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# Fundamental Algorithms

## Lecture #10

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# Agenda

- **Maximum Flow**
- **Connected components**
- **Conclusions on graphs**
- **B trees** (definition & utilization; Operations next time)

# Maximum Flow – the method

- The simplest problem concerning flow networks
- Many real world applications
- The problem: Given  $G=(V, E)$ , directed, weighted,  $s$ =source vertex;  $t$ =target vertex, find the greatest rate at which some material can be transported from  $s$  to  $t$  without violating the capacity constraints

# Maximum Flow - formalism

- $\forall (u, v) \in E, c(u, v) \geq 0$  (capacity from  $u$  to  $v$ )
- Define the **flow**  $f: V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with properties:
  - P1 (cap constr.):  $\forall u, v \in V, f(u, v) \leq c(u, v)$
  - P2 (antisymmetry):  $\forall u, v \in V, f(u, v) = -f(v, u)$
  - P3 (conservation):  $\forall u \in V - \{s, t\}, \sum_{v \in V} f(u, v) = 0$
- Def: **Network flow**  $|f| = \sum_{v \in V} f(s, v)$  (Total flow leaving the source)
- Def: **Max flow problem** in a flow network  $G$ , find the max flow value from  $s$  to  $t$ .

# Maximum Flow - remarks

- **$f(u, u) = 0$**

P2:  $f(u, v) = -f(v, u)$

Apply to  $u, u \Rightarrow f(u, u) = -f(u, u) \Rightarrow f(u, u) = 0$

- If  **$f(u, v) \neq 0$**  then  $(u, v) \in E$  or  $(v, u) \in E$

Consequence of the previous obs.

Assume  $(u, v) \notin E \Rightarrow c(u, v) = 0$

$(v, u) \notin E \Rightarrow c(v, u) = 0$

P1  $\Rightarrow f(u, v) \leq c(u, v)$

$f(v, u) \leq c(v, u)$

$\Rightarrow f(u, v) \leq 0$  and  $f(v, u) \leq 0 \Rightarrow f(u, v) = f(v, u) = 0 !$

# Maximum Flow – the method – contd.

- A method/strategy, not an alg.
- Different implementations => different running times
- Iterative approach
- Starts with no flow (value 0) on each edge
- At each iterative step increases the flow value on an augmented path (with the max allowed val)
- Repeats the above step until no augmented path exists
- The **min-cut theorem** proves the process computes the max flow.

# Maximum Flow — additional constructs

- **Residual network**

= defines the remaining capacity after some flow passes a given edge  $(u, v) \in E$ , with  $c(u, v)$ , and  $f(u, v)$

$$c_f(u, v) = c(u, v) - f(u, v)$$

flow from  $v$  to  $u$  (even in the absence of  $v, u$  capacity)

$$\begin{aligned} c_f(v, u) &= c(v, u) - f(v, u) = \\ &= 0 - f(v, u) = \\ &= f(u, v) \text{ (P2)} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{ex. Blackboard})$$

# Maximum Flow — additional constructs

- **Augmented path**

*A simple path* from  $s$  to  $t$  on which some *residual capacity* exists

By adding the residual capacity to the flow network in  $G$ , the flow will be closer to max

Repeat until no augmented path exists completes the method



# Maximum Flow — additional constructs

- **Cut in a flow network**

def: is a partition of the  $V$  set;

$$(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{T}), \mathbf{S} \cup \mathbf{T} = \mathbf{V}, \mathbf{S} \cap \mathbf{T} = \emptyset, \mathbf{s} \in \mathbf{S}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbf{T}$$

Not:  $f(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{T})$  = network flow across the cut

$c(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{T})$  = capacity of the cut (ex: blackboard)

$$f(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{T}) = f(1, 3) + f(2, 3) + f(2, 4) = 12 + (-4) + 11 = 19$$

$$c(\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{T}) = c(1, 3) + c(2, 4) = 12 + 14 = 26$$

Obs: flow negative components (based on P2), yet capacity only positive components

# Properties of the flow network

**Lema:** Let  $f$  the flow in a flow network  $G$ ,  
and  $(S, T)$  a cut in  $G$ ,  
then  $f(S, T) = |f|$

i.e. cut flow = net flow (without proof; check textbook)

**Corollary:** the *value of any flow  $f$*  in  $G$  is  
upper bounded by the *capacity of any cut* in  
 $G$

# Max flow min cut Theorem

If  $f$  is a flow in a flow network  $G$ ,  
and  $s$  = source,  $t$  = target,  
the following conditions are equivalent:

1.  $f$  is the ***max flow*** in  $G$
2. The residual network  $G_f$  contains ***no augmented path***
3.  **$|f| = c(S, T)$  for some cut  $(S, T)$**

