

# Optimization for Machine Learning

## Lecture 5: Constraints, Discrete Optimization I

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# Course Overview

Date		Topic
Thu, 3.11.2022	DB	Introduction
Thu, 10.11.2022	AA	Continuous Optimization I: differentiability, gradients, convexity, optimality conditions
Thu, 17.11.2022	AA	Continuous Optimization II: constrained optimization, gradient-based algorithms, stochastic gradient
Thu, 24.11.2022	AA	Continuous Optimization III: stochastic algorithms, derivative-free optimization written test / « contrôle continue »
Thu, 1.12.2022	DB	Constrained optimization, Discrete Optimization I: graph theory, greedy algorithms
Thu, 8.12.2022	DB	Discrete Optimization II: dynamic programming, branch&bound
Thu 15.12.2022	DB	Written exam
		classes from 13h30 – 16h45 (2 <sup>nd</sup> break at end)

# Constrained Optimization

## **Small exercises on whiteboard**

# Equality Constraint

## Objective:

Generalize the necessary condition of  $\nabla f(x) = 0$  at the optima of  $f$  when  $f$  is in  $\mathcal{C}^1$ , i.e. is differentiable and its differential is continuous

## Theorem:

Be  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $g: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  in  $\mathcal{C}^1$ .

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfy

$$\begin{cases} f(a) = \min \{f(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^n, g(x) = 0\} \\ g(a) = 0 \end{cases}$$

i.e.  $a$  is optimum of the problem

If  $\nabla g(a) \neq 0$ , then there exists a constant  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  called *Lagrange multiplier*, such that

$$\underbrace{\nabla f(a) + \lambda \nabla g(a)} = 0 \quad \text{Euler – Lagrange equation}$$

i.e. gradients of  $f$  and  $g$  in  $a$  are colinear

# Geometrical Interpretation Using an Example

## Exercise:

Consider the problem

$$\inf \{ f(x, y) \mid (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, g(x, y) = 0 \}$$

$$f(x, y) = y - x^2 \quad g(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 - 1 = 0$$

- 1) Plot the level sets of  $f$ , plot  $g = 0$
- 2) Compute  $\nabla f$  and  $\nabla g$
- 3) Find the solutions with  $\nabla f + \lambda \nabla g = 0$   
*equation solving with 3 unknowns  $(x, y, \lambda)$*
- 4) Plot the solutions of 3) on top of the level set graph of 1)

# Interpretation of Euler-Lagrange Equation

Intuitive way to retrieve the Euler-Lagrange equation:

- In a local minimum  $a$  of a constrained problem, the hypersurfaces (or level sets)  $f = f(a)$  and  $g = 0$  are necessarily tangent (otherwise we could decrease  $f$  by moving along  $g = 0$ ).
- Since the gradients  $\nabla f(a)$  and  $\nabla g(a)$  are orthogonal to the level sets  $f = f(a)$  and  $g = 0$ , it follows that  $\nabla f(a)$  and  $\nabla g(a)$  are colinear.

# Generalization to More than One Constraint

## Theorem

- Assume  $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g_k: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ( $1 \leq k \leq p$ ) are  $\mathcal{C}^1$ .
- Let  $a$  be such that
$$\begin{cases} f(a) = \min \{f(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^n, & g_k(x) = 0, & 1 \leq k \leq p\} \\ g_k(a) = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq k \leq p \end{cases}$$
- If  $(\nabla g_k(a))_{1 \leq k \leq p}$  are linearly independent, then there exist  $p$  real constants  $(\lambda_k)_{1 \leq k \leq p}$  such that

$$\nabla f(a) + \sum_{k=1}^p \lambda_k \nabla g_k(a) = 0$$



Lagrange multiplier

again:  $a$  does not need to be global but local minimum



# The Lagrangian

- Define the Lagrangian on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^p$  as

$$\mathcal{L}(x, \{\lambda_k\}) = f(x) + \sum_{k=1}^p \lambda_k g_k(x)$$

- To find optimal solutions, we can solve the optimality system

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Find } (x, \{\lambda_k\}) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^p \text{ such that } \nabla f(x) + \sum_{k=1}^p \lambda_k \nabla g_k(x) = 0 \\ g_k(x) = 0 \text{ for all } 1 \leq k \leq p \end{array} \right.$$

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# Inequality Constraint: Definitions

Let  $\mathcal{U} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid g_k(x) = 0 \text{ (for } k \in E), g_k(x) \leq 0 \text{ (for } k \in I)\}$ .

## Definition:

The points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that satisfy the constraints are also called *feasible* points.

## Definition:

Let  $a \in \mathcal{U}$ , we say that the constraint  $g_k(x) \leq 0$  (for  $k \in I$ ) is *active* in  $a$  if  $g_k(a) = 0$ .

# Inequality Constraint: Karush-Kuhn-Tucker Theorem

## Theorem (Karush-Kuhn-Tucker, KKT):

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also works again for  $a$  being a local minimum

Let  $I_a^0$  be the set of constraints that are active in  $a$ . Assume that  $(\nabla g_k(a))_{k \in E \cup I_a^0}$  are linearly independent.

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either active constraint  
or  $\lambda_k = 0$

# Discrete Optimization

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## Context discrete optimization:

- discrete variables
- or optimization over discrete structures (e.g. graphs)
- search space often finite, but typically too large for enumeration
- → need for smart algorithms

## Algorithms for discrete problems:

- typically problem-specific
- but some general concepts are repeatedly used:
  - greedy algorithms
  - [branch and bound]
  - dynamic programming
  - randomized search heuristics

before 2 excursions:  
the O-notation  
& graph theory

## Motivation for this Part:

- get an idea of the most common algorithm design principles

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## Motivation:

- we often want to characterize how quickly a function  $f(x)$  grows asymptotically
- e.g. when we say an algorithm takes quadratically many steps (in the input size) to find the optimum of a problem with  $n$  (binary) variables, it is most likely not exactly  $n^2$ , but maybe  $n^2+1$  or  $(n+1)^2$

## Big-O Notation

should be known, here mainly restating the definition:

**Definition 1** We write  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  iff there exists a constant  $c > 0$  and an  $x_0 > 0$  such that  $|f(x)| \leq c \cdot g(x)$  holds for all  $x > x_0$

we also view  $O(g(x))$  as a set of functions growing at most as quick as  $g(x)$  and write  $f(x) \in O(g(x))$



# Big-O: Examples

- $f(x) + c = O(f(x))$  [if  $f(x)$  does not go to zero for  $x$  to infinity]
- $c \cdot f(x) = O(f(x))$
- $f(x) \cdot g(x) = O(f(x) \cdot g(x))$
- $3n^4 + n^2 - 7 = O(n^4)$

## Intuition of the Big-O:

- if  $f(x) = O(g(x))$  then  $g(x)$  gives an upper bound (asymptotically) for  $f$  excluding constants and lower order terms
- With Big-O, you should have ' $\leq$ ' in mind
- An algorithm that solves a problem in polynomial time is "efficient"
- An algorithm that solves a problem in exponential time is not
- But be aware:  
In practice, often the line between efficient and non-efficient lies around  $n \log n$  or even  $n$  (or even  $\log n$  in the big data context) and the constants **do** matter!!!

# Excursion: The O-Notation

Further definitions to generalize from ' $\leq$ ' to ' $\geq$ ' and ' $=$ ':

- $f(x) = \Omega(g(x))$  if  $g(x) = O(f(x))$
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# Exercise O-Notation

- ❶ Please order the following functions in terms of their asymptotic behavior (from smallest to largest):
  - $\exp(n^2)$
  - $\log n$
  - $\ln n / \ln \ln n$
  - $n$
  - $n \log n$
  - $\exp(n)$
  - $\ln n!$
  
- ❷ Pick one pair of runtimes and give a formal proof for the relation.

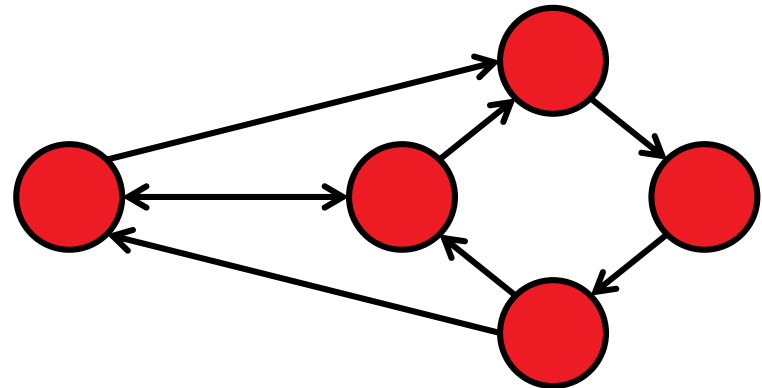
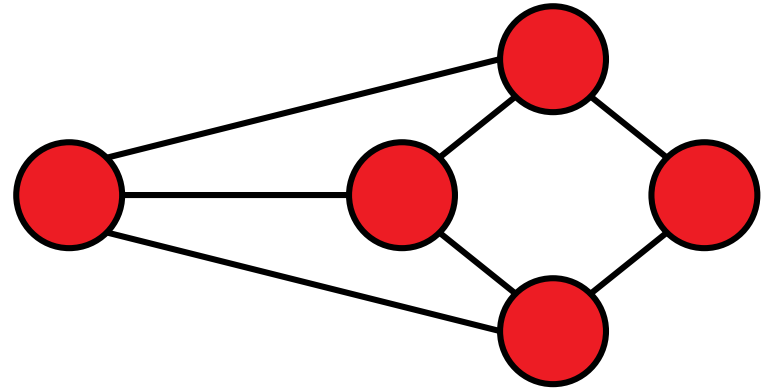
# **Excursion: Basic Concepts of Graph Theory**

[following for example [http://math.tut.fi/~ruohonen/GT\\_English.pdf](http://math.tut.fi/~ruohonen/GT_English.pdf)]

# Graphs

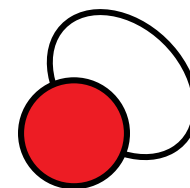
**Definition 1** An undirected graph  $G$  is a tuple  $G = (V, E)$  of edges  $e = \{u, v\} \in E$  over the vertex set  $V$  (i.e.,  $u, v \in V$ ).

