Programming and Algorithms

COMP1038.PGA
Week 10 – Lecture 3:
Trees and Graphs

Overview

- Tree
- Graph
 - Dijkstra's Algorithm

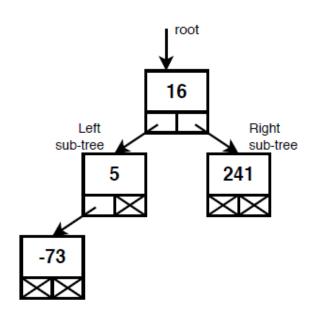


Tree



Tree: introduction

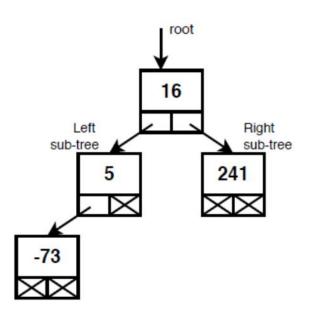
- Trees are hierarchical data structures containing nodes which store a value and references to 2 or more subtrees.
- The "start" of the tree is the root node.
- Nodes with no subtrees are called leaf nodes.
- A binary tree is a tree where each node has exactly two possible children.





Tree: binary search tree

- BSTs are binary trees in which the values are stored in the tree in some specified order.
- Eg, for an integer BST,
 - every value in the left sub-tree < value in the node
 - every value in the right sub-tree >= the value in the node.
- Searching for values in a BST can be extremely quick because each comparison discards half the remaining values (on average).
- Inserting/removing nodes is more complex as it may require moving existing nodes.



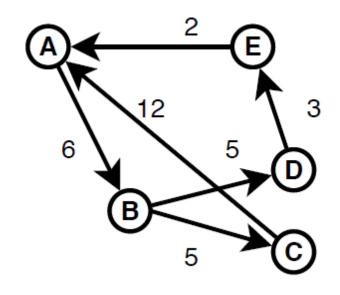


Graph



Graph: introduction

- A graph represents a set of vertices (or nodes) and a set of edges which are connections between vertices.
- Edges can be directed or undirected.
- Edges can be weighted or unweighted.
- Graphs can be connected (for any 2 vertices, there is a path between them) or unconnected.
- ...and many other possible properties
 - Graph theory is a major branch of discrete maths.





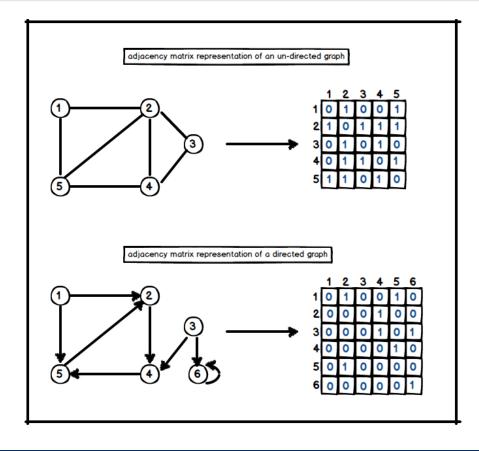
Graph: adjacency matrix

- Vertices are assigned to integer IDs.
- Store graph as a 2D array of integers.
- A_{ii} contains a value if there is an edge from i to j.
 - Store edge present? Number of edges? Weight of edge?

- Very fast look-up for edge between two vertices.
- Low memory usage but wastes lots of space for sparse graphs.
- Requires whole array to be changed when adding/removing vertices.



Graph: adjacency matrix cont...



Graph: applications

- Modeling relationships between users in social media networks (vertex=user, edge=friends).
- Navigation through cities vertex=road junction, edge=road between junction, weight=distance).
- Modelling state machines (vertex=state, edge=valid transition).

