

More Terminology

Definition (Directed Graph)

A directed graph is a graph $G := (V, E)$ where V is a set (of objects) and E is a set of ordered pairs of elements of V .

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- In a directed graph each edge (u, v) has a direction
- Edges (u, v) and (v, u) can both exist, and have different weights
- An undirected graph can be seen as a special type of directed graph

Shortest Paths

With weighted edges a simple breadth-first search will not find the shortest paths

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- The "shortest" path from a to e is $\langle a,$

Questions

- What might a "brute force" algorithm do?
- How long would it take?

Bellman-Ford

The Bellman-Ford algorithm solves the general problem where edges may have negative weights

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- A distance array is used again
- $\text{distance}[v]$ is the **current estimate** of the shortest path to v
- The algorithm proceeds by gradually reducing these estimates

Bellman-Ford

Relaxing edge (u, v) checks if $s \rightsquigarrow u \rightarrow v$ reduces $\text{distance}[v]$

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Relax (Input: weighted edge (u, v))

- If $\text{distance}[v]$ is greater than $\text{distance}[u] + w(u, v)$ then:
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Why does the loop run $|V| - 1$ times?

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- All edges are relaxed $|V| - 1$ times so all paths are tried
- The algorithm returns *FALSE* if a **negative weight cycle** occurs

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Bellman-Ford

Definition (Negative Weight Cycle)

A path $C = \langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_l \rangle$ in a directed graph is a **negative weight cycle** iff C is a cycle and $\sum_{i=1}^{l-1} w(v_i, v_{i+1}) < 0$.

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If a directed graph G contains a negative weight cycle $\langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \rangle$ then:

- The shortest paths to all vertices reachable from v_1, \dots, v_n are **undefined**
- In this case Bellman-Ford will return *FALSE*

Time

Question

What is the time complexity of Bellman-Ford?

Bellman

- Set
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- Repeat $|V| - 1$ times:
 - For each edge $e \in E$
 - Relax e
- For each edge $(u, v) \in E$
 - If $distance[v]$ is greater than $distance[u] + w(u, v)$
 - Return *FALSE*
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

If G has non-negative edges only then we can use Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Bellman-Ford relaxes every edge of every path
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

Basic idea:

- Relax edges from one vertex
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Dijkstra's Algorithm

Dijkstra's algorithm maintains a set of vertices whose $distance[v]$ is correct

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$distance[v] = \text{infinity}$ for all vertices

do

$S \leftarrow \{s\}$

wh

u is vertex in $V - S$ with least $distance[u]$

for v in $G.\text{adj}[u]$

$relax(u, v)$

$S = S + \{u\}$

- The next vertex added to S is the one with the least $distance[u]$
- This value is now assumed to be minimal. Is this correct?

Correctness

In the following the function p represents the (actual) length of the shortest path from the source to a given vertex

- If the

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Theorem (Correctness of Dijkstra)

At the start of the while loop of Dijkstra's algorithm, run on directed graph $G = (V, E)$ with non-negative edge weights, let S be the set of vertices for which the distance is known. For each vertex $s \in V$: if $\text{distance}[v] = p(v)$ for all $v \in S$ and $\text{distance}[u] = p(u)$ for u , the next vertex added to S .

Proof

First we prove two useful properties

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Lemma (<https://eduassistpro.github.io>)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a weighted, directed graph with weight function w , and source vertex s . If (u, v) is an edge in E , then $p(v) \leq p(u) + w(u, v)$.

Proof.

If there is no path $s \rightsquigarrow u$, then $p(u) = \infty$, so $p(v) \leq p(u)$ and the lemma holds. If there is a path $s \rightsquigarrow u$, then $s \rightsquigarrow u \rightarrow v$ is a path to v . The length of one such path to v is $p(u) + w(u, v)$. The *shortest* path to v cannot be *longer* than this, so the lemma also holds in this case. \square

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Proof

This lemma shows that $distance[u]$ is always an **upper bound** for $p(u)$

Lemma (Upper Bound Lemma)

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a weighted, directed graph with weight function w , and source s . Then, for all $v \in V$, $distance[v] \geq p(v)$, for all $u \in V$, at

Proof.

Firstly, consider a sequence of 0 relaxed edges.

- $distance[u] = \infty$, for $u \neq s$
- $distance[s] = 0$

If s is part of a negative weight cycle, then $p(s) = -\infty$, otherwise $p(s) = 0$. So, $distance[u] \geq p(u)$ for all $u \in V$ in this case. □

Proof

Proof (continued).

Now consider the relaxation of edge (x, y) within some sequence of relaxations.

- Assume x, y

When (x, y) is relaxed, $distance[x]$ is the current distance of x .

- $distance[y] = distance[x] + w(x, y)$, so
- $distance[y] \leq p(x) + w(x, y)$ by the assumption
- $distance[y] \geq p(y)$, by the Triangle Lemma

So after relaxing (x, y) , $distance[u] \geq p(u)$ still holds for all vertices in G , and by the **principle of induction** $distance[u] \geq p(u)$ is always true for any sequence of edge relaxations. □

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- $\text{distance}[u] = \infty$, so
- $\text{distance}[u] = p(u)$.

and the theorem is true. □

Proof

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Proof (continued) <https://eduassistpro.github.io>

If there is a path $s \rightsquigarrow u$, then consider the shortest such path. Let this path be $s \rightsquigarrow^p x \rightarrow y \rightsquigarrow^q u$, where y is the first vertex on the path that is not in S . First, it is shown that $\text{distance}[y] = p(y)$, as follows. First, $\text{distance}[y]$ is the length of the shortest path from s to y . (Or there would be a shorter path from s to y .) Then,

- $\text{distance}[x] = p(x)$
- $\text{distance}[y] = \text{distance}[x] + w(x, y) = p(x) + w(x, y)$

since x is in S and (x, y) was relaxed when x was added to S . □

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And, since $s \rightsquigarrow^P x \rightarrow y$ is a shortest path from s to y , then:

- $p(y) = p(x) + w(x, y) = \text{distance}[y]$

Next we show that $\text{distance}[u] = \text{distance}[y]$ observations that

- (1) $\text{distance}[u] \leq \text{distance}[y]$, since u is added next to S
- (2) $p(y) \leq p(u)$, since all edges are non-negative.



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So, beginning with Observation (1):

- $distance[u] \leq distance[y]$, and therefore
- $distance[u] \leq p(y)$, and
- $distance[u] \leq p(u)$, by Observation (2).

But $distance[u] \geq p(u)$ by the Upper Bound Lemma, so $distance[u] = p(u)$ and the theorem is true. □

Dijkstra's Algorithm

Discussion

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What is the time complexity of Dijkstra's algorithm?

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Performance

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The running time of Dijkstra's algorithm depends on the way in which the ordering of the vertices is managed

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- Each edge is relaxed **once**, giving an aggregate of E

With a binary-heap-based priority queue adding, re (changing key) all run in $O(\log_2 V)$ time.

- Overall running time is then $O(E \log_2 V)$