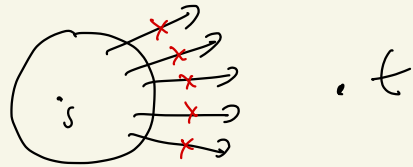


# Ahuja 19.3

$G = (V, A)$  digraph with special vertices  $s, t$   
cost  $c_{ij}$  of destroying arc  $ij$

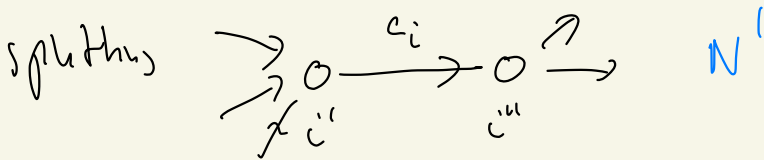
a) find min cost set of arcs that destroys  
all  $s, t$ -paths



let  $N = (V, A, l \geq 0, u \in \mathbb{C})$

Claim min capacity of  $(s, t)$ -cut in  $N$   
= min cost of a destroying set

b) May also kill vertices killing vertex  $i$   
costs  $c_i$ . Can handle this via vertex



claim min cap of  $(s, t)$ -cut in  $N'$   
= min cost of a destroying set of  
vertices & arcs

8.53 Thm 8.9.1  $M=(V, A, E)$

mixed graph  $G=(V, E)$  undirected part  
 $D=(V, A)$  directed part

$$k \leq \min \left\{ \frac{1}{2} d_G(x) + d_D^-(x) \mid \emptyset \neq x \subseteq V \right\}$$

Then the edms of  $G$  can be oriented  $\Rightarrow$   
a digraph  $D'=(V, A')$  such that

$\hat{D}=(V, A \cup A')$  is  $k$ -arc-strong

P: let  $D''=(V, A'')$  be any orientation of  $G$  (the undirected part of  $M$ )  
as usual  $x: A'' \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  will follow which arcs to reverse

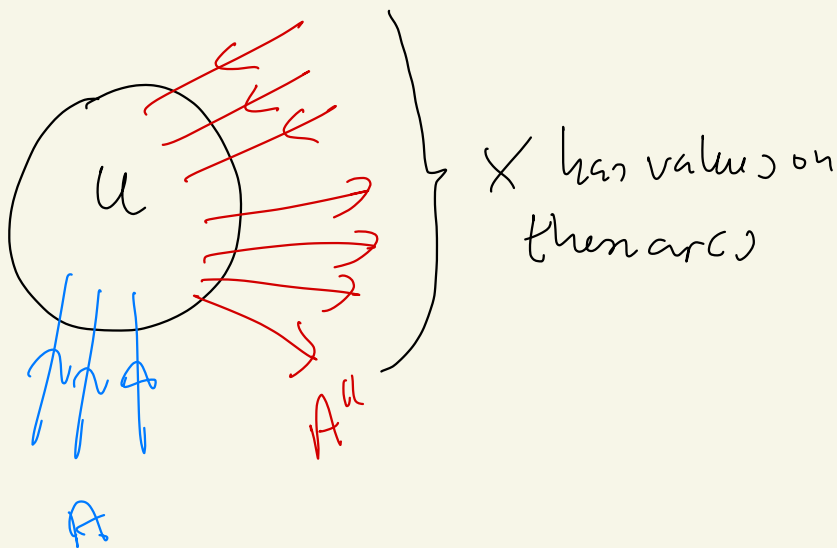
$$d_{D''}^-(u) + d_{D''}^+(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u) \geq k \quad (*)$$

must hold for all  $u \neq \emptyset, V$

We claim that  $x \equiv \frac{1}{2}$  satisfies  $(*)$

and then, by the integrality theorem  
for submodular flows, there exists

a good orientation  $A'$  of  $E$  such that  
 $\hat{D}=(V, A \cup A')$  is  $k$ -arc-strong



$$d_D^-(u) + d_{D^u}^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u) \quad \downarrow x \equiv \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= d_D^-(u) + d_{D^u}^-(u) + \frac{1}{2} d_{D^u}^+(u) - \frac{1}{2} d_{D^u}^-(u)$$

$$= d_D^-(u) + \frac{1}{2} (d_{D^u}^+(u) + d_{D^u}^-(u))$$

$$= d_D^-(u) + \frac{1}{2} d_G(u)$$

$\geq k$  by the assumption on the theorem

## B)G 8.64

$G = (V, E)$  for each edge  $ij$   
we have two costs  $c_{ij}$  and  $c_{ji}$   
where  $c_{ij}$  is the cost of orienting  
the edge  $ij$  as  $i \rightarrow j$  and  
 $c_{ji}$  is the cost of orienting it as  $j \rightarrow i$

Goal: find a  $k$ -arc-strong orientation of  $G$   
of minimum cost (assume  $\lambda(G) \geq 2k$  so there is  
a  $k$ -arc-strong orientation)

Let  $D$  be the orientation which orients  
each arc  $ij \in E$  as  $i \rightarrow j$  if  $c_{ij} \leq c_{ji}$  and  
as  $j \rightarrow i$  otherwise. Let  $C$  denote the cost of this  
orientation.

Let  $C'$  be the cost function which assigns  
cost  $|c_{ij} - c_{ji}|$  to the arc between  $i$  and  $j$  in  $D$

Let  $x(a) = 1 \Leftrightarrow$  we reverse  $a$   
then we want

$$d_D^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u) \geq k$$

$$\Leftrightarrow x^-(u) - x^+(u) \leq d_D^-(u) - k$$

(a)

$$0 \leq x \leq 1$$

Every integer solution  $x$  to (a) corresponds  
to a  $k$ -arc-trans orientation  $D_x$

$$\text{and } c^T x = c(D_x) - c(D)$$

So every minimum cost integer valued  
submodular flow corresponds to an  
optimal  $k$ -arc-trans orientation  
of  $G$ .

