

(十二) 图论: 匹配与网络流

(Matching and Network Flow)

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3 Theorems + 1 Algorithm

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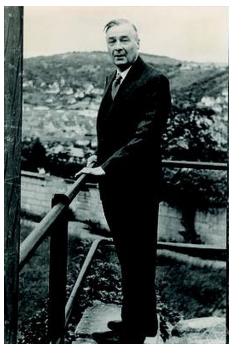


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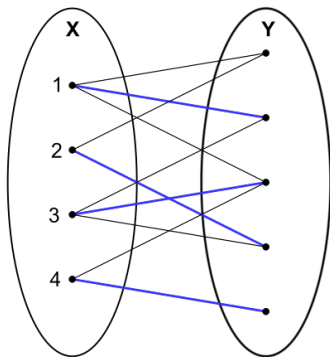
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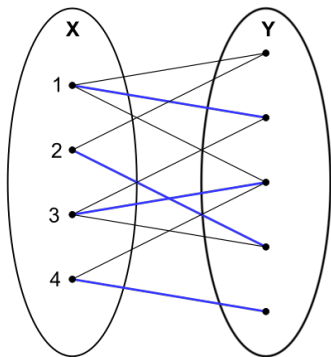
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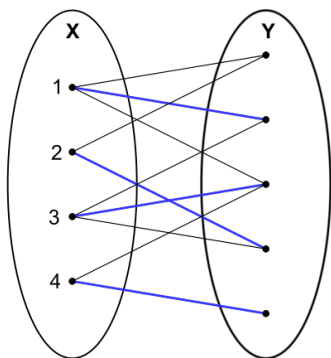
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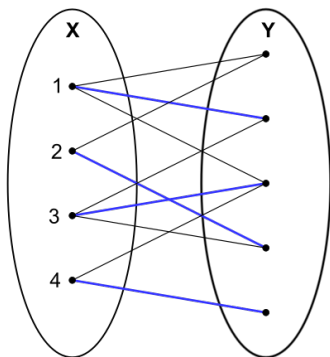


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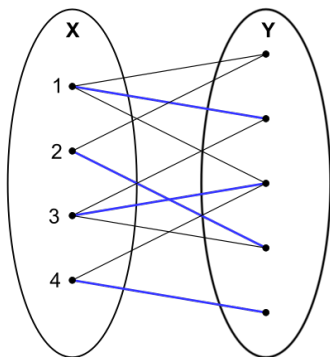
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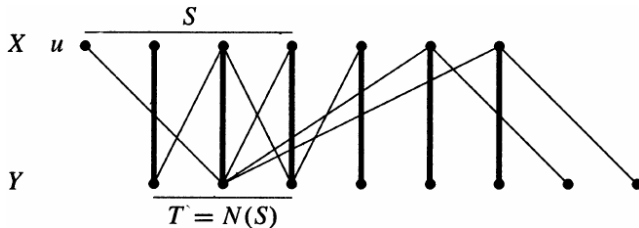
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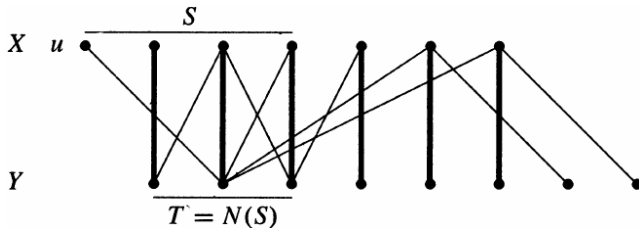
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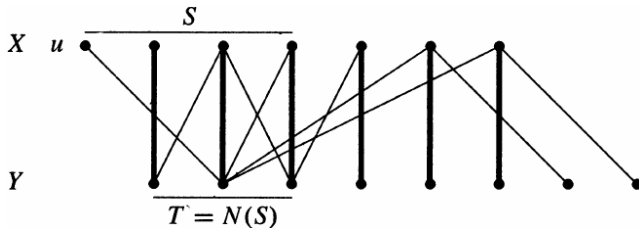


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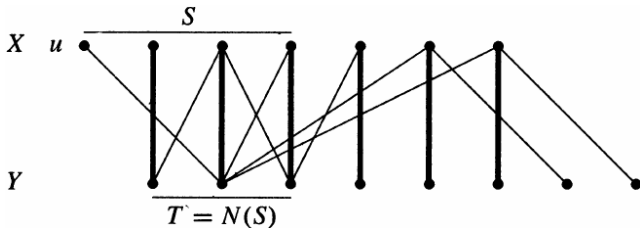
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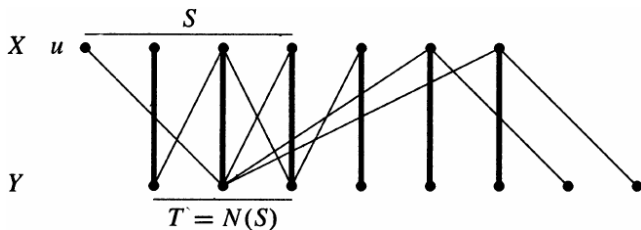
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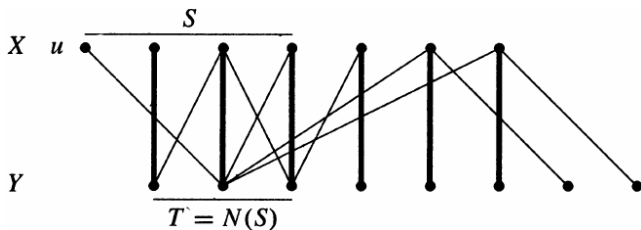
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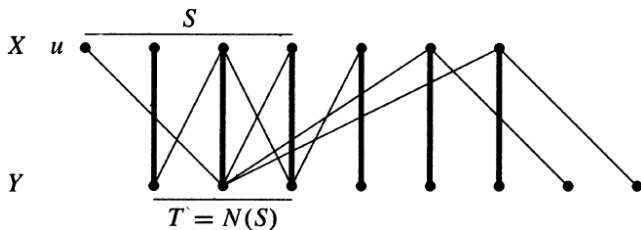


