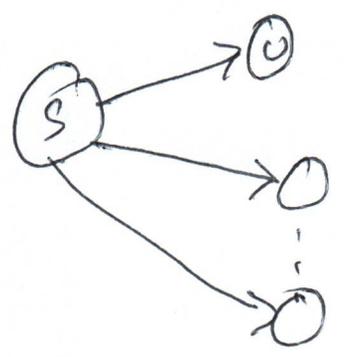


Intuition: If we use edge  $(s, u)$  when we compute a shortest  $s-t$  path, we do not want to re-use  $(s, u)$  when we compute a shortest  $u-t$  path.

Solution: Introduce an implicit parameter to define the subproblems.

Attempt 4% (\*)  $OPT(s, E')$  = cost of a shortest  $s-t$  path using only edges in  $E'$ .

$$OPT(s, E') = c_{s,u} + OPT(u, E' \setminus \{(s,u)\})$$



(\*) In general,  
(\*) Recurrence

$$OPT(s, E') = \min_{\substack{w: \\ (s,w) \in E}} \{ c_{s,w} + OPT(w, E' \setminus \{(s,w)\}) \}$$

(\*) Ordering among subproblems: Order according to the size of  $E'$ , i.e.,  $|E'|$ .

(\*) # subproblems:  $n \cdot 2^m$   
not polynomial

# of subsets of a set of size  $n$ :  $2^n$

ISSUE: ~~to~~ ~~we~~ ~~are~~ keeping track of  $E'$  introduces redundancy. We do not have to keep track of the edges that we will not use.

Intuition: Instead of keeping track of all edges in  $E'$ , keep track of (number) edges that will be a shortest path.

Attempt 5: Bellman-ford

$OPT(s, i) \doteq$  cost of a shortest  $s-t$  path using  $\leq i$  edges.

PROP:  $G$  has no <sup>negative</sup> cycles  $\implies \forall s \exists$  a shortest simple path.



Pr. (idea):



$\rightarrow$  removing cycle/repeated vertices cannot increase the cost of shortest path.

$OPT(s, i)$

# subproblems:  
 $n \cdot n = n^2$  \* polynomially many subproblems.

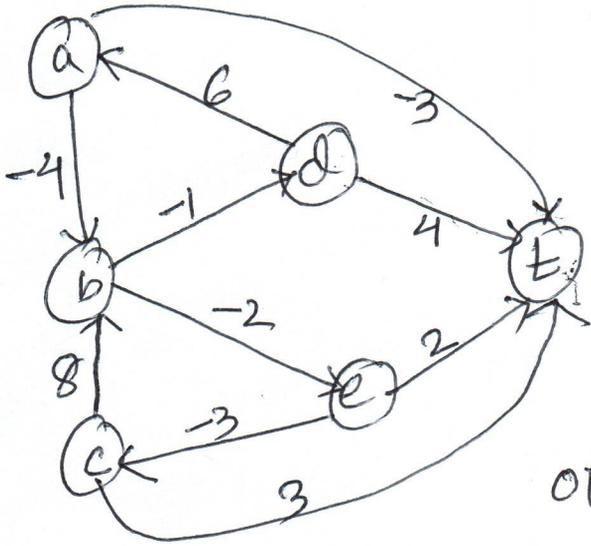
$\forall s \in V$

Q. what final OPT values do we want to compute?

A:  $OPT(s, n-1) \forall s \in V$   
 $\nwarrow$  By prop,  $s$  has a shortest path that is simple.  
 $\implies$  has  $\leq n-1$  edges.

Goal! Compute  $OPT(s, n-1) \forall s \in V$ .

focus on vertex  $d$ .



$$OPT(d, 0) = \infty \quad [as \ d \neq t]$$

$$OPT(d, 1) = 4 \quad [d, t]$$

$$OPT(d, 2) = 6 - 3 = 3 \quad [d, a, t]$$

$$OPT(d, 3) = OPT(d, 2) = 3 \quad [d, a, t]$$

$$OPT(d, 4) = 6 - 4 - 2 + 2 = 2 \quad [d, a, b, e, t]$$

$$OPT(d, 5) = 6 - 4 - 2 - 3 + 3 = 0 \quad [d, a, b, e, e, t]$$

$$OPT(d, 6) = OPT(d, 5) = 0 \quad [an \ n=6, \Rightarrow \ n-1=5]$$

$$OPT(d, 7) = OPT(d, 8) = \dots = 0$$

By PROP

$OPT(s, i) =$  cost of shortest  $s \rightarrow t$  path using  $\leq i$  edges.

