Eulerian Path and Clustering coefficient for Graph: Implementation and Evaluation using NetworkX

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Outline

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- The data are JSON referred to region and provinces
- The analysis of the algorithms is based on provinces JSON
- Each province has:
  id,date,name,region,**latitude**,**longitude**,number of infected

Algorithm studied

- First algorithm: Analysis of graph creation using NetworkX with the COVID-19 dataset
- Eulerian path: Algorithm implementation and analysis
- Clustering coefficient: Algorithm implementation and analysis

Test configuration

All the algorithms are tested on a machine with this specs:

- CPU: Intel® Core™ i7-10750H, 12 thread, up to 5.00 GHz
- RAM: 2x8 Gb DDR4 2666 MHz
- OS: Ubuntu 20.04 LTS
- Python 3.7

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- **Sorting**: Sorting list of nodes by longitude or latitude, then for each node check if the previous and following nodes in the list satisfy the euclidean distance conditions, if they don't, stop the algorithm for the analyzed node
- **Cost**: $O(v^2)$ the sorting approach is better than the simple one because only in the worst case costs $\Theta(v^2)$

Results

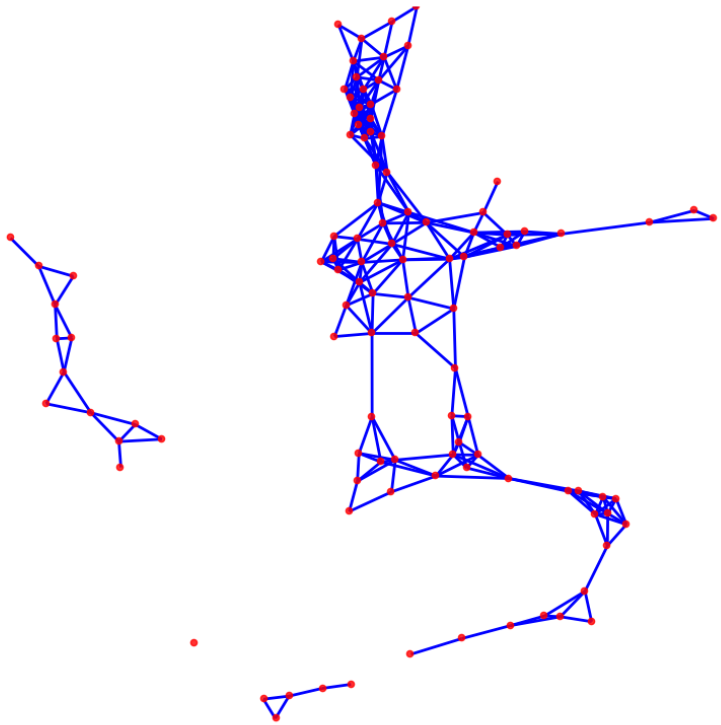
Time of execution on graph creation of Provinces and Random based on 100 test:

	Graph P	Graph R
Simpe algorithm	0.00391119 s	0.81928385 s
Sorting algorithm	0.00021886 s	0.00381270 s

The time analysis confirms the cost analysis of algorithm

Results

- Graph of Provinces **P**: Represents the Italian provinces (nodes) and the edges are the connection between cities



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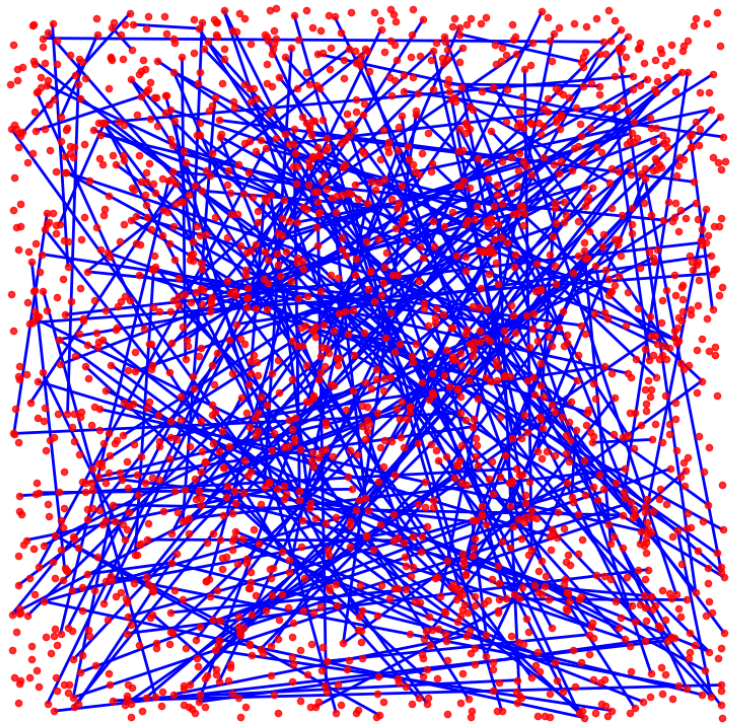
- Random Graph **R**



