

Algorithms Design

Chap04-Greedy Algorithms

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Chap04-Greedy Algorithms Outline

- 4.1 Interval Scheduling and Interval Partitioning
- 4.2 Scheduling to Minimize Lateness
- 4.3 Optimal Caching
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4.4 Shortest Paths in a Graph

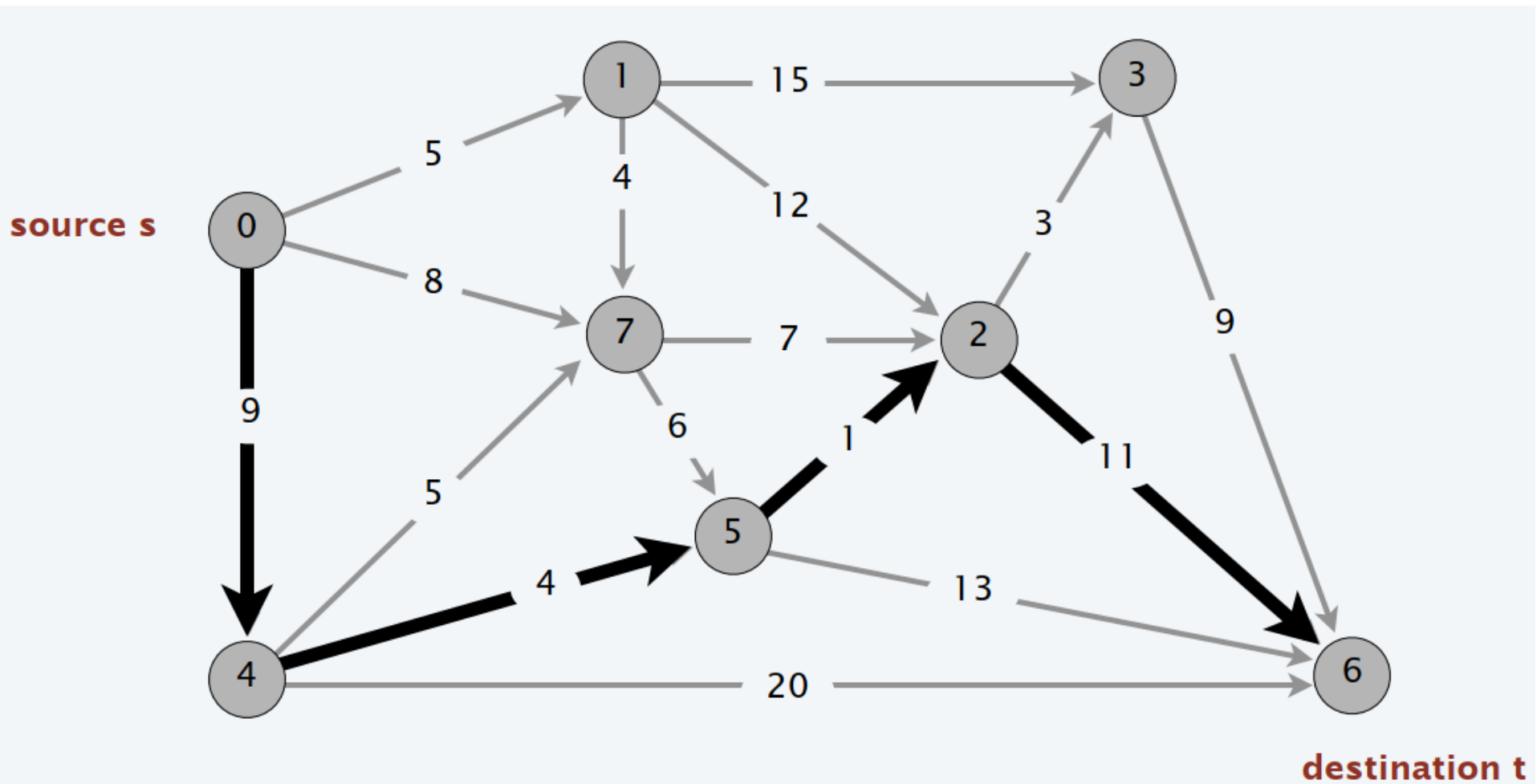
Shortest path network.

- Directed graph $G = (V, E)$.
- Source $s \in V$, destination $t \in V$.
- Length $l_e = \text{length of edge } e. (l_e \geq 0)$

Goal

- find a shortest path from s to t .
- Cost of path = sum of edge costs in path

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Suppose that you change the length of every edge of G as follows. For which is every shortest path in G a shortest path in G' ?

- A. Add 17.
- B. Multiply by 17.
- C. Either A or B.
- D. Neither A nor B

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Shortest path applications

- Map routing.
- Robot navigation.
- Texture mapping.
- Urban traffic planning.
- Network routing protocols (OSPF, BGP, RIP).
- ...

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Which variant in car GPS?

- A. Single source: from one node s to every other node.
- B. Single target: from every node to one node t .
- C. Source–target: from one node s to another node t .
- D. All pairs: between all pairs of nodes.

