

Graph Optimization

- a. Dijkstra's Algorithm
- b. Bellman-Ford

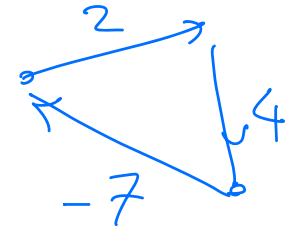
Why Care About Negative Edge Weights?

- Models various phenomena
 - Currency exchange (exchange rate can be + or -)
 - Chemical reactions (can be exo- or endothermic)
 - ...



Bellman-Ford

- **Input:** Directed, weighted graph $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$, source node s
 - Possibly negative edge lengths $w_e \in \mathbb{R}$
 - No negative-length cycles!



- **Output:** Two arrays d, p
 - $d[u]$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
 - $p[u]$ is the final hop on shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path



Structure of Shortest Paths

- If $(u, v) \in E$, then $d(s, v) \leq d(s, u) + w(u, v)$ for every node $s \in V$

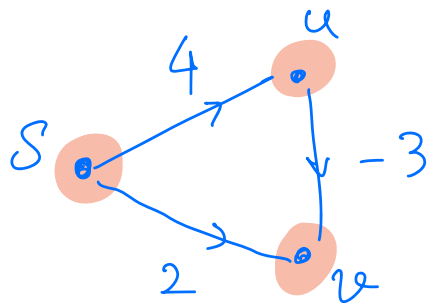


- If $(u, v) \in E$, and $d(s, v) = d(s, u) + w(u, v)$ then there is a shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ -path ending with (u, v)
- For every $v \neq s$, there exists an edge $(u, v) \in E$ such that $d(s, v) = d(s, u) + w(u, v)$



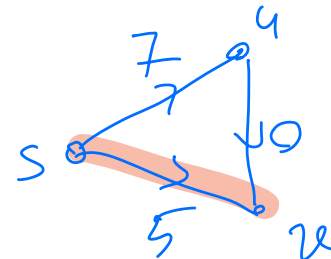
Ask the Audience

- Show that Dijkstra's Algorithm can fail in graphs with negative edge lengths (even without negative length cycles)



	s	u	v
d_0	0	∞	∞
d_1	0	4	2
d_2	0	4	2
d_3	0	4	2

- Why won't the following work?
 - Take a graph $G = (V, E, \{w(e)\})$ with negative lengths
 - Add $|\min w(e)|$ to all lengths to make them non-negative
 - Run Dijkstra's on the new graph



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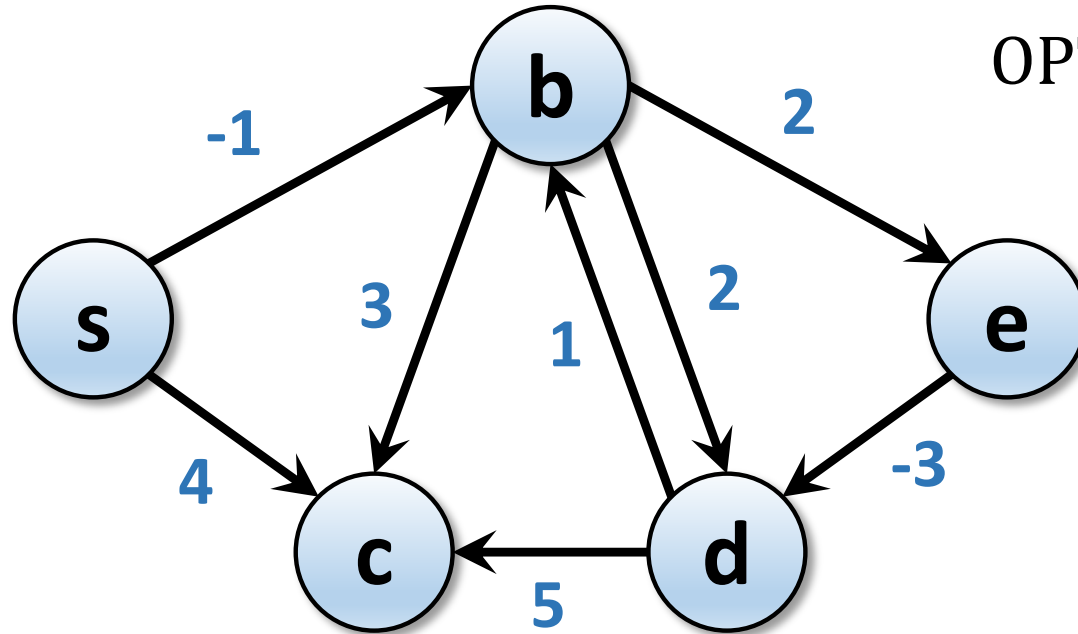
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Dynamic Programming

