

Introduction to Algorithms

CS 430

Lecture 23-24

Outlines

- Shortest path
 - Preliminaries
 - Bellman-Ford algorithm
 - Dijkstra's algorithm
 - All pairs shortest paths

Shortest Paths*

How to find the shortest route between two points on a map.

Input:

- Directed graph $G = (V, E)$
- Weight function $w : E \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$

Weight of path $p = \langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k w(v_{i-1}, v_i)$$

= sum of edge weights on path p .

Shortest-path weight u to v :

$$\delta(u, v) = \begin{cases} \min \{ w(p) : u \stackrel{p}{\rightsquigarrow} v \} & \text{if there exists a path } u \rightsquigarrow v , \\ \infty & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

Shortest path u to v is any path p such that $w(p) = \delta(u, v)$.

Variants*

- **Single-source:** Find shortest paths from a given **source** vertex $s \in V$ to every vertex $v \in V$.
- **Single-destination:** Find shortest paths to a given destination vertex.
- **Single-pair:** Find shortest path from u to v . No way known that's better in worst case than solving single-source.
- **All-pairs:** Find shortest path from u to v for all $u, v \in V$.

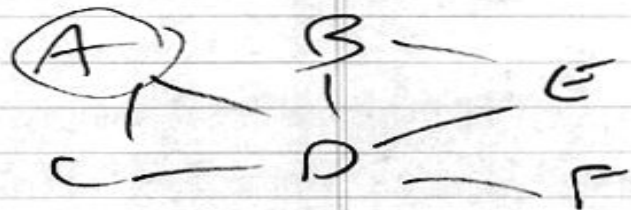
Negative-weight edges*

OK, as long as no negative-weight cycles are reachable from the source.

- If we have a negative-weight cycle, just keep going around it, and get $w(s, v) = -\infty$ for all v on the cycle.
- But OK if the negative-weight cycle is not reachable from the source.
- Some algorithms work only if there are no negative-weight edges in the graph.

BRUTE FORCE

TRY ALL POSSIBILITIES
FOR PARTS, PICK STRONGEST.



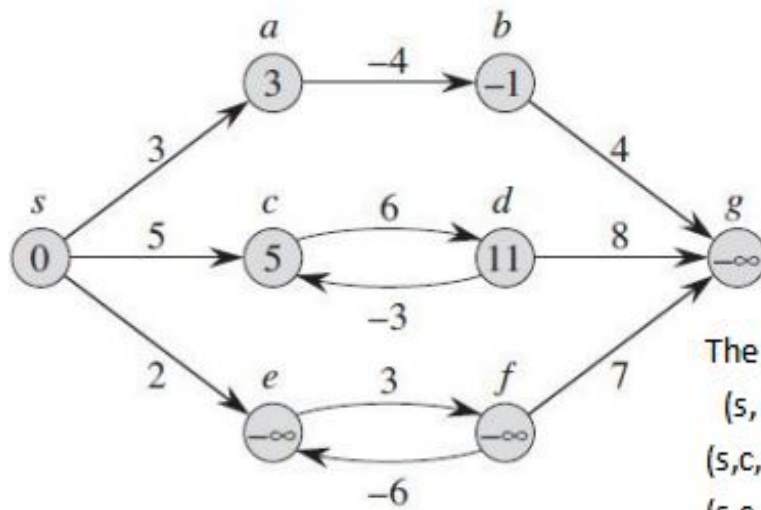
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The path from s to c:

(s, c)

(s, c, d, c)

(s, c, d, c, d, c, d, c, ...) and each of the loop of cdc contributes 3 to the weight.

Then (s, c) is the shortest path from s to c.

The path from s to e:

(s, e)

(s, e, f, e)

(s, e, f, e, f, e, f, e, ...) and each of the loop of efe contributes -3 to the weight.

Then (s, e, f, e, ...) is the shortest path from s to e.

The path from s to g:

(s, a, b, g)

(s, c, d, g)

(s, c, d, c, d, ..., g)

(s, e, f, g)

(s, e, f, e, f, e, f, e, ...).

Can a shortest path contain a cycle?--NO!

- ◆ When it contains a negative cycle: suppose there is a shortest path (s,d) containing a negative cycle and $w(p)=105$. If $w(\text{cycle})=-10$, then $w(p')=95 < \text{the weight of the shortest path } 105$. Then p is not the shortest path.
- ◆ When it contains a positive cycle: suppose there is a shortest path $p = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k)$ containing a positive cycle and the cycle $c = (v_i, v_{i+1}, \dots, v_j)$ and $i=j$. $w(c) > 0$. $p' = (v_0, v_1, \dots, v_i, v_{j+1}, v_{j+2}, \dots, v_k)$ is the remaining path after c has been deleted from p . $w(p') = w(p) - w(c) < w(p)$. It shows that p' is the shorter path than p and p is not the shortest path.
- ◆ When it contains a Zero weight cycle: when $w(c)=0$, $w(p') = w(p) - w(c) = w(p)$. It shows that if we remove all the zero weight cycles, the weight remains the same. The shortest path does not contain a zero weight cycle.

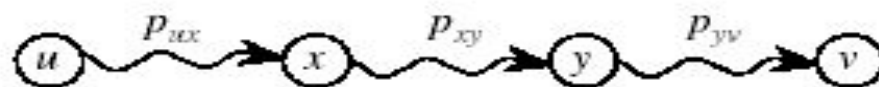
We can assume that when we are seeking for a shortest paths, they do NOT have cycles and they are simple paths.

Optimal substructure *

Lemma

Any subpath of a shortest path is a shortest path.

Proof Cut-and-paste.



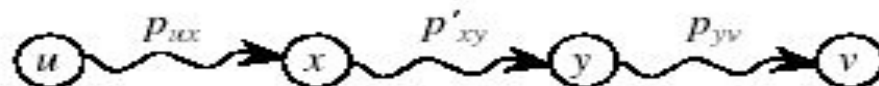
Suppose this path p is a shortest path from u to v .

Then $\delta(u, v) = w(p) = w(p_{ux}) + w(p_{xy}) + w(p_{yv})$.

Now suppose there exists a shorter path $x \xrightarrow{p'_{xy}} y$.

