



Data Structure

Lecture#24: Graphs 2 (Chapter 11)

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In This Lecture

- Shortest path problem
- Main idea of Dijkstra's algorithm
- Cost analysis of Dijkstra's algorithm



Shortest Paths Problems

- Input: A graph with weights associated with each edge.
- Output: The list of edges forming the shortest path.
- Sample problems:
 - Find shortest path between two named vertices
 - Find shortest path from a vertex s to all other vertices
 - Find shortest path between all pairs of vertices
- Will calculate shortest distance



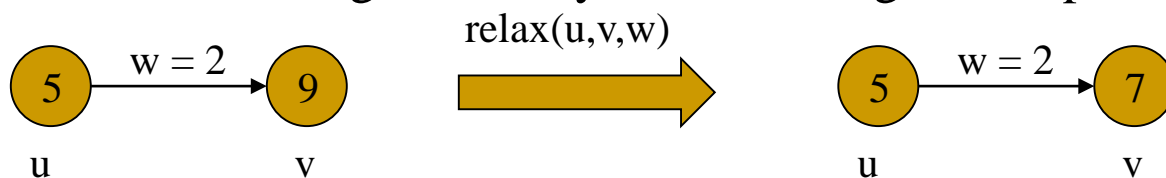
Shortest Paths Definitions

- $\delta(s, u)$ is the shortest distance from vertex s to u .
- $w(u, v)$ is the weight of the edge connecting u to v .
 - If there is no such edge, then $w(u, v) = \infty$.



Single-Source Shortest Paths

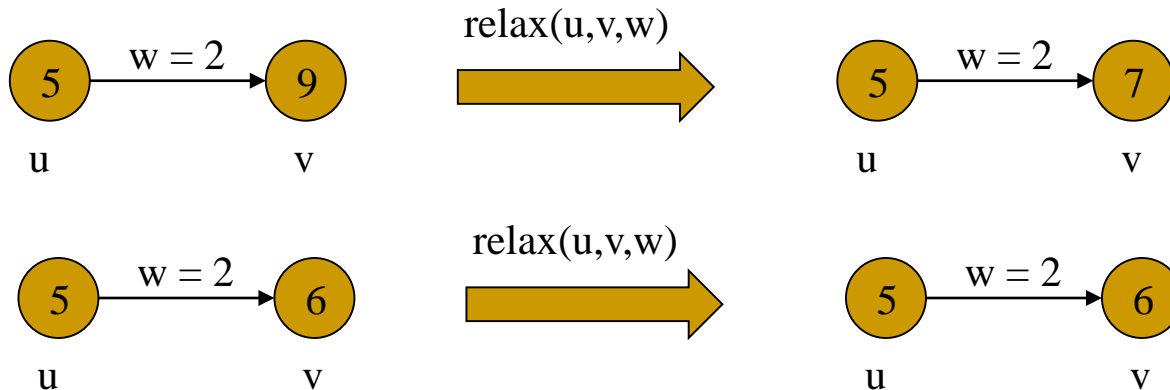
- Given start vertex s , find the shortest path from s to all other vertices.
- Algorithm by Dijkstra
 - Maintain a set S of visited vertices. Also maintain distance array D of size n (# of vertices)
 - $D[i]$ stores current estimate of distance $d(s,i)$ between s and i
 - Initially, S is empty, and $D[s] = 0$.
 - In each iteration (run this for n times)
 - Add the minimum-distance vertex u to S
 - Use D to do that
 - Update D for u 's neighbors v by the following *relax* operation





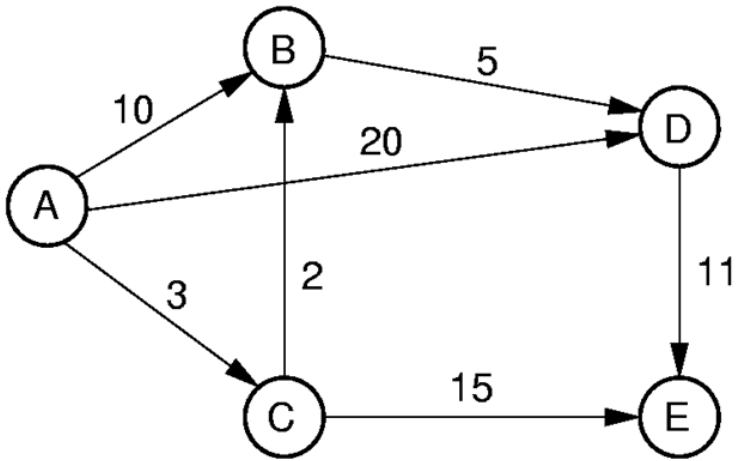
Relax Operation

- Update D for u's neighbors v by the following *relax* operation
 - $\text{relax}(u, v, w)$
 - If $d(s, v) > d(s, u) + w$
 - $d(s, v) = d(s, u) + w$
 - $\text{prev}(v) = u$





