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CSE 421

Longest Path in a DAG, LIS, Shortest Path with Negative Weights

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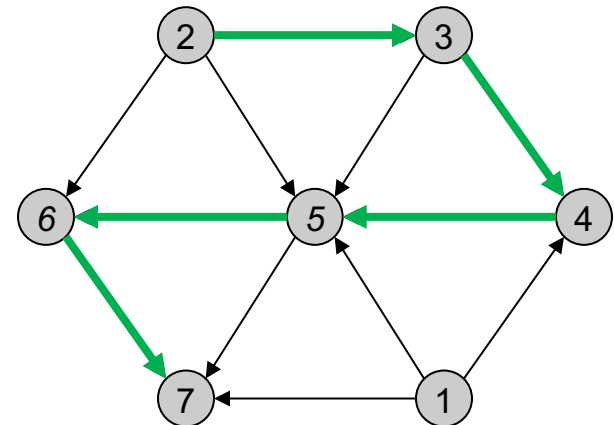
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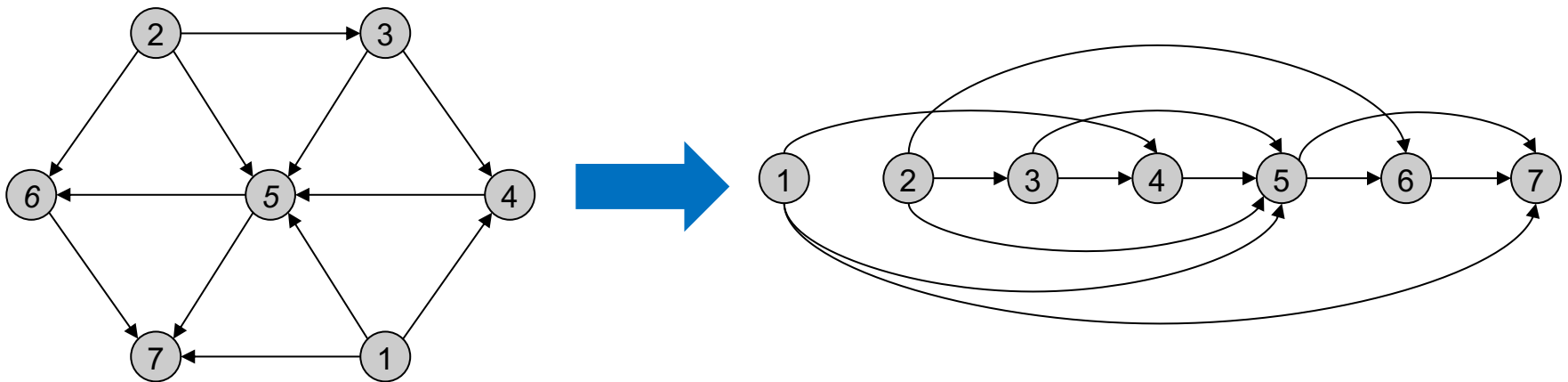


DP for Longest Path in a DAG

Q: What is the right **ordering**?

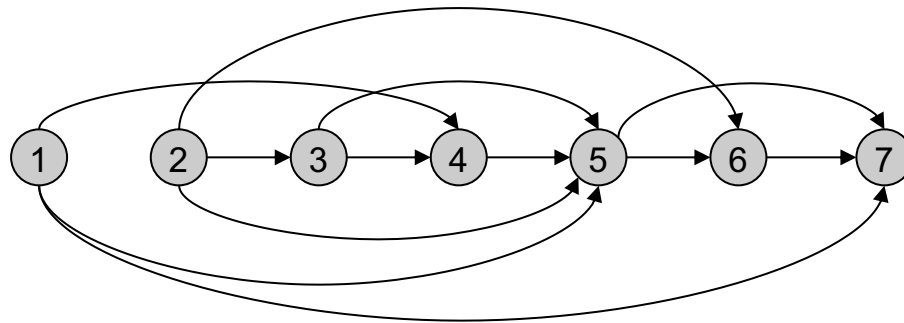
Remember, we have to use that G is a DAG, ideally in defining the ordering

We saw that every DAG has a **topological sorting**
So, let's use that as an ordering.



