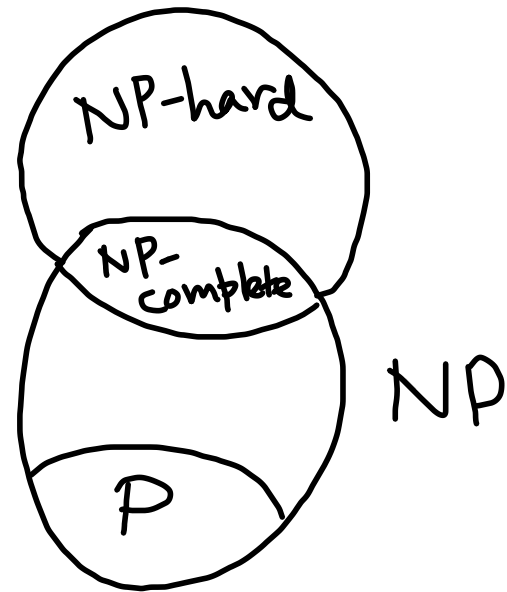


# P, NP, NP-complete, NP-hard



$\in$  NP-hard but  $\notin$  NP-complete

$\rightarrow$  Halting Problem

NP: Non-deterministic  
Polytime Algo (verification  
is possible  
in polytime)

NP-complete:

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{NP } \textcircled{1} \end{array} \right.$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Polynomial time Reducible to} \\ \text{any prob in NP } \textcircled{2} \end{array} \right.$

NP-hard

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{2} \end{array} \right.$

# Possible ways to deal with NP-complete Problems

- 1) Input size is very small.
- 2) Special sub-cases are of interest & these can be solved in polytime.
- 3) Near-optimal Solution.

# Approximation Algorithms

- Near-optimal solutions in polytime.

An algo for a problem has an approximation ratio  $p(n)$ , if for any i/p size  $n$ , the cost of the solution produced by the algo, say  $c$ , is within a factor of  $p(n)$  of the cost  $c^*$  corresponding to the optimal solution.

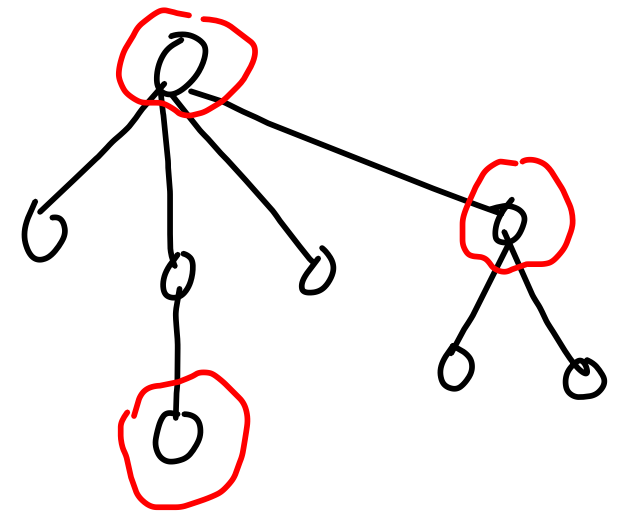
$$\max\left(\frac{c}{c^*}, \frac{c^*}{c}\right) \leq p(n)$$

