

Advanced Graph Algorithms (Based on [Manber 1989])

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Biconnected Components



- An undirected graph is *biconnected* if there are at least two vertex-disjoint paths from every vertex to every other vertex.
- A graph is not biconnected if and only if there is a vertex whose removal disconnects the graph. Such a vertex is called an articulation point.
- A biconnected component is a maximal subset of the edges such that its induced subgraph is biconnected (namely, there is no other subset that contains it and induces a biconnected graph).

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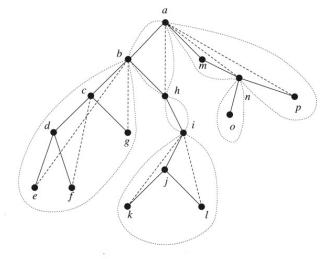


Figure 7.25 The structure of a nonbiconnected graph.

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Lemma (7.9)

Two distinct edges e and f belong to the same biconnected component if and only if there is a cycle containing both of them.

Lemma (7.10)

Each edge belongs to exactly one biconnected component.

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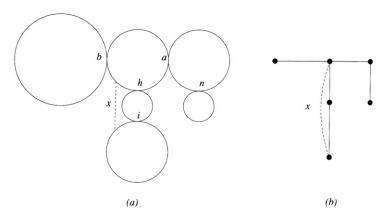


Figure 7.26 An edge that connects two different biconnected components. (a) The components corresponding to the graph of Fig. 7.25 with the articulation points indicated. (b) The biconnected component tree.

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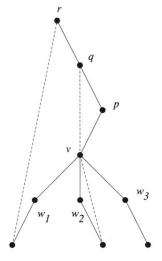


Figure 7.27 Computing the High values.

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Algorithm Biconnected_Components(G, v, n); begin

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for every vertex w do w.DFS_Number := 0;

DFS_N := n;

BC(v)
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end

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procedure BC(v);
begin
    v.DFS_Number := DFS_N;
    DFS_N := DFS_N - 1;
    insert v into Stack;
    v.high := v.DFS_Number;
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for all edges (v, w) do
  insert (v, w) into Stack;
  if w is not the parent of v then
     if w DES Number = 0 then
        BC(w);
        if w.high < v.DFS_Number then
           remove all edges and vertices
              from Stack until v is reached;
           insert v back into Stack:
        v.high := max(v.high, w.high)
     else
        v.high := \max(v.high, w.DFS_Number)
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end

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Biconnected Components (cont.) procedure BC(v); begin $v.DFS_Number := DFS_N:$ $DFS_N := DFS_N - 1$: $v.high := v.DFS_Number;$ for all edges (v, w) do if w is not the parent of v then insert (v, w) into *Stack*; if w.DES Number = 0 then BC(w);**if** w.high < v.DFS_Number **then** remove all edges from Stack until (v, w) is reached; v.high := max(v.high, w.high)else $v.high := max(v.high, w.DFS_Number)$

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Figure 7.29 An example of computing High values and biconnected components.

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Even-Length Cycles



Problem

Given a connected undirected graph G = (V, E), determine whether it contains a cycle of even length.

Theorem

Every biconnected graph that has more than one edge and is not merely an odd-length cycle contains an even-length cycle.

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Even-Length Cycles (cont.)



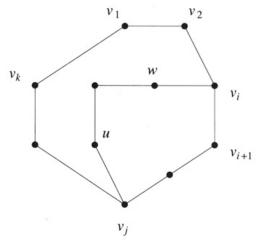


Figure 7.35 Finding an even-length cycle.

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Strongly Connected Components



- A directed graph is strongly connected if there is a directed path from every vertex to every other vertex.
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Lemma (7.11)

Two distinct vertices belong to the same strongly connected component if and only if there is a circuit containing both of them.

Lemma (7.12)

Each vertex belongs to exactly one strongly connected component.

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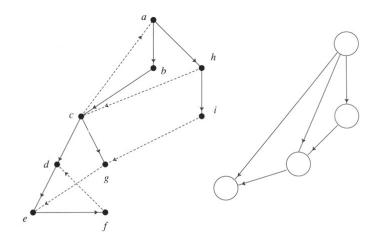


Figure 7.30 A directed graph and its strongly connected component graph.

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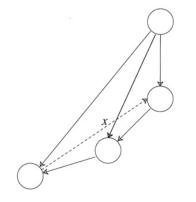


Figure 7.31 Adding an edge connecting two different strongly connected components.

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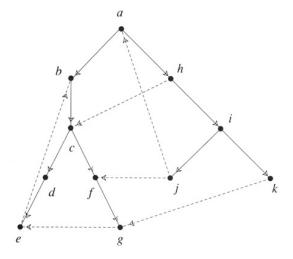


Figure 7.32 The effect of cross edges.

