

CS473 Algorithms: Lecture 16

- logistics: - post due W10  
 - max capacity augmenting paths  
 best min: → efficient flow algo  
 - applications of flow alg  
 today:

		$\sum_e c(e)$	
Summary:	Ford Fulkerson	$O(m^4)$	II pseudo poly II
	max capacity augmenting path	$O(m^2 \lg^2 C)$	II weekly poly II
	shortest augmenting path	$O(m^3)$	II strongly poly II
		$O(nm)$	[Orlin 13]

Prop:  $C: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  integral capacities

$\Rightarrow |f^*| = \max |f| \in \mathbb{Z}$

exists  $f^*: E \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  II some max flow is integral II

Prop:  $C: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

II other max flow may not be II  
 II we also find integral max flow  $\Rightarrow$  also proof II

given any  $f^*: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  can find min cut  $V = S \cup T$  in  $O(m)$  time

II we can sketch max on path II

Q: what other problems can we solve?

idea: reduce other problems to max flow / min cut.

ex: does graph  $G=(V,E)$  have property P  $\iff$  is max flow in  $G'=(V',E')$  at least  $K$ ?

def: A multi source/sink network is a <sup>directed</sup> graph  $G=(V,E)$  with sources  $S \subseteq V$ , sinks  $T \subseteq V$  and  $S \cap T = \emptyset$ , capacities  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

A flow is  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  st - capacity constraints:  $\forall e \in E \quad 0 \leq f(e) \leq c(e)$

- conservation constraints:  $\forall v \notin S \cup T \quad f(v) = 0$

- value =  $\sum_{s \in S} f(s)$   $f_{out}(V) = f_{in}(V)$

A cut is partition  $V = \overset{S'}{\underset{S}{\cup}} \overset{T'}{\underset{T}{\cup}}$  w/ capacity  $c(S', T') = \sum_{u \in S', v \in T'} c(u, v)$

Q: compute max flow? min cut? II could clearly redo the entire theory II

idea: reduce to single source networks

reduction: given  $G=(V,E)$  capacities  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

sources  $s_1, \dots, s_k \in V$  sinks  $t_1, \dots, t_l \in V$

construct  $G'=(V', E')$  capacities  $c': E' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

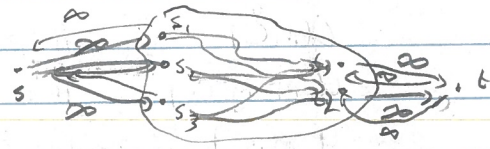
$V' = V \cup \{s, t\}$

$E' = E \cup \{(s, s_i), (s_i, s)\} \cup \{(t, t_j), (t_j, t)\}$

$$c'(e) = \begin{cases} c(e) & \text{if } e \in E \\ \infty & e \in \{(s_i, s_i), (s_i, s), (t_j, t), (t, t_j)\} \end{cases}$$

$\infty = 1 + \sum_{e \in E} c(e)$

$\infty$  could change also to explicitly handle  $\infty \mathbb{Z}$



I get maximum value and flow with  $\mathbb{Z}$

lem - flow  $f$  in  $G \leftrightarrow$  flow  $f'$  in  $G' \leftrightarrow$

- $|f'| = |f|$
- $f'$  computable in  $O(m)$  time
- $|f| = |f'|$
- $f$  computable in  $O(m)$  time

pf:  $f \leftrightarrow f'$ :  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  want  $f': E' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

$$f'(e) = \begin{cases} f(e) & e \in E \\ f^{out}(s_i) & e = (s_i, s_i) \\ f^{in}(s_i) & e = (s_i, s) \\ f^{in}(t_j) & e = (t_j, t) \\ f^{out}(t_j) & e = (t, t_j) \end{cases}$$

capacity constraints:  $e \in E \Rightarrow 0 \leq f'(e) \leq c(e) = c'(e)$

$e = (s_i, s_i) \Rightarrow 0 \leq f^{out}(s_i) \leq \sum_{e \in E} c(e) < \infty$

