



AAI2007 Introduction to Algorithms

Week 13: Greedy Algorithms

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Schedule

Tentative Schedule

수업일	내용
9/4	Course Introduction, Algorithm Basic, Level Test
9/11	Order of Complexity, List
9/18	Stack, Queue
9/25	건학 기념일
10/2	Tree, Binary Search Tree (BST)
10/9	Priority Queue, Heap, Heap Sort 한글날
10/16	Hash Table, Searching Revisited
10/23	Graph Basic
10/30	Midterm Exam
11/6	Graph Algorithms
11/13	Sorting
11/20	Dynamic Programming (1)
11/27	Dynamic Programming (2)
12/4	Greedy Algorithms
12/11	Algorithm Practice (Google software engineer), "구글 소프트웨어 엔지니어가 설명해주는 알고리즘 공부 팁", 국제관 9B217
12/18	Final Exam

Final Notice

- Time: 12/18, Wednesday 6pm~9pm
 - Allow to leave from around 7pm (after 1 hour from starting)
- Location: same with midterm
- Scope: All
- Midterm environment: Python idle
 - Will be explained by TA
- Closed book, no Internet, no cell phone

Schedule

Final Notice

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Schedule

Check Your Scores

- Time: 12/20, Friday 1pm~4pm
 - Last chance
- Location: 국제관 9B303

In This Lecture

Outline

1. Greedy Approach
2. Coin Change Problem
3. Activity Selection Problem
4. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) Problem
5. Single-Source Shortest Path Problem

01. Greedy Approach

Optimization Problem

- An optimization problem
 - Given a problem instance, a set of **constraints** and an **objective function**
 - Find a **feasible** solution for the given instance for which the objective function has an optimal value
 - Either maximum or minimum depending on the problem being solved
- A feasible solution satisfies the problem's constraints
- The constraints specify the limitations on the required solutions.
 - Example (knapsack problem)
 - Require that the items in the knapsack will not exceed a given weight

01. Greedy Approach

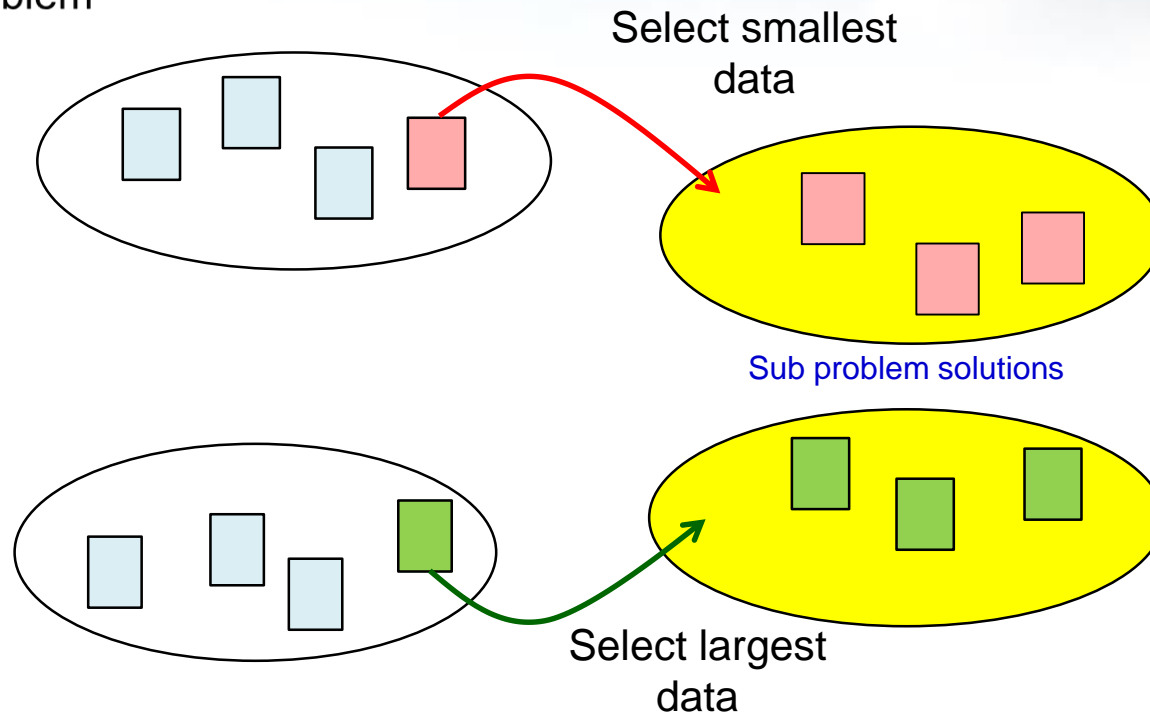
Greedy

- Greedy algorithms make **good local choices** in the hope that they result in an optimal solution
 - They result in feasible solutions
 - satisfying the constraints
 - Not necessarily an optimal solution
- A proof is needed to show that the algorithm finds an optimal solution
- A counter example shows that the greedy algorithm does not provide an optimal solution

01. Greedy Approach

Greedy

- A short-sighted selection
 - Finds a optimal solution for a sub-problem
 - And then such sub-problems result in the final optimal solution for the original problem



01. Greedy Approach

A Pseudo Code

```
Greedy (Candidate){  
  solution= new Set( );  
  while (Candidate.isNotEmpty()) {  
    next = Candidate.select(); //use selection criteria,  
    //remove from Candidate and return value  
    if (solution.isFeasible(next)) //constraints satisfied  
      solution.union(next);  
    if (solution.solves()) return solution  
  }  
  //No more candidates and no solution  
  return null  
}
```

