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Project 1 A basic network design model

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Introduction

In this project, a basic network design model is implemented. Given the unit cost of creating a link between pair of nodes and demand values between each pair, this network model calculates the optimum cost of the network satisfying the traffic demands of pair of nodes in the graph. The output of this design model is a minimum cost network topology with assigned capacities.

Problem Description

Consider the following network design problem. Given N nodes and a demand of transporting data from node i to node j (i,j = 1,...,N, i 6= j) at a speed of b_{ij} Mbit/s.

We can build links between any pair of nodes. The cost for unit capacity (=1 Mbit/s) on a link from node i to j is a_{ij} . Higher capacity costs proportionally more, lower capacity costs proportionally less.

Set $a_{ii} = 0$, $b_{ii} = 0$ for all i so we do not have to take care of the case when i = j in the formulas.

The goal is to design which links will be built and with how much capacity, so that the given demand can be satisfied and the overall cost is minimum.

Hence, following are the inputs:

(1) A complete, bidirectional graph G

(Assumption: None of the edges should be excluded in advance)

(2) Unit cost matrix

- > a_{ii} is the unit cost of creating a link with unit bandwidth between node i and node j
- Cost of a link is linearly proportional to the bandwidth of the link. Hence, if we create a link with 5 Mbps, it will cost 5 times the unit cost of that link
- > a_{ii} is not equal to a_{ii}
- \rightarrow $a_{ii} = 0$

(3) Traffic demand Matrix

- b_{ii} is the demand of transporting data from node i to node j
- > b_{ii} = 0 means there is no demand of transporting data from node I to node j
- \rightarrow $b_{ii} = 0$

Output is a network topology represented by directed graph with capacities assigned to every link. Output will be a minimum cost network with capacities assigned to the edges thereby satisfying a given demand.

Note that the links carrying no traffic will not be built in the final optimum network graph.

Solution

Observe that the cheapest way of sending b_{ij} amount of flow from node k to l is to send it all along a path for which the sum of the link costs is minimum. If this path consists of nodes $k = i_1, i_2, ..., i_{r-1}, i_r = l$, then the resulting piece of cost is

$$b_{kl}(ai_1,i_2+...+ai_{r-1},i_r)$$

Due to the linear nature of the model, these costs simply sum up, independently of each other. This suggests the following simple algorithm:

Algorithm

- Find a minimum cost path between each pair k,l of nodes, with edge weights a_{ij} . This can be done by any standard shortest path algorithm that you met in earlier courses. We use <u>Dijkstra's algorithm</u> in the implementation.
- Set the capacity of link (i,j) to the sum of those b_{kl} values for which (i,j) is on the min cost path found for k,l.
- The optimum cost can be expressed explicitly. Let E_{kl} be the set of edges that are on the min cost $k \rightarrow l$ path. Then, according to the above, the optimal cost is:

$$Z_{opt} = \sum_{k,l} \left(b_{kl} \sum_{(i,j) \in E_{kl}} a_{ij} \right)$$

Implementation Details

Technologies used:

Programming Language	Java
Operating System	Windows 10
Development Environment	Eclipse Neon
Graph Visualization	Gephi

Implementation Details:

The project consists of following packages and classes.

Package	com.ankita.atn.dijkstra
classes	Node.java
	Graph.java
	List.java
	CompareNodes.java

Package	com.ankita.atn.calculatecost
classes	CalculateOptimumCost.java
	Network Design Parameters. java

- ➤ The package com.ankita.atn.dijkstra contains the implementation of Dijkstra's algorithm to calculate the shortest path.
- ➤ The package com.ankita.atn.calculatecost contains the implementation of a simple network design.
 - ✓ NetworkDesignParameters.java is the class that calculates the cost matrix, traffic demand matrix based on the instructions given in the project description document.
 - ✓ Let the number of nodes be N = 20 in each example.
 - ✓ For each example, generate the a_{ij} , b_{ij} values according to the rules described below. In these rules k is a parameter that will change in the experiments.
 - ✓ For generating the b_{ij} values, take your 10-digit student ID, and repeat it 2 times, to obtain a 20-digit number. For example, if the ID is 0123456789, then after repetition it becomes 01234567890123456789. Let $d_1, d_2, ..., d_{20}$ denote the digits in this 20-digit number. Then the value of b_{ij} is computed by the formula $b_{ij} = |d_i d_j|$.

