

**Assignment No: B-11**

**Title: -** To study and implement the construction of minimum spanning tree.

**Index Terms:** class, objects, MST, Prims, Cycle

**Problem Statement:** You have a business with several offices; you want to lease phone lines to connect them up with each other; and the phone company charges different amounts of money to connect different pairs of cities. You want a set of lines that connects all your offices with a minimum total cost. Solve the problem by suggesting appropriate data structures.

**Theory:**

**Spanning Tree:** Any tree, which consists solely of edges in graph G and includes all the vertices in G is called as a spanning tree. Thus for a given connected graph there are multiple spanning trees possible. For a maximal connected graph having n vertices the number of different possible spanning trees is equal to  $(n!)$ .

**Minimum Spanning Tree:** The minimum cost or minimum weightage spanning tree is called as Minimum Spanning Tree. To obtain a minimum spanning tree for a given connected graph, we can use Prim's algorithm (vertex by vertex) or Kruskal's algorithm (edge by edge).

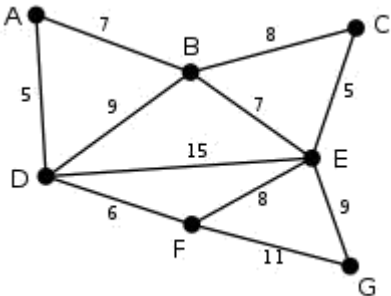
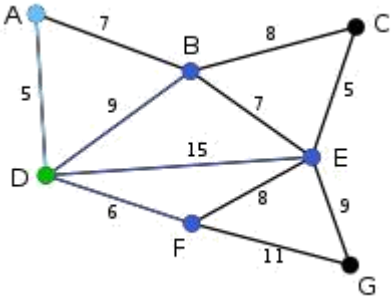
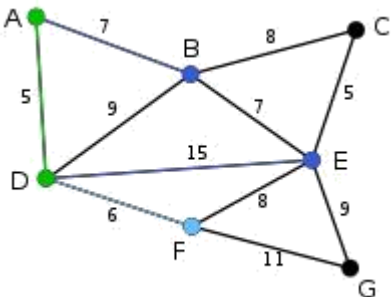
**Prim's Algorithm:** In computer science, Prim's algorithm is a greedy algorithm that finds a minimum spanning tree for a connected weighted undirected graph. This means it finds a subset of the edges that forms a tree that includes every vertex, where the total weight of all the edges in the tree is minimized.

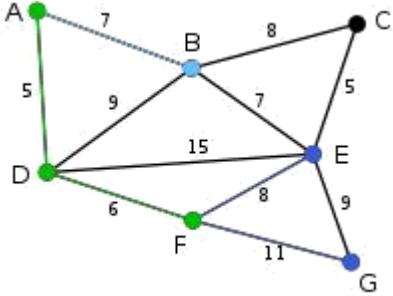
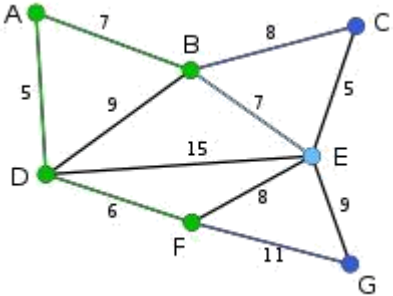
All vertices of a connected graph are included in minimum cost spanning tree. Prim's algorithm starts from one vertex and grows the rest of tree by adding one vertex at a time by adding associated edge in set T. This algorithm builds a tree by iteratively adding edges until all vertices are visited. The resultant tree is a minimum spanning tree. At each iteration it **selects the vertex** and associated edge having minimum cost or weightage that does not create a cycle. The algorithm is:

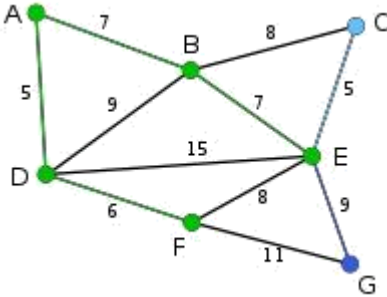
**Applications of spanning trees:**

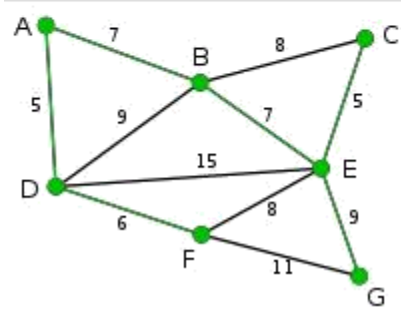
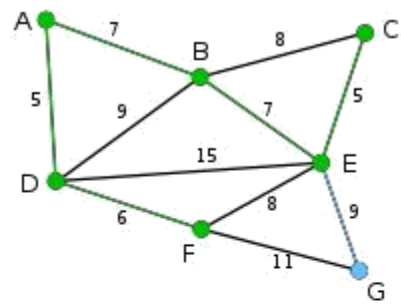
- To find independent set of circuit equations for an electrical network. By adding an edge from set B to spanning tree we get a cycle and then Kirchhoff's second law is used on the resulting cycle to obtain a circuit equation. Thus the total number of independent circuit equation we get is equal to the number of edges in set B.
- Using the property of spanning trees we can select the spanning tree with  $(n-1)$  edges such that total cost is minimum if each edge in a graph represents cost (weightage). For example, a communication network between number of cities.

