

# Priority Queue Implementations and Minimum Spanning Trees

CSE 101: Design and Analysis of Algorithms

Lecture 6

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- Priority queue implementations and minimum spanning trees
  - Reading: Sections 4.5 and 5.1
- Homework 2 is due today, 11:59 PM
- Quiz 1 is Oct 18, in class

# Dijkstra's algorithm, towards low-level

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$F$ : set of vertices we aren't sure of the distance to

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- Set  $\text{dist}(s)=0$  and move  $s$  from  $F$  to  $X$
- Repeat until  $F$  is empty or there are no edges from  $X$  to  $F$ :
  - Let  $w$  be the vertex in  $F$  with the minimum value:  
 $\text{dist}(v) + \ell(v, w)$  for all  $v$  in  $X$
  - Set  $\text{dist}(w) = \text{dist}(v) + \ell(v, w)$   
(Note: only need to keep track of best current edge to each vertex in  $F$ , so only one number per node in  $F$ . Can use same array,  $\text{dist}$  to keep track of this number)
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  - We will maintain the invariant that for all  $u \in F$ ,  $\text{dist}(u)$  is the minimum over all  $e = (v,u)$ ,  $v \in X$  of  $\text{dist}(v)+\ell(e)$
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For each  $u$  in  $F$ , maintain array  $\text{dist}$ :

$$\text{dist}(u) = \min_{\substack{(v,u) \in E \\ v \in X}} \text{dist}(v) + \ell(v, u)$$

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  - Move  $w$  from  $F$  to  $X$
  - Update  $\text{dist}(u)$  for all neighbors of  $w$

# Structures in Dijkstra's algorithm

- Graph  $G$ : How does it change? Where do we access it?
- Set  $X$ : How does it change? Where do we access it?
- Set  $F$ : How does it change? Where do we access it?

# Structures in Dijkstra's algorithm

- Graph  $G$ : no changes, need to list members
  - Adjacency list
- Set  $X$ : insert, check membership
  - Array of booleans
- Set  $F$ : Find and delete the element with minimum key,  $\text{dist}(u)$ . Decrease the keys of some elements  $u'$ .

# What do we keep track of?

- Instead of picking a theoretical minimum:
  - Let  $w$  be the vertex in  $F$  with the minimum value  $\text{dist}(v) + \ell(v, w)$  for all  $v$  in  $X$
- We only have to choose the vertex  $w$  that has the minimum dist value



# Priority queue

- A priority queue is a data structure of a set of objects (vertices) along with key values for each object that can be changed (alarm settings). Additionally, it can support the following operations.
  - insert
  - deletemin
  - decreasekey

# Array as a priority queue

- Array: indexed by vertex, giving key value [key(A),key(B),key(C),key(D),key(E),key(F)]
- insert
- deletemin
- decreasekey

# Array as a priority queue

- Array: indexed by vertex, giving key value  
R = [key(A),key(B),key(C),key(D),key(E),key(F)]

Let  $n = |V|$

- Insert  $O(1)$ 
  - initialize the array as an array of nulls
  - insert( $v$ , value).  $R[v] = \text{value}$ .
- deletemin  $O(n)$ 
  - Find minimum and change value to null
- decreasekey  $O(1)$ 
  - decreasekey( $v$ , value).  $R[v] = \text{value}$ .

# Array as a priority queue

- Dijkstra's algorithm

makequeue + deletemin  $\times$   $|V|$  + decreasekey  $\times$   $|E|$

– If we use an array, then it will take

$$O(|V|) + O(|V|) |V| + O(1) |E| = O(|V|^2 + |E|) = O(|V|^2)$$

# Runtime of Dijkstra's algorithm

```
procedure dijkstra(G,ℓ,s)
for all u in V
  dist(u) := infinity
  prev(u) := nil
dist(s) := 0
H := makequeue(V)
while H is not empty
  u := deletemin(H)
  for all edges (u,v) in E
    if dist(v) > dist(u) + ℓ(u,v) then
      dist(v) := dist(u) + ℓ(u,v)
      prev(v) := u
      decreasekey(H,v)
```

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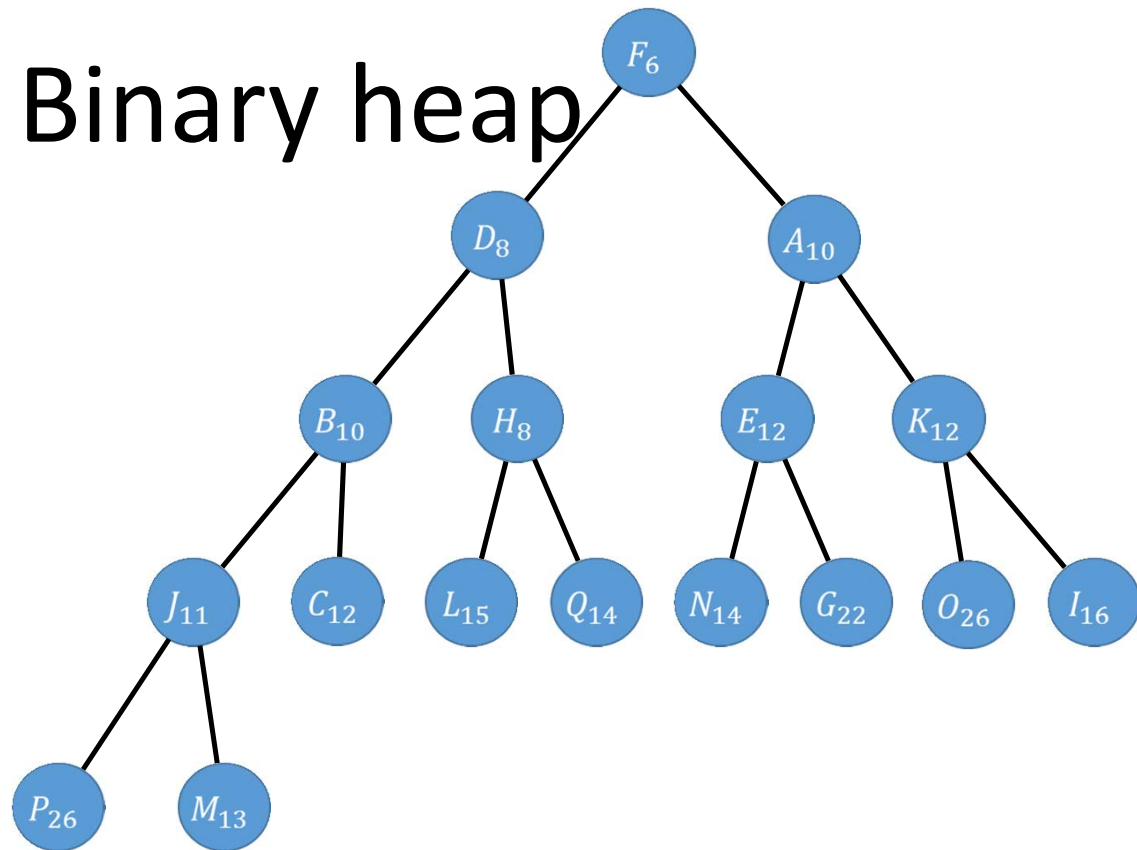
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Initialize  $O(|V|)$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{deletemin} \times |V| + \text{decreasekey} \times |E| \\ &= O(|V|) \times |V| + O(1) \times |E| \\ &= O(|V|^2) \end{aligned}$$

