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## Spanning subgraph

- Subgraph of a graph  $G$  containing all the vertices of  $G$

## Spanning tree

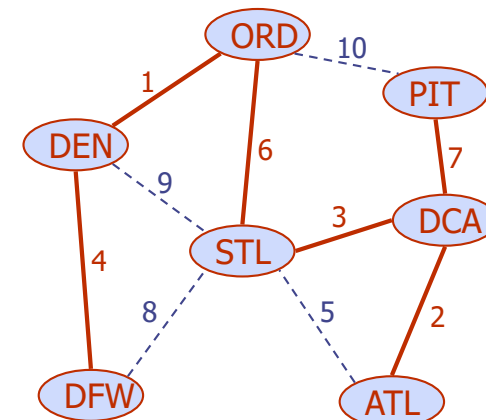
- Spanning subgraph that is itself a (free) tree

## Minimum spanning tree (MST)

- Spanning tree of a weighted graph with minimum total edge weight

## Applications

- Communications networks
- Transportation networks



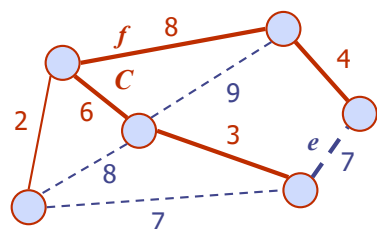
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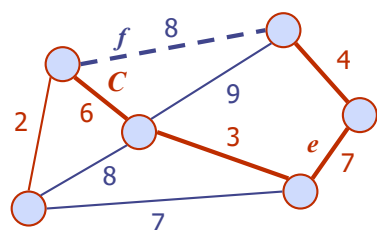
- Let  $T$  be a minimum spanning tree of a weighted graph  $G$
- Let  $e$  be an edge of  $G$  that is not in  $T$  and  $C$  let be the cycle formed by  $e$  with  $T$
- For every edge  $f$  of  $C$ ,  $weight(f) \leq weight(e)$

## Proof:

- By contradiction
- If  $weight(f) > weight(e)$  we can get a spanning tree of smaller weight by replacing  $e$  with  $f$



Replacing  $f$  with  $e$  yields a better spanning tree



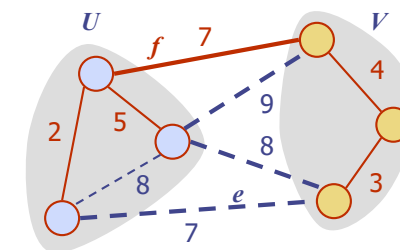
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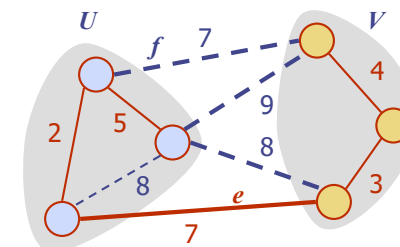
- Consider a partition of the vertices of  $G$  into subsets  $U$  and  $V$
- Let  $e$  be an edge of **minimum** weight across the partition
- There is a minimum spanning tree of  $G$  containing edge  $e$

## Proof:

- Let  $T$  be an MST of  $G$
- If  $T$  does not contain  $e$ , consider the cycle  $C$  formed by  $e$  with  $T$  and let  $f$  be an edge of  $C$  across the partition
- By the cycle property,  $weight(f) \leq weight(e)$
- Thus,  $weight(f) = weight(e)$
- We obtain another MST by replacing  $f$  with  $e$

