

# طراحی الگوریتم ها (CE221)

جلسه چهاردهم:  
کوتاه ترین مسیر در گراف

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# اطلاع رسانی

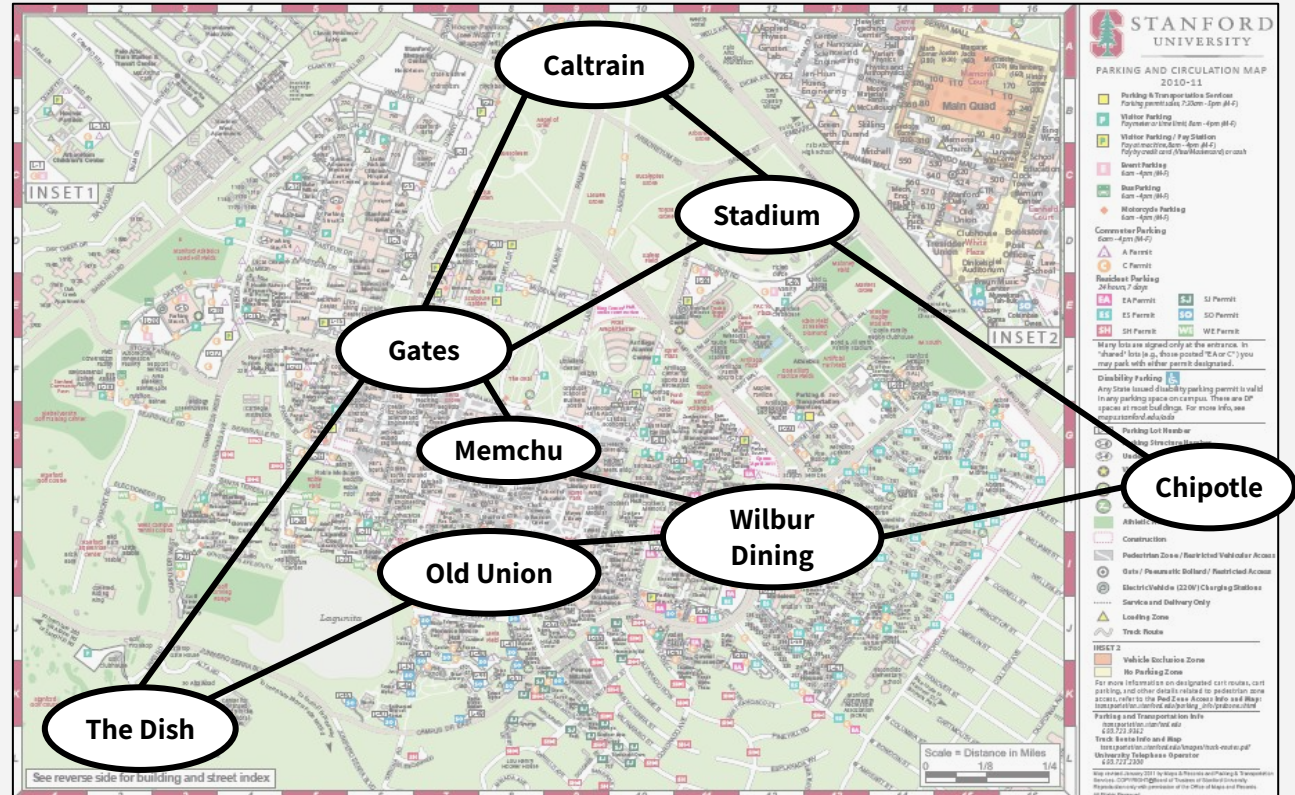
- بخش مرتبط کتاب برای این جلسه: 15.3
- ادغام امتحانک سوم و میان ترم با یکدیگر
- تاریخ امتحان: 24 اردیبهشت (زمان سابق امتحانک سوم)
- 5 نمره (3 نمره میان ترم + 2 نمره امتحانک سوم)
- حضوری در ساعت کلاس
- تمدید مهلت تمرین دوم تا ساعت 8 صبح روز دوشنبه 5 اردیبهشت

# یافتن کوتاه ترین مسیر در گراف

**تعریف مسئله**

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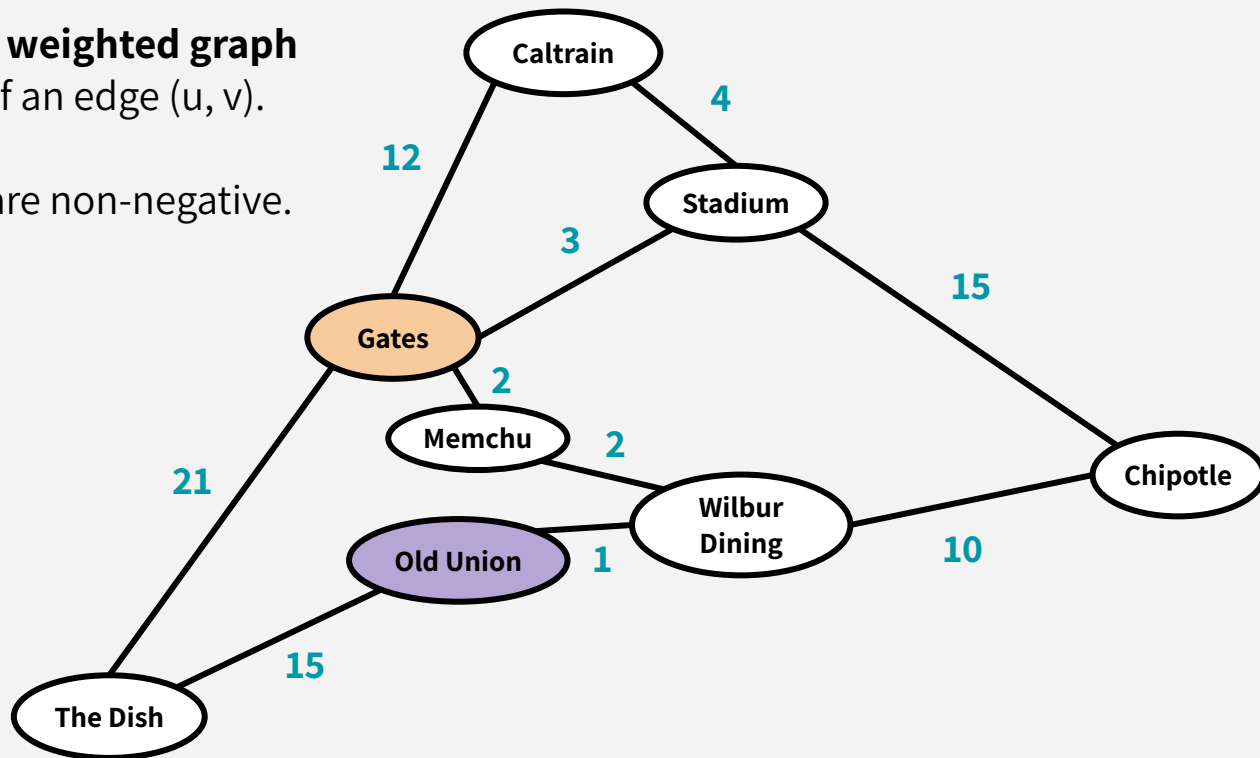
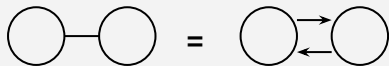


