

# **CS 344**

## **LECTURE 9**

### **MINIMUM SPANNING TREES**

# DIJKSTRA'S ALGORITHM

Given a graph  $G$  and a starting vertex  $s$ ,  
find shortest paths to all reachable vertices

procedure `dijkstra`( $G, l, s$ )

Input:      Graph  $G = (V, E)$ , directed or undirected;  
             positive edge lengths  $\{l_e : e \in E\}$ ; vertex  $s \in V$

Output:     For all vertices  $u$  reachable from  $s$ , `dist`( $u$ ) is set  
             to the distance from  $s$  to  $u$ .

for all  $u \in V$ :

`dist`( $u$ ) =  $\infty$

`prev`( $u$ ) = nil

`dist`( $s$ ) = 0

$H = \text{makequeue}(V)$     (using `dist`-values as keys)

while  $H$  is not empty:

$u = \text{deletemin}(H)$

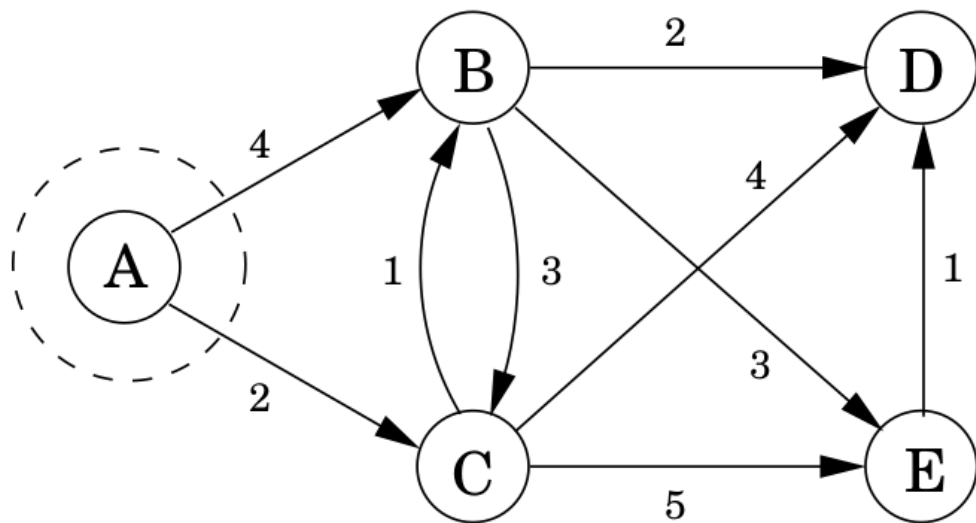
    for all edges  $(u, v) \in E$ :

        if `dist`( $v$ ) > `dist`( $u$ ) +  $l(u, v)$ :

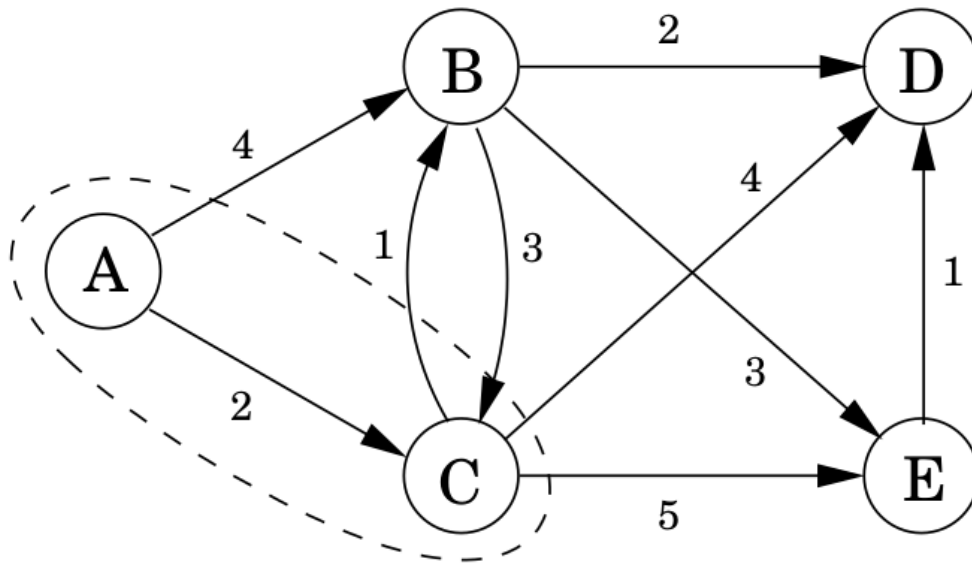
`dist`( $v$ ) = `dist`( $u$ ) +  $l(u, v)$

`prev`( $v$ ) =  $u$

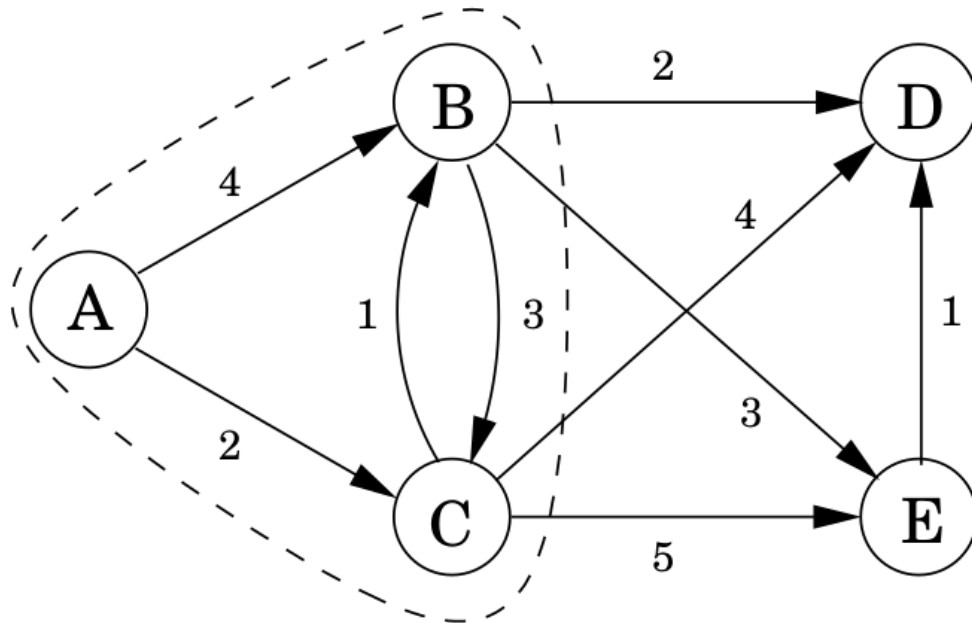
`decreasekey`( $H, v$ )



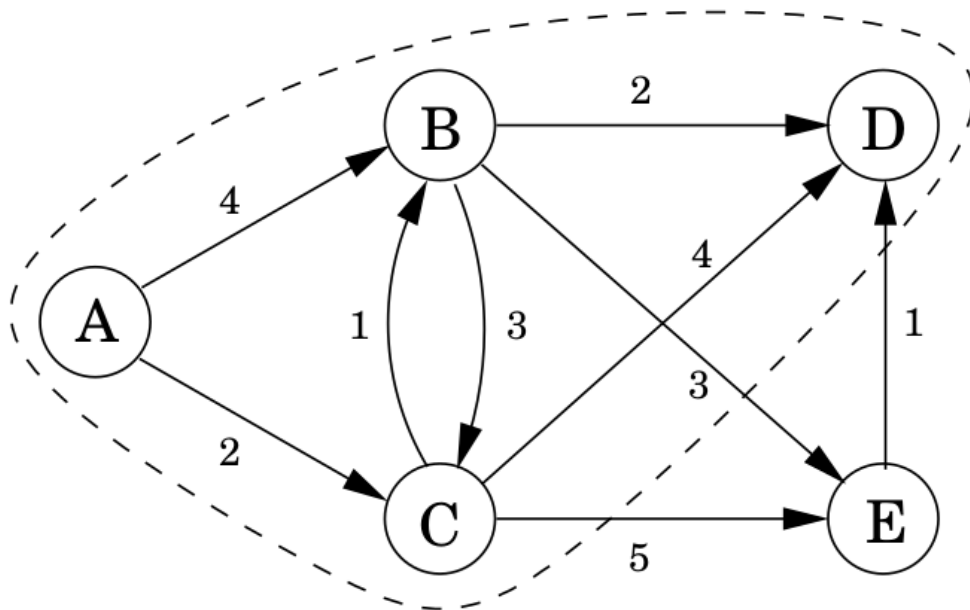
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B: 4	E: $\infty$
C: 2	



