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## Abstract Interpretation of Graphs

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# Introduction

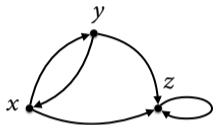
# Objective

- Some abstract domains use **path-based graph algorithms** (zones, octagons, *etc.*)
- These algorithms are **abstract interpretations of path finding algorithms** (and so share a common algebraic structure)
- Was shown for the **Bellman–Ford–Moore algorithm** [Sergey, Midtgaard, and Clarke, 2012]
- We illustrate for the **Floyd-Roy-Warshall shortest distance algorithm** in a weighted graph
- **more complicated** since a naïve abstraction of a path by its length yields a  $n^4$  instead of the  $n^3$  Floyd-Roy-Warshall algorithm ( $n$  is the number of vertices of the finite graph)

# Paths of a graph

## [Weighted] graphs

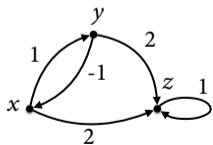
- (directed) graph  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$



$$G = \begin{cases} V & = \{x, y, z\} \\ E & = \{\langle x, y \rangle, \langle x, z \rangle, \langle y, x \rangle, \\ & \langle y, z \rangle, \langle z, z \rangle\} \end{cases}$$

$$G = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & x & y & z \\ \hline x & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ y & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ z & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

- Weighted graph  $G = \langle V, E, \omega \rangle$  with weights  $\omega \in E \rightarrow \mathbb{G}$  in a group  $\langle \mathbb{G}, 0, + \rangle$  (extended with  $\infty$ )



$$\begin{cases} \omega(\langle x, y \rangle) = 1 & \omega(\langle x, z \rangle) = 2 \\ \omega(\langle x, z \rangle) = 2 & \omega(\langle y, x \rangle) = -1 \\ \omega(\langle y, z \rangle) = 2 & \omega(\langle z, z \rangle) = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$G = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & x & y & z \\ \hline x & \infty & 1 & 2 \\ y & -1 & \infty & 2 \\ z & \infty & \infty & 1 \end{array}$$

## (Finite non-empty) paths of a graph $G = \langle V, E \rangle$

$$\Pi(G) \triangleq \{x_1 \dots x_n \in V^n \mid n > 0 \wedge \forall i \in [1, n[ . \langle x_i, x_{i+1} \rangle \in E\}$$

- Many possible recursive definitions:
  - $\text{path} = \text{arc} \mid \text{path} \odot \text{arc}$
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  - $\text{path} = \text{path} \mid \text{path} \odot \text{path} \quad \& \quad \text{path arc} \subseteq \text{path}$
  - ...

# Fixpoint characterization of the paths of a graph

**Theorem 1** The paths of a graph  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  are

$$\Pi(G) = \text{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}(X) \triangleq E \cup X \odot E \quad (1.a)$$

$$= \text{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}(X) \triangleq E \cup E \odot X \quad (1.b)$$

$$= \text{lfp}^{\subseteq} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}(X) \triangleq E \cup X \odot X \quad (1.c)$$

$$= \text{lfp}_E^{\subseteq} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}(X) \triangleq X \cup X \odot X \quad (1.d) \quad \square$$

$\odot$  is the concatenation of sets of finite paths

$$P \odot Q \triangleq \{x_1 \dots x_n y_2 \dots y_m \mid x_1 \dots x_n \in P \wedge y_1 y_2 \dots y_m \in Q \wedge x_n = y_1\}. \quad (2)$$

# Path problems



# Path problem

- Classical definition: *path problems* are solved by graph algorithms that have the same algebraic structure
- Abstract interpretation: A *path problem* in a graph  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  consists in specifying/computing an abstraction  $\alpha(\Pi(G))$  of its paths  $\Pi(G)$  defined by a Galois connection

$$\langle \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq, \cup \rangle \begin{matrix} \xleftarrow{\gamma} \\ \xrightarrow{\alpha} \end{matrix} \langle A, \sqsubseteq, \sqcup \rangle.$$

## Fixpoint characterization of a path problem

- A path problem can be solved by a fixpoint definition/computation.

