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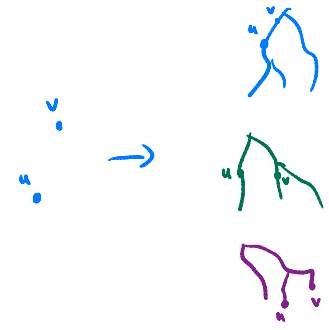
- Probabilistic Subtree Embeddings
- Min-Congestion (Oblivious) routing
- Tree-based Oblivious Routing
- $O(\log n)$ -competitive ↗

An α -distortion probabilistic tree embedding of (V, d) is a distribution over trees T containing V s.t. $\forall u, v \in V$

$$1) d(u, v) \leq d_T(u, v) \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}$$

$$2) \mathbb{E}[d_T(u, v)] \leq \alpha \cdot d(u, v)$$

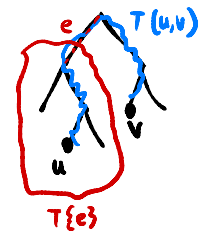
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 \forall over trees w/ $\Pr > 0$



"FRT"

Theorem: every metric has a (Poly-time sampleable) $O(\log n)$ -distortion tree embedding

Given tree $T=(V, E)$, let $T(u, v)$ be the unique (simple) $u \rightarrow v$ path in T
 let $T\{e\}$ be $S \subseteq V$ s.t. $\delta(e) = \{e\}$



Dual LP

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \langle -c, x \rangle \\ \max & \langle c, x \rangle \end{aligned} \text{ s.t. } Ax \leq b$$

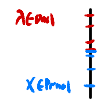
(Primal)

$$\begin{aligned} \max & \langle -b, \lambda \rangle \\ \min & \langle b, \lambda \rangle \end{aligned} \text{ s.t. } A^T \lambda = c^T, \lambda \geq 0$$

(Dual)

$$D \leq P'$$

$$P', D' = -P, -D$$



Strong Duality: If primal feasible + bounded then $P = D$

Will use Subtree embeddings; result from last class also works but takes longer to describe

Probabilistic Subtree Embeddings

Fact: Given edge-weighted graph $G=(V,E,w)$, \exists a distribution Υ over spanning trees of G
s.t. $\mathbb{E}_{T \sim \Upsilon} [d_T(u,v)] \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot d_G(u,v) \quad \forall u,v \in V$ where d_T gives shortest paths $\in T$ wrt w

Note: $d_G(u,v) \leq d_T(u,v) \quad \forall T \in \Upsilon$ b/c T is a spanning tree

Stronger than result from last class (up to $\log \log$) b/c (1) spanning trees and
(2) T on same vertex set as G

PTE Corollary: Given edge-weighted graph $G=(V,E,w)$, \exists a spanning tree $T \subseteq G$ s.t.

$$\sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} w(u,v)$$

Note: this says \exists a spanning tree that, on average, distorts edges $\leq \tilde{O}(\log n)$

Proof basically by LoE

Let Υ be distribution from fact so by LoE have

$$\mathbb{E}_{T \sim \Upsilon} \left[\sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \right] \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} w(u,v)$$

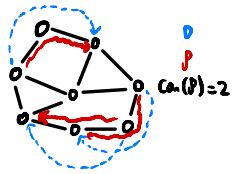
So by averaging, must \exists at least 1 spanning tree T s.t.

$$\sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} w(u,v)$$

So far: all graphs are \approx trees wrt cuts and distances

Today: all graphs are \approx trees wrt routing

Given graph $G=(V,E)$, a demand is a function $D:V \times V \rightarrow \{0,1\}$



Paths \mathcal{P} route unit demand D if $\forall u,v$ s.t. $D(u,v)=1, \exists$ a $u \rightarrow v$ path $\in \mathcal{P}$

The congestion of e wrt \mathcal{P} is $con_e(\mathcal{P}) := |\{P \in \mathcal{P} : e \in P\}|$ and of \mathcal{P} is $con(\mathcal{P}) = \max_e con_e(\mathcal{P})$

