

## Tom-Tom: smart routing

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# Recap

## Last weeks' message (or *leerdoelen*)

- Knowing some algorithms.
- Going from algorithm to its  $T$ .
- Estimating from above and below this  $T$ .
- Doing some math (recurrences and so on).
- Knowing difference between worse case and average case and best case.
- Knowing what is P/NP (more about this in the werkcollege this week).

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- in practice, this class does not add much to your *leerdoelen* (it is about *consolidate*).



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Can think of weights as representing any measure that

- accumulates linearly along a path,
- we want to minimize.
- Examples: time, cost, penalties, loss.

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## Shortest-path weight $u$ to $v$

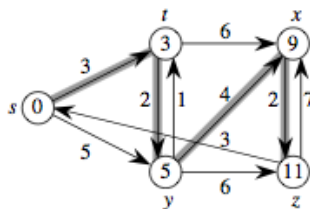
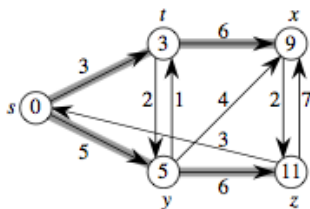
$$\delta(u, v) = \begin{cases} \min\{w(p) \mid u \xrightarrow{p} v\} & \text{if there exists a path from } u \text{ to } v \\ \infty & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Shortest path  $u$  to  $v$  is any path  $p$  such that  $w(p) = \delta(u, v)$ .





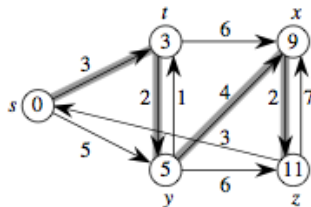
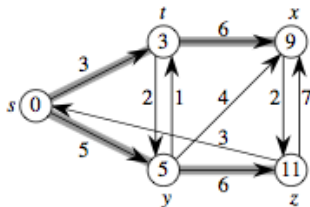
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- This example shows that the shortest path might not be unique.
- It also shows that when we look at shortest paths from one vertex to all other vertices, the shortest paths are organized as a tree.

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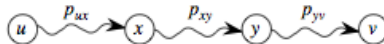


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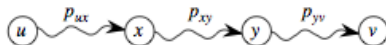


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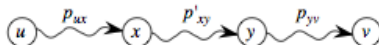
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Now, suppose there exists a shorter path from  $x$  to  $y$ , say  $p'_{xy}$ .

Then  $w(p'_{xy}) < w(p_{xy})$ . Construct  $p'$ :



and observe:

$$w(p') = w(p_{ux}) + w(p'_{xy}) + w(p_{yv}) < w(p_{ux}) + w(p_{xy}) + w(p_{yv}) = w(p).$$

So  $p$  was not a shortest path after all!

# Some properties of shortest paths

## Lemma (Triangle inequality)

*For all  $(u, v) \in E$ , we have  $\delta(s, v) \leq \delta(s, u) + w(u, v)$ .*

## Proof.

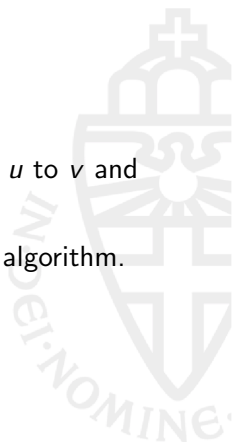
Weight of shortest path  $s$  to  $v$  is  $\leq$  than the weight of any path  $s$  to  $v$ . Path  $s$  to  $v$  via  $u$  is a path  $s$  to  $v$ , and if we use a shortest path  $s$  to  $u$ , its weight is  $\delta(s, u) + w(u, v)$ . □

# Calculating shortest path: Dijkstra's algorithm

**Goal:** Compute shortest path between  $u$  and  $v$ .

An obvious strategy: brute force. Build all paths from  $u$  to  $v$  and then select the shortest.

