The Knowledge Discovery Toolbox (Version 0.1) User Guide

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- Confirm start-up instructions (from shell) after SVN directories are moved around
- Examples for centrality() and pageRank()

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1 Overview

The Knowledge Discovery Toolbox (KDT) provides subject-matter experts with a simple interface to analyze very large graphs quickly and effectively without requiring knowledge of the underlying graph representation or algorithms. Domain experts are defined as experts in a field of study that is not graphs and graph algorithms, though they may have some familiarity with graph algorithms by using them. Because KDT is open-source, it can be customized or extended by interested (and intrepid) users.

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This early release provides a tiny selection of functions on directed graphs ranging from simple exploratory functions to complex algorithms. The current version works on graphs contained in the memory of multiple computers in a cluster (while hiding data representation and partitioning from the user). Notes specific to this version will be denoted by "Version 0.1" and appear in blue text.

1.1 Context

While graphs represent many real-world relationships in a mathematically robust way, their analysis with current methods does not scale. The modern "data tsunami" has created graphs in critical scientific and societal domains that are large enough to be prohibitively time-consuming to analyze with well-known methods. This has led graph-analysis experts to create more efficient graph analysis algorithms, but has also led to a gap between those experts and the non-graph subject-matter experts who need to use them. KDT counters the trend by exposing an API through the Python language that is efficiently and scalably implemented on computer clusters, while remaining suitable for domain experts by hiding the underlying implementation.

KDT is intended to accelerate a virtuous cycle among (a) subject-matter experts who need to analyze graphs that don't fit in the memory of a single computer node; (b) researchers working on improved graph algorithms; and (c) developers of tool infrastructure. We envision that subject-matter experts will do more analysis of large graphs with the current algorithms in KDT and provide feedback on which algorithms are (not) most useful for the large graphs in their domains. This will spur algorithm researchers and tool developers to develop new variants to analyze the subject-matter experts' graphs better.

We believe that many of the subject-matter experts don't know exactly what analysis they need to perform on their data, so they need to explore different algorithms and analyses. The KDT's goal is for the (intrepid) subject-matter expert (or her graduate student) to be able to compose building blocks at the Python level and explore interactively.

KDT's complex algorithms are difficult for even graph experts to verify, and so whenever possible KDT supports internal or user-driven verification of results. That variously consists of internal checks in KDT routines, companion routines that can validate a data structure (i.e., isBfsTree()) can validate the results of bfsTree()), and synthetic inputs whose metrics can be analytically derived (i.e., each vertex of the graph created by twoDTorus(nnodes) has an identical betweenness centrality value of

0.5 * 2**(3*scale*0.5) - 2**scale + 1 for an even nnodes, where scale is equal to log2(nnodes**2).

1.2 Intended use cases

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To tie KDT's development to the needs of potential users, this early release targets a small set of use cases. They all assume that the data about graph edges exists in "triplet" format, where the triplet is the source vertex, the destination vertex, and the attribute(s), such as weight and label, of the edge.

1.2.1 Creating a random power-law graph and calculating a breadth-first-search tree Following the <u>Graph500</u> benchmark, this use creates a random power-law graph in memory, calculates a breadth-first-search (BFS) tree from a starting vertex, and verifies the BFS tree.

1.2.2 Calculating the centrality of vertices of a graph

Centrality can be a step toward clustering that removes the most central vertices, but it is also an important metric in its own right for understanding which vertices most keep the graph connected. Exact betweenness centrality is simultaneously viewed by some researchers as not robust enough, because it provides information on only the single shortest path between two vertices, and by others as too computationally expensive, because its cost grows on the order of the number of vertices squared times the length of the longest path. For maximum flexibility, KDT provides a range of algorithms for calculating centrality from across the accuracy vs. execution-cost continuum.

1.2.3 Clustering the vertices of a graph

Clustering provides insight into which vertices are most associated by some criterion. As with centrality, KDT will later provide a few algorithms, believed to work best on very large data, that will be selected from many that have been proposed or implemented. Our current thinking is to implement Markov clustering first.

1.3 Deferred use cases

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KDT is envisioned to grow over time to support capabilities not included in this early release. The list of the deferred features includes: undirected graphs, multigraphs, and hypergraphs; general-purpose attributes, such as labels on vertices and edges; visualization of resulting graphs; support on other than x86-64 Linux clusters; and a disk-based implementation, for problems that do not fit in the memory of a computational cluster. The KDT developers believe that general-purpose attributes on edges and vertices are particularly critical to the applicability of the KDT, but we don't yet understand exactly what those attributes and operations on them should look like, so they are not in v0.1.

1.4 Legend and Naming Convention

In the function interface descriptions, required arguments are shown in black text, optional arguments in square brackets, and (optional) expert arguments are shown in grey.

```
cl = cluster('Markov',G[, nclus=k][, power=r])
```

For example, in the cluster function, 'Markov' and G are required arguments, nclus is an optional argument, and power is an optional expert argument.

Names follow the Python convention of generally using lower case and capitalizing the first letter of a class name (DiGraph, e.g.), sometimes referred to as Pascal case. Multi-word member names follow the so-called camel case, where the first letter is lower case but the first letter of subsequent words is capitalized, such as sendFeedback.

1.5 Giving feedback to the KDT developers

KDT includes sendFeedback, a built-in feedback method that enables users to type in code that they wish KDT could execute and then send it to the developers. It uses IPython's %logstart facility to capture the code snippet. In Python code interpreters other than IPython the feedback mechanism will not work but will not otherwise obstruct program execution.

For sites that cannot directly send email onto the Internet, the default email address (in feedback.py, variable name _kdt_Alias) can be changed to an internal collection point.

The feedback mechanism can be used as follows:

In the course of solving your problem, when you need a function not implemented by KDT, type the code that you want KDT to support (which will evoke an error) and invoke its sendFeedback method. It will capture the most recent lines you've typed, create a file from them, and give you an opportunity to edit the file and add supporting comments. If you have feedback that is not directly related to a desired method, that can also be edited into the file. It will then prompt you for confirmation to send the file to the the KDT developers.

With a legend of user input / system responses / user annotation, an IPython session might look like:

2 Graph500 example

The Graph500 benchmark has replaced SSCA #2 [SSCA] as the primary benchmark for a segment of the graph-analysis research community. This new benchmark is "needed in order to guide the design of hardware architectures and software systems intended to support such applications and to help procurements. Graph algorithms are a core part of many analytics workloads." The specification currently describes two kernels that, respectively, create the edge tuples and perform a breadth-first search of the graph from a start vertex. (Future kernels are expected to calculate single-source shortest path and the maximal independent set.) This section explicates the implementation of kernel 2 of the benchmark with KDT.

