

On shortest weak Hamiltonian path problem of the cactus graph

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An undirected connected simple graph $G = (V, E_G, w_G)$ with non-negative weight function $w_G: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

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Output: A path $p = v_1 \dots v_n$ through all vertices **at least once**

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Optimization: $\min(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} w_G(v_i, v_{i+1}))$

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Frequency Misunderstanding(s)

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It is equivalent to TSP?

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Currently, we haven't any **known proof**. I think it's **not true**. Because reduction to the TSP or reduction from the TSP is **not easy**. This problem guarantees that existence of solution for all undirected simple non-negative weighted graph. However Hamiltonian path or Hamiltonian is not.

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We have an easy reduction from the Hamiltonian path problem.

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There exists a counterexample.

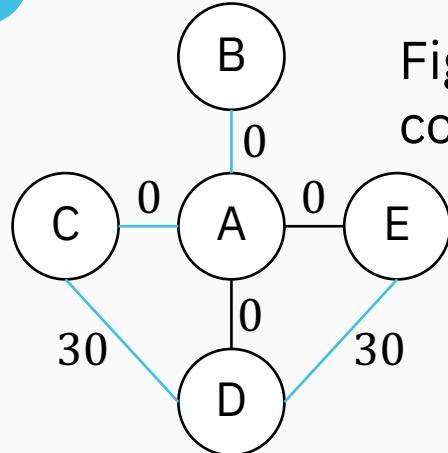


Fig. 1. Optimal cost: 60

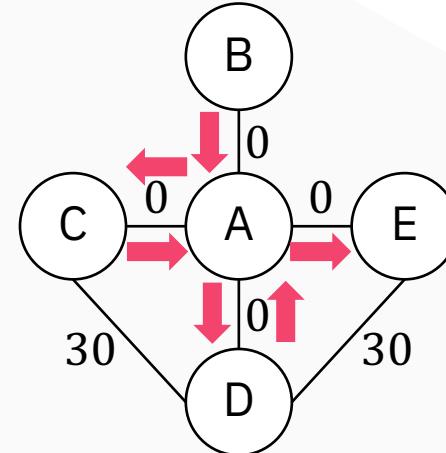


Fig. 2. Optimal cost: 0

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Hypothesis

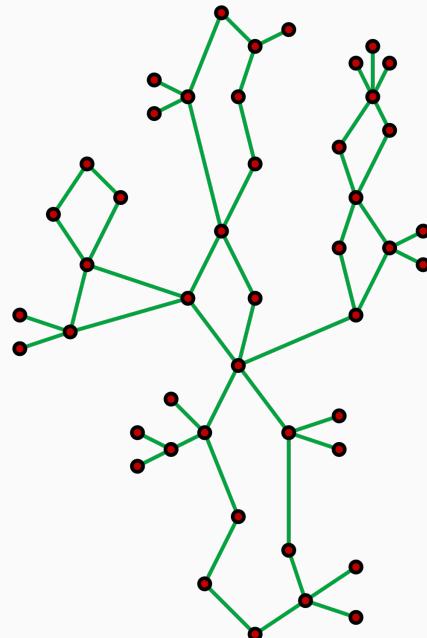
Hypothesis - NP-hard?

- Unknown deterministic-polynomial time algorithm
- It can be considered possible reduction from the Hamiltonian path. (We can use Rahman–Kaykobad's theorem [1] and may select another shortest path of vertex by vertex from the solution of the shortest weak Hamiltonian path)

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Case – Cactus graph



- **Cactus graph** is a finite, connected, undirected, simple graph in which any two simple cycles have at most one vertex in common. [2]
- This study gives a deterministic-polynomial time solution of the Shortest weak Hamiltonian path problem on the cactus graph.

