

On the dynamization of shortest path overlay graphs

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Important issue on railways

Answer to timetable queries as fast as possible

Known solution

- A weighted directed graph represents a timetable
- Shortest paths algorithms answer to timetable queries
- Use speed-up techniques for shortest paths and preprocessed information

Purpose of this work

- Compute preprocessed information used by speed-up techniques
- Update preprocessed information used by speed-up techniques

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Speed-up techniques for shortest paths

- Pruning of Dijkstra's algorithm (SWW00, MSSWW05, GKW06)
- Geometric Information (WW03, WWZ05)
- Landmark (GH05)
- Arc-labelling (KMS05)
- Hierarchical decomposition (SWZ02, HSW06, SS06, DHMSW06)
- Combinations (HSWW06, GKW06)

Dynamization for speed-up techniques

- Geometric Information (WWZ03)
- Landmark (DW07)
- Hierarchical decomposition (SS07)

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Multi-level overlay graphs for shortest paths

Hierarchical speed-up technique for shortest paths (HSW06)

Experimentally fast when applied to timetable information

Results

- **Compute** and store efficiently a multi-level overlay graph
- Answer to distance queries theoretically faster than Dijkstra's algorithm by using a multi-level overlay graph
- **Update** a multi-level overlay graph when an edge weight of the graph changes

