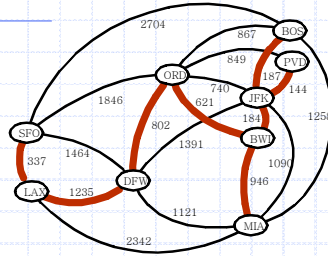


Minimum Spanning Trees



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Spanning subgraph

- Subgraph of a graph G containing all the vertices of G

Spanning tree

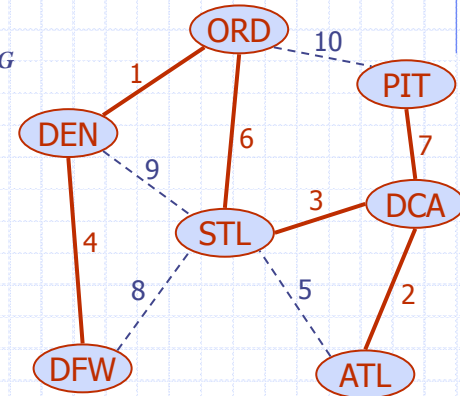
- Spanning subgraph that is itself a (free) tree

Minimum spanning tree (MST)

- Spanning tree of a weighted graph with minimum total edge weight

Applications

- Communications networks
- Transportation networks



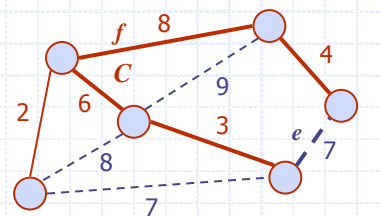
Cycle Property

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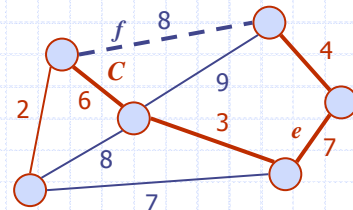
- Let T be a minimum spanning tree of a weighted graph G
- Let e be an edge of G that is not in T and C let be the cycle formed by e with T
- For every edge f of C , $\text{weight}(f) \leq \text{weight}(e)$

Proof:

- By contradiction
- If $\text{weight}(f) > \text{weight}(e)$ we can get a spanning tree of smaller weight by replacing e with f



Replacing f with e yields a better spanning tree



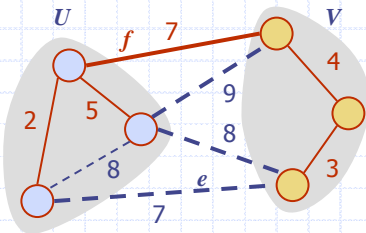
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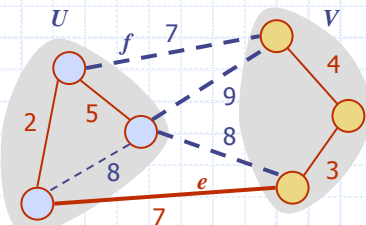
- Consider a partition of the vertices of G into subsets U and V
- Let e be an edge of minimum weight across the partition
- There is a minimum spanning tree of G containing edge e

Proof:

- Let T be an MST of G
- If T does not contain e , consider the cycle C formed by e with T and let f be an edge of C across the partition
- By the cycle property, $\text{weight}(f) \leq \text{weight}(e)$
- Thus, $\text{weight}(f) = \text{weight}(e)$
- We obtain another MST by replacing f with e



Replacing f with e yields another MST



Kruskal's Algorithm

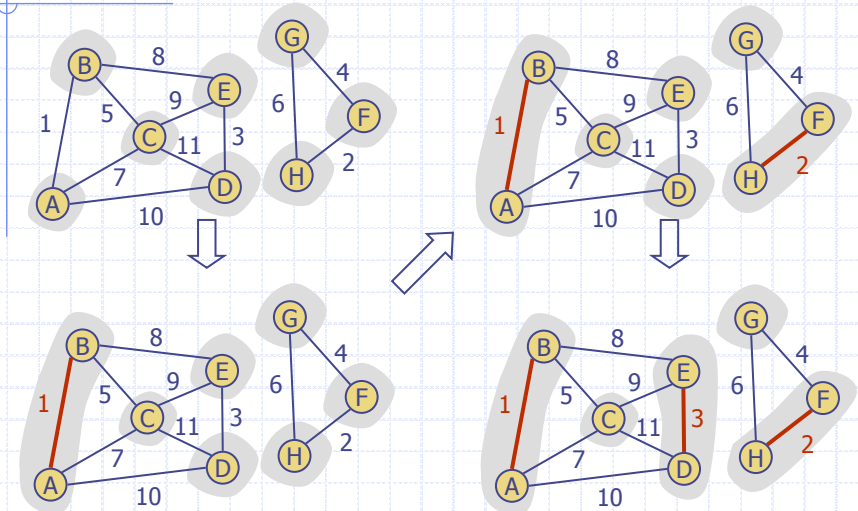
- Maintain a partition of the vertices into clusters
 - Initially, single-vertex clusters
 - Keep an MST for each cluster
 - Merge "closest" clusters and their MSTs
- A priority queue stores the edges outside clusters
 - Key: weight
 - Element: edge
- At the end of the algorithm
 - One cluster and one MST

