

PROJECT

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1 Creating a graph from GTFS data

1.1 Importing relevant GTFS data

Our city of choice for the project is Phoenix, in Arizona.

We use the public data available here: <https://transitfeeds.com/p/valley-metro/68/latest>

The difficulty here was to import the relevant data and convert it to a graph. Some Python libraries seem to exist but none was convenient for the project, so we needed to transform the data manually. After reading documentation on GTFS, we needed only two files from the data feed: `stops.txt` and `stop_times.txt`.

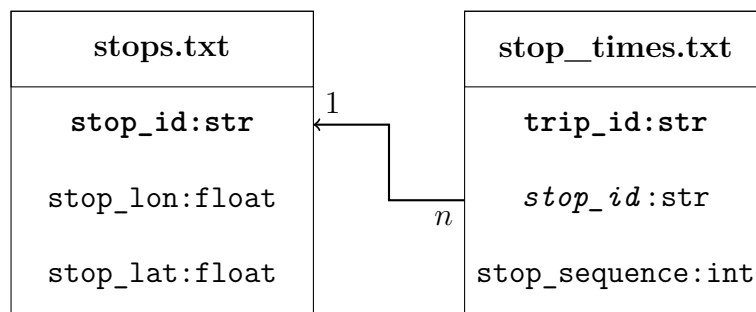


Figure 1 – Database representation of the relevant GTFS files

The nodes of the graph are directly given by the file `stops.txt`, so we can just parse the file to import them. This is done in the `import_nodes` function of `gtfs.py`.

Whereas the edges need some operations:

1. Parse the file
2. Regroup in order the stops in the same trips
3. Create edges between consecutive stops in a trip

This is done in the `import_edges` function of `gtfs.py`.

1.2 Creating a graph

The `Graph` class is in `graph.py`.

The class supports weighted directed graphs, but unweighted or undirected graphs can also be created.

The class constructor accepts an optional parameter which is a callback to compute weight from two given nodes. In our case, this function takes two **Stop** (defined in [gtfs.py](#)) instances and returns the Euclidian distance between them:

$$\text{compute_weight} : (s, s') \mapsto \sqrt{(s'_{\text{lat}} - s_{\text{lat}})^2 + (s'_{\text{lon}} - s_{\text{lon}})^2}$$

If this parameter is not passed, all edge weights will be set to 0.

The support for directions comes from the **neighbors_in** and **neighbors_out** methods. The method **neighbors** can be used instead for undirected graphs.

After testing the pathfinding methods (see [section 2](#)), we realized that our way of storing neighbors was not optimized.

Indeed we stored the neighbors in a huge adjacency list. So when we needed to compute some neighbors, we had to search in the whole list for neighbors.

So we optimized this aspect. We are now storing the neighbors of a node inside the **Node** object itself. This implementation has redundancy in memory, but fetching the neighbors of a node is now $\mathcal{O}(1)$ for the **neighbors_out** and **neighbors_in** methods, but not for **neighbors** since it computes the union of two sets.

1.3 Results

- 7982 lines from **stops.txt** were imported to 7982 nodes in the graph.
- 1720661 lines from **stop_times.txt** were imported to 8462 edges in the graph.
This is not surprising, because one line is used for a single stop in a single trip at certain hours: there are a lot of redundancies.

	import_stops	import_edges	Graph
Before neighbors optimization	38.61	4211.02	78.64
	31.75	5036.29	49.05
	44.50	5085.64	68.83
	28.56	3786.03	43.43
	26.48	4070.86	43.62
After neighbors optimization	27.24	4931.54	155.09
	29.34	3610.81	74.15
	49.93	4096.88	115.51
	28.70	3279.42	86.15
	26.39	3685.92	82.94

Table 1 – Execution time (ms) for the graph creation over several tries

We see in this [Table 1](#) that after the optimization described in [subsection 1.2](#), the execution time for the **Graph** instantiation has increased from an average of 56.71 ms to 102.77 ms. This can be explained by the new storage method of neighbors: we need to add two different tuples into two different sets.

