

Prim's Algorithm (G, w, r)

1. $Q \leftarrow V$
2. for each $u \in Q$
3. do $key[u] = \infty$
4. $key[r] = 0$.
5. $\pi(r) = NIL$
6. while $Q \neq \emptyset$
7. do $u \leftarrow EXTRACT-MIN(Q)$
8. for each $v \in Adj[u]$
9. do if $v \in Q$ & $w(u, v) < key[v]$
10. then $\pi(v) \leftarrow u$.
11. $key[v] \leftarrow w(u, v)$

$\log n$

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1. $X = \{ (v, \pi(v)) : v \in V - \{s\} - Q \}$

2. $V - Q$ are the vertices of the tree

3. If $v \in Q$ & $\pi(v) \neq \text{NIL}$
 $\text{Key}[v] < \infty$.

$\text{Key}[v]$ gives the lightest cost
connecting v to some vertex in X .

Correctness & Complexity.

Correctness follows from the cut property.

Complexity of Prim's algorithm

depends on how you implement

the priority queue. If Q is

implemented as a binary heap

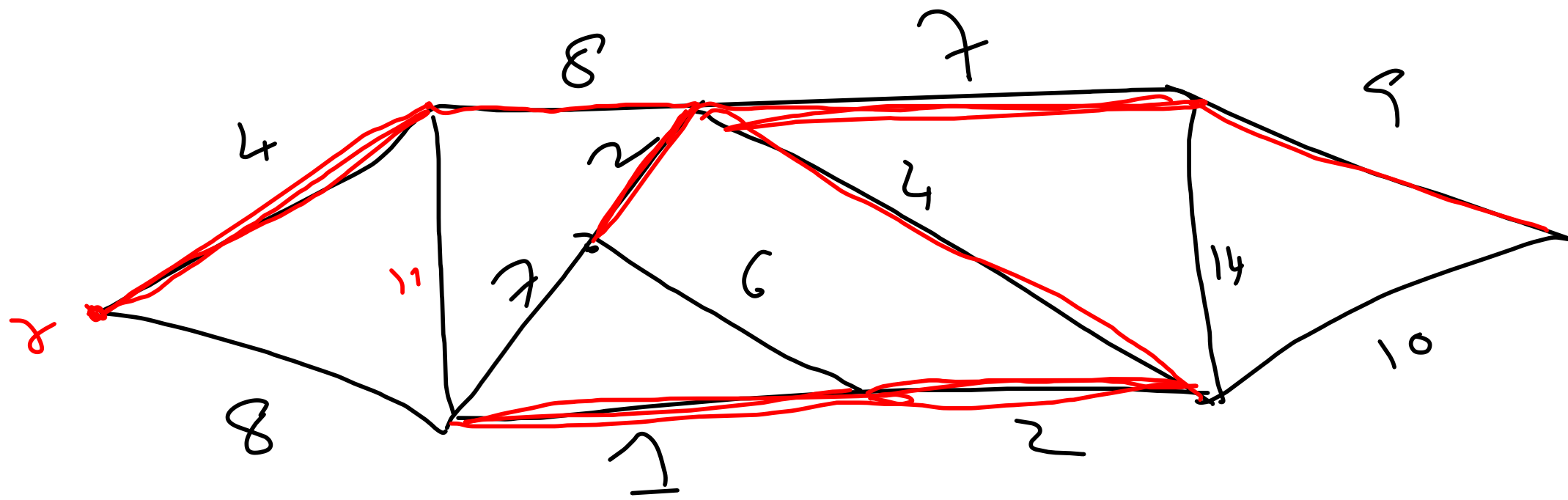
then line 7 takes $O(\log n)$ time

Hence the while loop can be executed
in $O(n \log n)$ time.

