

CS3000: Algorithms & Data

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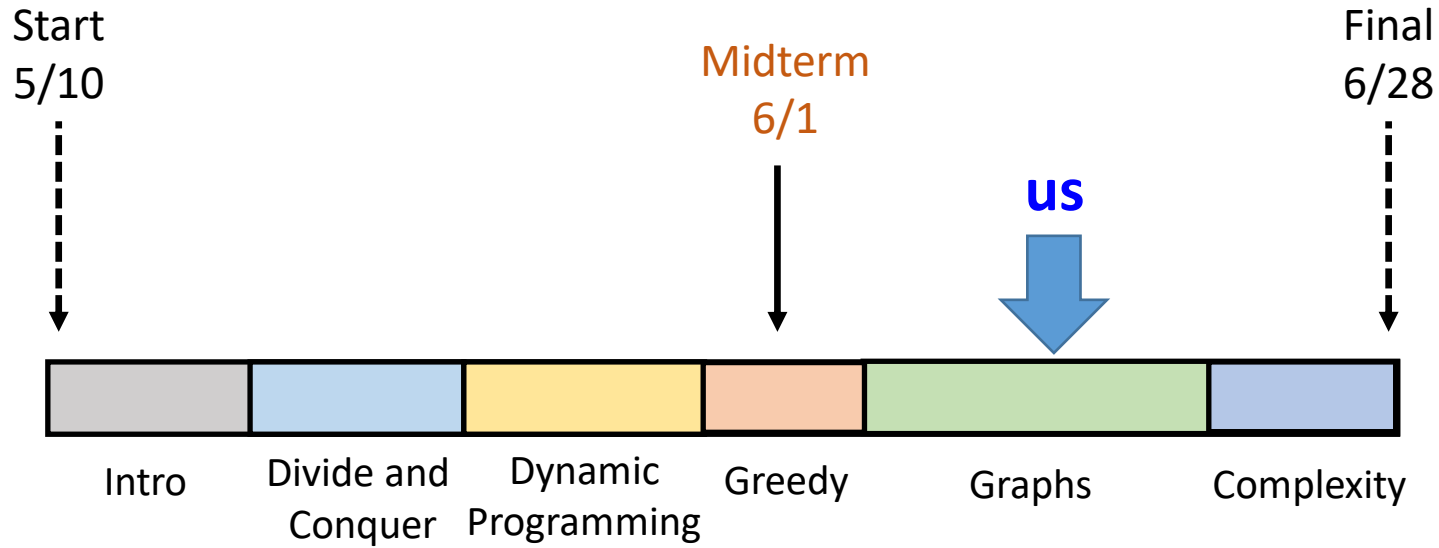
Lecture 19