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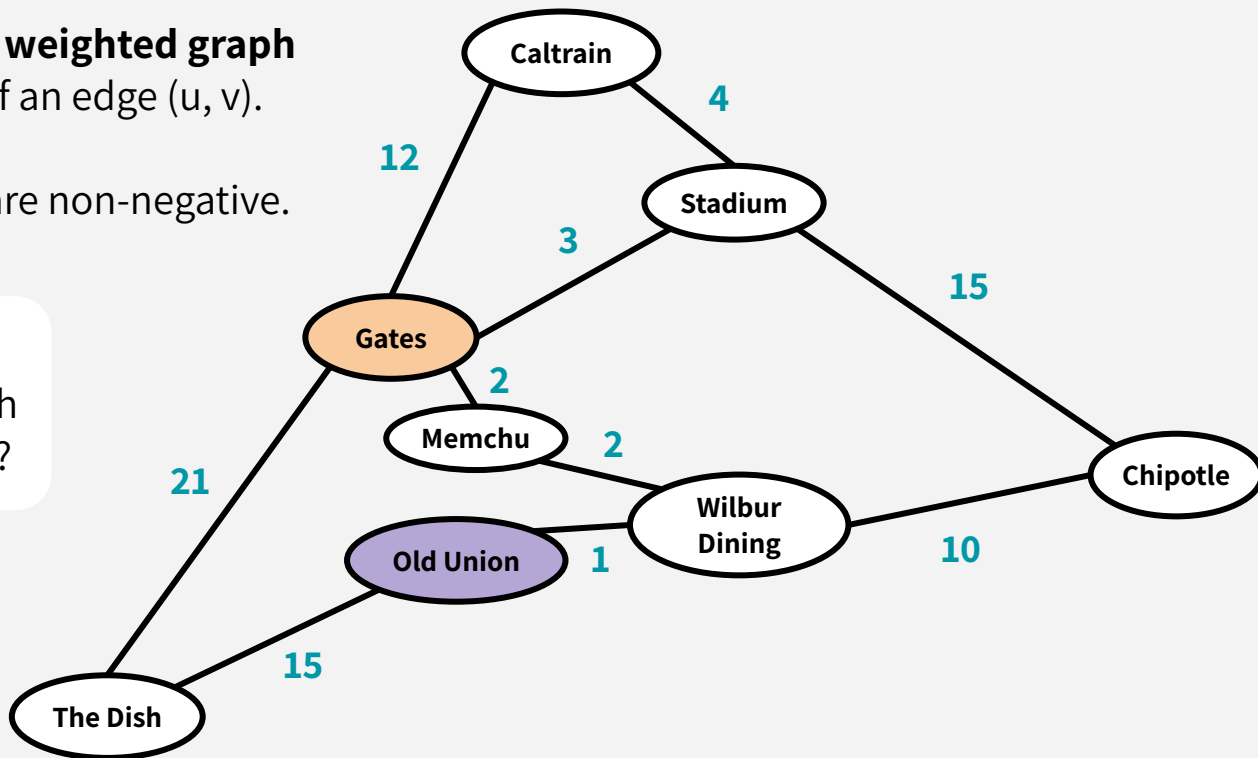


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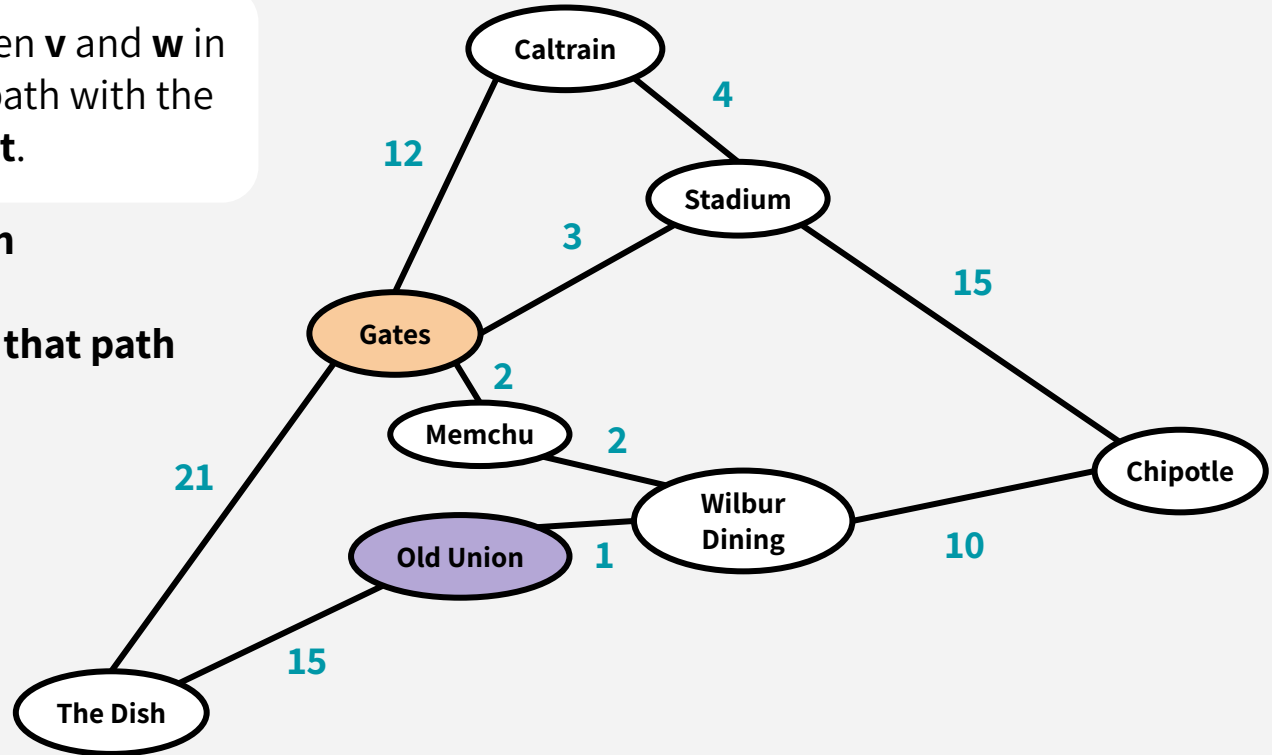
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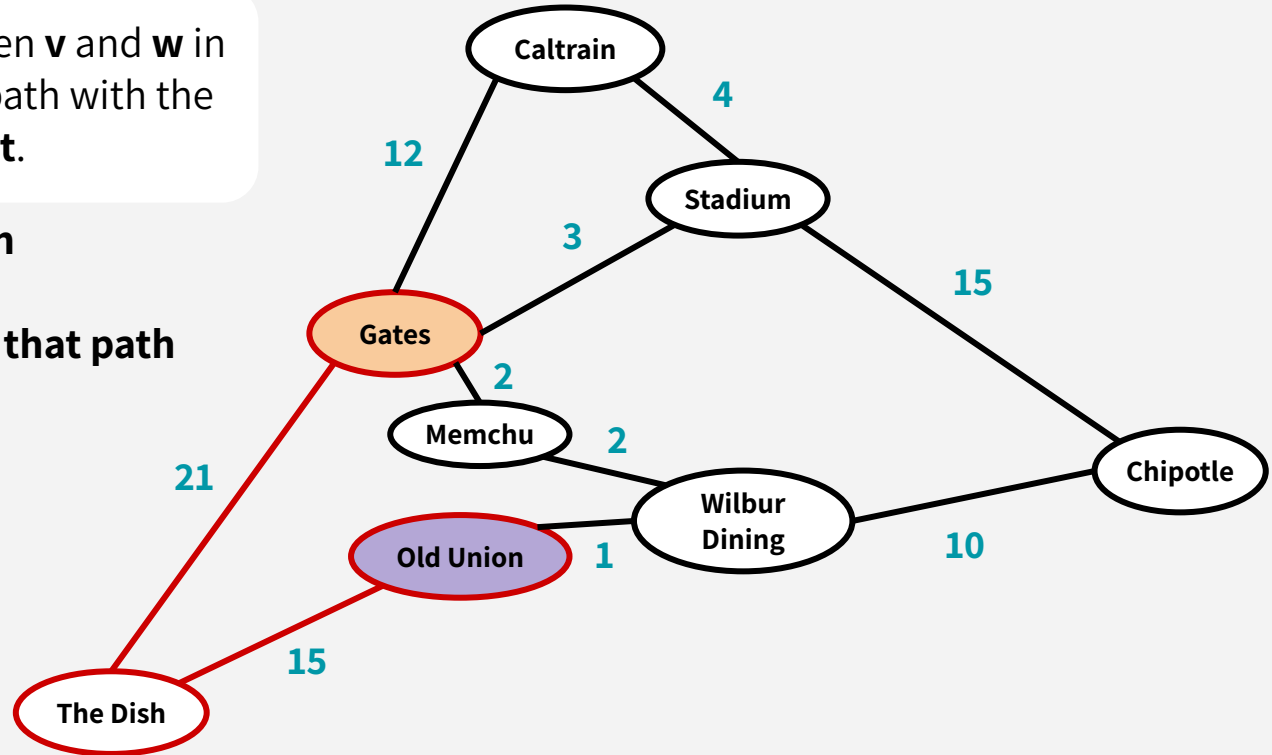


