

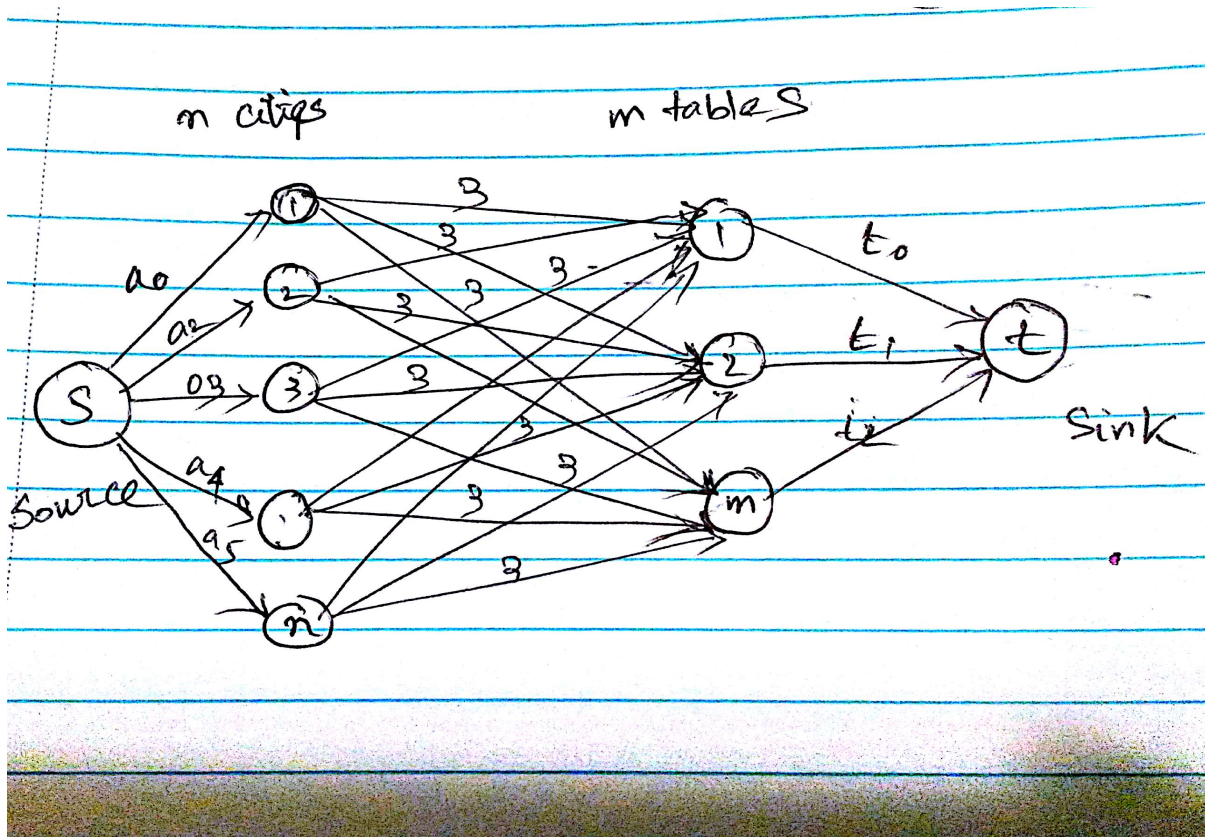
# CS5800: Algorithms Spring 2018

## Assignment 8.2

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**Algorithm:** The given problem can be framed as max flow problem if we introduce a dummy source and sink node. Let  $s$  and  $t$  are artificial source and target node. Now, there are two sets of vertices. One set indicates all the  $n$  different cities with  $a_i$  students from it i.e.  $u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n$ . The other set indicates  $m$  different tables with  $t_j$  capacity i.e.  $v_j : 1 \leq j \leq m$ . So,  $V = (s, t) + (u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n) + (v_j : 1 \leq j \leq m)$  and  $E = ((s, u_i) : 1 \leq i \leq n) + ((u_i, v_j) : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m) + ((v_j, t) : 1 \leq j \leq m)$ . If we connect source with all  $u_i$  and sink with all  $v_j$ , it becomes a bipartite graph. Now to ensure no more than 3 students from same city sit on same table, we give  $(u_i, v_j)$  edges a capacity of 3. Also, capacity of edges from source to  $u_i$  will be  $a_i$  and capacity of edges from  $v_j$  to sink will be  $t_j$ . Now we can apply max flow problem which will give us assignment of students to table where no more than three students from city can sit on a table. Please find attached the graph for this problem.



**Analysis:** Time complexity for Ford Fulkerson Algorithm is  $O(VE^2)$  if we use BFS to pick the path (Edmonds-Karp Algorithm) Space complexity:  $O(V^2)$  to store in adjacency matrix.