

Quiz 1 9/21

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Notes, Practice problems, Textbooks.

Shortest Path

Weighted ^{digraph} graph: $G = (V, E)$ digraph.

$w(u, v)$: weight of $(u, v) \in E$

cost of a path = sum of edge weights.

$$\textcircled{u} \xrightarrow{3} \bigcirc \xrightarrow{5} \bigcirc \xrightarrow{-1} \textcircled{v} \quad \text{cost} = 7$$

distance from u to v , $\delta(u, v) =$

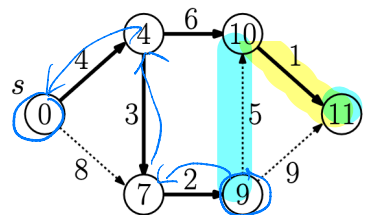
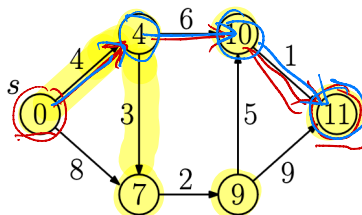
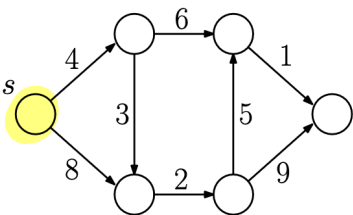
minimum cost of any path from u to v .

single-pair? as hard as single-source (worst case)

single-source: for a given source $s \in V$,

compute $\delta(s, u)$ for all $u \in V$.

shortest paths form a tree.



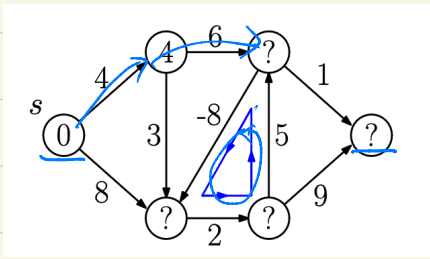
Shortest-path tree

$$\text{pred}[u] = v \Leftrightarrow \delta(s, u) = \delta(s, v) + w(v, u)$$

Observation: $s \rightsquigarrow u \rightsquigarrow v$:

If $s \rightsquigarrow v$ is a shortest path, then $s \rightsquigarrow u$ is also a shortest path from $s \rightarrow u$.

Negative Weights?



negative weight cycle



distance is not well-defined

"Relax" operation

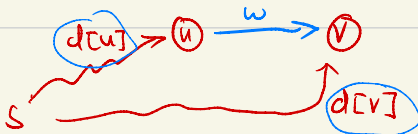
$d[v]$: estimation of $\delta(s, v)$ up to our knowledge.

initially $d[s] = 0$, $d[v] = +\infty$ for $v \neq s$.

algorithms update d using edge weights.

via relaxation

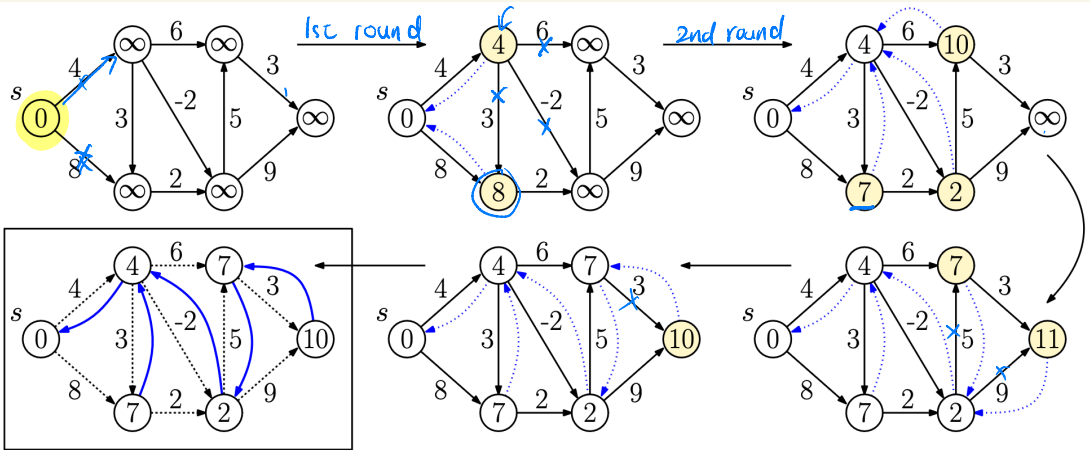
$\text{relax}(u, v)$: if $d[u] + w(u, v) < d[v]$:
 $(u, v) \in E$ $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$



Bellman-Ford

$$\forall (u,v) \in E, \quad d[u] + w(u,v) \geq d[v]$$

Idea: Repeat relaxation until convergence



Bellman-Ford ($G = (V, E)$, w , s)

for each $v \in V$, $d[v] \leftarrow +\infty$

$d[s] \leftarrow 0$

repeat

converged $\leftarrow$ true

for each $(u,v) \in E$ $\leftarrow$ in any order

relax (u,v) $\rightarrow O(m)$

if $d[v]$ changed

converge $\leftarrow$ false

until converged

$$n = |V|, m = |E|$$

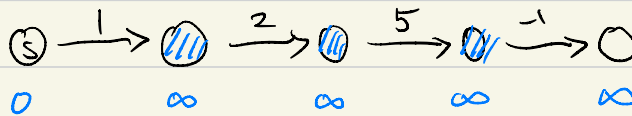
Running time: $O(nm)$

each relaxation round is $O(m)$

at most $n-1$ rounds (see below)