Then $w(p'_{xy}) < w(p_{xy})$.

Construct p' :



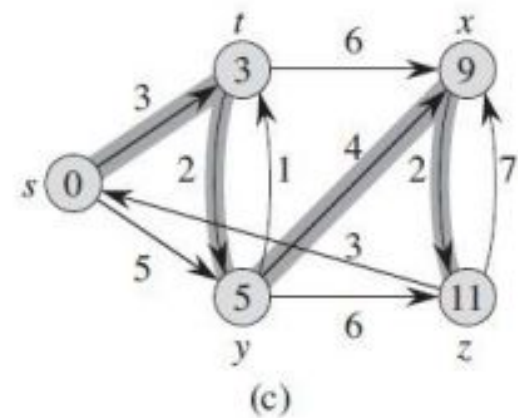
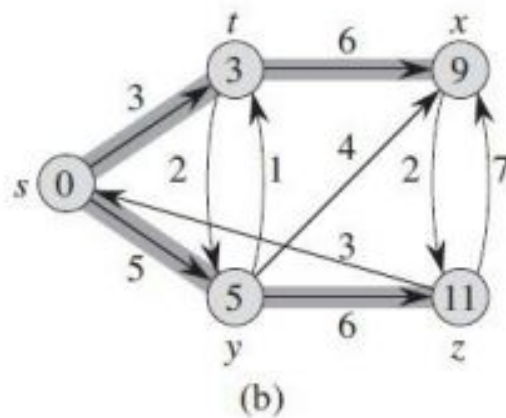
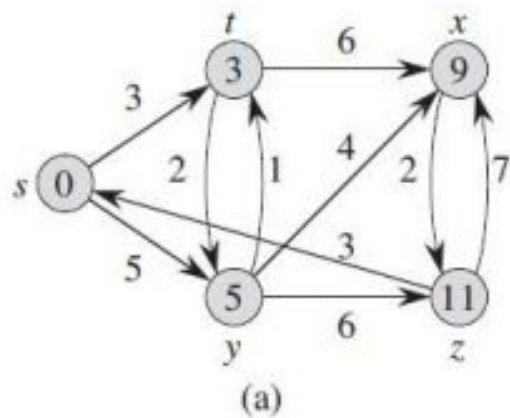
Output of single-source shortest-path algorithm

For each vertex $v \in V$:

$d[v] = \delta(s, v)$, Initially, $d[v] = \infty$, Reduces as algorithms progress. But always maintain $d[v] \geq \delta(s, v)$. Call $d[v]$ a ***shortest-path estimate***.

$\pi[v]$ = predecessor of v on a shortest path from s , If no predecessor, $\pi[v] = \text{NIL}$, π induces a tree—***shortest-path tree***

The algorithms differ in the order and how many times they relax each edge.



A shortest path tree rooted at s is a directed subgraph $G'=(V',E')$ where $V' \subseteq V$ and $E' \subseteq E$ such that:

- ◆ V' is the set of vertices reachable from s in G ;
- ◆ G' forms the rooted tree with root s ;
- ◆ For all $v \in V'$, the unique simple path from s to v in G' is the shortest path from s to v in G .

Initialization

All the shortest-paths algorithms start with INIT-SINGLE-SOURCE.

INIT-SINGLE-SOURCE(V, s)

for each $v \in V$

$d[v] \leftarrow \infty$

$\pi[v] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$

$d[s] \leftarrow 0$

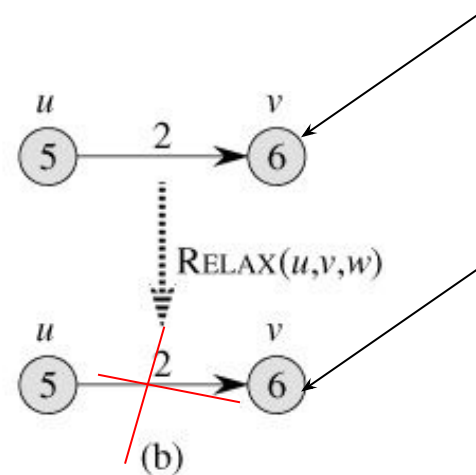
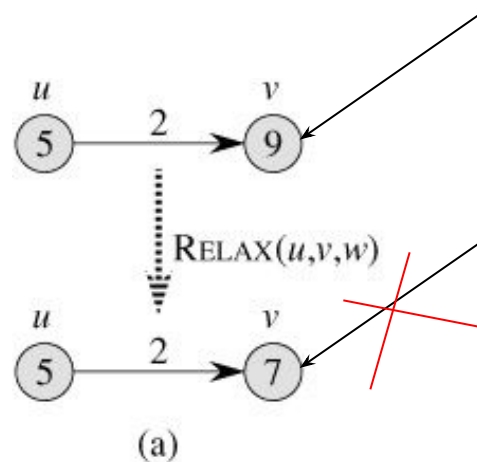
Relaxing an edge (u, v) - Can we improve the shortest-path estimate (best seen so far) for v by going through u and taking (u, v) ?

RELAX (u, v, w)

if $d[u] + w(u, v) \leq d[v]$

then $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$

$\pi[v] \leftarrow u$



The Bellman-Ford algorithm

- Allows negative-weight edges.
- Computes $d[v]$ and $\pi[v]$ for all $v \in V$.
- Returns TRUE if no negative-weight cycles reachable from s , FALSE otherwise.

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BELLMAN-FORD( $V, E, w, s$ )
INIT-SINGLE-SOURCE( $V, s$ )
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $|V|-1$ 
    for each edge  $(u, v) \in E$  // all edges, in any order
        RELAX( $u, v, w$ )

for each edge  $(u, v) \in E$ 
    if  $d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$ 
        then return FALSE

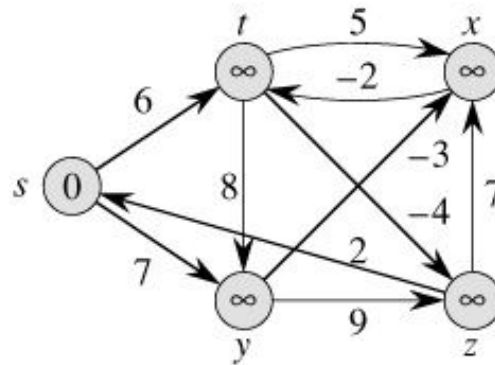
return TRUE

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The first **for** loop relaxes all edges $|V|-1$ times.