Problem 04 WNTB

Show how to decide whether  $G=(V,E)$  has  $k$  edge-disjoint spanning trees  
via submodular flows

Claim  $G=(V,E)$  has  $k$  edge-disjoint spanning trees (1)



$\forall r \in V$

$\exists$  orientation  $D$  of  $G$  which has  $k$  arc-disjoint out-branchings rooted at  $r$

(2)

$\Uparrow$ : Suppose  $B_{r,1}^t, \dots, B_{r,k}^t$  are arc-disjoint out-branchings from  $r$ , let  $T_i$  be obtained from  $B_{r,i}^t$  by ignoring the orientation  
Then  $T_1, T_2, \dots, T_k$  are edge-disjoint spanning trees

$\Downarrow$  Let  $r \in V$  be given and let  $\hat{T}_1, \hat{T}_2, \dots, \hat{T}_k$  be edge-disj. sp. trees in  $G$ . orient  $T_i$  as an out-branching  $\hat{B}_{r,i}^t$  from  $r$   
Then  $\hat{B}_{r,1}^t, \hat{B}_{r,2}^t, \dots, \hat{B}_{r,k}^t$  are arc-disj out-branchings rooted at  $r$ . (a)

Let  $D'$  be an arbitrary orientation of  $G$   
we can obtain any other orientation  $D$   
by reversing zero or more arcs of  $D'$

we can use a flow  $x: A \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  to  
show which arcs we reverse

$$x(a) = 1 \Leftrightarrow a \text{ is reversed}$$

By Edmonds' branching theorem, such  
an orientation  $D$  of  $G$  has  $k$  arc-disj.  
out-branchings from  $r$  if and only if

$$d_D^-(u) \geq k \quad \forall \emptyset \neq u \subseteq V - r \quad (\square)$$

Let  $D_x$  denote  $D'$  with those arcs where  
 $x = 1$  reversed. Then

$$d_{D_x}^-(u) = d_{D'}^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u)$$

Hence (a) holds with  $D = D_x$  if and only if

$$d_{D'}^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u) = d_{D_x}^-(u) \geq k$$

$$\Downarrow x^-(u) - x^+(u) \leq d_{D'}^-(u) - k = b(u)$$

$b(u) = d_{D'}^-(u) - k$  is submodular as

$d_{D'}^-(\cdot)$  is submodular

Conclusion:  $G$  has an orientation with  $k$  arc-disj out-branchings rooted at  $r$

$\Uparrow$   
 $\Downarrow$  The submodular flow problem

$$x^-(u) - x^+(u) \leq d_{D'}^-(u) - k$$

$$0 \leq x(a) \leq 1 \quad \forall a \in A(D')$$

has a feasible solution.



# Exam 2018 B Problem 1

Given  $D = (V, A)$  with  $d_D^+(v) + d_D^-(v)$  even  $\forall v \in V$

- a) Find a set of arcs to reverse such that new digraph  $D'$  is eulerian ( $d_{D'}^+(v) = d_{D'}^-(v) \forall v \in V$ )

as usual:  $\times$  flow in  $N = (V, A, l \equiv 0, u \equiv 1, b)$

$\times \{0, 1\} \Leftrightarrow$  reverse a

$\swarrow$  to be determined

Then we want

$$d_D^-(i) + \sum_{j \in A} x_{ij} - \sum_{j \in A} x_{ji} = \frac{d_D^+(i) + d_D^-(i)}{2} \quad \forall i \in V$$

$\Uparrow$

$$b_x(i) = \frac{d_D^+(i) + d_D^-(i)}{2} - d_D^-(i) = b(i)$$

Every eulerian reorientation  $D'$  of  $D$  corresponds to a feasible integer flow  $x$  in

$$N = (V, A, l \equiv 0, u \equiv 1, b)$$

This is a unit capacity network so by Exam 2018 A problem 4.3 such a flow can be found in time

$$O(n^{2/3} m)$$

b) we can find the minimum # of arcs to reverse by giving each arc a cost of 1 then the cost of a feasible flow  $X$  in  $N = (V, A, (E_0, u \equiv 1, \delta, c \equiv 1))$  is exactly the number of arcs we reverse in  $D$  to get an eulerian reorientation.

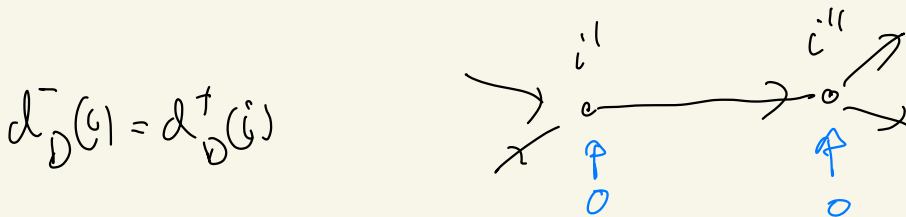
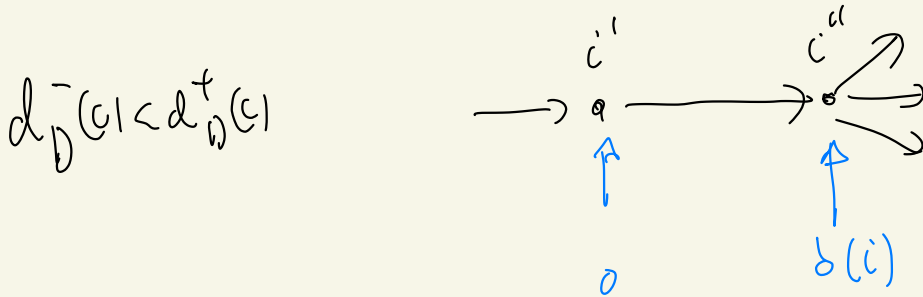
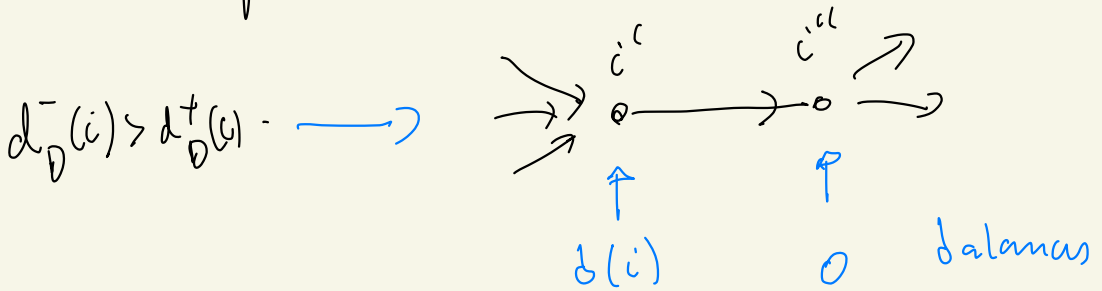
c) Goal: find smallest  $k$  such that we can obtain an eulerian reorientation of  $D$  without reversing more than  $k$  arcs incident to any vertex  $i$ .

