

All-Pairs Shortest Paths

Input: Directed graph $G = (V, E)$ with integer edge weights $w(e)$, but no negative weight cycles.

Output: For each u, v ($u \in V$), length of a "shortest" (minimum weight) path from u to v .

- Two natural ways to characterize subproblems: restrict number of edges in path or restrict possible vertices on path. We study the latter (known as Floyd-Warshall's algorithm).
- Step 0: Recursive structure.
 Number vertices $\{1, \dots, n\}$. Consider min weight u - v path P . G contains no negative weight cycle $\Rightarrow P$ is simple (no cycle). Let k = largest intermediate vertex on u - v path (intermediate = other than endpoints; $k = 0$ if $P = (u, v)$).
 Claim: P = shortest u - k path with intermediates in $\{1, \dots, k-1\}$ (P_{uk}) followed by shortest k - v path with intermediates in $\{1, \dots, k-1\}$ (P_{kv}).
 Proof: For a contradiction, suppose P_1 is u - k path with intermediates in $\{1, \dots, k-1\}$ and $\text{weight}(P_1) < \text{weight}(P_{uk})$ -- argument similar for other half of path.
 Either P_1, P_{kv} have no common intermediates, or they do.
 Case 1: If P_1 has no common intermediates with P_{kv} , then $P_1 + P_{kv}$ is simple u - v path with smaller weight than P .
 Case 2: If P_1 shares an intermediate with P_{kv} , say j in $\{1, \dots, k-1\}$, then $P_1 + P_{kv}$ is path with smaller weight than P but cycle: $u \rightarrow j \rightarrow k \rightarrow j \rightarrow v$. Because G contains no negative-weight cycle, $j \rightarrow k \rightarrow j$ has non-negative weight so path $u \rightarrow j \rightarrow v$ has smaller weight than $P_1 + P_{kv} < \text{weight}(P)$.
 Contradiction either way because P is min weight u - v path.
- Step 1: Array definition.
 $A[k, u, v]$ = min weight of u - v paths with intermediates in $\{1, \dots, k\}$, for u, v in $\{1, \dots, n\}$ and k in $\{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ (to restrict to paths with no intermediate nodes when $k = 0$).
- Step 2: Recurrence.
 $A[0, u, u] = 0$ for all u in $\{1, \dots, n\}$
 $A[0, u, v] = w(u, v)$ for all (u, v) in E ; ∞ for all (u, v) not in E
 (Paths with no intermediates = single edges, when they exist; degenerate case when $u = v$.)
 $A[k, u, v] = \min(A[k-1, u, v], A[k-1, u, k] + A[k-1, k, v])$
 for all k, u, v in $\{1, \dots, n\}$
 (Min-weight path either does not use intermediate k , or it does.)
- Step 3: Bottom-up algorithm.

Base cases.

for $u \leftarrow 1, \dots, n$:

 for $v \leftarrow 1, \dots, n$:

 if $u = v$: $A[0, u, v] \leftarrow 0$

 else if (u, v) in E : $A[0, u, v] \leftarrow w(u, v)$

 else: $A[0, u, v] \leftarrow \infty$

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# General case.
for k <- 1,...,n:
  for u <- 1,...,n:
    for v <- 1,...,n:
      if A[k-1,u,k] + A[k-1,k,v] < A[k-1,u,v]:
        A[k,u,v] <- A[k-1,u,k] + A[k-1,k,v]
      else:
        A[k,u,v] <- A[k-1,u,v]

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Runtime? $\Theta(n^3)$

Space? $\Theta(n^3)$

Observation: Space can be reduced.

For all t in $\{1, \dots, n\}$, $A[k, t, k] = A[k-1, t, k]$ and $A[k, k, t] = A[k-1, k, t]$ (because $A[k, k, k] = 0$). So dimension k can be omitted from array

definition: simply overwrite previous values for each k . Careful: loop over k remains -- value of k needed to update array values.

Simplified algorithm:

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# Base cases.
for u <- 1,...,n:
  for v <- 1,...,n:
    if u = v:          A[u,v] <- 0
    else if (u,v) in E: A[u,v] <- w(u,v)
    else:              A[u,v] <- oo
# General case.
for k <- 1,...,n:
  for u <- 1,...,n:
    for v <- 1,...,n:
      if A[u,k] + A[k,v] < A[u,v]:
        A[u,v] <- A[u,k] + A[k,v]

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- Step 4: Optimal answer.

To reconstruct min-weight u - v path, must know largest intermediate vertex used to achieve weight $A[u,v]$. Use second array to remember (could also store a pair of values in each entry of A , and additional indexing to extract relevant members).