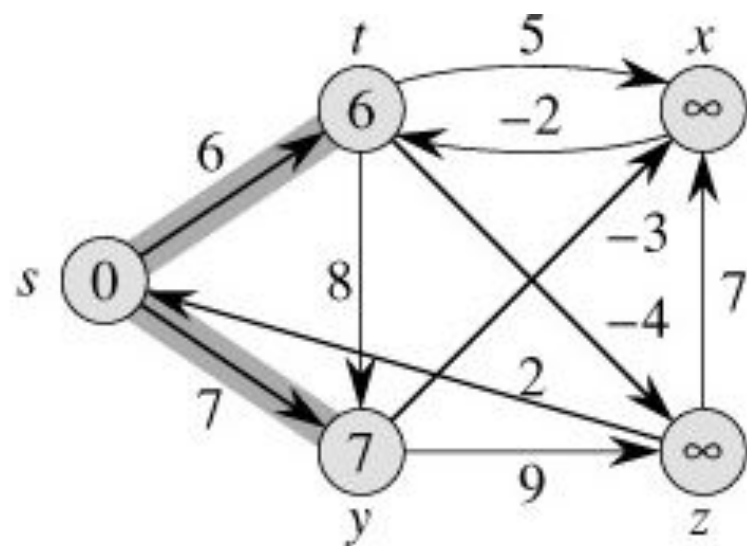
$$O(VE+E)=O(VE)$$

$$= O(V^3)$$

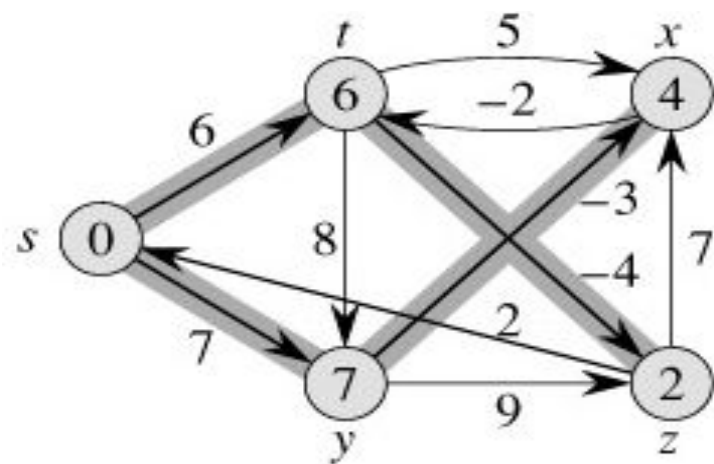


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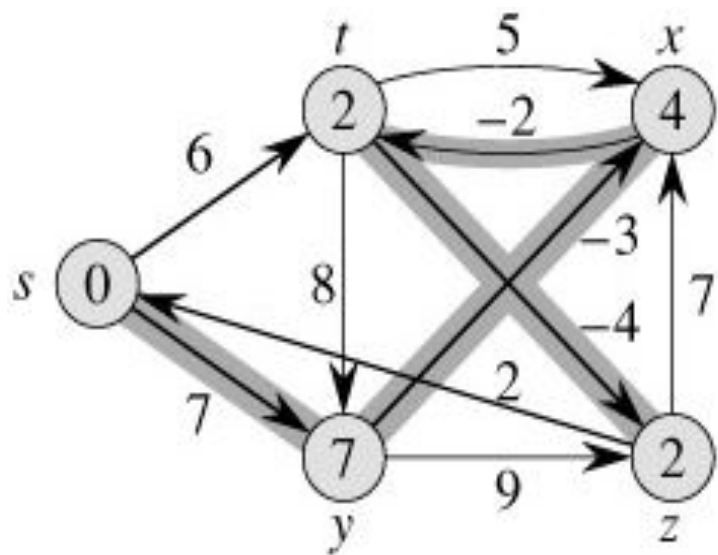
The execution of the Bellman-Ford algorithm. The source is vertex s . The d values are shown within the vertices, and shaded edges indicate predecessor values: if edge (u, v) is shaded, then $\pi[v] = u$. In this particular example, each pass relaxes the edges in the order (t, x) , (t, y) , (t, z) , (y, x) , (y, z) , (x, t) , (z, x) , (z, s) , (s, t) , (s, y) . (a) The situation just before the first pass over the edges. (b)-(e) The situation after each successive pass over the edges.



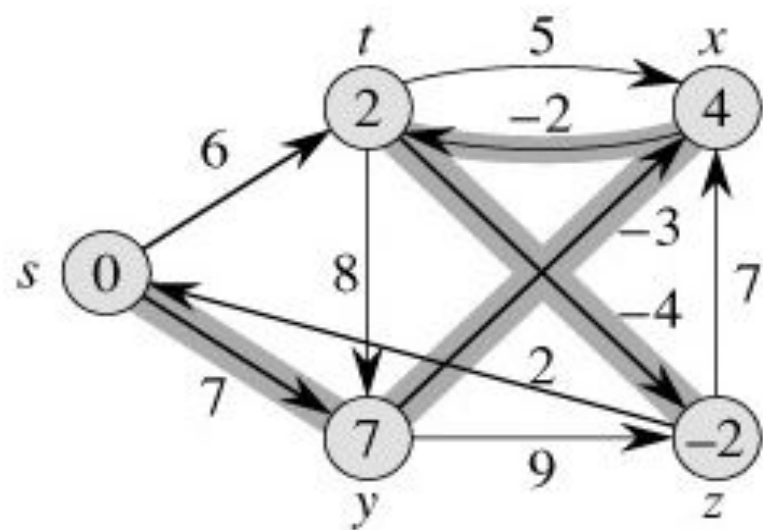
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(c)



(d)



(e)

Review -1

- Term Explanation
 - DAG
 - Topological Sort
 - Shortest Path
- Does a shortest path have a cycle? Why?
- True or false: any subpath of a shortest path is a shortest path.