Observation: we must reverse at least

$$m(i) = \frac{|d_D^+(i) - d_D^-(i)|}{2} \text{ arcs at } i$$



In order to measure how many more arcs we reverse at  $i$ , we perform vertex splitting and get balances as follows



Example  $d_D^-(i) = 8$   $d_D^+(i) = 2$

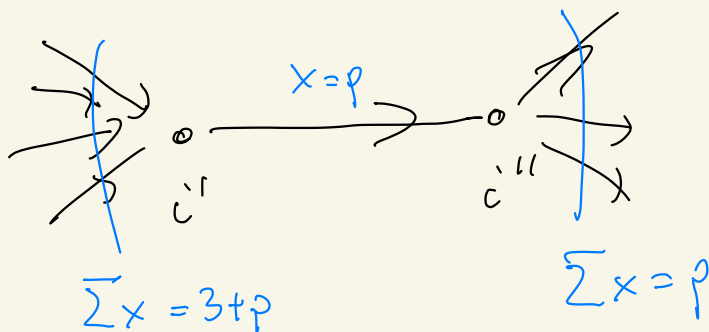
so  $m(i) = \frac{8-2}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow$  must reverse

at least 3 arcs at  $i$  and

$$b(i) = \frac{d_D^+(i) + d_D^-(i)}{2} - d_D^-(i) = 5 - 8 = -3$$

If we reverse more than 3 arcs at  $i$   
then we must reverse  $p$  more incoming and  
 $p$  outgoing

In the new network this corresponds to  
the following flow values at  $i', i''$



Now we want to put a cost  $C_{i^l i^u}(x_{i^l i^u})$

so that sending  $k$  units

on the arc  $i^l \rightarrow i^u$  is more expensive

than sending  $k-1$  units on

all arcs  $j^l \rightarrow j^u$   $j \in V$

• Set  $C_{i^l i^u}(x_{i^l i^u}) = m^{2x_{i^l i^u} + 1}$

•  $m^{2kt+1} > m \cdot m^{2(k-1)t+1} = m \cdot m^{2k-1} = m^{2k}$

So more expensive to send  $k$  units along  $i^l \rightarrow i^u$

than  $k-1$  units along all  $j^l \rightarrow j^u$

$f(k) = m^{2kt+1}$  is a convex function:

$$f'(k) = (2kt+1)m^{2k} \quad \text{and} \quad f''(k) = 2k(2kt+1)m^{2k-1}$$

so  $f'' \geq 0$  always  $\Rightarrow f'(k)$  is increasing always

So we find a feasible flow  $x$  of  
min cost cost  $C_{ij}(x_{ij}) = 0 \quad \forall ij \in A$

$$C_{i'c''}(x_{i'c''}) = m^{2X_{i'c''}+1}$$

$$\forall i \in V$$

Then is a feasible solution of cost

less than  $m^{2k+1}$  if and only

if we can find an Eulerian

reorientation by never reversing more

than  $2(k-1)$  arcs more than the

minimum  $m(i)$  at any vertex  $i$

## Problem 2, Exam 2016 B

a) Frank algorithm (very brief)

Let  $D = (V, A)$  with  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  be given. Assume  $\lambda(D) < k$

1. add a new vertex  $s$  to  $D = (V, A)$ ,  
 $k$  arcs  $is \ \forall i \in V$  and  $k$  arcs  $si \ \forall i \in V$

Now we have  $d_D^+(u), d_D^-(u) \geq k \ \forall u \neq u \in V(D)$   
in resulting  $D'$

2. For  $i := 1$  to  $n$

remove as many  $is$  arcs as possible  
while preserving  $(\square)$

let  $\gamma^-$  be the number of remaining arcs  
entering  $s$

3. For  $j := 1$  to  $n$

remove as many  $sj$  arcs as possible  
while preserving  $(\square)$

let  $\gamma^+$  = # arcs out of  $s$

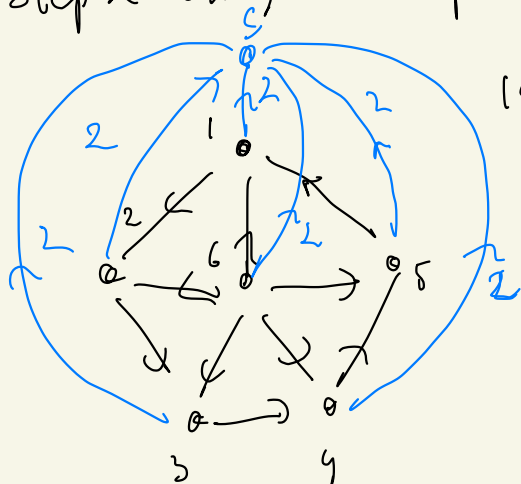
4. if  $\gamma^- < \gamma^+$  add  $\gamma^+ - \gamma^-$  arcs  $1 \rightarrow s$

5. if  $\gamma^- > \gamma^+$  add  $\gamma^- - \gamma^+$  arcs  $s \rightarrow 1$

6. while  $d^+(s) > 0$

a. take arc  $sj$    b. find  $i$  such  
( $i, s$ ) is admissible   c. split  $i$  with  $sj$

Step 2 only arcs up shown drop subscript always  
 current digraph



$$1: d^+(1) = 3$$

$$d^+(x) \geq 4 \quad \forall |X| = 2 \text{ with } 1 \in X$$

$\Downarrow$  can delete one arc  $1 \rightarrow S$

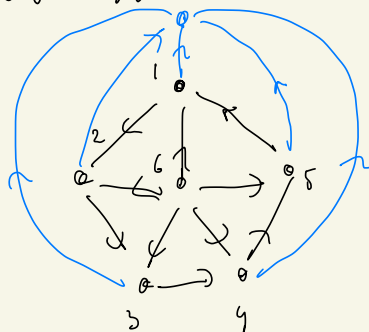
2:  $d^+(2) = 3$ ,  $d^+(X) \geq 4$  for all  $X$ ,  $|X| \geq 2$ ,  $2 \in X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  delete one arc  $2 \rightarrow S$

3:  $d^+(3) = 3$ ,  $d^+(X) \geq 4$  for all  $X$ ,  $|X| \geq 2$ ,  $3 \in X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  delete one arc  $3 \rightarrow S$

