# Algorithms 2017: Advanced Graph Algorithms

(Based on [Manber 1989])

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# 1 Biconnected Components

#### **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).

#### Biconnected Components (cont.)

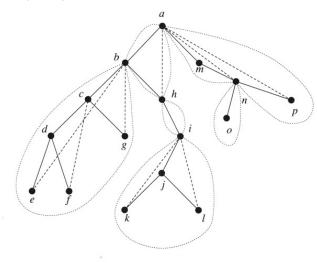


Figure 7.25 The structure of a nonbiconnected graph.

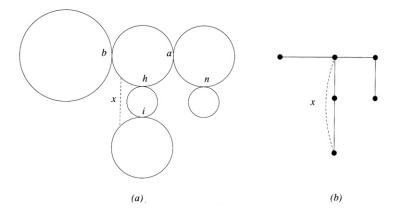
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#### Biconnected Components (cont.)

**Lemma 1** (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 2** (7.10). Each edge belongs to exactly one biconnected component.

## Biconnected Components (cont.)



**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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## Biconnected Components (cont.)

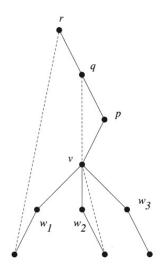


Figure 7.27 Computing the High values.

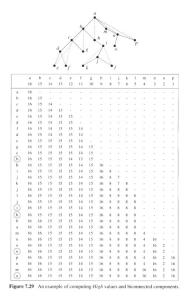
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#### Biconnected Components (cont.)

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\label{eq:algorithm} \begin{split} \textbf{Algorithm Biconnected\_Components}(G,v,n); \\ \textbf{begin} \\ \textbf{for every vertex } w \textbf{ do } w.DFS\_Number := 0; \\ DFS\_N := n; \\ BC(v) \\ \textbf{end} \end{split}
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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;
Biconnected Components (cont.)
   for all edges (v, w) do
     insert (v, w) into Stack;
     if w is not the parent of v then
        if w.DFS\_Number = 0 then
           BC(w);
           if w.high \leq 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)
end
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.DFS\_Number = 0 then
           BC(w);
           if w.high \leq 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)
end
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#### Biconnected Components (cont.)



Source: [Manber 1989].

## **Even-Length Cycles**

**Problem 3.** Given a connected undirected graph G = (V, E), determine whether it contains a cycle of even length.

**Theorem 4.** Every biconnected graph that has more than one edge and is not merely an odd-length cycle contains an even-length cycle.

## Even-Length Cycles (cont.)

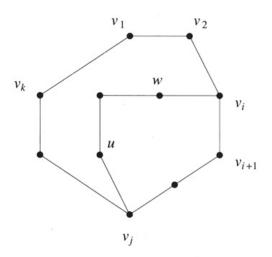


Figure 7.35 Finding an even-length cycle.

## 2 Strongly Connected Components

#### **Strongly Connected Components**

- A directed graph is *strongly connected* if there is a directed path from every vertex to every other vertex.
- A strongly connected component is a maximal subset of the vertices such that its induced subgraph is strongly connected (namely, there is no other subset that contains it and induces a strongly connected graph).

## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

**Lemma 5** (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 6** (7.12). Each vertex belongs to exactly one strongly connected component.

## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

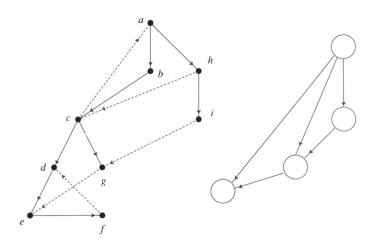


Figure 7.30 A directed graph and its strongly connected component graph.

Source: [Manber 1989].

## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

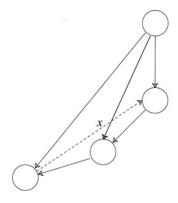


Figure 7.31 Adding an edge connecting two different strongly connected components.

Source: [Manber 1989].

# Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

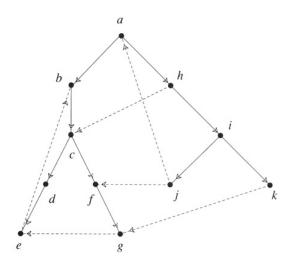


Figure 7.32 The effect of cross edges.

Source: [Manber 1989].

## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

# $$\label{eq:local_components} \begin{split} \mathbf{Algorithm~Strongly\_Connected\_Components}(G,n); \\ \mathbf{begin} \\ \quad \mathbf{for~every~vertex}~v~\text{of}~\mathbf{G}~\mathbf{do} \\ \quad v.DFS\_Number := 0; \end{split}$$

v.component := 0;  $Current\_Component := 0;$   $DFS\_N := n;$ while  $v.DFS\_Number = 0$  for some v do

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SCC(v)
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end

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 \begin{aligned} & \textbf{procedure SCC}(v); \\ & \textbf{begin} \\ & v.DFS\_Number := DFS\_N; \\ & DFS\_N := DFS\_N - 1; \\ & \text{insert } v \text{ into } Stack; \\ & v.high := v.DFS\_Number; \end{aligned}
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## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)

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for all edges (v, w) do

if w.DFS\_Number = 0 then

SCC(w);

v.high := \max(v.high, w.high)

else if w.DFS\_Number > v.DFS\_Number

and w.component = 0 then

v.high := \max(v.high, w.DFS\_Number)

if v.high = v.DFS\_Number then

Current\_Component := Current\_Component + 1;

repeat

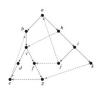
remove x from the top of Stack;

x.component := Current\_Component

until x = v

end
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## Strongly Connected Components (cont.)



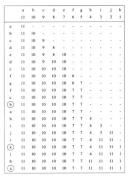


Figure 7.34 An example of computing High values and strongly connected components.

#### **Odd-Length Cycles**

**Problem 7.** 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.

## 3 Network Flows

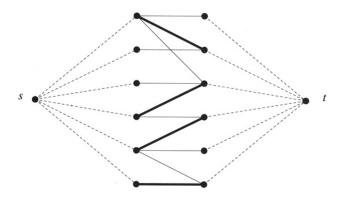
#### **Network Flows**

- 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.

#### Network Flows (cont.)

- A flow is a function f on E that satisfies the following two conditions:
  - 1.  $0 \le f(e) \le c(e)$ .
  - 2.  $\sum_{u} f(u,v) = \sum_{w} f(v,w), \text{ for all } v \in V \{s,t\}.$
- The **network flow problem** is to maximize the flow f for a given network G.

#### Network Flows (cont.)



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

#### **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.)

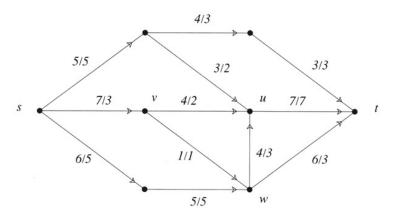


Figure 7.40 An example of a network with a (nonmaximum) flow.

Source: [Manber 1989].

#### Augmenting Paths (cont.)

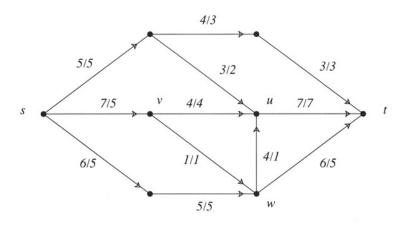


Figure 7.41 The result of augmenting the flow of Fig. 7.40.

#### Properties of Network Flows

**Theorem 8** (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 9** (Max-Flow Min-Cut). The value of a maximum flow in a network is equal to the minimum capacity of a cut.

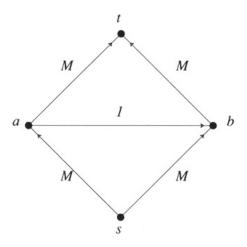
## Properties of Network Flows (cont.)

**Theorem 10** (Integral-Flow). If the capacities of all edges in the network are integers, then there is a maximum flow whose value is an integer.

#### 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.

#### Residual Graphs (cont.)



**Figure 7.42** A bad example of network flow.