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# **Discussion Week 9**

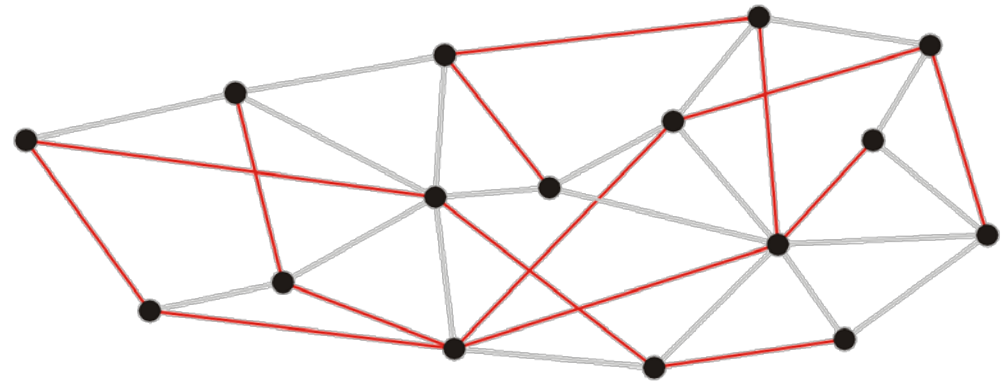
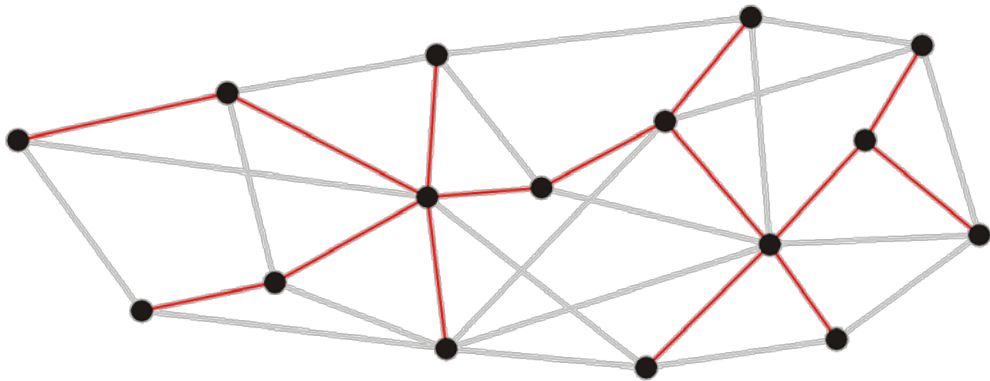
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# **Minimum Spanning Tree**

# Spanning trees

Given a connected graph with  $n$  vertices, a spanning tree is defined as a subgraph that is a tree and includes all the  $n$  vertices

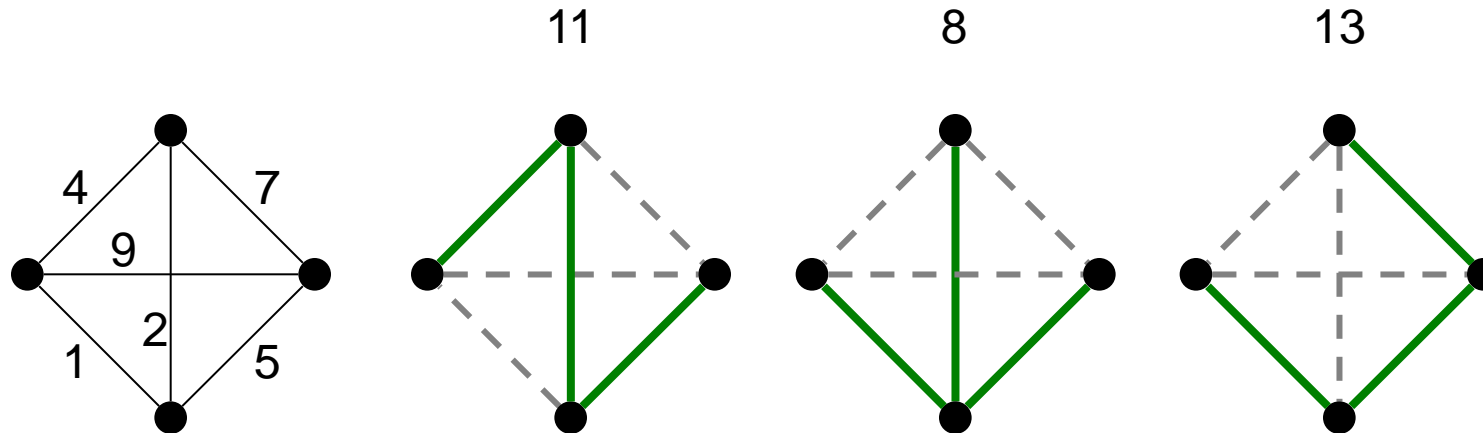
- It has  $n - 1$  edges



A spanning tree is not necessarily unique

# Spanning trees on weighted graphs

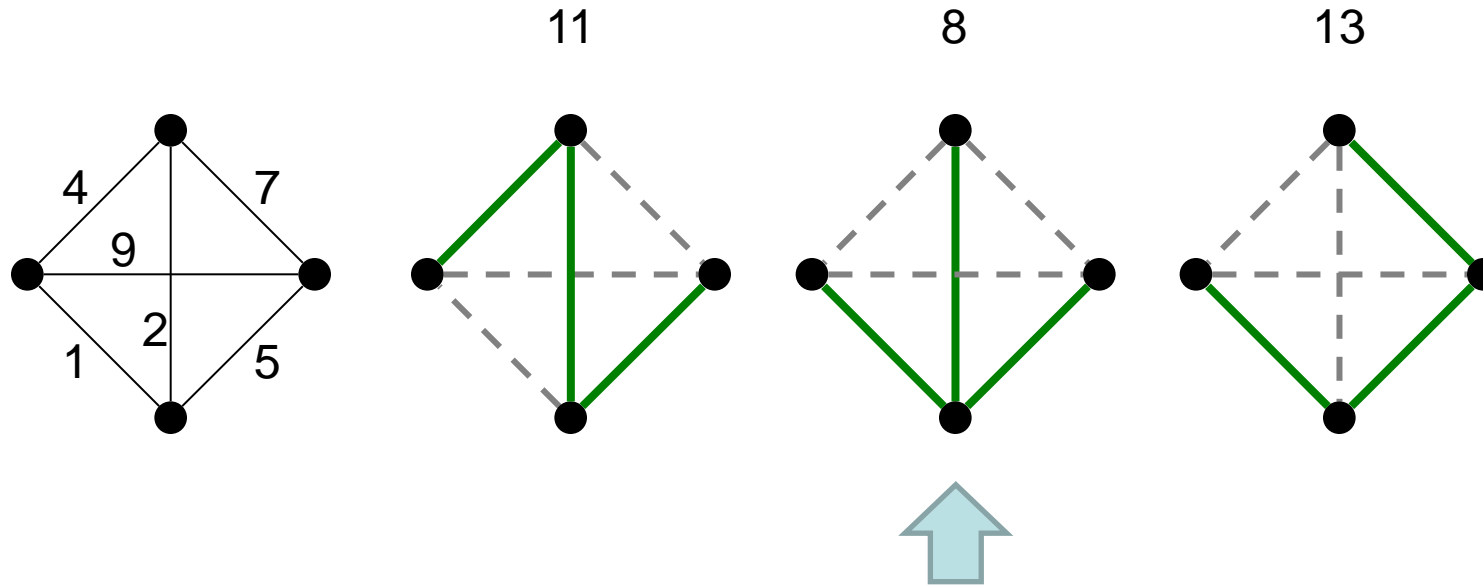
The weight of a spanning tree is the sum of the weights on all the edges which comprise the spanning tree



# Minimum Spanning Trees

Which spanning tree minimizes the weight?

- Such a tree is termed a *minimum spanning tree*



# Minimum Spanning Trees

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Simplifying assumption:

- All edge weights are distinct

This guarantees that given a graph, there is a unique minimum spanning tree.

# Prim's Algorithm

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Prim's algorithm for finding the minimum spanning tree states:

- Start with an arbitrary vertex to form a minimum spanning tree on one vertex
- At each step, add the edge with least weight that connects the current minimum spanning tree to a new vertex
- Continue until we have  $n - 1$  edges and  $n$  vertices

# Prim's Algorithm

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Associate with each vertex three items of data:

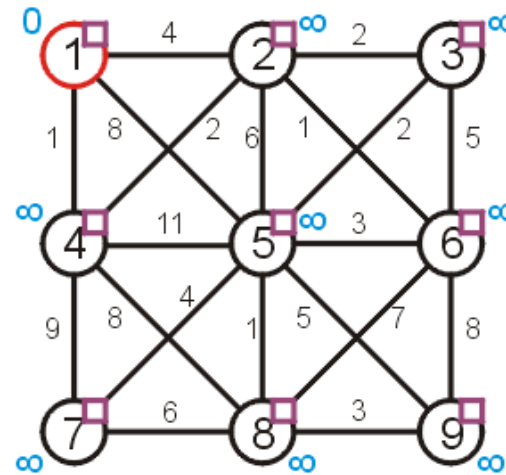
- A Boolean flag indicating if the vertex has been visited,
- The minimum distance (weight of a connecting edge) to the partially constructed tree, and
- A pointer to a vertex which will form the parent node in the resulting tree

Implementation:

- Add three member variables to the vertex class
- Or track three tables



# Prim's Algorithm

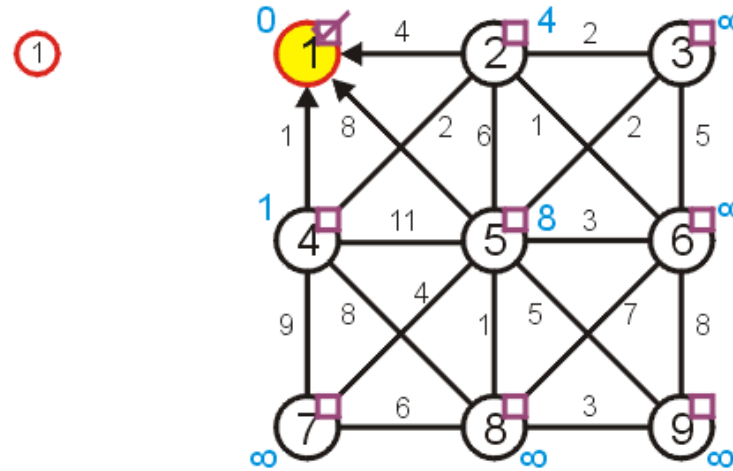


Visited or not

		Distance	Parent
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			

# Prim's Algorithm

Visiting vertex 1, we update vertices 2, 4, and 5

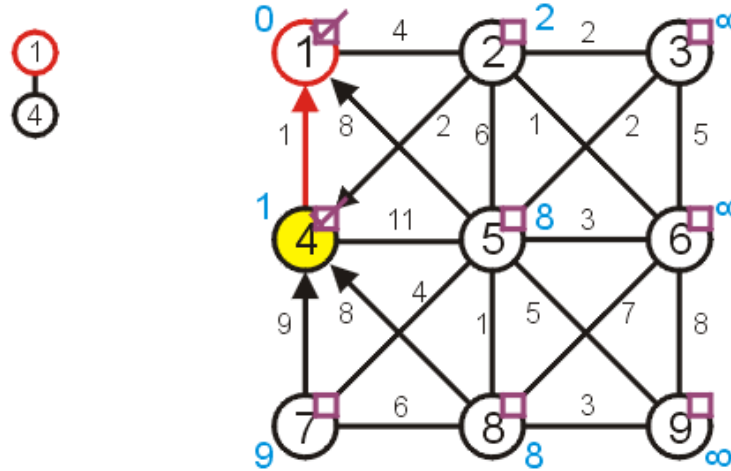


		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	F	4	1
3	F	$\infty$	0
4	F	1	1
5	F	8	1
6	F	$\infty$	0
7	F	$\infty$	0
8	F	$\infty$	0
9	F	$\infty$	0

# Prim's Algorithm

The next unvisited vertex with minimum distance is vertex 4

- Update vertices 2, 7, 8
- Don't update vertex 5

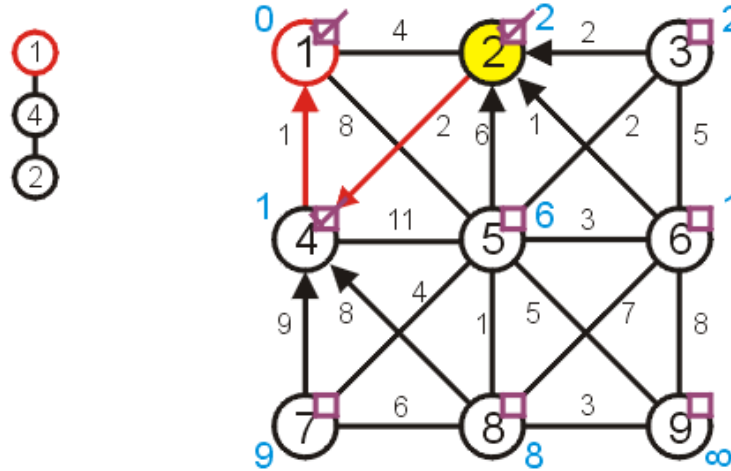


		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	F	2	4
3	F	$\infty$	0
4	T	1	1
5	F	8	1
6	F	$\infty$	0
7	F	9	4
8	F	8	4
9	F	$\infty$	0

# Prim's Algorithm

Next visit vertex 2

- Update 3, 5, and 6

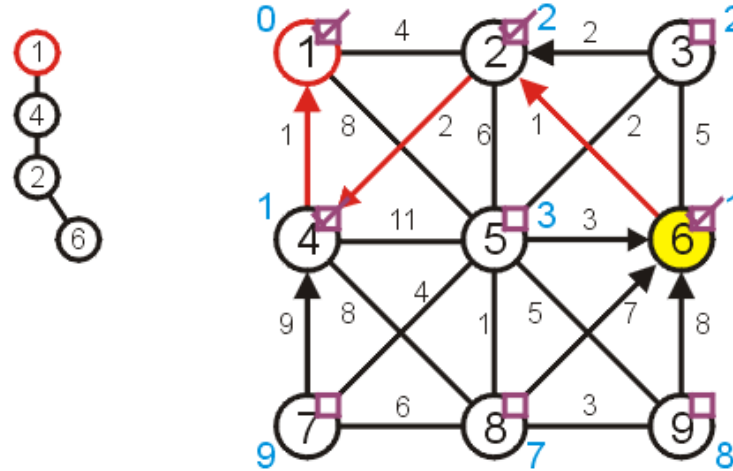


		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	T	2	4
3	F	2	2
4	T	1	1
5	F	6	2
6	F	1	2
7	F	9	4
8	F	8	4
9	F	$\infty$	0

# Prim's Algorithm

Next, we visit vertex 6:

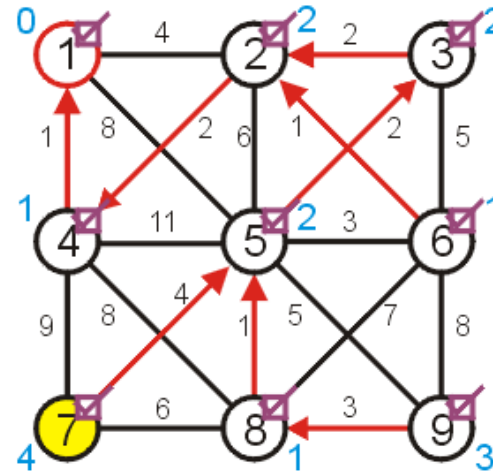
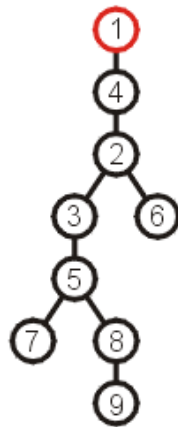
- update vertices 5, 8, and 9



		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	T	2	4
3	F	2	2
4	T	1	1
5	F	3	6
6	T	1	2
7	F	9	4
8	F	7	6
9	F	8	6

# Prim's Algorithm

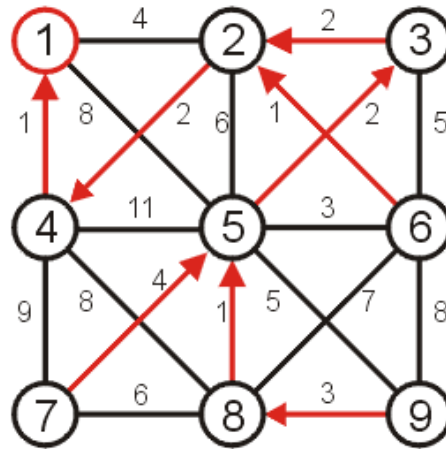
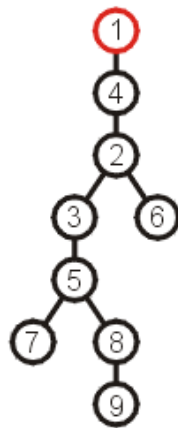
And neither are there any vertices to update when visiting vertex 7



		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	T	2	4
3	T	2	2
4	T	1	1
5	T	2	3
6	T	1	2
7	T	4	5
8	T	1	5
9	T	3	8

# Prim's Algorithm

Using the parent pointers, we can now construct the minimum spanning tree



		Distance	Parent
1	T	0	0
2	T	2	4
3	T	2	2
4	T	1	1
5	T	2	3
6	T	1	2
7	T	4	5
8	T	1	5
9	T	3	8

# Implementation: Prim's Algorithm

Use a priority queue.

