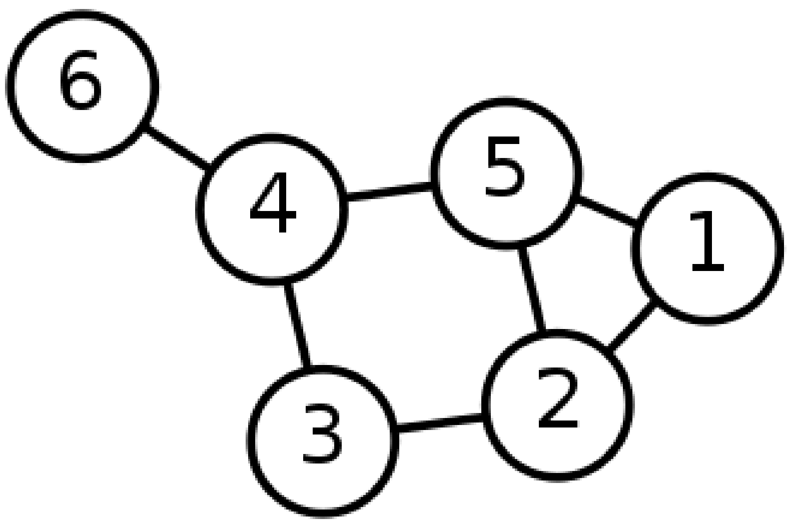
Single-Source Shortest Path Problem

The problem of finding shortest paths from a source vertex *v* to all other vertices in the graph.



Dijkstra's algorithm

a solution to the single-source shortest path problem in graph theory.

Works on both directed and undirected graphs. However, all edges must have nonnegative weights.

Approach: Greedy

Input: Weighted graph $G=\{E,V\}$ and source vertex $v \in V$, such that all edge weights are nonnegative

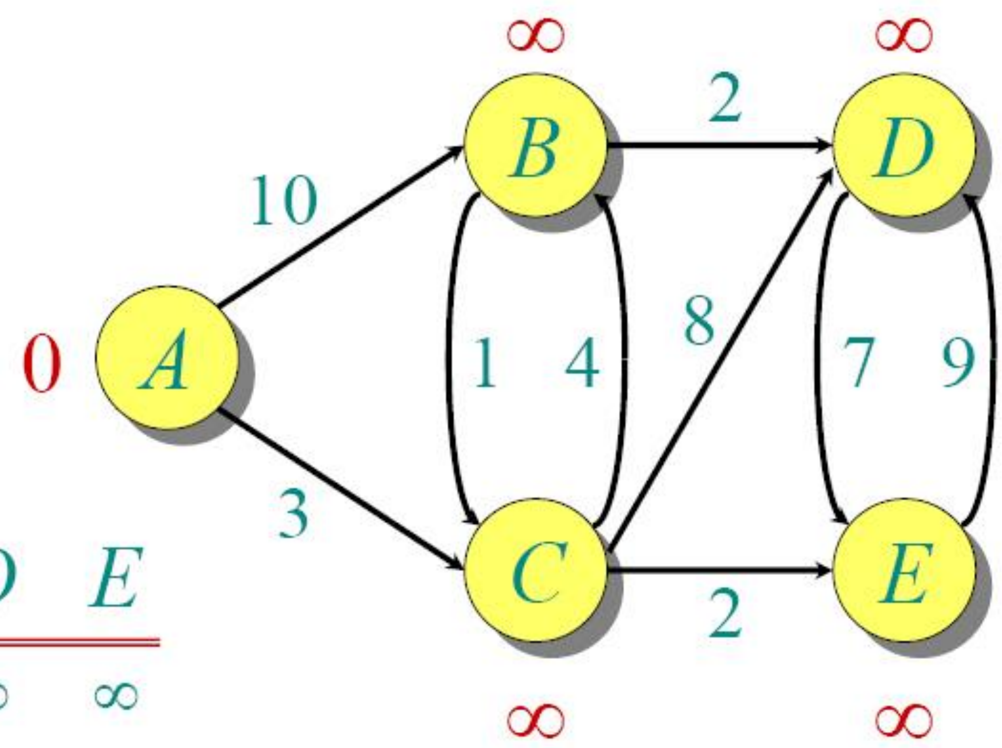
Output: Lengths of shortest paths (or the shortest paths themselves) from a given source vertex $v \in V$ to all other vertices

Dijkstra's algorithm - Pseudocode

$dist[s] \leftarrow 0$	(distance to source vertex is zero)
for all $v \in V-\{s\}$	
do $dist[v] \leftarrow \infty$	(set all other distances to infinity)
$S \leftarrow \emptyset$	(S, the set of visited vertices is initially empty)
$Q \leftarrow V$	(Q, the queue initially contains all vertices)
while $Q \neq \emptyset$	(while the queue is not empty)
do $u \leftarrow$ mindistance$(Q, dist)$	(select the element of Q with the min. distance)
$S \leftarrow S \cup \{u\}$	(add u to list of visited vertices)
for all $v \in$ neighbors$[u]$	
do if $dist[v] > dist[u] + w(u, v)$	(if new shortest path found)
then $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + w(u, v)$	(set new value of shortest path)
(if desired, add traceback code)	
return dist	

Dijkstra Animated Example

Initialize:



Q:	A	B	C	D	E
	0	∞	∞	∞	∞

S: {}

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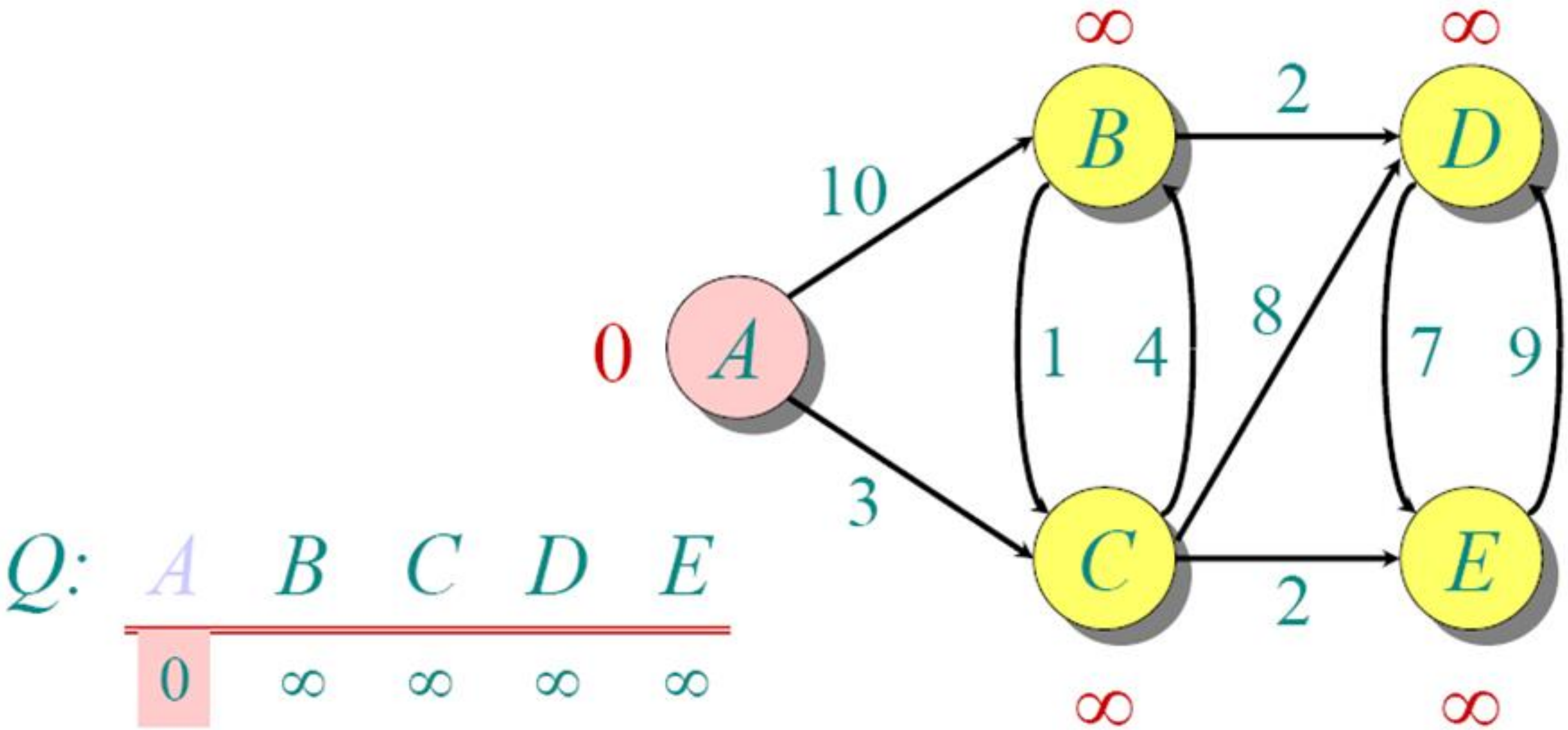

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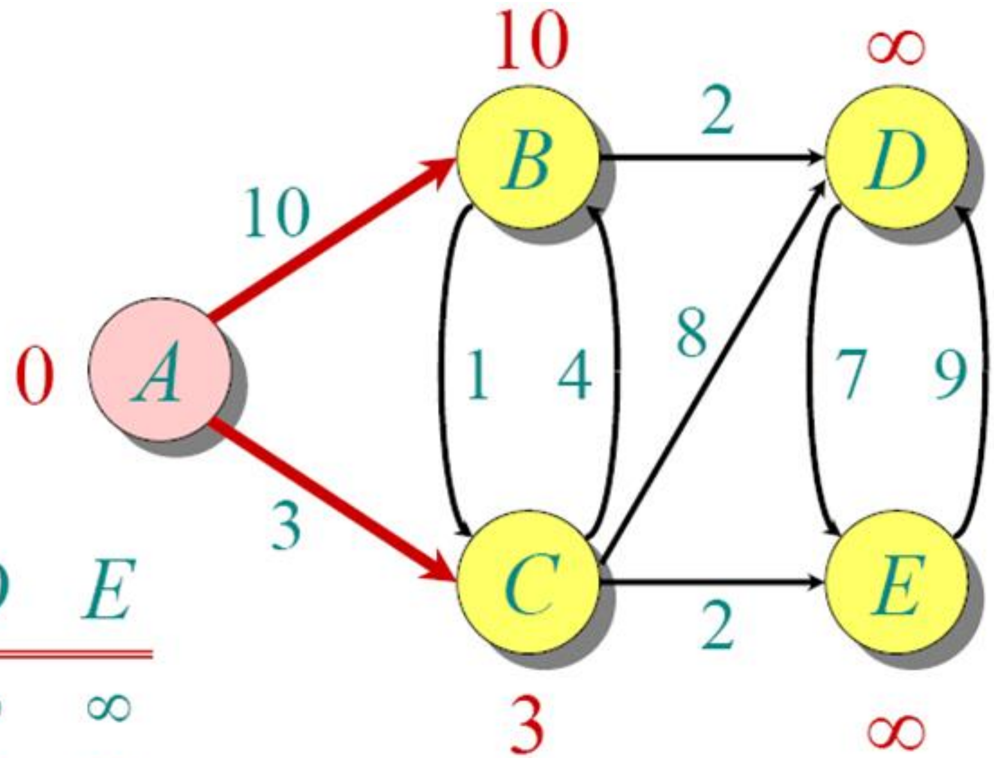

