

CSC263 Week 10

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Announcement

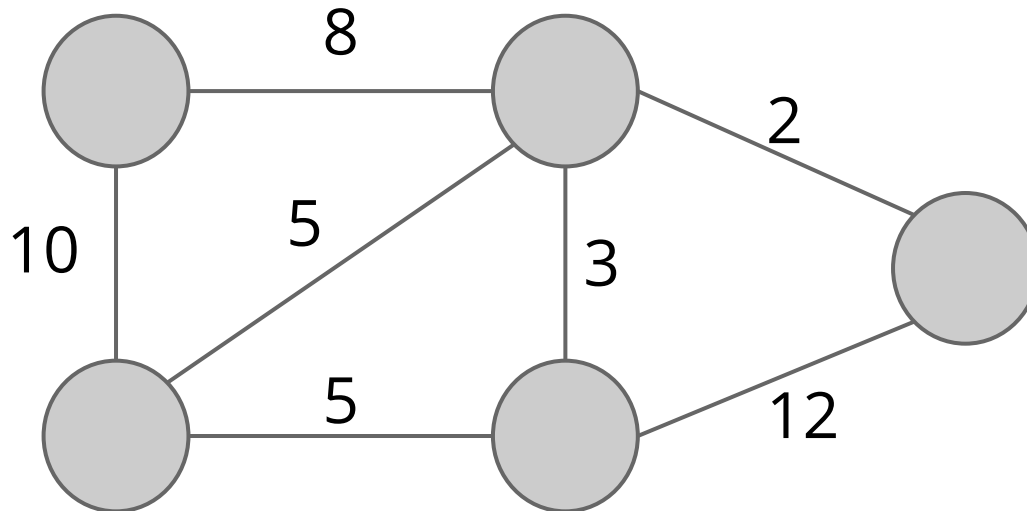
PS8 out soon, due next Tuesday

Minimum Spanning Tree

The Graph of interest today

A **connected undirected** **weighted** graph

$G = (V, E)$ with weights **$w(e)$** for each $e \in E$



It has the **smallest** total weight

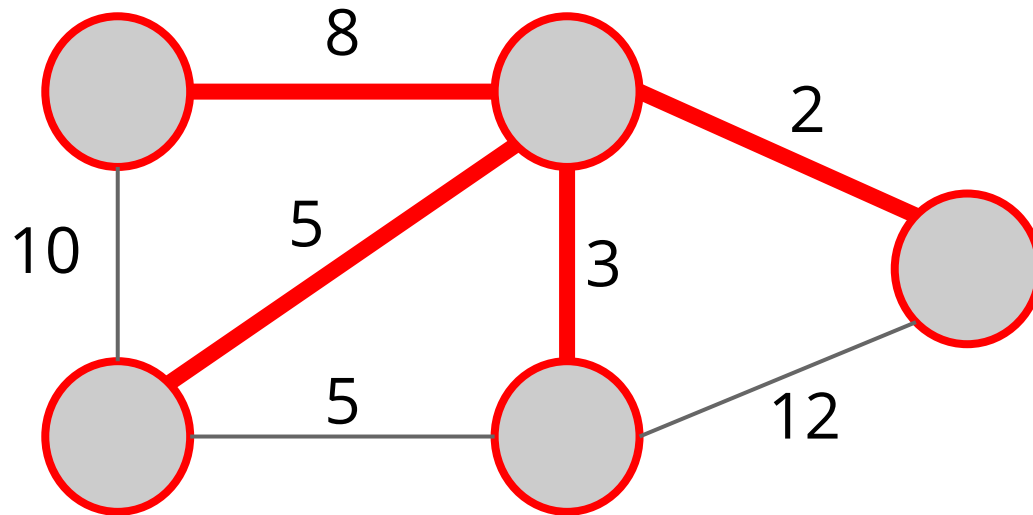
It covers **all** vertices in G

Minimum Spanning Tree

of graph G

It's a **connected**,
acyclic subgraph

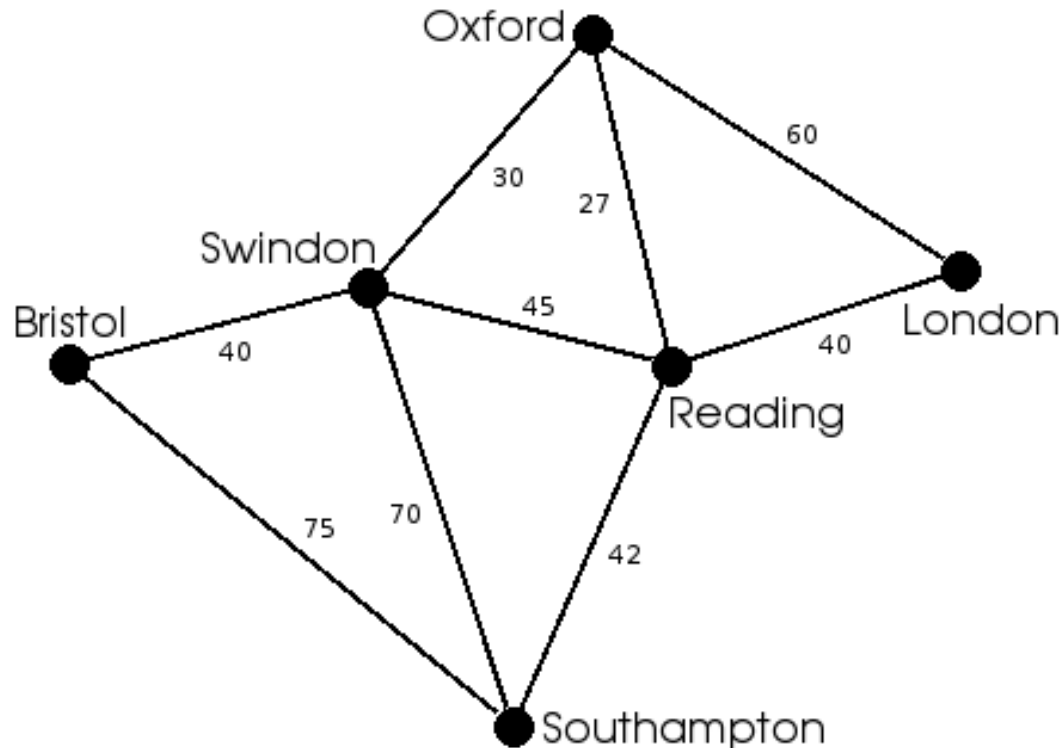
A Minimum Spanning Tree



May NOT be unique

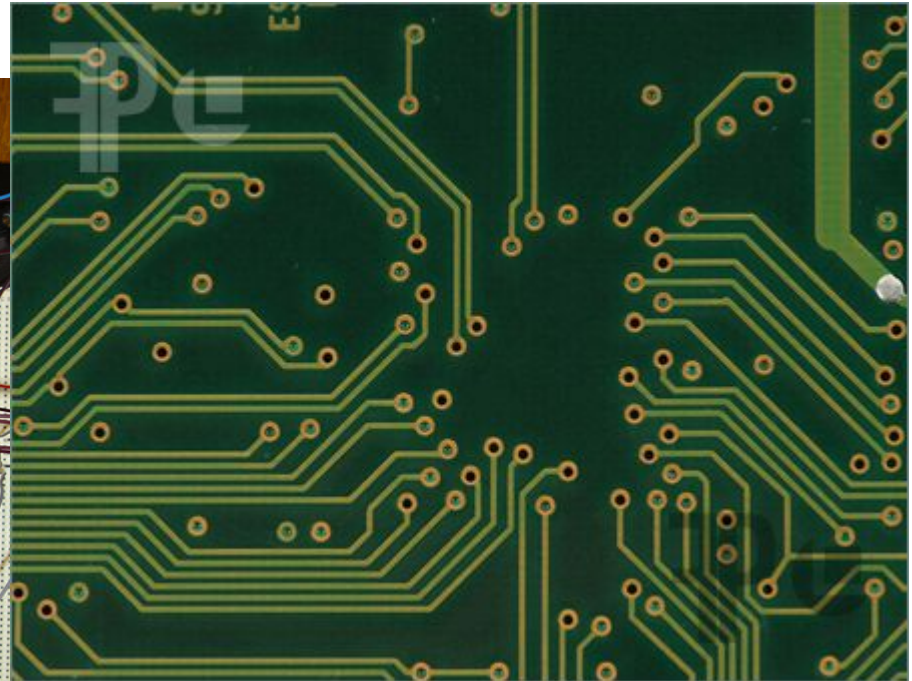
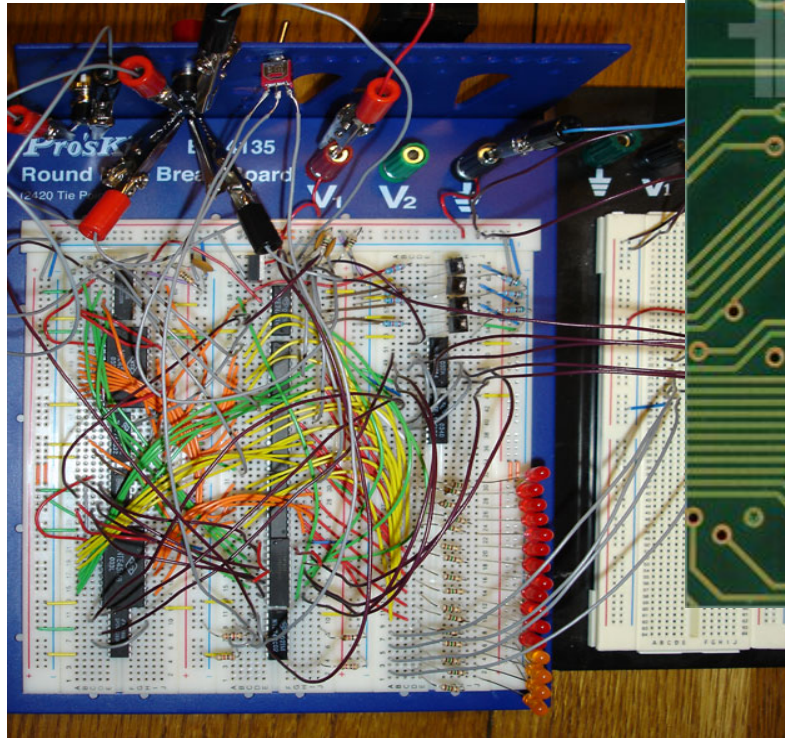
Applications of MST

Build a road network that connects all towns and with the minimum cost.



Applications of MST

Connect all components with the least amount of wiring.



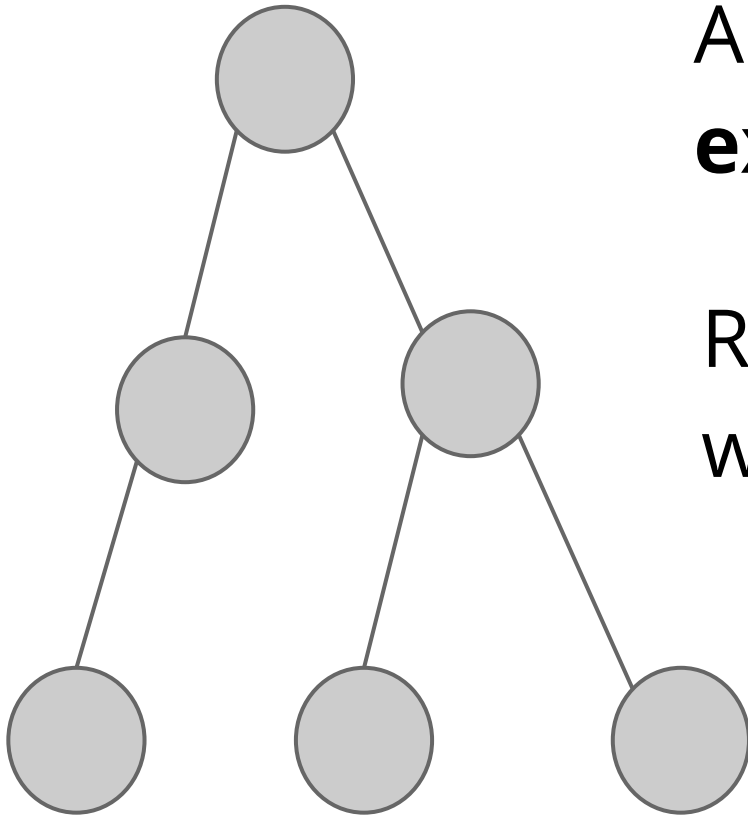
Other applications

- Cluster analysis
- Approximation algorithms for the “travelling salesman problem”
- ...

In order to understand
minimum spanning tree
we need to first understand
tree

Tree:

undirected connected acyclic graph



A tree **T** with **n** vertices has **exactly** **n-1** edges.

Removing one edge from T will **disconnect the tree**.

Adding one edge to T will **create a cycle**.

The MST of a connected graph $G = (V, E)$ has $|V|$ vertices.



because “spanning”

The MST of a connected graph $G = (V, E)$ has $|V| - 1$ edges.

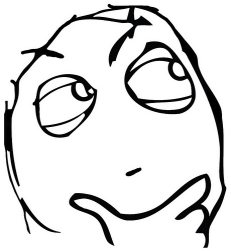


because “tree”

**Now we are ready to talk about
algorithms**

Idea #1

Start with $T = G.E$, then keep deleting edges until an MST remains.