- vertices = nodes
- edges = lines
- Note: edges cover two *unordered* vertices (*undirected* graph)
  - if they are *ordered*, we call  $G$  a *directed* graph



# Graphs: Basic Definitions

- $G$  is called *empty* if  $E$  empty
- $u$  and  $v$  are *end vertices* of an edge  $\{u,v\}$
- Edges are *adjacent* if they share an end vertex
- Vertices  $u$  and  $v$  are *adjacent* if  $\{u,v\}$  is in  $E$



a loop

# Walks, Paths, and Circuits

**Definition 1** A walk in a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a sequence

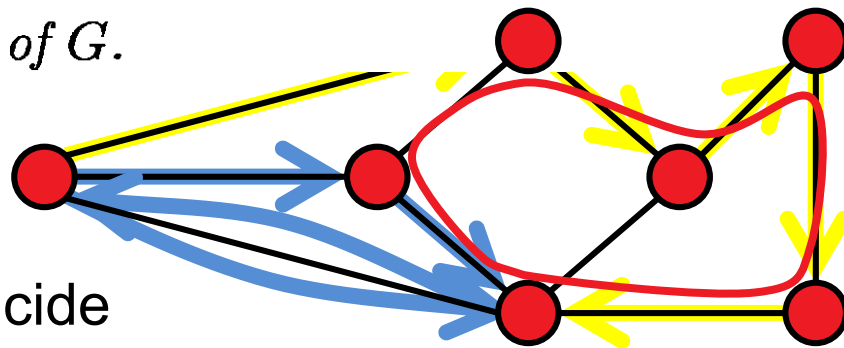
$$v_{i_0}, e_{i_1} = (v_{i_0}, v_{i_1}), v_{i_1}, e_{i_2} = (v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}), \dots, e_{i_k}, v_{i_k},$$

alternating vertices and adjacent edges of  $G$ .

A walk is

- *closed* if first and last node coincide
- a *trail* if each edge traversed at most once
- a *path* if each vertex is visited at most once

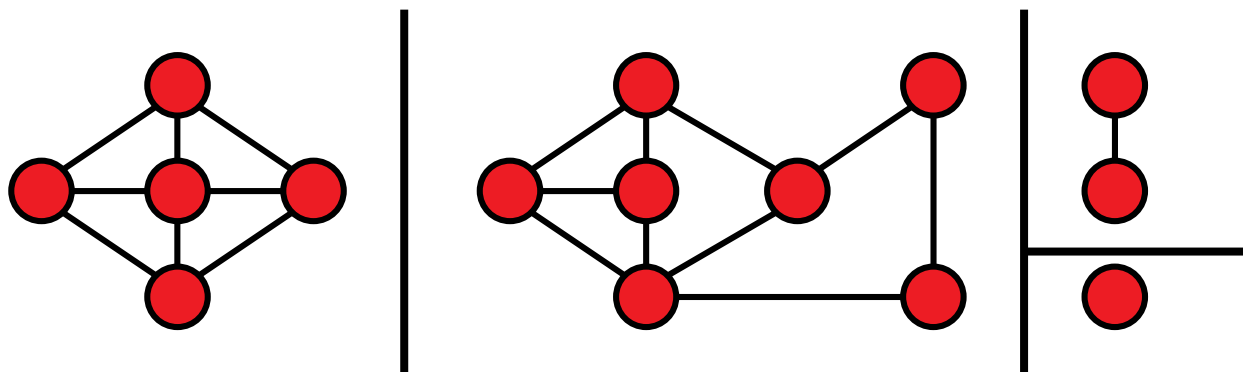
a closed path is called a *circuit* or *cycle*





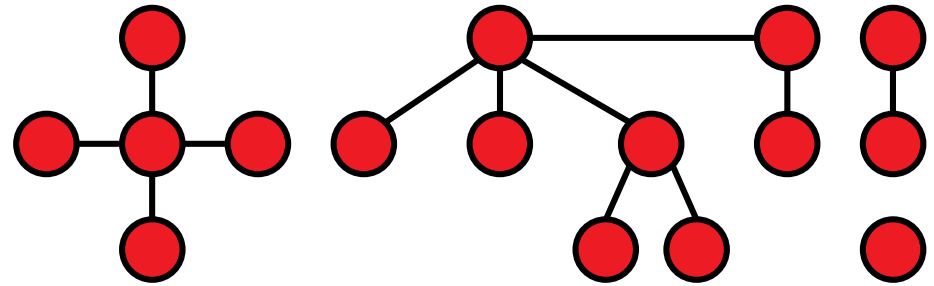
# Graphs: Connectedness

- Two vertices are called *connected* if there is a walk between them in  $G$
- If all vertex pairs in  $G$  are connected,  $G$  is called connected
- The *connected components* of  $G$  are the (maximal) subgraphs which are connected.

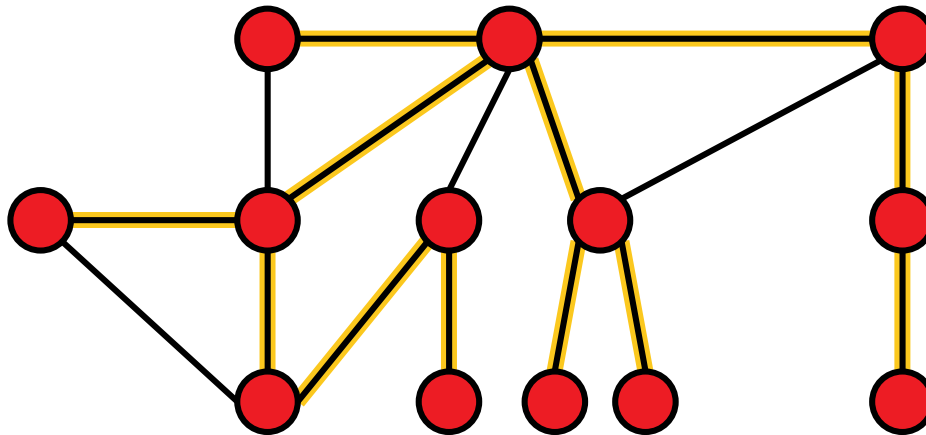


# Trees and Forests

- A *forest* is a cycle-free graph
- A *tree* is a connected forest



A *spanning tree* of a connected graph  $G$  is a tree in  $G$  which contains all vertices of  $G$



# Greedy Algorithms

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From Wikipedia:

“A *greedy algorithm* is an algorithm that follows the problem solving *heuristic* of making the locally optimal choice at each stage with the hope of finding a global optimum.”

- Note: typically greedy algorithms do not find the global optimum

# Lecture Outline Greedy Algorithms

## What we will see:

- ❶ Example 1: Money Change problem
- ❷ Example 2: Minimal Spanning Trees (MST) and the algorithm of Kruskal

# Example 1: Money Change

## Change-making problem

- Given  $n$  coins of distinct values  $w_1=1, w_2, \dots, w_n$  and a total change  $W$  (where  $w_1, \dots, w_n$ , and  $W$  are integers).
- Minimize the total amount of coins  $\sum x_i$  such that  $\sum w_i x_i = W$  and where  $x_i$  is the number of times, coin  $i$  is given back as change.

## Greedy Algorithm

Unless total change not reached:

add the largest coin which is not larger than the remaining amount to the change

*Note:* only optimal for standard coin sets, not for arbitrary ones!

## Related Problem:

finishing darts (from 501 to 0 with 9 darts)

# Example 2: Minimal Spanning Trees (MST)

## Outline:

- problem definition
- Kruskal's algorithm
  - including correctness proofs and analysis of running time

# MST: Problem Definition

**Reminder:** A *spanning tree* of a connected graph  $G$  is a tree in  $G$  which contains all vertices of  $G$

## Minimum Spanning Tree Problem (MST):

Given a (connected) graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge weights  $w_i$  for each edge  $e_i$ . Find a spanning tree  $T$  that minimizes the weights of the contained edges, i.e. where

$$\sum_{e_i \in T} w_i$$

is minimized.