Q:	A	B	C	D	E
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		10	3	∞	∞

S: $\{ A \}$

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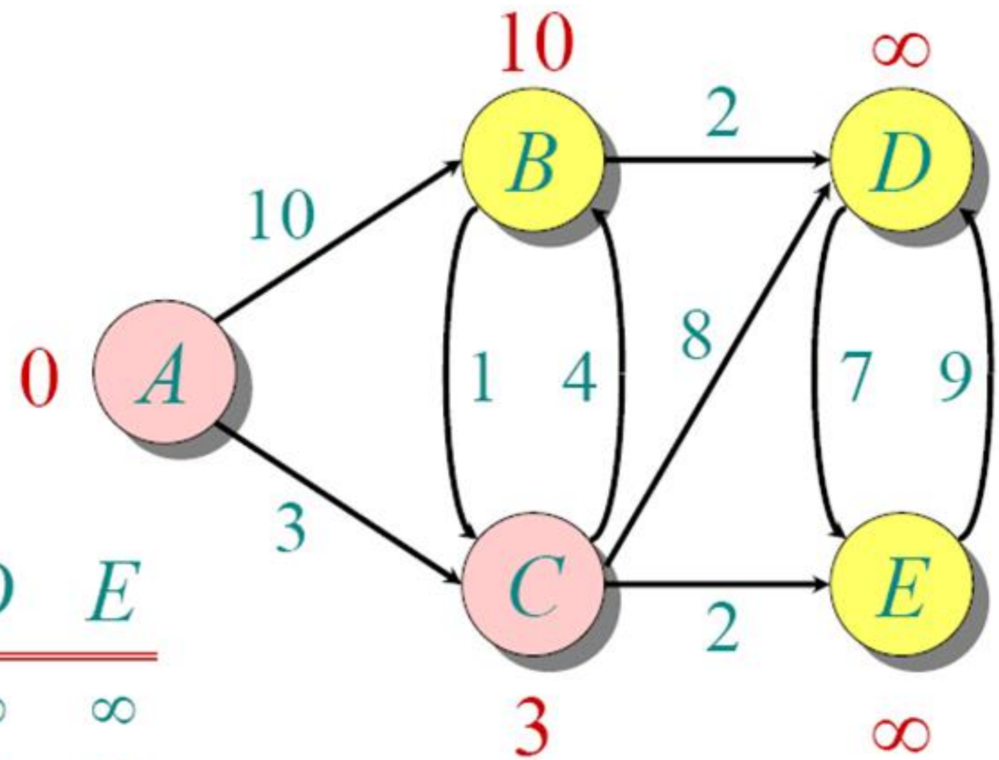

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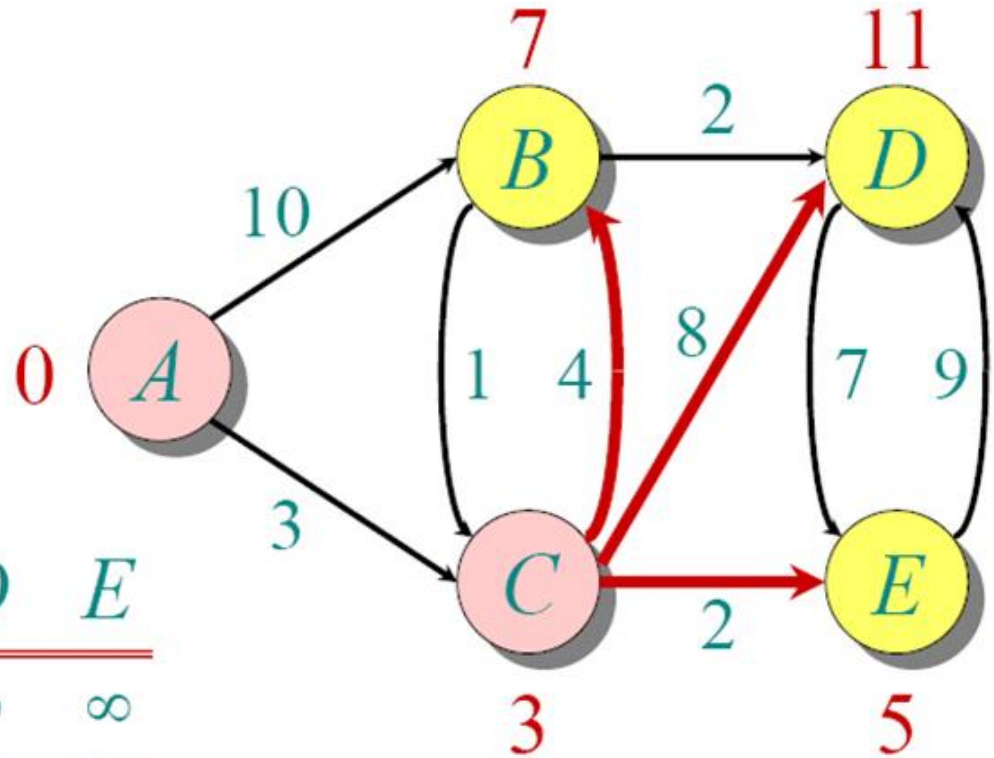
S: { A, C }

Dijkstra Animated Example



Q:	A	B	C	D	E
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		10	3	∞	∞
		7		11	5

S: { A, C }

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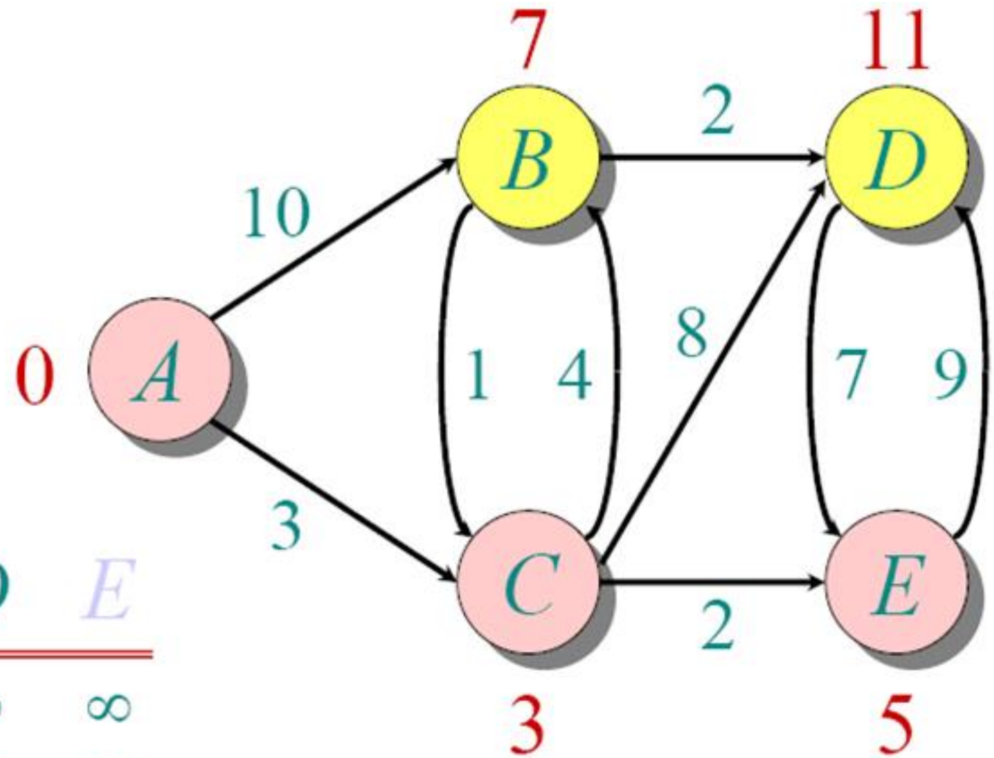

