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COMP2054 Tutorial Session 8: Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

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Session outcomes

- Understand how to solve all-pairs shortest path problem using dynamic programming.
- Apply Floyd-Warshall to directed graphs to solve all-pairs shortest path problem.

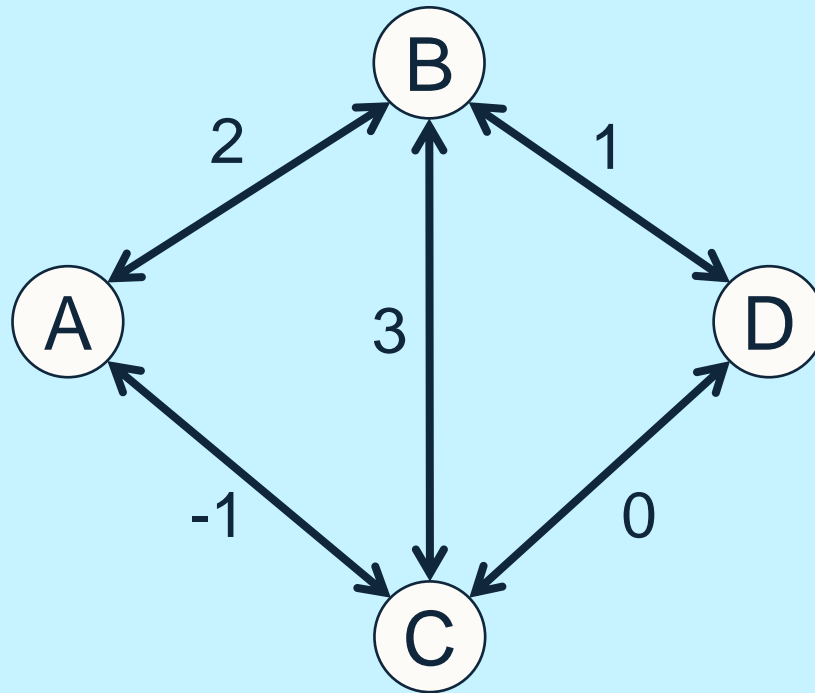


All-Pairs Shortest Paths



All-pairs shortest paths problem

- Given a directed or undirected graph, find the shortest paths (costs) between all pairs of nodes.





Floyd-Warshall

Dynamic programming algorithm for all-pairs shortest paths



Floyd-Warshall algorithm

- Given a directed or undirected graph, find the shortest paths (costs) between all pairs of nodes.
- Uses **dynamic programming** to build up the graph from:
 - No intermediate nodes...
 - ...to considering all nodes being allowed as intermediate nodes.



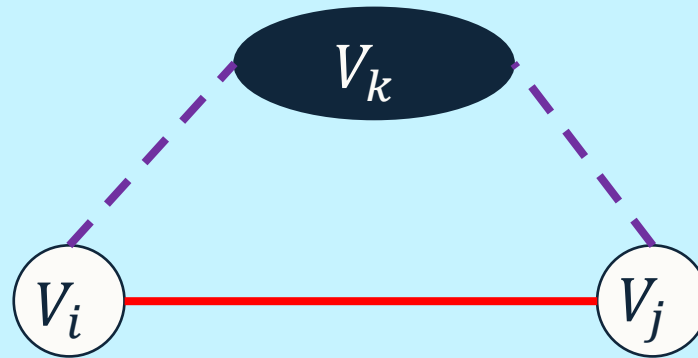
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- $d(i, j, k)$ - the shortest distance between nodes i and j through some subset (including the empty set) of $\{V_1, \dots, V_k\}$.



