

# Lab Problem 1

COP3503  
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## 1 Goal

Find the **Minimum Spanning Tree** (*MST*) in a graph using **Prim's** algorithm.

## 2 Problem

1. Input data will be in a text file that contains the graph as an *Adjacency List*.<sup>1</sup> The input file's name will be specified in the command line as the first parameter. The input file format is specified as follows:
  - (a) The first record is a single integer with the maximum number of vertices. (*This is a one-relative number as the vertices are numbered from 0 to Maximum Number Of Vertices - 1.*)
  - (b) The second record is a single integer with the number of edges in the input file.
  - (c) Subsequent records contain the edge's specific data, as follows:
    - i. The first element is an integer representing one vertex of the edge.
    - ii. The second element is an integer representing the other vertex of the edge.
    - iii. The last element is an floating point number representing the weight of the edge.<sup>2</sup>
    - iv. Example edge record: **4 14 6.50** is an edge between vertices 4 and 14 with a weight of 6.5.
2. The expected output will be the *MST* for the given graph to include the *total weight of the MST*.
  - (a) Individual input edges should be output to **STDERR**.<sup>3</sup>
  - (b) The final weight of the **MST** should be output to **STDOUT**.

### 2.1 Design Approach

The design of the **Prim MST** should be based on the *pseudocode* shown in Lecture 14, as shown below.

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<sup>1</sup>Note that one test case has one million (1,000,000) vertices with 7,580,000 edges.

<sup>2</sup>All edge weight calculations are made based on using a **double** floating point number for all explicit and calculated weights.

<sup>3</sup>This is to allow for output discrepancies that *may* occur due to edge queuing variety. Using a **MinQ** will produce a slight variation in output sequence compared to **MinHeap**.

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MST-PRIM(G,w,r)
1.  for each u ∈ G.V
2.    u.key = ∞
3.    u.pi = NIL
4.  r.key = 0
5.  Q = G.V
6.  while Q ≠ ∅
7.    u = EXTRACT-MIN(Q)
8.    for each v ∈ G.Adj[u]
9.      if v ∈ Q and w(u,v) < v.key
10.        v.pi = u
11.        v.key = w(u,v)

```

Note that there is also a test input file named, `lec14Prim.txt` provided in the test data.

## 3 Submission

via WebCourses

1. The single Java source file, named `Lab01.java`.
2. **IMPORTANT** Make sure that your submission has your name in the comment block as shown below at the very front of the file. **Make sure that your team mate's name is also in that comment block.** The two team members **must** submit identical java files in order to receive full credit. Don't forget to include the *Academic Integrity Statement*, also shown below.

### 3.0.1 Code Requirements

- Header - the following comment block should be at the beginning of the source file.

```

/*=====
|   Assignment:  Lab 01 - Building a Prim's MST for an input graph
|
|       Author:  Your name(s) here
|       Language:  Java
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|   To Compile:  javac Lab01.java
|
|   To Execute:  java Lab01 filename
|                  where filename is in the current directory and contains
|                  a record containing the number of vertices,
|                  a record containing the number of edges,
|                  many records containing the following:
|                      Source edge number (integer)
|                      Destination edge number (integer)
|                      Edge weight (double)
|
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|      Due Date:  per assignment
|
+=====*/
```

- The following *Academic Integrity Statement* should be at the end of the source file.

```
/*=====
|      I [your name] ([your NID]) affirm that this program is
| entirely my own work and that I have neither developed my code together with
| any another person, nor copied any code from any other person, nor permitted
| my code to be copied or otherwise used by any other person, nor have I
| copied, modified, or otherwise used programs created by others. I acknowledge
| that any violation of the above terms will be treated as academic dishonesty.
+=====*/
```

- Note that it is **imperative** that if you are submitting a two persons team assignment, that both individuals' names are included in **both** comment blocks shown above.
- Both the **header** and **Academic Integrity Statement** are included as a simple text file in the ZIP. They are named **header.txt** and **integrityStatement.txt**.

## 4 Testing

There are four input files supplied with the assignment:

1. **lec14Prim.txt** which contains 5 vertices and 6 edges.
2. **in8v16e.txt** which contains 8 vertices with 16 edges.
3. **in250v1273e.txt** which contains 250 vertices with 1273 edges.
4. **in1Mv758Ke.txt** which contains 1,000,000 vertices with 7,580,000 edges.

The test script, **testall.sh** is included in the ZIP file. <sup>4</sup> It compares student outputs to the expected outputs in a correspondingly named **MST** file. It **does not** compare the edges of the **MST**. *Note: Use this as guidance for the total weight of the MST. Some variations in edge output are allowed, as there may be subtleties in the **MinQ** functions which might change output order.*

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<sup>4</sup>To execute the **testall.sh** script enter the following command: **bash testall.sh**.

## 5 Sample output

Sample outputs are included in the assignment ZIP file<sup>5</sup>. They are named to correspond to the input file's name. The sample below is derived from Lecture 14's Prim Example problem. *Remember the output of the **MST** edge data represents the edges in the calculated **MST**.*

```
~/labs/L1/code/tst $ java Lab01 lec14Prim.txt
0-2 0.20000
0-1 0.30000
1-4 0.20000
2-3 0.40000
1.10000
~/labs/L1/code/tst $
```

Note that the output is displayed to **STDOUT** and in the case shown above includes the **STDERR** output. The example below redirects **STDERR** to the **NULL** file. (That is, the **MST** edges output will not be shown.)

```
~/labs/L1/code/tst $ java Lab01 lec14Prim.txt 2>/dev/null
1.10000
~/labs/L1/code/tst $
```

## 6 Grading

Grading will be based on the following rubric:

Table 1: Grading Rubric

Percentage	Description
-100	Cannot compile on <i>Eustis</i>
-100	Cannot read input files as specified in the command line.
-100	Does NOT specify team member name or <i>no explicit statement that this is a solo submission</i> .
- 50	Does not output the vertices and edges for the <b>MST</b> to <b>STDERR</b> .
- 50	Cannot successfully calculate <b>MST</b> for given input file.

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<sup>5</sup>The **MST** edge outputs for the input files are NOT included