#### Next....

# 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 → R (assigning real values to edges)
- Weight of path  $p = v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow ... \rightarrow v_k$  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.

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#### **Optimal Substructure**

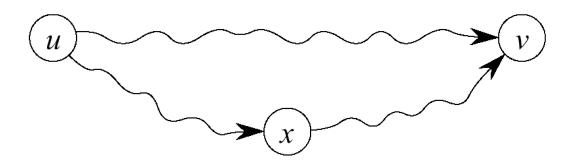
- Theorem: subpaths of shortest paths are shortest paths
- Proof (cut and paste)
  - if some subpath were not the shortest path,
     one could substitute the shorter subpath
     and create a shorter total path



Suggests that there may be a greedy algorithm

### **Triangle Inequality**

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

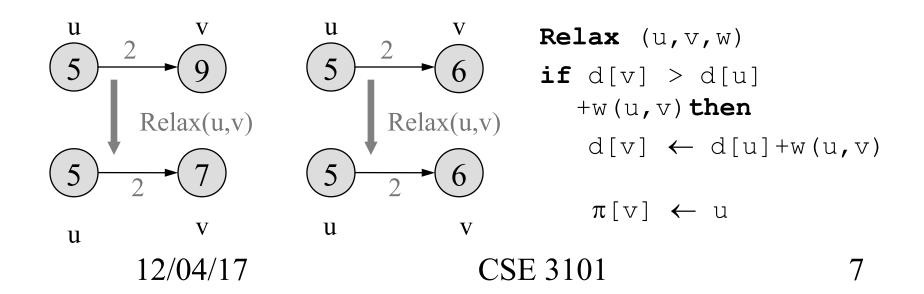


### **Negative Weights and Cycles?**

- 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 ∞ 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



# **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

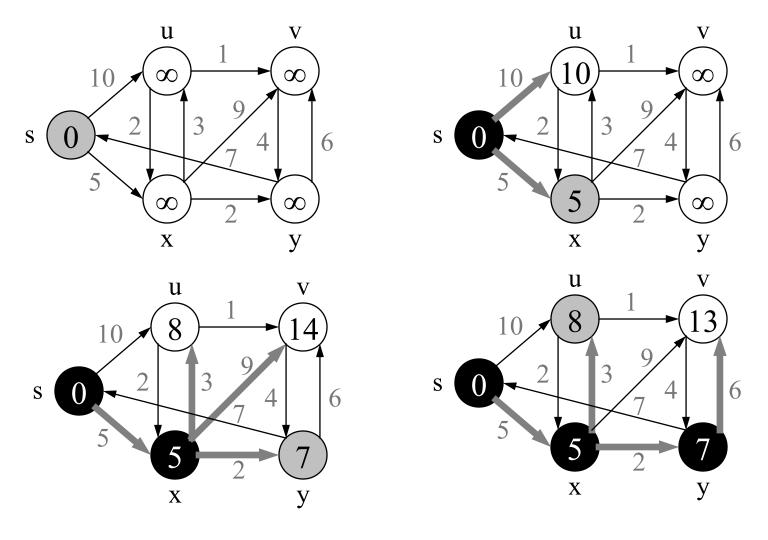
#### Dijkstra's Algorithm: pseudocode

• Graph G, weight function w, root s

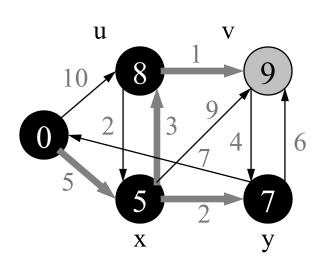
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DIJKSTRA(G, w, s)
   1 for each v \in V
  2 do d[v] \leftarrow \infty
  3 \ d[s] \leftarrow 0
  4 S \leftarrow \emptyset \triangleright \text{Set of discovered nodes}
  5 Q \leftarrow V
  6 while Q \neq \emptyset
             \mathbf{do} \ u \leftarrow \text{Extract-Min}(Q)
                 S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}
     for each v \in Adj[u]
                                                                            relaxing
                        do if d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)
                                                                            edges
                                then d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)
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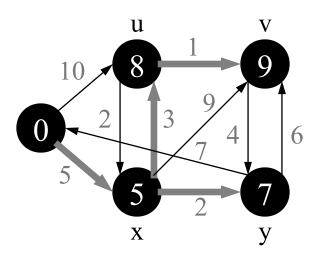
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# Dijkstra's Algorithm: example



