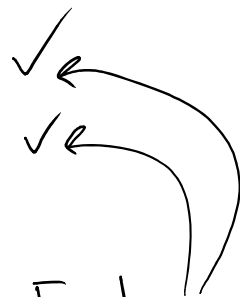
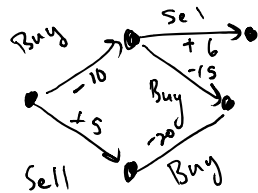


Dijkstra

Good: v. fast! $O(m \log n)$ run time

Bad: • Not good if have distributed graph like internet because need to maintain global heap
• Not good if have negative weights

e.g.
financial
transaction
graph:



New Approach: Dynamic Programming - Bellman Ford

(actually used for internet routing!)

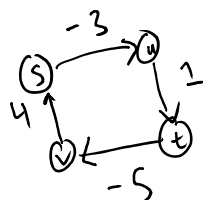
Problem: What to do when G has negative weight cycle?

def: Cycle is a path from $v \in V$ back to $v \in V$, and doesn't repeat other vertices

A) Return $-\infty$

B) Should return shortest cycle free path

$\Rightarrow$ NP-complete problem. Best known algorithm is exponential in n, m

Bellman Ford:

Input: directed graph $G=(V,E)$, edge costs l_e , vertex $s \in V$

Output: Negative cycle in G
or (if no negative cycle)

Shortest paths from s to all other $v \in V$

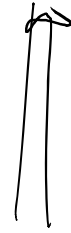
For now, assume no neg. wt. cycle in G (but neg. wt. edges ok!)

Q: If a graph G has no negative weight cycles, what is an upper bound on the number of edges in a shortest path?

A) no bound B) m

C) n

D) $n-1$



Proof: • For contradiction, suppose a ^{shortest} path has $> n-1$ edges.

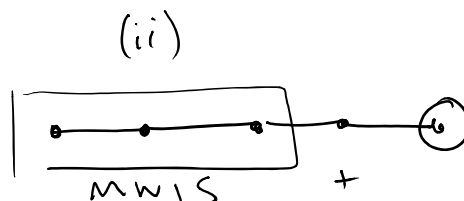
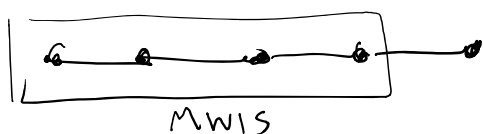
- Then must visit same vertex twice $\Rightarrow$ cycle
- All cycles have non-negative weight, so if remove, get shorter path, a contradiction!

To Create D. P. (dynamic programming) algorithm:

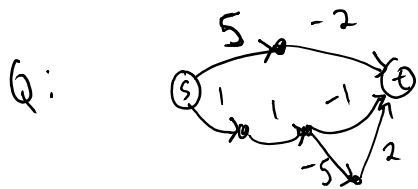
1. Think of form of optimal solution.

- WMIS on line: $v_n \in S$ or $n \notin S_n$

2. How do you write in terms of optimal solution to smaller problem?



Problem: on general graphs, hard to order subproblems



What is shortest path from s to t with at most 2 edges? at most 3 edges?

- A) 3, 1
B) 2, 0
C) 3, -1
D) 2, 1

We'll use max # of edges in path to order our subproblems

Let $P_{i,v}$ = shortest $s-v$ path with at most i edges
 (∞ if no $s-v$ path) (assume unique $\forall v, i$)

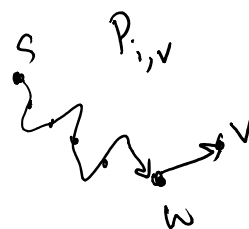
Case 1: If $P_{i,v}$ has $\leq (i-1)$ edges,

$$P_{i,v} = P_{i-1,v}$$

Case 2: If $P_{i,v}$ has i edges, then

$$P_{i,v} = P_{i-1,w} + (w,v)$$

for some $w: (w,v) \in E$



Pf: Case 1: $\bullet l(P_{i,v}) \leq l(P_{i-1,v})$ since extra edge can only help

$\bullet$ If $l(P_{i,v}) < l(P_{i-1,v})$, then there is a shorter path than $P_{i-1,v}$ with $\leq (i-1)$ edges, a contradiction

$$\Rightarrow l(P_{i,v}) = l(P_{i-1,v})$$

by uniqueness, $P_{i,v} = P_{i-1,v}$

Case 2: Suppose $P_{i,v} = p + (w,v)$ where p is a path from s to w , $p \neq P_{i-1,v}$

- $\bullet$ p longer $\Rightarrow P_{i,v}$ is not optimal
- $\bullet$ p can't be less than $P_{i-1,v}$ by def

$$\Rightarrow P_{i,v} = P_{i-1,w} + (w,v) \text{ for some } w.$$

Q: How many subproblems must be evaluated to calculate $P_{i,v}$?

A) $n+1$ B) n C) $1 + |\{u: (u,v) \in E\}|$ D) $|\{u: (u,v) \in E\}|$

Case 1: $1 \rightarrow P_{i-1,v}$

Case 2: $P_{i-1,w}$, for each $w \in \{u: (u,v) \in E\}$

* Cycles permitted b/c i keeps from infinite cycling around

3 (Dynamic Programming) Create recurrence relation

Let $L_{i,v}$ be length of path $P_{i,v}$ (∞ if no path)

Q. Base Case: $L_{0,s} = 0$ $L_{0,v} = \infty \quad \forall v \in V - s$

Recurrence: $L_{i,v} = \min \begin{cases} L_{i-1,v} \\ \min_{(w,v) \in E} L_{i-1,w} + c_{(w,v)} \end{cases}$

Correctness: Using proof on previous page, $P_{i,v}$ must be related to one of $1 + |\{w: (w,v) \in E\}|$ subproblems. We took at all (exhaustive search)