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Single-Source Shortest Paths

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Given a weighted digraph: $G = (V, E)$ + weight function
 $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

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Given a path consisting of a bunch of vertices: $\langle v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k \rangle$
 Weight of the path is the sum of the weight of the edges between the vertices:

$$w(p) = \sum_{i=1}^k w(v_{i-1}, v_i)$$

shortest-path weight from u to v by

$$\delta(u, v) = \begin{cases} \min\{w(p): u \xrightarrow{p} v\} & \text{if path from } u \text{ to } v \text{ exists,} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

Shortest path is ANY path s.t. $w(p) = \delta(u, v)$ & $p: u \rightarrow v$

BFS - shortest path for unweighted graph - counts # hops

Problem given $G = (V, E)$ & $\text{src} \in V$, find shortest path $p(\text{src}, v)$
 $\forall v \in V$.

① Optimal substructure:

Given u, t , where

A shortest path is composed of shortest sub-paths.

Thus, given a shortest path, pick a point on it, and that subpath

② Negative-weight edges

Might make sense (tech development map), might not (MapQuest)

③ Cycles - the shortest path will never contain a cycle

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A cycle w/ net negative weight leaves shortest path unch.
 A cycle w/ net positive wt. would be pointless to follow

How To Represent? (Note that above def.s focus on shortest vs length/ #)

↳ often a good idea to piggy-back on existing structure, using predecessor field. We can reuse this field when convenient.

Single Source \rightarrow Multiple Nodes will create a shortest-paths tree

- rooted at $s \in V$

- $G' = (V', E')$ $V' \subseteq V$, $E' \subseteq E$ s.t.

V' is the set of all vertices reachable from s in G

G' forms a rooted tree w/ root s

$\forall v \in V' \exists p: s \rightsquigarrow v$ in G' , $w(p) = \min$

However, in order to incrementally build a tree, we'll need to also store dist info.

Init(G, s)

foreach $v \in G.V$

$v.dist = \infty$

$v.pred = \text{null}$

$s.dist = 0$

Relax(vertex v , vertex u)

if $v.dist > u.dist + \text{weight}(u, v)$

$v.dist = u.dist + \text{weight}(u, v)$

$v.pred = u$

Note: $\infty + x = \infty$

Algorithms will keep current best known guess @ each node,
 then repeatedly update if better path is revealed

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graph LR
    G[Graph]
    V[Vertices]
    E[Edges]
    Init[Init(G, s)]
    Relax[Relax(v, u)]
    Update[Update(G, V, E, s, v, u)]
    Done[Done(G, V, E, s, v, u)]
    while((!G.IsEmpty) & (!Done))
        v = G.VertexWithMinDist()
        relax(v)
        update(G, V, E, s, v)
    end
    print("Algorithm completed")
  
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Bellman-Ford(G, s)

Init(G, s) // $\Theta(V)$

$\Theta(|V| \cdot |E|)$ for ($i = 1; i \leq |G.V| - 1; i++$) // makes $|V|$ checks over edges, ignore s

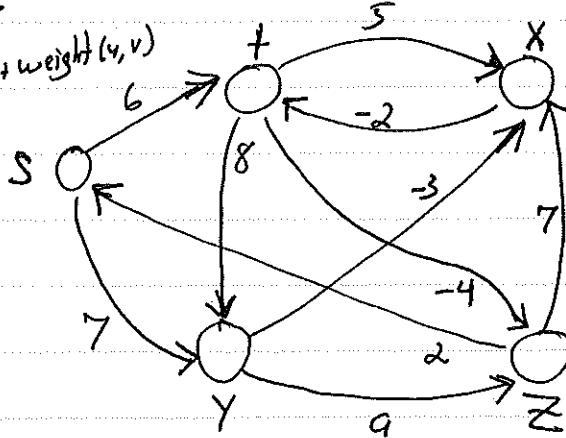
foreach edge $e \in G.E$ ($e: u \rightarrow v$)

Relax(u, v)

$\Theta(|E|)$ foreach $e \in G.E$

if $v.dist > u.dist + \text{weight}(u, v)$
return $\#F$

Explain how
this will return
 $\#F$ if there is
cycle



Order of nodes: $(t, x)(t, y)(t, z), (x, t), (y, x)(y, z)(z, x)(z, s)(s, t), (s, y)$

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Directed, Acyclic Graphs - D.A.G.s

We can reduce the running time to $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$

DAG-Shortest-Paths(G, s)

Topologically Sort Vertices(G, s) // $\Theta(|V|^3 + |E|)$

Init(G) // $\Theta(|V|)$

foreach vertex u , taken in top-sorted order // $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$

foreach vertex $v \in \text{AdjacentTo}(u)$

Relax(u, v)

Aggregate

3.5)

Topological Sort

Call DFS on a graph G

↳ As each node is finished, insert it at front of a linked list

This will 'serialize' a D.A.G.

1st thing is guaranteed to have no prior dependencies

Note that DFS can be run from just 1 starting node, or we can iterate through all of them

①

Depth-First Search

BFS proceeds like water flowing outwards from the src

DFS picks a route to follow down as far as possible, then backs up, tries next one, etc

↳ How a human would explore an area

→ DFS explores all unexplored nodes vs. just those reachable from node s.

(global) gtime

DFS(G)

for each vertex $v \in G.V$

$v.color = \text{WHITE}$

$v.pred = \text{NIL}$

$gtime = 0$

for each vertex $v \in G.V$

if $v.color == \text{white}$

DFS-Visit(v)

DFS-Visit(vertex v)

$v.color = \text{gray}$

$gtime++$

$v.time = gtime / \text{starting}$

foreach $a \in v.\text{adjacent}$

if $a.color == \text{white}$

$a.pred = v$

DFS-Visit(a)

$v.color = \text{black}$

$v.finishTime = gtime$