

CS140: Algorithms

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Algorithm Design Techniques

- Induction (or Self-Reduction)
- Reduction
- Divide and Conquer (special case of Self-Reduction)
- **Greedy**

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Greedy Paradigm
Get what you can NOW!



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But sometimes it's better to look
around!



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But sometimes it isn't ...



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I hate gas stations!

- I'm driving cross country and my route is fixed.
- My map tells me exactly where every gas station along the route is located.
- I want to minimize the number of times I stop for gas...
- ... without running out!

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Greedy

- First stop
 - I'll stop at the farthest gas station I can get to without running out.
- Then repeat

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Greedy is Optimal!

- Can the optimal make a first stop that is later?

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Minimum Spanning Tree

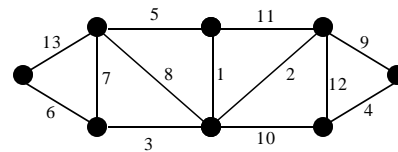
- Input: Weighted graph G
- Output: Minimum weight spanning tree of G

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Weighted Graph

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

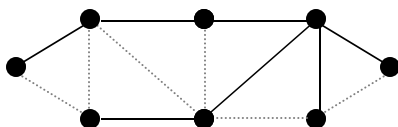


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Spanning Tree

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

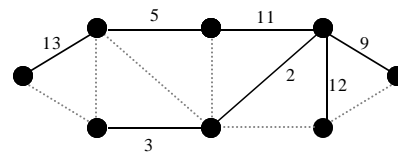


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Weight of Spanning Tree

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

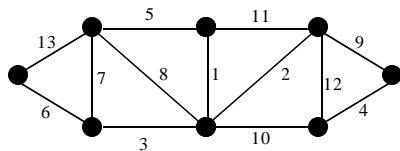


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Minimum Spanning Tree

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



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Prim's Algorithm

Choose a vertex $w \in V$

$F = \{w\}$

While $V - F \neq \emptyset$

Let e be a minimum weight edge that emerges from F

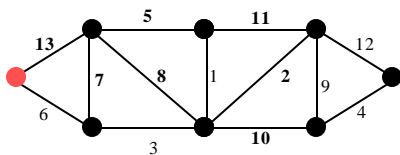
$F = F + \{e\}$

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Prim's example

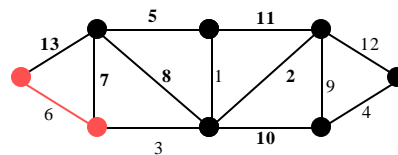
Start with red vertex



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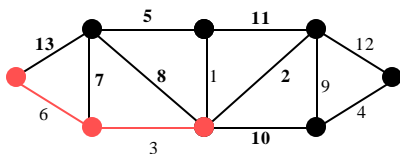
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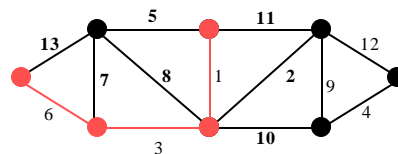
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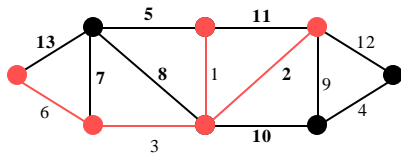
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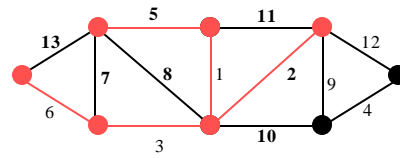
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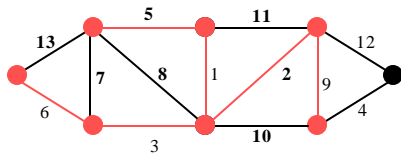
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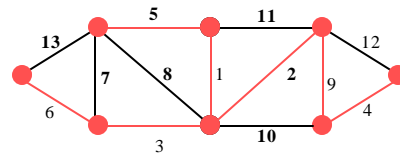
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Prim's example



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Prim's Algorithm

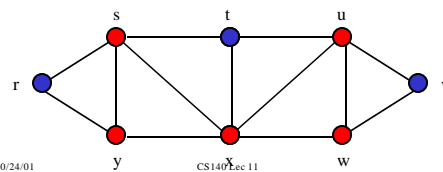
- Is it correct?
- Is it efficient?

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Cut

- A **cut** is a partition of the vertices of G into two sets (R, B) .
- An edge e crosses the cut if it has an endpoint in each set of the cut.
- Which edges cross the (R, B) cut?



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Cut Theorem

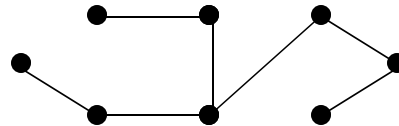
- Let (R,B) be a cut of graph G and let e be a minimum weight edge crossing the cut.
- Then e is in some minimum spanning tree of T .
- If e is the least weight edge spanning the cut then it is in every minimum spanning tree of T .