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Dijkstra's algorithm

- single-source shortest paths problem

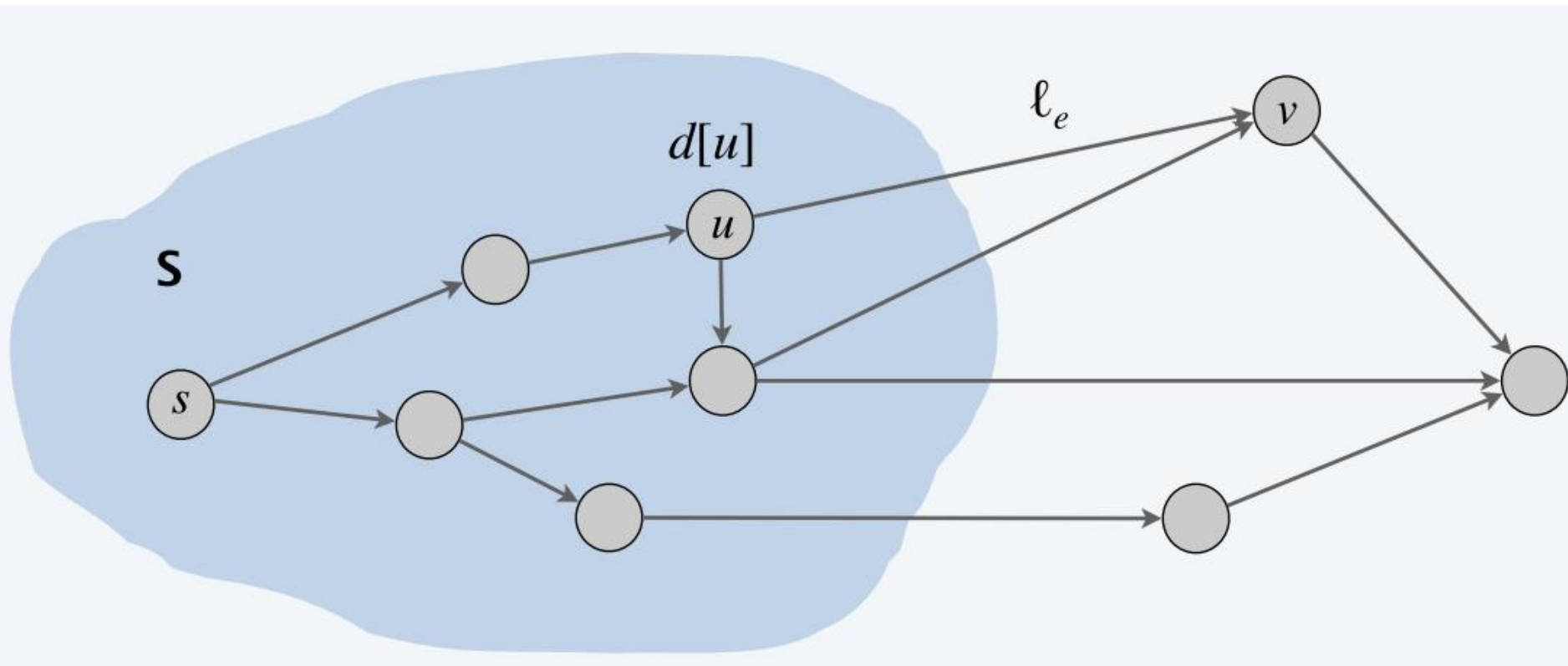
Greedy approach

- Maintain a set of **explored nodes** S for which algorithm has determined the shortest path distance $d[u]$ from s to u .
- Initialize $S = \{s\}$, $d[s] = 0$.

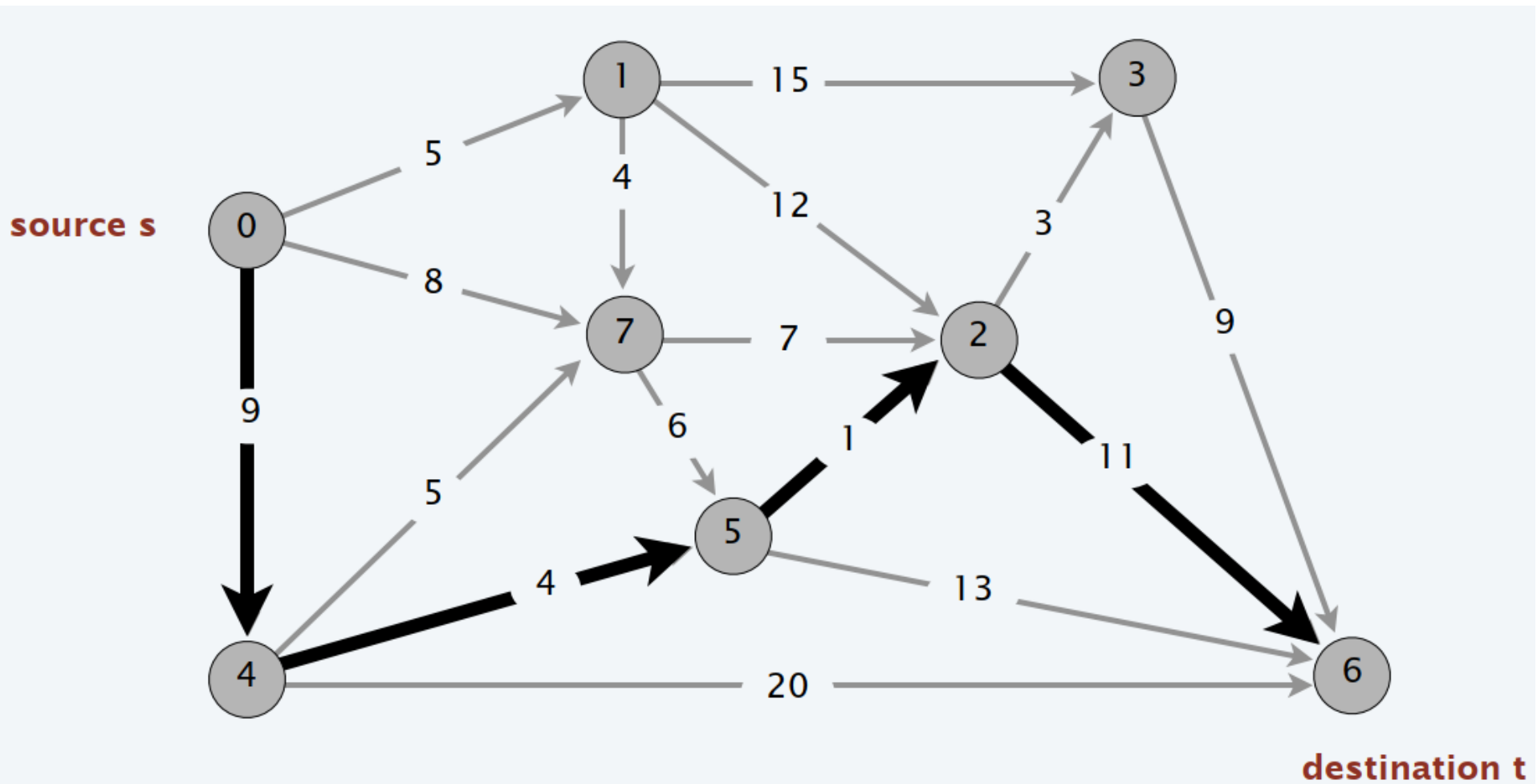
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- [continue]
- Repeatedly choose unexplored node $v \notin S$ which minimizes
$$\pi(v) = \min_{e=(u,v):u \in S} d[u] + l_e$$
Add v to S , and set $d[v] = \pi(v)$
- To recover path, set $\text{pred}[v] \leftarrow e$ that achieves min.

