# Data Structures and Algorithms in Python

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# **Instructor's Solutions Manual**

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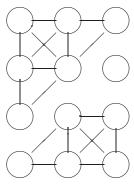
# Graph Algorithms

## Hints and Solutions

#### Reinforcement

**R-14.1**) **Hint** Use the drawing style of the book for the figure.

#### **R-14.1) Solution**



**R-14.2) Hint** Recall that an *n*-vertex component of a simple undirected graph can have no more than n(n-1)/2 edges.

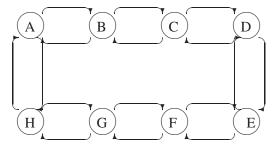
**R-14.2) Solution** If G has 12 vertices and 3 connected components, then the maximum number of edges it can have is 45. This would be a fully connected component with 10 vertices (thus having 45 edges) and two connected components each with a single vertex.

**R-14.3**) **Hint** Fix a canonical ordering of the nodes.

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**R-14.5**) **Hint** When drawing the Euler tour notice that every in has an out.

R-14.5) Solution



The Euler tour is  $A \to B \to C \to D \to E \to F \to G \to H \to A \to H \to G \to F \to E \to D \to C \to B \to A$ 

**R-14.6**) **Hint** Recall the properties of inserting and removing elements in a doubly linked list.

**R-14.6)** Solution Inserting a vertex runs in O(1) time since it is simply inserting an element into a doubly linked list. To remove a vertex, on the other hand, we must inspect all edges. Clearly this will take O(m) time.

**R-14.7**) **Hint** Don't forget to update the edge list E.

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**R-14.9**) **Hint** How can the edges method be implemented?

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**R-14.11**) **Hint** The point of this exercise is to explore the trade-offs of the various representations. If you are having trouble, please review these trade-offs.

#### R-14.11) Solution

- a. The adjacency list structure is preferable. Indeed, the adjacency matrix structure wastes a lot of space. It allocates entries for 100,000,000 edges while the graph has only 20,000 edges.
- b. In general, both structures work well in this case. Regarding the space requirement, there is no clear winner. Note that the exact space usage of the two structures depends on the implementation details. The adjacency matrix structure is much better for operation get\_edge, while the adjacency list structure is much better for operations insert\_vertex and remove\_vertex.
- c. The adjacency matrix structure is preferable. Indeed, it supports operation get\_edge in O(1) time, irrespectively of the number of vertices or edges.

**R-14.12**) **Hint** Review the pseudo-code while observing the different running times needed to implement each step when the graph is represented with an adjacency matrix.

R-14.13) Hint Use a pencil and paper.

**R-14.14**) **Hint** Work out an example with a complete graph of six vertices.

**R-14.14) Solution** The depth-first search tree of a complete graph is a path.

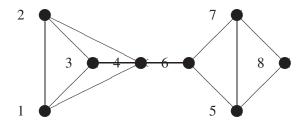
R-14.15) Hint Work out an example with a complete graph of six vertices.

**R-14.15**) **Solution** The breadth-first search tree of a complete graph is a star, that is, a rooted tree having all external-node children.

**R-14.16**) **Hint** Follow the algorithm descriptions and drawing styles given in the book.

#### **R-14.16**) **Solution**

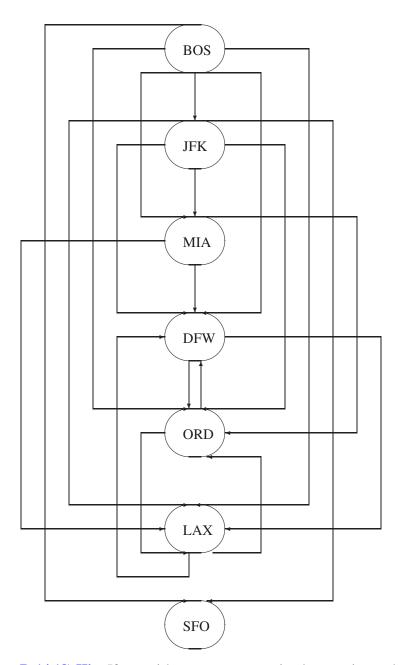
a. A drawing of graph G is given below:



- b. A DFS traversal starting at vertex 1 visits the vertices in the following order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5, 7, 8.
- c. A BFS traversal starting at vertex 1 visits the vertices in the following order: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 5, 7, 8.

