

# Shortest Path Algorithms

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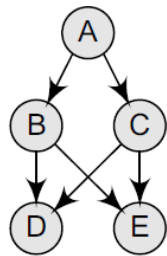
# Review

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- Bi-connected components
  - Articulation Point
- Bridge
- Three common ways of storing graphs
  - Sequential representation
    - adjacency matrix
  - Linked representation
    - linked list
  - Adjacency multi-list
- Traversal algorithms
  - BFS
  - DFS

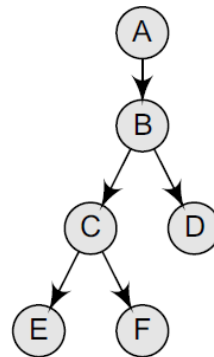
# Topological Sorting.

- Topological sort of a **directed acyclic graph** (DAG)  $G$  is defined as a linear ordering of its nodes in which each node comes before all nodes to which it has outbound edges
  - Every DAG has one or more number of topological sorts
  - If  $G$  contains an edge  $(u, v)$ , then  $u$  appears before  $v$  in the ordering



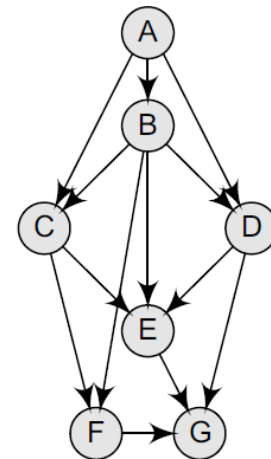
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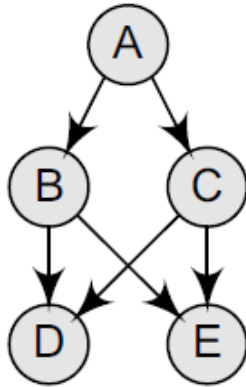
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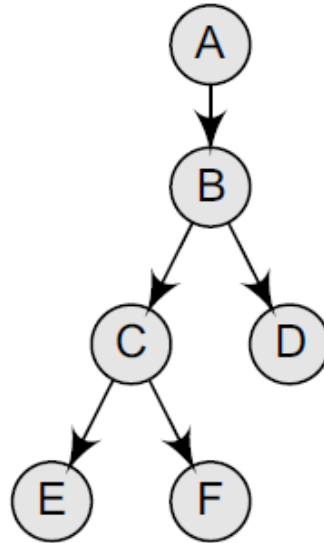
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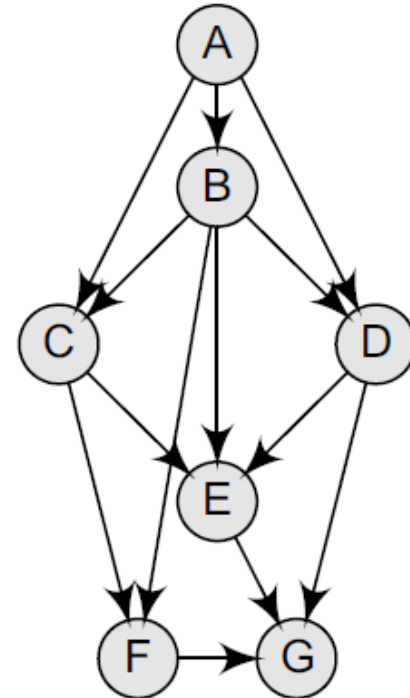
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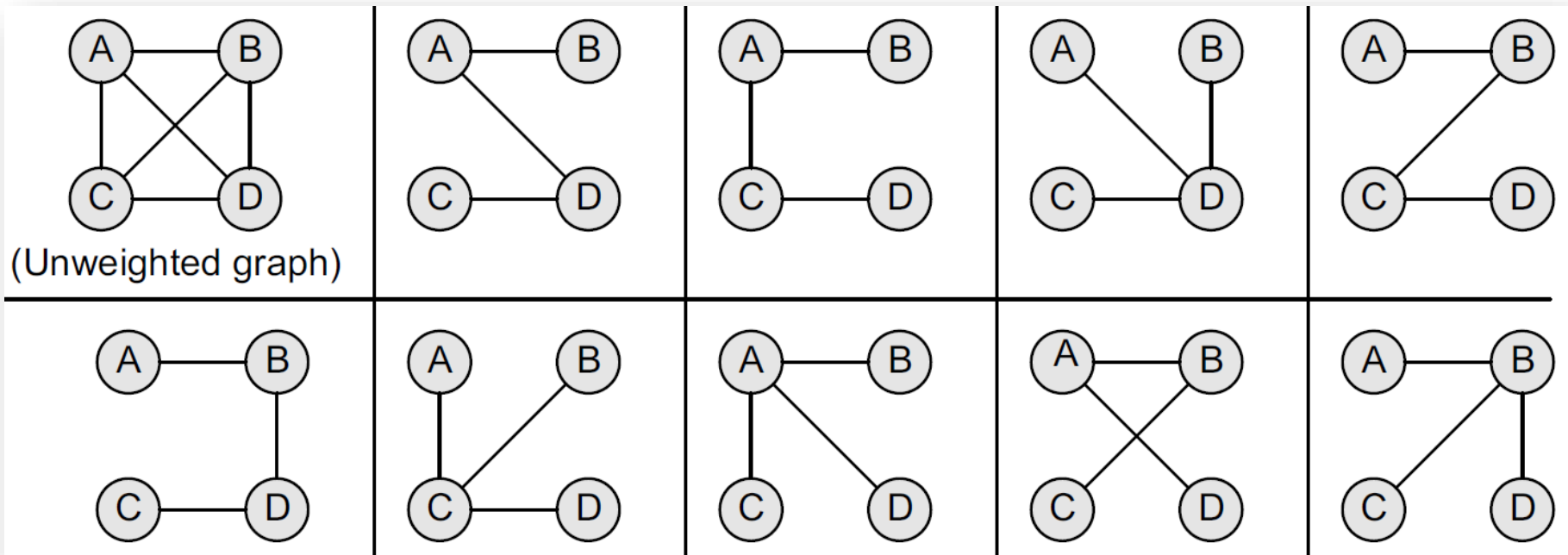
# Shortest Path Algorithms

