

## Read on your own

- Strongly connected components  
(22.3 in Edition 2, 22.5 in Edition 3).

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## Shortest path problems

Single-source shortest paths in weighted graphs

- Shortest-Path Problems
- Properties of Shortest Paths, Relaxation
- Dijkstra's Algorithm
- Bellman-Ford Algorithm
- Shortest-Paths in DAG's

## Shortest Path

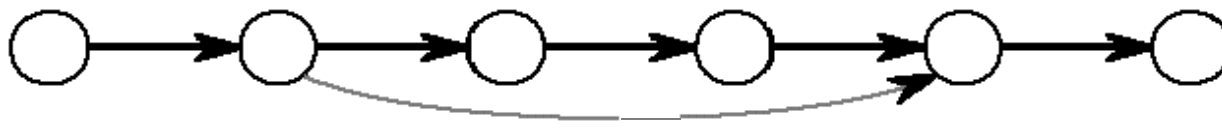
- Generalize distance to weighted setting
- Digraph  $G = (V, E)$  with weight function  $W: E \rightarrow R$  (assigning real values to edges)
- Weight of path  $p = v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_k$  is
$$w(p) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} w(v_i, v_{i+1})$$
- Shortest path = a path of the minimum weight
- Applications
  - static/dynamic network routing
  - robot motion planning
  - map/route generation in traffic

## Shortest path problems

- Shortest-Path problems
  - Unweighted shortest-paths – BFS.
  - **Single-source, single-destination:** Given two vertices, find a shortest path between them.
  - **Single-source, all destinations:** Find a shortest path from a given source (vertex  $s$ ) to each of the vertices. The topic of this lecture.  
[Solution to this problem solves the previous problem efficiently]. Greedy algorithm!
  - **All-pairs.** Find shortest-paths for every pair of vertices. Dynamic programming algorithm.

## Optimal Substructure

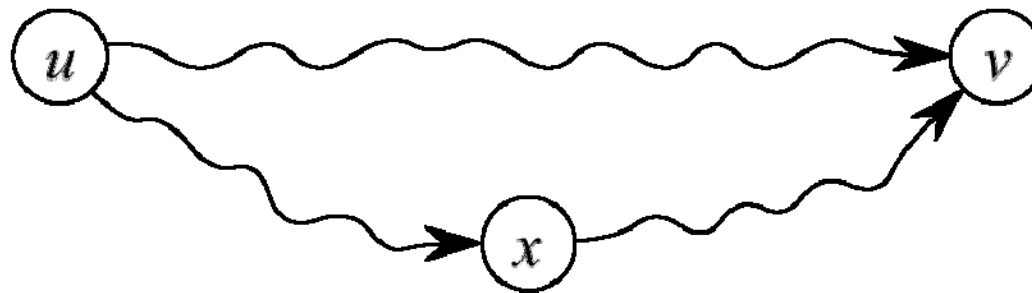
- Theorem: subpaths of shortest paths are shortest paths
- Proof (cut and paste)
  - if some subpath were not the shortest path, one could substitute the shorter subpath and create a shorter total path



**Suggests that there may be a greedy algorithm**

# Triangle Inequality

- Definition
  - $\delta(u,v) \equiv$  weight of a shortest path from  $u$  to  $v$
- Theorem
  - $\delta(u,v) \leq \delta(u,x) + \delta(x,v)$  for any  $x$
- Proof
  - shortest path  $u \rightarrow v$  is no longer than any other path  $u \rightarrow v$  – in particular, the path concatenating the shortest path  $u \rightarrow x$  with the shortest path  $x \rightarrow v$