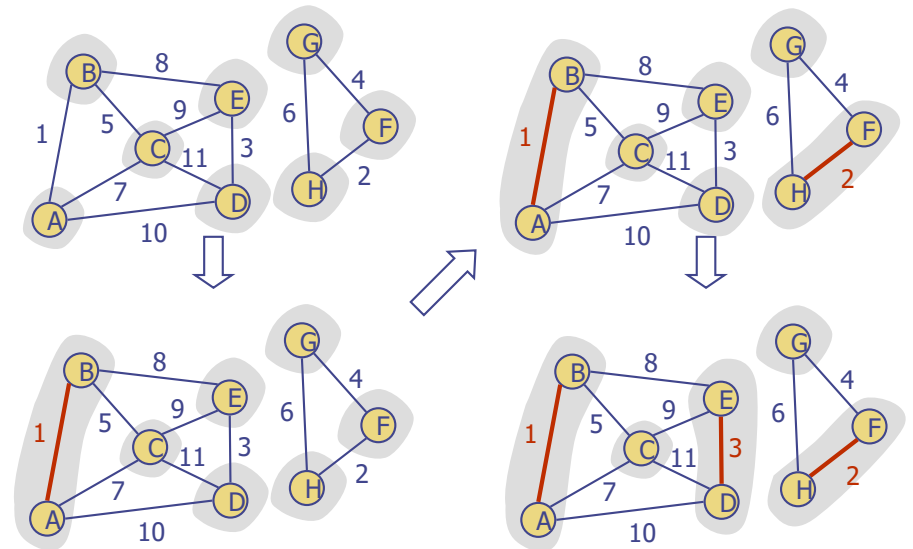


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# Kruskal's Algorithm

# Kruskal's Algorithm: Example

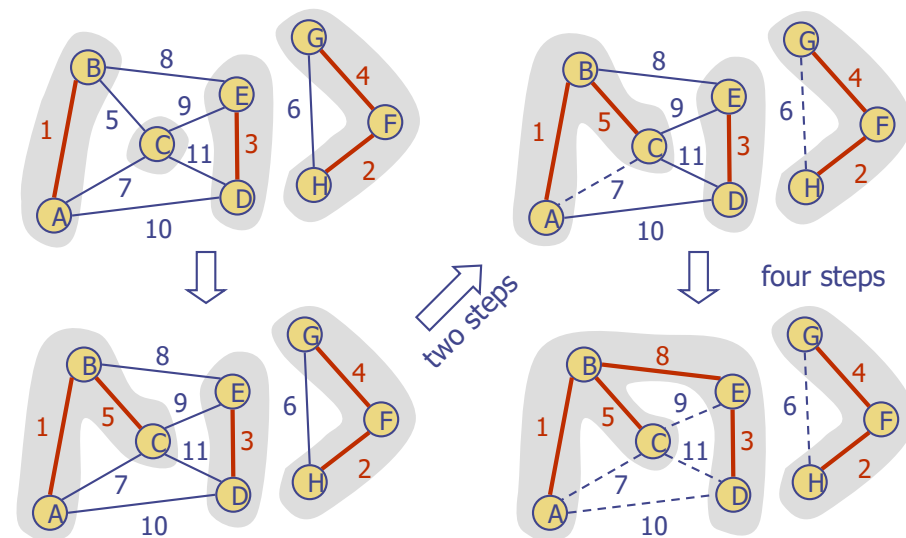


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# Example (contd.)

# Kruskal's Algorithm



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- Maintain a partition of the vertices into clusters
  - Initially, single-vertex clusters
  - Keep an MST for each cluster
  - Merge "closest" clusters and their MSTs
- A priority queue stores the edges outside clusters
  - Key: weight
  - Element: edge
- At the end of the algorithm
  - One cluster and one MST (if connected)

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Algorithm KruskalMST(G)
for each vertex  $v$  in  $G$  do
    Create a cluster consisting of  $v$ 
let  $Q$  be a priority queue.
    Insert all edges into  $Q$ 
 $T \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
 $\{T$  is the union of the MSTs of the clusters $\}$ 
while  $T$  has fewer than  $n - 1$  edges do
     $e \leftarrow Q.removeMin().getValue()$ 
     $[u, v] \leftarrow G.endVertices(e)$ 
     $A \leftarrow getCluster(u)$ 
     $B \leftarrow getCluster(v)$ 
    if  $A \neq B$  then
        Add edge  $e$  to  $T$ 
         $mergeClusters(A, B)$ 
return  $T$ 
    
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## Data Structure for Kruskal's Algorithm

- ◆ The algorithm maintains a forest of trees
- ◆ A priority queue extracts the edges by increasing weight
- ◆ An edge is accepted if it connects distinct trees
- ◆ We need a data structure that maintains a **partition**, i.e., a collection of disjoint sets
  - To do this, we need a data structure for a **set**
  - These are covered in Ch. 11.4 (Page 533)

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## Set Operations

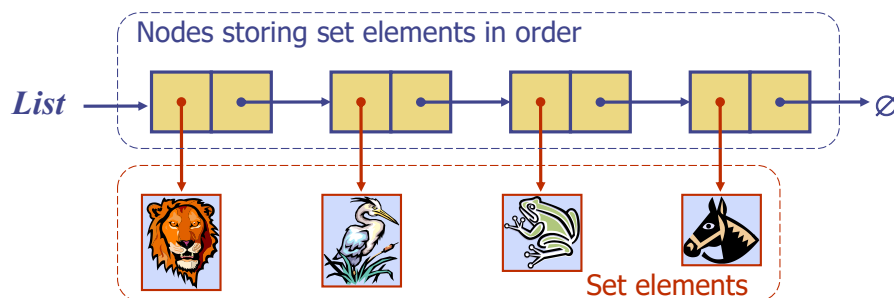
- ◆ We represent a set by the sorted sequence of its elements
- ◆ The basic set operations:
  - union
  - intersection
  - subtraction
- ◆ We consider
  - Sequence-based implementation



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## Example: Storing a Set in a Sorted List

