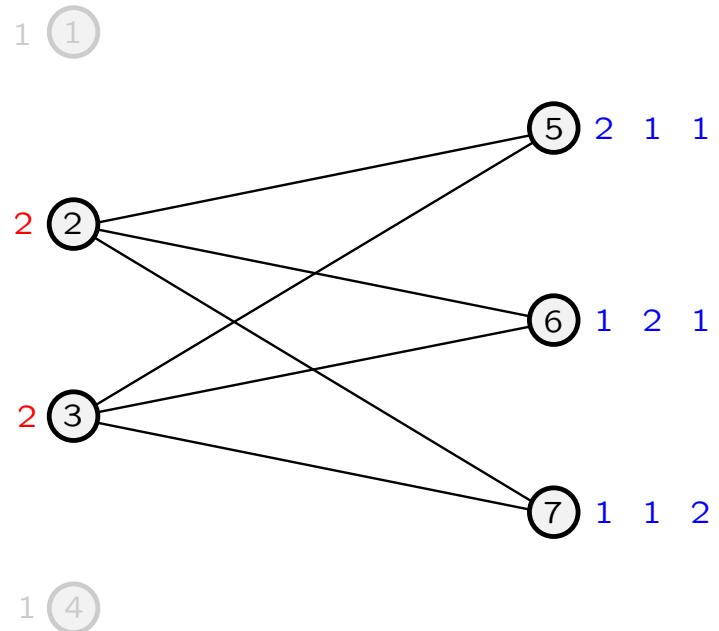


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$$k \in \arg \max \{y_j / \pi_{1j} \mid j \in N\}$$