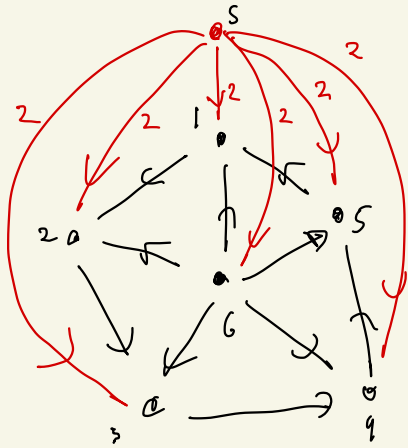
4:  $d^+(4) = 3$ ,  $d^+(X) \geq 4$  for all  $X$ ,  $|X| \geq 2$ ,  $4 \in X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  delete one arc  $4 \rightarrow S$

5:  $d^+(5) = 3$ ,  $d^+(X) \geq 4$  for all  $X$ ,  $|X| \geq 2$ ,  $5 \in X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  delete one arc  $5 \rightarrow S$

6:  $d^+(X) \geq 4$  for all  $X$  containing 6  
 $\Rightarrow$  delete 2 arcs  $6 \rightarrow S$







1:  $d^-(x) \geq 4 \forall x \ni 1 \Rightarrow$  delete both arcs  $s \rightarrow 1$

2:  $d^-(x) \geq 4 \forall x \ni 2 \Rightarrow$  delete both arcs  $s \rightarrow 2$

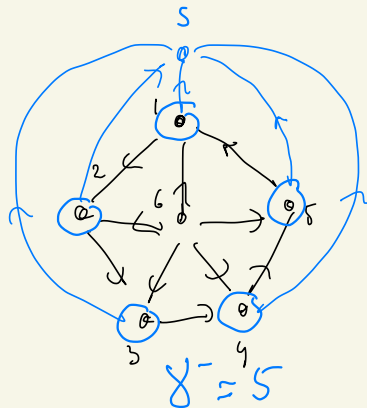
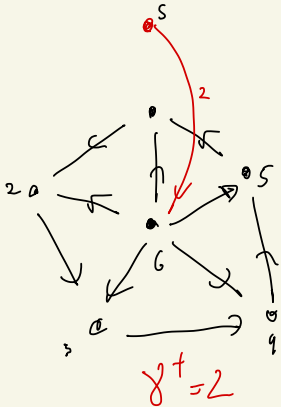
To see this: if  $6 \in X$  then  $d^-(x) \geq d(s,2) + d(2,6) \geq 4$  so may assume  $6 \notin X$  if  $1 \in X$  then  $d^-(x) \geq d(s,2) + d(2,1,2) \geq 4$  and if  $1 \notin X$  then  $d^-(x) \geq d(s,2) + d(1,6,2) \geq 4$

3:  $d^-(x) \geq 4 \forall x \ni 3$  so delete both arcs  $s \rightarrow 3$

4:  $d^-(x) \geq 4 \forall x \ni 4 \Rightarrow$  delete both arcs  $s \rightarrow 4$

5:  $d^-(x) \geq 4 \forall x \ni 5 \Rightarrow$  delete both arcs  $s \rightarrow 5$

6:  $d^-(6) = 0$  so keep both arcs  $s \rightarrow 6$ .



The subpartition  $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5$  with  $X_i = \{i\}$  shows that we need 5 arcs

$$\gamma^- - \gamma^+ = 3$$

so we add 3

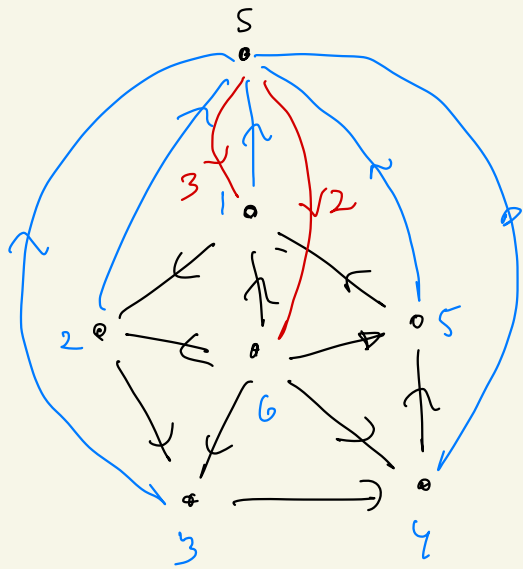
arcs  $s \rightarrow 1$

we first split off

the 3 arcs  $s \rightarrow 1$

and then the 2

arcs  $s \rightarrow 6$

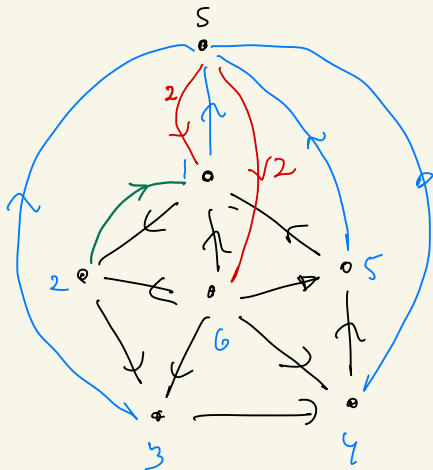


$(1s, s1)$  is not admissible as  $d^+(1) = 2$

$(2s, s1)$ :  $d^-(X) \geq 2$  for all  $X$  containing  $\{1, 2\}$   
due to red arcs

$d^+(X) \geq 2$  for all  $X \supseteq \{1, 2\}$  due to  
blue arcs

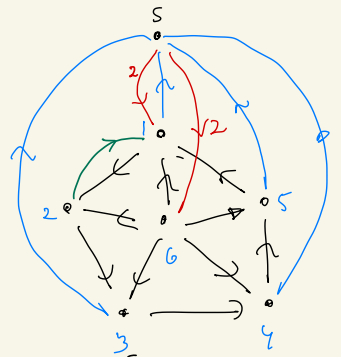
$\Rightarrow (2s, s1)$  is admissible



try  $(3S, S1)$ :  $d^-(X) > 2$  for all  $X$  with  $\{1,3\} \subseteq S$   
 due to red arcs and arcs out of 6

