

CS270: Lecture 1.

1. Overview
2. Administration
3. Dueling Subroutines: Congestion/Tolls.

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Probabilistic, linear algebra methods, continuous.

Example Problem: clustering.

- ▶ Points: documents, dna, preferences.
- ▶ Graphs: applications to VLSI, parallel processing, image segmentation.

Image example.

Image Segmentation

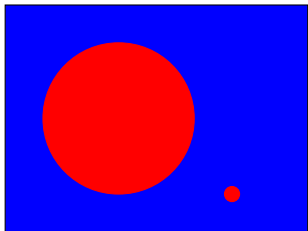


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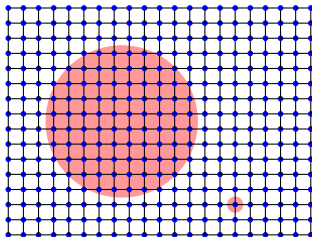
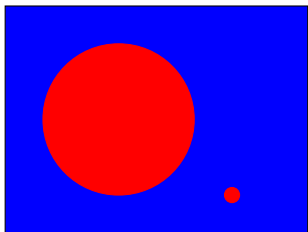
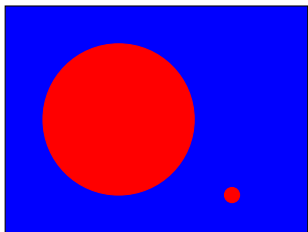


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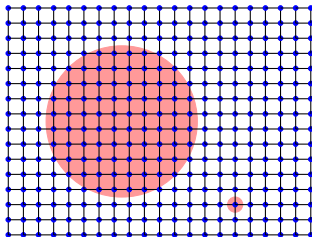
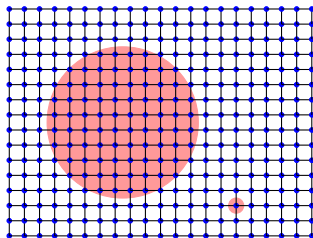
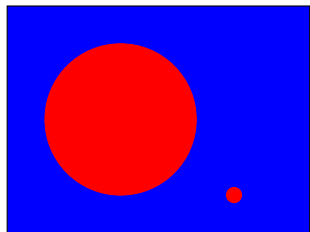


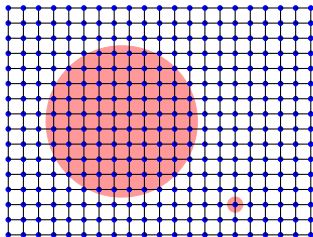
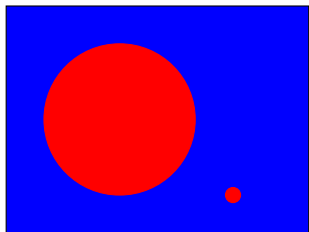
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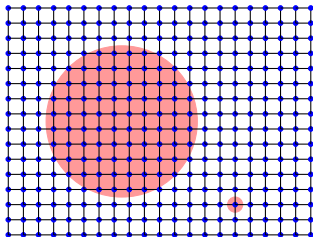
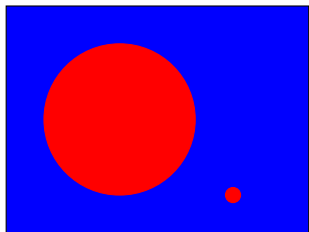
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Reasoning about these methods.

