Discrete Mathematics Graph theory

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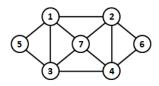
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Introduction

- Many objects in our daily lives can be modeled by graphs
 - Internets, social networks (facebook), transportation networks, biological networks, etc.
- An graph G is a mathematical object consisting two finites sets, G = (V, E)
 - V is the set of vertices
 - E is the set of edges connecting these vertices
- Graphs have many types: directed, undirected, multigraphs, etc.

Definitions

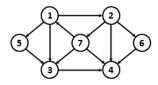
- An undirected graph G = (V, E)
 - $V = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$ is the set of vertices or nodes
 - $E \subseteq V \times V$ is the set of edges (also called undirected edges). E is the set of unordered pair (u, v) such that $u \neq v \in V$
 - $(u, v) \in E$ iff $(v, u) \in E$



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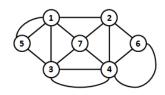
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Multigraphs

- An undirected (directed) multigraph is a graph having multiples edges (arcs), i.e., edges (arcs) having the same endpoints
- Two vertices may be connected by more than one edges (arcs)



Definitions

- Given a graph G = (V, E), for each $(u, v) \in E$, we say u and v are adjacent
- Given an undirected graph G = (V, E)
 - degree of a vertex v is the number of edges connecting it: $deg(v) = \sharp \{(u, v) \mid (u, v) \in E\}$
- Given a directed graph G = V, E)
 - An incoming arc of a vertex is an arc that enters it
 - An outgoing arc of a vertex is an arc that leaves it
 - indegree (outdegree) of a vertex v is the number of its incoming (outgoing) arcs

$$deg^{+}(v) = \sharp \{(v, u) \mid (v, u) \in E\}, deg^{-}(v) = \sharp \{(u, v) \mid (u, v) \in E\}$$



Definitions

Theorem

Given an undirected graph G = (V, E), we have

$$2 \times |E| = \sum_{v \in V} deg(v)$$

Theorem

Given a directed graph G = (V, E), we have

$$\sum_{v \in V} deg^+(v) = \sum_{v \in V} deg^-(v) = |E|$$



Definition - Paths, cycles

- Given a graph G = (V, E), a path from vertex u to vertex v in G is a sequence $\langle u = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k = v \rangle$ in which $(x_i, x_{i+1}) \in E$, $\forall i = 0, 1, \dots, k-1$
 - *u*: starting point (node)
 - v: terminating point
 - k is the length of the path (i.e., number of its edges)
- A cycle is a path such that the starting and terminating nodes are the same
- A path (cycle) is called simple if it contains no repeated edges (arcs)
- A path (cycle) is called elementary if it contains no repeated nodes

Connectivity

- Given an undirected graph G = (V, E). G is called **connected** if for any pair (u, v) $(u, v \in V)$, there exists always a path from u to v in G
- Given a directed graph G = (V, E), G is called
 - weakly connected if the corresponding undirected graph of G (i.e., by removing orientation on its arcs) is connected
 - strongly connected if for any pair (u, v) $(u, v \in V)$, there exists always a path from u to v in G
- Given an undirected graph G = (V, E)
 - an edge e is called **bridge** if removing e from G increases the number of connected components of G
 - a vertex *v* is called **articulation point** if removing it from *G* increases the number of connected components of *G*

Connectivity

Theorem

An undirected connected graph G can be oriented (each edge of G is oriented) to obtain a strongly connected graph iff each edge of G lies on at least one cycle

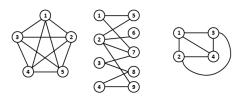
Proof.

Exercise in class



Special graphs

- Complete graphs K_n : undirected graph G = (V, E) in which |V| = n and $E = \{(u, v) \mid u, v \in V\}$
- Bipartie graphs $K_{n,m}$: undirected graph G = (V, E) in which $V = X \cup Y$, $X \cap Y = \emptyset$, |X| = n, |Y| = m, $(u, v) \in E \Rightarrow u \in X \land v \in Y$
- Planar graphs: can be drawn on a plane in such a way that edges intersect only at their common vertices



Planar graphs - Euler Polyhedron Formula

Theorem

Given a connected planar graph having n vertices, m edges. The number of regions divided by G is m - n + 2.

