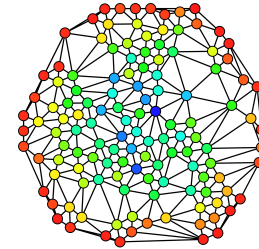


CSE 332

Data Abstractions

Graphs 4: Minimum Spanning Trees



Final Dijkstra's Algorithm

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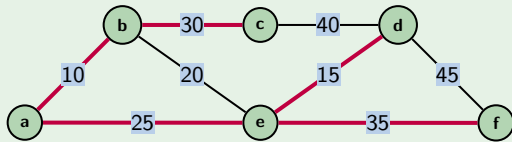
What Does ~~Dijkstra's Algorithm~~ Do Now?

Definition (Minimum Spanning Tree)

Given a graph $G = (V, E)$, find a **subgraph** $G' = (V', E')$ such that

- G' is a **tree**.
- $V = V'$ (G' is **spanning**.)
- $\sum_{e \in E'} w(e)$ is **minimized**.

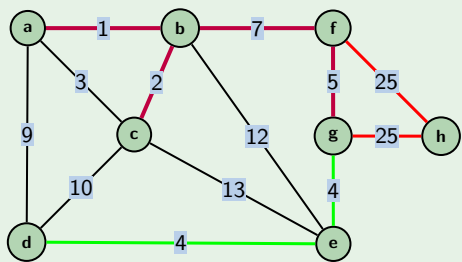
Example



- Given a layout of houses, where should we place the phone lines to minimize cost?
- How can we design circuits to minimize the amount of wire?
- Implementing efficient multiple constant multiplications
- Minimizing the number of packets transmitted across a network
- Machine learning (e.g., real-time face verification)
- Graphics (e.g., image segmentation)

MST Example

- Find a Minimum Spanning Tree of this graph
- Are there any others?
- Come up with a simple algorithm to find MSTs



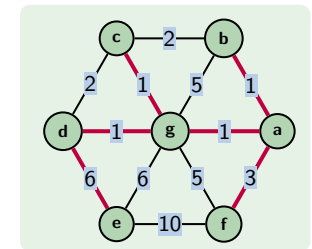
MST Uniqueness

If a graph has all unique edges, there is a unique MST. Otherwise, there might be multiple MSTs.

```

1 prim(G) {
2   conns = new Dictionary();
3   worklist = [];
4   for (v : V) {
5     conns[v] = null;
6     worklist.add(v, ∞);
7   }
8   while (worklist.hasWork()) {
9     v = next();
10    for (u : v.neighbors()) {
11      if (w(v, u) < w(conns[u], u)) {
12        conns[u] = v;
13        worklist.decreaseKey(
14          v, w(v, u)
15        );
16      }
17    }
18  }
19  return conns;
20 }

```



This really is almost identical to Dijkstra's Algorithm! We build up an MST by **adding vertices** to a "done set" and keeping track of what edge got us there.

Do we have to use vertices? Can we use edges instead?

Simple MST

```

1 findMST(G) {
2   mst = {};
3   for ((v, w) ∈ sorted(E)) {
4     foundV = foundW = false;
5     for ((a, b) ∈ mst) {
6       foundV |= (a == v) || (b == v);
7       foundW |= (a == w) || (b == w);
8     }
9     if (!foundV || !foundW) {
10      mst.add((v, w));
11    }
12  }
13  return mst;
14 }

```

Some Questions!

- How many edges is the MST?
Every MST will have $|V| - 1$ edges; one edge to include each vertex
- What is the runtime of this algorithm? $\mathcal{O}(|E|\lg(|E|) + |E||V|)$, because sorting takes $\mathcal{O}(|E|\lg(|E|))$, the MST has at most $\mathcal{O}(|V|)$ edges, and we have to iterate through the MST $|E|$ times.
- What is the slow operation of this algorithm? Checking if a vertex is already in our MST is very slow here. Can we do better?

A **disjoint sets** data structure keeps track of multiple sets which do not share any elements. Here's the ADT:

UnionFind ADT

find(x)	Returns a number representing the set that x is in.
union(x, y)	Updates the sets so whatever sets x and y were in are now considered the same sets.

