

## Unit 5.2 The Greedy Method, II

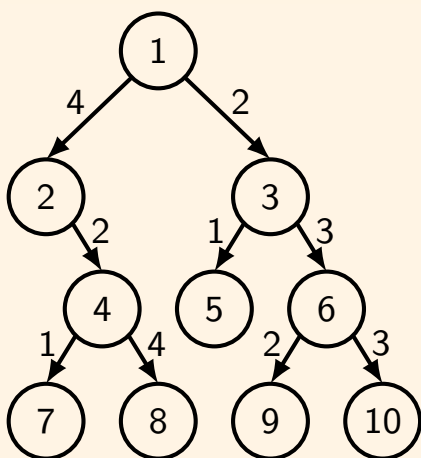
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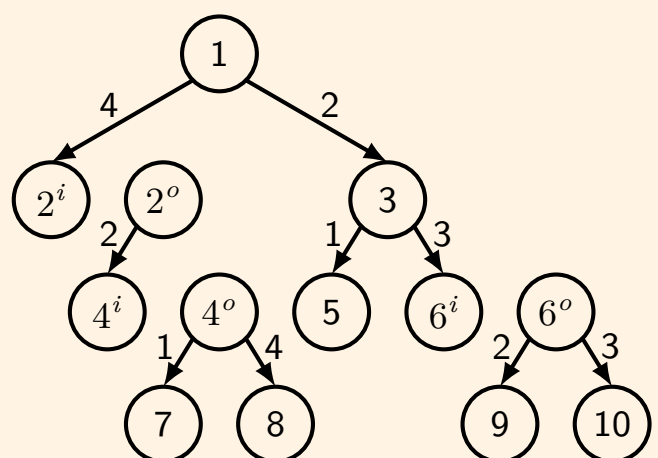
### Tree Vertex Splitting Problem

Original tree  $T$



$$d(T) = 10.$$

Tree with vertices splatted  $T/X$



$$d(T/X) = 5.$$

# Tree Vertex Splitting Problem – Definition

- $T = (V, E, w)$  is weighted directed tree.
  - $V$  is the vertex set,  $E$  is the edge set, and  $w$  is weight function for the edges.
  - $w(i, j)$  is defined if the edge  $\langle i, j \rangle \in E$ ;  $w(i, j)$  is undefined if  $\langle i, j \rangle \notin E$ .
  - A **source vertex** is a vertex with in-degree 0.
  - A **sink vertex** is a vertex with out-degree 0.
  - For any path  $P$  in the tree, its **delay**,  $d(P)$ , is defined to be the sum of the weights on the path.
  - The **delay of the tree**,  $d(T)$ , is the maximum of all the path delays.
- $T/X$  is the forest resulted from splitting every vertex  $u$  in  $X \subseteq V$  into two nodes  $u^i$  and  $u^o$  such that all the edges  $\langle i, u \rangle$  are replaced by  $\langle i, u^i \rangle$  and all the edges  $\langle u, j \rangle$  are replaced by  $\langle u^o, j \rangle$ .
- The **Tree Vertex Splitting Problem (TVSP)** is to find a set  $X \subseteq V$  with minimum cardinality for which  $d(T/X) \leq \delta$  for some specified tolerance  $\delta$ .
  - Note that a TVSP has solution only if the maximum edge weight is less than or equal to  $\delta$ .
  - Any  $X \subseteq V$  with  $d(T/X) \leq \delta$  is a feasible solution.
  - The optimal solution is the feasible  $X$  with the minimum number of vertices.

# Tree Vertex Splitting Problem – Algorithm

## Algorithm 5.2.1. TVS

```
// Find the minimum set  $X$  for vertex splitting.
// Input: tree  $T$ , maximum edge weight  $\delta$ 
// Output: solution  $X$ .
1 Algorithm TVS( $T, \delta, X$ )
2 {
3     if ( $T \neq \emptyset$ ) then {
4          $d[T] := 0$ ;
5         for each child  $v$  of  $T$  do {
6             TVS( $v, \delta, X$ );
7              $d[T] := \max(d[T], d[v] + w(T, v))$ ;
8         }
9         if (( $T$  is not the root ) and ( $d(T) + w(\text{parent}(T), T) > \delta$ )) then {
10             $X := X \cup \{T\}$ ;
11             $d[T] := 0$ ;
12        }
13    }
14 }
```

- Note that  $d$  is a global array that stores the *delay* for each vertex.

# Tree Vertex Splitting Problem – Algorithm II

## Algorithm 5.2.2. TVS1

```
// Tree vertex splitting with tree stored in an array tree[1 : n].
// Input: root i, maximum edge weight  $\delta$ 
// Output: solution X.
1 Algorithm TVS1(i,  $\delta$ , X)
2 {
3     if (tree[i]  $\neq$  0) then {
4         if ( $2 \times i > N$ ) then d[i] := 0; // i is a leaf.
5         else {
6             TVS1( $2 \times i$ ,  $\delta$ , X);
7             d[i] := max(d[i], d[ $2 \times i$ ] + w[ $2 \times i$ ]);
8             if ( $2 \times i + 1 \leq N$ ) then {
9                 TVS1( $2 \times i + 1$ ,  $\delta$ , X);
10                d[i] := max(d[i], d[ $2 \times i + 1$ ] + w[ $2 \times i + 1$ ]);
11            }
12        }
13        if ((i  $\neq$  1) and (d[i] + w[i]  $>$   $\delta$ )) then {
14            X := X  $\cup$  {i};
15            d[i] := 0;
16        }
17    }
18 }
```

## Tree Vertex Splitting Problem – Complexity and Optimality

- In this version the directed **binary tree** is stored in an array *tree*
- The weight is stored in array *w* and *w*[*i*] is the weight of the parent of vertex *i* to vertex *i*.
- Array *d* is still the *delay* of each vertex.
- The time complexity of Algorithm TVS is  $\Theta(n)$ .
  - Every vertex of *T* is traversed once.