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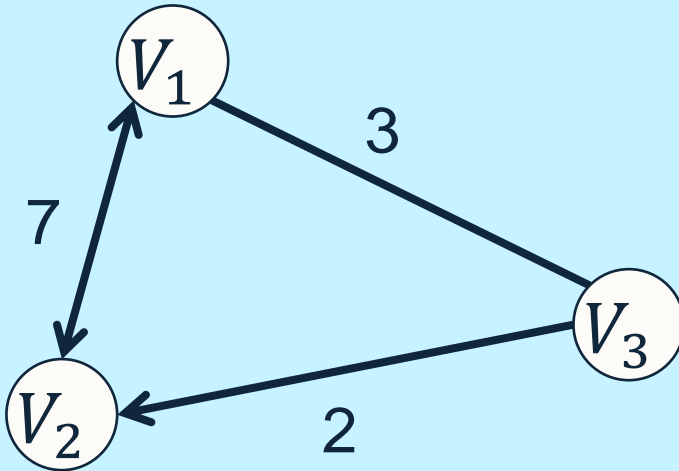
- $d(i, j, k)$ - the shortest distance between nodes i and j through some subset (including the empty set) of $\{V_1, \dots, V_k\}$.
- $d(i, j, k) = \min[\textcolor{red}{d(i, j, k-1)}, \textcolor{violet}{d(i, k, k-1)} + \textcolor{violet}{d(k, j, k-1)}]$





Floyd-Warshall Example: Initialisation

- Initialise the adjacency matrix



$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0		
V_2		0	
V_3			0

- $d(i, j, 0)$

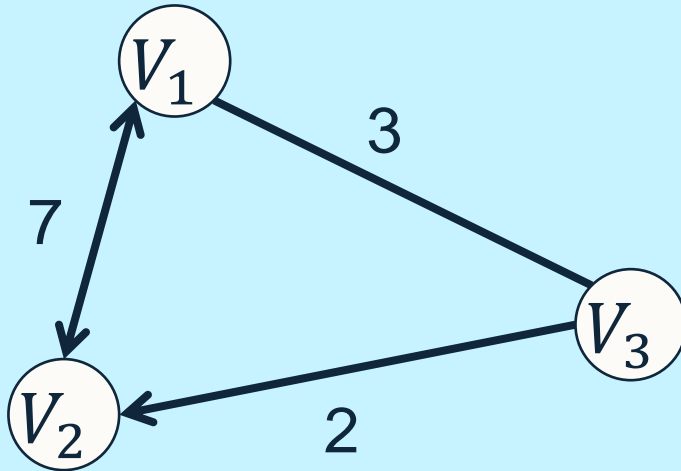
- Allowed intermediate nodes: $\{\}$

All $d(i, i) = 0$



Floyd-Warshall Example: Initialisation

- Initialise the adjacency matrix



$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	
V_3	3	2	0

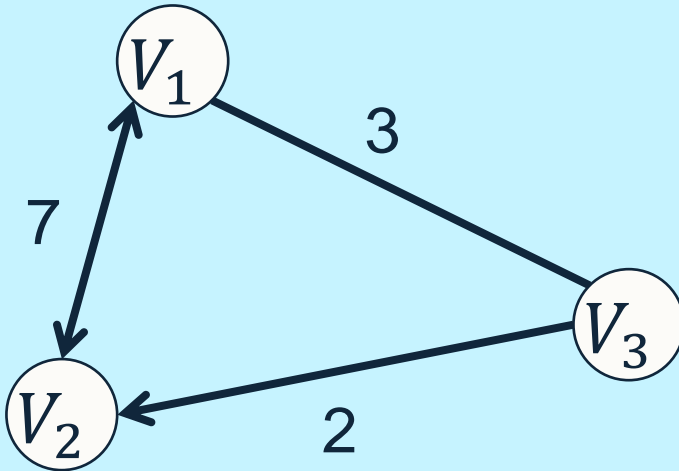
- $d(i, j, 0)$
- Allowed intermediate nodes: $\{\}$

If there is a (directed) edge linking two nodes, add the weight to the adjacency matrix.



