



Chapter 2

Trees and Graphs

§ 2.2 Vector Spaces of Graphs



2.2 Vector Spaces of Graphs

- Def: ① $\begin{cases} \text{vertex-space } \mathcal{V}(G) \equiv \text{the vector space of all functions from } V(G) \text{ into } R. \\ \text{edge-space } \mathcal{E}(G) \equiv \text{the vector space of all functions from } E(G) \text{ into } R. \end{cases}$
- ② (G, w) is called a **weighted graph**: G : a loopless graph, $w \in \mathcal{E}(G)$.
 - w is called a **weighted function** and
 - $w(a)$ is called a **weight** of the edge a of G
 - write $w(x, y)$ for $w((x, y))$ if $(x, y) \in E(G)$
- ③ $\forall B \subseteq E(G)$ in (G, w) write $w(B) = \sum_{a \in B} w(a)$
 $\forall S \subseteq V(G), S \neq \emptyset$ in (G, w) , write $\begin{cases} w^+(S) = w(E_G^+(S)); \\ w^-(S) = w(E_G^-(S)). \end{cases}$



Chapter 4

Flows and Connectivity

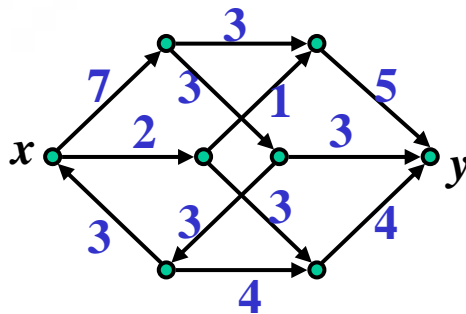
§ 4.1 Network Flows



4.1 Network Flows

- Def:
 - A connected weighted loopless graph (G, w) with two specified vertices x, y , called the **source** and the **sink**, respectively, is called a **network** $(N = (G_{xy}, w))$.
 - W.L.O.G., a network is a simple digraph.
 - If w is a nonnegative **capacity function** c , then the network $N = (G_{xy}, c)$ is called a **capacity network**, and the value $c(a)$ is the **capacity** of a .
 - If $c(a)$ is an integer for any $a \in E(G)$, then N is called an **integral capacity network**.

• ex:

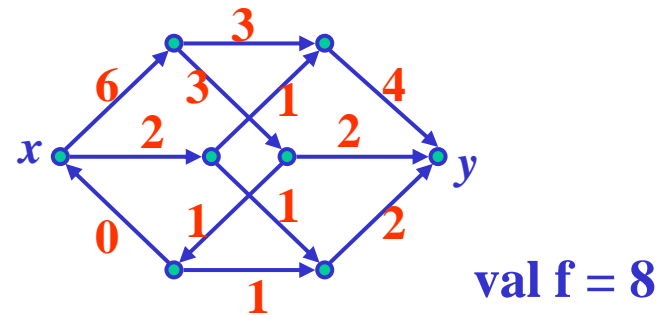
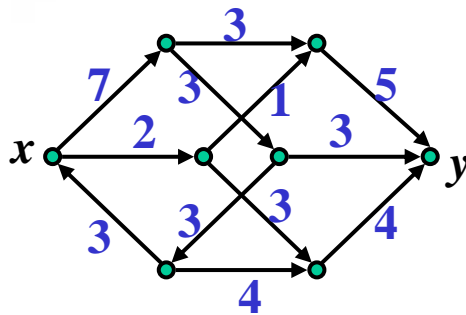




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- **Def:**
 - $N = (G_{xy}, c)$ is a capacity network. A function $f: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a **flow** in N from x to y , in short **(x, y) -flow**, if it satisfies:
 - (4.1) $0 \leq f(a) \leq c(a), \forall a \in E(G)$, **the capacity constraint condition**
 - (4.2) $f^+(u) = f^-(u), \forall u \in V(G) \setminus \{x, y\}$, **the conservation condition**
 - **zero flow:** $f(a) = 0, \forall a \in E(G)$
 - The **value** of f , $\text{val } f \equiv f^+(x) - f^-(x) = f^-(y) - f^+(y)$
 - An (x, y) -flow f in N is **maximum** if $\nexists (x, y)$ -flow f' in N s.t. $\text{val } f' > \text{val } f$.

