

# Design and Analysis of Algorithms (2022 Spring)

## Solution to Problem Set 2

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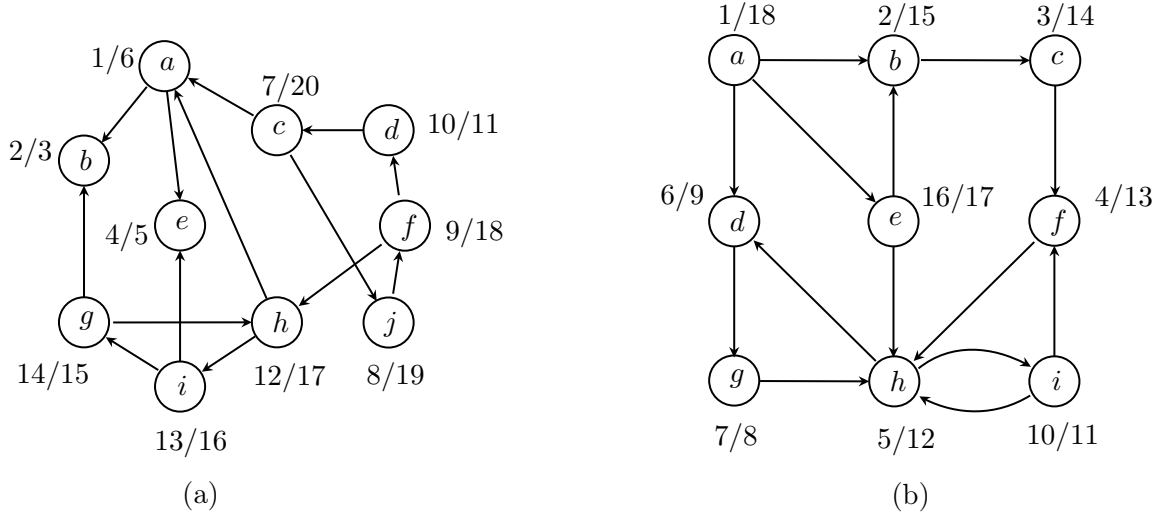


Figure 1: Timestamps obtained from DFS on  $G^R$ .

- (a) The SCCs are found in the order listed below:
- Graph in (a):  $\{c, d, f, j\}$ ,  $\{h, g, i\}$ ,  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{e\}$ ,  $\{b\}$
  - Graph in (b):  $\{a\}$ ,  $\{e\}$ ,  $\{b\}$ ,  $\{c\}$ ,  $\{d, f, g, h, i\}$
- (b) Source SCCs and Sink SCCs:
- Graph in (a): Its source SCCs are  $\{b\}$  and  $\{e\}$ . Its sink SCC is  $\{c, d, f, j\}$ .
  - Graph  $G$  in (b): Its source SCC is  $\{d, f, g, h, i\}$ . Its sink SCC is  $\{a\}$ .
- (c) The metagraphs of graph  $G$  in (a) and (b) are as follows:

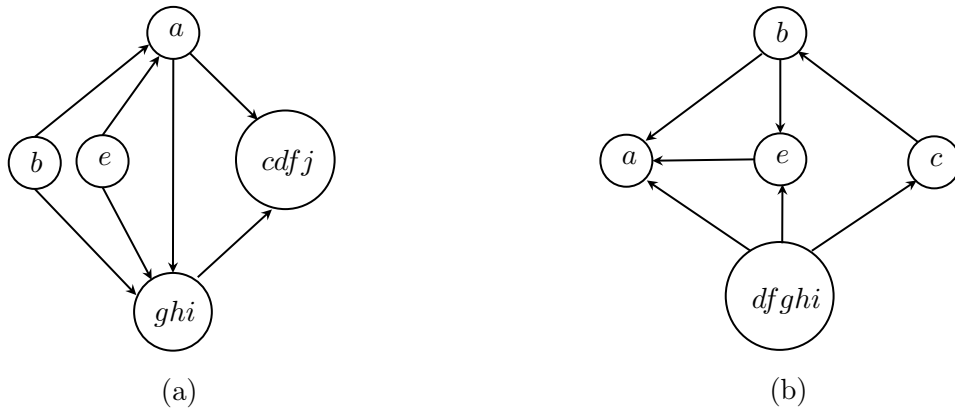


Figure 2: Metagraph of  $G$ .

