

Minimum Spanning Tree: Prim's & Kruskal's Algorithms

Prim's Algorithm

- Prim's algorithm finds a minimum spanning tree (MST) for a connected weighted graph.
- MST = subset of edges that forms a tree including every vertex, such that total weight of all edges is minimized
- Vojtěch Jarník: *O jistém problému minimálním* [About a certain minimal problem], *Práce Moravské Přírodovědecké Společnosti*, 6, 1930, pp. 57-63. (in Czech)
- Robert C. Prim: *Shortest connection networks and some generalisations*. In: *Bell System Technical Journal*, 36 (1957), pp. 1389–1401
- Rediscovered by Edsger Dijkstra in 1959
- *aka DJP algorithm, Jarník algorithm, Prim-Jarník algorithm*

Prim's Algorithm

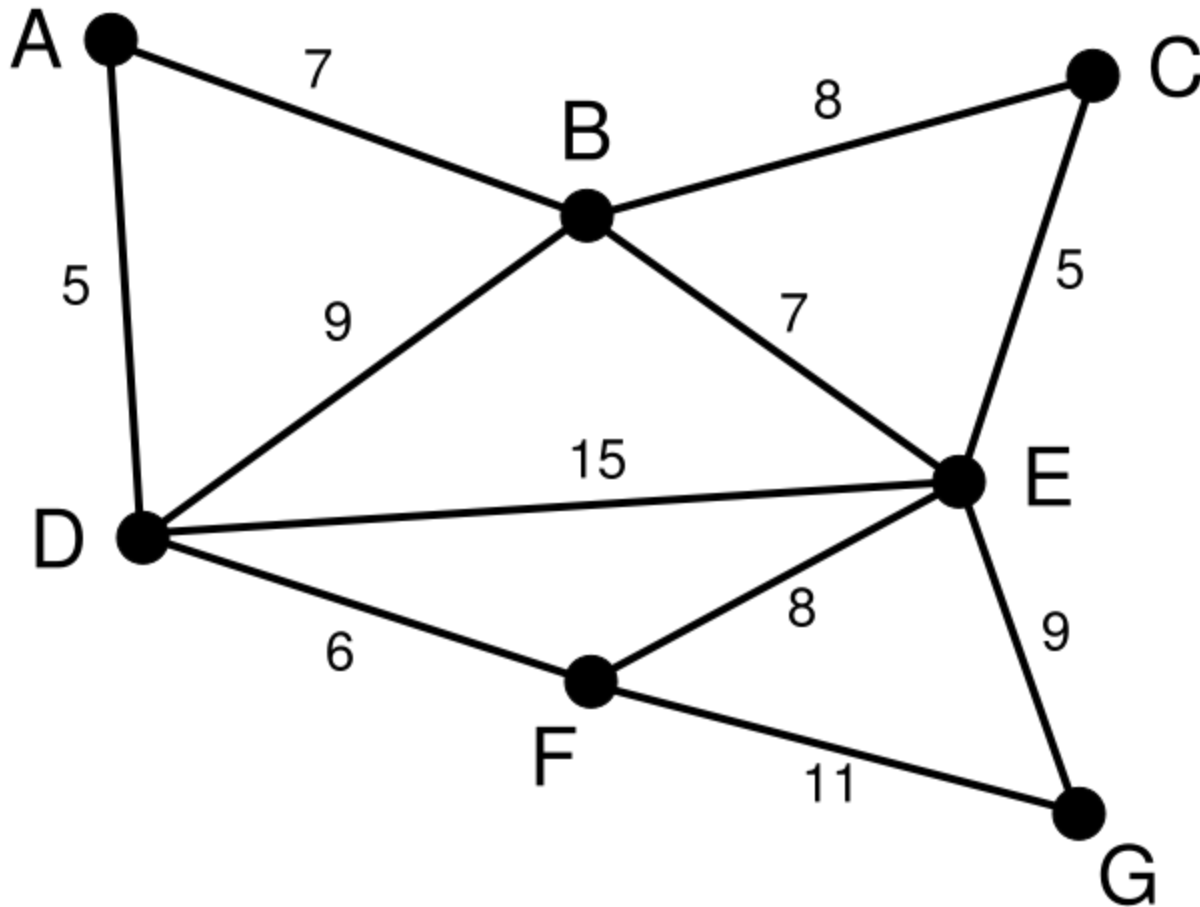
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for each vertex in graph
    set min_distance of vertex to  $\infty$ 
    set parent of vertex to null
    set minimum_adjacency_list of vertex to empty list
    set is_in_Q of vertex to true
set distance of initial vertex to zero
add to minimum-heap Q all vertices in graph.

while latest_addition = remove minimum in Q
    set is_in_Q of latest_addition to false
    add latest_addition to (minimum_adjacency_list of (parent of latest_addition))
    add (parent of latest_addition) to (minimum_adjacency_list of latest_addition)

    for each adjacent of latest_addition
        if (is_in_Q of adjacent) and (weight-function(latest_addition, adjacent) <
            min_distance of adjacent)
            set parent of adjacent to latest_addition
            set min_distance of adjacent to weight-function(latest_addition, adjacent)

    update adjacent in Q, order by min_distance
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Prim's Algorithm 1



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C, G

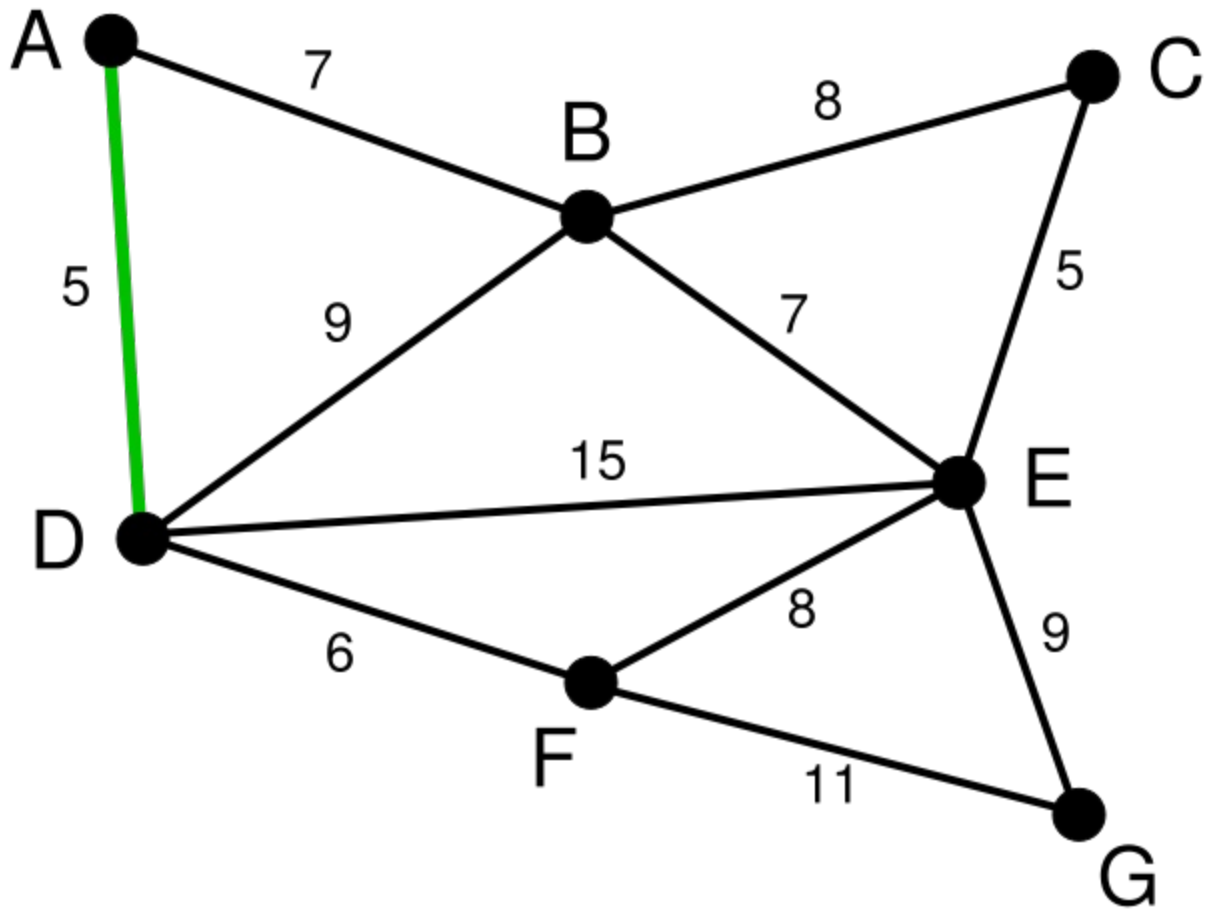
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A, B, E, F