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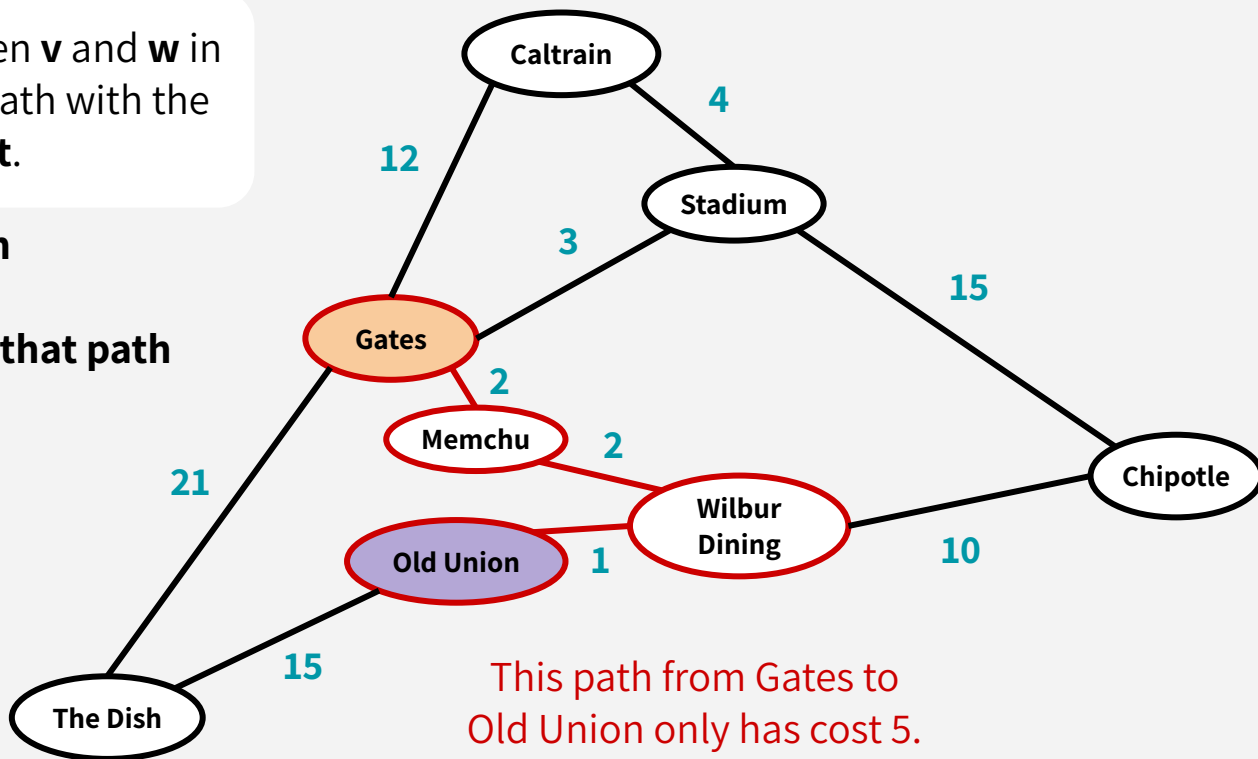




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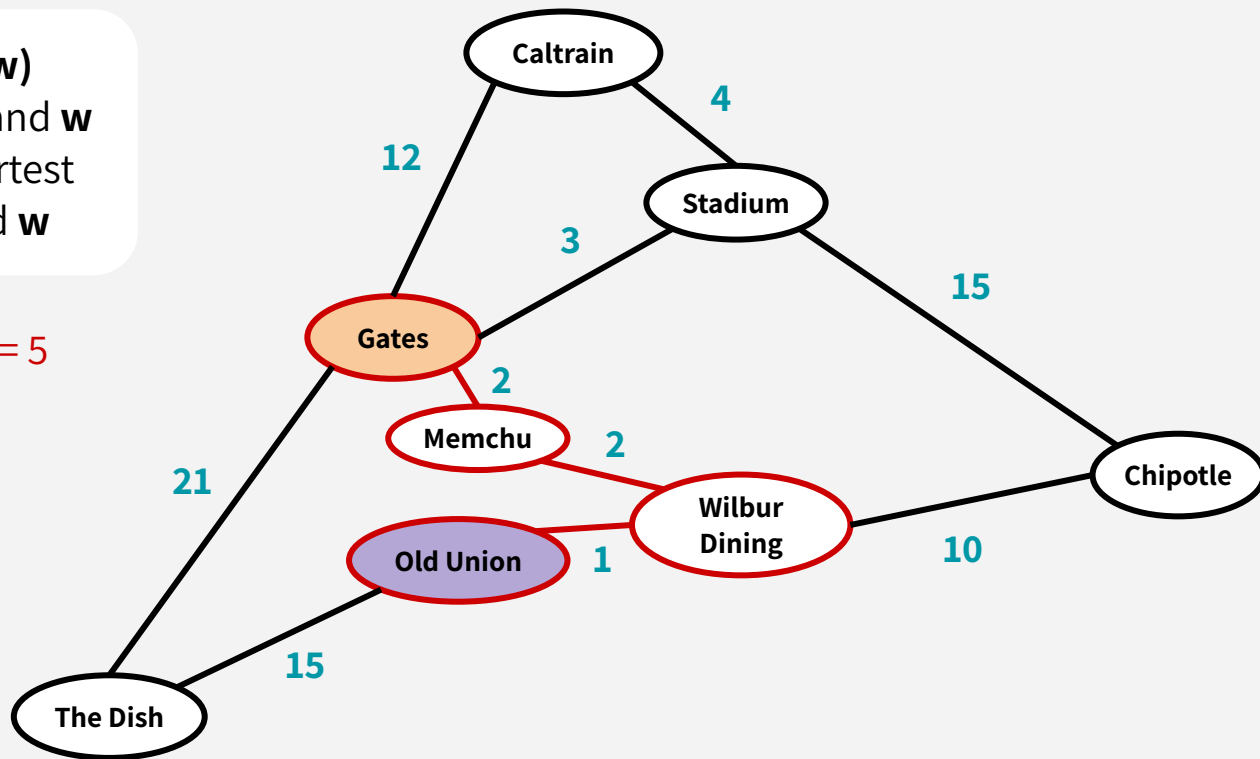
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The **distance**  $d(v,w)$  between 2 vertices  $v$  and  $w$  is the cost of the shortest path between  $v$  and  $w$

$$d(\text{Gates}, \text{Old Union}) = 5$$



# SINGLE-SOURCE SHORTEST PATH

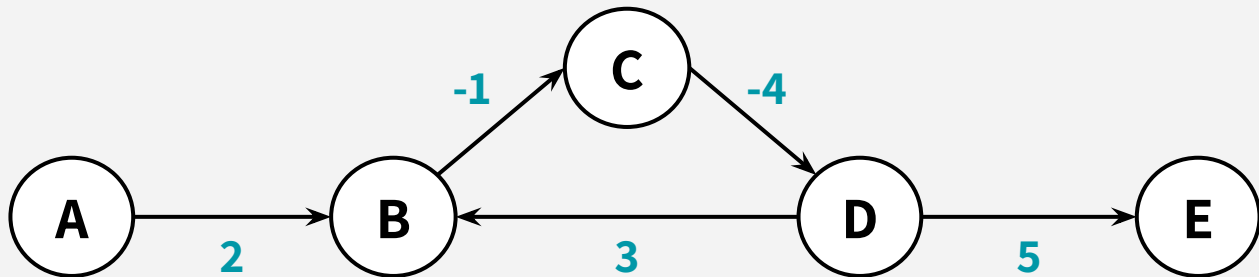
## **Applications:**

Finding the shortest/most efficient path from point A to point B via bike, walking, Uber, Lyft, train, etc.  
(Edge weights could be time, money, hassle, effort)

Finding the shortest path to send packets from my computer to some desired server using the Internet  
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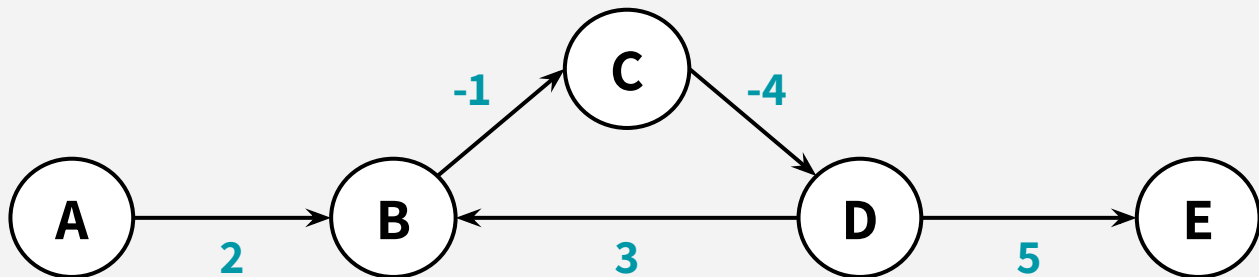


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**Basically, shortest paths aren't defined if there are negative cycles!**



