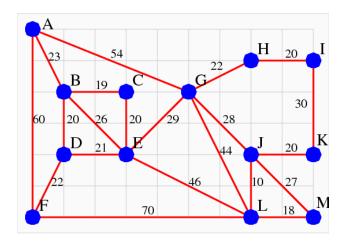
Homework #4

Algorithms II Due: Monday October 13



Problem 1:

In class, we discussed *Dijkstra's algorithm* for computing the shortest path between two nodes of an edge-weighted graph.

Assume that you have been given the graph shown in the figure, and that you want to determine the length of the shortest path from node A to node L. Carry out, by hand, Dijkstra's algorithm.

- 1. At each step, state which edge is being selected, and why;
- 2. Once you have reached the destination, state the length of the shortest path.

Problem 2:

In class, we discussed the concept of the *minimum spanning tree* for a connected, edge-weighted graph, that is, a selection of some of the edges of the graph with the properties that:

- the graph is still connected using only the selected edges, and;
- $\bullet\,$ the sum of the edge-weights is the minimum possible value.

Assume that you have been given the graph shown in the figure. Carry out, by hand, the steps of the minimum spanning tree algorithm.

- 1. At each step, list the edge you have selected;
- 2. At the end, state the total length of your selected edges.