We will now see a more efficient algorithm: Dijkstra's algorithm.



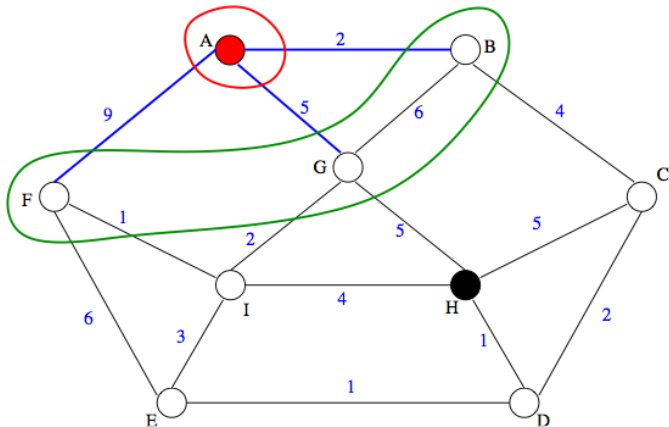
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- Very similar to Prim's algorithm for minimal search trees.
- In each step it selects a node from the immediate neighborhood to add to the tree that is building.
- The algorithm constructs longer and longer paths, organized in a tree, from  $u$  until it finds  $v$ .
- Have two sets of vertices:  
 $S$  = vertices whose final shortest-path weights are determined,  $Q$  = priority queue =  $V \setminus S$ .





