



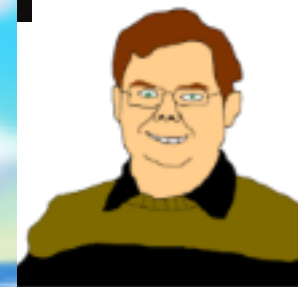
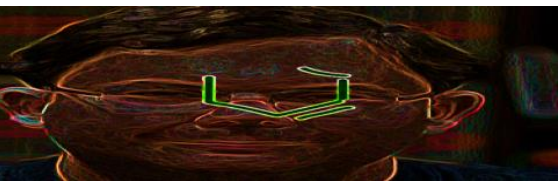
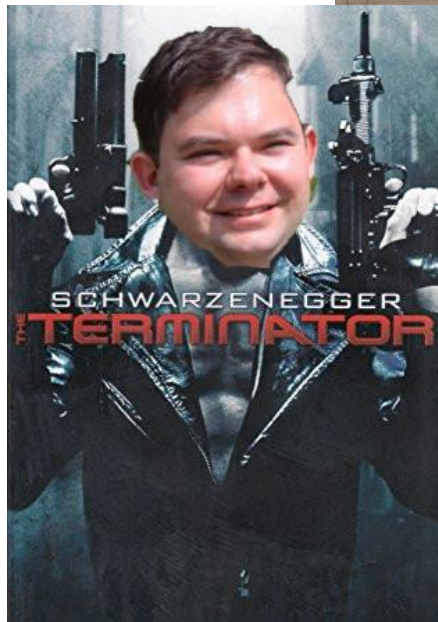
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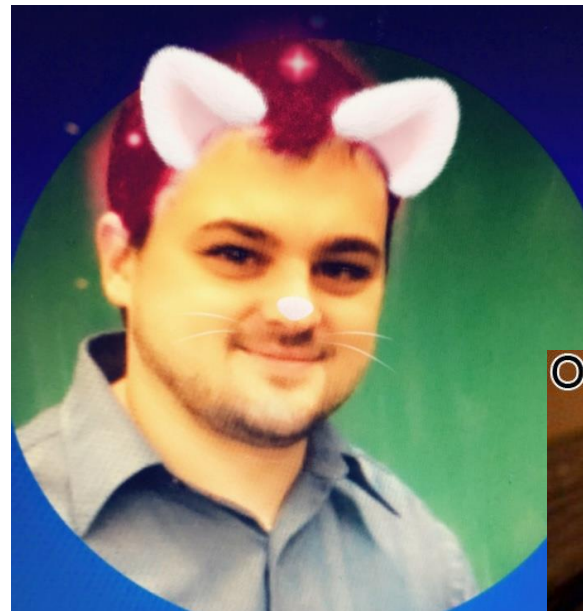
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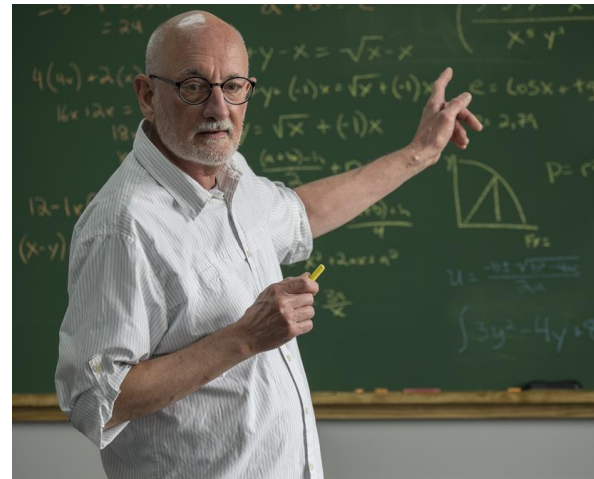
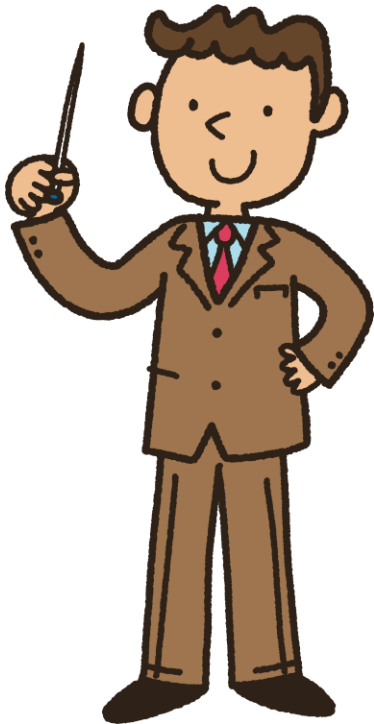
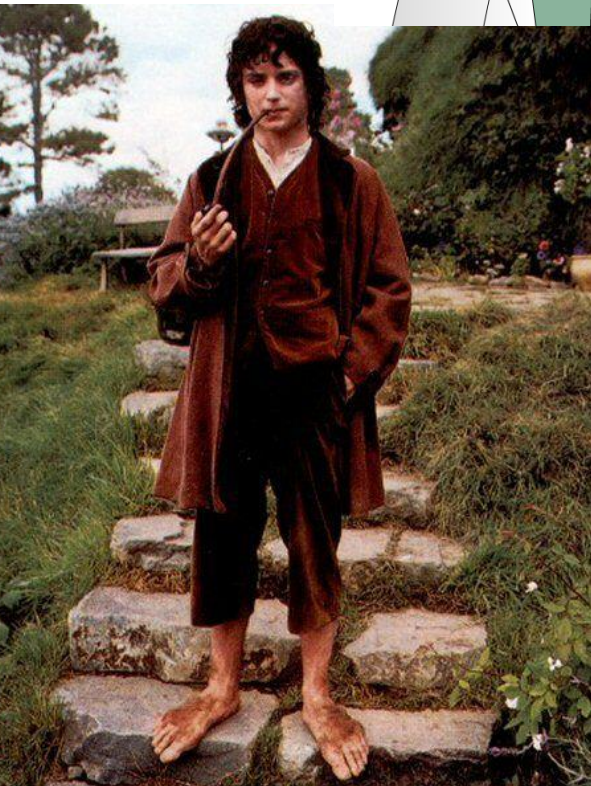
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# Today's Keywords