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- The representative algorithms, which are used to calculate the shortest path, are:
  - Minimum spanning tree
    - Prim's algorithm
    - Kruskal's algorithm
  - Dijkstra's algorithm

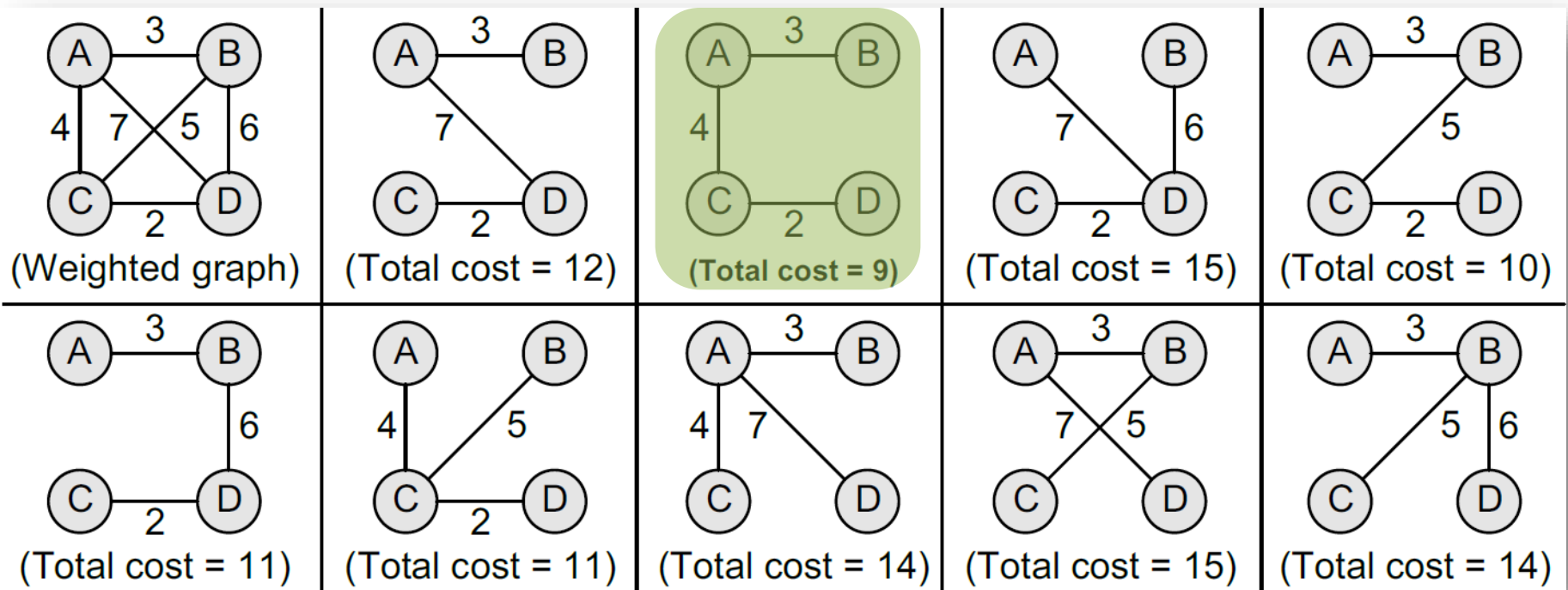
# Spanning Tree

- A spanning tree of a connected, undirected graph  $G$  is a subgraph of  $G$  which is a tree that connects all the vertices together
  - A graph  $G$  can have many different spanning trees



# Minimum Spanning Tree.

- A **minimum spanning tree** (MST) is defined as a spanning tree with weight less than or equal to the weight of every other spanning tree
  - We can assign **weights** to each edge, and use it to assign a weight to a spanning tree by calculating the sum of the weights of the edges in that spanning



