

Algorithm Design Techniques

- Induction
- Divide and Conquer
- Dynamic Programming
- **Greedy**
- Reduction

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Greedy Paradigm Get what you can NOW!



But sometimes it's better to look
around!



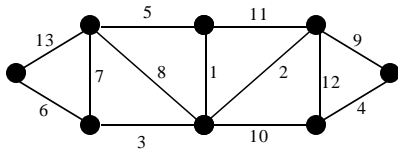
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But sometimes it isn't ...



Minimum Spanning Tree

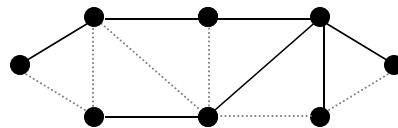
- $G=(V,E)$ is a connected, weighted graph with n vertices and m edges.



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Minimum Spanning Tree-cont.

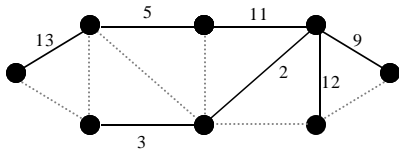
- A spanning tree of G is a connected, acyclic subgraph with vertex set V .



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Minimum Spanning Tree-cont.

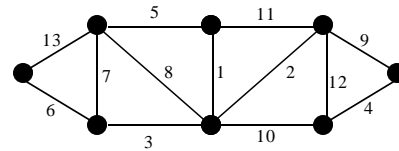
- The weight of spanning tree of G is the sum of the weights of its edges.



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Minimum Spanning Tree-cont.

- A minimum spanning tree of G is one with smallest possible weight.
- Find an MST of the following graph:



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Kruskal's (Greedy) Algorithm

Let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m be the edges of G sorted by increasing weight.

$F=V$ (F is a forest of isolated vertices)

For $i=1$ to m

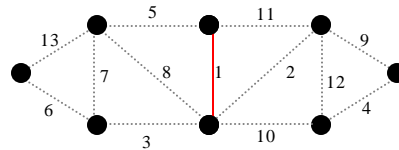
If $F+\{e_i\}$ is acyclic then $F=F+\{e_i\}$.

Return(F)

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Kruskal's Algorithm

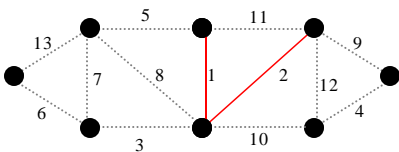
- Order the edge weights. (In this graph the weights are unique.)
- 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13



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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

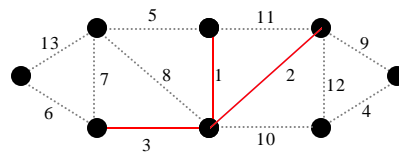
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

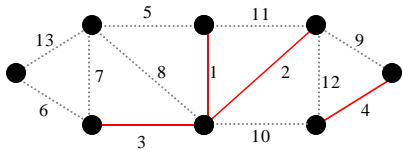
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

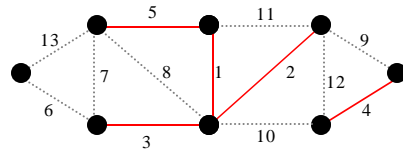
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

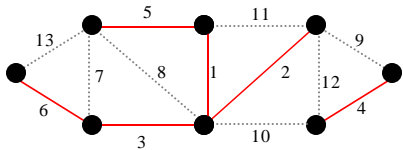
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

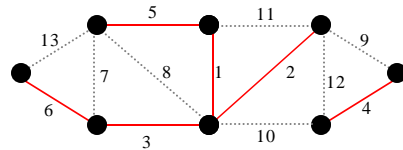
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

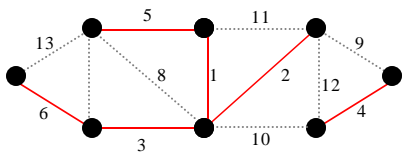
- 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13
- Can we add the edge with weight 7?



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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

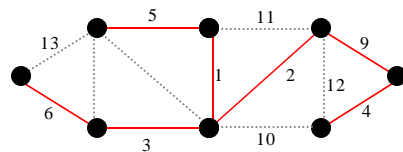
- 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13
- Can we add the edge with weight 8?



