

Distributed Shortest Path

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Lecture 12

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Recap: Scheduling Distributed Algorithms

$\mathcal{A}_1, \dots, \mathcal{A}_\ell \rightarrow$ algs to run in parallel.

dilation: max run time of $\mathcal{A}_i$'s

$d \leftarrow$ congestion: $\forall e \quad c_i(e) = \# \text{msgs } \mathcal{A}_i \text{ sends through } e.$

$c \leftarrow$

$$c(e) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} c_i(e)$$

$$\text{cong} = \max_e c(e)$$

Gaffari 2015: LB: $\Omega(c + d \frac{\log n}{\log \log n})$

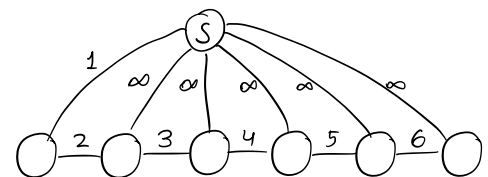
UB: $\tilde{O}(c + d) \rightarrow$ Note that this does not depend on the diameter!

Input: n -vertex weighted graph $G = (V, E, w)$

all weights are unique positive integers in $[1, \text{Poly}(n)]$

Source Vertex s .

Output: each u should hold $d(s, u)$



LB: $\Omega(D + \sqrt{n})$
 $\hookrightarrow D + n^{2/3}$ (Today's Alg)

Def: h -hop path: path with h -edges.

h -hop distance: shortest h -hop u - v path

$\mathcal{P}^h(u, v) =$ collection of all u - v paths with $\leq h$ edges.

$$d^h(u, v) = \min \{ w(P), P \in \mathcal{P}^h(u, v) \}$$

SPD = min h s.t.

$$d^h(u, v) = d(u, v) \quad \forall u, v$$

Lemma: There is an algorithm for computing SSSP in $O(\text{SPD})$ time.

Distributed Bellman-Ford

$$\delta(v) = \infty, \text{ for } v \neq s$$

$$\delta(s) = 0$$

- s sends $\delta(s)$ to its neighbors

- for SPD rounds:

Every vertex u , upon receiving $\delta(v)$, $v \in N(u)$:

$$\text{If } \delta(u) > \delta(v) + w(u, v)$$

$$\text{- } \delta(u) = \delta(v) + w(u, v)$$

- sends $\delta(u)$ to neighbors.

Denote $\delta_h(v)$: v 's estimate after h rounds.

Claim: After h rounds, $\delta_h(v) = d^h(s, v)$

$$\Rightarrow \text{for } h = \text{SPD}, \quad \delta_h(v) = d^{\text{SPD}}(s, v) = d(s, v)$$



Cor: h -hop distances
after h -rounds

Proof: By induction on h .

Assume the claim holds upto h and show for $h+1$.

Fix v .

Fix $h+1$ path P s.t. $w(P) = d^{h+1}(s, v)$

By ind: $\delta_h(u) = d^h(s, u) = w(P[s, u])$

$$\delta_{h+1}(v) = \delta_h(u) + w(u, v) = d^{h+1}(s, v).$$



Theorem [Nanogkai 2014]:

Given n -vertex weighted graph, $s \in V$ and $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ there is an alg for computing

$(1+\epsilon)$ approx SSSP in $\tilde{O}(D + \frac{n^{2/3}}{\epsilon})$ rounds.

Two Limitations of Dist. BF

1) runs in SPD time which might be linear.

[adding edges to the graph to reduce SPD]

2) h-hop BF alg has large congestion.

[light alg for comp. $(1+\epsilon)$ -approx.
of h-hop distance]



Key Lemma: [light comp. of h-hop distances] light: sending $\tilde{O}(1)$ msgs through each edge.

Given n -vertex graph G , $s \in V$, h hop bound, $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$

there is a light alg that computes $(1+\epsilon)$ -approx. h -hop $s \times V$ distances within $O(\frac{n}{\epsilon})$ rounds.

Output: $d^h(s, u) \leq \delta_h(u) \leq (1+\epsilon)d^h(s, u)$

Cor: Given $S \subseteq V$, compute $(1+\epsilon)$ approx h -hop $S \times V$ distances in $\tilde{O}(|S| + \frac{n}{\epsilon})$ rounds.

↳ By Scheduling Lemma + Key Lemma.

SSSP alg in $\tilde{O}(D + n^{2/3})$ rounds

Set $h = n^{2/3}$

Step 1: Sample $O(n^{1/3} \log n)$ sources S' .

$$S = S' \cup \{s\}$$

Apply key lemma to compute $(1+\epsilon)$ -approx h -hop $S \times V$ distances.

↳ Output: $\delta_h(s', u) \forall s' \in S$.