**Proof:**

1  $\Rightarrow$  2 contradiction

2  $\Rightarrow$  3 contradiction + Lema

3  $\Rightarrow$  1 Lema

# Ford – Fulkerson alg.

**Ford – Fulkerson ( $G, s, t$ )**

for each edge  $(u, v) \in E$

do  $f[u, v] \leftarrow 0$

$f[v, u] \leftarrow 0$

while  $\exists$  a path from  $s$  to  $t$  in the residual network  $G_f$

do  $c_f(p) = \min \{c_f(u, v) \mid (u, v) \in p\}$

for each edge  $(u, v) \in p$

do  $f[u, v] \leftarrow f[u, v] + c_f(p)$

$f[v, u] \leftarrow f[v, u] - c_f(p)$

# Ford – Fulkerson alg. analysis

- The running time depends on how the augmented path is found
- If a bad technique is used, the method does not converge
- bfs ensures polynomial running time  
=> Edmond-Karp method,  $O(V, E^2)$
- If all capacities are integers, for a random selection of the path,  $O(E |f^*|)$ , where  $|f^*| = \text{max flow}$   
 $c \in \mathbb{Q}$ , transformation could be applied to meet the above mentioned conditions

# Connected Components

- $G=(V,E)$  a directed graph
- $G$  is strongly connected
  - if  $\forall u, v \in V$  ( $u$  and  $v$  are reachable from one another)
  - $\exists \text{ path}(u,v)$  and
  - $\exists \text{ path}(v,u)$ .
- A **strongly connected component (SCC)** of  $G$  is a **maximal** set of vertices  $C \subseteq V$  such that  $C$  is strongly connected (for all  $u, v \in C$ , both  $\text{path}(u, v)$  and  $\text{path}(v, u)$  exist).

# Strongly Connected Components

SCC(G)

1. call DFS(G) to compute finishing times  $f[u]$  for all  $u$
2. compute  $G^T$
3. call DFS( $G^T$ ), considering vertices main loop in order of decreasing  $f[u]$  (as computed in first DFS)
4. output the vertices in each tree of the depth-first forest formed in second DFS as a separate SCC

# Strongly Connected Components

- **Evaluation:  $O(V+E)$** 
  - $O(V+E)$
  - $O(E)$
  - $O(V+E)$
  - $O(V)$
- **Approach**
  - second DFS in decreasing order of finishing times from first DFS, vertices are visited in topologically sorted order (see seminar #7 for topo sort)
  - running DFS on  $G^T$ , no  $v$  from a  $u$ , where  $v$  and  $u$  are in different components is visited
  - $G$  and  $G^T$  have the same SCC



# Strongly Connected Components

- **Notation:**

- d/f refer to discovery /finishing times of the dfs on G
- Let  $C \subseteq V$  a SCC of G
- $d(C) = \min \{d[u] \mid \forall u \in C\}$  //first discovered vertex in C
- $f(C) = \max \{f[u] \mid \forall u \in C\}$  //last finished vertex in C

# Strongly Connected Components

## • Lema (22.14)

Let  $C$  and  $C'$  be distinct SCC's in  $G$ . Suppose there is an edge  $(u, v) \in E$  such that  $u \in C$  and  $v \in C'$ . Then  $f(C) > f(C')$ .

## Justification:

### • if $d(C) < d(C')$

- Let  $x \in C$  s.t.  $d[x] = d(C)$  ( $x$  first discovered in  $C$ )
- At moment  $d[x]$ ,  $\forall u' \in C, \forall v' \in C', u'$  and  $v'$  are white ( $d[x]$  min among all)  $\Rightarrow \exists$  white path( $x, u'$ ) (as  $x$  and  $u$  are in the same  $C$ , and  $d[u'] > d[x]$  and  $d[x] = d(C)$ ) and white path( $x, v'$ ) (as  $d(C) < d(C')$  and  $(u, v) \in E$ )
- Existence of white path  $\Rightarrow \forall u' \in C, \forall v' \in C'$  are descendants of  $x$  in depth first tree
- Descendants + parentheses theorem  $\Rightarrow f[x] = f(C)$  hence max among all, therefore,  $f(C) > f(C')$

# Strongly Connected Components

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Let  $C$  and  $C'$  be distinct SCC's in  $G$ . Suppose there is an edge  $(u, v) \in E$  such that  $u \in C$  and  $v \in C'$ . Then  $f(C) > f(C')$ .

