CSCI 232:
Data Structures and Algorithms

Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) Part 1

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Announcements

Lab 8 due on Friday

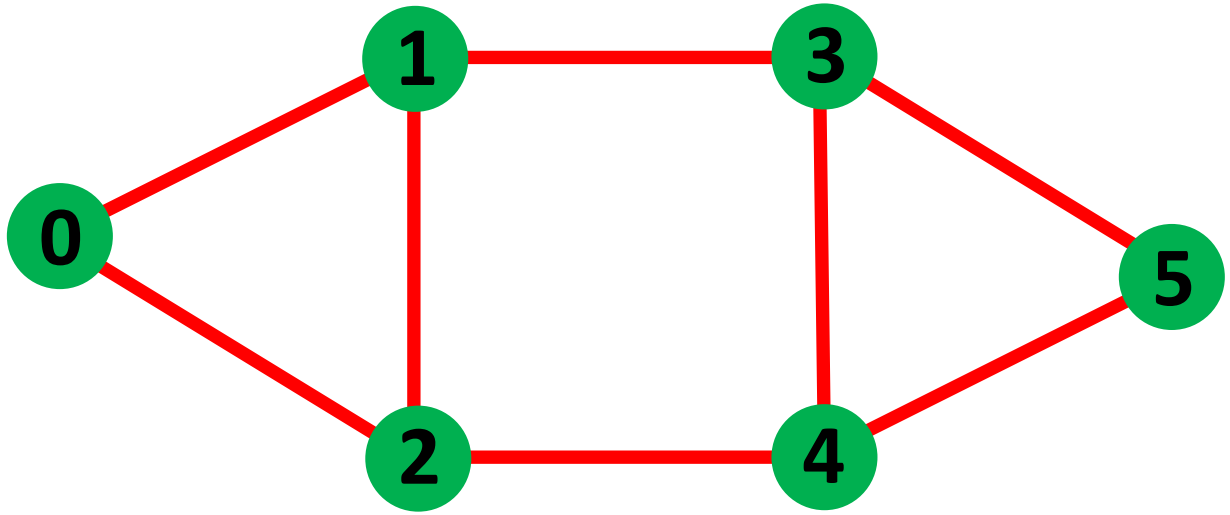
Quiz next week Friday

Program 3 will hopefully be posted soon

Very relevant meme for this week's lab

Graphs

$$G = (V, E)$$



Adjacency List

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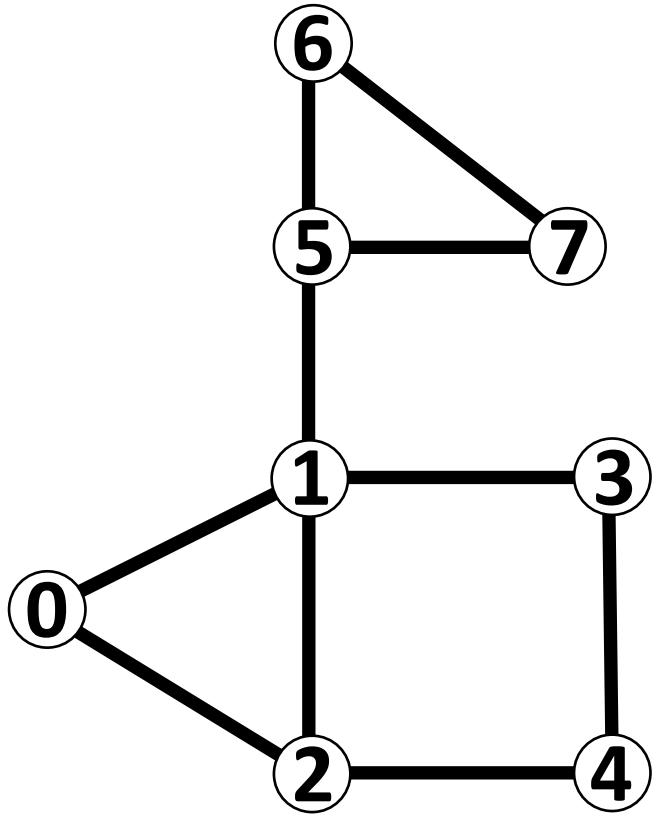

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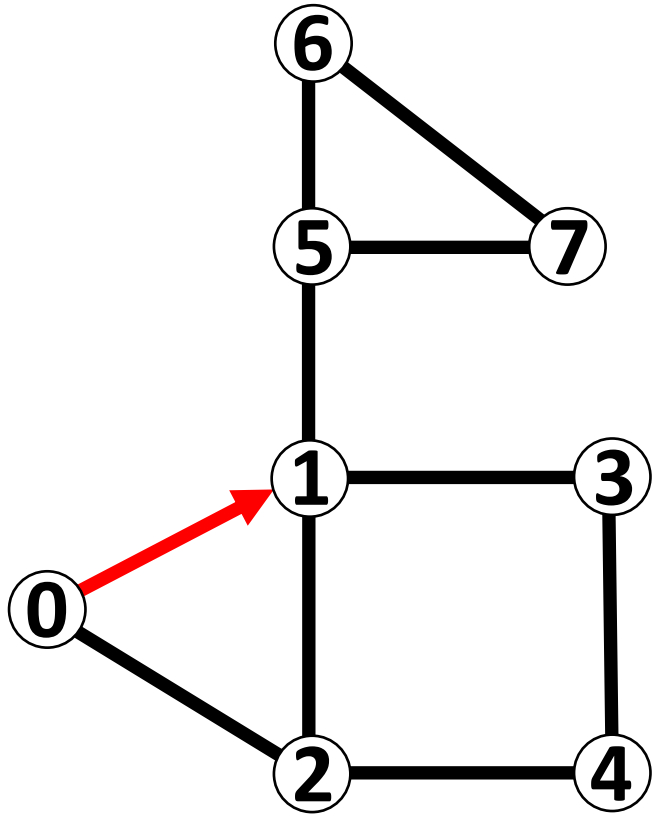

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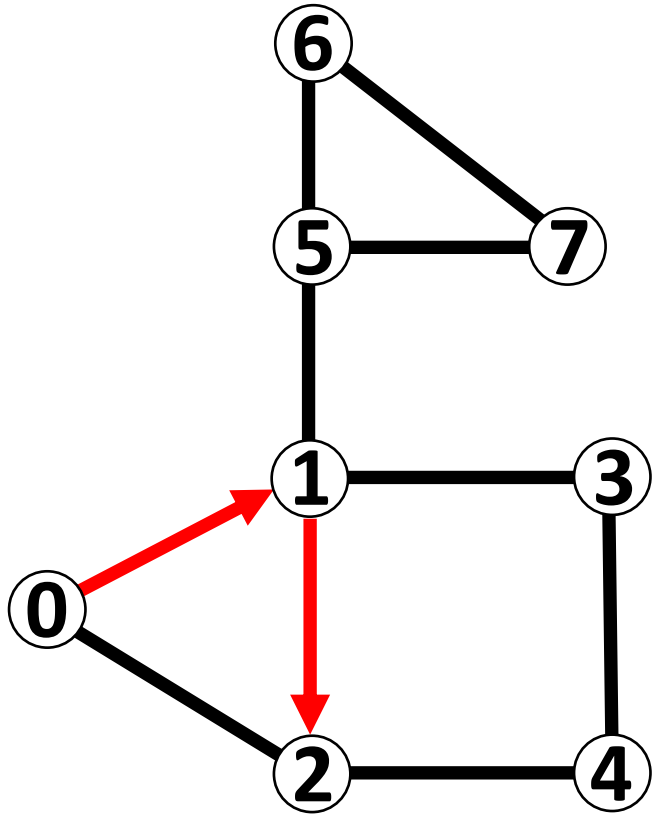

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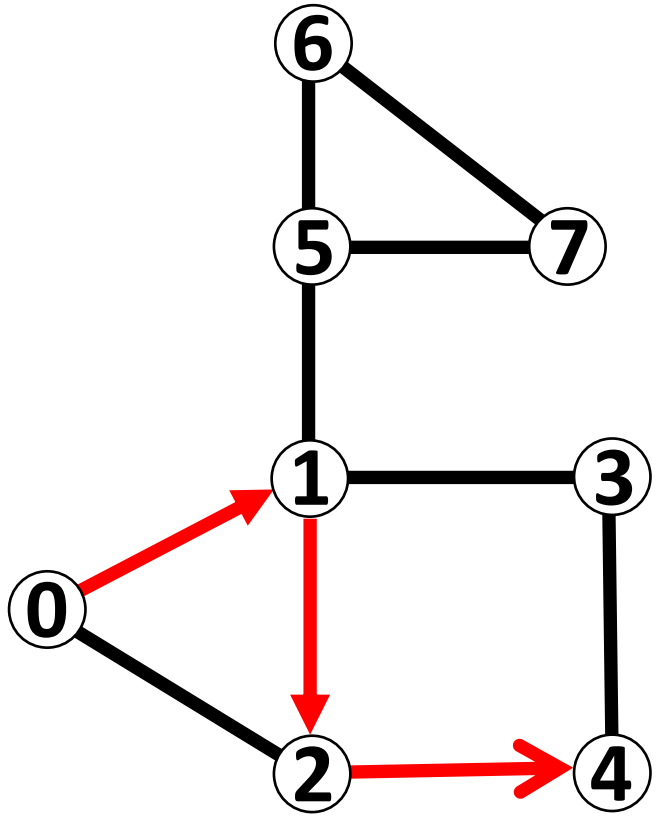

