

CS2040C

Data Structures and Algorithms

All about minimum spanning trees...

Roadmap

Today: Minimum Spanning Trees

- Prim's Algorithm
- Kruskal's Algorithm
- Boruvka's Algorithm

Variations:

- Constant weight edges
- Bounded integer edge weights
- Euclidean
- Directed graphs
- Maximum Spanning Tree
- Steiner Tree

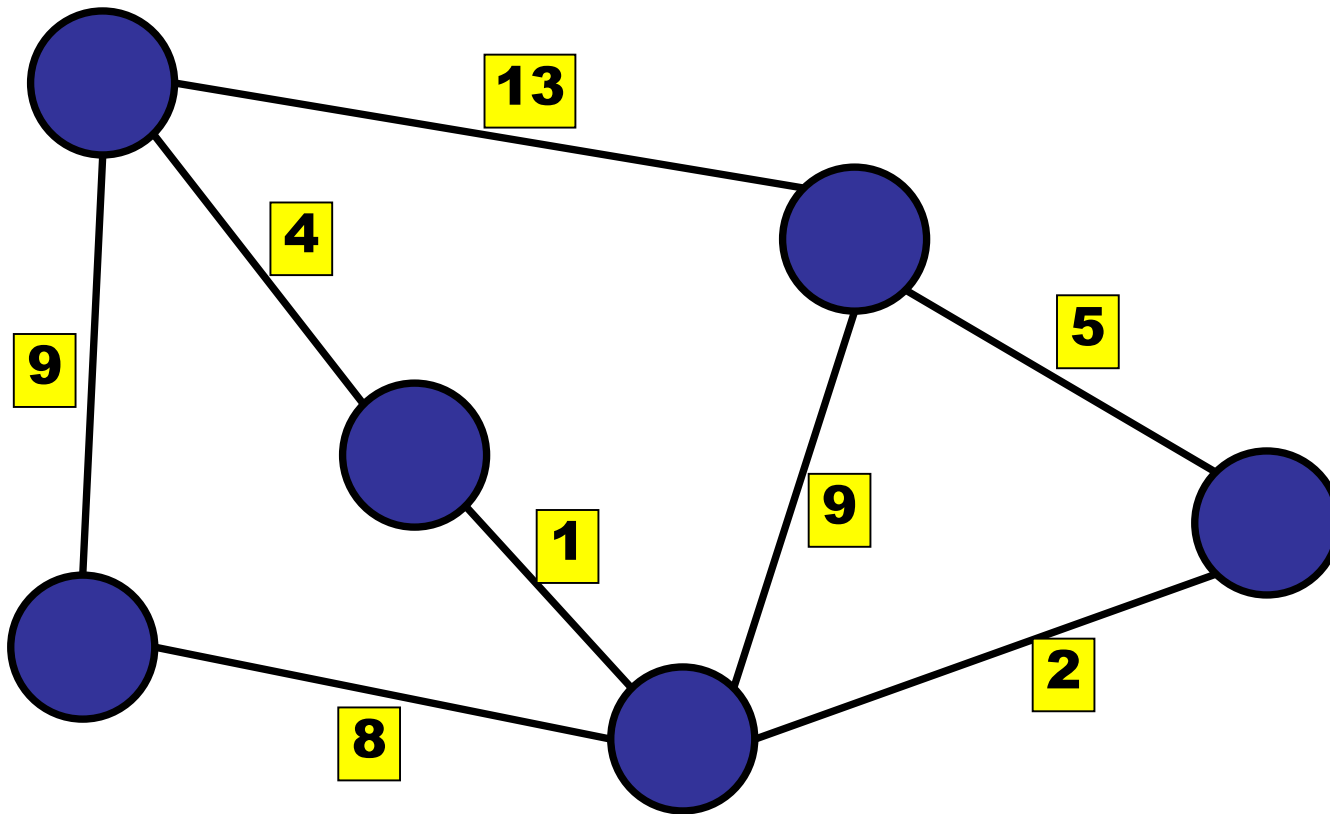
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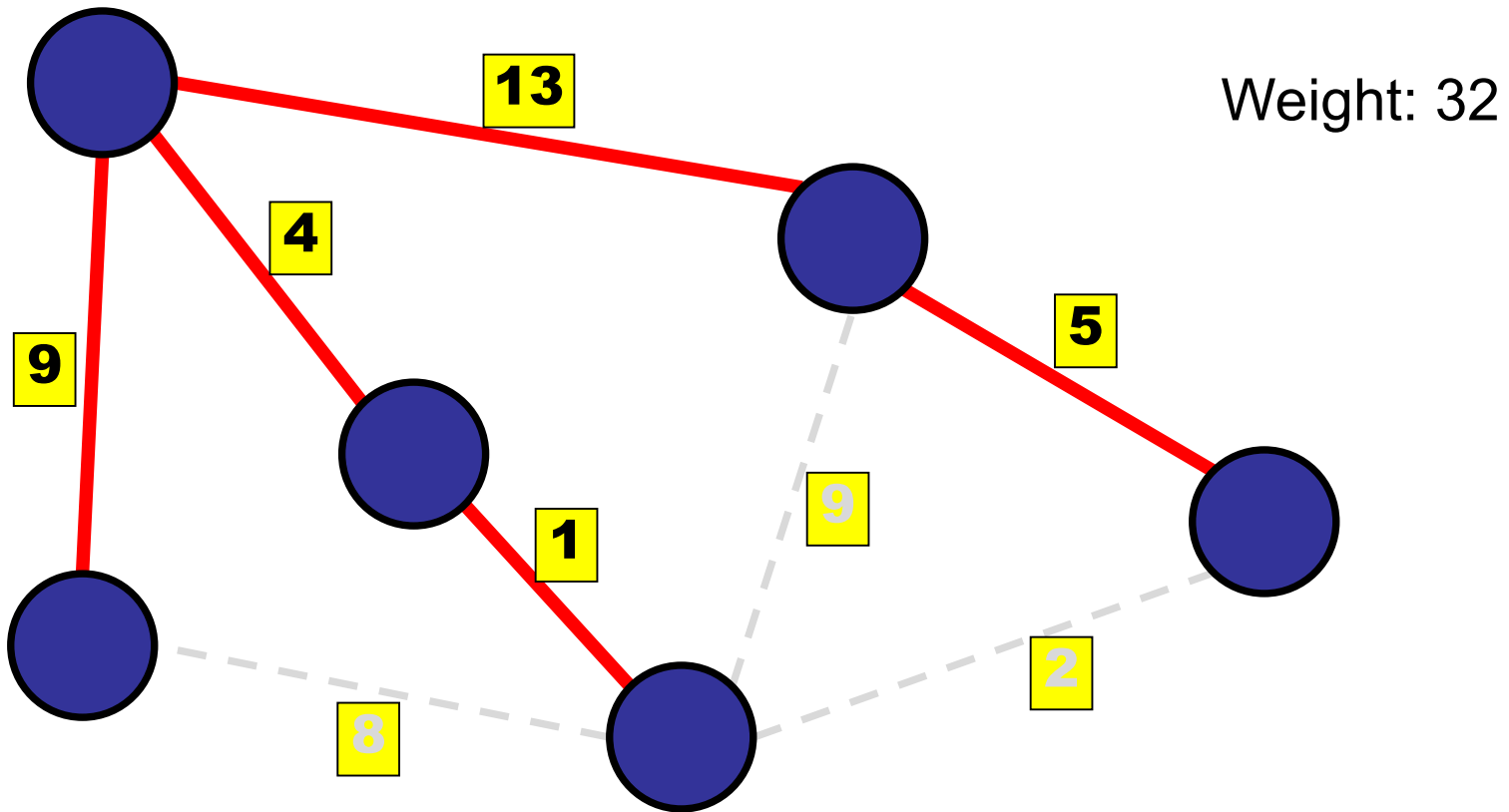
Spanning Tree

Weighted, undirected graph:



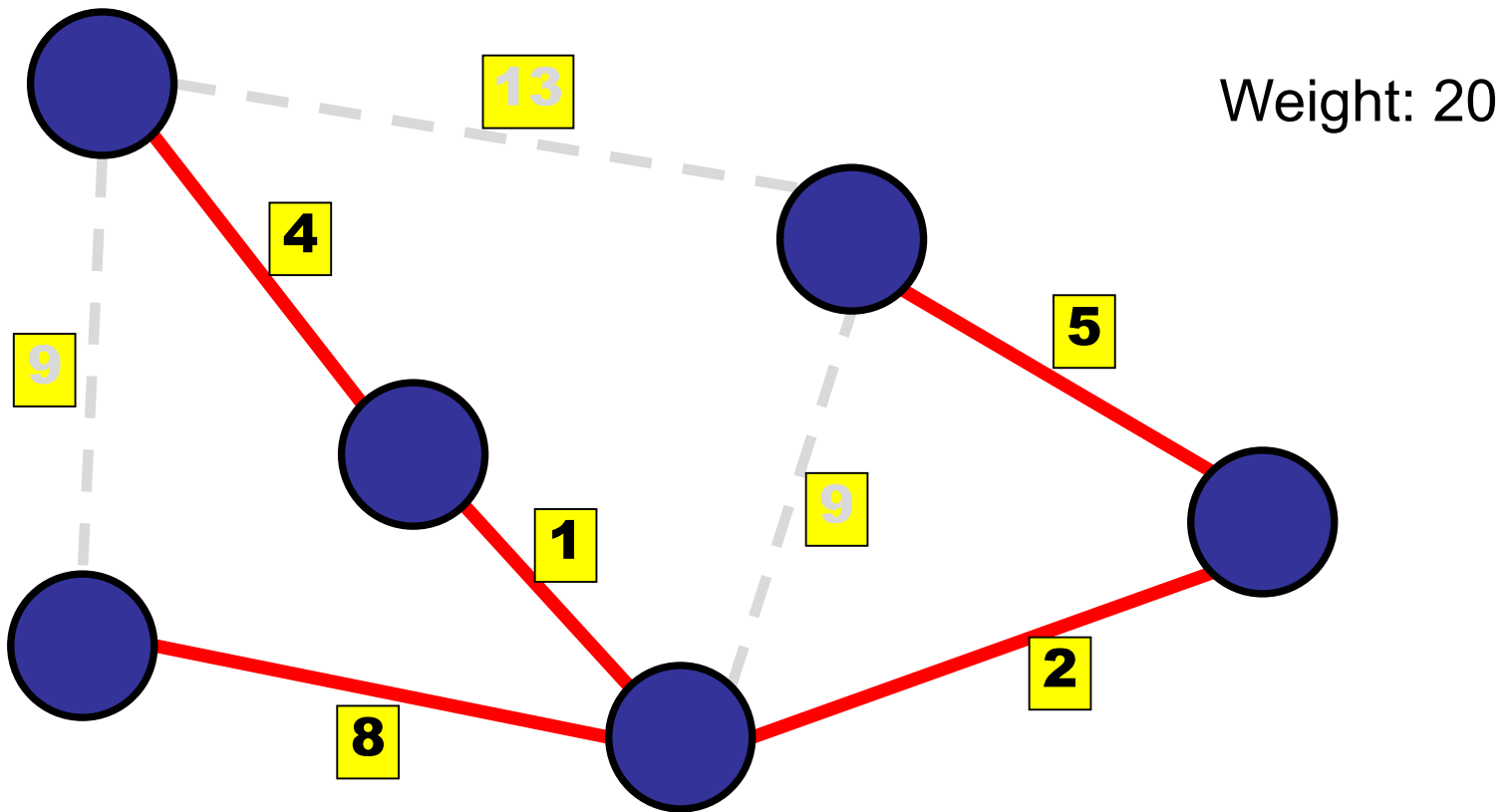
Spanning Tree

Definition: a **spanning tree** is an acyclic subset of the edges that connects all nodes



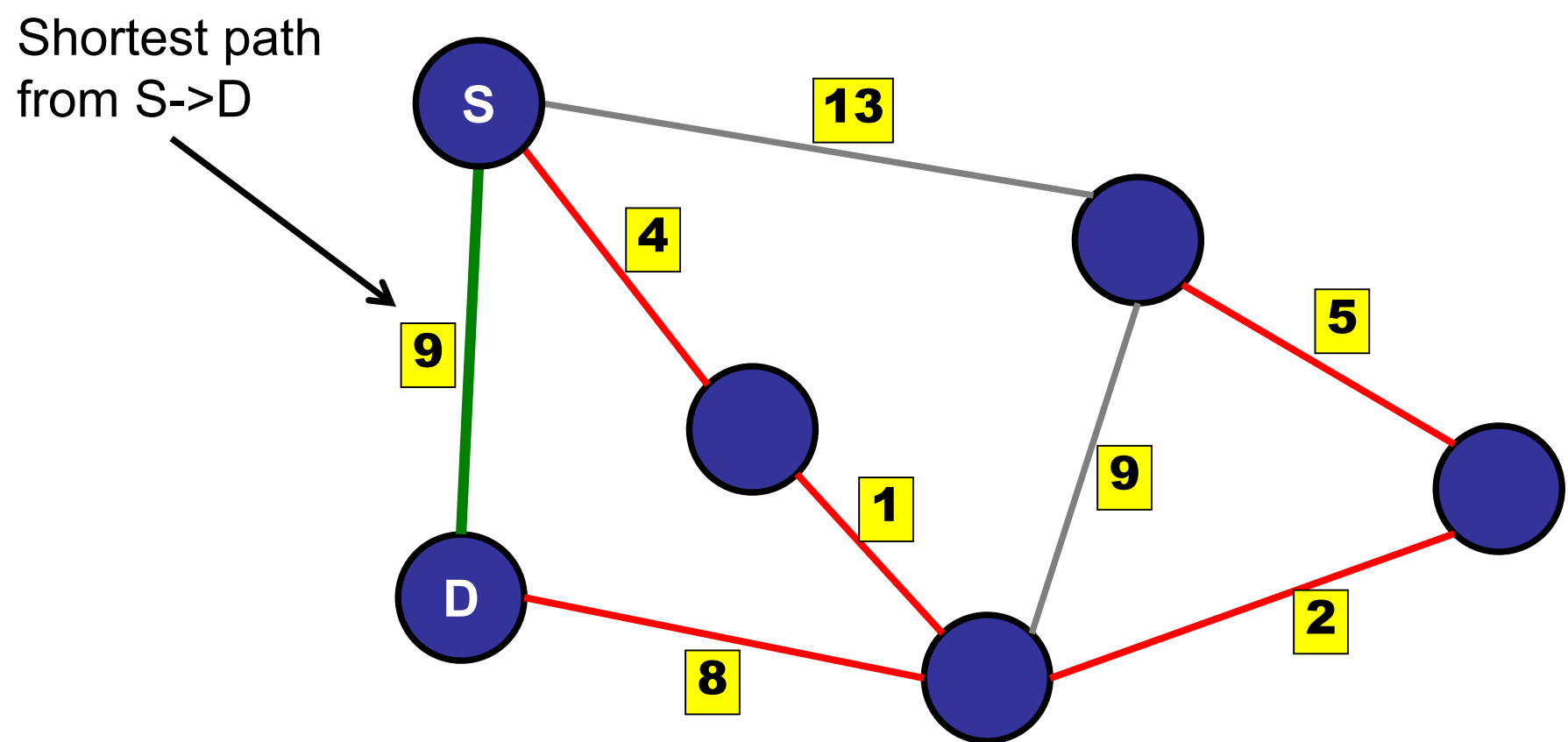
Minimum Spanning Tree

Definition: a spanning tree with minimum weight



Minimum Spanning Tree

Not the same a shortest paths:



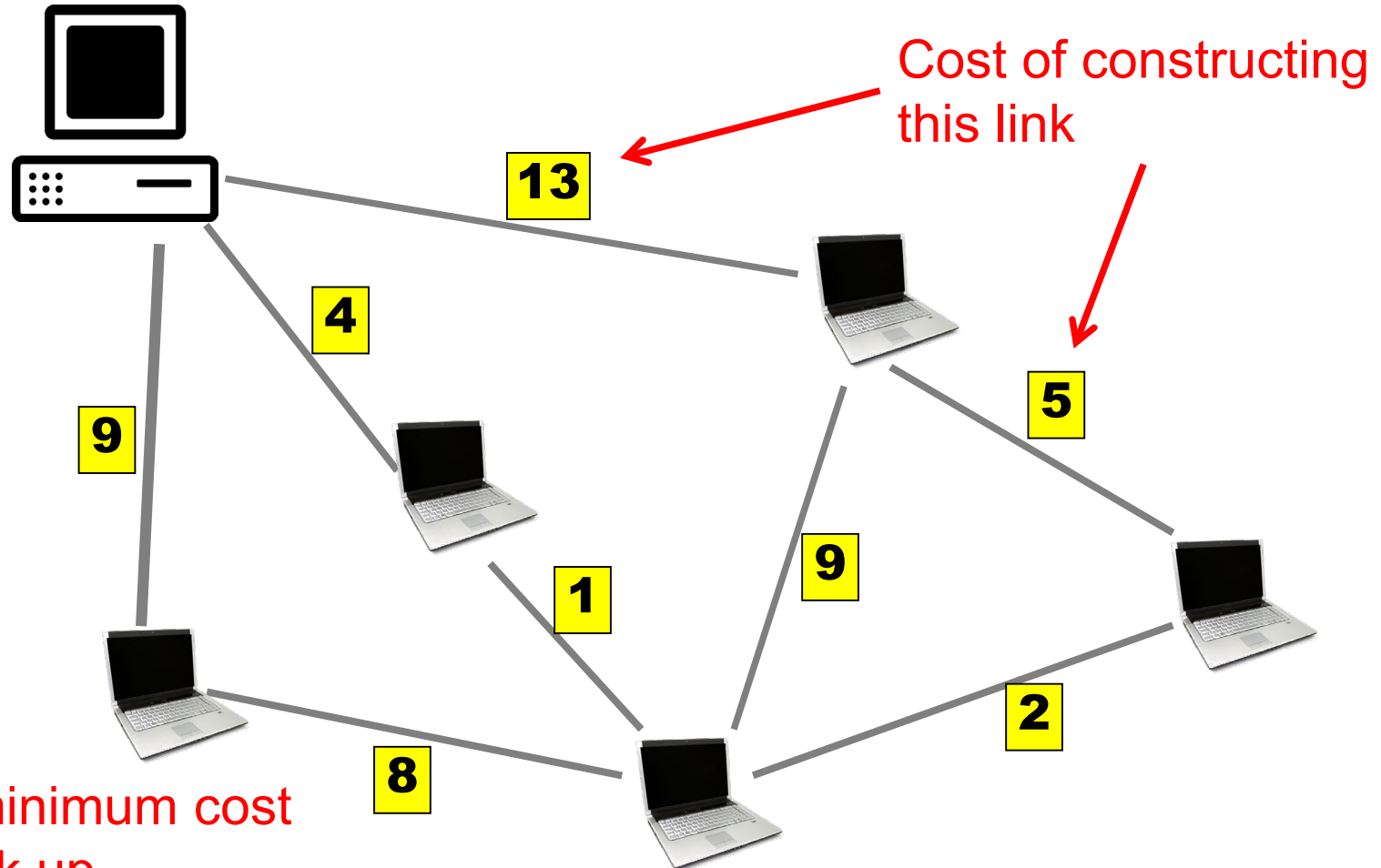
Applications of MST

Many applications:

- Network design
 - Telephone networks
 - Electrical networks
 - Computer networks
 - Ethernet autoconfig
 - Road networks
 - Bottleneck paths

Data distribution

Network:



What is the minimum cost network to link up all the users?

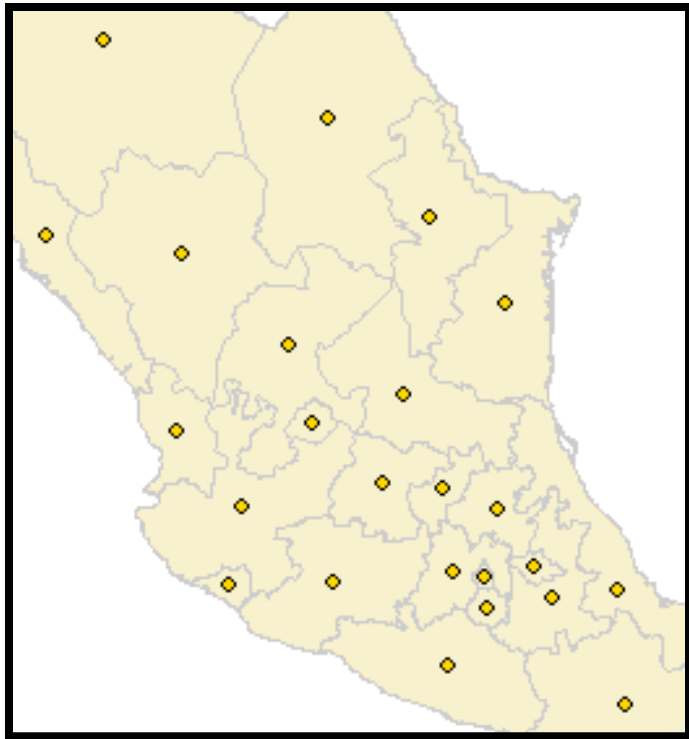
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Many applications:

- Many other
 - Error correcting codes
 - Face verification
 - Cluster analysis
 - Image registration

Euclidean Minimal Spanning Tree

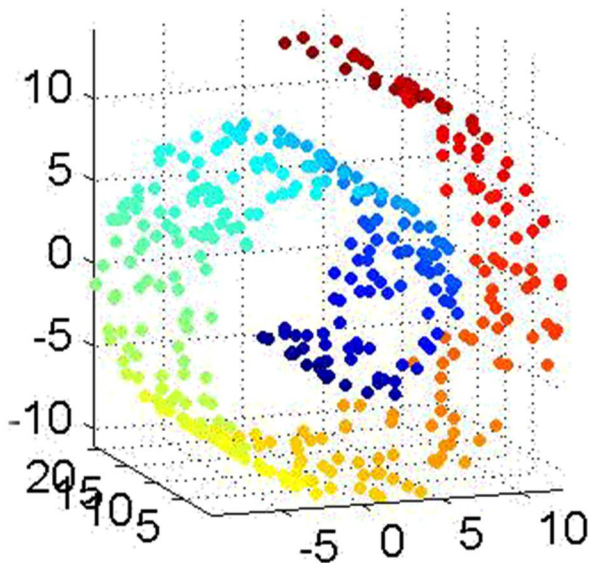
- Given point set P , $EMST(P)$ is the tree that spans P and the sum of lengths of all edges is minimal



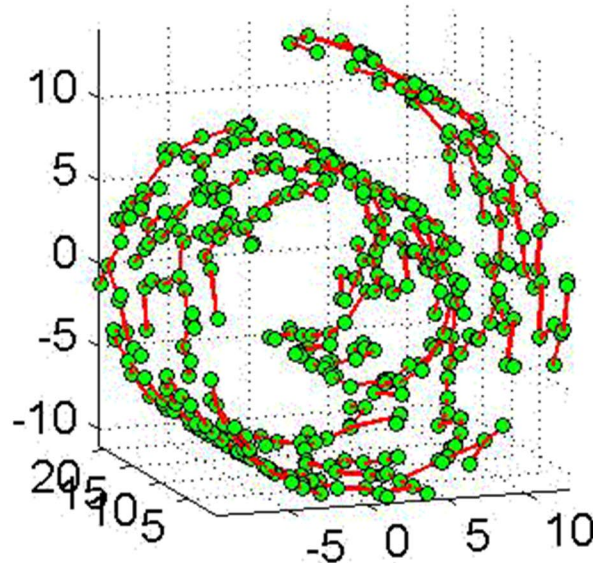
Discovering structures (mainly manifold) for high dimensional data

- In machine learning, pattern recognition, data mining, etc

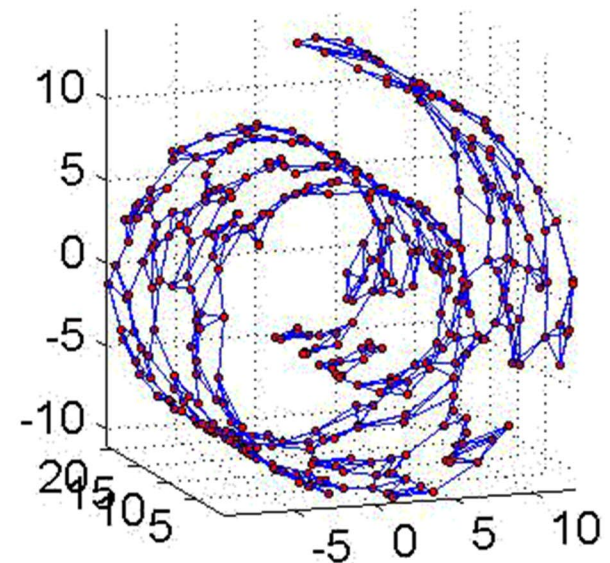
Data points



GMST

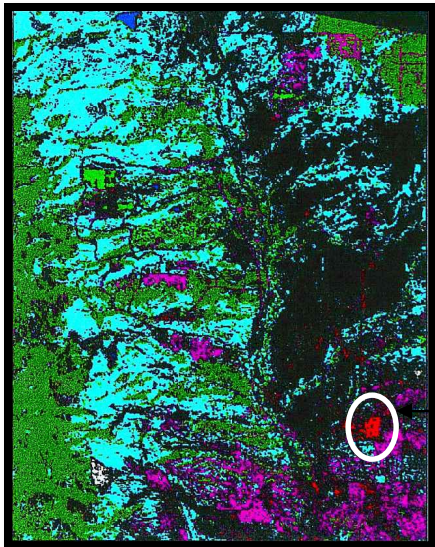


4-NN

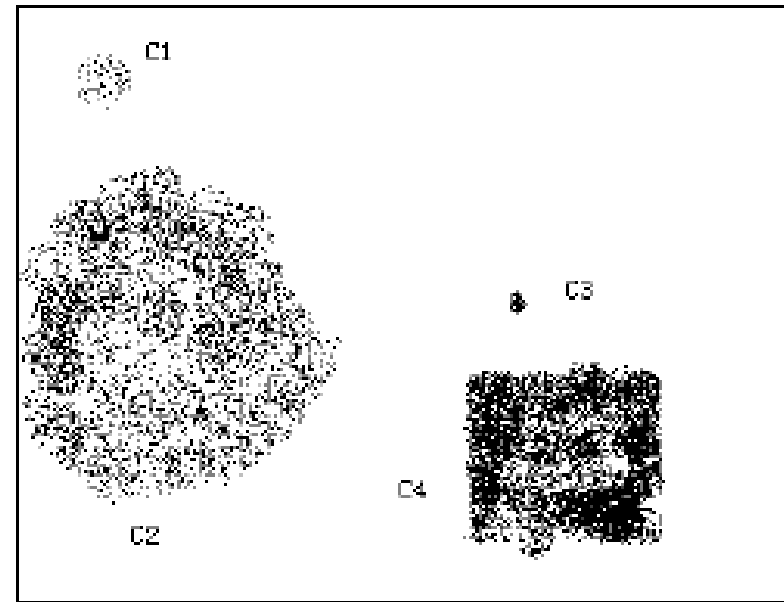


Anomaly Detection

- Anomaly is a pattern in the data that does not conform to the expected behavior.
- E.g. Cyber intrusions, credit card fraud, air traffic safety



Anomaly



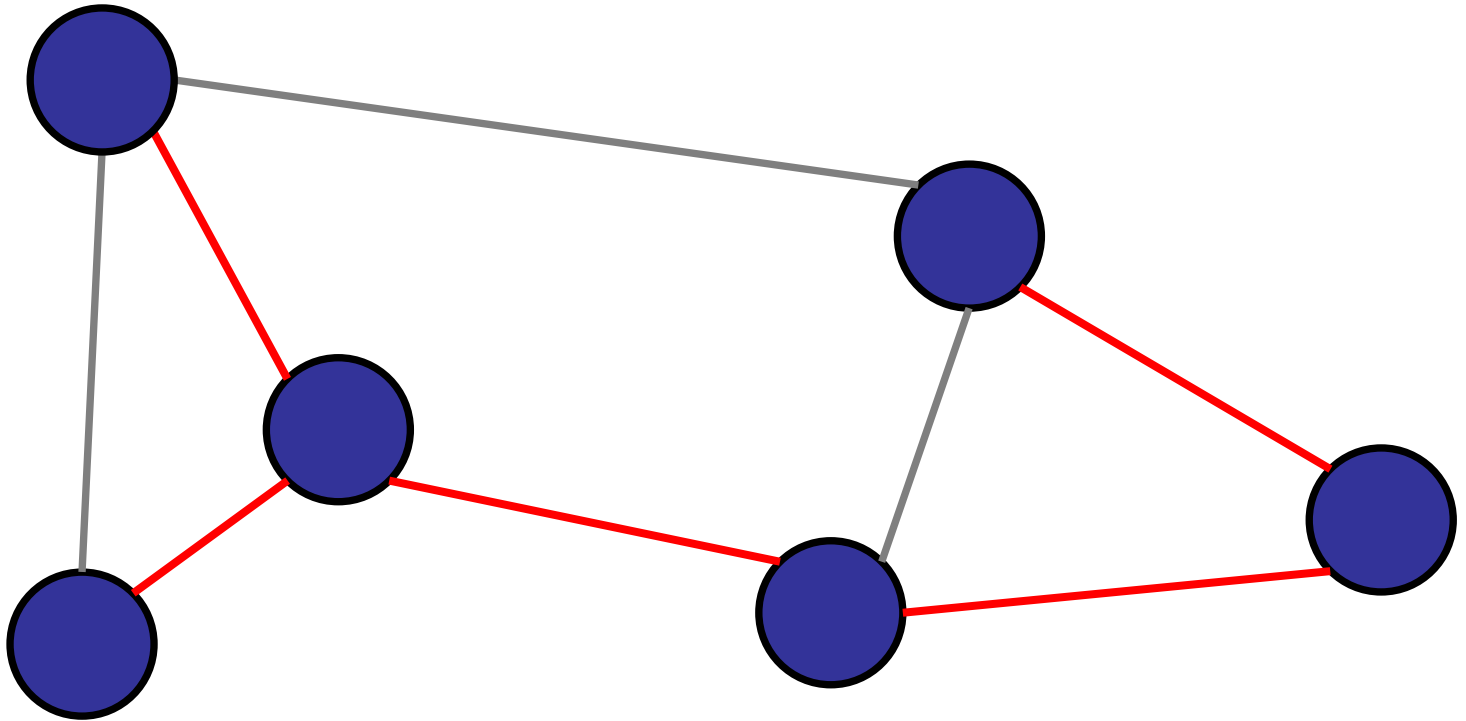
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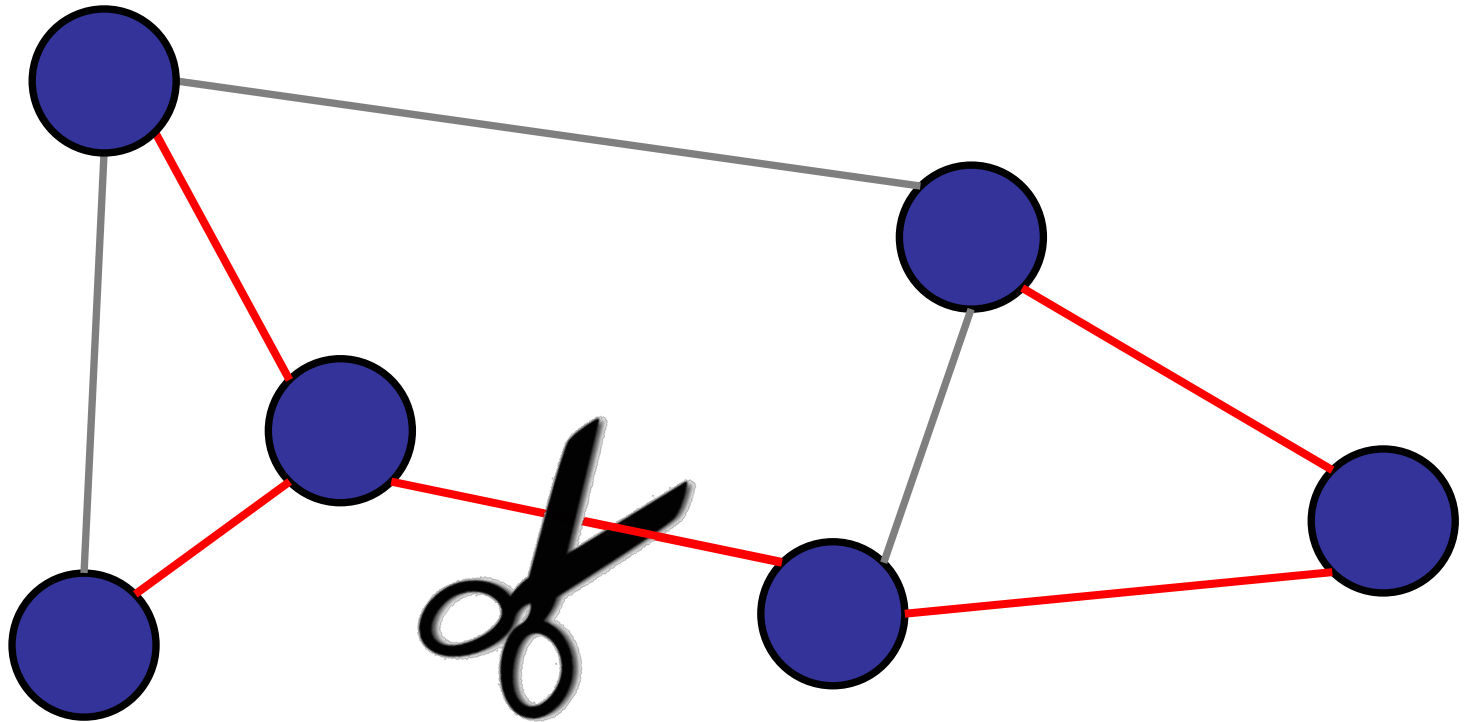
Property 1: No cycles



Why? If there were cycles, we could remove one edge and reduce the weight!

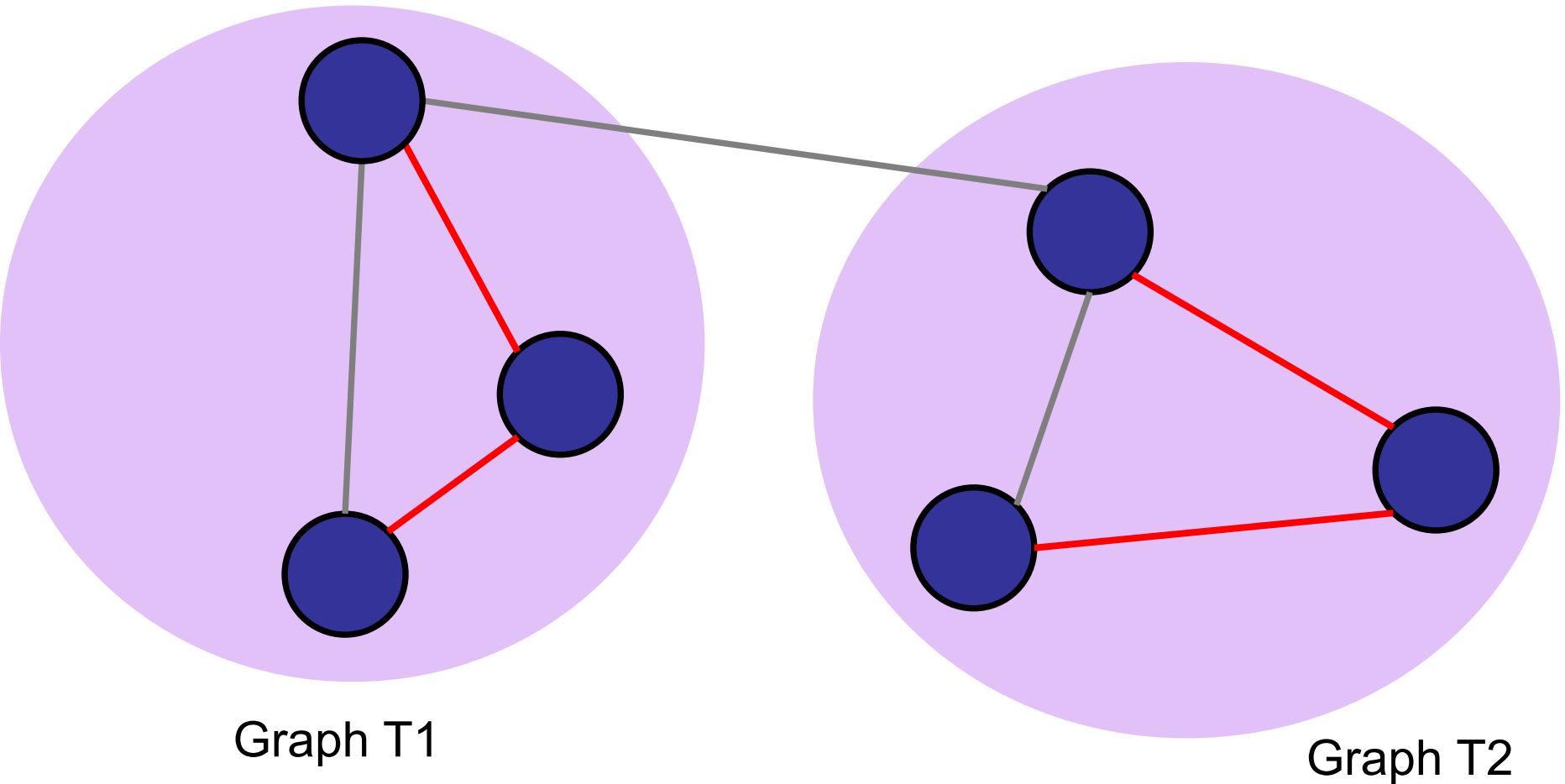
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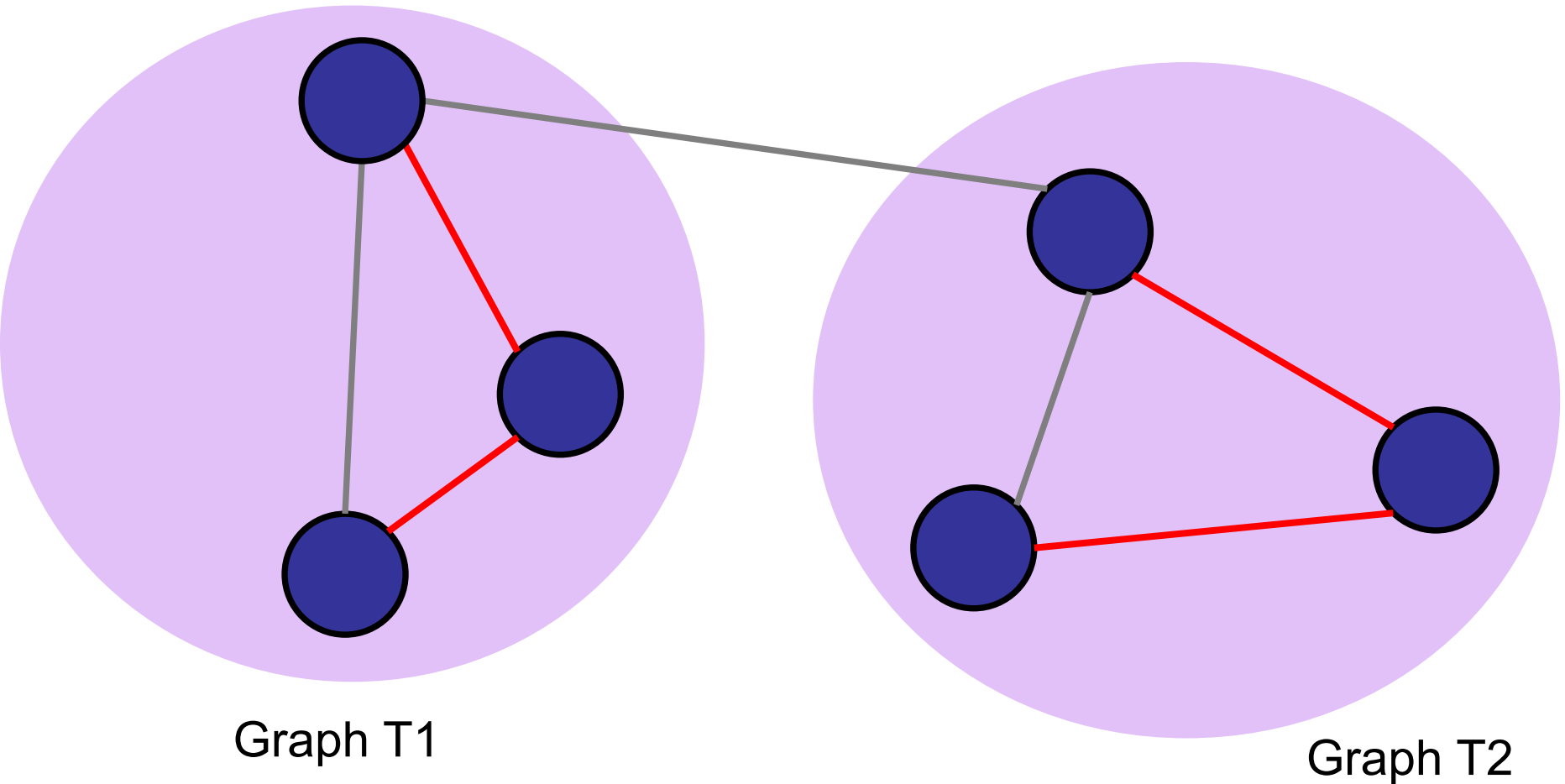
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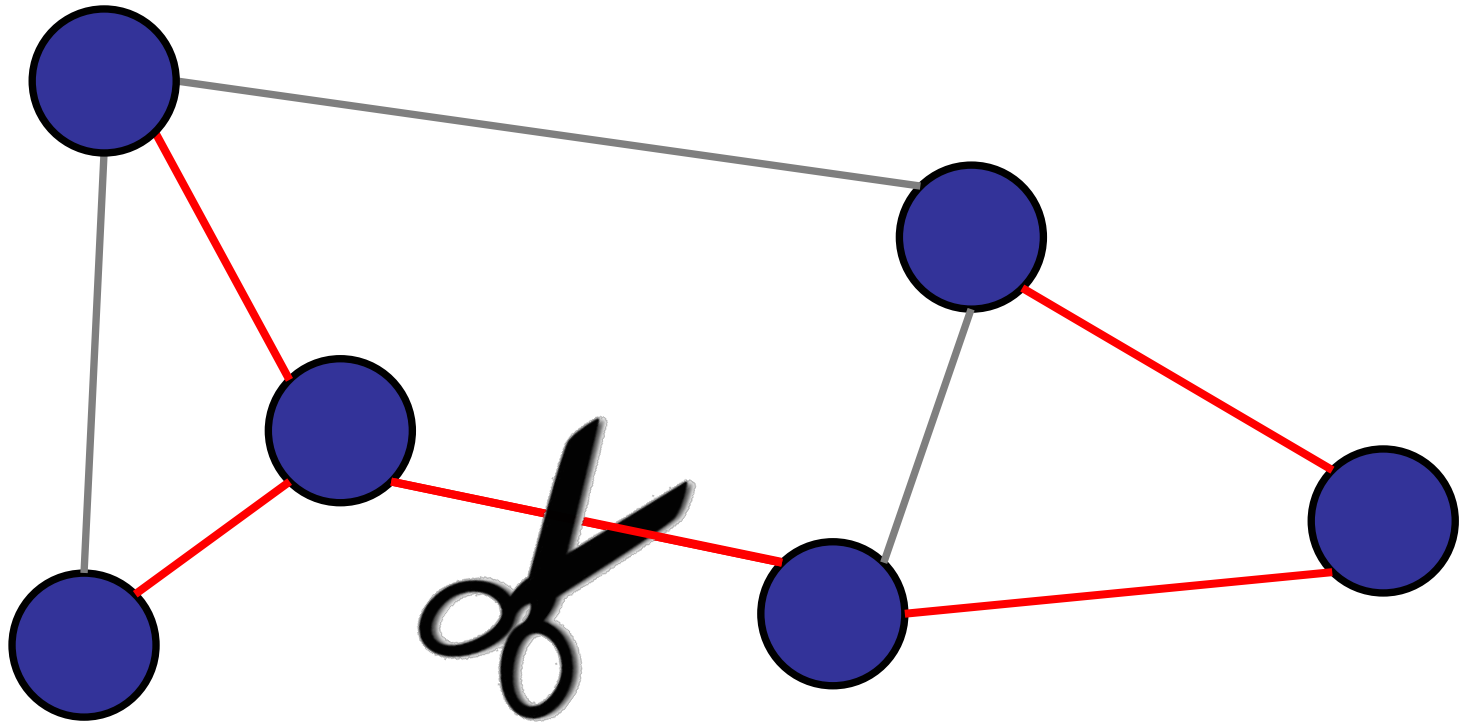
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Theorem: T1 is an MST and T2 is an MST.



Properties of MST

Property 2: If you cut an MST, the two pieces are both MSTs.