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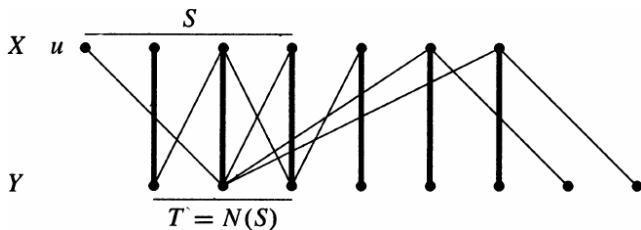


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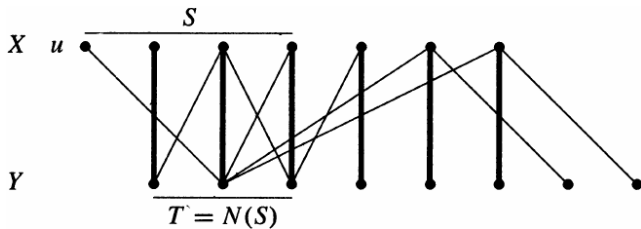
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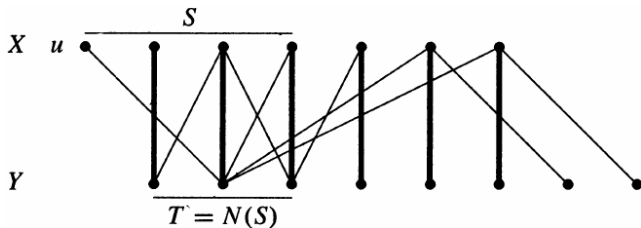
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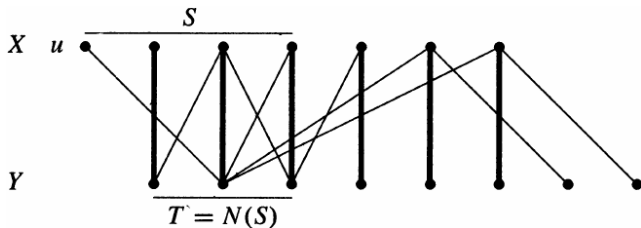


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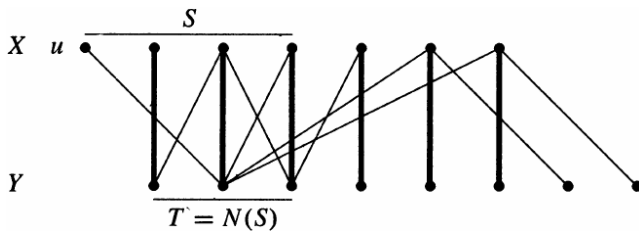
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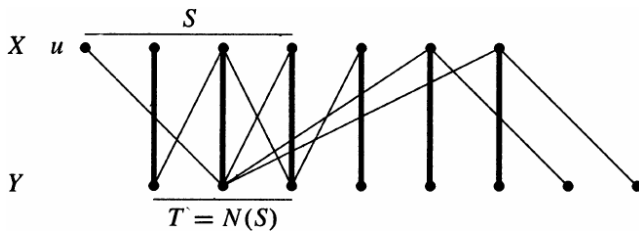
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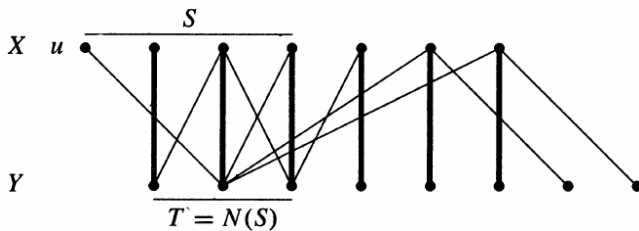


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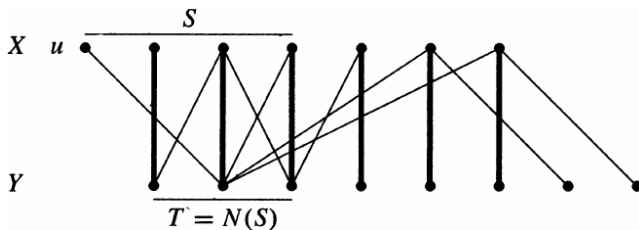
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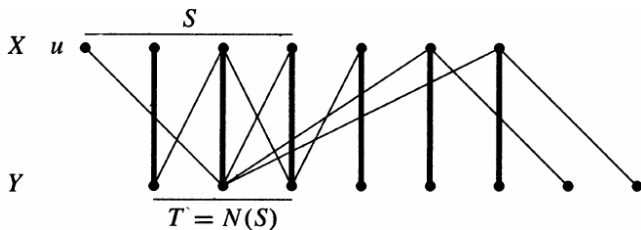


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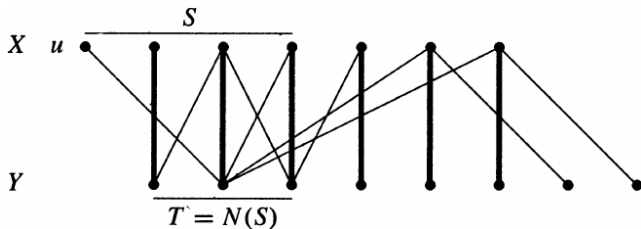