**Which sounds more efficient
in terms of worst-case runtime?**

Idea #2

Start with **empty** T , then keep adding edges until an MST is built.

Hint

A undirected simple graph G with **n** vertices can have at most _____ edges.

$$\binom{n}{2} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \in \mathcal{O}(n^2)$$

Note: Here T is an edge set

Idea #1

Start with $T = G.E$, then keep deleting edges until an MST remains.

In worst-case, need to delete $O(|V|^2)$ edges *$(n \text{ choose } 2) - (n-1)$*

Idea #2

In worst-case, need to add $O(|V|)$ edges

Start with **empty** T , then keep adding edges until an MST is built.

This is more efficient!

So, let's explore more of **Idea #2**,
i.e.,
building an MST by **adding** edges
one by one
i.e.,
we "**grow**" a tree



The generic growing algorithm

GENERIC-MST($G=(V, E, w)$):

$T \leftarrow \emptyset$

while T is not a spanning tree:

 find a “safe” edge e

$T \leftarrow T \cup \{e\}$

return T


$$|T| < |V| - 1$$

What is a “safe” edge?

“Safe” means it keeps the **hope** of T growing into an MST.

“Safe” edge **e** for T

Assuming **before** adding e , $T \subseteq \text{some MST}$,
edge **e** is safe if **after** adding **e**, still $T \subseteq \text{some MST}$

If we make sure T is always a subset of some MST while we grow it, then eventually T will become an MST!

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Intuition

If we make sure the pieces we put together is always a subset of the real picture while we grow it, then eventually it will become the real picture!

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How to find a “safe” edge?

