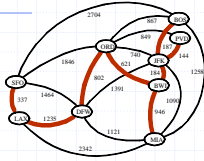


# Minimum Spanning Trees



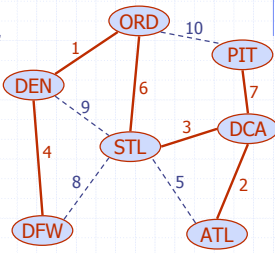
# Outline and Reading



- ◆ Minimum Spanning Trees (§12.7)
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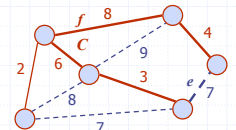
# Minimum Spanning Tree

- 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

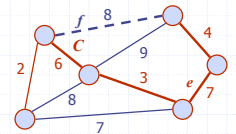


# Cycle Property

- Cycle Property:**
- 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  $C$ ,  $weight(f) \geq weight(e)$
- Proof:**
- By contradiction
  - If  $weight(f) > weight(e)$  we can get a spanning tree of smaller weight by replacing  $e$  with  $f$

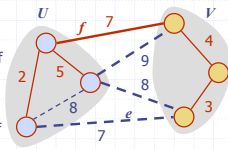


Replacing  $f$  with  $e$  yields a better spanning tree

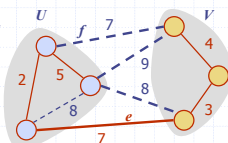


# Partition Property

- Partition Property:**
- 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  $e$



Replacing  $f$  with  $e$  yields another MST



# Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm

- ◆ Similar to Dijkstra's algorithm (for a connected graph)
- ◆ We pick an arbitrary vertex  $s$  and we grow the MST as a cloud of vertices, starting from  $s$
- ◆ We store with each vertex  $v$  a label  $d(v)$  = the smallest weight of an edge connecting  $v$  to a vertex in the cloud
- ◆ 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  $u$



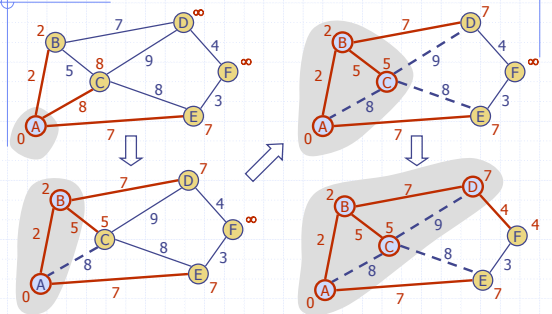
## Prim-Jarnik's Algorithm (cont.)

- ◆ A priority queue stores the vertices outside the cloud
  - Key: distance
  - Element: vertex
- ◆ Locator-based methods
  - `insert(k,e)` returns a locator
  - `replaceKey(l,k)` changes the key of an item
- ◆ We store three labels with each vertex:
  - Distance
  - Parent edge in MST
  - Locator in priority queue

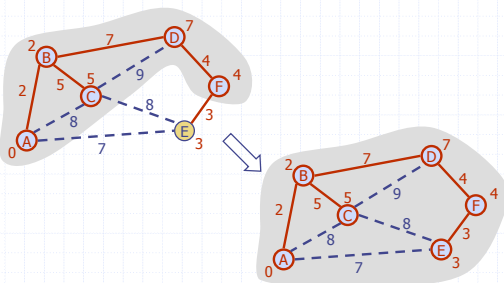
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Algorithm PrimJarnikMST(G)
Q ← new heap-based priority queue
s ← a vertex of G
for all v ∈ G.vertices()
    if v = s
        setDistance(v, 0)
    else
        setDistance(v, ∞)
        setParent(v, ∅)
        l ← Q.insert(getDistance(v), v)
        setLocator(v, l)
while ¬Q.isEmpty()
    u ← Q.removeMin()
    for all e ∈ G.incidentEdges(u)
        z ← G.opposite(u, e)
        r ← weight(e)
        if r < getDistance(z)
            setDistance(z, r)
            setParent(z, e)
            Q.replaceKey(getLocator(z), r)
    