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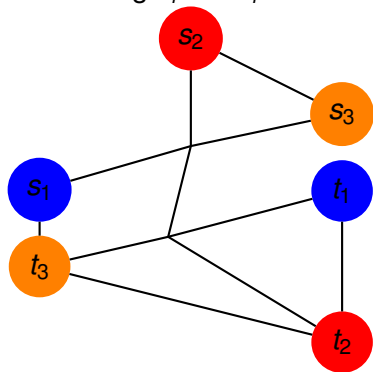
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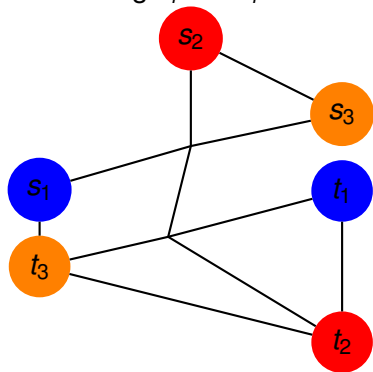
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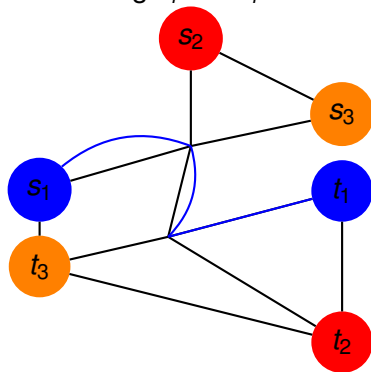
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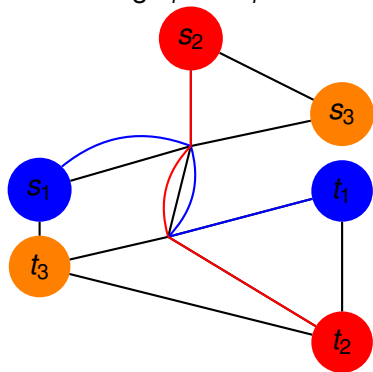
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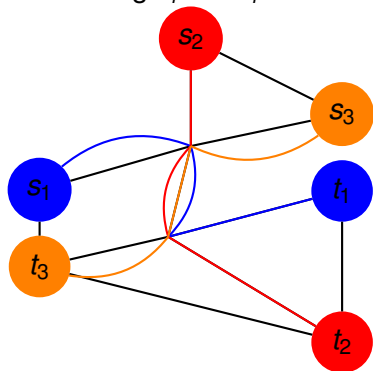
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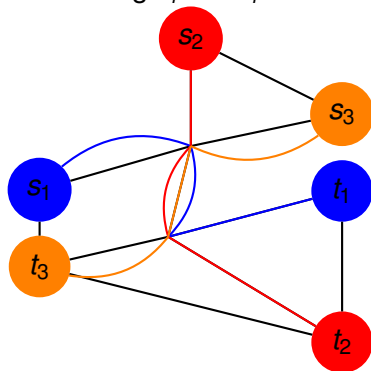
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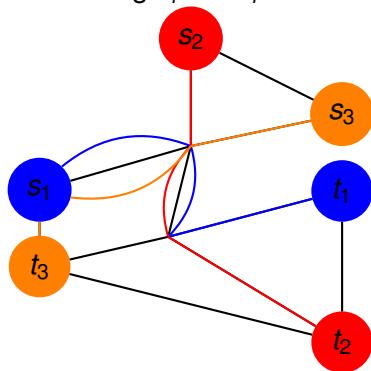
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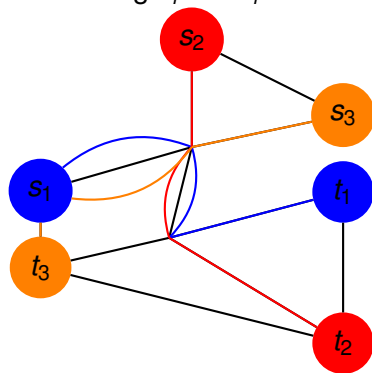
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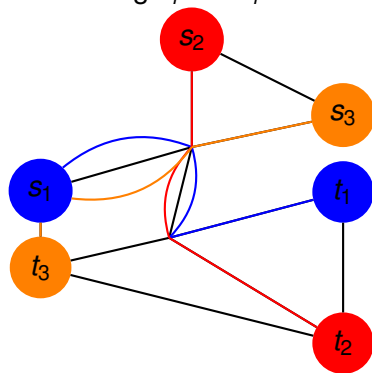
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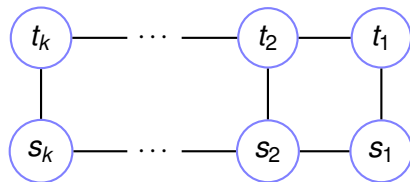
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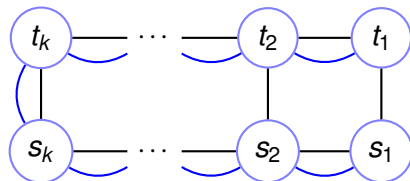
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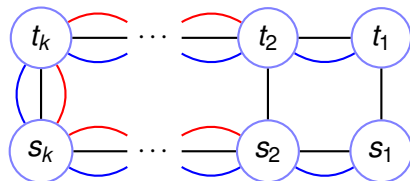
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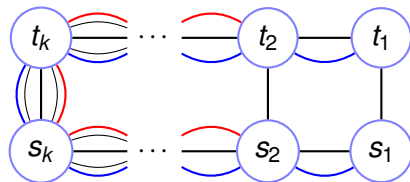
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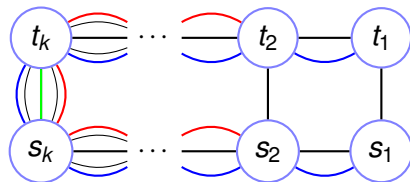
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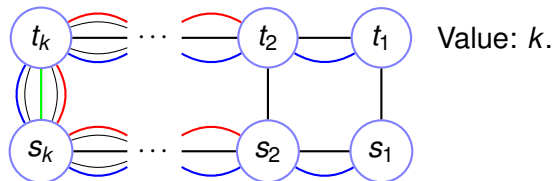
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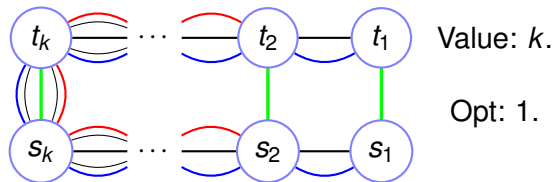
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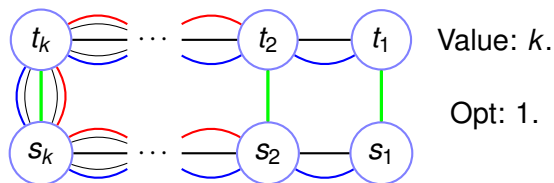
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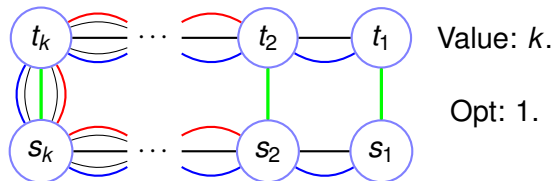
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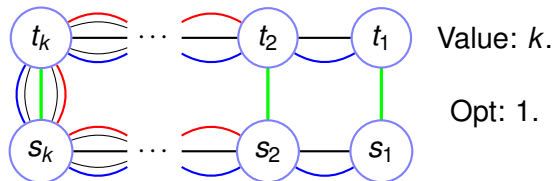
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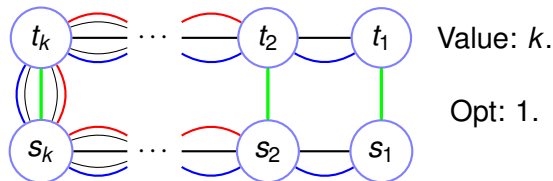
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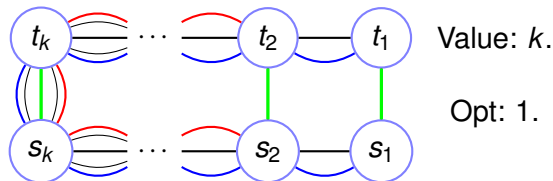
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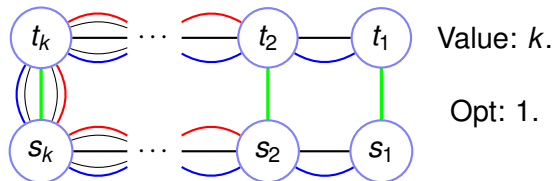
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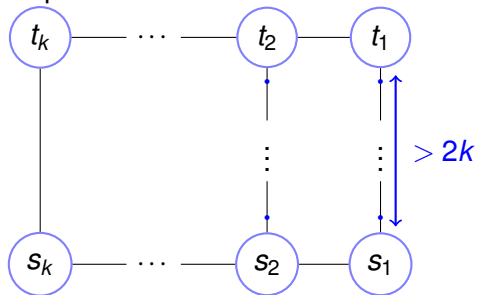
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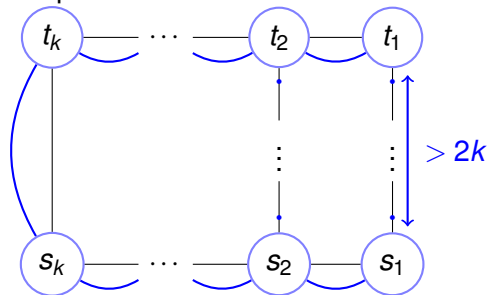
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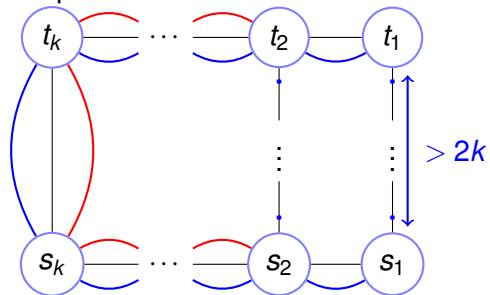
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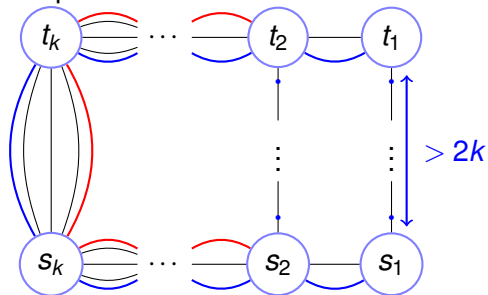
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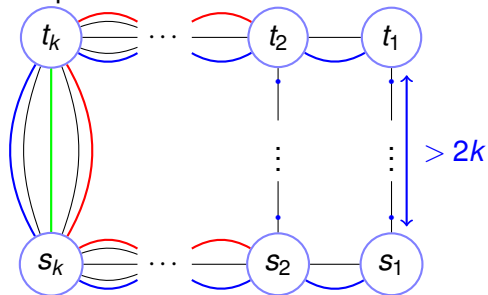
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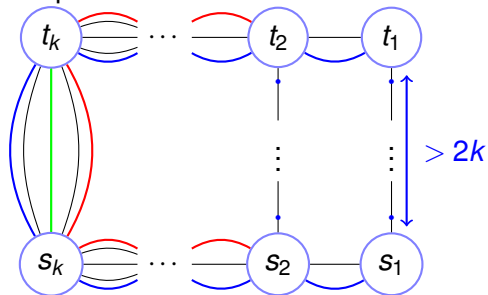
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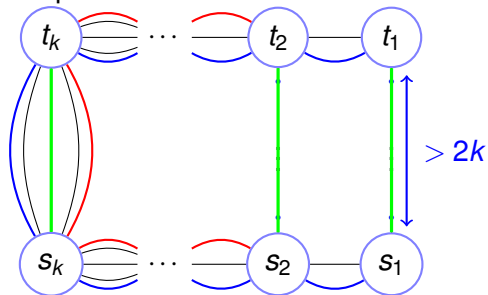