Two major algorithms we'll learn

→ Kruskal's algorithm



→ Prim's algorithm

**They are both based on
one theorem...**



Note: Here T includes both vertices and edges

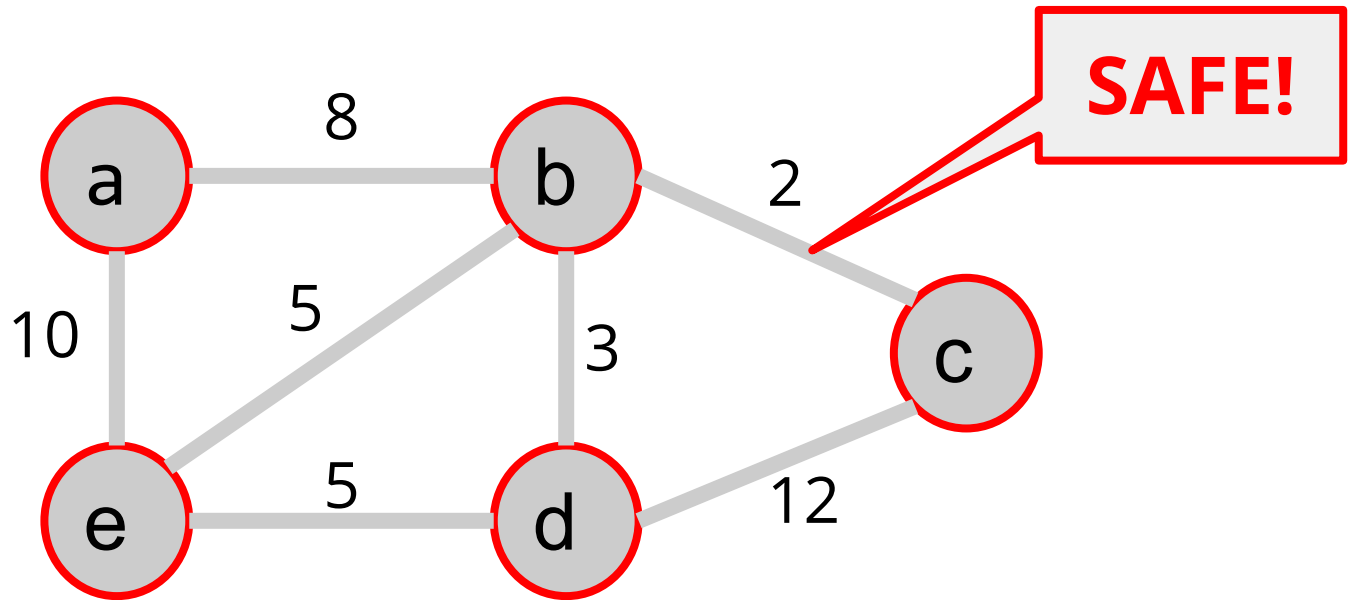
The Theorem

Let G be a connected undirected weighted graph, and T be a **subgraph** of G which is a **subset** of some MST of G .

Let edge e be the **minimum** weighted edge among all edges that **cross** different **connected components** of T .

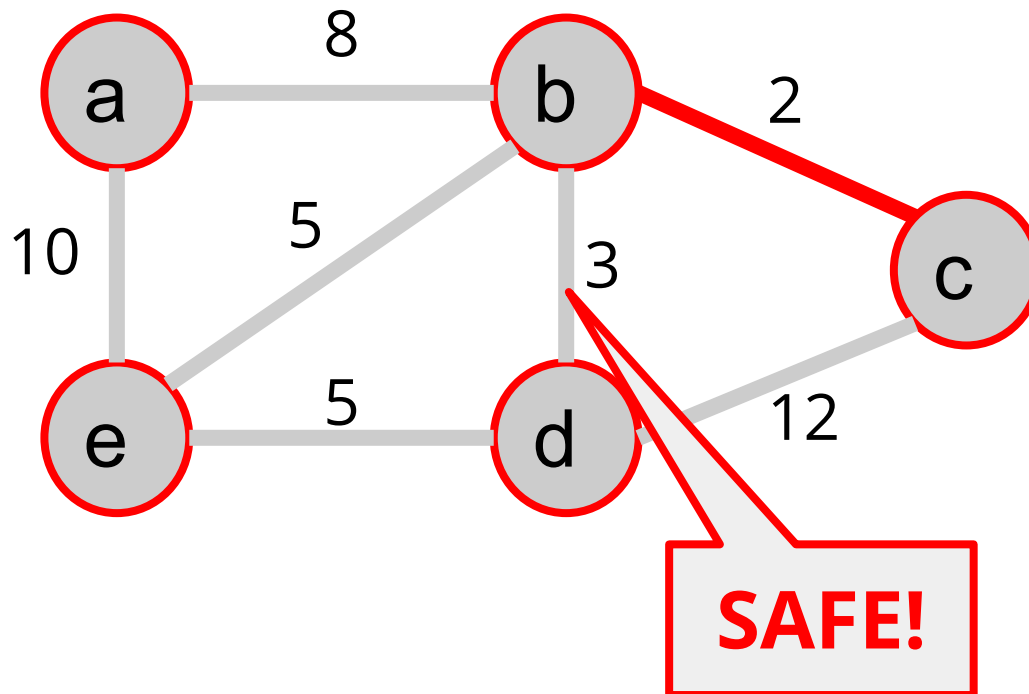
Then e is **safe** for T .

Initially, **T** (red) is a subgraph with no edge,
each vertex is a connected component,
all edges are **crossing** components,
and the minimum weighted one is ...

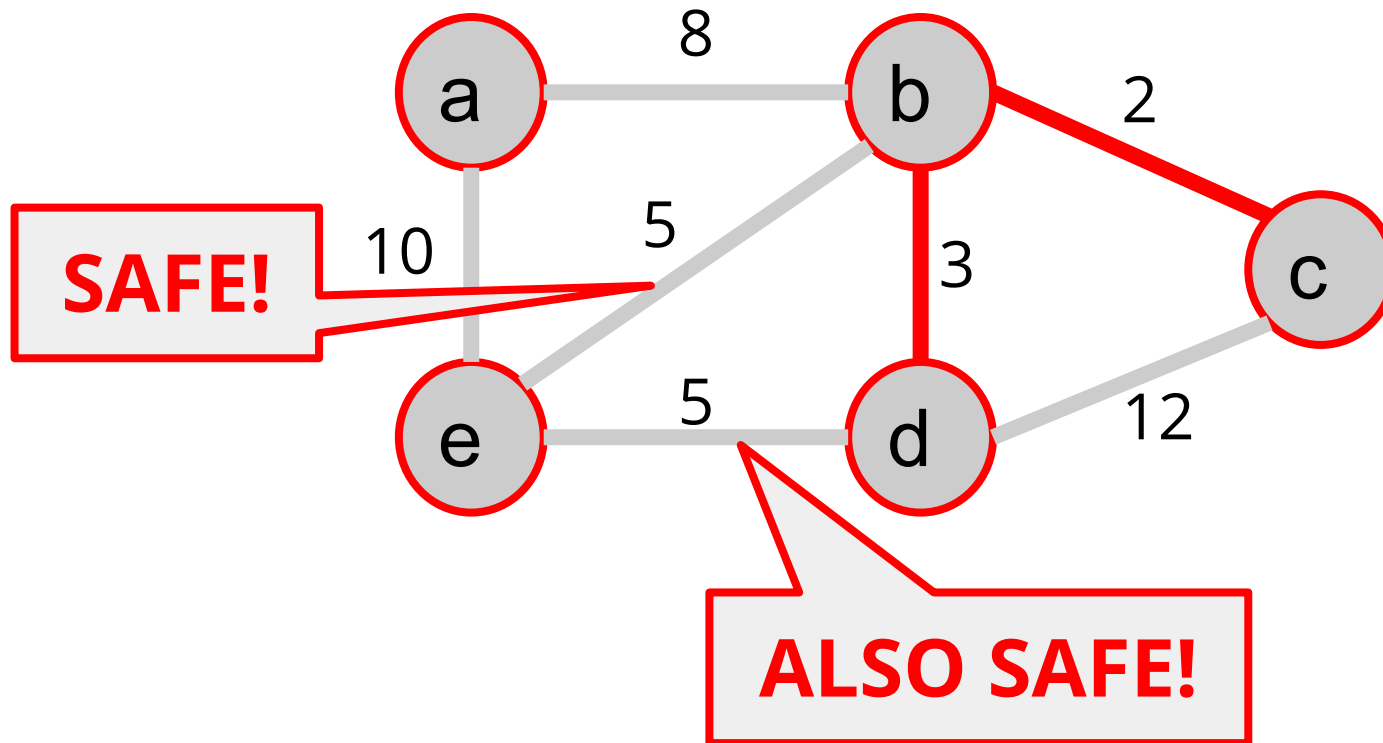


Now **b and c** in one connected component,
each of the other vertices is a component, i.
e., 4 components.