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$$S = \{0\}, d[0] = 0$$

$$\pi[1] = 5, \pi[7] = 8, \pi[4] = 9, S = \{0, 1\}, d[1] = 5, \text{pred}[1] = 0$$

$$\pi[7] = \min(8, 9), \pi[3] = 15 + 5 = 20, \pi[2] = 17, |\pi[4] = 9, \\ S = \{0, 1, 7\}, d[7] = 8, \text{pred}[7] = 0$$

$$\pi[5] = 8 + 6 = 14, \pi[2] = \min(8 + 7, 5 + 12), |\pi[4] = 9, \\ \pi[3] = 20, S = \{0, 1, 4, 7\}, d[4] = 9, \text{pred}[4] = 0$$

$$\pi[5] = \min(9 + 4, 14), \pi[6] = 9 + 20 = 29, |\pi[2] = 15, \\ \pi[3] = 20, S = \{0, 1, 4, 5, 7\}, d[5] = 13, \text{pred}[5] = 4$$

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$\pi[2]=\min(13+1, 8+7)$, $\pi[6]=\min(13+13, 29)$,
 $\pi[3]=20$, $S=\{0,1,2,4,5,7\}$, $d[2]=14$, $\text{pred}[2]=5$

$\pi[3]=\min(20, 14+3)$, $\pi[6]=\min(26, 14+11)$,
 $S=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,7\}$, $d[3]=17$, $\text{pred}[3]=2$

$\pi[6]=\min(17+9, 14+11)=25$,
 $S=\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7\}$, $d[6]=25$, $\text{pred}[6]=2$

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	V1	V2	V3	V4	V5	V6	V7	S
R1	5=5 (v ₀)	∞	∞	9 (v ₀)	∞	∞	8 (v ₀)	{0,1}
R2		5+12=17 (v ₁)	5+15=20 (v ₁)	9 (v ₀)	∞	∞	min(9,8) =8(v ₀)	{0,1,7}
R3		min(15,17) =15(v ₇)	20 (v ₁)	9=9(v ₀)	8+6=14 (v ₇)	∞		{0,1,4,7 }
R4		15 (v ₇)	20 (v ₁)		min(13, 14)=13 (v ₄)	20+9=29 (v ₄)		{0,1,4,5, 7}
R5		min(14,15) =14(v ₅)	20 (v ₁)			min(26,29) =26(v ₅)		{0,1,2,4, 5,7}
R6			min(17,20)=17(v ₂)			min(25,26) =25(v ₂)		{0,1,2,3, 4,5,7}
R7						min(26,25) =25(v ₂)		{0,1,2,3, 4,5,6,7}

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Invariant. For each node $u \in S$, $d[u]$ is the length of the shortest s - u path.

Pf. (by induction on $|S|$)

Base case: $|S| = 1$ is easy since $S = \{s\}$ and $d[s] = 0$.

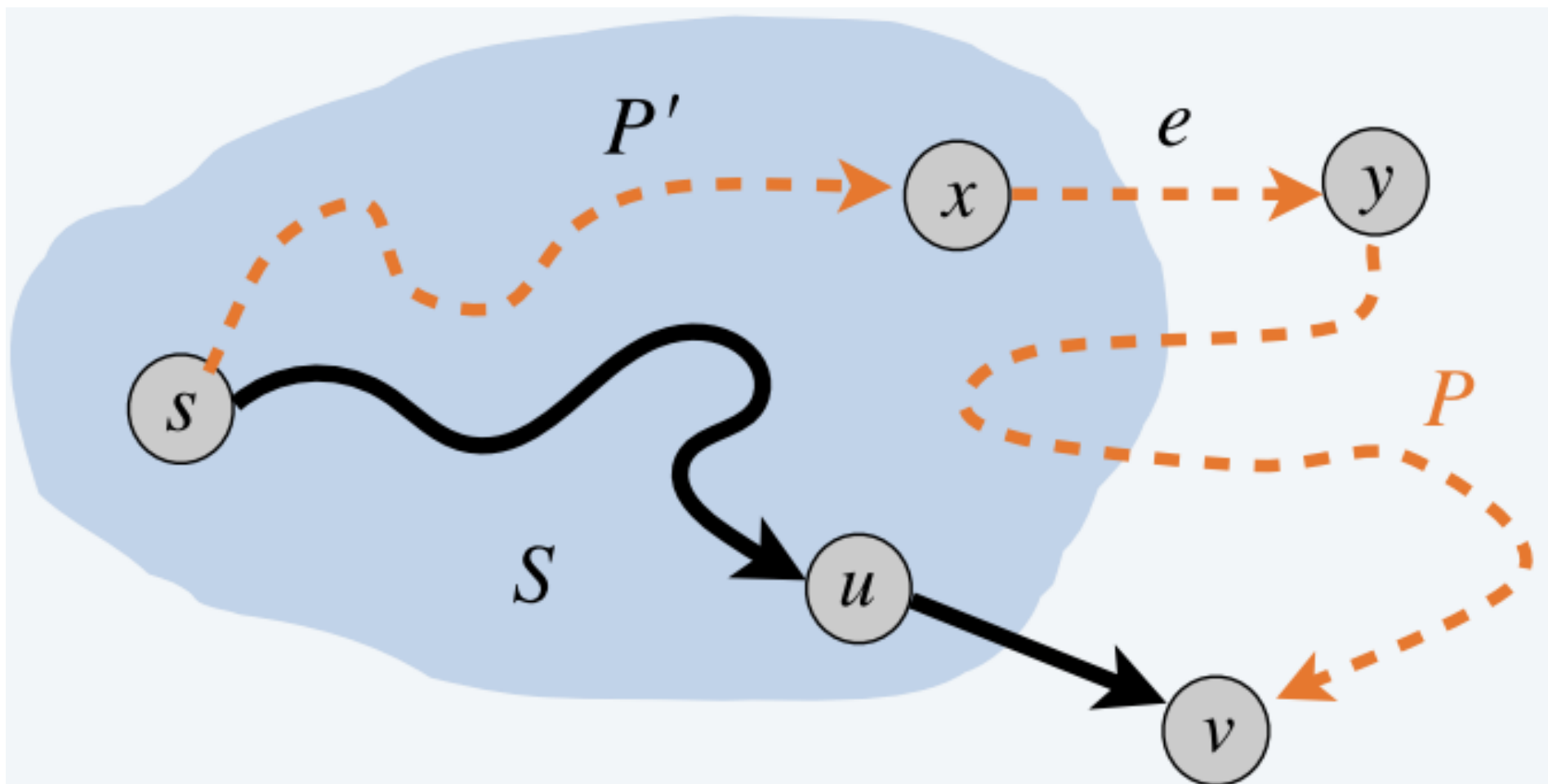
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Inductive hypothesis:

Assume true for $|S| = k \geq 1$.

- Let v be next node added to S , and let $u-v$ be the chosen edge.
- The shortest $s-u$ path plus (u, v) is an $s-v$ path of length $\pi(v)$.
- Consider any $s-v$ path P . We'll see that it's no shorter than $\pi(v)$.
- Let $x-y$ be the first edge in P that leaves S , and let P' be the subpath to x .
- P is already too long as soon as it leaves S .