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Tree Facts

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

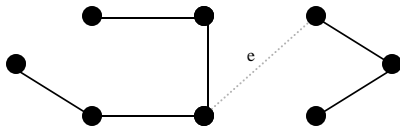


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Tree Facts

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

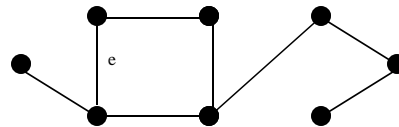


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Tree Facts

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



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Proof: Cut Theorem

- Let (R,B) be a cut of graph G and let e be a minimum weight edge crossing the cut.
- Let T be a minimum spanning tree of G .
- If e is in T we are done so suppose not.
- Consider the graph $T + \{e\}$.

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Proof: Cut Theorem

- Consider the graph $T + \{e\}$.
 - By our tree facts this graph has exactly one cycle and the cycle includes e .
 - Removing any edge of the cycle yields a spanning tree of G .
 - If the cycle contains an edge e' such that $w(e') \geq w(e)$ then $T + \{e\} - \{e'\}$ is a spanning tree with weight no more than T .

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Consider the cut (R, B)

- Since e spans the cut at least one other edge of the cycle must also span the cut.
- Why?
- So what?

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Prim's Algorithm

- Is it correct?
 - If the edge weights are unique then it follows immediately from the cut theorem.
 - What if the edge weights are not unique?
- Is it efficient?

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Prim's Algorithm

Choose a vertex $w \in V$

$F = \{w\}$

While $V - F \neq \emptyset$

Let e be a minimum weight edge that emerges from F

$F = F + \{e\}$

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Prim's Algorithm Running Time: $O(n(?))$

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How should we implement this?

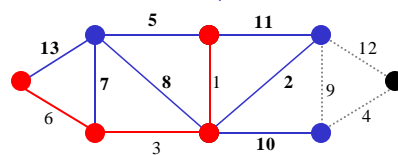
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Consider naïve approach ...

- Go through edge list to find least weight edge emerging from F :

6, 13, 7, 3, 5, 8, 1, 11, 2, 10, 9, 12, 4



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Prim's Algorithm

Running Time: $O(nm)$

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Naïve approach $O(m)$

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What to do?

Data Structures

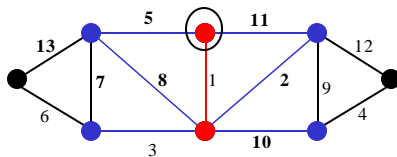


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Fringe vertex

v is a fringe vertex if it is in $V - F$ and it is connected by an edge to a vertex u in F



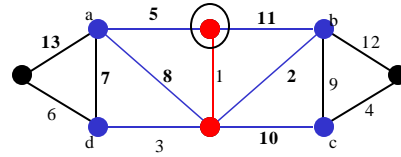
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A less naïve approach ...

List of fringe vertices and for each its minimum weight edge to F

$[b,2], [d,3], [a,5], [c,10]$

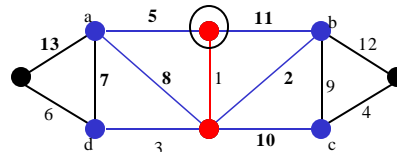


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And even better...

- Keep the fringe vertices in a **HEAP**



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Prim's Algorithm A Better Implementation

Choose a vertex $x \in V$

$F = \{x\}, H = \emptyset$

For each $e = (u,x)$: Add record $[u,e]$ to heap H keyed on $w(e)$

While $H \neq \emptyset$

$[u,e] = \text{Find-min}(H)$

Add u and e to F

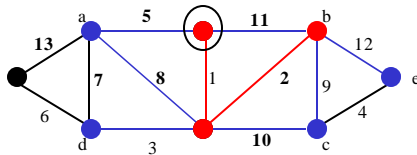
For each edge incident to u : Update heap

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Update heap: [b,2],[d,3],[a,5],[c,10]

- [b,2]: remove [b,2] from heap [d,3],[a,5],[c,10]
- Add new fringe vertices: [d,3],[a,5],[c,10],[e,12]
- Update edge weights: [d,3],[a,5],[c,9],[e,12]



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Are these standard operations?

- Extract-min
- Add element to heap
- Reduce key of element in heap ?!?

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Decrease key

- Next homework assignment: Design decrease key algorithm for heaps that runs in time $O(\lg(n))$.