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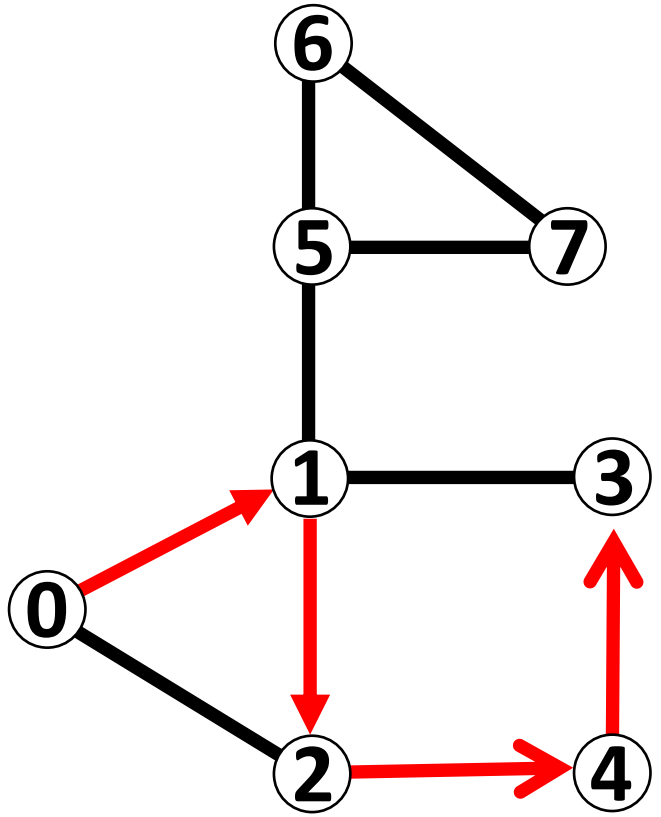

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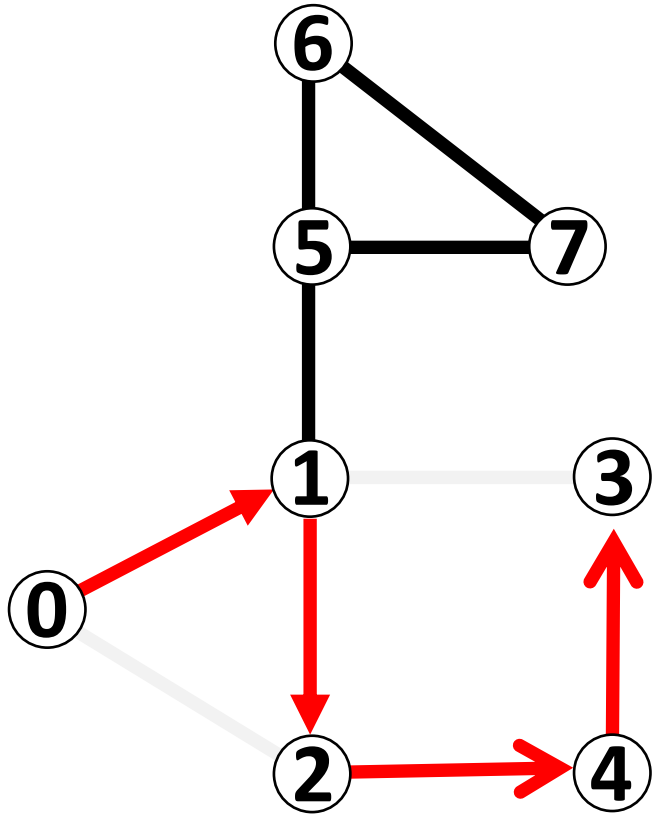

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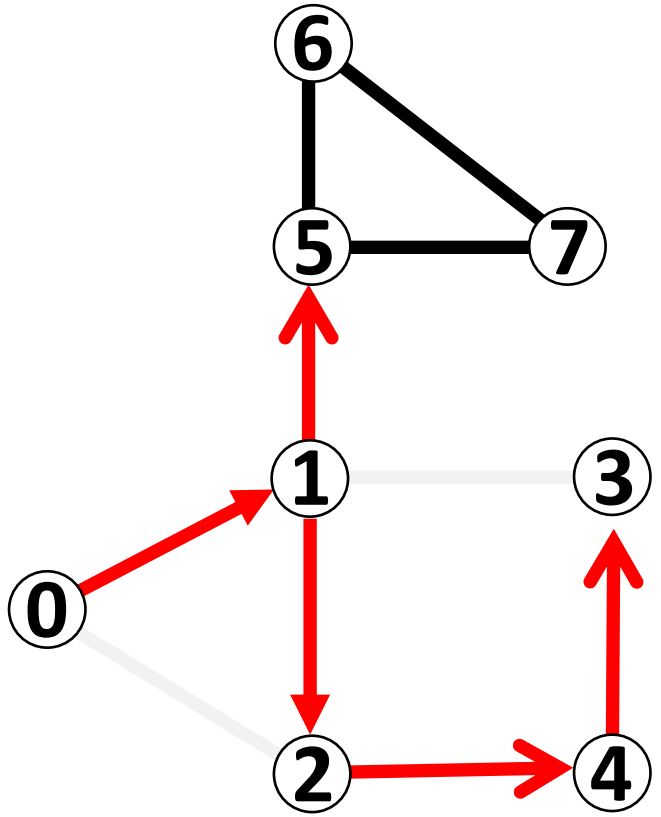

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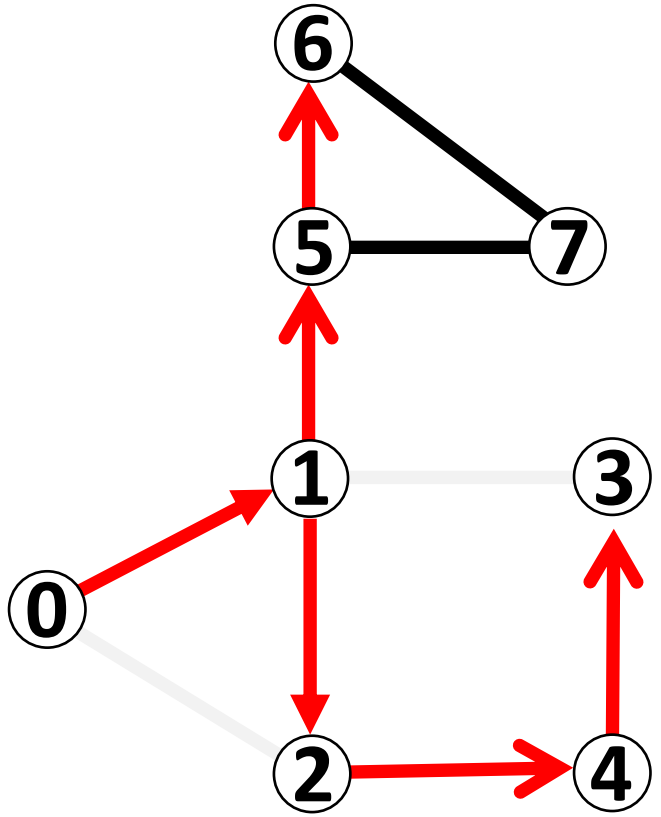

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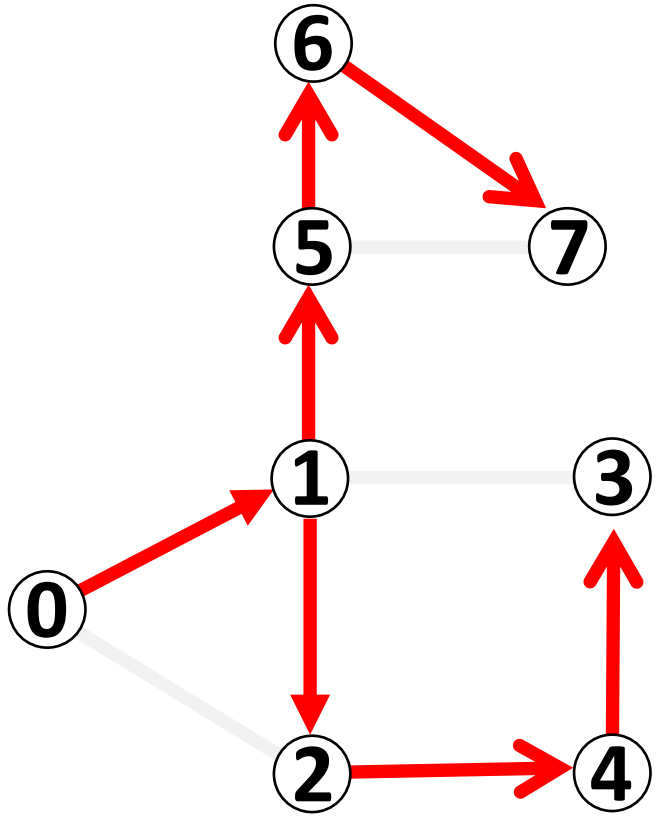
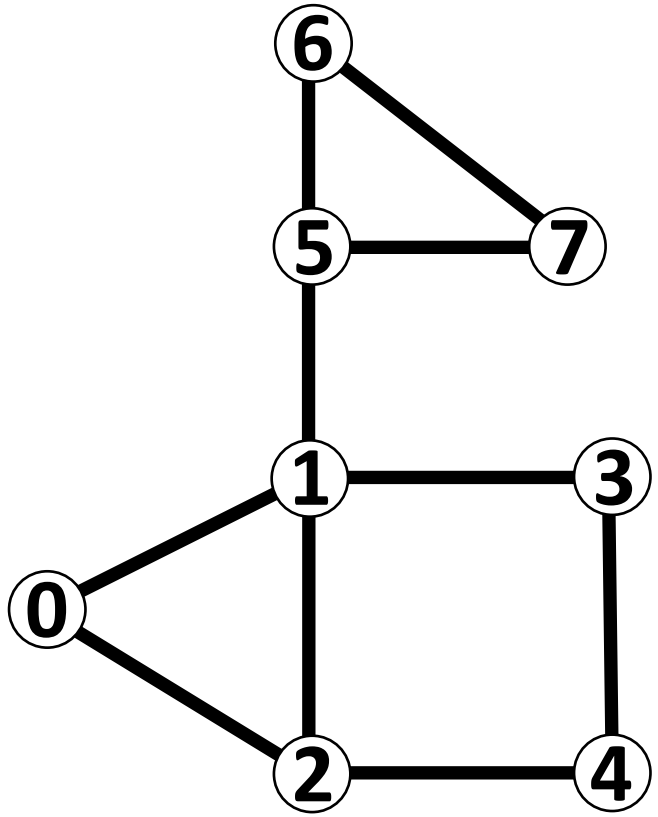


Depth First Order*:

0, 1, 2, 4, 3, 5, 6, 7

*not the only DFS order

Breadth First?



