



CSE332: Data Structures & Algorithms Lecture 14: Introduction to Graphs

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Announcements

- Reminder: HW4 partner selection due on Wednesday
- Extra office hours Tuesday, 4:30-5:30 in Bagley 154
- TA session Thursday, 4:30-5:30 in Bagley 154
 - Union-find and homework 4

Graphs

- A graph is a formalism for representing relationships among items
 Very general definition because very general concept
- A graph is a pair

G = (V, E)

A set of vertices, also known as nodes

$$\mathbf{V} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$$

- A set of edges
 - $E = \{e_1, e_2, ..., e_m\}$
 - Each edge e_i is a pair of vertices
 (v_j, v_k)
 - An edge "connects" the vertices
- Graphs can be directed or undirected

Han Luke

V = {<mark>Han</mark>,Leia,Luke}

$$E = \{ (Luke, Leia), \}$$

(Han,Leia),

(Leia, Han) }

Undirected Graphs

- In undirected graphs, edges have no specific direction
 - Edges are always "two-way"



- Thus, $(u,v) \in E$ implies $(v,u) \in E$
 - Only one of these edges needs to be in the set
 - The other is implicit, so normalize how you check for it
- Degree of a vertex: number of edges containing that vertex
 - Put another way: the number of adjacent vertices

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Directed Graphs

In directed graphs (sometimes called digraphs), edges have a direction

or





- Thus, $(u, v) \in E$ does not imply $(v, u) \in E$.
 - Let $(u, v) \in E$ mean $u \rightarrow v$
 - Call **u** the source and **v** the destination
- In-degree of a vertex: number of in-bound edges, i.e., edges where the vertex is the destination
- Out-degree of a vertex: number of out-bound edges i.e., edges where the vertex is the source

Self-Edges, Connectedness

- A self-edge a.k.a. a loop is an edge of the form (u,u)
 - Depending on the use/algorithm, a graph may have:
 - No self edges
 - Some self edges
 - All self edges (often therefore implicit, but we will be explicit)
- A node can have a degree / in-degree / out-degree of zero
- A graph does not have to be connected
 - Even if every node has non-zero degree

For a graph G = (V, E)

- $|\mathbf{v}|$ is the number of vertices
- **|E|** is the number of edges
 - Minimum?
 - Maximum for undirected?
 - Maximum for directed?



 $V = \{A, B, C, D\}$ $E = \{(C, B), (A, B), (B, A), (B, A), (C, D)\}$

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- Maximum for directed? $|\mathbf{v}|^2 \in O(|\mathbf{v}|^2)$ (assuming self-edges allowed, else subtract $|\mathbf{v}|$)
- If $(u,v) \in E$
 - Then \mathbf{v} is a neighbor of \mathbf{u} , i.e., \mathbf{v} is adjacent to \mathbf{u}
 - Order matters for directed edges
 - u is not adjacent to v unless (v,u) $\in E$

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Examples again

Which would use directed edges? Which would have self-edges? Which would be connected? Which could have 0-degree nodes?

- 1. Web pages with links
- 2. Facebook friends
- 3. "Input data" for the Kevin Bacon game
- 4. Methods in a program that call each other
- 5. Road maps (e.g., Google maps)
- 6. Airline routes
- 7. Family trees
- 8. Course pre-requisites

Weighted Graphs

- In a weighed graph, each edge has a weight a.k.a. cost
 - Typically numeric (most examples use ints)
 - Orthogonal to whether graph is directed
 - Some graphs allow negative weights; many do not



Examples

What, if anything, might weights represent for each of these? Do negative weights make sense?

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Paths and Cycles

- A path is a list of vertices [v₀, v₁,..., v_n] such that (v_i, v_{i+1})∈
 E for all 0 ≤ i < n. Say "a path from v₀ to v_n"
- A cycle is a path that begins and ends at the same node $(\mathbf{v}_0 = = \mathbf{v}_n)$



Example: [Seattle, Salt Lake City, Chicago, Dallas, San Francisco, Seattle]

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Path Length and Cost

- Path length: Number of edges in a path
- Path cost: Sum of *weights* of edges in a path

Example where P= [Seattle, Salt Lake City, Chicago, Dallas, San Francisco, Seattle]



Simple Paths and Cycles

- A simple path repeats no vertices, except the first might be the last [Seattle, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Dallas] [Seattle, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Dallas, Seattle]
- Recall, a cycle is a path that ends where it begins [Seattle, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Dallas, Seattle]
 [Seattle, Salt Lake City, Seattle, Dallas, Seattle]
- A simple cycle is a cycle and a simple path [Seattle, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Dallas, Seattle]

Paths and Cycles in Directed Graphs

Example:



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Undirected-Graph Connectivity

• An undirected graph is connected if for all pairs of vertices **u**, **v**, there exists a *path* from **u** to **v**



• An undirected graph is complete, a.k.a. fully connected if for all pairs of vertices **u**, **v**, there exists an *edge* from **u** to **v**

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plus self edges

Directed-Graph Connectivity

• A directed graph is strongly connected if there is a path from every vertex to every other vertex



• A directed graph is weakly connected if there is a path from every vertex to every other vertex *ignoring direction of edges*



• A complete a.k.a. fully connected directed graph has an edge from every vertex to every other vertex



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Examples

For undirected graphs: connected?