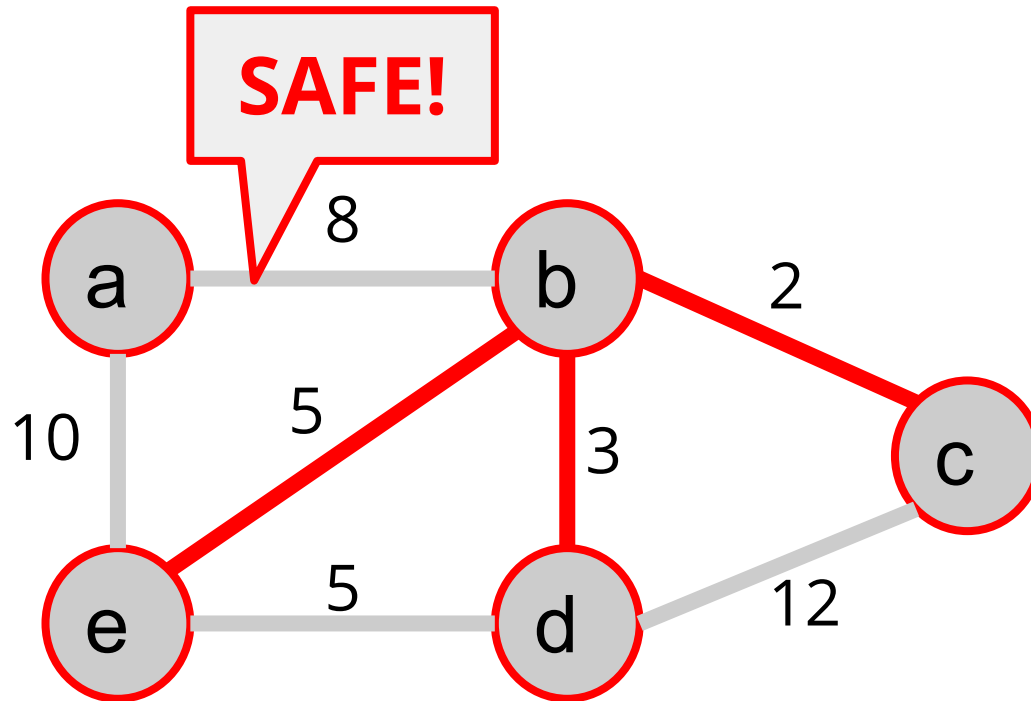
All gray edges are crossing components.



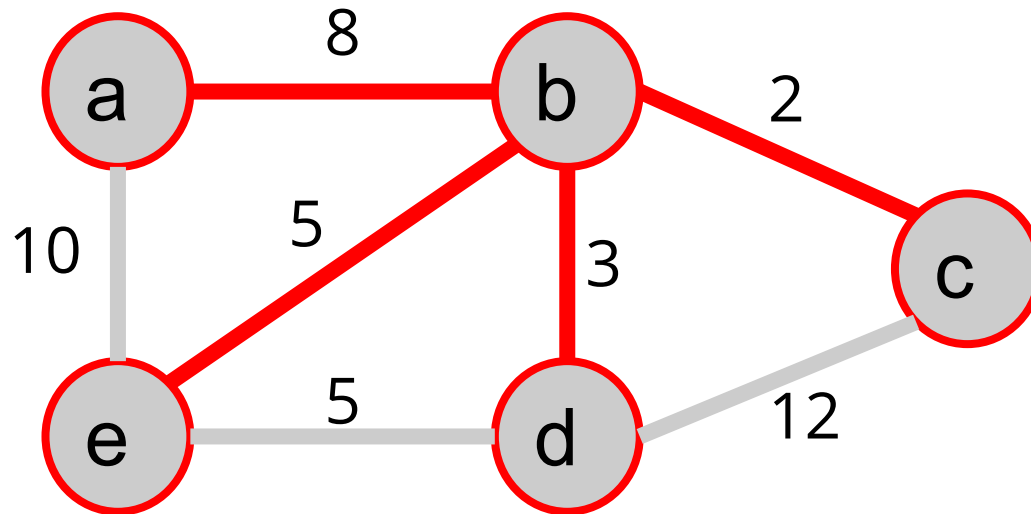
Now **b, c and d** are in one connected component, **a** and **e** each is a component. **(c, d)** is **NOT** crossing components!



Now **b, c, d and e** are in one connected component, **a** is a component.
(a, e) and **(a, b)** are crossing components.



MST grown!



Two things that need to be worried about when actually implementing the algorithm

- How to keep track of the **connected components**?
- How to efficiently find the **minimum** weighted edge?

Kruskal's and **Prim's** basically use different **data structures** to do these two things.

to be continued...

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Thursday

Recap:

Generic MST growing algorithm

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    return  $T$ 
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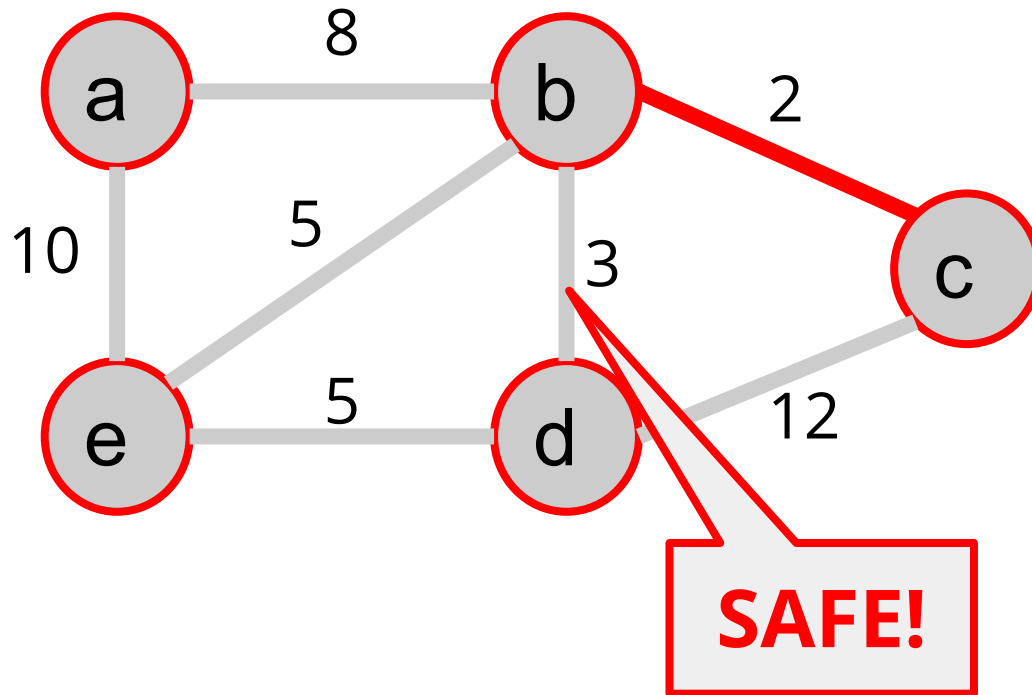

Recap: Finding safe edge

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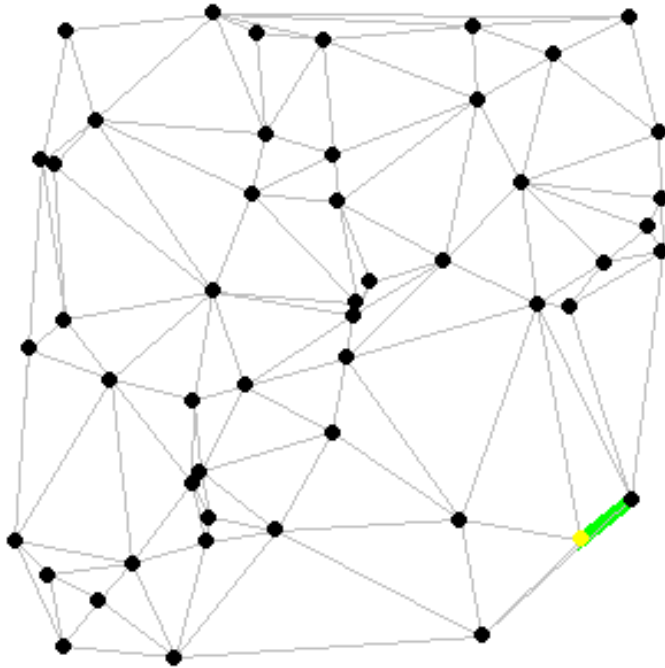
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Overview: Prim's and Kruskal's

