

Bellman-Ford and Dynamic Programming

Lecture 18

Part I

No negative edges: Dijkstra

Dijkstra's Algorithm

Initialize for each node v , $\text{dist}(s, v) = \infty$

Initialize $X = \emptyset$, $\text{dist}(s, s) = 0$

for $i = 1$ to $|V|$ do

Let v be such that $\text{dist}(s, v) = \min_{u \in V - X} \text{dist}(s, u)$ ←

$X = X \cup \{v\}$

for each u in $\text{Adj}(v)$ do

$\text{dist}(s, u) = \min(\text{dist}(s, u), \text{dist}(s, v) + \ell(v, u))$ ←

Priority Queues to maintain *dist* values for faster running time

- 1 Using heaps and standard priority queues: $O((m + n) \log n)$
- 2 Best-first-search

Dijkstra's Algorithm using Priority Queues

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 $Q \leftarrow \text{makePQ}()$   
 $\text{insert}(Q, (s, 0))$   
for each node  $u \neq s$  do  
     $\text{insert}(Q, (u, \infty))$   
 $X \leftarrow \emptyset$   
for  $i = 1$  to  $|V|$  do  
     $(v, \text{dist}(s, v)) = \text{extractMin}(Q)$   
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    for each  $u$  in  $\text{Adj}(v)$  do  
         $\text{decreaseKey}(Q, (u, \min(\text{dist}(s, u), \text{dist}(s, v) + \ell(v, u))))$ .
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Priority Queue operations:

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 - 2 Data structures are complicated to analyze/implement. Recent work has obtained data structures that are easier to analyze and implement, and perform well in practice. Rank-Pairing Heaps (European Symposium on Algorithms, September 2009!)

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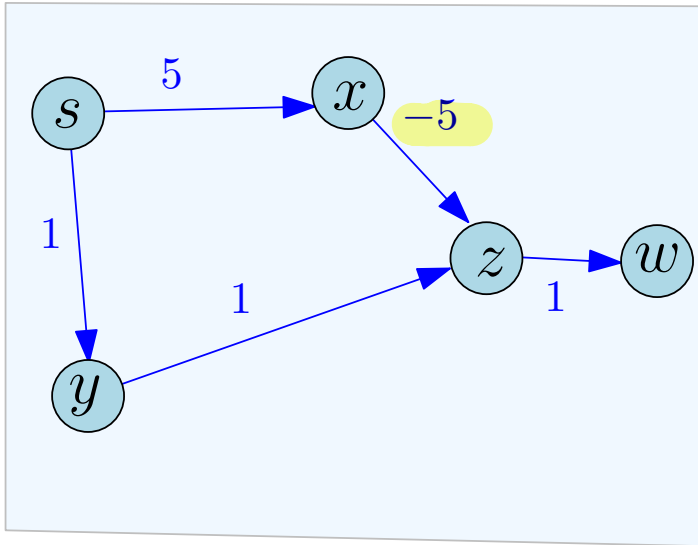
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Part II

Negative Edges: Bellman-Ford

What are the distances computed by Dijkstra's algorithm?

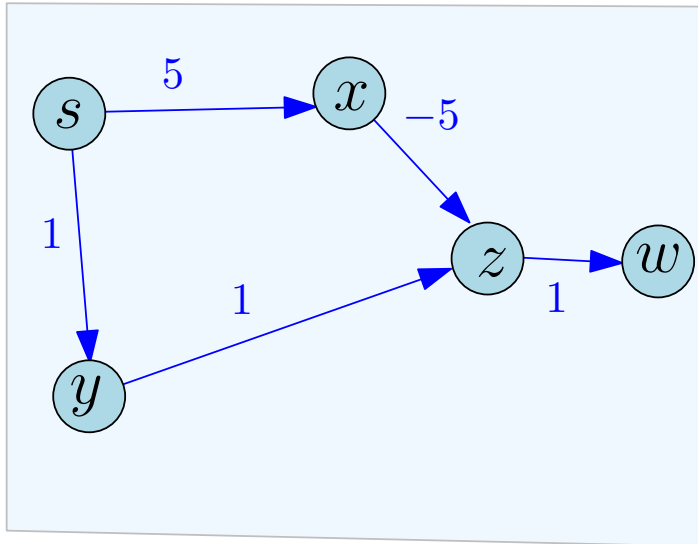


The distance as computed by Dijkstra algorithm starting from s :