# Minimum Spanning Tree..

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- Properties
  - *Possible multiplicity*
    - There can be multiple minimum spanning trees of the same weight
    - Particularly, if all the weights are the same, then every spanning tree will be minimum
  - *Uniqueness*
    - When each edge in the graph is assigned a different weight, then there will be only one unique minimum spanning tree
  - *Simplicity*
    - For an unweighted graph, any spanning tree is a minimum spanning tree



# Minimum Spanning Tree...

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- Minimum spanning trees can be computed quickly and easily to provide optimal solutions
  - Prim's algorithm
  - Kruskal's algorithm

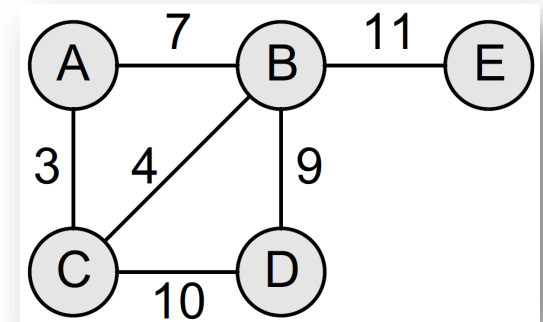
# Prim's Algorithm.

- Prim's algorithm is a greedy algorithm that is used to form a minimum spanning tree for a connected weighted undirected graph
  - **Tree vertices**
    - Vertices that are a part of the minimum spanning tree  $T$
  - **Fringe (Neighboring) vertices**
    - Vertices that are currently not a part of  $T$ , but are adjacent to some tree vertex
  - **Unseen vertices**
    - Vertices that are neither tree vertices nor fringe vertices fall under this category

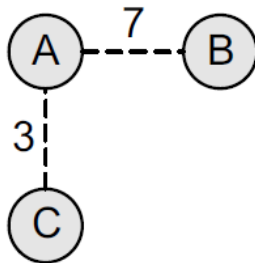
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Step 1: Select a starting vertex
Step 2: Repeat Steps 3 and 4 until there are fringe vertices
Step 3:   Select an edge  $e$  connecting the tree vertex and
          fringe vertex that has minimum weight
Step 4:   Add the selected edge and the vertex to the
          minimum spanning tree  $T$ 
          [END OF LOOP]
Step 5: EXIT
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# Prim's Algorithm..

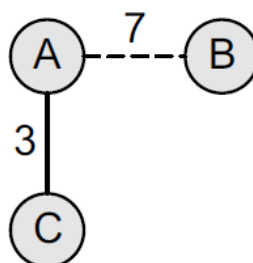
- Construct a minimum spanning tree of the graph by using Prim's algorithm
  - Step 1: Choose a starting vertex *A*
  - Step 2: Add the fringe vertices (that are adjacent to *A*)
  - Step 3: Since the edge connecting *A* and *C* has less weight, add *C* to the tree
  - Step 4: Add the fringe vertices (that are adjacent to *C*)
  - Step 5: Since the edge connecting *C* and *B* has less weight, add *B* to the tree



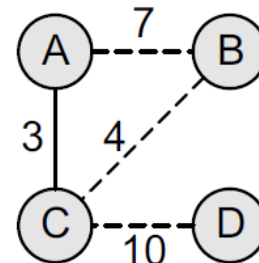
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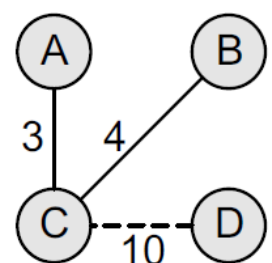
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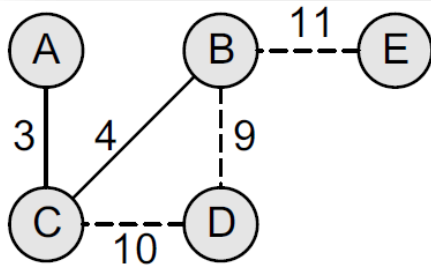
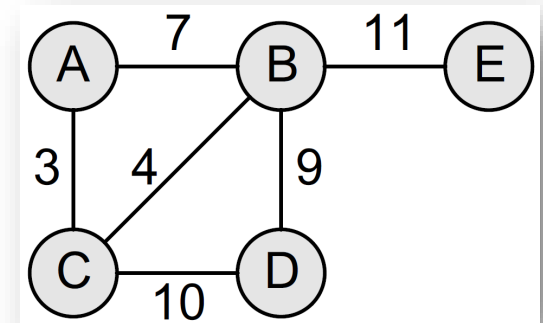
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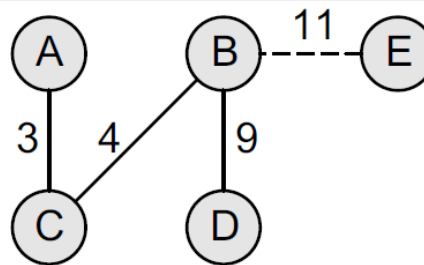
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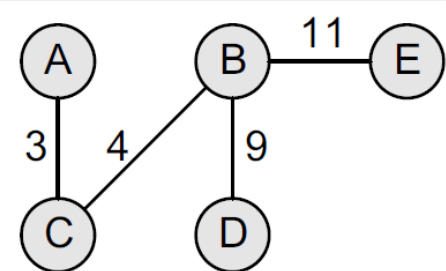
- Step 6: Add the fringe vertices (that are adjacent to B)
- Step 7: Since the edge connecting B and D has less weight, add D to the tree
- Step 8: Add E to the tree