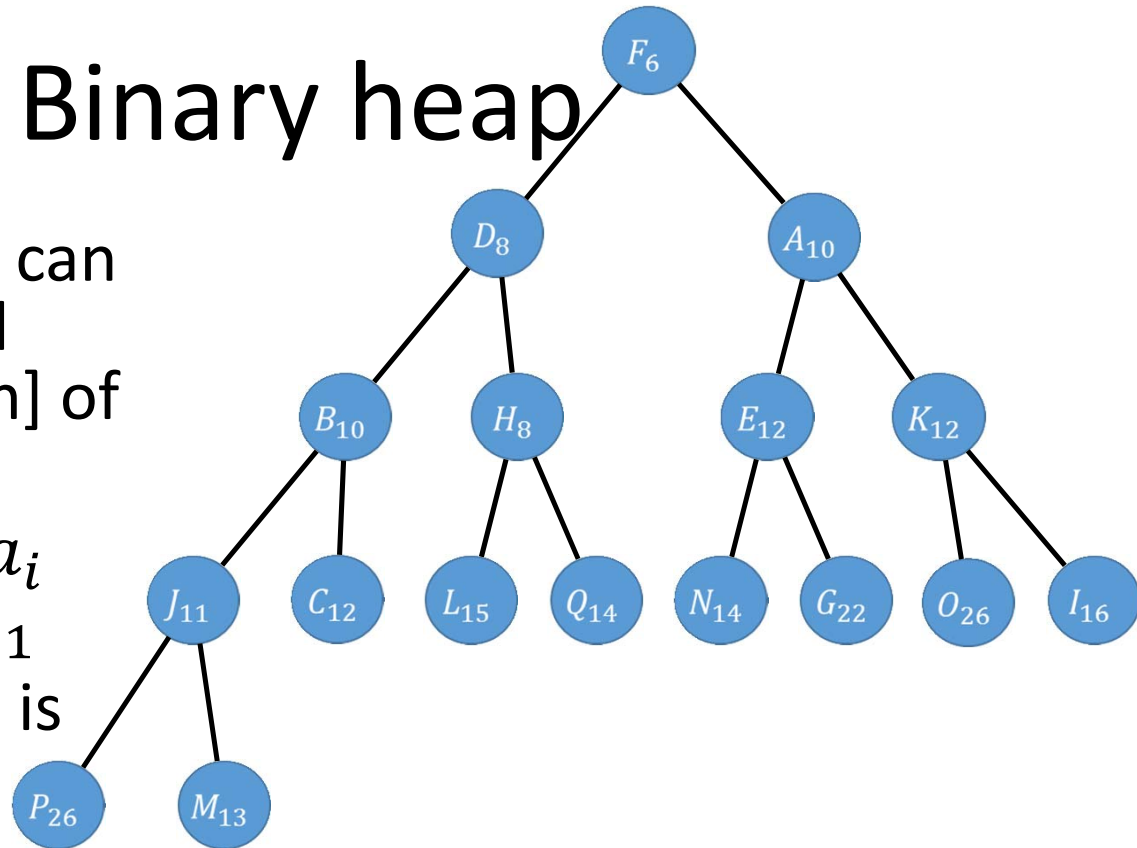
# Binary heap

- A complete binary tree of objects (vertices) with the property that each key value of an object is less than the key value of its child



# Binary heap

- The binary heap can be implemented with an array  $a[n]$  of vertices
- The children of  $a_i$  are  $a_{2i}$  and  $a_{2i+1}$
- The parent of  $a_i$  is  $a_{\lfloor i/2 \rfloor}$