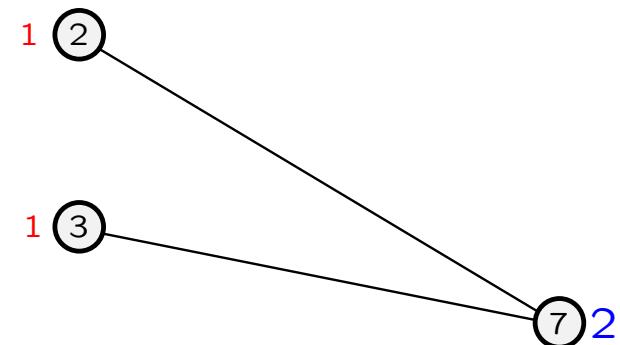
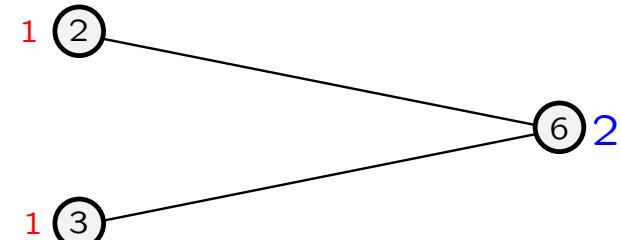
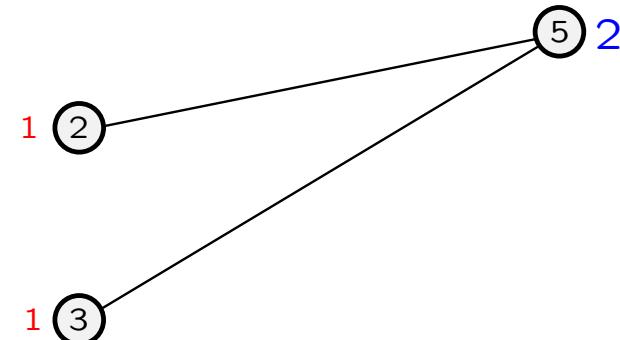
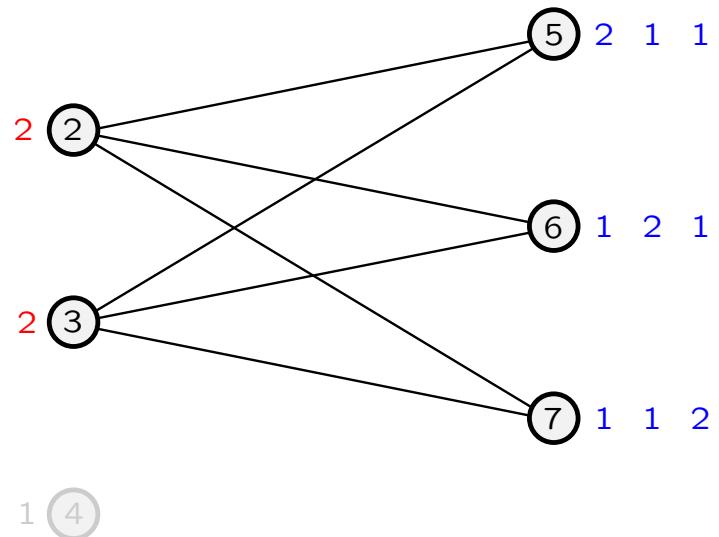
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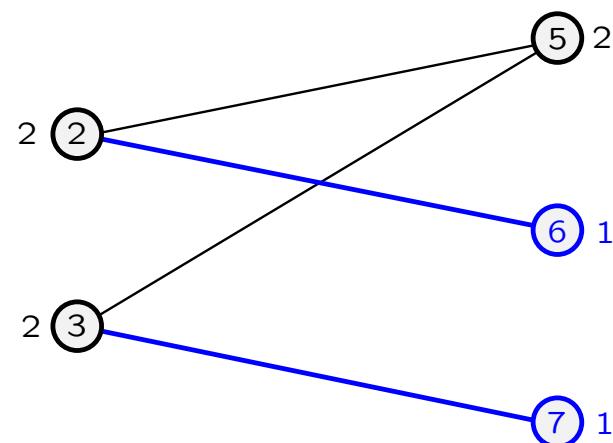
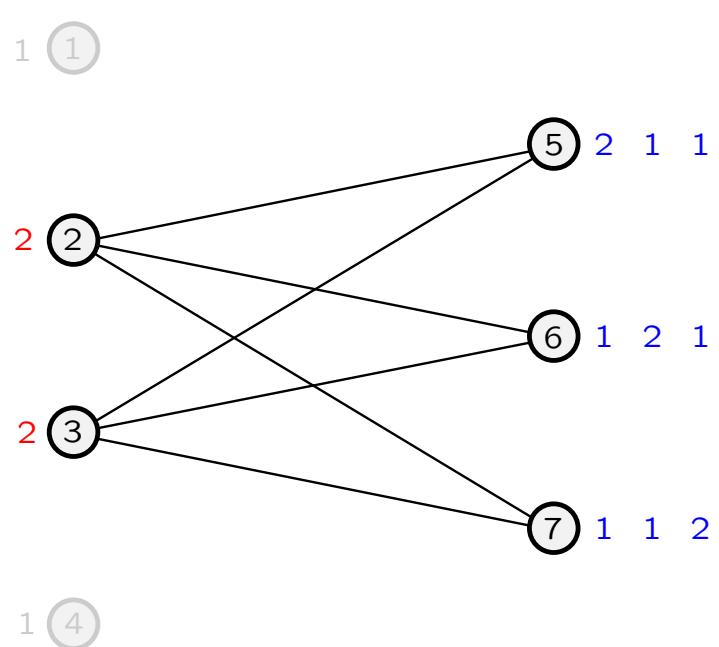
Is there an  $N$ -configuration  $b \in \mathbb{N}^N$  and a feasible tree solution  $y$  generated by  $T$  such that  $b = \deg_T(N)$  and  $c = \deg_T(P)$  ?

## Towards a proof of Theorem 2

1 (1)

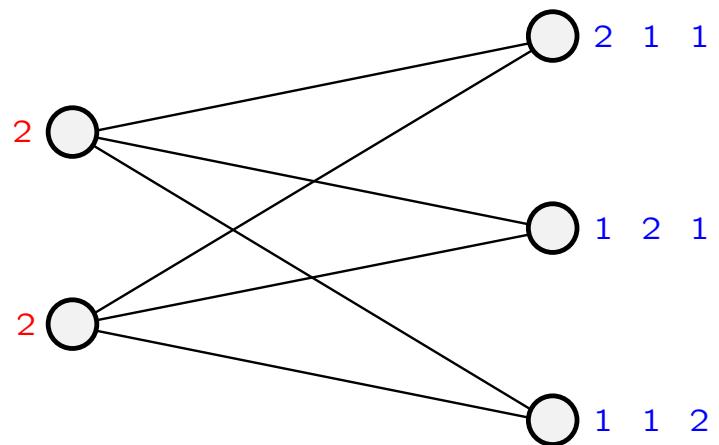


## Towards a proof of Theorem 2



$$k \in \arg \min \{y_i \cdot \pi_{ij} \mid i \in P\}$$

Remaining question:



Given a  $P$ -configuration  $c \in \mathbb{N}^P$ .