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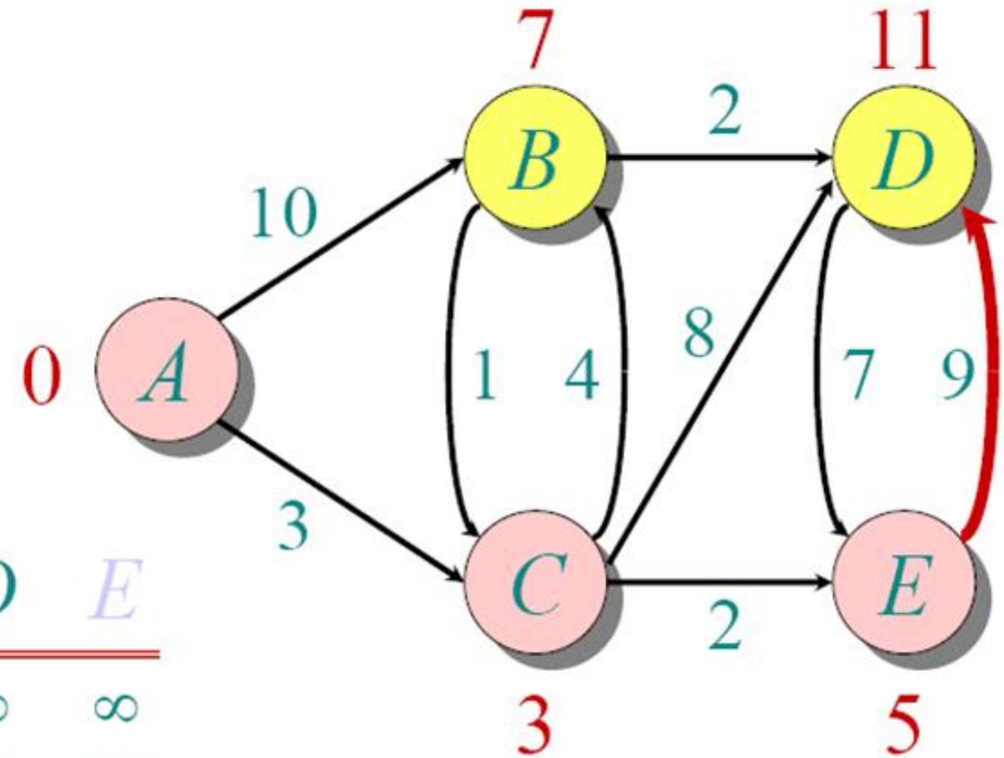
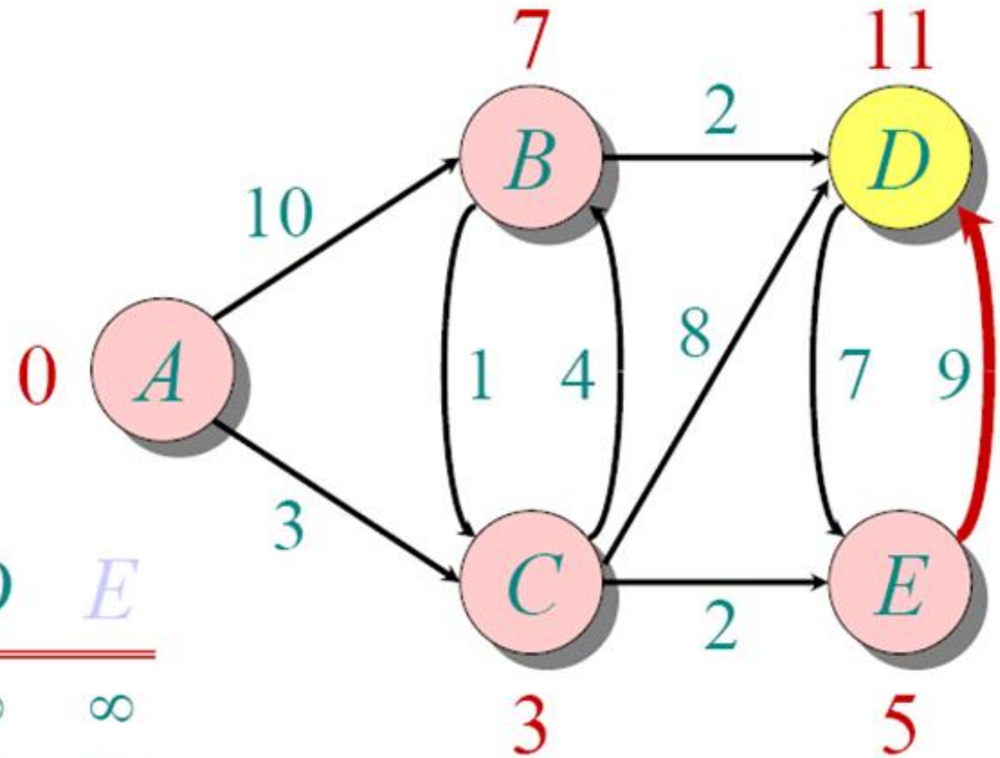


Q:	A	B	C	D	E
	$\boxed{0}$	∞	∞	∞	∞
		10	$\boxed{3}$	∞	∞
		7		11	$\boxed{5}$
		7		11	

S: { A, C, E }

Dijkstra Animated Example



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		7		11	

S: { A, C, E, B }

Dijkstra Animated Example

Q:	A	B	C	D	E
	$\boxed{0}$	∞	∞	∞	∞
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		7		11	$\boxed{5}$
		$\boxed{7}$		11	
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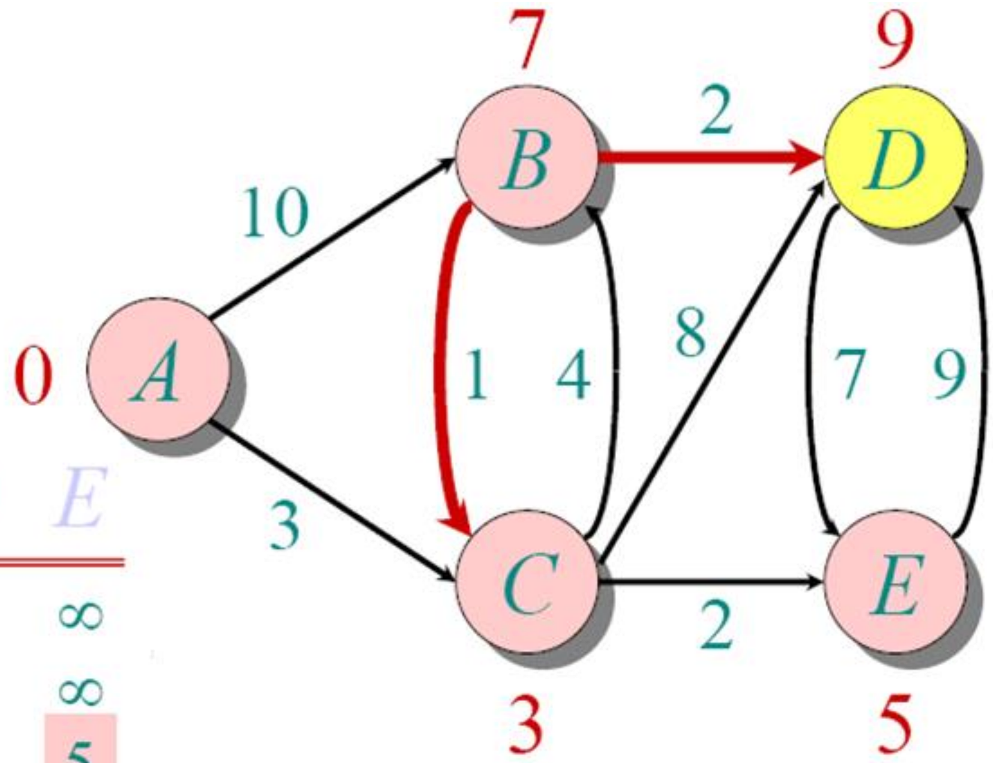

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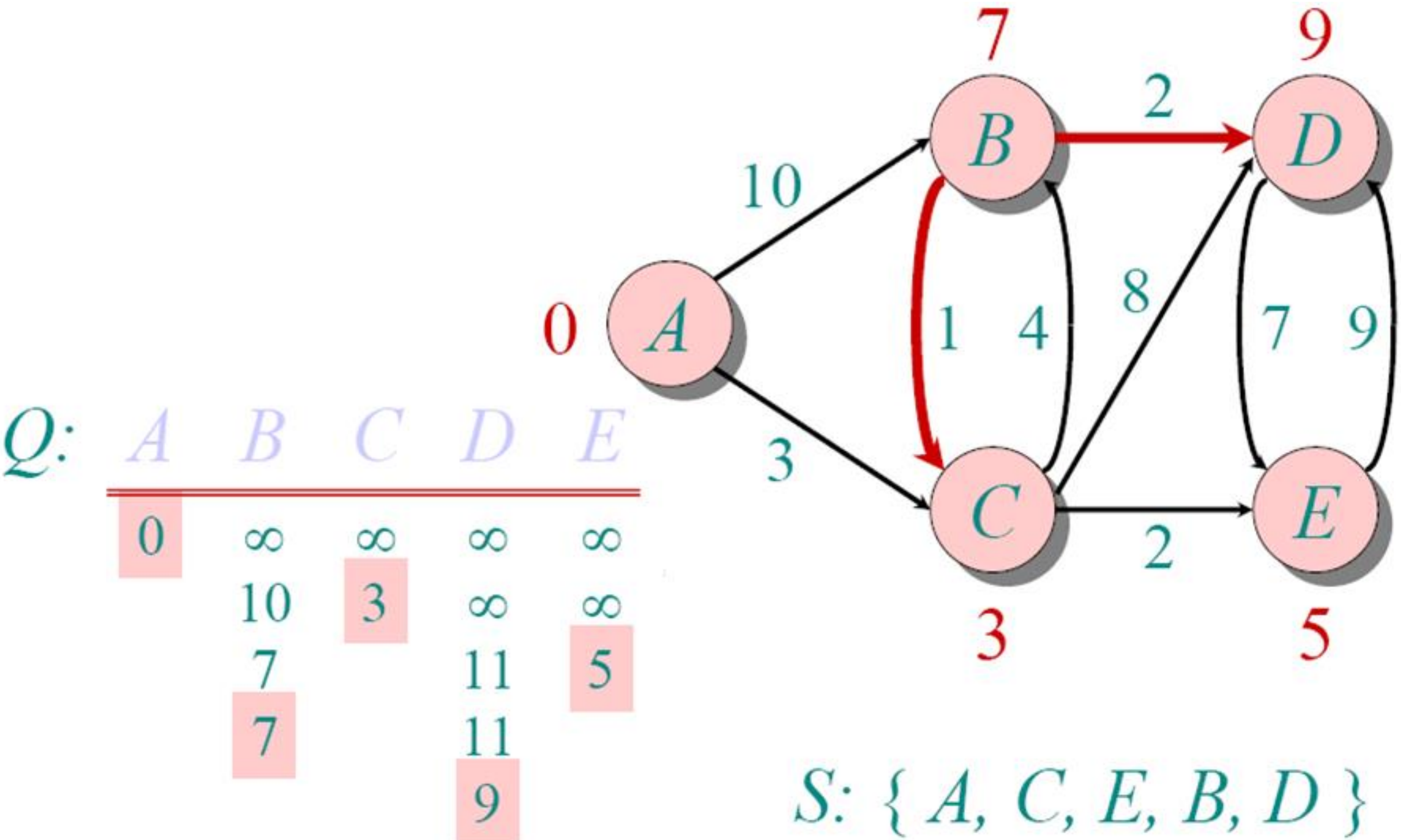


Implementations and Running Times

The simplest implementation is to store vertices in an array or linked list. This will produce a running time of

$O(|V|^2 + |E|)$

For sparse graphs, or graphs with very few edges and many nodes, it can be implemented more efficiently storing the graph in an adjacency list using a binary heap or priority queue. This will produce a running time of