- Graphs
- MaxFlow/MinCut
- Ford-Fulkerson
- Edmunds-Karp

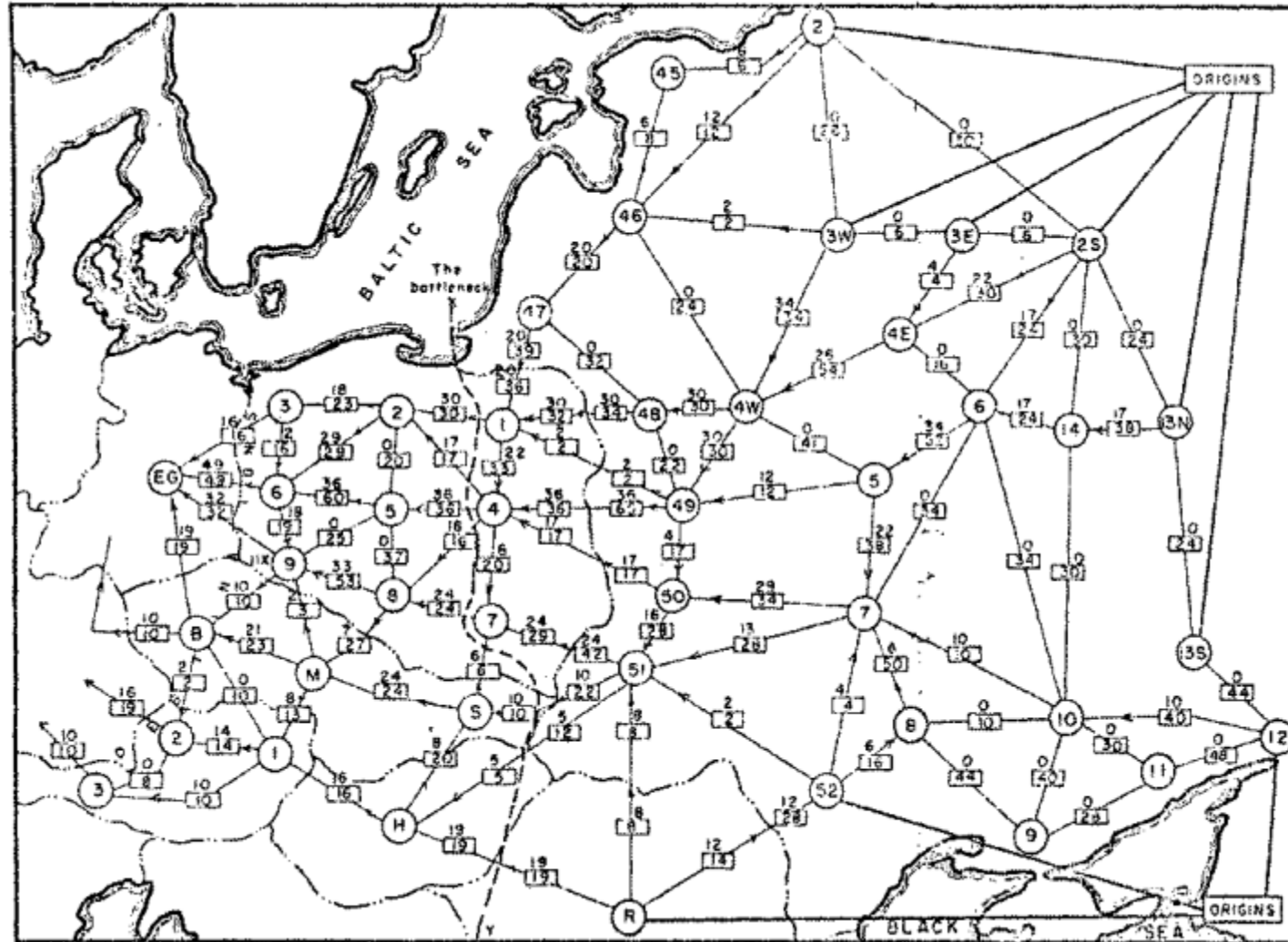
# CLRS Readings

- Chapter 25
- Chapter 26

# Homeworks

- HW8 due Friday 11/30 at 11pm
  - Written (use LaTeX)
  - Graphs

# Max Flow / Min Cut



Railway map of Western USSR, 1955



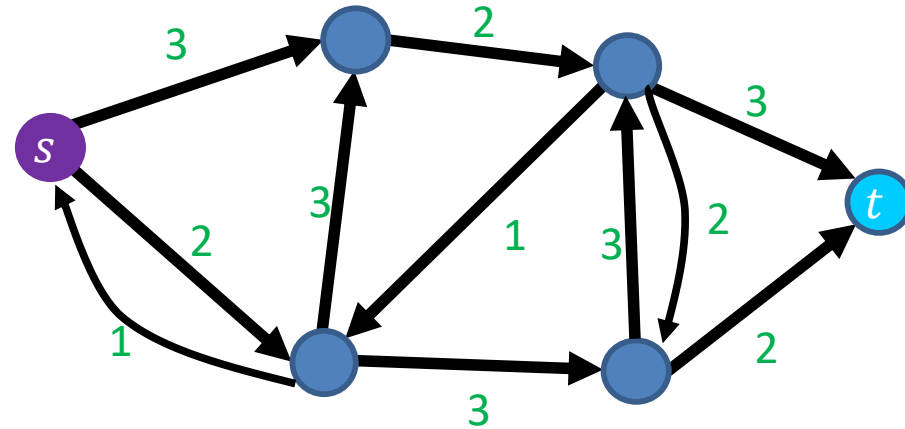
# Flow Network

Graph  $G = (V, E)$

Source node  $s \in V$

Sink node  $t \in V$

Edge Capacities  $c(e) \in \text{Positive Real numbers}$



Max flow intuition: If  $s$  is a faucet,  $t$  is a drain, and  $s$  connects to  $t$  through a network of pipes with given capacities, what is the maximum amount of water which can flow from the faucet to the drain?



# Flow

- Assignment of values to edges

- $f(e) = n$
- Amount of water going through that pipe

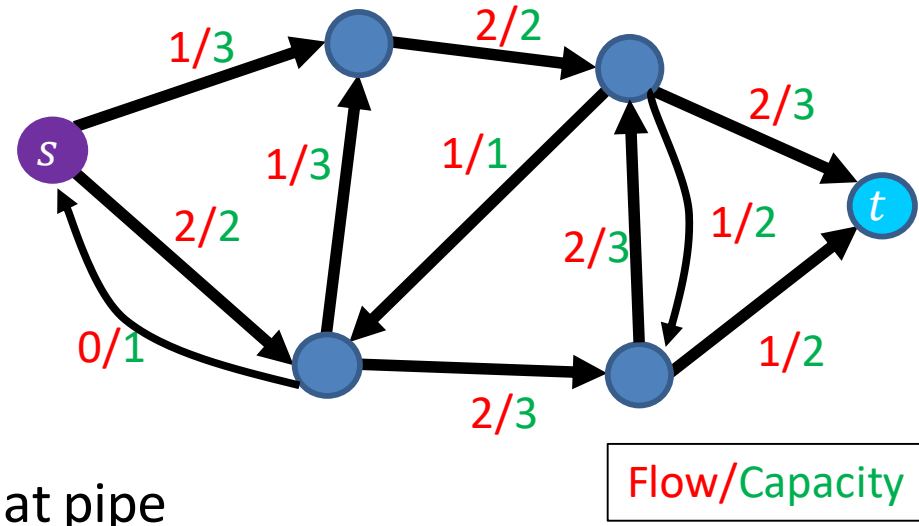
- Capacity constraint

- $f(e) \leq c(e)$
- Flow cannot exceed capacity

- Flow constraint

- $\forall v \in V - \{s, t\}, \text{inflow}(v) = \text{outflow}(v)$
- $\text{inflow}(v) = \sum_{x \in V} f(x, v)$
- $\text{outflow}(v) = \sum_{x \in V} f(v, x)$
- Water going in must match water coming out

- Flow of  $G$ :  $|f| = \text{outflow}(s) - \text{inflow}(s)$  3 in example above
- Net outflow of  $s$

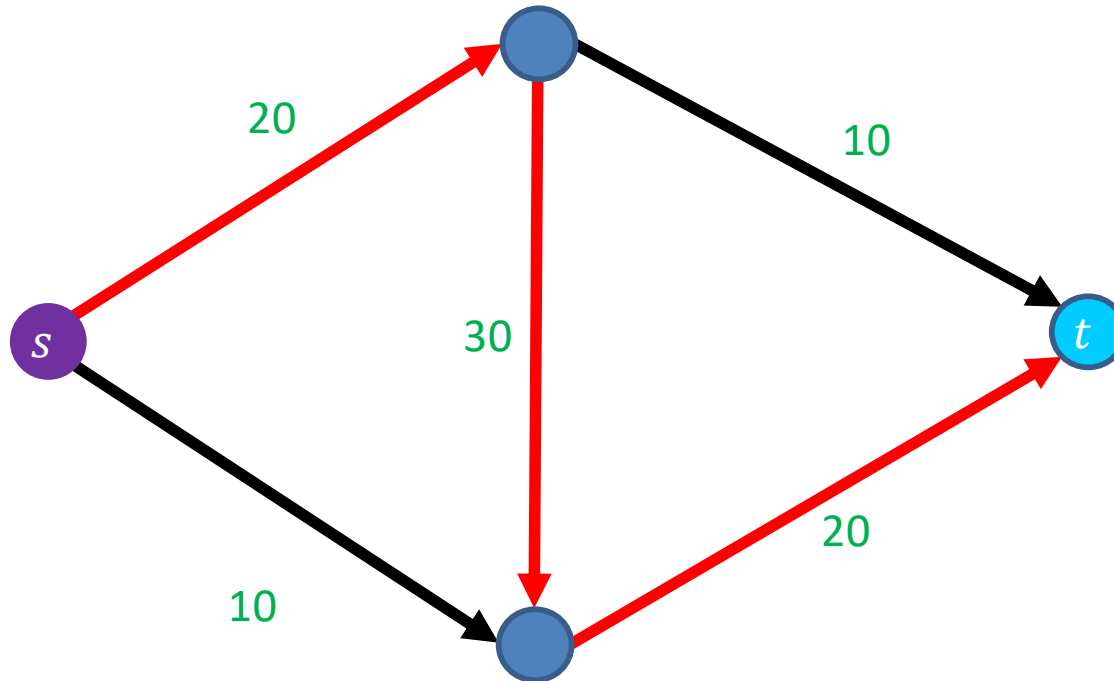


# Max Flow

- Of all valid flows through the graph, find the one which maximizes:
  - $|f| = \text{outflow}(s) - \text{inflow}(s)$

