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Transitive closure of the Graph

Abstract

The following work's contents are gathered from various sources which were used by the author for research purposes. The report examines the standard problem in algorithms and data structures such as transitive closure of the graph. The paper includes the definition of the problem including mathematical background of it, various solutions that have been proposed, and their efficiency rates. Additionally, the report contains the actual solution which the author has decided to opt for, its implementation, together with the pseudo-code implementation, multiple test cases with the detailed explanation of the obtained result depicted on the drawing.

List of terms and definitions

DFS Depth-first search

BFS Breadth-first search

Node Structural unit of a graph (Data Structure)

Vertex An equivalent to the node

Arc Structural unit of the graph which connects nodes

Edge An equivalent to the Arc

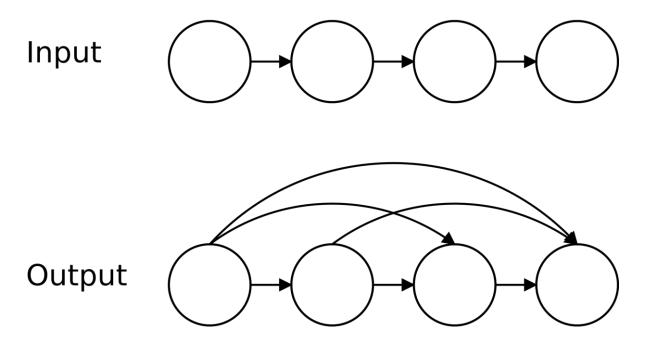
DAG Directed Acyclic Graph

TC Transitive Closure

Transitive Closure

In mathematics, the transitive closure of a relation on a set is a new relation that includes all the pairs of elements that are related to each other through the original relation or a sequence of intermediate relations. In a more formal way transitive closure can be expressed as following: For any pair of elements x, y in X (x, y) $\in R^+$ if and only if there exists a non-infinite sequence of elements (x1,x2,...xn) in X such that x = x1, y = xn and (xi, xi+1) $\in R$ for all i = 1, 2, ..., n-1. In computer science or to be more specific in graph theory transitive closure defines the data structure that answers the question of reachability from one node to another. More formally, we define the transitive closure (TC) problem as follows. Given a directed graph G = (V, E) with |V| = n, |E| = m, we aim to output an $n \times n$ matrix where C (u, v) != 0 if v is reachable from u.

The notion of transitive closure in graph theory is expressed by the following picture:



Existing solutions to the problem

One of the most popular solution is to use DFS algorithm, its time complexity is $O(n^3)$, where n is number of nodes.

The pseudo-code for this solution can be described as following:

```
function transitiveClosureDFS(graph):
2
        n = number of nodes in graph
3
        closure = 2D boolean array of size n x n
4
        for i from 0 to n-1:
            dfs(i, i, closure, graph)
 5
        return closure
6
 7
    function dfs(start, current, closure, graph):
        closure[start][current] = True
9
        for neighbor in graph[current]:
10
            if not closure[start][neighbor]:
11
                dfs(start, neighbor, closure, graph)
12
```

Additionally, in terms of efficiency there is a better algorithm. In 1971, Fisher and Meyer proposed an algorithm which runs in $O(n^{\wedge}\omega)$, where $\omega = 2.38$.

The pseudo-code for this algorithm:

```
function transitiveClosureFM(graph):
    n = number of nodes in graph
    A = copy of the adjacency matrix of graph
    for k from 1 to n:
        for i from 1 to n:
             for j from 1 to n:
                  A[i][j] = A[i][j] or (A[i][k] and A[k][j])
    return A
```

My solution (Core Algorithm)

The core algorithm of my solution is the Floyd-Warshall algorithm. The Floyd-Warshall algorithm is shortest path algorithm. In fact, there are many shortest path algorithms such Dijkstra or Bellman-Ford algorithm, however, the Floyd-Warshall algorithm computes the shortest path for every pair (i, j) in the graph whereas two others compute it only for one vertex.

