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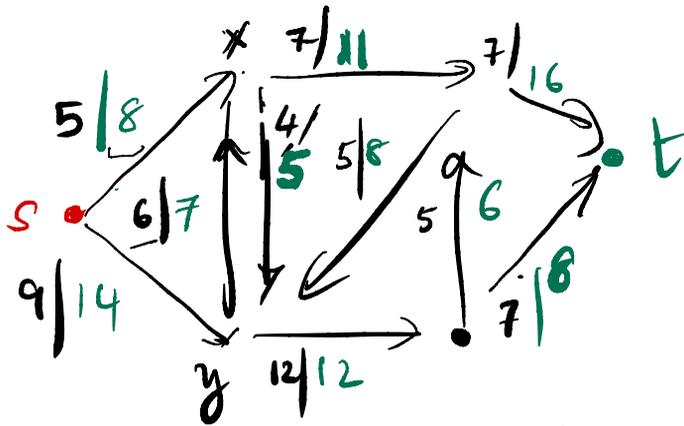
• Network flows:

Single source single sink.

$G = (V, E)$  - directed.

$C: E \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  - capacity function,

$s, t \in V$ ,  $s$  - source &  $t$  - sink;



$$\begin{aligned} 5+9 &= 14 \\ 7+7 &= 14 \end{aligned}$$

• Looking for a flow from  $s$  to  $t$

A flow is a function on edges;

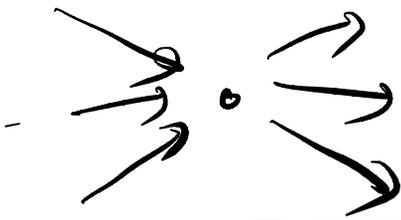
(a)  $u \rightarrow v \in E,$   
 $f(u, v) \leq c(u, v) \rightarrow$

(b)  $f(u, v) = -f(v, u);$  ANTI SYM

(c) Conservation of flow;

$u \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$

$$\sum_v f(u, v) = 0.$$



$$|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v)$$

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# MAX FLOW:

Given  $G$  find max flow;  $\parallel$

- there is a poly time alg for this;

$$x, y \subseteq V, \quad f(x, y) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \sum_{\substack{z \in x \\ y \in Y}} f(z, y)$$

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•  $|f| = f(\{s\}, Y) \rightarrow$

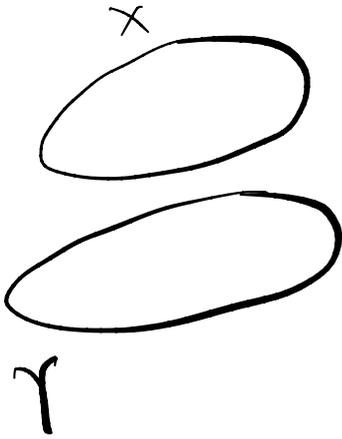
• Obs: (a)  $\forall u \in V, f(u, u) = 0;$

(b)  $f(x, x) = 0, x \subseteq V, \checkmark$

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$$= \sum_{u \neq v} \underbrace{[f(u, v) + f(v, u)]}_{\text{"0"}} + \sum_{u \in X} \underbrace{f(u, u)}_{\text{"0"}}$$

$$= \underbrace{0}_{\text{"0"}} + \underbrace{0}_{\text{"0"}}$$



$$X \cap Y = \emptyset,$$

$$f(X \cup Y, z) =$$

$$f(X, z) + f(Y, z)$$

$$X \cap Y = \emptyset.$$

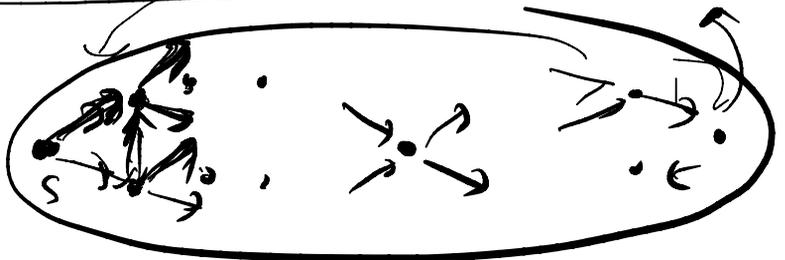
$$\bullet f(z, X \cup Y) = f(z, X) + f(z, Y)$$

$$\bullet \boxed{u \neq s, t}, f(u, V) = 0.$$

$$\bullet \boxed{|f| = \sum f(s, V)} \quad \checkmark \quad \sum_{v \in V} f(u, v)$$

$$\text{Claim: } \boxed{|f| = f(V, t)} \quad \leftarrow$$

Proof:



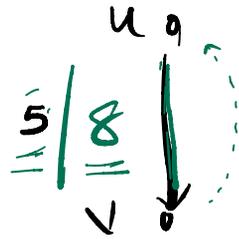


• residual capacity of an edge;  
 $(u, v) \in E$   
 $f(u, v) \leq c(u, v)$ .

$$c_f(u, v) = c(u, v) - f(u, v)$$

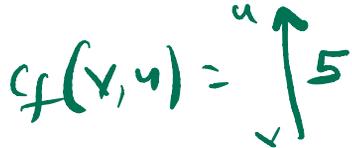
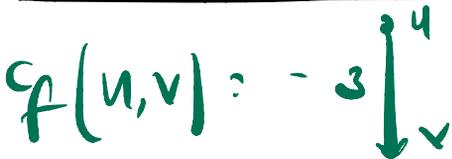
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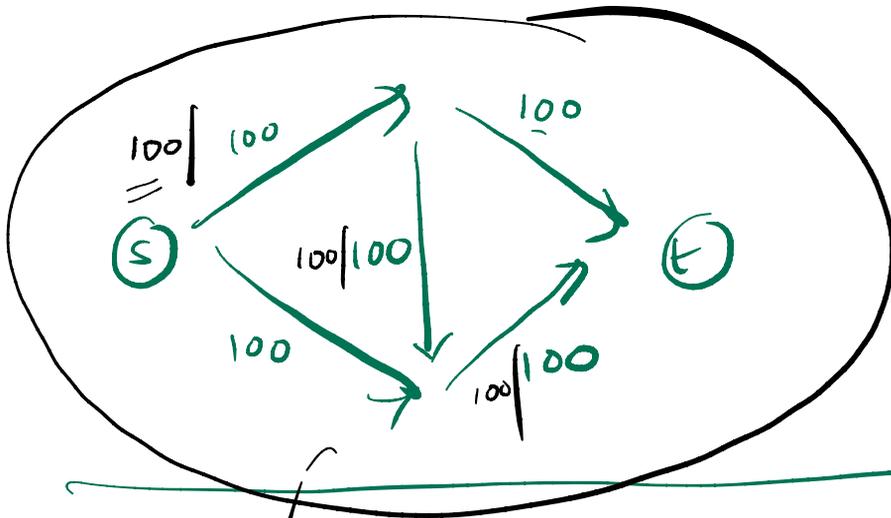
$\forall u, v \in V$ ;



Residual network:

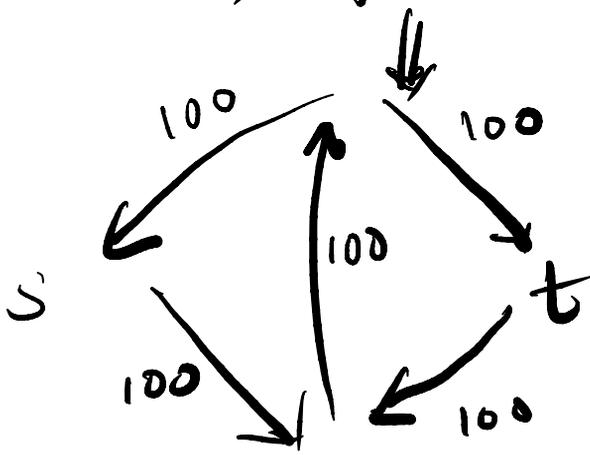
$$E_f = \left\{ (u, v) \mid c_f(u, v) > 0 \right\}$$





$G_f$

Given  $f$   
get  $G_f$



augmenting flow  $f \rightarrow f+h$   
 $|f+h| = |f| + |h| > |f|$

# Max flow ✓

If there is no path from  $s$  to  $t$  in  $G_f$ , then  $|f|$  is  $\hat{=}$  maximum flow

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• Max flow min cut theorem: ✓

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• Kleinberg Tardos

or C. L. R. - Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest;