Proof.

By induction on vertices (or edges)



Planar graphs - Kuratowski's theorem

Definition

A **subdivision** of a graph G is a new graph obtained by replacing some edges by paths using new vertices, edges (each edge is replaced by a path)

Theorem

Kuratowski A graph G is planar iff it does not contain a subdivision of $K_{3,3}$ or K_5

Proof.



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Graph representation

- Two standard ways to represent a graph G = (V, E)
 - Adjacency list
 - Appropriate with sparse graphs
 - $Adj[u] = \{v \mid (u, v) \in E\}, \forall u \in V$
 - Adjacency matrix
 - Appropriate with dense graphs
 - $A = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$ such that (suppose $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$)

$$a_{ij} = \left\{ egin{array}{ll} 1 & ext{if } (i,j) \in E, \\ 0 & ext{otherwise} \end{array}
ight.$$

Graph representation

• In some cases, we can use incidence matrix to represent a directed graph G = (V, E)

$$b_{ij} = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -1 & \text{if edge } j \text{ leaves vertex } i, \\ 1 & \text{if edge } j \text{ enters vertex } i, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

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Depth-First Search (DFS)

- The DFS initially explore a selected vertex (called source)
- DFS explores edges out of the most recently discovered vertex v that still has unexplored edges leaving it
- Once all of edges of v have been explored, the search backtrack to explore edges leaving the vertex from which v as discovered
- The process continues until all vertices reachable from the original source have been discovered
- If any undiscovered vertices remain, then DFS selects one of them as new source and start searching from it

Depth-First Search (DFS)

Algorithm 1: DFS-VISIT(G, u)

```
1 t \leftarrow t + 1:
2 u.d \leftarrow t:
3 u.color \leftarrow GRAY:
4 foreach v \in G.Adi[u] do
       if v.color=WHITE then
           v.p \leftarrow u;
           DFS-VISIT(G, v);
8 u.color \leftarrow BLACK;
9 t \leftarrow t + 1:
0 \quad u.f \leftarrow t
```

Depth-First Search (DFS)

Algorithm 2: DFS(G)

```
1 foreach u \in G.V do

2 u.color \leftarrow WHITE;

3 u.p \leftarrow NULL;

4 t \leftarrow 0;

5 foreach u \in G.V do

6 u.color = WHITE then

7 DFS-VISIT(G, u);
```

Breadth-First Search (BFS)

- Given a graph G = (V, E) and a source vertex s, the distance of a vertex v is defined to be the length (number of edges) of the shortest path from s to v
- BFS explores systematically vertices that are reachable from s
 - Explores vertices of distance 1, then
 - Explores vertices of distance 2, then
 - Explores vertices of distance 3, then

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Breadth-First Search (BFS)

Algorithm 3: BFS(G, s)

```
1 s.color \leftarrow GRAY:
2 s.d \leftarrow 0;
3 Q \leftarrow \emptyset;
4 Enqueue(Q, s);
5 while Q \neq \emptyset do
          u \leftarrow \mathsf{Dequeue}(Q);
         foreach v \in G.Adj[u] do
                if v.color = WHITE then
                       v.color \leftarrow \mathsf{GRAY};
                       v.d \leftarrow u.d + 1;
                       v.p \leftarrow u;
                       Enqueue(Q, v);
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```

 $u.color \leftarrow BLACK;$

Breadth-First Search (BFS)

Algorithm 4: BFS(*G*)

```
1 foreach u \in G.V do
        u.color \leftarrow WHITE;
      u.d \leftarrow \infty;
        u.p \leftarrow \text{NULL};
5 foreach \mu \in G.V do
        if u.color=WHITE then
              BFS(G, u);
```

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Compute Connected Components

- Given an undirected graph G = (V, E), we want to compute all connected components of G
- Applying DFS (or BFS) for a given source vertex u will find all vertices of the same connected component of u

Algorithm 5: COMPUTE-CC(G)

```
1 foreach u \in G.V do

2 u.color \leftarrow WHITE;

3 foreach u \in G.V do

4 | if u.color = WHITE then

5 | C \leftarrow \text{new set};

6 | DFS-CC(G, u, C);

7 | output(C);
```

Compute Connected Components

```
Algorithm 6: DFS-CC(G, u, C)

