

CSC373 Winter 2015 Problem Set # 6

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Construct linear program:

- Variables: f_e for each $e \in E$
- Constraints:
 - Capacity constraint: $0 \leq f_e \leq c(e)$ for all $e \in E$
 - Conservation: $\alpha_u \sum_{(u,v) \in E} f_{(u,v)} \leq \sum_{(v,w) \in E} f_{(v,w)} \leq \beta_u \sum_{(u,v) \in E} f_{(v,w)}$ for all $v \in V - \{s, t\}$
- Objective function: maximize $\sum_{(s,u) \in E} f_{(s,u)}$

Correctness:

- Any valid flow f yields a feasible solution because the representation of this linear program is exactly same as the representation of Partially Conserved Maximum Flow problem. Therefore, maximum objective value $\geq \max\{f^{out}(s)\}$
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Hence, maximum objective value = $\max\{f^{out}(s)\}$