



Searching for the Fastest Route to Tourist Attractions with the Kruskal Algorithm in the C++ Programming Language

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ABSTRACT

In the tourism industry, finding the fastest way to various attractions is important. In this research, efficient and accurate algorithms facilitate the travel planning process. One algorithm that has proven effective in solving this problem is Kruskal's algorithm. This research aims to implement Kruskal's algorithm in C++ programming language to find the fastest route between tourist destinations. This research uses the C++ programming language to implement the Kruskal algorithm. Information about tourist attractions and distances between tourist destinations are presented in a graph. Kruskal's algorithm is used to find the shortest path using the concept of MST (minimum spanning tree). This research results in a C++ program that can use Kruskal's algorithm to find the fastest route between tourist destinations based on the shortest distance. The program leads to some tourist destinations that must be visited for the fastest route. Using Kruskal's algorithm, the program finds the fastest route between tourist destinations, considering the shortest distance. Thus, this research provides an efficient and accurate solution to the problem of determining the fastest route in the tourism industry. The resulting program can be a useful guide for tourists when planning their trips and optimizing the time and effort to visit various tourist attractions.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Tourism is a sector that continues to grow in the global industry, with the emergence of various tourist destinations that attract the attention of tourists from various corners of the world. When traveling, one of the important things for tourists is finding the fastest route to visit various tourist attractions.

Kruskal's algorithm is one of the algorithms used in graph theory to find a weighted graph's minimum spanning tree (MST) [1]. This algorithm is especially useful in finding the fastest route between tourist attractions connected via certain routes. Regarding this, the research aims to implement the Kruskal algorithm in the C++ programming language to find the fastest route between tourist attractions. Using the Kruskal algorithm, it is hoped that the best routes connecting these tourist attractions can be found with minimum travel time. The C++ programming language was chosen as the main language to implement this algorithm because C++ is a programming language commonly used in software development and performs well. Implementing the Kruskal algorithm in the C++ programming language also provides code development and maintenance flexibility.

This research is hoped to provide a better understanding of implementing the Kruskal algorithm and its application in finding the fastest route. Apart from that, this research will also include experiments and evaluation results of the performance of the Kruskal algorithm in finding the fastest routes to tourist attractions. Thus, this research has an important objective of increasing efficiency in tourist travel through the use of the Kruskal algorithm in the C++ programming language.

2. METHODS

2.1. Extreme Programming (XP)

This research uses the Extreme Programming (XP) method as a reference. XP is an agile software development method emphasizing coding activities as the main activity at each stage of the development cycle [2] [3]. Figure 1 displays the stages contained in XP.

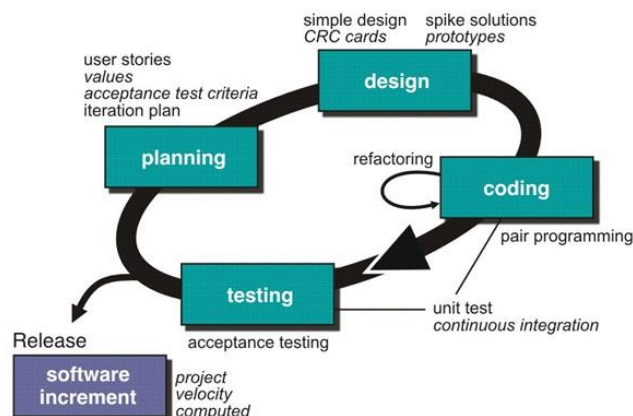


Figure 1. Stages in Extreme Programming (XP)

From Figure 1 above, the stages in the software development method with XP are as follows:

1. **Planning:** The initial step to start research is to define the requirements needed, the results that will be produced, the services that will be developed in the application, and the features and functionality of the application that will be built [1].
2. **Design:** This step is part of planning an application that suits its use needs [1].

