

Lecture 11: Transport Network and Matching

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At the Last Class

1 Graph as a Model

- Paths and circuits in a graph
- Subgraph and quotient graph
- Graph as a model for problem solving

2 Traversal in a Graph

- Euler paths and circuits
- Hamiltonian paths and circuits

Overview

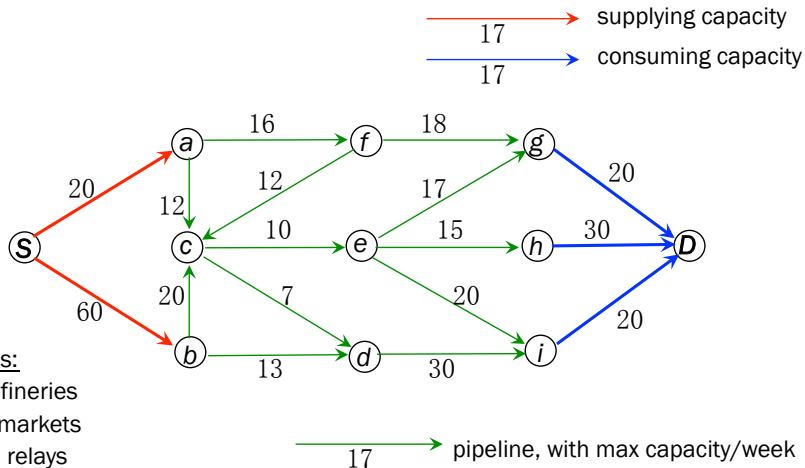
1 Network and Flow

- Transport networks and Maximum flow
- Labeling algorithm
- Matching in a bipartite graph
- Existence Condition of Perfect Matching

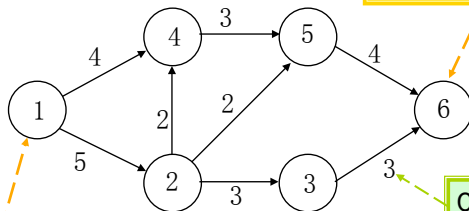
2 Graph Coloring

- Vertex Coloring of Graph
- Four-color and Five-color Theorem

A Model of Oil Supply



Transport Networks



The unique node with out-degree 0
The **sink**

The unique node with in-degree 0
The **source**

Capacity of edge, $C_{i,j}$

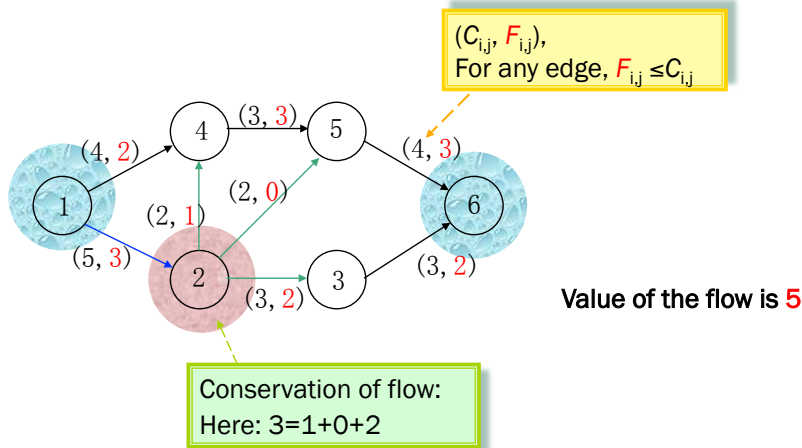
It is assumed that all edges are in one direction.

Transport Network: the Definition

A **transport network** is an ordered pair (G, k) , where:

- G is a weakly connected directed graph containing no loops.
- k is a nonnegative real function defined on E_G
- There are two distinguished vertices S and D in V_G , and usually S has in-degree 0, called **source**, D has out-degree 0, called **sink**.

Flows



Flow: the Definition

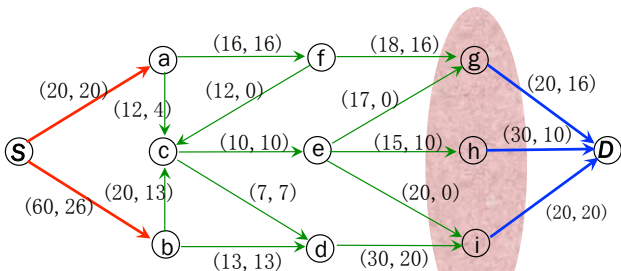
Let (G, k) be a transport network with source S and sink D . Assume the capacity function k is defined on the edges of G . A **flow** in G is a nonnegative real-valued function F defined on the edges of G such that:

Capacity constraint $0 \leq F(e) \leq k(e)$ for each edge $e \in E_G$.

