

Midterm 1- Standard 9

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1 Instructions

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Problem 1.

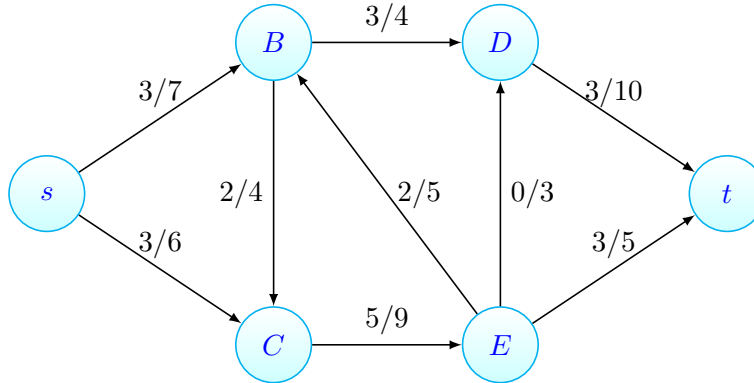
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3 Standard 9- Network Flows: Terminology

Problem 2. Consider the following flow network, with the following flow configuration f as indicated below. For each question, use the flow f .



Do the following.

- (a) What is the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge (C, E) from $C \rightarrow E$? Do not consider where this flow would come from nor where it would go to, just how much additional flow C can push to E . Justify using 1-2 sentences.

Answer:

The flow capacity, $c(C, E) = 9$, and the maximum additional amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 9 - 5 = 4$. Thus, the total additional amount of flow we can push across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = 4 - \text{Units}$.

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- (b) What is the maximum amount of flow that C can push backwards to B ? Do **not** consider whether B can reroute that flow elsewhere; just whether C can push flow backwards. Justify using 1-2 sentences.

Answer:

The back-flow capacity of $E(B, C) = (\text{CurrentFlow})$ of $E(B, C) = 2$. Thus we can push $2 - \text{Units}$ back through $E(B, C)$. The maximum amount of flow that we can push back across the edge $E(B, C)$ from $C \rightarrow B = 2 - \text{Units}$.

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- (c) What is the maximum amount of flow that D can push backwards to E ? Do **not** consider whether E can reroute that flow elsewhere; just whether D can push flow backwards. Justify using 1-2 sentences.

Answer:

The back-flow capacity of $E(E, D) = (\text{CurrentFlow})$ of $E(E, D) = 0$. Thus we can not push any Units back through $E(E, D)$. The maximum amount of flow that we can push back across the edge $E(E, D)$ from $D \rightarrow E = 0 - \text{Units}$.

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- (d) How much flow can be pushed along the flow-augmenting path $s \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow D \rightarrow t$? Justify using 1-2 sentences.

Answer:

- The flow capacity, $c(s, B) = 7$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(s, B)$ from $s \rightarrow B = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 7 - 3 = 4$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we can push across the edge $E(s, B)$ from $s \rightarrow B = 4 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(B, C) = 4$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(B, C)$ from $B \rightarrow C = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 4 - 2 = 2$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(B, C)$ from $B \rightarrow C = 2 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(C, E) = 9$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 9 - 5 = 4$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = 2 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(E, D) = 3$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(E, D)$ from $E \rightarrow D = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 3 - 0 = 3$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(E, D)$ from $E \rightarrow D = 2 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(D, t) = 10$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(D, t)$ from $D \rightarrow t = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 10 - 3 = 7$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(D, t)$ from $D \rightarrow t = 2 - \text{Units}$.

Since the *additional* amount of flow we can push from $D \rightarrow t = 2 - \text{Units}$, the total *additional* amount of flow we can push across the *flow - augmenting path* $s \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow D \rightarrow t = 2 - \text{Units}$.

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- (e) Find a second flow-augmenting path and indicate the maximum amount of additional flow that can be pushed along the path. Assume that the flow-augmenting path from part (d) has **not** been applied. Justify using 1-2 sentences.

Answer:

- The flow capacity, $c(s, C) = 6$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(s, C)$ from $s \rightarrow C = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 6 - 3 = 3$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we can push across the edge $E(s, C)$ from $s \rightarrow C = 3 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(C, E) = 9$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 9 - 5 = 4$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(C, E)$ from $C \rightarrow E = 3 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(E, D) = 3$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(E, D)$ from $E \rightarrow D = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 3 - 0 = 3$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(E, D)$ from $E \rightarrow D = 3 - \text{Units}$.
- The flow capacity, $c(D, t) = 10$, and the maximum *additional* amount of flow that we can push across the edge $E(D, t)$ from $D \rightarrow t = (\text{FlowCapacity} - \text{CurrentFlow}) = 10 - 3 = 7$. Thus, the *additional* amount of flow we could continue to push, across the edge $E(D, t)$ from $D \rightarrow t = 3 - \text{Units}$.

Since the maximum *additional* amount of flow we can push between any 2 vertices through any edge $E(G)$ across $s \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow D \rightarrow t$ is (3), the total *additional* amount of flow we can push across the *flow - augmenting path* $s \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow D \rightarrow t = 3 - \text{Units}$. Thus our new *flow - augmenting path* $(f^*) = s \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow D \rightarrow t$, with $\text{val}(f^*) = |f^*| = (3)$.

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