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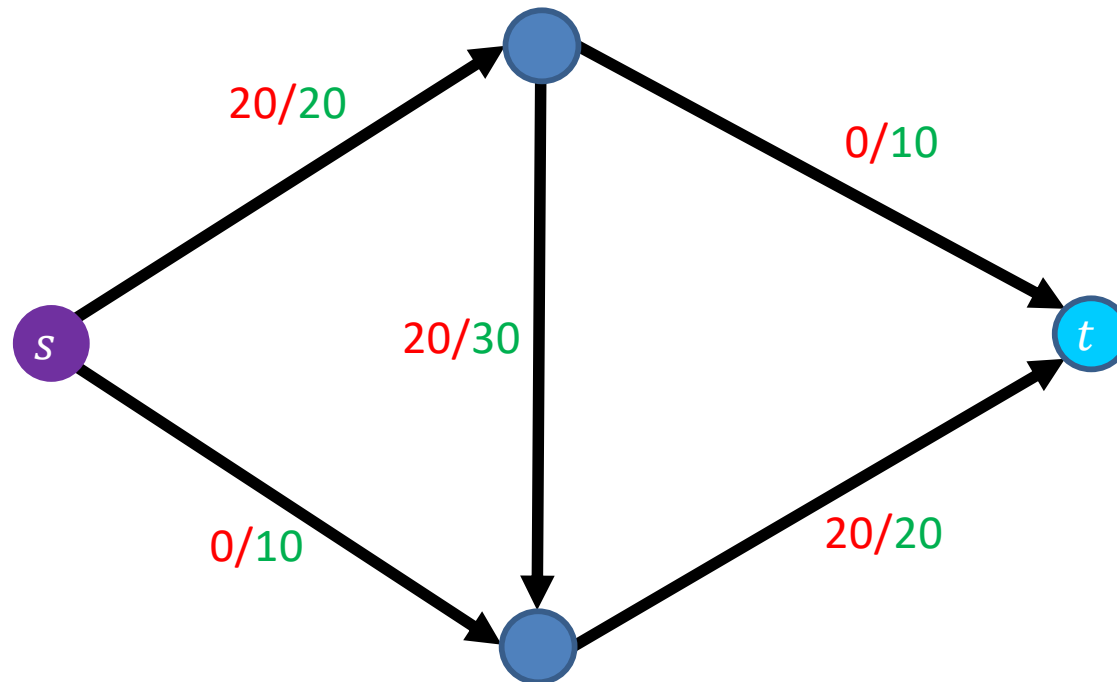
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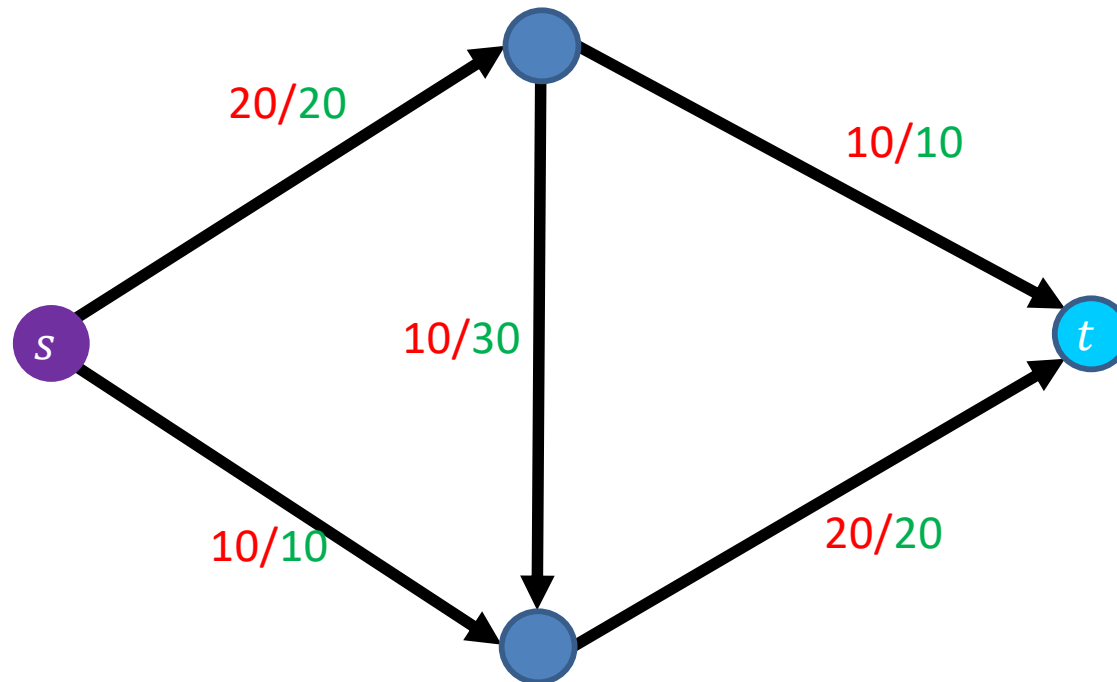
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Overall Flow:  $|f| = 20$

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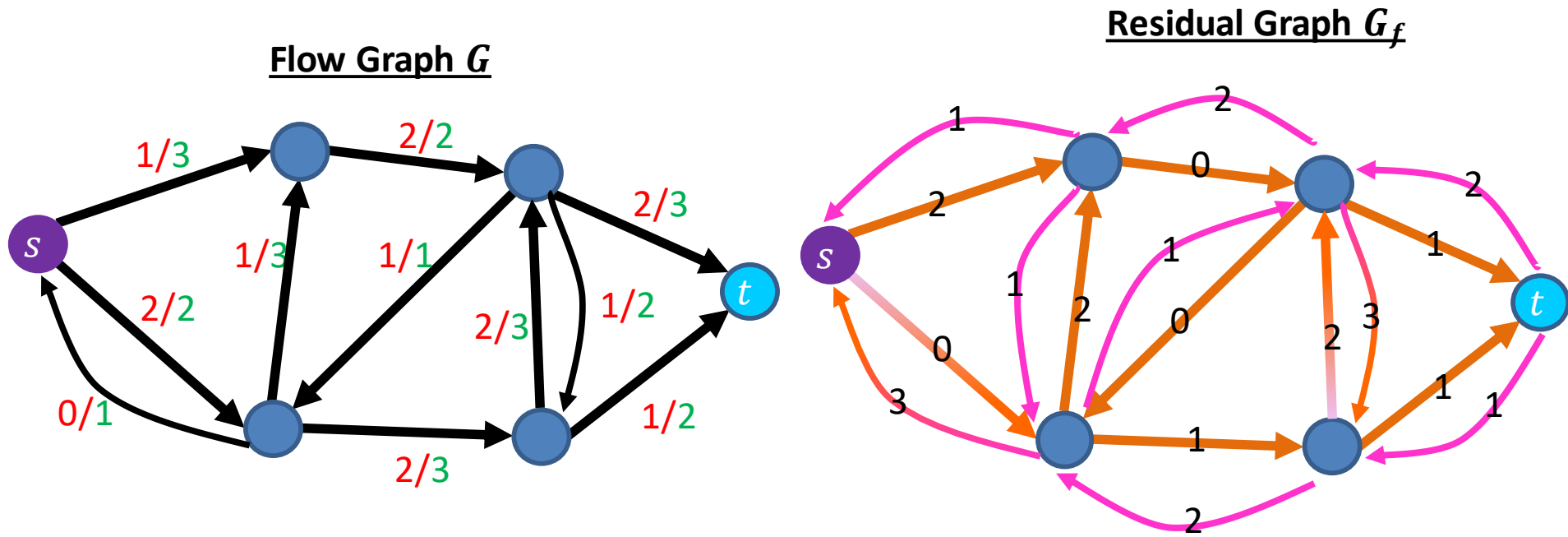
Better Solution



Overall Flow:  $|f| = 30$

# Residual Graph $G_f$

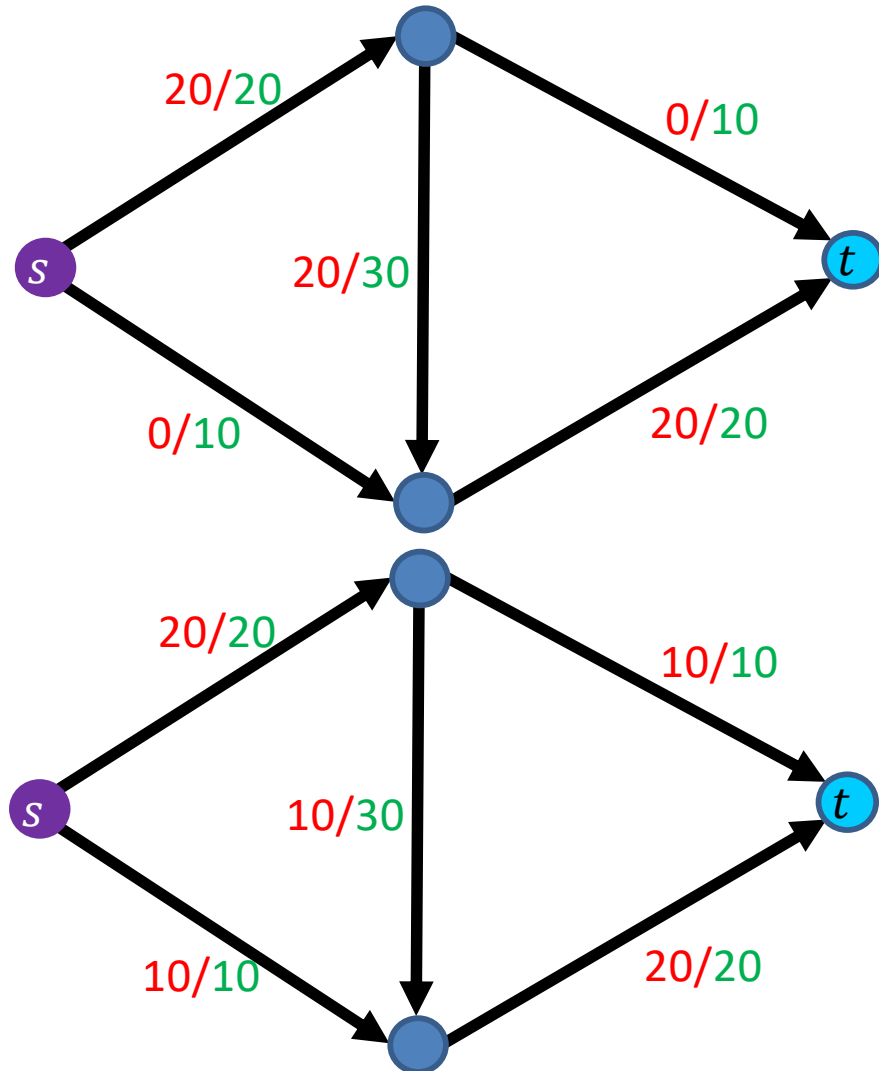
- Keep track of net available flow along each edge
- “**Forward edges**”: weight is equal to available flow along that edge in the flow graph
  - $w(e) = c(e) - f(e)$
- “**Back edges**”: weight is equal to flow along that edge in the flow graph
  - $w(e) = f(e)$



