

Course title : **CSE2001**  
Course title : **Data Structures and Algorithms**  
Module : **6**  
Topic : **3**

# Minimum Spanning Tree

# Objectives

This session will give the knowledge about

- Minimum Spanning Tree
- Prim's Algorithm
- Kruskal's Algorithm

# Introduction to MST

A Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) is a sub-graph of an undirected connected graph, which includes all the vertices of the graph with a minimum possible number of edges ( $n-1$  edges).

Minimum spanning tree has direct application in the design of networks. It is used in algorithms approximating the travelling salesman problem, multi-terminal minimum cut problem and minimum-cost weighted perfect matching. Other practical applications are:

- Cluster Analysis
- Handwriting recognition
- Image segmentation

# Constraints on MST

1. All vertices must be connected
2.  $N-1$  edges should be there
3. Cost of Spanning tree (Addition of all edges' cost) must be minimum
4. No Cycle

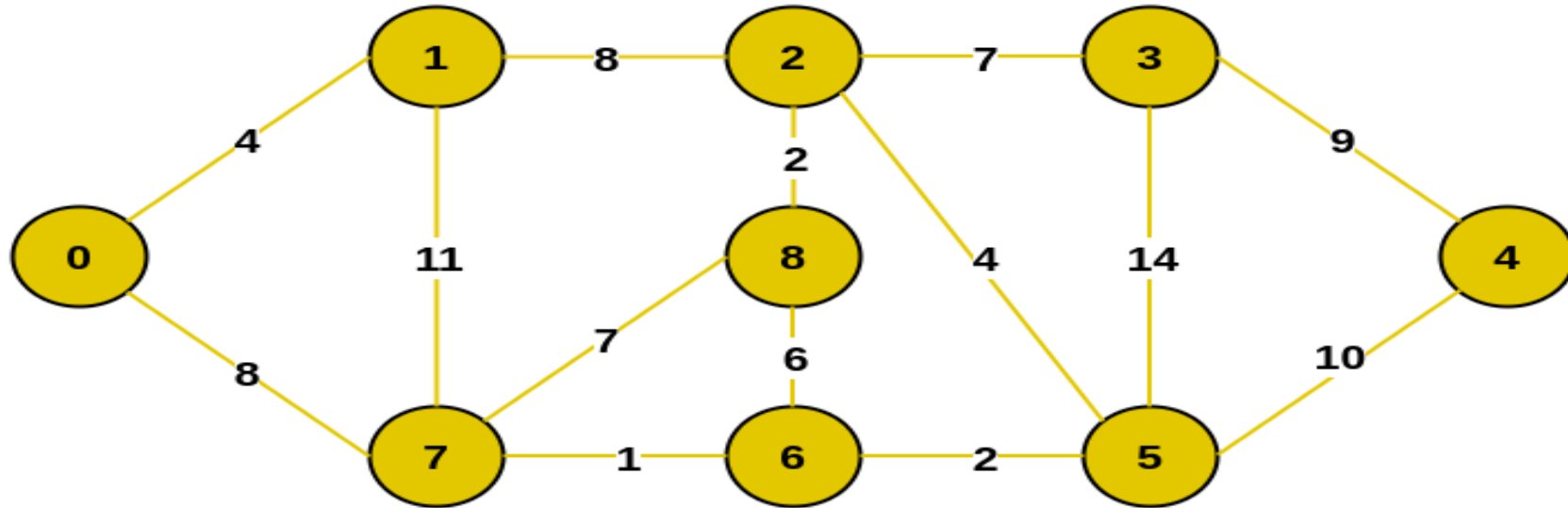
Algorithms:

- Prim's Algorithm
- Kruskal's Algorithm

# Rules for Prim's Algorithm

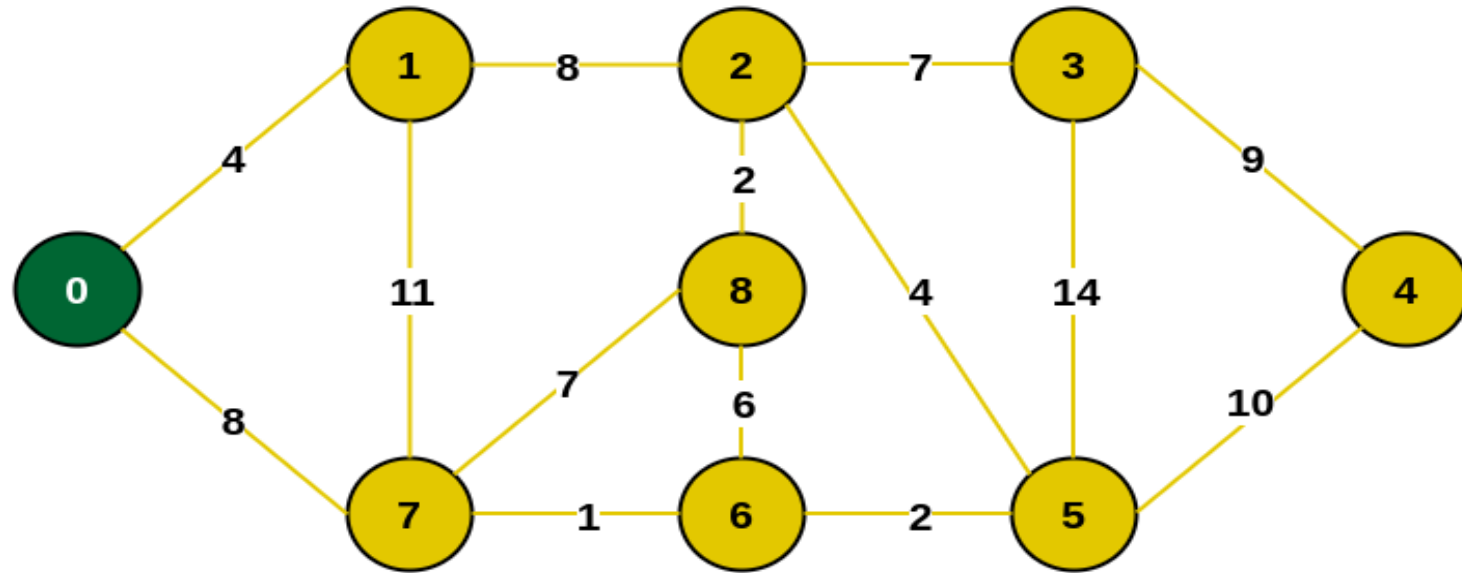
1. Remove self loops
2. Remove parallel edges
3. Select any vertices (smallest vertices)
4. Select the smallest connected next vertices