**Theorem 2** Let  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  be a graph with paths  $\Pi(G)$  and  $\langle \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq, \sqcup \rangle \xleftrightarrow[\alpha]{\gamma}$   
 $\langle A, \sqsubseteq, \sqcup \rangle$ .

$$\alpha(\Pi(G)) = \text{lfp}^{\sqsubseteq} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\dagger}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\dagger}(X) \triangleq \alpha(E) \sqcup X \overline{\odot} \alpha(E) \quad (\text{Th.2.a})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.2.b})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.2.c})$$

$$= \text{lfp}_{\alpha(E)}^{\sqsubseteq} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\dagger}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\dagger}(X) \triangleq X \sqcup X \overline{\odot} X \quad (\text{Th.2.d})$$

where  $\alpha(X) \overline{\odot} \alpha(Y) = \alpha(X \odot Y)$ . □

- The proof is by calculational design using the classical exact fixpoint abstraction with commutation

## Path problem 1: paths between any two vertices

- Projection abstraction

$$\alpha^{\circ\circ}(X) \triangleq \lambda(y, z) \cdot \{x_1 \dots x_n \in X \mid y = x_1 \wedge x_n = z\}$$

such that

$$\langle \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq, \cup \rangle \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha^{\circ\circ}]{\gamma^{\circ\circ}} \langle V \times V \rightarrow \wp(V^{>1}), \dot{\subseteq}, \dot{\cup} \rangle \quad (3)$$

- Paths between any two vertices

$$p \triangleq \alpha^{\circ\circ}(\Pi(G))$$

# Fixpoint characterization of the paths of a graph between any two vertices

**Theorem 3** Let  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  be a graph. The paths between any two vertices of  $G$  are  $p = \alpha^{\circ\circ}(\Pi(G))$  such that

$$p = \text{lfp}_E^{\subseteq} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ\circ}, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ\circ}(p) \triangleq \dot{E} \dot{\cup} p \odot \dot{E} \quad (\text{Th.3.a})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.3.b})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.3.c})$$

$$= \text{lfp}_{\dot{E}}^{\subseteq} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ\circ}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ\circ}(p) \triangleq p \dot{\cup} p \odot p \quad (\text{Th.3.d})$$

where  $\dot{E} \triangleq \lambda x, y. (E \cap \{\langle x, y \rangle\})$  and  $p_1 \odot p_2 \triangleq \lambda x, y. \bigcup_{z \in V} p_1(x, z) \odot p_2(z, y)$ .  $\square$

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## Path problem 2: Elementary paths and cycles

- A *cycle is elementary* if and only if it contains no internal subcycle (*i.e.* subpath which is a cycle).
- A *path is elementary* if and only if it contains no subpath which is an internal cycle (so an elementary cycle is an elementary path).
- The only vertices that can occur twice in an elementary path are its extremities in which case it is an elementary cycle.
- Notation:  $\text{elem?}(x_1 \dots x_n)$
- Abstraction

$$\alpha^{\exists}(P) \triangleq \{\pi \in P \mid \text{elem?}(\pi)\}.$$

$$\langle \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq \rangle \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha^{\exists}]{\gamma^{\exists}} \langle \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq \rangle \quad \langle V \times V \rightarrow \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq \rangle \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha^{\exists}]{\gamma^{\exists}} \langle V \times V \rightarrow \wp(V^{>1}), \subseteq \rangle$$

# Fixpoint characterization of the elementary paths of a graph

**Theorem 4** Let  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  be a graph. The elementary paths between any two vertices of  $G$  are  $p^{\circ} \triangleq \alpha^{\circ\circ} \circ \alpha^{\circ}(\Pi(G))$  such that

$$p^{\circ} = \text{lfp}_{\mathcal{F}_{\Pi}^{\circ}} \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ}(p) \triangleq \dot{E} \dot{\cup} p \dot{\odot}^{\circ} \dot{E} \quad (\text{Th.4.a})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.4.b})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.4.c})$$

