

# Application of Union Find in Undirected Graph Algorithm Problems

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- Cycle Detection
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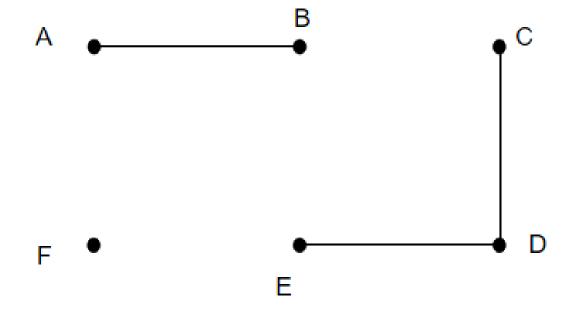


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https://github.com/Neo-Hao/union-find

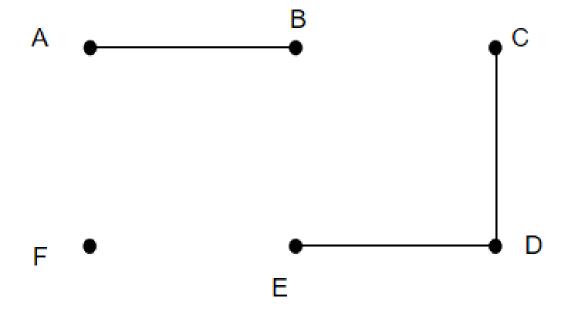


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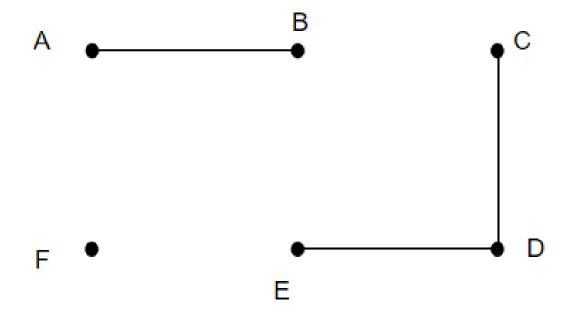
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- makeSet
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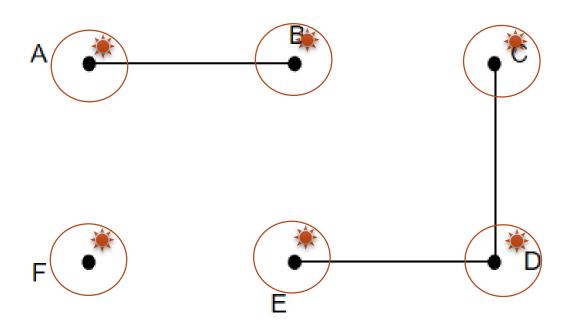


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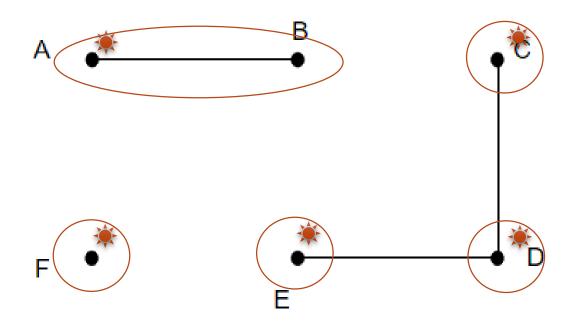
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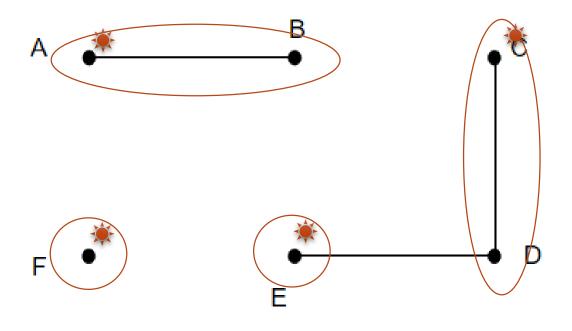
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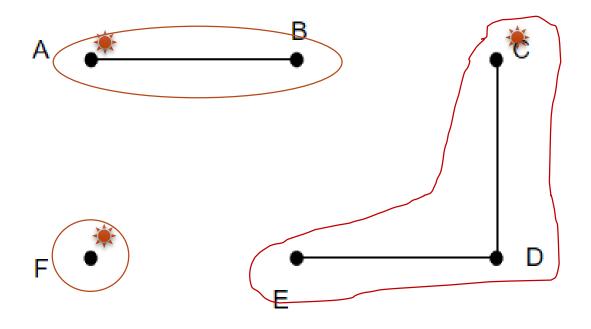
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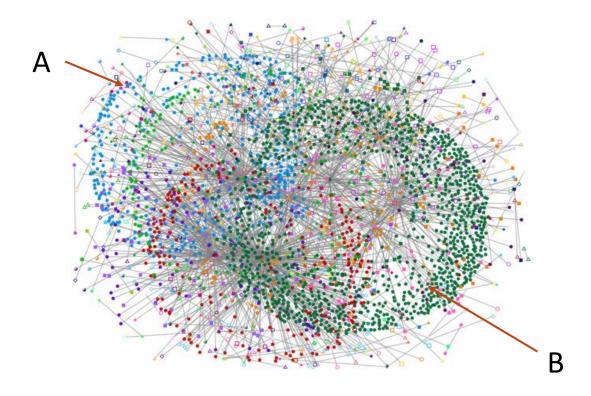
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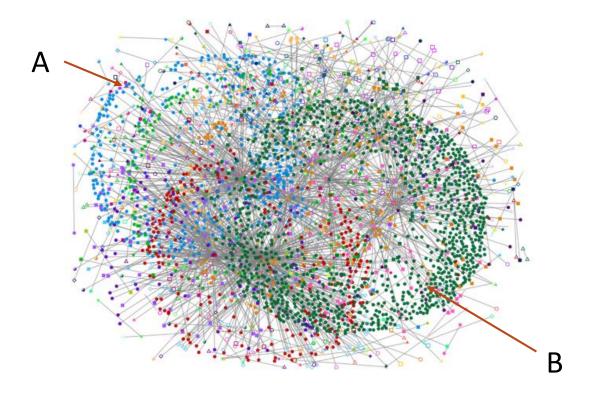


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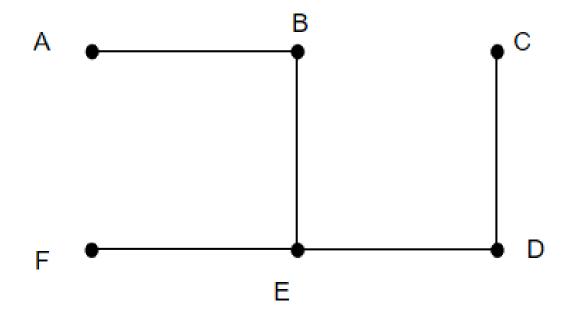
- Network security
- Social network analysis
- Image Processing



## Approaches

- Naïve Union Find
- Optimized Union Find





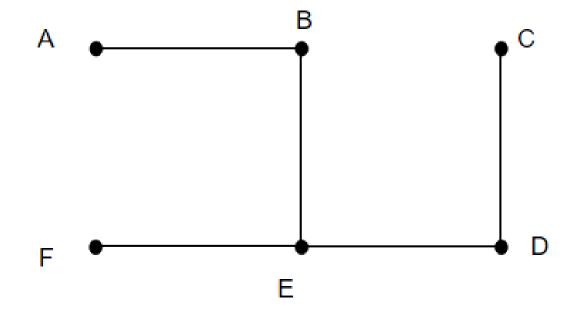
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#### Node:

val parent



#### makeSet

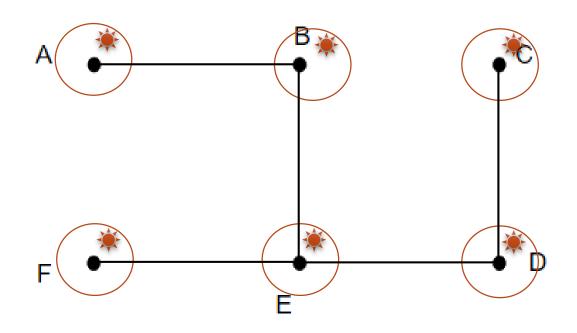


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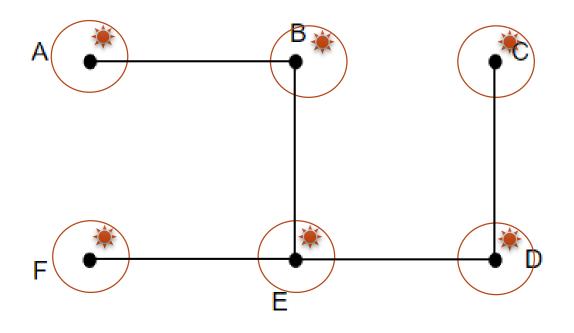
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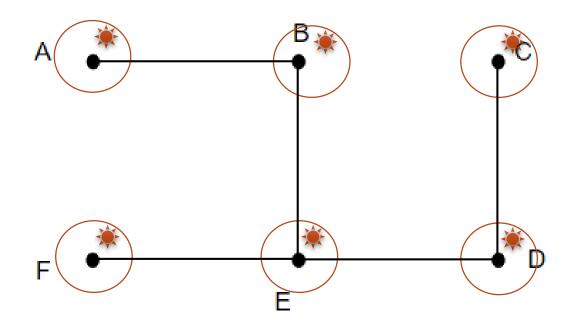




