

## Objectives

- Dynamic Programming
  - Shortest Path

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## Discussion

- Thoughts on Jan Cuny's talk?
- March Madness
- Dynamic programming after problem set

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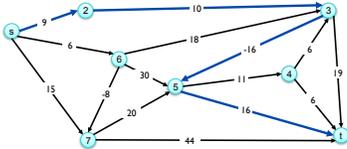
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## Shortest Paths

- **Problem:** Given a directed graph  $G = (V, E)$ , with edge weights  $c_{vw}$ , find shortest path from node  $s$  to node  $t$ 
  - allow negative weights

- Allows modeling other phenomena



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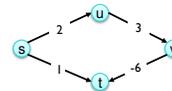
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## Shortest Paths: Failed Attempts

- Review: What was Dijkstra's algorithm?
  - Dijkstra can fail if negative edge costs

Shortest path from  $s \rightarrow t$ ?



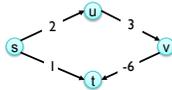
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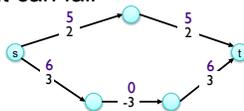
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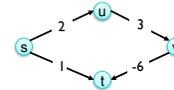
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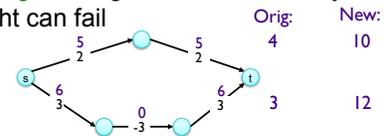
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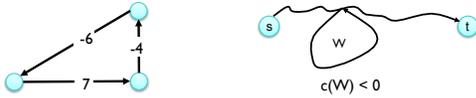


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### Shortest Paths: Negative Cost Cycles

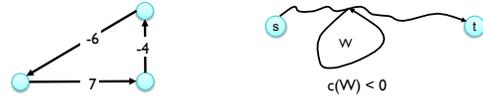


- If some path from  $s$  to  $t$  contains a negative cost cycle, there does **not** exist a shortest  $s$ - $t$  path
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Why?

What does this mean about number of edges in path?

### Shortest Paths: Negative Cost Cycles

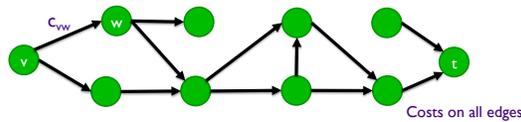


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  - Path has at most  $n-1$  edges, where  $n$  is # of nodes in graph

### Towards a Recurrence

- $OPT(i, v)$ : minimum cost of a  $v$ - $t$  path  $P$  using at most  $i$  edges
  - This formulation eases later discussion
- Original problem is  $OPT(n-1, s)$

Break down into subproblems based on  $i$  and  $v$



### Shortest Paths: Dynamic Programming

- $OPT(i, v)$  = minimum cost of a  $v$ - $t$  path  $P$  using at most  $i$  edges
  - Case 1:  $P$  uses at most  $i-1$  edges
    - $OPT(i, v) = OPT(i-1, v)$
  - Case 2:  $P$  uses exactly  $i$  edges
    - if  $(v, w)$  is first edge, then  $OPT$  uses  $(v, w)$ , and then selects best  $w$ - $t$  path using at most  $i-1$  edges
    - Cost: cost of chosen edge

$$OPT(i, v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ \min \left\{ OPT(i-1, v), \min_{(v,w) \in E} \{ OPT(i-1, w) + c_{vw} \} \right\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### Shortest Paths: Implementation

```

Shortest-Path(G, t)
n = number of nodes in G
foreach node v in V
    M[0, v] = ∞
M[0, t] = 0
for i = 1 to n-1
    foreach node v in V
        M[i, v] = M[i-1, v]
        foreach edge (v, w) in E
            M[i, v] = min(M[i, v], M[i-1, w] + c_vw)
    
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- Shortest path length is  $M[n-1, s]$

Cost of chosen edge

Starting node

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Analysis?

### Shortest Paths: Analysis

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for i = 1 to n-1 O(n)
    foreach node v ∈ V O(m)
        M[i, v] = M[i-1, v] # at most cost of 1 less
        foreach edge (v, w) ∈ E O(m)
            M[i, v] = min(M[i, v], M[i-1, w] + cw)
    
```

Time:  $O(n^3)$ ,  $\Theta(mn)$   
 Space:  $\Theta(n^2)$

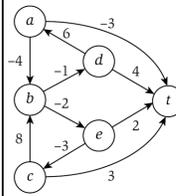
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### Example

Trying to get to t



Number of edges in path

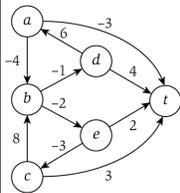
	0	1	2	3	4	5
t	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	∞					
b	∞					
c	∞					
d	∞					
e	∞					

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### Example



Number of edges in path

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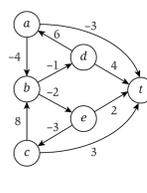
What edges do we need to look at for each node?

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### Example



Number of edges in path

	0	1	2	3	4	5
t	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	∞	-3				
b	∞	∞				
c	∞	3				
d	∞	4				
e	∞	2				

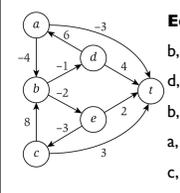
Edges  
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### Example



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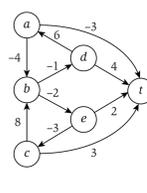
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### Example

Edges: b, t; d, e; b, t; a, t; c, t

	Number of edges in path					
	0	1	2	3	4	5
t	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	$\infty$	-3	-3	-4		
b	$\infty$	$\infty$	0	-2		
c	$\infty$	3	3	3		
d	$\infty$	4	3	3		
e	$\infty$	2	0	0		

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### Example

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	0	1	2	3	4	5
t	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	$\infty$	-3	-3	-4	-6	
b	$\infty$	$\infty$	0	-2	-2	
c	$\infty$	3	3	3	3	
d	$\infty$	4	3	2	0	
e	$\infty$	2	0	0	0	

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### Example

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t	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	$\infty$	-3	-3	-4	-6	-6
b	$\infty$	$\infty$	0	-2	-2	-2
c	$\infty$	3	3	3	3	3
d	$\infty$	4	3	2	0	0
e	$\infty$	2	0	0	0	0

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### Review: Dynamic Programming Process

- Determine the optimal substructure of the problem → define the recurrence relation
- Define the algorithm to find the **value** of the optimal solution
- Optionally, change the algorithm to an iterative rather than recursive solution
- Define algorithm to find the **optimal solution**
- Analyze running time of algorithms

Should see all parts in exam answers

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### This Week

- Exam 2 due **Friday @ 4:30 p.m.**
  - To Jacque
  - No class next week: all work days
    - Conference in Germany to present research paper
  - No "outside resources"
  - OK: Your notes, my slides, book
- No Wiki due until following Wednesday
  - Keep reading Chapter 6
- Problem Set 8 due following Friday
  - Starter code on course web site

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