# Constructions in AlgoLand

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#### Exercise 1

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# Matching

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#### Find a largest matching

Maximum Cardinality Matching: O(VE)

#### **Points** There are two test sets:

- 1. For the first set, worth 30 points, you may assume that the total number of cities is at most 500.
- 2. For the second set, worth 70 points, the total number of cities is at most  $10^6$ .

#### Do we know more about the graph?



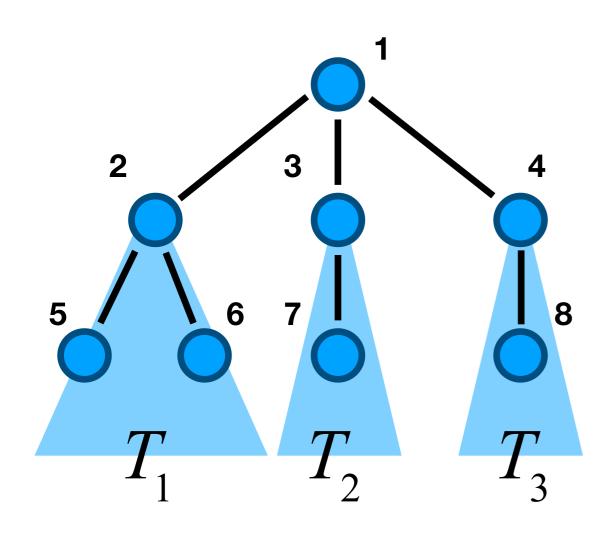
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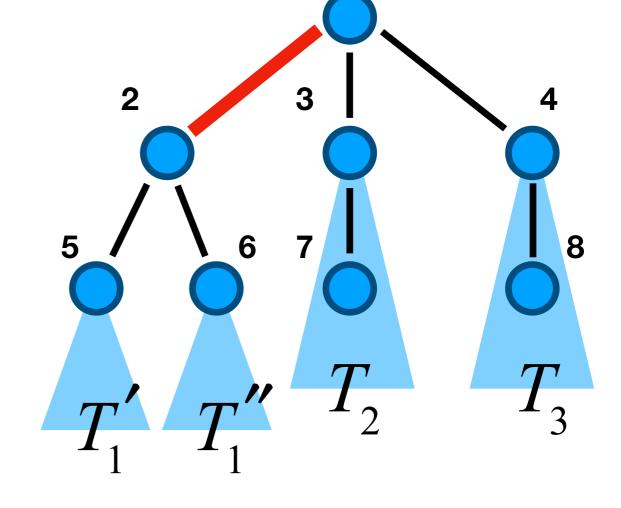
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#### Observations



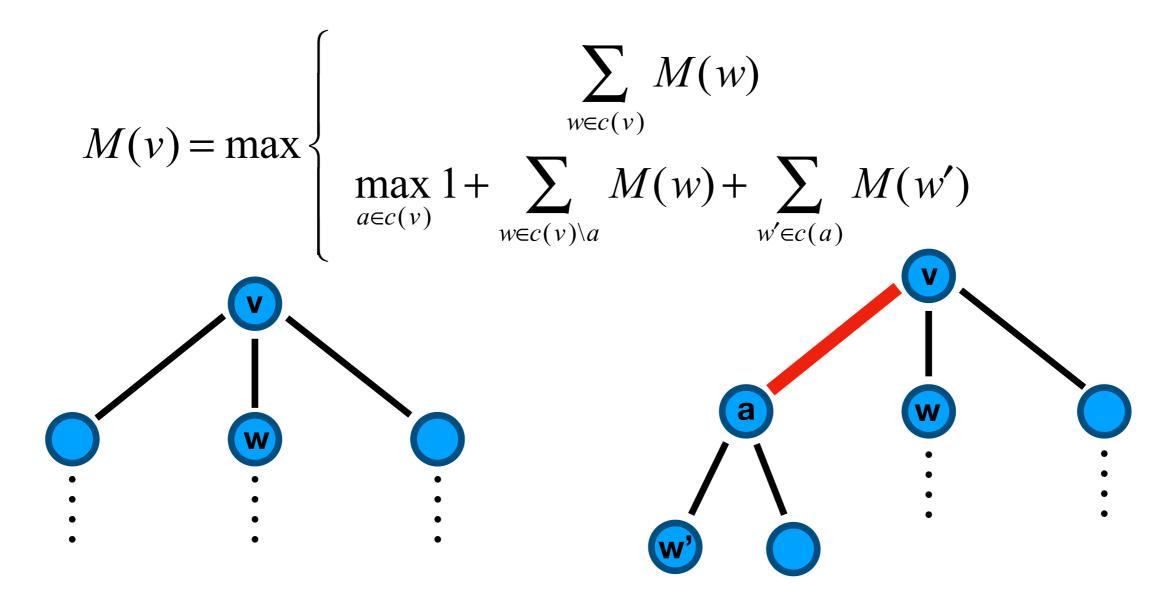


- Don't take any edge incident to vertex 1.
- Maximum matching in each subtree can be found independently.

- Take an edge incident to a child of vertex 1.
- 2. Maximum matching in each subtree can be found independently.

