

# Graphs

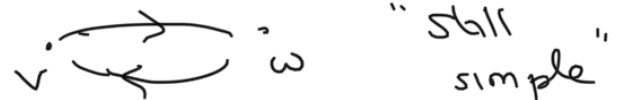
$$\sum_{v \in V} \deg(v) = 2 |E|$$

$V$  vertex set

$E$  edge set

Simple graphs : no self loops  
only 1 edge bet a  
pair of vertices

Directed graphs :



Path :  $v_1 v_2 \dots v_k$   
Cannot visit same vertex twice

cycle :  $v_1 v_2 \dots v_k v_1$

path with only initial, final  
vertices same

Tree (undirected graph)

Proof?

connected graph  
on  $n$  vertices

$\Leftrightarrow$

graph is a tree

$\Uparrow$  def

+  $|E| = n-1$

connected + no cycles

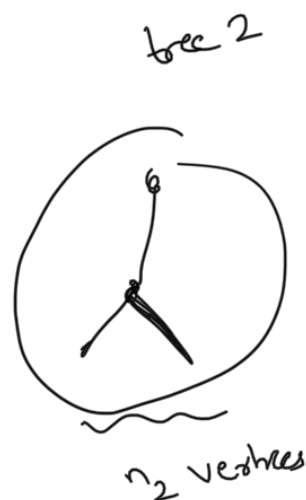
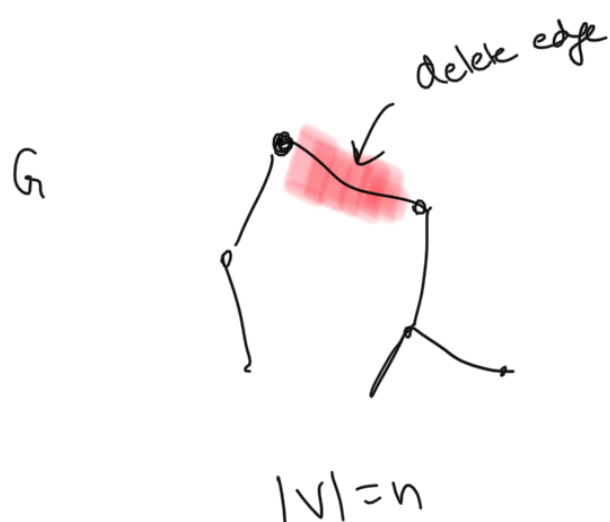
Directed graph with no directed cycle

: "directed acyclic graph" (dag)

Proof

Graph is a tree  $\Rightarrow |E| = n-1$   
 $|V| = n$

Induction on  $|V|$



$$n_1 + n_2 = n$$

$$n_1, n_2 < n$$

$n_1 - 1$   
edges

$n_2 - 1$   
edges

$\therefore$  overall

$$n_1 + n_2 - 2 + \text{red square}$$

$$= n_1 + n_2 - 1$$

$$= n - 1 \text{ edges}$$

Graph

connected,

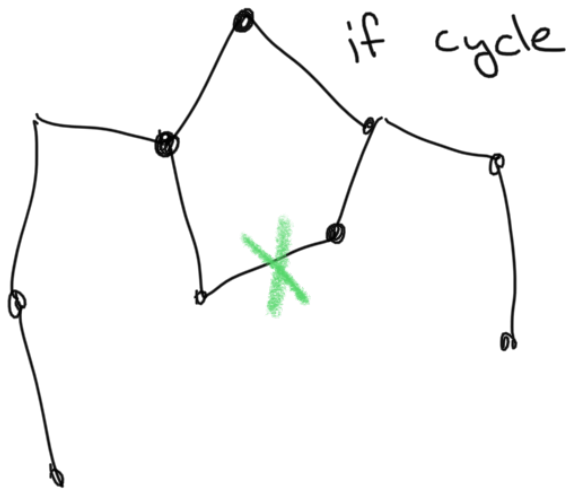
$\Rightarrow$

graph is a tree

$$|V| = n,$$

$$|E| = n-1$$

Pf



→ Remove edge

∴  
all graph is tree

$$|V| = n$$

so  $n-1$  edges

but  $|E| = n-1$  to start with  
so couldn't have deleted edges  
(ie) no cycles to start with

Spanning tree of graph G

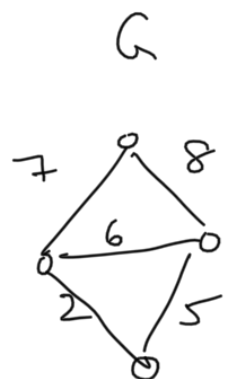
touches all vertices of G using  
subset of edges

Goal Find min. cost spanning tree  
(where edges of G have weights)

