## 1. (2 points) Notes of Discussion

I promise that I will complete this QUIZ independently and will not use any electronic products or paper-based materials during the QUIZ, nor will I communicate with other students during this QUIZ.

True or False: I have read and understood the notes.  $\sqrt{\text{True}}$  () False

## 2. (6 points) True or False

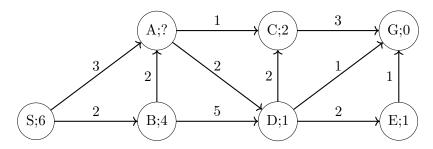
Note: You should write down your answers in the box below.

(a)	(b)	(c)
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- (a) (2') For any graph, if we run one additional iteration (|V|-th iteration) in Bellman-Ford algorithm, it will not make any change to **dist** array.
- (b) (2') In A\* graph search algorithm, if vertex u is marked visited before v, then  $dist[u] \leq dist[v]$ , where dist[u] represents the real distance from start vertex to u.
- (c) (2') Given an undirected graph G = (V, E) with **positive integer** weights  $\{w_e\}_{e \in E}$ , we can modify the weights from  $w_e$  to  $w_e + \frac{1}{|V|}$  for all edges  $e \in E$ . Then we can obtain a new graph G' such that the shortest paths in G' are the same as the shortest paths with the minimum number of edges in G.

# 3. (5 points) A\* Algorithm

Suppose we are running A\* graph search algorithm on the graph below, where S is the start vertex and G is the goal vertex. The heuristic function of each vertex is written inside the node.



- (a) (2') Now h(A) is unknown. For what value(s) of h(A) will this graph be *consistent* and thus A\* graph search will be guaranteed to return the optimal path? h(A) = 3.
- (b) (3') Choose and write down (one of) the possible heuristic you answered in (a). What is the order of the vertices being marked visited when we run A\* graph search algorithm? Assume we break ties in alphabetical order, and we stop the algorithm once the goal is marked visited.

Solution: h(A) = 3. S,A,B,C,D,G

### 4. (7 points) Odd-Edge Shortest Path

Given a **directed** graph G = (V, E), you need to find the shortest path from s to t that consists of an odd number of edges.

### Input:

- G = (V, E), where  $V = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ ,  $E = \{(u_i, v_i, w_i > 0) : i = 1, 2, ..., m\}$ .
- The start point s and the end point t.

## Output:

- The edge weights sum of the shortest path from s to t that consists of an odd number of edges.
- If no such path return -1.

**Note:** In this question, you **don't** need to prove the correctness. You **need** to analyze the time complexity of your algorithm and ensure it **does not** exceed  $O((|V| + |E|) \log |V|)$  to get full credits.

**Hint:** For this question, **don't** waste too much time trying to modify Dijkstra's Algorithm. Instead, try to create a new graph G' and run Dijkstra's Algorithm on the new graph G'.

#### **Solution:**

- In the new graph, duplicate all vertices  $v_i$ , represented by  $v_i^1$  and  $v_i^2$ . (1 pts)
- For edge  $e_i = (u_i, v_i, w_i)$ , create edges  $(u_i^1, v_i^2, w_i)$  and  $(u_i^2, v_i^1, w_i)$  in the new graph. (2 pts)
- Run Dijkstra on the new graph from  $s^1$  to  $t^2$ . If  $d(s^1, t^2)$  equals to  $\infty$ , return -1, otherwise return  $d(s^1, t^2)$ . (2 pts)
- Duplicating vertices and creating new edges need O(n+m) in total. G' has 2n points and 2m edges. Therefore, the time complexity of Dijkstra is  $O((2n+2m)\log n)$ . The overall time complexity is  $O((n+m)\log n) \sim O((|V|+|E|)\log |V|)$ . (2 pts)