3. Coding: Steps in preparing code for software that will be applied in application development so that it can be a solution to existing problems [1].
4. Testing: Testing services or application features and functionality built as the final stage of the testing process. At this stage, conclusions can be drawn from the tests' results [1].

2.2. XP Steps

1. Planning:

Planning involves planning the features needed to find the shortest route. The features needed are 1) Determining the distance between locations and determining the type of graph, 2) Representing location neighbors using a graph, 3) Running the minimum spanning tree algorithm, and 4) Displaying MST results.

2. Design:

Design in XP is done by drawing an undirected and weighted graph, then determining its representation using an adjacency matrix, and finally designing the Kruskal algorithm as a problem-solving algorithm.

3. Coding

The programming language used for coding is C++ by implementing the Kruskal Algorithm.

a. Graph

A graph is a discrete structure consisting of vertices and edges (vertices and edges) that connect the vertices in the graph. Many types of graphs depend on whether the graph has directed and/or weighted edges.

b. Adjacency Matrix

The adjacency matrix is one way to represent edges in a graph to express the connection between vertices in the graph. Adjacency matrix representation becomes more effective if there are a large number of edges in a graph compared to an adjacency list. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph where $|V| = n$. So, the order of the adjacency matrix AG is $n \times n$ with a value of 1 for the (i, j) th vertex, which is neighboring and 0 for the (i, j) th vertex, which is not neighboring for an undirected and unweighted graph. Still, if the graph is weighted, then a weight value will be given to the (i, j) neighboring nodes.

c. Kruskal's Algorithm

The Kruskal algorithm is a Greedy algorithm for finding the Minimum Spanning Tree (MST) in graphs, especially undirected and weighted graphs. The following is the pseudocode of Kruskal's algorithm [5].

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ALGORITHM 2 Kruskal's Algorithm.

