

Union Find Disjoint Set (UFDS)

- rank(x): height of subtree below node x (exclusive)
- $\forall x$ rank(x) \leq rank($\pi(x)$) with equality iff $x = \pi(x)$
- Any root node of rank(r) = k has $\geq 2^k$ nodes in subtree
- For n nodes, at most $\frac{n}{2^k}$ nodes of rank k
- [Corollary] All nodes have rank $\leq \log n$ \therefore find, union takes $\log n$

Path Compression: A sequence of n make-sets and m unions / find takes $O((n+m)\alpha(m, n))$

Proof for $O((n+m)\log^* n)$ where $\log^*(2^i i) = i$

- Group nodes by rank; consider $[0, 1], [1, 2], \dots, [2^i, 2^{i+1})$
- Largest nonempty interval is $i = \log^* n - 1$
- # of nodes in $(2^i, 2^{i+1}) \leq \frac{n}{2^i}$

Linear Programming (LP)

Definitions:

- Vertex**: x s.t. x is feasible and n of constraints are tight
(n is the dimension of the problem i.e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$)
 - For every subset of n constraints, solve for point of intersection, check for feasibility.
- Unbounded**: Objective value $p^* = \infty$
 - optimal unbounded \Rightarrow dual infeasible and has no vertices
 - Can check for boundedness by using from combinations of constraints
- Feasible**: $p^* < \infty \Rightarrow$ solution in feasible region
 - Primal feasible \Rightarrow dual feasible and lower-bounded
 - Dual feasible \Rightarrow primal upper-bounded

FACTS:

- Feasible region of LP is always convex
- FLP, \exists a solution that is a vertex
- \Rightarrow find all vertices, get optimal value (motivation for Simplex)

Duality

Primal LP	Dual LP
$\max_x C^T x \text{ s.t. } Ax \leq b$ $x \geq 0$	$\min_y b^T y \text{ s.t. } A^T y \geq c$ $y \geq 0$
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Duality Theorems:

- [Weak] objective value of any feasible solution to primal \leq objective value of any feasible solution to dual i.e. $p^* \leq d^*$
 - Solutions of dual upper bounds the primal
 - Solutions of primal lower bounds the dual
- [Strong] If $p^* < \infty$, then $p^* = d^*$
 - if LP has bounded optimum p^* , so does its dual and $p^* = d^*$

Interpretation of y (dual variables):

- Lagrangian multiplier for constraints i.e. weights are importance placed on each constraints
- Think in terms of price per x

Primal LP	Dual LP
$\max_x C_1 x_1 + \dots + C_n x_n$ $a_{11} x_1 + \dots + a_{1n} x_n \leq b_1 \text{ for } i \in I$ $a_{i1} x_1 + \dots + a_{in} x_n = b_i \text{ for } i \in E$ $x_j \geq 0 \text{ for } j \in N$	$\min_y b_1 y_1 + \dots + b_n y_n$ $a_{1j} y_1 + \dots + a_{ij} y_i \geq c_j \text{ for } j \in N$ $a_{ij} y_i + \dots + a_{nj} y_n \leq c_j \text{ for } j \in N$ $y_i \geq 0 \text{ for } i \in I$

Set Cover

Given $\mathcal{U} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ and subsets $S_1, \dots, S_m \subset \mathcal{U}$ s.t. $\bigcup S_i = \mathcal{U}$
find collection of minimal cardinality $\mathcal{I} = \{S_i\}$ s.t. $\bigcup_{i \in \mathcal{I}} S_i = \mathcal{U}$.

Greedy: Repeatedly pick S_i that covers maximum # of uncovered elements.

Theorem: If optimal solution of MIS uses k sets, Greedy uses at most $k \ln n$ sets. Greedy is most efficient approximation.

Key Idea: Let n_t be number of elements not covered after t iterations of greedy. Suffices to show $n_{k \ln n} < 1$
(claim: $n_{t+1} \leq n_t(1 - \frac{1}{k})$).

Max Flow

Algorithm: Start with zero flow

- Repeat: choose viable path from s to t, increase flow along edges as much as possible, change weights of residue graph respectively.