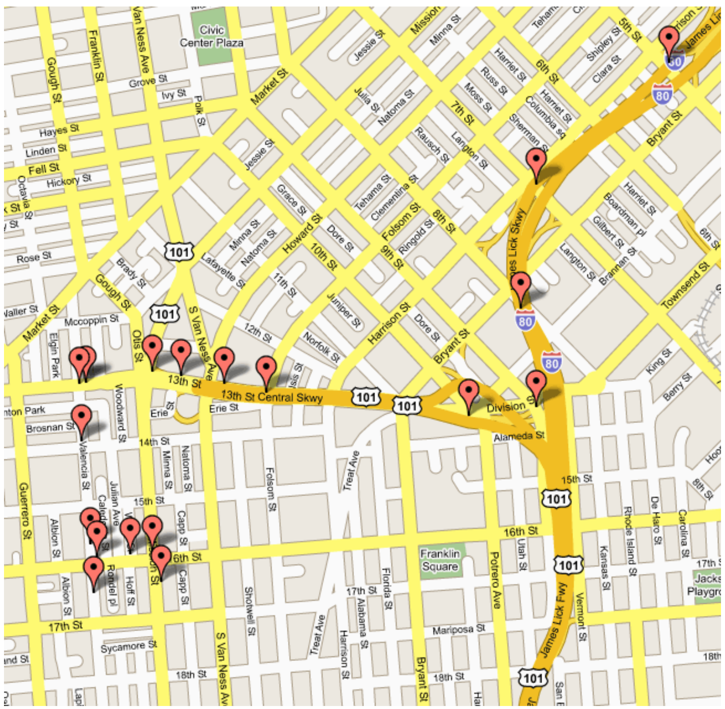
$O((|E|+|V|) \log |V|)$

•DIJKSTRA'S ALGORITHM - WHY USE IT?

- As mentioned, Dijkstra's algorithm calculates the shortest path to every vertex.
- However, it is about as computationally expensive to calculate the shortest path from vertex *u* to every vertex using Dijkstra's as it is to calculate the shortest path to some particular vertex *v*.
- Therefore, anytime we want to know the optimal path to some other vertex from a determined origin, we can use Dijkstra's algorithm.

Applications of Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Traffic Information Systems are most prominent use
- Mapping (Map Quest, Google Maps)
- Routing Systems



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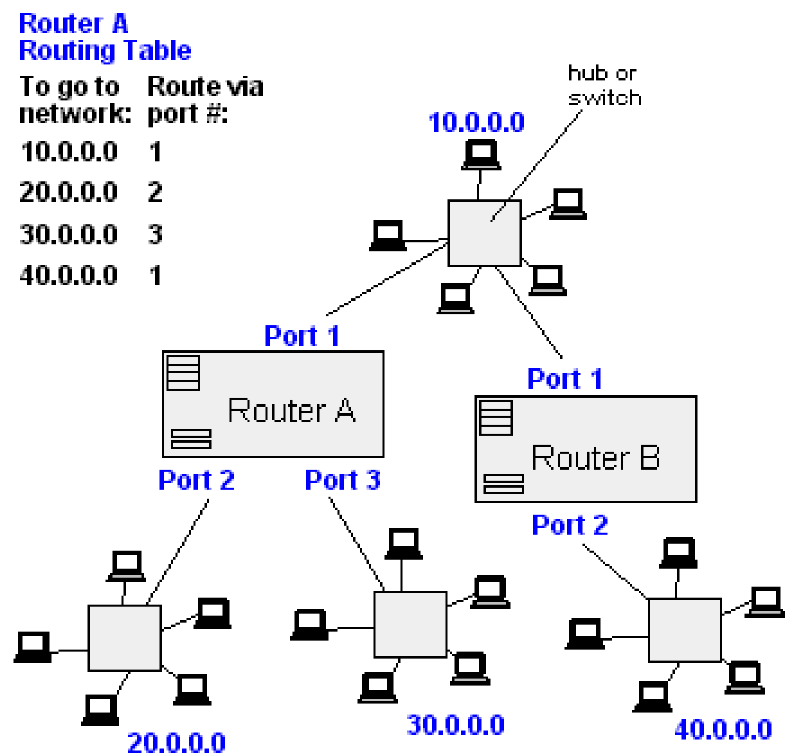


A Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

- a subgraph of an undirected graph such that
  - the subgraph spans (includes) all nodes,
  - is connected,
  - is acyclic,
  - and has minimum total edge weight

Minimum Spanning Trees

Prim’s Algorithm

- Similar to Dijkstra’s Algorithm

Kruskal’s Algorithm

- Focuses on edges, rather than nodes

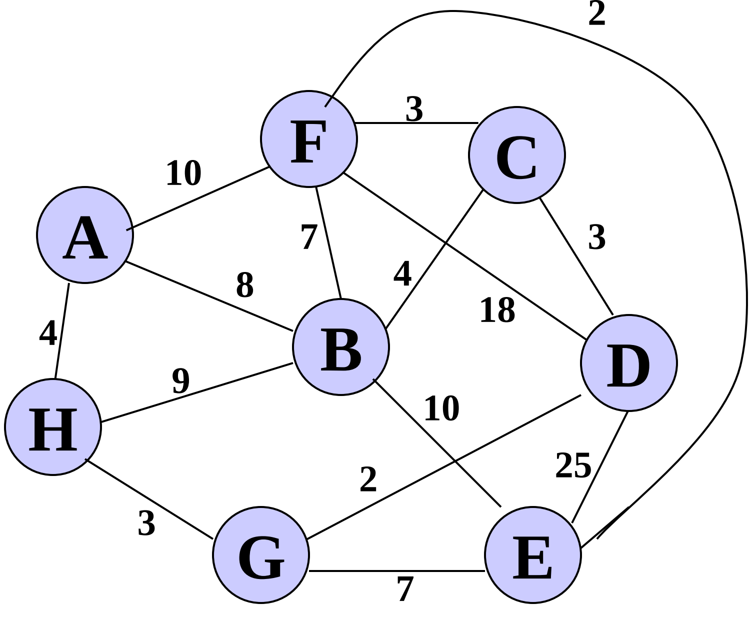
Algorithm Characteristics

- Both Prim's and Kruskal's Algorithms work with undirected graphs
- Both work with weighted and unweighted graphs but are more interesting when edges are weighted
- Both are greedy algorithms that produce optimal solutions

Prim's Algorithm

- Similar to Dijkstra's Algorithm except that d_v records edge weights, not path lengths

Walk-Through



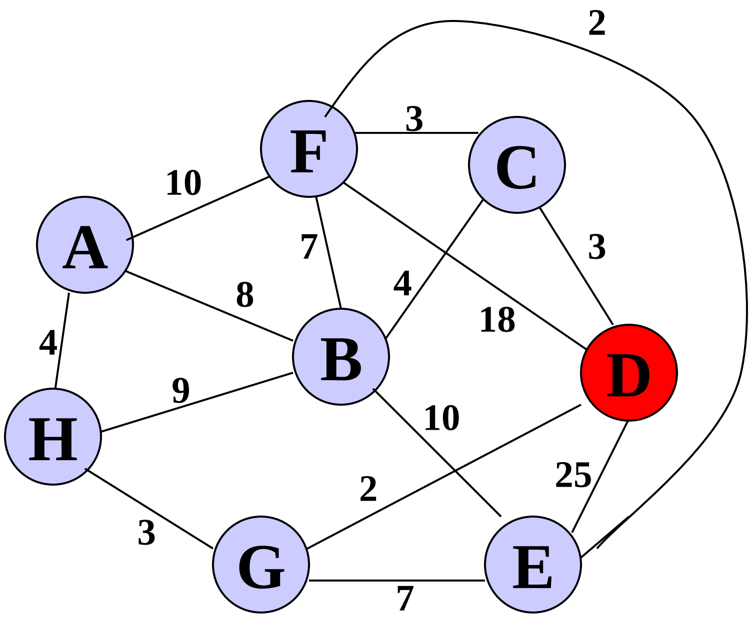
Initialize array

	K	d_v	p_v
A	F	∞	–
B	F	∞	–
C	F	∞	–
D	F	∞	–
E	F	∞	–
F	F	∞	–
G	F	∞	–
H	F	∞	–

d_v records edge weights

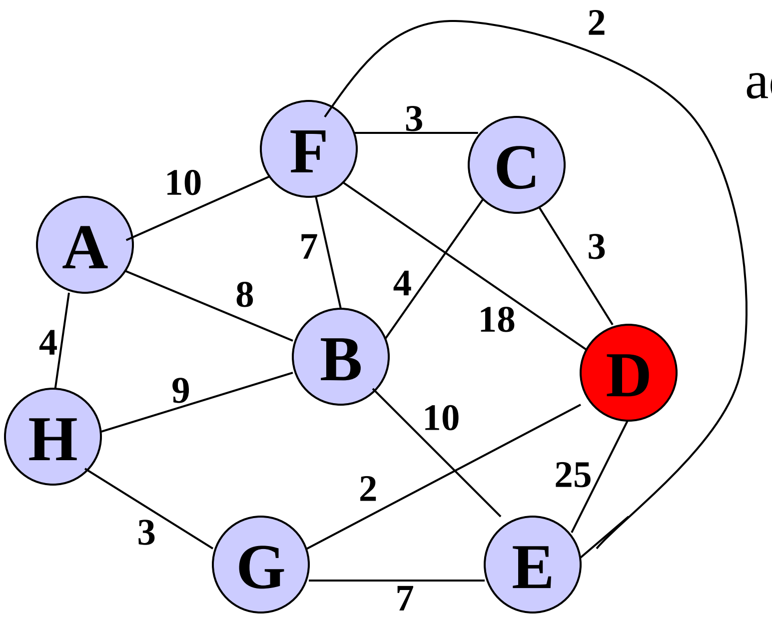
P_v : Parant node

K : visited



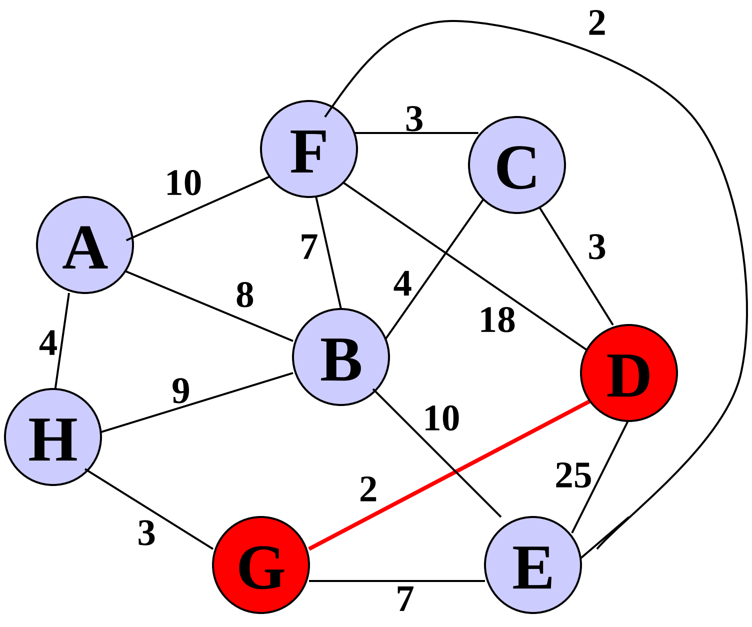
Start with any node, say D

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B			
C			
D	T	0	–
E			
F			
G			
H			