- ◆ We can implement a set with a list
- ◆ Elements are stored sorted according to some canonical ordering
- ◆ The space used is  $O(n)$



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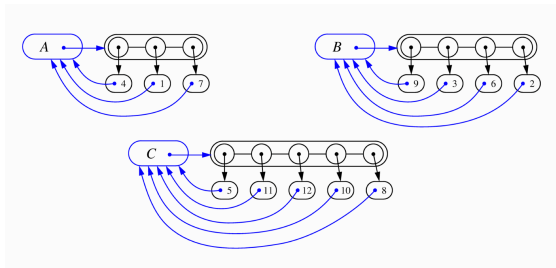
## Partitions with Union-Find Operations

- ◆ Partition: A collection of disjoint sets
- ◆ Partition ADT needs to support the following functions:
  - **makeSet**(x): Create a singleton set containing the element x and return the position storing x in this set
  - **union**(A,B): Return the set  $A \cup B$ , destroying the old A and B
  - **find**(p): Return the set containing the element at position p

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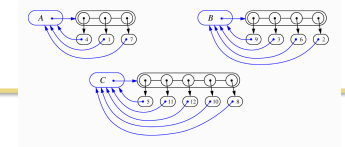
## List-based Partition (1)

- ◆ Each set is stored in a sequence (e.g., list)
- ◆ Partition: A collection of sequences
- ◆ Each element has a reference back to the set
  - Operation **find**(u): takes  $O(1)$  time, and returns the set of which  $u$  is a member.
  - Operation **union**(A,B): we move the elements of the smaller set to the sequence of the larger set and update their references
    - ◆ Time for operation **union**(A,B) is  $\min(|A|, |B|)$
    - ◆ Worst-case:  $O(n)$  for one union operation



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## List-based Partition (2)



- ◆ What about “amortized analysis”? (Page 539)

**Proposition 11.9:** *Performing a series of  $n$  makeSet, union, and find operations, using the sequence-based implementation above, starting from an initially empty partition takes  $O(n \log n)$  time.*

- ◆ Clearly, makeSet and find operation  $\rightarrow O(n)$
- ◆ Union operation
  - Each time we move a position from one set to another, the size of the new set at least doubles
  - Thus, each position is moved from one set to another at most  $\log n$  times
  - We assume that the partition is initially empty, there are  $O(n)$  different elements referenced in the given series of operations.  $\rightarrow$  The total time for all the union operations is  $O(n \log n)$

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## Partition-Based Implementation

- ◆ Partition-based version of Kruskal’s Algorithm
  - Cluster merges as unions
  - Cluster locations as finds
- ◆ Running time  $O((n + m) \log n)$ 
  - PQ operations  $O(m \log n)$ 
    - ◆ PQ initialization:  $O(m \log m)$
    - ◆ For each while loop
      - $O(\log m) = O(\log n)$
  - UF operations  $O(n \log n)$

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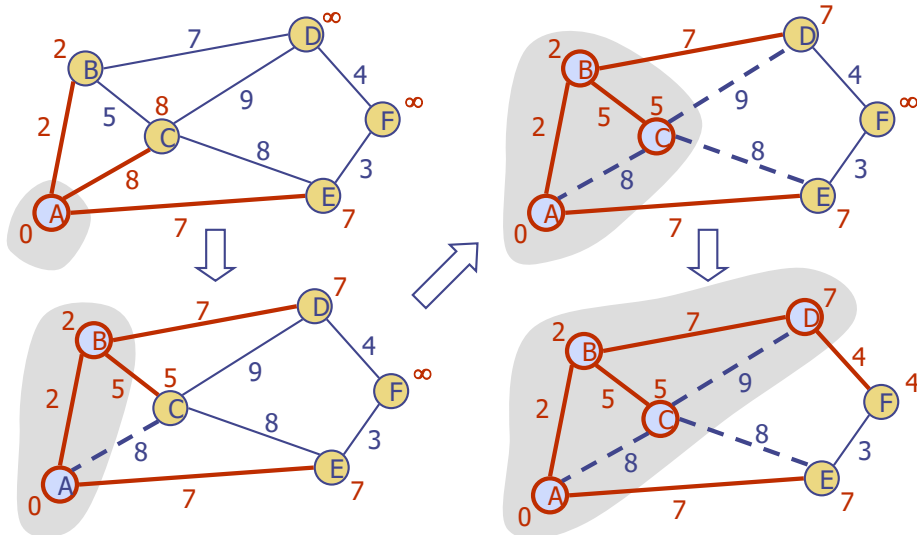
Algorithm KruskalMST(G)
Initialize a partition  $P$ 
for each vertex  $v$  in  $G$  do
     $P.makeSet(v)$ 
let  $Q$  be a priority queue.
Insert all edges into  $Q$ 
 $T \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
{ $T$  is the union of the MSTs of the clusters}
while  $T$  has fewer than  $n - 1$  edges do
     $e \leftarrow Q.removeMin().getValue()$ 
     $[u, v] \leftarrow G.endVertices(e)$ 
     $A \leftarrow P.find(u)$ 
     $B \leftarrow P.find(v)$ 
    if  $A \neq B$  then
        Add edge  $e$  to  $T$ 
         $P.union(A, B)$ 
return  $T$ 
    
