

Lecture 14

Algorithms & Data Structures

Goldsmiths Computing

February 4, 2019

Outline

Introduction

Path finding

Memoization

Dynamic programming

Lecture

1. Graphs
2. Spanning trees
3. Path finding
 - (or at least half of it)

Lab

Heaps!

- two different constructors (incremental boolean)
- heapsort

VLE activities

Implicit data structures quiz

Statistics so far:

- A attempts: average mark B
- C students: average mark D
 - E under 4.00, F over 6.99, G at 10.00

Quiz closes at 16:00 on Friday 2nd February

- **no extensions**
- grade is
 - 0 (for no attempt)
 - $30 + 70 \times (\text{score}/10)^2$

VLE activities (cont'd)

Binary search quiz

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Motivation

- Exploration of known, partially known or unknown surroundings
- Component of various AI solutions
 - especially agents exploring some space:
 - ... game enemies
 - ... NPCs
 - ... self-driving cars

Definition

Single-source shortest path

- from a single source node:
 - find the shortest path to every node in the graph
 - stop early if we have a specific target node

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State expansion

Explore the graph using neighbours of already-visited nodes

Greedy best-first search

Explore the graph using the neighbour of the current node which is closest to the target.

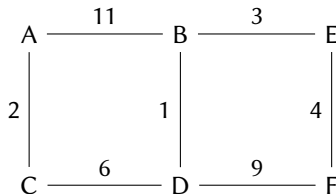
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function GBFS(G,start,end)
  current ← start
  result ← new queue()
  while current ≠ end do
    ENQUEUE(result,current)
    ns ← NEIGHBOURS(G,current)
    current ←  $\arg \min_{n \in ns} d(n, end)$ 
  end while
  return result
end function

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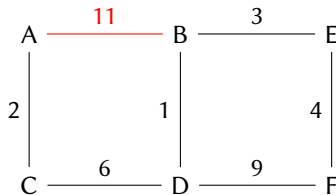
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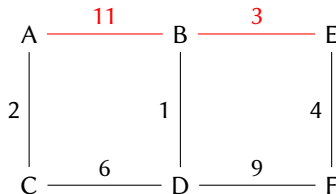
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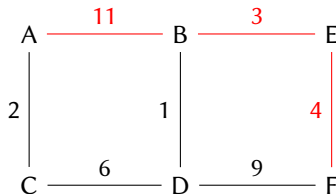
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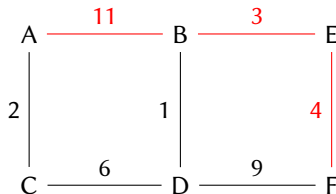
Result

path $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow E \rightarrow F$

distance 18

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Result

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Problems

- does not necessarily find a solution!
- not guaranteed optimal

Dijkstra's algorithm

Explore the graph using the neighbour of the already-visited nodes with the smallest distance from the start node

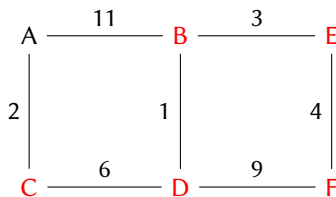
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function DIJKSTRA(G,start,end)
  dist  $\leftarrow$  new table(); prev  $\leftarrow$  new table()
  Q  $\leftarrow$  new min-heap(dist)
  for v  $\in$  G do
    dist[v]  $\leftarrow$  0 if v = start else  $\infty$ ; INSERT(Q,v)
  end for
  while  $\neg$  EMPTY(Q) do
    u  $\leftarrow$  EXTRACT-MIN(Q)
    if u = end then
      s  $\leftarrow$  new stack()
      while u  $\neq$  start do
        PUSH(s,u); u  $\leftarrow$  prev[u]
      end while
      return s
    end if
    for v  $\in$  NEIGHBOURS(G,u) do
      d  $\leftarrow$  dist[u] + WEIGHT(G,u,v)
      if d < dist[v] then
        dist[v]  $\leftarrow$  d; prev[v]  $\leftarrow$  u; DECREASE-KEY(Q,v,dist[v])
      end if
    end for
  end while
end function

