

Problem sheet 10

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1.) Light edges

Show that if an edge (u, v) is contained in some minimum-spanning tree, then it is a light edge crossing some cut of the graph. (2P)

2.) Just light edges?

Give a simple example of a graph such that the set of edges:

$\{(u, v) : \text{there exists a cut } (S, V - S) \text{ such that } (u, v) \text{ is a light edge crossing } (S, V - S)\}$

does not form a minimum spanning tree. (1P)

3.) Prim on adjacency matrix representation

Suppose that the graph $G = (V, E)$ is represented as an adjacency matrix. Give a simple implementation of Prim's Algorithm for this case that runs in $O(V^2)$. (3P)

4.) Fast Kruskal

Suppose that all edge weights in a graph are integers in the range from 1 to $|V|$. How fast can you make Kruskal's Algorithm run? What if the edge weights are integers in the range from 1 to W for some constant W ? (2P)

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