

Module 5

Greedy Method

Greedy Method

- There is a problem with 'n' inputs
- ***Feasible solution*** : Obtain a subset that satisfies some constraints
- ***Optimal Solution*** : Find a feasible solution that either maximizes or minimizes a given objective function
- This method finds the feasible solutions as per the constraints and **finds the optimal solution** from it. The **optimum value can be a maximum or minimum value** depending upon the problem constraints

Greedy Method

- For Eg : We want to find the tallest person from a group. We have their heights. In this method first we will set a bench mark (Eg: height more than 6 feet). Then remove all entries less than 6 feets. It is the feasible solution list. Then find the optimal one, that is the maximum value.
- Similarly if it is for finding a fastest athlete of a season we will set time like 100 meters in less than 10 seconds. Makes feasible solution and go for athlete with minimum value, right?
- I think you got the idea.

Greedy Method

- At each stage, a decision is made regarding whether a particular is in an Optimal Solution.
- Consider the inputs in an order determined by some selection procedure.
- If the inclusion of the next input into a partially constructed optimal solution will result in an infeasible solution, then that input is not added in the partial solution.
- Otherwise it is added

Greedy Method

```
Algorithm Greedy(a,n)    // n inputs  
{  
  solution =  $\phi$           // initialize the solution  
  for(i=1 to n) do  
  {  
    x= Select (n)  
    if (Feasible (solution,x) then  
      solution = Union(solution,x)  
    }  
  return Solution  
}
```

Knapsack Problem

- It is an optimization problem
- Given a set of items, each with a weight and a value (Profit), determine a subset of items to include in a collection so that the total weight is less than or equal to a given limit (Capacity of Knapsack or a bag) and the total value (profit) is as large as possible
- Two types :
 - Fractional Knapsack problem
 - 0/1 Knapsack Problem

Knapsack Problem

- In 0/1 knapsack problem we can either add an item fully or not add. I.e. Either take it completely or not take.
- Where as in fractional knapsack problem we can take a fraction of an item. That is , if an item cannot be added completely, a fraction of it can be added.
- **In greedy method, we solve the fractional knapsack problem.**
- 0/1 Knapsack problem will be discussed later (using Backtracking method)

Knapsack Problem (Fractional)

- There are 'n' objects and a Knapsack or bag with capacity 'm'. Object 'i' has a weight 'w_i' and a profit 'p_i'
- If a fraction x_i , $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$, of object 'i' can be placed into the knapsack, a profit $p_i x_i$ is earned.
- The objective is to fill the Knapsack that maximizes the total Profit.
- Since the capacity of Knapsack is 'm', the total weight of all chosen objects must be at most 'm'

Knapsack Problem (Fractional)

- The problem can be stated as

$$\text{Maximize } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot p_i$$

$$\text{Subject to the constraint } \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot w_i \leq m$$

Where $0 \leq x_i \leq 1$

- An optimal solution must fill the knapsack exactly, otherwise we could add a fraction of one of the remaining items and increase the overall profit
- Thus, an optimal solution can be obtained by

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot w_i = m$$

Knapsack Problem (Fractional)

- In order to solve the problem we must sort those objects according to the value of p_i/w_i such that $p_i/w_i \geq p_{i+1}/w_{i+1}$ (Decreasing order of the ratio)
- Lets check the algorithm.
- Two arrays $p[1:n]$ and $w[1:n]$ contains profit and weights of respectively
- Here m is the size of the Knapsack and there are n objects sorted such that $p_i/w_i \geq p_{i+1}/w_{i+1}$
- $x[1:n]$ is the solution vector
- The final profit will be obtained by adding all $x_i p_i$

Knapsack Problem (Fractional)

- Algorithm Greedy_Knapsack(m,n)

```
{
    for i=1 to n do
        x[i]=0           // Initialize x[]
    U = m                // U is the Remaining capacity, initially m.
    for i=1 to n do
    {
        If (w[i]>U) then
            break
        x[i] = 1
        U = U-w[i]
    }
    if(i<=n) then x[i] = U/w[i]    // Adding the fraction of last object
}
```