Revised algorithm (from previous step):

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# Base cases.
for u <- 1,...,n:
  for v <- 1,...,n:
    if u = v:          A[u,v] <- 0;          B[u,v] <- -1
    else if (u,v) in E: A[u,v] <- w(u,v);    B[u,v] <- 0
    else:              A[u,v] <- oo;         B[u,v] <- -1
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    for v <- 1,...,n:
      if A[u,k] + A[k,v] < A[u,v]:
        A[u,v] <- A[u,k] + A[k,v]
        B[u,v] <- k

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Recursive algorithm to reconstruct path:

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Path(u,v):
  # Assumption: A, B arrays already computed and global.

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if B[u,v] > 0:
    return Path(u,B[u,v]) + Path(B[u,v],v)
else if B[u,v] = 0:
    return [(u,v)] # no intermediate = single edge
else:
    return [] # no path

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Runtime? Theta(n) -- every path contains $\leq n$ nodes, each recursive call adds one more intermediate node, max n recursive calls executed. All this in addition to Theta(n^3) for computing A, B, of course!

- Trace on input with $V = \{1,2,3,4\}$,
E: $w(1,4) = 10$; $w(2,1) = 1$; $w(3,1) = 10$; $w(3,2) = 1$; $w(4,3) = -3$.
For clarity, oo in A and -1 in B left blank.
Notice: for each k, row k and column k unchanged from k-1.

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Path(2,3): B[2,3] = 4 > 0 so
. Paths(2,4): B[2,4] = 1 > 0 so
. Paths(2,1): B[2,1] = 0
  return [(2,1)]
. Paths(1,4): B[1,4] = 0
  return [(1,4)]
return [(2,1), (1,4)]
. Paths(4,3): B[4,3] = 0
return [(2,1), (1,4), (4,3)]

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Transitive Closure

Problem: For directed graph $G = (V, E)$ and every pair of vertices u, v in V , determine whether or not G contains a path from u to v .

We already know many good algorithms for this: run BFS n times; run DFS n times; use shortest-path algorithm with all weights = 1. We explore a different approach that involves a few interesting techniques.

Start with adjacency matrix, with additional 1's along the diagonal (always possible to reach u from u , for every u in V); e.g.:

$A =$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$	Now consider matrix $A^2 =$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
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Let's examine some entries.

- $A^2[2,4] = A[2,1]*A[1,4] + A[2,2]*A[2,4] + A[2,3]*A[3,4] + A[2,4]*A[4,4]$

Q: What does this represent?

A: $A[2,i]*A[i,4] = 1$ if edges $(2,i)$ and $(i,4)$ exist; 0 otherwise

So $A^2[2,4] > 0$ iff there exists a path of length ≤ 2 from 2 to 4

Trick 1: simplify computation: replace multiplication by conjunction (logical \wedge) and addition by disjunction (logical \vee).

For example: $A^2[2,4] =$	$(A[2,1] \wedge A[1,4]) \vee$	$A^2 =$	$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
	$(A[2,2] \wedge A[2,4]) \vee$		
	$(A[2,3] \wedge A[3,4]) \vee$		
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Then $A^2[i,j] = 1$ iff there is some path of length ≤ 2 from i to j .

So $A^n[i,j] = 1$ iff there is some path in G from i to j .

Advantages? Storing boolean matrix more space efficient than storing number matrix; boolean operations faster than arithmetic operations.

Trick 2: Instead of computing A^2, A^3, \dots, A^n one by one, use repeated squaring: compute $A^2, (A^2)^2 = A^4, (A^4)^2 = A^8, \dots$. Reach A^m for $m \geq n$ in only $\log n$ steps. More precisely, this can be done recursively.

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Power(A,n):
    if n = 1:
        return A
    else:
        B = Power(A,floor(n/2))
        if n odd:
            return B x B x A # using boolean "multiplication" above
        else:
            return B x B # using boolean "multiplication" above
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Runtime? At most $\log n$ levels, at most 2 matrix "products" on each level: $\Theta(n^3 \log n)$ -- each boolean matrix product takes time $\Theta(n^3)$.

Trick 3: Divide-and-conquer can be used to speed up matrix multiplication to $O(n^{\log_2 7}) = O(n^{2.8\dots})$. This makes algorithm above take time $O(n^{2.81 \log n})$ -- strictly better than $O(n^3)$.

For Next Week

- * Readings: Section 7.2
- * Self-Test: Exercise 7.10