## 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

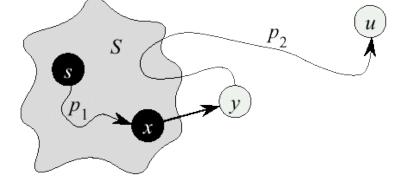
 We will prove that whenever u is added to S, d[u] = d(s,u), i.e., that d is minimum, and that equality is maintained thereafter

#### Proof

- Note that  $\forall v, d[v] \ge d(s, v)$
- Let u be the first **vertex picked** such that there is a shorter path than d[u], i.e., that  $\Rightarrow d[u] > d(s,u)$

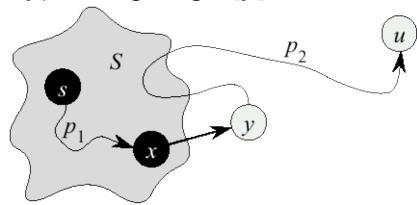
- We will show that this assumption leads to a

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)

$$d[u] > \delta(s,u)$$
 (initial assumption)  
 $= \delta(s,y) + \delta(y,u)$  (optimal substructure)  
 $= d[y] + \delta(y,u)$  (correctness of  $d[y]$ )  
 $\geq d[y]$  (no negative weights)

- But d[u] > d[y] ⇒ algorithm would have chosen y (from the PQ) to process next, not u ⇒ 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)	<i>O</i> (1)	$O(V^2)$
binary heap	<i>O</i> (lg <i>V</i> )	O(lg V)	$O(E \lg V)$
Fibonacci heap	<i>O</i> (lg <i>V</i> )	<i>O</i> (1) (amort.)	$O(V \lg V + E)$