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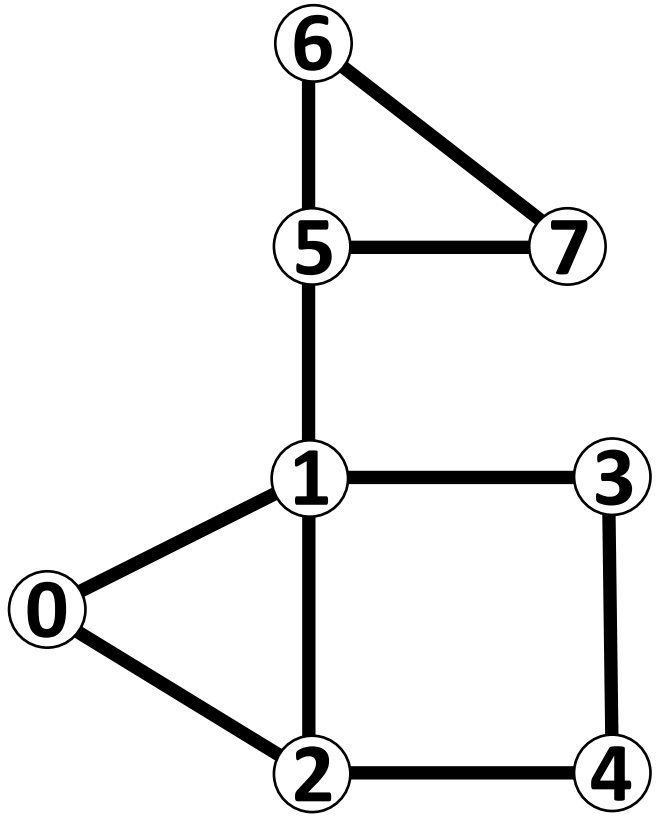

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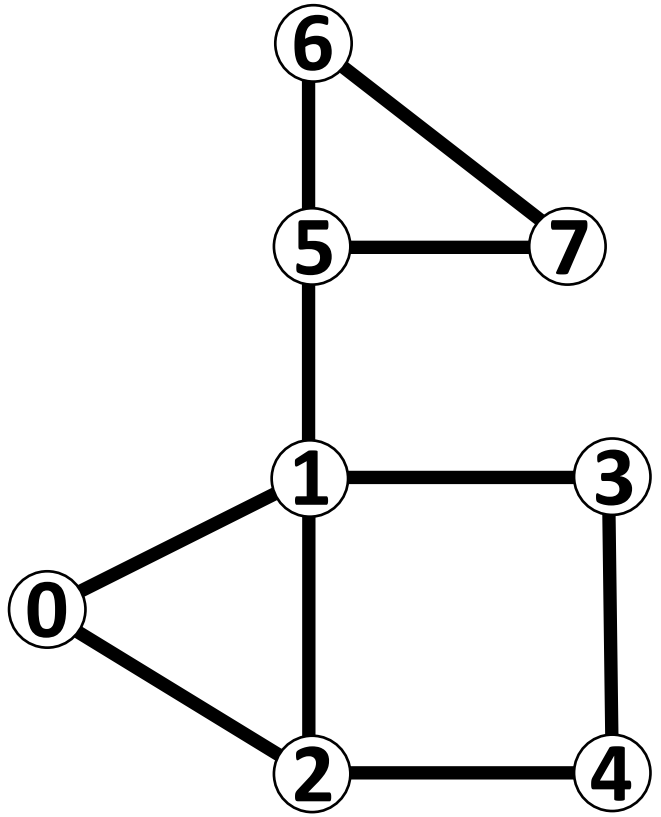

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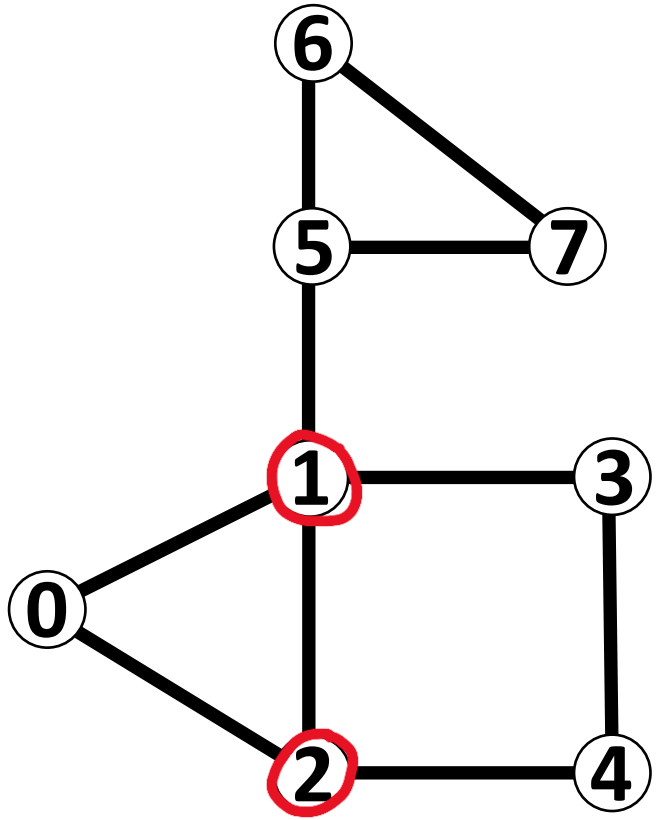

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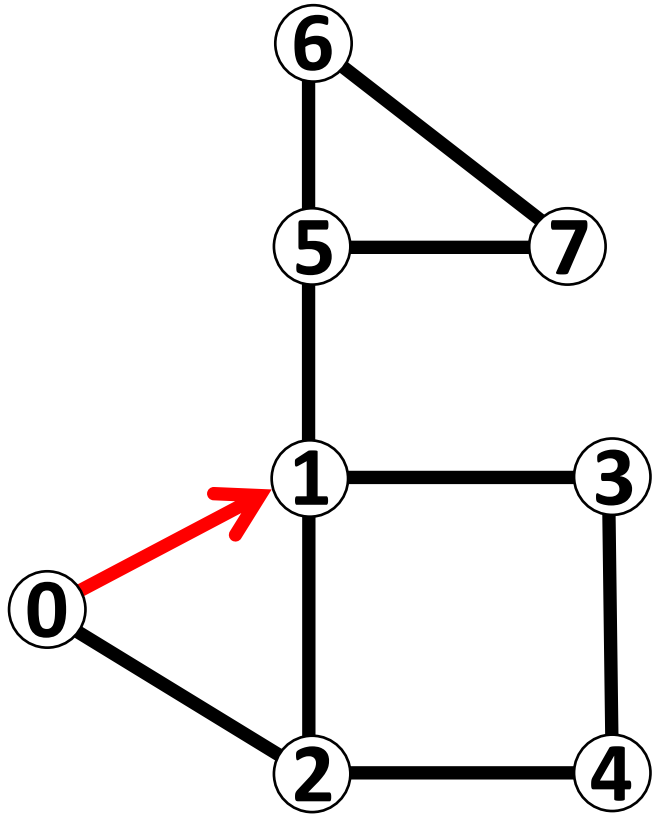

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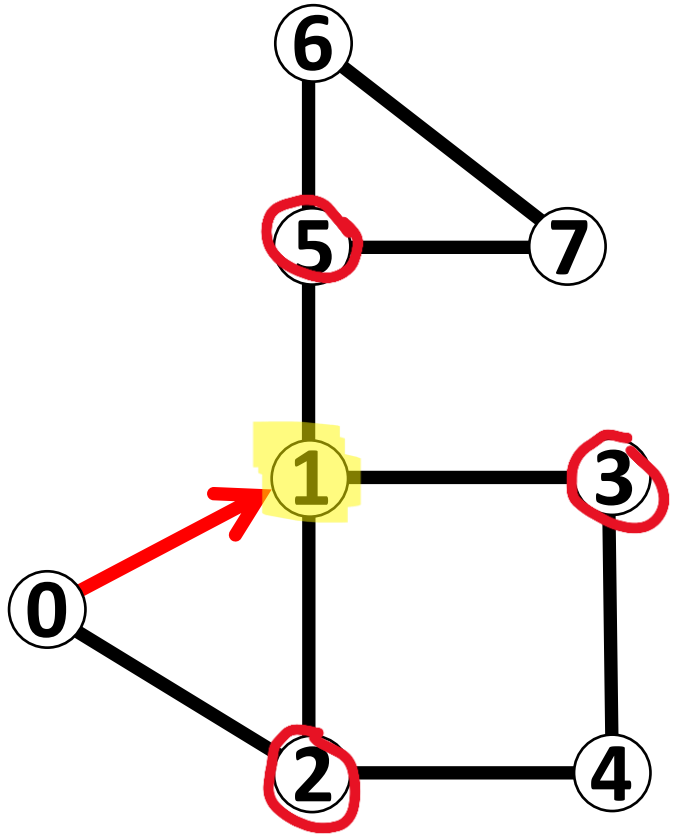
queue 2 3 5



