

# ADS2 — Week “Network 2” (Slides-first) — Full Notes & Worked Solutions

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## General Methodology and Theory

- **Max-flow / Min-cut.** Residual network, augmenting paths; **Edmonds–Karp (EK)** uses BFS in the residual graph  $\rightarrow O(V \cdot E^2)$ . **Capacity scaling** augments only on residual edges with capacity  $\geq \Delta$ ; start  $\Delta =$  highest power of 2  $\leq$  max out of  $s$ ; halve  $\Delta$  when no  $\Delta$ -eligible path exists  $\rightarrow O(E^2 \log C)$ . (Slides.)
- **Matching and b-matching by flow.**  $s \rightarrow$  Left (row/agents) with row quotas, unit edges to Right (columns/tasks), Right  $\rightarrow t$  with column quotas. Hopcroft–Karp for unit matching  $O(E\sqrt{V})$ . (Slides.)
- **Disjoint paths and connectivity.** Unit-capacity edges: max number of edge-disjoint  $s$ – $t$  paths equals min size of an  $s$ – $t$  cut (Menger). (Slides.)
- **Node capacities via splitting.** Replace  $v$  by  $v_{in} \rightarrow v_{out}$  of capacity  $c(v)$ ; redirect incident edges accordingly. (Slides; used in KT 7.14b.)
- **Certificates.** When done, show a cut  $(S, T)$  whose crossing capacity equals  $|f|$ ; for infeasibility explain the bottleneck in plain language.

## Notes (slide highlights you’ll reuse)

- **EK path rule:** forward edges with leftover cap, backward edges with positive flow; bottleneck  $\delta$  is min residual along the path. Tie-break lexicographically when listing neighbors.
- **Scaling phases:**  $\Delta$  sequence ..., 8, 4, 2, 1. Within a phase, each augmentation adds  $\geq \Delta$ ;  $\leq 2m$  augmentations per phase; overall  $O(m^2 \log C)$ . (Slides 37–39.)
- **Bipartite matching via flow:** unit edges, value of flow = size of matching. (Slides 41–47.)
- **Edge-disjoint paths / connectivity:** set all caps to 1; run max-flow / min-cut; dotted edges in slides mark a min cut. (Slides 52–56.)

## Coverage Table (enumerated strictly from weekplan.pdf)

Weekplan ID	Canonical ID	Title/Label (verbatim)	Assignment Source	Text Source	Status
1	—	The Edmonds-Karp algorithm and the scaling algorithm	weekplan.pdf p.1	figure images: <b>Pasted image.png</b> (two graphs) + slides (EK/scaling)	Solved
2	KT 7.8	Blood Donations	weekplan.pdf p.1	ex_7_8.pdf pp. 418–419 + <b>Pasted image (4).png</b> (table)	Solved
3	—	Christmas Trees (from the Exam E15)	weekplan.pdf p.1	weekplan text + <b>Pasted image (2).png</b> (example grid)	Solved
4	KT 7.14	Escape	weekplan.pdf p.1	ex_7_14.pdf p.421	Solved
5	CSES 1696	School dance	weekplan.pdf p.2	external statement (not uploaded); solved by standard matching mapping	Solved (method)
6	—	[*] Euler tours in mixed graphs	weekplan.pdf p.2	weekplan text + <b>Pasted image (3).png</b> (example pair)	Solved

## Solutions

### Exercise 1 — EK & Capacity Scaling (two graphs)

**Concept mapping.** Compute max flow and a min cut on each graph; show the **augmenting paths with  $\delta$** . Use EK (BFS) and then repeat with **scaling** ( $\Delta$  phases  $4 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 1$  etc.).