Floyd-Warshall Example: Initialisation

- Initialise the adjacency matrix



$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	∞
V_3	3	2	0

- $d(i, j, 0)$

- Allowed intermediate nodes: $\{\}$

If there is no directed edge, add ∞



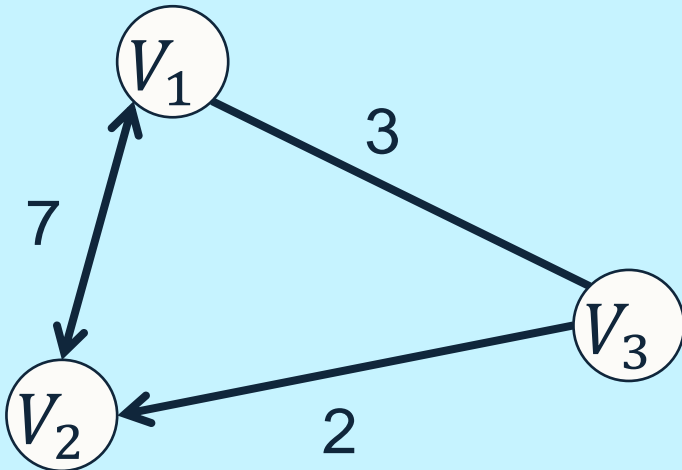
Floyd-Warshall Example

- Using the definition of:

$$d(i, j, k) = \min[d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1)]$$

- Repeat for $k = 1$ to K (the number of vertices):

Insert V_k as an intermediate node and update the matrix



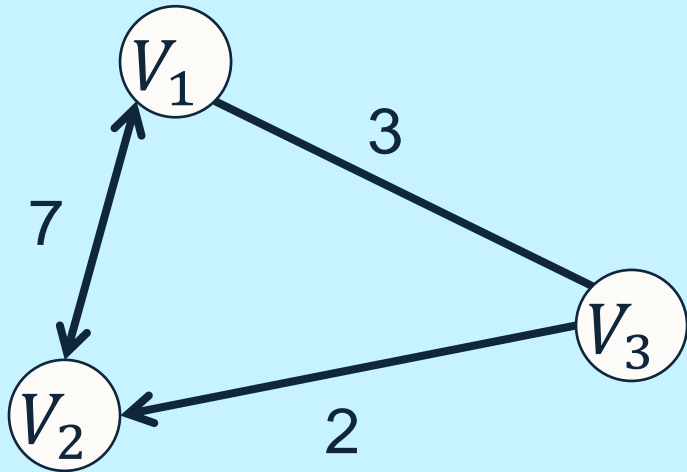
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V_3	3	2	0



Floyd-Warshall Example: $k=1$

$$d(i, j, k) = \min[d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1)]$$

- $k = 1$
- $d(i, j, 1) = \min[d(i, j, 0), d(i, 1, 0) + d(1, j, 0)]$
- Intermediate nodes = $\{V_1\}$



$k = 0$

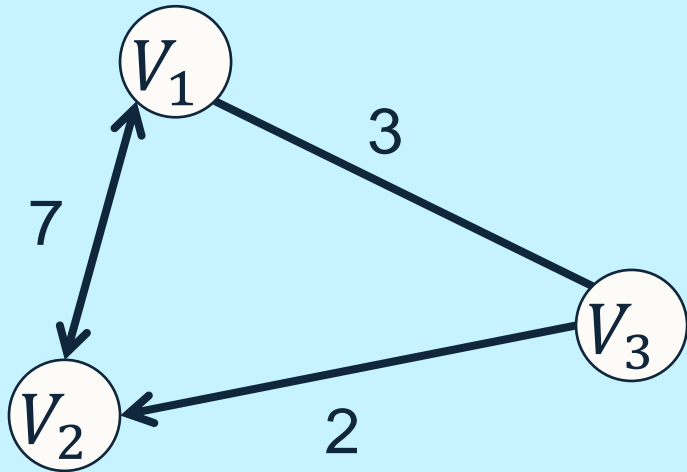
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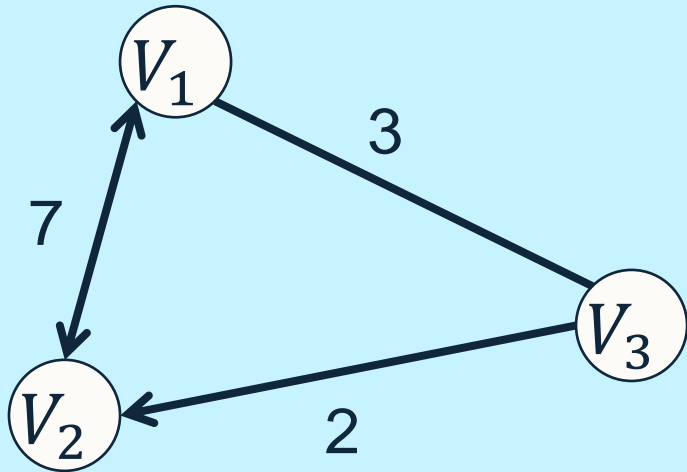