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Suppose in the longest path ending at j , last edge is (i, j) .

Then, **none** of the $i + 1, \dots, j - 1$ are in this path since topological ordering. So,

$$OPT(j) = OPT(i) + 1.$$

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Let G be a DAG given with a topological sorting: For all edges (i, j) we have $i < j$.

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Compute-OPT(j) {
  if (in-degree(j) == 0)
    return 0
  if (M[j] == empty)
    M[j] = 0;
  for all edges (i, j)
    M[j] = max(M[j], 1 + Compute-OPT(i))
  return M[j]
}
Output max(M[1], ..., M[n])
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Running Time: $O(n + m)$

Memory: $O(n)$

Can we output the longest path?

Outputting the Longest Path

Let G be a DAG given with a topological sorting: For all edges (i, j) we have $i < j$.

Initialize $\text{Parent}[j] = -1$ for all j .

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return 0

if ($M[j] == \text{empty}$)

$M[j] = 0$;

for all edges (i, j)

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return $M[j]$

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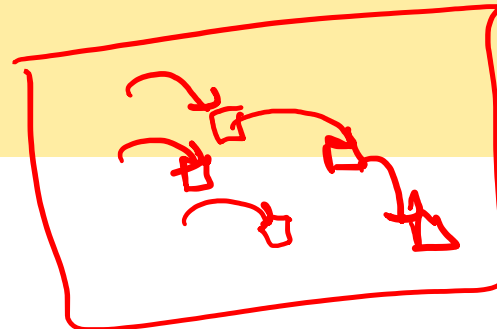
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 Print k

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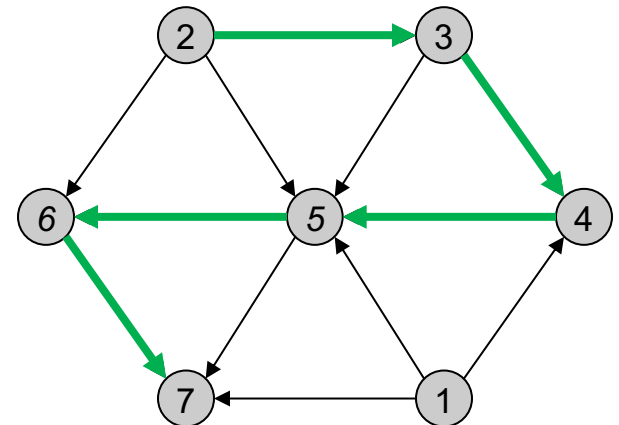
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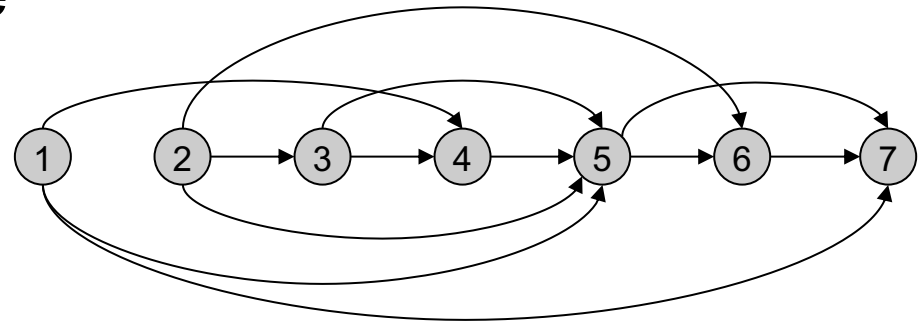
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Suppose $OPT(j)$ is $(i_1, i_2), (i_2, i_3), \dots, (i_{k-1}, i_k), (i_k, j)$, then

Obs 1: $i_1 \leq i_2 \leq \dots \leq i_k \leq j$.