Conversation equation $\sum_{y \in A(x)} F(xy) = \sum_{z \in B(x)} F(zx)$
for every $x \in V_G - \{S, D\}$, where
 $A(x) = \{y \mid xy \in E_G\}$ and
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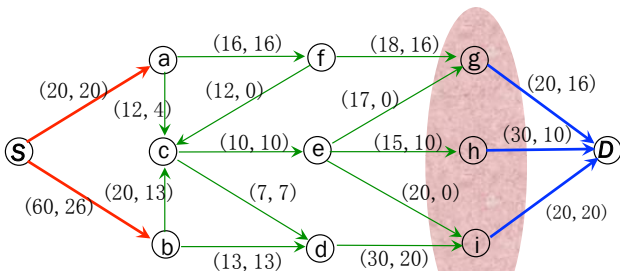


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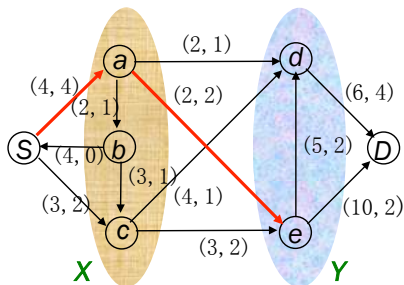


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Problem: Can we send more on the network?

Edge Sets in a Flow



$$\text{Excess capacity}(ce) = k(ce) - F(ce) = 1$$

$$(X, Y) = \{ad, ae, cd, ce\}$$

$$k(X, Y) = 2 + 2 + 4 + 3 = 11$$

$$F(X, Y) = 1 + 2 + 1 + 2 = 6$$

Note: $k(Y, X) = 0$, since $(Y, X) = \phi$

$$(X, V_G) = \{bS, ad, ae, cd, ce\}$$

$$(V_G, X) = \{Sa, Sc\}$$

Value of Flow

Let S and D be the source and sink, respectively, of a network (G, k) . Let F be a flow. Then $F(S, V_G) = F(V_G, D)$

Proof.

$$F(V_G, V_G) = \sum_{x \in V_G} F(x, V_G) = \sum_{x \in V_G} F(V_G, x).$$

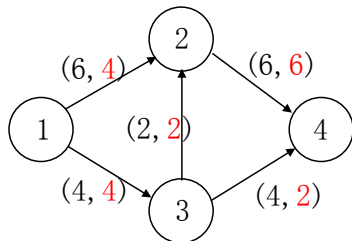
However, $F(x, V_G) = F(V_G, x)$ for each $x \in V_G - \{S, D\}$.

So $F(S, V_G) + F(D, V_G) = F(V_G, S) + F(V_G, D)$.

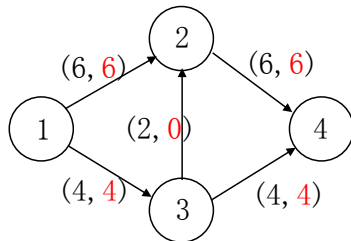
Deleting the terms equal to 0, we have $F(S, V_G) = F(V_G, D)$. □

The **value of a flow** F (denoted as $|F|$) is defined as the value of $F(S, V_G)$ (or, $F(V_G, D)$).

Flows with Different Value



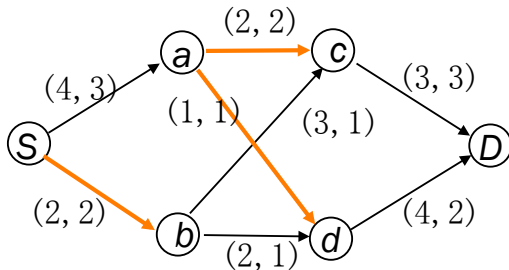
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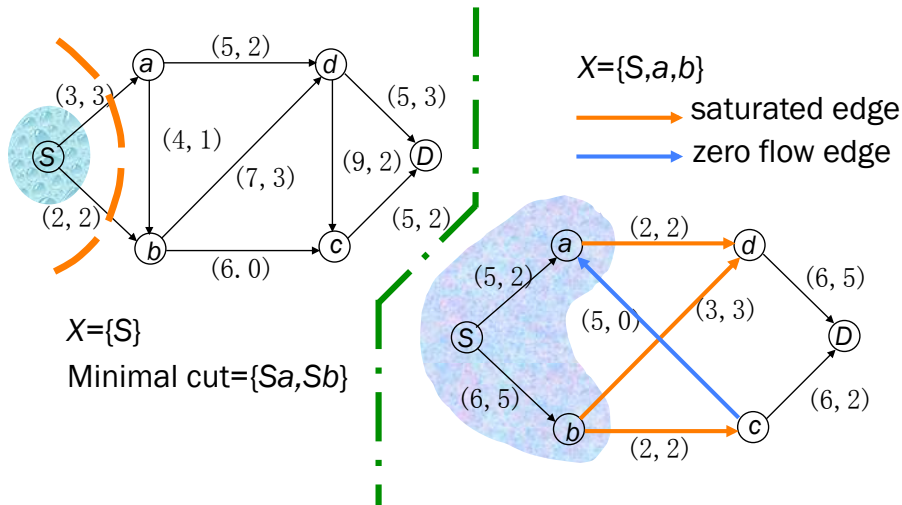
Maximum Flow

A flow F in a network (G, k) is a **maximum flow** if $|F| \geq |F'|$ for every flow F' in (G, k) .

