

Homework Assignment #8
Due: March 16, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.

1. In class, we described how to implement the Prim-Jarník minimum spanning tree algorithm using a priority queue. Suppose we run the algorithm on an input graph with n nodes and m edges. Assume the input graph is represented using adjacency lists and that the nodes are numbered $1..n$. If the priority queue is implemented by a min-heap, we saw that the worst-case running time of the algorithm is $\Theta(m \log n)$. Suppose we instead implement the priority queue as an array $A[1..n]$ where $A[i]$ stores the priority of node i . For each of the following,
 - (a) What is the worst-case running time of a DECREASEPRIORITY operation? State your answer using Θ notation in terms of n and provide a brief justification.
 - (b) What is the worst-case running time of a EXTRACTMAX operation? State your answer using Θ notation in terms of n and provide a brief justification.
 - (c) What is the worst-case running time of the Prim-Jarník algorithm using the array implementation of the priority queue. State your answer using Θ notation in terms of n and m and provide a brief justification.
 - (d) Are there situations where the array implementation of a priority queue is better to use in the Prim-Jarník algorithm than a min-heap?

2. Suppose you have an undirected graph that models a computer network. The n nodes in the graph represent computers and the edges connect pairs of computers that share a communication channel. Each edge (u, v) has an associated probability of failure $p(u, v)$. Whenever a message is sent across the edge (u, v) , $p(u, v)$ is the probability that it is *not* received by the receiver. We wish to broadcast a message from one node to all other nodes by sending the message (once) across each of $n - 1$ edges. Describe an algorithm that finds the set of $n - 1$ edges to use for this broadcast that maximizes the probability that the message reaches all n computers in the network. You do not have to provide a formal proof of correctness, but you should give a brief justification of why your algorithm finds the optimal solution.