

ShanghaiTech University

**CS101 Algorithms and Data Structures**  
**Fall 2024**

Homework 8

Due date: November 27, 2024, at 23:59

1. Please write your solutions in English.
2. Submit your solutions to [gradescope.com](https://gradescope.com).
3. Set your FULL name to your Chinese name and your STUDENT ID correctly in Account Settings.
4. If you want to submit a handwritten version, scan it clearly. **CamScanner** is recommended.
5. When submitting, match your solutions to the problems correctly.
6. No late submission will be accepted.
7. Violations to any of the above may result in zero points.

**1. (12 points) Multiple Choices**

Each question has **one or more** correct answer(s). Select all the correct answer(s). For each question, you will get 0 points if you select one or more wrong answers, but you will get 1 point if you select a non-empty subset of the correct answers.

Write your answers in the following table.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
BD	AC	ABCD	ABD	A	AD

- (a) (2') A planar graph is a graph which can be embedded in a plane i.e. you can find a way to put all vertices on the plane where the edges will not intersect with each other. Which of the statement(s) is/are correct?

A.  $\forall n \leq 5, K_n$  is planar.  $K_n$  means the complete graph with  $n$  vertices.

**B.  $K_6$  is not planar.**

C. DAGs are planar.

**D. A tree is planar.**

E. Bipartite graphs are planar.

- (b) (2') Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ ,  $w(e)$  indicates the weight of edge  $e$ . Which of the statement(s) is/are correct?

**A. Both Kruskal's and Prim's algorithms can correctly find the MST even when  $\exists e, w(e) < 0$ .**

B. Suppose  $G$  is connected and  $|E| = \omega(|V|)$ ,  $G$  has a unique MST if and only if  $\forall e, e' \in E, w(e) = w(e') \Leftrightarrow e = e'$  i.e. weights of edges are distinct.

**C. Suppose  $G' = (V, E)$  is the same graph as  $G$  with different weight function  $v(e)$ . If they share a same MST  $T$ , then  $T$  is also the MST of  $G$  with weights  $u(e) = w(e) + v(e)$ .**

D. If  $G$  contains multi-edges i.e.  $G$  is not simple, then Kruskal's algorithm will fail but Prim's won't fail when finding MST.

- (c) (2') Given a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , which of the following is(are) correct?

**A. If  $G$  is a complete graph with 4 vertices, then the number of spanning trees of  $G$  is 16.**

**B. After Kruskal's algorithm, we choose  $m$  edges, then the number of connected components of  $G$  is  $|V| - m$ .**

**C. If  $G$  is stored in adjacency matrix, then the total time complexity of Kruskal's algorithm can reach  $\Theta(|V|^2 + |E| \log |E|)$ .**

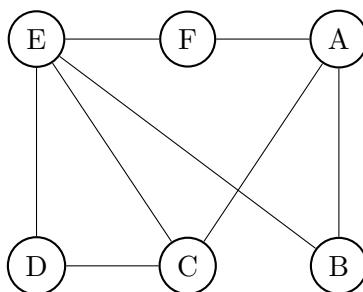
**D. Suppose  $G$  is connected and  $|V| = |E|$ , the maximum number of spanning trees of  $G$  can reach  $\Theta(|V|)$ .**

- (d) (2') Let  $G$  be a weighted undirected graph with positive weights where edge  $e$  has weight  $w_e \in \mathbb{R}^+$  for all  $e \in E$ . A new graph  $G'$ , which is a copy of  $G$ , and the weight of each edge

$e$  in  $G'$  is transformed using a function  $f(w_e)$ . Which of the following statements is/are true?

- A. If  $f(w_e) = w_e^2$ , then any MST in  $G$  is also an MST in  $G'$ .**
- B. If  $f(w_e) = 2^{w_e}$ , then any MST in  $G$  is also an MST in  $G'$ .**
- C. If  $f(w_e) = \frac{1}{w_e}$ , then any MST in  $G$  is also an MST in  $G'$ .
- D. If  $f(w_e) = \log(w_e)$ , then any MST in  $G$  is also an MST in  $G'$ .**

(e) (2') What is the number of spanning trees of following graph?



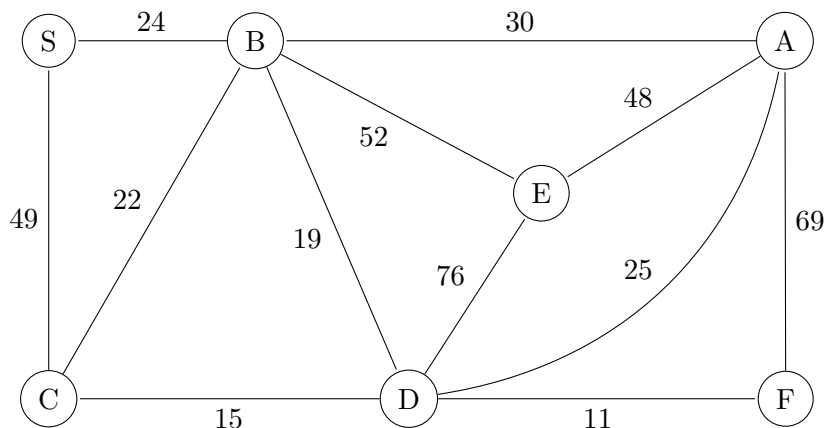
- A. 32**
- B. 34
- C. 36
- D. 38

(f) (2') Which of the following statements are true for MST (Minimum Spanning Tree)?

