

In this third project our objective is to introduce the box product of two simple graphs, and prove that $G \square H$ is connected if and only if G and H are connected.

1 Graph connectivity

Lean's mathlib already includes simple graphs and some basic constructions such as walks and paths. However, it does not have a definition for connectivity and some corresponding important results which we first need to introduce.

A graph G with vertex set V_G is set to be connected if $V_G \neq \emptyset$ and $\forall u, v \in V_G$ there exists a path from u to v . In Lean this is written as:

```
def is_connected {V : Type} (G : simple_graph V) : Prop :=
nonempty V ∧ ∀ u v : V, ∃ p : G.walk u v, p.is_path
```

The next thing is that graph isomorphisms preserve walks and thus connectivity. This is rather obvious as a graph isomorphism $\phi : G \rightarrow H$ preserves the vertex and edge set. To show this in Lean we recursively decompose the walk in G to reconstruct it in H using the mapping of the adjacency relation of the vertices from G to H :

```
/-- Graph isomorphisms preserve walks -/
def graph_iso.walk {V W : Type} {G : simple_graph V} {H : simple_graph W}
  (e : G ≈g H) : Π {a b : V}, G.walk a b → H.walk (e(a)) (e(b))
| _ _ simple_graph.walk.nil := walk.nil
| _ _ (simple_graph.walk.cons hGadj Gwalk) :=
  walk.cons (e.map_adj_iff.mpr hGadj) (graph_iso.walk Gwalk)
```

The proof for connectivity follows from this, as if we have a walk one can always produce a path. This is done using the mathlib `simple_graph.walk.to_path` function. The other part of connectivity is to show that the vertex set of H is non empty. Which is obvious as if there exists a vertex $v \in G$ then $\phi(v) \in H$.

Currently, the proof for connectivity relies on the `classical` tactic as the function `simple_graph.walk.to_path` relies on the vertex set of H to be an instance of `decidable_eq`. One improvement might be to remove this dependency by creating a lemma that states graph isomorphism preserve paths without needing to rely on the `simple_graph.walk.to_path` function.

2 The box product

The box product, $G \square H$, of two graphs G and H is defined as follows:

- $G \square H$ has vertex set $V_{G \square H} = V_G \times V_H$
- There is an edge between (g_1, h_1) and (g_2, h_2) iff
 - Either $h_1 = h_2$ and there is an edge between g_1 and g_2 in G ,
 - Or $g_1 = g_2$ and there is an edge between h_1 and h_2 in H .

Which in Lean is defined as a `simple_graph` structure:

```
def box_product {V W : Type} (G : simple_graph V) (H : simple_graph W) :
simple_graph (V × W) :=
{
  -- a b : V × W;
  -- `¹.¹` corresponds to an element of G `².²` corresponds to an element of H
  adj := λ (a b), (a.2 = b.2 ∧ G.adj a.1 b.1) ∨ (a.1 = b.1 ∧ H.adj a.2 b.2),
  symm := -- ...
  loopless := -- ...
}
```

To be able to use the notation $G \square H$ in Lean we need to define a new infix operator:

```
infix ` □ `:70 := box_product
```

We use 70 as the precedence so that it has a higher precedence compared to graph (iso)morphisms. This doesn't allow us to remove the brackets when we use the field dot notation, and we don't know if there is a way to fix this.

We proceed to write a basic API to be able to rewrite the adjacency relation of the box product whose proofs are `refl`. Following up by proving that the box product is commutative and associative up to isomorphism. The proofs are rather straightforward albeit tedious. They are defined as followed:

```
/-- The box product is commutative up to isomorphism -/
def box_product_comm {V W : Type} (G : simple_graph V) (H : simple_graph W) :
G\square H ≈g H\square G := -- ...

/- The box product is associative up to isomorphism -/
def box_product_assoc {U V W : Type} (G : simple_graph U) (H : simple_graph V)
(K : simple_graph W) : (G\square H)\square K ≈g G\square(H\square K) := -- ...
```