A: 0	D: 6
B: 3	E: 7
C: 2	

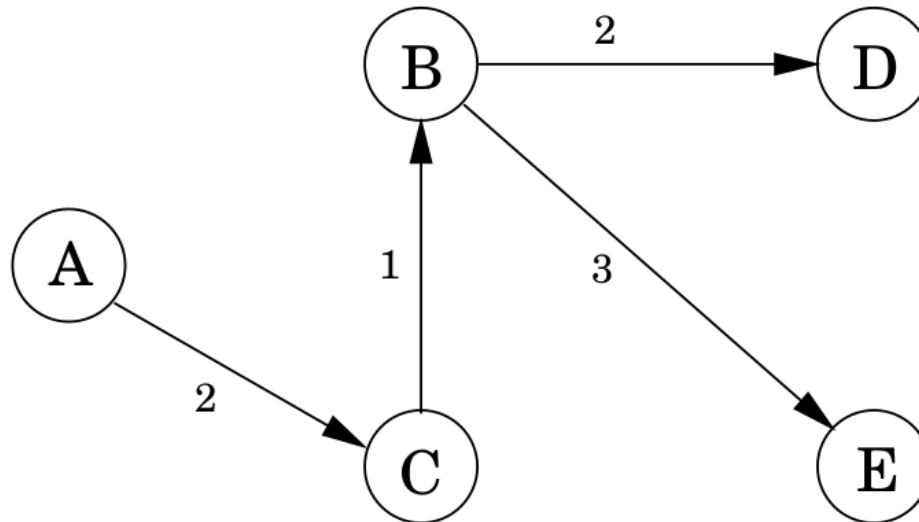


A: 0	D: 5
B: 3	E: 6
C: 2	



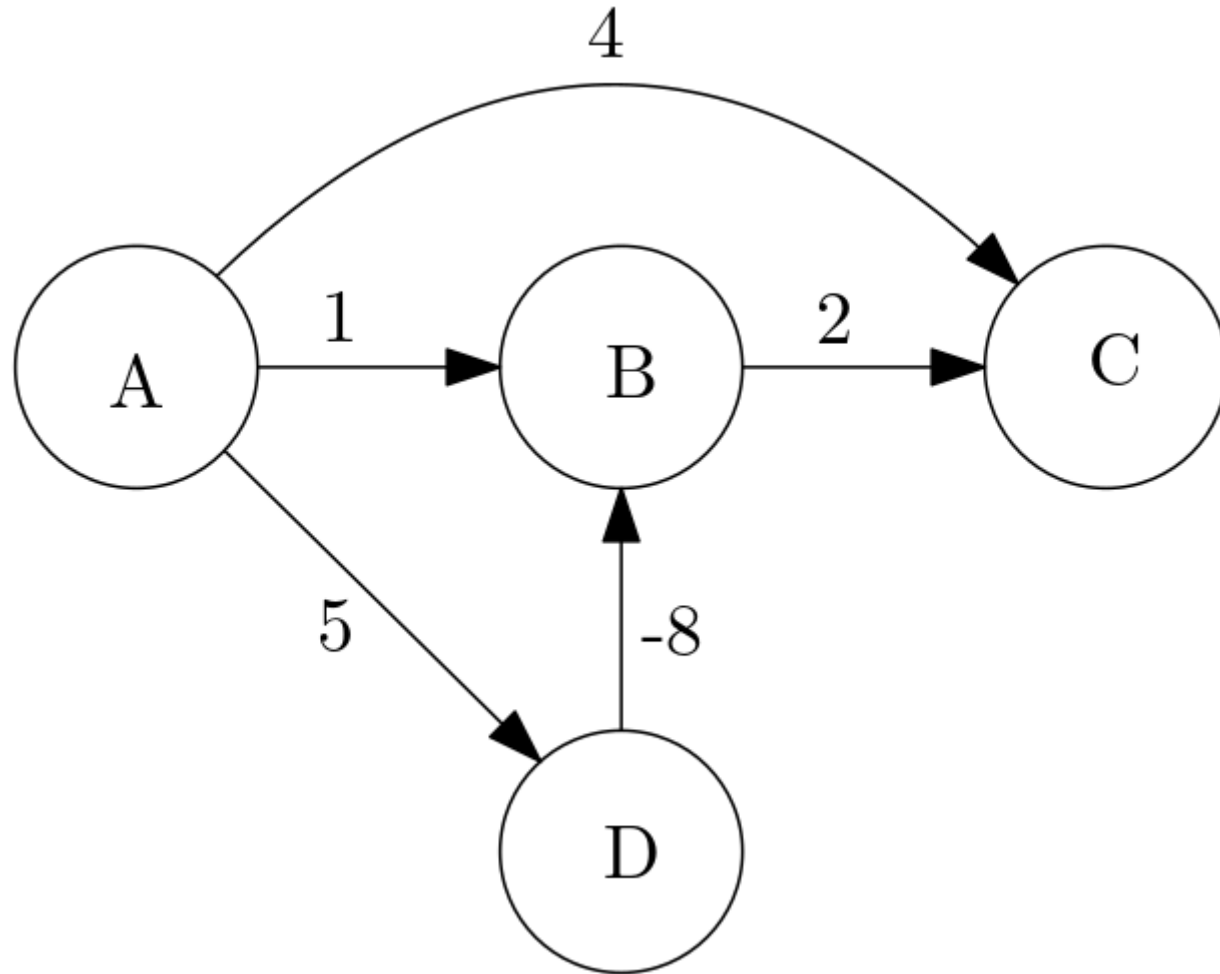
A: 0	D: 5
B: 3	E: 6
C: 2	

Finally, we get this tree for paths from  $A$ :





# Dijkstra's algorithm with negative edges



# Bellman-Ford algorithm:

procedure shortest-paths ( $G, l, s$ )

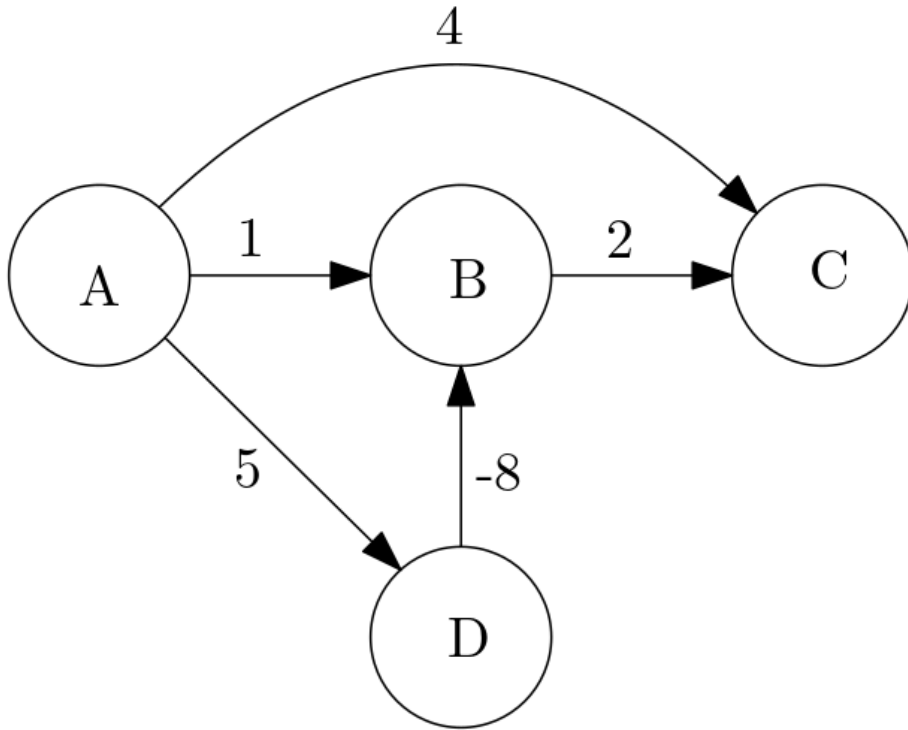
Input:      Directed graph  $G = (V, E)$ ;  
             edge lengths  $\{l_e : e \in E\}$  with no negative cycles;  
             vertex  $s \in V$

Output:     For all vertices  $u$  reachable from  $s$ ,  $\text{dist}(u)$  is set  
             to the distance from  $s$  to  $u$ .

for all  $u \in V$ :  
     $\text{dist}(u) = \infty$   
     $\text{prev}(u) = \text{nil}$

$\text{dist}(s) = 0$   
repeat  $|V| - 1$  times:  
    for all  $e \in E$ :  
        update( $e$ )

## Bellman-Ford algorithm:



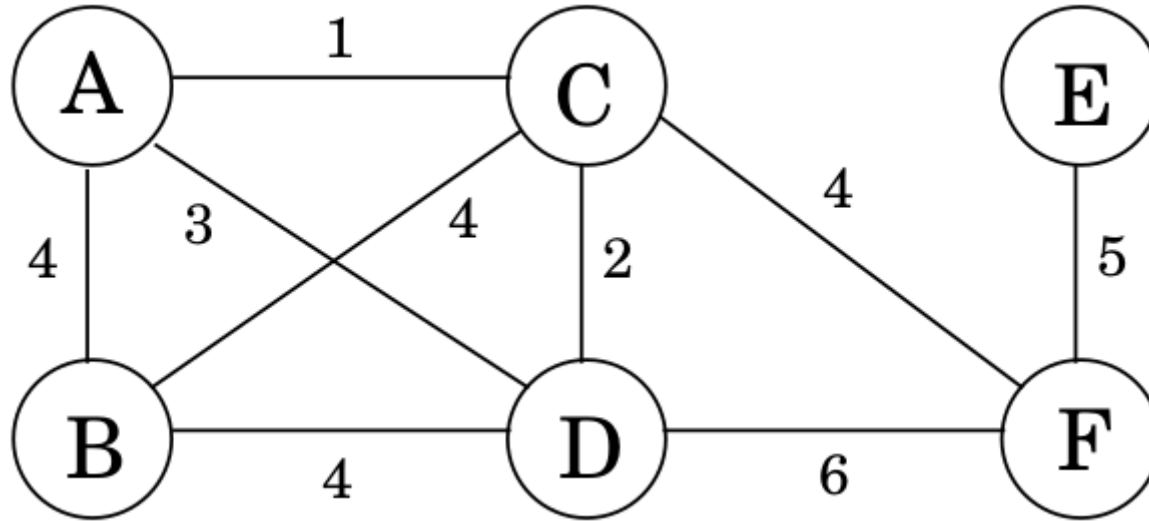
A	0	0	0	0
B	$\infty$	1	-3	-3
C	$\infty$	4	3	-1
D	$\infty$	5	5	5

# GREEDY ALGORITHM

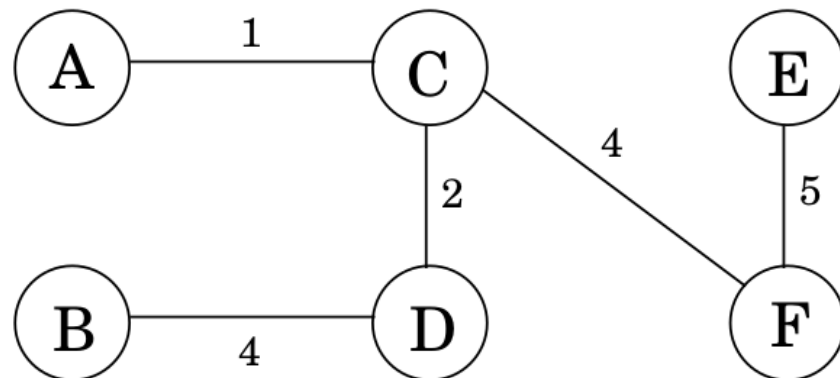
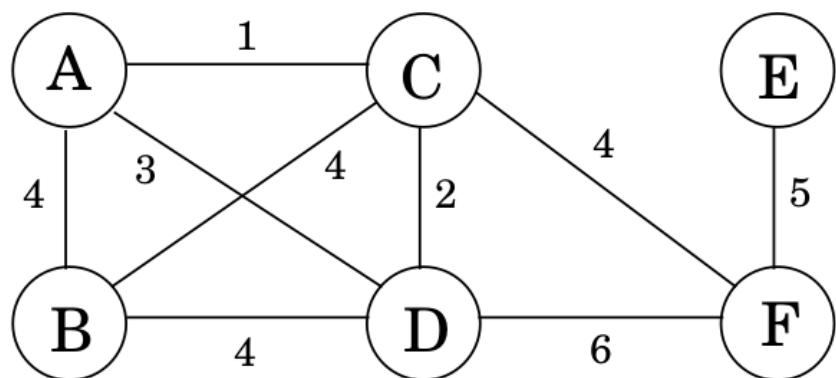
- Builds up a solution piece by piece
- Picks the best option at each stage

