

Home Work #12  
DUE: See Canvas  
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📝 Handwritten assignments will not be accepted.

Start your assignment with the following text provided you can honestly agree with it.

- I certify that every answer in this assignment is the result of my own work; that I have neither copied off the Internet nor from any one else's work; and I have not shared my answers or attempts at answers with anyone else.

1. A weighted graph  $G$  is defined by the following (weighted) adjacency list:

node	$\langle \text{neighbor}, \text{weight} \rangle$
$u$	$\langle (v, 15), (w, 4) \rangle$
$v$	$\langle (y, 3) \rangle$
$w$	$\langle (v, 9), (x, 6), (y, 4) \rangle$
$x$	$\langle (v, 2) \rangle$
$y$	$\langle (x, 3) \rangle$

Trace the execution of  $\text{DIJKSTRA-SSSP}(G, u)$  by filling out the following tables for  $d$  and  $\Pi$ . Each table has one row per node.

In each column, show the value of  $d[\ ]$  and  $\Pi[\ ]$  respectively for that node at the beginning of the while-loop.

Circle the  $d$ -value for the node about to be extracted.

Indicate a node that is no longer in  $Q$  with a — (dash).

Node	$d[\ ]$	$d[\ ]$	...
$u$			
$v$			
$w$			
$x$			
$y$			

  

Node	$\Pi[\ ]$	$\Pi[\ ]$	...
$u$			
$v$			
$w$			
$x$			
$y$			

From the above tables, how would you find the shortest path from  $u$  to  $v$ ?

2. Prove that in Dijkstra's algorithm, once a vertex is returned by EXTRACTMIN (Line 7), no vertex will ever be returned in future iterations with a smaller  $d[]$  value even though some  $d[]$  values decrease in the relaxation step (Line 11).  
(Line numbers are from slide 25/46 in graphs3.pdf.)

3. Professor Flippy claims to have found an algorithm for the SSLSP (single-source longest simple path) problem. That algorithm modifies Dijkstra's algorithm (for SSSP) by flipping the sign in the initialization step (from positive infinity to negative infinity in Line 2), replacing  $>$  by  $<$  in the relaxation step (Line 10), and changing EXTRACTMIN to EXTRACTMAX (Line 7).

(Implementation: replace min-heap by max-heap.)

Show that the professor is incorrect by providing a counter-example: draw a graph and show the execution of the algorithm in each iteration using a table (as in the first question of this homework) and point out the error.

*Note:* A *simple* path means is one in which no vertex is repeated, i.e., the path doesn't traverse a loop.

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