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procedure Kruskal( $G$ : weighted connected undirected graph with  $n$  vertices)
 $T :=$  empty graph
for  $i := 1$  to  $n - 1$ 
   $e :=$  any edge in  $G$  with smallest weight that does not form a simple circuit
  when added to  $T$ 
   $T := T$  with  $e$  added
return  $T$  { $T$  is a minimum spanning tree of  $G$ }
```

Figure 2. Kruskal's Algorithmn

d. Testing

After all the code is integrated, unit testing will be carried out on each program functionality to ensure the program runs well [6].

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The Kruskal algorithm was implemented to find the shortest route to a location using the C++ programming language, and MST results were found.

A. Device Information

The program was built with the help of the Visual Studio Code IDE (Integrated Development Environment) application and the g++ compiler version 9.2.0 on a laptop with the following specifications.

- Windows 11, 64-bit.
- AMD Ryzen 7 5700U with Radeon Graphics @ 1.80 GHz
- 8 GB DDR4 RAM.
- 512 GB SSD.

B. Application of the Kruskal Algorithm

The Kruskal algorithm is generally applied to undirected and weighted graphs. In this case study, 40 locations are depicted vertically, and edges depict paths connecting between locations with weights stating the distance between locations in meters. Tourist locations are expressed in node form starting from the 0th index.

Table 1. Tourist attractions nodes

Node	Location of Tourist Attractions
0.	UPI Kampus Cibiru
1.	Nimo Highland
2.	Kawah Papandayan
3.	Darajat Pass
4.	Pantai Pangandaran
5.	Kebun Binatang Bandung
6.	Museum Sribaduga
7.	Kiara Artha Park
8.	Taman Langit
9.	Situ Patengan
10.	Museum Gedung Sate
11.	Grey Art Gallery
12.	Kawah Putih
13.	Kebun Raya Cibodas
14.	Orchid Forest Cikol
15.	Floating Market Lembang
16.	Dago Dreampark
17.	Kampung Gajah Wonderland
18.	Taman Bunga Begonia
19.	De Ranch Lembang
20.	Curug Tilu Leuwi Opat
21.	Taman Wisata Maribaya
22.	Trans Studio Bandung
23.	Taman Hutan Raya Juanda

24.	Gunung Tangkuban Perahu
25.	Taman Wisata Alam Ciwidey
26.	Curug Dago
27.	Trans Studio Mini Bandung
28.	Kampung Daun Culture Gallery
29.	Jendela Alam
30.	Farmhouse Susu Lembang
31.	Kampung Gajah Wonderland
32.	Curug Cimahi
33.	Taman Superhero
34.	De Ranch Lembang
35.	Museum Geologi Bandung
36.	Kampung Cai Ranca Upas
37.	Amazing Art World
38.	Taman Wisata Grafika Cikole
39.	Kampung Wisata Situ Cileunca

In order to be computable, graphs need to be converted into graph representations that can be processed easily. Because the graph in this case study has many sides, the graph representation that is suitable to use is the adjacency matrix. Below is the neighborhood matrix.

Tabel 2. Adjacency Matrix

V	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	10894	25393	16573	1900	3421	29009	25389	22718	20558
1	10894	0	4548	6097	33591	15310	28157	6075	4753	24646
2	25393	4548	0	17512	19762	7617	21472	11712	17139	28982
3	16573	6097	17512	0	2655	23813	24622	3600	13423	1481
4	1900	33591	19762	2655	0	10514	19538	3510	17279	5144
5	3421	15310	7617	23813	10514	0	13292	22003	26996	24196
6	29009	28157	21472	24622	19538	13292	0	27869	17687	21222
7	25389	6075	11712	3600	3510	22003	27869	0	13529	8129
8	22718	4753	17139	13423	17279	26996	17687	13529	0	3161
9	20558	24646	28982	1481	5144	24196	21222	8129	3161	0

	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10	0	31833	8164	21851	2626	23848	28611	13181	22221	16944
11	31833	0	6109	19662	10357	5675	31877	29503	23663	3865
12	8164	6109	0	14829	9526	13938	21424	4829	6706	19540
13	21851	19662	14829	0	14357	3223	33678	24775	3363	24245
14	2626	10357	9526	14357	0	23142	2752	21608	10010	26508
15	23848	5675	13938	3223	23142	0	19443	30292	23171	29318
16	28611	31877	21424	33678	2752	19443	0	6997	28489	28870
17	13181	29503	4829	24775	21608	30292	6997	0	19240	10601
18	22221	23663	6706	3363	10010	23171	28489	19240	0	29323
19	16944	3865	19540	24245	26508	29318	28870	10601	29323	0

	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29

20	0	7705	27303	10781	9380	5693	32907	27633	30560	17336
21	7705	0	15256	27504	30815	5686	25307	13158	16147	19337
22	27303	15256	0	13392	26951	31080	24481	13022	26162	2278
23	10781	27504	13392	0	7541	11116	2012	2146	2655	13393
24	9380	30815	26951	7541	0	13249	22136	19392	21675	8636
25	5693	5686	31080	11116	13249	0	27630	14037	1792	31714
26	32907	25307	24481	2012	22136	27630	0	4925	23361	29164
27	27633	13158	13022	2146	19392	14037	4925	0	32754	32591
28	30560	16147	26162	2655	21675	1792	23361	32754	0	20949
29	17336	19337	2278	13393	8636	31714	29164	32591	20949	0

	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
30	0	1754	23018	3111	6651	30492	26697	7582	21136	12243
31	1754	0	15776	24650	3258	13433	31877	29503	23663	3865
32	23018	15776	0	29149	8213	24840	18780	12159	10198	8514
33	3111	24650	29149	0	10860	7766	23578	21418	28032	11168
34	6651	3258	8213	10860	0	2735	13931	27489	15387	6055
35	30492	13433	24840	7766	2735	0	33544	1159	33584	12191
36	26697	5919	18780	23578	13931	33544	0	4449	8240	6973
37	7582	29503	12159	21418	27489	1159	4449	0	4517	9922
38	21136	23663	10198	28032	15387	33584	8240	4517	0	7748
39	12243	3865	8514	11168	6055	12191	6973	9922	7748	0

After the graph is represented in a matrix as in Table 2, the Kruskal algorithm is run with the steps starting from sorting the edges from smallest to largest (ascending), then starting from the edges with the smallest weight that do not form a cycle/circuit are put into MST.

C. Source Code

The program code begins by creating Side and Graph structs. The graph representation uses an adjacency matrix with a two-dimensional vector array. Then, the graph will be initialized with 40 vertices or nodes representing the number of locations. After that, the sides will be added randomly as dummy data, then the MST will be searched using the Kruskal algorithm and the results will be displayed.

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#include <iostream>  
#include <algorithm>  
#include <vector>  
#include <queue>  
using namespace std;  
  
struct Sisi  
{  
    int asal, tujuan, bobot;  
};  
  
struct Graf  
{  
    int V, E;  
    vector < vector < int > > matriksKetetanggaan;  
};  
  
Graf buatGraf(int simpul)  
{  
    Graf graf;  
  
    graf.V = simpul;  
    graf.E = 0;  
  
    graf.matriksKetetanggaan.resize(simpul, vector < int > (simpul,  
0));  
    return graf;  
}  
  
void tambahSisi(Graf &graf, int asal, int tujuan, int bobot)  
{  
    if (asal == tujuan)  
    {  
        return;  
    }  
  
    graf.matriksKetetanggaan[asal][tujuan] = bobot;  
    graf.matriksKetetanggaan[tujuan][asal] = bobot;  
    graf.E++;  
}
```