• **ex:**

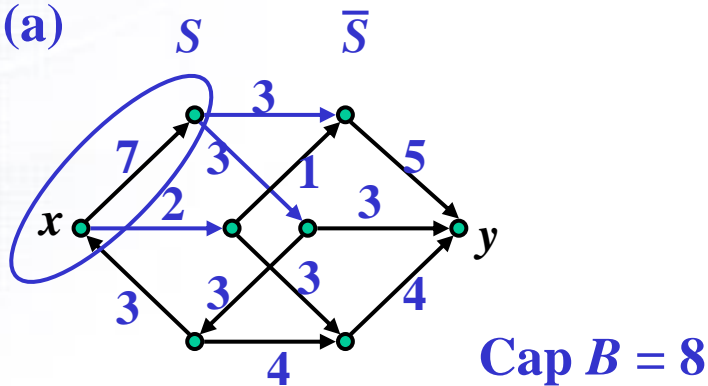




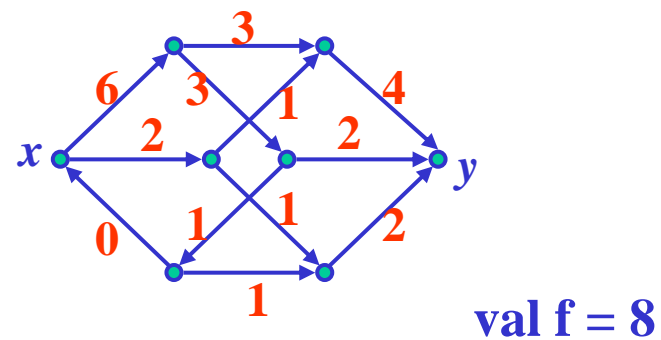
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- Def:
 - An **(x, y)-cut** in N is a set of edges of the form (S, \bar{S}) , where $x \in S$ and $y \in \bar{S}$.
 - The **capacity** of an (x, y) -cut B , $\text{cap } B \equiv c(B) = \sum_{a \in B} c(a)$
 - An (x, y) -cut B in N is **minimum** if \nexists (x, y) -cut B' in N s.t. $\text{cap } B' < \text{cap } B$.

• **ex:** (a)



(b)





4.1 Network Flows

- **Theorem 4.1: (max-flow min-cut theorem)** In any capacity network, the value of a maximum flow is equal to the capacity of a minimum cut.
- **Corollary 4.1:** In any integral capacity network, there must be an integral maximum flow, and its value is equal to the capacity of a minimum cut.