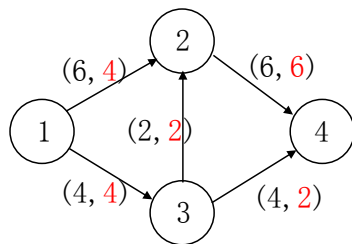


A maximal flow with value 5

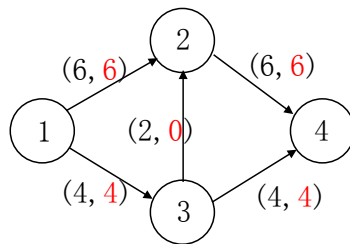
Two Examples of Maximum Flow



Problem of the Maximum Flows



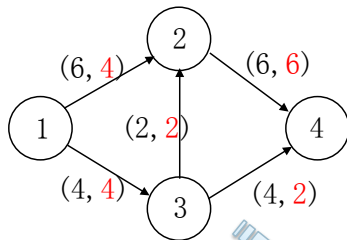
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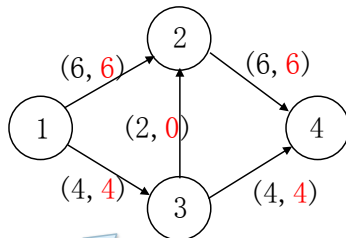
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Basic Problems: (1) Largest value of flow? and (2) A flow with the largest value?

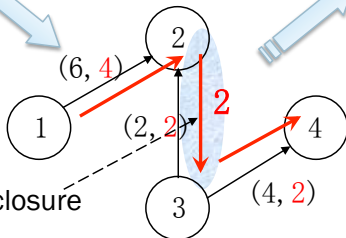
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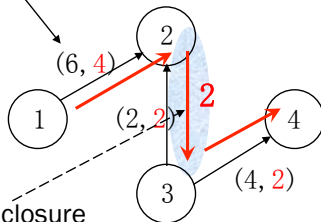
Excess of Capacity

$\pi : 1234$ is not a path in N , but in G , the symmetric closure.

$(1, 2)$ is in N , this edge has a
excess capacity **2** ($=6-4$)

$(2, 3)$ is not in N , this edge has
a excess capacity **2**

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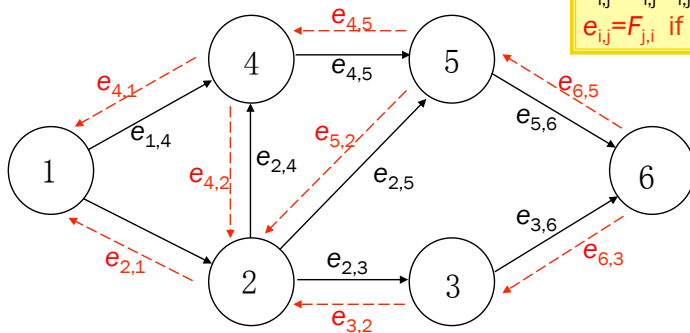


General Scenario

Excess capacity:

$$e_{i,j} = C_{i,j} - F_{i,j}$$

$$e_{i,j} = F_{j,i} \text{ if } F_{j,i} > 0$$



$C_{i,j}$ is the capacity of edge (i,j)

$F_{i,j}$ is the flow on edge (i,j)

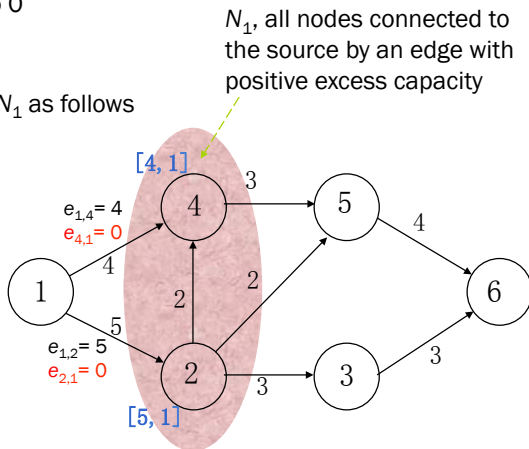
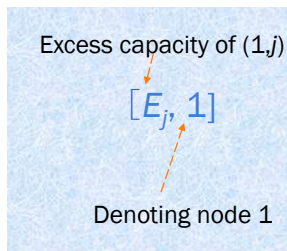
—→ edges in N
- - -→ edges in $s(N)$,
but not in N