Source: [Manber 1989]. Yih-Kuen Tsay (IM.NTU)

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Algorithm Strongly_Connected_Components(*G*, *n*); begin

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for every vertex v of G do
    v.DFS_Number := 0;
    v.component := 0;
Current_Component := 0; DFS_N := n;
while v.DFS_Number = 0 for some v do
    SCC(v)
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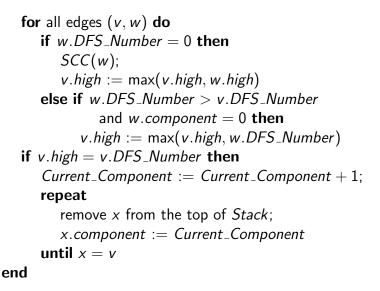
end

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procedure SCC(v);
begin
    v.DFS_Number := DFS_N;
    DFS_N := DFS_N - 1;
    insert v into Stack;
    v.high := v.DFS_Number;
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Odd-Length Cycles



Problem

Given a directed graph G = (V, E), determine whether it contains a (directed) cycle of odd length.

- A cycle must reside completely within a strongly connected component (SCC), so we exam each SCC separately.
- Mark the nodes of an SCC with "even" or "odd" using DFS.
- If we have to mark a node that is already marked in the opposite, then we have found an odd-length cycle.

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- Solution Consider a directed graph, or network, G = (V, E) with two distinguished vertices: s (the source) with indegree 0 and t (the sink) with outdegree 0.
- Each edge e in E has an associated positive weight c(e), called the capacity of e.

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• A **flow** is a function *f* on *E* that satisfies the following two conditions:

1.
$$0 \le f(e) \le c(e)$$
.
2. $\sum_{u} f(u, v) = \sum_{w} f(v, w)$, for all $v \in V - \{s, t\}$.

The network flow problem is to maximize the flow f for a given network G.

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Network Flows (cont.)



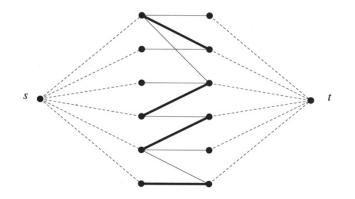


Figure 7.39 Reducing bipartite matching to network flow (the directions of all the edges are from left to right).

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Augmenting Paths



- An augmenting path w.r.t. a given flow f (of a network G) is a directed path from s to t consisting of edges from G, but not necessarily in the same direction; each of these edges (v, u) satisfies exactly one of:
 - 1. (v, u) is in the same direction as it is in G, and f(v, u) < c(v, u). (forward edge)
 - 2. (v, u) is in the opposite direction in G (namely, $(u, v) \in E$), and f(u, v) > 0. (backward edge)
- If there exists an augmenting path w.r.t. a flow f (f admits an augmenting path), then f is not maximum.

Augmenting Paths (cont.)



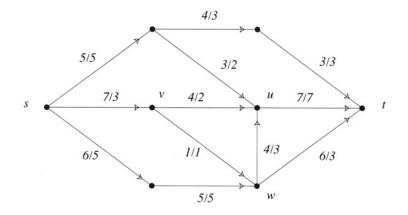


Figure 7.40 An example of a network with a (nonmaximum) flow.

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Augmenting Paths (cont.)



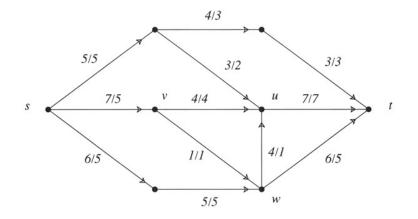


Figure 7.41 The result of augmenting the flow of Fig. 7.40.

Source: [Manber 1989].

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Properties of Network Flows



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Theorem (Augmenting-Path)

A flow f is maximum if and only if it admits no augmenting path.

A *cut* is a set of edges that separate s from t, or more precisely a set of the form $\{(v, w) \in E \mid v \in A \text{ and } w \in B\}$, where B = V - A such that $s \in A$ and $t \in B$.

Theorem (Max-Flow Min-Cut)

The value of a maximum flow in a network is equal to the minimum capacity of a cut.

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Properties of Network Flows (cont.)



Theorem (Integral-Flow)

If the capacities of all edges in the network are integers, then there is a maximum flow whose value is an integer.

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Residual Graphs



- The residual graph with respect to a network G = (V, E) and a flow f is the network R = (V, F), where F consists of all forward and backward edges and their capacities are given as follows:
 - 1. $c_R(v, w) = c(v, w) f(v, w)$ if (v, w) is a forward edge and 2. $c_R(v, w) = f(w, v)$ if (v, w) is a backward edge.
- An augmenting path is thus a regular directed path from s to t in the residual graph.

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Residual Graphs (cont.)



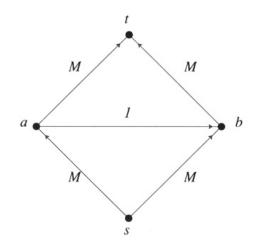


Figure 7.42 A bad example of network flow.

Source: [Manber 1989].

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