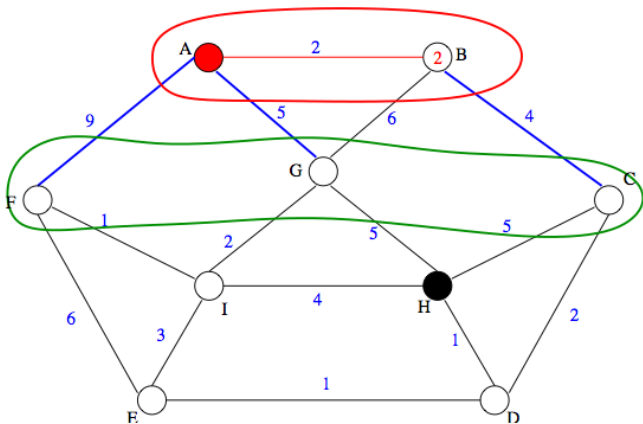
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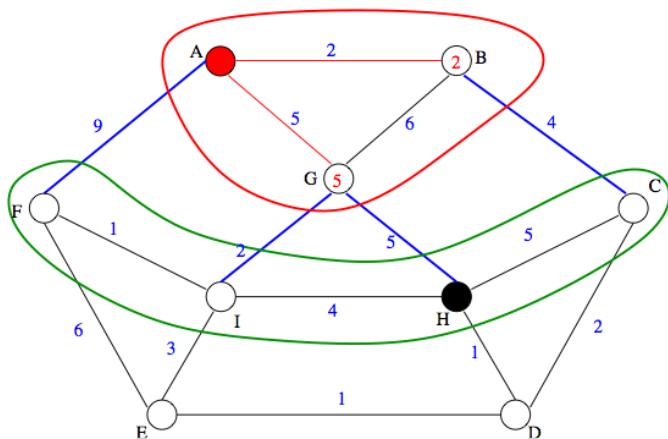
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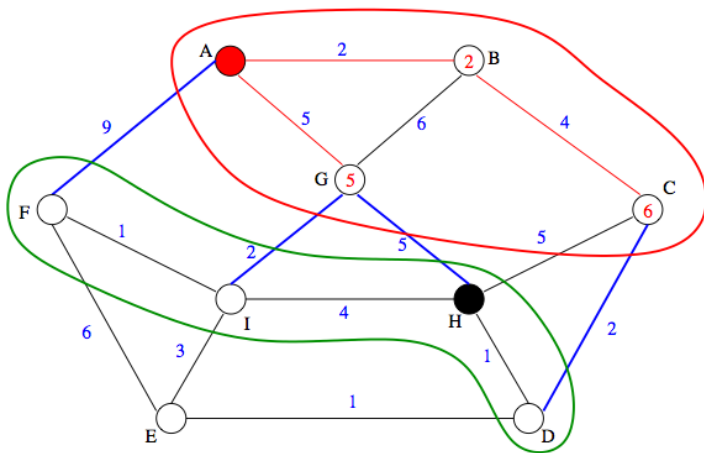
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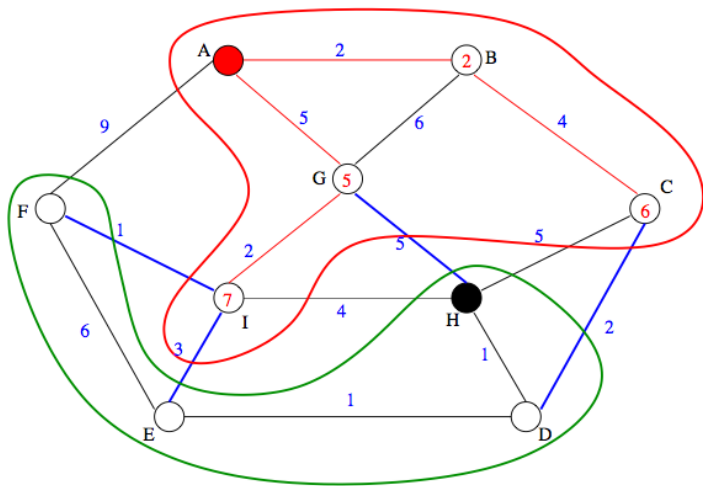
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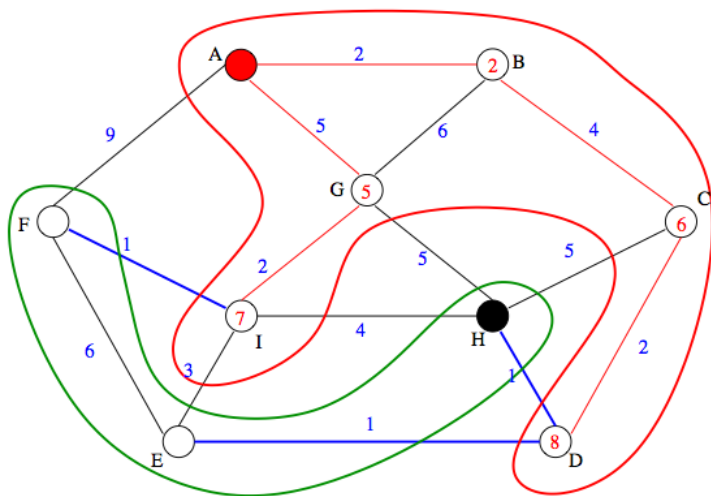


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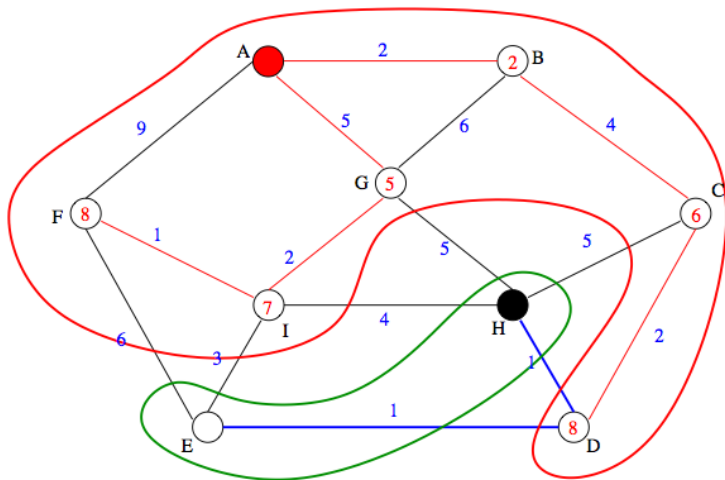


