

Algorithm

Main:

1. Choose a new edge $i \rightarrow j$ not already in the graph.
 - a. For edge competition, need to use “check for path” and “calculate $IN(i)/OUT(j)$ ” subroutines (see below).
2. Add the edge.
3. Check if larger SCC has formed.
 - a. If yes, recompute GOUT/GIN/GSCC using BFS.
 - b. Otherwise, update GOUT/GIN/GSCC (see below).
4. Return to 1 and repeat.

Check for path:

Beginning with nodes i, j , check if a path already exists from i to j . Use the following table. Blank in right-most column indicates that a path cannot exist.

	i in GIN	i in GOUT	j in GIN	j in GOUT	
0					Check for path $i \rightarrow j$ using BFS.
1				T	Check for path $i \rightarrow j$ using BFS.
2			T		
3			T	T	
4		T			
5		T		T	Check for path $i \rightarrow j$ using BFS.
6		T	T		
7		T	T	T	
8	T				Using reversed edges, check for path $j \rightarrow i$ using BFS.
9	T			T	Path must exist.
10	T		T		Using reversed edges, check for path $j \rightarrow i$ using BFS.
11	T		T	T	Path must exist.
12	T	T			
13	T	T		T	Path must exist.
14	T	T	T		
15	T	T	T	T	Path must exist.

We choose the direction of the BFS in order to avoid the giant components (which would add a significant number of nodes to explore without adding any new information).

Calculate IN(i)/OUT(j):

Use the following tables:

|IN(i)|

i in GIN	i in GOUT	
		Perform full BFS starting from i using reversed edges.
	T	$ IN(i) = GIN + IN(i) \setminus GIN $ Find $ IN(i) \setminus GIN $ by doing BFS along reverse edges with all nodes in GIN marked as already visited.
T		Perform full BFS starting from i using reversed edges.
T	T	$ IN(i) = GIN $

|OUT(j)|

j in GIN	j in GOUT	
		Perform full BFS starting from j.
	T	Perform full BFS starting from j.
T		$ OUT(j) = GOUT + OUT(j) \setminus GOUT $ Find $ OUT(j) \setminus GOUT $ by doing BFS with all nodes in GOUT marked as already visited.
T	T	$ OUT(j) = GOUT $

Check for new SCC:

Given that edge $i \rightarrow j$ was most recently added, find if a new SCC has formed and calculate its size. We use Tarjan's algorithm with either:

- Begin with j and do a forward BFS.
- Begin with i and do a reverse BFS (BFS using reversed edges).

Since Tarjan only does a single BFS, if $|IN(i)| < |OUT(j)|$, we would want to use the reversed graph to minimize the number of nodes visited. Without explicitly calculating these values we estimate their relative sizes using the membership relations to GIN/GOUT. Refer to the following table:

	i in GIN	i in GOUT	j in GIN	j in GOUT	
0					Forward BFS with OUT(j) (only if i not already path connected to j).

1				T	
2			T		Forward BFS with OUT(j).
3			T	T	
4		T			Backward BFS with IN(i).
5		T		T	Forward BFS with OUT(j) (only if i not already path connected to j).
6		T	T		
7		T	T	T	
8	T				
9	T			T	
10	T		T		Backward BFS with IN(i) (only if i not already path connected to j).
11	T		T	T	
12	T	T			
13	T	T		T	
14	T	T	T		
15	T	T	T	T	

All blank cases mean either a new SCC was not formed or the new SCC is a subset of the old GSCC.

Update GOUT/GIN/GSCC:

Once more, refer to the following table. Note that if we are adding nodes to GOUT, then we perform a BFS with all nodes in GOUT already marked as visited. Blank cases mean no nodes were added to GIN or GOUT.

	i in GIN	i in GOUT	j in GIN	j in GOUT	
0					
1				T	
2			T		Add $IN(i) \setminus GIN$ to GIN.
3			T	T	Add $IN(i) \setminus GIN$ to GIN.
4		T			Add $OUT(j) \setminus GOUT$ to GOUT.
5		T		T	
6		T	T		Add $OUT(j) \setminus GOUT$ to GOUT and any nodes already in GIN add to

					GSCC. Add $IN(i) \setminus GIN$ to GIN and any nodes already in $GOUT$ add to $GSCC$.
7		T	T	T	Add $IN(i) \setminus GIN$ to GIN .
8	T				
9	T			T	
10	T		T		
11	T		T	T	
12	T	T			Add $OUT(j) \setminus GOUT$ to $GOUT$.
13	T	T		T	
14	T	T	T		Add $OUT(j) \setminus GOUT$ to $GOUT$.
15	T	T	T	T	

Comments:

- Runtime tests show algorithm scales as $\sim O(N^{2.0})$ for structure-based selection and $O(N^{1.2})$ for random selection.
 - For 160k nodes, it takes about 30 minutes for structure-based selection and 12 seconds for random selection.