Chapter 4

Flows and Connectivity

§ 4.2 Menger's Theorem



4.2 Menger's Theorem

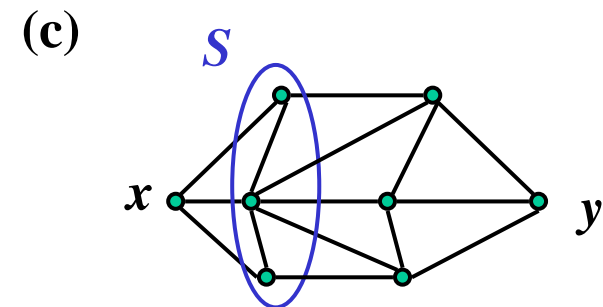
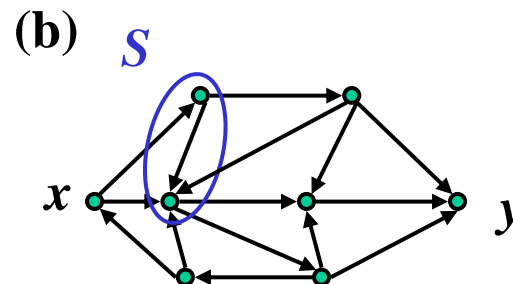
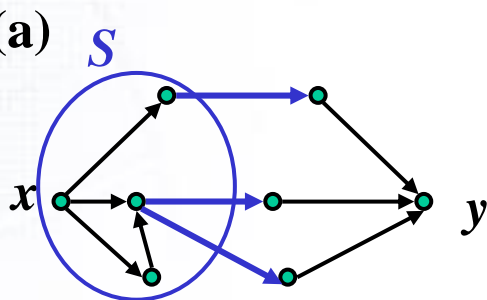
- Def: ① $x, y \in V(G)$, (x, y) -paths P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n in G is called
 - $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{internally disjoint if } V(P_i) \cap V(P_j) = \{x, y\}, \forall 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n. \\ \text{edge-disjoint if } E(P_i) \cap E(P_j) = \emptyset, \forall 1 \leq i \neq j \leq n. \end{array} \right.$
- ② The maximum numbers of internally disjoint and edge-disjoint (x, y) -paths in G is denoted by $\zeta_G(x, y)$ and $\eta_G(x, y)$, respectively. /zeta/, /eta/
- Def: ① $\lambda_G(x, y) \equiv$ minimum number of edges in an (x, y) -cut in G , which is called the **local edge-connectivity** of G .
- ② $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq V(G) \setminus \{x, y\}$ is said to be an **(x, y) -separating set** in G if \nexists (x, y) -path in $G - S$.
- ③ $\kappa_G(x, y) \equiv$ minimum cardinality of an (x, y) -separating set in G , which is called the **local (vertex-)connectivity** of G .



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- **Remark:** ① $\eta_G(x, y) \leq \lambda_G(x, y), \forall x, y \in V(G)$.
② $\zeta_G(x, y) \leq \kappa_G(x, y), \forall x, y \in V(G)$.

• **ex:** (a)





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• **Corollary 4.1:** In any integral capacity network, there must be an integral maximum flow, and its value is equal to the capacity of a minimum cut.

- **Theorem 4.2:** Let x, y be two distinct vertices in a graph G . Then $\eta_G(x, y) = \lambda_G(x, y)$.

Proof.

Consider a capacity network $N = (G_{xy}, c)$ with $c(e) = 1, \forall e \in E(G)$.

By **Corollary 4.1**, \exists a max. (x, y) -integral flow f and a min. (x, y) -cut B s.t.
 $\text{val } f = \text{cap } B$.

$\Rightarrow \lambda_G(x, y) \leq |B| = \text{cap } B = \text{val } f$

Let $H = G_f$, the **support** of f (= the subgraph of G induced by the set of edges at which the value of f is nonzero.)

$\because c(e) = 1, \forall e \in E(G), \therefore f(e) = 1 \forall e \in E(H)$.

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} d_H^+(x) - d_H^-(x) = \text{val } f = d_H^-(y) - d_H^+(y), \\ d_H^+(u) = d_H^-(u), \forall u \in V(G) \setminus \{x, y\}. \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$ at least $\text{val } f$ edge-disjoint (x, y) -paths in H

$\Rightarrow (\lambda_G(x, y) \leq) \text{val } f \leq \eta_G(x, y)$

By **Remark**: ①, $\eta_G(x, y) = \lambda_G(x, y)$

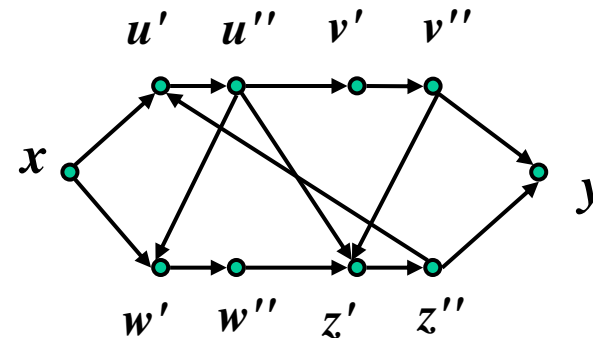
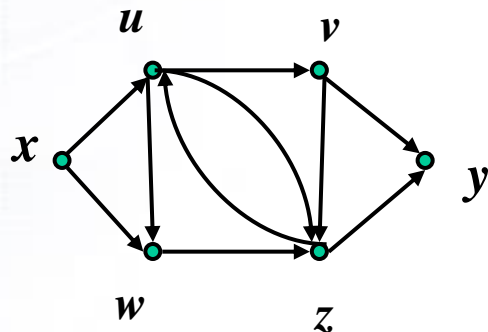
Remark: ① $\eta_G(x, y) \leq \lambda_G(x, y), \forall x, y \in V(G)$.



