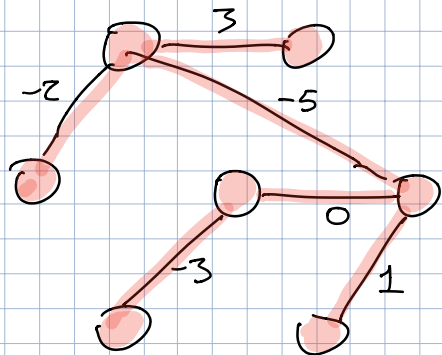


Midterm 2 - next Mon

Today's lecture won't be on the exam.

Minimum Spanning Trees



Assumption:

$$w(e) \neq w(e') \text{ iff } e \neq e'$$

\Rightarrow MST is unique

Strategy:

Forest $F \leftarrow (V, \emptyset)$

while F is disconnected

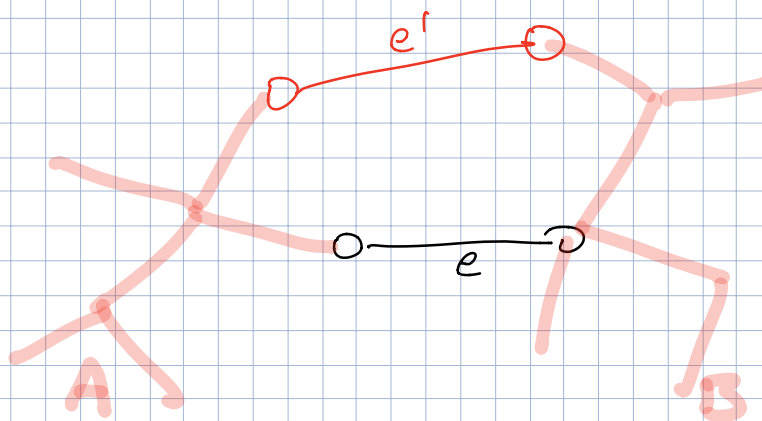
either
add a **safe** edge to F

or
delete a **useless** edge from G

safe =
min wt edge with
one end in some
component of F .

useless =
both ends in same
component of F

Lemma: Every safe edge is in the MST



e is lightest
edge leaving A

Suppose $e \notin \text{MST}$
but e' is.

e is safe for A
 $w(e) < w(e')$

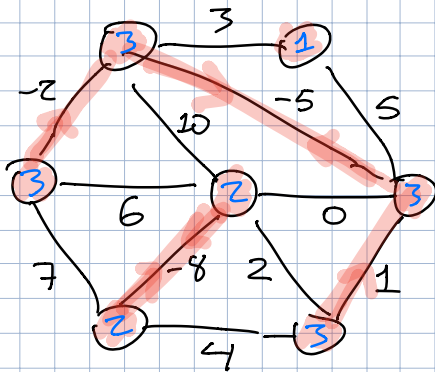
$T = \text{actual MST}$

$$T' = T - e' + e$$

another sp-tree.
smaller wt ✖

Borůvka 1926

1. Add all safe edges to $F \iff O(V+E)$ time
2. Recurse.



Label components of F
in $O(V)$ time by WFS

For each edge $uv \quad + O(E)$

if $\text{label}(u) \neq \text{label}(v)$

if $w(uv) \leq w(\text{Best}[\text{label}(u)])$

$\text{Best}[\text{label}(u)] \leftarrow uv$

sim for v

for $i \leftarrow 1$ to $\# \text{comps of } F$

add $\text{Best}(i)$ to F

How many rounds?

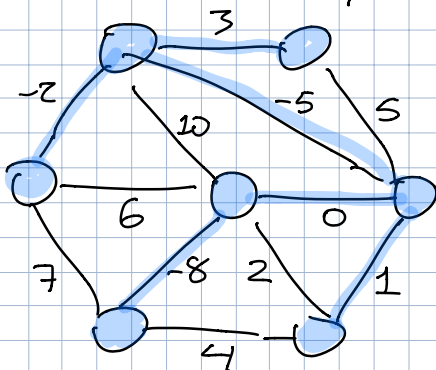
$O(\log V)$!

Every round divides
 $\# \text{comps}$ by 2!
or better!!

$$\Rightarrow O((V+E) \log V) = O(E \log V)$$

Jarník (1936) \rightarrow Prim (1956)

F has only one interesting component.



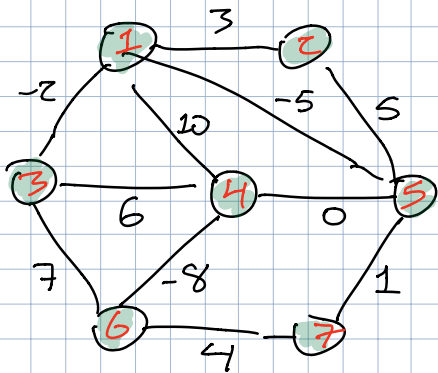
Best-first search

WFS with a priority queue
where $\text{priority}(uv) = w(uv)$

$$O(E \log V)$$

Fibonacci heap: $O(E + V \log V)$

Kruskal (1956)



Sort E by increasing wt $\leftarrow O(E \log E) = O(E \log V)$

for all edges $e \in E$
if e is not useless
add e to F

$\rightarrow O(E + V \log V)$

Maintain disjointset DS.

When add uv to F
 \rightarrow relabel smaller of two components.

Every node is relabeled $O(\log V)$ times

Werk harder $V \log V \rightarrow \boxed{V \alpha(V)}$

$\log n = \#$ reps of $x^{1/2}$ to get from n to 1

$\log^* n$	=	—————	\log
$\log^{**} n$			\log^*
$\log^{***} n$			\log^{**}

$\alpha(n)$ # stars s.t. $\log^{**...*} n \leq 2$