#### Introduction to

#### Algorithm Design and Analysis

[12] Directed Acyclic Graph

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# In the last class ...

- Depth-first and breadth-first search
- Finding connected components
- General DFS/BFS skeleton
- Depth-first search trace

# Applications of Graph Decomposition

- Directed Acyclic Graph
  - Topological order
  - Critical path analysis

- Strongly Connected Component (SCC)
  - Strong connected component and condensation
  - The algorithm
  - Leader of strong connected component

# For Your Reference



### Directed Acyclic Graph (DAG)



A Directed Acyclic Graph

Not a DAG

# Topological Order for G=(V, E)

- Topological number
  - An assignment of distinct integer 1,2,...,n to the vertices of V
  - For every vw∈E, the topological number of v is less than that of w.

• Reverse topological order

 Defined similarly ("greater than")



# Existence of Topological Order - a Negative Result

 If a directed graph G has a cycle, then G has no topological order

Proof

- [By contradiction]
  - ----> yx-path

· - - - - - ► xy-path

For any given topological order, all the vertices on both paths must be in increasing order. Contradiction results for any assignments for x and y.



- Specialized parameters
  - Array topo, keeps the topological number assigned to each vertex.
  - Counter topoNum to provide the integer to be used for topological number assignments

#### Output

• Array topo as filled.

- void dfsTopoSweep(intList[] adjVertices, int n, int[] topo)
- int topoNum=0;
- <Allocate color array and initialize to white>
- for each vertex v of G, in some order
- if(color[v]==white)
- dfsTopo(adjVertices, color, v, topo, topoNum);
- //continue loop
- return;

For non-reverse topological ordering, initialized as n+1

- int dfsTopo(intList[] adjVertices, int[] color, int v, int[] topo, int topoNum)
- int w; intList remAdj; color[v]=gray;
- remAdj=adjVertices[v];
- while(remAdj != nil)
- w=first(remAdj);
- if(color[w]==white)
- dfsTopo(adjVertices, color, w, topo, topoNum);
- remAdj=rest(remAdj);
- topoNum++; topo[v]=topoNum;
- color[v]=black;
- return;

Filling topo is a post-order processing, so, the earlier discovered vertex has relatively greater top number

Obviously, in  $\Theta(m+n)$ 

- For an "end node"
  - Easy to decide
- Acyclic



# Correctness of the Algorithm

• If G is a DAG with *n* vertices, the procedure *dfsTopoSweep* computes a reverse topological order for G in the array *topo*.

• Proof

- The procedure dfsTopo is called exactly once for a vertex, so, the numbers in *topo* must be distinct in the range 1,2,...n.
- For any edge vw, vw can't be a back edge (otherwise, a cycle is formed). For any other edge types, we have finishTime(v)>finishTime(w), so, topo(w) is assigned earlier than topo(v). Note that topoNum is incremented monotonically, so, topo(v)>topo(w).

# Existence of Topological Order

 In fact, the proof of correctness of topological ordering has proved that: DAG always has a topological order.

So, G has a topological ordering, iff. G is a directed acyclic graph.

# Task Scheduling

- Problem:
  - Scheduling a project consisting of a set of interdependent tasks to be done by one person.

#### • Solution:

- Establishing a dependency graph, the vertices are tasks, and edge vw is included iff. the execution of v depends on the completion of w,
- Making task scheduling according to the topological order of the graph (if existing).

## Task Scheduling: an Example



### Project Optimization Problem

Assuming that parallel executions of tasks (v<sub>i</sub>) are possible except for prohibited by interdependency.

#### Observation

- In a critical path, v<sub>i-1</sub>, is a critical dependency of v<sub>i</sub>,
  i.e., any delay in v<sub>i-1</sub> will result in delay in v<sub>i</sub>.
- The time for entire project depends on the time for the critical path.
- Reducing the time of an off-critical-path task is of no help for reducing the total time for the project.

This is a precondition.

- The Problems
  - Find the critical path in a DAG
  - (Try to reduce the time for the critical path)

### Critical Path in a Task Graph

- Earliest start time (est) for a task v
  - If v has no dependencies, the est is 0
  - I v has dependencies, the est is the maximum of the earliest finish time of its dependencies.
- Earliest finish time (eft) for a task v
  - For any task: eft = est + duration
- Critical path in a project is a sequence of tasks: v<sub>0</sub>, v<sub>1</sub>, ..., v<sub>k</sub>, satisfying:
  - v<sub>0</sub> has no dependencies;
  - For any v<sub>i</sub>=(i=1,2,...,k), v<sub>i-1</sub> is a dependency of v<sub>i</sub>, such that est of v<sub>i</sub> equals eft of v<sub>i-1</sub>;
  - eft of  $v_k$ , is maximum for all tasks in the project.

# DAG with Weights



# Critical Path Finding - DFS

- Specialized parameters
  - Array duration, keeps the execution time of each vertex.
  - Array critDep, keeps the critical dependency of each vertex.
  - Array eft, keeps the earliest finished time of each vertex.
- Output
  - Array topo, critDep, eft as filled.
- Critical path is built by tracing the output.

