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Shortest Path

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What is Single Source Shortest Path?

- Single source shortest path is about finding a path between a given vertex (called Source) to all other vertices in a graph such that, the total distance between them (source & destination) is minimum.
- Examples
 - Let's say we have office in 5 different cities and we need to travel from Head office to all other offices.
 - Flight charges between cities are known, what is the cheapest way to reach each office from HQ?

Algorithms: single source shortest path

- Breadth first search
- Depth first search
- Dijkstra
- Bellman Ford

What is BFS

- BFS is an algorithm for traversing Graph data structures. It starts at some arbitrary node of a graph and explores the neighboring nodes (which are at current level) first, before moving to the next level neighbors.
- BFS is can be twisted to find Single Source Shortest Path. We need a extra variable called **Parent** to keep track of path.

Algorithm – Single Source Shortest Path using BFS

BFS-for-SSSP (any starting vertex)

- initialize a Queue

- Create a Parent reference in each node

- Enqueue (Source Vertex)

- do until queue is not empty

 - currentVertex = Dequeue(Vertex)

 - for each adjacent vertices

 - if adjacent vertex is visited

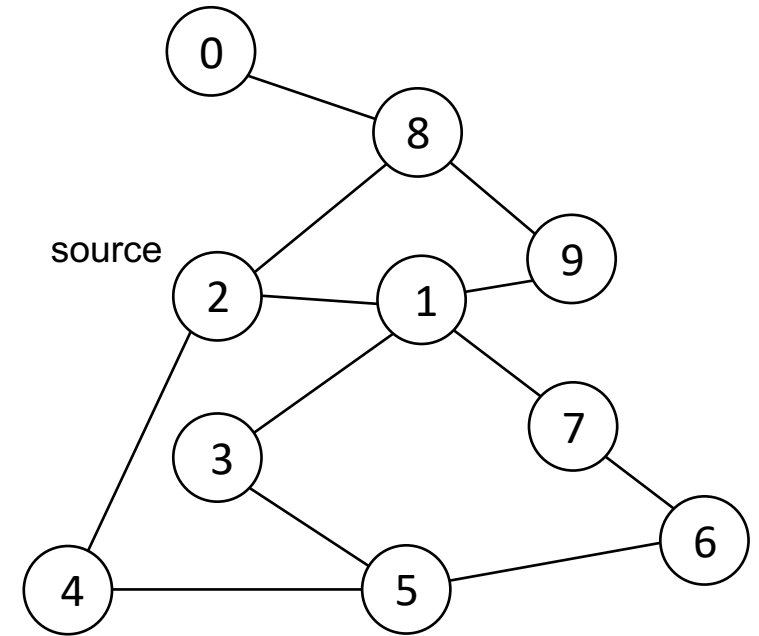
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 - mark currentVertex as visited



QUEUE



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Create a Parent reference in each node	O(1)		
Enqueue (Source Vertex)	O(1)		
do until queue is not empty		O(V)	
currentVertex = Dequeue(Vertex)	O(1)	O(Adj vertex)	O(E)
for each adjacent vertices	O(Adj vertex)		
if adjacent vertex is visited	O(1)		
don't do anything	O(1)		
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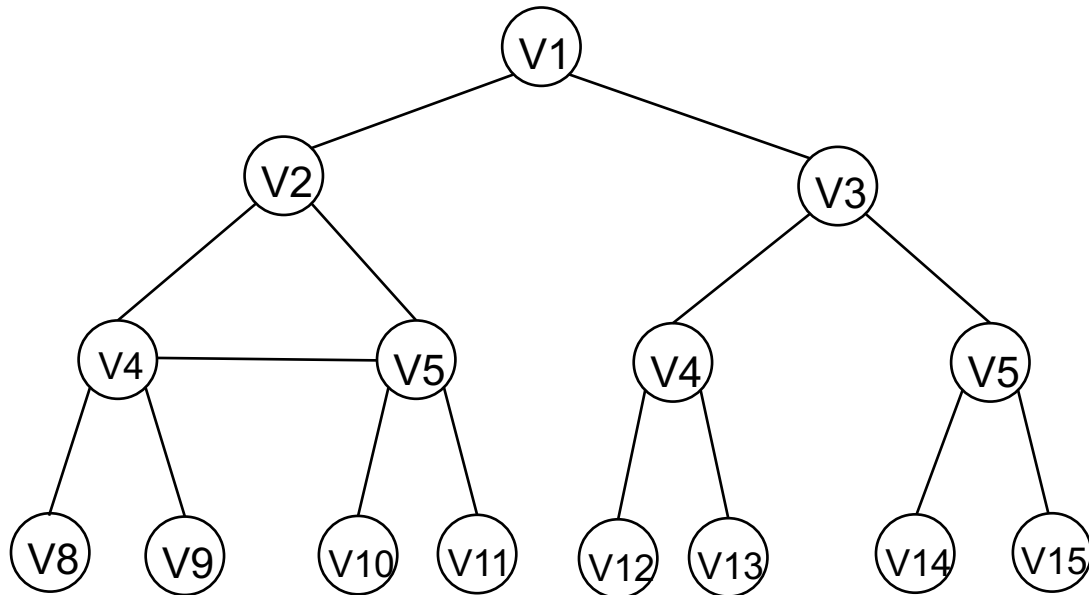
Time complexity: $O(E)$