# Prim's Algorithm



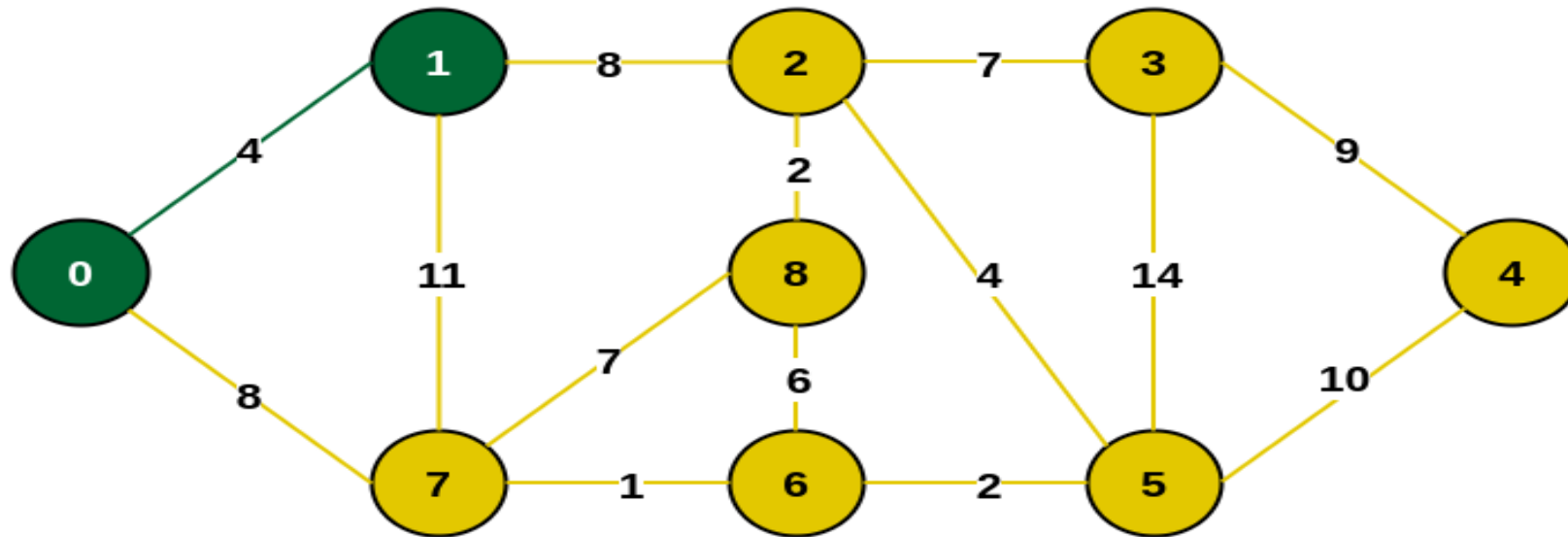
Example of a Graph

# Prim's Algorithm



Select an arbitrary starting vertex. Here we have selected 0

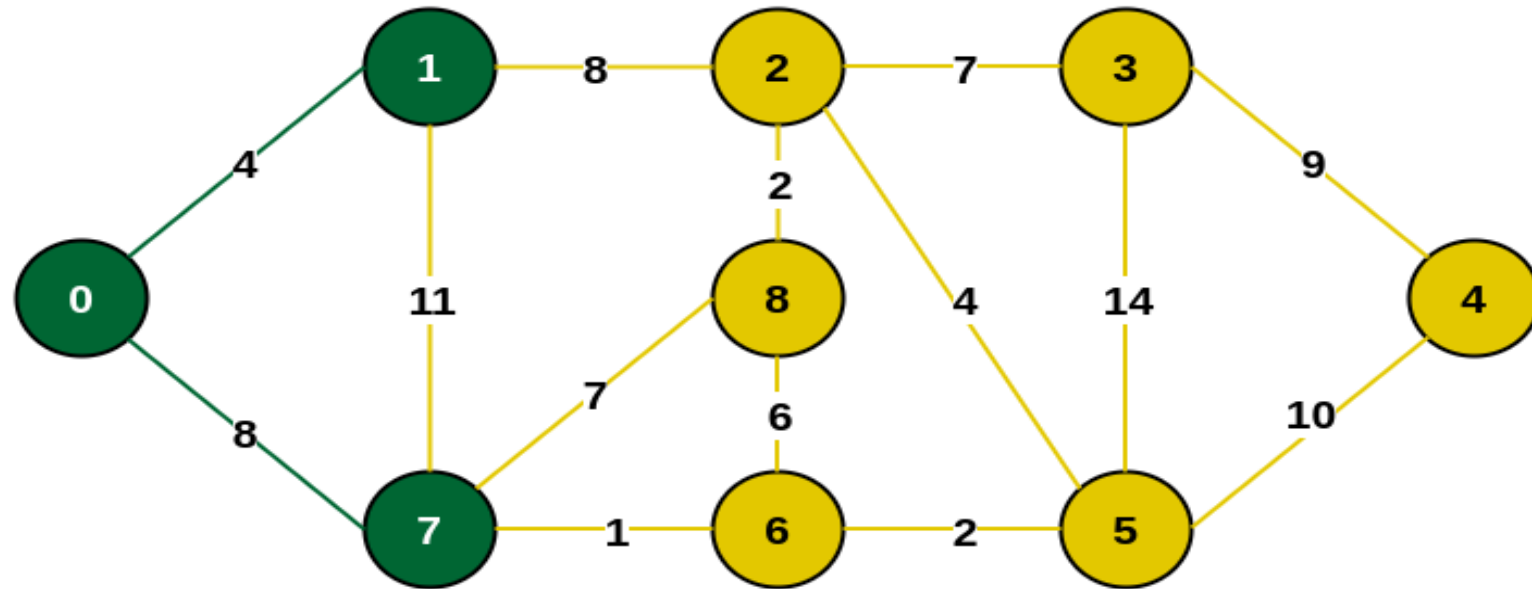
# Prim's Algorithm



Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 0-1 with weight 4

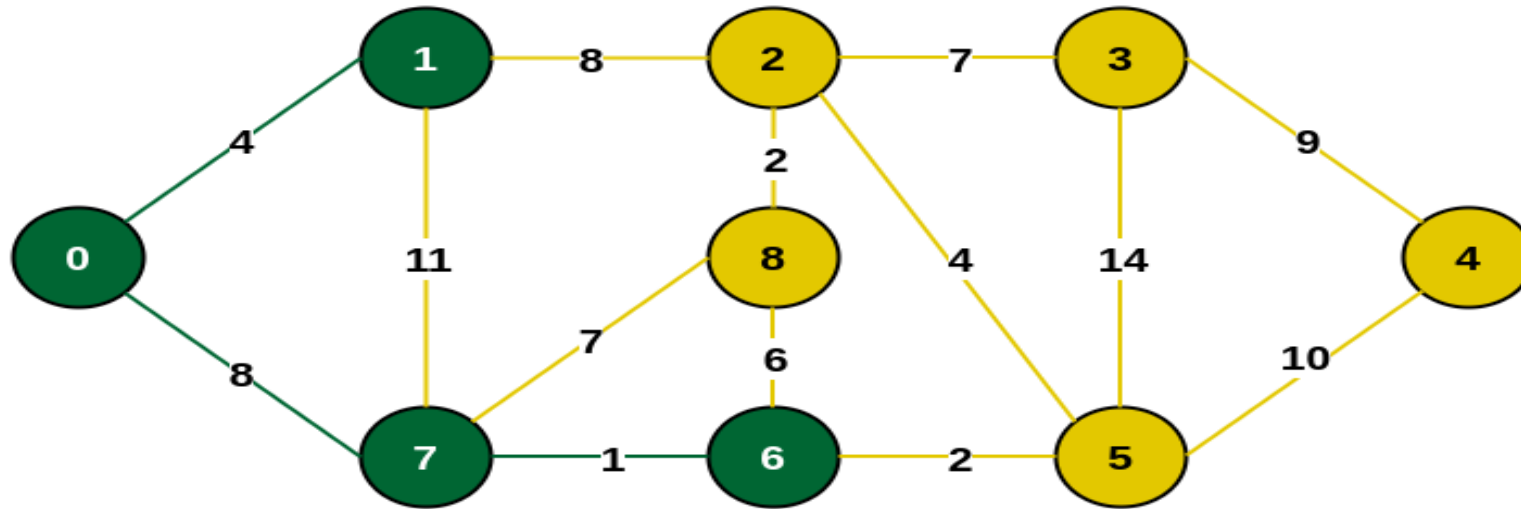


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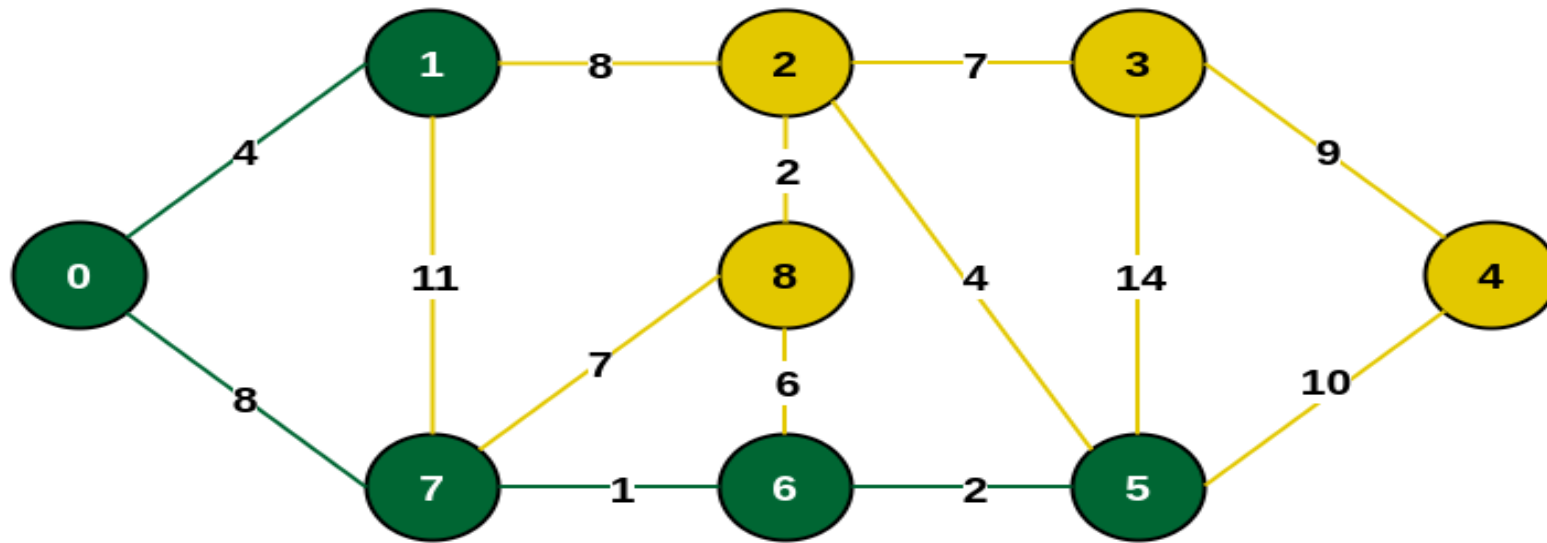
Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 0-7 with weight 8

# Prim's Algorithm



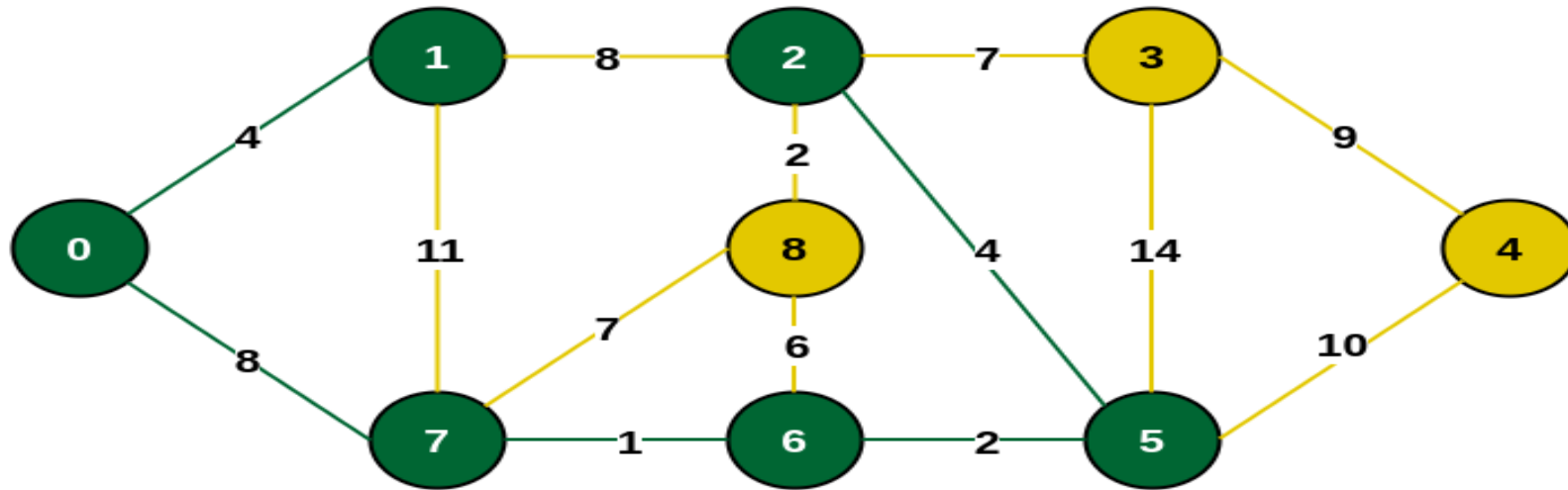
**Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 7-6 with weight 1**

