# **Single-Source Shortest Paths**

### **Problem**

The problem of finding shortest paths from a source vertex s to other vertices in the graph

In a weighted graph G = (E, V), find all  $\delta(s, v)$  from a source vertex  $s \in V$  to all vertices  $v \in V$  where

$$w(p) = \sum_{i=1}^k w(\nu_{i-1}, \nu_i)$$
. The **weight**  $w(p)$  of path  $p = \langle \nu_0, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_k \rangle$ 

We define the *shortest-path weight*  $\delta(u, v)$  from u to v by

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

- Bellman-Ford algorithm: works in a graph with negative weights
- Dijkstra's algorithm: works in a graph with non-negative weights

#### **Variants**

- Single destination shortest-paths problem
  - o edge 방향을 반대로 하고 single-source shortest-paths problem을 푼다
- Single-pair shortest-path problem
  - o single-source shortest paths problem을 풀면 그 안에 해가 포함되어 있다.
  - o single-pair shortest path problem만 푸는 알고리즘의 worst-case running time은 가장 좋은 single-source shortest-paths problem의 worst-case running time과 점근적으로 같다
- All-pairs shortest-paths problem
  - 모든 vertices에 대해 single-source shortest-paths problem을 푼다.
     그러나 Floyd-Warshall algorithm과 같이 더 효율적인 방법도 있다

### Optimal substructure of a shortest path

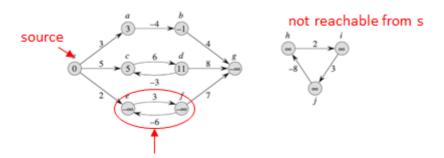
#### Lemma 24.1 (Subpaths of shortest paths are shortest paths)

Given a weighted, directed graph G = (V, E) with weight function  $w : E \to \mathbb{R}$ , let  $p = \langle \nu_0, \nu_1, \dots, \nu_k \rangle$  be a shortest path from vertex  $\nu_0$  to vertex  $\nu_k$  and, for any i and j such that  $0 \le i \le j \le k$ , let  $p_{ij} = \langle \nu_i, \nu_{i+1}, \dots, \nu_j \rangle$  be the subpath of p from vertex  $\nu_i$  to vertex  $\nu_j$ . Then,  $p_{ij}$  is a shortest path from  $\nu_i$  to  $\nu_j$ .

**Proof** If we decompose path p into  $v_0 \overset{p_{0i}}{\leadsto} v_i \overset{p_{ij}}{\leadsto} v_j \overset{p_{jk}}{\leadsto} v_k$ , then we have that  $w(p) = w(p_{0i}) + w(p_{ij}) + w(p_{jk})$ . Now, assume that there is a path  $p'_{ij}$  from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$  with weight  $w(p'_{ij}) < w(p_{ij})$ . Then,  $v_0 \overset{p_{0i}}{\leadsto} v_i \overset{p'_{ij}}{\leadsto} v_j \overset{p_{jk}}{\leadsto} v_k$  is a path from  $v_0$  to  $v_k$  whose weight  $w(p_{0i}) + w(p'_{ij}) + w(p_{jk})$  is less than w(p), which contradicts the assumption that p is a shortest path from  $v_0$  to  $v_k$ .

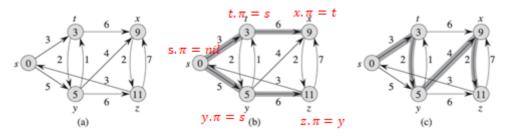
Thus, Dijkstra's algorithm: greedy algorithm, Floyd-Warshall algorithm: dynamic programming

### **Negative-weight edges**



- ullet Graph G에 negative-weight **cycle**이 있으면 shortest-path problem은 well-defined가 아니다
  - o s->e,s->f,s->g 때문
- Bellman-Ford algorithm
  - works in a graph with **negative weights**, unless there is a **negative cycle**
- Dijkstra's algorithm
  - works in a graph with **non-negative weights**