2 Finding the shortest paths

Appendix

A gtf.py

```
1 from typing import Tuple
2 from sys import argv
3 from os import getcwd
4 from os.path import join
5 from time import perf_counter
6 from math import sqrt
7 from timing import timing
8 from pathfinding import *
9 from clustering import clustering
10
11
12 Position = Tuple[float, float]
13
14 class Stop:
15     """Stop representation
16
17     # Properties
18     - 'id' - Unique identifier
19     - 'position' - Position of the stop
20     """
21
22     def __init__(self, id: str, lat: float, lon: float):
23         self.__id: str = id
24         self.__position: Position = (lat, lon)
25
26     def from_csv(line: str) -> 'Stop':
27         """Construct a Stop instance from CSV data
28
29         # Arguments
30         - 'line' - CSV line containing data of the stop
31         """
32         data = line.split(",")
33         return Stop(data[0], float(data[4]), float(data[5]))
34
35     def __repr__(self) -> str:
36         return "{0} {1}".format(self.__id, self.__position)
37
38     def __eq__(self, other: 'Stop') -> bool:
39         return self.id == other.id and self.position == other.position
40
41     def __hash__(self) -> int:
42         return hash((self.__id, self.__position))
43
44     @property
45     def id(self) -> str:
46         return self.__id
47
48     @property
49     def position(self) -> Position:
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50         return self.__position
51
52
53 def import_stops(file: str) -> Tuple[List[Stop], Dict[str, int]]:
54     """Import stops from GTFS 'stops.txt'
55
56     # Arguments
57     - 'file' - Path to the file
58
59     # Return value
60     Tuple '(stops, id_map)' where 'stops' is a list of 'Stop' instances, and 'id_map' is a dictionary 'stop.id => node_id' where 'node_id' is the index of the node in 'stops'
61     """
62     stops: List[Stop] = []
63     id_map: Dict[str, int] = dict()
64     with open(file, "rt") as data:
65         for (i, line) in enumerate(data.readlines()[1:]):
66             stop = Stop.from_csv(line)
67             stops.append(stop)
68             id_map[stop.id] = i
69     return (stops, id_map)
70
71 def import_edges(file: str) -> Set[Tuple[str, str]]:
72     """Import edges from GTFS 'stop_times.txt'
73
74     # Arguments
75     - 'file' - Path to the file
76
77     # Return value
78     Set of ordered tuples of stop IDs
79     """
80     trips: Dict[str, Dict[int, str]] = dict()
81     # Import raw data
82     with open(file, "rt") as data:
83         for line in data.readlines()[1:]:
84             cols = line.split(",")
85             if cols[0] not in trips:
86                 trips[cols[0]] = dict()
87                 trips[cols[0]][int(cols[4])] = cols[3]
88     # Transform data
89     edges: Set[Tuple[str, str]] = set()
90     for trip in trips.values():
91         stop_seq = sorted(trip)
92         for (i, stop) in enumerate(stop_seq[:-1]):
93             edges.add((trip[stop], trip[stop_seq[i + 1]]))
94     return edges
95
96
97 if __name__ == "__main__":
98     DATAPATH = argv[1] if len(argv) > 1 else getcwd()
99     # Import data
100     ((stops, id_map), exetime) = timing(import_stops)(join(DATAPATH, "stops.txt"))
101     print("Imported {0} stops in {1}ms".format(len(stops), exetime * 1e3))
102     (edges, exetime) = timing(import_edges)(join(DATAPATH, "stop_times.txt"))
103     print("Imported {0} edges in {1}ms".format(len(edges), exetime * 1e3))

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104
105 # Construct graph
106 exetime = perf_counter()
107 GRAPH = Graph(stops, compute_weight=lambda u, v: sqrt(
108     (v.position[0] - u.position[0]) ** 2 + (v.position[1] - u.position[1]) ** 2))
109
110 for edge in edges:
111     GRAPH.add_edge(id_map[edge[0]], id_map[edge[1]])
112
113 print("Constructed graph in {0}ms".format((perf_counter() - exetime) * 1e3))
114
115 # Construct pathfinders
116 BFS = Pathfinder(GRAPH, bfs)
117 DIJKSTRA = Pathfinder(GRAPH, dijkstra)
118
119 # Detect clustering
120 # clustering(DIJKSTRA, stops.keys(), 5)

```

B graph.py

```

1 from typing import Callable, Generic, Iterable, Iterator, List, Set, Tuple, ←
  TypeVar
2
3
4 T = TypeVar("T")
5 Adjacency = Tuple[int, float]
6
7 class Node(Generic[T]):
8     """Graph node representation
9
10    # Generic
11    - 'T' - Type of the node value
12
13    # Properties
14    - 'value' - Value of the node
15    - 'neighbors_out' - Outward neighbors of the node
16    - 'neighbors_in' - Inward neighbors of the node
17    """
18
19    def __init__(self, value: T):
20        self.__value = value
21        self.__neighbors_out: Set[Adjacency] = set()
22        self.__neighbors_in: Set[Adjacency] = set()
23
24    def __repr__(self) -> str:
25        return repr(self.__value)
26
27    def __eq__(self, other: 'Node') -> bool:
28        return self.value == other.value and self.neighbors_out == other.←
29            neighbors_out and self.neighbors_in == other.neighbors_in
30
31    def __hash__(self) -> int:
32        return hash((self.__value, frozenset(self.__neighbors_out), frozenset(self.←
33            .__neighbors_in)))

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33     @property
34     def value(self) -> T:
35         return self.__value
36
37     @property
38     def neighbors_out(self) -> Set[Adjacency]:
39         return self.__neighbors_out
40
41     @property
42     def neighbors_in(self) -> Set[Adjacency]:
43         return self.__neighbors_in
44
45 class Graph(Generic[T]):
46     """Graph (weighted directed) representation
47
48     # Generic
49     - 'T' - Type of the nodes
50
51     # Properties
52     - 'nodes' - List of nodes
53     - 'compute_weight' - Function to compute edge weight from two nodes
54     """
55
56     def __init__(self, nodes: Iterable[T], compute_weight: Callable[[T, T], float] ←
57         = None):
58         self.__nodes: List[Node[T]] = []
59         for node in nodes:
60             self.add_node(node)
61         self.__size: int = 0
62         self.__compute_weight = compute_weight
63
64     def __iter__(self) -> Iterator[Node[T]]:
65         return iter(self.__nodes)
66
67     def __getitem__(self, key: int) -> Node[T]:
68         return self.__nodes[key]
69
70     @property
71     def order(self) -> int:
72         return len(self.__nodes)
73
74     @property
75     def size(self) -> int:
76         return self.__size
77
78     def add_node(self, node: T) -> int:
79         """Add a node to the graph
80
81         # Arguments
82         - 'node' - Node value to add
83
84         # Return value
85         Key of the newly-added node
86         """
87         self.__nodes.append(Node(node))
88         return len(self.__nodes) - 1

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88
89 def add_edge(self, u: int, v: int):
90     """Add an edge 'u-(weight)->v' to the graph
91
92     Will compute the weight using the 'compute_weight' property.
93     If 'compute_weight' is 'None', the weight will be 0.
94
95     # Arguments
96     - 'u' - Key of the first node
97     - 'v' - Key of the second node
98
99     # Errors thrown
100    - 'ValueError' if both keys are equal
101    """
102    if u == v:
103        raise ValueError("u={0} and v={0} are equal".format(u, v))
104    else:
105        weight = float(0) if self.__compute_weight is None else self.↵
        __compute_weight(self.__nodes[u].value, self.__nodes[v].value)
106        self.__nodes[u].neighbors_out.add((v, weight))
107        self.__nodes[v].neighbors_in.add((u, weight))
108        self.__size += 1

