

# 4.4. Shortest Path

Single Source shortest path

$$G = (V, E)$$

$l(e)$ : cost of each edge.

$$l((1,2)) = 1$$

$$l((1,3)) = 2$$

Goal: find shortest path from  $S$  to all other nodes.

Dijkstra's alg:

$X$ : explored nodes,

(shortest paths are known)

$d[u]$

cost of min path from  $S$  to  $u$  via  $X$

$S \rightsquigarrow u$

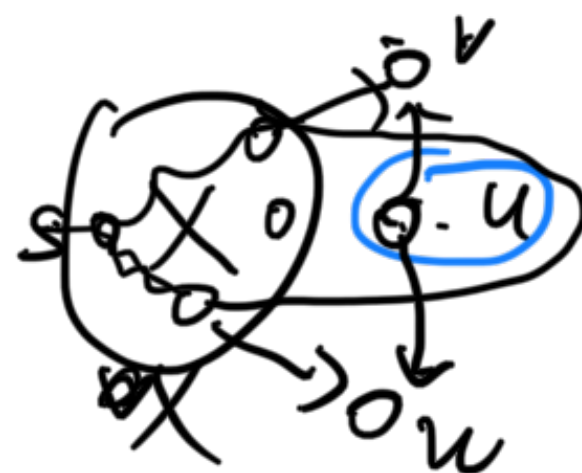
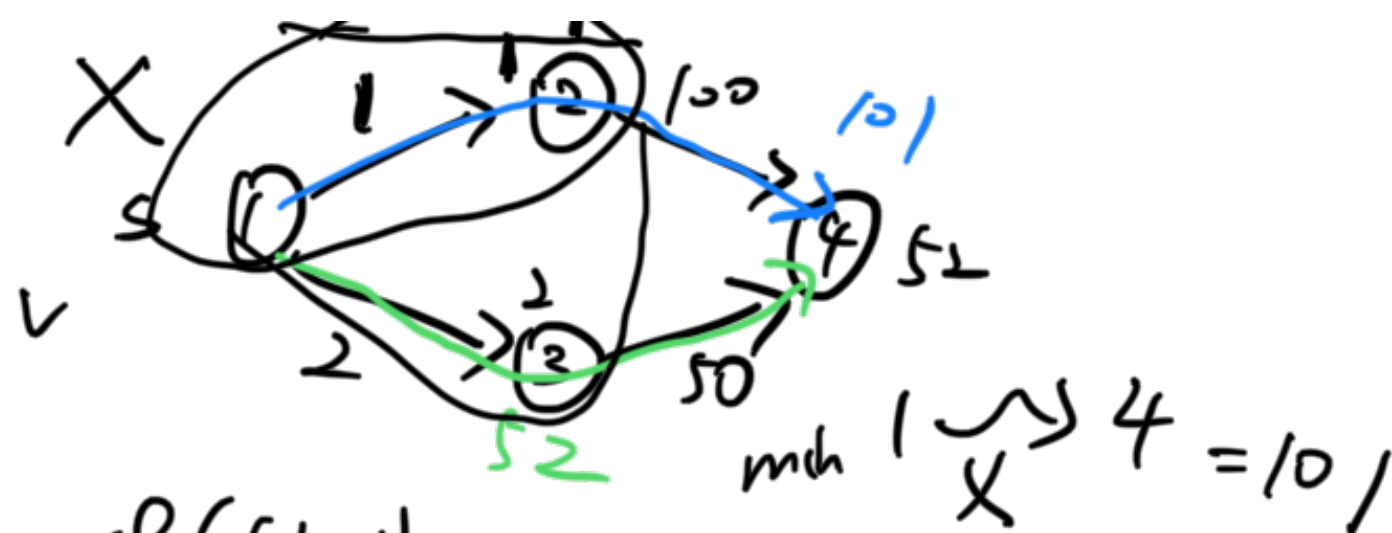
To increase  $X$