Min-Congestion Routing Problem: given demand D , find paths \mathcal{P}_D routing D , minimizing $con(\mathcal{P})$

Let OPT_D be $\min_{\mathcal{P}: \mathcal{P} \text{ routes } D} con(\mathcal{P})$

notice not same as $E[con(\mathcal{P}_D)]$

Say randomized algorithm is α -competitive if $E[con_{\mathcal{P}_D}(e)] \leq \alpha \cdot OPT_D \quad \forall D, e \in E$

1-competitive Randomized Algorithm

Variable $x_p \sim$ Probability $P=(s, \dots, t)$ sampled as $s \rightarrow t$ path in \mathcal{P}_D

Min z s.t.

$$z \geq \sum_{P: e \in P} x_p \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$\sum_{P=(s, \dots, t)} x_p = 1 \quad \forall s, t \text{ s.t. } D(s, t) = 1$$

$$x_p \in [0, 1] \quad \forall P$$

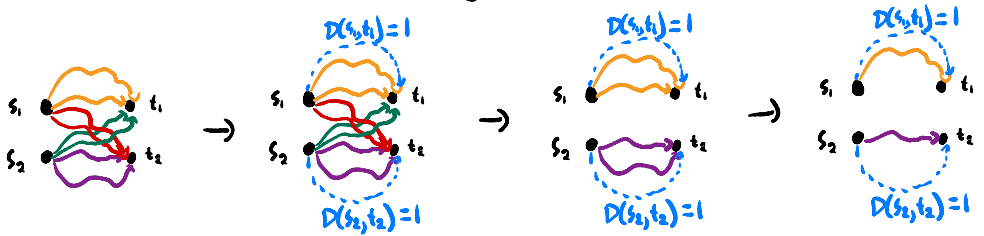
Easy to see an LP relaxation of IP and \exists poly-time separation oracle so poly-time solvable

Problem w/ this approach: have to resolve an LP every time a new demand

Solution: oblivious algorithms

Say randomized algorithm is oblivious if $\forall s, t \in V \exists$ distribution \mathcal{P}_{st} over $s \rightarrow t$ paths s.t.

$$\mathcal{P}_D = \{ \mathcal{P}_{st} \sim \mathcal{P}_{st} : D(s, t) = 1 \}$$



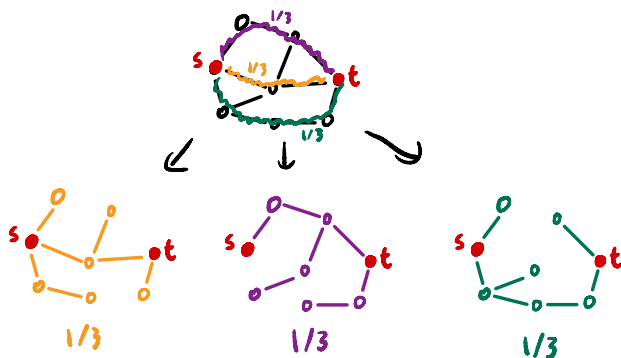
Can see \exists n -node graphs s.t. any deterministic oblivious algorithm $\Omega(n)$ -competitive (see later in notes), hence motivation for randomness to get poly-log competitiveness

Theorem: every graph has an $\tilde{O}(\log n)$ -competitive randomized oblivious routing algorithm


Tree-Based Oblivious Routing

Say oblivious routing algorithm is tree-based if \exists a distribution over spanning trees Υ s.t.

$$P_{st} := T(s,t) \text{ for } T \sim \Upsilon$$



May seem restrictive but very nice to analyze as per the following claim

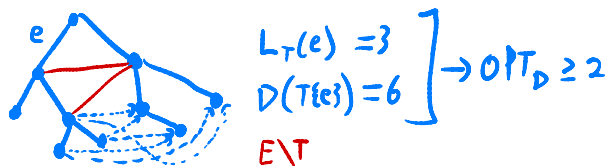
Given spanning tree $T \subseteq G$, let the load on e be $L_T(e) := |\delta_e^-(T)|$ 