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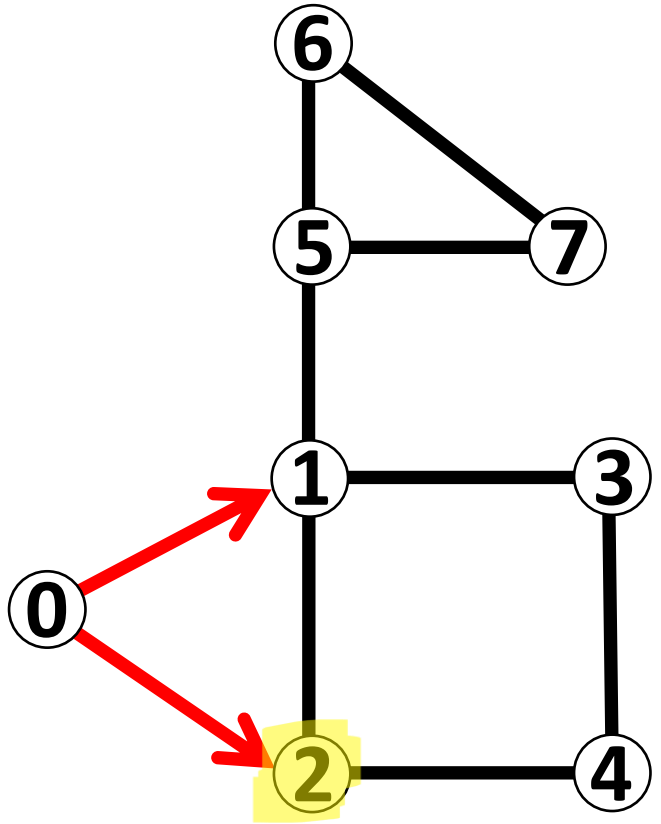

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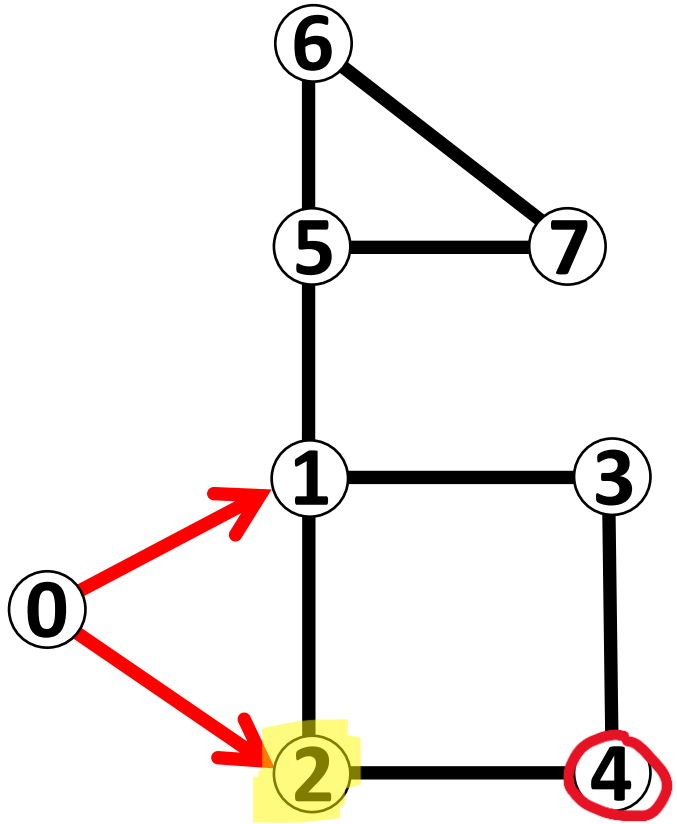
queue 3 5 4



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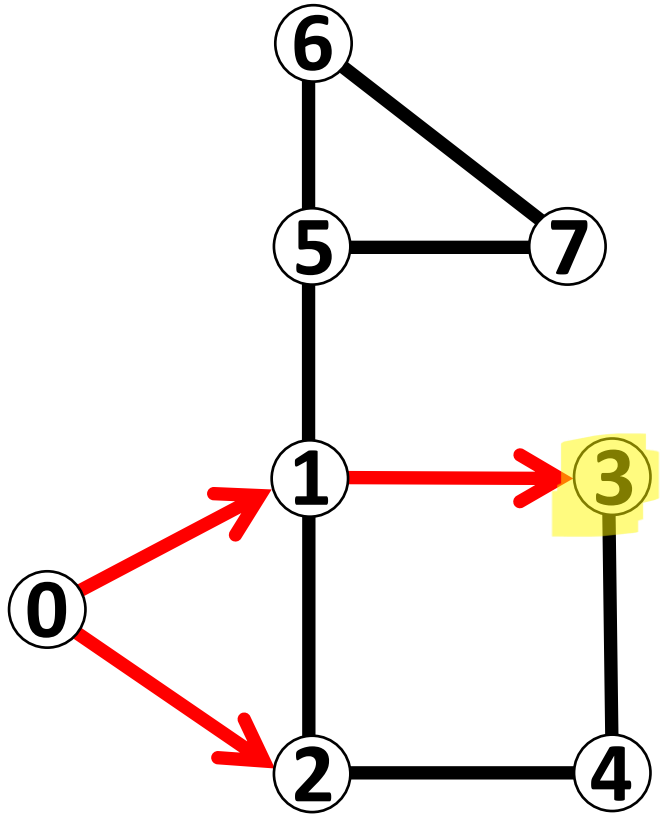

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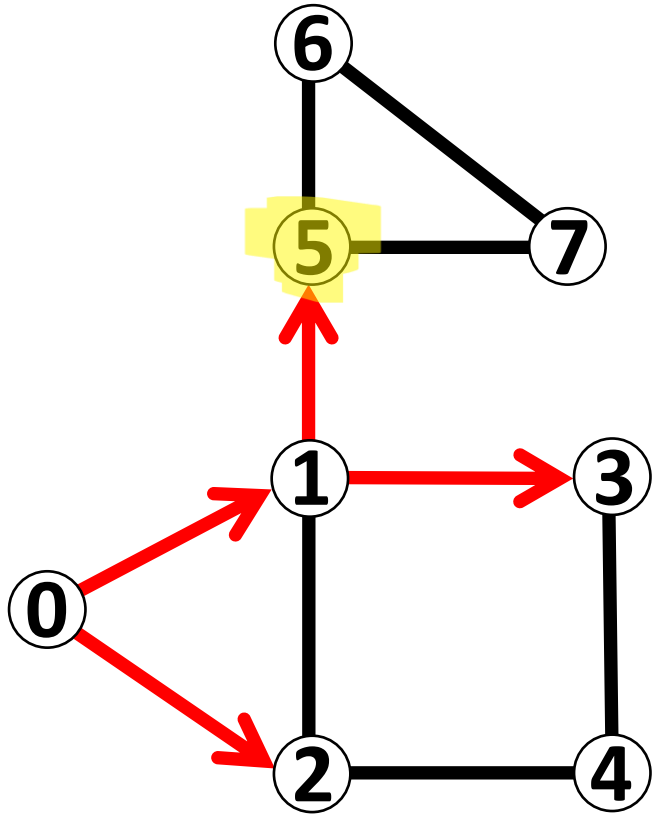

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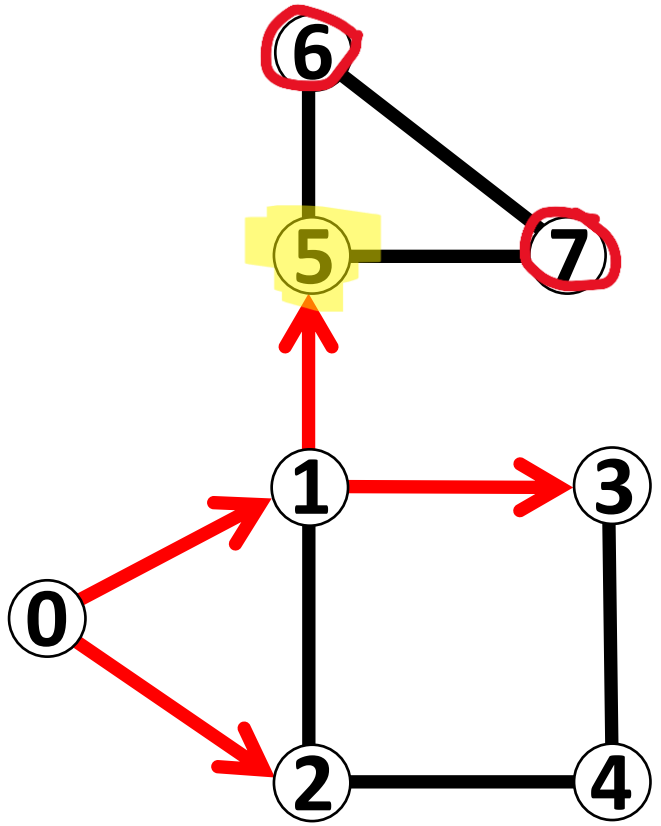