1 Insert(C, u);
2 u.color \leftarrow GRAY;
3 foreach v \in G.Adj[u] do
4 | if v.color=WHITE then
5 | DFS-CC(G, v, C);
```

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Topological sort

- Given a directed acyclic graph (dag) G = (V, E)
- Order the vertices of G such that if (u, v) is an arc of G then u appears before v in the ordering

Topological sort

Algorithm 7: TOPO-SORT(G)

```
1 Compute in-degree d(v) of every vertex v of G;
2 Q \leftarrow \emptyset;
3 foreach v \in G.V do
   if d(v) = 0 then
   Enqueue(Q, v);
6 while Q \neq \emptyset do
     v \leftarrow \mathsf{Dequeue}(\mathsf{Q});
      output(v);
      foreach u \in G.Adj[v] do
          d(u) \leftarrow d(u) - 1;
          if d(u) = 0 then
               Enqueue(Q, u);
```

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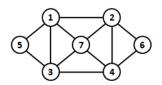
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Euler and Hamilton cycles

Definition

- A simple cycle (path) that visits each edge of an undirected graph G = (V, E) exactly once is called **Eulerian cycle (path)** of G
- Graphs contain Eulerian cycles are called Eulerian graphs

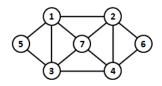


Euler cycle is 1, 5, 3, 1, 7, 3, 4, 7, 2, 4, 6, 2, 1

Euler and Hamilton cycles

Definition

- A simple cycle (path) that visits each node of an undirected graph G = (V, E) exactly once is called **Hamiltonian cycle (path)** of G
- Graphs contain Hamiltonian cycles are called Hamiltonian graphs



Hamilton cycle is 1, 2, 6, 4, 7, 3, 5, 1

Euler and Hamilton cycles

Theorem

An undirected connected graph G = (V, E) is Eulerian iff each vertex of G has even degree

Proof.

By induction on edges



Algorithm for finding Euler cycles

Algorithm 8: EULER-CYCLE(G)