Obs 2: $(i_1, i_2), (i_2, i_3), \dots, (i_{k-1}, i_k)$ is the longest path ending at i_k .

$$OPT(j) = 1 + OPT(i_k).$$

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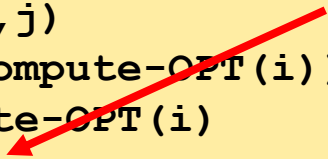
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Given a sequence of numbers

Find the longest increasing subsequence

41, 22, 9, 15, 23, 39, 21, 56, 24, 34, 59, 23, 60, 39, 87, 23, 90



41, 22, **9, 15, 23**, 39, 21, 56, **24, 34, 59**, 23, **60**, 39, **87**, 23, 90

$OPT(i)$ length of longest inc subseq ending at i .

$$OPT(i) = \max_{\substack{j: j < i \\ a_j < a_i}} OPT(j) + 1.$$

DP for LIS

Let $OPT(j)$ be the longest increasing subsequence ending at j .

Observation: Suppose the $OPT(j)$ is the sequence

$$x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}, x_j$$

Then, $x_{i_1}, x_{i_2}, \dots, x_{i_k}$ is the longest increasing subsequence ending at x_{i_k} , i.e., $OPT(j) = 1 + OPT(i_k)$

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{If } x_j > x_i \text{ for all } i < j \\ 1 + \max_{i: x_i < x_j} OPT(i) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

Remark: This is a special case of Longest path in a DAG: Construct a graph $1, \dots, n$ where (i, j) is an edge if $i < j$ and $x_i < x_j$.

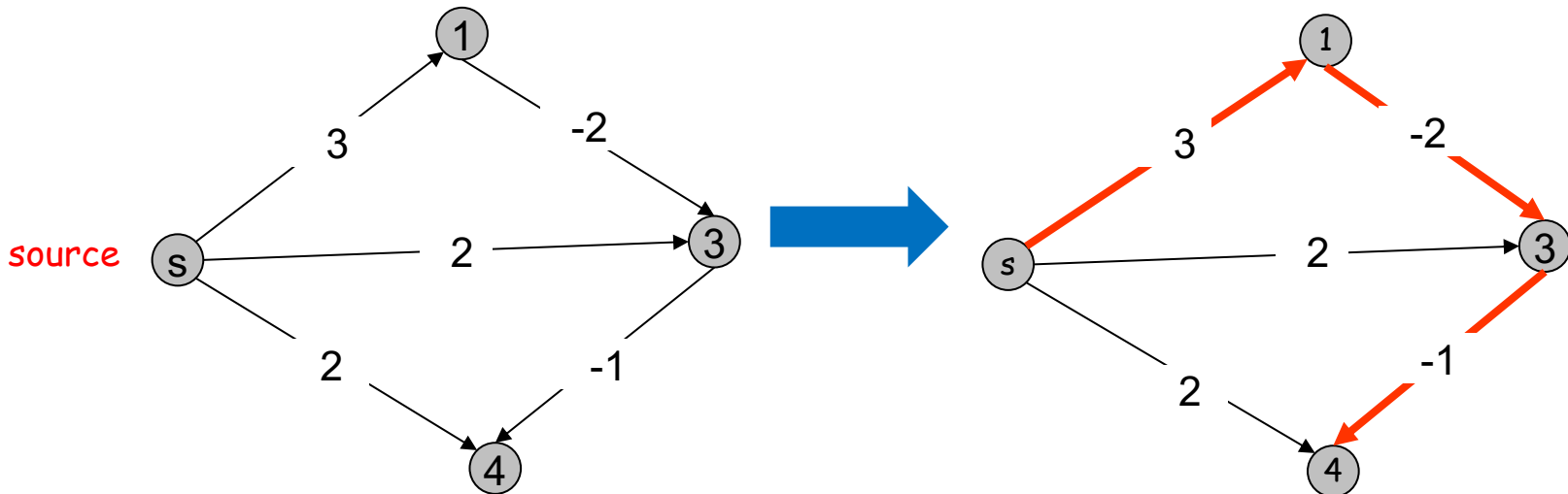
Shortest Paths with Negative Edge Weights

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Given a weighted directed graph $G = (V, E)$ and a source vertex s , where the weight of edge (u,v) is $c_{u,v}$

Goal: Find the shortest path from s to all vertices of G .

