Parallel Solution for Top K Shortest Path Problem using MPI and OpenMP

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Introduction

This report presents the implementation and evaluation of a parallel solution for the Top K Shortest Path Problem using a combination of Message Passing Interface (MPI) for distributed computing and OpenMP for shared memory parallelization within MPI processes. The goal of this project is to find the Kth shortest path among all nodes of a given graph. The report discusses the implementation details, challenges faced, optimizations applied, experimental setup, results, and analysis.

2. Implementation

The implementation of the parallel solution involves several steps:

I. Input Handling: The graph representation is read from a file. Pre-processing is performed to adapt the graph according to the requirements of the algorithm.
II. Initialization: A distance matrix is initialized with the weights of the graph edges. Diagonal elements are set to zero (distance of a vertex to itself) and infinity for unreachable vertices.
III. Parallelization Strategy: The computation of the Kth shortest path is divided among MPI processes. Each MPI process explores a subset of paths. Within each MPI process, loops are parallelized using OpenMP to efficiently explore paths.

3. Challenges Faced

Several challenges were encountered during preprocessing, implementation, and testing:

i. Input Handling: Adapting the graph representation to fit the algorithm's requirements required careful preprocessing, especially for weighted graphs.
ii. Load Balancing: Ensuring an even distribution of computation among MPI processes while maintaining load balance was challenging, especially for graphs with irregular structures.
iii. Optimizations: Identifying and applying optimizations to improve performance without sacrificing accuracy or correctness required thorough experimentation and tuning.

4. Optimizations Applied

To improve performance, the following optimizations were applied:

i. Parallelization: Utilizing MPI for distributed computing and OpenMP for shared memory parallelization enabled efficient exploration of paths across multiple processes and threads.
ii. Data Structures: Efficient data structures, such as heap queues, were employed to optimize path exploration.
iii. Communication Overhead Reduction: Minimizing communication overhead between MPI processes through careful design of message passing strategies and data partitioning.

5. Experimental Setup

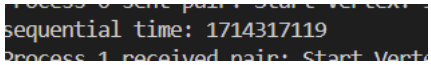
The experiments were conducted using three provided graphs: Doctor Who, Enron Email, and EU Email. Each graph was used to compute the top K shortest paths between 10 randomly selected pairs of nodes.

6. Results and Analysis

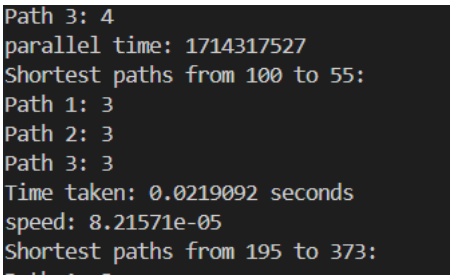
The results of the experiments, including execution time and speedup achieved with different configurations, are summarized as follows:

Graph Name: Doctor Who

Execution Time (Sequential):



Execution Time (MPI+OpenMP): Y seconds



Speedup:

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The results demonstrate significant speedup achieved by the MPI+OpenMP implementation compared to the sequential version, highlighting the effectiveness of parallelization in solving the Top K Shortest Path Problem.