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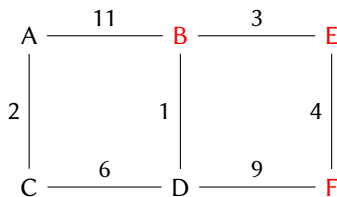

Example

Node	dist[n]	prev[n]
A	0	
B	11	A
C	2	A
D	∞	
E	∞	
F	∞	



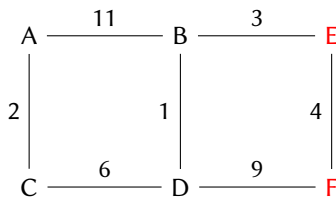
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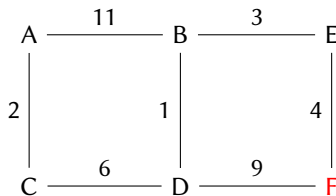
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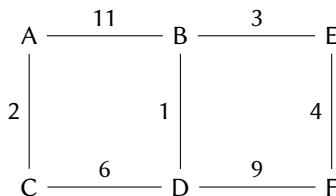
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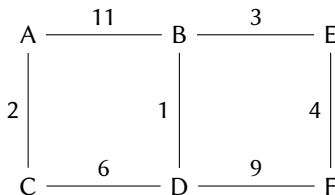
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Note

- requires all non-negative weights
- guaranteed to find shortest path
- need priority queue (min-heap) for efficient operation
- does not use distance estimate information

A*

Explore the graph using the neighbour of the already-visited nodes with the smallest estimated distance from the start node to the target node

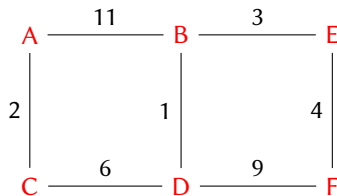
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  end for
  while ¬ EMPTY(Q) do
    u ← EXTRACT-MIN(Q)
    if u = end then
      s ← new stack()
      while u ≠ start do
        PUSH(s,u); u ← prev[u]
      end while
      return s
    end if
    for v ∈ NEIGHBOURS(G,u) do
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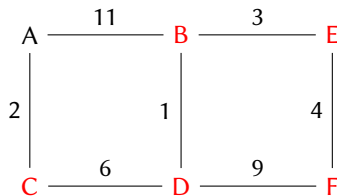

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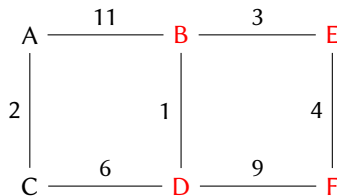
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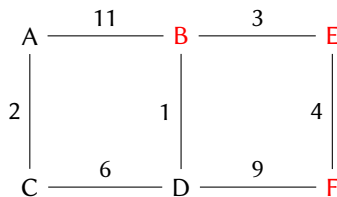
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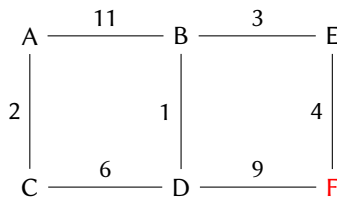
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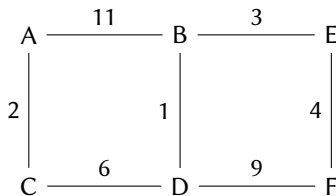
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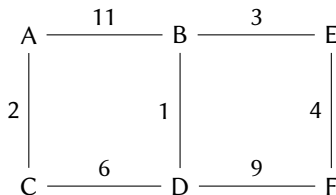
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Note

- generalisation of Dijkstra's algorithm
- distance estimation h must be **admissible**
 - lower bound
 - non-negative
 - (Dijkstra's algorithm is A^* with $h(n) = 0$)

Work

1. Reading

- CLRS, chapter 24
- Drozdek, sections 8.2, 8.3

2. Questions from CLRS

[Exercises](#) 24.3-1

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Motivation

We've seen a trade-off between space and time in various places so far. Is there a systematic way of thinking about it?