- Maintain set of explored nodes  $S$ .
- For each unexplored node  $v$ , maintain attachment cost  $a[v]$  = cost of cheapest edge from  $v$  to a node in  $S$ .
- $O(n^2)$  with an array;  $O(m \log n)$  with a binary heap.

```
Prim(G, c) {  
    foreach (v ∈ V) a[v] ← ∞  
    Initialize an empty priority queue Q  
    foreach (v ∈ V) insert v onto Q  
    Initialize set of explored nodes S ← ∅  
  
    while (Q is not empty) {  
        u ← delete min element from Q  
        S ← S ∪ { u }  
        foreach (edge e = (u, v) incident to u)  
            if ((v ∉ S) and (ce < a[v]))  
                decrease priority a[v] to ce  
    }  
}
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# Kruskal's Algorithm

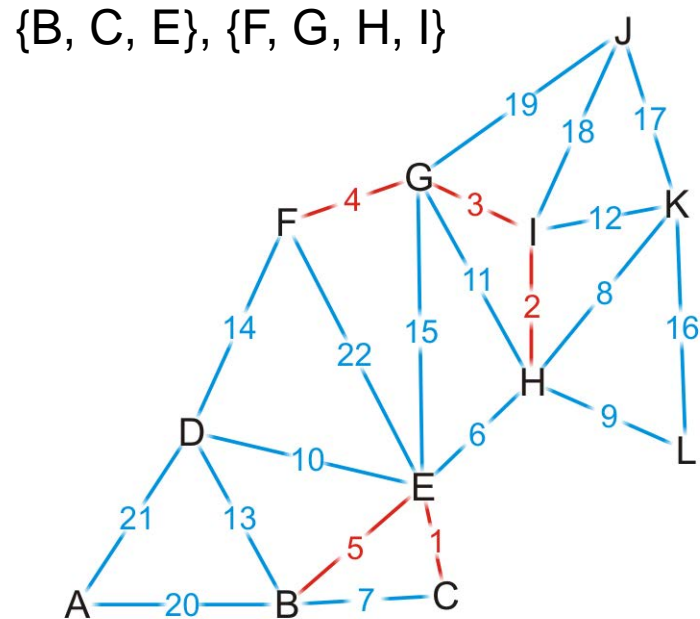
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- Sort the edges by weight
- Go through the edges from least weight to greatest weight
  - add the edges to the spanning tree so long as the addition does not create a cycle
  - Does this edge belong to the minimum spanning tree?
    - Yes! The cut property (consider the subtree connected to one end of the edge as the set  $S$ ).
- Repeatedly add more edges until:
  - $|V| - 1$  edges have been added, then we have a minimum spanning tree
  - Otherwise, if we have gone through all the edges, then we have a forest of minimum spanning trees on all connected sub-graphs

# Analysis

We could use **disjoint sets**

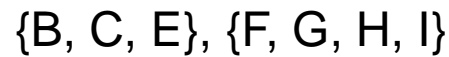
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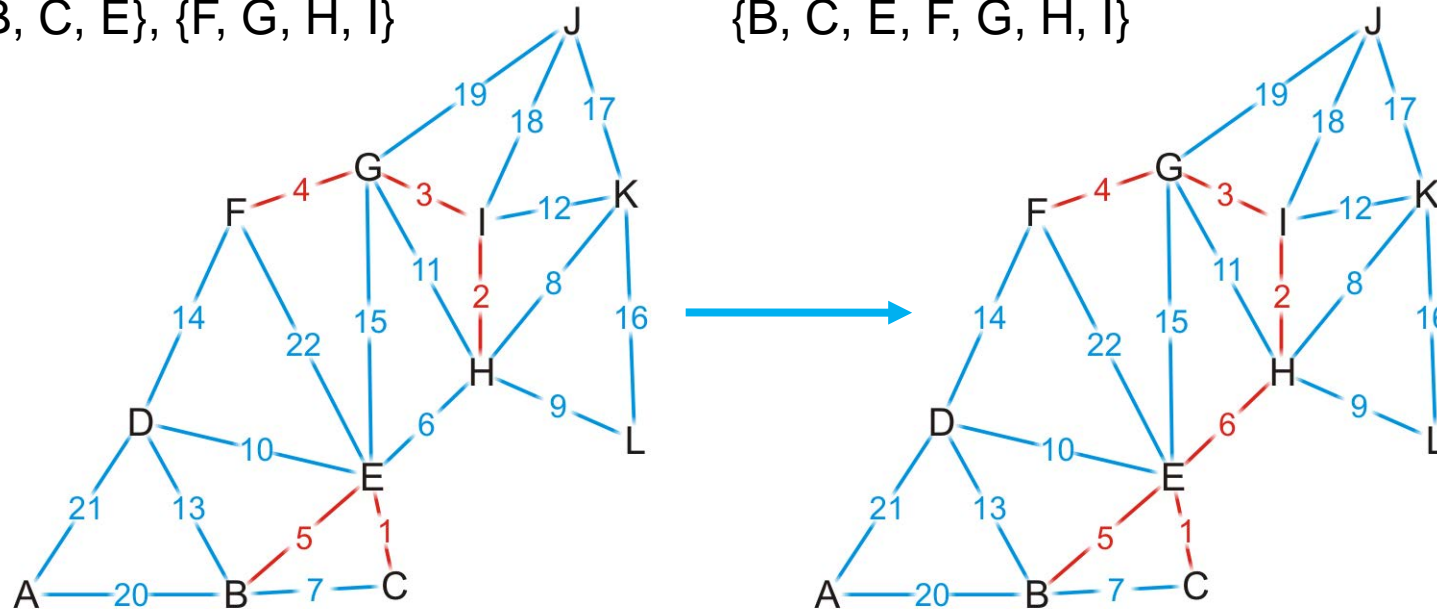
# Analysis

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- Consider edges in the same connected sub-graph as forming a set
  - If the vertices of the next edge are in different sets, take the union of the two sets
- Add edge (E, H)?



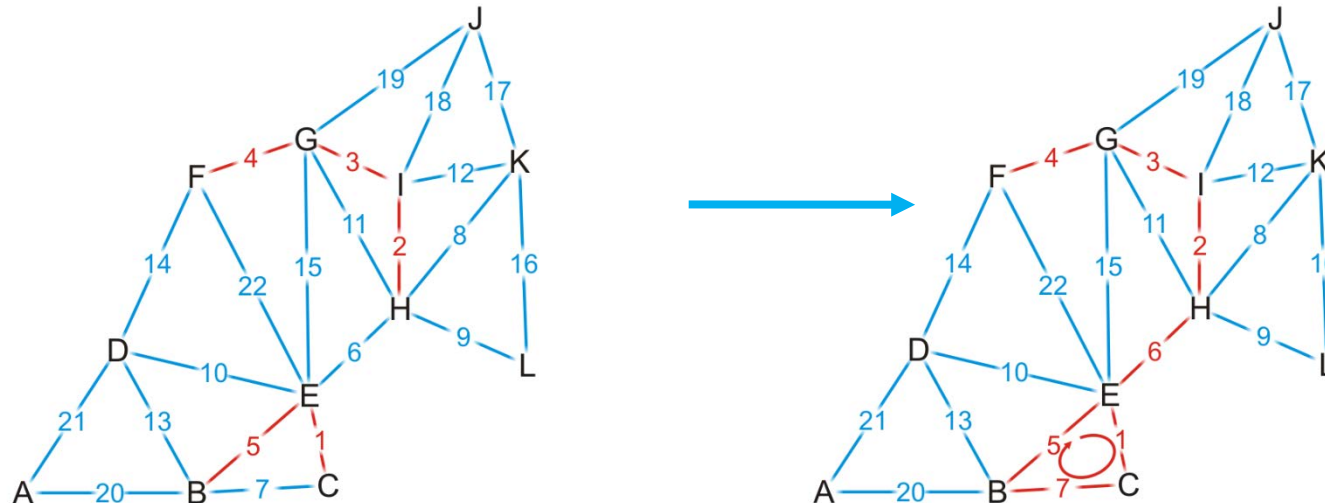
Add edge (E, H)?

$$\{B, C, E, F, G, H, I\}$$


# Analysis

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- Consider edges in the same connected sub-graph as forming a set