- \checkmark For example, using the above sample ID, the value of $b_{3,7}$ will be $b_{3,7} = |d_3 d_7| = |2 6| = 4$.
- ✓ For generating the a_{ij} values, do the following. For any given i, pick k random indices $j_1, j_2, ..., j_k$, all different from each other and from i. Then set

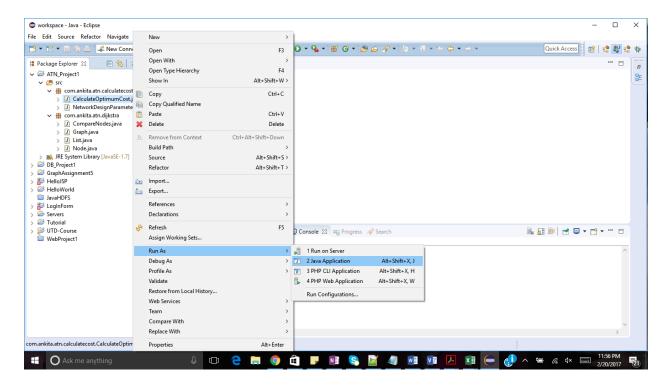
$$aij1 = aij2 = ... = aijk = 1,$$

and set a_{ij} = 200, whenever j 6= j_1 ,..., j_k .

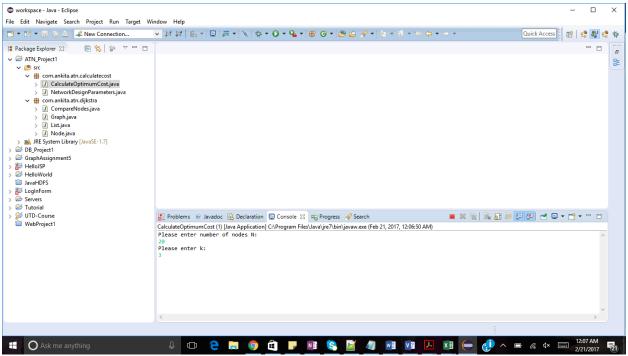
- ✓ Carry out this independently for every *i*.
 - *Remark:* The effect of this is that for every node i there will be k low cost links going out of the node, the others will have large cost. The shortest path algorithm will try to avoid the high cost links, so it effectively means that we limit the number of links that go out of the node, thus limiting the network density.
- ✓ Run your program with k = 3,4,5...,13. For each run generate new random a_{ij},b_{ij} parameters independently.
- ➤ CalculateOptimumCost.java is the driver class which accepts the number of nodes and value of k from the user and as an output it gives a network topology with assigned capacities. Since the parameter k will be chosen randomly, that is, k random outgoing edges for a particular source will be chosen. The program also calculates the optimum cost of the network and the network density.

Instructions on how to run a program

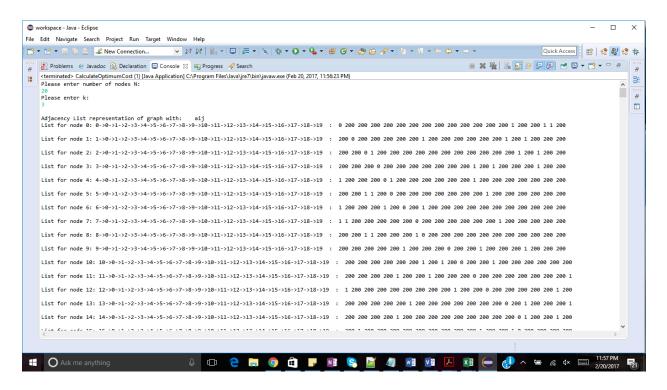
(1) Run CalculateOptimumCost.java of the package com.ankita.atn.calculatecost