Single Source Shortest Path Algorithms

Type of Graphs	BFS
unWeighted-unDirected	V
unWeighted-Directed	V
Positive-Weighted-unDirected	X
Positive-Weighted-Directed	X
Negative-Weighted-unDirected	X
Negative-Weighted-Directed	X

Why Weighted Graph does not work with BFS

- BFS explores a given graph only in breath-way. But there can always be a better route, which is not breadth-way.

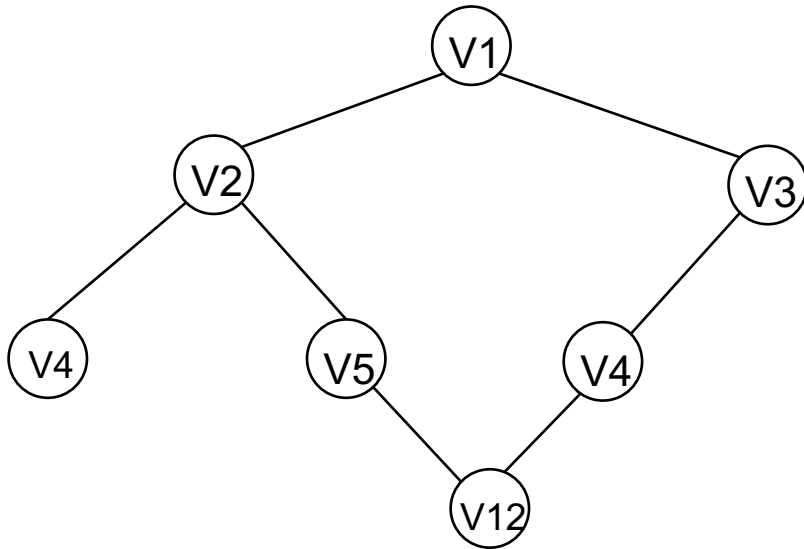


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Why DFS does not work for SSSP

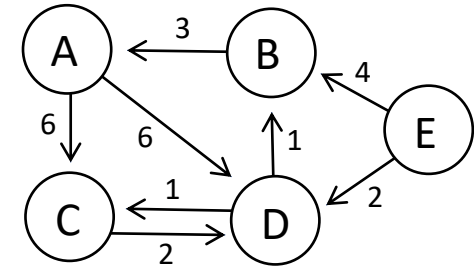
- DFS has the tendency to go as far as possible from source. Hence it can never find Shortest Path



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Algorithms - Dijkstra



Dijkstra()

- set the distance of all the vertices as infinite and source vertex as 0

- Save all the vertices in min-Heap

- do until min-Heap is not empty

 - currentVertex = extract from min-Heap

 - for each neighbor of currentVertex

 - if currentVertex's distance + currentEdge < neighbor's distance

 - update neighbor's distance and parent

Algorithms - Dijkstra

Dijkstra()

