(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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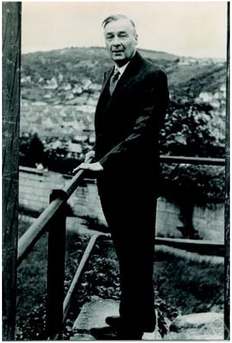

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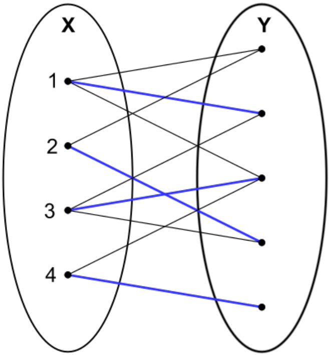
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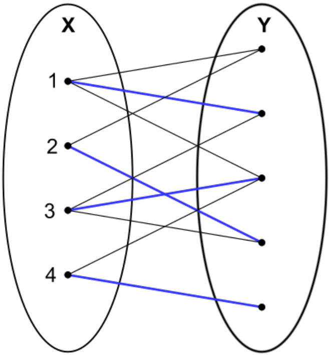

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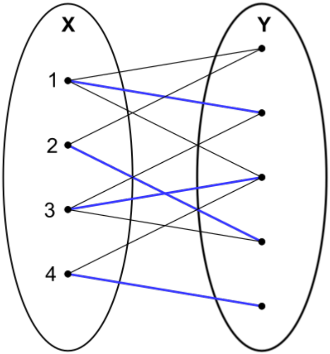

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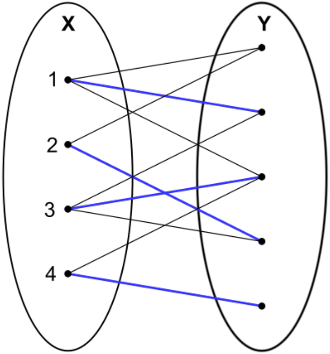

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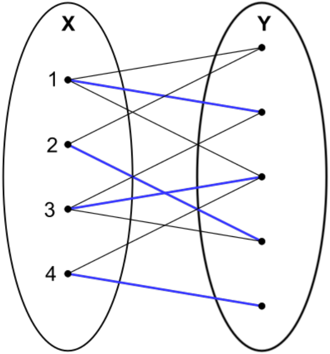

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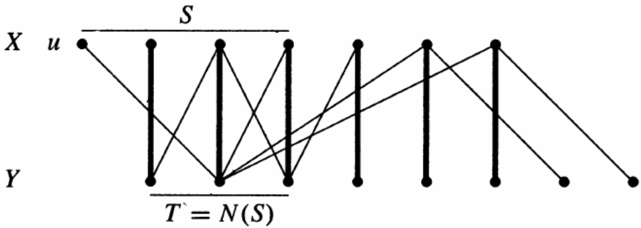

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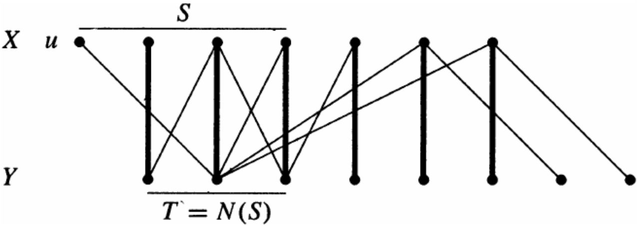

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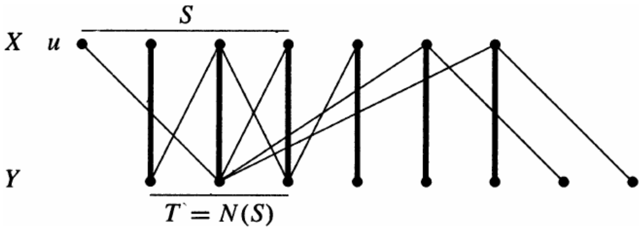

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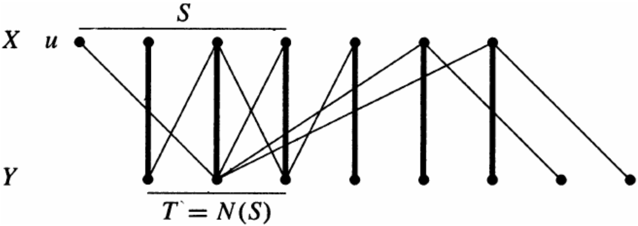

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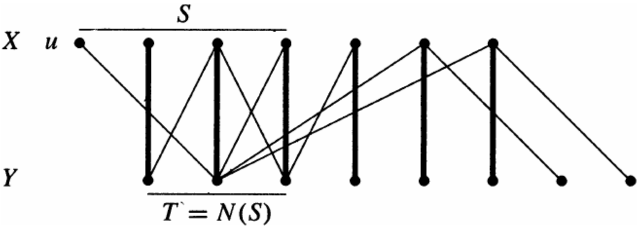

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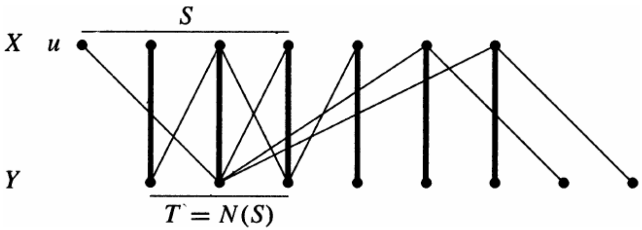

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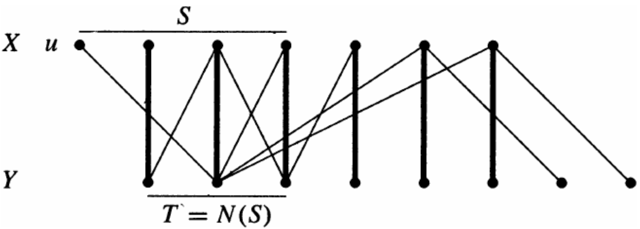