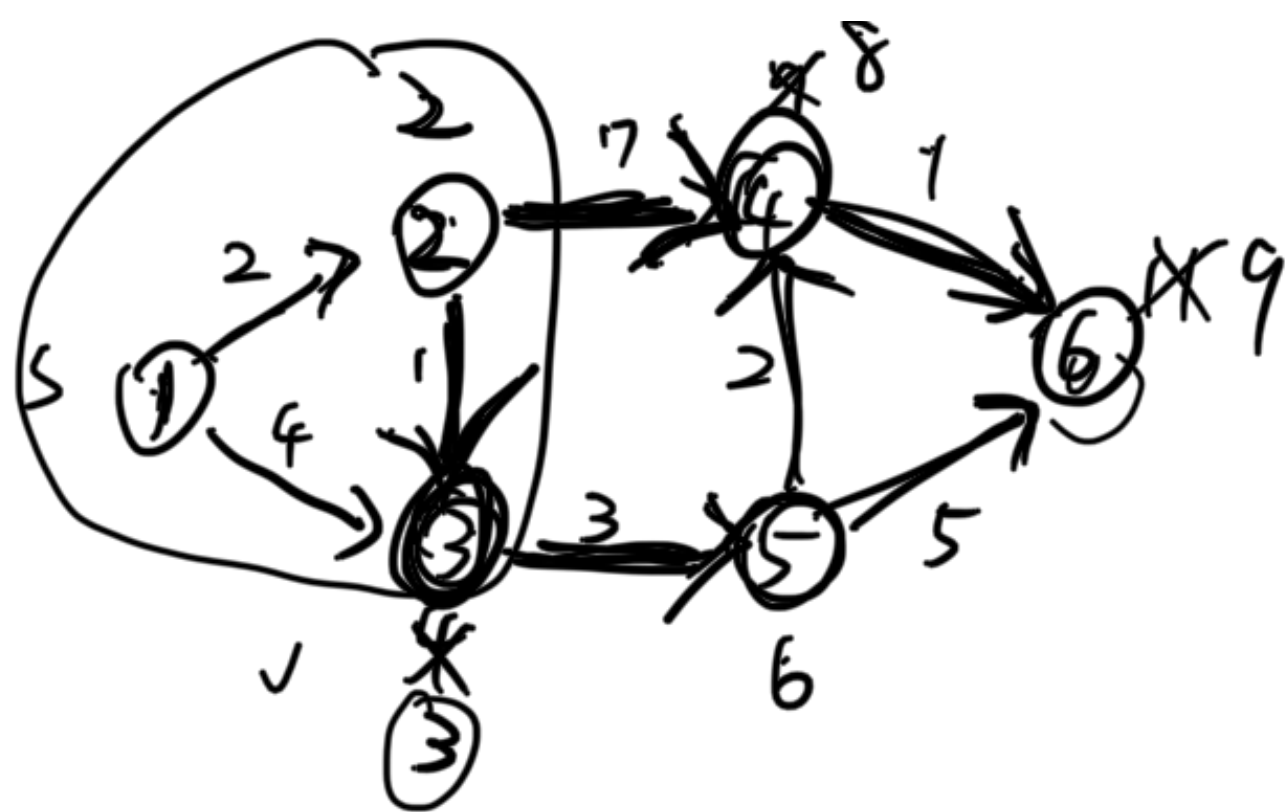
① Find  $u$  with min  $d[u]$

② Add  $u$  to  $X$

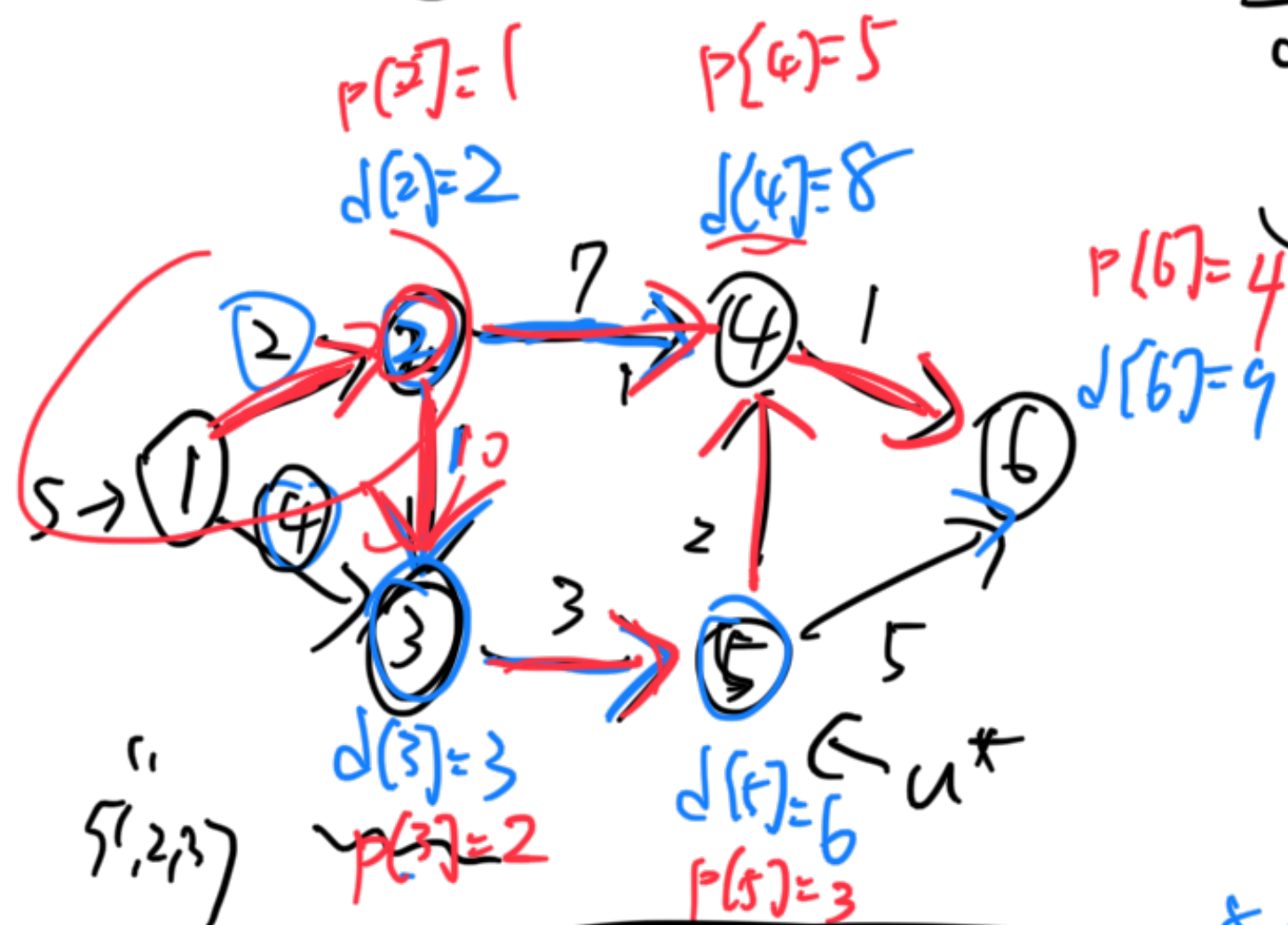
$\forall v$  in neighbor( $u$ )

$$d[v] = \min \{ d[v], d[u] + l(u,v) \}$$





	$X=\{1\}$	$X=\{1,2\}$	$X=\{1,2,3\}$	$X=\{1,2,3,4\}$
$d[1]$	0			
$d[2]$	2			
$d[3]$	4	3		
$d[4]$	$\infty$	9	9	8
$d[5]$	$\infty$	$\infty$	6	
$d[6]$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	11
	pick 2	pick 3	pick 6	pick 4



$X$  : set of nodes with known shortest path.



$V-X = \{4, 5, 6\}$

$u$  is with smallest  $d(u)$  value  
 $\Rightarrow d(u)$  is the shortest  $s \rightarrow u$  path.