Solution

D

Prim's Algorithm 2



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C, G

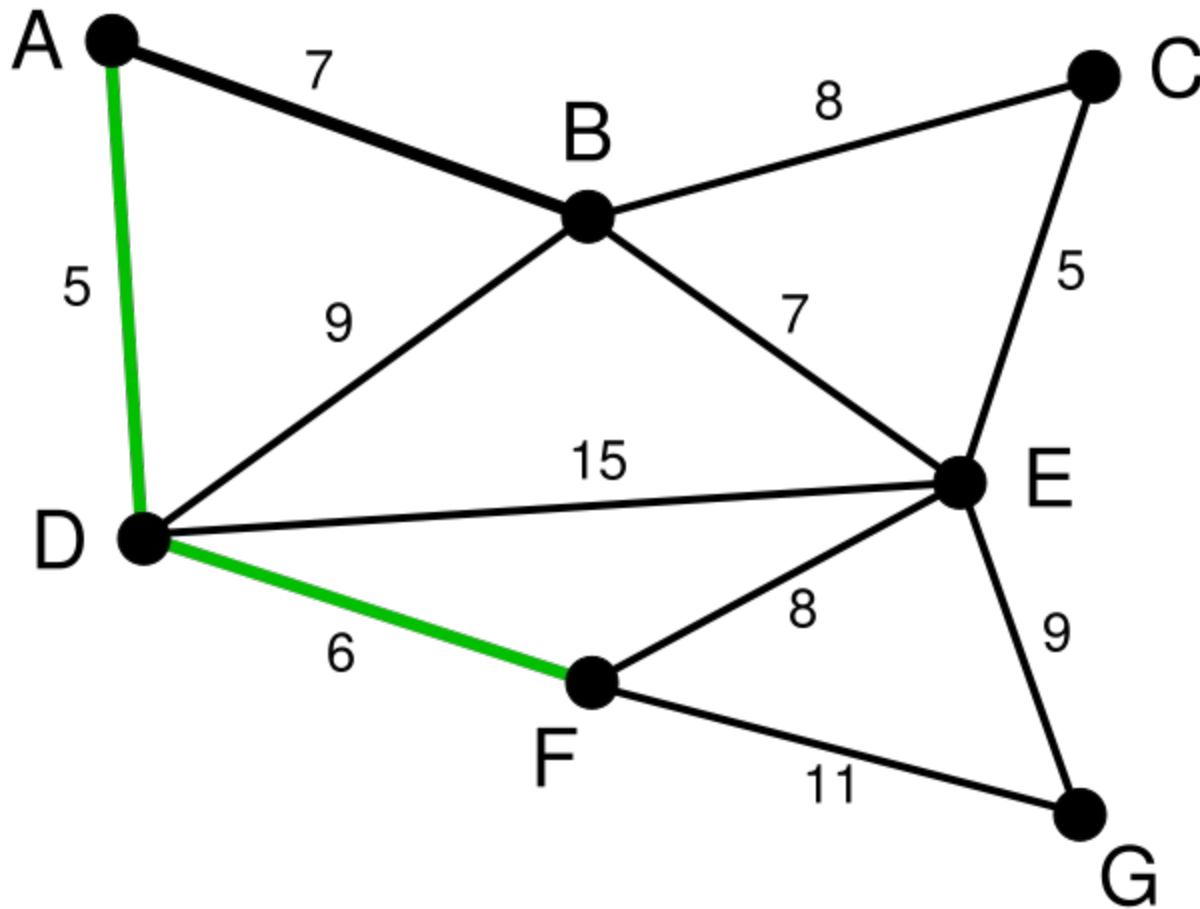
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B, E, F

Solution

A, D

Prim's Algorithm 3



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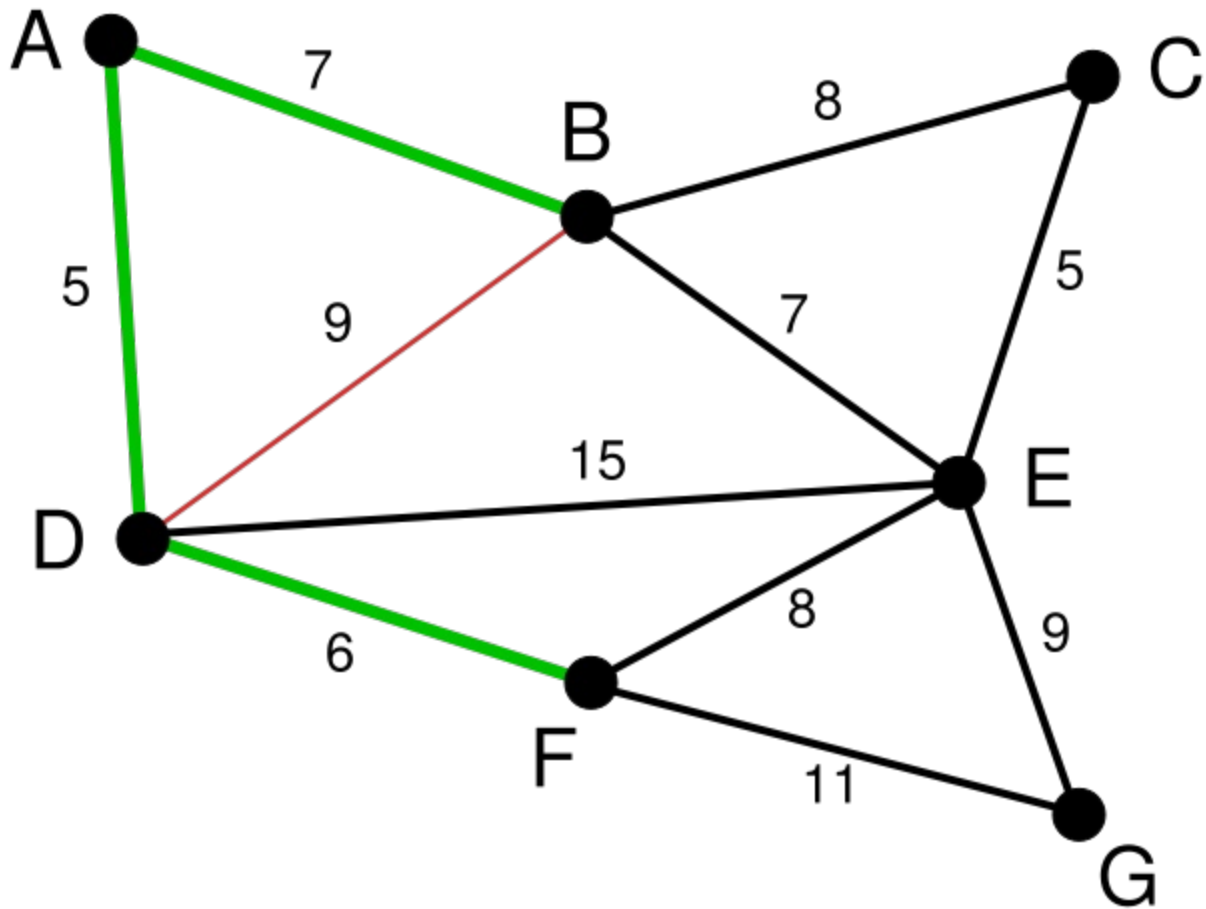
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B, E, G

