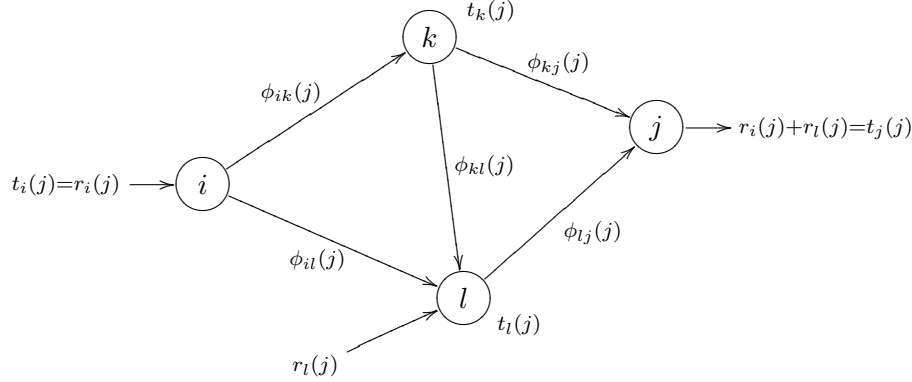


# Equations Handout for Robert Gallager's Minimum Delay Routing Algorithm Using Distributed Computation

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## 1 Model and Analysis



### Model Variables

- Set of  $n$  nodes enumerated by  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$
- Set of links:  $\mathcal{L} := \{(i, j) \text{ is existing link}\}$
- Input traffic set  $\mathbf{r} := \{r_i(j)\}$   
 $r_i(j)$  traffic entering at  $i$  and exiting at  $j$ .
- Node flow set  $\mathbf{t} := \{t_i(j)\}$   
 $t_i(j)$  traffic at node  $i$  destined for  $j$ .
- Routing variable set  $\phi := \{\phi_{ik}(j)\}$ .  
 $\phi_{ik}(j)$  fraction of traffic  $t_i(j)$ , which travels over the link  $(i, k)$ .

### Constraints on $\phi$

1. No traffic on non-existing links and no loop-back traffic

$$\phi_{ik}(j) = 0 \quad \forall (i, j) \notin \mathcal{L} \text{ or } i = j$$

2. No loss of traffic is allowed.

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \phi_{ik}(j) = 1 \quad \forall i, j$$

3. All nodes are inter-connected.

$$\phi_{ik}(j) > 0, \phi_{kl}(j) > 0, \dots, \phi_{mj}(j) > 0 \\ \exists i, k, l, \dots, m, j \quad \forall i, j$$

### Traffic Aggregation Equation

$$t_i(j) = r_i(j) + \sum_{l=1}^n t_l(j) \phi_{li}(j)$$

### Total Traffic on a Link

$$f_{ik} = \sum_j t_i(j) \phi_{ik}(j)$$

### Total Delay

$$D_T = \sum_{i,k} D_{ik}(f_{ik})$$

### Partial Derivative Regarding Input Traffic

$$\frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_i(j)} = \sum_k \phi_{ik}(j) \left( D'_{ik}(f_{ik}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)} \right)$$

### Partial Derivative Regarding Routing Variables

$$\frac{\partial D_T}{\partial \phi_{ik}(j)} = t_i(j) \left( D'_{ik}(f_{ik}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)} \right)$$

### Necessary Condition

$$\frac{\partial D_T}{\partial \phi_{ik}(j)} \begin{cases} = \lambda_{ij}, & \phi_{ik}(j) > 0 \\ \geq \lambda_{ij}, & \phi_{ik}(j) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \forall i \neq j \quad \forall (i, k)$$

### Sufficient Condition

$$\frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_i(j)} \leq D'_{ik}(f_{ik}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)}$$

### Iterative Version

$$D'_{ik}(f_{ik}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)} \geq \min_{(i,m) \in \mathcal{L}} \left( D'_{im}(f_{im}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_m(j)} \right)$$

## 2 Algorithm

### Difference to Best Link

$$a_{ik}(j) = \underbrace{D'_{ik}(f_{ik}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)}}_{\text{on link } k} - \underbrace{\left( D'_{ib}(f_{ib}) + \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_b(j)} \right)}_{\text{on the best link}}$$

### Reduction

$$\Delta_{ik}(j) = \min \left\{ \phi_{ik}(j), \frac{\eta}{t_i(j)} a_{ik}(j) \right\}$$

### New Routing Variables

$$\phi_{ik}^1(j) = \begin{cases} \phi_{ik}(j) - \Delta_{ik}(j) & \text{if } (i, k) \text{ is not the best link} \\ \phi_{ib}(j) + \sum_{\substack{(i,m) \in \mathcal{L} \\ m \neq b}} \Delta_{im}(j) & \text{if } (i, k) \text{ is the best link and therefore } k = b \end{cases}$$

### Improper Routing Variable

$$\phi_{ik}(j) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_i(j)} \leq \frac{\partial D_T}{\partial r_k(j)}$$