### Theorem 5.2.3.

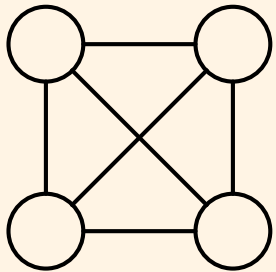
Algorithm **TVS** finds a minimum cardinality set *X* such that  $d(T/X) \leq \delta$  on any tree *T*, provided that no edge of *T* has weight greater than  $\delta$ .

- Proof please see textbook [Horowitz], pp. 225 - 226.

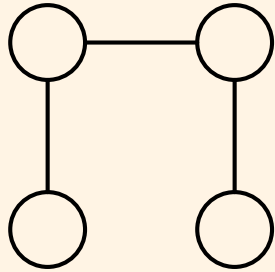
# Minimum-Cost Spanning Trees

## Definition 5.2.4.

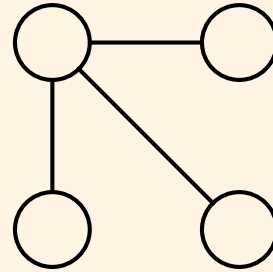
Let  $G = (V, E)$  be an undirected connected graph. A sub-graph  $T = (V, E')$  with  $E' \subseteq E$  is a **spanning tree** of  $G$  if and only if  $T$  is a tree.



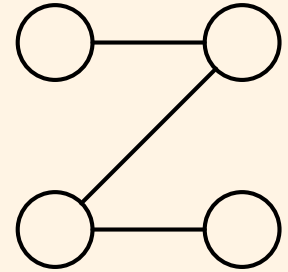
Undirected graph  
 $G$ .



Spanning tree  
 $T_1$ .



Spanning tree  
 $T_2$ .



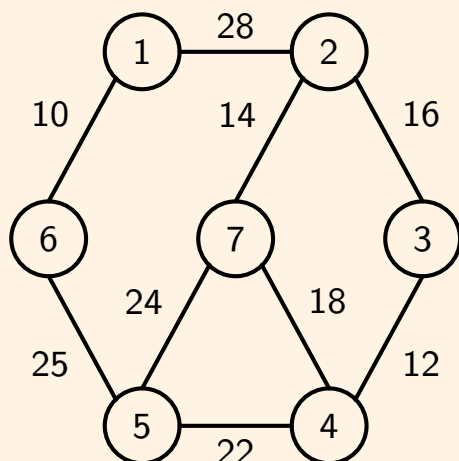
Spanning tree  
 $T_3$ .

### • Notes

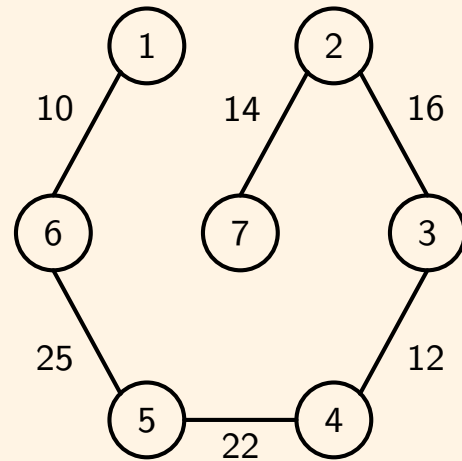
- Spanning tree is not unique.
- Spanning trees have  $n - 1$  edges ( $n = |V|$ .)

## Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Example

- In addition, there is a cost function associated with each edge,  $w : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
- The cost of a tree is the sum of the costs of the tree edges.
- A **feasible solution** of the minimum-cost spanning tree of a undirected graph  $G$  is any spanning tree  $T$  of  $G$ .
- The **optimal solution** is a spanning tree with the minimum cost.



An undirected graph,  $G$ .



Minimum-cost spanning tree,  $T$ .

# Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Generic Algorithm

- Using the greedy methodology, let  $T$  be a subset of a spanning tree, at each step an edge  $(u, v)$  is added to  $T$  to maintain the feasibility of the solution.
- An edge,  $(u, v)$ , is **safe** to a set of edges  $T$  if  $T \cup \{(u, v)\}$  is still a subset of a spanning tree.
- The generic algorithm for the minimum-cost spanning tree then is:

## Algorithm 5.2.5. Generic minimum-cost spanning tree

```
// Given a graph  $G(V, E)$  with cost function  $w$  find minimum cost spanning tree.
// Input:  $V, E, n, w$ 
// Output: minimum cost tree  $T$ .
1 Algorithm MCST( $V, E, n, w, T$ )
2 {
3      $T := \emptyset$ ;
4     while ( $|T| < n - 1$ ) do {
5         select an edge  $(u, v) \in E$  {
6             if  $(u, v)$  is safe to  $T$  then  $T := T \cup (u, v)$ ;
7              $E := E - \{(u, v)\}$ ;
8         }
9     }
10 }
```

- The key is in line 5, how to select an edge.

# Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Prim's Algorithm

## Algorithm 5.2.6. Prim

```
// Given a graph  $G(V, E)$  with cost function  $w$  find minimum cost spanning tree.
// Input:  $V, E, n, w$ 
// Output: minimum cost tree  $T$  and  $mincost$ .
1 Algorithm Prim( $V, E, n, w, T$ )
2 {
3     Find edge  $(k, \ell) \in E$  with the minimum cost ;
4      $mincost := w[k, \ell]$ ; //  $mincost$  set to minimum edge cost.
5      $T[1, 1] := k$ ; // Add  $(k, \ell)$  to spanning tree.
6      $T[1, 2] := \ell$ ;
7     for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do // Init near array for every vertices.
8         if  $(w[i, \ell] < w[i, k])$  then  $near[i] := \ell$ ;
9         else  $near[i] := k$ ;
10     $near[k] := near[\ell] := 0$ ; // Vertices already in the spanning tree.
11    for  $i := 2$  to  $(n - 1)$  do {
12        Find  $j$  such that  $near[j] \neq 0$  and  $w[j, near[j]]$  is minimum ;
13         $T[i, 1] := j$ ; // Add minimum cost near edge to tree.
14         $T[i, 2] := near[j]$ ;
15         $mincost := mincost + w[j, near[j]]$ ; // Update  $mincost$ .
16         $near[j] := 0$ ; // Reset near array for selected vertex.
17        for  $k := 1$  to  $n$  do // update near array for the other unselected vertices.
18            if  $((near[k] \neq 0) \text{ and } (w[k, near[k]] > w[k, j]))$  then  $near[k] := j$ ;
19    }
20    return  $mincost$ ;
21 }
```

# Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Prim's Algorithm II

- In Algorithm **Prim**

1. The edge with the minimum cost is first selected as the initial tree
2. The array **near** keeps the node already selected in the tree with the smallest single-edge cost for each node
3. Among the all the **near** edges, the minimum is selected and the node added to the tree
4. Array **near** is then updated and go back to step 3 until all nodes have been selected

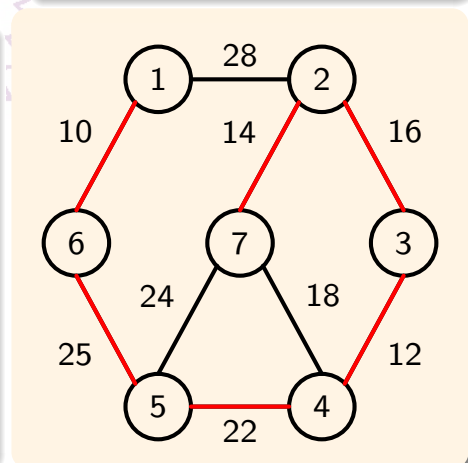
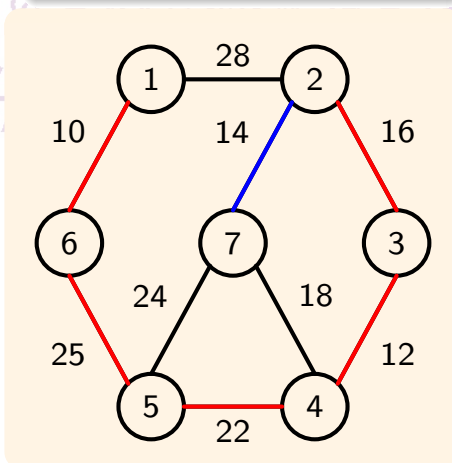
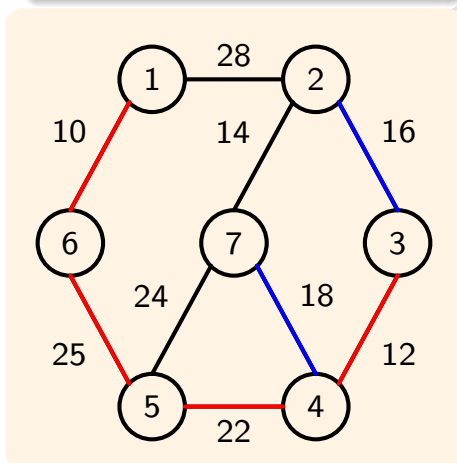
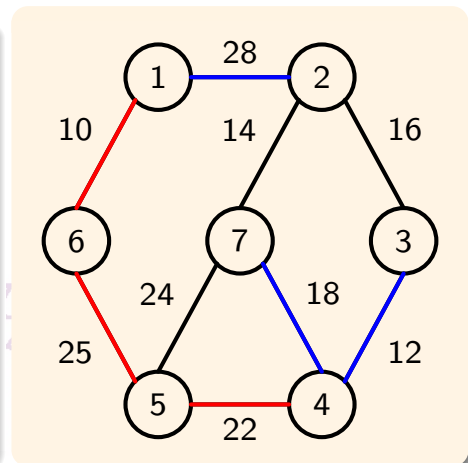
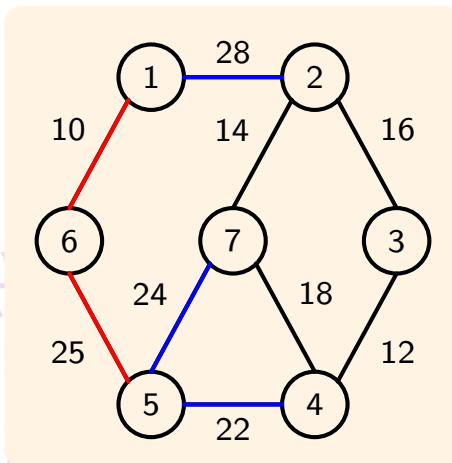
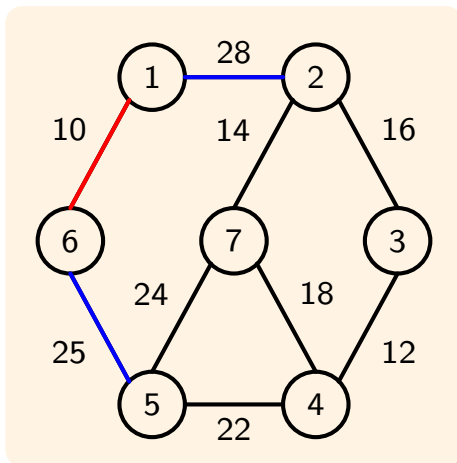
- The time complexity is dominated by

