



# Algorithm – Floyd Warshall

**Course: Algorithms** 

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## Floyd-Warshall Algorithm for All Pairs Shortest Path Problem

This lecture covers the interesting aspects of all pairs shortest path algorithm – The popularly known Floyd–Warshall Algorithm. We will also look at its computation complexity with the limitations.

#### Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Single Source Shortest Path Algorithm proposed by Dijkstra in 1956 (Originally conceived)
- Basic Idea:
  - Two sets are maintained:
  - one set contains vertices included in shortest path tree and the other set includes vertices not yet included in shortest path tree
  - At every step of the algorithm, we find a vertex which is in the other set (set of not yet included) and has a minimum distance from the source
- Similar to Prim's algorithm for MST

#### **Bellman-Ford Algorithm**

- A Single Source Shortest Path Algorithm
- Dijkstra's algorithm does not work with a graph having negative edges
- Basic Idea:
  - Assume that the graph has n nodes and m edges
  - Consider all edges and relax them (n 1) times
    - Mhh5
      - Check with the length of the longest path in the graph
    - Dynamic programming

#### **Key Aspect in Bellman-Ford**

- Dynamic programming
  - Explore All possible solutions and find the best solution to the given problem
  - Relaxation criteria
     Consider an edge connecting a pair of vertices: (u, v)

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If (d[u] + c[u,v] < d[v]) then d[v] = d[u] + c[u,v]
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How many times do we relax all edges?

- (n-1) times (Why?)
- the longest possible path connecting n edges

#### Floyd – Warshall Algorithm

- Problem:
  - Find the shortest path between every pair of source and destination vertices
  - Negative edges are allowed
  - What is the solution?
    - Different approaches can be applied
  - We focus on the solution based on
    - Dynamic Programming
    - Divide and Conquer approach
    - ...
      and so on

#### Floyd – Warshall: Basic Idea

- Solution:
  - Dynamic Programming
  - Pick one by one pick vertices and updates all shortest paths which include the picked vertex as an intermediate vertex in the shortest path
  - When we pick a vertex k as an intermediate vertex, we already have considered vertices {0, 1, 2, .. k-1} as intermediate vertices
  - In every step, consider traversing through the middle vertex, if direct edge weight is larger

#### Floyd – Warshall: Basic Idea

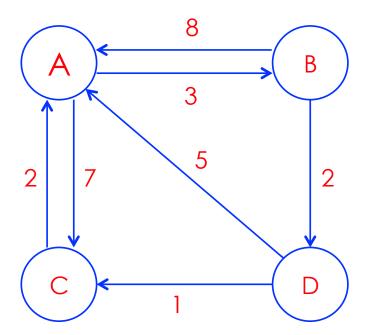
- For every pair (i, j) of vertices, there are two cases:
  - k is not an intermediate vertex in shortest path: i → j
     We keep the value of dist[i][j] unchanged
  - k is an intermediate vertex in shortest path: i → j
     Update the value of dist[i][j] as follows:

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if dist[i][j] > dist[i][k] + dist[k][j] then
dist[i][j] = dist[i][k] + dist[k][j]
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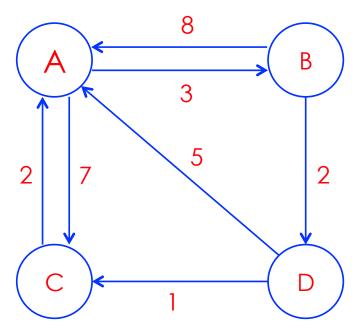
- Choose the minimum and store it in dist[i][j]
- Explore optimal substructure property in the all-pairs shortest path problem

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Apply Floyd – Warshall Algorithm

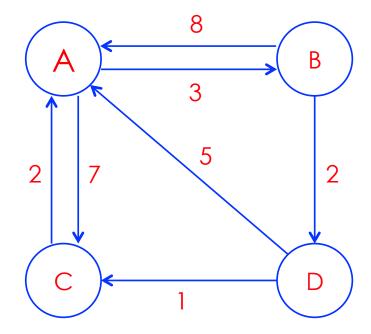


- Dynamic Programming guides to solve the problem by considering a sequence of decisions
- In each stage we will take a decision
- For a given source and destination vertices, there can be direct path and indirect paths.
- So choose the middle vertices as the source vertex
- Now check whether does the shortest path go via that middle vertex?



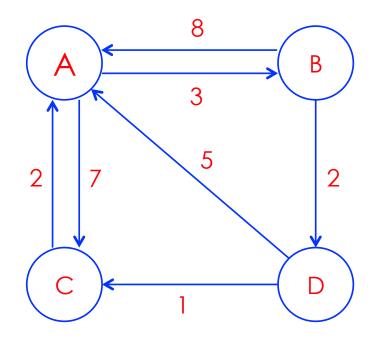
Create an Initial Matrix

$M_0 =$				
	Α	В	С	D
Α	0	3	∞	7
В	8	0	2	8
С	5	8	0	1
D	2	8	8	0



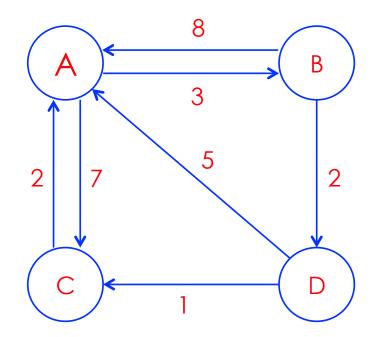
Compute M<sup>1</sup>
 (via node A)