**R-14.17**) **Hint** Mimic the drawing style used in the book.

#### **R-14.17**) **Solution**



**R-14.18) Hint** If you wish, you may run our implementation to determine the order.

**R-14.18**) **Solution** The edges are added as follows:

BOS  $\rightarrow$  SFO via JFK,

 $BOS \rightarrow DFW$  via JFK,

 $MIA \rightarrow ORD$  via LAX,

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JFK \rightarrow LAX via MIA,
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 $BOS \rightarrow LAX$  via MIA,

 $BOS \rightarrow ORD$  via MIA,

 $LAX \rightarrow DFW$  via ORD,

 $LAX \rightarrow SFO$  via DFW,

 $MIA \rightarrow SFO$  via DFW,

 $ORD \rightarrow LAX$  via DFW,

and ORD → SFO via DFW

**R-14.19**) **Hint** Are there any pairs of vertices that are not related?

**R-14.19**) Solution There are n(n-1)/2 in the transitive closure of a graph that consists of a simple directed path of n vertices (including the original edges).

**R-14.20**) **Hint** Design a counting scheme that charges each level in *T* with the transitive closure edges that go from that level to lower levels.

**R-14.20)** Solution Let us use a counting scheme that charges each level in T with the transitive closure edges that go from that level to lower levels. Note that every node in T will have transitive closure edges to all of its descendants. Thus, a node v will be the origin of as many transitive closure edges as the size of the subtree rooted at v (minus one, for v itself, but let us ignore this fact since we just have to prove an upper bound). In other words, each level of T contributes at most n edges to the transitive closure. Thus, there are  $O(n \log n)$  edges in the transitive closure.

**R-14.21**) **Hint** Use the transitive closure algorithm given in the book.

R-14.21) Solution BOS, JFK, MIA, ORD, DFW, SFO, LAX

**R-14.22**) **Hint** Model the courses and their prerequisites as a directed graph.

**R-14.22) Solution** The topological sorting algorithm can help us solve this problem.

- Build a directed graph to represent the course prerequisite requirements. The nine courses are vertices in the directed graph. If a course A is a prerequisite for another course B, the directed graph has a directed edge from A to B.
- Apply the topological sorting algorithm on this directed graph. The result is one possible sequence of courses for Bob.

For the given set of prerequisites, the solution is not unique. For example, one possible solution is LA15, LA16, LA22, LA31, LA32, LA126, LA127, LA141, LA169. Another solution is LA15, LA16, LA127, LA31, LA32, LA169, LA22, LA126, LA141.

**R-14.23**) **Hint** Using the drawing style given in the book.

**R-14.24**) **Hint** The essential property of course is to observe the edge directions. So work out the pseudo-code with this in mind.

**R-14.25**) **Hint** Use the drawing style given in the book, and show the order in which the edges are added to the MST.

**R-14.26) Hint** Use the drawing style given in the book, and show the order in which the edges are added to the MST.

R-14.27) Hint Use an MST algorithm.

**R-14.28**) **Hint** The black lines represent unexplored edges. What about the others?

**R-14.29**) **Hint** Edges in the DFS tree are represented by solid lines. What about the others?

**R-14.29**) **Solution** Edges in the DFS tree are represented by solid lines. Back edges are shown with dashed lines. Forward and cross edges are shown with dashed black lines.

**R-14.30) Hint** The black lines represent unexplored edges. What about the others?

**R-14.30)** Solution The black lines represent unexplored edges. The blue lines represent edges leading to the discovery of a new vertex. Dashed lines represent cross edges. Thick lines represent the discovery edges at a specific depth.

**R-14.31**) **Hint** Solid black lines are edges in the original input graph. What about the others?

**R-14.32) Hint** Traversed edges are shown with dashed blue lines. What about the others?

**R-14.32) Solution** Traversed edges are shown with dashed blue lines. Solid black lines are untraversed edges. Thick lines show the edges traversed in the current iteration.

