# CS320: Assignment 3

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# Problem 1

My solution finds the transitive closure of any graph represented by an adjacency matrix. I iterate through each node u, find what nodes are reachable from u using depth first search, then use that information to build a transitive closure.

This is the Python code:

```
import numpy
# Graphs represented by numpy multidimensional arrays, ie:
a = numpy.zeros([6,6])
# Set the edges
# [from][to]
a[0][1] = 1
a[0][3] = 1
a[0][4] = 1
a[1][2] = 1
a[3][5] = 1
a[4][0] = 1
a[5][4] = 1
def transitiveClosure(array):
        finalClosureArray = array
        # Iterate through each node in the graph
        for node in range(array.shape[1]):
                reachable = DFS(node, array)
                # Add all reachable nodes to n's edges
                for reachedNode in reachable:
                        finalClosureArray[node] [reachedNode] = 1
        return finalClosureArray
def DFS(node, array):
        final = []
        # Stack of nodes to visit
        visitStack = [node]
        # List representing explored state of each node
        explored = [0] * array.shape[1]
        while len(visitStack) != 0:
                boundaryNode = visitStack.pop()
                # If boundaryNode hasnt been explored
                if explored[boundaryNode] == 0:
                        explored[boundaryNode] = 1
```

The running time of this code is O(|N| \* (|E| + |N|)). I've come to this via the following argument. The outer loop of the transitiveClosure function will run |N| times. Within that loop we call DFS, which is O(|E|) since at worst it will run through each edge in the graph. In the same loop we then update the adjacency graph, which happens in O(|N|) time because at worst it must update |N| - 1 entries in the

adjacency graph, which happens in O(|N|) time because at worst it must update |N|-1 entries in the matrix. Thus the inside of our loop runs in O(|E|+|N|) time, and the outer loop runs O(|N|) times. This gives us a final bound of O(|N|\*(|E|+|N|)).

#### Problem 2

Since each node has a degree of at least 2, there are no leaf nodes (a leaf node is by definition a node of degree 1). This means that it will be possible to find a cycle without the need to backtrack (we can not hit a dead end). By using a depth-first search and checking for twice explored nodes, we can find a cycle in O(|V|) time. The running time is O(|V|) because every time we travel down an edge we "remove" a node from our remaining search pool of nodes.

Here is the algorithm:

```
import numpy
# Graphs represented by numpy multidimensional arrays, ie:
a = numpy.zeros([9,9])
# Set the edges
# [from][to]
a[0][1] = 1
a[0][2] = 1
a[1][0] = 1
a[1][2] = 1
a[2][0] = 1
a[2][1] = 1
def findCycle(array):
        exploredNodes = []
        # Starter node
        visitStack = [0]
        # Initialize exploredState to be a list representing the explored state of each node
        exploredState = [0] * array.shape[1]
        while len(visitStack) != 0:
                # Take a node boundaryNode from visitStack
                boundaryNode = visitStack.pop()
```

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# If explored[boundaryNode] = false then
                if exploredState[boundaryNode] == 0:
                        # Set explored[boundaryNode] true
                        exploredState[boundaryNode] = 1
                        exploredNodes.append(boundaryNode)
                        # For each edge (u,v) incitent to boundaryNode
                        for v in range(array.shape[1]):
                                if array[boundaryNode][v] == 1:
                                         # Add v to the stack visitStack
                                        visitStack.append(v)
                elif exploredState[boundaryNode] == 1 and boundaryNode != exploredNodes[len(exploredNod
                        # We have found a cycle
                        exploredNodes.append(boundaryNode)
                        # Remove non-cyclic portion
                        while exploredNodes[0] != boundaryNode: exploredNodes.remove(0)
                        return exploredNodes
        # No cycle found
        return []
# Example
print findCycle(a)
```

# Problem 3

We may show a strongly connected graph also contains any two nodes (u, v) in a cycle via the following argument. Assume G is strongly connected, then there exists a directed path from u to v, and there exists a directed path from v to u. A cycle is defined a a subset of the edge set of G that forms a path such that the first node of the path corresponds to the last. Thus, we may take our path from u to v as the first part of our cycle, and the path from v to u as the second part of our cycle. We know both of these paths exist because the graph is strongly connected. Since we start at u and go through v, then come back to u, we have a cycle that contains u and v. Thus, if a graph is strongly connected, any two nodes are contained in a cycle.

#### Problem 4

# **Adjacency Matrix**

An adjacency matrix implementation allows us to check in O(1) time whether or not a given edge exists in a graph. The graph must take  $|V|^2$  space since we have  $\Omega(|V|^2)$  edges. It takes  $\Omega(|V|)$  time to check all incident edges of a node, even if there are less than |V| incident edges.

### **Adjacency List**

An adjacency list requires only O(|E|+|V|) space since we need |V| arrays, where the length of all the arrays is at most O(|E|). Since we have  $\Omega(|V|^2)$  edges, we will still require  $O(|V|^2)$  space, and thus we save no space over an adjacency matrix representation. The time it takes to find edge e is proportional to the lowest degree'd node that e is attached to. Once a node is found, its neighbors can be found in constant time per neighbor.

### Preference

Since the graph has  $\Omega(|V|^2)$  edges, both implementations will take the same amount of space. It will take O(|V|) time to find all the neighbors of a node in both implementations. The adjacency matrix will be able

to check if an edge (u, v) exists in the graph in O(1) time, while the adjacency list does the same operation in proportion to the degree u and v. Thus, the adjacency matrix will be the more suitable representation for this type of graph, since it will have faster edge checking.