Kruskal's  
Algorithm

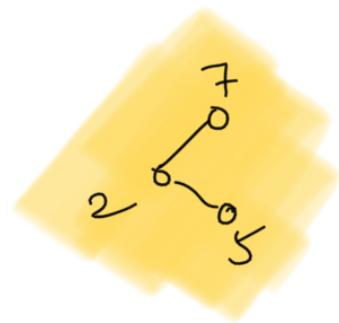
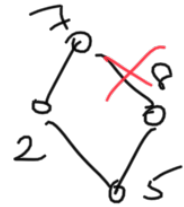
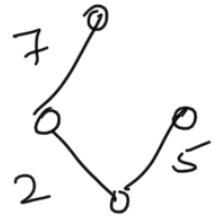
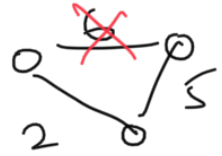
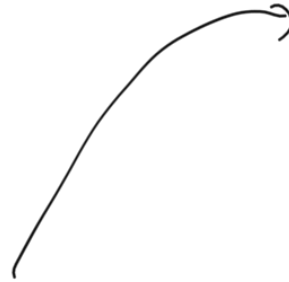
① Sort edges by weight

2 5 6 7 8



⑫ Insert edges in ascending order  
 → if you create cycle, don't add that edge

(ex)



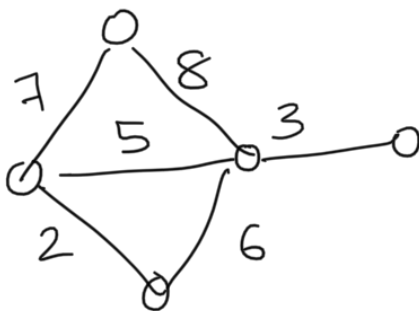
solution

To detect cycles

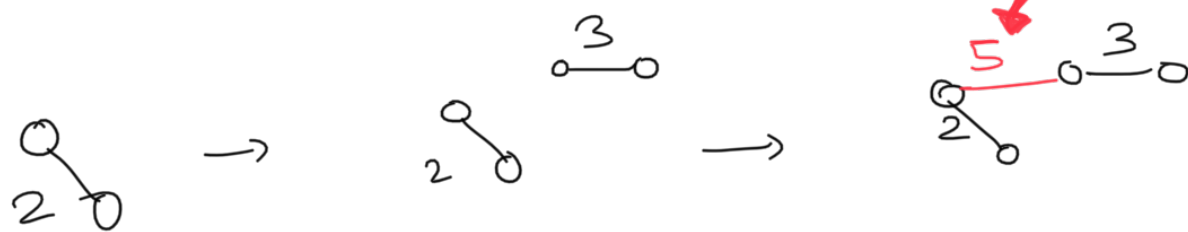
- mark vertices that have been added.
- if new edge is bet marked vertices, it will create cycle



BUT



2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8



it doesn't create cycle

but our  
algo  
will  
mark it  
as  
creating  
cycle



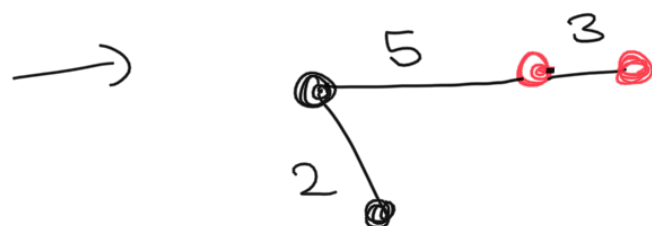
Issue:

this is a  
forest, not a  
tree

Fix: • Use different colours to mark  
each component

• An edge that connects marked  
nodes of different colour can be  
added

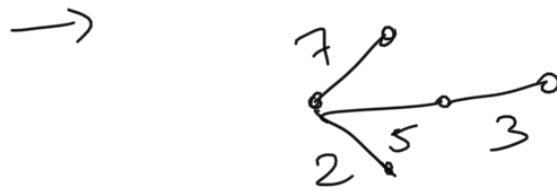
• Then merge the 2 colours into 1  
( $\leadsto$  new single component)



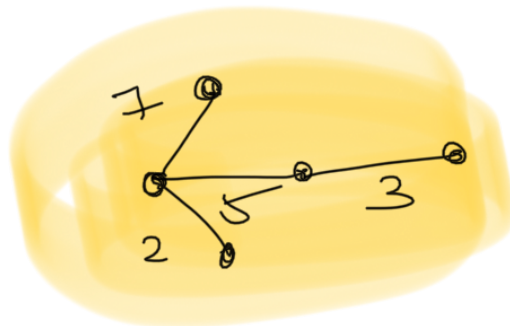
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→ 6 can't be added, as cycle created



→ 8 can't be added as cycle created



What data structure to implement  
Kruskal's algorithm?

"Union find" : maintains a set partitioned  
into connected components

with 2 operations

Find: ① given a vertex, efficiently finds  
which connected component it belongs to

Union: ② given 2 connected components,  
merges them efficiently

next time