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Efficient implementation

- For each unexplored node $v \notin S$:
explicitly maintain $\pi[v]$ instead of
computing directly from definition

$$\pi(v) = \min_{e=(u,v):u \in S} d[u] + l_e$$

- The set of unexplored nodes can only decrease because set S increases.
- Specifically, it suffices to update:

$$\pi[v] = \min(\pi[v], \pi[u] + l_e)$$

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Efficient implementation

Use a min-oriented **priority queue** (PQ) to choose an unexplored node that minimizes $\pi[v]$.

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Efficient Implementation.

- Algorithm maintains $\pi[v]$ for each node v .
- Priority Queue(PQ) stores unexplored nodes, using $\pi[]$ as priorities.
- Once u is deleted from the PQ, $\pi[u] =$ length of a shortest s - u path.

DIJKSTRA (V, E, ℓ, s)

FOREACH $v \neq s : \pi[v] \leftarrow \infty, pred[v] \leftarrow null; \pi[s] \leftarrow 0.$

Create an empty priority queue pq .

FOREACH $v \in V : \text{INSERT}(pq, v, \pi[v]).$

WHILE ($\text{IS-NOT-EMPTY}(pq)$)

$u \leftarrow \text{DEL-MIN}(pq).$

 FOREACH edge $e = (u, v) \in E$ leaving u :

 IF ($\pi[v] > \pi[u] + \ell_e$)

$\text{DECREASE-KEY}(pq, v, \pi[u] + \ell_e).$

$\pi[v] \leftarrow \pi[u] + \ell_e; pred[v] \leftarrow e.$

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Performance. n INSERT, n DELETE-MIN,
 $\leq m$ DECREASE-KEY.

priority queue	INSERT	DELETE-MIN	DECREASE-KEY	total
node-indexed array ($A[i]$ = priority of i)	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n^2)$
binary heap	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(m \log n)$
d-way heap (Johnson 1975)	$O(d \log_d n)$	$O(d \log_d n)$	$O(\log_d n)$	$O(m \log_{m/n} n)$
Fibonacci heap (Fredman-Tarjan 1984)	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)^\dagger$	$O(1)^\dagger$	$O(m + n \log n)$
integer priority queue (Thorup 2004)	$O(1)$	$O(\log \log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(m + n \log \log n)$

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Dijkstra's algorithm and proof extend to several related problems

- Shortest paths in undirected graphs:
 $\pi[v] \leq \pi[u] + \ell(u, v)$.
- Maximum capacity paths: $\pi[v] \geq \min(\pi[u], c(u, v))$.
- Maximum reliability paths: $\pi[v] \geq \pi[u] \times \gamma(u, v)$.
- ...

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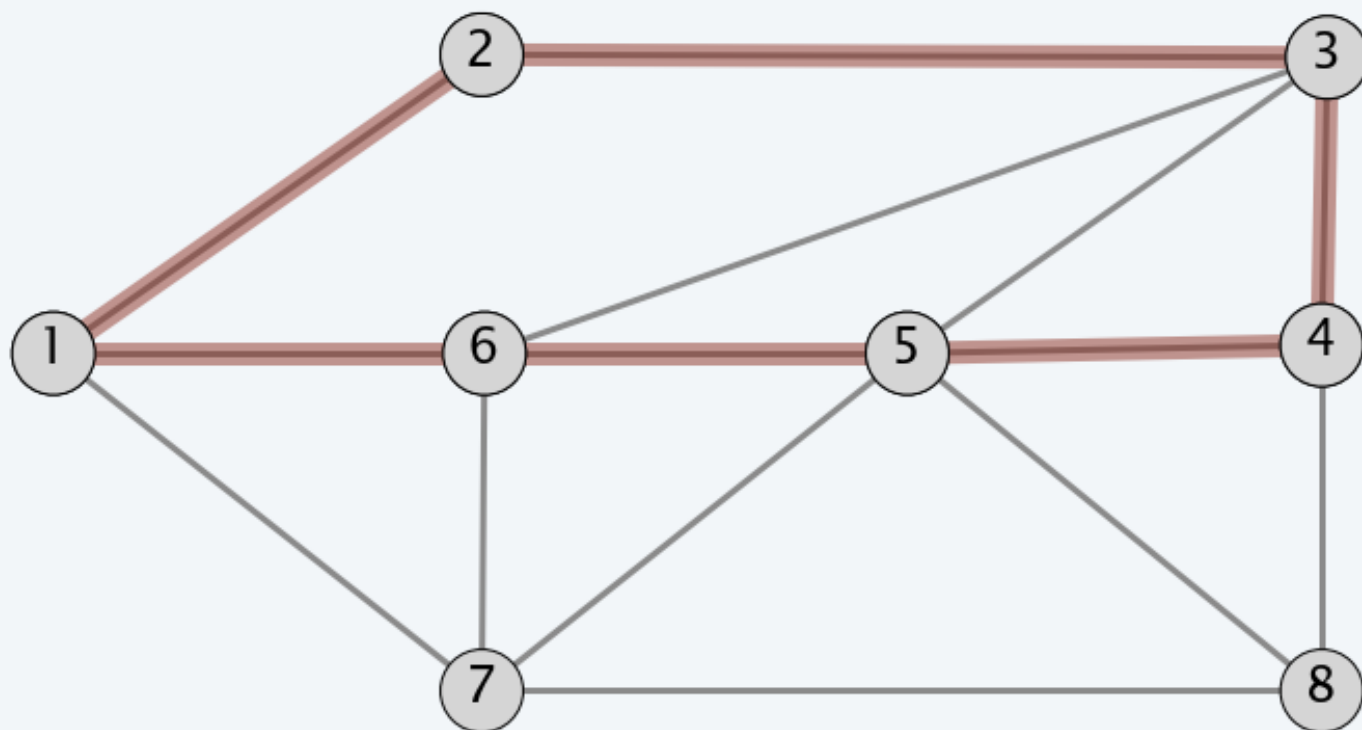
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Def.(4.5.2) A **path** is a sequence of edges which connects a sequence of nodes.

Def.(4.5.3) A **cycle** is a path with no repeated nodes or edges other than the starting and ending nodes.