# Kruskal's Algorithm

## Idea (Kruskal, 1956):

- create (minimal) spanning tree from the bottom up
- start with all nodes separate/unconnected
- in each step, connect a so-far unconnected node to another one
  - without creating a cycle
  - until we have found our (minimal) spanning tree
  - ...and in a way that creates a minimal spanning tree in the end

# Kruskal's Algorithm

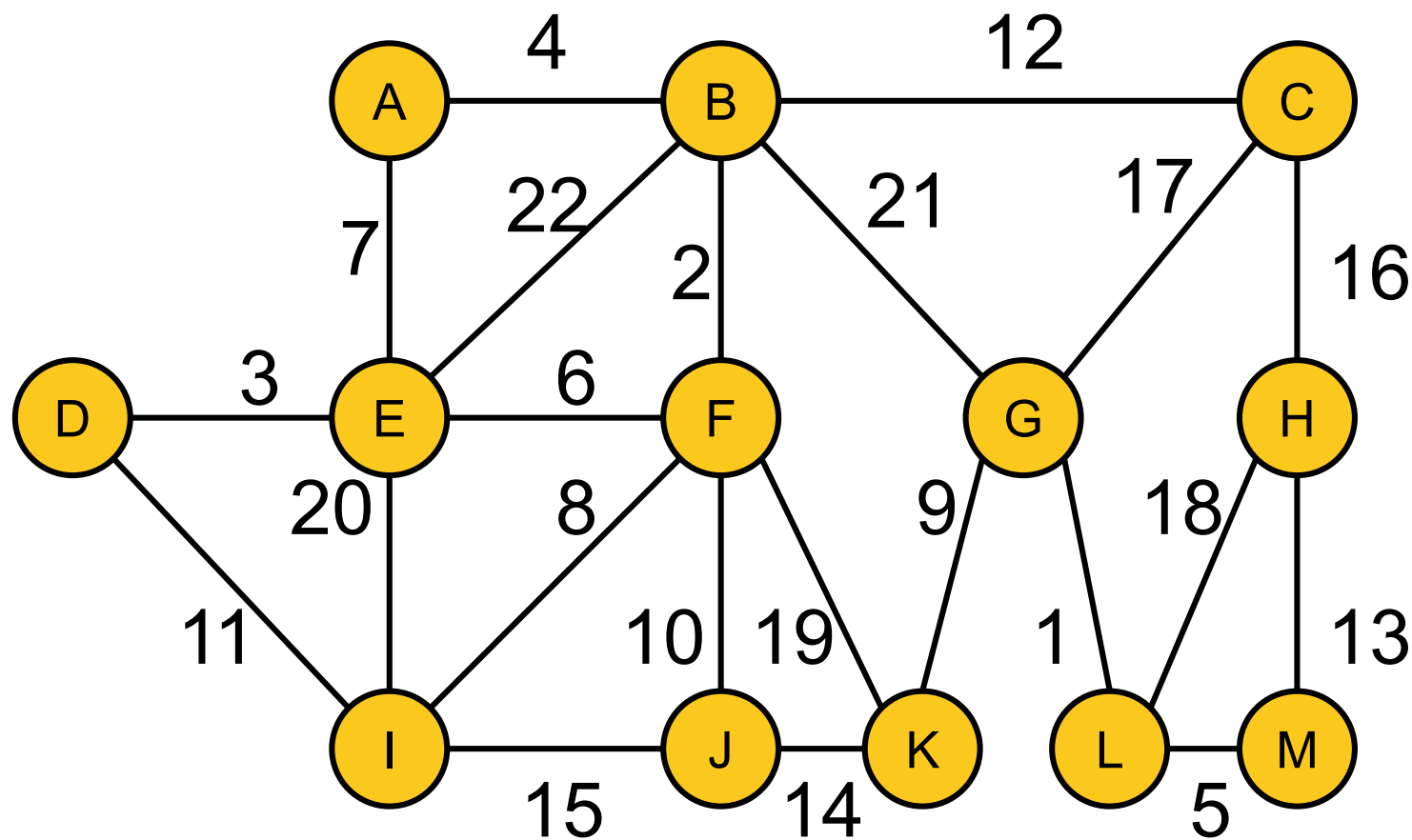
**Algorithm**, see [1]

- Create forest  $F = (V, \{\})$  with  $n$  components and no edge
- Put sorted edges (such that w.l.o.g.  $w_1 \leq w_2 \leq \dots \leq w_{|E|}$ ) into  $S$
- While  $S$  non-empty and  $F$  not spanning:
  - delete cheapest edge from  $S$
  - add it to  $F$  if no cycle is introduced

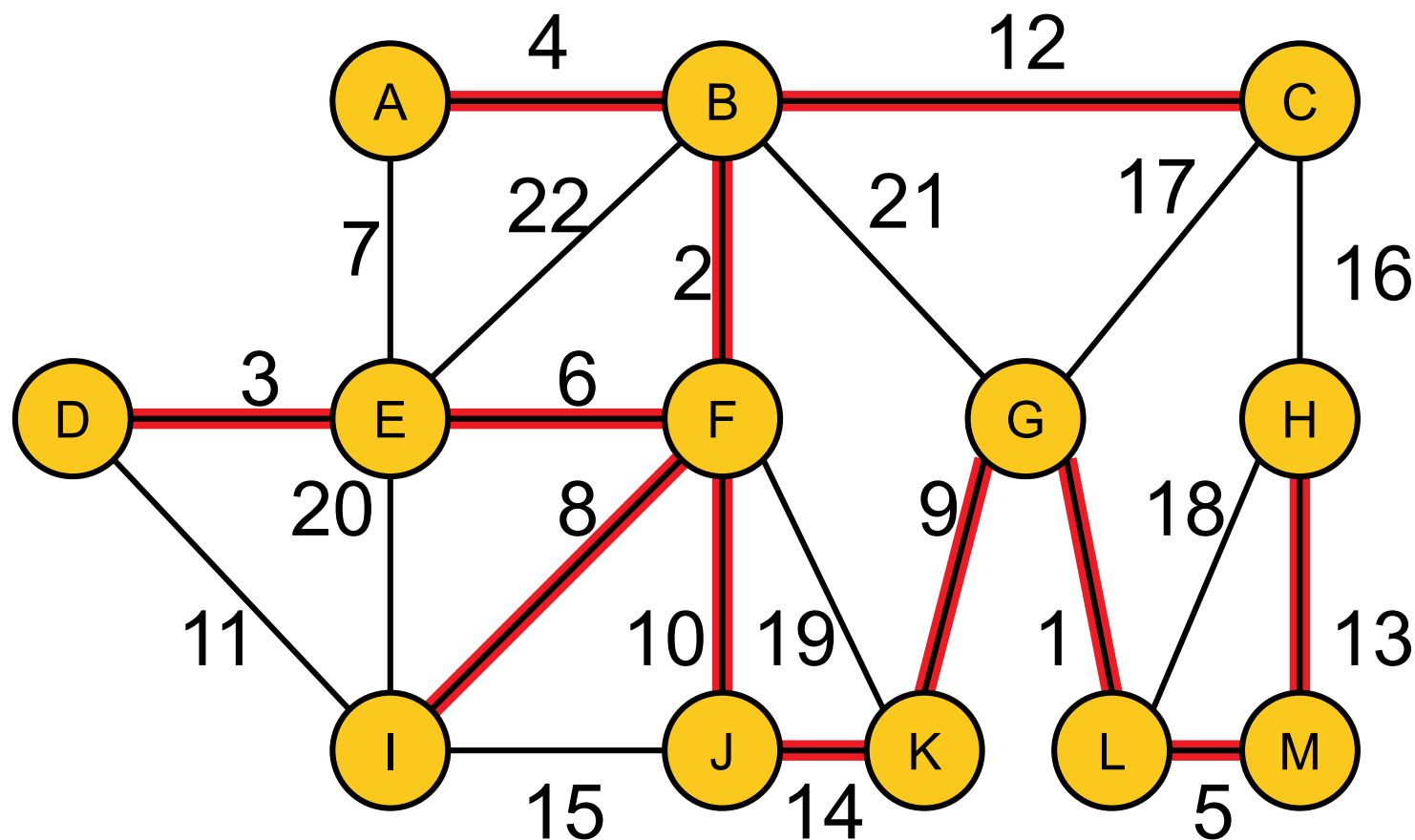
Where is the greedy part?

[1] Kruskal, J. B. (1956). "On the shortest spanning subtree of a graph and the traveling salesman problem". *Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society* **7**: 48–50. doi:10.1090/S0002-9939-1956-0078686-7

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# Kruskal's Algorithm: Runtime Considerations

First question: how to implement the algorithm?