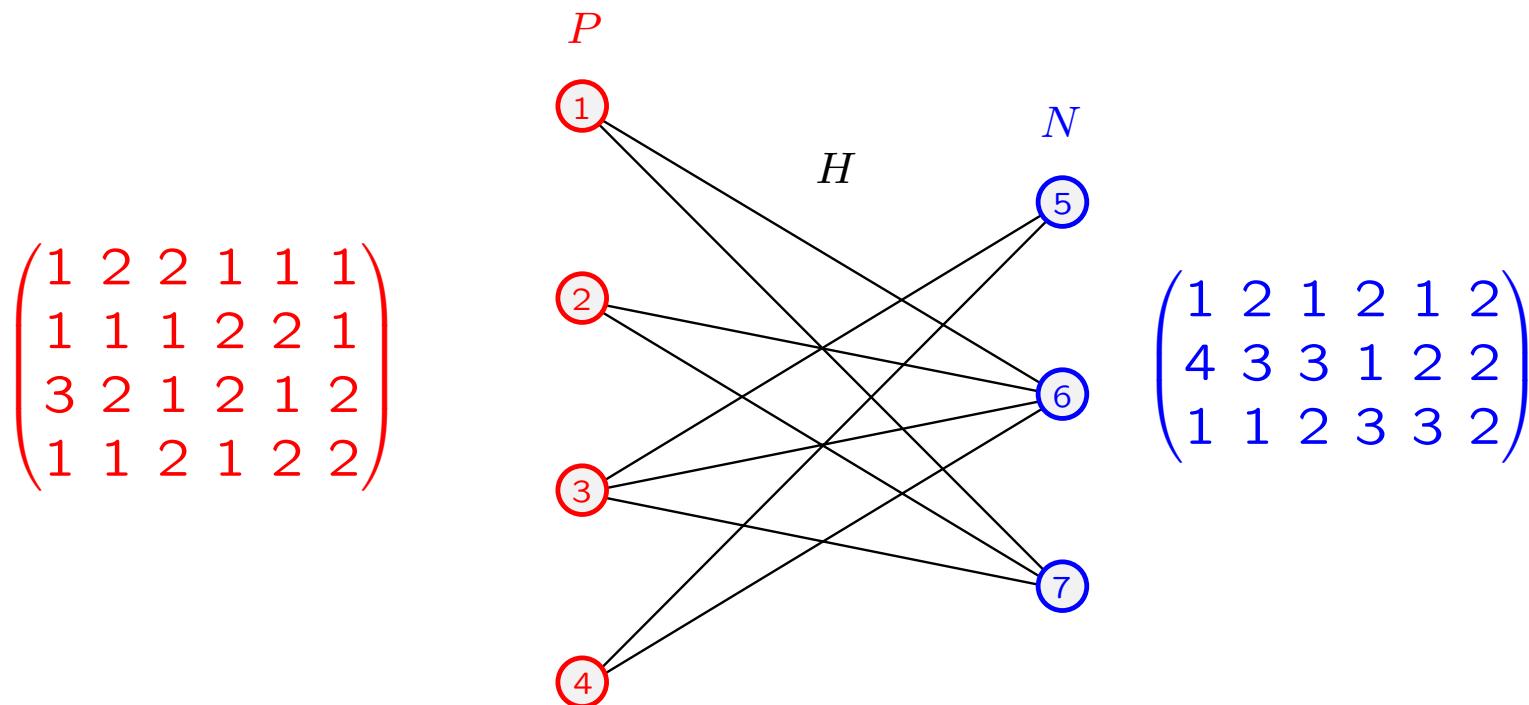
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## Towards a proof of Theorem 2

$\mathcal{T}(H)$  ... set of all spanning trees of a graph  $H$

**Lemma 1.** Let  $H = H(P, N)$  be a bi-partite graph. Then

$$|\{\deg_T(P) \mid T \in \mathcal{T}(H)\}| = |\{\deg_T(N) \mid T \in \mathcal{T}(H)\}|.$$



## Toward a proof of Theorem 2

For a feasible tree solution  $y$ , define subgraph  $H(y)$  of  $G = G(P, N)$

$$V(H(y)) := V(G), \quad E(H(y)) := \left\{ ij \in P \times N \mid \pi_{ij} y_i = y_j \right\}$$