- Finding the minimum-cost edge on **line 3**,  $\mathcal{O}(|E|) \approx \mathcal{O}(n^2)$
- Loop on **lines 7-9**,  $\mathcal{O}(n)$
- Loop on **lines 11-19**
  - Inner loops **line 12** and **lines 17-18**
  - Complexity  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$
- Overall complexity is  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$

- The time complexity can be improved to  $\mathcal{O}((n + |E|) \lg n)$

- If the non-selected vertices are stored in a red-black tree

## Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Prim's Algorithm Example





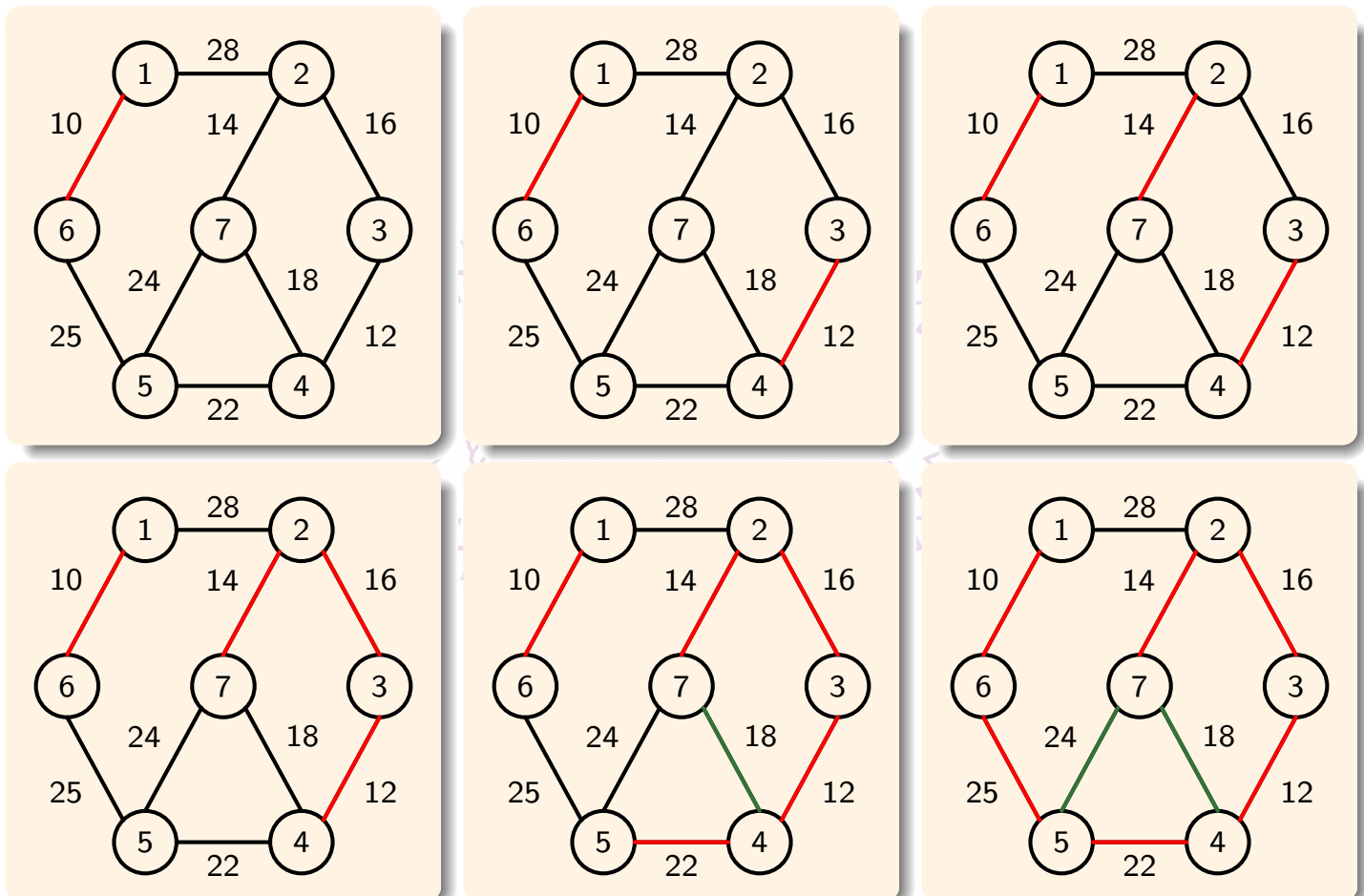
# Kruskal's Algorithm – High Level

- A different approach to finding the minimum-cost spanning tree
- High level description of the algorithm