- Bellman-Ford

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Outline



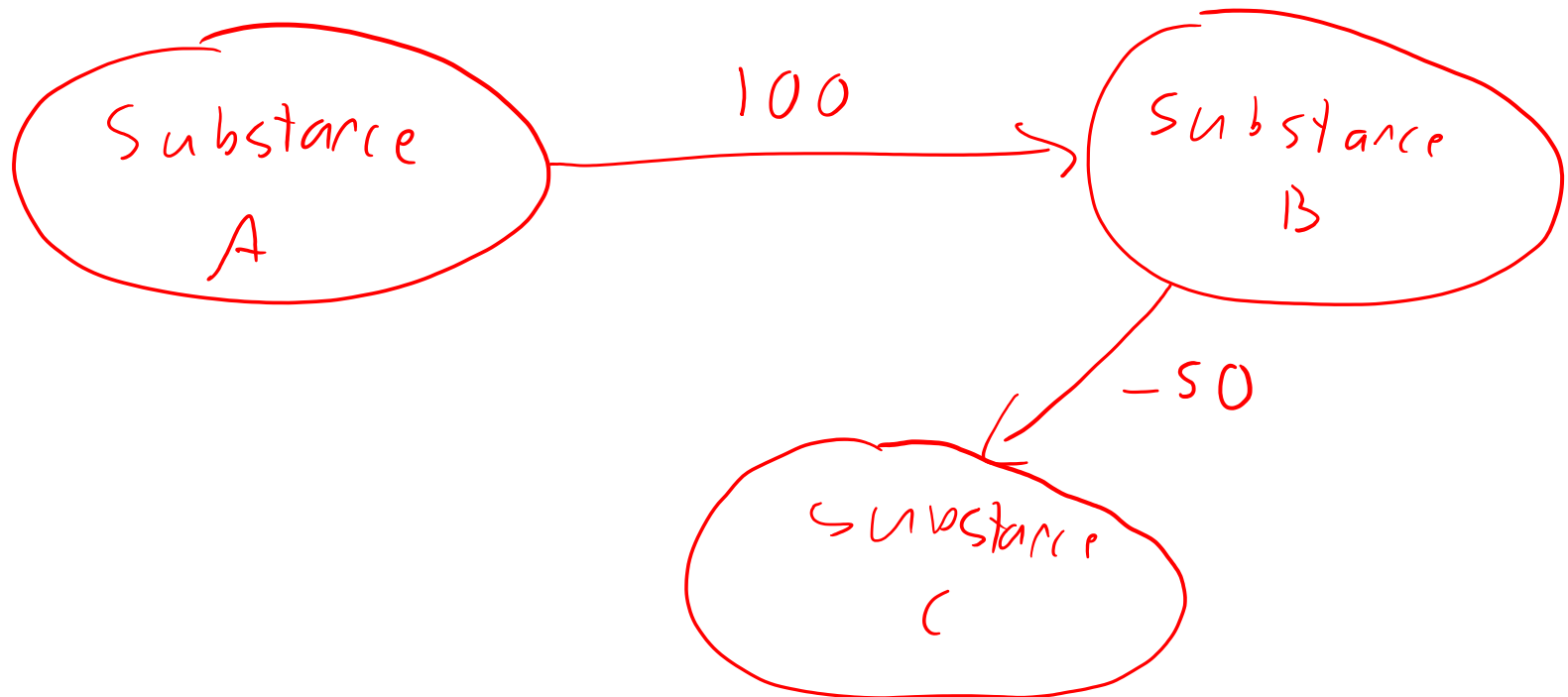
Last class: Graphs: Dijkstra's + Heaps

Next class: Graphs: Minimum Spanning Tree



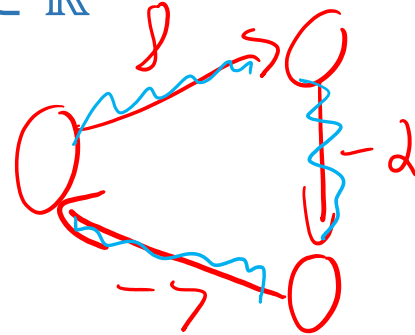
Why Care About Negative Edge Weights?

- Models various phenomena
 - Chemical reactions (can be exo- or endothermic)
 - Changes in level state (e.g. happiness)
 - ...



Bellman-Ford

- **Input:** Directed, weighted graph $G = (\underline{V}, \underline{E}, \underline{\{w_e\}})$, source node s
 - Possibly negative edge lengths $w_e \in \mathbb{R}$
 - No negative-length cycles!



- **Output:** Two arrays d, p
 - $d[u]$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
 - $p[u]$ is the final hop on shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path

\uparrow
Parent of u



- Problems: counting students, stable matching, sorting, n-digit multiplication, array searching, selection, weighted interval scheduling, segmented least squares, knapsack, prefix-free encoding, graph exploration, bipartiteness, topological sorting, (strongly) connected components, **shortest paths**
- Alg. techniques: divide & conquer, dynamic programming, greedy, Dijkstra's
- Analysis: asymptotic analysis, recursion trees, Master Thm., Graph Terminology/representations
- Proof techniques: (strong) induction, contradiction, greedy stays ahead, exchange argument



Structure of Shortest Paths

- If $(u, v) \in E$, then $d(s, v) \leq d(s, u) + w(u, v)$ for every node $s \in V$

"Shortest s - v path is not longer than the shortest s - u path + (u, v) "