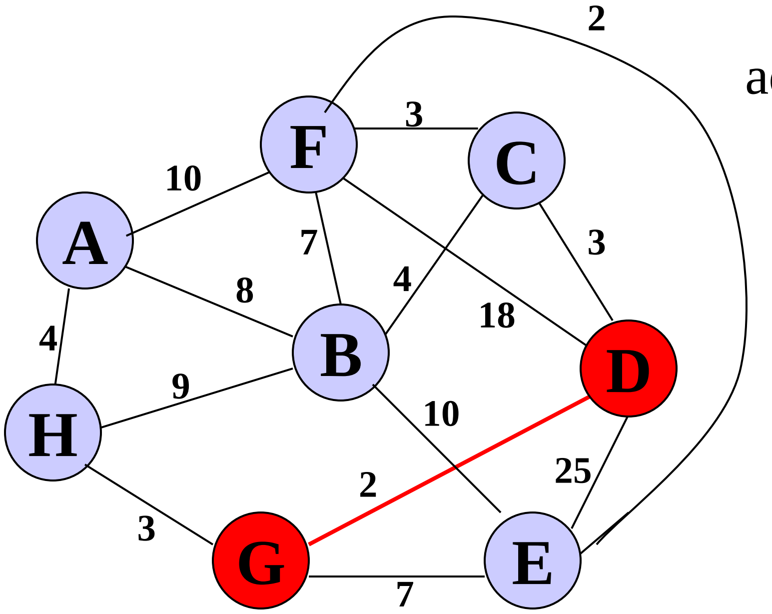
Update distances of adjacent, unselected nodes

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B			
C		3	D
D	T	0	–
E		25	D
F		18	D
G		2	D
H			



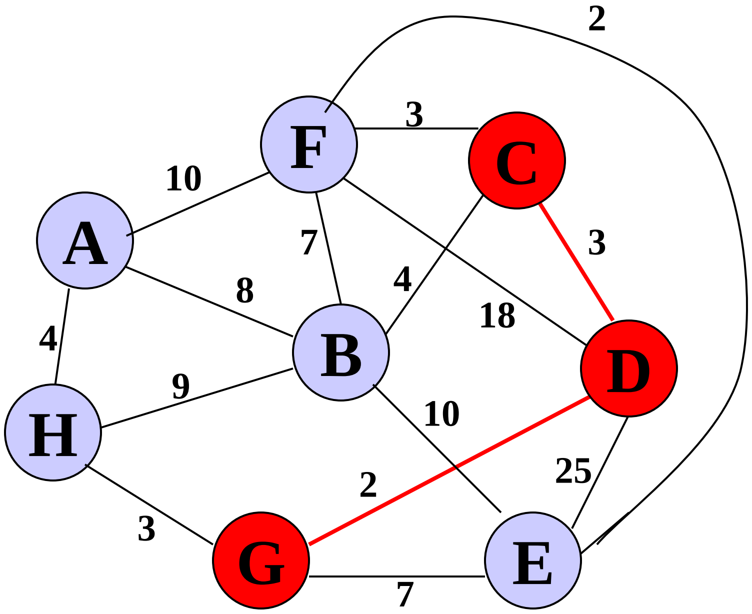
Select node with
minimum distance

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B			
C		3	D
D	T	0	–
E		25	D
F		18	D
G	T	2	D
H			



Update distances of adjacent, unselected nodes

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B			
C		3	D
D	T	0	–
E		7	G
F		18	D
G	T	2	D
H		3	G



Select node with minimum distance

	K	d_v	p_v
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B			
C	T	3	D
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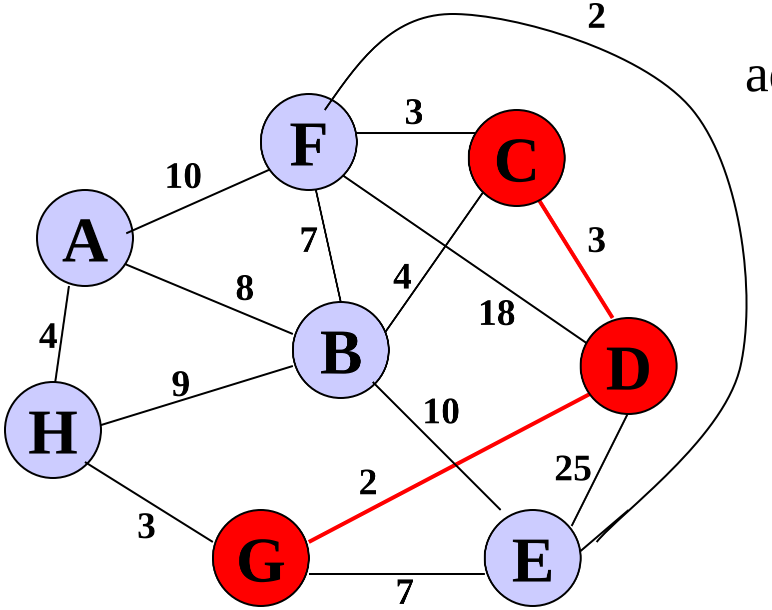
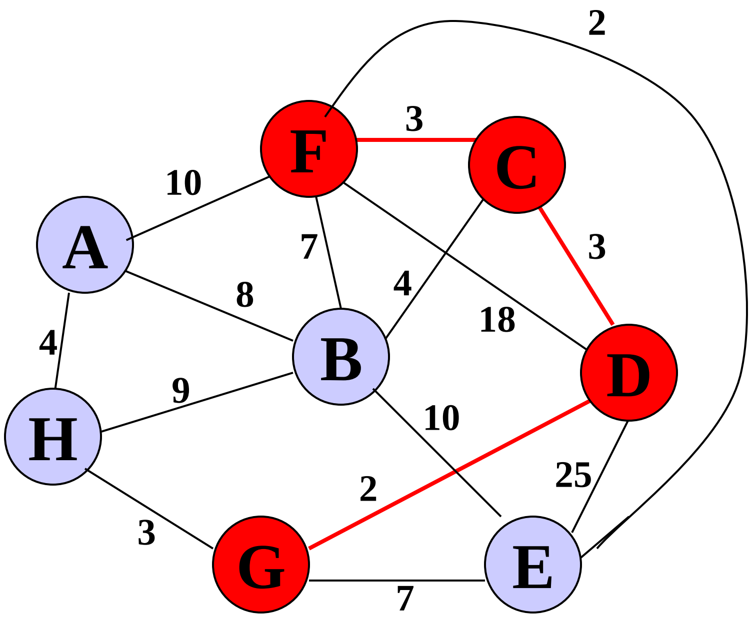
E		7	G
F		18	D
G	T	2	D
H		3	G



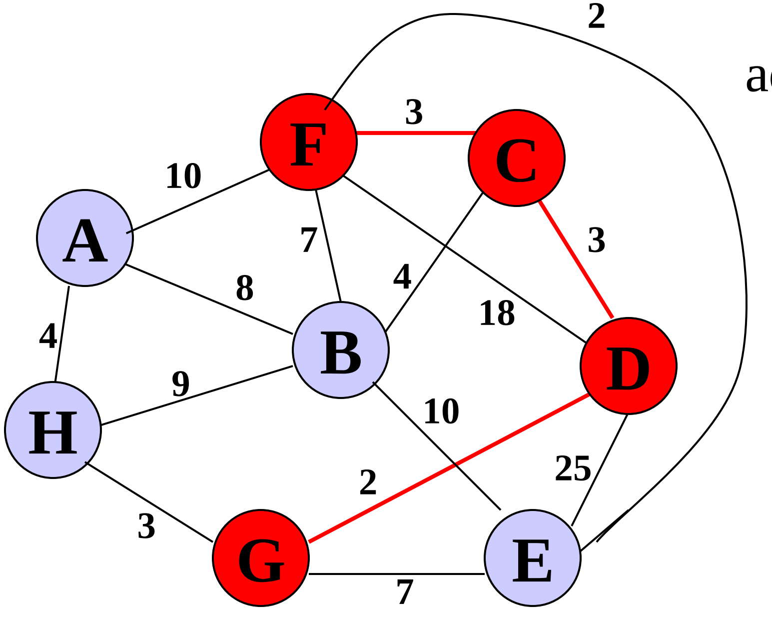
Update distances of
adjacent, unselected nodes

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B		4	C
C	T	3	D
D	T	0	–
E		7	G
F		3	C
G	T	2	D
H		3	G