Dijkstra's alg:

Initial  $X = \{s\}$  .  $d[u] = \begin{cases} \ell(s, u) & \text{if } (s, u) \in E \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$





Heap  $Q = \{d(u) \mid u \in V\}$

for  $i = 1 \dots n-1$

$u^* \leftarrow \underset{u \in V-X}{\operatorname{argmin}} d(u)$

$Q.\operatorname{pop}()$   
if  $u^* = s$

$\dots O(\log n)$

$Q.\operatorname{updatevalue} \dots O(\log n)$

$O(\operatorname{outdegree}(u^*))$  { for each  $v$  with  $(u^*, v) \in E$   
if  $\underline{d(u^*) + l(u^*, v)} < d[v]$  :  $d[v] = d[u^*] + l(u^*, v)$ .  
 $p[v] = u^*$

add  $u^*$  to  $X$ .  
 $u^* \in V-X$

$\Rightarrow$  Thm:  $u$  is the unexplored node with min  $d$   
 $\Rightarrow d[u]$  is the shortest path  $s \rightsquigarrow u$ .

pf:  $d[u]$ : shortest  $s \rightsquigarrow u$  path through  $X$ .

for any other path  $P$   $s \rightsquigarrow u$  through another node  $w \in V-X$

$P: s \rightsquigarrow y \rightarrow w \rightsquigarrow u$   
 $y \in X$   $w \in V-X$



$$l(P) = l(s \rightsquigarrow y) + l(y \rightarrow w) + l(w \rightsquigarrow u)$$