- (d) To make  $G$  strongly connected, the minimum number of edges needed is

- Graph in (a): 2  
(For example, add  $(u, b)$  and  $(v, e)$  for some  $u, v$  in the sink SCC  $\{c, d, f, j\}$ . Adding 1 edge is not sufficient because to make the two source SCCs  $\{b\}$  and  $\{e\}$  reachable from any vertex in  $G$ , there must be at least one in-degree edge at both  $b$  and  $e$ .)
- Graph  $G$  in (b): 1  
(For example, add  $(a, u)$  for some  $u$  in the sink SCC  $\{d, f, g, h, i\}$ .)

2. Let  $e = (u, v)$ . The algorithm for determining whether  $G$  has a cycle containing  $e$  is as follows:

- 1) Construct  $G'$  by removing  $e$  from  $G$ .
- 2) Initialize  $\text{visited}(w) = \text{false}$  for each vertex  $w$  in  $G'$ .
- 3) Run  $\text{explore}(u)$ .
- 4) Return  $\text{visited}(v)$ .

Correctness:

- If  $G$  has a cycle containing  $e$ , there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$  in  $G'$ . Thus,  $\text{visited}(v)$  is set to true during  $\text{explore}(u)$ . The output is true.
- If  $G$  has no cycle containing  $e$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  are not connected in  $G'$ . Thus,  $\text{visited}(v)$  remains false during  $\text{explore}(u)$ . The output is false.

Running time:  $O(|V| + |E|)$ , since  $\text{explore}(u)$  is a sub-procedure of DFS.

3. Denote by  $L(u, v)$  the length of edge  $(u, v)$ . The algorithm for determining whether  $G = (V, E)$  has a negative cycle is as follows:

- 1) Construct graph  $G' = (V', E')$  by adding a source vertex  $s$  to  $V$  and a directed edge  $(s, v)$  with  $L(s, v) = 0$  to  $E$  for any  $v \in V$ . Then, every  $v \in V$  is reachable from  $s$ .
- 2) Initialize  $\text{dist}(s) = 0$  and  $\text{dist}(v) = \infty$  for any  $v \in V$ .
- 3) For  $i = 1$  to  $|V'| - 1$ :
- 4)     For each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ :
- 5)          $\text{dist}(v) = \min \{\text{dist}(v), \text{dist}(u) + L(u, v)\}$
- 6) For each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ :
- 7)     If  $\text{dist}(v) > \text{dist}(u) + L(u, v)$ :
- 8)         Return true
- 9) Return false

Correctness: Denote by  $d(s, v)$  the shortest path distance from  $s$  to  $v$ .

- If  $G$  has no negative cycle,  $\text{dist}(v, |V'| - 1) = d(s, v)$  for each  $v \in V$  after the distance updates in step 3 - 7. For each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ ,  $\text{dist}(u) + L(u, v)$  is the distance of the shortest path from  $s$  to  $u$  union edge  $(u, v)$ . This distance is no shorter than the shortest path distance from  $s$  to  $v$ , i.e.  $\text{dist}(u) + L(u, v) \geq d(s, v) = \text{dist}(v)$ . Hence, the algorithm returns false.
- If  $G$  has a negative cycle, the shortest path distance from  $s$  to those  $v \in V$  involved in the negative cycle is  $-\infty$ . After the  $|V'| - 1$  rounds of distance updates, it must be the case that the distance estimate for some  $v$  in the negative cycle drops in the next round.

Formally, assume for the sake of contradiction that  $G$  contains a negative cycle and the algorithm returns false. Let  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_k \rightarrow v_{k+1}$  be a negative cycle, where  $v_{k+1} = v_1$ .

Then,  $\sum_{i=1}^k L(v_i, v_{i+1}) < 0$ . Since the algorithm returns false, we have  $\text{dist}(v_{i+1}) \leq \text{dist}(v_i) +$

$L(v_i, v_{i+1})$  for each  $i$  after the distance updates. Then,  $\sum_{i=1}^k \text{dist}(v_{i+1}) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k [\text{dist}(v_i) + L(v_i, v_{i+1})]$ .