# Prim's Algorithm



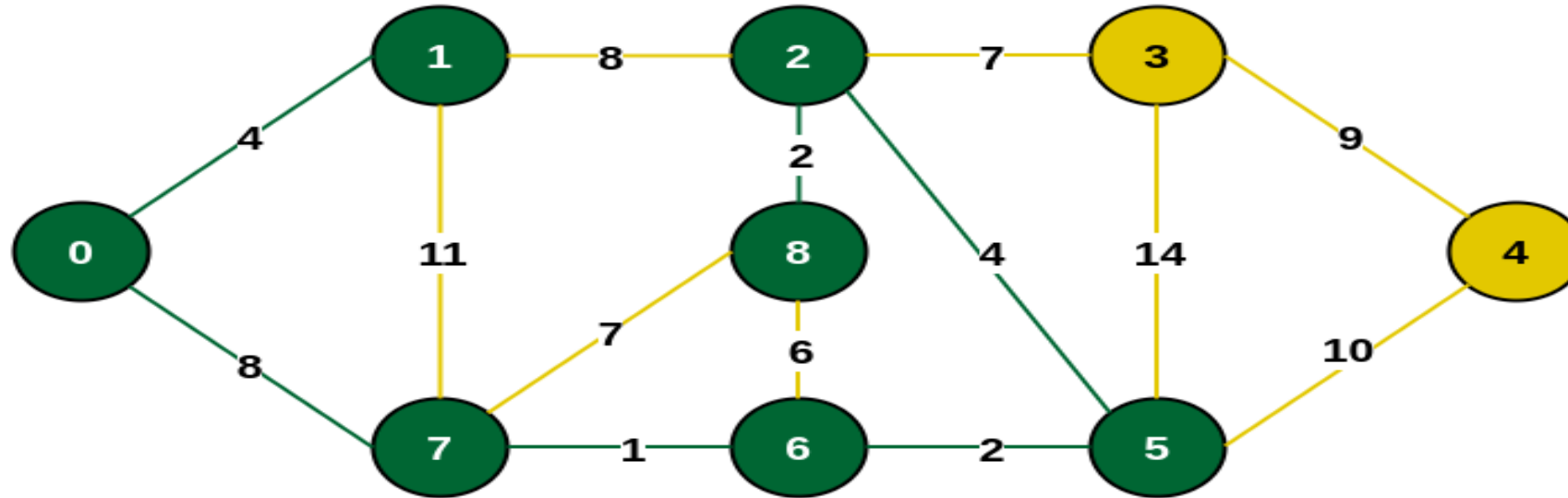
**Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 6-5 with weight 2**

# Prim's Algorithm



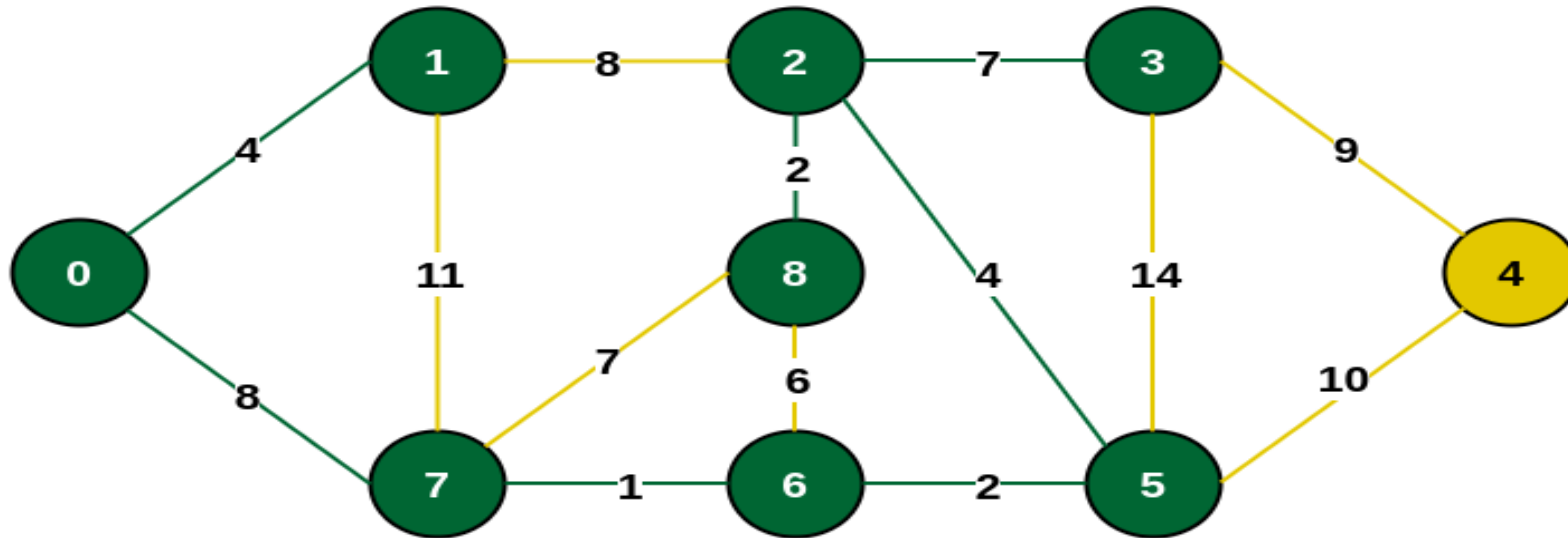
**Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 5-2 with weight 4**

# Prim's Algorithm



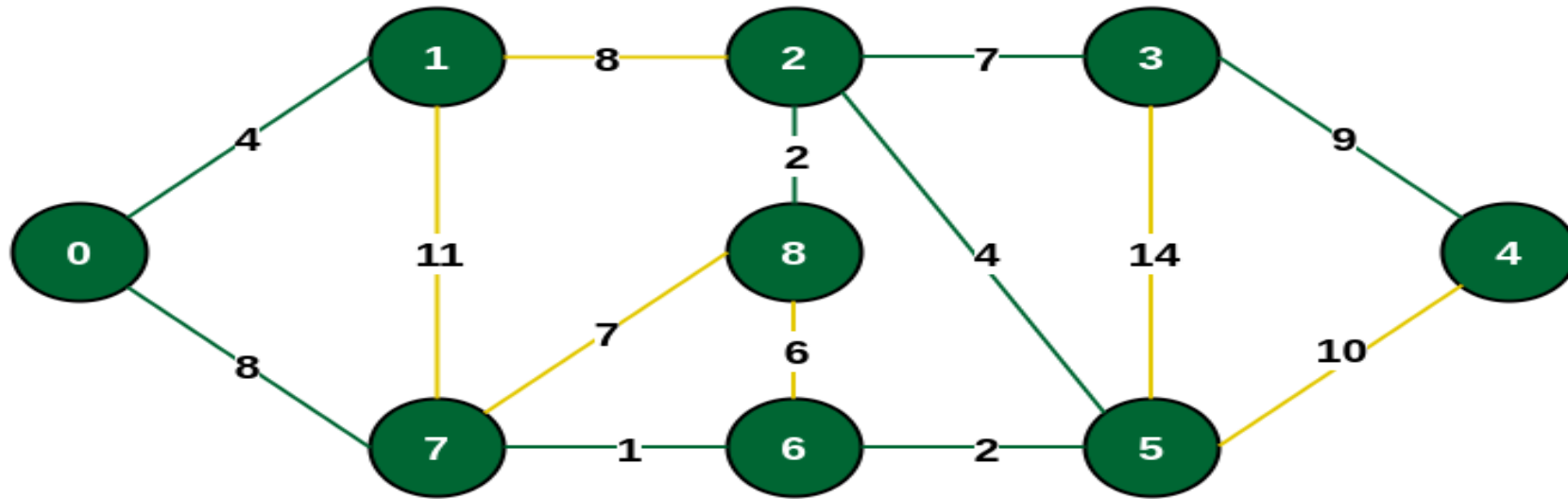
**Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 2-8 with weight 2**

