Bicreteria path problem minimizing the cost and minimizing the number of labels

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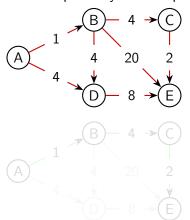
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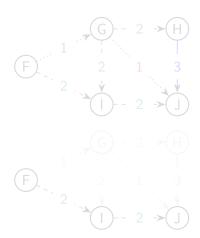
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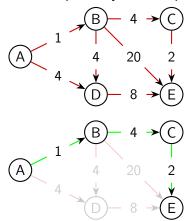
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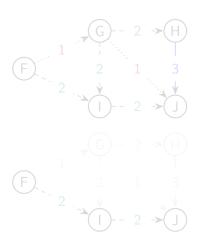




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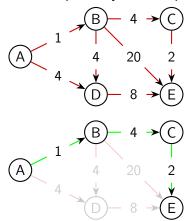
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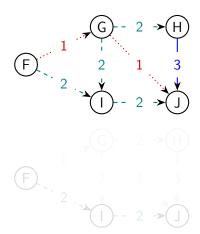




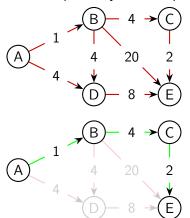


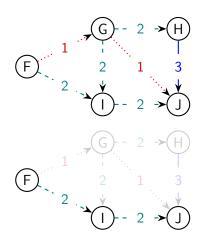
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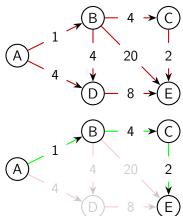
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Complexity 1st subproblem

► Shortest path problem



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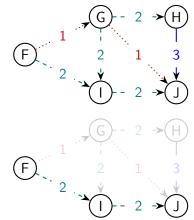
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Complexity of the 2nd subproblem

▶ Path problem minimizing the number of labels used

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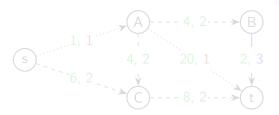
- $I^* = \min_{p \in \mathcal{P}} I(p)$
- NP − hard: I* cannot be calculated in polynomial time [Wirth (2001)]



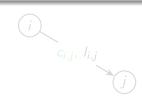


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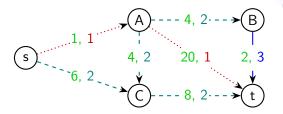
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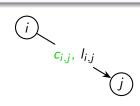
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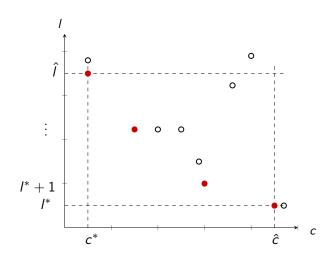
Purpose of the article

Compute a set $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ of efficient paths of minimum cardinality

- ightharpoonup Calculate $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ such that:
 - $\forall (p, p') \in \bar{\mathcal{P}}^2 : p \neq p', p \text{ and } p' \text{ have different images, i.e.}$ $c(p) \neq c(p') \text{ or } l(p) \neq l(p') \text{ ;}$
 - For any non-dominated pair (\bar{c}, \bar{l}) , there exists a path $p \in \bar{P}$ such that $(c(p), l(p)) = (\bar{c}, \bar{l})$



Possible MCLPP images



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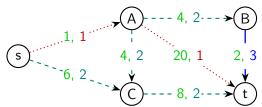
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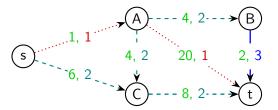


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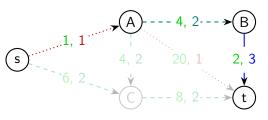
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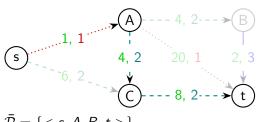
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- ► Step 1: initialization
- ▶ Calculate the shortest path without restriction on labels $\longrightarrow I(p^*) = 3$

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}} = \{ \langle s, A, B, t \rangle \}$$



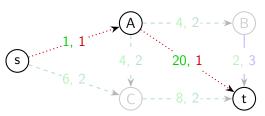


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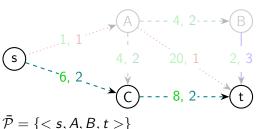
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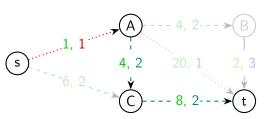
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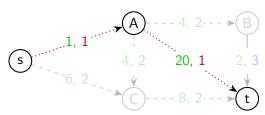
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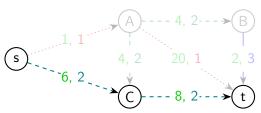




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- Calculate shortest paths with 1 label

labels : $\{1\}$ c(< s, A, t >) = 21



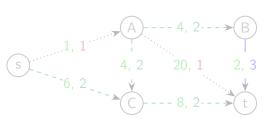
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labels : $\{2\}$
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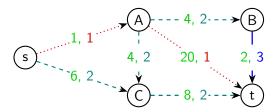


