



# All-Pairs Shortest Paths (APSP)

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Algorithms: Design  
and Analysis, Part II

The Floyd-Warshall  
Algorithm

# Quiz

**Setup:** Let  $A = 3\text{-D array (indexed by } i, j, k\text{)}.$

**Intent:**  $A[i, j, k]$  = length of a shortest  $i$ - $j$  path with all internal nodes in  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  (or  $+\infty$  if no such paths)

**Question:** What is  $A[i, j, 0]$  if

(1)  $i = j$       (2)  $(i, j) \in E$       (3)  $i \neq j$  and  $(i, j) \notin E$

A) 0, 0, and  $+\infty$

B) 0,  $c_{ij}$ , and  $c_{ij}$

C) 0,  $c_{ij}$ , and  $+\infty$

D)  $+\infty$ ,  $c_{ij}$ , and  $+\infty$

# The Floyd-Warshall Algorithm

Let  $A$  = 3-D array (indexed by  $i, j, k$ )

Base cases: For all  $i, j \in V$ :

$$A[i, j, 0] = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 0 \text{ if } i = j \\ c_{ij} \text{ if } (i, j) \in E \\ +\infty \text{ if } i \neq j \text{ and } (i, j) \notin E \end{array} \right\}$$

For  $k = 1$  to  $n$

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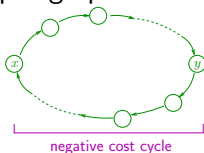
$$A[i, j, k] = \min \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} A[i, j, k-1] & \text{Case 1} \\ A[i, k, k-1] + A[k, j, k-1] & \text{Case 2} \end{array} \right\}$$

Correctness: From optimal substructure + induction, as usual.

Running time:  $O(1)$  per subproblem,  $O(n^3)$  overall.

# Odds and Ends

**Question #1:** What if input graph  $G$  has a negative cycle?



**Answer:** Will have  $A[i, i, n] < 0$  for at least one  $i \in V$  at end of algorithm.

**Question #2:** How to reconstruct a shortest  $i$ - $j$  path?

**Answer:** In addition to  $A$ , have Floyd-Warshall compute  $B[i, j] = \max$  label of an internal node on a shortest  $i$ - $j$  path for all  $i, j \in V$ .

[Reset  $B[i, j] = k$  if 2nd case of recurrence used to compute  $A[i, j, k]$ ]

$\Rightarrow$  Can use the  $B[i, j]$ 's to recursively reconstruct shortest paths!