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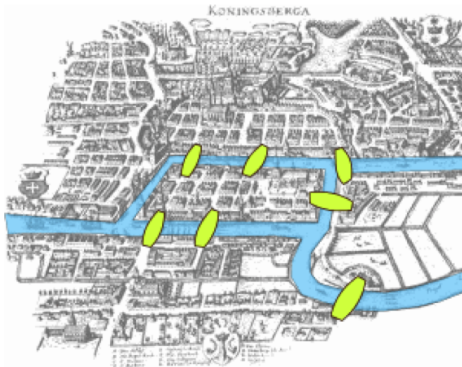
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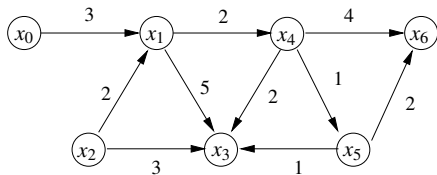
SOLUTION A set $\{P_u, u \in V\}$, where P_u is the shortest path in G from s to u .

Shortest paths

- ▶ Let $N = (G, W)$ be a positive length graph, let $x \in V$
- ▶ We define the map $L_x : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$ by:

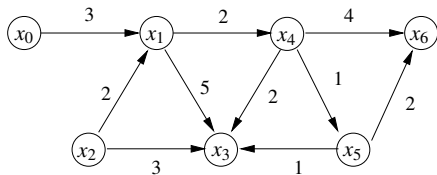
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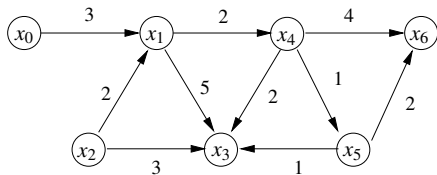
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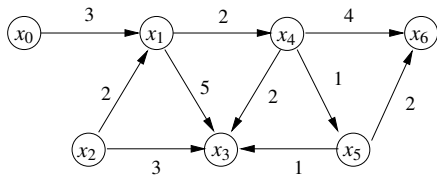
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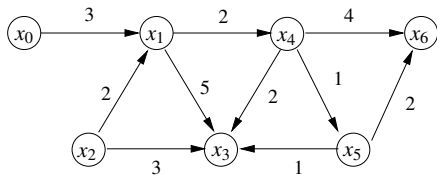
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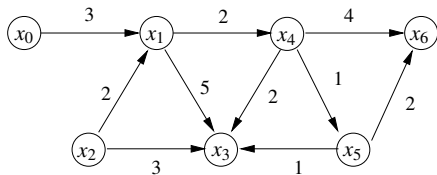
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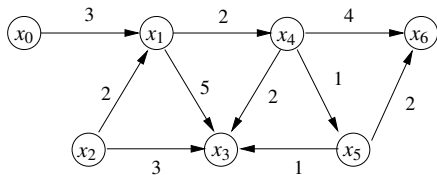
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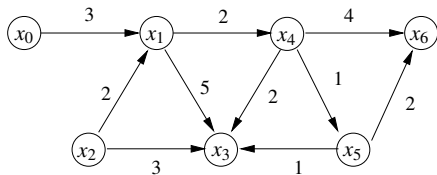
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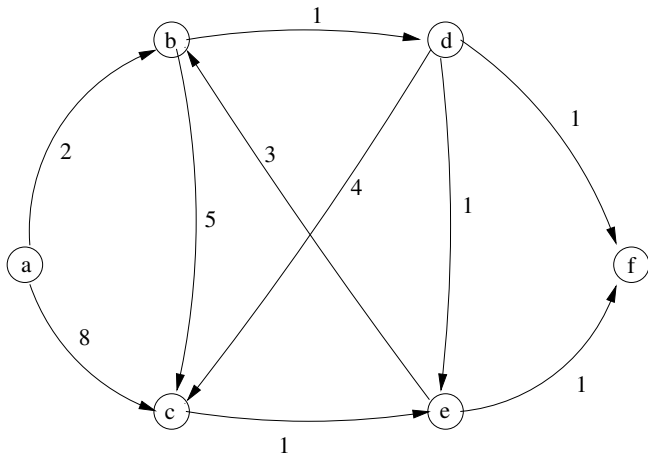
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- Exercise. Execute “by hand” Dijkstra algorithm on the following network with $x = a$, and on any positive length network of your choice