Step 2: Every $s' \in S$, broadcast $\{\delta_h(s', s''), \forall s'' \in S\}$

Step 3: Every vertex v locally computes a graph $G_v = (S \cup \{v\}, E_v)$, $w(x, y) = \delta_h(x, y)$
 $\forall x, y \in S \cup \{v\}$

Run Dijkstra in G_v and outputs $d(s, v, G_v)$

Round Complexity:

Step 1: h -hop $S \times V$:

$$\tilde{O}(|S| + \frac{h}{\epsilon}) = \tilde{O}(n^{1/3} + \frac{n^{2/3}}{\epsilon})$$

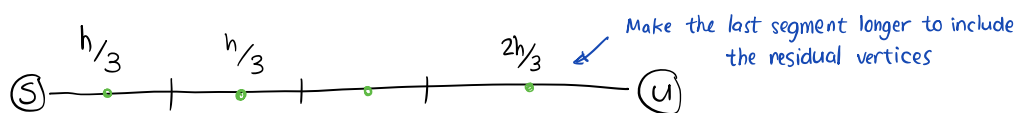
$$O(D + |S|) = \tilde{O}(n^{1/3} + D)$$

Step 2: $O(|S|^2 + D) = \tilde{O}(n^{2/3} + D)$

Correctness:

Case 1: $d^h(s, u) = d(s, u)$ $\checkmark$

Case 2: $d^h(s, u) > d(s, u)$ s - u shortest path P



- Partition P into segments $\sim \frac{h}{3}$ hops.

- w.h.p. each segment P_i intersects with S , let's call it b_i .

$$d^h(b_i, b_{i+1}) = d(b_i, b_{i+1})$$

After Step 1+2

$$b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k = u \quad \text{s.t.} \quad d^h(b_i, b_{i+1}) = d(b_i, b_{i+1})$$

$$w(b_i, b_{i+1}) \leq (1+\epsilon) d^h(b_i, b_{i+1})$$

$\hookrightarrow$ weight of the edge (b_i, b_{i+1}) in G_u .

$$d(s, u, G_u) \leq \sum_{i=1}^k w(b_i, b_{i+1}) = (1+\epsilon) d(s, u)$$

Graph-theoretic Objective:

(h, ϵ) -hopset of a graph G is a small collection of edges $H \subseteq V \times V$, s.t.:

$$d(u, v, G) \leq d^h(u, v, G \cup H) \leq (1+\epsilon) d(u, v, G)$$

Observation: Every n -vertex graph admits an exact hopset H with $|H| = \tilde{O}(n)$ and $h = O(\sqrt{n})$.

$\rightarrow$ S sample of $\tilde{O}(\sqrt{n})$ sources. Add weighted edges $S \times S$.



Proof of the Key Lemma (Light computation of approx h-hop distances)

Intuition: want to compute $d(s,t)$, and we know that W, h :

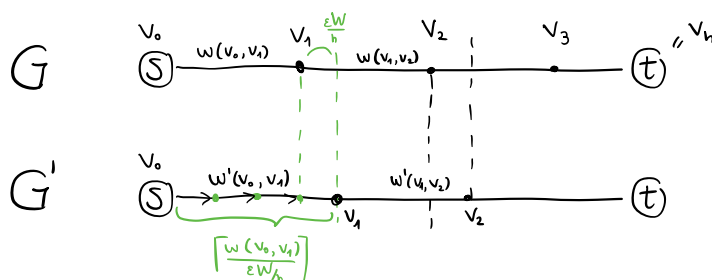
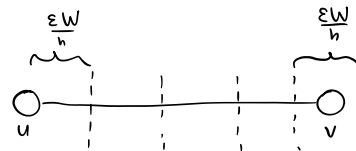
$$1) d^h(s,t) = d(s,t)$$

$$2) W \leq d(s,t) \leq 2W \rightarrow W \text{ is a const. we will need to guess.}$$

"Round" each $w(u,v)$ up to some multiple of $\frac{\epsilon W}{h}$

$$w'(u,v) = \left\lceil \frac{w(u,v)}{\frac{\epsilon W}{h}} \right\rceil \cdot \frac{\epsilon W}{h}$$

$$\hookrightarrow w(u,v) \leq w'(u,v) \leq w(u,v) + \frac{\epsilon W}{h}$$



$$\text{Total Error: } \frac{\epsilon W}{h} \cdot h = \epsilon d(s,t)$$

$$\# \text{ rounds: } \frac{d(s,t)}{\frac{\epsilon W}{h}} \leq \frac{2W}{\frac{\epsilon W}{h}} \leq \frac{2h}{\epsilon}$$

Algorithm

Subalgorithms $A_1, \dots, A_t$. A_i guesses $W = 2^i$, $i \in (0, \log n W_{\max})$

Alg $A_i(s, 2^i, h)$:

$$1) w_i(u,v) = \left\lceil \frac{w(u,v)}{\frac{\epsilon W}{h}} \right\rceil \cdot \frac{\epsilon W}{h}, \quad \forall (u,v) \in E$$

2) Run "BFS-like" alg. for $O(\frac{h}{\epsilon})$ rounds.

3) Set $\delta_i^h(u)$ to be the output distance.

Final Output: $\delta_h(u) = \min_i \delta_i^h(u)$

Claim: $\delta_i^h(u) \geq d(s, u)$

Proof: $w_i(u, v) \geq w(u, v)$

Fix u , let i be s.t. $2^{i \stackrel{w}{\leq}} d(s, u) \leq 2^{i+1}$

Show: $\delta_i^h(u) \leq (1+\epsilon) d^n(s, u)$



Total Error: $\frac{\epsilon W}{h} \cdot h$

$$\frac{d^h(s, t)}{\epsilon W_h} = O\left(\frac{n}{\epsilon}\right)$$