Weighted Graphs



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Weighted Graphs

- In a weighted graph, each edge has an associated numerical value, called the weight of the edge
- Edge weights may represent, distances, costs, etc.
- Example:
 - In a flight route graph, the weight of an edge represents the distance in miles between the endpoint airports



Shortest Path Problem

- Given a weighted graph and two vertices u and v, we want to find a path of minimum total weight between u and v.
 - Length of a path is the sum of the weights of its edges.
 - Example:
 - Shortest path between Providence and Honolulu
- Applications
 - Internet packet routing
 - Flight reservations
 - Driving directions





Shortest Path Properties

Property 1:

A subpath of a shortest path is itself a shortest path

- Property 2:
 - There is a tree of shortest paths from a start vertex to all the other vertices
- Example:

Tree of shortest paths from Providence



Dijkstra's Algorithm

- The distance of a vertex
 v from a vertex s is the
 length of a shortest path
 between s and v
- Dijkstra's algorithm computes the distances of all the vertices from a given start vertex s
- Assumptions:
 - the graph is connected
 - the edges are undirected
 - the edge weights are nonnegative

- We grow a "cloud" of vertices, beginning with s and eventually covering all the vertices
- We store with each vertex v a label d(v) representing the distance of v from s in the subgraph consisting of the cloud and its adjacent vertices

At each step

- We add to the cloud the vertex *u* outside the cloud with the smallest distance label, *d(u)*
- We update the labels of the vertices adjacent to u

Edge Relaxation











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Dijkstra's Algorithm

- A priority queue stores the vertices outside the cloud
 - Key: distance
 - Element: vertex
- Locator-based methods
 - *insert(k,e)* returns a locator
 - *replaceKey(l,k)* changes the key of an item
- We store two labels with each vertex:
 - Distance (d(v) label)
 - locator in priority queue

Algorithm *DijkstraDistances*(G, s) $Q \leftarrow$ new heap-based priority queue for all $v \in G.vertices()$ if v = ssetDistance(v, 0) else setDistance(v, ∞) $l \leftarrow Q.insert(getDistance(v), v)$ setLocator(v,l) while $\neg Q.isEmpty()$ $u \leftarrow Q.removeMin()$ for all $e \in G.incidentEdges(u)$ { relax edge *e* } $z \leftarrow G.opposite(u,e)$ $r \leftarrow getDistance(u) + weight(e)$ if r < getDistance(z)setDistance(z,r) Q.replaceKey(getLocator(z),r)

Analysis



Graph operations

- Method incidentEdges is called once for each vertex
- Label operations
 - We set/get the distance and locator labels of vertex z O(deg(z)) times
 - Setting/getting a label takes O(1) time

Priority queue operations

- Each vertex is inserted once into and removed once from the priority queue, where each insertion or removal takes O(log n) time
- The key of a vertex in the priority queue is modified at most deg(w) times, where each key change takes O(log n) time
- Dijkstra's algorithm runs in $O((n + m) \log n)$ time provided the graph is represented by the adjacency list structure
 - Recall that $\sum_{\nu} \deg(\nu) = 2m$
- The running time can also be expressed as O(m log n) since the graph is connected

Extension

- Using the template method pattern, we can extend Dijkstra's algorithm to return a tree of shortest paths from the start vertex to all other vertices
- We store with each vertex a third label:
 - parent edge in the shortest path tree
- In the edge relaxation step, we update the parent label



Algorithm *DijkstraShortestPathsTree*(G, s)

for all $v \in G.vertices()$

setParent(v, Ø)

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for all $e \in G.incidentEdges(u)$ { relax edge e } $z \leftarrow G.opposite(u,e)$ $r \leftarrow getDistance(u) + weight(e)$ if r < getDistance(z) setDistance(z,r) setParent(z,e)Q.replaceKey(getLocator(z),r)

Why Dijkstra's Algorithm Works

- Dijkstra's algorithm is based on the greedy method. It adds vertices by increasing distance.
 - Suppose it didn't find all shortest distances. Let F be the first wrong vertex the algorithm processed.
 - When the previous node, D, on the true shortest path was considered, its distance was correct.
 - But the edge (D,F) was relaxed at that time!
 - Thus, so long as d(F) > d(D), F's distance cannot be wrong. That is, there is no wrong vertex.