# Prim's Algorithm



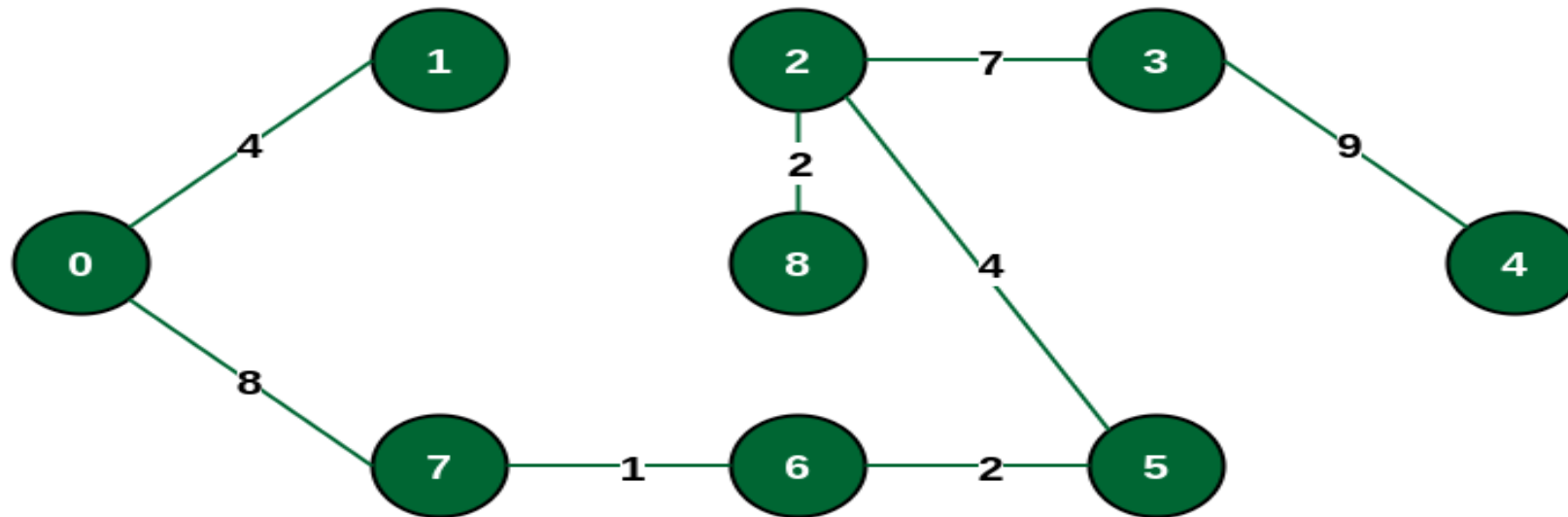
Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 2-3 with weight 7