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#### union

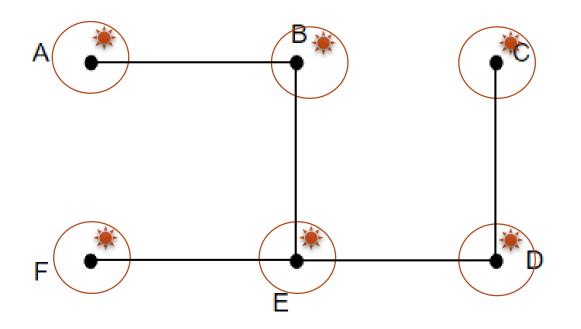


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                    C.parent?
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union(D, E)
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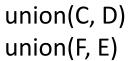
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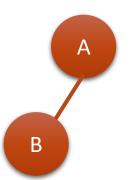


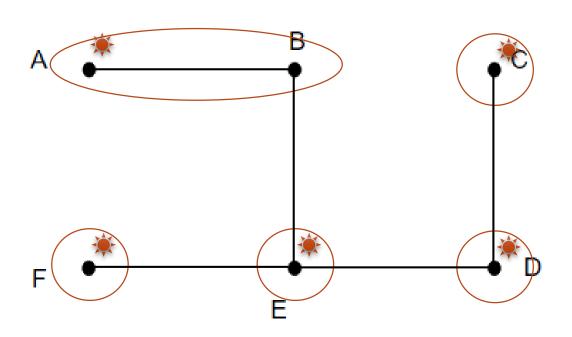




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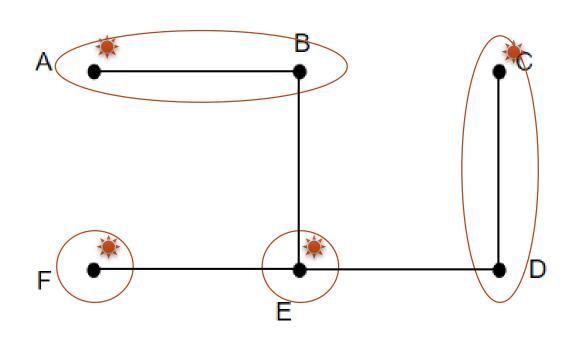


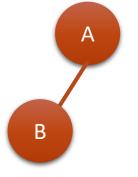


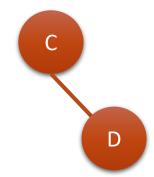
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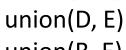




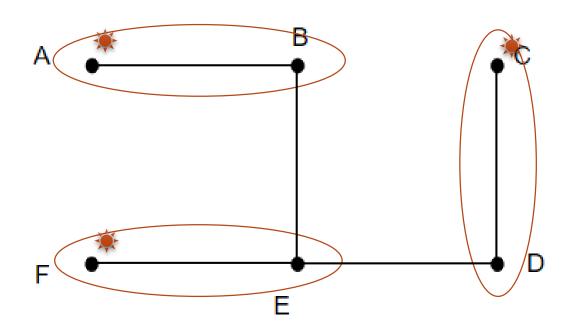


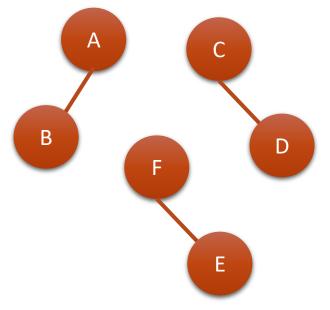


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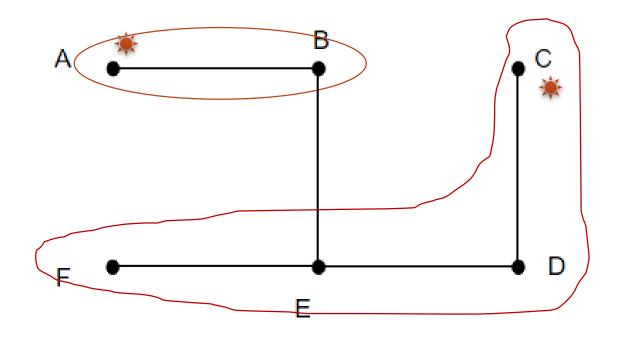


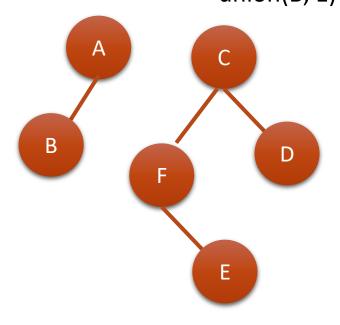




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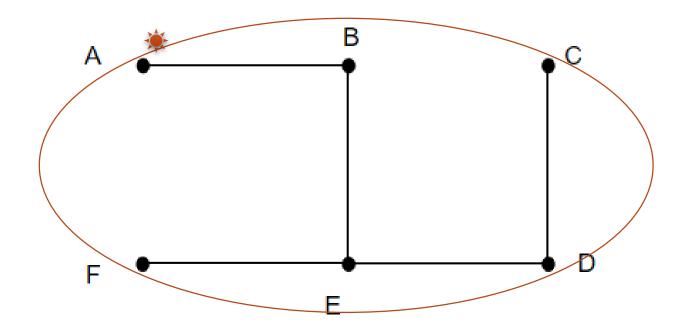


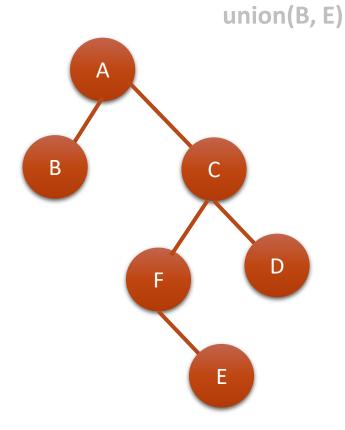




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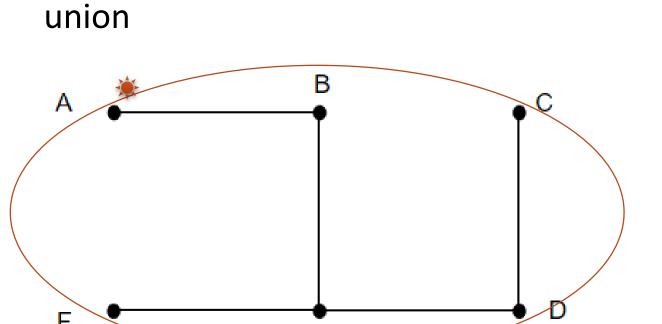


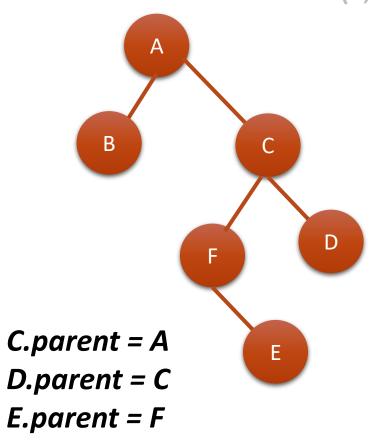




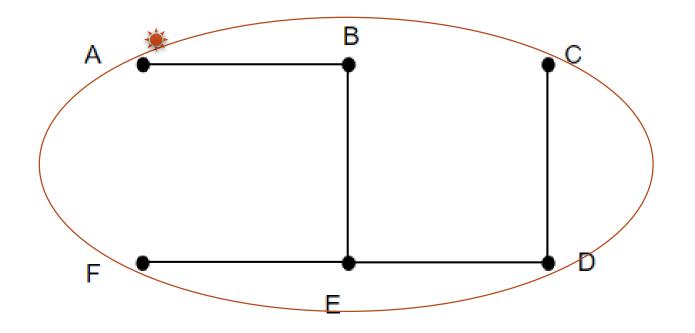
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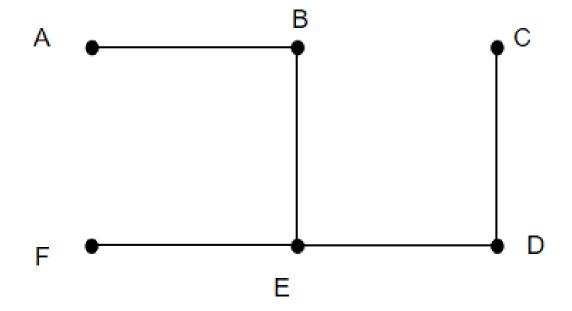