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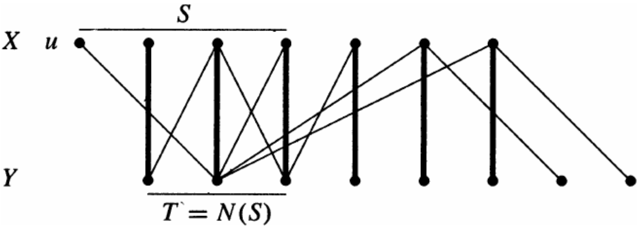

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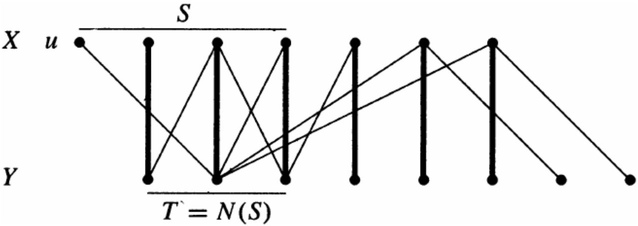

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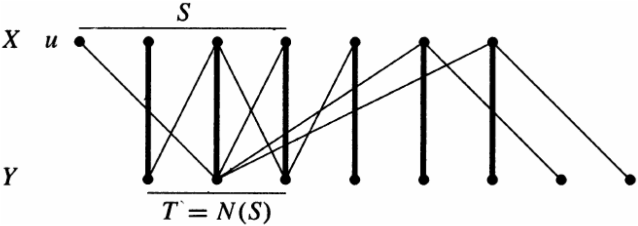

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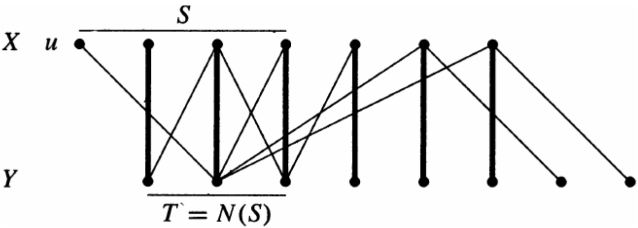

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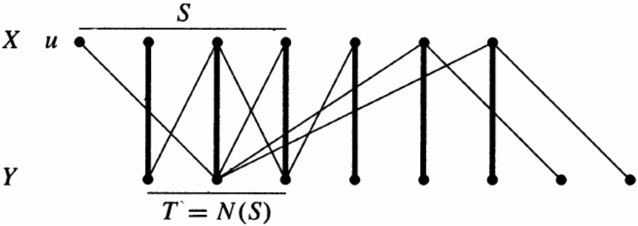

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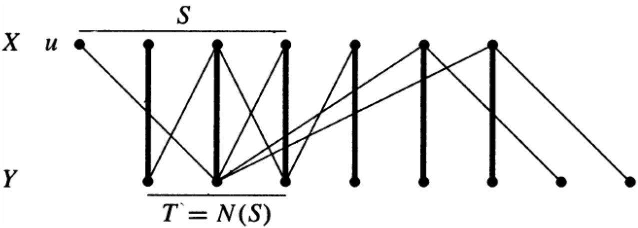

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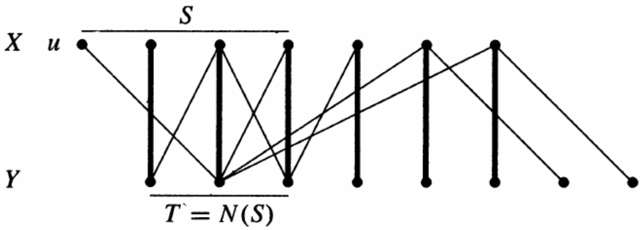

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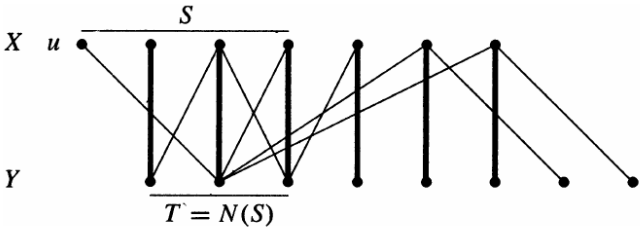

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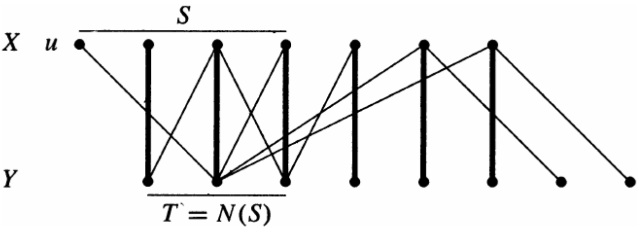

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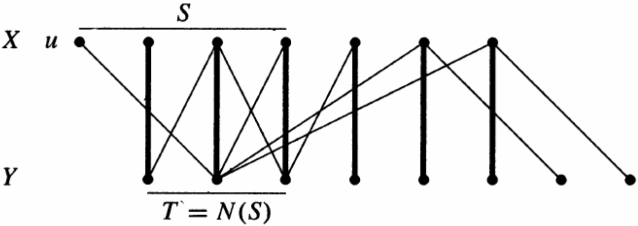

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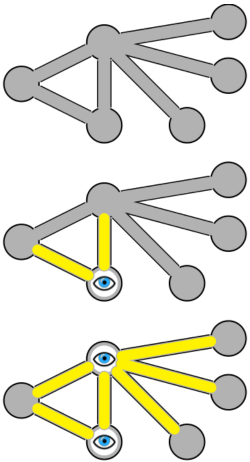