$$\geq \underline{l(s \rightsquigarrow y) + l(y \rightarrow w)} \geq d[w]$$

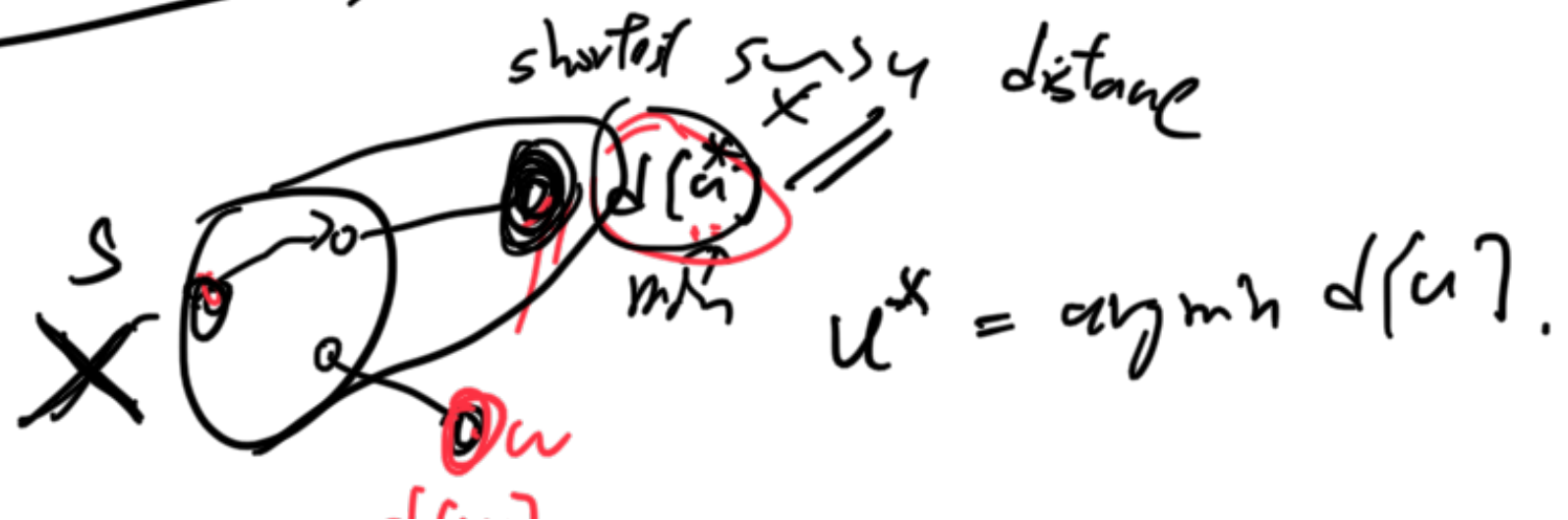
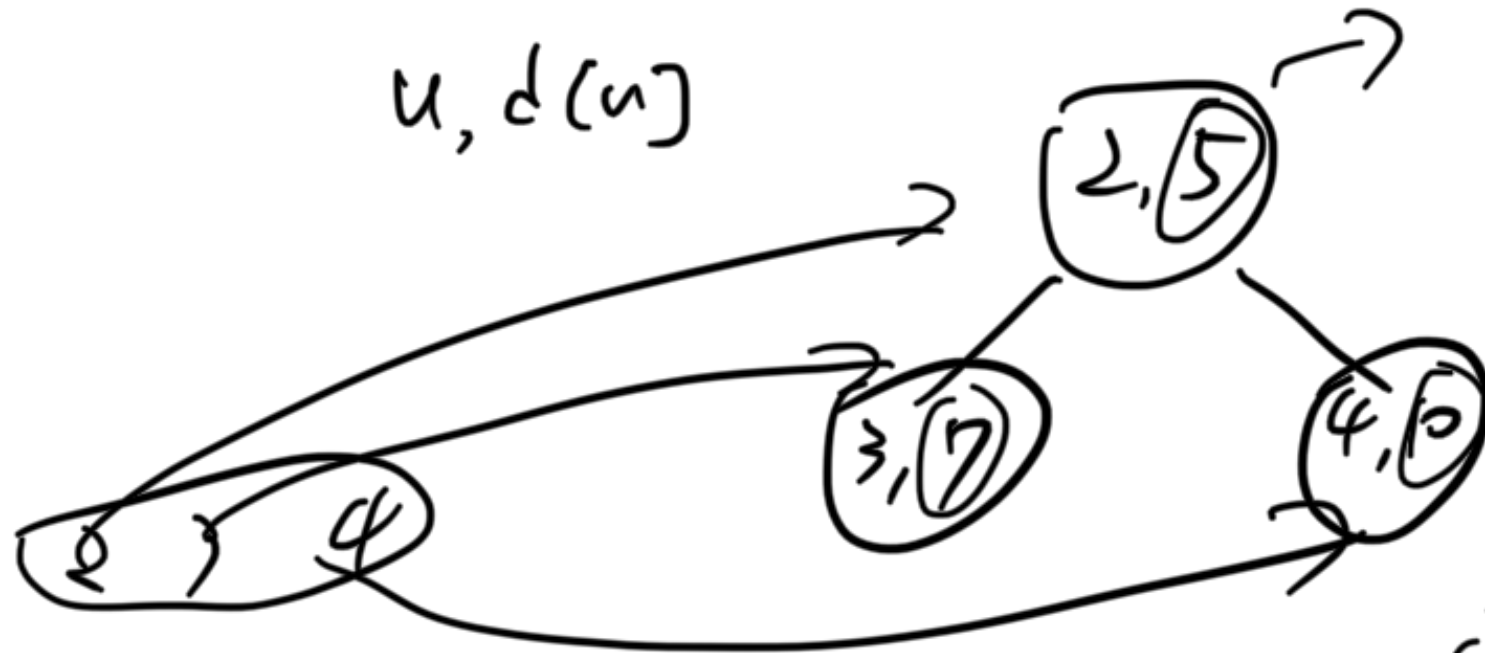
since  $d(u)$  is min  $\Rightarrow d[u] \leq d[w]$   
 $\leq l(P)$   
min  $\downarrow$   $s \rightsquigarrow u$  path via  $X$ .

Implementation:

- Heap to store  $d(u) \forall u \in V - X$ .  
 $n$  pops.  $m$  update value.  $n$  push.

totally  $O(n \log n + m \log n + n \log n)$   
 $= O(m \log n)$

- Use Fibonacci heap  $\Rightarrow O(n \log n + m + n)$   
 $= O(n \log n + m)$ .
- $\left( \begin{array}{l} O(1) \text{ push} \\ O(\log n) \text{ pop} \\ O(1) \text{ update value} \end{array} \right)$



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