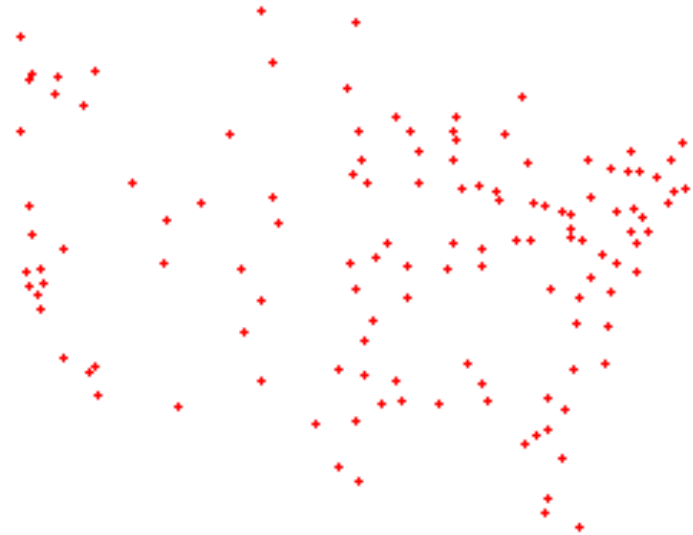
	Keep track of connected components	Find minimum weight edge
Prim's	<i>Keep "one tree plus isolated vertices"</i>	<i>use priority queue ADT</i>
Kruskal's	<i>use "disjoint set" ADT</i>	<i>Sort all edges according to weight</i>

Prim's



www.combinatorica.com

Kruskal's



www.combinatorica.com

<https://trendsofcode.files.wordpress.com/2014/09/dijkstra.gif>

https://www.projectrhea.org/rhea/images/4/4b/Kruskal_Old_Kiwi.gif

Prim's MST algorithm

Prim's algorithm: Idea

- Start from an arbitrary vertex as root
- Focus on growing **one** tree, add one edge at a time. The tree is one **component**, each of the other (**isolated**) vertices is a **component**.
- Add which edge? Among all edges that are **incident to the current tree (edges crossing components)**, pick one with the **minimum** weight.
- How to get that minimum? Store all candidate vertices in a **Min-Priority Queue** whose key is the weight of the **crossing** edge (incident to tree).

PRIM-MST($G=(V, E, w)$):

1 $T \leftarrow \{\}$

2 for all v in V :

3 $\text{key}[v] \leftarrow \infty$

4 $\text{pi}[v] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$

$\text{key}[v]$ keeps the “shortest distance”
between v and the current tree

$\text{pi}[v]$ keeps who, in the tree, is v
connected to via lightest edge.

5 Initialize priority queue Q with all v in V

6 pick arbitrary vertex r as root

7 $\text{key}[r] \leftarrow 0$

8 while Q is not empty:

9 $u \leftarrow \text{EXTRACT-MIN}(Q)$

10 if $\text{pi}[u] \neq \text{NIL}$:

11 $T \leftarrow T \cup \{(\text{pi}[u], u)\}$

12 for each neighbour v of u :

13 if v in Q and $w(u, v) < \text{key}[v]$:

14 $\text{DECREASE-KEY}(Q, v, w(u, v))$

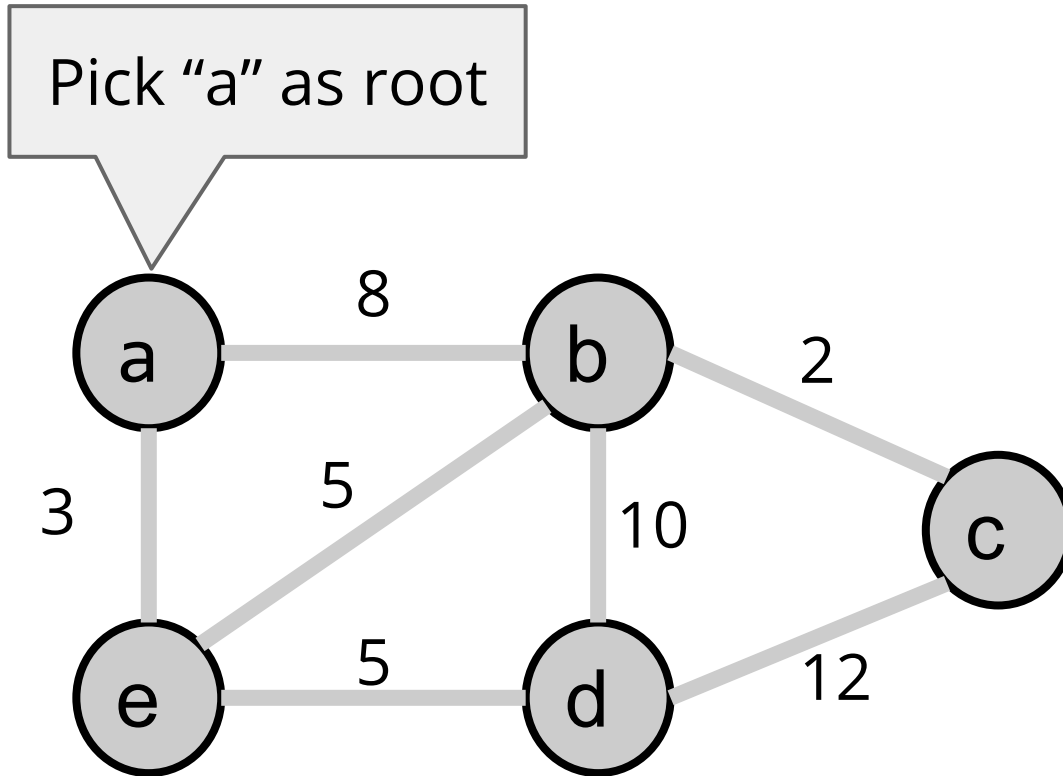
15 $\text{pi}[v] \leftarrow u$

u is the next vertex to add to
current tree

add edge, $\text{pi}[u]$ is lightest
vertex to connect to, “safe”

all u ’s neighbours’ distances to the
current tree need update

Trace an example!

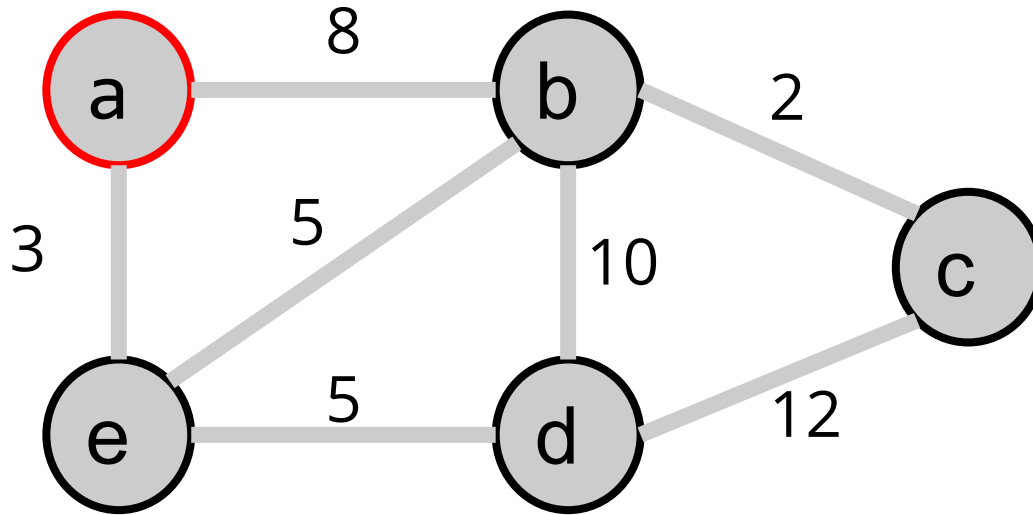


Next, ExtractMin !

