

# Algorithms #8

## Problem 1.

Given a list  $r_1, r_2, r_3, \dots, r_m$ , each requirement  $r_i$  says you must take  $k_i$  courses from  $s_i$  (a set of classes).

and a list of classes a given student has taken, determine if the student can graduate.

Algorithm:

1. Build graph  $G$  in the following manner:

- $\Delta$  node for each requirement ( $r_i$ )
- $\Delta$  node for each class offered ( $c_i$ )
- $\Delta$  source node
- $\Delta$  sink node.

$$E = \{(S, r_i) \text{ st } c(S, r_i) = k_i \nabla r_i\} \cup \\ \{(c_i, T) \text{ st } c(c_i, T) = 1 \nabla c_i\} \cup \\ \{(r_i, c_i) \text{ st } c_i \in s_i \text{ and } c(r_i, c_i) = 1\}.$$

2. Run Ford-Fulkerson on graph  $G$  to determine Max Flow.

3. If max flow is equal to the number of classes required, then the student can graduate.

Proof of correctness.

First I will discuss why  $G$  is an accurate representation of the problem and then I am going to discuss why a student can graduate iff  $G$  has max flow  $F$  where  $F = \sum k_i$ .

This graph  $G$  represents the problem accurately due to the following reasons.

1. Setting the capacity from  $S$  to  $r_i \nabla r_i$  to  $k_i$  will ensure the fact that  $k_i$  classes are taken from  $r_i$ .

2. Having edges from  $r_i$  to  $c_i$  only if  $c_i \in L$  will make sure that we can

map classes that the student has taken

3. Making all edges  $(c_i, T)$  have  $c(c_i) = 1$  ensures that no given class was taken to fulfill two requirements.

Now I claim that student can graduate iff graph G has Max Flow F where  $F = \sum k_i$

$\Rightarrow$

If a student can graduate the graph G has Max Flow F.

If a student can graduate then he has completed L classes for which he has fulfilled all requirements without any overlaps. This means that every node  $R_i$  will be able to accept its full capacity and send it to  $c_i$ 's across the graph. Moreover, at most  $\sum k_i$  units of flow are going to reach all  $c_i$ 's and thus T will receive  $\sum k_i$  units of flow.

In other words if a student can graduate we can flow c units of flow through every edge  $(S, R_i)$ . Therefore, because this is limiting to the amount of flow that can be pushed on G, then the sum of the capacities of all edges  $(S, R_i)$  must be the maximum flow of the graph. Because these capacities were  $k_i$  then  $F = \sum k_i$ .

$\Leftarrow$  If graph G has flow F then a student can graduate.

If graph G has flow  $F = \sum k_i$  then it must be that we have maximized the capacity of all edges  $(S, R_i)$ . The only way to do so is to have sent 1 unit of flow from  $R_i$  to corresponding  $c_i$ 's where by construction there is not a unit of flow from both  $R_i \rightarrow c_i$  and  $R_j \rightarrow c_i$  if  $i \neq j$  (No overlapping classes). As  $c_i \rightarrow T$  has capacity 1. Because we maximized  $c(S, R_i) + R_i$  then it must be that the student also took  $k_i$  classes for  $r_i$ . Therefore the student can graduate.

So then  $\therefore$  this means that the algorithm will correctly determine if the student can graduate.

Running time.

The amount of nodes in the graph is  $n = |S| + |T| + |\text{r}_1 \text{ run}| + |\text{L}|$ .  
The amount of edges in the graph is  $m = |\text{r}_1| + |\text{r}_2| + \dots + |\text{r}_n| + |\text{L}|$ .

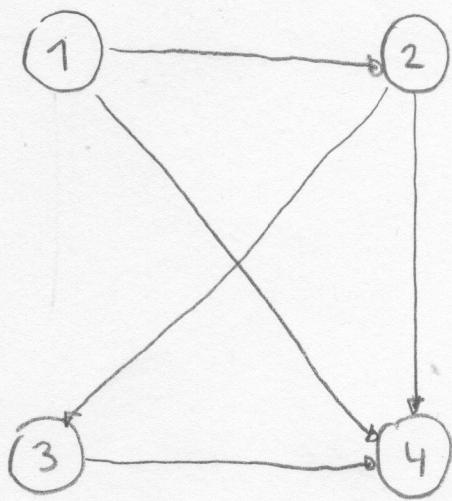
Therefore the running time of creating the graph is  $O(n+m)$

Then we need to run a version of Ford Fulkerson which we proved in class is  $O(nm)$ .

Therefore the entire algorithm is  $O(nm^2(n+m))$  which is polynomial.

### Problem 8

a)



The degree sequence is realizable.

