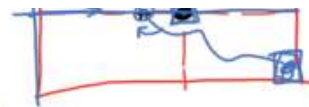


$(A[1..i], B[1..j])$



$$* \quad T(i,j) = \min_{i=0, j=0} (T(i,j-1)+1, \quad \boxed{T(i-1,j)+1}, \quad T(i-1,j-1))$$

$T(0,j) = j$   
 $T(i,0) = i$

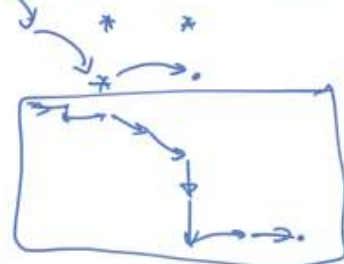
↑ only if  $A[i] = B[j]$ .

for  $i = 1, \dots, n$   
for  $j = 1, \dots, m$

$O(nm)$  time.

$A[1..n]$      $A[1..i]$   
 $B[1..m]$      $B[1..j]$

$i, j, k$



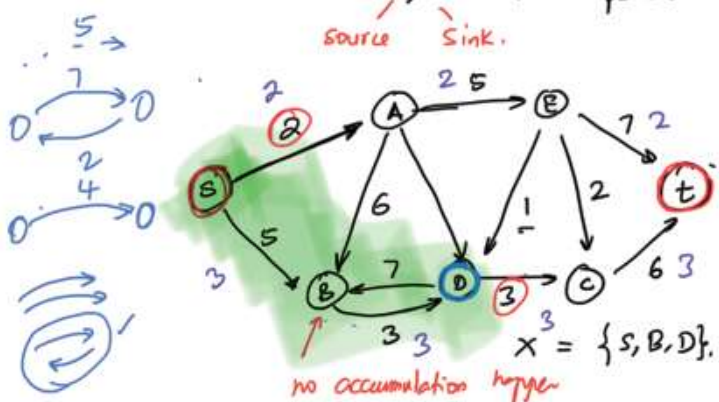
### Maximum Flows:

electrical current, water, traffic....  
directed graph

Problem:  $G, e$  has a capacity  $u_e \geq 0$   
 $s, t$ : two special vertices  
source    sink.

- Greedy
- Divide & Conquer
- Dynamic Programming
- Maximum Flows.

Convention: No edge enters  $s$ ,  
Notation: No edge leaves  $t$ .



- Electric current:

each edge is a wire  
 $u_e$ : max. current that can flow on  $e$ .

- Water pipes:

each edge is a water pipe  
 $u_e$ : rate at which water can flow on this pipe.

- traffic: each edge is a road.

$u_e$ : how much traffic flows on each edge  
(rate of traffic)

eg, 10 trucks/hour.

What do we want?

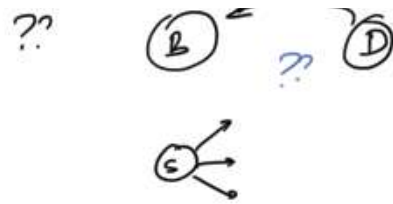
Defn: A flow  $f$  specifies a quantity  $f_e$  for each edge:

(i)  $0 \leq f_e \leq u_e \quad \forall \text{ edge } e.$

(ii) "flow conservation"  
for every vertex  $v$  other than  $s$  or  $t$ ,  
 $\sum_{e: e \text{ comes into } v} f_e = \sum_{e: e \text{ goes out of } v} f_e$



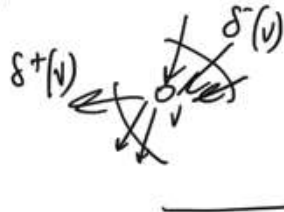
$\delta^-(v)$ : edges entering  $v$ .  
 $\delta^+(v)$ : edges leaving  $v$ .



Let  $f$  be flow.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{flow going out of } s &:= \sum_{e \text{ leaving } s} f_e \\ \text{flow coming into } t &= \sum_{e \text{ entering } t} f_e \end{aligned}$$

value of the flow  
 $\equiv$  flow going out  
of  $s$ .



Claim: Flow coming into  $t$   
 $=$  Flow going out of  $s$ .