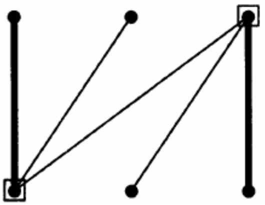

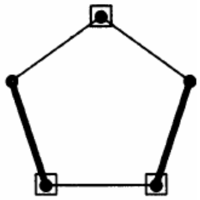

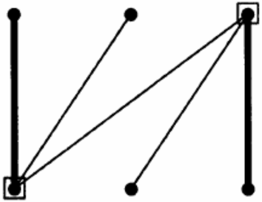

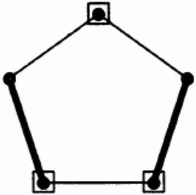

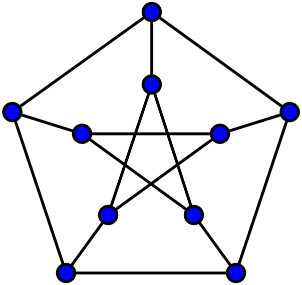

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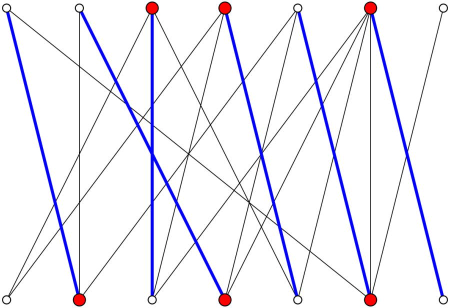

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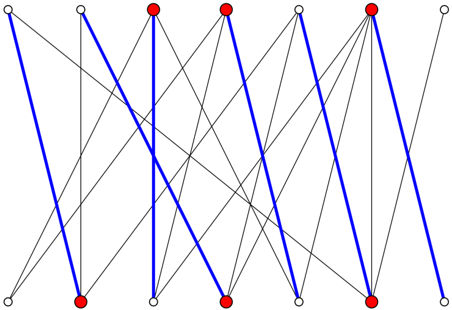

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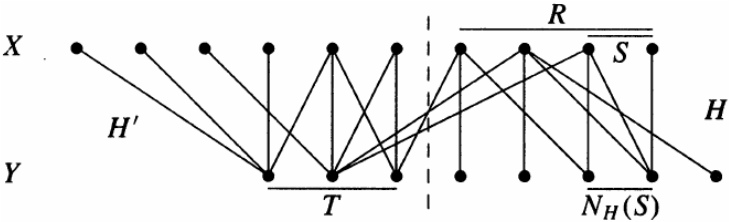

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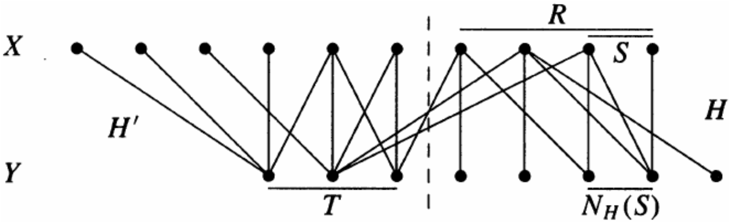

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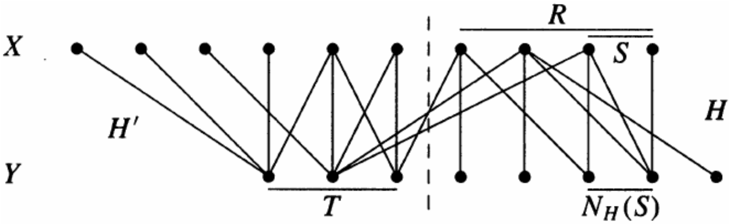

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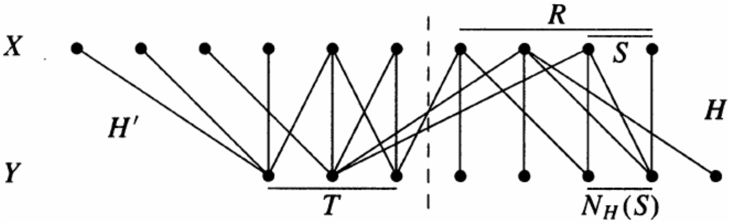

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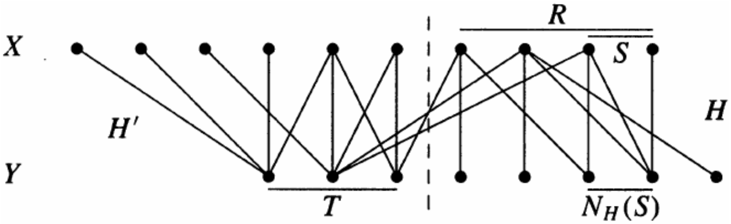

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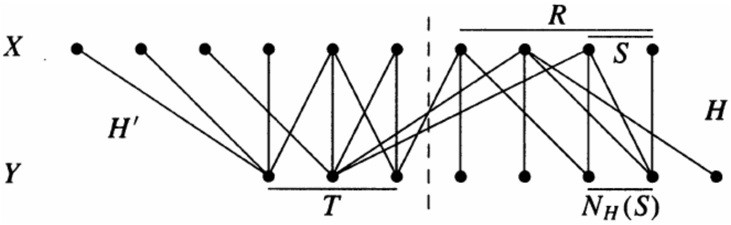

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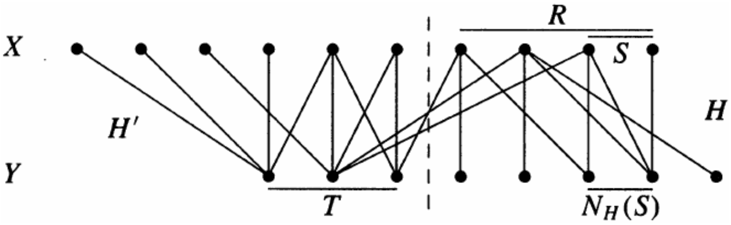