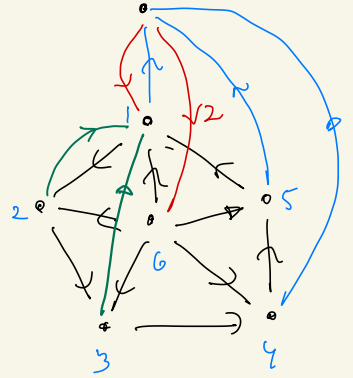
$d^+(X) > 2$  for all  $X \supseteq \{1,3\}$   
 due to the cycle  $123451$   
 and blue arcs

so  $(3S, S1)$  is inadmissible



try  $(4S, S1)$ :  $d^-(X) > 2$   $\forall X$  with  $\{1,4\} \subseteq S$

$d^+(X) > 2$   $\forall X \supseteq \{1,4\}$  due to  $123451$   
 and blue arcs



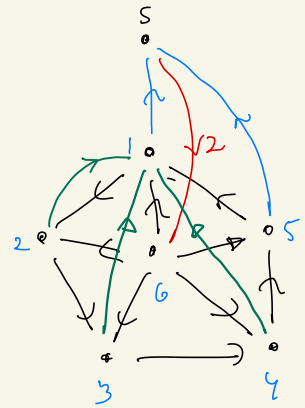
try  $(1S, S6)$ :  $d^-(X) > 2$   $\forall X$  with  $\{1,6\} \subseteq S$

$d^+(X) > 2$   $\forall X \supseteq \{1,6\}$  due  
 to  $1S$  and  $123451$

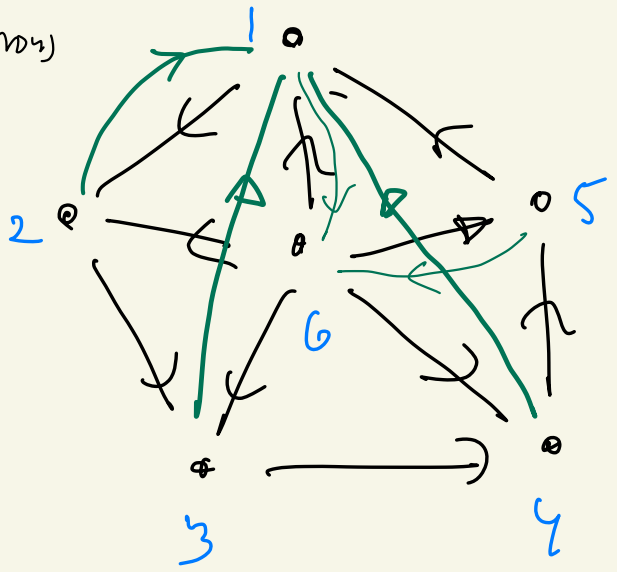
so  $(1S, S6)$  is admissible

and finally  $(S5, S6)$  is admissible

trivially



resulting 2-circulation  
digraph



Subproblems:

- A. Given  $i \in V$  with  $k$  arcs to  $s$ :  
How many can we delete
- B. Is the splitting  $(i, s)$  admissible.

A: is solved by calculating

$$r(i) = \min \{ d^+(x) \mid i \in X, s \notin X, X \neq V \}$$

we can delete  $g = \min \{ k, r(i) - k \}$  arcs  
from  $i$  to  $s$

For each  $t \in V - i$ : calculate  $(i, t)$ -flow  $x^{(t)}$   
 in  $D + s \rightarrow t$  and  $u_{ij} = \infty \quad \forall ij \in A$

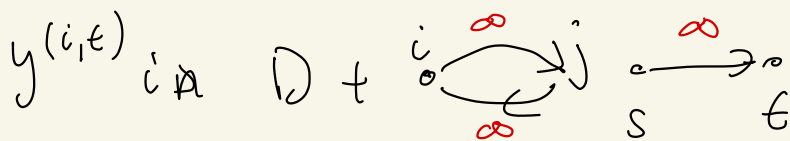
Then  $r(i) = \min \{ |x^{(t)}| \mid t \in V - i \}$   
 by the max flow min cut thm.

B: is solved by calculation

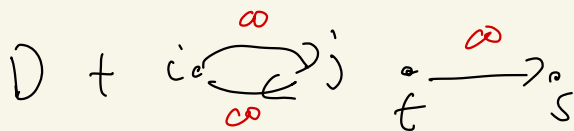
$\alpha = \min \{ d^+(X) \mid \{i, j\} \subseteq X \neq V \}$  and

$\beta = \min \{ d^-(X) \mid \{i, j\} \subseteq X \neq V \}$

For  $t \in V - \{i, j\}$ : calculate max  $(i, t)$ -flow



and a max  $(t, i)$ -flow  $z^{(t, i)}$  in



Then

$$\alpha = \min \{ |y^{(i,e)}| \mid e \in V - \{i,j\} \}$$

$$\beta = \min \{ |z^{(e,j)}| \mid e \in V - \{i,j\} \}$$

and  $(i, s_j)$  is admissible

precisely when  $\alpha, \beta > k$

b) By Nash-Williams orientation theorem

$$r^k(D) < \infty \Leftrightarrow \text{UMG}(D) \text{ is}$$

$2k$ -edge-connected

c)  $r^k(D)$  can be found by finding  
a min cost feasible submodular flow  
or next par.

Interpret  $x: A \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  in

$N = (V, A, l \equiv 0, u \equiv 1)$  by reversing

$ij$  iff and only if  $x_{ij} = 1$

then resulting digraph  $D'$  has in-degree

$$d_{D'}^-(u) = d_D^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u)$$

so we want an integer  $x$  s.t

$$d_D^-(u) + x^+(u) - x^-(u) \geq k$$

$$\Downarrow x^-(u) - x^+(u) \leq d_D^-(u) - k = b(u)$$

and  $0 \leq x \leq 1$

we saw in b) that  $r^k(D) < \infty \Leftrightarrow \lambda(\text{aug}(D)) \geq 2k$

and By the Edmonds-Giles theorem

there is a feasible integer  $x$  whenever there is a feasible sol.

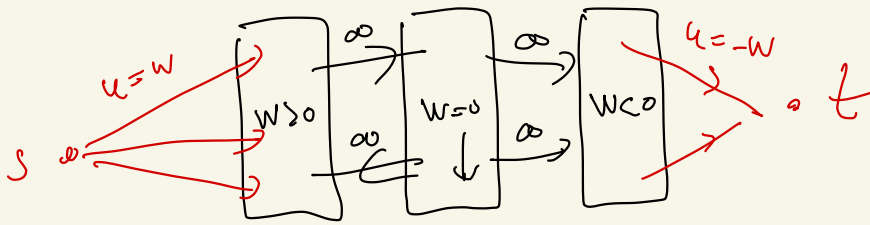
set  $C_{ij} = 1$  and find a min cost

feasible submodular flow  $x$  gives us  $r^k(D)$

a) the cost of such an  $x$ .