Pf: For every vertex  $v \neq s, t$

$$\sum_{e \in \delta^-(v)} f_e = \sum_{e \in \delta^+(v)} f_e$$

total flow entering  $v$       total flow leaving  $v$

Add all of these equations:



when we add all of these equations,



any such edge appears on the LHS for  $v$

$$\sum_{e \in \delta^+(s)} f_e = \sum_{e \in \delta^-(t)} f_e$$

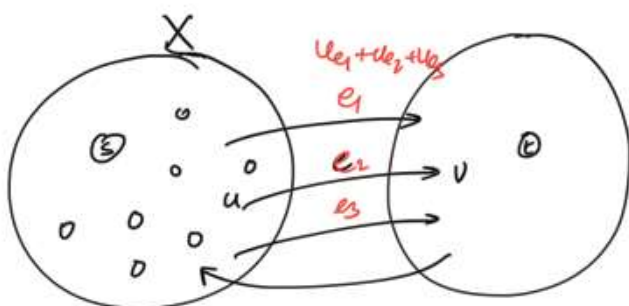
$e$  appears on the RHS for  $v$   
and on the LHS for  $w$ .

$$\sum_{e' \in \delta^-(w)} f_{e'} = \sum_{e' \in \delta^+(w)} f_{e'}$$



$e$  appears on the RHS for  $w$ .

Goal: To find a flow of maximum value



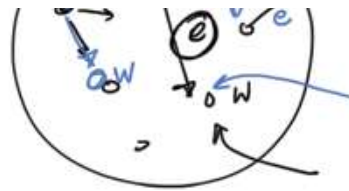
Defn: A cut  $s-t$  is a set of vertices  $X$  such that  $X$  contains  $s$  and does not contain  $t$ .

We say that  $e = (u, v)$  leaves  $X$  if  $u \in X, v \notin X$ .  
 $e = (u, v)$  enters  $X$  if  $u \notin X, v \in X$ .

$$\text{Capacity}(X) = \sum_{e \text{ leaving } X} u_e$$



Claim 1: max. flow from  $s$  to  $t$  = capacity( $X$ ). ||



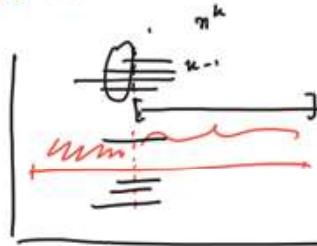
Pf: For every vertex  $v \in X, v \neq s$

$$\sum_{e \in \delta^-(v)} f_e = \sum_{e \in \delta^+(v)} f_e$$

Add all of the conditions

$$\sum_{e \in \delta^+(s)} f_e = \sum_{e \text{ going out of } X} f_e - \sum_{e \text{ coming into } X} f_e \leq \sum_{e \text{ going out of } X} u_e = \text{capacity}(X).$$

$\forall X$ : min  $\text{capacity}(X)$

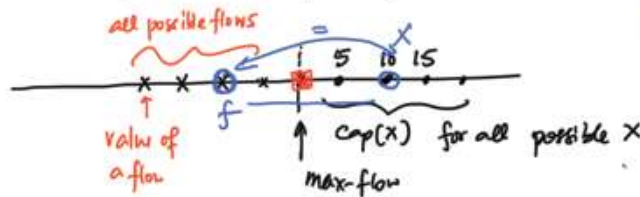


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75% post min 1.

Greedy, Graphs.

Every cut  $X$  gives us an upper bound on the max flow from  $s$  to  $t$ .



Suppose we find a flow  $f$  and an  $s$ - $t$  cut  $X$ .  
value of  $f$  =  $\text{cap}(X)$ .  
 $\Rightarrow f$  is max-flow &  $X$  is min cut.

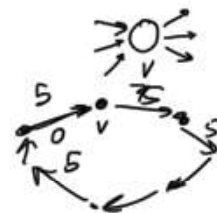
$$\text{max flow} \leq \min \text{cap}(X). \quad \therefore \text{is there equality here?}$$

$$= X: X \text{ is an } s\text{-}t\text{ cut}$$

Thm 1: max flow from  $s$  to  $t$  = min capacity of a cut. ||. ✓

Alg: start by building flow incrementally, and stop when its value = capacity of a cut.

