

# CuWISP

A Massively Parallel Implementation of WISP for Nvidia GPUs

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## 1 Theory

- CuWISP uses a novel variation of Hedetniemi's algorithm to find suboptimal paths.
- A brief overview of Hedetniemi's algorithm is provided below.

### 1.1 Hedetniemi's Algorithm

1. Let  $A$  be the adjacency matrix representation of a non-negative weighted undirected graph  $G$  (Figure 1).

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & i = j \\ w_{ij} & i \neq j \text{ if there is an edge connecting node } i (n_i) \text{ and node } j (n_j). \\ \infty & i \neq j \text{ if there is not an edge connecting } n_i \text{ and } n_j. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

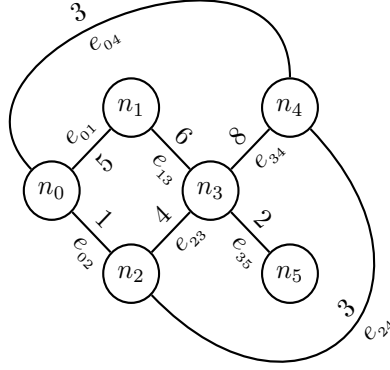
2.  $C^n$  is an all pairs shortest paths matrix for  $G$ .

- Denoted as  $C^n = A \dashv\vdash A$ , where  $A = C^{n-1}$ .
- Each path has at most  $n$  edges.

$$c_{ij}^{(n)} = \min(a_{i0} + a_{0j}, a_{i1} + a_{1j}, a_{i2} + a_{2j}, \dots, a_{im} + a_{mj}),$$

where  $C$  is a  $m \times m$  matrix and  $A = C^{n-1}$  (Figure 2). (2)

3. If the longest (in terms of edges) shortest path has  $n$  edges,  $C^n$  is a "complete" all pairs shortest paths matrix for  $G$ .



$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 5 & 1 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 5 & 0 & \infty & 6 & \infty & \infty \\ 1 & \infty & 0 & 4 & 3 & \infty \\ \infty & 6 & 4 & 0 & 8 & 2 \\ 3 & \infty & 3 & 8 & 0 & \infty \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & 2 & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Figure 1: Graph  $G$  and it's adjacency matrix representation  $A$ . The weight of the edge composed of node  $i$  and node  $j$  is the matrix element  $a_{ij} \in A$ .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{5} & \mathbf{1} & \infty & \mathbf{3} & \infty \\ 5 & 0 & \infty & \mathbf{6} & \infty & \infty \\ 1 & \infty & 0 & \mathbf{4} & 3 & \infty \\ \infty & 6 & 4 & \mathbf{0} & 8 & 2 \\ 3 & \infty & 3 & \mathbf{8} & 0 & \infty \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & \mathbf{2} & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_{03}^{(2)} = \min \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 1 \\ \infty \\ 3 \\ \infty \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \infty \\ 6 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \min \left( \begin{pmatrix} \infty \\ 11 \\ 5 \\ \infty \\ 11 \\ \infty \end{pmatrix} \right) = 5$$

Figure 2: The shortest path from node 0 to node 3 with two or fewer edges has a length of 5.

4. If  $C^n = C^{n-1}$ , the longest shortest path for  $G$  has  $n-1$  edges.
5. Equation (2) is embarrassingly parallel.

- Each of the sums can be computed in parallel.
6. In the worst case,  $C^n$  has to be computed  $m - 1$  times given  $G$  has  $m$  edges.
  7. However, the calculation can be terminated once  $C^n = C^{n-1}$ .
  8. The CUDA version of Hedetniemi's algorithm is roughly  $100\times$  faster than NetworkX's python implementation of Bellman Ford's algorithm.
  9. The single shortest path between  $n_i$  and  $n_j$  ( $SSP_{ij}$ ) can be recovered from  $C^n$  as follows.
    - (a) Define the source node as  $n_i$ .
    - (b) Define the sink node as  $n_j$ .
    - (c) The length of  $SSP_{ij}$  is equal to matrix element  $c_{ij}^{(n)} \in C^n$ .
    - (d)  $n_{k_1}$  is the node in  $SSP_{ij}$  that shares an edge with  $n_j$ , where  $k_1$  is the column and row index of  $A$  and  $C^n$  respectively, that satisfies the condition
 
$$c_{ij}^{(n)} = c_{k_1 j}^{(n)} + a_{ik_1}. \quad (3)$$
    - (e)  $k_1$  is appended to a list ( $L_n$ ) that stores  $SSP_{ij}$ 's node indices.
    - (f)  $a_{ik_1}$  is appended to a list ( $L_w$ ) that stores  $SSP_{ij}$ 's edge weights.
    - (g) The index ( $k_2$ ) of the node in  $SSP_{ij}$  that shares an edge with  $n_{k_1}$  is now computed.
 
$$c_{k_1 j}^{(n)} = c_{k_2 j}^{(n)} + a_{ik_2}. \quad (4)$$
    - (h)  $k_2$  is appended to  $L_n$ .
    - (i)  $a_{ik_2}$  is appended to  $L_w$ .
    - (j) Once  $\|L_w\|_1 = c_{ij}^{(n)1}$ , the procedure is terminated.
    - (k)  $L_n$  is an ordered list of all node indices in  $SSP_{ij}$ .
    - (l) This step can be partially parallelized using a parallel reduction.