سوال؟

# الگوریتم بلمن-فورد

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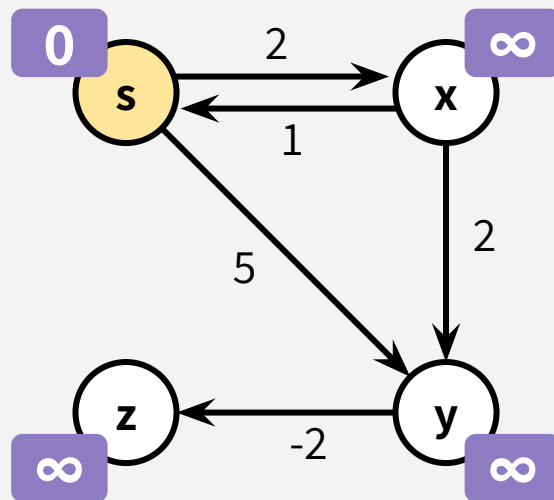
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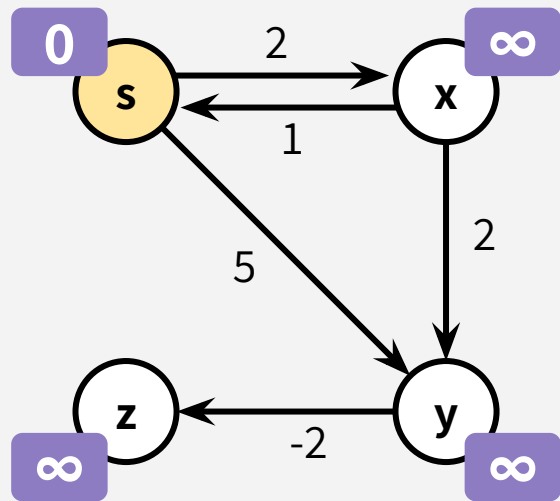
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$$\mathbf{d}^{(k)}[\mathbf{b}] = \min_{a \text{ in } b\text{'s incoming neighbors}} \{ \mathbf{d}^{(k-1)}[\mathbf{a}] + w(a,b) \}$$

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**Runtime:  $O(m \cdot n)$**