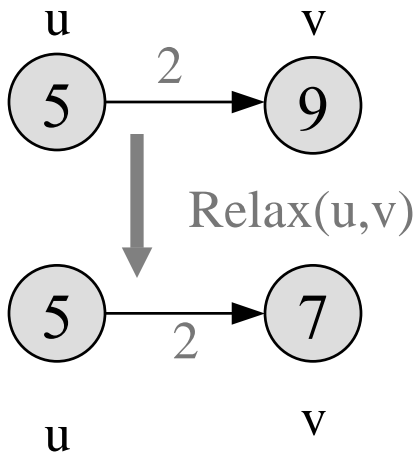


## Negative Weights and Cycles?

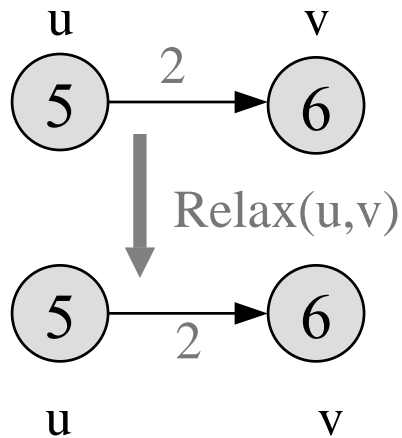
- Negative edges are OK, as long as there are no *negative weight cycles* (otherwise paths with arbitrary small “lengths” would be possible)
- Shortest-paths can have no cycles (otherwise we could improve them by removing cycles)
  - Any shortest-path in graph  $G$  can be no longer than  $n - 1$  edges, where  $n$  is the number of vertices

## Relaxation

- For each vertex in the graph, we maintain  $d[v]$ , the estimate of the shortest path from  $s$ , initialized to  $\infty$  at start
- Relaxing an edge  $(u,v)$  means testing whether we can improve the shortest path to  $v$  found so far by going through  $u$



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**Relax** ( $u, v, w$ )

**if**  $d[v] >$

$d[u] + w(u, v)$  **then**

$d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$

$\pi[v] \leftarrow u$



## Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Non-negative edge weights
- Greedy, similar to Prim's algorithm for MST
- Like breadth-first search (if all weights = 1, one can simply use BFS)
- Use  $Q$ , priority queue keyed by  $d[v]$  (BFS used FIFO queue, here we use a PQ, which is re-organized whenever some  $d$  decreases)
- Basic idea
  - maintain a set  $S$  of solved vertices
  - at each step select "closest" vertex  $u$ , add it to  $S$ , and relax all edges from  $u$

## Dijkstra's Algorithm: pseudocode

- Graph  $G$ , weight function  $w$ , root  $s$

DIJKSTRA( $G, w, s$ )

1 **for** each  $v \in V$

2     **do**  $d[v] \leftarrow \infty$

3  $d[s] \leftarrow 0$

4  $S \leftarrow \emptyset$   $\triangleright$  Set of discovered nodes

5  $Q \leftarrow V$

6 **while**  $Q \neq \emptyset$

7     **do**  $u \leftarrow \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

