

Dijkstra with min-heaps

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Dijkstra's algorithm, min heaps

Given: directed graph $G = (V, E)$, non-negative wt.

We on each edge $e \in E$, a source vertex s

Problem: Find a min-wt. path from s to all other vertices

(in class, will focus on finding wt. of min-wt. path;
external algo to actually finding the path by yourself)

v_3 : min wt. $s \rightarrow v_3$
wt.: 2

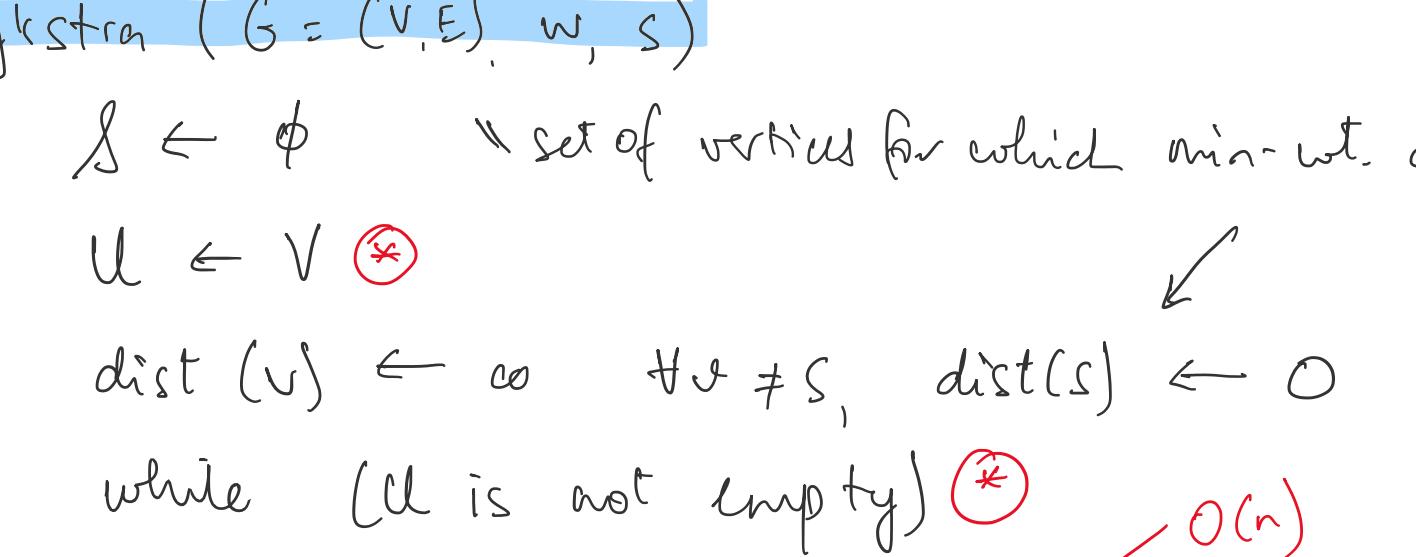
v_1 : min wt. $s \rightarrow v_3 \rightarrow v_1$
wt.: 9

to represent a graph: ① adjacency matrix ($|V| \times |V|$ matrix)
② adjacency list

① is fine for dense graphs where # edges is $\Omega(n^2)$

② is better for sparse graphs where $|E|$ is $O(n)$

For Dijkstra's algo:



Say this is min-wt. $s \rightarrow v_5$ path.

Then this is also min-wt. path for every wt. x . in the path

Note this path has 5 edges. Hence this is also the min-wt. $s \rightarrow v_5$ path that has ≤ 5 edges

-- similarly this path is also the min-wt. $s \rightarrow v_4$ path that has ≤ 4 edges

Let's say $\text{dist}_k(v)$ is the wt. of the min-wt. $s \rightarrow v$ path that has $\leq k$ edges

Assume we know $\text{dist}_{k-1}(v) \forall v \in V$

Then $\text{dist}_k(v) = \min_{e=(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{dist}_{k-1}(u) + w_e, \text{dist}_{k-1}(v) \}$

Algo:

$\forall v \neq s \quad \text{dist}_0(v) = \min_{(s,v) \in E} w_{sv}, \quad \text{dist}_0(s) = 0$

