

Week 5

Dijkstra's Shortest Path Algorithm

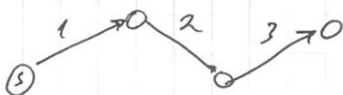
problem: Single-Source Shortest Paths

input: directed graph $G=(V, E)$,
($m=|E|$, $n=|V|$)

- each edge has non-negative length l_e
- source vertex s

output: for each $v \in V$, compute

$L(v)$ = length of a shortest $s-v$ path in G



$$L(t) = 1 + 2 + 3 = 6$$

assumptions

- $\forall v \in V \exists s \rightarrow v$ path (for convenience)
- $l_e \geq 0, \forall e \in E$ (non negative weights!)

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Dijkstra's algorithm can't handle them

BFS computes the shortest path, but only when edges have weight = 1.

Dijkstra's Algorithm

close cousin of BFS

Initialize:

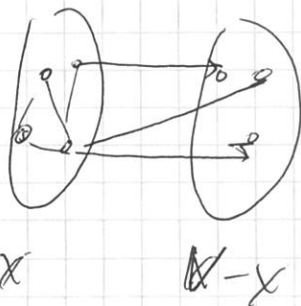
- $X = [s]$ (vertices we've processed so far)
- $A[s] = 0$ (shortest path distance)
at the end of the algorithm it will be populated with shortest paths
- $B[s] = \text{empty path}$ (computed shortest path)
(for explanation only)

Main loop:

while $X \neq V$

we examine all
edges that come
from X to $V-X$

and among all vertices
we pick one which gives
the minimal score

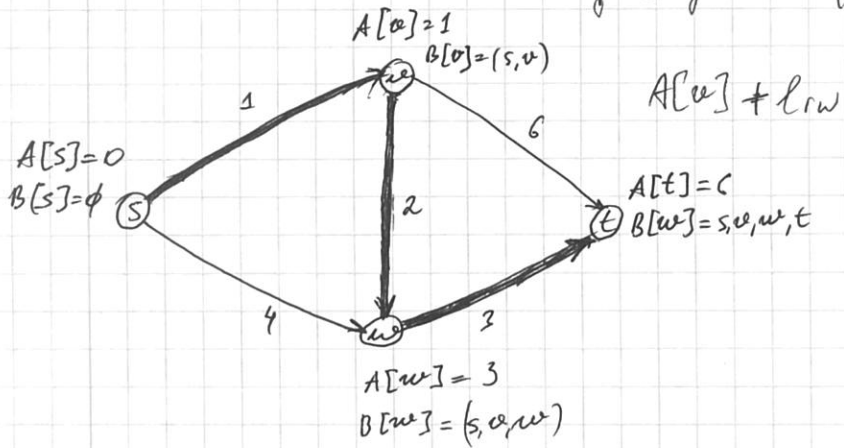


- among all edges ~~(u, v)~~ $(v, w) \in E$
with $v \in X$, $w \notin X$, pick the one that
minimizes

$A[v] + l_{vw}$ [Dijkstra's greedy criterion]
 ↗
 already computed in earlier iteration
 ↖
 we will call the minimizing edge (v^*, w^*)

- add w^* to X
- $A[w^*] = A[v] + l_{vw^*}$
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 shortest path from s to w^*
- $B[w^*] = B[v^*] \cdot u(v^*, w^*)$

Example

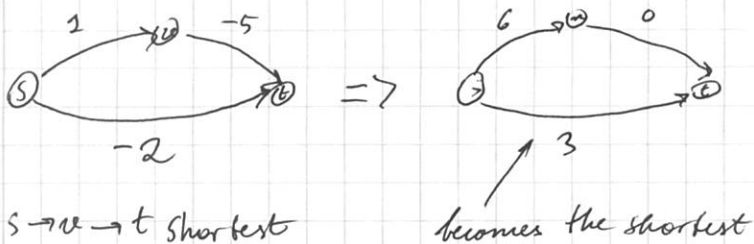


Non-example

Question: Why not reduce computing shortest path with negative edge lengths to the same problem with non-negative lengths?
 (by adding large constant to edge lengths?)