# MINIMUM SPANNING TREE

- We want to connect all vertices in a graph with minimum cost



Note that removing a cycle edge cannot disconnect a graph



# MINIMUM SPANNING TREE

- Tree (no cycles)
- Connects all vertices (spanning)
- Minimum cost



# MINIMUM SPANNING TREE

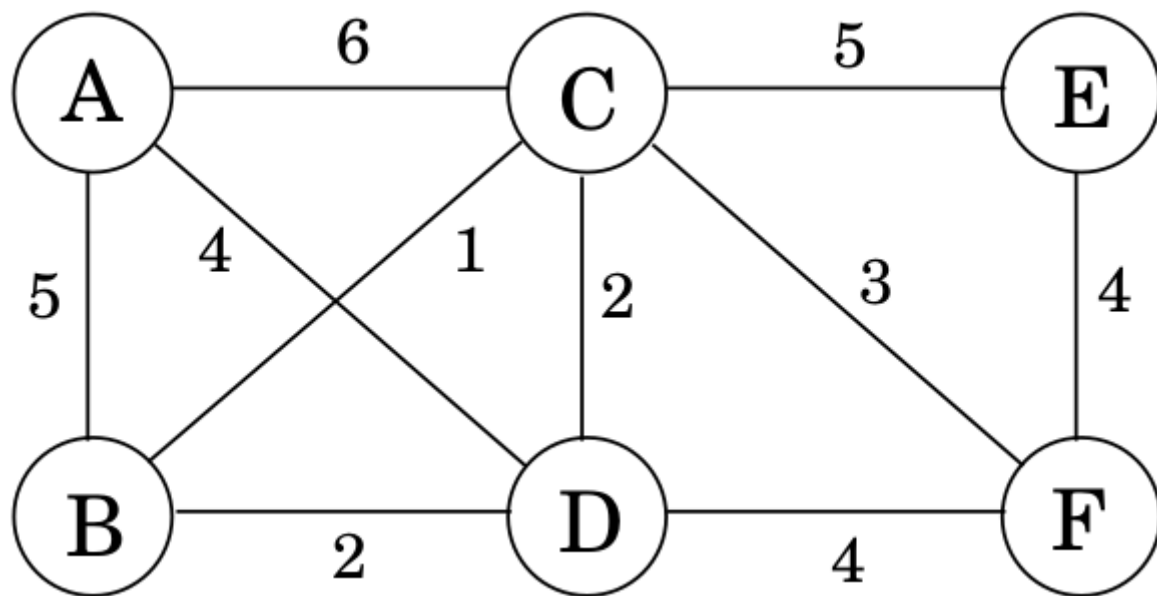
Given an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge weights  $w_e$ ,  
find a tree  $T = (V, E')$ , where  $E' \subseteq E$ ,  
that minimizes

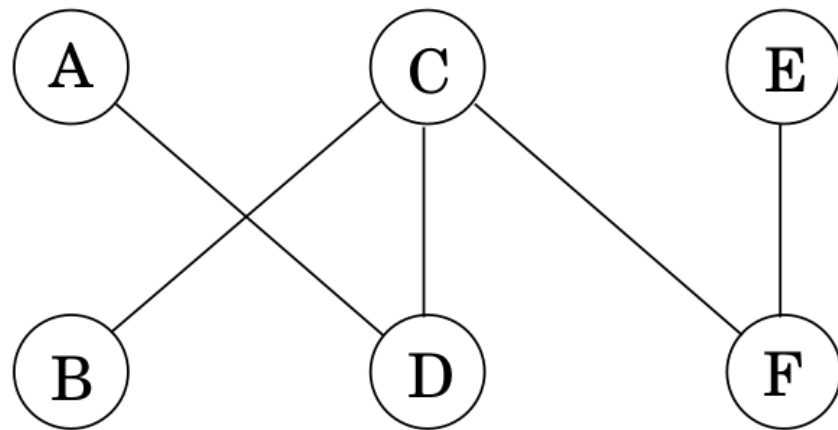
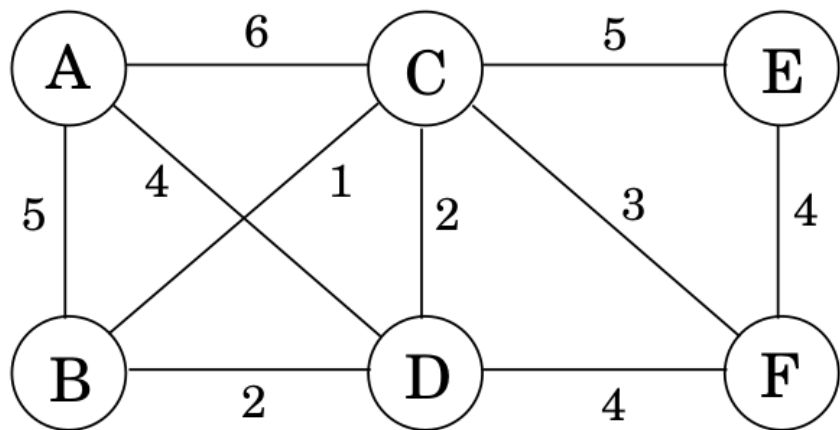
$$\text{weight}(T) = \sum_{e \in E'} w_e$$

# KRUSKAL'S ALGORITHM

Start with the empty set

Repeatedly add the next lightest edge that doesn't  
create a cycle





# ASIDE: TREES

- undirected graph
- connected
- acyclic

# NICE TREE PROPERTIES

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

# NICE TREE PROPERTIES

Any connected, undirected graph with  $|E| = |V| - 1$   
is a tree

# NICE TREE PROPERTIES

An undirected graph is a tree iff there is a unique path  
between any pair of nodes



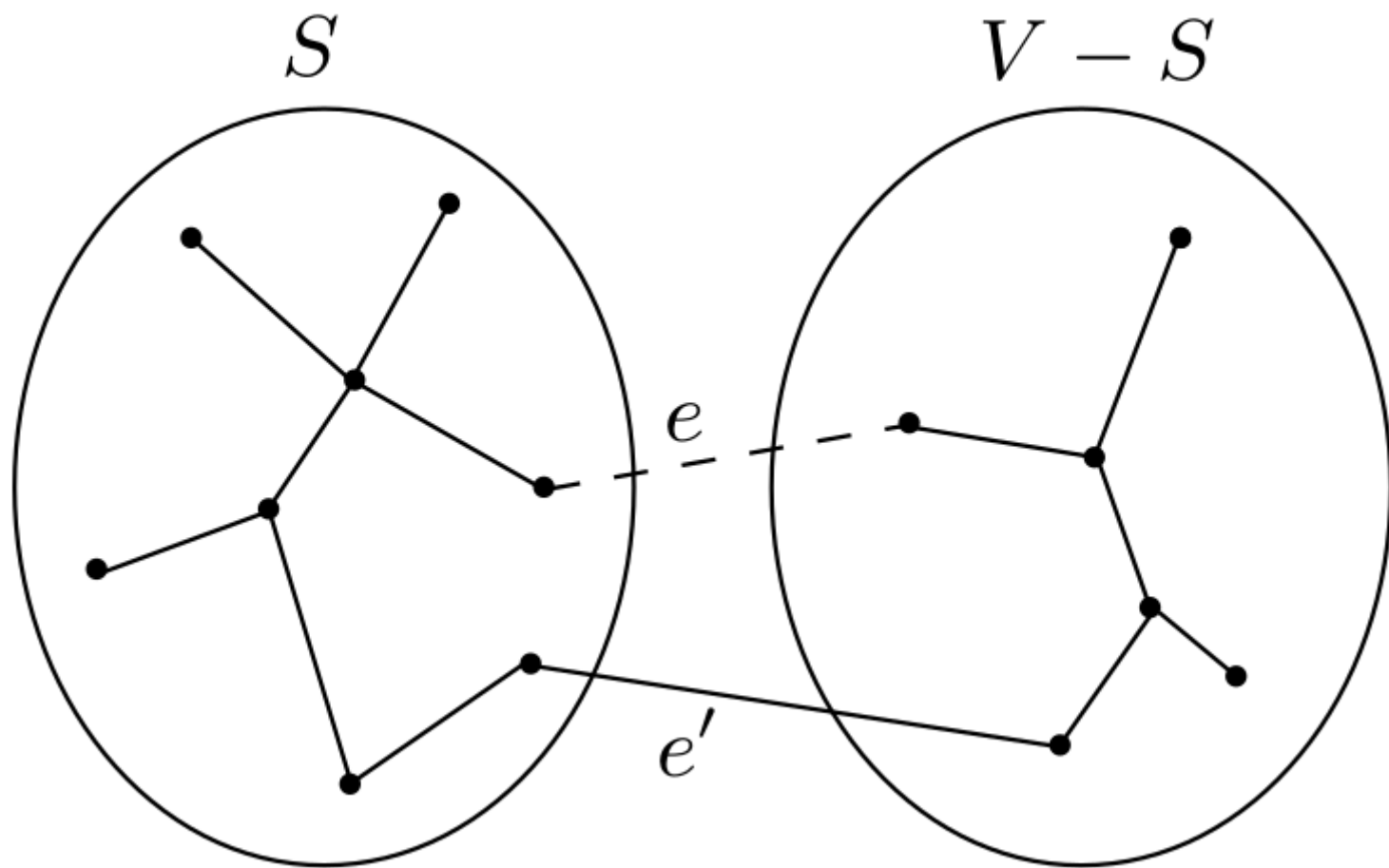
Is Kruskal's algorithm correct?

