# Single Source Shortest Path

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## 1 Dijkstra Algorithm

In this section, we discuss the Dijkstra algorithm. The objective of this algorithm is to find the shortest path from the source node to all other nodes in a weighted graph. The algorithm uses priority queue to greedily select the closest vertex that has not yet been processed, and performs the relaxation process on all of its outgoing edges.

#### 1.1 Pseudo Code Implementation:

```
Dijkstra(G, W, s)  // uses priority queue
    Initialize (G, s)
    S <-- Null
    Q <-- V[G]
    while Q != null
        do u <-- ExtractMin(Q)  // Delete u from Q
        S = S U {u}
        for each vertex v E Adj[u]
        do RELAX(u, v, w) <-- this is an implicit DECREASE_KEY operation</pre>
```

[VK: Can you elaborate on the notations?. Add a line at the top of the pseudo-code to define the symbols.]

#### 1.2 Data Structures Used:

```
typedef pair<int, int> pii;
typedef vector<vector<pii>>> Graph;
```

- The graph is represented as an adjacency list where graph[u] contains all neighbors of vertex u
- Each neighbor is stored as a pair weight, vertex for efficient priority queue operations.

#### 1.3 Main Algorithm Steps:

1. Initialization

```
vector<int> dist(n, numeric_limits<int>::max());
dist[source] = 0;
priority_queue<pii, vector<pii>, greater<pii>> pq;
pq.push({0, source});
```

- We set all distances to infinity (max int value) except the source (which is 0)
- A min-priority queue is created and the source is added with distance 0

#### 1.4 Main Processing Loop:

```
while(!pq.empty()) {
   int u = pq.top().second;
   int dist_u = pq.top().first;

   pq.pop();

   if(dist_u > dist[u] {
      continue;
   }
   // Process Neighbors
}
```

- We repeatedly extract the vertex with the smallest distance from the priority queue.
- The distu ¿ dist[u] check helps avoid processing outdated entries in the priority queue.

#### 1.5 Edge Relaxation:

• For each neighbor of the current vertex, we check if we can improve its distance.

- If the path through the current vertex u is shorter than the previously known shortest path to v, we update dist[v].
- We then add this vertex to the priority queue with its new distance.

#### 1.6 Time and Space Complexity:

**Time Complexity**:  $O((V + E)\log V)$  where V is the number of vertices and E is the number of edges

- Each vertex is extracted from the queue once: O(VlogV)
- Each edge is examined once: O(ElogV)

```
#include<iostream>
#include<vector>
#include<queue>
#include<limits>
#include<utility>
using namespace std;
// Typedefs for convenience
typedef pair<int, int> pii; (weight, vertex)
typedef vector<vector<pii>>> Graph;
//Function to implement Dijkstra algorithm
vector<int> dijkstra(const Graph& graph, int source) {
    int n = graph.size(); // number of vertices
    // Distance array to store shortest distance from source to each vertex
    vector<int> dist(n, numeric_limits<int>::max());
    // Priority Queue to get the vertex with minimum distance
    // We use min-heap with custom comparison
   priority_queue<pii, vector<pii>, greater<pii>> pq;
    // Distance of source from itself to 0
    dist[source] = 0;
    pq.push({0, source}); // push (distance, vector)
    // Process vertices
    while(!pq.empty()) {
        // Get vertex with minimum distance
        int u = pq.top().second;
        int dist_u = pq.top().first;
        pq.pop();
```

```
// If the popped vertex distance is greater than the calculated distance, skip
        if(dist_u > dist[u]) {
            continue;
        // Check all adjacent vertices of u
        for(const auto& edge: graph[u]) {
            int v = edge.second;
            int weight = edge.first;
            // If there is a shorter path to v through u
            if(dist[u] != numeric_limits<int>::max() &&
                dist[u] + weight < dist[v] ) {</pre>
                    dist[v] = dist[u] + weight;
                    pq.push({dist[v], v});
        }
    }
    return dist;
}
```

### 1.7 Example Execution:

In the example graph provided:

- We start at vertex 0 with distance 0
- Process neighbors at 0: update dist[1] = 4 and dist[2] = 3
- Next process vertex 2 (distance 3): update dist[3] = 7, dist[4] = 6
- Continue until all reachable vertices have their shortest paths calculated.

## 2 Bellman Ford Algorithm

The Bellman-Ford algorithm is a way to find single-source shortest paths in a graph with negative edge weights (but no negative cycles). The second loop of this algorithm also detects negative cycles.

The first loop relaxes each of the edges in the graph n-1 times. We claim that after n-1 iterations, the distances are guaranteed to be correct.