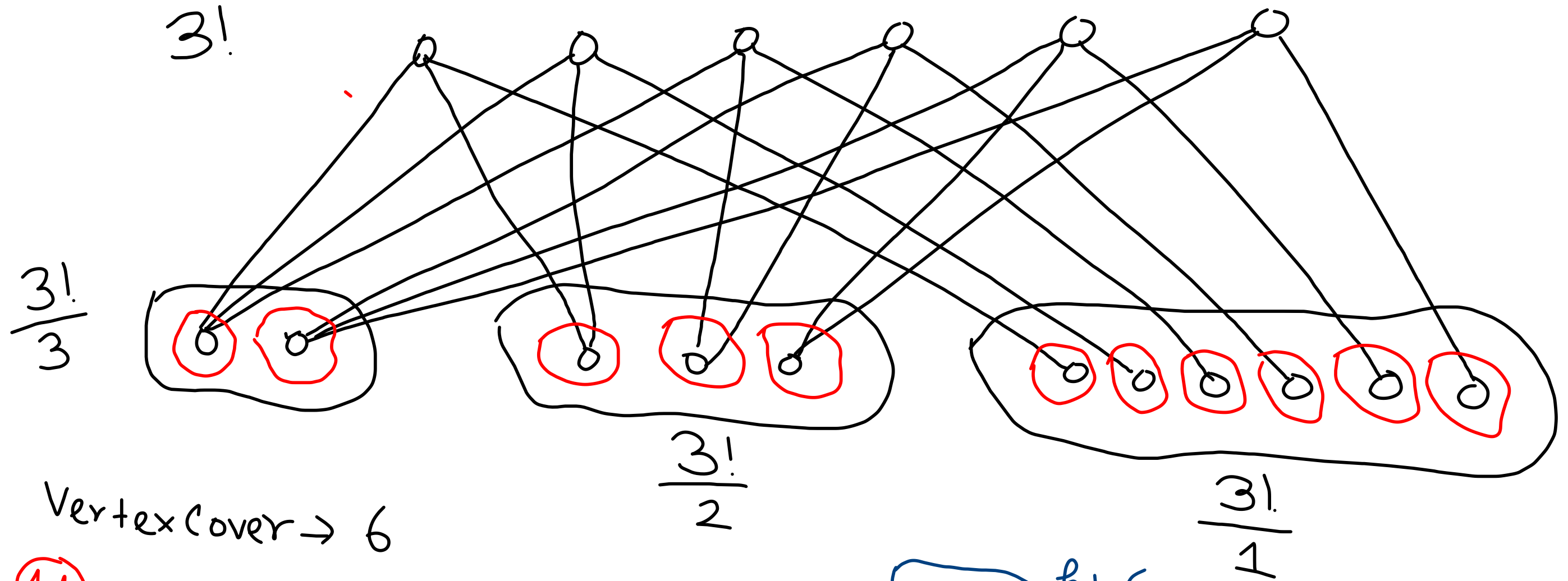
# Vertex Cover

Given  $G=(V,E)$ . Return  $V'$  s.t.  $V' \subseteq V$ ,  $\forall (u,v) \in E$  either  $u \in V'$  or  $v \in V'$  or both &  $|V'|$  is minimum among all.

## Algorithm

- ↳ Obtain the  $\max^m$  degree vertex  $\hat{v}$ . Put it in  $V'$ .
- ↳ Remove all the edges incident on  $\hat{v}$ .
- ↳ Iteratively apply the same algo.