Definition

Memoization is the use of some data structure to store the results of previous computations, particularly when those results will be re-used.
(Similar: cacheing)

Example: factorial

$$n! = \begin{cases} 1 & n < 2 \\ n \times (n-1)! & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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  if n < 2 then
    return 1
  else
    return n × FACT(n-1)
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Complexity

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space $\Omega(N)$

Example: factorial (accumulator)

save stack space: use accumulator instead

```
function FACT(n)
    return FACTAUX(n,1)
end function
function FACTAUX(n,r)
    if n < 2 then
        return r
    else
        return FACTAUX(n-1,n×r)
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space $\Omega(1)$

Example: factorial (memoized)

```

T ← new Vector(1000)
for 0 ≤ i < 1000 do
  T ← 0
end for
function FACTMEMO(n)
  if T[n] > 0 then
    return T[n]
  else if n < 2 then
    T[n] ← n; return T[n]
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space $\Omega(N)$

Example: Fibonacci

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```

function FIB(n)
  if n < 2 then
    return n
  else
    return FIB(n-1) + FIB(n-2)
  end if
end function

```

Complexity

time $\Omega(\varphi^N)$

space $\Omega(\varphi^N)$

Example: Fibonacci (memoized)

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T ← new Vector(1000)
for 0 ≤ i < 1000 do
  T ← -1
end for
function FIBMEMO(n)
  if T[n] ≥ 0 then
    return T[n]
  else if n < 2 then
    T[n] ← n
    return T[n]
  else
    T[n] ← FIBMEMO(n-1) + FIBMEMO(n-2)
    return T[n]
  end if
end function
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Work

1. Reading

- CLRS, chapter 15

2. Exercises and Problems

Exercises from CLRS 15.1-1, 15.1-4

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Motivation

Technique for applying memoization to optimization problems.

- not really “dynamic”;
- not really “programming” (as we understand it today).

Marketing!

Definition

The bottom-up application of memoization (stored computation) to solve problems searching for an optimum (shortest, smallest, ...) of a set of possibilities, where the optimum can be described in terms of subproblems.

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Example: factorial (dynamic programming)

```
function FACTDP(n)
  T  $\leftarrow$  new Vector(n+1)
  T[0]  $\leftarrow$  1
  for  $0 < i \leq n$  do
    T[i]  $\leftarrow$  n  $\times$  T[i-1]
  end for
  return T[n]
end function
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end function

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Example: Fibonacci (memoized)

```

T ← new Vector(1000)
for  $0 \leq i < 1000$  do
    T ← -1
end for
function FIBMEMO(n)
    if T[n]  $\geq 0$  then
        return T[n]
    else if n < 2 then
        T[n] ← n
        return T[n]
    else
        T[n] ← FIBMEMO(n-1) + FIBMEMO(n-2)
        return T[n]
    end if
end function

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Example: Fibonacci (dynamic programming)

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function FIBDP(n)
  T  $\leftarrow$  new Vector(n+1)
  T[0]  $\leftarrow$  0
  T[1]  $\leftarrow$  1
  for 1 < i ≤ n do
    T[i]  $\leftarrow$  T[i-1] + T[i-2]
  end for
  return T[n]
end function
```


Example: coins

Given a collection of denominations $\{D\}$, how many coins does it take to make a particular value v ?

- extension: in what way can we make v using the smallest number of coins?