- A. Suppose  $G$  has multiple MSTs. For each minimum spanning tree  $T$  of a graph  $G$ , there is a way to sort the edges of  $G$  in Kruskal's algorithm so that the algorithm returns  $T$ .**
- B. Prim's algorithm is a divide-and-conquer algorithm because it divides the graph into  $S$  and  $V - S$  then solve.
- C. If we use binary heap to optimize Prim's algorithm when choosing the next edge, it will always have a better time complexity than the original algorithm on any graph.
- D. If we add a new edge  $e = (u, v)$  into a graph  $G = (V, E)$  with unique MST to get a new graph  $G' = (V, E \cup \{e\})$ . There is at most 1 edge difference between the MST of  $G$  and  $G'$ .**

**2. (20 points) Simulation of MST**

Given a graph  $G$  as below:



- (a) (6') Use Prim's algorithm to find the Minimal Spanning Tree of the graph. You should select  $S$  as the root node. Write the visit order of all nodes.

$S \rightarrow \underline{B} \rightarrow \underline{D} \rightarrow \underline{F} \rightarrow \underline{C} \rightarrow \underline{A} \rightarrow \underline{E}$

- (b) (6') Use Kruskal's algorithm to find the Minimal Spanning Tree of the graph. Write the edges chosen in order.

$\underline{DF} \rightarrow \underline{CD} \rightarrow \underline{BD} \rightarrow \underline{BS} \rightarrow \underline{AD} \rightarrow \underline{AE}$

- (c) (2') Are the MST obtained by Prim's algorithm and the one obtained by Kruskal's algorithm the same? (Please write "Yes" or "No".) Yes

- (d) (6') Let's modify the weights of some edges. Please give out the maximum and minimum weight of the edges given that won't change the MST. (You can write  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$  if there is no maximum or minimum weight. You should consider every method of breaking ties.)

- AD: Maximum: 30 Minimum:  $-\infty$
- BC: Maximum:  $+\infty$  Minimum: 19
- DE: Maximum:  $+\infty$  Minimum: 48

**3. (8 points) Designing machine**

Fritia is designing a new machine with  $n$  components and  $m$  wires, with each wires connecting two different components. You can consider this as a connected graph  $G = (V, E)$ . Denote  $e_i \in E$  as  $e_i = (u_i, v_i, s_i)$  where  $e_i$  connects  $u_i$ -th and  $v_i$ -th components and has a maximum transmission speed limit  $s_i$ .

To test her machine, she starts importing data into the 1st component. Unfortunately, each wire has a distinct maximum transmission speed limit  $s_i$ . Fritia wants to find a path which can transmit data as fast as possible for each component. **(The transmission speed limit of a path is the minimum of the maximum transmission speed limit of every wire.)**

Your task is  $\forall 2 \leq i \leq |V|$ , find a path from 1st component to  $i$ -th component, which has the fast transmission speed limit. You should give out the steps of your algorithm (**as efficient as possible**), brief reason of correctness together with the time complexity (tight).

**Hint:** Recall how Kruskal's works. You can use any algorithm taught in class directly.

**Solution:** Description: (5pt)

- Find the **maximum** spanning tree of  $G$  called  $T$ , with weight  $s_i$ .
- Traverse the tree  $T$  from 1, using DFS i.e. see  $T$  as a rooted tree with root 1 then use DFS to traverse it. And initialize the  $i$ -th answer as  $ans_i$  (see  $ans_1$  as  $+\infty$ .)
- When it comes to the  $i$ -th component ( $i \neq 1$ ), we can obtain its parent on the tree, denote it as  $par_i$ -th component. And the wire between them as  $e = (par_i, i, s)$ . Then the maximum transmission speed limit of  $i$ -th component is the minimum between the maximum transmission speed limit of  $par_i$ -th component and the maximum transmission speed limit of  $s$  i.e.  $ans_i = \min\{ans_{par_i}, s\}$ .

Correctness: (2pt)

- Use contradiction: For vertex  $i$ , if  $\exists$  an edge  $e'$  not in MST and a path containing  $e'$  which has a higher limit. Add the edge into the maximum spanning tree to get  $T'$ . There must exists a cycle in  $T'$ , and we know the cycle must contain some edge  $e''$  with lower limit otherwise the path won't have a higher limit using  $e'$ . Then deleting  $e''$  and adding  $e'$  will make a new spanning tree which has more weights, contradicts to MST. (2pts)
- $G$  is connected so every vertices can be reached. (1pts, but not extra points.)

Time complexity:  $O(|E| \log |E|)$ . (MST takes  $O(|E| \log |E|)$ , the traverse takes  $O(|V|)$ .) (1pt). (The efficiency of your algorithm will also matter. If not efficient enough, you will lose points.)