4.5 Minimum Spanning Tree



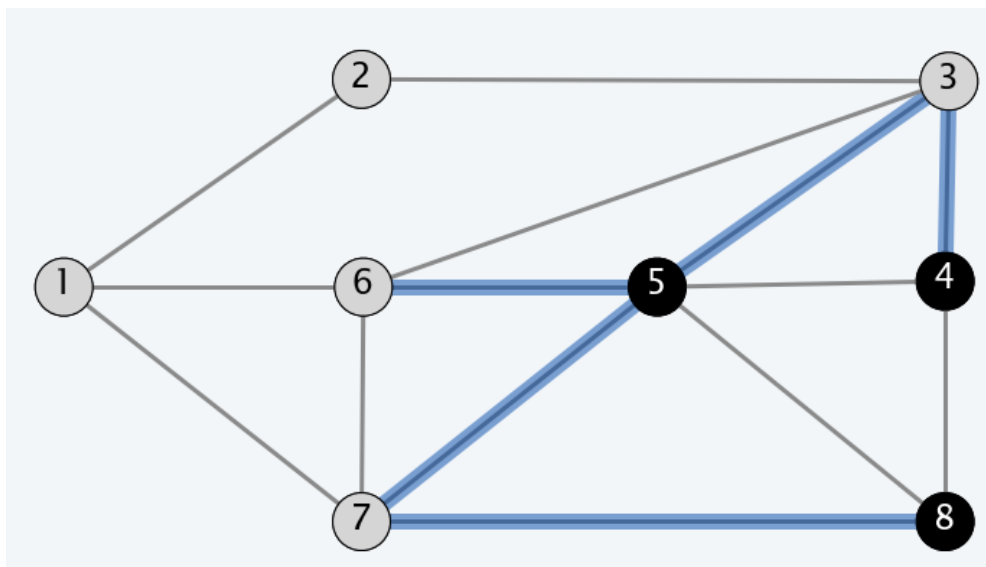
path $P = \{ (1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 5), (5, 6) \}$

cycle $C = \{ (1, 2), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 5), (5, 6), (6, 1) \}$

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Def. A **cut** is a partition of the nodes into two nonempty subsets S and $V - S$.

Def. The **cutset** of a cut S is the set of edges with exactly one endpoint in S .



Quiz(4.5.1)

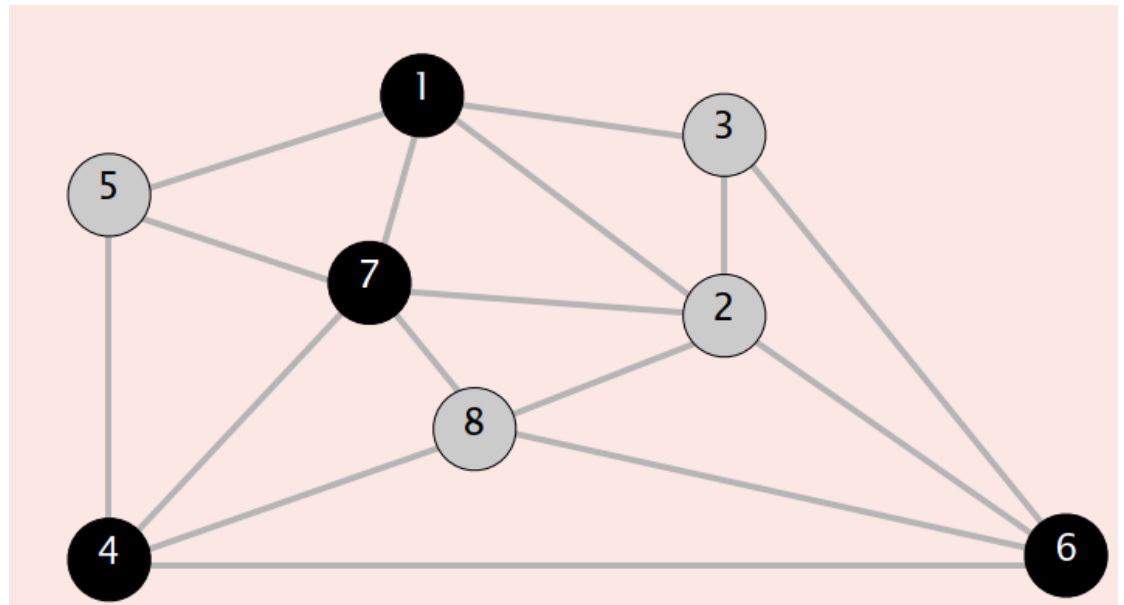
Consider the cut $S = \{ 1, 4, 6, 7 \}$.
Which edge is in the cutset of S ?

A. S is not a cut (not connected)

B. 1–7

C. 5–7

D. 2–3



Quiz(4.5.2)

Let C be a cycle and let D be a cutset. How many edges do C and D have in common? Choose the best answer.