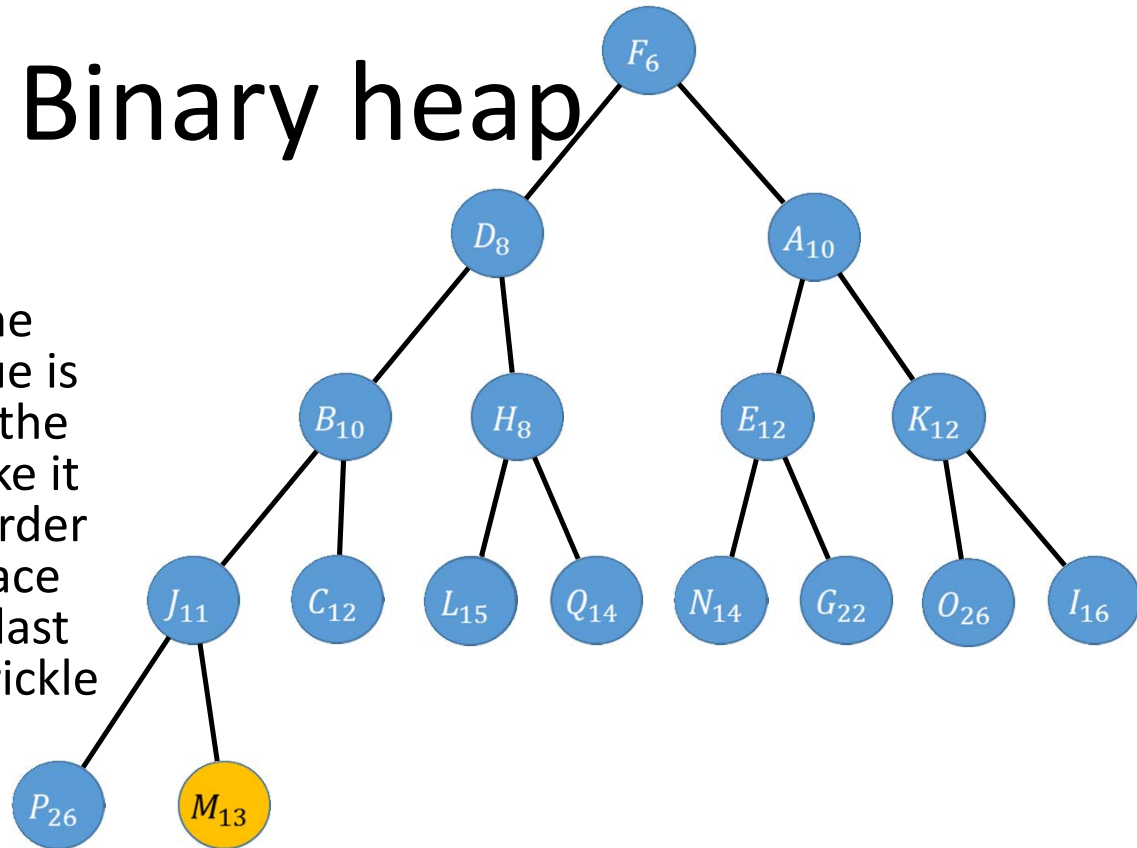


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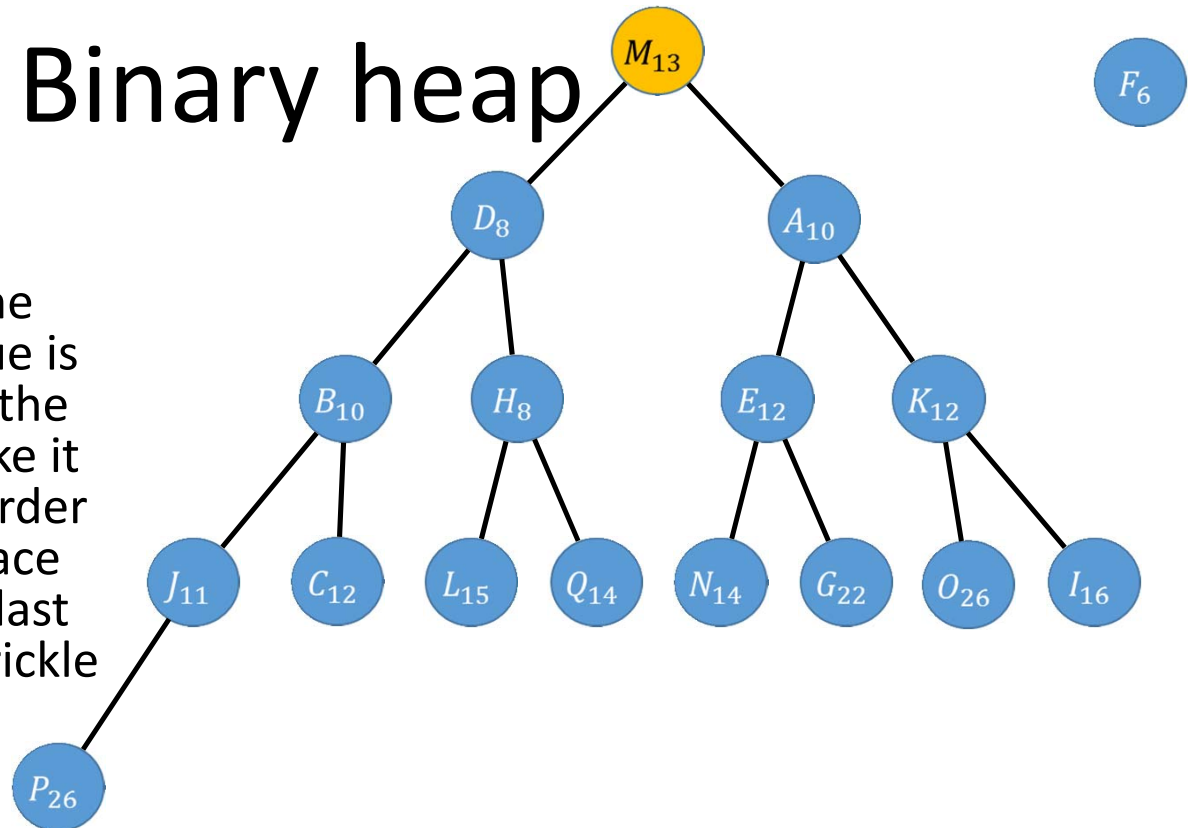
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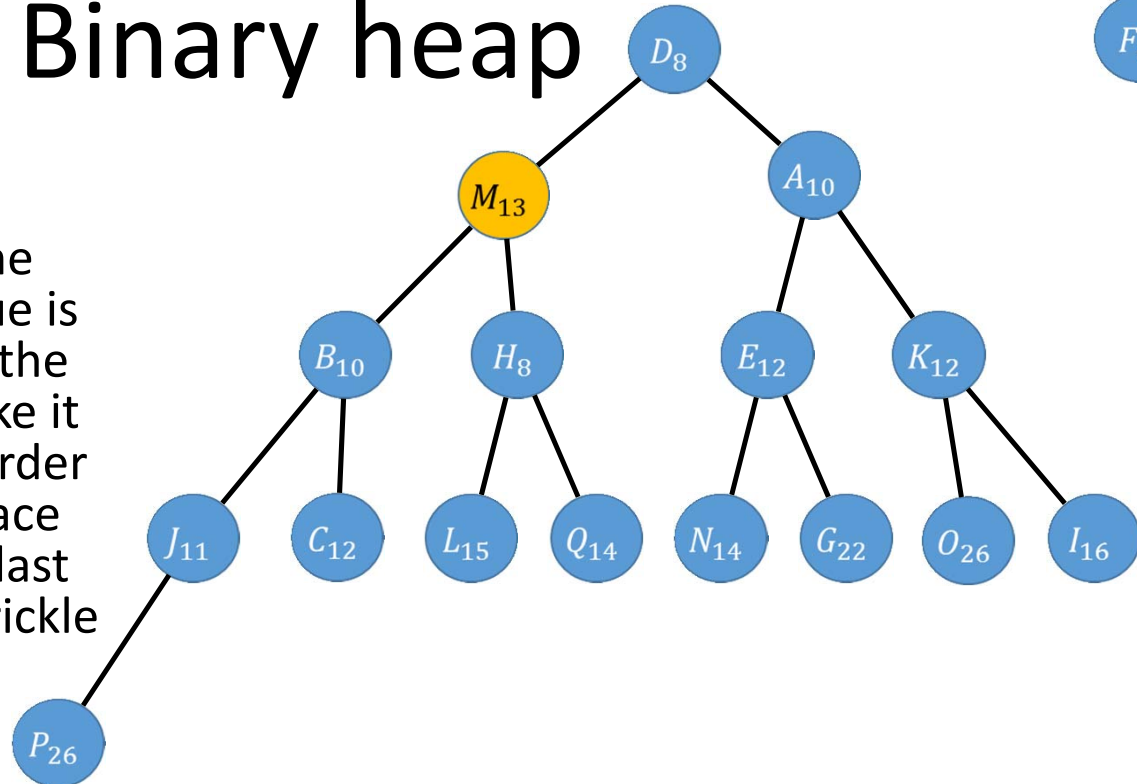


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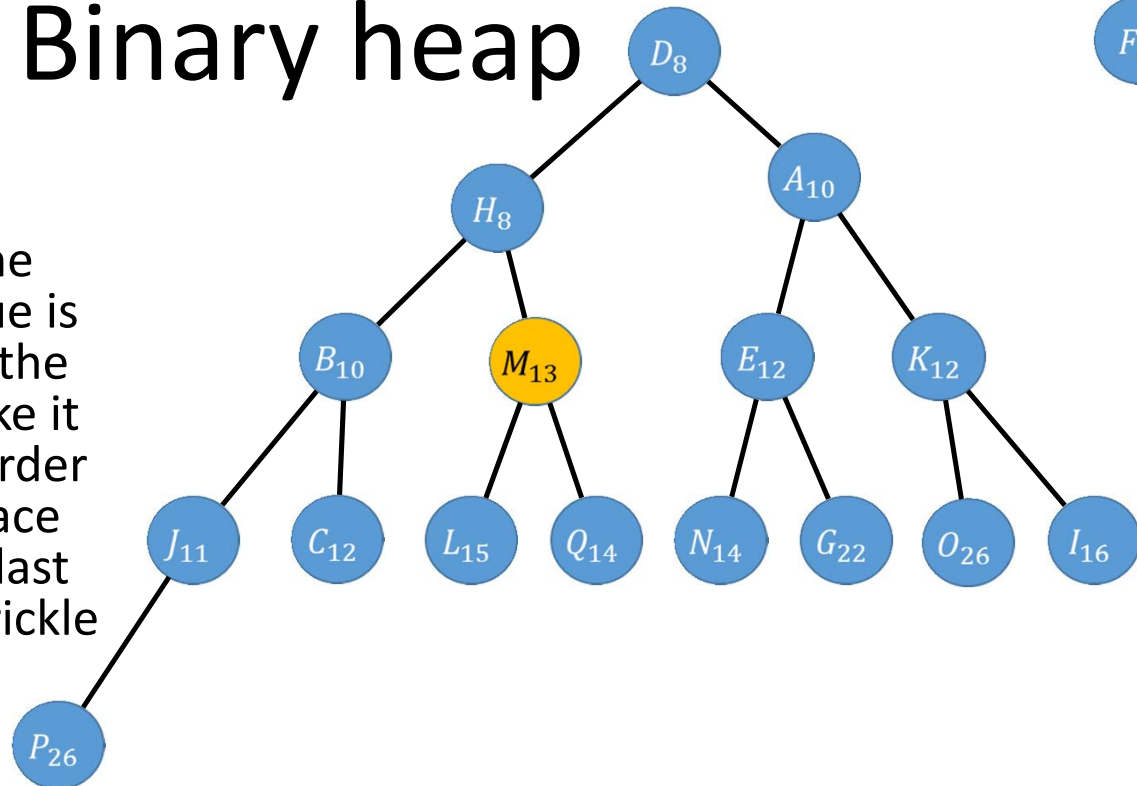