Q	key	pi
a	0	NIL
b	∞	NIL
c	∞	NIL
d	∞	NIL
e	∞	NIL

ExtractMin (#1) then update neighbours' keys

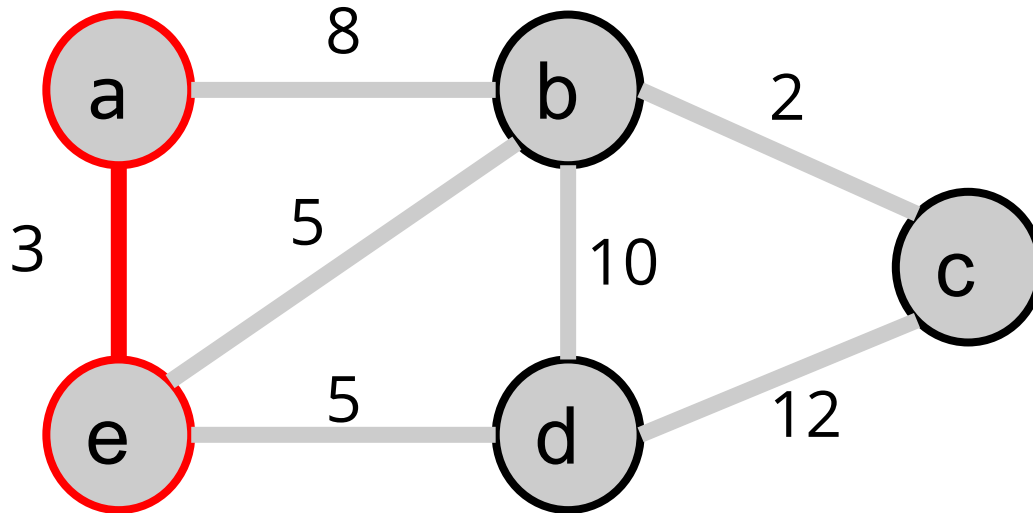
a: 0, NIL



Q	key	pi
b	$\infty \rightarrow 8$	NIL $\rightarrow a$
c	∞	NIL
d	∞	NIL
e	$\infty \rightarrow 3$	NIL $\rightarrow a$

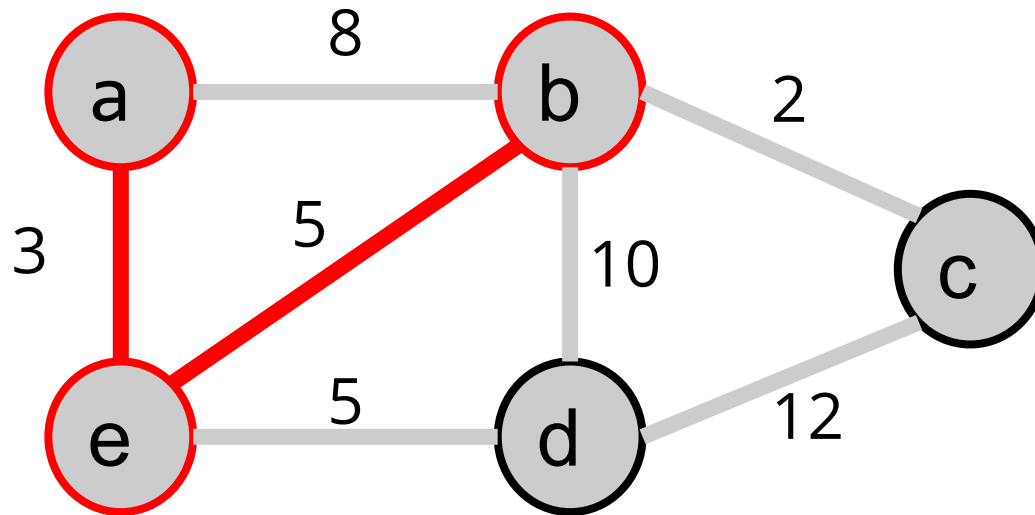
ExtractMin (#2) then update neighbours' keys

e: 3, a



Q	key	pi
b	8 → 5	a → e
c	∞	NIL
d	∞ → 5	NIL → e

ExtractMin (#3) then update neighbours' keys



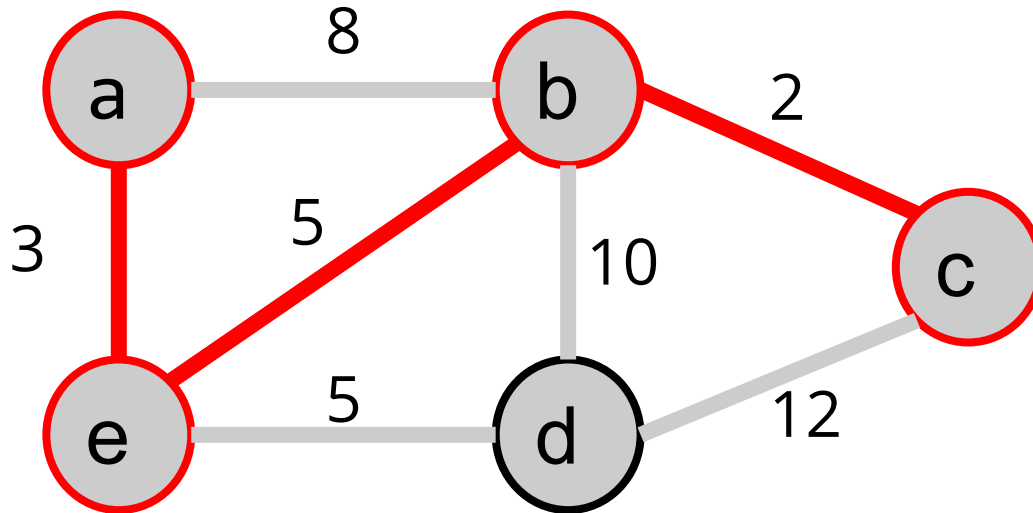
b: 5, e

Q	key	pi
c	$\infty \rightarrow 2$	NIL $\rightarrow b$
d	5	e

Could also have extracted d
since its key is also 5 (min)

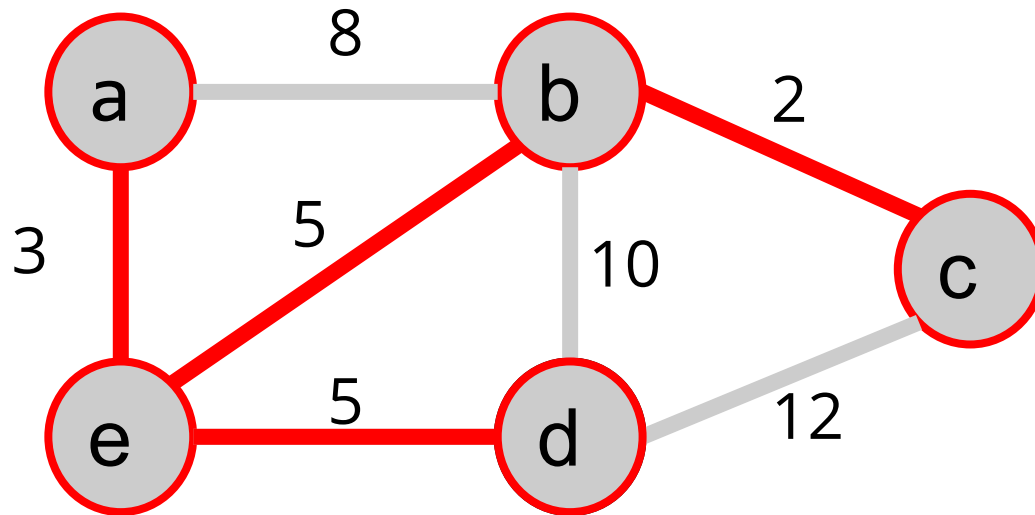
ExtractMin (#4)
then update neighbours' keys

c: 2, b



Q	key	pi
d	5	e

ExtractMin (#4) then update neighbours' keys



d: 5, e

Q	key	pi

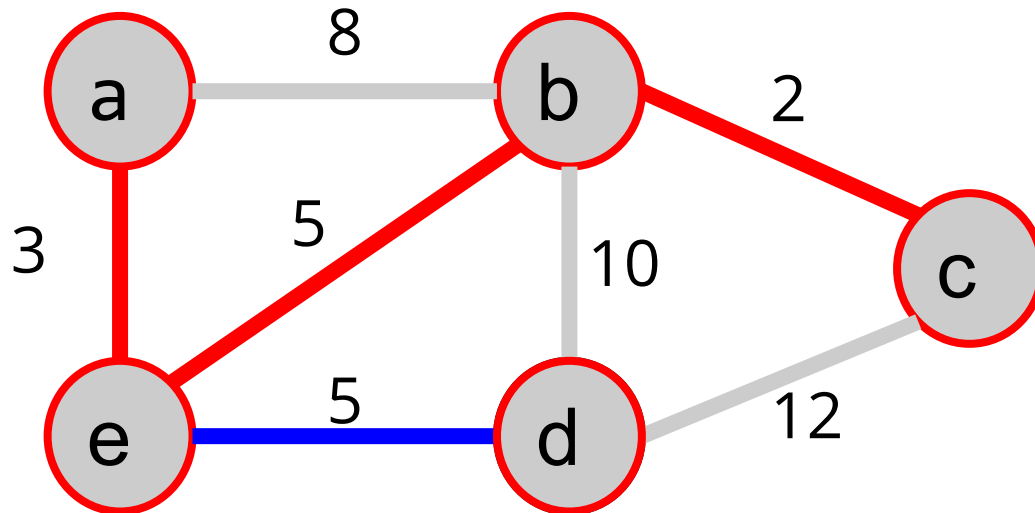
Q is empty now.

