

Question 1 (20%): Cycle Detection

a) by exploring the graph to remove one cycle at a time as well as the vertices on that cycle, with base case of three vertices each of them have two neighbors, this can form a cycle and then deleted so no vertex left

assuming there are n vertices already form some cycles with each of them is even degree

if now there exist one vertex left and this vertex also obey the property of even degree

then this vertex either be a vertex in some paths since it provide a condition of at least one in degree and one corresponding out degree, hence with the assumption it must inside some cycles

formed by n vertices or this vertex would be a starting and ending vertex of a path which is a cycle

therefore it is true that by exploring the graph to remove one cycle at a time there

will be no cycle left so all vertex must inside some cycles

Question 2 (20%): All Pairs Shortest Paths

since this is a undirected same weight graph

we can use BFS to get the shortest distance to each other vertex from a particular vertex by running BFS for each vertex, each vertex take time $O(V + E)$

as there are V vertices, so the total time would be $O(V^2 + VE)$

since maximum E for undirected graph is $V(V - 1)/2$ then $O(VE) = O(V^3) > O(V^2)$

so we can simplify to $O(V^2 + VE) = O(VE)$

code implementation:

let D be a set storing all pair of vertices shortest path

function $BFS(s)$

 for each vertex $u \in V - \{s\}$.

$u.color \leftarrow white$, $D(s, u) \leftarrow \infty$

$s.color \leftarrow gray$

$D(s, s) \leftarrow 0$

 initialize an empty queue Q

 enqueue s in Q

 while Q not empty

$p \leftarrow dequeue\ Q$

 for v in $adj[p]$

 if v is white

$v.color = gray$

$D(s, v) = D(s, p) + 1$

 enqueue v in Q

for each $u \in V$

$BFS(u)$

after running BFS for each node, we can retrieve the all pairs shortest path in D

Question 3 (30%): Currency Exchange

converting this problem into a finding negative cycle

we could use bellman – ford algorithm to find a shortest path

in this case each currency is vertex and the exchange rate is edge with weight

but edge weight use in algorithm is a bit different from exchange weight

so need to convert it by using the logarithmic property

code implementation:

first by choosing a start vertex s from anyone currency

Let D be a array storing shortest path from s to other currencies x_i

Let W be a n by n matrix storing the weight of each edge

transferring each rate pair (x_i, x_j) in M to W

for each pair (x_i, x_j)

$$W(x_i, x_j) = -\log(M(x_i, x_j))$$

and now have the condition of negative cycle

for loop $n - 1$ times #check shortest path with at most $n - 1$ vertices

for each pair (x_i, x_j) #do relaxation on each pair

$$\text{if } D(s, x_i) + W(x_i, x_j) < D(s, x_j)$$

$$D(s, x_j) = D(s, x_i) + W(x_i, x_j)$$

now D storing the shortest path of every vertices from s

by doing relaxation one more time we can know whether there is a negative cycle exist

for each pair (x_i, x_j)

$$\text{if } D(s, x_i) + W(x_i, x_j) < D(s, x_j)$$

return true

return false

by checking the negative cycle we can easily know if there exist a path of currencies can make profit after exchanging currencies a cycle

Question 4 (30%): Maximum Flow

by dividing the problem into a 2×2 matrix with entry $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22}$

it is easy to observe that with matrix A property

$$a_{11} + a_{21} = b_{11}, a_{11} + a_{12} = b_{12} \text{ and } a_{21} + a_{22} = b_{21} \text{ and } a_{12} + a_{22} = b_{22}$$

and these b s are non negative integers

now constructing the matrix B from A by modifying $a_{11}, a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{22}$

let numbers $s_{11}, s_{12}, s_{21}, s_{22} \in [0, 1)$

defining each s_{ij} is use to compensate the decimal places from a_{ij} of being an integer

so $a_{ij} + s_{ij} \in$ non negative integers

by maintaining the same sum b_{ij} we like to use $a_{11} + s_{11} + a_{21} - s_{11} = b_{11}$

it is easily can see that since integers are closed under addition operation

so $a_{21} - s_{11}$ is also an non negative integer

this can be also apply in column and the diagonal entry can remain the same by adding s_{11}

and is a integer by the property illustrated above

then now in the general form of n by m matrix

this can divide into row $[a_1 \text{ to } a_m]$, column $[a_1 \text{ to } a_n]$ and a sub matrix $n - 1, m - 1$

so can be recursively divided to base case of 2×2 matrix

each time known that there exist a number $s \in [0, 1)$ so that

$$a_1 + s + \text{sum}([a_2 \text{ to } a_n]) - s = \text{sum}([a_1 \text{ to } a_n])$$

such that $\text{sum}([a_2 \text{ to } a_n]) - s$ is an integer and continuing

$a_2 + a_3 \dots + a_n - s + s_2$ for making a_2 to be an integer

$a_2 + s_2 - s + \text{sum}([a_3 \text{ to } a_n]) - s_2 = \text{sum}([a_2 \text{ to } a_n])$ is also an integer by the property proved above

then column can be apply the same method

such that all the entries in n by m matrix A can be changed to integers and making the same sum in every rows and column

therefore the matrix B must exist