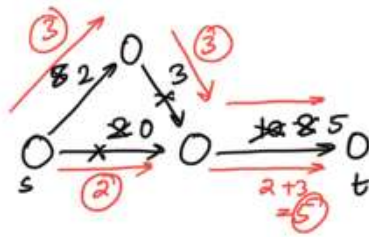
(i) start with  $f_e = 0$  on all edges. ✓



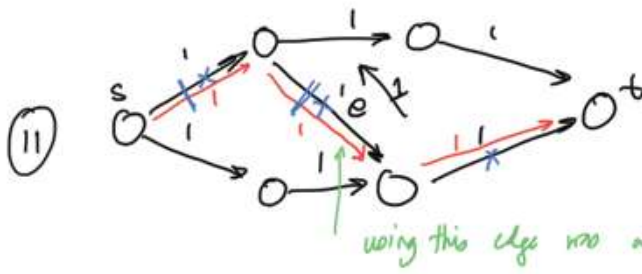
continue } - Find a path from  $s$  to  $t$ .  
P: let  $c$  be the min. capacity of an



edge in  $P$ . ~~Send~~ <sup>Increment</sup>  $c$  amount of flow on all edges in  $P$ .  
 update the capacity of every edge to  $u_e - f_e$ : remove edges of capacity 0.  
 residual capacity.



Is this going to find the maximum flow? NO

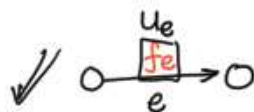


max flow = 2.

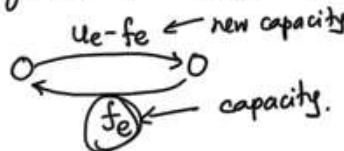
Modify the algorithm:

New Idea:

Allow the algorithm to "undo" a mistake.



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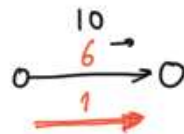


$G_f$

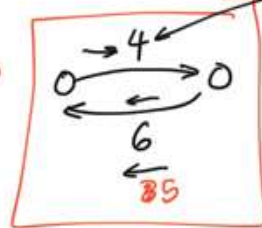
Residual graph. ✓

$G, \text{ flow } f$

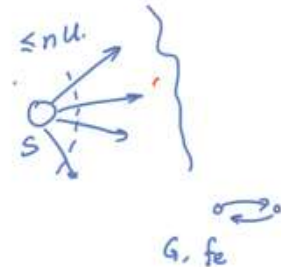
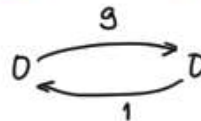
Ex:



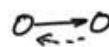
$G$ .



residual cap.



Initialize  $f=0$ ,  $G_f = G$



repeat:

$O(m+n)$  time

find a path  $P$  from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ .

let  $c$  be the smallest residual capacity of an edge in  $P$ .

Send  $c$  amount of flow along  $P$ .

update  $f$  in  $G$ , update  $G_f$ .

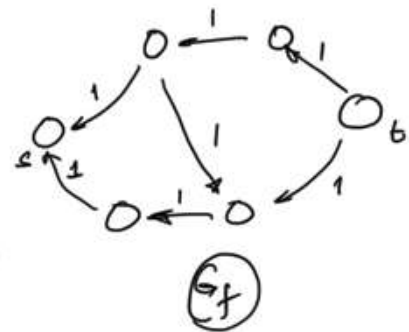
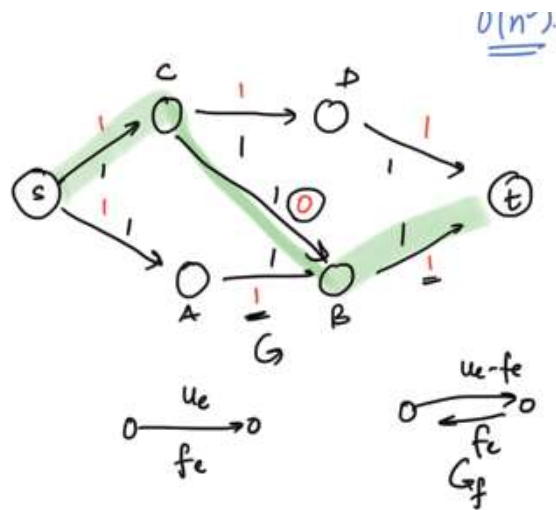
(i) Construct  $G_f$   $O(m+n)$