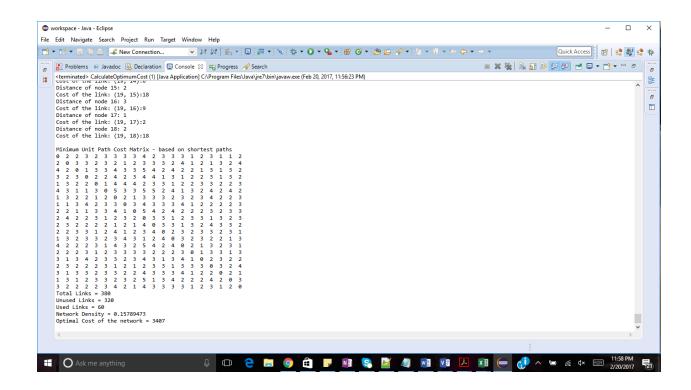


(2) Enter the number of nodes and value of k

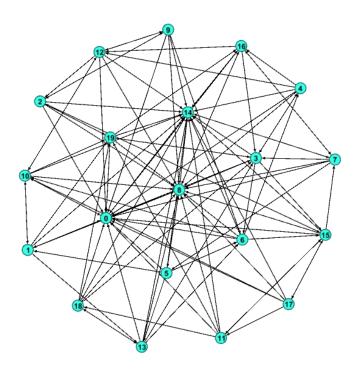


(3) Sample Output

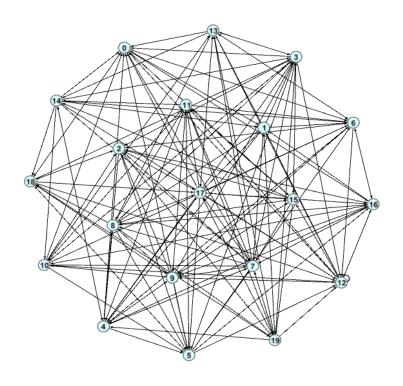




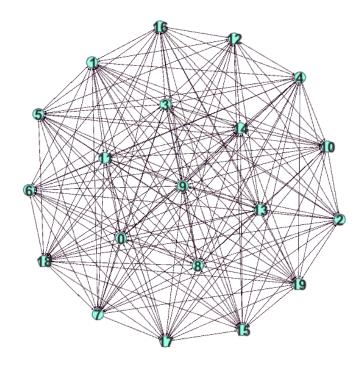
Graphical Representation of a network topology



k	3
Total links	380
Unused links	266
Used Links	114
Network Density	0.3
Optimum cost	33632



k	8
Total links	380
Unused links	220
Used Links	160
Network Density	0.421
Optimum cost	2073



k	13
Total links	380
Unused links	120
Used Links	260
Network Density	0.684
Optimum cost	1743

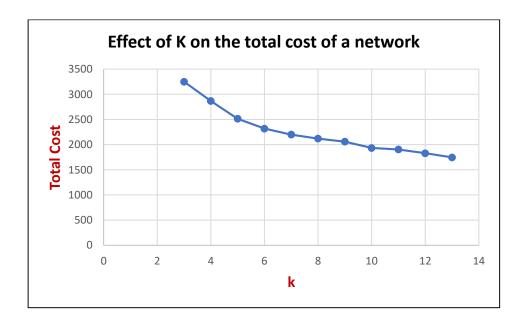
Observations and Analysis

Number of nodes (N)	No of outgoing links (K)	Total Links [N * (N - 1)]	Unused Links	Used Links (Directed Edges)	Network Density	Optimum cost of a network
20	3	380	320	60	0.15789473	3250
20	4	380	300	80	0.21052632	2867
20	5	380	280	100	0.2631579	2514
20	6	380	260	120	0.31578946	2318
20	7	380	240	140	0.36842105	2200
20	8	380	220	160	0.42105263	2119
20	9	380	200	180	0.47368422	2059
20	10	380	180	200	0.5263158	1934
20	11	380	160	220	0.57894737	1904
20	12	380	140	240	0.6315789	1829
20	13	380	120	260	0.68421054	1746

- > By using the fact that link costs are directly proportional to the bandwidth requirement of the link (let's say capacity of a link), we have used shortest path algorithm in which link weights are simply the unit link costs.
- ➤ Hence, for every source and destination pair, we pick up a path with minimum cost and pass the flow through it.
- Let k be the number of outgoing links for a particular source having the unit link costs. The program is designed in such a way that depending on the value of k, the number of links equal to k would be the outgoing links for a source with minimum link cost (weight of such edges in the graph is taken 1). All other outgoing links are assumed to have higher link cost (weight of such edges in the graph is taken 200).
- > The parameter k significantly controls following:
 - ✓ The cost of the network
 - ✓ Network density
- ➤ Based on the results from the implementation of basic network design using shortest path based fast solution, we can draw some conclusions which are described with the help of plot graph.