#### Formulation as a DP

- Let c(v) denote the set of children of v in the tree
- Let M(v) denote the **size of the largest matching** in the subtree rooted at v



## Implementation

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M(v) = \max \begin{cases} \sum_{w \in c(v)} M(w) \\ \max_{a \in c(v)} 1 + \sum_{w \in c(v) \setminus a} M(w) + \sum_{w' \in c(a)} M(w') \end{cases}
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    for all w in c(v)\a:
        S = S + M(w);
    for all w' in c(a):
        S = S + M(w');
    M(v) = max(M(v),S);
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}

Can be  $O(n^2)$  if v has n-1 decendants

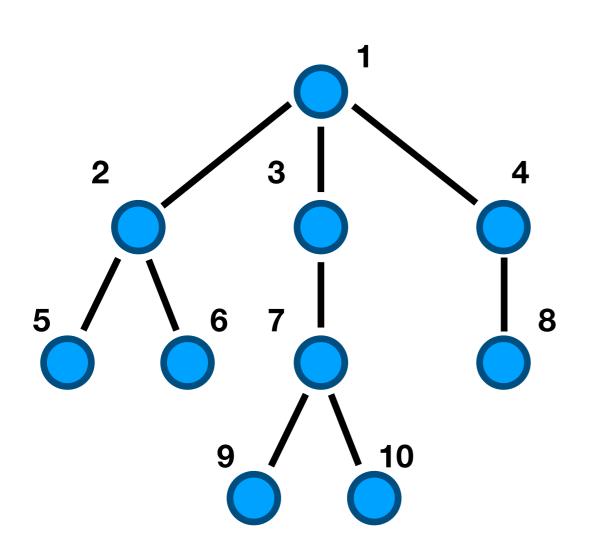
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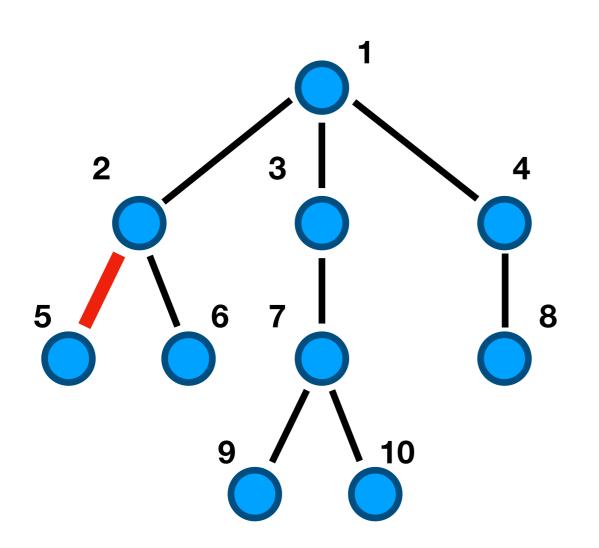
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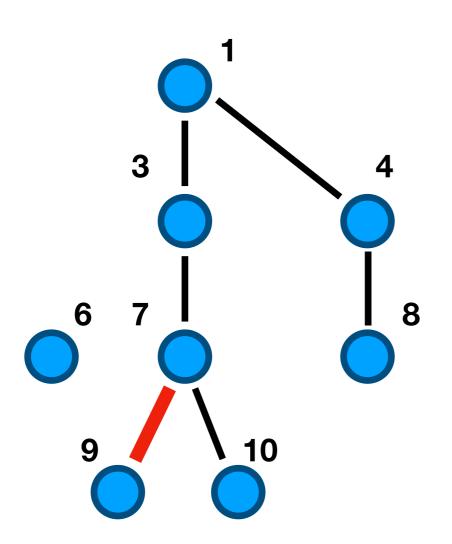
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matching(v) {
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    for all w in c(v) : S = S + M(w);
    M(v) = S; M'(v) = S;

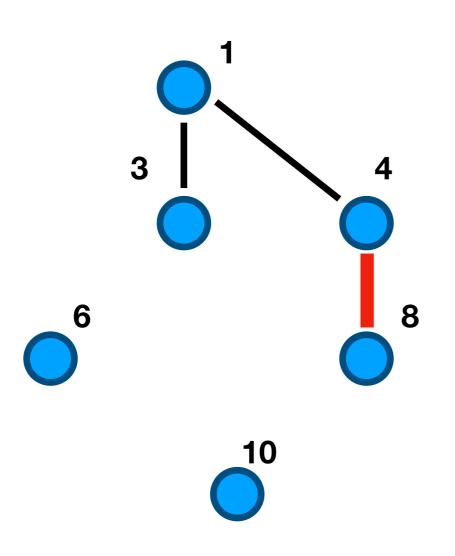
for all a in c(v):
    S = 1 + M'(v) - M(a);
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}
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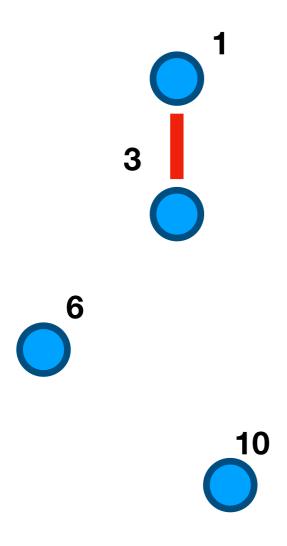
Exercise: Show that the running time is linear





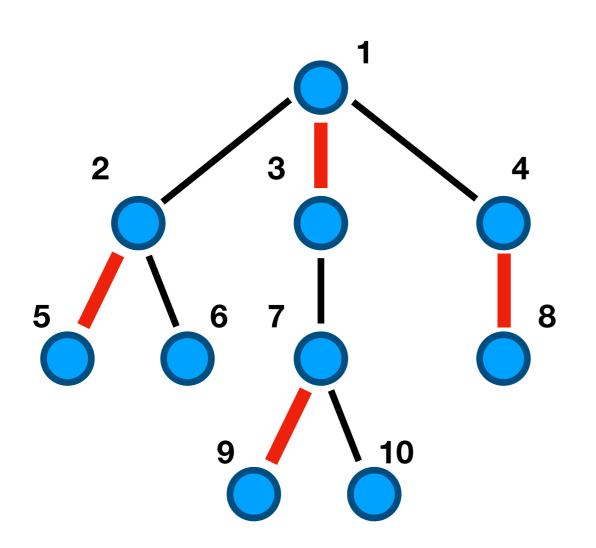






Repeat: Take an edge which contains a leaf and remove its endpoints and all edges incident to the parent.