(ii)  $s-t$  in  $G_f$   $O(m+n)$

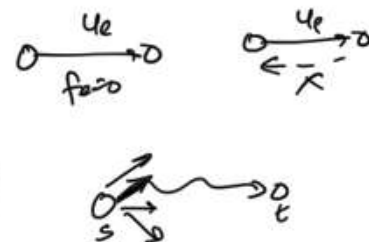
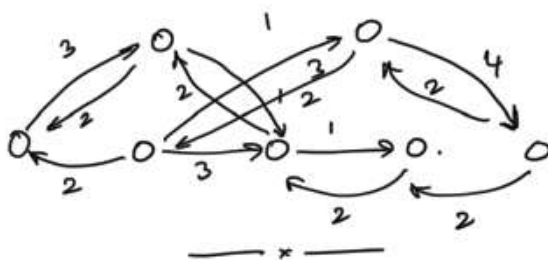
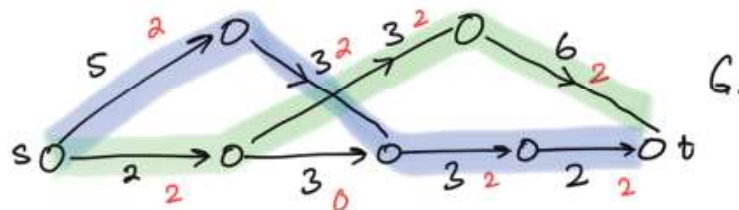
(iii)  $O(n)$

flow inc.  $0 - nU$   
 $\geq 1$  unit

$\Rightarrow \leq nU$  iterations. ✓



Another Example:

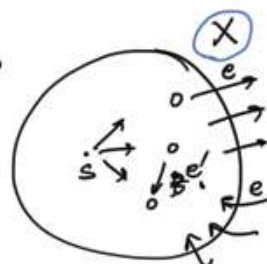


Whenever we find a path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ , we increase the flow from  $s$  to  $t$ .  
The process stops when there is no path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ .

Claim: If there is no path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ , then  $f$  is a max. flow.

Pf: (Last time we had shown)  
If  $f$  is any flow,

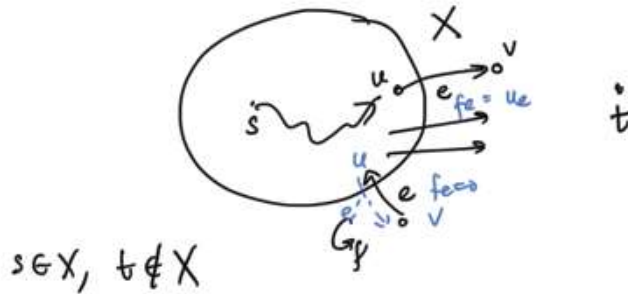
flow out of  $s$  = flow going out of  $X$  - flow coming into  $X$



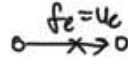
$$\text{value}(f) = \sum_{e \text{ leave } X} f_e - \sum_{e \text{ entering } X} f_e = \sum_{e \text{ leave } X} u_e = \text{cap}(X).$$

$X, f$   $\text{value}(f) = \text{cap}(X)$

Suppose there is no path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ .  
 Let  $X = \{v : \text{there is a path from } s \text{ to } v \text{ in } G_f\}$ .



(i) Let  $e$  be an edge leaving  $X$  : why isn't  $v$  also in  $X$ ?  
 $e$  cannot be present in  $G_f$ .  $f_e = u_e$



(ii)  $e$  enters  $X$  :  $e'$  be the reversal of  $e$ .  $e'$  is not present in  $G_f$  (else  $v \in X$ )  
 $f_{e'} = 0$

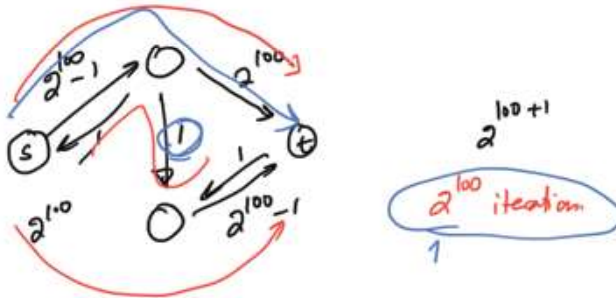
$f$  is a max flow &  $X$  is a min-cut  $\max \text{ flow} \leq nU$ .  
Ford-Fulkerson Alg.: Assume all capacities are integers,  $U$ : max. cap. of an edge.

|| In each iteration:  $\left. \begin{array}{l} - \text{from } G_f \quad O(m) \text{ time.} \\ - \text{increase the flow by } \geq 1 \text{ unit} \end{array} \right\} \leq nU \text{ iterations}$   
 $O(mnU) \text{ time.}$

$O(mnU)$   $2^{100}$  time.