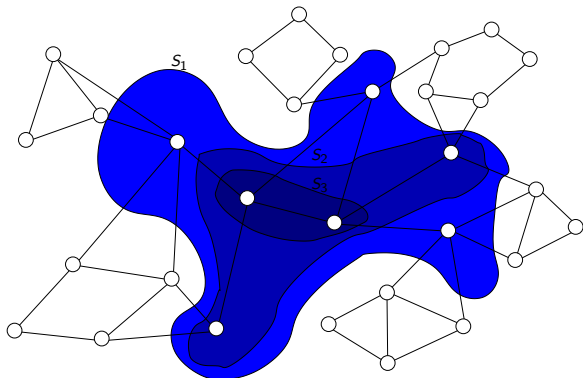
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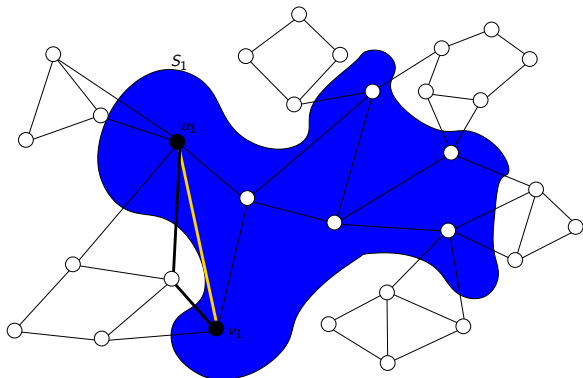
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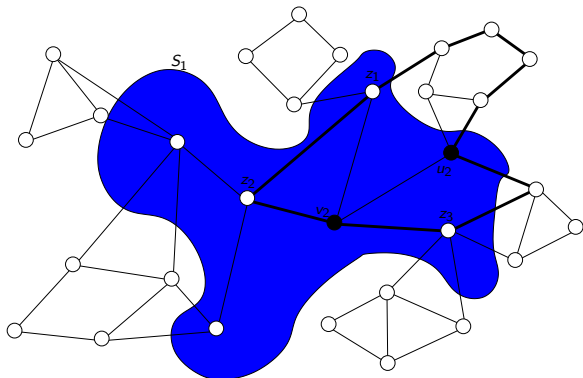
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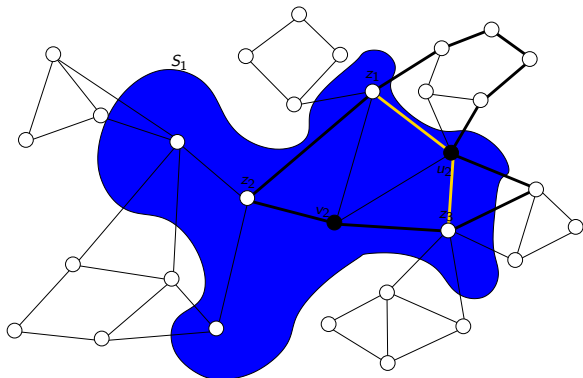
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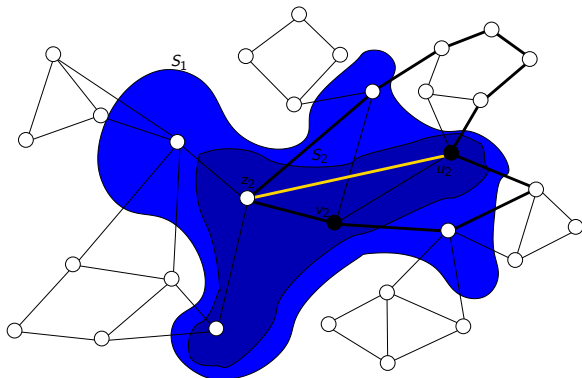
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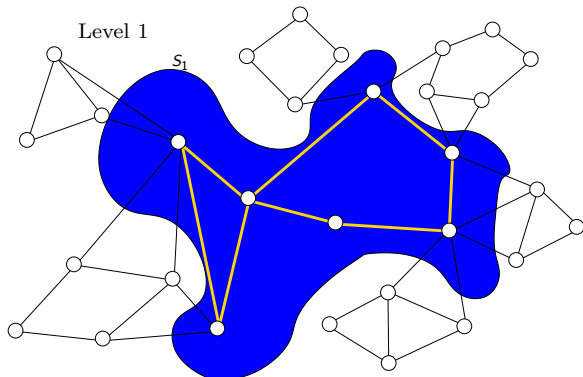
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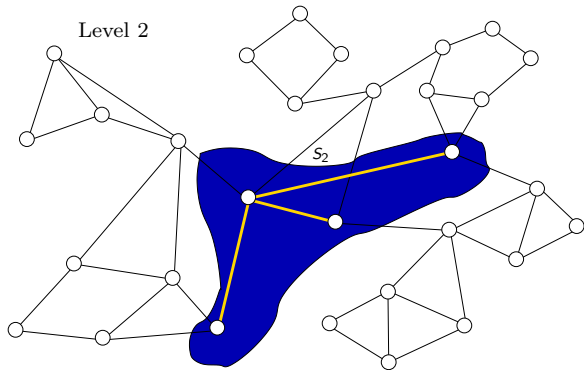
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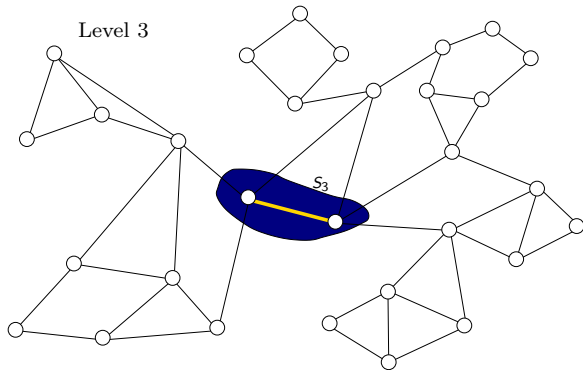
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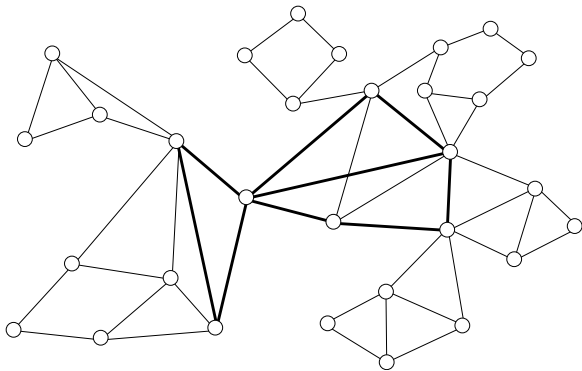
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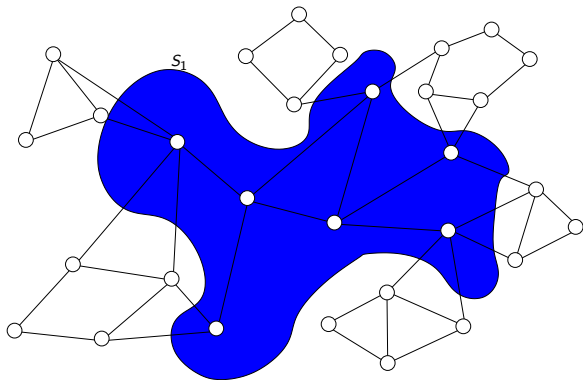