4.2 Menger's Theorem

- **Def:** Let $u \in V(G)$, the **split** of u is a graph $G' = (V', E')$ s.t.
 1. $V' = V \setminus \{u\} \cup \{u', u''\}$
 2. $E' = \{(x, y) \mid (x, y) \in E(G) \text{ and } x \neq u \text{ and } y \neq u\} \cup \{(u', u'')\} \cup \{(u'', y) \mid (u, y) \in E(G)\} \cup \{(x, u') \mid (x, u) \in E(G)\}$

• **ex:**



- **Theorem 4.3:** (**Menger's theorem**) $x \neq y \in V(G)$ and $(x, y) \notin E(G)$.
Then $\zeta_G(x, y) = \kappa_G(x, y)$



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§ 4.3 Connectivity



4.3 Connectivity

- Def: ① G is a strongly connected digraph, $S \neq \phi$, $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be a **separating set** if $G - S$ is not strongly connected.
② The **(vertex-) connectivity** of G ,
$$\kappa(G) = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ if } G \text{ is not strongly connected;} \\ \nu - 1 & , \text{ if } G \text{ contains a complete spanning subgraph;} \\ \min \{|S|: S \text{ is a separating set of } G\}, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$
- Note: ① Every strongly connected digraph contains a separating set provided it contains no complete graph as a spanning subgraph.
②
$$\kappa(G) = \begin{cases} \nu - 1, & \text{if } \forall x, y \in V(G), E_G(x, y) \neq \phi; \\ \min \{\kappa_G(x, y): \forall x, y \in V(G), E_G(x, y) = \phi\}, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$



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- Def: ③ If a separating set S of G , $|S| = \kappa(G)$, then S is called a **κ -separating set**.
④ A graph G is said to be **k -connected** if $\kappa(G) \geq k$.
- ex: ① $\kappa(K_n) = n - 1$
② $\kappa(C_n) = 1$, if C_n is directed for $n \geq 3$.
③ $\kappa(C_n) = 2$, if C_n is undirected for $n \geq 3$.
④ All nontrivial connected undirected graphs and strongly connected digraph are **1-connected**.



4.3 Connectivity

- Def: ① $B \neq \emptyset, B \subset E(G)$ is said to be a **directed cut** if $G - B$ is not strongly connected.
② the **edge-connectivity** of G ,
$$\lambda(G) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } G \text{ is trivial or not strongly connected;} \\ \min \{|B|: B \text{ is a directed cut of } G\}, & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$
- Note: ① every nontrivial strongly connected digraph must contain a directed cut.
② $\lambda(G) = \min \{\lambda_G(x, y): \forall x, y \in V(G)\}$.
- Def: ③ A directed cut B of G is a **λ -cut** if $|B| = \lambda(G)$.
④ G is said to be **k -edge-connected** if $\lambda(G) \geq k$.



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- **ex:** ① $\lambda(K_n) = n - 1$
 - ② $\lambda(C_n) = 1$, if C_n is directed for $n \geq 3$.
 - ③ $\lambda(C_n) = 2$, if C_n is undirected for $n \geq 3$.
 - ④ All nontrivial connected undirected graphs and strongly connected digraph are **1-edge-connected**.
- **Remark:** ① If B is a directed cut of G , then $\exists S \neq \phi, S \subset V(G)$, s.t. $(S, \bar{S}) \subseteq B$.
 - ② recall: cut is the form $[S, \bar{S}]$



4.3 Connectivity

- **Thm 4.4: (Whitney's inequality)** For any graph G , $\kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$.

