# CS 218 DATA STRUCTURES ASSIGNMENT 4 SECTION A, B, C and D Fall 2019

**DUE**: 20<sup>th</sup> November 2019 (Late submissions will not be accepted)

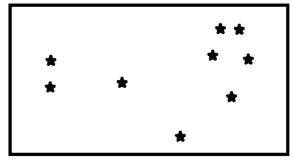
**SUBMIT:** Commented and well written structured code in C++ should be submitted on classroom. Undocumented code will be assigned a zero. The name of your file should be your NUCES roll number.

## PROBLEM BACKGROUND

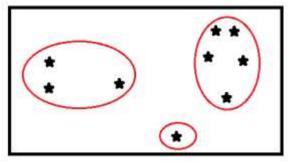
We are designing a software for astronomers. We have information regarding some stars scattered in space. We wish to find star assemblies; we can do so by grouping the stars.



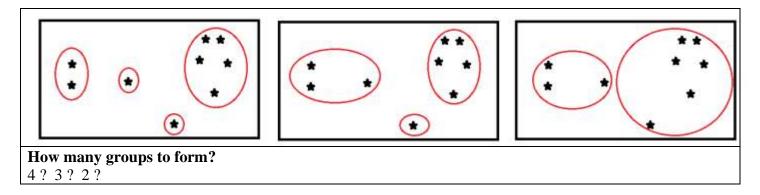
How can we group the stars? Now, this is a bit complicated and confusing task. We have mapped the information about some important stars to a two-dimensional plane.



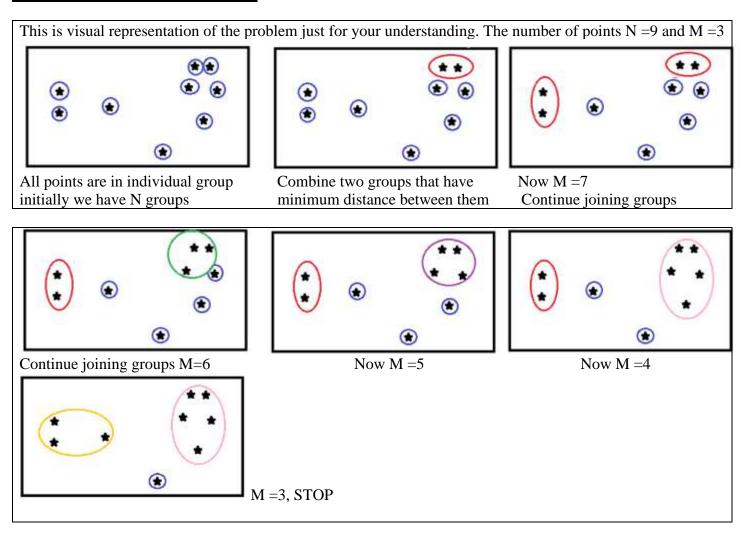
We decided to group the stars based on the distance between them. The stars which are close to one another should be in one group.



We don't know how many groups to form.



To remedy this problem, we take number of groups, M, as input from the user. We assume that initially each star lies in an individual group. We join the groups of stars to form larger groups till we are left with M groups. We merge the groups on the base of the distance between them. We merge the groups that are closest to one another. More precisely, to join the groups, we find pairwise distance between all the groups and merge the ones with the minimum distance between them.



We merge the groups with the minimum distance between them.

*The minimum should ring a bell*. Yes, we will be using Heaps to efficiently find the minimum distance. The distance between the two points will be calculated using Euclidean distance formula.

# BASIC IDEA FOR GROUPING THE POINTS

Now we describe the basic idea. Note that it is bit inefficient and later we will add heap to make it efficient.

# Algorithm for grouping points using Heap:

- 1. Input N (the number of points) and M (the number of required groups) from the input file.
- 2. Read two dimensional points from a file. Assume each point forms an individual group. Let the groups are numbered from 1 to N.
- 3. Compute the distance between each pair of points. Save these pairwise distances in a 2D Matrix of size NxN and call it distance matrix.
- 4. Repeat till you are left with M groups of points.
  - a. Find the minimum distance in the Distance Matrix. Find the groups that correspond to this minimum distance, lets call them Gp and Gq
    - i. Merge Gp and Gq to form a Gpq. To merge two groups, you will have to update the 2D distance matrix (as described below)

# What is the running time of the above algorithm?

Consider the following example to understand the above basic algorithm for grouping points.