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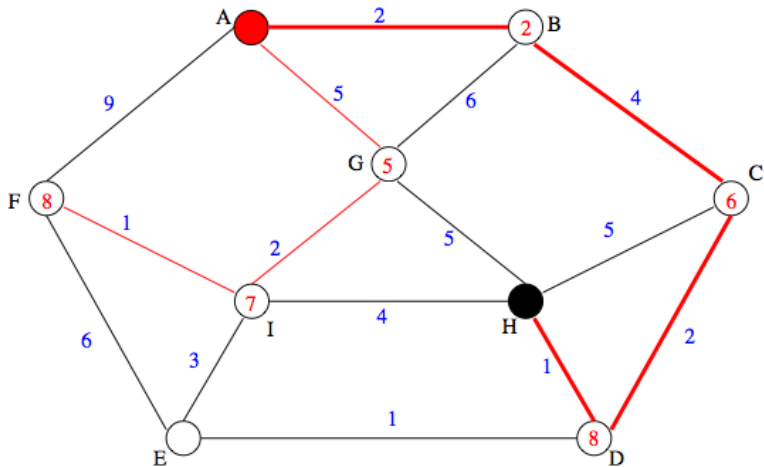


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# Break



**Samen houden we het  
studentenleven draaiende,  
word bestuurslid!**

**19 T/M 23 MAART: WEEK VAN HET STUDENTBESTUUR**

Woensdag 21 maart: Open Kamerdag

Donderdag 22 maart: Besturen iets voor jou!  
Voorlichtingsbijeenkomst  
CC5 > 12.30 - 13.30 uur

# Dijkstra's algorithm: pseudocode

```
DIJKSTRA( $V, E, w, s$ )  
INIT-SINGLE-SOURCE( $V, s$ )  
 $S \leftarrow \emptyset$   
 $Q \leftarrow V$        $\triangleright$  i.e., insert all vertices into  $Q$   
while  $Q \neq \emptyset$   
    do  $u \leftarrow \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$   
         $S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$   
        for each vertex  $v \in \text{Adj}[u]$   
            if  $d[v] > d[u] + w(u, v)$   
                then  $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$   
                     $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
```

- Init creates 2 arrays:  $d$  and  $\pi$ .  
 $d[v]$  contains (in the end)  $\delta(s, v)$  and  $\pi$  is the parent relation.
- Note that the **while** loop iterates  $|V|$  times.
- for each vertex in the adjacency of  $u$  we check if we can improve the shortest path we have so far to  $v$  by going via  $u$ .

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We could use a more efficient data structure. For instance, a heap in which computing the min takes  $O(1)$  time. And then redo the analysis above!

# Shortest vs. longest simple paths

- We saw that we can find shortest paths from a single source in a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  in  $O(|E| \lg |V|)$  time.
- Finding a longest simple path between two vertices is difficult, however. Merely determining whether a graph contains a simple path with at least a given number of edges is NP-complete.

# Variants of shortest path

- **Single-source:** Find shortest paths from a given source vertex  $s \in V$  to every vertex  $v \in V$ . This can be solved with a variation of Dijkstra's algorithm.
- **Single-destination:** Find shortest paths to a given destination vertex. This can be solved with the same algorithm as **Single-source** (just flip the edges of the graph).
- **All-pairs:** Find shortest path from  $u$  to  $v$  for all  $u, v \in V$ .

**Single-source** and **Single-destination** are in the same  $O$  class as Dijkstra's algorithm. **All pairs** can be solved more efficiently (but that's for another time!).



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- Next week this will be a *questions' class*
  - I will show what the *toetsmatrix* looks like for the exam



# The end