{2,5} {7,9} {4,8} {1,3}



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**Exercise**: prove its correctness by using the exchange argument (see slides from the 5th week)

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#### Exercise 2

#### **Exercise** – Consecutive Constructions

The basic roads in Algoland are already built, but the road network still needs to be extended.

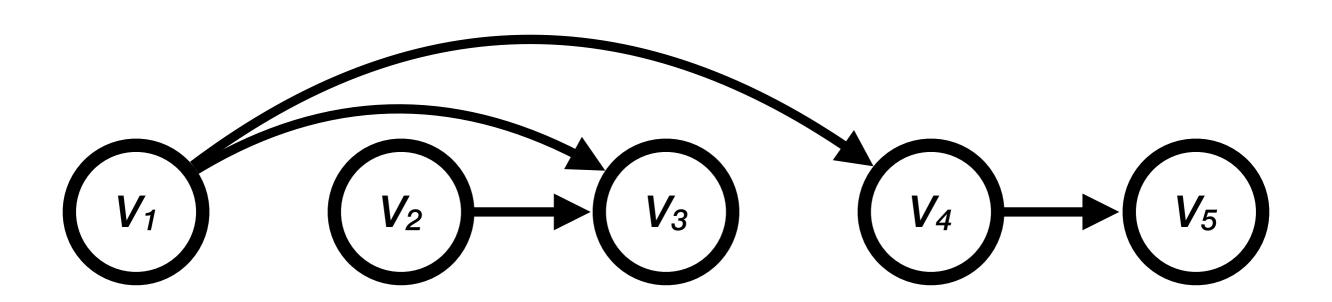
The roads to be constructed now are in a more difficult terrain, so, if possible, you want to build them in consecutive intervals. A single construction team with all the heavy equipment can start building the next road in the same city just after finishing the previous one.

#### The rules are as follows:

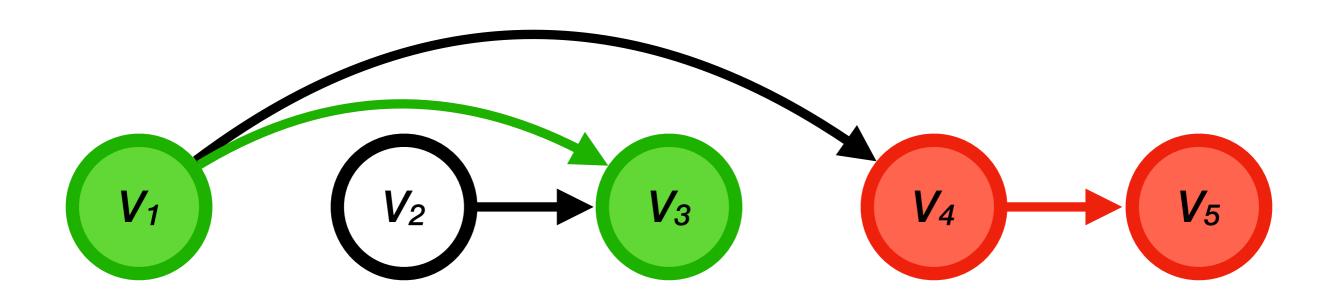
- You can use as many teams as you need for operating the construction.
- Each team will start in some city *u*, and then build a road to a city with larger number *v*. After finishing the construction the team will be in *v*. Then it might build another road to a city with even larger number, and so on.
- To avoid disruptions each city can be visited at most once by at most one team. Starting or finishing in a city counts as a visit.
- You want to build as many roads as possible.

**Goal**: Given a directed acyclic graph *G*, find the maximum number of edges that can be packed in vertex-disjoint paths in *G*.

# Example

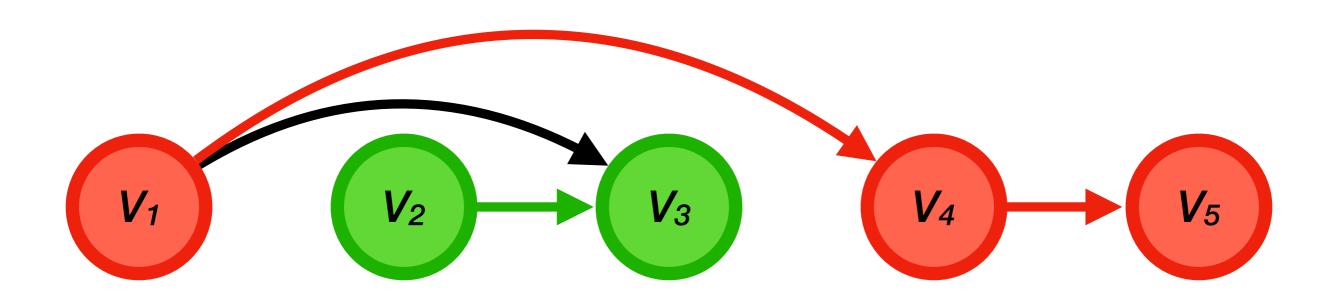


# **Greedy Strategy**



Extend as much as possible

## **Optimal Solution**



Three edges

#### What about a DP?

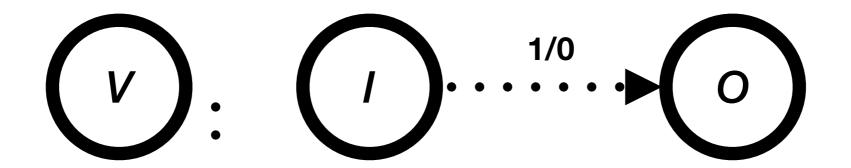
If we choose an edge  $\{v_1, v_k\}$  we still need to find a solution on the vertices  $v_2, ..., v_{k-1}, v_{k+1}, ..., v_n$  where parts before and after  $v_k$  are not independent.