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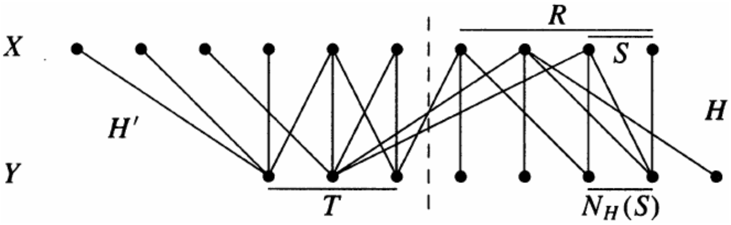

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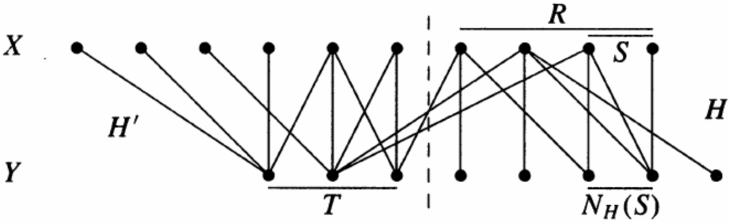

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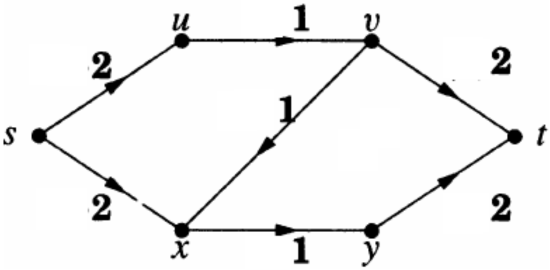
A network is a digraph with

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



Definition (Flow (流))

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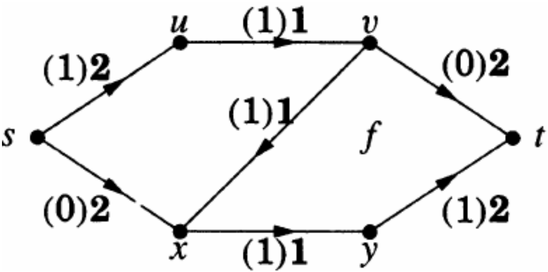


Definition (Feasible Flow (可行流))

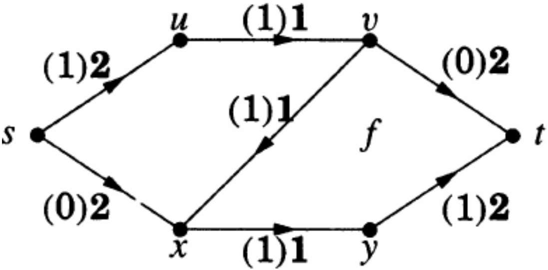
A flow f is feasible if it satisfies

Capacity Constraints:

$$\forall e \in E.\ 0 \le f(e) \le c(e)$$

Flow Conservation:

$$\forall v \in V.\ f^{+}(v) = f^{-}(v)$$



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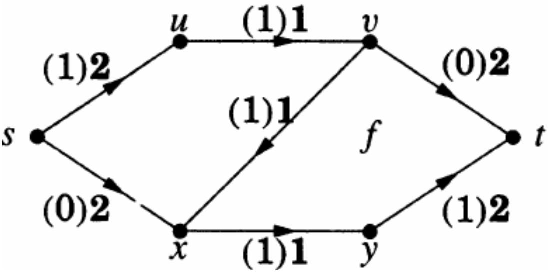

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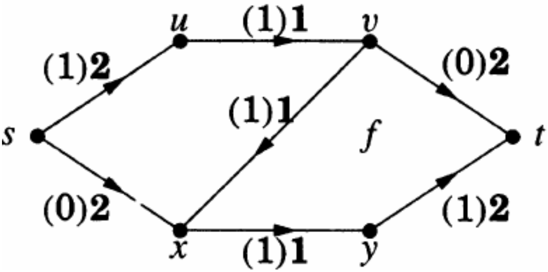

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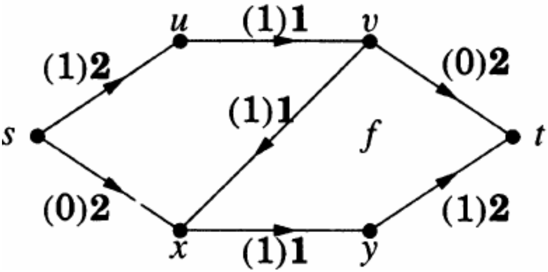

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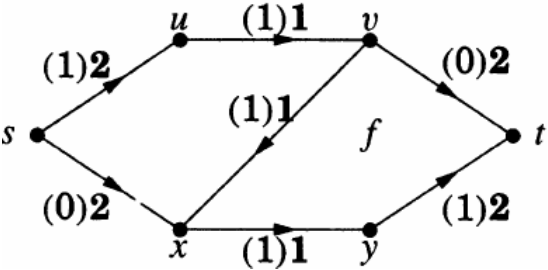
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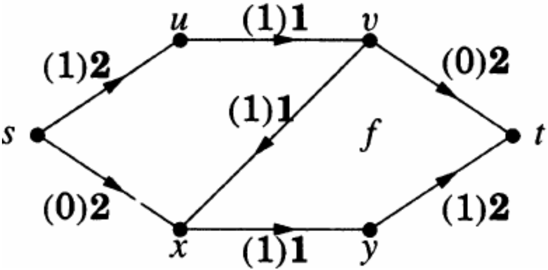