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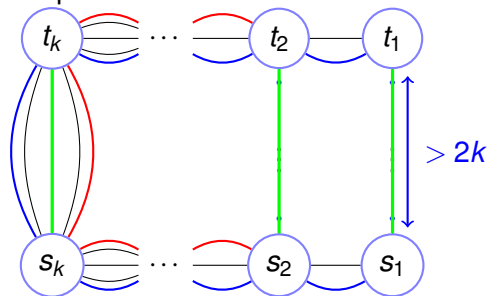
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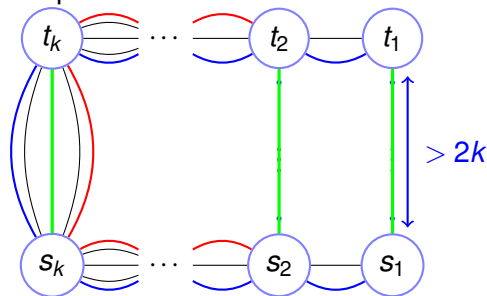
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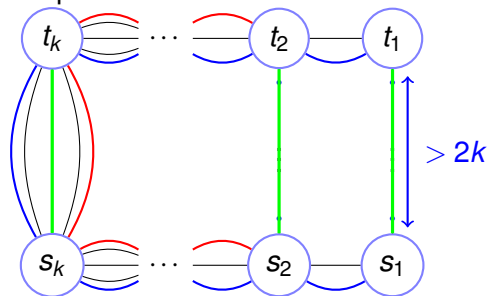
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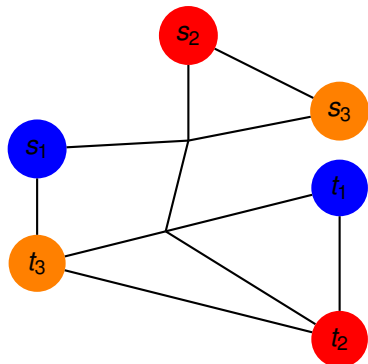
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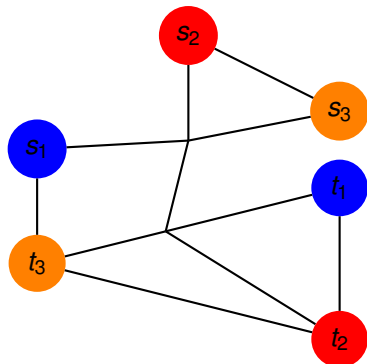
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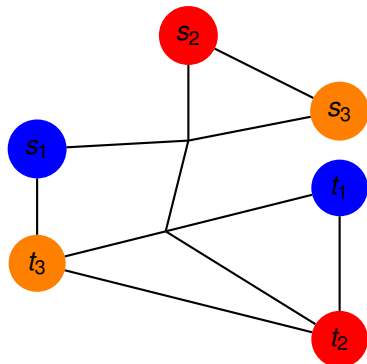
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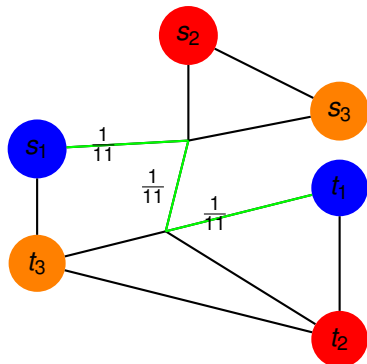
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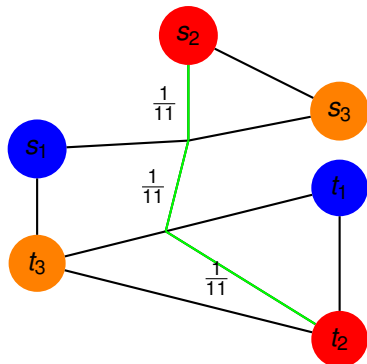
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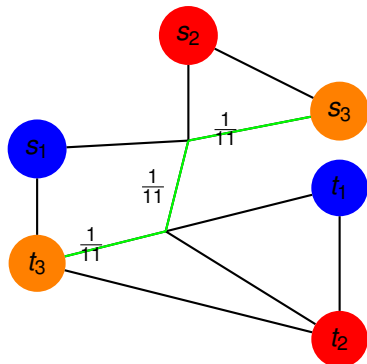
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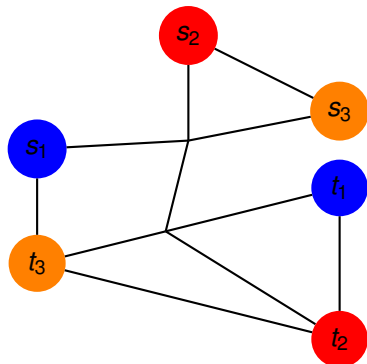
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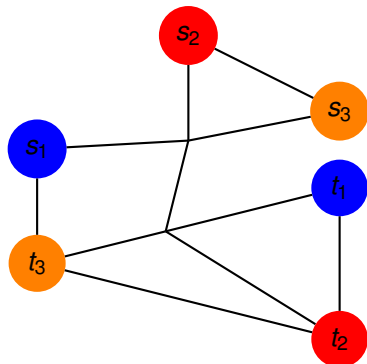