Labeling Algorithm (Ford & Fulkson)

Initialization: set all flow to 0

Step 1: (1) Identify N_1

(2) Label nodes in N_1 as follows



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- Step 2: (1) Identify $N_2(j)$, based on the node j , with the smallest number, in N_1
 (2) Label nodes in $N_2(j)$ as follows

$$\min\{E_j, \text{Excess capacity of } (j,k)\}$$

$$[E_k, j]$$

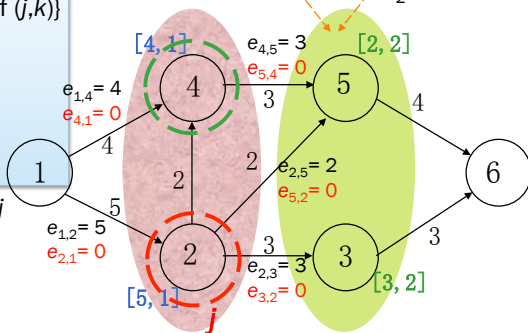
Denoting node j

- (3) Do as above for all j in N_1 , and let

$$N_2 = \bigcup_{j \in N_1} N_2(j)$$

$N_2(j)$, all unlabelled nodes connected to node j by an edge with positive excess capacity

Also N_2 , in this case



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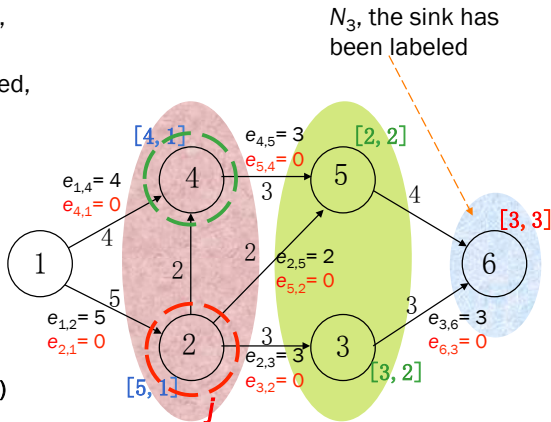
Step 3: Continue as in step 2, forming N_3, N_4, N_5, \dots , until:

(i) the sink has been labeled,
and the total flow is the
maximum flow (step 4)

or

(ii) the sink has not been
labeled, but no other
nodes can be labeled
according to the rules

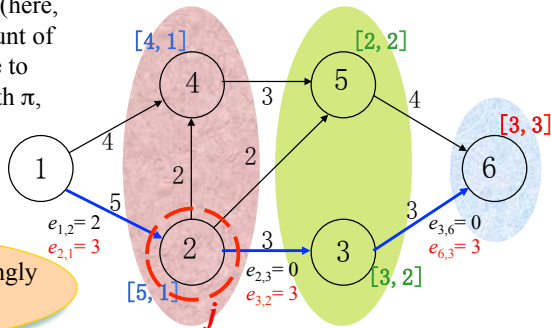
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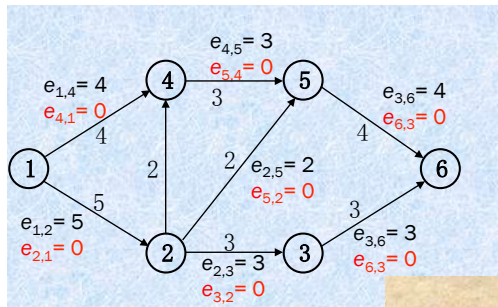
Situation after one full cycle:

The label of sink is $[E_n, m]$ (here, $[3, 3]$), where E_n is the amount of extra flow that can be made to reach the sink through a path π , and the path can be traced backward by node m



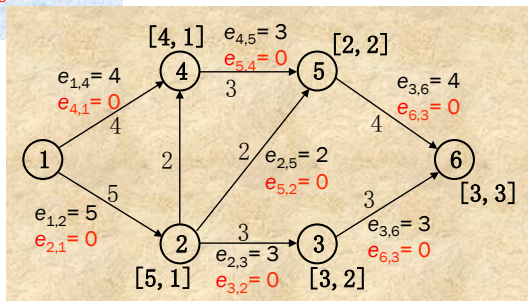
$e_{i,j}$, $e_{j,i}$ are changed accordingly
and then return to step 1

