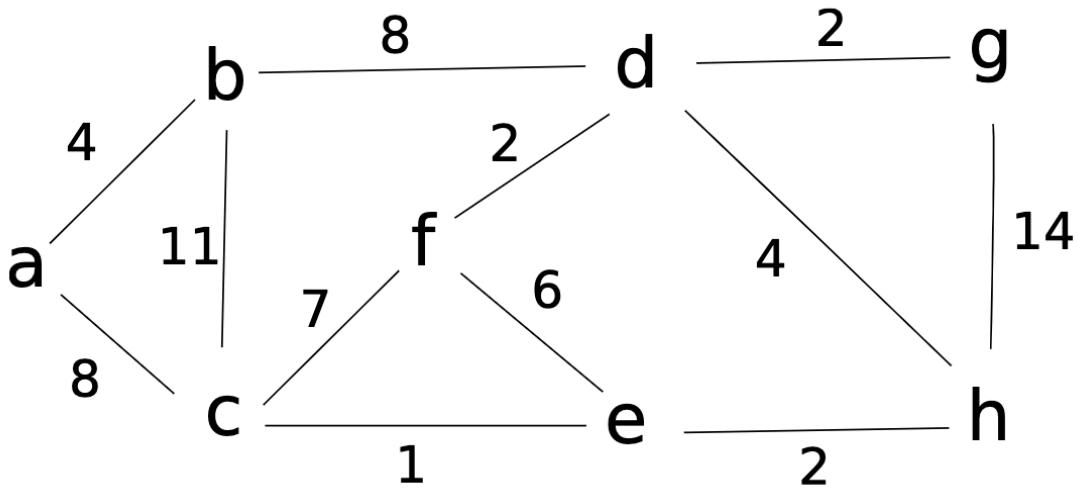


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1. (pts.) Prim's

Suppose Prim's algorithm is run on the following graph, starting at node f .



- Draw a table showing the intermediate *cost* and *prev* values of all the nodes at each iteration of the algorithm.
- Show the final *MST*.
- Run Kruskal's algorithm to find the MST of this graph. Give the edges in the order in which they are added to the MST. Use alphabetical ordering to avoid ambiguities.
- How would you find the *maximum spanning tree*?

2. (pts.) MST: True or False

Consider an undirected and connected graph $G = (V, E)$. Do not assume that edge weights are distinct unless this is specifically stated. For the following statements, give a short explanation for why it is true or give a counterexample if it is false.

- (a) If G has more than $|V| - 1$ edges, and there is a unique heaviest edge e , then e can cannot be part of an MST.
- (b) If G has a cycle with a unique heaviest edge e , then e cannot be part of any MST.
- (c) Let e be any edge of minimum weight in G . Then e must be part of some MST.
- (d) If the lightest edge in a graph is unique, then it must be part of every MST.
- (e) If e is part of some MST of G , then it must be a lightest edge across some cut of G .
- (f) If G has a cycle with a unique lightest edge e , then e must be part of every MST.
- (g) The shortest-path tree computed by Dijkstra's algorithm is necessarily an MST.
- (h) The shortest path between two nodes is necessarily part of some MST.
- (i) Prim's algorithm works correctly when there are negative edges.