Introduction to Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Dijkstra's algorithm is a solution to the singlesource shortest path problem in graph theory.
- Works on both directed and undirected graphs.
 However, all edges must have nonnegative weights.
- Approach: Greedy
- Input: Weighted graph G={E,V} and source vertex v∈V, such that all edge weights are nonnegative
- Output: Lengths of shortest paths (or the shortest paths themselves) from a given source vertex v∈V to all other vertices



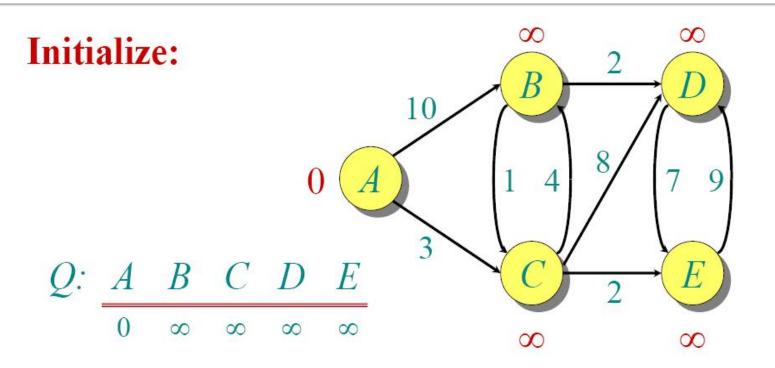
Dijkstra's Algorithm: Pseudocode

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dist[s] \leftarrow o
                                       (distance to source vertex is zero)
for all v \in V - \{s\}
                                       (set all other distances to infinity)
     do dist[v] \leftarrow \infty
                                       (S, the set of visited vertices is initially empty)
S←Ø
                                       (Q, the queue initially contains all vertices)
O←V
                                       (while the queue is not empty)
while Q ≠Ø
                                       (select the element of Q with the min. distance)
do u \leftarrow mindistance(Q, dist)
   S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}
                                       (add u to list of visited vertices)
    for all v \in neighbors[u]
         do if dist[v] > dist[u] + w(u, v)
                                                          (if new shortest path found)
                then d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)
                                                          (set new value of shortest path)
                                                           (if desired, add traceback code)
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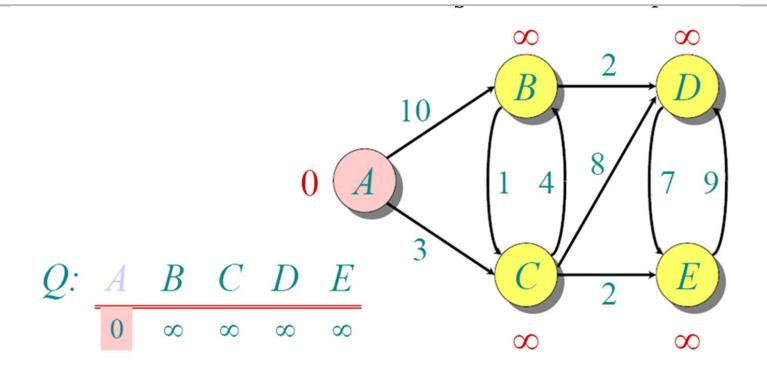