# Prim's Algorithm



Minimum weighted edge from MST to other vertices is 3-4 with weight 9

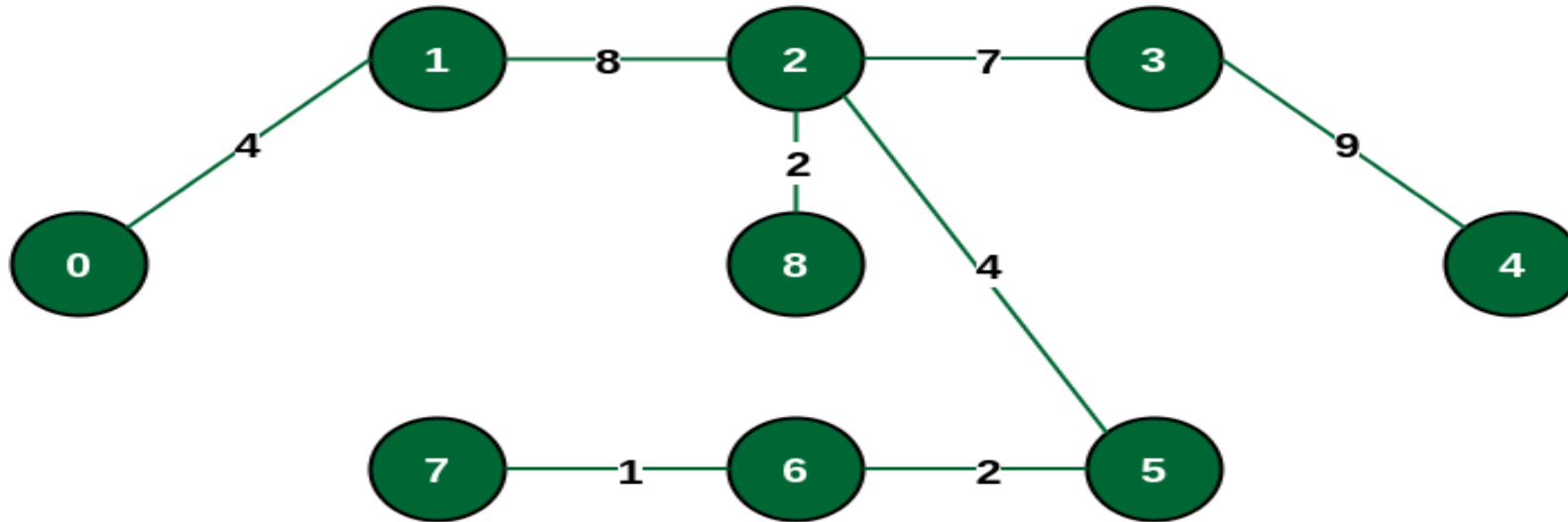
# Prim's Algorithm



**The final structure of MST**



# Prim's Algorithm



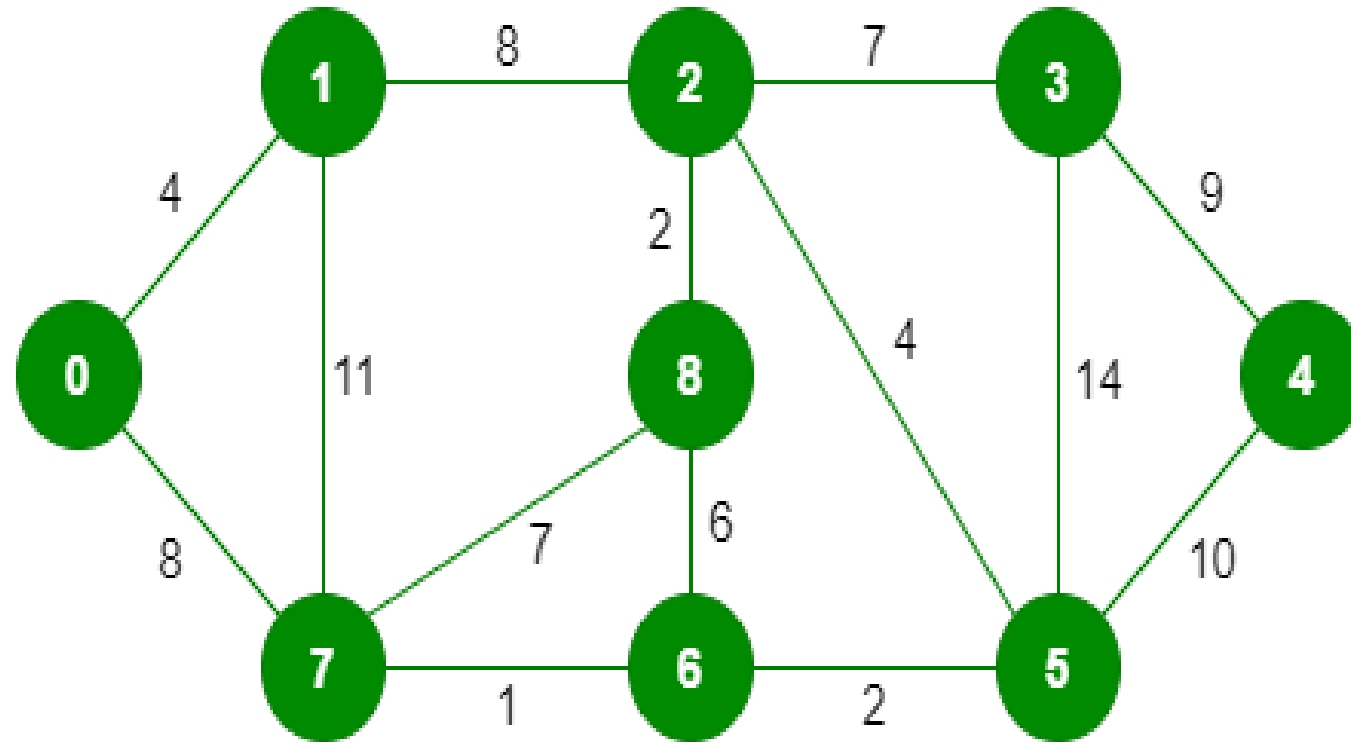
**Alternative MST structure**

Structure of the alternate MST if we had selected edge {1, 2} in the MST

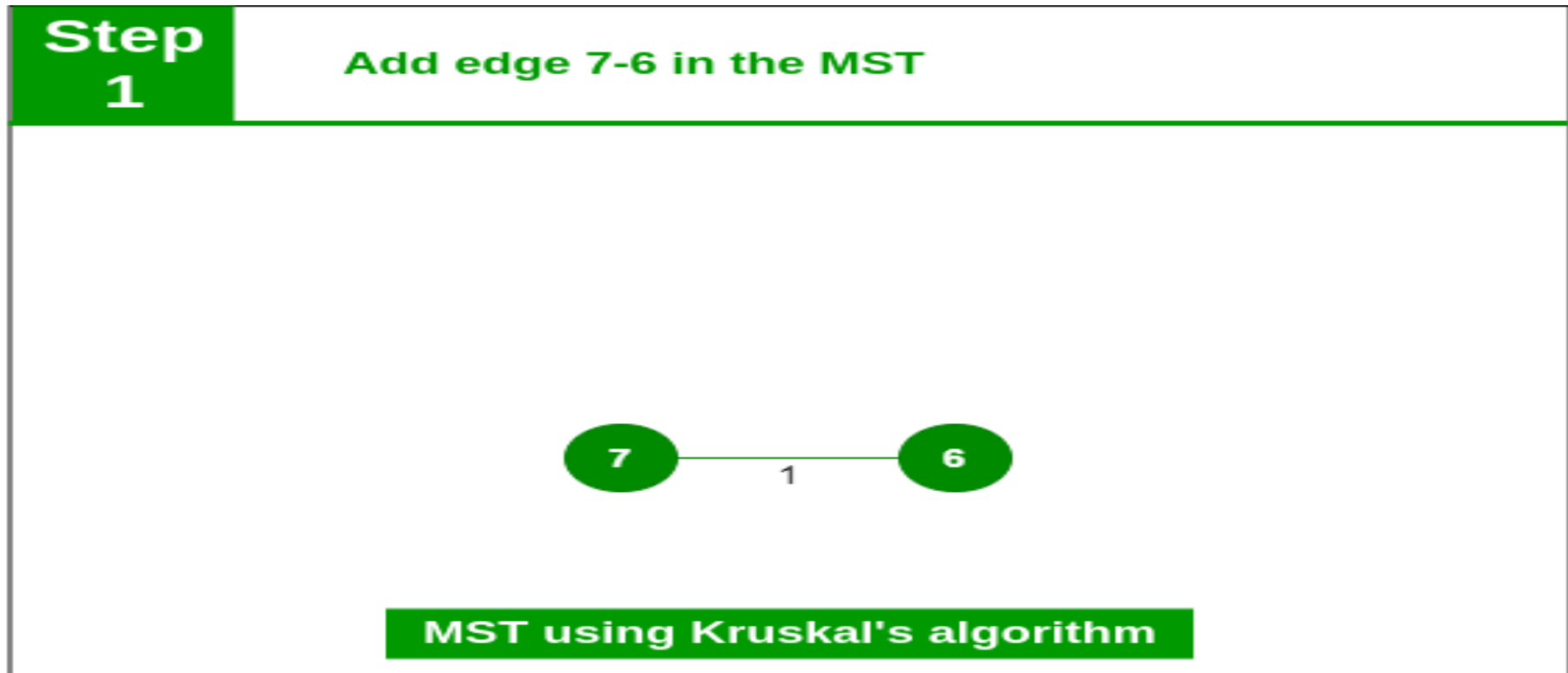
# Rules for Kruskal's Algorithm

1. Remove self loops
2. Remove parallel edges
3. Select the smallest edge
4. Select the next smallest edge
5. Avoid if cycle creates
6. Repeat step 3, 4 and 5