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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

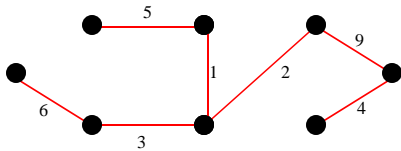
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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

MST of G with cost _____



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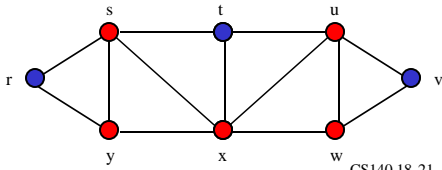
Kruskal's Algorithm

- Does it work in general?
- Prove it.

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Cut

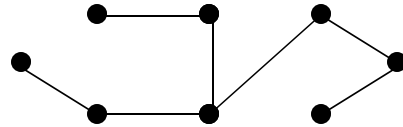
A **cut** is a partition of the vertices of G into two sets (S, S') . An edge e crosses the cut if it has an endpoint in each set of the cut. For example (t, x) crosses the cut $(\{r, t, v\}, \{s, u, w, x, y\})$



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Tree Facts

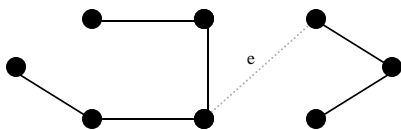
- A tree on n nodes has $n-1$ edges.



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Tree Facts

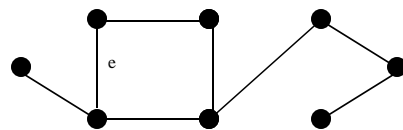
- If e is an edge of T then $T - \{e\}$ is a forest consisting of two trees.



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Tree Facts

- If e is an edge of G but not of T then $T + \{e\}$ contains exactly one cycle.



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Tree Facts

1. A tree on n nodes has $n-1$ edges.
2. If e is an edge of T then $T-\{e\}$ is a forest consisting of two trees.
3. If e is an edge of G but not of T then $T+\{e\}$ contains exactly one cycle.

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Kruskal's Algorithm Proof of Correctness

Claim:

At each stage of the algorithm F is a subgraph of some MST of G .

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Kruskal's Algorithm

Let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m be the edges of G sorted by increasing weight.

$F=V$ (F is a forest of isolated vertices)

Claim is true here

For $i=1$ to m

If $F+\{e_i\}$ is acyclic then $F=F+\{e_i\}$.

Return(F)

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Loop Invariant

Let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m be the edges of G sorted by increasing weight.

$F=V$ (F is a forest of isolated vertices) Claim is true here

If Claim is true here



For $i=1$ to m

If $F+\{e_i\}$ is acyclic then $F=F+\{e_i\}$.



Then Claim is true here

Return(F)

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Kruskal's Algorithm Proof of Correctness

Loop Invariant:

F is a subgraph of some MST of G .

Proof

Consider the k^{th} execution of the loop. Let T be a MST of G containing F . What can happen during the loop?

1. e_k is not added to F
2. e_k is added to F

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Kruskal's Algorithm Proof of Correctness

Loop Invariant:

F is a subgraph of some MST of G .

Proof

1. e_k is not added to F
In this case F does not change so the claim holds when execution of loop concludes

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Kruskal's Algorithm Proof of Correctness

Loop Invariant:

F is a subgraph of some MST of G.

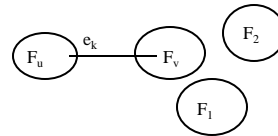
Proof

2. e_k is added to F
 We know that T is a MST of G and T contains F.
 Need to show there is a MST of G that contains $F + \{e_k\}$
 If e_k is an edge of T we are done. So assume not.

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What do we know?

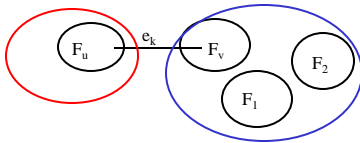
Assume $e_k = (u, v)$. The vertices u and v are in separate connected components. Let S be the vertices of F_u .



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What do we know?

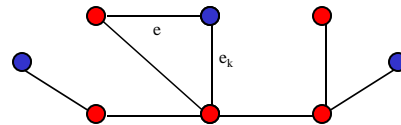
e_k is a minimum weight edge spanning $(S, V-S)$



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Using our tree facts

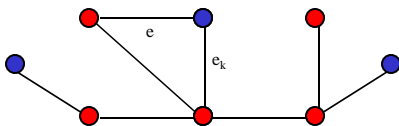
- The graph $T + \{e_k\}$ contains exactly one cycle.
- This cycle contains e_k and at least one additional edge e that spans $(S, V-S)$.
- $T + \{e_k\} - \{e\}$ is an MST of G.



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Moreover

- $T + \{e_k\} - \{e\}$ is an MST of G **that contains the edges of $F + \{e_k\}$.**



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