$G_f = (V, E_f)$ is residue graph of $G = (V, E)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} c_{uv} - f_{uv} & (u, v) \in E, f_{uv} < c_{uv} \\ f_{uv} & (u, v) \in E, f_{uv} > 0 \end{cases}$$

Definitions:

- s-t cut: (L, R) s.t. $L \cup R = V, s \in L, t \in R$
- Capacity of (L, R) : $\sum_{u \in L, v \in R} c_{uv} = \text{capacity}(L, R)$

Theorems and Facts:

- [Max Flow Min Cut] Size of maximum flow in a network = min cut
- For any flow f and any cut (L, R) , $f \leq \text{capacity}(L, R)$
- If all capacities $\in \mathbb{Z}$, maximum flow is integral
- Flow of value k from s to t \Rightarrow min cut has capacity $\geq k$
- Flow of value k from s to t \Rightarrow min s-t cut has capacity $\geq k$.

Techniques

- Phantom source, sink, nodes, edges
- Bipartite matching: phantom nodes s, t. Find max flow from s to t. \Rightarrow Matching \Leftrightarrow can send n units of flow
- Hall's Marriage Lemma.

LP Algorithms (Simplex, Ellipsoid, Interior Point)

SIMPLEX(v): # returns optimal vertex
while $\text{obj}(v') > \text{obj}(v)$ and v' neighbour of v :
return $\text{SIMPLEX}(v')$
return v

- Two vertices $\in \mathbb{R}^n$ are adjacent/neighbours if they share n-1 inequalities in common
- Number of neighbours of v in LP with n variables m constraints $\leq (m-n)n$
- $O((mn)^n)$ (worst case exponential time)
- Problems with Simplex and how to resolve them:
 - Starting vertex (can find by Formulating LP)
 - Degeneracy (introduce perturbation)
 - Unboundedness ($p^* \rightarrow \infty$; half and complain)

Ellipsoid and Interior Point method are polynomial time.

Last reports

- DON'T GET STUCK! on the fly fix
- Think DP (including change of states), Greedy, On C, graphs
- Check LPs: don't be tricked by direction of inequalities
- Decompose fully. Don't forget $x_i \geq 0$ constraints.
- Is the problem asking for primal or dual problem?
- Huffman coding: inequality of leaf nodes doesn't matter.

Zero-sum Games

For game matrix $G = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$, expected payoff is $= \sum_{i,j} G_{ij} P[R=i, C=j]$ (R plays i, C plays j)

Theorems and Facts

- Once a player's strategy is fixed, there is a optimal pure strategy for the other player
- [von Neumann] For $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

$$\max_{x \in X} \min_{y \in Y} x^T A y = \min_{y \in Y} \max_{x \in X} x^T A y$$

$$\max_{x \in X} \min_{y \in Y} \sum_{i,j} G_{ij} x_i y_j = \min_{y \in Y} \max_{x \in X} \sum_{i,j} G_{ij} x_i y_j$$

Linear Programs

- Game #1: Row announces her strategy $p = [p_1, p_2]$

$$\max_{p_1, p_2, p_1+p_2=1, p_i \geq 0, p_2 \geq 0} \min(a p_1 + c p_2, b p_1 + d p_2)$$

$$p_1 \geq 0, p_2 \geq 0$$

$$\max_p \min_{q \text{ mixed}} p^T A q = \max_p \min_{q \text{ pure}} p^T A q \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Second player's} \\ \text{optimal strategy} \\ \text{is a pure one} \end{array} \right)$$

- Game #2: Column announces her strategy $q = [q_1, q_2]$

$$\min_{q_1, q_2, q_1+q_2=1, q_i \geq 0, q_2 \geq 0} \max(a q_1 + b q_2, c q_1 + d q_2)$$

$$q_1 \geq 0, q_2 \geq 0$$

$$\min_q \max_{p \text{ mixed}} p^T A q = \min_q \max_{p \text{ pure}} p^T A q$$

NOTE: In $\min_q \max_p p^T A q$ row goes second & has more info

Appendix Part I

All Pairs Shortest Path (APSP) $O(n^3)$

Let $d(i, j, k)$ denote length of shortest $i \rightarrow j$ path where intermediate vertices are in $\{1, \dots, k\}$

- $d(i, j, 0) = w(i, j)$
- $d(i, j, k) = \min(d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1))$