Applying Labeling Algorithm

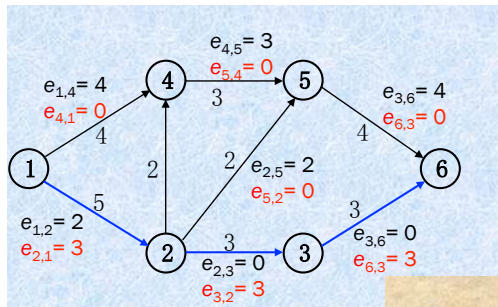


At the beginning,
setting all flow to 0

After the first cycle

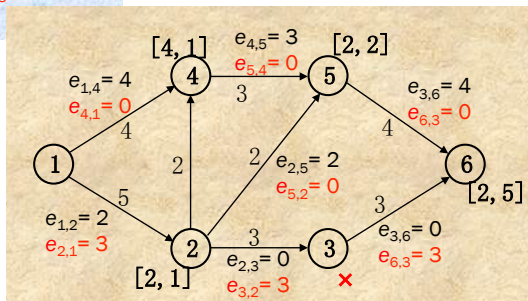


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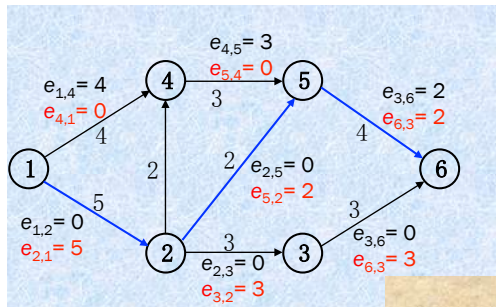


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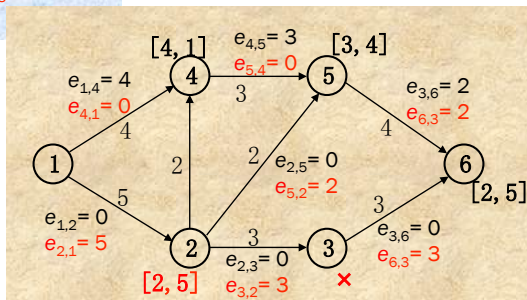


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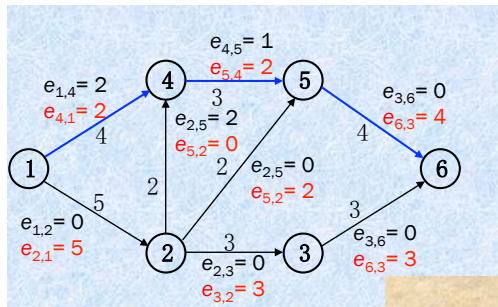


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After the third cycle



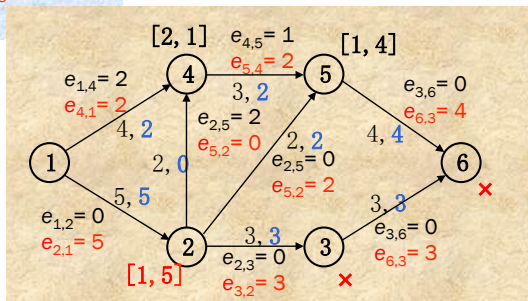
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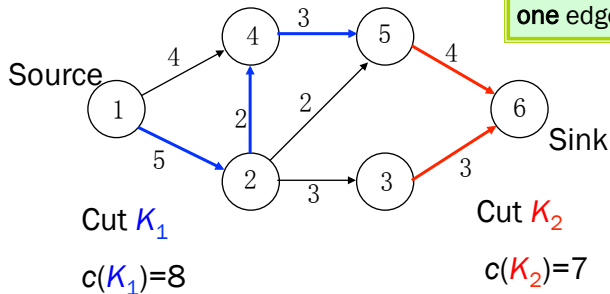
After the third cycle

After the fourth cycle

The sink has not been labeled, so the final result reached



Flow and Cut



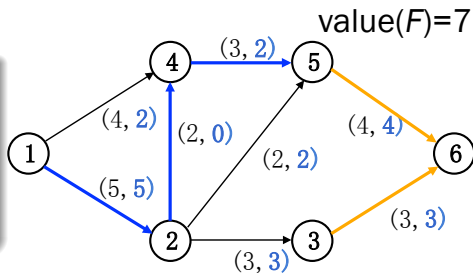
Cut: a set K of edges in a network N , having the property that **every** path from the source to the sink contains **at least one** edge from K .

Max Flow Min Cut Theorem

For any flow F , and any cut K , all parts of F must pass through the edges of K . Since $c(K)$ is the maximum amount that can pass through the edges of K , so, $value(F) \leq c(K)$. If $value(F) = c(K)$, then the flow uses the full capacity of all edges in K , F must be a flow with maximum value, and, on the other hand, K must be a cut with minimum capacity.

Theorem

A maximum flow F in a network has value equal to the capacity of a minimum cut of the network



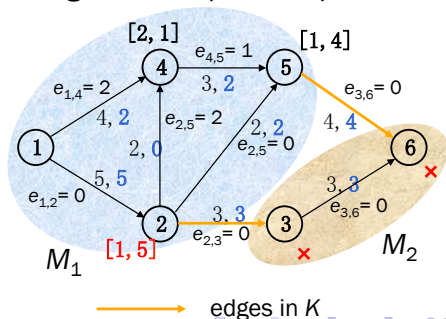
Correctness of Labeling Algorithm

Any path π in N from the source to the sink begins with a node in M_1 and ends with a node in M_2 .