Algorithm *KruskalMST*(*G*)

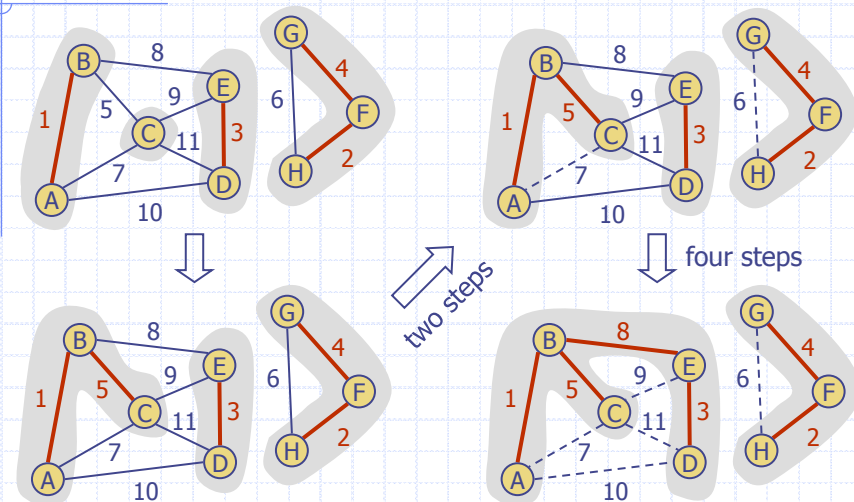
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for each vertex v in G do
    Create a cluster consisting of v
let Q be a priority queue.
Insert all edges into Q
T ← ∅
{ T is the union of the MSTs of the clusters }
while T has fewer than n - 1 edges do
    e ← Q.removeMin().getValue()
    [u, v] ← G.endVertices(e)
    A ← getCluster(u)
    B ← getCluster(v)
    if A ≠ B then
        Add edge e to T
        mergeClusters(A, B)
return T
    
```

Example



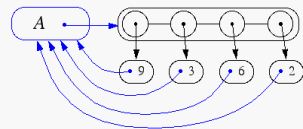
Example (contd.)



Data Structure for Kruskal's Algorithm

- The algorithm maintains a forest of trees
- A priority queue extracts the edges by increasing weight
- An edge is accepted if it connects distinct trees
- We need a data structure that maintains a **partition**, i.e., a collection of disjoint sets, with operations:
 - **makeSet**(*u*): create a set consisting of *u*
 - **find**(*u*): return the set storing *u*
 - **union**(*A*, *B*): replace sets *A* and *B* with their union

Recall of List-based Partition



- Each set is stored in a sequence
- Each element has a reference back to the set
 - operation **find**(u) takes $O(1)$ time, and returns the set of which u is a member.
 - in operation **union**(A,B), we move the elements of the smaller set to the sequence of the larger set and update their references
 - the time for operation **union**(A,B) is $\min(|A|, |B|)$
- Whenever an element is processed, it goes into a set of size at least double, hence each element is processed at most $\log n$ times

Partition-Based Implementation

- Partition-based version of Kruskal's Algorithm
 - Cluster merges as unions
 - Cluster locations as finds
- Running time $O((n + m) \log n)$
 - PQ operations $O(m \log n)$
 - UF operations $O(n \log n)$

Algorithm **KruskalMST**(G)

```

Initialize a partition P
for each vertex v in G do
    P.makeSet(v)
let Q be a priority queue.
Insert all edges into Q
T ← ∅
{ T is the union of the MSTs of the clusters }
while T has fewer than  $n - 1$  edges do
    e ← Q.removeMin().getValue()
    [u, v] ← G.endVertices(e)
    A ← P.find(u)
    B ← P.find(v)
    if A ≠ B then
        Add edge e to T
        P.union(A, B)
return T
    