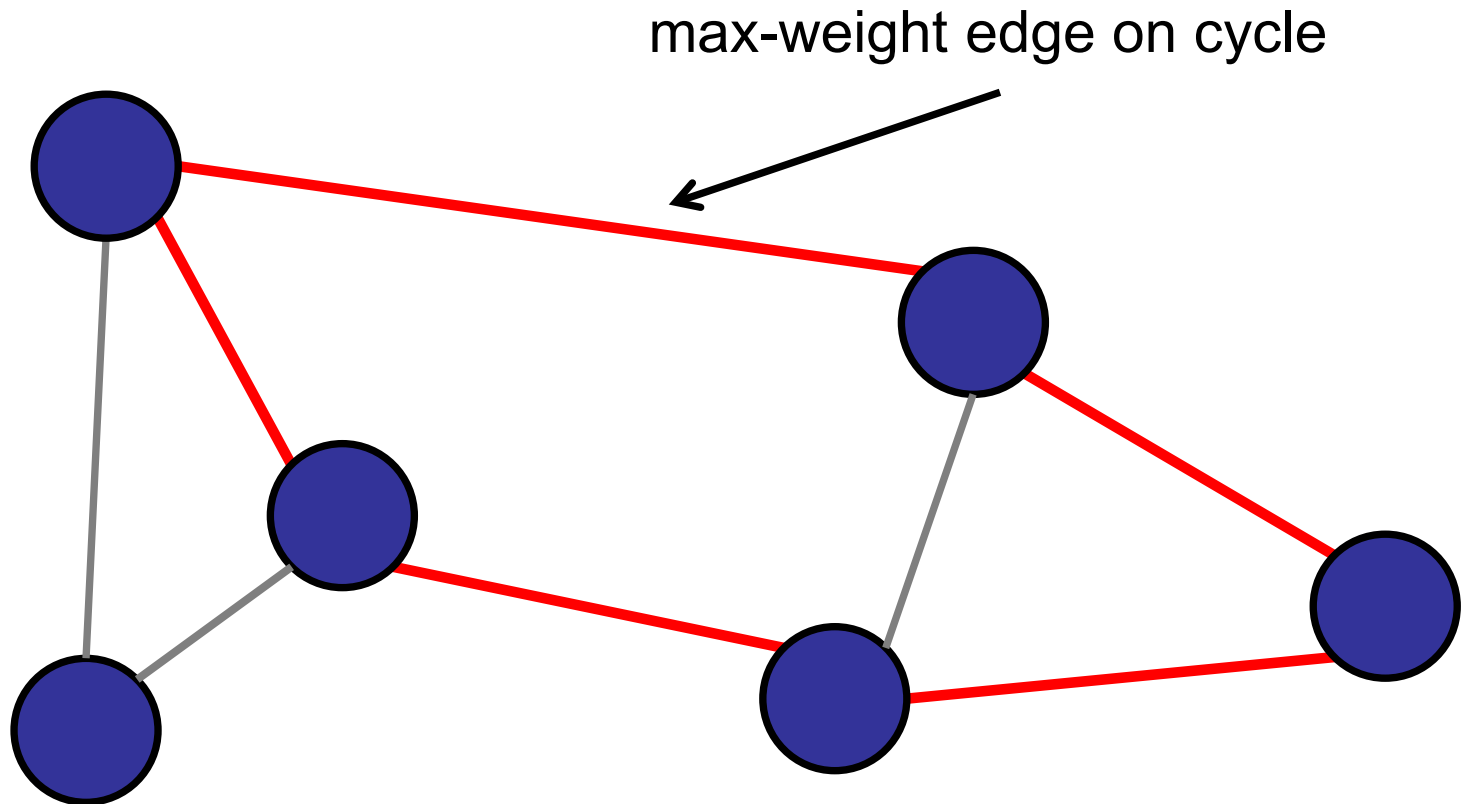


Overlapping sub-problems! Dynamic programming? Yes, but better...

Properties of MST

Property 3: Cycle property

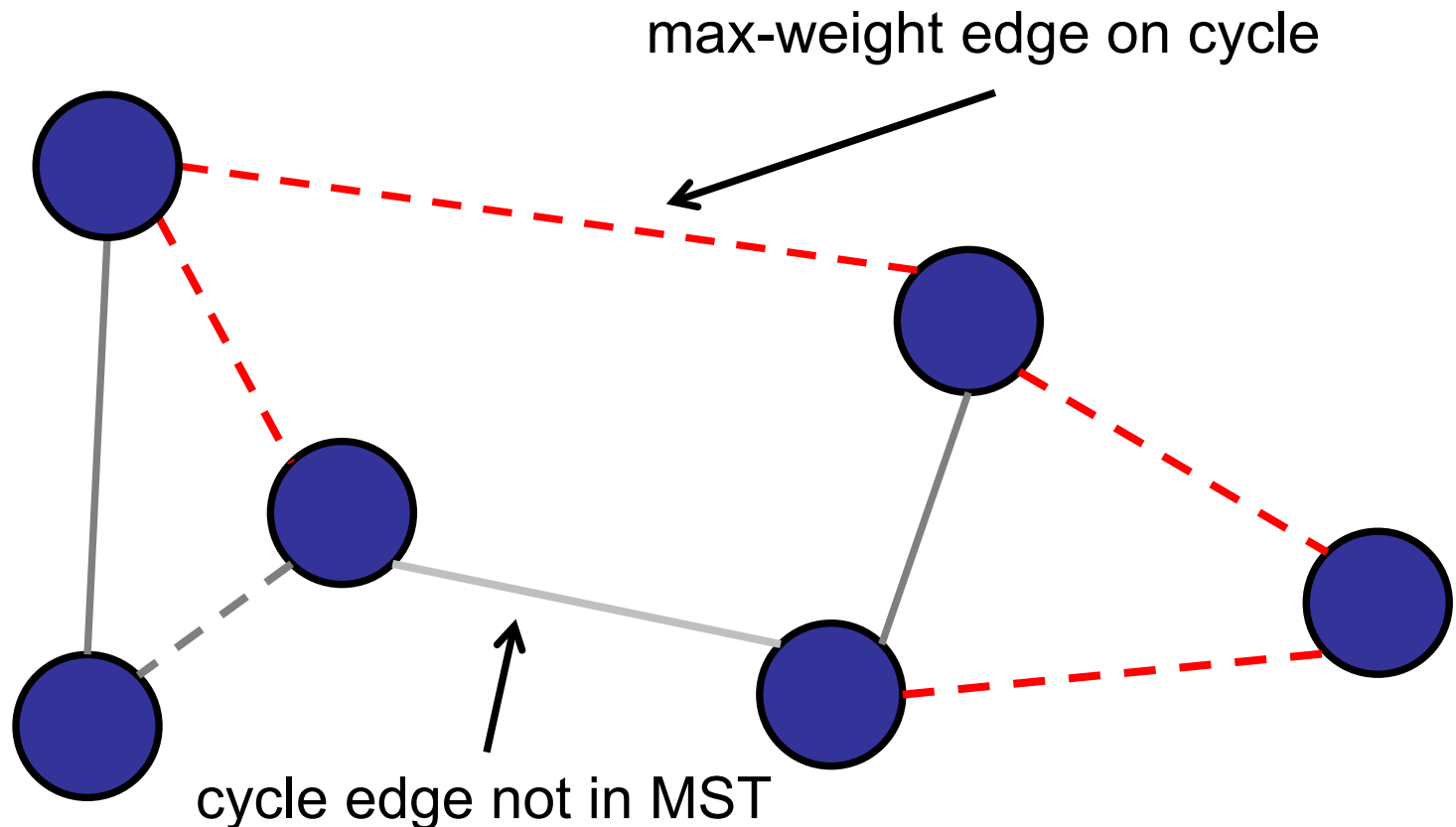
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Properties of MST

Proof: Cut-and-paste

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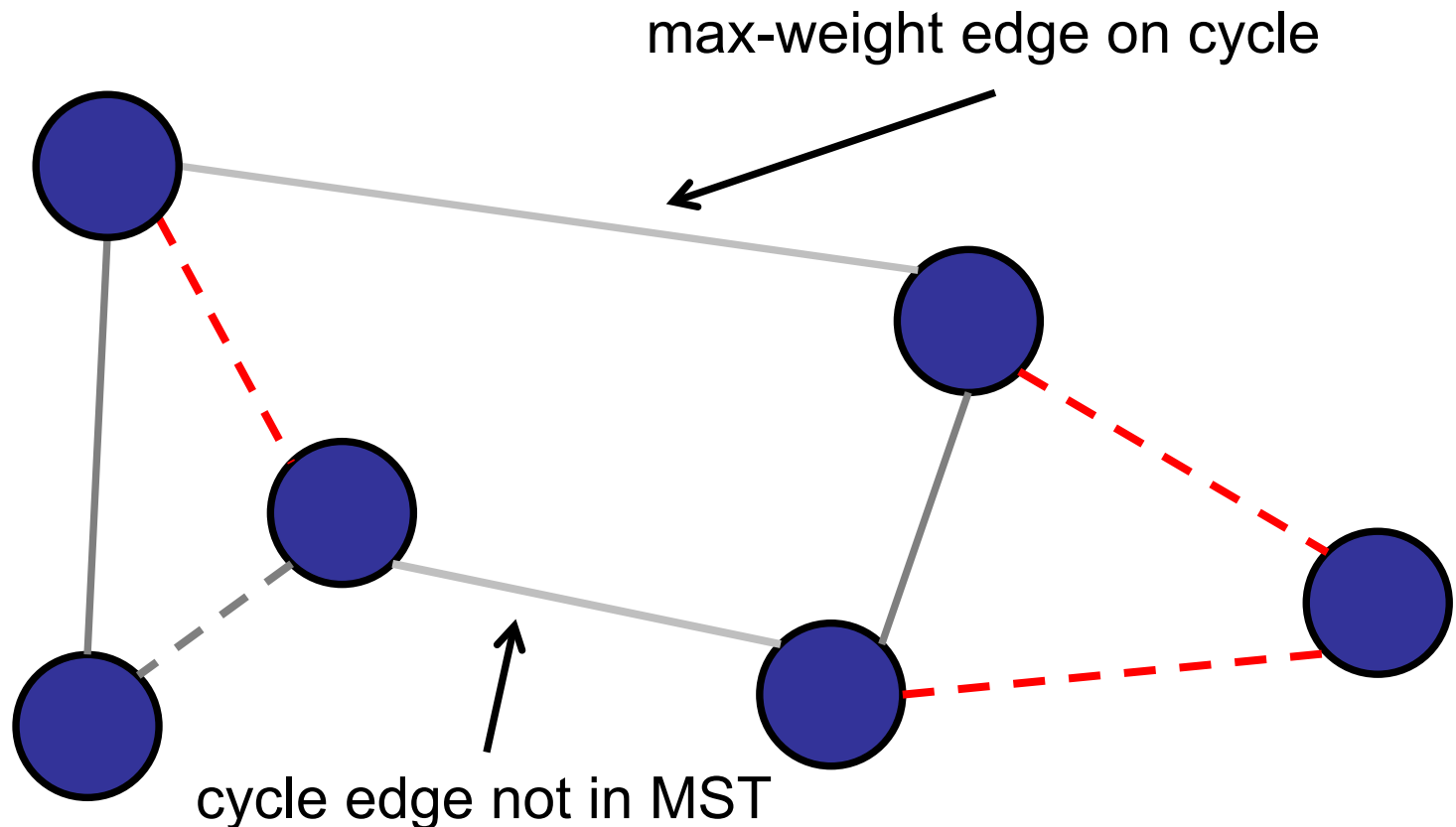


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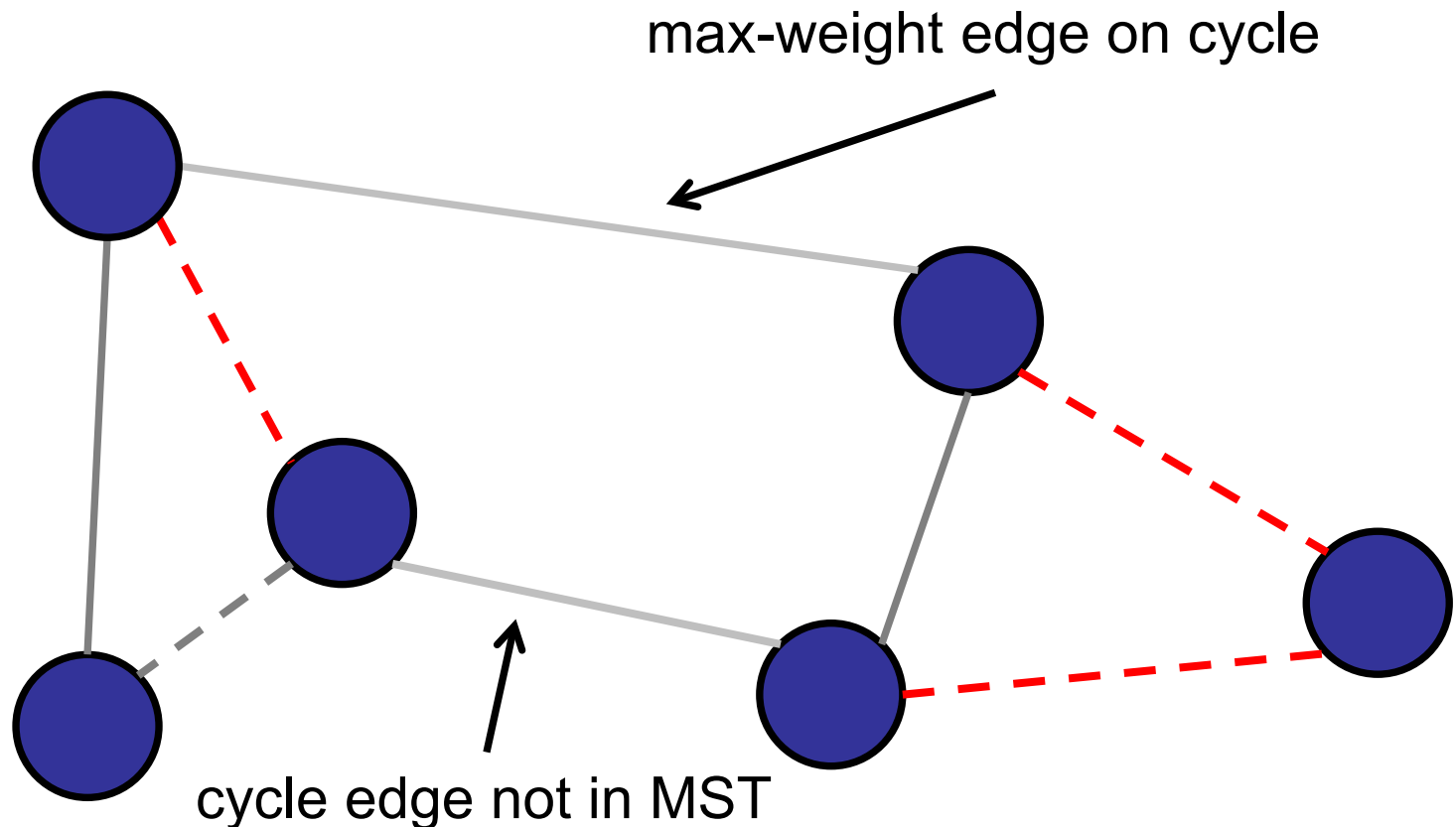
Remove max-weight edge; cuts graph.



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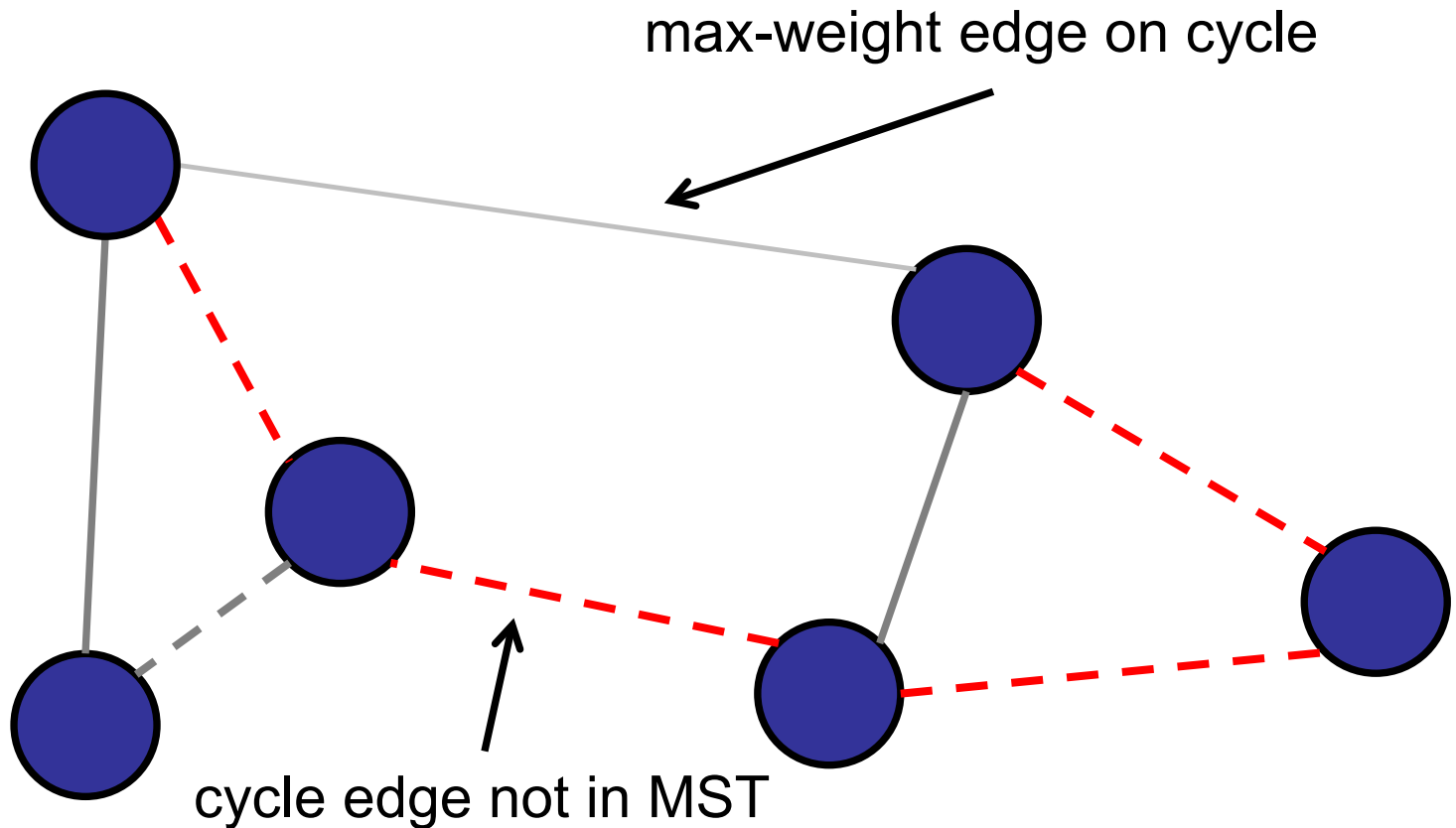
There exists another cycle edge that crosses the cut. (Even # of cycle edges across cut.)



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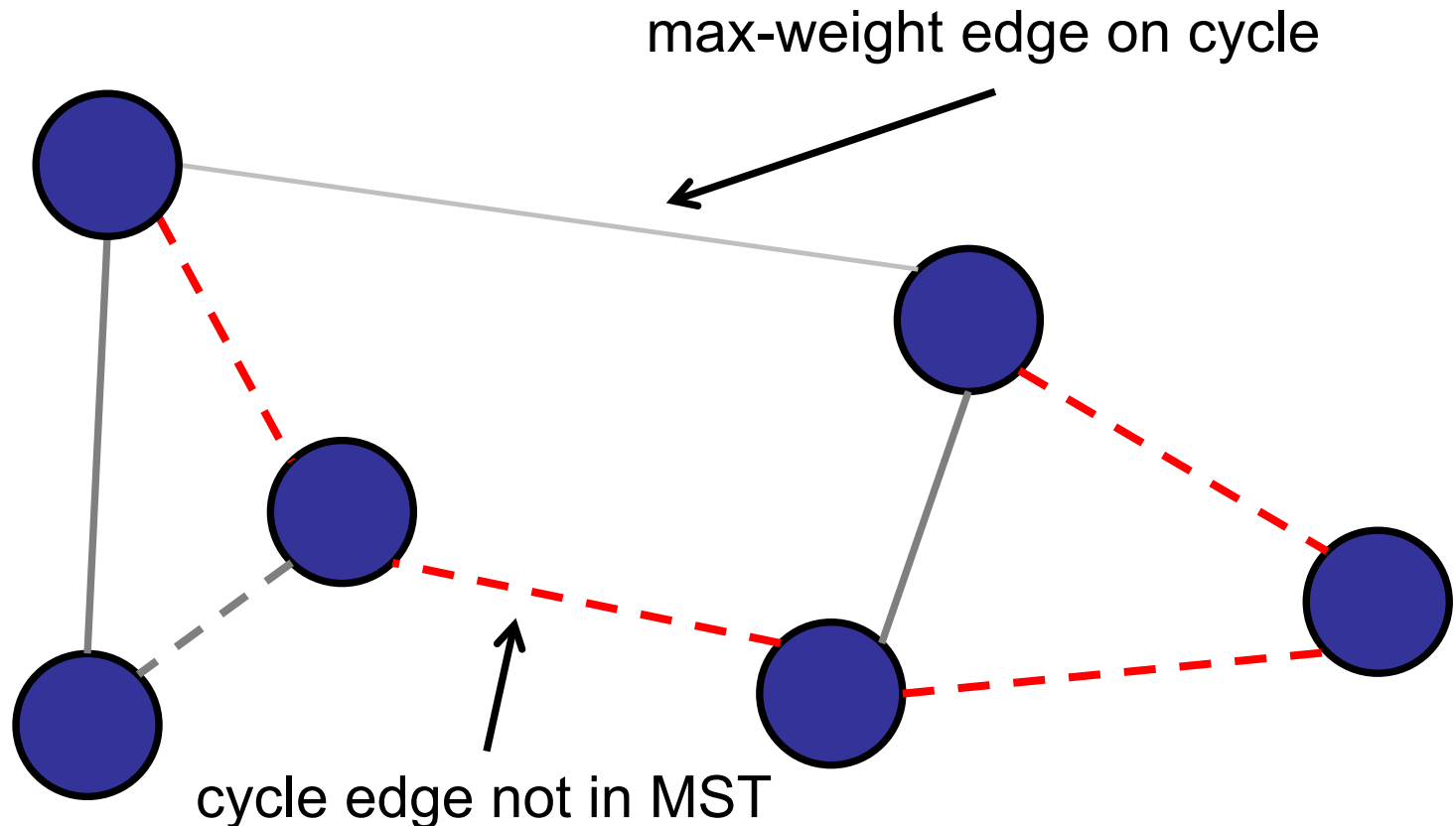
Replace heavy edge with lighter edge.
Still a spanning tree: Property 2.



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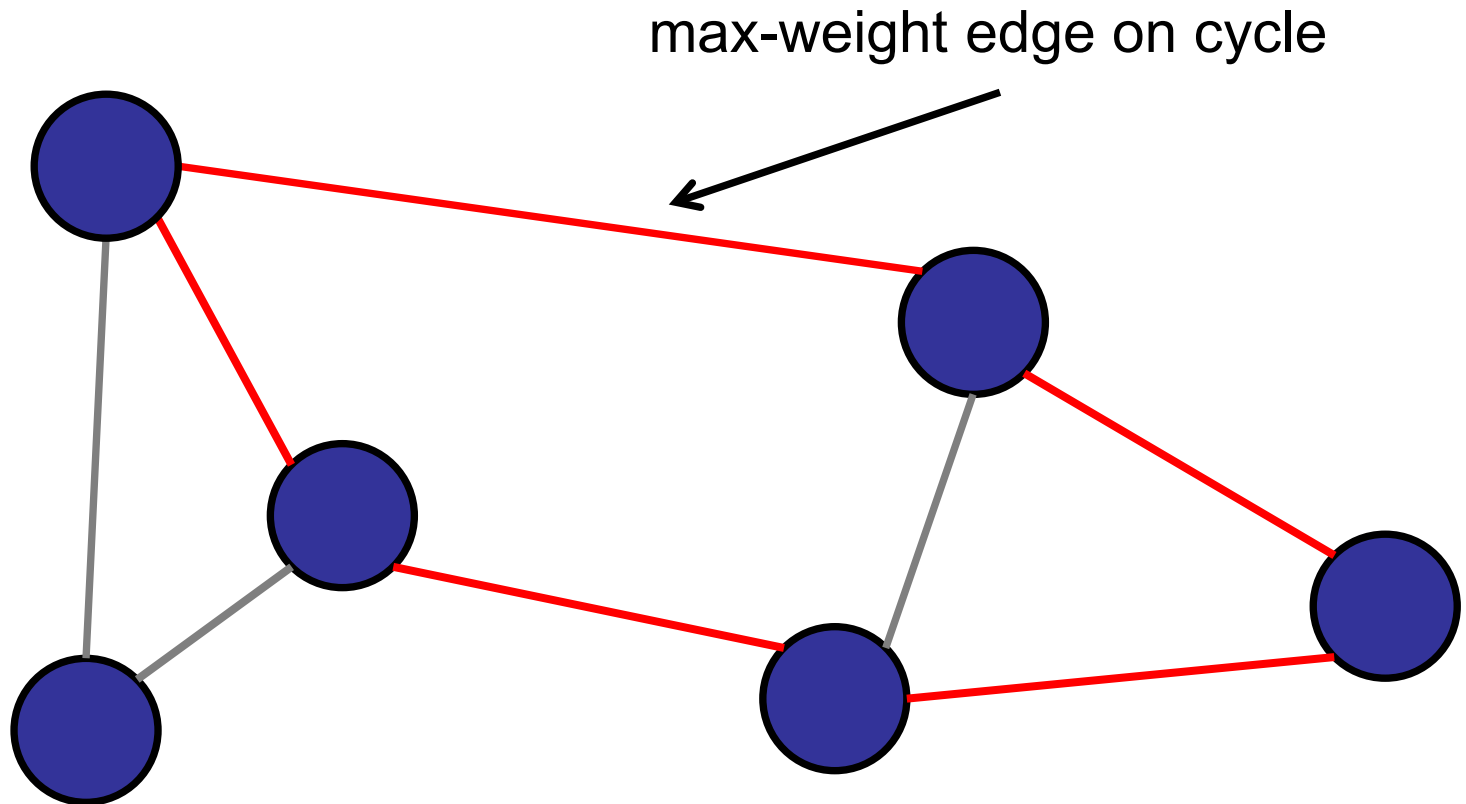
Replace heavy edge with lighter edge.
Less weight! Contradiction...



Properties of MST

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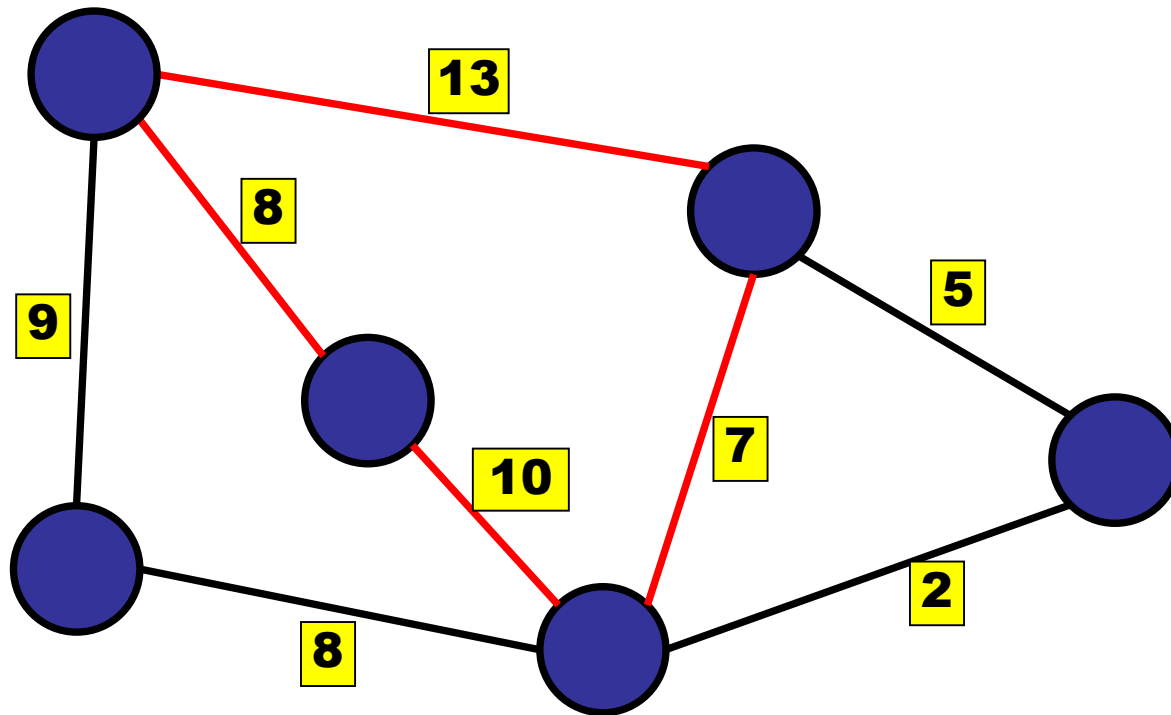
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Properties of MST

Property 3: False Cycle property

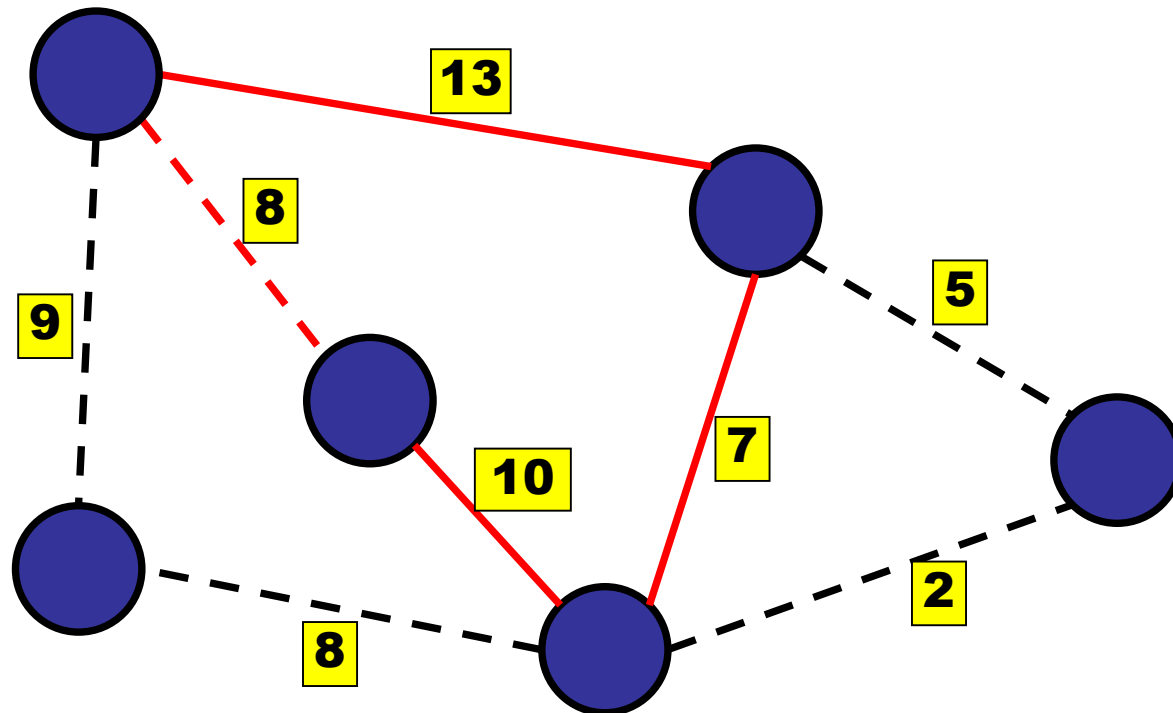
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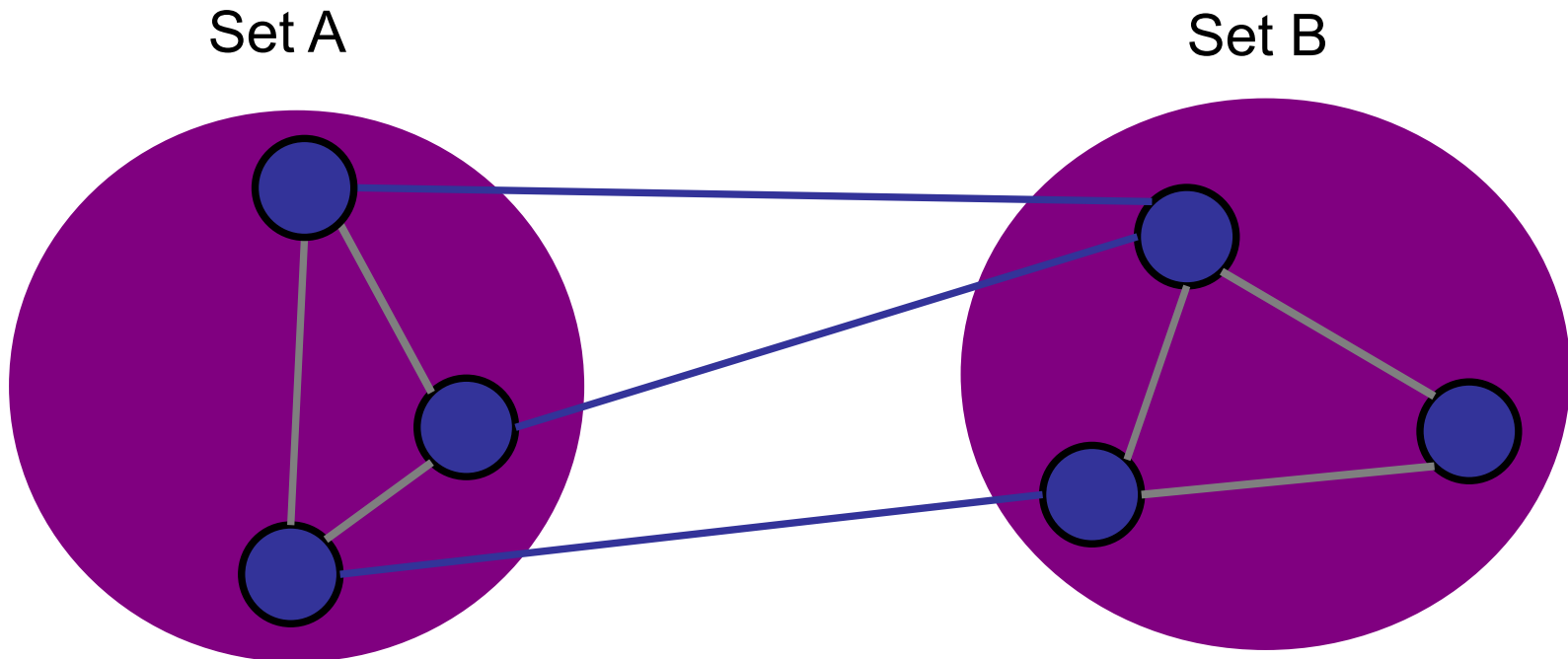
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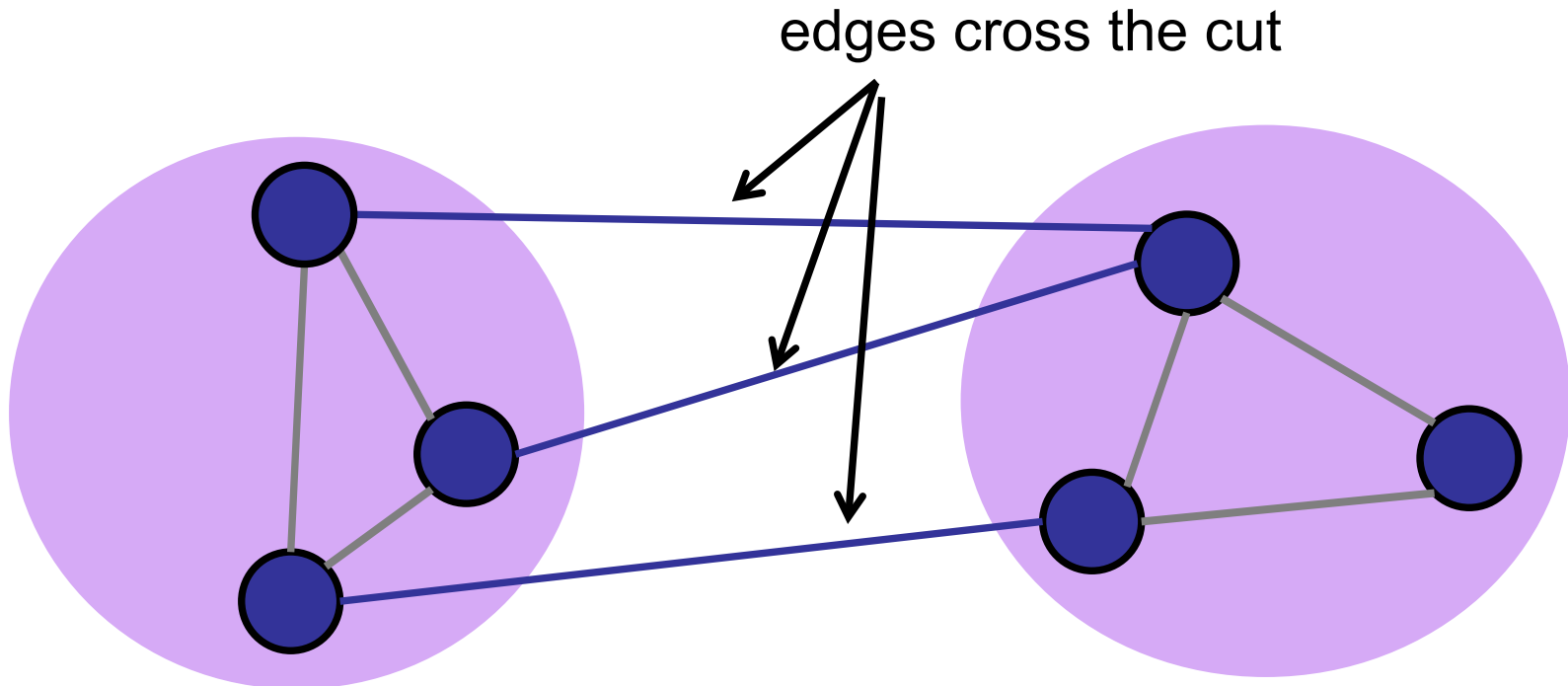
Properties of MST

Definition: A *cut* of a graph $G=(V,E)$ is a partition of the vertices V into two disjoint subsets.



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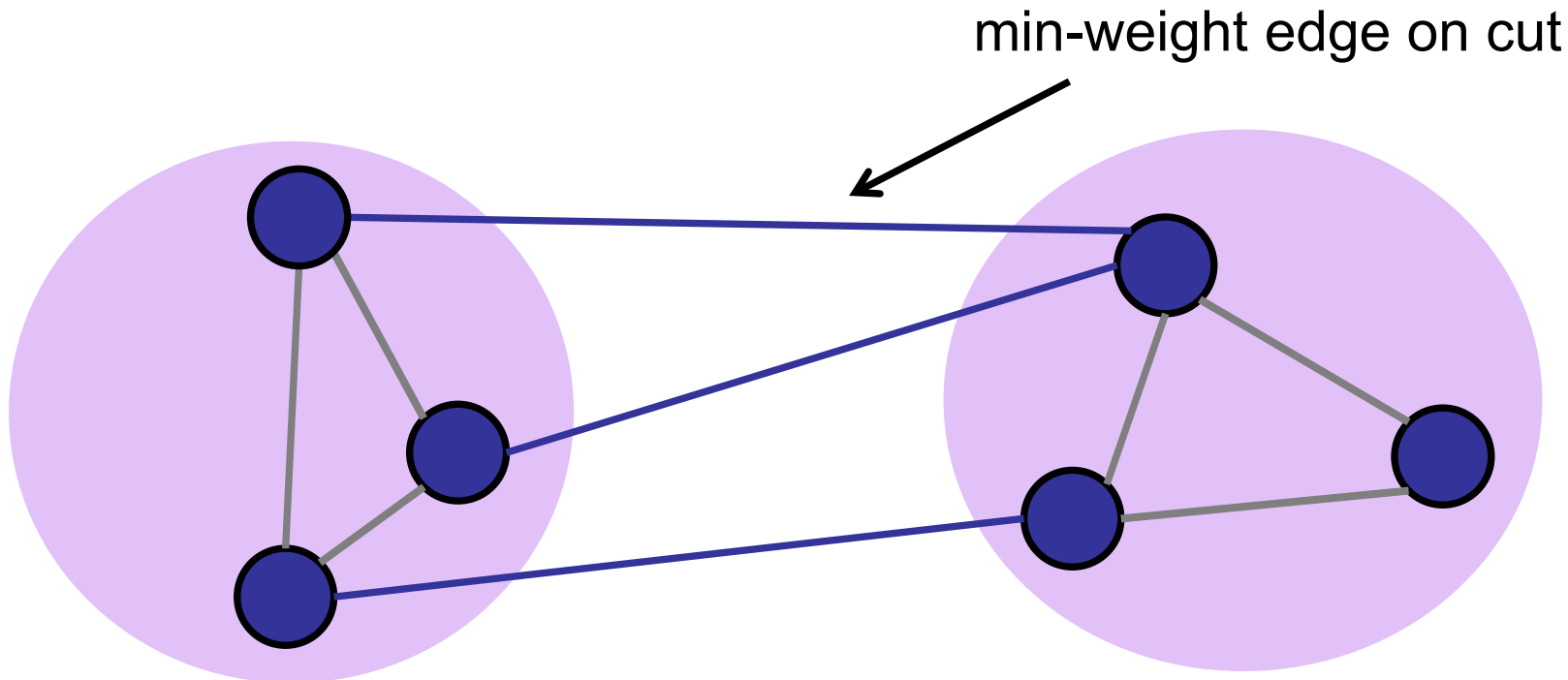
Definition: An edge *crosses a cut* if it has one vertex in each of the two sets.



Properties of MST

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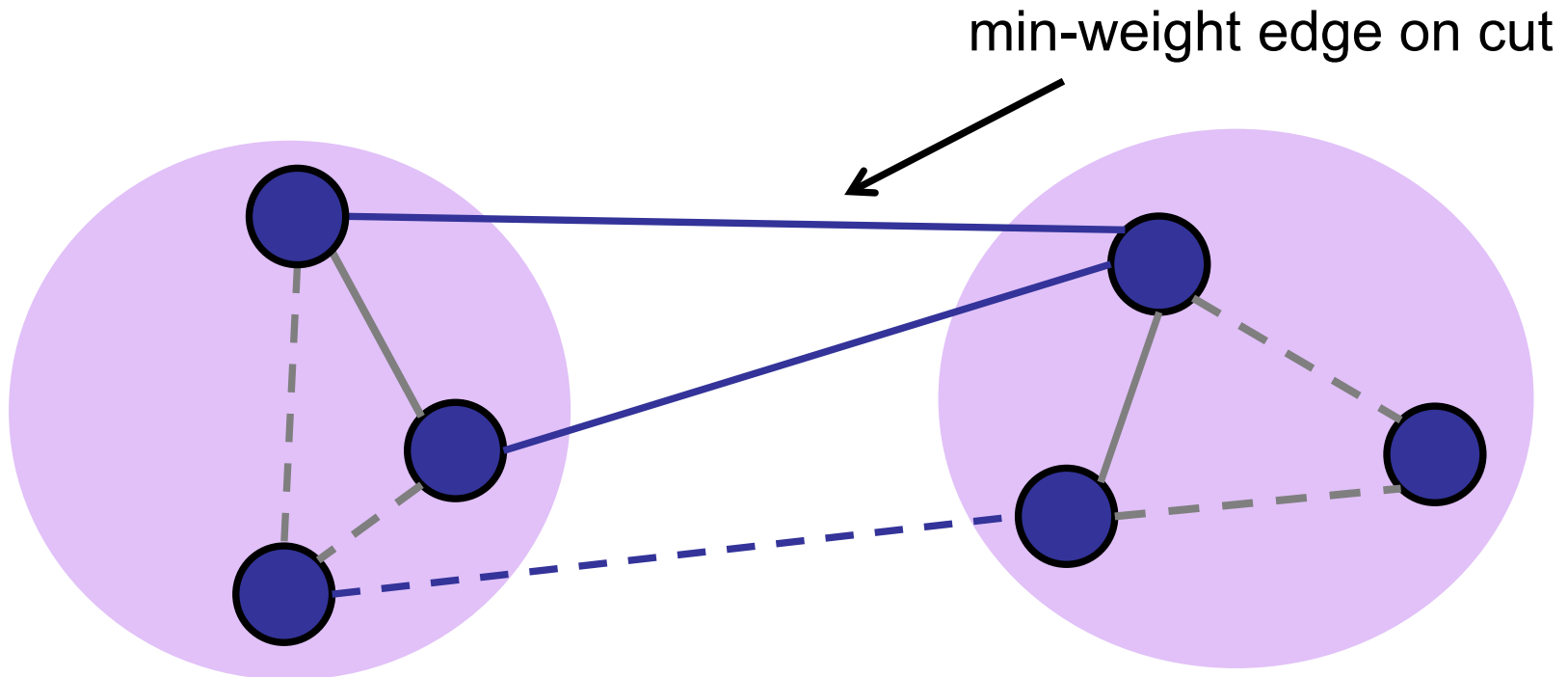
For every partition of the nodes, the minimum weight edge across the cut is in the MST.