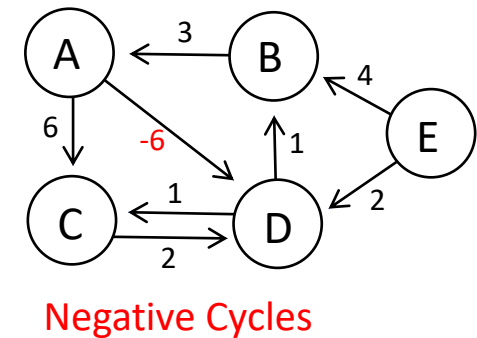
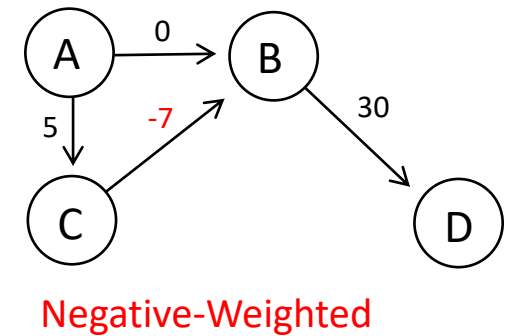
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save all the vertices in min-Heap	_____	$O(V)$
do until min-Heap is not empty		$O(V)$
currentVertex = extract from min-Heap		$O(\log V)$
for each neighbor of currentVertex		$O(V)$
if currentVertex's distance + currentEdge < neighbor's distance		$O(1)$
update neighbor's distance and parent		$O(1)$
		$O(V^2)$

Time complexity: $O(V^2)$

Space complexity: $O(V)$

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Negative-Weighted-Directed	X	X
Negative Cycles	X	X



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Bellman Ford's Algorithm

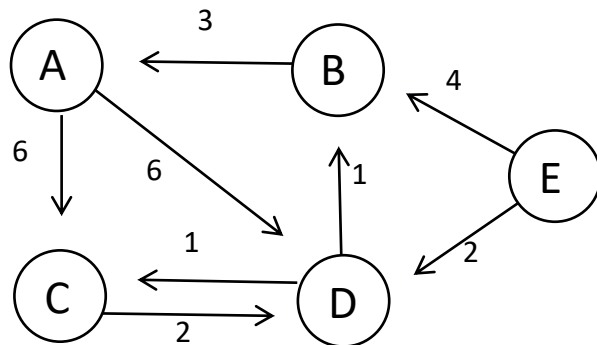
- The Bellman-Ford algorithm is used to find SSSP.
- If a graph contains a “negative cycle” that is reachable from the source, then there is no cheapest path: any path that has a point on the negative cycle can be made cheaper by one more walk around the negative cycle.
- In such a case, the Bellman-Ford algorithm can detect “negative cycles” and report their existence.

Given

Edge	Weight
A>C	6
A>D	6
B>A	3
C>D	2
D>C	1
D>B	1
E>B	4
E>D	2

if (distance of source vertex + current weight between source and destination vertex) < (current distance of destination vertex)
 update distance of destination vertex with (the distance of source vertex + current weight between source and destination vertex)

Distance Matrix	
Vertex	Give Distance
A	∞
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E	0



Final answer

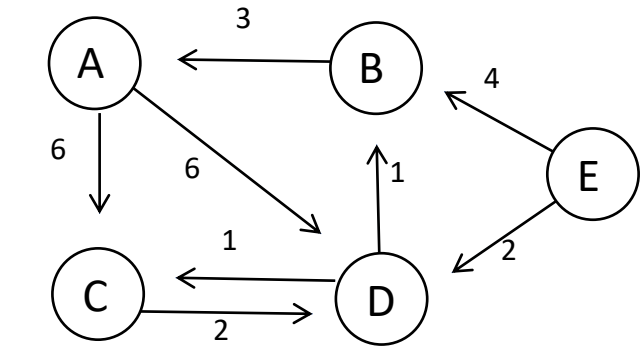
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		Distanc	Parent
A	∞		
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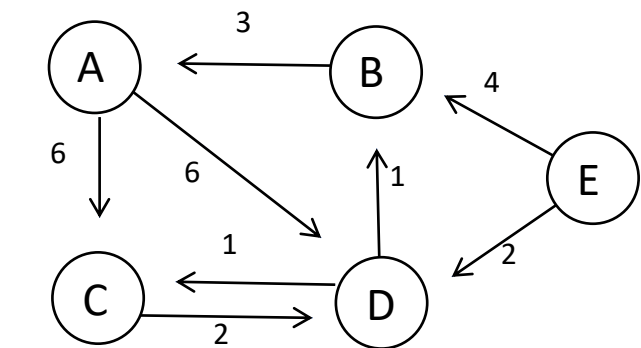
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Distance Matrix					
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		Distanc	Parent	Distanc	Parent
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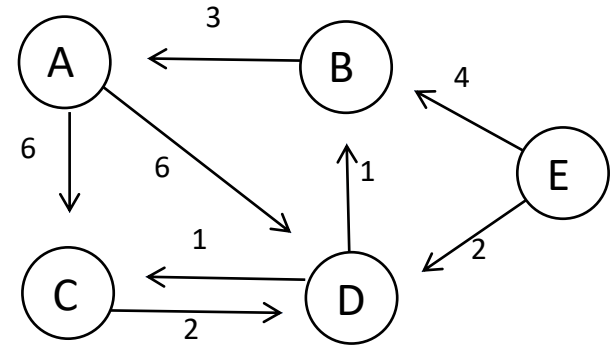
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B	∞	4	E	2+1=3	D
C	∞	∞	-	2+1=3	D
D	∞	2	E	2	E
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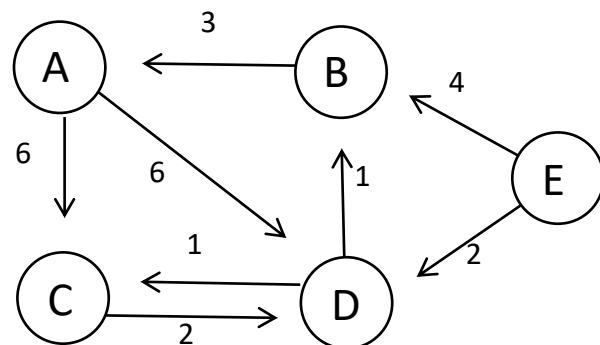
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go (v-1) runs



