

MAIN UNARY OPERATIONS ON ARBITRARY GRAPHS IN THE MATRIX SENSE

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Abstract: Today, science is faced with an increasing number of problems related to computerization. It is the needs of computer information processing that require the study of the possibilities of matrix representation of graphs and, as a result, matrix representation of all possible transformations of graphs. The matrix implementation of operations on graphs has its own characteristics depending on the type of each specific graph. Because of this, obviously, the procedure for their implementation is not universal. A graph can be fully characterized by the adjacency matrix. Therefore, for the matrix implementation of the considered basic unary operations on graphs, it is necessary to use the apparatus of ordinary arithmetic matrix operations described in linear algebra.

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1. Introduction

Mathematical tools for information system design employ directed and undirected graphs of arbitrary configuration to provide a visual representation of various objects and the relationships between them [1]. Interactions between different systems – each represented as a graph – can be modeled as binary operations performed on these graphs. In algebraic terms, these operations have corresponding counterparts in matrix calculus [2, 3, 4]. Unary operations on graphs represent transformations within a system – specifically, changes in the relationships between its constituent elements. The results of these operations can be calculated algebraically using either adjacency matrices or incidence matrices [5, 6]. This article focuses on the representation of certain unary operations on directed graphs specifically through the use of adjacency matrices.

2. Research results

Let's consider an directed graph G_1 and G_2 (Fig. 1).

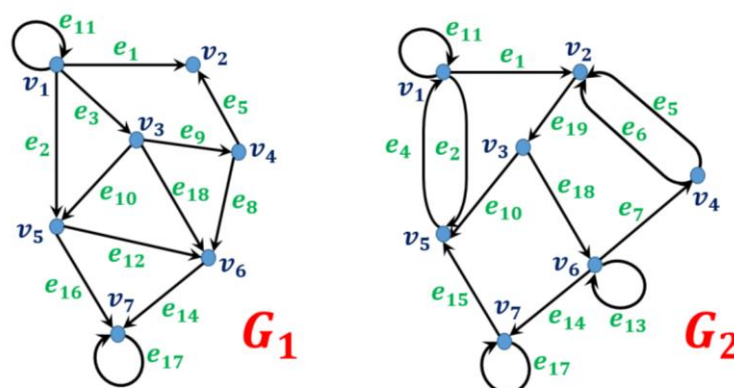


Figure 1. Directed graphs G_1 and G_2

Source of the drawing: own design

The adjacency matrix for graph G_1 can be given by the following table [7, 8, 9]:

$$A(G_1) = \begin{array}{c|ccccccc} & \text{Final} & & & & & & \\ & v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 & v_5 & v_6 & v_7 \\ \text{Initial} & v_1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & v_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & v_3 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ & v_4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ & v_5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ & v_6 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ & v_7 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

or in the usual matrix form [10, 11, 12]

$$A(G_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Deleting a vertex from a graph entails deleting all edges incident to it, which results in deleting all connections of this object or node to other objects or nodes [5]. This means that when deleting a vertex v_i from the adjacency matrix, the i -th row and i -th column must be deleted. In this regard, the algorithm for performing the operation of deleting a vertex v_i from a graph in a matrix representation is similar to the algorithm for constructing a minor M_{ii} for the adjacency matrix of this graph. For example, suppose that we want to delete vertex v_4 from graph G_1 . This is equivalent to constructing a minor M_{44} for matrix $A(G_1)$:

$$M_{44} = \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Therefore, the new graph $G'_1 = G_1 \setminus \{v_4\}$ will have the adjacency matrix corresponding to it

$$A(G'_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The algorithm for deleting rows and columns from a matrix has already been computerized. In this case, the software implementation will involve performing two shifts: for rows and columns. For a graph without isolated vertices, it is advisable to perform this operation using the adjacency matrix.

In the adjacency matrix, the sign of an isolated vertex is the presence of a zero row and column of the same name [2, 3]. In the incidence matrix, the sign of an isolated vertex is the presence of a zero row. Therefore, if the vertex to be deleting from the graph is isolated, then in this unique case it is more convenient to perform this operation using the incidence matrix. When a zero row is deleting from the incidence matrix, no connection between other vertices (objects or nodes) is broken. Therefore, there is no need to track the appearance of columns that, after deleting this row, will contain only one unit, which is not permissible for the incidence matrix [6, 13]. Using the incidence

matrix when deleting an isolated vertex halves the program implementation (there is no need to delete a column at the same time, and there will also be only one shift).

