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**Design and Analysis of Algorithms Part 1 -
Mathematical tools and Network problems
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Problem 1 (Algorithm 8.7, Ford-Fulkerson):

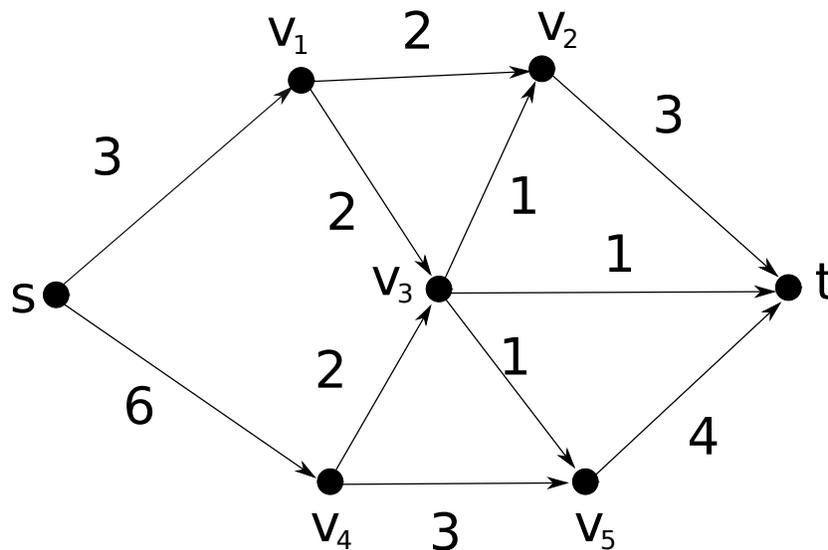


Figure 1: The network (G, u, s, t) . The numbers at the edges give the capacities

Use the algorithm by Ford and Fulkerson to determine a maximum $s - t$ -flow in the network (G, u, s, t) . Give the residual graph in each step.

In addition: give a minimum cut.

Problem 2 (Menger's Theorem (Menger 1927)):

Two paths P and Q are called edge-disjoint if they have no common edge.

Let G be a graph (directed or undirected), let s and t be two vertices and $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Then there are k edge-disjoint s - t -paths if and only if after deleting $k - 1$ edges t is still reachable from s .

Problem 3 (Ford-Fulkerson algorithm and irrational capacities):

Show that the algorithm by Ford and Fulkerson might not terminate when it is applied to a network with irrational capacities.

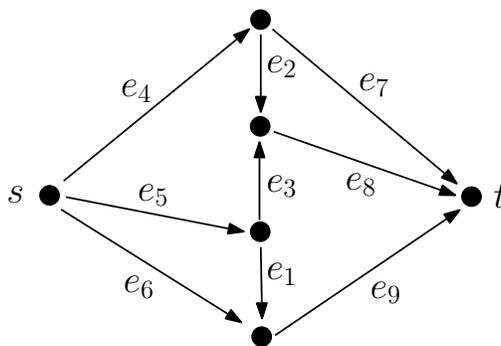


Figure 2: A network with irrational capacities

Consider the network in Figure 2 with capacities $u(e_1) = 1$, $u(e_2) = \sigma$, $u(e_3) = 1$ and $u(e_4) = u(e_5) = \dots = u(e_9) = 4$, with $\sigma = \frac{\sqrt{5}-1}{2}$. First show $\sigma^n = \sigma^{n+1} + \sigma^{n+2}$.

(Hint: Consider the paths $P_1 = \{e_4, e_2, \overleftarrow{e_3}, e_1, e_9\}$, $P_2 = \{e_5, e_3, \overleftarrow{e_2}, e_7\}$, $P_3 = \{e_6, \overleftarrow{e_1}, e_3, e_8\}$ and $P_4 = \{e_5, e_3, e_8\}$. Show by induction that we can change the *residual capacities* of e_1 , e_2 and e_3 from σ^n , σ^{n+1} and 0 to σ^{n+2} , σ^{n+3} and 0, respectively. Induction base: augment along P_4 . Induction step: augment, consecutively, along P_1 , P_2 , P_1 and P_3 .)

Problem 4 (Integer Flow): Show Corollary 8.12 from the seminar: Let $N = (G, u, s, t)$ be a network. If the capacities $u(e)$ are all integers, then there exists a maximum flow in N , such that all $f(e)$ are integers (in particular, the optimum flow is integer).

Problem 5 (PUSH-RELABEL algorithm): For each proof you can use all theorems, lemmata etc. with a smaller number.

- (a) Show Proposition 8.20: During the execution of the Push-Relabel algorithm f is always an s - t -preflow and ψ is always a distance labeling with respect to f . (Hint: Show that the procedures PUSH and PRELABEL preserve these properties.)
- (b) Show Lemma 8.21: If f is an s - t -preflow and ψ is a distance labeling with respect to f , then
 - (1) s is reachable from any active vertex v in G_f .
 - (2) t is not reachable from s in G_f .

(Hint: For (1) consider the set of vertices that are reachable from an active vertex v . For (2) use contradiction.)

- (c) Show Theorem 8.22: When the algorithm 8.19 terminates, f is a maximum s - t -flow.

(d) Show Lemma 8.24: The number of saturating pushes is at most mn .

Problem 6 (MIN CUT problem): The MIN CUT problem is defined as follows:

INPUT: Network (G, u, s, t) .

OUTPUT: An s - t -cut of minimum capacity.

Show how you can compute a MIN CUT in time $O(n^3)$.