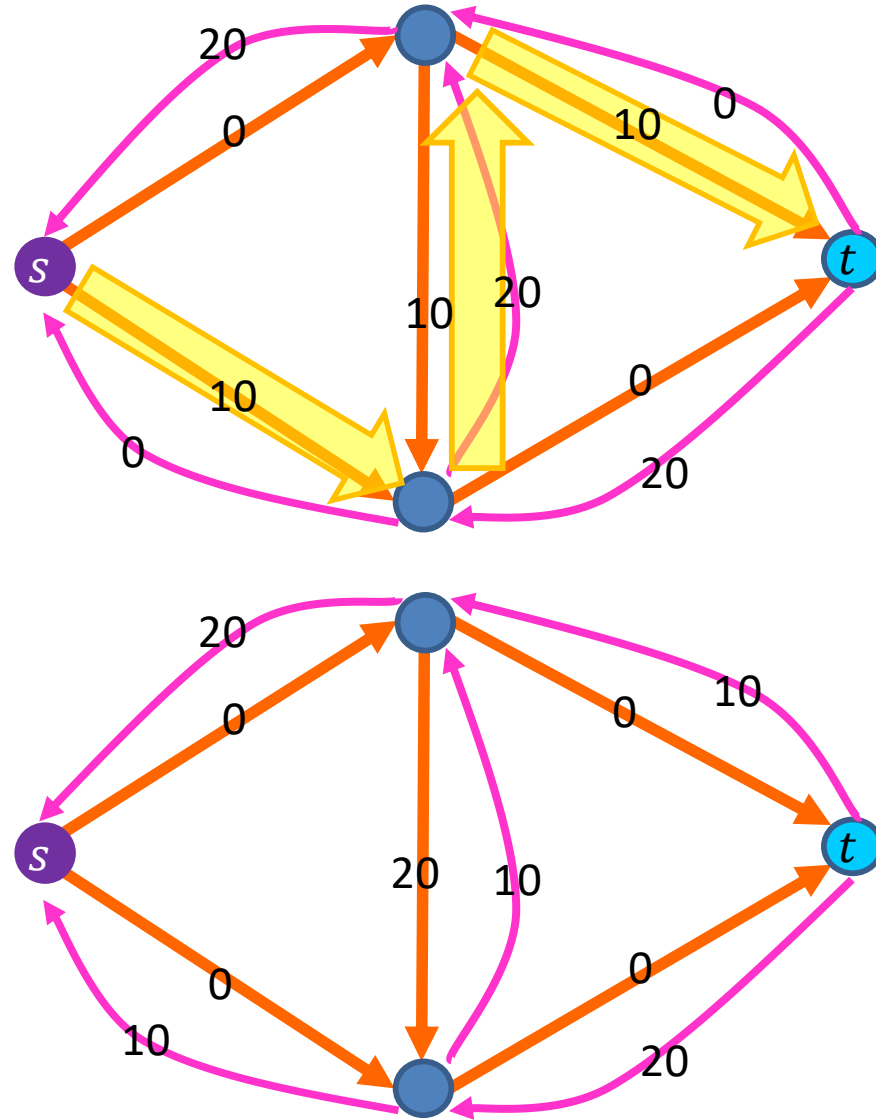


# Residual Graphs Example

Flow Graph



Residual Graph



# Ford-Fulkerson

- Augmenting Path: a path of positive-weight edges from  $s$  to  $t$  in the residual graph
- Algorithm: Repeatedly add the flow of any augmenting path

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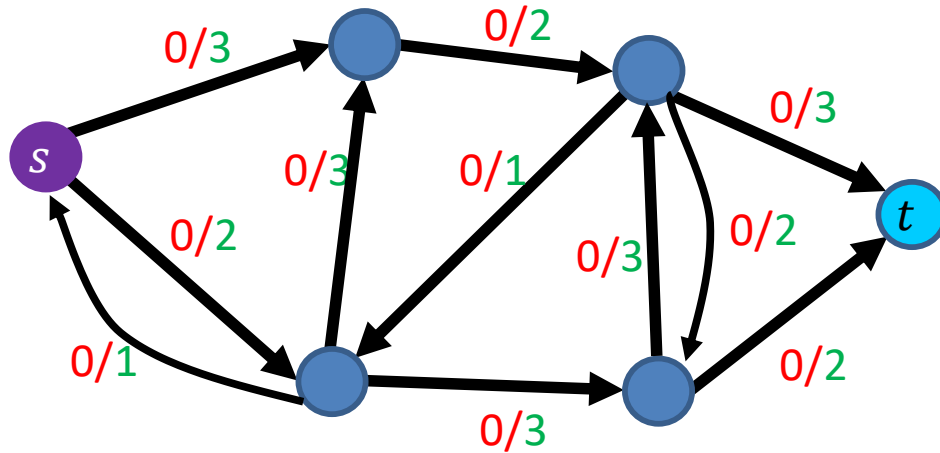
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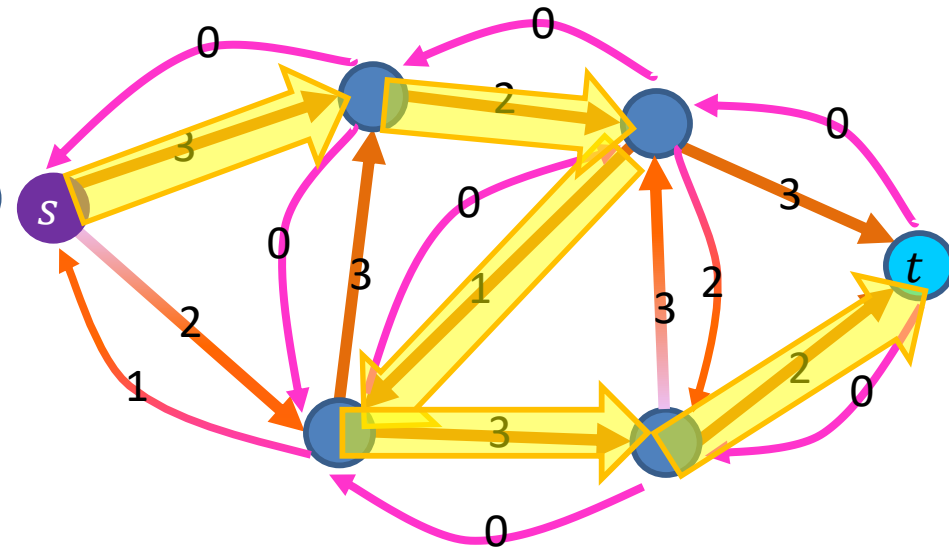
    add  $f$  to the flow of each edge in  $p$

