Machine Problem 1 MST Algorithm

Object Description:

Edge:

Contains source, destination and weight of an edge

Has getter and setter methods for all its contents

Color/Pixel:

Contains RGB values

Method for getting average RGB difference between two Colors/Pixels (returns float aveRGB)

Method for getting weight between two Colors/Pixels (returns float pixWeight)

WQU/Disjoint Sets:

Contains predecessor array and size of tree (initially each node is a predecessor of itself and each tree has size 1) each with V elements

Method for determining which set a node belongs or simply getting root of a node (returns int root); implemented with path compression

Method for combining two sets (effectively updates predecessor array and size of subtree)

Graph:

Contains an adjacency list (has V nodes) of Edge objects; note that two distinct nodes can only be neighbors if they are exactly one pixel away from each other

Contains pixel list (has V nodes) of Color/Pixel objects

Elements from any lists can be conveniently accessed

Has method for conversion of image to graph and vice versa

Has method algorithm 1 which modifies the graph into an MST

Note: text in bold and italics means that a class method/container was used

algorithm modifiedMST( )

initialize Graph G with *v* Pixels

initialize Disjoint Set D with *v* component trees, one for each vertex in G

while *v* is greater than parameter *k*:

    create/reset flag: no decrease in component tree count is true

    initialize the shortest edge from any node to its neighbor to **INFINTY**

    for every node *n*:

        for every neighbor of node *m*:

            ignore if *m* and *n* have the same root in D

            find minimum crossing edge *e* from *m* to *n*

            if shortest edge of *n* is greater than *e*

               set *e* as shortest edge of *n*

            if shortest edge of *m* is greater than *e*

               set *e* as shortest edge of *m*

    for every component tree whose shortest edge *e* is not **INFINITY**:

        ignore edge if ***e.source*** and ***e.destination*** has same ***root*** in D

        ignore edge if ***e.weight*** is greater than or equal to parameter *T1*

        ignore edge if ***average RGB difference*** between Color of ***e.source*** and Color of ***e.destination*** color is greater than or equal to parameter *T2*

        get updated Color value *c* using weighted averaging
        //Explained at a later part

        change Color of the root of ***e.source*** in D and the Color of the root of e.destination in D to updated Color value *c*

        combine set of ***e.source's root*** in D and ***e.destination's*** root in D
        //This is the same as adding *e* to the MST

        change flag: no decrease in component tree count to false

    for every node *n*:

        reset the shortest edge to *INFINTY*

        change Color of node *n* to the Color of ***n's root*** in D

    for every edge *e* in G:

       ignore if ***e.source*** and ***e.destination*** has same root in D

       new edge weight is the weight between the Color of ***e.source's root*** in D and the Color of ***e.destination's root*** in D

       updated ***e.weight*** is original edge weight multiplied by the new edge weight

    if the flag is true break the outermost loop

Additional note regarding weighted averaging:

In this formula, the containers pixel list in Graph and size of tree in Disjoint Sets was used. Given any two nodes, u and v, the updated color value is equal to p divided by t where:

p = (u^{th} pixel RGB values * u^{th} tree's size) + (v^{th} pixel RGB values * v^{th} tree's size)

t = u^{th} tree's size + v^{th} tree's size