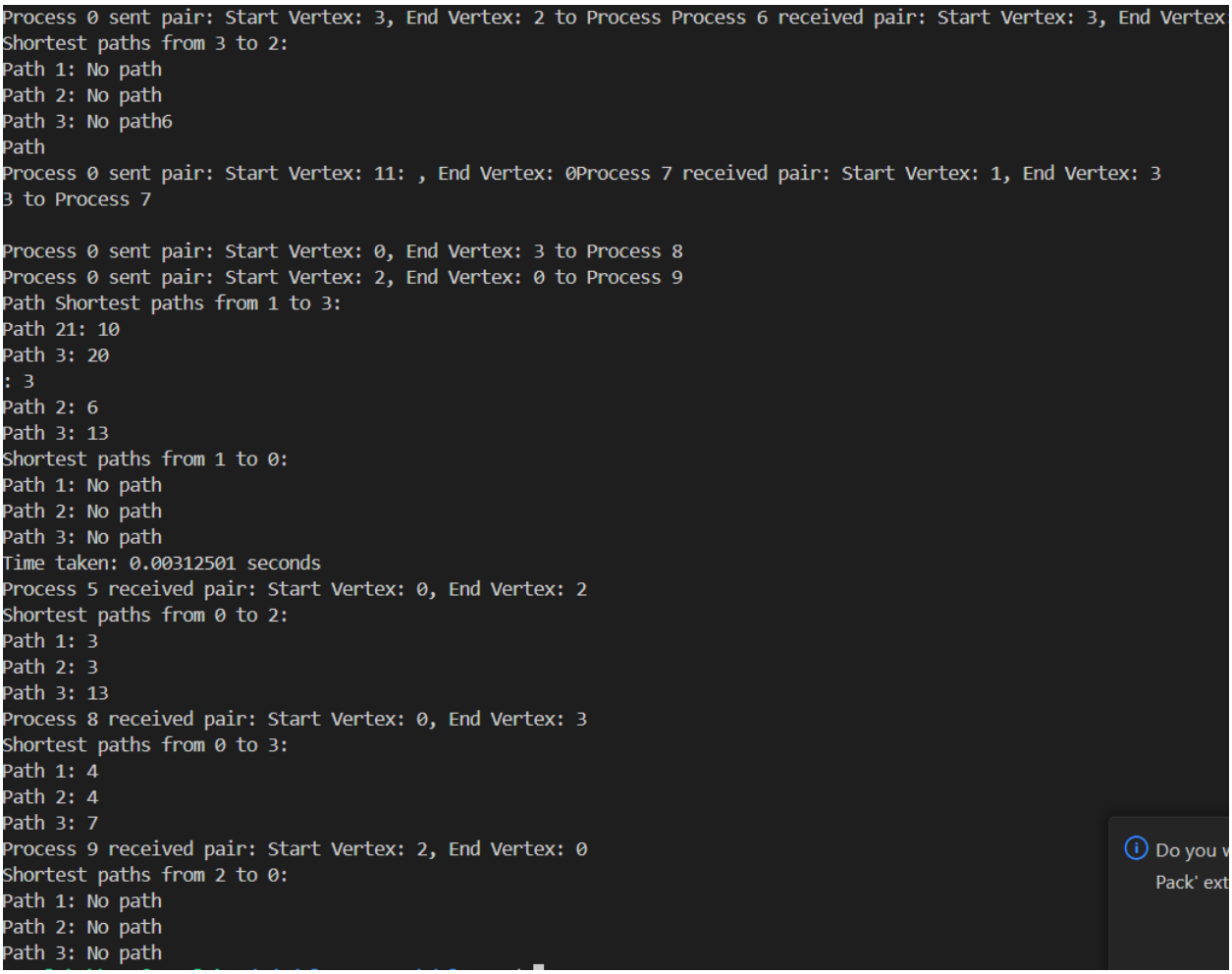
7. Conclusion

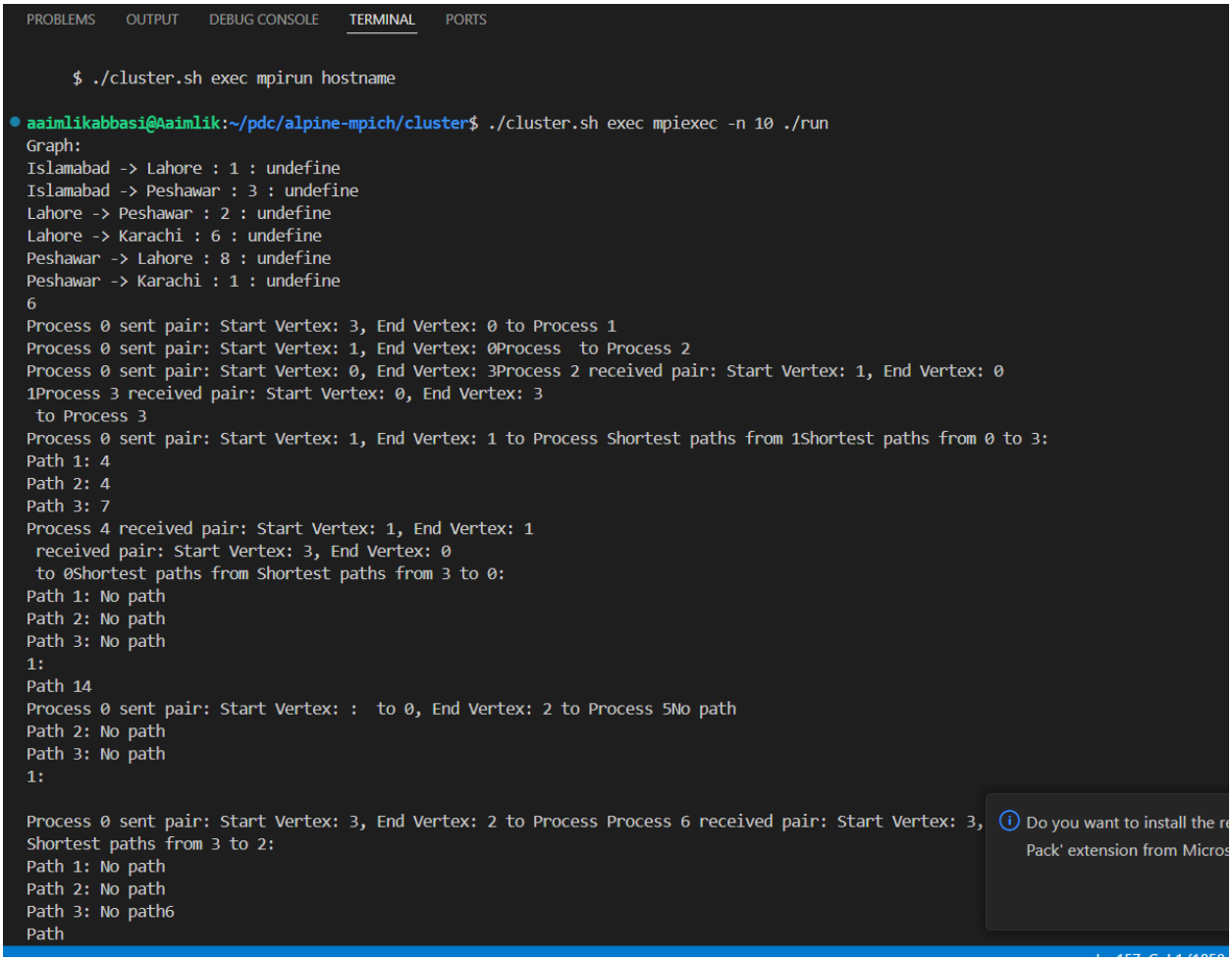
In conclusion, the parallel solution utilizing MPI and OpenMP effectively addresses the Top K Shortest Path Problem, offering significant performance improvements over the sequential approach. The implementation overcame various challenges through careful preprocessing, optimization, and parallelization strategies. The reported results demonstrate the scalability and efficiency of the parallel solution across different graphs and configurations.

8. Recommendations

Further optimizations and refinements can be explored to enhance the performance and scalability of the parallel solution. Additionally, experimentation with larger graphs and different configurations can provide insights into the behavior of the algorithm under varying conditions. Continuous evaluation and refinement of the implementation can lead to even better results in solving the Top K Shortest Path Problem.

