

## Homework 5

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**Instructions.** You may work in groups, but you must write solutions yourself. List collaborators on your submission.

If you are asked to design an algorithm, please provide: (a) the pseudocode or precise description in words of the algorithm, (b) an explanation of the intuition for the algorithm, (c) a proof of correctness, (d) the running time of your algorithm and (e) justification for your running time analysis.

**Submissions.** Please submit a PDF file. You may submit a scanned handwritten document, but a typed submission is preferred. Please assign pages to questions in Gradescope.

1. **(10 points) Flows and Cuts.** Figure 1 shows a flow network on which an  $(s, t)$  flow has been computed. The capacity of each edge appears as a label next to the edge, and the numbers in boxes give the amount of flow sent on each edge. (Edges without boxed numbers specifically, the four edges of capacity=3 have no flow being sent on them.)

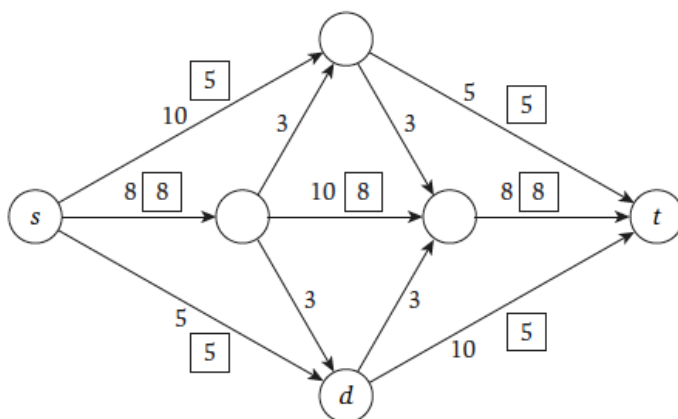


Figure 1: Flows and Cuts

- (a) What is the value of this flow? Is this a maximum  $(s, t)$  flow in this graph?
- (b) Find a minimum  $(s, t)$  cut in the flow network pictured in Figure 1, and also say what its capacity is.
2. **(10 points) K&T Ch7 Ex4.** Decide whether you think the following statement is true or false. If it is true, give a short explanation. If it is false, give a counterexample.
- (a) Let  $G$  be an arbitrary flow network, with a source  $s$ , a sink  $t$ , and a positive integer capacity  $c_e$  on every edge  $e$ . If  $f$  is a maximum  $s$ - $t$  flow in  $G$ , then  $f$  saturates every edge out of  $s$  with flow (i.e., for all edges  $e$  out of  $s$ , we have  $f(e) = c_e$ ).
- (b) Let  $G$  be an arbitrary flow network, with a source  $s$ , a sink  $t$ , and a positive integer capacity  $c_e$  on every edge  $e$ ; and let  $(A, B)$  be a minimum  $s$ - $t$  cut with respect to these capacities  $c_e : e \in E$ . Now suppose we add 1 to every capacity; then  $(A, B)$  is still a minimum  $s$ - $t$  cut with respect to these new capacities  $\{1 + c_e : e \in E\}$ .

3. **(20 points) Updating Flows.** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a unit-capacity flow network with source  $s$  and sink  $t$ . We are also given an integer maximum flow for  $G$ . Give an algorithm to efficiently update the maximum flow in  $G$ .

(a) a new edge with unit capacity is *added* to  $E$ ;

(b) an edge is *deleted* from  $E$ .

Note : The algorithm you provide should be faster than recomputing the maximum flow in the updated graph.

4. **(20 points) K&T Ch7 Ex7.** Consider a set of mobile computing clients in a certain town who each need to be connected to one of several possible base stations. We'll suppose there are  $n$  clients, with the position of each client specified by its  $(x, y)$  coordinates in the plane. There are also  $k$  base stations; the position of each of these is specified by  $(x, y)$  coordinates as well.

For each client, we wish to connect it to exactly one of the base stations. Our choice of connections is constrained in the following ways. There is a range parameter  $r$  such that a client can only be connected to a base station that is within distance  $r$ . There is also a load parameter  $L$  such that no more than  $L$  clients can be connected to any single base station.

Your goal is to design a polynomial-time algorithm for the following problem. Given the positions of a set of clients and a set of base stations, as well as the range and load parameters, decide whether every client can be connected simultaneously to a base station, subject to the range and load conditions in the previous paragraph.

5. **(0 points)** How long did it take you to complete this assignment?