

Maximum Cardinality Matching

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Abstract

A *matching* in a graph G is a subset M of the edges of G such that no two share an endpoint. A matching has maximum cardinality if its cardinality is at least as large as that of any other matching. An *odd-set cover OSC* of a graph G is a labeling of the nodes of G with integers such that every edge of G is either incident to a node labeled 1 or connects two nodes labeled with the same number $i \geq 2$.

Theorem 1 (Edmonds [2]). Let M be a matching in a graph G and let OSC be an odd-set cover of G . For any $i \geq 0$, let n_i be the number of nodes labeled i . If

$$|M| = n_1 + \sum_{i \geq 2} \lfloor n_i/2 \rfloor$$

then M is a maximum cardinality matching.

We provide an Isabelle proof of Edmonds theorem. For an explanation of the proof see [1].

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theory <i>Matching</i>	
imports <i>Main</i>	
begin	
type-synonym <i>label</i> = <i>nat</i>	

1 Definitions

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definition finite-graph :: 'v set => ('v * 'v) set => bool where
  finite-graph V E = (finite V & finite E &
  ( $\forall e \in E. fst e \in V \wedge snd e \in V \wedge fst e \sim= snd e$ ))

definition degree :: ('v * 'v) set => 'v => nat where
  degree E v = card {e ∈ E. fst e = v ∨ snd e = v}

definition edge-as-set :: ('v * 'v) => 'v set where
  edge-as-set e = {fst e, snd e}

definition N :: 'v set => ('v => label) => nat => nat where
  N V L i = card {v ∈ V. L v = i}

definition weight:: label set => (label => nat) => nat where
  weight LV f =  $f 1 + (\sum_{i \in LV} (f i) \text{ div } 2)$ 

definition OSC :: ('v => label) => ('v * 'v) set => bool where
  OSC L E = ( $\forall e \in E. L (fst e) = 1 \vee L (snd e) = 1 \vee$ 
   $L (fst e) = L (snd e) \wedge L (fst e) > 1$ )

definition disjoint-edges :: ('v * 'v) => ('v * 'v) => bool where
  disjoint-edges e1 e2 = (fst e1 ≠ fst e2 & fst e1 ≠ snd e2 &
  snd e1 ≠ fst e2 & snd e1 ≠ snd e2)

definition matching :: 'v set => ('v * 'v) set => ('v * 'v) set => bool where
  matching V E M = ( $M \subseteq E \wedge$  finite-graph V E &
  ( $\forall e1 \in M. \forall e2 \in M. e1 \neq e2 \longrightarrow$  disjoint-edges e1 e2))

definition matching-i :: nat => 'v set => ('v * 'v) set => ('v * 'v) set =>
  ('v => label) => ('v * 'v) set where
  matching-i i V E M L = {e ∈ M. i=1 & (L (fst e) = i ∨ L (snd e) = i)
  ∨  $i > 1 \wedge L (fst e) = i \wedge L (snd e) = i$ }

definition V-i:: nat => 'v set => ('v * 'v) set => ('v * 'v) set =>
  ('v => label) => 'v set where
  V-i i V E M L =  $\bigcup$  (edge-as-set ' matching-i i V E M L)

definition endpoint-inV :: 'v set => ('v * 'v) => 'v where
  endpoint-inV V e = (if fst e ∈ V then fst e else snd e)

definition relevant-endpoint :: ('v => label) => 'v set =>
  ('v * 'v) => 'v where
  relevant-endpoint L V e = (if L (fst e) = 1 then fst e else snd e)

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2 Lemmas

lemma definition-of-range:

*endpoint-inV V1 ‘ matching-i 1 V E M L =
{ v. $\exists e \in \text{matching-i } 1 V E M L. \text{ endpoint-inV } V1 e = v \}$ ⟨proof⟩*

lemma *matching-i-edges-as-sets:*

*edge-as-set ‘ matching-i i V E M L =
{ e1. $\exists (u, v) \in \text{matching-i } i V E M L. \text{ edge-as-set } (u, v) = e1 \}$ ⟨proof⟩*

lemma *matching-disjointness:*

assumes *matching V E M*
assumes *e1 ∈ M*
assumes *e2 ∈ M*
assumes *e1 ≠ e2*
shows *edge-as-set e1 ∩ edge-as-set e2 = {}*
⟨proof⟩

lemma *expand-set-containment:*

assumes *matching V E M*
assumes *e ∈ M*
shows *e ∈ E*
⟨proof⟩

theorem *injectivity:*

assumes *is-osc: OSC L E*
assumes *is-m: matching V E M*
assumes *e1-in-M1: e1 ∈ matching-i 1 V E M L*
and *e2-in-M1: e2 ∈ matching-i 1 V E M L*
assumes *diff: (e1 ≠ e2)*
shows *endpoint-inV {v ∈ V. L v = 1} e1 ≠ endpoint-inV {v ∈ V. L v = 1} e2*
⟨proof⟩

2.1 $|M1| \leq n1$

lemma *card-M1-le-NVL1:*
assumes *matching V E M*
assumes *OSC L E*
shows *card (matching-i 1 V E M L) ≤ (N VL 1)*
⟨proof⟩

lemma *edge-as-set-inj-on-Mi:*

assumes *matching V E M*
shows *inj-on edge-as-set (matching-i i V E M L)*
⟨proof⟩

lemma *card-Mi-eq-card-edge-as-set-Mi:*

assumes *matching V E M*
shows *card (matching-i i V E M L) = card (edge-as-set ‘ matching-i i V E M L)*
(is *card ?Mi = card (?f ‘ -)*
⟨proof⟩

lemma *card-edge-as-set-Mi-twice-card-partitions*:
assumes $OSC L E \wedge matching V E M \wedge i > 1$
shows $2 * card (edge-as-set' matching-i i V E M L) = card (V-i i V E M L)$ (**is** $2 * card ?C = card ?Vi$)
(proof)

lemma *card-Mi-twice-card-Vi*:
assumes $OSC L E \wedge matching V E M \wedge i > 1$
shows $2 * card (matching-i i V E M L) = card (V-i i V E M L)$
(proof)

lemma *card-Mi-le-floor-div-2-Vi*:
assumes $OSC L E \wedge matching V E M \wedge i > 1$
shows $card (matching-i i V E M L) \leq (card (V-i i V E M L)) \text{ div } 2$
(proof)

lemma *card-Vi-le-NVLi*:
assumes $i > 1 \wedge matching V E M$
shows $card (V-i i V E M L) \leq N V L i$
(proof)

$$2.2 \quad |Mi| \leq \lfloor ni/2 \rfloor$$

lemma *card-Mi-le-floor-div-2-NVLi*:
assumes $OSC L E \wedge matching V E M \wedge i > 1$
shows $card (matching-i i V E M L) \leq (N V L i) \text{ div } 2$
(proof)

$$2.3 \quad |M| \leq \sum |Mi|$$

lemma *card-M-le-sum-card-Mi*:
assumes $matching V E M$ **and** $OSC L E$
shows $card M \leq (\sum i \in L ' V. card (matching-i i V E M L))$
(**is** $card - \leq ?CardMi$)
(proof)

theorem *card-M-le-weight-NVLi*:
assumes $matching V E M$ **and** $OSC L E$
shows $card M \leq weight \{i \in L ' V. i > 1\} (N V L)$ (**is** $- \leq ?W$)
(proof)

3 Final Theorem

The following theorem is due to Edmond [2]:

theorem *maximum-cardinality-matching*:
assumes $matching V E M$ **and** $OSC L E$
and $card M = weight \{i \in L ' V. i > 1\} (N V L)$

and matching $V E M'$
shows $\text{card } M' \leq \text{card } M$
 $\langle \text{proof} \rangle$

The widely used algorithmic library LEDA has a certifying algorithm for maximum cardinality matching. This Isabelle proof is part of the work done to verify the checker of this certifying algorithm. For more information see [1].

end

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