```

## Example



## Example (contd.)



## Analysis

- ◆ 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
  - 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

## Kruskal's Algorithm

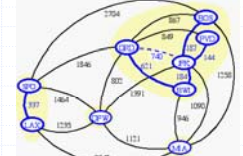
- ◆ A priority queue stores the edges outside the cloud
  - Key: weight
  - Element: edge
- ◆ At the end of the algorithm
  - We are left with one cloud that encompasses the MST
  - A tree  $T$  which is our MST

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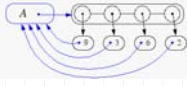
Algorithm KruskalMST(G)
for each vertex  $V$  in  $G$  do
    define a  $Cloud(v)$  of  $\leftarrow \{v\}$ 
let  $Q$  be a priority queue.
    Insert all edges into  $Q$  using their weights as the key
     $T \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
    while  $T$  has fewer than  $n-1$  edges do
        edge  $e = T.removeMin()$ 
        Let  $u, v$  be the endpoints of  $e$ 
        if  $Cloud(v) \neq Cloud(u)$  then
            Add edge  $e$  to  $T$ 
            Merge  $Cloud(v)$  and  $Cloud(u)$ 
    return  $T$ 
    
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## Data Structure for Kruskal Algorithm

- ◆ The algorithm maintains a forest of trees
- ◆ 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, with the operations:
  - find**( $u$ ): return the set storing  $u$