(1) Effect of k on the optimum cost of a network

No of outgoing links (K)	Optimum cost of a network
3	3250
4	2867
5	2514
6	2318
7	2200
8	2119
9	2059
10	1934
11	1904
12	1829
13	1746

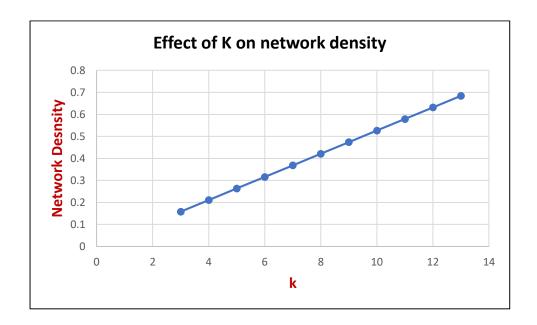


From the graph, we observe that cost of a network depends largely on the value of k. As the number of outgoing links from the source increases, maximum number of the edges coming in the shortest path are used. This leads to optimum network topology. Therefore, the cost of the total network gets reduced.

Therefore, we observe that the parameter k controls the total cost of a network. If k is small then less number of cheap links or low cost links leave the source therefore cost of the network is comparatively more, whereas if k is large then the number of links leaving the source are more thereby obtaining the network with low cost.

(2) Effect of k on network density

No of outgoing links (K)	Network Density
3	0.15789473
4	0.21052632
5	0.2631579
6	0.31578946
7	0.36842105
8	0.42105263
9	0.47368422
10	0.5263158
11	0.57894737
12	0.6315789
13	0.68421054



Network density is defined the ratio of actual connections to potential connection. In other words, we can define network density as the ratio of number of used links to the total number of links in the network. The parameter k controls the network density. A value of the network density lies between 0 and 1. From the graph we observe that there is linear relationship between the value of k and the network density. As the number of outgoing links from the source increases, more number of links that fall on the shortest paths are used. Hence, the density of the network increases.

For N = 20, if we choose k = 19 we would get maximum network density, that is, we would get a network topology with maximum number of links built that satisfy the traffic demands with minimum cost. In this case the network density becomes 1.

References

- (1) Lecture notes by Professor Andras Farago(2) www.gephi.org

Appendix

-----Source Code-----

Node.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.dijkstra;

public class Node {

   public int nodeValue;
   public int distance;
     public Node next;
   public Node parent;

   public Node() {

     }

   public Node(int value) {
        this.nodeValue = value;
   }

   public Node(int nodeValue, int distance) {
        this.nodeValue = nodeValue;
        this.distance = distance;
   }
}
```

List.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.dijkstra;
public class List {
      * This is head node for the Linked List
       * /
      Node head;
      public List() {
      }
      public List(Node v) {
           head = v;
      }
       * This method adds a node to the queue
      public void push(int num) {
           Node temp = head;
            Node n = new Node(num);
            if(head == null) {
                                                        //If List is empty
                  head = n;
                  head.next = null;
                  return;
            while(temp.next != null) {
                  temp = temp.next;
                                                       //If List is not empty
            }
            temp.next = n;
            n.next = null;
      }
       * This method pops the head of the queue
      */
      public Node poll() {
            Node temp = head;
            if(head == null)
                  return head;
            head = head.next;
            return temp;
      }
       ^{\star} This method calculates the size of the list
      public int getSize() {
            Node temp = head;
            int count = 0;
            while(temp != null){
                 count++;
                 temp = temp.next;
            }
```

```
return count;
}
```