- If $(u, v) \in E$, and $d(s, v) = d(s, u) + w(u, v)$ then there is a shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ -path ending with (u, v)

if bound from above is tight, then
then there is a ^{shorter} s - v path s.t. $P[v] = u$

- For every v , there exists an edge $(u, v) \in E$ such that $d(s, v) = d(s, u) + w(u, v)$

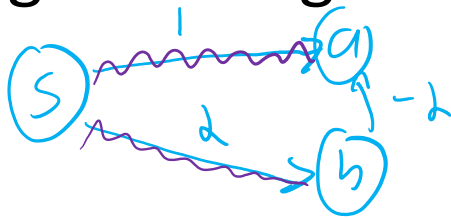


"there is some final edge"



Ask the Audience

- Show that Dijkstra's Algorithm can fail in graphs with negative edge lengths (even without negative length cycles)

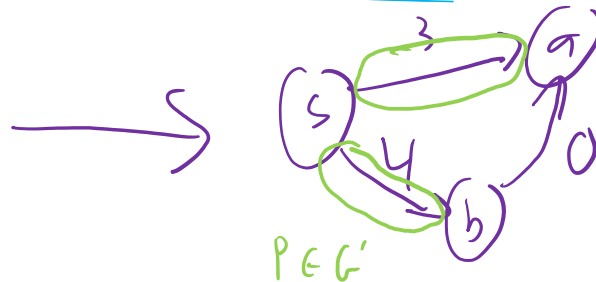
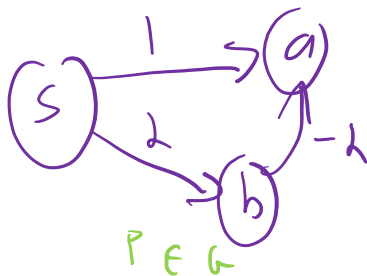


$$d(s, a) = 0 < 1$$

s	a	b
0	∞	∞
1	1	2

↑ given by Dijkstra's

- Why won't the following work?
 - Take a graph $G = (V, E, \{w(e)\})$ with negative lengths
 - Add $|\min w(e)|$ to all lengths to make them non-negative
 - Run Dijkstra's on the new graph



distance increases
based on # of edges

$$\begin{aligned}
 (s) \rightarrow (b) \rightarrow (a) \\
 \text{len in } G &= 0 \\
 \text{len in } G' &= 4 \\
 &= 0 + 2 \cdot (\# \text{ of edges})
 \end{aligned}$$

Dynamic Programming

- **Subproblems:** Let $\text{OPT}(v)$ be the length of the shortest path from s to v
- For every v , the shortest path makes some final hop (u, v) "last edge"
 $\rightarrow u \in \text{IN}[v]$

- Case u : the final hop is (u, v)
 - $\text{OPT}(v) = \text{OPT}(u) + w(u, v)$

- Recurrence:

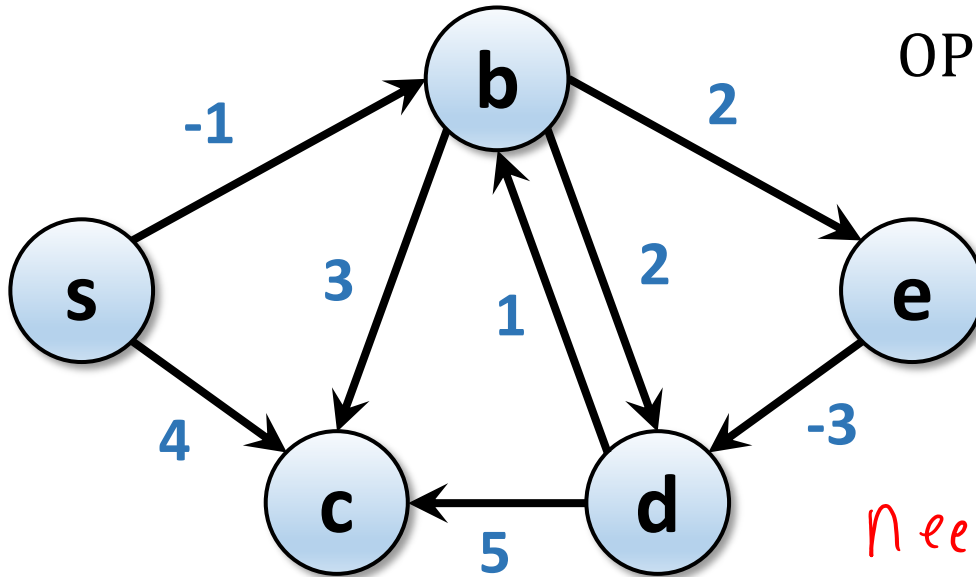
$$\text{OPT}(v) = \min_{u \in \text{IN}[v]} \left(\text{OPT}(u) + w(u, v) \right)$$