- (A) $s = 0$, $x = 5$, $y = 1$, $z = 0$.
- (B) $s = 0$, $x = 1$, $y = 2$, $z = 5$.
- (C) $s = 0$, $x = 5$, $y = 1$, $z = 2$.
- (D) IDK.

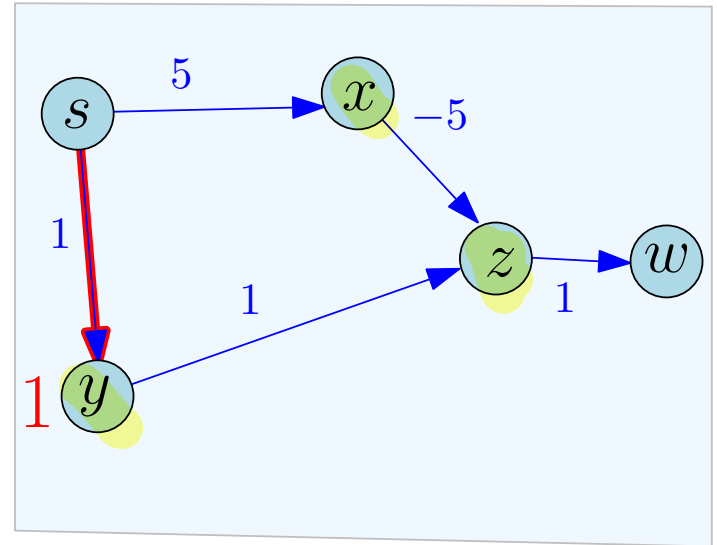
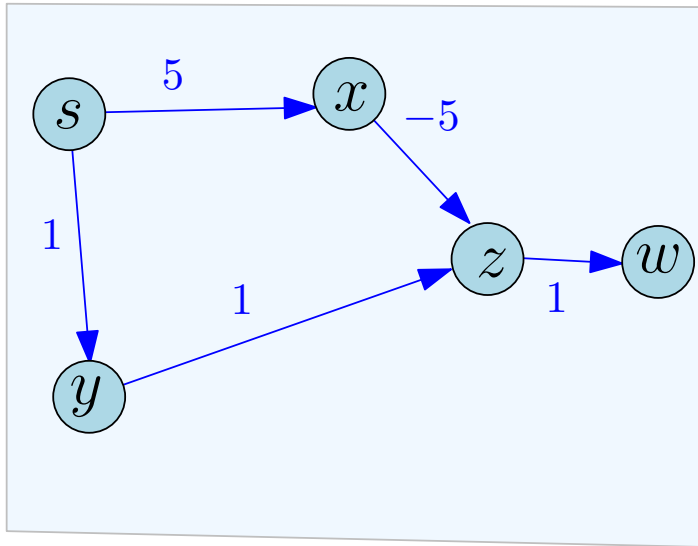
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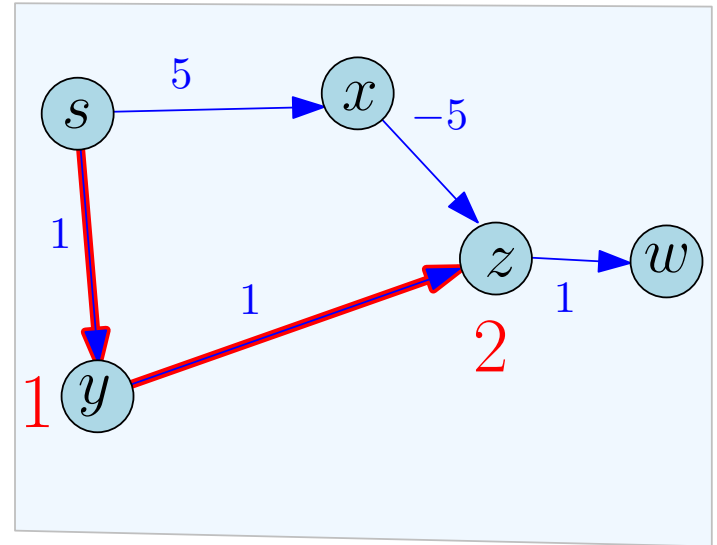
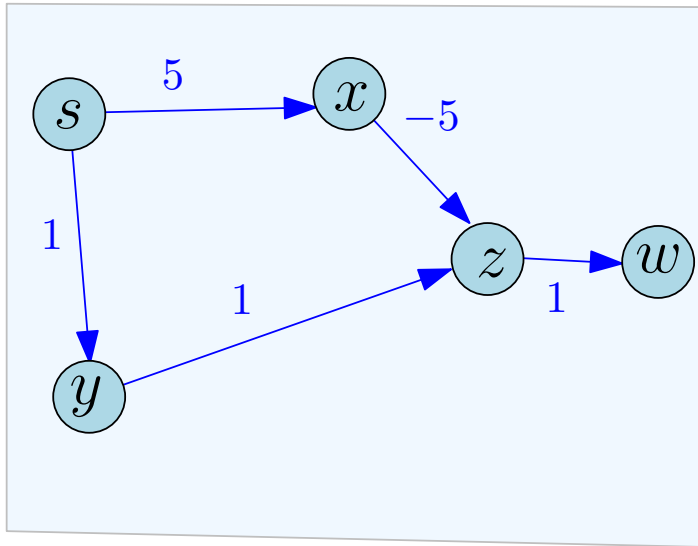


