

Bellman-Ford Algorithm

Learning Goals

- Design pseudocode for a dynamic programming alg. [DP2]
- PA2

Shortest Path Problem

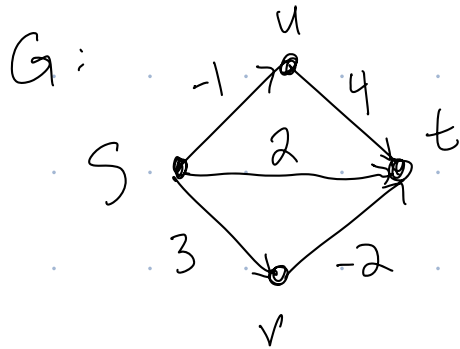
Input: $G = (V, E)$, $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $s, t \in V$, $|V| = n$, $|E| = m$, directed, no negative cycles

Output: Path P from s to t in G

e.g. $P = ((s, u), (u, v), \dots, (r, t)) \leftarrow$ sequence of connected edges

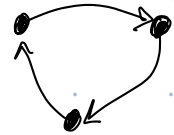
such that $L(P) = \sum_{e \in P} w(e)$ is minimized

Example:



Shortest Path:

Negative Cycle:



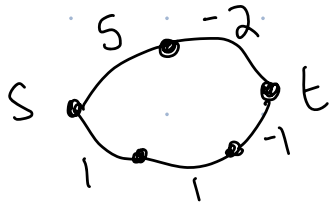
Various Approaches

- Brute Force
- Greedy
- Dynamic

Defining Subproblems

Clever idea: $P_{u,i}$ = shortest path from s to u that uses at most i edges

What is $L(P_{t,1})$, $L(P_{t,2})$, $L(P_{t,3})$ for the following graph



- A) $\infty, 3, 1$ B) $\infty, 2, 3$ C) $0, 2, 3$ D) $0, 3, 1$

Last choice a strategy makes?

Designing a Dynamic Prog. Alg.

- Recurrence relation for $P_{u,i}$ = shortest path from s to u that uses at most i edges

$$P_{u,i} = \begin{cases} \text{_____} & \text{if shortest path with } i \text{ edges goes through } v \\ & \text{prior to } u \\ \text{_____} & \text{if shortest path with } i \text{ edges goes through } w \\ & \text{prior to } u \\ \vdots & \\ \text{_____} & \text{if shortest path to } u \text{ uses less than } i \text{ edges} \end{cases}$$

- Recurrence relation for objective function $\begin{cases} w(u,u) = 0 \\ w(u,v) = \infty \text{ if no edge} \end{cases}$

$$A(u,i) = \begin{cases} \text{_____} \\ \text{Base case: } \text{_____} \end{cases}$$

Helpful notation $\rightarrow \min_{u \in S} \{f(u)\}$

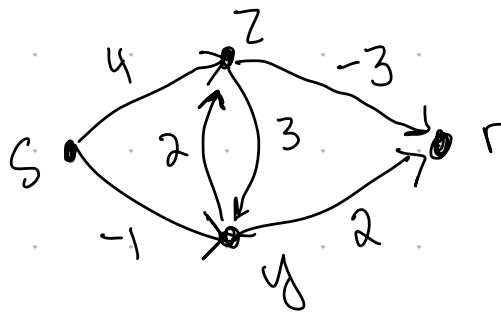
• Write Pseudocode to fill in A

Input: $n \times n$ array w where $w[u, v] = \text{weight of edge } (u, v)$, $s, t \in [n]$.

$w[u, v] = \infty$ if no edge. $w[u, u] = 0 \forall u \in [n]$

Output: $? \times ?$ array A s.t. $A[u, i] = L(P_{u, i})$

Use your code to create
 A for the graph



A

	s	z	y	r
0				
1				
2				
3				

What is the Runtime of Bellman-Ford?