- **Subproblems:** Let $\text{OPT}(v)$ be the length of the shortest path from s to v
- For every v , the shortest path makes some final hop (u, v)
- Case u : the final hop is (u, v)
 - $\text{OPT}(v) = \text{OPT}(u) + w_{u,v}$
- Recurrence: $\min_u \text{OPT}(u) + w_{u,v}$



Bottom-Up Implementation?



$$\text{OPT}(v) = \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u) + w_{u,v} \}$$

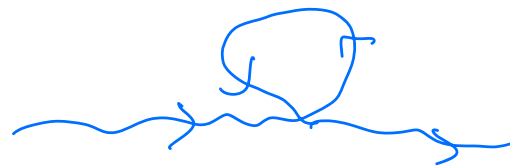
v	s	b	c	d	e
OPT(v)	0				



Dynamic Programming Take II

- **Subproblems:** Let $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ be the length of the shortest path from s to v with at most j hops $(0 \leq j \leq n - 1)$

Why $j \leq n - 1$? Suppose that there are $> n$ edges in the shortest path from s to v . This means there are at least $n+1$ vertices in the shortest path from s to v . By pigeonhole principle we visit a vertex twice at least \rightarrow a cycle. Because no negative cycles, we can shortcut the cycle.



Recurrence

- **Subproblems:** $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops
- **Case u:** (u, v) is final edge on the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops $\leftarrow \text{OPT}(v, j) = \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v}$
- **Recurrence:**

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j-1), \min_{u \rightarrow v} (\text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v}) \right\}$$



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$$\text{OPT}(s, 0) = 0$$

$$\text{OPT}(v, 0) = \infty \text{ for every } v \neq s$$



Finding the paths

- $\text{OPT}(v, j)$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops
- $P(v, j)$ is the last hop on some shortest $s \rightsquigarrow v$ path with at most j hops

Recurrence:

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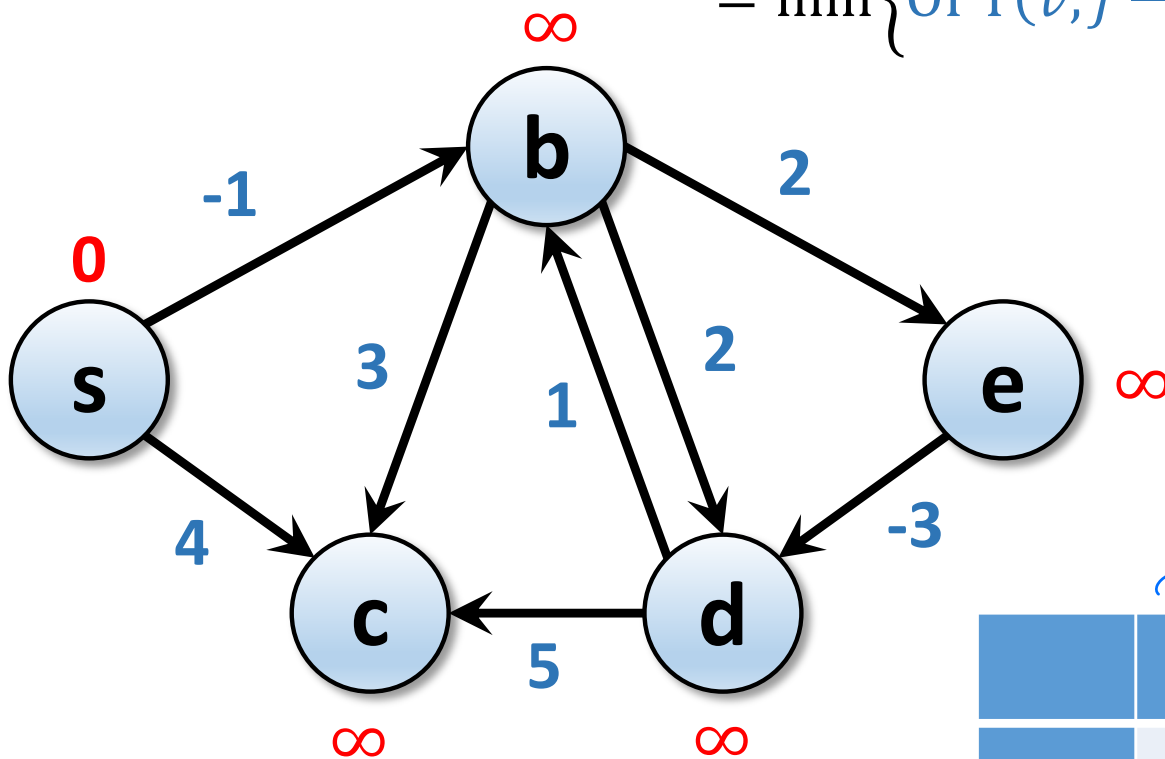
Finding $P(v, j)$: if $\text{OPT}(v, j) = \text{OPT}(v, j-1)$, then $P(v, j) = P(v, j-1)$
else if $\text{OPT}(v, j) = \text{OPT}(u, j-1) + w_{u,v}$ then
 $P(v, j) = u$.