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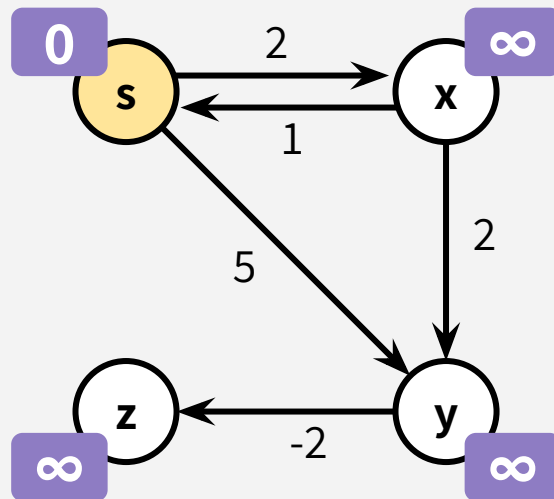
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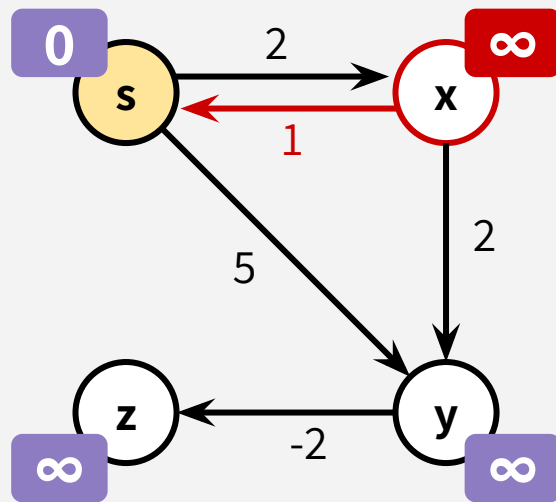
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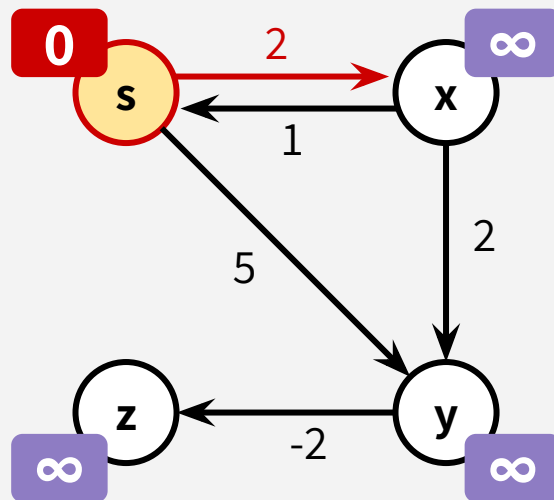
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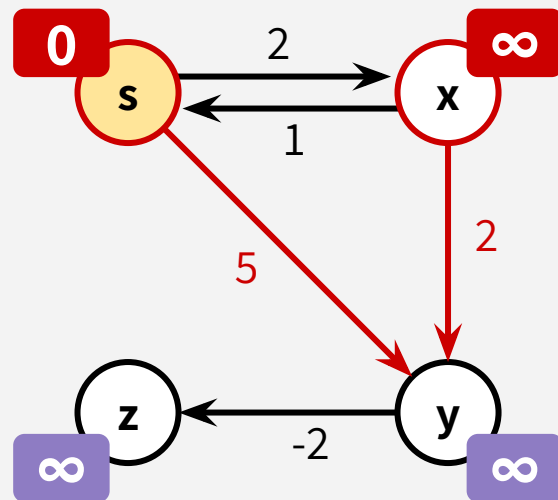
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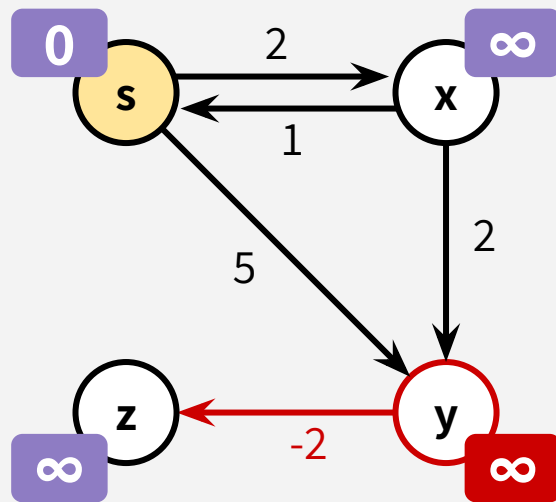
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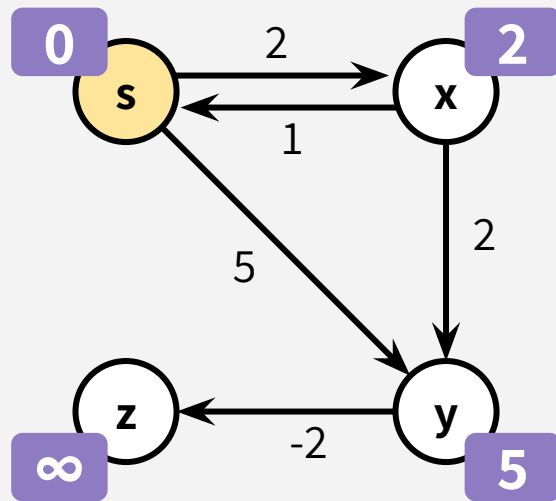
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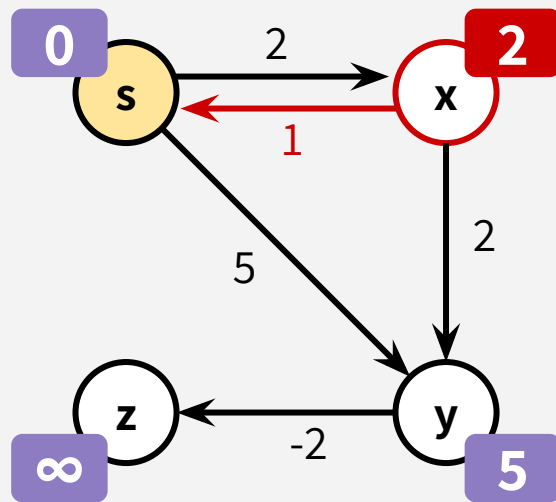
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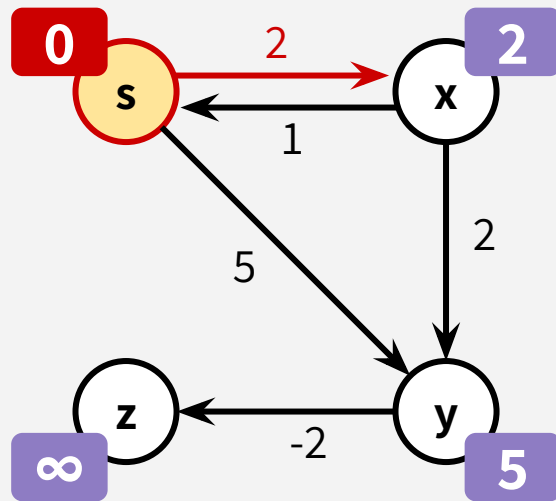
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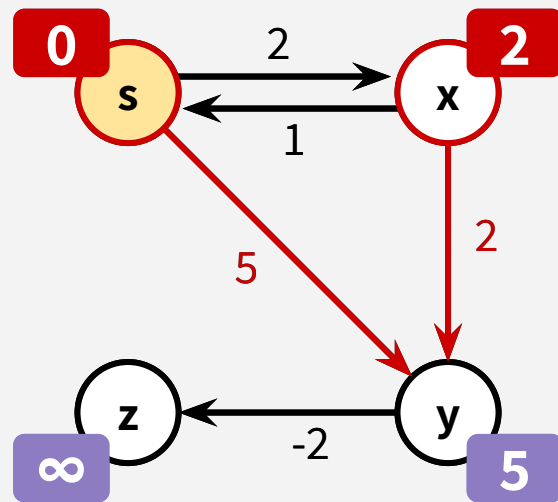
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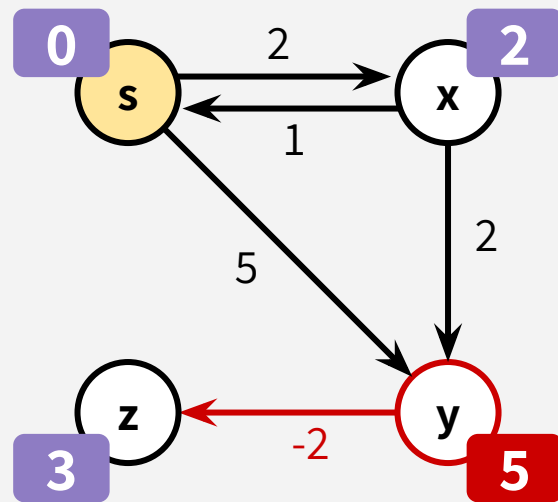
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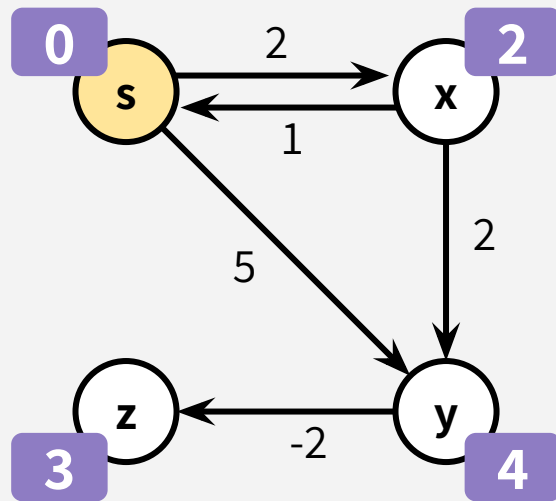
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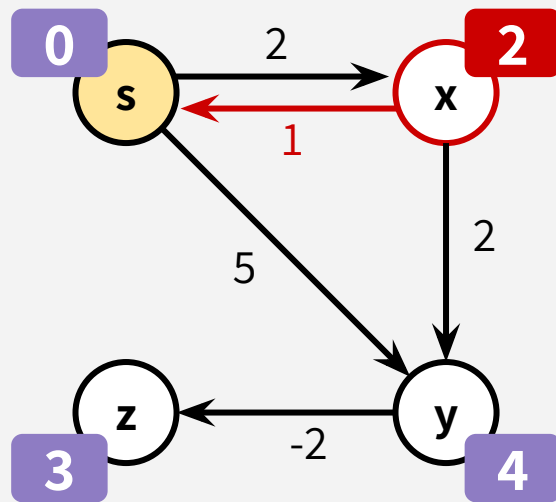
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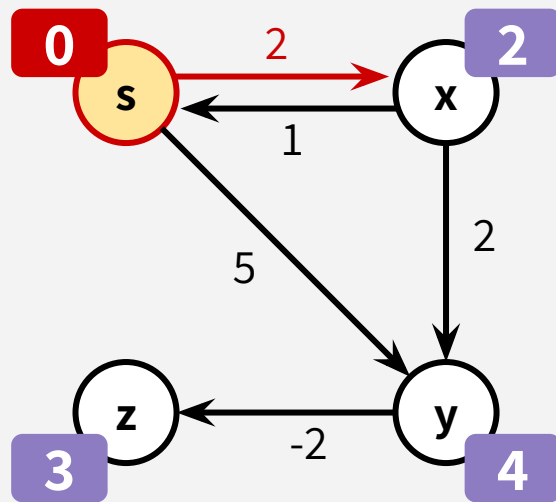
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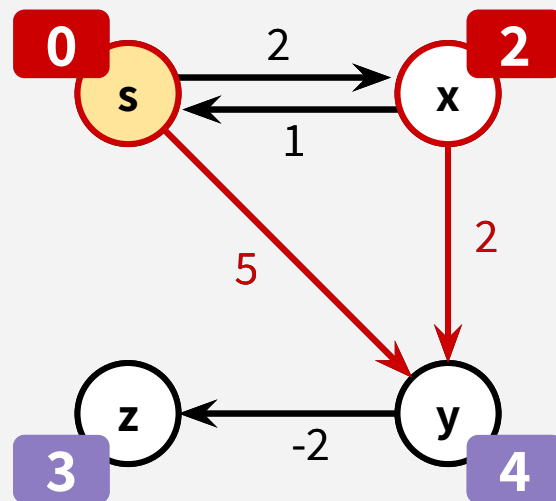
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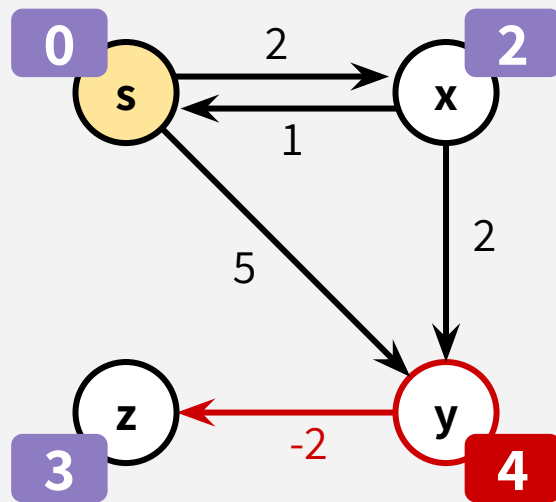
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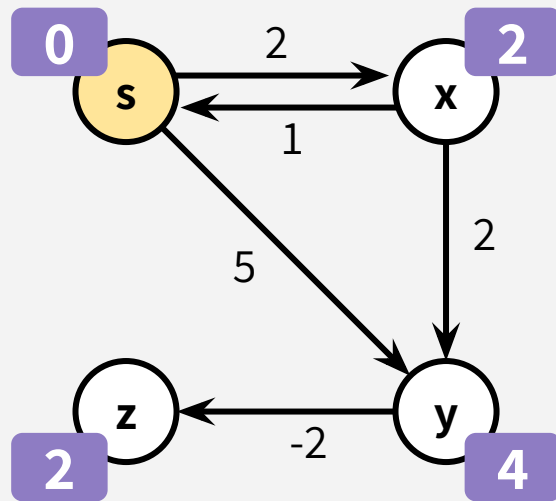
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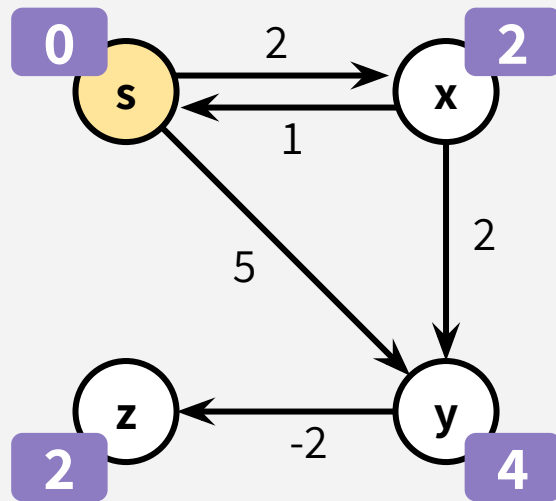
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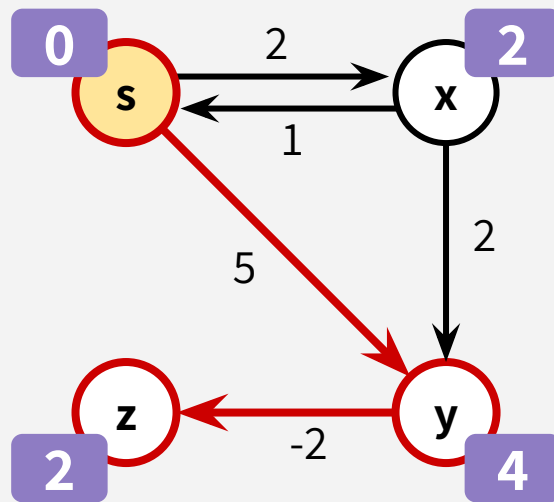
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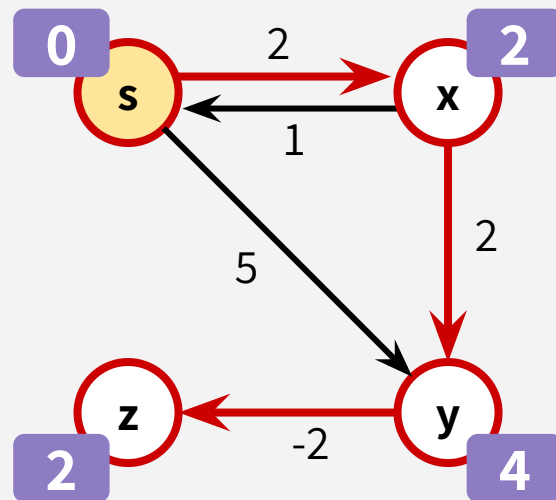
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# DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