8      $S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$

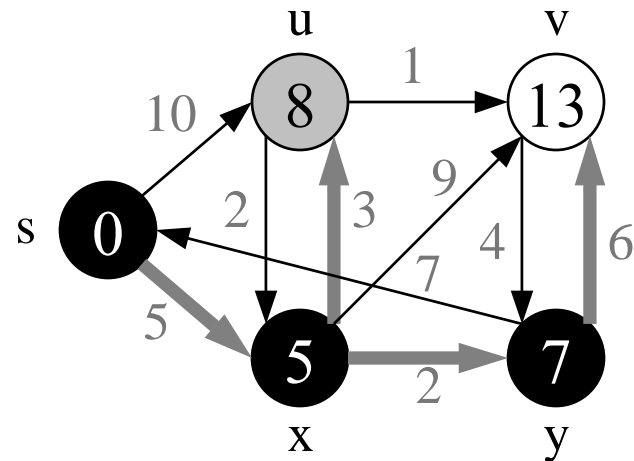
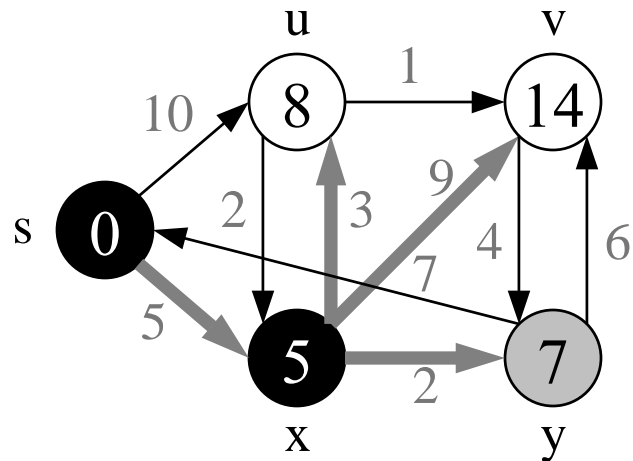
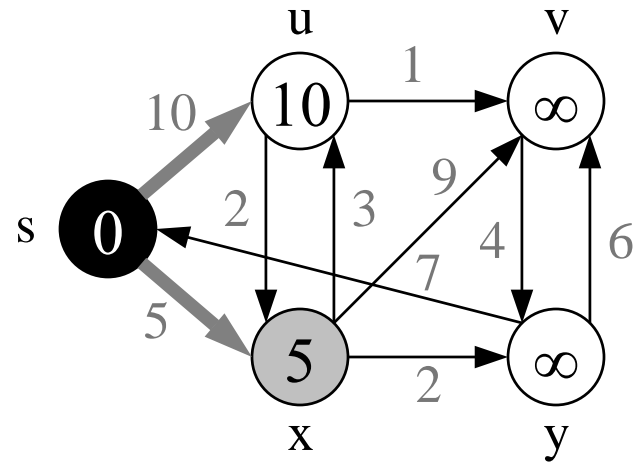
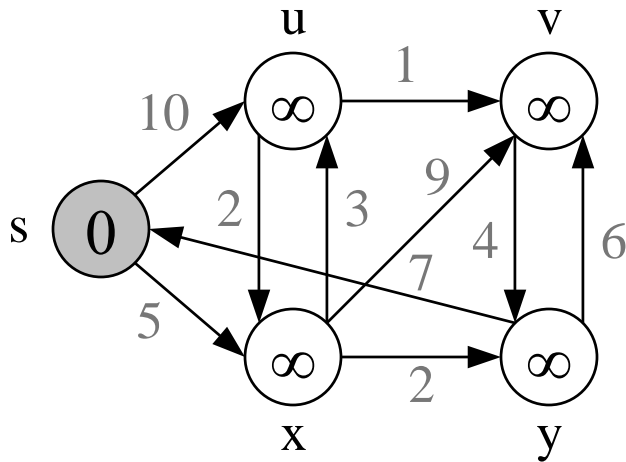
9         **for** each  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

10             **do if**  $d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$

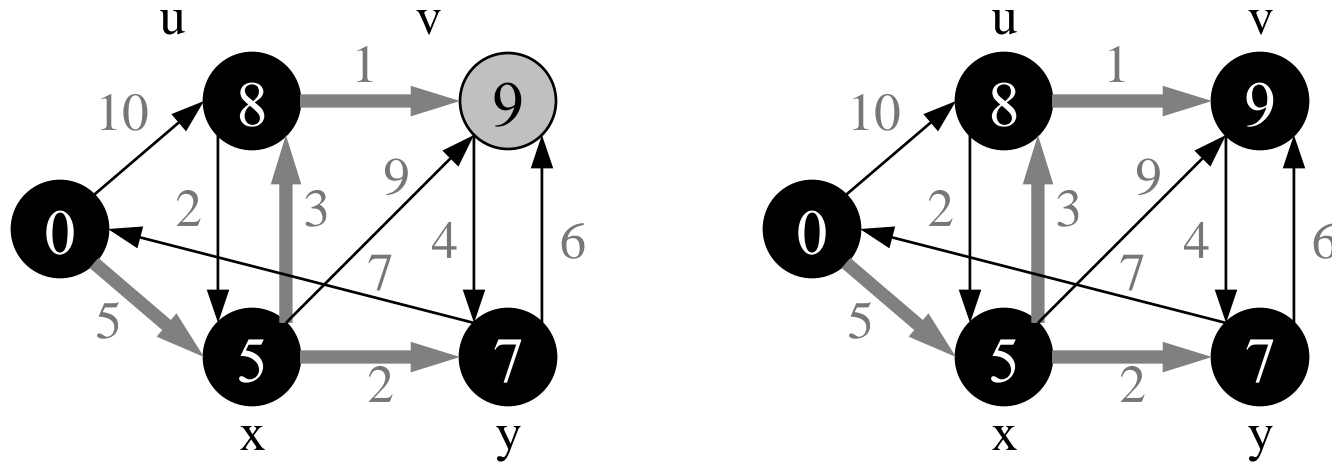
11                 **then**  $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$

