


CS 7800: Advanced Algorithms

Greedy Algs II

- Minimum spanning trees
- Classroom scheduling

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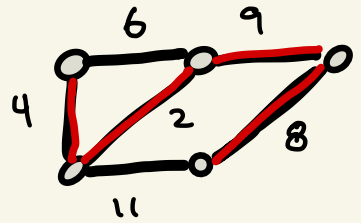
Network Design Problems

Given:

- A set of nodes V
 - A set of potential edges E
 - Costs $\{w_e\}$ for building each edge
- } $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$

build a network that is well connected and cheap

Minimum Spanning Trees



Given:

- A set of nodes V
- A set of potential edges E
- Costs $\{w_e\}$ for building each edge ≥ 0

$$G = (V, E, \{w_e\}_{e \in E})$$

build a network that is well connected and cheap

A subgraph $T = (V, E')$

T is connected

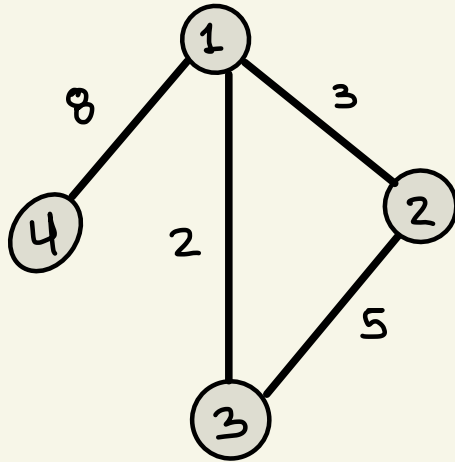
T is a tree

minimize $\sum_{e \in T} w_e$

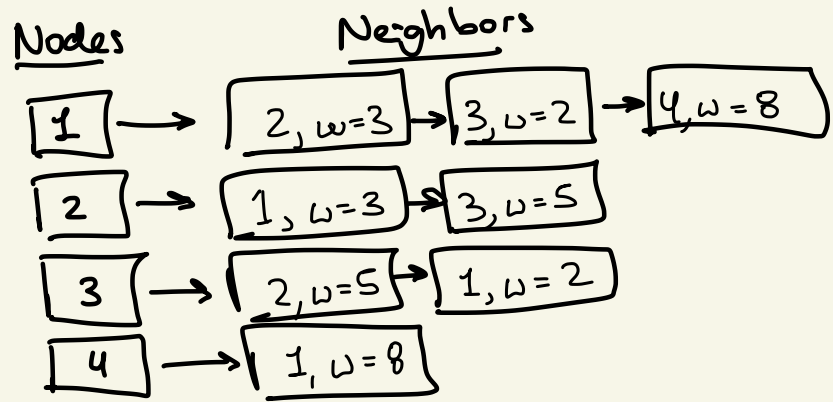


Brief Aside: Adjacency List Representation

Graph $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$
 $|V| = n$ $|E| = m$



Adjacency List of G



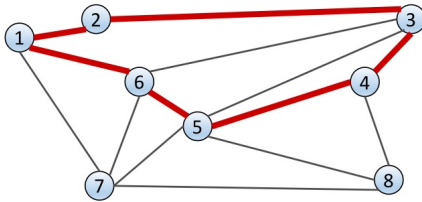
Size: $O(n+m)$

Time to List Neighbors of i : $O(\deg(i)+1)$

Time to List All Edges: $O(n+m)$

Cycles and Cuts

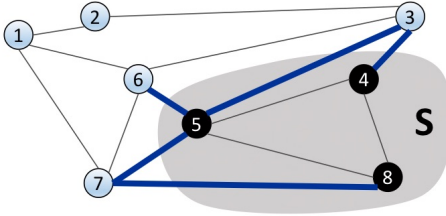
- **Cycle:** a set of edges $(v_1, v_2), (v_2, v_3), \dots, (v_k, v_1)$