It doesn't preserve the shortest path! \rightarrow

and anyway the shortest path won't be computed by Dijkstra's algorithms.



Correctness

Theorem: For every directed graph with non-negative edge lengths, the algo. computes all shortest path distances

$$\text{i.e. } A[v] = L(v) \quad \forall v \in V$$

↑
what algorithm
computes

↖
true shortest
distance from s to v

proof by induction.

base case:

$$A[s] = L[s] = 0 \quad (\text{correct})$$

hypothesis:

$$A[v] = L[v], \quad B[v] - \text{true shortest path}$$

In a current iteration

$$x \in X, \quad x \notin X$$

we pick an edge (v^*, w^*) and we add w^* to X

$$\text{we set } B[w^*] = B[v^*] + \ell(v^*, w^*)$$

length

$$L[v^*] +$$

$$\ell(v^*, w^*)$$

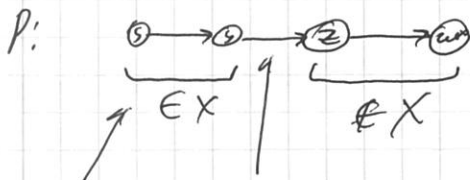
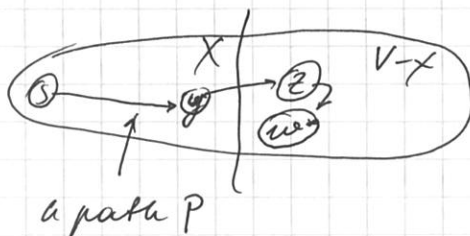
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has length $L(v^*)$
shortest path

We need to show that every $s \rightarrow w^*$ path has length $\geq L(w^*) + l_{w^*w^*}$

(if so, our path is shortest)

Let $P = \text{any } s \rightarrow w^*$ path

$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$
 $e \in X \quad e \notin X \Rightarrow \text{Must cross the frontier}$



\geq len of the shortest path $s \rightarrow y$

$$L(y) = A[y]$$

(by inductive hypothesis)
 $(y \in X)$

$$\text{length} = l_{yz}$$

So: the total len P at least

$$A[y] + l_{yz} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} y \in X \\ z \notin X \end{array} \right)$$

by Dijkstra's greedy criterion:

$$\overbrace{A[w^*] + l_{w^*w^*}}^{\text{our path}} \leq A[y] + l_{yz} \leq \text{len of } P$$

Q.E.D.

Implementation

don't need the B array

m - number of edges

n - vertices (nodes)

$O(mn)$ - naïve implementation of Dijkstra's

- $(n-1)$ iteration of while loop
- $O(m)$ work per iteration
- $O(1)$ work per edge

Heap operations.

we're asking for the minimum over and over again!

key properties:

- at every node, $\text{key} \leq \text{children's keys}$
- balanced tree
- extract-min by swapping up last leaf, bubbling down
- insert via bubbling up
- height $\approx \log_2 n$

Operations: all in $O(\log n)$ time

Invariants:

#1 elements in heap: vertices in $V-X$

#2 for $v \notin X$

$key[v] =$ smallest Dijkstra's greedy ~~score~~ ^{score}

of any edge (u, v) in E
with u in X

$+\infty$ - no such edges exist

So if we maintain these 2 ~~variables~~ invariants,

extract-min yields correct ~~set~~ vertex w^* to add to X next

(and we set $A[w^*]$ to $key[w^*]$)

to maintain the invariants:

#2: $\forall u \in X$

$\text{key}[u] = \text{smallest Dij's greedy score}$
of edge (u, v) with $v \in X$

When u extracted from heap (i.e. added to X)

• for each edge $(u, v) \in E$

if $v \in V - X$ (i.e. in heap)

key update $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{delete } v \text{ from heap} \\ \text{recompute } \text{key}[v] = \min \{ \text{key}[v], \\ \text{re-insert } v \text{ into heap } A[u] + c_{uv} \} \end{array} \right.$

Running time: $O(n \log_2(n))$

Data Structures

4 levels of data structures knowledge

level 0 what's this?

level 1 cocktail-party level literacy

level 2 ←

level 3 know the guts

Heap

- a container that have keys

* operations:

- insert - add new object
- extract-min - min from heap
(ties are broken arbitrarily)

running time: $O(\log n)$

- heapify - initialize time is $O(n)$ time
- delete - $O(\log n)$ time

Application:

- canonical usage: fast way to do repeated minimum computations

Heap Sort.

