

2019-11-14 Finishing up DFS trees and building MSTs

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Announcement

- CS Club Hackathon fundraiser at Applebees 11/17 from 5-9PM!

Articulation Point Algorithm Efficiency

- Having constructed a DFS tree w/ back edges, give each node in the tree an "ID" based on the order in which it was visited (root -> #1)
- Next, find the lowest ID of the node that can be reached in the tree by taking zero or more forward (solid) edges, and up to one back edge (dotted line)
- Express this as a fraction with step #1 numerator, step #2 denominator
 - I.e. ID / LOW ID VALUE
- A node is an articulation point
 - if and only if it is a root and has more than two children OR
 - When the node's direct child(ren) have a LOW VALUE \geq its ID value

- If we invert our thinking and start with the bottom of the tree and work our way up, we only have to inspect each node once for step #2 of the above algorithm, thereby reducing the entire algorithm to $O(V)$

$O(V)$ - relative to # vertices

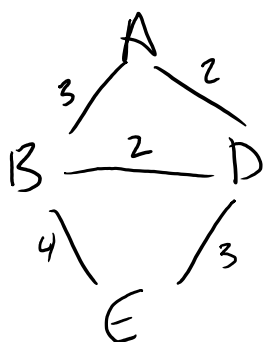
$O(E)$ - relative to # edges

$$O(V) \quad |E| \leq |V|^2$$

Minimum Spanning Trees

- An algorithm that determines the minimum cost edges required to maintain connectivity in a graph

Example Graph with Edge Weights



Depending on application domain, weights might represent

- Cost (\$)
- Distance
- Time
- Throughput

MST finds the "cheapest" way to connect the entire graph, but some routes may become slower (e.g. A->B in our example graph)

How might we represent edge weights programmatically?

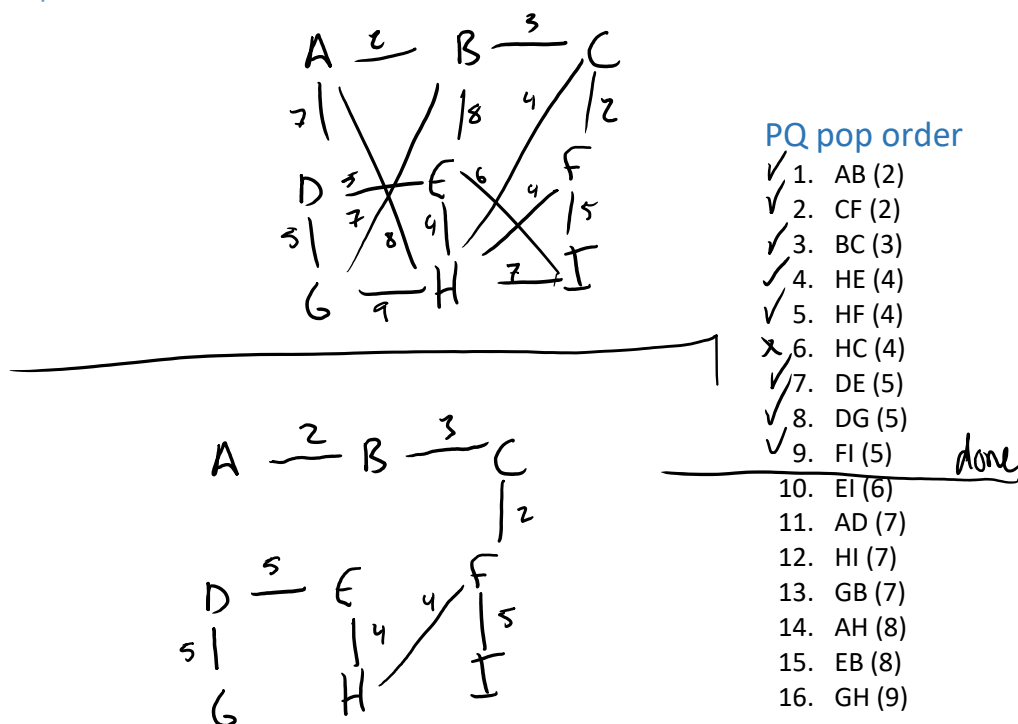
- Adjacency Matrix: Store edge weight in cell rather than always 1 or 0
- Edge list: store both edge weight and cost (good use of HT)
 - Key: Vertex*, Value: Edge Weight

Kruskal's Minimum Spanning Tree Algorithm

- Put all edges into a min priority queue

2. Pop off edge. See if edge connects a new node to the graph. If so, "accept" the edge. Otherwise, reject.

Example



Considerations

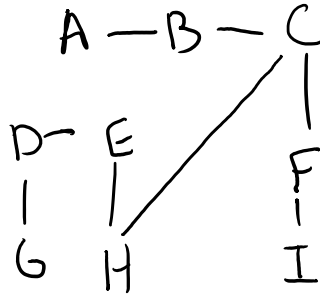
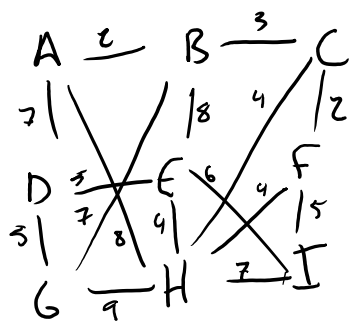
- How do we determine done-ness?
 - Once you have accepted $V-1$ edges, you're done
- How do you determine if two vertices are already connected?
 - Set operations are required
 - Basic set class can union and intersection is linear, However...
 - If all you're doing is union on disjoint sets, there exists a data structure called Disjoint Set that can perform unions in Log^*N time (almost $O(1)$).
 - $\text{Log}^*(1) = \text{Log}(1)$
 - $\text{Log}^*(2) = \text{Log}(\text{Log}(2))$
 - $\text{Log}^*(3) = \text{Log}(\text{Log}(\text{Log}(3)))$
- Analysis of Kruskal's Algorithm
 - Create PQ — $O(E)$
 - While not fully connected: $O(V)$
 - Pop off item from PQ add to graph if connects two disjoint items $O(\text{Log} E)$

$O(V \text{Log} E)$

Prim's MST Algorithm

1. Pick some arbitrary starting vertex. Add all outgoing edges into a PQ
2. While graph is not fully connected:
 - a. Pop off top edge. If vertex not seen before, accept vertex. Push all new edges from this accepted vertex into the PQ.





- PQ
- ✓ AB (2)
 - AH (8)
 - AD (7)
 - ✓ • BC (3)
 - BE (8)
 - BG (7)
 - ✓ • CF (2)
 - ✓ • CH (4)
 - ✓ • FI (5)
 - ✗ • FH (4)
 - ✓ • EH (4)
 - HI (7)
 - ✓ • HG (9)
 - ✓ • DE (5)
 - EI (6)