# Algorithms for Programming Contests SS20 - Week 05

Mikhail Raskin, Tobias Meggendorfer, Stefan Jaax, A.R.Balasubramanian, Christoph Welzel

May 25, 2020

#### A: Railroad Network - Sample Solution

#### Problem

Find out how many goods can be transported between two cities.

#### A: Railroad Network - Sample Solution

- Nodes: cities.
- Edges: railroad connections.
- Capacities: as given in the input.
- Output: value of a maximum flow.
- There is always a maximum flow with integral values if the capacities are integral.

## B: Fine Dining - Sample Solution

- Given: exactly one of each food and drink
- Given: preferences of friends for one of each
- Find the maximum amount of preferences that can be satisfied

## B: Fine Dining - Sample Solution

- Make a bipartite graph with main dishes on one side and beverages on the other.
- Add an edge between a main dish and a beverage if one of the people wants to order that combo.
- The maximum amount of satisfied people is a maximal matching.
- Compute the maximal matching using for example Maximum Flow algorithms.

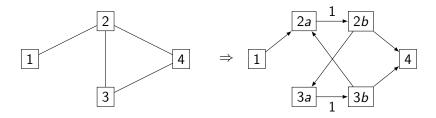
## C: Connectivity - Sample Solution

#### Problem

Find the minimum amount of devices that have to fail for Lea to lose her connection to the internet.

## C: Connectivity - Sample Solution

- Problem is a minimum s-t vertex cut.
- Split nodes to transform to a minimum s-t edge cut.
- ▶ Apply the max-flow min-cut theorem: maximum flow is equal to the minimum cut.
- Use Push-Relabel or Dinic's algorithm to determine this value.
- ▶ As maximum flow is bounded by *n*, Ford-Fulkerson also works.



## D: Football Champion - Sample Solution

#### Problem

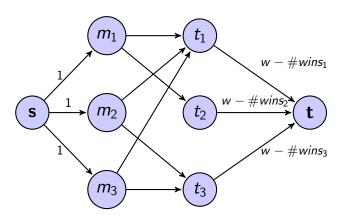
Find out if a given team can still win the Football Tournament.

## D: Football Champion - Sample Solution

- ► Flow problem (also known as the Baseball elimination problem)
- Choose a team T, set all its matches to be won, resulting in w wins.
- Model matches as sources, capacity: 1 (win).
- ▶ Model teams as sinks, capacity: w #wins.
- Find maximum flow.
- ► Team *T* can win the cup iff the maximum flow has a value of #matches.

#### D: Football Champion - Sample Solution

matches teams



## E: Goat Riders - Sample Solution

#### **Problem**

Given a grid of locations, move goat riders in it in such that they do not freeze to death.

## E: Goat Riders - Sample Solution

#### Solution

Model as a Maximum Flow Problem

- ► For every timestep:
  - Add one node per grid location with node capapacity of 1.
  - ▶ Remove grid locations that are inaccessible at this timestep.
  - Add edges between timesteps if a rider can move from grid location *a* to grid location *b*.

## E: Goat Riders - Sample Solution