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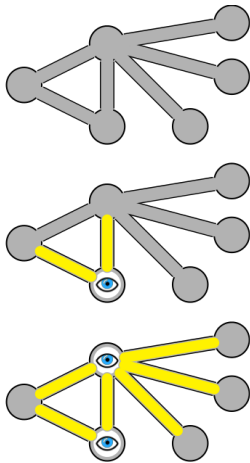
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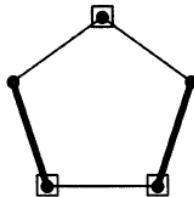
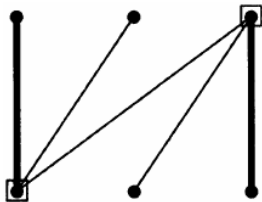
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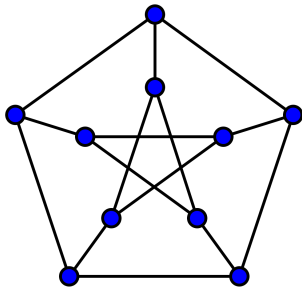
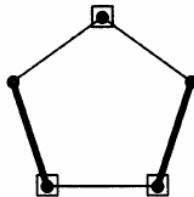
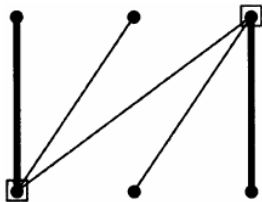
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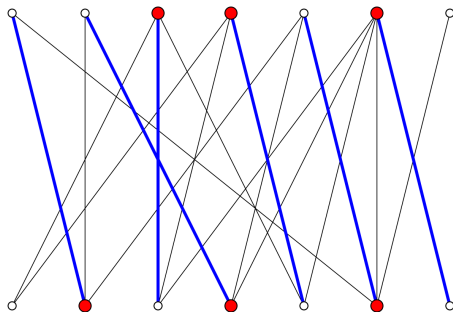


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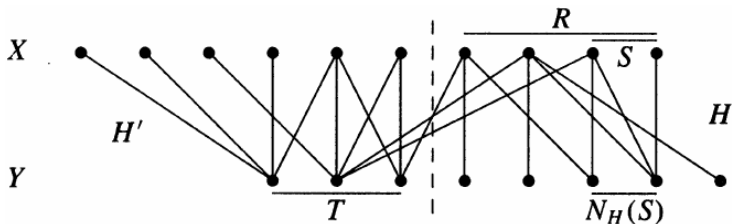


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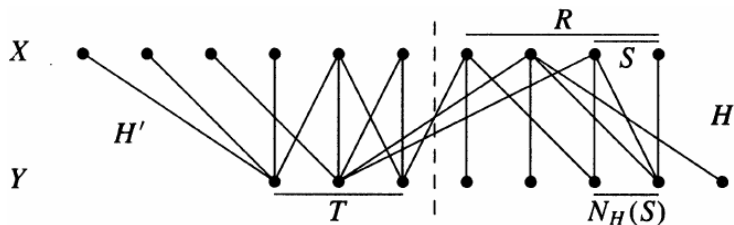
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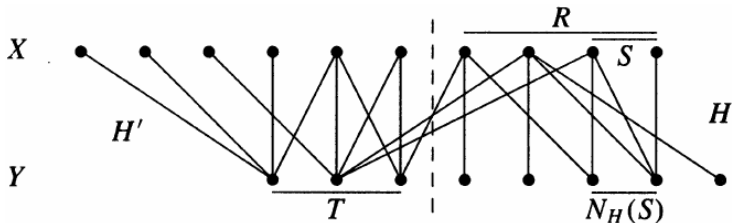


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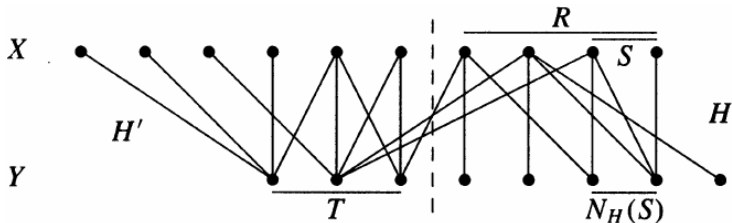


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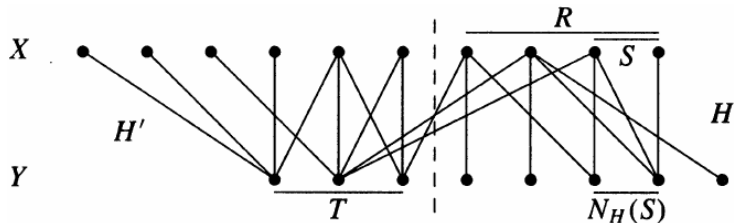
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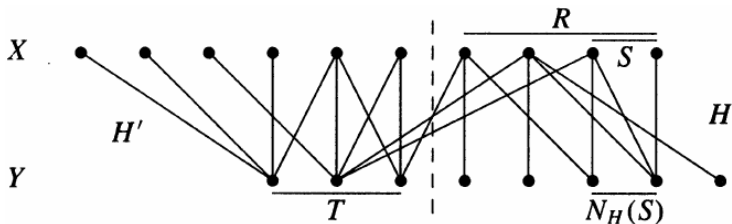
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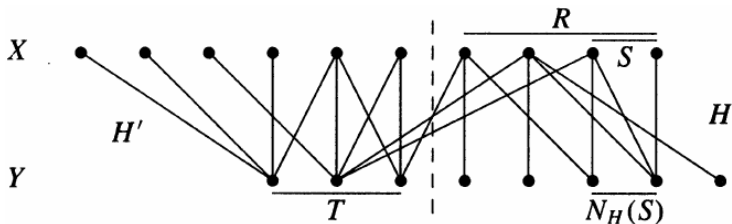
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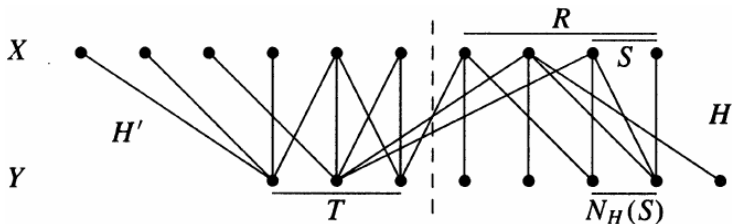