Updating the key can be
implemented in $O(\log n)$ time &

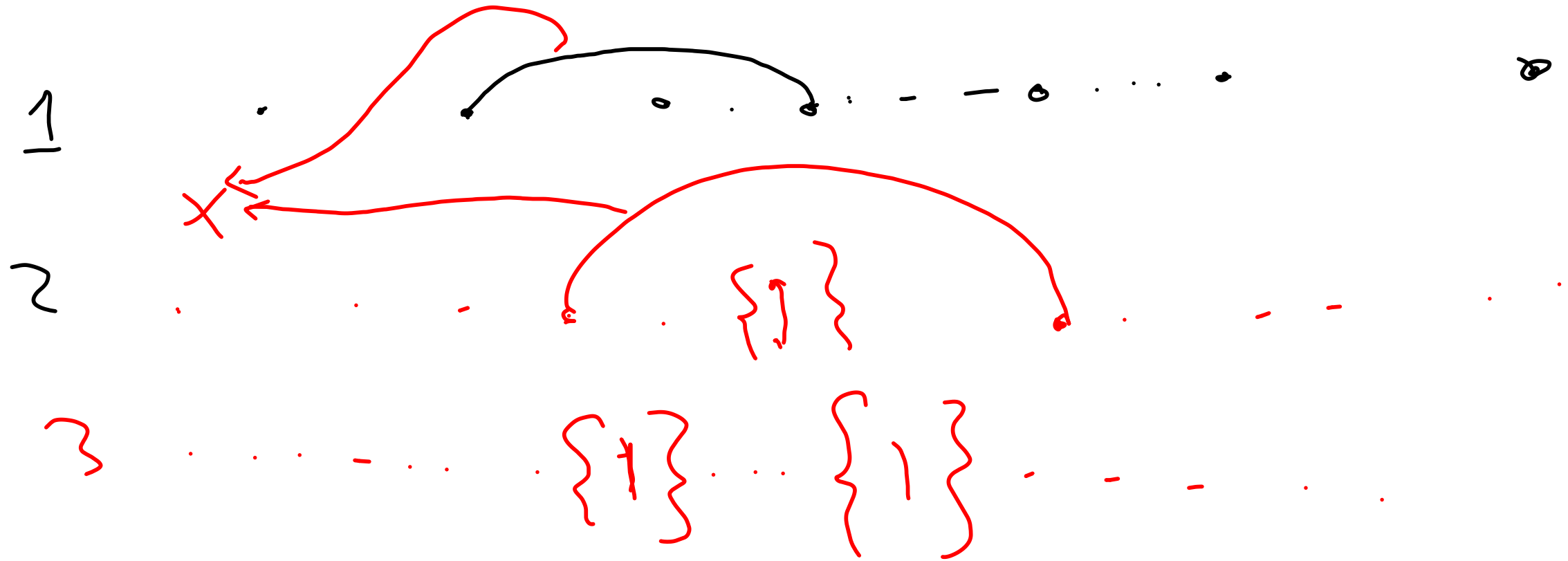
hence the for loop can be executed
in $O(e \log n)$ time.

Running time $O(n \log n + e \log n) = O(e \log n)$



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Kruskal's Algorithm



Kruskal's alg. adopts a different strategy.

Instead of growing a single tree

Kruskal's alg. adds

a lightest possible edge to start

We sort the edges in order of

increasing wt. Initially $x = \emptyset$

and each vertex in V is regarded

as a trivial tree. We ~~to~~ examine

Each edge in order & if end pts
of this edge belong to the same
tree we discard. Otherwise, this
edge is added to X . This causes
the two trees containing the end pts
to merge into a single tree.

To implement, given a forest of trees,
we need to decide given a pair
of vertices if they belong to the same
tree. For the purpose of implementation,
each tree is regarded as a set of
vertices of that tree. Our data structure
should support merging of two trees.
So the data structure should

maintain a collection of disjoint set
A should support the following

1. $\text{MAKESET}(x)$: Create a set consisting of the single element x .
2. $\text{FIND}(u)$: Given u , it finds the set containing u .
3. $\text{UNION}(u, v)$: Replace the set containing u & the set containing v by their Union.

Kruskal's Algorithm.

$X \leftarrow \emptyset$

Sort E by weight.

$\rightarrow O(|E| \log |E|)$ time.

for u, v

MAKESET(u)

end for

for $(u, v) \in E$ in increasing order do

if FIND(u) \neq FIND(v)

$X \leftarrow X \cup \{(u, v)\}$.