#### Min-Cost Flow

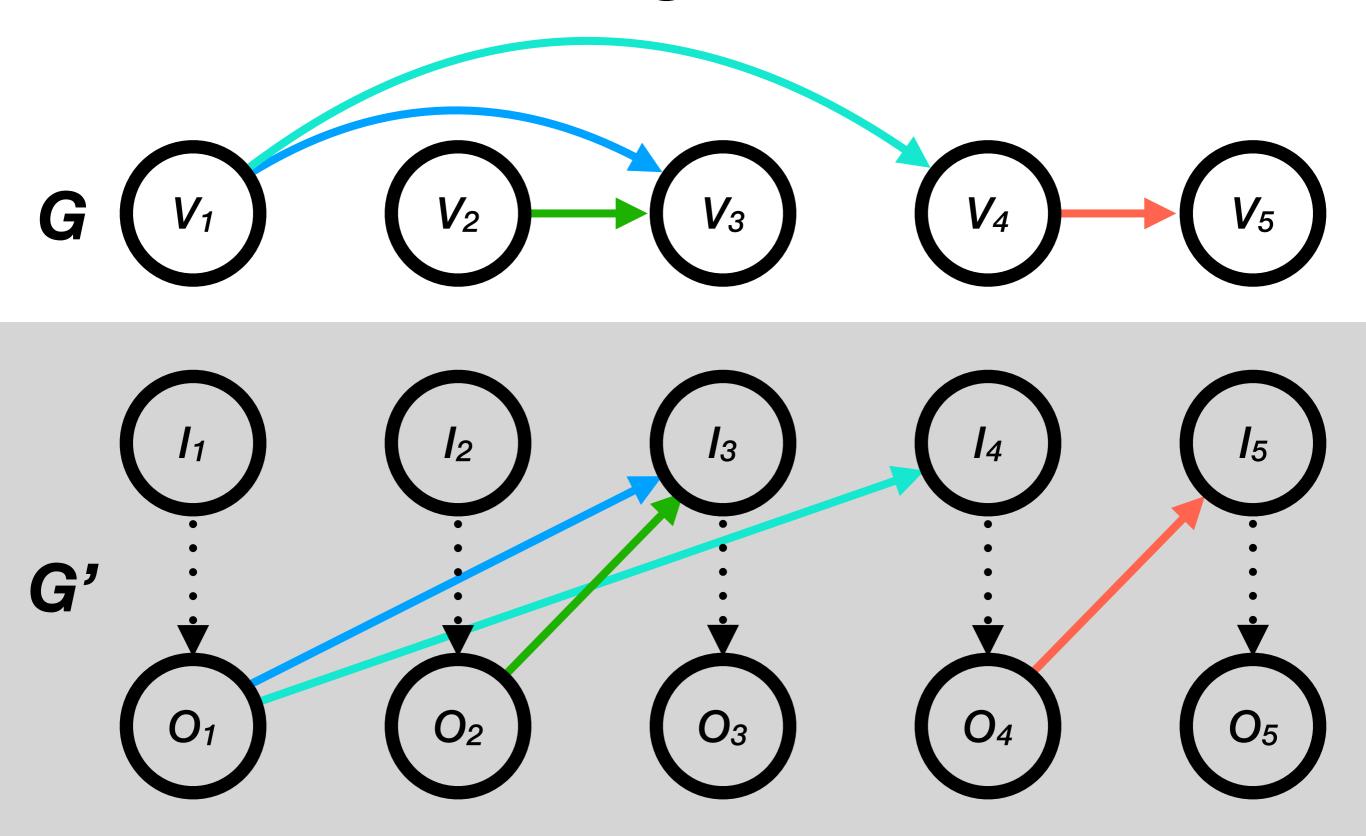
Model each team as a unit flow

Each edge is of capacity 1 and cost -1

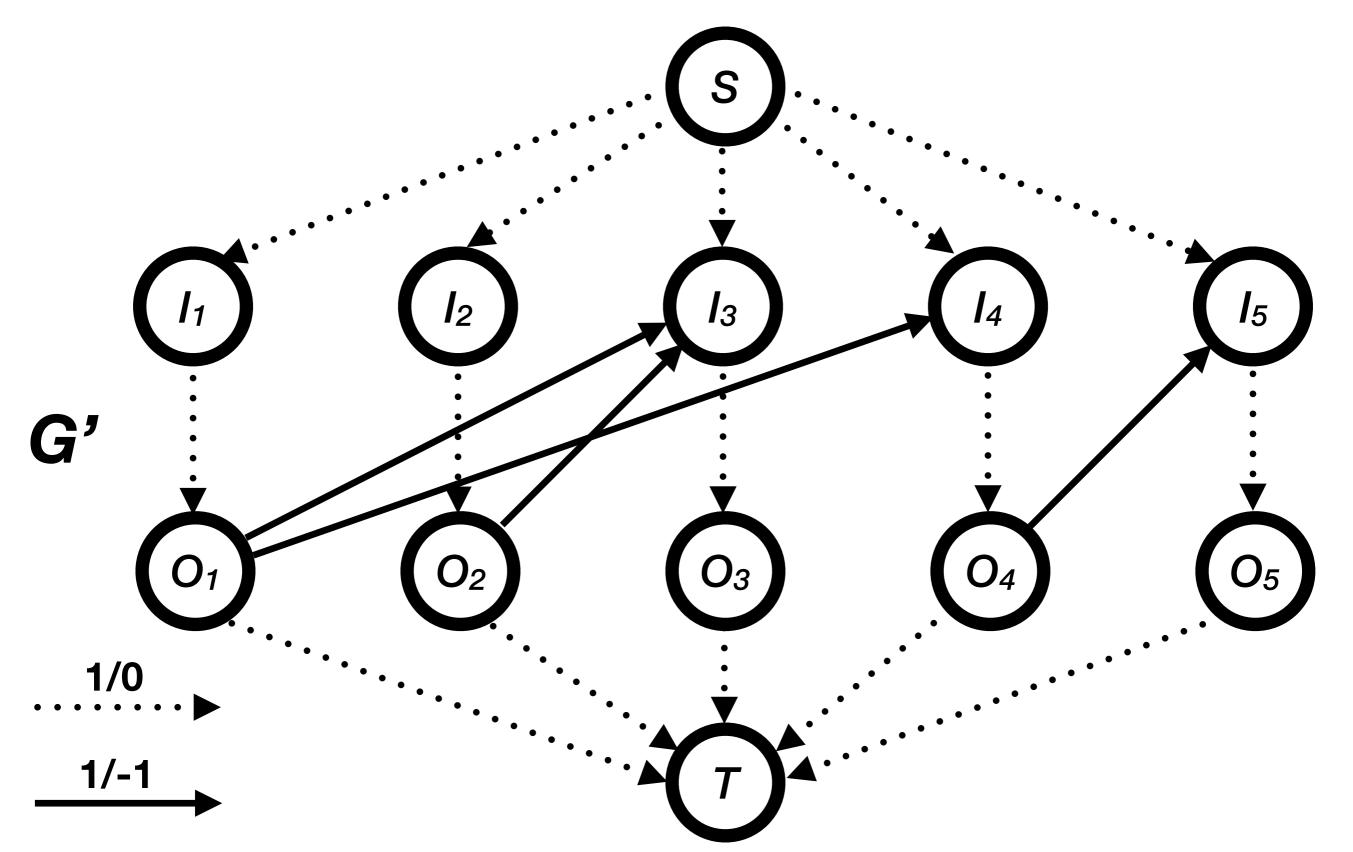
Vertex-disjoint paths: vertices are of capacity 1