# Ford Fulkerson: example

Flow Graph  $G$



Residual Graph  $G_f$

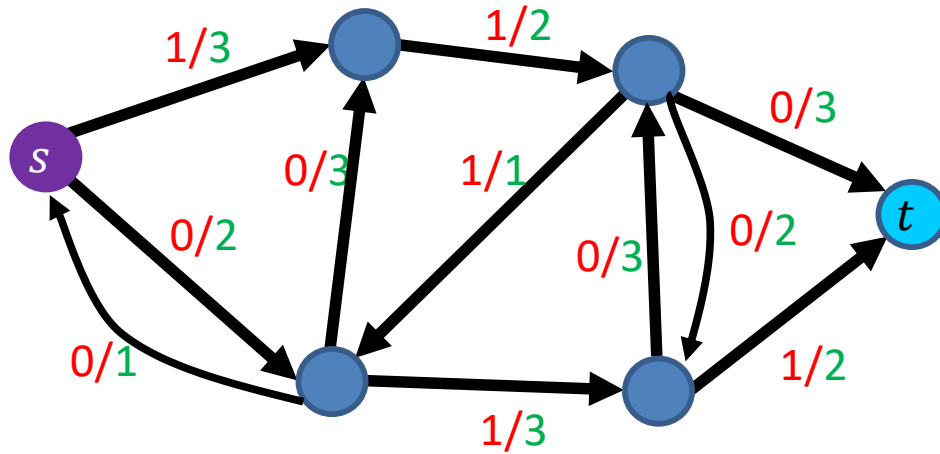


Add flow of 1 to this path

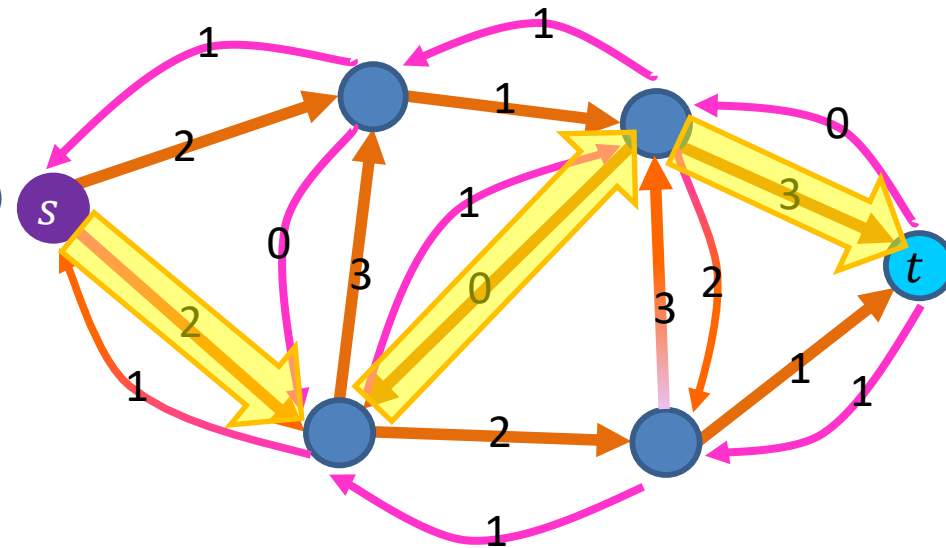


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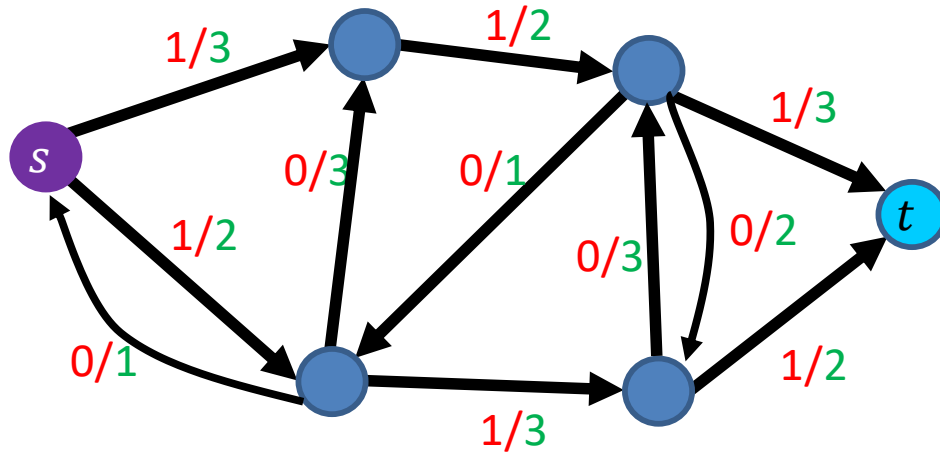
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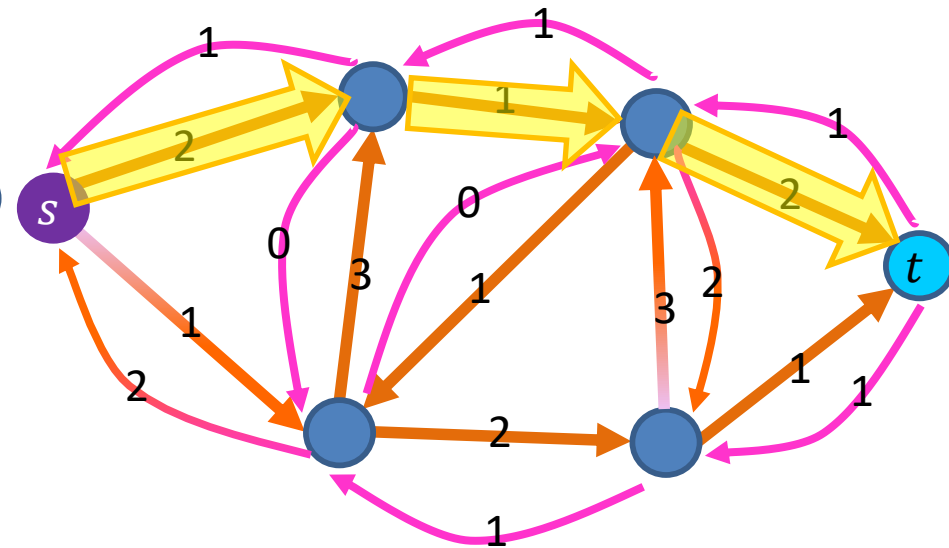
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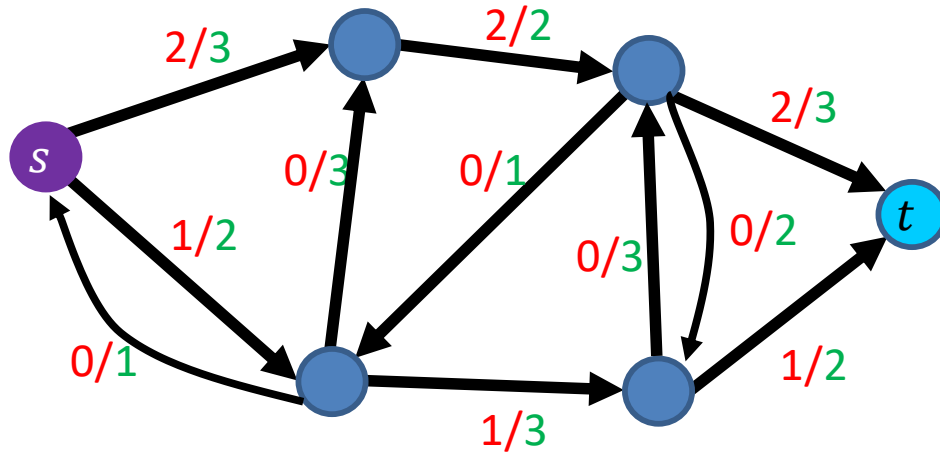
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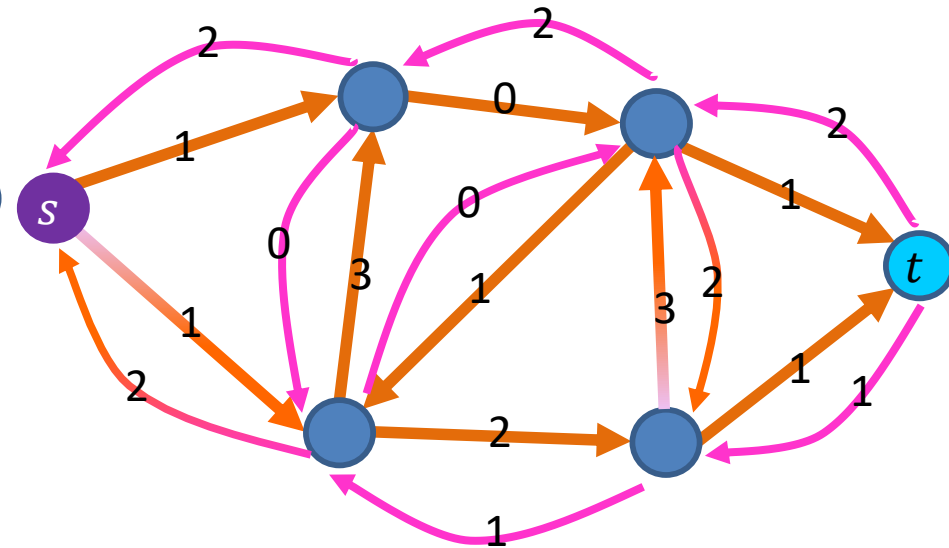
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# Ford Fulkerson: example