This section assumes that Python, IPython, and KDT have already been installed in their default locations. You can type the following to start a serial IPython session to run the Graph500 script and understand how it works. For instructions on how to run KDT and Graph500 in parallel with Python, see section 4.3.

```
[sam@neumann ~]$ which ipython
/usr/bin/ipython
[sam@neumann ~]$ ipython
Python 2.4.3 (#1, Nov 11 2010, 13:30:19)
Type "copyright", "credits" or "license" for more information.
IPython 0.8.4 -- An enhanced Interactive Python.
          -> Introduction and overview of IPython's features.
%quickref -> Quick reference.
         -> Python's own help system.
object? -> Details about 'object'. ?object also works, ?? prints
more.
In [1]: import sys
                                       [[FIX: double-check path]]
In [2]: sys.path.append('/opt/kdt')
In [3]: import Graph500
Activating auto-logging. Current session state plus future input
saved.
               : .KDT_log #This output is from the startup of the IPython logstart
Filename
                            # mechanism used for the sendFeedback function
               : over
Output logging : False
                           # from Section 1.5
Raw input log : False
                            #
                                  W //
                                  w //
                            #
Timestamping : False
                         #
                                  w #
               : active
State
Using fully connected graph generator
Graph500 benchmark run for scale = 8
Kernel 1 time = 0.0001 seconds
```

Looking at the code in /opt/kdt/Graph500.py [[FIX: double-check path]], we can see how the Graph500 specification is met with KDT methods.

```
import time
import numpy as np
import scipy as sc
import kdt
#
           [...]
#
#
     previous kernels have created the following live variables
#
     scale: the log base 2 of the number of edges in the graph
#
     edges: the edges originally used to build the graph
#
     G:
              the directed graph
```

The following code selects vertices, each to be used as the root of a BFS tree, as specified by the benchmark. KDT-specific functions are shown in **blue**; overloaded Python operators are not highlighted.

The code segment below repeatedly calls the KDT bfsTree method, which creates a BFS tree for the graph and given starting vertex, and then validates the BFS tree via the user-written k2Validate function. Each element of the parents vector points to its (unique) parent in the tree.

```
for i in starts:
    start = deg3verts[i]
    before = time.clock()
    parents = G.bfsTree(start, sym=True)
    k2Elapsed += time.clock() - before
```

```
if not k2Validate(G, start, parents):
    print "Invalid BFS tree generated by kdt.bfsTree"
[origI, origJ, ign] = G.toParVec()
K2edges += len((parents[origI] != -1).find())
```

The k2Validate user method calls the KDT isBfsTree method, which further illustrates the use of KDT with edge and vertex vectors. For instance, one section of isBfsTree code validates that each edge's endpoints are one level apart in the BFS tree. (Note that since isBfsTree is within the DiGraph class itself, which inherits the Graph class that contains the ParVec class, the code does not refer to the DiGraph module explicitly. Note further that this code is in /opt/kdt/DiGraph.py) [[FIX: double-check path]].

These very brief examples illustrate key points of KDT. First, the operations are graph operations, performed on graphs and (distributed edge- and vertex-) vectors. Second, to the extent practical, graph objects are accessible via standard Python methods such as subscripting, comparisons, and utility functions such as len.

3 Algorithms, Methods and Classes

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This early release of KDT supports only directed graphs with single edges between any two vertices, via the DiGraph class in the DiGraph module of the distributed memory version of KDT.

Collections of vertices and edges are represented as ParVec class instances. See section 3.3 for details about the class and method structure.

To save repetition, for the remainder of this section we assume that KDT has been imported as $import\ kdt$

and that the DiGraph instance being operated on has the variable name G.

3.1 Algorithms

The KDT DiGraph class includes the algorithms in this section.

3.1.1 Centrality

Centrality is the degree to which, by some measure, a vertex is *central* to a graph. There is a wide variety of measures used and means of calculating those measures and hence numerous centrality algorithms.

Syntax

```
c = G.centrality('<algorithm>'[, <algorithm-specific keyword arguments>])
```

Description

The centrality function takes as input a DiGraph object and an algorithm identifier (see below) and returns a ParVec (of length equal to the number of vertices in the graph) that contains, for each respective vertex of the graph, the vertex's centrality value. Optional algorithm-specific keyword arguments may also be specified as described by the algorithm-specific sections below.

3.1.1.1 Exact betweenness centrality algorithm

Betweenness centrality is the degree to which a vertex is *between* all other vertices in the graph, calculated as the fraction of shortest paths between two vertices that pass through the given vertex [Freeman 1977].

Syntax

```
cl = G.centrality('exactBC'[, normalize=True])
```

Description

The exactBC algorithm calculates exact betweenness centrality on the graph. The optional algorithm-specific normalize argument, which defaults to True, causes the function to normalize the betweenness values by dividing each value by (#vertices-1)*(#vertices-2).

Performance

Exact betweenness centrality has computational complexity of O(#vertices**2 * diameter(graph)), so it can be prohibitively expensive for large graphs, while approximate betweenness centrality is less computationally expensive.

3.1.1.2 Approximate betweenness centrality algorithm

This algorithm [Bader] approximates betweenness centrality for each vertex by using a sample of vertices between which to calculate the fraction of shortest paths, rather than using all vertices as in exact betweenness centrality.

Syntax

```
cl = G.centrality('approxBC'[, normalize=True, sample=])
```

Description

The approxBC algorithm performs approximate betweenness centrality on the graph. The optional algorithm-specific normalize argument, which defaults to True, causes the function to normalize the betweenness values by scaling each value by the inverse of the sample factor (# total vertices / (#vertices actually calculated) and the inverse of (#vertices-1)*(#vertices-2). The optional sample expert argument is a floating-point value between 0 and 1 that denotes the fraction of vertices whose connecting paths are calculated in the approximation; a value of 1.0 equates to exact betweenness centrality; the default value is 0.05.

Performance

Approximate betweenness centrality has computational complexity of O(sample * #vertices**2 * diameter(graph)).

3.1.1 PageRank

The PageRank algorithm [Page] computes a Web page's importance based on the number and importance of links to it.

Syntax

```
c = G.pageRank([epsilon = 0.1][, dampingFactor = 0.85])
```

Description

The pageRank function takes as input a DiGraph object and optional arguments and returns a ParVec (of length equal to the number of vertices in the graph) that contains, for each respective vertex of the graph, the vertex's rank. The optional argument epsilon controls the stopping condition; iteration stops when the 1-norm of the difference in two successive result vectors is less than epsilon; the default is 0.1. The optional argument dampingFactor alters the results and speed of convergence, denoting the probability that the random surfer hops to an adjacent vertex (rather than hopping to a random vertex in the graph); the default value is 0.85.

The PageRank algorithm computes the percentage of time that a "random surfer" spends at each vertex in the graph. If the random surfer is at vertex V, she will take one of two actions:

- She will hope to another vertex to which vertex V has an outward edge (self loops are ignored).
- She will randomly hop to any vertex in the graph. This action is taken with probability (1 dampingFactor)

3.1.2 Search

Several graph algorithms search for connectedness within the graph, such as trees, connected components, independent sets, paths, etc.

3.1.2.1 Breadth-first Search Tree

The bfsTree function creates a breadth-first search tree of a DiGraph instance from a starting vertex.

Syntax

```
parents = G.bfsTree(start[, sym=False])
```

Description

The BFS function takes as input a DiGraph instance and the index of the vertex from which to start the search. It returns a ParVec (of length equal to the number of vertices in the graph) that denotes, for each respective vertex of the graph, the vertex's parent in the BFS tree. The start vertex's parent is itself. A vertex that is unreachable from the start vertex has a parent of -1. The optional expert argument sym denotes whether the graph is a symmetric graph, which if True enables the operation to run faster.

