

R14 Johnson's Algorithm

Single Source Shortest Paths Review

Restrictions		SSSP Algorithm	
Graph	Weights	Name	Running Time $O(\cdot)$
General	Unweighted	BFS	$ V + E $
DAG	Any	DAG Relaxation	$ V + E $
General	Non-negative	Dijkstra	$ V \log V + E $
General	Any	Bellman-Ford	$ V \cdot E $

To solve shortest paths problems, you must first define or construct a graph related to your problem, and then running an SSSP algorithm on that graph in a way that solves your problem.

- Also can solve other problems
 - 例えば, count connect components in a graph using Full-DFS or Full-BFS
 - topologically sort vertices in a DAG using DFS
 - detect negative weight cycles using Bellman-Ford.

All Pairs Shortest Paths

APSP problem asks for the minimum weight $\delta(u, v)$ of any path from u to v for every pair of vertices u, v in V .

A straight-forward way to solve this problem is to reduce to solving an SSSP problem $|V|$ times, once from each vertex in V .

Johnson's Algorithm

The idea behind Johnson's Algorithm is to reduce the APSP problem on a graph with arbitrary edge weights to the APSP problem on a graph with non-negative edge weights.

Then finding shortest paths in the re-weighted graph using $|V|$ times Dijkstra will solve the original problem.

change the weight of each edge (a, b) from $w(a, b)$ to $w'(a, b) = w(a, b) + h(a) - h(b)$, to form a new weight graph $G' = (V, E, w')$.

- proof in LEC NOTE

Find a vertex assignment function h

add a new node x to G with a directed edge from x to v for each vertex $v \in V$ to construct graph G^* , letting $h(v) = \delta(x, v)$. This assignment of h ensures that $w'(a, b) \geq 0$ for every edge (a, b) .

Claim:

If $h(v) = \delta(x, v)$ and $h(v)$ is finite, then $w'(a, b) = w(a, b) + h(a) - h(b) \geq 0$ for every edge $(a, b) \in E$.

- Proof

This Claim is equivalent to claiming $\delta(x, b) \leq w(a, b) + \delta(x, a)$ for every edge $(a, b) \in E$, i.e. the minimum weight of any path from x to b in G^* is not greater than the minimum weight of any path from x to a than traversing the edge from a to b , which is true by definition of minimum weight. (This is simply a restatement of the triangle inequality.)

Algorithm process

1. Johnson's algorithm computes $h(v) = \delta(x, v)$, negative minimum weight distances from the added node x , using Bellman-Ford. If $\delta(x, v) = -\infty$ for any vertex v , then there must be a negative weight cycle in the graph, and Johnson's can terminate as no output is required.
2. Otherwise, Johnson's can re-weight the edges of G to $w'(a, b) = w(a, b) + h(a) - h(b) \geq 0$ into G' containing only positive edge weights.
3. Then we can run Dijkstra ($O(|V|\log|V| + |E|)$) $|V|$ times on G' to find a single source shortest paths distance from each vertex u in G' .
4. Then we can compute each $\delta(u, v)$ by setting it to $\delta'(u, v) - \delta(x, u) + \delta(x, v)$.

5. Running Time

Johnson's takes $O(|V||E|)$ time to run Bellman-Ford on x to every vertex in graph.
and $O(|V|(|V| \log |V| + |E|))$ time to run Dijkstra $|V|$ times,
so this algorithm runs in $O(|V|^2 \log |V| + |V||E|)$ time, asymptotically better than $O(|V|^2|E|)$ which run $|V|$ times *Bellman – Ford*.