Step 6



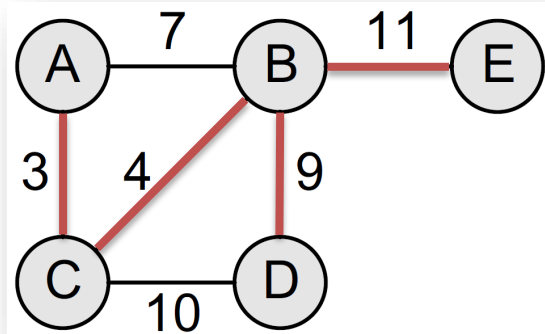
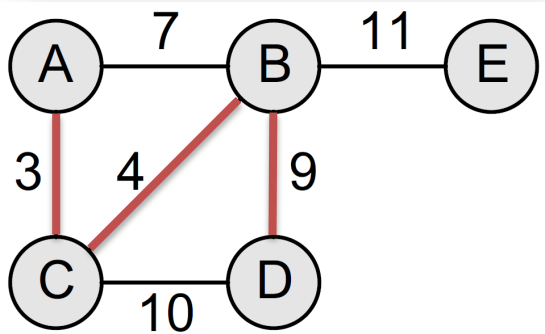
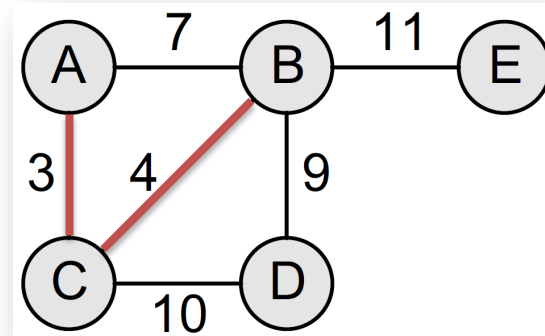
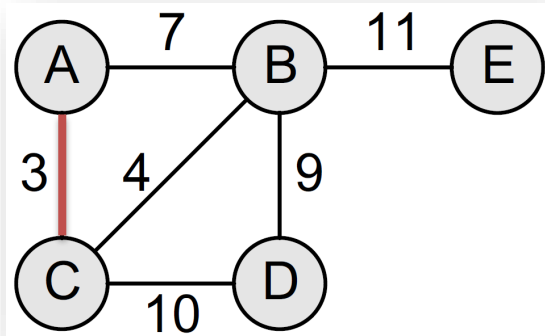
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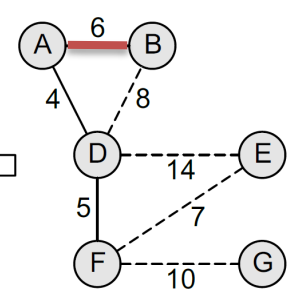
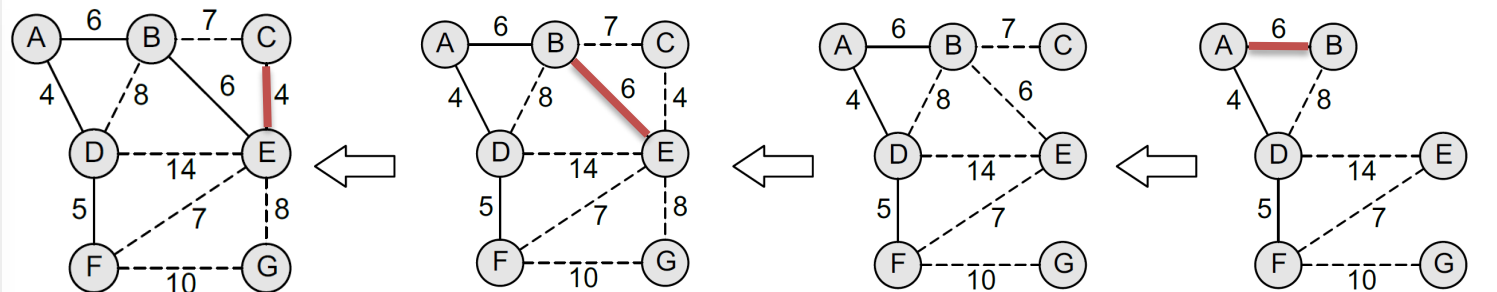
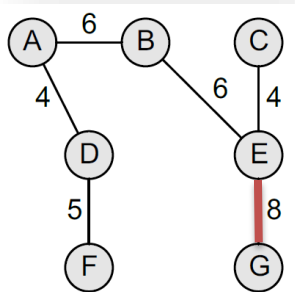
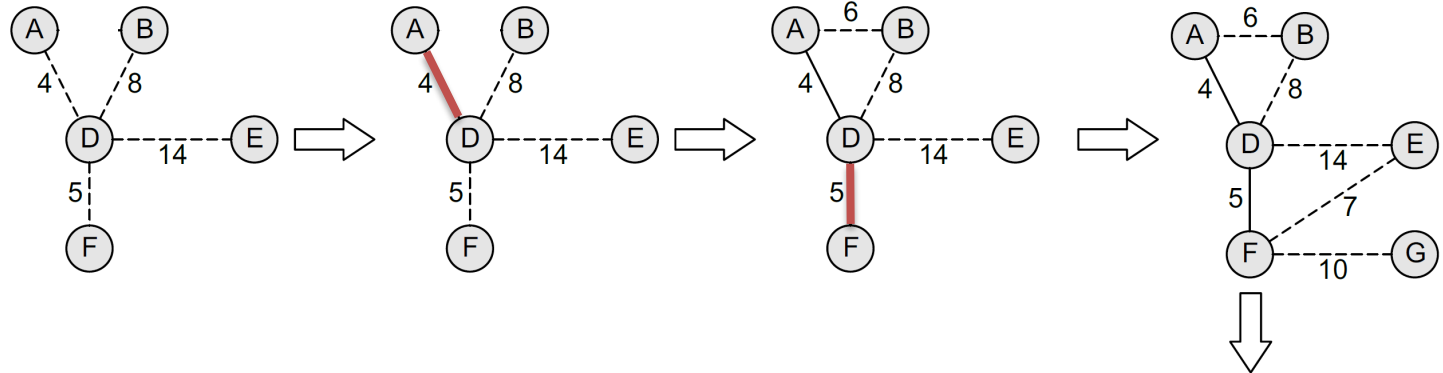
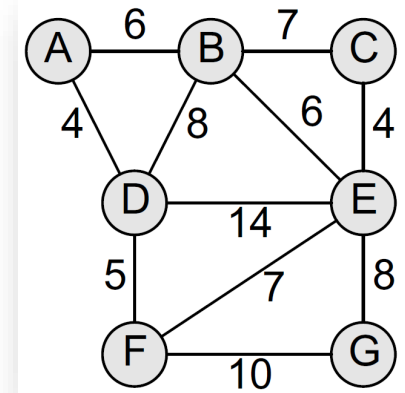
# Prim's Algorithm....