Note that  $\sum_{i=1}^k L(v_i, v_{i+1}) \geq 0$  since  $\sum_{i=1}^k \text{dist}(v_{i+1}) = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{dist}(v_i)$ . This is a contradiction.

Hence, if  $G$  contains a negative cycle, the algorithm always returns true.

Running time:  $O(|V||E|)$

Remark: To return a negative cycle in  $G$  if any, the algorithm can additionally record, for each vertex, its parent in the current path found. Then, backtrack the negative cycle starting from  $v$ , which is the endpoint of the edge  $(u, v)$  that satisfies  $\text{dist}(v) > \text{dist}(u) + L(u, v)$  in step 9.

4. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be an undirected graph, where  $V$  is the set of cities and  $E = \{\{i, j\} : \text{a highway were already built between city } i \text{ and city } j \text{ by the predecessor}\}$ . The algorithm for finding a cost minimizing set of highways to be built subject to the choices already made, based on Kruskal's algorithm, is as follows:

- 1) Start from  $G' = (V, E')$ , where  $E' = E$ .
- 2) For all edges  $e \notin E$  in ascending order of  $c(e)$ :
- 3) Add edge  $e$  to  $E'$  unless doing so would create a cycle
- 4) Return  $E' - E$  as the set of additional highways to be built

Correctness: Since the algorithm does not add edges that would create a cycle, each edge added must connect two connected components in  $G$ . Thus, the algorithm finds an MST on the meta-graph of  $G$ , leading to a cost minimizing set of highways to be built subject to the choices already made by the predecessor.

Running time:  $O(|E| \log |V|)$

5. The Dijkstra Algorithm can be modified slightly to improve the running time for the single-source shortest path problem with positive edge lengths and known diameter  $D$ . In particular,  $D$  arrays are used to store the vertices whose estimate  $\text{dist}(\cdot)$  of shortest distance from  $s$  is equal to a particular possible value among  $1, \dots, D$ . The algorithm is as follows:

- 1) Initialize  $V' = \{s\}$ ,  $\text{dist}(s) = 0$  and  $\text{dist}(x) = \begin{cases} L(s, x) & \text{if } (s, x) \in E \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$  for other vertices  $x$
- 2) Initialize  $\text{bin}[i] = \{x : \text{dist}(x) = i\}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, D$
- 3) While  $V' \neq V$  do
- 4) Remove a node  $v$  from the first nonempty bin with respect to the bin index
- 5) Add  $v$  to  $V'$
- 6) For all edge  $(v, x) \in E$ :
- 7) If  $\text{dist}(x) > \text{dist}(v) + L(v, x)$ :
- 8) If  $\text{dist}(x) < \infty$ , remove  $x$  from  $\text{bin}[\text{dist}(x)]$
- 9) Update  $\text{dist}(x) = \text{dist}(v) + L(v, x)$ , then add  $x$  to  $\text{bin}[\text{dist}(x)]$

Correctness: Same as the argument for the Dijkstra Algorithm

Running time: Steps 1, 2 and 5 take  $O(|V|)$  time. Steps 6 - 9 take  $O(|E|)$  time. Step 4 takes  $O(D)$  time to locate the first nonempty bin among to  $D$  bins in order to find a vertex  $v \in V'$  with the smallest  $\text{dist}(v)$ . Overall running time is  $O(|V| + |E| + D)$ .

6. It suffices to show that  $G$  is a tree. Then, there exists a unique tree in  $G$  that includes all nodes of  $G$ , meaning that both the DFS tree rooted at  $u$  and the BFS tree rooted at  $u$  obtained are exactly  $G$ .

Suppose to the contrary that  $G$  is not a tree. Since  $G$  is undirected and connected, there exists a cycle  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_\ell \rightarrow v_1$  in  $G$ .

Let  $v_i$  be the first node in the cycle visited by the DFS. Then, all other nodes in the cycle will be visited at some point when  $v_i$  is explored, so  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_\ell$  will all be on the same path from the root.

