

# CPSC 420 Lecture 10: Today's announcements:

- ▶ HW2 is on Gradescope, due Feb 9, 23:59
- ▶ Examlet 2 on Feb 17 in class. **Closed book & no notes**
- ▶ Reading: Maximum Flows & Minimum Cuts [Algorithms by Erickson Ch. 10]

## Today's Plan

- ▶ Network Flow
  - ▶ Maximum matching in bipartite graphs
  - ▶ Pennant Race Problem
  - ▶ Open Pit Mining

# Maximum Matching in Bipartite Graphs

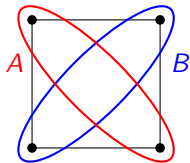
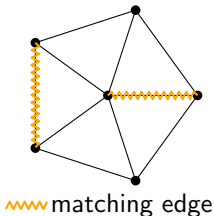
A **matching** in a graph  $G$  is a subset  $M$  of its edges with no vertex the endpoint of more than one edge in  $M$ .

A **maximum matching** is a matching with the maximum number of edges.

A **maximal matching** is a matching to which another edge cannot be added to form a new matching.

A **bipartite graph** is a graph  $G = (V, E)$  where  $V$  can be partitioned into  $A$  and  $B$  such that  $\forall (u, v) \in E$ , either  $u \in A$  and  $v \in B$  or  $u \in B$  and  $v \in A$ .

Given bipartite graph  $G = (V, E)$  with partitions  $A$  and  $B$   
find maximum matching in  $G$ .



# Maximum Matching in Bipartite Graphs Algorithm

Given bipartite graph  $G = (V, E)$  with partitions  $A$  and  $B$ :

1. Create a flow network  $F = (V', E')$

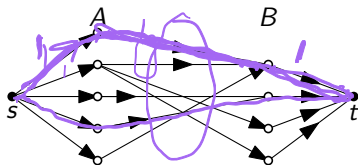
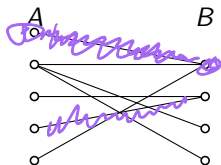
$$V' = V \cup \{s, t\}$$

add source and sink

$$E' = E \cup \{(s, u) | u \in A\} \cup \{(v, t) | v \in B\}$$

Set all capacities to 1.

2. Find maximum flow  $f$  in  $F$
3. Output edges  $(u, v) \in E$  such that  $f(u, v) = 1$



**Claim** If  $M$  is a matching in  $G$  then  $\exists$  flow  $f$  in  $F$  with  $\text{size}(f) = |M|$ .

**Claim** If  $f$  is an integer-valued flow in  $F$  then there exists a matching  $M$  in  $G$  with  $|M| = \text{size}(f)$ .

$$\text{size}(f^*) \geq |M^*|$$

$$|M^*| \geq \text{size}(f^*)$$

# Pennant Race Problem

A	B	C	D	E	
3	1	2	3	3	<u>BC</u>
2	2				<u>BD</u>
3	3	3			<u>BE</u>

Input

Given team  $A$  (your favorite team)

list of teams  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$

#wins for each team this season

list of games remaining to be played

Example

$A$

$A \quad T_1 \quad T_2 \quad T_3 \quad T_4$

~~2~~ 4 6 5 4

6

~~$(A, T_1)$~~ ,  ~~$(A, T_3)$~~ ,  ~~$(A, T_4)$~~ ,  $(T_1, T_3)$ ,  $(T_2, T_4)$ ,  $(T_1, T_2)$ ,  $(T_2, T_3)$

Determine if it is possible for team  $A$  to win at least as many games as any other team by the end of the season.

1. Assume  $A$  wins all remaining games (it's possible)  
This removes some games.
2. Let  $w$  be number of  $A$ 's wins. Let  $w_i$  be number of  $T_i$ 's wins.
3. If  $w < w_i$  for some  $i$  then return NO.
4. Create a flow network

# Pennant Race Problem

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list of teams  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n$

#wins for each team this season

list of games remaining to be played

Example

$A$

$A$

$T_1$

$T_2$

$T_3$

$T_4$

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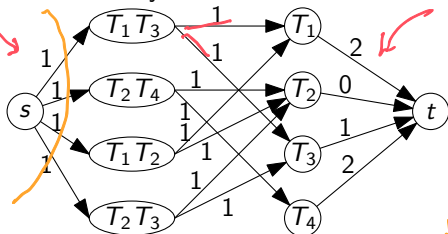
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$(T_1, T_3), (T_2, T_4), (T_1, T_2), (T_2, T_3)$

Determine if it is possible for team  $A$  to win at least as many games as any other team by the end of the season.

flow out of each game to  $\leq 1$



limits #games to below 6

if  $\max \text{flow} < \# \text{games}$   
then NO HOPE

$A$  has hope iff  $\max \text{ flow size} = \# \text{ games}$

# Open Pit Mining

Imagine the earth is a lattice of cubes.

