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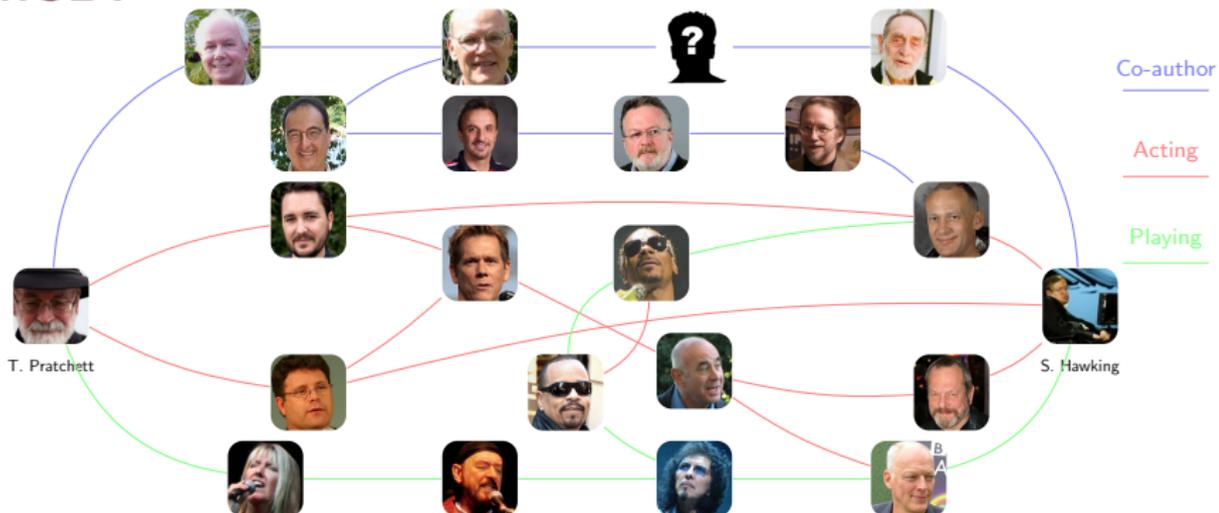
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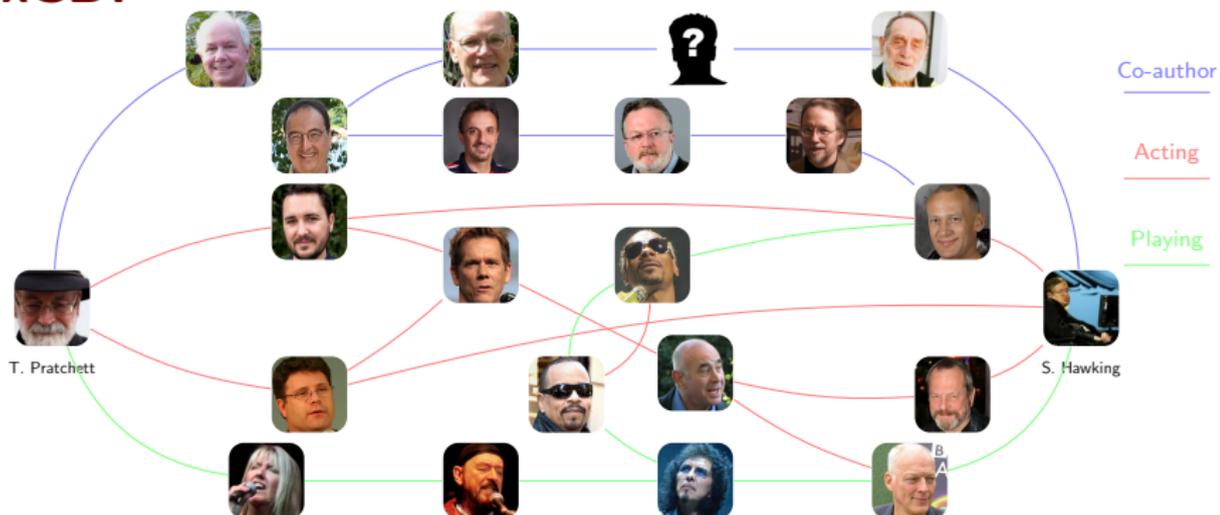
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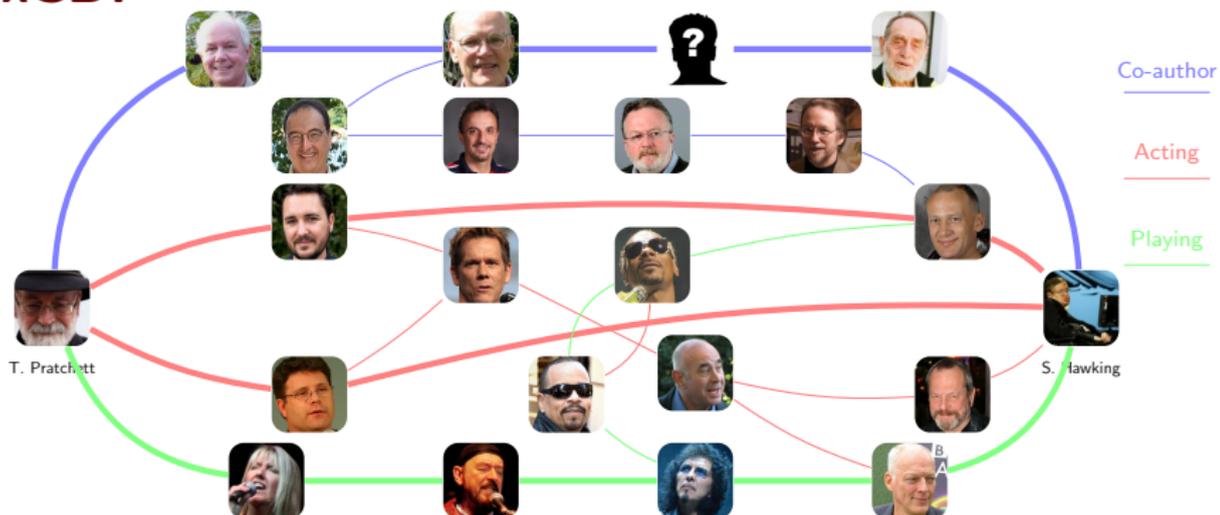


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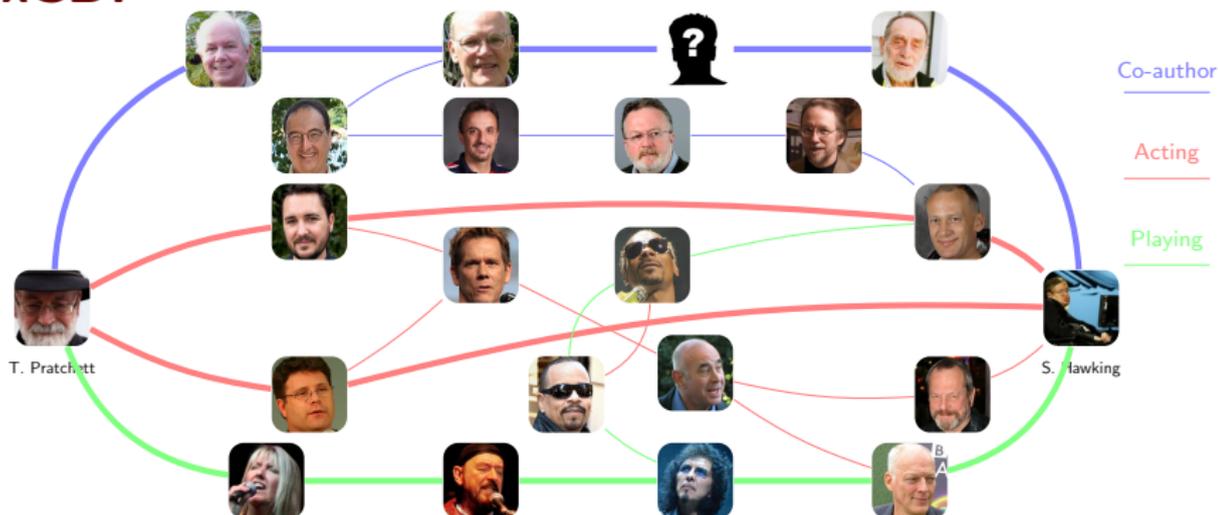
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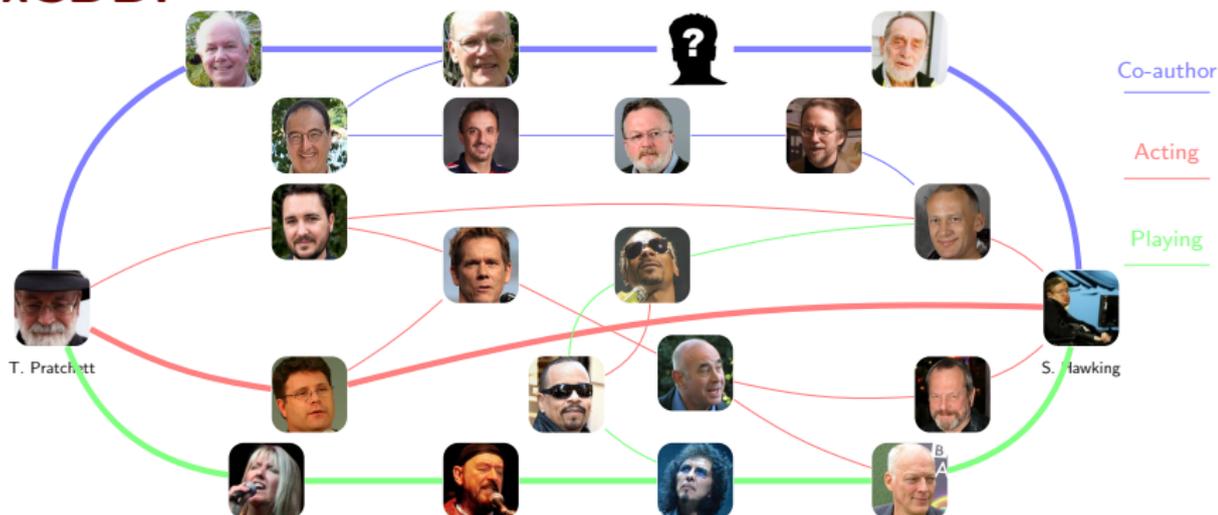