MST grown!



Correctness of Prim's

The added edge is always a “**safe**” edge, i.e., the **minimum** weight edge crossing different components (because **ExtractMin**).



Runtime analysis: Prim's

- Assume we use **binary min heap** to implement the priority queue.
- Each ExtractMin take **$O(\log V)$**
- In total **V** ExtractMin's
- In total, check at most **$O(E)$** neighbours, each check neighbour could lead to a **DecreaseKey** which takes **$O(\log V)$**
- **TOTAL: $O((V+E)\log V) = O(E \log V)$**

In a connected graph $G = (V, E)$

$|V|$ is in $O(|E|)$ because...

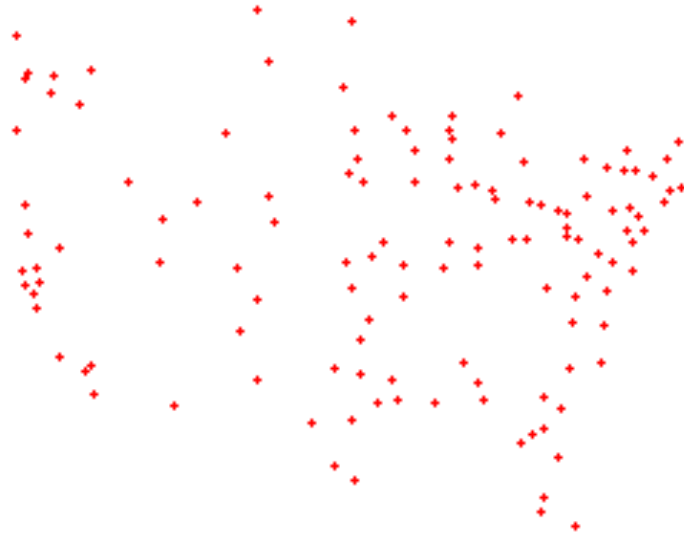
$|E|$ has to be at least $|V|-1$

Also, $\log |E|$ is in $O(\log |V|)$ because ...

E is at most V^2 ,

so $\log E$ is at most $\log V^2 = 2 \log V$, which is
in $O(\log V)$

Kruskal's MST algorithm



Kruskal's algorithm: idea

- **Sort** all edges according to **weight**, then start adding to MST from the **lightest** one.
 - ◆ **This is "greedy"!**
- Constraint: added edge must NOT cause a **cycle**
 - ◆ In other words, the two endpoints of the edge must belong to two **different** trees (components).
- The whole process is like unioning small trees into a big tree.

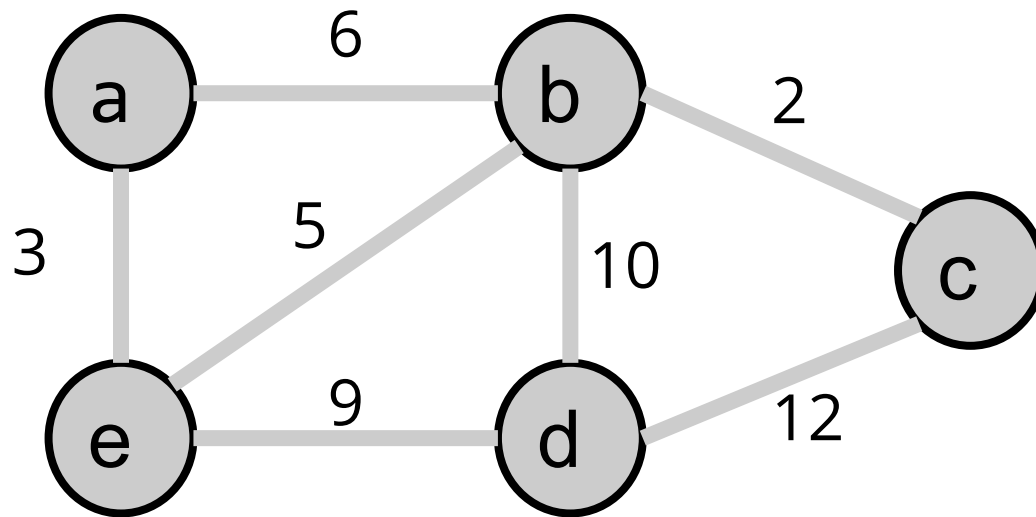
Pseudocode

$$m = |E|$$

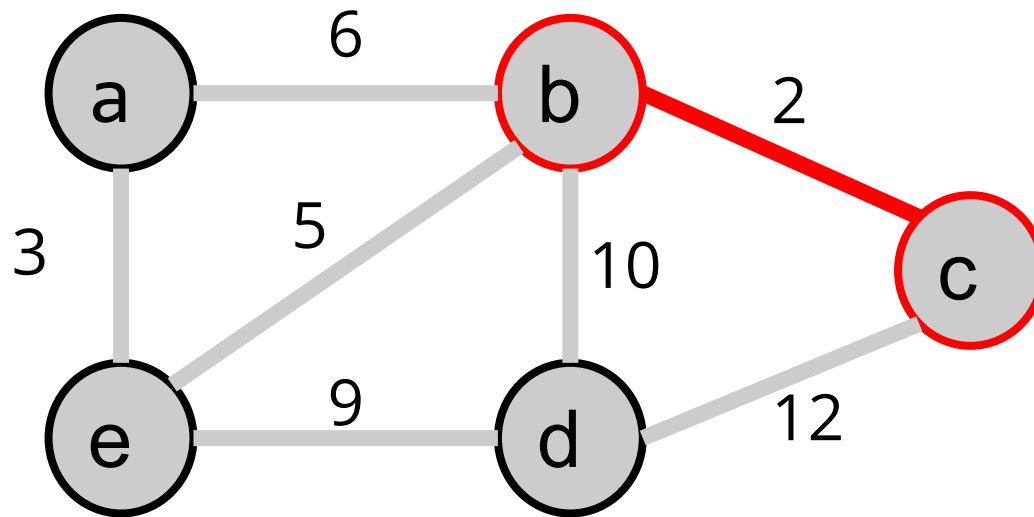
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5      if  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  in different components:
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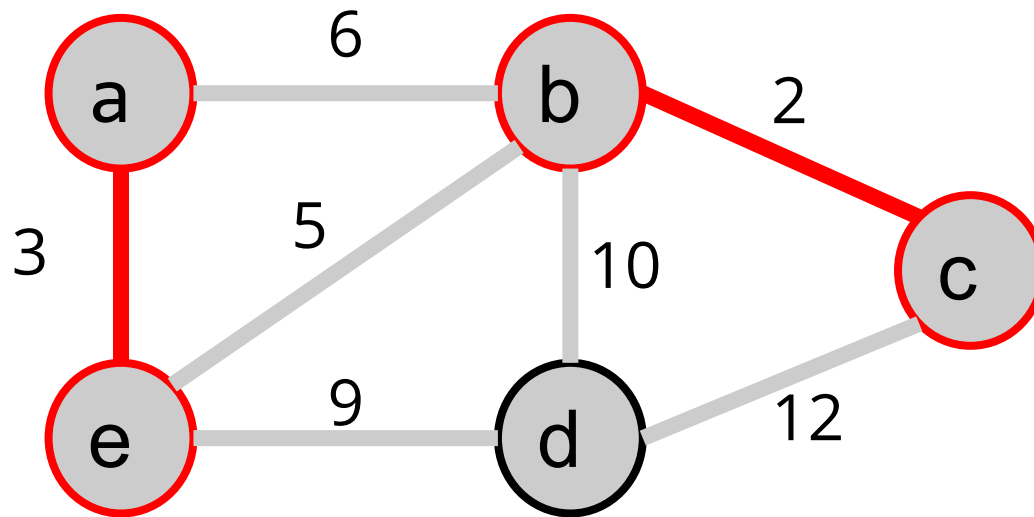
Example