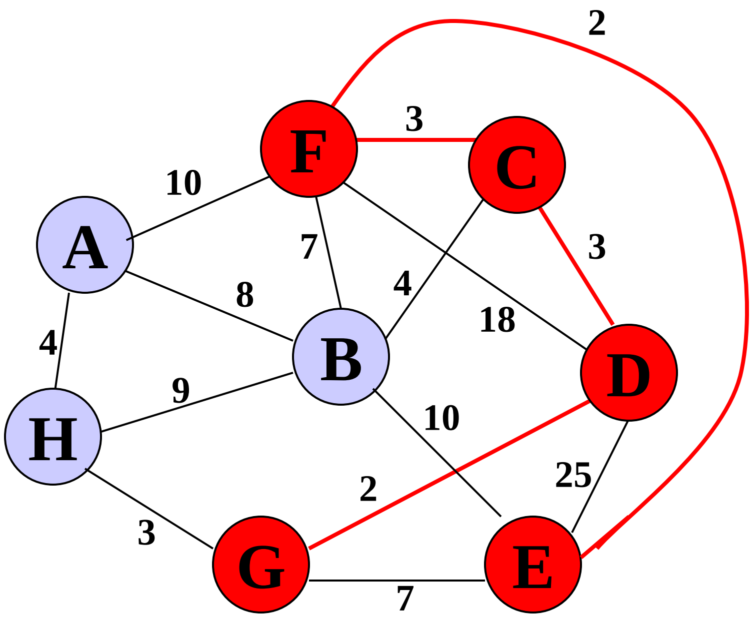
Select node with minimum distance

	K	d_v	p_v
A			
B		4	C
C	T	3	D
D	T	0	–
E		7	G
F	T	3	C
G	T	2	D
H		3	G



Update distances of adjacent, unselected nodes

	K	d_v	p_v
A		10	F
B		4	C
C	T	3	D
D	T	0	–
E		2	F
F	T	3	C
G	T	2	D
H		3	G



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A		10	F
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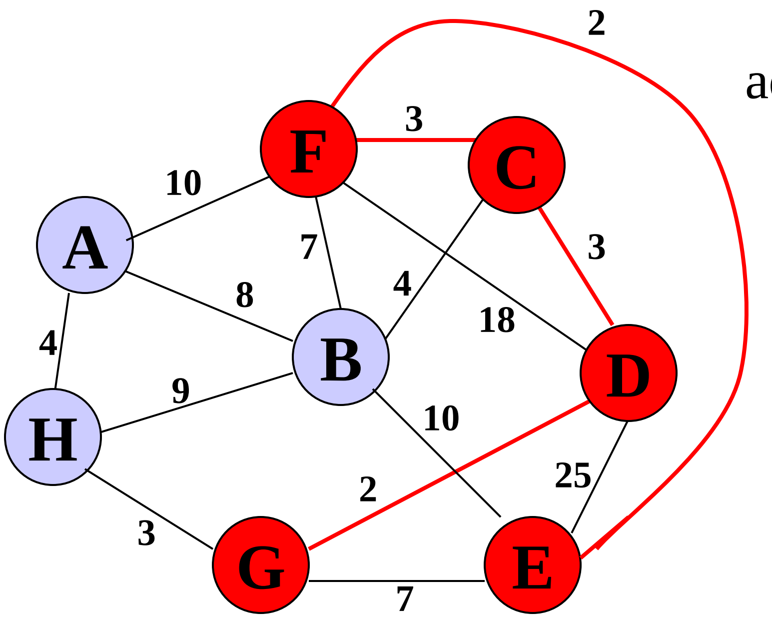

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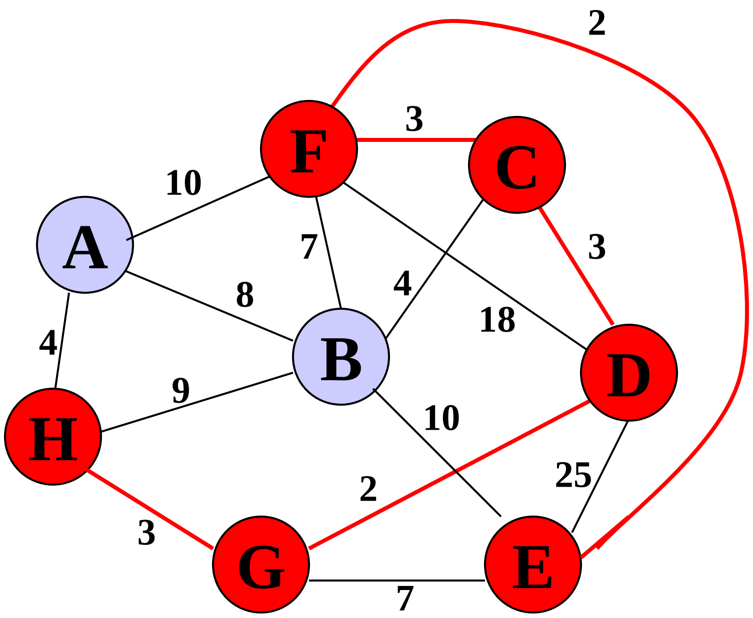

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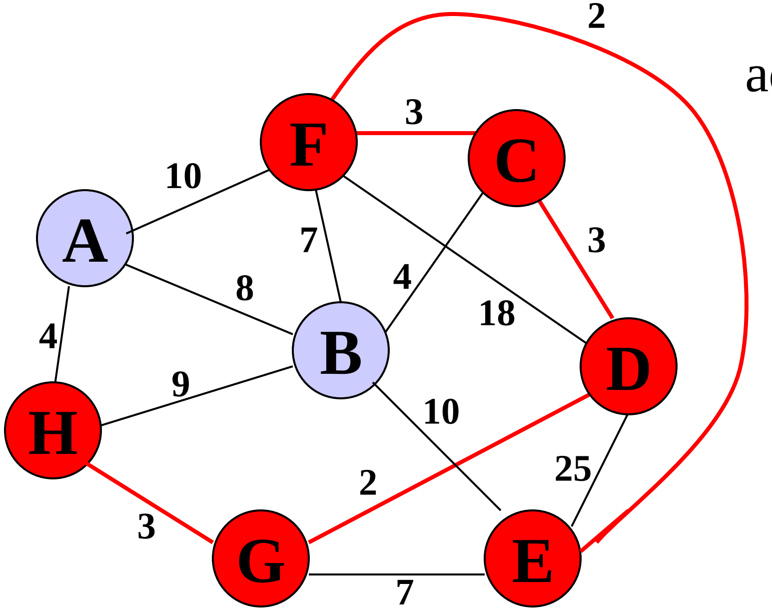

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A		4	H
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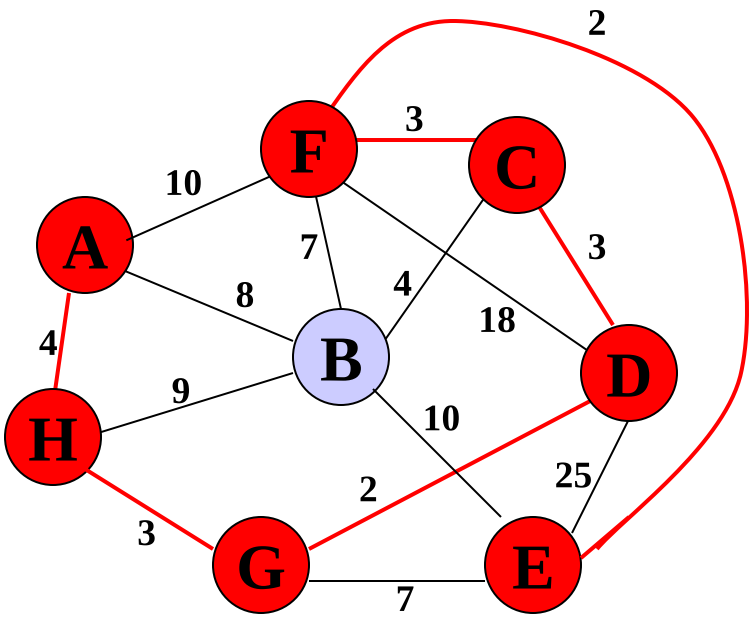

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A	T	4	H
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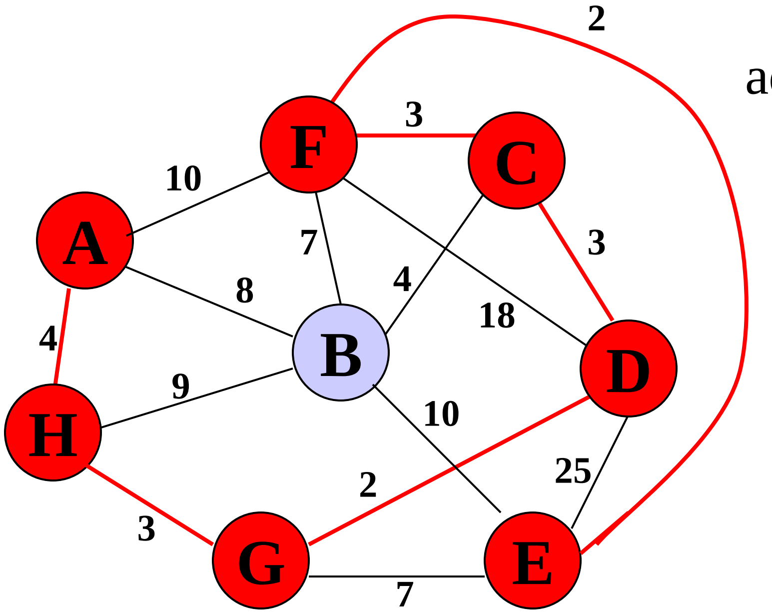

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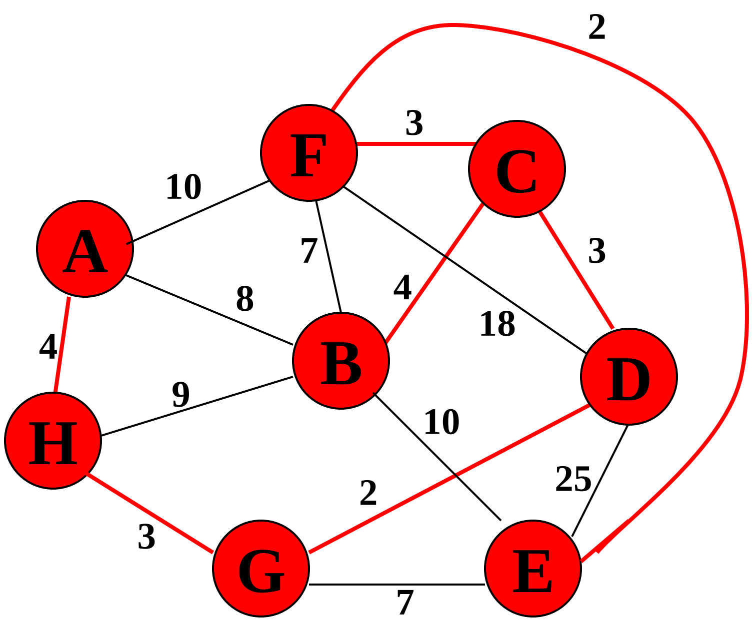