# Critical Path - Case 1



- and the path including edge vw is recognized as the critical path for tast v
- and the eft(*v*) is updated accordingly

# Critical Path - Case 2

#### **Checking** *w*:

- est(*v*) is updated if eft(*w*) is larger than est(*v*)
- and the path including edge *vw* is recognized as the critical path for task *v*
- and the eft(v) is updated accordingly



# Critical Path by DFS

- void dfsCritSweep(intList[] adjVertices, int n, int[] duration, int[] critDep, int[] eft)
- <Allocate color array and initialize to white>
- for each vertex v of G, in some order
- if(color[v]==white)
- dfsCrit(adjVertices, color, v, duration, critDep, eft);
- //continue loop
- return;

# Critical Path by DFS

- int dfsCrit(intList[] adjVertices, int[] color, int v, int[] duration int[] critDep, int eft)
- Int w; intList remAdj; int est=0;
- color[v]=gray; critDep[v]=-1; remAdj=adjVertices[v];
- while(remAdj != nil) w=first(remAdj);
- if(color[w]==white)
- dfsCrit(adjVertices, color, w, duration, critDep, eft);
- if (eft[w]≥est) est=eft[w]; critDep[v]=w;
- else//checking for nontree edge
- if (eft[w]≥est) est=eft[w]; critDep[v]=w;
- remAdj=rest(remAdj);
- eft[v]=est+duration[v]; color[v]=black;
- return;

When is the eft[w] initialized? Only black vertex

# Analysis of Critical Path Algorithm

#### • Correctness:

- When eft[w] is accessed in the while-loop, the w must not be gray (otherwise, there is a cycle), so, it must be black, with eft initialized.
- According to DFS, each entry in the *eft* array is assigned a value exactly once. The value satisfies the definition of *eft*.
- Complexity
  - Simply same as DFS, that is  $\Theta(n+m)$ .

#### SCC: Strongly Connected Component



# Transpose Graph



**Tranpose Graph G<sup>T</sup> Connected Components unchanged according to vertices**  **Condensation Graph**  $G\downarrow$ 



But, DFS tree changed

# Basic Idea - G





# SCC - An Example



# Strong Component Algorithm: Outline

- void strongComponents(intList[] adjvertices, int n, int[] scc)
- I/Phase 1
- 1. intStack finishStack=create(n);
- 2. perform a depth-first search on G, using the DFS skeleton. At postorder processing for vertex v, insert the statement: push(finishStack, v)

#### I/Phase 2

- 3. Compute G<sup>T</sup>, the transpose graph, represented as array adjTrans of adjacency list.
- 4. dfsTsweep(adjTrans, n, finishStack, scc);
- return Note: G and G<sup>T</sup> have the same SCC sets

# Strong Component Algorithm: Core

- void dfsTSweep(intList[] adjVertices, int n, intStack finishStack, int[] scc)
- <Allocate color array and initialize to white>
- while(finishStack is not empty)
- int v=top(finishStack);
- pop(finishStack);
- if(color[v]==white)
- dfsT(adjVertices, color, v, v, scc);
- return;
- void dfsT(intList[] adjTrans, int[] color, int v, int leader, int[] scc)
- Use the standard depth-first search skeleton. At postorder processing for vertex v insert the statement:
- scc[v]=leader;
- Pass leader and scc into recursive calls.

### Leader of a Strong Component

- For a DFS, the first vertex discovered in a strong component S<sub>i</sub> is called the leader of S<sub>i</sub>.
- Each DFS tree of a digraph G contains only complete strong components of G, one or more.
  - Proof: Applying White Path Theorem whenever the leader of S<sub>i</sub> (i=1,2,...p) is discovered, starting with all vertices being white.
- The leader of  $S_i$  is the last vertex to finish among all vertices of  $S_i$ . (since all of them in the same DFS tree)

# Path between SCCs









# Active Intervals

- If there is an edge from S<sub>i</sub> to S<sub>j</sub>, then it is impossible that the active interval of v<sub>j</sub> is entirely after that of v<sub>i</sub>. (Note: for leader v<sub>i</sub> only)
  - There is no path from a leader of a strong component to any gray vertex.
  - If there is a path from the leader v of a strong component to any x in a different strong component, v finishes later than x.

# Correctness of Strong Component Algorithm (1)

- In phase 2, each time a white vertex is popped from finishStack, that vertex is the Phase 1 leader of a strong component.
  - The later finished, the earlier popped
  - The leader is the first to get popped in the strong component it belongs to
  - If x popped is not a leader, then some other vertex in the strong component has been visited previously. But not a partial strong component can be in a DFS tree, so, x must be in a completed DFS tree, and is not white.

# Correctness of Strong Component Algorithm (2)

- In phase 2, each depth-first search tree contains exactly one strong component of vertices
  - Only "exactly one" need to be proved
  - Assume that v<sub>i</sub>, a phase 1 leader is popped. If another component S<sub>j</sub> is reachable from v<sub>i</sub> in G<sup>T</sup>, there is a path in G from v<sub>j</sub> to v<sub>i</sub>. So, in phase 1, v<sub>j</sub> finished later than v<sub>i</sub>, and popped earlier than v<sub>i</sub> in phase 2. So, when v<sub>i</sub> popped, all vertices in S<sub>j</sub> are black. So, S<sub>j</sub> are not contained in DFS tree containing v<sub>i</sub>(S<sub>j</sub>).

Thank you! Q&A