CN CSL317

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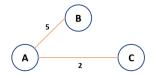
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Assignment

Distance Vector Routing Protocol

In this assignment, you will be implementing the "Distance Vector Routing" protocol. Since it follows a decentralized approach, you will be implementing this algorithm via multithreading in Python. Each thread will represent a router instance. The threads (routers) can communicate through a shared queue.

For the following sample topology,



the program should parse the following input to understand the topology of the network:

3

ABC

A B 5

AC2

EOF

where:

- The first line represents the number of routers present in the network.
- The second line represents the fixed name (interface) of the router.
- The third line like "A B 5" represents the cost of link connecting nodes A and B. Similar semantics is followed until the last line.
- The last line represents the end of file (denoted by "EOF").

Output and implementation:

The output should initially display the routing tables of each router.

After 2 seconds, each router should forward it's routing table to the adjacent routers using a shared queue.

The routers should now update their table entries using the Bellman Ford equation.

The updated routing tables of each router should be displayed on the terminal.

Note that each time the routing tables are displayed, the iteration number should be also displayed along with it. Also, those entries of the table that were updated in the latest computation round should be marked with an asterisk (*).

After each computation, the routers should wait for 2 seconds and then forward the tables.

Since each router knows the number of adjacent routers, each router will wait to receive the table from ALL the adjacent routers and only then perform computation.

The output to be displayed should be very intuitive and must clearly display the entries of each router after every iteration.

It should be noted that the computations should be performed in a decentralized manner in each individual thread. The code should be well documented.

Submission instructions:

You have to submit <roll no>_<name>_A4.zip consisting of the following files:

- <roll no>_dvr.py: this is the python file that executes the dvr algorithm. It should take the name of input file (consisting of topology information as mentioned before) as a command line argument. We will test the code with our own input file. Your code should successfully parse any input file given in the above format.
- <roll no>.pdf: report explaining:
 - o instructions that *clearly* describe how to run your code
 - the working of your code
 - the testing that was applied
 - o screenshots of the respective outputs.
- <roll no>.mp4 (or any other format) : 5 minutes (approx.) video file clearly explaining the code and demonstrating the various test cases that you have tried.