**Left graph** (nodes  $s, L, F, C, B, M, G, A, t$ ; capacities as in **Pasted image.png**).

Mini augmentation trace (EK):

Step	$s \rightarrow t$ path (BFS in residual)	$\delta$ (delta)	Saturated edges	Residual note
1	$s \rightarrow C \rightarrow G \rightarrow t$	2	$s \rightarrow C, G \rightarrow t$	add $C \rightarrow s, t \rightarrow G$ of 2

Step	s→t path (BFS in residual)	δ (delta)	Saturated edges	Residual note
2	s→L→F→A→t	3	F→A	add A→F of 3
3	s→L→F→G→A→t	3	F→G	add G→F of 3
4	s→L→F→G→C→B→M→t	1	M→t	add t→M of 1

Result  $|f| = 9$ . **Cut certificate:**  $S = \{s, L, F\}$ ; crossing edges:  $s \rightarrow C(2)$ ,  $F \rightarrow A(3)$ ,  $F \rightarrow G(4) \rightarrow$  sum **9**, hence max flow = 9.

**Scaling ( $\Delta = 4,2,1$ )** gives the same value with fewer within-phase paths (slides 13–21 illustrate the mechanics).

**Right graph** (A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H with s,t; **Pasted image.png**). EK trace (one valid BFS order):

Step	s→t path	δ	Saturated edges
1	s→t	2	s→t
2	s→D→E→F→t	3	D→E, E→F
3	s→D→E→G→H→t	1	D→E fully
4	s→D→A→B→C→F→t	2	F→t fully
5	s→D→A→B→C→F→E→G→H→t	3	A→B fully

Result  $|f| = 11$ . **Cut certificate:**  $S = \{s, D, A, B\}$ ; crossing edges:  $s \rightarrow t(2) + D \rightarrow E(4) + B \rightarrow C(5) = 11$ .

**Pitfalls.** Forgetting backward edges; in scaling: treating it as “fattest path” instead of  $\Delta$ -filtered BFS.

**Variant drill.** Reduce  $A \rightarrow t$  on the left graph from  $6 \rightarrow 4$ : recompute to get  $|f| = 8$ ; same  $S$  but smaller capacity.

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* max s-t flow + min-cut certificate. *Cues:* “augmenting paths,” “EK,” “scaling.” *Mapping:* build residual, BFS, augment; then report (S,T) by reachability in residual. *Certificate:* list crossing edges and sum.

## Exercise 2 — KT 7.8 Blood Donations

**Model (slides-first).** Build a flow network: - Source to donor-type nodes with capacities = supplies (O:50, A:36, B:11, AB:8). - Compatibility edges:  $O \rightarrow \{O, A, B, AB\}$ ;  $A \rightarrow \{A, AB\}$ ;  $B \rightarrow \{B, AB\}$ ;  $AB \rightarrow \{AB\}$  (unit-capacity per unit of blood; practically cap =  $\infty$  between compatible types). - Patient-type nodes to sink with capacities = demands (O:45, A:42, B:8, AB:3).

**Computation (integer max-flow).** One optimal allocation: -  $O \rightarrow O$ : 44,  $O \rightarrow A$ : 6;  $A \rightarrow A$ : 36;  $B \rightarrow B$ : 8;  $AB \rightarrow AB$ : 3.

Total treated = **97** patients.

**Why not 100? (cut & plain-English).** Type A needs 42 but has only 36  $\rightarrow$  must borrow **6** from O. Then O has  $\geq 50 - 6 = 44$  left for its own 45 patients  $\Rightarrow$  at least **one O-patient** cannot be treated. This is a min-cut-style bottleneck and proves optimality ( $|f| = 97$ ).

**Pitfalls.** Sending type A to AB while starving O; forgetting that O is the only universal donor.

**Variant drill.** If A-supply were 38, O would loan 4 and everyone could be served (**100**).

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* multi-commodity supply  $\rightarrow$  demand via compatibility DAG; solved as max-flow. *Cues:* supplies/demands by class, compatibility table. *Mapping:* donors = left, patients = right; caps = supply/demand; run max-flow. *Certificate:* shortfall forces O-loans; count remaining O.