$$\text{OPT}(s) = 0$$



Bottom-Up Implementation?

$$\text{OPT}(v) = \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u) + w_{u,v} \}$$



Problem! in which
need an order to fill
the DP table!

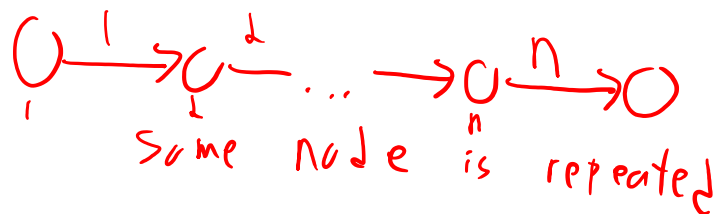
v	s	b	c	d	e
OPT(v)	0				



Dynamic Programming Take II

- **Subproblems:** Let $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ be the length of the shortest path from s to v with at most j hops ($0 \leq j \leq n - 1$)
"edges"

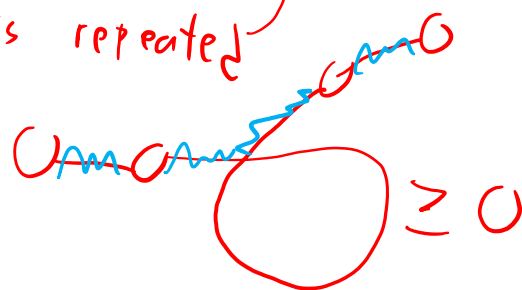
Why $j \leq n - 1$?



Any path w/ $\geq n$ edges has a cycle

→ if (-) no solution

→ if (≥ 0) cycle is useless



∴ shortest $s-v$ path uses $\leq n-1$ hops



Recurrence

- **Subproblems:** $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops
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- **Recurrence:**

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left(\text{OPT}(v, j-1), \min_{u \in \text{IN}[v]} \left(\text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w(u, v) \right) \right)$$



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$$\text{OPT}(\underline{s}, 0) = \underline{0}$$

$$\text{OPT}(\underline{v}, 0) = \underline{\infty} \text{ for every } v \neq s$$



Finding the paths

- $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops
- $\underline{P(v, j)}$ is the last hop on some shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops

Recurrence:

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \underline{\text{OPT}(v, j-1)}, \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$

Finding $P(v, j)$:

If $\text{OPT}(v, j) == \text{OPT}(v, j-1)$
 $\rightarrow P(v, j) = P(v, j-1)$

If $\text{OPT}(v, j) == \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w(u, v)$
 $\rightarrow P(v, j) = u$



