

# All-Pairs Shortest Paths

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Lecture slides from Prof. Hsin-Mu Tsai's course slides and Prof. Ya-Yuin Su course slides.

# Today's Goal

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- Quick recap of single source shortest path
- Floyd-Warshall algorithm
- Johnson algorithm

# Things we have learned so far

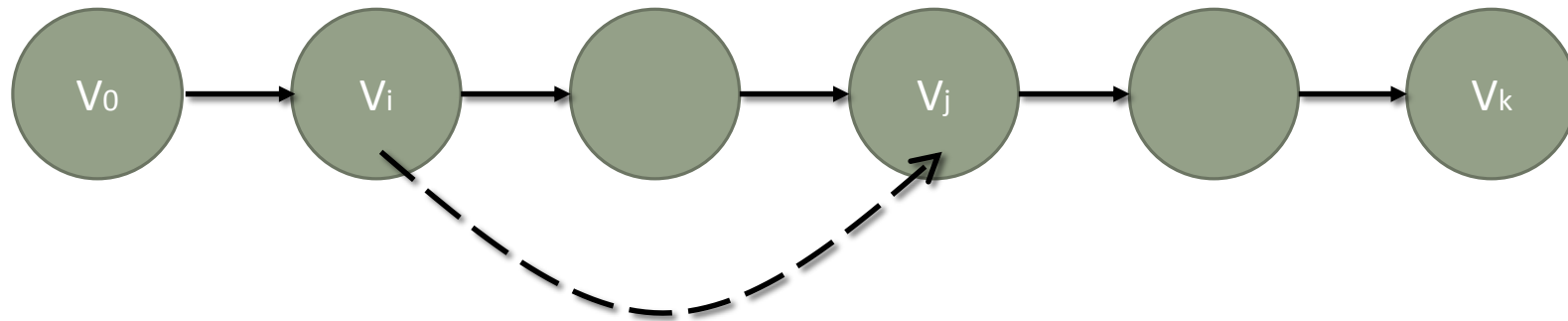
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- Single-source shortest paths problem
- Two algorithms
  - Bellman Ford algorithm
  - Dijkstra's algorithm
- Several properties about shortest path

# Optimal Substructure

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- Theorem: A subpath of a shortest path is a shortest path
- If we decompose a path from  $v_0$  to  $v_k$  to the following, then  $w(p) = w(p_{0i}) + w(p_{ij}) + w(p_{jk})$



- If a shorter path  $p'_{ij}$  exists, then  $w(p) = w(p_{0i}) + w(p'_{ij}) + w(p_{jk}) < w(p)$ , contradiction.

# Triangle inequality

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- For all vertices  $u, v, w \in V$ ,  $\delta(u, v) \leq \delta(u, w) + \delta(w, v)$
- Idea: among all paths from  $u$  to  $v$ , a shortest path  $\delta(u, v)$  will be shorter (or equal to) the path going from  $u$  to  $v$  through an intermediate node  $w$  by taking shortest path  $\delta(u, w)$  and  $\delta(w, v)$ .

# Algorithms we have learned

Graph type	Algorithm	Runnging Time
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Non-negative edge weight graph	Dijkstra	$O(E+V\lg V)$
General graph	Bellman-Ford	$O(VE)$
DAG	Bellman-Ford	$O(V+E)$

# Algorithms we have learned

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- But what happen when the graph is dense?  
ex. When  $|E| \approx |V|^2$ ?
- And what happen when the graph is relatively sparse?  
ex. When  $|E| = \theta(V)$ ?



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DAG	Bellman-Ford	$O(V+E)$	$O(V^2)$	$O(V)$

# All-pair shortest paths

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- How about using the previous algorithms to solve all-pair shortest path problem ?
  - Unweighted graph: run BFS  $|V|$  times  $\rightarrow O(VE)$
  - Non-negative graph: run Dijkstra  $|V|$  times  $\rightarrow O(VE + V^2 \lg V)$
  - General case: run Bellman-Ford  $|V|$  times  $\rightarrow O(V^2 E)$
- When handling general cases, the time complexity is at most  $O(V^4)$ .....
- We can do better!

# But how.....?

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- Recall that shortest paths has some useful properties.
- One of them is that a shortest path has an optimal substructure.
- As soon as we realize this.....
- Dynamic programming may be a good choice to solve this problem!

# Floyd-Warshall algorithm

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- First we label all vertices from 1 to  $|V|$ .
- Then define  $D^{(k)}$  ( $k$  from 0 to  $|V|$ ) to be an  $|V| * |V|$  matrix, and define each of its entry  $d_{ij}$  to be the shortest path from  $i$  to  $j$  with intermediate vertices in set  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , if such path doesn't exist,  $d_{ij} = \infty$ .
- Then define  $c_{ij}^{(k)}$  to be the  $d_{ij}$  in matrix  $D^{(k)}$ .
- So  $c_{ij}^{(0)} = w_{ij}$  and  $\delta(i, j) = c_{ij}^{(|V|)}$ .