Knapsack Problem (Fractional) – Example1

- Let the capacity of Knapsack, $m=60$, $n=4$

Item	1	2	3	4
Profit	280	100	120	120
Weight	40	10	20	24
Ratio (p_i/w_i)	7	10	6	5

- After Sorting

Item	1	2	3	4
Profit	100	280	120	120
Weight	10	40	20	24
Ratio (p_i/w_i)	10	7	6	5

Knapsack Problem (Fractional) – Example 1

- Initially available space

$$U = 60 \quad (U = m)$$

- Solution Array $x = [0,0,0,0]$

1) $W1 = 10 \quad 10 \leq 60$

- So add 1st item **$w1 = 10$**
- $X = [1,0,0,0]$
- $U = 60 - 10 = 50$

2) $W2 = 40 \quad 40 \leq 50$

- So add 2nd item $W2 = 40$
- $X = [1,1,0,0]$
- $U = 50 - 40 = 10$

3) $W3 = 20 \quad 20 > 10$

- So break....

➤ But $i \leq n$

- $X3 = U/w3$
- ie. $X3 = 10/20 = 0.5$
- $X = [1,1,0.5,0]$

➤ Let's stop here.

➤ Total Profit

$$\begin{aligned} &= 1 \times 100 + 1 \times 280 + 0.5 \times 120 + 0 \times 24 \\ &= \mathbf{440} \end{aligned}$$

➤ Total Weight

$$= 1 \times 10 + 1 \times 40 + 0.5 \times 20 + 0 \times 24 = \mathbf{60}$$

Knapsack Problem (Fractional) – Example 2

- Let the capacity of Knapsack, $m=20$, $n=3$

Item	1	2	3
Profit	25	24	15
Weight	18	15	10
Ratio (p_i/w_i)	1.38	1.6	1.5

- After Sorting

Item	1	2	3
Profit	24	15	25
Weight	15	10	18
Ratio (p_i/w_i)	1.6	1.5	1.38

Knapsack Problem (Fractional) – Example 2

- Initially available space

$$U = 20 \quad (U = m)$$

- Solution Array $x = [0,0,0]$

1) $W1 = 15 \quad 15 \leq 20$

- So add 1st item $w1 = 15$
- $X = [1,0,0]$
- $U = 20 - 15 = 5$

2) $W2 = 10 \quad 10 > 5$

- So break....

➤ But $i \leq n$

- $X2 = U/w2$
- ie. $X2 = 5/10 = 0.5$
- $X = [1,0.5,0]$

➤ Let's stop here.

➤ **Total Profit**

$$= 1 \times 24 + 0.5 \times 15 + 0 \times 25$$
$$= \mathbf{31.5}$$

➤ **Total Weight**

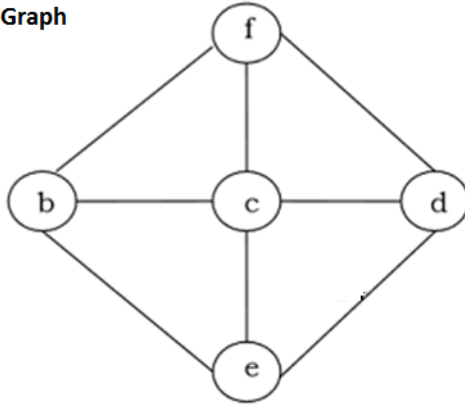
$$= 1 \times 15 + 0.5 \times 10 + 0 \times 18 = \mathbf{20}$$

Spanning Trees

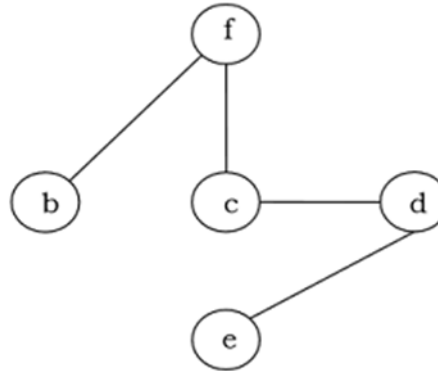
- Let $G=(V,E)$ be an **undirected connected graph**. A subgraph $T=(V,E')$ of G is a spanning tree of G , iff. T is a Tree
- A **spanning tree** is a subset of Graph G , which has all the vertices covered with minimum possible number of edges.
- A **spanning tree** does not have cycles
- Every connected and undirected Graph has at least one spanning tree
- Spanning tree has **$n-1$** edges, where **n** is the number of nodes (vertices).