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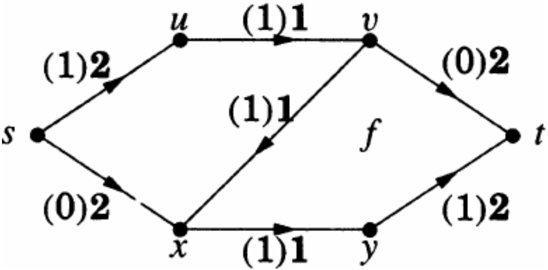

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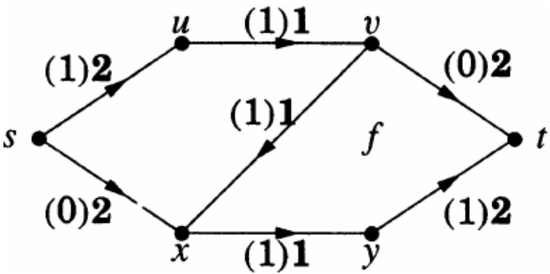

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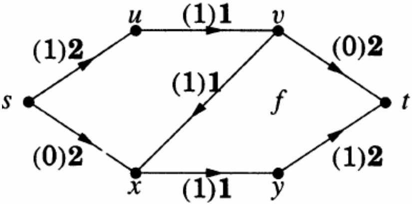

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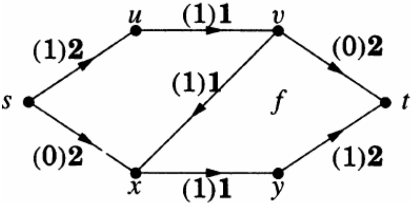

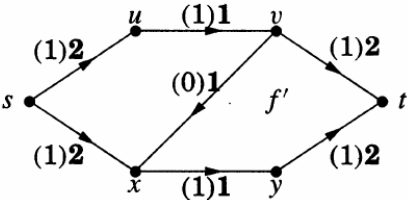

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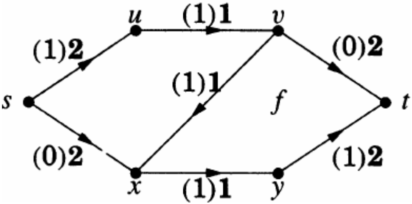

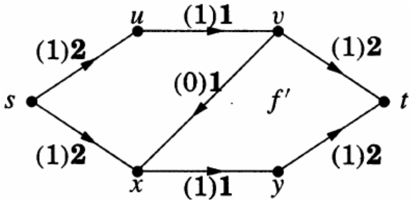

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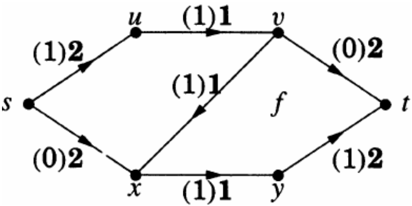

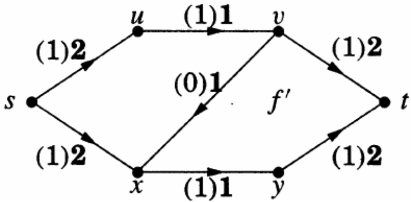

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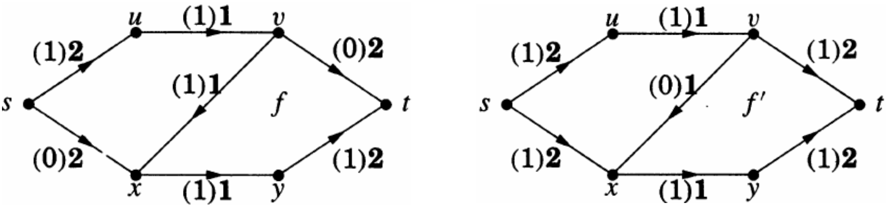

Definition (f-augmenting Paths (增广路径))

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 $e \in E(P)$,

(a) if P follows e in the forward direction, then $f(e) < c(e)$;

(b) if P follows e in the backward direction, then $f(e) > 0$.

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Let P be an f-augmenting path.

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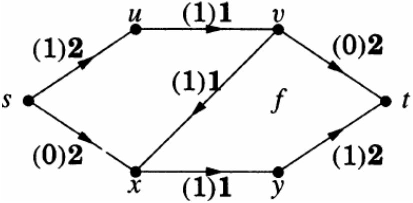

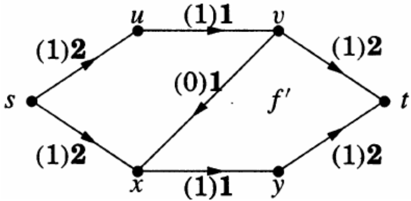

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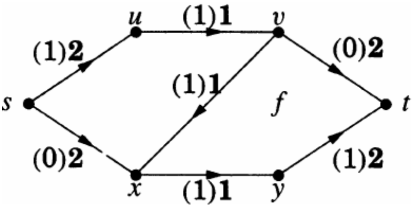

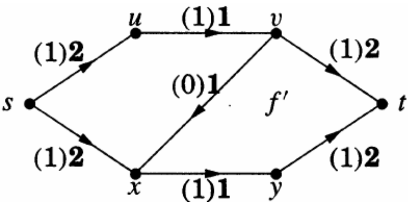

An f-augmenting path leads to a flow with larger value.

