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## Question 1

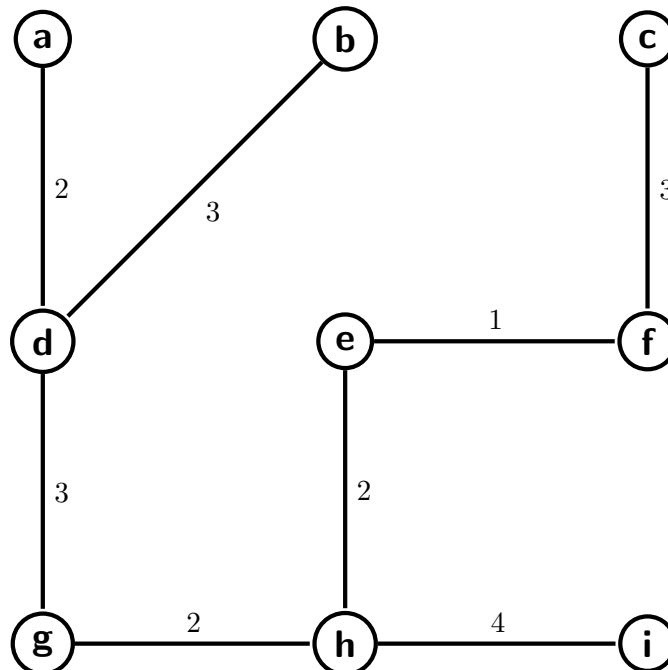
I will use **Kruskal's Algorithm** in this question.

a)

Adding Order	Edge	Weight
1	$\{e, f\}$	1
2	$\{a, d\}$	2
3	$\{g, h\}$	2
4	$\{e, h\}$	2
5	$\{d, g\}$	3
6	$\{c, f\}$	3
7	$\{b, d\}$	3
8	$\{h, i\}$	4

b)

Minimum Spanning Tree Of Graph G



c)

Answer to the first question (Is the minimum spanning tree unique for the graph G in Figure 1?) :

Yes, the minimum spanning tree for the graph G is unique.

Here is the weights of the minimum spanning tree for the graph G:  $\{1, 2, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3, 4\}$  .

All edges of weight 1 are included in the minimum spanning tree.

All edges of weight 2 are included in the minimum spanning tree.

If we could form another MST, we could do it by

- **Case1:** including the another edge of weight 3 which is  $\{f, h\}$  and excluding the edge  $\{h, i\}$  which is of weight 4
- **Case2:** including the another edge of weight 3 which is  $\{f, h\}$  and excluding the edge  $\{b, d\}$  which is of weight 3
- **Case3:** including the another edge of weight 3 which is  $\{f, h\}$  and excluding the edge  $\{d, g\}$  which is of weight 3
- **Case4:** including the another edge of weight 3 which is  $\{f, h\}$  and excluding the edge  $\{c, g\}$  which is of weight 3

**But** a circuit (e,h,f) occurs in each case, so these are not spanning trees. Therefore we cannot form another minimum spanning tree.

Hence, the minimum spanning tree for the graph G is unique.

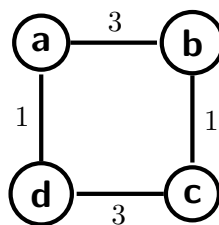
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Answer to the second question (In general, is the minimum spanning tree unique for any connected edge-weighted undirected graph?):

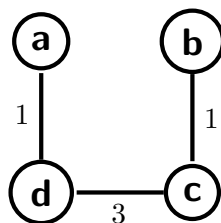
No, in general, the minimum spanning tree is not unique for any connected edge-weighted directed graph. If a graph includes edges of the same weight, then this graph **might** (i.e there is no guarantee) have multiple minimum spanning trees.

For example;

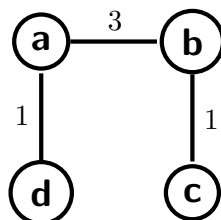
Graph H



the graph  $H$ , as given above, has two different minimum spanning trees which are



and



Hence, not all connected edge-weighted undirected graphs have unique minimum spanning tree.

d)

**Proof:**

Let  $G$  be a weighted graph and let  $e$  be the unique minimum-weight edge of  $G$ .

Assume that  $T$  is a minimum spanning tree for  $G$  which does not contain the edge  $e$ .

Then consider the graph  $T + e$ . This graph must contain a circuit  $C$  that contains the edge  $e$ .

