

**Problem 0.**

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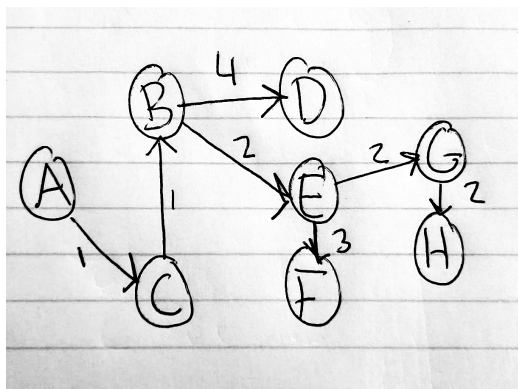
**Problem 1.**

a. Distance from source to each node =

Step	Min heap (dist, node)	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
0	(0, A)	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
1	(1, C), (3, B)	0	3, A	<b>1, A</b>	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
2	(2, B), (8, F)	0	<b>2, C</b>	1, A	$\infty$	$\infty$	8, C	$\infty$	$\infty$
3	(4, E), (6, D), (8, F)	0	2, C	1, A	6, B	<b>4, B</b>	8, C	$\infty$	$\infty$
4	(6, D), (6, G), (7, F)	0	2, C	1, A	<b>6, B</b>	4, B	7, E	6, E	$\infty$
5	(6, G), (7, F)	0	2, C	1, A	6, B	4, B	7, E	<b>6, E</b>	$\infty$
6	(7, F), (8, H)	0	2, C	1, A	6, B	4, B	<b>7, E</b>	6, E	8, G
7	(8, H)	0	2, C	1, A	6, B	4, B	7, E	6, E	<b>8, G</b>

Order at which permanently labeled: A, C, B, E, D, G, F, H

Image of shortest path tree:



b.

Because of the negative edge weight between E and C, Dijkstra's algorithm will not give the correct shortest path tree.

Consider the shortest path given by Dijkstra's to C is 1. This path is from A to C. However, if we were to go from A to C (1) to B (1 + 1), to E (1 + 1 + 2), back to C (4 - 4), we would get a path length of 0, which is less.

**c. Bellman-ford algorithm**

Examine outgoing edges at each step

iteration	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
0	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
1	0	3 2	1	7	5	8	4 2 7	9
2	0	2	4 0	6	4	7	6	8
3	0	1	0	6	4	7	6	8
4	0	1	-1	5	3	7	5	7
5	0	0	-1	5	3	6	5	7
6	0	0	-2	4	2	5	4	6
7	0	-1	-2	4	2	5	4	6

There is a negative cycle because after  $|V| - 1$  iterations, there is another edge where  $d[u] + w < d[v]$ .

**Problem 2.**

**a.**

This algorithm finds the shortest path distance from  $s$  to all nodes.

For each node  $u$  (in topological order ie, parent before child), it goes through every child  $v$ , and if the distance from  $s$  to  $u$  + weight of edge  $(u,v)$  is less than the current distance  $s$  to  $v$ , it sets the distance from  $s$  to  $v$  to be  $s$  to  $u$  + weight of edge  $(u,v)$  (ie, it relaxes it).

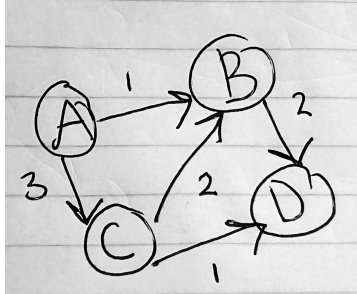
Because it is in topological order, children will only be visited after their parents, therefore, when it's checked if  $(s,u) + (u,v) < (s,v)$ ,  $(s,u)$  will already be the shortest possible distance because it would've already been relaxed if it could have been.

**b.**

$O(|E|)$  because you check each edge only once. Once you check the outgoing edges of a node, you move on to the children, and won't check that edge again.

**c.**

In the graph with vertices  $V = A, B, C, D$  and edges  $E = (A, B, 1), (A, C, 3), (C, B, 2), (C, D, 1), (B, D, 2)$



Both algorithms would first inspect A, and find the weights (B, 1) and (C, 3). However, Dijkstra's would explore B next because it is implemented with a minimum heap, while the prob 2 algorithm would explore C next because of the topological ordering.

Although the steps are different, they will still produce the same shortest distances

Dijkstra's:

it	Min heap	A	B	C	D
0	(A, 0)	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
1	(B, 1), (C, 3)	0	1	3	$\infty$
2	(C, 3), (D, 3)	0	1	3	3
3	(D, 3)	0	1	3	3
4	-	0	1	3	3

Problem 2 Algorithm:

Topological sort A C B D

Node being inspected (u)	A	B	C	D
-	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
A	0	1	3	$\infty$
C	0	1	3	4
B	0	1	3	3
D	0	1	3	3

**Problem 3.**

Create a new graph  $G_1$ .

Add every node from G to  $G_1$ .

For every edge  $(u, v, w)$  in  $G$

add an edge  $(u, v, 0)$  to  $G_1$  //ignoring original edge weight

add an edge  $(v, u, 1)$  to  $G_1$  //reverse edge with weight of 1

Then run dijkstra's to find the min path to vertex  $n$  on graph  $G_1$ .

The weight it returns will be the number of flips.