

L11: Algebraic Path Problems with applications to Internet Routing

Lecture 14

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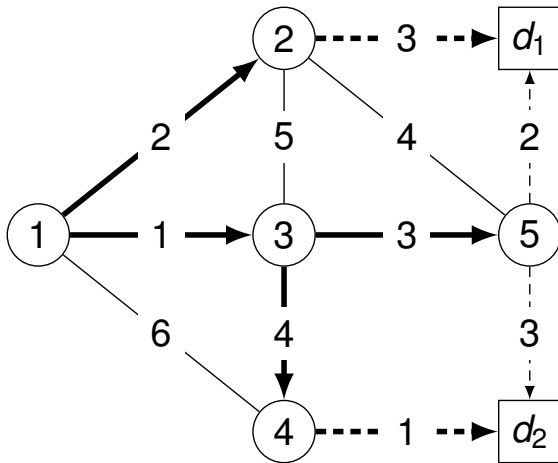
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Routing vs. Forwarding

- Inspired by the the Locator/ID split work
 - See Locator/ID Separation Protocol (LISP)
- Let's make a distinction between infrastructure nodes V and destinations D .
- Assume $V \cap D = \{\}$
- \mathbf{M} is a $V \times D$ mapping matrix
 - $\mathbf{M}(v, d) \neq \infty$ means that destination (identifier) d is somehow attached to node (locator) v

Simple example of forwarding = routing + mapping



matrix	solves
\mathbf{A}^*	$\mathbf{L} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{L}) \oplus \mathbf{I}$
$\mathbf{A}^* \mathbf{M}$	$\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{F}) \oplus \mathbf{M}$

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{matrix} & d_1 & d_2 \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \infty & \infty \\ 3 & \infty \\ \infty & \infty \\ \infty & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

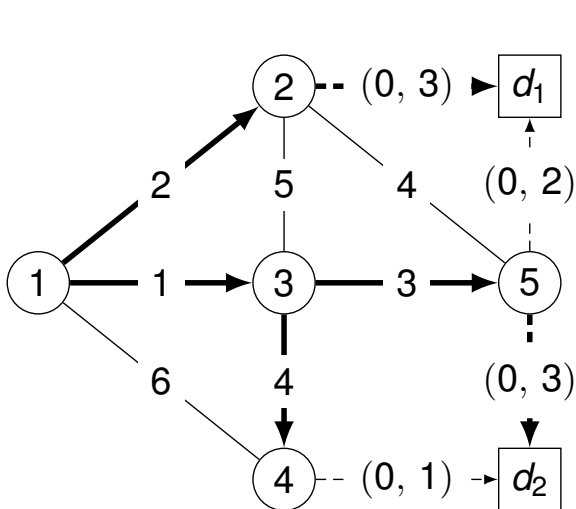
Mapping matrix

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{matrix} & d_1 & d_2 \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 6 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 5 \\ 9 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Forwarding matrix (paths implicit)



More Interesting Example : “Hot-Potato” Idiom — find attachment that is closest



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Forwarding matrix



General Case

Give $G = (V, E)$

A $|V| \times |V|$ (left) routing matrix \mathbf{L} solves an equation of the form

$$\mathbf{L} = (\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{L}) \oplus \mathbf{I},$$

over semiring S .

D is the set of destinations.

A $|V| \times |D|$ forwarding matrix is defined as

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{L} \triangleright \mathbf{M},$$

over some structure $(N, \square, \triangleright)$, where $\triangleright \in S \rightarrow (N \rightarrow N)$.

forwarding = path finding + mapping

Does this make sense?

$$\mathbf{F}(i, d) = (\mathbf{L} \triangleright \mathbf{M})(i, d) = \square_{q \in V} \mathbf{L}(i, q) \triangleright \mathbf{M}(q, d).$$

- Once again we are leaving paths implicit in the construction.
- Routing paths are best paths to egress nodes, selected with respect to \square -minimality.
- \square -minimality can be very different from selection involved in path finding.

When we are lucky ...

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$\mathbf{A}^* \triangleright \mathbf{M}$	$\mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{A} \triangleright \mathbf{F}) \square \mathbf{M}$

When does this happen?

When $(N, \square, \triangleright)$ is a (left) semi-module over the semiring S^a .