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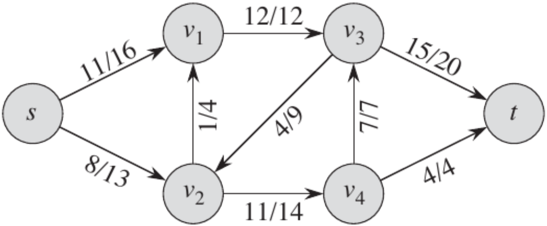

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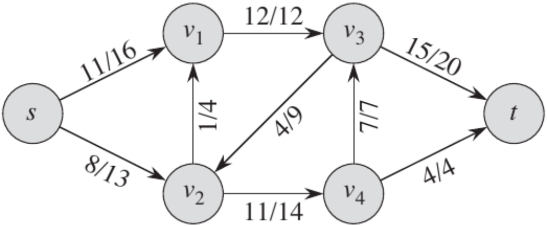
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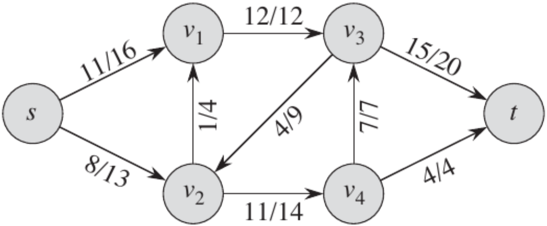
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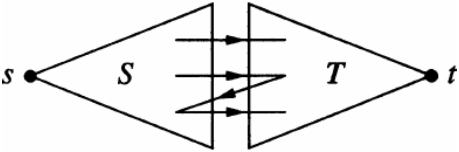
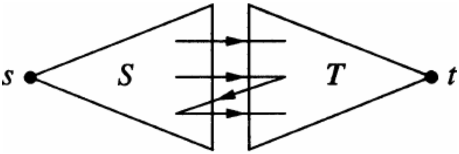
Definition (Source/Sink Cut (割))

In a network, a source/sink cut $[S, T]$ consists of the edges from a source set S to a sink set T, where

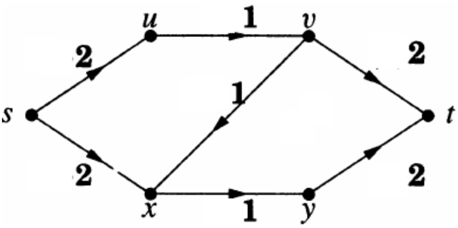
$$(T = V - S) \wedge (s \in S) \wedge (t \in T)$$





Definition (Capacity of Cut (割的容量))

$$\mathsf{cap}(S, T) = \sum_{u \in S, v \in T, uv \in E} c(u, v)$$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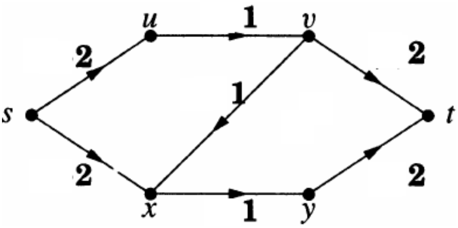

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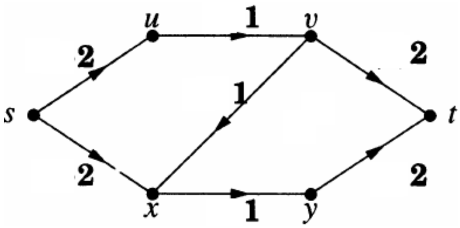

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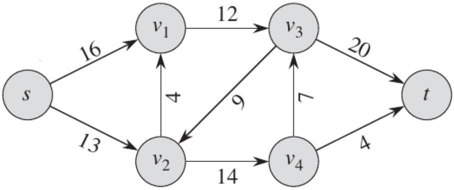

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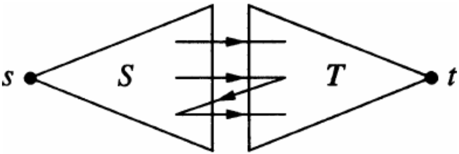

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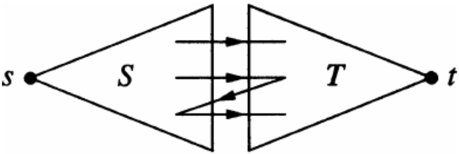

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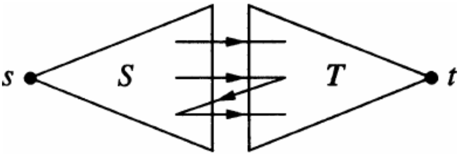

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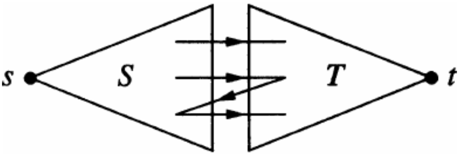

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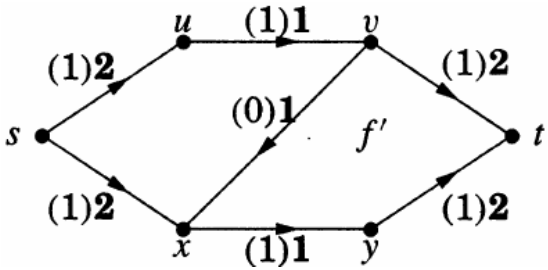

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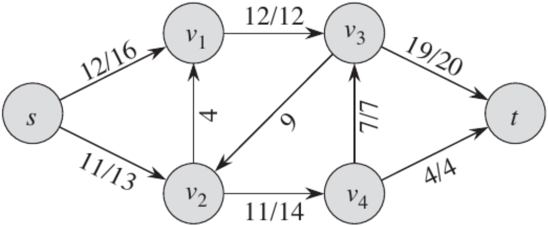


