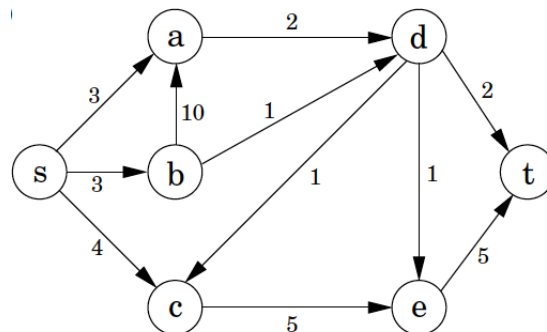


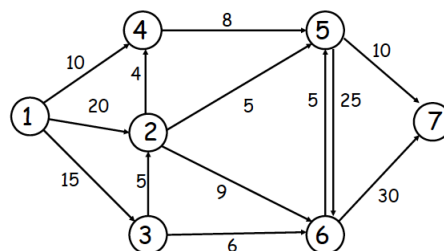
## Homework 4

### Topic: Bellman-Ford SP & Network Flow (Ch.7)

1. (30) **Shortest Paths on Graphs using Bellman-Ford Algorithm.** Consider the directed graph shown. The numbers on the edges indicate costs of these edges.



- (a) (15 Points) Find the shortest paths from all nodes to destination  $t$ , using the Bellman-Ford algorithm. Show (some of) your intermediate steps and the final result in the following form: [next hop][distance to  $t$ ] for every node.
- (b) (15 Points) After the algorithm reaches steady state, somebody cuts off edges  $e-t$  and  $b-d$  at the same time. Use Bellman-Ford to recalculate the paths to  $t$  after the change. Does the algorithm converge? If yes, show your calculations and the final “[next hop][destination]” for every node. If not, explain why.
2. (45 Points) **Finding Max Flow.** Consider the directed graph shown in the figure below. The numbers on the edges indicate capacities.



- (a) (15 Points) Find the max-flow from the source (node 1) to the sink (node 7).
- (b) (15 Points) Identify the min-cut corresponding to the max-flow you found in (a).
- (c) (15 Points) Now assume that the capacity of edge  $2-6$  changes from 9 to 2. Find the max flow on this new graph *without* recomputing it from scratch, but starting from the solution you found in (a) and incrementally updating it.
- Describe an algorithm that does that incremental update.

- ii. Argue that it indeed finds the optimal solution (max flow for the new graph).
  - iii. Analyze its running time (it should be less than running Ford-Fulkerson from scratch).
  - iv. Run your algorithm and report the new max flow.
3. (25 Points) Consider a set of mobile computing clients who need to be connected to one of several possible base stations. We'll suppose there are  $n$  clients, with the position of each client specified by its  $(x, y)$  coordinates in the plane. There are also  $k$  base stations; the position of each of these is specified by  $(x, y)$  coordinates as well.
- For each client, we wish to connect it to exactly one of the base stations. Our choice of connections is constrained in the following ways. There is a *range parameter*  $r$ ; a client can only be connected to a base station that is within distance  $r$ . There is also a *load parameter*  $L$ ; no more than  $L$  clients can be connected to any single base station.
- (a) (10 Points) Design a polynomial-time algorithm for the following problem. Given the positions of a set for clients and a set of base stations, as well as the range and load parameters, decide whether every client can be connected simultaneously to a base station, subject to the range and load conditions.
  - (b) (10 Points) Write the condition of the feasible solution (i.e., connecting all clients to base stations).
  - (c) (5 Points) Analyze the running time of your algorithm.