

## CSE 332: Spanning Trees

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## Announcements

- HW3 part 3 due Thursday night
- Final exam topics posted online
  - also sample final
  - covers everything except NP-completeness
  - closed book, notes
  - 4:30 or 6:30 on Monday (attend either one)

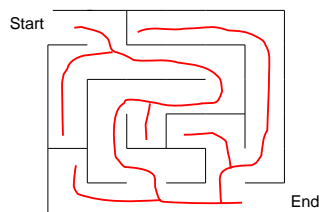
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## Union Find Review

- Data: set of pairwise **disjoint sets**.
- Operations
  - **Union** – merge two sets to create their union
  - **Find** – determine which set an item appears in
- Amortized complexity
  - M Union and Find operations, on a set of size N
  - Runtime  $O(M \log^* N)$

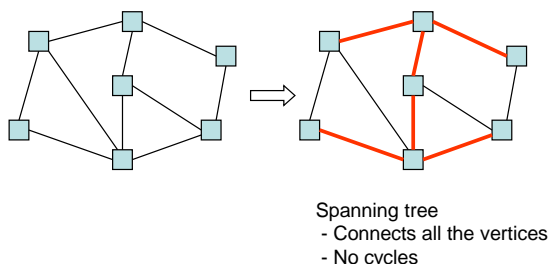
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## A Hidden Tree



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## Spanning Tree in a Graph



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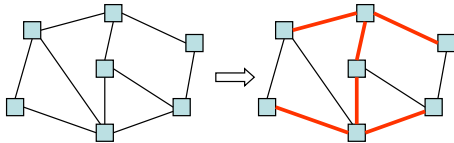
## Undirected Graph

- $G = (V, E)$ 
    - V is a set of vertices (or nodes)
    - E is a set of unordered pairs of vertices
- $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$   
 $E = \{(1, 2), (1, 6), (1, 5), (2, 7), (2, 3), (3, 4), (4, 7), (4, 5), (5, 6)\}$
- 2 and 3 are adjacent  
2 is incident to edge (2, 3)

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## Spanning Tree Problem

- Input: An undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$ .  $G$  is connected.
- Output:  $T \subset E$  such that
  - $(V, T)$  is a connected graph
  - $(V, T)$  has no cycles



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## Spanning Tree Algorithm

```

ST(Vertex i) {
    mark i;
    for each j adjacent to i {
        if (j is unmarked) {
            Add (i,j) to T;
            ST(j);
        }
    }
}
    
```

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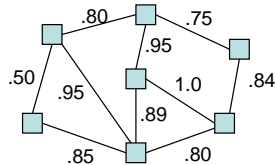
Main() {
    T = empty set;
    ST(1);
}
    