Properties of MST

Proof: Cut-and-paste

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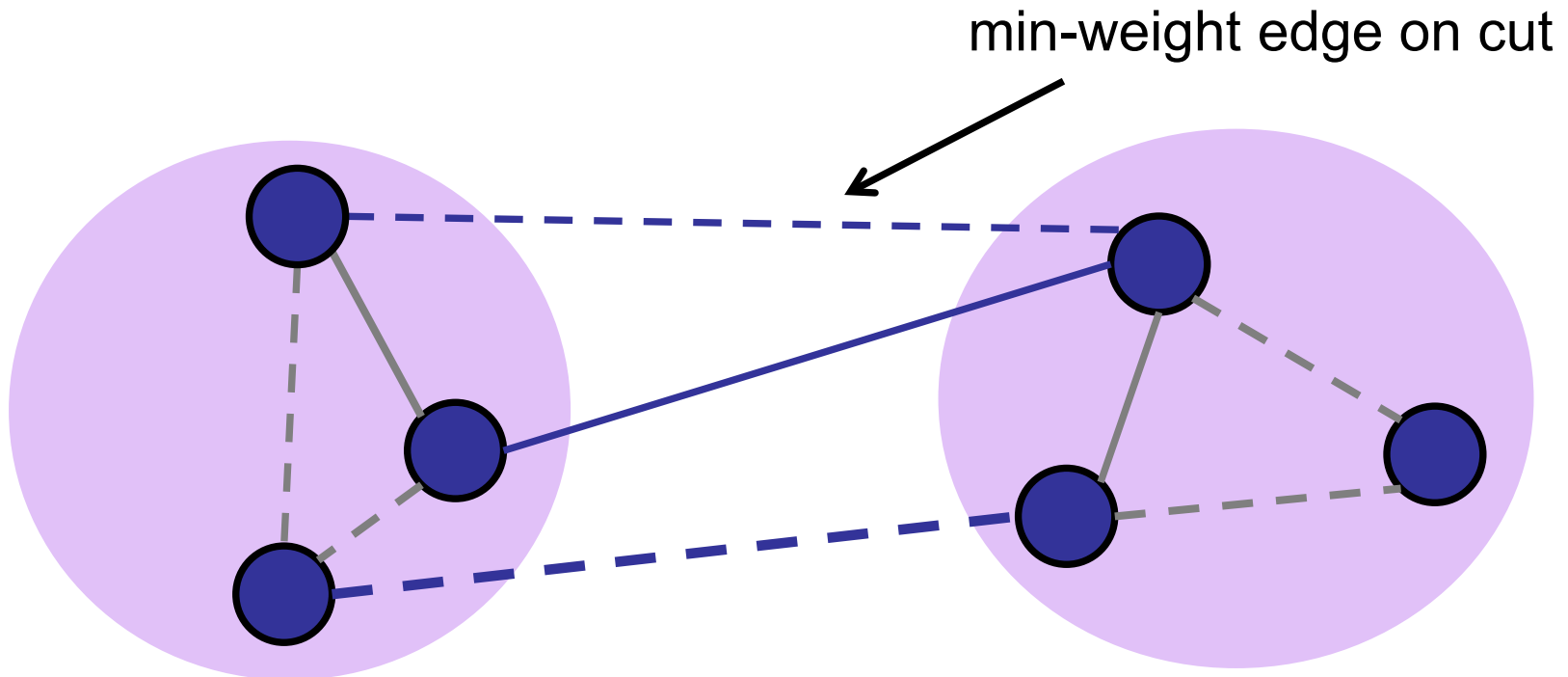


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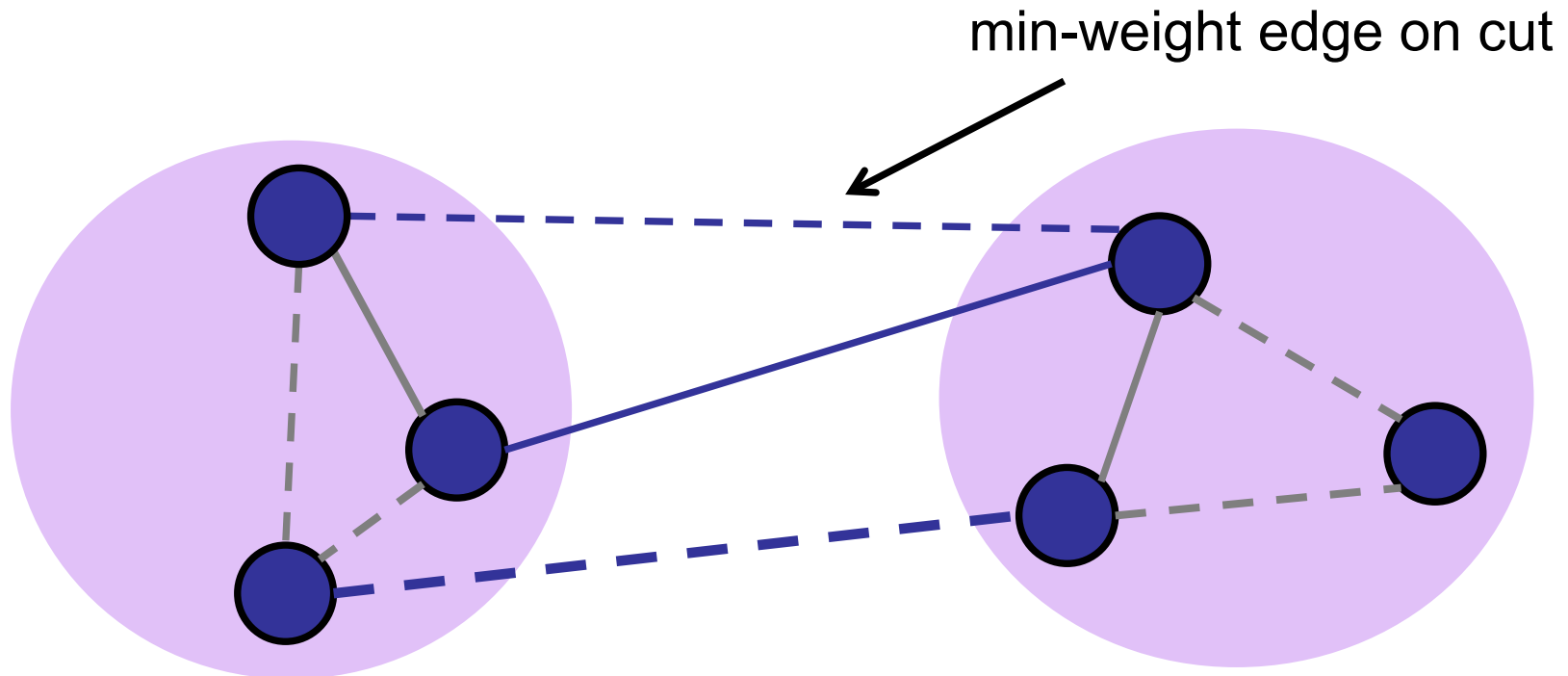
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Oops, creates a cycle!



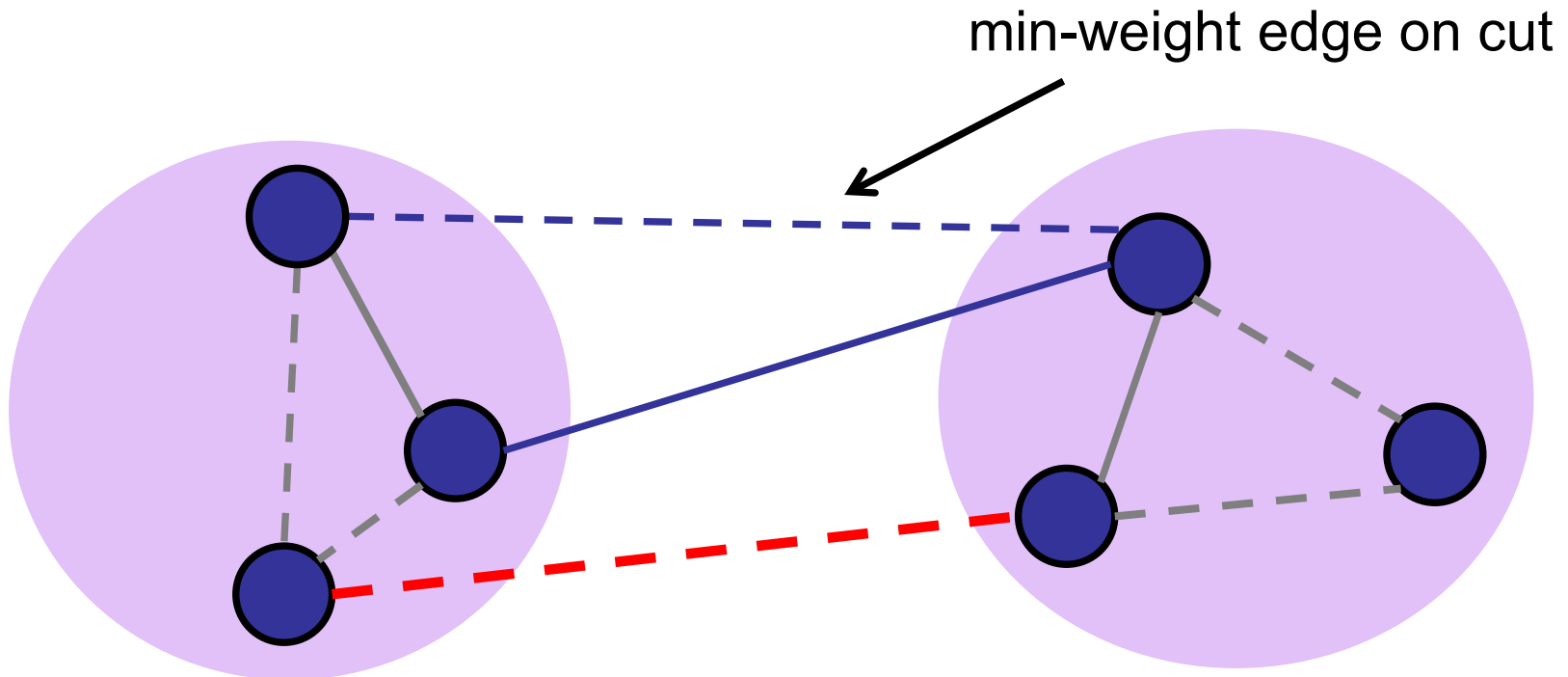
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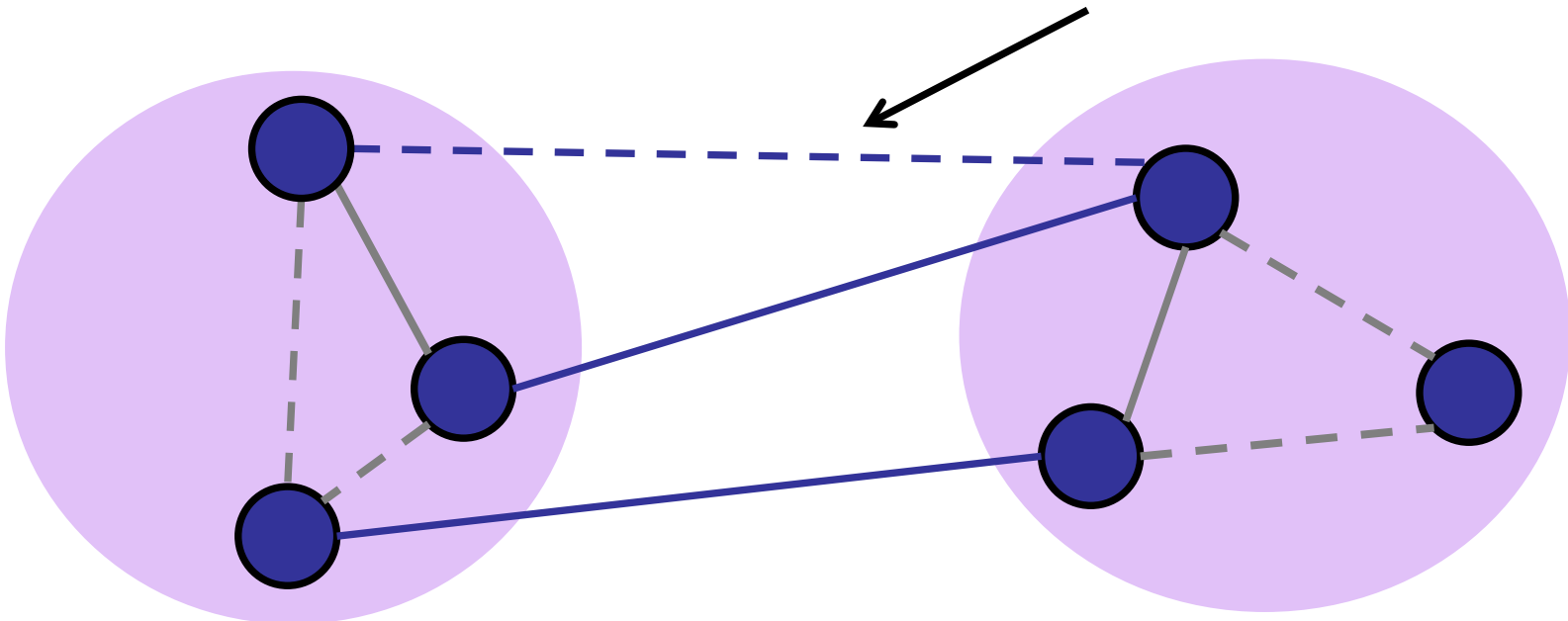
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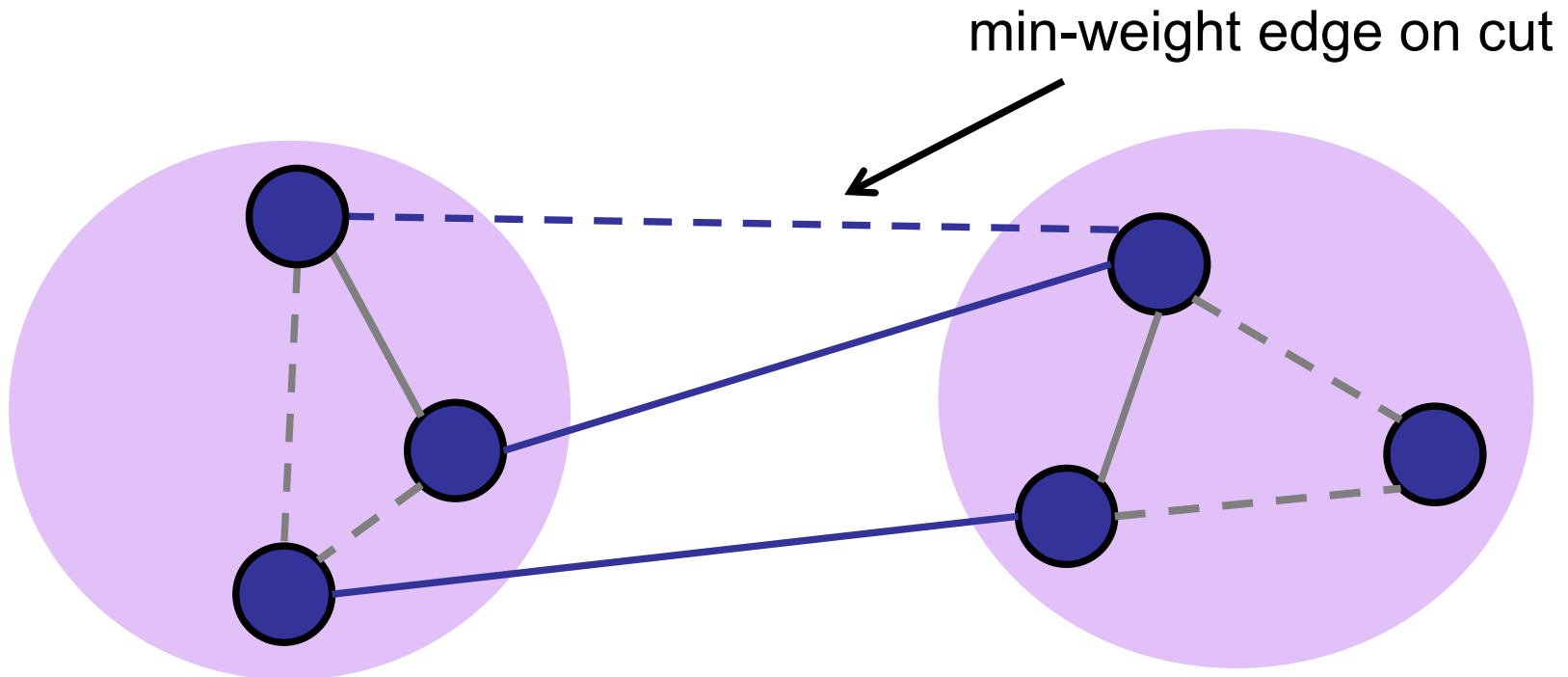
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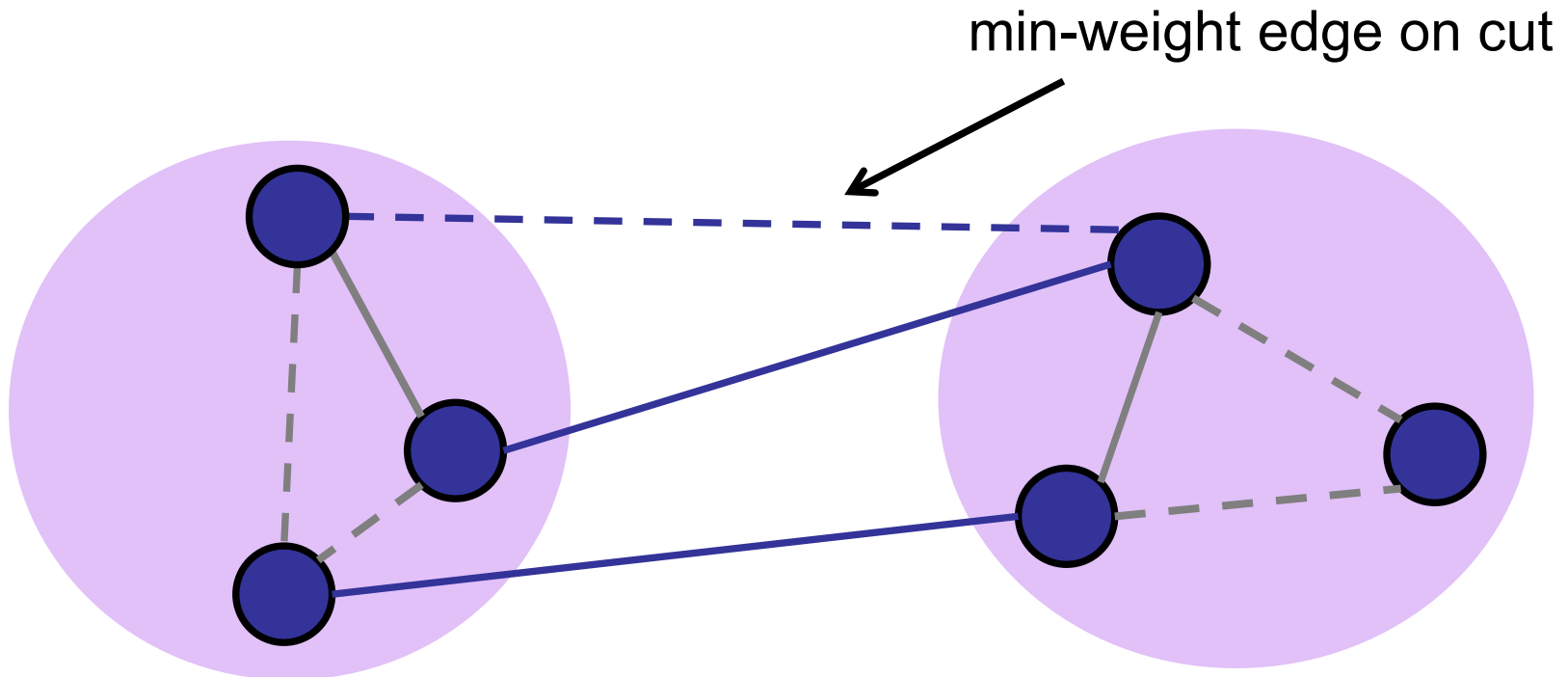
Result: a new spanning tree.



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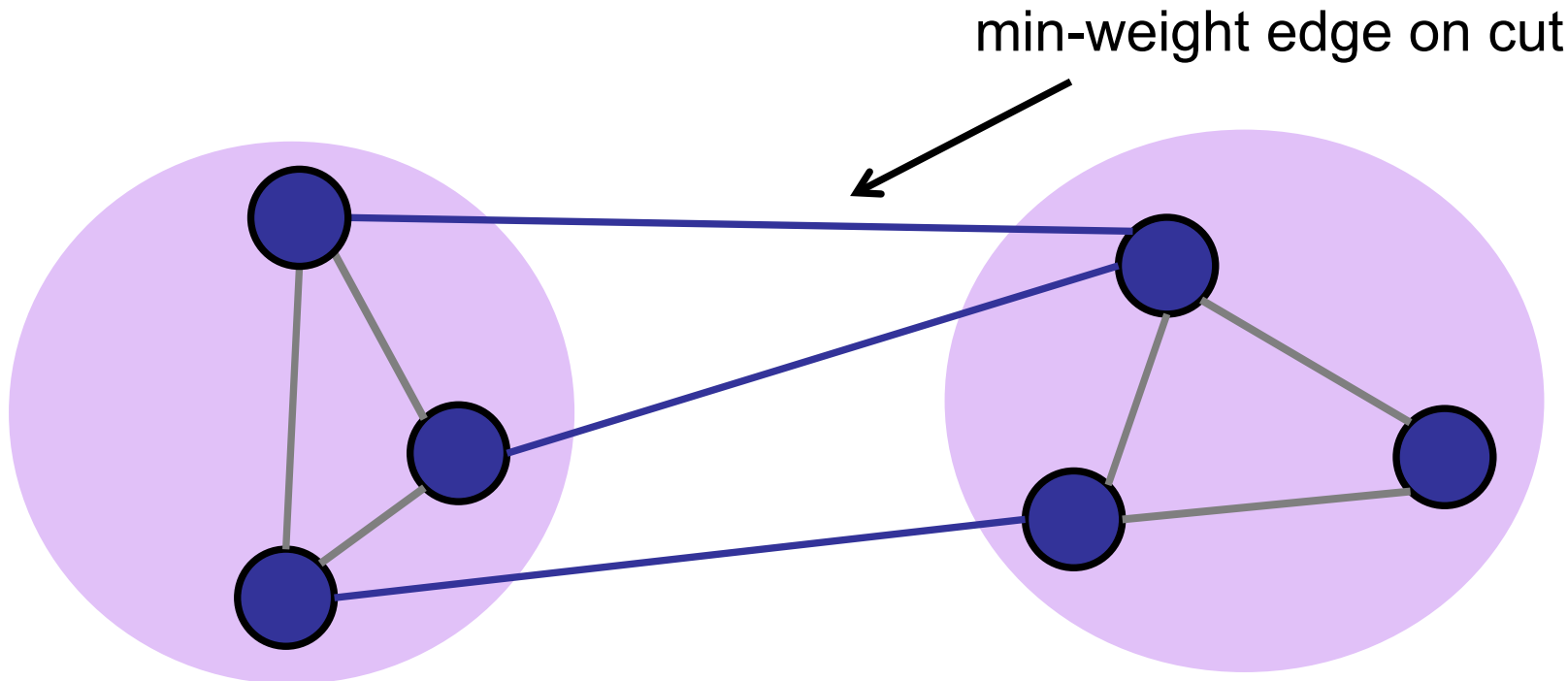
Less weight: replaced heavier edge with lighter edge.



Properties of MST

Property 4: Cut property

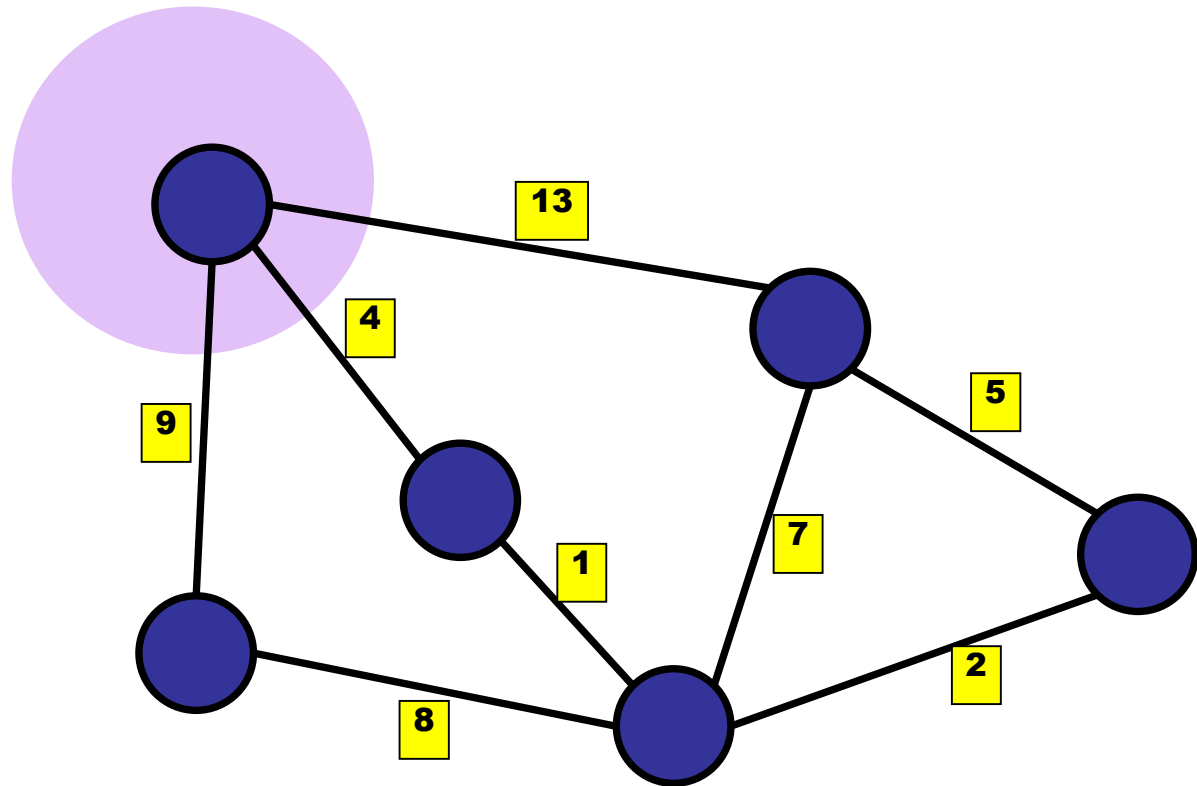
For every partition of the nodes, the minimum weight edge across the cut *is* in the MST.



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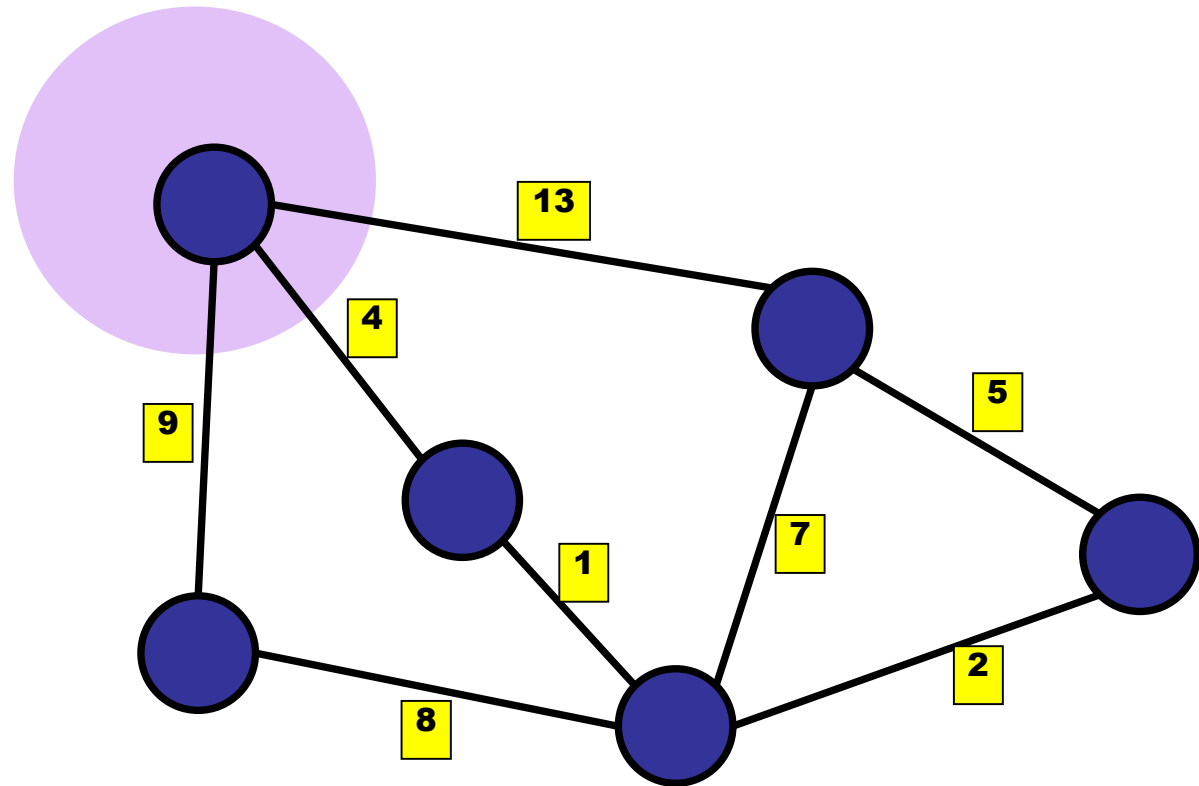
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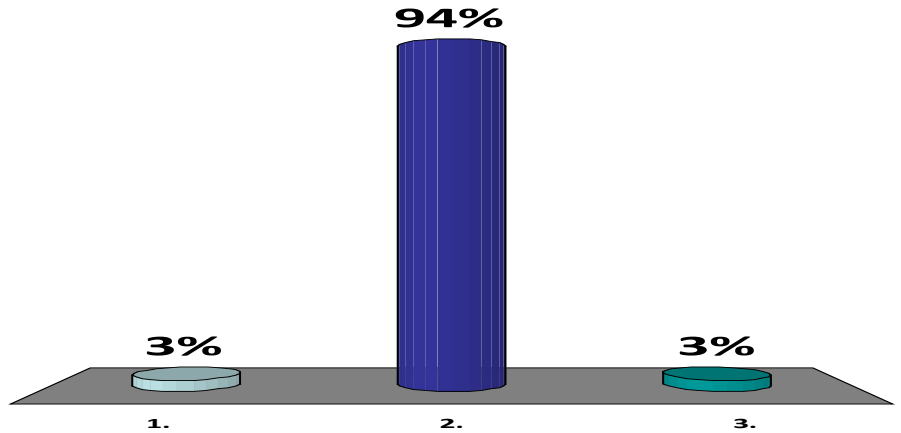
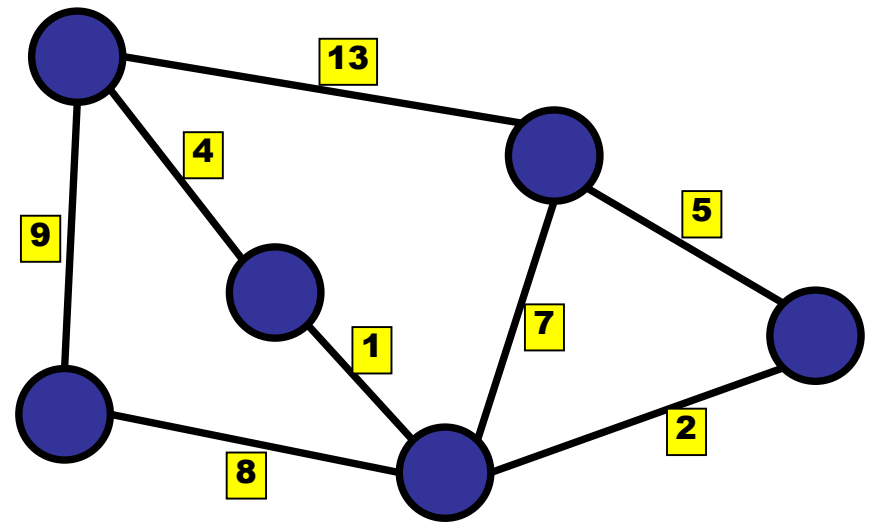
Property 4**b**: Cut property

For every vertex, the minimum outgoing edge is always part of the MST



For every vertex, the maximum outgoing edge is never part of the MST.

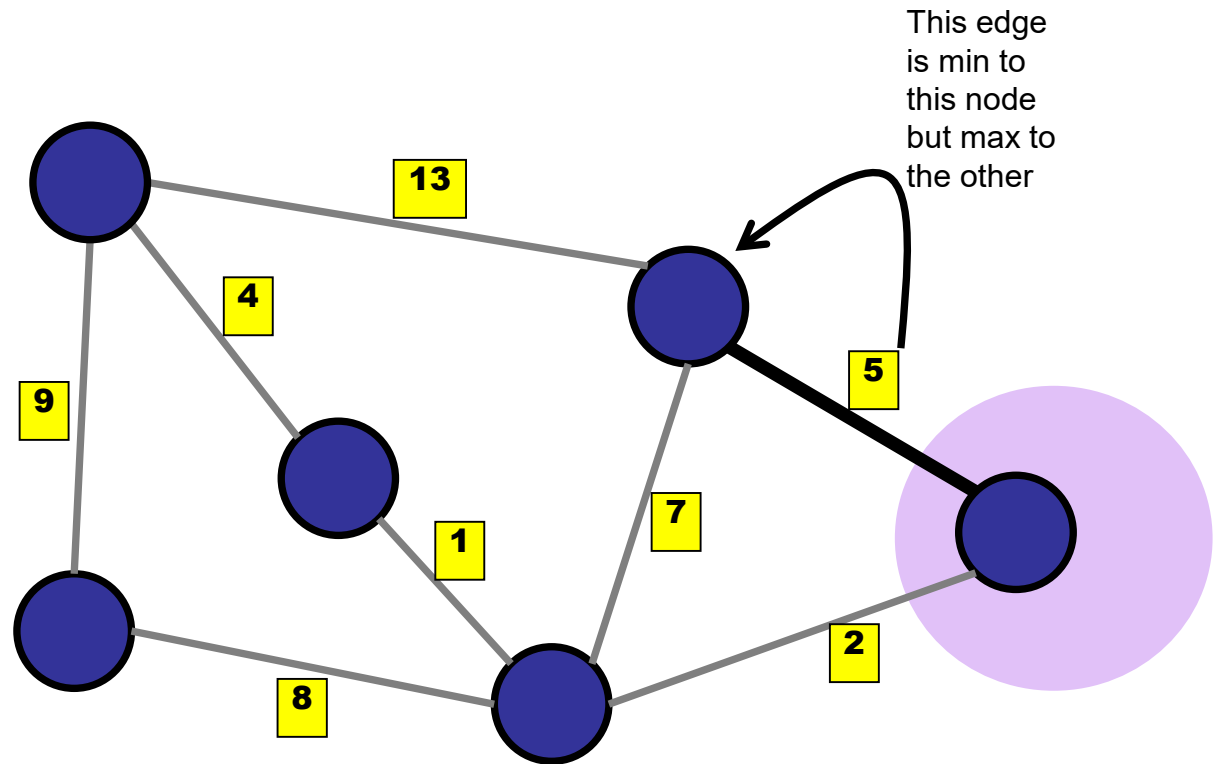
1. True
- ✓ 2. False
3. I don't know.



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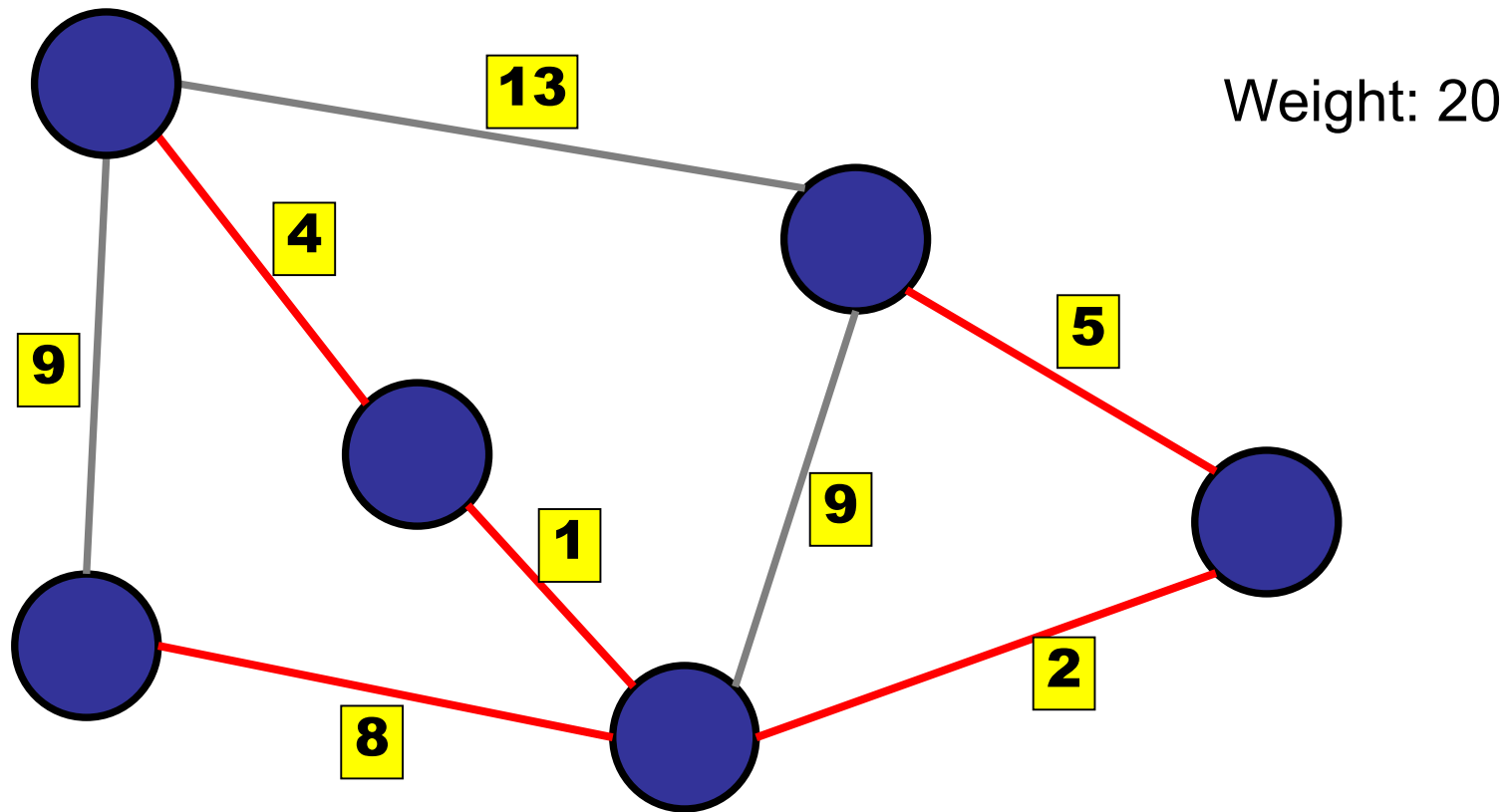
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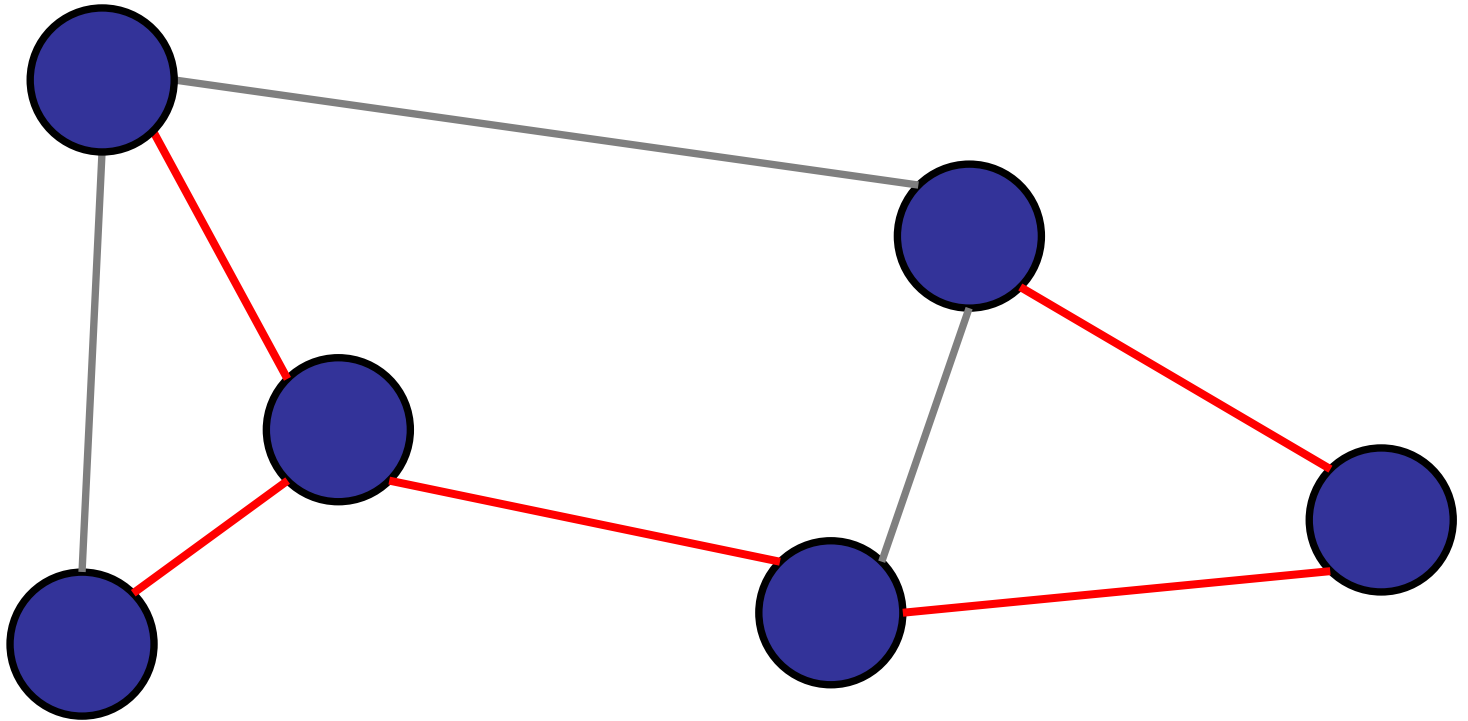
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Definition: a spanning tree with minimum weight



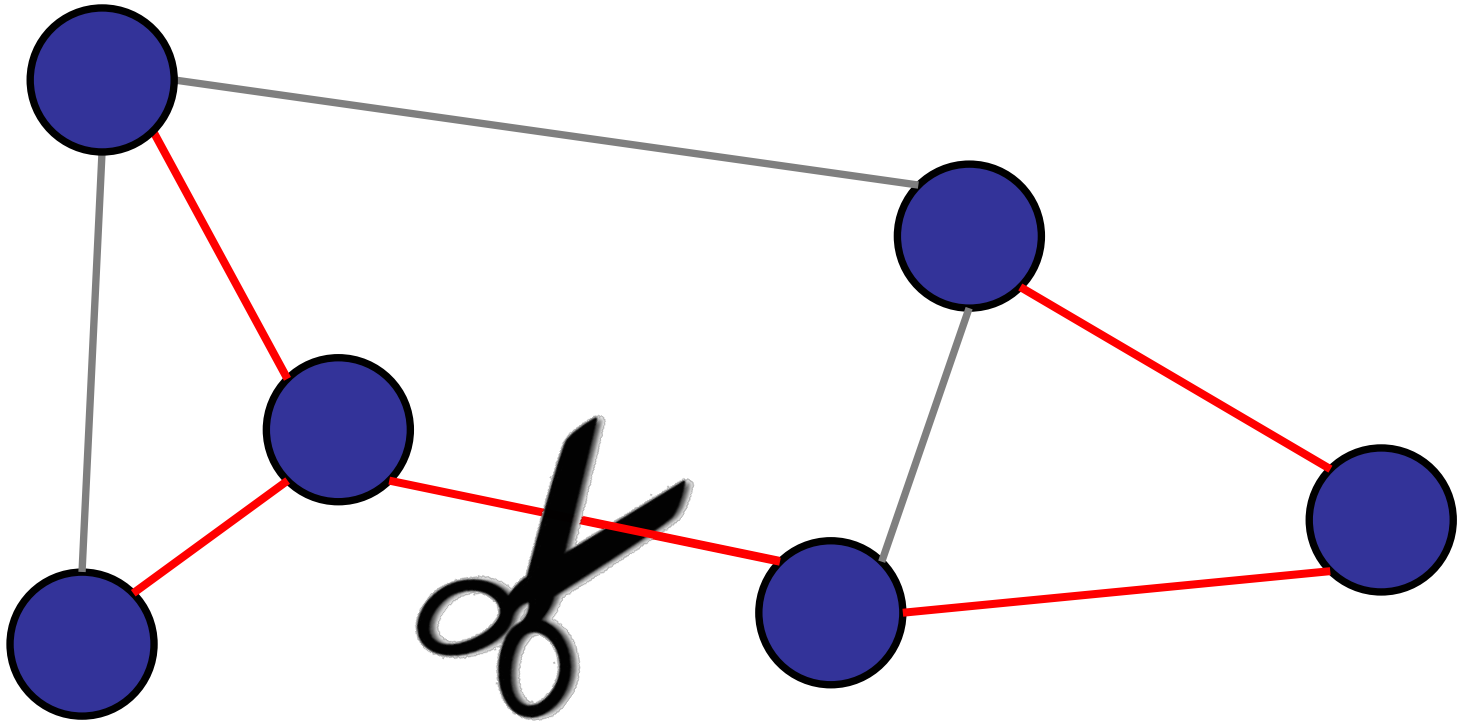
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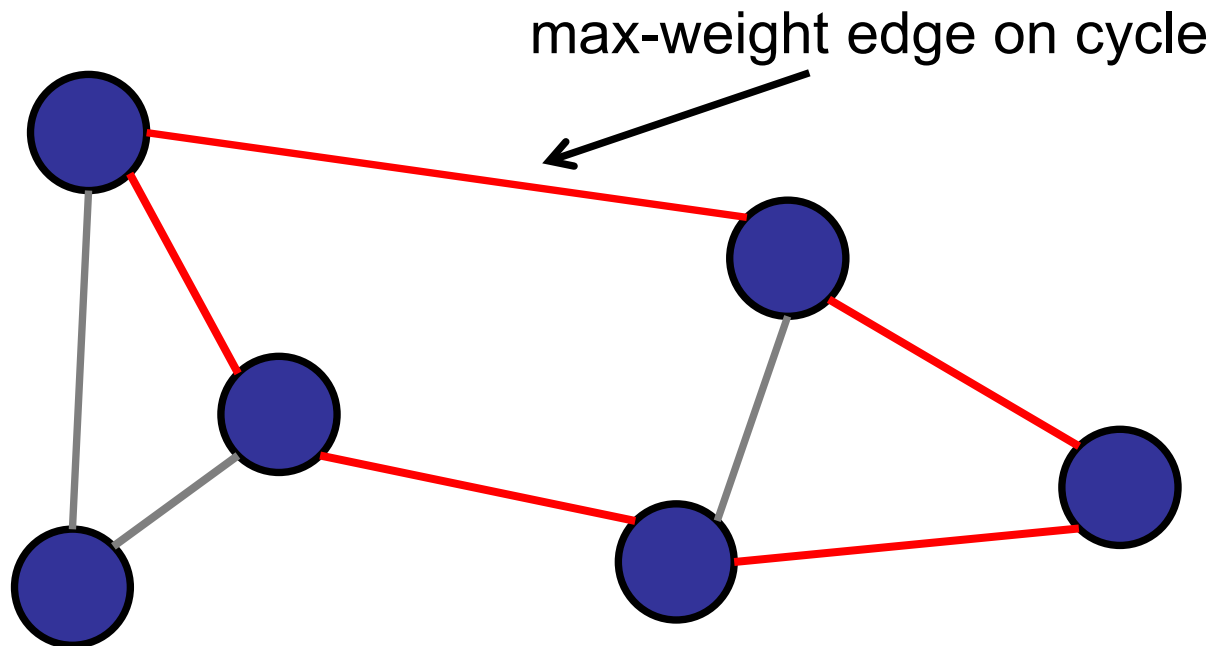
Property 2: If you cut an MST, the two pieces are both MSTs.