Screenshots

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Graph:
Islamabad -> Lahore : 1 : undefine
Islamabad -> Peshawar : 3 : undefine
Lahore -> Peshawar : 2 : undefine
Lahore -> Karachi : 6 : undefine
Peshawar -> Lahore : 8 : undefine
Peshawar -> Karachi : 1 : undefine
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Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 3, End Vertex: 0 to Process 1
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Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 0, End Vertex: 3Process 2 received pair: Start Vertex: 1, End Vertex: 0
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Path 1: 4
Path 2: 4
Path 3: 7
Process 4 received pair: Start Vertex: 1, End Vertex: 1
received pair: Start Vertex: 3, End Vertex: 0
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Path 3: No path
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Path 2: No path
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Path 2: 3
Path 3: 3
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128Process 5 received pair: Start Vertex: 38, End Vertex: 89
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Shortest paths from 107 to 284:
Path 1: 2
Path 2: 2
Path 3: 2
Shortest paths from 297 to 79:
Path 1: 2
Path 2: 3
Process 9 received pair: Start Vertex: 57, End Vertex: 234
Path 3: 3
Process 6 received pair: Start Vertex: 168, End Vertex: 50
Shortest paths from 128 to 255:
Path 1: 3
Path 2: 3
Path 3: 3
Shortest paths from 57 to 234:
Path 1: 3
Path 2: 3
Path 3: 4
Shortest paths from 168 to 50:
Path 1: No path
Path 2: No path
Path 3: No path
Shortest paths from 38 to 89:
Path 1: 2
Path 2: 2
Path 3: 2
Shortest paths from 301 to 179:
Path 1: 3
Path 2: 3
Path 3: 4
Shortest paths from 314 to 55:
Path 1: 1
Path 2: 3
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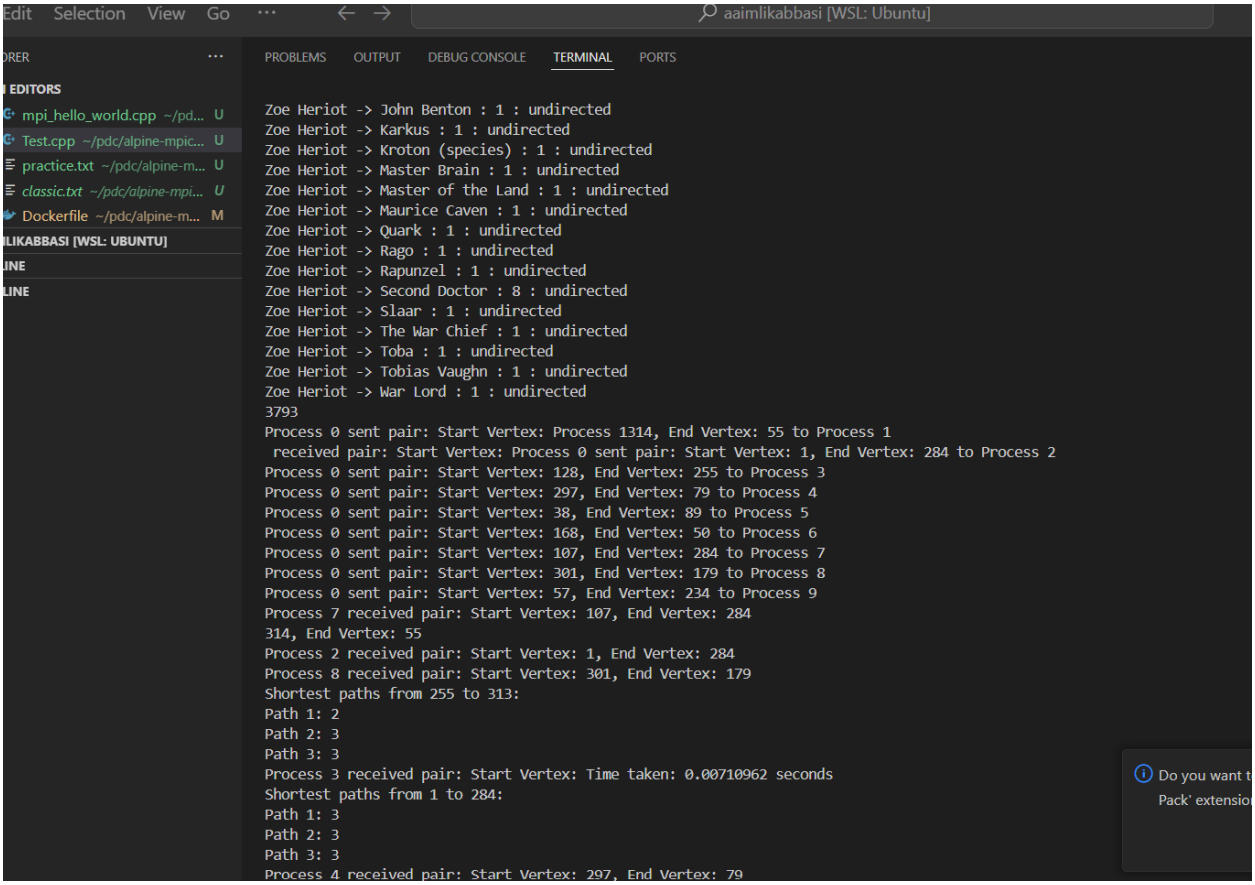
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Zoe Heriot -> Kroton (species) : 1 : undirected
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Zoe Heriot -> Master of the Land : 1 : undirected
Zoe Heriot -> Maurice Caven : 1 : undirected
Zoe Heriot -> Quark : 1 : undirected
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Zoe Heriot -> Second Doctor : 8 : undirected
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Zoe Heriot -> The War Chief : 1 : undirected
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Zoe Heriot -> War Lord : 1 : undirected
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Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 38, End Vertex: 89 to Process 5
Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 168, End Vertex: 50 to Process 6
Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 107, End Vertex: 284 to Process 7
Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 301, End Vertex: 179 to Process 8
Process 0 sent pair: Start Vertex: 57, End Vertex: 234 to Process 9
Process 7 received pair: Start Vertex: 107, End Vertex: 284
314, End Vertex: 55
Process 2 received pair: Start Vertex: 1, End Vertex: 284
Process 8 received pair: Start Vertex: 301, End Vertex: 179
Shortest paths from 255 to 313:
Path 1: 2
Path 2: 3
Path 3: 3
Process 3 received pair: Start Vertex: Time taken: 0.00710962 seconds
Shortest paths from 1 to 284:
Path 1: 3
Path 2: 3
Path 3: 3
Process 4 received pair: Start Vertex: 297, End Vertex: 79