relaxing  
edges

# Dijkstra's Algorithm: example



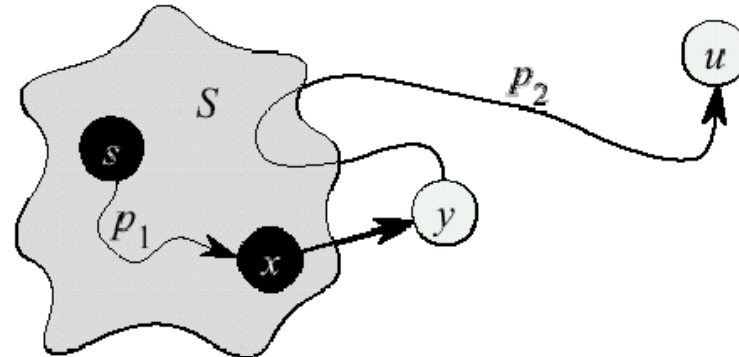
## Dijkstra's Algorithm: example (2)



- Observe
  - relaxation step (lines 10-11)
  - setting  $d[v]$  updates  $Q$  (needs Decrease-Key)
  - similar to Prim's MST algorithm

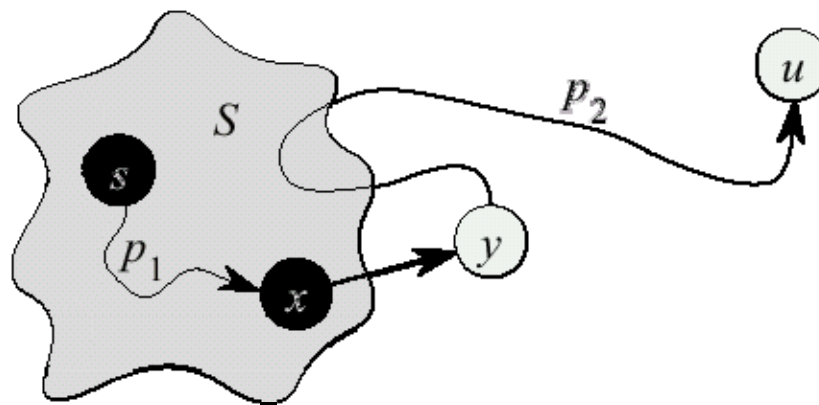
## Dijkstra's Algorithm: correctness

- We will prove that **whenever  $u$  is added to  $S$** ,  $d[u] = d(s,u)$ , i.e., that  $d$  is minimum, and that equality is maintained thereafter
- Proof
  - Note that  $\forall v, d[v] \geq d(s,v)$
  - Let  $u$  be the first **vertex picked** such that there is a shorter path than  $d[u]$ , i.e., that  $\Rightarrow d[u] > d(s,u)$
  - We will show that this assumption leads to a contradiction



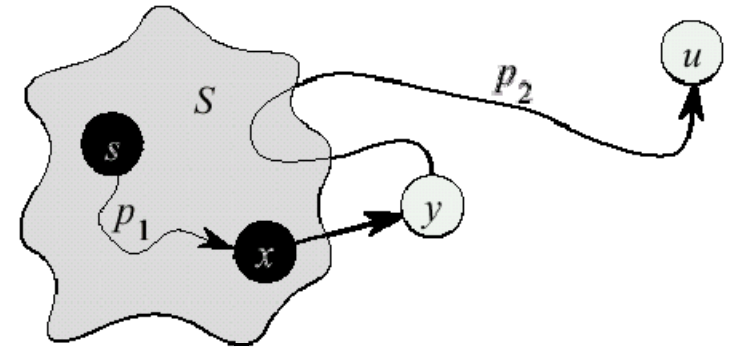
## Dijkstra's Algorithm: correctness (2)

- Let  $y$  be the first vertex  $\in V - S$  on the actual shortest path from  $s$  to  $u$ , then it must be that  $d[y] = \delta(s, y)$  because
  - $d[x]$  is set correctly for  $y$ 's predecessor  $x \in S$  on the shortest path (by choice of  $u$  as the first vertex for which  $d$  is set incorrectly)
  - when the algorithm inserted  $x$  into  $S$ , it relaxed the edge  $(x, y)$ , assigning  $d[y]$  the correct value