Properties of MST

Property 3: Cycle property

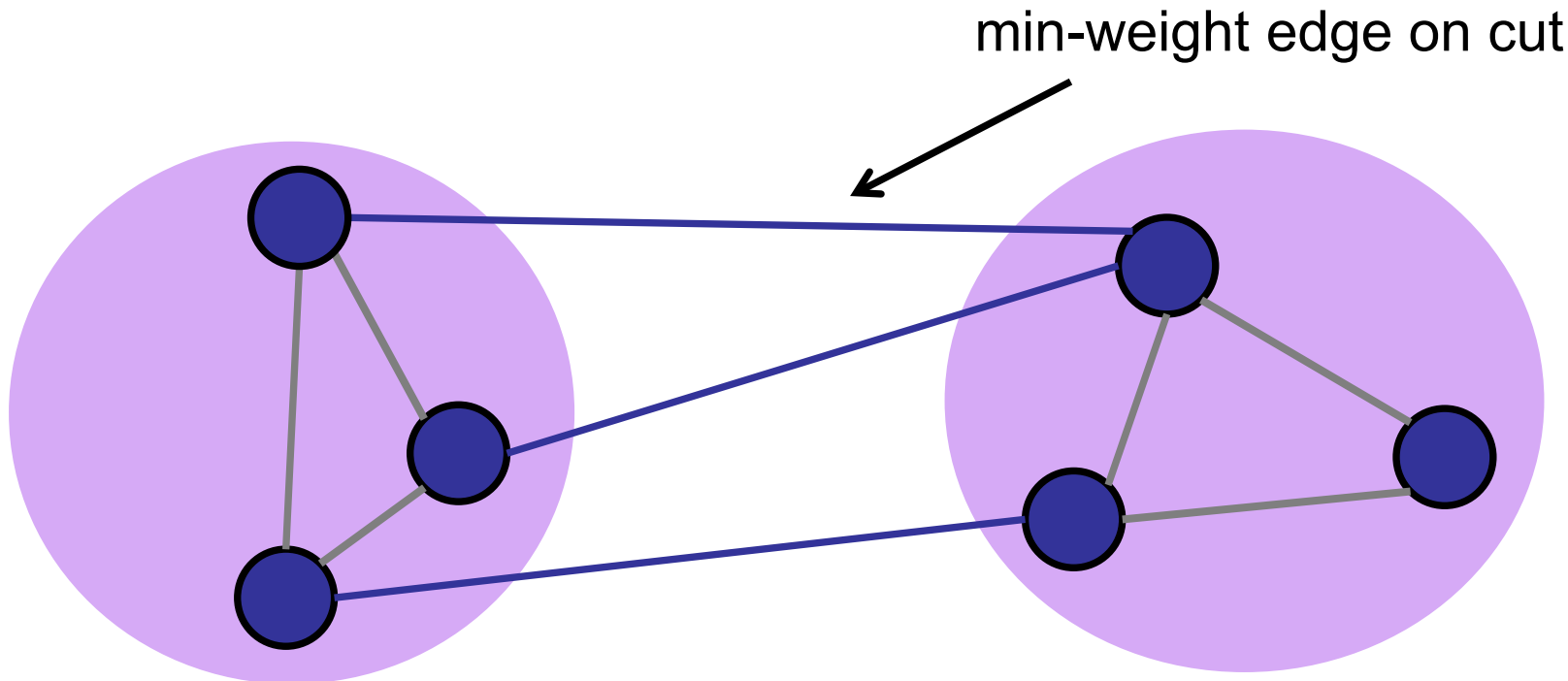
For every cycle, the maximum weight edge is *not* in the MST.



Properties of MST

Property 4: Cut property

For every cut D , the minimum weight edge that crosses the cut *is* in the MST.



Property of MST

- No cycles
- If you cut an MST, the two pieces are both MSTs.
- Cycle property
 - For every cycle, the maximum weight edge is not in the MST.
- Cut property
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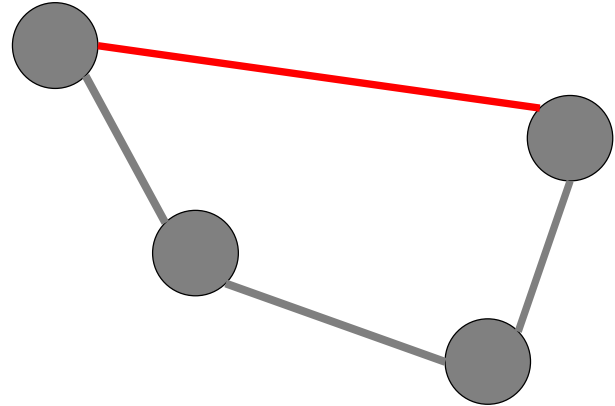
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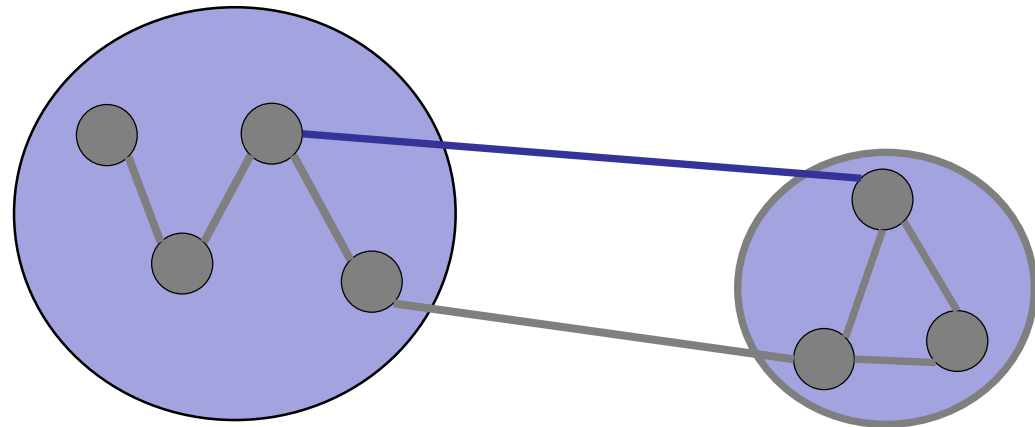
Red rule: (Property 3)

If C is a cycle with no red arcs, then color the max-weight edge in C red.



Blue rule: (Property 4)

If D is a cut with no blue arcs, then color the min-weight edge in D blue.



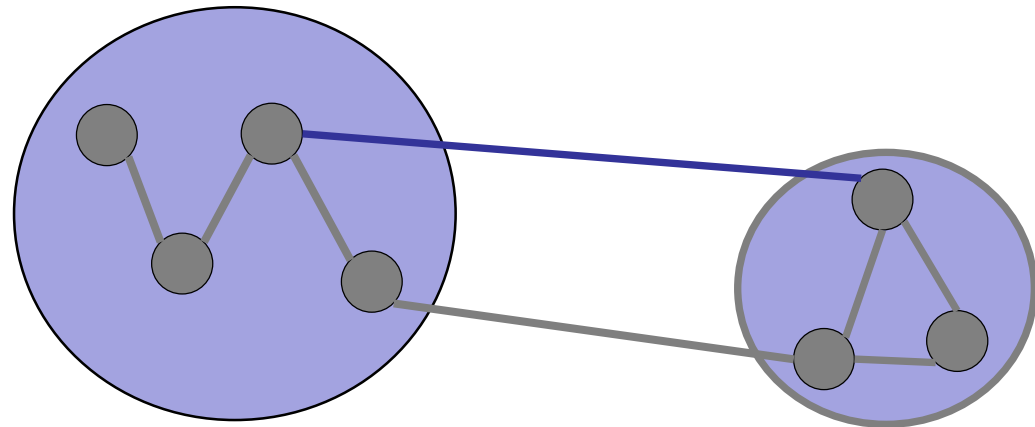
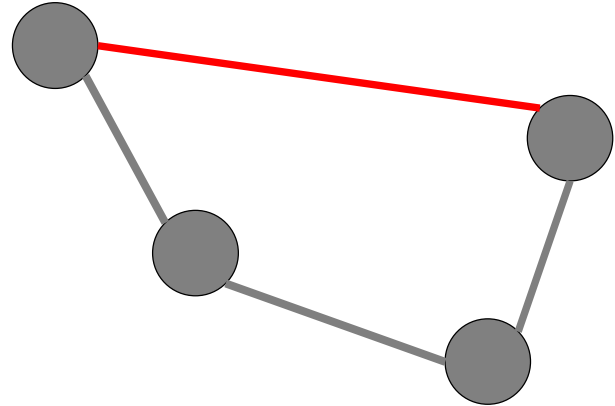
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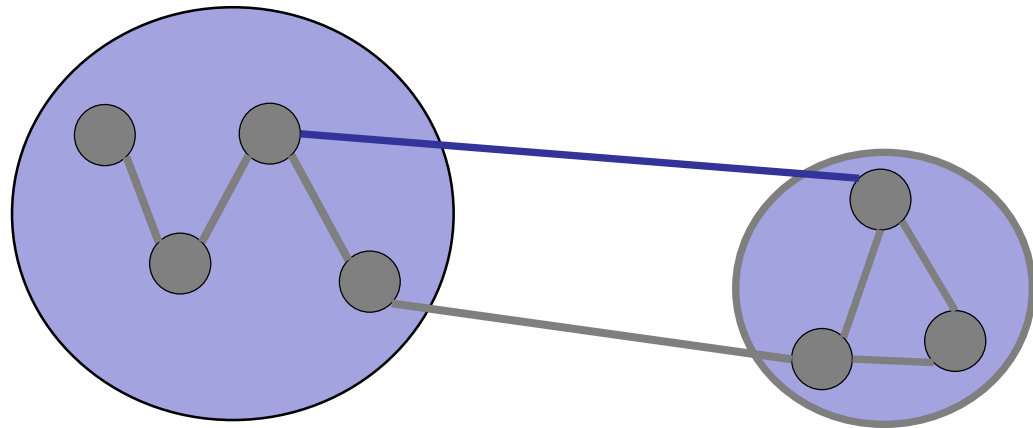
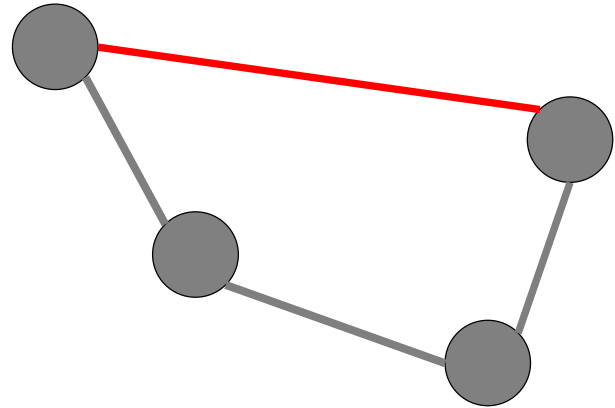
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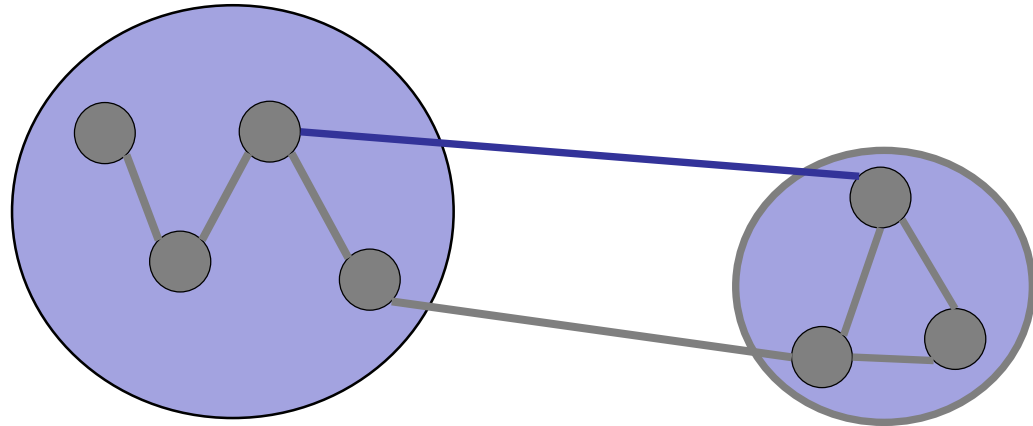
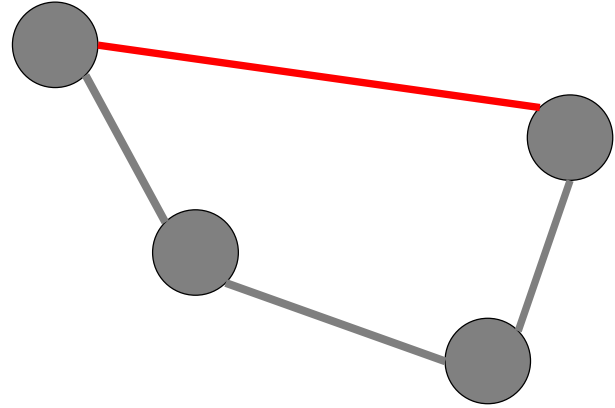


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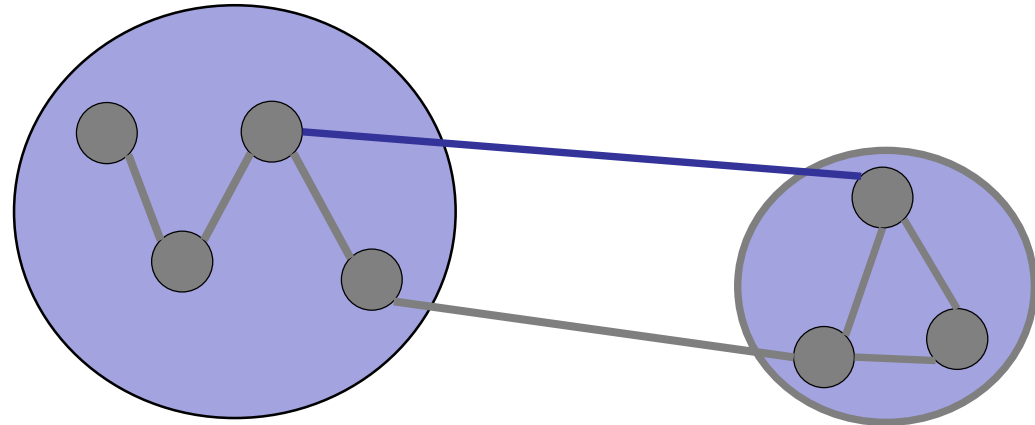
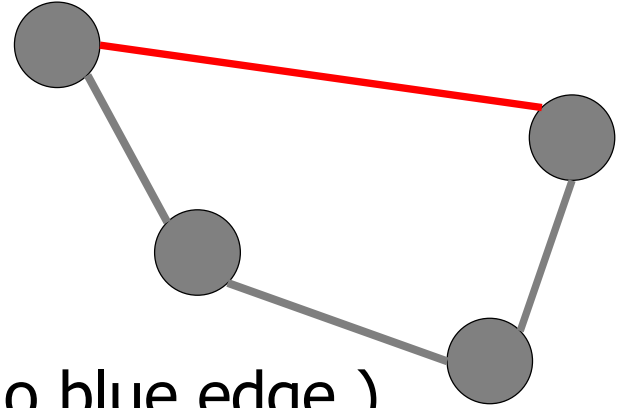


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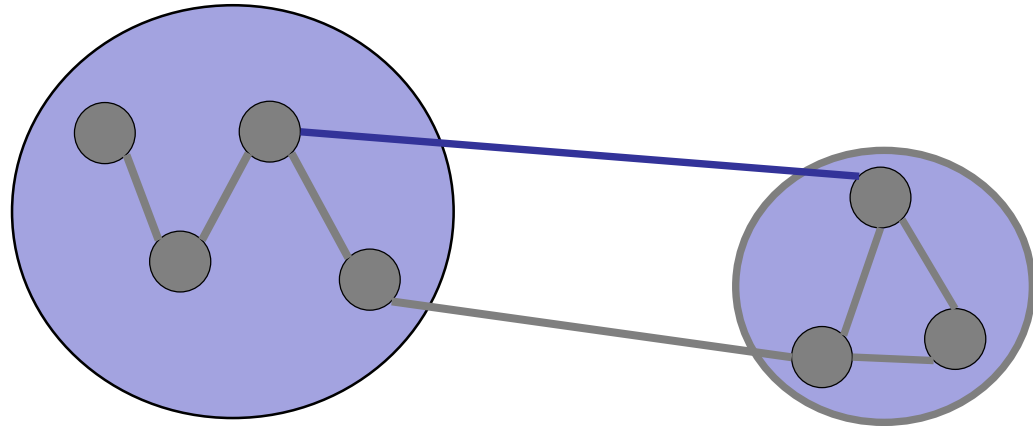
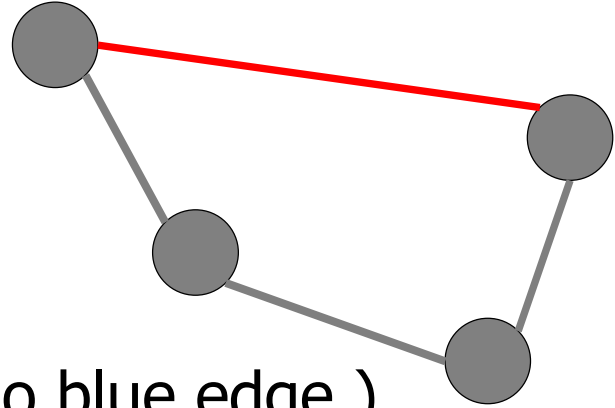


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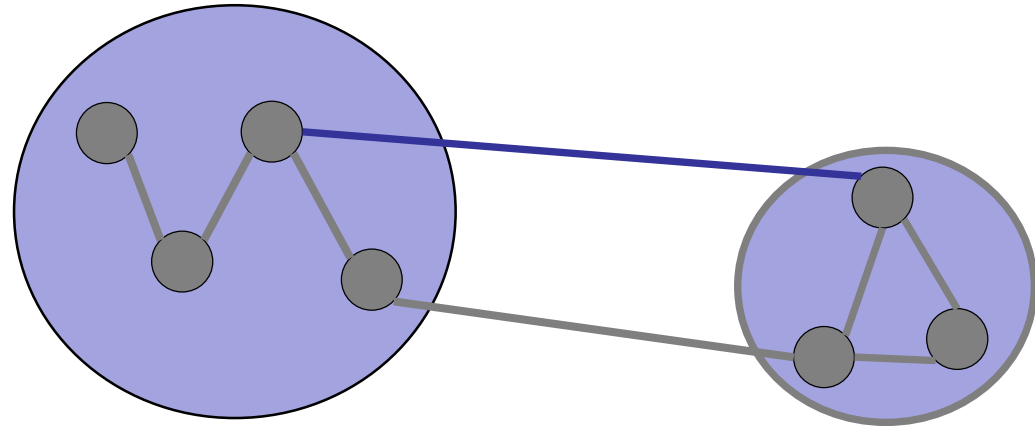
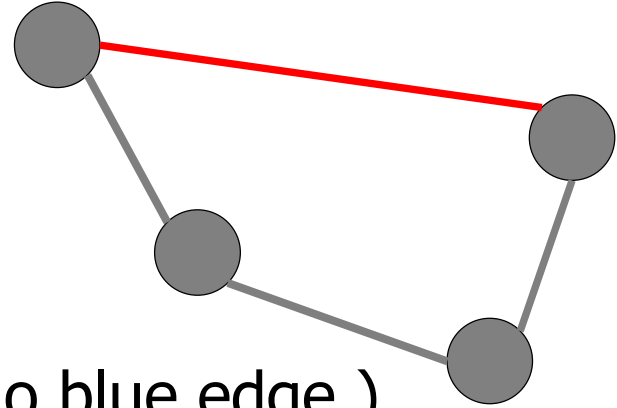


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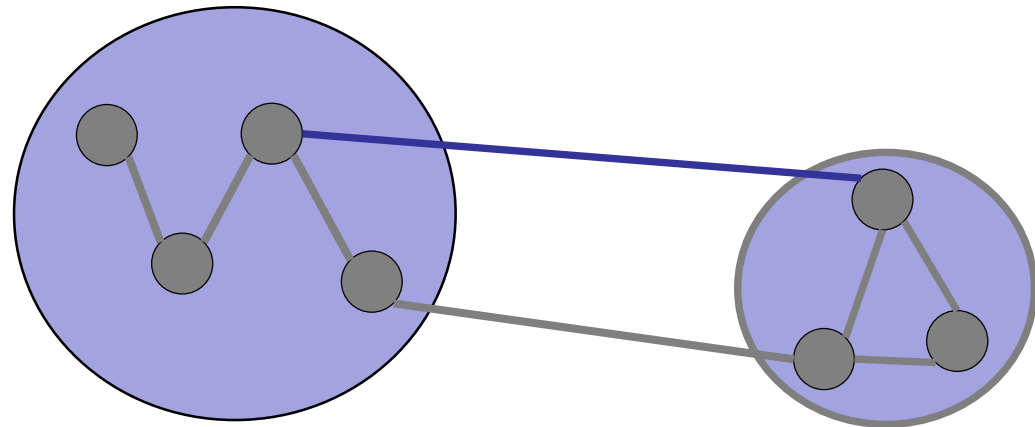
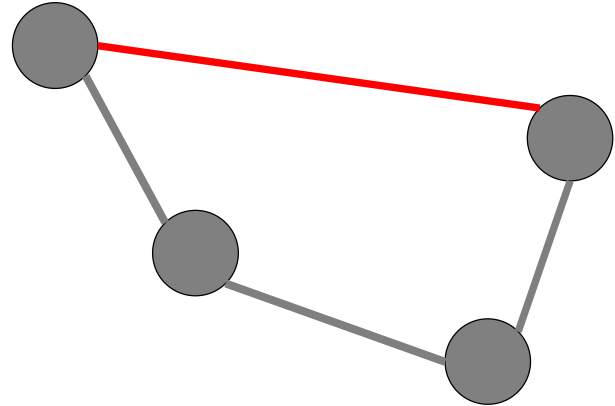
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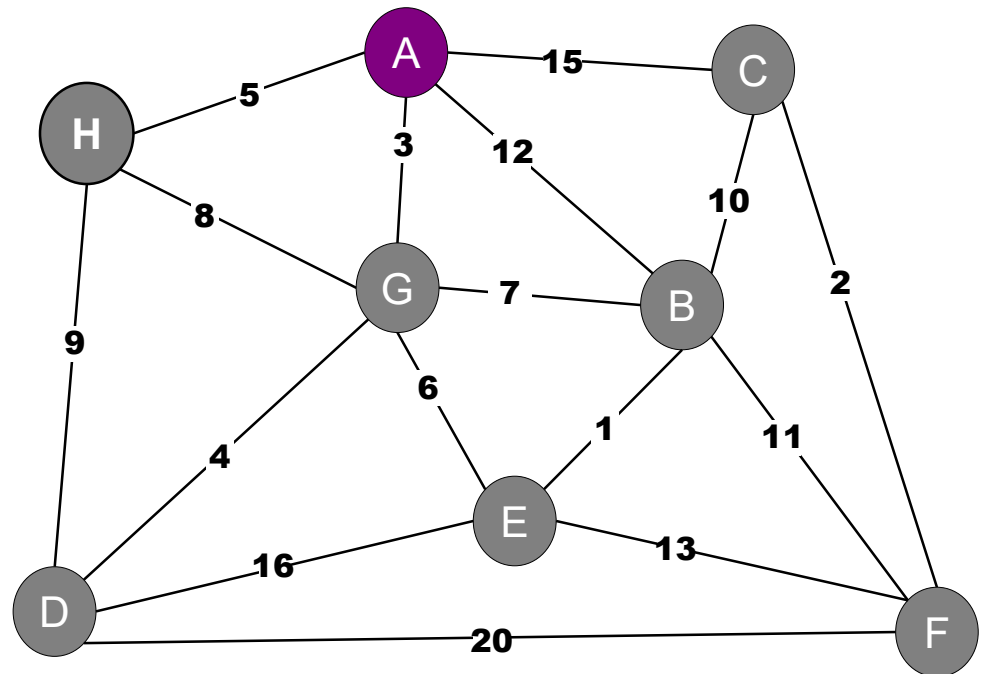
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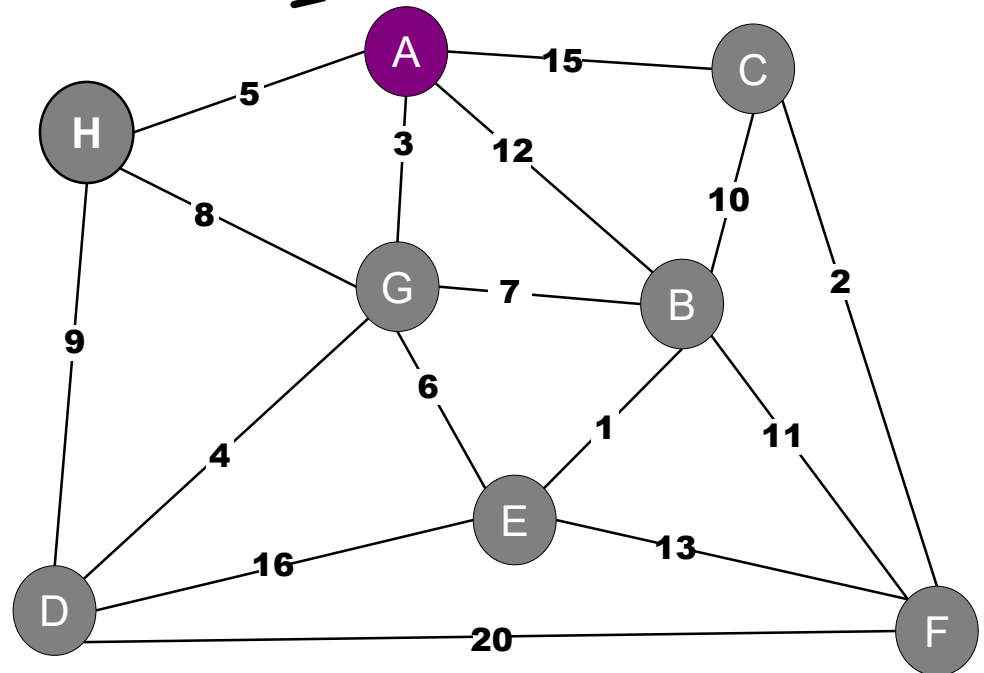


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Basic idea:

- S : set of nodes connected by blue edges. (An MST of a subgraph S)
- Initially: $S = \{A\}$

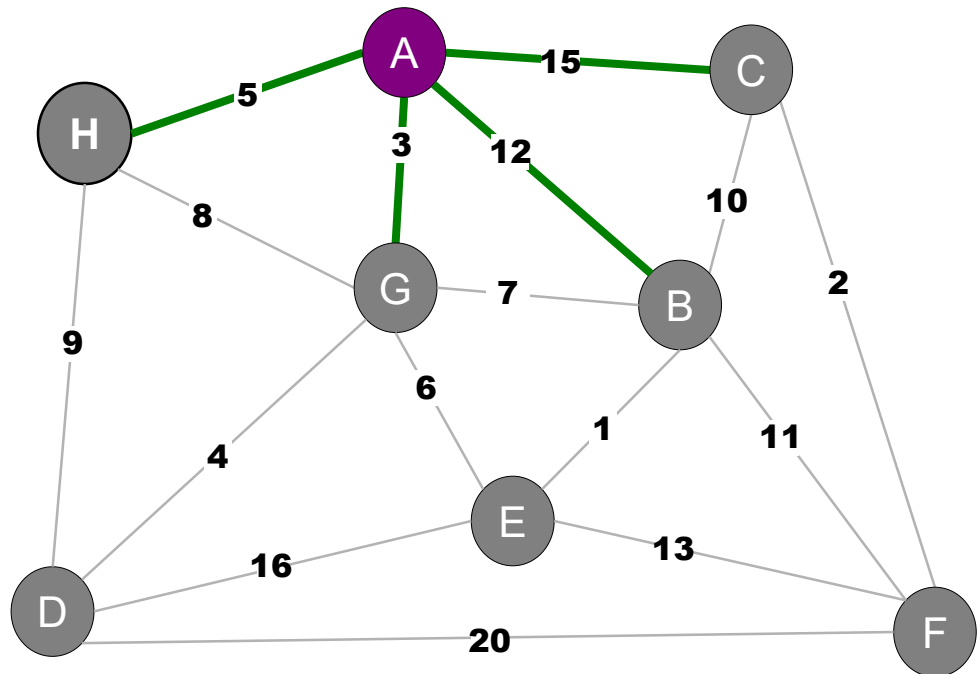


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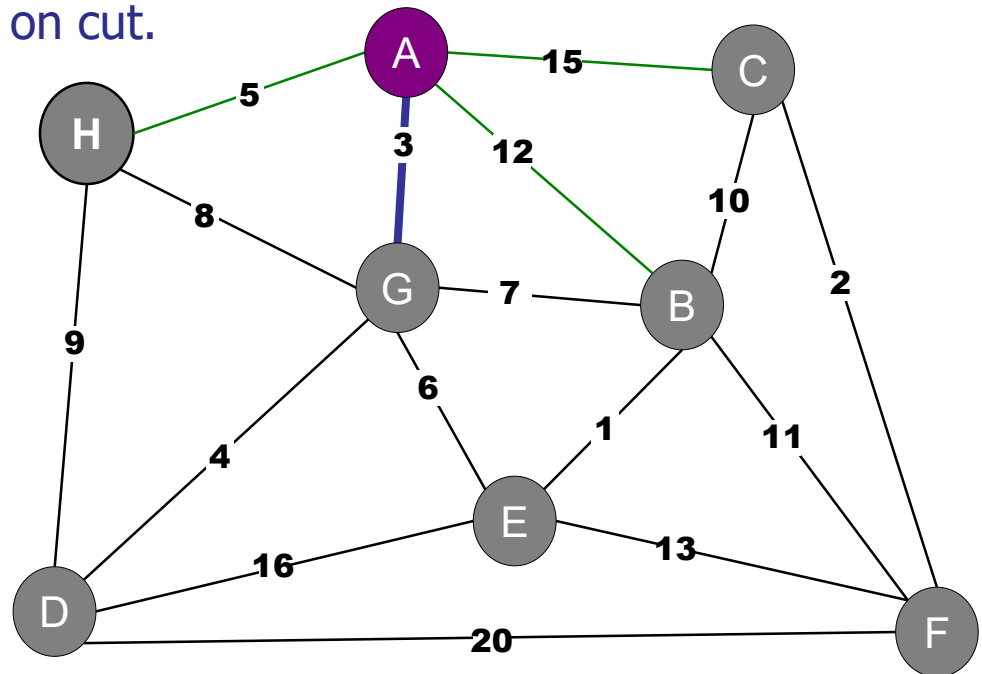


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- Find minimum weight edge on cut.

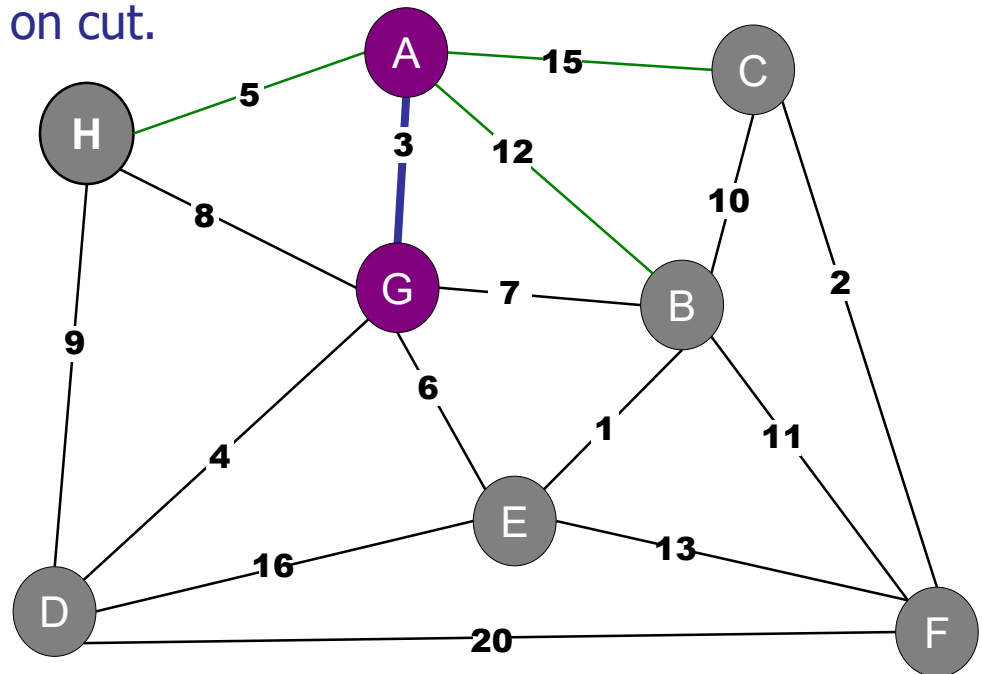


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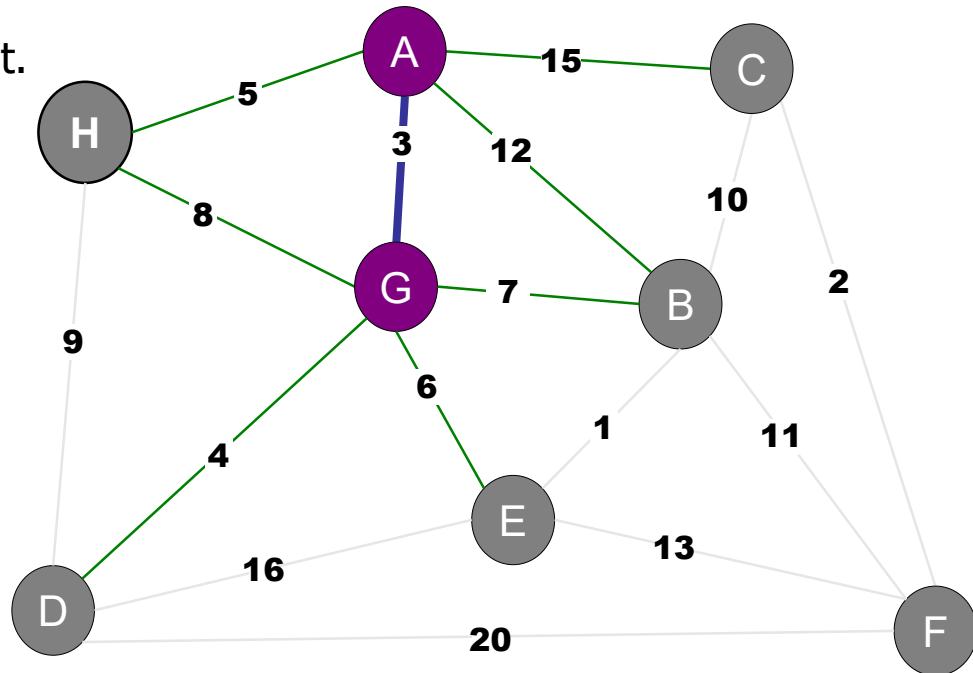


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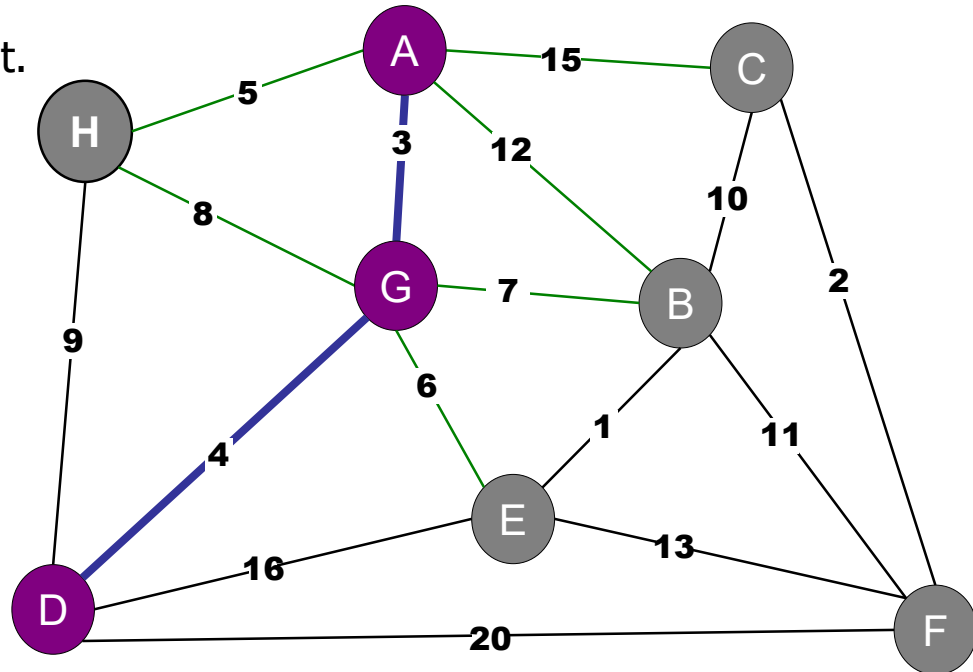


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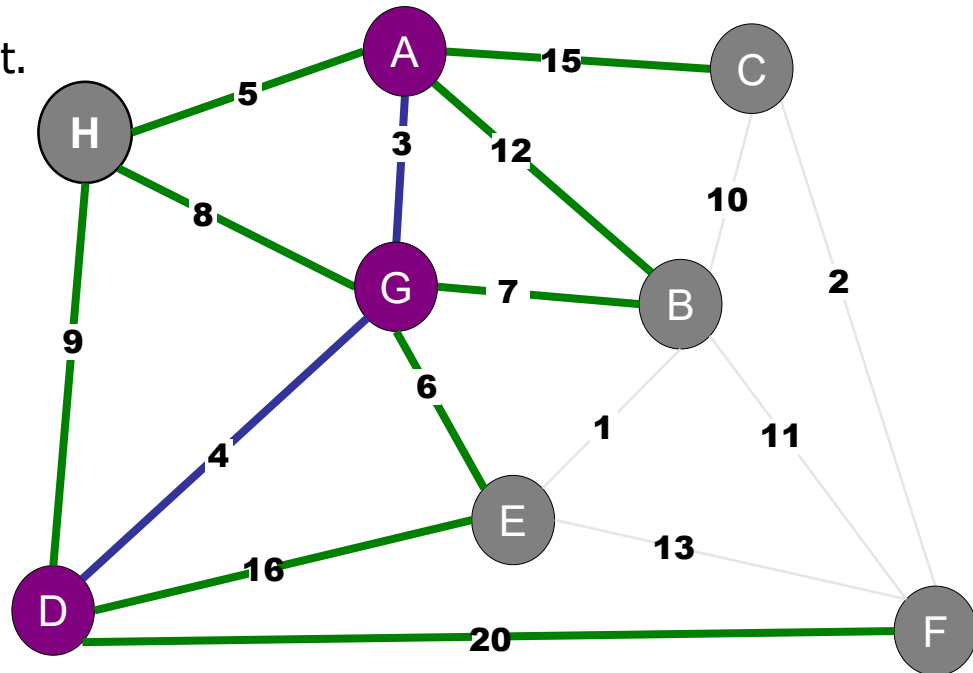


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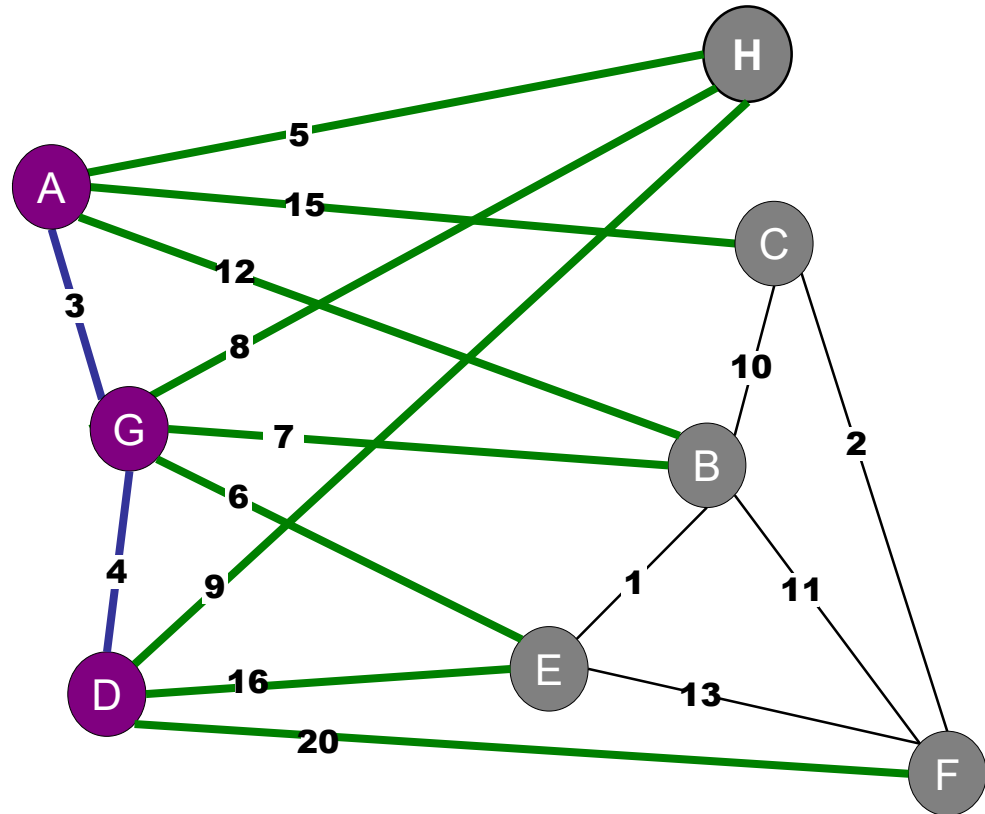
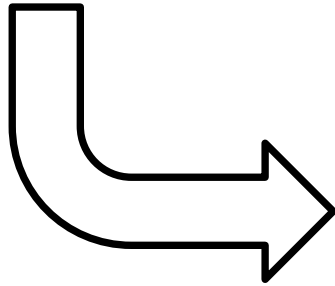
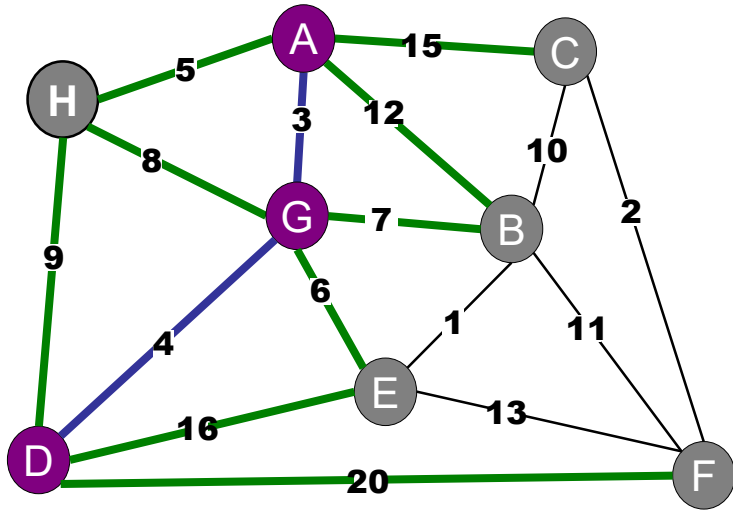
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Prim's Algorithm



Prim's Algorithm: Initialization

// Initialize priority queue

```
PriorityQueue pq = new PriorityQueue();  
for (Node v : G.V()) {  
    pq.insert(v, INFTY);  
}
```

```
pq.decreaseKey(start, 0);
```

// Initialize set S

```
HashSet<Node> S = new HashSet<Node>();  
S.put(start);
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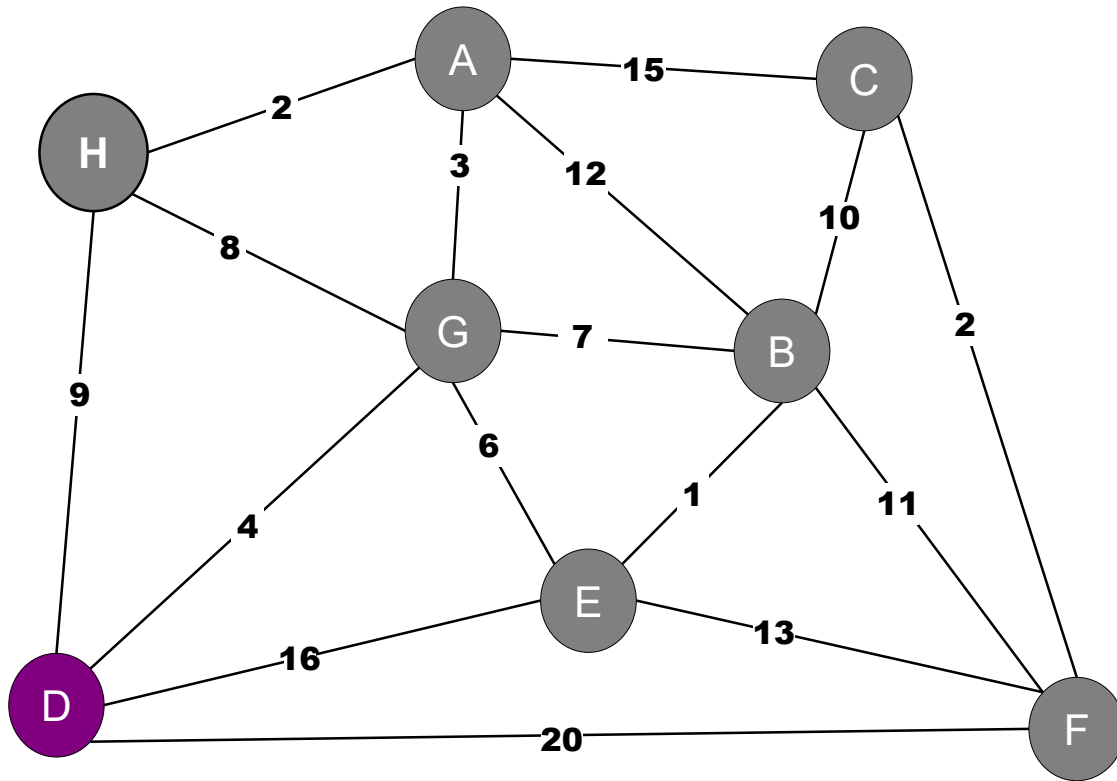
// Initialize parent hash table

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HashMap<Node, Node> parent = new HashMap<Node, Node>();  
parent.put(start, null);
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Prim's Algorithm