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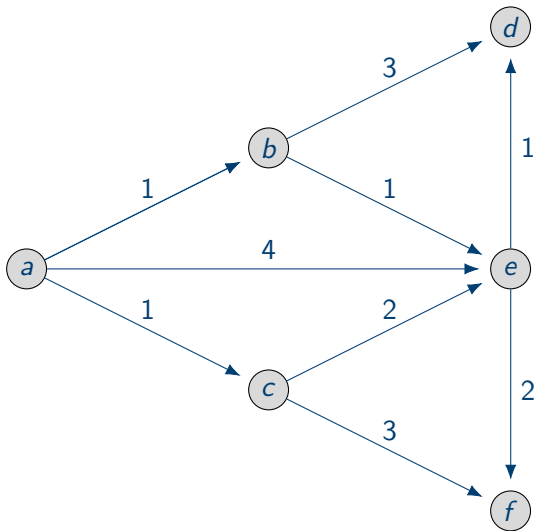
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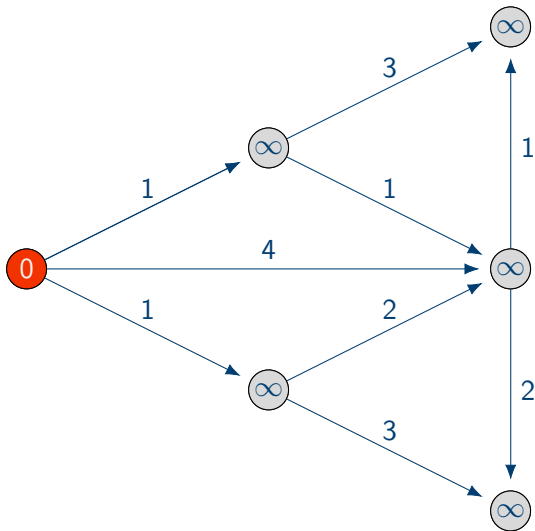
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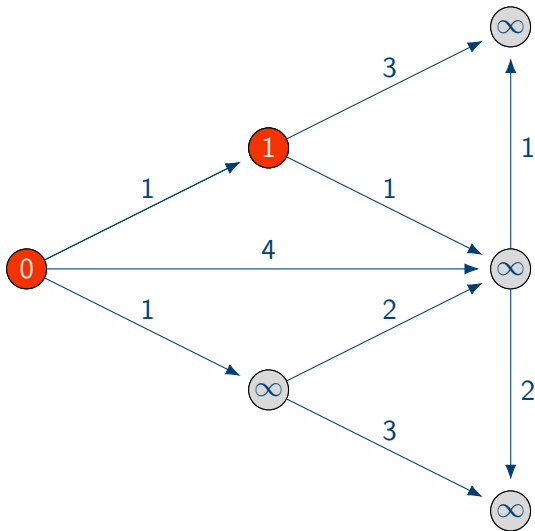
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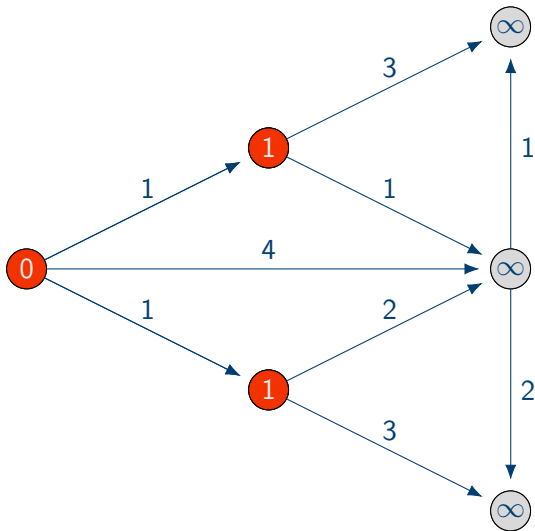
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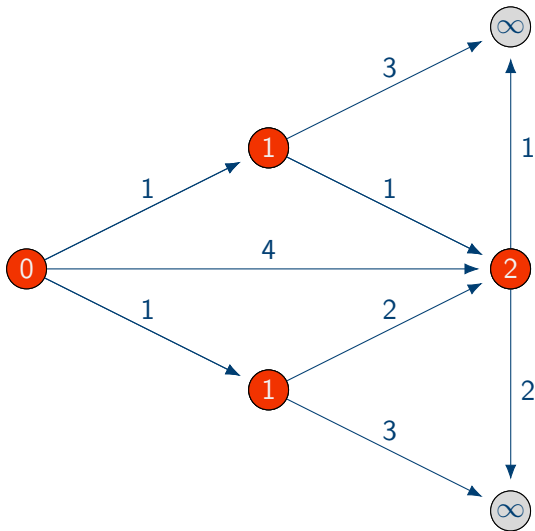
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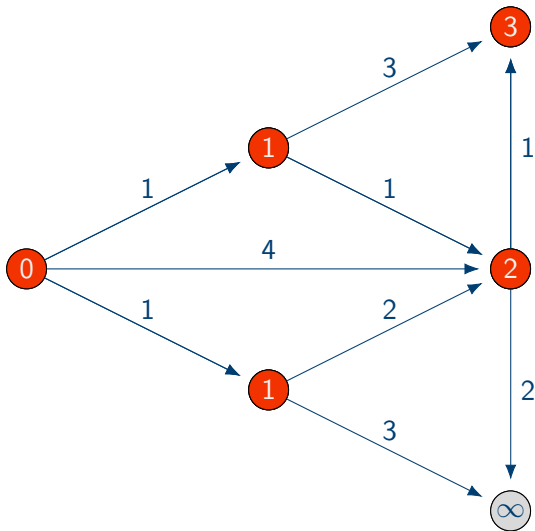
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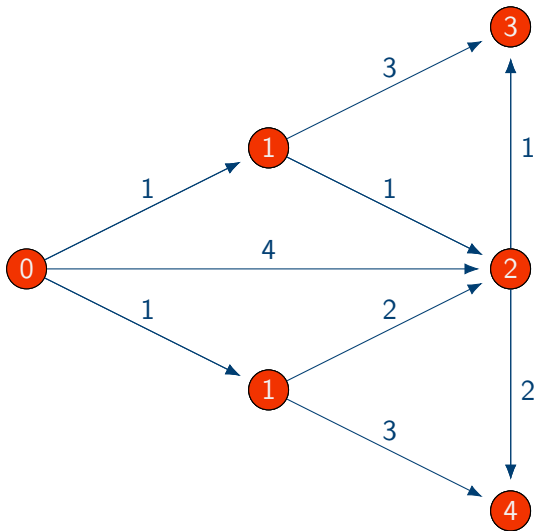
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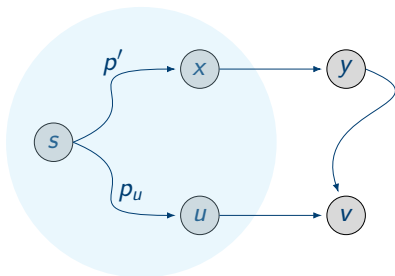