9 #3
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10.2 5.5
9.5 4.3
10.7 4.3
7.7 1.2 1 1 0 8 8 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
0 2 4 6 8 10 12

									How to compute the distance?		
created using points in Input file											
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	The distance between two points is computed using
	1	0.0	1.0	2.2	7.8	8.3	7.5	8.7	6.4	8.1	Euclidean distance formula
	2	1.0	0.0	2.2	8.0	8.5	7.6	8.8	6.0	8.0	
	3	2.2	2.2	0.0	5.9	6.4	5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0	For example: Distance between pt1 (2,4.2) &
	4	7.8	8.0	5.9	0.0	0.5	1.2	1.6	4.7	2.8	pt2 (2,3.2)
	5	8.3	8.5	6.4	0.5	0.0	1.4	1.3	5.0	2.8	$= ((2-2)^2 + (4.2-3.2)^2)^{1/2} = 1.0$
	6	7.5	7.6	5.4	1.2	1.4	0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7	Notice that the upper and lower triangular part
	7	8.7	8.8	6.6	1.6	1.3	1.2	0.0	4.3	1.7	of matrix is same. So, we will only consider
	8	6.4	6.0	4.4	4.7	5.0	3.6	4.3	0.0	2.7	upper triangular part.
	9	8.1	8.0	6.0	2.8	2.8	1.7	1.7	2.7	0.0	abber armigum bara

#### **Initial Metrix**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	0.0	1.0	2.2	7.8	8.3	7.5	8.7	6.4	8.1
2		0.0	2.2	8.0	8.5	7.6	8.8	6.0	8.0
3			0.0	5.9	6.4	5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0
4				0.0	0.5	1.2	1.6	4.7	2.8
5					0.0	1.4	1.3	5.0	2.8
6						0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7
7							0.0	4.3	1.7
8								0.0	2.7
9									0.0

Find minimum in the above Matrix. It will take  $O(n^2)$ .

The min distance = 0.5
It is between pt 4 and 5
Merge pt4 and pt5 in a group. And update the distance matrix

# **Iteration 1**

	1	2	3	4,5	6	7	8	9
1	0.0	1.0	2.2		7.5	8.7	6.4	8.1
2		0.0	2.2		7.6	8.8	6.0	8.0
3			0.0		5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0
4,5				0.0				
6					0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7
7						0.0	4.3	1.7
8							0.0	2.7
9					·	·	·	0.0

The values in green cell need to be recalculated.

Matrix[1][4,5] = minimum( distance(1,4), distance(1,5)) Matrix[1][4,5] = minimum( 7.8, 8.3) = 7.8

 $\begin{aligned} & Matrix[2][4,5] = minimum(\ distance(2,4)\ ,\ distance(2,5)) \\ & Matrix[1][4,5] = minimum(\ 8.0,\ 8.5) = 8.0 \end{aligned}$ 

	1	2	3	4,5	6	7	8	9
1	0.0	1.0	2.2	7.8	7.5	8.7	6.4	8.1
2		0.0	2.2	8.0	7.6	8.8	6.0	8.0
3			0.0	5.9	5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0
4,5				0.0	1.2	1.3	4.7	2.8
6					0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7
7						0.0	4.3	1.7
8							0.0	2.7
9								0.0

## **Iteration 2**

The minimum = 1.0 between p1 and 2. The distance matrix after merge.

	1,2	3	4,5	6	7	8	9
1,2	0.0	2.2	7.8	7.5	8.7	6	8
3		0.0	5.9	5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0
4,5			0.0	1.2	1.3	4.7	2.8
6				0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7
7					0.0	4.3	1.7
8						0.0	2.7
9							0.0

#### **Iteration 3**

After merging G4,5 and G6.

	1,2	3	4,5,6	7	8	9
1,2	0.0	2.2	7.5	8.7	6	8
3		0.0	5.4	6.6	4.4	6.0
4,5,6			0.0	1.2	3.6	1.7
7				0.0	4.3	1.7
8	•				0.0	2.7
9						0.0

#### **Iteration 4**

After merging G4,5,6 and G7.

	1,2	3	4,5,6,7	8	9
1,2	0.0	2.2	7.5	6	8
3		0.0	5.4	4.4	6.0
4,5,6,7			0.0	3.6	1.7
8				0.0	2.7
9					0.0

#### **Iteration 5**

Now G4,5,6,7 and G9 has minimum distance so merge them and update matrix.

	1,2	3	4,5,6,7,9	8
1,2	0.0	2.2	7.5	6
3		0.0	5.4	4.4
4,5,6,7,9			0.0	2.7
8				0.0

#### **Iteration 6**

After merging G1,2 and G3.

	1,2,3	4,5,6,7,9	8
1,2,3	0.0	5.4	4.4
4,5,6,7,9		0.0	2.7
8			0.0

As now we have three groups and M=3 so we will stop here.

## Output

The output is the points in each group

Group 1: (2,4.2), (2,3.2), (4.1,3.7)

Group 2: (9.7,5.5), (10.2,5.5), (9.5,4.3),

(10.7,4.3), (10,2.7)

Group 3: (7.7,1.2)

To keep track of the points in each group we have can maintain a vector of linked lists. Where each list represents a group. When two groups are merged we can merge the corresponding linked list in O(1) time.

#### **ASSIGNMENT DETAILS**

The matrix-based implementation of the above algorithm is not efficient. In this assignment, you will implement the efficient implementation of the above idea using HEAPS.

Precisely, you will implement a program that inputs N points and group them into M groups based on minimum distance between them. You will use HEAPS to efficiently find the minimum.

