

REPORT

(Computer Networks)

Distance Vectors using Bellman-Ford Algorithm

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A **distance-vector routing protocol** in data Networks determines the best route for data packets based on distance. Distance-vector routing protocols measure the distance by the number of routers a packet has to pass, one router counts as one hop. Some distance-vector protocols also take into account network Latency and other factors that influence traffic on a given route. To determine the best route across a network, routers, on which a distance-vector protocol is implemented, exchange information with one another, usually routing tables plus hop counts for destination networks and possibly other traffic information. Distance-vector routing protocols also require that a router informs its neighbours of network Topology changes periodically.

Distance-vector routing protocols use the Bellman-Ford Algorithm to calculate the best route. Another way of calculating the best route across a network is based on link cost, and is implemented through link-state Routing Protocols.

Work-Around Classes:

Class Buffer used for storing tables and stuff

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class Buffer():
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Network Class to form a network (forming neighbour lists)

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class Network():
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Router Class to initializing a router and DVs

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class Router():
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Threading:

Function takes network, buffer and router as parameter, and run a router as thread.

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def thread_target(network, buffer, r):
    for i in range(4):

        with LOCK:
            print(f"Initiation : {i + 1}")
            r.Show()
            r.initialize_mod()

        DV_2_Neighbour(network, buffer, r)

        # sleep thread for 2 sec
        time.sleep(2)

        # proceed only when all neighbours received
        while buffer.all_neighbours_received(r) == False:
            pass

        get_tables_from_buffer(buffer, r)
```

Threads runs independently.

Below functions execute Bellman-Ford Algorithm and updates Distance Vector Lists.

```
def BellmanFord(router, dv_list):
    num_routers = len(router.dv)

    for i in range(num_routers):

        for x in dv_list:

            for r_dv in router.dv:

                if r_dv[0] == x[0]:
                    val = r_dv[1]

            val = val + x[1][i][1]
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        if val < (router.dv[i][1]):
            router.dv[i][1] = val
            router.modified[i] = 1

def get_tables_from_buffer(buffer, router):
    with LOCK:
        for x in buffer.queue:
            if x[0] == router.name:

                dv_list = []
                values = len(x[1])
                for i in range(values):
                    dv_list.append(x[1].pop(0))

    BellmanFord(router, dv_list)

```

Output:

Run Command -> python dvr.py input.txt

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Router Name - B
Distance Vector -

Dest      Cost
A          5
B          0
C          4
Iteration : 4

Router Name - A
Distance Vector -

Dest      Cost
A          0
B          5
C          9
Iteration : 4

Router Name - C
Distance Vector -

Dest      Cost
A          9
B          4
C          0

```

Image above shows last iteration for each router indicating Destination router and its DV Cost respectively.