## Algorithm 5.2.7. Kruskal's Algorithm

```
// Given a graph  $G(V, E)$  with cost function  $w$  find minimum cost spanning tree.  
// Input:  $V, E, n, w$   
// Output: minimum cost tree  $T$ .  
1 Algorithm KruskalH( $V, E, n, w, T$ )  
2 {  
3      $T := \emptyset$ ;  
4     while (( $T$  has less than  $(n - 1)$  edges ) and ( $E \neq \emptyset$ )) do {  
5         Find the edge  $(u, v) \in E$  with the minimum cost ;  
6         Delete( $u, v$ ) from  $E$ ;  
7         if  $(u, v)$  does not create a cycle in  $T$  then  $T := T \cup (u, v)$  ;  
8         else discard  $(u, v)$  ;  
9     }  
10 }
```

## Kruskal's Algorithm – Example



# Kruskal's Algorithm

## Algorithm 5.2.8. Kruskal's Algorithm

```
// Given a graph  $G(V, E)$  with cost function  $w$  find minimum cost spanning tree.
// Input:  $V, E, n, w$ 
// Output: minimum cost tree  $T$  and  $mincost$ .
1 Algorithm Kruskal( $V, E, n, w, T$ )
2 {
3     Construct a min heap from the edge costs using Heapify;
4     for  $i := 1$  to  $n$  do  $parent[i] := -1$ ; // Enable cycle checking
5      $i := 0$ ;
6      $mincost := 0$ ;
7     while ( $i < n - 1$ ) and (heap not empty) do {
8         delete a minimum cost edge  $(u, v)$  from the heap ;
9         Adjust the heap ;
10         $j := Find(u)$ ; // using parent array
11         $k := Find(v)$ ;
12        if ( $j \neq k$ ) then {
13             $i := i + 1$ ;
14             $T[i, 1] := u$ ;
15             $T[i, 2] := v$ ;
16             $mincost := mincost + w[u, v]$ ;
17            Union( $j, k$ ); // modify parent array
18        }
19    }
20    if ( $i \neq n - 1$ ) then write("No spanning tree");
21    else return  $mincost$ ;
22 }
```

## Kruskal's Algorithm – Complexity and Optimality

- The time complexity of Kruskal algorithm is dominated by the while loop, lines 7-19, –  $\mathcal{O}(|E|)$ 
  - Line 8 finding minimum cost edge,  $\mathcal{O}(1)$
  - Line 9 Adjust the heap,  $\mathcal{O}(\lg |E|)$
  - Overall complexity  $\mathcal{O}(|E| \lg |E|)$ .

### Theorem 5.2.9.

Kruskal's algorithm (Algorithm 5.2.8) generates a minimum-cost spanning tree for every undirected connected graph  $G$ .

- Proof please see textbook [Horowitz], p. 244.



# Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Properties

- A different approach to prove Kruskal's algorithm.
- We define the following terms.
  - A **cut**  $(S, V - S)$  of an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a partition of  $V$ , i.e.,  $S \in V$ .
  - An edge  $(u, v) \in E$  is said to **cross** the cut  $(S, V - S)$  if one of its end points is in  $S$  and the other in  $V - S$ .
  - A cut is said to **respect** a set  $T$  of edges if no edges in  $T$  crosses the cut.
  - An edge is said to be a **light edge** crossing a cut if its cost is the minimum of any edge crossing the cut.

## Theorem 5.2.10.

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected, undirected graph with a cost function  $w$  defined on  $E$ . Let  $T$  be a subset of  $E$  that is subset of a spanning tree of  $G$ , let  $(S, V - S)$  be any cut of  $G$  that respects  $T$ , and let  $(u, v)$  be a light edge crossing  $(S, V - S)$ . Then, edge  $(u, v)$  is safe for  $T$ .

- Proof please see textbook [Cormen], pp. 627-628.

# Minimum-Cost Spanning Tree, Properties, II

## Corollary 5.2.11.

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connect, undirected graph with cost function  $w$  defined on  $E$ . Let  $T$  be a subset of  $E$  that is included in a minimum spanning tree of  $G$ , and let  $C = (V_C, E_C)$  be a connected component (tree) in the forest  $G_T = (V, T)$ . If  $(u, v)$  is a light edge connecting  $C$  to some other component in  $G_T$ , then  $(u, v)$  is safe for  $T$ .

- Proof please see textbook [Cormen], pp. 629.
- Algorithm **Prim** can be shown to be a special case of Theorem (5.2.10), and it also returns an optimal solution.

- Matroid theory explains why greedy method solves the maximum/minimum subset problems.
  - The theory was developed by Hassler Whitney, American Mathematician, in 1935 by generalizing the structure of linear independence in vector space
  - Jack Edmonds, American Computer Scientist, applied to greedy algorithms
  - Reference: Bernhard Korte and Jens Vygen, *Combinatorial Optimization – theory and algorithms*, 4th edition, Springer, 2008.
- The concept of independence system is generalized from vector space.