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$$\begin{aligned} d(1, 1, 1) &= \min[d(1, 1, 0), d(1, 1, 0) + d(1, 1, 0)] \\ &= \min[0, 0 + 0] = 0 \end{aligned}$$



$k = 0$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
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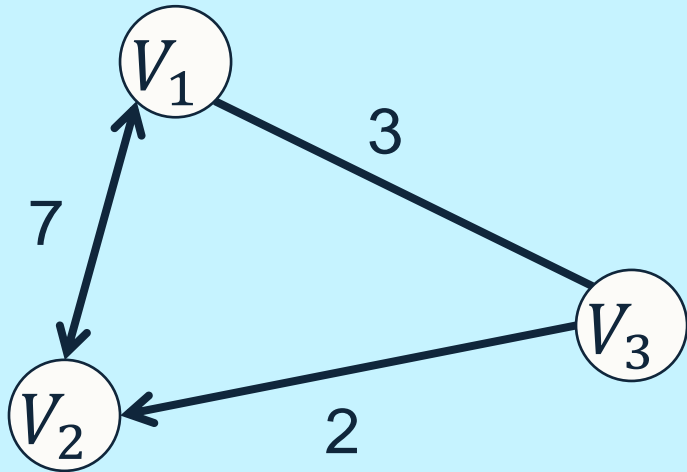


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$$d(1, 2, 1) = \min[d(1, 2, 0), d(1, 1, 0) + d(1, 2, 0)] \\ = \min[7, 0 + 7] = 7$$



$k = 0$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	∞
V_3	3	2	0

$k = 1$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	
V_2			
V_3			

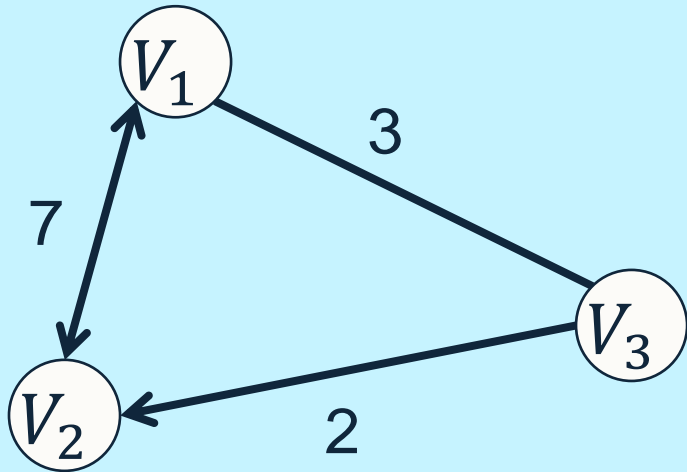


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$$\begin{aligned} d(2, 3, 1) &= \min[d(2, 3, 0), d(2, 1, 0) + d(1, 3, 0)] \\ &= \min[\infty, 7 + 3] = 10 \end{aligned}$$



$k = 0$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	∞
V_3	3	2	0

$k = 1$

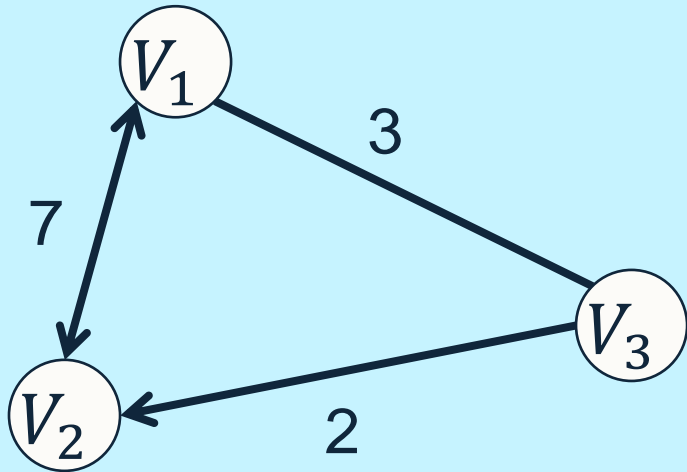
$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	
V_2			10
V_3			