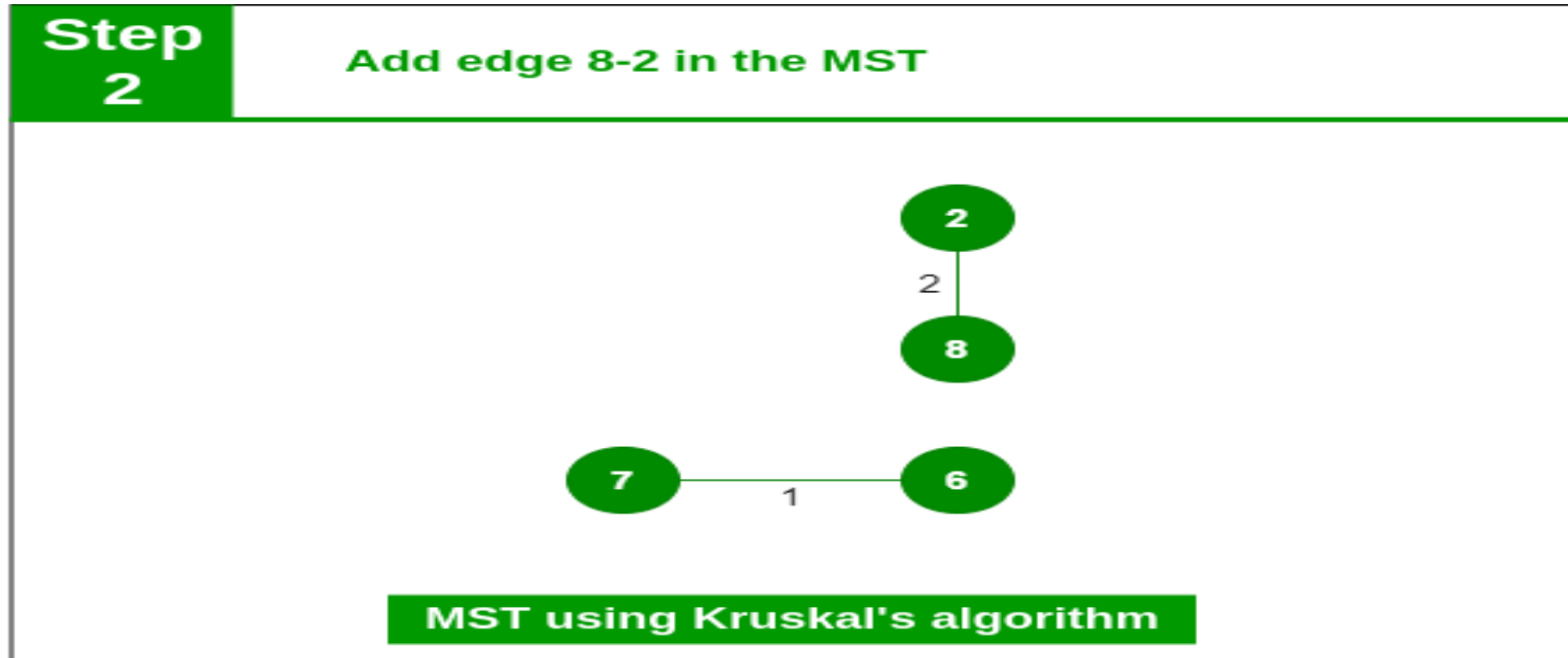
# Kruskal's Algorithm



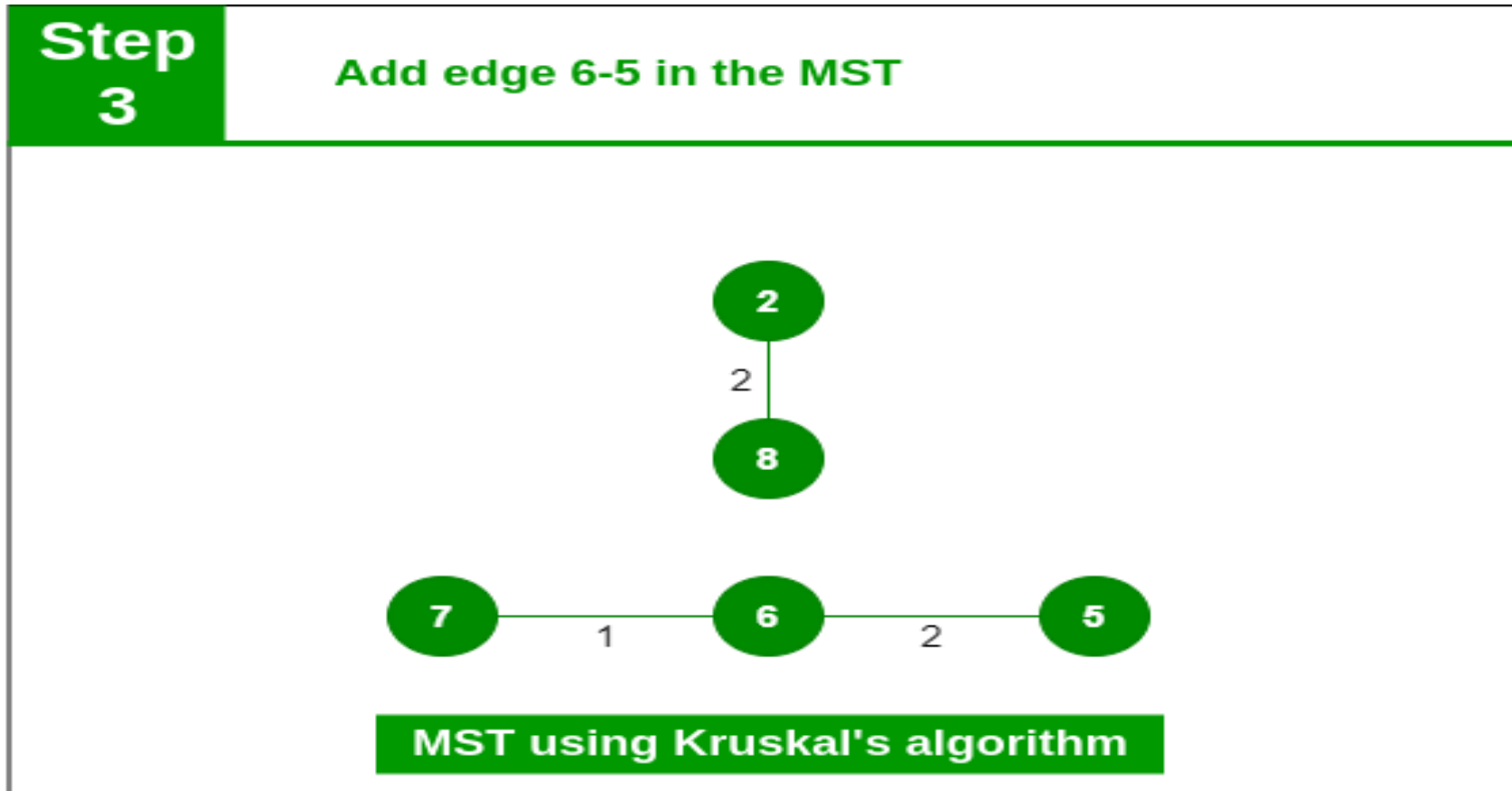
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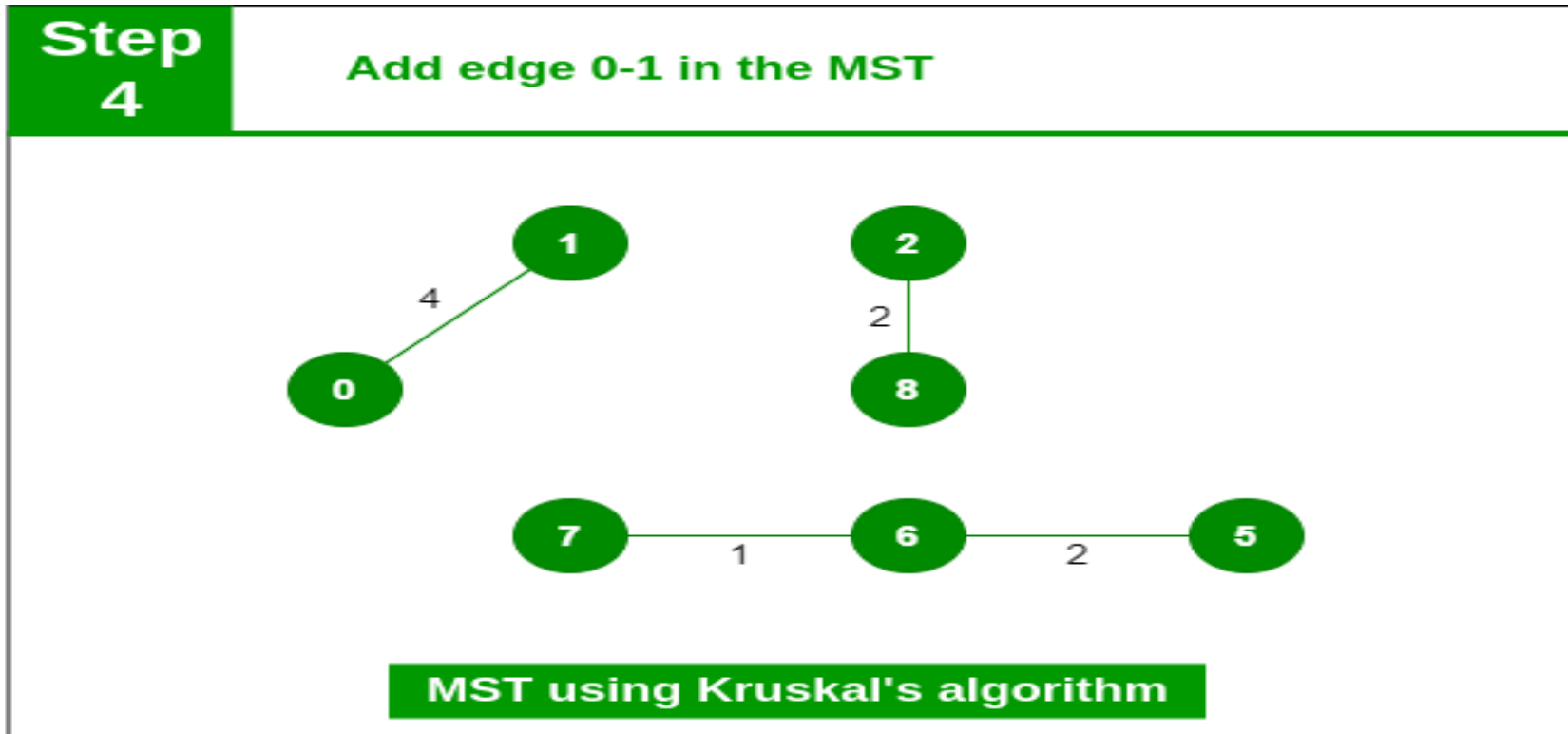
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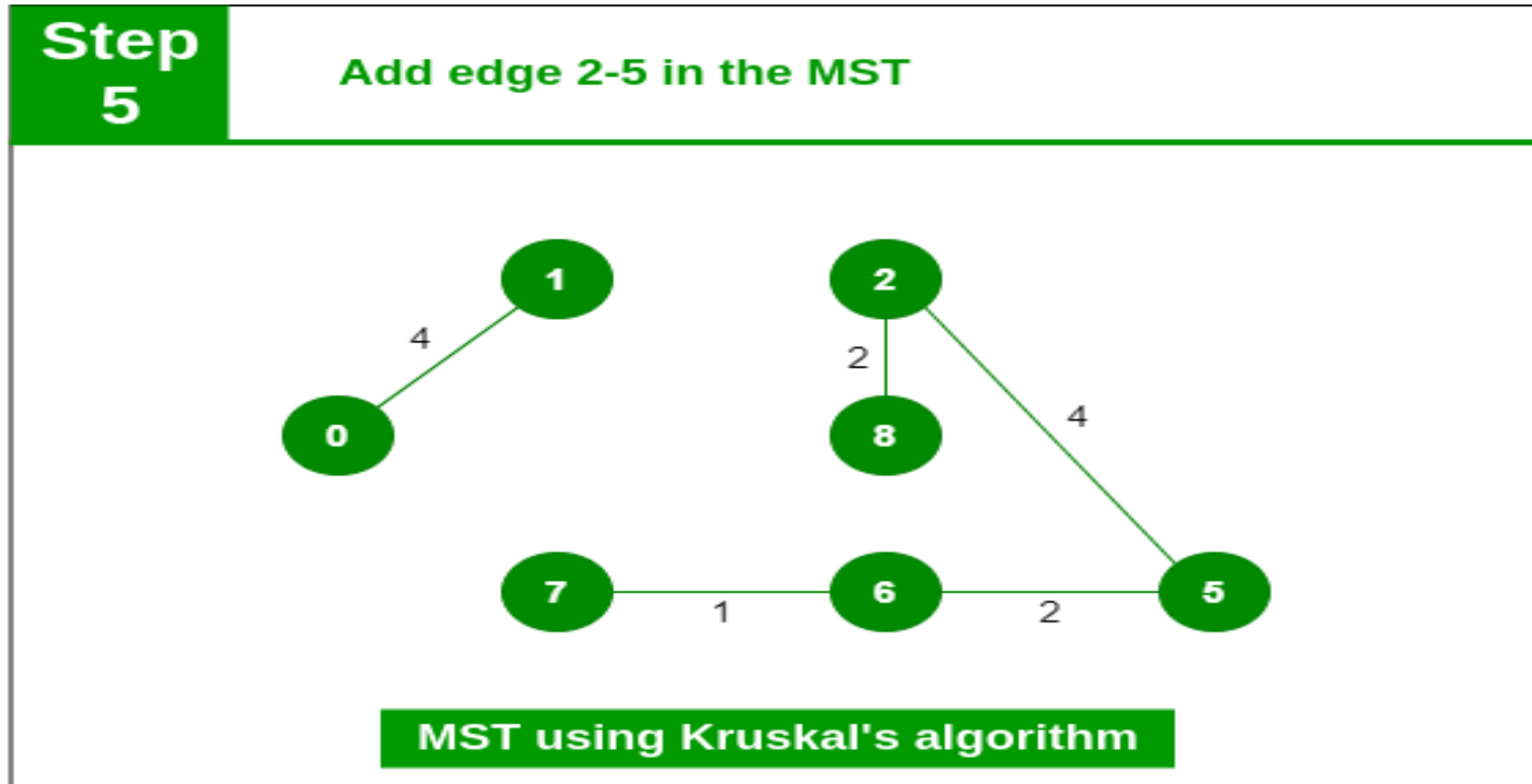
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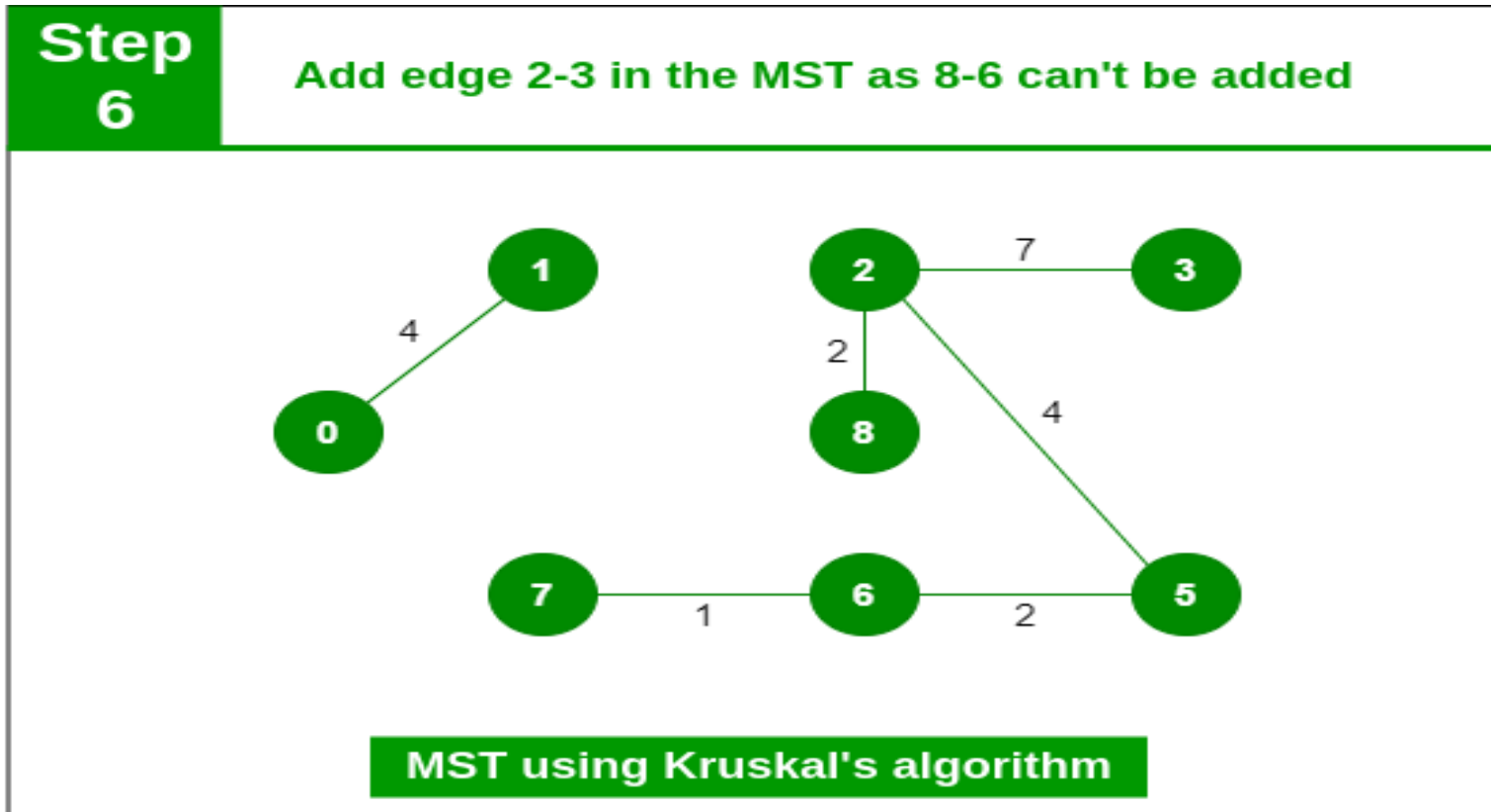