```
1 Stack S \leftarrow \emptyset:
2 Stack CE \leftarrow \emptyset;
3 u \leftarrow select a vertex of G.V;
4 Push(S, u);
5 while S \neq \emptyset do
          x \leftarrow \mathsf{Top}(S):
          if G.Adi[x] \neq \emptyset then
                y \leftarrow \text{select a vertex of } G.Adj[x];
                Push(S, y);
                 Remove (x, y) from G;
          else
                x \leftarrow \text{Pop}(S); Push(CE, x);
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13 while CE \neq \emptyset do
          v \leftarrow \text{Pop}(CE);
          output(v);
```

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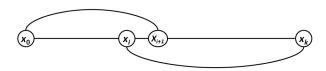
Dirak Theorem

Theorem

(**Dirak 1952**) An undirected graph G = (V, E) in which the degree of each vertex is greater or equal to $\frac{|V|}{2}$ is Hamiltonian

Dirak Theorem - proof

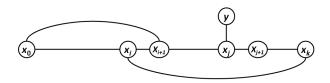
- G is connected, since otherwise the degree of any vertex in the smallest connected component C of G would be at most $|C|-1<\frac{|V|}{2}$ (contradiction)
- Let $P = x_0, x_1, \dots, x_k$ be the longest elementary path of G
- All neighbors of x_0 and x_k lie on P because P cannot be extended to a longer path
- Pigeonhole principle: there exists some vertex x_i ($0 \le i \le k-1$) such that $(x_0, x_{i+1}), (x_i, x_k) \in E$



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Dirak Theorem - proof

- Claim: the cycle $C = x_0 x_{i+1} x_{i+2} \dots x_{k-1} x_k x_i x_{i-1} \dots x_1 x_0$ is Hamilton cycle of G,
- Otherwise
 - Since G is connected, there would be some vertex x_i of C s.t. $(x_i, y) \in E \land y \notin C$
 - Take an elementary path P' containing k edges of C starting at x_i (Chas k+1 edges)
 - Then, we could attach (x_i, y) to P' to obtain a longer path than P(contradiction)

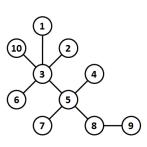


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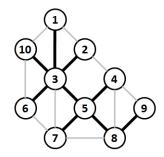
Tree and spanning trees

- A tree is an undirected connected graph containing no cycles
- A spanning tree of an undirected connected graph G = (V, E) is a tree T = (V, F) where $F \subseteq E$



a. Tree

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b. Spanning tree (bold edges)

Trees

Theorem

Given an undirected graph T = (V, E). We have

- If T is a tree then T does not have any cycle and contains |V|-1 edges
- If T does not have any cycle and contains |V|-1 edges then T is connected
- ullet If T is connected and contains |V|-1 edges then each edge of T is a bridge
- If T is connected and each edge is a bridge then for each pair $u, v \in V$, there exists a unique path in T connected them
- If for each pair $u, v \in V$ there exists a unique path in T connected them, then T contains no cycle and a cycle will be created if we add an edge connecting any pair of its nodes

Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

- Given an undirected weighted graph G = (V, E), each edge $e \in E$ is associated with a weight w(e)
- The weight of a spanning tree T is defined to be

$$w(T) = \sum_{e \in E_T} w(e)$$

where E_T is the set of edges of T

• Find a spanning tree of *G* such that the total weights on edges is minimal

Theorem

For any graph G having distinct weights on edges, the MST $\mathcal T$ of G satisfies the following properties

- Cut property: For any cut (X, \overline{X}) of G, \mathcal{T} must contain shortest edges crossing the cut
- Cycle property: Let C be a cycle in G, T does not contain the longest edges in C

Minimum Spanning Tree - Proof of Cut property

Proof.

- Proof by contradiction
- Denote $(x, y) = \operatorname{argMin}_{u \in X \land v \in \overline{X}} \{w(u, v)\}$
- Suppose that \mathcal{T} does not contain (x, y)
- There exists a path \mathcal{P} from x to y in \mathcal{T} because \mathcal{T} is connected
- \mathcal{P} must contain an edge (u, v) such that $u \in X \land v \in \overline{X}$ $(w(u, v) > \epsilon = w(x, y))$
- Denote \mathcal{T}' another spanning tree of G by replacing (u, v) of \mathcal{T} by (x, y)
- Clear $w(\mathcal{T})' < w(\mathcal{T})$ because w(x,y) < w(u,v) (contradiction with the hypothesis that \mathcal{T} is one **MST** of G)



Minimum Spanning Tree - Proof of Cycle property

Proof.

- Proof by contradiction
- Denote $\Delta = \max\{w(e) \mid e \in C\}$
- Suppose that \mathcal{T} contains an edge $(x,y) \in \mathcal{C}$ such that $w(x,y) = \Delta$
- Remove (x, y) from \mathcal{T} , we obtain two connected subtrees \mathcal{T}_1 containing x and \mathcal{T}_2 containing y
- C must contain an edge (u, v) such that u is in \mathcal{T}_1 and v is in \mathcal{T}_2 (w(u, v) < w(x, y))
- Replacing (x, y) of \mathcal{T} by (u, v) yielding a strictly smaller spanning tree than \mathcal{T} (contradiction with the hypothesis that \mathcal{T} is a **MST** of G)



Kruskal algorithm

Algorithm 9: KRUSKAL(G = (V, E))

