

CS473 Algorithms, Lecture 9 (2024-02-13)

- logistics - - psat 3 due Fri
 - exam 1 02-26
 - review det
 last lecture = flows - cuts
 - Max flow \leq min cut
 - \leftarrow \rightarrow iff G^f no s \rightarrow t path
 - \leftarrow \rightarrow iff FF circ
 - \leftarrow \rightarrow for integral capacities

today = flows
 reading = KT 7-3

Q: \exists circ? \exists comp via max flow?

idea = repeated augment flow, via augmenting paths in residual graphs

- algo = (Ford-Fulkerson):
 - $f \in \mathbb{R}, c \in \mathbb{R}$ \mathbb{R} mit w/ zero flow
 - mit G^f \mathbb{R} residual graph
 - while exists augmenting path p in G^f
 - $f \leftarrow f + p$
 - $G^f \leftarrow G^{f+p}$
 - return f

prop = any flow f , $|f| \leq \sum_e c_e = F$
 prop: Ford Fulkerson takes $O(F)$ iterations \mathbb{R} increase flow > 0 each iteration
 $O(MF)$ time \mathbb{R} integrality $\Rightarrow \geq 1$
 \mathbb{R} limit by $|F|$
 \mathbb{R} min p -iteration

def: (S, T) cut C is partition $V = S \cup T$
 capacity $|C| = \sum_{e: u \rightarrow v} c_e$

def: f flow, $S \subseteq V$, flow through S is $f(S) = f^{out}(S) - f^{in}(S)$
 prop: $f(S, T)$ flow, $C = (S, T)$ (S, T) -cut then
 $|f| = f(S) = \sum_{v \in S} f(v) = f(S) = f^{out}(S) - f^{in}(S) = |C|$
 $\leq |C|$ $\mathbb{R} f_e \in C$

$\Rightarrow \max_f |f| \leq \min_C |C|$

Q: \leftarrow \rightarrow ? \mathbb{R} mathematically interesting
 \mathbb{R} algo application

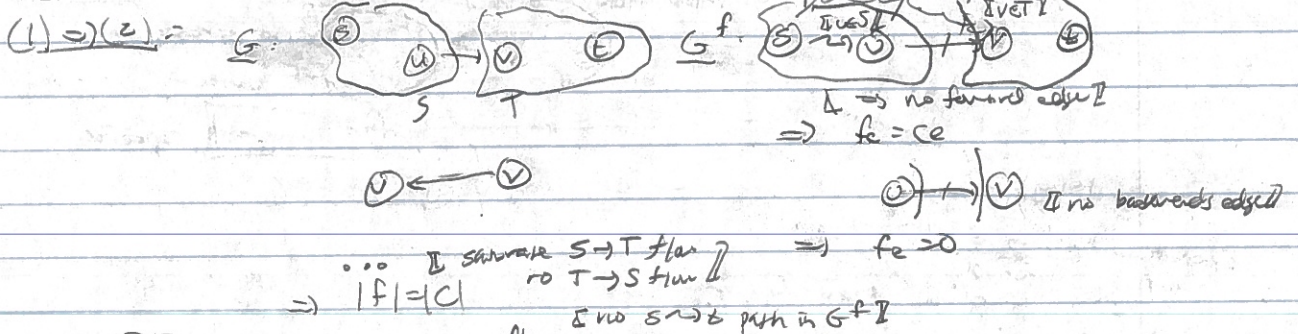
prop = f flow in G . $S = \{u : s \rightarrow u \text{ in } G^f\}$. equiv:

- G^f has no $s \rightarrow t$ path
- $C = (S, V \setminus S)$ is (S, T) -cut $\wedge |C| = |f|$
- f is max flow

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sketch = $\neg(1) \Rightarrow \neg(3) : |f+p| \geq |f|$

(2) \Rightarrow (3) = $\max |f| \leq \min |C| \Rightarrow$ [F] equality then both opt