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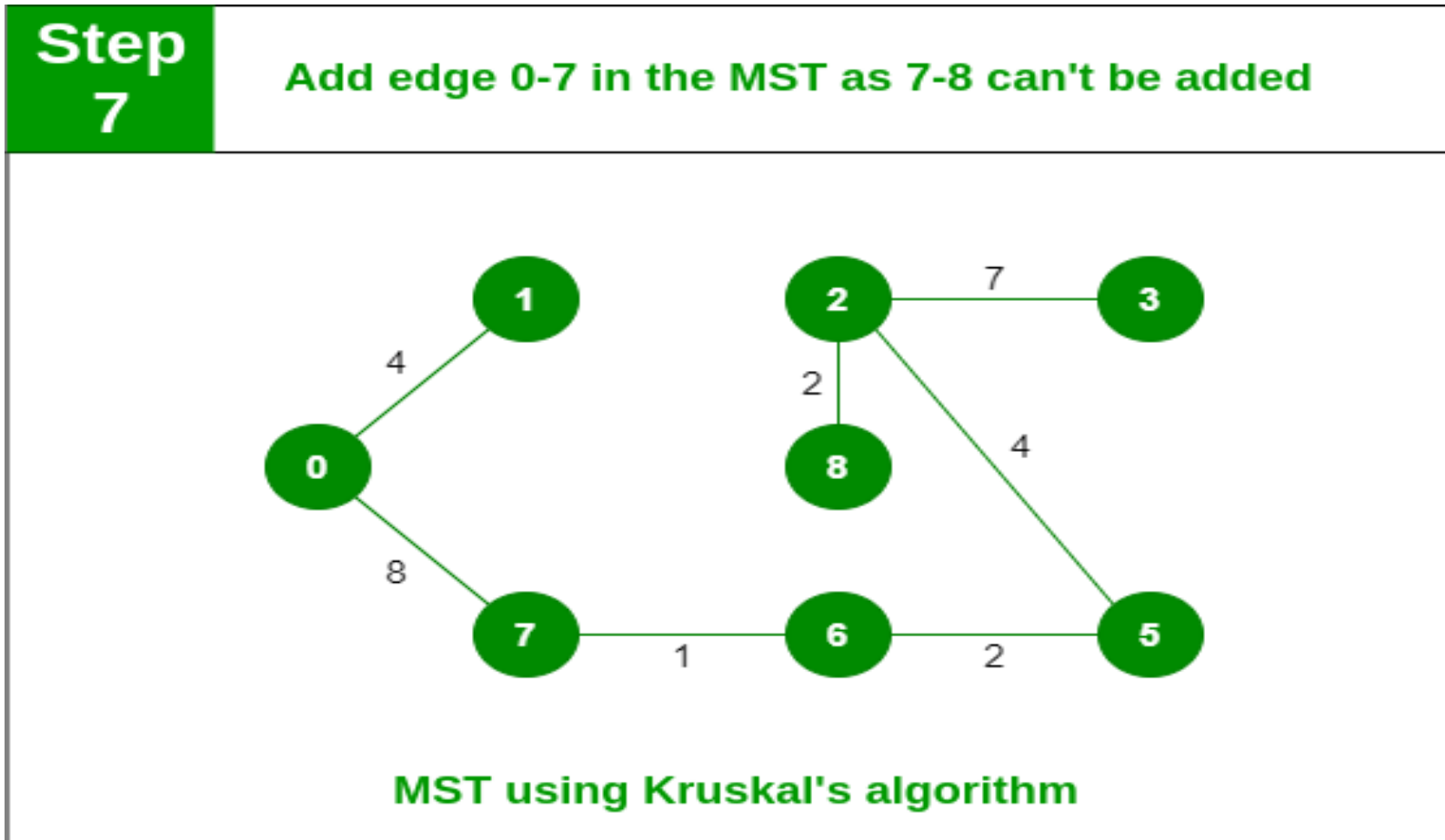




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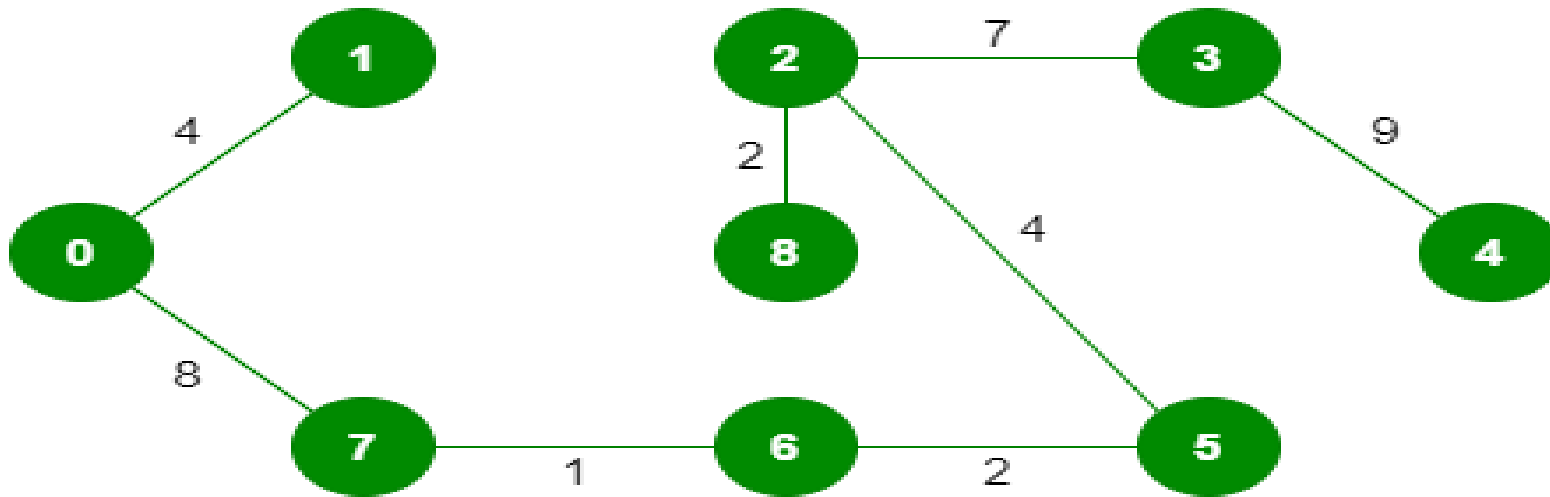
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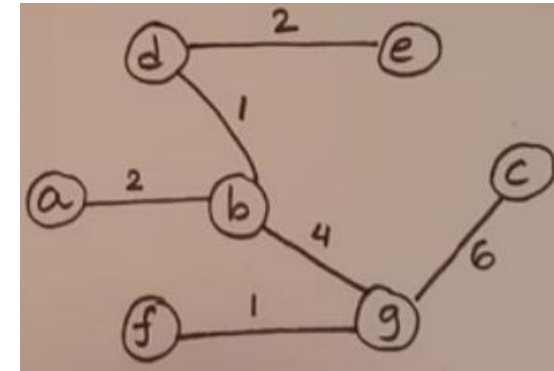
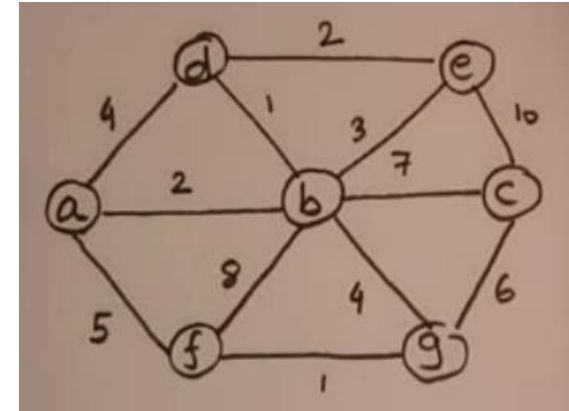
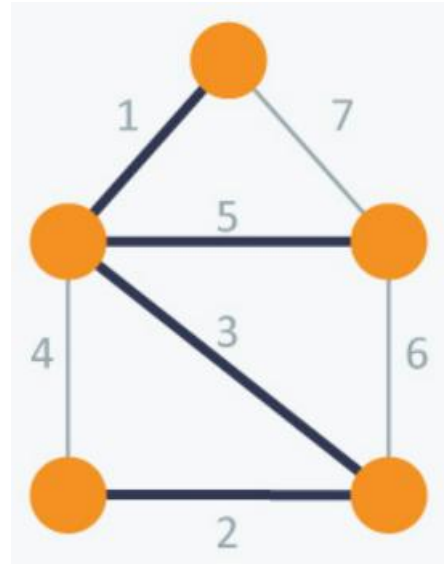
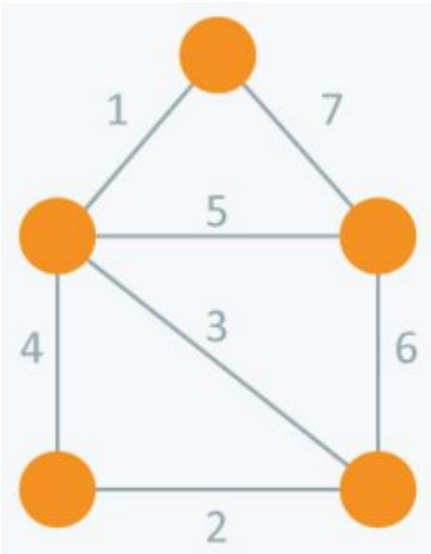
**Step  
8**