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Prim's Algorithm Running Time

Choose a vertex $x \in V$

$F = \{x\}$, $H = \emptyset$

For each $e = (u, x)$: **Insert**

While $H \neq \emptyset$

[u,e] = **Extract-min**(H)

Add u and e to F

For each edge incident to u: **Insert or Decrease-key** or do nothing

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Prim's Algorithm Running Time

- Heap operations across algorithm:
 - n Extract-mins $O(\lg(n))$ each
 - n Inserts $O(\lg(n))$ each
 - m-n Decrease-keys $O(\lg(n))$ each
 - m Do nothings $O(1)$ each
- Total time is $O(m \lg(n))$

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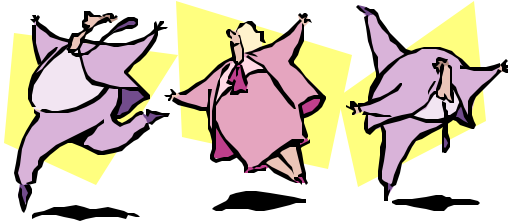
But wait ...suppose we could decrease-key in time $O(1)$

- Heap operations across algorithm:
 - n Extract-mins $O(\lg(n))$ each
 - n Inserts $O(\lg(n))$ each
 - m-n Decrease-keys ~~$O(\lg(n))$~~ $O(1)$ each
 - m Do nothings $O(1)$ each
- Then total time is $O(m + n \lg(n))$

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Bravo, bravo ...



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Do It With Fibonacci Heaps

Huh?



Don't worry – it works!

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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 $F = F + \{e_i\}$.

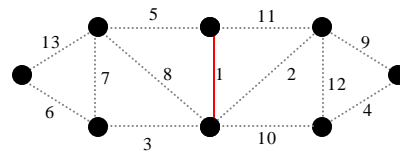
Return(F)

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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

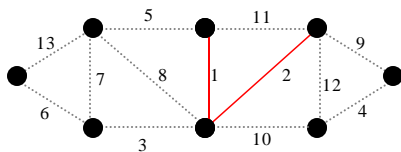


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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

- 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13

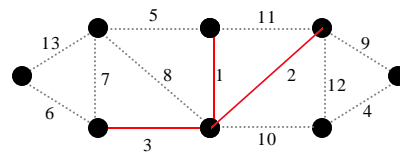


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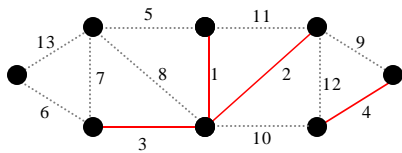


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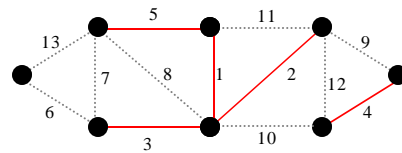


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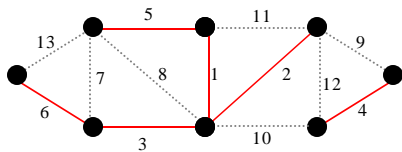


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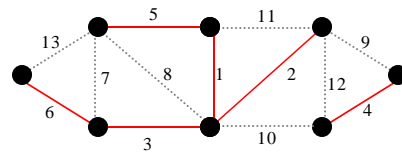


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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

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

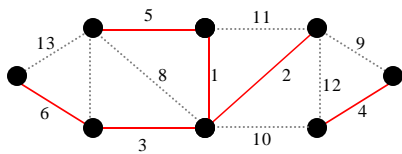


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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

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

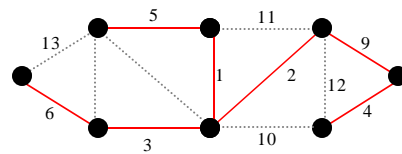


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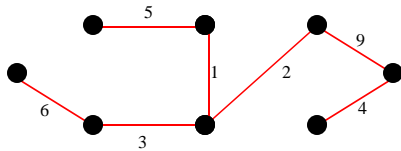


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Kruskal's Algorithm-cont.

MST of G with cost _____



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Kruskal's Algorithm

- Does it work in general?
- Prove it.

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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.

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If Claim is true here

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Return(F)

Then Claim is true here

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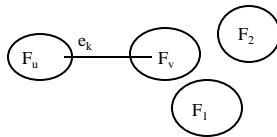
2. e_k is added to F
We know that T is a MST of G and T contains F .
Need to show there is a MST of G that contains $F + \{e_k\}$
If e_k is an edge of T we are done. So assume not.

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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 .

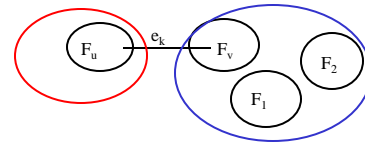


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What do we know?

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

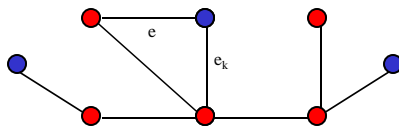


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Using our tree facts

- 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 .

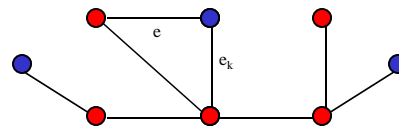


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Moreover

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



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Running Time

- We'll save that for later...

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