```
while (!pq.isEmpty()) {  
    Node v = pq.deleteMin();  
    S.put(v);  
    for each (Edge e : v.edgeList()) {  
        Node w = e.otherNode(v);  
        if (!S.get(w)) {  
            pq.decreaseKey(w, e.getWeight());  
            parent.put(w, v);  
        }  
    }  
}
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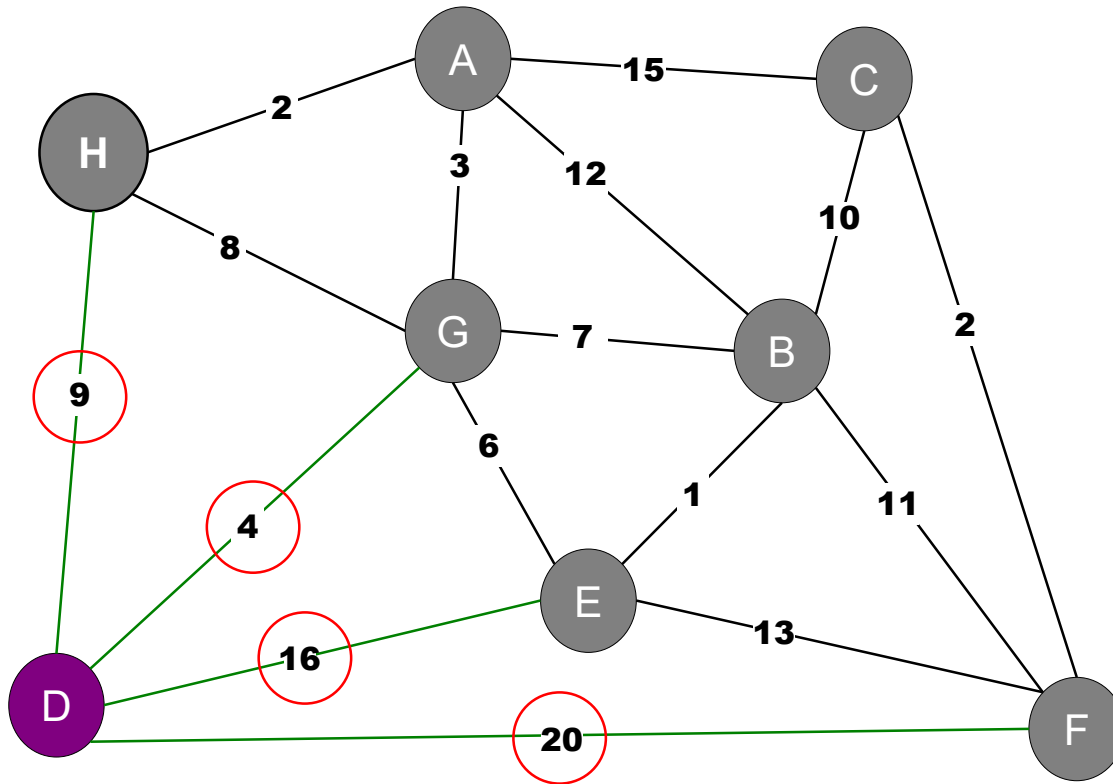
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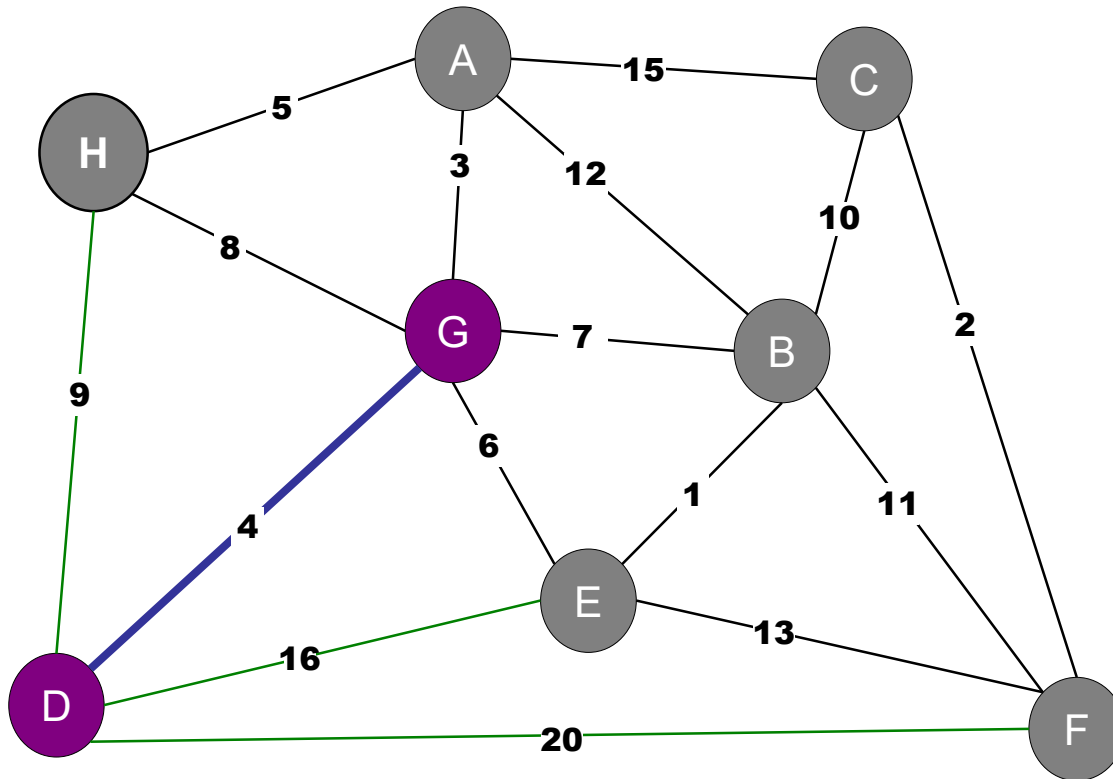
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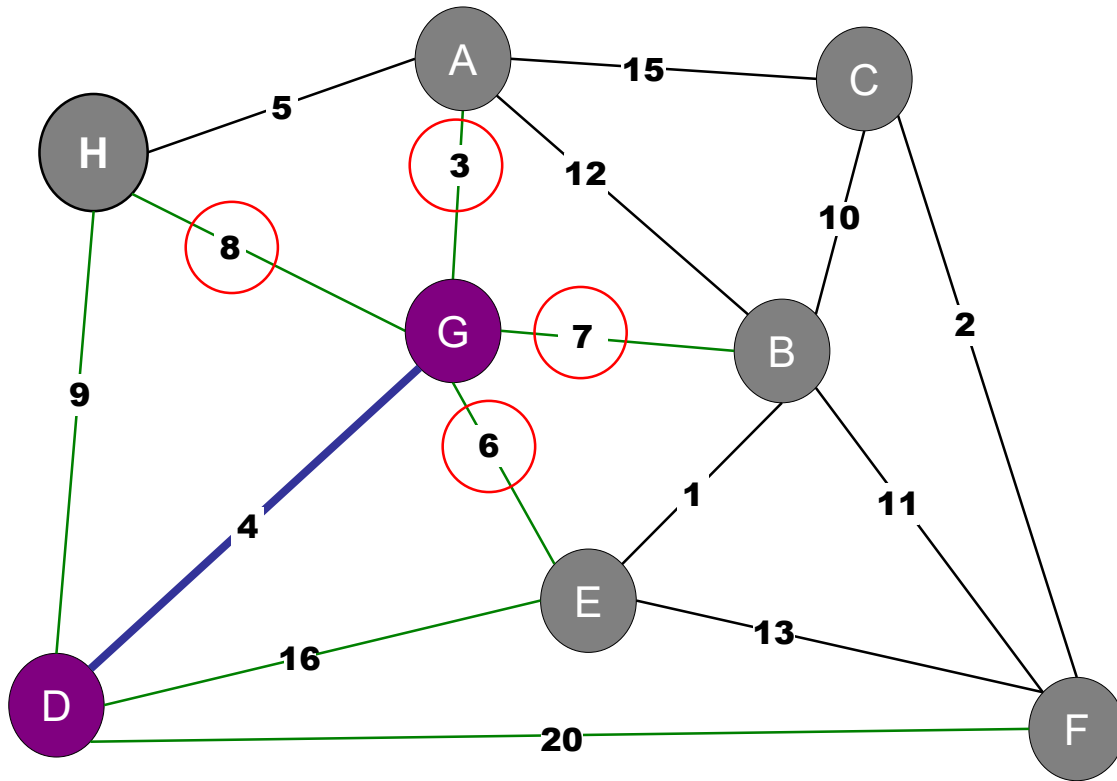


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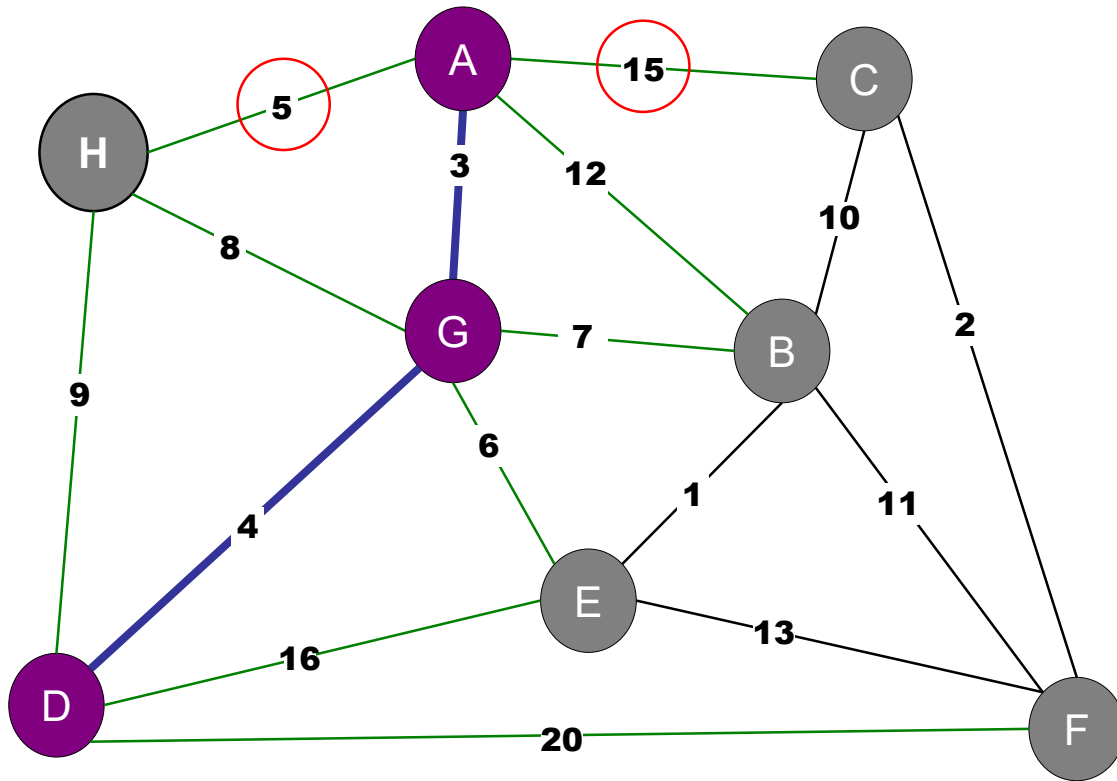


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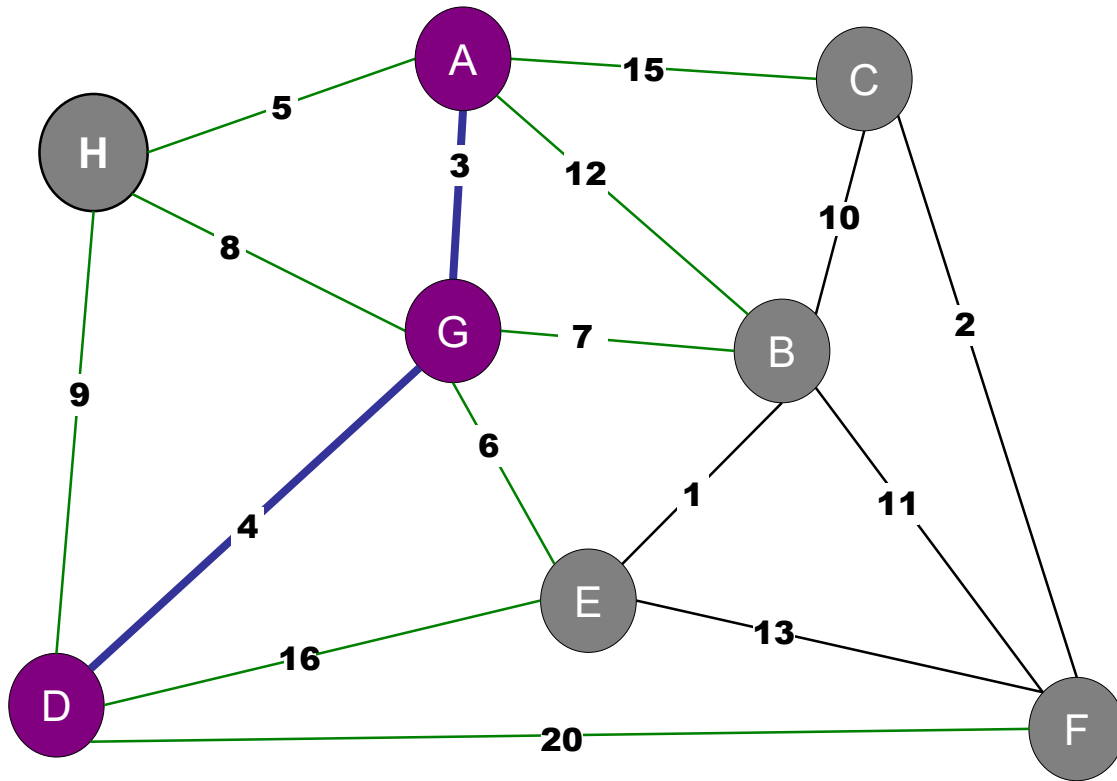
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E	16->6
B	7
H	9->8
F	20

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Vertex	Weight
H	8->5
E	6
B	7
C	15
F	20

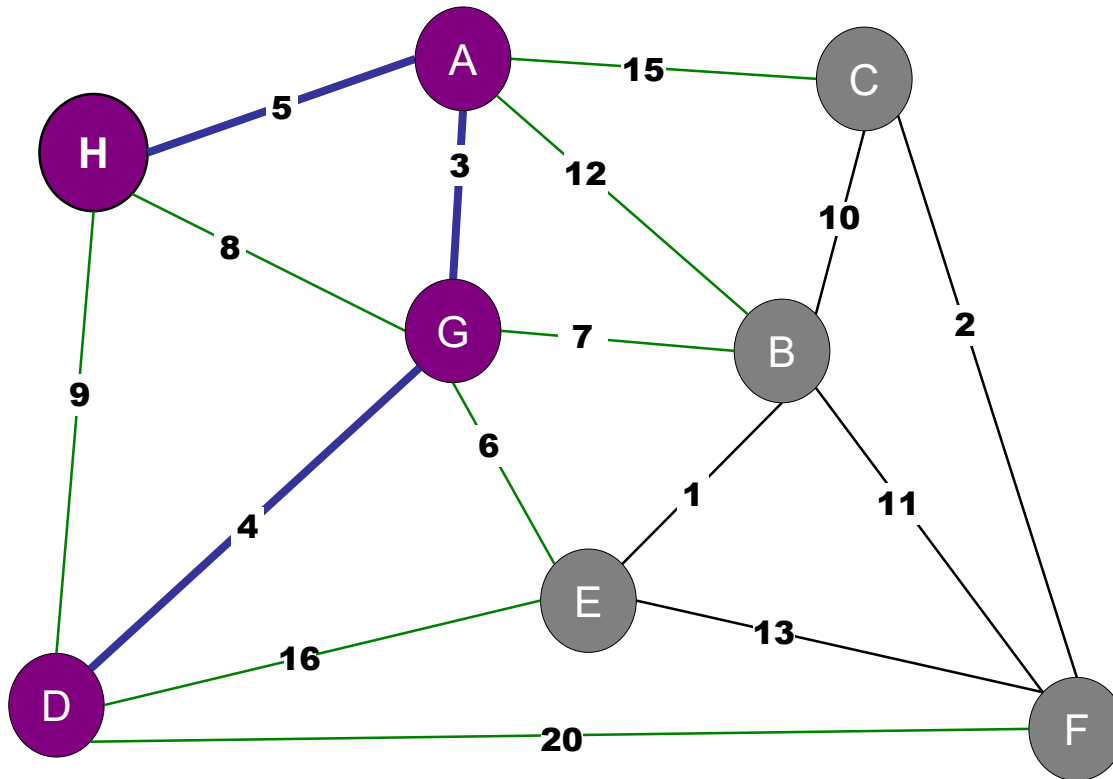
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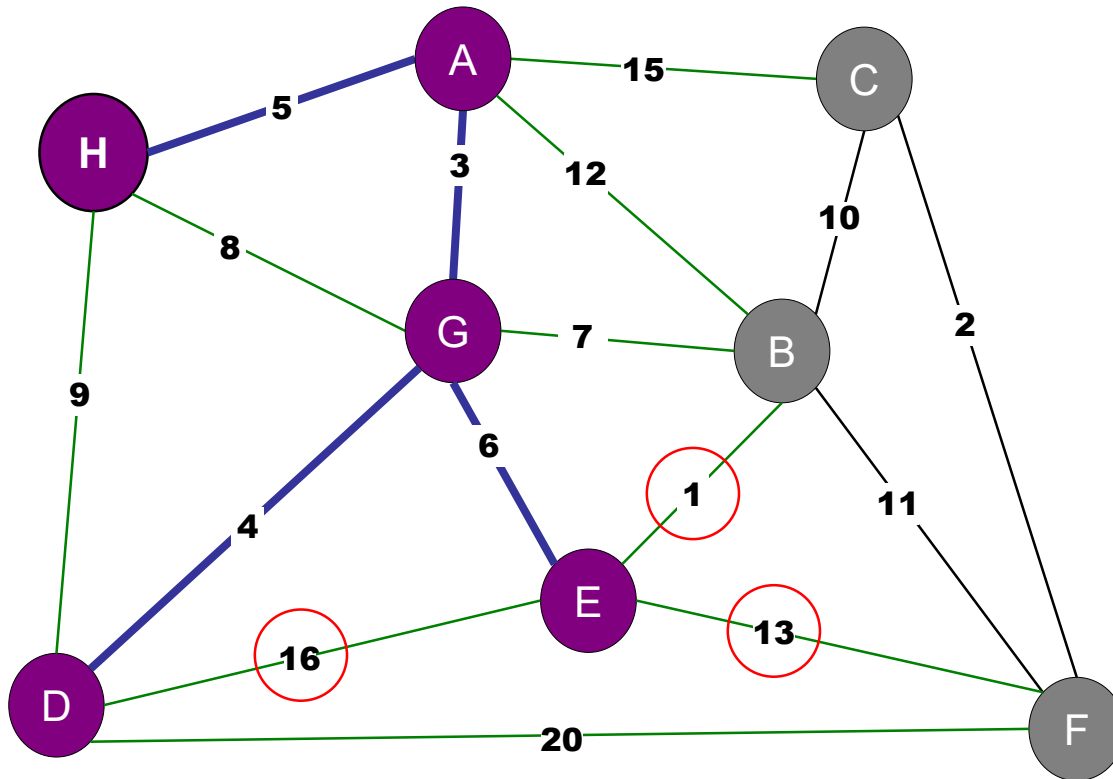
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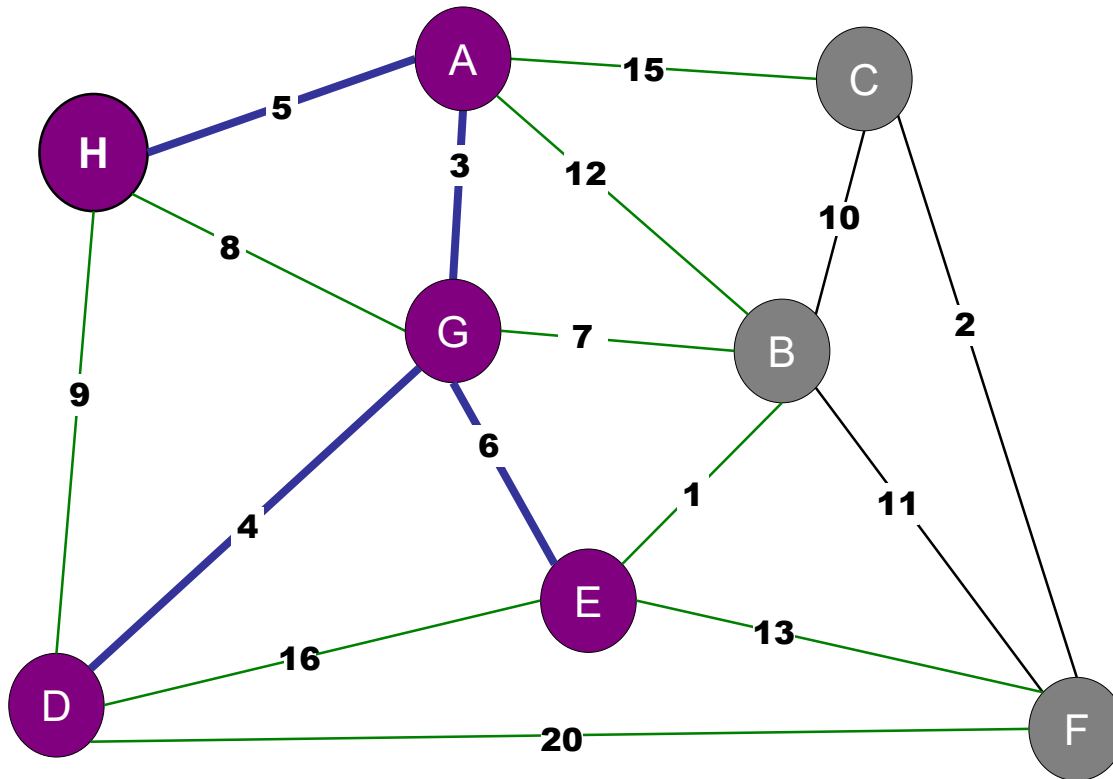
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B	7->1
C	15
F	20->13



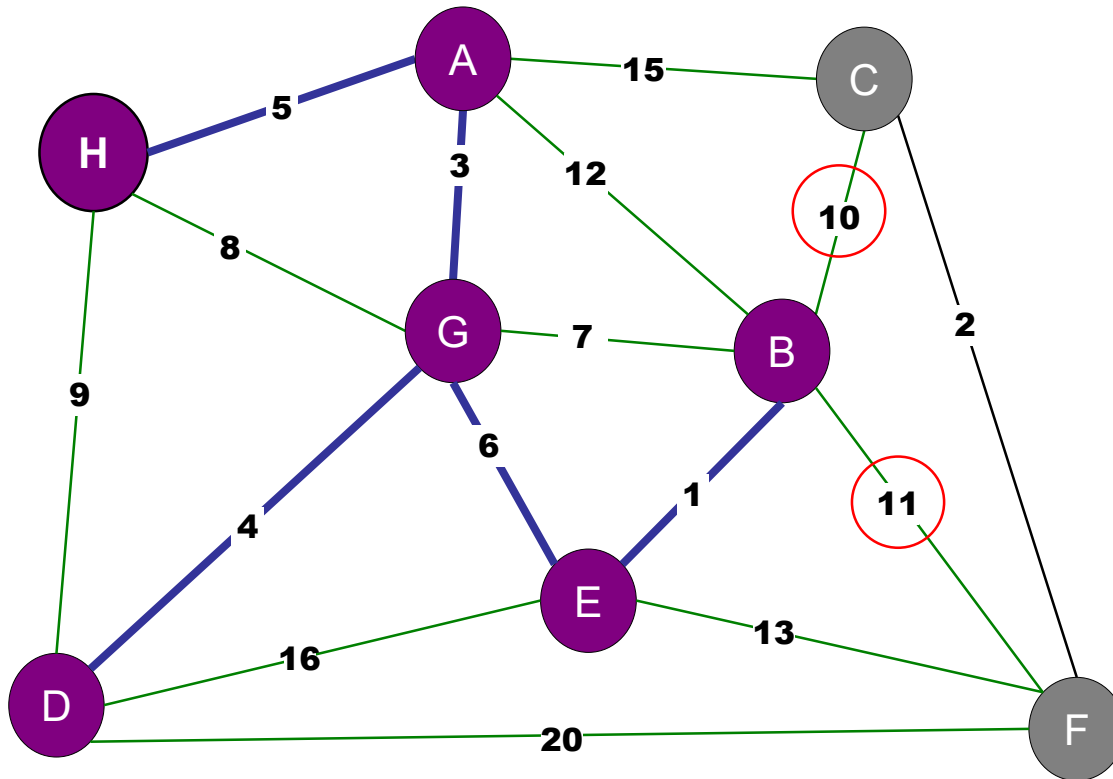
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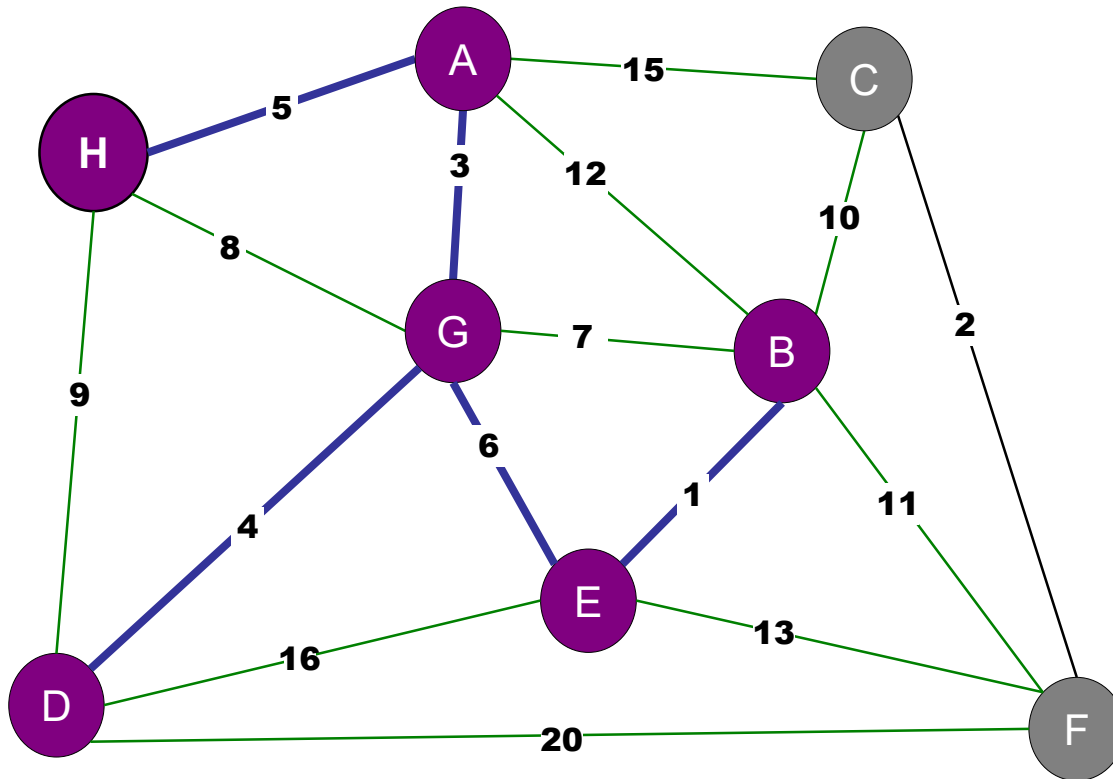
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Vertex	Weight
C	15->10
F	13->11



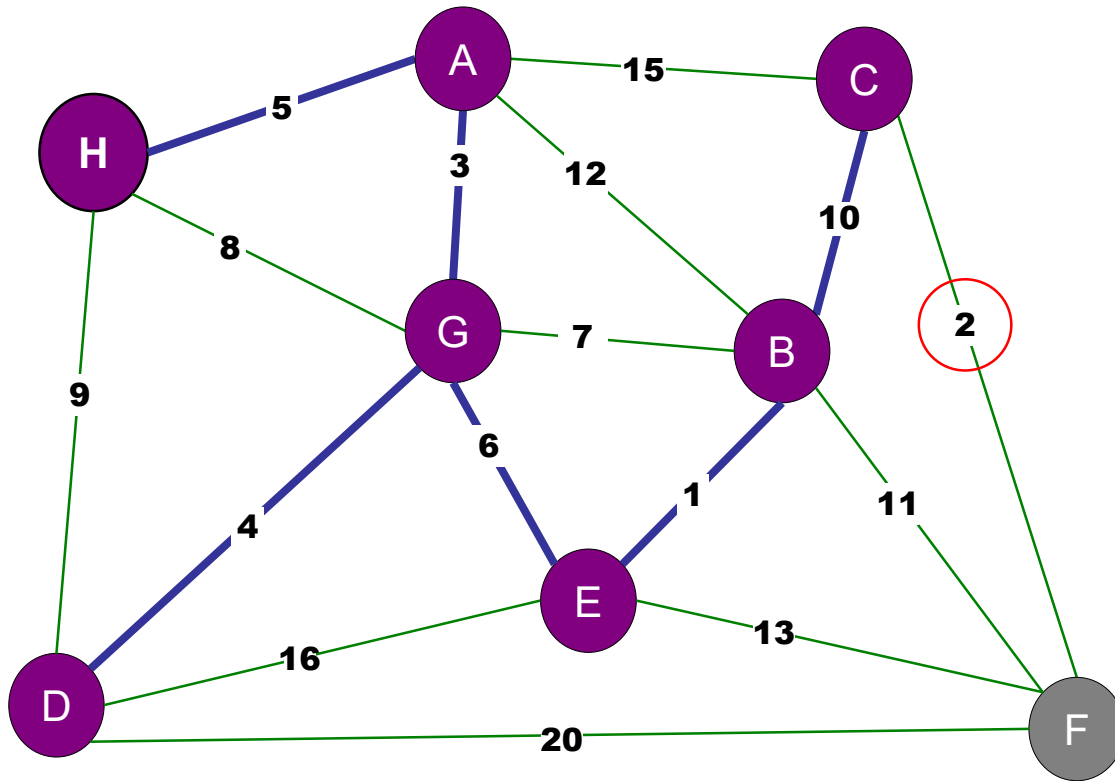
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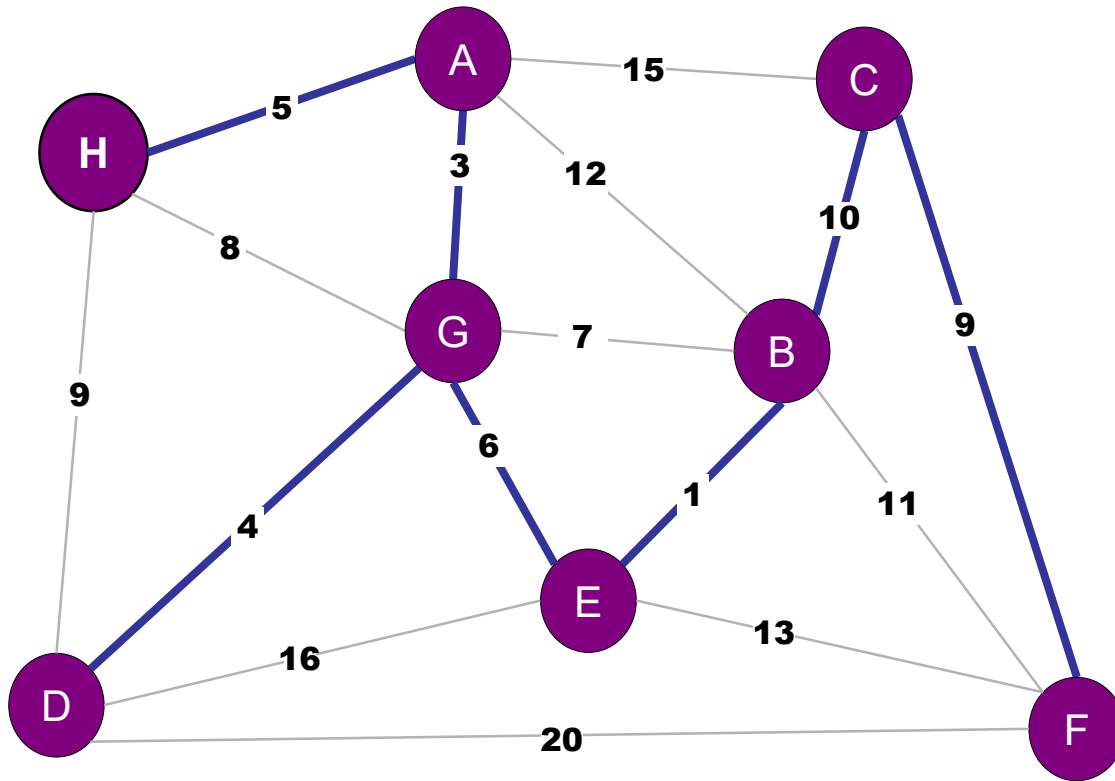
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Prim's Example

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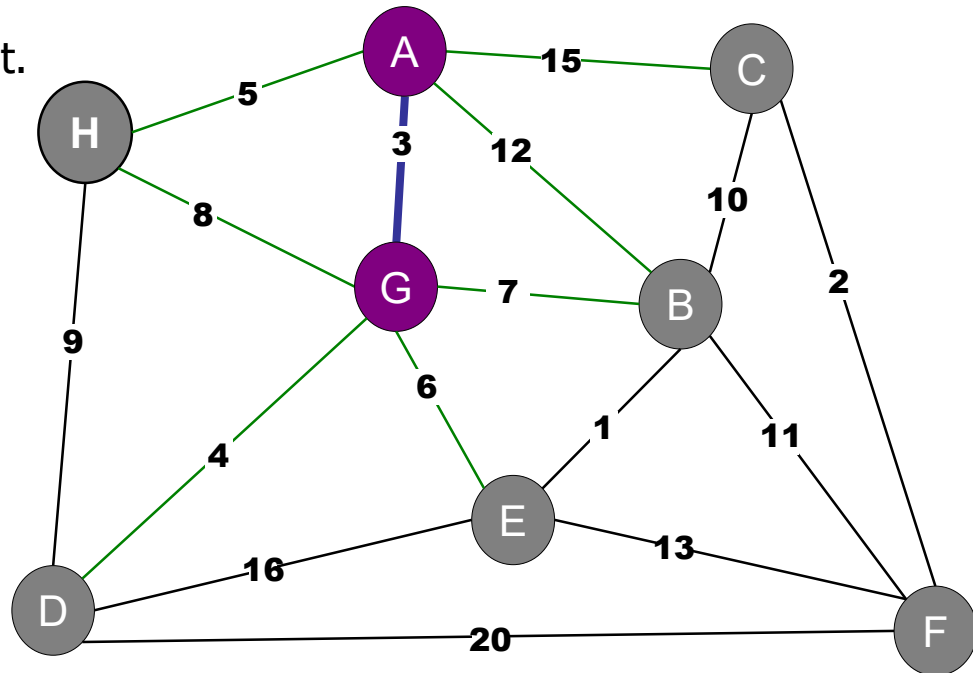
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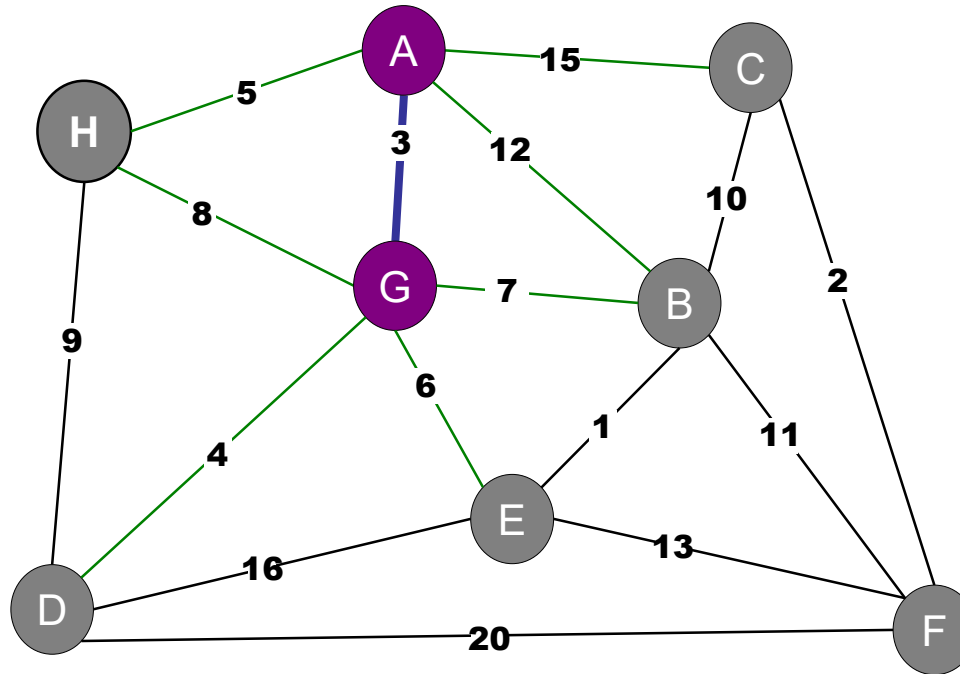
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Analysis:

- Each vertex added/removed once from the priority queue: $O(V \log V)$
- Each edge \Rightarrow one decreaseKey: $O(E \log V)$.



Two Algorithms

Prim's Algorithm.

Basic idea:

- Maintain a set of visited nodes.
- Greedily grow the set by adding node connected via the **lightest** edge.
 - Use Priority Queue to order nodes by **edge weight**.

Dijkstra's Algorithm.

Basic idea:

- Maintain a set of visited nodes.
- Greedily grow the set by adding neighboring node that is **closest to the source**.
 - Use Priority Queue to order nodes by **distance**.

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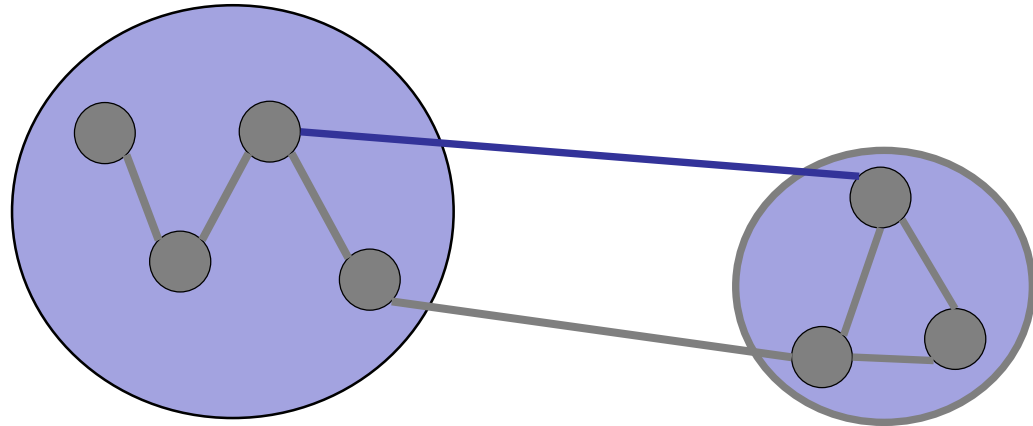
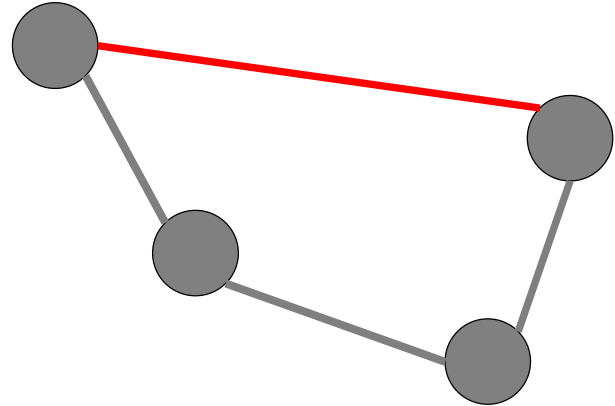
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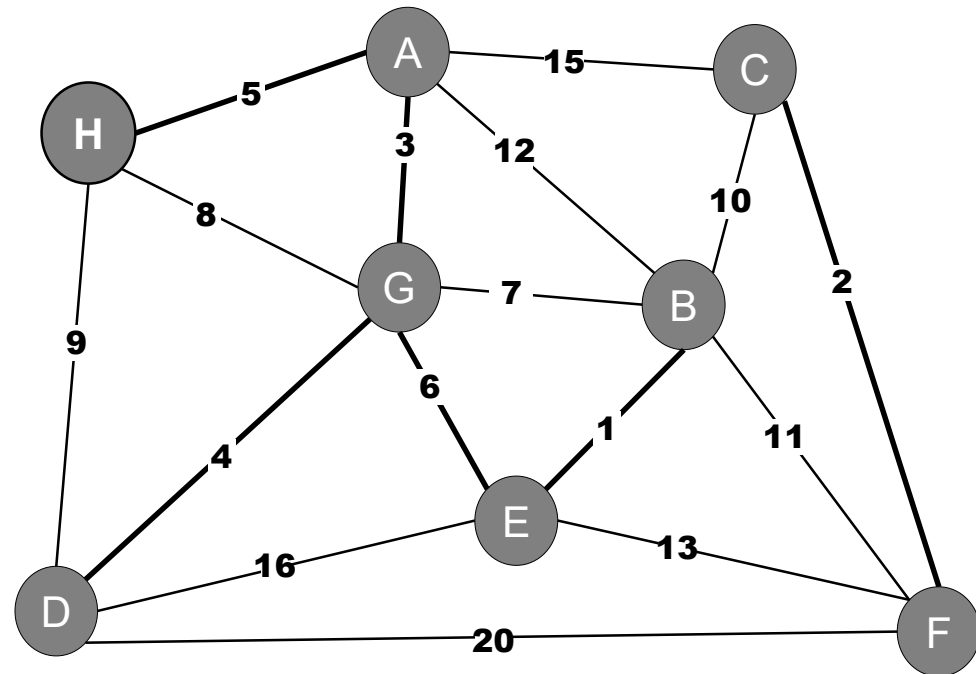
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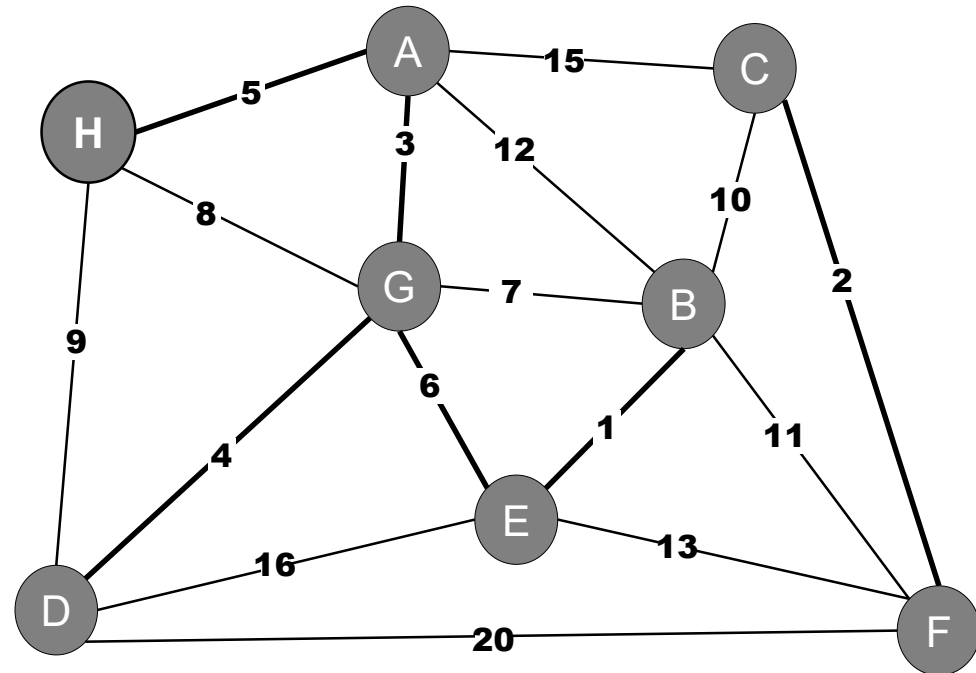


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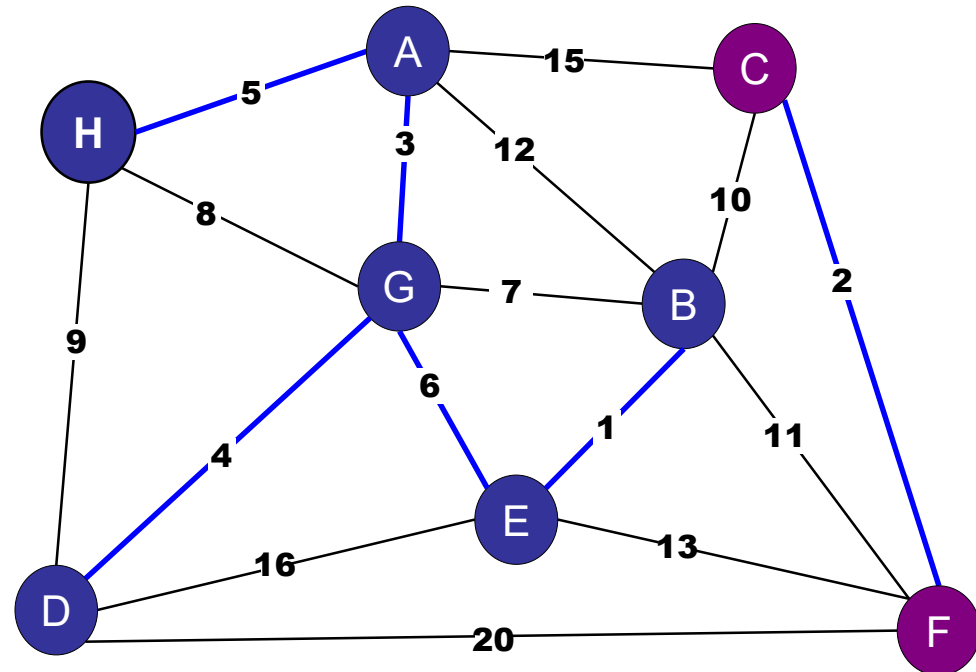


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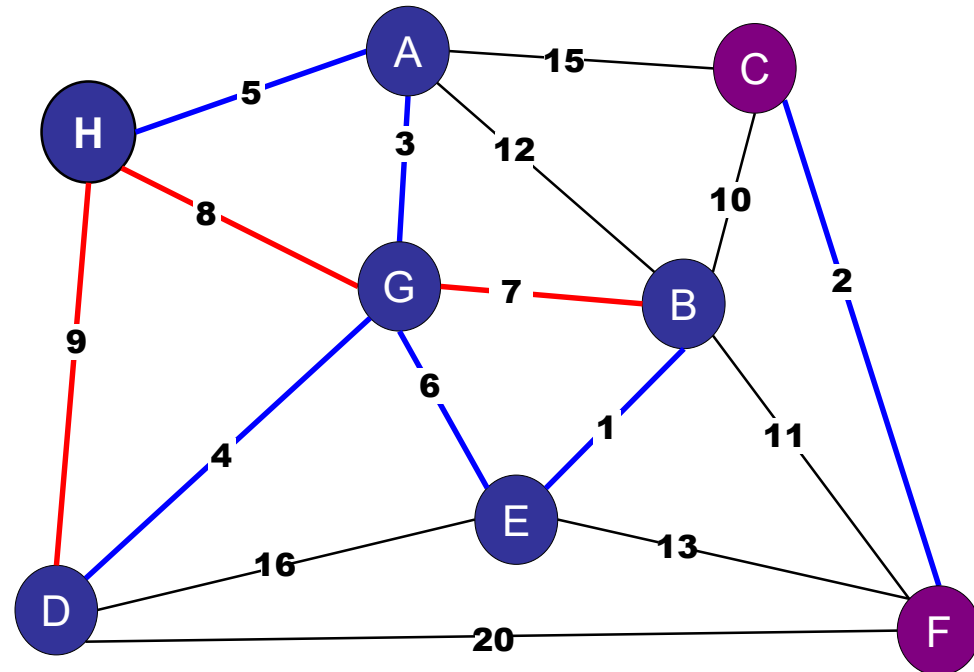


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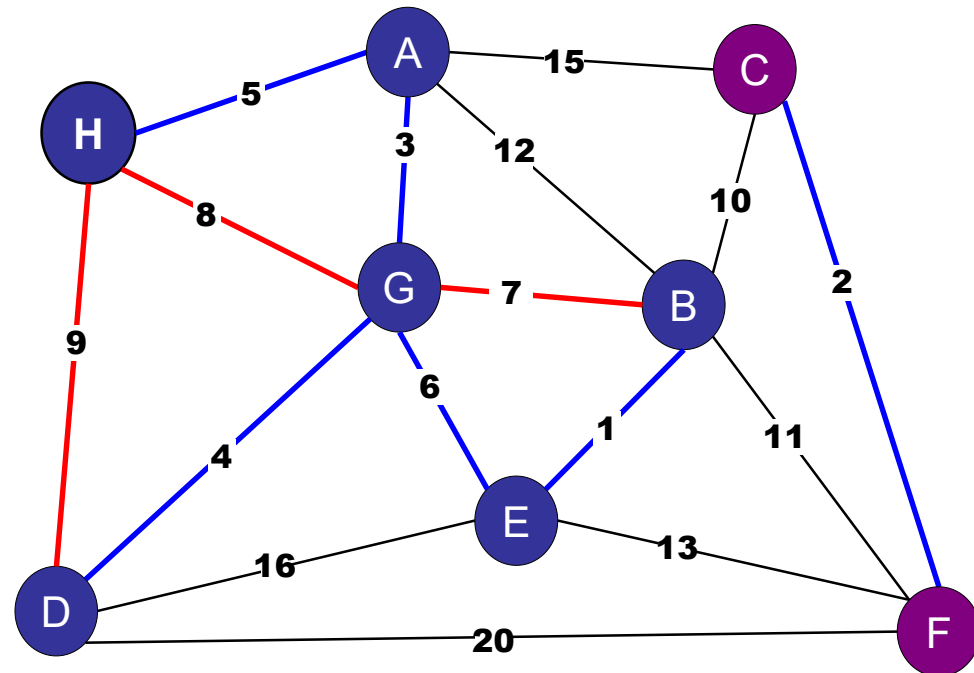
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Data structure:

- Union-Find
- Connect two nodes if they are in the same blue tree.