return dist

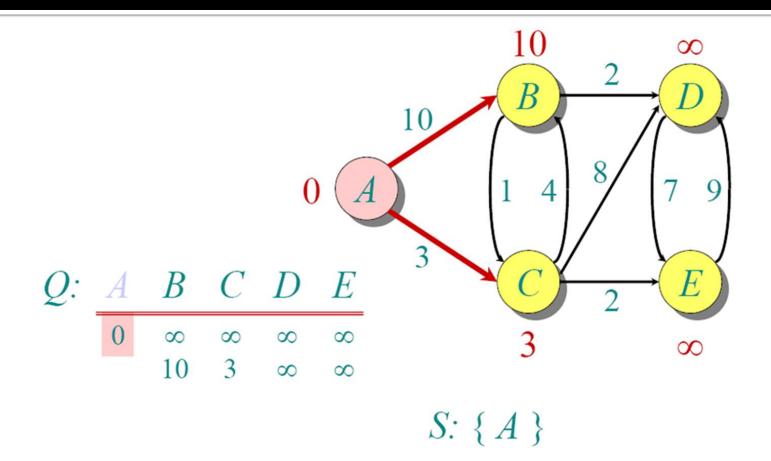




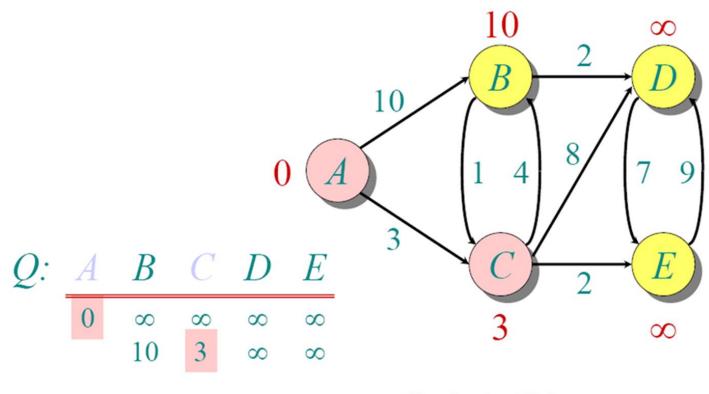






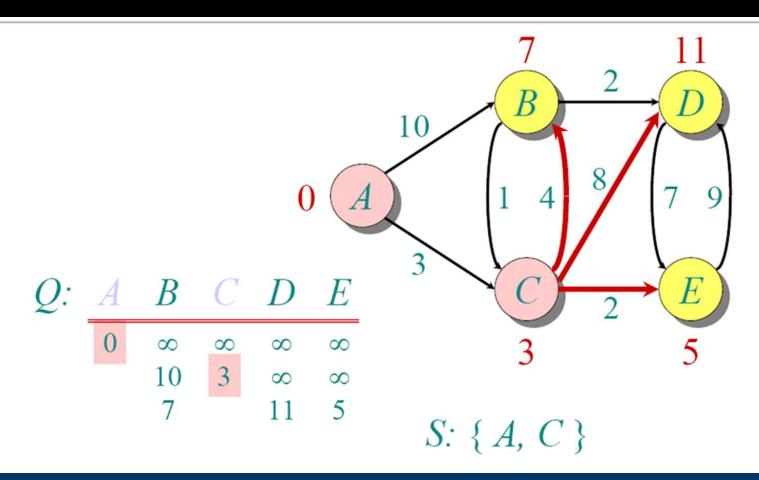


Dijkstra Example



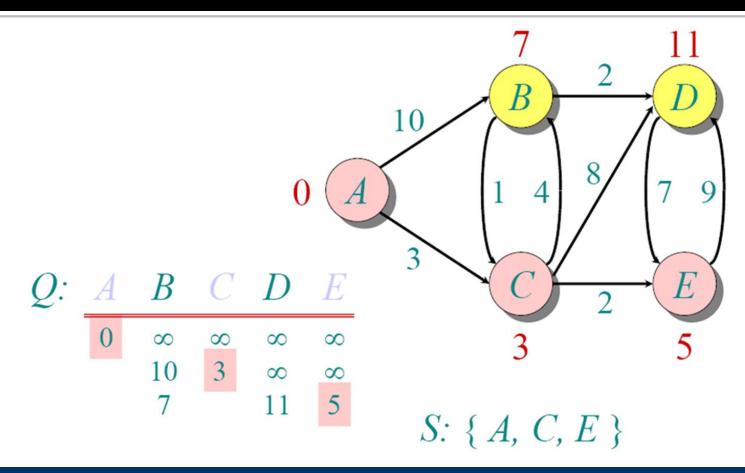
 $S: \{A, C\}$

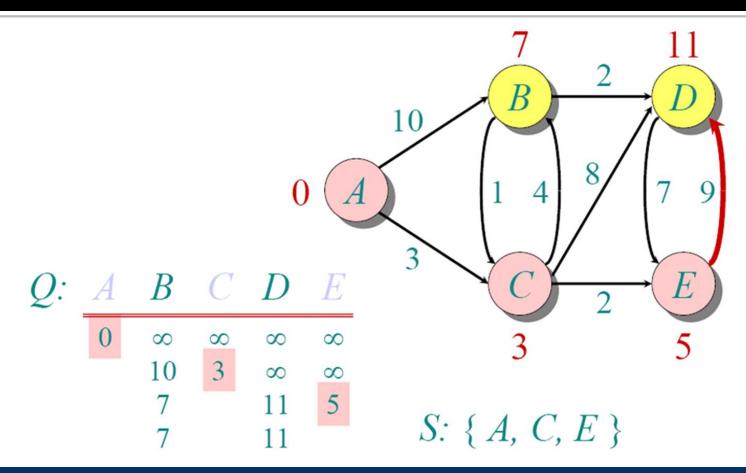


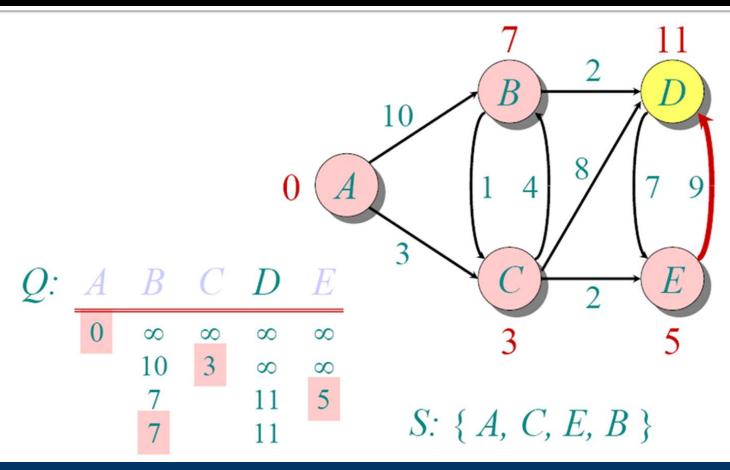




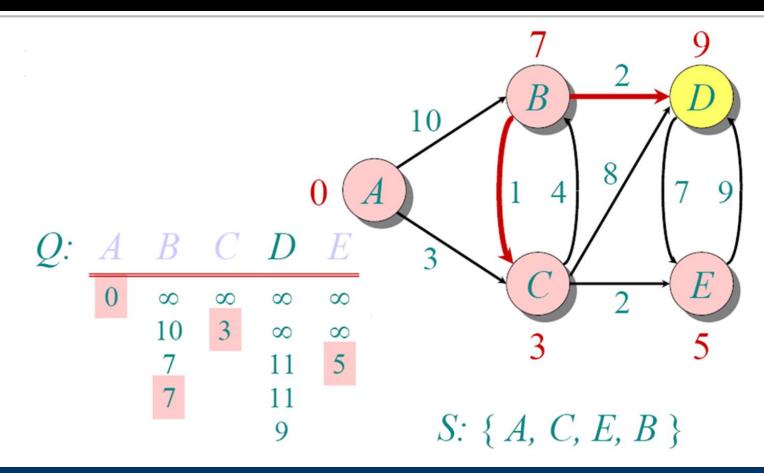
