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Lemma 1: At the end of every iteration
if $u \in R$, then P_u is a shortest $s-u$ path

(unique) $s-u$ path in the Dijkstra tree

Pf (idea) By induction on $|R|$

Base case: $|R| = 1 \Rightarrow R = \{s\}$, $d(s) = 0 \checkmark$
 $P_s = s$

I.H.: Assume lemma is true for ~~all~~ $|R| = k$ for some $k \geq 1$

I.S.: Prove the lemma $|R| = k+1$ $k \geq 1$

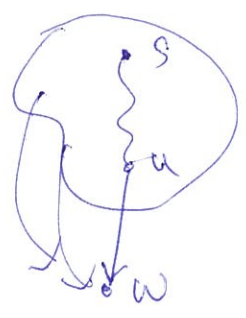
Let w be the $(k+1)^{th}$ vertex added to R .

\hookrightarrow for all $u \neq w \in R$, P_u being a shortest $s-u$ path follows from I.H.

Goal: P_w is a shortest $s-w$ path.

\rightarrow Assume w was "discarded" / added to R because of the edge (u,w)

$P_w = P_u, (u,w)$



Claim: \downarrow is a shortest $s-w$ path.

Pf (idea) By contradiction

(Think of state of algo just before w is added)

\rightarrow Assume \exists an $s-w$ path $P'_w \neq P_w$ s.t.

$l(P'_w) < l(P_w) \quad (*)$

Since $w \notin R$ and $s \in R$

$\Rightarrow P'_w$ has to "cross" R

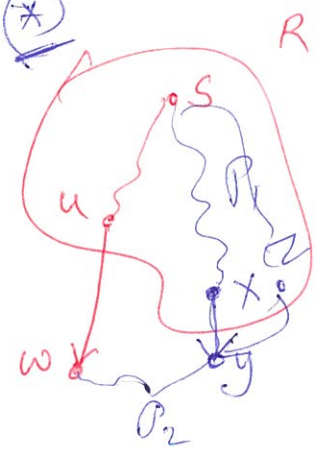
$\Rightarrow P'_w = P_1, (x,y), P_2$

$l(P'_w) = l(P_1) + l(x,y) + l(P_2)$

By I.H. $d(x)$ is len of shortest $s-u$ path

$\geq d(x) + l(x,y) + l(P_2)$

$\geq d'(y)$ (by defn of $d'(-)$)



$$\geq d'(y) + \underbrace{l(e)}_{\geq 0} \quad \text{all } l_e \geq 0 \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} a+b \geq b \\ \text{if } a \geq 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Dijkstra choose
to add w
instead of y
to R

At the end
of $(k+1)$ iterations

$$\geq d'(y)$$

$$\geq d'(w)$$

$$= d(w) = l(P_w)$$

$$\Rightarrow l(P_w) \geq l(P_w)$$

contradiction (*) \square