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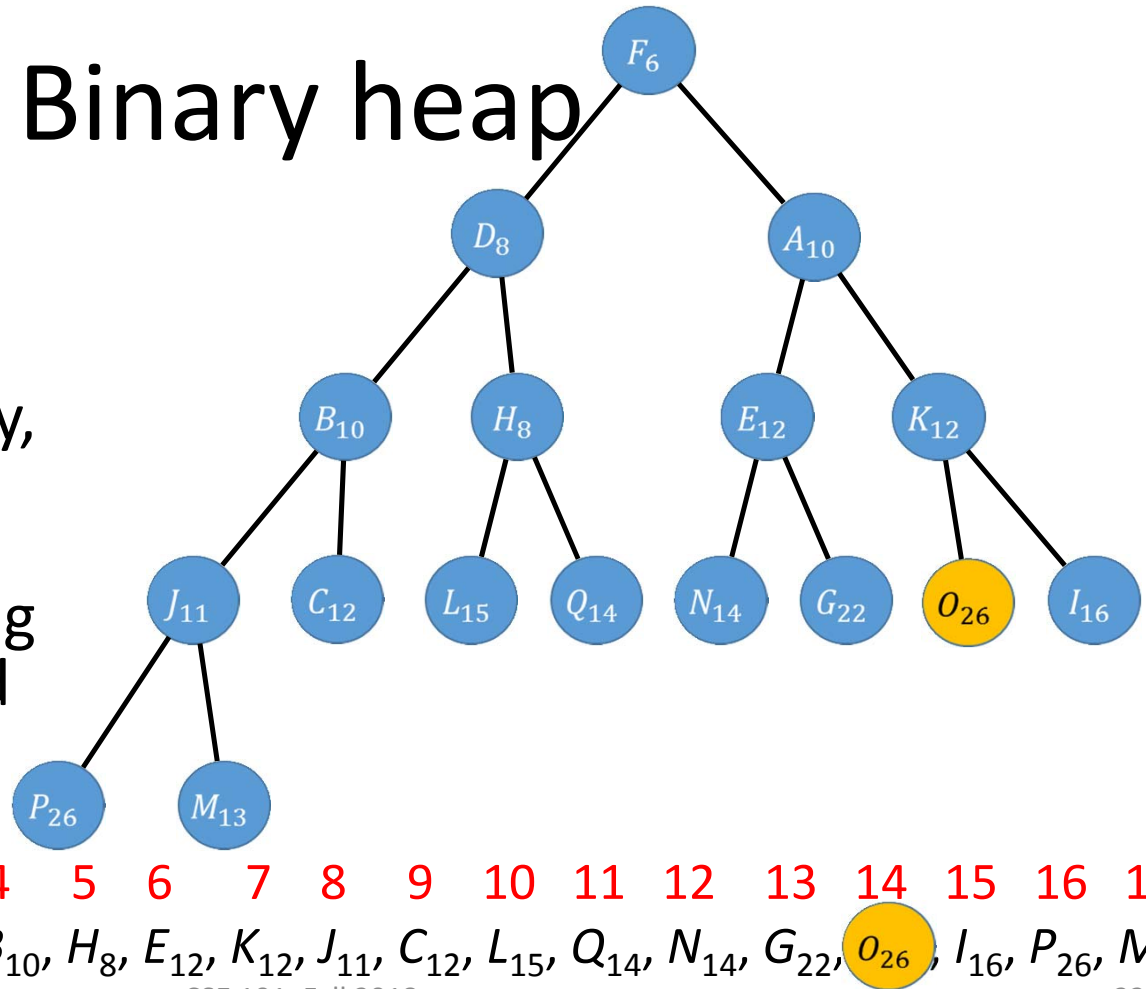
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# Binary heap

- delete min
  - When the last object is put in as the root, it may trickle down the entire length of the heap, the time taken is  $O(\log(n))$  where  $n$  is the number of objects in the heap
  - When performing Dijkstra's algorithm, the number of objects in the heap is  $|V|$  so the time taken is  $O(\log(|V|))$