Example

```

1 list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6];
2 UF uf = new UF(list); // State: {1}, {2}, {3}, {4}, {5}, {6}
3 uf.find(1);           // Returns 1
4 uf.find(2);           // Returns 2
5 uf.union(1, 2);       // State: {1, 2}, {3}, {4}, {5}, {6}
6 uf.find(1);           // Returns 1
7 uf.find(2);           // Returns 1
8 uf.union(3, 5);       // State: {1, 2}, {3, 5}, {4}, {6}
9 uf.union(1, 3);       // State: {1, 2, 3, 5}, {4}, {6}
10 uf.find(3);          // Returns 1
11 uf.find(6);          // Returns 6

```

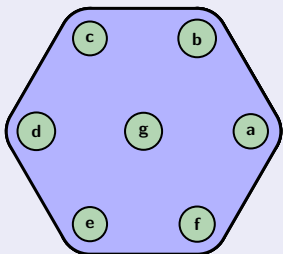
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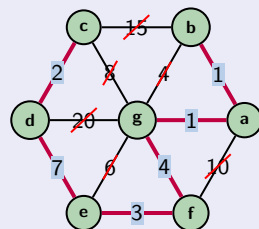
1 kruskal(G) {
2   mst = {};
3   forest = new UnionFind(V);
4   for ((v, w) ∈ sorted(E)) {
5     if (forest.find(v) != forest.find(w)) {
6       mst.add((v, w));
7       forest.union(v, w);
8     }
9   }
10  return mst;
11 }

```

Forest



Graph



Proving Correctness

To prove that Kruskal's Algorithm is correct, we must prove:

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- The output has minimum weight

Kruskal's Algorithm Outputs **SOME** Spanning Tree

We must show that the output, G' is spanning, connected, and acyclic.

- The algorithm adds an edge whenever one of its ends is not already in the tree. This means that every vertex has an edge in the tree.
- It's acyclic because we check before adding an edge.
- Connected?
 - The original graph is connected; there exists a path between u and v
 - Consider the **first** edge that we look at which is on **some path** between u and v .
 - Since we haven't previously considered **any** edge on **any path** between u and v , it must be the case that u and v are in distinct sets in the disjoint sets data structure. So, we add that edge.

Since there is a path between every u and v in the graph in G' , G' is connected by definition.

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So, now, we know that G' **is a spanning tree!**

Kruskal's Algorithm Outputs Some **MINIMUM** Spanning Tree

Let the edges we add to G' be, in order, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k .

Claim: For all $0 \leq i \leq k$, $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_i\} \subseteq T_i$ for **some** MST T_i .

Proof: We go by induction.

Base Case. $\emptyset \subseteq G$ for every graph G .

Induction Hypothesis. Suppose the claim is true for iteration i .

Induction Step. By our IH, we know that $\{e_1, \dots, e_i\} \subseteq T_i$, where T_i is some MST of G .

We consider two cases:

- If $e_{i+1} \in T_i$, then we choose $T_{i+1} = T_i$, and we're done.
- Otherwise...

So far, we know...

- T_i is a spanning tree of G . (earlier proof)
- that $\{e_1, \dots, e_i\} \subseteq T_i$, where T_i is some MST of G . (induction hypothesis)
- $e_{i+1} \notin T_i$. (handled that case)

Kruskal's Algorithm Outputs Some **MINIMUM** Spanning Tree (cont.)

Claim: For all $0 \leq i \leq k$, $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_i\} \subseteq T_i$ for **some** MST T_i .

- Since T is a spanning tree, it must have some other edge (call it e') which was added in place of e_{i+1} .
- It follows that $T_i + e_{i+1}$ must have a cycle!
- Note that $w(T - e' + e_{i+1}) = w(T) - w(e') + w(e)$.
- Since we considered e_{i+1} before e' , and the edges were sorted by weight, we know $w(e) \leq w(e') \iff w(e) - w(e') \leq 0$.
- So,

$$w(T - e' + e_{i+1}) = w(T) - w(e') + w(e) \leq w(T)$$

This means that $T - e' + e_{i+1}$ has no more than the weight of any MST!

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Kruskal's Algorithm Outputs Some **MINIMUM** Spanning Tree (cont.)

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Finally, choose $T_{i+1} = T - e' + e_{i+1}$.

- We already know it has the weight of an MST.
- Note that e connects the same nodes as e' ; so, it's also a spanning tree.

That's it! For each i , we found an MST that extends the previous one. So, the last one must also be an MST!

- Sort takes $\mathcal{O}(n \lg n)$
- We don't know how UnionFind works, but if we know...
 - find is $\mathcal{O}(\lg n)$
 - union takes $\mathcal{O}(1)$ time

$$\text{The runtime is } \mathcal{O}(|E| \lg(|E|) + |E| \lg(|V|))$$

Due to time constraints, we won't explore how union-find works, but you can do some very interesting amortized analysis with it...