# Problem 3 Exam 2018B

a) Given  $D = (V, A, w)$   $w: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
we make  $N$  as follows



all original arcs have  $\infty$ -cap.

We proved that if  $X$  is a closure  
then  $(X \cup \bar{s}, V \setminus X \cup \bar{t})$  is an  $(s, t)$ -cut

and  $w(X) + u(s, \bar{s}) = \text{constant}$

so finding a min cut  $(s, \bar{s})$  gives us a

max closure  $S = \bar{s}$ .

We can force  $v$  to be in our closure  
by setting  $u_{sv} = \infty$  instead of  $u_{sv} = w(v)$

We can force  $v'$  not to be in our closure  
by setting  $u_{v't} = \infty$



Now we can find a maximum weight closure  $X$  with  $X \neq \emptyset, V$  by running through all pairs of distinct vertices  $v, v'$  while forcing  $v$  to be in the closure and  $v'$  not to be in the closure.

$\binom{n}{2}$  max flow calculations so  $O(n^5)$  with FIFO pfp

b) Goal find  $\max \{ |X| \mid d(x) = 0, X \neq V \}$

Solution: set  $w(v) = 1 \forall v$  and find a max weight closure  $X \neq \emptyset, V$  then this  $X$  gives max above.

Running time  $O(n^5)$  as above

c) Suppose  $d^t(X) = d^t(Y) = 0$   
and  $X \cup Y \neq V$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 + 0 &= d^t(X) + d^t(Y) \\ &\geq d^t(X \cup Y) + d^t(X \cap Y) \\ &\geq 0 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

so  $d^t(X \cup Y) = 0$

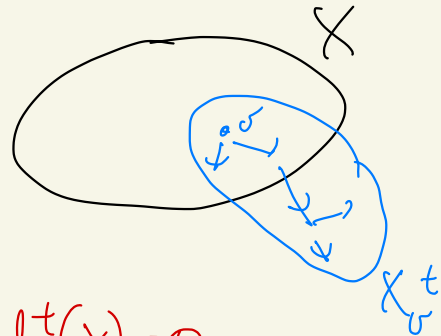
d)  $D = (V, A)$   $X_\sigma^+ = \{w \mid \exists (\sigma, w)\text{-path in } D\}$   
 $X_\sigma^- = \{z \mid \exists (z, \sigma)\text{-path in } D\}$

if  $d^t(X) = 0$  and  $\sigma \in X$  then

$X_\sigma^+ \subseteq X$  as otherwise

then is an arc from

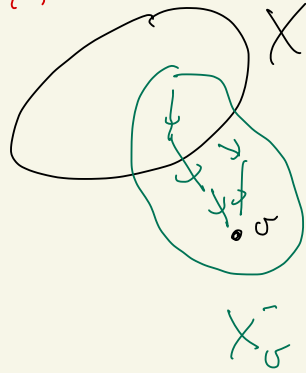
$X \cap X_\sigma^+$  to  $X_\sigma^+ \setminus X$  }  $d^t(X) = 0$



if  $d^+(x) = 0$  and  $x \notin X$

then  $X \cap X_\sigma^- = \emptyset$  or we  
would have an arc from

$X \cap X_\sigma^-$  to  $V \setminus X$  implying  
 $d^+(x) > 0$  }



e) Quick algorithm for finding  
 $\max \{ |X| \mid d^+(x) = 0, x \notin V \}$

Find  $X_\sigma^-$  for all  $\sigma$  in time  
(at most)  $O(n(n+tm))$

Note that  $d^+(V \setminus X_\sigma^-) = 0$  so

$V \setminus X_\sigma^-$  is a candidate for  $X$

Since  $X \neq V$  there is some  $\sigma \in V \setminus X$   
and  $X_\sigma^- \cap X = \emptyset$  by d.

## Conclusion

$X$  is the complement of  
some  $X_{\sigma}^{-}$  and this

$$X_{\sigma}^{-} \text{ has } |X_{\sigma}^{-}| \leq |X_{\omega}^{-}| \quad \forall \omega \in V$$

given  $X_{\sigma_1}^{-} \dots X_{\sigma_n}^{-}$  we can

find  $X$  in time  $\mathcal{O}(n)$

so  $\mathcal{O}(n(n+m))$  in total

i.e. much faster than the  
flow band method in b)

# Problem 4 Exam 2018 B

a)

P: on input  $(D, c, r)$ :

1. Check whether  $r$  can reach all other vertices and stop if No

2. For  $v \in V - r$ :  $y_v \leftarrow \min\{c(av) \mid v \in A\}$

3. For  $v \in V - r$ : fix one arc  $a_v$  entering  $v$  with  $c(a_v) = y_v$

4. Let  $F^* = \{a_v \mid v \in V - r\}$

5. If  $F^*$  is a branching (no cycle) return  $F^*$

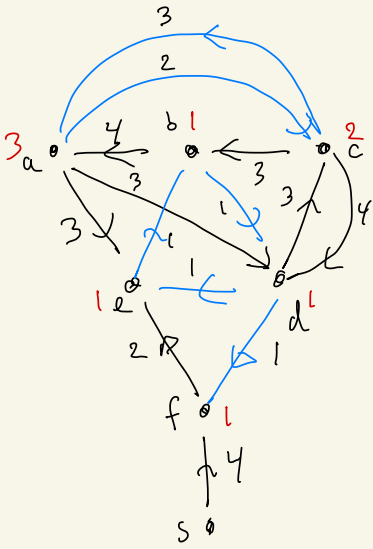
Else let  $C \subseteq F^*$  be a cycle

a.  $D \leftarrow D/C$

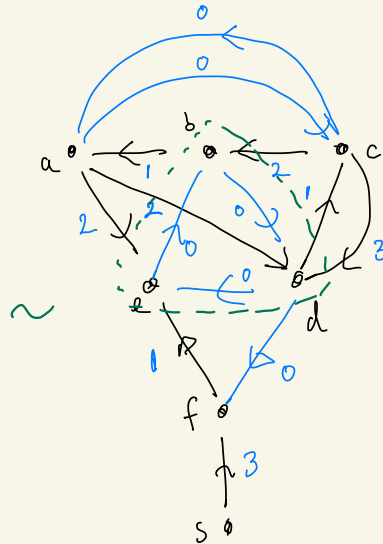
b.  $c' \leftarrow c - y$  ( $c'(av) \leftarrow c(av) - y_v \forall v \in A$ )

c. solve recursively on  $(D/C, c', r)$

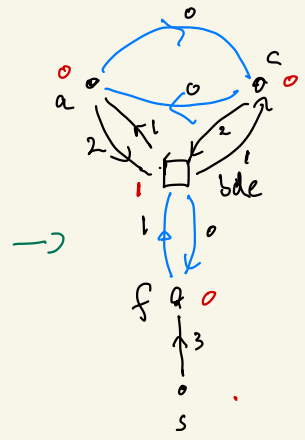
d. Blow up  $C$  again and return the resulting branching