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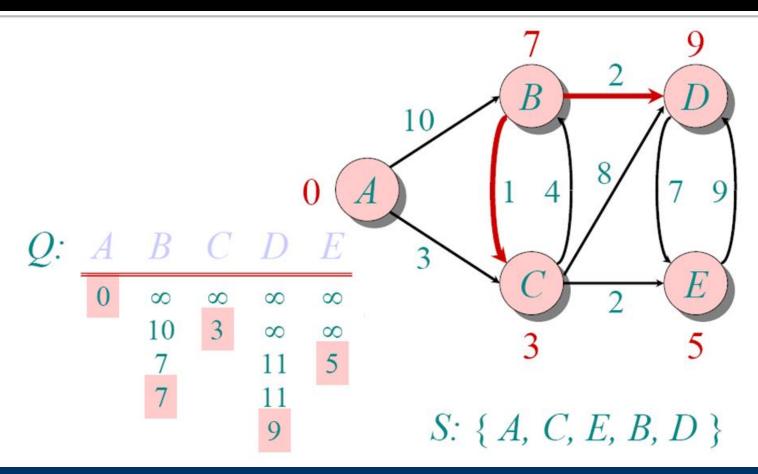








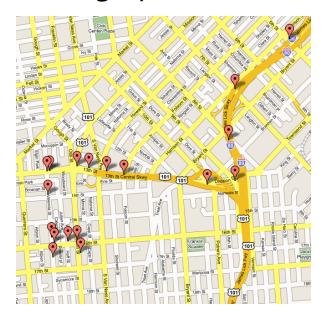


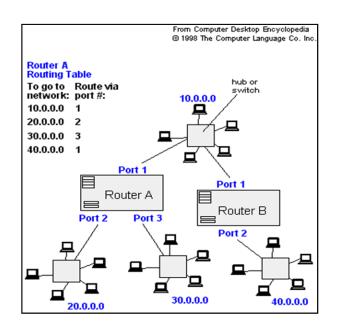




Applications of Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Traffic Information Systems are most prominent use.
- Mapping (Map Quest, Google Maps)
- **Routing Systems**





Thank you!