UNION(u, v)

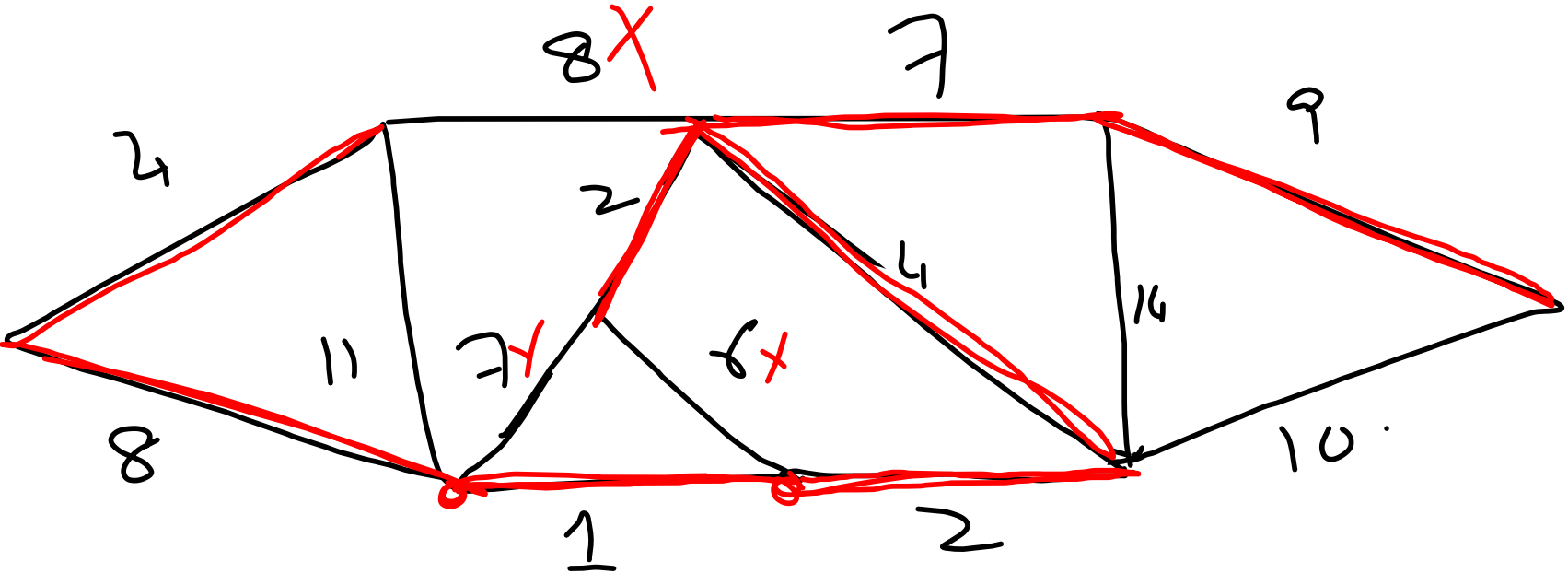
end for

return X .

Complexity.

If we are given a sorted list of edges, then the running time is determined by $n-1$ UNION of α α α FIND operations. Using a fast UNION-FIND, this can be achieved in time $O(e \log \alpha)$

