Parallel Betweenness Centrality Algorithm (ParBC)

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Introduction

With the popularization of Smart Devices and social applications, a huge quantity of vast social network are available



Problem Definition and Dataset

To measure how central is a node...

Betweenness Centrality is formulated:

$$Betweenness(k) = \sum_{i \neq k \neq j} (\frac{\sigma_{i,j}(k)}{\sigma_{i,j}})$$



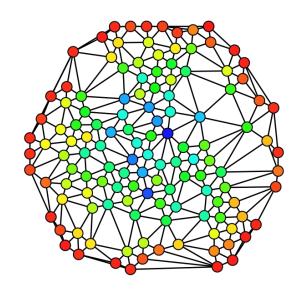
Algorithm Design

Originally proposed:

- 1. Calculate all pairwise shortest path length for all node pairs in G
- 2. Calculate betweenness Centrality. Inspired by Floyd-Warshall algorithm.

New proposed algorithm:

Direct calculations, easily implemented in pure parallel manner



Enhanced algorithm and parallel implementation

$$\sigma_{i,j} = \sum_{w \in pred_i(j)} \sigma_{i,w}$$

$$\delta_s(v) = \sum_{w \in Pred_s(v)} \sum_{t \in V} \delta_{s,t}(v, \{v, w\}) = \sum_{w \in Pred_s(v)} (\frac{\sigma_{s,v}}{\sigma_{s,w}} + \sum_{t \in V, t \neq w} \frac{\sigma_{s,v}}{\sigma_{s,w}} \frac{\sigma_{s,t}(w)}{\sigma_{s,t}}) = \sum_{w \in Pred_s(v)} \frac{\sigma_{s,v}}{\sigma_{s,w}} (1 + \delta_s(w))$$

$$Betweenness(v) = \sum_{s \in V} \delta_s(v)$$

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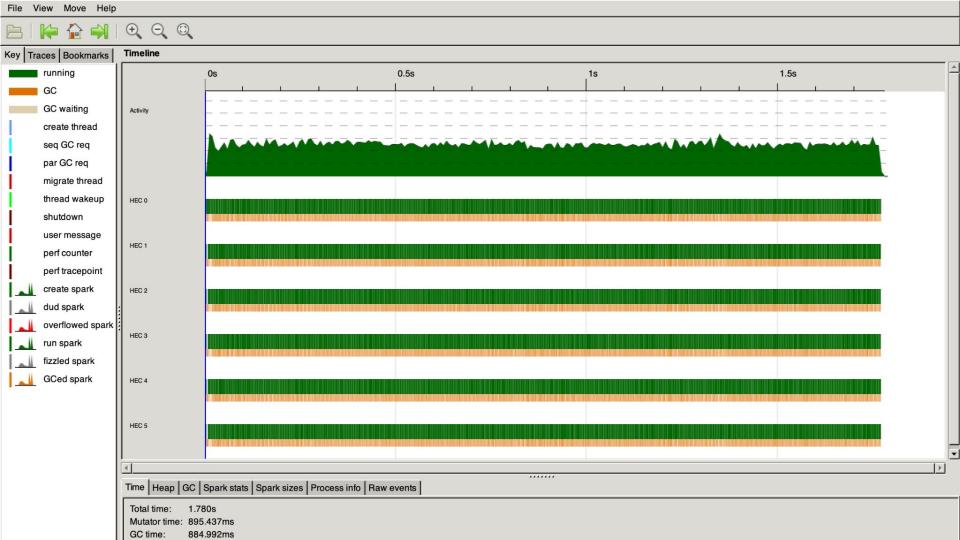
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G \leftarrow \text{the graph}
Betweenness \leftarrow \{n: 0 | \forall n \in G\}
for s in G do
  pred \leftarrow \{n : [\ ] | \forall n \in G\}; dist \leftarrow \{n : -1 | \forall n \in G\}; sigma \leftarrow \{n : 0 | \forall n \in G\}; S \leftarrow [\ ]
  dist[s] = 0; sigma[s] = 1
  queue \leftarrow [s]
   while queue is not empty do
     v = queue.get()
     S.append(v)
     for w in G.neighbours(v) do
        if dist[w] == -1 then
           dist[w] = dist[v] + 1
          queue.put(w)
        end if
        if dist[w] == dist[v] + 1 then
           sigma[w] + = sigma[v]
          pred[w].append(v)
        end if
     end for
     delta \leftarrow \{n : 0 | \forall n \in G\}
     for w in reverse(S) do
        for v in pred[w] do
           delta[v] + = sigma[v]/sigma[w] * (1 + delta[w])
          if w \neq s then
             Betweenness[w] + = delta[w]/2
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Evaluation (correctness)

<10^-13

Evaluation (efficiency)

Table 3: Experiment Results for Simulate1000						
N	time(s)	converted	gc'd	fizzled	total	Speedup
seq	6.012	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2	3.620	1998	1	1	2000	X1.66
3	2.590	1998	1	1	2000	X2.32
4	2.110	1998	1	1	2000	X2.85
5	1.920	1998	1	1	2000	X3.13
6	1.780	1998	1	1	2000	X3.38



Evaluation

Sounds inspiring!

Move to the social network of GitHub



Evaluation and Benchmark

Table 5: Experiment Results for SNAP					
Method	time	Speedup			
seq	44h 43 mins	N/A			
ParBC-N6	18h 38 mins	X2.40			
NetworkX	16h 23 mins	X2.73			



Thank you