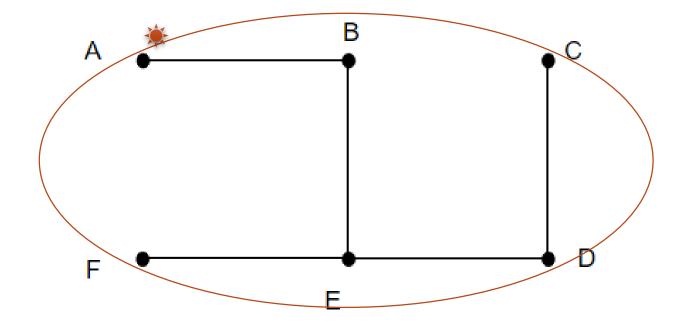
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Time Complexity ???
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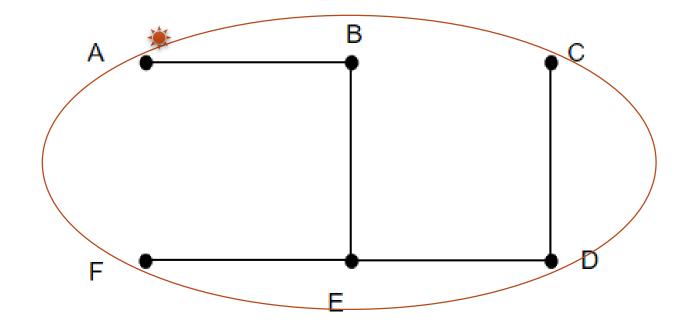




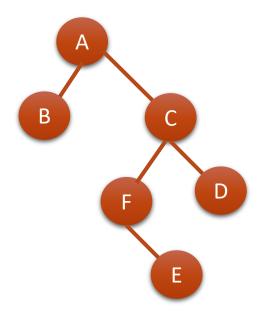


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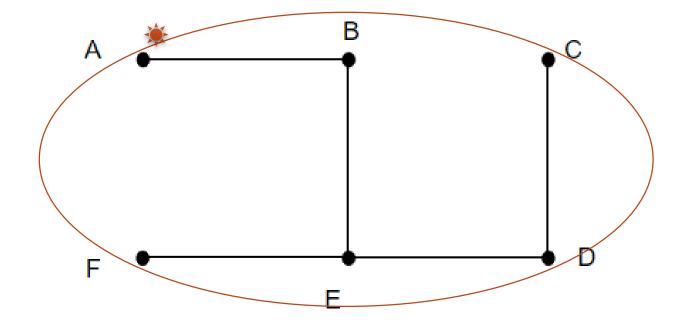




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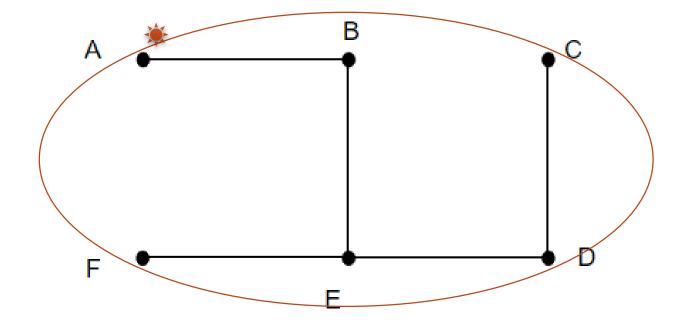




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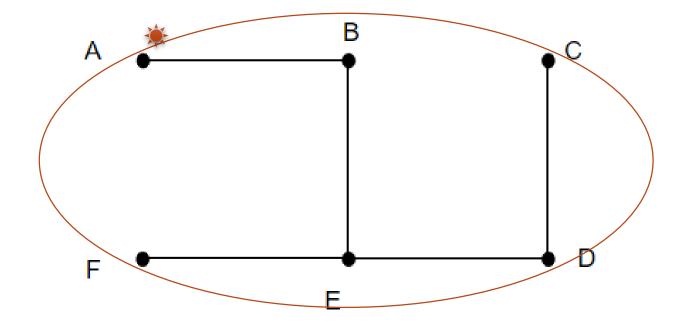


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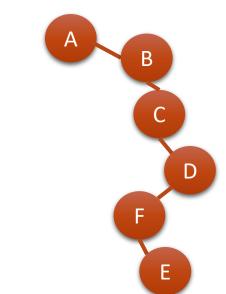


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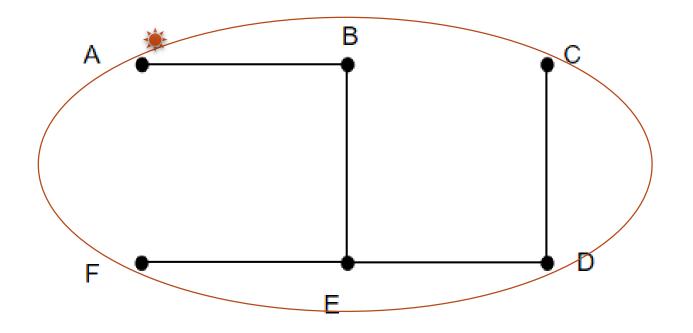
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```
def countComponents(self, n, edges):
    """
    :type n: int
    :type edges: List[List[int]]
    :rtype: int
    """
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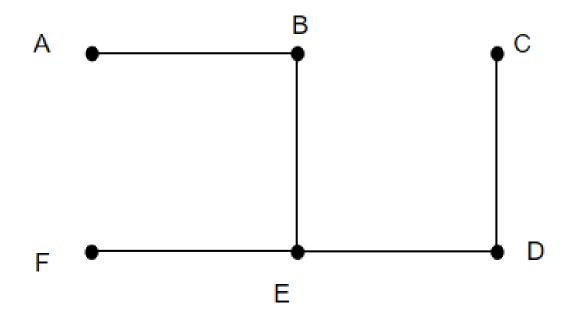
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Class Union(object):
    def __inint__(self):
        # ... ...
        self.count = 0