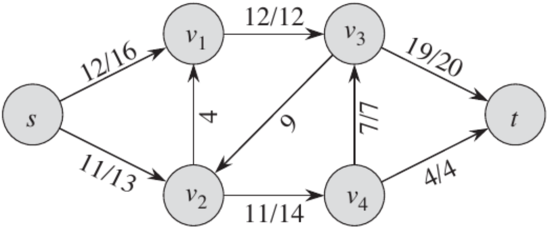
Theorem (Max-flow Min-cut Theorem (Ford and Fulkerson; 1956))

$$\max_{f} val(f) = \min_{[S,T]} cap(S,T)$$

(Strong Duality)

L. R. Ford Jr. $(1927 \sim 2017)$

D. R. Fulkerson $(1924 \sim 1976)$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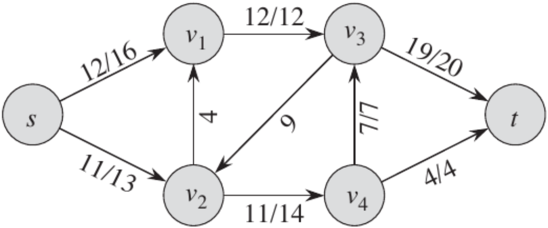
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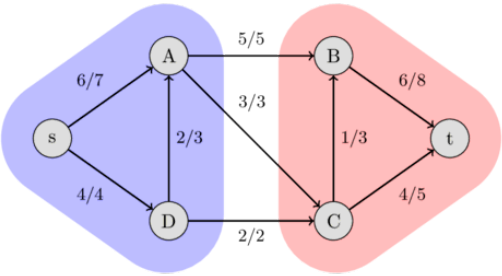
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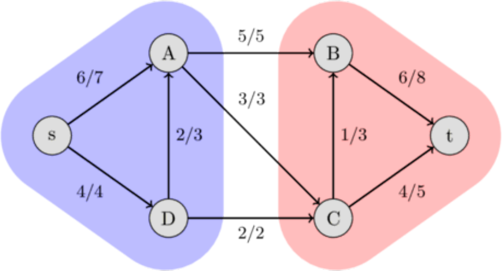

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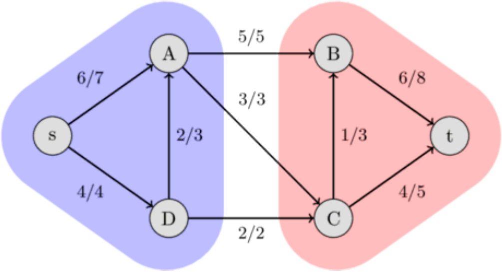

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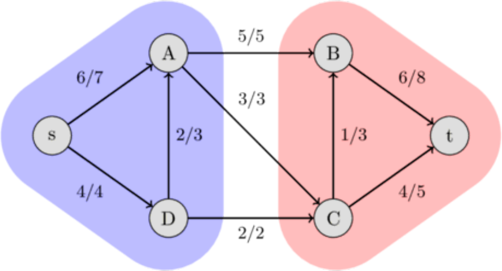

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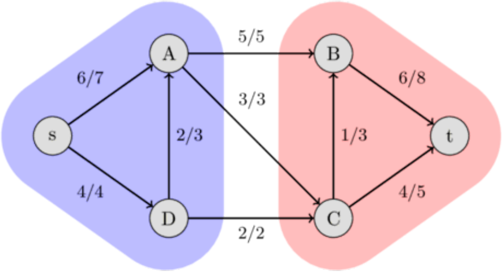

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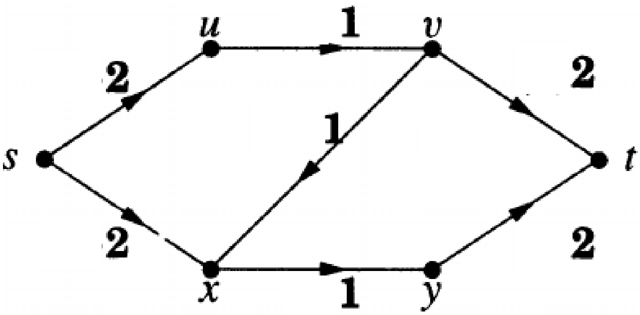

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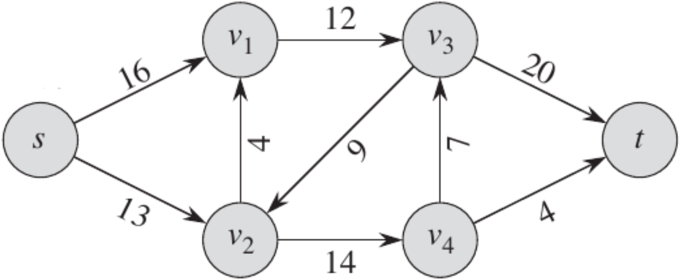

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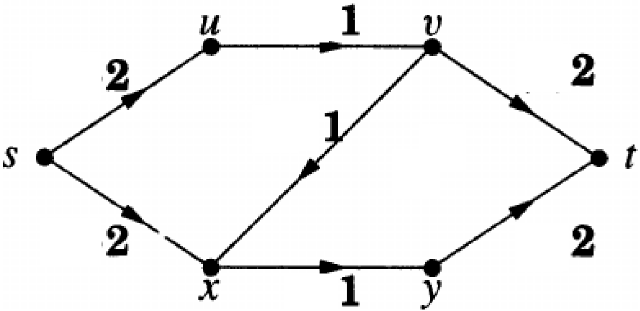

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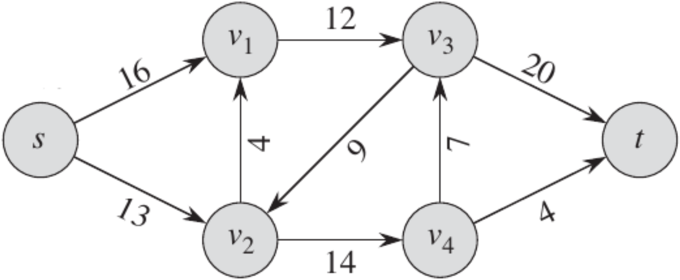

