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Assignment 1

1. Kleinberg and Tardos p. 109 #8

Proof by contradiction:

Assume to the contrary that there exists a positive natural number c so that for all connected graphs G , it is the case that $\text{diam}(G)/\text{apd}(G) > c$

We have that $\text{diam}(G) = \max\{\text{dist}(u, v) : u, v \in V\}$ and $\text{apd}(G) \leq \max\{\text{dist}(u, v) : u, v \in V\} = \text{diam}(G)$.

Since we've known that $\text{diam}(G) \neq \text{apd}(G)$, $\text{diam}(G)/\text{apd}(G) \neq 1$.

We got that $(\text{diam}(G))/(\text{apd}(G)) > 1$ which $c = 1$. Which contradict the problem given which is $\text{diam}(G)/\text{apd}(G) \leq c$.

We now proved that the statement is false.

2. Kleinberg and Tardos p. 110 #10

a. Solution:

To solve this problem, we need to compute the number of shortest paths from v to w .

First, we can perform a BFS from v , the algorithm designed:

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BFS(u)
  Set Discovered[u] = true and Discovered[v] = false for the node we need to find
  Set the number of shortest path n = 0
  Initialize L[0] to consist of the single element u
  Set the layer counter i = 0;

  While L[i] is not empty
    for each node u is in L[i]
      if Discovered[v] = false then
        i+1
      else if Discovered[v] = true
        n = count L[i-1]
      endif
    end for
    i++
  end while
  return n
```

From his algorithm, we got that for each node v in L_1 , the complexity is 1, and for the at most the degree of L_n , we have the sum of the degrees in the $O(m)$, so the overall running time complexity is $O(n+m)$.

b. For all $n = 3q+1$ where q is a positive integer, there exists a graph with n vertices and two named vertices, u and v , that has $2^{(n-1)/3}$ shortest paths from u to v .

Direct Prove:

If we want to have multiple shortest paths from u to v in a graph G , G at least has 4 vertices which contains u and v , and it has at least 4 edges, and the shortest paths has 2.

We assume p is the number of shortest paths, so we have known $n = 3q+1$, $p = 2^{n-1/3}$ and q is the positive integer. We got $n \geq 4$ and $p \geq 2$.

Then using induction to prove.

Basic case: $q = 1$, then $n = 4$, $p = 2$, that shows the statement is true.

Inductive step: $q_1 = q+1 = 2$. Then $n_1 = n+3 = 7$, and $p_1 = 4$ which is also true.

To conclude, we got the statement is true.

3. In a directed graph $G = (V, E)$, a vertex v is called middle if and only if for every vertex x in V either there exists a directed path from v to x , or there exists a directed path from x to v .
 - a. Given a Directed acyclic graph G and a vertex u in V , provide an $O(|V|+|E|)$ time algorithm for determining whether or not vertex u is middle in G .

Determine Algorithm for (a)

```
Set edge(u,v) = false
    //(which v is the node in the loop, and u is the given node)

For each node v in the G
    if u != v && (edge(u,v) == false || edge (v,u) == false)
        return false
    endif
Endfor
return true
```

Explanations: The $\text{edge}(u,v)$ function is using to determine u and v has edge. The algorithm provides $O(|V|+|E|)$

- b. Given an acyclic directed graph $G = (V, E)$ provide an $O(|V|+|E|)$ time algorithm for computing all the middle vertices of G .

Algorithm for (b)

edge(u, v) is the function to determine if u and v has edge

```
i = 0
j = 0
for(vi in G)
    if edge (vi, vj) || edge (vj, vi) || i == j
        if (vj is last vertex of G)
            return i
        i++
    endif
    j++
else
    i++
endif
endfor
```

This algorithm is using a for-loop to control the vertex, to compare if v_i and v_j have edge or not. The max complexity is $O(|V|+|E|)$, since we only need to know if the vertex v does have edges with all other vertices, if it does, it must be a middle point, skip it otherwise. Since we the graph is a DAG, so we need determine which edge(u, v) or edge (v, u).

- c. Given a general directed graph $G = (V, E)$ provide an $O(|V|+|E|)$ time algorithm for computing all the middle vertices of G .

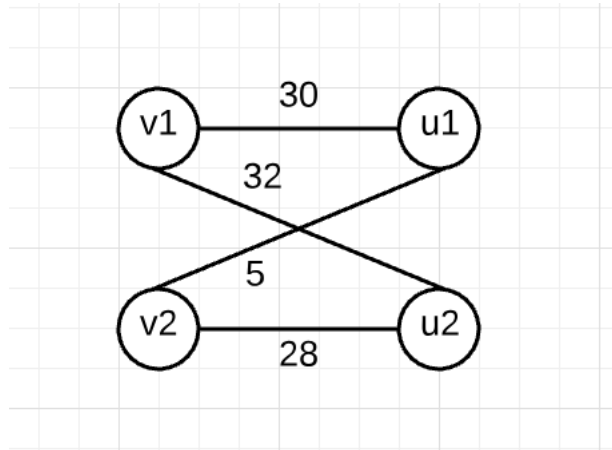
Algorithm for (c)

edge(u, v) is the function to determine if u and v has edge

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    if edge (vi, vj) || edge (vj, vi) || i == j
        if (vj is last vertex of G)
            return i
        i++
    endif
    j++
else
    i++
endif
endfor
```

This algorithm is similar like (b), it is using a for-loop to control the vertex, to determine if they have edges or not. Time complexity is $O(|E| + |V|)$

4. Let $G = (V \cup U, E)$ be a bipartite graph such that each edge $e \in E$ has an associated weight $w(e)$. A matching for G is a subset $M \subseteq E$ such that no two edges in M share a common vertex. The weight of M is $w(M) = \sum_{e \in M} w(e)$. A greedy algorithm for bipartite matching could start with an empty matching M , and then repeatedly add the largest weight edge that does not share a vertex with an edge already included in M .
- a. Given an example edge weighted bipartite graph for which the above greedy algorithm will fail to find the maximum weight matching



Explain: $w(v1, u1) = 30$, $w(v1, u2) = 32$, $w(v2, u1) = 5$, $w(v2, u2) = 28$
 In the situation above will make the greedy algorithm fail to find the maximum weight matching

When the greedy algorithm starts at $w(v1, u2) = 32$, then $w(v2, u1) = 5$,
 We got the maximum weight from greedy = 37.

However, the best match should be $w(v1, u1) = 30$, $w(v2, u2) = 28$.
 The max weight = $30 + 28 = 58$.

- b. For bipartite graphs in which all the edge weights are distance and each is power of w , prove that the above greedy algorithm always produces the maximum weight match.
- Inductive Proof : Since the edge weights are distinct and each is a power of 2, and the greedy algorithm repeatedly add the largest weight edge.

Basic case: We assume there has 4 vertices in the graph, the largest weight edge is 2^n , and all other weight edge power $i < n$.
 We know that $2^n + 2^1 > 2^{(n-1)} + 2^{(n-2)}$.

Inductive step: we add one more vertex and the largest weight edge is $2^{(n+1)}$, then we found that $2^{(n+1)} + 2^1 + 2^2 > 2^n + 2^{(n-1)} + 2^{(n-2)}$.

To conclude, we can get that the greedy algorithm picked the largest one.