

4.22 NETWORK DELAY TIME USING DIJKSTRA'S ALGORITHM

Question:

You are given a network of n nodes, labeled from 1 to n . You are also given times, a list of travel times as directed edges $\text{times}[i] = (u_i, v_i, w_i)$, where u_i is the source node, v_i is the target node, and w_i is the time it takes for a signal to travel from source to target. We will send a signal from a given node k . Return the minimum time it takes for all the n nodes to receive the signal. If it is impossible for all the n nodes to receive the signal, return -1.

AIM

To compute the minimum time required for a signal to reach all nodes in a directed graph using Dijkstra's algorithm.

ALGORITHM

1. Build an adjacency list graph from the times input.
2. Use a min-heap (priority queue) to always expand the node with the smallest known arrival time.
3. Initialize a dictionary `dist` to store the shortest time to each node.
4. Start from node k with time 0.
5. While the heap is not empty:
 - Pop the node with the smallest time.
 - For each neighbor, calculate the new time.
 - If the new time is better than the current one, update and push to the heap.
6. If all nodes are reached, return the maximum time in `dist`.
7. If any node is unreachable, return -1.

PROGRAM

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import heapq
from collections import defaultdict

def network_delay_time(times, n, k):
    graph = defaultdict(list)
    for u, v, w in times:
        graph[u].append((v, w))
    dist = [float('inf')] * (n + 1)
    dist[k] = 0
    heap = [(0, k)]
    while heap:
        time, node = heapq.heappop(heap)
        for neighbor, wt in graph[node]:
            if time + wt < dist[neighbor]:
                dist[neighbor] = time + wt
                heapq.heappush(heap, (dist[neighbor], neighbor))
    max_time = max(dist[1:])
    return max_time if max_time < float('inf') else -1

n = int(input("Enter number of nodes: "))
m = int(input("Enter number of edges: "))
times = []
for _ in range(m):
    u, v, w = map(int, input("Edge: ").split())
    times.append([u, v, w])
k = int(input("Enter starting node: "))
print("Minimum time for all nodes to receive signal:", network_delay_time(times, n, k))
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Input:

Enter number of nodes: 4

Enter number of edges: 3

Edge: 2 1 1

Edge: 2 3 1

Edge: 3 4 1

Enter starting node: 2

Output:

```
Enter number of nodes: 4
Enter number of edges: 3
Edge: 2 1 1
Edge: 2 3 1
Edge: 3 4 1
Enter starting node: 2
Minimum time for all nodes to receive signal: 2
>>> |
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RESULT:

Thus the program is successfully executed and the output is verified.

PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS:

- Time Complexity: $O(E \log N)$, where E is the number of edges and N is the number of nodes
- Space Complexity: $O(N + E)$, for graph and heap.