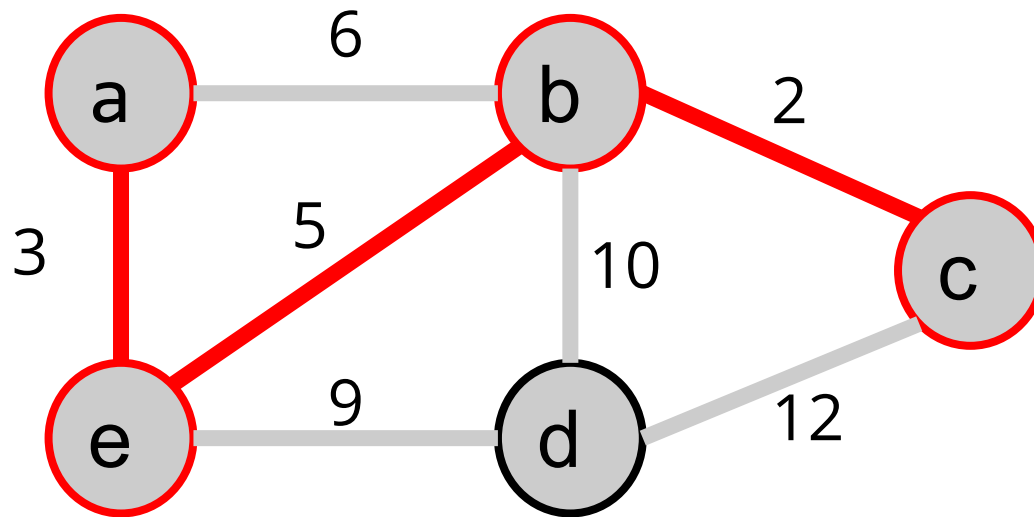
Add (b, c), the lightest edge



Add (a, e), the 2nd lightest



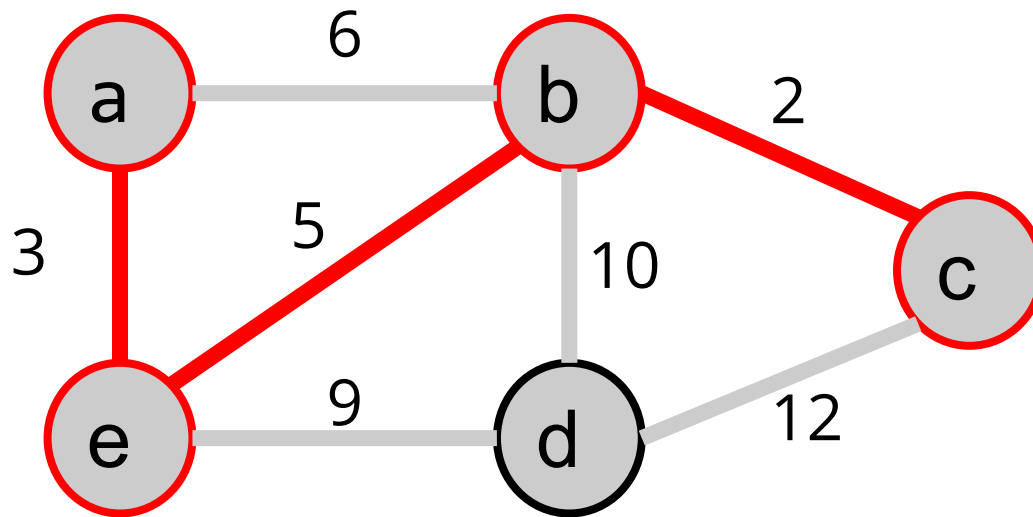
Add (b, e), the 3rd lightest



Add (a, b), the 4th lightest ...

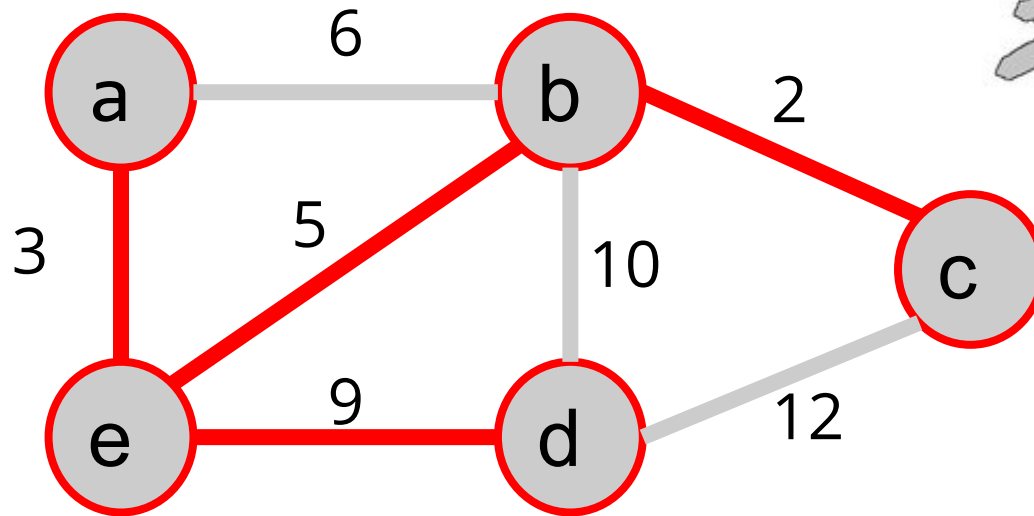
No! a, b are in the same component

Add (d, e) instead!



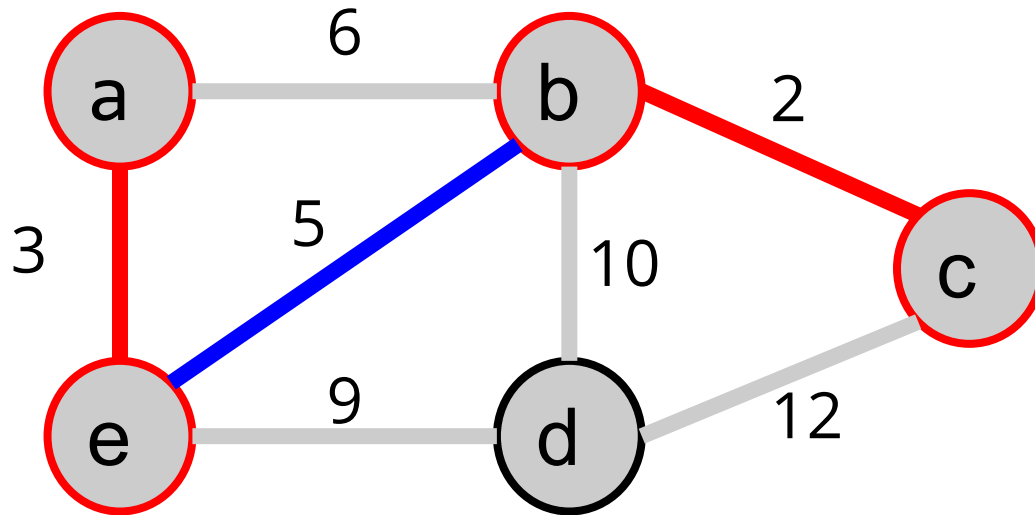
Add (d, e) ...

MST grown!



Correctness of Kruskal's

The added edge is always a “**safe**” edge, because it is the **minimum** weight edge among all edges that **cross** components



Runtime ...

$$m = |E|$$

sorting takes **$O(E \log E)$**

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How **exactly** do we do this two lines?

We need the **Disjoint Set** ADT

which stores a collections of nonempty disjoint sets **S1, S2, ..., Sk**, each has a “representative”.

and supports the following operations

- **MakeSet(x)**: create a new set {x}
- **FindSet(x)**: return the representative of the set that x belongs to
- **Union(x, y)**: union the two sets that contain x and y, if different

Real Pseudocode

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3  for each  $v$  in  $V$ :
4      MakeSet( $v$ )
5  for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $m$ :
6      # let  $(u_i, v_i) = e_i$ 
7      if FindSet( $u_i$ )  $\neq$  FindSet( $v_i$ ):
8          Union( $u_i, v_i$ )
9           $T \leftarrow T \cup \{e_i\}$ 
```

Next week

→ More on Disjoint Set

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