Flow Graph  $G$



Residual Graph  $G_f$





# Ford-Fulkerson: Run Time

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    let  $f = \min_{u, v \in p} c_f(u, v)$

    add  $f$  to the flow of each edge in  $p$

Time to find an augmenting path:      BFS:  $\Theta(V + E)$

$\Theta(E \cdot |f|)$

Number of iterations of While loop:  $|f|$

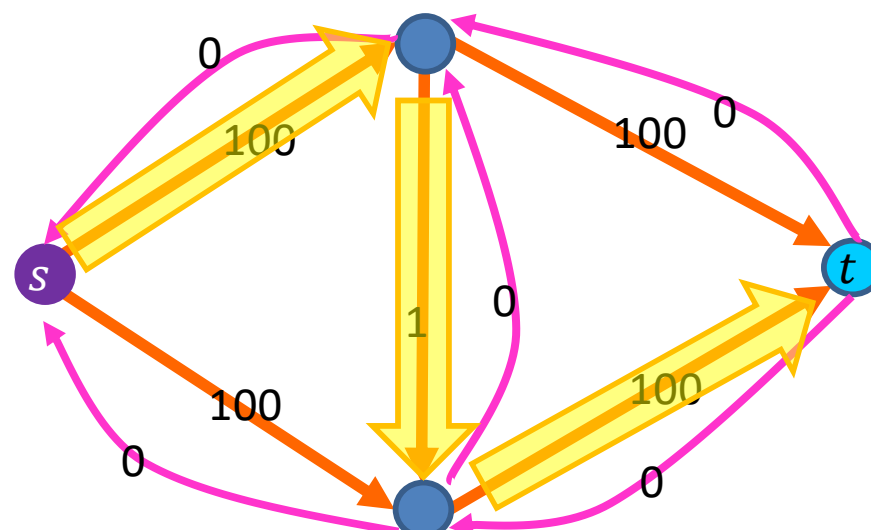
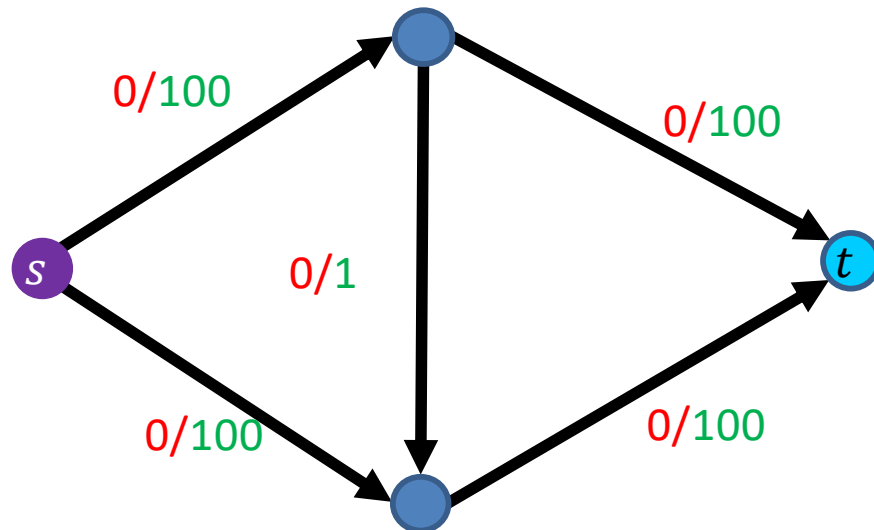
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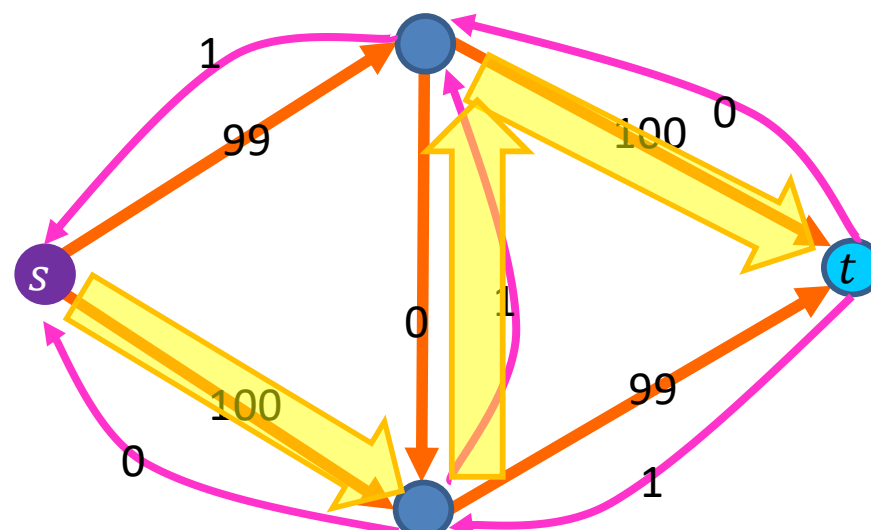
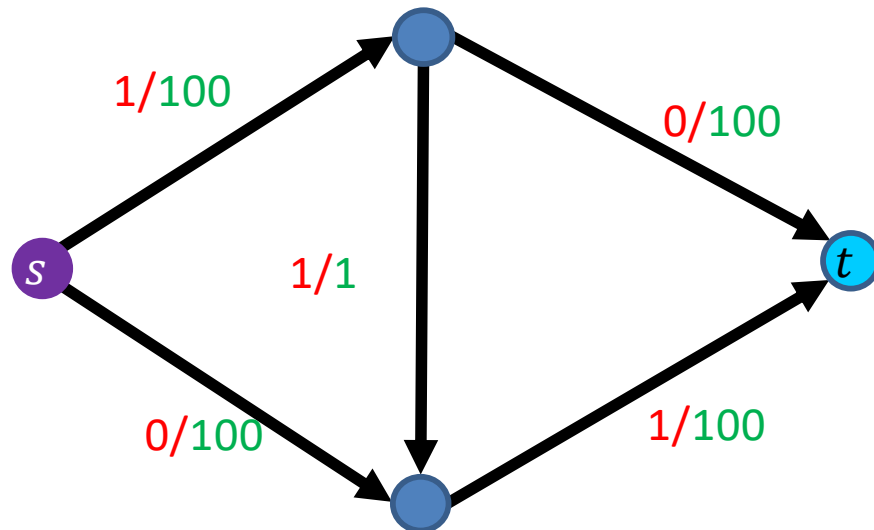
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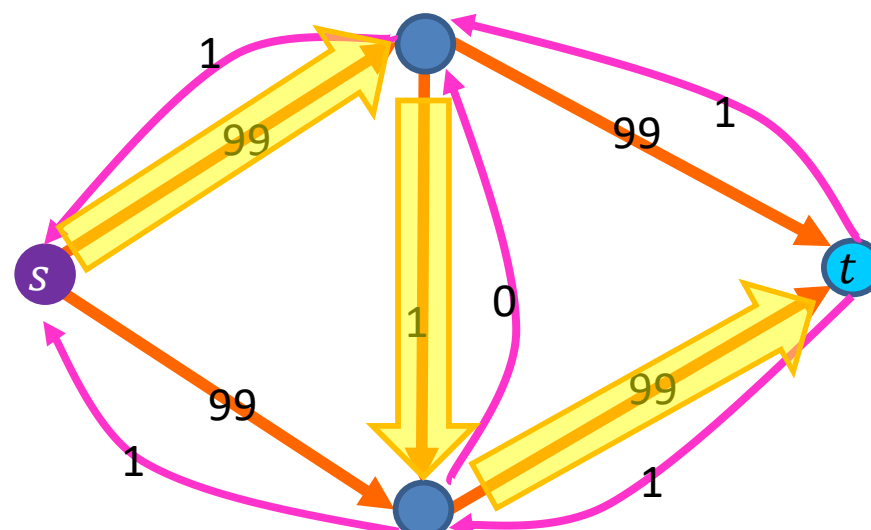
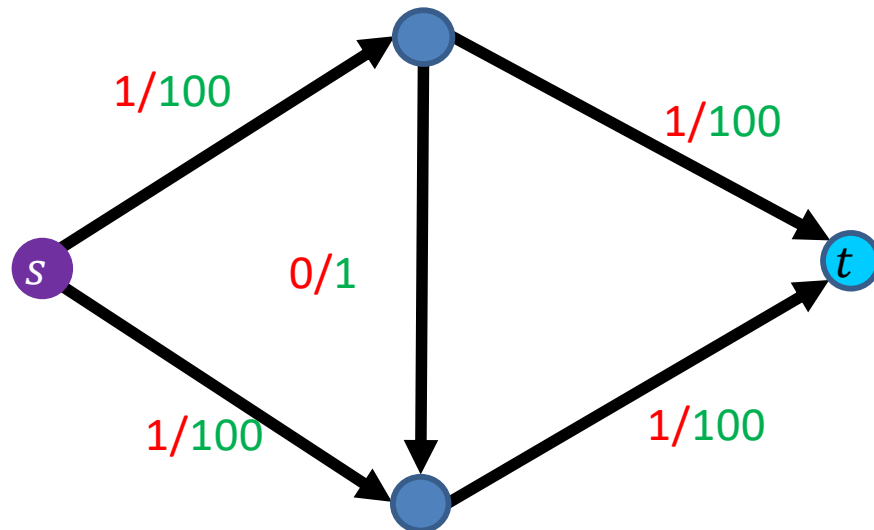
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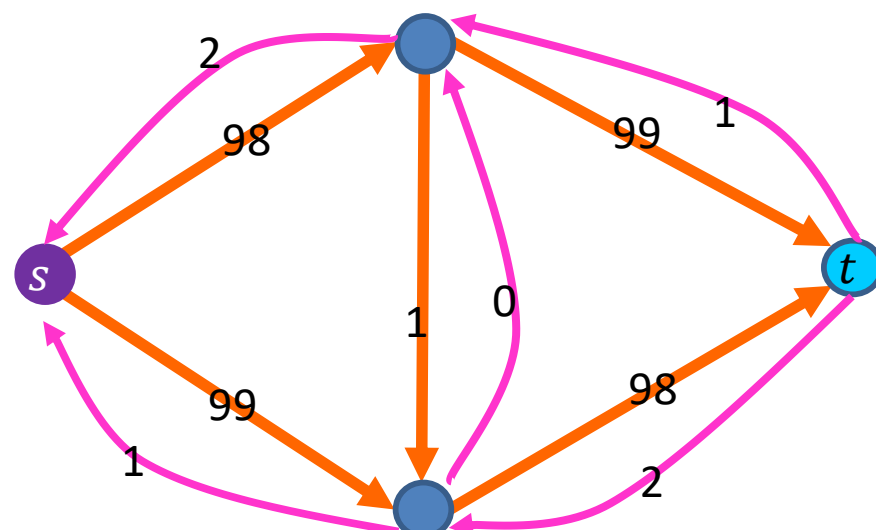
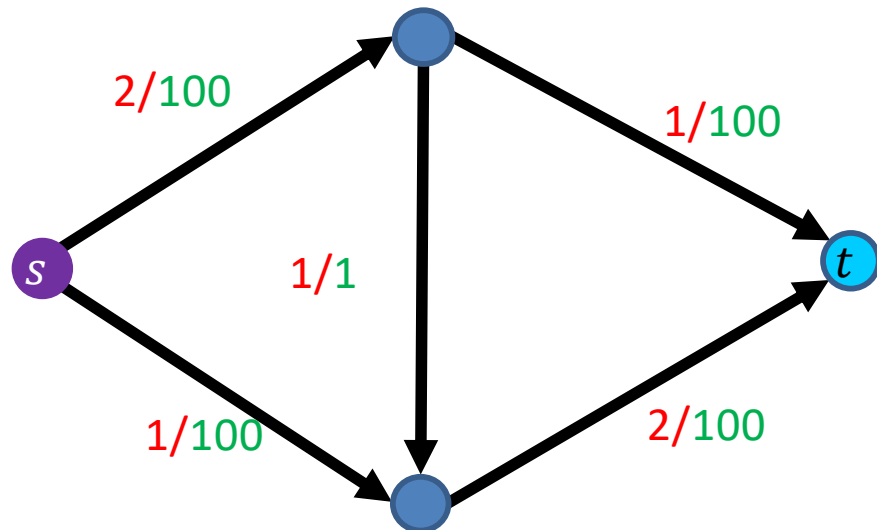
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Each time we increase flow by 1

