CS170–Fall 2014 — Solutions to Homework 5

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1. Super-long path in a DAG

Main idea.

The idea is that if there is a directed cyclic graph that touches every vertex exactly once, it means there must be exist a Hamiltonian path (a path visit every vertex exactly once). We also know that there is only one solution for topological sort (in decreasing post-order). Therefore, we will get a list of vertices from the topological sort (in decreasing post-order) and make sure that there is an edge between v_i and v_{i+1} for every order of pair of vertices in the list (A B C, edge(A,B) and edge(B,C) are true). If there is no edge between any v_i and v_{i+1} , then the graph does not contain a directed path that touches every vertex exactly once.

Pseudocode.

Line 0: Function(graph G):

Line 1: sortList = run DFS, on G get the list of vertices in decreasing post-order (Topological sort), and adjacency list

Line 2: For v_i and v_{i+1} in sortList:

Line 3: If $edge(v_i, v_{i+1})$ is False: return False

Line 4: return True

Proof of correctness.

_ Directed proof:

If there is exist a directed path that touches every vertex exactly once in graph G, we have unique topological sort list of vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_v in decrease post-order. Hence, the topological sort is the unique path that has an edge between every 2 consecutive vertices in the list $(\text{edge}(v_i, v_{i+1}))$ is true

). Therefore, this path is also Hamiltonian path. Therefore, the algorithm is work for determined a graph G contain a directed path that touches every vertex exactly once.

Running time.

$$T(E,V) = \Theta(E+V)$$

Justification of running time.

Let T(E,V) be the running time of the algorithm, with E edges and V vertices. At line 1: run DFS on G, get the topological list, and get the adjacency list will take $\Theta(|E| + |V|)$

At the loop line 2 and 3, go iterate through the topological list , and checking for if an existing edge take $\Theta(|E|+|V|)$

Hence, the run time

$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|) + \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$
$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$

2. Number of shortest paths

Main idea. The idea is to use BFS, and whenever we visited a node that already been visited, we update the that node's cost iff the cost is less than the visited node's cost. When we find the goal, we update the current shortest cost iff the goal's cost is less than the shortest cost and set the counter to 1. If the goal's cost is the same, then we increase the counter by 1. At the end, we just return the counter which is the number of shortest paths to the goal.

Pseudocode.

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Line 0: BFS(G,s,g):
Line 1:
            create a set V
            dict = key: vertex, value cost to that vertex
Line 2:
Line 3:
            create a queue Q
Line 4:
            enqueue (s,0) to queue
Line 5:
            add s to set V
Line 6:
            counter = 0, smallest = infinity
            while Q is not empty loop:
Line 7:
                 t = Q.dequeue()
Line 8:
Line 9:
                 If t[0] is node g
Line 10:
                       If t[1] < \text{smallest}:
Line 11:
                            counter = 1
Line 12:
                            smallest = t[1], dict[t[0]] = t[1]
                       Else if t[1] = smallest:
Line 13:
Line 14:
                            counter++
                  Else:
Line 15:
Line 16:
                       For vertex u in neighbor of t[1] loop:
Line 17:
                            If u is not in set V:
                                 add u to V
Line 18:
Line 19:
                                 add (u,t[1] + 1) to Q, and dict[u] = t[1] + 1
Line 20:
                            Else:
                                If (t[1] + 1) < dict[u]:
Line 21:
                                      dict[u] = t[1] + 1
Line 22:
Line 23:
             return counter
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Proof of correctness.

_ Direct proof:

We know that doing BSF, we can find the shallowest solutions. Even though the graph contains cycles, but we only update the dictionary when the actually path less than the dictionary value of the node. Hence, having all the shortest distance till we find the goal, we will update the smallest distance only if the distance is less than the smallest distance, if it's the same, and we increase the counter by 1. Thus, counter is the number of the current shortest distance to the goal, so return the counter is return the number of shortest distance tot he goal. Therefore, the algorithm is work to find the number of the shortest path between 2 vertices.

Running time.

$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$

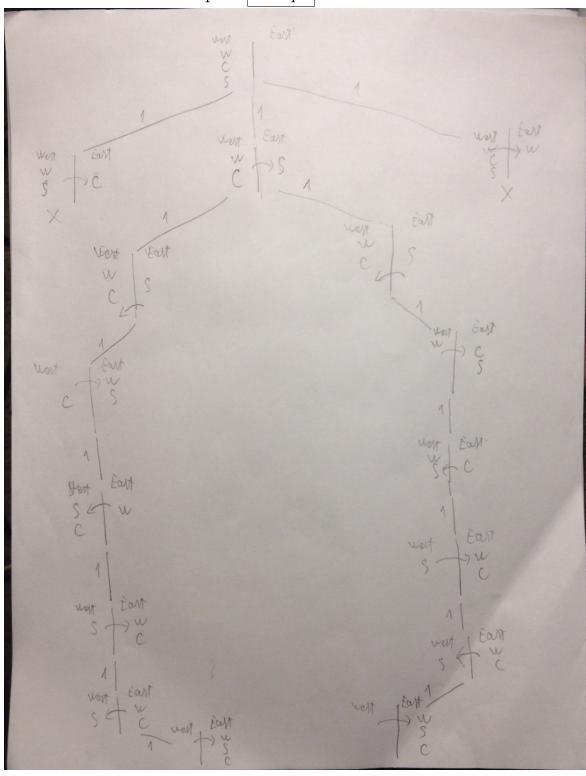
Justification of running time.