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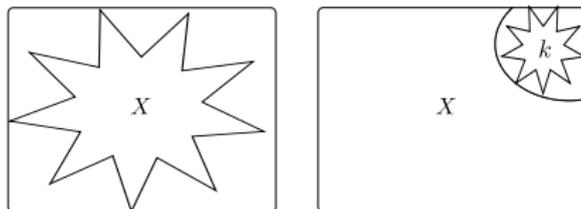
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 - ▶ But no polynomial kernel [GOLOVACH THILIKOS 11]

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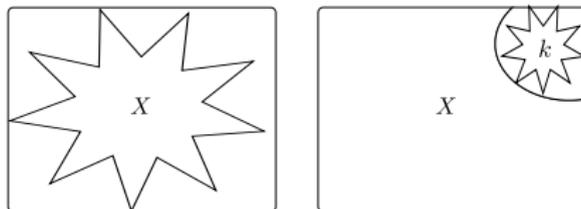
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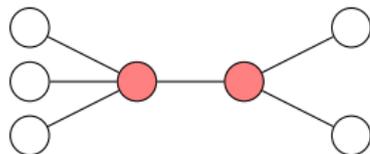
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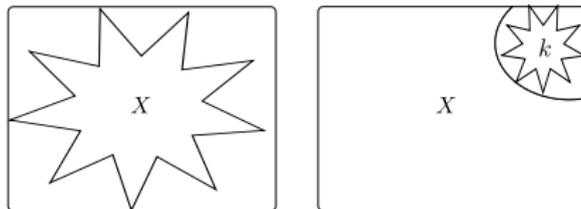