- select() chooses a candidate based on a local selection criteria, removes it from Candidate, and returns its value
- isFeasible() checks whether adding the selected value to the current solution can result in a feasible solution (no constraints are violated)
- solves() checks whether the problem is solved



Coin Change Problem

02. Coin Change Problem

Problem

- Problem
 - Return correct change using a minimum number of coins
 - a.k.a cashier's algorithm
- Greedy choice
 - Coin with highest coin value
- Example of American money
 - (quarter: 25 cent, dime: 10 cent, nickel: 5 cent, penny: 1 cent)
 - The amount owed = 37 cent
 - The change is: 1 quarter -> 1 dime -> 2 pennies

02. Coin Change Problem

Algorithm

```
Input: Set of coins of different denominations, amount-owed
change = {}
while (more coin-sizes && valueof(change)<amount-owed)
    Choose the largest remaining coin-size // Selection
    // feasibility check
    while (adding the coin does not make the valueof(change) exceed the amount-owed) then
        add coin to change
    //check if solved
    if (valueof(change) equals amount-owed)
        return change
    else delete coin-size
return "failed to compute change"
```

02. Coin Change Problem

Pseudo Code

CoinChange for Korean won (500 won, 100 won, 50 won, 10 won, 1 won)

```
1. change=W, n500=n100=n50=n10=n1=0
2. while ( change ≥ 500 )
    change = change-500, n500++    // increase the count of 500 won
3. while ( change ≥ 100 )
    change = change-100, n100++    // increase the count of 100 won
4. while ( change ≥ 50 )
    change = change-50, n50++      // increase the count of 50 won
5. while ( change ≥ 10 )
    change = change-10, n10++      // increase the count of 10 won
6. while ( change ≥ 1 )
    change = change-1, n1++        // increase the count of 1 won
7. return (n500+n100+n50+n10+n1)
```

*** Known as optimal under a certain condition**



Activity Selection Problem

03. Activity Selection Problem

Problem

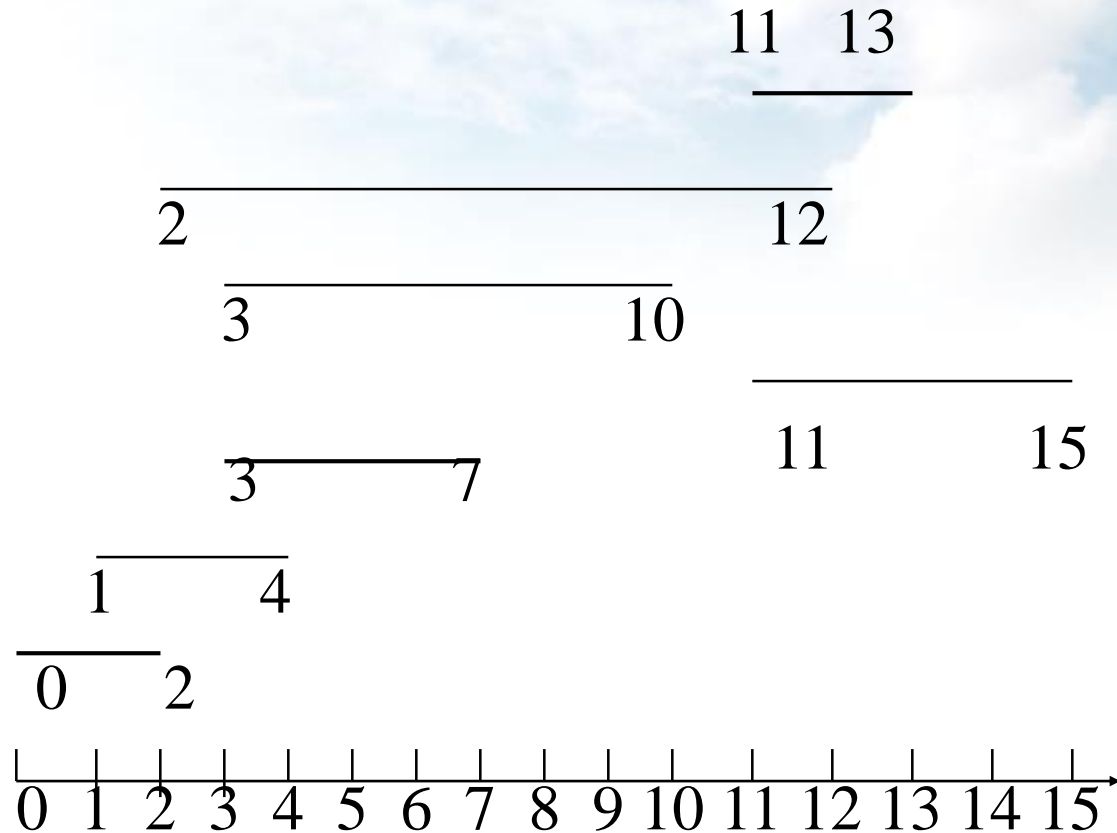
- Given a set S of n activities with start time s_i and finish time f_i of activity i
- Find a maximum size subset A of compatible activities (maximum number of activities)
 - Activities are compatible if they do not overlap
- Can you suggest a greedy choice?

03. Activity Selection Problem

Example

Activities

1
2
3
4
5
6
7



Time

03. Activity Selection Problem

Example

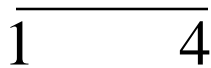
- Counter example, select by start time

Activities

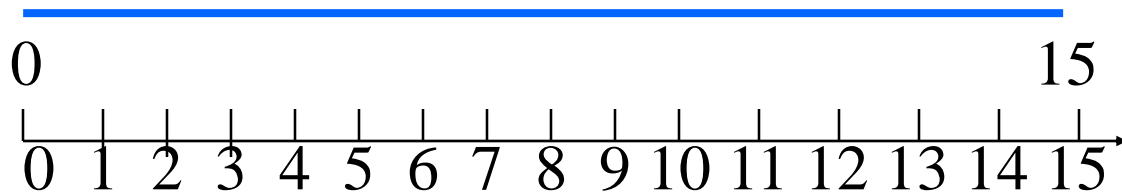
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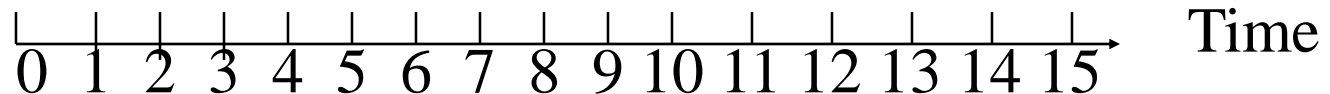
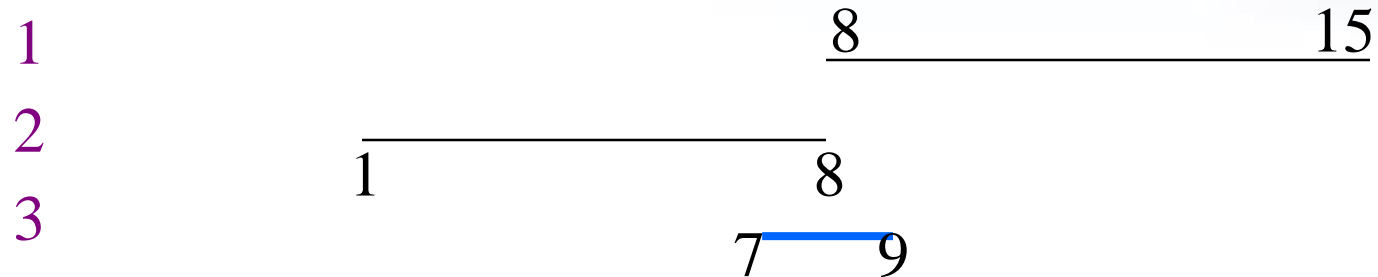
Time