## Justification:

- **if  $d(C) > d(C')$**

- Let  $y \in C'$  s.t.  $d[y] = d(C')$  ( $y$  first discovered in  $C'$ )
- At moment  $d[y]$ ,  $\forall v' \in C'$ ,  $v'$  are white ( $d[y]$  min among all)  $\Rightarrow \exists$  white path( $y, v'$ ) (as  $y$  and  $v'$  are in the same  $C$ )
- $\Rightarrow f[y] = f(C')$
- At moment  $d[y]$ ,  $\forall u' \in C$ ,  $u'$  are white, and NO vertex in  $C$  is reachable from  $y$
- $\Rightarrow$  at moment  $f[y]$  all  $u' \in C$  are still white
- $\Rightarrow \forall u' \in C$   $f[u'] > f(y) \Rightarrow f(C) > f(C')$

# Strongly Connected Components

- **Corollary (22.15):**

Let  $C$  and  $C'$  be distinct SCC's in  $G = (V, E)$ . Suppose there is an edge  $(u, v) \in E^T$ , where  $u \in C$  and  $v \in C'$ . Then  $f(C) < f(C')$ .

- **Justification:**

- $(u, v) \in E^T \Rightarrow (v, u) \in E$
- $G$  and  $G^T$  have the same SCC + Lema  $\Rightarrow f(C) > f(C')$

# Strongly Connected Components

- **Correctness – just a template**
  - second DFS (on  $G^T$ ), starts with SCC  $C$  such that  $f(C)$  is maximum according to step 3 of the strategy (let  $x$  be in  $C$  so that  $d[x]=d(C)$ )
    - It visits all vertices in  $C$
    - By Corollary,  $f(C) > f(C')$   
 $\Rightarrow$  there is **no** edge  $(u,v) \in E^T$ , with  $u \in C, v \in C'$
    - Thus, dfs visits *only* vertices in  $C$
    - depth-first tree rooted at  $x$  contains only  $C$  vertices
  - second DFS (on  $G^T$ ), continues with SCC  $C'$  such that  $f(C')$  is maximum
    - dfs visits *only* vertices in  $C'$  but the only edges out of  $C'$  go to  $C$ , which were already visited.
  - Process continues the same

# Graphs – instead of conclusions

- **most complex DS**
- **Algorithm complexity in terms of both size of  $V$  and  $E$**
- **Various strategies, rather than algorithms**
- **Strategies to derive trees (with static representation) out of graphs**
- **On some graph a linear ordering can be imposed, an thus graph- $\rightarrow$  tree- $\rightarrow$  list!!!**

# B-trees

- Previous DS reside in the primary memory
- Trees on secondary storage devices (disk)
- A node may have many children
- Goal: decrease the number of pages accessed when search for a node
- Store a very large number of keys
- Maintain the height of the tree under control (h very small)

## B-trees – contd.

- **Typical pattern while working with B-trees:**

`x` ← pointer to some object

Disk-Read(`x`)

Operations that access/modify some fields of `x`

Disk-Write(`x`)

- **Once in memory, operations are performed fast**
- **Objective: as few pages read/write operations**

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## B-trees – contd.

- P1:  $n[x]$  keys in node  $x$
- P2: keys are ordered  
 $key_1[x] \leq key_2[x] \leq \dots \leq key_{n[x]}[x]$
- P3: An internal node contains  $n[x]+1$  pointers to the children  $c_i[x]$
- P4: is a search tree:  
 $key[c_1[x]] \leq key_1[x] \leq key[c_2[x]] \leq \dots$
- P5: All leaves are at the same level = height of the tree =  $h$
- P6:  $t$  = degree of the tree;  $\min(t)=2$ . Every node (except for the root) has at **least  $t-1$  keys**, and  **$t$  children**
- P7: Every node (except for the root) has at **most  $2t-1$  keys**, and  **$2t$  children**

## B-trees – contd.

- **One pass procedures (top-down ONLY, NO back up; as opposed to PBT, AVL, RB trees)**
- **For ALL operations, the process is JUST top->down!!!**
- **Search**
  - **Straightforward generalization of BST search**
  - **Combined with ordered list search**
  - **#pages accessed (worst)  $O(h)$**
  - **Access time in a page (worst)  $O(t)$**
  - **Overall  $O(th)$**

## B-trees – contd.

- **One pass procedures (top-down ONLY, NO back up rebalance; as opposed to PBT, AVL, RB trees)**
- **Insert**
  - Search for a LEAF position to insert
  - Insertion is performed in an EXISTING leaf
  - Along the path while searching (top-down), ensure there is space for a safe insert (*split full nodes on the path down to avoid overflowing, so that the insertion is successful in an existing node!!!*)
  - A key added to a full leaf will induce the *migration of the median key to the parent node*, and the split of the given leaf into 2 leaves
  - $O(h)$  disk accesses,  $O(t)$  CPU time in one page =>  
 **$O(th)$**