The pseudo-code for the Floyd-Warshall algorithm:

```
291
      Create a |V| x |V|, M, matrix that represents arcs between all the vertices (Adjacency matrix)
       for each cell(i,j) in M:
293
             if i==j:
294
                M[i][j] = 0
295
             if (i,j) is an edge in M:
                M[i][j] = weight(i,j)
297
             else:
                M[i][j] = infinity
       for k from 1 to |V|:
299
          for j from 1 to |V|:
300
             for i from 1 to |V|:
                if M[i][j] > M[i][k] + M[k][j]:
302
303
                      M[i][j] = M[i][k] + M[k][j]
```

From the provided pseudo-code implementation the core algorithm of my solution will run in $O(|V|^3)$ time. This is because of the three nested loops it has.

My solution (The algorithm to solve the task)

Since my method must return a graph object according to the predefined representation, the actual algorithm will have a few more additional steps to solve the problem correctly.

My algorithm can be described as following:

```
Create a Graph(), TC, object with the same vertices
292
      Create a HashMap(), vertices, to store the Vertex IDs
      Initialize the Vertex() object,V, that indicates the first outgoing Arc from the Vertex
293
294
295
      while (V!=null){
         vertices.put(V.id, TC.createNewVertex(V.id));
         V = V.next;
298
299
300
      Initialize adjacency matrix, adjMatrix, for the given Graph()
301
      Initialize the variable, n , that indicates the lenght of the matrix
302
      Initialize transitive closure matrix, transitiveClosure[n][n], of lenght n
      for i from 1 to n:
305
         for j from 1 to n:
            if i == j or transitiveClosure[i][j] > 0:
               transitiveClosure[i][j] = 1 // path exists
308
309
      Perform Floyd-Warshall algorithm for the transitiveClosure matrix
310
      for i from 0 to n:
         for j from 0 to n:
313
           if transitiveClosure[i][j]:
314
               createVertex(i) and createVertex(j)
```

User guidelines

The method which computes transitive closure heavily depends on the set of auxiliary methods. Particularly, I used HashMap's method put(), thus, the <u>java.util.HashMap</u> must be imported to take the advantage of the method. Additionally, not including the predefined set of methods and constructors, I implemented the method getVertex(), which takes as an input integer which indicates the id and returns the Vertex() for the specified index.

The implementation of method getVertex():

```
Returns the vertex at the specified index.
                 Params: index - of the Vertex we need to get
                 Returns: Vertex object for the given index
               2 usages ... Artemmm13
               public Vertex getVertex(int index) {
275
                  Vertex v = first;
276
                  for (int i = 0; i < index; i++) {
277
278
                      v = v.next;
279
                  return <u>v</u>;
280
281
```

Full solution (code) [1]

```
import java.util.HashMap;
      import java.util.Map;
3
       Container class to different classes, that makes the whole set of classes one class formally.

≜ Jaanus Poeial +2 *

     public class GraphTask {
8
9
         /** Main method. */
         Jaanus Poeial
10
         public static void main (String[] args) {
            GraphTask a = new GraphTask();
            a.run();
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15
         /** Actual main method to run examples and everything. */
         public void run() {
17
            // average : 118002(ms) for graph with 2000+ vertices
18
            Graph g = new Graph( s: "G");
            Vertex v1 = g.createVertex( vid: "1");
19
            Vertex v2 = g.createVertex( vid: "2");
            Vertex v3 = g.createVertex( vid: "3");
            Vertex v4 = g.createVertex( vid: "4");
23
            g.createArc( aid: "a1", v1, v2);
            System.out.println(g);
24
25
            Graph tc = g.transitiveClosure();
            System.out.println(tc);
28
```

Full solution (code) [2]

```
28 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial +2
         class Vertex {
30
31
             6 usages
             private final String id;
32
             8 usages
33
             private Vertex next;
             5 usages
34
             private Arc first;
             3 usages
             private int info = 0;
35
             // You can add more fields, if needed
36
37
             1 usage 😃 Jaanus Poeial
             Vertex (String s, Vertex v, Arc e) {
38
39
                id = s;
                next = v;
40
                first = e;
41
             }
42
43
             1 usage ... Jaanus Poeial
             Vertex (String s) { this (s, v: null, e: null); }
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47
             13 usages . Artemmm13
             @Override
48
49 of
             public String toString() {return id;}
50
```