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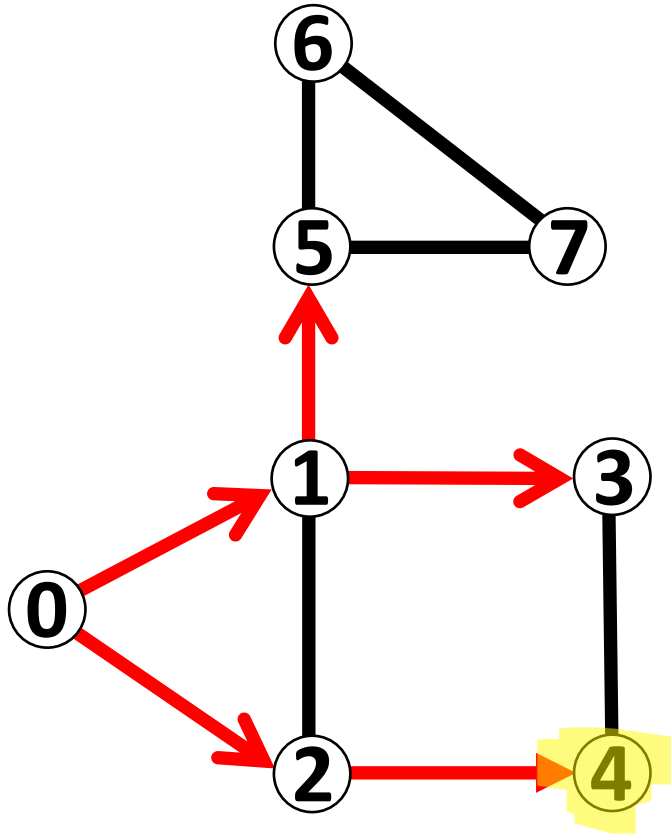

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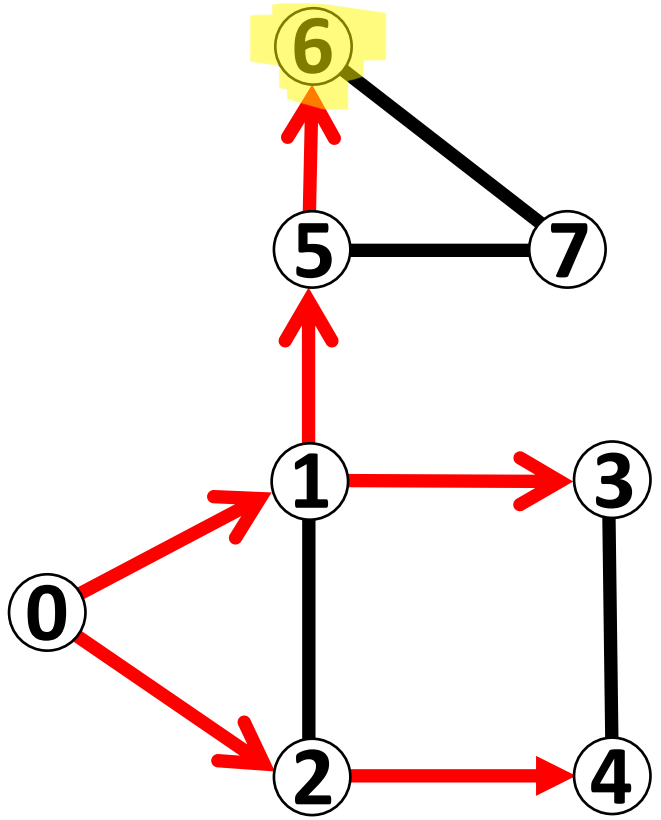

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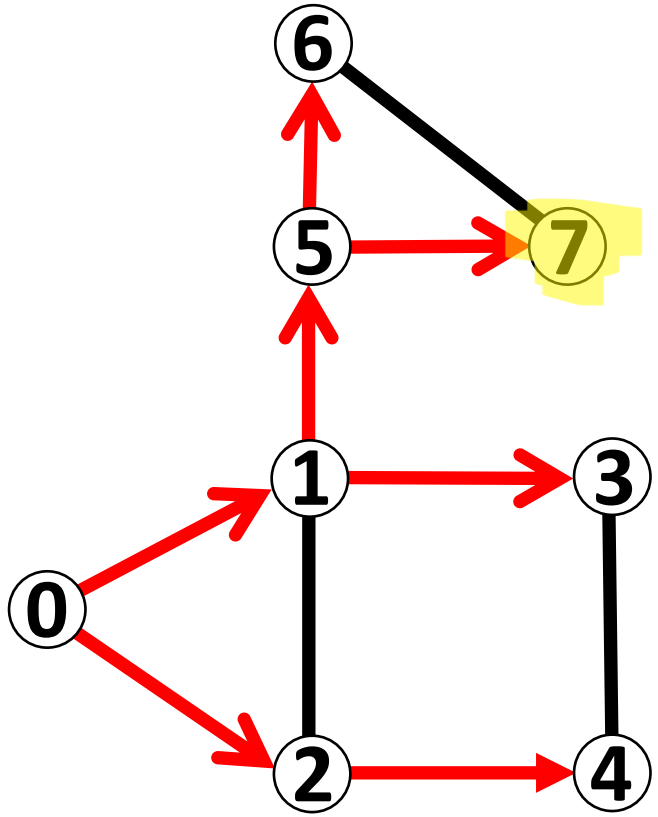

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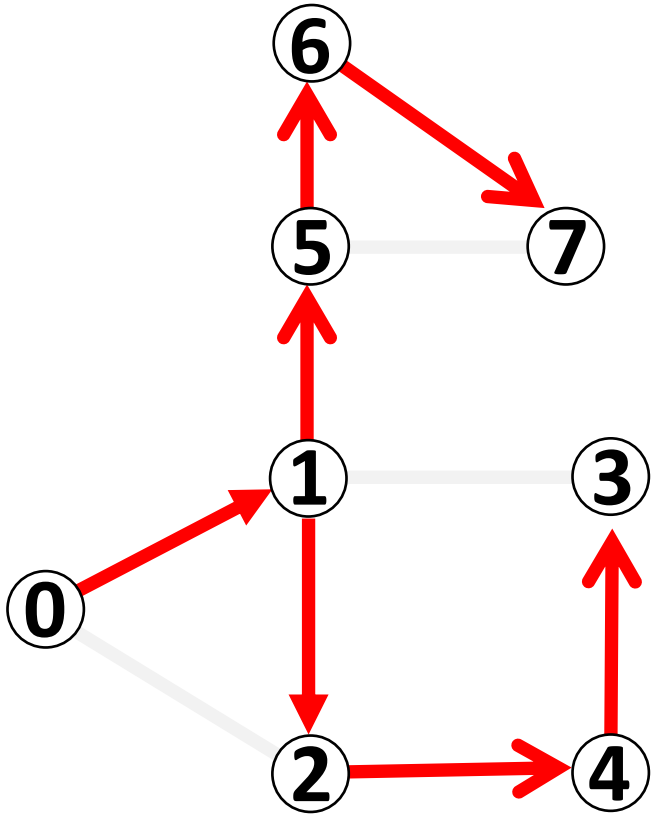

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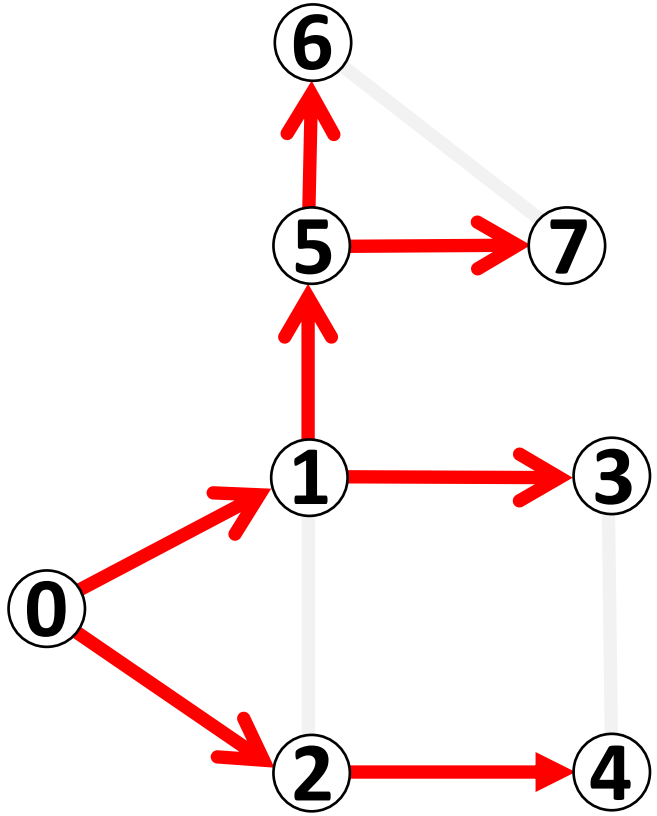