Solution

A, D, F

Prim's Algorithm 4



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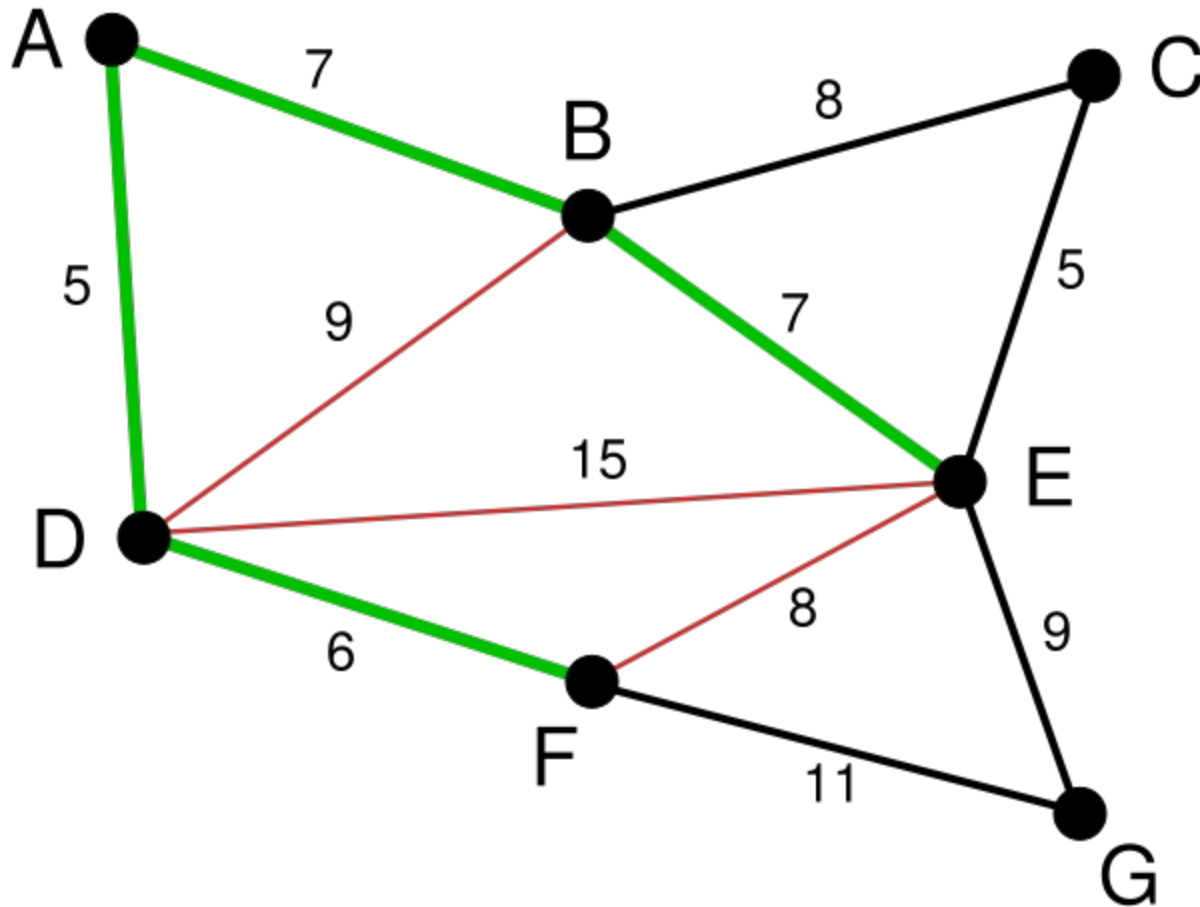
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C, E, G

Solution

A, D, F, B

Prim's Algorithm 5



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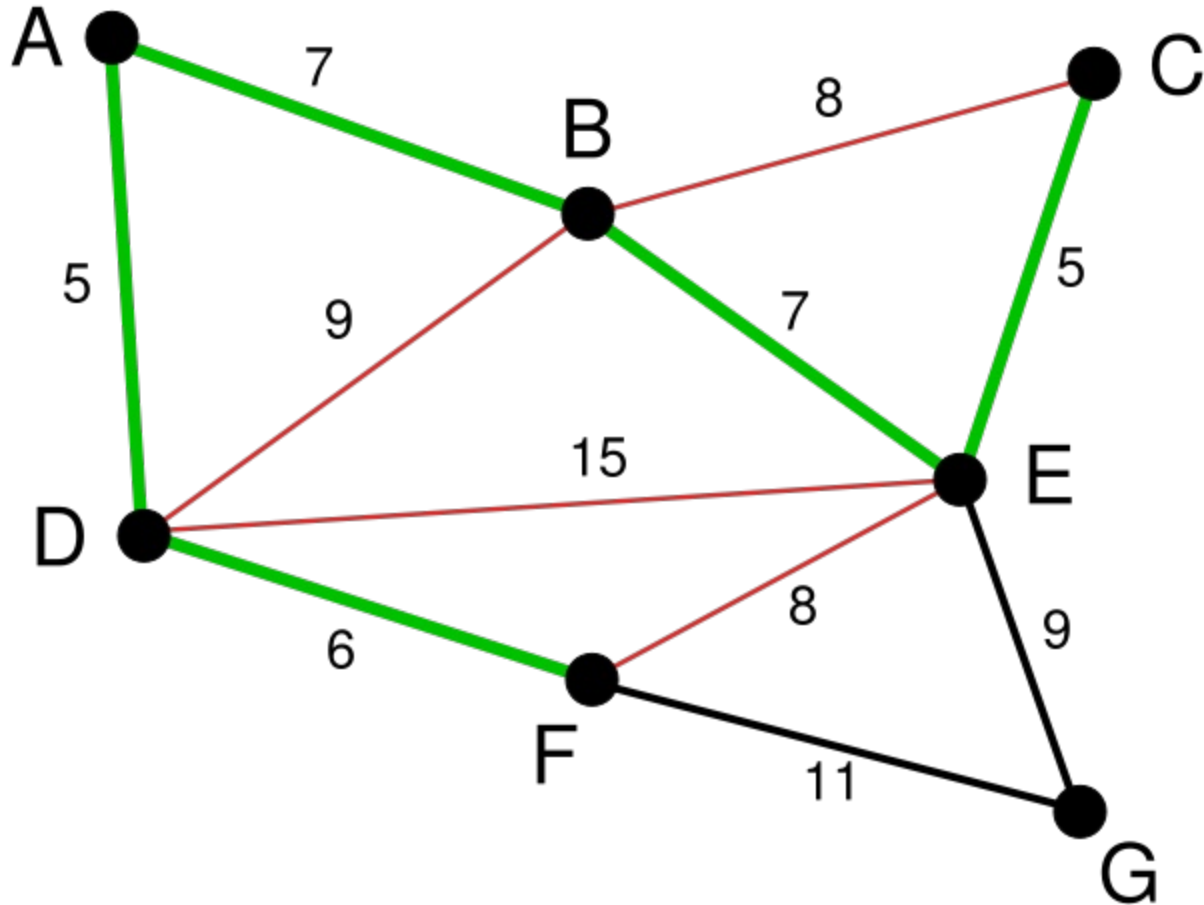
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C, G