03. Activity Selection Problem

Example

- Counter example, select by minimum duration

Activities

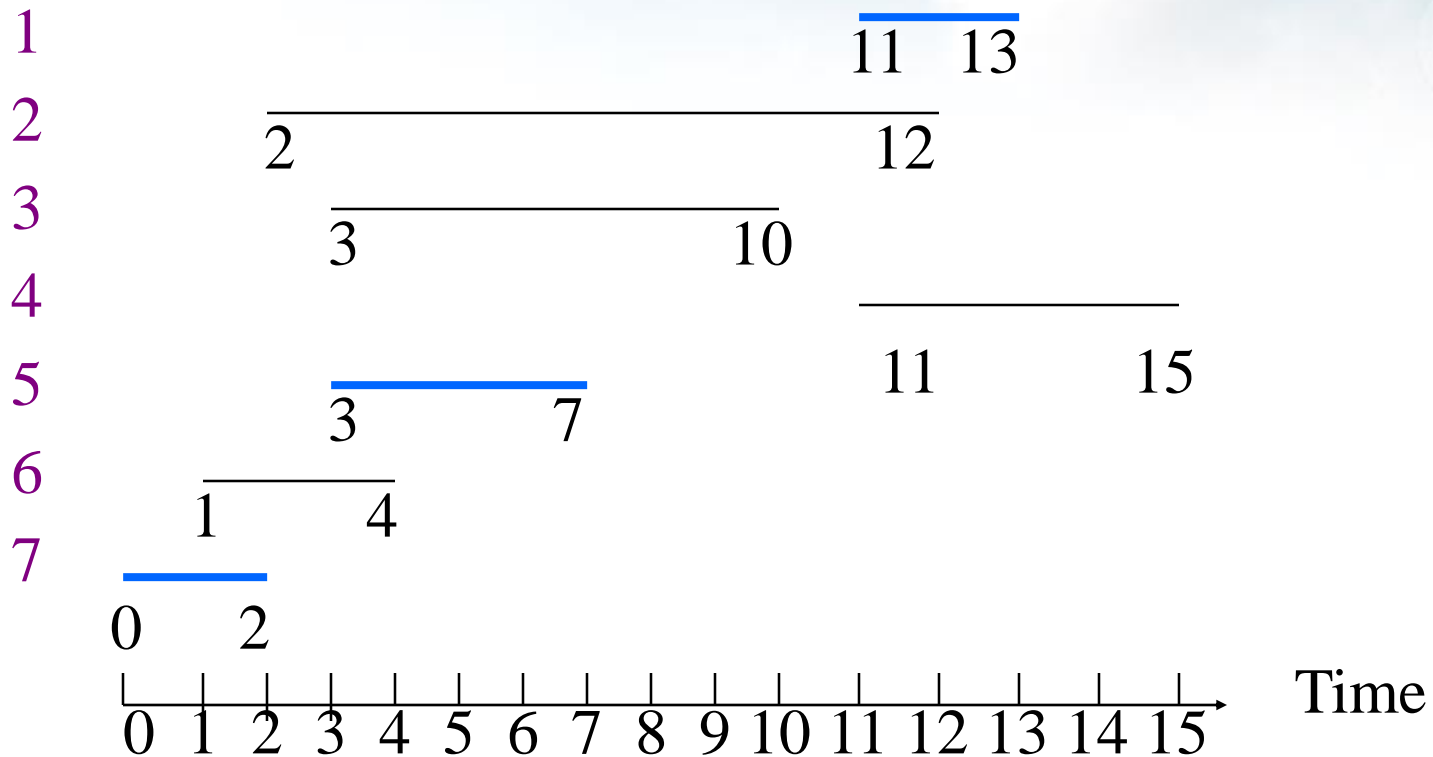


03. Activity Selection Problem

Example

- Select by finishing time

Activities



03. Activity Selection Problem

Algorithm

- Assume without loss of generality that we number the intervals in order of finish time
 - So $f_1 \leq \dots \leq f_n$
- Greedy choice: choose activity with minimum finish time
- The following greedy algorithm starts with $A = \{1\}$ and then adds all compatible jobs ($O(n)$)
 - $O(n \log n)$ when including sort

```
n <- length[s] // number of activities
A <- {1}
j <- 1 // last activity added
for i <- 2 to n // select
  if  $s_i \geq f_j$  then // compatible (feasible)
    add {i} to A
    j <- i // save new last activity
return A
```

*** Known as optimal.**

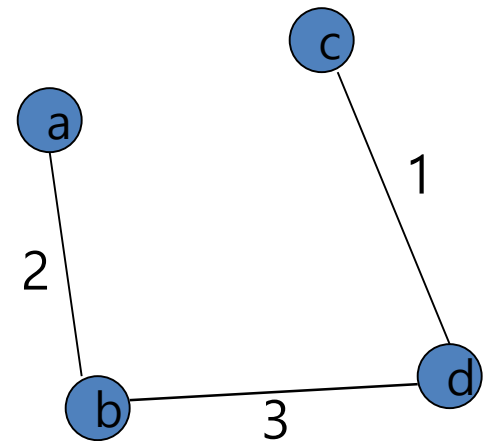
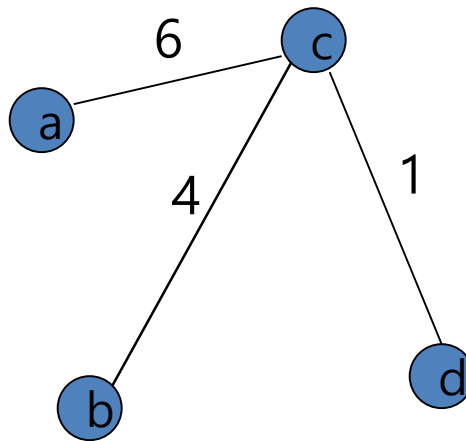
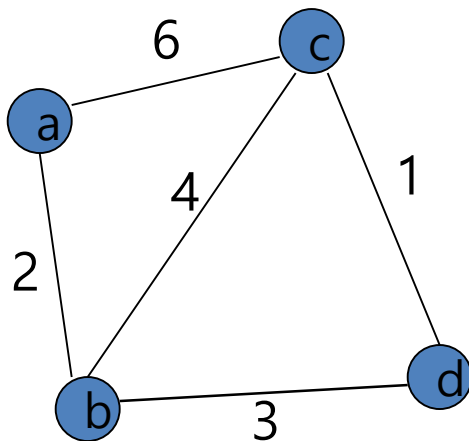


Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

MST

- Spanning tree of a connected graph G
 - A connected acyclic subgraph of G that includes all of G 's vertices
- Minimum spanning tree of a weighted, connected graph G
 - A spanning tree of G of the minimum total weight
- Example