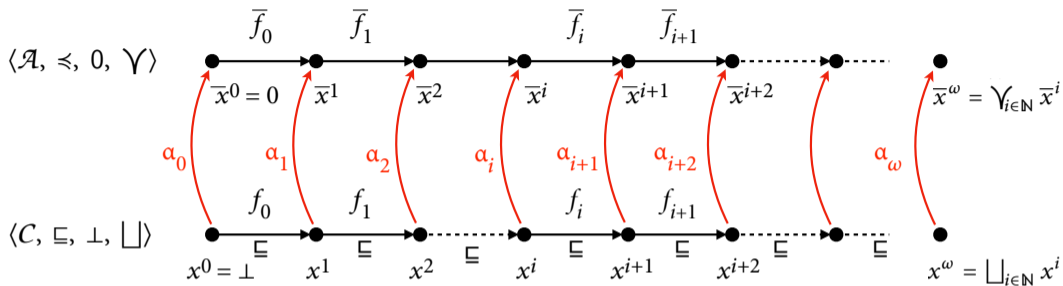
$$= \text{lfp}_{\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ}} \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\Pi}^{\circ}(p) \triangleq p \dot{\cup} p \dot{\odot}^{\circ} p \quad (\text{Th.4.d})$$

where  $\dot{E} \triangleq \lambda x, y. (E \cap \{\langle x, y \rangle\})$  and  $p_1 \dot{\odot}^{\circ} p_2 \triangleq \lambda x, y. \bigcup_{z \in V} \{\pi_1 \odot \pi_2 \mid \pi_1 \in p_1(x, z) \wedge \pi_2 \in p_2(z, y) \wedge \text{elem-conc?}(\pi_1, \pi_2)\}$ . □

- Proof by calculational design using the classical exact fixpoint abstraction
- (Th.4.d) is almost Floyd-Roy-Warshall but in  $n^4!$  ( $n$  number of vertices)

# Iteration multiple abstraction

## Exact abstraction of iterates (intuition)



If

- $\alpha_0(\perp) = 0$
- $\alpha_{i+1} \circ f_i = \bar{f}_i \circ \alpha_i$
- $\alpha_\omega(\bigsqcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} x_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_i(x_i)$  for all increasing chains  $\langle x_i \in C, i \in \mathbb{N} \rangle$ .

then  $\alpha_\omega(x^\omega) = \bar{x}^\omega$ .



## Exact abstraction of iterates (formally)

**Theorem 5** Let  $\langle C, \sqsubseteq, \perp, \sqcup \rangle$  be a cpo,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N} . f_i \in C \rightarrow C$  be such that  $\forall x, y \in C . x \sqsubseteq y \Rightarrow f_i(x) \sqsubseteq f_{i+1}(y)$  with iterates  $\langle x^i, i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\} \rangle$  defined by  $x^0 = \perp$ ,  $x^{i+1} = f_i(x^i)$ ,  $x^\omega = \bigsqcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} x^i$ . Then these concrete iterates and  $f \triangleq \bigsqcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} f_i$  are well-defined.

Let  $\langle \mathcal{A}, \preceq, 0, \vee \rangle$  be a cpo,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N} . \bar{f}_i \in \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be such that  $\forall \bar{x}, \bar{y} \in \mathcal{A} . \bar{x} \preceq \bar{y} \Rightarrow \bar{f}_i(\bar{x}) \preceq \bar{f}_{i+1}(\bar{y})$  with iterates  $\langle \bar{x}^i, i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\} \rangle$  defined by  $\bar{x}^0 = 0$ ,  $\bar{x}^{i+1} = \bar{f}_i(\bar{x}^i)$ ,  $\bar{x}^\omega = \bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \bar{x}^i$ . Then these abstract iterates and  $\bar{f} \triangleq \bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \bar{f}_i$  are well-defined.

For all  $i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\omega\}$ , let  $\alpha_i \in C \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  be such that  $\alpha_0(\perp) = 0$ ,  $\alpha_{i+1} \circ f_i = \bar{f}_i \circ \alpha_i$ , and  $\alpha_\omega(\bigsqcup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} x_i) = \bigvee_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_i(x_i)$  for all increasing chains  $\langle x_i \in C, i \in \mathbb{N} \rangle$ . It follows that  $\alpha_\omega(x^\omega) = \bar{x}^\omega$ .