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Finally, the algorithm returns:

$$ar{\mathcal{P}} = \{ < s, A, B, t > \ (3 \ labels), \ < s, A, C, t > \ (2 \ labels), \ < s, C, t > \ (1 \ label) \}$$



Algorithms proposed in the article

Construction of $\bar{\mathcal{P}}$ with 5 algorithms

- ► Enumeration algorithm V1
 - Algorithm V2 which improves V1 by comparing the new shortest paths with those previously calculated
 - Algorithm V3 which further improves V2
- Algorihtm BFS1 with a depth scan
- ▶ Algorithm BFS2 variant of BFS1 with reoptimization of shortest paths

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Enumeration algorithm with upper bounds: Principle

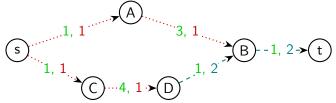
- ▶ V1 + vector $CostUB_k$ of size $1, ..., I(p^*)$;
- At a given iteration, $\forall k = 1, ..., l(p^*)$ $CostUB_k$: cost of the best shortest path having k labels among all previous iterations;
- ▶ If when calculating the shortest path with *k* labels, the intermediate cost at a node *j* included on the path from *s* to *t* is greater than CostUB_k, we stop the calculation.

Enumeration Algorithm with Upper Bounds

V2: iteration with 2 labels

We place ourselves during iteration (step 2) where:

$$\bar{\mathcal{P}} = \{ \langle s, A, B, t \rangle, \quad \text{(2 labels)} \}$$



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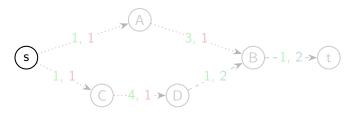
We place ourselves during iteration (step 2) where:

We will now save in $CostUB_2$, 2 because 2 labels, the cost of $\{\langle s, A, B, t \rangle\}$ equals to 5

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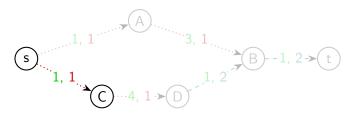


► The algorithm must now calculate the other shortest path with 2 labels knowing that $CostUB_2 = 5$

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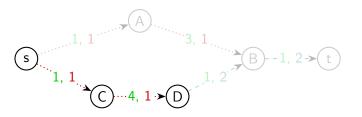


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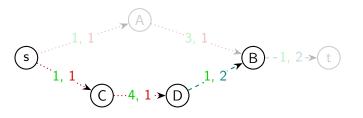


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► Here the labeling algorithm which calculates the shortest path stops because $\pi_D = 5$, cost of the path from s to D is such that $\pi_D + c_{D,B} = 6 > CostUB_2 = 5$.

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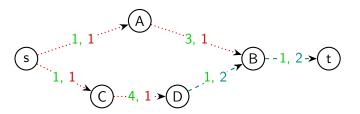
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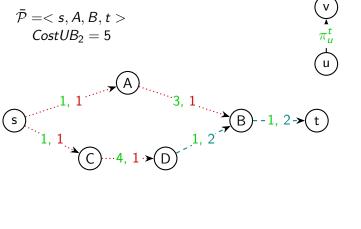
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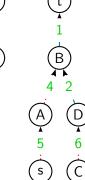
- ▶ for any node v of the graph, calculate the shortest path from v to the well t denoted π_v^t ;
- ▶ Use the cost tree of these shortest paths in addition to *CostUB*.

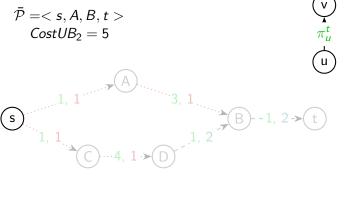
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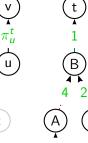


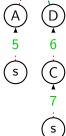
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$$\bar{\mathcal{P}} = \langle s, A, B, t \rangle$$

$$CostUB_2 = 5$$

$$3, 1$$

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- $\pi_s + c_{s,C} + \pi_i^t = 0 + 1 + 6$
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Graphs tested

Random Graphs	Grid Graphs
▶ $n \in \{100, 200, \dots, 1000\}$	▶ $[1; q] \times [1; q]$ ▶ $q \in \{10, 20,, 50\}$ ▶ $n = q^2$
$c \in \{1,2,\ldots,100\}$	$labels \in \{5, 10, 20\}$
▶ $m \in \{5n, 10n, 20n\}$	m = 4(2q-1)(q-1)
source and sink generated randomly	► s (t respectively) node lower left (upper right) corner of the grid

Comparison of algorithm execution times

Random Graphs	Grid Graphs
1st V3	1st V3
2e V2	<mark>2e</mark> V2
3e BFS2	3e V1
4e V1	4e BFS2
5e BFS1	5e BFS1

Perspective

► Add a 3rd cost function which would penalize too many transitions, i.e. change of label between two arcs







Thanks!