- If the vertices of the next edge are in different sets, take the union of the two sets  
Add edge (B, C)?  
 $\{B, C, E\}, \{F, G, H, I\}$
- Do not add an edge if both vertices are in the same set



# Analysis

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The disjoint set data structure has run-time  $O(\alpha(n))$ , which is effectively a constant

Thus, checking and building the minimum spanning tree is now  $O(|E|)$

The dominant time is now the time required to sort the edges, which is  $O(|E| \ln(|E|)) = O(|E| \ln(|V|))$

- If there is an efficient  $\Theta(|E|)$  sorting algorithm, the run-time is then  $\Theta(|E|)$

# Example

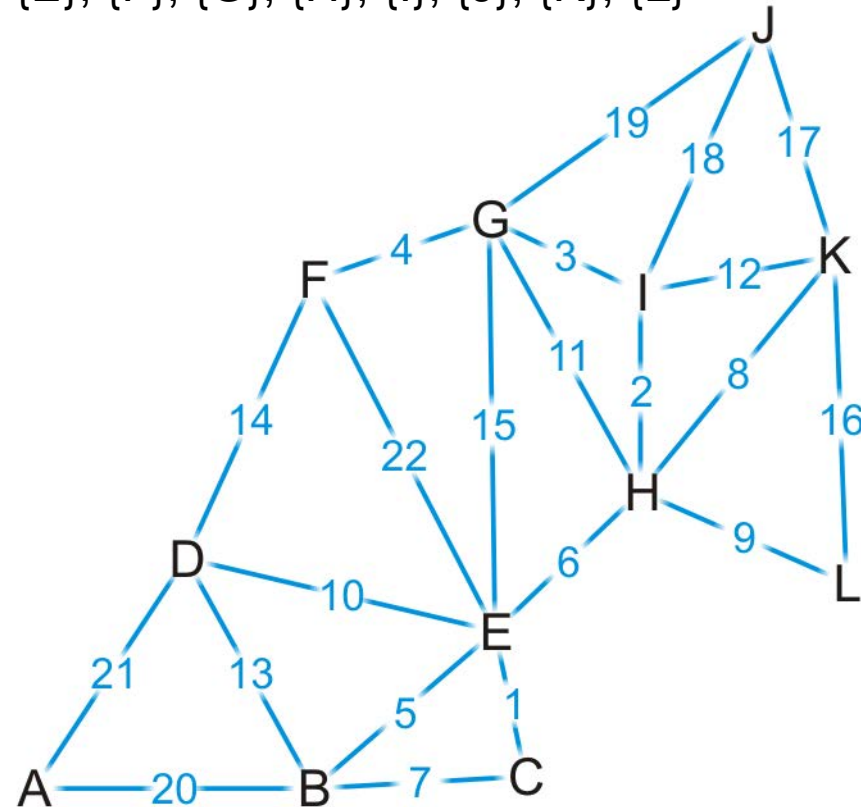
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Going through the example again with disjoint sets

# Example

We start with twelve singletons

{A}, {B}, {C}, {D}, {E}, {F}, {G}, {H}, {I}, {J}, {K}, {L}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

{B, D}

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{J, K}

{J, I}

{J, G}

{A, B}

{A, D}

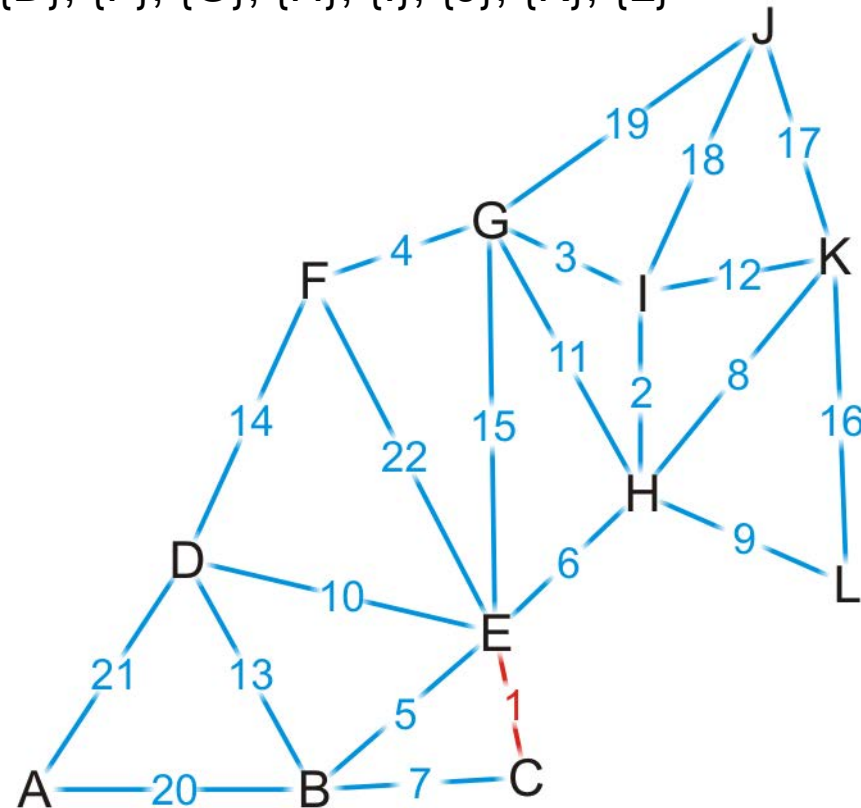
{E, F}

# Example

→ {C, E}

We start by adding edge {C, E}

{A}, {B}, {C, E}, {D}, {F}, {G}, {H}, {I}, {J}, {K}, {L}



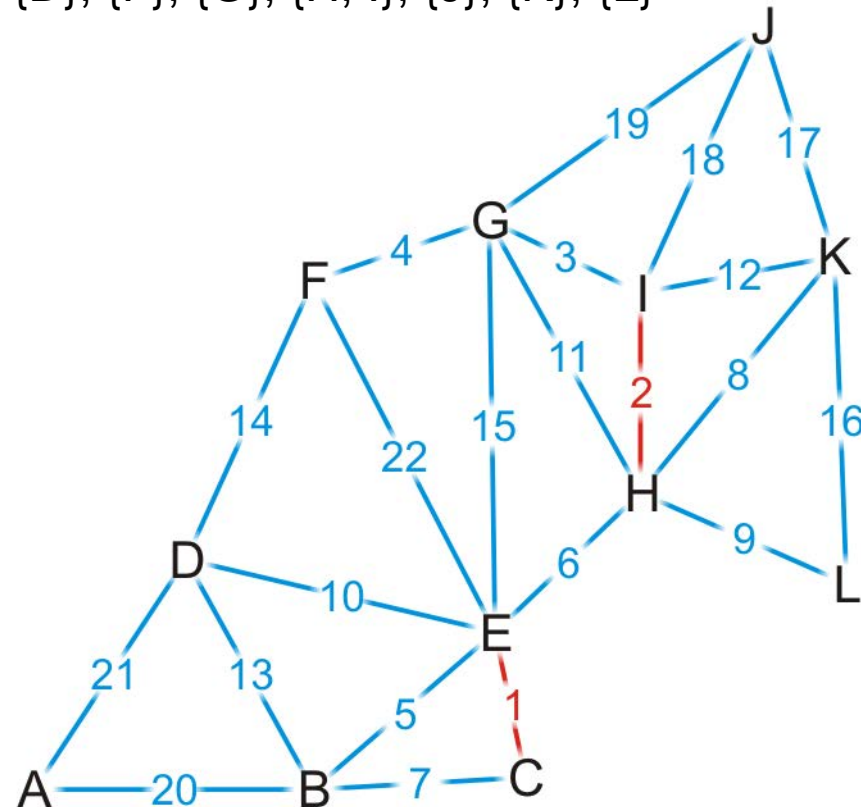
{H, I}  
{G, I}  
{F, G}  
{B, E}  
{E, H}  
{B, C}  
{H, K}  
{H, L}  
{D, E}  
{G, H}  
{I, K}  
{B, D}  
{D, F}  
{E, G}  
{K, L}  
{J, K}  
{J, I}  
{J, G}  
{A, B}  
{A, D}  
{E, F}



# Example

We add edge {H, I}

{A}, {B}, {C, E}, {D}, {F}, {G}, {H, I}, {J}, {K}, {L}



{C, E}

→ {H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

{B, D}

{D, F}

{E, G}

{K, L}

{J, K}

{J, I}

{J, G}

{A, B}

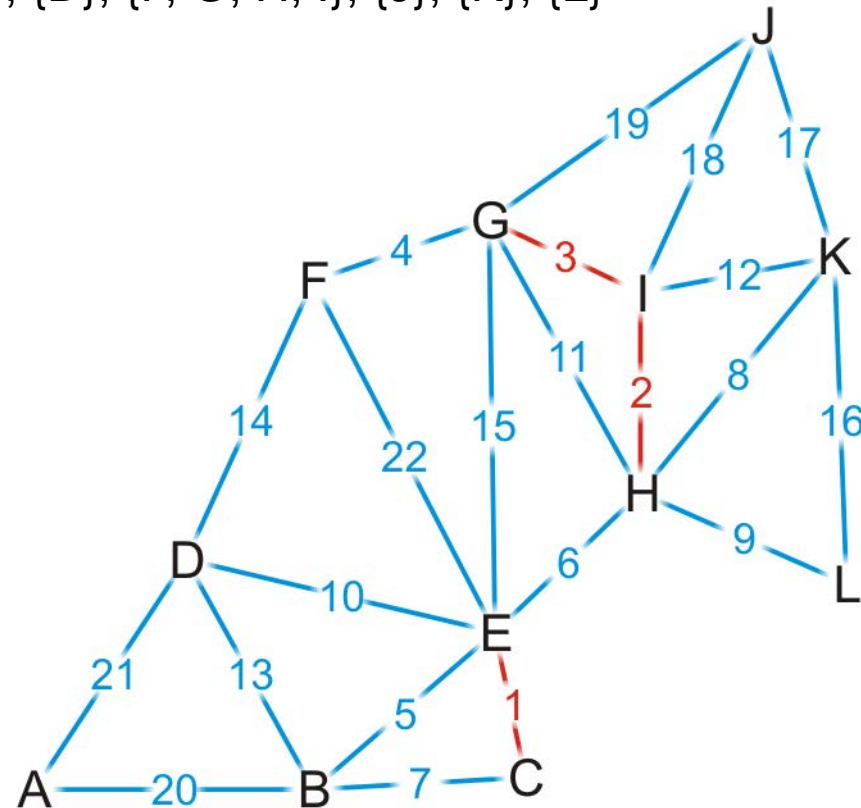
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

Similarly, we add  $\{G, I\}$ ,  $\{F, G\}$ ,  $\{B, E\}$

$\{A\}$ ,  $\{B, C, E\}$ ,  $\{D\}$ ,  $\{F, G, H, I\}$ ,  $\{J\}$ ,  $\{K\}$ ,  $\{L\}$

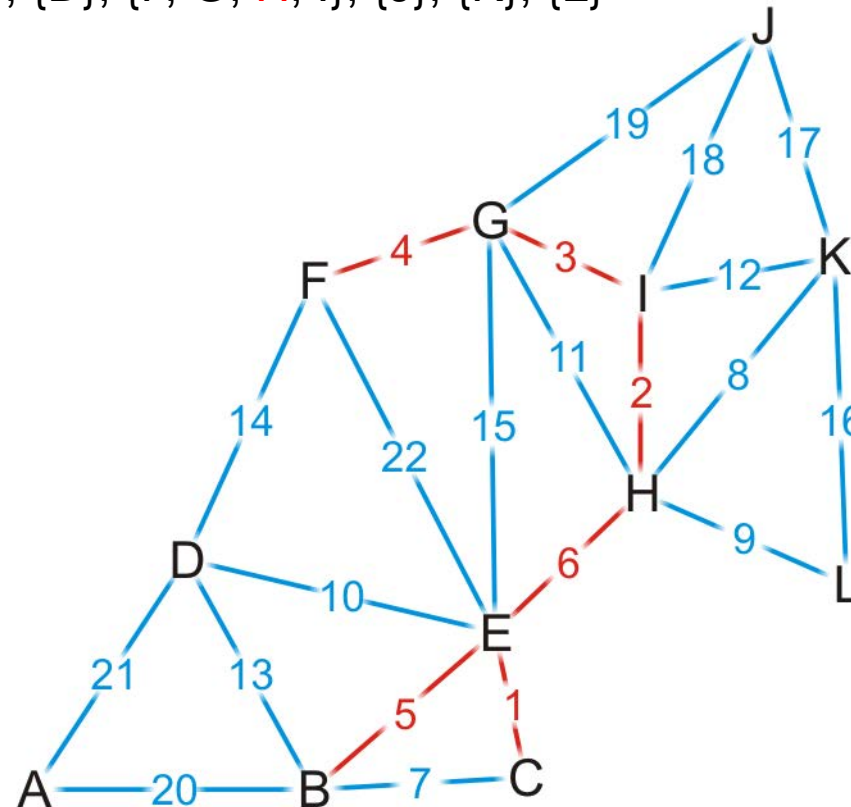


$\{C, E\}$   