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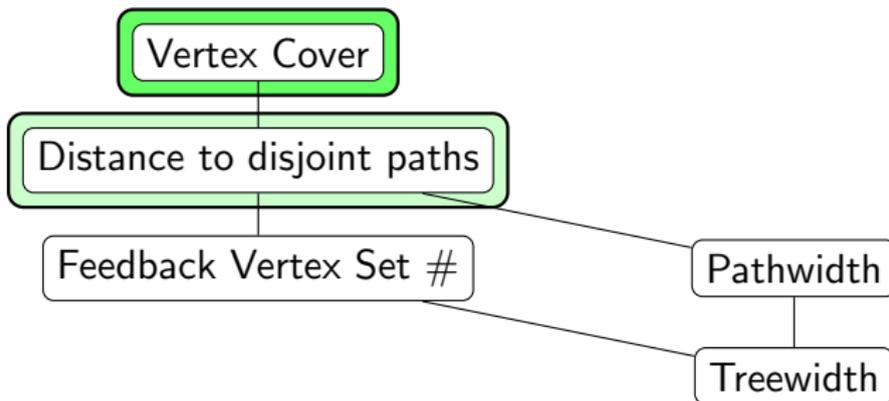


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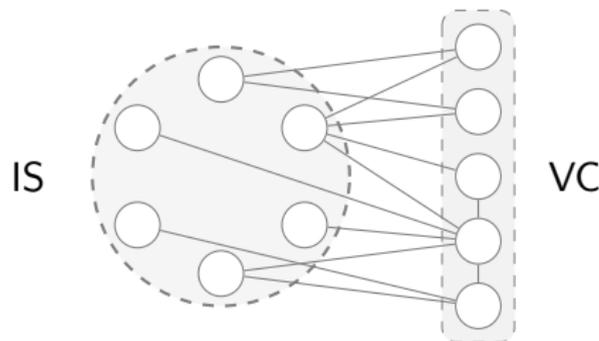
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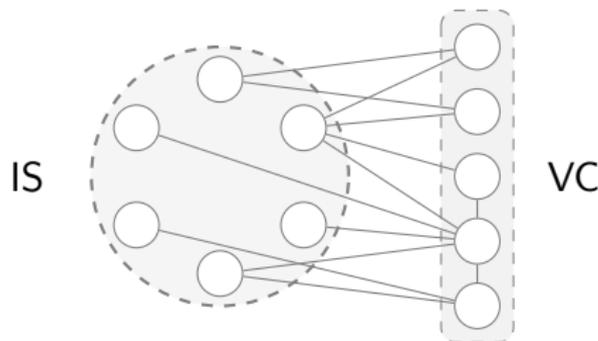
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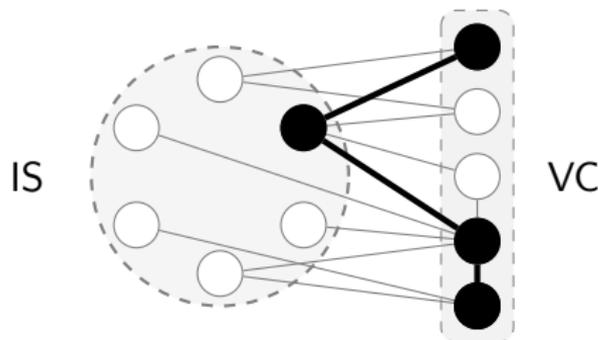
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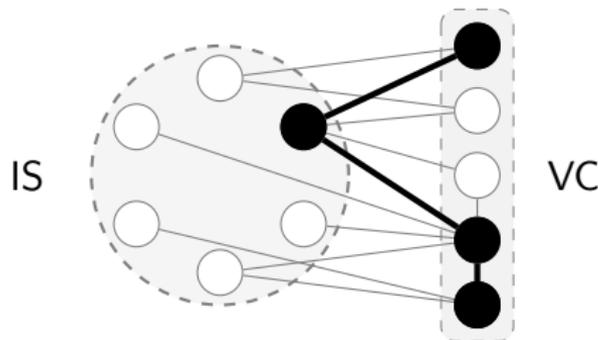
