

GRAPHS: SHORTEST PATHS

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Admin

Last quiz!

Last assignment due next Friday (5/7)

Next week:

- Tuesday: balanced trees
- Wednesday: course feedback forms, ethics discussion, work session
- Thursday: recap/review

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Shortest paths

What is the shortest path from a to d?

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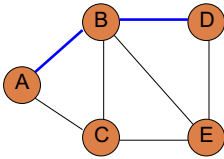
Shortest paths

How can we find this?

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Shortest paths

BFS visits vertices in increasing distance!



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BFS with distances

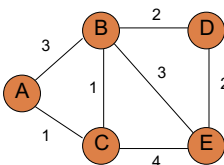
Look at ShortestPaths.bfsDistances in GraphExamples

<https://github.com/pomonacs622021sp/LectureCode/tree/master/GraphExamples>

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Shortest paths

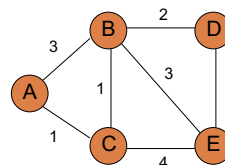
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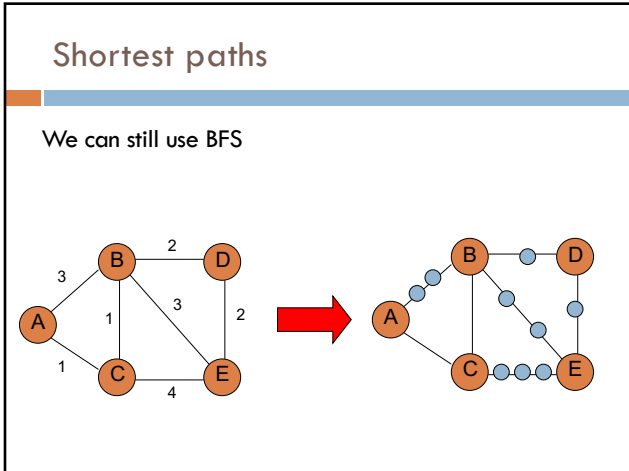
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Shortest paths