3.2 General-purpose methods

The KDT DiGraph, ParVec, and SpParVec classes include the general-purpose methods in this section.

3.2.1 Built-in methods for ParVec vectors

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The ParVec class represents vertex and directed-edge vectors. Its implementation for distributed memory includes a significant but not complete set of methods, which are mapped onto standard Python operators or methods consistent with clear understandability.

Note: In version 0.1, ParVec instances only support a 64-bit floating-point or integer elemental datatype, and no explicit Boolean datatype. Any ParVec whose elements are each either 0 or 1, such as "kdt.ParVec.range(n) < k", will be viewed as a Boolean vector for indexing purposes. The isBool() method tests this characteristic.

Syntax

```
# v, v2, and v3 are ParVec instances
# k is an integer scalar, m is an integer or floating-point scalar
v2 = v > k
                     # v2 is a Boolean vector, where each element
v2 = v >= k
                     # is the comparison of the corresponding
v2 = v < k
                     # element of v with the scalar k
v2 = v \le k
v2 = v == k
v2 = v != k
v2 = v > v3
                    # v2 is a Boolean vector, where each element
                     # is the comparison of the corresponding
v2 = v >= v3
v2 = v < v3
                    # elements of v and v3
```

```
v2 = v <= v3
v2 = v == v3
v2 = v != v3
v2 = \sim v
                       # negation (only for Boolean vectors)
v3 = v \& v2
v3 = v \mid v2
v3 = v ^ v2
v3 = v + k
v3 = v + v2
v += k
v += v2
v3 = -v
v3 = v - k
v3 = v - v2
v -= k
v -= v2
v3 = v * k
v3 = v * v2
v3 = v / k
v3 = v / v2
v3 = v % k
v3 = v % v2
v[k] = m
m = v[k]
v[vec] = m
                      # vec an integer vector
v2 = v[vec]
v.abs()
v2 = abs(v)
print v
v.printAll()
```

Description

These methods have their standard definitions in Python with the following exceptions:

- Only a key set of indexing ("[]") modes are supported. The right-hand side modes all return a
 ParVec instance with length equal to the number of requested elements, unless otherwise
 noted.
 - o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a scalar, returning a scalar.
 - o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a Boolean ParVec instance.

- o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a non-Boolean ParVec instance.
- o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a Boolean SpParVec instance.
- o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a non-Boolean SpParVec instance, returning a SpParVec instance.
- o Indexing on the left-hand side by a scalar index with a scalar value, changing a single value.
- o Indexing on the left-hand side by a Boolean ParVec index with a scalar value, changing the indicated values of the base ParVec instance to the value of the scalar.
- o Indexing on the left-hand side by a Boolean ParVec index with a ParVec value, changing the values of the base ParVec instance corresponding to the True values of the ParVec index to the corresponding values of the ParVec value.
- o Indexing on the left-hand side by a non-Boolean SpParVec index vector with a scalar value.
- o Indexing on the left-hand side by a Boolean SpParVec index with a SpParVec value, changing the indicated values of the base ParVec instance to the corresponding values from the value vector.
- The standard print statement will only print the first 100 (_REPR_MAX) elements of a ParVec instance. Printing all the elements can be achieved via printAll.

3.2.2 Non-built-in methods for ParVec vectors

The ParVec class implements several other methods, some of which are common Python names and some which are not.

Syntax

```
v2 = v.logical_not() # also accessible via not keyword
k = v.len()
                     # number of nulls
k = v.nn()
k = v.nnn()
                     # number of nonnulls
v = kdt.ParVec.ones(size)
v = kdt.ParVec.zeros(size)
v = kdt.ParVec.broadcast(size, value)
v = kdt.ParVec.range([start,] stop)
v2 = v.findInds()
m = v.max()
m = v.min()
m = v.sum()
m = v.norm(ord=1) # 1-norm
v.randPerm()
```

Description

These methods have their standard Python or SciPy definitions, with the following exceptions.

Assignment ("=") of a ParVec to another variable name does not create a copy of the object, following Python usage for complex objects. The copy method can be used if a copy is needed.

The allCloseToInt method returns a Boolean scalar denoting whether all the elements of the vector are within machine precision of an integer value.

The broadcast method creates a vector of constant value, equivalent to (but faster than) ones(size)*value.

The norm method (modeled on the NumPy method) calculates only the 1-norm.

The nn and nnn methods return the number of nulls and nonnulls, respectively, with nnn behaving the same as SciPy's getnnz. The findInds method returns the indices of nonnull elements of the input ParVec instance, the same as NumPy/SciPy's nonzero method. The distinct names were chosen to provide future flexibility for a sparse ParVec class with a configurable null (zero) element.

The randPerm method randomly permutes the elements of the ParVec instance.

3.2.3 Built-in methods for SpParVec vectors

The SpParVec class implements data structures and operations for sparse distributed vectors; "sparse" in the sense that only non-null values are actually stored and represented in the vector.

Note: Operations on SpParVec instance(s) typically operate only on the non-null values, which is different from MATLAB behavior. Thus the all method, for instance, returns True if all the nonnull elements are True, ignoring the values of any null elements. Similarly, subtraction of a scalar from a SpParVec instance will subtract the scalar value only from the nonnull elements of the vector. Addition or logical Or of two SpParVec instances will yield nonnulls in all positions which had a nonnull in either of the inputs. These semantics are intended to reduce the likelihood of sparse vectors unintentionally becoming dense and thus much larger.

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The SpParVec class represents sparse vertex and directed-edge vectors. Its implementation for distributed memory includes a significant but not complete set of methods, which are mapped onto standard Python operators or methods consistent with clear understandability.

Note: In version 0.1, SpParVec instances only support a 64-bit floating-point or integer elemental datatype, and no explicit Boolean datatype. Any SpParVec whose nonnull elements are each either 0 or 1, such as "sparsevec < k", will be viewed as a Boolean vector for indexing purposes. The isBool() method tests this characteristic.

Syntax

```
# v, v2, and v3 are SpParVec instances
# k is an integer scalar, m is an integer or floating-point scalar
v2 = v > k
                      # v2 is a Boolean vector, where each element
v2 = v >= k
                      # is the comparison of the corresponding
v2 = v < k
                      # element of v with the scalar k
v2 = v \le k
v2 = v == k
v2 = v != k
v2 = \sim v
                      # negation (only for Boolean vectors)
v3 = v \& v2
v3 = v \mid v2
v3 = v ^ v2
v3 = v + v2
v += v2
v3 = -v
v3 = v - v2
v -= v2
v3 = v * v9
                      # only for v9 a ParVec instance
v3 = v / v9
                      # only for v9 a ParVec instance
v3 = v % v9
                      # only for v9 a ParVec instance
m = v[k]
v2 = v[vec]
                      # vec an integer SpParVec
v[k] = m
```

Description

These methods have their standard definitions in Python with the following exceptions:

- Only a key set of indexing ("[]") modes are supported. Unless otherwise noted, the right-hand-side modes return a SpParVec instance
 - o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a scalar, returning a scalar.
 - o Indexing on the right-hand side of an equation by a non-Boolean SpParVec instance, with the elements of the result corresponding to the nonnull values of the index set to the values of the base SpParVec instance.
 - o Indexing on the left-hand side by a scalar index (key) with a scalar value.
 - o Indexing on the left-hand side by a Boolean ParVec index with a scalar value, which changes the elements of the base SpParVec corresponding to the True values in the ParVec index to the scalar value.
 - o Indexing on the left-hand side by a Boolean ParVec index with a ParVec value, which changes the elements of the base SpParVec corresponding to the True values in the ParVec index with the values from the ParVec value.
 - o Indexing on the left-hand side by a non-Boolean SpParVec index vector with a scalar value. Only the value elements corresponding to the nonnull elements in the index vector are changed.
 - o Indexing on the left-hand side by a non-Boolean SpParVec index vector with a SpParVec value. Only the value elements corresponding to the nonnull elements in the index vector are changed, to the corresponding elements of the value vector.
- The standard print statement will only print the first 100 (_REPR_MAX) nonnull elements of a SpParVec instance. Printing all the nonnull elements can be achieved via printAll.