    def makeSet(v):
        # ... ...
        self.count += 1

    def union():
        # ... ...
        self.count -= 1
```



Example of count



makeSet(A) makeSet(B)

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makeSet(F)
union(A, B)

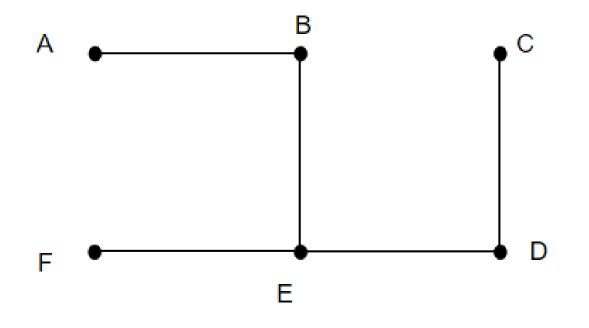
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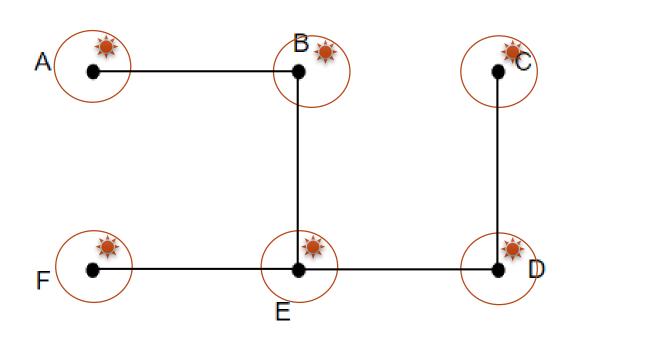
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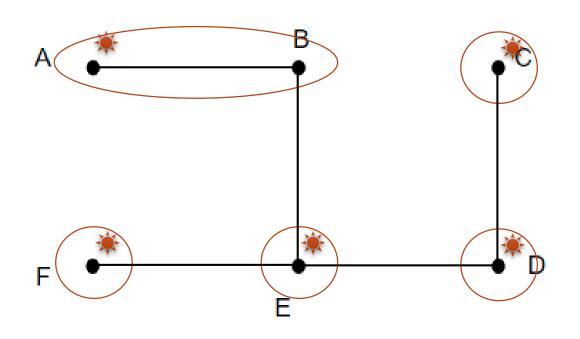
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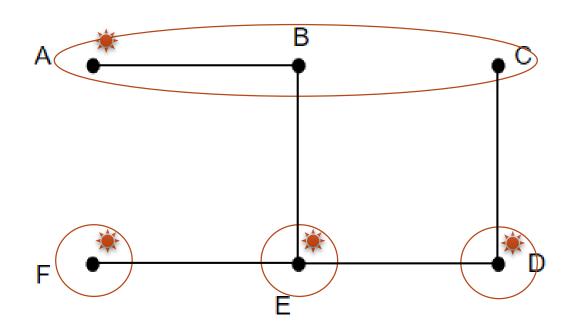




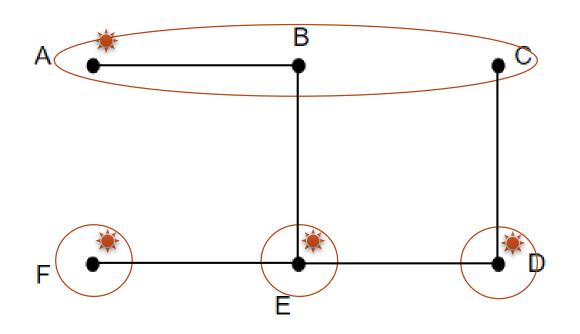
















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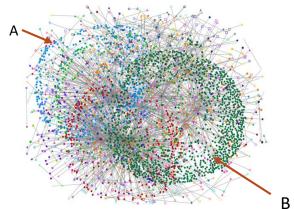


## Union Find

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Graph: 5000 vertices

Union find: 5 operations

Max steps: 25000



#### Goals:

- makeSet O(1)
- union O(n)
- findSet O(n)  $\longrightarrow O(X)$

where x is a constant

O(X)



#### Optimizations:

- Union by rank
- Path compression



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#### Time Complexity:

- findSet(v) O(lg n)
- union(v) O(lg n)



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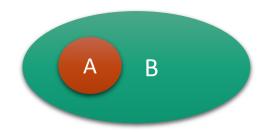
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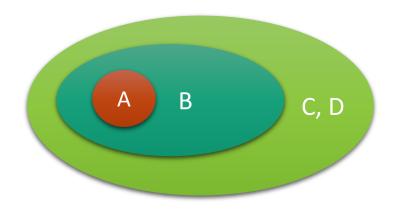
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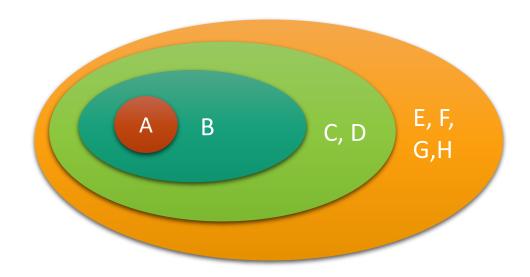
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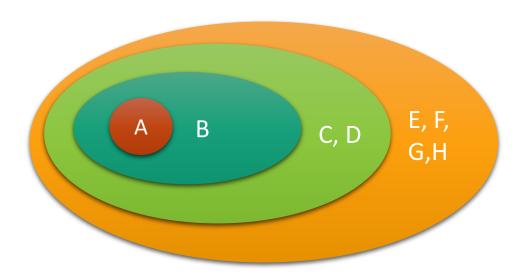
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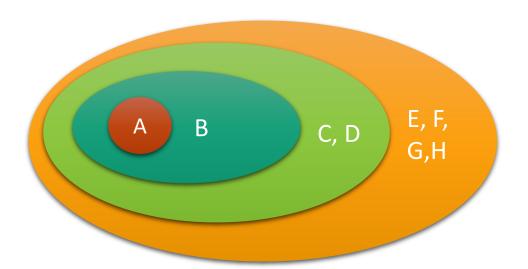
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findSet(v) - O(lg n) union(v) - O(lg n)



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Node:

val parent rank

makeSet(v):
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 n.rank = 0



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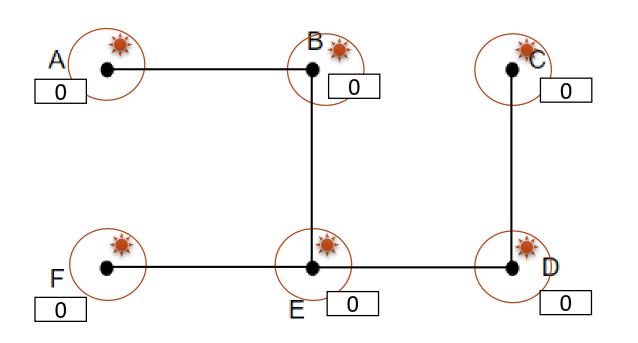
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    if i == j: return

if i.rank > j.rank:
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    elif i.rank < j.rank:
        i.parent = j
    else:
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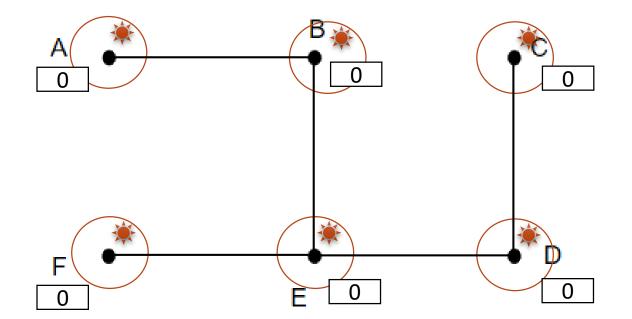
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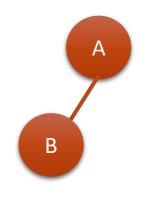
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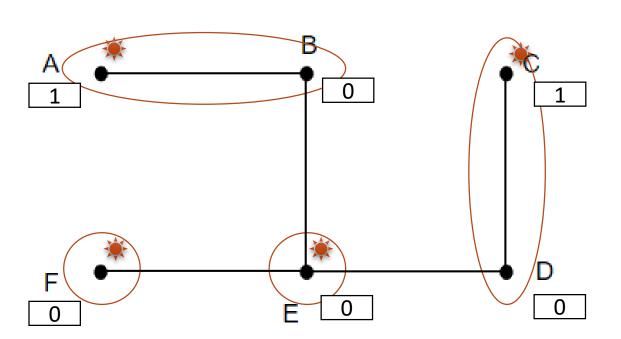
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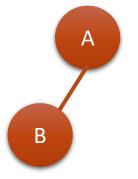


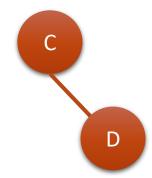
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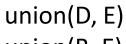






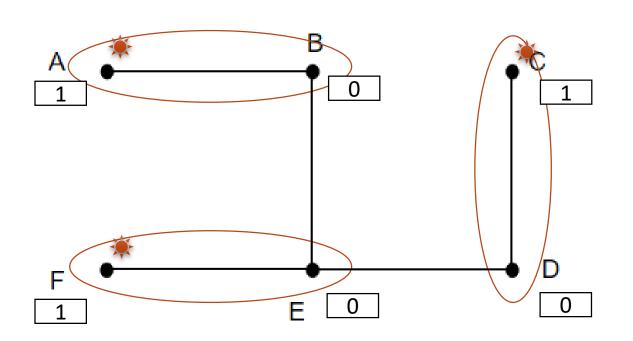


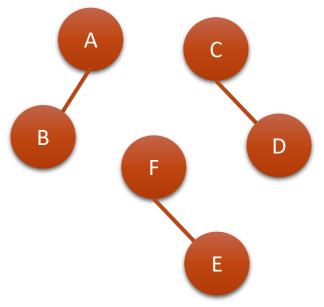
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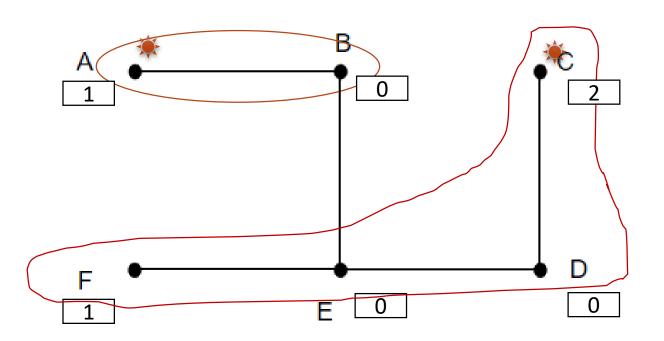


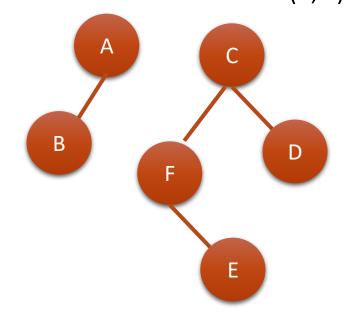


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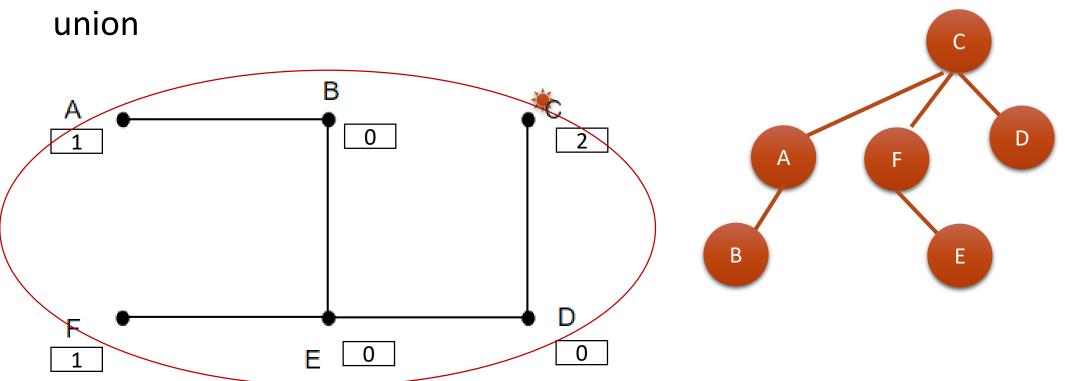








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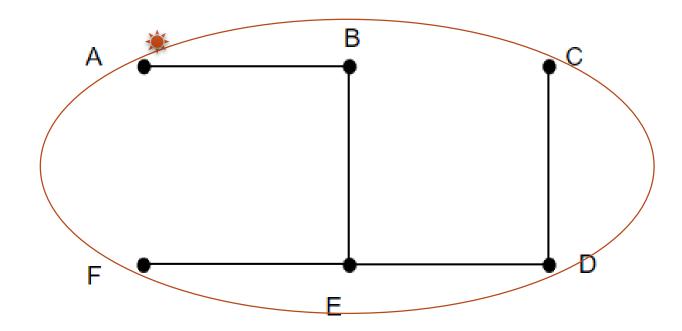
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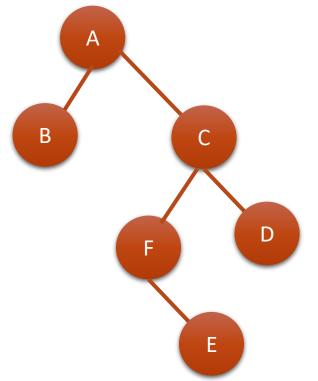
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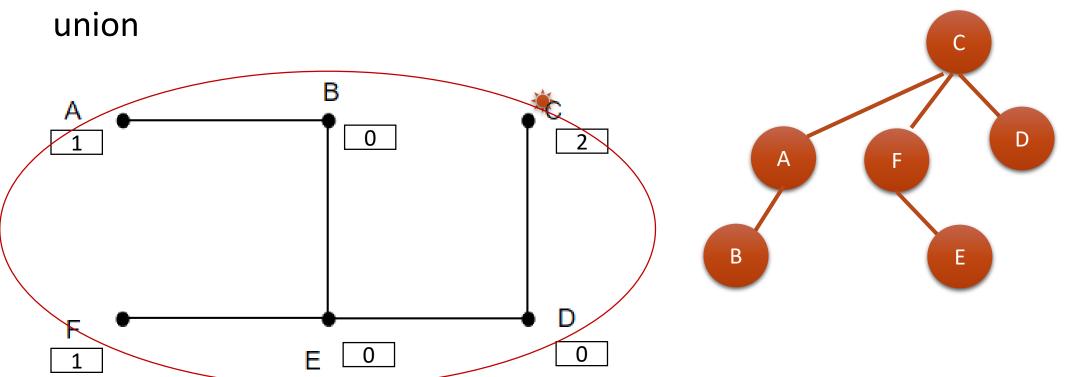








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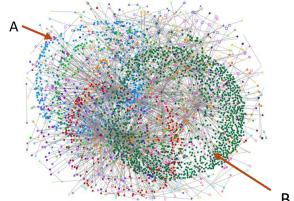
#### Union Find

#### Approaches

- Naïve Union Find
- Optimized Union Find

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O(m\* a(n)), where m stands for the number of operations



Graph: 5000 vertices

Union find: 5 operations



#### Structure

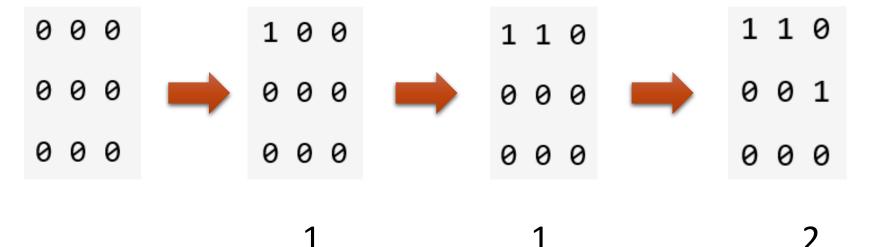
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A 2d grid map of m rows and n columns is initially filled with water. We may perform an *addLand* operation which turns the water at position (row, col) into a land. Given a list of positions to operate, count the number of islands after each *addLand* operation. An island is surrounded by water and is formed by connecting adjacent lands horizontally or vertically. You may assume all four edges of the grid are all surrounded by water.



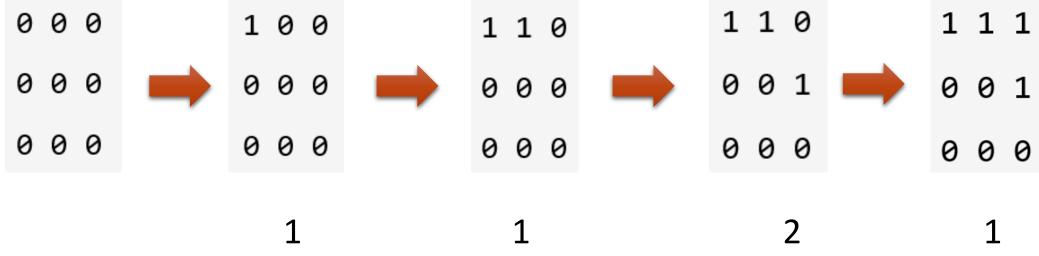
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Return [1, 1, 2]



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	1	
0	1	1
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(x, y)

Neighbors: (x-1, y), (x+1, y), (x, y+1), (x, y-1)