Review -2

- When looking for the shortest path, why RELAX?
- Options: What is Bellman-Ford designed for and what does it return?
 - A. for single source single destination shortest path and returns false if there is no negative cycle
 - B. for single source multiple destination shortest paths and returns false if there is no negative cycle
 - C. for single source single destination shortest path and returns True if there is no negative cycle
 - D. for single source multiple destination shortest paths and returns True if there is no negative cycle

Dijkstra's algorithm

No negative-weight *edges*.

Essentially a weighted version of breadth-first search.

- Instead of a FIFO queue, uses a priority queue.
- Keys are shortest-path weight estimates ($d[v]$).

Have two sets of vertices:

- S = vertices whose final shortest-path weights are determined,
- Q = priority queue = $V - S$.

DIJKSTRA(V, E, w, s)

INIT-SINGLE-SOURCE(V, s)

$S \leftarrow$ empty set

$Q \leftarrow V$ // i.e., insert all vertices into Q by “ d ” values

while Q not empty

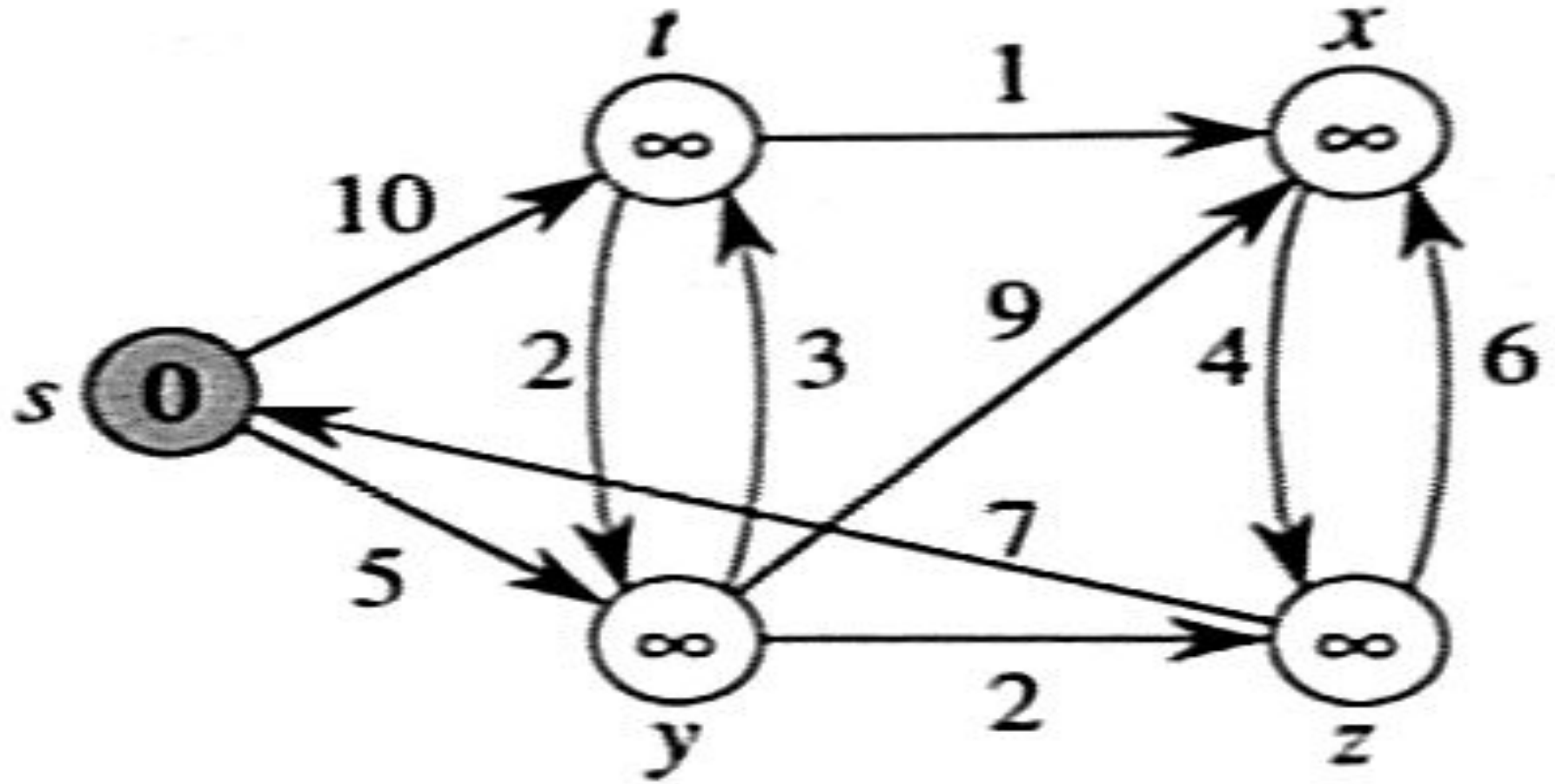
$u \leftarrow$ EXTRACT-MIN(Q)

