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Data Structures and Algorithms

Laboratory 12

Graphs and Sorting

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Learning Objectives:

- Pointers and Dynamic Memory Allocation
- Non-Linear Data Structure
- Graph Data Structure

Resources Required:

- Desktop Computer or Laptop
- Microsoft® Visual Studio 2022

General Instructions:

- In this Lab, you are **NOT** allowed to discuss your solution with your colleagues, not even allowed to ask how is s/he doing, this may result in negative marking. You can **ONLY** discuss with your Teaching Assistants (TAs) or Lab Instructor.
- Your TAs will be available in the Lab for your help. Alternatively, you can send your queries via email to one of the following.

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Background and Overview

Non-Linear Data structures

Non-linear data structures are data structures in which elements are not arranged in a sequential, linear manner. Unlike linear data structures (e.g., arrays, linked lists) where elements are stored in a linear order, non-linear data structures allow for more complex relationships among elements

Graphs

A graph is a data structure that consists of a set of nodes (or vertices) and a set of edges connecting these nodes. Graphs are widely used to represent relationships and connections between different entities. The nodes in a graph can represent entities (such as people, cities, or web pages), and the edges represent relationships or connections between these entities.

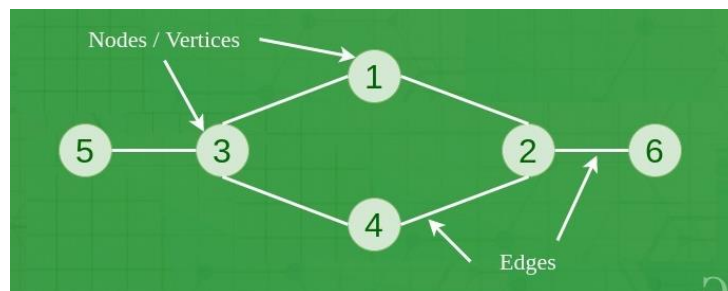


Figure 1(Graph)

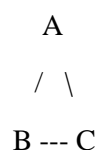
Representation of Graphs

Adjacency Matrix:

In an adjacency matrix, a graph with n vertices is represented by an $n \times n$ matrix. The entry $\text{matrix}[i][j]$ indicates whether there is an edge between vertices i and j . For an undirected graph, the matrix is symmetric.

Example:

Consider the following undirected graph:



The adjacency matrix for this graph would be:

	A	B	C
A	0	1	1
B	1	0	1
C	1	1	0

In this matrix:

- The entry matrix $[0][1]$ (or matrix $[1][0]$) is 1, indicating there is an edge between vertex A and vertex B.

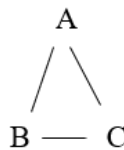
- The entry matrix $[0][2]$ (or matrix $[2][0]$) is 1, indicating there is an edge between vertex A and vertex C.
- The entry matrix $[1][2]$ (or matrix $[2][1]$) is 1, indicating there is an edge between vertex B and vertex C.

Adjacency List:

In an adjacency list representation, each vertex has a list of its neighboring vertices. This is an array of lists (or a HashMap), where each index represents a vertex, and the corresponding list contains the vertices adjacent to that vertex.

Example:

Using the same example graph:



The adjacency list for this graph would be:

A: [B, C]

B: [A, C]

C: [A, B]

In this list:

Vertex A is adjacent to vertices B and C.

Vertex B is adjacent to vertices A and C.

Vertex C is adjacent to vertices A and B.

Comparison:

1. Space Complexity:

Adjacency Matrix: Takes $O(V^2)$ space for V vertices. It's more space-efficient for dense graphs.

Adjacency List: Takes $O(V + E)$ space for V vertices and E edges. It's more space-efficient for sparse graphs.

2. Edge Existence Check:

Adjacency Matrix: Checking if an edge exists takes constant time ($O(1)$).

Adjacency List: Checking if an edge exists may take time proportional to the degree of the vertex ($O(\text{degree})$).

3. Traversal:

Adjacency Matrix: Traversing all neighbors of a vertex takes $O(V)$ time.

Adjacency List: Traversing all neighbors of a vertex takes $O(\text{degree})$ time, which is generally faster for sparse graphs.

Activities

Pre-Lab Activities:

Task 01: Dijkstra's Algo

Objective:

Design and implement a program to find the shortest path from a given source node to all other nodes in a weighted, directed graph using Dijkstra's algorithm.

Problem Description:

You are tasked with implementing a shortest path algorithm for a transportation network represented as a weighted, directed graph. The goal is to determine the minimum distance from a given source node S to every other node in the network.

The graph consists of 'n' nodes and 'm' edges, where each edge has a non-negative weight representing the cost to traverse it. Your program should output the shortest distances in ascending order of node numbers. If a node is unreachable from the source, indicate it by outputting "INF" for that node.

To achieve this, use **Dijkstra's algorithm**, which efficiently finds the shortest paths using a greedy approach. The algorithm relies on a priority queue (min-heap) to repeatedly select the node with the smallest tentative distance, updating the distances of its neighbours.

Example:

Adjacency List Representation:

- 1: [(2, 4), (3, 2)]
- 2: [(3, 5), (4, 10)]
- 3: [(5, 3), (6, 9)]
- 4: [(6, 11)]
- 5: [(4, 4), (6, 6)]
- 6: []

Expected Output:

0 4 2 9 5 11

Explanation:

- Distance to Node 1 (source): 0
- Distance to Node 2: 4 (via 1→2)
- Distance to Node 3: 2 (via 1→3)
- Distance to Node 4: 9 (via 1→3→5→4)
- Distance to Node 5: 5 (via 1→3→5)
- Distance to Node 6: 11 (via 1→3→5→6)