**Problem 2 b)**  
 we are given a list of nodes and the outdegrees and indegrees of each node, want to know if the graph is realizable.

**Algorithm:**

1. Check if the sum of indegrees equals the sum of outdegrees. If it is not the graph is not realizable, quit.

2. Form a graph  $G$  the following way.

$v =$  A source node  
 $\Delta$  sink node

Two nodes for each node in the degree sequence.  $v_i$  and  $v'_i$

$$E = \{(s, v_i) \text{ st } c(s, v_i) = \text{outdegree}(i)\} \cup$$

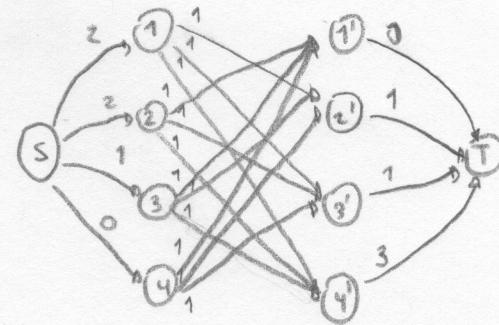
$$\{(v_i, v_j') \text{ st } j \neq i \text{ st } c(v_i, v_j') = 1\} \cup$$

$$\{(v_j', t) \text{ st } v_j \text{ st } c(v_j', t) = \text{indegree}(j)\}$$

for example for

graph

Node	out	in
1	2	0
2	2	1
3	1	1
4	0	3



3. Use Ford Fulkerson to determine Max Flow  $F$  of  $G$ .

4. If  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i)$  then the graph with such degree sequence is realizable.

5. It is build graph  $G'$  where  $(i, j) \in E$  if  $(v_i, v_j')$  has a unit of flow flowing through it in  $G$  when flow is maximal.

**Proof of correctness**

First I will discuss why  $G'$  is an accurate representation of the problem and then I am going to claim that the degree sequence is realizable iff  $G$  has a max flow  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i)$

We are told to not allow multiedges or cycles so the graph does this by construction by having only 1 edge from a given node  $v_i$  to a node  $v_j$  where  $c(v_i, v_j) = 1$  and  $i \neq j$ . The fact that we don't have edges  $(v_i, v_j)$  where  $i = j$  avoids self loops.

Now I claim that the degree sequence is realizable iff  $G$  has max flow  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i)$

$\Rightarrow$  If a sequence is realizable then  $G$  has max flow  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i)$

If a sequence is realizable this means that  $\exists$  graph  $G'$  where for a particular node  $v_i$  it has indegree =  $d_{in}(v_i)$  and outdegree =  $d_{out}(v_i)$ .

If this is the case then we can think of graph  $G$  as having all these edges have capacity 1 and all other edges having capacity 0. Then it is clear that the max flow across this cut is the number of edges in graph  $G'$  (the realizable graph) which in turn is equal to the sum of outdegrees = sum of indegrees. Now because  $\sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i) = \text{sum of outdegrees}$  is the maximum capacity that can be flowed to all nodes  $v_i$ , then it is the case that if we have a realizable graph we have maximized all of these capacities and thus no more flow is possible, meaning  $G$  has max flow  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i) = \text{sum of outdegrees}$ .

$\Leftarrow$  if  $G$  has max flow  $F = \sum_{v_i} c(s, v_i)$  then the degree sequence is realizable.

If  $G$  has a max flow  $F$  then it means that the max flow across the cut  $G \setminus s = F$  which is the sum of the capacities of edges  $(s, v_i)$ . Moreover it must also be that the max flow across the cut  $G \setminus t = F$ , which is the sum of the capacities of edges  $(v_j, s)$ . Therefore there must be a way of flowing  $F$  flow in 1 units across edges  $(v_i, v_j)$  conserving  $\sum f_{in}(v_i) - \sum f_{out}(v_i) = 0$ . So there must be a realizable graph based on capacities

at the  $(s, v_i)$  edges and  $(v_j', t)$  edges which by construction is the degree sequence. Thus the degree sequence is realizable.

Altogether the algorithm will determine correctly if a degree sequence is realizable.

Furthermore it follows from ( $\Leftarrow$ ) direction above that after flowing  $F$  flow through  $G$ , it is clear that those edges  $(v_i, v_j')$  with flow 1 are the edges  $(i, j)$  in  $G'$ , the realizable graph.

running time.

It is clear that the time that it takes us to create the graph is proportional to  $n$  and  $m$  that is,  $O(m+n)$ .

Then running Ford Fulkerson takes time  $O(nm)$

and constructing the graph  $G'$  takes time  $O(m)$ , to find all the edges  $(v_i, v_j')$  st the flow on the edge is 1 unit.