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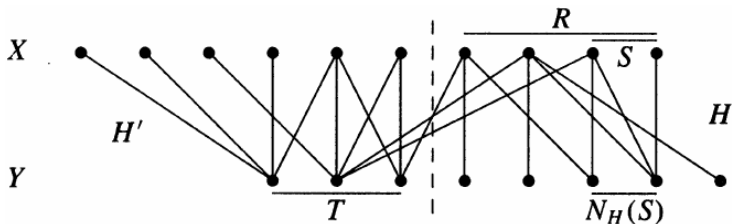
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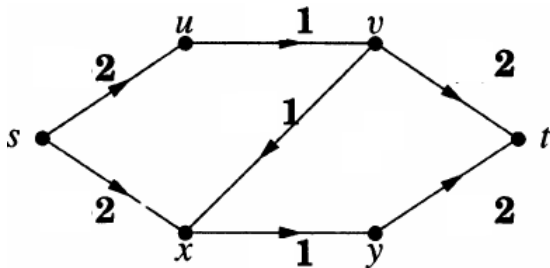
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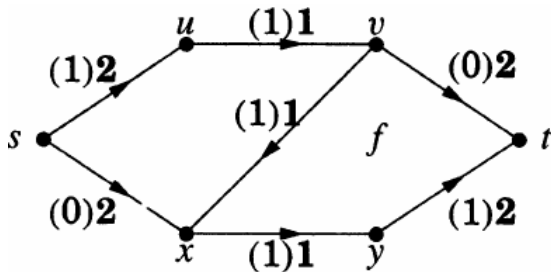
A **network** is a **digraph** with

- ▶ a distinguished **source vertex** s ,
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- ▶ a **capacity** $c(e) \geq 0$ on each edge e



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A **flow** f is a **function** that assigns a value $f(e)$ to each edge e .



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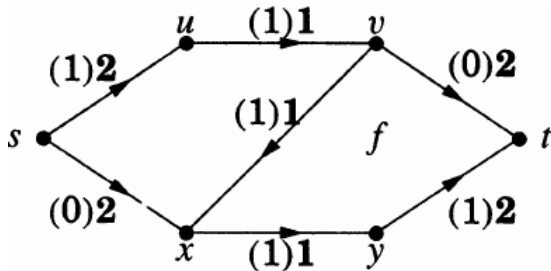
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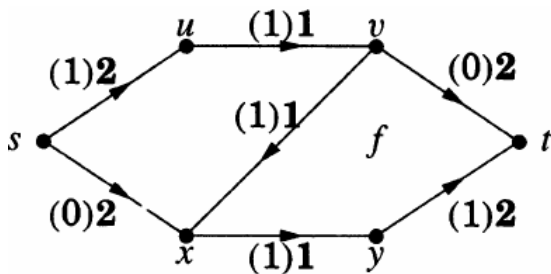
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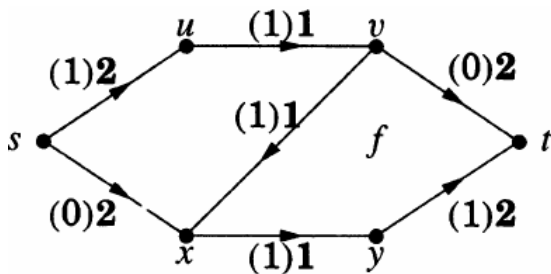
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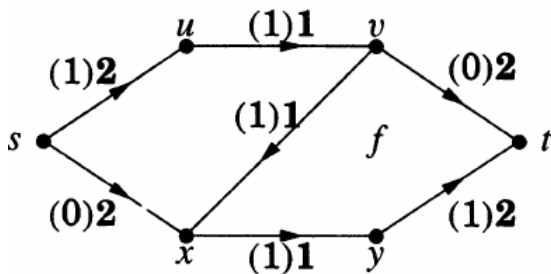


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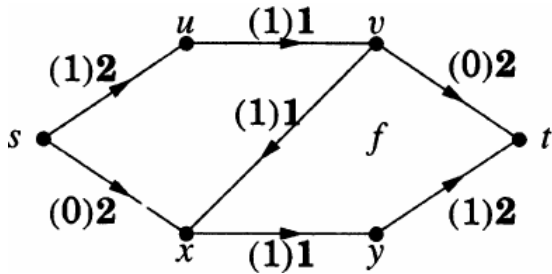