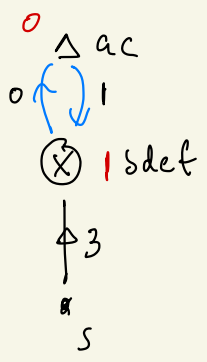
$D, c, y \quad \Sigma y = 9$



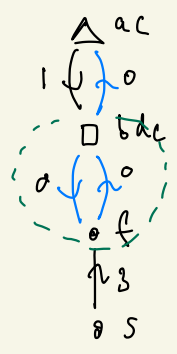
$D, c'$



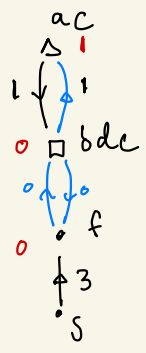
$D/bde, c^1, y \quad \Sigma y = 1$



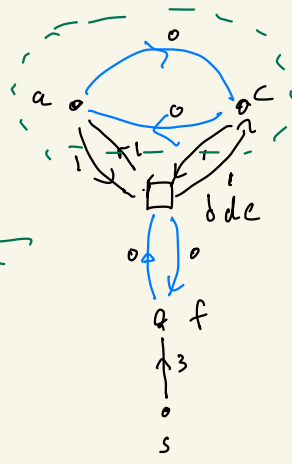
$D/bde/ac/bdef, c^3, y \quad \Sigma y = 1$



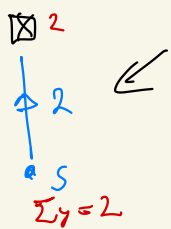
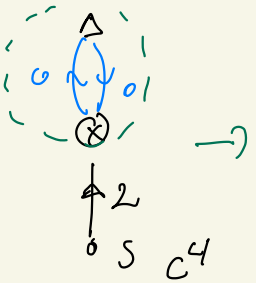
$D/bde/ac, c^3$



$D/bde/ac, c^2, y \quad \Sigma y = 1$



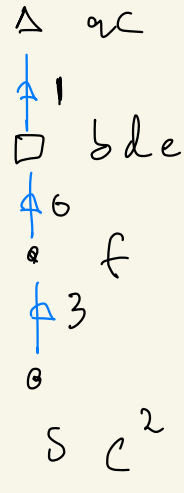
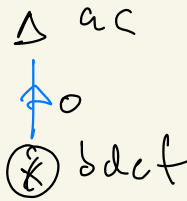
$D/bde, c^2$



out-branching  
so slow up the 3 contracted  
cycles, in reverse order

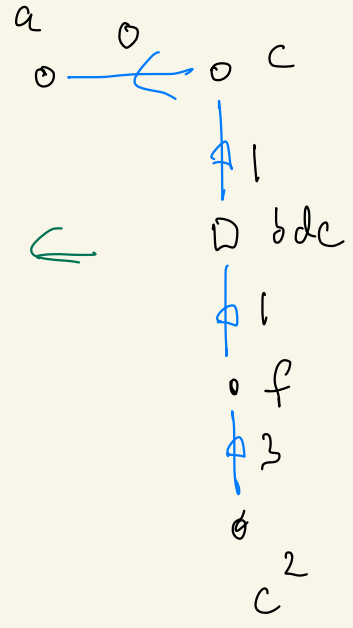
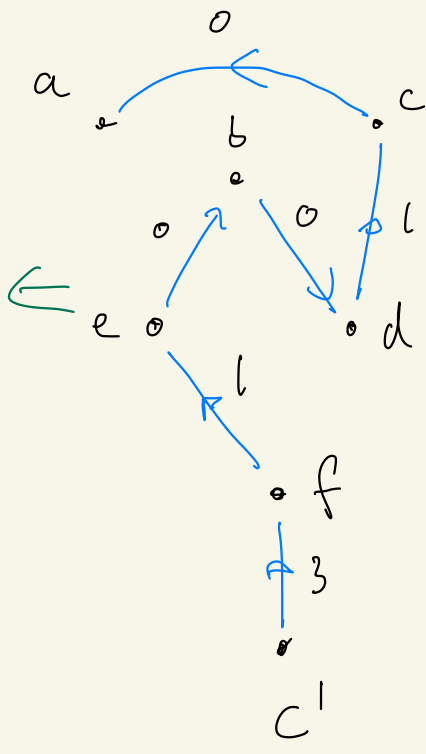
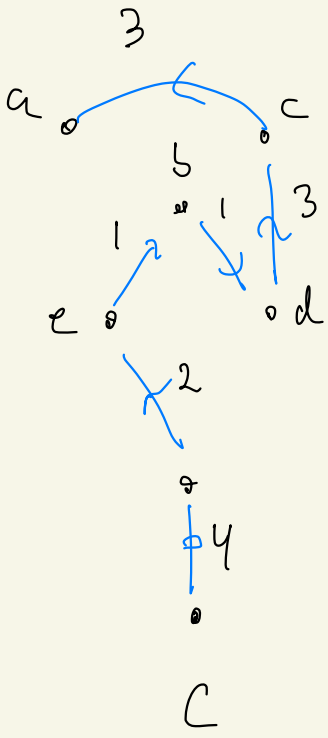
$\Sigma y = 2$

