Report MDISC - Explanation US013

Group 11

Kruskal's Algorithm

Kruskal's algorithm is widely recognized as one of the most effective methods for determining the Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) in a graph. An MST in a connected graph is a tree-like structure that connects all vertices of the graph with the lowest possible total cost. The Kruskal process is based on selecting edges with the lowest possible cost, while ensuring that these choices do not create cycles when added to the MST.

1. DisjointSet.java

This class represents a disjoint set data structure. It is used to manage a set of elements partitioned into a number of disjoint (non-overlapping) subsets.

It has two main methods: find and union. The find method is used to determine the parent of an element (i.e., the representative of the subset to which the element belongs). The union method is used to merge two subsets into a single subset.

This class is used in Kruskal's algorithm to check if two nodes belong to the same subset (to avoid creating a cycle) and to merge the subsets of two nodes when an edge is added to the minimum spanning tree.

```
public class DisjointSet {
    private int[] parent;
    private int[] rank;

public DisjointSet(int size) {
        parent = new int[size];
        rank = new int[size];
        for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
            parent[i] = i;
                rank[i] = 0;
        }
    }

public int find(int element) {
        if (parent[element] != element) {
            parent[element] = find(parent[element]);
        }
        return parent[element];
}

public void union(int element1, int element2) {
        int root1 = find(element2);
        if (root1! = root2) {
            if (rank[root1] > rank[root2]) {
                parent[root2] = root1;
            } else if (rank[root1] < rank[root2] > rank[root1] ++;
        }
    }
}
```

2. Edge.java

This class represents an edge in a graph. It has three properties: src (the source node), dest (the destination node), and weight (the weight of the edge).

```
public class Edge {
   int src, dest, weight;

public Edge(int src, int dest, int weight) {
     this.src = src;
     this.dest = dest;
     this.weight = weight;
   }
}
```

3. IrrigationSystem.java

This class represents an irrigation system, modeled as a graph where the nodes represent points in the system and the edges represent connections between the points.

The importCsv method is used to import a graph from a CSV file. The graph is represented as a 2D array where the cell at the i-th row and j-th column represents the weight of the edge between the i-th and j-th nodes.

The sortEdges method is used to sort the edges of the graph in ascending order of their weights. This is a step in Kruskal's algorithm.

The planIrrigationSystem method implements Kruskal's algorithm to find the minimum spanning tree of the graph. It uses the DisjointSet class to keep track of the subsets of nodes and the sortEdges method to sort the edges before processing. Finally, the visualizeGraph method is used to visualize the input graph and the minimum spanning tree using the GraphStream library.

The algorithm works as follows:

- Import the graph from a CSV file using the importCsv method.
- Sort the edges of the graph in ascending order of their weights using the sortEdges method.
- Initialize a new disjoint set with a size equal to the number of nodes in the graph.
- Initialize an empty minimum spanning tree.
- Iterate over the sorted edges. For each edge, use the find method of the disjoint set to
 check if the two nodes of the edge belong to the same subset. If they do, skip the edge
 (as adding it to the minimum spanning tree would create a cycle). If they don't, add the
 edge to the minimum spanning tree and use the union method of the disjoint set to
 merge the subsets of the two nodes.
- Continue until the minimum spanning tree contains n 1 edges (where n is the number of nodes in the graph) or until all edges have been processed.
- Visualize the input graph and the minimum spanning tree using the visualizeGraph method.