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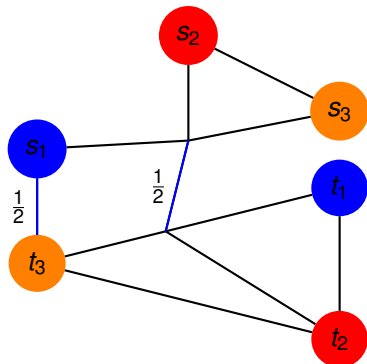
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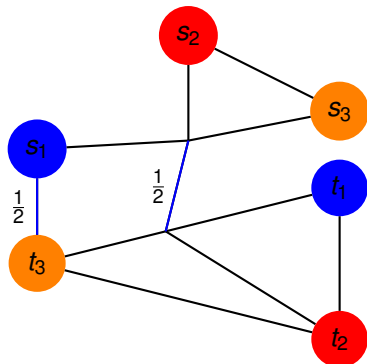
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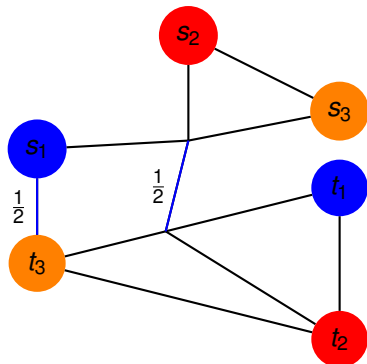
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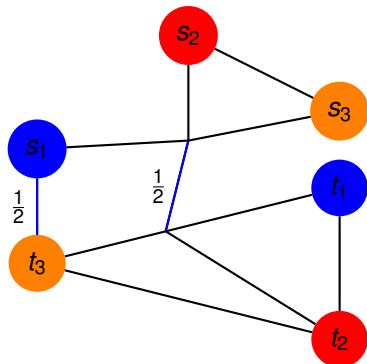
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Shall we continue?