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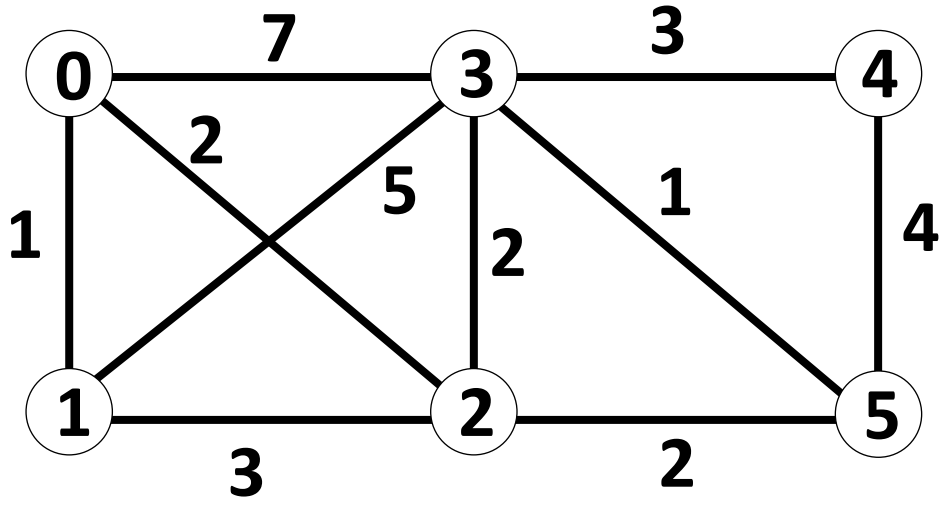
Given a starting point, DFS and BFS will visit every vertex in a graph it is a **connected** graph

Lab 8

Minimum Spanning Tree



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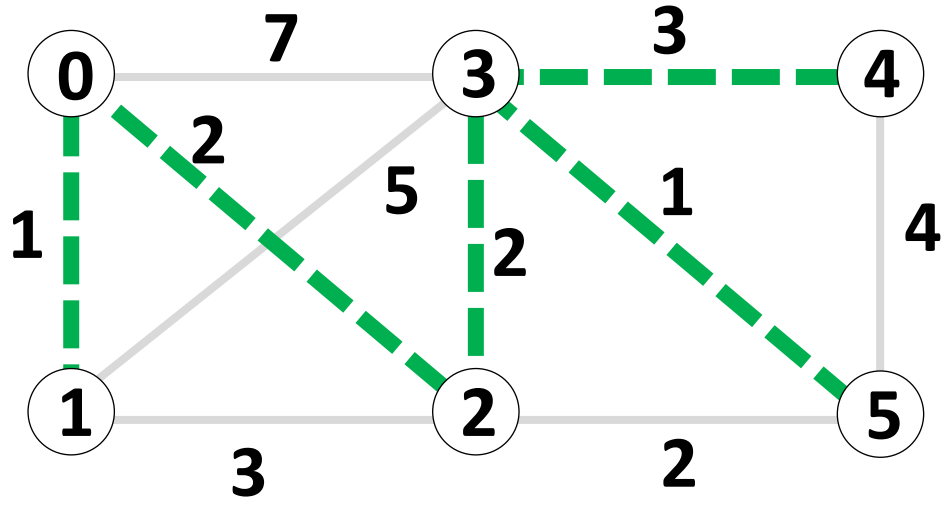

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MST Goal: Connect all vertices to each other with a minimum weight subset of edges.

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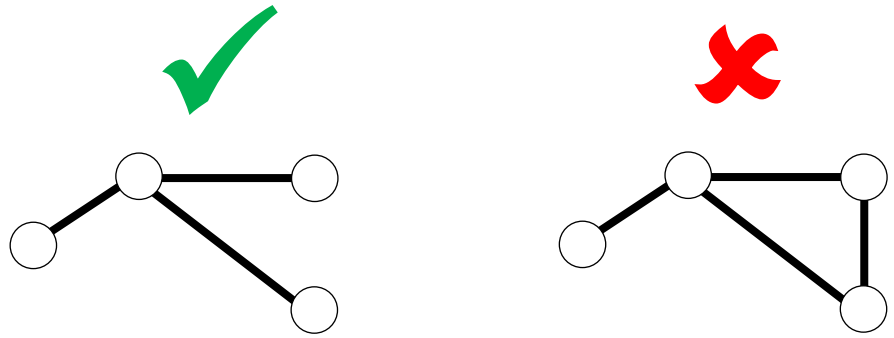

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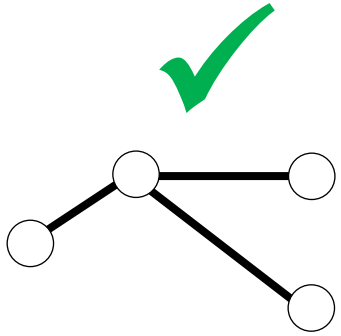

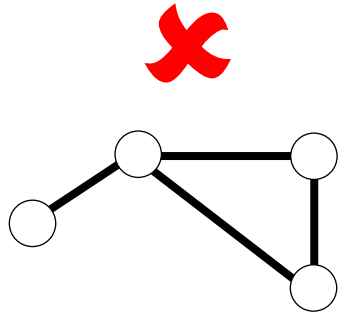

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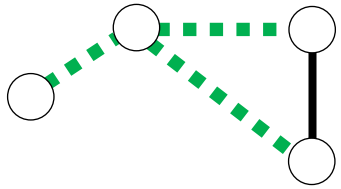

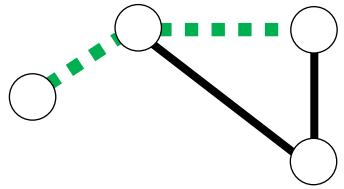

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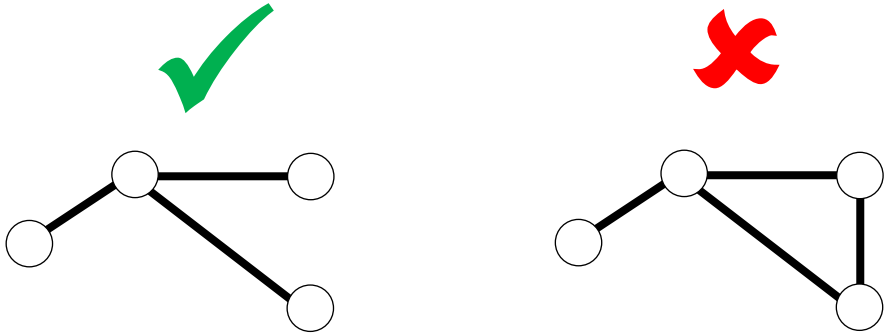

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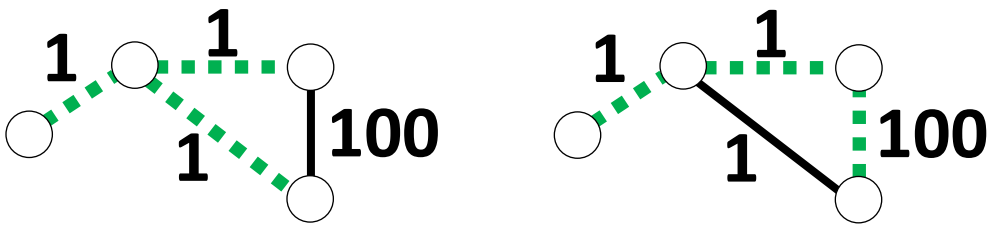
Minimum spanning tree – spanning tree whose sum of edge costs is the minimum possible value.



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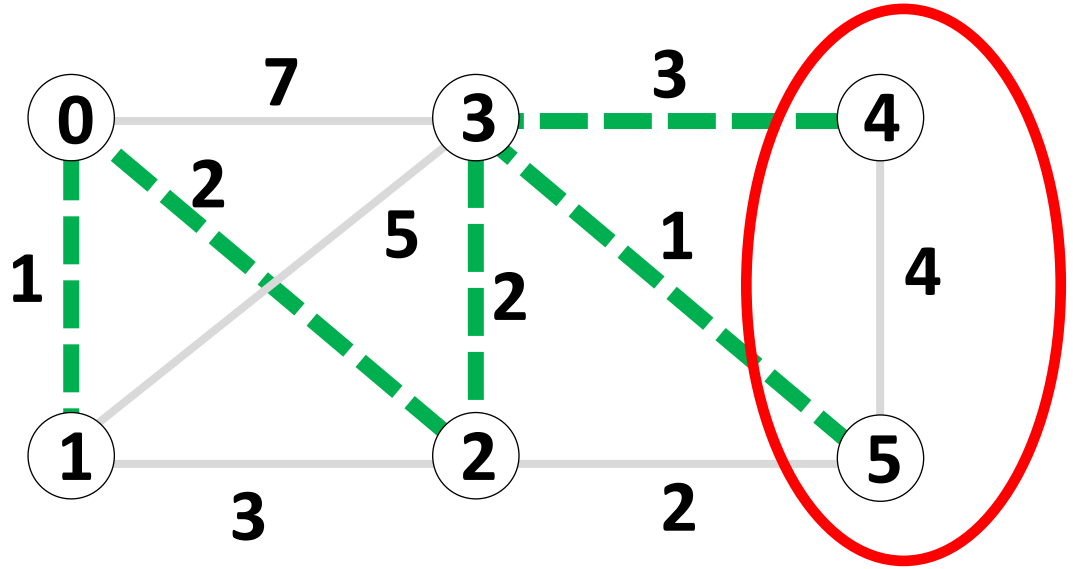

Does it ever make sense to have a cycle?

No!

Must be a tree!

MST Goal: Connect all vertices to each other with a minimum weight subset of edges.