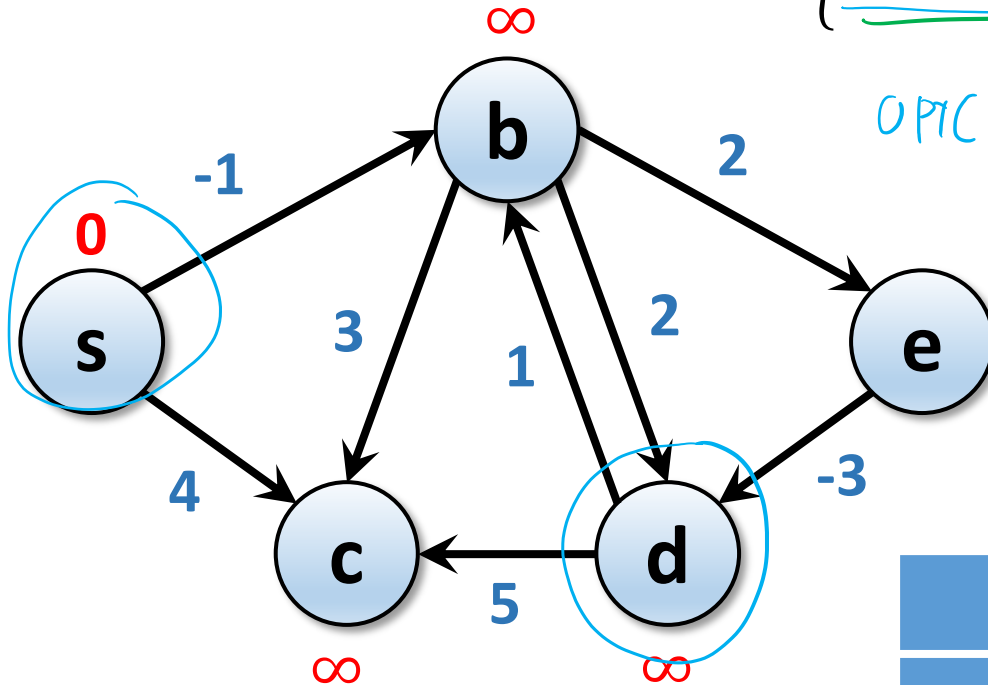
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Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j-1), \min_{\substack{(u,v) \in E \\ u \in \mathcal{N}[v]}} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{OPT}(b, 1) &= \min(\text{OPT}(b, 0), \\ &\quad \min(\text{OPT}(s, 0) + w(s, b), \\ &\quad \text{OPT}(d, 0) + w(d, b))) \\ &= \min(\infty, \min(-1, \infty)) = -1 \end{aligned}$$



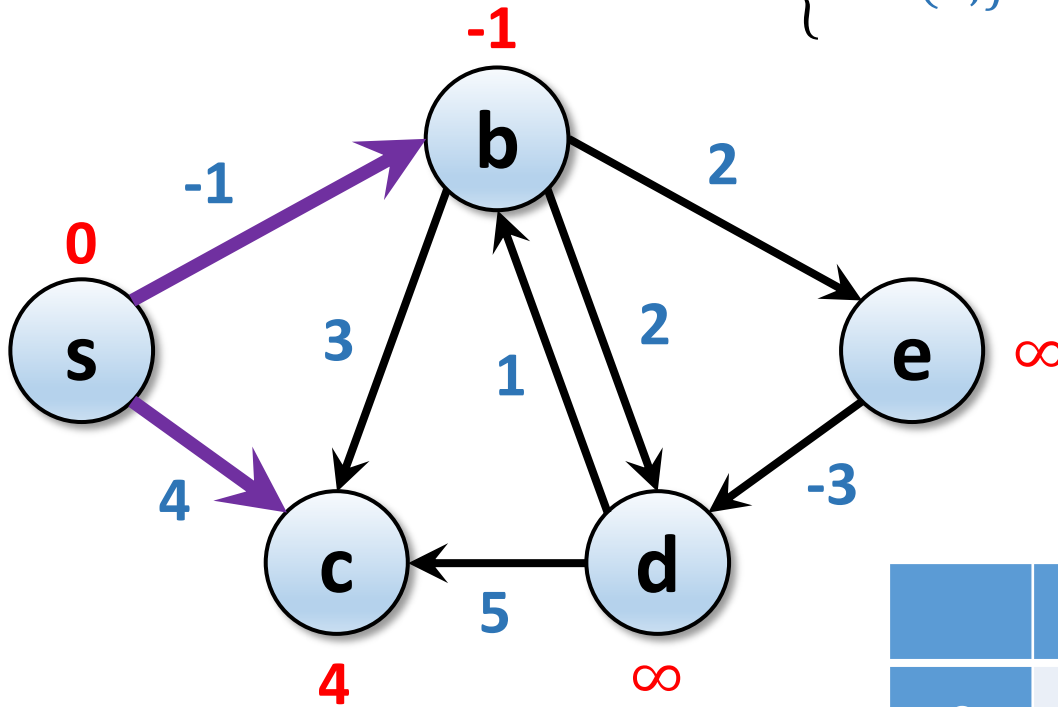
$$\begin{aligned} \text{OPT}(c, 1) &= \min(\text{OPT}(c, 0), \\ &\quad \min(\text{OPT}(s, 0) + w(s, c), \\ &\quad \text{OPT}(b, 0) + w(b, c), \\ &\quad \text{OPT}(d, 0) + w(d, c))) \\ &= \min(\infty, \min(4, \infty, \infty)) = 4 \end{aligned}$$