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# Prim's Algorithm....

- Construct a minimum spanning tree of the graph by using Prim's algorithm from vertex *D*



# Kruskal's Algorithm.

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- Kruskal's algorithm is used to find the minimum spanning tree for a connected weighted graph
  - If the graph is not connected, then it finds a **minimum spanning forest**

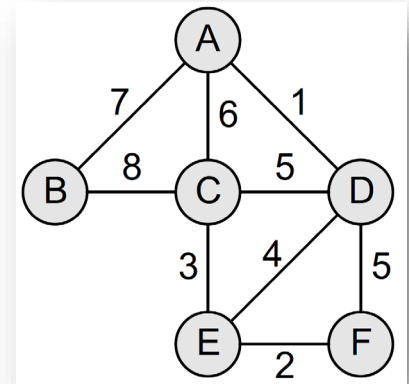
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Step 1: Create a forest in such a way that each graph is a separate
        tree.
Step 2: Create a priority queue Q that contains all the edges of the
        graph.
Step 3: Repeat Steps 4 and 5 while Q is NOT EMPTY
Step 4:     Remove an edge from Q
Step 5: IF the edge obtained in Step 4 connects two different trees,
        then Add it to the forest (for combining two trees into one
        tree).
        ELSE
            Discard the edge
Step 6: END
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# Kruskal's Algorithm..

- Apply Kruskal's algorithm on the given graph

– Initial:

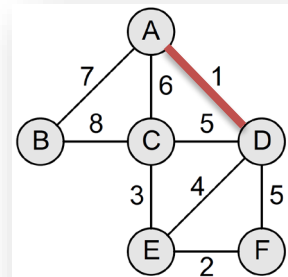
- $F = \{\{A\}, \{B\}, \{C\}, \{D\}, \{E\}, \{F\}\}$
- $MST = \{\}$
- Priority Queue  $Q = \{(A, D), (E, F), (C, E), (E, D), (C, D), (D, F), (A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\}$



– Step1:

- Remove the edge (A, D) from Q

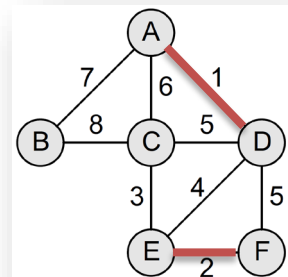
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– Step2:

- Remove the edge (E, F) from Q

$F = \{\{A, D\}, \{B\}, \{C\}, \{E, F\}\}$   
 $MST = \{(A, D), (E, F)\}$   
 $Q = \{(C, E), (E, D), (C, D), (D, F), (A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\}$



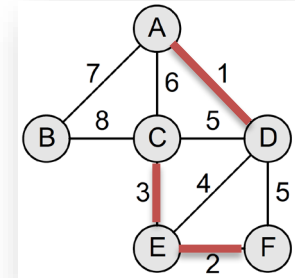


# Kruskal's Algorithm...

## – Step3:

- Remove the edge (C, E) from Q

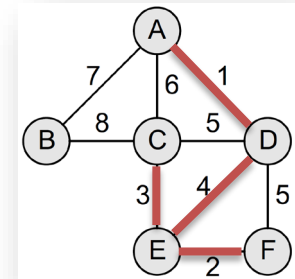
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 $MST = \{(A, D), (C, E), (E, F)\}$   
 $Q = \{(E, D), (C, D), (D, F), (A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\}$



## – Step4:

- Remove the edge (E, D) from Q

$F = \{\{A, C, D, E, F\}, \{B\}\}$   
 $MST = \{(A, D), (C, E), (E, F), (E, D)\}$   
 $Q = \{(C, D), (D, F), (A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\}$



## – Step5:

- Remove the edge (C, D) from Q

The edge does not connect different trees, so simply discard this edge

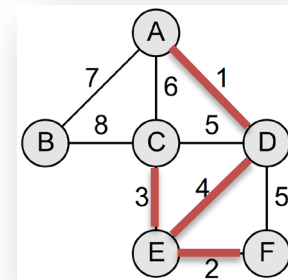
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 $MST = \{(A, D), (C, E), (E, F), (E, D)\}$   
 $Q = \{(D, F), (A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\}$

# Kruskal's Algorithm....

## – Step6:

- Remove the edge (D, F) from Q

The edge does not connect different trees, so simply discard this edge

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \{\{A, C, D, E, F\}, \{B\}\} \\ \text{MST} &= \{(A, D), (C, E), (E, F), (E, D)\} \\ Q &= \{(A, C), (A, B), (B, C)\} \end{aligned}$$


## – Step7:

- Remove the edge (A, C) from Q

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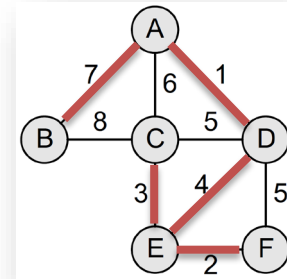
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# Kruskal's Algorithm.....

– Step8:

- Remove the edge (A, B) from Q

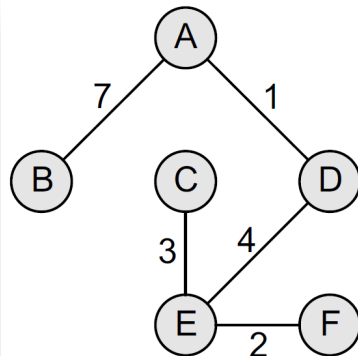
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 $Q = \{(B, C)\}$



– Step8:

- Remove the edge (B, C) from Q

The edge does not connect different trees, so simply discard this edge



$F = \{A, B, C, D, E, F\}$   
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 $Q = \{\}$

# Dijkstra's Algorithm.

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- Dijkstra's algorithm, given by a Dutch scientist Edsger Dijkstra in 1959, is used to find the shortest path tree
    - Given a graph  $G$  and a source node  $A$ , the algorithm is used to find the shortest path (one having the lowest cost) between  $A$  (source node) and every other node
1. Select the source node also called the initial node
  2. Define an empty set  $N$  that will be used to hold nodes to which a shortest path has been found.
  3. Label the initial node with 0, and insert it into  $N$ .
  4. Repeat Steps 5 to 7 until the destination node is in  $N$  or there are no more labelled nodes in  $N$ .
  5. Consider each node that is not in  $N$  and is connected by an edge from the newly inserted node.
  6. (a) If the node that is not in  $N$  has no label then SET the label of the node = the label of the newly inserted node + the length of the edge.  
(b) Else if the node that is not in  $N$  was already labelled, then SET its new label = minimum (label of newly inserted vertex + length of edge, old label)
  7. Pick a node not in  $N$  that has the smallest label assigned to it and add it to  $N$ .