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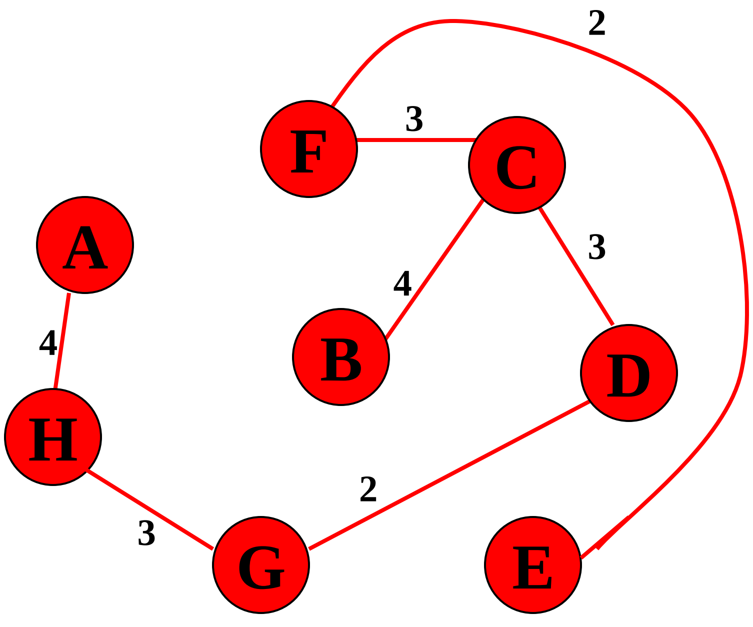

Cost of Minimum Spanning Tree = $\Sigma\, d_v$ = **21**

	K	d_v	p_v
A	T	4	H
B	T	4	C
C	T	3	D
D	T	0	–
E	T	2	F
F	T	3	C
G	T	2	D
H	T	3	G

Done

Prim's algorithm

{ T = ϕ;

U = { 1 };

while ($U \neq V$**) {**

let (u, v) be the lowest cost edge

such that $u \in U$ and $v \in V - U$**;**

$T = T \cup \{(u, v)\}$

$U = U \cup \{v\}$

}

}

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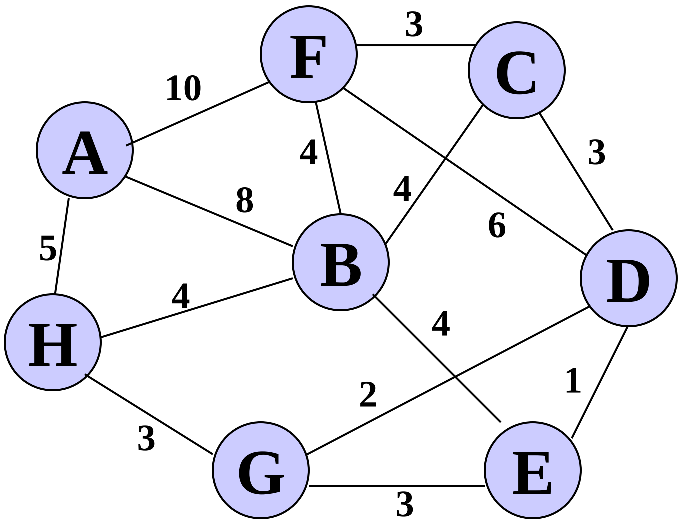
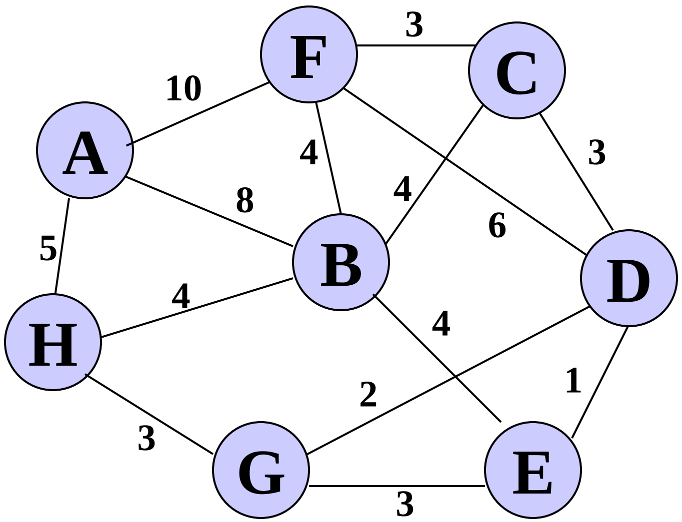
Kruskal’s Algorithm

- Work with edges, rather than nodes
- Two steps:
  - Sort edges by increasing edge weight
  - Select the first $|V| - 1$ edges that do not generate a cycle

Walk-Through

Consider an undirected, weight graph

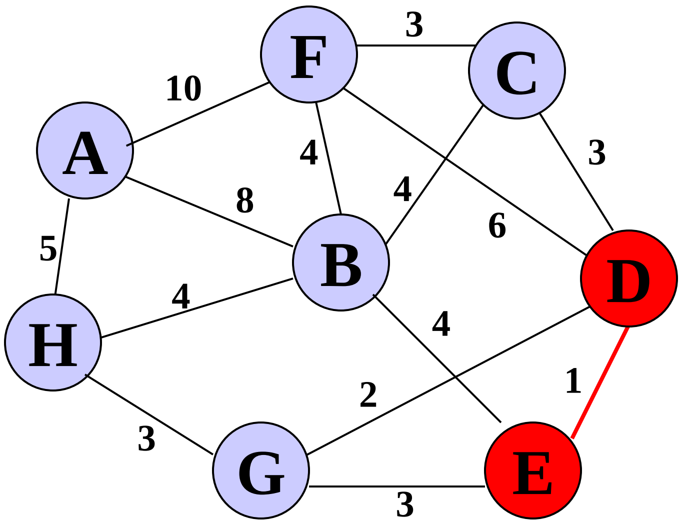




Sort the edges by increasing edge weight

edge	d_v	
(D,E)	1	
(D,G)	2	
(E,G)	3	
(C,D)	3	
(G,H)	3	
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

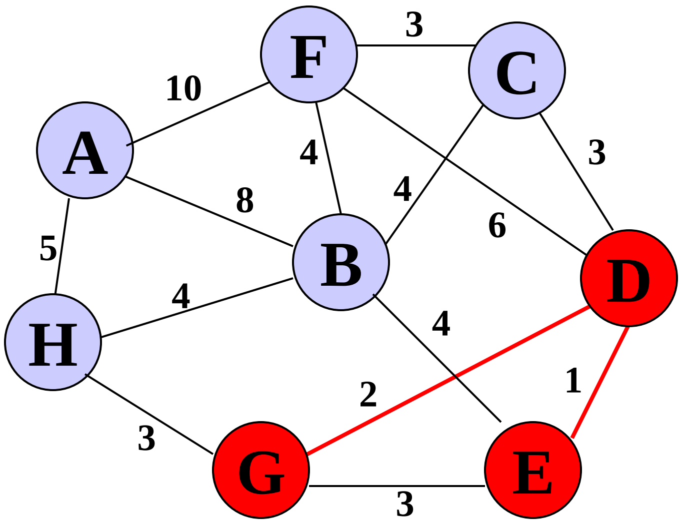
edge	d_v	
(B,E)	4	
(B,F)	4	
(B,H)	4	
(A,H)	5	
(D,F)	6	
(A,B)	8	
(A,F)	10	



Select first |V|–1 edges which do not generate a cycle

edge	d_v	
(D,E)	1	√
(D,G)	2	
(E,G)	3	
(C,D)	3	
(G,H)	3	
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

edge	d_v	
(B,E)	4	
(B,F)	4	
(B,H)	4	
(A,H)	5	
(D,F)	6	
(A,B)	8	
(A,F)	10	



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(G,H)	3	
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

edge	$\boldsymbol{d_v}$	
(B,E)	4	
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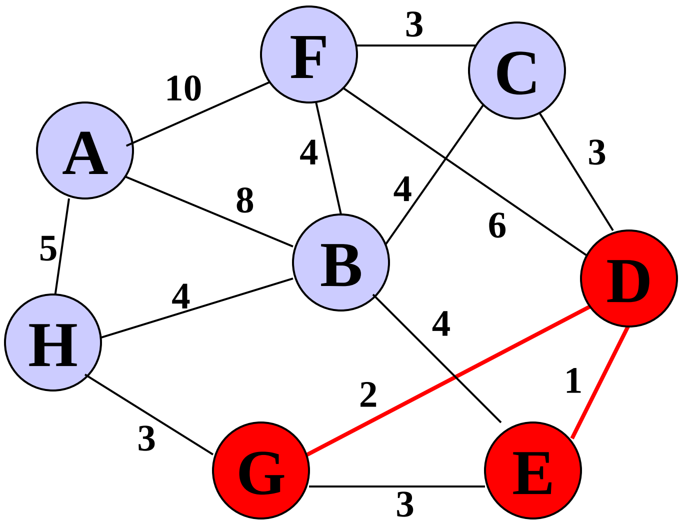

edge	d_v	
(D,E)	1	√
(D,G)	2	√
(E,G)	3	χ
(C,D)	3	
(G,H)	3	
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

edge	d_v	
(B,E)	4	
(B,F)	4	
(B,H)	4	
(A,H)	5	
(D,F)	6	
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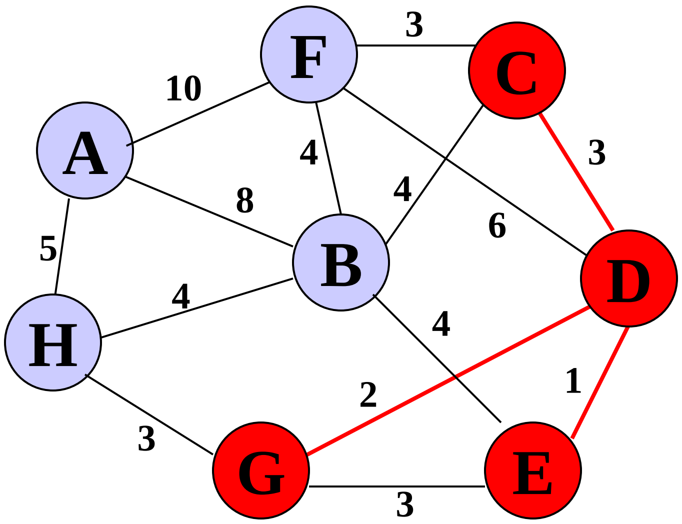
Accepting edge (E,G) would create a cycle