In general, the algorithm takes O(mn) time.

```
d[s] <-- 0
pii[s] <-- s
for each v E V - {s}
    do d[v] <-- inf</pre>
```

```
for i \leftarrow -i to |V|-1
        do for each edge (u,v) E E
            do if d[v] > d[u] + w(u,v)
                pii[v] <-- u
    for each edge (u,v) E E
        do if d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)
            then report negative cycle
   A complete information of the Bellman-Ford Algorithm
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include <limits>
#include <iomanip>
#include <fstream>
#include <sstream>
using namespace std;
// Structure to represent a weighted edge in the graph
struct Edge {
    int src, dest, weight;
};
// Function to implement Bellman-Ford algorithm
bool bellmanFord(const vector<Edge>& edges, int V, int source, vector<int>& dist, vector<int
    // Initialize distances from source to all vertices as infinite
    dist.assign(V, numeric_limits<int>::max());
    predecessor.assign(V, -1);
    // Distance of source vertex from itself is 0
    dist[source] = 0;
    // Relax all edges V-1 times
    for (int i = 1; i \le V - 1; i++) {
        bool anyUpdate = false;
        for (const auto& edge : edges) {
            int u = edge.src;
            int v = edge.dest;
            int weight = edge.weight;
            // If vertex u is reachable and we can get a shorter path to v
            if (dist[u] != numeric_limits<int>::max() && dist[u] + weight < dist[v]) {</pre>
                dist[v] = dist[u] + weight;
```

pii[v] <-- nil</pre>

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predecessor[v] = u;
                anyUpdate = true;
            }
        }
        // If no update was made in this iteration, we can break early
        if (!anyUpdate) {
            break;
    }
    // Check for negative-weight cycles
    for (const auto& edge : edges) {
        int u = edge.src;
        int v = edge.dest;
        int weight = edge.weight;
        if (dist[u] != numeric_limits<int>::max() && dist[u] + weight < dist[v]) {</pre>
            cout << "Graph contains negative weight cycle!" << endl;</pre>
            return false; // Negative cycle exists
        }
    }
    return true; // No negative cycle
}
// Function to reconstruct the shortest path from source to destination
vector<int> getPath(int dest, const vector<int>& predecessor) {
    vector<int> path;
    for (int at = dest; at != -1; at = predecessor[at]) {
        path.push_back(at);
    reverse(path.begin(), path.end());
    return path;
}
// Function to print the paths
void printPaths(int source, const vector<int>& dist, const vector<int>& predecessor) {
    int V = dist.size();
    cout << "Shortest paths from vertex " << source << ":\n";</pre>
    for (int i = 0; i < V; i++) {
        if (i != source) {
            cout << "To vertex " << i << " (distance: ";</pre>
            if (dist[i] == numeric_limits<int>::max()) {
                cout << "INF): Not reachable" << endl;</pre>
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} else {
                 cout << dist[i] << "): ";</pre>
                 vector<int> path = getPath(i, predecessor);
                 for (size_t j = 0; j < path.size(); j++) {</pre>
                     cout << path[j];</pre>
                     if (j < path.size() - 1) cout << " -> ";
                 cout << endl;</pre>
            }
        }
    }
}
// Function to read graph from file (optional)
bool readGraphFromFile(const string& filename, vector<Edge>& edges, int& V) {
    ifstream file(filename);
    if (!file.is_open()) {
        cout << "Could not open file: " << filename << endl;</pre>
        return false;
    }
    file >> V;
    int E;
    file >> E;
    edges.resize(E);
    for (int i = 0; i < E; i++) {
        file >> edges[i].src >> edges[i].dest >> edges[i].weight;
    }
    file.close();
    return true;
}
// Function to create a graph manually
void createGraphManually(vector<Edge>& edges, int& V) {
    cout << "Enter number of vertices: ";</pre>
    cin >> V;
    int E;
    cout << "Enter number of edges: ";</pre>
    cin >> E;
    cout << "Enter edge information (source destination weight):" << endl;</pre>
    edges.resize(E);
    for (int i = 0; i < E; i++) {
```

```
cout << "Edge " << i+1 << ": ";
        cin >> edges[i].src >> edges[i].dest >> edges[i].weight;
    }
}
int main() {
    vector<Edge> edges;
    int V;
    int choice;
    cout << "=== Bellman-Ford Shortest Path Algorithm ===" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "1. Use example graph" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "2. Create graph manually" << endl;</pre>
    cout << "3. Read graph from file (format: V E followed by E lines of source dest weight)
    cout << "Enter choice: ";</pre>
    cin >> choice;
    switch (choice) {
        case 1: {
             // Example graph
             V = 5;
             edges = {
                 \{0, 1, -1\}, \{0, 2, 4\}, \{1, 2, 3\}, \{1, 3, 2\},
                 \{1, 4, 2\}, \{3, 2, 5\}, \{3, 1, 1\}, \{4, 3, -3\}
             };
             break;
        }
        case 2:
             createGraphManually(edges, V);
             break;
        case 3: {
             string filename;
             cout << "Enter filename: ";</pre>
             cin >> filename;
             if (!readGraphFromFile(filename, edges, V)) {
                 return 1;
             }
             break;
        default:
             cout << "Invalid choice!" << endl;</pre>
             return 1;
    }
    int source;
    cout << "Enter source vertex (0 to " << V-1 << "): ";</pre>
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```
cin >> source;
    // Validate source vertex
    if (source < 0 || source >= V) {
        cout << "Invalid source vertex!" << endl;</pre>
        return 1;
    }
    vector<int> dist;
    vector<int> predecessor;
    // Run Bellman-Ford algorithm
    if (bellmanFord(edges, V, source, dist, predecessor)) {
        printPaths(source, dist, predecessor);
    } else {
        cout << "Cannot find shortest paths due to negative cycle" << endl;</pre>
    }
    return 0;
}
```