CO 351: Network Flow Theory A10

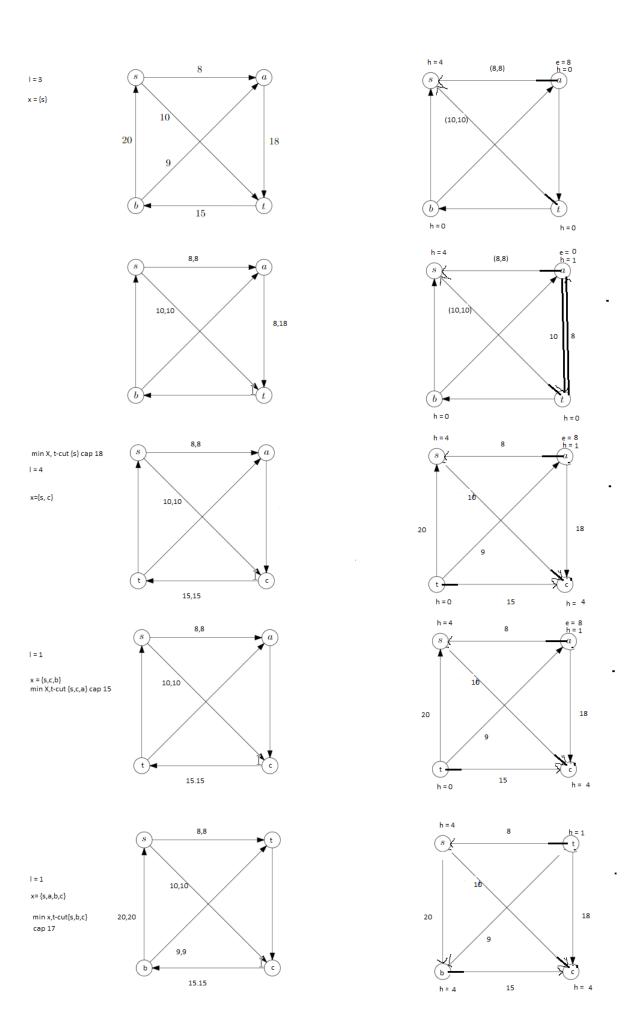
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1. Global min cut

We can run the algorithm twice once on G to figure out the minimum s cut in G and then we reverse all the arcs in G to create G'. We then run the algorithm on this new graph and output a min s-cut S'. Consider the most smallest s cut in G' we see that since the arcs are reversed' S' = V - S so $c(\delta(S')) = c(\delta(V - S))$ in the original graph G. So what ever min s-cut we produce from Hao Orlin in G' will have an equivalent cut in G that does not include S. Since we are only missing min cuts without S in the original run we just need to take $\min(c(\delta(S)), c(\delta(S')))$

2. Hao Orlin



- 3. We know that the chances of the global minimum cut surviving all the contractions of the algorithm is $\frac{2}{|v|(|v|-1)}$. We can extend this probability to every global minimum cut that belongs to G. So let p_i be the probability that $\delta(S_i)$ is returned by the algorithm. Where $\delta(S_i)$ is a global minimum cut. In order to return a different cut from the previous we restart the algorithm and contract the edges in different orders. This means that each contraction is a bernoulli trial and are independent, so $\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i \leq 1$ so that means $n * \frac{2}{|v|(|v|-1)} \leq 1$ so $n \leq \frac{|v|(|v|-1)}{2}$ which is equal to $\binom{|v|}{2}$.
- 4. Similarly with the proof from class we have the numerator being $c(\delta(S^*))$ this is the probability we pick an edge from the cut. With the demoninator being $\sum_{e \in E} c_e$. Considering the cuts of the form $\delta(v)$ for all $v \in V$, We see that $\sum_{e \in E} c_e = \sum_{v \in V} \delta(v) \ge \sum_{v \in V} \delta(S^*)$. Since $\delta(S^*)$ is a minimum cut. Then $\sum_{v \in V} \delta(S) = |V|c(\delta(S^*))$. So the probability that an edge from $\delta(S^*)$ survives the first contraction is $1 \frac{c(\delta(S^*))}{|V|c(\delta(S^*))}$ which is just $1 \frac{1}{|V|}$. Now suppose we have contracted k edges and our global mincut in $\delta(S^*)$ is still intact. Then we have |v| k vertices left in our graph. The numberator stays the same at $c(\delta(S^*))$ since our cut is still intact and the denominator is $\sum_{e \in E'} c_e$ where E' is the new set of remaining edges. So now $\sum_{e \in E'} c_e = \sum_{v \in V'} \delta(v) \ge \sum_{v \in V'} \delta(S^*)$ which is equal to $((|V| k) * c(\delta(S^*))$ So the probability of the min cut surviving the $k + 1^{th}$ contraction is $1 \frac{1}{|v| k}$. Then we see that the largest number of contractions is |V| 3 so with the proof from class we see that it is still $\frac{2}{\binom{|v|}{2}}$ chance of producing the min cut.