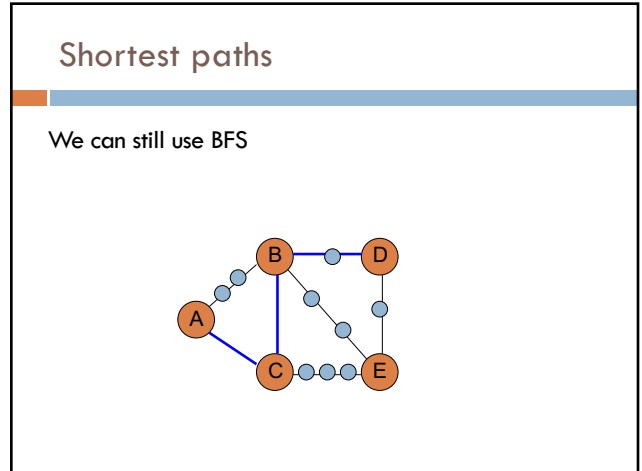
We can still use BFS



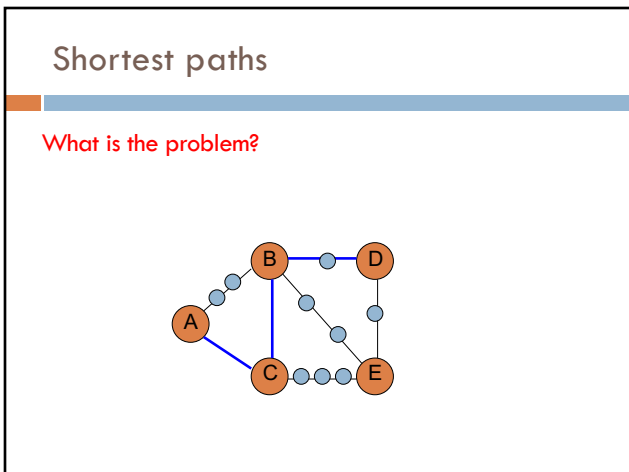
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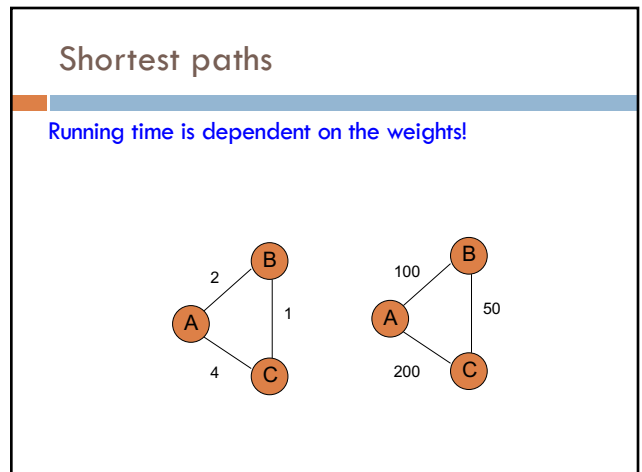
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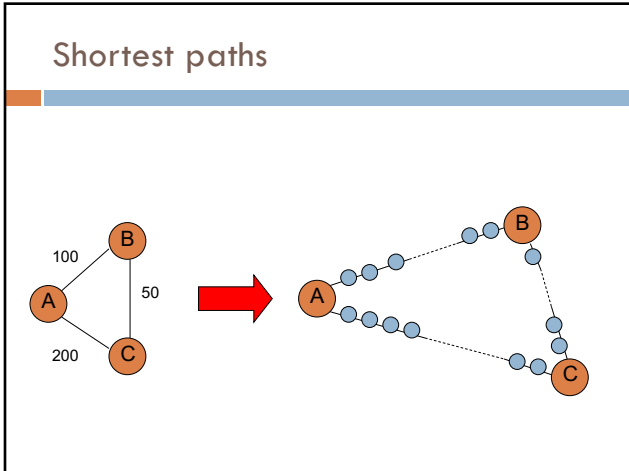
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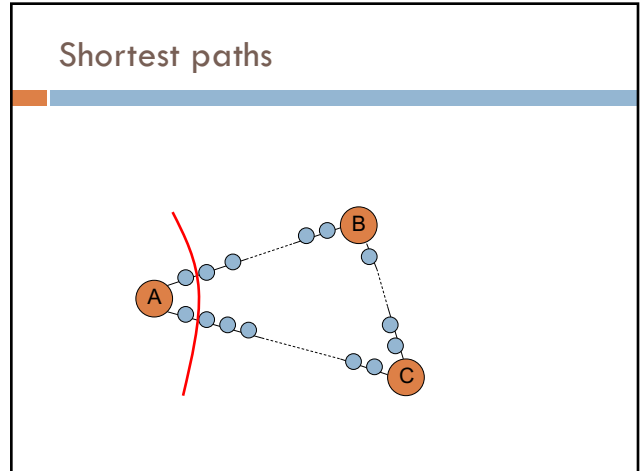
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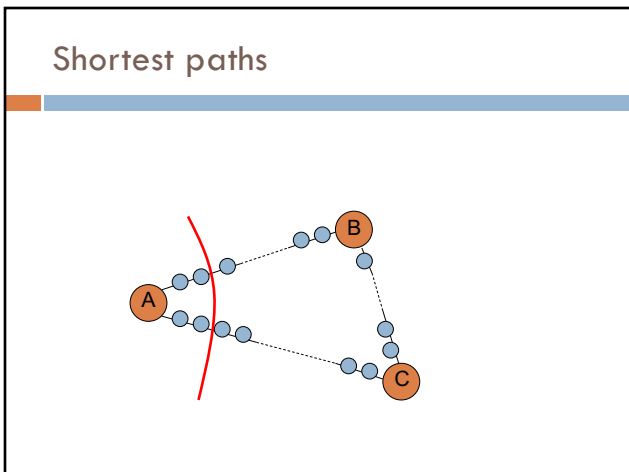
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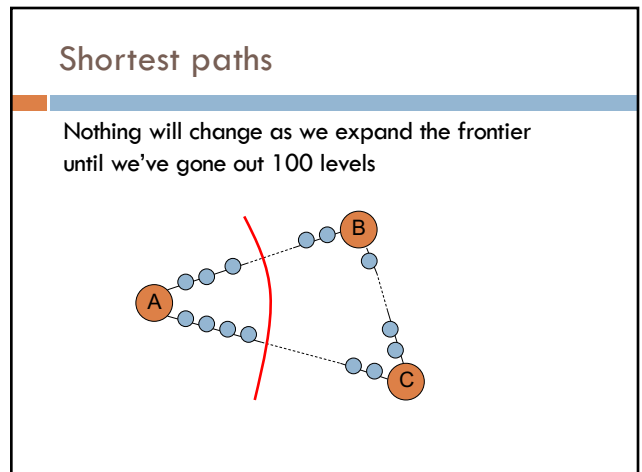
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Key idea

Explore the vertices in order of increasing distance from the starting vertex

Keep track of the distances to each vertex

If we find a better path, update that distance

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Dijkstra's high-level

Explore the vertices in order of increasing distance from the starting vertex

Use a priority queue to keep track of the shortest path found so far to a vertex

Initialize: distance to start = 0 and all others infinity

repeat

 get vertex v with shortest distance

 for each vertex, adj , adjacent to v (edge exists $v \rightarrow adj$)
 if path $v \rightarrow adj$ is shortest then best path for adj so far
 update the distance for adj
 update the priority queue

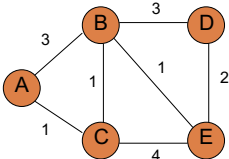
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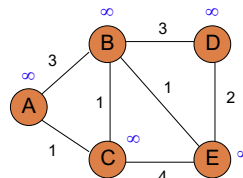
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PQ

A	0
B	∞
C	∞
D	∞
E	∞

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C	1
B	3
D	∞
E	∞

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B	2
D	∞
E	∞

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E	5
D	∞

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E	5
D	∞

Frontier?