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## Prim-Janik’s Algorithm

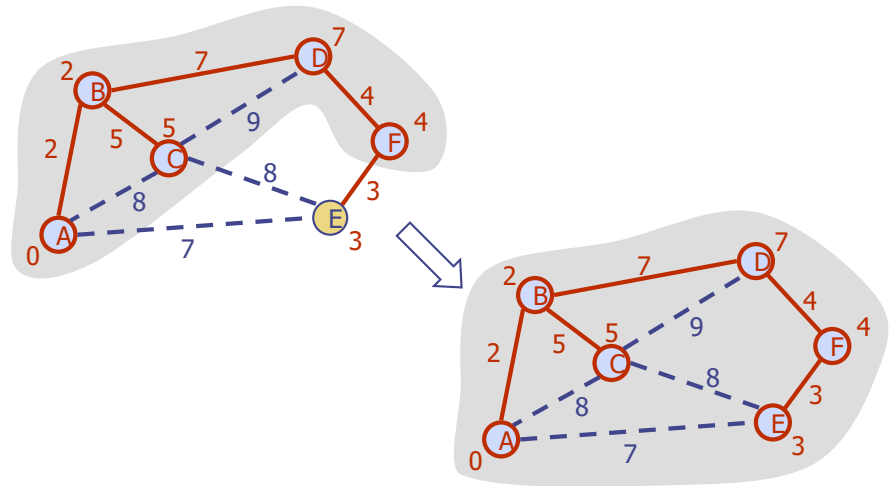
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## Example



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## Example (contd.)



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## Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm

- ◆ Similar to Dijkstra's algorithm
  - ◆ We pick an arbitrary vertex  $s$  and we grow the MST as a cloud of vertices, starting from  $s$
  - ◆ We store with each vertex  $v$  label  $d(v)$  representing the smallest weight of an edge connecting  $v$  to a vertex in the cloud
- (see the difference from Dijkstra's algorithm?)
- ◆ At each step:
    - We add to the cloud the vertex  $u$  outside the cloud with the smallest distance label
    - We update the labels of the vertices adjacent to  $u$

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## Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm (cont.)

- ◆ A heap-based adaptable priority queue with location-aware entries stores the vertices outside the cloud
  - Key: distance
  - Value: vertex
  - Recall that method `replaceKey(l,k)` changes the key of entry  $l$
- ◆ We store three labels with each vertex:
  - Distance
  - Parent edge in MST
  - Entry in priority queue

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Algorithm PrimJarnikMST(G)
 $Q \leftarrow$  new heap-based priority queue
 $s \leftarrow$  a vertex of  $G$ 
for all  $v \in G.vertices()$ 
  if  $v = s$ 
     $v.setDistance(0)$ 
  else
     $v.setDistance(\infty)$ 
     $v.setParent(\emptyset)$ 
     $l \leftarrow Q.insert(v.getDistance(), v)$ 
     $v.setLocator(l)$ 
while  $\neg Q.empty()$ 
   $l \leftarrow Q.removeMin()$ 
   $u \leftarrow l.getValue()$ 
  for all  $e \in u.incidentEdges()$ 
     $z \leftarrow e.opposite(u)$ 
     $r \leftarrow e.weight()$ 
    if  $r < z.getDistance()$ 
       $z.setDistance(r)$ 
       $z.setParent(e)$ 
       $Q.replaceKey(z.getEntry(), r)$ 
    
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# Analysis

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- ❑ Graph operations
  - Method `incidentEdges` is called once for each vertex
- ❑ Label operations
  - We set/get the distance, parent and locator labels of vertex  $z$   $O(\deg(z))$  times
  - Setting/getting a label takes  $O(1)$  time
- ❑ Priority queue operations
  - Each vertex is inserted once into and removed once from the priority queue, where each insertion or removal takes  $O(\log n)$  time (total  $n O(\log n)$ )
  - The key of a vertex  $w$  in the priority queue is modified at most  $\deg(w)$  times, where each key change takes  $O(\log n)$  time
- ❑ Prim-Jarnik's algorithm runs in  $O((n + m) \log n)$  time provided the graph is represented by the adjacency list structure
  - Recall that  $\sum_v \deg(v) = 2m$
- ❑ The running time is  $O(m \log n)$  since the graph is connected

# Questions?