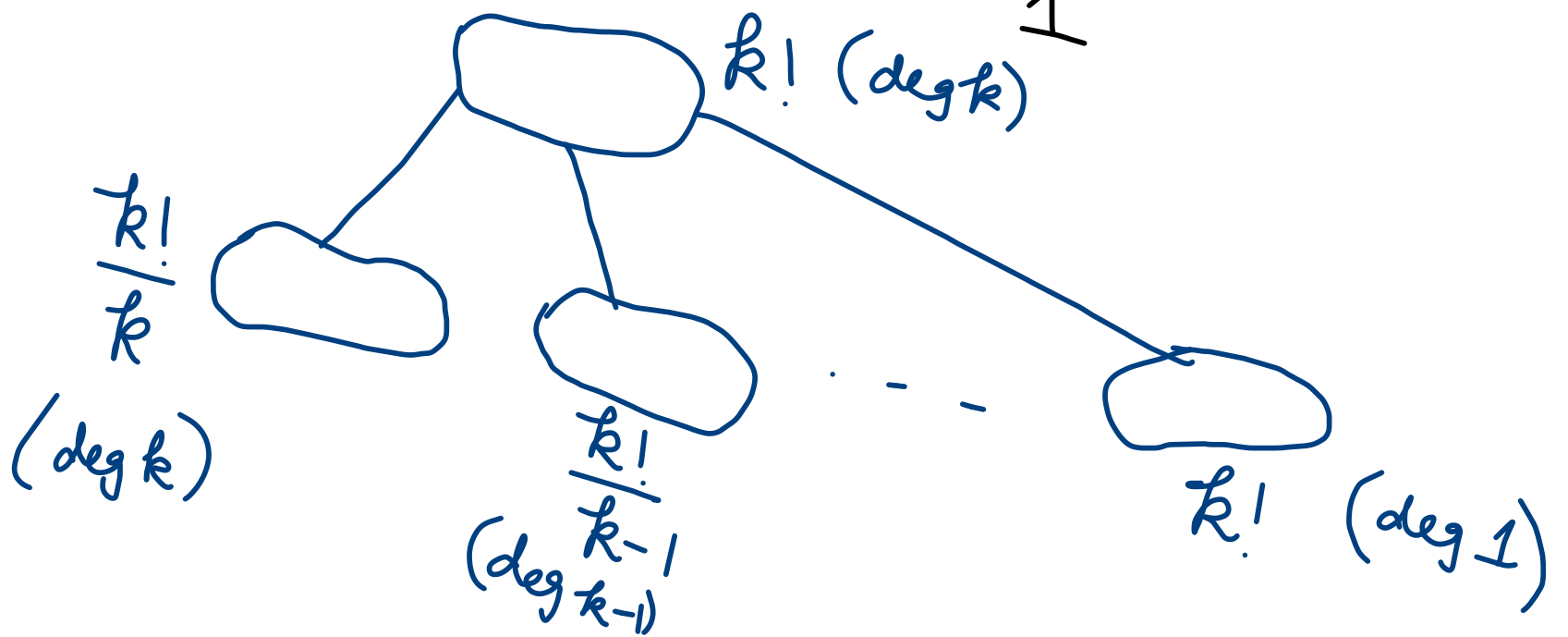




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depends  
on  
 $n$

$$\frac{k! \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k}\right)}{k!} = \log k \approx \log \log n$$



# Vertex Cover . 2-Approx Algo

- $V' \leftarrow \emptyset$
- Choose  $e = (u, v) \in E$  (\*)
- $V' = V' \cup \{u, v\}$
- Remove all edges incident on  $u$  &  $v$  from  $E$ . Let the update Graph is  $G^* = (V^*, E^*)$
- Repeat the same algo for  $G^*$ . until  $V^* = \emptyset$

$C \rightarrow$  # vertex returned by this algo.

$C^* \rightarrow$  # vertex returned by optimal algo

$A \rightarrow$  # edges chosen in (\*)

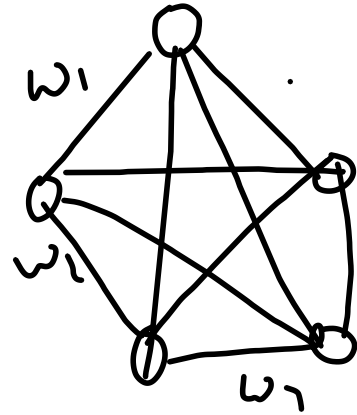
$$C = 2A \quad | \quad C^* \geq A$$

$$C \leq 2C^*$$

# The traveling Salesman Problem

(Following triangle inequality)

(All weights are (+)ve)



- Visit each node exactly once.
- Return to your starting point.
- Minimize the total Cost & return the cost.

(Return a Walk for which the cost is minimum)