# The transition function

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- Idea : The shortest path from  $i$  to  $j$  with intermediate vertices in set  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , which is denoted by  $c_{ij}^{(k)}$ , can either go through  $k$  or not.
- If not  $\rightarrow c_{ij}^{(k)} = c_{ij}^{(k-1)}$
- Else  $\rightarrow c_{ij}^{(k)} = c_{ik}^{(k-1)} + c_{kj}^{(k-1)}$

# The transition function(Cont.)

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- Since we are not yet sure if the intermediate vertices of  $c_{ij}^{(k)}$  contains  $k$ , so both circumstances are possible.
- But fortunately, we know how to determine it!
- THE SHORTER, THE BETTER!
- So  $c_{ij}^{(k)} = \min(c_{ik}^{(k-1)} + c_{kj}^{(k-1)}, c_{ij}^{(k-1)})$

# Pseudo code

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for k = 1 to n
  for i = 1 to n
    for j = 1 to n
      if  $c_{ij} > c_{ik} + c_{kj}$ 
         $c_{ij} = c_{ik} + c_{kj}$ 
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Running time :  $\theta(V^3)$

# An Alternative: Transitive closure of a directed graph

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- Determine if a graph  $G$  contains a path from vertex  $i$  to  $j$  for all vertices pairs
- $t_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if there exists a path from } i \text{ to } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- Idea: The key concepts of Floyd-warshall algorithm can be used on this question, but some modifications are needed.



# An Alternative: Transitive closure of a directed graph(Cont.)

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- The modification is shown as follow:
  - Replace min with  $\vee$  (logical OR)
  - Replace + with  $\wedge$  (logical AND)
  - $t_{ij}^{(k)} = t_{ij}^{(k-1)} \wedge (t_{ik}^{(k-1)} \vee t_{kj}^{(k-1)})$
- The running time is also  $\theta(V^3)$ .

# Another idea

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- Floyd-Warshall yields a great improvement on time complexity.
- But when  $|E|$  is relatively smaller, i.e. when  $|E| = \theta(|V|)$ , the improvement is not that significant.....
- Using Dijkstra's algorithm  $|V|$  times is now a good idea, but negative-weighted edge is a critical issue.
- Can we fix this?

# Johnson's algorithm

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- Idea:
  - Try to make all edges positive.
  - Then run Dijkstra's algorithm  $|V|$  times.
- Solution: **Graph Reweighting**
- Given function  $h : V \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$ , reweight each edge  $(u, v) \in E$  by  $w_h(u, v) = w(u, v) + h(u) - h(v)$ ,  $v \in V$ . Then, for any vertices  $(u, v) \in V$ , all paths have reweighted by the same amount.

# Theorem

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- Proof:
  - Let  $p = v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_3 \dots v_k$  be a path in  $G$

# Theorem(Cont.)

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- Proof:

- Let  $p = v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_3 \dots v_k$  be a path in  $G$

$$\sum_{i=1}^k w_h(v_{i-1}, v_i) = \sum_{i=1}^k (w_h(v_{i-1}, v_i) + h(v_{i-1}) - h(v_i)) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^k w_h(v_{i-1}, v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^k h(v_{i-1}) - h(v_i) = w(p) + \boxed{h(v_1) - h(v_k)}$$

The same for every path

# Collorary

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- $\delta_h(u, v) = \delta(u, v) + h(u) - h(v)$
- Now we try to find  $h : V \rightarrow \mathcal{R}$  such that  $w_h(u, v) \geq 0$  for all edges  $(u, v) \in E$
- $w_h(u, v) = w(u, v) + h(u) - h(v) \geq 0$
- $h(v) - h(u) \leq w(u, v)$
- The equations given by  $h(v) - h(u)$ , for all  $u, v \in V$  can form a difference constraints system!

# Difference constraints

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- The difference constraints system problem is to find a solution to a difference constraint system, where each equation has the following form:

$x_i - x_j \leq c_k$ , where  $c_k$  is a constant that can be negative.