**Example run**

Image	U	Edge(u,v)	V \ U	Description
	{}		{A,B,C,D,E,F,G}	This is our original weighted graph. The numbers near the edges indicate their weight.
	{D}	$(D,A) = 5$ V $(D,B) = 9$ $(D,E) = 15$ $(D,F) = 6$	{A,B,C,E,F,G}	Vertex <b>D</b> has been arbitrarily chosen as a starting point. Vertices <b>A</b> , <b>B</b> , <b>E</b> and <b>F</b> are connected to <b>D</b> through a single edge. <b>A</b> is the vertex nearest to <b>D</b> and will be chosen as the second vertex along with the
	{A,D}	$(D,B) = 9$ $(D,E) = 15$ $(D,F) = 6$ V	{B,C,E,F,G}	The next vertex chosen is the vertex nearest to <i>either D or A</i> . <b>B</b> is 9 away from <b>D</b> and 7 away from <b>A</b> , <b>E</b> is 15, and <b>F</b> is 6. <b>F</b>

		$(A,B) = 7$		is the smallest distance away, so we highlight the vertex <b>F</b> and the arc <b>DF</b> .
	{A,D,F}	$(D,B) = 9$ $(D,E) = 15$ $(A,B) = 7$ <b>V</b> $(F,E) = 8$ $(F,G) = 11$	{B,C,E,G}	The algorithm carries on as above. Vertex <b>B</b> , which is 7 away from <b>A</b> , is highlighted.
	{A,B,D,F}	$(B,C) = 8$ $(B,E) = 7$ <b>V</b> $(D,B) = 9$ cycle	{C,E,G}	<p>In this case, we can choose between <b>C</b>, <b>E</b>, and <b>G</b>. <b>C</b> is 8 away from <b>B</b>, <b>E</b> is 7 away from <b>B</b>, and</p> <p><b>G</b> is 11 away from <b>F</b>. <b>E</b> is nearest, so we highlight the vertex <b>E</b> and the</p>

	{A,B,D,E,F}	(B,C) = 8 (D,B) = 9 cycle (D,E) = 15 cycle (E,C) = 5 <b>V</b> (E,G) = 9 (F,E) = 8 cycle (F,G) = 11	{C,G}	Here, the only vertices available are <b>C</b> and <b>G</b> . <b>C</b> is 5 away from <b>E</b> , and <b>G</b> is 9 away from <b>E</b> . <b>C</b> is chosen, so it is highlighted along with the
	{A,B,C,D,E,F}	(B,C) = 8 cycle (D,B) = 9 cycle (D,E) = 15 cycle (E,G) = 9 <b>V</b> (F,E) = 8 cycle (F,G) = 11	{G}	Vertex <b>G</b> is the only remaining vertex. It is 11 away from <b>F</b> , and  9 away from <b>E</b> . <b>E</b> is nearer, so we highlight <b>G</b> and the arc <b>EG</b> .



{A,B,C,D,E,F,  
G}

(B,C) = 8  
cycle  
(D,B) = 9  
cycle  
(D,E) = 15  
cycle  
(F,E) = 8  
cycle  
(F,G) = 11  
cycle

{ }

Now all the vertices have been selected and the minimum spanning tree is shown in green. In this case, it has weight 39.

<p>Class node is not necessary here... since we are implementing using adjacency Matrix.</p>	<pre> class Graph { public:     int cost[20][20], mincost,     n; Graph()     {         for(i=1;i&lt;=10;i++)             for(j=1;j&lt;=10;j++)                 {                     cost[i][j]=-1;                 }          mincost=0;     }     void Create();     void Display();     void Prims(); }; </pre>
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**Algorithm Create ()**

// This algorithm is used to read input undirected graph from user.

1. {
2.     Read( no of nodes as n);
3.     Repeat()
4.     {
5.         Write("Enter starting and ending vertices and its cost");
6.         Read(v1 , v2 and c);
7.         cost[v1][v2]=cost[v2][v1]=c;
8.         Write("Do You Want To Enter More Edges ");
9.     }until(false);
10.    }

**Algorithm Display ()**

// This algorithm is used to print undirected graph given by user.

1. {
2.     for( i=1 to n) do
3.     for(j=1 to n ) do
4.         Write(cost[i][j]);
5.     }

**Algorithm Prims()**

// This algorithm is used to find MST and its cost using Prims Logic

1. {
2.     for(i=1 to n) do
3.         visit[i]=0;

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4.      Read ("Enter Starting Vertex in s");
5.      Visit[s]=1;
6.      for(k=1 to n-1) do
7.      {
8.      min=999;
9.      for(i=1 to n) do {
10.     for(j=1 to n) do
11.     {
12.     if(visit[i]==1 && visit[j]==0) // look for unvisited vertex from visited
13.     {
14.     if(cost[i][j]!=-1 && min>cost[i][j]) find near with min cost
15.     {
16.     min=cost[i][j];
17.     row=i;
18.     col=j;
19.     }
20.     }
21.     }
22.     }
23.     Write(Selected Edge in MST is row and col);
24.     mincost=mincost+min;
25.     visit[col]=1;
26.     cost[row][col]=-1;
27.     cost[col][row]=-1;
28.     }
29.     Write(Total Min Cost as mincost);
30.     }
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**Frequently Asked Questions:**

- 1) What is a minimum spanning tree?
- 2) What is weighted graph?
- 3) What are the Prim's algorithms?
- 4) What are the applications of the minimal spanning tree?
- 5) How does Prim's algorithm work?
- 6) What is the Complexity of prim's algorithm?
- 7) What is the application of prim's algorithm?
- 8) State the advantages of the prim's algorithm?

**Flowcharts:**

**Conclusions:**