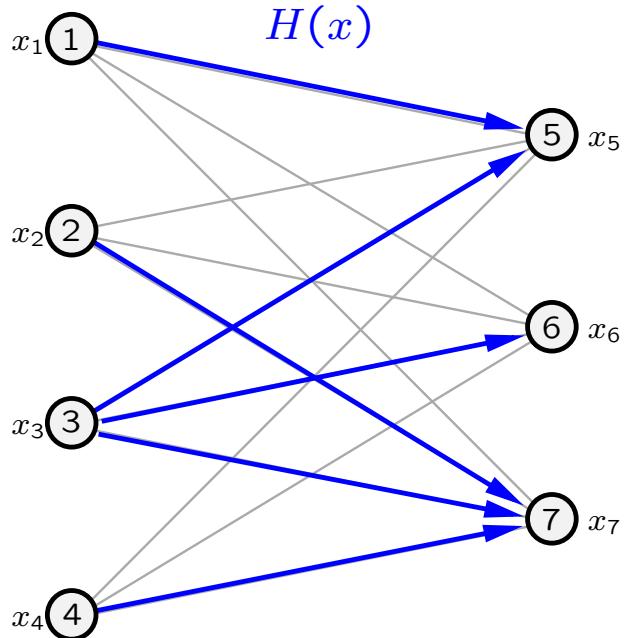
$$\mathcal{P}(y) := \{ \deg_T(P) \mid T \in \mathcal{T}(H(y)) \}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(y) := \{ \deg_T(N) \mid T \in \mathcal{T}(H(y)) \}$$

**Lemma 2.** Let  $x, y$  be two feasible tree solutions such that  $x \neq \alpha y$  for all  $\alpha > 0$ . Then

$$\mathcal{P}(x) \cap \mathcal{P}(y) = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{N}(x) \cap \mathcal{N}(y) = \emptyset.$$

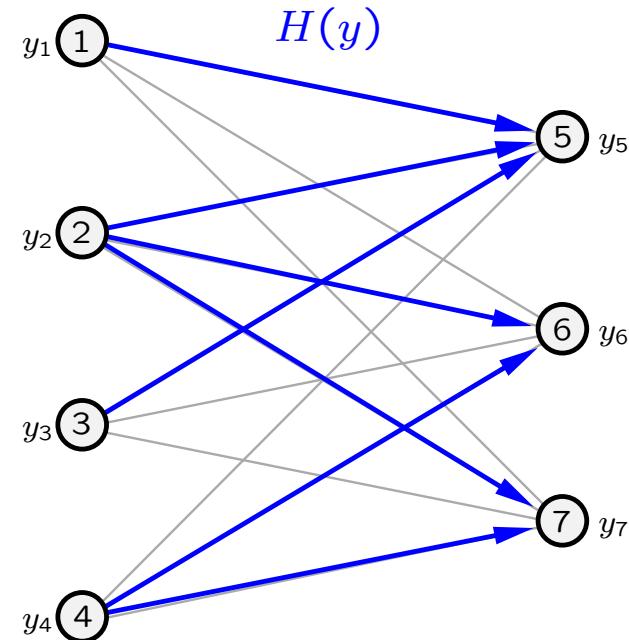
## Illustration of Lemma 1 and Lemma 2



$$\pi_{ij}x_i = x_j, \quad \pi_{ij}x_i > x_j$$

$$\mathcal{P}(x) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(x) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$



$$\pi_{ij}y_i = y_j, \quad \pi_{ij}y_i > y_j$$

$$\mathcal{P}(y) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{N}(y) = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

## Consequences of Theorem 1 and 2

**Corollary 1.** Assume that also (5) holds. Let  $x, y$  be two feasible tree solutions with respect to bi-partitions  $(P_x, N_x)$  and  $(P_y, N_y)$  of  $V$ , respectively. Then  $(P_x, N_x) \neq (P_y, N_y)$  implies  $x \neq \alpha y$  for all  $\alpha > 0$ . Moreover,  $K_d^+$  has at least  $2^d - 2$  extremal directions.

**Corollary 2.**  $K_d^+$  has at most  $\sum_{p=1}^{d-1} \binom{d-2}{p-1} \binom{d}{p}$  extremal directions.

**Example.** The upper bound in Corollary 2 cannot be improved.

Let the non-diagonal entries be pairwise different prime numbers such that

$$\left( \min \left\{ \pi_{ij} \mid ij \in V \times V, i \neq j \right\} \right)^2 > \max \left\{ \pi_{ij} \mid ij \in V \times V, i \neq j \right\}$$

**Example.**  $d = 20$ ,  $\pi_i i = 1$ ,  $\pi_{12} = 59$ ,  $\pi_{12} = 61 \dots \pi_{20,19} = 2713$

$$59^2 > 2713 \implies (5)$$

$K_{20}^+$  has exactly  $\sum_{p=1}^{19} \binom{18}{p-1} \binom{20}{p} = 35.345.263.800$  extremal directions.

$$P = \{5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11\}, N = \{1, \dots, 4, 12, \dots, 20\}.$$

$\binom{d-2}{p-1} = \binom{18}{6} = 18564$   $P$ -configurations for this bi-partition ( $p := |P|$ ).

$$c = (3, 2, 4, 2, 2, 2, 4)^T \in \mathbb{N}^P$$

Algorithm (Matlab, about 15 minutes):

$$y = \left( \frac{487 \cdot 757}{503 \cdot 859}, \frac{491 \cdot 757}{503 \cdot 859}, \frac{619 \cdot 947 \cdot 1367}{677 \cdot 953 \cdot 1427}, \frac{757}{859}, \frac{757}{503 \cdot 859}, \frac{947 \cdot 1367}{677 \cdot 953 \cdot 1427}, \frac{1}{859}, \frac{1367}{953 \cdot 1427}, \frac{1}{1117}, \frac{839}{859 \cdot 1237}, \frac{1}{1427}, \frac{1327}{1427}, \frac{947 \cdot 1367}{953 \cdot 1427}, \frac{1367}{1427}, \frac{1373}{1427}, \frac{829}{859}, \frac{839}{859}, \frac{839 \cdot 1249}{859 \cdot 1237}, \frac{1109}{1117}, 1 \right)^T$$

$$b = (1, 1, 1, 2, 1, 2, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1, 1, 3)^T \in \mathbb{N}^N$$

## Special case 1

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi_{ii} := 1 \text{ and } \pi_{ij} := a_j/b_i \ (i \neq j), \\ 0 < b_i \leq a_i \text{ for all } i \in V, \\ 0 < b_k < a_k \text{ for at least one } k \in V \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (1) \text{ to } (4)$$

## Recursion formula

$$Y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ b_2 & a_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y_d = \begin{pmatrix} & b_1 & & a_1 \\ Y_{d-1} & \vdots & Y_{d-1} & \vdots \\ & b_{d-1} & & a_{d-1} \\ a_d & \dots & a_d & b_d \\ & & a_d & b_d \\ & & b_d & b_d \end{pmatrix}.$$

## Direct description

$$K_d^+ = \text{cone} \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid (P, N) \text{ bi-part. of } V, \forall i \in P : y_i = b_i, \forall j \in N : y_j = a_j \right\}$$

## Consequence

$K_d^+$  has at most  $2^d - 2$  extremal directions.

## Special case 2

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi_{ii} := 1 \text{ and } \pi_{ij} := a_j/b_i \text{ } (i \neq j), \\ 0 < b_i < a_i \text{ for all } i \in V, \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (1) \text{ to } (5)$$

The same as in special case 1, but now

$K_d^+$  has exactly  $2^d - 2$  extremal directions.

### Special case 3

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \pi_{ii} := 1 \text{ and } \pi_{ij} := a_j/b_i \text{ } (i \neq j), \\ 0 < b_i \leq a_i \text{ for all } i \in V, \\ 0 < b_k < a_k \text{ for at least one } k \in V \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow (1) \text{ to } (4)$$

$b_k = a_k$  for some  $k \in V$

**Recursion formula** (w.l.o.g.  $a_1 = b_1 = 1$ )

$$Y_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ a_2 & b_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad Y_d = \begin{pmatrix} & & & & Y_{d-1} & Y_{d-1} \\ & & & & a_d & b_d \\ & \dots & & a_d & b_d & \dots & b_d \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Direct description**

$$K_d^+ = \text{cone} \left\{ y \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid Q \subseteq V \setminus \{k\}, \forall i \in Q : y_i = b_i, \forall j \in V \setminus Q : y_j = a_j \right\}.$$

**Consequence**

$K_d^+$  has at most  $2^{d-1}$  extremal directions.

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