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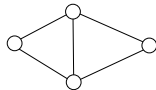
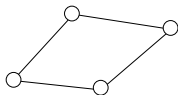
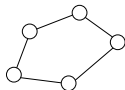
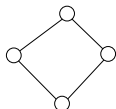
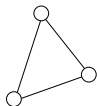
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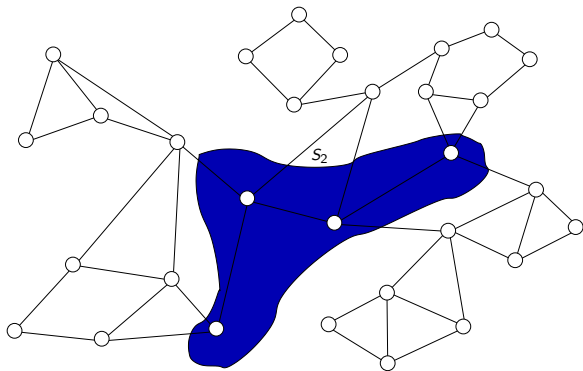
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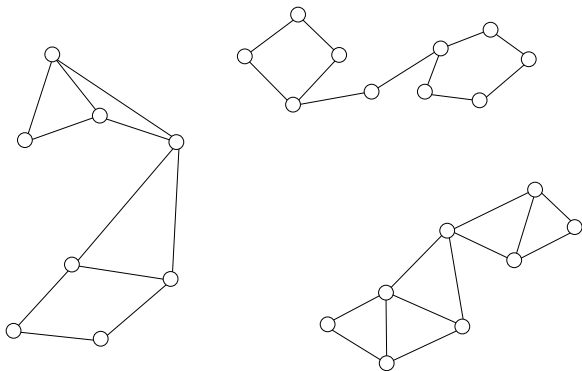
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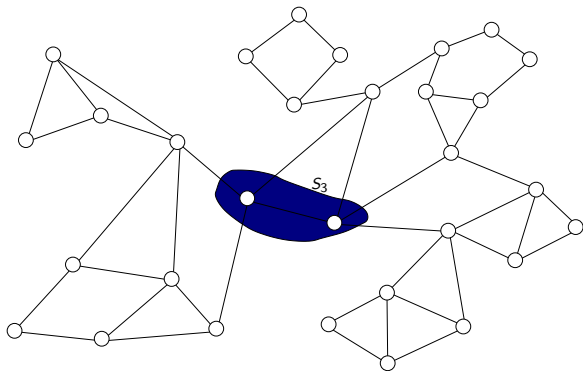
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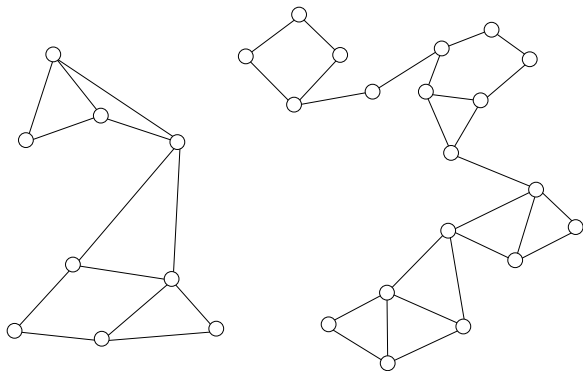
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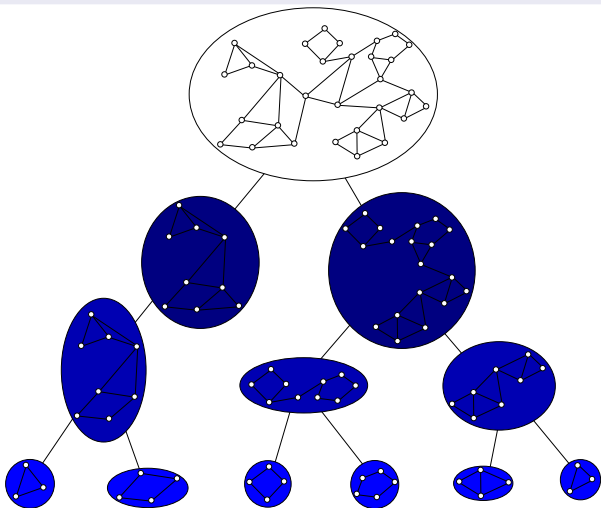
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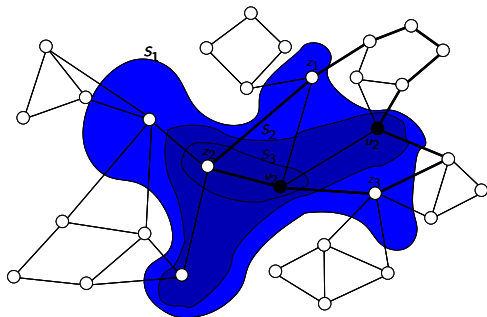
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Definition (Barrier levels)