For $k = 2 \dots n-1$ \Rightarrow where $n = |V|$

For all $v \neq s$

$\text{dist}_k(v) = \min_{e=(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{dist}_{k-1}(u) + w_e, \text{dist}_{k-1}(v) \}$

$\text{dist}_k(v) \leftarrow \text{dist}_{k-1}(v)$

Running Time: naively $n \times |V| \times n = O(n^3)$

Claim: For every $k = 2 \dots n-1$, let \hat{v} be the vtx. that minimizes $\text{dist}_k(v)$. Then $\text{dist}_k(\hat{v}) = \text{dist}_{k+1}(\hat{v}) = \dots = \text{dist}_n(\hat{v}) = \text{dist}(\hat{v})$

Using this & some other properties, we get Dijkstra's algorithm:

Dijkstra ($G = (V, E), w, s$)

$\emptyset \leftarrow \emptyset$ // set of vertices for which min-wt. distance known
 $U \leftarrow V \setminus \emptyset$ \leftarrow
 $\text{dist}(v) \leftarrow \infty \quad \forall v \neq s, \quad \text{dist}(s) \leftarrow 0$

while (U is not empty) \circlearrowleft $O(n)$

① $U \leftarrow \arg \min_{v \in U} \text{dist}(v)$ Relax(e)

② $\forall e = (u, v) \in E, \quad \text{dist}(v) = \min \{ \text{dist}(v), \text{dist}(u) + w_e \}$

$\emptyset \leftarrow \emptyset \cup \{ u \}, \quad U \leftarrow U \setminus \{ u \}$ $\checkmark O(1)$

$\emptyset \leftarrow \emptyset, \quad U \leftarrow V, \quad \text{dist}(s) = 0 \quad \text{dist}(v) = \infty \quad \forall v \neq s$

$\emptyset \leftarrow \{ s, v_3, v_5, v_4, v_1, v_2 \}$

Need to store: $U, \text{dist}(v)$ for all $v \in V$ (but will update it for all $v \in U$)

For data structure, need to be able to:

① obtain vtx. w/ min. distance in U

② given a vtx. $v \in U$, decrease distance of v

③ remove vtx. from U

Idea 1:

Can use an array, each cell of the array has a vtx. & $\text{dist}(v)$, extra bit set to 1 if $v \in U$, 0 o.w.

① $O(n)$

② $O(1)$ (assume that gives a pointer to the vertex in the data structure)

③ $O(m)$

With this data structure algo takes time $O(n^2 + m)$, where $m = |E|$.

Idea 2: Use a min-heap

A data-structure which is an almost complete binary tree, where for every vertex v , value at $v \leq$ value at either of its children

ACB tree: Binary of height h where:

① Tree is complete until height $h-1$

② If vtx. v at ht. h is missing a child then:

a. either v is missing both children or just the right child

b. all vertices to the right of v at the same level have no children

ACB tree can be stored as an array of size 2^h where children of vtx. at cell i are in cells $2i, 2i+1$

& for a vtx. at cell i , parent is at $[i/2]$

Now will implement a min-heap to support the above 2 operations.

① initialize(V): this creates an array U of size $|V|$ with each entry as (dist of vtx. at that entry)

② extract-min(U): return min value in U & also remove this entry from U

curr-elt $\leftarrow U[1]$ // # elements stored in U

$U[1].val \leftarrow \infty$ // we assume $K \leq$ current value at $U[1]$

while ($i > 1$ & $U[i].val < U[1/2].val$)

curr-elt $\leftarrow U[i]$

$U[i] \leftarrow U[1/2]$

$U[1/2] \leftarrow curr\text{-elt}$

$i \leftarrow 1/2$

else break

}

return min-val

}

decrease-key(U, i, k):

$t \leftarrow U.size$ // # elts. stored in U

$U[i].val \leftarrow k$ // we assume $K \leq$ current value at $U[i]$

while ($i > 1$ & $U[i].val < U[1/2].val$)

curr-elt $\leftarrow U[i]$

$U[i] \leftarrow U[1/2]$

$U[1/2] \leftarrow curr\text{-elt}$

$i \leftarrow 1/2$

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- What is running time of above algorithms?

- prove to yourself that the above algorithms work correctly.