Solution

A, D, F, B, E

Prim's Algorithm 6



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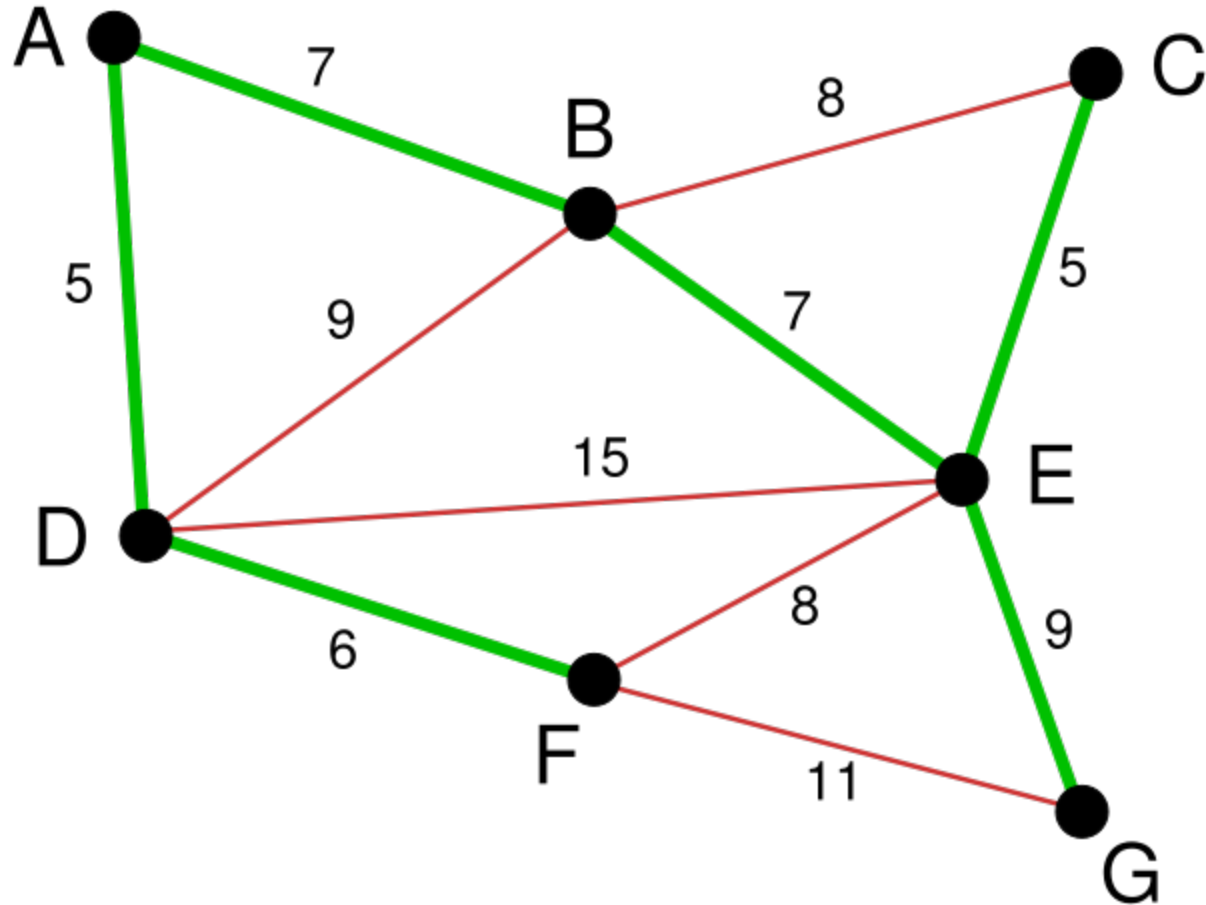
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G

Solution

A, D, F, B, E, C

Prim's Algorithm 7



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Solution

A, D, F, B, E, C, G

Prim's Algorithm

```
public class Algorithms
{
    public static Graph PrimsAlgorithm(Graph g, int s)
    {
        int n = g.NumberOfVertices;
        Entry[] table = new Entry[n];
        for (int v = 0; v < n; ++v)
            table[v] = new Entry(false,
                                   int.MaxValue, int.MaxValue);
        table[s].distance = 0;
        PriorityQueue queue = new BinaryHeap(g.NumberOfEdges);
        queue.Enqueue(new Association(0, g.GetVertex(s)));

        while (!queue.IsEmpty)
        {
            Association assoc = (Association)queue.DequeueMin();
            Vertex v0 = (Vertex)assoc.Value;
            if (!table[v0.Number].known)
            {
                table[v0.Number].known = true;
                foreach (Edge e in v0.EmanatingEdges)
                {
                    Vertex v1 = e.MateOf(v0);
                    int d = (int)e.Weight;
                    if (!table[v1.Number].known &&
                        table[v1.Number].distance > d)
                    {
                        table[v1.Number].distance = d;
                        table[v1.Number].predecessor = v0.Number;
                        queue.Enqueue(new Association(d, v1));
                    }
                }
            }
        }

        Graph result = new GraphAsLists(n);
        for (int v = 0; v < n; ++v)
            result.AddVertex(v);
        for (int v = 0; v < n; ++v)
            if (v != s)
                result.AddEdge(v, table[v].predecessor);
        return result;
    }
}
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Kruskal's Algorithm

- Kruskal's algorithm finds a minimum spanning tree (MST) for a connected weighted graph.
- MST = subset of edges that forms a tree including every vertex, such that total weight of all edges is minimized
- If the graph is not connected, the minimum spanning forest will be found, i.e., MST for each connected component.
 - This is because all edges are examined in order of weight.
- Kruskal's is a greedy algorithm
- Joseph. B. Kruskal: *On the Shortest Spanning Subtree of a Graph and the Traveling Salesman Problem*. In: *Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society*, Vol 7, No. 1 (Feb, 1956), pp. 48–50

Kruskal's Algorithm

```
function Kruskal( $G$ )
  for each vertex  $v$  in  $G$  do
    Define an elementary cluster  $C(v) \leftarrow \{v\}$ .