## Two approaches for DP

(2 different ways to think about and/or implement DP algorithms)

**Bottom-up:** iterates through problems by size and solves the small problems first (kind of like taking care of base cases first & building up).  
e.g. **Bellman-Ford (as we will see shortly!) computes  $d^{(0)}$ , then  $d^{(1)}$ , then  $d^{(2)}$ , etc.**

**Top-down:** instead uses recursive calls to solve smaller problems, while using memoization/caching to keep track of small problems that you've already computed answers for (simply fetch the answer instead of re-solving that problem and waste computational effort)

We will see a way later to implement **Bellman-Ford** using a top-down approach.



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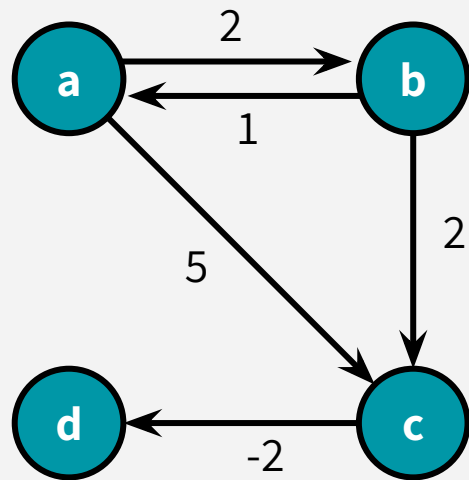
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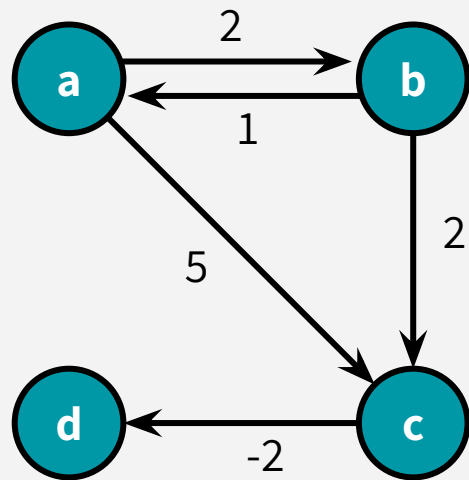
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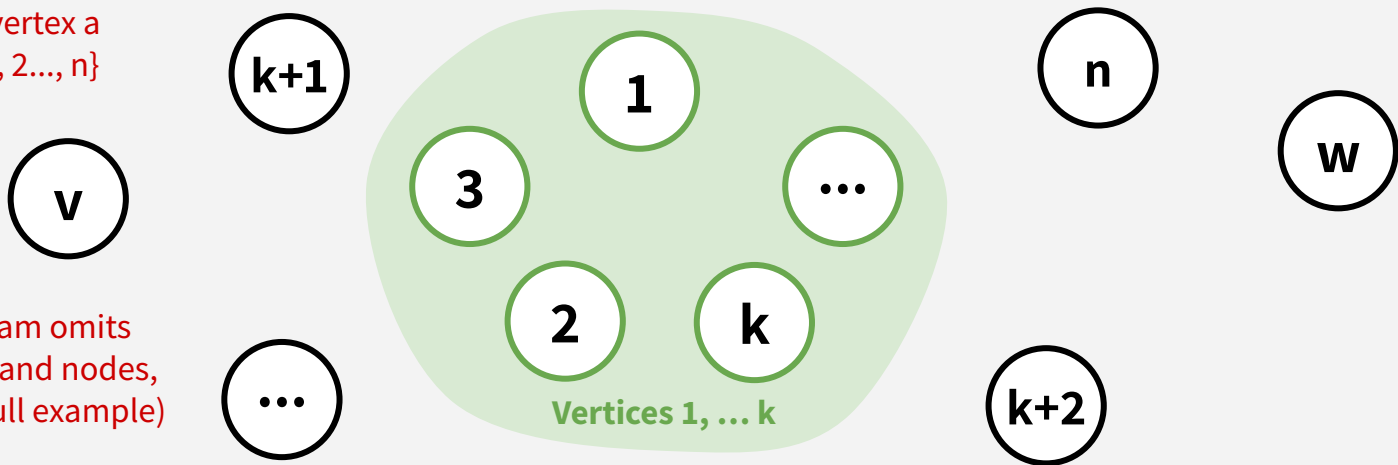
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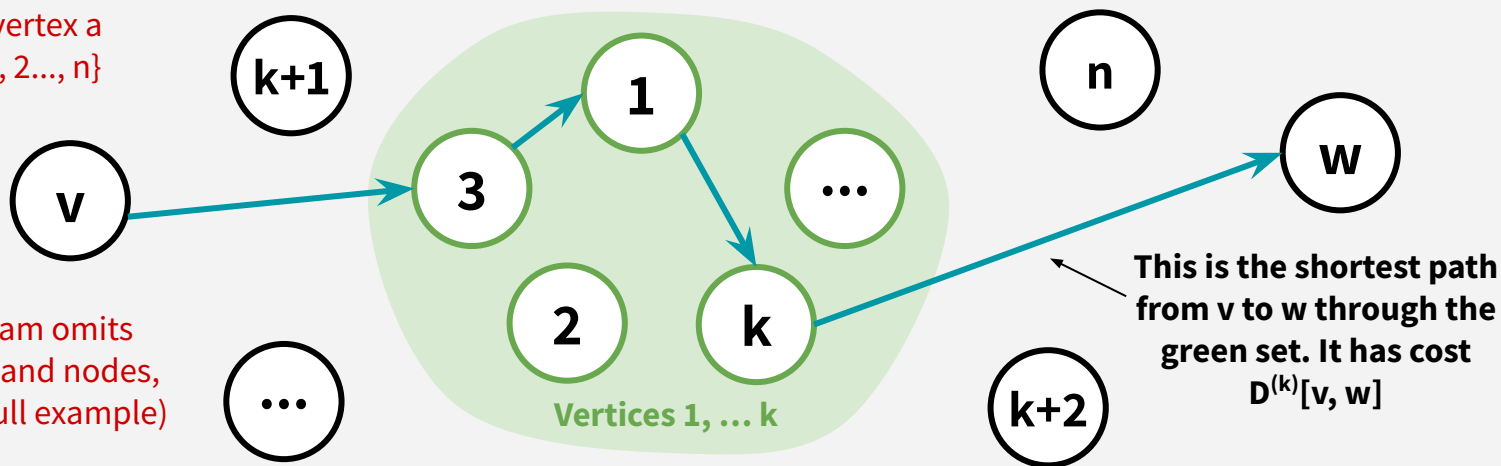
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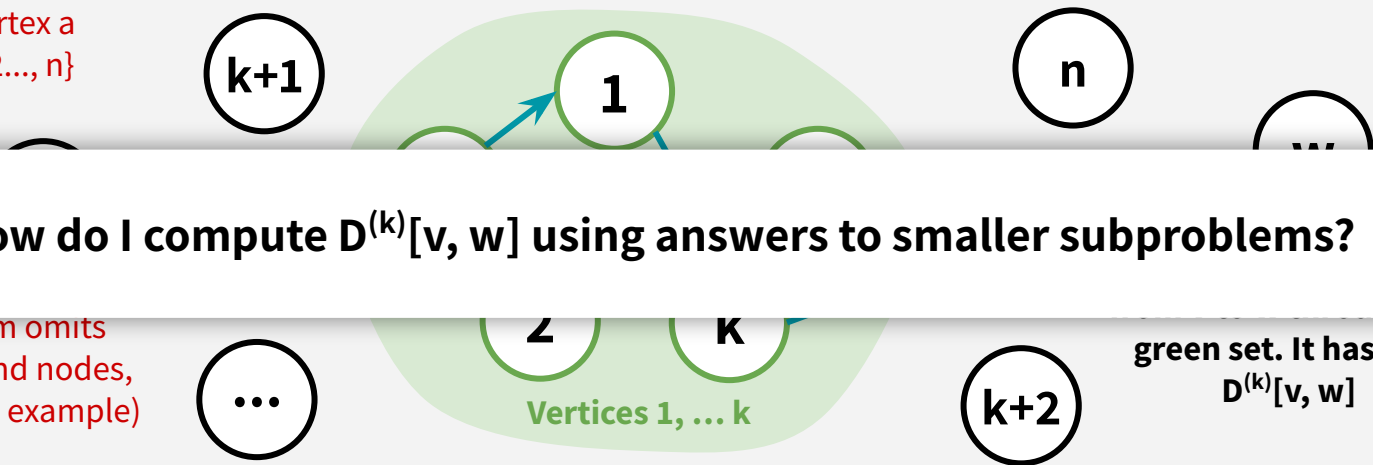
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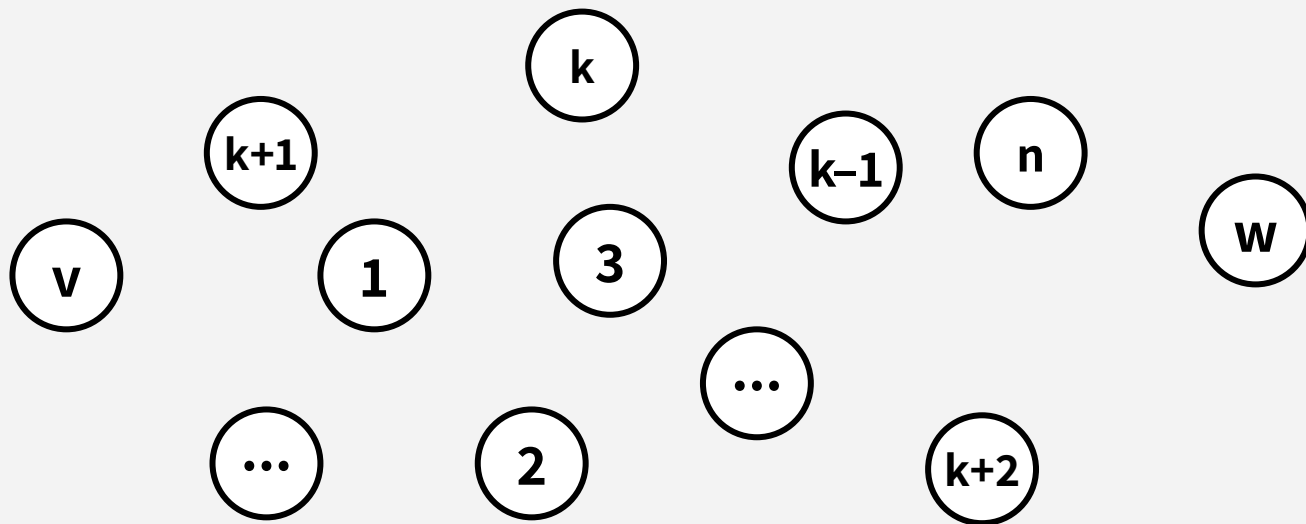
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**Two cases to consider:** vertex  $k$  *is not* included in that path, or it *is*.