## Dijkstra's Algorithm: correctness (3)

$$\begin{aligned}d[u] &> \delta(s, u) && \text{(initial assumption)} \\&= \delta(s, y) + \delta(y, u) && \text{(optimal substructure)} \\&= d[y] + \delta(y, u) && \text{(correctness of } d[y]) \\&\geq d[y] && \text{(no negative weights)}\end{aligned}$$



- But  $d[u] > d[y] \Rightarrow$  algorithm would have chosen  $y$  (from the PQ) to process next, not  $u \Rightarrow$  Contradiction
- Thus  $d[u] = \delta(s, u)$  at time of insertion of  $u$  into  $S$ , and Dijkstra's algorithm is correct

## Dijkstra's Algorithm: running time

- Extract-Min executed  $|V|$  time
- Decrease-Key executed  $|E|$  time
- Time =  $|V| T_{\text{Extract-Min}} + |E| T_{\text{Decrease-Key}}$
- $T$  depends on different Q implementations

Q	T(Extract-Min)	T(Decrease-Key)	Total
array	$O(V)$	$O(1)$	$O(V^2)$
binary heap	$O(\lg V)$	$O(\lg V)$	$O(E \lg V)$
Fibonacci heap	$O(\lg V)$	$O(1)$ (amort.)	$O(V \lg V + E)$



## Bellman-Ford Algorithm

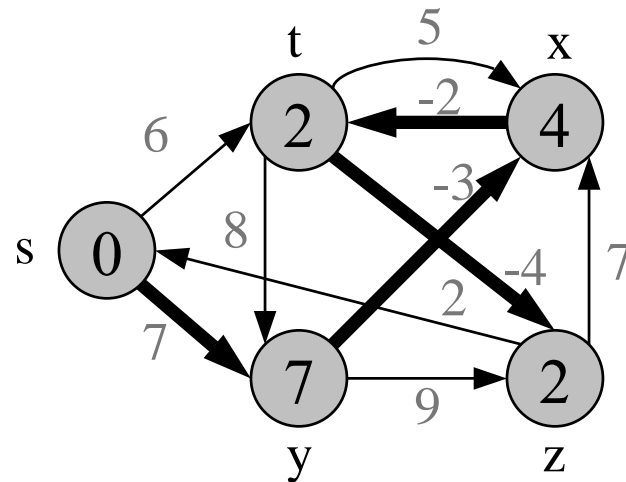
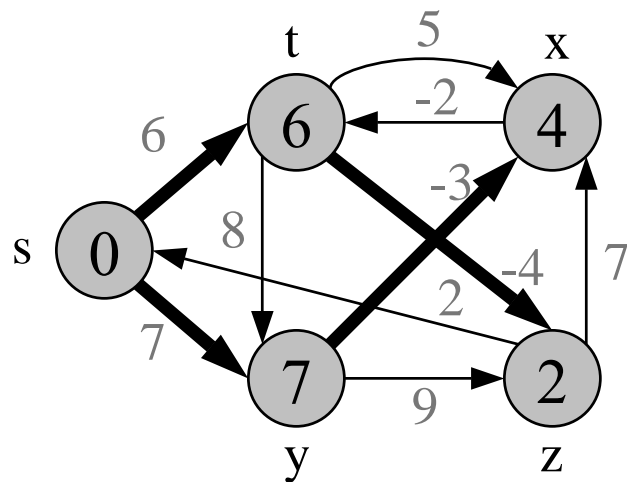
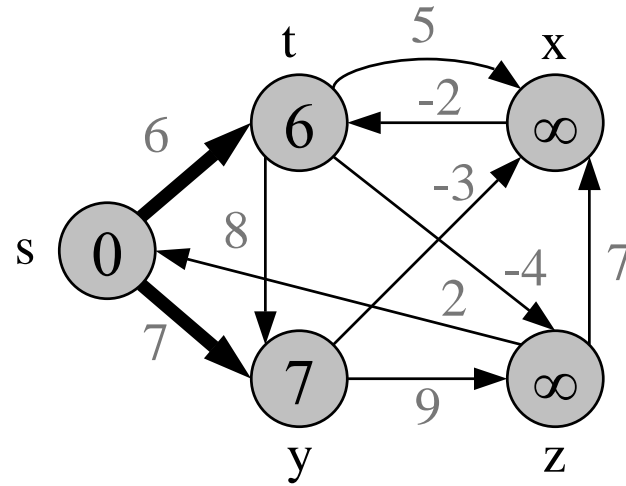
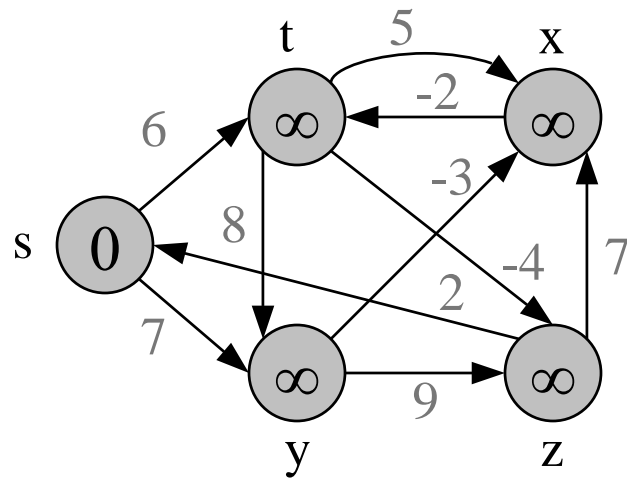
- Dijkstra's doesn't work when there are negative edges:
  - Intuition: we can not be greedy any more on the assumption that the lengths of paths will only increase in the future
- Bellman-Ford algorithm detects negative cycles (returns *false*) or returns the shortest path-tree