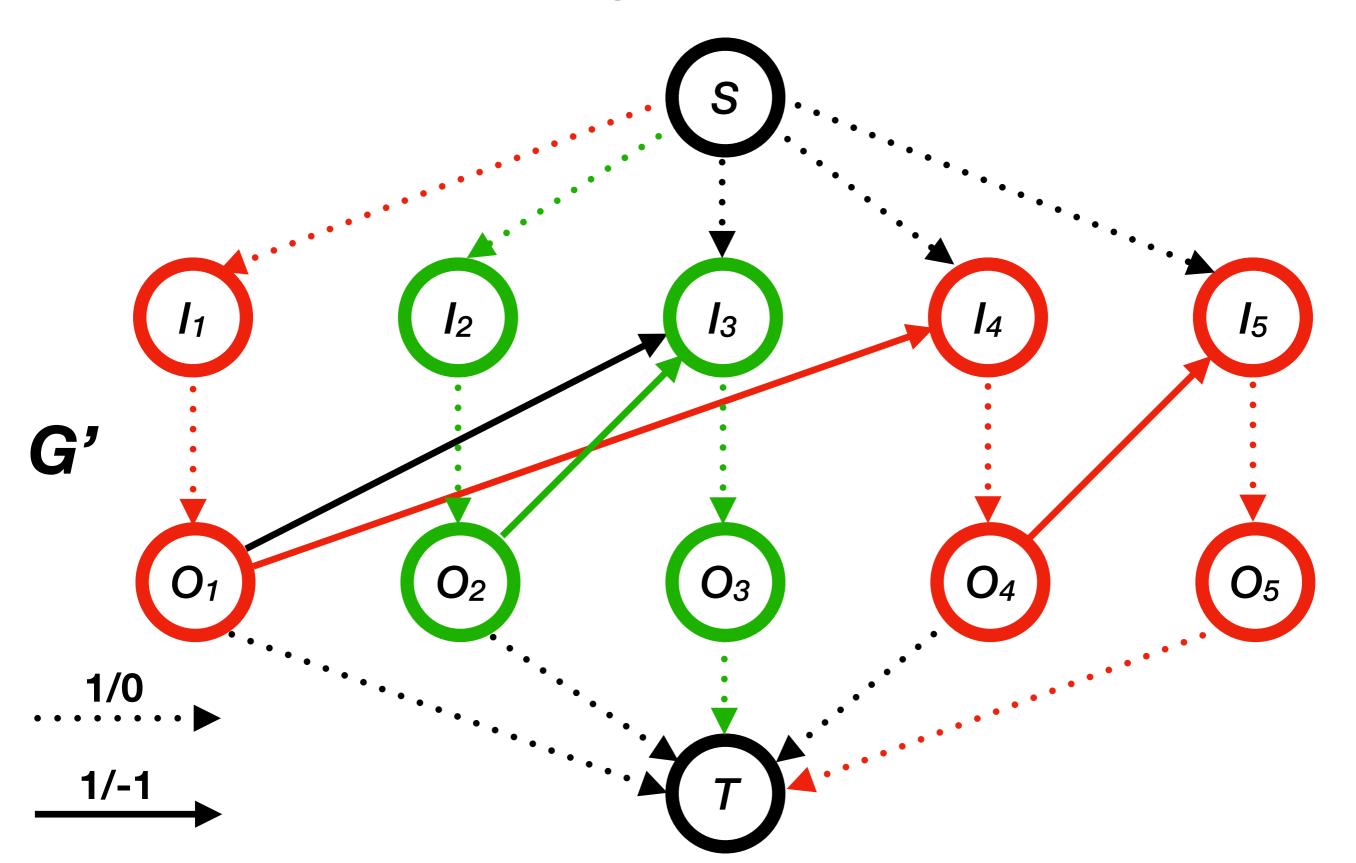
# **Doubling Vertices**



#### Adding S, T, Capacity and Cost



#### Min-Cost Flow



## Matching

Do we really need a min-cost flow?