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$k = 0$

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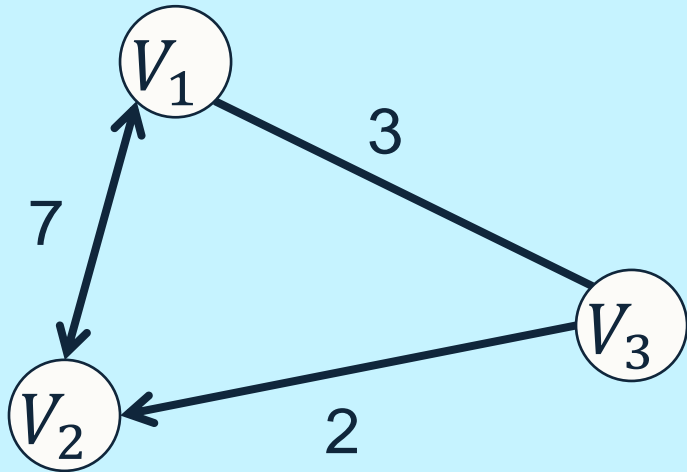
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Floyd-Warshall Example

$$d(i, j, k) = \min[d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1)]$$

- Working cell-by-cell in this way is quite laborious and error prone.
- There is a “shortcut” we can use to make the working more straightforward...



$k = 0$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
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V_3	3	2	0

$k = 1$

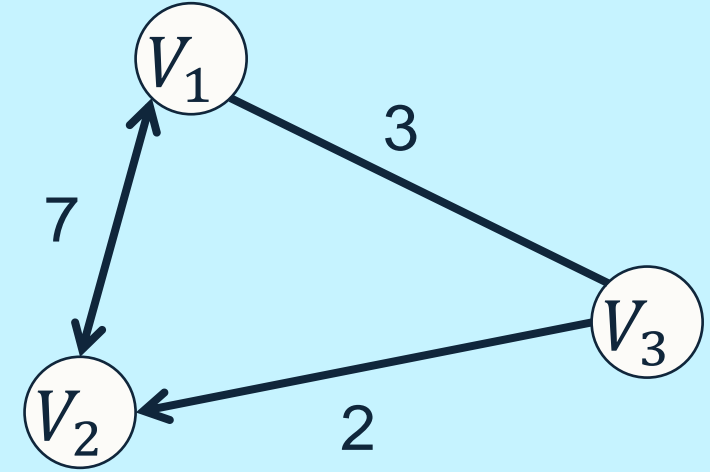
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Floyd-Warshall Example: Shortcut

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$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
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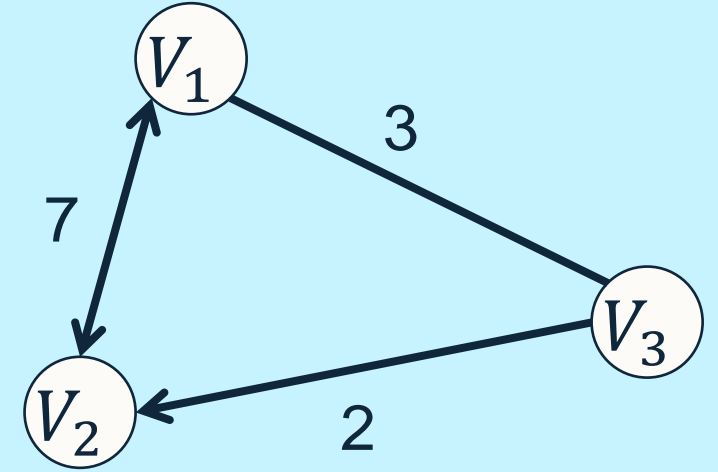
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Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1			
V_2			
V_3			

