

#39: Dijkstra's Algorithm (for reals!)

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Shortest Path Home:



Dijkstra's Algorithm (Single Source Shortest Path)



Dijkstra's Algorithm Overview:

- The overall logic is the same as Prim's Algorithm
- We will modify the code in only two places both involving the update to the distance metric.
- The result is a directed acyclic graph or DAG

Pseudocode for Dijkstra's SSSP Algorithm								
1	DijkstraSSSP(G, s):							
2	Input: G, Graph;							
3	s, vertex in G, starting vertex of algorithm							
4	Output: T, DAG w/ shortest paths (and distances) to s							
5								
6	foreach (Vertex v : G):							
7	d[v] = +inf							
8	p[v] = NULL							
9	d[s] = 0							
10								
11	PriorityQueue Q // min distance, defined by d[v]							
12	Q.buildHeap(G.vertices())							
13	Graph T // "labeled set"							
14								
15	repeat n times:							
16	Vertex m = Q.removeMin()							
17	T.add(m)							
18	foreach (Vertex v : neighbors of m not in T):							
19	if < d[v]:							
20	d[v] =							
21	p[v] = m							
22								
23	return T							

Backtracking in Dijkstra

Dijkstra's Algorithm gives us the shortest path from a single source to every connected vertex:



The data structure maintained by Dijkstra's Algorithm will have the following state after running Dijkstra's Algorithm:

	Α	В	С	D	Ε	F	G	Η
р	NULL	Α	В	В	F	Α	F	С
d	0	10	17	15	12	7	11	21

Q: What is the shortest path from A to H?

Q: What is the shortest path from A to E?

Examples: How is a single heavy-weight path vs. many light-weight paths handled?

Ex 1:



Ex 2:



What about undirected graphs?



Dijkstra: What if we have a negative-weight cycle?



Dijkstra: What if we have a minimum-weight edge, without having a negative-weight cycle?



Dijkstra makes an assumption:

Dijkstra Algorithm: What is the running time?

Challenge: Landmark Path Problem



CS 225 - Things To Be Doing:

- 1. Final Exam runs Thursday, May 3 Thursday, May 10
- 2. MP7 is released; MP7 deadline Monday, May 30
- **3.** Final lab, **lab_ml**, released today; due Sunday, May 29 **4.** This week is the last week of POTDs (*last POTD is Friday!*)