Altogether this algorithm solves in poly time if a degree sequence is realizable and moreover, if it is, it returns graph  $G'$ .

### Problem 3 a)

Algorithm.

1. Make graph  $G'$  such that

$$V' = V \cup S' \cup T'$$

$$E' = E \cup \{(s, v_i) \text{ st } d_{vi} < 0 \text{ and } c(s, v_i) = -d_{vi}\} \cup \\ \{(v_i, t) \text{ st } d_{vi} > 0 \text{ and } c(v_i, t) = d_{vi}\}.$$

2. Use Ford Fulherson to find the max flow  $F$  of  $G'$ .

3. If  $F = \sum d_{vi}$   $\mid d_{vi} > 0$  then  $G$  has a circulation.

Proof of correctness.

let  $S$  be the set of nodes  $s_i$  st  $d_{vi} < 0$   
let  $T$  be the set of nodes  $t_i$  st  $d_{vi} > 0$

Proposition in order for  $G$  to have a feasible circulation we must have that

$$\sum_{s \in S} -d_{si} = \sum_{t \in T} d_{ti} = F.$$

And then the original graph  $G$  has a circulation iff  $G'$  has a max flow

$F$ .

$\Rightarrow$  if  $G$  has a circulation then  $G'$  has a max flow  $F$

$\Rightarrow$  if  $G$  has a circulation then it means that we are able to send  $-d_{si}$  units of flow along every edge  $(s_i, s_i)$  and  $d_{ti}$  units of flow along every edge  $(t_i, t_i)$  on  $G'$  because it must be that if  $s_i$  the graph  $G'$  was capable of supplying  $-d_{si}$  units of flow through the graph and  $t_i$  received an additional  $d_{ti}$  units of flow. So because there is a circulation in  $G$ , the max flow from  $S'$  to  $T'$  is  $F = \sum_{s \in S} -d_{si} = \sum_{t \in T} d_{ti}$

$\Leftarrow$  if  $G'$  has a max flow  $F$  then  $G$  has a circulation

if  $G'$  has a maximum flow  $F$  then we must have maximized the capacities of all edges  $(s_i, s_i)$  and  $(t_i, t_i)$  so it must be that if we remove these edges  $G$  was able to circulate the flow through the graph

So it is clear that  $G$  has a circulation iff  $G'$  has flow  $F = \sum_{i \in T} d_{ti} - \sum_{i \in S} d_{si}$

and it must be that if  $G$  has a circulation then  $\sum_{i \in S} d_{si} = \sum_{i \in T} d_{ti}$ .  
Therefore our algorithm will correctly say if  $G$  has a circulation.

### Running Time

It is clear that the construction of  $G'$  take  $O(n)$  to iterate over all nodes and makes at most  $O(n)$  new edges.

so FF will take at most  $O(n'm')$  time to run where  $n' = O(n)$  and  $m' = O(m+n)$ . Therefore this algorithm is polytime.

b)

Algorithm.

1. Construct graph  $G'$  st  $\ell'(e) = 0$   $c'(e) = c(e) - \ell(e)$  and  $d'v_i = d_{v_i} - M_{v_i}$  where  $M_{v_i} = \sum_{v_j} \ell(v_i, v_j) - \sum_{v_j} \ell(v_j, v_i)$ .

2. Run the algorithm of part a on  $G'$ . Answer as it would.

Proof of correctness.

Need to show that  $G'$  is an accurate representation of  $G$ , if it is then if  $G'$  has a circulation then  $G$  does as well

What happens if we push  $\ell(e) = \ell(e)$  on every edge? Then the remaining capacity  $c'(e) = c(e) - \ell(e) = c(e) - \ell(e)$  left in the edge.

The problem of pushing  $\ell(e)$  on each edge is that the demand on each node  $v_i$  is then  $\sum_{v_j} \ell(v_i, v_j) - \sum_{v_j} \ell(v_j, v_i) = M_{v_i}$  it could be that  $M_{v_i} \neq d_{v_i}$  thus  $f_0$  is not a valid circulation. But this means that the remaining demand on every node is in fact  $d_{v_i} - M_{v_i}$

So by pushing  $\ell(e)$  we have fulfilled the lower bound on every edge!

so if we now have  $G'$  where  $c'(e) = c(e) - \ell(e)$  and  $d'v_i = d_{v_i} - M_{v_i}$  we have a graph  $G'$  with NO lower bounds (i.e.  $\ell(e) = 0$  for all edges) so we can just run the algorithm of part a on  $G'$  to see if there is a circulation on  $G$ .

Running Time.

(Clearly the construction of  $G'$  takes time  $O(n+m)$  and we know solving 2. take polytime. therefore this algorithm is polytime.