Select first |V|–1 edges which do not generate a cycle

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(D,E)	1	√
(D,G)	2	√
(E,G)	3	χ
(C,D)	3	√
(G,H)	3	
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

edge	d_v	
(B,E)	4	
(B,F)	4	
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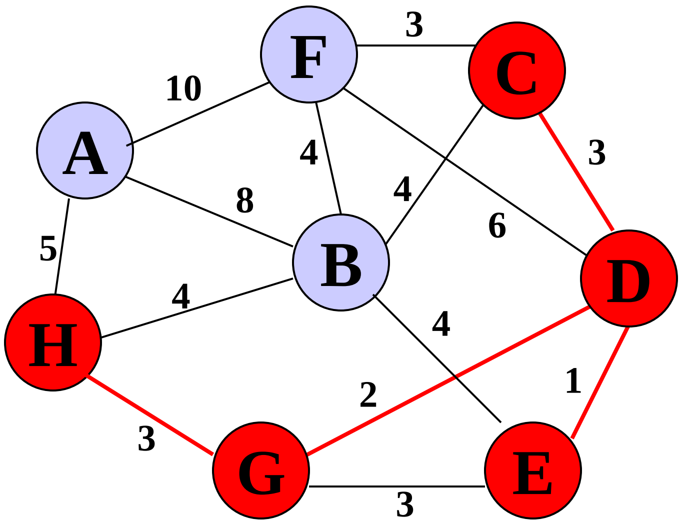

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(D,G)	2	√
(E,G)	3	χ
(C,D)	3	√
(G,H)	3	√
(C,F)	3	
(B,C)	4	

edge	d_v	
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(B,F)	4	
(B,H)	4	
(A,H)	5	
(D,F)	6	
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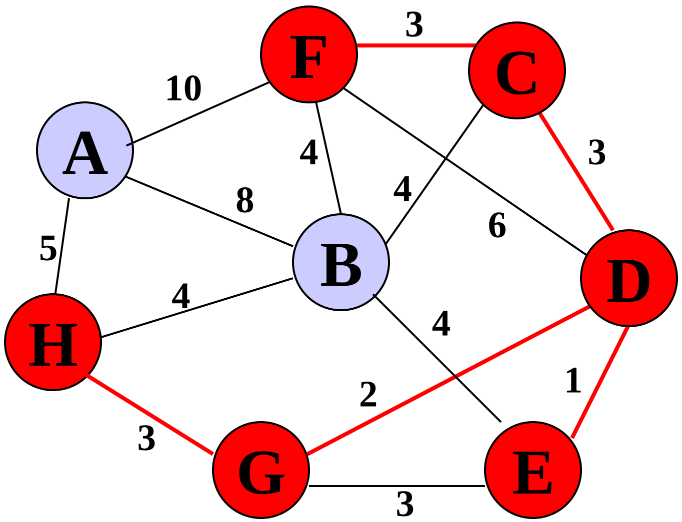

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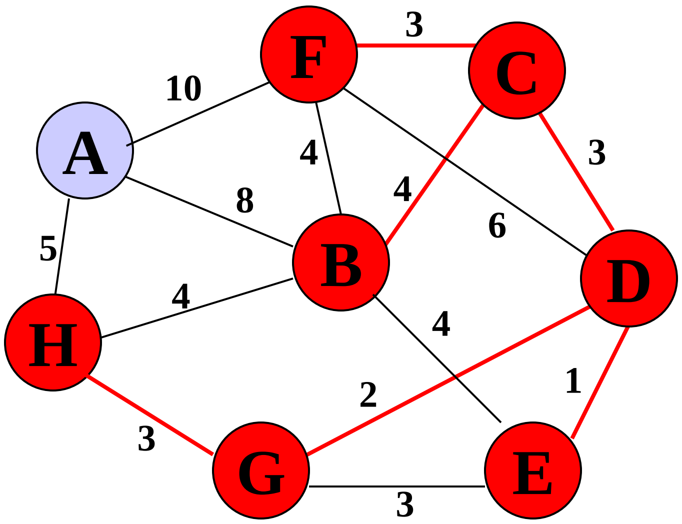

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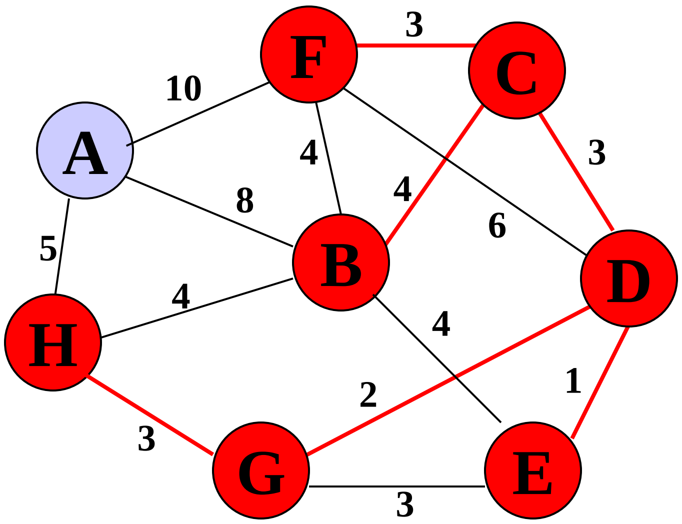

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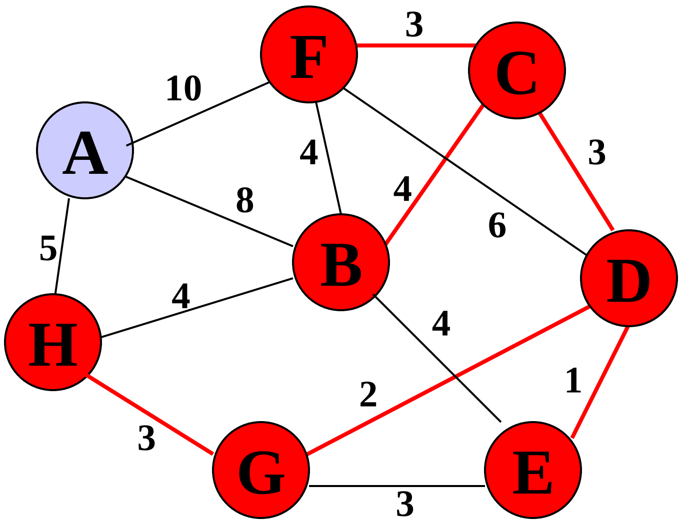

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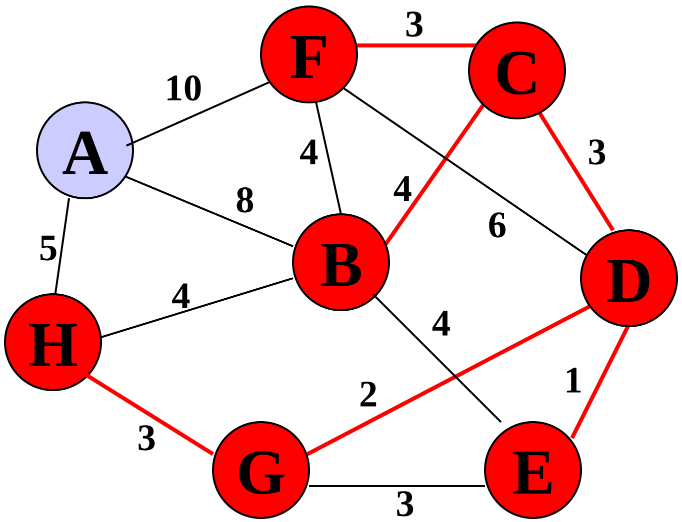

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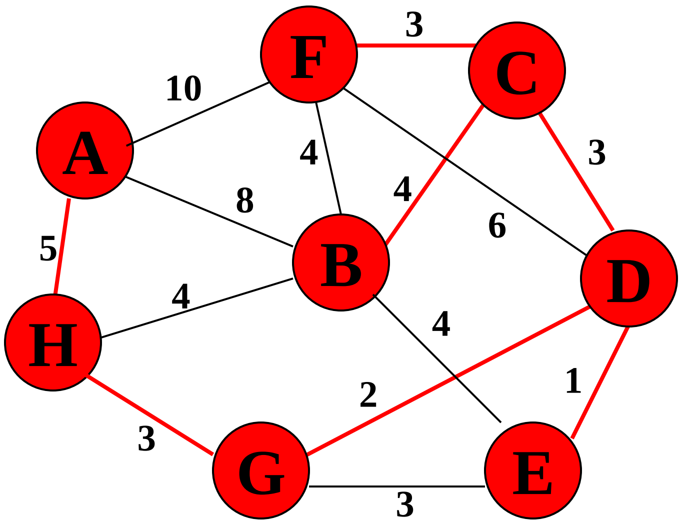

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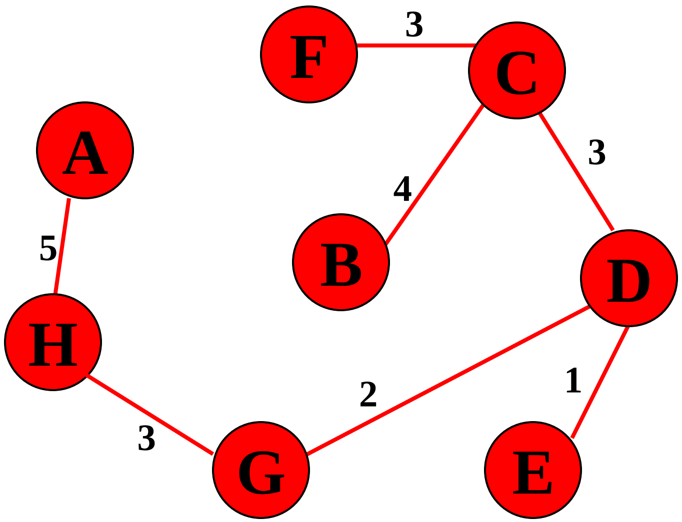

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Done

Total Cost = $\Sigma\, d_v = 21$

Kruskal's Algorithm

Let $G = (V, E)$ be the given graph, with $|V| = n$ {

Start with a graph $T = (V, \phi)$
consisting of only the vertices of G and no edges;

/* This can be viewed as n connected components,
each vertex being one connected component */

Arrange E in the order of increasing costs;

for ($i = 1$, $I \leq n - 1$, $i + +$) {

Select the next smallest cost edge;

if (the edge connects two different connected components)

add the edge to T;

}

}

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