CompareNodes.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.dijkstra;
import java.util.Comparator;
public class CompareNodes implements Comparator<Node>{
    @Override
    public int compare(Node o1, Node o2) {
        return (int) (o1.distance - o2.distance);
    }
}
```

Graph.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.dijkstra;
import java.util.Comparator;
import java.util.HashMap;
import java.util.Iterator;
import java.util.LinkedHashSet;
import java.util.Map;
import java.util.PriorityQueue;
import java.util.Set;
public class Graph {
      * This map stores the Linked list for each node in the graph
     Map<Integer, List> map = new HashMap<Integer, List>();
      * This map stores the 'visited' status of each node in the graph
     Map<Integer, Boolean> visited = new HashMap<Integer, Boolean>();
      * This is a Min-Heap
      * /
     PriorityQueue<Node> queue;
       * This set holds the nodes already traced i.e. whose shortest path is
found
      //Set<Node> tracedNode = new LinkedHashSet<Node>();
      Set<Node> tracedNode;
      * This array is used to store parent of each node
      int parent[] = new int[20];
      * This method returns the parent array
      public int[] getParent() {
          return parent;
      }
      public PriorityQueue<Node> getQueue() {
          return queue;
      }
      * This method adds node to the graph, creates a Linked List for each
node and sets the 'visited' status to false
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* /
      public void addNode(Node n) {
            List list = new List(n);
            map.put(n.nodeValue, list);
            visited.put(n.nodeValue, false);
      }
       * This method adds the weighted edge between 2 nodes in the undirected
graph
      public void add Edge(int v1, int v2, int weight) {
            List listOne = map.get(v1);
            Node headOne = listOne.head;
            while(headOne.next != null) {
                  headOne = headOne.next;
            Node nodeOne = new Node();
            nodeOne.nodeValue = v2;
            nodeOne.distance = weight;
            headOne.next = nodeOne;
            /*List listTwo = map.get(v2);
            Node headTwo = listTwo.head;
            while(headTwo.next != null) {
                  headTwo = headTwo.next;
            Node nodeTwo = new Node();
            nodeTwo.nodeValue = v1;
            nodeTwo.distance = weight;
            headTwo.next = nodeTwo; */
      }
       * This method creates and initializes a Min-Heap
      public void createMinHeap(int size, int start) {
            Comparator<Node> comparator = new CompareNodes();
            queue = new PriorityQueue<Node>(size, comparator);
            for(Integer i : map.keySet()) {
                  if(i == start)
                        queue.add(new Node(i, 0));
                  else
                        queue.add(new Node(i, Integer.MAX VALUE));
      }
       * This method calculates the shortest path from source node
      public void calculateShortestPath() {
            tracedNode = new LinkedHashSet<>();
            while(!queue.isEmpty()) {
                  Node start = queue.remove();
                  tracedNode.add(start);
```

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//System.out.println("Start value: " + start.nodeValue + "
Start distance: " + start.distance);
                  List list = map.get(start.nodeValue);
                  Node listNode = list.head.next;
                  while(listNode != null) {
                        Node heapNode = locateHeapNode(listNode);
                        if((heapNode != null) && ((start.distance +
listNode.distance) < heapNode.distance)) {</pre>
                              queue.remove(heapNode);
                              heapNode.distance = start.distance +
listNode.distance;
                              heapNode.parent = start;
                              queue.add(heapNode);
                              parent[heapNode.nodeValue] =
heapNode.parent.nodeValue;
                        listNode = listNode.next;
                  //System.out.println("Heap after extracting source with
value " + start.nodeValue);
                  //printHeap();
      }
       * This method locates the node in the heap
      public Node locateHeapNode(Node nodeToFind) {
            Iterator<Node> itr = queue.iterator();
            while(itr.hasNext()) {
                  Node n = itr.next();
                  if(n.nodeValue == nodeToFind.nodeValue) {
                        return n;
            return null;
      }
       * This method prints the weighted graph
      public void printGraph() {
            for (List list : map.values()) {
                  Node itrOne = list.head;
                  System.out.print("List for node " + itrOne.nodeValue + ":
");
                  while(itrOne.next != null) {
                        System.out.print(itrOne.nodeValue + "->");
                        itrOne = itrOne.next;
                  System.out.print(itrOne.nodeValue);
                  System.out.print(" : ");
                  Node itrTwo = list.head.next;
```

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while(itrTwo != null) {
                        System.out.print(itrTwo.distance + " ");
                        itrTwo = itrTwo.next;
                  System.out.println();
                  System.out.println();
            }
      }
       * This method prints the priority queue
      public void printHeap() {
            if(queue.size() != 0) {
                  System.out.println("Priority Queue:");
                  for (Node node : queue) {
                        System.out.println(node.nodeValue + " " +
node.distance);
            } else{
                  System.out.println("Heap is empty");
      }
      * This method prints each node, its distance from the source and and
its parent
       * /
      public void printDistanceParent() {
            Iterator<Node> itr = tracedNode.iterator();
            while(itr.hasNext()) {
                  Node n = itr.next();
                  if(n.parent != null) {
                        System.out.println("Distance of node " + n.nodeValue
+ ": "+ n.distance);
                  } else {
                        System.out.println("Distance of node " + n.nodeValue
+ ": " + n.distance);
            }
      }
      public int printDistanceParent(int destination) {
            Node n = null;
            Iterator<Node> itr = tracedNode.iterator();
            while(itr.hasNext()) {
                  n = itr.next();
                  if(n.parent != null && n.nodeValue == destination) {
                        System.out.println("Distance of node " + n.nodeValue
+ ": "+ n.distance);
                        break;
            return n.distance;
```

```
}
/*
  * This method prints the shortest path for each node
  */
public void printPath(int parent[], int j) {
    if(parent[j] == 0) {
        System.out.print(j + " ");
        return;
    }
    printPath(parent, parent[j]);
    System.out.print(j + " ");
}
```