A. 0

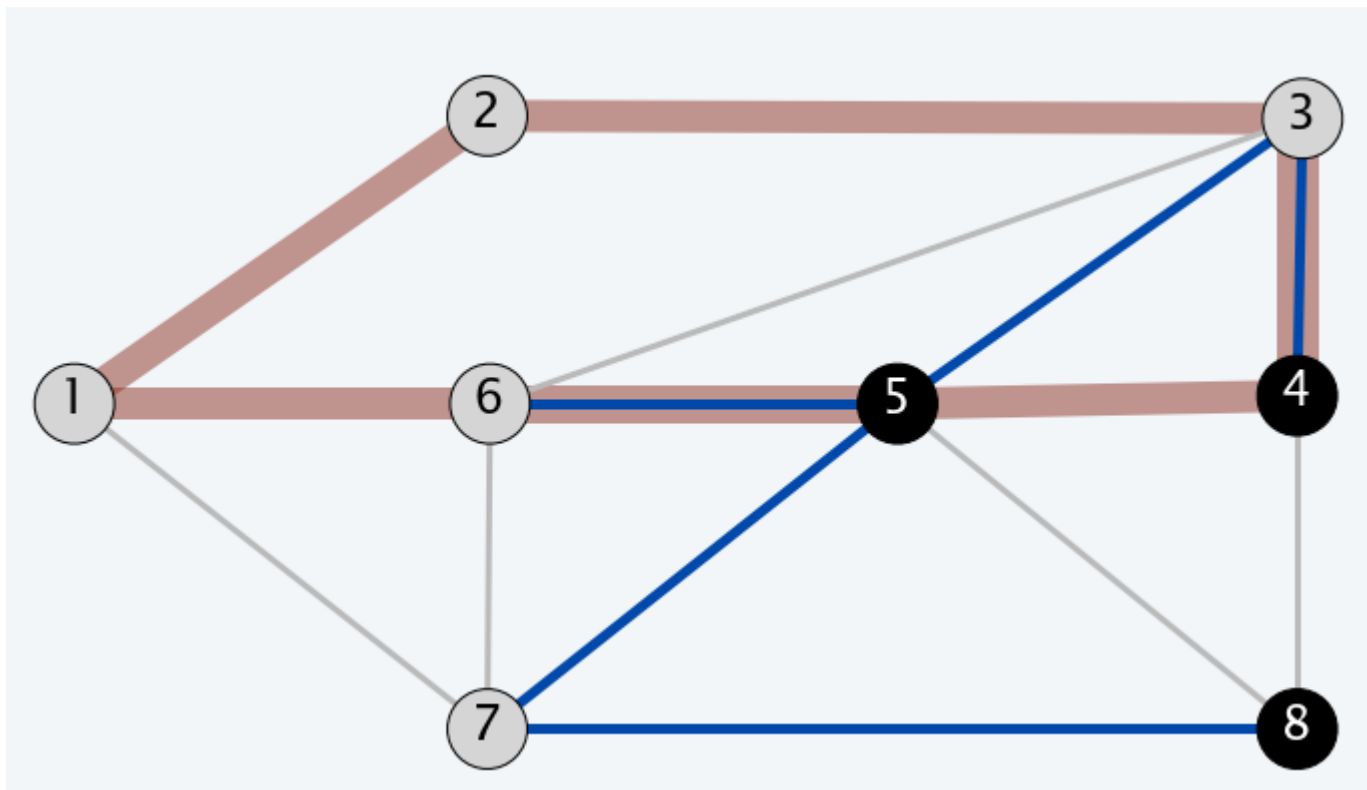
B. 2

C. not 1

D. an even number

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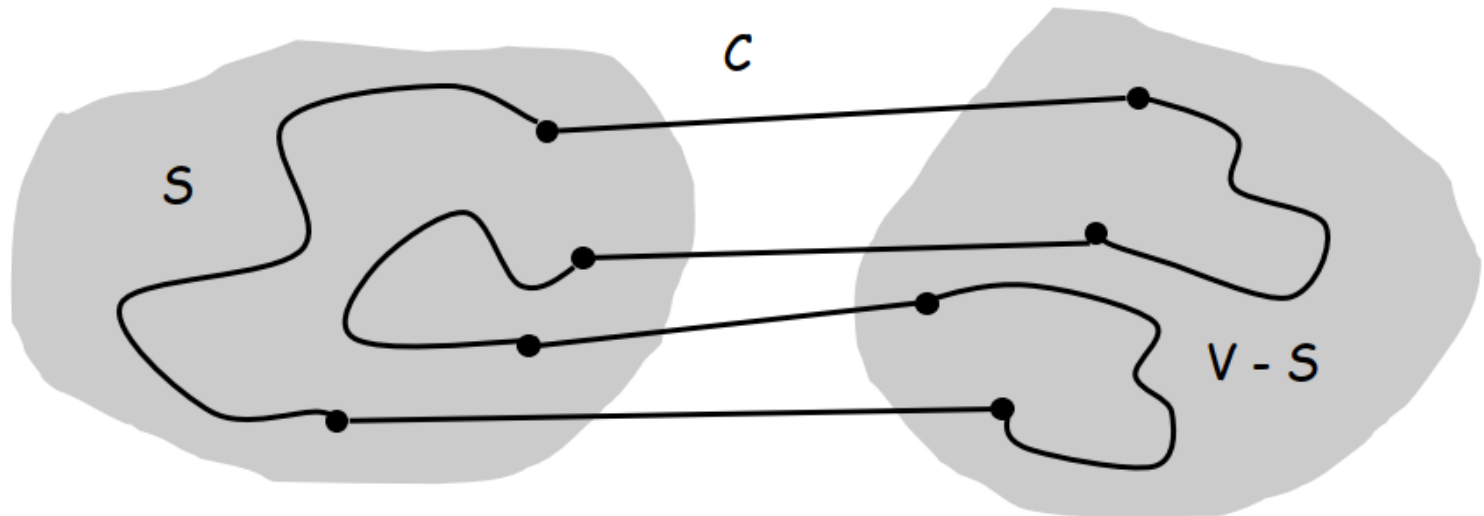
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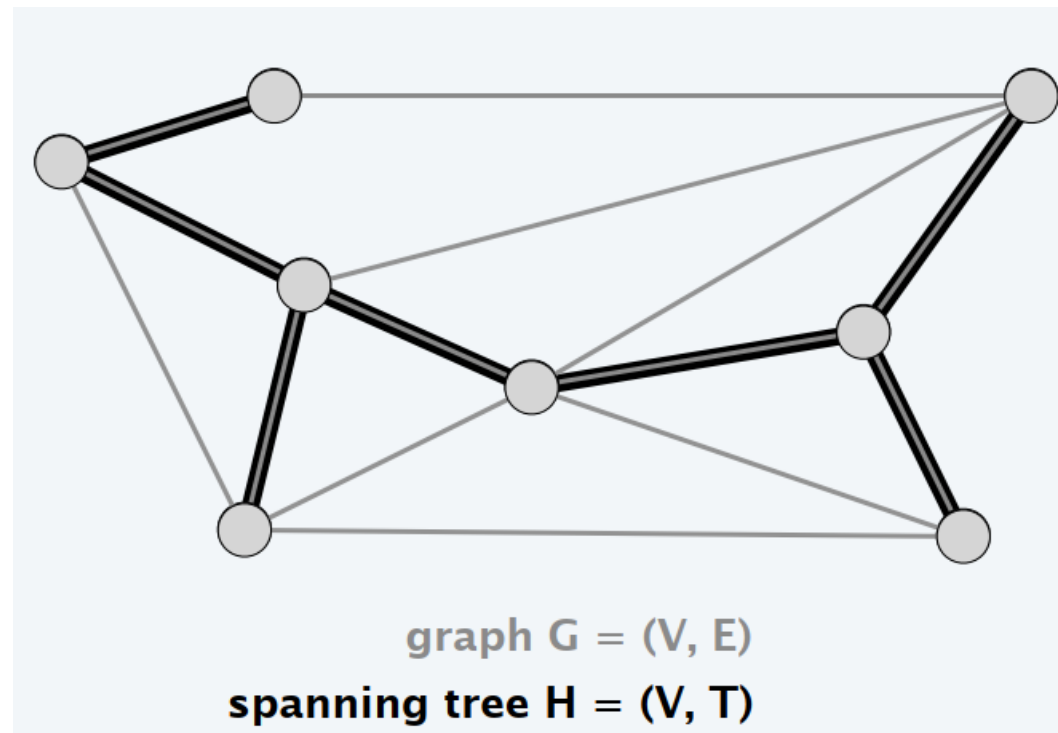
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Pf. [by picture]



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Def. Let $H = (V, T)$ be a subgraph of an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$. H is a **spanning tree** of G if H is both acyclic and connected.



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Proposition.

Let $H = (V, T)$ be a subgraph of an undirected graph $G = (V, E)$.

Then, the following are equivalent:

- H is a **spanning tree** of G .
- H is acyclic and connected.
- H is connected and has $|V| - 1$ edges.
- H is acyclic and has $|V| - 1$ edges.
- H is minimally connected: removal of any edge disconnects it.
- H is maximally acyclic: addition of any edge creates a cycle.