- sorting of edges needs  $O(|E| \log |E|)$

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simple

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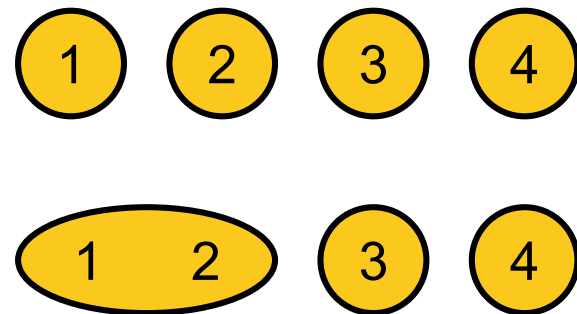
forest implementation:  
**Disjoint-set  
data structure**

# Disjoint-set Data Structure (“Union&Find”)

**Data structure:** ground set  $1 \dots N$  grouped to disjoint sets

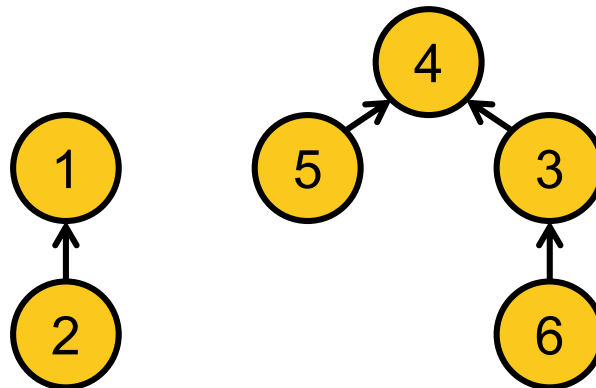
## Operations:

- $\text{FIND}(i)$ : to which set (“tree”) does  $i$  belong?
- $\text{UNION}(i, j)$ : union the sets of  $i$  and  $j$ !  
(“join the two trees of  $i$  and  $j$ ”)



## Implemented as trees:

- $\text{UNION}(T1, T2)$ : hang root node of smaller tree under root node of larger tree (constant time), thus
- $\text{FIND}(u)$ : traverse tree from  $u$  to root (to return a representative of  $u$ 's set) takes logarithmic time in total number of nodes



# Implementation of Kruskal's Algorithm

**Algorithm**, rewritten with UNION-FIND:

- Create initial disjoint-set data structure, i.e. for each vertex  $v_i$ , store  $v_i$  as representative of its set
- Create empty forest  $F = (V, \{\})$
- Sort edges into  $e_1, \dots, e_{|E|}$  such that  $w_1 < w_2 < \dots < w_{|E|}$
- for each edge  $e_i = \{u, v\}$  starting from  $i=1$ :
  - if  $\text{FIND}(u) \neq \text{FIND}(v)$ : # no cycle introduced
    - $F = F \cup \{\{u, v\}\}$
    - $\text{UNION}(u, v)$
  - If UNION-FIND data structure has only one component:
    - return  $F$

# Back to Runtime Considerations

- Sorting of edges needs  $O(|E| \log |E|)$
- forest: **Disjoint-set data structure**
  - initialization:  $O(|V|)$
  - $O(\log |V|)$  to find out whether the minimum-cost edge  $\{u,v\}$  connects two sets (no cycle induced) or is within a set (cycle would be induced)
  - 2x FIND + potential UNION needs to be done  $O(|E|)$  times
  - total  $O(|E| \log |V|)$
- Overall:  $O(|E| \log |E|)$



# Kruskal's Algorithm: Proof of Correctness

## Two parts needed:

- ① Algo always produces a spanning tree  
final  $F$  contains no cycle and is connected by definition ✓
- ② Algo always produces a *minimum* spanning tree
  - argument by induction
  - P: If  $F$  is forest at a given stage of the algorithm, then there is some minimum spanning tree that contains  $F$ .
  - clearly true for  $F = (V, \{\})$
  - assume that P holds when new edge  $e$  is added to  $F$  and be  $T$  the MST that contains  $F$ 
    - if  $e$  in  $T$ , fine
    - if  $e$  not in  $T$ :  $T + e$  has cycle  $C$  with edge  $f$  in  $C$  but not in  $F$  (otherwise  $e$  would have introduced a cycle in  $F$ )
      - now  $T - f + e$  is a tree with same weight as  $T$  (since  $T$  is a MST and  $f$  was not chosen to  $F$ )
      - hence  $T - f + e$  is MST including  $T + e$  (i.e. P holds)



# Conclusion Greedy Algorithms I

## What we have seen so far:

- two problems where a greedy algorithm was optimal
  - money change
  - minimum spanning tree (Kruskal's algorithm)
- but also: greedy not always optimal
  - for some sets of coins for example

**Obvious Question:** when is greedy good?

**Answer:** if the problem is a matroid (no further details here)

From Wikipedia: [...] a matroid is a structure that captures and generalizes the notion of linear independence in vector spaces. There are many equivalent ways to define a matroid, the most significant being in terms of independent sets, bases, circuits, closed sets or flats, closure operators, and rank functions.

# Conclusions Greedy Algorithms II

I hope it became clear...

...what a **greedy algorithm** is

...that it **not always** results in the **optimal solution**

...but that it does if and only if the problem is a **matroid**

# Dynamic Programming

# Dynamic Programming

## Wikipedia:

“[...] **dynamic programming** is a method for solving a complex problem by breaking it down into a collection of simpler subproblems.”

## But that's not all:

- dynamic programming also makes sure that the subproblems are not solved too often but only once by keeping the solutions of simpler subproblems in memory (“trading space vs. time”)
- it is an exact method, i.e. in comparison to the greedy approach, it always solves a problem to optimality

## Note:

the reason why the approach is called "dynamic programming" is historical: at the time of invention by Richard Bellman, no computer "program" existed

# Two Properties Needed

## Optimal Substructure

A solution can be constructed efficiently from optimal solutions of sub-problems

## Overlapping Subproblems

Wikipedia: “[...] a problem is said to have **overlapping subproblems** if the problem can be broken down into subproblems which are reused several times or a recursive algorithm for the problem solves the same subproblem over and over rather than always generating new subproblems.”

Note: in case of optimal substructure but independent subproblems, often greedy algorithms are a good choice; in this case, dynamic programming is often called “divide and conquer” instead

# Main Idea Behind Dynamic Programming

Main idea: solve larger subproblems by breaking them down to smaller, easier subproblems in a recursive manner

## Typical Algorithm Design:

- ① decompose the problem into subproblems and think about how to solve a larger problem with the solutions of its subproblems
- ② specify how you compute the value of a larger problem recursively with the help of the optimal values of its subproblems (“Bellman equation”)
- ③ bottom-up solving of the subproblems (i.e. computing their optimal value), starting from the smallest by using the Bellman equality and a table structure to store the optimal values (top-down approach also possible, but less common)
- ④ eventually construct the final solution (can be omitted if only the value of an optimal solution is sought)

# Lecture Outline Dynamic Programming (DP)

## What we will see:

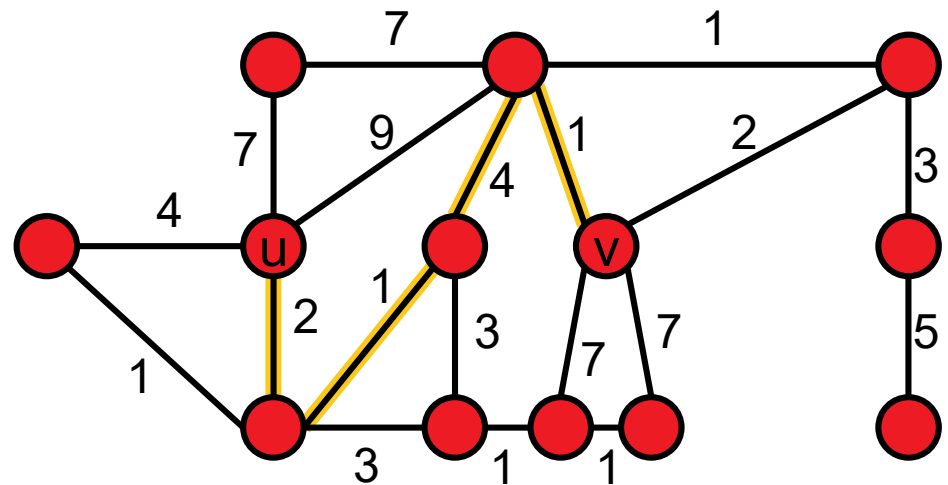
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## Obvious Applications

Google maps

Autonomous cars

Finding routes for packages in a computer network

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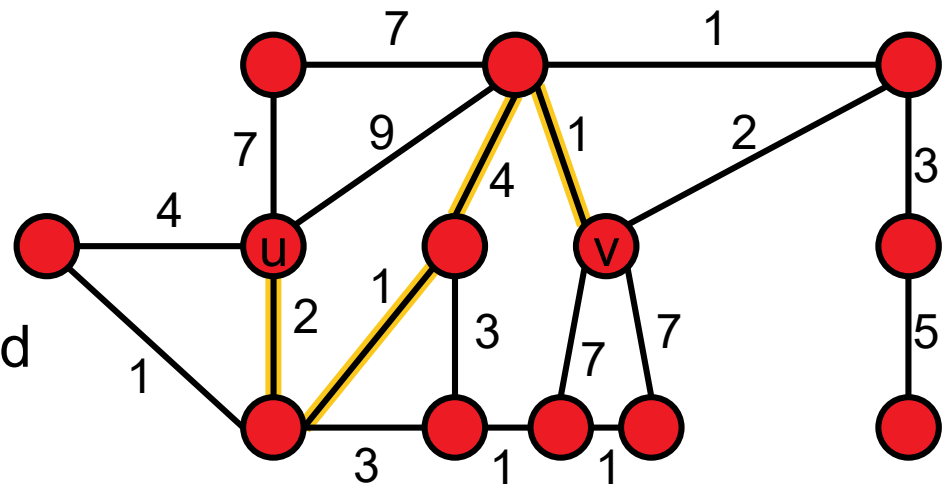
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## Note:

We can often assume that the edge weights are stored in a distance matrix  $D$  of dimension  $|E| \times |E|$  where an entry  $D_{i,j}$  gives the weight between nodes  $i$  and  $j$  and “non-edges” are assigned a value of  $\infty$



**Why important?**  $\Rightarrow$  determines input size

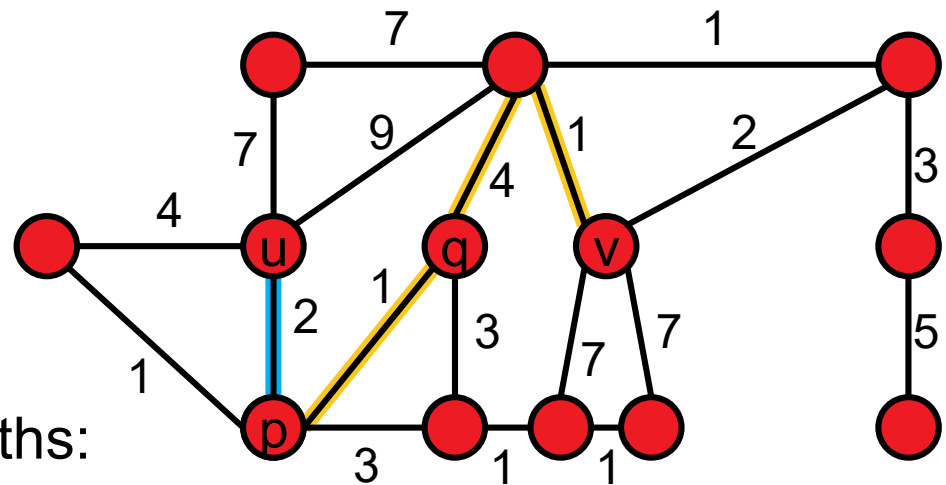
# Opt. Substructure and Overlapping Subproblems

## Optimal Substructure

The optimal path from  $u$  to  $v$ , if it contains another vertex  $p$  can be constructed by simply joining the optimal path from  $u$  to  $p$  with the optimal path from  $p$  to  $v$ .

## Overlapping Subproblems

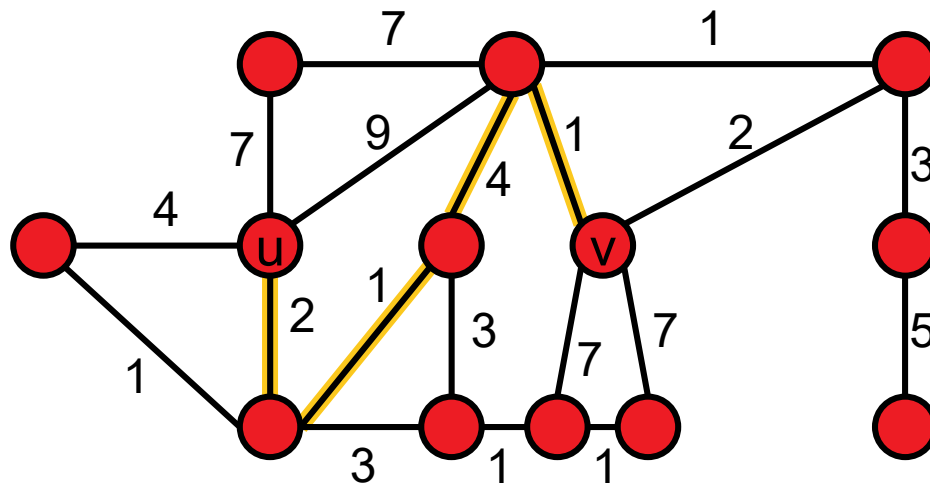
Optimal shortest sub-paths can be reused when computing longer paths:  
e.g. the optimal path from  $u$  to  $p$  is contained in the optimal path from  $u$  to  $q$  and in the optimal path from  $u$  to  $v$ .



# The All Pairs Shortest Paths Problem

## All Pairs Shortest Path problem:

Given a graph  $G=(V,E)$  with edge weights  $w_i$  for each edge  $e_i$ . Find the shortest path **from each source** vertex  $v$  **to each other target** vertex  $u$ , i.e., the paths  $(v, e_1=\{v, v_1\}, v_1, \dots, v_k, e_k=\{v_k, u\}, u)$  such that  $w_1 + \dots + w_k$  is minimized for all pairs  $(u,v)$  in  $V^2$ .



# The Algorithm of Robert Floyd (1962)

## Idea:

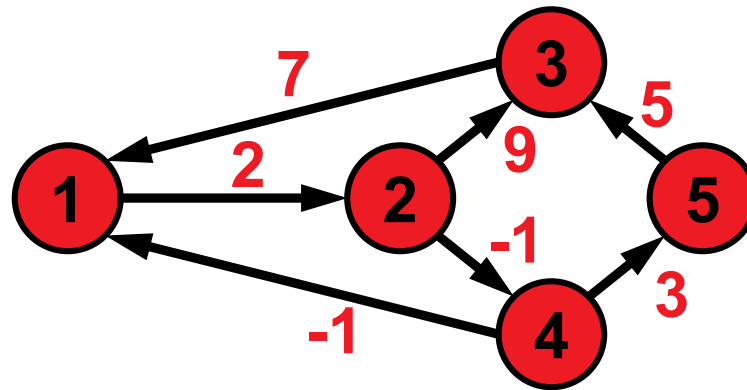
- if we knew that the shortest path between source and target goes through node  $v$ , we would be able to construct the optimal path from the shorter paths “source $\rightarrow v$ ” and “ $v\rightarrow$ target”
- subproblem  $P(k)$ : compute all shortest paths where the intermediate nodes can be chosen from  $v_1, \dots, v_k$

## AllPairsShortestPathFloyd( $G, D$ )

- Init: for all  $1 \leq i, j \leq |V|$ :  $\text{dist}(i, j) = D_{i,j}$
- For  $k = 1$  to  $|V|$       # solve subproblems  $P(k)$ 
  - for all pairs of nodes (i.e.  $1 \leq i, j \leq |V|$ ):
    - $\text{dist}(i, j) = \min \{ \text{dist}(i, j), \text{dist}(i, k) + \text{dist}(k, j) \}$

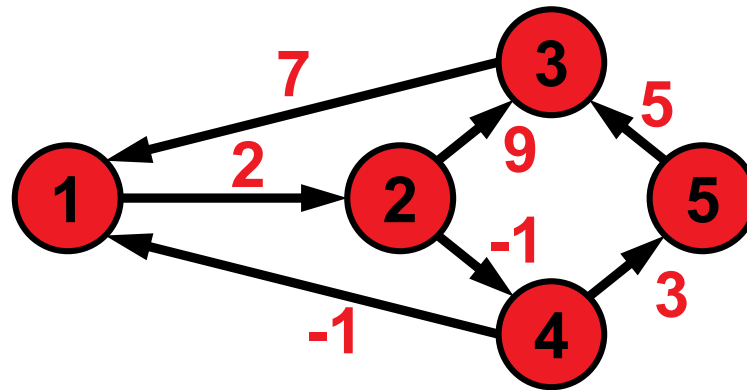
**Note:** Bernard Roy in 1959 and Stephen Warshall in 1962 essentially proposed the same algorithm independently.

