CMPS 102 — Fall 2018 — Homework 3

"I have read and agree to the collaboration policy." - Kevin Wang

Solution to Problem 2: Space-Efficient MST

Let connected graph G=(V,E), where |V|=n and |E|=m, have a weight function $w:E\to\mathbb{R}$. Vertex s is the source.

Algorithm 1 Finds the MWST using eager implementation of Prim's

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EAGER-PRIMS (G, s):
Initialize array edgeTo[] // Stores the shortest edge from a MST vertex
Initialize array distTo[]// Stores weight of edgeTo[]
Initialize array on Tree [ ] // Stores 'true' if vertex is on MST
Initialize indexable priority queue Q
for i = 1 to n do
  distTo[i] = \infty
end for
distTo[0] = 0.0
Q = (s, 0.0) // Initialize indexable queue with key: source weight: 0.0
while |Q| \neq 0 do
  x = EXTRACT-MIN(Q) // Get closest vertex
  onTree[x] = true
  for each y \in adj[x] do
     if on Tree [y] then
       Continue
     else
       if distTo\{y\} > weight(x-y) then
          edgeTo[y] = x-y
          distTo[y] = weight(x-y)
         DECREASE-KEY(y, distTo[y])
       end if
     end if
  end for
end while
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The algorithm uses arrays and a priority queue indexed and keyed by vertex thus each array is at most size n. Thus the space complexity is $4 \times O(n) = O(n)$.