Recurrence!

$$OPT(t, 0) = 0 \quad OPT(u, 0) = \infty \quad \forall u \neq t$$

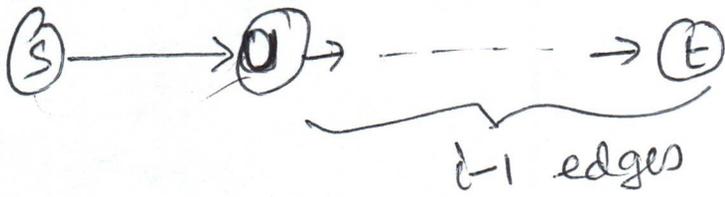
$$OPT(u, i) \text{ for } i > 0$$

Case 1!  $\exists$  a shortest  $s \rightarrow t$  path that uses  $\leq i-1$  edges.

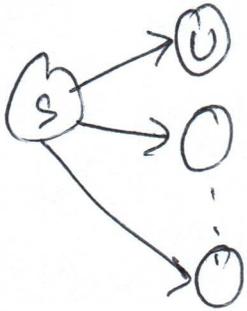
$$\Rightarrow OPT(u, i) = OPT(u, i-1)$$

Case 2! All shortest  $s \rightarrow t$  paths use ~~at~~ exactly  $i$  edges.

$\Rightarrow$



$$\text{OPT}(S, i) = C_{S, U} + \text{OPT}(U, i-1)$$



In general,

$$\text{OPT}(S, i) = \min_{\substack{w: \\ (S, w) \in E}} \{ C_{S, w} + \min_{\substack{w': \\ (S, w') \in E}} \dots \}$$

$$\text{OPT}(S, i) = \min_{\substack{w: \\ (S, w) \in E}} \{ C_{S, w} + \text{OPT}(w, i-1) \}$$

Overall:

$$\text{OPT}(U, i) = \min_{\substack{w: \\ (U, w) \in E}} \{ \text{OPT}(U, i-1), \min_{\substack{w': \\ (U, w') \in E}} \{ C_{U, w'} + \text{OPT}(w', i-1) \} \}$$

(\*) Compute  $M[S, n-1]$   
for  $\forall S \in V$

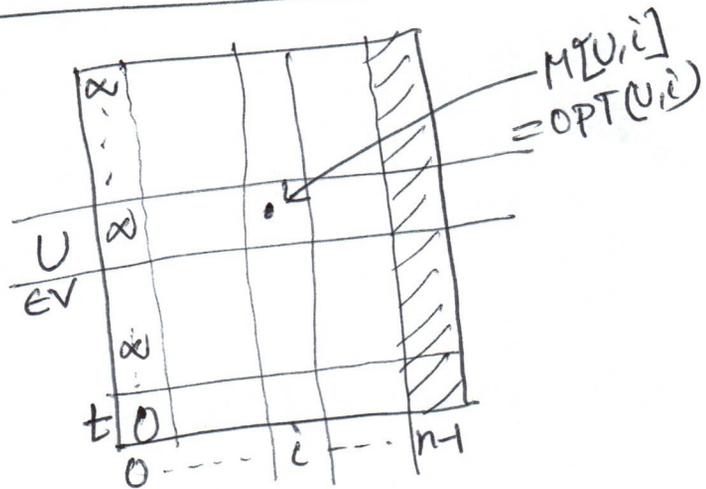
Bellman fond

0. Allocate  $n \times n$  matrix  $M$
1.  $M[t, 0] \leftarrow 0, M[u, 0] \leftarrow \infty \forall u \neq t$
2. for  $i = 1 \dots n$   
for  $u \in V$

$$M[u, i] = \min \{ M[u, i-1],$$

$$\min_{\substack{w: \\ (u, w) \in E}} \{ C_{u, w} + M[w, i-1] \}$$

3. return  $M[S, n-1] \forall S \in V$



Ordering: column  $i$  depends on  $u, i-1$   
compute  $M \rightarrow L \rightarrow R$   
column by column.

$$M[u, i] = \min \{ M[u, i-1], \min_{\substack{w: \\ (u, w) \in E}} \{ C_{u, w} + M[w, i-1] \} \}$$