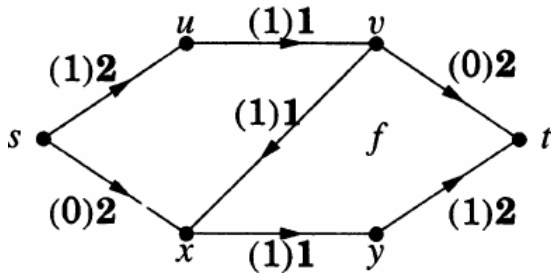
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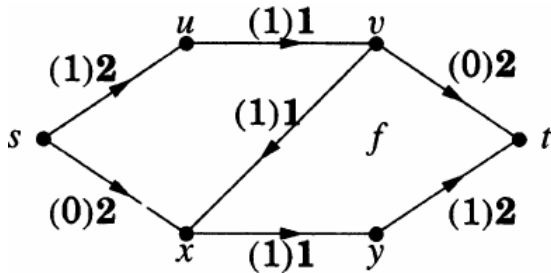


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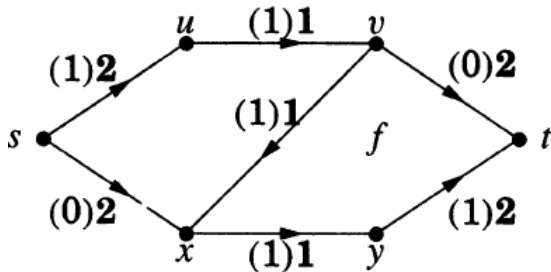


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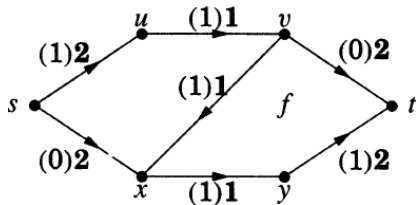
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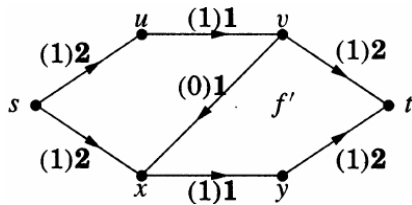
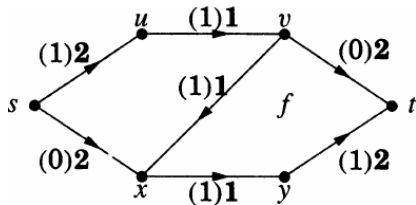
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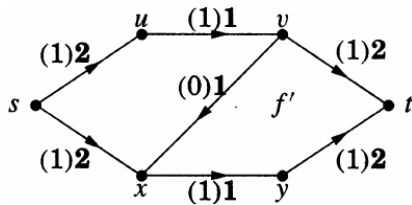
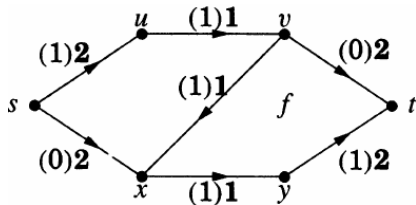
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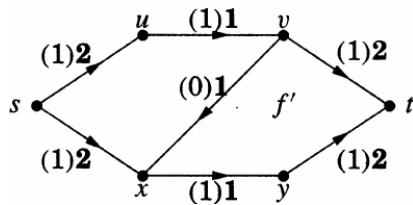
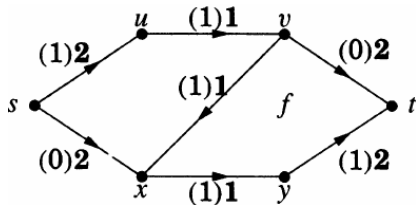
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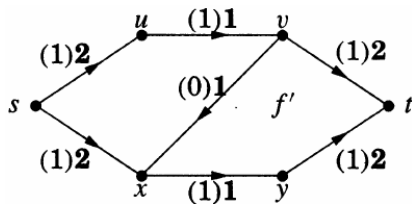
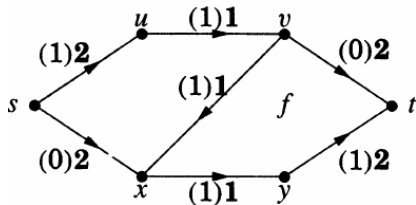
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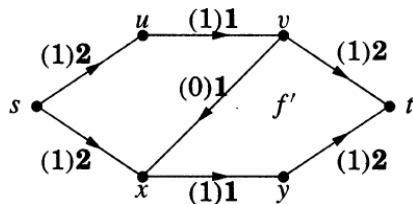
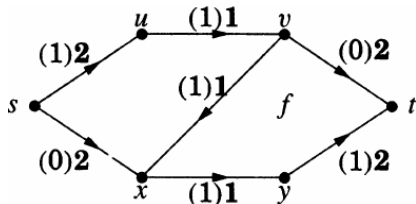
When f is a feasible flow, an **f -augmenting path** is a $s \sim t$ path P in the underlying graph such that for each edge $e \in E(P)$,