```
1 C \leftarrow set of edges of G;
2 E_{\tau} \leftarrow \emptyset:
3 V_{\tau} \leftarrow \emptyset:
4 while |V_T| < |V| do
5 (u, v) \leftarrow a shortest edge of C;
6 C \leftarrow C \setminus \{(u,v)\};
7 | if E_T \cup \{(u, v)\} does not introduce any cycle then
8 E_T \leftarrow E_T \cup \{(u,v)\};
9 V_T \leftarrow V_T \cup \{u,v\};
0 return (V_T, E_T);
```

Proof of the correctness of the Kruskal algorithm

Proof by contradiction

- ullet Suppose that the tree T constructed by the KRUSKAL algorithm which is not a $oldsymbol{\mathsf{MST}}$ of the given graph G
- Suppose T^* is a **MST** of G having most edges in common with T
- Denote e_i the edge selected by the KRUSKAL algorithm at step $i, \forall i = 1, \dots, n-1$
- Let e_k be the first edge of T (during the construction) that is not in T^* $(e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_{k-1} \in T^*)$
- Adding e_k to T^* creates a graph G^1 containing a cycle C
- There exists an edge $e' \neq e_k$ of C that is not in T, since otherwise T contains all edges of C and T is thus not a tree
- e_k is in T and not in T^*
- e' is in T^* and not in T



Proof of the correctness of the Kruskal algorithm

Proof by contradiction (continue)

- Case 1: If w(e') < w(e):
 - $e_1, e_2, \ldots, e_{k-1}$ and e' are in T^* . Thus adding e' to the set $\{e_1, \ldots, e_{k-1}\}$ does not create any cycle
 - Hence, the KRUSKAL must select e' instead of e_k at the k^{th} step of the KRUSKAL during the construction of T (contradiction, case 1 does not happen)
- Case 2: $w(e') \ge w(e_k)$:
 - Replacing e' by e_k in T^* creates a new tree T^{**} having $w(T^{**}) \leq w(T^*)$. Clearly T^{**} is a **MST** and has one more edge (i.e., the edge e_k) in common with T than T^* (contradiction)

Prim algorithm

Algorithm 10: PRIM(G = (V, E))

```
1 s \leftarrow select a vertex of V;
2 S \leftarrow V \setminus \{s\};
3 V_T \leftarrow \{s\};
4 E_T \leftarrow \emptyset:
5 foreach v \in V do
          d(v) \leftarrow w(s, v);
     near(v) \leftarrow s;
8 while |V_T| < |V| do
           v \leftarrow \operatorname{argMin}_{u \in S} d(u);
          S \leftarrow S \setminus \{v\};
       V_T \leftarrow V_T \cup \{v\};
           E_T \leftarrow E_T \cup \{(v, near(v))\};
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           foreach u \in S do
                  if d(u) > w(u, v) then
                         d(u) \leftarrow w(u, v);

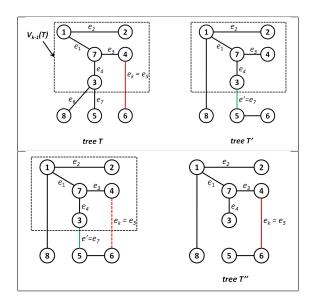
near(u) \leftarrow v;
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17 return (V_T, E_T) ;

Proof of the correctness of the Prim algorithm

- Let T be the spanning tree computed by the Prim algorithm
- Let e_k is the edge selected and $V_k(T)$ be the set of vertices of T computed at the k^{th} iteration
- Suppose $T^{(0)}$ is a MST of G. If $T \neq T^{(0)}$, take the following action A on $T^{(0)}$ for generating $T^{(1)}$:
 - Let $e_k = (u, v)$ be the first edge chosen by Prim algorithm at k^{th} iteration which is not in $T^{(0)}$ ($u \in V_{k-1}(T)$ and $v \notin V_{k-1}(T)$, $e_1, e_2, ..., e_{k-1}$ are in $T^{(0)}$ and e_k is not in $T^{(0)}$)
 - Let P be the path from v to u in $T^{(0)}$ and (e') be the first edge when traversing along P from v to u s.t. one endpoint is in $V_{k-1}(T)$ and the other endpoint is not
 - Clearly $w(e_k) \le w(e')$ by Prim algorithm selection
 - Replacing e' of $T^{(0)}$ by e_k yielding a spanning tree $T^{(1)}$ having weight less than or equal to the weight of $T^{(0)}$. Thus $T^{(1)}$ is also a MST where k edges $e_1, e_2, ..., e_k$ are included in $T^{(1)}$
- We continue the action \mathcal{A} on $T^{(1)}$ if $T \neq T^{(1)}$, etc. The sequence of actions \mathcal{A} finishes when obtaining T. Hence T is also a MST

Proof of the correctness of the Prim algorithm



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Shortest path problem

- Given a graph G = (V, E), each edge e is associated with a weight w(e).
 - **Single-source shortest paths problem** Find the shortest paths from a given source node *s* to all other nodes of *G*
 - All-pairs shortest paths problem Find shortest paths between every pairs of vertices u, v in G