Let T(E,V) be the run time of the algorithm, with E edges and V vertices. We basically doing BFS, the things that we change is if the node is already visited, we just update the shortest cost. Therefore, the run time is

$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$

3. The farmer and the river

(a) The shortest solution require 7 steps



(b) There are two different solution (with that number of crossings)

4. Equality contrains

Main idea.

The idea is to make the graph of all equality constraints in m constraints, the edges represent the equality relationship between two variables. After having a graph, running DFS to get all the sets of vertices that are strongly connected components. Then iterate through the inequality constraints, for 2 variables in each inequality constraint, make sure that these no strongly connected components set contains both 2 variables, if so, the constrains are satisfied. If there is a set contains both 2 variables, it means that the constrains cannot be simultaneously satisfied.

Pseudocode.

Line 0: Function(m constraints):

Line 1: G = make a graph of all equality constraints in m constraints

Line 2: SCCSets= run DFS on G,get the sets of vertices that are strongly connected component

Line 3: For a and b in each pair of variables in inequality constraints in m constraints:

Line 4: For H in SSCSets:

Line 5: If (a in H) and (b in H): Output "NO" and return False

Line 6: return True

Proof of correctness.

_ Direct proof:

In the m constraints, we have equality constraints and inequality constraints. In the equality constraints, an edge in graph G represent equality relationship between 2 variables. If $v_i = v_{i+1}$ and $v_{i+1} = v_{i+1}$ means that there is an edge between v_i and v_{i+1} , and an edge between v_{i+1} and v_{i+2} . We also can see that $v_i = v_{i+2}$ since there is a path from v_i to v_{i+2} . Hence, in the inequality constraints, if there exist a path between 2 variables in equality graph, it violated the constraints. Otherwise, if no path exist between 2 variables in each inequality constraint, then all constraints are satisfied. Therefore, the algorithm does work for determined whether the constraints can be simultaneously satisfied.

Running time.

$$T(m,n) = \Theta(m+n)$$

Justification of running time.

Let T(m, n) be the run time of the algorith, with m constraints over n variables.

At line 1, create a graph will take $\Theta(m)$

At line 2, run DFS to get the sets of vertices that are strongly connected component will take $\Theta(m+n)$

In the loop from line 3 to line 5, iterate through the inequality constraints, checking if pair of variables in the sets of strongly connected component, they all takes $\Theta(m)$

Therefore, the total run time

$$T(m,n) = \Theta(m) + \Theta(m+n) + \Theta(m)$$
$$T(m,n) = \Theta(m+n)$$

5. Telephone keypad entry

Main idea. The idea is to find probability of every vertex in the graph. Reverse all the edges of the graph. Start from the sink node t, find the child node that has maximum probability among node t's children, and add it to the list of words. Then, start from the child node which has the maximum probability among node t's children, find the child node that has maximum probability among that node's children, and add it to the list of words. Keep going until it hit the source node s. Now, we have a list of words, reverse it and return the reverse list of words.

How to calculate the probability of vertex.

As the example in the homework

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P(me, S) = P(me, hive, S) + P(me, give, S)
P(me|hive)P(hive) = P(me, hive) = P(me, hive, S)
P(me|give)P(give) = P(me, give) = P(me, give, S)
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Pseudocode.

```
Line 0: words = []
Line 1: JointWords(graph G):
           dict = empty dictionary (key: vertex, values: P(vertex, s))
Line 2:
Line 3:
           For v in V in graph G:
Line 4:
                sum = 0 (this is P(v,s))
Line 5:
                for each vertex z that point to v:
Line 6:
                     sum = sum + P(z|v) \times P(z)
Line 7:
                dict[v] = sum
Line 8:
           G = reverse all the edges
Line 9:
           v = t, sink node
            While(v is not s, source node):
Line 10:
Line 11:
                 get the maximum probability in dicts of a child node in children of v and
add it to list words, and set v to that maximum probability child
Line 12:
            words = reverse(words)
            return words
Line 13:
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Proof of correctness.

_ Direct proof:

We know that after find all the probability. Reverse all the edges and find the words from the sink node t travel all the way to the source node s. Let say we start from node t, and we find a node W_k that has the maximum probability $P(t|W_k)$ among t's children. And then we do the same thing for node W_k that has the maximum probability $P(W_{k-1}|W_k)$ among W_k 's children.

Hence, we will have a collection of all the maximum probability that their product also the maximize $P(W_k|W_{k-1})\cdots P(W_3|W_2)P(W_2|W_1)P(W_1|W_0)$. At the end we just return the list of the words correspond to these maximum probability. Therefore, the algorithm is work to find The sequence of words $w1, w2, \cdots, wk$ that maximize $P(W_k|W_{k-1})\cdots P(W_3|W_2)P(W_2|W_1)P(W_1|W_0)$, out of all possible decodings consistent with the graph

Running time.

$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$

Justification of running time. Let T(E,V) be the run time of the algorithm, with E edges and V vertices.

Compute the probability for each vertex require iterate through the vertices and go through all the edges which take $\Theta(|E| + |V|)$.

Reverse all the edges take $\Theta(|E| + |V|)$.

Going backward from the sink to the source node take $\Theta(|E| + |V|)$ Therefore,

$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|) + \Theta(|E| + |V|) + \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$
$$T(E, V) = \Theta(|E| + |V|)$$