Let K consists of all edges in N that connect a node in M_1 with a node in M_2 . So, there must be a edge (i, j) , with i is the last node in π that belongs to M_1 , and j in M_2 . So, (i, j) is in K , and K is a cut.

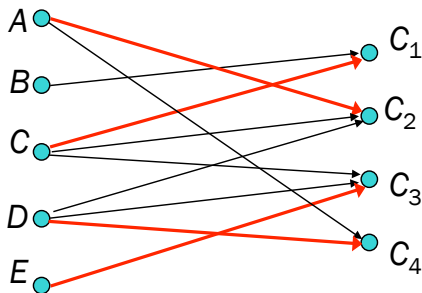
Algorithm stops at Step 4

For all such (i, j) , the final flow produced by the algorithm must result in (i, j) carrying its full capacity, otherwise, the positive excess capacity will cause j labeled, contradiction.



“Non-Transport” Transport Network

5 persons A, B, C, D, E belongs to 4 committees C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4 , where $C_1 = \{B, C\}$; $C_2 = \{A, C, D\}$; $C_3 = \{C, D, E\}$; $C_4 = \{A, D\}$. Is it possible to select 4 chairperson where no one chairs more than one?



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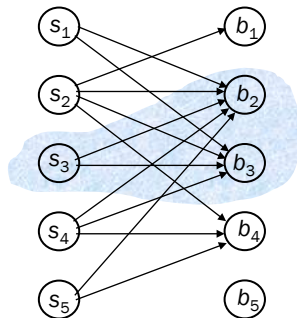
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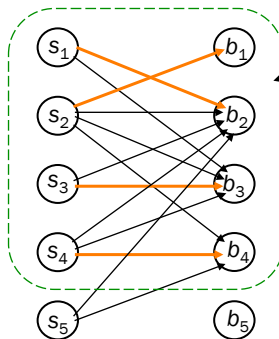
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- How should these assignments be made?

Matching



Relation R

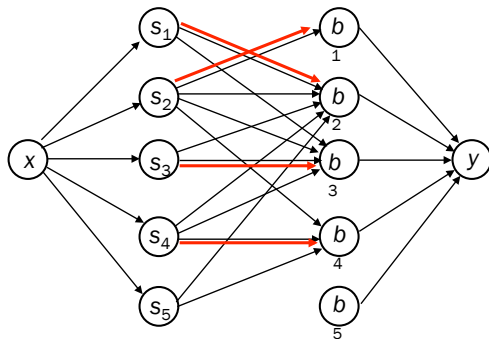
Note: $R(s_3) = b_2$, and $R(s_3) = b_3$,
 $R(\{s_3\}) = \{b_2, b_3\}$



If this is a
relation R' , then
 M is a complete
matching
compatible to R'

Matching function M , compatible to R
A maximal matching, but not complete

Matching and Flow in Network



Labeling algorithm for max flow is used in the network to compute the matching

with each capacity set to 1

Hall's Marriage Theorem

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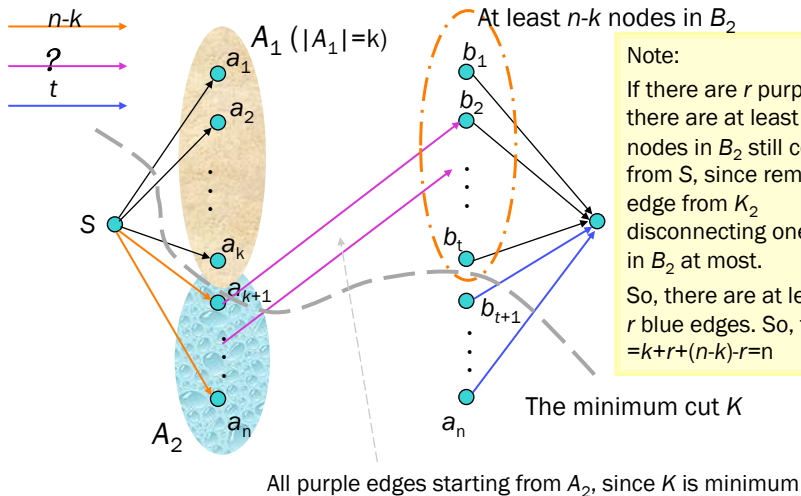
Proof.

\Rightarrow : Obvious.

\Leftarrow : Show that the minimum cut in N has value $n = |A|$. Suppose K is a minimal cut. We can consider all edges in K as in three sets: S_1 : those begin at supersource; S_2 : those correspond to pairs in R ; S_3 : those end at supersink. Considering the situation of removing the three sets one by one, we can see that K contains at least n edges.