Bellman-Ford algorithms

Graph without negative cycles

```
Algorithm 11: Bellman-Ford(G = (V, E), s)
```

```
1 foreach v \in V do
d(v) \leftarrow w(s, v);
g \mid p(v) \leftarrow s;
4 d(s) \leftarrow 0:
5 foreach k = 1, ..., n - 2 do
       foreach v \in V \setminus \{s\} do
           foreach \mu \in V do
               if d(v) > d(u) + w(u, v) then
             | d(v) \leftarrow d(u) + w(u, v); 
 p(v) \leftarrow u;
```

Shortest path problem on directed acyclic graphs (DAG)

• Given a DAG G = (V, E) and a source node $s \in V$. Find shortest paths from s to all other nodes of G

Algorithm 12: ShortestPathAlgoDAG(G = (V, E), s)

1 $L \leftarrow$ Topological sort vertices of G;

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Dijkstra algorithm

Graph without negative edge weights

Algorithm 13: Dijkstra(G = (V, E), s)

```
1 foreach x \in V do
        d(x) \leftarrow w(s,x);
  pred(x) \leftarrow s;
4 NonFixed \leftarrow V \setminus \{s\}:
5 Fixed \leftarrow \{s\};
6 while NonFixed \neq \emptyset do
         (*get the vertex v of NonFixed such that d(v) is minimal*);
         v \leftarrow \operatorname{argMin}_{u \in NonFixed} d(u);
         NonFixed \leftarrow NonFixed \setminus \{v\};
         Fixed ← Fixed ∪ {v};
         foreach x \in NonFixed do
               if d(x) > d(v) + w(v, x) then
                 d(x) \leftarrow d(v) + w(v, x);
pred(x) \leftarrow v;
```

Proof of the correctness of the Dijkstra algorithm

Proof by induction on |Fixed|

- Invariant: At any step, we have $d(v) = \min_{x \in Fixed} \{d(x) + w(x, v)\}, \forall v \notin Fixed (1)$
- Base case |Fixed| = 1, trivial
- Inductive hypothesis (step k): $|Fixed| \le k$, d(x) is the shortest path distance from s to x, $\forall x \in Fixed$
- At step k + 1, we select a node $v \notin Fixed$ having smallest value of d(v)
 - d(v) = d(x) + w(x, v) with $x \in Fixed$
 - Suppose that P is the shortest path from s to v and z is the first node when traversing from s to v on P that is not in Fixed: $P = s, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, z, \dots, v \text{ where } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in Fixed$
 - At this time, we have $d(z) \leq d(x_k) + w(x_k, z)$ because of invariant (1)
 - $w(P) = d(x_k) + w(x_k, z) + L \ge d(z)$ because L is the weight of a path from z to v on P which is greater or equal to 0
 - If d(v) is not the shorest path distance from s to v, then $d(v) > w(P) \ge d(z)$ (contradiction with the hypothesis that $d(v) = \min_{x \notin Fixed} d(x) \le d(z)$)

All-pairs shortest path - Floyd-Warshall algorithm

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Algorithm 14: Floyd-Warshall(G = (V, E))
1 foreach u \in V do
       foreach v \in V do
\begin{array}{c|c} 3 & d(u,v) \leftarrow w(u,v); \\ \hline p(u,v) \leftarrow u; \end{array}
5 foreach z \in V do
       foreach u \in V do
            foreach v \in V do
                 if d(u, v) > d(u, z) + d(z, v) then
             d(u,v) \leftarrow d(u,z) + d(z,v);
p(u,v) \leftarrow p(z,v);
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Outline

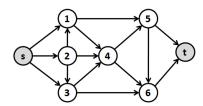
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Maximum Flow problem

Capacitated Networks

- G = (V, E, s, t) where V and E are respectively the set fo vertices and the set of arcs
- Each arc $(u, v) \in E$ is associated with a nonnegative capacity c(u, v)
- A source node s: no incoming arcs
- A sink node t: no outgoing arcs
- $A^{-}(v) = \{u \mid (u, v) \in E\}, \forall v \in V \setminus \{s\}$
- $A^+(v) = \{u \mid (v, u) \in E\}, \forall v \in V \setminus \{t\}$