^aA model of Internet routing using semi-modules. John N. Billings and Timothy G. Griffin. ReMiCS11/AKA6 2009

(left) Semi-modules

- $(S, \oplus, \otimes, \bar{0}, \bar{1})$ is a semiring.

A (left) semi-module over S

Is a structure $(N, \square, \triangleright, \bar{0}_N)$, where

- $(N, \square, \bar{0}_N)$ is a commutative monoid
- \triangleright is a function $\triangleright \in S \rightarrow (N \rightarrow N)$
- $(a \otimes b) \triangleright m = a \triangleright (b \triangleright m)$
- $\bar{0} \triangleright m = \bar{0}_N$
- $s \triangleright \bar{0}_N = \bar{0}_N$
- $\bar{1} \triangleright m = m$

and **distributivity** holds,

$$\text{SMILD} : s \triangleright (m \square n) = (s \triangleright m) \square (s \triangleright n)$$

$$\text{SMRD} : (s \oplus t) \triangleright m = (s \triangleright m) \square (t \triangleright m)$$

Example : Hot-Potato

S idempotent and selective

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{S} &= (\mathcal{S}, \oplus_{\mathcal{S}}, \otimes_{\mathcal{S}}) \\
 \mathcal{T} &= (\mathcal{T}, \oplus_{\mathcal{T}}, \otimes_{\mathcal{T}}) \\
 \triangleright_{\text{fst}} &\in \mathcal{S} \rightarrow (\mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{T}) \rightarrow (\mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{T}) \\
 s_1 \triangleright_{\text{fst}} (s_2, t) &= (s_1 \otimes_{\mathcal{S}} s_2, t)
 \end{aligned}$$

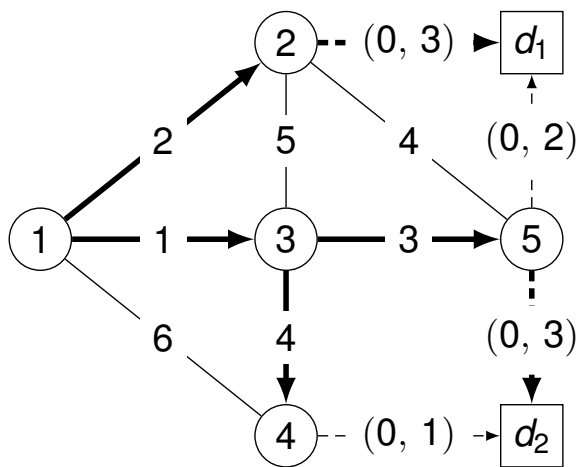
$$\text{Hot}(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T}) = (\mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{T}, \vec{\times}, \triangleright_{\text{fst}}),$$

where $\vec{\times}$ is the (left-to-right) lexicographic product of $\oplus_{\mathcal{S}}$ and $\oplus_{\mathcal{T}}$.

Define $\triangleright_{\text{hp}}$ on matrices

$$(\mathbf{L} \triangleright_{\text{hp}} \mathbf{M})(i, d) = \vec{\times}_{q \in V} \mathbf{L}(i, q) \triangleright_{\text{fst}} \mathbf{M}(q, d)$$

Example of hot-potato routing



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Example : Cold-Potato

\oplus_T selective

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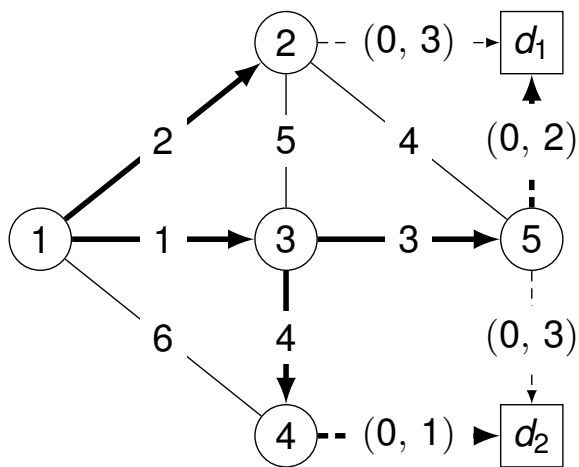
$$\text{Cold}(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{T}) = (\mathcal{S} \times \mathcal{T}, \overleftarrow{\times}, \triangleright_{\text{fst}}),$$

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Example of cold-potato routing



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