

Lecture 18

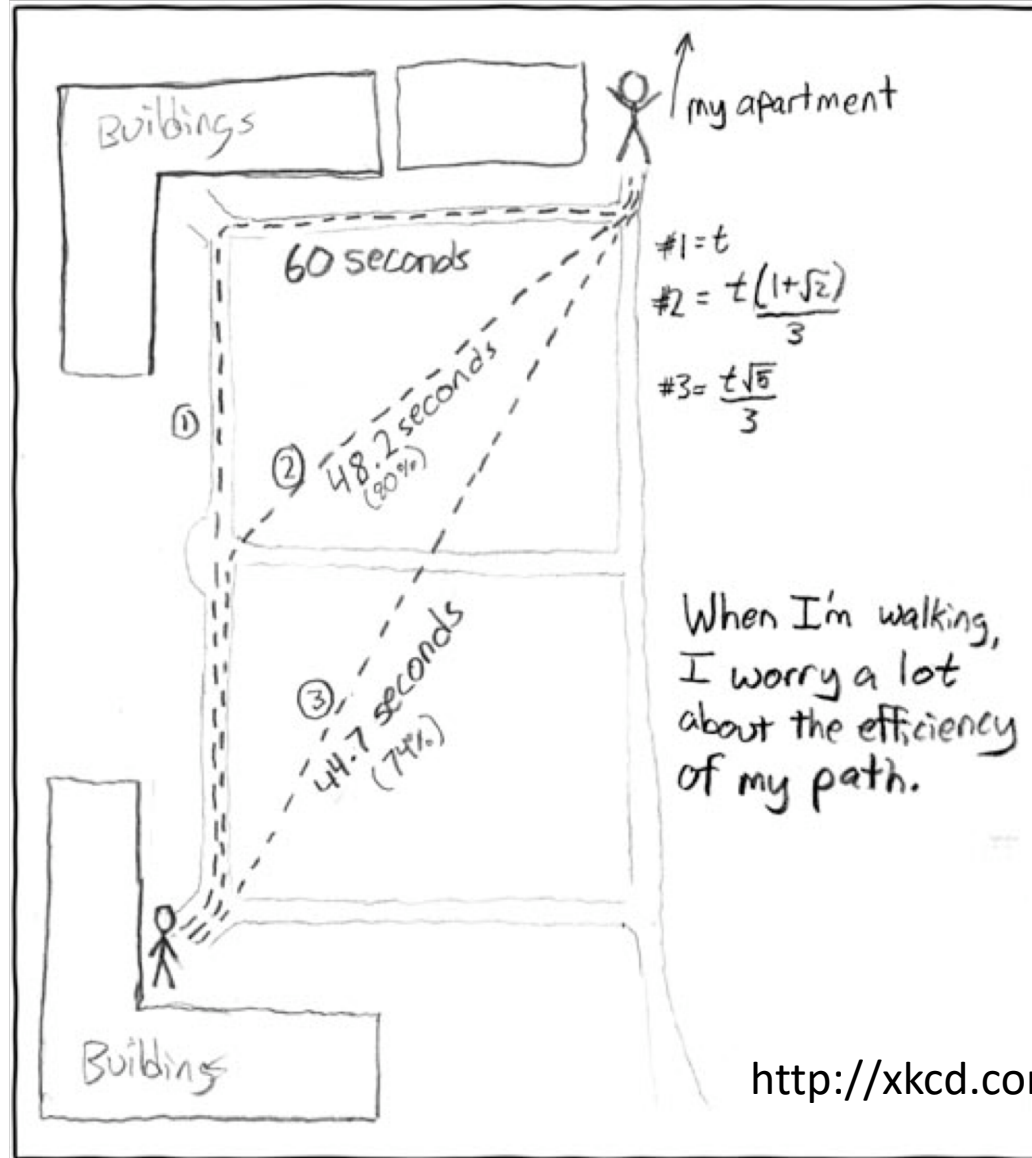
CSE 331

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Quiz starts at **2:00pm**
and ends at **2:10pm**

Lecture starts
at 2:15pm

Shortest Path Problem



Another more important application

Is BGP a known acronym for you?



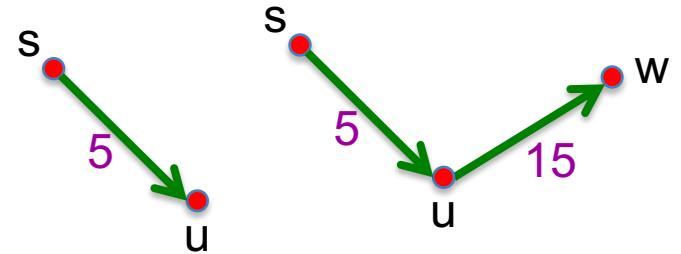
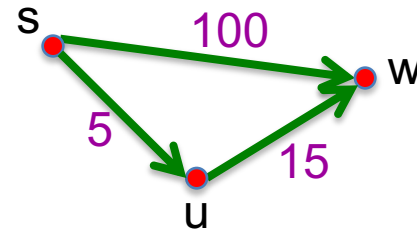
Routing uses shortest path algorithm

Shortest Path problem

Input: *Directed* graph $G=(V,E)$

Edge lengths, l_e for e in E

“start” vertex s in V



Output: Length of shortest paths from s to all nodes in V

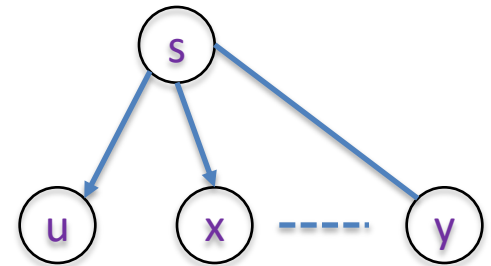
Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm



