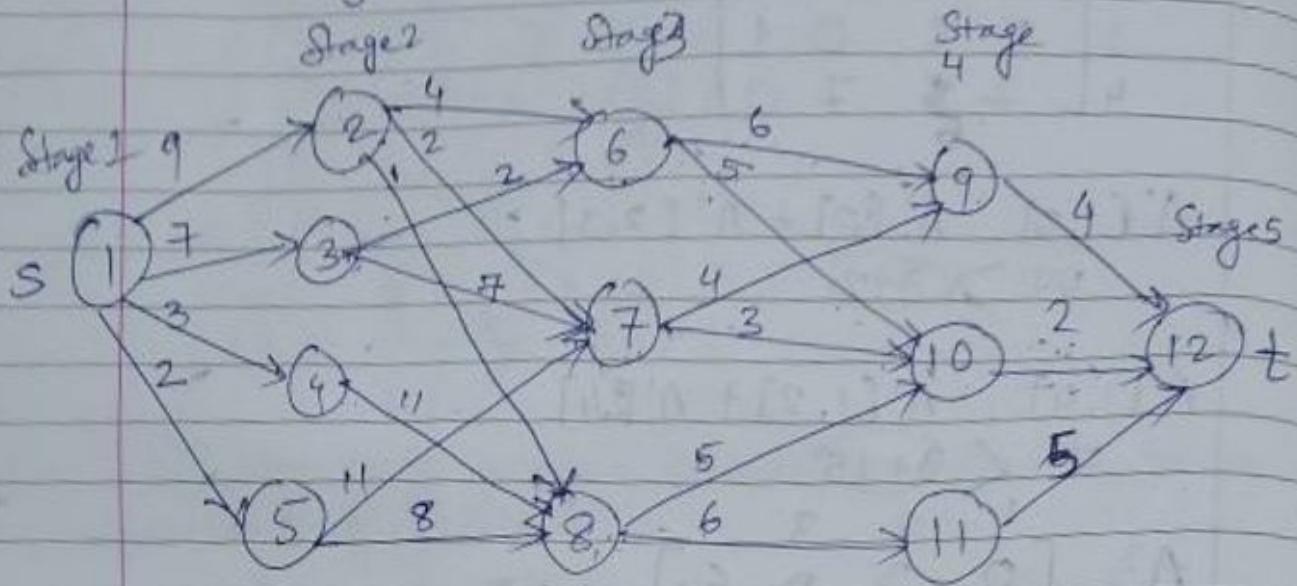


Multistage Graph



V	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Cost	16	7	9	18	15	7	5	7	4	2	5	0
d	2/3	7	6	8	8	10	10	10	12	12	12	12

Stage 5 :-

$$\text{Cost}(5, 12) = 0 \quad (d=12)$$

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Stage Vertex

Stage 4 :-

$$\text{Cost}(4, 9) = 4 \quad | \quad \text{Cost}(4, 10) = 2 \quad | \quad \text{Cost}(4, 11) = 5$$

Stage 3 :- $\hookrightarrow (d=12)$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost}(3, 6) &= \min \{ (\overset{\text{Cost}}{c}(6, 9) + c(4, 9), c(6, 10) + \text{Cost}(4, 10) \} \\ &= \min \{ 6 + 4, 5 + 2 \} \\ &= \min \{ 10, 7 \} = \underline{7} \quad (d=10) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cost}(3, 7) &= \min \{ (\overset{\text{Cost}}{c}(7, 9) + c(4, 9), c(7, 10) + \text{Cost}(4, 10) \} \\ &= \min \{ 4 + 4, 3 + 2 \} \\ &= \min \{ 8, 5 \} \\ &= \underline{5} \quad (d=10) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cost}(3, 8) &= \min \{ C(8, 10) + \text{cost}(4, 10), C(8, 11) + \text{cost}(4, 11) \} \\
 &= \min \{ 5 + 2, 6 + 5 \} \\
 &= \min \{ 7, 11 \} \\
 &= \underline{7} \quad (d=10)
 \end{aligned}$$

For Stage 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cost}(2, 2) &= \min \{ C(2, 6) + \text{cost}(3, 6), C(2, 7) + \text{cost}(3, 7), C(2, 8) + \text{cost}(3, 8) \} \\
 &= \min \{ 4 + 7, 2 + 5, 1 + 7 \} \\
 &= \min \{ 11, 7, 8 \} \\
 &= \underline{7} \quad (d=7)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cost}(2, 3) &= \min \{ C(3, 6) + \text{cost}(3, 6), C(3, 7) + \text{cost}(3, 7) \} \\
 &= \min \{ 2 + 7, 7 + 5 \} \\
 &= \min \{ 9, 12 \} \\
 &= \underline{9} \quad (d=6)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cost}(2, 4) &= \min \{ C(4, 8) + \text{cost}(3, 8) \} \\
 &= 11 + 7 \\
 &= \underline{18} \quad (d=8)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{cost}(2, 5) &= \min \{ C(5, 7) + \text{cost}(3, 7), C(5, 8) + \text{cost}(3, 8) \} \\
 &= \min \{ 11 + 5, 8 + 7 \} \\
 &= \min \{ 16, 15 \} \\
 &= \underline{15} \quad (d=8)
 \end{aligned}$$

Stage 1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cost}(1, 1) &= \min \{ c(1, 2) + \text{cost}(2, 2), \\ &\quad c(1, 3) + \text{cost}(2, 3), \\ &\quad c(1, 4) + \text{cost}(2, 4), \\ &\quad c(1, 5) + \text{cost}(2, 5) \} \\ &= \min \{ 9+7, 7+9, 3+18, 2+15 \} \\ &= \min \{ 16, 16, 21, 17 \} \\ &= 16 \quad (d = 2 \text{ or } 3) \end{aligned}$$

For finding shortest path, [Consider table]

Stage ↓ Vertex No.

$$d(1, 1) = 2, d(2, 2) = 7, d(3, 7) = 10, d(4, 10) = 12$$

Path 1

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Path} &= 1 - 2 - 7 - 10 - 12 \\ &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

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$$d(1, 1) = 3, d(2, 3) = 6, d(3, 6) = 10, d(4, 10) = 12$$

Path 2

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Path} &= 1 - 3 - 6 - 10 - 12 \\ &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

Here, there are 2 optimal solutions.

FORMULA:-

stage ↓ Vertex No.

$$\text{cost}(i, j) = \min_{\substack{\langle j, l \rangle \in E \\ l \in V_{i+1}}} \{ c(j, l) + \text{cost}(i+1, l) \}$$