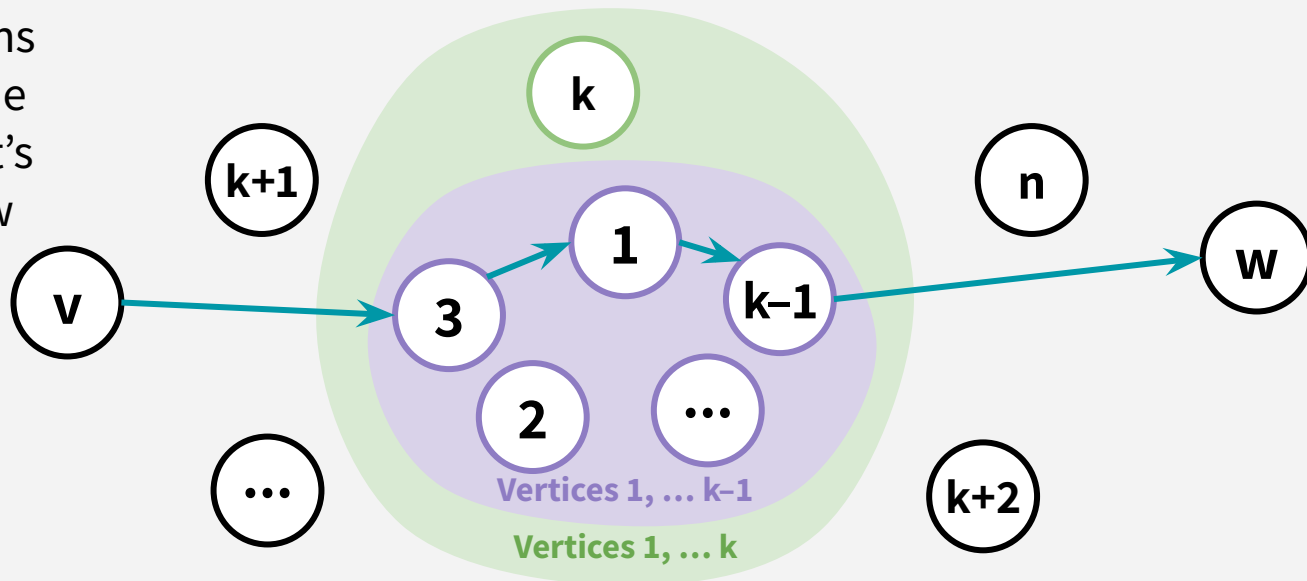


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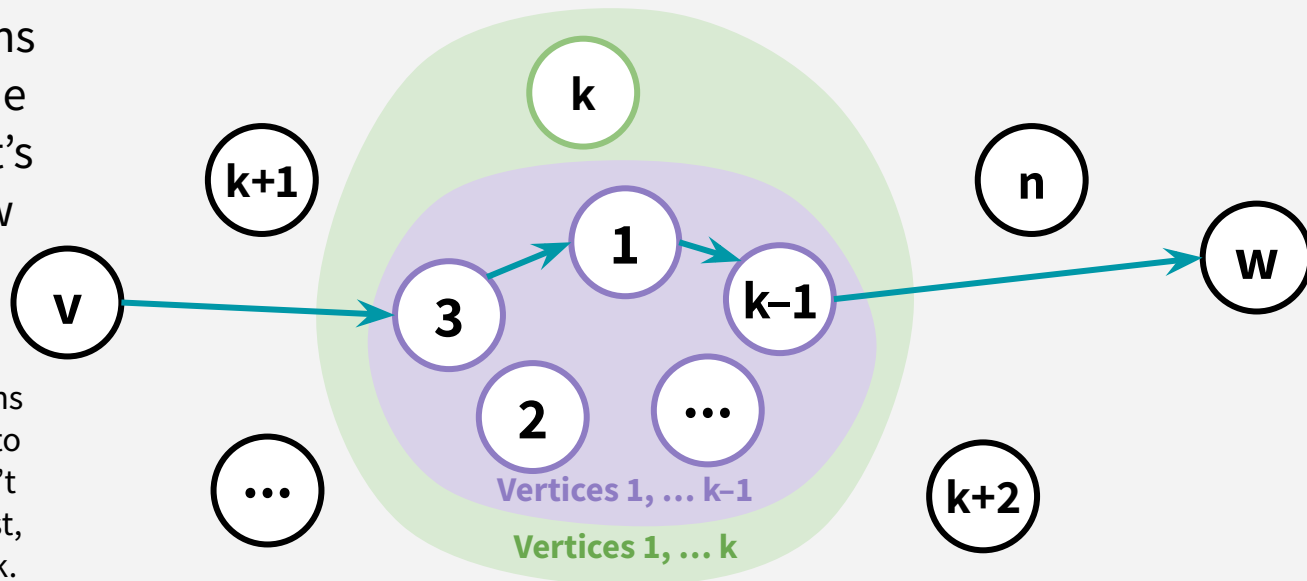