Fig. 3. An example of the cactus graph [3]

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Cycle component transform of the cactus graph

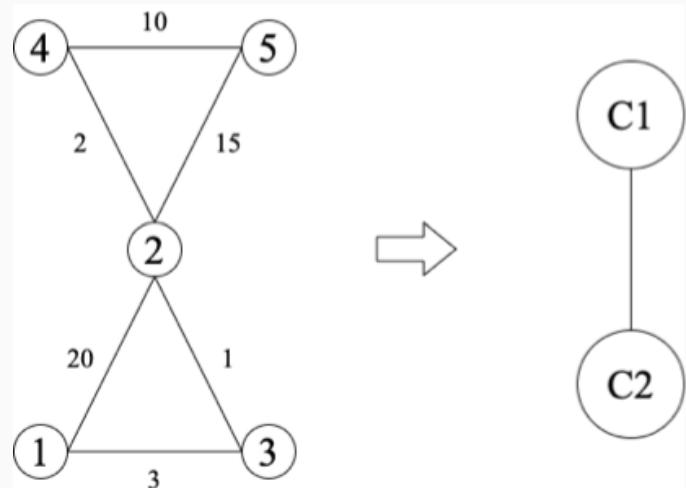


Fig. 5. Graphic Representation of the cycle component transform

- **Cycle component transform of the cactus graph** is a representation of the cycles of the cactus graph.
- Let C be a finite set of the cycles of the cactus graph G .
- INPUT: A cactus graph G
- OUTPUT: A tree $T := (C, E_C)$ where $E_C := \{(C_i, C_j) | C_i, C_j \in C \wedge \exists u \in C_i \cap C_j\}$

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Cycle component transform of the cactus graph

- Cycle component transform of the cactus graph can be performed in the $O(|V_G| + |E_G|)$ time.
- Run DFS(Depth-first-search) in the graph and push each vertex to a stack by pre-order and pop vertices belonging to a cycle if it detects back edge.

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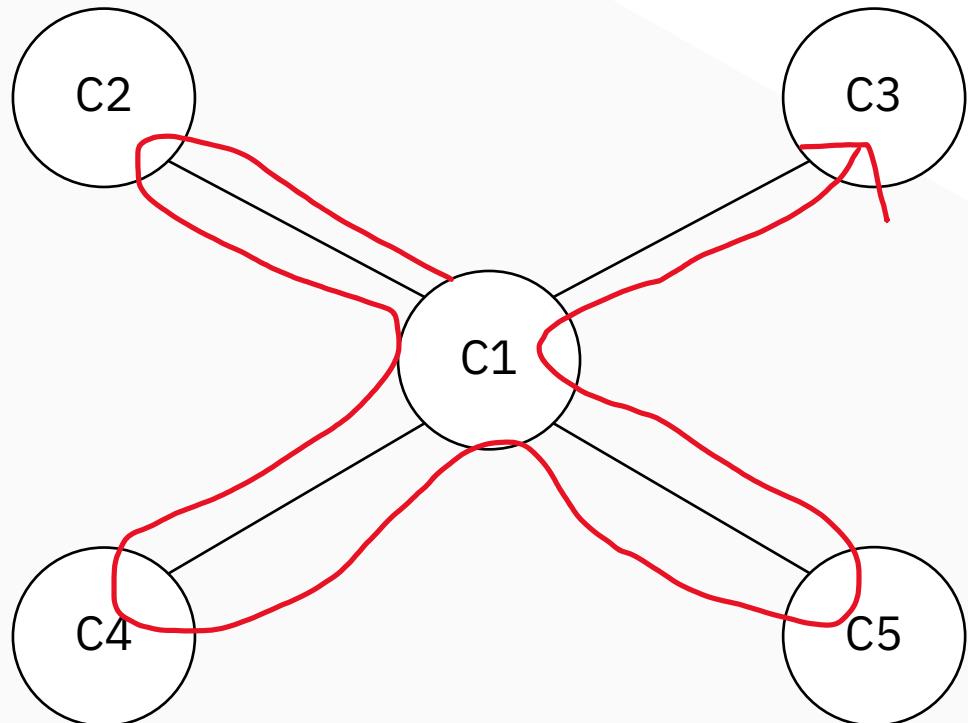