04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

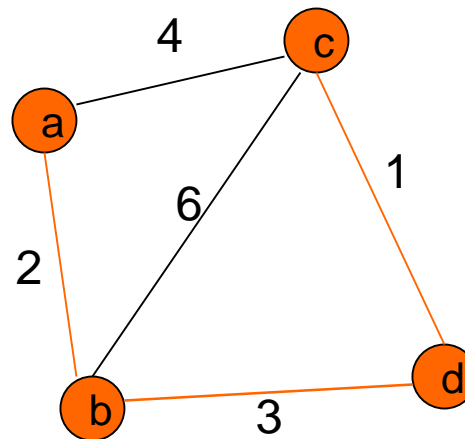
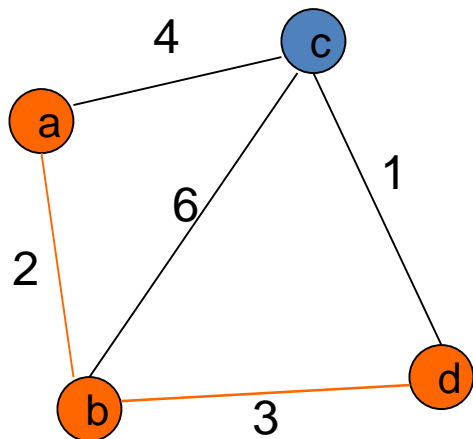
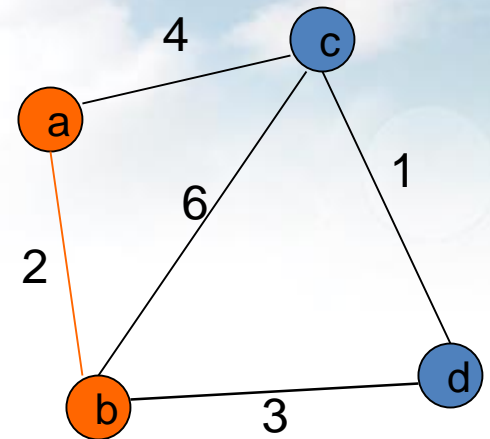
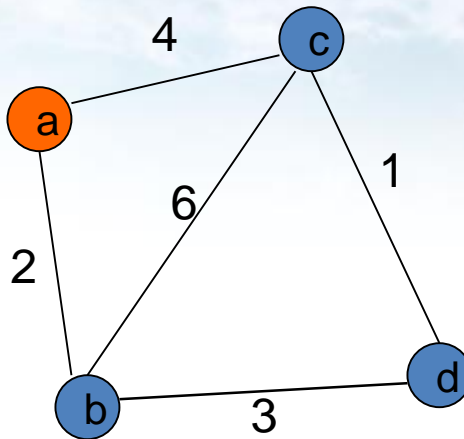
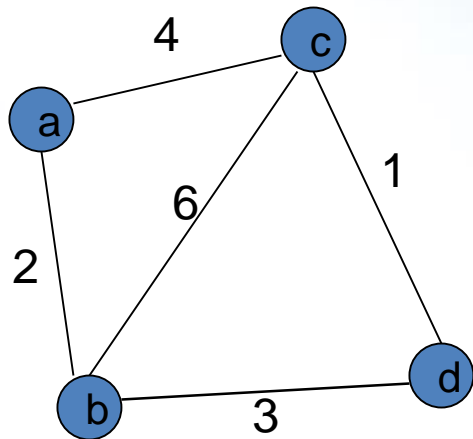
Prim's MST

- Algorithm
 - Start with tree T_1 consisting of one (any) vertex and “grow” tree
 - One vertex at a time to produce MST through a series of expanding subtrees T_1, T_2, \dots, T_n
 - On each iteration, construct T_{i+1} from T_i by adding vertex not in T_i that is closest (or lightest) to those already in T_i
 - this is a “greedy” step!
 - Stop when all vertices are included

04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

Prim's MST

- Example



04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

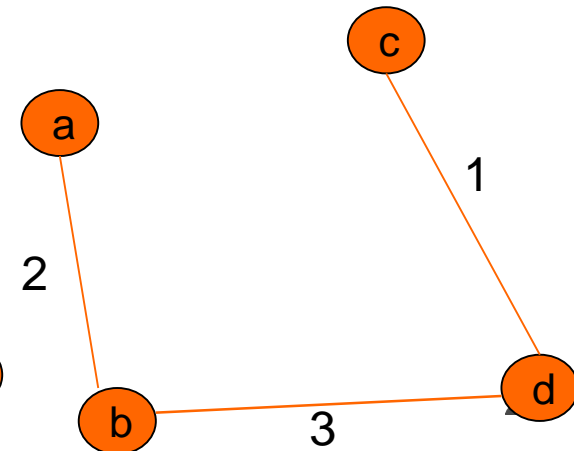
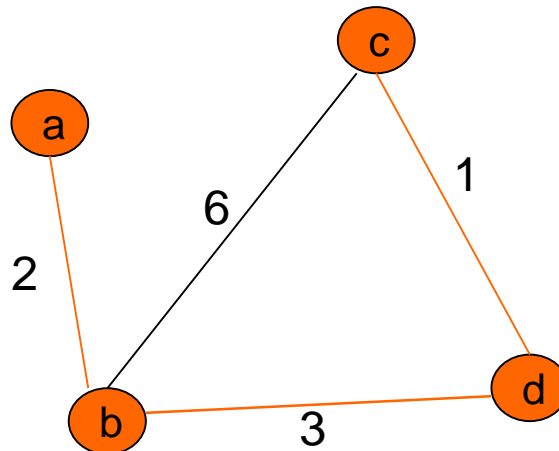
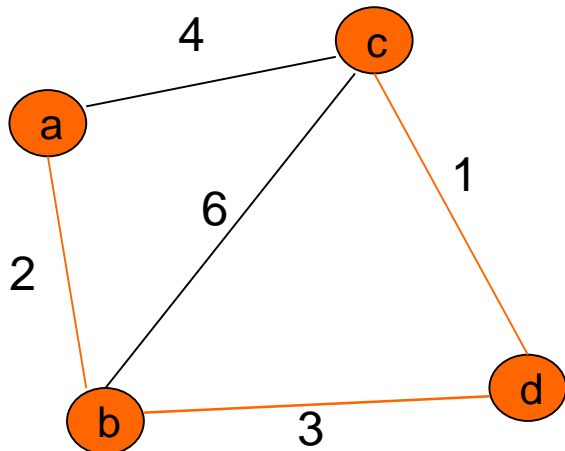
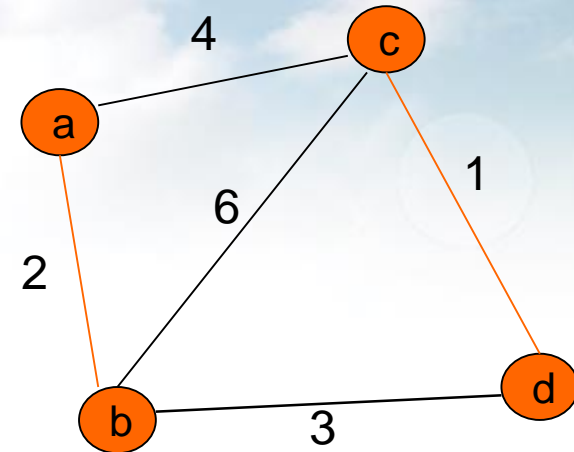
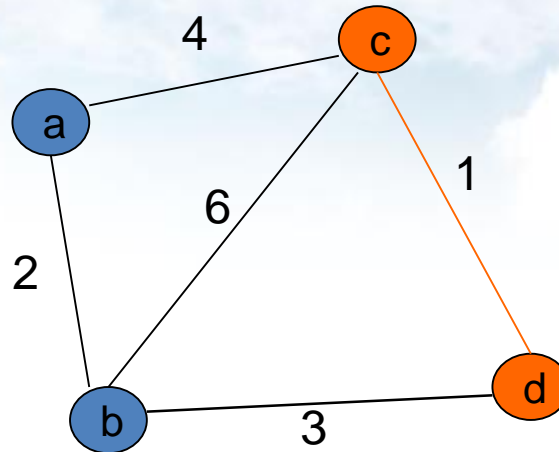
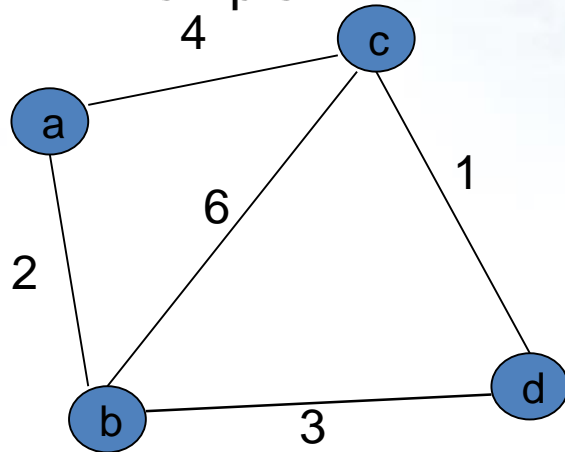
Kruskal's MST