 $\{H, I\}$   
 $\rightarrow \{G, I\}$   
 $\rightarrow \{F, G\}$   
 $\rightarrow \{B, E\}$   
 $\{E, H\}$   
 $\{B, C\}$   
 $\{H, K\}$   
 $\{H, L\}$   
 $\{D, E\}$   
 $\{G, H\}$   
 $\{I, K\}$   
 $\{B, D\}$   
 $\{D, F\}$   
 $\{E, G\}$   
 $\{K, L\}$   
 $\{J, K\}$   
 $\{J, I\}$   
 $\{J, G\}$   
 $\{A, B\}$   
 $\{A, D\}$   
 $\{E, F\}$

# Example

The vertices of  $\{E, H\}$  are in different sets

{A}, {B, C, E}, {D}, {F, G, H, I}, {J}, {K}, {L}

 $\{C, E\}$  $\{H, I\}$  $\{G, I\}$  $\{F, G\}$ 

$\{B, E\}$

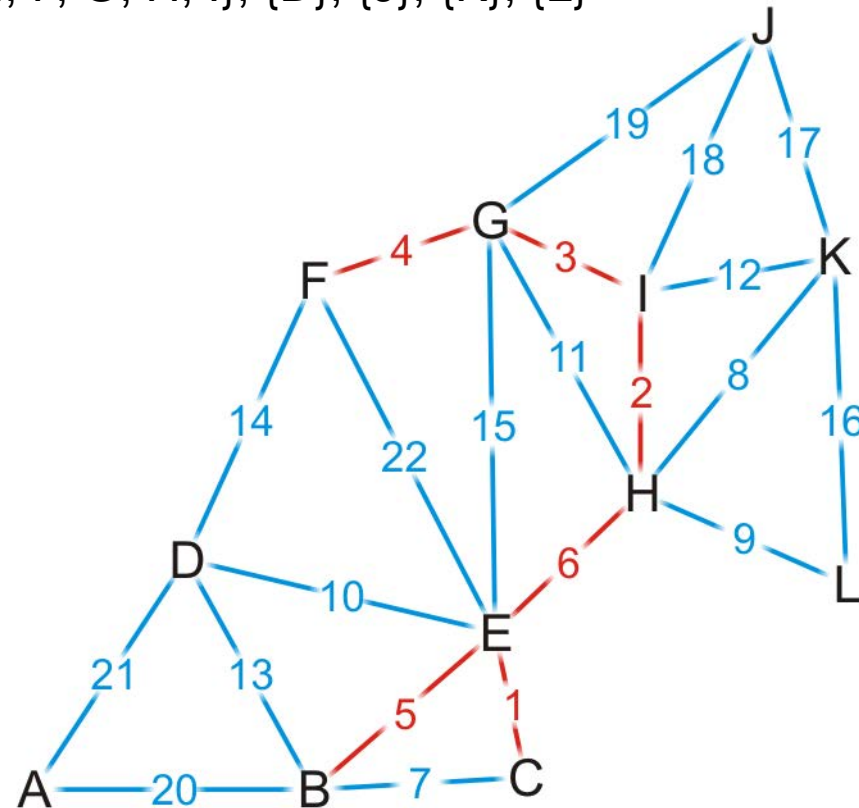
→ {E, H}

 $\{B, C\}$ 
$$\{H, K\}$$
 $\{H, L\}$ 
$$\{D, E\}$$
$$\{G, H\}$$
 $\{I, K\}$  $\{B, D\}$  $\{D, F\}$ 
$$\{E, G\}$$
 $\{K, L\}$  $\{J, K\}$  $\{J, I\}$  $\{J, G\}$  $\{A, B\}$  $\{A, D\}$ 
$$\{E, F\}$$

# Example

Adding edge {E, H} creates a larger union

{A}, {B, C, E, F, G, H, I}, {D}, {J}, {K}, {L}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

→ {E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

{B, D}

{D, F}

{E, G}

{K, L}

{J, K}

{J, I}

{J, G}

{A, B}

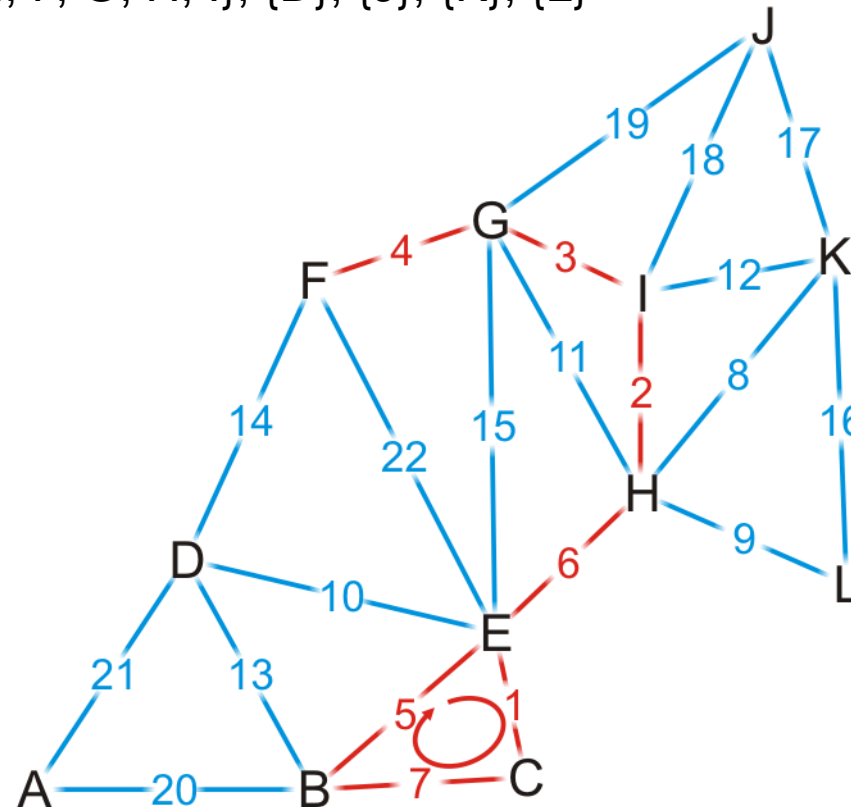
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

We try adding {B, C}, but it creates a cycle

{A}, {B, C, E, F, G, H, I}, {D}, {J}, {K}, {L}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

→ {B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

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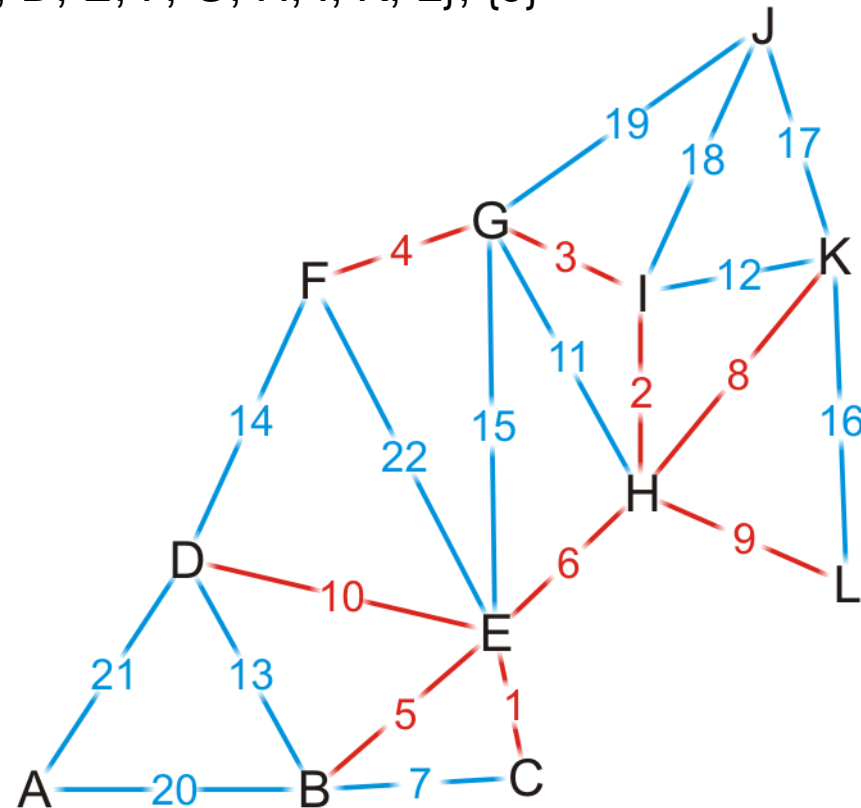
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

We add edge  $\{H, K\}$ ,  $\{H, L\}$  and  $\{D, E\}$

$\{A\}$ ,  $\{B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L\}$ ,  $\{J\}$



$\{C, E\}$

$\{H, I\}$

$\{G, I\}$

$\{F, G\}$

$\{B, E\}$

$\{E, H\}$

$\{B, C\}$

→  $\{H, K\}$

→  $\{H, L\}$

→  $\{D, E\}$

$\{G, H\}$

$\{I, K\}$

$\{B, D\}$

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$\{J, K\}$

$\{J, I\}$

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$\{A, B\}$

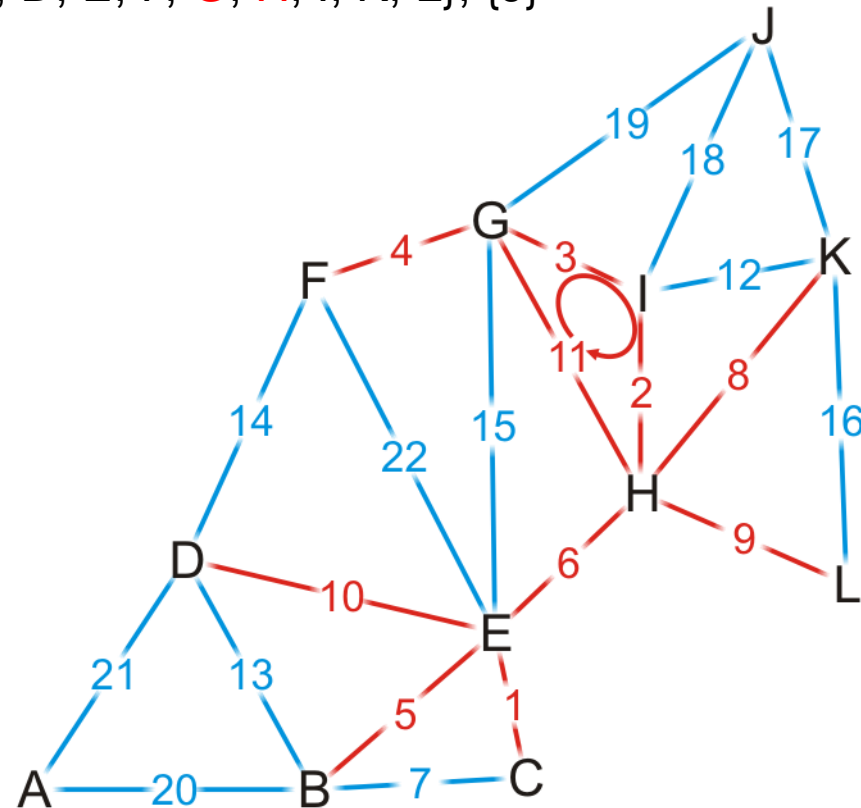
$\{A, D\}$

