## CS2010 PS3 - Hospital Tour

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Collaboration Policy. You are encouraged to work with other students on solving this problem set. However, you must write up your solution by yourself. In addition, when you write up your solution, you must list the names of every collaborator, that is, every other person that you talked to about the problem (even if you only discussed it briefly). Any deviation from this policy will be considered cheating, and will be punished severely, including referral to the NUS Board of Discipline. It is not worth it to cheat just to get 15% when you will lose out in the other 85%.

**The Story.** In PS2, Steven already mentioned about "attending birth classes" to prepare for the arrival of his baby. One of the event conducted during one of the birth classes is the "hospital tour" where several parents-to-be<sup>1</sup> are gathered together and shown various facilities to help birth in that hospital. The rooms shown are typically the:

- First class single room for the new mother and her family to stay for few nights after delivery
- Delivery suites (already mentioned in PS2)
- Nursery (a room full of cute newborn babies where the babies are monitored, fed using formula milk if the baby's mother choose not to breastfeed the baby, bathed, etc)
- Neo-natal Intensive Care Unit (a room that you hope your baby will never use)
- Etc

Steven observed that during the tour that he and Grace joined, we were only shown "the better rooms" of the hospital although the hospital itself is much bigger than that. For example, the double and four-bedded rooms, the surgery room (for Caesarean section), the cashier room (where you have to fork out thousand of dollars to pay your bills), birth registration room, etc, are not shown for 'logical reasons'. "Interesting", Steven thought. As a Computer Scientist, his mind started wandering on what happened behind the scenes so that his hospital tour was impressive...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>99% of the attendees are young couples expecting their first baby – including Steven and his wife Grace. Couples do not normally go to birth classes again for their second (or third, etc) baby.

**The Actual Problem.** This is what happened behind the scenes, many years before Steven visited that hospital...

Assume that you are the manager of your hospital. You know the layout of your hospital (a connected weighted graph) and you have given rating score to each room (the weight of each vertex of your graph). You want to decorate certain room(s) in your hospital so that visitors will feel better when visiting your hospital. As your budget is limited, you want to decorate only the *important* room(s) with the lowest rating score. You define important room as a room that links different buildings in your hospital such that if that room (actually the corridor beside that room) is blocked, the buildings in the hospital becomes 'disconnected'. You want to know the lowest rating score of an important room in your hospital.

For example, suppose your hospital is a connected weighted graph as shown below:

There are two major buildings (ABCD and EFGH) linked by an important corridor C-H besides the two important rooms (C and H). For example, if room C is blocked, then people currently in room A, B, or D will not be able to visit people in rooms E, F, G, or H. Or in another word, the hospital becomes 'disconnected'. Similar situation if room H is blocked. The other rooms are not important rooms. For example, if room B is blocked, people from room A can still go to any other rooms in the hospital (other than room B of course) via path A-D-C and so on.

Now, among the two important rooms C versus H, room C has lower rating score (3 points) than room H (7 points). So, you will decorate room C. You will report 3 as the answer of your own query: "What is the lowest rating score of an important room in your hospital?".

The skeleton program HospitalTour.java is already written for you, you just need to implement one (or more) method(s)/function(s):

## • int Query()

Query your Adjacency List data structure (already implemented in HospitalTour.java; if you do not understand how it works, do not worry: This will be discussed in Week06 lab demo) and returns the lowest weight (lowest rating score) of an important vertex (important room) of your graph (your hospital) (these rating scores are stored in another Vector of Integers). If your hospital has no important room. You will not decorate any room, i.e. you just return -1. Note that there is no ambiguity in this query if your hospital has more than one important room with similar lowest rating score.

• If needed, you can write additional helper methods/functions to simplify your code.

Subtask 1 (50 points). The given hospital layout map is a small weighted tree ( $1 \le V \le 10$ ).

Example:

There are four important rooms in this hospital: B, C, E, H. Among these four, important room B has the lowest rating score: 2. Therefore, the answer for your own query is 2.

Subtask 2 (50 points). The given hospital layout map is a small, connected, and weighted general graph  $(1 \le V \le 10)$ . You can use Sample.txt and Sample-ans.txt to check if your program can pass Subtask 2. Note: We have more rigorous test cases to judge your final submission.

Bonus point: 10 points. Your program must be able to solve Subtask 2 and also must be *very efficient* as you will be given a *large*, connected, and weighted general graph  $(1 \le V + E \le 100000)$ . Hint: This requires a special algorithm beyond CS2010. If you can do this, you will get bonus point. Beware that this part can take hours to complete...

**Note:** The test data to reach 50 points: Subtask1.txt is given to you. You are allowed to check your program's output with your friend's.