Practical Work number 4:

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Prim's algorithm is a popular algorithm used to find the minimum spanning tree (MST) of a weighted undirected graph. The minimum spanning tree is a tree that spans all the vertices of the graph while minimizing the total weight or cost of the tree.

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def prim(graph, start_vertex):
    visited = {start_vertex}
    edges = []
    current_node = start_vertex

while len(visited) < graph.numberOfVertices():
    for neighbor in graph.Outbound_of_vertex(current_node):
        weight = graph.Costs_of_vertices(current_node, neighbor)
        if neighbor not in visited:
             heappush(edges, (weight, current_node, neighbor))

while edges:
    weight, u, v = heappop(edges)
    if v not in visited:
        visited.add(v)
        yield u, v, weight
        current_node = v
        break</pre>
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Start with a variable **start_vertex** (this is the vertex inputted by the user) and add it to the set of visited vertices.

Create an empty list named edges to store potential edges for expanding the MST.

While there are unvisited vertices:

- For each neighbor of the current vertex, calculate the weight of the edge connecting them.
- If the neighbor is not visited, add the edge to the edges list.
- Choose the edge with the minimum weight from the **edges** list.
- If the destination vertex of the chosen edge is not visited, add it to the set of visited vertices and yield the edge as part of the MST.
- Set the current vertex to the destination vertex of the chosen edge.

Repeat until all vertices are visited.

In summary, Prim's algorithm starts from a specified vertex and repeatedly selects the minimum-weight edge that connects visited vertices to unvisited vertices. It grows the minimum spanning tree by adding these edges until all vertices are included.

Manual Executions:









