

1. (20 points)

- (a) (5 points) Prove that if G is an undirected graph with n vertices and n edges with no vertices of degree 0 or 1, then the degree of every vertex is 2.
- (b) (5 points) Let G be an undirected graph with at least two vertices. Prove that it is impossible for every vertex of G to have a different degree.
- (c) (10 points) In a group of 10 people, each one has 7 friends among the other nine people. Prove that there exist 4 people who are friends of each other.

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(a): Proof: ① Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected graph with n vertices and n edges.

② The sum of the degrees of all vertices in G is $2|E| = 2n$ (By the Handshaking Lemma).

③ Since no vertex has degree 0 or 1, the minimum degree of any vertex is at least 2.

④ If any vertex has a degree greater than 2, the sum of degree will exceed $2n$, which contradicts the Handshaking Lemma.

⑤ Therefore, every vertex must have degree exactly 2

(b). Proof: G is an undirected graph with at least 2 vertices, every vertex has a unique degree.

n = number of vertices.

Degree of vertices in G will range from 0 to $n-1$.

If one vertex has degree $n-1$, no vertex can have degree 0, as it would contradict the connectivity of the graph.

This leaves $n-1$ possible degrees for n vertices, which is a contradiction.

Thus, it is impossible for all vertices to have different degree

(c). Proof: We can have: G has 10 vertices, each vertex has degree 7, meaning G is 7-regular graph. The total number of edge is: $\frac{10 \times 7}{2} = 35$

Assume G has no K_4 .

By Turan's Theorem, the maximum number of edges in a graph with no K_4 is: $\frac{n^2}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{r})$. $r=3$. $n=10 \Rightarrow \frac{10^2}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{3}) \approx 33.3$

G has 35 edges, which exceeds this bound. This contradiction implies that G must contain at least one K_4 .

Thus, there exist 4 people who are friends of each other.

2. (20 points) Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected connected graph. Let n be the number of vertices in G . Let m be the number of edges in G . Design an algorithm to output a set of cycles C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots in G such that for every edge e of G , if e is contained in some cycle in G , then e is contained in some output cycle C_i . Explain the correctness of your algorithms. Analyze its running time which should be polynomial in n and m . Note that you are not required to output all cycles in G , and an edge of G may appear in multiple output cycles.

- ① Performed a DFS on G to find a spanning tree T of G .
- ② Identify the non-tree edges $e \in E \setminus T$
- ③ For each non-tree edge: add e to T , forming a cycle C . Traverse the graph to find the unique cycle C formed by e in T .
add C to the output set of cycles.
- ④ Output the set of cycles

Correctness: The spanning tree T ensures connectivity.

Each non-tree edge is processed to ensure all cycles edges.

Running Time: ① Building the spanning tree T : $O(n+m)$.

② processing each edge in $E \setminus T$: $O(m)$

Total: $O(n+m)$

3. (20 points) Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undirected connected graph with n vertices and m edges. Each edge in G is also given an non-negative integer weight. Given a path P in G from a vertex u to a vertex v , the *bottleneck weight* of P , denoted by $wt(P)$, is the minimum edge weight in P . A *maximum bottleneck path* between u and v is the path Q between u and v such that $wt(Q) \geq wt(P)$ for all paths between u and v . Our problem is to report the maximum bottleneck paths between all pairs of vertices in G . Show that this problem can be solved by finding the minimum spanning tree of some graph. Explain the running time of your algorithm.

- ① Compute the MST of G : Use Kruskal's or Prim's algorithm to compute the MST of G . Let the resulting MST be T .
- ② Preprocess the MST for path queries: Construct a Max-Edge Tree from the T . For each pair of vertices u and v , the bottleneck weight of the path between u and v in T is the maximum edge weight encountered along the path in T .
Use binary lifting or LCA to preprocess the MST for efficient path queries.
- ③ For each pair of vertices u and v , find the path between u and v in the T . The bottleneck weight of this path is the minimum edge weight along the path in T . Return this value as the result for the maximum bottleneck between u and v .

Running Time : ① compute the MST: $O(m\log n)$

② Preprocess the MST: $O(n\log n)$

③ For query the maximum bottleneck path: $O(\log n)$

Total: processing the MST: $O(m\log n) + O(n\log n) = O(m\log n)$ [since $m > n$]

There are total $O(n^2)$ pairs of vertices, each query takes $O(\log n)$. Total query time: $O(n^2 \log n)$.

$\therefore O(m\log n + n^2 \log n)$.