Proof. (1/3)

- ① If G is trivial or empty; then $\kappa(G) = \lambda(G) = \delta(G) = 0$.
- ② We need to only prove this theorem for a loopless digraph G .

W.L.O.G. say $\delta(G) = \delta^+(G)$.

⟨a⟩ Let $x \in V(G)$ s.t. $d_G^+(x) = \delta(G)$.

$\therefore E_G^+(x)$ is a directed cut of G .

$\therefore \lambda(G) \leq |E_G^+(x)| = \delta(G)$.



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- **Thm 4.4: (Whitney's inequality)** For any graph G , $\kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$.

Proof. (2/3)

(b) Prove $\kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G)$ by induction on $\lambda(G) \geq 0$.

When $\lambda(G) = 0$, G is not strongly connected. $\therefore \kappa(G) = 0 = \lambda(G)$.

Suppose $\kappa(H) \leq \lambda(H) \forall$ digraph H with $\lambda(H) < \lambda$ and $\lambda \geq 0$.

Now, consider a digraph G with a directed cut B s.t.

$$|B| = \lambda(G) = \lambda.$$

Let $a = (x, y) \in B$, and $H = G - a$. Then $\lambda(H) \leq \lambda - 1$.

By I.H., $\kappa(H) \leq \lambda(H) \leq \lambda - 1 < \lambda(G)$

case 1: If $\exists K_{v(H)} \subseteq H$, then

so does G . i.e. $\exists K_{v(G)} \subseteq G$

$$\Rightarrow \kappa(G) = v - 1 = \kappa(H) \leq \lambda(H) \leq \lambda - 1 < \lambda(G).$$

case 2: If $\nexists K_{v(H)} \subseteq H$ then $\exists \kappa$ -separating set S in H .



4.3 Connectivity

- **Thm 4.4: (Whitney's inequality)** For any graph G , $\kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$.

Proof. (3/3)

case 2: If $\nexists K_{\nu(H)} \subseteq H$ then $\exists \kappa$ -separating set S in H .

case 2.1: If $G - S$ is not strongly connected, then

$$\kappa(G) \leq |S| = \kappa(H) \leq \lambda(H) < \lambda(G).$$

case 2.2: If $G - S$ is strongly connected:

case 2.2.1: If $\nu(G - S) = 2$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa(G) &\leq \nu - 1 = \nu(G - S) + |S| - 1 = |S| + 1 \\ &= \kappa(H) + 1 \leq \lambda(H) + 1 \leq \lambda(G). \end{aligned}$$

case 2.2.2: If $\nu(G - S) > 2$, then

either $S \cup \{x\}$ or $S \cup \{y\}$ is a separating set of G .

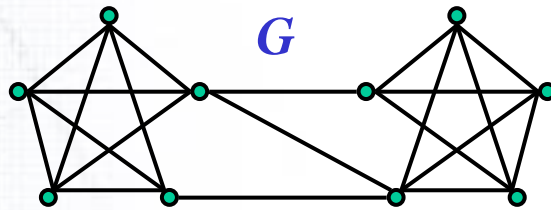
$$\therefore \kappa(G) \leq |S| + 1 = \kappa(H) + 1 \leq \lambda(H) + 1 \leq \lambda(G).$$

$\therefore \kappa(G) \leq \lambda(G)$ and the theorem following by the principle of induction.



4.3 Connectivity

• **ex:**



$$\kappa(G) = 2,$$

$$\lambda(G) = 3,$$

$$\delta(G) = 4.$$

- **Remark:** $\forall a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}$ with $0 < a \leq b \leq c$, \exists 2 graphs G_1, G_2 (undirected and directed), s.t. $\kappa(G_1) = \kappa(G_2) = a$, $\lambda(G_1) = \lambda(G_2) = b$, $\delta(G_1) = \delta(G_2) = c$.
- **Theorem 4.5:** Let G be a graph of order at least $k + 1$. Then
 - (a) $\kappa(G) \geq k \Leftrightarrow \zeta_G(x, y) \geq k, \forall x, y \in V(G)$,
 - (b) $\lambda(G) \geq k \Leftrightarrow \eta_G(x, y) \geq k, \forall x, y \in V(G)$.