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// KRUSKAL MULAI
bool bandingSisi(const Sisi &s1, const Sisi &s2)
{
    return s1.bobot < s2.bobot;
}

queue < Sisi > kruskalMST(const Graf &graf)
{
    // Membaca semua sisi dari matriks ketetanggaan
    vector < Sisi > edges;

    for (int i = 0; i < graf.V; i++)
    {
        for (int j = i; j < graf.V; j++)
        {
            if (graf.matriksKetetanggaan[i][j] != 0)
            {
                edges.push_back({i, j, graf.matriksKetetanggaan[i][j]});
            }
        }
    }

    // Mengurutkan sisi-sisi berdasarkan bobotnya
    sort(edges.begin(), edges.end(), bandingSisi);

    // Minimum Spanning Tree
    queue < Sisi > mst;
    vector < int > parent(graf.V, -1);

    // Menjalankan algoritma Kruskal
    for (const auto &sisi : edges)
    {
        // Mencari akar dari set yang berisi asal dan tujuan
        int rootAsal = sisi.asal;
        while (parent[rootAsal] != -1)
        {
            rootAsal = parent[rootAsal];
        }

        int rootTujuan = sisi.tujuan;
        while (parent[rootTujuan] != -1)
        {
            rootTujuan = parent[rootTujuan];
        }

        if (rootAsal != rootTujuan)
        {
            mst.push(sisi);
            parent[rootTujuan] = rootAsal; // Menggabungkan dua himpunan
        }
    }

