

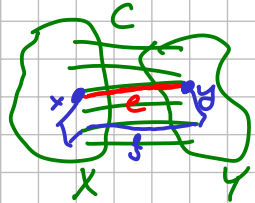
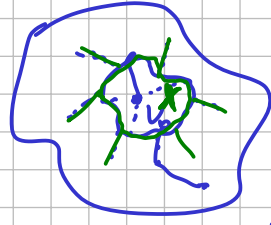
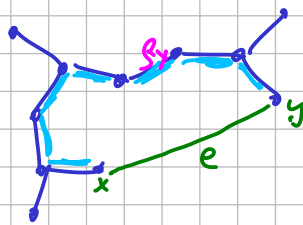
weighted graph $w: E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ WSLOG Ineditive

Minimum Spanning Tree: $\min w(T)$

$T[x,y]$ $T[e]$

e is T -light $\equiv \exists f \in T[e]: w(f) > w(e)$

$\exists e$ is T -light $\Rightarrow T$ is not minimum
(by exchange)



1930s
 Jarník's algorithm
 (Dijkstra's...)

1. $T \leftarrow \{v_0\}$
2. While $|T| < n$:
3. Select lightest $uv \in E$ s.t. $u \in T, v \notin T$
4. $T \leftarrow T \cup \{e\}$

\odot If G is connected, J.a. finds a spanning tree.

Thm: J.a. finds a MST.

Proof: By cut lemma, every edge added to T is in all MSTs.

So $T \subseteq$ every MST.

Since all trees have $n-1$ edges, spanning

$T =$ every MST.

Cut Lemma (Blue lemma):

Let $C = E(x,y)$ be an elementary cut, $e \in C$ lightest edge of the cut T an arbitrary MST.

Then $e \in T$.

Proof: Assume the contrary.

Let $f \in T[e] \cap C$.

$T' = T - f + e$ is another ST
 & $w(f) > w(e) \Rightarrow w(T') < w(T)$ \downarrow

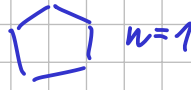
Uniqueness Thm: The MST is unique.

Thm: T is the MST \Leftrightarrow there are no T -light edges

\hookrightarrow values of weights don't matter, only the order

\hookrightarrow we just use an edge comparison oracle (running in const. time)

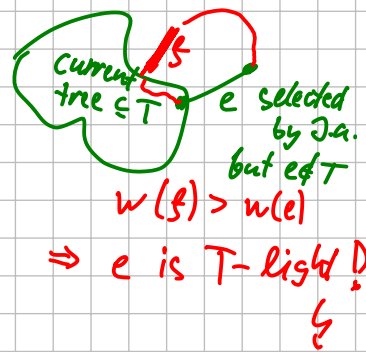
Non-unique weights: multiple MSTs:



\hookrightarrow " \leq " is not a linear order

\rightarrow break ties arbitrarily, e.g., compare $(w(e), id(e))$ lexicographically

if there are no T -light edges, then J.a. outputs T .
 If not, stop J.a. at the first moment it selects an edge $e \notin T$.



Red-Blue (McA) Algorithm

1. All edges uncolored.

2. Repeat as long as possible:

3. either: Find e lightest in some elementary cut & not blue and color it blue. } blue rule

or: Find e heaviest on some cycle & not red and color it red. } red rule

Blue lemma: blue \in MST

Red lemma: red \notin MST

So no edge is re-colored.

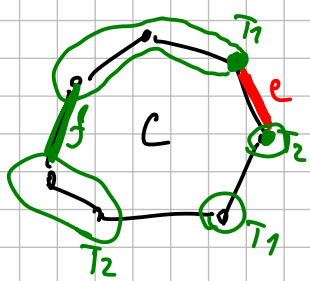
So the alg. stops after $\leq m$ steps.

Rainbow lemma: when the alg. stops, all edges are colored.

So blue edges = MST.

Red lemma: If e is heaviest on some cycle C , then $e \notin MST$.

Proof: By contradiction ... $e \in T$, T is the MST



$T - e$ has two components T_1, T_2

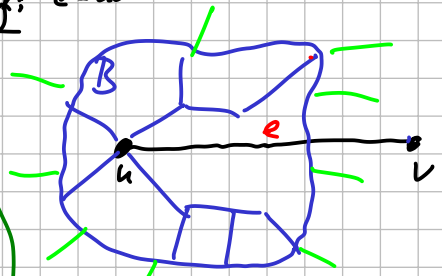
There is some other $f \in C$ with one vertex in T_1 and the other in T_2 .