1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1

Cycle $C = (1,2), (2,3), (3,4), (4,5), (5,6), (6,1)$

- **Cut:** a partition of the nodes into S, \bar{S}



Cut $S = \{4, 5, 8\}$

Cutset $= \{(5,6), (5,7), (3,4), (3,5), (7,8)\}$

$\text{Cutset}(S) = \{e=(i,j) : i \in S, j \in \bar{S}\}$

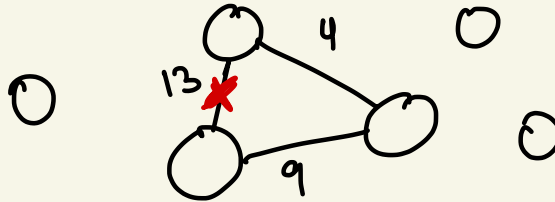
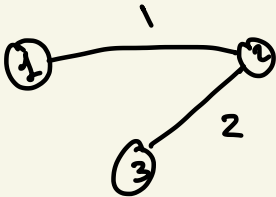
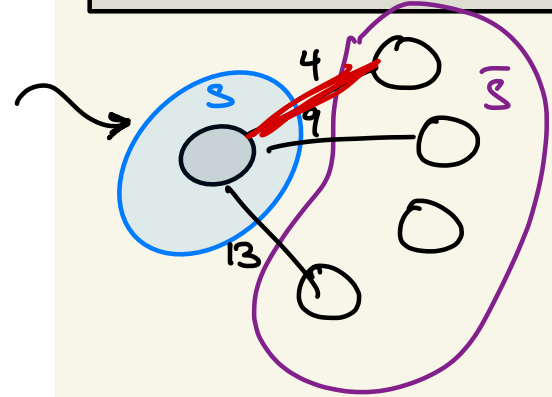
Fact: Any cycle intersects any cut in an even number of edges.

Cycle and Cut Property of MST

Assumption:

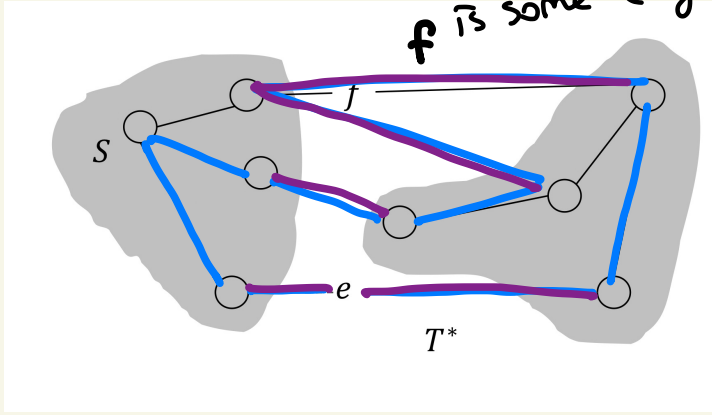
All w_e are distinct

- **Cut Property:** Let S be a cut. Let e be the minimum weight edge cut by S . Then the MST T^* contains e
 - We call such an e a **safe edge**
- **Cycle Property:** Let C be a cycle. Let f be the maximum weight edge in C . Then the MST T^* does not contain f .
 - We call such an f a **useless edge**



Proof of Cut Property

f is some edge on the cycle



- **Cut Property:** Let S be a cut. Let e be the minimum weight edge cut by S . Then the MST T^* contains e
 - We call such an e a **safe edge**

- let T^* be the MST
- let S, \bar{S} be a cut
- let e be the min wt edge in the cutset of S
- assume $e \notin T^*$ (for contradiction)
- adding e to T^* would create a cycle C containing e
- C intersects the cut in ≥ 2 places, let $f \neq e$ be one of them $w_f > w_e$
- consider $T' = T^* + \{e\} - \{f\}$
 - ① $w(T') < w(T^*)$
 - ② T' is a spanning tree

The "Only MST Algorithm"

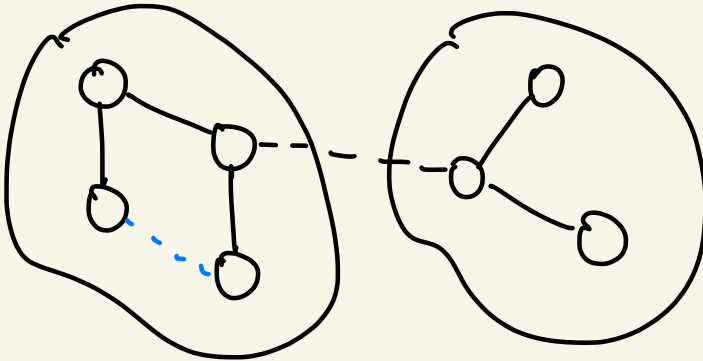
Let $T = (V, \emptyset)$

While T is not connected:
add one or more ^{new} safe edges

Return T

Always terminates and
outputs an MST

no matter how we
choose safe edges



Borůvka's Algorithm

Input: $G = (V, E, \{w_e\})$

Let $T = (V, \emptyset)$

$\text{count} \leftarrow \text{CountLabel}(T)$

While $\text{count} > 1$

 Add Safe Edges (G, T, count)