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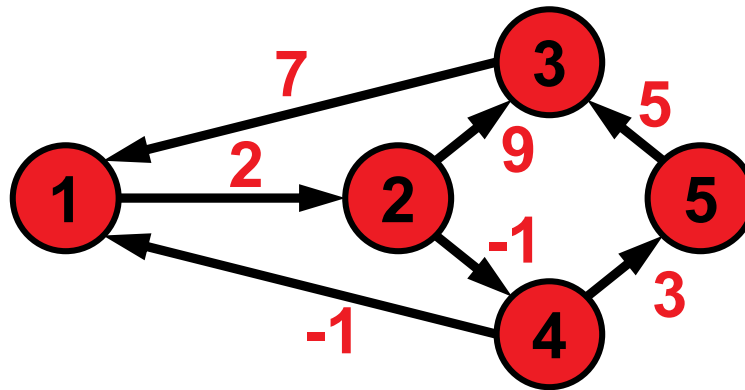
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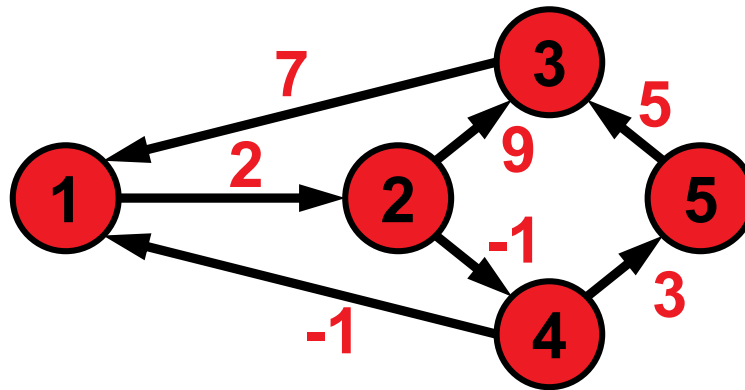
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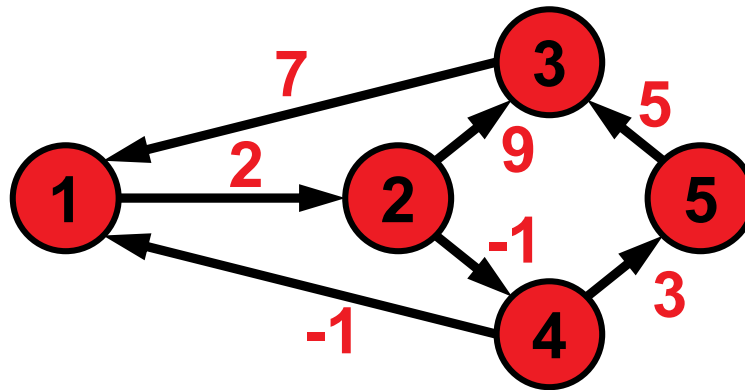
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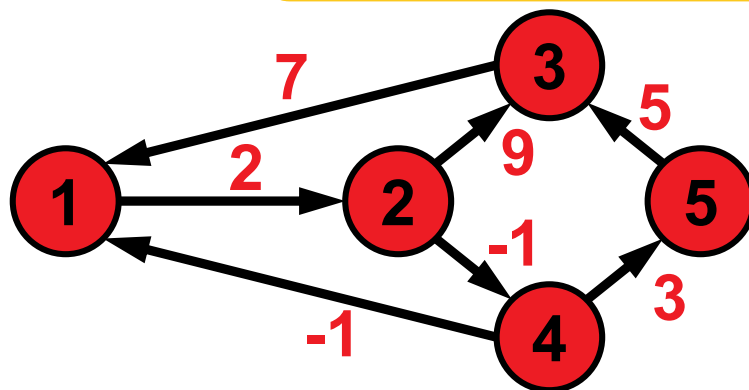
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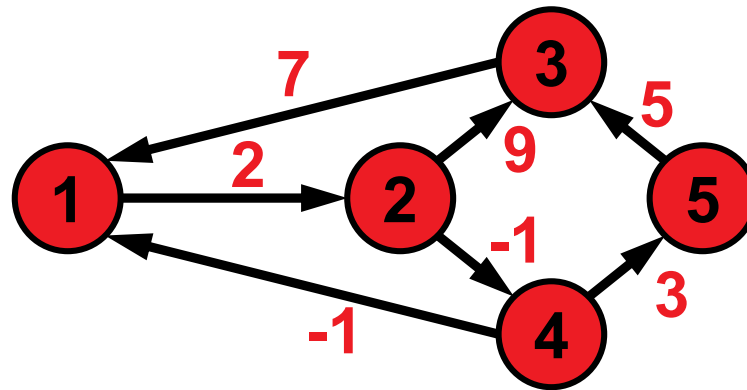
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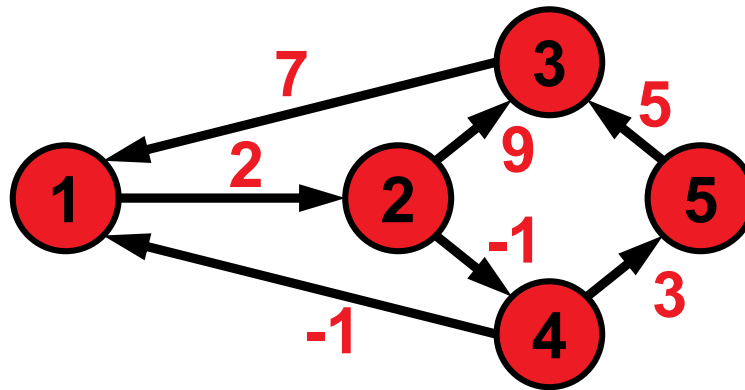
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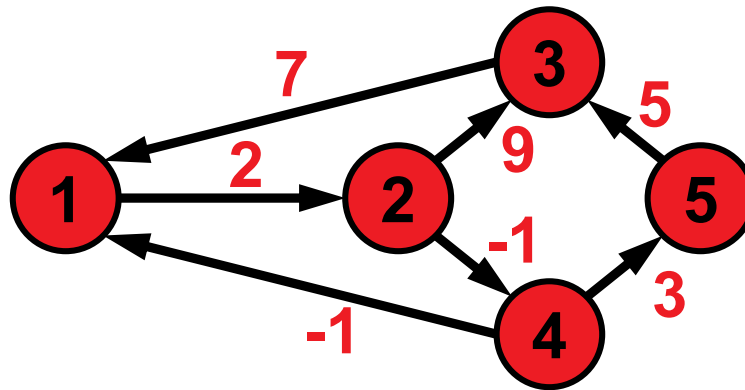


allow 1 & 2 as intermediate nodes

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1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$
3	7	9	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	3	7	9	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
4	-1	1	$\infty$	$\infty$	3	4	-1	1	$\infty$	$\infty$	3
5	$\infty$	$\infty$	5	$\infty$	$\infty$	5	$\infty$	$\infty$	5	$\infty$	$\infty$

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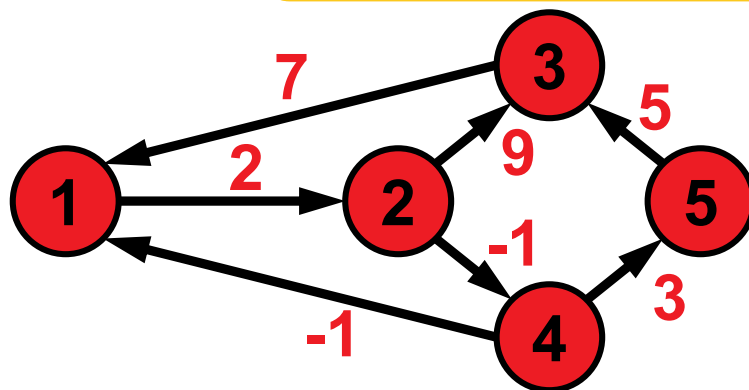


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2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$
3	7	9	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	3	7	9	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
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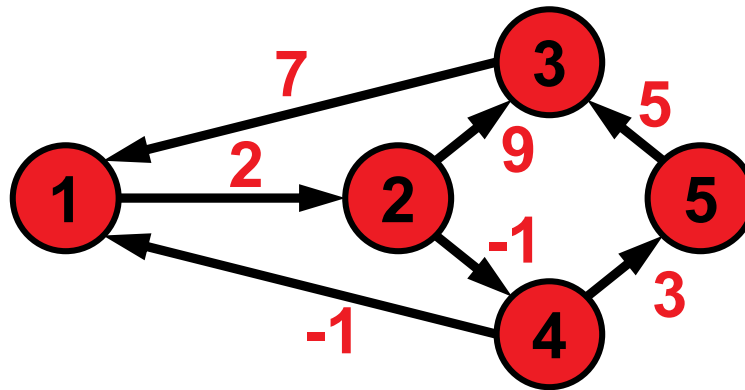


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1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	1	$\infty$	2	11	1	$\infty$
2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$
3	7	9	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	3	7	9	18	8	$\infty$
4	-1	1	$\infty$	$\infty$	3	4	-1	1	10	0	3
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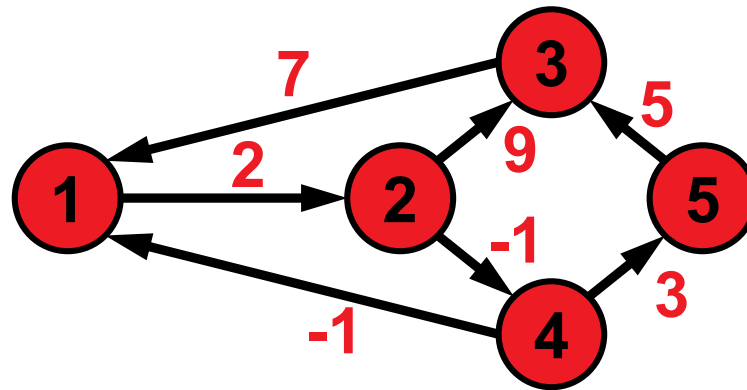
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k=2	1	2	3	4	5	k=3	1	2	3	4	5
1	$\infty$	2	11	1	$\infty$	1	$\infty$	2	11	1	$\infty$
2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$
3	7	9	18	8	$\infty$	3	7	9	18	8	$\infty$
4	-1	1	10	0	3	4	-1	1	10	0	3
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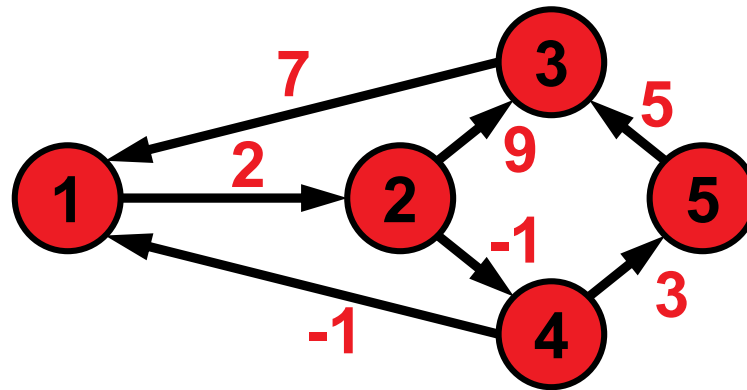