If the edges are unsorted, the running time is $O(e \log e)$

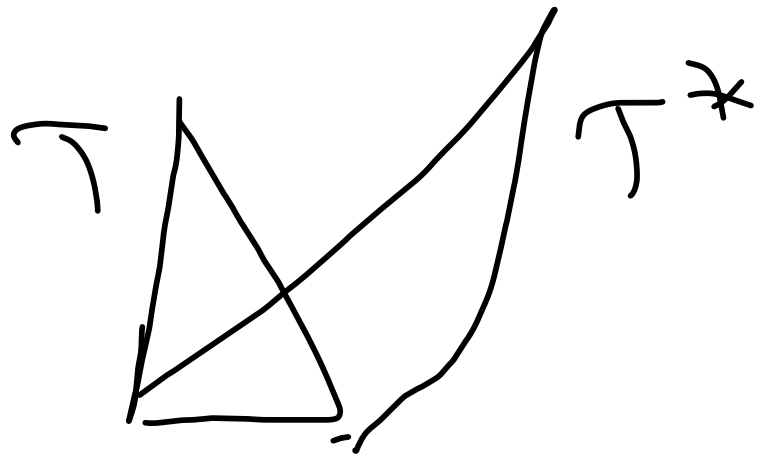


Ex 1 Show that if the wts. are distinct, then there is a unique MST

Ex 2 Prove the following exchange property for spanning trees.

- Let T & T' be spanning trees in $G = (V, E)$
Given an edge $e' \in T' - T$, \exists an edge $e \in T - T'$
s.t. $(T - \{e\}) \cup \{e'\}$ is also a spanning tree.

Use this to show that one can
"walk" from any spanning tree to
a minimum spanning tree.



3. Clustering.

Given a set of objects e.g. texts, photos, micro-organisms etc we want to organize or classify these objects into "coherent" groups.

We assume that we are given a distance f on the objects with the understanding that objects with larger distance are less similar.

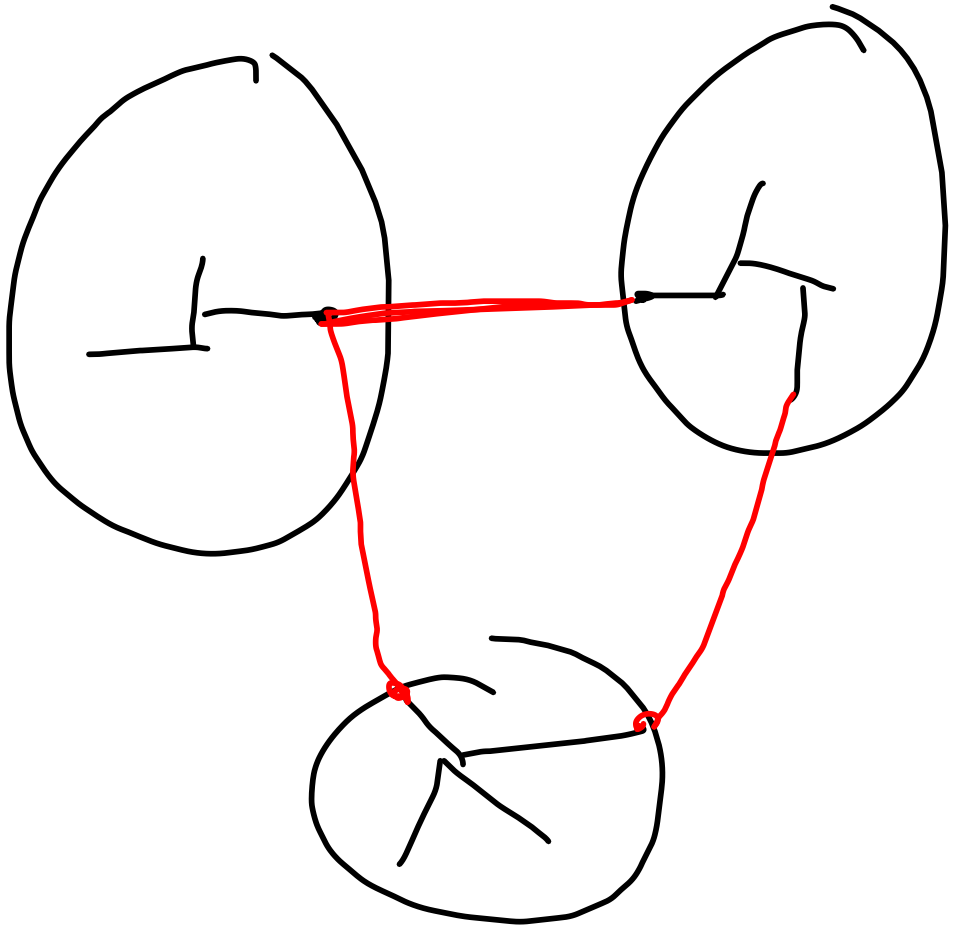
Thus given a distance f on the set of objects we seek to divide them into groups so that objects in the same group are "near" & objects in different groups are "far apart".