⊗ abcdef



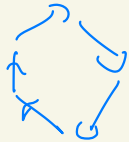
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Cost = 14 = total sum of y-values

c) Given  $D = (V, A, c, s)$   
and  $A' \subseteq A$

• If  $A'$  contains a cycle 

or  $d_{A'}^-(v) \geq 1$  for some  $v$

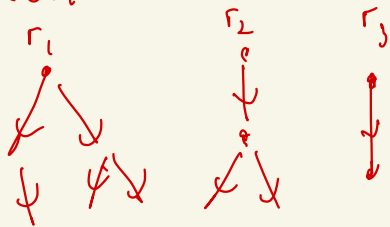
or  $d_{A'}^-(s) > 0$

then there is no out-branching from  
containing all arcs of  $A'$

So assume  $d_{A'}^-(v) \leq 1 \forall v \neq s$  and  $d_{A'}^-(s) = 0$

and that  $A'$  is acyclic

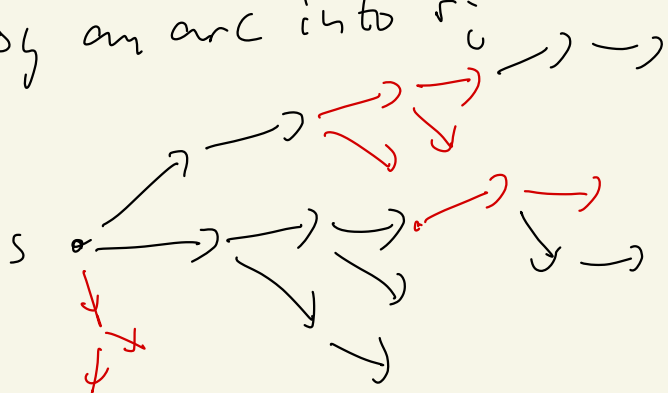
Then  $A'$  is a collection of out-trees





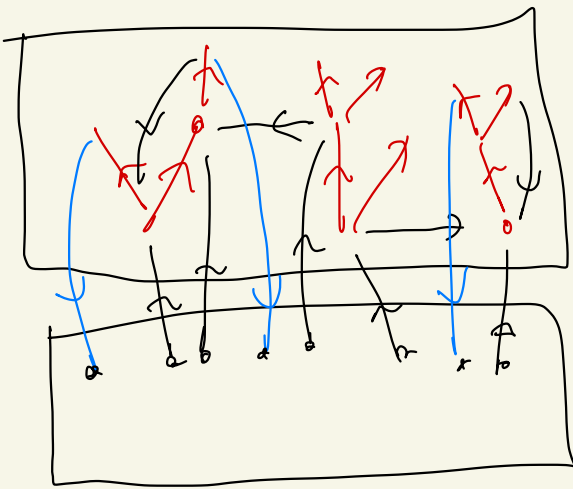
• Let  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_g$  be the roots of the nontrivial out-trees in  $D' = (V, A')$

• If  $D$  has an out-branching  $B_s^t$  s.t.  $A' \subseteq A(B_s^t)$ , then  $B_s^t$  must enter any out-tree  $T_{r_i}^+$  when  $r_i \neq s$  by an arc into  $r_i$

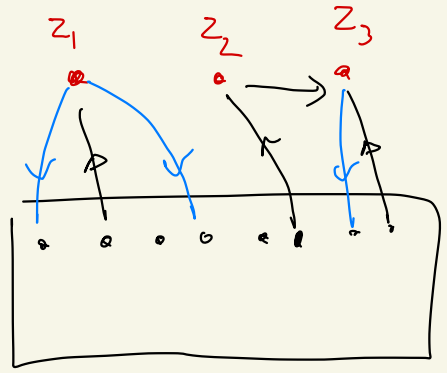


• Contract each  $V(T_{r_i}^+)$  to one vertex  $Z_i$  whose out-neighbours is the set of out-neighbours of the root  $V(T_{r_i}^+)$  and whose in-neighbours are the in-neighbours of  $r_i$  in  $V \setminus V(T_{r_i}^+)$

Let  $D^*$  be the resulting digraph



$$V \setminus U \cup V(\tau_c^+)$$



$$D^*$$

$D$  has the desired out-branching,

$B_s^t$  (contains all arcs of  $A^t$ )

if and only if  $D^*$  has an out-branching from  $s$ .

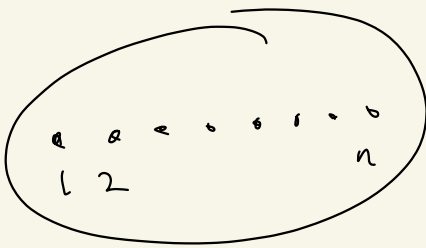
The cost of such an out-branching in  $D$  is  
 (the cost of the corresponding out-branching in  $D^*$   
 $+ \sum_{a \in A^t} C(a)$  so minimizing cost of branchings in  $D$   
 is the same as minimizing branchings in  $D^*$

d)  $D = (V, A)$  strongly connected  
 $c: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  cost function  
 no root specified.

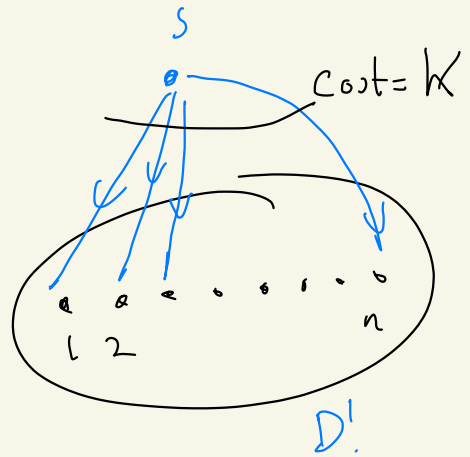
Goal Find min cost out-branching when  
 root can be arbitrary

Naive solution: try all possible roots

Better:



$D$

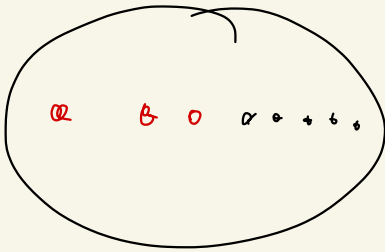


Choose  $K$  so large that no min cost branching  
 from  $s$  will use 2 arcs out of  $s$

$B_s^t$  optimal sol in  $D' \Leftrightarrow B_s^t - \{s\}$  optimal in  $D$

e) min cost out-branching with no  
 root specified by contains all arcos  
 $A^L$  for some  $A' \subseteq A$ ?

let  $D^*$  be as in c) and apply construction  
 in d) to  $D^*$  instead of  $D$



$D^*$