APSP(G):

for $(i, j) \in E: d[i, j, 0] \leftarrow w(i, j)$

for $(i, j) \in E: d[i, j, 0] \leftarrow \infty$

for $k = 1, \dots, n:$

for $i = 1, \dots, n:$

for $j = 1, \dots, n:$

return d

Shortest Path in DAG $O(n + |E|)$

Let $dp[i]$ denote length of shortest $s \rightarrow i$ path

$$dp[v] = \min_{u: (u,v) \in E} \{dp[u] + w(u,v)\}$$

SP-DAG(G, s):

for $u \in V: dp[u] \leftarrow \infty$

$dp[s] \leftarrow 0$

for $v \in G$ in linearized order:

$$dp[v] \leftarrow \min_{u: (u,v) \in E} \{dp[u] + w(u,v)\}$$

return $dp[E]$

HORN SAT

HORN-SAT(X):

for $i, x_i \in \text{False}$

while \exists unsatisfied $(x_i \wedge \dots \wedge x_j)$

$x_i \leftarrow \text{True}$

if every $(x_i \vee \dots \vee x_j)$ satisfied

return (x_1, \dots, x_n)

else return "not satisfiable"

Maximum Independent Set (Tree)

Find S s.t. $u, v \in S, (u, v) \in E$

Let $I(u)$ = size of largest independent

set in subtree rooted at u .

$$I(u) = \max \left\{ 1 + \sum_{w \text{ grandchild}} I(w), \sum_{u \text{ child}} I(u) \right\}$$

Multiplicative Weight Updates

Problems n experts E_1, \dots, E_n . On the t^{th} day, expert E_i incurs loss of $\ell_i^{(t)} \in [0, 1]$. Pick E_j and incur loss $\ell_j^{(t)}$. Want to minimize regret after T days = Total loss - Total loss of best expert on hindsight.

At t^{th} day, probability distribution

$$x^{(t)} = (x_1^{(t)}, x_2^{(t)}, \dots, x_n^{(t)})$$

Loss of algorithm on day $t = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{(t)} \ell_i^{(t)}$

Total loss of algorithm over T days = $\sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{(t)} \ell_i^{(t)}$

$$R_T = \sum_{t=1}^T \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^{(t)} \ell_i^{(t)} - \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{t=1}^T \ell_i^{(t)}$$

\therefore Exists algorithm s.t. $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} R_T = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{R_T}{T} = 0$.

Key Ideas of Proof

Fix ϵ ; $\forall i$ set $w_i^{(0)} = 1$

For each expert, assign weight $w_i^{(t)}$ (weight of expert i on day t)

On day t , $P(\text{pick } i) = x_i^{(t)} = \frac{w_i^{(t)}}{\sum w_i^{(t)}}$

At end of day t , update weights via $w_i^{(t+1)} = w_i^{(t)} (1 - \epsilon \ell_i^{(t)})$

Results:

After T days, regret $R_T \leq \epsilon T + \frac{\ln n}{\epsilon}$. Pick $\epsilon = \sqrt{\frac{\ln n}{T}}$

Average regret $R \in O(\sqrt{\frac{\ln n}{T}})$

variants and Corollaries:

Online algorithm

Constant # of variables per expert (b.A. lower memory)

of steps after runtime of algorithm

ϵ affects calculations of weights

If losses $\in [a, b]$, $R_T \leq (b-a) \left(\epsilon T + \frac{\ln n}{\epsilon} \right)$

Appendix II

Shortest Path problem $O(k|V| + k|E|)$

Given directed $G = (V, E)$, positive or negative edge weights, $s, t \in V$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, output shortest path using at most k edges.

$$dp(v, i) = \min_{u: (u,v) \in E} \{ \min_{j \leq k} \{ dp(u, j-1) + w(u,v) \}, dp(v, i-1) \}$$

SHORTEST-K-PATH(G, s, t, k):

$dist[v, 0] \leftarrow \infty$, $dist[s, 0] \leftarrow 0$

for $i = 1, \dots, k:$

for $v \in V:$

$dist[v, i] \leftarrow \min \{ \min_{u: (u,v) \in E} \{ dist[u, i-1] + w(u,v) \}, dist[v, i-1] \}$

return $dist[t, k]$

Remark: For shortest path, return $dist[t, n-1]$

Edit Distance $O(|s| |t|)$

Edits allowed: insert one character, delete or substitute

$E(i, j)$ = edit distance of $s[1, \dots, i]$, $t[1, \dots, j]$

$$E(i, j) = \min \{ 1 + E(i-1, j), 1 + E(i, j-1), E(i-1, j-1) + diff(i, j) \}$$

EDIT-DISTANCE(s, t):

for $i = 0, \dots, m$: $E[i, 0] \leftarrow i$

for $j = 0, \dots, n$: $E[0, j] \leftarrow j$

for $i = 1, \dots, m$:

for $j = 1, \dots, n$:

$E[i, j] \leftarrow \min \{ E[i-1, j] + 1, E[i, j-1] + 1, E[i-1, j-1] + diff(i, j) \}$

return $E[m, n]$.