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1 Instructions

- The solutions **should be typed**, using proper mathematical notation. We cannot accept hand-written solutions. Here's a short intro to LATEX.
- You should submit your work through the **class Gradescope page** only (linked from Canvas). Please submit one PDF file, compiled using this LATEX template.
- You may not need a full page for your solutions; pagebreaks are there to help Gradescope automatically find where each problem is. Even if you do not attempt every problem, please submit this document with no fewer pages than the blank template (or Gradescope has issues with it).
- You are welcome and encouraged to collaborate with your classmates, as well as consult outside resources. You must cite your sources in this document. Copying from any source is an Honor Code violation. Furthermore, all submissions must be in your own words and reflect your understanding of the material. If there is any confusion about this policy, it is your responsibility to clarify before the due date.
- Posting to any service including, but not limited to Chegg, Reddit, StackExchange, etc., for help on an assignment is a violation of the Honor Code.
- You **must** virtually sign the Honor Code (see Section 2). Failure to do so will result in your assignment not being graded.

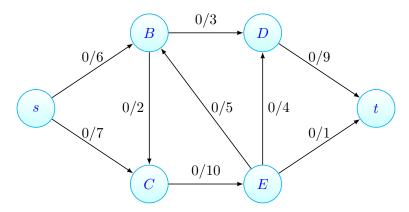
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- Any collaborations and external sources have been clearly cited in this document.
- I have not posted to external services including, but not limited to Chegg, Reddit, StackExchange, etc.
- I have neither copied nor provided others solutions they can copy.

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3 Problem 1

Problem 1. Consider the following flow network, with no initial flow along the graph.

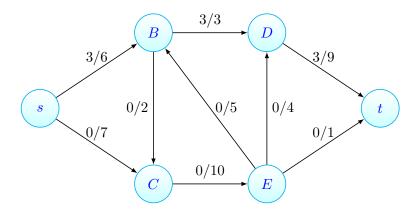


Do the following.

3.1 Problem 1(a) (1 point)

(a) Consider the flow-augmenting path $s \to B \to D \to t$. Push as much flow through the flow-augmenting path and draw the updated flow network below.

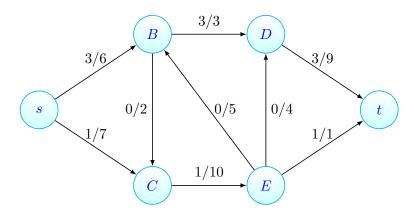
Answer. Updated graph:



3.2 Problem 1(b) (1 point)

(b) Find a flow-augmenting path using the updated flow configuration from part (a). Then do the following: (i) clearly identify both the flow-augmenting path and the maximum amount of flow that can be pushed through said path; and then (ii) push as much flow through the flow-augmenting path and draw the updated flow network below.

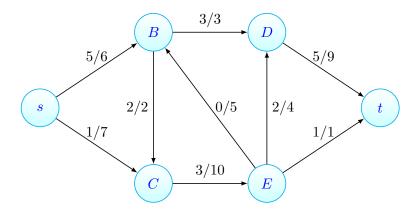
Answer. The flow augmenting path is: $s \to C \to E \to t$ and the maximum amount of flow through this path is 1.



3.3 Problem 1(c) (1 point)

(c) Find a flow-augmenting path using the updated flow configuration from part (b). Then do the following: (i) clearly identify both the flow-augmenting path and the maximum amount of flow that can be pushed through said path; and then (ii) push as much flow through the flow-augmenting path and draw the updated flow network below.

Answer. The flow augmenting path is: $s \to B \to C \to E \to D \to t$ and the maximum amount of flow through this path is 2.



3.4 Problem 1(d) (1 point)

(d) Using the flow configuration from part ((c)), finish executing the Ford–Fulkerson algorithm. Include the following here: (i) your flow network, reflecting the maximum-valued flow configuration you found, and (ii) the corresponding minimum capacity cut. There may be multiple minimum capacity cuts, but you should identify the one corresponding to your maximum-valued flow configuration. Then (iii) finally, compare the value of your flow to the capacity of the cut.

Note: You do **not** need to include the remaining steps of the Ford–Fulkerson algorithm. We will not check these steps when grading.

Answer. The minimum capacity cut is $s \to C \to E$ or $X = \{s, C, E\}$ because we can not push any more positive flow after that.

The value of the flow is 8 and the value of the minimum capacity cut is 8, which shows that we have found a minimum capacity cut according to the Max-Flow Min-Cut Theorem.