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$k = 1$

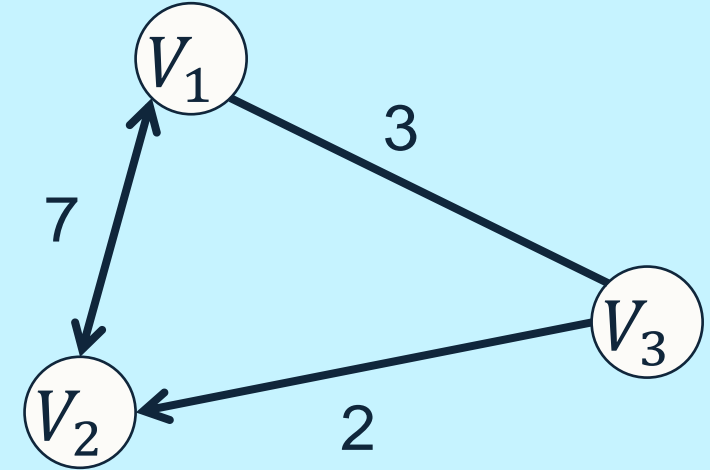
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Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	$0+0$	$0+7$	$0+3$
V_2	$7+0$	$7+7$	$7+3$
V_3	$3+0$	$3+7$	$3+3$

0 7 3

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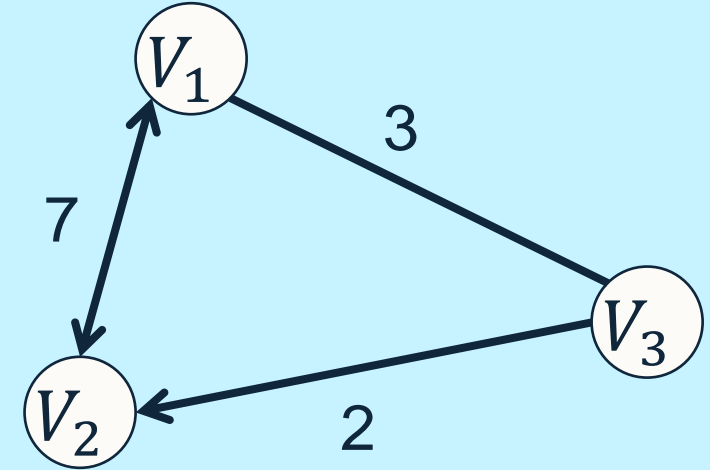
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Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	14	10
V_3	3	10	6

0 7 3

$k = 1$

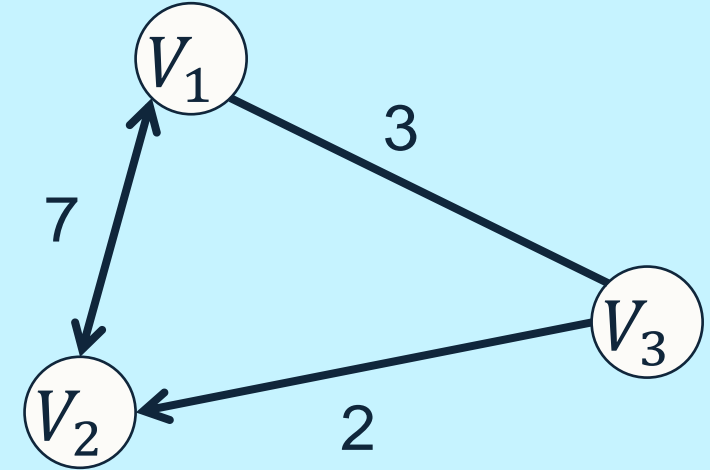
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Intermediate sum

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V_1	0	7	3
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$k = 1$ as $\min[k = 0, \text{Intermediate sum}]$

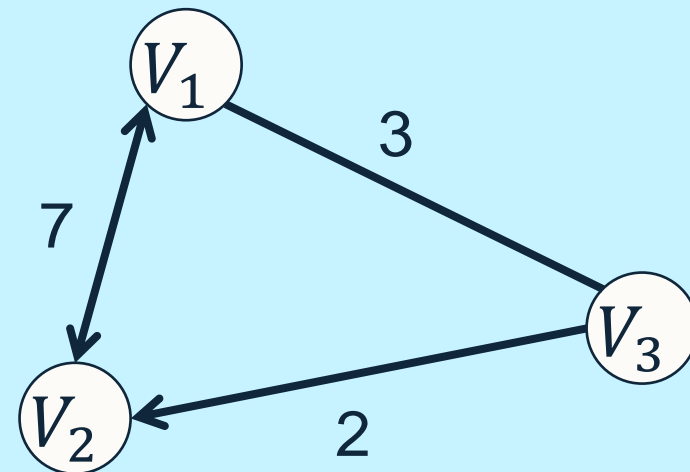
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V_1	0	7	3
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Floyd-Warshall Example: Shortcut