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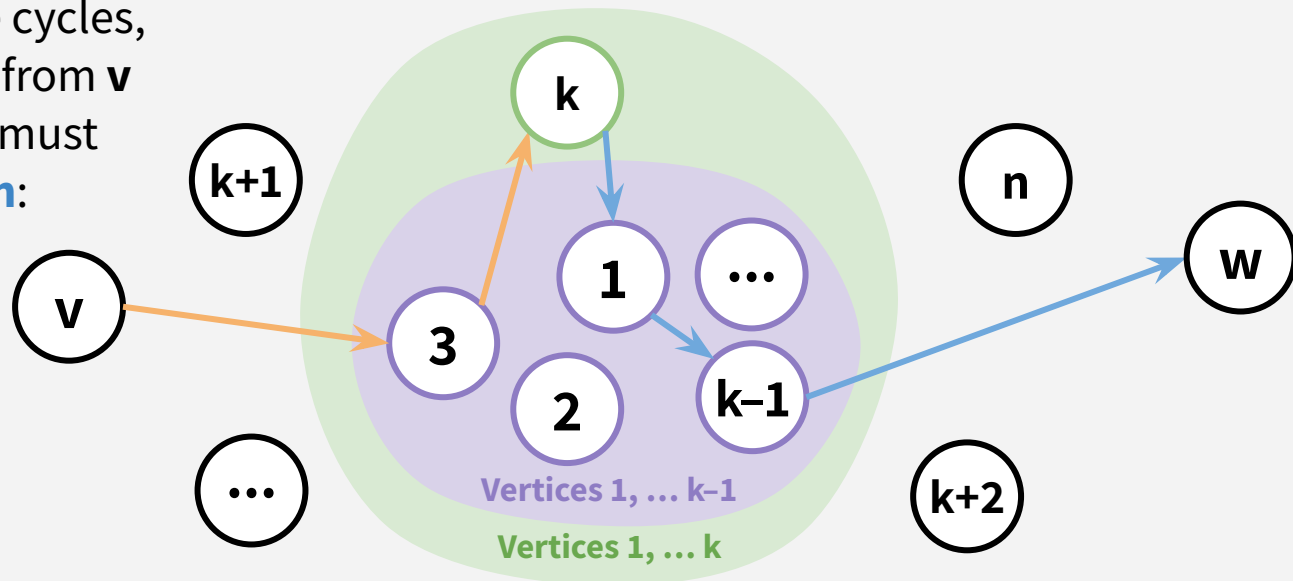
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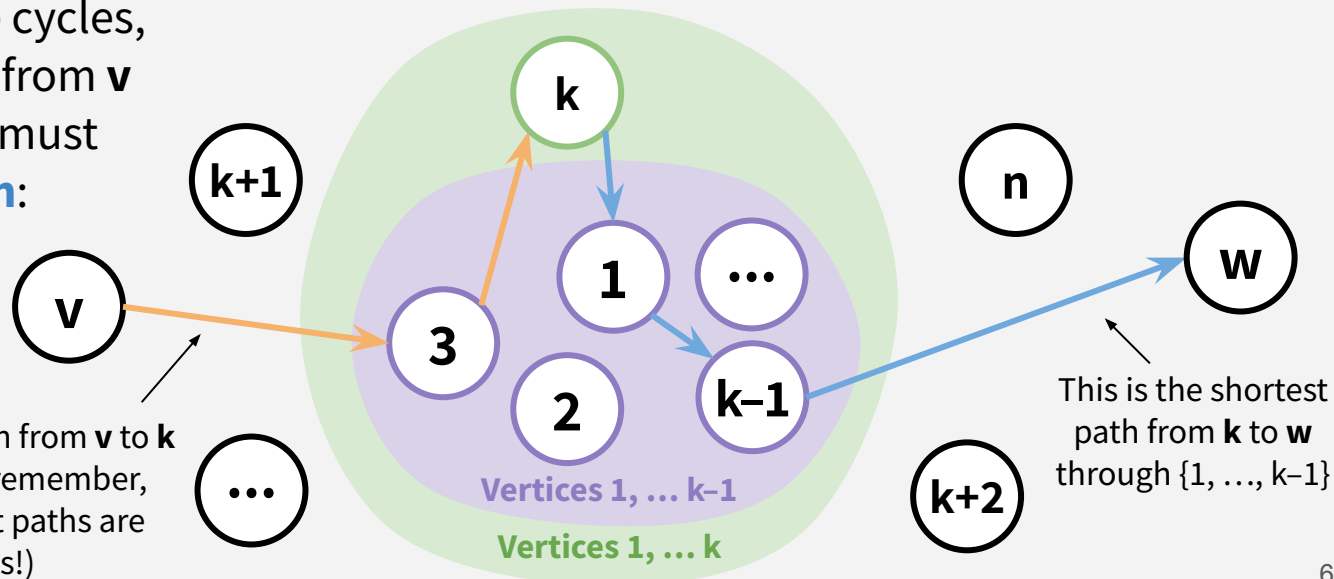
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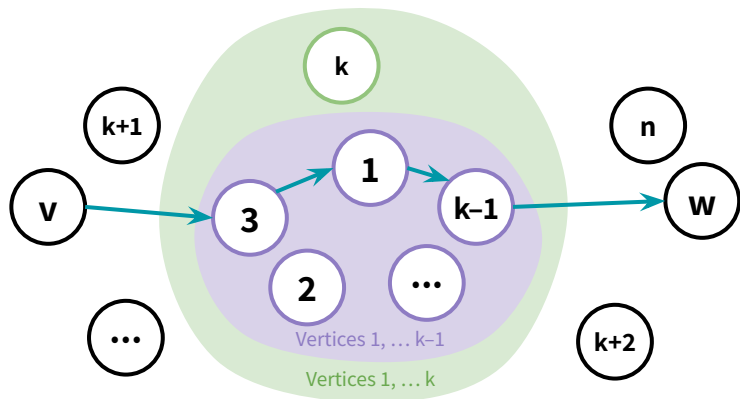




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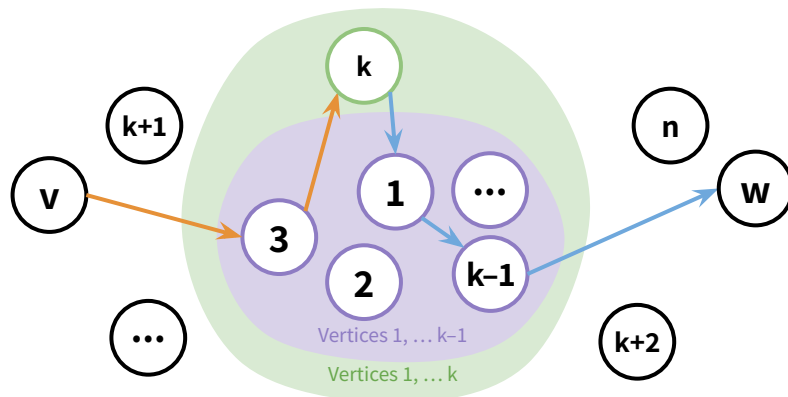
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**These subproblems are also overlapping:** Memoization/caching can be useful here! For example,  $D^{(k-1)}[k, w]$  can be used to help compute  $D^{(k)}[v, w]$  for a lot of different starting points as  $v$ !

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**Runtime:  $O(n^3)$**

(Better than running Bellman-Ford  $n$  times!)

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**if  $D^{(n)}[v,v] < 0$ :**

**return "NEGATIVE CYCLE!"**

return  $D^{(n)}$

# SHORTEST-PATH ALGORITHMS

$$n = |V|$$

$$m = |E|$$

BFS	DFS	DIJKSTRA	BELLMAN-FORD	FLOYD-WARSHALL
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