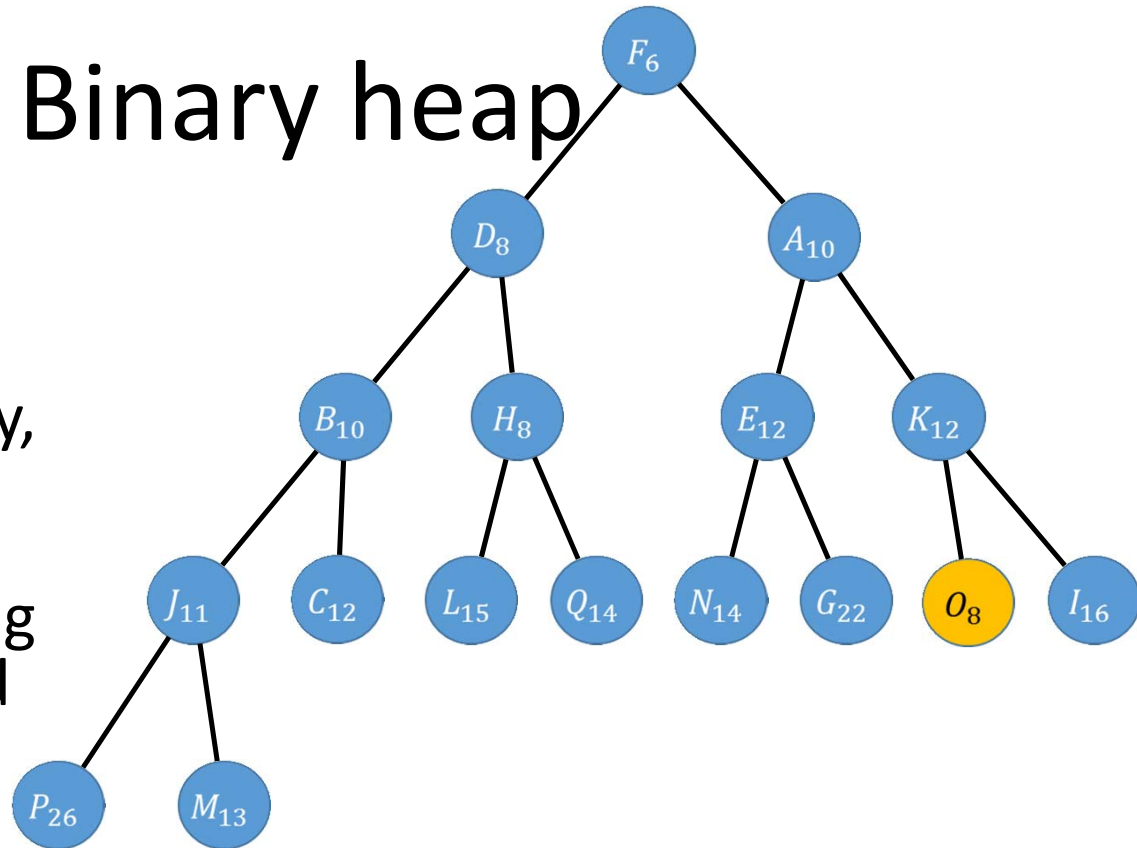
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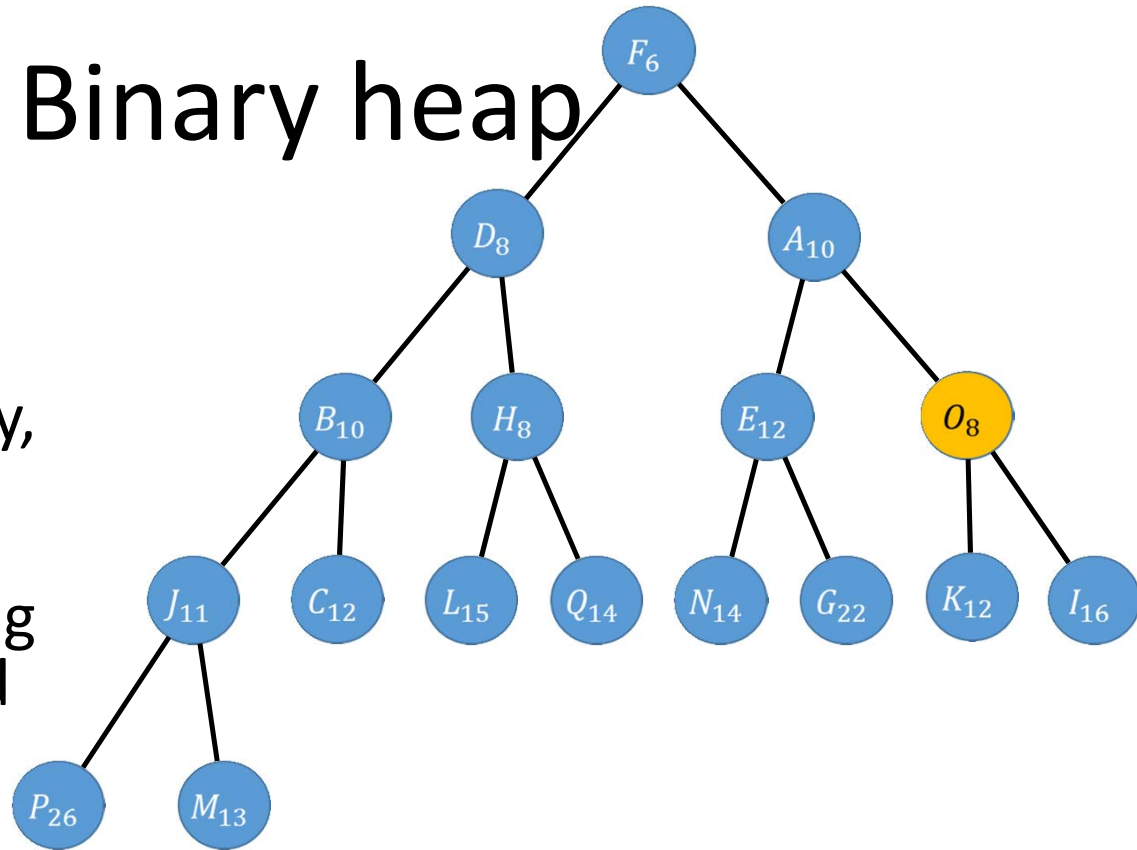
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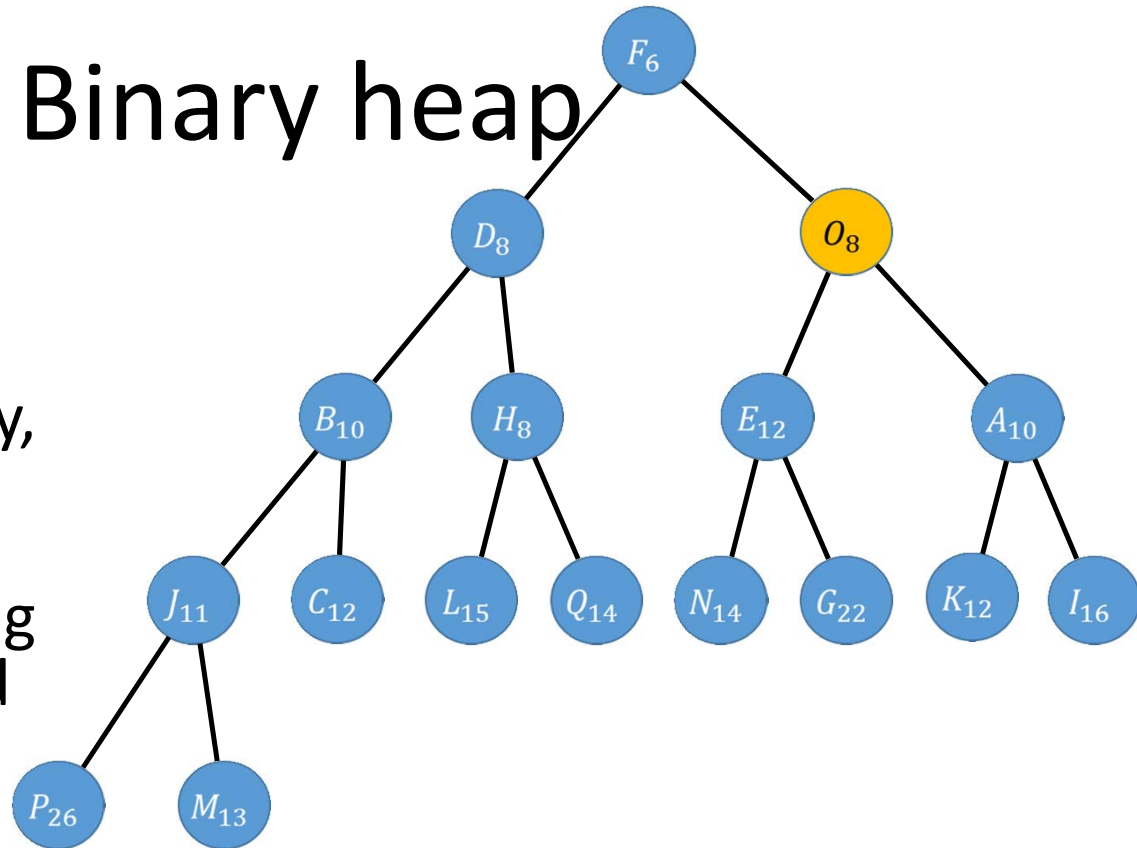