#### **Shortest-paths tree**



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

- 1. V' is the set of vertices reachable from s in G,
- 2. G' forms a rooted tree with root s, and
- 3. for all  $v \in V'$ , the unique simple path from s to v in G' is a shortest path from s to v in G.
- **predecessor subgraph** defined by "v.  $\pi$ : v의 predecessor in shortest-paths tree"와 같다

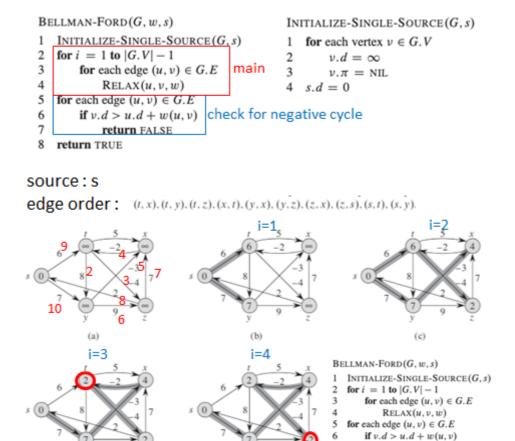
Relax(u, v, w)

#### Relaxation

Update operation of  $v.d(shortest-path\ estimate)$ 

### **Bellman-Ford Algorithm**

- Single source shortest path algorithm
- Unlike Dijkstra's algorithm, edges can have negative weight
- The algorithm returns false when there is a negative cycle



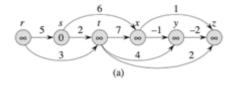
## Topological sort를 이용한 single-source shortest path

• G가 directed acyclic graph일 때(cycle이 없으므로 negative-weight cycle도 없음) 사용 가능

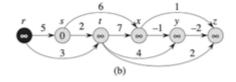
(e)

DAG-SHORTEST-PATHS (G, w, s)

- 1 topologically sort the vertices of G
- 2 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE (G, s)
- 3 for each vertex u, taken in topologically sorted order
- 4 for each vertex  $v \in G.Adj[u]$
- 5 RELAX(u, v, w)



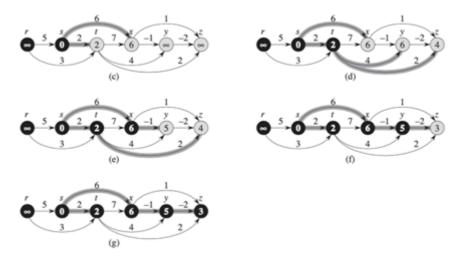
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return FALSE

= O(VE)

return TRUE



## Dijkstra's Algorithm

- ullet used when G has no negative edges
- Greedy Algorithm

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\begin{aligned} & \text{MST-PRIM}(G, w, r) \\ & 1 \quad \text{for each } u \in G.V \\ & 2 \quad \quad u.key = \infty \\ & 3 \quad \quad u.\pi = \text{NIL} \\ & 4 \quad r.key = 0 \\ & 5 \quad Q = G.V \\ & 6 \quad \text{while } Q \neq \emptyset \\ & 7 \quad \quad u = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q) \\ & 8 \quad \quad \text{for each } v \in G.Adf[u] \\ & 9 \quad \quad \text{if } v \in Q \text{ and } w(u, v) < v.key \\ & 10 \quad \qquad v.\pi = u \\ & 11 \quad \qquad v.key = w(u, v) \end{aligned}
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DIJKSTRA(G, w, s)
1 INITIALIZE-SINGLE-SOURCE(G, s)
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2 S = \emptyset

3 Q = G.V : BUILD\_MIN\_HEAP() : O(V)

4 while Q \neq \emptyset

5 u = \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q) \leftarrow greedy choice : V \times O(\lg V)

6 S = S \cup \{u\}

7 for each vertex v \in G.Adj[u]

8 RELAX(u, v, w) : DECREASE\_KEY() : E \times O(\lg V)
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priority queue 가 binary min heap 으로 구현된 경우 running time (refer to chapter 5) =  $O((V+E) \lg V)$ 