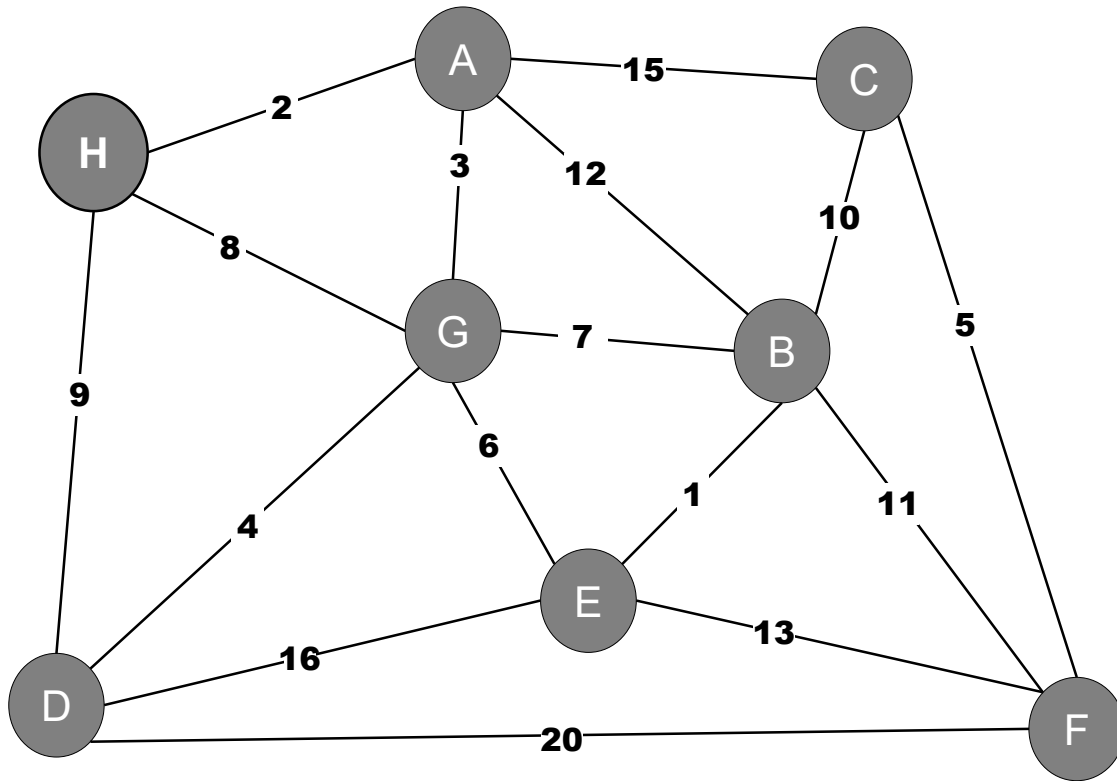
Kruskal's Algorithm

```
// Sort edges and initialize
Edge[] sortedEdges = sort(G.E());
ArrayList<Edge> mstEdges = new ArrayList<Edge>();
UnionFind uf = new UnionFind(G.V());

// Iterate through all the edges, in order
for (int i=0; i<sortedEdges.length; i++) {
    Edge e = sortedEdges[i]; // get edge
    Node v = e.one(); // get node endpoints
    Node w = e.two();

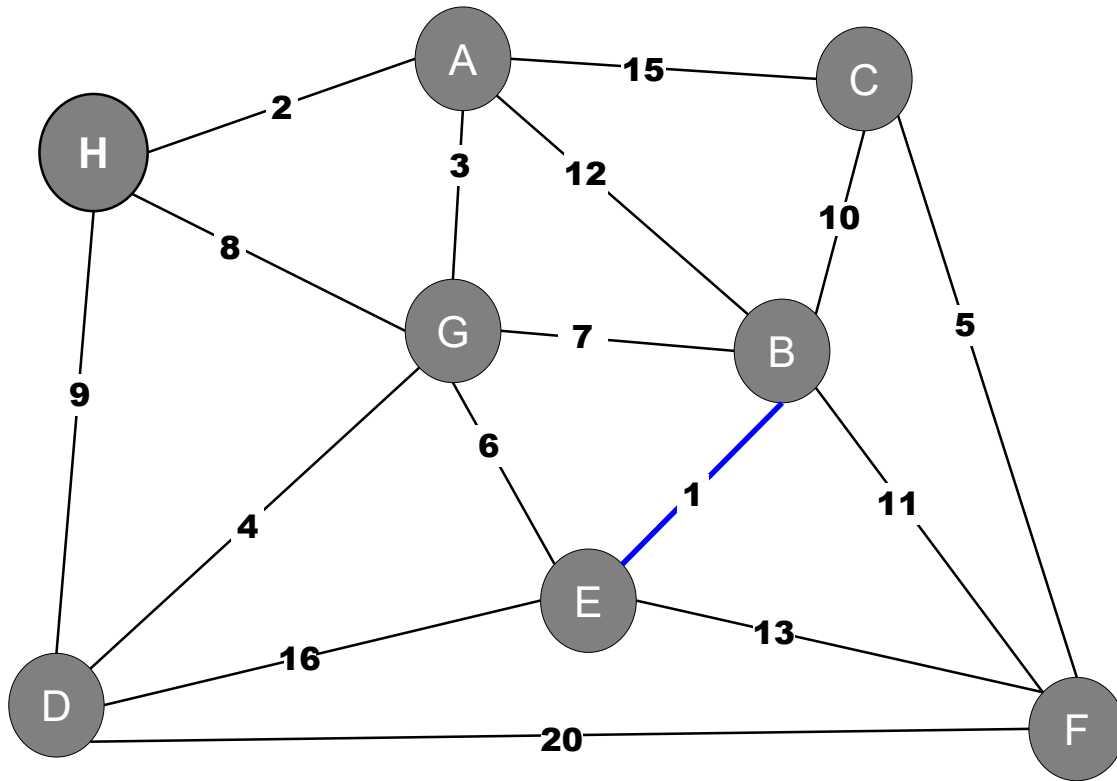
    if (!uf.find(v,w)) { // in the same tree?
        mstEdges.add(e); // save edge
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    }
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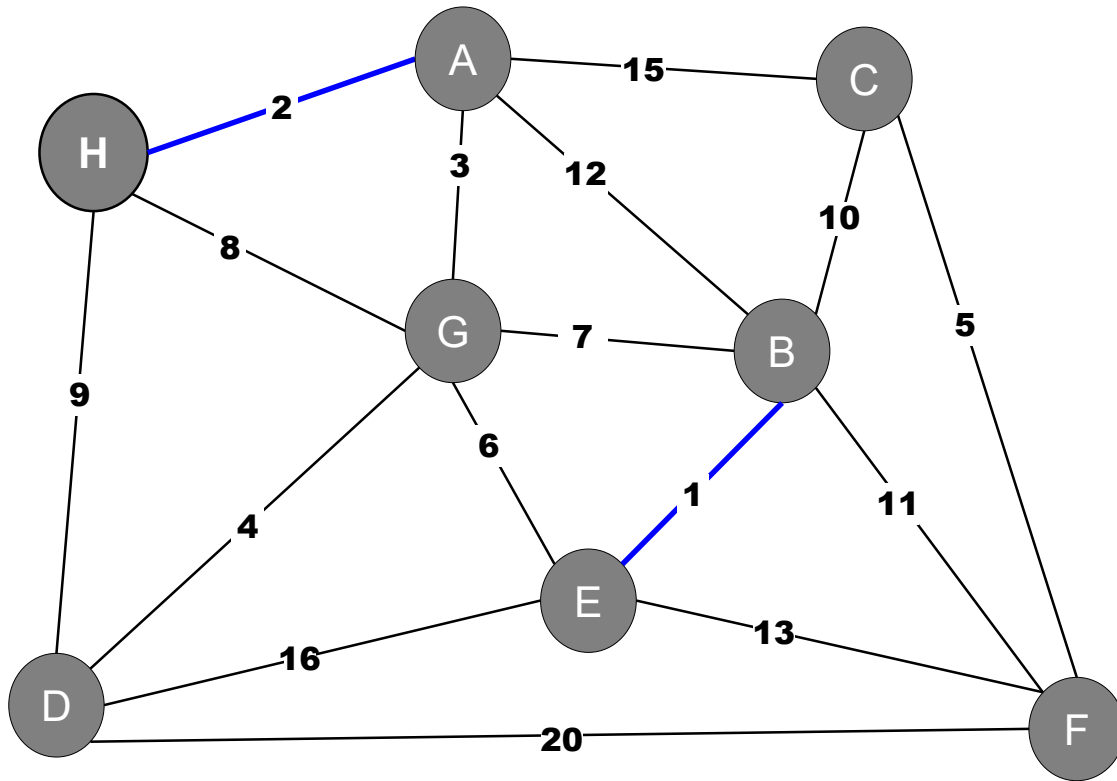
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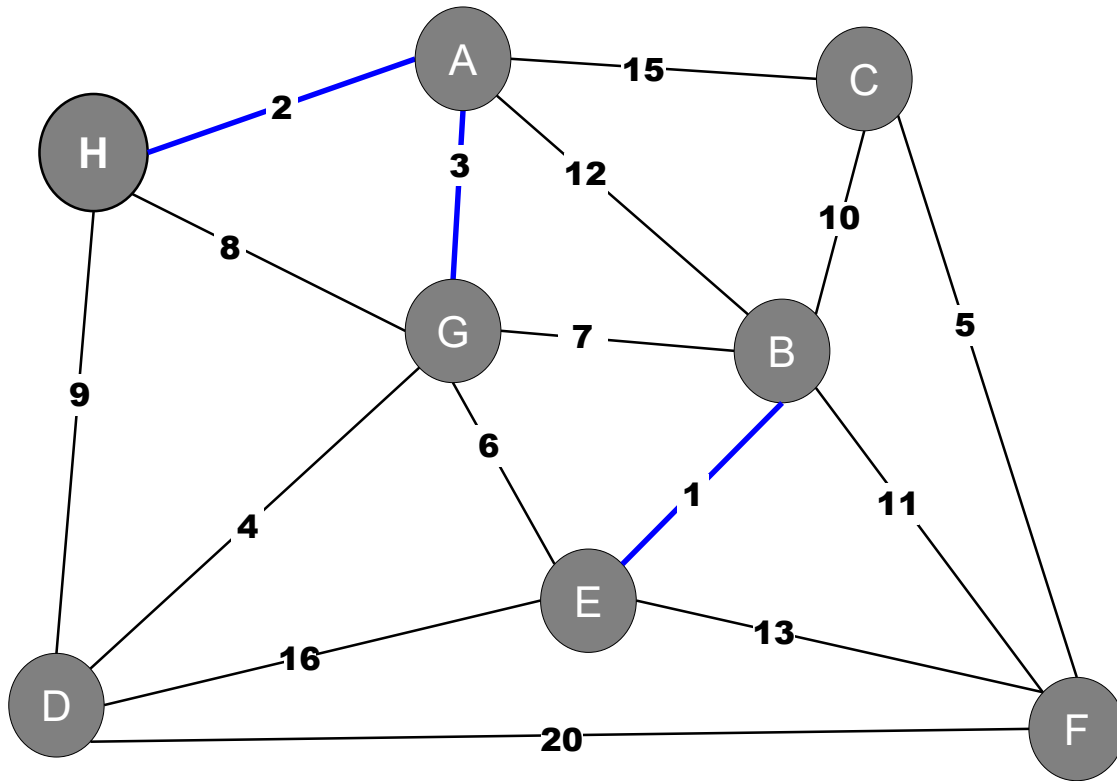
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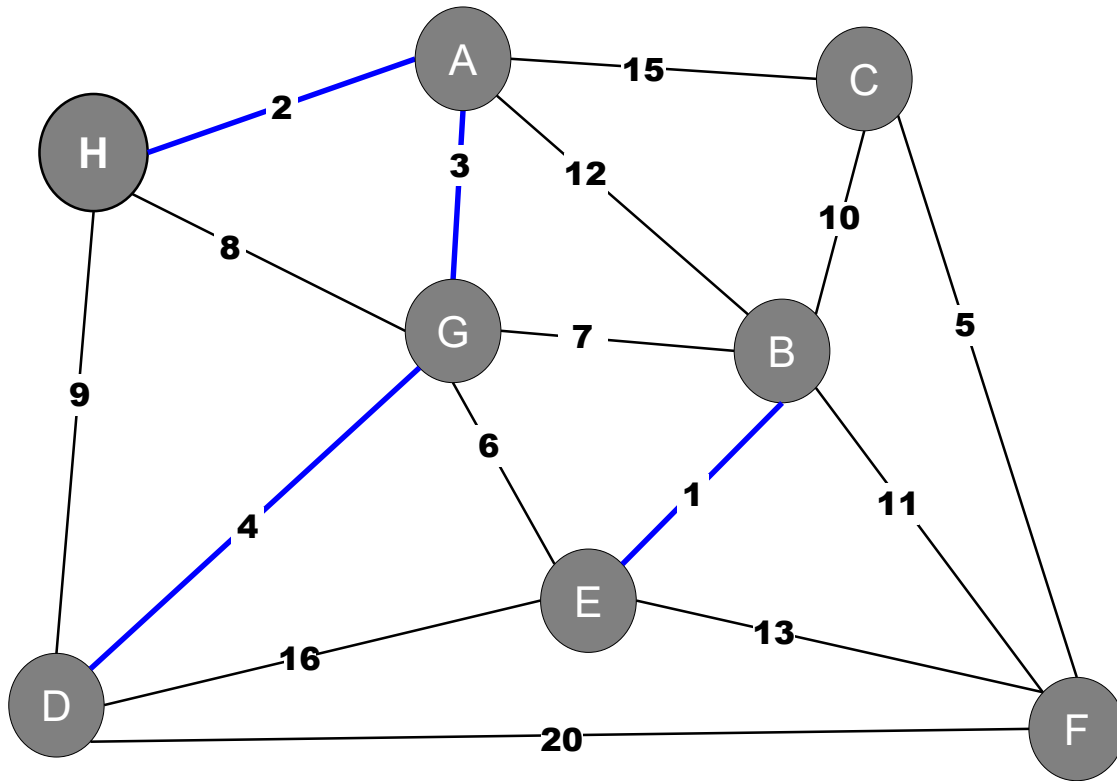
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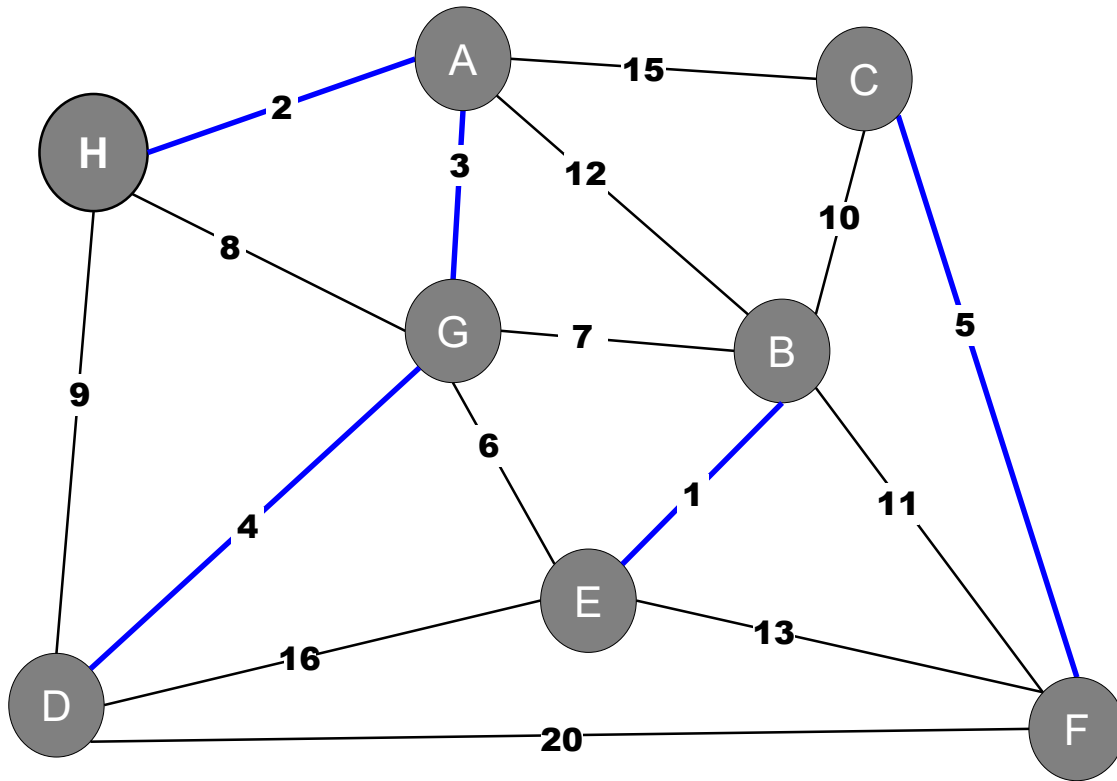
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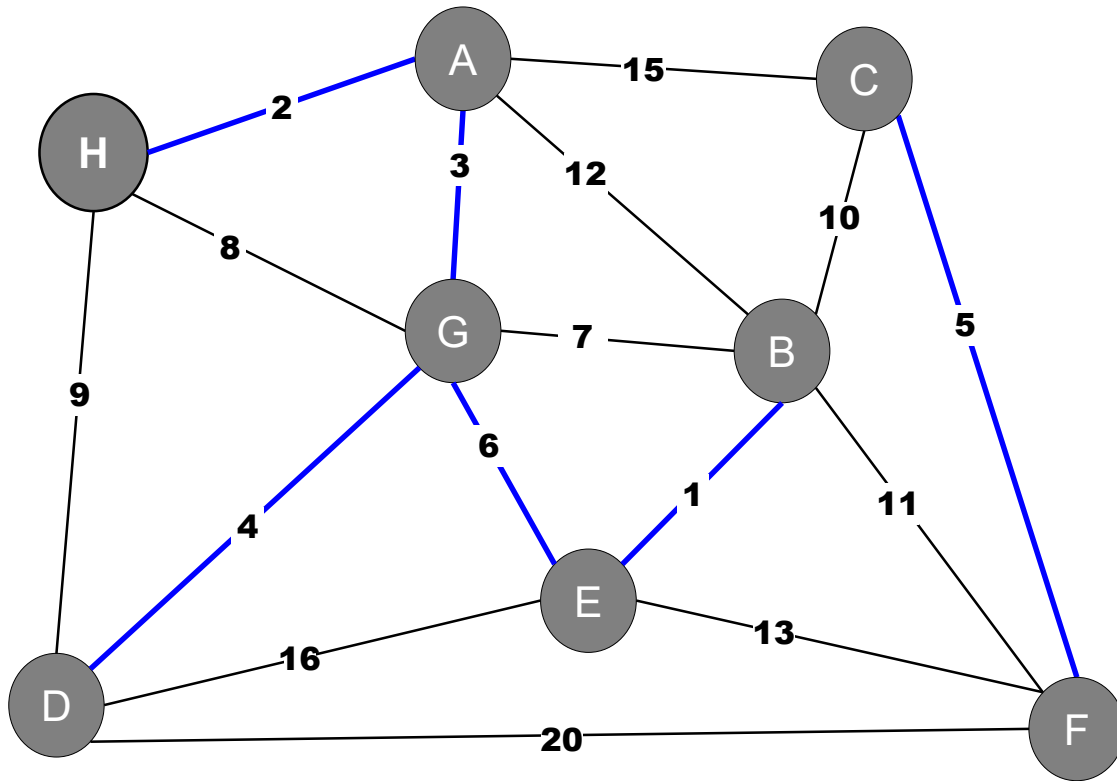
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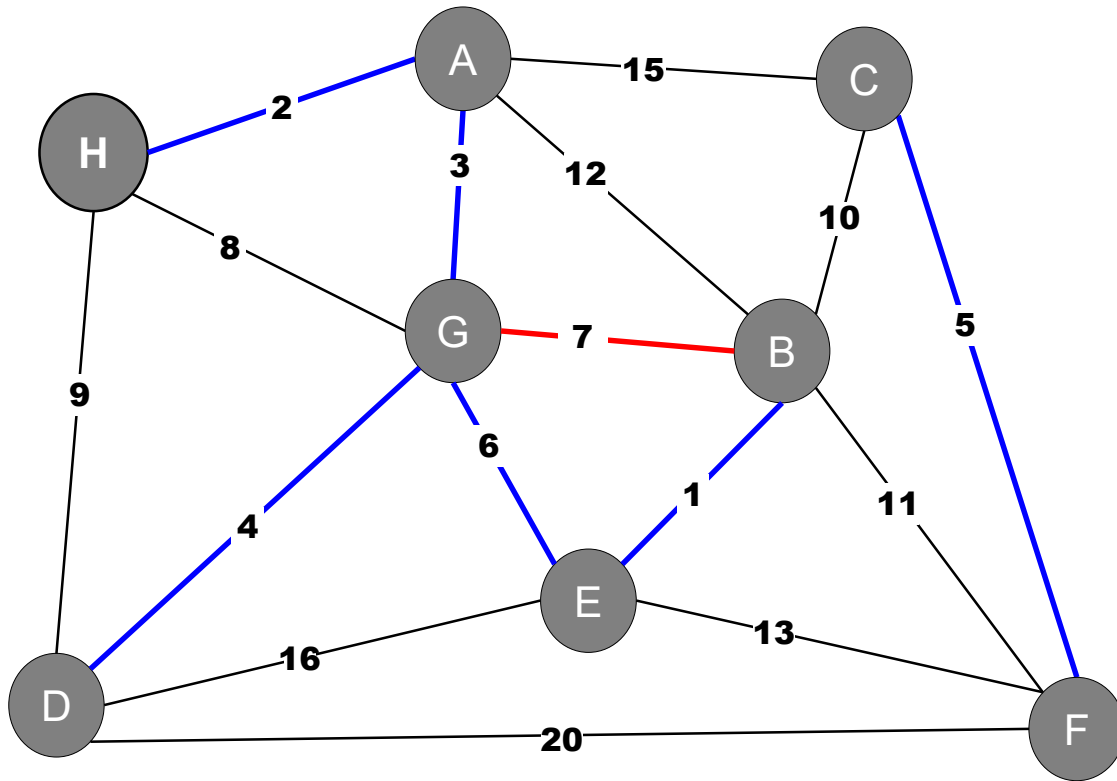
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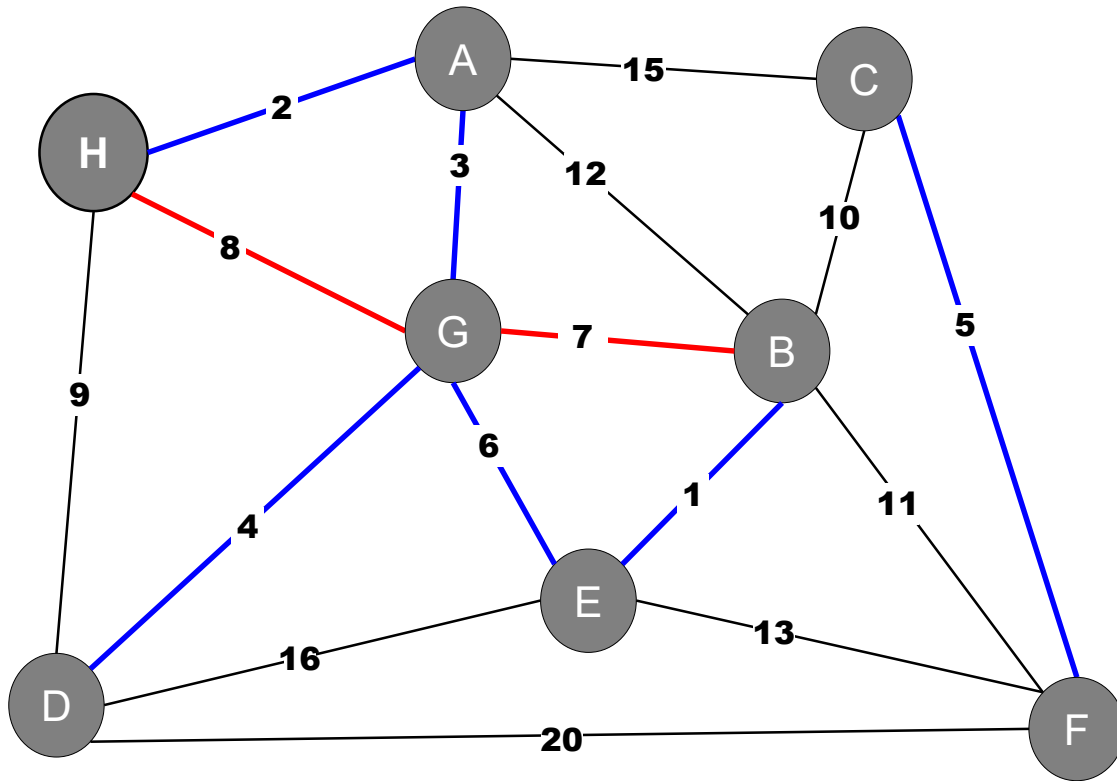
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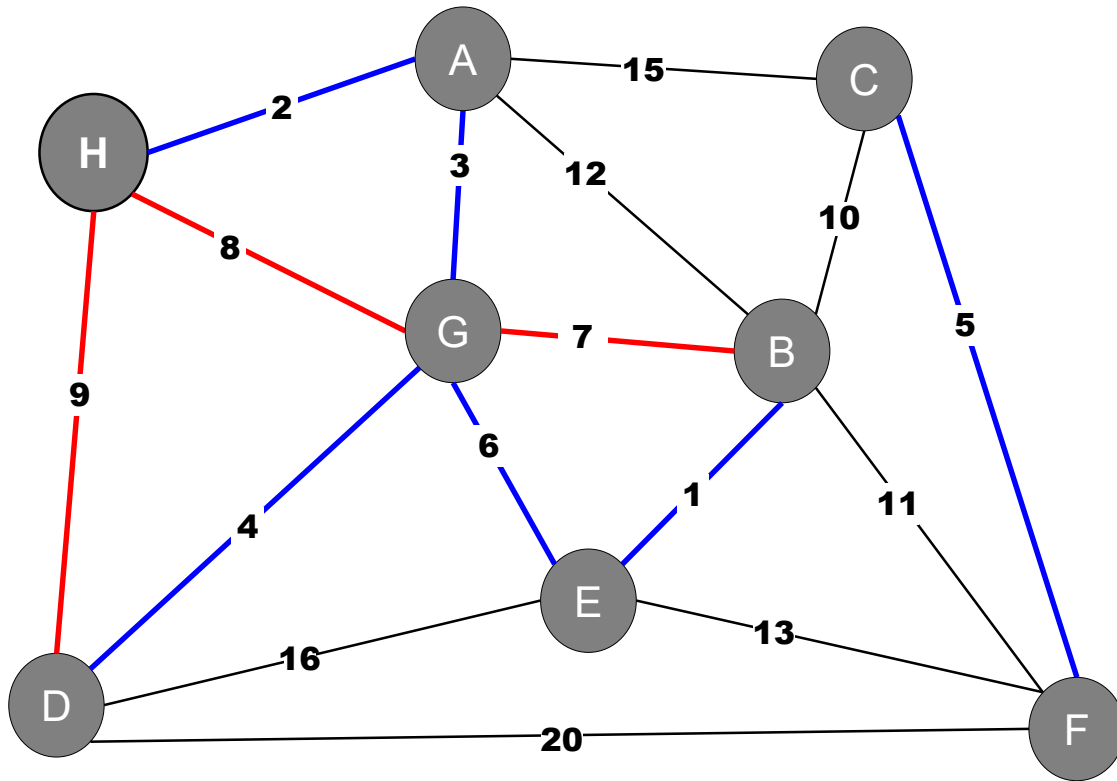
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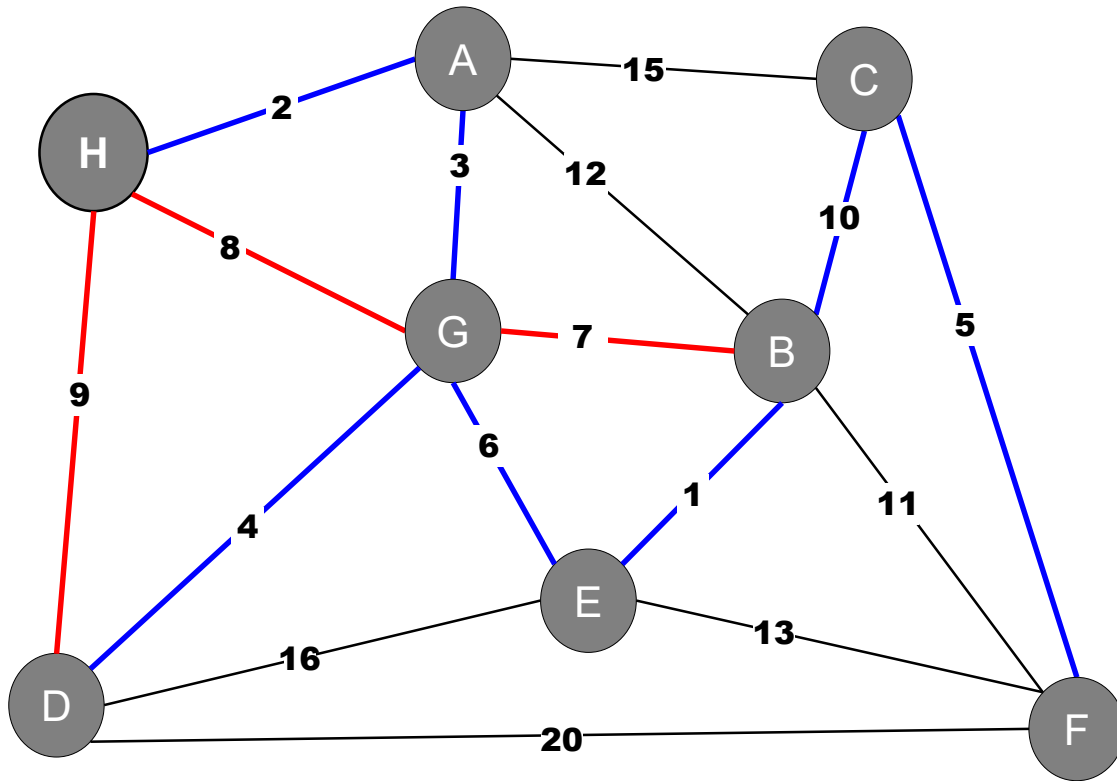
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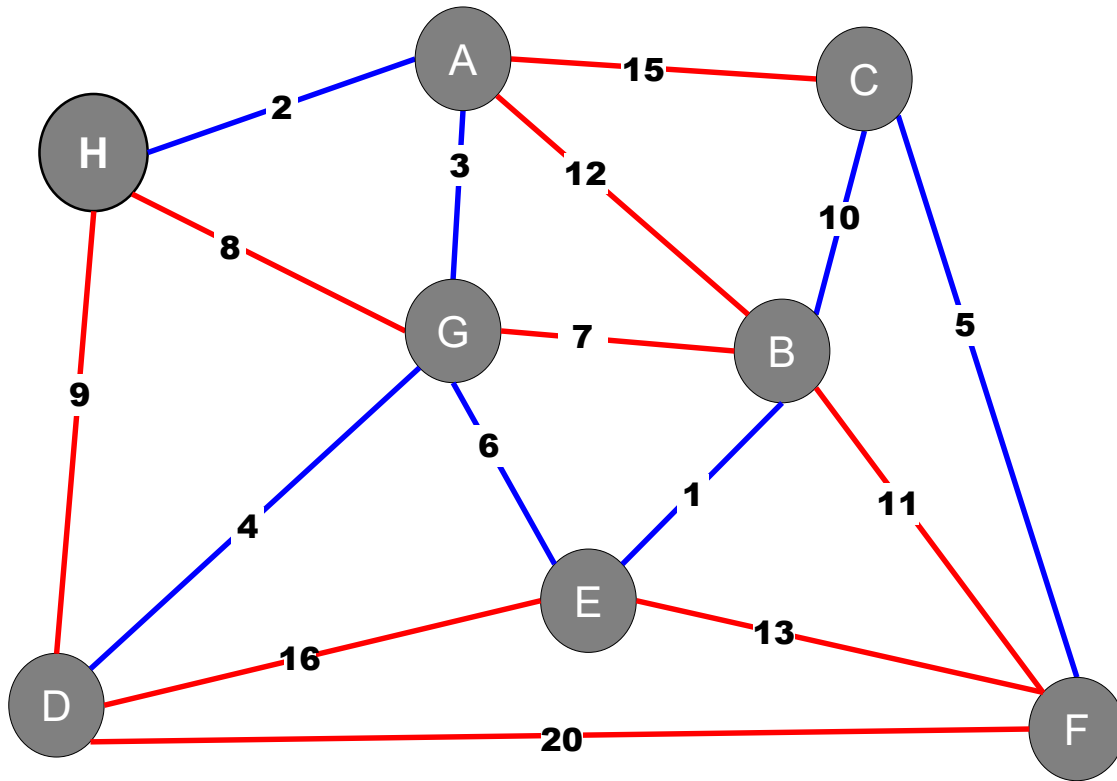
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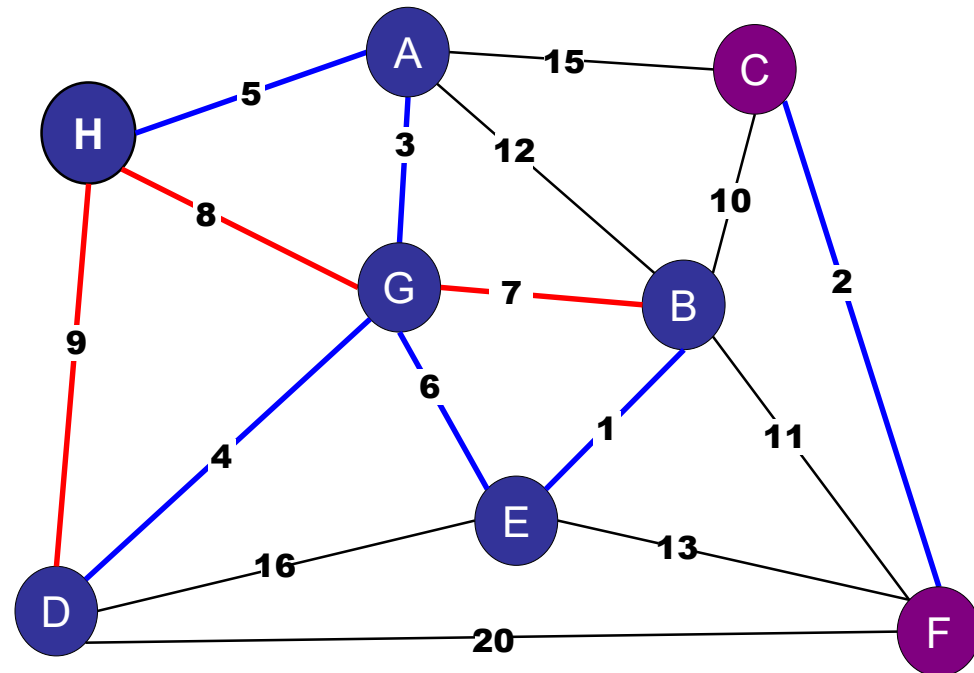
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Proof:

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- Each edge is the lightest edge across the cut: all other lighter edges across the cut have already been considered.



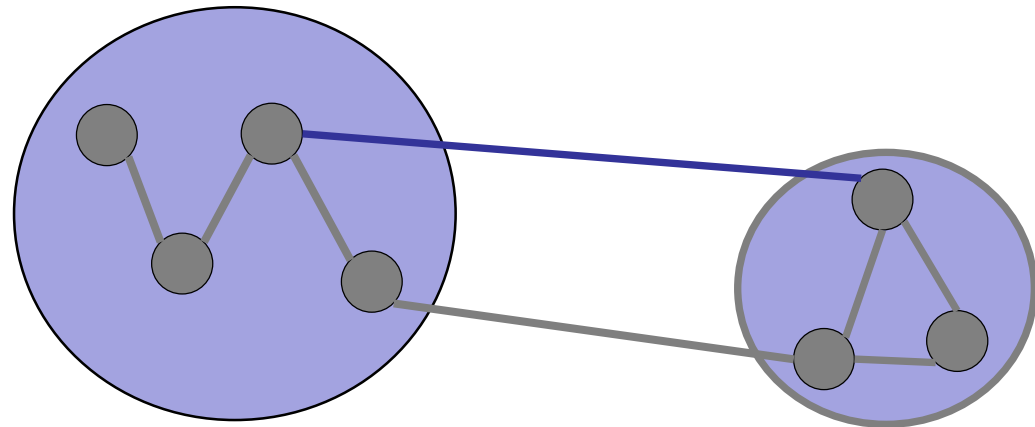
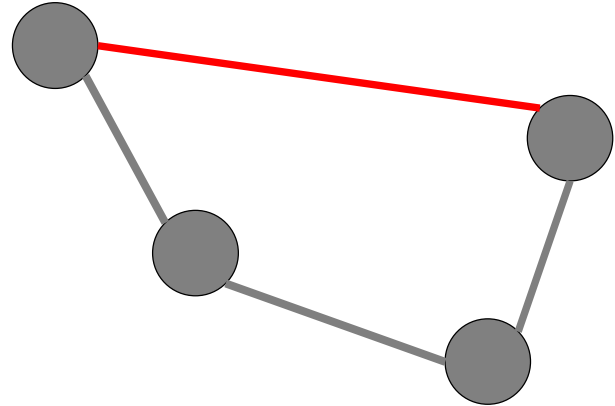
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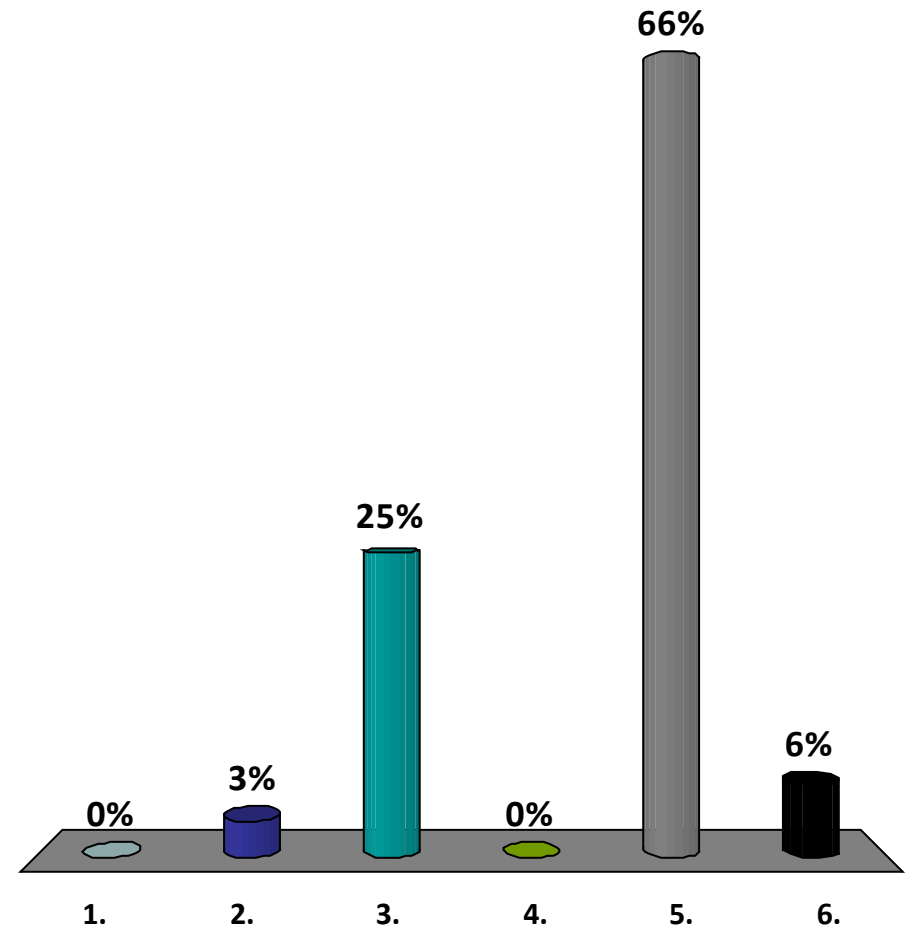
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2. $O(E)$
3. $O(E \alpha)$
4. $O(V \alpha)$
- ✓ 5. $O(E \log V)$
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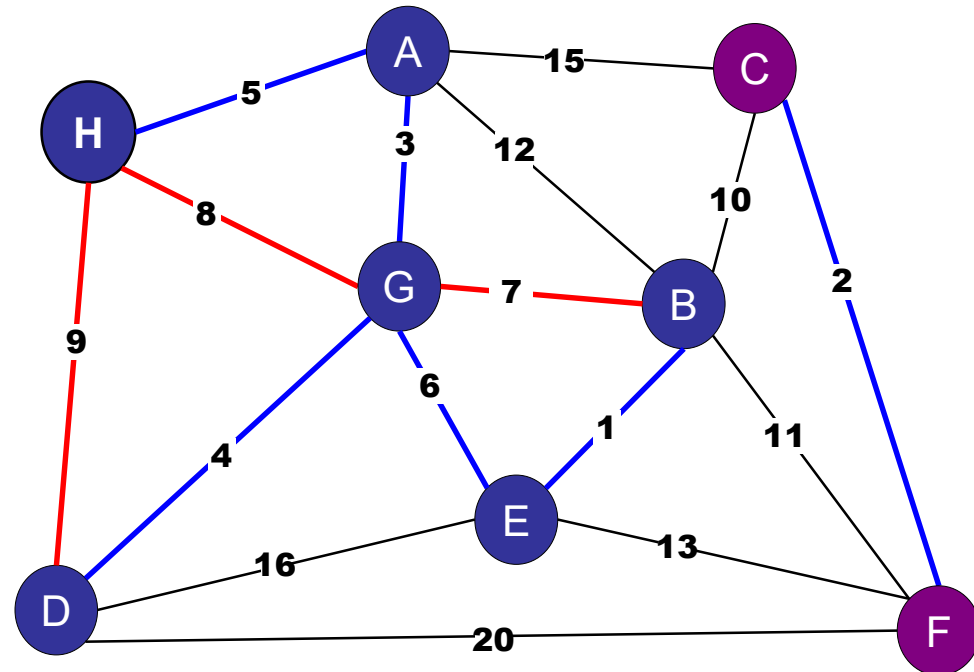
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Performance:

- Sorting: $O(E \log E) = O(E \log V)$
- For E edges:
 - Find: $O(\alpha)$ or $O(\log V)$
 - Union: $O(\alpha)$ or $O(\log V)$



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MST Algorithms

Classic:

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- Kruskal's Algorithm

Modern requirements:

- Parallelizable
- Faster in “good” graphs (e.g., planar graphs)
- Flexible

Boruvka's Algorithm

Origin: 1926

- Otakar Boruvka
- Improve the electrical network of Moravia

Based on generic algorithm:

- Repeat: add all “obvious” blue edges.
- Very simple, very flexible.

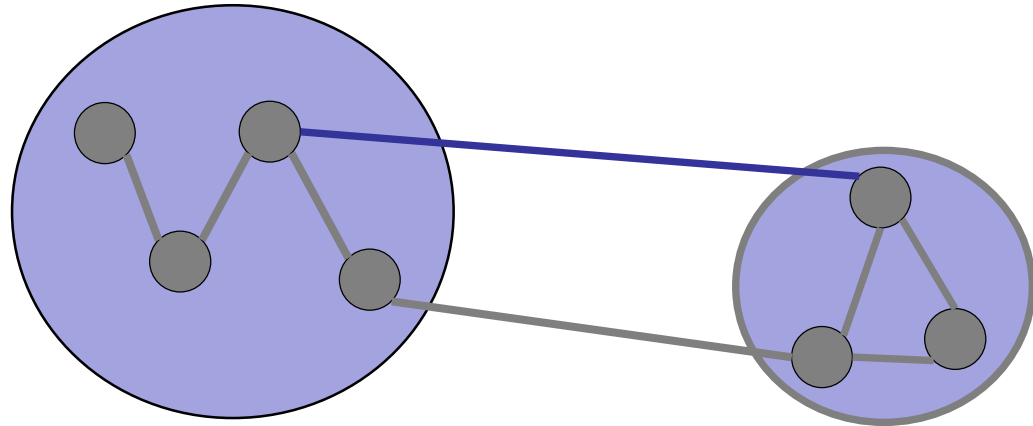
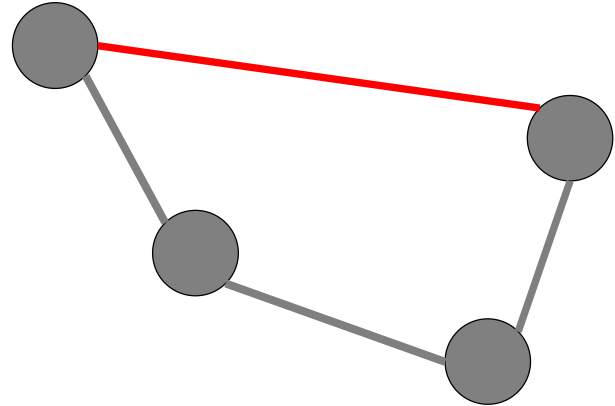
Generic MST Algorithm

Greedy Algorithm:

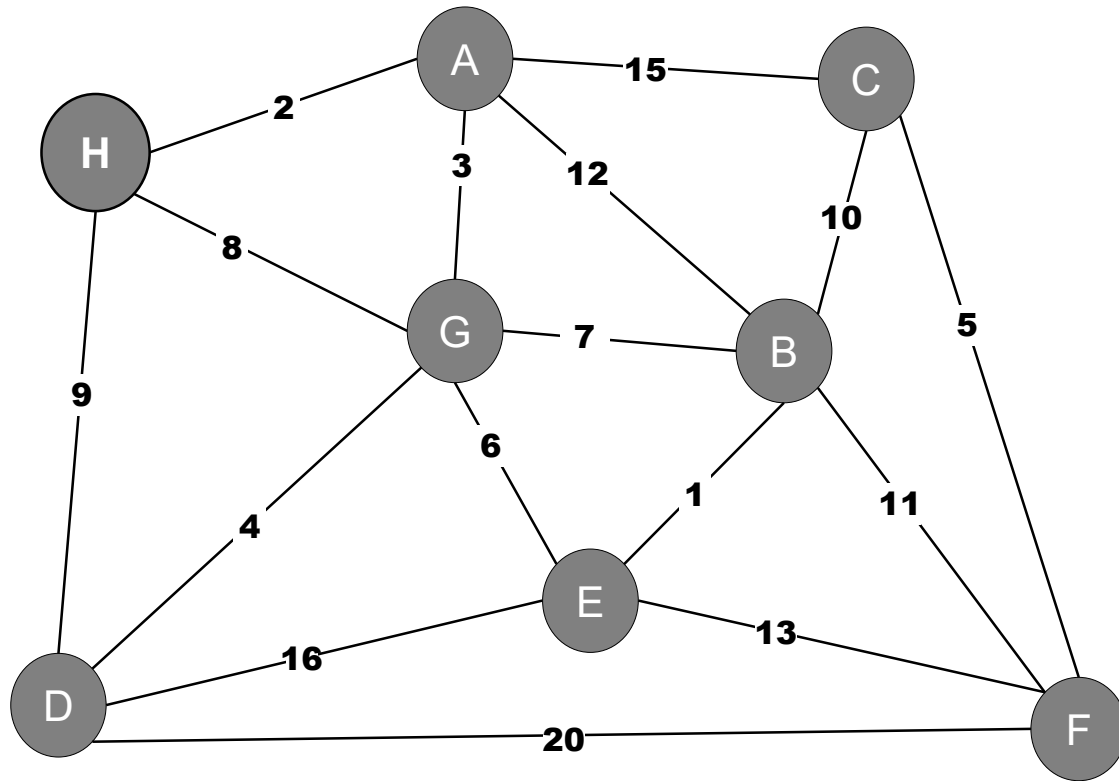
Repeat:

**Apply red rule or
blue rule to an
arbitrary edge.**

until no more edges
can be colored.



Boruvka's Example

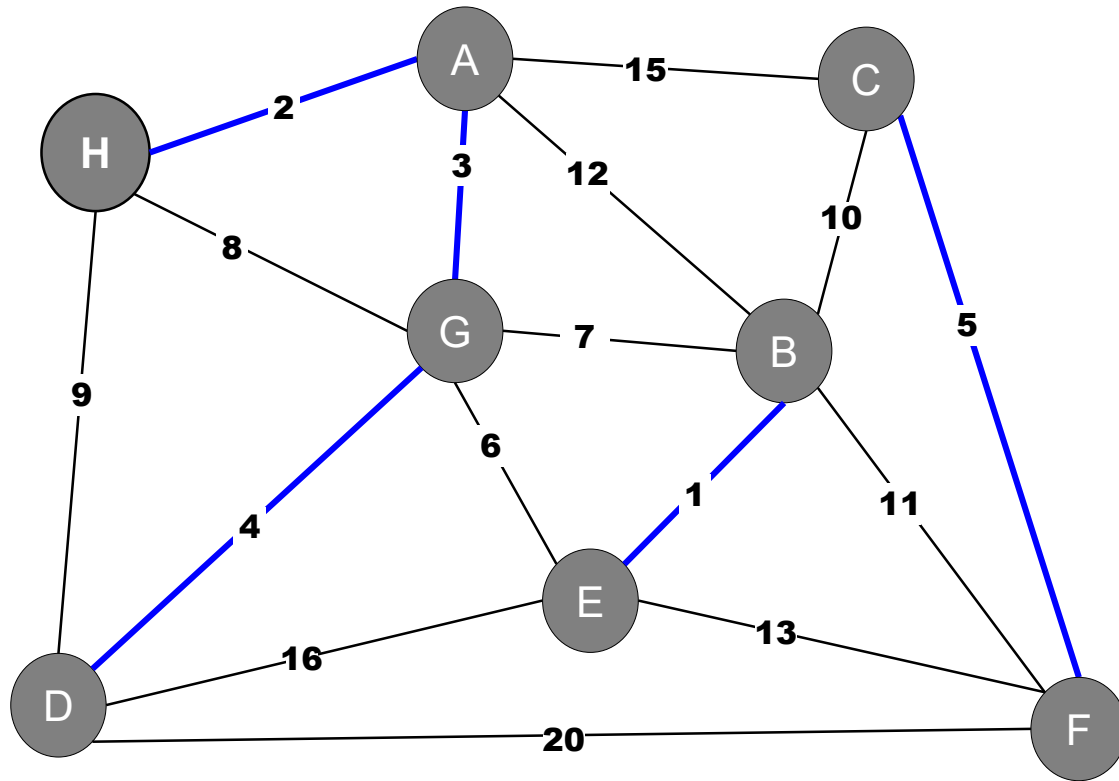


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Which edges are “obviously” in the MST?

All the min outgoing edges! (Property 4b)

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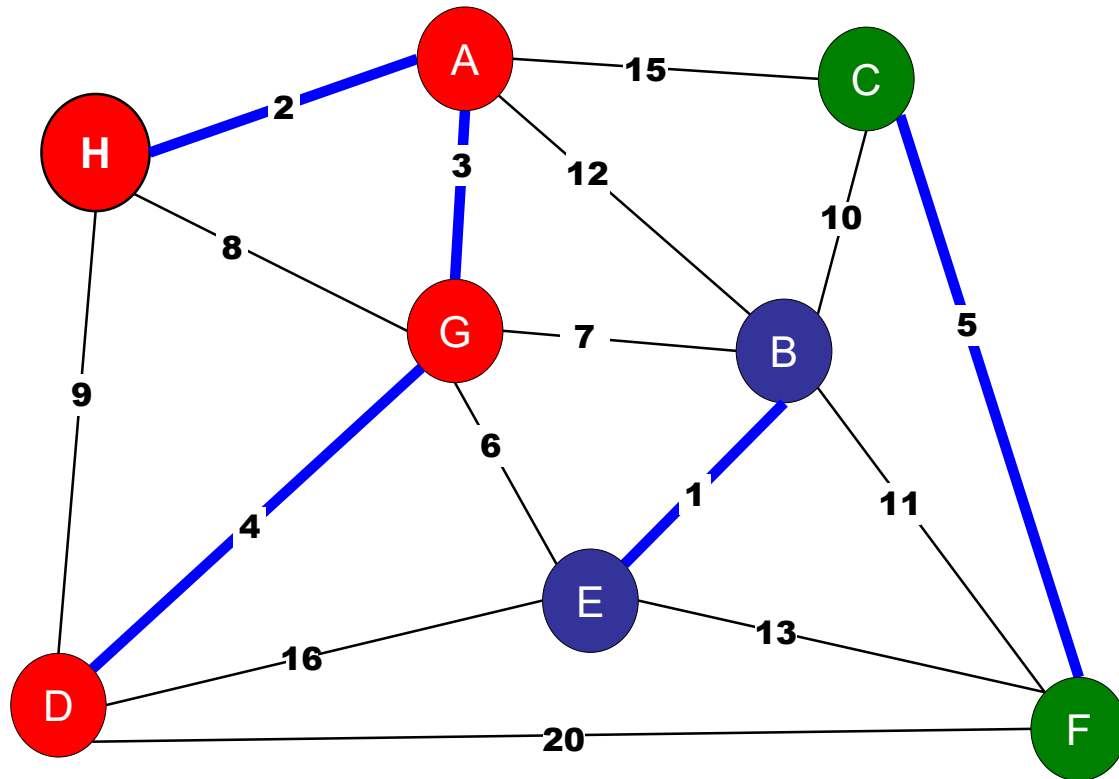


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For every node: add minimum adjacent edge.

Add at least $n/2$ edges.

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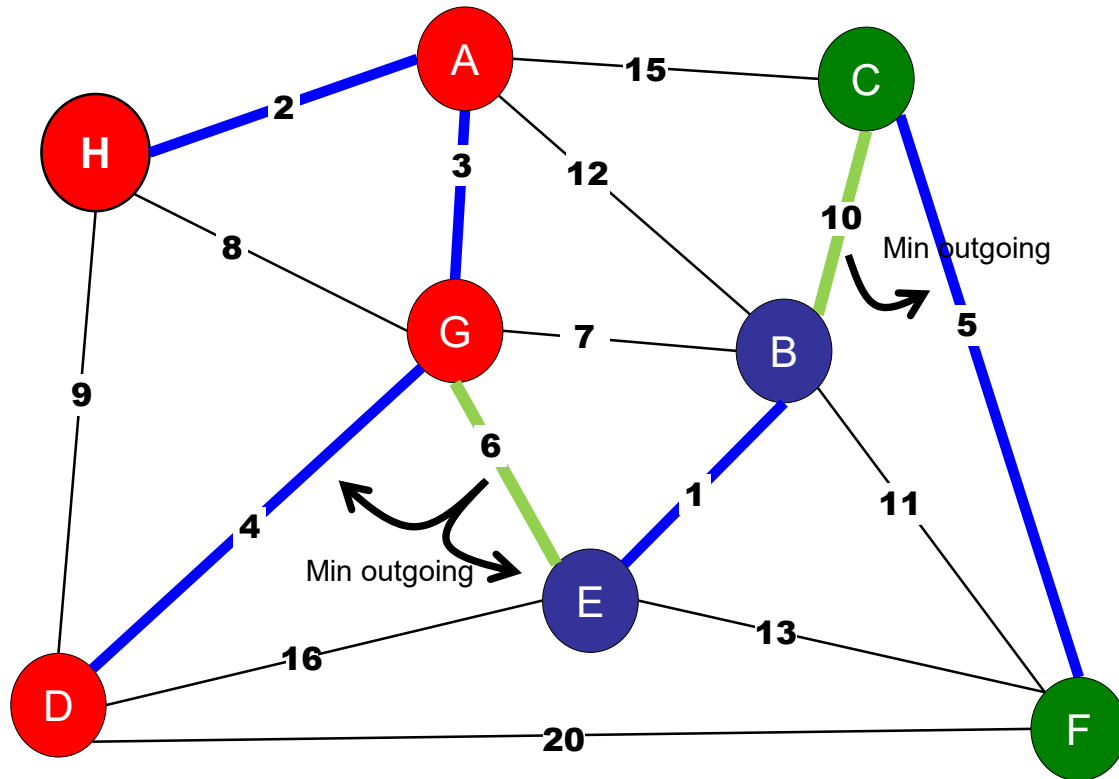


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Look at connected components...

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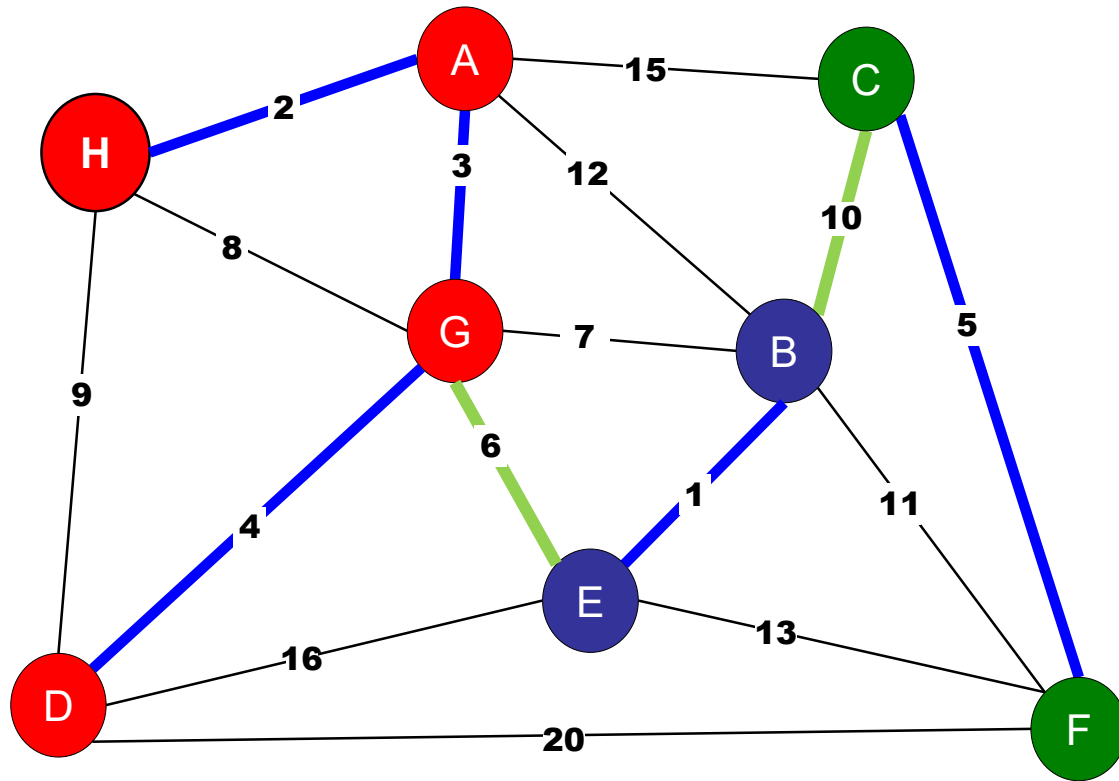
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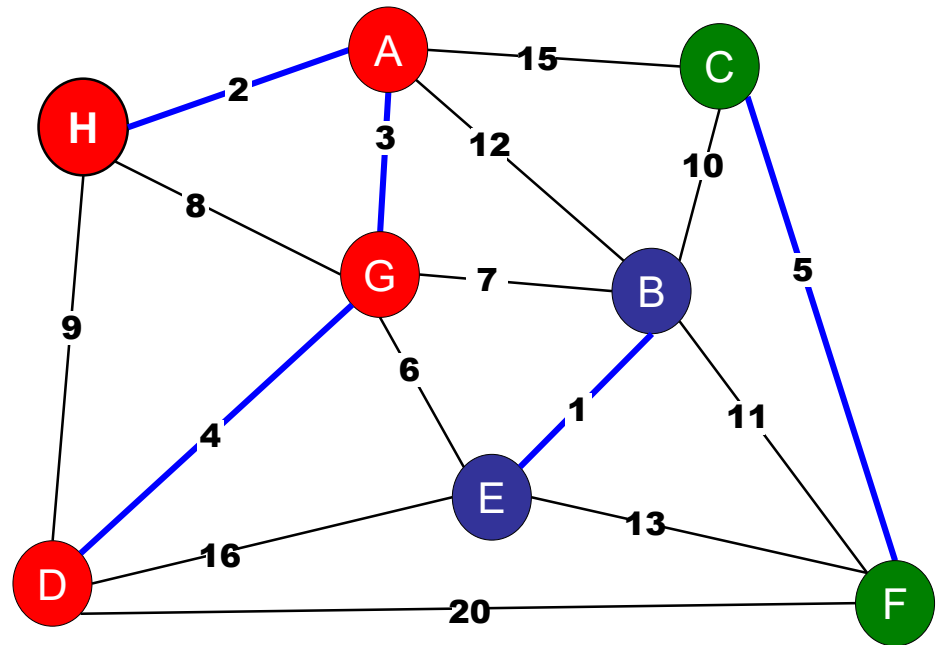
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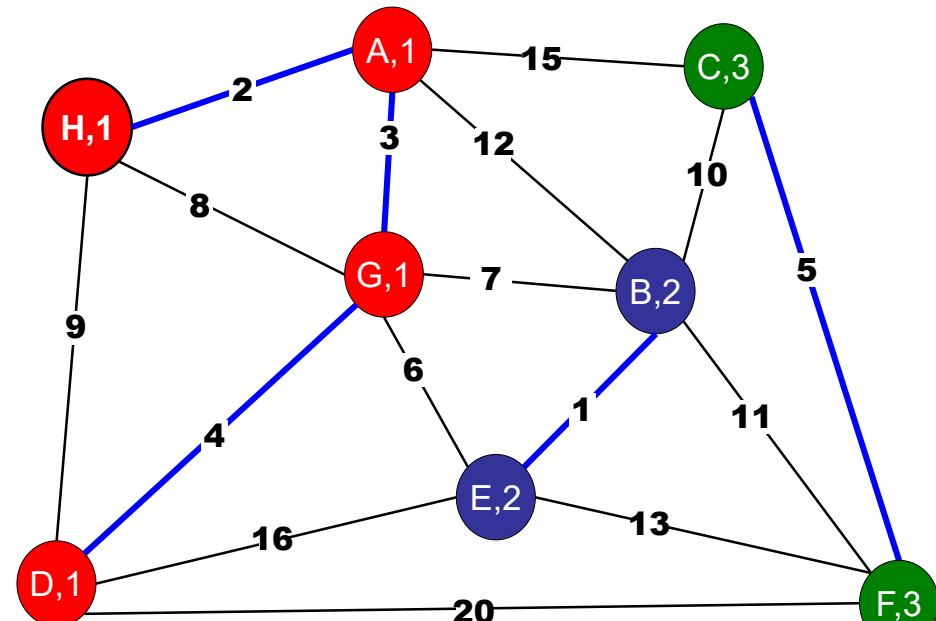
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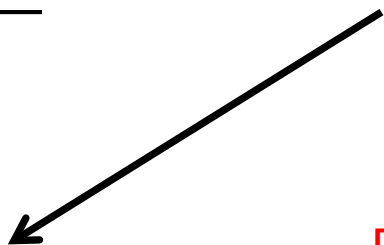
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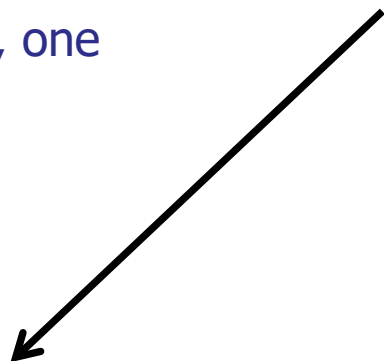
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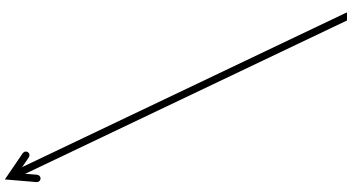


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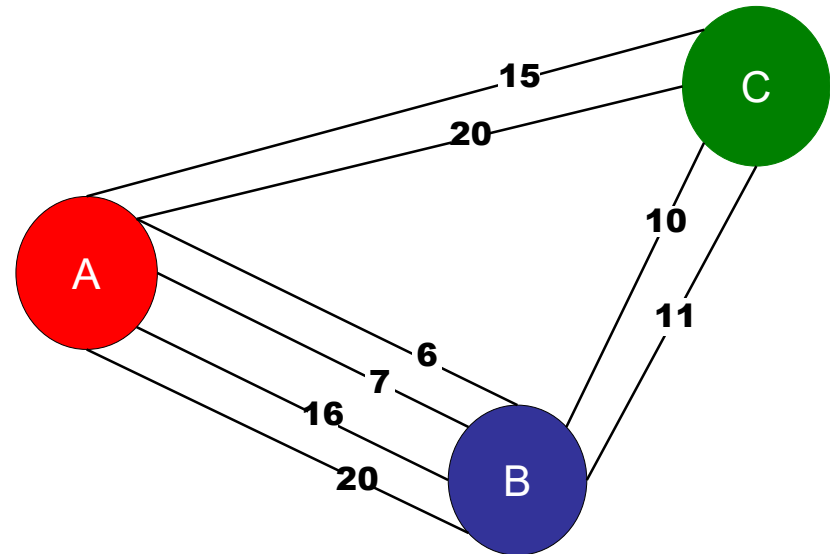
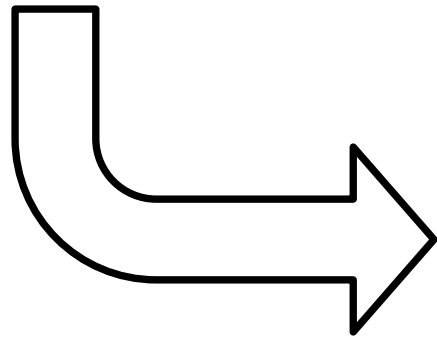
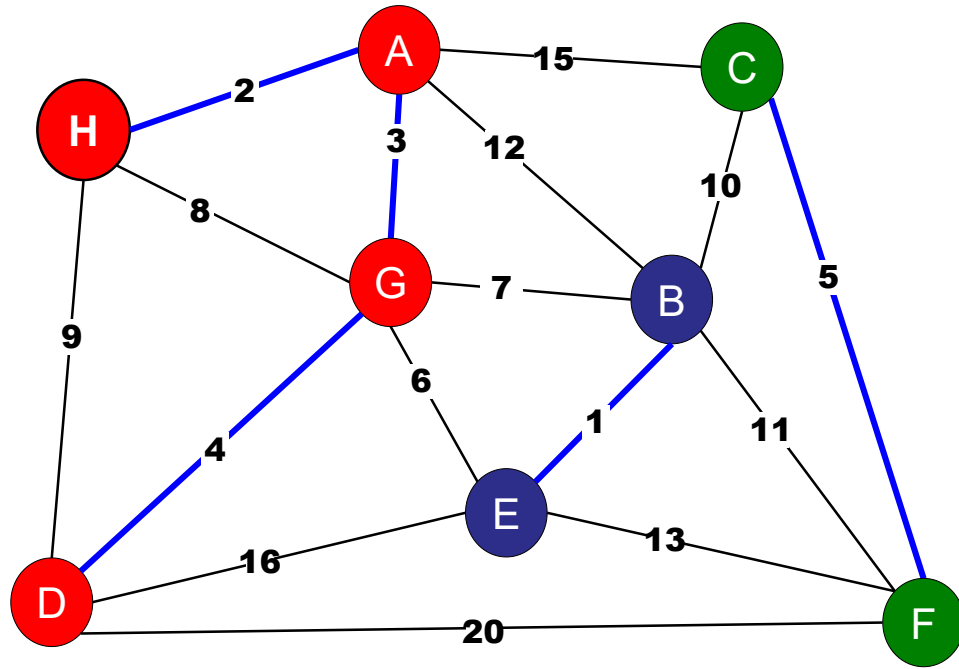
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Count edges:

Each component adds one edge.

Some choose same edge.

Each edge is chosen by at most two different components.



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Initially:

n components

At each step:

k components $\rightarrow k/2$ components.

Termination:

1 component

Conclusion:

At most $O(\log V)$ Boruvka steps.

Total time:

$O((E+V)\log V) = O(E \log V)$