Spanning Trees

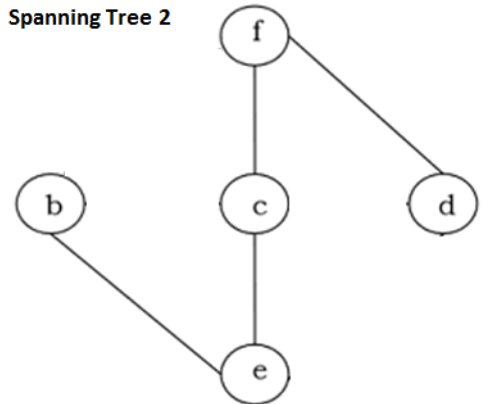
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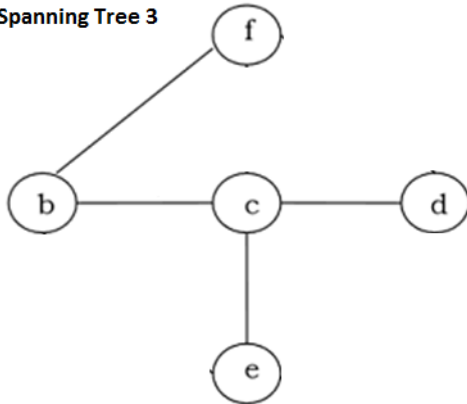
Spanning Tree 1



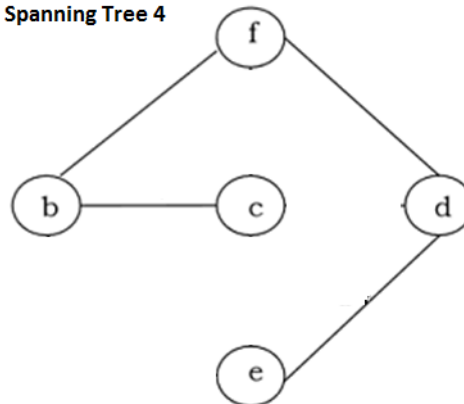
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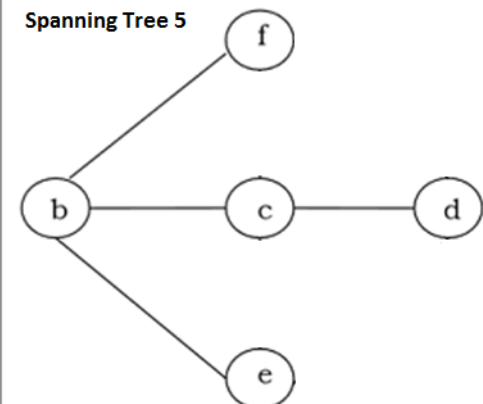
Spanning Tree 3



Spanning Tree 4



Spanning Tree 5



Spanning Trees

- A connected graph G can have more than one spanning tree.
- All possible spanning trees of graph G , have the same number of edges and vertices.
- The spanning tree does not have any cycle (loops).
- Removing one edge from the spanning tree will make the graph disconnected, i.e. the spanning tree is **minimally connected**.
- Adding one edge to the spanning tree will create a circuit or loop, i.e. the spanning tree is **maximally acyclic**.

Minimum Cost Spanning Tree

- A *minimum spanning tree (MST)* or minimum weight spanning tree for a **weighted, connected and undirected graph** is a spanning tree with **weight less than or equal to the weight of every other spanning tree**.
 - In a weighted graph, a minimum spanning tree is a spanning tree that has minimum weight than all other spanning trees of the same graph.
- The weight of a spanning tree is the sum of weights given to each edge of the spanning tree.
- In real-world situations, this weight can be measured as distance, congestion, traffic load or any arbitrary value denoted to the edges.

Minimum Cost Spanning Tree

- Minimum Spanning-Tree Algorithm
 - Kruskal's Algorithm
 - Prim's Algorithm
- In Greedy method to obtain a minimum cost spanning tree, the tree is built edge by edge.
- The next edge to include is chosen according to some optimization criteria.