# Bellman-Ford Algorithm

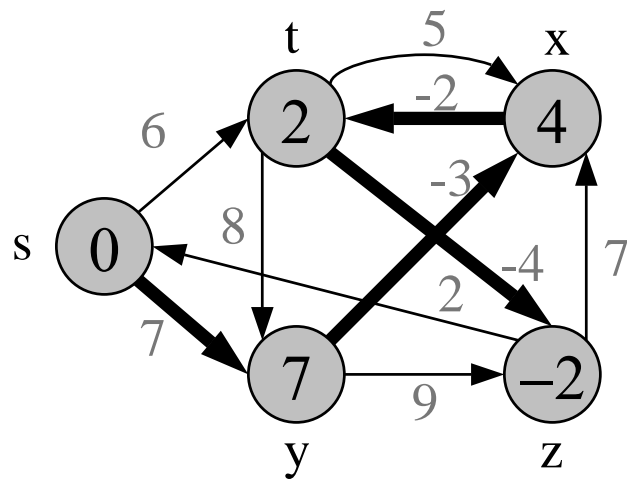
**Bellman-Ford**( $G, w, s$ )

```
01 for each  $v \in V[G]$ 
02      $d[v] \leftarrow \infty$ 
03  $d[s] \leftarrow 0$ 
04  $\pi[s] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$ 
05 for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $|V[G]|-1$  do
06     for each edge  $(u,v) \in E[G]$  do
07         Relax ( $u,v,w$ )
08 for each edge  $(u,v) \in E[G]$  do
09     if  $d[v] > d[u] + w(u,v)$  then return false
10 return true
```

# Bellman-Ford Algorithm: example



## Bellman-Ford Algorithm: example (2)



- Bellman-Ford running time:
  - $(|V|-1)|E| + |E| = \Theta(|V||E|)$

## Bellman-Ford Algorithm: correctness

- Let  $\delta_i(s,u)$  denote the length of path from  $s$  to  $u$ , that is shortest among all paths, that contain at most  $i$  edges
- Prove by induction that  $d[u] = \delta_i(s,u)$  after the  $i$ -th iteration of Bellman-Ford
  - Base case ( $i=0$ ) trivial
  - Inductive step (say  $d[u] = \delta_{i-1}(s,u)$ ):
    - Either  $\delta_i(s,u) = \delta_{i-1}(s,u)$
    - Or  $\delta_i(s,u) = \delta_{i-1}(s,z) + w(z,u)$
    - In an iteration we try to relax each edge  $((z,u)$  also), so we will catch both cases, thus  $d[u] = \delta_i(s,u)$

## Bellman-Ford Algorithm: correctness (2)

- After  $n-1$  iterations,  $d[u] = \delta_{n-1}(s, u)$ , for each vertex  $u$ .
- If there is still some edge to relax in the graph, then there is a vertex  $u$ , such that  $\delta_n(s, u) < \delta_{n-1}(s, u)$ . But there are only  $n$  vertices in  $G$  – we have a cycle, and it must be negative.
- Otherwise,  $d[u] = \delta_{n-1}(s, u) = \delta(s, u)$ , for all  $u$ , since any shortest path will have at most  $n-1$  edges

## Shortest-Path in DAG's

- Finding shortest paths in DAG's is much easier, because it is easy to find an order in which to do relaxations – Topological sorting!

