CSE 421

Dynamic Programming

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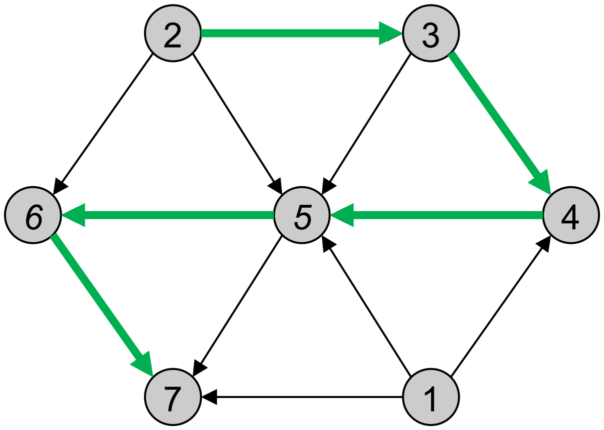
Goal: Given a DAG G, find the longest path.

Recall: A directed graph G is a DAG if it has no cycle.

This problem is NP-hard for general directed graphs:

- It has the Hamiltonian Path as a special case



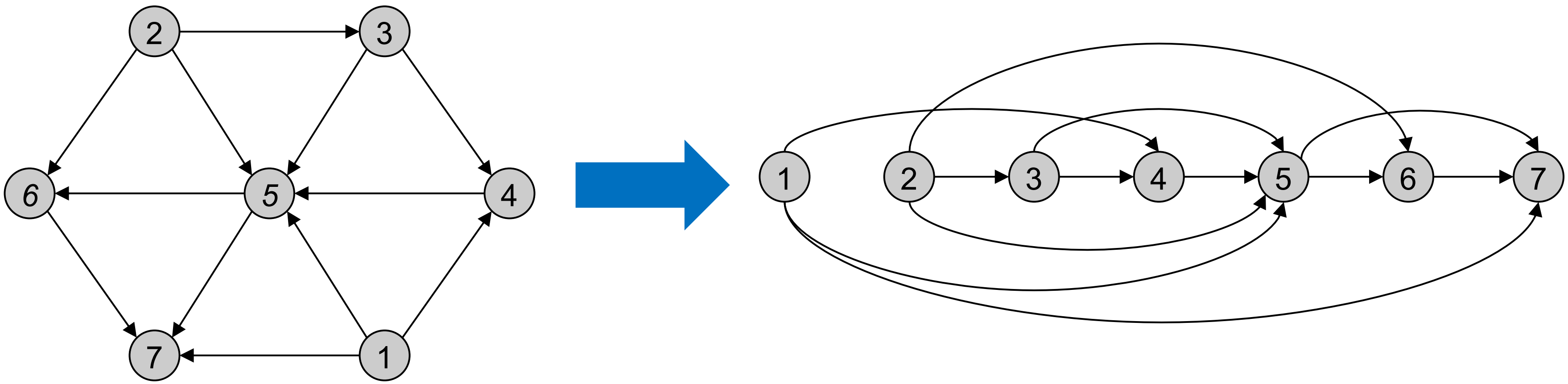
DP for Longest Path in a DAG

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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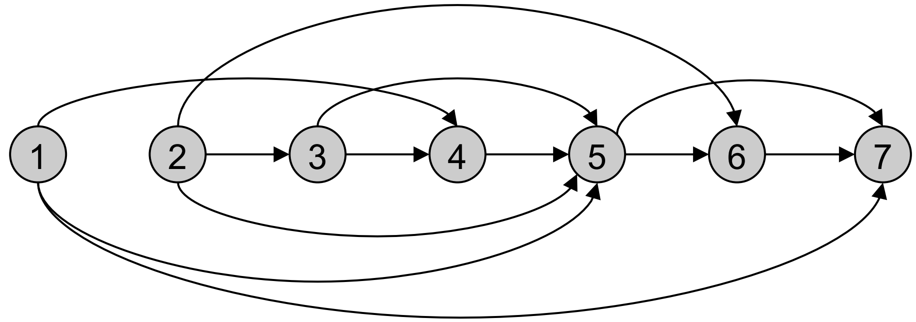

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Suppose in the longest path ending at j, last edge is (i, j).