Dijkstra's Algorithm Example



Start vertex: A

D vector

	A	B	C	D	E
Initial	0	∞	∞	∞	∞
Process A	0	10	3	20	∞
Process C	0	5	3	20	18
Process B	0	5	3	10	18
Process D	0	5	3	10	18
Process E	0	5	3	10	18



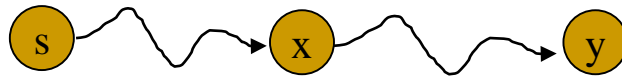
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- Correctness
 - Claim: when u is added to S , $d(s,u) = \delta(s,u)$
 - This means that when u is added to S , $d(s,u)$ is the shortest distance, and we found the shortest path to u



Correctness of Dijkstra

- Key idea (from Dynamic Programming)
 - Assume there is a node x in the shortest path P from s to y
 - Then, the path from s to x in P is the shortest path from s to x

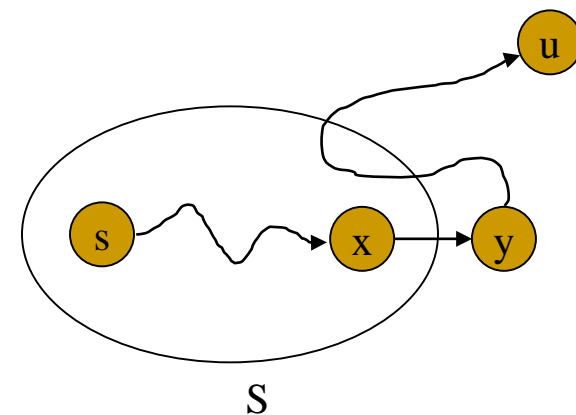




Correctness of Dijkstra



- Claim: when u is added to S , $d(s,u) = \delta(s,u)$
 - (Proof by Induction)
 - (Base Case) When $u = s$, the claim is trivially true
 - (Induction Hypothesis) Assume the claim is true for S
 - Now we add u to S . We need to show that $d(s,u) = \delta(s,u)$
 - Assume a shortest path s to u , and $x \rightarrow y$ are the first boundary vertices between S and $V \setminus S$ in the shortest path
 - It can be shown that $d(s,y) = \delta(s,y)$
 - $d(s,y) \leq d(s,x) + w(x,y)$ (from relax on x)
 - $= \delta(s,x) + w(x,y)$ (from I.H.)
 - $= \delta(s,y)$ (key idea)
 - That implies y and u are the same
 - $d(s,y) = \delta(s,y) \leq \delta(s,u) \leq d(s,u)$
 - But, $d(s,u) \leq d(s,y)$ since u is added to S
 - Thus, $d(s,u) = \delta(s,u)$





Dijkstra's Implementation

```
// Compute shortest path distances from s,  
// store them in D  
void Dijkstra(Graph G, int s, int[] D) {  
    for (int i=0; i<G.n(); i++) // Initialize  
        D[i] = Integer.MAX_VALUE;  
    D[s] = 0;  
    for (int i=0; i<G.n(); i++) {  
        int v = minVertex(G, D);  
        G.setMark(v, VISITED);  
        if (D[v] == Integer.MAX_VALUE) return;  
        for (int w = G.first(v); w < G.n();  
             w = G.next(v, w))  
            if (D[w] > (D[v] + G.weight(v, w)))  
                D[w] = D[v] + G.weight(v, w);  
    }  
}
```

`minVertex()` returns an unvisited vertex with the minimum distance



Implementing minVertex

- Issue: How to determine the next-closest vertex? (I.e., implement **minVertex**)
- Approach 1: Scan through the table of current distances.
 - Total Cost of Dijkstra: $\Theta(|\mathbf{V}|^2 + |\mathbf{E}|) = \Theta(|\mathbf{V}|^2)$.
- Approach 2: Store unprocessed vertices using a min-heap to implement a priority queue ordered by D value. Must update priority queue for each edge.
 - Cost: $\Theta((|\mathbf{V}| + |\mathbf{E}|)\log|\mathbf{V}|)$



Approach 1

```
int minVertex(Graph G, int[] D) {
    int v = 0; // Initialize to unvisited vertex;
    for (int i=0; i<G.n(); i++)
        if (G.getMark(i) == UNVISITED)
            { v = i; break; }
    for (int i=0; i<G.n(); i++)
        // Now find smallest value
        if ((G.getMark(i) == UNVISITED) &&
            (D[i] < D[v]))
            v = i;
    return v;
}
```



What You Need to Know

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Questions?