If, moreover,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N} . f_i \in C \xrightarrow{uc} C$  is upper-continuous then  $x^\omega = \text{lfp}^\sqsubseteq f$ .

Similarly  $\bar{x}^\omega = \text{lfp}^{\preceq} \bar{f}$  when the  $\bar{f}_i$  are upper-continuous.

If both the  $f_i$  and  $\bar{f}_i$  are upper-continuous then  $\alpha_\omega(\text{lfp}^\sqsubseteq f) = \alpha_\omega(x^\omega) = \bar{x}^\omega = \text{lfp}^{\preceq} \bar{f}$ .  $\square$

# Back to the elementary path problems

## Elementary paths of finite graphs $G = \langle V, E \rangle$ ( $|V| = n > 0$ )

- Elementary paths are of length at most  $n + 1$  so the **fixpoint iterates** in **Theorem 4** converge in at most  $n + 2$  iterates.
- If  $V = \{z_1 \dots z_n\}$  is finite, then the elementary paths of the  $k + 2^{\text{nd}}$  iterate can be restricted to  $\{z_1, \dots, z_k\}$ .
- Applying Theorem 5 with

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha_0^\partial(p) &\triangleq p && (9) \\
 \alpha_k^\partial(p) &\triangleq \lambda x, y \cdot \{\pi \in p(x, y) \mid V(\pi) \subseteq \{z_1, \dots, z_k\} \cup \{x, y\}\}, && k \in [1, n] \\
 \alpha_k^\partial(p) &\triangleq p, && k > n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle V \times V \rightarrow \wp(V^{>1}), \dot{\subseteq} \rangle \xrightleftharpoons[\alpha_k^\partial]{\gamma_k^\partial} \langle V \times V \rightarrow \bigcup_{k=2}^{n+1} V^k, \dot{\subseteq} \rangle. \quad (10)$$

we get an iterative algorithm.

# Iterative characterization of the elementary paths of a finite graph

**Theorem 6** Let  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  be a finite graph with  $V = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$ ,  $n > 0$ . Then

$$p^\ominus = \text{lfp}_E^\zeta \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^\ominus = \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus n+2} \quad \text{where } \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^\ominus(p) \triangleq \dot{E} \dot{\cup} p \dot{\odot}^\ominus \dot{E} \text{ in (Th.4.a)} \quad (\text{Th.6.a})$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus 0} \triangleq \emptyset, \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus 1} \triangleq \dot{E},$$

$$\overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k+2} \triangleq \dot{E} \dot{\cup} \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k+1} \dot{\odot}_{z_{k+1}} \dot{E}, \quad k \in [0, n], \quad \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k+1} = \overline{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k}, \quad k \geq n+2$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.6.b})$$

$$= \dots \quad (\text{Th.6.c})$$

$$= \text{lfp}_E^\zeta \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^\ominus = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus n+1} \quad \text{where } \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^\ominus(p) \triangleq p \dot{\cup} p \dot{\odot}^\ominus p \text{ in (Th.4.d)} \quad (\text{Th.6.d})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus 0} \triangleq \dot{E}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k+1} \triangleq \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k} \dot{\cup} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k} \dot{\odot}_{z_{k+1}}^\ominus \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k}, \quad k \in [0, n],$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k+1} = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{\ominus k}, \quad k \geq n+2$$

$$p_1 \dot{\odot}_z p_2 \triangleq \lambda x, y. \{ \pi_1 \odot \pi_2 \mid \pi_1 \in p_1(x, z) \wedge \pi_2 \in p_2(z, y) \wedge z \notin \{x, y\} \}$$

$$p_1 \dot{\odot}_z^\ominus p_2 \triangleq \lambda x, y. \{ \pi_1 \odot \pi_2 \mid \pi_1 \in p_1(x, z) \wedge \pi_2 \in p_2(z, y) \wedge \text{elem-conc}^\ominus(\pi_1, \pi_2) \}. \quad \square$$