	j				
	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0			
b	∞	-1			
c	∞	4			
d	∞	∞			
e	∞	∞			



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j-1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



v



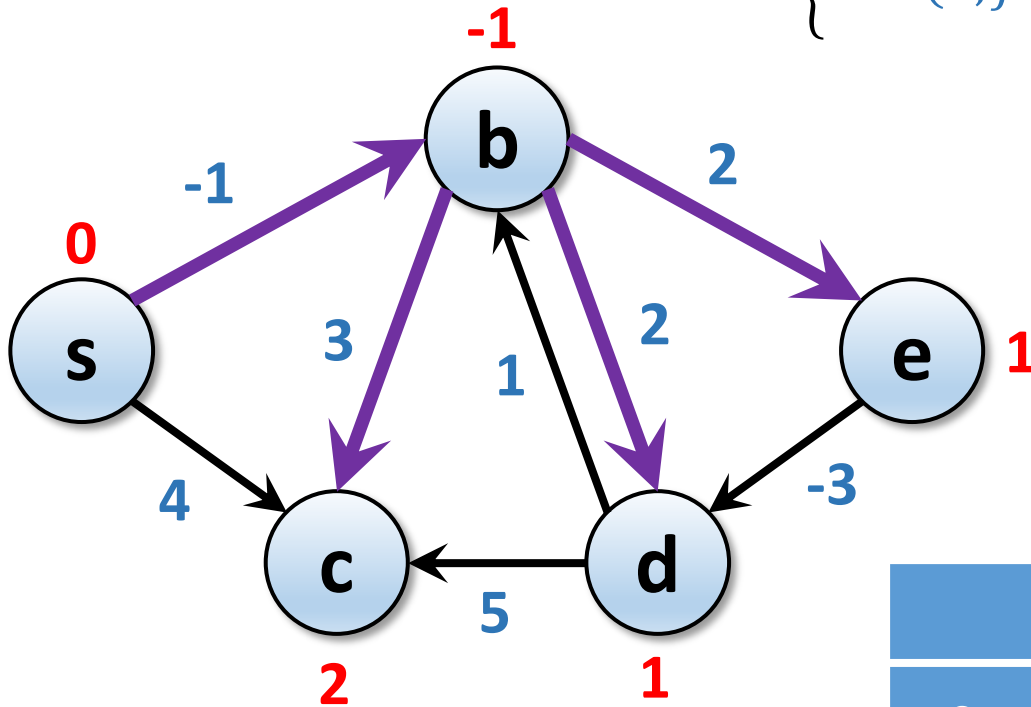
j

	j				
	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0	0		
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c	∞	4	2		
d	∞	∞	1		
e	∞	∞	1		



