

CSE 417
Algorithms and Complexity

Winter 2023<br>Lecture 14

Finishing Minimum Spanning Trees

## Announcements

- Midterm, Wednesday, Feb 8
- Closed book, closed notes, no calculators
- Time limit: 50 minutes
- Answer the problems on the exam paper.
- If you need extra space use the back of a page
- Problems are not of equal difficulty, if you get stuck on a problem, move on.
- 'Justify your answer" means give a short and convincing explanation. Depending on the situation, justifications can involve counter examples, or cite results established in the text or in lecture.


## Minimum Spanning Tree



## Greedy Algorithms for Minimum Spanning Tree

- Prim's Algorithm:

Extend a tree by including the cheapest out going edge

- Kruskal's Algorithm: Add the cheapest edge that joins disjoint components



## Application: Clustering

- Given a collection of points in an rdimensional space and an integer $K$, divide the points into $K$ sets that are closest together


## Distance clustering

- Divide the data set into $K$ subsets to maximize the distance between any pair of sets
$-\operatorname{dist}\left(S_{1}, S_{2}\right)=\min \left\{\operatorname{dist}(x, y) \mid x\right.$ in $S_{1}, y$ in $\left.S_{2}\right\}$



## Divide into 2 clusters



## Divide into 3 clusters



## Divide into 4 clusters



## Distance Clustering Algorithm

Let $C=\left\{\left\{\mathrm{v}_{1}\right\},\left\{\mathrm{v}_{2}\right\}, \ldots,\left\{\mathrm{v}_{n}\right\}\right\} ; \mathrm{T}=\{ \}$ while $|C|>K$

Let $\mathrm{e}=(\mathrm{u}, \mathrm{v})$ with u in $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{i}}$ and v in $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{j}}$ be the minimum cost edge joining distinct sets in $C$
Replace $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{i}}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{j}}$ by $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{i}} \cup \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{j}}$

## K-clustering



## Shortest paths in directed graphs vs undirected graphs



## What about the minimum spanning tree of a directed graph?

- Must specify the root $r$
- Branching: Out tree with root $r$


Assume all vertices reachable from $r$


Also called an arborescence

## Finding a minimum branching



## Another MST Algorithm

- Choose minimum cost edge into each vertex
- Merge into components
- Repeat until done



## Idea for branching algorithm

- Select minimum cost edge going into each vertex
- If graph is a branching then done
- Otherwise collapse cycles and repeat


Midterm Questions????

