

Synthesis of Network (Design)

Input : $r_{i,j} = r_{j,i} \quad \begin{matrix} i=1 \dots n \\ j=1 \dots n \end{matrix}$

Required minimum of max flow between i and j in an undirected network

[One-at-a-time]; C_{ij} Cost/unit capacity on edge i,j

Output: Undirected edge capacities $U_{i,j}$;
 $i=1 \dots n, j=1 \dots n$ (i.e. $U_{j,i} = U_{i,j} \quad \forall i,j$)

So that we can send $r_{i,j}$ flow from i to j in such a graph $\forall i,j$ and

$$\text{Min } \sum_{j \neq i} \sum_{i < j} C_{i,j} U_{i,j}$$

Linear Programming Formulation

$$U_{i,j} \geq 0 \quad i < j; \quad \begin{matrix} i=1 \dots n \\ j=1 \dots n \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Undirected} \\ \text{graph} \\ \text{capacities} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\sum_{\substack{i \in X \\ j \in \bar{X}}} U_{i,j} \geq \max_{\substack{I \subseteq X \\ J \subseteq \bar{X}}} r_{i,j} \quad \forall X \subseteq V$$

$$\text{Min } \sum_{i < j} C_{i,j} U_{i,j}$$

Even though the number of constraints is (2)
exponential, this problem can be solved in
polynomial time by ellipsoid algorithm for example.

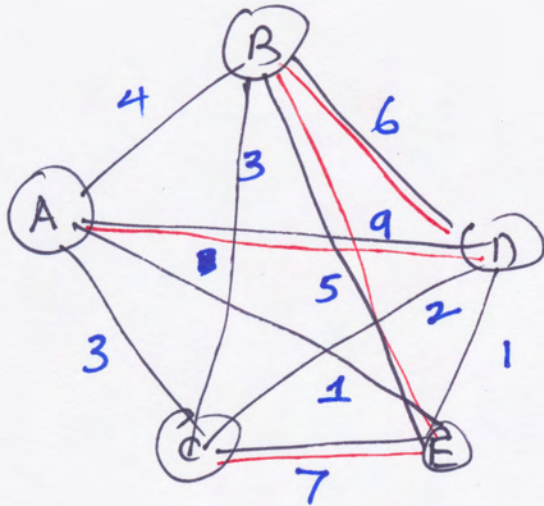
We consider here a special case which has
an elegant solution due to T.C. Hu and R.E. Gomory
[See also Mayeda, et al]. This algorithm of

Hu-Gomory yields half-integral optimal
solutions when the ^{input} data is integral. All this
when $c_{ij} = 1 \forall i, j$. [Could be any constant

but all must be equal]. There are two
~~different~~ algorithms ~~along the same line~~ given by
T.C. Hu & R.E. Gomory.

Let G be a complete graph on n vertices
(normally denoted by K_n) with edge
weights equal to $\{r_{i,j}\}$. This is called the
requirements graph.
(demand)