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Why It Doesn't Work for Negative-Weight Edges

Dijkstra's algorithm is based on the greedy method. It adds vertices by increasing distance.

 If a node with a negative incident edge were to be added late to the cloud, it could mess up distances for vertices already in the cloud.

> C's true distance is 1, but it is already in the cloud with d(C)=5!



Bellman-Ford Algorithm

- Works even with negativeweight edges
- Must assume directed edges (for otherwise we would have negativeweight cycles)
- Iteration i finds all shortest paths that use i edges.
- Running time: O(nm).
- Can be extended to detect a negative-weight cycle if it exists
 - How?

Algorithm *BellmanFord*(G, s) for all $v \in G.vertices()$ if v = ssetDistance(v, 0) else setDistance(v, ∞) for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n-1 do for each $e \in G.edges()$ { relax edge *e* } $u \leftarrow G.origin(e)$ $z \leftarrow G.opposite(u,e)$ $r \leftarrow getDistance(u) + weight(e)$ if r < getDistance(z)setDistance(z,r)

Bellman-Ford Example

Nodes are labeled with their d(v) values



DAG-based Algorithm



Algorithm *DagDistances*(G, s) for all $v \in G.vertices()$ if v = ssetDistance(v, 0) else setDistance(v, ∞) Perform a topological sort of the vertices for $u \leftarrow 1$ to *n* do {in topological order} for each $e \in G.outEdges(u)$ { relax edge *e* } $z \leftarrow G.opposite(u,e)$ $r \leftarrow getDistance(u) + weight(e)$ if r < getDistance(z)setDistance(z,r)

DAG Example

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All-Pairs Shortest Paths



- Find the distance between every pair of vertices in a weighted directed graph G.
 We can make p calls to
- We can make n calls to Dijkstra's algorithm (if no negative edges), which takes O(nmlog n) time.
- Likewise, n calls to Bellman-Ford would take O(n²m) time.
- We can achieve O(n³) time using dynamic programming (similar to the Floyd-Warshall algorithm).

Algorithm AllPair(G) {assumes vertices 1,...,n} for all vertex pairs (i,j)if i = j $D_0[i,i] \leftarrow 0$ else if (i,j) is an edge in G $D_0[i,j] \leftarrow$ weight of edge (i,j)else $D_0[i,j] \leftarrow +\infty$ for $k \leftarrow 1$ to n do for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n do

 $D_k[i,j] \leftarrow \min\{D_{k-1}[i,j], D_{k-1}[i,k] + D_{k-1}[k,j]\}$ return D_n

Uses only vertices numbered 1,...,k (compute weight of this edge) Uses only vertices

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numbered 1,...,k-1

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numbered 1,...,k-1

Minimum Spanning Trees



Minimum Spanning Tree



Cycle Property

Cycle Property:

- Let *T* be a minimum spanning tree of a weighted graph *G*
- Let *e* be an edge of *G* that is not in *T* and *C* let be the cycle formed by *e* with *T*
- For every edge f of C, weight(f) ≤ weight(e)

Proof:

- By contradiction
- If weight(f) > weight(e) we can get a spanning tree of smaller weight by replacing e with f



Replacing *f* with *e* yields a better spanning tree



Partition Property

Partition Property:

- Consider a partition of the vertices of G into subsets U and V
- Let *e* be an edge of minimum weight across the partition
- There is a minimum spanning tree of G containing edge e

Proof:

- Let T be an MST of G
- If *T* does not contain *e*, consider the cycle *C* formed by *e* with *T* and let *f* be an edge of *C* across the partition
- By the cycle property, weight(f) ≤ weight(e)
- Thus, weight(f) = weight(e)
- We obtain another MST by replacing *f* with *e*



Replacing *f* with *e* yields another MST



Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm

- Similar to Dijkstra's algorithm (for a connected graph)
- We pick an arbitrary vertex s and we grow the MST as a cloud of vertices, starting from s
- We store with each vertex v a label d(v) = the smallest weight of an edge connecting v to a vertex in the cloud

At each step:

- We add to the cloud the vertex *u* outside the cloud with the smallest distance label
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Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm (cont.)