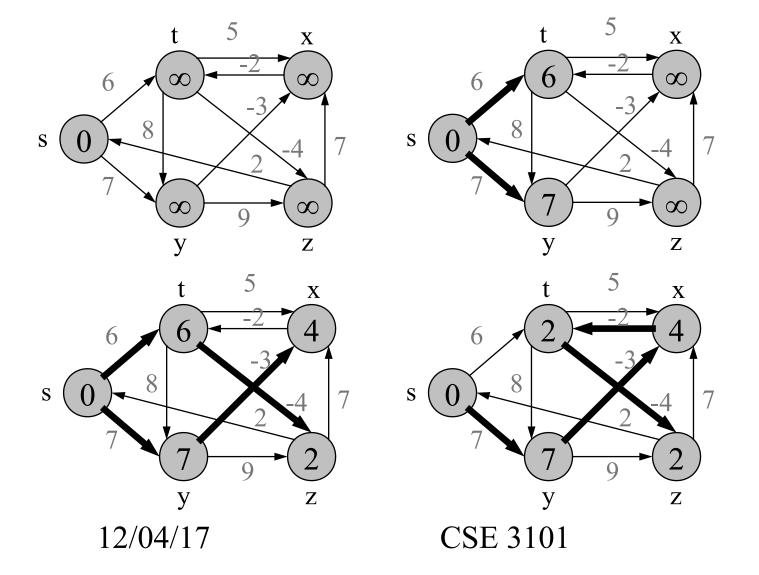
### **Bellman-Ford Algorithm**

- 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**

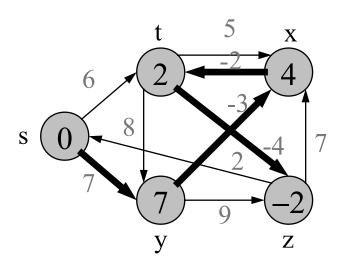
```
Bellman-Ford (G, W, S)
01 for each v \in V[G]
02 d[v] \leftarrow \infty
03 d[s] \leftarrow 0
04 \pi [s] \leftarrow NIL
05 for i \leftarrow 1 to |V[G]|-1 do
for each edge (u, v) \in E[G] do
07
           Relax (u, v, w)
08 for each edge (u, v) \in E[G] do
0.9
       if d[v] > d[u] + w(u,v) then return false
10 return true
```

## **Bellman-Ford Algorithm: example**



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#### **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

#### 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 <u>all pairs</u> 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:

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

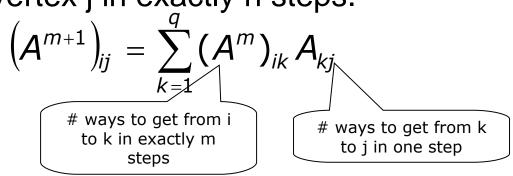
#### **A Recursive Solution**

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

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

#### **Matrix multiplication:**

If A is the adjacency matrix for a graph G, then the ij the entry of An is exactly the number of ways you can get from vertex i to vertex j in exactly n steps.



If we replace addition of elements by *minimum*, and multiplication of elements by *addition*, then the *ij* th entry of W<sup>n</sup> 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 a further step from k to j

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### **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(V3).

### **Matrix Multiplication - complexity**

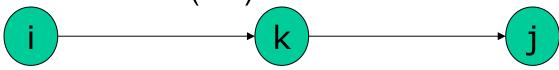
- Calculating W<sup>|V|-1</sup> takes:
  - − O(V<sup>4</sup>) if we do naïve exponentiation:
    - $\bullet$  A<sup>0</sup> = I
    - $\bullet$   $A^{m+1} = A A^m$
  - Q: How many multiplications are required to compute x<sup>n</sup>?
  - O(V<sup>3</sup> log V) if we do fast exponentiation:
    - $\bullet$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

# 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<sup>(k)</sup> 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 though 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<sup>3</sup>)

```
FLOYD-WARSHALL(W)

1  n \leftarrow 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 \left(d_{ij}^{(k-1)}, d_{ik}^{(k-1)} + d_{kj}^{(k-1)}\right)

7  return D^{(n)}
```

# Floyd-Warshall algorithm - improvement

- In fact, we can do better we only want
   D<sup>(n)</sup>:
- Store only D<sup>(n)</sup>
- Time complexity is O(V³), space complexity is O(V²).

#### **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

$$t_{ij}^{(m)} = t_{ij}^{(m-1)} \lor (t_{im}^{(m-1)} \land t_{mj}^{(m-1)})$$

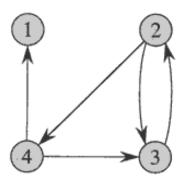
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#### **Transitive closure algorithm**

# Very similar to Floyd Warshall:

```
Transitive-Closure(G)
      n \leftarrow |V[G]|
 2 for i \leftarrow 1 to n
               do for j \leftarrow 1 to n
                          do if i = j or (i, j) \in E[G]
                                   then t_{ij}^{(0)} \leftarrow 1
else t_{ii}^{(0)} \leftarrow 0
       for k \leftarrow 1 to n
 8
               do for i \leftarrow 1 to n
 9
                          do for j \leftarrow 1 to n
                                      do t_{ii}^{(k)} \leftarrow t_{ii}^{(k-1)} \vee (t_{ik}^{(k-1)} \wedge t_{ki}^{(k-1)})
10
       return T^{(n)}
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```

#### **Transitive closure example**



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

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.