In retrospect, what could you have done better to reduce the time you spent solving this homework?

I could have used another data structure other than an adjacency matrix. If I had used an adjacency list, I would be done with the assignment much quicker.

What could we, the teaching staff, have done better to improve your learning experience in this homework?

I think if a warning about how large the files and how much we would be storing was given, it would have prevented me from choosing to use an adjacency matrix. In fact, the teaching staff could have discouraged the use of an adjacency matrix since the memory usage is V^2.

 What do you know now that you did not know before beginning the homework?

An adjacency matrix is not good for extremely large data sets, it should only be used for medium data sets.