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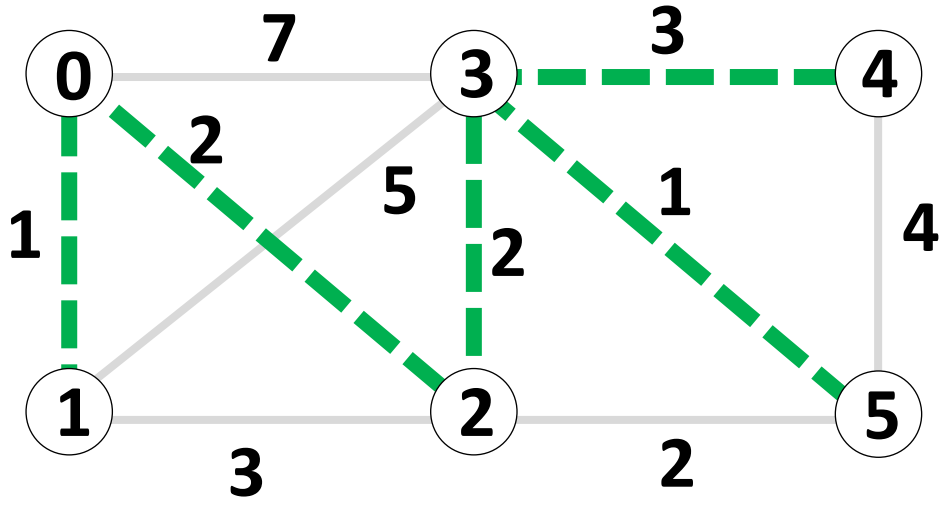
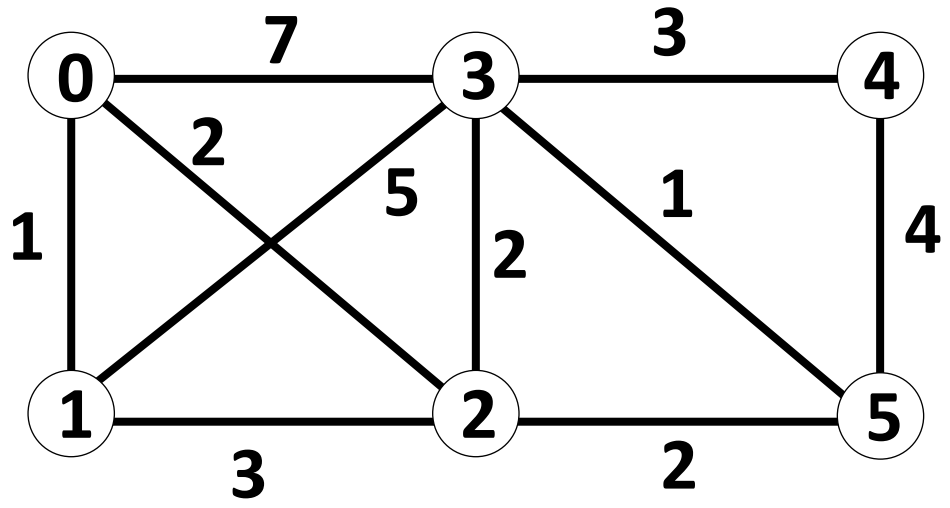


How to find MSTs?

Kruskal's MST Algorithm

At each iteration, add the edge with smallest weight, that does not create a cycle.



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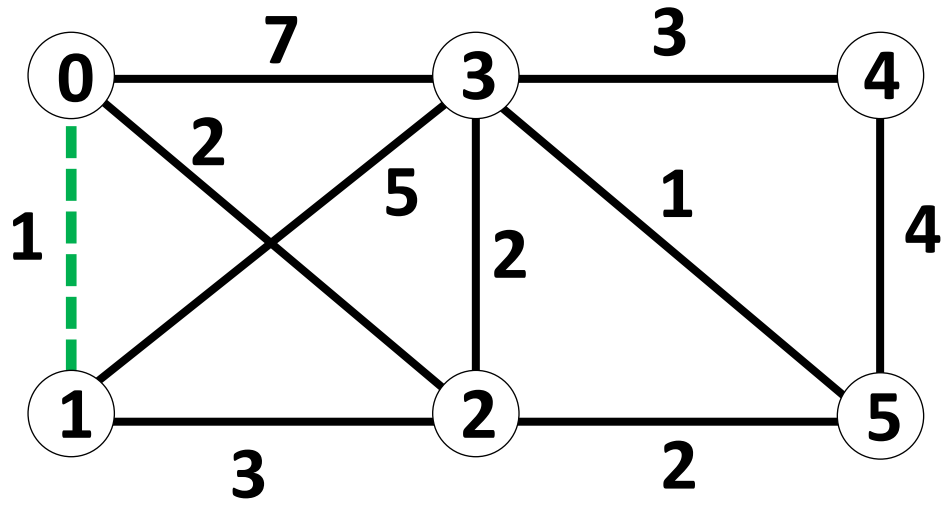

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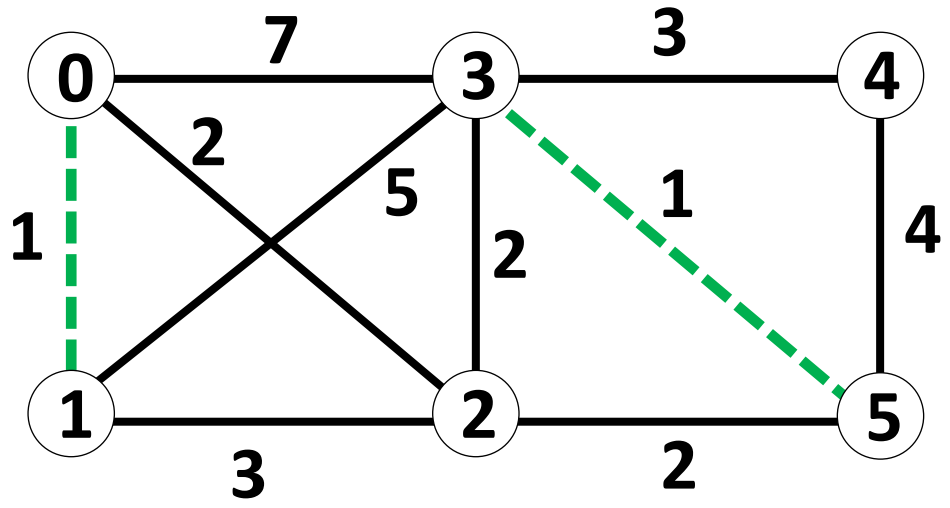

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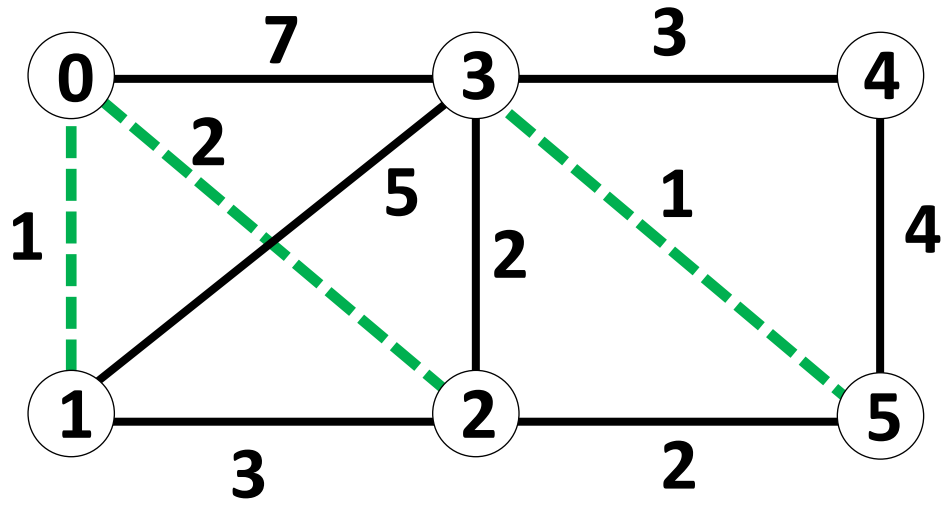

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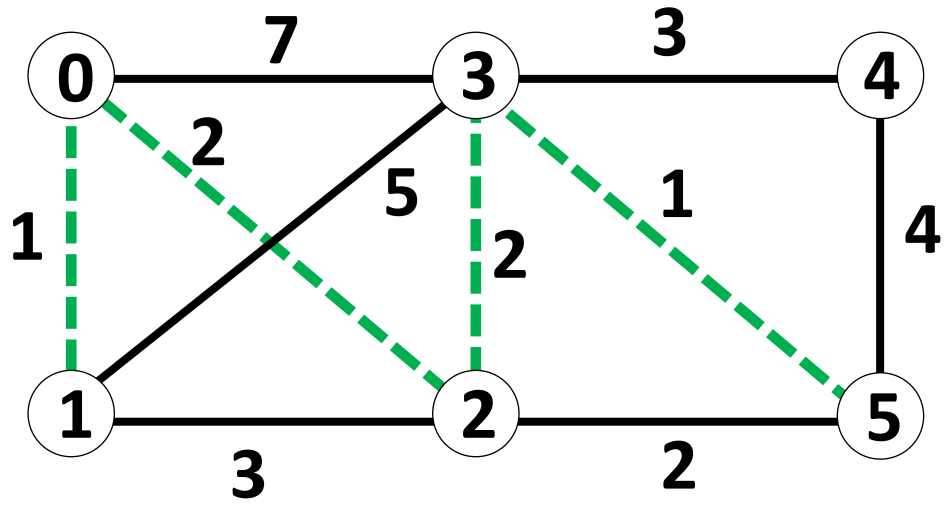