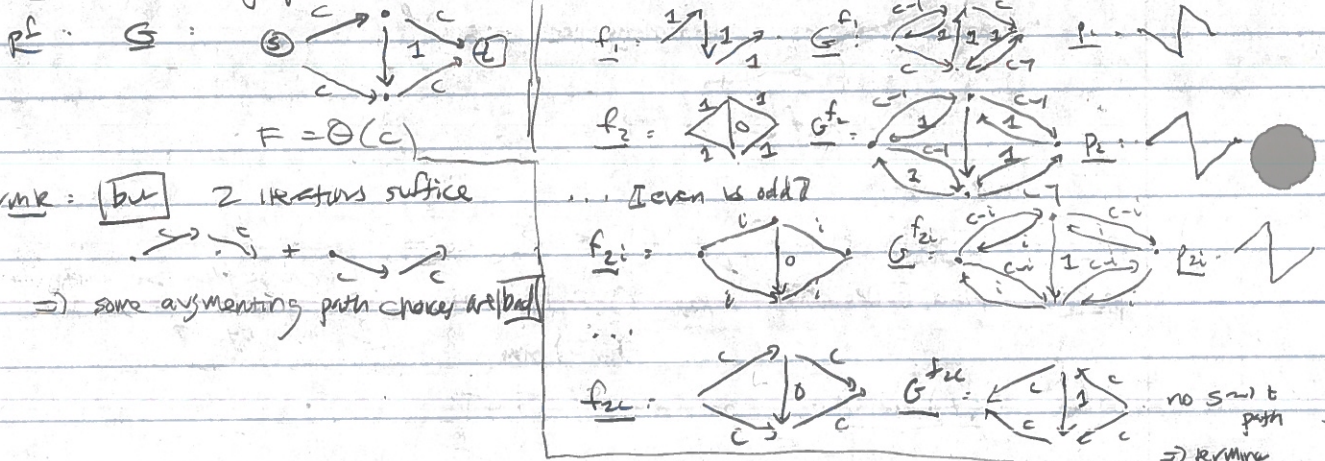


cor: FF terminates w/ Max flow

thm [max flow min cut]: G w/ (integral) capacities, $\max_{f(S,T) \text{ flow}} |A| = \min_{C(S,T) \text{ cut}} |C|$

Q: are we done?

ans: exists graphs where FF takes $\Omega(C)$ iterations



def: for problem on n integers a_1, \dots, a_n , algo is polynomial time if it runs in $\text{poly}(\sum \log a_i)$ time

\Rightarrow unspecific poly
 $\Rightarrow a_i$ in binary
 $\Rightarrow a_i$ in unary

pseudo: $\text{poly}(\sum a_i)$ time
 \Rightarrow unars, 128 \Rightarrow binary \Rightarrow 10000000 vs 10000000

mk: often pseudo poly not efficient
 - sometimes pseudo poly can be reasonable
 - knapsack DP was pseudo poly \Rightarrow and min cut

cor: max flow was pseudo poly time algo

Q: polynomial?
 \Rightarrow FF good if small cut

pre: given f flow in G , w/ $|f| \geq |f^*| - B$, can find max flow in $O(nB)$ time

sketch: run FF starting w/ f , only $\leq B$ iterations needed

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note: f^* vs OPT

car: max flow in $O(m \cdot |f^*|)$ time

rank: many natural problems have $|f^*| \leq poly(m, m)$ \Rightarrow next bound \Rightarrow poly time \Rightarrow

Q: polytime algo in general?

idea: find good augmenting paths \rightarrow large value

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- Σ FF allows many choices Σ
- Σ many choices possible Σ
- Σ saw example of bad choice Σ

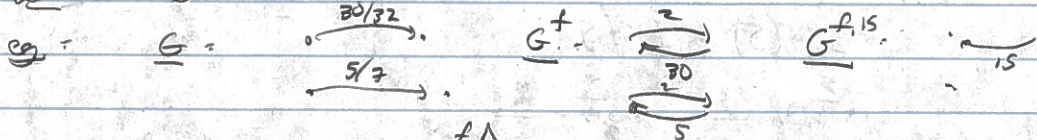
idea: reduce to

def: f flow in G , $\Delta \in \mathbb{N}$ $\neq 0$ $\neq 2$ \neq modify G^f the Δ -residual residual graph $G^{f, \Delta}$
 $V^{f, \Delta} = V$

$E^{f, \Delta} = \{e \in E^f, (c_e^f) \geq \Delta\}$ Σ discard small edges Σ

$(c_e^{f, \Delta}) = (c_e^f)$ for $e \in E^{f, \Delta}$
 Σ integral capacities Σ

lem: $G^{f, 1} = G^f$



prop: $s \rightarrow t$ paths in $G^{f, \Delta}$

- are $s \rightarrow t$ paths in G^f

- are augmenting paths p w/ $|p| \geq \Delta$

$\Sigma E^{f, \Delta} \subseteq E^f$

Σ so can use for FF

Σ all edges residual capacity $\geq \Delta$

Q: what is Δ ?

idea [scaling] - start with large Δ , make smaller over time

algo (scaling FF):