$\{E, F\}$

# Example

Both G and H are in the same set

{A}, {B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L}, {J}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

→ {G, H}

{I, K}

{B, D}

{D, F}

{E, G}

{K, L}

{J, K}

{J, I}

{J, G}

{A, B}

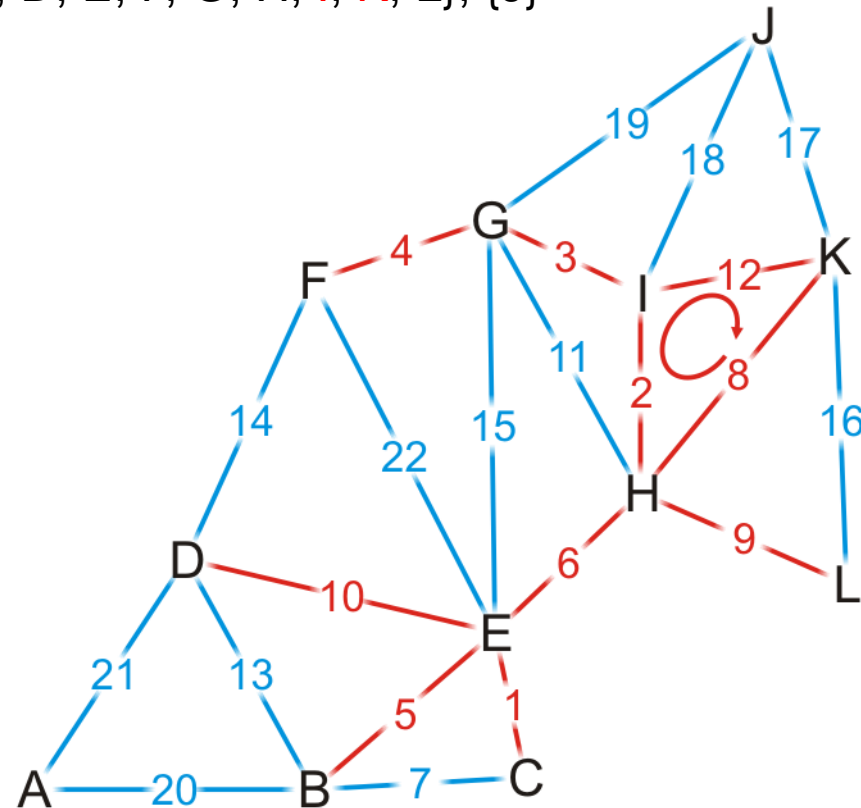
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

Both {I, K} are in the same set

{A}, {B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L}, {J}



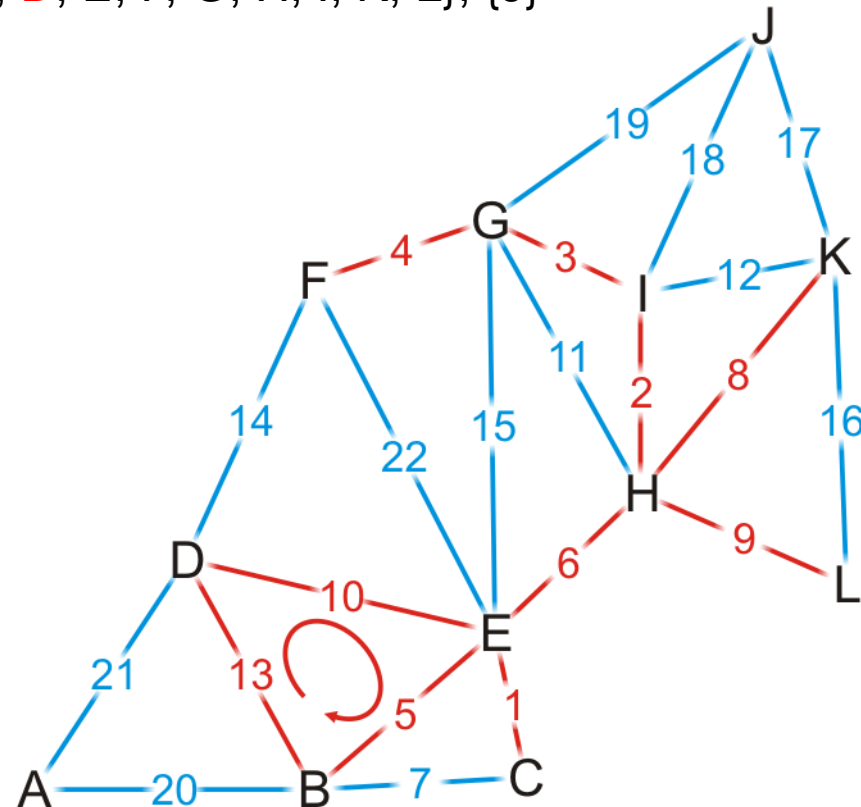
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{G, I}  
{F, G}  
{B, E}  
{E, H}  
{B, C}  
{H, K}  
{H, L}  
{D, E}  
{G, H}  
→ {I, K}  
{B, D}  
{D, F}  
{E, G}  
{K, L}  
{J, K}  
{J, I}  
{J, G}  
{A, B}  
{A, D}  
{E, F}



# Example

Both {B, D} are in the same set

{A}, {B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L}, {J}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

→ {B, D}

{D, F}

{E, G}

{K, L}

{J, K}

{J, I}

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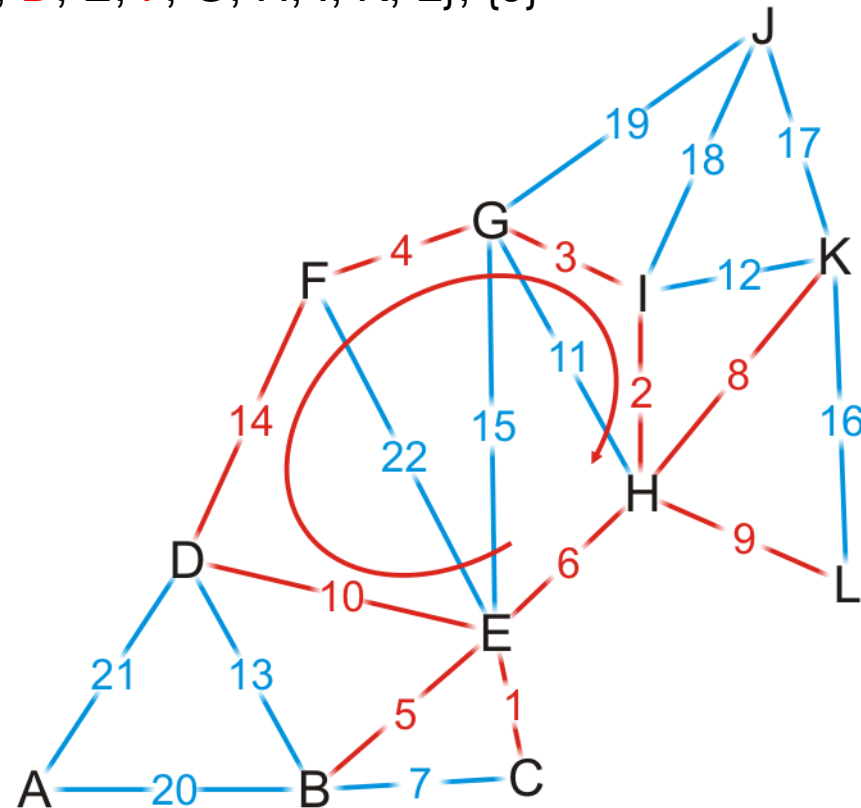
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

Both {D, F} are in the same set

{A}, {B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L}, {J}



{C, E}

{H, I}

{G, I}

{F, G}

{B, E}

{E, H}

{B, C}

{H, K}

{H, L}

{D, E}

{G, H}

{I, K}

{B, D}

→ {D, F}

{E, G}

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{J, I}

{J, G}

{A, B}

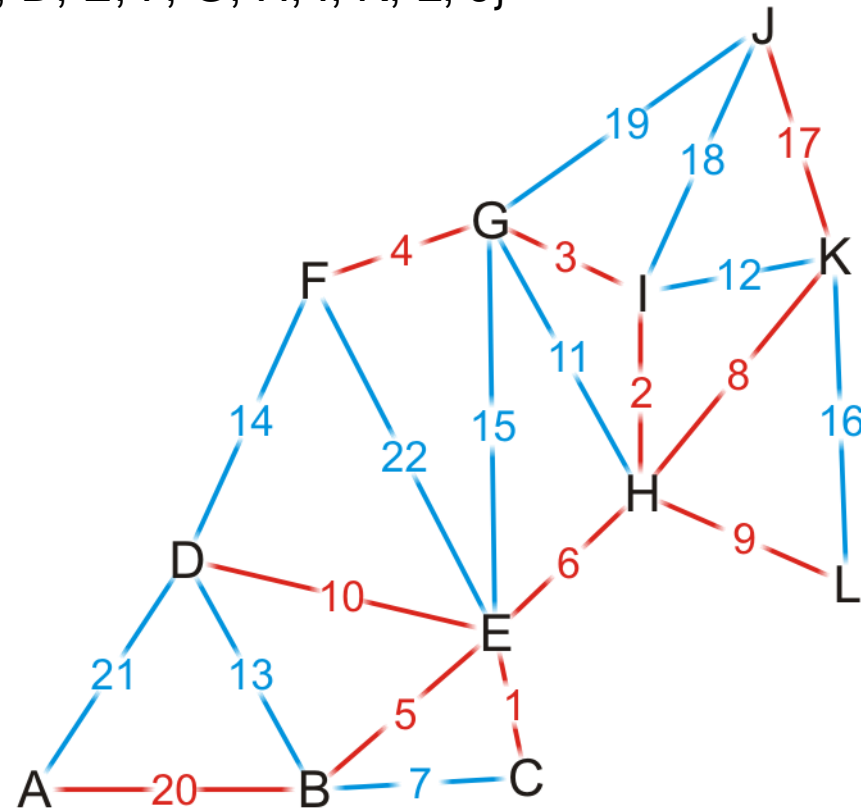
{A, D}

{E, F}

# Example

We end when there is only one set, having added (A, B)

{A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, K, L, J}



{C, E}  
{H, I}  
{G, I}  
{F, G}  
{B, E}  
{E, H}  
{B, C}  
{H, K}  
{H, L}  
{D, E}  
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{E, G}  
{K, L}  
{J, K}  
{J, I}  
{J, G}  
→ {A, B}  
{A, D}  
{E, F}

# Implementation: Kruskal's Algorithm

Use the union-find data structure.

- Build set  $T$  of edges in the MST.
- Maintain set for each connected component.
- $O(m \log m)$  for sorting.