  Initialize a priority queue  $Q$  to contain all edges in  $G$ , using the weights as keys.
  Define a tree  $T \leftarrow \emptyset$            //  $T$  will ultimately contain the edges of the MST

  //  $n$  is total number of vertices
  while  $T$  has fewer than  $n-1$  edges do

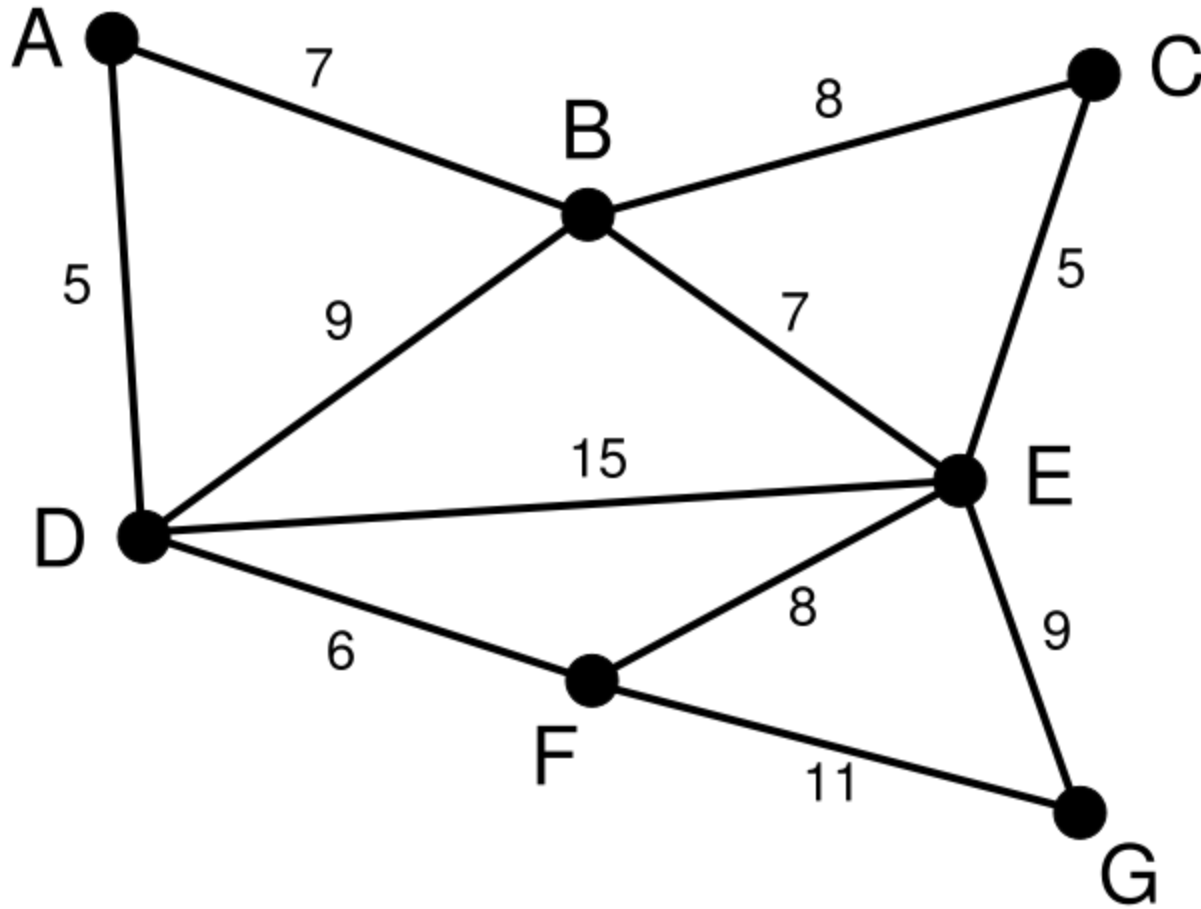
     $(u, v) \leftarrow Q.\text{removeMin}()$ 

    // prevent cycles in  $T$ . add edge  $u, v$  only if  $T$  does not already contain an edge
    // consisting of  $u$  and  $v$ .
    // Note that the cluster contains more than one vertex only if an edge containing
    // a pair of the vertices has been added to the tree.

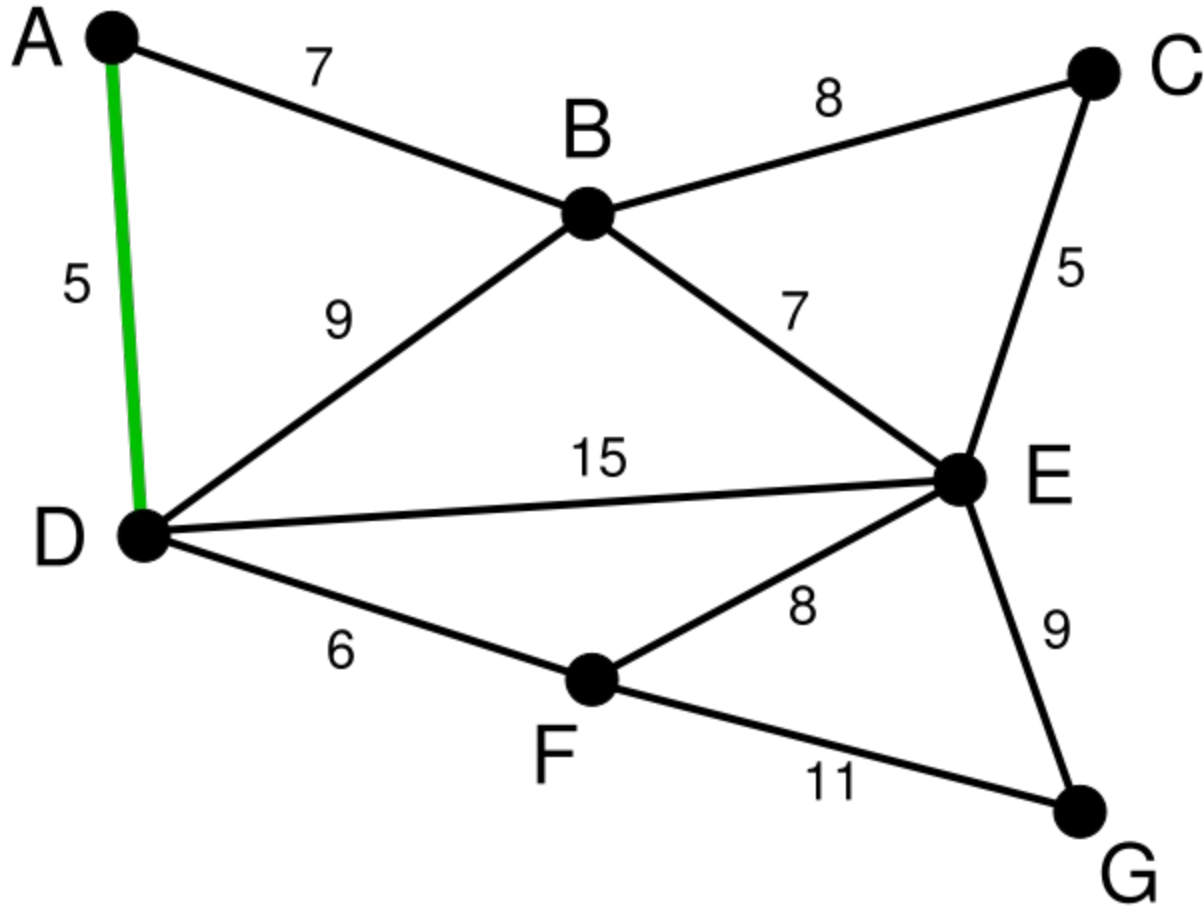
    Let  $C(v)$  be the cluster containing  $v$ , and let  $C(u)$  be the cluster containing  $u$ .
    if  $C(v) \neq C(u)$  then
      Add edge  $(v, u)$  to  $T$ .
      Merge  $C(v)$  and  $C(u)$  into one cluster, that is, union  $C(v)$  and  $C(u)$ .