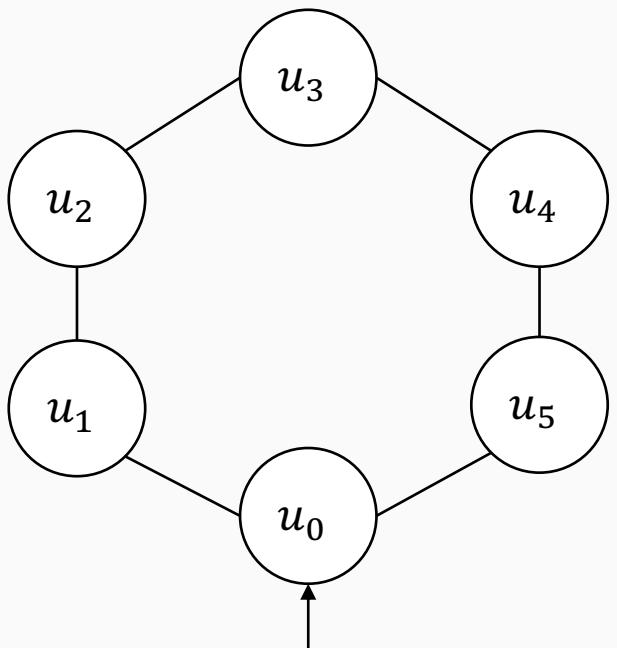
Fig. 6. An example of the optimal path

- We have rooted tree $T = (C, E_C)$ with an arbitrary root $C_r \in C$.
- Firstly, We can find a path through all vertices and visit all edges twice.
- We can remove a path with maximum cost it leads to leaf from root.

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STEP 1 – Find optimal in the cycle



- For a cycle $C_i \in C$, Let $u_0 \in C_i$ be a vertex lead from the parent of the C_i . (If C_i is a root, u_0 is an arbitrary vertex)
- We have an order left to right $u_0 < \dots < u_m$. (clockwise order)

Fig. 7. A cycle with special order.

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STEP 1 – Find optimal in the cycle

- We define

$A_{0k}[i] = (\text{Minimum cost with visit } i - \text{th vertex by clockwise order})$

$A_{1k}[i] = (\text{Minimum cost with visit } i - \text{th vertex by counterclockwise order})$

$B_k[i] = (\text{Minimum cost of a path through all vertices and ends at } u_i)$

$\pi_u^1[v] = (\text{Previous vertex of the vertex } v \text{ in the optimal path})$

- The time complexity is $O(|V_G| + |E_G|)$

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STEP 1 – Find optimal in the cycle

Algorithm 1 위 부분 문제를 해결하는 알고리즘

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1 INPUT: Cycle component  $C_k \in C$ 
2 OUTPUT: Arrays  $A_{0k}, A_{1k}, B_k$ 
3 Let  $A_{0k}, A_{1k}$  be 0-indexed arrays with size  $m + 1$ 
4  $A_{0k}[0] \leftarrow 0, A_{1k}[0] \leftarrow 0$ 
5 Let  $\pi_k^1$  be arrays with size  $m + 1$ 
6 for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $|C_i|$ , do
7    $A_{0k}[i] \leftarrow A_{0k}[i - 1] + w(u_{i-1}, u_i)$ 
8    $A_{1k}[i] \leftarrow A_{1k}[i - 1] + w(u_{(m-i+2) \bmod (m+1)}, u_{m-i+1})$ 
9 Let  $B_k$  be an array with size  $m + 1$ 
10  $\forall i \in \{0, \dots, m\}: B_k[i] \leftarrow \infty$ 
11 for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $m - 1$ , do
12   if  $B_k[i + 1] > 2A_{0k}[i] + A_{1k}[m - i]$ , then
13      $B_k[i + 1] \leftarrow 2A_{0k}[i] + A_{1k}[m - i]$ 
14    $\pi_k^1[i + 1] \leftarrow (i, 1)$ 
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15  if  $B_k[m - i] > 2A_{1k}[i] + A_{0k}[m - i]$ , then
16     $B_k[m - i] \leftarrow 2A_{1k}[i] + A_{0k}[m - i]$ 
17     $\pi_k^1[m - i] \leftarrow (m - i + 1, 0)$ 
18  if  $B_k[1] > A_{1k}[m]$ , then
19     $B_k[1] \leftarrow A_{1k}[m]$ 
20     $\pi_k^1[1] \leftarrow (0, 0)$ 
21  if  $B_k[m] > A_{0k}[m]$ , then
22     $\pi_k^1[m] \leftarrow (0, 1)$ 
23     $B_k[m] \leftarrow A_{0k}[m]$ 
24  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $m$ , do
25    if  $B_k[0] > B_k[i] + \min(A_{0k}[i], A_{1k}[m - i + 1])$ , then
26      if  $A_{0k}[i] \leq A_{1k}[m - i + 1]$ , then
27         $B_k[0] \leftarrow B_k[i] + A_{0k}[i]$ 
28         $\pi_k^1[0] \leftarrow (i, 1)$ 
29      else
30         $B_k[0] \leftarrow B_k[i] + A_{1k}[m - i + 1]$ 
31     $\pi_k^1[0] \leftarrow (i, 0)$ 
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Correctness – Find optimal in the cycle