Loop runs 200 times



# Can We Avoid this?

- Edmonds-Karp Algorithm
- $\Theta(\min(E|f|, VE^2))$
- Choose augmenting path with fewest edges

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While there is an augmenting path in  $G_f$

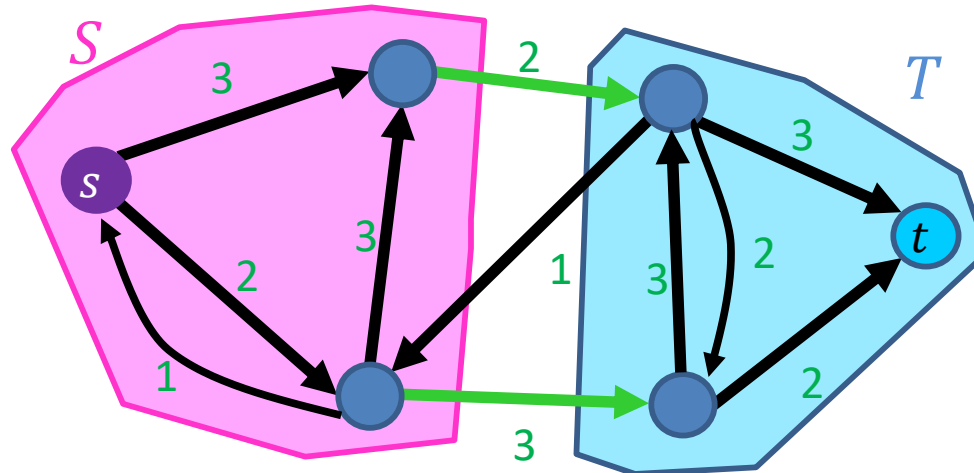
let  $p$  be the shortest augmenting path

let  $f = \min_{u, v \in p} c_f(u, v)$

add  $f$  to the flow of each edge in  $p$

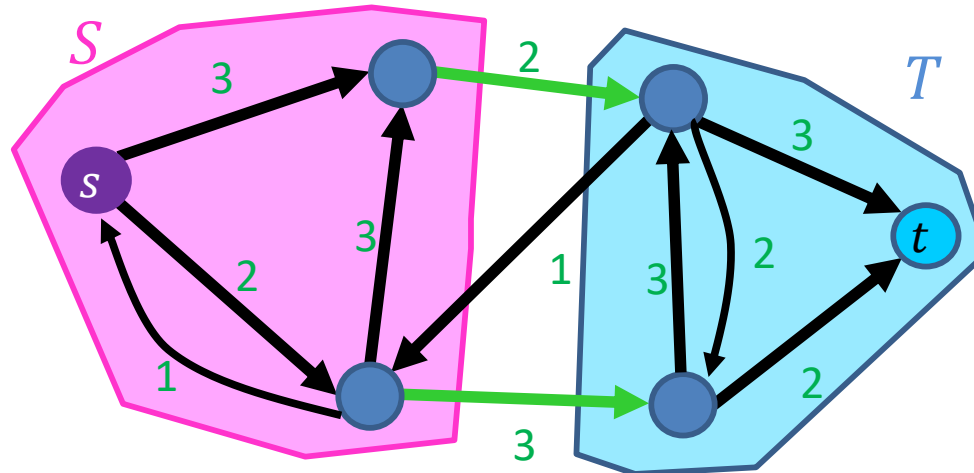
# Showing Correctness of Ford-Fulkerson

- Consider cuts which separate  $s$  and  $t$ 
  - Let  $s \in S$ ,  $t \in T$ , s.t.  $V = S \cup T$
- Cost of cut  $(S, T) = ||S, T||$ 
  - Sum **capacities** of **edges** which go from  $S$  to  $T$
  - This example: 5



