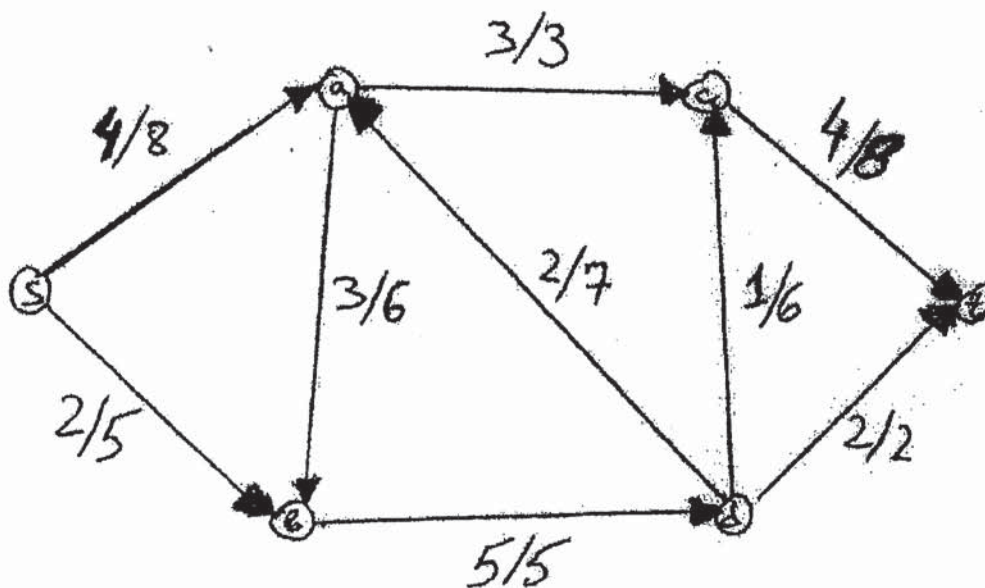


**Question 1. (CONTINUED)**

Part (c) [6 MARKS]

Consider the following flow network  $G$  with a flow  $f$  on it. On each edge  $e$  we write  $f(e)/c(e)$  the flow through  $e$  and its capacity.



Compute the residual graph  $G_f$  and indicate an augmenting path on it.

**Part (d)** [6 MARKS]

Do one step of Ford-Fulkerson's algorithm on  $G$  using the above augmenting path. Draw the resulting flow below.

If your solution is correct, you will obtain a max-flow in  $G$ . Show that this is indeed a max-flow, by exhibiting an appropriate cut in  $G$ .

**Part (e)** [6 MARKS]

Decide whether the following statement is true or false. If it is true, give a brief explanation why. If it is false, give a counterexample.

Let  $G$  be a flow network such that all the capacities in  $G$  are distinct. Then there is a unique max-flow in  $G$ .

**Question 5.** (Applications of Network Flows) [20 MARKS]

Consider the following problem of allocating students to classes. There are  $n$  students  $s_1, s_2, \dots, s_n$  and  $m$  classes  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_m$ . Each class  $C_j$  has its maximum enrollment capacity  $c_j$ . Each student  $s_i$  has a list  $L_i$  of 12 courses she would like to take during the next year. The university should enroll the student into 10 out of the 12 requested classes. The goal is to find an enrollment of the students to classes that satisfies the following conditions:

- the number of students in each class  $C_j$  does not exceed the capacity  $c_j$ ;
- each student  $s_i$  is enrolled into exactly 10 classes from the list  $L_i$ .

**Part (a)** [10 MARKS]

Show how to convert this problem into a Max-Flow problem on a flow network.

**Part (b)** [4 MARKS]

Under what conditions on the max-flow on the network from part (a) is it possible to give an enrollment as required by the problem? Give a brief explanation.

**Part (c)** [6 MARKS]

Assume that the enrollment as required by the problem exists. Show how to obtain it from a max-flow on the network from part (a).

Explain why this enrollment satisfies the conditions.

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