  return tree  $T$ 
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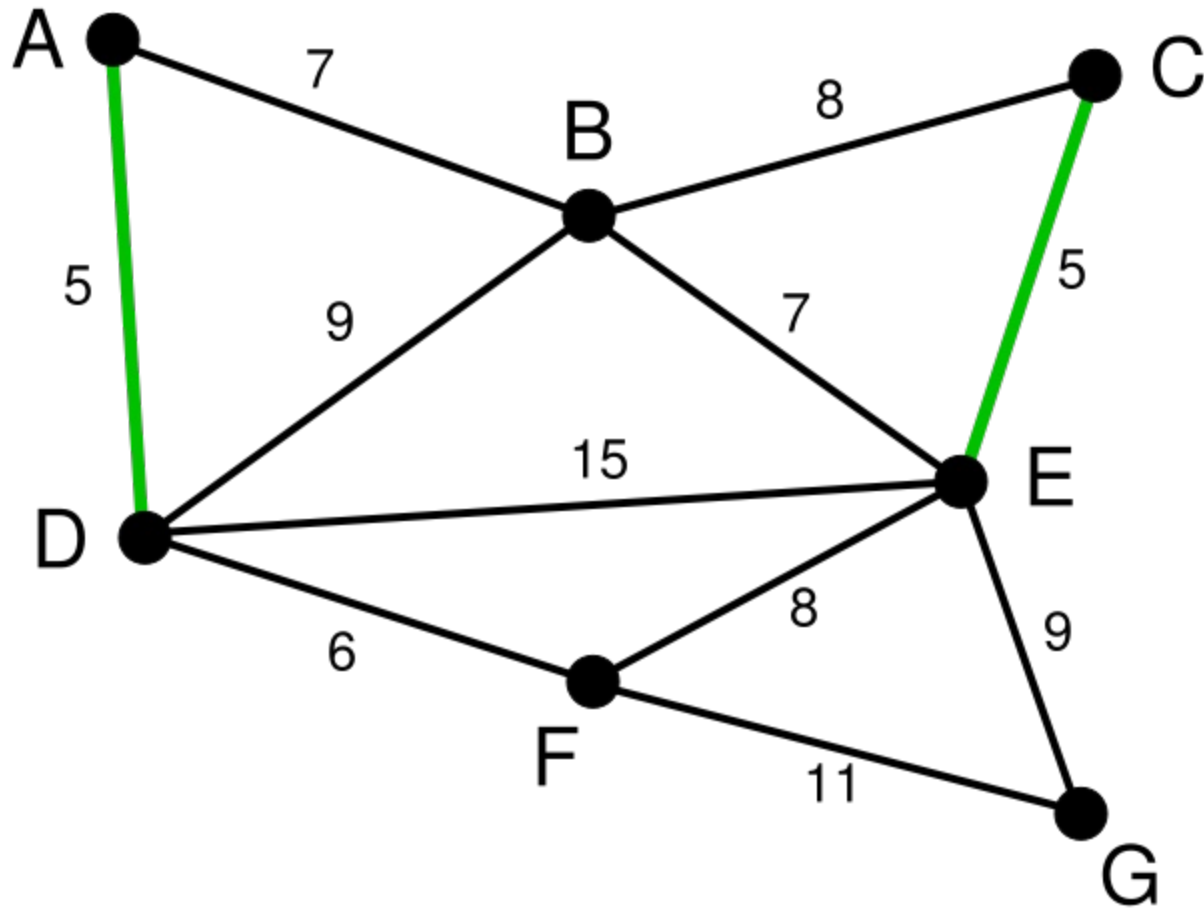
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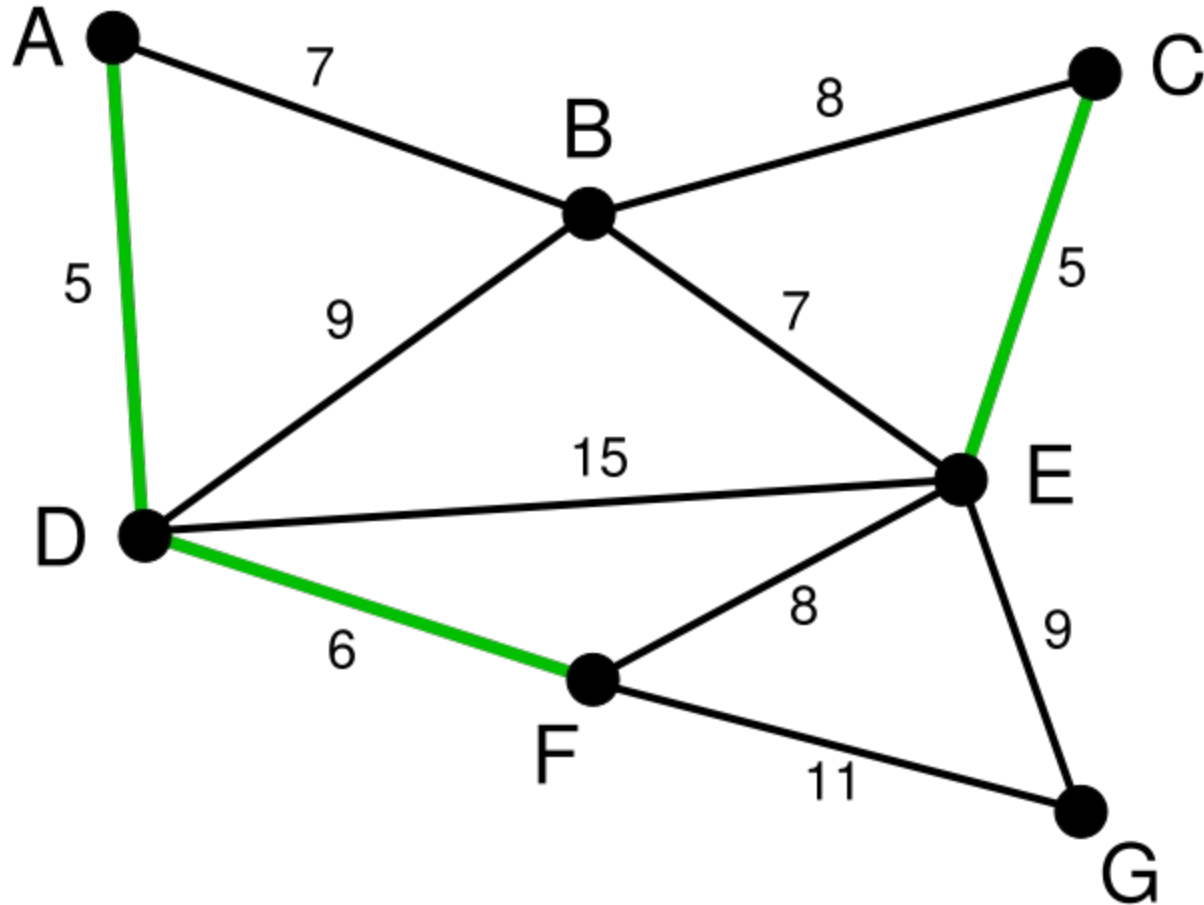
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