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Necessary condition for the existence

All vertices in the graph have an even degree, and stated without proof that connected graphs with all vertices of even degree have an Eulerian circuit

Source: Wikipedia

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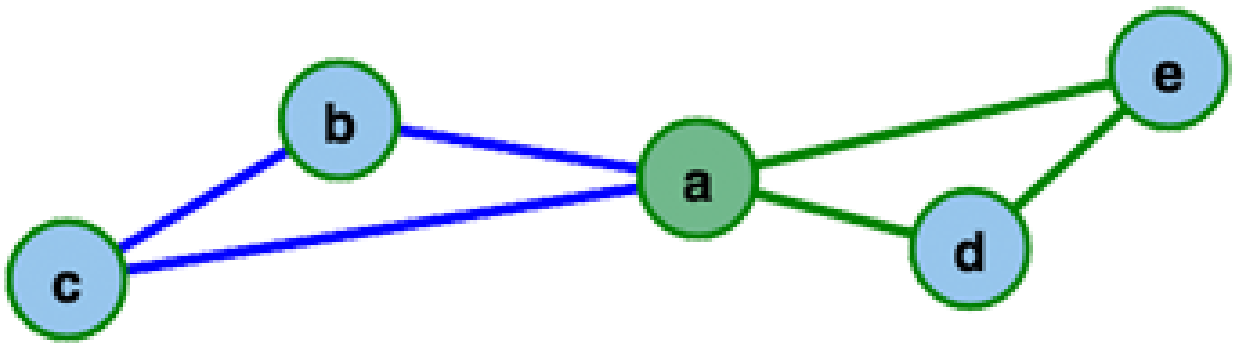
Complexity

$O(|E|)$ can be linear

Toy Example

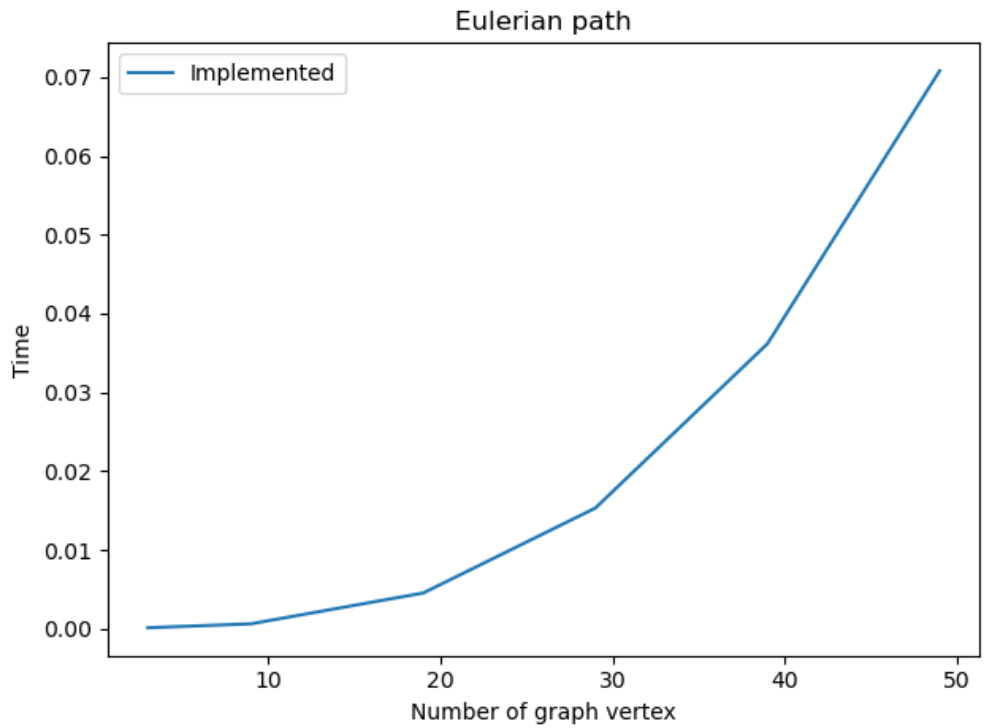
To execute Hierholzer's algorithm it's necessary to have a graph that is Eulerian or Semi-Eulerian (condition on vertex degree)
Hierholzer's algorithm tool