$S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$

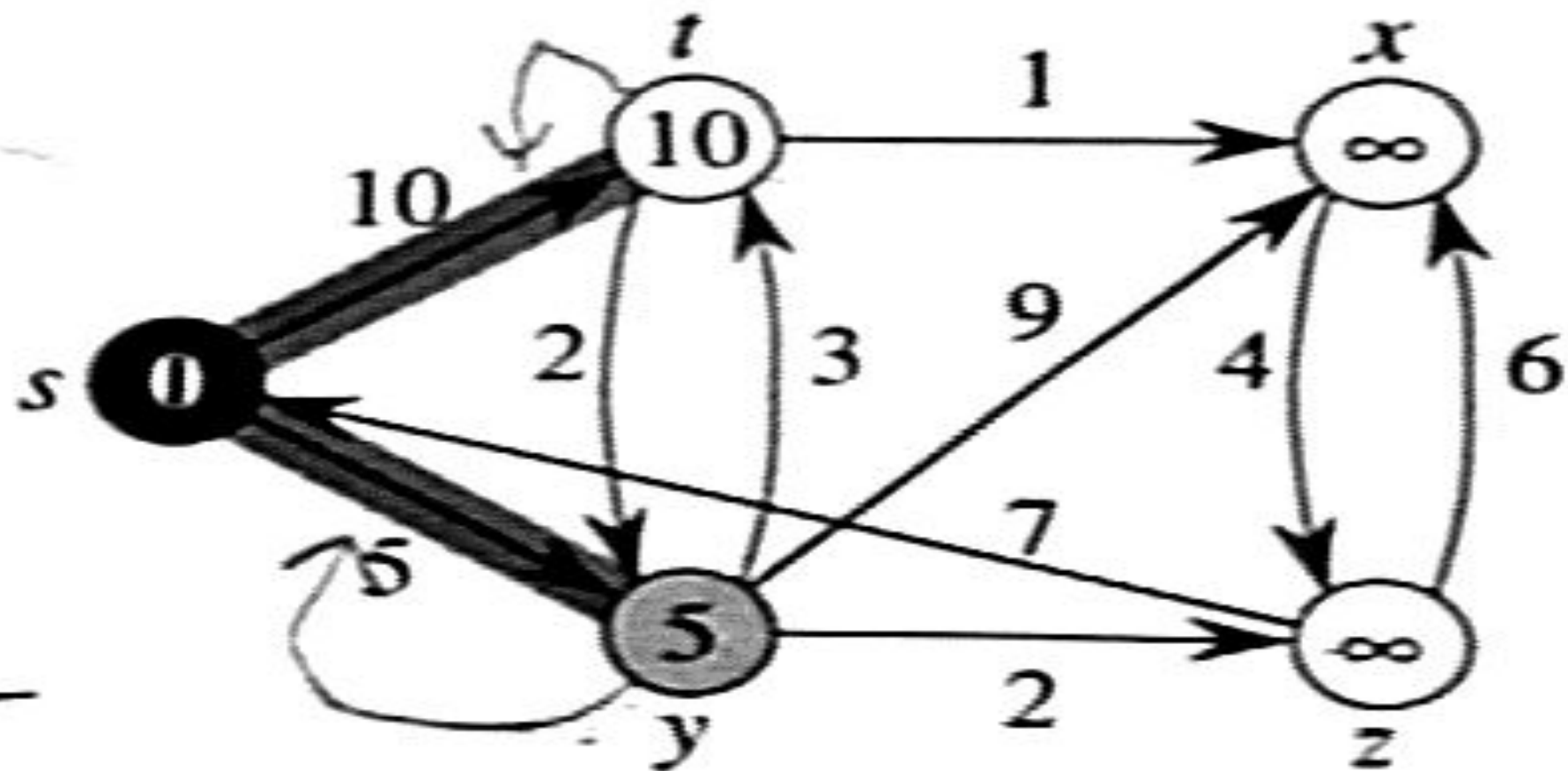
for each vertex $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$

 RELAX(u, v, w)

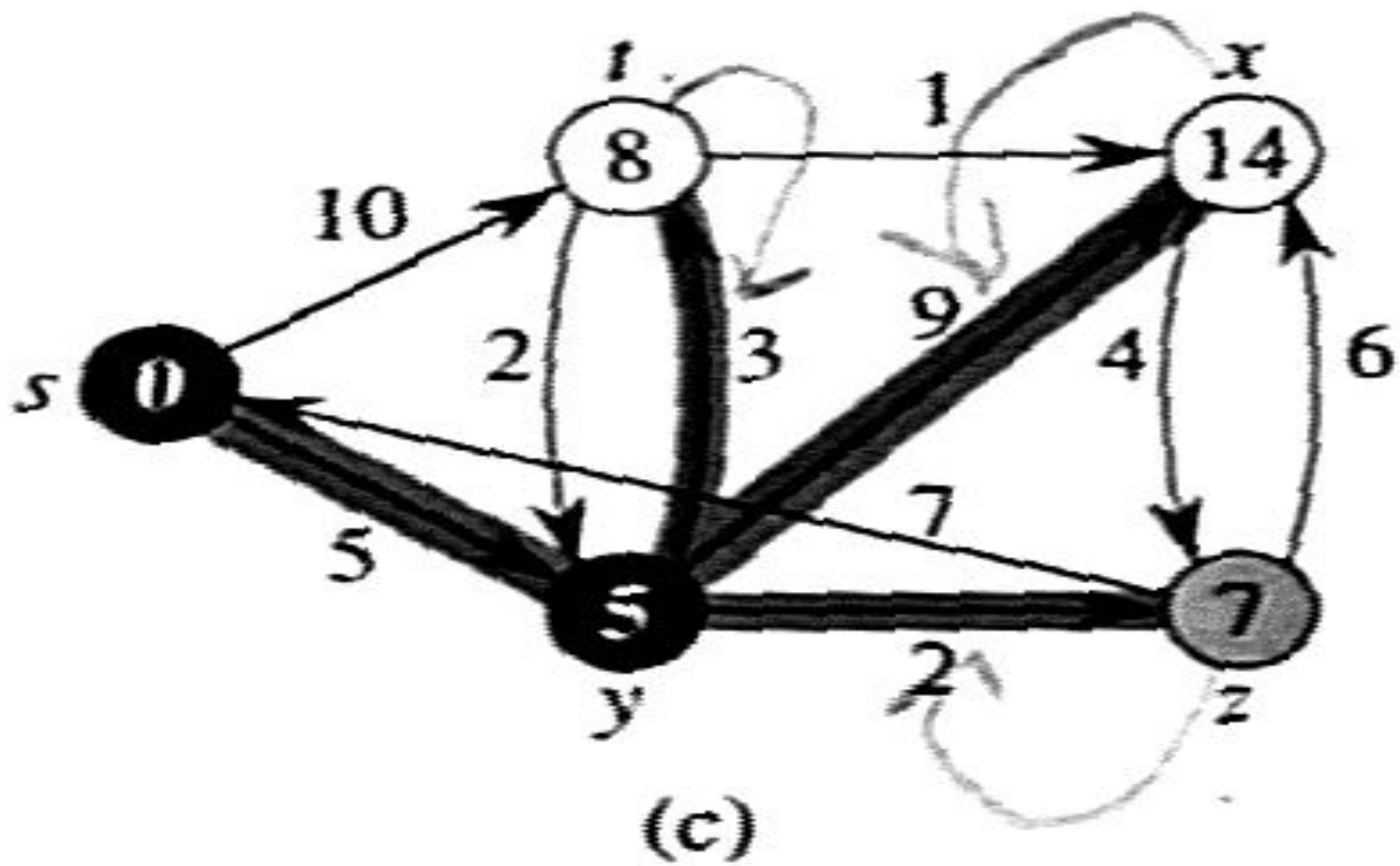
Dijkstra’s algorithm can be viewed as greedy, since it always chooses the “lightest” (“closest”?) vertex in $V - S$ to add to S .

