COL351: Analysis and Design of Algorithms

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- Main Idea: Reduction
  1. We will obtain an algorithm A for a *Network Flow* problem.
     - We discussed Ford-Fulkerson and there are many more.
  2. Given a new problem, we will *rephrase* this problem as a Network Flow problem.
     - Given a bipartite graph, we constructed a network graph by adding edges from a source to vertices in the left and edges from vertices on the right to a sink etc.
  3. We will then use algorithm A to solve the rephrased problem and obtain a solution.
     - We used Ford-Fulkerson to obtain a flow with maximum value for the network graph constructed.
  4. Finally, we build a solution for the original problem using the solution to the rephrased problem.
     - We used the flow to construct a matching and then argued that this will be a maximum matching.

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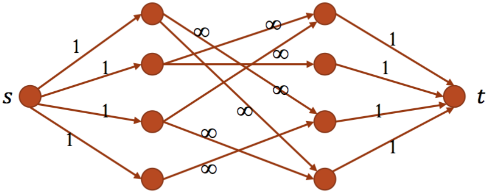

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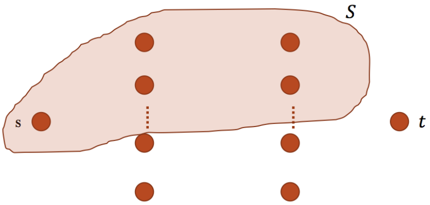

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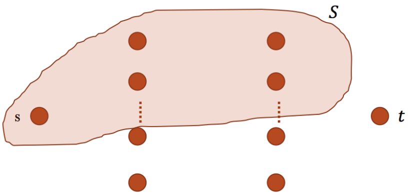

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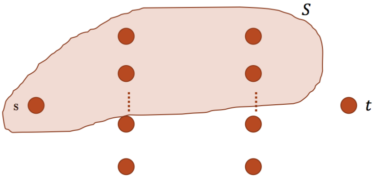

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- This is a constructive proof since we can find a subset A' such that $|A'| > |N(A')|$.
- Such an A' may be interpreted as a *certificate* of the fact that there is no perfect matching in G.

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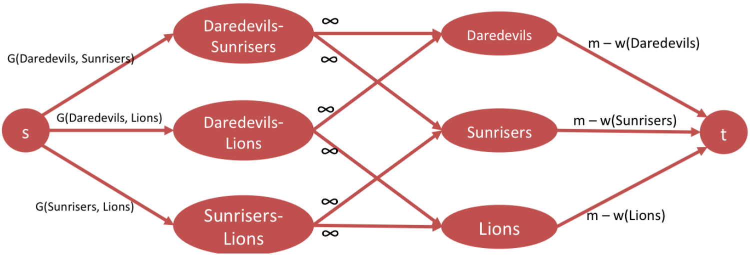

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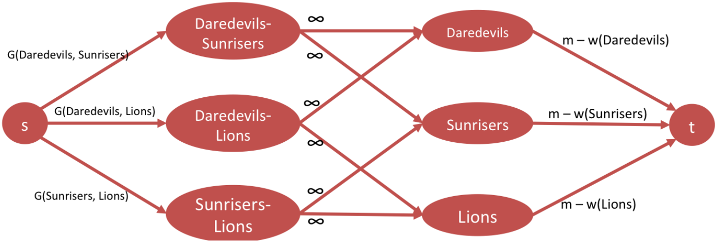

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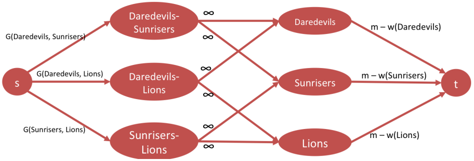

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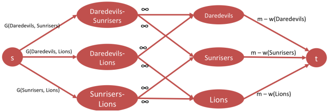

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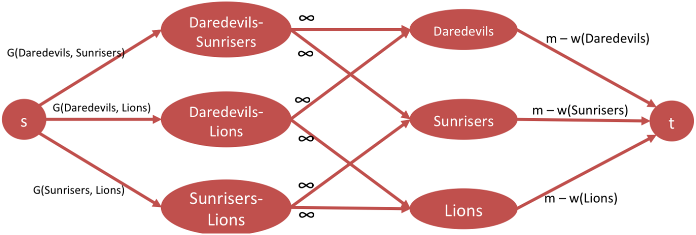

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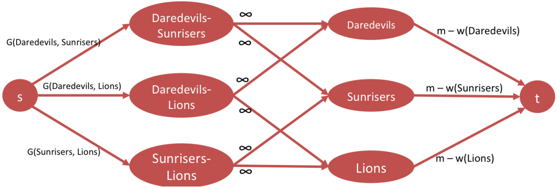

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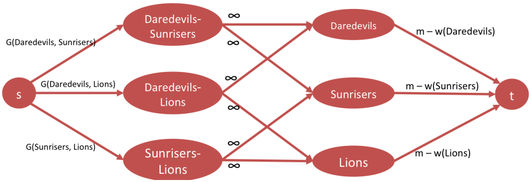

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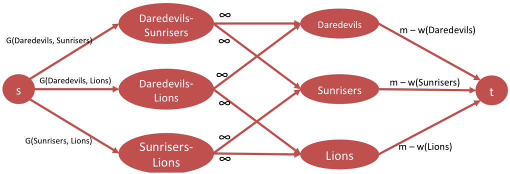

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$$\Rightarrow \quad m \cdot |T| - \sum_{i \in T} w(i) + (g^* - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset T} G(i,j)) < g^*$$

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