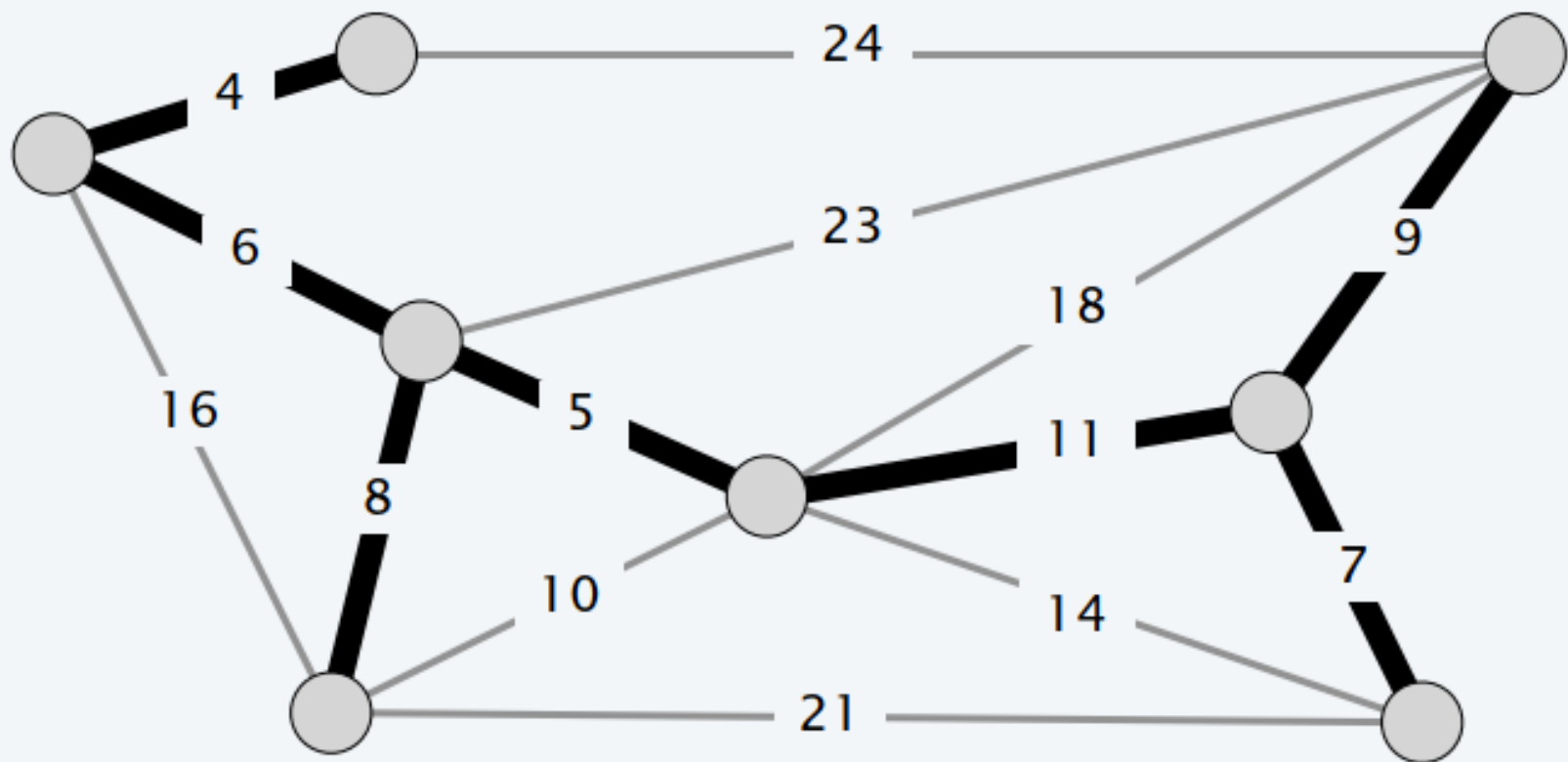
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Minimum Spanning Tree(MST).

Def. Given a connected, undirected graph $G = (V, E)$ with edge weights c_e , a **MST** is a spanning tree of G such that the sum of edge weights of tree is minimized.

- Note that the set of edges of a MST is a subset of the edges E .

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$$\text{MST cost} = 50 = 4 + 6 + 8 + 5 + 11 + 9 + 7$$

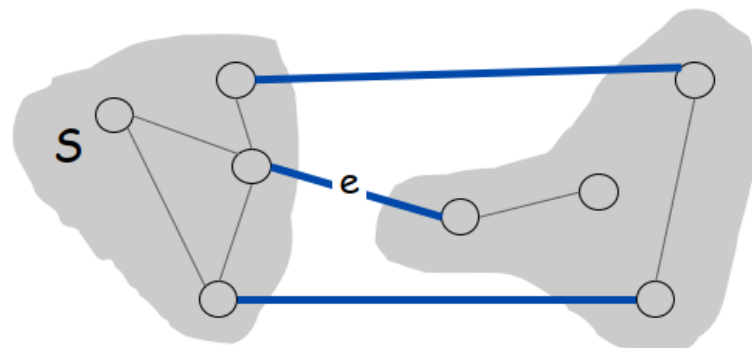
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Simplifying assumption.

- All edge costs c_e are distinct.

Cut property.

- Let S be any subset of nodes, and let e be the min cost edge with exactly one endpoint in S . Then the MST contains e .



e is in the MST

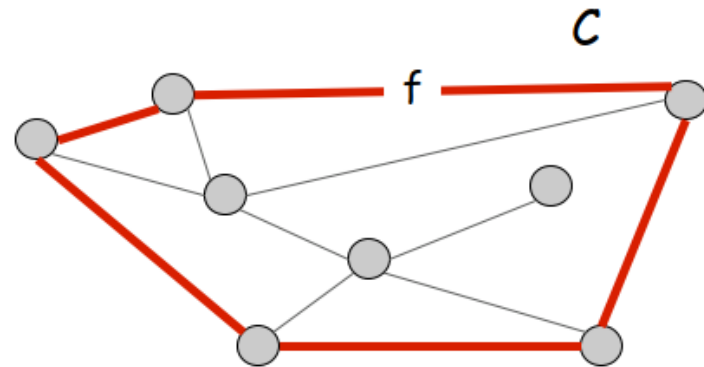
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- Let C be any cycle, and let f be the max cost edge belonging to C . Then the MST does not contain f .



f is not in the MST

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Cut property. Let S be any subset of nodes, and let e be the min cost edge with exactly one endpoint in S . Then the MST contains e .

Pf.