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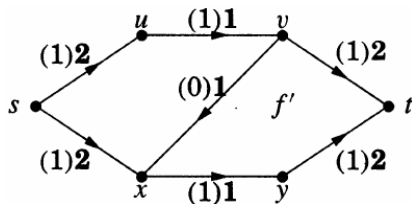
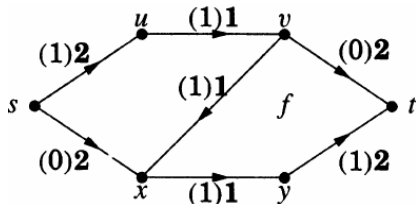
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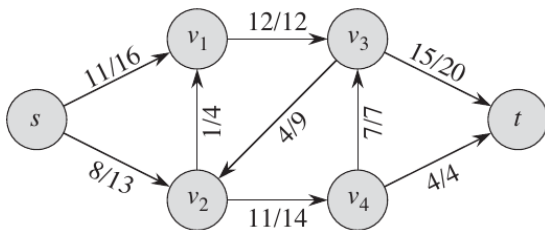
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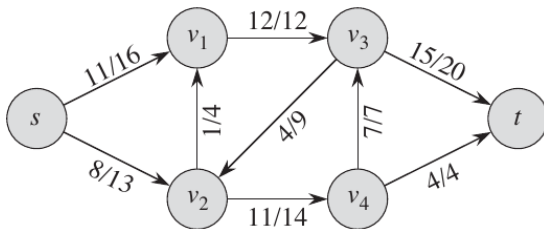
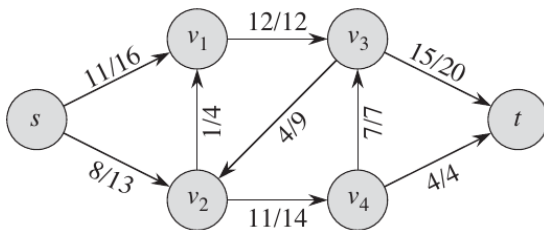
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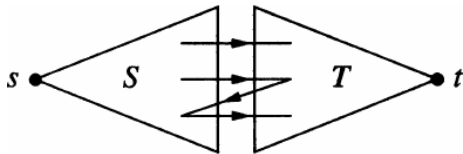


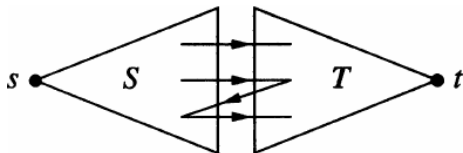


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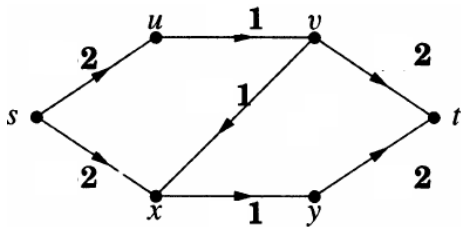
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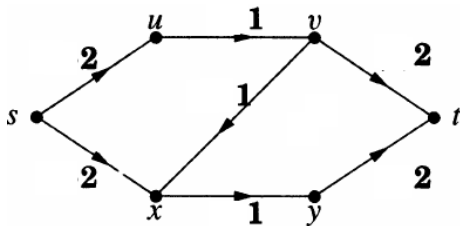




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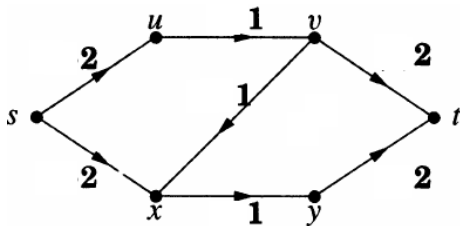
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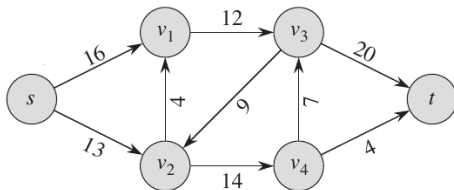
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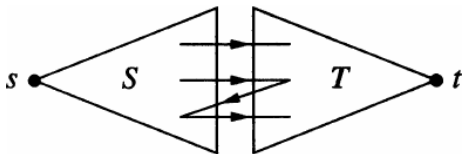
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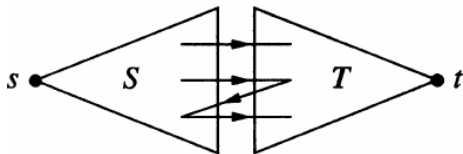
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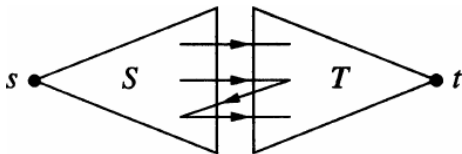


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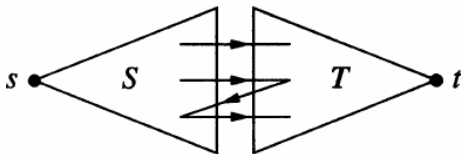


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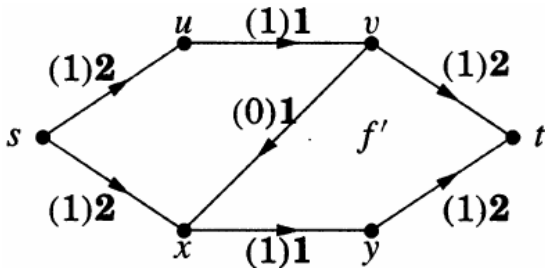
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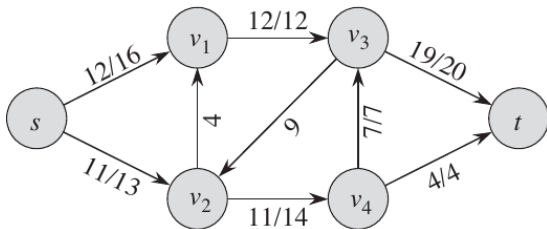
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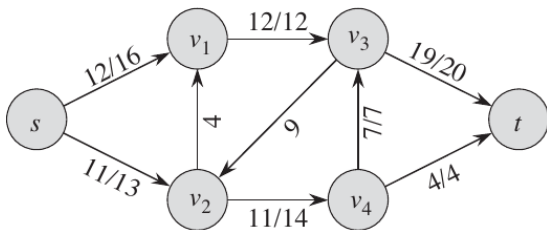
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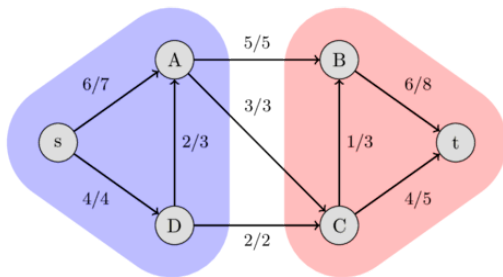
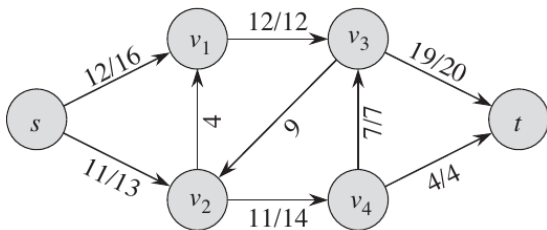