$e = (s_i, s) \Rightarrow 0 \leq f^{in}(s_i) \leq \sum_{e \in E} c(e) < \infty$

same for  $(t_j, t), (t, t_j)$

conservation:  $\forall v \in \{s, t\} \cup \{s_i\} \cup \{t_j\}$ ,  $f'(v) = f(v) = 0$

$v = s_i$ :  $f'(s_i) = f^{out}(s_i) - f^{in}(s_i) + f^{in}(s_i) - f^{out}(s_i) = 0$

$v = t_j$ : same

value:  $f'(s) = (f')^{out}(s) - (f')^{in}(s) = \sum_i (f^{out}(s_i) - f^{in}(s_i)) = |f|$

$O(m)$  time = clear

$f' \rightarrow f$ : have  $f': E' \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$   
 want  $f: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

define  $f(e) = f'(e)$  as  $E \subseteq E'$

efficiency = clear  
capacity = clear, as  $E \subseteq E'$

conservation = clear, as  $V \setminus \{s, t\} \subseteq V' \setminus \{s, t, s_i, t_j\}$

value:  $f'(s) + \sum_i f'(s_i) = \sum_i (f^{out}(s_i) - f^{in}(s_i)) + \sum_i (f^{out}(s_i) + f^{in}(s_i))$

$= \sum_i f^{out}(s_i) - f^{in}(s_i) = |f| - (f^{in}(s) + f^{out}(s))$

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$= |f|$

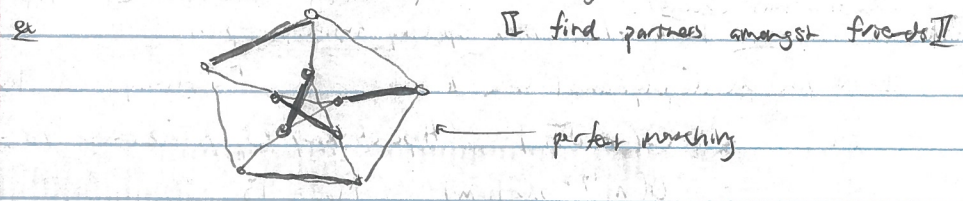
non  
 have

rmk: - may not have " $f'(s \rightarrow s_i) = f^{out}(s_i)$ " "intended  $f'$ "  
 -  $f \mapsto f'$  is injective map, not surjective

Cor: multi source/sink max flow in  $G$  in  $O(mn)$  time  
Pf: construct single source network  $G'$  -  $O(n)$  vertices  
 -  $O(m+n)$  edges  
 compute max flow  $(f')^*$  in  $G'$  ←  $O(mn)$  time via Orlin  
 compute corresponding flow  $f^*$  in  $G$  ←  $O(n)$   
 ↳ is max flow

rmk: can also show correspondence for min cut. [I do not get exact correspondence in cut values as vertex/edges are different, and have no edges, have sinks for min cut]

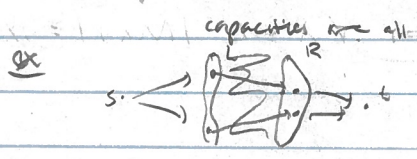
def:  $G = (V, E)$  undirected. A matching  $M \subseteq E$  is so  $\forall v \in V$   $v$  is incident to at most one edge in  $M$ .  $M$  is perfect if all  $v$  incident to edge in  $M$ .