```
def numIslands2(self, m, n, positions):
       islands = Union()
       result = []
       for i, j in positions:
              islands.makeSet((i,j))
              neighbors = [(i+1,j), (i-1,j), (i,j+1), (i,j-1)]
              for x, y in neighbors:
                   if (x,y) in islands.table:
                        islands.union((x,y),(i,j))
              result.append(islands.count)
        return result
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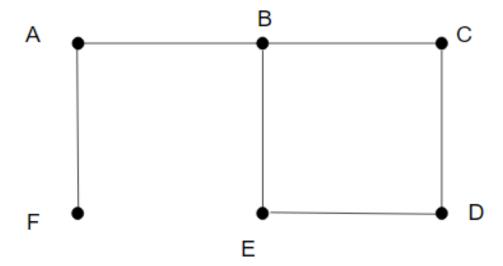




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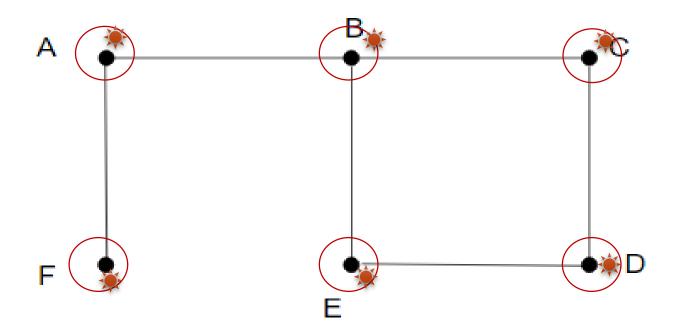
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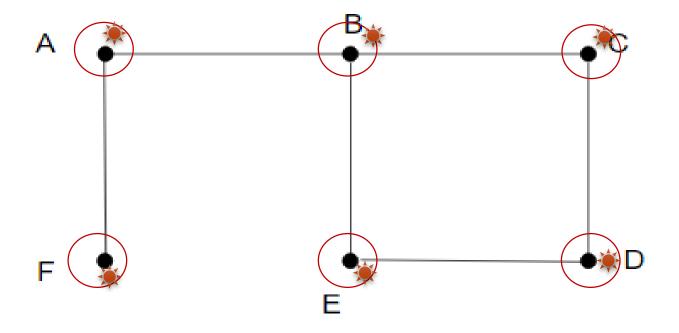


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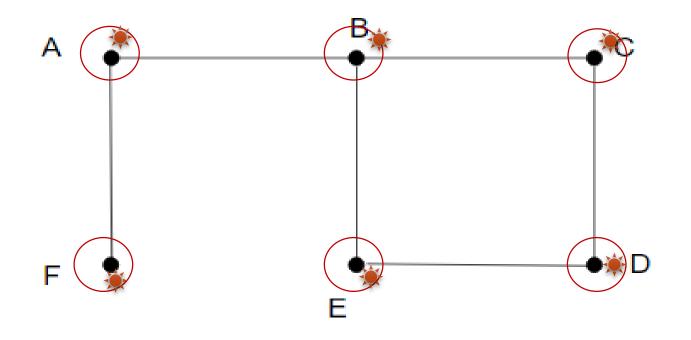








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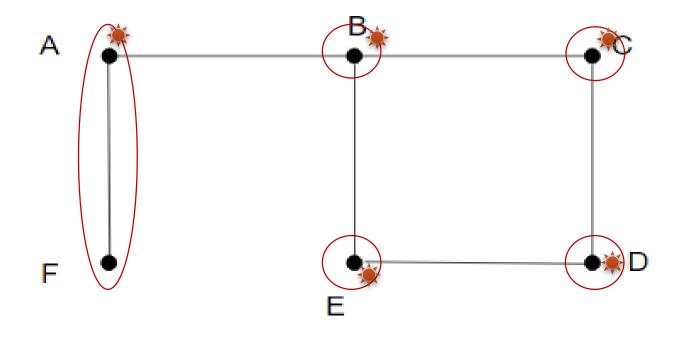
) findCat/F

findSet(A) findSet(F)