However,  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_\ell$  will form at least two branches in the BFS tree. Suppose it is not the case. Then similar to the situation in the DFS tree,  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_\ell$  will all be on the same path from the root. Let  $v_j$  and  $v_k$  be the first and the last node in the cycle visited by the BFS. Since  $v_j$  and  $v_k$  are adjacent in the cycle, BFS should have added  $v_k$  to the queue when  $v_j$  is visited. Thus,  $v_k$  should be a child of  $v_j$  in the BFS tree instead. This is a contradiction.

Hence, the DFS tree will be different from the BFS tree. The result follows.

7. Denote by  $w(v)$  the weight of vertex  $v$ . The algorithm for the variant of the single-source shortest path problem is as follows:

- 1) Initialize  $\text{dist}(s) = w(s)$ , and  $\text{dist}(x) = \infty$  for other vertices  $x$
- 2)  $V' = \{s\}$
- 3) While  $V' \neq V$  do
  - 4) Pick the node  $v \notin V'$  with the smallest  $\text{dist}(v)$
  - 5) Add  $v$  to  $V'$
  - 6) For all edges  $(v, x) \in E$ :
    - 7) If  $\text{dist}(x) > \text{dist}(v) + w(x)$ , update  $\text{dist}(x) = \text{dist}(v) + w(x)$

Correctness: Similar to the argument for Dijkstra Algorithm, except for the computation of the shortest distance because of the length of a path is defined to be the sum of vertex weights instead of the sum of edge weights on the path.

Running time:  $O((|E| + |V|) \log |V|)$

8. (a) • "Only if": Assume graph  $G = (V, E)$  is bipartite. Let  $(V_1, V_2)$  be a bipartition of  $V$ . Consider a cycle  $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_k \rightarrow v_1$  in the graph. Suppose WLOG that  $v_1 \in V_1$ . Then  $v_i \in V_1$  for odd  $i$  and  $v_i \in V_2$  for even  $i$ . Then,  $k$  must be even because  $G$  is bipartite.
- "If": Assume to the contrary that  $G$  contains no odd cycle and yet  $G$  is not bipartite. Then we pick an arbitrary vertex  $s$  in  $V$  and run  $\text{BFS}(G, s)$  to compute the shortest path distance from  $s$  to every  $v \in V$ . After that, we color all vertices at even distance from  $s$  red, and color all vertices at odd distance from  $s$  blue. Since  $G$  is not bipartite, there exists some edge  $(u, v)$  whose endpoints receive the same color. Hence, there exists a path from  $s$  to  $u$  and a path from  $s$  to  $v$  such that the parity of the two path distances is the same. Then, the two paths, together with the edge  $(u, v)$ , forms an odd cycle. This is a contradiction.
- (b) The algorithm for determining whether an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  is bipartite is as follows:
- 1) Pick an arbitrary vertex  $s$  in  $V$ . Run  $\text{BFS}(G, s)$  to compute the shortest path distance from  $s$  to every  $v \in V$ .
  - 2) Color all vertices at even distance from  $s$  red, and color all vertices at odd distance from  $s$  blue.
  - 3) Return true if and only if for every edge, both of its endpoints are of different colors.

Correctness:

- Suppose  $G$  is bipartite. Let  $(V_1, V_2)$  be a bipartition of  $V$ . Without loss of generality, let  $s \in V_1$ . The algorithm colors  $s$  red. Then all neighbors of  $s$  are in  $V_2$ . The algorithm colors them blue. Then all neighbors of these blue vertices must be in  $V_1$ . The algorithm colors them red. Since there is no odd cycle in  $G$ , there will not be an edge with both endpoints of the same color, which implies that the algorithm must return true.
- Suppose  $G$  is not bipartite. Then  $G$  contains an odd cycle, so it is not possible to produce a coloring such that for every edge, both of its endpoints are of different colors. Hence, the algorithm must return false.

Running time: Step 1 takes  $O(|V| + |E|)$  time. Step 2 takes  $O(|V|)$  time. Step 3 takes  $O(|E|)$  time. Overall running time is  $O(|V| + |E|)$ .