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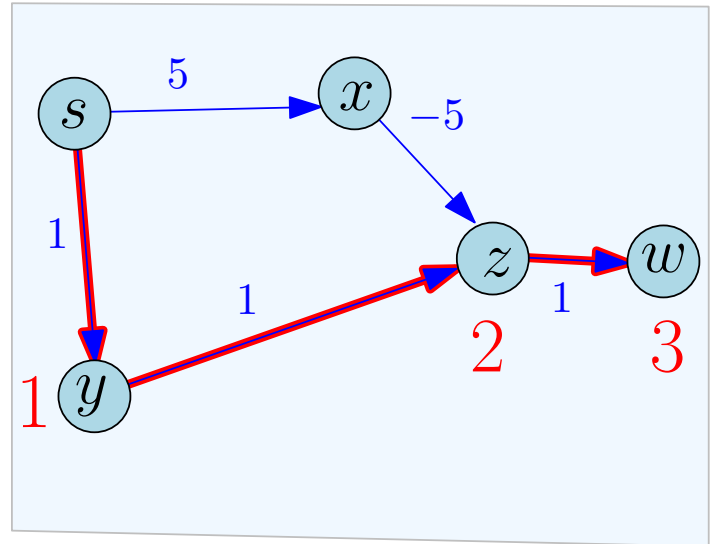
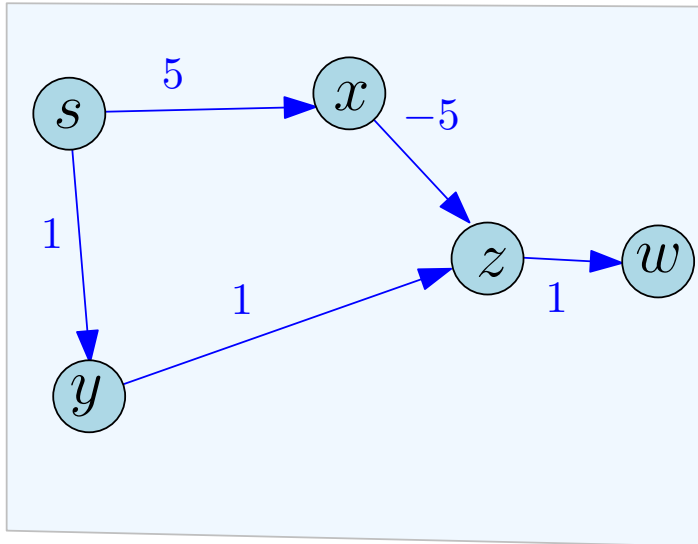
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$$d'(s, w) = 3$$
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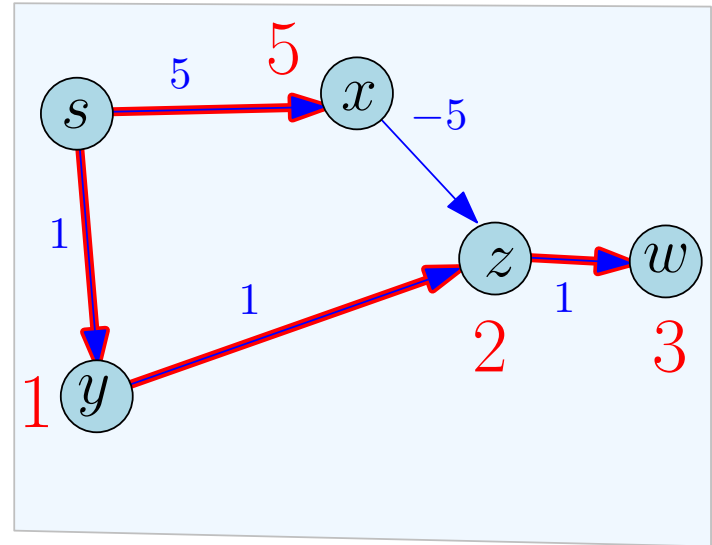
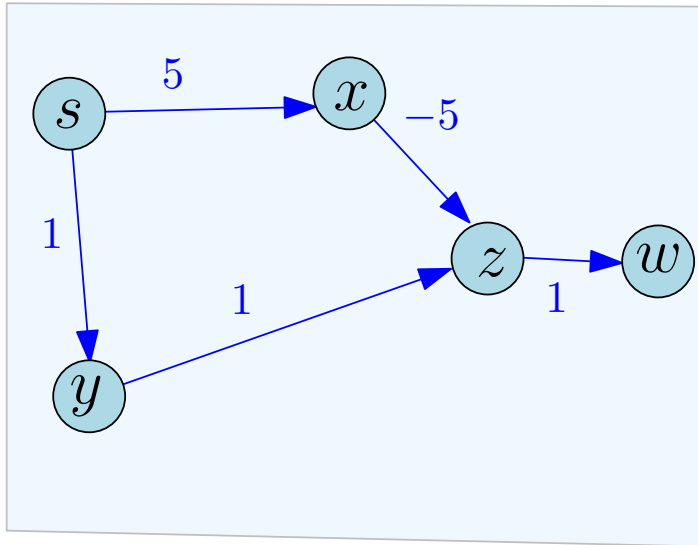