- An example of a difference constraints system is as followed:

$$x_1 - x_2 \leq 3$$

$$x_2 - x_3 \leq -2$$

$$x_1 - x_3 \leq 2$$

# Difference constraints(Cont.)

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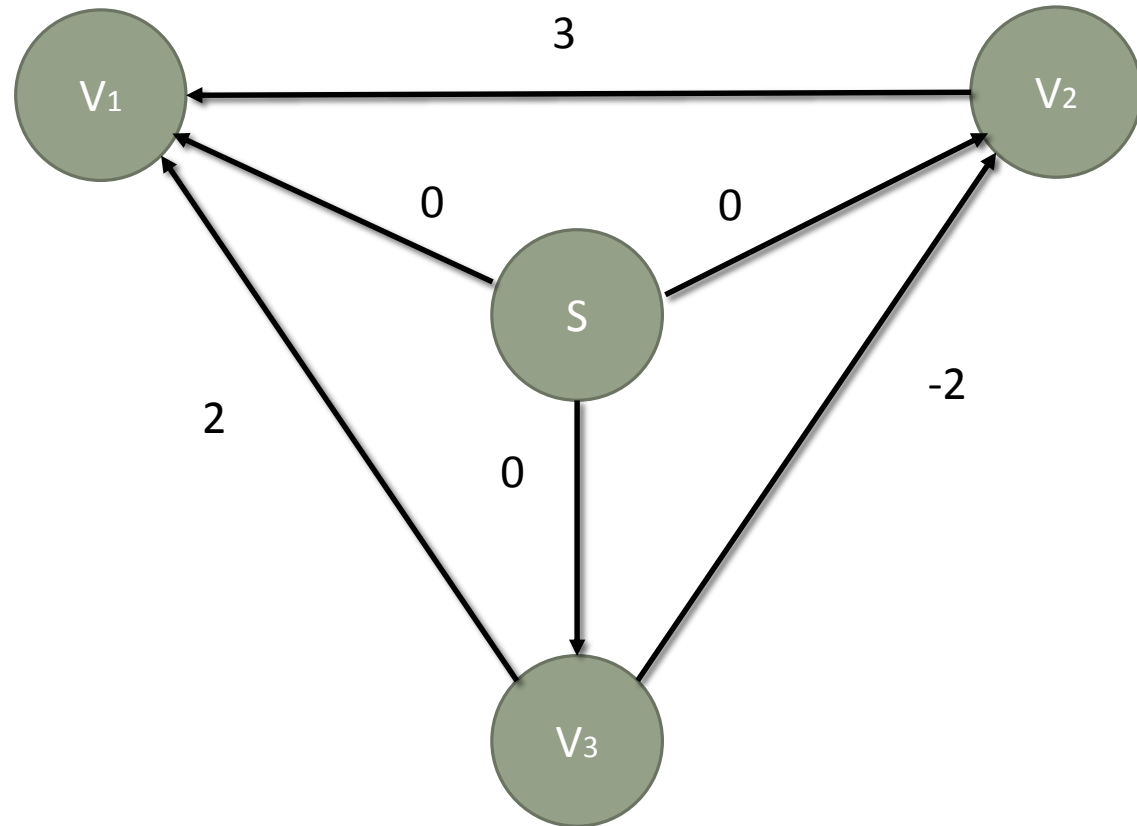
- Observe the fact that shortest paths have triangular inequality.
- Then for each equation  $x_i - x_j \leq c_k$ , we can construct an edge  $v_j \rightarrow v_i$ , and  $w(v_j \rightarrow v_i) = c_k$
- Finally, add a new node  $s$ , and add for all  $v \in V$ , add edges  $s \rightarrow v_i$ , and  $w(s \rightarrow v_i) = 0$
- For the example of last page, we can construct the graph as followed using the rule above.



# Difference constraints (Cont.)

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- $x_1 - x_2 \leq 3$
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# Difference constraints(End)

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- After the graph is constructed, we can realize that for all variables  $x_i$  in the difference equations system,  $x_i = \delta(s, v_i)$  is a set of  $x$  that can satisfy the constraint due to triangular inequality if no negative cycle exists.
- So using Bellman-Ford algorithm, we can either tell that the difference constraints system is unsolvable, or find a set of solution in  $O(VE)$ .

# Return to Johnson Algorithm

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- So for all  $u, v \in V$ ,  $h(v) - h(u) \leq w(u, v)$ , and these equations form a difference constraints system, so Bellman-Ford algorithm can be used to detect negative cycles and determine the function  $h$ .  $\rightarrow \mathbf{O}(VE)$
- Then reweight all edges by  $w_h(u, v) = w(u, v) + h(u) - h(v)$ .  $\rightarrow \mathbf{O}(VE)$
- Then for all  $u \in V$ , run Dijkstra's algorithm on the reweighted graph to find  $\delta_h(u, v)$  for all  $v \in V$ .  $\rightarrow \mathbf{O}(V^2 \lg V)$
- $\delta(u, v) = \delta_h(u, v) + h(v) - h(u)$  for all  $u, v \in V$ .  $\rightarrow \mathbf{O}(V^2)$
- The total running time is  $\mathbf{O}(VE + V^2 \lg V)$ .