✓ **Answer:** Maximum patients served **97**; exactly **1 O-patient** remains untreated.

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### Exercise 3 — Christmas Trees (Exam E15)

**Goal.** Place as many tables as possible on an  $n \times m$  grid with  $\leq 2$  per row and  $\leq 1$  per column, forbidden at tree cells.

**Flow model (b-matching).** For each row  $R_i$  add  $s \rightarrow R_i$  with cap 2; for each column  $C_j$  add  $C_j \rightarrow t$  with cap 1; for each empty cell  $(i,j)$  add  $R_i \rightarrow C_j$  (cap 1). Run max-flow.

**Correctness.** Feasible flows correspond to placements;  $|f|$  is the number of tables. Min-cut upper-bounds any placement.

**Runtime.** With Hopcroft-Karp on the induced bipartite graph:  $O(E\sqrt{V})$ ; with EK:  $O(V \cdot E^2)$ .

**Example check.** The provided  $4 \times 8$  instance (**Pasted image (2).png**) has optimum **7**.

**Pitfalls.** Greedy per-row or per-column can block future placements; forgetting to omit tree cells.

**Variant drill.** If a column  $j$  allows up to 2 tables, set  $\text{cap}(C_j \rightarrow t) = 2$ .

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* bipartite **b-matching** via flow. *Cues:* " $\leq 2$  per row,  $\leq 1$  per column," grid placement with forbidden cells. *Mapping:* rows  $\leftrightarrow$  columns; unit cell edges; capacities encode row/column limits. *Certificate:* min cut selecting tight rows/columns.

✓ **Answer:** Build the network above and return  $|f|$  (7 in the example grid).

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### Exercise 4 — KT 7.14 Escape (edge- and node-disjoint)

**(a) Edge-disjoint routes.** Add super-source  $s \rightarrow x$  (cap 1) for each  $x \in X$ ; keep original edges with cap 1; connect each safe  $u \in S$  to  $t$  with large cap (or 1 if "at most one per safe"). Run max-flow; feasible iff value =  $|X|$ .

**(b) Node-disjoint routes.** Split every vertex  $v$  into  $v_{\text{in}} \rightarrow v_{\text{out}}$  with cap 1 (or  $c(v)$ ); replace each  $(u,v)$  by  $u_{\text{out}} \rightarrow v_{\text{in}}$  (cap 1). Keep  $s \rightarrow x_{\text{in}}$  and  $u_{\text{out}} \rightarrow t$  for  $u \in S$ . Run max-flow; feasible iff value =  $|X|$ .

**Why it works.** Integrality gives a set of disjoint paths from any unit max-flow; conversely, a family of  $k$  disjoint paths yields a flow of value  $k$ .

**Complexity.** Linear-time build; EK is fine here; Dinic/HK faster on unit graphs.

**Pitfalls.** Forgetting to set caps to 1; not splitting nodes for part (b).

**Variant drill.** If safe node  $u$  can accept  $c(u)$  evacuees, use  $\text{cap } v_{\text{in}} \rightarrow v_{\text{out}} = c(u)$  for  $v=u$ .

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* disjoint paths via flow; *Cues:* “routes do not share edges/nodes.” *Mapping:* unit edges + super-source/sink; node-split for node capacities. *Certificate:* value =  $|X|$  with path decomposition.

✓ **Answer:** Build the respective networks; **YES** iff max-flow equals  $|X|$ .

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### Exercise 5 — CSES 1696 School Dance (method card)

- **I/O gist.**  $n$  boys,  $m$  girls,  $E$  allowed pairs; print maximum number of pairs and the pairs.
- **Solve:** Bipartite matching via Hopcroft–Karp (or max-flow).  $s \rightarrow \text{boys}$  (1), allowed edges (1),  $\text{girls} \rightarrow t$  (1). Extract matched edges.
- **Time:**  $O(E\sqrt{(n+m)})$ .
- **Pitfalls:** 1-based indices in output; don't print unmatched nodes.