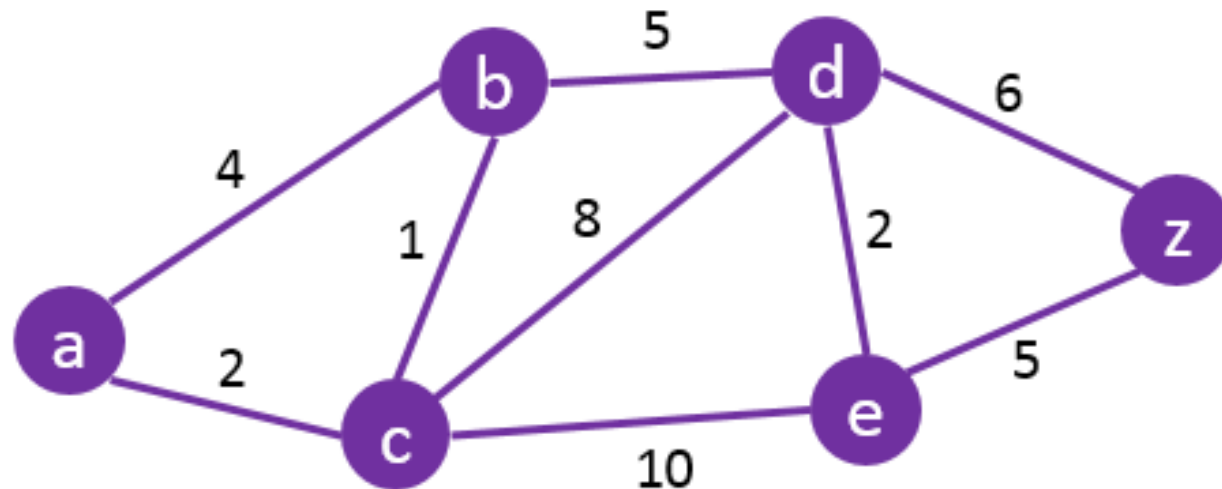
Kruskals Algorithm

- We have a weighted graph and a spanning tree with minimum total weight must be created.
- Here, the edges of the graph are considered in non-decreasing order (Ascending order) of the cost.
 - **First list out all edges in order of their cost**
- Select each edge such that it will not form a cycle. If so, add the edge into the group spanning tree edges.
- If there are ' n ' vertices, there must be ' $n-1$ ' edges. So if we the no. of edges reaches ' $n-1$ ' we can stop.
- **Note : while creating the spanning tree there may be a set of trees (forest). Not necessary to have a single tree. Finally we will get a single spanning tree.**

Kruskals Algorithm

- 1) Sort all the edges in non-decreasing order of their weight.
- 2) Pick the smallest edge. Check if it forms a cycle with the spanning tree formed so far.
 - If cycle is not formed, include this edge.
 - Else, discard it.
- 3) Repeat step #2 until there are **$V-1$ edges** in the spanning tree (*V is the no. of vertices*).

Kruskals Algorithm - Example



Edges (in the order)

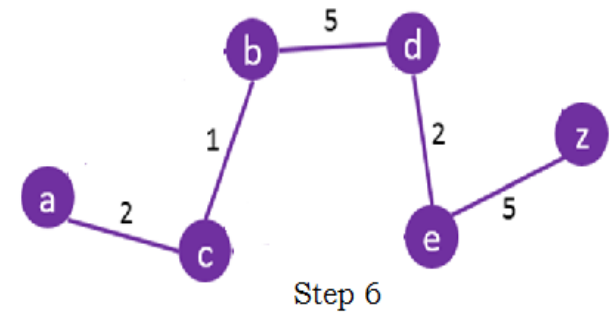
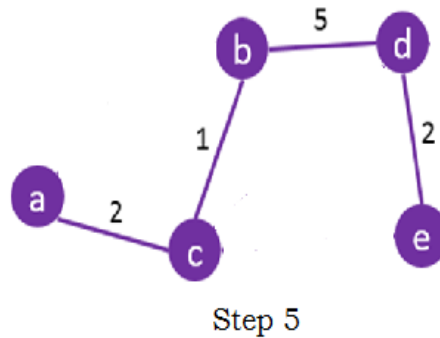
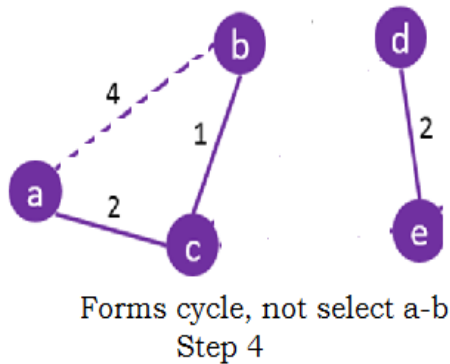
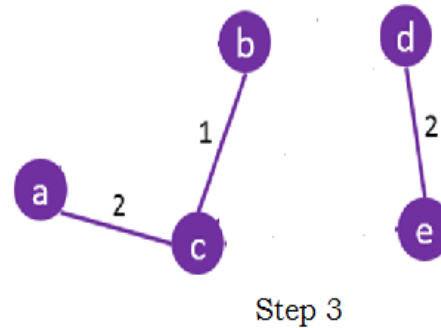
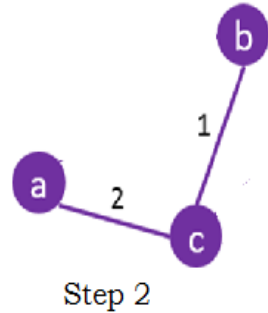
bc, ac, de, ab, bd, ez, dz, cd, ce