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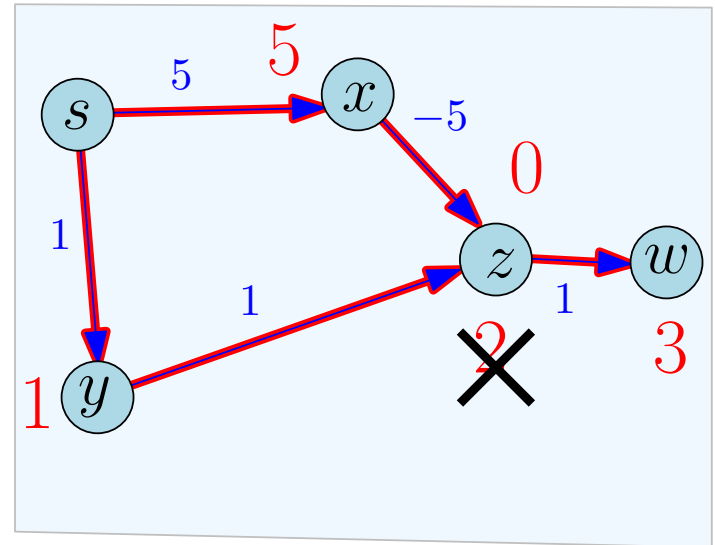
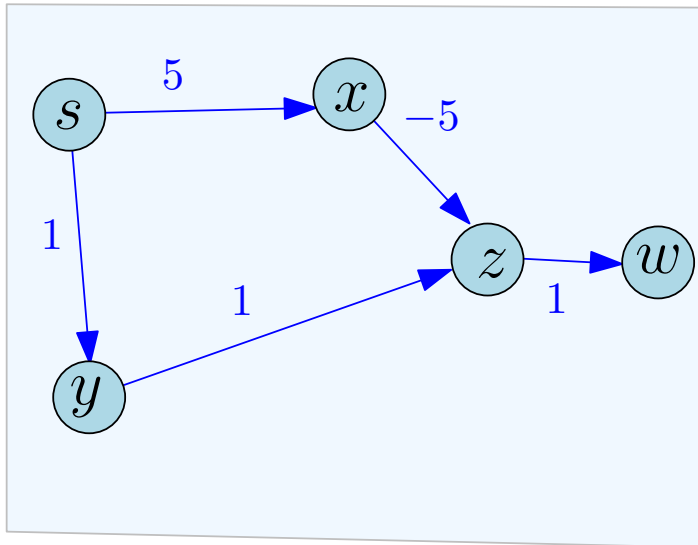
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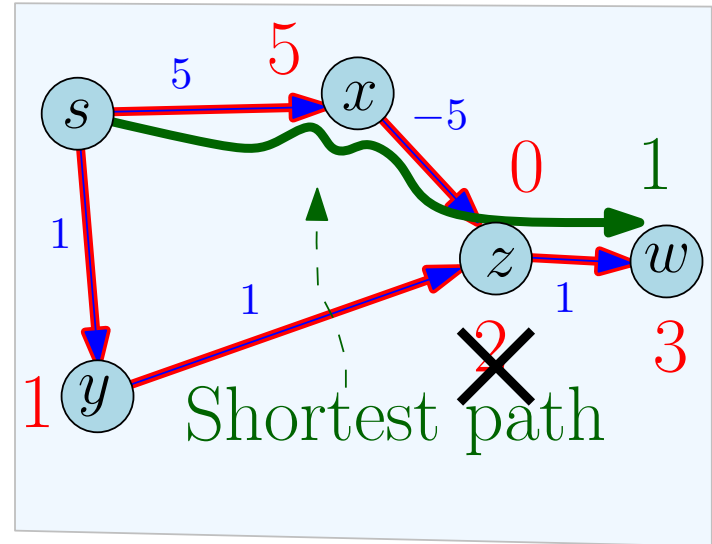
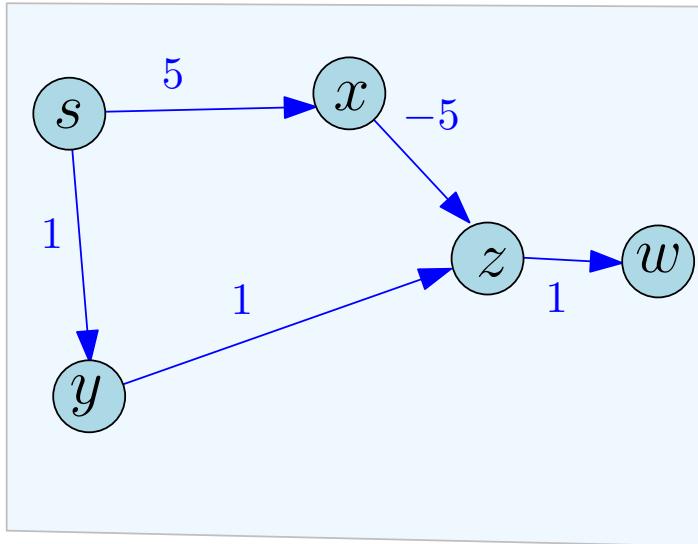
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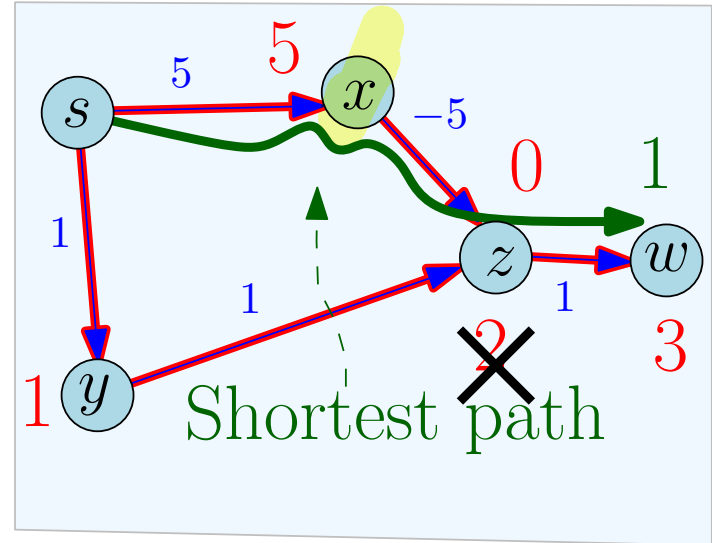
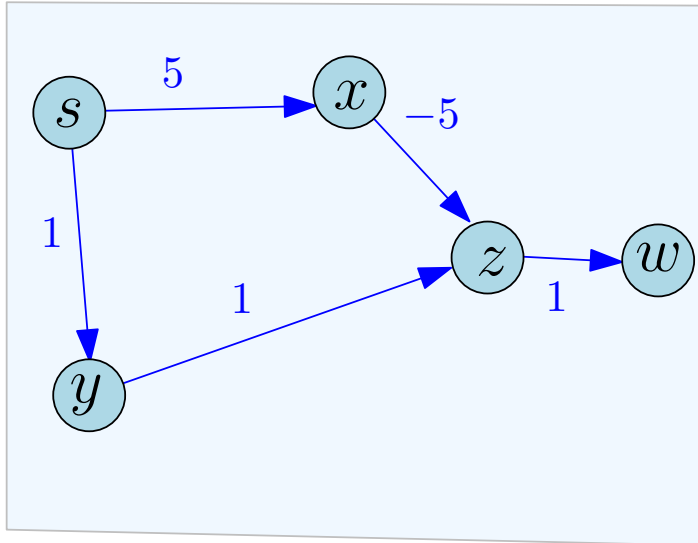
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False assumption: Dijkstra's algorithm is based on the assumption that if $s = v_0 \rightarrow v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \dots \rightarrow v_k$ is a shortest path from s to v_k then $\text{dist}(s, v_i) \leq \text{dist}(s, v_{i+1})$ for $0 \leq i < k$. Holds true only for non-negative edge lengths.