- $P_u(v)$ set of nodes x such that x is different from u and v , and x belongs to at least one shortest path from u to v in G .
- $s_u(v) = \begin{cases} \max\{\maxlevel(x) \mid x \in P_u(v)\} & \text{if } P_u(v) \neq \emptyset \\ 0 & \text{if } P_u(v) \equiv \emptyset \end{cases}$



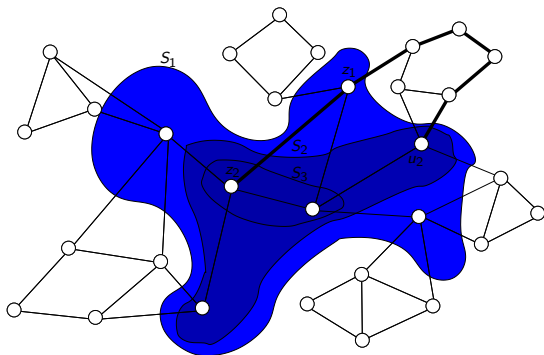
$$P_{u_2}(v_2) = \{\dots, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_3 \dots\}$$

$$s_{u_2}(v_2) = 3$$

Property 1

Lemma

$(u, v) \in S_j \times S_j$ is a level edge of level j if and only if there exists a path from u to v in G and $s_u(v) < j$.



$$\begin{aligned} (u_2, z_2) &\in S_1 \times S_1 \\ (u_2, z_2) &\in S_2 \times S_2 \\ s_{u_2}(z_2) &= 1 \text{ (given by } z_1) \end{aligned}$$

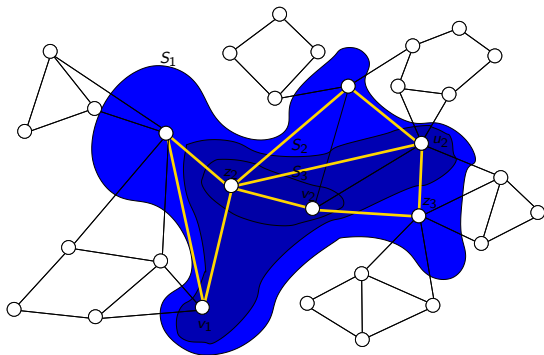
$$\begin{aligned} j = 1 & \quad s_{u_2}(z_2) \geq j \\ j = 2 & \quad s_{u_2}(z_2) < j \end{aligned}$$

(u_2, z_2) is a 2-level edge

Property 2

Lemma

If $e = (u, v) \in \bigcup_{i=1}^l E_i$, then there exist $j, k \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 \leq j \leq k \leq l$, such that $e \in E_i$, $\forall i \in \{j, \dots, k\}$, and $e \notin E_i$, $\forall i \notin \{j, \dots, k\}$.



$$(v_1, z_2) \in E_1, E_2$$

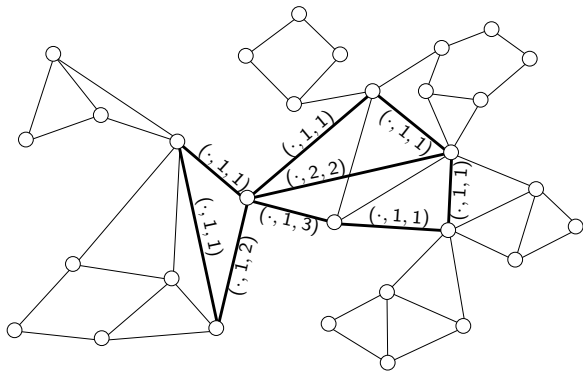
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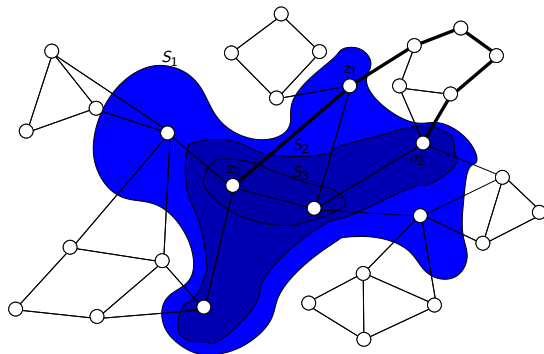
$$w_{\mathcal{M}}(u, v) = (\bar{d}(u, v), f(u, v), \ell(u, v)) = \begin{cases} (d(u, v), s_u(v) + 1, \min\{\maxlevel(u), \maxlevel(v)\}) & \text{If } (u, v) \text{ is a level edge} \\ (w(u, v), 0, 0) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Property 3