Correctness:

Idea: each round will propagate shortest paths by one more edge,



0 ∞ ∞ ∞ ∞

1st round 0 1 ∞ ∞ ∞

2nd round 0 1 3 ∞ ∞

3rd 0 1 3 8 ∞

4th 0 1 3 8 7

Lemma: If G has no negative cycles,

at most $(n-1)$ edges in shortest path - $\leftarrow$ Bellman - Ford will terminate within $n-1$ rounds with $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$

Claim: After k -th round, for all $u \in V$ s.t.

shortest path $s \rightarrow u$ has at most k edges,

$d[u] = \delta(s, u)$ Proof: by induction over k .

Dijkstra Algorithm

Greedy algorithm

Requires edge weights ≥ 0

Idea: relax from closest vertex

Dijkstra $(G=(V,E), w, s)$

for each $v \in V$, $d[v] \leftarrow +\infty$

$d[s] \leftarrow 0$

(of all vertices)

$Q \leftarrow$ priority queue sorted by d -values,

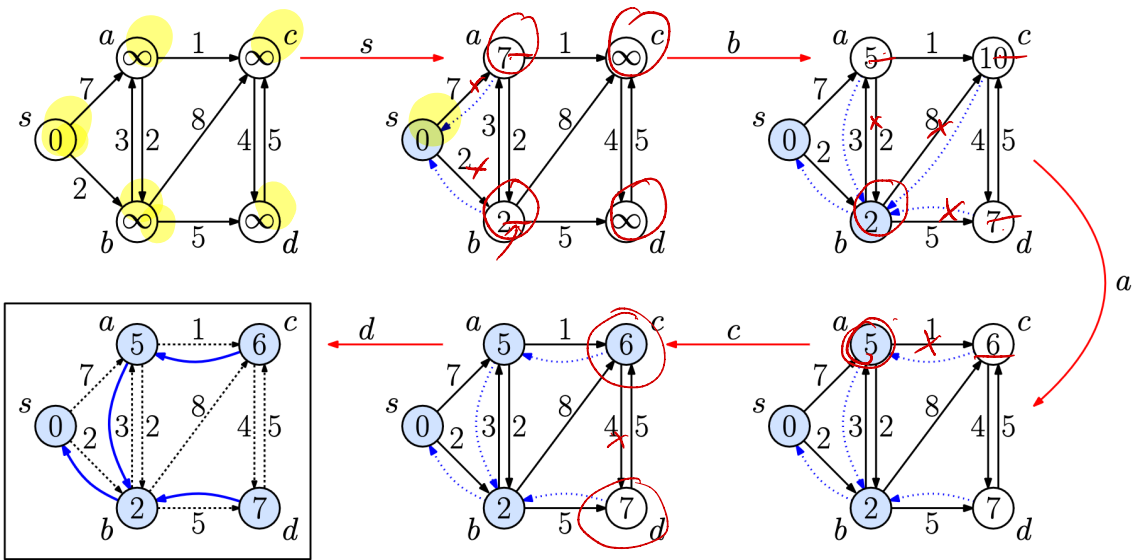
while Q is not empty: $\leftarrow O(n)$ rounds

$u \leftarrow Q.\text{extractmin}()$

for each $(u,v) \in E \leftarrow \text{out-deg}(u)$ times

relax (u,v)

update Q if $d[v]$ changes



Running time:

$\text{extract_min}() : O(n)$ times

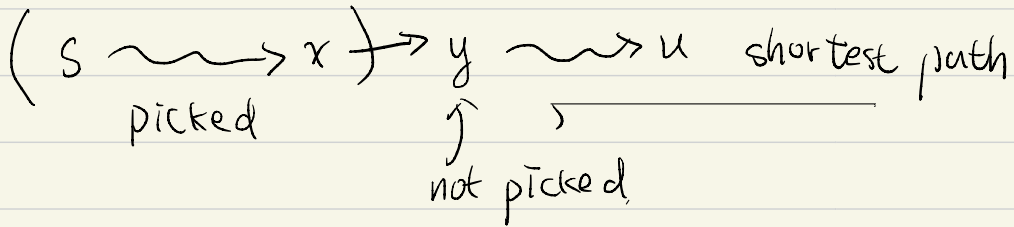
$\text{relax}() : \sum_v \text{out-deg}(v) = O(m)$ times
(update())

$O((n+m)\log n)$ or $O(n\log n + m)$

Correctness:

When u get picked from Q , $d[u] = \delta(s, u)$

Proof. Assume u get picked,
 we have $d[u] \geq \delta(s, u)$



$$d[x] = \delta(s, x) \quad (\text{by induction})$$

when relaxing (x, y)

$$d[y] = \delta(s, x) + w(x, y) = \delta(s, y)$$

$$\therefore d[u] \leq d[y] = \delta(s, y) \leq \delta(s, u)$$

u is min- d among unselected

$$\therefore d[u] = \delta(s, u)$$