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E	5
D	∞

All nodes reachable from starting node within a given distance

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E	3
D	5

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for each vertex, **adj**, adjacent to **v** (edge exists **v** → **adj**)
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update the priority queue

PQ

D 5

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PQ

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Dijkstra's algorithm

```

public static void dijkstra(WeightedGraph g, int start) {
    IndexMinPQ<Double> pq = new IndexMinPQ<Double>(g.numberOfVertices());
    int[] edgeTo = new int[g.numberOfVertices()];
    double[] distTo = new double[g.numberOfVertices()];

    for (int v = 0; v < g.numberOfVertices(); v++) {
        distTo[v] = Double.POSITIVE_INFINITY;
        pq.insert(v, Double.POSITIVE_INFINITY);
    }

    distTo[start] = 0.0;
    pq.decreaseKey(start, 0.0);

    // relax vertices in order of distance from s
    while (!pq.isEmpty()) {
        int v = pq.deMin();

        for (WeightedEdge e : g.adj(v)) {
            int adj = e.to();

            if (distTo[v] + e.weight() < distTo[adj]) {
                distTo[adj] = distTo[v] + e.weight();
                edgeTo[adj] = v;
                pq.decreaseKey(adj, distTo[adj]);
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        }
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}
    
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        }
    }
}

```

BFS

```

q.addLast(start);
visited[start] = true;
distTo[start] = 0;
while( !q.isEmpty() ) {
    int v = q.removeFirst();
    for( int adj : g.adj(v) ) {
        if( !visited[adj] ) {
            visited[adj] = true;
            edgeTo[adj] = v;
            distTo[adj] = distTo[v] + 1;
            q.addLast(adj);
        }
    }
}

```

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Dijkstra example

Look at ShortestPaths.dijkstra in GraphExamples

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Why does it work?

When a vertex is removed from the priority queue, $\text{distTo}[v]$ is the actual shortest distance from s to v

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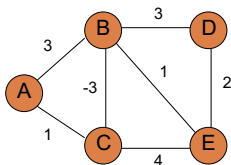
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Does this make any assumptions?

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What about this graph?

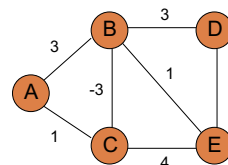
What's the shortest path from A to C?
What would Dijkstra's do?



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What about this graph?

Dijkstra's only works on graphs with positive edge weights



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Assuming no negative edge weights!

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Relaxing an edge

This update is called "relaxing" an edge

```

if( distTo[v] + e.weight() < distTo[adj] ) {
    distTo[adj] = distTo[v] + e.weight();
    edgeTo[adj] = v;
    pq.decreaseKey(adj, distTo[adj]);
}
  
```

We can apply this to an edge as many times as we want

This idea is used in other shortest paths algorithms (e.g., Bellman-Ford)

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```

public static void fasterDijkstra(WeightedGraph g, int start) {
    IndexMinPQ<Double> pq = new IndexMinPQ<Double>(g.numberOfVertices());
    int[] edgeTo = new int[g.numberOfVertices()];
    double[] distTo = new double[g.numberOfVertices()];

    for( int v = 0; v < g.numberOfVertices(); v++ ) {
        distTo[v] = Double.POSITIVE_INFINITY;    don't insert everything into pq
    }

    distTo[start] = 0.0;
    pq.insert(start, 0.0);                      only insert starting vertex

    while( !pq.isEmpty() ) {
        int v = pq.delMin();

        for( WeightedEdge e : g.adj(v) ) {
            int adj = e.to();

            if( distTo[v] + e.weight() < distTo[adj] ) {
                distTo[adj] = distTo[v] + e.weight();
                edgeTo[adj] = v;

                if( pq.contains(adj) ) {
                    pq.decreaseKey(adj, distTo[adj]);
                } else {
                    pq.insert(adj, distTo[adj]);    insert when we discover a vertex
                }
            }
        }
    }
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Run-time

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}
    
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V calls

E calls

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Running time?

Depends on the heap implementation

	V * delMin	E * decreaseKey	Total
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Fib heap	$O(V \log V)$	$O(E)$	$O(V \log V + E)$

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Shortest paths

Dijkstra's: single source shortest paths for positive edge weight graphs

What is single source?

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Shortest paths

Dijkstra's: single source shortest paths for positive edge weight graphs

Many other variants:

- graphs with negative edges
- all pairs shortest paths
- ...

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