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1	$\infty$	2	11	1	$\infty$	1			11		$\infty$
2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2			9		$\infty$
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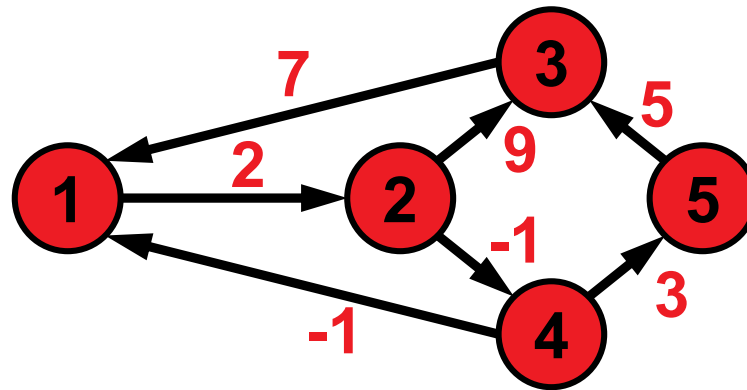


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1	$\infty$	2	11	1	$\infty$	1	18	2	11	1	$\infty$
2	$\infty$	$\infty$	9	-1	$\infty$	2	16	18	9	-1	$\infty$
3	7	9	18	8	$\infty$	3	7	9	18	8	$\infty$
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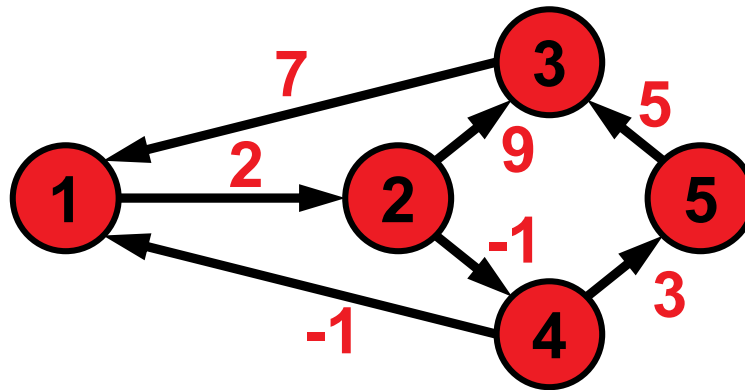


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k=3	1	2	3	4	5	k=4	1	2	3	4	5
1	18	2	11	1	$\infty$	1	18	2	11	1	$\infty$
2	16	18	9	-1	$\infty$	2	16	18	9	-1	$\infty$
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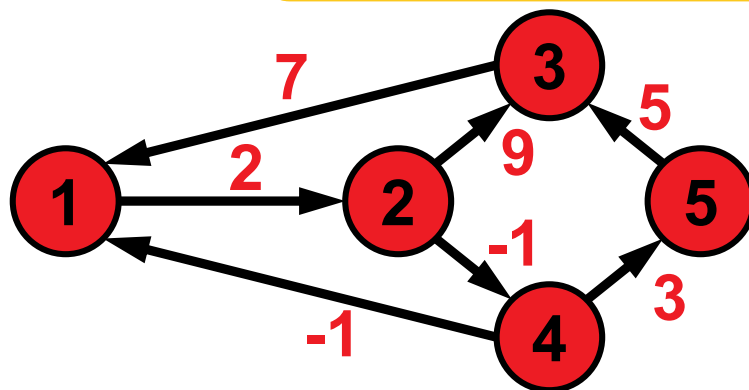


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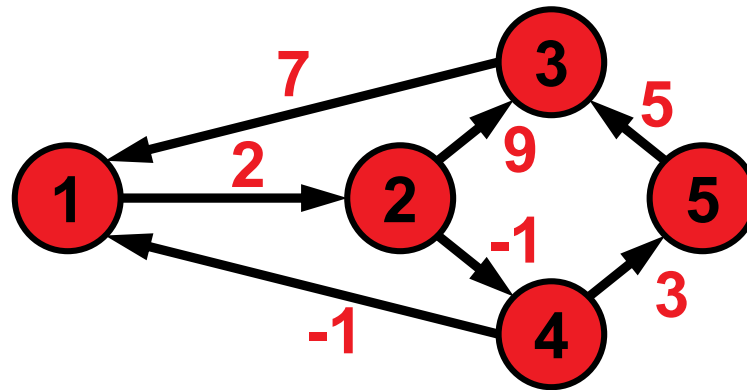


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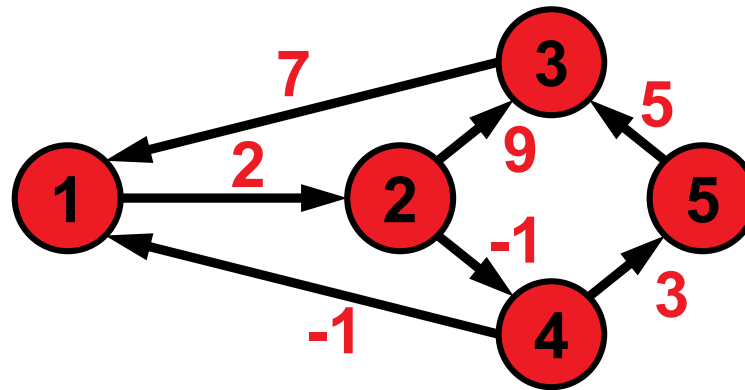


allow all nodes as intermediate nodes

k=4	1	2	3	4	5	k=5	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	2	11	1	4	1	0	2	11	1	4
2	-2	0	9	-1	2	2	-2	0	9	-1	2
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1	0	2	11	1	4	1	0	2	9	1	4
2	-2	0	9	-1	2	2	-2	0	7	-1	2
3	7	9	18	8	11	3	7	9	16	8	11
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# Runtime Considerations and Correctness

## $O(|V|^3)$ easy to show

- $O(|V|^2)$  many distances need to be updated  $O(|V|)$  times

## Correctness

- given by the Bellman equation
$$\text{dist}(i,j) = \min \{ \text{dist}(i,j), \text{dist}(i,k) + \text{dist}(k,j) \}$$
- only correct if cycles do not have negative total weight (can be checked in final distance matrix if diagonal elements are negative)



# But How Can We Actually Construct the Paths?

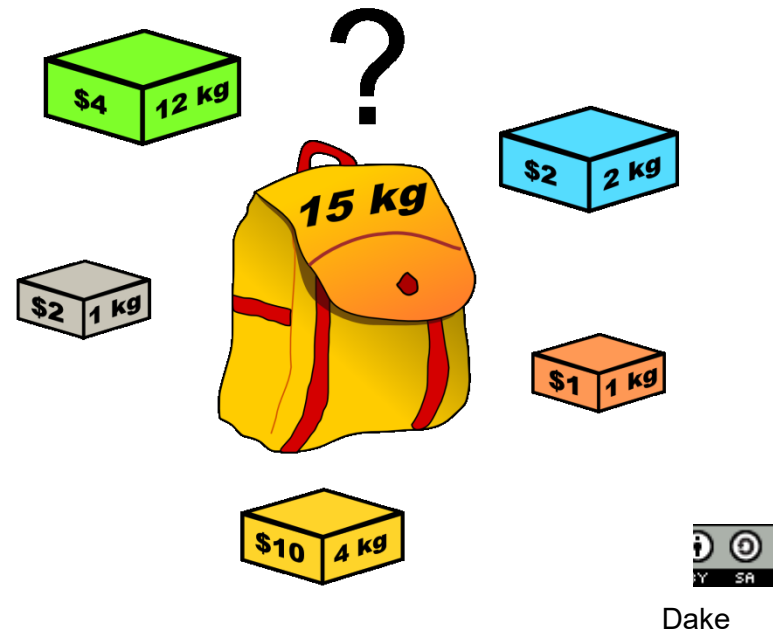
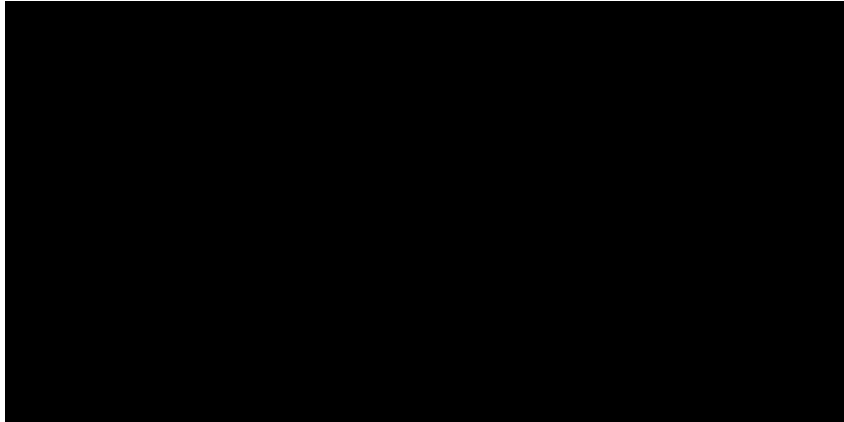
- Construct matrix of predecessors  $P$  alongside distance matrix
- $P_{i,j}(k)$  = predecessor of node  $j$  on path from  $i$  to  $j$  (at algo. step  $k$ )
- no extra costs (asymptotically)

$$P_{i,j}(0) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j \text{ or } d_{i,j} = \infty \\ i & \text{in all other cases} \end{cases}$$

$$P_{i,j}(k) = \begin{cases} P_{i,j}(k-1) & \text{if } \text{dist}(i,j) \leq \text{dist}(i,k) + \text{dist}(k,j) \\ P_{k,j}(k-1) & \text{if } \text{dist}(i,j) > \text{dist}(i,k) + \text{dist}(k,j) \end{cases}$$