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j)$$

$$= \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j - 1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j - 1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



vertices

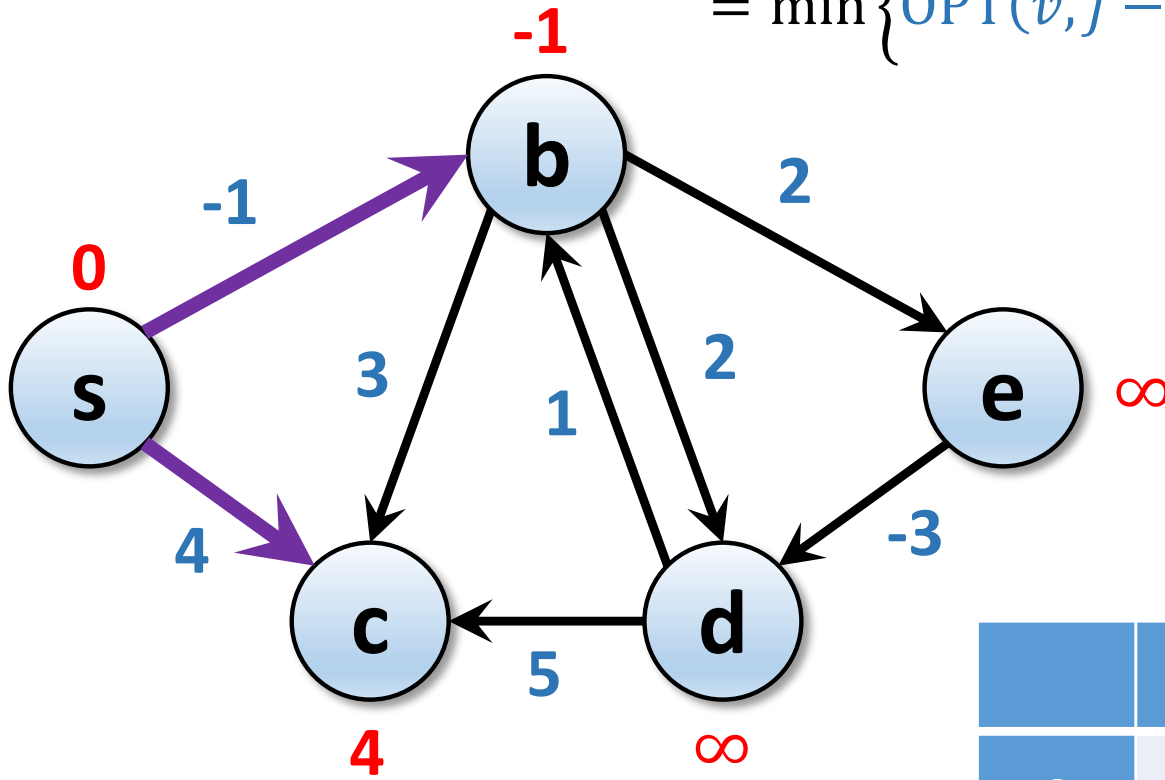
j

	0	1	2	3	4
s	0				
b	∞				
c	∞				
d	∞				
e	∞				



Example

$$OPT(v, j) = \min \left\{ OPT(v, j - 1), \min_{(u, v) \in E} \{ OPT(u, j - 1) + w_{u, v} \} \right\}$$