We then create an API to move adjacency relations of G from itself to the graph $G \square H$:

```
/- Adjacency relations to move between the simple graph and the box product -/
lemma adj_lhs_equiv {V W : Type} {a b : V} {y : W} {G : simple_graph V}
  {H : simple_graph W} : G.adj a b ↔ (G\square H).adj (a, y) (b, y) :=
begin
  split, {
    -- Lift from G to G\square H
    intro hGadj,
    left,
    rw [eq_self_iff_true, true_and],
    exact hGadj,
  }, {
    -- Projection from G\square H to G
    intro hGHadj,
    cases hGHadj with hGB hHB, {
      exact hGB.2,
    }, {
      -- H is a simple graph so there is no edge between w and w
      -- This is the condition irrefl,
      -- and_false simplifies the hyp as if one side of an AND
      -- is false than the prop is false
      simp only [irrefl, and_false] at hHB,
      exfalso,
      exact hHB,
    }
  }
end
```

The same is done for adjacency relations between H and $G \square H$.

The lifting of a walk from G to $G \square H$ is straightforward as one can just trace the walk in (g_1, \dots, g_n) for a constant vertex $h \in H$, by using the adjacency relation between G and $G \square H$.

```
def lift_walk_lhs {V W : Type} {G : simple_graph V} {H : simple_graph W}
  (y : W) : Π {a b : V}, (G.walk a b) → (G\square H).walk (a, y) (b, y)
| _ _ simple_graph.walk.nil := walk.nil
| a b (simple_graph.walk.cons hGadj Gwalk)
  := walk.cons (adj_lhs_equiv.mp hGadj) (lift_walk_lhs Gwalk)
```

Lifting a walk from H is done similarly.

The projection/descent of a walk from $G \square H$ to G is more complicated. The basic idea is that if we are moving along an edge in H we discard this step of the walk and only keep the components which move along edges in G .

In Lean we managed to do the part which kept the edges moving along in G in tactic mode, but could not figure out how to discard the edges along H . Thanks to Kenny Lau showing us **or.by_cases**, which is how one can do the **cases** tactic in term mode,

and `show ... by rw ...` which allows to do some rewrite in term mode, we could finalise and convert to term mode the projection of a walk. The use of `or.by_cases` requires the types and adjacency relations to be decidable, therefore requiring us to add some instance of `[decidable_eq T]` and `[decidable_rel G.adj]`.

Put all together we get the following Lean code:

```
def descend_walk_lhs {V W : Type} [decidable_eq V] [decidable_eq W]
  {G : simple_graph V} [decidable_rel G.adj]
  {H : simple_graph W} [decidable_rel H.adj]
  : Π {vw1 vw2 : V × W}, (G ⊓ H).walk vw1 vw2 → (G.walk vw1.1 vw2.1)
| _ _ simple_graph.walk.nil := walk.nil
| vw1 vw3 (simple_graph.walk.cons hGHad adj p) :=
  or.by_cases hGHad (λ hBG, walk.cons hBG.2 (descend_walk_lhs p))
  (λ hBH, show G.walk vw1.1 vw3.1, by rw hBH.1; exact descend_walk_lhs p)
```

The projection of a walk from $G \square H$ to H is done similarly.

3 $G \square H$ is connected if and only if G and H are connected

We are now ready to show that $G \square H$ is connected $\iff G$ and H are connected.

3.1 $G \square H$ is connected if G and H are connected

The proof is straightforward:

Proof 1

Let $(g, h) \in V_{G \square H} = V_G \times V_H$. By the connectedness of H , $\forall k, l \exists$ path from (g_i, h_k) to (g_i, h_l) . Similarly, by the connectedness of G , $\forall i, j \exists$ path from (g_i, h_k) to (g_j, h_k) .

Therefore, there exists a walk (and thus a path) from (g_i, h_k) to (g_j, h_l) by concatenating the path from (g_i, h_k) to (g_j, h_k) and the path from (g_j, h_k) to (g_j, h_l) .

The Lean proof follows this structure, with the additional easy proof that the vertex set of the box product $V_G \times V_H$ is not empty.

3.2 $G \square H$ is connected only if G and H are connected

The tricky aspect of the proof for this direction has already been solved with the projection of the walks from $G \square H$ to G (respectively H).