3.2.4 Non-built-in methods for SpParVec vectors

The ParVec class implements several other methods, some of which are common Python names and some which are not.

Syntax

```
# v and v2 are SpParVec instances, m a scalar
v2 = v.copy()
                     # deep copy
vDense = v.toParVec() # converts to a (dense) ParVec
boolResult = v.all() # boolResult is a logical scalar
boolResult = v.any()
boolResult = v.isBool()
v.toBool()
                     # converts in-place to True/False (1.0/0.0)
v2 = v.logical_not() # also accessible via not keyword
k = v.len()
k = v.nn()
                    # number of nulls
k = v.nnn()
                    # number of nonnulls
k = v.nnz()
                     # number of nonzeros
v = kdt.SpParVec(size)
                                # all nulls
v = kdt.SpParVec.ones(size) # all ones
v = kdt.SpParVec.range([start, ]stop))
v.spOnes()
                           # each non-null is set to 1
                          # each non-null is set to m
v.set(m)
                          # each non-null is set to its index
v.spRange()
m = v.sum()
                    # the top k largest values
v2 = v.topK(k)
```

Description

These methods have their standard Python or SciPy definitions, with the following exceptions.

Assignment ("=") of a SpParVec object to another variable name does not create a copy of the object, following Python usage for complex objects. The copy method can be used if a copy is needed.

The all method returns True if all nonnull elements of the SpParVec instance are True (not equal to 0.0). The any method returns True if at least one nonnull element of the SpParVec instance is True (not equal to 0.0). The isBool method returns True if all nonnull elements of the SpParVec instance are either True (equal to 1.0) or False (equal to 0.0). The toBool method converts the input SpParVec instance in-place, with each nonnull element set to False (0.0) if it's input value was 0.0 or True (1.0) otherwise.

The len method returns the length (i.e., the maximum number of non-nulls there could ever be) of the SpParVec object. The nn, nnn, and nnz methods return the number of nulls, nonnulls, and nonzeros, respectively. The sum of nn() and nnn() for any SpParVec instance will always be equal to the length of the instance. The distinct names were chosen to provide future flexibility for the SpParVec class' null (zero) element to be configurable.

The SpParVec constructor itself creates an instance of the length specified with all elements null. The ones method creates a SpParVec instance of the length specified with all elements set to 1. The range method creates a SpParVec instance of the length specified with each element set to its index in the vector, with the optional start argument as in standard Python. The spOnes method modifies the bound SpParVec instance by setting all its nonnull elements to 1.0. The set method modifies the bound SpParVec instance by setting all its nonnull elements to the passed value. The spRange method modifies the bound SpParVec instance by setting each of its nonnull elements to its index in the vector.

The sum method sums the nonnull elements of the bound SpParVec instance, returning the scalar result.

The topK method finds the largest k elements in the SpParVec instance, returning them sorted in ascending order in the returned SpParVec instance.

3.2.5 Built-in methods for DiGraph objects

The DiGraph class represents directed graphs. Its implementation for distributed memory includes a small set of methods, some of which are mapped onto standard Python operators or methods consistent with clear understandability.

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DiGraph instances support a 64-bit floating-point or integer elemental datatype and a Boolean datatype, with an explicit conversion required to the Boolean form.

Syntax

```
# G1, G2 and G3 are DiGraphs
G3 = G1 + G2  # elemental addition
G3 += G2  # elemental addition in place
G3 = G1 * G2  # elemental multiplication
G3 *= G2  # elemental multiplication in place
G3 = G1 / G2  # elemental division
G3 /= G2  # elemental division in place
```

print G

Description

These methods have their obvious definitions, with the caveat that the multiplication and division operators yield a null (zero) value in any element for which at least one of the graphs has a null entry. Because DiGraph are often large objects, in-place operators may often make sense to conserve the amount of memory consumed by temporary or transient objects.

The toBool method converts each nonnull element of a DiGraph instance to a Boolean True, thereby consuming less space and enabling faster operations.

The print method for DiGraph objects can be problematic, as they can often be extremely large (billions of elements), for which text display is rarely useful. For v0.1, for small graphs (defined as 100 edges or fewer), the print method will call the toParVec method and print those results. For larger graphs, you can accomplish this yourself by invoking the toParVec method manually and printing those results via ParVec.printAll.

3.2.6 Non-built-in methods for DiGraph objects

In addition to built-in methods, a number of other utility methods are implemented for the DiGraph class.

3.2.6.1 Simple methods

Syntax

```
# G and G2 are DiGraphs
G2 = G.copy()  # deep copy
k = G.nvert()  # number of vertices
k = G.nedge()  # number of edges
G.ones()  # set all non-null edge-weights to 1.0
G.toBool()  # set all non-null edge-weights to True
G.set(k)  # set all non-null edge-weights to k
G.mulNot(G2)  # see below
G.removeSelfLoops()  # remove all edges from a vertex to itself
```

Description

These methods have their obvious definitions with the following elaborations.

Assignment ("=") of a DiGraph object to another variable name does not create a copy of the object, following Python usage for complex objects. The copy method can be used if a copy is needed.

The toBool method converts each nonnull element of a DiGraph instance to a Boolean True, thereby consuming less space and enabling faster operations.

The mulNot method takes the logical inverse of each element of the second DiGraph before doing the multiplication. Because it does this elementally, there is no extra memory consumed by the inverse values.

3.2.6.2 toParVec

The toParVec method of the DiGraph class decomposes a DiGraph instance to its edges.

Syntax

```
[source, dest, weight] = G.toParVec()
```

Description

The toParVec method of the DiGraph class decomposes a DiGraph instance to its edges, returning ParVec instances containing the source vertices, destination vertices, and edge-weights, respectively. Other than the bound DiGraph instance, there are no input parameters.

The toParVec method is almost the converse of the DiGraph method, with the difference that, since the DiGraph method sums duplicate edges, the output of toParVec may have fewer edges, though the same set of vertices.

3.2.6.3 reverseEdges

The reverseEdges method of the DiGraph class reverses the direction of each edge of a DiGraph instance.

Syntax

```
G.reverseEdges()
```

Description

The reverseEdges method of the DiGraph class reverses the direction of each edge of a DiGraph instance. Other than the bound DiGraph instance, there are no input parameters. The method works on the DiGraph instance in place, so destroys its input contents.