  - union**( $u, v$ ): replace the sets storing  $u$  and  $v$  with their union



## Representation of a Partition



- ◆ Each set is stored in a sequence
- ◆ 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.
  - in operation `union(u,v)`, we move the elements of the smaller set to the sequence of the larger set and update their references
  - the time for operation `union(u,v)` is  $\min(n_u, n_v)$ , where  $n_u$  and  $n_v$  are the sizes of the sets storing  $u$  and  $v$
- ◆ Whenever an element is processed, it goes into a set of size at least double, hence each element is processed at most  $\log n$  times

## Partition-Based Implementation

- ◆ A partition-based version of Kruskal's Algorithm performs cloud merges as unions and tests as finds.

### Algorithm Kruskal(G):

**Input:** A weighted graph  $G$ .

**Output:** An MST  $T$  for  $G$ .

Let  $P$  be a partition of the vertices of  $G$ , where each vertex forms a separate set.

Let  $Q$  be a priority queue storing the edges of  $G$ , sorted by their weights

Let  $T$  be an initially-empty tree

**while**  $Q$  is not empty **do**

$(u,v) \leftarrow Q.\text{removeMinElement}()$

**if** `find(u) != find(v)` **then**

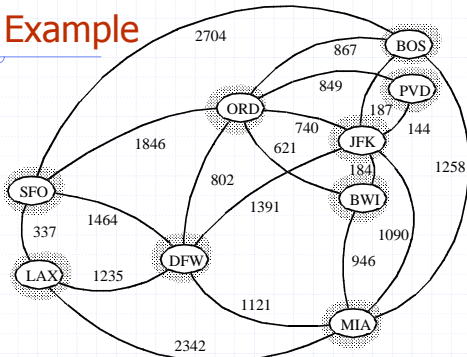
        Add  $(u,v)$  to  $T$

$P.\text{union}(u,v)$

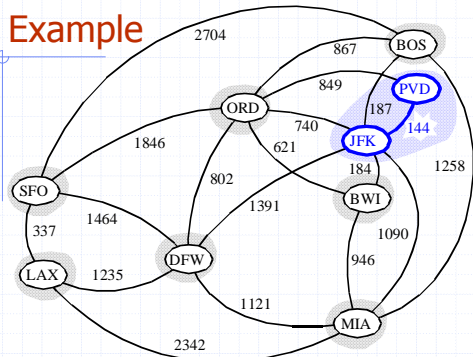