Kruskals Algorithm - Example

- Edges (in the order)
 - bc, ac, de, ab, bd, ez, dz, cd, ce
1. Take b-c
 2. Take a-c
 3. Take d-e
 4. Consider a-b
forms cycle -cannot be added
 5. Take b-d
 6. Take e-z

There are only 6 vertices and Now we got 5 edges. we can stop. Minimum cost Spanning tree is created.

Kruskals Algorithm - Example



Minimum Cost = 15

Prims Algorithm

- Here we will start from an arbitrary vertex. It will be added to the set of spanning tree vertices. It grows until it includes all the vertices of the graph.
- Let V_t be the selected spanning tree vertices so far. Find the minimum edge (u,v) such that ' u ' is in V_t and ' v ' is not in V_t (v is in set of Vertices of Graph, set V). Then select the edge and add ' v ' to V_t .
- That is Find the shortest edge from already created spanning tree, which does not create a cycle, and add it to the set of spanning tree vertices

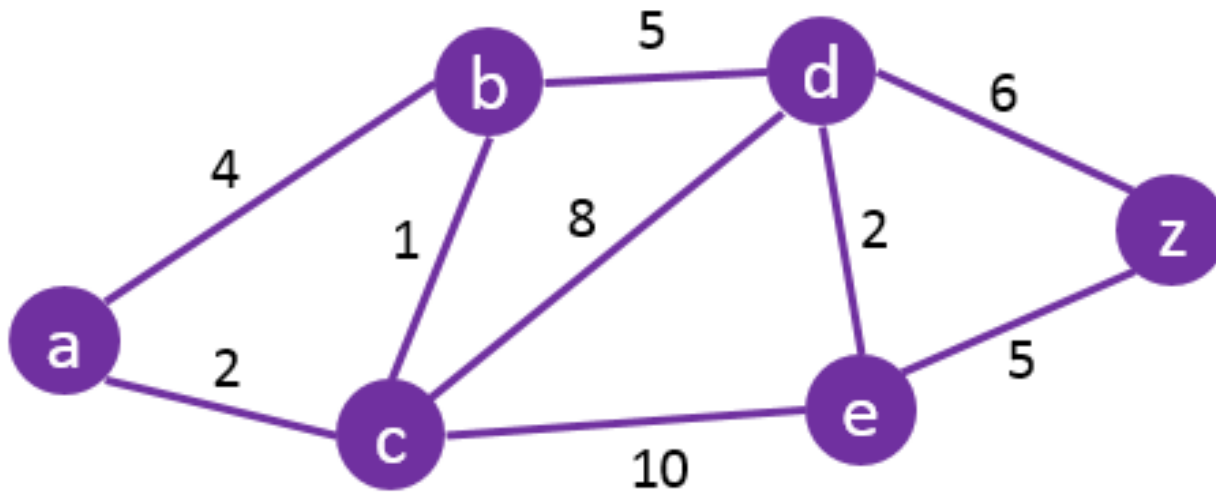
Prims Algorithm

- It will be continued until we include all the vertices of Graph in to V_t .
- **Note: Unlike Kruskals algorithm, here in each stage we will get a single tree**
- Algorithm is given below.
- There is a graph $G(V,E)$ where V is the set of Vertices and E is the set of Edges
- Find a minimum spanning tree $G'(V_t,E_t)$ where V_t is the set vertices and E_t is the set of Edges in Spanning Tree.
- Finally V_t will become V (Include all vertices), E_t will be subset of E (not necessary to have all edges of E)

