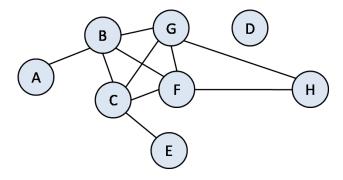
Recitation 13: Computing on the Edge

Thursday April 13th

Graphs, vertices, and edges

A graph G is a set of vertices V and a set of edges E, where each edge is a pair of vertices.



For example, the graph above would be described by giving the vertex set and the edge set as in

$$\begin{array}{lcl} V & = & \{A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H\} \\ E & = & \{(A,B),(B,C),(B,F),(B,G),(C,E),(C,F),(C,G),(F,G),(F,H),(G,H)\} \end{array}$$

(For brevity, only edges in one direction are listed. This is okay because the graph above is *undirected*.)

The *subgraph* consisting of only vertices B, C, F, and G is called a *complete graph* because an edge exists between every two of those vertices.

Checkpoint 0

Let T(n) be the number of edges in a complete graph with n vertices. Write a recursive formula for T(n). You will need to write two expressions — one for the base case and one for the recursive case.

Checkpoint 1

Recall from lecture that we discussed two ways of representing graphs: adjacency matrices and adjacency lists. Draw the adjacency matrix and the adjacency list for the graph above.

Checkpoint 2

Fill in the following table with the worst-case bounds for both the adjacency matrix and adjacency list representations. Express your answers in terms of the number v of vertices and e of edges in a graph.

	Adjacency Matrix	Adjacency List
Space	O()	O()
graph_hasedge	O()	O()
graph_addedge	O()	O()
graph_get_neighbors	O()	O()

Checkpoint 3

We call a graph *sparse* if it has relatively few edges and *dense* if it has relatively many edges. Which representation might you want to use for a sparse graph? What about for a dense graph? Why?

Graph search

We've discussed two algorithms for traversing a graph: depth-first search (DFS) and breadth-first search (BFS). DFS always visits the first neighbor of a vertex before visiting the rest of the neighbors, whereas BFS visits all neighbors of a vertex before continuing the search in a neighbor's neighbor.

Checkpoint 4

Assume you wish to search the above graph for vertex H starting at vertex A. List the vertices of the graph in the order visited by DFS and BFS. Assume that the algorithms consider neighbors in alphabetical order.

Now list the vertices in order of distance from A. Do you notice anything?

Checkpoint 5

In class we studied a recursive implementation of DFS. Finish the following iterative implementation of DFS. Note that the structure of this function is different from what we saw for BFS.

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1 bool dfs(graph_t G, vertex start, vertex target) {
   REQUIRES(G != NULL);
   REQUIRES(start < graph_size(G) && target < graph_size(G));</pre>
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   if (start == target) return true;
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6
   bool mark[graph_size(G)]; // what kind of array is this?
7
   for (unsigned int i = 0; i < graph_size(G); i++)</pre>
8
    mark[i] = false;
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         _____; // initialize data structure
11
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                      ; // put start into our data structure
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   while ( ) { // until our data structure is empty
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                         ; // retrieve a vertex from our data structure
    vertex v =
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      mark[v] = true;
                        // mark it
19
      if (v == target) {
                        // if v is the target return true
20
       printf(" Found!!!\n");
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                                        ; // free our data structure
       return true;
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      neighbors_t nbors = graph_get_neighbors(G, v);
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      while ( ) { // while there are unvisited neighbors
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       vertex w = ; // grab the next neighbor
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                        ; // add it to our data structure
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      }
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                              ; // free neighbors
34
    }
35
   }
36
                               _____; // free our data structure
37
   return false;
39 }
```

Checkpoint 6

What is the time complexity of this function? $O(\underline{\hspace{1cm}})$.