```
Kruskal( $G, c$ ) {  
    Sort edges weights so that  $c_1 \leq c_2 \leq \dots \leq c_m$ .  
     $T \leftarrow \emptyset$   
  
    foreach ( $u \in V$ ) make a set containing singleton  $u$   
  
    for  $i = 1$  to  $m$       are  $u$  and  $v$  in different connected components?  
        ( $u, v$ ) =  $e_i$       ↙  
        if ( $u$  and  $v$  are in different sets) {  
             $T \leftarrow T \cup \{e_i\}$   
            merge the sets containing  $u$  and  $v$   
        }  
    return  $T$       ↙ merge two components  
}
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# Topological Sort

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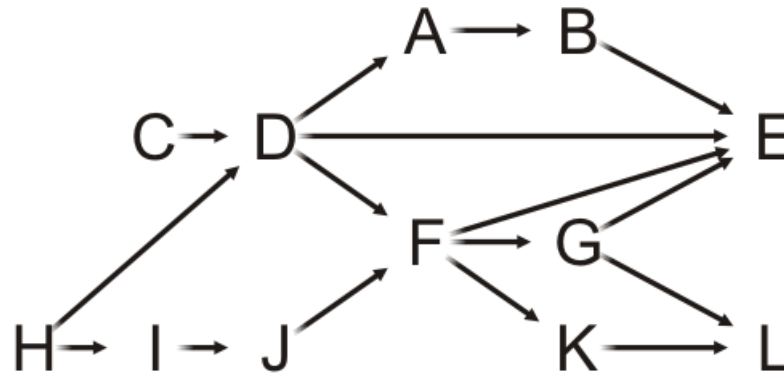
## Idea:

- Given a DAG  $V$ , iterate:
  - Find a vertex  $v$  in  $V$  with in-degree zero
  - Let  $v$  be the next vertex in the topological sort
  - Continue iterating with the vertex-induced sub-graph  $V \setminus \{v\}$

# Example

With the previous example, we initialize:

- The array of in-degrees
- The queue



A	1
B	1
C	0
D	2
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

Queue: 

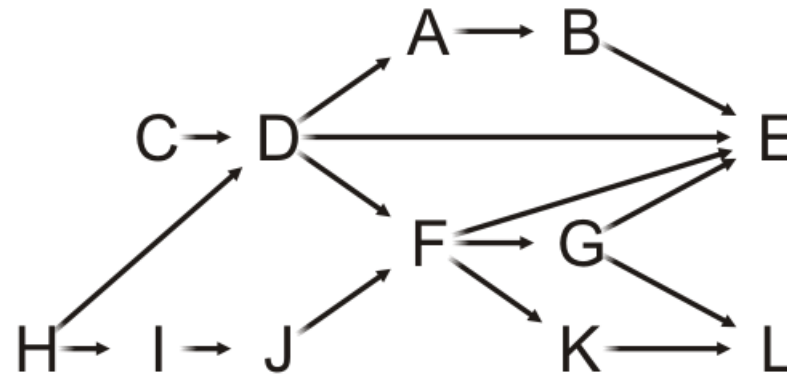
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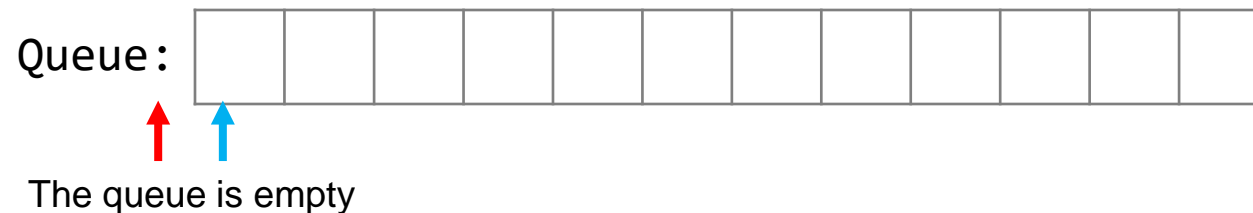
The queue is empty

# Example

Stepping through the array, push all source vertices into the queue



A	1
B	1
C	0
D	2
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2



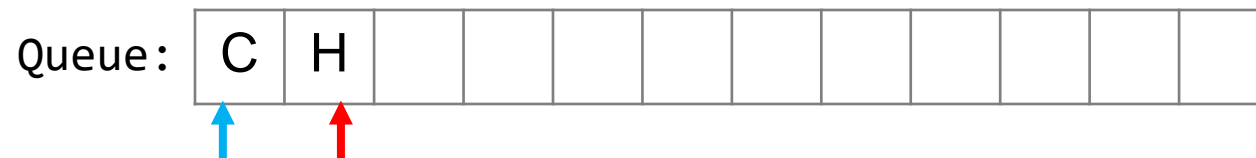
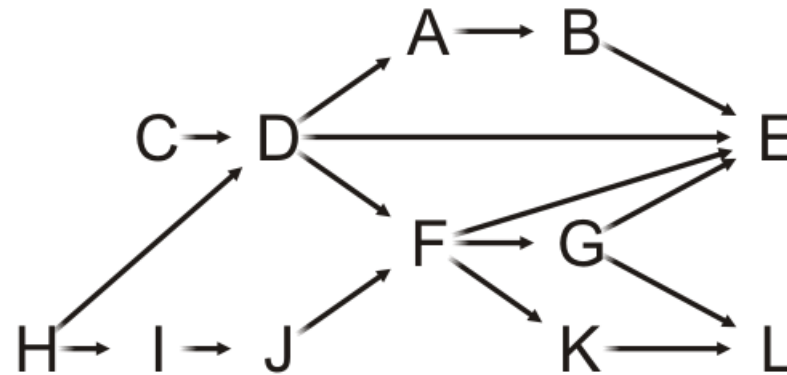


A	1	
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# Example

Pop the front of the queue

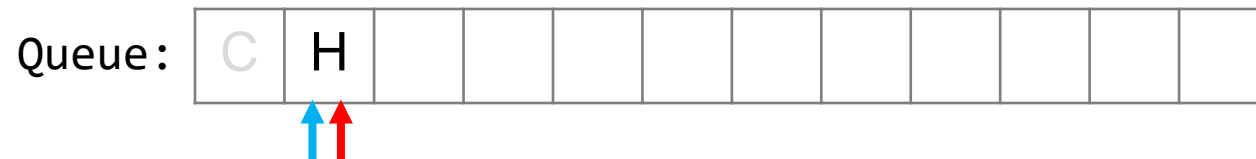
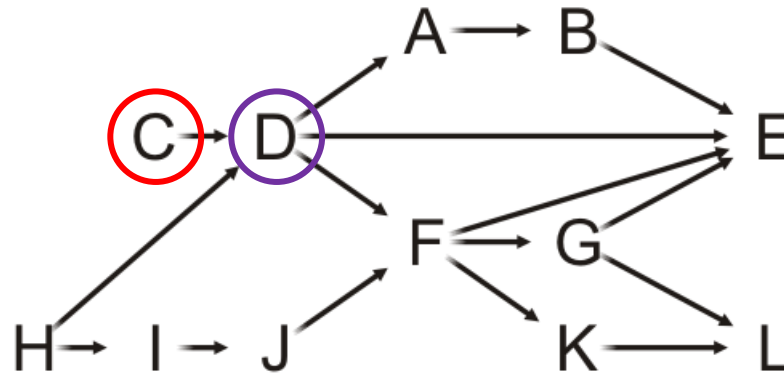


A	1
B	1
C	0
D	2
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

Pop the front of the queue

- C has one neighbor: D

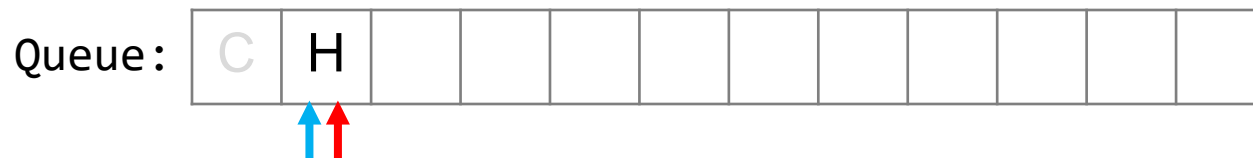
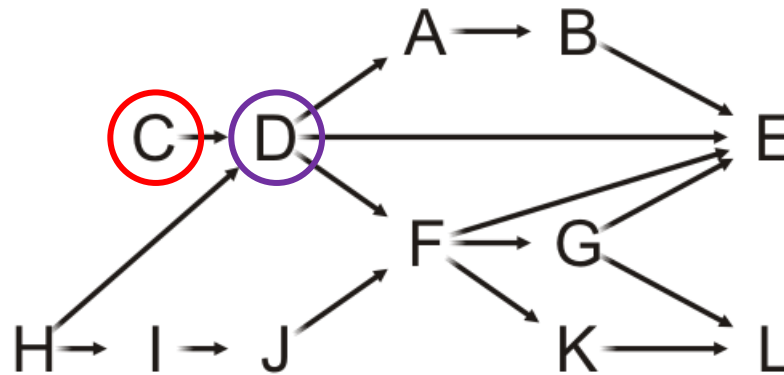