## Independent Systems

### Definition 5.2.12. Independence System

Let  $S$  be a finite set and  $\mathcal{I} = \{X : X \subseteq S\}$ , then the set system  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is an **independence system** if

- (M1)  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ ;
- (M2) If  $Y \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $X \subseteq Y$  then  $X \in \mathcal{I}$ .

The elements of  $\mathcal{I}$  are called **independent**, the elements of  $2^S \setminus \mathcal{I}$  **dependent**. Minimal dependent sets are called **circuits**, maximal independent sets are called **bases**. For  $X \subseteq S$ , the maximal independent subsets of  $X$  are called bases of  $X$ .

- The set  $\mathcal{I}$  can be defined by its property, instead of listing all elements.

### Definition 5.2.13.

Let  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  be an independence system. For  $X \subseteq S$  we define the **rank** of  $X$  by

$$r(X) = \max\{|Y| : Y \subseteq X, Y \in \mathcal{I}\}.$$

# Examples of Independence Systems

- Example M1:

Let  $S_V$  be the set of columns of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathcal{I}_V = \{X \subseteq S_V : \text{the column vectors in } X \text{ are linearly independent}\}$ , then the set system  $(S_V, \mathcal{I}_V)$  is an independence system.

(1) It is apparent  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ .

(2) If  $Y \in \mathcal{I}$  then any subset  $X \subseteq Y$  also contains independent column vectors.

- Example M2:

Given a undirected graph  $G(V, E)$ , let  $S_G = E$ , the set of all edges, and  $\mathcal{I}_G = \{Y : Y \subseteq E \text{ and } Y \text{ is a forest}\}$ , then the set system  $(S_G, \mathcal{I}_G)$  is an independence system.

(1) It is apparent  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ .

(2) If  $Y \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $Y$  is a forest, and any subset  $X \subseteq Y$  is also a forest.

- Example M3:

Given any finite set  $S_U$ , let  $k$  be an integer,  $k \leq |S_U|$ , and  $\mathcal{I} = \{Y : Y \subseteq S_U \text{ and } |Y| \leq k\}$ , then the set system  $(S_U, \mathcal{I}_U)$  is an independence system.

(1) It is apparent  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{I}$ .

(2) If  $Y \in \mathcal{I}$ , then  $|Y| \leq k$ . Any  $X \subseteq Y$  has  $|X| \leq |Y| \leq k$ .

## Matroid

### Definition 5.2.14. Matroid

An independence system  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is a **matroid** if

(M3) If  $X, Y \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $|X| > |Y|$ , then there is an  $x \in X \setminus Y$  such that  $Y \cup \{x\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .

- **Vector Matroid:** The independence system  $(S_V, \mathcal{I}_V)$  in Example M1 is a matroid.

- (M3) property is observed  $(S_V, \mathcal{I}_V)$ .

- **Graphic Matroid:** The independence system  $(S_G, \mathcal{I}_G)$  in Example M2 is a matroid.

- (M3) property is observed. If  $|X| > |Y|$  and for every  $x \in X$  either  $x \in Y$  or  $Y \cup \{x\}$  forms a cycle. In either case, both vertices of the edge  $x$  belong to the same connected component in  $Y$ . The number of such edge cannot exceed  $|Y|$  while maintaining a forest property, thus  $|X| \leq |Y|$ . This contradicts to the assumption  $|X| > |Y|$ .

- **Uniform Matroid:** The independence system  $(S_U, \mathcal{I}_U)$  in Example M3 is a matroid.

- (M3) property is observed. If  $|X| > |Y|$  then there is an  $x \in X \setminus Y$  and then  $|Y \cup \{x\}| = |Y| + 1 \leq |X| \leq k$ .

## Theorem 5.2.15.

Let  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  be an independence system. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (M3) If  $X, Y \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $|X| > |Y|$ , then there is an  $x \in X \setminus Y$  with  $Y \cup \{x\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .
- (M3') If  $X, Y \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $|X| = |Y| + 1$ , then there is an  $x \in X \setminus Y$  with  $Y \cup \{x\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .
- (M3'') For each  $X \subseteq S$ , all bases of  $X$  have the same cardinality.

**Proof.** It is easy to see  $(M3) \Leftrightarrow (M3')$  and  $(M3) \Rightarrow (M3'')$ . To prove  $(M3'') \Rightarrow (M3)$ , let  $X, Y \in \mathcal{I}$  and  $|X| > |Y|$ . By  $(M3'')$ ,  $Y$  cannot be a basis of  $X \cup Y$ . So there must be an  $x \in (X \cup Y) \setminus Y = X \setminus Y$  such that  $Y \cup \{x\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .  $\square$

- Thus, an independence system can also be shown to be a matroid using either property  $(M3')$  or  $(M3'')$ .
- For the graphic matroid, it is known that a spanning tree of a connect graph  $G(V, E)$  has  $|V| - 1$  edges. Thus, the rank  $r(S_G) = |S_G| - 1$  if  $G$  is connected.

## Weighted Matroid and Optimization Problems

### Definition 5.2.16. Weighted Matroid

A matroid  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is **weighted** if it is associated with a weight function  $w : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ . The weight function  $w$  extends to subsets of  $S$  by summation:

$$w(X) = \sum_{x \in X} w(x) \quad \text{for any } X \subseteq S. \quad (5.1)$$

- **Maximization problem of independence systems**  
Given an independence system  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  and the weight function  $w : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ , find an  $X \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $w(X) = \sum_{x \in X} w(x)$  is maximum.
- A corresponding minimization can be formulated
  - Solution algorithms can also be derived.