Deleting one edge involves the disappearance of a single edge (connection or relation) from the graph while preserving all vertices (objects or nodes) and the remaining connections between objects [5, 14]. Thus, only those elements in the adjacency matrix that correspond to the edges that are being deleting are changed. The remaining elements of the adjacency matrix retain their values. The order of the matrix also remains the same, because no vertex disappears from the graph as a result of deleting an edge. When a directed edge is deleting, only one element of the adjacency matrix is reducing. When an undirected edge is deleting, a pair of symmetric elements of the adjacency matrix undergo the same changes.

Let it be necessary to delete a certain number of l_{ij}^- edges between vertices v_i and v_j . Therefore, to perform this operation, it is necessary to perform the arithmetic subtraction of the matrix A_e^- from the adjacency matrix of the initial graph. In the subtractor matrix A_e^- , the elements corresponding to the edges being deleted will be equal to l_{ij}^- . The remaining elements of this matrix will be zero.

Consider, for example, the graph G_2 , to which the adjacency matrix corresponds in tabular form [7, 9]

$$A(G_2) =$$

		Final						
		v_1	v_2	v_3	v_4	v_5	v_6	v_7
Initial	v_1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0
	v_2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	v_3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
	v_4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
	v_5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	v_6	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
	v_7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

or in the usual matrix form [10, 15]

$$A(G_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In this matrix there is a pair of symmetric elements $a_{15}=a_{51}=1$. These elements correspond to a pair of oppositely directed edges, which can be replaced by a single undirected edge. Suppose that this undirected edge needs to be deleted from this graph. Suppose that in addition, one of the strictly parallel directed edges from vertex v_4 to vertex v_2 needs to be deleted from this graph. This means that in the matrix A_e^- only the elements $l_{42}^-=1$ and $l_{15}^-=l_{51}^-=1$ will be non-zero. Therefore, to calculate the adjacency matrix of the graph

$$\begin{aligned} (G_2)' &= (G_2) \setminus \{\vec{e}(v_4, v_2)\} \setminus \{e(v_1, v_5)\} = \\ &= (G_2) \setminus \{\vec{e}(v_4, v_2)\} \setminus \{\vec{e}(v_1, v_5)\} \setminus \{\vec{e}(v_5, v_1)\} \end{aligned}$$

(the notation $\vec{e}$ means that this edge is directed) can be obtained by performing the following arithmetic subtraction:

$$\begin{aligned}
A(G_2) - A_e^- &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = A((G_2)').
\end{aligned}$$

The software implementation of this operation is much simpler than its algebraic justification. To perform it, it is enough to reduce the corresponding elements of the adjacency matrix of the initial graph by the values l_{ij}^- .

The operation of inserting an edge into the graph is the inverse of the operation of deleting an edge. When inserting an directed edge, one element of the adjacency matrix is expected to increase [5, 8]. When inserting an undirected edge, a pair of symmetric elements of the adjacency matrix undergo the same changes. Let's say that between vertices v_i and v_j it is necessary to add a certain number of l_{ij}^+ edges. In the software implementation, the corresponding elements of the adjacency matrix of the initial graph are increased by the specified value. The algebraic implementation of this operation involves the arithmetic sum of two matrices. One of the terms is the adjacency matrix of the initial graph. In the second term A_e^+ , the elements corresponding to the new edges are equal to l_{ij}^+ . The remaining elements of the second term are zero.

Suppose, for example, that it is necessary to introduce into the graph G_1 two strictly parallel directed edges from the vertex v_2 to the vertex v_4 and one undirected edge between the vertices v_3 and v_7 . This means that in this case $l_{24}^+ = 2$ and $l_{37}^+ = l_{73}^+ = 1$. Then the adjacency matrix of the graph

$$G_1'' = G_1 + 2 \cdot \{\vec{e}(v_2, v_4)\} + \{e(v_3, v_7)\}$$

can be obtained by performing the following arithmetic sum:

$$\begin{aligned}
A(G_1) + A_e^+ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \\
&= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = A(G_1'').
\end{aligned}$$

3. Conclusions

Some operations are more convenient to perform with adjacency matrices, and some with incidence matrices. However, the most common algorithms are still based on processing adjacency matrices [1, 2, 3]. The same algorithms differ depending on whether directed or free graphs are

involved in the operations considered. Depending on the types of graphs, there are also restrictions on the representation of meaningful information by matrices of these graphs. But in practical applications, these limitations are usually insignificant. Therefore, for each considered unary operation on graphs and each type of graph, it is possible to propose a series of some arithmetic operations that allow obtaining the matrix of a new graph or a clear, easily programmable algorithm for transforming the matrices of the initial graphs. None of the considered unary operations on graphs is impossible in matrix implementation, and the proposed algorithms can significantly simplify computer processing of graphs.

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