NetworkDesignParameters.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.calculatecost;
import java.util.ArrayList;
import java.util.Collections;
import com.ankita.atn.dijkstra.Graph;
public class NetworkDesignParameters {
      * Unit Cost Matrix
      int a[][];
      * Traffic Demand Matrix
      */
      int b[][];
      * Unit cost of each link via shortest path
      int unitMinPathCost[][];
      /*
      * Cost of each link via shortest path
      int minPathCost[][];
       * Optimum cost of network
      int z opt = 0;
      static int k;
      * Number of nodes
      static int numberOfNodes;
      public NetworkDesignParameters(int numberOfNodes, int k) {
            NetworkDesignParameters.numberOfNodes = numberOfNodes;
            NetworkDesignParameters.k = k;
            unitMinPathCost = new int[numberOfNodes][numberOfNodes];
            minPathCost = new int[numberOfNodes][numberOfNodes];
      }
       * Initializes unit cost for each link
       * /
      public void initializeUnitCost() {
```

```
a = new int[numberOfNodes][numberOfNodes];
            for(int i = 0; i < numberOfNodes; i++) {</pre>
                  for (int j = 0; j < numberOfNodes; j++) {</pre>
                         if(i == j)
                               a[i][j] = 0;
                         else
                               a[i][j] = 200;
                  }
            for(int i = 0; i < numberOfNodes; i++) {</pre>
                  ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<Integer>();
              for (int m=0; m < numberOfNodes; m++) {</pre>
                  if(i != m)
                         list.add(new Integer(m));
              }
              Collections.shuffle(list);
              for (int p=0; p < k; p++) {
                  //System.out.println("Random k value for Source "+i+" :
"+list.get(p));
                  a[i][list.get(p)] = 1;
              }
            }
      }
       * Initializes Traffic Demand for each link
      public void initializeTrafficDemand() {
            //int studentID1[] = {2, 0, 2, 1, 3, 0};
            int studentID1[] = {2, 0, 2, 1, 3, 0, 6, 7, 0, 9, 2, 0, 2, 1, 3,
0, 6, 7, 0, 9};
            b = new int[numberOfNodes][numberOfNodes];
            System.out.println("Input Traffic demand matrix bij");
            for (int i = 0; i < b.length; i++) {
                  for (int j = 0; j < b.length; <math>j++) {
                         b[i][j] = Math.abs(studentID1[i] - studentID1[j]);
                         //System.out.println("Traffic demand of " + " ("+(i)
+ " , " + (j) + ") :" + b[i][j]);
                         System.out.print(b[i][j] + " ");
                  System.out.println();
      }
       * Calculates total cost for each link based on shortest path
```