Q: given  $G$  compute maximum matching? if  $G$  bipartite? [we assume bipartition is given to us, but can also find it efficiently]

idea: reduce to max flow  $= (L \cup R, E \subseteq L \times R)$  [using even/odd distinguish the vertex  $v$ ]

construction: given  $G = (L \cup R, E)$  undirected  
 define  $G' = (V', E')$  directed  
 $V' = L \cup R \cup \{s, t\}$   $E' = \{(u, v) : (u, v) \in E\} \cup \{(s, u) : u \in L\} \cup \{(v, t) : v \in R\}$



Prop: size  $k$  matching in  $G \mapsto$  flow value  $k$  in  $G'$

Pf:  $M = \{(u_i, v_i), \dots, (u_k, v_k)\}$   
 $f(e) = \begin{cases} 1 & e \in M \\ 1 & e = (s, u_i) \\ 1 & e = (v_j, t) \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

capacity: clear [each  $v_i$  has  $\leq 1$  edges]  
 conservation:  $s \rightarrow (u_i) \rightarrow (v_j) \rightarrow t$   
 value  $|f| = |M|$  net flow zero

Prop: integral flow value  $k$  in  $G' \mapsto$  size  $k$  matching

Pf:  $f: E' \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  ←  $O(m)$  time  
 define  $M = \{e \in E' : f(e) = 1\}$  ←  $O(m)$  time  
Claim:  $|M| = k$   
Pf: cut  $S = \{s\} \cup L$   $T = R \cup \{t\}$   $f(S, T) = \overbrace{f(S \rightarrow T)} - \overbrace{f(T \rightarrow S)} = 0$   
 $k = |f|$  # edges  $L \rightarrow R$  w/ flow 1  
 ↳ capacities 1 flow integral

[no edges  $T \rightarrow S$ ]

Claim =  $M$  matching  $\rightarrow \Leftrightarrow$

PF:  $v_i \in L \quad (f^*)^{out}(v_i) = \{ \# \text{ edges in } M \text{ incident to } v_i \}$   
 $(f^*)^{in}(v_i) \leq c(s, v_i) = 1$

$v_j \in R$  same.

Cor: max matching in  $G \rightarrow$  max flow in  $G'$   $O(mn)$  time

PF:  $\leq$  integrality of max flow

Cor: max matching in bipartite graphs in  $O(mn)$  time

PF:  $G=(L \cup R, E) \rightarrow G'=(V, E')$   $O(n)$  vertices,  $O(m+n)$  edges

solve max flow, recover matching in  $O(m)$  time  $C = \sum_{e \in E} c(e) \leq O(m+n)$

Ford-Fulkerson  $O(m|f^*|) \leq O(mn)$

- integrality of max flow was crucial.

mk: - Ford-Fulkerson is better than than max capacity augmenting path  $|f^*| \leq n = |L| = |R|$

$\mathbb{I}$  despite pseudo-polynomial time  $\mathbb{I}$

$\leftarrow$  always  $\mathbb{I}$  here!

- best known algo  $O(m\sqrt{n})$  Hopcroft-Karp 73, Karzbandov 73
- $O(m^{1/2} \text{ poly}(m))$  Madry 13

- maximum matchings in general graphs

- "cannot" be reduced to max flow

- augmenting paths still used

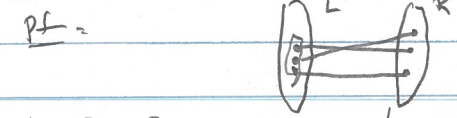
- best known  $O(m\sqrt{n})$  [Micali Vazirani 80]

$\mathbb{I}$  per-graph  $\mathbb{I}$

- 3-tuple hypergraph matching is NP-hard

set of neighbors  $\leftarrow$

lem:  $G=(L \cup R, E)$  has perfect matching  $\Rightarrow \forall X \subseteq L \quad |N(X)| \geq |X|$



Thm [Hall]:  $\mathbb{I} \forall X \quad |N(X)| \geq |X| \Rightarrow$  perfect matching

PF: create flow network  $G' \Rightarrow$  min cut in  $G'$  size  $= n$   
 $=$  max flow  
 $=$  max matching

$\mathbb{I}$  instantiates, max flow  $\approx$  mincut  $\mathbb{I}$

logics: - post-6 due w/10

today: - applications of max flow algo - multi-source/sink - maximum matching

next time: - max advanced applications