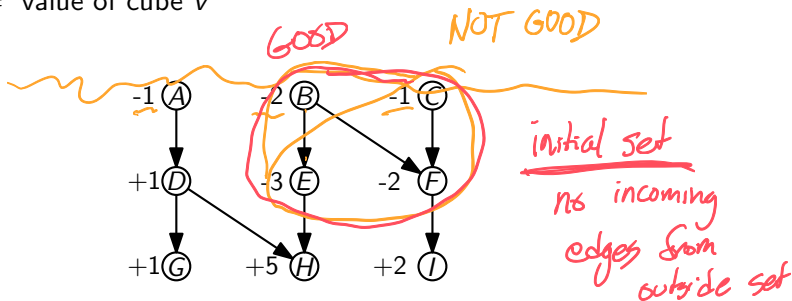
Every cube has a value (think “gold” minus “cost” to process)

Constraint: must remove some cubes before others (think cave-in)

Input: Directed acyclic graph  $G = (V, E)$ .  $V$  = set of cubes

$E = \{(u, v) | u \text{ must be removed before } v\}$

$w(v)$  = value of cube  $v$

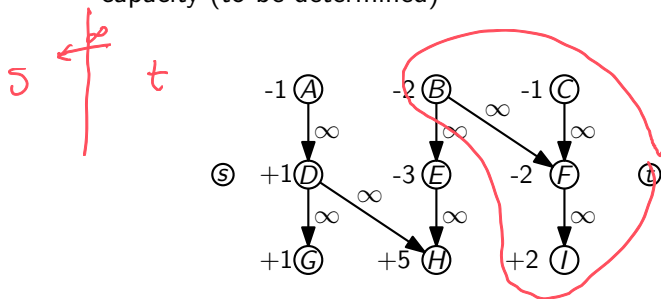


Find most profitable set of cubes to process but obey constraints.

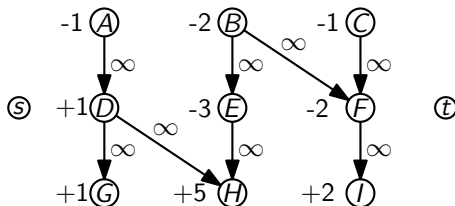
## Maximum Value Initial Set

Convert the vertex-valued directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  into a flow network so that

- A. Any finite capacity cut corresponds to an initial set.
  - B. A min capacity cut corresponds to a max value initial set.
1. Add source  $s$  and sink  $t$
  2. Set capacity  $c(u, v) = \infty$  for  $(u, v) \in E$
  3. Create an edge  $(s, v)$  or  $(v, t)$  for every  $v \in V$  with finite capacity (to be determined)



## Maximum Value Initial Set



**Claim:** In this network any finite capacity cut  $(S, T)$  defines an initial set  $T - t$  (and vice-versa).

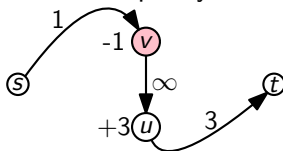
**Proof:** If cut  $(S, T)$  has finite capacity then no original edges are directed into  $T$  from  $S$  so  $T - t$  is an initial set.

If  $U \subseteq V$  is initial then cut  $(S = (V - U) + s, T = U + t)$  has finite capacity. Only edges  $(s, u) | u \in T$  and  $(v, t) | v \in S$  cross the cut from  $S$  to  $T$  (and they have finite capacity).  $\square$

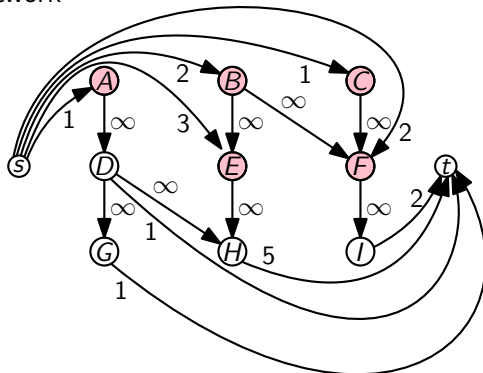


## Maximum Value Initial Set

**Idea** If  $w(u) > 0$ , increase cut capacity if we **don't** take  $u$  ( $u \notin T$ ).  
If  $w(v) < 0$ , increase cut capacity if we **do** take  $v$  ( $v \in T$ ).



Final flow network



## Maximum Value Initial Set

For any initial set  $U$ , the capacity of the corresponding cut  $(S = (V - U) + s, T = U + t)$  is

$$c(S, T) = \sum_{\substack{u \notin U \\ w(u) > 0}} w(u) + \sum_{\substack{v \in U \\ w(v) < 0}} -w(v)$$

$$\text{profit} = \sum_{\substack{u \in U \\ w(u) > 0}} w(u) + \sum_{\substack{v \in U \\ w(v) < 0}} w(v)$$

To maximize profit, minimize (over cuts  $(S, T)$ , which define  $U$ )

$$\sum_{\substack{u \in U \\ w(u) > 0}} w(u) - \text{profit} = \sum_{\substack{u \notin U \\ w(u) > 0}} w(u) - \sum_{\substack{v \in U \\ w(v) < 0}} w(v) = c(S, T)$$