# Maxflow $\leq$ MinCut

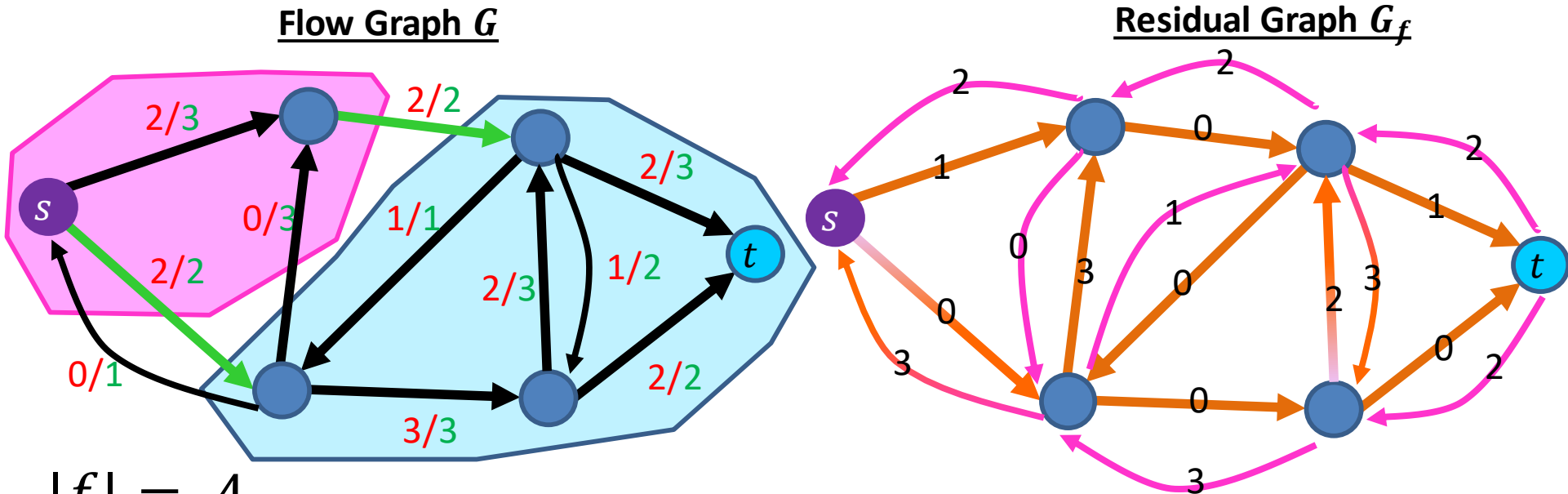
- Max flow upper bounded by any cut separating  $s$  and  $t$
- Why? “Conservation of flow”
  - All flow exiting  $s$  must eventually get to  $t$
  - To get from  $s$  to  $t$ , all “tanks” must cross the cut
- Conclusion: If we find the minimum-cost cut, we’ve found the maximum flow
  - $\max_f |f| \leq \min_{S,T} ||S,T||$



# Maxflow/Mincut Theorem

- To show Ford-Fulkerson is correct:
  - Show that when there are no more augmenting paths, there is a cut with cost equal to the flow
- Conclusion: the maximum flow through a network matches the minimum-cost cut
  - $\max_f |f| = \min_{S,T} ||S, T||$
- Duality
  - When we've maximized max flow, we've minimized min cut (and vice-versa), so we can check when we've found one by finding the other

# Example: Maxflow/Mincut



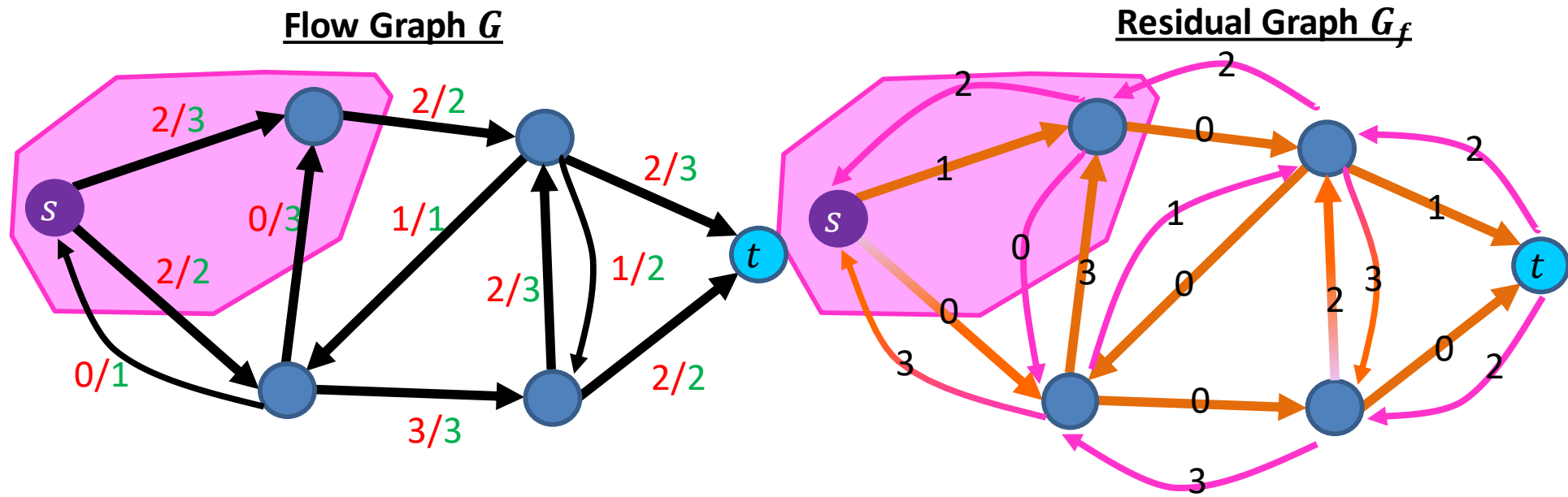
No Augmenting Paths

Idea: When there are no more augmenting paths, there exists a cut in the graph with cost matching the flow



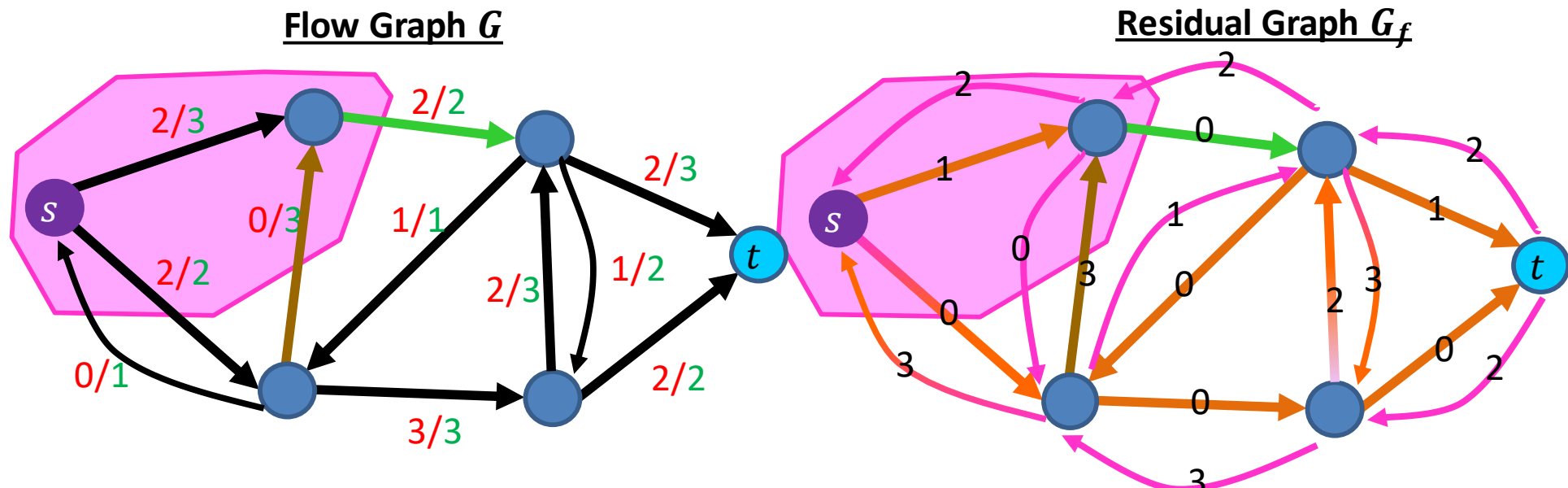
# Proof: Maxflow/Mincut Theorem

- If  $|f|$  is a max flow, then  $G_f$  has no augmenting path
  - Otherwise, use that augmenting path to “push” more flow
- Define  $S$  = nodes reachable from source node  $s$  by positive-weight edges in the residual graph
  - $T = V - S$
  - $S$  separates  $s$ ,  $t$  (otherwise there's an augmenting path)



# Proof: Maxflow/Mincut Theorem

- To show:  $||S, T|| = |f|$ 
  - Weight of the cut matches the flow across the cut
- Consider edge  $(u, v)$  with  $u \in S, v \in T$ 
  - $f(u, v) = c(u, v)$ , because otherwise  $w(u, v) > 0$  in  $G_f$ , which would mean  $v \in S$
- Consider edge  $(y, x)$  with  $y \in T, x \in S$ 
  - $f(y, x) = 0$ , because otherwise the back edge  $w(y, x) > 0$  in  $G_f$ , which would mean  $x \in S$



# Proof Summary

1. The flow  $|f|$  of  $G$  is upper-bounded by the sum of capacities of edges crossing any cut separating source  $s$  and sink  $t$
2. When Ford-Fulkerson Terminates, there are no more augmenting paths in  $G_f$
3. When there are no more augmenting paths in  $G_f$  then we can define a cut  $S =$  nodes reachable from source node  $s$  by positive-weight edges in the residual graph
4. The sum of edge capacities crossing this cut must match the flow of the graph
5. Therefore this flow is maximal

# Other Maxflow algorithms

- **Ford-Fulkerson**
  - $\Theta(E|f|)$
- **Edmonds-Karp**
  - $\Theta(E^2V)$
- **Push-Relabel (Tarjan)**
  - $\Theta(EV^2)$
- **Faster Push-Relabel (also Tarjan)**
  - $\Theta(V^3)$