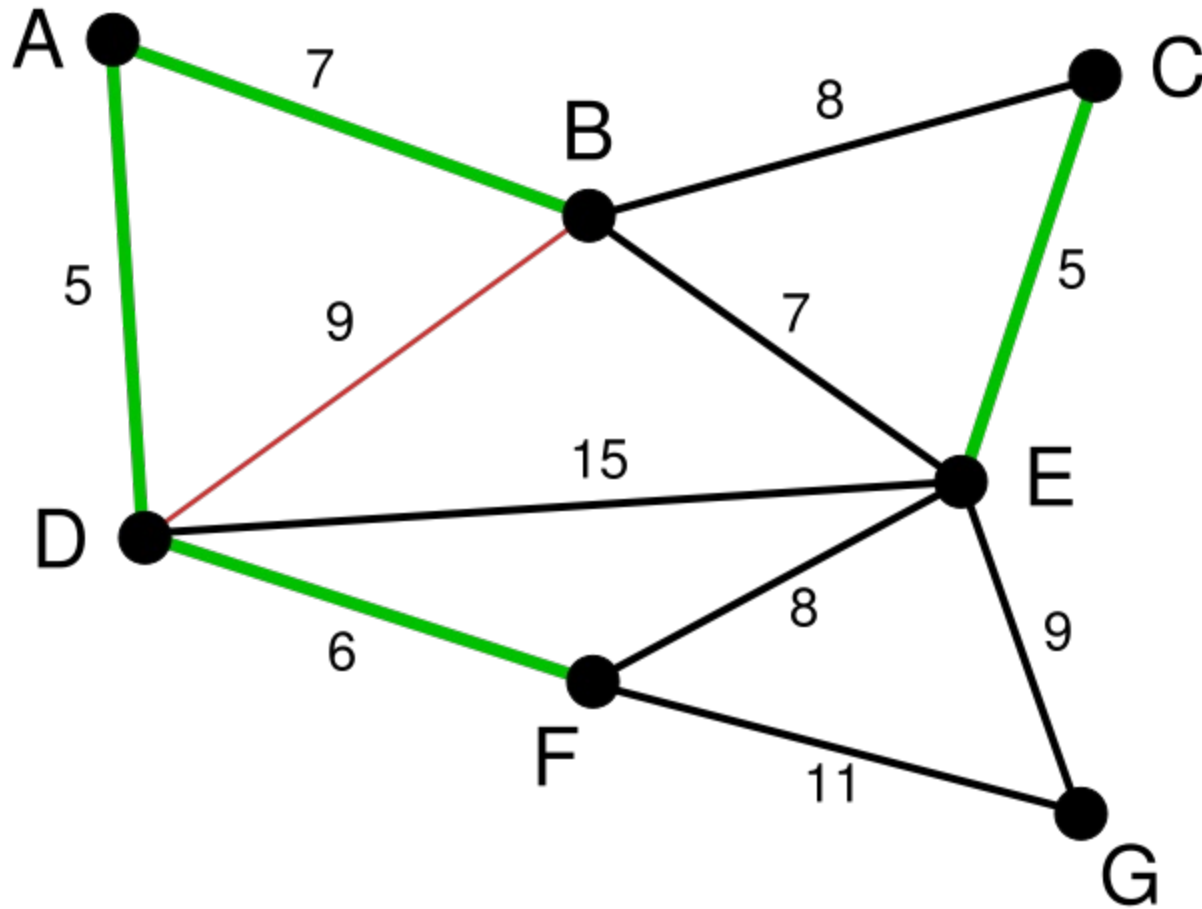
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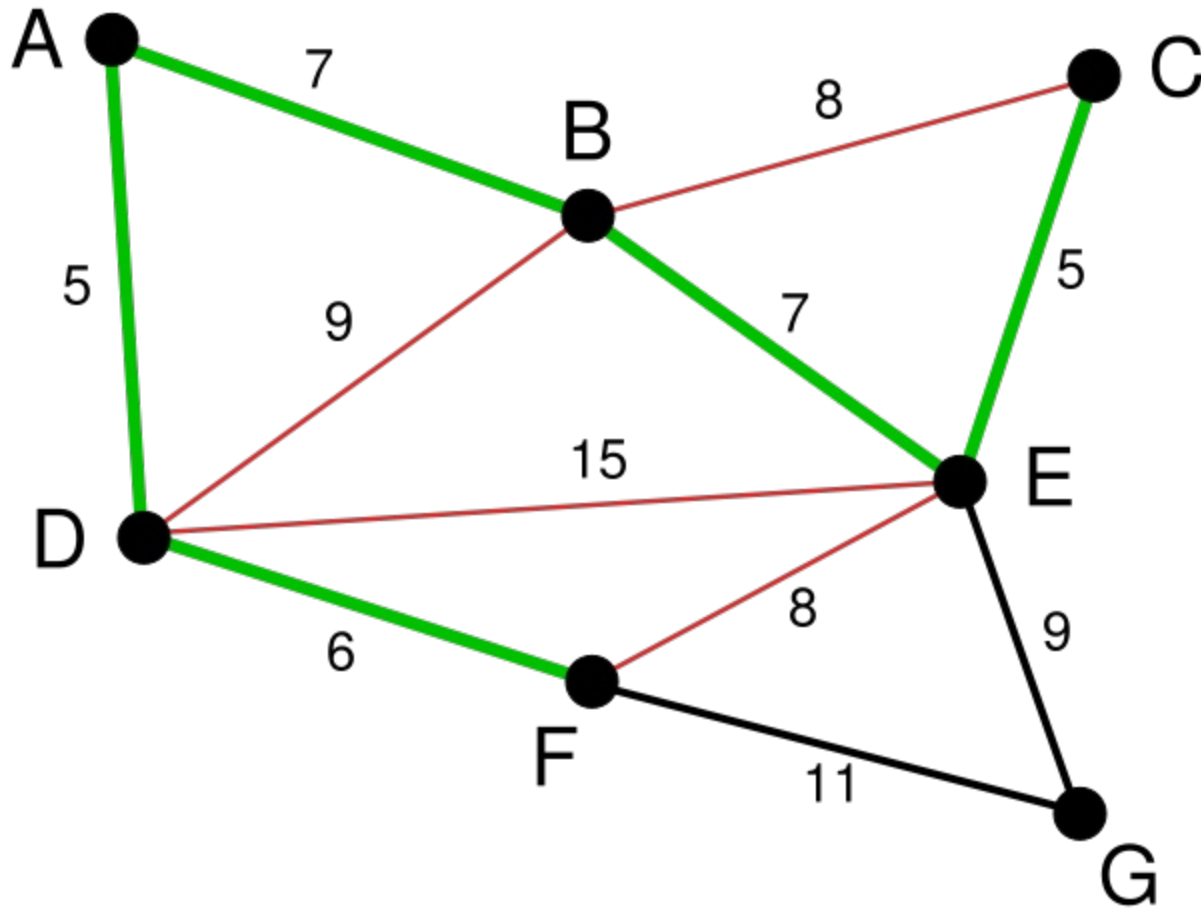
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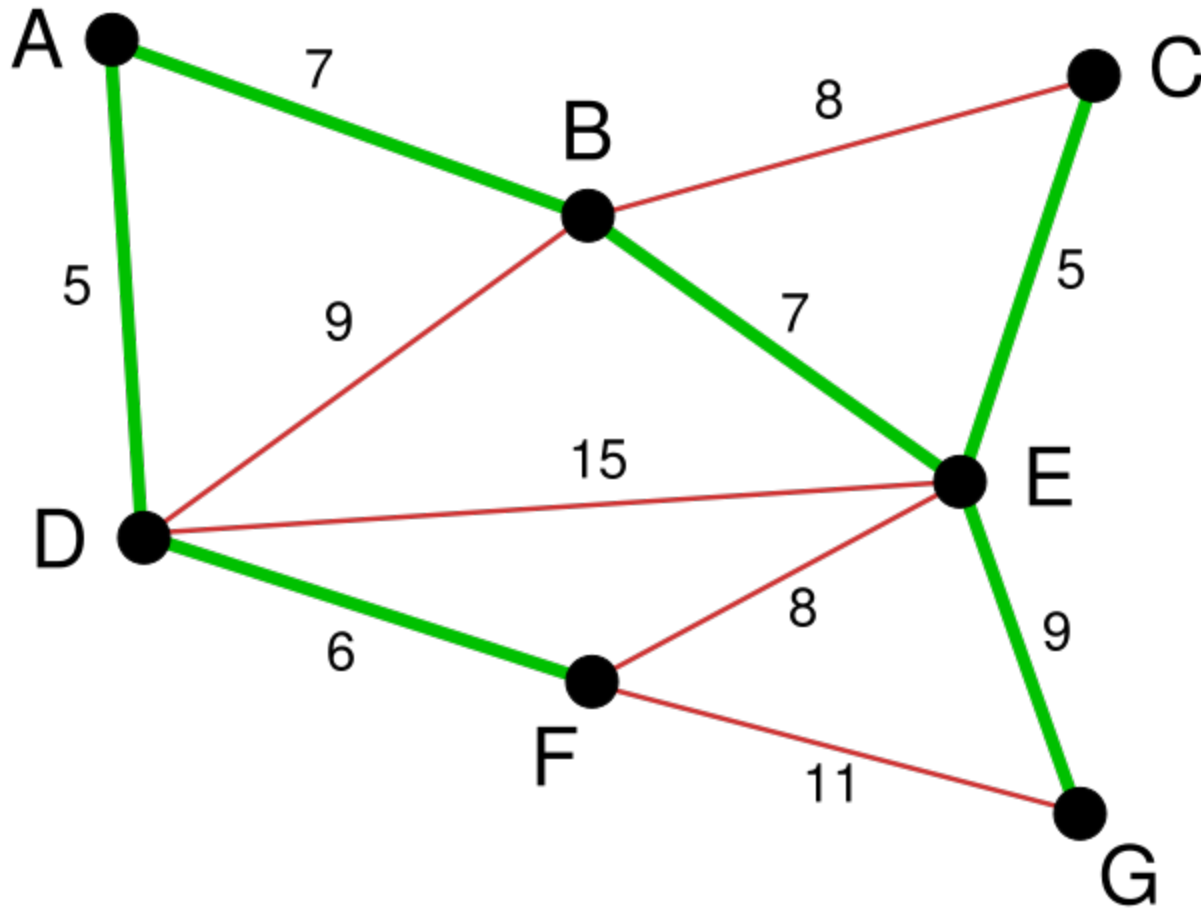
Kruskal's Algorithm 5