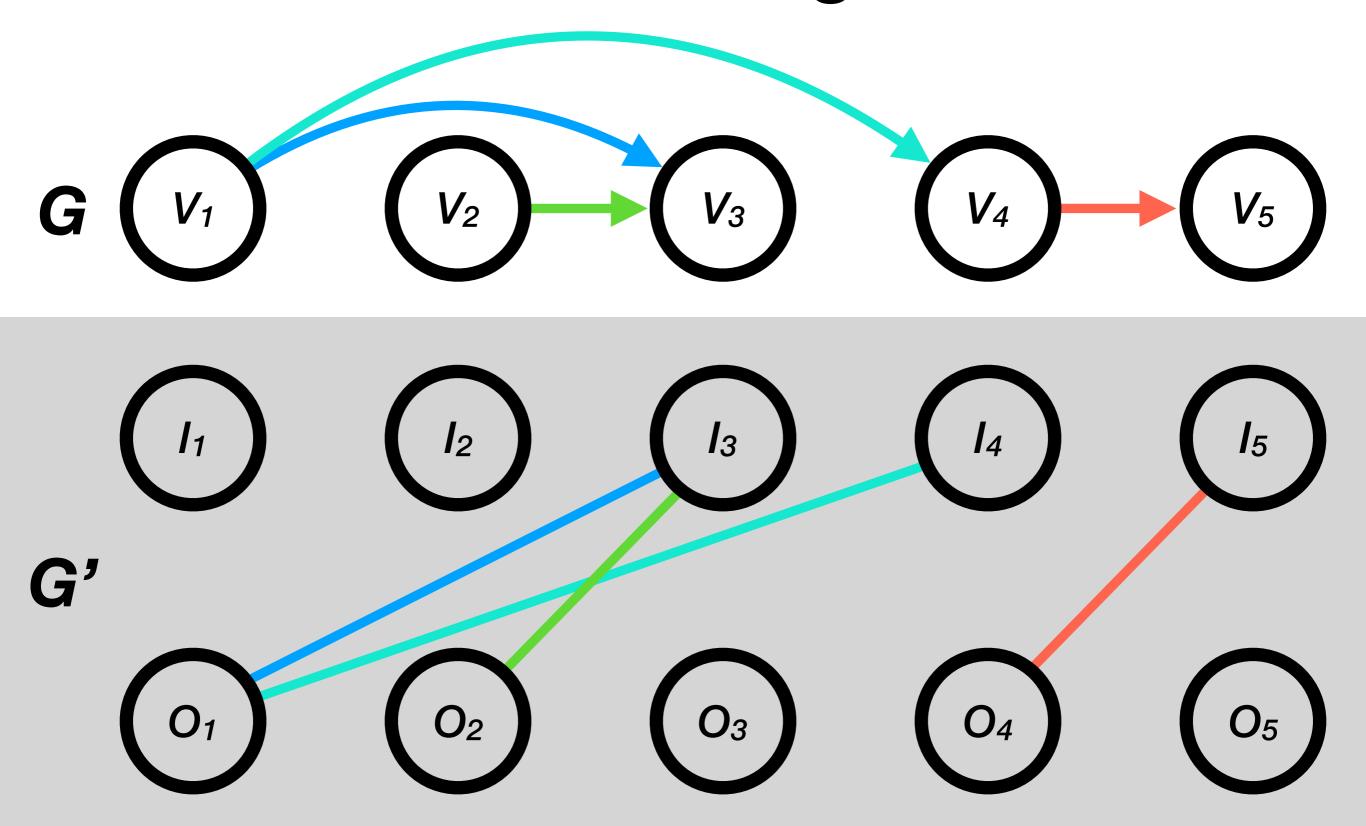
Only solid edges contribute to the cost.

Each vertex is incident to at most one solid edge.

