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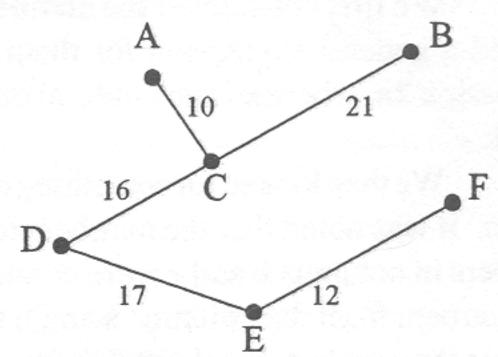
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## Solutions... (from page 3)

1. The length of the shortest network is 76 feet, so 75 feet of cable is insufficient.



2. Total length of wire needed: 37 meters.