- A) $O(n)$ B) $O(n^2)$ C) $O(n^3)$ D) $O(nm)$
- ↙ # vertices
↗ # edges

Recall

Recurrence relation for objective function $(w(u,u) = 0$
 $w(u,v) = \infty$ if no edge)

$$L(P_{u,i}) = \min \left\{ \min_{\substack{v \in V \\ v \neq u}} \{ L(P_{v,i-1}) + w(v,u) \}, L(P_{u,i-1}) \right\}$$

Base case: $L(P_{u,0}) = \infty$ if $u \neq s$
 $L(P_{s,0}) = 0$

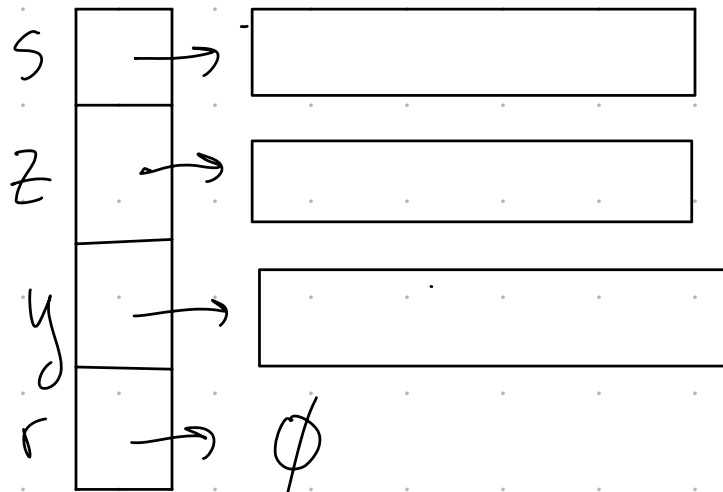
Don't want to check every $v \in V$. Only want to check $v: (v,u) \in E$.

Adjacency Matrix

	s	z	y	r
s	∞	4	-1	∞
z	∞	∞	3	-3
y	∞	2	∞	2
r	∞	∞	∞	∞

s → r
weight

Adjacency List



list of vertices with
edges leaving a vertex

Reverse Adjacency List

list of vertices with edges
entering a vertex

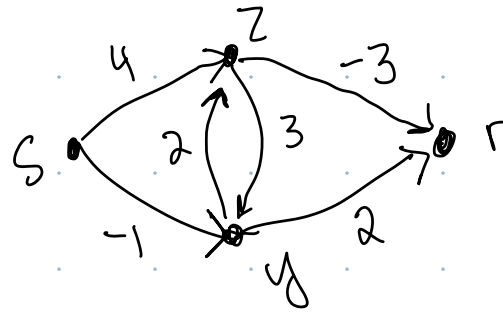
$$W[s] = \phi$$

$$W[z] = [(s, 4), (y, 2)]$$

$$W[r] = [(z, -3), (y, 2)]$$

$$W[y] = [(s, -1), (z, 3)]$$

e.g.



Initialize $A \leftarrow n \times n$ array filled with ∞ 's.

$$A[s, 0] \leftarrow 0$$

For $i \leftarrow 1$ to $n-1$:

 For $u \leftarrow 1$ to n :

$$A[u, i] = A[u, i-1]$$

 For $v \leftarrow 1$ to n :

$$\text{If } A[u, i] > A[v, i-1] + w[v, u]$$

$$A[u, i] \leftarrow A[v, i-1] + w[v, u]$$

What is the Runtime of Bellman-Ford with Reverse Adj Matrix?

- A) $O(n)$ B) $O(n^2)$ C) $O(n^3)$ D) $O(nm + n^2)$
- ↙ # vertices
↘ # edges

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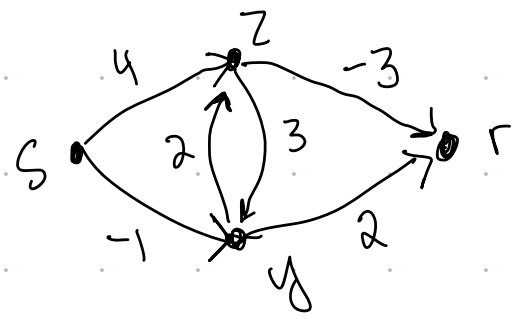
$A[u, i] \leftarrow A[v, i-1] + w[v, u]$

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Distributed Bellman-Ford

Vertex v can calculate $A[v, i]$ if gets passed $A[u, i-1]$ info from neighbor $u: (u, v) \in E$.

Then it passes $A[v, i]$ onto its neighbors.

Useful for network