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- **Theorem 4.6:** If $\kappa(G_i) > 0, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$\kappa(G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_n) \geq \kappa(G_1) + \kappa(G_2) + \dots + \kappa(G_n).$$

Furthermore, if $\kappa(G_i) = \delta(G_i) > 0 \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, then

$$\kappa(G_1 \times G_2 \times \dots \times G_n) = \kappa(G_1) + \kappa(G_2) + \dots + \kappa(G_n).$$

Particularly, $\kappa(Q_n) = n$.

- **Exercise: 4.1.1, 4.2.2(b)**
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Chapter 5

Matchings and Independent Sets

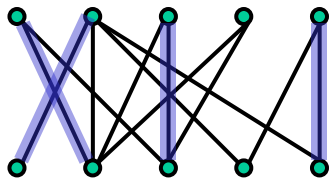
§ 5.1 Matchings (1)



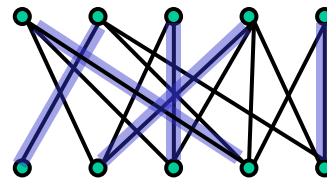
5.1 Matchings

- **Def:** G : nonempty and loopless graph
 - $M \neq \phi \subseteq E(G)$ is called a **matching** in G iff $\forall e_1, e_2 \in M, e_1, e_2$ are not adjacent in G .
 - $\forall e \in M$, if $e = (x, y)$, x, y are said to be **matched under M** .
 - $\forall x \in V(G)$, if $\exists e \in M$ s.t. $e = (x, y)$, then x is **M -saturated**, or say M **saturates x** ; otherwise, x is **M -unsaturated**.
 - A matching M is **perfect** if it saturates every vertices of G .
 - M is **maximum** if \forall matching M' in $G, |M| \geq |M'|$
- **Note:** Only discuss undirected graph.

ex: (a)



(b)





5.1 Matchings

- **Theorem 5.1: (Hall's theorem)** Let $G = (X, Y, E)$ be a bipartite graph. Then G contains a matching M that $|M| = |X| \Leftrightarrow |S| \leq |N_G(S)| \forall S \subseteq X$.

Proof. (1/2)

(\Rightarrow) Let $M = \{(x_i, y_i) \mid x_i \in X, y_i \in Y\}$ be a matching of G which saturates every $x_i \in X \Rightarrow$ all y_i are distinct

$\therefore \forall S \subseteq X, N_G(S) \supseteq \{y_i \mid \forall x_i \in S\}$

$\Rightarrow \forall S \subseteq X, |N_G(S)| \geq |S|$



5.1 Matchings

- **Theorem 5.1: (Hall's theorem)** Let $G = (X, Y, E)$ be a bipartite graph. Then G contains a matching M that $|M| = |X| \Leftrightarrow |S| \leq |N_G(S)| \forall S \subseteq X$.

Proof. (2/2)

(\Leftarrow) Suppose M is a maximum matching in G .

Construct a digraph $D: V(D) = V(G) \cup \{x, y\}$

$E(D) = \{(x, x_i) \mid x_i \in X\} \cup \{(x_i, y_j) : x_i \in X, y_j \in Y, x_i y_j \in E(G)\} \cup \{(y_j, y) \mid y_j \in Y\}$

$\zeta_D(x, y) = |M|$. Let T be a minimum (x, y) -separating set of D .

By Menger's theorem, $|M| = \zeta_D(x, y) = \kappa_D(x, y) = |T|$

Let $T_1 = T \cap X, T_2 = T \cap Y$.

$$\Rightarrow E_D(X \setminus T_1, Y \setminus T_2) = \phi$$

$$\Rightarrow N_D^+(X \setminus T_1) \subseteq T_2$$

$$\Rightarrow |M| = |T| = |T_1| + |T_2|$$

$$\geq |T_1| + |N_D^+(X \setminus T_1)|$$

$$= |T_1| + |N_G(X \setminus T_1)| \geq |T_1| + |X \setminus T_1| = |X|$$

