

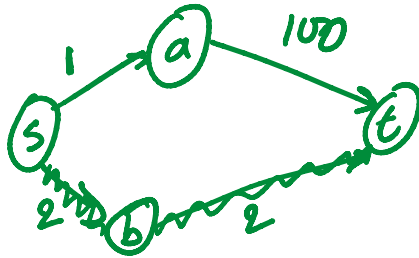
Shortest Paths:

Given a directed graph $G = (V, E)$,
 $W: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$, $s, t \in V$

Find a path from s to t that
minimizes $\sum_{e \in P} W(e)$



e.g.



Never repeats any vertex/edge.

Special case: $W(e) = 1, \forall e \in E$ (unit capacity)

BFS (G, s) . level $(u) = s-u$ shortest path length.
 $O(m+n)$ time.

Single source shortest path (SSSP)
Find $s-u$ shortest path length $\forall u \in V$
mindist (s, u)

Special case 2: DAG (no cycles).
Dynamic Programming.

Subproblem: $\forall u \in V$
 $d(u) = s-u$ shortest path length.

Ans: $d(t)$

Base case: $d(s) = 0$

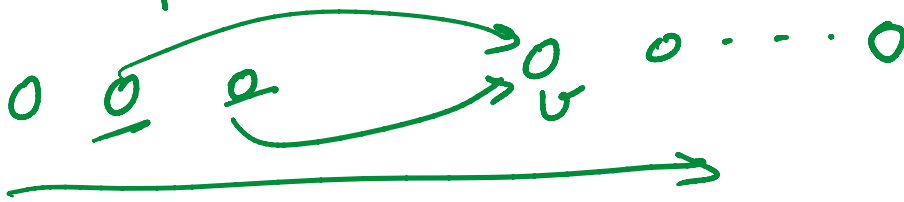
R.F. :

$d(v) = \min_{u: (u,v) \in E} d(u) + w(u,v)$



Evaluation Order:

Topological Sort



Runtime: Topological Sort - $O(m+n)$

DP { # sub problems = $O(n)$
time subproblem = $O(|in\ neighbors(v)|)$
 $d(v) = O(n)$

$\Rightarrow O(n^2)$

- Better runtime analysis of DP:

total time: $O\left(\sum_{v \in V} |in\ neighbors(v)|\right)$

$= O(m) < O(n^2)$

Final Runtime: $O(m+n)$

Remarks: (DAG)

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① Topological sort \Leftrightarrow DAG

(\Leftarrow) Algo. above

(\Rightarrow) If Cycle then



Not allowed in a topological sort!

② works w/ -ve weights as well.

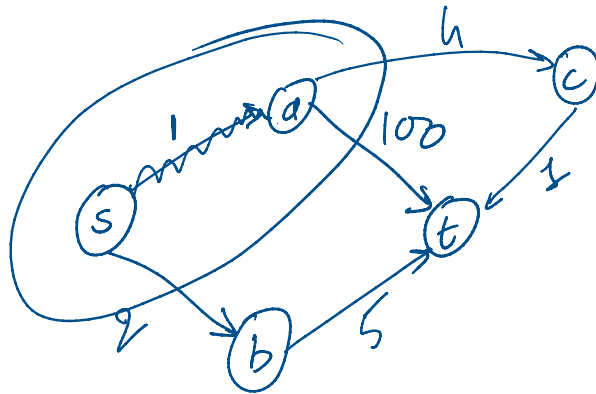
$w(e) = (-1) \forall e \in E \Rightarrow$ Finds "longest path" in DAGs!

General case:

Dijkstra's Alg'n (1959):

SSSP: Find, $\forall v \in V$ $\text{mindist}(s, v)$

Smart Greedy!



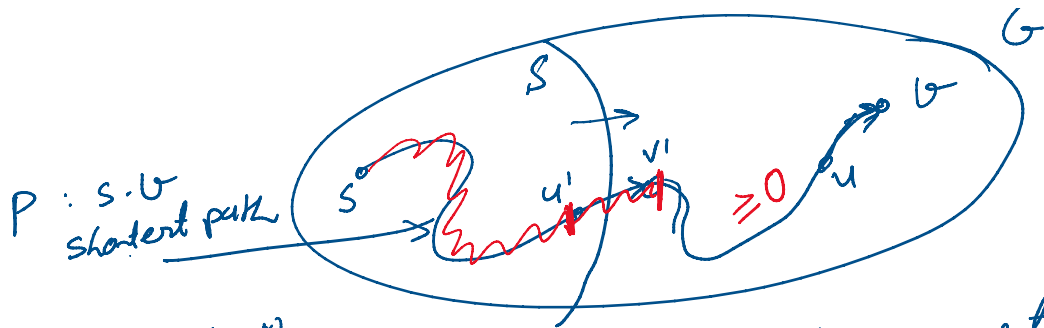
Goal: compute shortest paths in increasing order of their length.