    return mst;
}
// KRUSKAL SELESAI

```

Figure 5. main() Function

Based on Figure 3, the graph is initialized in the createGraf() function to create an instance of a graph object with the number of vertices as a parameter, and there is also an addEdge() function to add edges to the graph. Then, the Kruskal Algorithm in Figure 4 is implemented with the kruskalMST() function, which returns a queue to store MST edges. Then, in the main() function in Figure 5, all sides are filled with dummy data or distances between artificial locations, and the implementation results are displayed.

D. Output

The resulting output is as follows.

Matriks Ketetangaan										
	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	10894	25393	16573	1900	3421	29009	25389	22718	20558
1	10894	0	4548	6097	33591	15310	28157	6075	4753	24646
2	25393	4548	0	17512	19762	7617	21472	11712	17139	28982
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6	29009	28157	21472	24622	19538	13292	0	27869	17687	21222
7	25389	6075	11712	3600	3510	22003	27869	0	13529	8129
8	22718	4753	17139	13423	17279	26996	17687	13529	0	3161
9	20558	24646	28982	1481	5144	24196	21222	8129	3161	0

	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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19	16944	3865	19540	24245	26508	29318	28870	10601	29323	0

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28	30560	16147	26162	2655	21675	1792	23361	32754	0	20949
29	17336	19337	2278	13393	8636	31714	29164	32591	20949	0

	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
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38	21136	5680	10198	28032	15387	33584	8240	4517	0	7748
39	12243	30929	8514	11168	6055	12191	6973	9922	7748	0

Figure 6. Output matriks ketetangaan

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Langkah	Sisi	Bobot
1	Nimo Highland ==> Taman Wisata Alam Ciwidey	1028
2	Kawah Papandayan ==> Gunung Tangkuban Perahu	1058
3	Taman Hutan Raya Juanda ==> Amazing Art World	1073
4	Museum Geologi Bandung ==> Amazing Art World	1159
5	Taman Bunga Begonia ==> Kampung Cai Ranca Upas	1189
6	Kampung Gajah Wonderland ==> Kampung Daun Culture Gallery	1229
7	Situ Patengan ==> Grey Art Gallery	1235
8	Nimo Highland ==> Kampung Wisata Situ Cileunca	1241
9	Darajat Pass ==> Dago Dreampark	1300
10	Kebun Raya Cibodas ==> Jendela Alam	1330
11	Kebun Binatang Bandung ==> Kampung Gajah Wonderland	1335
12	Taman Bunga Begonia ==> Kampung Gajah Wonderland	1474
13	UPI Kampus Cibiru ==> Jendela Alam	1475
14	Darajat Pass ==> Situ Patengan	1481
15	Situ Patengan ==> Taman Bunga Begonia	1503
16	Nimo Highland ==> Kampung Daun Culture Gallery	1540
17	Museum Sribaduga ==> Curug Tilu Leuwi Opat	1608
18	Dago Dreampark ==> Kampung Daun Culture Gallery	1658
19	Kebun Raya Cibodas ==> Curug Tilu Leuwi Opat	1690
20	Grey Art Gallery ==> De Ranch Lembang	1702
21	Taman Bunga Begonia ==> Curug Tilu Leuwi Opat	1748
22	Farmhouse Susu Lembang ==> Kampung Gajah Wonderland	1754
23	UPI Kampus Cibiru ==> Pantai Pangandaran	1900