Example: coins

```
function GREEDY(D,v)
  if v = 0 then
    return 0
  else
    cs  $\leftarrow \{c \mid c \in D \wedge c \leq v\}$ 
    c  $\leftarrow \text{MAX}(cs)$ 
    return 1 + GREEDY(D,v-c)
  end if
end function
```

Example: coins

```
function OPT(D,v)
  if  $v \in D$  then
    return 1
  else if  $v < \text{MIN}(D)$  then
    return false
  else
     $cs \leftarrow \{\text{OPT}(D, v-c) \mid c \in D \wedge \text{Opt}(c) \neq \text{false}\}$ 
    return  $1 + \text{MIN}(cs)$ 
  end if
end function
```

Example: coins

```
function LOOKUP(T,i)
  if i < 0 then
    return  $\infty$ 
  else
    return T[i]
  end if
end function

function OPTDYNAMICPROGRAMMING(D,v)
  T  $\leftarrow$  new Vector(v)
  T[0]  $\leftarrow$  0
  for 0 < i  $\leq$  v do
    cs  $\leftarrow$  {1 + LOOKUP(T,i-c) | c  $\in$  D}
    T[i]  $\leftarrow$  MIN(cs)
  end for
  return T[v]
end function
```

Example: image seam carving

Assume some “energy” measurement for pixels $E(i,j)$

$$c(i,j) = \begin{cases} E(i,j) & j = 0 \\ E(i,j) + \min(c(i-1,j-1), c(i,j-1), c(i+1,j-1)) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

function SEAM(l)

$w \leftarrow \text{WIDTH}(l)$; $h \leftarrow \text{HEIGHT}(l)$

$T \leftarrow \text{new Array}(w+2, h)$

for $0 \leq i < w$ **do**

$T[i+1,j] \leftarrow (E(l,i,j), \text{NIL})$

end for

for $0 \leq j < h$ **do**

$T[0,j] \leftarrow (\infty, \text{NIL})$; $T[w+1,j] \leftarrow (\infty, \text{NIL})$

end for

for $0 < j < h$ **do**

for $0 \leq i < w$ **do**

$T[i+1,j] \leftarrow \text{MIN1}((T[i,j-1], i), (T[i+1,j-1], i+1), (T[i+2,j-1], i+2))$

end for

end for

end function

Example: edit distance

Operations needed to edit one string into another:

insertion insert a character into the string (cost: c_i)

deletion delete a character from the string (cost: c_d)

substitution substitute one character for another (cost: c_s)

```

function EDITDISTANCE(S,Z)
  if LENGTH(S) = 0 then
    return  $c_i \times \text{LENGTH}(Z)$ 
  else if LENGTH(Z) = 0 then
    return  $c_d \times \text{LENGTH}(S)$ 
  else
    ins  $\leftarrow c_i + \text{EDITDISTANCE}(Z[0]S, Z)$ 
    del  $\leftarrow c_d + \text{EDITDISTANCE}(S[1..], Z)$ 
    if  $Z[0] = S[0]$  then
      sub  $\leftarrow \text{EDITDISTANCE}(S[1..], Z[1..])$ 
    else
      sub  $\leftarrow c_s + \text{EDITDISTANCE}(S[1..], Z[1..])$ 
    end if
    return MIN(ins, del, sub)
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```

function EDITDISTANCEDP(S,Z)
  ls ← LENGTH(S); lz ← LENGTH(Z)
  T ← new Array(ls+1, lz+1)
  for 0 ≤ i ≤ ls do
    T[i,0] ← i × cd
  end for
  for 0 ≤ j ≤ lz do
    T[0,j] ← j × ci
  end for
  for 0 < i ≤ ls do
    for 0 < j ≤ lz do
      if S[i-1] = Z[j-1] then
        T[i,j] ← T[i-1,j-1]
      else
        ins ← ci + T[i,j-1]
        del ← cd + T[i-1,j]
        sub ← cs + T[i-1,j-1]
        T[i,j] ← MIN(ins, del, sub)
      end if
    end for
  end for
  return T[ls,lz]
end function

```


Dynamic programming and memoization

memoization

- small modification of natural recursive definition
- introduction of a cache to store intermediate results
- start from problem, work on progressively smaller cases

dynamic programming

- more substantial rewrite of recursive definition
- introduction of a table to store successive results
- start from base case, work on progressively larger cases

Work

1. Reading

- CLRS, chapter 15
- DPV, chapter 6

2. Exercises and Problems

Exercises from CLRS 15.1-5

Exercises from DPV 6.1, 6.2

CLRS 15-4 Printing neatly

CLRS 15-5 Edit distance