Then, none of the $i + 1, \dots, j - 1$ are in this path since topological ordering. Furthermore the path ending at i must be the longest path ending at i,

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

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Let $OPT(j)$ = length of the longest path ending at j

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{If } j \text{ is a source} \\ 1 + \max_{i:(i,j) \text{ an edge}} OPT(i) & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

DP for Longest Path in a DAG

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

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

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Let G be a DAG given with a topological sorting: For all edges
(i,j) we have i<j.
Initialize Parent[j]=-1 for all j.
Compute-OPT(j){
   if (in-degree(j)==0)
     return 0
   if (M[j]==empty)
     M[j]=0;
     for all edges (i,j)
       if (M[j] < 1+Compute-OPT(i))
         M[j]=1+Compute-OPT(i)
         Parent[j]=i
   return M[j]
}
Let M[k] be the maximum of M[1],…,M[n]
While (Parent[k]!=-1)
   Print k
   k=Parent[k]
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Record the entry that we used to compute OPT(j)

Longest Increasing Subsequence

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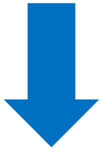
Given a sequence of numbers

Find the longest increasing subsequence

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



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

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

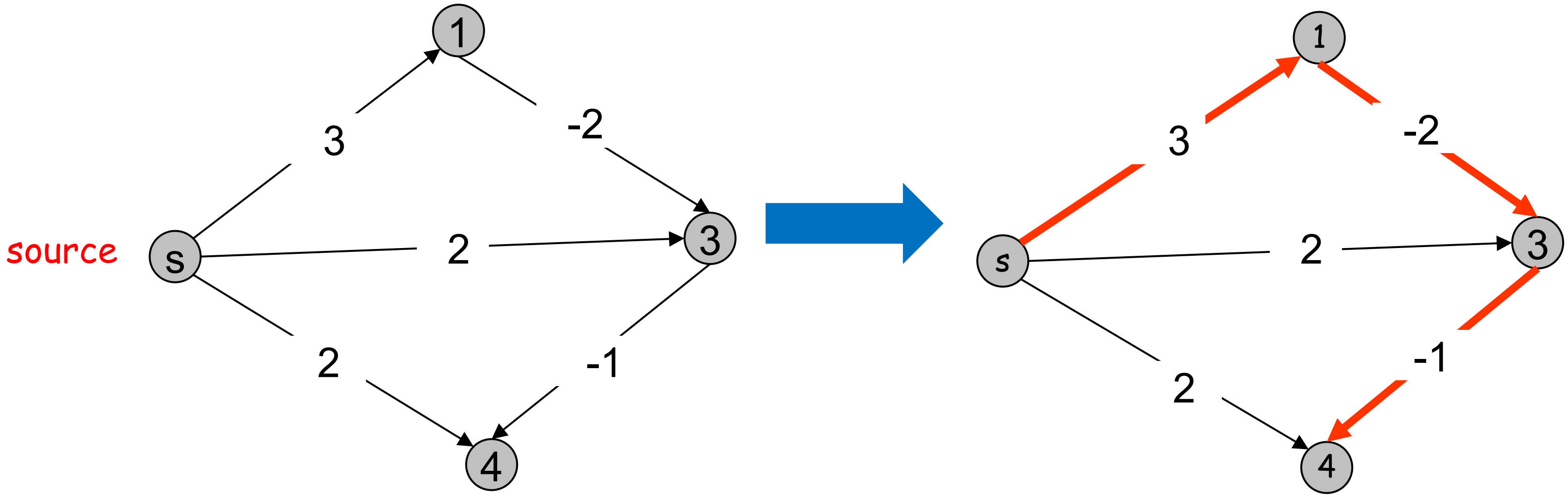
Remark: This is a special case of Longest path in a DAG: Construct a graph 1,…n where (i, j) is an edge if $i < j$ and $x_i < x_j$.

Shortest Paths with Negative Edge Weights

Shortest Paths with Neg Edge Weights

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.

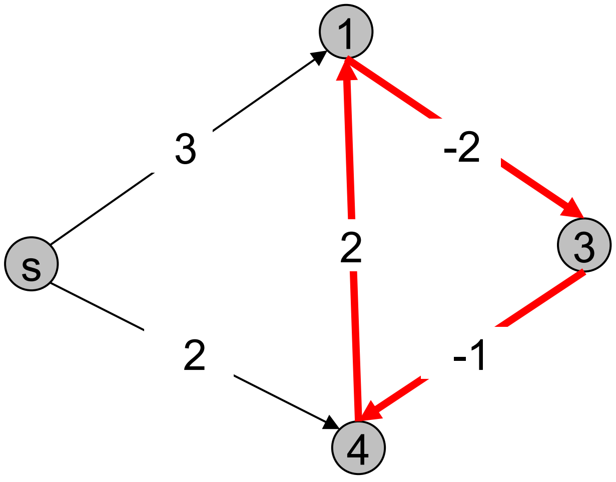


Impossibility on Graphs with Neg Cycles

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.

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

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

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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)
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Running Time: $O(nm)$

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Yes, run for i=1…2n and see if the M[v,n-1] is different from M[v,2n]

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