# Iterative characterization of an *over-approximation* of the elementary paths of a finite graph

**Corollary 7** Let  $G = \langle V, E \rangle$  be a finite graph with  $V = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$ ,  $n > 0$ . Then

$$p^\ominus = \dots \tag{Cor.7.c}$$

$$= \text{lfp}_{\dot{E}} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\Pi^\ominus \subseteq \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{n+1} \tag{Cor.7.d}$$

$$\text{where } \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^0 \triangleq \dot{E}, \quad \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^{k+1} \triangleq \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^k \dot{\cup} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^k \odot_{z_k} \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_\pi^k \quad \square$$

replacing  $\odot_z^\ominus$  by  $\odot_z$  (with no check that concatenated paths are elementary).

## Path problem 3: shortest distances between any two vertices of a weighted graph $G = \langle V, E, \omega \rangle$ on a group $\langle \mathbb{G}, 0, + \rangle$

- The weight of a path is

$$\omega(x_1 \dots x_n) \triangleq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \omega(\langle x_i, x_{i+1} \rangle) \quad (6)$$

- The minimal weight of a set of paths is

$$\omega(P) \triangleq \min\{\omega(\pi) \mid \pi \in P\}. \quad (7)$$

- Galois connection  $\langle \wp(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}^+} V^n), \subseteq \rangle \xleftrightarrow[\omega]{} \langle \mathbb{G} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}, \geq \rangle$  extended pointwise to

$$\langle V \times V \rightarrow \wp(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}^+} V^n), \dot{\subseteq} \rangle \xleftrightarrow[\dot{\omega}]{} \langle V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{G} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}, \dot{\geq} \rangle. \quad (8)$$

- The distance  $d(x, y)$  between an origin  $x \in V$  and an extremity  $y \in V$  is the length  $\omega(p(x, y))$  of the shortest path between these vertices

$$d \triangleq \dot{\omega}(p) = \dot{\omega}(P) \quad \text{provided } p \dot{\subseteq} P \text{ and no cycle has a strictly negative weight}$$

# Iterative characterization of the shortest path length of a graph

**Theorem 8** Let  $G = \langle V, E, \omega \rangle$  be a finite graph with  $V = \{z_1, \dots, z_n\}$ ,  $n > 0$  weighted on the totally ordered group  $\langle \mathbb{G}, \leq, 0, + \rangle$  with no strictly negative weight.

Then the distances between any two vertices are

$$d = \hat{\omega}(p) = \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^{n+1} \quad \text{where} \quad (\text{Th.8})$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^0(x, y) \triangleq (\langle x, y \rangle \in E \ ? \ \omega(x, y) \ : \ \infty),$$

$$\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^{k+1}(x, y) \triangleq (\exists z_k \in \{x, y\} \ ? \ \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^k(x, y) \ : \ \min(\widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^k(x, y), \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^k(x, z_k) + \widehat{\mathcal{F}}_{\delta}^k(z_k, y))) \quad \square$$

Proof by calculational design based on Theorem 5.

# Roy-Floyd-Warshall shortest distances of a graph

**Algorithm 9** The Roy-Floyd-Warshall algorithm computes the shortest distances  $\omega(p) \in V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{G} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$  in a finite graph with no cycle with strictly negative weight:

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for  $x, y \in V$  do
     $d(x, y) :=$  if  $\langle x, y \rangle \in E$  then  $\omega(x, y)$  else  $\infty$ 
done;
for  $z \in V$  do
    for  $x, y \in V$  do
         $d(x, y) := \min(d(x, y), d(x, z) + d(z, y))$ 
    done
done.
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# Conclusion

## Conclusion

- The Roy-Floyd-Warshall algorithm is an abstract interpretation of a concrete path finding algorithm
- The abstraction is different at each fixpoint iteration (Theorem 5), which is unusual.
- Path problems have been observed to have a common algebraic structure
- This is because the primitive structure  $\langle \rho(V^{>1}), E, \cup, \odot \rangle$  is preserved by the abstractions

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