

## Homework 6

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### 1 Instructions

- The solutions **should be typed**, using proper mathematical notation. We cannot accept hand-written solutions. Here's a short intro to  $\text{\LaTeX}$ .
- You should submit your work through the **class Gradescope page** only (linked from Canvas). Please submit one PDF file, compiled using this  $\text{\LaTeX}$  template.
- You may not need a full page for your solutions; pagebreaks are there to help Gradescope automatically find where each problem is. Even if you do not attempt every problem, please submit this document with no fewer pages than the blank template (or Gradescope has issues with it).
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- Posting to **any** service including, but not limited to Chegg, Reddit, StackExchange, etc., for help on an assignment is a violation of the Honor Code.
- You **must** virtually sign the Honor Code (see Section 2). Failure to do so will result in your assignment not being graded.

## 2 Honor Code (Make Sure to Virtually Sign)

- My submission is in my own words and reflects my understanding of the material.
- Any collaborations and external sources have been clearly cited in this document.
- I have not posted to external services including, but not limited to Chegg, Reddit, StackExchange, etc.
- I have neither copied nor provided others solutions they can copy.

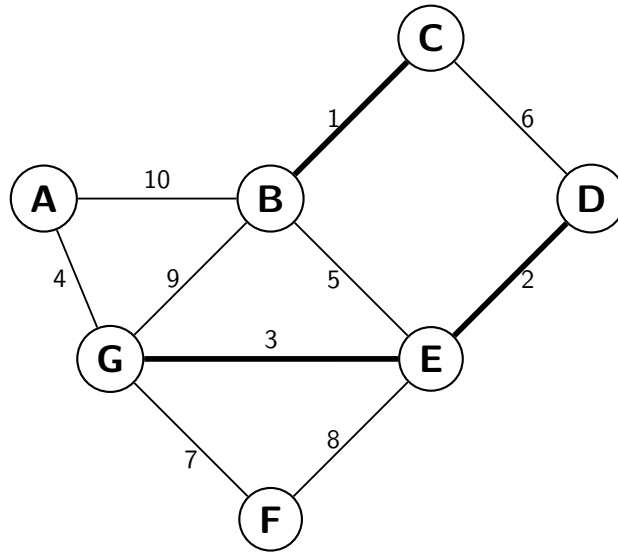
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### 3 Standard 6 – Safe and Useless Edges

#### 3.2 Problem 1 (4 points)

**Problem 1.** Consider the weighted graph  $G(V, E, w)$  below. Let  $\mathcal{F} = \{\{B, C\}, \{E, D\}, \{G, E\}\}$  be an intermediate spanning forest (indicated by the thick edges below). Label each edge that is **not** in  $\mathcal{F}$  as safe, useless, or undecided. Provide a 1-2 sentence explanation for each such edge.



*Answer.*     • The edge  $\{A, G\}$  is safe because it is a minimum edge that connects without creating a cycle.

- The edge  $\{A, B\}$  is useless because it would create a cycle and it is not a minimum weight edge.
- The edge  $\{G, B\}$  is useless because it would create a cycle and it is not a minimum weight edge.
- The edge  $\{G, F\}$  is a safe edge because it is a minimum weight edge that does not create a cycle.
- The edge  $\{F, E\}$  is a useless edge because it would create a cycle and is not a minimum weight edge.
- The edge  $\{E, B\}$  is a safe edge because it is a minimum weight edge that would not create a cycle.
- The edge  $\{C, D\}$  is a useless edge because it is not a minimum weight edge and it would create a cycle.

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