Observation(s):

S : All nodes for which shortest path v from s has been discovered.



$s-v$ shortest path \rightarrow



$|S^*| = k$ then S : k first nearest vertices from s .



Does the next nearest vertex, say v , has "no" in-coming edge from set S ? **NO!**

$$\text{mindist}(s, v) = \text{length}(P) \geq \text{length}(s-v' \text{ seg of } P)$$

$$\geq \text{mindist}(s, v')$$

Then v' is next nearest, (contradiction!)

High level Alg'm:



1. $S = \{s\}$, $d[s] = 0$

2. while $S \neq V$ do {

3. $O(m)$ time { pick $(u^*, v^*) = \arg \min_{(u, v) \in E, u \in S, v \notin S} d[u] + w(u, v)$

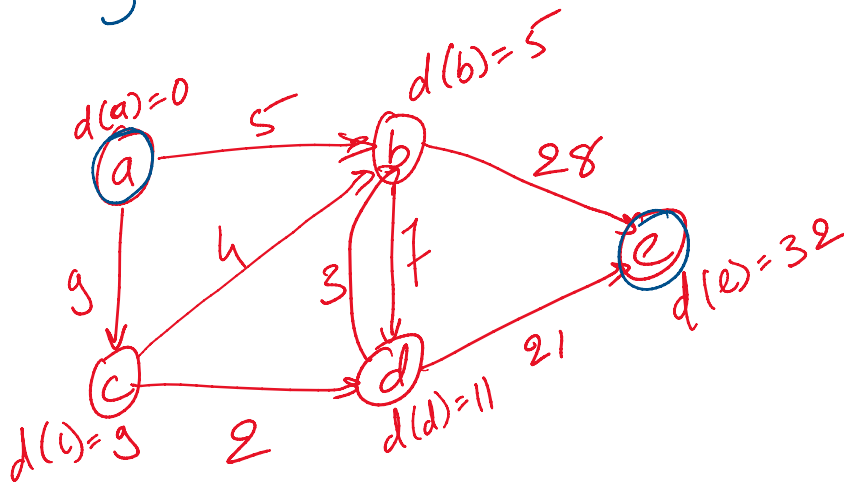
4. set $d[v^*] = d[u^*] + w(u^*, v^*)$. Parent(v^*) = u^*

5. $S = S \cup \{v^*\}$

$O(mn)$ time

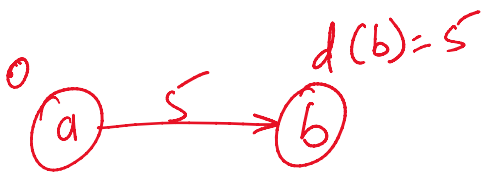
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$s = a$
 $t = e$

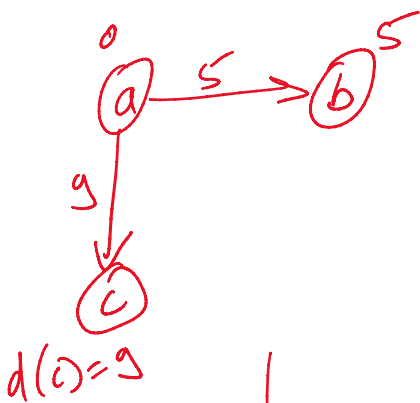
$S' = \{a\}$



$(a, b) : d(a) + w(a, b) = 0 + 5$
 $(a, c) : d(a) + w(a, c) = 0 + 9$

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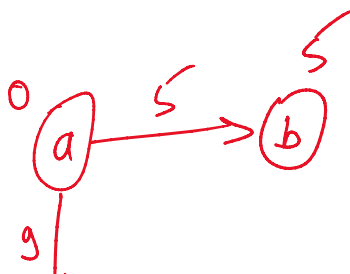
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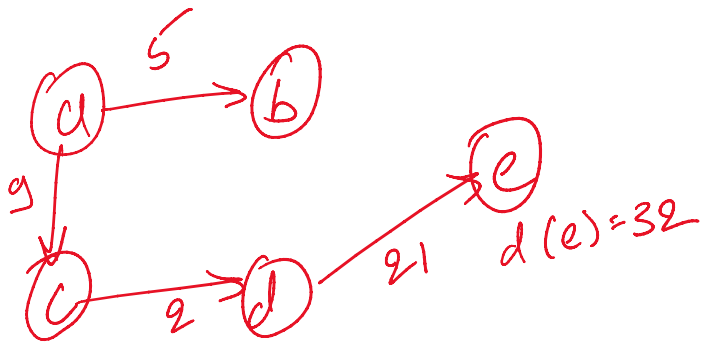
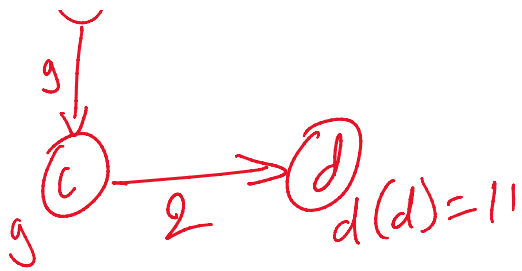
$(a, c) : 0 + 9$
 $(b, e) : 5 + 28$
 $(b, d) : 5 + 7$