**DAG-Shortest-Paths** ( $G, w, s$ )

```
01 for each  $v \in V[G]$ 
02      $d[v] \leftarrow \infty$ 
03  $d[s] \leftarrow 0$ 
04 topologically sort  $V[G]$ 
05 for each vertex  $u$ , taken in topological order do
06     for each vertex  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$  do
07         Relax( $u, v, w$ )
```

## Shortest-Path in DAG's (2)

- Running time:  
 $\Theta(V+E)$  – only one relaxation for each edge,  
V times faster than Bellman-Ford



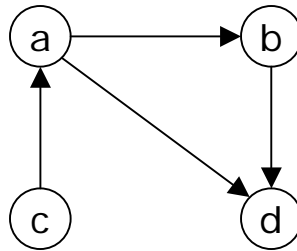
## Next....

Next: All-pairs shortest paths in weighted graphs

- Matrix multiplication and shortest-paths
- Floyd Warshall algorithm
- Transitive closure

## All-pairs shortest paths

- Suppose that we want to calculate information about shortest paths between all pairs of vertices.



- We have a matrix  $W$  of weights:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \infty & 1 \\ \infty & 0 & \infty & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- We want a matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \infty & 1 \\ \infty & 0 & \infty & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

## A Recursive Solution

- $l_{ij}^{(0)} = 0$  if  $i=j$   
 $= \infty$  otherwise
- $l_{ij}^{(m)} = \min (l_{ij}^{(m-1)}, \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{l_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj}\})$   
 $= \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{l_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj}\}$

$$\delta(i,j) = l_{ij}^{(n-1)} = l_{ij}^{(n)} = l_{ij}^{(n+1)} \dots$$

## Matrix multiplication:

- If  $A$  is the adjacency matrix for a graph  $G$ , then the  $ij^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $A^n$  is exactly the number of ways you can get from vertex  $i$  to vertex  $j$  in exactly  $n$  steps.

$$(A^{m+1})_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^q (A^m)_{ik} A_{kj}$$

# ways to get from  $i$   
to  $k$  in exactly  $m$   
steps

# ways to get from  $k$   
to  $j$  in one step

If we replace addition of elements by *minimum*, and multiplication of elements by *addition*, then the  $ij^{\text{th}}$  entry of  $W^n$  is exactly the shortest path from vertex  $i$  to vertex  $j$  in at most  $n$  steps.

$$(W^{m+1})_{ij} = \min_{k=1}^q ((W^m)_{ik} + W_{kj})$$

Shortest path weight  
for  $m$  steps from  $i$  to  $k$

Weight for a further  
step from  $k$  to  $j$

## Matrix Multiplication contd.

- As in Bellman-Ford, no shortest path has more than  $|V|-1$  vertices in it. Therefore, all the information that we need can be read from the entries in  $W^{|V|-1}$ .
- Each matrix “multiplication” takes  $O(V^3)$ .

## Matrix Multiplication - complexity

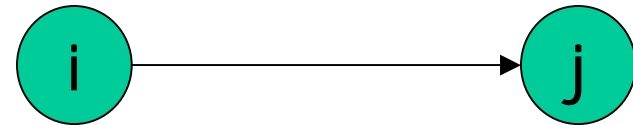
- Calculating  $W^{|V|-1}$  takes:
  - $O(V^4)$  if we do naïve exponentiation:
    - $A^0 = I$
    - $A^{m+1} = A A^m$
  - Q: How many multiplications are required to compute  $x^n$  ?
  - $O(V^3 \log V)$  if we do fast exponentiation:
    - $A^0 = I$
    - $A^1 = A$
    - $A^{2m} = (A^m)^2$
    - $A^{2m+1} = A (A^m)^2$