Full solution (code) [3]

```
52
          Arc represents one arrow in the graph. Two-directional edges are represented by two Arc objects
          (for both directions).
        class Arc {
56
57
           2 usages
58
           private final String id;
           4 usages
59
           private Vertex target;
           4 usages
           private Arc next;
60
           no usages
           private final int info = 0;
           1 usage 😃 Jaanus Poeial
           Arc (String s, Vertex v, Arc a) {
62
63
              id = s;
64
              target = v;
65
              next = a;
66
67
           68
           Arc (String s) {
69
             this (s, v: null, a: null);}
70
           13 usages = Artemmmm13
71
           @Override
72 of
           public String toString() {return id;}
73
```

Full solution (code) [4]

```
6 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial +2 *
76
         class Graph {
77
            3 usages
            private final String id;
78
            10 usages
            private Vertex first;
79
            4 usages
             private int info = 0;
80
81
            no usages
             private boolean[][] tc; // additional field for transitive closure matrix
82
83
            1 usage 😃 Jaanus Poeial
             Graph (String s, Vertex v) {
84
85
                id = s;
86
                first = v;
             2 usages . Artemmm13
             Graph (String s) {this (s, v: null);}
88
```

Full solution (code) [5]

```
13 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial +1
90
                   @Override
   91 o†
                   public String toString() {
   92
                       String nl = System.getProperty ("line.separator");
   93
                       StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer (nl);
                       sb.append (id);
   95
                       sb.append (nl);
                       Vertex \underline{\mathbf{v}} = first;
                       while (\underline{v} != null) {
                           sb.append (\underline{v});
   99
                           sb.append (" -->");
                           Arc \underline{a} = \underline{v}.first;
                           while (\underline{a} != null) {
                               sb.append (" ");
                               sb.append (\underline{a});
                               sb.append (" (");
                               sb.append(v);
                               sb.append ("->");
                               sb.append (\underline{a}.target.toString());
                               sb.append (")");
  108
                               \underline{\mathbf{a}} = \underline{\mathbf{a}}.\mathsf{next};
 110
                           }-
                           sb.append (nl);
 111
                           \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{v}}.\mathsf{next};
 113
 114
                       return sb.toString();
 115
                   }
                   6 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial
 117
                   public Vertex createVertex (String vid) {
                       Vertex res = new Vertex (vid);
  118
  119
                       res.next = first;
                       first = res;
                       return res;
                   }
```

Full solution (code) [6]

```
6 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial
124 @
               public Arc createArc (String aid, Vertex from, Vertex to) {
125
                  Arc res = new Arc (aid);
                  res.next = from.first;
127
                   from.first = res;
128
                  res.target = to;
129
                  return res;
                 Create a connected undirected random tree with n vertices. Each new vertex is connected to
                 some random existing vertex.
                 Params: n - number of vertices added to this graph
               1 usage ... Jaanus Poeial +1
137
               public void createRandomTree (int n) {
                  if (n \le 0)
138
                      return;
140
                   Vertex[] varray = new Vertex [n];
                  for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < n; \underline{i} ++) {
                      varray [\underline{i}] = createVertex ( vid: "v" + (n - \underline{i}));
                      if (\underline{i} > 0) {
144
                         int vnr = (int)(Math.random()*i);
145
                          createArc ( aid: "a" + varray [vnr].toString() + "_"
                                   + varray [\underline{i}].toString(), varray [vnr], varray [\underline{i}]);
147
                          createArc (aid: "a" + varray [i].toString() + "_"
                                   + varray [vnr].toString(), varray [i], varray [vnr]);
                      } else {}
150
151
```