Recall that Dijkstra's Algorithm fails when weights are negative

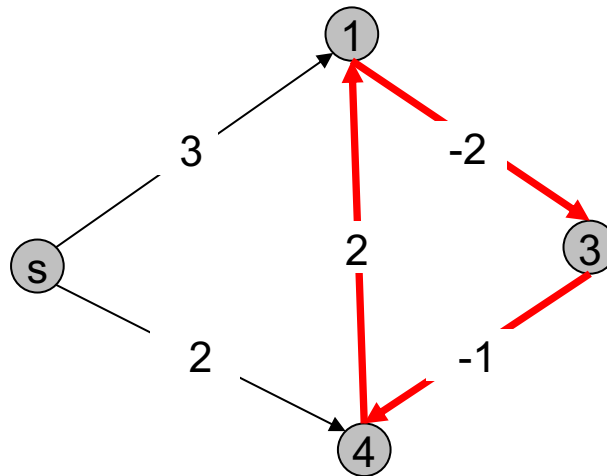


Impossibility on Graphs with Neg Cycles

Observation: No solution exists if G has a negative cycle.

This is because we can minimize the length by going over the cycle again and again.

So, suppose G does not have a negative cycle.



DP for Shortest Path

Def: Let $OPT(v, i)$ be the length of the shortest $s - v$ path with **at most i edges**.

Let us characterize $OPT(v, i)$.

Case 1: $OPT(v, i)$ path has less than i edges.

- Then, $OPT(v, i) = OPT(v, i - 1)$.

Case 2: $OPT(v, i)$ path has exactly i edges.

- Let $s, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{i-1}, v$ be the $OPT(v, i)$ path with i edges.
- Then, s, v_1, \dots, v_{i-1} must be the shortest $s - v_{i-1}$ path with at most $i - 1$ edges. So,

$$OPT(v, i) = OPT(v_{i-1}, i - 1) + c_{v_{i-1}, v}$$

DP for Shortest Path

Def: Let $OPT(v, i)$ be the length of the shortest $s - v$ path with **at most i edges**.

$$OPT(v, i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v = s \\ \infty & \text{if } v \neq s, i = 0 \\ \min(OPT(v, i - 1), \min_{u:(u,v) \text{ an edge}} OPT(u, i - 1) + c_{u,v}) & \end{cases}$$

So, for every v , $OPT(v, ?)$ is the shortest path from s to v .

But how long do we have to run?

Since G has no negative cycle, it has at most $n - 1$ edges. So, $OPT(v, n - 1)$ is the answer.

Bellman Ford Algorithm

```
for v=1 to n
  if v ≠ s then
    M[v,0]=∞
M[s,0]=0.

for i=1 to n-1
  for v=1 to n
    M[v,i]=M[v,i-1]
    for every edge (u,v)
      M[v,i]=min(M[v,i], M[u,i-1]+cu,v)
```

Running Time: $O(nm)$

Can we test if G has negative cycles?

Yes, run for $i=1 \dots 3n$ and see if the $M[v,n-1]$ is different from $M[v,3n]$

DP Techniques Summary

Recipe:

- Follow the natural induction proof.
- Find out additional assumptions/variables/subproblems that you need to do the induction
- Strengthen the hypothesis and define w.r.t. new subproblems

Dynamic programming techniques.

- Whenever a problem is a special case of an NP-hard problem an ordering is important:
- Adding a new variable: knapsack.
- Dynamic programming over intervals: RNA secondary structure.

Top-down vs. bottom-up:

- Different people have different intuitions
- Bottom-up is useful to optimize the memory