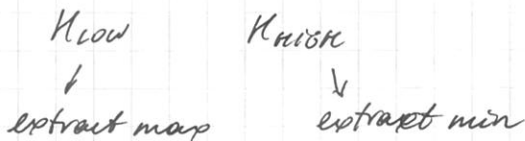
- event manager - "priority queue" (synonym for heap)

• median maintenance

- given a sequence of numbers: $x_1 \dots x_n$, one by one
- at each time step i , the median of $\{x_1 \dots x_i\}$
- constraint: $O(\log i)$ at step i

Solution:

maintain 2 heaps



key idea: maintain the invariant that

$\sim i/2$ smallest (largest) elements

are in H_{low} (H_{high})

so in 20th step, in H_{low} would be 11th order
and in H_{high} - 10th order

while keeping the heaps balanced (having the same amount of items)

• Speeding up Dijkstra

naïve implementation: $\Theta(n^2)$

with heaps \Rightarrow runtime: $O(m \log n)$

Implementation Detail

heap - is a tree, complete, binary, rooted

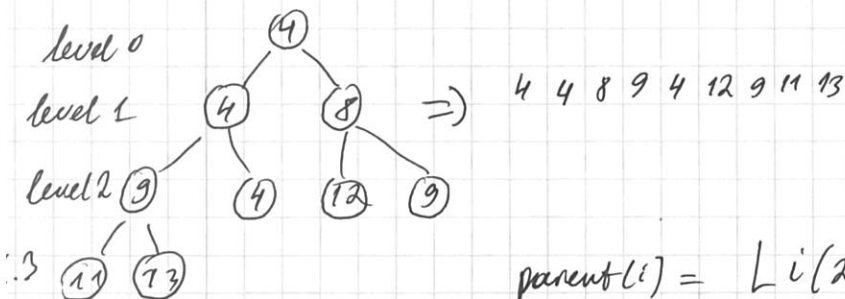
heap property:

at every node x , $\text{key}[x] \leq \text{all keys of } x\text{'s children}$



object at root must have min key value

Array implementation

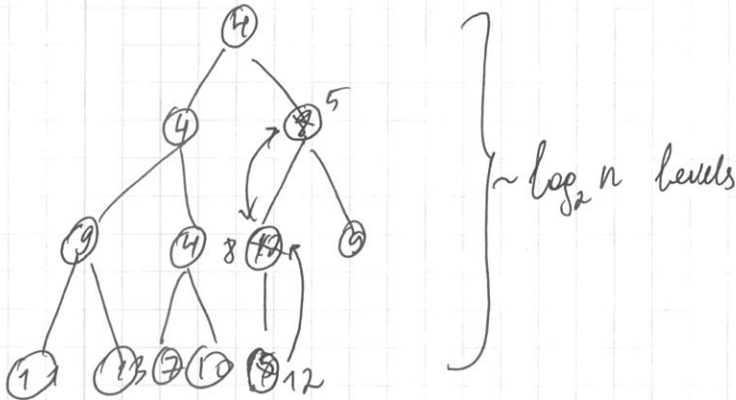


$$\text{parent}(i) = \lfloor i/2 \rfloor$$

↑
round down

children of i is $2i$ & $2i+1$

Insert And Bubble-Up



Insert (key k)

- stick k at the end of last level
- bubble-up k until heap property is restored

(i.e. key of k 's parent $\leq k$)

~~Insert~~

Extract - Min

1. Delete root
2. Move last leaf to be new root
3. Iteratively Bubble-Down until heap property has been restored

[always swap with the smaller child]