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$S = \{a, b, c\}$



$(b, e) : 5 + 28$
 $(b, d) : 5 + 7$
 $(c, d) : 9 + 2$



$$S = \{a, b, c, d\}$$

$$(b, e) : 5 + 28 = 33$$

$$(d, e) : 11 + 21 = 32$$

Proof of correctness:

Let $d(v)$ denote $s-v$ shortest path length
 claim: suppose, $\forall u \in S$, $d(u)$ is correctly computed.

$$\& \text{ let } (u^*, v^*) = \arg \min_{\substack{(u, v) \in E \\ u \in S, v \notin S}} d(u) + w(u, v)$$

$$\text{Then } d(v^*) = d(u^*) + w(u^*, v^*)$$

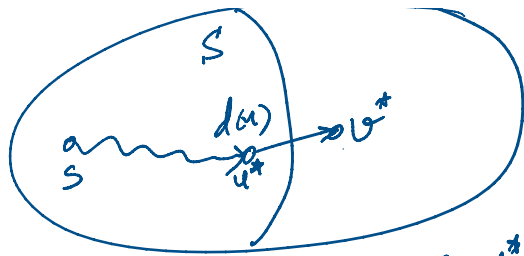
\uparrow
 $s-v^*$ shortest path dist. (\leq)
 (\geq)

$\geq d(u) +$

Pf: Let P^* be the $s-v^*$ shortest path
 (\leq) T.P.T. $d(v^*) \leq d(u^*) + w(u^*, v^*)$



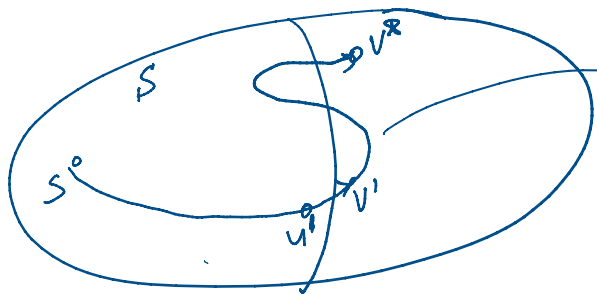
path $P : s \rightsquigarrow v^* \rightarrow v^*$



path $P: s \rightsquigarrow u^* \rightarrow v$

$$d(v^*) = \text{length}(P^*) \leq \text{length}(P) = \text{shortest path length } s-u^* + w(u^*, v^*) = d(u^*) + w(u^*, v^*)$$

(\geq) TPT $d(v^*) \geq d(u^*) + w(u^*, v^*)$



shortest $s-v^*$ path, say P^*

$$\begin{aligned} d(v^*) = \text{length}(P^*) &= \text{length}(s-u' \text{ seg of } P^*) + w(u', v') + \text{length}(v'-v^* \text{ seg of } P^*) \\ &\geq d(u') + w(u', v') + 0 \\ &\geq d(u^*) + w(u^*, v^*) \end{aligned}$$

(\because choice of u^*, v^*)

Implementation via Priority Queue.

1. $Q = V$ // Q : nodes whose shortest path is yet to be computed.
2. $\text{key}(v) = \text{infinity}, \forall v \neq s; \text{key}(s) = 0$.
3. While $Q \neq \emptyset$ do {
 - u with minimum key value.

3. While $u \neq x$ - u

4. Pick $u \in G$ with minimum key value.

5. Remove u . $d[u] = \text{key}[u]$

6. For ^{each} $(u, v) \in E$ do

7. if $v \in G$ & $\text{key}[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$

8. then $\text{key}[v] = d[u] + w(u, v)$. $\text{Parent}[v] = u$.

}

Runtime : No data structure.

line 4: $O(m)$

line 5: $O(1)$

line 7, 8: $O(1)$

lines 6-8: $O(|\text{Adj}(u)|)$

Total time: $O(n \cdot m + \sum_{u \in V} |\text{Adj}(u)|) = O(n^2 + m)$
 $= O(n^2)$

Runtime : Priority queue/heap.

line 4: $O(\log n)$

line 5: $O(\log n)$

line 8: $O(\log n)$

Total time: $O(n \cdot \log n + \left(\sum_{u \in V} |\text{Adj}(u)| \right) \cdot \log n)$
 $= O(n \cdot \log n + m \cdot \log n)$

$$= O(n \cdot \log n + m \cdot \log n)$$

$$= O((n+m) \cdot \log n).$$