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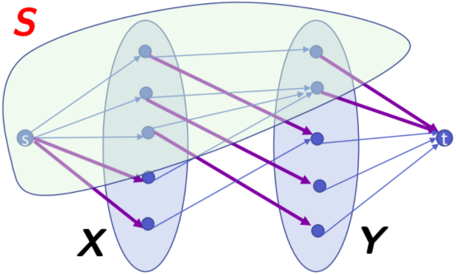

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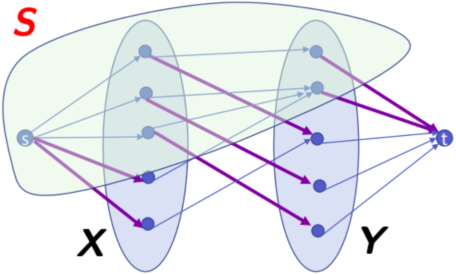

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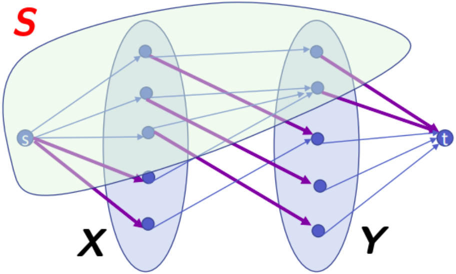

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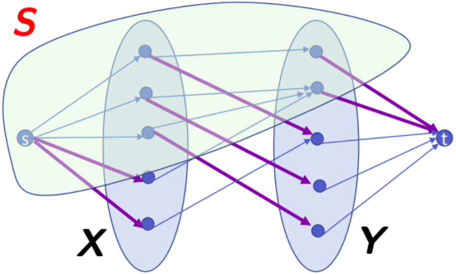

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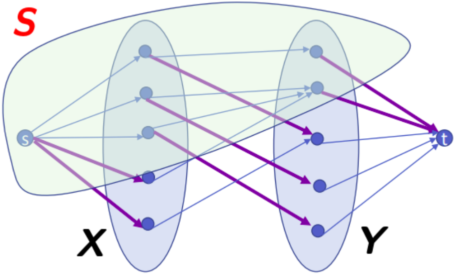

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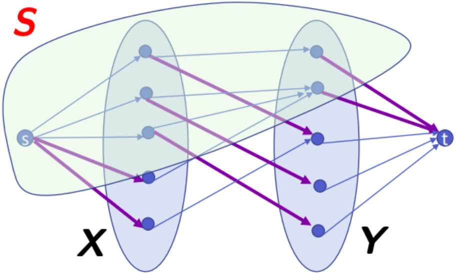

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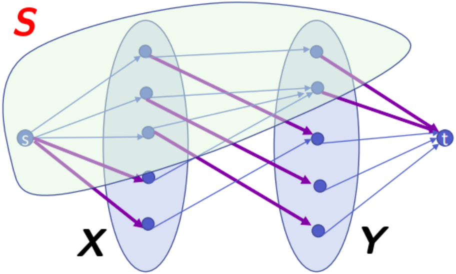

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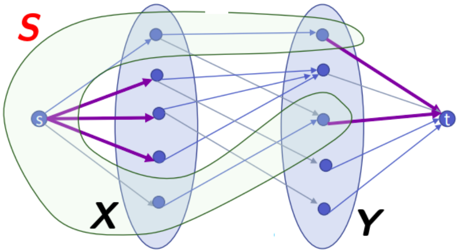

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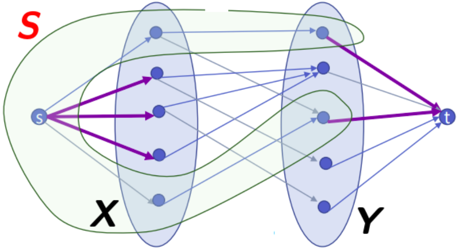

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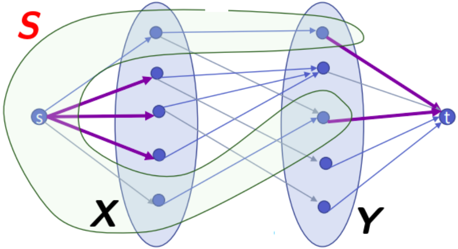

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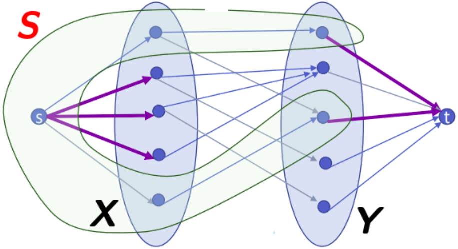

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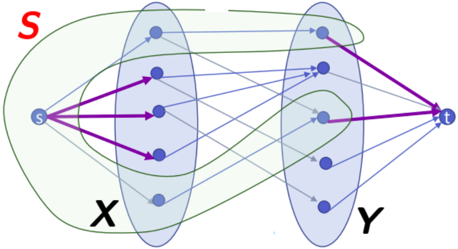

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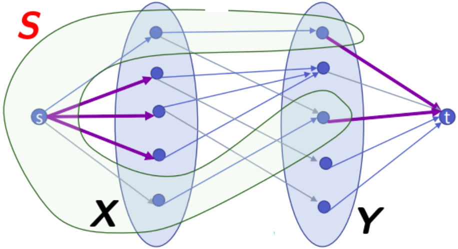

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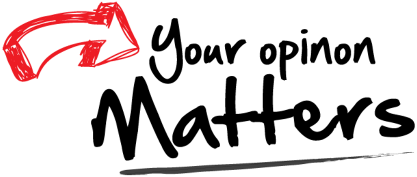

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