Add edge 3-4 in the MST. It completes the MST

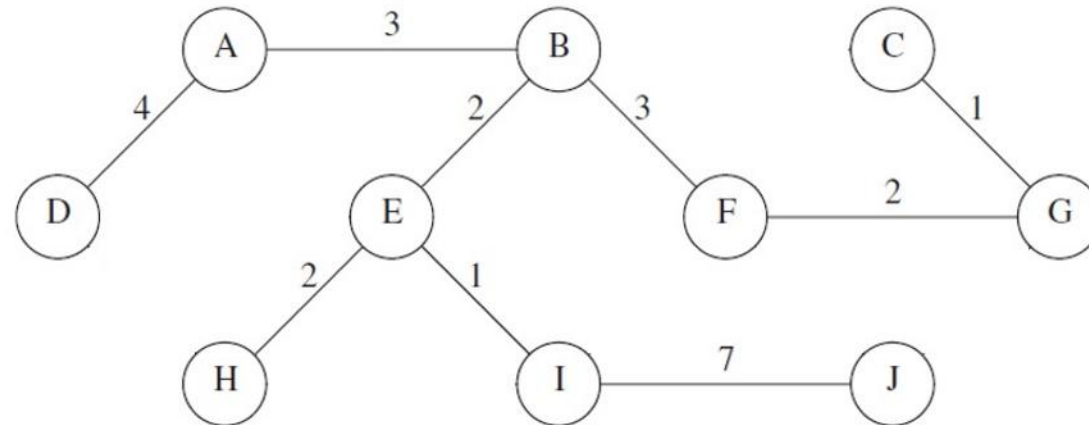
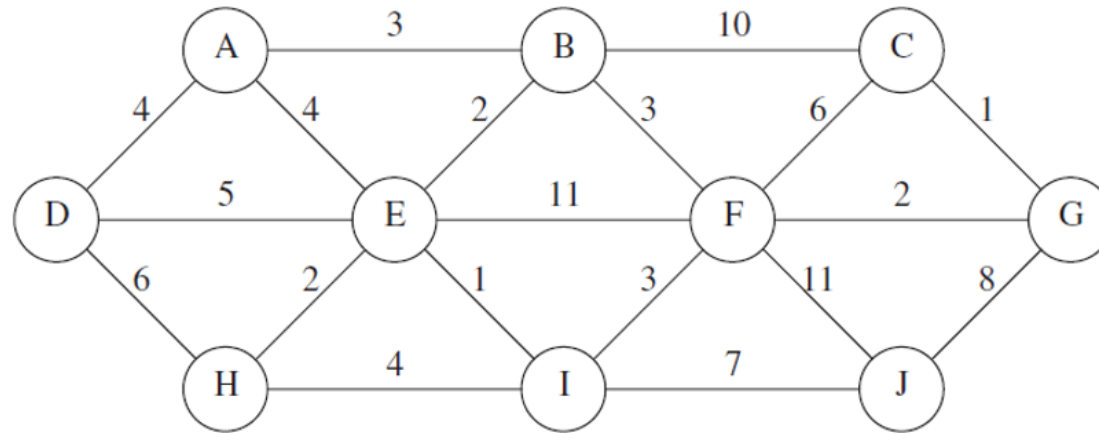


**MST using Kruskal's algorithm**

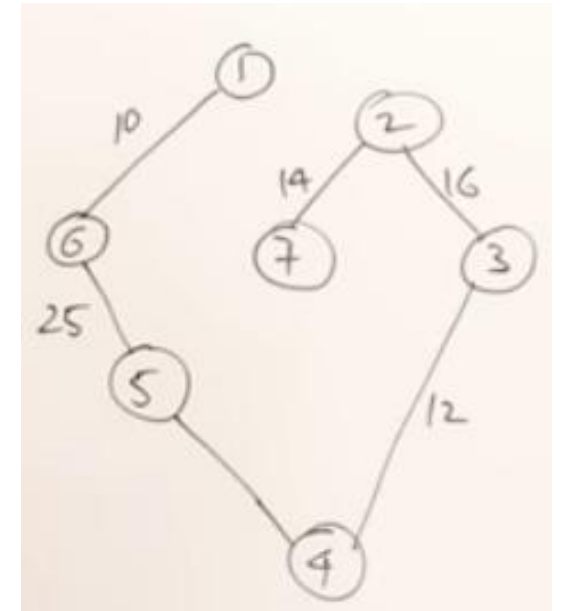
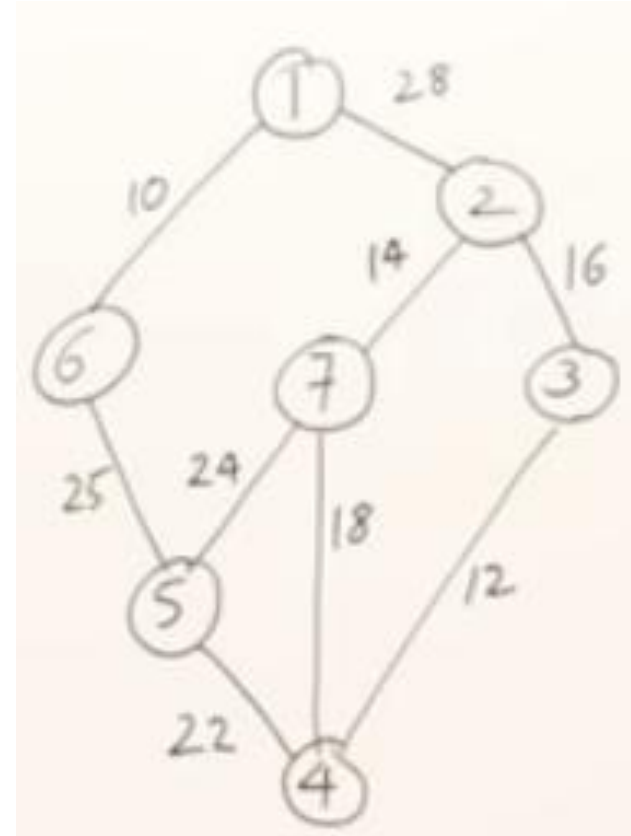
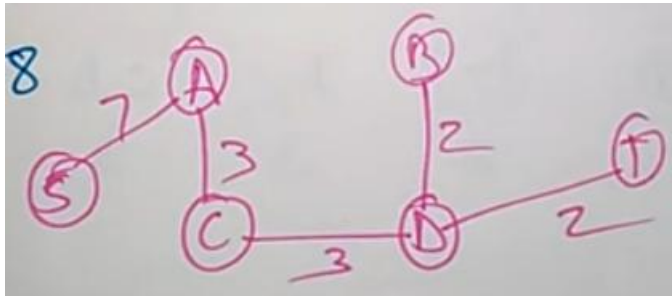
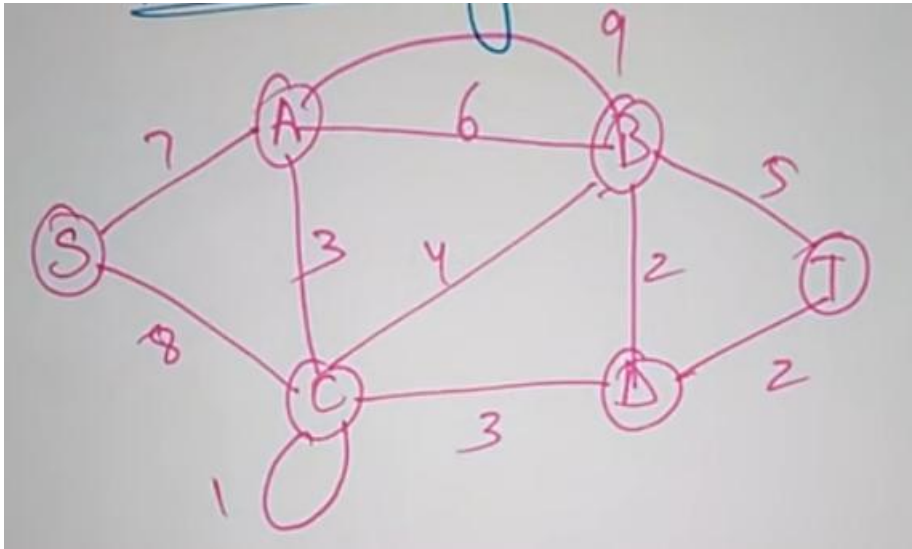
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