Lemma 1. 위와 같은 cycle의 최단 경로에서
한 방향(clockwise or counterclockwise)으로
진행하다가 다른 방향으로 전환되는 것을 ‘틀어짐’이라고 할때,
이런 ‘틀어짐’은 최대 한번만 발생한다.

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Correctness – Find optimal in the cycle

Proof. Let define $S_i := \sum_{e \in E_i} w_G(e)$ and assume that

It occurs at u_i . Then, we have $w_G(u_i, u_{(i+1)mod(m+1)}) > S_i/2$.

And assume that it occurs at another u_j . And it implies that

$w_G(u_j, u_{(m+1+j-1)mod(m+1)}) > S_i/2$. Then, which satisfies

$w_G(u_i, u_{(i+1)mod(m+1)}) + w_G(u_j, u_{(m+1+j-1)mod(m+1)}) > S_i$.

Which is a contradiction. Thus, It occurs at most once. ■

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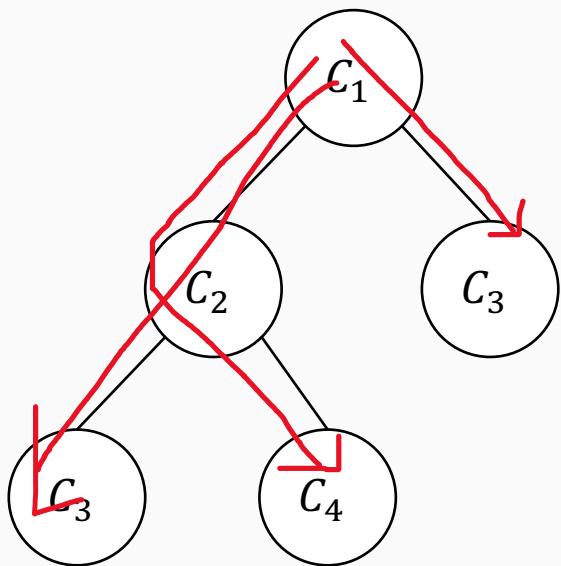
Correctness – Calculation in the cycle

Theorem 1. 위 알고리즘을 사이클 C_k 에 대하여 호출한 뒤, $B_k[0]$ 은 사이클 C_k 의 모든 정점을 순회하는 회로의 최소 비용이다.

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STEP 2 – Lead to leaf



- We define a dynamic programming array $D[i] := \left(\max_{(c_j, c_i) \in E_C, \pi[i] \neq j} D[j] \right) + B_i[0] - \min(A_{0i}[m], A_{1i}[m]).$
- By optimizing this, We have an optimal longest path root to leaf.
- The time complexity is $O(|C| + |E_C|)$.

Fig. 8. An example of the path root to leaf.