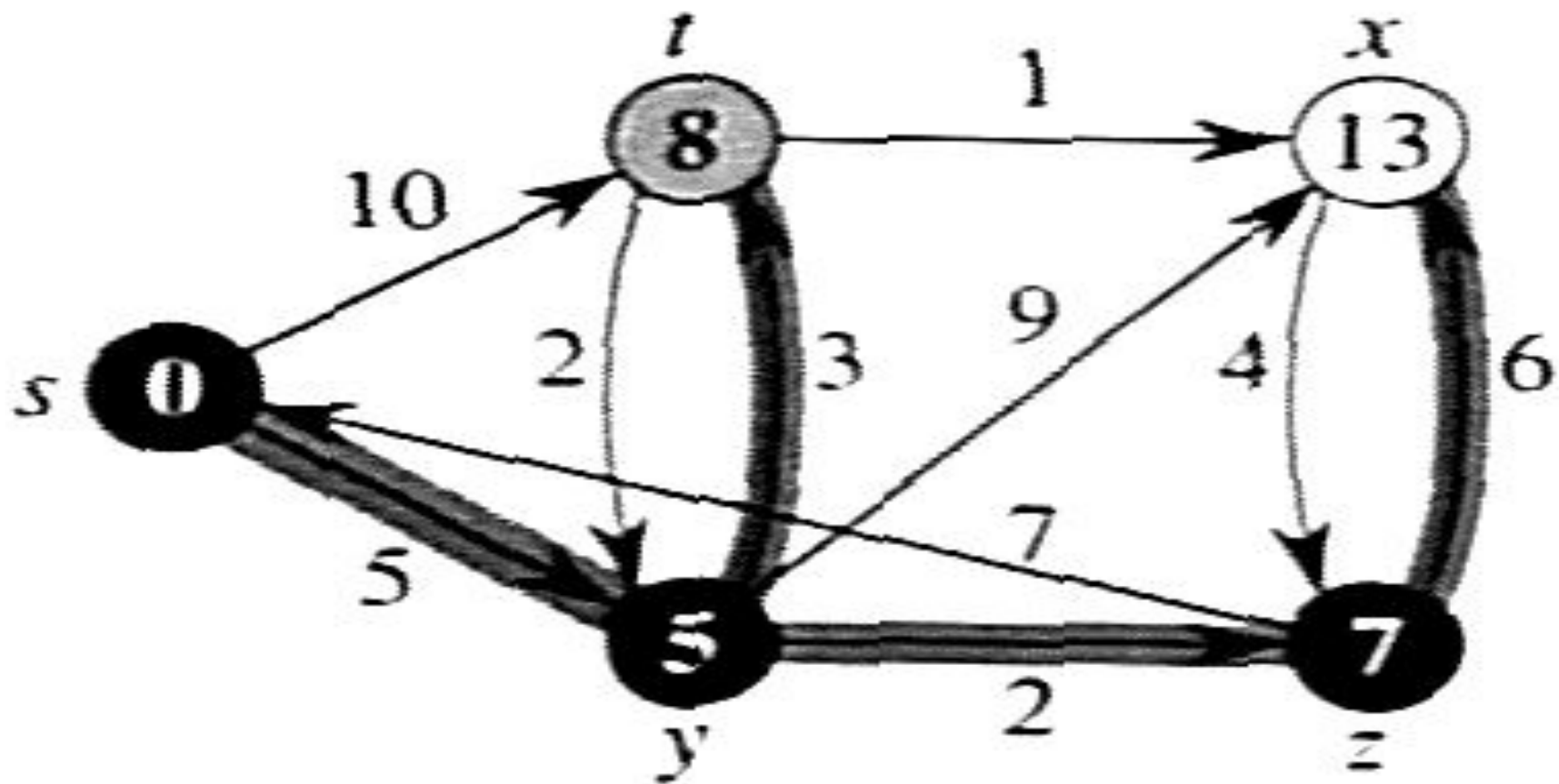


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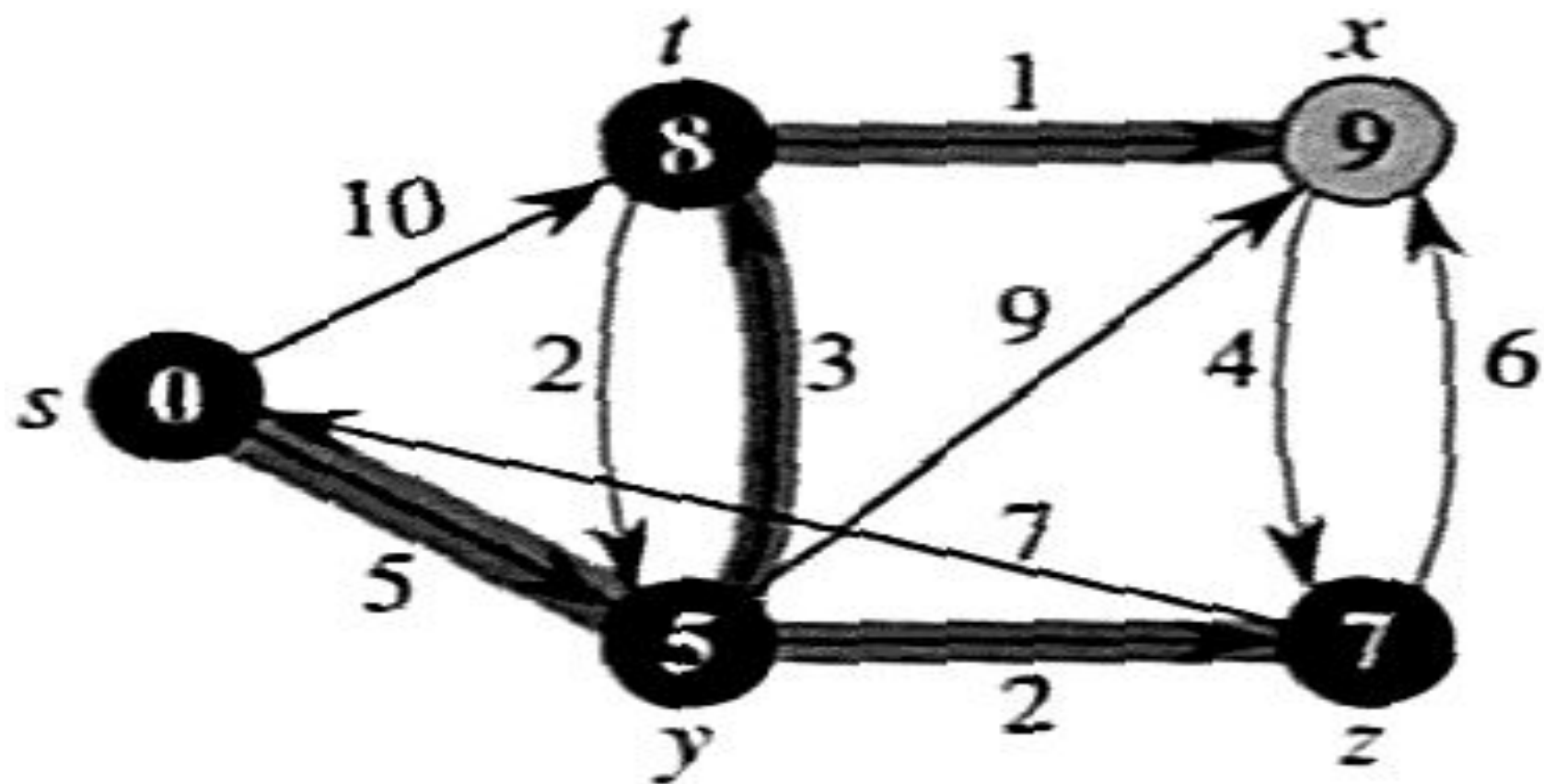


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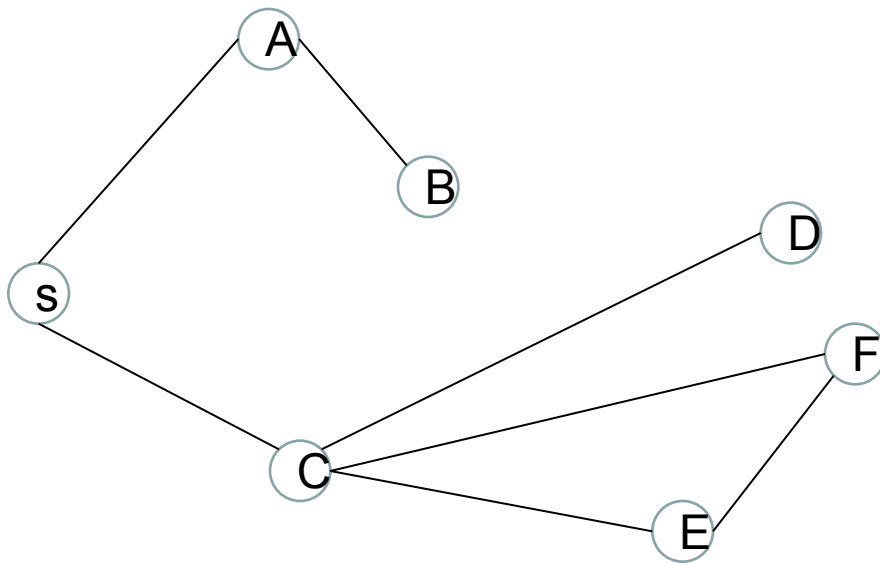
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(e)

Prove Greedy Choice for Dijkstra

- Greedy Choice – pick the vertex with the smallest shortest path estimate (not including the vertices we are done with)
- Assume we have a solution: we know the shortest path from s to every other vertex. “ S ” is the set of edges in the solution. If S does not contain the greedy choice at the last step, we can remove the non-greedy last edge added to S and add the greedy choice to S and get just as good a solution.



$G=(V, E)$;
 s is the source;
 Assume we have S as the shortest
 paths from s to any other vertices;
 W_{sv} is the weight of edge (s, v) ;
 \overline{uv} is the weight of (u,v) .

Suppose that Greedy choice at some previous step was
 not chosen and it results in $s-c-e-f$ as a shortest path in S .
 We replace this non-greedy choice by a greedy choice at
 vertex c , which is $c-f$, then we have:

$$W_c + \overline{CF} < W_c + \overline{CE} + \overline{EF}$$

It is a contradiction with the fact that all