Cut property: Suppose edges  $X$  are part of a MST of  $G$ .

Pick any subset of nodes  $S$ , where none of the edges in  $X$  cross between  $S$  and  $V - S$

Let  $e$  be the lightest edge across this cut.

Then  $X \cup \{e\}$  is part of some MST.

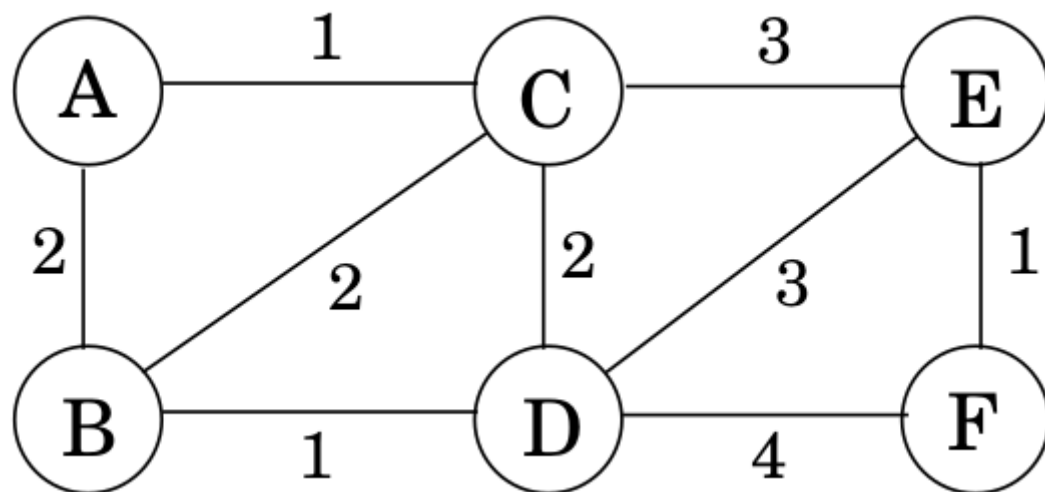


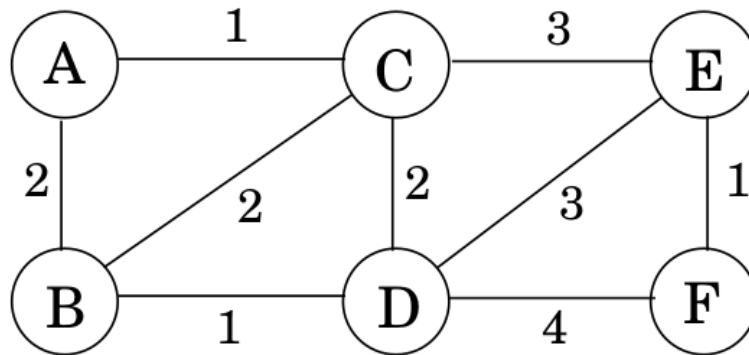
Then

$$\text{weight}(T') = \text{weight}(T) + w(e) - w(e')$$

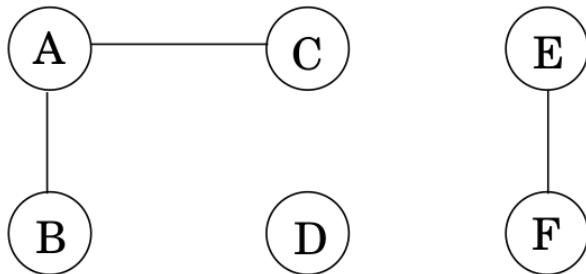
But  $w(e) \leq w(e')$ , so  $\text{weight}(T') \leq \text{weight}(T)$ .

Since  $T$  is an MST, the weights must be equal, and  $T'$  is also an MST.

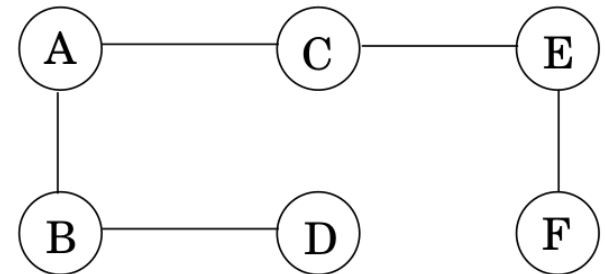


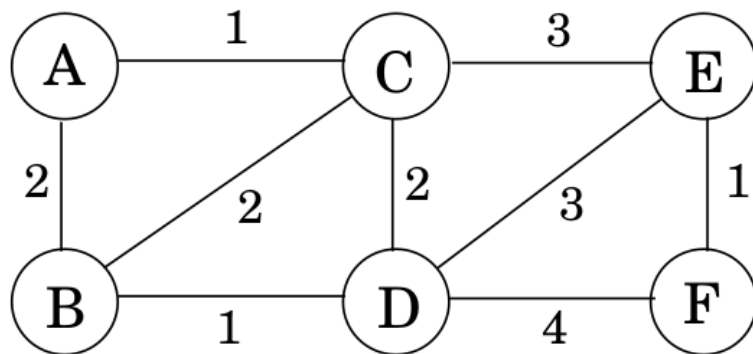


Edges  $X$ :

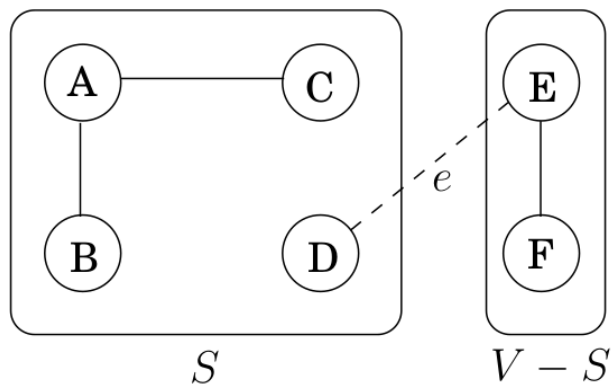


MST  $T$ :

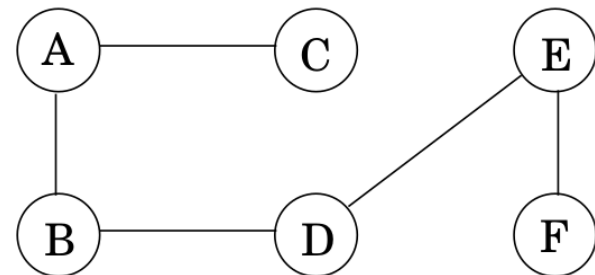




The cut:



MST  $T'$ :



So Kruskal's algorithm starts with  $n$  trees (single vertices)

At each stage it adds an edge to connect two trees  $T_1$  and  $T_2$

Let the cut be  $T_1$  and  $V - T_1$ .

Since  $e$  is the lightest edge in the graph (that doesn't create a cycle), it must be the lightest edge in this cut.



- `makeset(x)` -- create a singleton set
- `find(x)` -- find which set `x` belongs to
- `union(x, y)` -- merge sets containing `x` and `y`

procedure `kruskal`( $G, w$ )

Input: A connected undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge weights  $w_e$

Output: A minimum spanning tree defined by the edges  $X$

for all  $u \in V$ :

`makeset`( $u$ )