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# Binary heap

- decreasekey
  - But, how do we know where  $v$  is in the binary heap?
  - Keep a supplemental array indexed by  $v$ , and keep pointers in both directions between this array and binary heap elements

# Binary heap

- decreasekey
  - When the object decreases key, it may bubble up the entire heap, the time taken is  $O(\log(n))$  where  $n$  is the number of objects in the heap
  - When performing Dijkstra's algorithm, the number of objects in the heap is  $|V|$  so the time taken is  $O(\log(|V|))$

# Binary heap as a priority queue

- Dijkstra's algorithm

makequeue + deletemin  $\times$   $|V|$  + decreasekey  $\times$   $|E|$

– If we use a binary heap, then it will take

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

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

# Dijkstra's algorithm with different priority queues

- Runtime of array  
 $O(|V|^2)$
- Runtime of binary heap  
 $O((|V| + |E|) \log(|V|))$
- Runtime of Fibonacci heap  
 $O(|V| \log(|V|) + |E|)$

# Advantages of flexibility

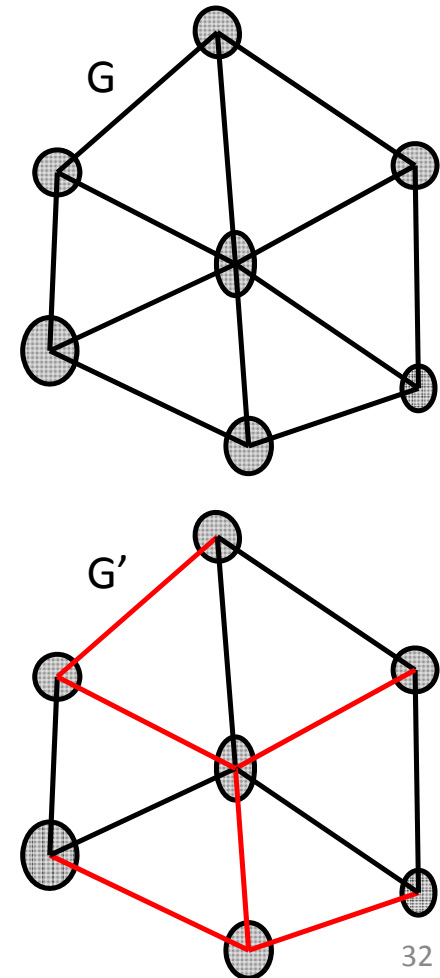
- By working with a higher level version of the algorithm, we can understand what is going on without getting caught up in details
- Flexibility allows us to fit data structures to be efficient for the given circumstance

	Array	Binary heap
Dense graphs: $ E  = O( V ^2)$	$O( V ^2)$	$O( V ^2 \log  V )$
Sparse graphs	$O( V ^2)$	$O(( V  +  E ) \log  V )$

# MINIMUM SPANNING TREES

# Spanning trees

- A spanning tree of an undirected graph  $G=(V,E)$  is a subgraph  $G'=(V,E')$  such that  $G'$  is a tree and all vertices in  $V$  are connected
- An output tree of depth-first search or breadth-first search is a spanning tree





# Example

- Suppose you have a network of computers that were linked pairwise
- Suppose each link has a positive maintenance cost
- Your job is to cut some links so that the cost of the network is minimized and the network stays connected

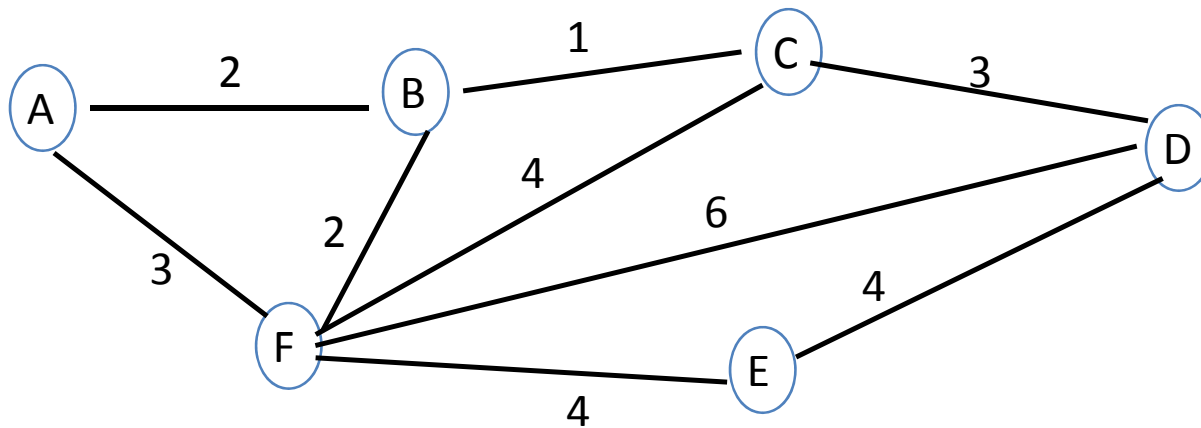
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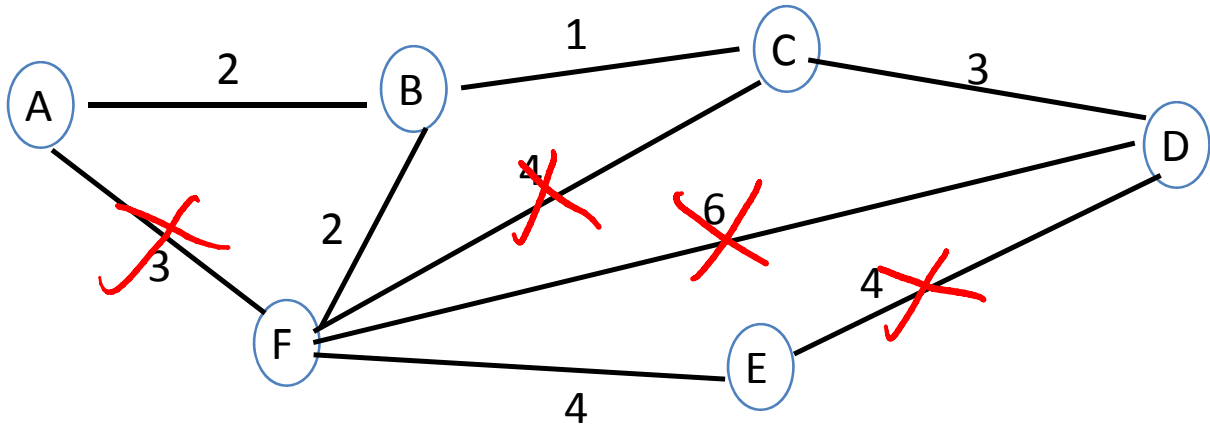
- When is a connected undirected graph not a tree?
  - Suppose it was not a tree -> there is a cycle
  - Removing any cycle edge does not disconnect the graph
  - Removing any cycle edge will decrease cost without disconnection

# Example



Greedy rule: which edge should we pick first?