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STEP 2 – Lead to leaf

Algorithm 2 배열 D, π^2 을 채우는 알고리즘

- 1 INPUT: Tree $T = (C, E')$ and arrays A_{0k}, A_{1k}, B_k for all $C_k \in C$
- 2 OUTPUT: An array π^2
- 3 Let E, π^2 be an array with size $|C|$
- 4 $\forall C_i \in C: D[i] = 0$
- 5 procedure $DFS(u)$
- 6 for $(C_j, C_u) \in E' \wedge \pi[u] \neq j$, do
- 7 call $DFS(j)$
- 8 if $D[u] < D[j]$, then
- 9 $D[u] \leftarrow D[j]$
- 10 $\pi^2[u] \leftarrow j$
- 11
- 12 $D[u] \leftarrow D[u] + B_i[0] - \min(A_{0k}[m], A_{1k}[m])$

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STEP 3 – Generate a path

- Primary Idea: Construct a shortest path through all vertices in C . And subtract longest path leads to leaf.
- Let $Component(u)$ be a function k which satisfies $u \in C_k$
- Let $IsBelongOptimal(u)$ is a boolean function that decides belong to the optimal path.

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Algorithm 3 최적의 경로 p 를 생성하는 알고리즘이다.

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1 INPUT: Tree  $T = (C, E')$  and cactus graph  $G = (V, E)$ , an
   array  $\pi^2$  and for all  $C_k \in C$ ,  $A_{0k}, A_{1k}, B_k, \pi_k^1$ 
2 OUTPUT: Optimal solution path  $p$ 
3 Let  $p$  be a dynamic array
4 procedure  $Move(S, m, u, v, b)$ 
5   if  $b == 1$ , then
6      $i \leftarrow u$ 
7     while  $i \neq v$ , do
8       call  $Push(S, i)$ 
9        $i \leftarrow (i + 1) \text{ mod } (m + 1)$ 
10    call  $Push(S, i)$ 
11  else
12     $i \leftarrow u$ 
13    while  $i \neq v$ , do
14      call  $Push(S, i)$ 
15       $i \leftarrow (m + i) \text{ mod } (m + 1)$ 
16    call  $Push(S, i)$ 
17 procedure  $DFS2(u)$ 
18    $\{u_0, \dots, u_m\} \leftarrow AllVertices(u)$ 
19   Let  $V$  be an array with size  $m + 1$ 
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Let S be an stack
21 $\forall i \in \{0, \dots, m\}: V[i] = \text{false}$
22 $t \leftarrow \pi_u^1[0]$
23 $s \leftarrow t.\text{first}$
24 if $IsBelongOptimal(u) \neq \text{true}$, then
25 call $Move(S, m, 0, t.\text{first}, t.\text{second})$
26 $t \leftarrow \pi_u^1[s]$
27 call $Move(S, m, s, t.\text{first}, t.\text{second})$
28 $s \leftarrow t.\text{first}$
29 if $A_{0u}[s] < A_{1u}[s]$, then
30 call $Move(S, m, s, 0, 0)$
31 else
32 call $Move(S, m, s, 0, 1)$
33 else
34 $u_{min} \leftarrow 0, val_{min} \leftarrow \infty$

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36  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $m$ , do
37    if  $val_{min} > B_u[i]$ , then
38       $val_{min} \leftarrow B_u[i]$ 
39       $u_{min} \leftarrow i$ 
40     $t \leftarrow \pi_u^1[u_{min}]$ 
41    call  $Move(S, m, u_{min}, t.first, t.second)$ 
42     $s \leftarrow t.first$ 
43    if  $A_{0k}[s] < A_{1k}[s]$ , then
44      call  $Move(S, m, s, 0, 0)$ 
45    else
46      call  $Move(S, m, s, 0, 1)$ 
47  while  $IsEmpty(S) = false$ , do
48     $v \leftarrow Pop(S)$ 
49    call  $Pushback(p, u_v)$ 
50    if  $V[v] = false$ , then
51       $V[v] \leftarrow true$ 
52      for  $\forall (q, u_v) \in E$ , do
53        if  $Component(v_v) \neq Component(q)$ , then
54          call  $DFS2(q)$ 
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Conclusion and its applications

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Conclusion

- 1 NP-hard 문제로 예상되는 “Shortest weak Hamiltonian path problem”에 대해서 소개하고, 다행 시간에 결정론적으로 해결되는 인스턴스인 Cactus 그래프의 경우를 소개하고, 해법을 제시함.
- 2 Cactus 그래프를 부분 그래프로 가지는 그래프에 대한 효율적인 휴리스틱의 제시 가능성.

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