Proof of Hall's Theorem



Note:

If there are r purple edges, there are at least $(n-k)-r$ nodes in B_2 still connected from S , since removing one edge from K_2 disconnecting one nodes in B_2 at most.

So, there are at least $(n-k)-r$ blue edges. So, the $|K| = k+r+(n-k)-r=n$

Chromatic Number of Graph

Definition

Coloring each vertex in a graph without rings, if no adjacent vertices has the same color, the coloring is called a **proper coloring**.

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The smallest number of colors needed to produce a proper coloring of a graph G is called the chromatic number of the graph, denoted by $\chi(G)$.

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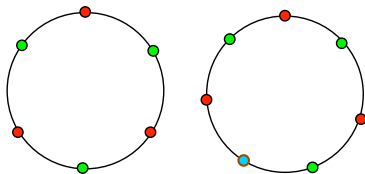
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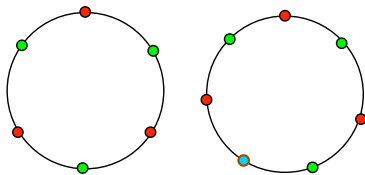
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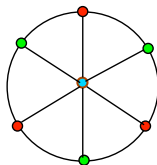
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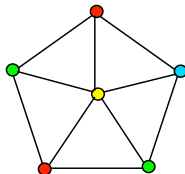
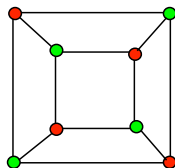
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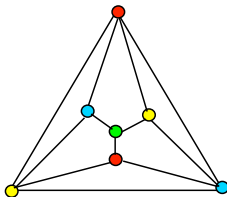
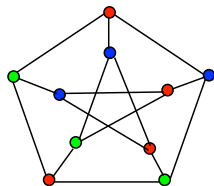
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- G is a graph with at least one edge (i.e. not discrete graph), then, $\chi(G) = 2$ if and only if G is a bipartite graph.
 - \Rightarrow : if $\chi(G) = 2$, then there is no odd cycle in G ;
 - \Leftarrow : if G is a bipartite graph, then only one color is needed for one set in the partition.

Chromatic Number: Examples



Upper left:
a bipartite graph

Upper right: wheel

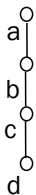


Lower left
 $\Delta=3, \chi=3$

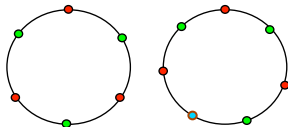
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Chromatic Polynomial

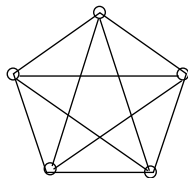
Give a graph G and a set of “color” $(\{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\})$, the number of different coloring for G is a function of n . The function is a polynomial function, called the **chromatic polynomial**.



$$P_G(x) = x(x-1)^3$$



$$P_G(x) = (x-1)^n + (-1)^n(x-1)$$



$$P_G(x) = x(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)(x-4)$$

Recursive Formula

Theorem

$P_G(x) = P_{G_e}(x) - P_{G^e}(x)$, where $G_e = G - \{e\}$, G^e is the graph by merging the edge e in G .

Recursive Formula

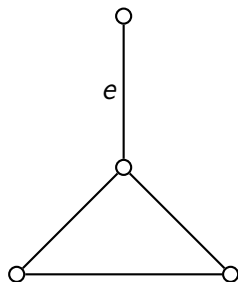
Theorem

$P_G(x) = P_{G_e}(x) - P_{G^e}(x)$, where $G_e = G - \{e\}$, G^e is the graph by merging the edge e in G .

Proof.

Compare the coloring of G and G_e . For G_e , any coloring in which the two endpoints of e are the same color is not in the coloring of G . However, the number of such coloring scheme is just that of G^e . □

An Example



G^e is K_3 , so, the polynomial is:

$$x(x-1)(x-2)$$

G_e has two component, one a single vertex, and the other, K_3 . So, the polynomial is:

$$x(x(x-1)(x-2)) = x^2(x-1)(x-2)$$

So,

$$P_G(x) = x^2(x-1)(x-2) - x(x-1)(x-2) = x(x-1)^2(x-2)$$

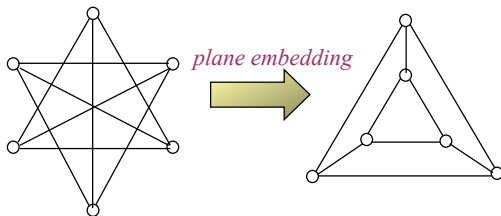
$$\chi(G) = 3$$

Concept of Planar Graph

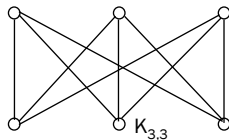
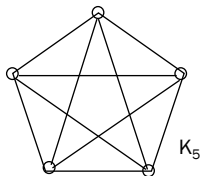
- Embedding a graph on a plane: Drawing a digram for a graph, such that no two edges cross unless on the endpoint.
- A graph is a **planar graph** if it has plane embedding.