## The Floyd-Warshall algorithm

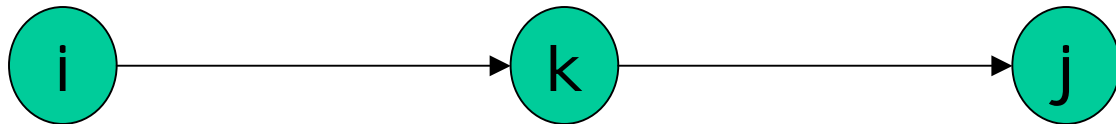
- Instead of increasing the length of the path allowed at each step, suppose that we increase the number of vertices that can be used in forming such paths.
- Let  $D^{(k)}$  be the matrix whose  $ij$  th component is the shortest-path weight for a path from vertex  $i$  to vertex  $j$  using only vertices 1 through  $k$  as intermediates.
- Note that  $D^{(0)} = W$ . How can we calculate  $D^{(n+1)}$  in terms of  $D^{(n)}$  ?

## Floyd-Warshall algorithm – contd.

- A shortest path from  $i$  to  $j$  with intermediate vertices in  $1..k$  is either:
  - A shortest path from  $i$  to  $j$  with intermediate vertices in  $1..(k-1)$ .



- A shortest path from  $i$  to  $k$ , and a shortest path from  $k$  to  $j$ , both with vertices in  $1..(k-1)$ .



- Hence, for  $k > 1$ , we can define:

$$d^{(k)}_{ij} = \min(d^{(k-1)}_{ij}, d^{(k-1)}_{ik} + d^{(k-1)}_{kj})$$



## The Floyd-Warshall algorithm

- Let  $n = |V|$ , and calculate all  $F[k]$  values using:

Time *and space*  
complexity are  $O(V^3)$

FLOYD-WARSHALL( $W$ )

```
1   $n \leftarrow \text{rows}[W]$ 
2   $D^{(0)} \leftarrow W$ 
3  for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
4      do for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
5          do for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
6              do  $d_{ij}^{(k)} \leftarrow \min(d_{ij}^{(k-1)}, d_{ik}^{(k-1)} + d_{kj}^{(k-1)})$ 
7  return  $D^{(n)}$ 
```

## Floyd-Warshall algorithm - improvement

- In fact, we can do better - we only want  $D^{(n)}$  :
- Store only  $D^{(n)}$
- Time complexity is  $O(V^3)$ , space complexity is  $O(V^2)$ .

## Transitive closure

Given a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$ , construct a new graph  $G' = (V, E')$  in which  $(i, j) \in E'$  if there is a path From  $i$  to  $j$  in  $G$ .

- $t_{ij}^{(0)} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$  and  $(i, j) \notin E$   
     $= 1$  if  $i = j$  or  $(i, j) \in E$

And for  $m > 0$

$$t_{ij}^{(m)} = t_{ij}^{(m-1)} \vee (t_{im}^{(m-1)} \wedge t_{mj}^{(m-1)})$$

- Reachability queries

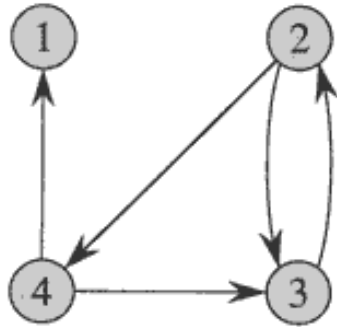
## Transitive closure algorithm

Very similar to Floyd Warshall:

TRANSITIVE-CLOSURE( $G$ )

```
1   $n \leftarrow |V[G]|$ 
2  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
3      do for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
4          do if  $i = j$  or  $(i, j) \in E[G]$ 
5              then  $t_{ij}^{(0)} \leftarrow 1$ 
6              else  $t_{ij}^{(0)} \leftarrow 0$ 
7  for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
8      do for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
9          do for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ 
10             do  $t_{ij}^{(k)} \leftarrow t_{ij}^{(k-1)} \vee (t_{ik}^{(k-1)} \wedge t_{kj}^{(k-1)})$ 
11  return  $T^{(n)}$ 
```

## Transitive closure example



$$T^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(2)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$T^{(3)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad T^{(4)} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Figure 25.5** A directed graph and the matrices  $T^{(k)}$  computed by the transitive-closure algorithm.

## Summary

- We have seen different algorithms for:
  - computing spanning trees;
  - computing minimum spanning trees;
  - computing single-source shortest paths;
  - computing all-pairs shortest paths.
  - Computing transitive closure.
- Greedy algorithms and dynamic programming play key roles in these algorithms.