Lemma

$(u, v) \in S_1 \times S_1$ is a level edge if and only if there exists a path from u to v in G and $s_u(v) < \min\{\maxlevel(u), \maxlevel(v)\}$.



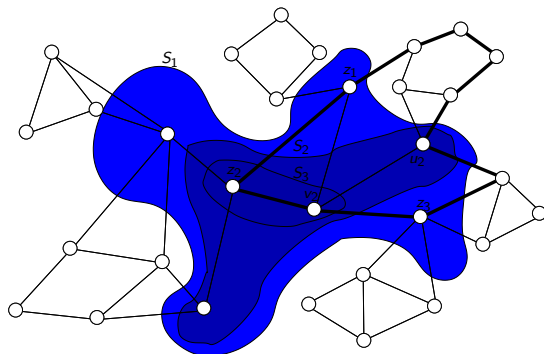
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 (u_2, z_2) is a level edge

$s_{u_2}(v_2) = 3$ (given by z_2)
 $\min\{\maxlevel(u_2), \maxlevel(v_2)\} = 2$
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In order to compute $s_u(v)$

We define

- a weighted graph $G_u = (V, E, w_u)$ for each $u \in S_1$
- an algebraic structure $(\mathcal{K}, \min_{\mathcal{K}}, \oplus_{\mathcal{K}})$

such that, if $w_u : E \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$, then

- for each $v \in V$ the distance from u to v in G_u is $d_u(v) = (d(u, v), s_u(v))$
- $d_u(v)$ can be computed by Dijkstra's shortest paths algorithm

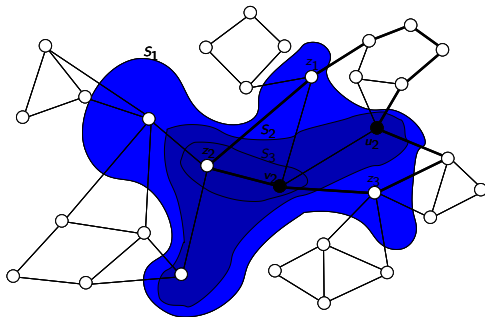
Theorem

$(\mathcal{K}, \min_{\mathcal{K}}, \oplus_{\mathcal{K}}, (\infty, 0), (0, 0))$ is a closed semiring.

Theorem

$d_u(v) = (d(u, v), s_u(v))$, for each $v \in V$.

We can use Dijkstra's shortest paths algorithm to compute $d(u, v)$ and $s_u(v)$



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For each node $v \in V$, we store $S[v] = \text{maxlevel}(v)$

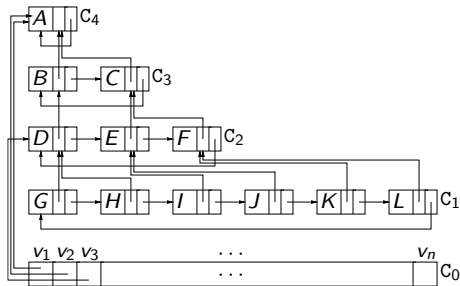
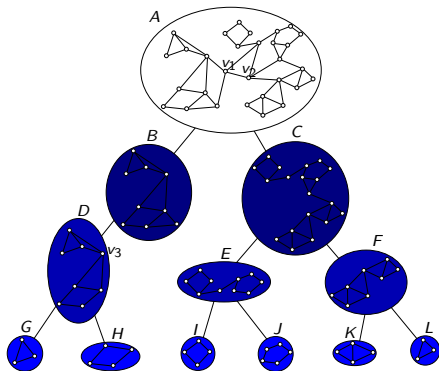
OVERLAY