$$OPT(b, 1) = \min \{ OPT(b, 0), OPT(s, 0) + w_{s, b} = -1 \} = -1$$

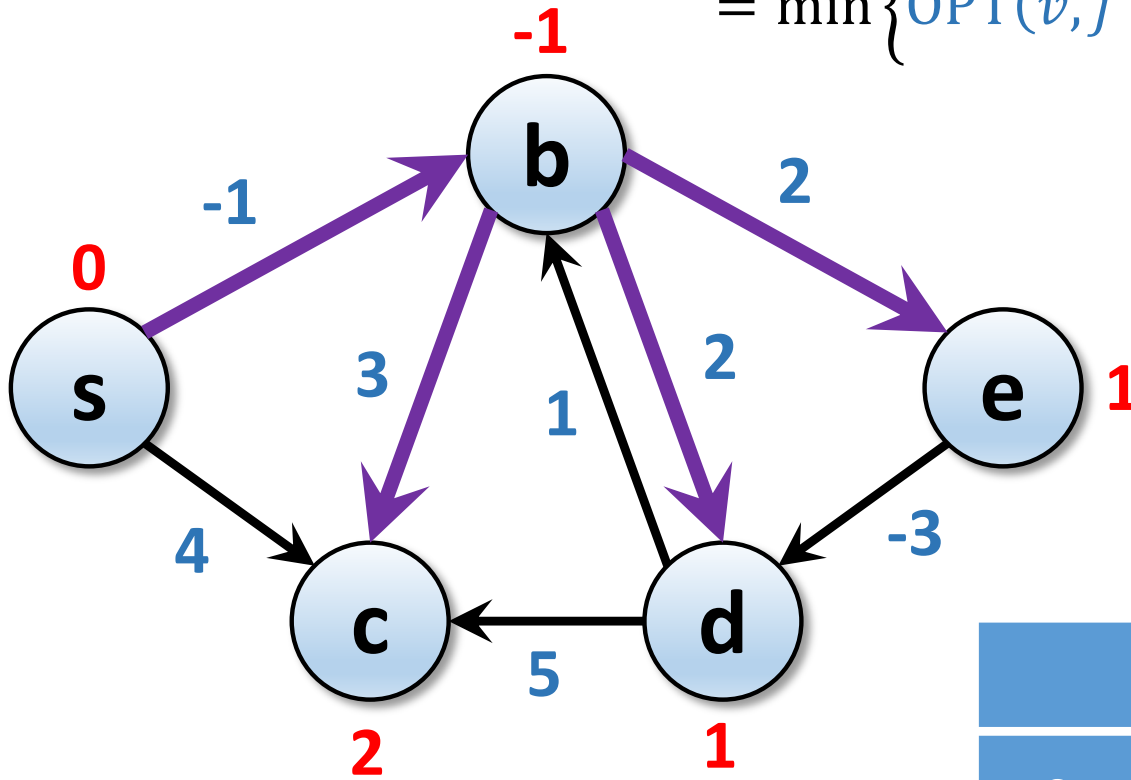
	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0			
b	∞	-1			
c	∞	4			
d	∞	∞			
e	∞	∞			



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j)$$

$$= \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j - 1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j - 1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



$$\min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{OPT}(b, 1) \\ \text{OPT}(s, 1) + w_{s,b} \\ \text{OPT}(d, 1) + w_{d,b} \end{array} \right\} = -1$$

$$\text{OPT}(c, 2) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(c, 1), \text{OPT}(s, 1) + w_{s,c}, \text{OPT}(b, 1) + w_{b,c}, \text{OPT}(d, 1) + w_{d,c} \right\} = 2$$

