

# Algorithm Analysis and Design

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$$G = (V, E)$$

$G$  is undirected.

$$n = |V|$$

Weight of node  $v_i$  is  $w_i$

~~if  $v_i$  is a leaf~~

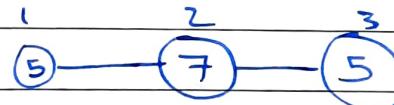
$\exists (v_i, v_j) \in E \text{ iff } |i-j|=1$  [Given]

$i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  in  $G$ .  $G$  is called a path

Problem -

Find a the maximum weight independent set in such a path,  $G$ .

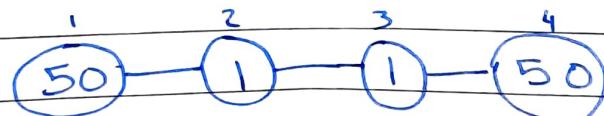
(a) Greedily picking the maximum weight node will not always work.

Simple Example : Node 1      2      3  


The returned output is  $\{2\}$  with weight 7.  
 but the correct answer is  $\{1, 3\}$  with weight 10.

(b) This algo example will not work because it is not cleverly skipping nodes.

Example :



The returned output is  $\{1, 3\}$  with weight 51,  
 but the correct answer is  $\{1, 4\}$  with weight 100.

(c) We can use the Dynamic Programming logic where the algo either considers the node, or does not consider it.

If the algo considers node  $v_i$ , then the final result will include  $w_i$ . From that point, node  $v_{i-1}$  cannot be considered, since  $v_i$  was considered. So we'll go and explore from node  $(i-2)$  onwards.

Else

explore from node  $(i-1)$  onwards.

= let  $\text{OPT}(i) = 0$  for  $i < 1$   
for  $i \geq 1$ ,

When we consider node  $v_i$ ,

$$\text{OPT}(i) = w_i + \text{OPT}(i-2)$$

When we do not consider  $v_i$ ,

$$\text{OPT}(i) = \text{OPT}(i-1)$$

∴  $\text{OPT}(i) = \begin{cases} \max\{w_i + \text{OPT}(i-2), \text{OPT}(i-1)\} & i \geq 1 \\ 0 & i < 1 \end{cases}$

To get the elements belonging to the maximum independent subset, we need to do some bookkeeping as  $\text{OPT}(i)$  is calculated (store  $v_i$  as  $v_i$  is considered)

The answer =  $\text{OPT}(n)$ ,

and since  $\text{OPT}(i)$  takes can be done in  $O(i)$ ,  
 $\text{OPT}(n)$  is  $O(n)$ .

(takes constant time to get  $\text{OPT}(i)$  from  
 $\text{OPT}(i-1)$  and  $\text{OPT}(i-2)$ )

2.  $G = (V, E)$   $V = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  directed

$G$  is ordered if:

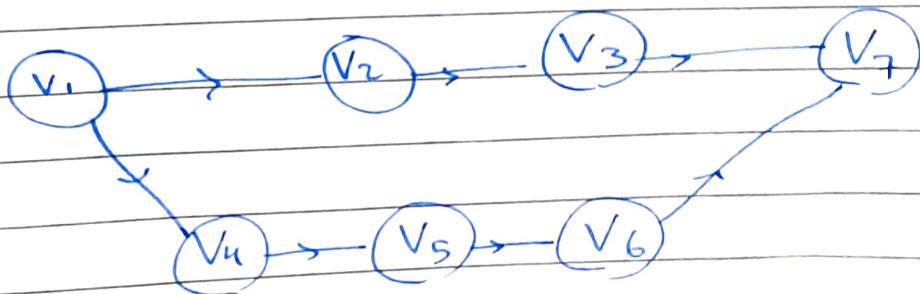
→ Each edge goes from lower to higher index node

→  $\forall v_i \neq v_n$ ,  $v_i$  has  $\geq 1$  edge leaving it.

longest path beginning at  $v_1$  and ending at  $v_n$ .

(a) This approach does not work when choosing a higher index node is more profitable in the long run.