An example is shown on the next page

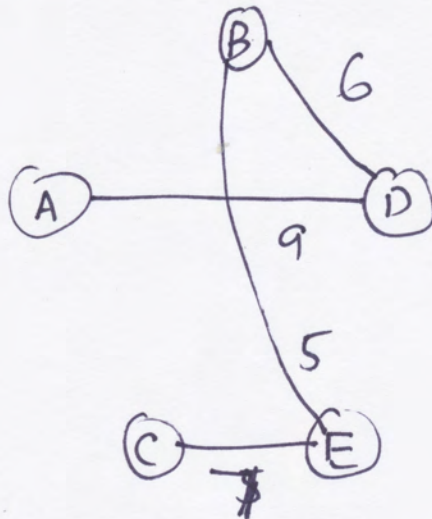


r_{ij} in blue

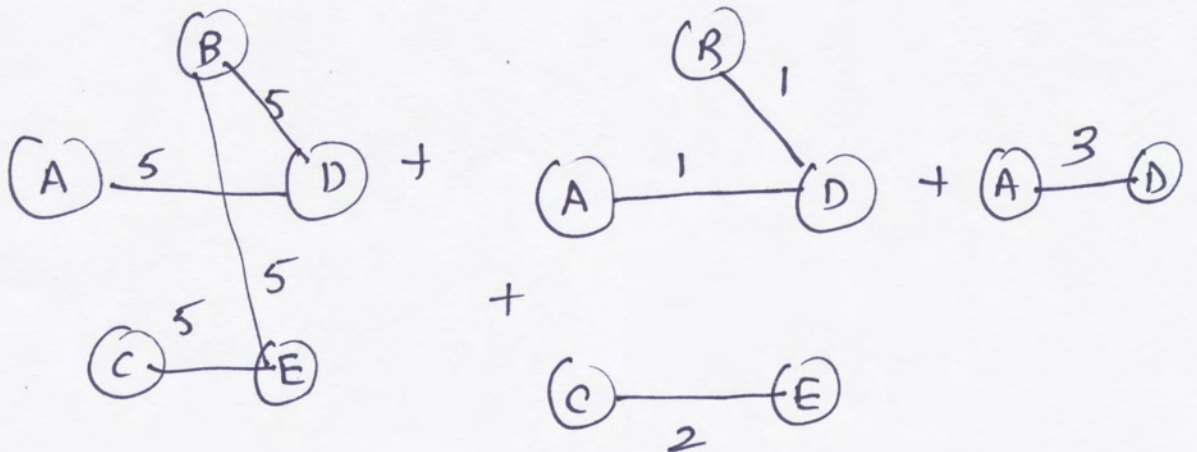
Requirements graph
Max. Sp. Tree in red

Algorithm I

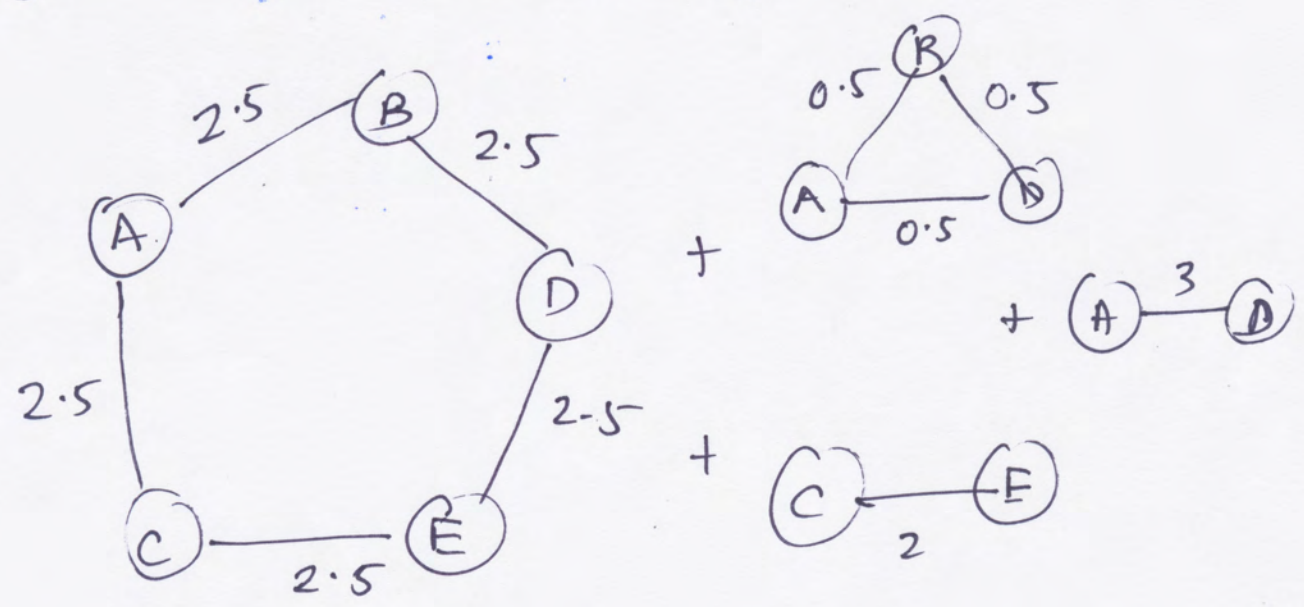
Step 1: Find a max. sp. tree in (G, r)