# Greedy Algorithms

- Two types of algorithms possible  
The first one is

## Algorithm 5.2.17. Best-In Greedy Algorithm

```
// Given  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  and  $w : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  find  $X \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $w(X)$  is maximum.
// Input:  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  and  $w$ .
// Output:  $X$ 
1 Algorithm Best-In-Greedy( $S, \mathcal{I}, w$ )
2 {
3     Sort  $S$  into nonincreasing order by  $w$  ;
4      $X := \emptyset$ ; // Initialize to empty set.
5     for each  $x \in S$  in order do { // Try all elements.
6         if  $(X \cup \{x\} \in \mathcal{I})$  then { // Maintain independence then add.
7              $X := X \cup \{x\}$ ;
8         }
9     }
10    return  $X$ ;
11 }
```

## Greedy Algorithms, II

### Theorem 5.2.18.

The best-in greedy algorithm (5.2.17) solves the independence system  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  maximization problem correctly if  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is a matroid.

**Proof.** By induction. The first  $x$  in the ordered  $S$  with  $\{x\} \in \mathcal{I}$  is apparently the solution for any  $X \subset S$  with  $r(X) = 1$ . Suppose the best solution has been found for any  $X \subset S$  and  $r(X) = k$  and  $k < r(S)$ , then there is a  $Y \in \mathcal{I}$  such that  $r(Y) = r(X) + 1$ , further more there is  $x \in S$  with  $Y = X \cup \{x\}$  and  $x$  is in the remaining  $S$ . The  $x$  with largest  $w(x)$  is apparently the choice, which would be picked first by the algorithm. Hence, this  $Y$  is the solution for  $r(X) + 1$ . By induction, the theorem is proven.  $\square$

- Note that the maximization problem is defined for independence systems, and the algorithm works if the system is a matroid.
- The graph minimum spanning tree problem can be formulated as a minimization problem for a matroid system.
- The Kruskal's Algorithm is a best-in greedy algorithm.



- Alternative solution

## Algorithm 5.2.19. Worst Out Greedy Algorithm

```

// Given  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  and  $w : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  find a basis  $X$  of  $S$  such that  $w(X)$  is maximum.
// Input:  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  and  $w$ .
// Output:  $X$ 
1 Algorithm Worst-Out-Greedy( $S, \mathcal{I}, w$ )
2 {
3     Sort  $S$  into nondecreasing order by  $w$  ;
4      $X := S$ ; // Initialize to entire set.
5     for each  $x \in S$  in order do { // Try all elements.
6         if  $(r(X \setminus \{x\}) = r(X))$  then { // rank unchanged.
7              $X := X \setminus \{x\}$ ;
8         }
9     }
10    return  $X$ ;
11 }
```

- This algorithm can generate optimal solution if the given system is a matroid, and the proof is similar to the best-in greedy algorithm.

## Job Sequencing with Deadlines

- Given a set of  $n$  jobs to be processed on one machine.
  - Each job takes 1 time unit to process.
  - Associated with job  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , there is a deadline  $d_i$  and profit  $p_i$ .
  - If job  $i$  is completed by  $d_i$  then  $p_i$  is earned.
- A feasible solution is a subset  $J$  of jobs that each job in  $J$  can be completed by its deadline.
  - The value of the subset  $J$  is  $\sum_{i \in J} p_i$ .
- An optimal solution is a feasible solution with the maximum value.

- Example,  $n = 4$ ,  
 $\{p_1, p_2, p_3, p_4\} = \{100, 10, 15, 27\}$ ,  
 $\{d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4\} = \{2, 1, 2, 1\}$ .

- Feasible solutions are

	Feasible solution	Processing sequence	Value
1	$\{1, 2\}$	2,1	110
2	$\{1, 3\}$	1,3 or 3,1	115
3	$\{1, 4\}$	4,1	127
4	$\{2, 3\}$	2,3	25
5	$\{3, 4\}$	4,3	42
6	$\{1\}$	1	100
7	$\{2\}$	2	10
8	$\{3\}$	3	15
9	$\{4\}$	4	27

- Solution 3 is optimal.



# Job Sequencing with Deadlines – Algorithm

- Applying greedy method to job sequencing problem

## Algorithm 5.2.20. Job Sequencing – Greedy Method

```
// Solve job scheduling problem with jobs sorted in non-increasing profit.
// Input: int  $n$ , deadline  $d[1 : n]$ , profit  $p[1 : n]$ 
// Output: Optimal sequence  $J[1 : k]$ .
1 Algorithm JSgreedy( $n, d, p, J$ )
2 {
3      $J := \{1\}$ ; // init to highest profit job
4     for  $i := 2$  to  $n$  do { // check every job
5         if ( $J \cup \{i\}$  is feasible ) then
6              $J := J \cup \{i\}$ ;
7     }
8 }
```

- Example

Ordered sequence:  $\{1, 4, 3, 2\}$ ,  $p = \{100, 27, 15, 10\}$ ,

step 1:  $J = \{1\}$ ,  $p = 100$ ,

step 2:  $J = \{1, 4\}$ ,  $p = 127$ ,

step 3: reject job 3, not feasible, step 4: reject job 2, not feasible.

# Job Sequencing with Deadlines – Algorithm Optimality

- Optimality of the algorithm follows from the following theorem.