#### **INPUT**

The input file will have N the number of points and M the number of required groups on first line separated by #. From second line onwards the input file will consist of x, y coordinates of points (separated by tab) where each point is the location of a star in a 2-dimentional plane.

Input	file					
9#3						
	4.5					
9.6	2.6					

## Pseudocode of the Efficient Algorithm for grouping points (USES Heap):

- 5. Input N (the number of points) and M (the number of required groups) from the input file.
- 6. Read two dimensional points from a file. Assume each point forms an individual group. Let the groups are numbered from 1 to N.
- 7. Compute the distance between each pair of points. Create a MINHEAP of N(N-1)/2 pairwise distances in  $O(N^2)$ .
- 8. Repeat till you are left with M groups of points.
  - a. Extract the Minimum distance from the above Min-Heap. Also extract the groups that correspond to this minimum distance, let's call them Gp and Gq.
  - **b.** Merge Gp and Gq to form a Gpq. To merge two groups, you will have to update the distances in the Minheap. For this we maintain a matrix to track where the distances between different groups exists in the heap.

# **REQUIRED OUTPUT**

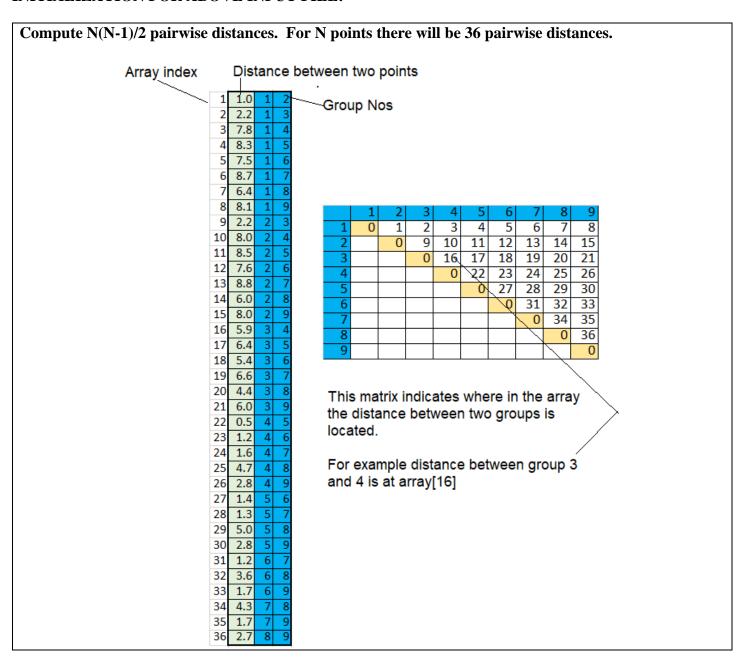
The required output is the points in each group

Group 1: (2,4.2), (2,3.2), (4.1,3.7)

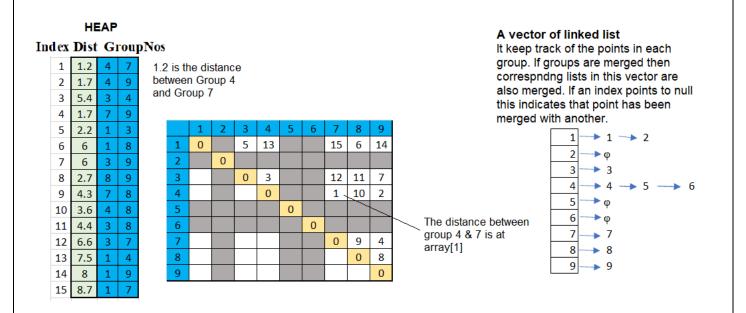
Group 2: (9.7,5.5), (10.2,5.5), (9.5,4.3), (10.7,4.3), (10,2.7)

Group 3: (7.7,1.2)

#### **INITIALIZATION FOR ABOVE INPUT FILE:**



After 3<sup>rd</sup> Iteration of the above algorithm. The point 1 &2 would be merged and point 4, 5,6 would be merged in a group. The heap, matrix and vector of linked list would as follows:



Note: it is not efficient to shrink a 2D matrix, so we didn't shrink the matrix. The rows and columns in grey are no longer needed and will not be accessed.

## **REQUIREMENTs:**

- 1. Implement the heap class using arrays. You cannot use the STL heap class. The heap should hold the distances between groups of points along with the group Nos. In the above example, the root of heap tell that the minimum distance is 1.5 and it is between group 4 and 5. Implement modified heap functions. When two groups are merged. The new distances are computed between the new merged group and other existing group. The distances in the heap should be updated accordingly. The matrix will help to locate the distances (that need to be changed) in the heap array.
- 2. To keep track of the points in each cluster use a **vector of linked lists**; where each list represents a group. When two groups are merged, we can merge the corresponding linked list in O (1) time. Use the built-in STL linked list or vector. You cannot use your own code of linked list.
- 3. Ensure your algorithm runs in  $O(n^2 \log n)$  time.

## VERY IMPORTANT

• Academic integrity is expected of all the students. Plagiarism or cheating in any assessment will result in negative marking or an **F** grade in the course, and possibly more severe penalties.