A	1
B	1
C	0
D	2
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

## Pop the front of the queue

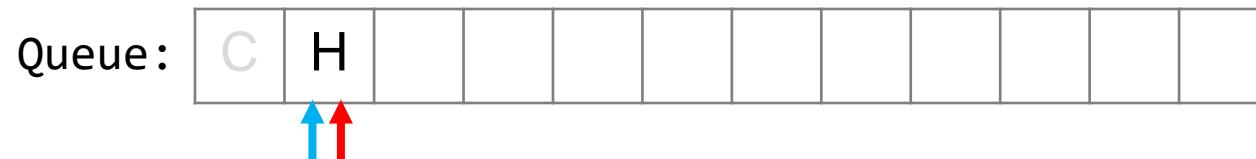
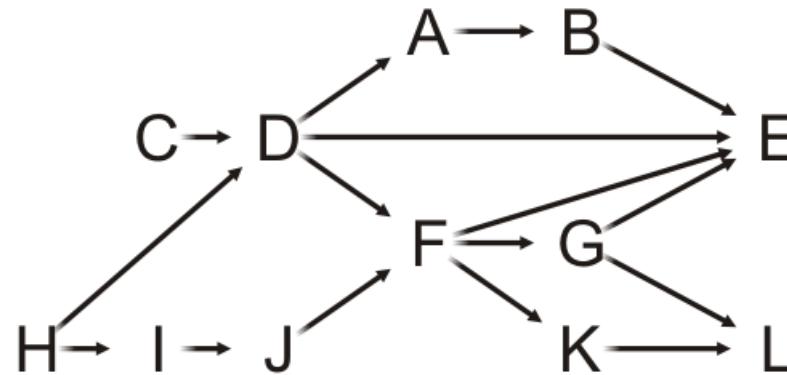
- C has one neighbor: D
- Decrement its in-degree



A	1
B	1
C	0
D	1
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

Pop the front of the queue

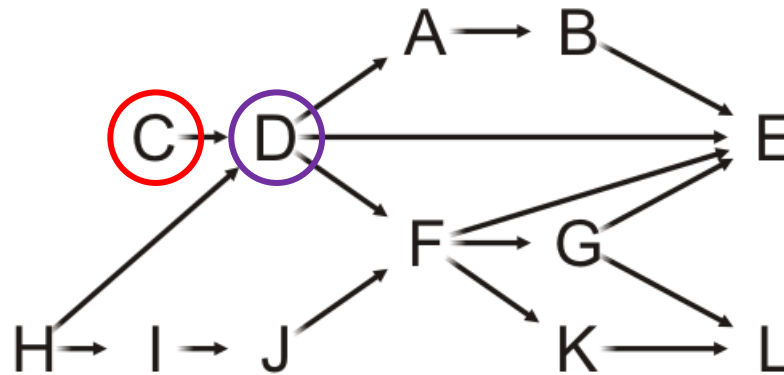


A	1
B	1
C	0
D	1
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

## Pop the front of the queue

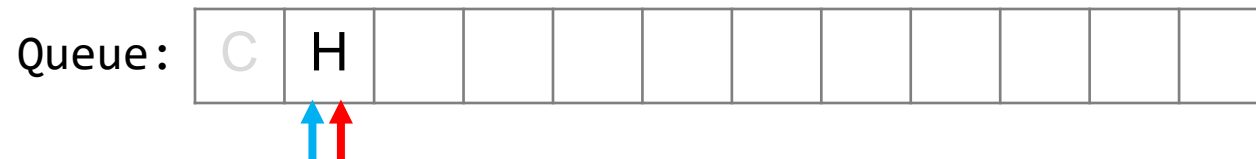
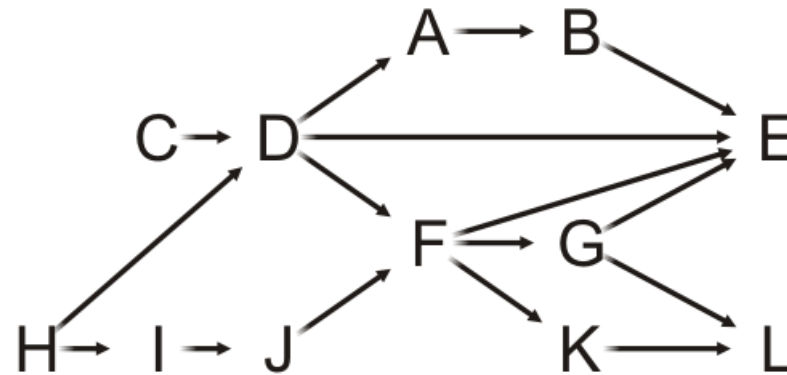
- C has one neighbor: D
- Decrement its in-degree



A	1
B	1
C	0
D	1
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

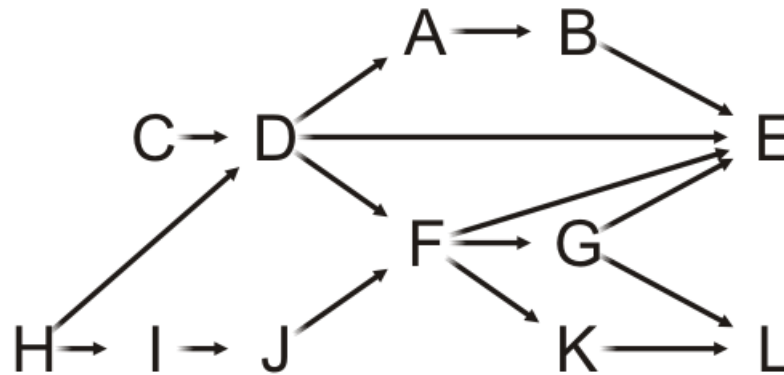
Pop the front of the queue



A	1
B	1
C	0
D	1
E	4
F	2
G	1
H	0
I	1
J	1
K	1
L	2

# Example

The array used for the queue stores the topological sort



C	H	D	I	A	J	B	F	G	K	E	L
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A	0
B	0
C	0
D	0
E	0
F	0
G	0
H	0
I	0
J	0
K	0
L	0

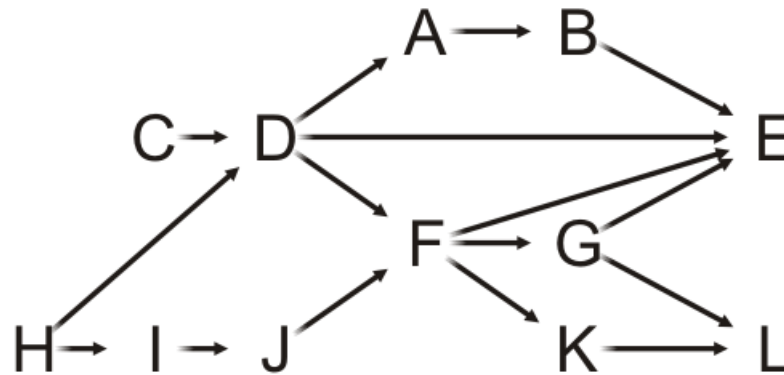


# Example

The array used for the queue stores the topological sort

- Note the difference in order from our previous sort?

C, H, D, A, B, I, J, F, G, E, K, L

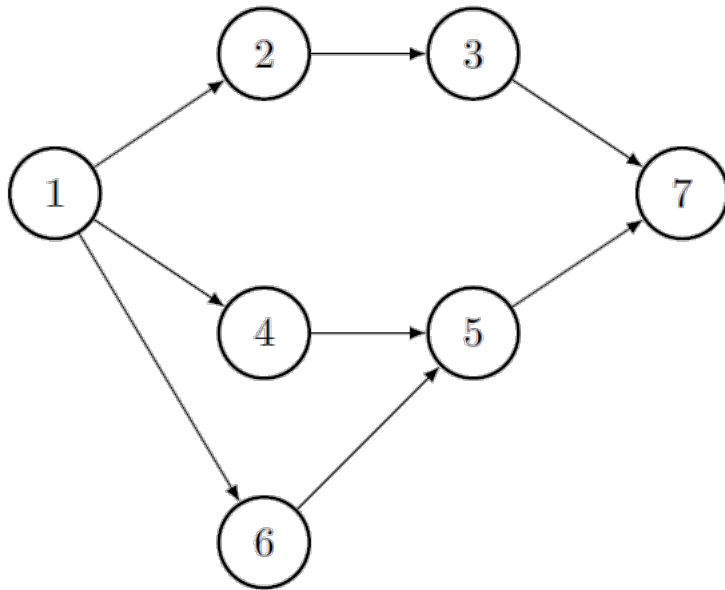


C	H	D	I	A	J	B	F	G	K	E	L
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A	0
B	0
C	0
D	0
E	0
F	0
G	0
H	0
I	0
J	0
K	0
L	0

# Question

- Count the number of possible topological sorts for the following graph. Show your detailed counting method. Do NOT enumerate.



## Answer:

Consider this question as placing 5 balls into 5 boxes. We first place 2, 3; and we have  $C_5^2 = 10$  ways to do this.

Then the rest of the boxes will be given to 4, 5, 6; the order is either 4, 6, 5 or 6, 4, 5.