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Bellman Ford Algorithm

BellmanFord(G)

set all the vertex distance to infinite and source as 0

for 1 to V-1

for each edge(u,v)

if $d(v) > d(u) + w(u,v)$ // if current weight of v is greater
// than current weight of U + current edge

$d(v) = d(u) + w(u,v)$

update parent for 'v'

for each edge (u,v)

if $d(v) \neq d(u) + w(u,v)$

the report existence of negative-weight cycle

print all vertex with distance and parent

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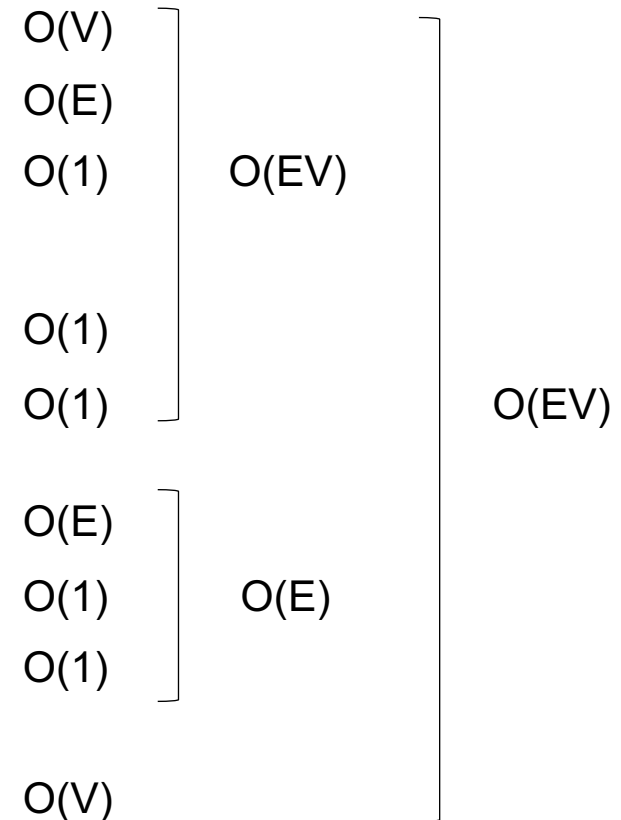
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Negative Cycles	X	X	V (can detect)

When to use which algorithms for SSSP

	BFS	Dijkstra	Bellman Ford
Time Complexity	$O(V^2)$	$O(V^2)$	$O(V \cdot E)$
Implementation	Easy	Moderate	Moderate
Limitation	Does not work for weighted graphs	Does not work for negative-weighted graph / negative circles	N/A
unWeighted Graph	V	V	V
	Use this as Time Complexity is good and easy to implement	Don't use as implementation is not as easy as BFS	Don't use as Time Complexity gets bad
Weighted Graph	X	V	V
	Not supported	Use this as Time Complexity is better than Bellman	Don't use as Time Complexity is not good
Negative Circles	X	X	V
	Not supported	Not supported	Use this as BFS and Dijkstra does not support negative circles