3.2.6.4 subgraph

The subgraph method of the DiGraph class creates a new graph from a selected set of vertices of an existing DiGraph object and those vertices' incident edges.

Syntax

```
G2 = G1.subgraph(vertrange[, vertrange2])
```

Description

The subgraph method of the DiGraph class creates a new DiGraph instance by selecting a set of vertices of an existing DiGraph instance and all the edges incident to those vertices. The required

input argument vertrange specifies a range (*i.e.*, a consecutive set of vertex indices) of vertices (and out-edges incident to them) to be used for the new DiGraph instance. The optional input argument vertrange2 specifies another range of vertices (and in-edges incident to them) to be used as the invertices for the new DiGraph instance. If vertrange2 is not specified, vertrange designates both out- and in-vertices.

Example

The code below creates a new DiGraph from the first half of the vertices in G and edges whose source and destination are both one of those vertices.

```
G2 = G.subgraph(kdt.DiGraph.range(G.nvert()/2))
```

The code below creates a new DiGraph with out-vertices of the first half of the vertices in G, invertices equal to the second half of the vertices in G, and edges whose source is in the first set and destination is in the second.

```
nvG = G.nvert()
G3 = G.subgraph(kdt.DiGraph.range(nvG/2), kdt.DiGraph.range(nvG/2,
nvG))
```

```
3.2.6.5 degree / sum / max / min
```

The degree, sum, max, and min methods of the DiGraph class calculate, respectively, the degree (count), sum, maximum, and minimum edge-weight of the edges of each vertex of a DiGraph instance.

Syntax

```
inoutdegs = G.degree([dir=kdt.InOut])
inoutsums = G.sum([dir=kdt.InOut])
inoutmaxs = G.max([dir=kdt.InOut])
inoutmins = G.min([dir=kdt.InOut])
```

Description

The sum, max, and min methods of the DiGraph class calculate, respectively, the sum, maximum, and minimum edge-weights of the edges of each vertex of a DiGraph instance, returning a ParVec object. The optional dir argument specifies whether the operation is performed on InOut (default), In, or Out edges.

Example

The code below calculates the sum of the edge-weights of the out-edges of the vertices of a DiGraph.

```
outmaxs = G.max(kdt.DiGraph.Out)
```

3.2.6.6 scale

The scale method of the DiGraph class multiplies the edge weights of each vertex of a DiGraph instance by the corresponding element of a vector of scale factors.

Syntax

```
G.scale(scaleV[, dir=kdt.Out])
```

Description

The scale method of the DiGraph class multiplies the edge weights of each vertex of a DiGraph instance by the corresponding element of a SpParVec vector of scale factors. The optional dir argument specifies whether the operation is performed on Out (default) or In edges.

Example

The code below normalizes the out-edge weights of each vertex of a DiGraph instance such that the sum of the edge-weights of each vertex is 1.0.

```
scalefac = kdt.ParVec.ones(G.nvert()) / G.sum()
G.scale(scalefac)
```

3.2.6.7 normalizeEdgeWeights

The normalizeEdgeWeights method of the DiGraph class normalizes the out-edge weights of each vertex V of a DiGraph instance such that each out-edge's weight is 1 / out-degree(V).

Syntax

```
G.normalizeEdgeWeights()
```

Description

The normalizeEdgeWeights method of the DiGraph class normalizes the out-edge weights of each vertex V of a DiGraph instance such that each out-edge's weight is 1 / out-degree(V). Besides the DiGraph instance there are no other arguments.

3.2.7 Advanced methods for DiGraph objects

The DiGraph class implements several advanced methods.

3.2.7.1 neighbor

The neighbor method of the DiGraph class calculates the neighbors of a set of starting vertices in a DiGraph instance.

Syntax

```
neighbors = G.neighbor(start[, nhop=1, sym=False])
```

Description

The neighbor method of the DiGraph class calculates, for a ParVec of input starting vertices, which vertices are neighbors; *i.e.*, connected by out-edges. The optional nhop argument determines how many hops from the starting vertices are used to calculate the neighbors; the default is 1. The optional expert argument sym denotes whether the graph is a symmetric graph, which if True enables the operation to run faster. The return value is a ParVec with the indices of neighboring vertices.

Example

If start is a Boolean ParVec of starting vertices, the call below will return all vertices connected via out-bound edges within one hop.

```
neighbors = G.neighbor(start)
```

3.2.7.2 pathsHop

The pathsHop method of the DiGraph class calculates the vertices that can be reached from a set of starting vertices in a DiGraph instance, also returning which of the start vertices has an edge to each new vertex. pathsHop is equivalent to one step in a breadth-first search.

Syntax

```
[fromV, toV] = G.pathsHop(start[, sym=False])
```

Description

For a ParVec of input starting vertices, the pathsHop method calculates which vertices can be reached across a single edge in the DiGraph instance and, for each reachable vertex, which starting vertex has an edge to it. The source vertices and the new vertices are returned in ParVec and Boolean ParVec instances, respectively. The set of reachable vertices may include starting vertices. In the case of more than one start vertex having an edge to a reachable vertex, the highest-numbered vertex is selected. pathsHop can be used repeatedly to implement a breadth-first search. The optional expert argument sym denotes whether the graph is a symmetric graph, which if True enables the operation to run faster.

Example

If start is a Boolean ParVec of starting vertices, the code below finds all reachable vertices with the call, and then selects just the newly found vertices from the set of reachable vertices.

```
[fromV, toV] = G.pathsHop(start)
newV = toV & ~start
```

3.2.8 DiGraph

The DiGraph method creates a directed graph from the edges passed to it.

Syntax

```
G = kdt.DiGraph(source, dest, weight, nVertOut[, nVertIn])
G = kdt.DiGraph()
```

Description

The DiGraph method creates a DiGraph instance. The required input parameters source and dest are ParVec objects created by the program or by generators such as genGraph500Edges. The required input parameter weight can be a ParVec or a scalar. The required input parameter nVertOut is an integer defining the number of vertices that have out edges in the graph. The optional input parameter nVertIn is an integer defining the number of vertices that have in edges in the graph; if all vertices potentially have both in and out edges, nVertIn may be omitted. The output argument is a DiGraph object. The values of any duplicate edges (same source and destination) are summed in the creation of the DiGraph object. The DiGraph method is almost the converse of the toParVec method, with the difference that, since the DiGraph method sums duplicate edges, the output of toParVec may have fewer edges, though the same set of vertices.

The alternate form of calling the DiGraph method with no argument creates a DiGraph instance with an empty underlying graph object. This is useful for certain constructors, like genGraph500Edges, which populate the underlying graph object themselves.

DiGraph implements the functionality of Kernel 1 of the Graph500 benchmark.