 paths in S are shortest path.

Analysis: It depends on implementation of priority queue.

If binary heap, each operation takes $O(\lg V)$ time, overall $O(E \lg V)$.

All-Pairs Shortest Paths

- Given a directed graph $G = (V, E)$, weight function $w : E \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $|V| = n$.
- Goal: create an $n \times n$ matrix of shortest-path distances $\delta(u, v)$.
- Could run BELLMAN-FORD once from each vertex:
 - $O(V^2 E)$ which is $O(V^4)$ if the graph is **dense** ($E \sim V^2$).
- If no negative-weight edges, could run Dijkstra's algorithm once from each vertex:
 - $O(V E \lg V)$ with binary heap— $O(V^3 \lg V)$ if dense
- We'll see how to do in $O(V^3)$ in all cases, with no fancy data structure.

Shortest paths and matrix multiplication

- Assume that G is given as adjacency matrix of weights: $W = (w_{ij})$, with vertices numbered 1 to n .

$$w_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j, \\ \text{weight of } (i, j) & \text{if } i \neq j, (i, j) \in E, \\ \infty & \text{if } i \neq j, (i, j) \notin E. \end{cases}$$

- Output matrix $D = (d_{ij})$, where $d_{ij} = \delta(i, j)$.
 - All simple shortest paths contain $\leq n-1$ edges
- Will use dynamic programming at first.

