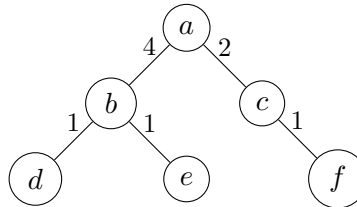


- P1) You are given a tree  $T$  where every edge  $e$  has weight  $w_e \geq 0$ . Design a polynomial time algorithm to find the weight of maximum weight matching in  $T$ . Remember that a matching  $M$  is a set of edges of  $T$  such that any vertex of  $T$  is incident to *at most* one edge of  $M$ .



For example, in the (above) tree, the maximum weight matching has edges  $(a, b), (c, f)$  with weight  $4 + 1 = 5$ .