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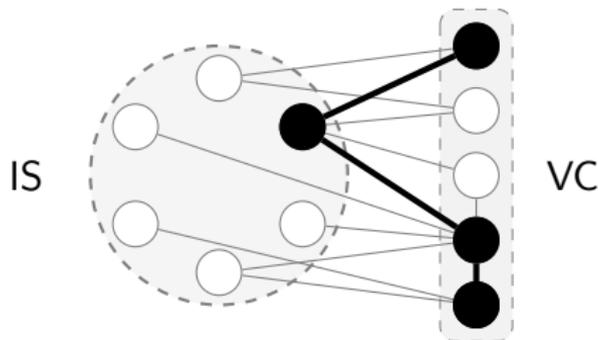
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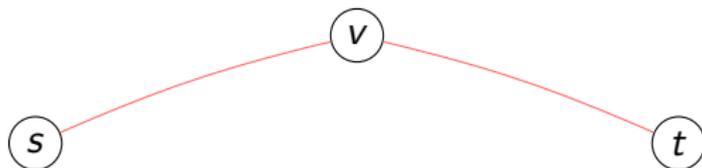
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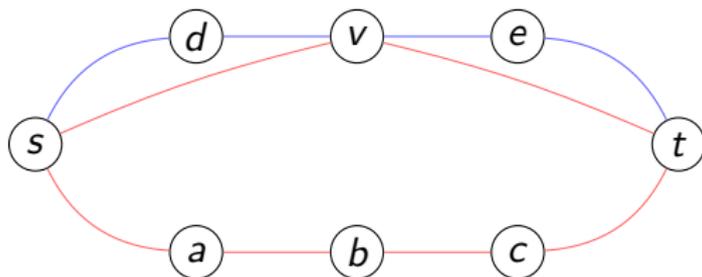
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FPT-Approximation

- ▶ A (minimization) problem is **fpt- ρ -approximable** if for any input (I, k) :
 - ▶ If $\text{opt}(I) \leq k$, computes a solution of value bounded by $\rho(k) \cdot k$ in time $f(k)|I|^{O(1)}$,