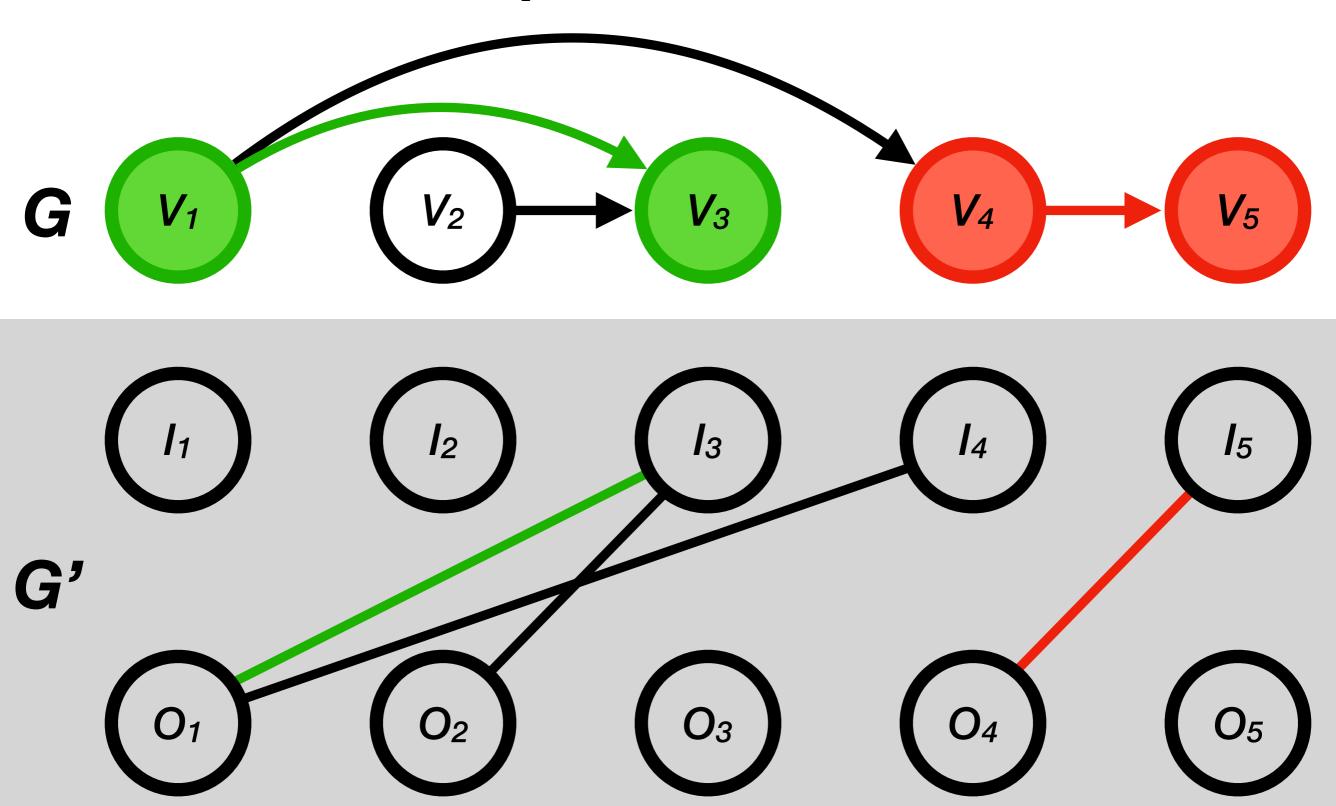
#### Lemma

There is a 1-1 correspondence between solutions in G with k edges and matchings in G of size k.

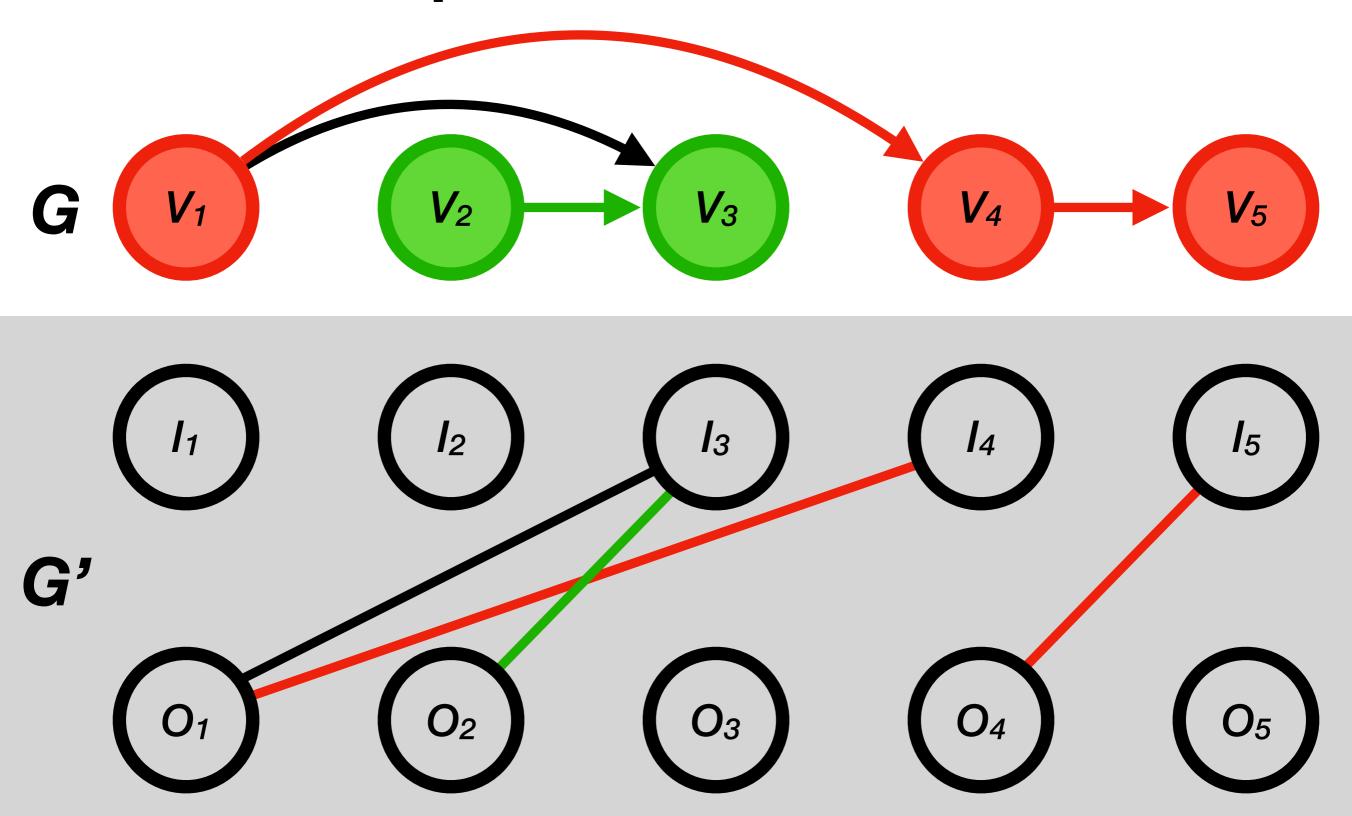
# Modeling



## **Sub-optimal Solution**



# **Optimal Solution**



## Exercise 3

#### **Exercise** – *Missing Roads*

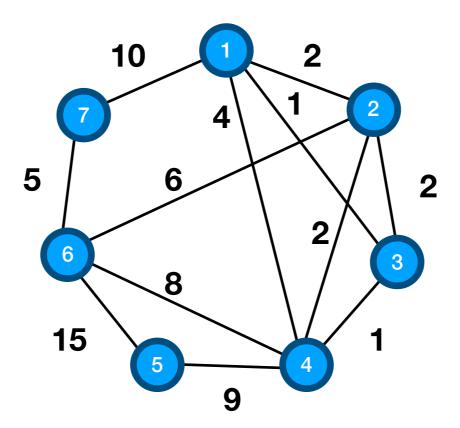
A lot of roads were built in Algoland, but some of them are still missing. Since many accidents happened last year at construction sites, the government decided to decrease the risk of injury by using a separate construction team for each road. However, as the road-building equipment makes a lot of noise when it is started, no two construction teams are allowed to start building from the same city. There is no problem though in two construction teams ending the road in the same city. A team assigned for one road can *choose* from which city will it start the construction.