	Α	В	С	D
Α	0	3	∞	7
В	8	0	2	15
С	5	8	0	1
D	2	5	∞	0



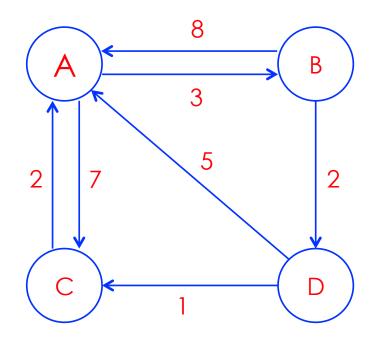
• Compute M<sup>2</sup>

	Α	В	С	D
Α	0	3	5	7
В	8	0	2	15
С	5	8	0	1
D	2	5	7	0



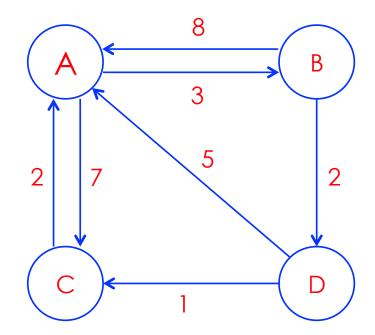
• Compute M<sup>3</sup>

	Α	В	С	D
Α	0	3	5	6
В	8	0	2	3
С	5	8	0	1
D	2	5	7	0



Compute M<sup>4</sup>

	Α	В	С	D
Α	0	3	5	6
В	5	0	2	3
С	3	6	0	1
D	2	5	7	0



#### Floyd-Warshall: Fact

We follow the simple relaxation formula:
 M<sup>k</sup>[i, j] = min{M<sup>k-1</sup>[i, k], M<sup>k-1</sup>[i, k] + M<sup>k-1</sup>[k, j]}

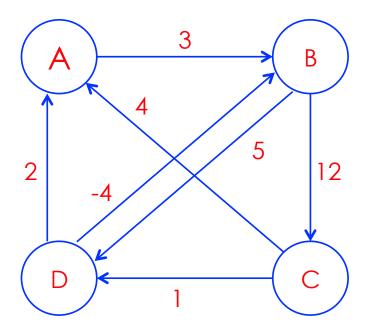
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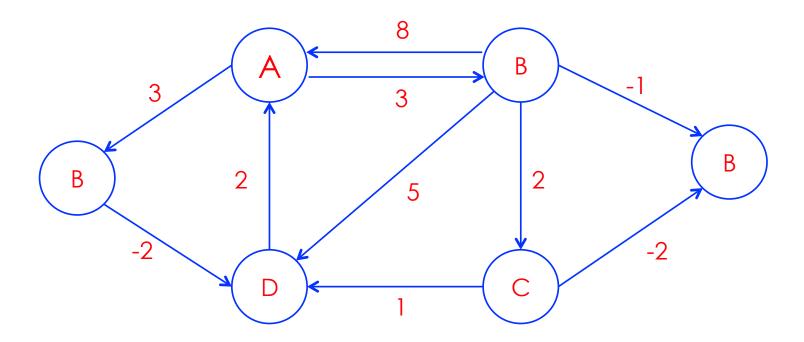
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for (k =1; k <=n; k++) {
    for (i =1; i <=n; i++) {
        for (j =1; j <=n; j++) {
            M[i,j] = min{ M[i,j], M[i,k] + M[k,j]} }
        }
    }
}</pre>
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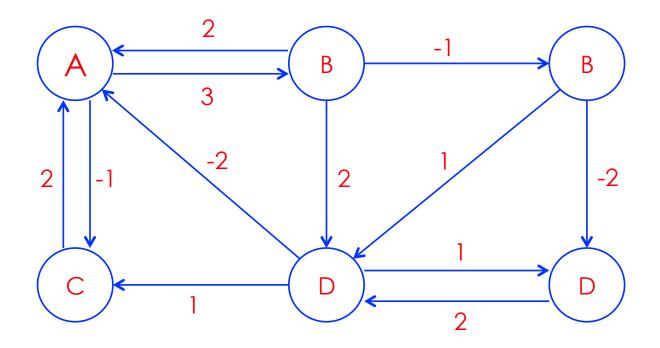
## Floyd-Warshall: Complexity

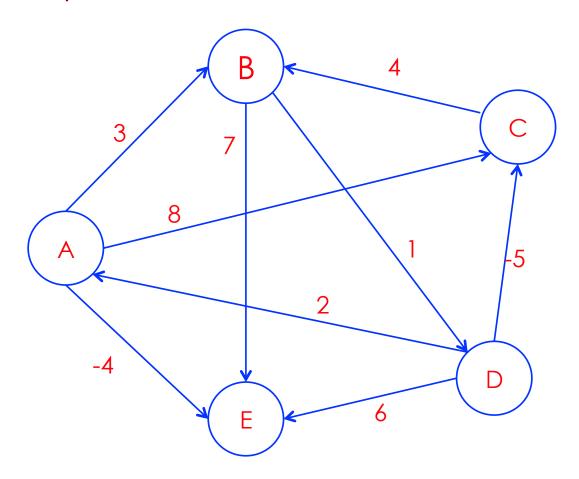
- Time Complexity
- There are | V | = n vertices

 $\rightarrow$  Thus the time complexity is O (n<sup>3</sup>)









#### Help among Yourselves?

- Perspective Students (having CGPA above 8.5 and above)
- Promising Students (having CGPA above 6.5 and less than 8.5)
- Needy Students (having CGPA less than 6.5)
  - Can the above group help these students? (Your work will also be rewarded)
- You may grow a culture of collaborative learning by helping the needy students

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#### **Assistance**

- You may post your questions to me at any time
- You may meet me in person on available time or with an appointment
- TA s would assist you to clear your doubts.
- You may leave me an email any time (email is the best way to reach me faster)

#### Thanks ...