# Dijkstra's Algorithm..

- Given a graph  $G$ , please take  $D$  as the initial node, and execute the Dijkstra's algorithm on it

– Step 1:

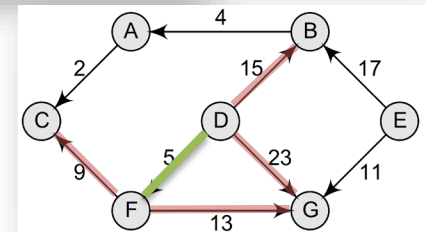
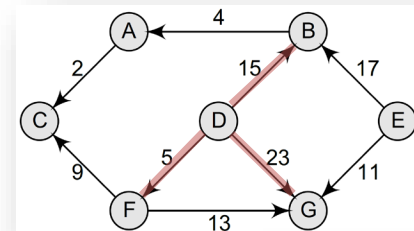
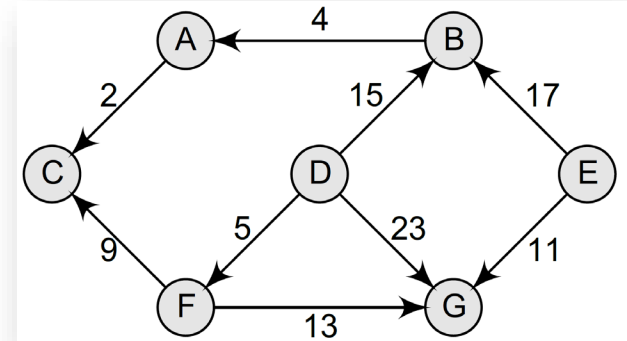
- Set the label of  $D = 0$  and  $N = \{D\}$

– Step 2:

- Label of  $B = 15$ ,  $G = 23$ , and  $F = 5$
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F\}$

– Step 3:

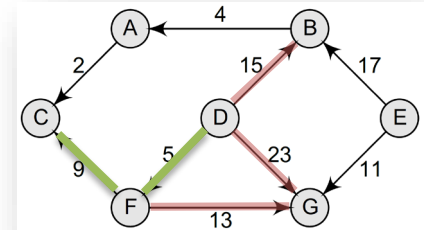
- Label of  $B = 15$ ,  $G$  has been re-labelled 18 because  $\text{minimum}(5 + 13, 23) = 18$ ,  $C$  has been re-labelled 14 ( $5 + 9$ )
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C\}$



# Dijkstra's Algorithm...

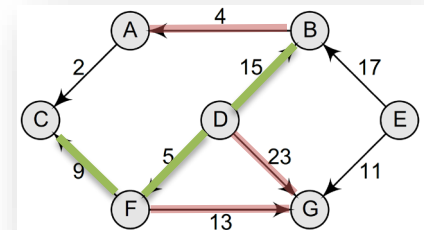
– Step 4:

- Label of B = 15, G = 18
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B\}$



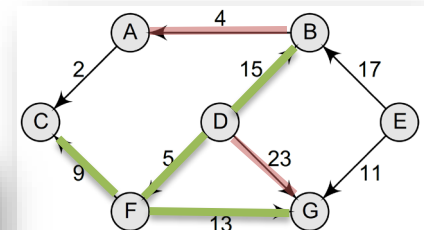
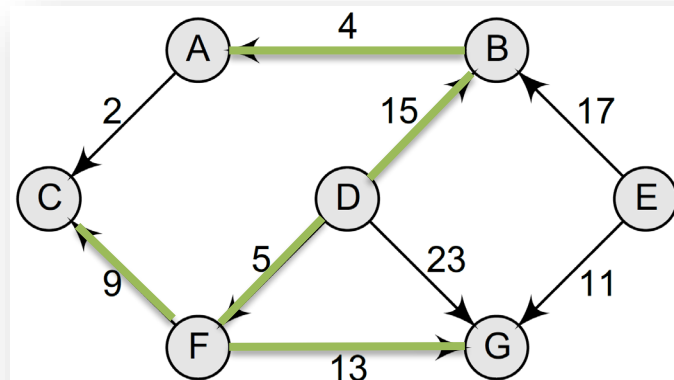
– Step 5:

- Label of G = 18 and A = 19 (15 + 4)
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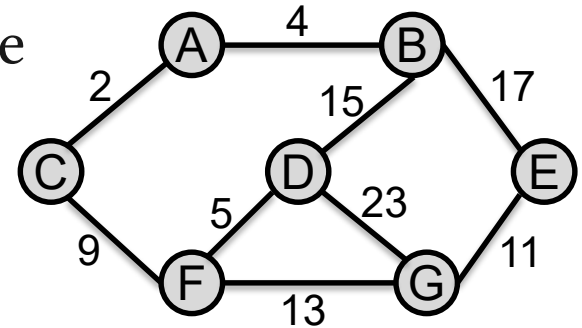
– Step 6: Label of A = 19

- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B, G, A\}$



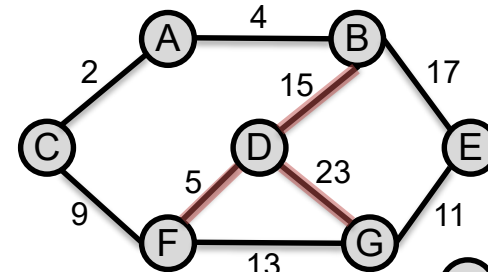
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- Given a **undirected** graph  $G$ , please take  $D$  as the initial node, and execute the Dijkstra's algorithm on it