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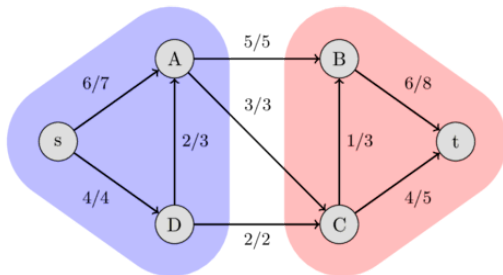
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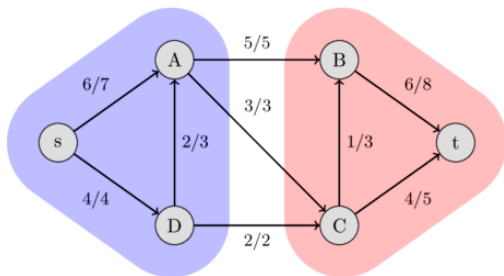
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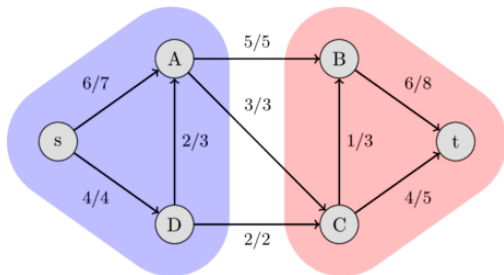
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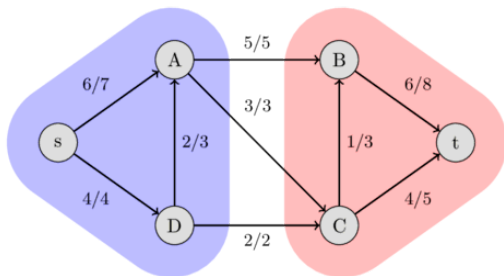
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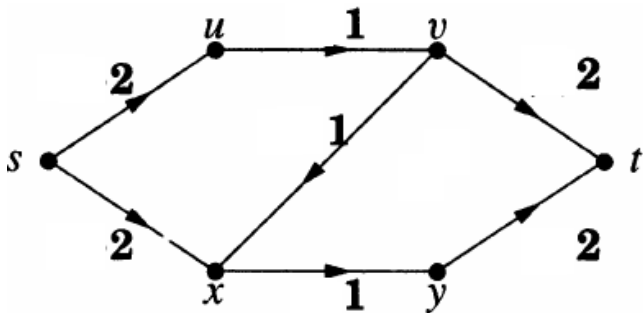
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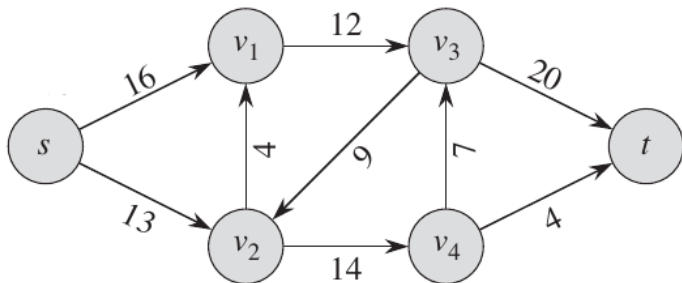
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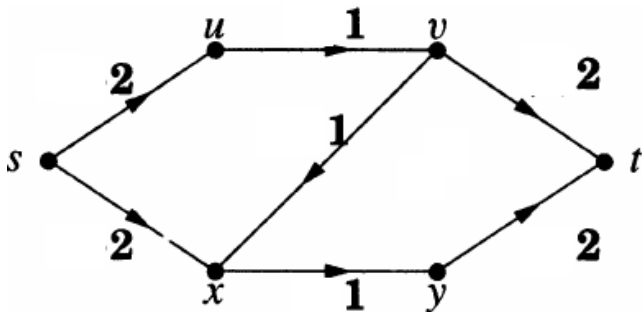


