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# Branch and Bound

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1. Implement the Branch-and-Bound algorithm for the Traveling Salesman problem.

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# Initially sub\_cycle is empty;

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# 5. Currently best solution current\_min, so that we don't even consider paths of greater weight.

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# Initially the min weight is infinite

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def branch\_and\_bound(g, sub\_cycle=None, current\_min=float("inf")):

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# If the current path is empty, then we can safely assume that it starts with the vertex 0.

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if sub\_cycle is None:

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sub\_cycle = [0]

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# If we already have all vertices in the cycle, then we just compute the weight of this cycle and return it.

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if len(sub\_cycle) == g.number\_of\_nodes():

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weight = sum([g[sub\_cycle[i]][sub\_cycle[i + 1]]['weight'] for i in range(len(sub\_cycle) - 1)])

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weight = weight + g[sub\_cycle[-1]][sub\_cycle[0]]['weight']

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return weight

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# Now we look at all nodes which aren't yet used in sub\_cycle.

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unused\_nodes = list()

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for v in g.nodes():

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if v not in sub\_cycle:

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unused\_nodes.append((g[sub\_cycle[-1]][v]['weight'], v))

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# We sort them by the distance from the "current node" -- the last node in sub\_cycle.

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unused\_nodes = sorted(unused\_nodes)

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for (d, v) in unused\_nodes:

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assert v not in sub\_cycle

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extended\_subcycle = list(sub\_cycle)

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extended\_subcycle.append(v)

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# For each unused vertex, we check if there is any chance to find a shorter cycle if we add it now.

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if lower\_bound(g, extended\_subcycle) < current\_min:

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new\_min = branch\_and\_bound(g, sub\_cycle + [v], current\_min)

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if new\_min < current\_min:

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current\_min = new\_min

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# WRITE YOUR CODE HERE

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# If there is such a chance, we add the vertex to the current cycle, and proceed recursively.

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# If we found a short cycle, then we update the current\_min value.

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# The procedure returns the shortest cycle length.

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return current\_min

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