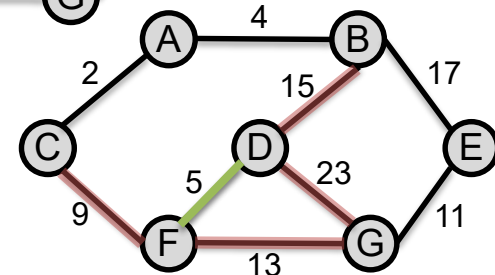


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- Step 2:
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  - Therefore,  $N = \{D, F\}$



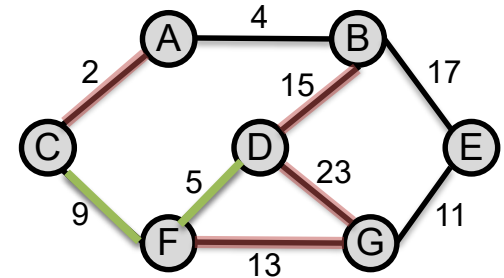
- Step 3:
  - Label of  $B = 15$ ,  $G$  has been re-labelled 18 because  $\text{minimum}(5 + 13, 23) = 18$ ,  $C$  has been re-labelled 14 ( $5 + 9$ )
  - Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C\}$



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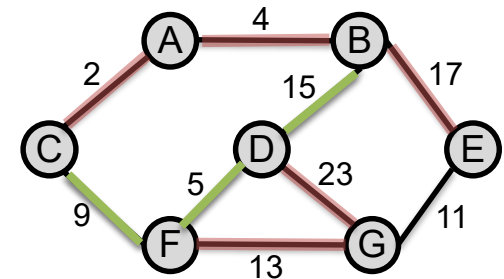
– Step 3:

- Label of B = 15, G has been re-labelled 18 because  $\text{minimum}(5+13, 23) = 18$ , A = 16 ( $5+9+2$ )
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B\}$



– Step 3:

- Label of G has been re-labelled 18 because  $\text{minimum}(5+13, 23) = 18$ , A =  $\text{minimum}(5+9+2=16, 15+4=19)=16$ , E = 32 ( $15+17$ )
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B, A\}$

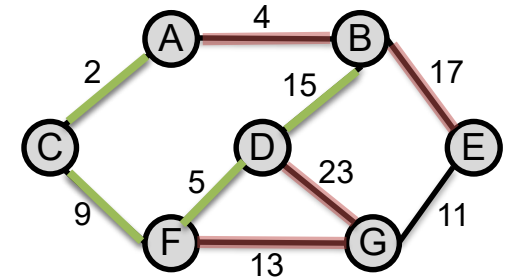




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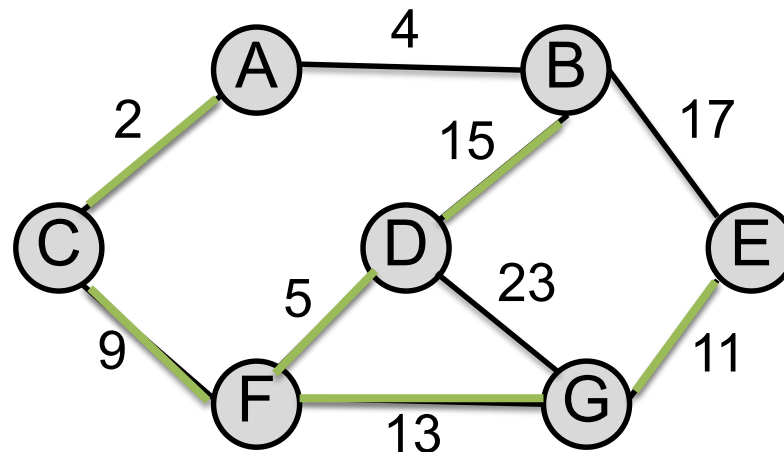
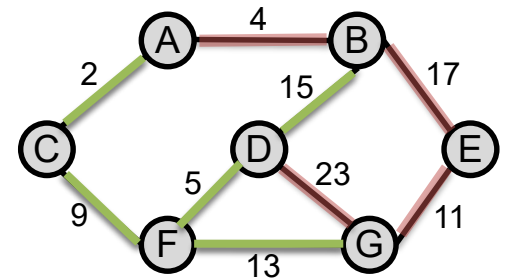
– Step 3:

- Label of G has been re-labelled 18 because  $\text{minimum}(5+13, 23) = 18$ ,  $E = 32$  ( $15+17$ )
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B, A, G\}$



– Step 3:

- Label of E has been re-labelled 29 because  $\text{minimum}(5+13+11, 15+17)$
- Therefore,  $N = \{D, F, C, B, A, G, E\}$



# Dijkstra's & MST Algorithms

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- Minimum spanning tree algorithm is used to traverse a graph in the most efficient manner, but Dijkstra's algorithm calculates the distance from a given vertex to every other vertex in the graph
- Dijkstra's algorithm is very similar to Prim's algorithm
  - Both the algorithms begin at a specific node and extend outward within the graph, until all other nodes in the graph have been reached
  - The difference is while Prim's algorithm stores a minimum cost edge, Dijkstra's algorithm stores the total cost from a source node to the current node

# Questions?

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