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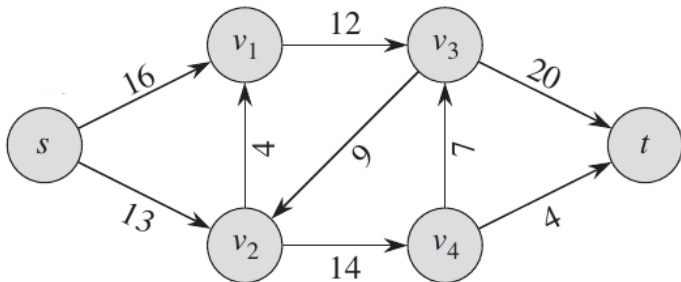
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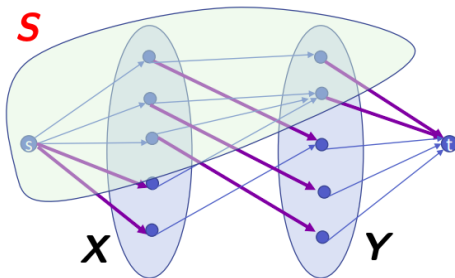
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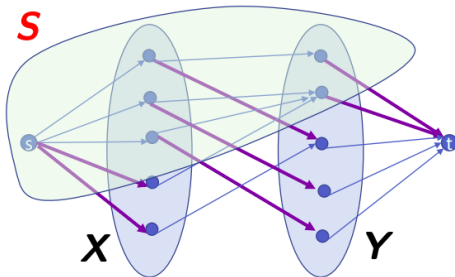


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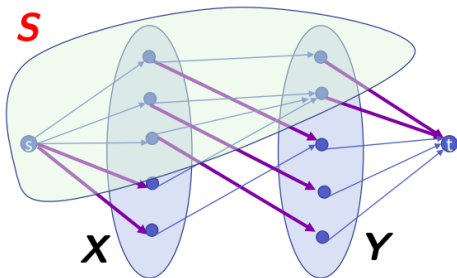
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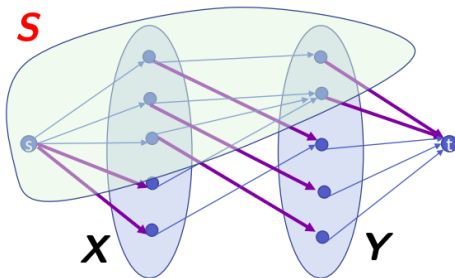
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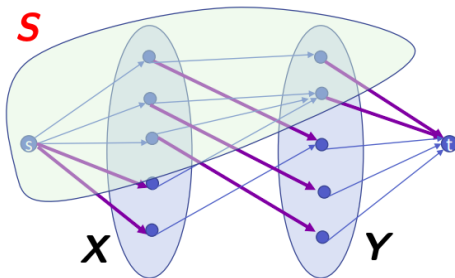


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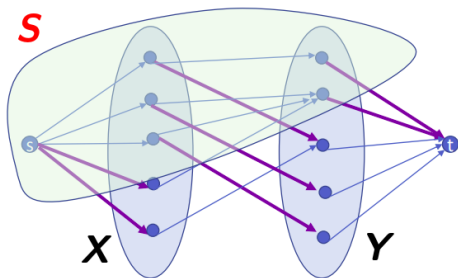
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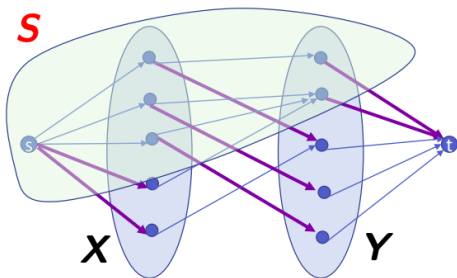
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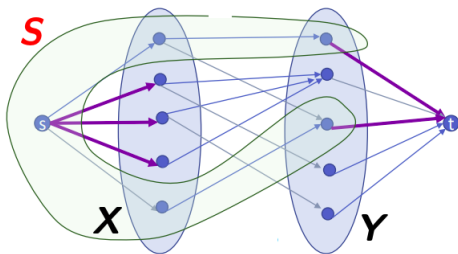


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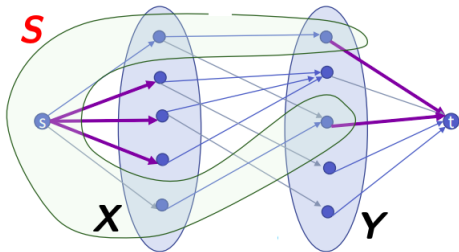


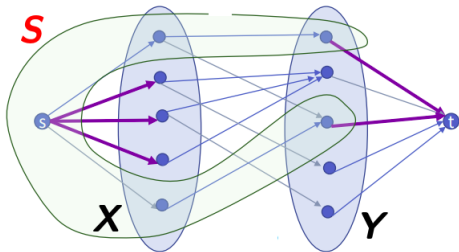
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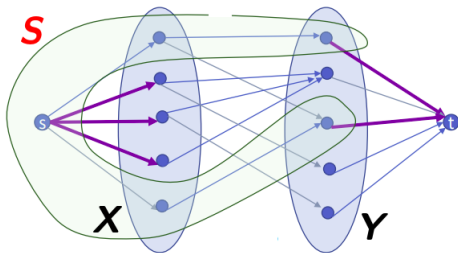


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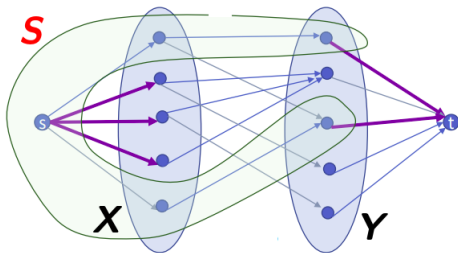




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 &= |X| - |S \cap X| + |S \cap Y| \\
 &\geq |X| - |S \cap X| + \textcolor{red}{|N(S \cap X)|}
 \end{aligned}$$

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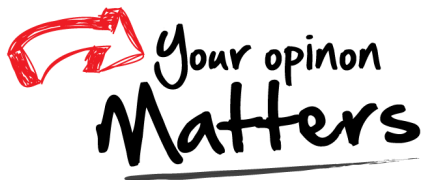
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