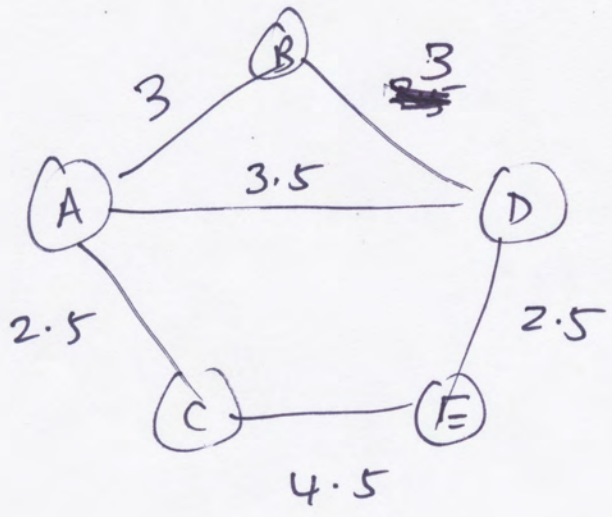
Step 2: Decompose into "uniform" trees



Step 3: For each uniform tree, Construct
a cycle on those nodes with half
the value of edges in the tree
any? ←



Step 4 Superpose all of these (i.e. add capacities for each edge in each cycle) to get

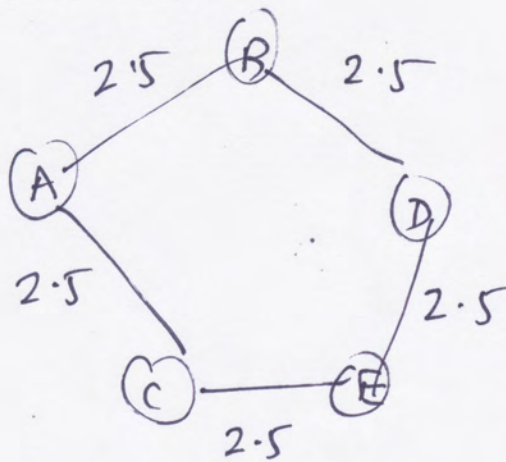


this is the output

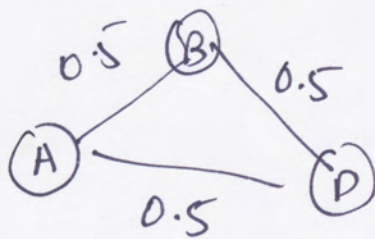
Proof of Connectedness.

(5)

Feasibility



→ provides for 5 units of flow between i and $j \forall i, j$.



→ Provides for 1 unit of flow between i and $j ; i, j \in \{A, B, C, D\}$

∴ Overall network provides for the "dominant" requirements (that of max-sp. tree) and hence using triple inequality all demands can be met with this design.

Optimality needs a more elaborate proof which follows on next page.

LP has one constraint per set $X \subseteq V$. (6)

\therefore The number of constraints is 2^n ; $|V| = n$.

We can group these into two disjoint families

1) those with $|X| = 1$; i.e. $X = \{i\}$ $i = 1 \dots n$

(There are only n of these)

2) All the rest.

If we discard all of (2), we get a "relaxed" problem; Any feasible solution to $\{(1) \& (2)\}$ is certainly feasible to $\{(1)\}$ but not

Conversely. \therefore Set of feasible solutions to $\{(1) \& (2)\} \subseteq$ set of feasible solutions to $\{(1)\}$ alone.

In general, ^{an arbitrary} optimal solution to $\{(1)\}$ alone may not be feasible to problem with $\{(1) \& (2)\}$. However, Hill and Gomory found ~~an~~ optimal solution to problem with $\{(1)\}$ alone which happens to be feasible to problem with $\{(1) \& (2)\}$ and hence also optimal to this problem.

Revisiting LP with only n constraints: (7)

$$u_{i,j} \geq 0 \quad \begin{matrix} i=1 \dots n \\ j=1 \dots n \end{matrix}; i < j$$

$$\sum_{j \neq i} u_{i,j} \geq \max_{j \neq i} r_{i,j} = \pi_i \quad i=1 \dots n$$

$$\text{Min } \sum_{i < j} u_{i,j}$$

Example: $n=4$.

$$\begin{aligned} u_{1,2} + u_{1,3} + u_{1,4} &\geq \pi_1 \\ u_{1,2} + u_{2,3} + u_{2,4} &\geq \pi_2 \\ u_{1,3} + u_{2,3} + u_{3,4} &\geq \pi_3 \\ u_{1,4} + u_{2,4} + u_{3,4} &\geq \pi_4 \end{aligned}$$

Adding these we get

$$\sum_{i < j} u_{i,j} \geq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_i \leftarrow \text{LB on the value of any optimal solution to problem with single node constraints}$$

Now we will show that our solution achieves this lower bound and hence is Min-Cost Solution.