E.g.



The algorithm returns 3, as the path found is  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_3 \rightarrow v_7$ , but the correct answer is 4, with path  $v_1 \rightarrow v_4 \rightarrow v_5 \rightarrow v_6 \rightarrow v_7$ .

(b) Similar approach to 1.

$$f(i) = \min \{ f(j) + \text{edge } E \}$$

$f(i)$  gives the

- We need to consider all edges that are incoming wrt node  $i$ .
- If there's no path from  $v_i$  to node  $i$ , then count the path length as  $-\infty$ .
  - Path from  $v_i$  to  $v_i$  has length 0.  
 $\therefore \text{OPT}(i) = 0$

Algorithm -

Initialize ~~DP~~ as an array with  $n$  elements

$\text{DP}[1 \dots n]$

$\text{DP}[1] = 0$

For  $i = 2$  to  $n$ :

~~beginning~~  $x = -\infty$

For all  $(j, i) \in E$ :

if  $\text{DP}[j] = -\infty$  and  ~~$x <$~~   $x < \text{DP}[j] + 1$   
 $x = \text{DP}[j] + 1$

$\text{DP}[i] = x$

Return  $\text{DP}[n]$

We can find the path by keeping track of which node is considered as  $x$  is updated.

The way this works is that  $\pi$  keeps track of all the longest path considering incoming edges to node  $i$ .

The upper bound number of incoming edges is  $n$ , and the outer for loop runs  $n-1$  times,  
 $\therefore$  Time =  $O(n^2)$   
 Complexity

3.  $n$  weeks  
 Supply  $s_i$

company A : fixed rate  $r$  per pound.  
 $(r.s_i)$

Company B :  $c$  per week (4c)  
 for 4 weeks.

This can be solved with the same DP approach as before.

If company A is considered,  
 $OPT(i) = rs_i + OPT(i-1)$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  free to make a new choice.

If company B is considered  
 $OPT(i) = 4c + OPT(i-4)$   
 $\hookrightarrow$  contract of 4 weeks.

and the cost needs to be minimized.

$$\therefore \text{OPT}(i) = \min(n_{si} + \text{OPT}(i-1), 4c + \text{OPT}(i-4))$$

We can start with  $i=1$  and build upward  $\Rightarrow \text{OPT}(i)=0, i \leq 0$ .

To find the answer, compute  $\text{OPT}(n)$ .

To get the exact schedule, for each  $i$ , keep track of which company is chosen.

4.  $n$  servers.

$s_1, \dots, s_n$ .

For servers from 1, to  $i$ , let the minimum cost be  $\text{OPT}(i)$ , given that a copy is placed at server ~~at~~  $i$ .

We want to search over all possible places to put the highest copy of the file before ~~at~~  $i$ , in the optimal position (let this be position  $x$ )

The cost for all servers upto  $x$  is  $\text{OPT}(x)$ ;

The cost for servers  $x+1, x+2, \dots, i$  is the sum of all access costs  $x+1$  to  $i$ .  
 $= 0+1+\dots+(i-x-1) = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} C_2$

Additionally, we give  $c_i$  to place the server at  $i$ .

To minimize the cost, we can use the following recurrence.

$$OPT(i) = c_i + \min_{0 \leq x < i} \{ OPT(x) + i-1 C_2 \}$$

Initially,  $OPT(0) = 0$   
and  $C_2 = 0$ .

The values of  $OPT$  can be built up in order of increasing  $i$  in time  $O(i)$  for iteration  $i$ ,

which gives a total running time of  $O(n^2)$ . [Polynomial].

$OPT(n)$  gives the solution. To find the configuration, we can ~~recompute~~ do some bookkeeping each time  $OPT(i)$  is found (to trace back).

5. (a) The following algorithm checks the validity of the given  $d(v)$ 's in  $O(m)$  time -

If for any edge  $e = (v, w)$ , we have  $d(v) > d(w) + c_e$ , then we can reject it.