$$\text{OPT}(s, 1) + w_{s,c} = 4$$

$$\text{OPT}(b, 1) + w_{b,c} = 2$$

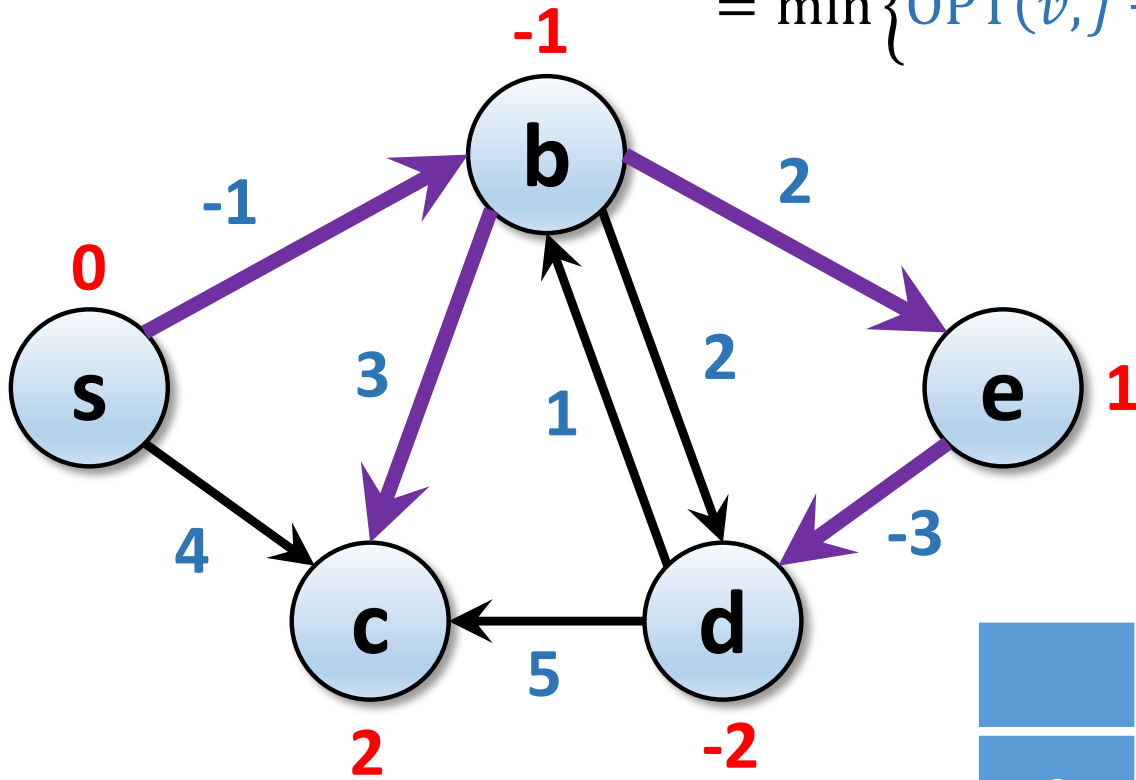
$$\text{OPT}(d, 1) + w_{d,c} = \infty$$

	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0	0		
b	∞	-1	-1		
c	∞	4	2		
d	∞	∞	1		
e	∞	∞	1		



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j) = \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j - 1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j - 1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