For each $u \in S_1$

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| 1 | Compute G_u | $ S_1 $ times |
| 2 | Run Dijkstra on G_u from u and get $d(u, v)$ and $s_u(v)$ | $O(n + m)$ |
| 3 | For each $(u, v), v \in S_1$ | $O(m + n \log n)$ |
| 4 | If $(s_u(v) < \min\{S[u], S[v]\})$ and $d(u, v) \neq \infty$ then | $O(n)$ |
| 5 | $w_{\mathcal{M}}(u, v) := (d(u, v), s_u(v) + 1, \min\{S[u], S[v]\})$ | |

Lemma

OVERLAY requires $O(|S_1|(m + n \log n))$ time

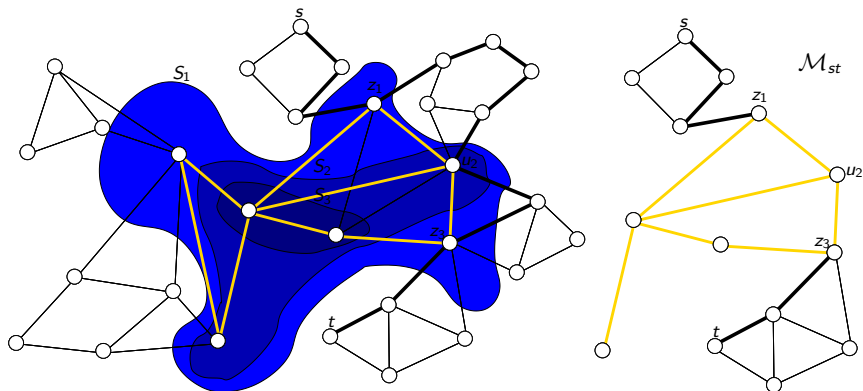


Components tree

Is computed in linear time and space

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The distance from s to t in \mathcal{M}_{st} is the same that in G (HSW06)

Build \mathcal{M}_{st} and compute distance in \mathcal{M}_{st} costs less than compute distance in G

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Purpose

Update a multi-level overlay graph \mathcal{M} of a graph G and the components tree when G changes as a consequence of a weight increase or a weight decrease operation on an edge of G

Note

- Distance queries can be answered as in the static case
- The components tree does not change

- To build \mathcal{M} , we use $|S_1|$ times Dijkstra's algorithm
- To update \mathcal{M} , we use the dynamic algorithm of FMN00
- It updates a shortest paths tree while weight increase or weight decrease modifications occur
- Procedure OVERLAY does not store the shortest paths tree rooted in the nodes in S_1
- Hence, we need a procedure that first computes the shortest paths trees and then computes \mathcal{M}

OVERLAY-2

COMPUTE $T_u, u \in S_1$

- 1 For each $u \in S_1$
- 2 Compute G_u
- 3 Run Dijkstra on G_u from u and get T_u containing $d(u, v)$ and $s_u(v)$

COMPUTE \mathcal{M}

- 4 For each $(u, v) \in S_1$
- 5 If $(s_u(v) < \min\{S[u], S[v]\})$ and $d(u, v) \neq \infty$ then
- 6 $w_{\mathcal{M}}(u, v) := (d(u, v), s_u(v) + 1, \min\{S[u], S[v]\})$

Lemma

OVERLAY-2 requires $O(|S_1|(m+n) \log n)$ time and $O(|S_1|(n+m))$ space

UPDATE- \mathcal{M}

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|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Update graphs $G_u, u \in S_1$ | $O(S_1 n)$ |
| 2 | Update trees $T_u, u \in S_1$ | $O(\Delta\sqrt{m}\log(n))$ |
| 3 | COMPUTE \mathcal{M} | $O(S_1 n + m)$ |

Lemma

UPDATE- \mathcal{M} requires $O(|S_1|n + m + \Delta\sqrt{m}\log(n))$ time

Here Δ is the number of pairs in $S_1 \times V$ that changes the distance as a consequence of a modification of G

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Results

- Compute a multi-level overlay graph in $O(|S_1|(m + n \log n))$
- Answer to distance queries theoretically faster than Dijkstra's algorithm
- Update a multi-level overlay graph in $O(|S_1|n + m + \Delta\sqrt{m} \log(n))$

Future works

Experimental evaluation