Network Flow

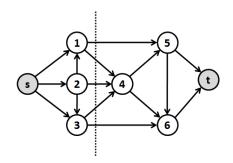
- A **flow** x on G: each arc $(u, v) \in E$ has a flow x(u, v) traversing along it
 - $0 \le x(u, v) \le c(u, v), \forall (u, v) \in E$
 - Flow conservation

$$\sum_{v \in A^{-}(v)} x(v, u) = \sum_{v \in A^{+}(u)} x(u, v), \forall u \in V \setminus \{s, t\}$$

- Flow value $f(x) = \sum_{v \in A^+(s)} x(s,v) = \sum_{v \in A^-(t)} x(v,t)$
- Objective: find a flow x on G such that f(x) is maximal

Maximum Flow problem - Cut

- Given a network G = (V, E, s, t), a s t cut C = (S, T) is a partition of V such that $s \in S \land t \in T$
- Capacity of s-t cut is $C(S,T)=\sum_{(u,v)\in S\times T}c(u,v)$



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Lemma

For any flow x and a s-t cut (S,T) of a network G=(V,E), we have $f(x) \leq C(S,T)$

Proof.

$$f(x) = \sum_{v \in A^{+}(s)} x(s, v) - \sum_{v \in A^{-}(s)} x(v, s) \text{ (by definition)}$$

$$= \sum_{v \in S} (\sum_{w \in A^{+}(v)} x(v, w) - \sum_{u \in A^{-}(v)} x(u, v))$$
(by flow conservation constraint)
$$= \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(v, u) - \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(u, v)$$
(by removing duplicate arcs)
$$\leq \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} c(v, u) = c(S, T) \text{ because}$$

$$\sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(v, u) \leq \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} c(v, u) \text{ and } \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(u, v) \geq 0$$

Residual graph

- Given a network G = (V, E, s, t) and a flow x on G. The residual graph $G_x = (V, E_x)$ is defined as follows:
 - If $(v, w) \in E$ with x(v, w) = 0, then $(v, w) \in E_x$ with weight c(v, w)
 - If $(v, w) \in E$ with x(v, w) = c(v, w), then $(w, v) \in E_x$ with weight x(v, w)
 - If $(v, w) \in E$ with 0 < x(v, w) < c(v, w), then $(v, w) \in E_x$ with weight c(v, w) x(v, w) and $(w, v) \in E_x$ with weight x(v, w)
- If we can find a path $P = s = v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k = t$ on G_x and denote δ the minimum weight of edges on P, then we can construct a flow x' as follows:

$$x'(u,v) = \begin{cases} x(u,v) + \delta, & \text{if } (u,v) \in P \land (u,v) \in E \\ x(u,v) - \delta, & \text{if } (u,v) \in P \land (u,v) \notin E \\ x(u,v), & \text{if } (u,v) \notin P \end{cases}$$

AND we have $f(x') = f(x) + \delta > f(x)$



Maximum Flow prolem

Theorem

Given a network G = (V, E, s, t) and a flow x on G. If we cannot find a path from s to t on the residual graph G_x , then there exists a cut (S, T)such that f(x) = C(S, T)

Maximum Flow prolem

Proof.

- Let S be the set of vertices of V that can be reachable from s on G_x and $T = V \setminus S$
- We claim that for $(v, w) \in E_x$ with $v \in T$ and $w \in V$, we have x(v, w) = 0, since otherwise (x(v, w) > 0), (w, v) must be included in E_x by construction rule of G_x , v can thus be reachable from s (contradiction with the hypothesis that v is in T which is not reachable from s on G_x)
- We have $f(x) = \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(v, u) \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(u, v) = \sum_{v \in S, u \in T} x(v, u)$
- Since $(v, u) \notin E_x$, then x(v, u) = c(v, u) (by construction rule of G_x)
- Hence f(x) = C(S, T)



Ford-Fulkerson algorithm

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Algorithm 15: FordFulkerson(G = (V, E, s, t))
1 foreach (u, v) \in E do
x(u,v) \leftarrow 0;
3 while true do
     G_x is the residual graph of G w.r.t flow x;
 P \leftarrow \mathsf{FindPath}(G_{\mathsf{x}}, s, t);
6 | if P = NULL then
   break;
    x \leftarrow \operatorname{augmentFlow}(P, x, G_x);
9 return x;
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