 - ▶ Otherwise, output can be arbitrary .

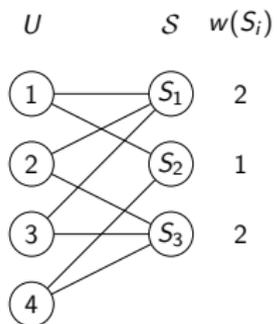
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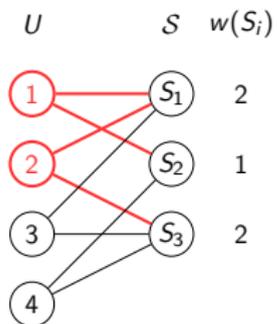
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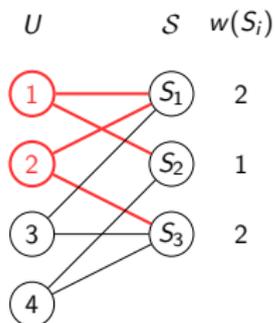


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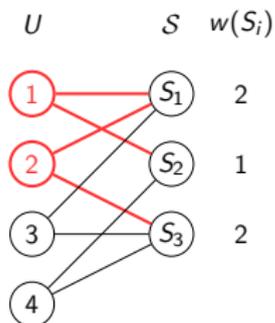
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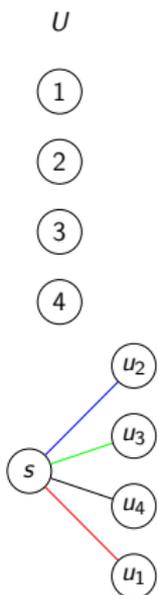