$$d(s, x) > d(s, z)$$

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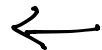
Solution: Update all edges $|V| - 1$ times!

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Part III

Bellman-Ford and DP

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Sub-problem idea: paths of fewer hops/edges

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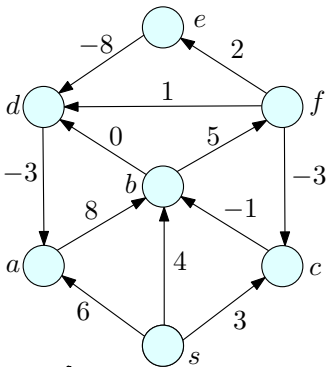
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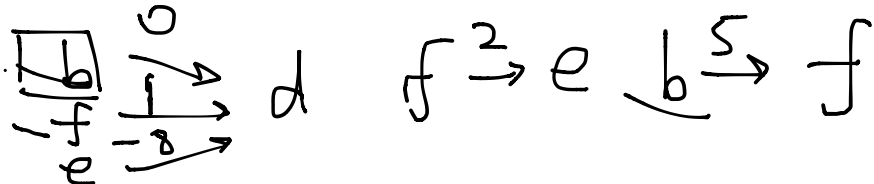
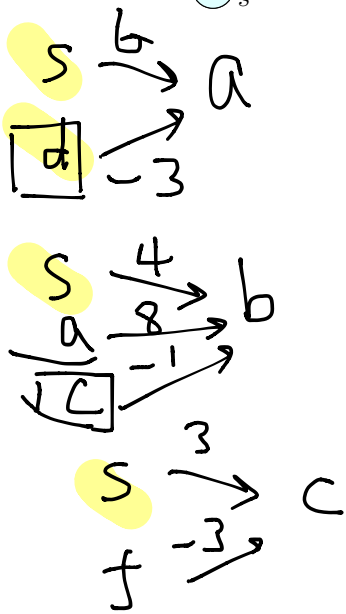
at most $k-1$ edges