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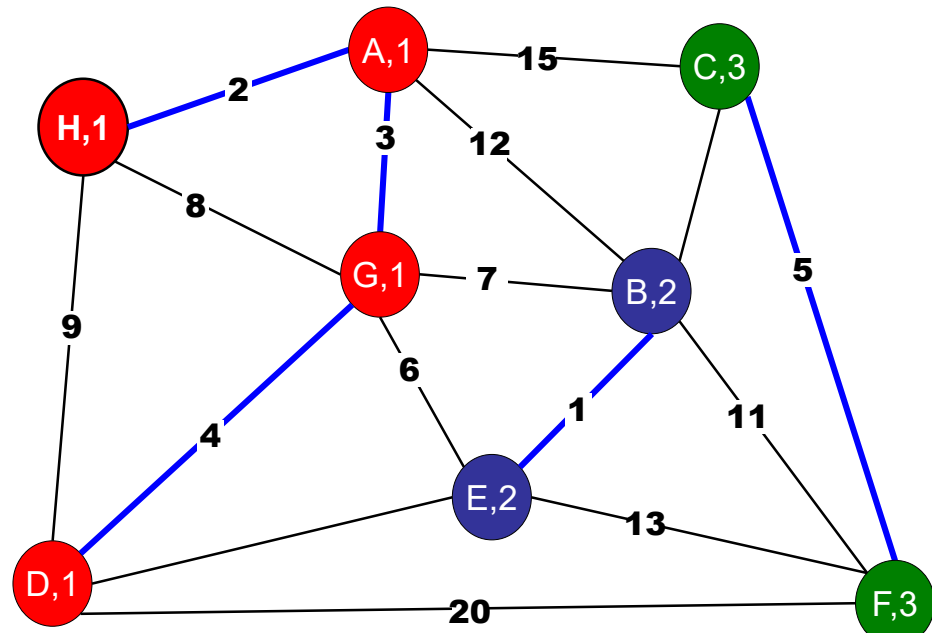
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Websites to have fun with MST

- https://www-m9.ma.tum.de/graph-algorithms/mst-prim/index_en.html



Prim's Algorithm



[Introduction](#) | [Create a graph](#) | [Run the algorithm](#) | [Description of the algorithm](#) | [Exercise 1](#) | [Exercise 2](#) | [More](#)

Which graph do you want to execute the algorithm on?

Start with an example graph:

Select

Modify it to your desire:

- To create a node, make a double-click in the drawing area.
- To create an edge, first click on the output node and then click on the destination node.
- The edge weight can be changed by double clicking on the edge.
- Right-clicking deletes edges and nodes.

Download the modified graph:

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Upload an existing graph:

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What next?

[+ Legend](#)

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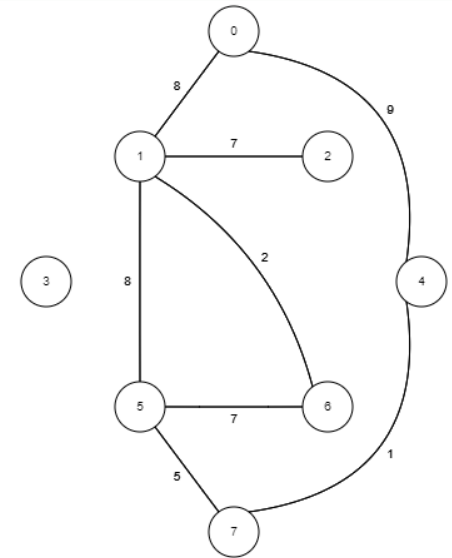
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Prim Minimum Cost Spanning Treeh

Start Vertex:

☒ Small Graph ☒ Logical Representation
☐ Large Graph ☐ Adjacency List Representation
☐ Adjacency Matrix Representation

Vertex	Known	Cost	Path
0			
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			



- Kruskal's

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Roadmap

So far:

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- Depth-First-Search or Breadth-First-Search
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- Every spanning tree contains $(V-1)$ edges!
- Thus, any spanning tree you find with DFS/BFS is a minimum spanning tree.

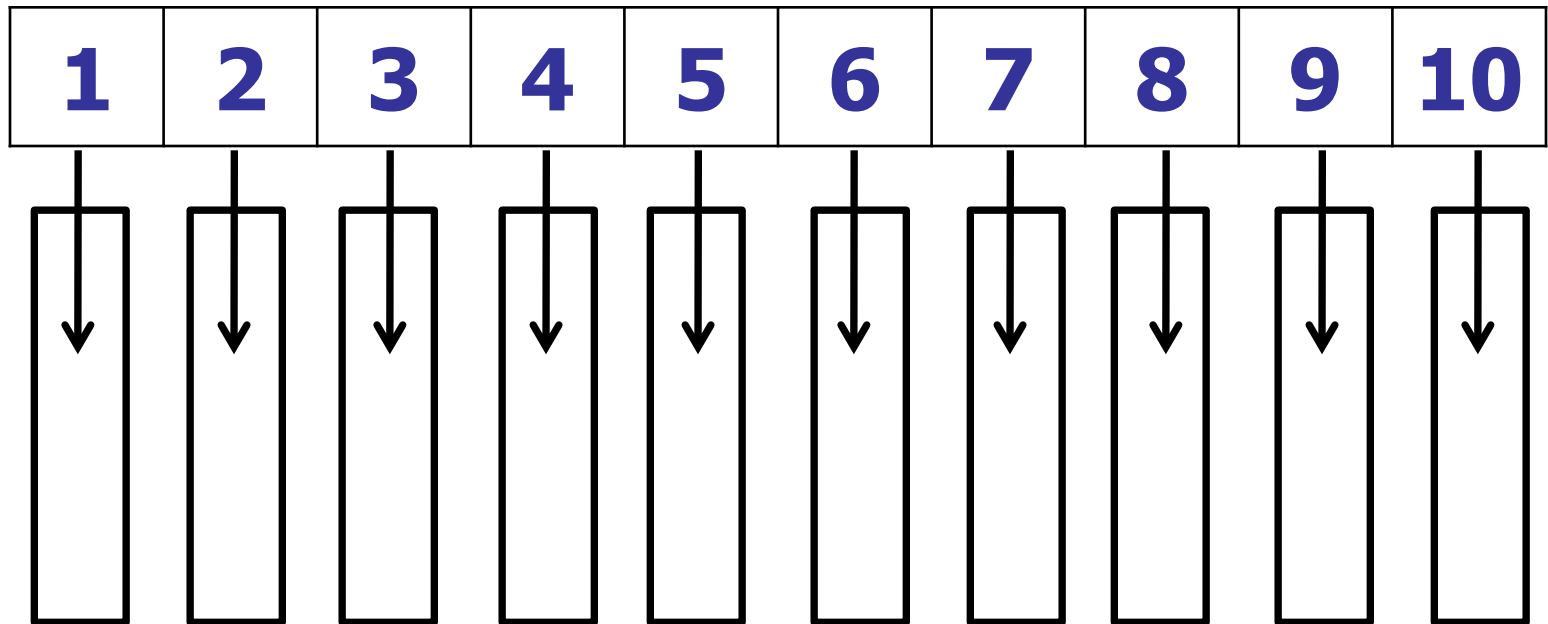
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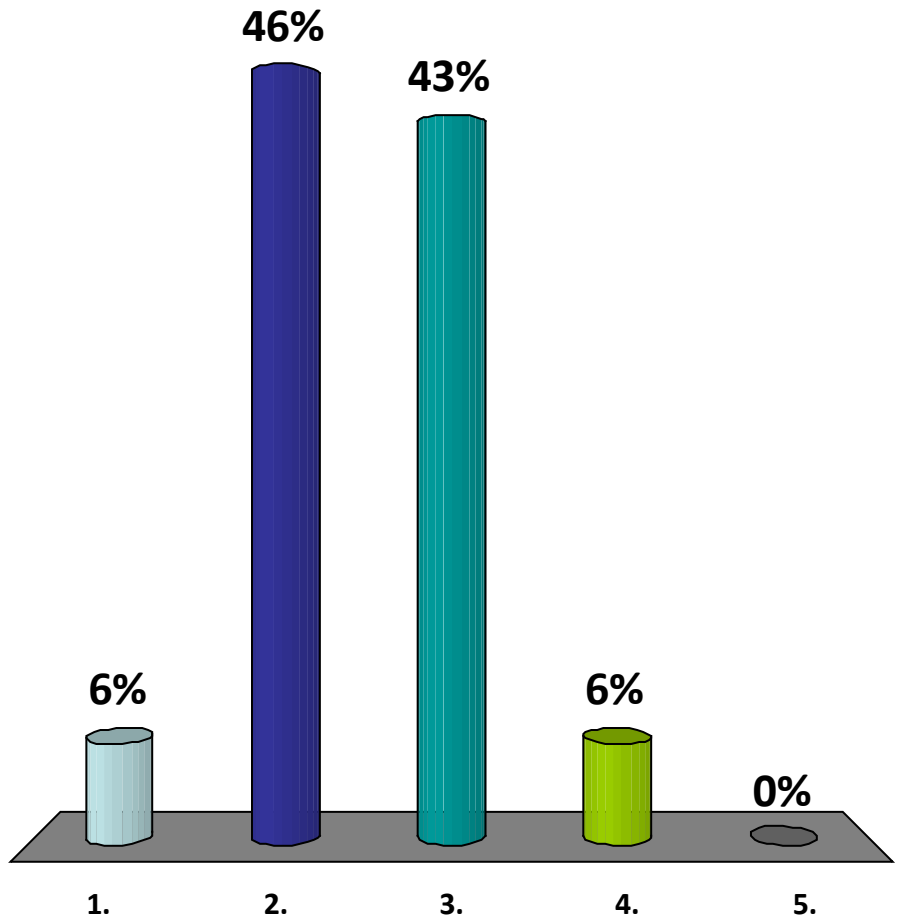
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- Putting edges in array of linked lists: $O(E)$
- Iterating over all edges in ascending order: $O(E)$
- Checking whether to add an edge: $O(\alpha(V))$
- Union two components: $O(\alpha(V))$

Total: $O(\alpha(V)E)$

What is the running time of (modified) Prim's if all the edge weights are in $\{1..10\}$?

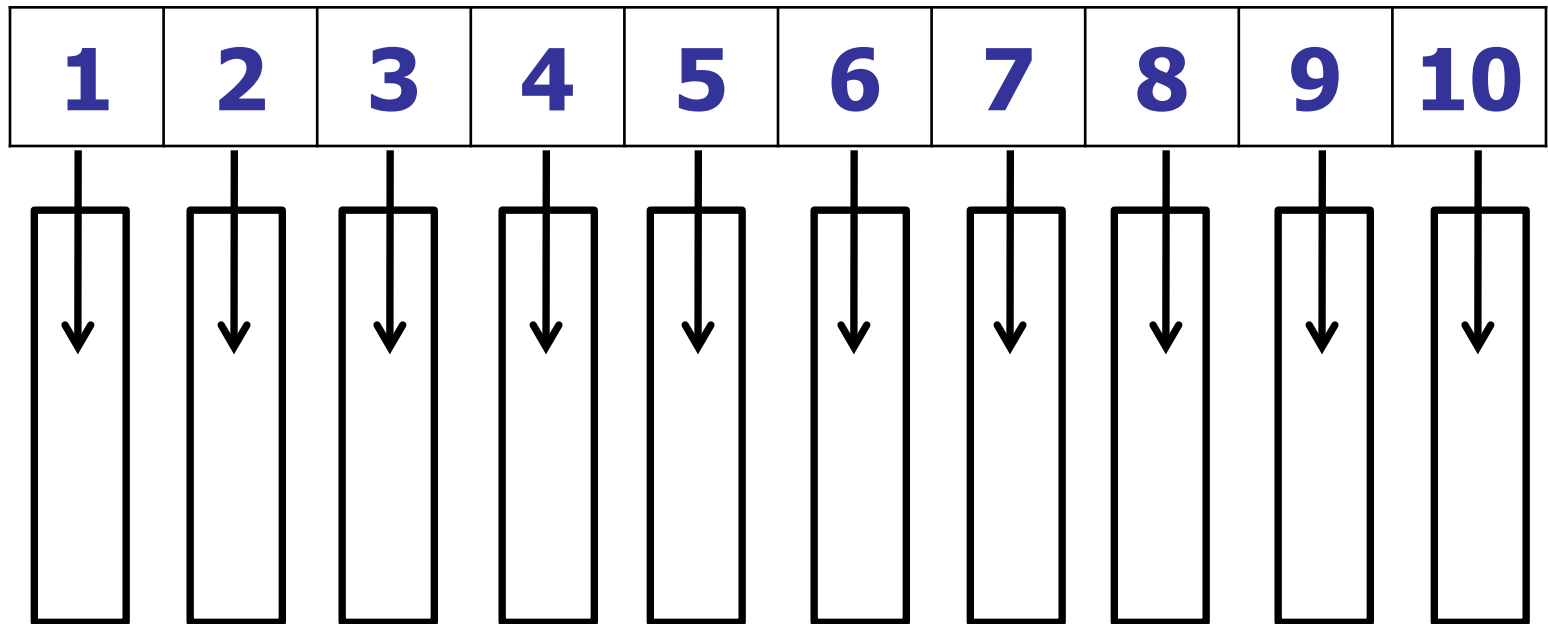
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3. $O(E \log V)$
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5. $O(EV)$



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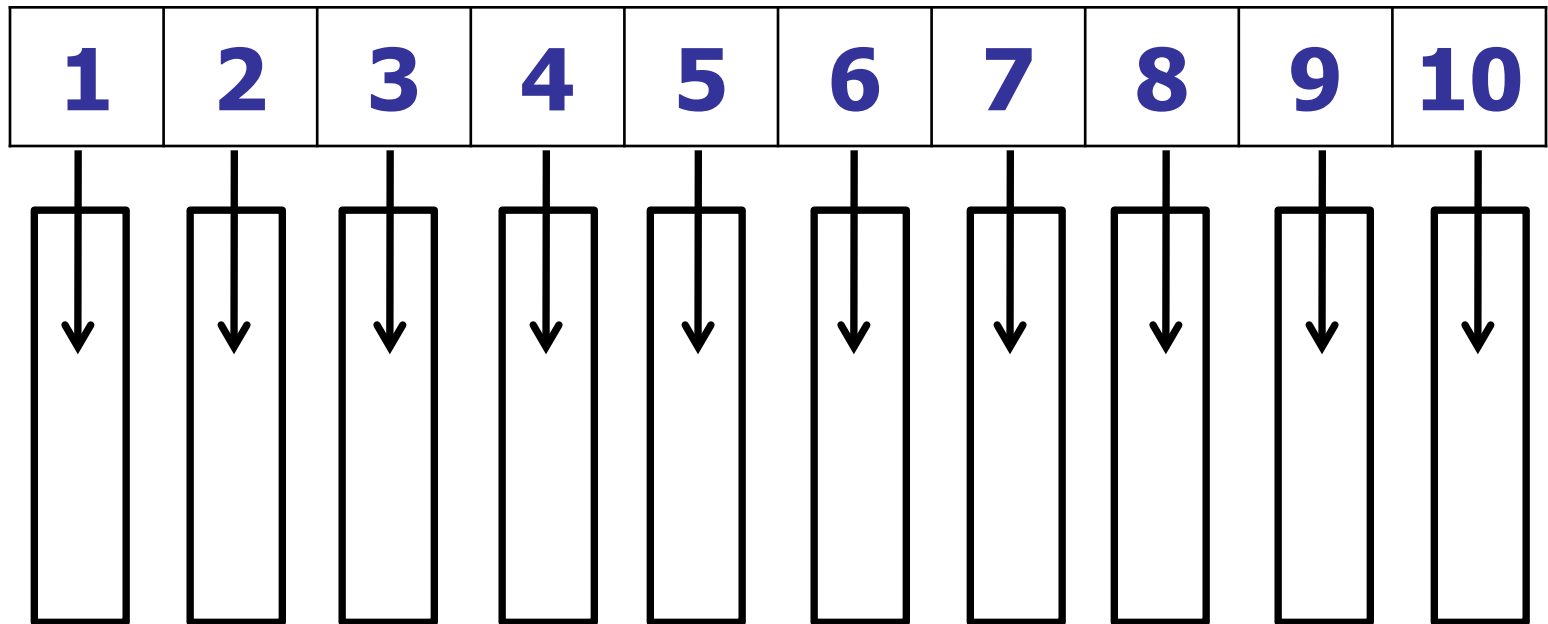


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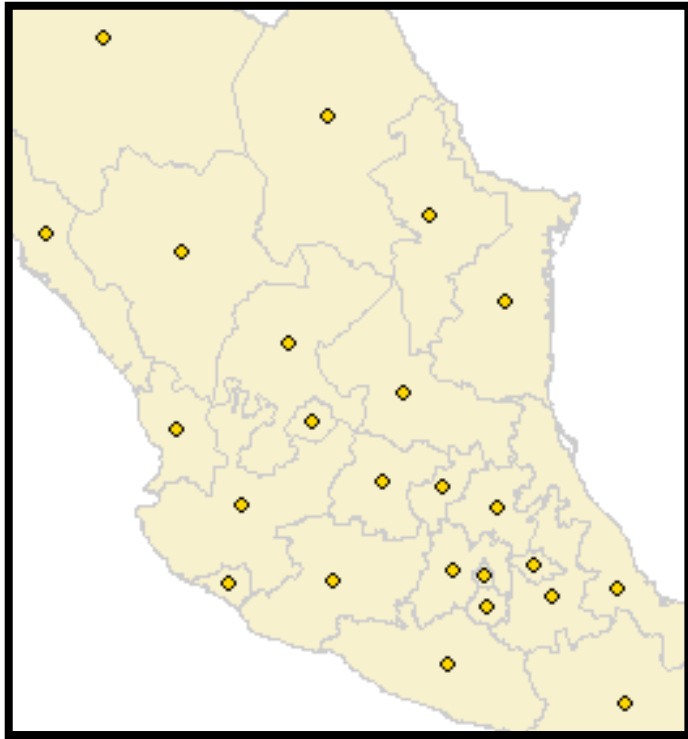
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- Inserting/Removing nodes from PQ: $O(V)$
- decreaseKey: $O(E)$

Total: $O(V + E) = O(E)$

Euclidean Minimal Spanning Tree

- Given point set P , $EMST(P)$ is the tree that spans P and the sum of lengths of all edges is minimal



EMST: Naïve solution

- Compute a complete graph of P with each edge equal to the Euclidean distance
 - $O(n^2)$
- Then run MST
 - $O(n^2 \log n)$
- Any better solution?
 - $O(n \log n)$ by Delaunay Triangulation
 - Come to my computational Geometry Class

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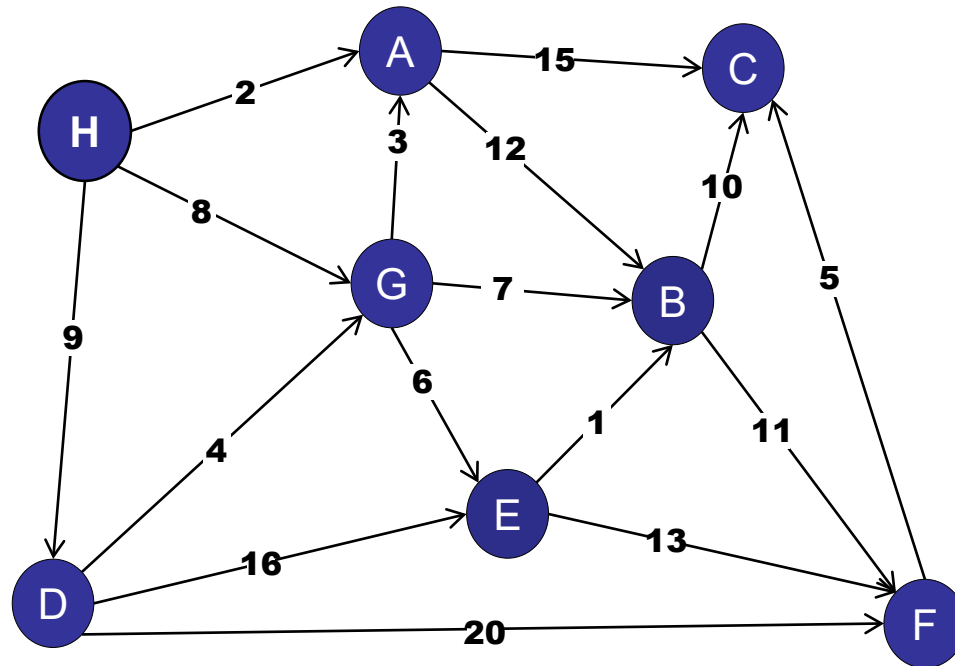
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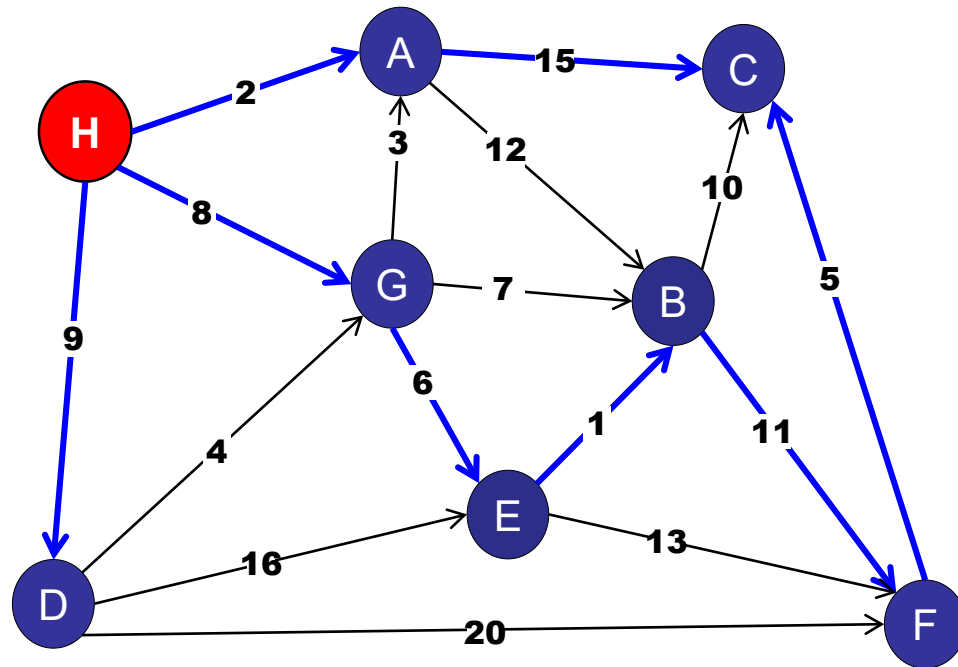
Directed Minimum Spanning Tree

What if the edges are directed?



Directed Minimum Spanning Tree

A rooted spanning tree:



Every node is reachable on a path from the root.

No cycles.

Directed Minimum Spanning Tree

Harder problem:

- Cut property does not hold.
- Cycle property does not hold.
- Generic MST algorithm does not work.

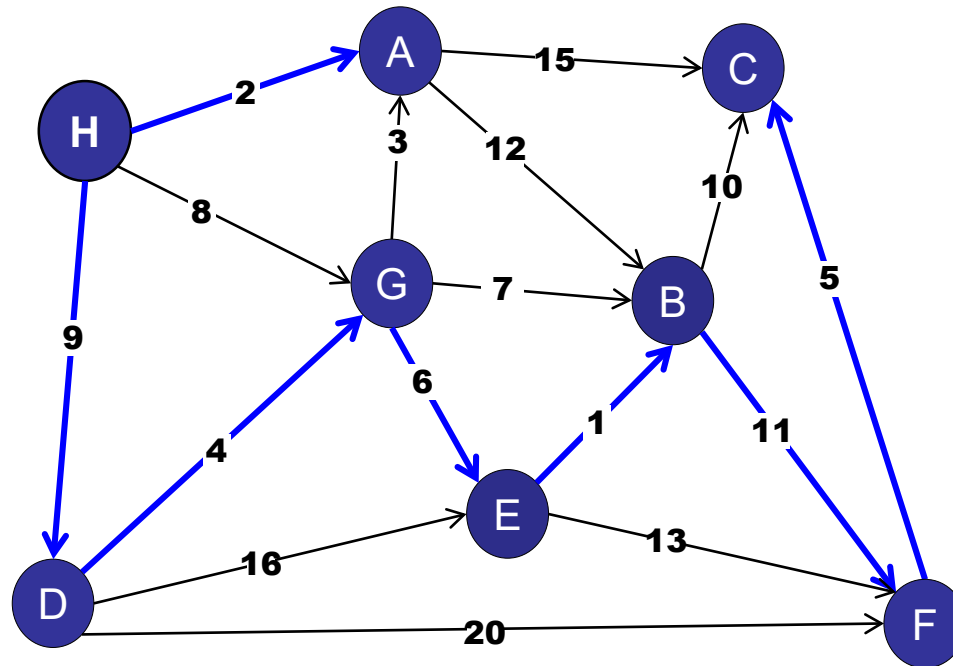
Prim's, Kruskal's, Boruvka's do not work.

See CS3230 / CS5234 for more details...

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- Every node has to have at least one incoming edge in the MST, so this is the minimum spanning tree.

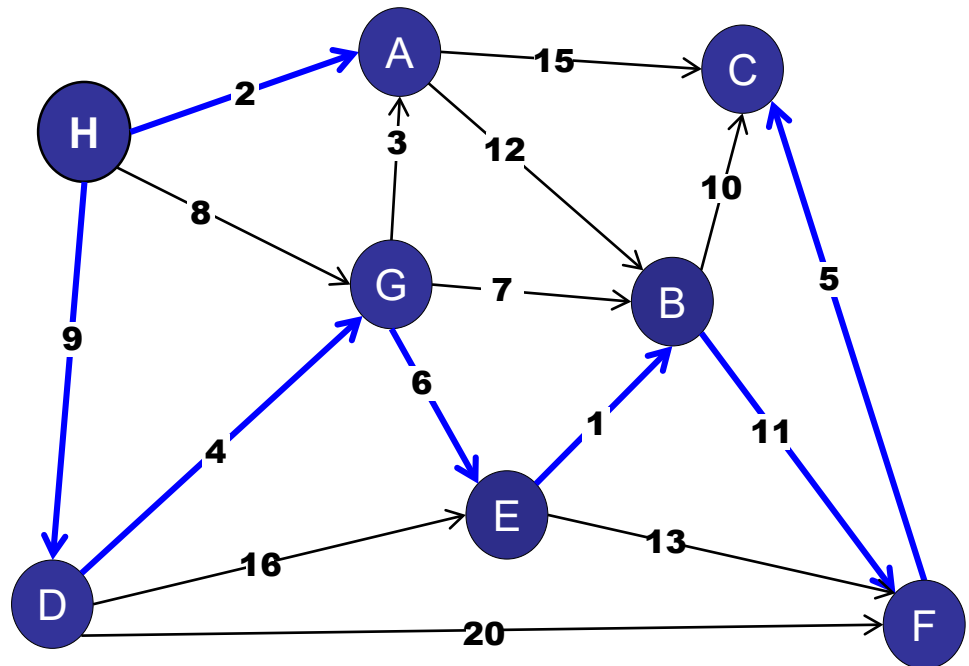
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Conclusion: Minimum Spanning Tree

$O(E)$ time



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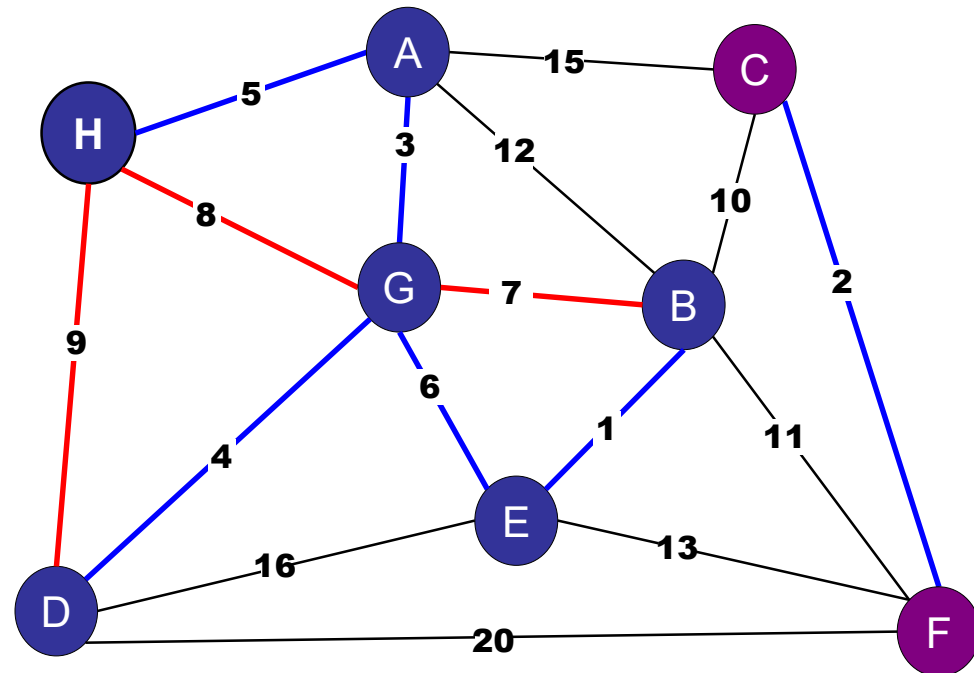
Kruskal's Algorithm. (Kruskal 1956)

Basic idea:

- Sort edges by weight.
- Consider edges in ascending order:
 - If both endpoints are in the **same** blue tree, then color the edge red.
 - Otherwise, color the edge blue.

What matters?

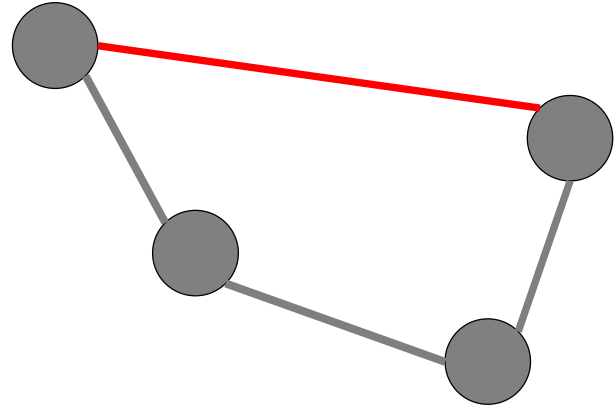
- Relative edge weights.
- Absolute edge weights have no impact.



Generic MST Algorithm

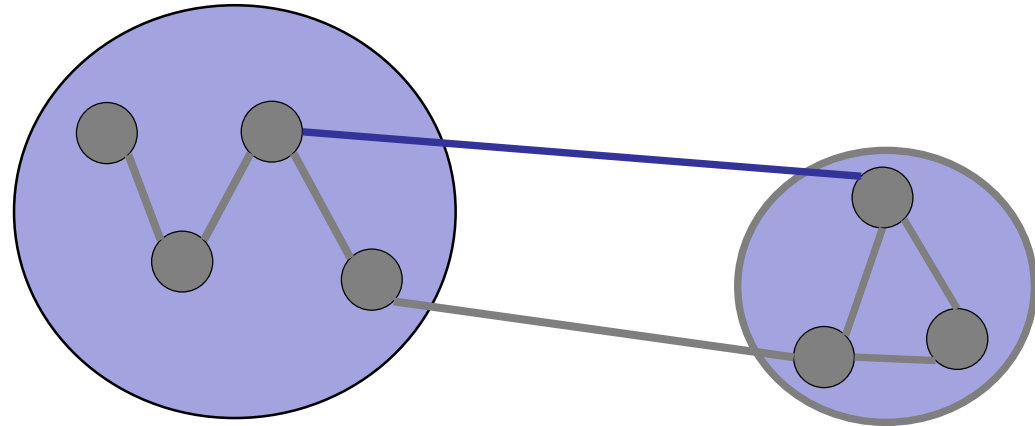
Red rule:

If C is a cycle with no red arcs, then color the max-weight edge in C red.



Blue rule:

If D is a cut with no blue arcs, then color the min-weight edge in D blue.



Maximum Spanning Tree

Reweighting a spanning tree:

- What happens if you add a constant k to the weight of every edge?

No change!

We can add or subtract weights without effecting the MST.