Kruskal's Algorithm 6



Kruskal's Algorithm 7



Kruskal's Algorithm

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{
    public static Graph KruskalsAlgorithm(Graph g)
    {
        int n = g.NumberOfVertices;

        Graph result = new GraphAsLists(n);
        for (int v = 0; v < n; ++v)
            result.AddVertex(v);

        PriorityQueue queue =
            new BinaryHeap(g.NumberOfEdges);
        foreach (Edge e in g.Edges)
        {
            int weight = (int)e.Weight;
            queue.Enqueue(new Association(weight, e));
        }

        Partition partition = new PartitionAsForest(n);
        while (!queue.IsEmpty && partition.Count > 1)
        {
            Association assoc = (Association)queue.DequeueMin();
            Edge e = (Edge)assoc.Value;
            int n0 = e.V0.Number;
            int n1 = e.V1.Number;
            Set s = partition.Find(n0);
            Set t = partition.Find(n1);
            if (s != t)
            {
                partition.Join(s, t);
                result.AddEdge(n0, n1);
            }
        }
        return result;
    }
}
```

Prim's & Kruskal's Demos

- Prim's:
 - <http://www.unf.edu/~wkloster/foundations/PrimApplet/PrimApplet.htm>
- Kruskal's:
 - <http://students.ceid.upatras.gr/~papagel/project/kruskal.htm>
 - <http://www.unf.edu/~wkloster/foundations/KruskalApplet/KruskalApplet.htm>

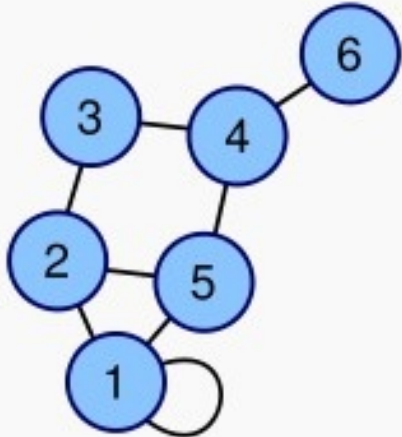
Prim's & Kruskal's Running Time

$\{1,1\}, \{1,2\}, \{1,5\}$

$\{2,3\}, \{2,5\}$

$\{3,4\}$

$\{4,5\}, \{4,6\}$

Labeled graph	Adjacency matrix
	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Input is Adjacency List

Input is Adjacency Matrix

Prim's

$$O(V + E(\log E))$$

$$O(V^2 + E(\log E))$$

Kruskal's

$$O(V + E(\log E) + E(\log V))$$

$$O(V^2 + E(\log E) + E(\log V))$$

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