Notes:

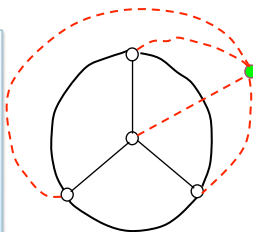
- Acyclic graph is planar.
- A graph is non-planar, if any of its subgraph is.
- Unconnected graph can be considered by components.



Typical Non-planar Graph



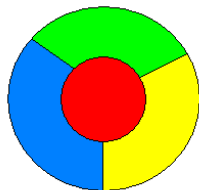
Jordan theorem: *a closed curve C divides the plane into 2 parts: the inner and the outer. The line connecting two vertices located in the two sections respectively must intersect with C .*



Jordan condition occurs, wherever the vertex is placed

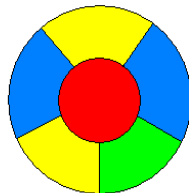
Francis Guthrie's Conjecture

Coloring areas in a map, such that no two areas with common border have the same color, four colors is enough.



3 colors can't do.

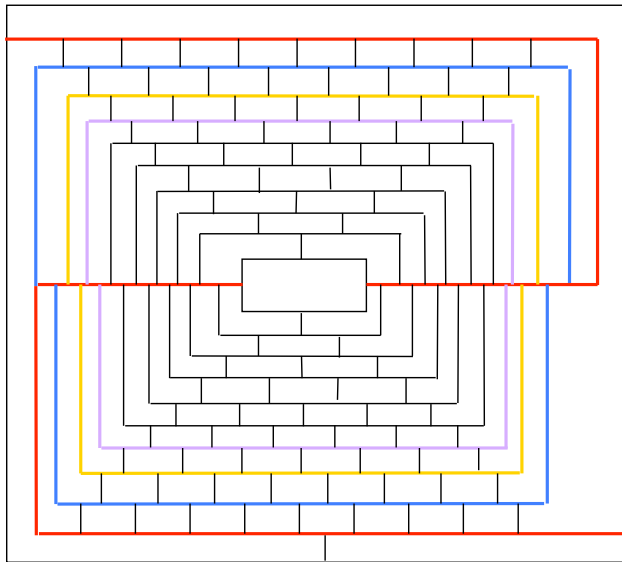
– Guthrie, de Morgan



It can be proved that no such pattern exists: 5 sections, with each adjacent to all other 4.

But ...

Martin Gardner's Gift for Fool's Day

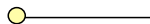
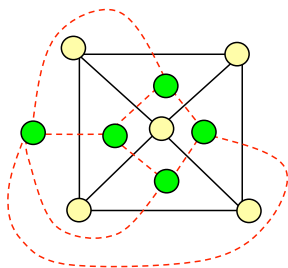


A
counterexample
for four-color
conjecture

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Scientific American
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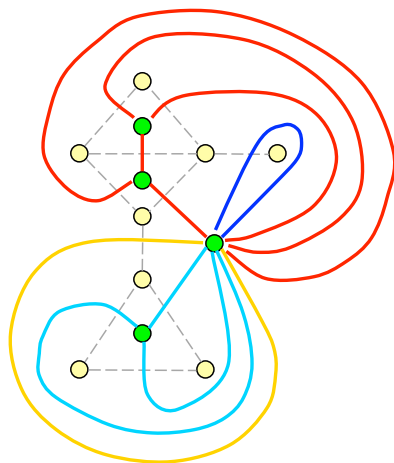
Dual Graph of a Planar Graph



Vertices and edges in G



Vertices and edges in
the dual graph of G



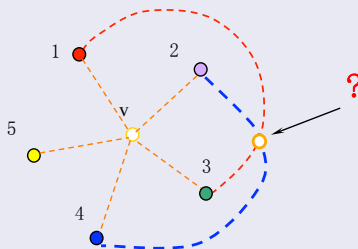
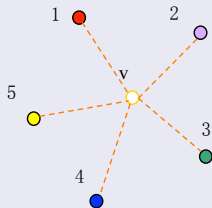
Five Color Theorem

Theorem

Coloring a planar map, with different colors for adjacent areas, five colors is enough.

Proof.

Sketch: There must be a 5-degree (or smaller) vertex in any simple planar. Induction on the number of vertices (if $n \leq 5$, obviously).
induction as follows:



Home Assignments

To be checked

Ex.8.4: 5-11, 14, 19-21

Ex.8.5: 4, 5, 8, 10, 14-19

Ex.8.6: 15, 16, 19, 23, 26, 27

Self tests

The End