Shortest paths and matrix multiplication

- **Optimal substructure:** Recall: subpaths of shortest paths are shortest paths.
- **Recursive solution:** Let $l_{ij}^{(m)}$ = weight of shortest path from i to j that contains $\leq m$ edges.

$$l_{ij}^{(0)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j, \\ \infty & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases}$$

$m=0$, there is a shortest path from i to j with $\leq m$ edges if and only if $i=j$

$$\begin{aligned}
m &\geq 1 \\
\Rightarrow l_{ij}^{(m)} &= \min \left(l_{ij}^{(m-1)}, \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{ l_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj} \} \right) \\
&\quad (k \text{ is all possible predecessors of } j) \\
&= \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{ l_{ik}^{(m-1)} + w_{kj} \} \\
&\quad \text{since } w_{jj} = 0 \text{ for all } j.
\end{aligned}$$

- Observe when $m = 1$, must have $l_{ij}^{(1)} = w_{ij}$
- Conceptually, when the path is restricted to at most 1 edge, the weight of the shortest path from i to j must be w_{ij}

$$\begin{aligned}
l_{ij}^{(1)} &= \min_{1 \leq k \leq n} \{ l_{ik}^{(0)} + w_{kj} \} \\
&= l_{ii}^{(0)} + w_{ij} \quad (l_{ii}^{(0)} \text{ is the only non-}\infty \text{ among } l_{ik}^{(0)}) \\
&= w_{ij}.
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta(i, j) = l_{ij}^{(n-1)}$$

Compute a solution bottom-up:

Compute $L^{(1)}, L^{(2)}, \dots, L^{(n-1)}$

- Start with $L^{(1)} = W$, since $l^{(1)}_{ij} = w_{ij}$
- Go from $L^{(m-1)}$ to $L^{(m)}$:

EXTEND(L, W, n)

create L' an $n \times n$ matrix

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n

Runtime Complexity: $O(n^3)$

for $j \leftarrow 1$ to n

$l'_{ij} \leftarrow \infty$

for $k \leftarrow 1$ to n

$l'_{ij} \leftarrow \min(l'_{ij}, l_{ik} + w_{kj})$

return L'

SLOW-APSP(W, n)

$L^{(1)} \leftarrow W$

for $m \leftarrow 2$ to $n - 1$

$L^{(m)} \leftarrow \text{EXTEND}(L^{(m-1)}, W, n)$

return $L^{(n-1)}$

Time:

EXTEND: (n^3) .

SLOW-APSP: (n^4) .

Observation: EXTEND

EXTEND(L, W, n)

create L' an $n \times n$ matrix

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n

for $j \leftarrow 1$ to n

$l'_{ij} \leftarrow \infty$

for $k \leftarrow 1$ to n

$l'_{ij} \leftarrow \min(l'_{ij}, l_{ik} + w_{kj})$

return L'

$$L^{(1)} = L^{(0)} \bullet W = W$$

$$L^{(2)} = L^{(1)} \bullet W = W^2$$

$$L^{(n-1)} = L^{(n-2)} \bullet W = W^{n-1}$$

Why do we care?

Because our goal is to compute $L^{(n-1)}$ as fast as we can. Don't need to compute

all the intermediate $L^{(1)}, L^{(2)}, L^{(3)}, \dots, L^{(n-2)}$.

Suppose we had a matrix A and we wanted to compute A^{n-1} (like calling EXTEND $n-1$ times).

Could compute A, A^2, A^4, A^8, \dots

If we knew $A^m = A^{n-1}$ for all $m \geq n-1$, could just finish with A^r , where r is the smallest power of 2 that's $\geq n-1$.

$$r = 2^{\lceil \lg(n-1) \rceil}$$

FASTER-APSP(W, n)

$L^{(1)} \leftarrow W$

$m \leftarrow 1$

while $m < n-1$

$L^{(2m)} \leftarrow \text{EXTEND}(L^{(m)}, L^{(m)}, n)$

$m \leftarrow 2m$

return $L^{(m)}$

OK to overshoot, since products don't change after
 $L^{(n-1)}$

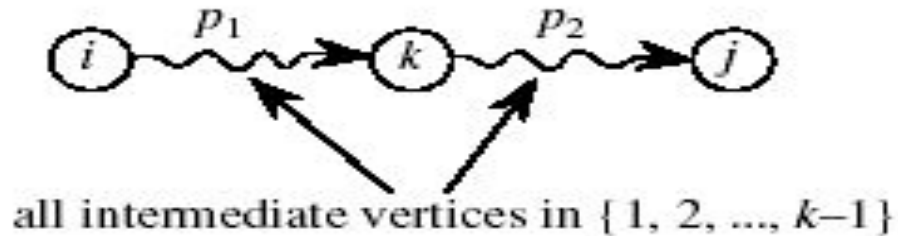
***Time:* $(n^3 \lg n)$.**

Floyd-Warshall algorithm

- A different dynamic-programming approach.
- Optimal substructure
 - For path $p = \{v_i, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k, v_j\}$, an **intermediate vertex** is any vertex of p other than v_i or v_j
 - Let $d(k)_{ij}$ = shortest-path weight of any path from i to j with all intermediate vertices in $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$.

Consider a shortest path from i to j with all intermediate vertices in $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$:

- If k is not an intermediate vertex, then all intermediate vertices of p are in $\{1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$
- If k is an intermediate vertex:



Recursive formulation

$$d_{ij}^{(k)} = \begin{cases} w_{ij} & \text{if } k = 0, \\ \min(d_{ij}^{(k-1)}, d_{ik}^{(k-1)} + d_{kj}^{(k-1)}) & \text{if } k \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

(Have $\sum_{i,j} a_{ij} \leq 1$ edge.)

Want $(d^{(n)}_{ij})$, since all vertices numbered $\leq n$

Compute bottom-up

Compute in increasing order of k :

FLOYD-WARSHALL(W, n)

$D(0) \leftarrow W$

for $k \leftarrow 1$ to n

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to n

for $j \leftarrow 1$ to n

$d^{(k)}_{ij} \leftarrow \min\{ d^{(k-1)}_{ij}, d^{(k-1)}_{ik} + d^{(k-1)}_{kj} \}$

return $D^{(n)}$

***Time:* (n^3)**