

# Kth Clique detection

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**Abstract – An algorithm for counting the K-th clique in an undirected graph with the help of parallel processing has been discussed here.**

## I. INTRODUCTION

A clique is a subset of vertices of an undirected graph  $G$  such that every two distinct vertices in the clique are adjacent; that is, its induced subgraph is complete. Cliques are one of the basic concepts of graph theory and are used in many other mathematical problems and constructions on graphs.

The task of finding whether there is a clique of a given size in a graph (the clique problem) is NP-complete, but despite this hardness result, many algorithms for finding cliques have been studied.

Finding the number of cliques can be solved easily by parallel processing.

## II. APPROACH

### A. Concept

The  $k$ th clique can be found from a  $k-1$ th clique by adding one such node to it that is connected to all the nodes in that  $k-1$ th clique. In unidirectional graph any pair of node connected via an edge is a 2-clique.

Thus  $k$ th clique can be found from 2-cliques.

For each  $k-1$ th clique all the nodes will be iterated testing that whether or not its connected to all the elements in the  $k-1$ th clique, thus finding the  $k$ th clique.

This will be done in parallel for each  $k-1$ th clique.

### B. Finding unique cliques

While finding the  $K$ -th clique it would be required to constantly monitor that the found cliques are unique. For verifying the uniqueness, it may require a time complexity of  $O(k*n^2)$  where  $n$  is the number of cliques.

But instead of doing so the duplicity can be avoided by:

1. Consider all the  $k-1$ th cliques that are found are unique.
2. To construct a  $k$ th clique from a particular  $k-1$ th clique only those nodes with a value greater than the values of all nodes in that  $k-1$ th clique will be considered for testing.

### C. Improvement

Finding the  $k$ -th clique from  $k-1$ th clique will have a complexity of  $O(m)$ . This complexity can be reduced by minimizing number of nodes tested.

To do so let's consider a  $k-1$ -th clique

$a_1 a_2 a_3 \dots a_{k-1}$

We need to find the node " $c$ " such that most of the elements in the clique " $a$ " are connected to  $c$ ,

It can be done by considering only those nodes " $c$ " such that there is another  $k-1$ th clique " $b$ "

$b_1 b_2 b_3 \dots b_{k-1}$  such that

$a_2=b_1, a_3=b_2 \dots a_k=b_{k-1}$  and  $a_1$  is connected to node " $c$ ".

Proof of validity: If " $c$ " node has to be a part of the  $k$ th node  $a_1 a_2 \dots a_k c$  then the sub graph  $a_2 a_3 \dots a_k c$  is connected which makes is a  $k-1$ th clique.

This will reduce the complexity to  $O((M)/N)$  where  $M$  is the number of  $k-1$ th clique and  $N$  is the number of nodes.

## III. EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

While testing on youtube graph data (38.7mb)

K	Result	Execution Time
3	3056386	13608 ms
4	4986965	17516ms
5	7211947	18543ms
6	8443803	18635ms
7	7959704	18924ms

While testing on As-skitter graph data (149.1mb)

K	Result	Execution Time
3	28769868	39717ms
4	148834439	54042ms
5	1183885507	98051ms

## IV. CONCLUSION

The algorithm attains a time complexity of  $O(k*M/N)$  Where  $k$  is clique size,  $M$  is the number of  $k-1$ th cliques and  $N$  is the number of nodes.

The space complexity was found to be  $O(k \cdot M)$  where  $k$  is the clique size and  $M$  is the number of  $k-1$ th cliques.

Since  $M$  can be as large as  $NC(k-1)$ .

where  $nCm$  means number of ways of selecting  $m$  objects out of  $n$  objects.

Time complexity:  $O(k \cdot NC(k-1)/N)$

Space complexity:  $O(k \cdot NC(k-1))$

## V. REFERENCES

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## Appendix:

1. Link of the source code:  
[https://github.com/jayant-ism/hipc/blob/master/new\\_model.cu](https://github.com/jayant-ism/hipc/blob/master/new_model.cu)
2. Required GCC :  
gcc (GCC) 4.8.5 20150623 (Red Hat 4.8.5-28)  
Required NVCC:  
Cuda compilation tools, release 11.4, V11.4.48  
Build cuda\_11.4.r11.4/compiler.30033411\_0  
C++11
3. Instructions:  
For running on clusters install slurm and nvidia hpc toolkit  
For running on jupyter notebook follow the link.  
<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/how-to-run-cuda-c-c-on-jupyter-notebook-in-google-colaboratory/>
4. For compiling use :  
nvcc new\_model.cu -std=c++11
5. For running use  
Find the partition with gpu access using “sinfo”  
Replace the “gpu” with the partition name in the below command to run the compiled file  
srun -partition=“gpu” ./a.out