- init f, G^f Σ as before Σ based on max flow

- $F = \sum_e c_e$

- $\Delta = 2^{\lfloor \lg F \rfloor}$

- init $G^{f, \Delta}$

- while $\Delta \geq 1$

- while $s \rightarrow t$ path p in $G^{f, \Delta}$

- $f \leftarrow f + \Delta p$

- update $G^f, G^{f, \Delta}$

- $\Delta \leftarrow \Delta/2$

- return f

prop: scaling FF terminates w/ max flow

sketch: scaling FF insinuates FF w/ rule for choosing "good" augmenting path

eventually $\Delta = 1 \Rightarrow$ all augmenting paths considered in $G^{f, 1} = G^f$

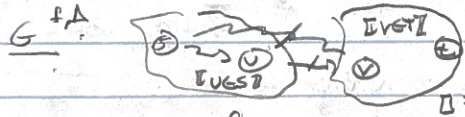
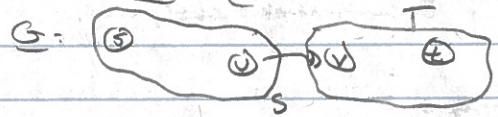
\Rightarrow any run of scaling-FF [is] run of FF \leftarrow terminates w/ max flow

Q: complexity?

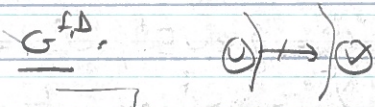
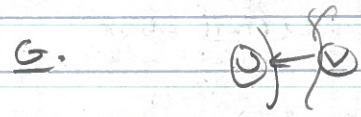
idea: use max-flow = min-cut

prop: f flow in G . $G^{f, \Delta}$ no $s \rightarrow t$ path $\Rightarrow |f| \geq |f^*| - m(\Delta - 1)$
 repeat max-flow = min cut proof
 sketch: $S = \{u: s \rightarrow u \text{ in } G^{f, \Delta}\}$

aim: $(S, T = V \setminus S)$ is (s, t) -cut
 $\mathbb{I} \Rightarrow$ yes, cut \mathbb{I}
 $\mathbb{I} \Rightarrow$ no forward edge \mathbb{I}



$\Rightarrow (c_f/e < \Delta \Rightarrow f_e \geq c_e - (\Delta - 1))$
 $c_e = f_e$



$\mathbb{I} \Rightarrow$ no backward edge \mathbb{I}

$\Rightarrow |f| = f(s) = f(S)$
 $= f^{out}(S) - f^{in}(S)$

$= \sum_{e: s \rightarrow v} f_e - \sum_{e: u \rightarrow s} f_e$
 $\geq c_e - (\Delta - 1) \quad \geq \Delta - 1$
 $\geq \sum_{e: s \rightarrow v} c_e - \sum_{e: u \rightarrow s} (\Delta - 1)$ (all m edges)
 $= m(\Delta - 1)$
 $= |C(S, T)| \geq |f^*|$

aim: f flow in G . no $s \rightarrow t$ path in $G^{f, 2\Delta} \Rightarrow$ my sequence of $(\geq \Delta)$ -value augmentations
 pf: no $s \rightarrow t$ path in $G^{f, 2\Delta} \Rightarrow |f| \geq |f^*| - 2m\Delta$ (if no $\leq 2m$ paths)

each $(\geq \Delta)$ value augmentation adds $\geq \Delta$ flow

$\Rightarrow k$ augmentations add $\geq k\Delta$ flow and $|f| + k\Delta \leq |f^*| \leq |f| + 2m\Delta$
 $\Rightarrow k \leq 2m$

con: scaling FF runs in $O(m^2 \log F)$ time

pf: algo: $\Delta = 2^{\lfloor \log F \rfloor}$
 while $\Delta \geq 1$
 while $s \rightarrow t$ path in $G^{f, \Delta}$
 augment
 $\Delta \leftarrow \Delta/2$

$O(\log F)$ iterations
 $O(m)$ work per iteration

aim: $O(m)$ augmentations per round

pf: $\Delta = 2^{\lfloor \log F \rfloor}$ first round
 $2\Delta > F \geq c_e$ no edges in $G^{f, 2\Delta} \Rightarrow$ no $s \rightarrow t$ path in $G^{f, 2\Delta} \Rightarrow \leq 2m$ augmentations in $G^{f, \Delta}$
 $\Delta = 2^i$ end of i th round: no $s \rightarrow t$ path in $G^{f, 2\Delta}$
 $\Rightarrow \leq 2m$ further augmentations in $G^{f, \Delta} \Rightarrow \geq \Delta$ in value

today: flow - FF pseudo poly
 - $\log F$ augmenting paths
 - scaling FF polytime \mathbb{I} large value paths \mathbb{I}

reading: KT 7-3

next lecture: flow

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