Comment:

all cap. are integer,  $1, U$ .  
 (i) if  $U$  is large, then alg. can take lot of time.



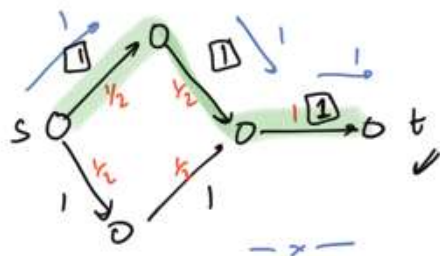
|| - Shortest path in  $G_f$  (use BFS) :  $O(mnU)$  time.  
 - find a path where the min. residual cap. is as large as possible

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possible.

$O(mn^2 \log U)$  time.

- (ii) If all capacities are integers, then the alg. always deals with integers.  
 $\Rightarrow$  the max flow found by the alg. sends integral amount of flow on each edge.

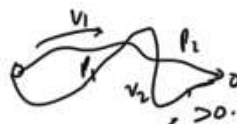
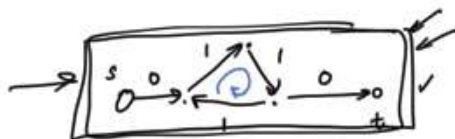


there is a max flow which only sends integer flows.

Integrality of Max-Flow.

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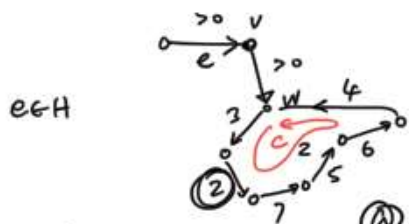
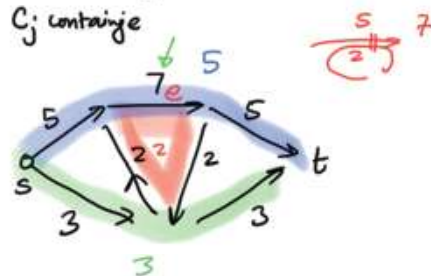
- (i) Max flow = Min. cut, alg. for finding these.  
 (ii) Integrality of max-flow: there is a max-flow which is integral.  
 (iii) How do we think of a flow? Can we think of a flow as consisting of flows along paths?



Then [Path decomposition of flow] Let  $f$  be any flow in  $G$ . Then we can find  $s$ - $t$  paths  $p_1, \dots, p_k$  and values  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  and cycles  $c_1, \dots, c_l$  and values  $w_1, \dots, w_l$  such that for every edge  $e$ ,

$$f_e = \sum_{p_i \text{ contains } e} v_i + \sum_{c_j \text{ contains } e} w_j \quad : k+l \leq m.$$

Pf:  $H$ : subgraph of  $G$  consisting of edges with  $f_e > 0$ .

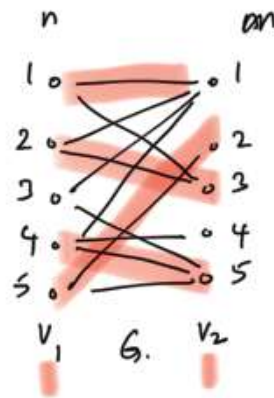
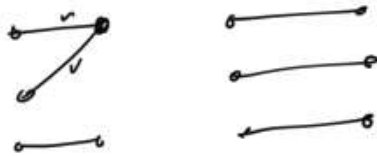