```

Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm

- Similar to Dijkstra's algorithm
- We pick an arbitrary vertex s and we grow the MST as a cloud of vertices, starting from s
- We store with each vertex v label $d(v)$ representing the smallest weight of an edge connecting v to a vertex in the cloud
- At each step:
 - We add to the cloud the vertex u outside the cloud with the smallest distance label
 - We update the labels of the vertices adjacent to u

Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm (cont.)

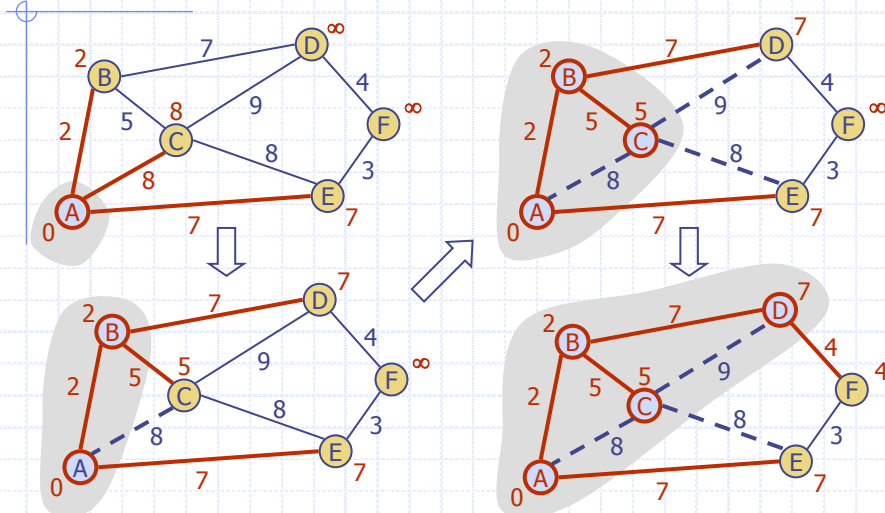
- A heap-based adaptable priority queue with location-aware entries stores the vertices outside the cloud
 - Key: distance
 - Value: vertex
 - Recall that method **replaceKey**(l, k) changes the key of entry l
- We store three labels with each vertex:
 - Distance
 - Parent edge in MST
 - Entry in priority queue

Algorithm **PrimJarnikMST**(G)

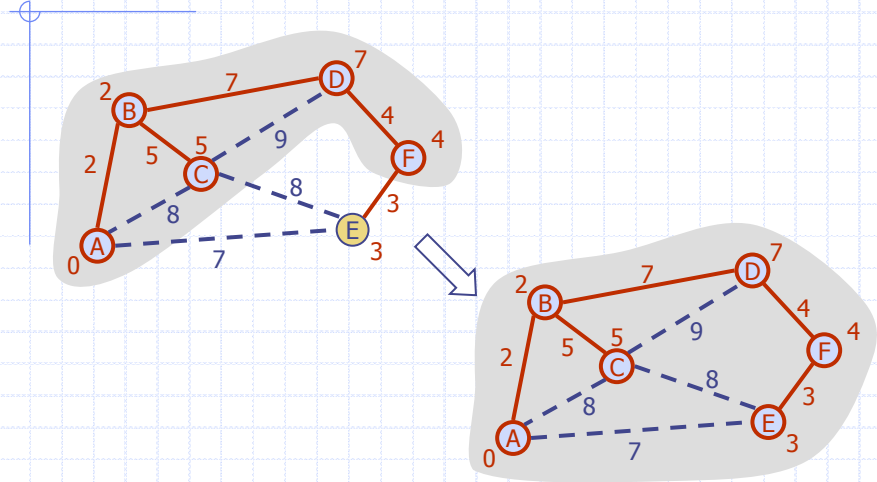
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Q ← new heap-based priority queue
s ← a vertex of G
for all v ∈ G.vertices()
    if v = s
        setDistance(v, 0)
    else
        setDistance(v, ∞)
        setParent(v, ∅)
    l ← Q.insert(getDistance(v), v)
    setLocator(v, l)
while ¬Q.isEmpty()
    l ← Q.removeMin()
    u ← l.getValue()
    for all e ∈ G.incidentEdges(u)
        z ← G.opposite(u, e)
        r ← weight(e)
        if r < getDistance(z)
            setDistance(z, r)
            setParent(z, e)
            Q.replaceKey(getEntry(z), r)
    
```

Example



Example (contd.)



Analysis

- Graph operations
 - Method `incidentEdges` is called once for each vertex
- Label operations
 - We set/get the distance, parent and locator labels of vertex z $O(\deg(z))$ times
 - Setting/getting a label takes $O(1)$ time
- Priority queue operations
 - Each vertex is inserted once into and removed once from the priority queue, where each insertion or removal takes $O(\log n)$ time
 - The key of a vertex w in the priority queue is modified at most $\deg(w)$ times, where each key change takes $O(\log n)$ time
- Prim-Jarnik's algorithm runs in $O((n + m) \log n)$ time provided the graph is represented by the adjacency list structure
 - Recall that $\sum_v \deg(v) = 2m$
- The running time is $O(m \log n)$ since the graph is connected

Baruvka's Algorithm (Exercise)

- Like Kruskal's Algorithm, Baruvka's algorithm grows many clusters at once and maintains a forest T
- Each iteration of the while loop halves the number of connected components in forest T
- The running time is $O(m \log n)$

Algorithm *BaruvkaMST(G)*

```

T ← V {just the vertices of G}
while T has fewer than n - 1 edges do
  for each connected component C in T do
    Let edge e be the smallest-weight edge from C to another component in T
    if e is not already in T then
      Add edge e to T
  return T
    
```

Example of Baruvka's Algorithm (animated)

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