24	Kiara Artha Park ==> Floating Market Lembang	1911
25	Orchid Forest Cikole ==> Farmhouse Susu Lembang	1943
26	Situ Patengan ==> Curug Cimahi	1958
27	Taman Hutan Raya Juanda ==> Curug Dago	2012
28	Taman Langit ==> Trans Studio Mini Bandung	2052
29	Taman Langit ==> Taman Wisata Alam Ciwidey	2071
30	Taman Hutan Raya Juanda ==> Trans Studio Mini Bandung	2146
31	Trans Studio Bandung ==> Jendela Alam	2278
32	Gunung Tangkuban Perahu ==> Museum Geologi Bandung	2386
33	Kiara Artha Park ==> Amazing Art World	2560
34	Museum Gedung Sate ==> Orchid Forest Cikole	2626
35	Kebun Binatang Bandung ==> De Ranch Lembang	2769
36	Nimo Highland ==> Kawah Putih	2926
37	Farmhouse Susu Lembang ==> Taman Superhero	3111
38	Taman Wisata Maribaya ==> De Ranch Lembang	3327
39	Jendela Alam ==> Taman Wisata Grafika Cikole	3599

Minimum Spanning Tree Cost: 72385

Figure 7. MST Output

Figure 6 displays the adjacency matrix where the rows represent the origin node, and the columns represent the destination node. Then, in Figure 7, the MST results show 72,385 meters for the total cost of travel connecting all tourist locations.

Table 3. Kruskal Algorithm Steps

LANGKAH	EDGE		BOBOT
	I	J	
0			
1	1	25	1028
2	2	24	1058
3	23	37	1073
4	35	37	1159
5	18	36	1189
6	17	28	1229
7	9	11	1235
8	1	39	1241
9	3	16	1300
10	13	29	1330
11	5	17	1335
26	9	32	1958
27	23	26	2012
12			1474
13			1475
14			1058
15			1481
16			1540
17			1608
18			1658
19			1690
20			1702
21			1748
22			1754
23			1900
24			1911
25			1943
33			2560
34			2626

28	8	27	2052
29	8	25	2071
30	23	27	2146
31	22	29	2278
32	24	35	2386

35	5	19	2769
36	1	12	2926
37	30	33	3111
38	21	34	3327
39	29	38	3599

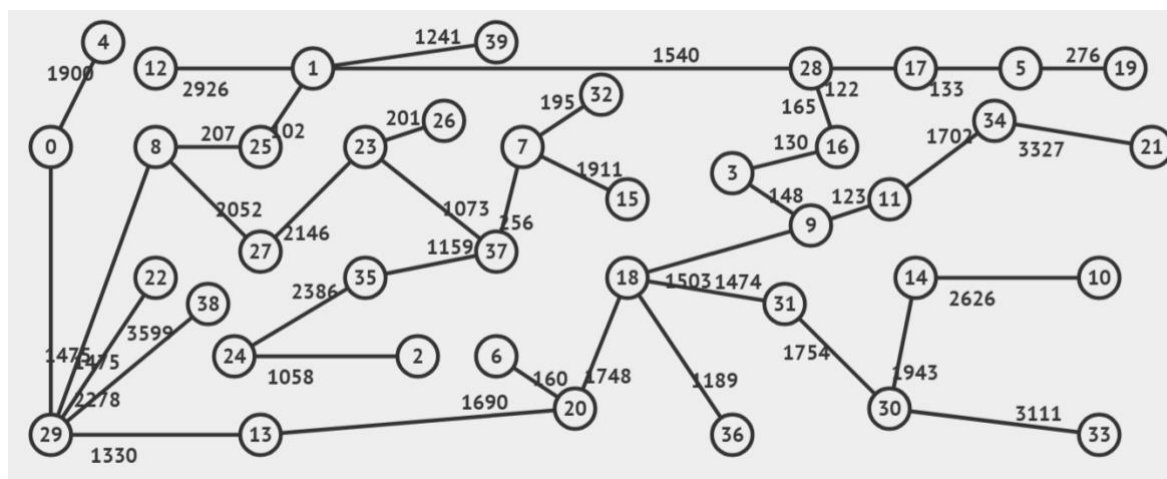


Figure 8. MST Graph

4. CONCLUSION

This research aims to find the fastest route between certain tourist attractions using the Kruskal algorithm in the C++ programming language. Kruskal's algorithm is one of the fastest route-finding algorithms popular in graph processing. This method focuses on finding the shortest path that involves the minimum path from one tourist spot to another. Dummy data is used in this study to simulate tourist attractions and the distance between them. The Kruskal algorithm is then applied to the dummy data to find the fastest route. In the C++ programming language, the Kruskal algorithm is implemented using data structures such as graphs or matrices. Using C++ provides flexibility and efficiency in data processing and algorithm use. This research is important to help tourists or travelers efficiently plan their trips. By finding the fastest routes between tourist attractions, the time and effort required to travel can be reduced.

However, remember that these conclusions are based on the use of dummy data and do not include actual results from actual research. Further research and testing with real data is needed to confirm the effectiveness of Kruskal's algorithm in finding the fastest route between tourist attractions.

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