Full solution (code) [7]

```
Create an adjacency matrix of this graph. Side effect: corrupts info fields in the graph
                        Returns: adjacency matrix
                     2 usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial
                     public int[][] createAdjMatrix() {
159
                         info = 0;
                         Vertex \underline{\mathbf{v}} = first;
160
                         while (\underline{v} != null) {
                              \underline{v}.info = info++;
                              \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{v}}.\mathsf{next};
164
165
                         int[][] res = new int [info][info];
                         \underline{\mathbf{v}} = first;
                          while (v != null) {
168
                             int i = \underline{v}.info;
                            Arc \underline{a} = \underline{v}.first;
169
170
                              while (\underline{a} != null) {
                                   int j = \underline{a}.target.info;
                                   res [i][j]++;
173
                                    \underline{\mathbf{a}} = \underline{\mathbf{a}}.\mathsf{next};
174
                              }-
175
                              \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{v}}.\mathsf{next};
177
                          return res;
                     }-
178
```

Full solution (code) [8]

```
Create a connected simple (undirected, no loops, no multiple arcs) random graph with \boldsymbol{n}
                vertices and m edges.
                 Params: n - number of vertices
                        m - number of edges
               no usages 😃 Jaanus Poeial +1
               public void createRandomSimpleGraph (int n, int m) {
                 if (n <= 0)
                     return;
                 if (n > 2500)
                     throw new IllegalArgumentException ("Too many vertices: " + n);
190
                  if (m < n-1 \mid | m > n*(n-1)/2)
                     throw new IllegalArgumentException
193
                           ("Impossible number of edges: " + m);
194
                  first = null;
195
                  createRandomTree (n);
                                                // n-1 edges created here
                  Vertex[] vert = new Vertex [n];
197
                  Vertex \underline{\mathbf{v}} = first;
198
                 int \underline{\mathbf{c}} = \mathbf{0};
199
                  while (\underline{v} != null) {
200
                    vert[\underline{c}++] = \underline{v};
                     \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{v}}.\mathsf{next};
                  }
                  int[][] connected = createAdjMatrix();
                 int edgeCount = m - n + 1; // remaining edges
                  while (edgeCount > 0) {
                     int i = (int)(Math.random()*n); // random source
                     int j = (int)(Math.random()*n); // random target
208
                     if (i==j)
209
                        continue; // no loops
                     if (connected [i][j] != 0 || connected <math>[j][i] != 0)
210
                        continue; // no multiple edges
                     Vertex vi = vert [i];
                     Vertex vj = vert [j];
214
                     createArc ( aid: "a" + vi.toString() + "_" + vj.toString(), vi, vj);
                     connected [i][j] = 1;
                     createArc ( aid: "a" + vj + "_" + vi, vj, vi);
                     connected [j][i] = 1;
                     edgeCount--; // a new edge happily created
                  1
```

Full solution (code) [9]

```
1 usage _ * Artemmmm13 +2 *
                    public Graph transitiveClosure() {
                       // Create a new graph with the same vertices
                       Graph tc = new Graph(id);
                       // Create a map to store the vertex IDs
                      Map<String, Vertex> vertices = new HashMap<>();
                       Vertex \underline{v} = first;
 236
                       while (\underline{v} != null) {
                           vertices.put(\underline{v}.id, tc.createVertex(\underline{v}.id));
 238
                           v = v.next;
239
 240
                       // Create the transitive closure matrix using the adjacency matrix
                       int[][] adjMatrix = createAdjMatrix();
                       int n = adjMatrix.length;
                       int[][] transitiveClosure = new int[n][n];
                       for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < n; \underline{i} ++) {
                           for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
                               if (i == j || adjMatrix[i][j] > 0) {
 247
                                    transitiveClosure[\underline{i}][\underline{j}] = 1;
                           }
 250
 251
                        for (int \underline{k} = 0; \underline{k} < n; \underline{k}++) {
                           for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < n; \underline{i} + +) {
                               for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
 254
                                    transitiveClosure[\underline{i}][\underline{j}] \mid = (transitiveClosure[\underline{i}][\underline{k}] \& transitiveClosure[\underline{k}][\underline{j}]);
 255
                                }
                           }
 258
                       // Create the arcs in the transitive closure graph
                        for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < n; \underline{i} + +) {
                           for (int j = 0; j < n; j++) {
                               if (transitiveClosure[\underline{i}][\underline{j}] == 1) {
                                    \texttt{tc.createArc(} \texttt{aid:} \texttt{""}, \texttt{vertices.get(} \texttt{getVertex(} \underline{\textbf{i}}).\texttt{id)}, \texttt{vertices.get(} \texttt{getVertex(} \underline{\textbf{j}}).\texttt{id));}
                           }
266
                        return to;
```