**AF** 



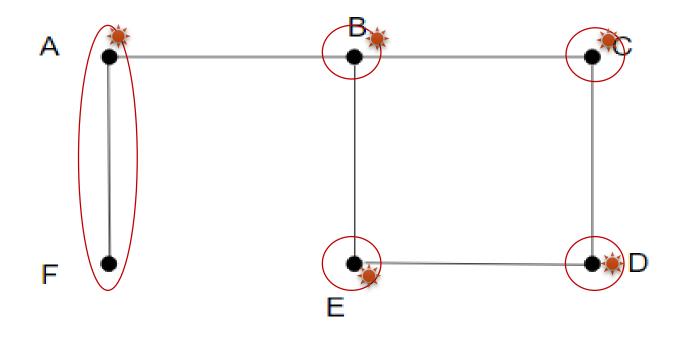
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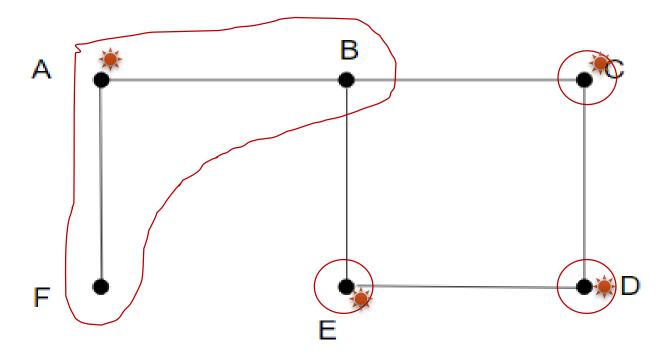


**AB** 

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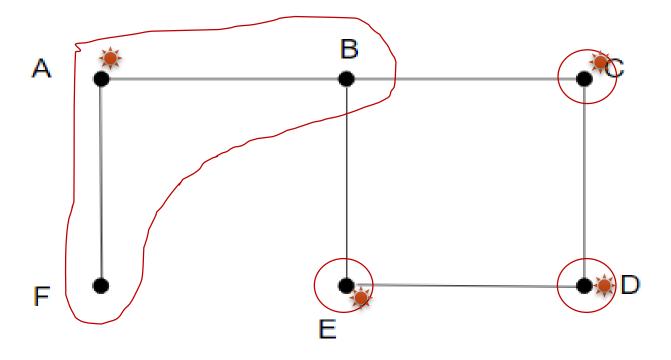


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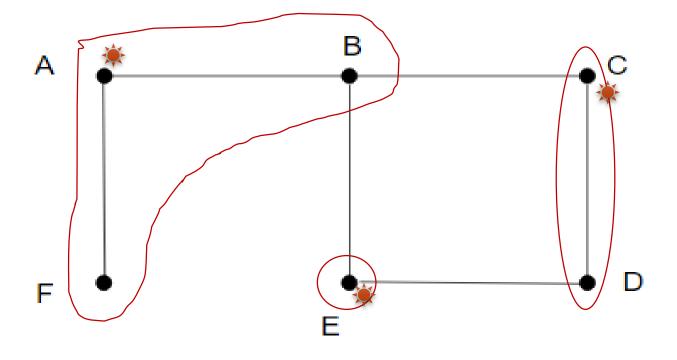


**CD** 

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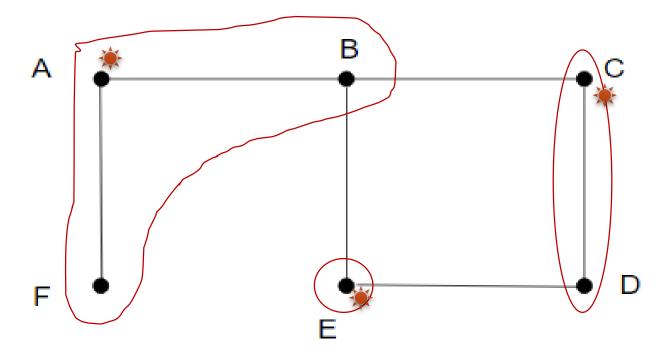


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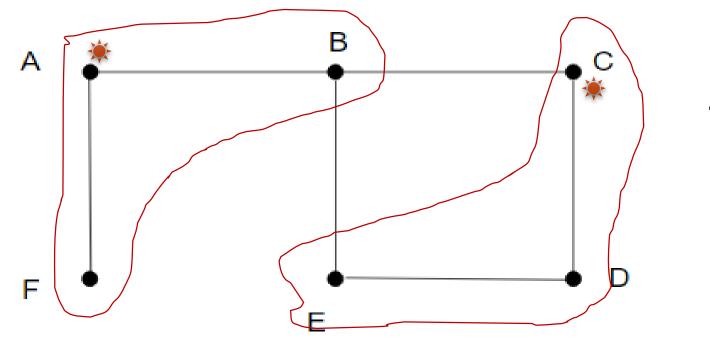


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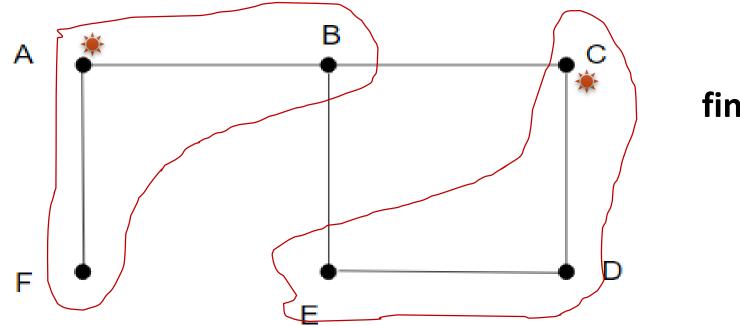


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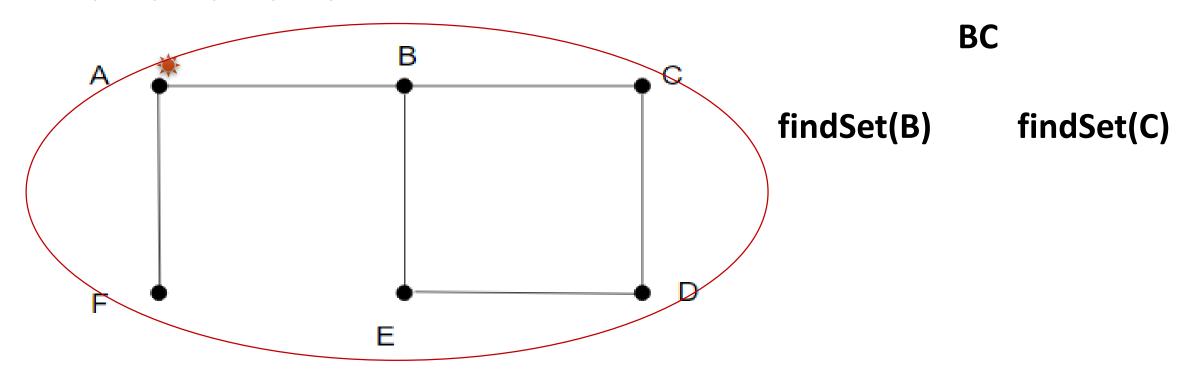
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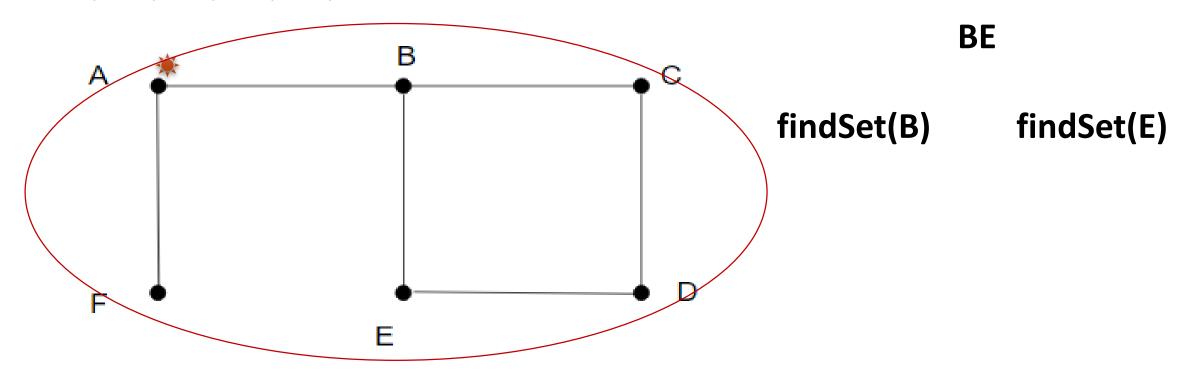
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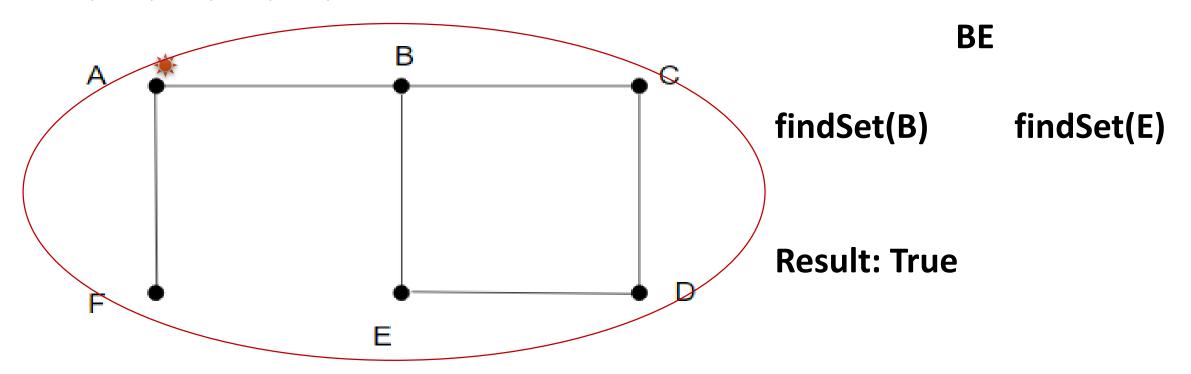