- Algorithm
 - Sort the edges in non-decreasing order of lengths
 - “Grow” tree one edge at a time to produce MST through a series of expanding forests F_1, F_2, \dots, F_{n-1}
 - On each iteration, add the next edge on the sorted list unless this would create a cycle
 - If it would, skip the edge

04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

Kruskal's MST

- Example



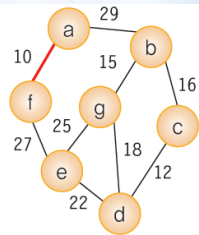
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Kruskal's MST

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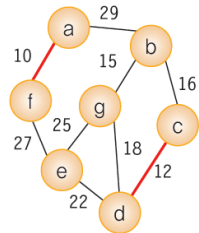
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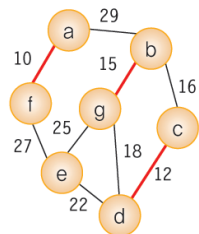
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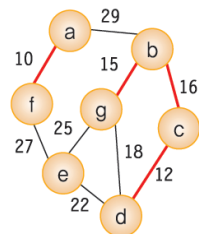
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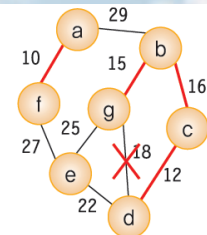
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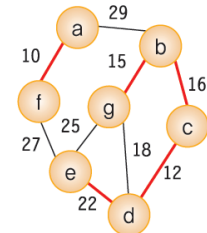
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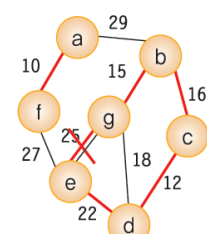
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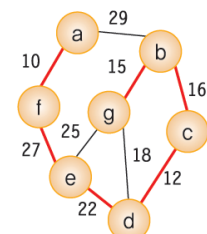
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04. Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

Comparisons

- Kruskal's algorithm looks easier than Prim's but is harder to implement (checking for cycles!)
 - Cycle checking: a cycle is created iff added edge connects vertices in the same connected component
 - Union-find algorithms
- Kruskal vs. Prim
 - Kruskal: from n trees to 1 mst
 - Prim: from a tree to 1 mst

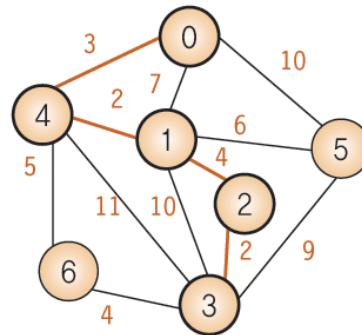


Single-Source Shortest Path Problem

05. Shortest Path Problem

Shortest Path

- Among the paths that connect node u and node v in the given network, the path where sum of weights on the edges is minimum
 - Weight can be cost, distance, time, etc.
- A problem: to find the shortest path from node 0 to node 3
 - Adjacent matrix
 - If there is no direct edge, its weight is ∞
 - 0, 4, 1, 2, 3 is the shortest path
 - Length of the shortest path = $3 + 2 + 4 + 2 = 11$