So $T' := T - e + f$ is again a ST
But $w(T') < w(T) \hookrightarrow$

Rainbow lemma:

If $\exists e \in E$ unclosed, the alg. can continue.

Proof: $e = uv$



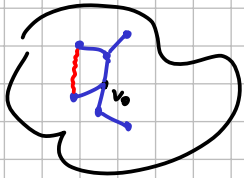
$B :=$ Subgraph reachable from u by blue edges

If $v \in B$: red rule on e

Else: consider cut (B, \bar{B})
cut $\neq \emptyset$ because $e \in$ cut
cut has no blue edges
blue rule on this cut

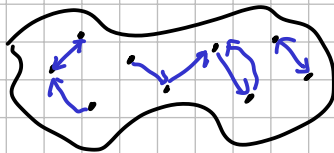
Classical MST algs

① Darnik grows a blue tree



basic: $O(n \cdot m)$
with a heap: $O(m \log n)$

② Borůvka (1926)



blue forest

in every step, every tree
select the lightest incident edge

steps $\leq \log n$

(in a step, # trees decreases at least twice)

time $O(m \log n)$

③ Kruskal's Alg.

Sort edges by weight: $w(e_1) < w(e_2) < \dots < w(e_m)$

$T \leftarrow \emptyset$

For $i = 1 \dots m$:

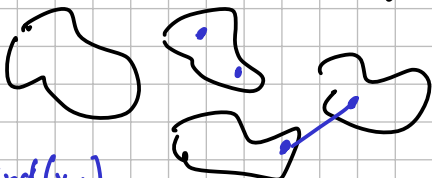
If $T + e_i$ is acyclic: $T \leftarrow T + e_i$

endpoints of e_i lie in different components of T

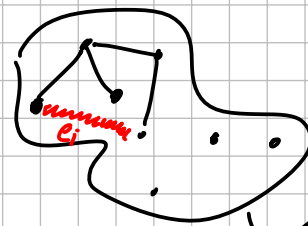
naive: $O(m \cdot n)$

better: use Union-Find data structure

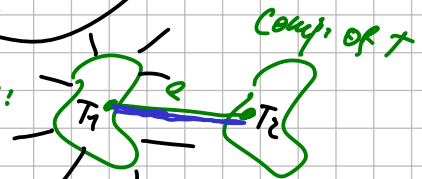
D.S. for maintaining connected components under insertion of edges



Find(x, y): are x, y in the same component?
Union(x, y): adds xy to E

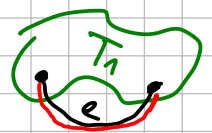


adding edge:



e is the first edge of the cut considered
 $\Rightarrow e$ is lightest of cut

dropping edge:



e is considered after all of T_1
 $\Rightarrow e$ is heaviest on the cycle in $T_1 + e$

Union-Find: Represent each component by a shrub (rooted tree oriented towards the root)

$$v(\text{shrub}) \leftrightarrow v(\text{component})$$

Find(x,y): Locates roots of shrubs & compares them.

Union(x,y): Locates the roots x', y'

If $x' \neq y'$: add edge between x', y' arbitrarily

Union by Rank

rank: $V \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$
at the start: $\text{rank}(x) \leq 0$

In Union:



if $r(x') > r(y')$:
make x' parent of y'
& keep the ranks

if $r(x') = r(y')$:
Choose arbitrarily,
 $r(\text{new root}) = r + 1$



Ranks of roots = shrub heights



A shrub with root of rank r contains at least 2^r vertices

ranks $\leq \log n$

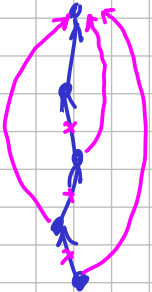
heights $\leq \log n$

guarantees U & F

in $O(\log n)$ time

Kruskal's alg. runs in $O(m \log n)$ time

Path Compression



Claims: ① P.C. without U. by R. $\rightarrow O(\log n)$ amort. time per op.

② both P.C. & U. by R. $\rightarrow O(\alpha(n)) \leq O(\log^* n)$

the inverse Ackermann function

$$\log^* n := \min k: 2^{\uparrow k} \geq n$$

for path of length l :
 $O(l)$ to find the root
 $O(l)$ to compress the path

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 2^{\uparrow k} &= 2^{2^{\uparrow^{k-1}}} \\ 2^{\uparrow 1} &= 2 \\ 2^{\uparrow (k+1)} &= 2^{2^{\uparrow k}} \end{aligned} \right\} k$$