- Suppose e does not belong to T^* , and let's see what happens.
- Adding e to T^* creates a cycle C in T^* .
- Edge e is both in the cycle C and in the cutset D corresponding to $S \Rightarrow$ there exists another edge, say f , that is in both C and D .
- $T' = T^* \cup \{e\} - \{f\}$ is also a spanning tree.
- Since $c_e < c_f$, $\text{cost}(T') < \text{cost}(T^*)$.
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Prim's algorithm. [Jarník 1930, Dijkstra 1957, Prim 1959]

- Initialize $S = \{s\}$ for any node s , $T = \emptyset$.
- Repeat $n-1$ times:
 - Add to T a min-cost edge in the cutset corresponding to S .
 - Add the other endpoint to S .

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Theorem. Prim's algorithm can be implemented to run in $O(m \log n)$ time.

Pf. Implementation almost identical to Dijkstra's algorithm.

PRIM (V, E, c)

$S \leftarrow \emptyset, T \leftarrow \emptyset.$

$s \leftarrow$ any node in V .

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IF ($c_e < \pi[v]$)

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$\pi[v]$ = cost of cheapest
known edge between v and S

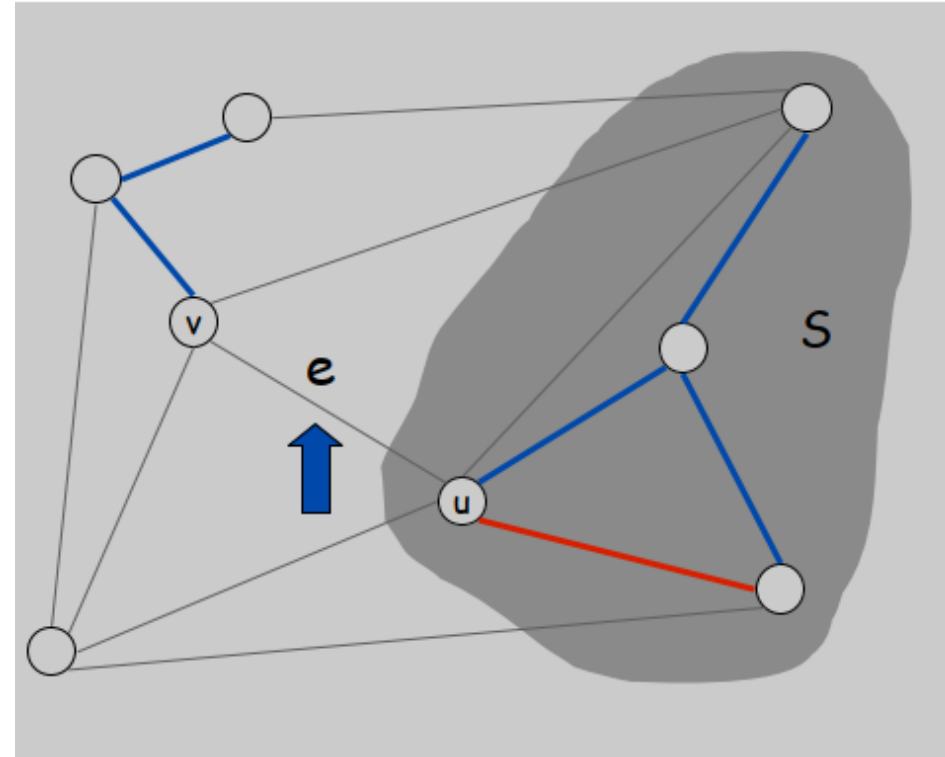
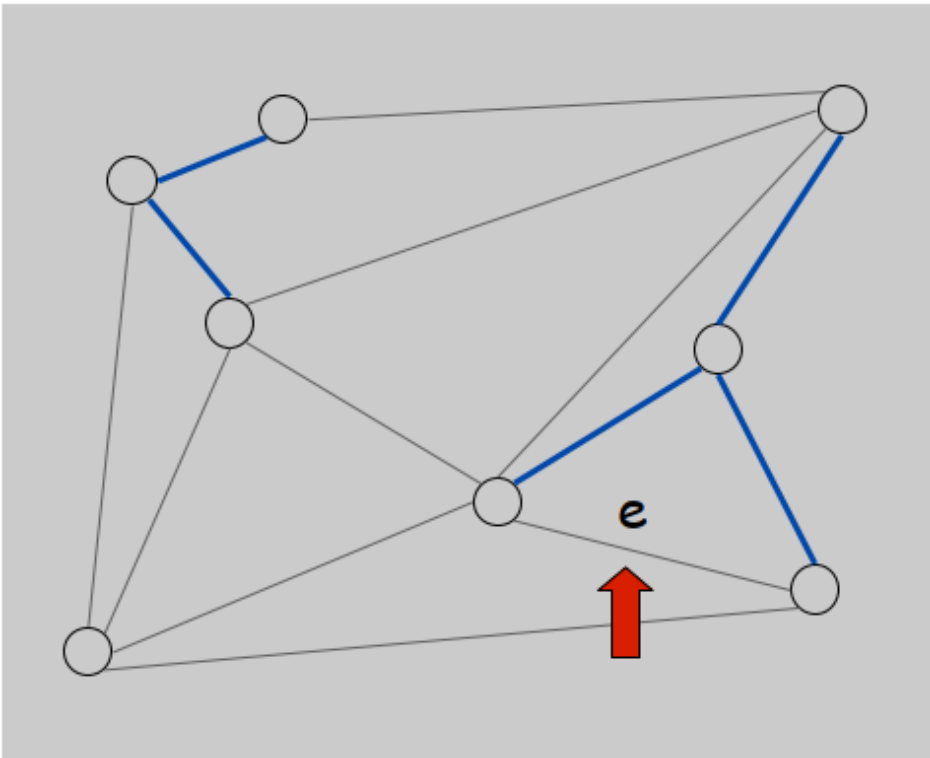
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Kruskal's algorithm. [Kruskal, 1956]

- Sort edges in ascending order of cost
- Repeat m times:
 - Select the min-cost edge e so far
 - If adding e to T creates a cycle, discard e according to cycle property.
 - Otherwise, insert $e = (u, v)$ into T according to cut property where S = set of nodes in u 's connected component.

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E.g.



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Theorem. Kruskal's algorithm can be implemented to run in $O(m \log m)$ time.

- Sort edges by cost.
- Use union–find data structure to dynamically maintain connected components.

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Kruskal(G, c) {  
  Sort edges weights so that  $c_1 \leq c_2 \leq \dots \leq c_m$ .  
   $T \leftarrow \phi$   
  
  foreach ( $u \in V$ ) make a set containing singleton u  
  
  for i = 1 to m      are u and v in different connected components?  
    ( $u, v$ ) =  $e_i$       ↙  
    if (u and v are in different sets) {  
       $T \leftarrow T \cup \{e_i\}$   
      merge the sets containing u and v  
    }  
    ↖ merge two components  
  return T  
}
```

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Reverse-delete algorithm

- Start with all edges in T and consider them in descending order of cost
- Delete edge from T unless it would disconnect T

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