Eulerian path in P and R graphs doesn't exist because the graphs are not completely connected

Test and Results

Several Eulerian graphs of different sizes were generated with NetworkX to analyze the execution time as the number of nodes of the graph changes



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$$C_i = \frac{2|\{e_{jk} : v_j, v_k \in N_i, e_{jk} \in E\}|}{k_i(k_i - 1)}$$

- N_i is the set of neighbors of node v_i
- e_{jk} represents the edge connecting node v_j to node v_k
- k_i is the number of neighbors of v_i

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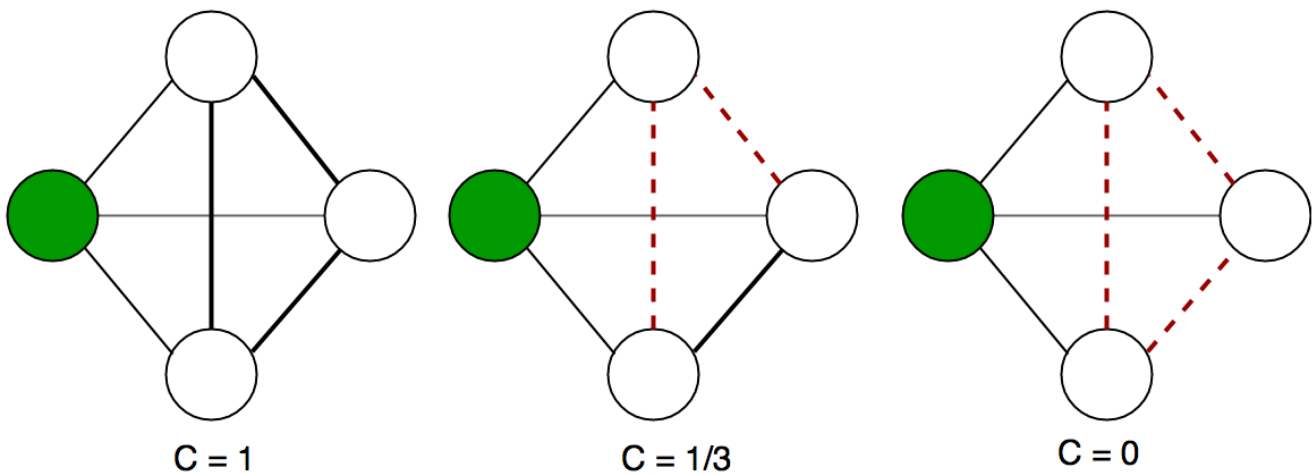
The coefficient of the **green** node is computed as the proportion of connections among its neighbours which are actually realised compared with the number of all possible connections.



Algorithm and complexity

- **Simple**: The coefficient is calculated for each node in the graph by counting the edges of all its neighbours cycling on the neighbours nodes
- **Cost**: Exactly $\Theta(V + E^2)$

- **With list intersection**: To calculate the dimension of the intersection between the neighborhood of v and the neighborhood of each of its neighbours uses the list intersection algorithm saw at lesson
- **Cost**:$O(V + E * C)$, C is the List intersection cost that is $O(|list1| \log |list1| + |list2| \log |list2|)$

Results

The table show the execution time of the two algorithms implemented and the execution time of the library function

	Graph P	Graph R
Simple algorithm	0.0009195804 s	0.0015769004 s
With list intersection	0.0020079612 s	0.0015769004 s
NetworkX	0.0030195713 s	0.0125777721 s

The performances on clustering coefficient algorithms implemented are better than the NetworkX version maybe because the library calculates and returns some objects that requires more calculation time

End

Thanks for the attention