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def validTree(self, n, edges):
    """
    :type n: int
    :type edges: List[List[int]]
    :rtype: bool
    """
```



#### Valid Tree:

- 1. If there are n nodes, there must be n-1 edges.
- 2. There is no loop.



```
def validTree(self, n, edges):
    if len(edges) != n-1: return False
    union = Union()
    for u, v in edges:
        union.makeSet(u)
        union.makeSet(v)
    for u, v in edges:
        if union.findSet(u) == union.findSet(v):
            return False
        else:
            union.union(u, v)
    return True
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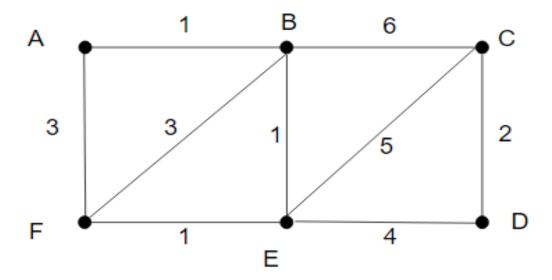
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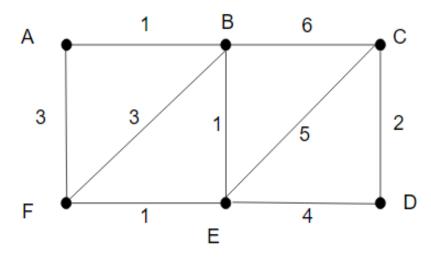
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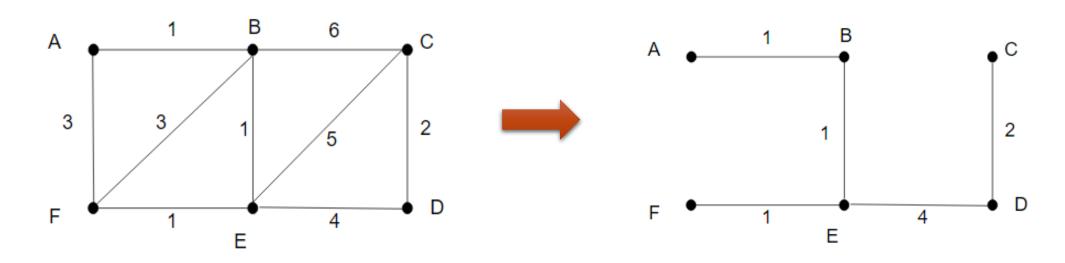
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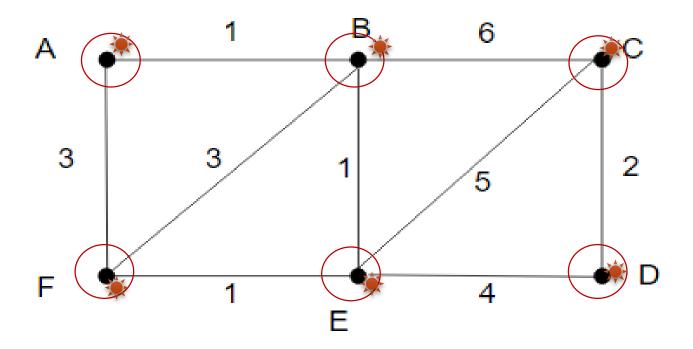
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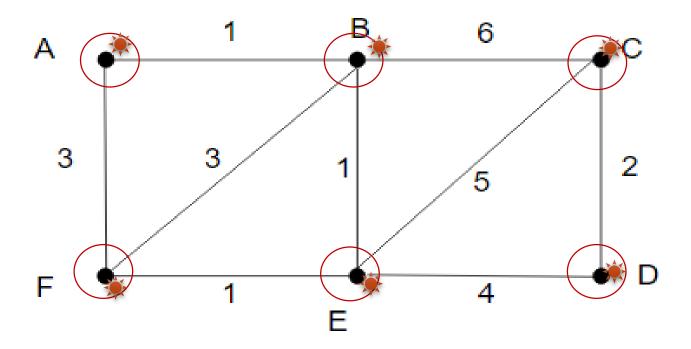
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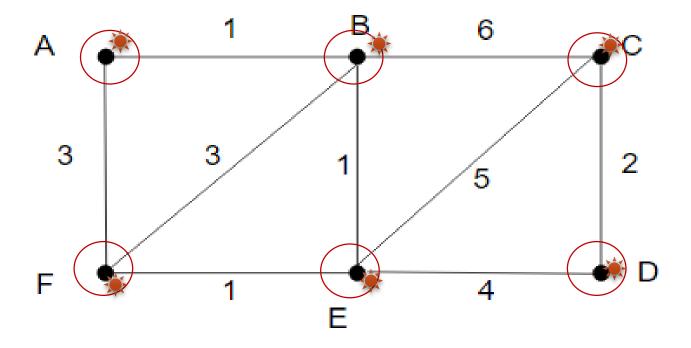


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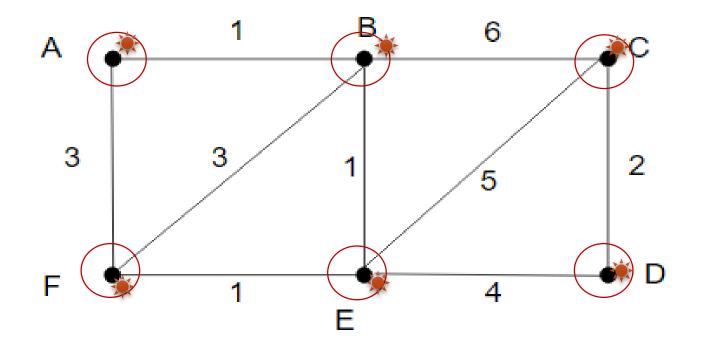


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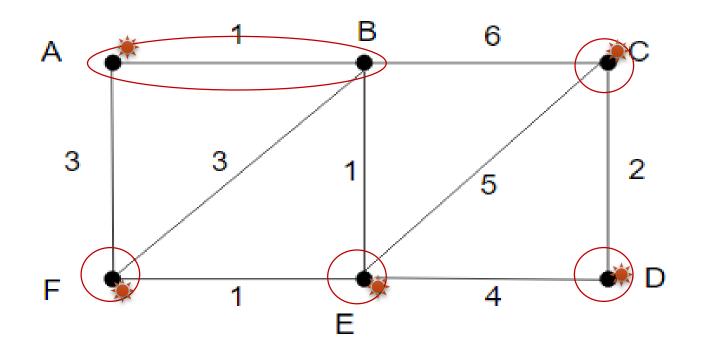


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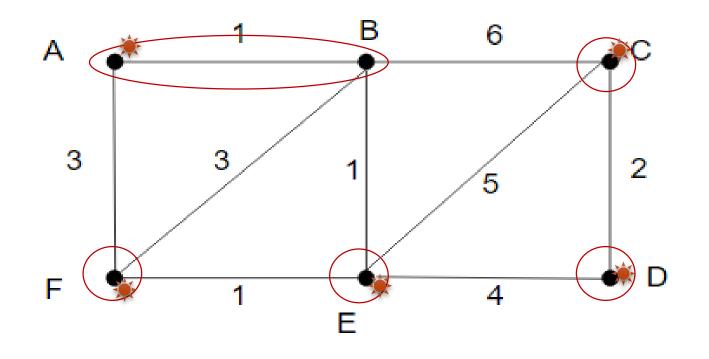
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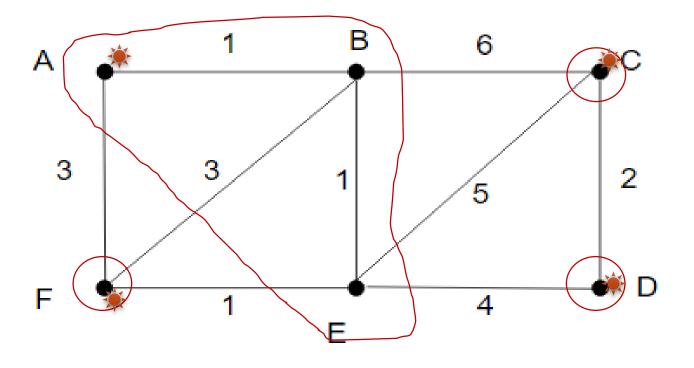
BE