Example

The code below creates a star graph with N vertices, with directed edges of weight 1 going only from vertex 0 to all vertices (including vertex 0).

```
source = kdt.ParVec.zeros(N)
dest = kdt.ParVec.range(N)
weight = kdt.ParVec.ones(N)
G = kdt.DiGraph(source, dest, weight, N)
```

3.3 Package and class structure

KDT is structured as shown in Table 1, with some methods omitted for brevity. The complete list of functions can be seen by executing (within IPython)

```
import DiGraph as dg
dir(dg)
dir(kdt.DiGraph)
dir(kdt.ParVec)
dir(kdt.SpParVec)
```

Entity	Name	Elements	Comments
Module	Graph		
Class	ParVec		Distributed parallel vector
		ParVec, [], =, +, -, += , -=, <>, >, findInds,	Methods
		abs, any, all, nnn,	

Class	SpParVec		Distributed parallel sparse vector
		SpParVec, [], =, +, -, += , -=, <>, >, findInds, abs, any, all, nnn,	Methods
Module	DiGraph		
Class	DiGraph		Directed graph
		DiGraph, genGraph500Edges, load, fullyConnected	Constructors
		centrality, cluster	Algorithms
		bfsTree, isBfsTree, neighbors, pathsHop, toParVec, reverseEdges, subgraph	Graph primitives
		load	1/0
		[], nvert, nedge, degree, +, *, ones, set	General-purpose routines
		InOut, In, Out	Constants
Class	ParVec		Inherited from Graph
	SpParVec		Inherited from Graph

Table 1. KDT library hierarchy

3.4 Graph Generators

The DiGraph class includes the graph generators in this section. With v0.1, edges must be created as an ParVec object directly, either by the load method, a constructor such as fullyConnected, or by using an application-specific method like genGraph500Edges.

3.4.1 genGraph500Edges

The genGraph500Edges function creates a graph following the specifications for the V1.1 Graph500 benchmark's input graph [Graph500]. The edges are inserted into the DiGraph object passed and represent an RMAT graph with specific values provided by the benchmark.

Syntax

time = G.genGraph500Edges(scale)

Description

The genGraph500Graph method creates an input graph as defined by the Graph500 benchmark. The required input parameter scale (logarithm base 2 of the number of desired vertices) defines the number of vertices. The edges are directed, though each edge has a twin going in the other direction because the specification requires the graph to be symmetric. Some vertices may have no edges incident to them. The time returned from genGraph500Edges includes the execution time of converting the edge vector to a graph but does not include the time to create the edge vector, which is exactly the time measured by Kernel 1 of the Graph500 benchmark.

The following code will creates a DiGraph instance and inserts edges into it that match the Graph500 specification, of size scale.

```
G = kdt.DiGraph()
time = G.genGraph500Edges(scale)
```

3.4.2 twoDTorus

The twoDTorus method creates a DiGraph object reflecting the connectivity pattern of a 2D torus.

Syntax

```
G = kdt.twoDTorus(nnode)
```

Description

The twoDTorus method creates a DiGraph with the connectivity pattern of a 2D torus; *i.e.*, connections to its north, west, south, and east neighbors, where the neighbor may be wrapped around to the other side of the torus. The required input parameter nnodes defines the number of nodes along one dimension of the torus; the torus and the graph representing it will have nnodes**2 vertices. The newly created DiGraph object is the return value from the method. A 2D torus has an easily analyzed betweenness centrality value that can be useful for simple tests; specifically, each vertex of the DiGraph created by twoDTorus(nnodes) has an identical betweenness centrality value of 0.5 * 2**(3*scale*0.5) – 2**scale + 1 for an even nnodes.

Example

The following code creates a DiGraph instance G with nnodes * * 2 vertices and inserts edges from every vertex to every other vertex, including itself.

```
G = kdt.DiGraph.twoDTorus(nnodes)
```

3.4.3 fullyConnected

The fullyConnected method creates a DiGraph object in which all vertices are directly connected to all other vertices. The edges are inserted into a newly created DiGraph object, which is the return value from the method.

Syntax

```
G = kdt.fullyConnected(nvert)
```

Description

The fullyConnected method creates a DiGraph. with all vertices having a directed edge to all vertices, including itself. The required input parameter nvert defines the number of vertices. The newly created DiGraph object is the return value from the method.

The following code creates a DiGraph instance G with nvert vertices and inserts edges from every vertex to every other vertex, including itself.

```
G = kdt.DiGraph.fullyConnected(nvert)
```

3.5 I/O

The DiGraph class includes the I/O-realted methods in this section.

3.5.1 load: Reading a graph from a file

A Matrix Market file can be loaded directly into a DiGraph object with the standard load I/O operation.

Syntax

```
G = kdt.DiGraph.load(fname)
```

Description

The load method loads a file in the Coordinate Format of the Matrix Market Exchange Formats [MatrixMarket] directly into a DiGraph object.

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The source-vertex / destination-vertex information in the first two columns of the Matrix Market Exchange format is 1-based in the file, and is converted to 0-based in the load. With v0.1, the error-checking of a source-vertex or destination-vertex being out of bounds is not robust and can result in KDT aborting with Segmentation Faults or malloc errors.

Example

The following code will load the contents of the file mymatrix.mtx into a DiGraph instance named G.

```
G = kdt.DiGraph.load('mymatrix.mtx')
```

3.5.2 save: Writing a graph into a file

A DiGraph object can be saved directly into a Matrix Market file with the standard save I/O operation.

Syntax

```
G.save(fname)
```

Description

The save method save a a DiGraph object directly into a file in the Coordinate Format of the Matrix Market Exchange Formats [MatrixMarket].

The following code will save the contents of a DiGraph instance named G into the file mymatrix.mtx.

```
G.save('mymatrix.mtx')
```

3.5.3 UFget: Fetching a file from the University of Florida Sparse Matrix Library and loading it as a DiGraph

The UFget method downloads a named Matrix Market file from the University of Florida Sparse Matrix Library (link) and loads it into a DiGraph instance.

Syntax

```
G.UFget(fname)
```

Description

The UFget method downloads a file from the UF Sparse Matrix Library, untars the contents, and loads the contained file (in the Coordinate Format of the Matrix Market Exchange Formats) directly into a DiGraph instance.

Example

The following code will load the contents of the file Andrianov/ex3stal.tar.gz from the UF Sparse Matrix Library into a DiGraph instance named G.

```
G = kdt.DiGraph.UFget('Andrianov/ex3sta1')
```

3.5.4 master: Avoiding redundant print output

When running in parallel, each process will execute the Python code, including any print statements. For user output, this can lead to numerous copies of the output, often intermingled so as to make the output unintelligible. The master method is useful for avoiding this situation.

Note: Printing of DiGraph, ParVec, or SpParVec instances will, in general, require participation of all the active processes, and thus cannot be done solely on the master, and thus should not be done inside a master check.

Syntax

```
bool = kdt.master()
```

Description

The master method returns a Boolean result that is True in the master process of the underlying infrastructure and False in all other processes.

The following code, taken from the Graph500 method in KDT, restricts printing output just to the master process.

```
if kdt.master():
    print 'Graph500 benchmark run for scale = %2i' % scale
    print 'Kernel 1 time = %8.4f seconds' % K1elapsed
    print 'Kernel 2 time = %8.4f seconds' % K2elapsed
```

3.6 Toolbox Structure

KDT will eventually have multiple implementations, targeting serial and distributed-parallel versions both memory-based and disk-based, as reflected in Table 2 below. The serial versions are intended for program development and solving small problems, while the distributed versions provide unique value. Only the distributed in-memory version (kdtdm) is implemented in v0.1; all other components are shown in grey font.

