Minimum Spanning Tree for Variant Weighting

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Summary
This paper proposed a method to find out the number of minimum spanning tree with time variant weighting network. Using the proposed method, it is possible to find out how many devices are required to keep the quality of transmission good in a ad hoc network.

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1. Introduction
Recently, the progress of mobile device technology is very fast. More and more people use mobile network every day. To make the quality of transmission better and make the price cost down is very important. This paper focuses on the improvement to the transmission quality of a mobile network. The aim of this paper is find the time to change the network topology in order to keep the quality of transmission and keep lowest power requirement. Because the location of nodes in a network is dynamic and the power need is inversely proportional to the distance of two connect nodes. That is the best topologies of an ad hoc network will change. The traditional algorithm is not very suitable for this situation. The minimum spanning tree will change after weighting are different.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows: the problem definition introduced in Section 2; Relative knowledge is described in the section 3; the proposed method is demonstrated in Section 4; and the results are presented in Section 5; the conclusions are given in Section 6.

2. Problem definition
In this section, the problem will be defined. In the original idea, the paper will design an algorithm to find out how many device are necessary to keep the cost is minimum. The problem can be transform to find out how many minimum spanning tree when the weighting is time variant. It is very difficult to determine the number of device if the weighting functions alternate. To simply it, assume the weighting function is a polynomial function.
Assume there are \( n \) nodes in an ad hoc network system. It can be described as:

- **input**: a complete graph \( G(V,E) \)
- **output**: the number of minimum spanning tree

### 3. Relative knowledge

In order to describe the proposed method, some background knowledge is shown as below:

#### 3.1 Kruskal's algorithm \([1] \)

Kruskal's algorithm is a greedy algorithm in graph theory that finds a minimum spanning tree for a connected weighted graph. The procedure is shown as below:

1. create a forest \( F \) (a set of trees), where each vertex in the graph is a separate tree
2. create a set \( S \) containing all the edges in the graph
3. while \( S \) is nonempty and \( F \) is not yet spanning
   3.1 remove an edge with minimum weight from \( S \)
   3.2 if that edge connects two different trees, then add it to the forest, combining two trees into a single tree
4. otherwise discard that edge.

The time complexity of Kruskal's algorithm is \( O(E \log E) = O(E \log V) \).

#### 3.2 Depth-first search \([2] \)

Depth-first search is an algorithm for traversing or searching a tree, tree structure, or graph. One starts at the root (selecting some node as the root in the graph case) and explores as far as possible along each branch before backtracking.

The time complexity of Kruskal's algorithm is \( O(|V|+|E|) \).

### 4. Proposed method

**Input**: \( G(V,E) \)

**Output**: number of minimum spanning tree

**Step 1**: find out all tree in \( G \)

**Step 2**: determine all

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y_i(N) = \sum_{x=0}^{n-1} w_x(N) b_x(N) = \sum_{x=0}^{n-1} f_x(N) b_x(N)
\]

5. **An example**

Assume that there are three node A, B and C. The locations are \( P_A, P_B \), and \( P_C \). The weighting functions are linear equation. \( V_A(t), V_B(t) \) and \( V_C(t) \).

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P_A(t) = P_A + V_A(t) \quad (1)
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P_B(t) = P_B + V_B(t) \quad (2)
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\[
P_C(t) = P_C + V_C(t) \quad (3)
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The weightings are

\[
W_{AB}(t) = |P_A(t) - P_B(t)| \quad (4)
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\[
W_{AC}(t) = |P_A(t) - P_C(t)| \quad (4)
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\[
W_{BC}(t) = |P_B(t) - P_C(t)| \quad (4)
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### 6. Conclusions

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