For the graph constructed:

Max Sp. tree T on the requirements graph is a set of dominant requirements — meaning if these are satisfied so are all others. This is because,

Since T is a max sp. tree,

$$v(x, z) \geq \min [v(x, y), v(y, u), \dots, v(w, z)]$$

Where x, y, u, \dots, w, z is the path in T between (x, z)

$$\geq \min [r(x, y), r(y, u), \dots, r(w, z)]$$

Since dominant requirements are satisfied

$$\geq r(x, z)$$

Since T is max-sp. tree on r .

We have defined $\max_{j \neq i} r_{i,j} = \pi_i \quad i=1 \dots n$

If we look at $\max_{(i,j) \in T} r_{i,j} = \pi_i$

i.e at every node max edge must belong to the max. Sp. tree

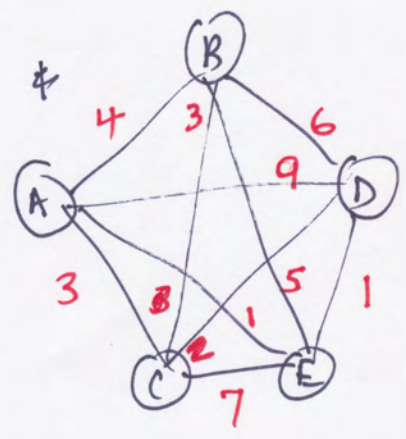
The final graph that we produce, has the (9)
 property that $\sum_{j \neq i} u_{ij} = \pi_i \quad \forall i$

$$\therefore \sum_{i < j} u_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \pi_i$$

for our solution; \therefore our solution is optimal for problem with constraints $\{1\}$ only.

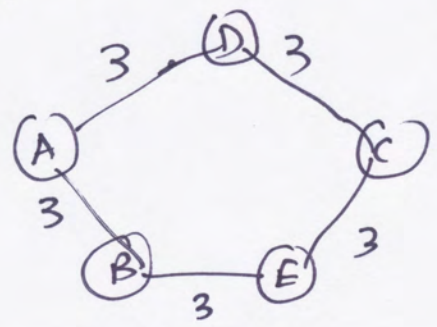
But it is feasible for problem with $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$.
 Hence it is optimal for this as well.

Algorithm II (We use the same example)



π_A	π_D	π_C	π_E	π_B (Sorted)
9	9	7	7	6

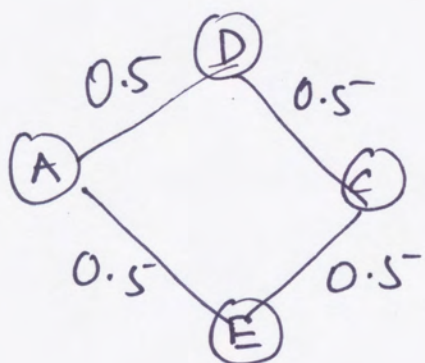
Step 1: For Cycle A-D-C-E-B : $\frac{1}{2}(6) = 3$



This takes care of 6 units of flow for any pair.

π_A^{new}	π_D^{new}	π_C^{new}	π_E^{new}	π_B^{new}
3	3	1	1	0

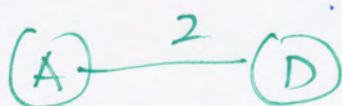
Step 2: For cycle A-D-C-E : $\frac{1}{2}(1) = 0.5$



Adds 1 unit of flow for each pair in $\{A, D, C, E\}$ bringing total to 7

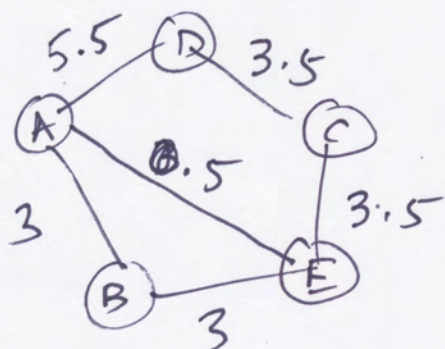
Step 3 :

π_A^{new}	π_D^{new}	π_C^{new}	π_E^{new}	π_B^{new}
2	2	0	0	0



Brings AD total to 9 as required.

Step 4: Super pose to get



At each node

$$\sum_{j \neq i} u_{ij} = \pi_i$$

\therefore This is also optimal

This solution gives max flow without \uparrow total cost.