- A priority queue stores the vertices outside the cloud
 - Key: distance
 - Element: vertex
- Locator-based methods
 - *insert*(*k*,*e*) returns a locator
 - *replaceKey(l,k)* changes the key of an item
- We store three labels with each vertex:
 - Distance
 - Parent edge in MST
 - Locator in priority queue

Algorithm *PrimJarnikMST(G)* $\bar{Q} \leftarrow$ new heap-based priority queue $s \leftarrow a \text{ vertex of } G$ for all $v \in G.vertices()$ if v = ssetDistance(v, 0) else setDistance(v, ∞) setParent(v, Ø) $l \leftarrow Q.insert(getDistance(v), v)$ setLocator(v,l) while ¬Q.isEmpty() $u \leftarrow Q.removeMin()$ for all $e \in G.incidentEdges(u)$ $z \leftarrow G.opposite(u,e)$ $r \leftarrow weight(e)$ if r < getDistance(z)setDistance(z,r) setParent(z,e) Q.replaceKey(getLocator(z),r)



Example (contd.)



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Kruskal's Algorithm

- A priority queue stores the edges outside the cloud
 - Key: weight
 - Element: edge
- At the end of the algorithm
 - We are left with one cloud that encompasses the MST
 - A tree T which is our MST

Algorithm KruskalMST(G) for each vertex V in G do define a Cloud(v) of $\leftarrow \{v\}$ let Q be a priority queue. Insert all edges into Q using their weights as the key $T \leftarrow \emptyset$ while T has fewer than n-1 edges do edge e = Q.removeMin()Let u, v be the endpoints of e if Cloud(v) \neq Cloud(u) then Add edge e to T

Merge $\check{Cloud}(v)$ and Cloud(u)return T

Data Structure for Kruskal Algortihm

The algorithm maintains a forest of trees
 An edge is accepted it if connects distinct trees
 We need a data structure that maintains a partition, i.e., a collection of disjoint sets, with the operations:
 -find(u): return the set storing u
 -union(u,v): replace the sets storing u and v with their union



Representation of a Partition

Each set is stored in a sequence

- Each element has a reference back to the set
 - operation find(u) takes O(1) time, and returns the set of which u is a member.
 - in operation union(u,v), we move the elements of the smaller set to the sequence of the larger set and update their references
 - the time for operation union(u,v) is min(n_u,n_v), where n_u and n_v are the sizes of the sets storing u and v

Whenever an element is processed, it goes into a set of size at least double, hence each element is processed at most log n times

Partition-Based Implementation

A partition-based version of Kruskal's Algorithm performs cloud merges as unions and tests as finds.

Algorithm Kruskal(G):

Input: A weighted graph *G*.

Output: An MST *T* for *G*.

Let P be a partition of the vertices of G, where each vertex forms a separate set.

Let Q be a priority queue storing the edges of G, sorted by their weights

Let *T* be an initially-empty tree

while Q is not empty do

 $(u,v) \leftarrow Q$.removeMinElement()

if *P*.find(*u*) != *P*.find(*v*) **then**

Add (*u*,*v*) to *T*

P.union(*u*,*v*)

Running time: O((n+m)log n)

return T





























Baruvka's Algorithm

Like Kruskal's Algorithm, Baruvka's algorithm grows many "clouds" at once.

Algorithm *BaruvkaMST(G)*

T ← V {just the vertices of G} while T has fewer than n-1 edges do for each connected component C in T do Let edge e be the smallest-weight edge from C to another component in T. if e is not already in T then Add edge e to T return T

Each iteration of the while-loop halves the number of connected compontents in T.

• The running time is O(m log n).