$$d(i, j, k) = \min[d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1)]$$

- $k = 2$
- $d(i, j, 2) = \min[d(i, j, 1), d(i, 2, 1) + d(2, j, 1)]$
- Intermediate nodes = $\{V_1, V_2\}$



$k = 1$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	10
V_3	3	2	0

Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1			
V_2			
V_3			

$k = 2$ as $\min[k = 1, \text{Intermediate sum}]$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1			
V_2			
V_3			

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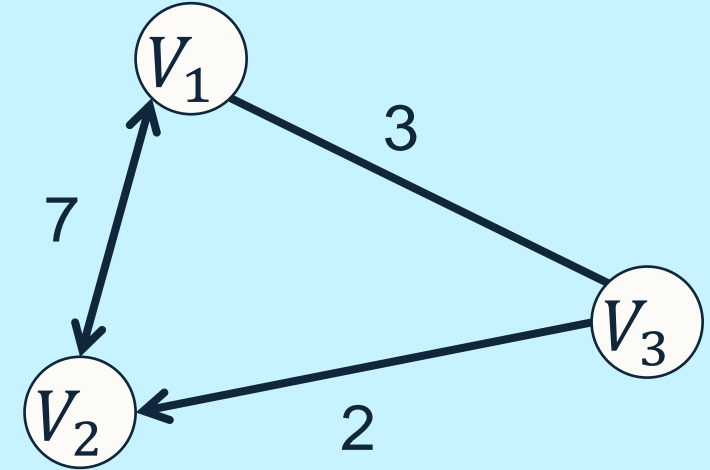
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Floyd-Warshall Example: Shortcut

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- $d(i, j, 2) = \min[d(i, j, 1), d(i, 2, 1) + d(2, j, 1)]$
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$k = 1$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	10
V_3	3	2	0

Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	14	7	17
V_2	7	0	10
V_3	9	2	12

$k = 2$ as $\min[k = 1, \text{Intermediate sum}]$

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V_2			
V_3			

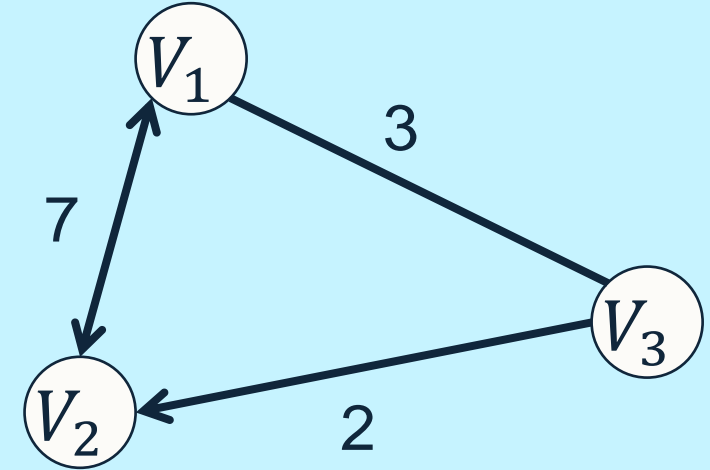
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$k = 1$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
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V_3	3	2	0

Intermediate sum

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$k = 2$ as $\min[k = 1, \text{Intermediate sum}]$