$X = \{\}$

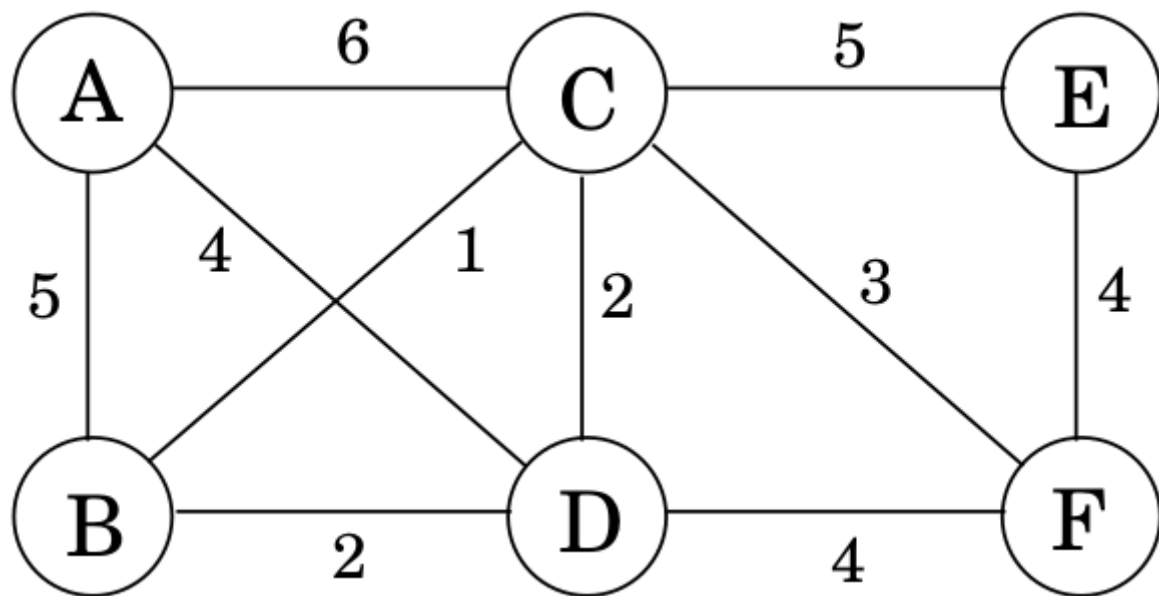
Sort the edges  $E$  by weight

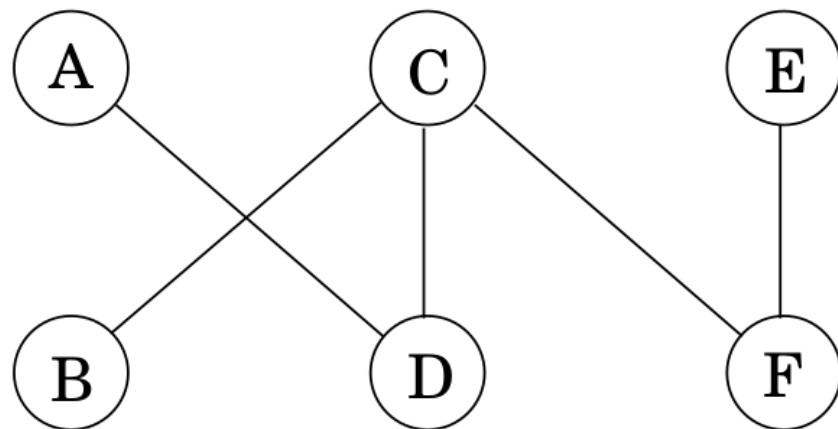
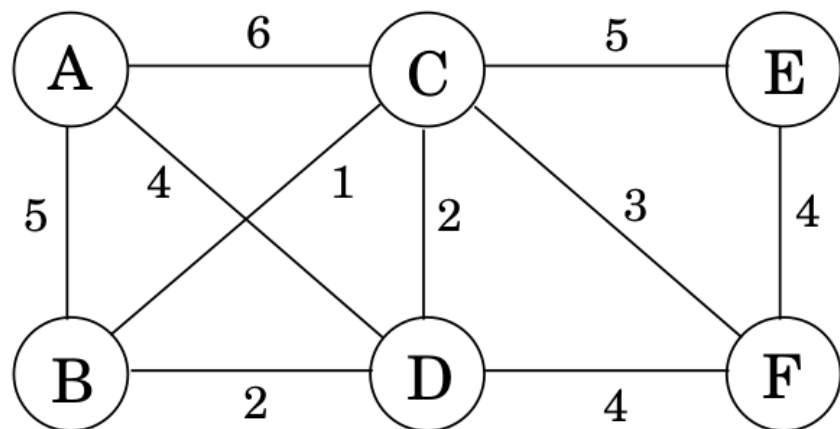
for all edges  $\{u, v\} \in E$ , in increasing order of weight:

    if `find`( $u$ )  $\neq$  `find`( $v$ ):

        add edge  $\{u, v\}$  to  $X$

`union`( $u, v$ )

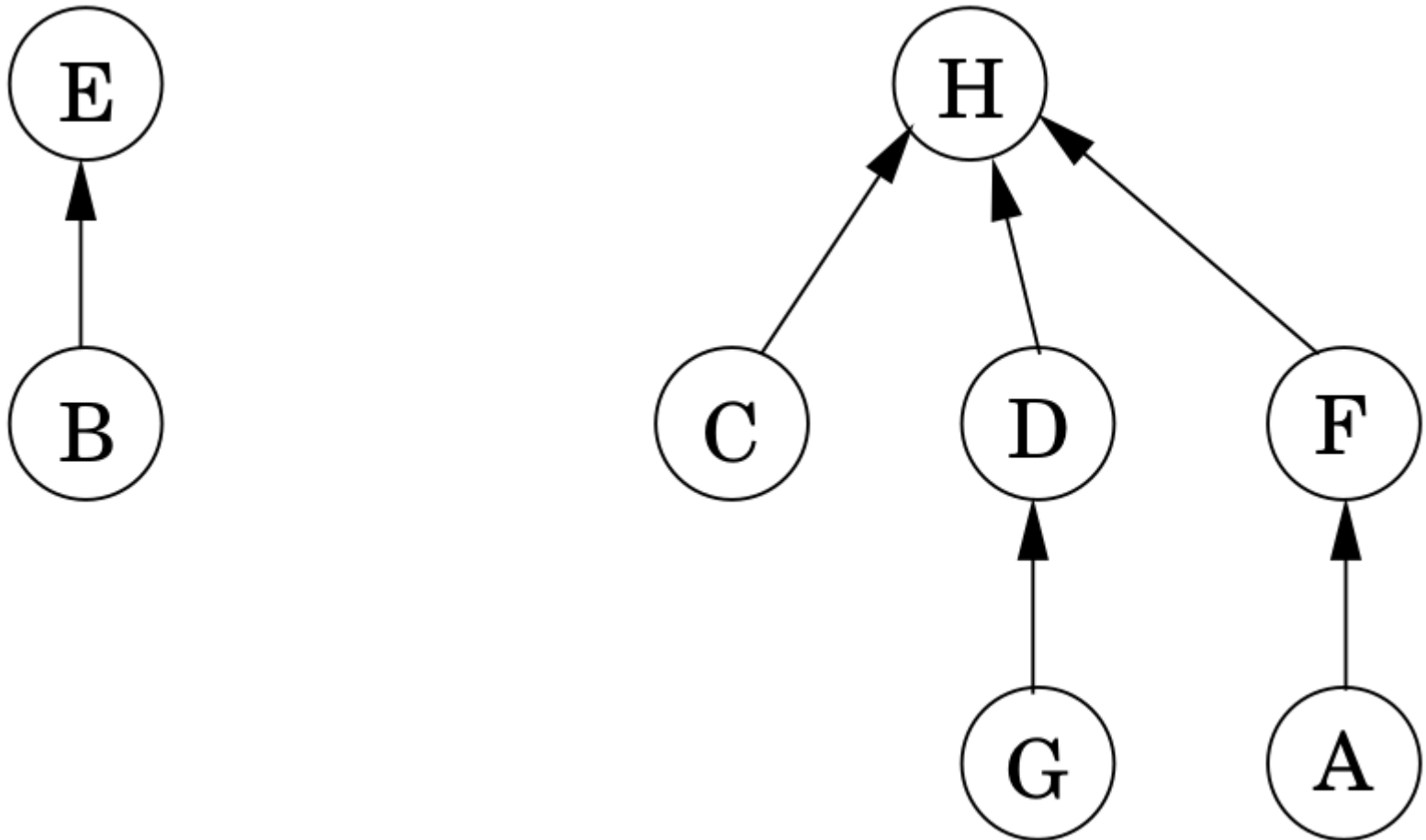




# UNION BY RANK

- Use directed trees
- Each node has a parent pointer  $\pi$
- Each node has a rank (height of its subtree)

Directed tree representation of sets  $\{B, E\}$  and  $\{A, C, D, F, G, H\}$ :



procedure makeset ( $x$ )

$\pi(x) = x$

$\text{rank}(x) = 0$

function find ( $x$ )

while  $x \neq \pi(x) : x = \pi(x)$

return  $x$

procedure union( $x, y$ )

$r_x = \text{find}(x)$

$r_y = \text{find}(y)$

if  $r_x = r_y$ : return

if  $\text{rank}(r_x) > \text{rank}(r_y)$ :

$\pi(r_y) = r_x$

else:

$\pi(r_x) = r_y$

if  $\text{rank}(r_x) = \text{rank}(r_y)$ :  $\text{rank}(r_y) = \text{rank}(r_y) + 1$



After makeset on  $A$  through  $G$ :

