

## EXPERIMENT 3

**Objective:** Implementation of Kruskal's algorithm to find Minimum Spanning Tree (MST).

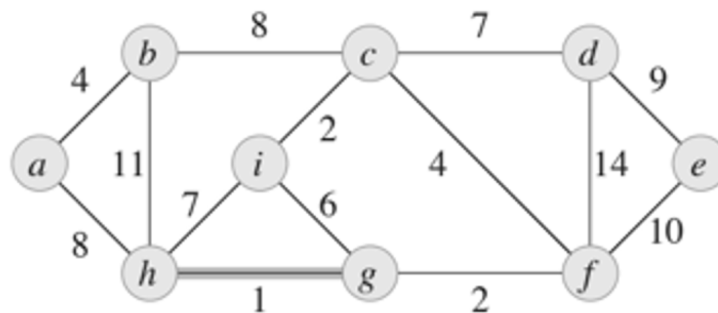
### Brief Theory:

Kruskal's Algorithm is a greedy method to find the MST of a connected, weighted graph. It sorts all edges by weight and adds them to the MST in increasing order, ensuring no cycles.

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MST-KRUSKAL( $G, w$ )
1   $A = \emptyset$ 
2  for each vertex  $v \in G.V$ 
3      MAKE-SET( $v$ )
4  create a single list of the edges in  $G.E$ 
5  sort the list of edges into monotonically increasing order by weight  $w$ 
6  for each edge  $(u, v)$  taken from the sorted list in order
7      if FIND-SET( $u$ )  $\neq$  FIND-SET( $v$ )
8           $A = A \cup \{(u, v)\}$ 
9          UNION( $u, v$ )
10 return  $A$ 
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### Task:

- 1) Implement Kruskal's algorithm to find the MST(s) of the given connected, weighted graph using Adjacency matrix.



- 2) Detect cycles during edge selection.
- 3) Allow users to input edges and weights and prepare Linked Representation to further compute the MST using Kruskal's algorithm.
- 4) Add functionality to visualize the graph. (You may use Python)

**Apparatus and components required:** Computer with C or C++ Compiler and Linux/Windows platform.

**Experimental/numerical procedure:** Coding, compilation, editing, run and debugging.