Given distribution Υ over spanning trees, let the load on e be $L_\Upsilon(e) := \mathbb{E}_{T \sim \Upsilon} [L_T(e)]$
and let $L(\Upsilon) := \max_e L_\Upsilon(e)$

Claim: any tree-based oblivious routing scheme w/ tree distribution Υ is $L(\Upsilon)$ -competitive

Fix a demand D , a $T \in \Upsilon$ and $e \in T$, let $D(T \setminus e) := \sum_{u \in T(e)} \sum_{v \in T(e)} D(u,v) + D(v,u)$

Have $OPT_D \geq D(T \setminus e) / L_T(e)$ b/c routing D requires $\geq D(T \setminus e)$ paths to cross $T \setminus e$



$$\text{So } \text{con}(P_D(e)) = \sum_{\substack{T \in \Upsilon \\ \text{s.t. } e \in T} \Pr(T) \cdot D(T \setminus e) \leq \sum_{\substack{T \in \Upsilon \\ \text{s.t. } e \in T} \Pr(T) \cdot L_T(e) \cdot OPT_D = OPT_D \cdot L_\Upsilon(e)$$

So $\forall e, D$ have $\text{con}(P_D(e)) \leq L_\Upsilon(e) \cdot OPT_D \leq L(\Upsilon) \cdot OPT_D$ so get $L(\Upsilon)$ -competitive

So now showing theorem just requires Υ w/ load $\leq O(\log n)$

Finding Low Load Spanning Tree Distributions

Claim: Given graph $G=(V,E)$, \exists a distribution γ over spanning trees s.t. $L(\gamma) \leq \tilde{O}(\log n)$

Can exactly capture problem of finding γ minimizing $L(\gamma)$ w/ an LP as follows

Variable x_T for $\Pr(T)$ and z for $L(\gamma)$

Min z s.t.

$$\sum_T x_T = 1$$

$$\sum_{T \ni e} x_T \cdot L_T(e) \leq z \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$L_T(e)$$

$$x_T \geq 0 \quad \forall \text{ STs } T$$

← Can solve in Poly-time via Ellipsoid + MWU so all algorithmic

Not clear why \exists good solution; show by taking dual; see derivation later

Variable $w_e \quad \forall e \in E$ and Γ

Max Γ s.t.

$$\sum_{(u,v) \in T} d_T(u,v) \geq \Gamma \cdot \sum_{e \in E} w_e \quad \forall \text{ STs } T$$

length of $T(u,v)$ w/ weights w

$$w_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e$$

Let P, D be optimal primal, dual values

WTS $P \leq \tilde{O}(\log n)$

By strong duality $P=D$ so wts $D \leq \tilde{O}(\log n)$

Consider any feasible dual solution (w, D)

By PTE corollary, \exists spanning tree T s.t. $\sum_{(u,v) \in T} d_T(u,v) \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot \sum_e w_e$

By corresponding constraint in dual LP for T , know $D \cdot \sum_e w_e \leq \sum_{(u,v) \in T} d_T(u,v) \leq \tilde{O}(\log n) \cdot \sum_e w_e$

So $D \leq \tilde{O}(\log n)$

$\tilde{O}(\log n)$ -competitive OR follows by 2 claims

Derivation of Dual

Primal

Variable x_T for $P_T(T)$ and z for $L(T)$

Min z s.t.

$$\sum_T x_T = 1$$

$$\sum_{T \in e} x_T \cdot L_T(e) \leq z \quad \forall e \in E$$

$$x_T \geq 0 \quad \forall T \in T$$

Max $-z$ s.t.

$$\sum_T x_T \leq 1 \quad (\alpha)$$

$$-\sum_T x_T \leq -1 \quad (\beta)$$

$$\sum_{T \in e} x_T \cdot L_T(e) - z \leq 0 \quad \forall e \in E \quad (w_e)$$

$$-x_T \leq 0 \quad \forall T \in T \quad (y_T)$$

Dual

Min $\alpha - \beta$ s.t.

$$-\sum_e w_e = -1 \quad (z)$$

$$\alpha - \beta - y_T + \sum_{e \in T} w_e \cdot L_T(e) = 0 \quad (\forall T \in T)$$

$$\alpha, \beta, y \geq 0$$

$$\Gamma = \beta - \alpha,$$

$y_T \geq 0$ but
OK, doesn't matter

Max Γ s.t.