## Applications of Max flow:

### ① Bipartite Matching:

**Matching:** subset of edges which do not share a common vertex.



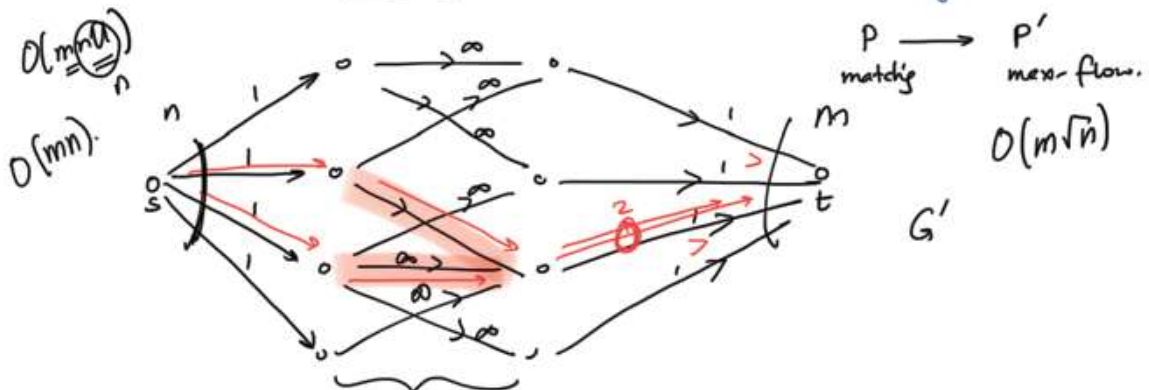
eg.  $V_1$ : set of student  
 $V_2$ : set of hostel rooms.

- Can we have a matching of size  $n$ ??

- What is the max. size of a matching?

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How do we use max flow to find maximum matching?

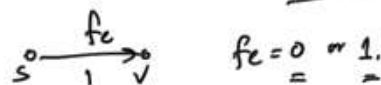


Thm: there is a flow of value  $k$  from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G'$  if and only if there is a matching of size  $k$  in  $G$ .

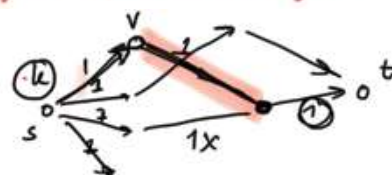
pf:  $(\Rightarrow)$  Suppose there is a matching of size  $k$  in  $G$ . : for every edge  $e = (u, v)$  in the matching, send 1 unit of flow along

$(\Leftarrow)$  Suppose there is a flow  $f$  of value  $k$  from  $s$  to  $t$ .

we can assume that  $f$  is integral



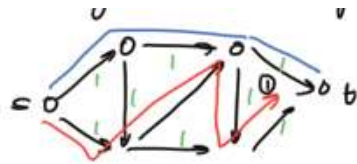
$P_e: s, u, v, t$   
All of these paths are disjoint.



Look at the edges between  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  which are carrying 1 unit of flow. There will be  $k$  such edges and they will form a matching.

### ② Disjoint paths: given a directed graph $G$ . We say that two paths





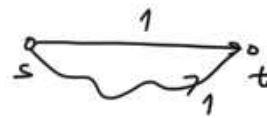
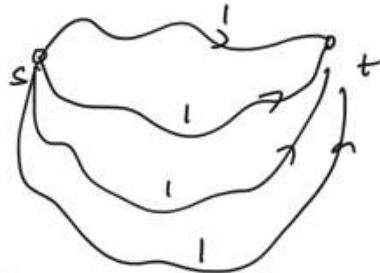
from  $s$  to  $t$  are "edge" disjoint if they do not share a common edge.

- we want to find the maximum no. of edge disjoint paths from  $s$  to  $t$ .

Place a capacity of 1 on every edge find max-flow from  $s$  to  $t$ .

Claim: there is a flow of value  $k$  from  $s$  to  $t$  if and only if there are  $k$  edge disjoint paths from  $s$  to  $t$ .

Pf: ( $\Leftarrow$ ) Suppose there are  $k$  edge-disjoint paths from  $s$  to  $t$ .



( $\Rightarrow$ ) Suppose there is a flow of value  $k$  from  $s$  to  $t$ . (follows from path decomposition).