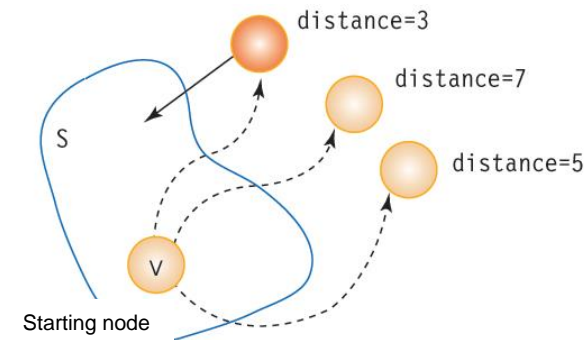


	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0	0	7	∞	∞	3	10	∞
1	7	0	4	10	2	6	∞
2	∞	4	0	2	∞	∞	∞
3	∞	10	2	0	11	9	4
4	3	2	∞	11	0	∞	5
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6	∞	∞	∞	4	5	∞	0

05. Shortest Path Problem

Dijkstra

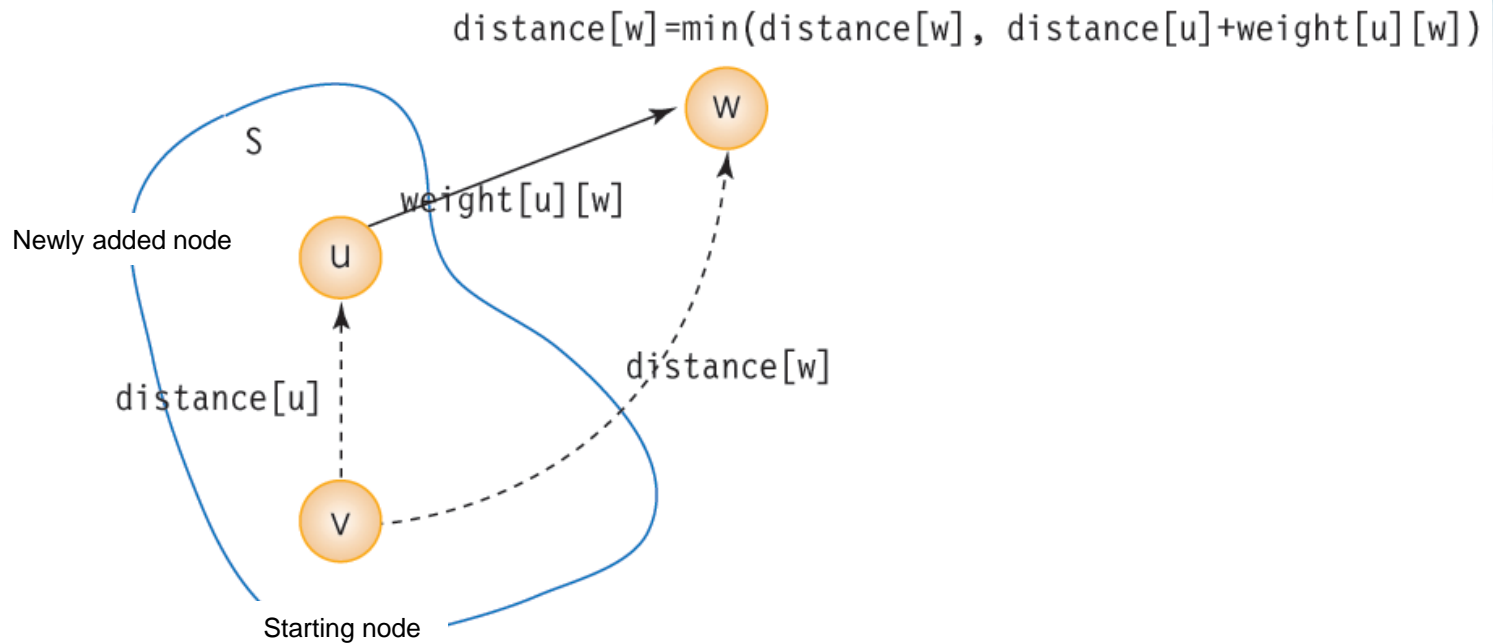
- Algorithm
 - Search the shortest paths from “a starting node” to all the other nodes
- Set S
 - A set of nodes (already) included in the shortest path starting from node v
- Distance variables
 - The shortest paths from node v to other nodes
- Initialization (starting node v)
 - $\text{distance}[v] = 0$
 - $\text{distance}[n] = w(v, w)$ if an edge exists,
 ∞ otherwise
- For each step, a node with the smallest distance is added to S