```

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## Best Spanning Tree

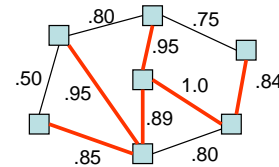
Finding a reliable routing subnetwork:

- edge cost = probability that it won't fail
- Find the spanning tree that is least likely to fail



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## Example of a Spanning Tree



$$\text{Probability of success} = .85 \times .95 \times .89 \times .95 \times 1.0 \times .84 = .5735$$

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## Minimum Spanning Trees

Given an undirected graph  $G=(V,E)$ , find a graph  $G'=(V, E')$  such that:

- $E'$  is a subset of  $E$
- $|E'| = |V| - 1$
- $G'$  is connected
- $\sum_{(u,v) \in E'} c_{uv}$  is minimal

$G'$  is a **minimum spanning tree**.

**Applications:** wiring a house, power grids, Internet connections

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## Minimum Spanning Tree Problem

- Input: Undirected Graph  $G = (V, E)$  and  $C(e)$  is the cost of edge  $e$ .
- Output: A spanning tree  $T$  with minimum total cost. That is:  $T$  that minimizes

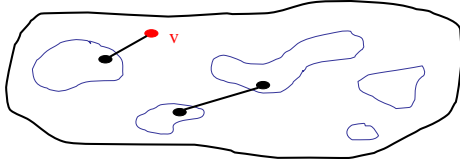
$$C(T) = \sum_{e \in T} C(e)$$

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## Kruskal's MST Algorithm

**Idea:** Grow a **forest** out of edges that do not create a cycle. Pick an edge with the smallest weight.

$G=(V,E)$



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## Kruskal's Algorithm for MST

An *edge-based* greedy algorithm

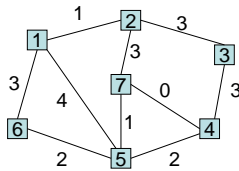
Builds MST by greedily adding edges

1. Initialize with
  - empty MST
  - all vertices marked unconnected
  - all edges unmarked
2. While there are still unmarked edges
  - a. Pick the lowest cost edge ( $u, v$ ) and mark it
  - b. If  $u$  and  $v$  are not already connected, add ( $u, v$ ) to the MST and mark  $u$  and  $v$  as connected to each other

*Sound familiar?*

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## Example of for Kruskal



(7,4) (2,1) (7,5) (5,6) (5,4) (1,6) (2,7) (2,3) (3,4) (1,5)  
0 1 1 2 2 3 3 3 3 4

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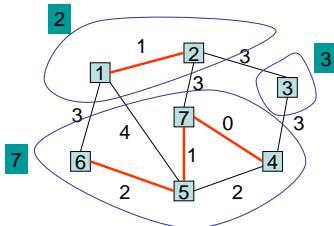
## Data Structures for Kruskal

- Sorted edge list
 

(7,4)	(2,1)	(7,5)	(5,6)	(5,4)	(1,6)	(2,7)	(2,3)	(3,4)	(1,5)
0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	4
- Disjoint Union / Find
  - Union( $a,b$ ) - merge the disjoint sets named by  $a$  and  $b$
  - Find( $a$ ) returns the name of the set containing  $a$

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## Example of DU/F

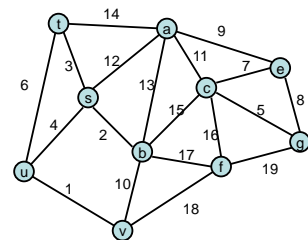


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## Kruskal's Algorithm

- Add the cheapest edge that joins disjoint components



## Kruskal's Algorithm with DU / F

```
Sort the edges by increasing cost;
Initialize A to be empty;
for each edge (i,j) chosen in increasing order do
    u := Find(i);
    v := Find(j);
    if not(u = v) then
        add (i,j) to A;
        Union(u,v);
```

This algorithm will work, but it goes through all the edges.

Is this always necessary?

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## Kruskal code

```
void Graph::kruskal() {
    int edgesAccepted = 0;
    DisjSet s(NUM_VERTICES);
    while (edgesAccepted < NUM_VERTICES - 1) {
        e = smallest weight edge not deleted yet;
        // edge e = (u, v)
        uset = s.find(u);
        vset = s.find(v);
        if (uset != vset) {
            edgesAccepted++;
            s.unionSets(uset, vset);
        }
    }
}
```

Annotations:

- $|V|$  ops to init. sets (points to `DisjSet s(NUM_VERTICES);`)
- $|E|$  heap ops (points to `e = smallest weight edge not deleted yet;`)
- $2|E|$  finds (points to `uset = s.find(u);` and `vset = s.find(v);`)
- $|V|$  unions (points to `s.unionSets(uset, vset);`)

Total Cost:

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## Kruskal's Algorithm: Correctness

It clearly generates a spanning tree. Call it  $T_K$ .

Suppose  $T_K$  is *not* minimum:

Pick another spanning tree  $T_{min}$  with *lower cost* than  $T_K$

Pick the smallest edge  $e_1 = (u, v)$  in  $T_K$  that is not in  $T_{min}$

$T_{min}$  already has a path  $p$  in  $T_{min}$  from  $u$  to  $v$

⇒ Adding  $e_1$  to  $T_{min}$  will create a cycle in  $T_{min}$

Pick an edge  $e_2$  in  $p$  that Kruskal's algorithm considered *after* adding  $e_1$  (must exist:  $u$  and  $v$  unconnected when  $e_1$  considered)

⇒  $\text{cost}(e_2) \geq \text{cost}(e_1)$

⇒ can replace  $e_2$  with  $e_1$  in  $T_{min}$  without increasing cost!

Keep doing this until  $T_{min}$  is identical to  $T_K$

⇒  $T_K$  must also be minimal – contradiction!

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