(3) Application of min-cut:

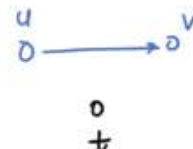
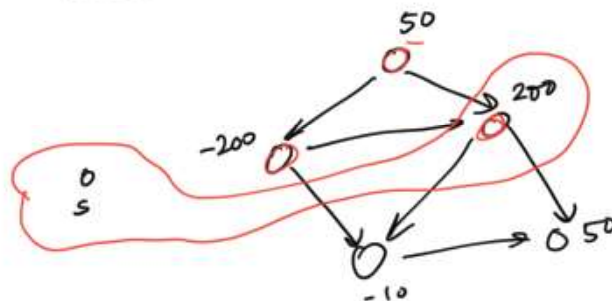
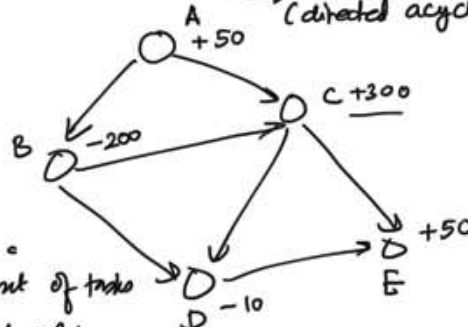
Project Selection Problem:

precedence constraint  
DAG: tasks (directed acyclic graph).

Every task either generates or costs money.

$v: p_v$

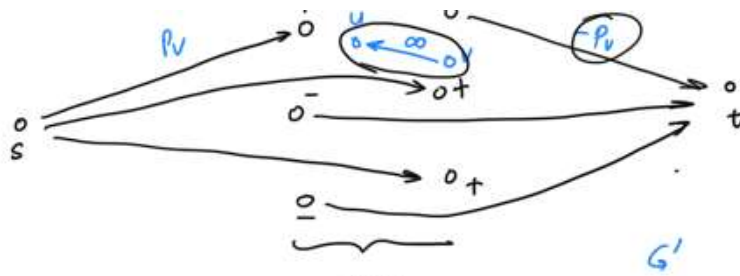
Q: we want to perform a subset of tasks such that the total profit is maximized.



Idea: Add a vertex  $s$ ,  $t$  min-cut:  
How do we ensure that the min-cut is valid??

if  $(u,v) \in G$

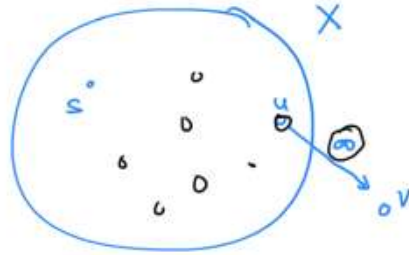
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then in  $G'$ , we add  $(v,u)$  with  $\infty$  capacity.

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Claim: find a min-cut of capacity  $s$  and  $t$ .

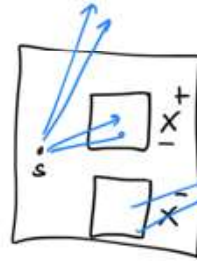
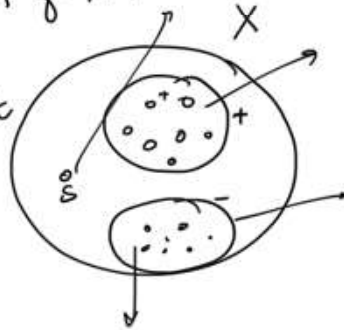
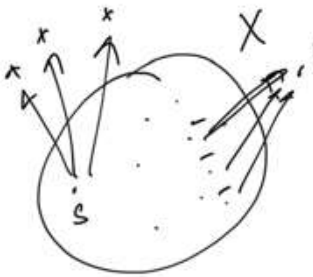


Let  $X$  be the min-cut.

$u \in X, v \rightarrow u$  in  $G$ .

if  $v \notin X$ , then  $(u,v)$  has cap.  $\infty$ . The cut  $X$  has  $\infty$  capacity.

Capacity of  $X$ ?



$V^+$ : vertices with +ve profit  
 $V^-$ : vertices with -ve profit

$$\text{cap}(X) = \sum_{v \in V^+ - X^+} P_v + \sum_{v \in X^-} (-P_v) \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \sum_{v \in V^+} P_v - \sum_{v \in X^+} P_v - \sum_{v \in X^-} P_v$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{v \in V^+} P_v \right] - \left[ \sum_{v \in X} P_v \right]$$

Fixed number. net profit of  $X$ .

Min of  $\text{cap}(X)$   $\equiv$  max profit of  $X$ .

$$a + b = C.$$

$$= \sum_{v \in V^+} P_v - \text{net profit of } X$$

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