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The alternate $s - v$ path P through x and y already too long by the time it had left the set S

Comments about Dijkstra's Algorithm

- ▶ Algorithm cannot handle negative edge lengths.
- ▶ Union of shortest paths output form a tree. Why?

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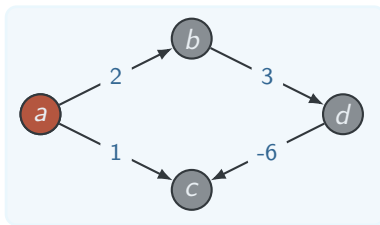
SHORTEST PATHS

INSTANCE A directed graph $G(V, E)$, a function $l : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and a node $s \in V$

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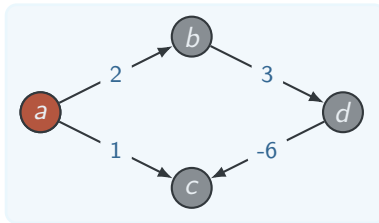
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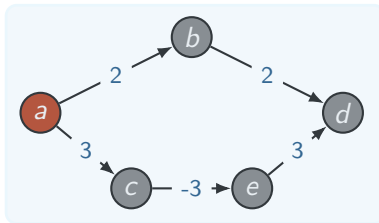


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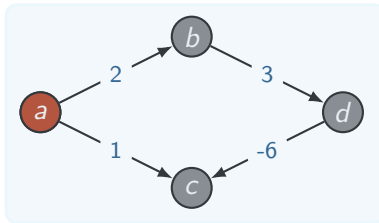


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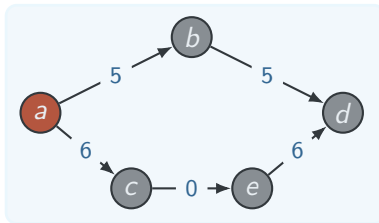


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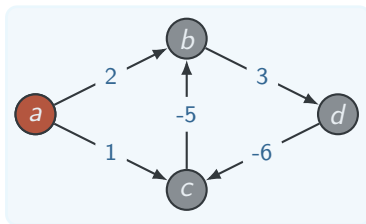


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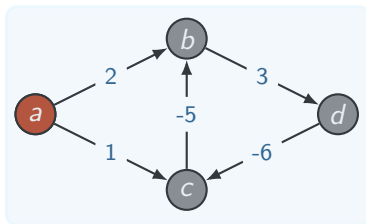
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The Bellman-Ford algorithm is a way to find single source shortest paths in a graph with negative edge weights (but no negative cycles).

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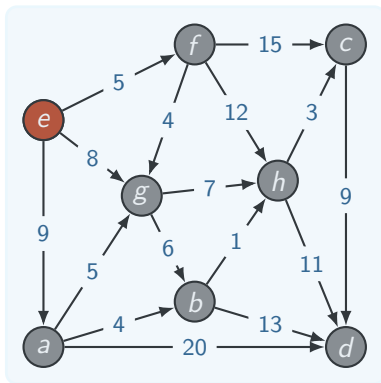
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