$A^0$

$B^0$

$C^0$

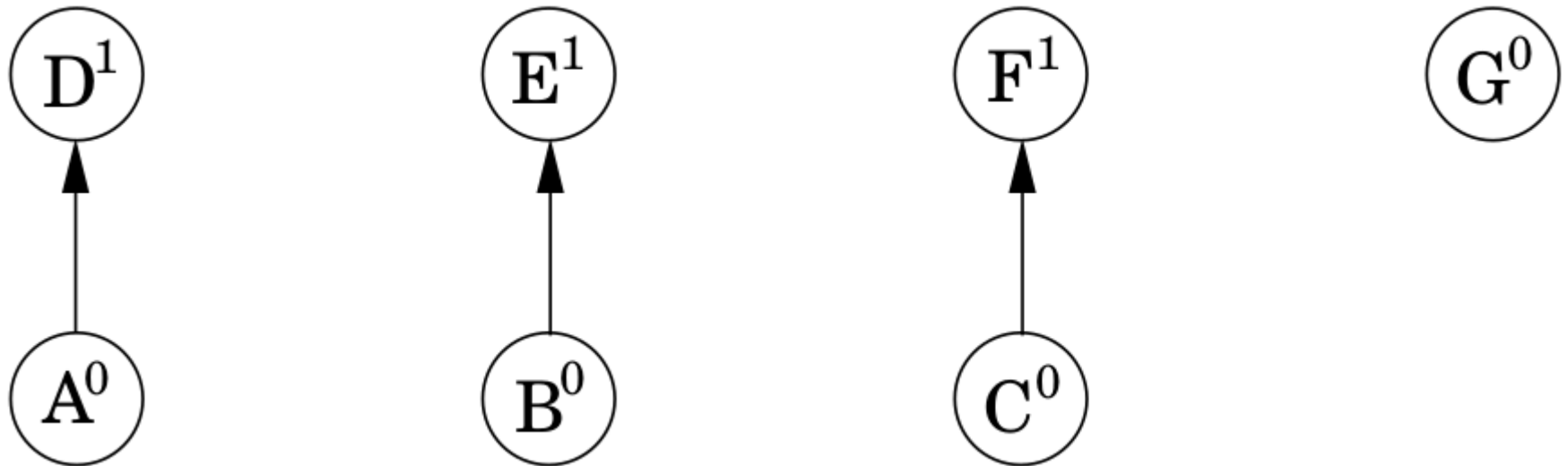
$D^0$

$E^0$

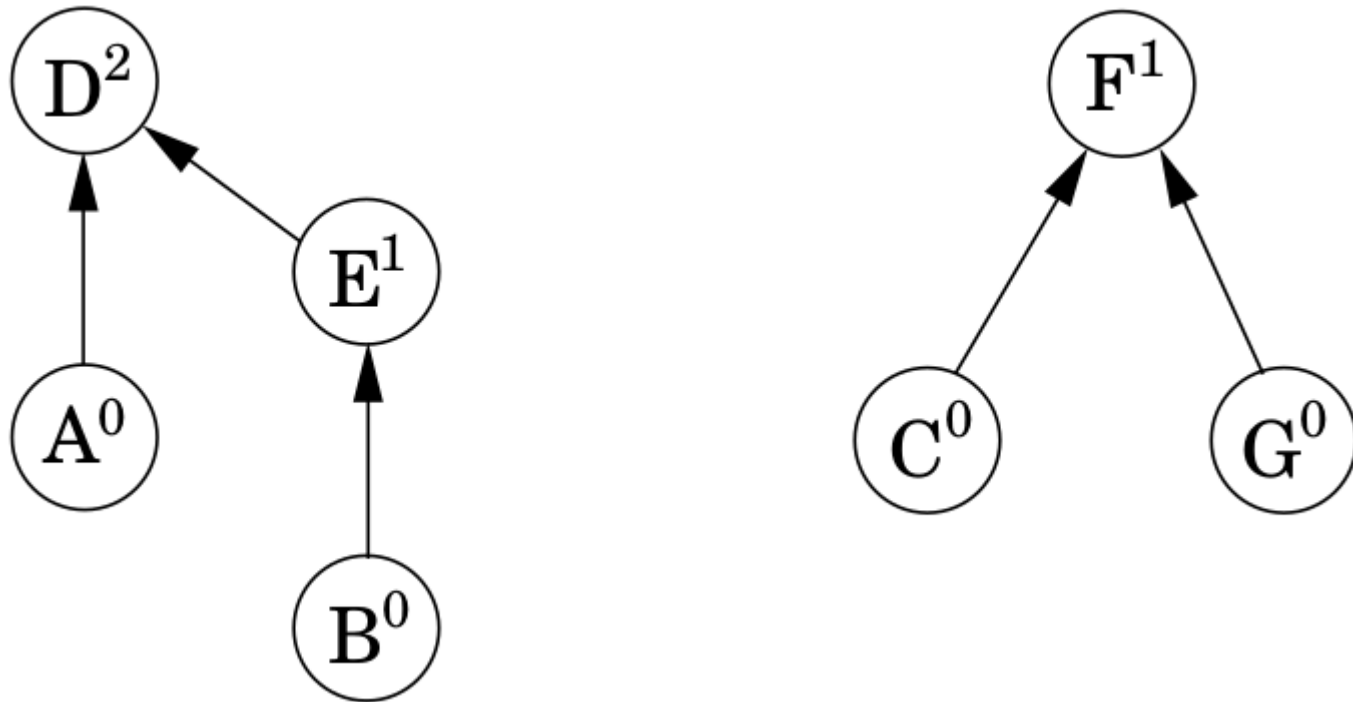
$F^0$

$G^0$

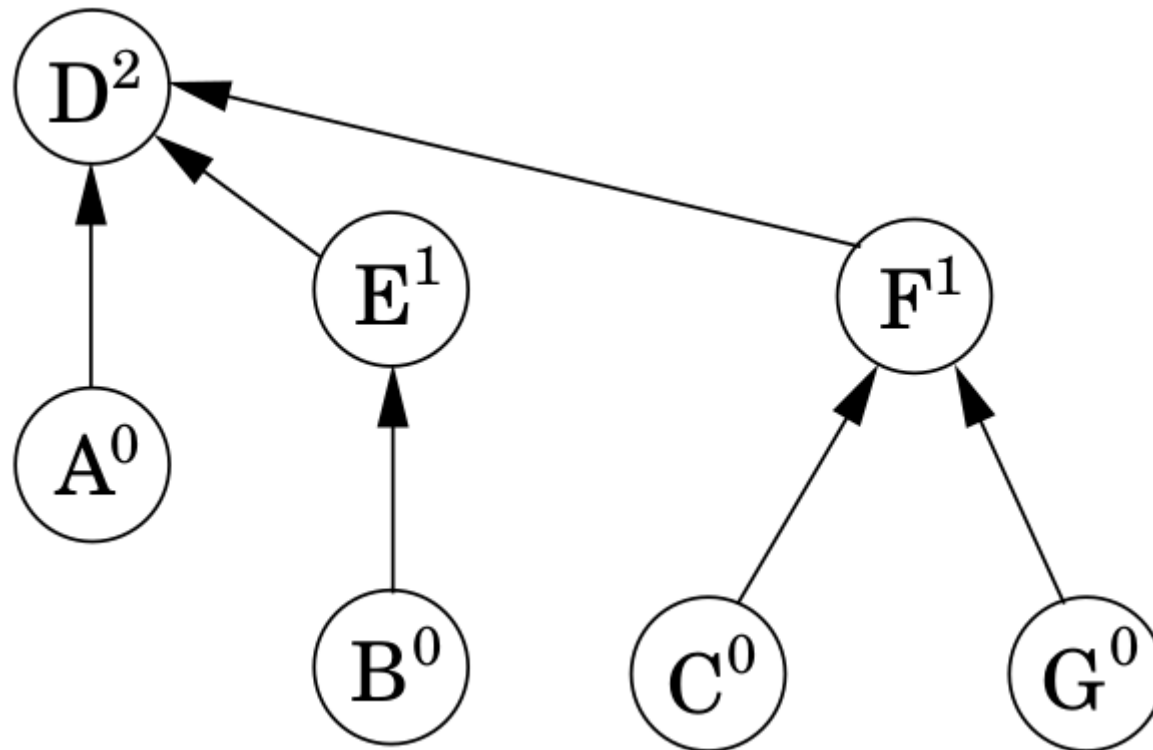
After union(A, D), union(B, E), union(C, F):



After union(C, G), union(E, A):



After union(B, G):



$$\text{rank}(x) < \text{rank}(\pi(x))$$

A root node of rank  $k$  is created by merging two trees  
with rank  $k - 1$ , so  
a root node of rank  $k$  has at least  $2^k$  nodes in its tree  
(internal nodes too!)

If there are  $n$  elements, there can be at most  $n/2^k$  nodes of rank  $k$ .

So the maximum rank is  $\log n$

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    if `find`( $u$ )  $\neq$  `find`( $v$ ):

        add edge  $\{u, v\}$  to  $X$

`union`( $u, v$ )



## Time for Kruskal's

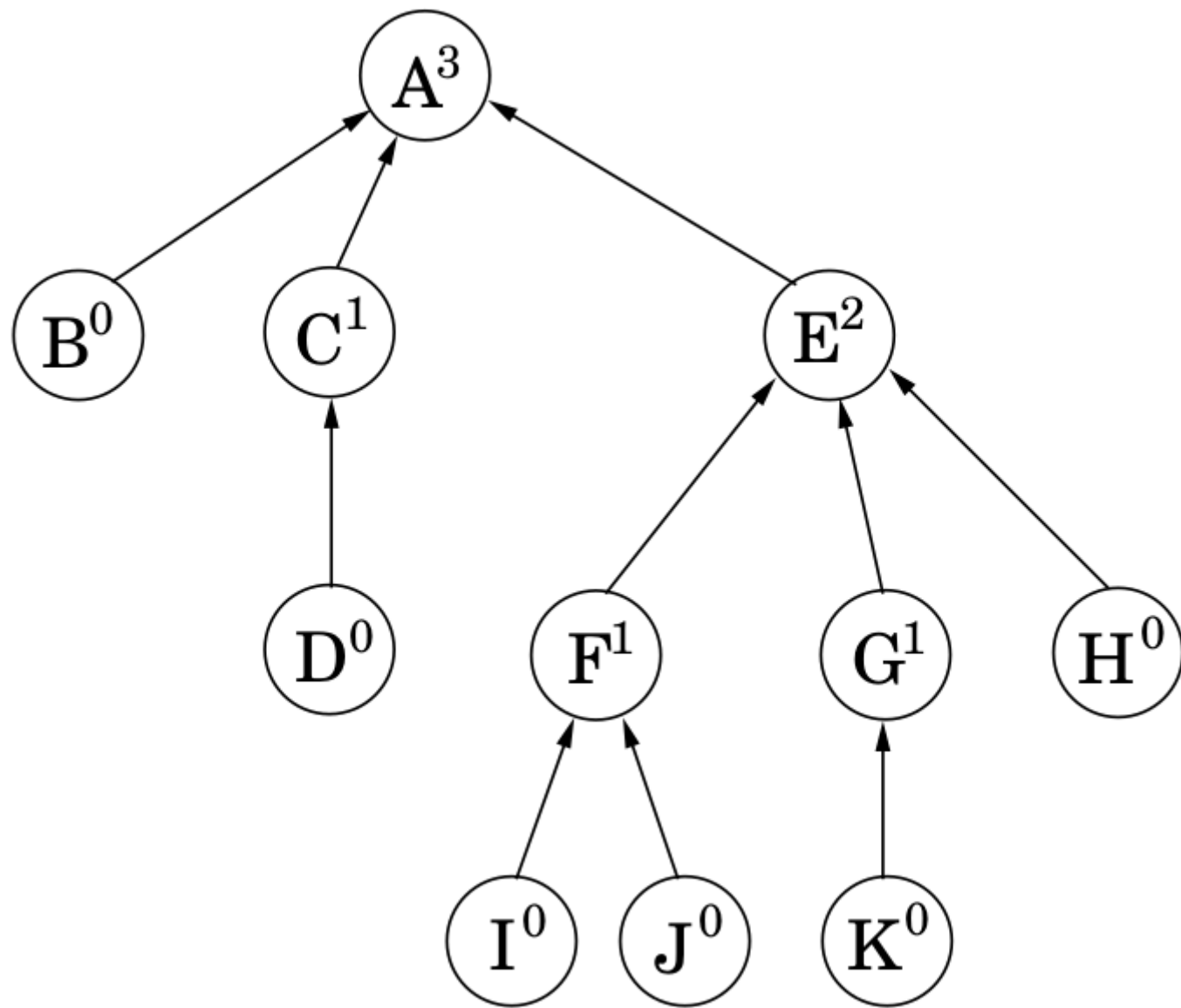
- $|V|$  makeset operations
- $2|E|$  find operations
- $|V| - 1$  union operations