(since if  $d(w)$  is correct, then  $\exists$  path  
 $v \rightarrow t$  from  $w$  with cost  
 $d(w) + c_e$ ).

Minimum distance from  $v \rightarrow t$  is at most this value, so  $d(v)$  must be incorrect.

Consider  $G'$  formed using  $G$  and removing all edges except those  $e = (v, w)$   
 $\Rightarrow d(v) = d(w) + c_e$ .

Then check if every node has a path to  $t$  in  $G'$  (in  $O(m)$  time by reversing edges and using BFS).

If any node fails to have such a path, then reject it. Else accept it.

Note how if  $d(v)$  was correct &  $v \in V$  then if we consider those edges on the shortest path from any node  $v$  to  $t$ , these edges will all be in  $G'$ .

$\therefore$  if  $\nexists$  path to  $t$  in  $G'$ , then reject the node.

$\therefore$  The algo rejects a set of distances if they are incorrect.

The algo also accepts the correct distances.

Proof -

let  $d'(v) = \text{Actual distance in } G' \text{ from } v \rightarrow t.$   
it is enough to show that  $d'(v) = d(v)$ .

For the path  $v \rightarrow t$  in  $G'$ ,  
real cost of path =  $d(v)$ .

There may be shorter paths, but we  
know that  $d'(v) \leq d(v) \forall v$ .

Suppose  $\exists v \ni d'(v) < d(v)$ .

for the shortest path  $P: v \rightarrow t$ ,  
let  $x = \text{last on } P \Rightarrow d'(x) < d(x)$ .

Let  $y$  be the node in  $P$ , after  $x$ .

By definition of  $x$ ,  $d'(y) = d(y)$

Since  $P$  is the <sup>real</sup> shortest path to  $t$  from  $v$ ,  
it is also the real shortest path  
from all nodes on  $P$ .

$$\text{So } d'(x) = d'(y) + c_e \Rightarrow e = t(y).$$

$$\Rightarrow d(x) > d'(x) = d(y) + c_e \\ (\text{contradiction})$$

Since algo should have rejected on  
inspecting  $e$ .  $\therefore d'(v) = d(v)$ . Q.E.D.

(ii) Given distances to sink  $t$ , we can  
efficiently calculate distance to another  
sink  $t'$  in  $O(m\log n)$  time. If  
all costs were  $\geq 0$ , we can just use  
Dijkstra's algo.

otherwise, modify costs as follows,  
for  $e = (v, w)$ ,  $c'_e = c_e - d(v) + d(w)$ .  
Note that  $c'_e \geq 0$ , since if  $c'_e < 0$  then  
 $d(v) < d(w) + c_e$ , which is not  
possible if  $c_e$  reflect true distances to  $t$ .

Consider any path  $P: x \rightarrow t'$ .  
real cost of  $P = c(P) = \sum_{e \in P} c_e$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Modified cost of } P &= c'(P) = \sum_{e \in P} c'_e \\ &= \sum_{e \in P} (c_e - d(v) + d(w))\end{aligned}$$

Note that all except for the first  
and last node in  $P$  occur once  
positively and once negatively  
 $\Rightarrow c'(P) = c(P) - d(w) + d(t')$

$\therefore$  Modified cost  $x \rightarrow t'$  differs from  
the real cost of the same path by  
 $d(t') - d(x)$ , which is constant.

$\therefore$  The set of minimum cost paths from  
 $x$  to  $t'$  under  $c'$  is the same as  
under  $c$ .

$\therefore$  since min distance  $x \rightarrow t'$  under  $c'$  is  
available, we can calculate the  
min distance under  $c$  by adding  $d(x) - d(t')$

Summary:

$\rightarrow$  calculate modified costs

$\rightarrow$  run Dijkstra from  $t'$  (by reversing  
edges), then adjust distances.

.. Total time taken

$$= O(m + m \log n) = O(m \log n)$$

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### References and Collaborators-

- Algorithm Design - Kleinberg and Tardos
- Ishan Kavathelos
- Maryam Sharma (discussed insights in problems 4 and 5)