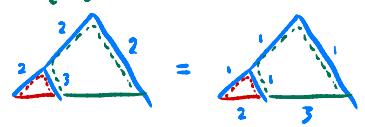
$$\sum_e w_e = 1$$

$$\sum_{e \in T} w_e \cdot L_T(e) \geq \Gamma \quad \forall T \in T$$

$$w_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e$$

But $\sum_{e \in T} w_e \cdot L_T(e) = \sum_{e \in T} w_e \sum_{\{u,v\} \in e} \mathbb{1}(\{u,v\} \in \delta(T; e)) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} \sum_{e \in T(u,v)} w_e = \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \cdot w_e$

Switch \sum order:



So final dual has variable $w_e \forall e \in E$ and Γ and is

Max Γ s.t.

$$\sum_e w_e = 1$$

$$\sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \geq \Gamma \quad \forall T \in T$$

$$w_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e \in E$$

LHS feasible for all T

$w_e = \frac{1}{d_T(u,v)}$ feasible \Rightarrow same Γ

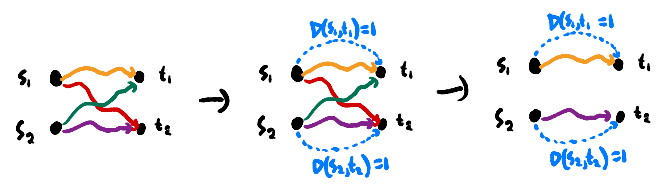
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$$\sum_{\{u,v\} \in E} d_T(u,v) \geq \Gamma \cdot \sum_{e \in E} w_e \quad \forall T \in T$$

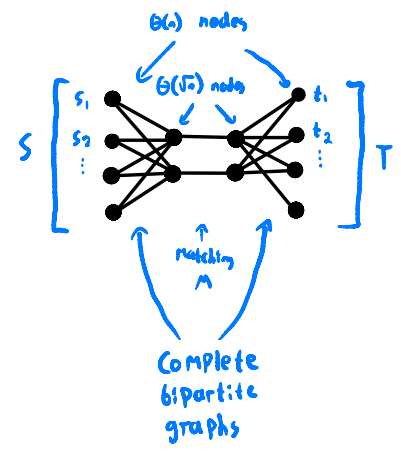
$$w_e \geq 0 \quad \forall e \in E$$

$\Omega(\sqrt{n})$ - Competitiveness of Deterministic Oblivious Routing

Notice a deterministic algorithm is oblivious if $\forall s, t \in V \exists s \rightarrow t$ path P s.t. $\mathcal{P}_D = \{P_{st} : D(s, t) = 1\}$



Consider the following graph



Fix the deterministic oblivious routing algorithm and let P_{st} be its $s \rightarrow t$ path

Let $P_i := P_{s_i t_i}$

For $e \in M$, let $\mathcal{P}_e := \{P_i : e \in P_i\}$ and let $D_e(s, t) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } s_i = s, t_i = t, e \in P_i \\ 0 & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$ be routed demand

So $\forall e$ we have $\text{con}(\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{P}_e}) \geq |\mathcal{P}_e|$

By averaging, $\exists \bar{e}$ s.t. $|\mathcal{P}_{\bar{e}}| \geq \Omega(\sqrt{n})$

For simplicity suppose $|\mathcal{P}_{\bar{e}}| = \Theta(\sqrt{n})$ (if not, just drop paths from $\mathcal{P}_{\bar{e}}$)

So $\text{con}(\mathcal{P}_{\bar{e}}) \geq \Omega(\sqrt{n})$

OTOH $\forall D$ that only send from S to T and $\sum_{s, t} D(s, t) \leq O(\sqrt{n})$,

$\exists \mathcal{P}_D$ routing D w/ $\text{con}(\mathcal{P}_D) = O(1)$

Thus, the algorithm is $\Omega(\sqrt{n})$ -competitive