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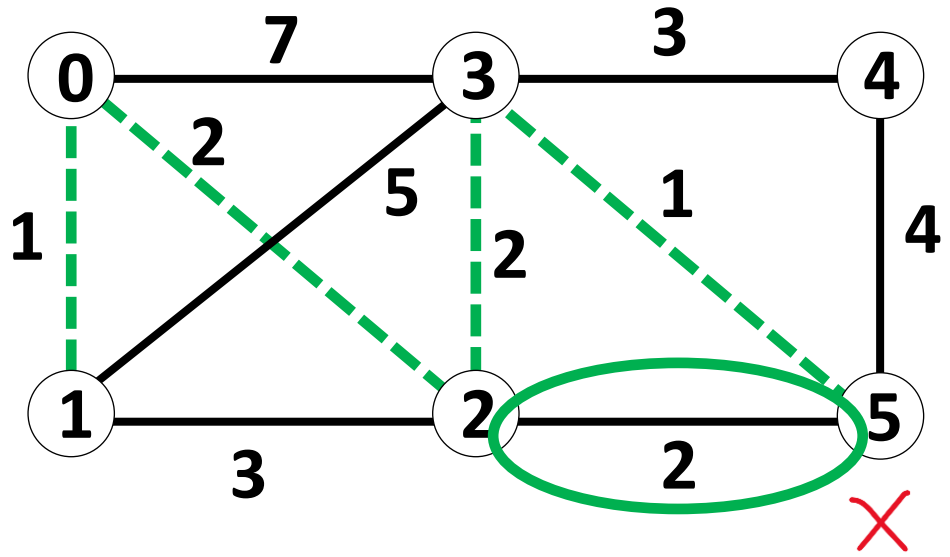

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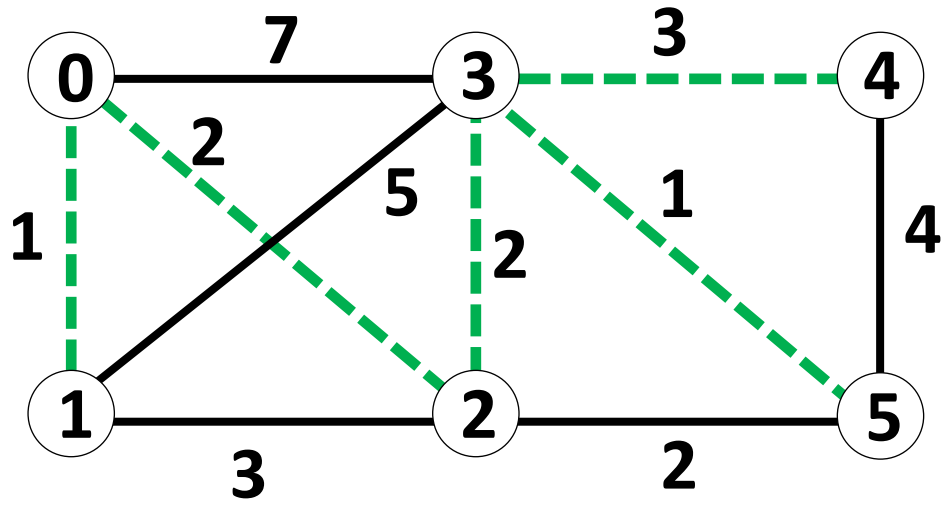

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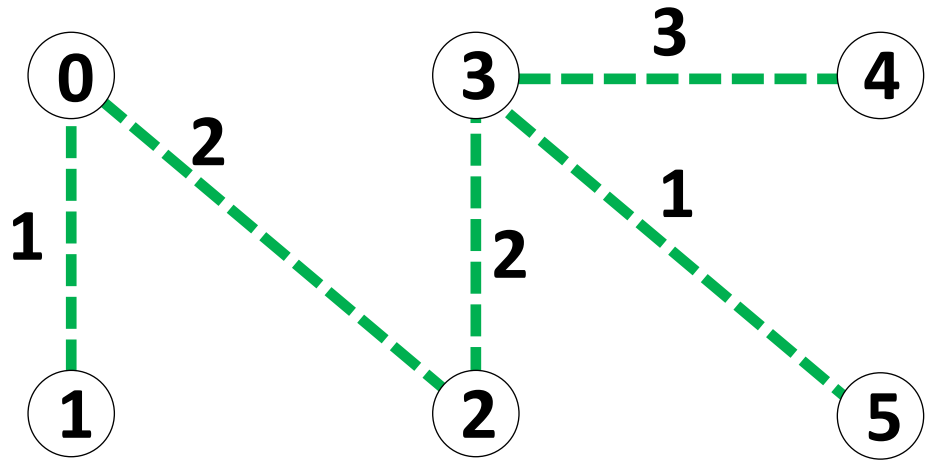
MST = [0, 1], [0, 2], [2,3], [3,5], [3,4] **Total Cost = 9**



MST vs Shortest Path

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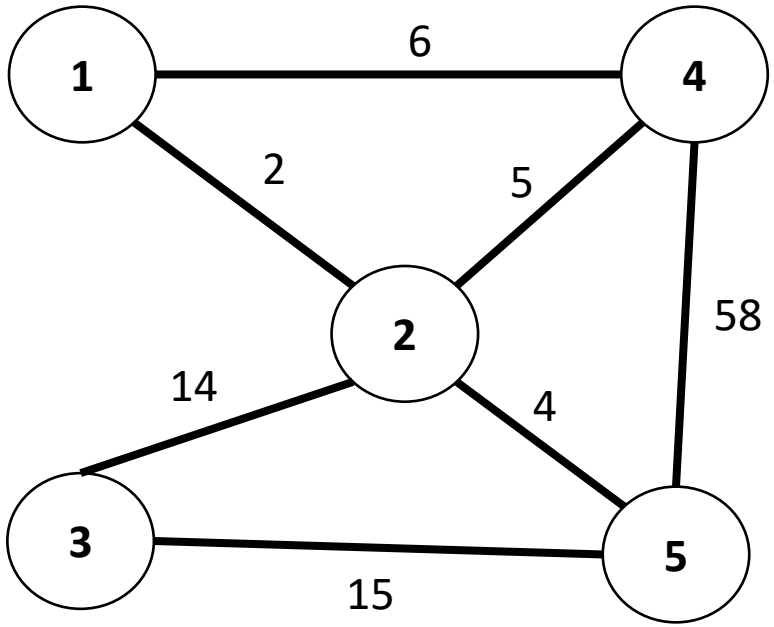

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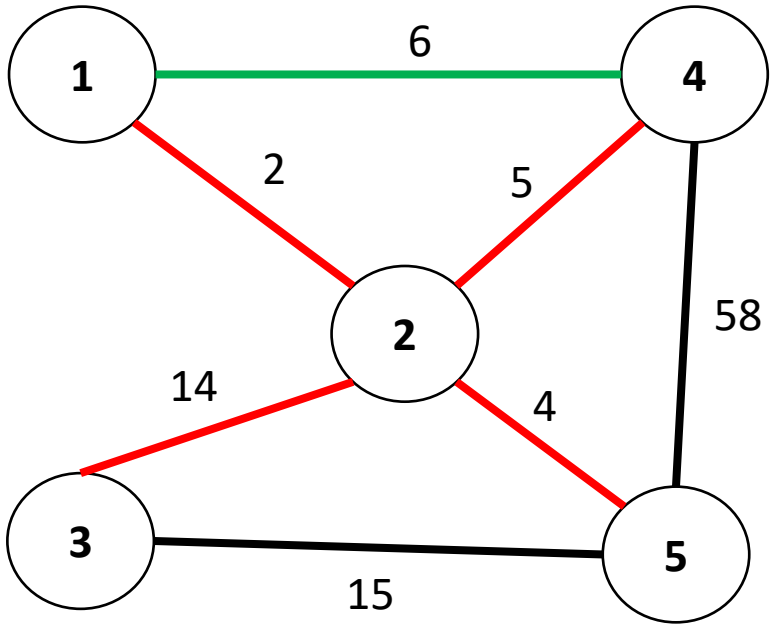
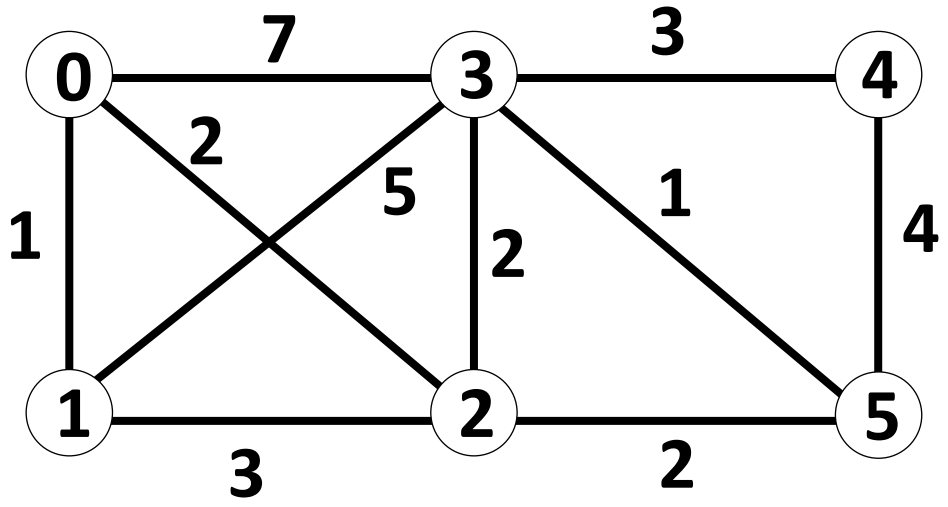


MST Cost = 25

Shortest Path from 1 to 4 = 6

Weighted Graph




```
public class Edge {

        private int vertex1;
        private int vertex2;

        private int weight;

        public int[] getVertices()

        public int getWeight()

        public String toString()

        public boolean equals()
```