Base case: $d(s, 0) = 0$ and $d(v, 0) = \infty$ for all $v \neq s$.

Example



	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
a	∞	6	6	1	-1	-1	-2
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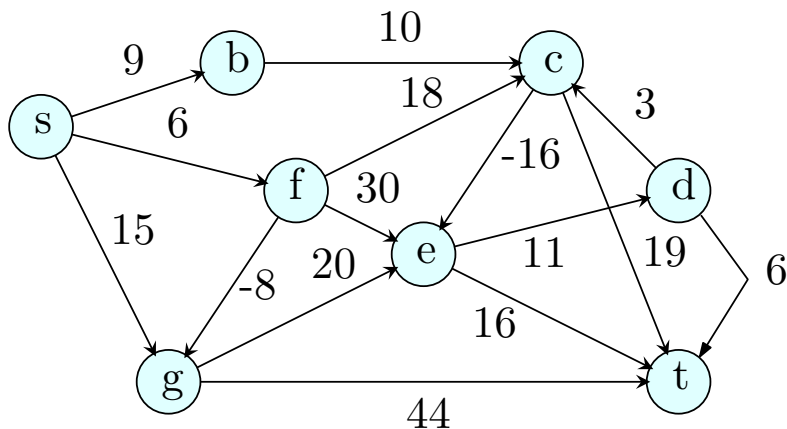
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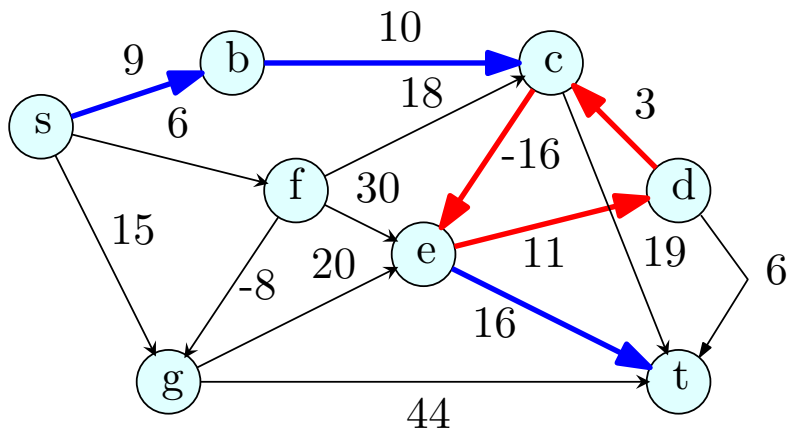
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Bellman-Ford: Negative Cycle Detection

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(* One more iteration to check if distances change *)
for each  $v \in V$  do
    for each edge  $(u, v) \in In(v)$  do
        if  $(d(v) > d(u) + \ell(u, v))$ 
            Output ‘‘Negative Cycle’’

for each  $v \in V$  do
     $\text{dist}(s, v) \leftarrow d(v)$ 
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- 2 Run Bellman-Ford $|V|$ times, once from each node u ?

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- 1 Add a new node s' and connect it to all nodes of G with zero length edges. Bellman-Ford from s' will find a negative length cycle if there is one. **Exercise:** why does this work?
- 2 Negative cycle detection can be done with one Bellman-Ford invocation.