Let  $f$  be an edge of  $C$  different from  $e$ , and

set  $T^* = T + e - f$

Then  $T^*$  is also a spanning tree for  $G$ , **but**

$wt(T^*) = wt(T + e - f) = wt(T) + wt(e) - wt(f)$  and  $wt(e) < wt(f)$ .

This implies  $wt(T^*) < wt(T)$ , which is a contradiction to  $T$  being a minimum spanning tree.

Therefore, no such minimum spanning tree  $T$  (i.e without  $e$ ) can exist.

Hence, for a weighted graph, if the minimum-weight edge of a graph is unique, then this edge is included in any minimum spanning tree for that graph.

(Note that  $wt(x)$  gives the weight of the edge  $x$  if  $x$  is an edge, and gives the total weight of the graph  $x$  if  $x$  is a graph. )

## Question 2

Yes, they are isomorphic.

Let's define an one-to-one and onto function  $f$  from the set of vertices  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$  to the set of vertices  $\{m, n, o, p, r, q\}$  with

$$\begin{aligned}f(a) &= n \\f(b) &= q \\f(c) &= o \\f(d) &= r \\f(e) &= m \\f(f) &= p\end{aligned}$$

Observe that

- $a$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{b, d, c\}$  and  $f(a) = n$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(b) = q, f(d) = r, f(c) = o$ .
- $b$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{a, c, e, f\}$  and  $f(b) = q$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(a) = n, f(c) = o, f(e) = m, f(f) = p$ .
- $c$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{a, b\}$  and  $f(c) = o$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(a) = n, f(b) = q$ .
- $d$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{a, e\}$  and  $f(d) = r$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(a) = n, f(e) = m$ .
- $e$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{b, d, f\}$  and  $f(e) = m$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(b) = q, f(d) = r, f(f) = p$ .
- $f$  is adjacent to the vertices  $\{b, e\}$  and  $f(f) = p$  is adjacent to the vertices  $f(b) = q, f(e) = m$ .

As seen above, for all pairs  $(x, y)$ ,  $x \neq y$  in  $\{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$ , if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are connected,  $f(x)$  and  $f(y)$  in  $\{m, n, o, p, r, q\}$  are connected .

Hence,  $f$  is an isomorphism .

Because  $f$  is an isomorphism, graphs  $G$  and  $H$  are isomorphic.

### Question 3

a)

The number of vertices is **7**.

The number of edges is **6**.

The height of T is **3**.

b)

**postorder:** q,s,u,v,t,r,p

**inorder:** q,p,s,r,u,t,v

**preorder:** p,q,r,s,t,u,v

c)

**Yes**, T is a full binary tree because each of its internal vertices (p,r,t) has two children.

- p has children q and r
- r has children s and t
- t has children u,v

d)

**No**, T is not a complete binary tree.

For T to be a complete binary tree, it should be completely filled in every level, except possibly the last. And nodes are as far left as. But level 2 of T, i.e level including s:19 and t:43, is not completely filled although it is not the last level. Also, the last level is not filled starting from left. Because of these reasons, T is not a complete binary tree.

e)

No, T is not a balanced binary tree.

For a binary tree to be balanced, all leaves should be at the levels h and h-1 where h is the last level.

T is not a balanced binary tree because T has a leaf, q:13, at level 1 which is h-2.

f)

No, T is not a binary search tree (BST).

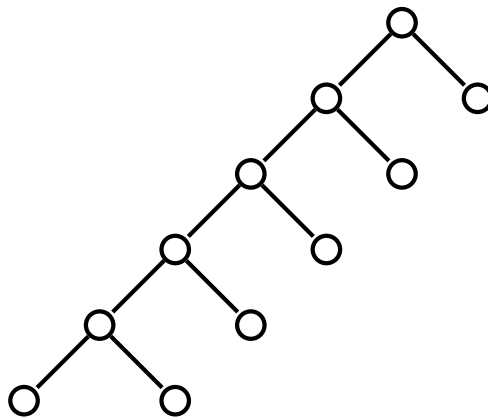
For a binary tree to be a BST, for each node r in the tree, nodes in the right subtree of the r must have keys greater than r's key, and nodes in the left subtree of r must have keys less than the r's key.

However, for the node r:24, it has u:23 in its right subtree and  $23 < 24$ , so T is not a BST.

g)

The minimum number of nodes for a full binary tree with height 5 is **11**.

The full binary tree of height 5 with minimum number of nodes is in the form of



As seen above, the minimum number of nodes for a full binary tree with height 5 is **11**.