05. Shortest Path Problem

Dijkstra

- Algorithm
 - Update distance variables if a node is added to S



05. Shortest Path Problem

Dijkstra

- Pseudo code

```
// input: a (non-negative) weighted graph G
// output: distance array, distance[u] is the shortest path from v to u

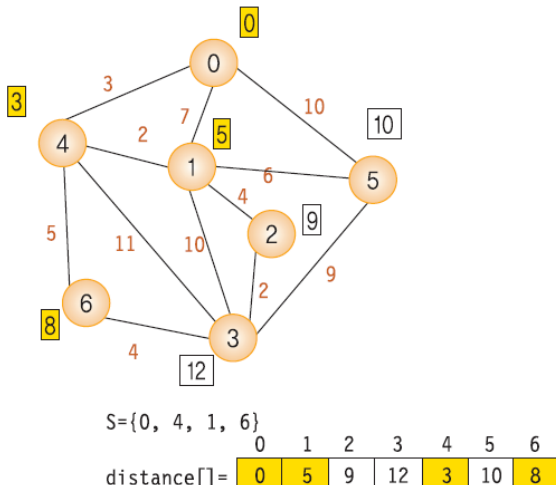
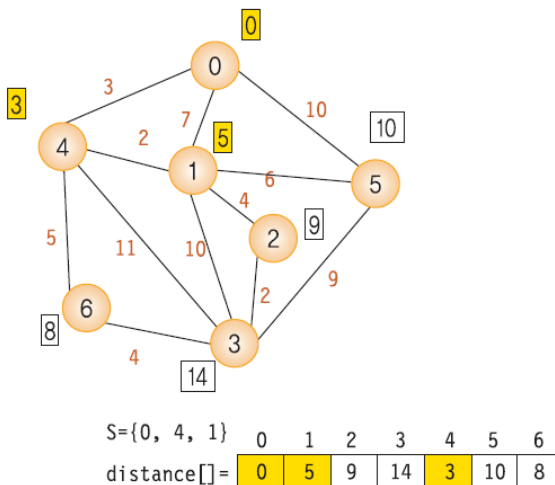
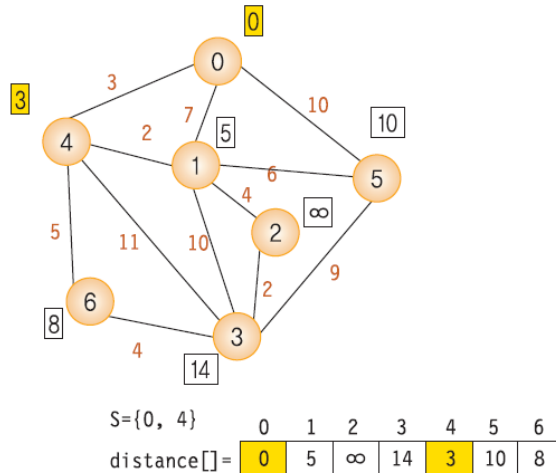
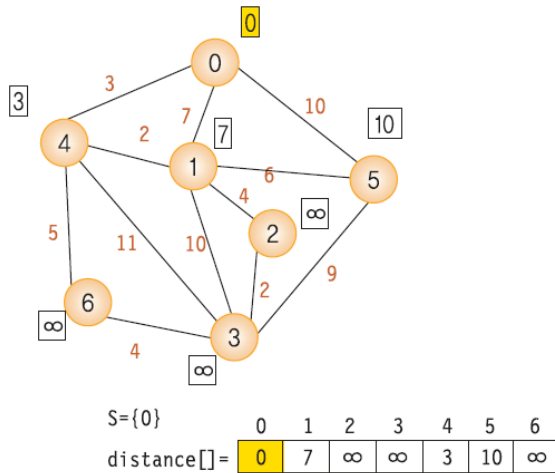
shortest_path(G, v)

S ← {v}
for each node w ∈ G do
    distance[w] ← weight[v][w];
while all the nodes are not contained in S do
    u ← node with smallest distance, which are not included in S;
    S ← S ∪ {u}
    for u's adjacent and member of S "z" do
        if distance[u] + weight[u][z] < distance[z]
            then distance[z] ← distance[u] + weight[u][z];
```

05. Shortest Path Problem

Dijkstra

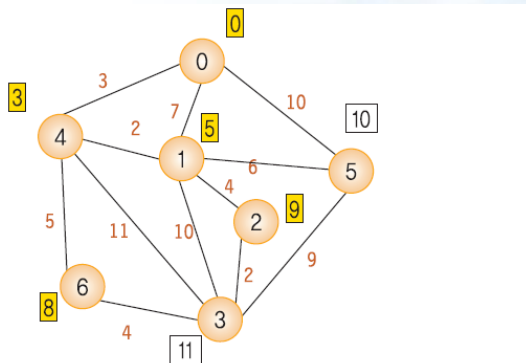
- Example



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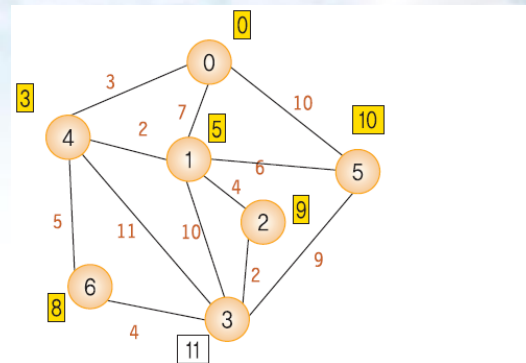
Dijkstra

- Example (cont'd)



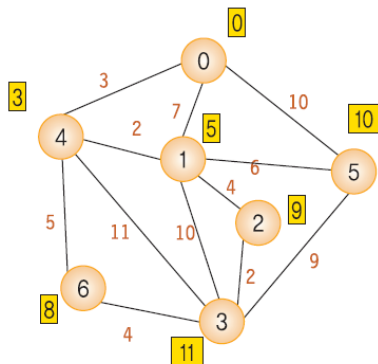
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What You Need to Know

Summary

- Greedy approach
 - Greedy algorithms make good local choices in the hope that they result in an optimal solution
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 - Coin Change Problem
 - Activity Selection Problem
 - Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) Problems
 - Prim
 - Kruskal
 - Single-Source Shortest Path Problem

Thanks

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