

# Project 2: Prim's algorithm implementation using indexed priority queue

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## Prim's Algorithm:

- Input: A non-empty connected weighted graph with vertices  $V$  and edges  $E$  (the weights can be negative).
- Initialize:  $V_{\text{new}} = \{x\}$ , where  $x$  is an arbitrary node (starting point) from  $V$ ,  $E_{\text{new}} = \{\}$
- Repeat until  $V_{\text{new}} = V$ :
  - Choose an edge  $\{u, v\}$  with minimal weight such that  $u$  is in  $V_{\text{new}}$  and  $v$  is not (if there are multiple edges with the same weight, any of them may be picked)
  - Add  $v$  to  $V_{\text{new}}$ , and  $\{u, v\}$  to  $E_{\text{new}}$
- Output:  $V_{\text{new}}$  and  $E_{\text{new}}$  describe a minimal spanning tree

## Implementation

- Indexed Priority queue represents binary Min-heap structure. Every vertex in graph is an element in a priority queue.
- Index value gives the access to the element in the queue in  $O(1)$  time.
- Main functionality includes decrease key, percolate up, percolate down, DeleteMin for priority queue
- Decrease key will be called in prim's algorithm when node key of the vertex is reduced (In this implementation key is weight that is associated with vertex).
- Decrease key restores heap order property after the priority of  $x$  has decreased by calling percolate up function.
- DeleteMin function removes the 1<sup>st</sup> node of the heap (minimum weight node) and then call Percolate down because Heap order may be violated.

## Input

- <http://www.utdallas.edu/~rbk/teach/now/projects/proj2/data-prim.zip>
- <http://www.utdallas.edu/~rbk/teach/now/projects/proj2/bigdata-prim.zip>

## Output

File	Vertices count	Edges count	Weight of MST	Running Time (To calculate MST)
Prim1.txt	50	140	84950	2 ms
Prim2.txt	100	284	110419	2ms
Prim3.txt	200	580	153534	6ms
Prim-ck.txt	100000	299971	3384476	162ms