## 1.2 Hedetniemi Suboptimal Path Finding (HSPF) Algorithm

1. Hedetniemi's algorithm can be used to find "important" suboptimal paths between a source and sink node in a graph.
2. The user defines the "importance" criteria by setting the maximum number of suboptimal paths ( $sp_{max}$ ) they want the algorithm to find.
3. The HSPF algorithm proceeds as follows.

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<sup>1</sup> $\|L_w\|_1$  is the euclidean 1-norm, or sum of  $L_w$ .

- The single shortest path (ssp) between the source node ( $n_{src}$ ) and sink node ( $n_{sink}$ ) is calculated.
- The edges in the ssp are added to a deque ( $D$ ).
  - The way the edges are added to  $D$  depends on which path finding round is being run.

\* **Round 0:** Edges are appended in order to the end of  $D$  and popped from the end.

$D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c])$   
 $SSP = (E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$   
**append:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h])$   
**pop:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, \cancel{E_h}])$   
 $\longrightarrow E_h = (n_x, n_y) \longrightarrow c_{xy}^{(n)} = \infty, c_{xy}^{(n)} \in C^n$

\* **Round 1:** Edges are appended in order to the middle of  $D$  and popped from the middle.

$D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c])$   
 $SSP = (E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$   
**append:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h, E_b, E_c])$   
**pop:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_d, E_e, \cancel{E_f}, E_g, E_h, E_b, E_c])$   
 $\longrightarrow E_f = (n_x, n_y) \longrightarrow c_{xy}^{(n)} = \infty, c_{xy}^{(n)} \in C^n$

\* **Round 2:** Edges are appended in order to the end of  $D$  and popped from the beginning.

$D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c])$   
 $SSP = (E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$   
**append:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h])$   
**pop:**  $D = \text{deque}(\cancel{[E_a]}, E_b, E_c, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$   
 $\longrightarrow E_a = (n_x, n_y) \longrightarrow c_{xy}^{(n)} = \infty, c_{xy}^{(n)} \in C^n$

\* **Round 3:** Edges are appended in order to the middle of  $D$  and popped from the beginning.

$D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c])$   
 $SSP = (E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$   
**append:**  $D = \text{deque}([E_a, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h, E_b, E_c])$   
**pop:**  $D = \text{deque}(\cancel{[E_a]}, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h, E_b, E_c)$   
 $\longrightarrow E_a = (n_x, n_y) \longrightarrow c_{xy}^{(n)} = \infty, c_{xy}^{(n)} \in C^n$

- \* **Round 4:** Edges are appended in order to the middle of  $D$  and popped from the end.

$D = \mathbf{deque}([E_a, E_b, E_c])$

$SSP = (E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h)$

**append:**  $D = \mathbf{deque}([E_a, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h, E_b, E_c])$

**pop:**  $D = \mathbf{deque}([E_a, E_d, E_e, E_f, E_g, E_h, E_b, \text{ ~~} E_c \text{ } ])~~$

$\longrightarrow E_c = (n_x, n_y) \longrightarrow c_{xy}^{(n)} = \infty, \quad c_{xy}^{(n)} \in C^n$

- The ssp is added to a list that stores suboptimal paths ( $L_{sp}$ ).
  - Each edge is a tuple of it's node indices.
  - An edge is either popped from the beginning, middle, or end of  $D$  based on the path finding round.
  - The matrix element in  $C^n$  that represents the popped edge is set equal to infinity.
  - This edge is now inaccessible.
  - The ssp of the new  $C^n$  matrix is computed.
  - The edges of the new ssp are either appended to middle or end of  $D$  based on the path finding round.
    - If an edge is already in  $D$ , it is not added.
  - This procedure is repeated until  $D$  is either empty or the number of paths found is greater than  $sp_{max}$ .
4. The HSPF algorithm is embarrassingly parallel, as the path finding rounds can be run concurrently with each other.
  5. Multi-GPU compute platforms can increase calculation performance by a factor of  $n$ , where  $n$  is the number of GPUs.