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**Result: AB** 



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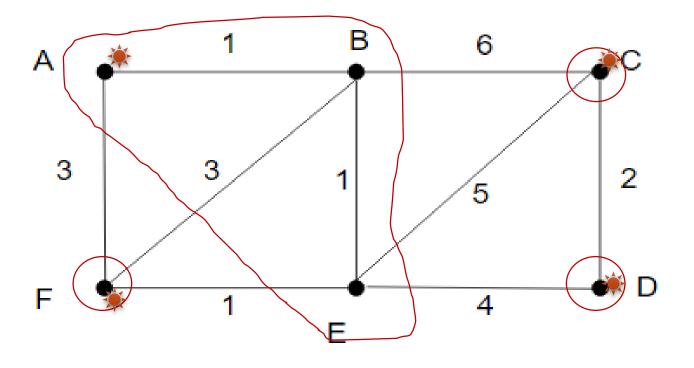
BE

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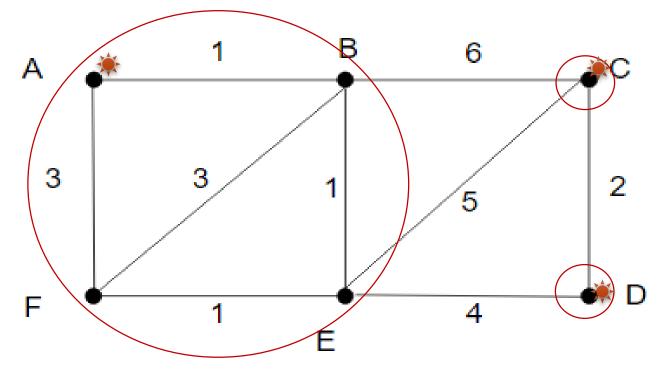
**EF** 

findSet(E) findSet(F)

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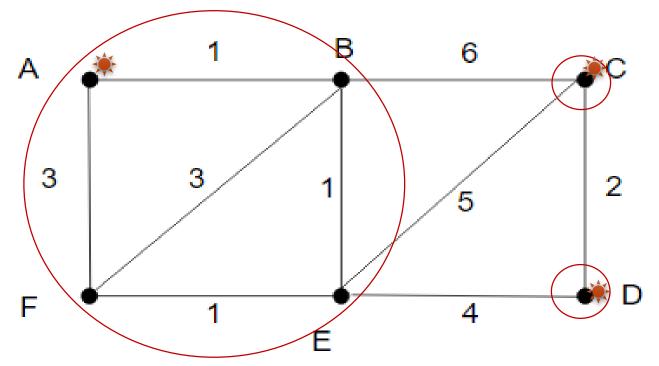
**EF** 

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Result: AB, BE, EF



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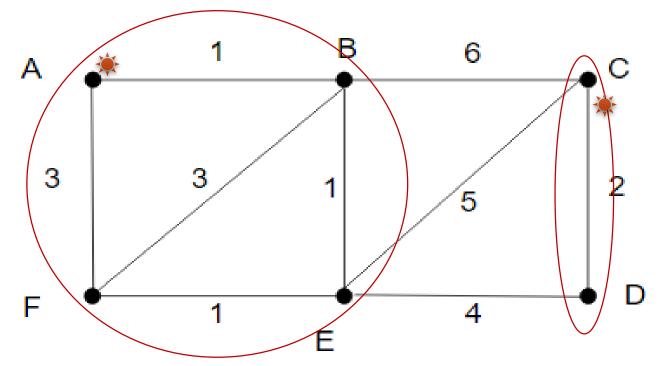
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Result: AB, BE, EF



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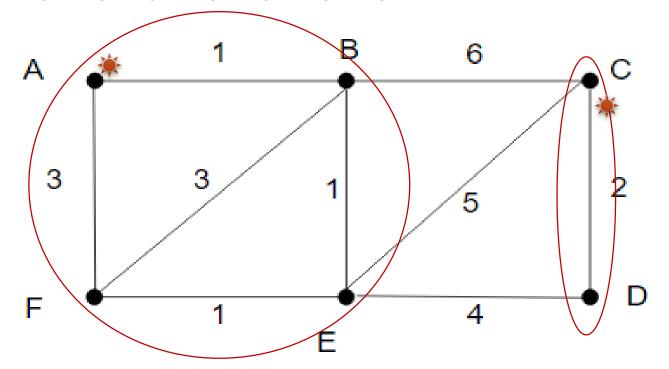
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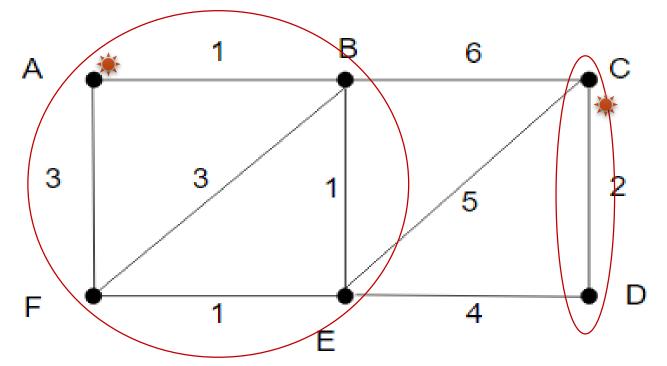
BF

findSet(B) findSet(F)

Result: AB, BE, EF, CD



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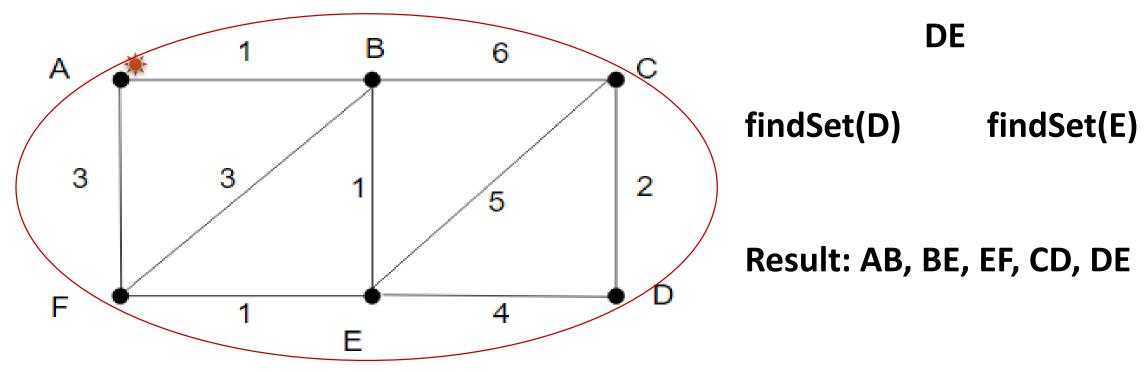
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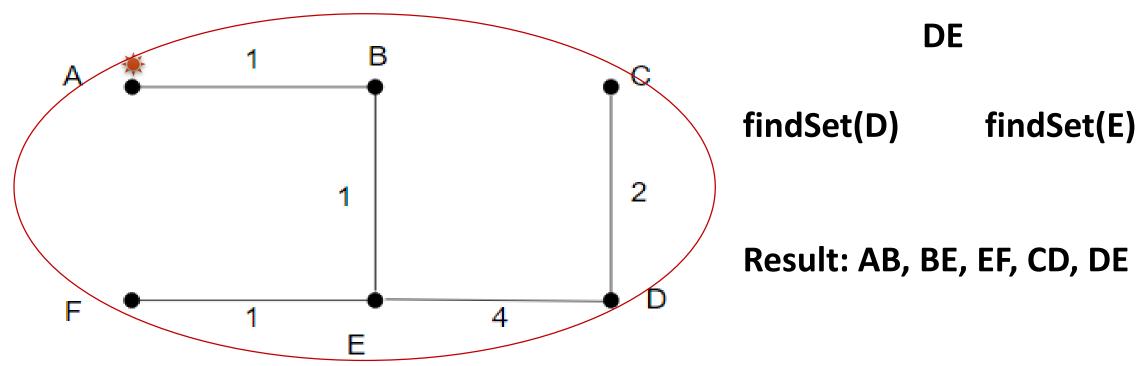


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## Kruskal's algorithm – Time Complexity

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        MAKE-SET(v)
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       if FIND-SET(u) ≠ FIND-SET(v):
                                                                          O(E)
            Result = Result \cup {(u, v)}
            UNION(u, v)
                                                                           TOTAL:
    return Result
                                                                           O(V) + O(E \log E) + O(E)
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Thanks!