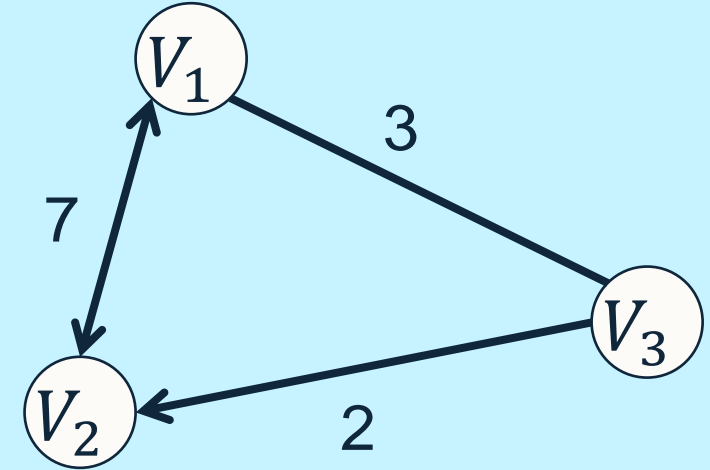
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Floyd-Warshall Example: Shortcut

$$d(i, j, k) = \min[d(i, j, k-1), d(i, k, k-1) + d(k, j, k-1)]$$

- $k = 3$
- $d(i, j, 3) = \min[d(i, j, 2), d(i, 3, 2) + d(3, j, 2)]$
- Intermediate nodes = $\{V_1, V_2, V_3\}$



$k = 2$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	10
V_3	3	2	0

Intermediate sum

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	6	5	3
V_2	13	12	10
V_3	3	2	0

3

10

0

3

2

0

$k = 3$ as $\min[k = 2, \text{Intermediate sum}]$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	5	3
V_2	7	0	10
V_3	3	2	0



Floyd-Warshall Example: Complete Shortcut

Intermediate sum:

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	14	10
V_3	3	10	6

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
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V_2	7	0	10
V_3	9	2	12

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	6	5	3
V_2	13	12	10
V_3	3	2	0

$k = 0$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
V_2	7	0	∞
V_3	3	2	0

$k = 1$

$i \backslash j$	V_1	V_2	V_3
V_1	0	7	3
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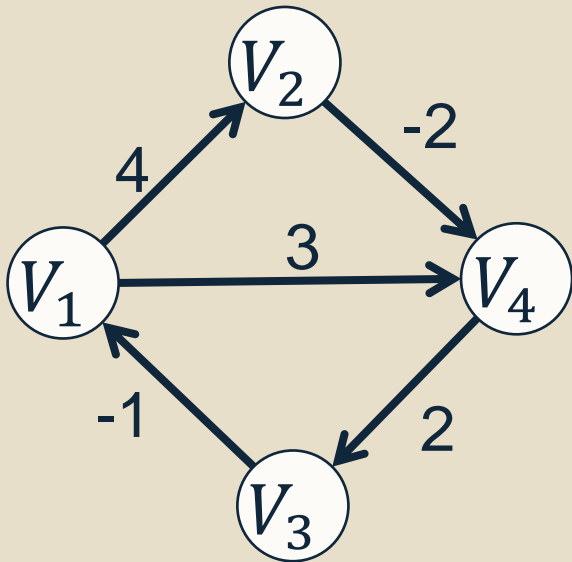
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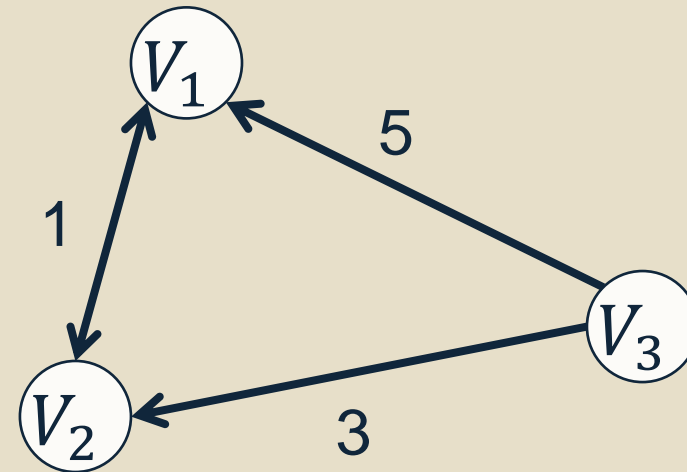
Floyd-Warshall Questions

Use the Floyd-Warshall algorithm to find the matrix of all-pairs shortest paths for the graphs below.

Q1.



Q2.





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Thank you