# Example 2: The Knapsack Problem (KP)

## Knapsack Problem



# Opt. Substructure and Overlapping Subproblems

## Consider the following subproblem:

$P(i, j)$ : optimal profit when packing the first  $i$  items into a knapsack of size  $j$

## Optimal Substructure

The optimal choice of whether taking item  $i$  or not can be made easily for a knapsack of weight  $j$  if we know the optimal choice for items  $1 \dots i - 1$ :

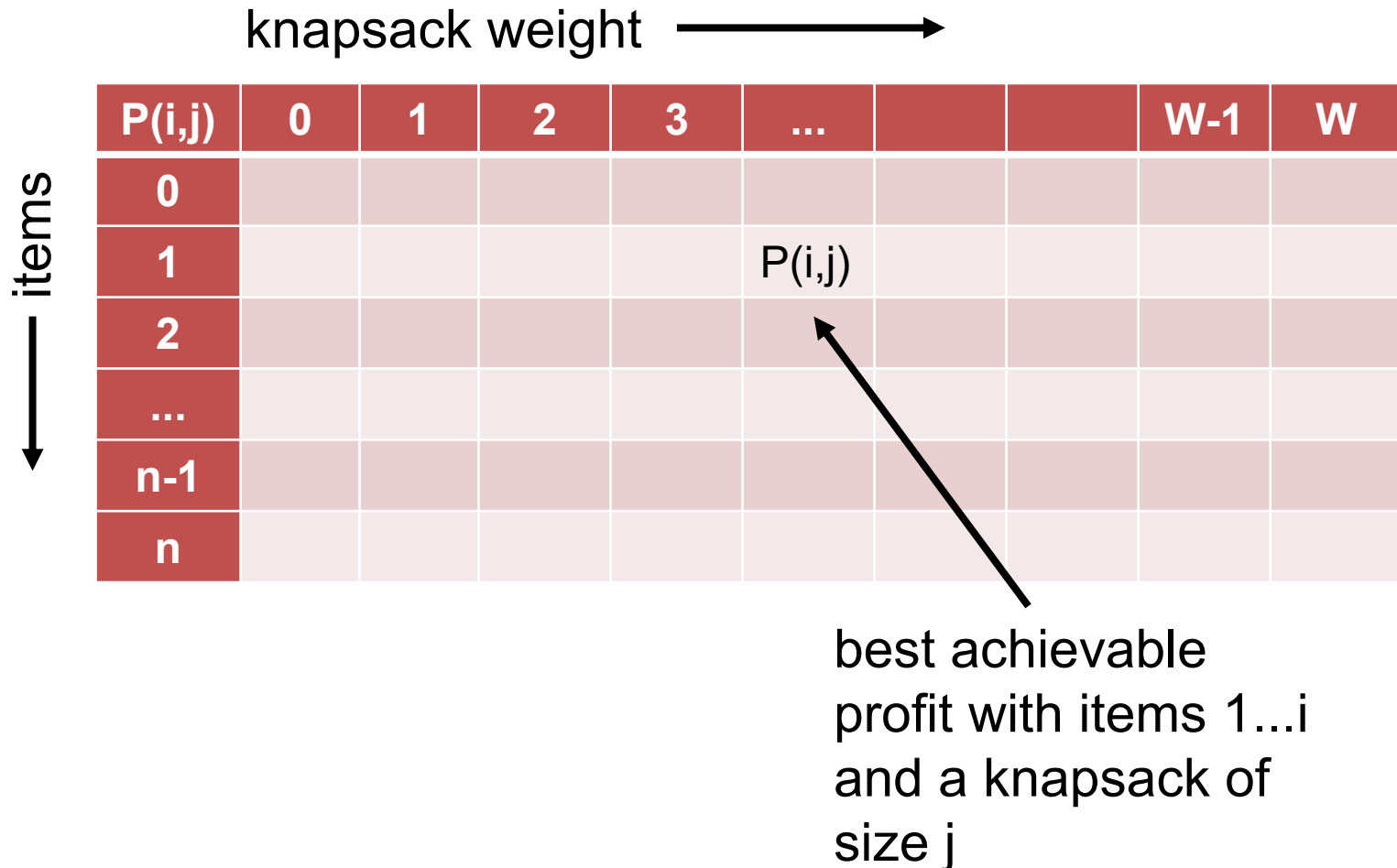
$$P(i, j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\ P(i - 1, j) & \text{if } w_i > j \\ \max\{P(i - 1, j), p_i + P(i - 1, j - w_i)\} & \text{if } w_i \leq j \end{cases}$$

## Overlapping Subproblems

a recursive implementation of the Bellman equation is simple, but the  $P(i, j)$  might need to be computed more than once!

# Dynamic Programming Approach to the KP

To circumvent computing the subproblems more than once, we can store their results (in a matrix for example)...



# Dynamic Programming Approach to the KP

Example instance with 5 items with weights and profits  
(5,4), (7,10), (2,3), (4,5), and (3,3). Weight restriction is  $W=11$ .

knapsack weight  $\longrightarrow$

items $\downarrow$	$P(i,j)$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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1	0	0	0	0	0	4						
2	0											
3	0											
4	0											
5	0											

A red arrow points from the cell (1,4) to (1,5) with the label  $+p_1(=4)$ . A blue arrow points from the cell (1,5) to (0,5).

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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4					
2	0											
3	0											
4	0											
5	0											

A red arrow points from the cell (1, 5) to (1, 6) with the label  $+p_1(=4)$ . A blue arrow points from the cell (1, 6) to (0, 6).

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :

for  $j = 1$  to  $W$ :

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	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
	2	0											
	3	0											
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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4					
3	0											
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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10				
3	0											
4	0											
5	0											

A red arrow points from the cell (2, 7) to the cell (1, 4). A blue arrow points from the cell (2, 7) to the cell (2, 8). The text  $+p_2(= 10)$  is written in red below the cell (2, 7).

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :

for  $j = 1$  to  $W$ :

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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0											
4	0											
5	0											

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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3							
4	0											
5	0											

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P(i,j)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4						
4	0											
5	0											

Diagram illustrating the DP table for the Knapsack Problem. The table shows the maximum profit P(i,j) for items 0 to 5 and knapsack weights 0 to 11. The value 4 in the cell (3,5) is highlighted in green, indicating the optimal solution for item 3 at weight 5. A red arrow points from the value 3 in the cell (3,4) to the value 4 in the cell (3,5), labeled  $+p_3 (= 3)$ . A blue arrow points from the value 4 in the cell (2,5) to the value 4 in the cell (3,5).

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items  $\downarrow$

P(i,j)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4	4					
4	0											
5	0											

Diagram illustrating the DP table calculation for item 3 (i=3) at weight 6 (j=6). The value 4 is highlighted in green. A red arrow points from the cell (3,4) to (3,6), labeled  $+p_3(=3)$ . A blue arrow points from the cell (2,6) to (3,6).

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :

for  $j = 1$  to  $W$ :

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P(i,j)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4	4	10	etc.			
4	0											
5	0											

Annotations: A red arrow points from the cell (3,6) with value 4 to the cell (3,7) with value 10, labeled  $+p_3 (= 3)$ . A blue arrow points from the cell (3,7) with value 10 to the cell (2,8) with value 10.

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4	4	10	10	13	13	13
4	0	0	3	3	5	5	8	10	10	13	13	15
5	0	0	3	3	5	6	8	10	10	13	13	15

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1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4	4	10	10	13	13	13
4	0	0	3	3	5	5	8	10	10	13	13	15
5	0	0	3	3	5	6	8	10	10	13	13	15

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**Question:** How to obtain the actual packing?

**Answer:** we just need to remember where the max came from!

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items  $\downarrow$

P(i,j)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
2	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	10	10	10	10	10
3	0	0	3	3	3	4	4	10	10	13	13	13
4	0	0	3	3	5	5	8	10	10	13	13	15
5	0	0	3	3	5	6	8	10	10	13	13	15

Diagram illustrating the DP table for the Knapsack Problem (KP) with 5 items and a knapsack weight up to 11. The table shows the maximum value P(i,j) for each item i and weight j. Red arrows indicate the path of the optimal solution, showing the selection of items (x<sub>1</sub>=0, x<sub>2</sub>=1, x<sub>3</sub>=0, x<sub>4</sub>=1, x<sub>5</sub>=0).

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# Conclusions

I hope it became clear...

...what the algorithm design ideas of **dynamic programming** are  
...and for which problem types it is supposed to be **suitable**