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* unit bipartite matching. *Certificate:* matching size = flow value; edges in the matching.

✓ **Answer:** Reduce to bipartite matching and run HK; output the matching.

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### Exercise 6 — [\*] Euler tours in mixed graphs

**Goal.** Orient undirected edges so final directed graph has an **Euler tour**.

**Balances.** Let  $r(v) = \text{in\_dir}(v) - \text{out\_dir}(v)$  from pre-oriented edges; let  $\text{udeg}(v)$  be number of incident undirected edges. If we orient  $e = u - v$  as  $u \rightarrow v$ , then  $r(u) - 1$  and  $r(v) + 1$ . Each  $v$  must receive exactly  $h(v) = (\text{udeg}(v) - r(v))/2$  incoming orientations from its incident undirected edges. Feasible only if all  $h(v)$  are integers in  $[0, \text{udeg}(v)]$ . (Parity check.)

**Reduction (slides hint  $\Rightarrow$  b-matching).** Build bipartite graph  $(E_u \leftrightarrow V)$ : left nodes are undirected edges  $e$ , right nodes are vertices. Connect  $e$  to its two endpoints. Find a b-matching that matches each  $e$  exactly once and matches each vertex  $v$  exactly  $h(v)$  times. Flow build: -  $s \rightarrow e$  (cap 1) for each undirected edge  $e$ ;  $e \rightarrow u$  and  $e \rightarrow v$  (cap 1);  $v \rightarrow t$  (cap  $h(v)$ ). - Feasible flow of value  $|E_u| \Rightarrow$  choose the matched endpoint as the **head** of  $e$  (tail is the other endpoint). Combined with directed edges, every  $v$  now has  $\text{in} = \text{out}$ ; connectivity (assumed when ignoring directions) gives an Euler tour.

**Complexity.**  $O(E\sqrt{V})$  via b-matching flow.

**Pitfalls.** Skipping parity check; demanding strong connectivity (not needed); producing negative  $h(v)$ .

**Variant drill.** Fix orientations of some undirected edges first, update  $r(\cdot)$ , re-run the test.

**Transfer Pattern.** *Archetype:* circulation with vertex demands via edge  $\rightarrow$  vertex **b-matching**. *Certificate:* feasible b-matching of size  $|E_u|$ .

✓ **Answer: YES** iff all  $h(v)$  are integers in range and the b-matching flow returns value  $|E_u|$ ; orientation is read off from the matching.

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## Puzzle — 99 Cops (<299 questions)

**Plan.** (i) Use the Boyer–Moore majority trick to find one honest cop in  $\leq 98$  questions by pair-cancelling suspects; (ii) ask the honest cop about all others ( $\leq 98$  more). Total  $\leq 196$ .

**Why it works.** Honest cops are a strict majority, so cancellation leaves an honest survivor; an honest witness then labels everyone correctly.

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## Summary (one-page refresher)

- **Algorithms used:** EK and scaling; Hopcroft–Karp / flow for matching and b-matching; node-splitting for node capacities.
- **Certificates to give:** min  $(S,T)$  cut with crossing sum =  $|f|$ ; for Blood, the O-loan bottleneck  $\Rightarrow 97$ ; for Trees, cut picks tight rows/columns; for Mixed-Euler, b-matching of size  $|E_u|$ .
- **Transfer cues:** “ $\leq$  per row/column”  $\Rightarrow$  b-matching; “routes don’t share”  $\Rightarrow$  disjoint paths + node-split; “compatibility table”  $\Rightarrow$  supply  $\rightarrow$  demand flow; “augmenting path trace”  $\Rightarrow$  EK/scaling.
- **Notation:**  $|f|$  flow value;  $\delta$  bottleneck;  $r(v)$ =in–out on pre-directed part;  $h(v)$  incoming heads needed from undirected edges.