	Module	Class	Methods	Comments
sm	<not expanded="" he<="" td=""><td>ere, contents supe</td><td>erset of kdtdm></td><td>Serial, in-memory</td></not>	ere, contents supe	erset of kdtdm>	Serial, in-memory
dm				Distributed, in-
				memory
	Graph			
		Graph		General Graph
		ParVec		Vertex vector
			len, degree,	Methods
	DiGraph			
		DiGraph		Directed graph
			central, cluster, indegree,	Methods
	MultiGraph			Future Multigraph
	HyperGraph			Future Hypergraph
sd			Future Serial, on disk	
		Future Distributed, on disk		

Table 2 Diverse KDT implementations and graph types

We anticipate multiple implementations of the KDT interface, adhering to this structure and naming for all functions that a particular implementation supports. The current distributed in-memory functionality of KDT is imported as

```
import DiGraph as dg
```

Anticipated future versions may effect import statements.

3.7 Advanced Usage

KDT v0.1 supports only graphs with a single edge between any two vertices, which doesn't address nearly all graph types. While fully general graphs will have to wait for future releases, v0.1 does support (via built-in Python mechanisms) multiple graphs of different types of data. For instance, one potential KDT use case is to analyze data from protein-protein, DNA-protein, and other interactions. Data about a

particular organism (e.g., Shewanella) could be collected in a single DiGraph instance which has other DiGraph instances as members, as portrayed by the following code.

```
shew = kdt.DiGraph()
shew.prot2prot = kdt.DiGraph.load('shewanella/protein_protein.mtx')
shew.DNA2prot = kdt.DiGraph.load('shewanella/DNA_protein.mtx')
d2p_bc = shew.DNA2prot.centrality('approxBC')
p2p_bc = shew.prot2prot.centrality('approxBC')
d2p_deg = shew.DNA2prot.degree()
p2p_deg = shew.prot2prot.degree()
```

In this example, each graph is still operated on independently, but where graph operations make scientific or mathematical sense, DiGraph graphs can be joined together.

4 Practicalities

4.1 Downloading

[[FIX: include details.]]

4.2 Installation

[[FIX: include details: MPI version, IPython version, (SWIG version?).]]

4.3 Execution (Python/ IPython)

[[FIX: include details: MPI version, IPython version, (SWIG version?).]]

4.3.1 IPython

KDT has been used interactively only with IPython. The command-line and IPython commands to invoke that follow (note the same information appears in section 2).

[[ToDo: double-check path]]

In [1]: import Graph500

Activating auto-logging. Current session state plus future input saved.

Filename : .KDT_log #This output is from the startup of the IPython logstart

```
Mode
                            # mechanism used for the sendFeedback function
               : over
Output logging : False
                            # from Section 1.5
                                   w //
Raw input log : False
                                   w #
Timestamping : False
               : active
                                   w #
State
                           #
Using fully connected graph generator
Graph500 benchmark run for scale = 8
Kernel 1 time = 0.0001 seconds
Kernel 2 time =
                  0.6300 seconds
                       0.0098 seconds for each of 64 starts
Kernel 2 TEPS = 6.6576e + 06
In [2]:
```

4.3.2 Python

KDT has been used in parallel only with the Python language processor, namely Python 2.4.3. The MPI used was OpenMPI 1.2.2. The Linux version was 2.6.18.

For parallel execution with Python and MPI,you can use the following command-line. [ToDo: double-check once directories are moved.]

Appendix A. Implementing Graph Algorithms with the Combinatorial BLAS

The Combinatorial BLAS [Buluc] is described by its authors as:

We describe the Parallel Combinatorial BLAS, which consists of a small but powerful set of linear algebra primitives specifically targeting graph and data mining applications. We provide an extendible library interface and some guiding principles for future development. The library is evaluated using two important graph algorithms, in terms of both performance and ease-ofuse. The scalability and raw performance of the example applications, using the combinatorial BLAS, are unprecedented on distributed memory clusters.

It provides C++ interfaces that are appropriate for many HPC users, but no interface from the high-level productivity languages such as Python and the M language of MATLAB™. KDT provides such an interface via Python, but the current KDT exposes just a small fraction of the power of the Combinatorial BLAS. This section describes the implementation of graph algorithms with the Combinatorial BLAS′ primitives, and describes a few of the Combinatorial BLAS primitives whose full power is not yet exposed. The Combinatorial BLAS′ basic structure is a sparse matrix, which KDT uses with From vertices as rows and To vertices as columns. The Combinatorial BLAS′ C++ interfaces are wrapped into Python as the pyCombBLAS module, with classes pyDenseParVec, pySpParVec, and pySpParMat that correspond directly with KDT's ParVec, SpParVec, and DiGraph classes.

This information is provided so that KDT users can understand the generality of what could be implemented eventually, and so that heroic KDT users can implement their own extensions to KDT by using the pyCombBLAS directly.

A.1 Implementing Breadth-first Search with the Combinatorial BLAS

One of the core algorithms implemented in KDT v0.1 is creating a breadth-first search tree from a graph and a root vertex. The code for this is found in DiGraph.bfsTree.

The abstract BFS algorithm starts with a "fringe" or "frontier" of vertices that has been first reached in the prior step of the algorithm, and in each step calculates all as-yet-unreached vertices that are reachable from the fringe and makes those vertices the new fringe. In sparse-matrix terms, the graph is the dual of the adjacency matrix, with destination vertices corresponding to rows and source vertices corresponding to columns as shown below. A standard sparse-matrix/vector multiplication multiplies corresponding elements of a row of the matrix and the vector and then adds those products. The operation needed for BFS is similar but different. We still want to identify positions where both the matrix and the vector have nonnulls, but instead of a multiplication the result just needs to be the position of the nonnull in the row/column (denoting which fringe vertex is the parent of the new vertex in the BFS tree), and instead of addition of multiple nonnulls in the row/column we just need to select one of them (i.e., if a new vertex is reachable from multiple vertices in the fringe, in general it doesn't matter which one of those vertices is denoted as the parent in the BFS tree). The Combinatorial BLAS and KDT draw on the rich theory of linear algebra on semirings [Gilbert, p. 28-31] to implement this operation. Using the same computational structure and communication pattern but replacing the

multiplication and addition of standard matrix-vector multiplication with selection (of the column of the matrix element) and maximum, BFS achieves the needed computation.

Let's consider the example shown in **Error! Reference source not found.**, with a graph and its dual adjacency matrix, which is transposed to work properly with matrix-vector multiplication.

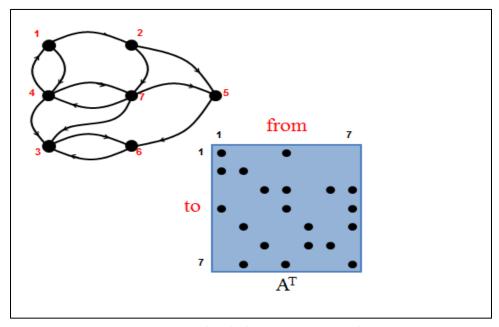


Figure 1. Graph and adjacency matrix example.