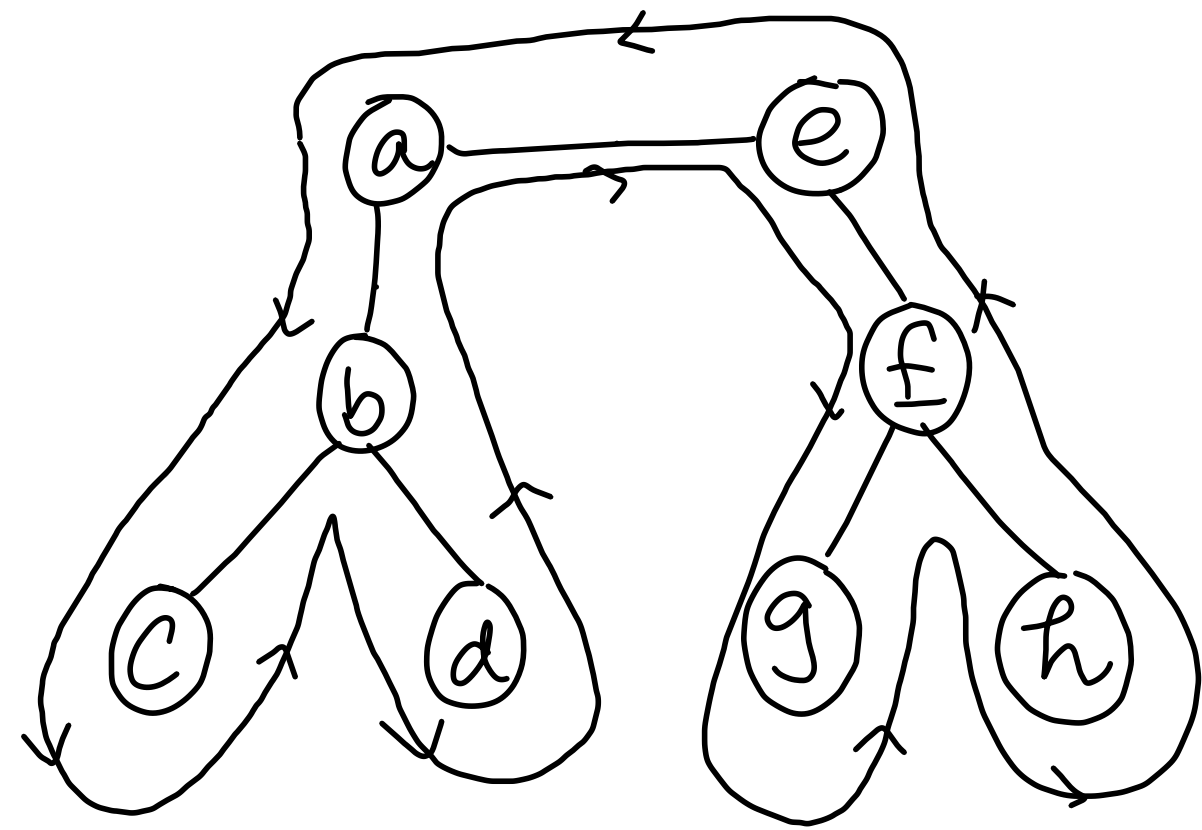
②

$$c(v_i, v_j) \leq c(v_i, v_k) + c(v_k, v_j)$$

$$W^* \leq 2W$$

Algorithm

└ Find Minimal Spanning tree



Return the cost of this walk. (W)

Weights are given on the edges

Walk

→ (W)