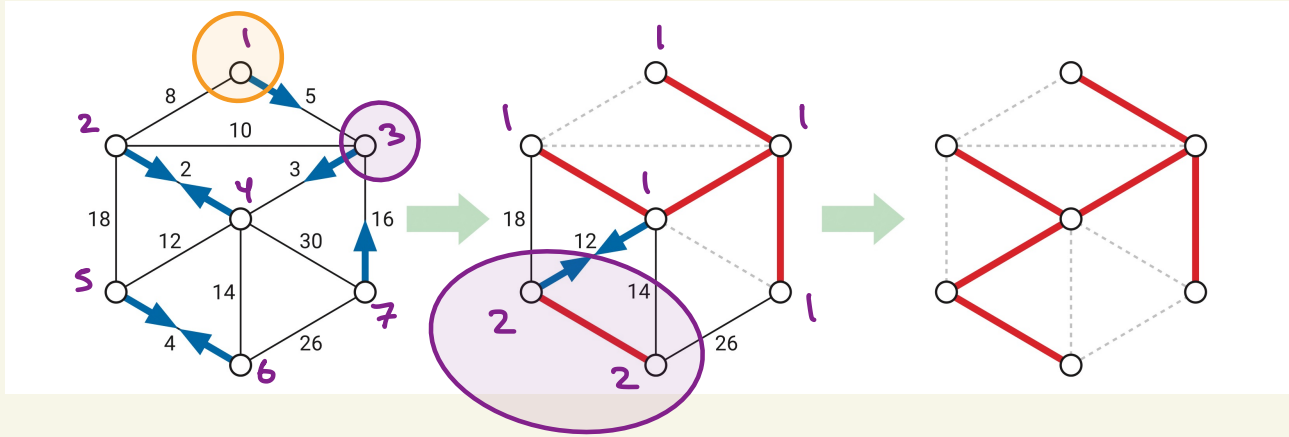
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Return T

Count connected components
Label nodes by component

Find the min-wt edges
leaving each connected component

Borůvka's Algorithm



Borůvka's Algorithm Correctness

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Follows from the general template

Borůvka's Algorithm Running Time

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How many iterations?

$$O(\log n)$$

How much time per iteration?

$$O(m)$$

Total Time: $O(m \log n)$

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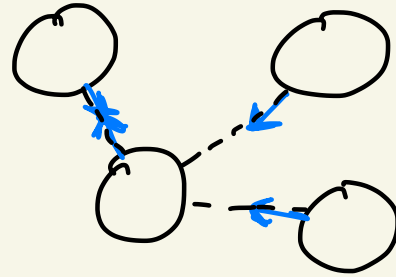
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How many iterations?



- if I have count components I will add $\geq \frac{\text{count}}{2}$ edges
- every edge reduces count by 1
- next iteration there are at most $\frac{\text{count}}{2}$ components $\Rightarrow O(\log n)$

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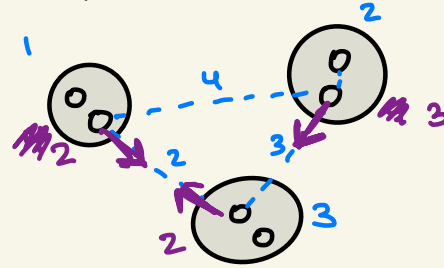
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Return T

How much time per iteration?

array for component labels

1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	2	3	3	1

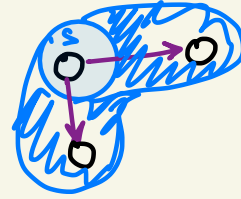


loop over edges

maintain cheapest edge so far

time : $O(n+m)$

Other MST Algorithms

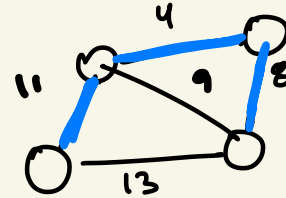


- Prim:

- Maintain a component S
- Initially $S = \{v_i\}$
- Add the safe edge for S until $S = V$

- Kruskal:

- Sort edges
- For each edge add it to T if it merges two components into one.



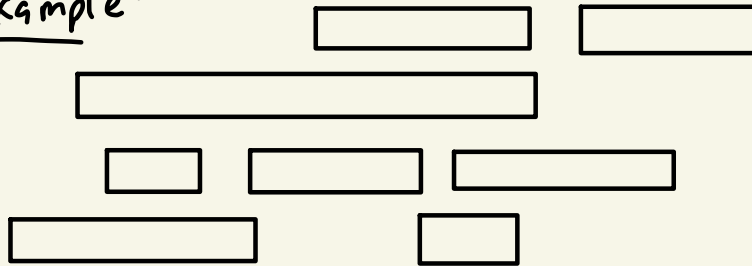
One More Greedy Proof Technique

Input: n "classes" $[s_i, f_i]$

Output: A "room" for each class so that

- ① No room has two overlapping classes
- ② The total number of rooms is as small as possible

Example:



4 classrooms

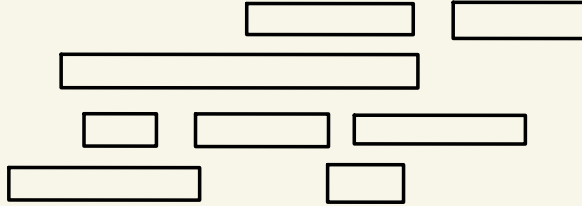
A Greedy Algorithm

Sort intervals by start

$$s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n$$

For $i=1, \dots, n$:

└ assign class i to the
lowest numbered empty room



Proof of Correctness: Duality

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x x+1 heads