For directed graphs: strongly connected? weakly connected?

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Trees as Graphs

When talking about graphs, we say a tree is a graph that is:

- Undirected
- Acyclic
- Connected

So all trees are graphs, but not all graphs are trees

How does this relate to the trees we know and love?...



Rooted Trees

- We are more accustomed to rooted trees where:
 - We identify a unique root
 - We think of edges as directed: parent to children
- Given a tree, picking a root gives a unique rooted tree
 - The tree is just drawn differently and with undirected edges



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Directed Acyclic Graphs (DAGs)

- A DAG is a directed graph with no (directed) cycles
 - Every rooted directed tree is a DAG
 - But not every DAG is a rooted directed tree



- Every DAG is a directed graph
- But not every directed graph is a DAG



Examples

Which of our directed-graph examples do you expect to be a DAG?

- Web pages with links
- "Input data" for the Kevin Bacon game
- Methods in a program that call each other
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Density / Sparsity

- Recall: In an undirected graph, $0 \le |E| \le |V|^2$
- Recall: In a directed graph: $0 \le |E| \le |V|^2$
- So for any graph, $O(|E|+|V|^2)$ is $O(|V|^2)$
- Another fact: If an undirected graph is *connected*, then $|V|-1 \le |E|$
- Because |E| is often much smaller than its maximum size, we do not always approximate |E| as $O(|V|^2)$
 - This is a correct bound, it just is often not tight
 - If it is tight, i.e., |E| is $\Theta(|V|^2)$ we say the graph is dense
 - More sloppily, dense means "lots of edges"
 - If |E| is O(|V|) we say the graph is sparse
 - More sloppily, sparse means "most possible edges missing"

What is the Data Structure?

- So graphs are really useful for lots of data and questions
 For example, "what's the lowest-cost path from x to y"
- But we need a data structure that represents graphs
- The "best one" can depend on:
 - Properties of the graph (e.g., dense versus sparse)
 - The common queries (e.g., "is (u,v) an edge?" versus
 "what are the neighbors of node u?")
- So we'll discuss the two standard graph representations
 - Adjacency Matrix and Adjacency List
 - Different trade-offs, particularly time versus space

Adjacency Matrix

- Assign each node a number from 0 to |V|-1
- A |V| x |V| matrix (i.e., 2-D array) of Booleans (or 1 vs. 0)
 - If M is the matrix, then M[u] [v] being true means there is an edge from u to v



- Running time to:
 - Get a vertex's out-edges:
 - Get a vertex's in-edges:
 - Decide if some edge exists:
 - Insert an edge:
 - Delete an edge:
- Space requirements:
- Best for sparse or dense graphs?



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- How can we adapt the representation for *weighted graphs*?
 - Instead of a Boolean, store a number in each cell
 - Need some value to represent 'not an edge'
 - In some situations, 0 or -1 works



Adjacency List

- Assign each node a number from 0 to |V|-1
- An array of length |v| in which each entry stores a list of all adjacent vertices (e.g., linked list)



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- Best for sparse graphs, so usually just stick with linked lists



Undirected Graphs

Adjacency matrices & adjacency lists both do fine for undirected graphs

- Matrix: Can save roughly 2x space
 - But may slow down operations in languages with "proper" 2D arrays (not Java, which has only arrays of arrays)
 - How would you "get all neighbors"?
- Lists: Each edge in two lists to support efficient "get all neighbors"



Next...

Okay, we can represent graphs

Now let's implement some useful and non-trivial algorithms

- Topological sort: Given a DAG, order all the vertices so that every vertex comes before all of its neighbors
- Shortest paths: Find the shortest or lowest-cost path from x to y
 Related: Determine if there even is such a path



Disclaimer: Do not use for official advising purposes !

Problem: Given a DAG G= (V, E), output all vertices in an order such that no vertex appears before another vertex that has an edge to it



One example output:

126, 142, 143, 374, 373, 417, 410, 413, XYZ, 415

Questions and comments

- Why do we perform topological sorts only on DAGs?
 - Because a cycle means there is no correct answer
- Is there always a unique answer?
 - No, there can be 1 or more answers; depends on the graph
 - Graph with 5 topological orders:
- Do some DAGs have exactly 1 answer?
 - Yes, including all lists



• Terminology: A DAG represents a partial order and a topological sort produces a total order that is consistent with it

Uses

- Figuring out how to graduate
- Computing an order in which to recompute cells in a spreadsheet
- Determining an order to compile files using a Makefile
- In general, taking a dependency graph and finding an order of execution

A First Algorithm for Topological Sort

- 1. Label ("mark") each vertex with its in-degree
 - Think "write in a field in the vertex"
 - Could also do this via a data structure (e.g., array) on the side
- 2. While there are vertices not yet output:
 - a) Choose a vertex **v** with labeled with in-degree of 0
 - b) Output **v** and *conceptually* remove it from the graph
 - c) For each vertex u adjacent to v (i.e. u such that (v,u) in E), decrement the in-degree of u