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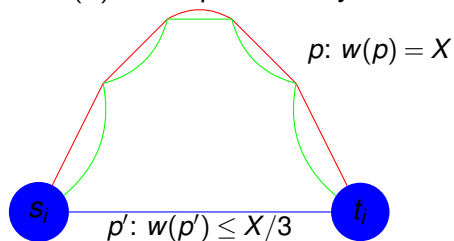
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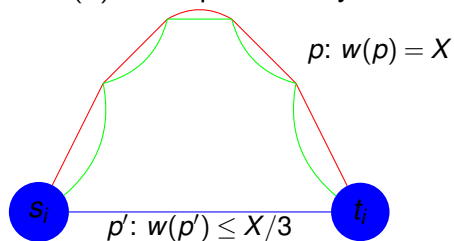
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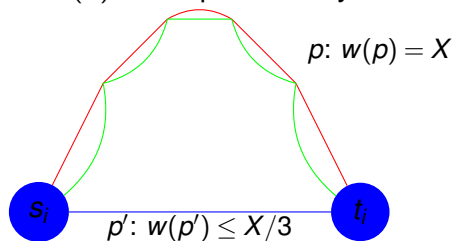
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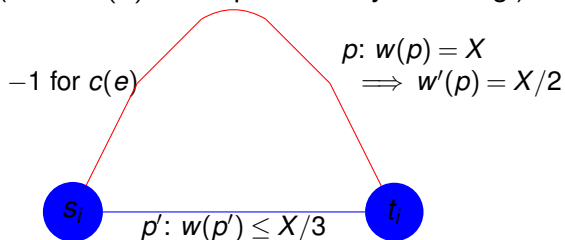