# B-trees – contd.

- One pass procedures (top-down, NO back up; as opposed to AVL, RB trees)
- Delete
  - Search for the node to contain the key to be removed and identify its type (leaf/no leaf – all nodes are either internal, or leaves; the tree is complete) (z from BST)
  - Physical *removal* of one object which *belongs to a leaf* (y in BST)
  - Along the path while searching (top-down), ensure the constraints for a safe delete are met (*merge nodes with degree t* on the path down to avoid underflowing, so that the deletion is possible)
  - $O(h)$  disk accesses  $O(t)$  CPU time in one page =>  
 **$O(th)$**

# B Trees - insert

- Like in any BST tree insert in a leaf (in a leaf, NOT as leaf)
- Stages:
  - Search the path for the position (leaf) to insert
  - Ensure the search path is safe
  - Insert the key in the corresponding leaf
- Types of nodes to store a key:
  - Leaf (key to be inserted )
  - Non-leaf (the “safe path” step = in the attempt to make room = in the split stage with median migration up)
- Possible issues
  - Attempt to store in a full node, with  $(2t-1)$  keys – issue – **node overflows! Not allowed.**
- Cases to analyze
  - Not overflowing node – no issue
  - Overflowing node – issue – needs a strategy to handle it

# B Trees -insert

- **Strategy**

- Along the searched path, **ANY** full node along the path (with already  $(2t-1)$  keys) is “fixed” (allowing for a potential full node to accept a new key to be added):
  - Divide the full node in 2 nodes with  $(t-1)$  keys
  - The median key in the full node is promoted to the parent node (there *is room*, as we proceed top-down, and an upper node was “fixed”, is not overflowing)
  - if *root is full*, increase the height (by adding 1 more node = new root); the **ONLY** case of *height increase*.

- **Insert procedure**

- Top-down approach (descendent)
- There is **NO** operation performed on return (bottom up)

# B Trees – delete

- **Like in ANY other BST tree**

- Search for the key to remove (pointed by **z**)
- If in leaf, delete it
- If not in the leaf, remove (physically) a node (pointed by **y**; its content is moved in the node pointed by **z**) **with one-single child** (pointed by **x**) - the predecessor/successor – (in B-trees **y** is in a leaf, hence **x** points to nil)

- **Types of nodes containing the key to be deleted**

- Leaf
- Non-leaf (i.e. internal)

Node type	Capacity
Leaf	Does not underflow
Non-leaf	Underflows

- **Possible issues**

- Attempt to delete from a node with only  $(t-1)$  keys – issue – **node underflows! Not allowed**

- **Cases to analyze**

# B Trees – delete

- **Cases to analyze**

**Issue: attempt to delete from a node with only  $(t-1)$  keys – node underflows! Not allowed**

- **Solution**

Node type	Capacity
Leaf	Does not underflow
Non-leaf	Underflows

- Similar strategy as in case of insert: **prevent, rather than repair**
- In the search stage (for the key to delete), ensures that **each** node (along the searched path) has the ability to allow for delete (does not underflow)
- Along the searched path, any node with only  $(t-1)$  keys is “fixed”
  - If any of the sibling nodes has at least  $t$  keys, “borrow” a key from it (promote the last/first key from the left/right brother node to the parent node, and move down the appropriate key from parent to the almost underflowing node). (see examples for case 3.1 – next slide)
  - If both sibling neighbors have only  $(t-1)$  keys, merge the underflowing node with one of the 2 siblings, and put the key from the parent node in between them in the new generated (by merge) node. (see examples for case 3.2.1 next slide). Maybe a height shrink occurs (see examples for case 3.2.2 next slide).
- **Delete procedure**
  - Top-down approach (descendent)
  - There is no operation performed on return (bottom up)



# B Trees –delete contd.

Node type	Capacity
Leaf	Does not underflow
Non-leaf	Underflows

- **Cases** – only 3 to be considered (not 4): non-leaf/underflow is not considered (since along the path, the underflow situation is solved, anyway).
- **Cases: (follow the examples – blackboard)**
  - **Case1 – key in leaf, node does not underflow**
    - Simply delete the key
  - **Case2 – key not in leaf, node does not underflow**
    - Remove pred/succ (from a leaf for a BT) like in BST. The case reduces to case 1 or 3.
  - **Case3 – key in leaf, node underflows**
    - **3.1 sibling consistent (at least one sibling neighbor has at least  $t$  keys) sol: “borrow” from sibling**
      - Promote the last/first key in consistent neighbor to parent
      - Move down the key in parent node in between the leaf and consistent sibling to the underflowing leaf
    - **3.2 neighbor siblings both with just  $(t-1)$  keys**
      - Merge the underflowing leaf with one sibling neighbor by adding in the middle the key in the parent in between the leaf and sibling
        - 3.2.1 keep the height of the tree
        - 3.2.2 *decrease the height* of the tree (if the *parent* is the *root* and has just one single key)