4. (20 points) Let $G = (V, E)$ be a directed graph with positive edge weights.

(a) (10 points) The cost of a cycle is the sum of the weights of edges on that cycle. A cycle is called shortest if its cost is the minimum possible. Design an algorithm to return the cost of the shortest cycle in G . If G is acyclic, your algorithm should say so. Your algorithm should run in $O(n^3)$ time, where n is the number of vertices in G . Explain the correctness of your algorithm. Derive its running time.

(b) (10 points) Suppose that the edge weights in G are integers from the given range $[0, W]$. Describe an implementation of Dijkstra's algorithm that runs in $O((n + m) \log W)$ time.

(a) ① Use Floyd-Warshall to compute the shortest paths between all pairs of vertices

$$\text{dist}[u][v] = \text{length of shortest path from } u \text{ to } v \quad [\text{This takes } O(n^3) \text{ time}]$$

② For each edge $(u, v) \in E$, check if $\text{dist}[u][v] \neq \infty$.

If true: a cycle exists involving u and v , and its cost is: cost cycle = $\text{dist}[u][v] + \text{weight}(u, v)$

keep track of the minimum cycle cost.

③ if no cycle is found, the graph is acyclic

Correctness: Floyd-Warshall ensures that $\text{dist}[u][v]$ is the shortest path from u to v . adding the weight of (u, v) gives the total cost of the cycle formed by $u \rightarrow v$ and $v \rightarrow u$

Time Complexity: Floyd-Warshall runs in $O(n^3)$

For checking the all edges for cycles runs in $O(m)$. [m is the number of the edges]

So in total, the complexity is $O(n^3)$

(b) ① Initialize a distance array $\text{dist}[v] = \infty$ for all vertices v , except the source s , where $\text{dist}[s] = 0$

Initialize a bucket array $B[0 \dots W]$, where each bucket corresponds to a distance value modulo W .

② Insert the source vertex s into bucket $B[0]$.

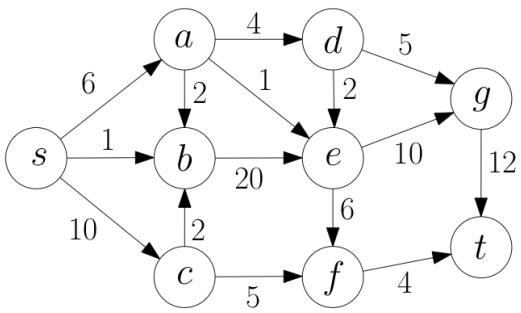
③ For each bucket $B[i]$ (starting from $i=0$), process all vertices u in $B[i]$:

For each neighbor v of u , relax the edge (u, v) : $\text{dist}[v] = \min(\text{dist}[v], \text{dist}[u] + \text{weight}(u, v))$

Insert v into the appropriate bucket $B[j]$, where $j = (\text{dist}[v]) \bmod W$.

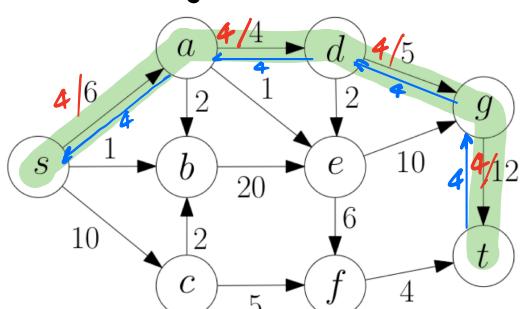
④ continue until all vertices are processed.

5. (20 points) Find the maximum flow from s to t in the following flow network. Determine the corresponding minimum cut as well. Follow the notation in the lecture slides to show your intermediate steps.

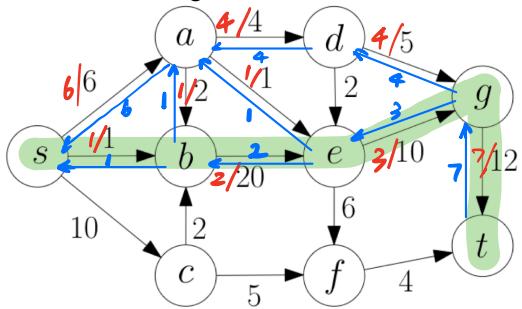


[For the maximum flow]