Balanced Binary Search Tree

Sorted Arrays

Operations

- Search $O(\log n)$
- select $O(1)$
- min/max $O(1)$
- pred/succ $O(1)$
- rank $O(\log n)$
- insertion $\} O(n)!$
- deletion $\}$

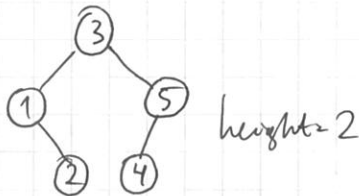
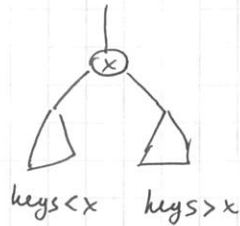
Balanced trees:

like sorted array + fast (log)
inserts and deletes

Binary Search Tree Structure

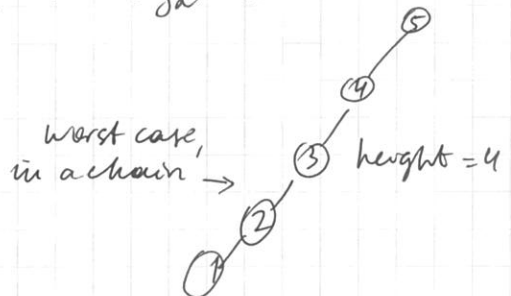
- has exactly one node per key
- most basic version, each node has
 - left child pointer
 - right child pointer
 - parent pointer

Search tree property \Rightarrow
(should hold for every node of the search tree)



the height of a BST

could be anywhere from $\sim \log_2 n$ to n



△ Searching

- start at the root
- traverse left/right child pointers

↑ ↘
if $k < key$ if $k > key$

- return node with key k or null

△ Insert

- search for k (unsuccessfully)
- rewrite final NULL pointer to point to new node with key k

Worst-case running time for Search and Insert -
 $O(\text{height})$ (of the tree)

△ Min(max)

start at root and follow left(right) child pointer

△ Pred (^{prev} next smallest element)

- if k 's subtree is not empty, return the max key in left subtree
- otherwise follow parent pointer until you get to a key less than k

△ In-Order Traversal

(to print out keys in increasing order)

let r = root of the search tree, TL , TR -subtrees

- recurse on TL
- print out r 's key
- recurse on TR

Running time: $O(n)$

△ Deletion

- search for k $O(\text{height})$
- if k has no children
 - just delete the node
- k has one child
 - the child gets the position of k
- k has two children
 - compute k 's predecessor l
(traverse k 's non-NULL left child ptr,
then right-child ptr until no longer possible)
 - SWAP k and l
 - in a new position it's easy to delete k
(k has no right child)

△ Select (I want to select an order statistic)

△ Rank (how many keys are less or equal to that value?)

Idea: store extra information at each tree node

example: $\text{size}(x)$ = number of tree nodes in a subtree rooted at x

$$\text{size}(x) = \text{size}(l) + \text{size}(r) + 1$$

△ Select

(how to select i^{th} order statistic from augmented search trees - with subtree sizes)

- start at root x with children l and r
- let $a = \text{size}(l)$ [$a \geq 0$ if l has no children^{left}]
- if $a = i - 1$, return x 's key
- if $a > i$, recursively compute i^{th} order statistic of l
- if $a < i - 1$, recursively compute $(i - a - 1)^{\text{th}}$ order statistic of tree rooted at r .

running time = $O(\text{height})$

Red-Black trees

Balanced search trees:

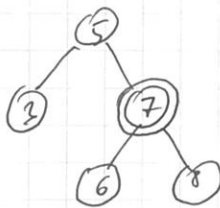
idea: the height is always $O(\log n)$ -
all main operations run in $O(\log n)$

Red-Black invariants

- each node red or black
- root is black
- no 2 reds in a row
(red node \Rightarrow only black children)
- every path from the root to NULL-nodes
passes the same amount of black nodes
(unsuccessful search)

Example

①-red



Height guarantee

Claim: every red-black tree with n nodes has
height $\leq 2 \log_2(n+1)$