Full solution (code) [10]

```
Returns the vertex at the specified index.
                      Params: index - of the Vertex we need to get
                      Returns: Vertex object for the given index
                   2 usages ... Artemmm13
                   public Vertex getVertex(int index) {
275
                        Vertex \underline{\mathbf{v}} = first;
276
                        for (int \underline{i} = 0; \underline{i} < index; \underline{i} ++) {
277
                            \underline{\mathbf{v}} = \underline{\mathbf{v}}.\mathsf{next};
278
                        }
279
280
                        return v;
281
282
283
          }-
284
285
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```

Testing Plan

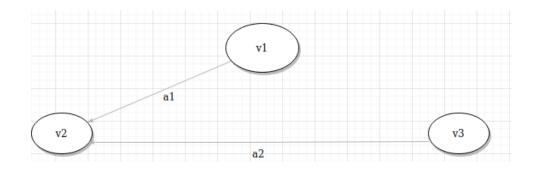
To make sure that the method works decently - test which "touch" basic and corner cases are required. In addition, the test, including a Graph with a vast number of vertices, is required.

My testing plan included such cases:

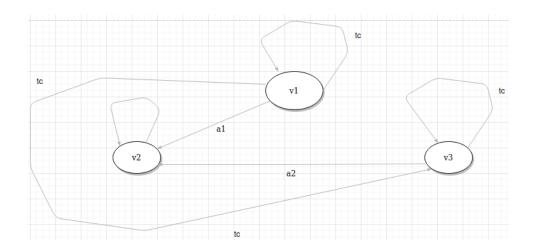
- 1. Graph with 3 vertices and 2 edges.
- 2. Graph with 5 vertices and 6 edges.
- 3. Graph with 4 vertices and 2 edges.
- 4. Graph with 4 vertices and 0 edges.
- 5. Graph with 2001 vertices and 2002 edges.

Test results

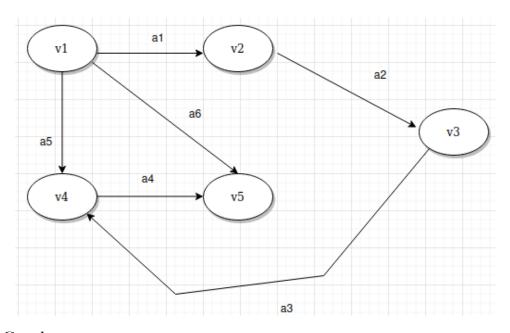
Case 1:



Output Graph:

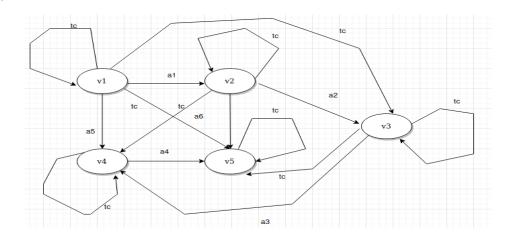


Case 2: Graph g = new Graph(s: "G"); Input Graph: Vertex v1 = g.createVertex(vid: "1"); Vertex v2 = g.createVertex(vid: "2"); *5* --> Vertex v3 = g.createVertex(vid: "3"); Vertex v4 = g.createVertex(vid: "4"); 4 --> a4 (4->5) Vertex v5 = g.createVertex(vid: "5"); g.createArc(aid: "a1", v1, v2); 3 --> a3 (3->4) g.createArc(aid: "a2", v2, v3); 2 --> a2 (2->3) g.createArc(aid: "a3", v3, v4); g.createArc(aid: "a4", v4, v5);



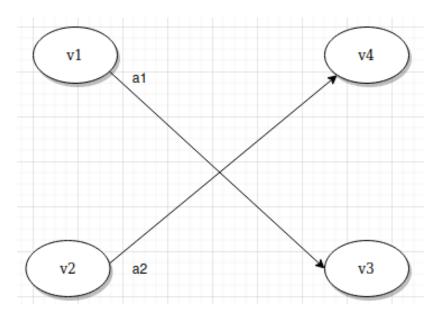
g.createArc(aid: "a5", v1, v5);