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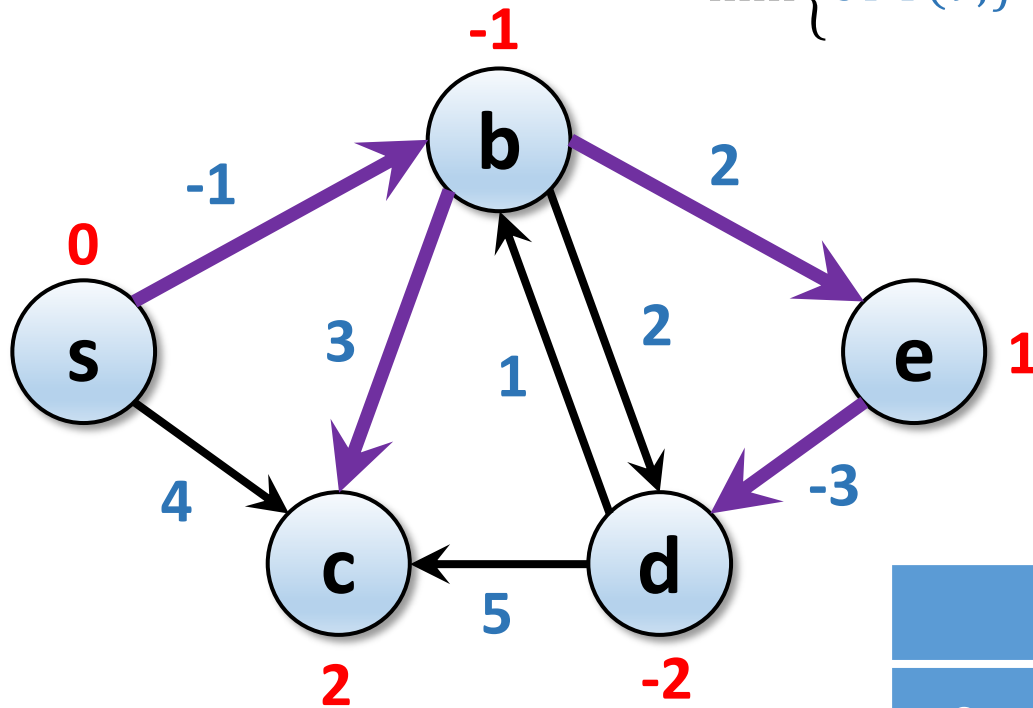
j ↓

	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0	0	0	
b	∞	-1	-1	-1	
c	∞	4	2	2	
d	∞	∞	1	-2	
e	∞	∞	1	1	



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v

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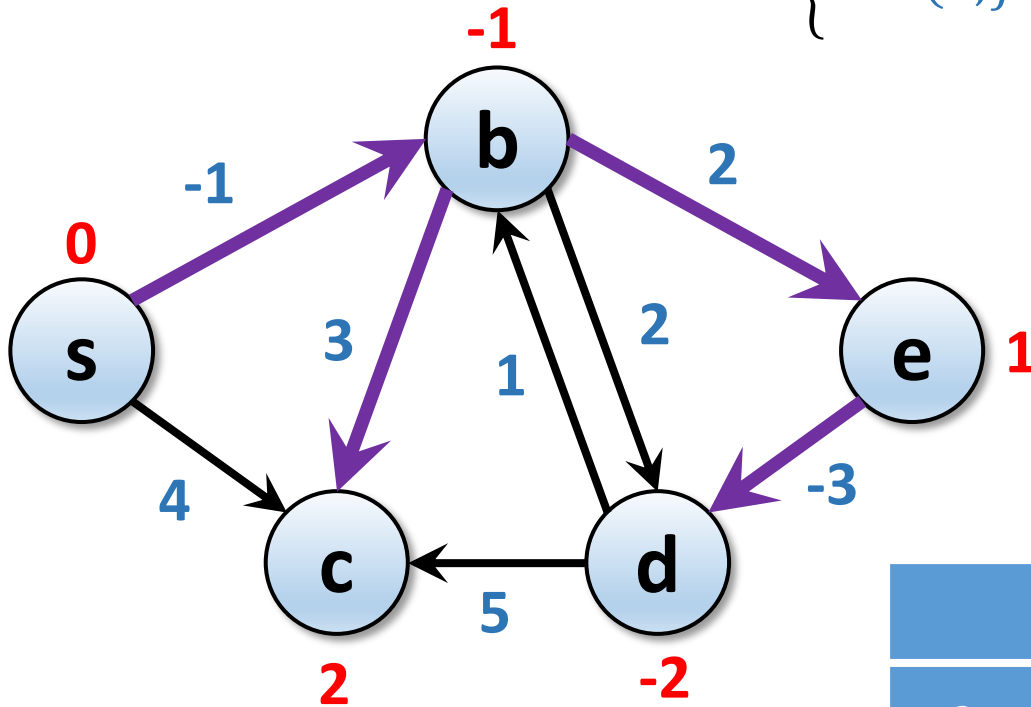
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d	∞	∞	1	-2	-2
e	∞	∞	1	1	1

nothing
changed



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j-1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



v

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Implementation (Bottom Up)

