

• Dijkstra's Algorithm :-

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→ This is other kind of shortest path problem.

→ Here there exists source vertex from where the path is to be started & calculates its shortest path from all vertices to reach the destination vertex.

→ This algorithm is given by E.W. Dijkstra and is called Dijkstra's Algorithm.

→ The steps to be followed in this Dijkstra's Algorithm are,

1. Initially mark all distances from the source vertex/node as ∞ except the source vertex..., i.e., mark the distance of source vertex/node as 0.

2. Then check all the possible outgoing edges of source node and calculate their distances as,

$$\left(\text{Current length of source vertex to next vertex} \right) + \left(\text{Prev. (source vertex) distance} \right)$$

< its previous distance

i.e., let V_1 be source vertex & V_2, V_3 are its attached nodes.
@ outgoing edges.

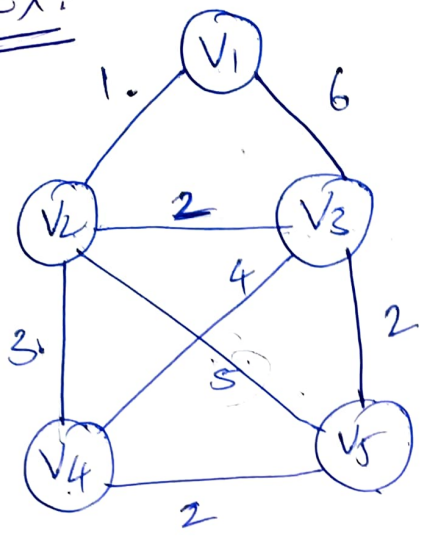
$$\left[\text{length}(V_1 \text{ to } V_2) + V_1 \text{ distance (Prev.)} \right] < \text{length}[i]$$

where 'i' is the Prev. distance of that node which was calculated already.

3. Then mark the node V_1 . Also if above condition is true then LHS part is taken as distance @ RHS part is taken.

4. Continue the same method till it reaches all nodes of graph & find shortest distance & path from final table.

Ex:-



Step 1:- Initially set all the vertices length to ∞ except the first node in graph (take it as 0).

status	node/vertices	length/distance
→	V ₁	0
	V ₂	∞
	V ₃	∞
	V ₄	∞
	V ₅	∞

Step 2:- check all outgoing edges of node V₁ (status indicated node)

status	node	distance
→	V ₁	0
	V ₂	$1 + 0 < \infty$
	V ₃	$6 + 0 < \infty$
	V ₄	∞
	V ₅	∞

{ \because V₁-V₂ it is 1 and prev. V₁ value is 0 and prev value is ∞).

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status	node	distance
✓	V ₁	0
→	V ₂	1
	V ₃	6
	V ₄	∞
	V ₅	∞

Step 3:- Now v_1 node is marked. Then check all outgoing edges of node v_2 (ie, the next least). (14.8)

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
→	v_2	1
	v_3	$2+1 < \infty$ (T)
	v_4	$3+1 < \infty$
	v_5	$5+1 < \infty$

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
✓	v_2	1
→	v_3	3
	v_4	4
	v_5	6

Step 4:- Now v_1, v_2 are marked. Then check all outgoing edges of node v_3 (ie, next least).

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
✓	v_2	1
→	v_3	3
	v_4	$4+3 < 4$ (F)
	v_5	$2+3 < 6$ (T)

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
✓	v_2	1
✓	v_3	3
→	v_4	4
	v_5	5

Step 5:- Now v_1, v_2, v_3 are marked. Then check all outgoing edges of node v_4 (ie, next least).

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
✓	v_2	1
✓	v_3	3
→	v_4	4
	v_5	$2+4 < 5$ (F)
		$6 < 5$ (F)

status	node	distance
✓	v_1	0
✓	v_2	1
✓	v_3	3
✓	v_4	4
✓	v_5	5

So finally the Shortest path for vertex 5 from source vertex 1 is of length '5' ie, $v_1 - v_2 - v_3 - v_5$ ✓