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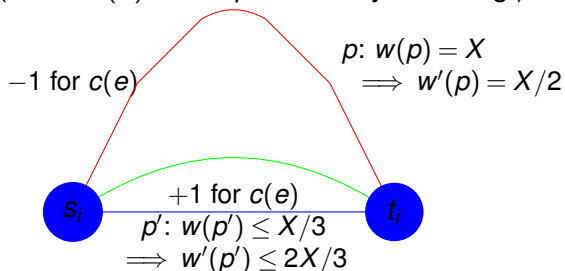
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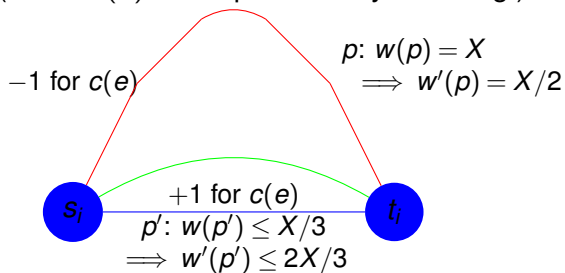
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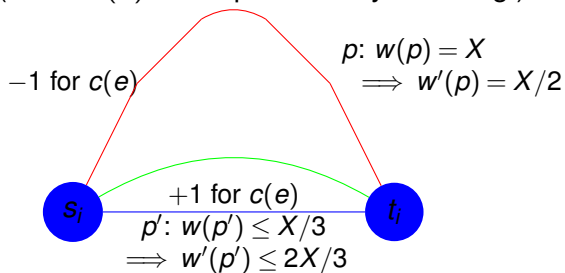
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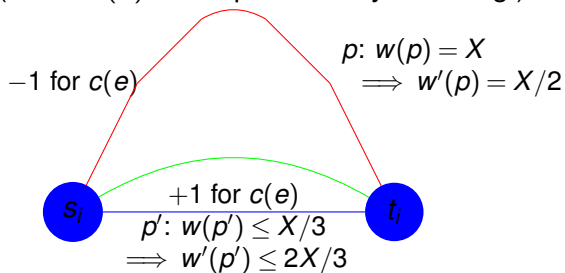
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Done for the day.....

...see you on Thursday.