a → b → c → b → d → b → a → e → f  
 ↓  
 e ← f ← h ← f ← g

$W^*$  → optimal tour

T → MST

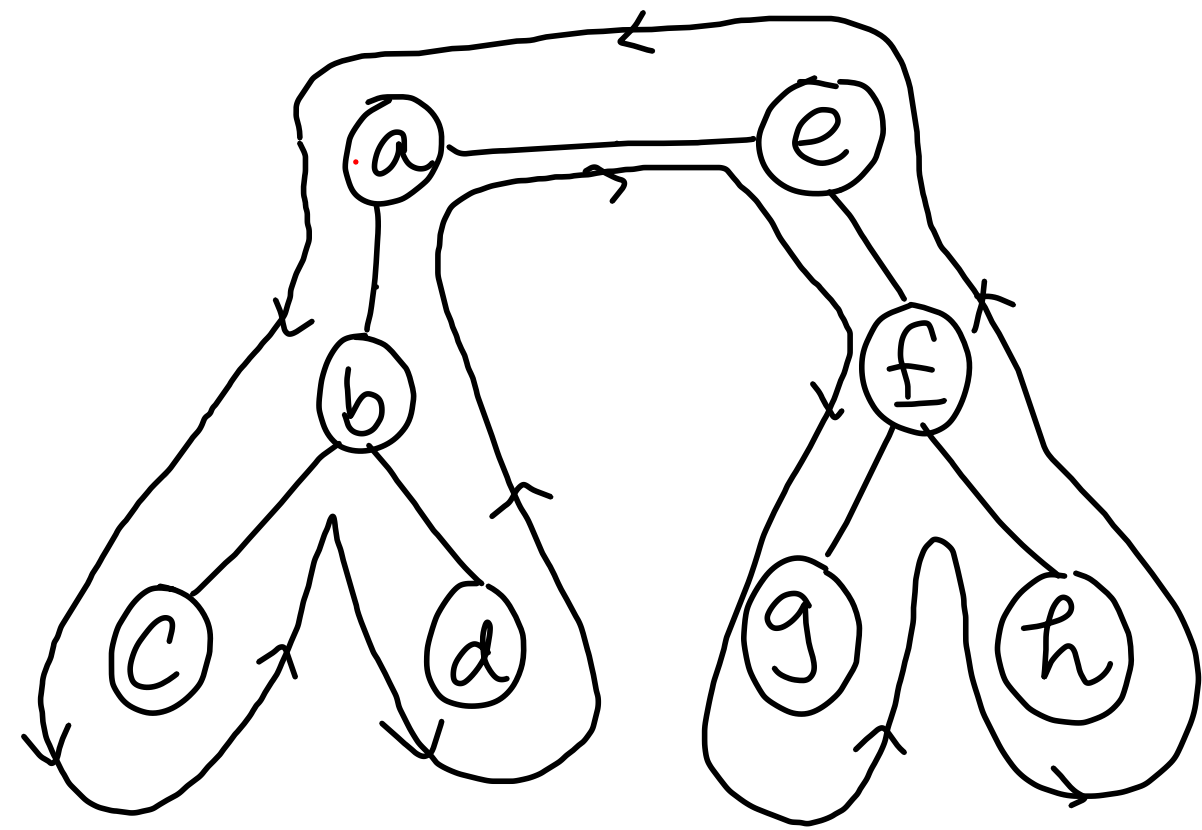
W → Walk through T

$$e(W) = 2 e(T)$$

$$e(T) < e(W^*)$$

$$C(W) < 2 e(W^*)$$





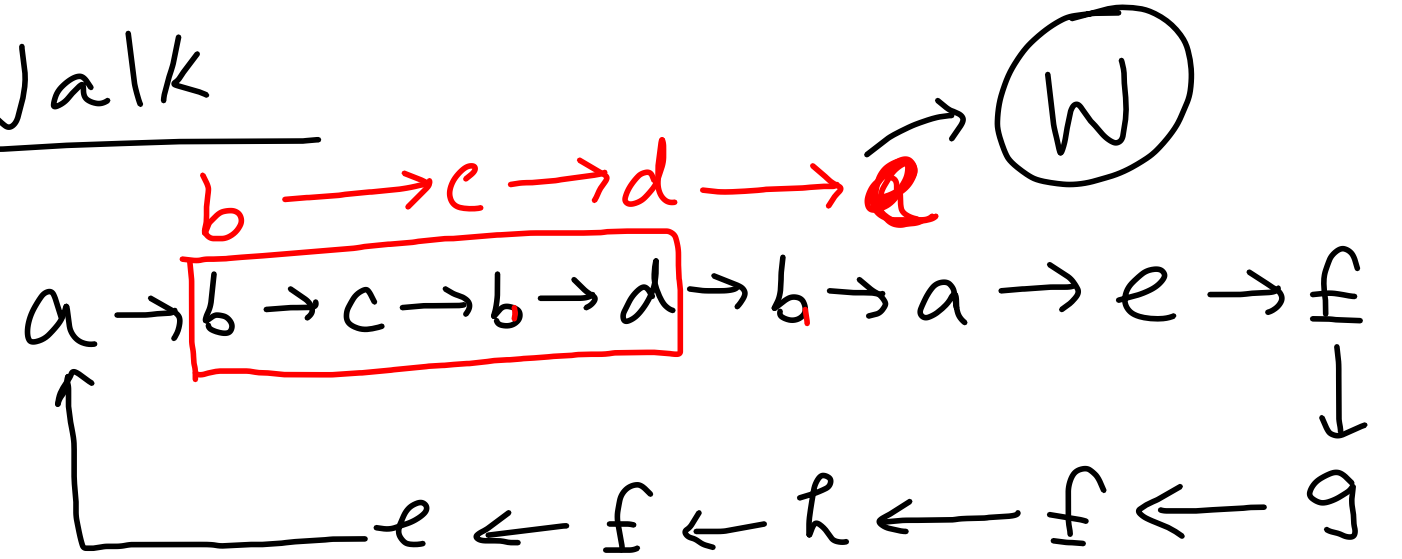
Return the cost of this Walk. (W)

$a \rightarrow b \rightarrow c \rightarrow d \rightarrow e \rightarrow f \rightarrow g \rightarrow h \rightarrow a$

New walk using triangle inequality.

Weights are given on the edges

Walk



$W^* \rightarrow$  optimal tour

$T \rightarrow$  MST

$W \rightarrow$  Walk through T

$$e(W) = 2 e(T)$$

$$e(T) < e(W^*)$$

$$C(W) < 2 e(W^*)$$

$\epsilon$  - parameter



{ Approximation factor =  $(1 + \epsilon)$   
Algo  $\rightarrow O(n^{\frac{1}{\epsilon}})$

PTAS  
FPTAS

Is every AVL tree is Red Black?