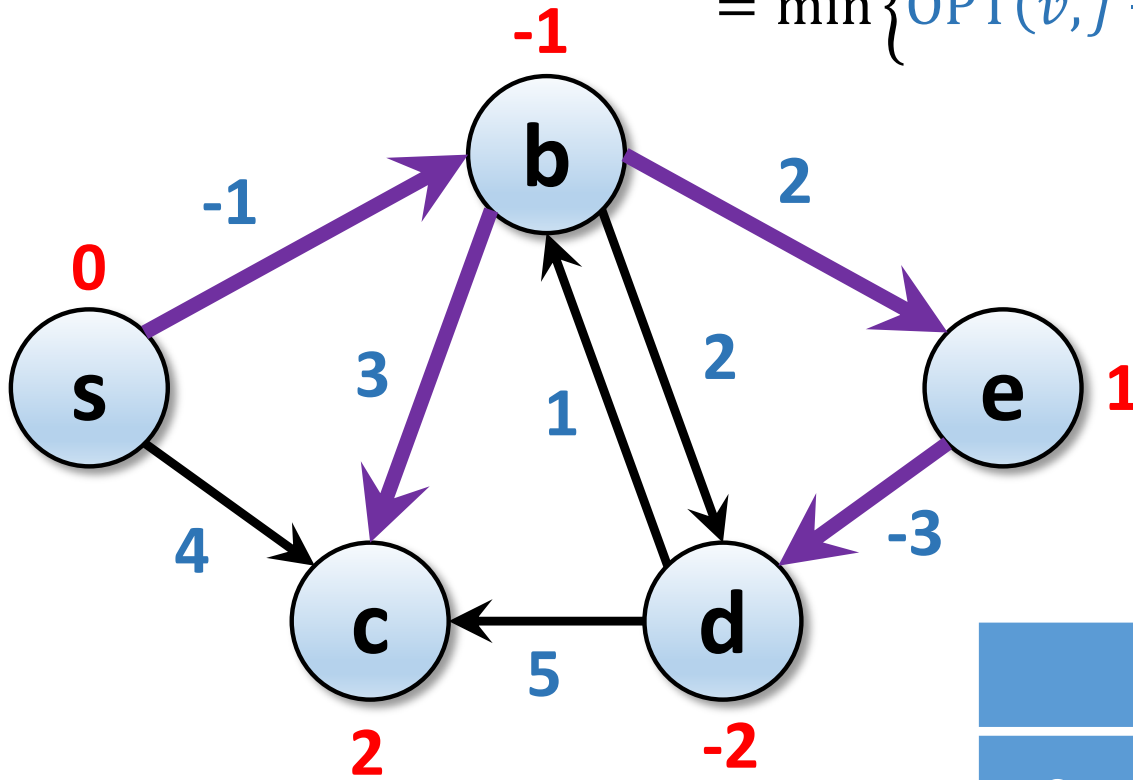
	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0	0	0	
b	∞	-1	-1	-1	
c	∞	4	2	2	
d	∞	∞	1	-2	
e	∞	∞	1	1	



Example

$$\text{OPT}(v, j)$$

$$= \min \left\{ \text{OPT}(v, j - 1), \min_{(u,v) \in E} \{ \text{OPT}(u, j - 1) + w_{u,v} \} \right\}$$



	0	1	2	3	4
s	0	0	0	0	0
b	∞	-1	-1	-1	-1
c	∞	4	2	2	2
d	∞	∞	1	-2	-2
e	∞	∞	1	1	1



Implementation (Bottom Up)

Shortest-Path(G, s)

foreach node $v \in V$

$D[v, 0] \leftarrow \infty$

$P[v, 0] \leftarrow \perp$

$D[s, 0] \leftarrow 0$

n times \rightarrow **for** $i = 1$ to $n-1$

foreach node $v \in V$

$D[v, i] \leftarrow D[v, i-1]$

$P[v, i] \leftarrow P[v, i-1]$

foreach edge $(u, v) \in E$

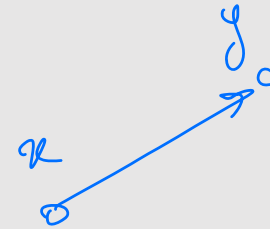
if ($D[u, i-1] + w_{uv} < D[v, i]$)

$D[v, i] \leftarrow D[u, i-1] + w_{uv}$

$P[v, i] \leftarrow u$

$\Theta(m+n)$
time

can be done in $\mathcal{O}(\deg^-(v))$
time by storing reverse
adj lists



Time: $\Theta(n(m+n))$.

Space: $\Theta(n^2)$ + storing the graph



Optimizations

- One array $d[v]$ containing shortest path found so far
 - Once you have $OPT(v, j)$, don't care about $OPT(v, j-1)$
- No need to check edges (u, v) unless $d[u]$ has changed
- Stop if no $d[v]$ has changed for a full pass through V