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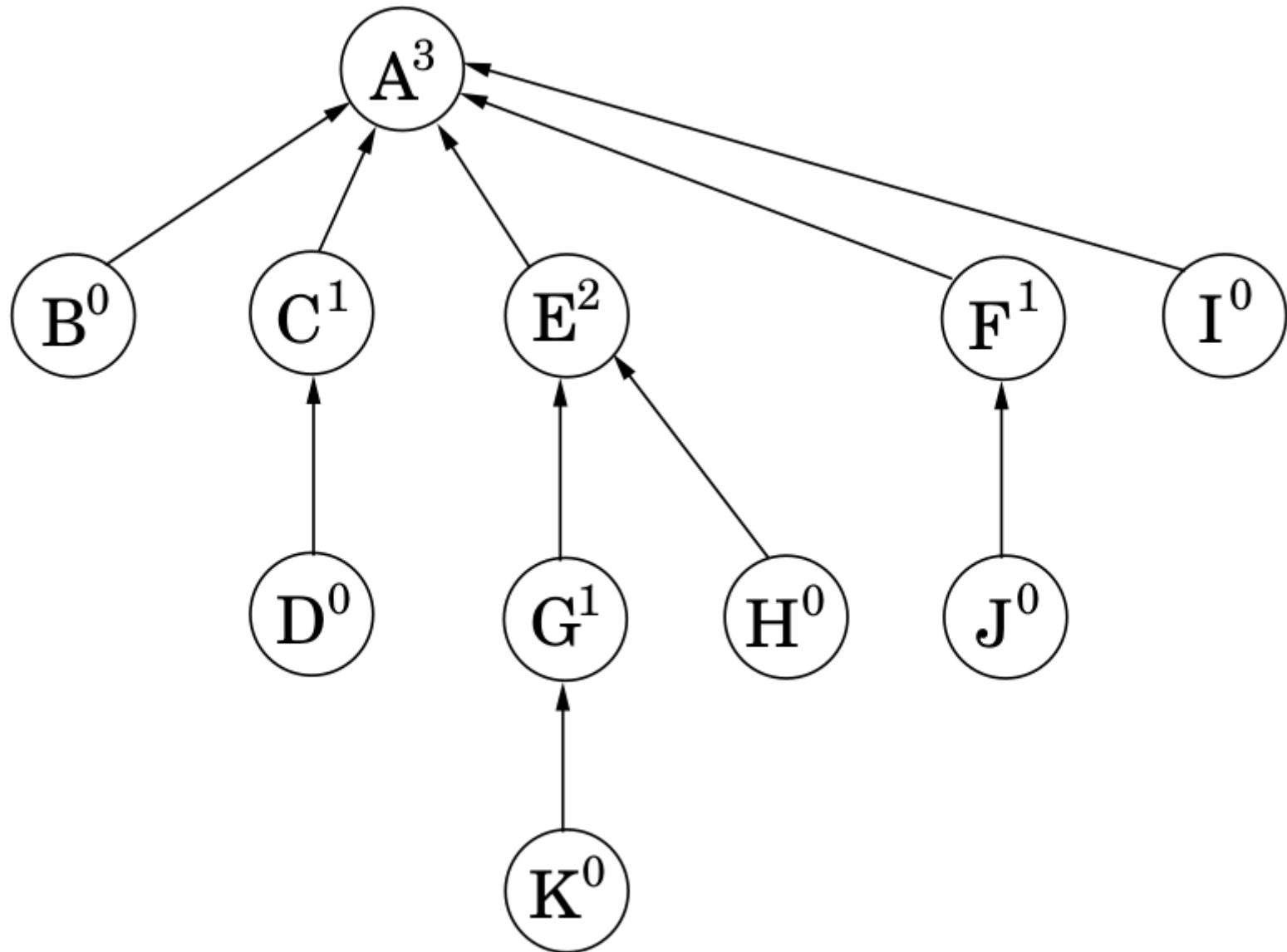
- $O(|E| \log |V|)$  for sorting edges
- $O(|E| \log |V|)$  for union and find

Can we do better?