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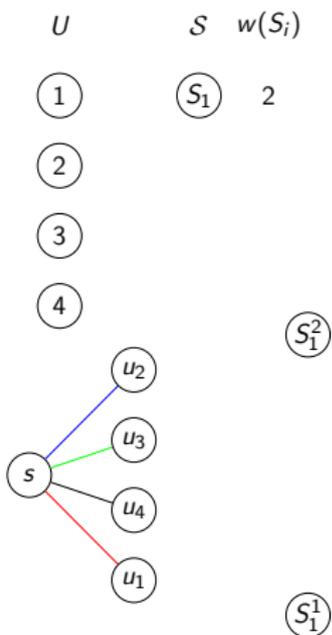
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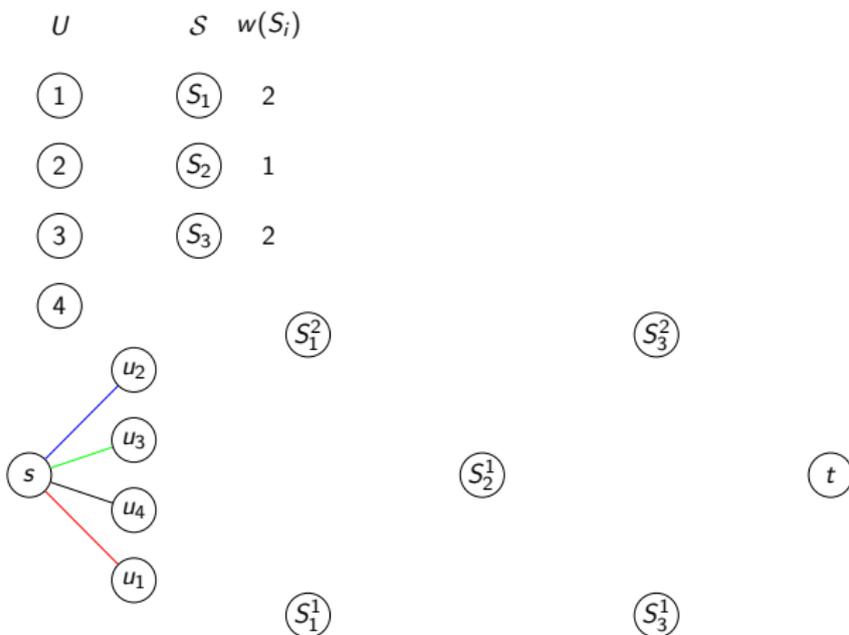
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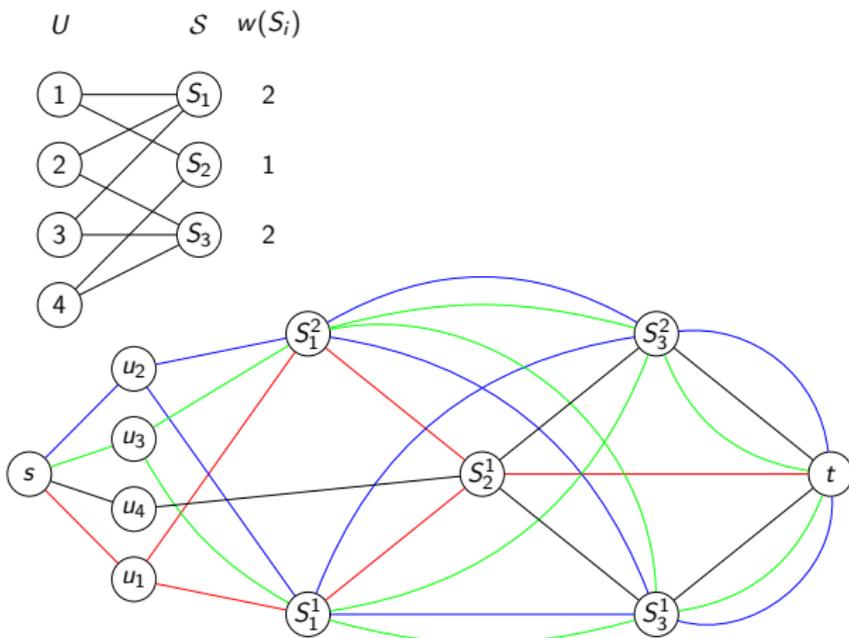
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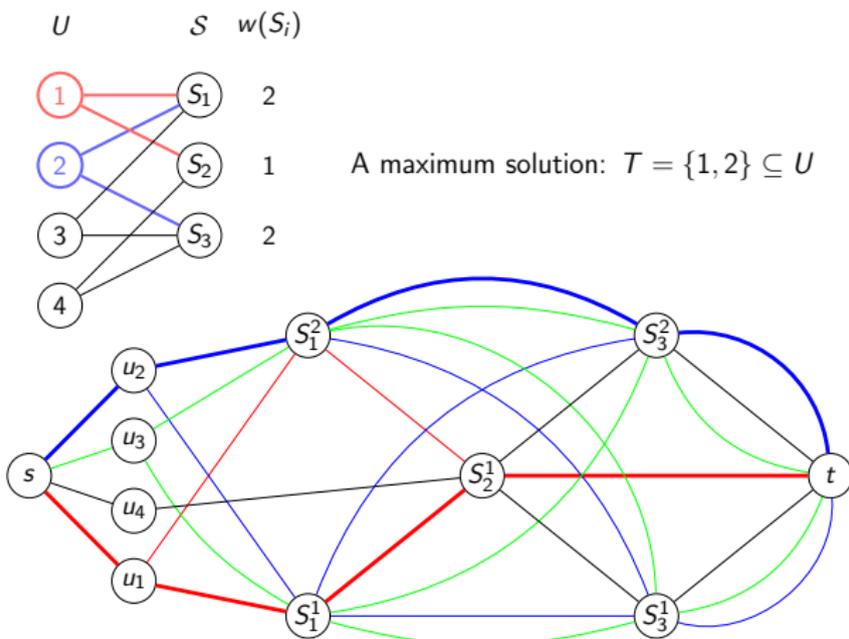
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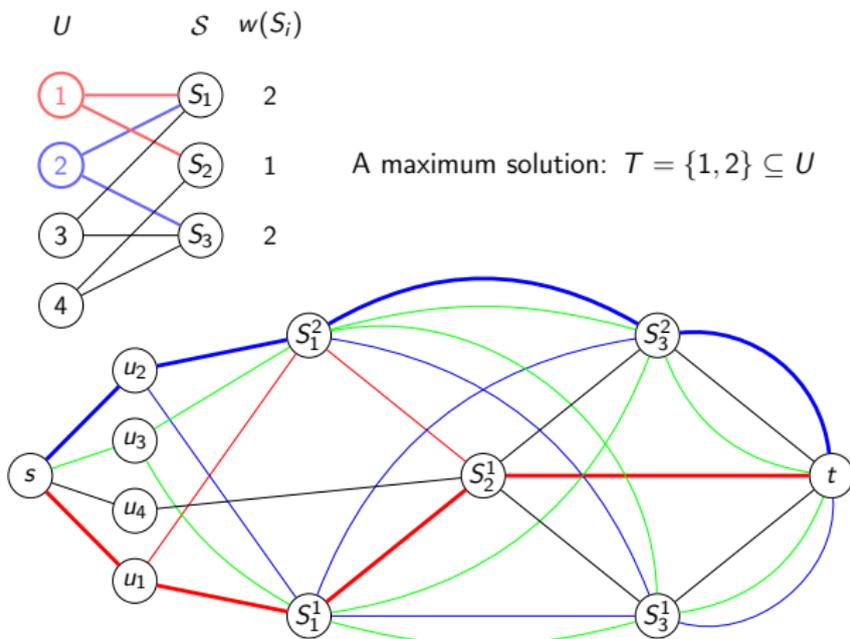
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- ▶ Reduction with one-to-one correspondence between solutions.
 - ▶ MaxCDP (and MaxCDDP du to the s_i) are not fpt- ρ -approximable, for any function ρ (unless $\text{FPT} = \text{W}[1]$).

Open questions

- ▶ Complexity on **special class** of graphs? (planar + 2 colors ?)
- ▶ Parameterized complexity w.r.t. **feedback vertex set** ? (XP ? FPT ?)
- ▶ Fine grained complexity lower bounds?

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