

CSCE 750

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Graph G (undirected)

$$G = (V, E)$$

Cost function

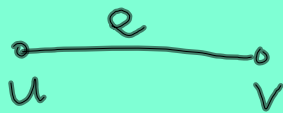
$$c: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$c(e)$ is cost of e

$$e = (u, v)$$

write as $c(u, v)$

Connected subgraph
of G



$c(e)$ of installing
wire between u & v .

Assume $c(e) \geq 0$

Connected subgraph
of G with
minimum cost.



connected: A tree is
a connected
acyclic graph.

Minimum Spanning Tree
(MST)

least cost
 $(\sum_{e \text{ in tree}} c(e))$

includes all vertices

2 algos for MST
(greedy)
Kruskal's algo &
Prim's algo

Kruskal's algo:

1. Put edges into a min heap Q by cost
 2. Set of edges T
 $T := \emptyset$.
 3. WHILE Q not empty DO
 remove min cost edge e from Q
 4. If e does not form a cycle with T
 then $T := T \cup \{e\}$
- // invariant: T is acyclic
else ignore e



For test: Use disjoint set system.

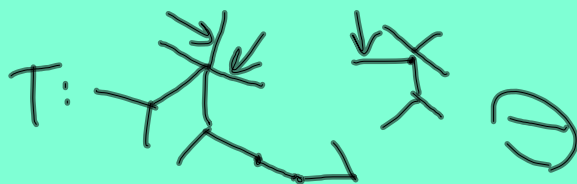
Sets are connected components
(sets of vertices)

MakeSet(x) — makes $\{x\}$

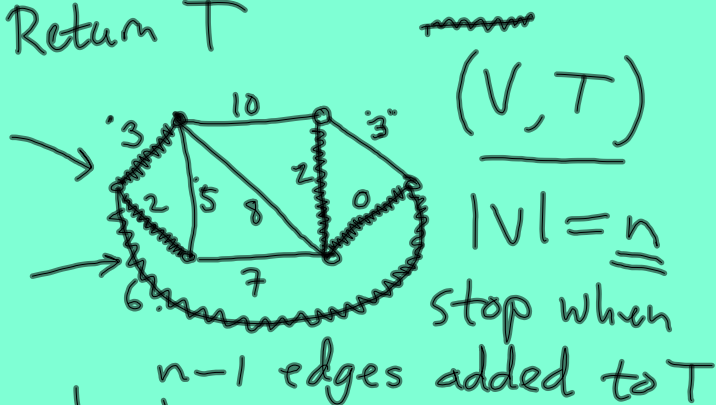
→ Union(x, y) — merges set containing x with set containing y
(original sets are destroyed)

(Find)

SameSet(x, y) — tests whether x, y are in same set



Return T

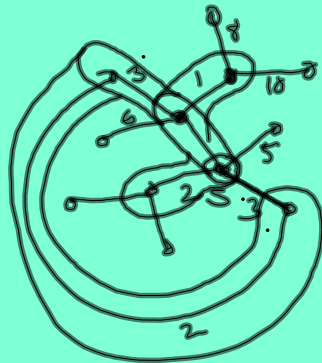


Fact: any tree on n vertices has exactly $n-1$ edges.

Prim's Algo: Instance of graph search

start vertex (s)
grow single tree T out
from s .

T
includes
vertices
and edges



$$T := (\{s\}, \emptyset)$$

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 $V[T]$ $E[T]$

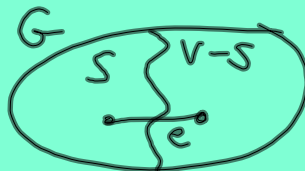
WHILE there is an edge
 $e = (u, v)$ where

let e be such an edge with min cost

$u \in V[T]$ and
 $v \notin V[T]$ THEN
 $V[T] := V[T] \cup \{v\}$
 $E[T] := E[T] \cup \{e\}$

END while
Return T

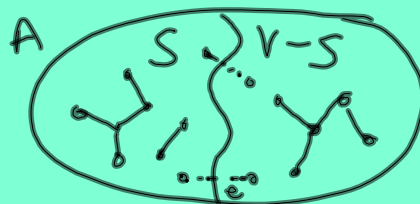
A cut in $G = (V, E)$
is a partition $(S, V-S)$
where S & $V-S$
are nonempty subsets of V .



Edge e crosses cut if one endpt is in S and the other is in $V-S$.

Let A be a set of edges. The cut $(S, V-S)$ respects A if no edge in A crosses the cut.

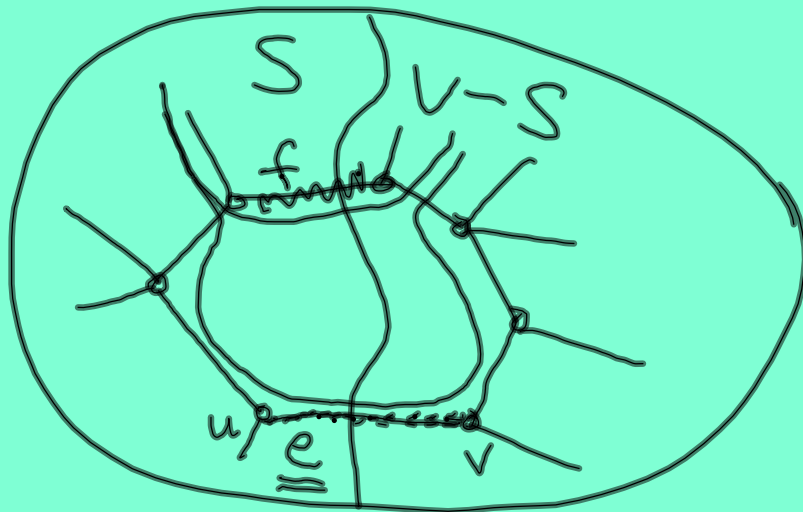
An edge e is safe for A if there is a cut $(S, V-S)$ that respects A and e is a least cost edge crossing the cut.



Thm: If A is a subset of some MST, and e is safe for A , then $A \cup \{e\}$ is also a subset of an MST.

Proof: Let $A \subseteq T$ where T is an MST. Let e be safe for A .

e is least cost edge
 crossing some cut
 $(S, V-S)$ respecting A .
 If $e \in T$, done.
 So assume $e \notin T$.



Let $T' := (T - \{f\}) \cup \{e\}$
 $A \cup \{e\} \subseteq T'$ & T' is connected.

So T' is a spanning tree

$$c(e) \leq c(f)$$

$$\text{cost}(T') \leq \text{cost}(T)$$

$$=$$