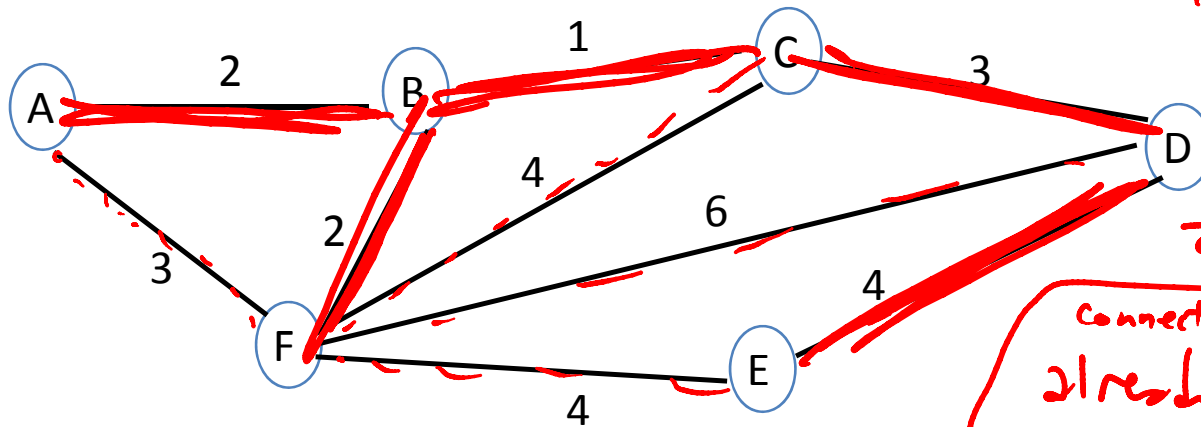
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delete the maximum edge if it doesn't disconnect the graph.

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# Example



Keep adding in  
the smallest  
edge as long  
as it doesn't

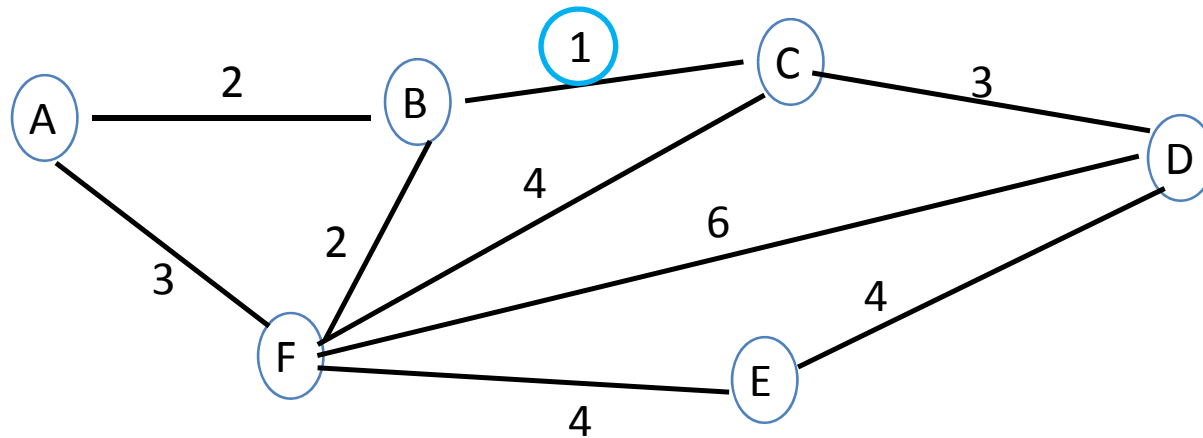
connect two vertices  
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create a cycle

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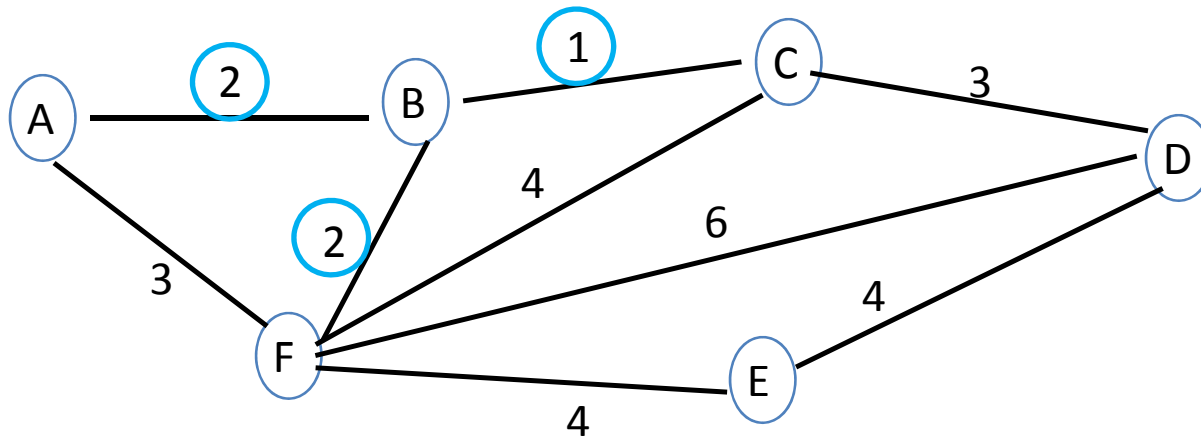
until graph is  
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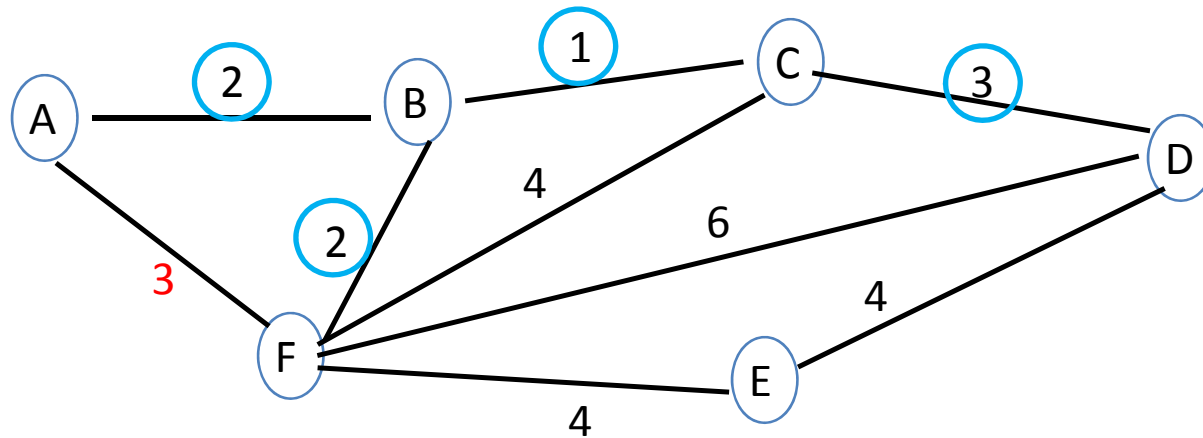
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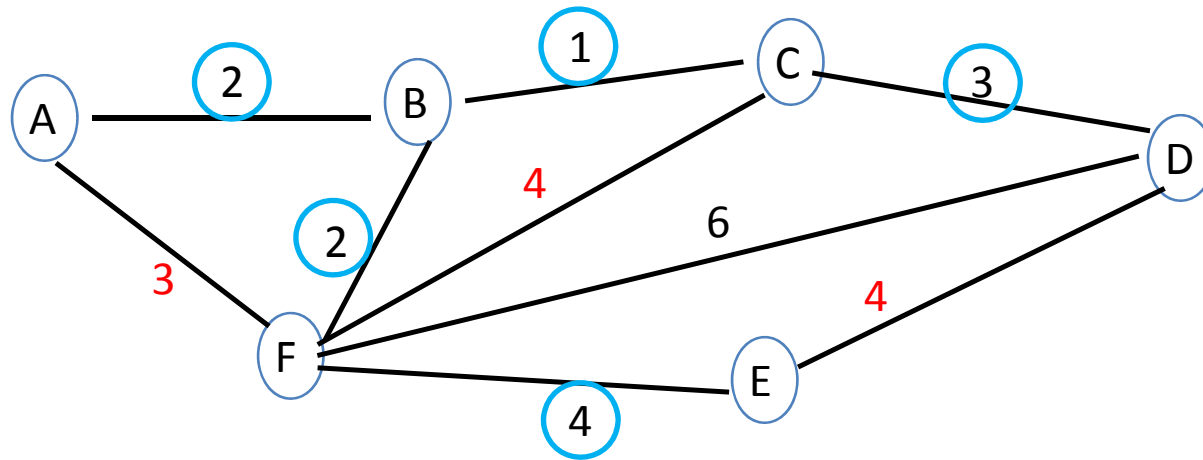
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*Pick the smallest weight edge unless its vertices are already connected*