```

C pathfinding.py

```

1  from typing import Callable, Dict, List, Set
2  from math import inf
3  from graph import Graph
4
5
6  class Pathfinder:
7      """Wrapping class to allow pathfinding in graphs
8
9      # Properties
10     - 'graph' - Graph used to compute pathfinding
11     - 'previous' - Dictionary 'from => to => previous' where 'previous' is the ↵
        previous node of 'to' when searching from 'from'
12     - 'distance' - Dictionary 'from => to => distance'
13     - 'method' - Function to compute shortest paths from a node
14     """
15
16     def __init__(self, graph: Graph, method: Callable[['Pathfinder', int], None]):
17         self.graph = graph
18         self._previous: Dict[int, Dict[int, int]] = dict()
19         self._distance: Dict[int, Dict[int, float]] = dict()
20         self._method = method
21
22     def has_path(self, u: int, v: int) -> bool:
23         """Check if a path exist between two nodes
24
25         # Arguments
26         - 'u' - Key of the starting node
27         - 'v' - Key of the ending node
28

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29         # Return value
30         'True' if a path exists; 'False' otherwise
31         """
32         return u in self._previous and v in self._previous[u]
33
34     def get_path(self, u: int, v: int):
35         """Get the shortest path between two nodes
36
37         # Arguments
38         - 'u' - Key of the starting node
39         - 'v' - Key of the ending node
40
41         # Return value
42         Ordered list of node keys; or 'None' if a path does not exist
43         """
44         if u not in self._previous:
45             self._method(self, u)
46         if not self.has_path(u, v):
47             return None
48         else:
49             path: List[str] = [v]
50             current = v
51             while current != u:
52                 next = self._previous[u][current]
53                 path.append(next)
54                 current = next
55             path.reverse()
56             return path
57
58     def get_distance(self, u: int, v: int) -> float:
59         """Get the distance between two nodes
60
61         # Arguments
62         - 'u' - Key of the starting node
63         - 'v' - Key of the ending node
64
65         # Return value
66         Distance from 'u' to 'v', in edges
67         """
68         if u not in self._previous:
69             self._method(self, u)
70         return self._distance[u][v] if v in self._distance[u] else inf
71
72
73     def bfs(self: Pathfinder, v: int):
74         """Breadth-First Search method for 'Pathfinder'"""
75         if v not in self._previous:
76             self._previous[v] = dict()
77             self._distance[v] = dict()
78             self._distance[v][v] = 0
79             queue = [v]
80             while len(queue) > 0:
81                 current = queue.pop(0)
82                 for (u, _) in self.graph.neighbors_out(current):
83                     if u not in self._previous[v]:
84                         self._previous[v][u] = current

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85         self._distance[v][u] = self._distance[v][current] + 1
86         queue.append(u)
87
88
89 def dijkstra(self: Pathfinder, v: int):
90     """Dijkstra method for 'Pathfinder'"""
91     if v not in self._previous:
92         self._previous[v] = dict()
93         self._distance[v] = dict()
94         self._distance[v][v] = 0
95         marked: Set[int] = set()
96         queue = [v]
97         while len(queue) > 0:
98             current = queue.pop(0)
99             marked.add(current)
100             for (u, weight) in self.graph.neighbors_out(current):
101                 tentative_distance = self._distance[v][current] + weight
102                 if u not in self._distance[v] or tentative_distance < self._distance[v][u]:
103                     self._previous[v][u] = current
104                     self._distance[v][u] = tentative_distance
105                 if u not in marked:
106                     queue.append(u)

```