**return**  $T$

Running time:  
 $O((n+m)\log n)$

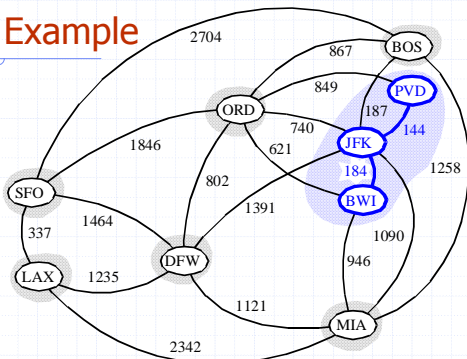
## Kruskal Example



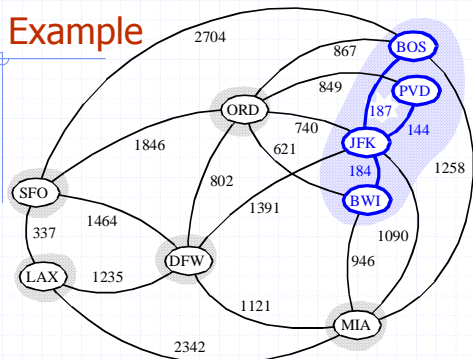
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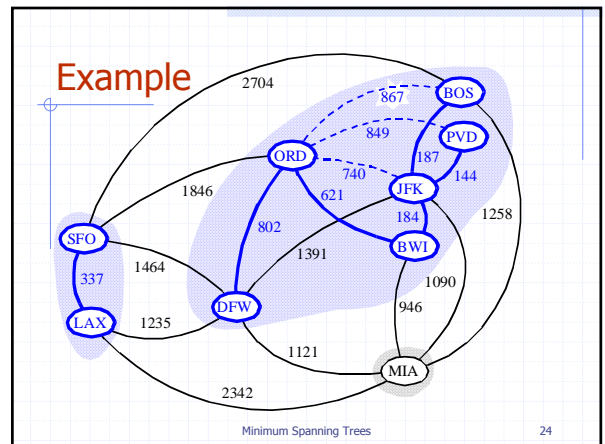
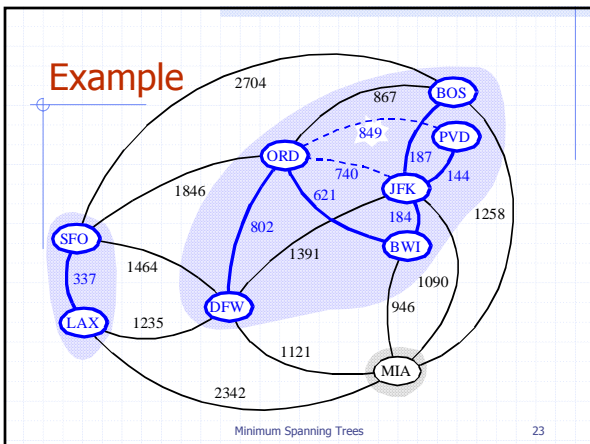
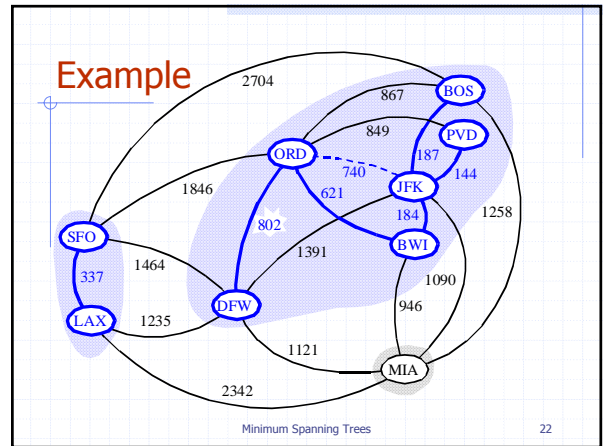
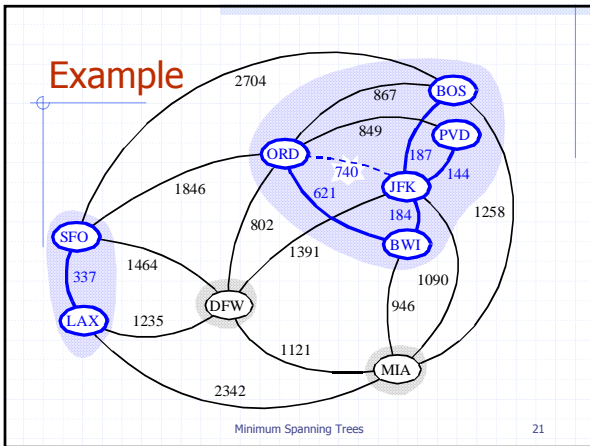
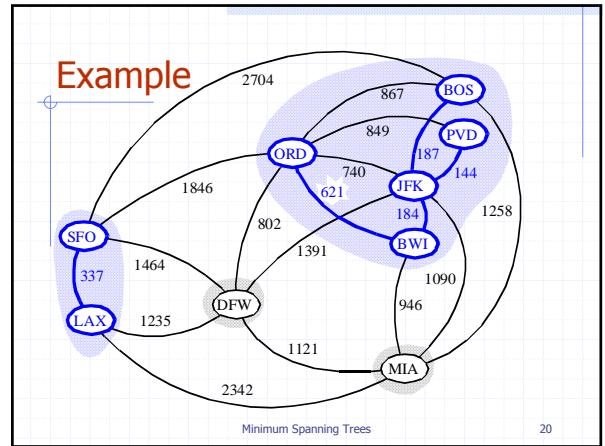
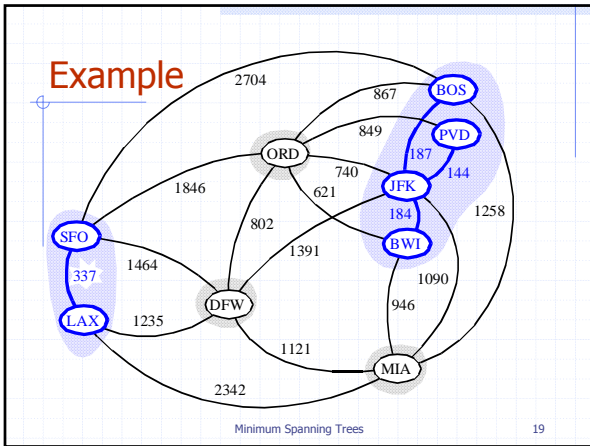


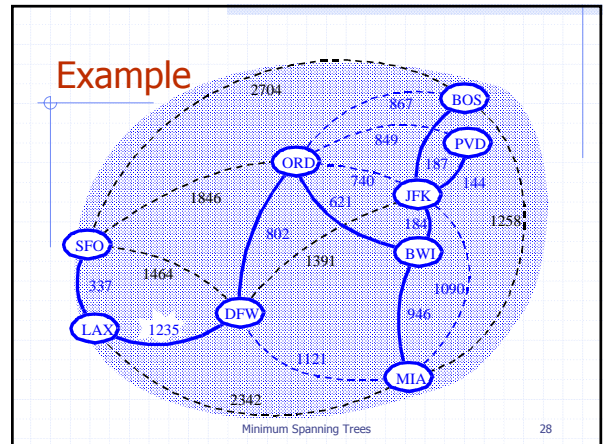
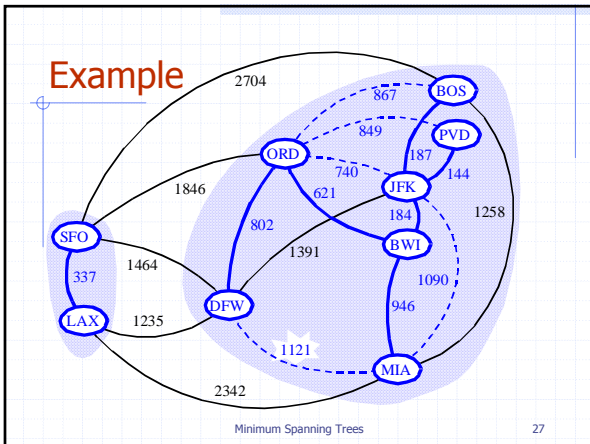
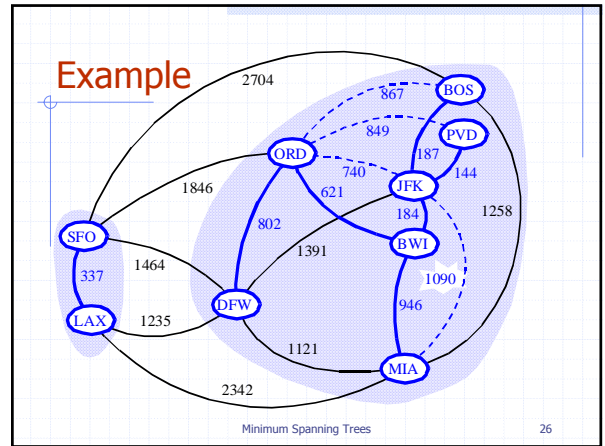
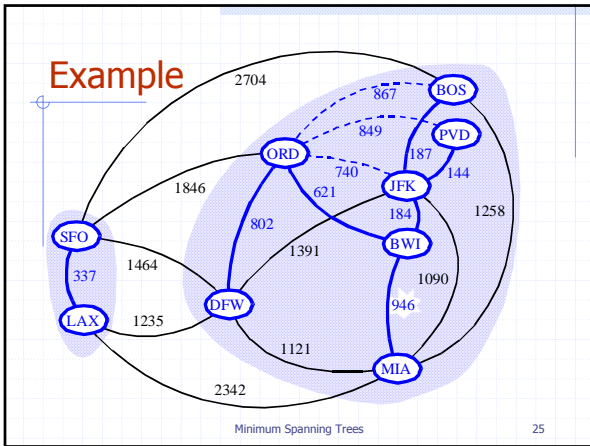
## Example



## Example







### Baruvka's Algorithm

- Like Kruskal's Algorithm, Baruvka's algorithm grows many "clouds" at once.

**Algorithm *BaruvkaMST(G)***  
 $T \leftarrow V$  (just the vertices of  $G$ )  
**while**  $T$  has fewer than  $n-1$  edges **do**  
   **for each** connected component  $C$  in  $T$  **do**  
     Let edge  $e$  be the smallest-weight edge from  $C$  to another component in  $T$ .  
     **if**  $e$  is not already in  $T$  **then**  
       Add edge  $e$  to  $T$   
**return**  $T$

- Each iteration of the while-loop halves the number of connected components in  $T$ .
  - The running time is  $O(m \log n)$ .

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