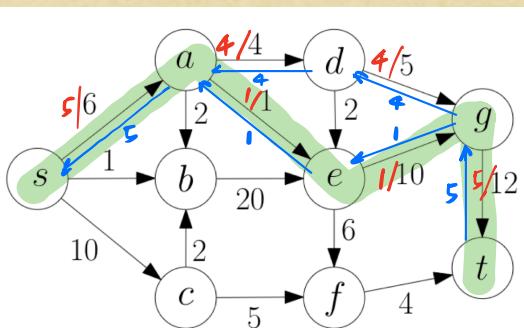
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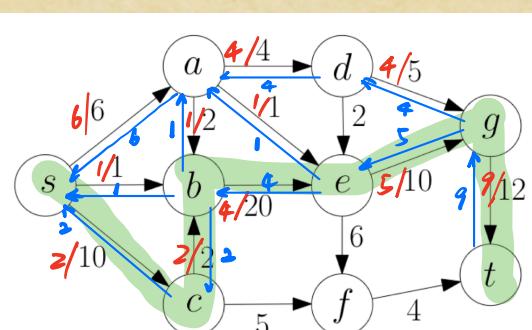
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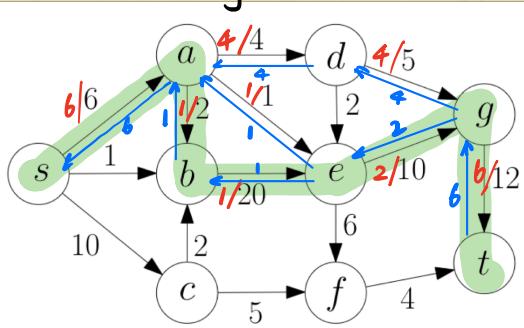
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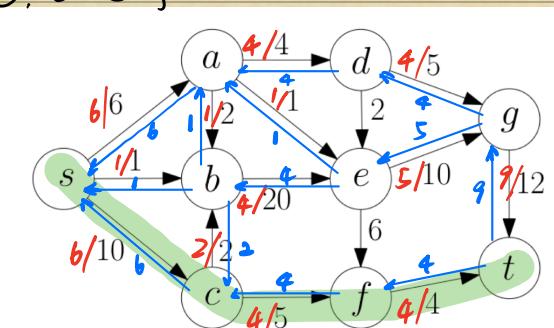
③ $s \rightarrow c \rightarrow b \rightarrow e \rightarrow g \rightarrow t$



⑥ $s \rightarrow a \rightarrow b \rightarrow e \rightarrow g \rightarrow t$

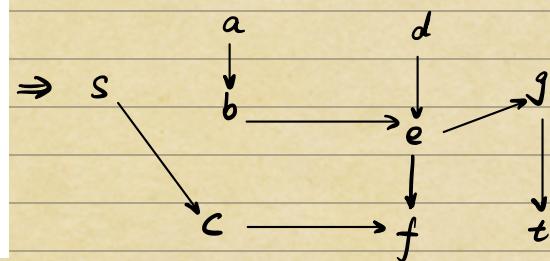
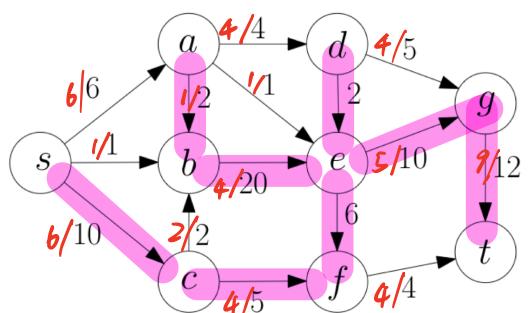


⑦, $s \rightarrow c \rightarrow f \rightarrow t$

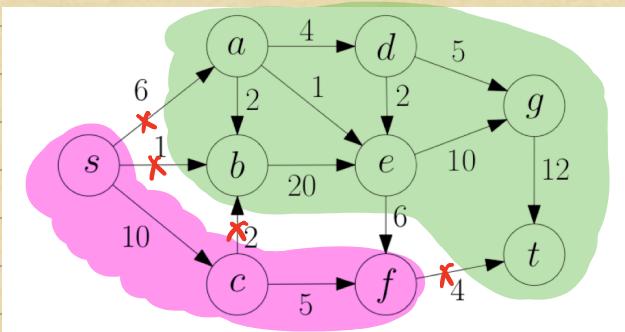


So: in total. the maximum flow is: $9 + 4 = 13$

[For the minimum cut].



$$\text{So: } S = \{s, c, f\} \\ T = \{a, b, d, e, g, t\}$$



so: the minimum cut is: $6+1+2+4 = 13 = \text{maximum flow}$