g.createArc(aid: "a6", v1, v4);

Output Graph:



Case 3:

Input Graph:	<pre>Graph g = new Graph(s: "G");</pre>
4>	<pre>Vertex v1 = g.createVertex(vid: "1");</pre>
	<pre>Vertex v2 = g.createVertex(vid: "2");</pre>
3>	<pre>Vertex v3 = g.createVertex(vid: "3");</pre>
0 > 0 (0 > 1)	<pre>Vertex v4 = g.createVertex(vid: "4");</pre>
2> a2 (2->4)	g.createArc(aid: "a1", v1, v3);
1> a1 (1->3)	g.createArc(aid: "a2", v2, v4);



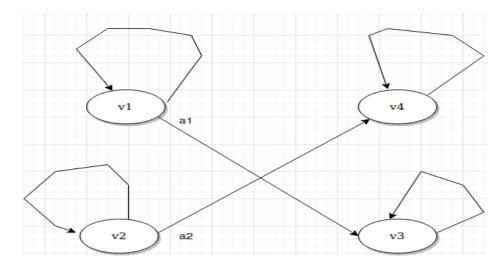
Output Graph:

1 --> (1->1) (1->3)

2 --> (2->2) (2->4)

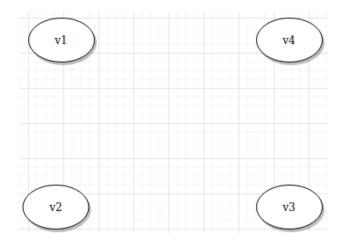
3 --> (3->3)

4 --> (4->4)

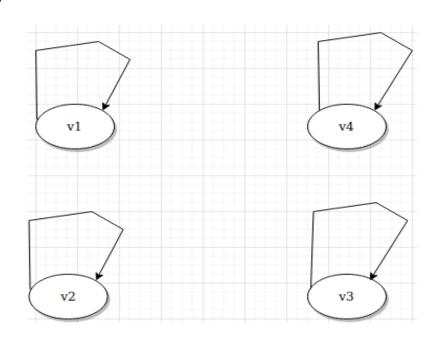


Case 4:

Input Graph: Graph g = new Graph(s: "6"); Vertex v1 = g.createVertex(vid: "1"); Vertex v2 = g.createVertex(vid: "2"); Vertex v3 = g.createVertex(vid: "3"); Vertex v4 = g.createVertex(vid: "4"); 2 --> 1 -->



Output Graph:



Case 5:

As I have already mentioned this will include a graph with 2001 vertices and 2002 edges, thus, to show the graphical representation of it would be impossible and would not make much sense. The purpose of this test is to measure execution time and estimate the efficiency of my solution.

Here is the code for the graph creation and for measuring the execution time:

```
Graph g = new Graph( s: "6");
g.createRandomSimpleGraph( n: 2001,  m: 2002);
long start = System.nanoTime();
Graph tc = g.transitiveClosure();
long finish = System.nanoTime();
long delta = finish - start;
System.out.printf("%34s%11d%n", "Execution time (ms): ", delta / 1000000);
```

The result of the first execution is 46503 (ms).

The result of the second execution is <u>62789 (ms)</u>.

The result of the third execution is 44795 (ms).

The result of the fourth execution is 59655 (ms).

Therefore, the average result on my machine is 54185.5 (ms).

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