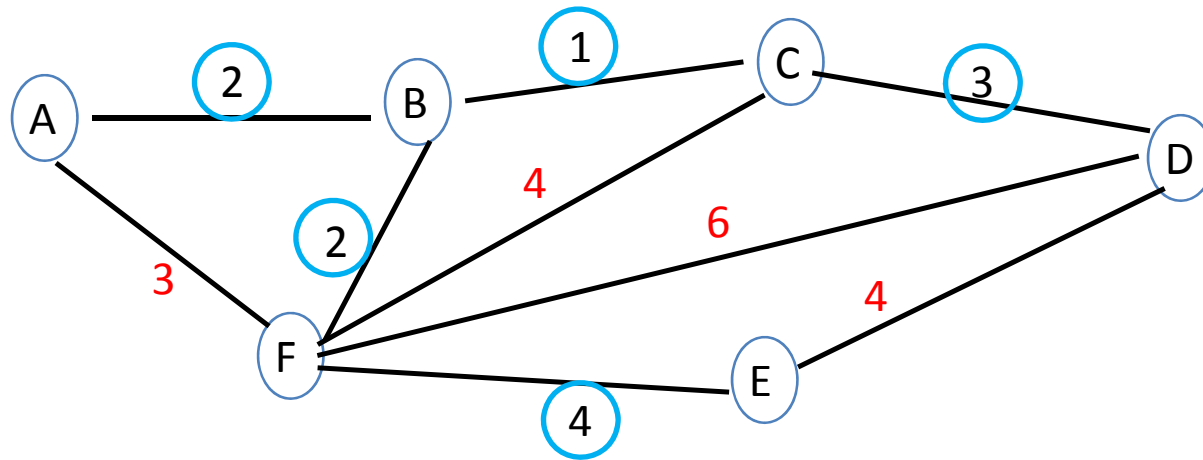
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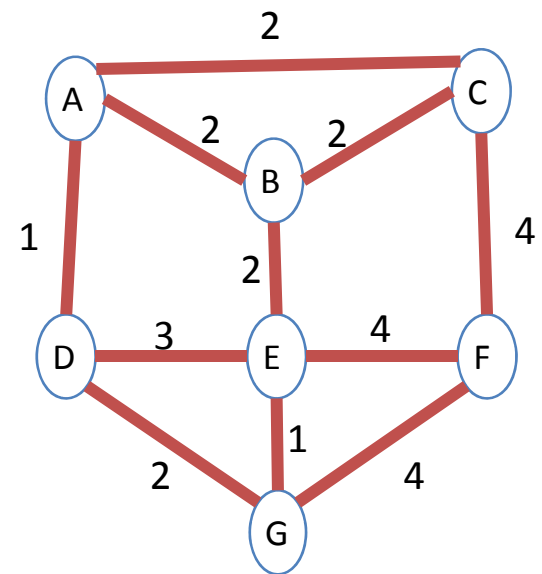


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## Kruskal's algorithm for finding the minimum spanning tree

- Start with a graph with only the vertices (no edges)
- Repeatedly add the next lightest edge that does not form a cycle



# High-level to mid-level

- High level Kruskal's algorithm
  - Given an undirected, connected graph with positive edge weights
  - Start with only the vertices
  - Repeat until graph is connected:
    - Add the lightest edge that does not create a cycle
      - Run depth-first search
- With your neighbors, discuss how to implement Kruskal's algorithm
  - At this level, just describe what you want the data structures to do, not actually how to implement them. We will leave those details until later.

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- How do we know which edge is the lightest edge?
- How do we know that particular edge does not create a cycle?

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  - Sort
- How do we know that particular edge does not create a cycle?
  - Remove  $e$  from the graph to get a new graph  $G'$ . Run explore on  $G'$  from one of the end-points of  $e$  and if the other endpoint is visited, then return True, else return False.

# How to implement Kruskal's algorithm

Start with an empty graph  $R$  (only vertices, no edges)

Sort edges by weight from smallest to largest  $O(|E| \log|E|)$

For each edge  $e$  in sorted order:

If  $e$  does not create a cycle in  $R$  **then**  $O(|V| + |E|)$ ,  $|E|$  times

Add  $e$  to  $R$

**otherwise**

do not add  $e$  to  $R$

**Total time:**  $O(|E| \log|E|) + O(|E| (|V| + |E|))$

- How do we tell if adding an edge will create a cycle?
  - Remove  $e$  from the graph to get a new graph  $G'$ . Run explore on  $G'$  from one of the end-points of  $e$  and if the other endpoint is visited, then return True, else return False.  $O(|V| + |E|)$



# Telling if an edge is in a cycle

- How do we tell if adding an edge will create a cycle?
- Homework 2, problem 2.  $O(|V| + |E|)$
- Need to test for every edge,  $|E|$  times

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**otherwise**

Total time:  $O(|E| \log |E| + |E|^2) = O(|E|^2)$

do not add  $e$  to  $R$

- Every graph we want to check is a forest so there are  $O(|V|)$  edges
- Since input is connected,  $|V| = O(|E|)$
- In the worst case, we have to check every edge, so  $|E|$  times

# Disjoint sets data structure (DSDS)

- What can it do?
- Given a set of objects, DSDS manage partitioning the set into disjoint subsets
- It does the following operations:
  - `makeset(S)`: puts each element of  $S$  into a set by itself
  - `find(u)`: returns the name of the subset containing  $u$
  - `union(u,v)`: unions the set containing  $u$  with the set containing  $v$

# Kruskal's algorithm using a DSDS

procedure kruskal( $G, w$ )

Input: undirected connected graph  $G$  with edge weights  $w$

Output a set of edges  $X$  that defines a minimum spanning tree of  $G$

makeset( $V$ )

$X = \{ \}$

Sort the edges in  $E$  in increasing order by weight

For all edges  $(u, v)$  in  $E$

if  $\text{find}(u) \neq \text{find}(v)$ : [Separate connected components](#)

Add edge  $(u, v)$  to  $X$

union( $u, v$ )

# Next lecture

- Minimum spanning trees and union-find
  - Reading: Section 5.1