• **Time:** $\Theta(n(m+n))$

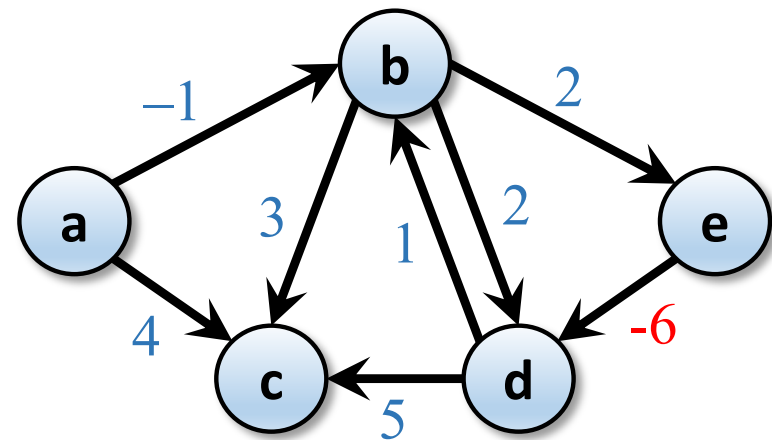
• **Space:** $O(n)$ + storing the graph



Negative Cycle Detection

- **Algorithm:**

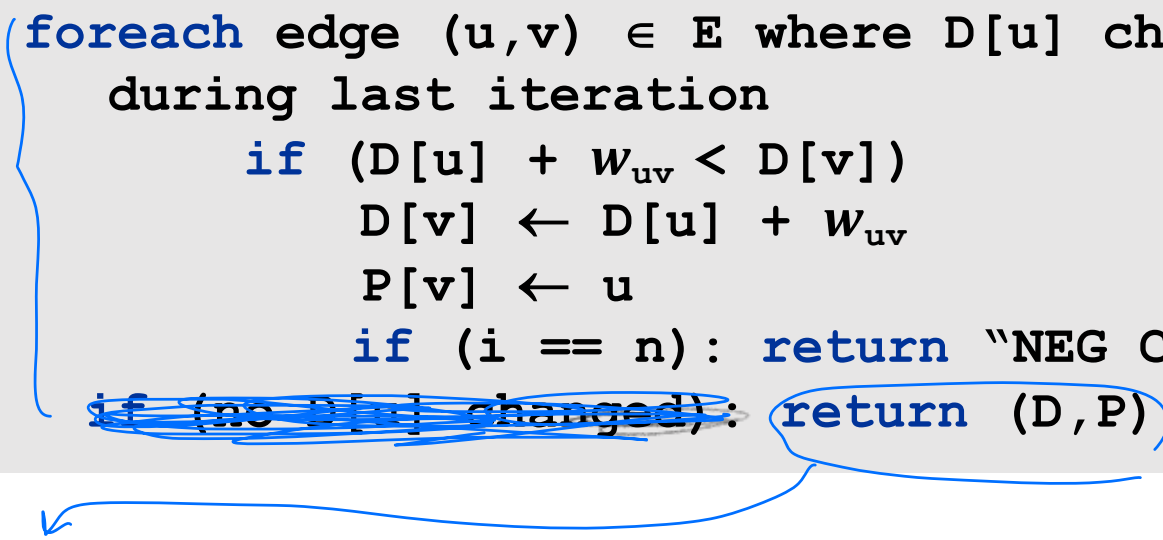
- Pick a node $s \in V$
- Run Bellman-Ford for n iterations
- Check if $OPT(v, n) < OPT(v, n - 1)$ for some $v \in V$
 - If no, then there are no negative cycles
 - If yes, the shortest $s - v$ path contains a negative cycle



Optimized Implementation w/ Negative Cycle Detection

```
Efficient-Shortest-Path(G, s)
  foreach node v ∈ V
    D[v] ← ∞
    P[v] ← ⊥
  D[s] ← 0

  for i = 1 to n
    foreach edge (u,v) ∈ E where D[u] changed
      during last iteration
        if (D[u] + wuv < D[v])
          D[v] ← D[u] + wuv
          P[v] ← u
          if (i == n): return "NEG CYCLE"
    if (no D[u] changed): return (D, P)
```



Shortest Paths Summary

- **Input:** Directed, weighted graph $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$, source node s
- **Output:** Two arrays d, p
 - $d[u]$ is the length of the shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
 - $p[u]$ is the final hop on shortest $s \rightsquigarrow u$ path
- **Non-negative lengths:** Dijkstra's Algorithm solves in $O(m \log n)$ time
- **Negative lengths:** Bellman-Ford solves in $O(nm)$ time, or finds a negative cycle

$$\rightarrow O(m \log^8 n).$$