There is not a lot of time and all roads must be built simultaneously, but you need to pay attention to the budget. Thus, given a construction cost for each potential road, estimate the minimum possible cost of building at least k of them, without starting a construction of more than one road at each city. Each given possible road has a cost between 1 and 100.

**Goal**: Given an undirected graph G and an integer k find a set of vertices  $\{v_1, ..., v_k\}$  and edges  $\{e_1, ..., e_k\}$  such that

- vertex  $v_i$  is incident to  $e_i$ , and
- the sum of edge costs is the smallest possible.

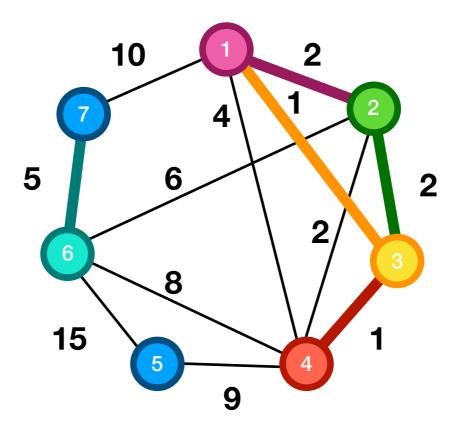
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#### k=5



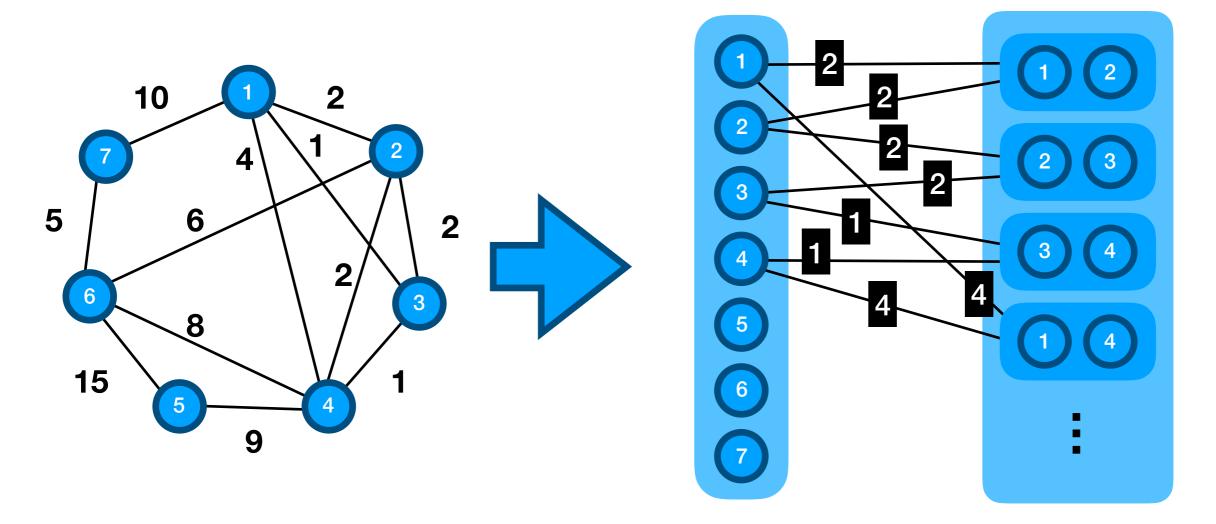
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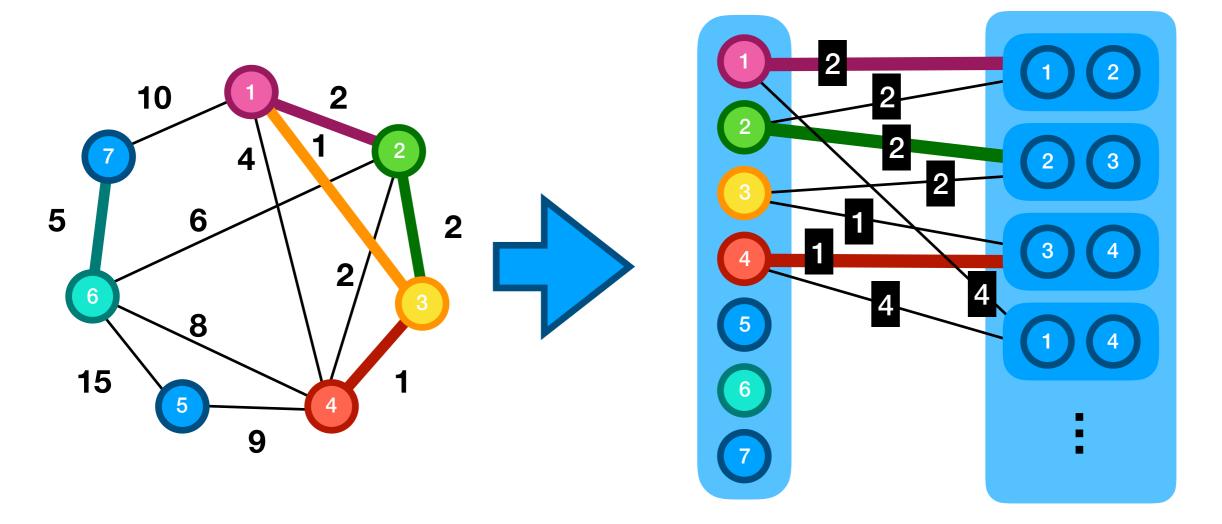
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#### Solution

**Goal:** Find cheapest matching of size *k* in *B* 

- If all costs are the same check whether the maximum matching is of size at least *k.* (50 points)
- Otherwise reduce the problem to a min-cost max-flow problem.