Maximum Spanning Tree

MST with negative weights?

Maximum Spanning Tree

MST with negative weights?

No problem!

1. Reweight MST by adding a big enough value to each edge so that it is positive.
2. Actually, no need to reweight. Only relative edge weights matter, so negative weights have no bad impact.

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A MaxST is a spanning tree of maximum weight.

How do you find a MaxST?

Easy!

1. Multiply each edge weight by -1.
2. Run MST algorithm.
3. MST that is “most negative” is the maximum.

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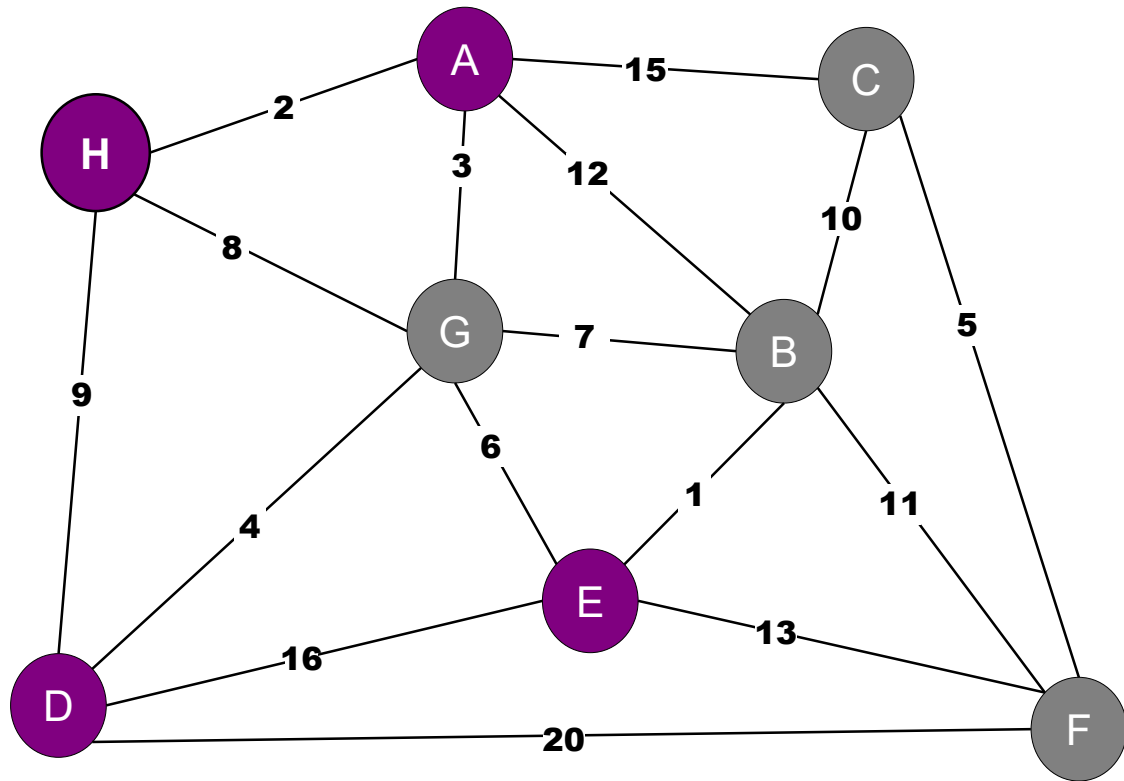
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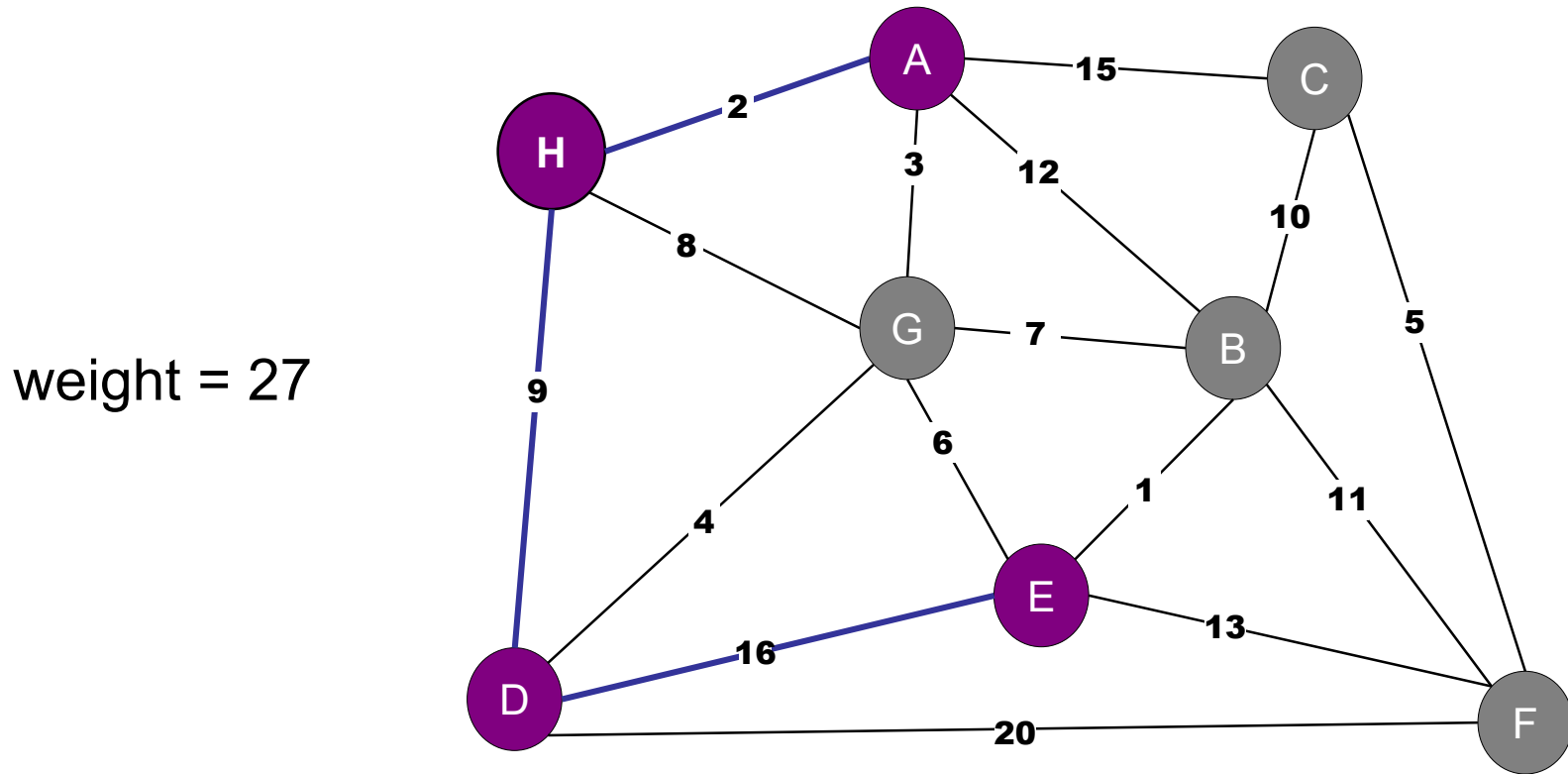
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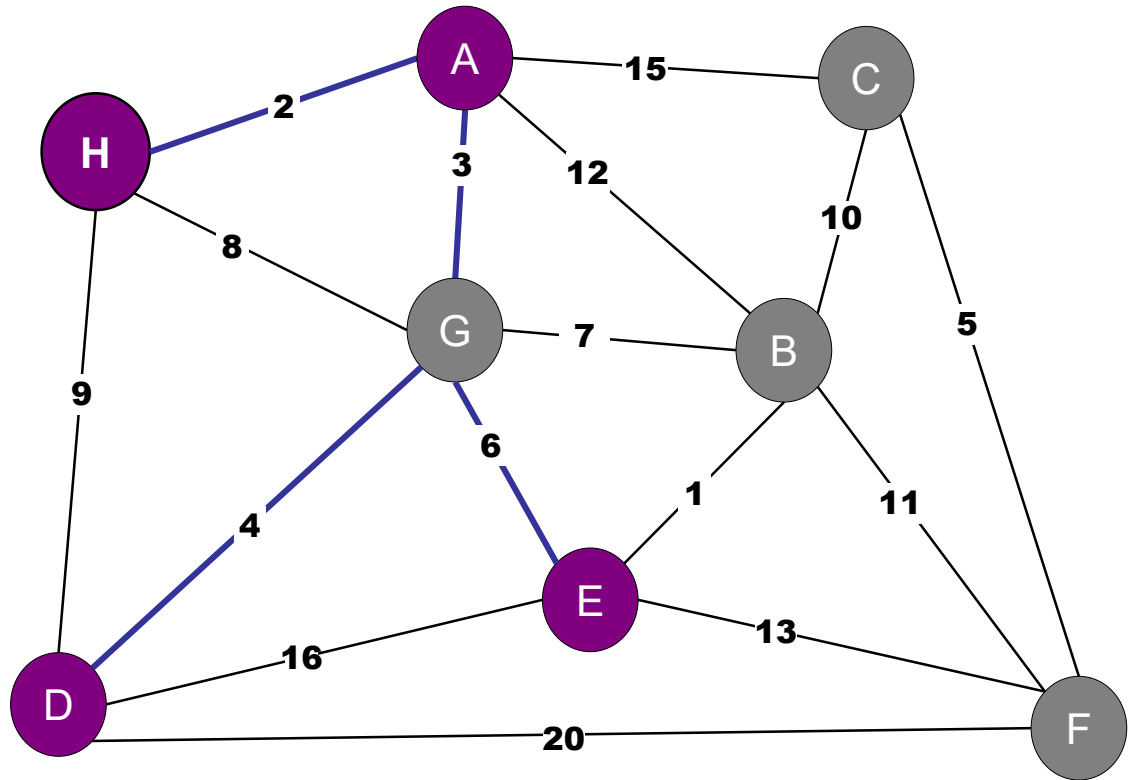


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2. Use other nodes.

weight = 15

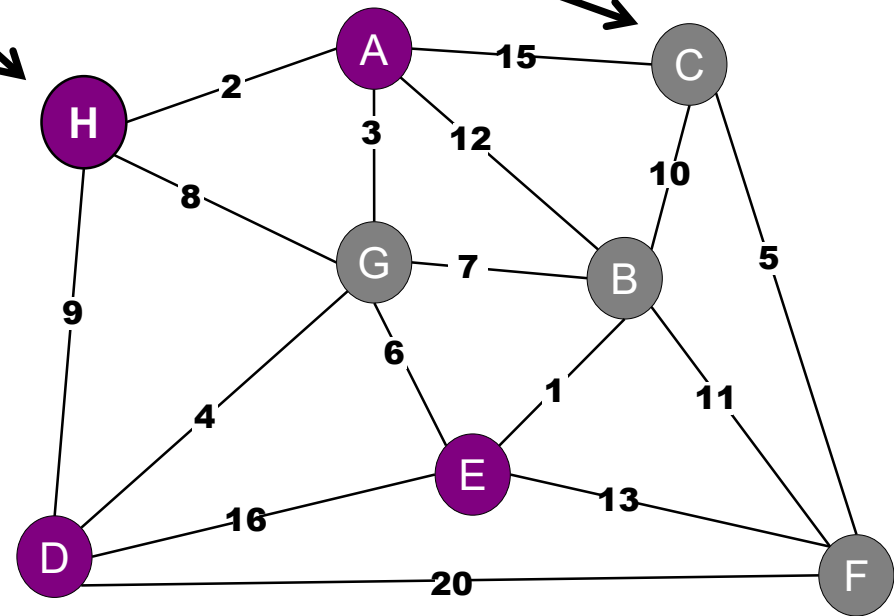


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- Steiner nodes
- Required nodes

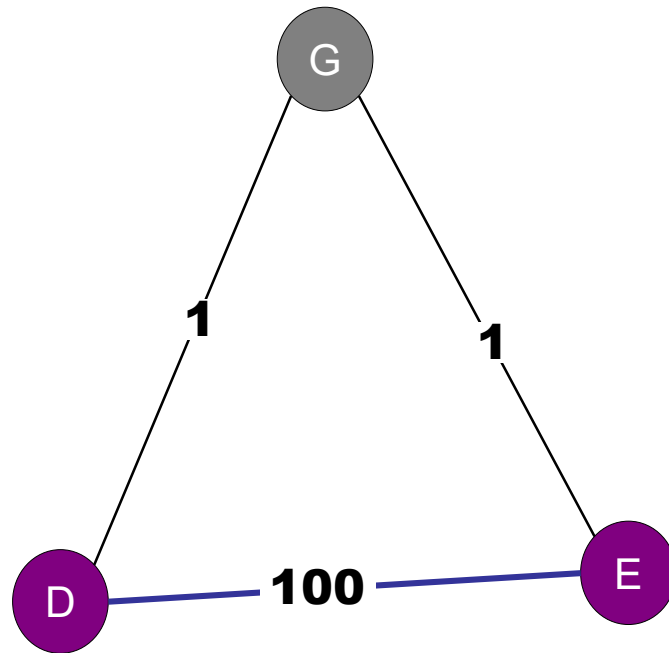
Find spanning tree of required vertices.
You may include Steiner vertices, optionally.



Steiner Tree Problem

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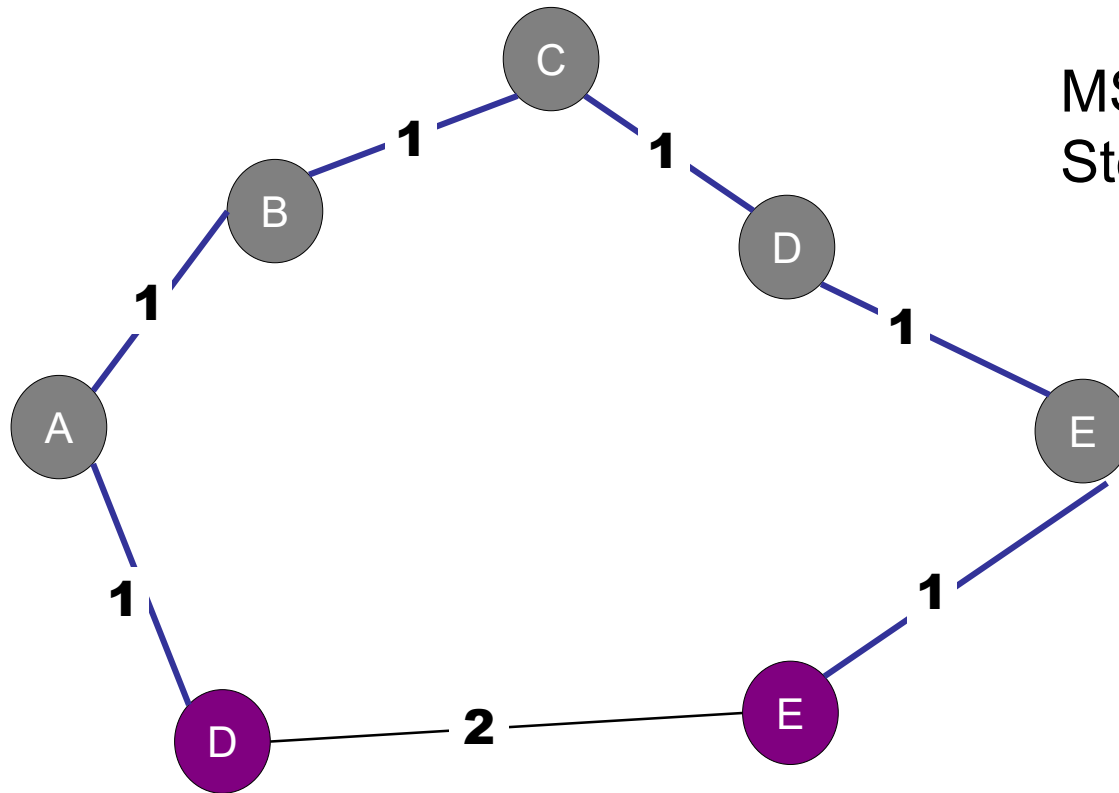
1. Computing MST with **no** Steiner nodes.



Steiner Tree Problem

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2. Computing MST with **all** Steiner nodes.



MST = 6

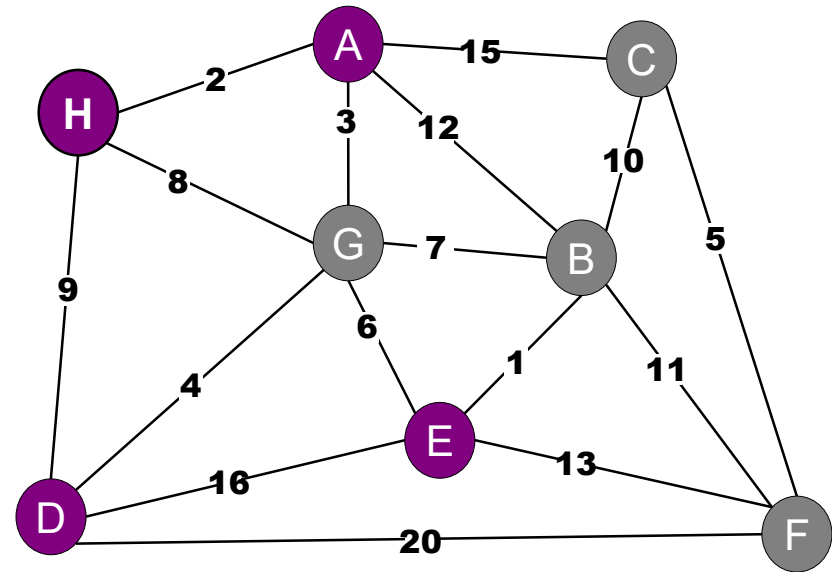
Steiner Tree = 2

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Bad News: NP-Hard

No efficient (polynomial) time algorithm
(unless $P = NP$).



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Good News: Efficient approximation algorithms

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Example:

- Optimal Steiner Tree has cost 50.
- Our algorithm always outputs a solution with cost < 100 .

Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

1. For every pair of required vertices (v, w) , calculate the shortest path from $(v$ to $w)$.
 - Use Dijkstra V times.
 - Or wait until we cover All-Pairs-Shortest-Paths next time.

Steiner Tree Problem

Example: Step 1

Shortest Paths:

$$(A,H) = 2$$

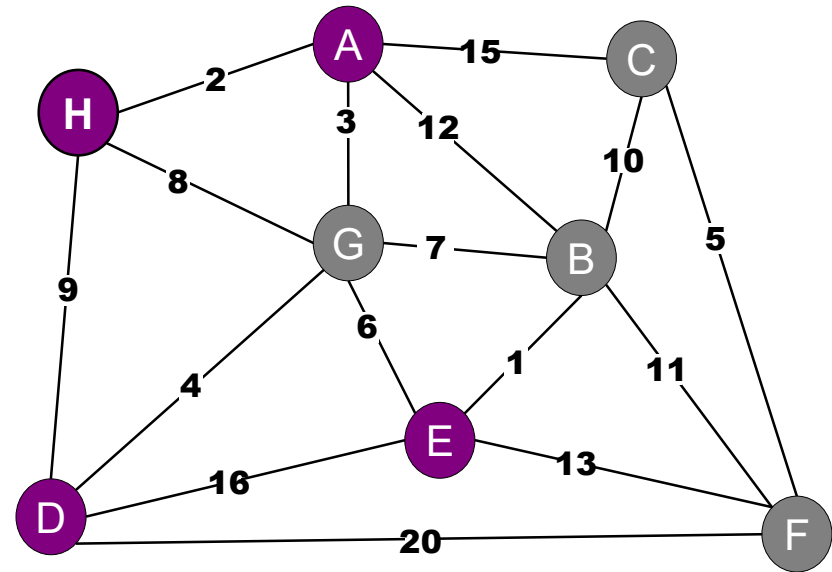
$$(A,D) = 7$$

$$(A,E) = 9$$

$$(H,D) = 9$$

$$(H,E) = 11$$

$$(D,E) = 10$$



Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

1. For every required vertex (v,w) , calculate the shortest path from $(v$ to $w)$.
2. Construct new graph on required nodes.
 - V = required nodes
 - E = shortest path distances

Steiner Tree Problem

Example: Step 2

Shortest Paths:

$$(A,H) = 2$$

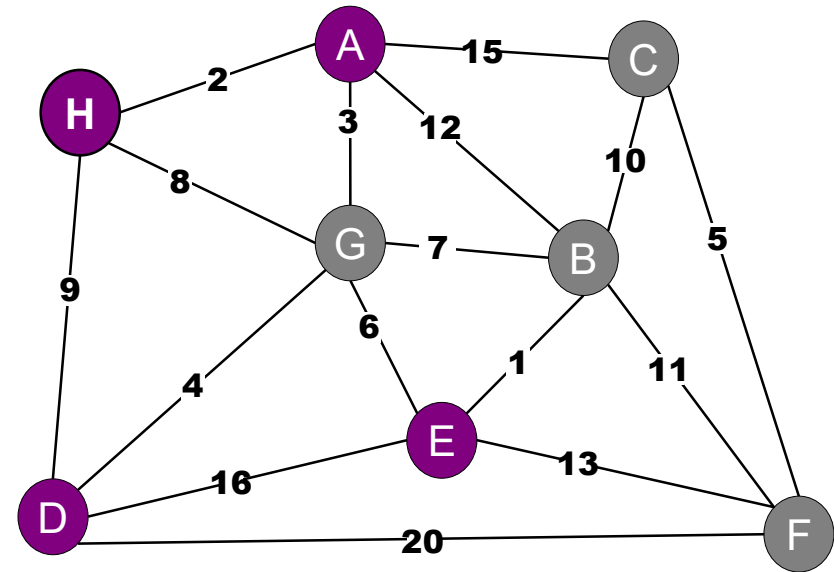
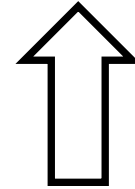
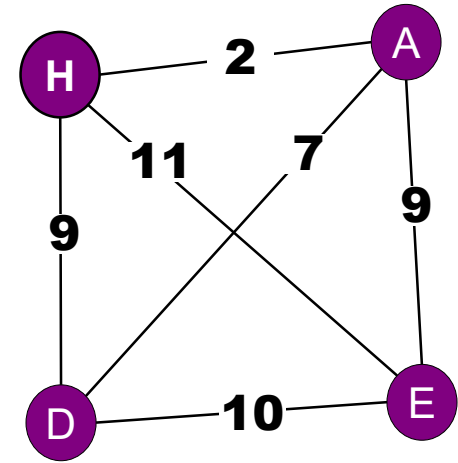
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Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

1. For every required vertex (v,w) , calculate the shortest path from $(v$ to $w)$.
2. Construct new graph on required nodes.
3. Run MST on new graph.
 - Use Prim's or Kruskal's
 - MST gives edges on new graph

Steiner Tree Problem

Example: Step 3

Shortest Paths:

$$(A,H) = 2$$

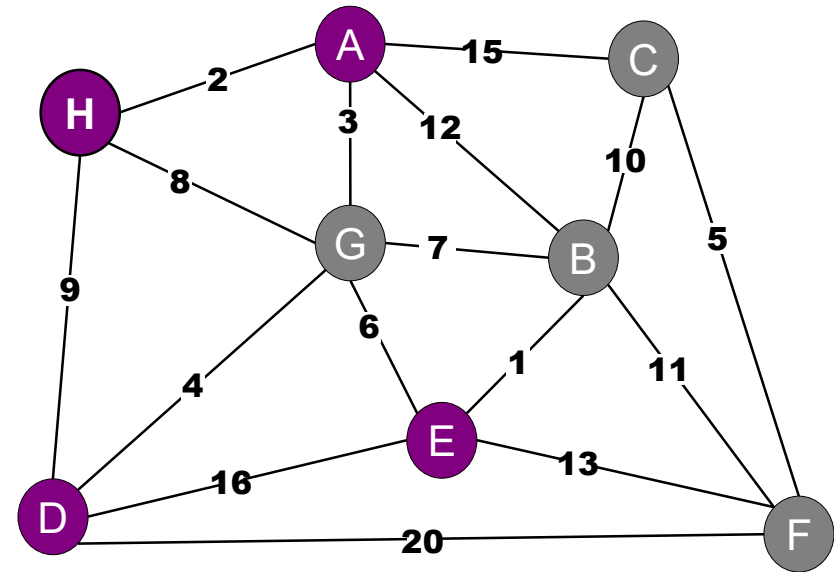
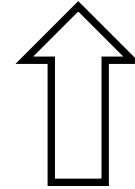
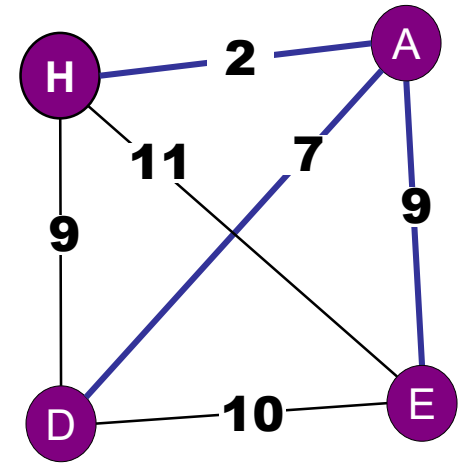
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Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

1. For every required vertex (v,w) , calculate the shortest path from $(v$ to $w)$.
2. Construct new graph on required nodes.
3. Run MST on new graph.
4. Map new edges back to original graph.
 - Use shortest path discovered in Step 1.
 - Add these edges to Steiner MST.
 - Remove duplicates.

Steiner Tree Problem

Example: Step 4

Shortest Paths:

$$(A,H) = 2$$

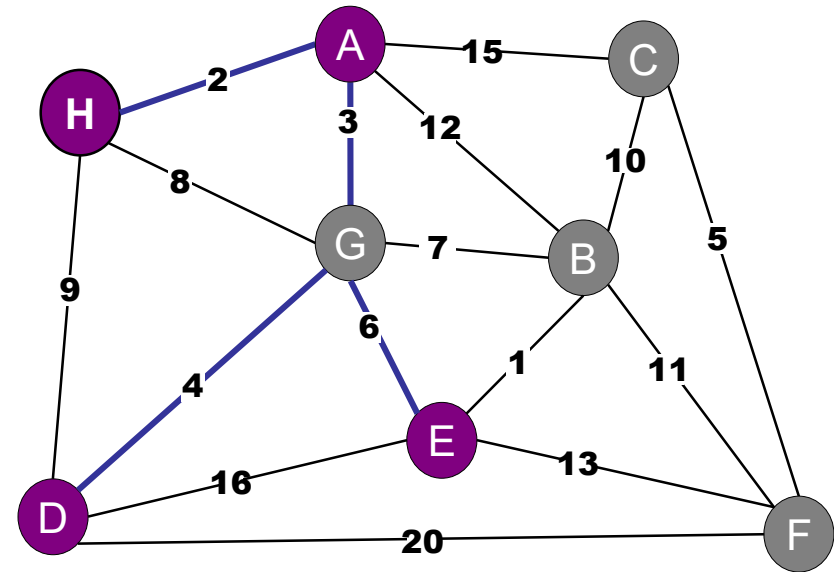
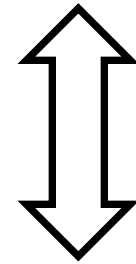
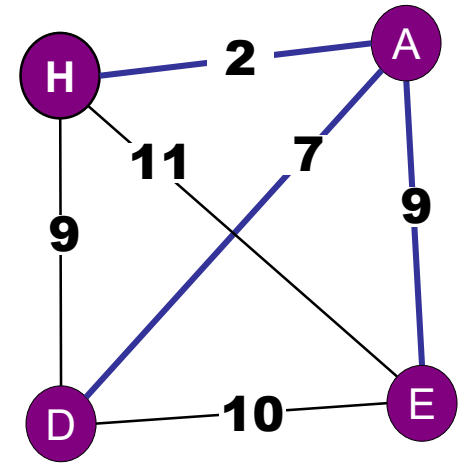
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Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

1. For every required vertex (v,w) , calculate the shortest path from v to w .
2. Construct new graph on required nodes.
3. Run MST on new graph.
4. Map new edges back to original graph.

Note: Does NOT guarantee optimal Steiner tree.

Steiner Tree Problem

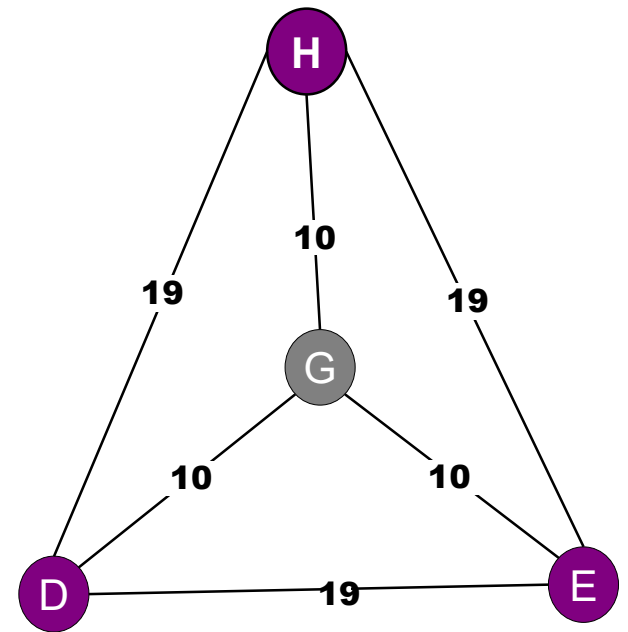
Example:

Shortest Paths:

$$(D,H) = 19$$

$$(D,E) = 19$$

$$(E,H) = 19$$



Steiner Tree Problem

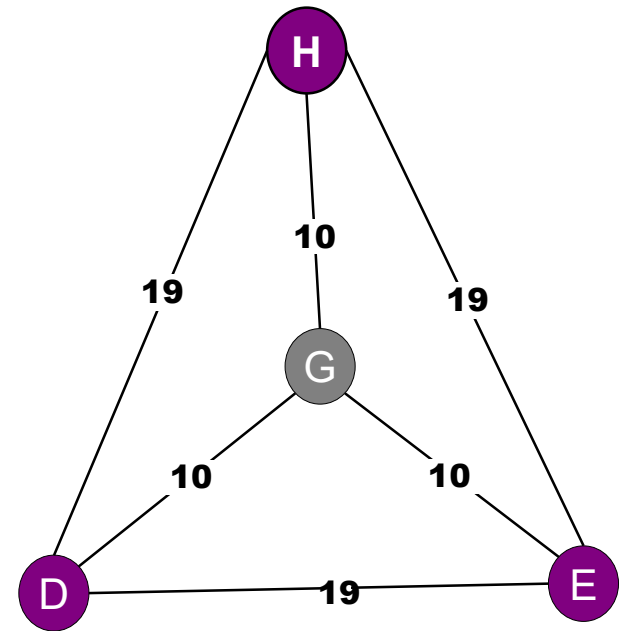
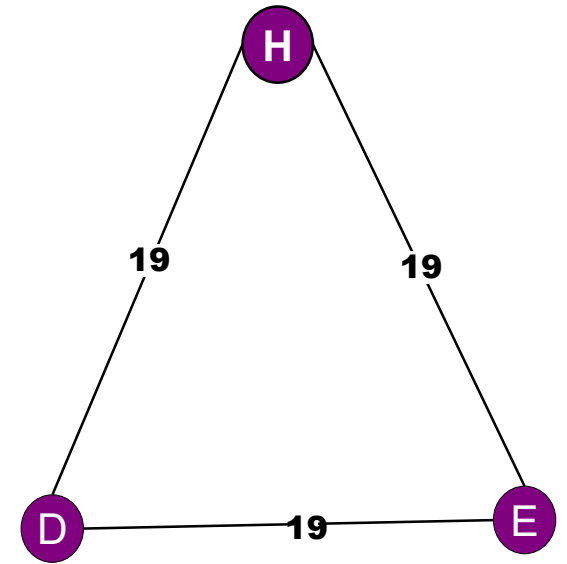
Example:

Shortest Paths:

$$(D,H) = 19$$

$$(D,E) = 19$$

$$(E,H) = 19$$



Steiner Tree Problem

Example:

Shortest Paths:

$$(D,H) = 19$$

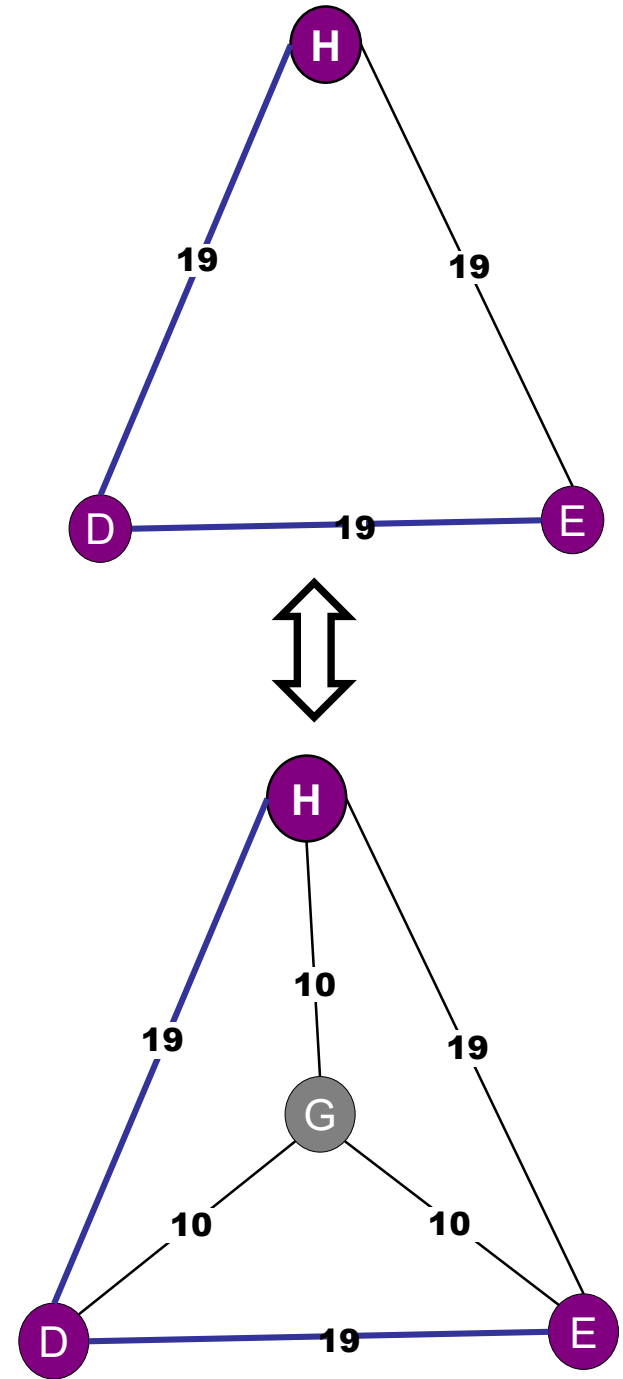
$$(D,E) = 19$$

$$(E,H) = 19$$

Cost = 38:

OPT Steiner = 30

Challenge: bigger gap!



Steiner Tree Problem

Algorithm SteinerMST:

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4. Map new edges back to original graph.

Note: Does NOT guarantee optimal Steiner tree.
Best known approximation: 1.55