Shortest-Path(G, s)

foreach node $v \in V$

$D[v, 0] \leftarrow \infty$

$P[v, 0] \leftarrow \perp$

$D[s, 0] \leftarrow 0$

$O(n)$

one column @ a time

for $j = 1$ to $n-1$

foreach node $v \in V$

$D[v, j] \leftarrow D[v, j-1]$

$P[v, j] \leftarrow P[v, j-1]$

per value of j : $O(n)$

total: $O(n^2)$

foreach ~~edge~~ ^{node} $u \in \text{IN}[v]$

if ($D[u, j-1] + w_{uv} < D[v, j]$)

$D[v, j] \leftarrow D[u, j-1] + w_{uv}$

$P[v, j] \leftarrow u$

per value of v : $O(\text{in-deg}(v))$

per value of j : $O(m)$

total: $O(nm)$

Time: $O(n^2 + nm)$

Space: $O(n^2) \leftarrow n \times (n-1)$



Optimizations

- One array $d[v]$ containing shortest path found so far
 - Once you have $OPT(v, j)$, don't care about $OPT(v, j-1)$
- No need to check edge (u, v) unless $d[u]$ has changed
- Stop if no $d[v]$ has changed for a full pass through V

• **Time:** $O(nm + n^2)$ (better in practice)

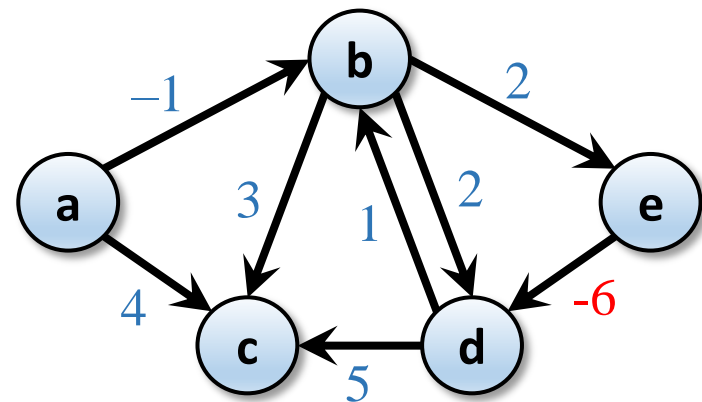
• **Space:** $O(n)$ (+ storing the graph)



Negative Cycle Detection

- **Algorithm:**

- Pick a node $s \in V$
- Run Bellman-Ford for n iterations
- Check if $OPT(v, n) < OPT(v, n - 1)$ for some $v \in V$
 - If no, then there are no negative cycles
 - If yes, the shortest $s - v$ path contains a negative cycle



Optimized Implementation w/ Negative Cycle Detection

```
Efficient-Shortest-Path( $G, s$ )  
  foreach node  $v \in V$   
     $D[v] \leftarrow \infty$   
     $P[v] \leftarrow \perp$   
   $D[s] \leftarrow 0$   
  
  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$   
    foreach node  $v \in V$   
      foreach  $u \in IN[v]$  where  $D[u]$  changed  
        during last iteration  
        if ( $D[u] + w_{uv} < D[v]$ )  
           $D[v] \leftarrow D[u] + w_{uv}$   
           $P[v] \leftarrow u$   
    if (no  $D[u]$  changed): return ( $D, P$ )
```



Shortest Paths Summary

- **Input:** Directed, weighted graph $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$, source node s
- **Output:** Two arrays d, p
 - $d[u]$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
 - $p[u]$ is the final hop on shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
- **Non-negative lengths:** Dijkstra's Algorithm solves in $O(m \log n)$ time
- **Negative lengths:** Bellman-Ford solves in $O(nm)$ time, or finds a negative cycle