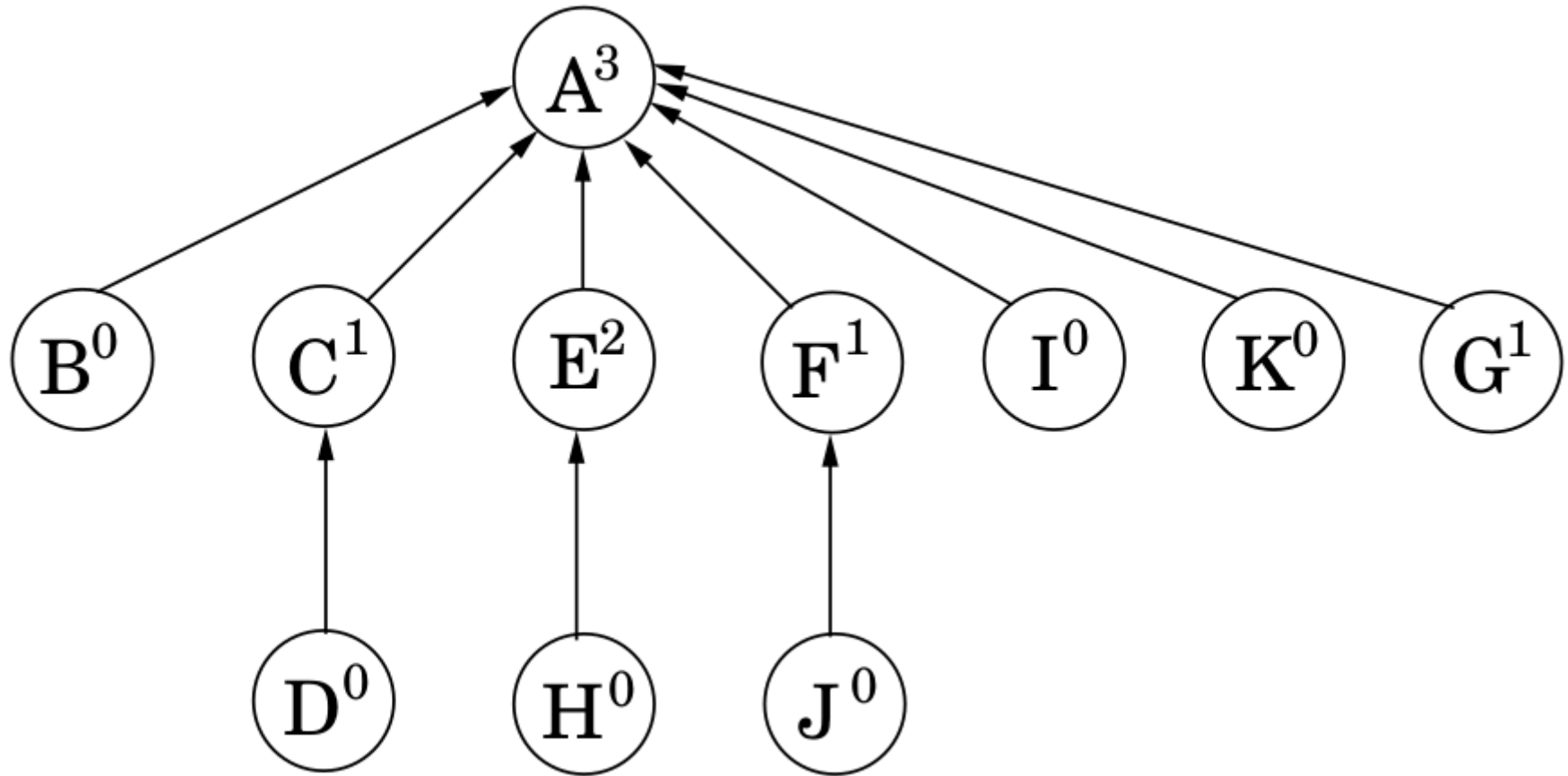
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function find( $x$ )  
if  $x \neq \pi(x)$ :  $\pi(x) = \text{find}(\pi(x))$   
return  $\pi(x)$ 
```



After find(I)



After find(K)



- find operations look at the inside of the tree
- union operations look at the root
- path compression doesn't affect union or change ranks
- rank properties still hold



Ranks can vary between 0 and  $\lg n$

- $\{1\}$
- $\{2\}$
- $\{3, 4\}$
- $\{5, 6, \dots, 16\}$
- $\{17, 18, 2^{16} = 65536\}$
- $\{65537, 65538, \dots, 2^{65536}\}$
- ...

That is,  $\{k + 1, k + 2, \dots, 2^k\}$

Let  $\lg^* n$  be the number of lgs to bring it down to 1:

$$\lg^* 1000 = 4$$

$$\lg 1000 \approx 9.97$$

$$\lg 9.97 \approx 3.32$$

$$\lg 3.32 \approx 1.73$$

$$\lg 1.73 \approx 0.79$$

Some find operations may take longer than others.

Give each node some cash, so the total amount is  
 $\leq n \lg^* n$  dollars.

Then find takes  $O(\lg^* n)$  steps plus a bit (covered by the cash)

Node gets its cash when it is no longer a root (then rank is fixed)

If rank is in  $\{k + 1, k + 2, \dots, 2^k\}$ , it gets  $2^k$  dollars.

Number of nodes with rank  $> k$  is bounded by

$$\frac{n}{2^{k+1}} + \frac{n}{2^{k+2}} + \cdots \leq \frac{n}{2^k}$$

So total amount given to nodes in this interval is at most  $n$

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There are  $\lg^* n$  intervals

Total amount given out is  $\leq n \lg^* n$

Time for a specific find operation -- number of pointers followed

Nodes  $x$  on the chain to the root are in one of two categories:

- rank of  $\pi(x)$  is in a higher interval than rank of  $x$
- rank of  $\pi(x)$  is in the same interval



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At most  $\lg^* n$  nodes of the first type:  $O(\lg^* n)$  work

Remaining nodes pay a dollar for their processing

We require that each node has enough to cover this.

- Each time  $x$  pays a dollar, parent's rank increases
- If  $x$ 's rank is in  $\{k + 1, k + 2, \dots, 2^k\}$ , then it pays at most  $2^k$  dollars

Then  $m$  find operations take at most  $O(m \lg^* n)$  plus  
at most  $O(n \lg^* n)$

In general, this form of greedy scheme will work:

$X = \{ \}$  (edges picked so far)

repeat until  $|X| = |V| - 1$ :

    pick a set  $S \subset V$  for which  $X$  has no edges between  $S$  and  $V - S$

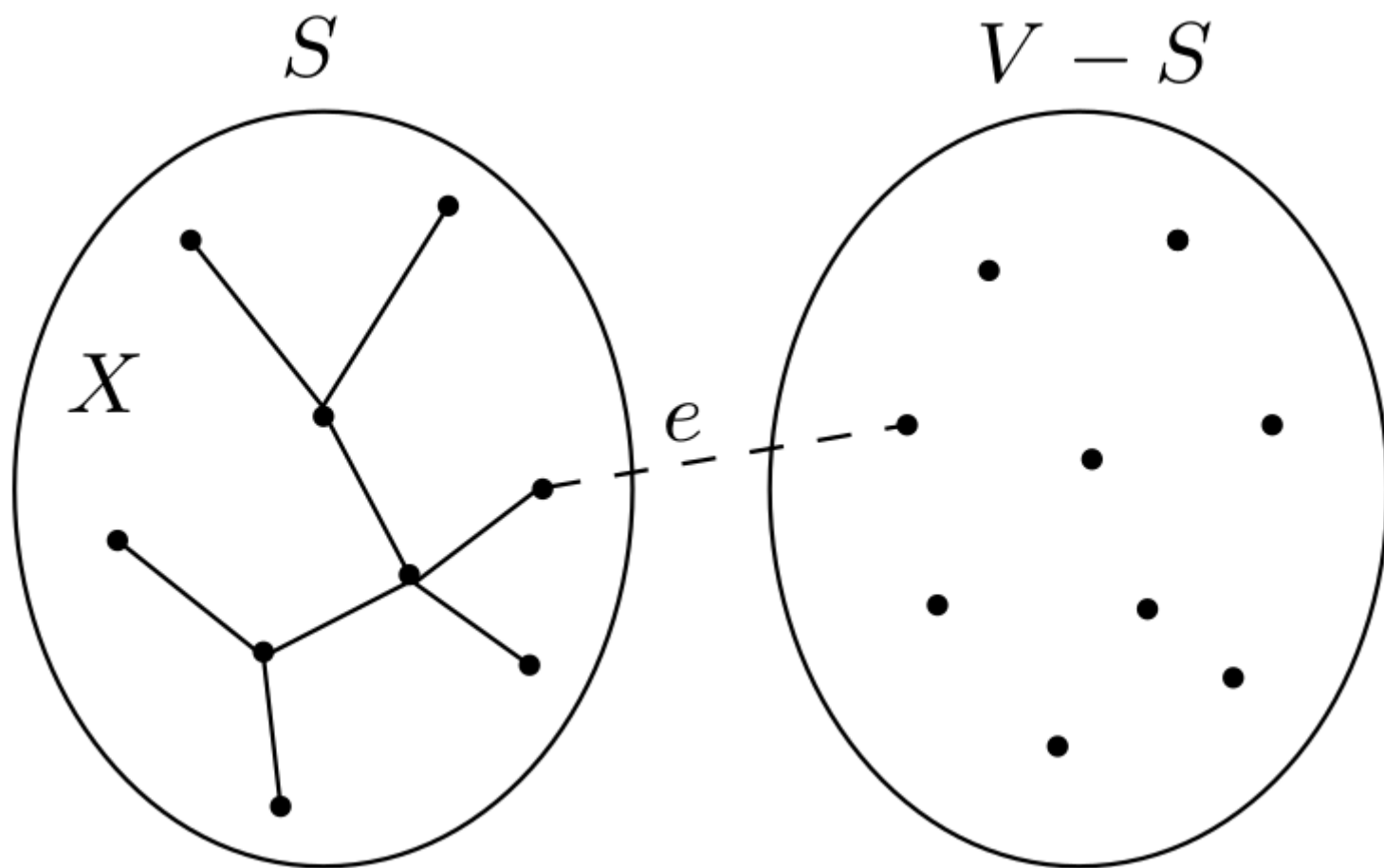
    let  $e \in E$  be the minimum-weight edge between  $S$  and  $V - S$

$X = X \cup \{e\}$

# PRIM'S ALGORITHM

- Edge set  $X$  is always a subtree of  $G$
- $X$  grows by one (lightest) edge each time

(or think of  $S$  as growing to include the cheapest next vertex)



procedure prim( $G, w$ )

Input: A connected undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with edge weights  $w_e$

Output: A minimum spanning tree defined by the array prev

for all  $u \in V$ :

$\text{cost}(u) = \infty$

$\text{prev}(u) = \text{nil}$

Pick any initial node  $u_0$

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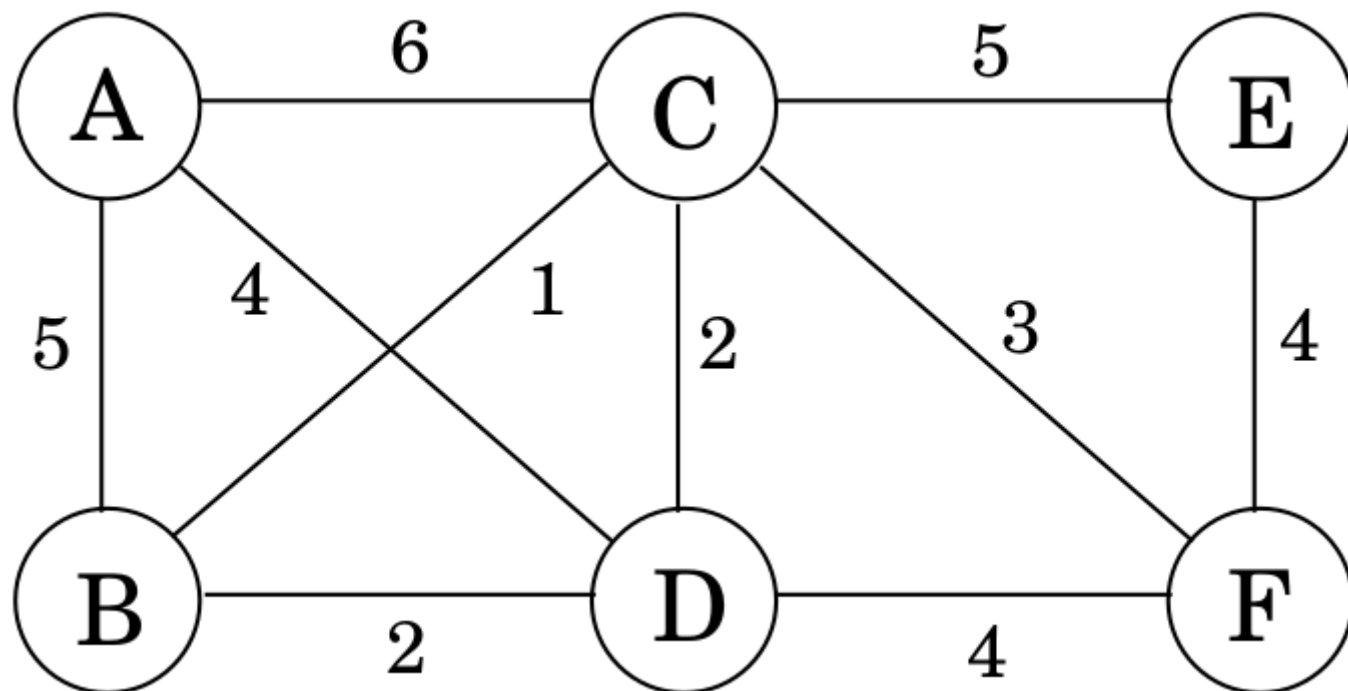
    for each  $\{v, z\} \in E$ :

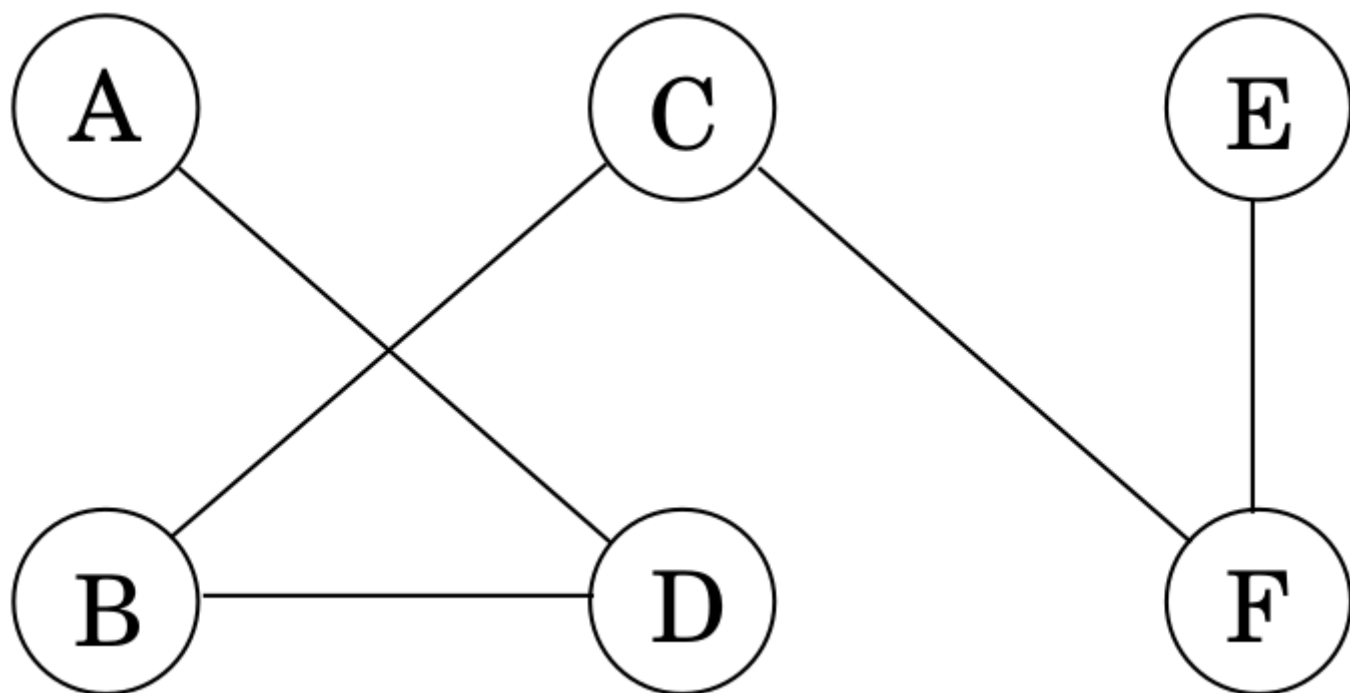
        if  $\text{cost}(z) > w(v, z)$ :

$\text{cost}(z) = w(v, z)$

$\text{prev}(z) = v$

$\text{decreasekey}(H, z)$







Set $S$	$A$	$B$	$C$	$D$	$E$	$F$
$\{\}$	0/nil	$\infty$ /nil	$\infty$ /nil	$\infty$ /nil	$\infty$ /nil	$\infty$ /nil
$A$		5/ $A$	6/ $A$	4/ $A$	$\infty$ /nil	$\infty$ /nil
$A, D$		2/ $D$	2/ $D$		$\infty$ /nil	4/ $D$
$A, D, B$			1/ $B$		$\infty$ /nil	4/ $D$
$A, D, B, C$					5/ $C$	3/ $C$
$A, D, B, C, F$					4/ $F$	