Clustering with maximum spacing

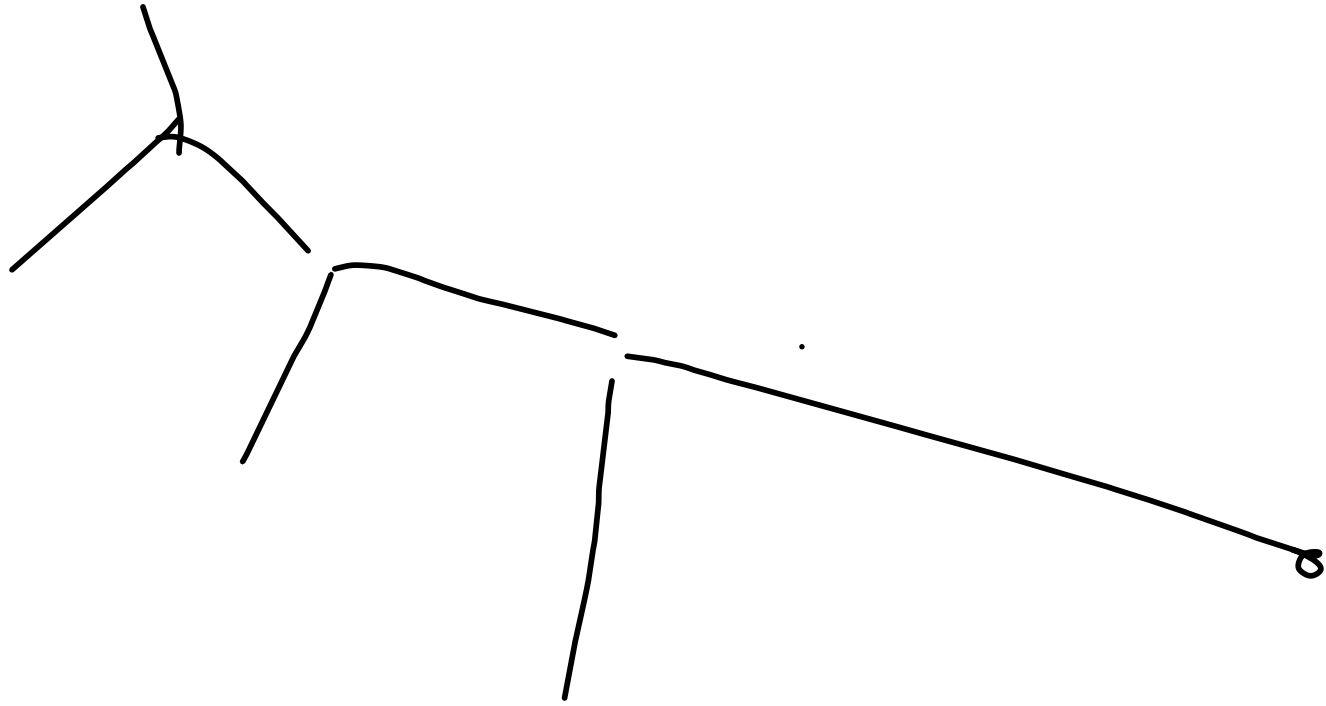
We are given a set U of n objects with labels p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n . We wish to partition U into k non-empty sets C_1, C_2, \dots, C_k . Such a partition is called

a k -clustering. We define the spacing

of a k -clustering to be the min. of any pair of pts in different clusters



Our clustering problem is to find
a k -clustering with maximum spacing



The Algorithm

To set a k -clustering with maximum spacing we run Kruskal's algorithm for $n-k$ steps

The remaining $k-1 = (n-1) - (n-k)$ edges are the $k-1$ most expensive edges of the MST



This is equivalent to summing
the full Kruskal's alg. & then
discarding the $k-1$ most expensive
edges. The first of these gives the
spacing of the k -clustering obtain.