## Theorem 5.2.21.

Given a job sequencing problem Algorithm JSgreedy (Algorithm 5.2.20) generates an optimal solution.

- Note that there can be groups of jobs that only some of them can be selected as  $\{1, 2\}$ ,  $\{1, 3\}$ ,  $\{1, 4\}$ ,  $\{2, 3\}$ , and  $\{3, 4\}$  in the example. Follows the algorithm,  $\{1, 4\}$  are selected. The only possibility that this solution is not optimal is that  $P\{1, 4\}$  is smaller than  $P\{2, 3\}$ . But, job 4 has higher profit than either job 2 or 3. Thus, the selection by JSgreedy is the optimal solution.
- Unit execution time of each job is an important factor.

## Algorithm 5.2.22. Job Sequencing

```

// Solve job scheduling problem with jobs sorted in non-increasing profit.
// Input: int n, deadline d[1 : n], profit p[1 : n]
// Output: Optimal sequence J[1 : k].
1 Algorithm JS(n, d, p, J)
2 {
3     d[0] := J[0] := 0; // to facilitate while loop stopping
4     J[1] := 1; k := 1; // init to highest profit job
5     for i := 2 to n do { // check every job
6         r := k;
7         while ((d[J[r]] > d[i]) and (d[J[r]] ≠ r)) do // find time slot job i fits
8             r := r - 1;
9         if ((d[J[r]] ≤ d[i]) and (d[i] > r)) then { // insert i into J
10            for q := k to (r + 1) step -1 do J[q + 1] := J[q]; // move jobs to make room
11            J[r + 1] := i; // assign job
12            k := k + 1;
13        }
14    }
15 }

```

- Line 3 creates a stopping condition for the while loop on line 7.
- The worst-case time complexity of JS algorithm is  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$ .
  - Outer loop, lines 5–14
  - Inner loops, lines 7–8 and line 10.
- The space complexity of JS algorithm is  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  for arrays  $J$ ,  $p$ , and  $d$ .

## Job Sequencing with Deadlines – Algorithm correctness

### Theorem 5.2.23.

Given a job sequencing problem Algorithm JS (Algorithm 5.2.22) correctly generates the optimal solution.

- Proof can be found in textbook [Horowitz] pp. 230 - 232.
- Example:  $n = 5$ , Jobs = {A, B, C, D, E},  $p[] = \{20, 15, 10, 5, 1\}$ , and  $d[] = \{2, 2, 1, 3, 3\}$ . Then, the execution sequence of the algorithm is as following.

$i$	$d[i]$	action	$J[]$	$d[J[]]$	$p[J[]]$	$k$
1	2	init to A	{A}	{2}	{20}	1
2	2	accepting B	{A, B}	{2, 2}	{20, 15}	2
3	1	rejecting C	{A, B}	{2, 2}	{20, 15}	2
4	3	accepting D	{A, B, D}	{2, 2, 3}	{20, 15, 5}	3
5	3	rejecting E	{A, B, D}	{2, 2, 3}	{20, 15, 5}	3

# Job Sequencing with Deadlines – Matroid Formulation

- The job sequencing with deadline can be shown to be a matroid.  
The set  $\mathcal{S}$  contains all the jobs, and a set  $A$  of jobs are independent if there is a schedule such that all jobs in  $A$  are done before their deadlines.

## Lemma 5.2.25.

For any set of jobs  $A$ , the following statements are equivalent.

1. The set  $A$  is independent.
2. Let  $N_t(A)$  denote the number of jobs completed before time  $t$ , then for  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have  $N_t(A) \leq t$ .
3. If the tasks in  $A$  are scheduled in order of monotonically increasing deadlines, the all jobs in  $A$  are completed before their deadlines.

## Theorem 5.2.26.

If  $\mathcal{S}$  is a set of unit-time jobs with deadlines, and  $\mathcal{I}$  is the set of all independent sets of tasks, then the corresponding system  $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{I})$  is a matroid.

- Since the job sequencing problem is a matroid, the greedy algorithm can be applied and it results in an optimal solution.

# Container-Loading Problem and Matroid

- Container loading problem
  - $n$  containers with weight  $w_i > 0$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$
  - Capacity  $c$
  - Find  $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Maximize:} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i, \\ \text{Subject to:} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \cdot w_i \leq c. \end{aligned}$$

- Example:  $n = 8$ ,  $(w_1, \dots, w_8) = (100, 200, 50, 90, 150, 50, 20, 80)$ ,  $c = 400$ .  
Let  $S = \{w_i : 1 \leq i \leq 8\}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} = \{T \subseteq S : \sum_{t_i \in T} w(t_i) \leq c\}$ .
  - It can be shown that  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is an independence system.  
Since if  $T \in \mathcal{I}$ , any subset of  $T$  has total weight less than  $c$ .
  - But  $(S, \mathcal{I})$  is not matroid.
    - Example,  $T_1 = \{100, 50, 50\} \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  $T_2 = \{200\} \in \mathcal{I}$ ,  
 $|T_1| > |T_2|$  but there is no  $t \in T_1$  such that  $T_2 \cup \{t\} \in \mathcal{I}$ .
  - Greedy method still works for this problem.
  - Matroid is a necessary but not a sufficient condition for greedy method.

- Tree vertex splitting problem.
- Minimum-cost spanning tree problem.
- The theory of Matroid.
- Job sequencing with deadlines.