Towards Dijkstra's algo: part 1

Determine $d(t)$ one by one

$$d(s) = 0$$



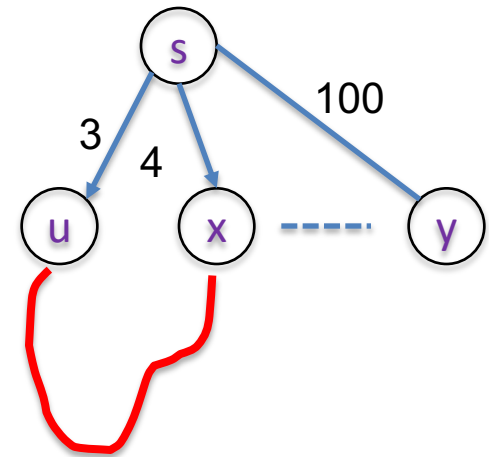
Towards Dijkstra's algo: part 2

Determine $d(t)$ one by one

Let u be a neighbor of s with smallest $l_{(s,u)}$

$$d(u) = l_{(s,u)}$$

Not making any claim
on other vertices



Length of  is ≥ 0

Towards Dijkstra's algo: part 3

Determine $d(t)$ one by one

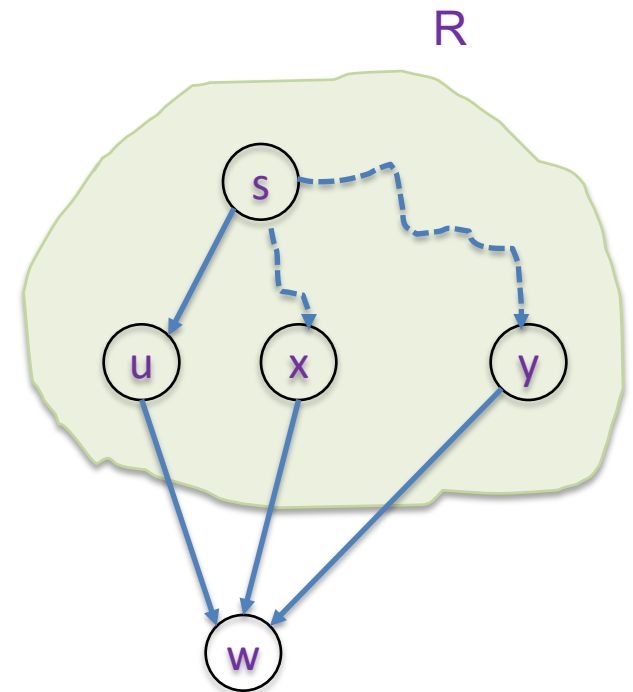
Assume we know $d(v)$ for every v in R

Compute an upper bound $d'(w)$ for every w not in R

$$d(w) \leq d(u) + l_{(u,w)}$$

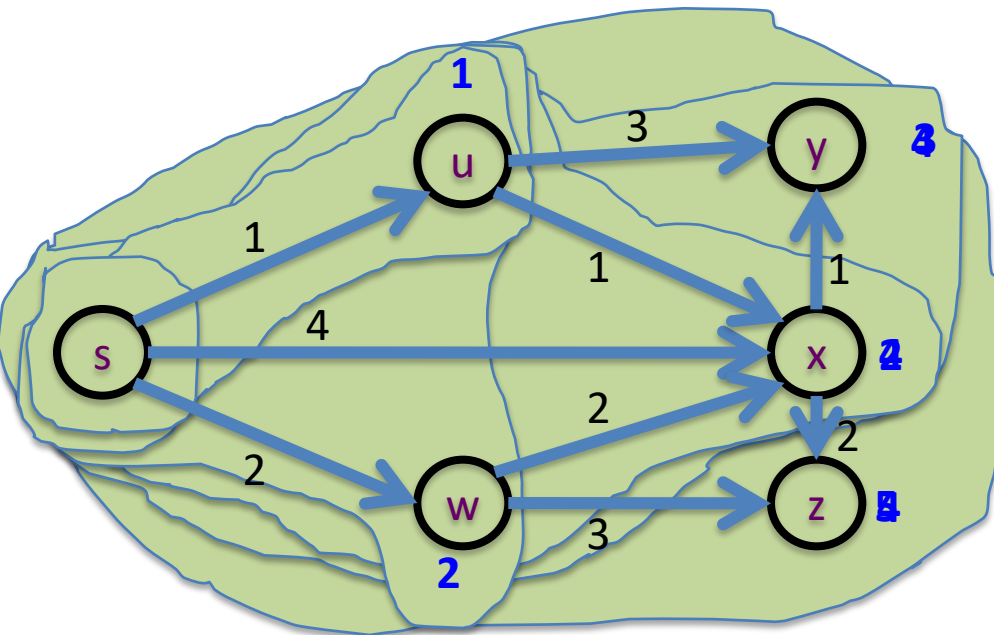
$$d(w) \leq d(x) + l_{(x,w)}$$

$$d(w) \leq d(y) + l_{(y,w)}$$



$$d'(w) = \min_{e=(u,w) \text{ in } E, u \text{ in } R} d(u) + l_e$$

Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm



$$d'(w) = \min_{e=(u,w) \in E, u \in R} d(u) + l_e$$

$d(s) = 0$ $d(u) = 1$
 $d(w) = 2$ $d(x) = 2$
 $d(y) = 3$ $d(z) = 4$

Input: Directed $G=(V,E)$, $l_e \geq 0$, $s \in V$

$R = \{s\}, d(s) = 0$
 While there is a x not in R with $(u,x) \in E, u \in R$
 Pick w among all x with smallest $d'(w)$ value
 Add w to R
 $d(w) = d'(w)$

Shortest paths

