

## HW4

Q1 We will consider two Linked Lists that will contain 1 Max-Heap and 1 Min Heap. The data structure will be divided in 2 sorted parts, where the left part will contain the smaller ~~parts~~ values and the higher values will be stored in the Min Heap. We also have two pointer variables,  $lenMax$  and  $lenMin$  which will contain the count of elements in the respective heaps.

Algorithm to find Median:

If  $lenMax = lenMin$  and not zero:  
Pick the root element of min Heap and max Heap. Let it be  $x$  and  $y$  respectively.  
Return  $(x+y)/2$

Else If  $lenMax > lenMin$ :

Return Root element of max-heap

Else

Return Root element of min-heap.

Time Complexity:  $O(1)$



## Algorithm for Insert:

If  $lenMax$  and  $lenMin$  are zero:  
 Add an element to max-heap  
 Increment  $lenMax$  by 1  
 Else If root element of min-heap  $<$  <sup>element</sup> ~~element~~:  
 Insert an element to min-heap  
 Increment  $lenMin$  by 1  
 If  $lenMin - lenMax > 1$ :  
 Extract root element of min-heap  
 and insert it into max-heap  
 Decrement  $lenMin$  by 1  
 Increment  $lenMax$  by 1  
 Else  
 Insert an element to max-heap  
 Increment  $lenMax$  by 1  
 If  $lenMax - lenMin > 1$ :  
 Extract root element from <sup>max</sup> heap  
 and insert it into min-heap  
 Decrement  $lenMax$  by 1  
 Increment  $lenMin$  by 1  
 End If

## Time Complexity:

All operations take  $O(1)$ . The insertion in a max/min heap takes  $O(\log n)$  time.  
 Hence, the time complexity is  $O(\log n)$ .

Q2

We know that whenever an edge with the maximum cost in a cycle is removed, the graph would still be connected.

Using this fact, with  $(n+k)$  edges in a graph, the minimum spanning tree of a graph will have  $(n-1)$  edges which would be required to connect the graph without creating a cycle.

Thus, in order to remove those  $k$  edges, we will run the BFS for  $k$  times. For each execution, we will detect a cycle and remove the highest cost edge in the cycle.



Q3

The question says that a MST  $T$  is provided in Graph  $G$ . An edge is removed from Graph  $G$ , creating a new graph  $G_1$ . The assumption is Graph  $G_1$  is still connected. We need to check if removed edge was part of MST.

Algorithm:

If removed edge <sup>is a part of</sup> ~~affects~~ the MST  $T$ :  
Check edge of nodes that are connected to the removed edge.  
Select one of those edges and find MST in Graph  $G_1$ .

Else:

Remove the edge

Retain the previous MST.

Q4

(1) ~~(a) E-B~~ ~~(b) D-E~~ (c) A-B

(2) (b) B-E

(3) (c) 20

Q5

Here, the requirement is to select the highest weighted edge first so as to avoid the bottlenecks for router communication.

Hence, in the part of Dijkstra's Algorithm where we choose the most minimum edge, we will select the most heavy edge so as to maximize the bandwidth and avoiding any Bottlenecks.

The modified algorithm will be as follows:

Initially  $S = \{s\}$  and  $d(s) = 0$   
for all other nodes  $d(u) = \infty$

While  $S \neq V$

Select a node  $v \notin S$  with at least one edge from  $S$  for which  
 $d(v) = \min(d(u) + w_e)$

$e(u, v) : u \in S$

Add  $v$  to  $S$

End while



Q6

We have a graph  $G=(V, E)$  with vertex denoting the servers and edges representing the ~~edges~~ links to the servers.

We will make another graph,  $G'$  that will ~~not~~ contain the faulty server  $S$ .

Algorithm:

Run Breadth-First Search on Graph  $G'$  to check if the graph is connected. We can begin from any server.

If  $G'$  is not a connected graph:  
There is no way to eliminate server  $S$ .  
Return

Else:

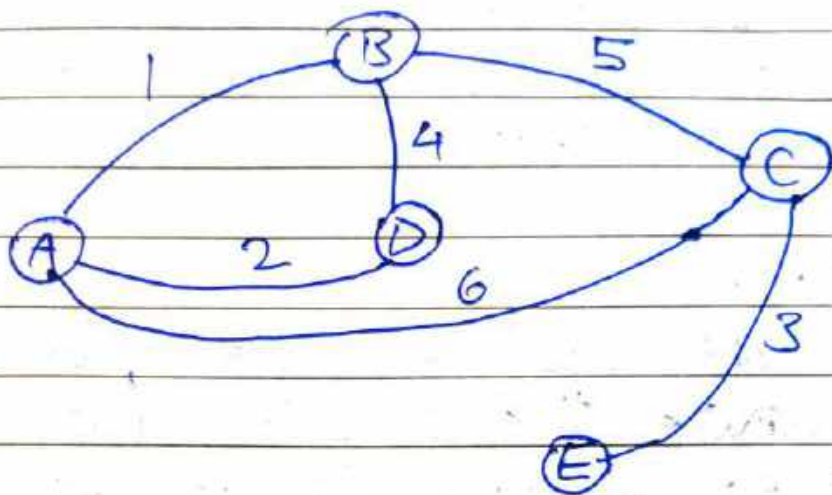
Create a Minimum Spanning Tree using Kruskal / Prim's / Reverse Delete.  
Add exactly one node that will connect node  $S$  and its neighbours with the minimum cost.

Run BFS again to compute the sum of maintenance cost of the remaining edges.

End If



Q7 We will take an example undirected graph to prove/disprove the explanations for questions 1 to



(1) False.

Here, in the above graph, we see that each edge weights are unique. But if we compute the shortest path for A-E, there are two solutions:

A-B-C-E and A-C-E both having the same cost i.e., 9 ( $1+5+3$  and  $6+3$ ).

(2) False.

If we assume  $k=5$  and  $AC=13$ , the shortest path ~~is~~ from A to E is A-B-C-E. New edge costs are  $AB=6$ ,  $BC=10$  and  $CE=8$ , which adds up to 24, and 24 is not a multiple of 5.

(3) False.

If we reduce any edge by  $k$  and the weight falls down to negative numbers, provided the graph contains a circle, the Dijkstra's algorithm will be stuck in an infinite loop and thus will not be able to compute the shortest path.

(4) False.

If we assume  $AB=3$ , and now compute the shortest path between nodes  $B$  and  $D$ , it will be  $4$  ( $B-D$ ). Squaring the weights of the edges, we get  $AB=9$ ,  $AD=4$  and  $BD=16$ . Now, the shortest path of nodes  $B$  and  $D$  will be  $A-B-D$  ( $9+4$  i.e.,  $13 < 16$ ).



Q8

For this problem, we will find the shortest path using Dijkstra's algorithm. Maintain an array that will contain the parent node to easily backtrack. Maintain another variable, 'maxWeight' to store the maximum edge weight. While running Dijkstra's, compare the edge weight to maxWeight.

If it is higher, store its value in maxWeight.

Once the execution is done, ~~some~~ ~~Dijkstra~~ set the value of the highest weighted node to zero. This way, our solution is optimized.

Since the cost of the shortest path can't be lower than any <sup>other</sup> paths, reducing the maximum weighted node to 0 is the optimal choice.