Prims Algorithm

- Let there be a weighted connected graph $G=(V,E)$
- Create a Min spanning Tree $T=(V_t,E_t)$
 - 1) $V_t = \{V_0\}$ // we start from V_0 , So V_t will be V_0 only
 - 2) $E_t = \phi$ // there will not be any edges E_t will be empty
 - 3) Mincost = 0
 - 4) For $i=1$ to $|V|-1$ do // $|V|$ is no. of vertices
 - 5) {
 - Find a minimum weight edge $e=(u,v)$ among all edges, such that **u is in V_t** and **v is in $(V-V_t)$**
 - $V_t = V_t \cup \{v\}$
 - $E_t = E_t \cup \{e\}$
 - Mincost = Mincost + Cost (u,v)
 - 6) }
 - 7) Return E_t

Prims Algorithm - Example



Prims Algorithm - Example

Start from vertex 'a'

Now $V_t = \{a\}$ $E_t = \{\}$

1. Consider Edges from 'a' and take the minimum

So, a-c is taken $V_t = \{a, c\}$ $E_t = \{ac\}$

2. Consider edges from 'a' and 'c' & find the minimum

a-b, c-b, c-d, c-e

So, c-b is taken $V_t = \{a, c, b\}$ $E_t = \{ac, cb\}$

3. Consider edges from the nodes in set V_t and Find the minimum (a-b, b-d, c-d, c-e)

Actually a-b is minimum. Already a and b are in V_t , means it forms cycle. So cannot include

So, take b-d $V_t = \{a, c, b, d\}$ $E_t = \{ac, cb, bd\}$

Prims Algorithm - Example

4. Consider edges from the nodes in set V_t and Find the minimum (c-d,c-e,d-e,d-z)

Here, d-e is taken $V_t = \{a, c, b, d, e\}$ $E_t = \{ac, cb, bd, d-e\}$

5. Consider the next minimum edge from vertices in set V_t

So e-z is taken $V_t = \{a, c, b, d, e, z\}$ $E_t = \{ac, cb, bd, d-e, e-z\}$

Now we included all the 6 vertices and 5 edges. So the minimum spanning tree is created

Prims Algorithm - Example



Fig (1)

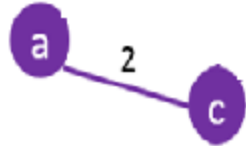


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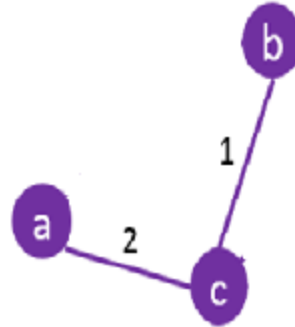


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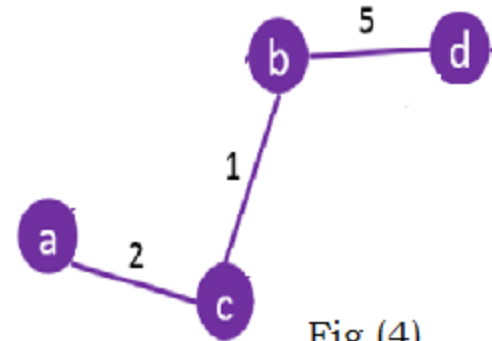


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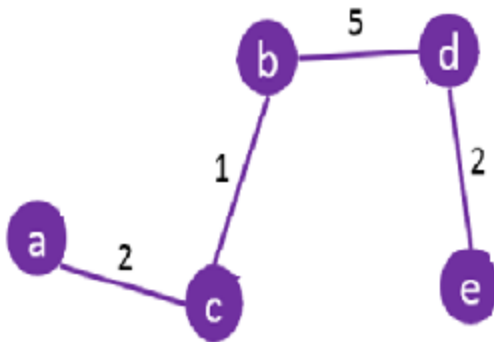


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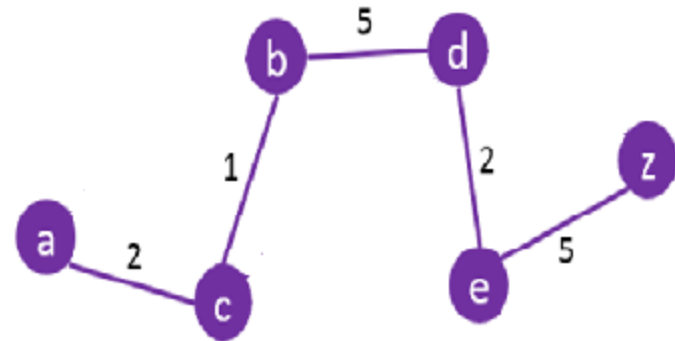


Fig (6)

Minimum Cost = 15