Let's make vertex 1 the root of the BFS tree and take the first step of the algorithm in Figure 2Figure 2. The fringe vector has a nonnull only in position 1. Since the "multiplication" of row 2 of the matrix with the fringe vector results in a nonzero in position 1, element 2 of the result matrix is set nonzero, with its value equal to the value of the nonzero in the vector "product". More precisely, the algorithm selects any position with nonzeros in both in the row and the fringe vector, with the result being the value of the fringe vector element (which is previously set to its position in the element). Applying this algorithm, vertices 2 and 4 are calculated as the next level of the BFS tree (with vertex 1 as each's parent), and the red edges are added to the BFS tree. (The algorithm truncates from the new fringe any vertices that have already been visited, as with the self-loop from vertex 1 to itself.)

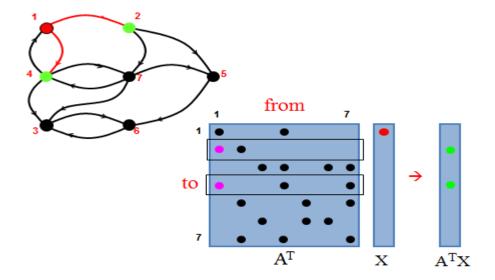


Figure 2. First step of BFS algorithm

For the next step, the result column vector of the previous step is used as the fringe vector for the current step, with each nonnull element set to its position in the fringe. As illustrated in <u>Figure 3-Figure</u> 3, the same algorithm is applied. The calculation of the edge to vertex 7 illustrates the maximum step (in place of the addition in standard matrix-vector multiplication). Vertices 2 and 4 both have edges to vertex 7. The algorithm chooses the maximum-numbered vertex (vertex 4, denoted by the dark circle around the pink dot in the matrix) as the parent. Vertices 3, 5, and 7 are in the new fringe with parents of 4, 2, and 4, respectively. The resulting green edges are added to the BFS tree.

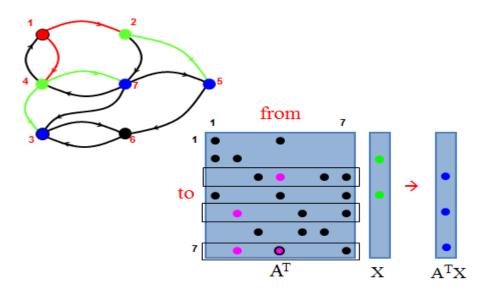


Figure 3. Second step of BFS algorithm.

The next-to-last step of the algorithm for this graph is illustrated in <u>Figure 4</u>Figure 4. The only as-yet-unvisited vertex is vertex 6, which is reachable from either vertex 3 or 5. The tie-breaker (maximum vertex number) determines that vertex 6's parent is vertex 5, and the blue edge is added to the BFS tree.

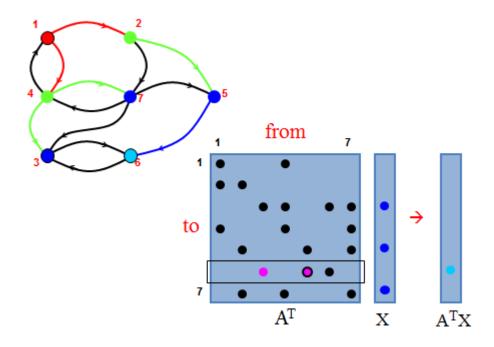


Figure 4. Third step of BFS algorithm.

The final step of the algorithm uses the result vector of the third step, with only vertex 6 in the fringe, and detects no unreached vertices, at which point the algorithm terminates. The parent vector result is [1, 1, 4, 1, 2, 3, 4]; note that the root vertex is its own parent.

A.2 Powerful Operations in the Combinatorial BLAS

The Combinatorial BLAS has several operations which have powerful generality, of which sparse-matrix/vector multiplication on semirings, illustrated in the previous section, is one. The full complement of pyCombBLAS operations is specified in the file pyCombBLAS.i in the kdt/pyCombBLAS directory.

A.2.1 Sparse-matrix/vector multiplication on semirings

As illustrated in the previous section, replacing the element-wise multiplication and summation reduction of the standard sparse-matrix/vector multiplication operation with other semiring operations can perform powerful operations on the graph. The standard operation is available in pyCombBLAS as SpMV_PlusTimes. The operation used for the BFS tree calculation is available as SpMV_SelMax.

[FIX: PlusTimes and SelMax order inconsistency may be fixed.] Eventually this operation will be generalized in the style of the Reduce and Apply operations described below.

A.2.2 Applying an elemental operator

pyCombBLAS has a variety of elemental operations built-in (see the file pyCombBLAS.i for a complete list), both unary (e.g., abs) and binary (e.g., greater, or fmod with a constant). These operations can be applied to each element of a pySpParMat object by the pySpParMat.Apply method.

A.2.3 Applying an elemental operator with a column-specific value

pyCombBLAS can also apply these elemental operations with a second input that is column-specific. The pySpParMat.ColWiseApply method takes a second argument (a pySpParVec instance), which provides the second element for a binary operation. For instance, the DiGraph.scale method, which multiplies each out-/in-edge of a DiGraph by the corresponding element of a SpParVec, is implemented for the in-edge case as

self.spm.ColWiseApply(other.spv, pcb.multiplies())

A.2.4 Reducing the out-edges (rows) of a DiGraph (pySpParMat) with configurable operators

pyCombBLAS has a pySpParMat.Reduce method that is configurable with the same unary and binary operations. The Reduce method, in addition to its bound pySpParMat instance, accepts a dimension (columns or rows), a binary (reduction) function, and a unary function that's applied elementally before the binary function. For example, the row-wise sum of the absolute values of the nonnull elements could be implemented by

```
ret = self.spm.Reduce(pcb.pySpParMat.Row(),pcb.plus(), pcb.abs());
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Appendix B. Glossary

The following terms are used with their given meanings throughout this document.

Graph: A collection of **vertices** and **edges** connecting the vertices.

Edge vector: A vector of tuples, with each tuple containing the indices of the vertices upon which an edge is incident and the weight of the edge. Represented by classes specific to the type of graph, *e.g.* DiEdgeV.

Vertex vector: A vector of integers, each being the index of a vertex being referred to. Represented by the DiEdgeV class generic to all types of graphs.

DiGraph: A collection of vertices and directed edges connecting the vertices.

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Appendix D. Revision History

	I	
R0.01	December 16, 2010	Initial draft
R0.02	December 20, 2010	Revisions including comments from Aydin Buluc
		and Drew Waranis
R0.03	January 22, 2011	Bring current with code base (almost),
		documenting neighbors() and pathHop() as well
		as several other methods.
R0.04-	February 12, 2011	Bring current with code base, documenting
05		SpParVec class, many new ParVec and DiGraph
		methods, adding start-up and Implementing-
		graphs-on-CombBLAS information
R0.06	February 13, 2011	Finish Implementing-graphs-on-CombBLAS, add
		UFget, stipple cluster(), add DiGraph.save
R0.07	February 21, 2011	Add pageRank, toBool. Remove cluster. Fix
		several minor additions/deletions/errors.
R0.08	February 21, 2011	Add normalizeEdgeWeights, change names to
		spOnes/sprang, note that only serial work can
		be done inside a master() if-check.
R0.09	February 28, 2011	Clean up out-/in-edge directions and
		ParVec/SpParVec indexing modes.