```
* /
      public void calculateLinkCost(Graph graph, int source) {
            graph.createMinHeap(numberOfNodes, source);
            graph.calculateShortestPath();
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Source " + source);
            for(int i = 0; i < numberOfNodes; i++) {</pre>
                  if(source != i) {
                        unitMinPathCost[source][i] =
graph.printDistanceParent(i);
                        minPathCost[source][i] = unitMinPathCost[source][i] *
b[source][i];
                         //System.out.print(unitMinPathCost[source][i]);
                         //System.out.println();
                         z_opt += minPathCost[source][i];
                        System.out.println("Cost of the link: "+
"("+(+source+ ", "+ i) +"):" + minPathCost[source][i]);
            System.out.println();
      }
      public void printUnitMinPathCostMatrix(){
            for(int i =0; i<numberOfNodes; i++){</pre>
                  for(int j=0; j<numberOfNodes; j++) {</pre>
                         System.out.print(unitMinPathCost[i][j]+" ");
                  System.out.println();
      }
       * Calculates network density. Network density = (No of directed
edges)/(no of nodes)(no of nodes - 1)
       * /
      public int calculateNetworkDensity(){
            int count = 0;
            for(int i =0; i< numberOfNodes; i++){</pre>
                  for(int j =0; j< numberOfNodes; j++){</pre>
                         //condition to check unused link
                        if (i != j & (unitMinPathCost[i][j] == 0 ||
(unitMinPathCost[i][j] != 1 & unitMinPathCost[i][j] != 200))){
                               count ++;
                         }
```

```
}
return count;
}
```

CalculateOptimumCost.java

```
package com.ankita.atn.calculatecost;
import java.util.Scanner;
import com.ankita.atn.dijkstra.Graph;
import com.ankita.atn.dijkstra.Node;
public class CalculateOptimumCost {
      public static void main(String[] args) {
            Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
            System.out.println("Please enter number of nodes N: ");
            int numberOfNodes = sc.nextInt();
            System.out.println("Please enter k: ");
            int k = sc.nextInt();
            //Create Graph
            Graph graph = new Graph();
            Node v[] = new Node[numberOfNodes];
            for (int i = 0; i < v.length; i++) {
                  v[i] = new Node(i);
                  graph.addNode(v[i]);
            }
            NetworkDesignParameters networkParam = new
NetworkDesignParameters(numberOfNodes, k);
            //Initialize aij
            networkParam.initializeUnitCost();
            for(int i = 0; i < numberOfNodes; i++)</pre>
                  for(int j = 0; j < numberOfNodes; j++) {</pre>
                        graph.add Edge(v[i].nodeValue, v[j].nodeValue,
networkParam.a[i][j]);
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Adjacency List representation of graph with:
      aij");
            graph.printGraph();
            //Initialize bij
            networkParam.initializeTrafficDemand();
            System.out.println();
            System.out.println("Dijkstra's Algorithm Results:");
            //Calculate cost of each link
            for (int i = 0; i < v.length; i++) {
                  networkParam.calculateLinkCost(graph, v[i].nodeValue);
```

```
}
             * Following function prints the matrix which stores the minimum
cost from the source.
             * /
            System.out.println("Minimum Unit Path Cost Matrix - based on
shortest paths");
            networkParam.printUnitMinPathCostMatrix();
            //Calculate the network density.
            * Network Density = (No of directed Edges) / (Possible number
of directed edges)
            float networkDensity = 0;
            /*
            * Unused links can be: (1) A link having no direct edge
                                     (2) A link having zero capacity.
            int unUsedLinks = networkParam.calculateNetworkDensity();
            * Total links = Possible number of directed edges
            int totalLinks = (numberOfNodes) * (numberOfNodes - 1);
             * No of directed edges = Edges with non-zero assigned capacity
            networkDensity = (float)(totalLinks - unUsedLinks)/(totalLinks);
            System.out.println("Total Links = " + totalLinks);
            System.out.println("Unused Links = " + unUsedLinks);
            System.out.println("Used Links = " + (totalLinks - unUsedLinks));
            System.out.println("Network Density = " + networkDensity);
            System.out.println("Optimal Cost of the network = " +
networkParam.z opt);
      }
}
```