

## Exercise Set 12

**Exercise 12.1.** In this exercise, we use the setting of section 5.5.2 in the lecture notes. Let  $c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  depend only on direction and layer.

- (a) Let  $s = (x_s, y_s, z_s) \in V$ ,  $y_v \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $v_i = (x_s, y_v, i) \in V$  for  $i = 1, \dots, l$ . Show that shortest paths from  $s$  to  $v_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, l$  can be computed in  $\mathcal{O}(l)$  total time (so not just individually in linear time, but all  $l$ ).
- (b) Show that, without preprocessing time, one can compute  $\text{dist}_{G,c}(s, T)$  for any given  $s \in V$  and given  $T \subseteq V$  consisting of  $t$  rectangles in  $\mathcal{O}(tl)$  time (you may use the first part as a black box).

(5+5 points)

**Exercise 12.2.** Let  $G$  be an undirected graph with resistances and capacitances  $\text{res}, \text{cap}: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  on the edges. Let  $Y$  be a Steiner tree on the terminal set  $N$  rooted at the source pin  $p$  and sink pins  $N \setminus \{p\}$ . We interpret  $Y$  as an arborescence. Let  $\pi: N \setminus \{p\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  be sink capacitances. We denote by  $Y[p, q]$  the unique path from  $p$  to  $q$  in  $Y$ .

We define the Elmore delay from  $p$  to a sink  $q \in N \setminus \{p\}$  in  $Y$  as

$$\text{Elmore}_Y(p, q) := \sum_{e=(v,w) \in Y[p,q]} \text{res}(e) \left( \frac{\text{cap}(e)}{2} + \text{downcap}(w) \right)$$

where  $\text{downcap}(q)$  is  $\pi(q)$  if  $q$  is a sink pin and

$$\text{downcap}(w) := \sum_{e=(w,x) \in \delta_Y^+(w)} (\text{cap}(e) + \text{downcap}(x))$$

otherwise.

Show that subdividing an edge  $e = \{x, y\} \in E(G)$  into edges  $e_1 = \{x, z\}$  and  $e_2 = \{z, y\}$  using a new vertex  $z$  with  $\text{cap}(e_1) + \text{cap}(e_2) = \text{cap}(e)$ ,  $\text{res}(e_1) + \text{res}(e_2) = \text{res}(e)$  and  $\frac{\text{res}(e_1)}{\text{cap}(e_1)} = \frac{\text{res}(e_2)}{\text{cap}(e_2)}$  does not change the Elmore delay.

(5 points)

**Exercise 12.3.** Let  $G$  be an undirected graph with weights, resistances and capacitances  $w, \text{res}, \text{cap}: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  on the edges. Let  $\alpha > 0$ . For a path  $P$  from  $a$  to  $b$  in  $G$  let

$$\text{cost}(P) := w(P) + \alpha \text{Elmore}_P(a, b) ,$$

where  $P$  is interpreted as Steiner tree with two terminals rooted at  $a$  and  $\pi(b) = 1$ .

Let  $s, t \in V(G)$ . Assume that  $\text{cap}(e) = 1$  for all  $e \in E(G)$ .

Show that one can in polynomial time compute a path  $P$  from  $s$  to  $t$  with minimal cost.

*Hint:* Use a variation of Dijkstra's algorithm starting from  $t$  with labels  $(v, \text{downcap}(v))$  for vertices  $v$ .

(5 points)

**Deadline:** July 4, before the lecture. The websites for lecture and exercises can be found at:

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