**R-14.33**) **Hint** Solid black edges have not been relaxed yet. What about the others?

**R-14.34**) **Hint** Edges being considered in the current iteration for the MST are shown in thick blue lines. What about the others?

**R-14.34**) **Solution** Edges being considered in the current iteration for the MST are shown in thick blue lines. Dashed lines represent rejected edges. The cloud represents all the vertices currently in the MST.

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**R-14.36**) **Hint** Note how much time is spent in each step of George's algorithm.

### Creativity

C-14.37) Hint Make sure to remove any incident edges.

**C-14.38) Hint** Make sure to remove the edge from the adjacency map for each incident vertex.

C-14.39) Hint Use a data structure described in this book.

**C-14.40**) **Hint** Suppose that such a nontree edge is a cross edge, and argue based upon the order the DFS visits the end vertices of this edge.

**C-14.41**) **Hint** The DFS method must be changed so that the repetition stops when discovering v.

C-14.42) Hint There has to be a good traversal that does this.

**C-14.43**) **Hint** Maintain a set of all vertices upon which a recursive call to DFS is currently active.

**C-14.44) Hint** Modify the dfs\_complete function in order to tag each vertex with a component number when it is first discovered.

C-14.45) Hint The solution involves a traversal discussed in this chapter.

**C-14.45**) **Solution** Do a DFS of the maze, treating the branch points as vertices and the corridors as edges. If there are no back edges and every part of the maze is reachable from the start, including the finish, the maze is constructed correctly.

C-14.46) Hint Number the vertices 0 to n-1.

**C-14.46**) Solution Number the vertices 0 to n-1. Now add an edge from vertex i to vertex  $(i+1) \mod n$ , if that edge does not already exist. This connects all the vertices in a cycle, which is itself biconnected.

**C-14.47**) **Hint** Suppose there is a forward edge or back edge and show why it would not be a nontree edge.

**C-14.48**) **Hint** Suppose there is such an edge and show why it would not be a nontree edge.

**C-14.49**) **Hint** Justify this by induction on the length of a shortest path from the start vertex.

**C-14.50) Hint** Take each part in turn and use induction or contradiction as justification techniques.

**C-14.51) Hint** Starting with the source vertex in the queue, repeatedly remove the vertex from the front of the queue and insert any of its unvisited neighbors to the back of the queue.

**C-14.52**) **Hint** Do a BFS search in *G*.

**C-14.52) Solution** Construct a BFS search tree T for G. Place the vertices on even levels in X and the ones in odd levels in Y. Now double-check that there are no edges between a pair of vertices in X or a pair of vertices in Y. This algorithm runs in O(n+m) time.

C-14.53) Hint Start out greedy and patch in the places this approach misses.

C-14.54) Hint Perform "baby" searches from each station.

C-14.54) Solution For each vertex v, perform a modified BFS traversal starting a v that stops as soon as level 4 is computed.

Alternatively, for each vertex v, call method DFS(v,4) given below, which is a modified DFS traversal starting at v:

 $\mathsf{DFS}(v,i)$ 

if i > 0 and v is not marked then

Mark v.

Print v.

**for all** vertices w adjacent to v **do** DFS(w, i-1).

**C-14.55**) **Hint** Try to compute the *diameter* of the tree *T* by a pruning procedure, starting at the leaves (external nodes).

**C-14.55**) **Solution** We can compute the *diameter* of the tree *T* by a pruning procedure, starting at the leaves (external nodes).

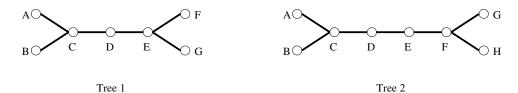
- a. Remove all leaves of T. Let the remaining tree be  $T_1$ .
- b. Remove all leaves of  $T_1$ . Let the remaining tree be  $T_2$ .
- c. Repeat the "remove" operation as follows: Remove all leaves of  $T_i$ . Let remaining tree be  $T_{i+1}$ .
- d. When the remaining tree has only one node or two nodes, stop! Suppose now the remaining tree is  $T_k$ .
- e. If  $T_k$  has only one node, that is the center of T. The *diameter* of T is 2k.
- f. If  $T_k$  has two nodes, either can be the center of T. The *diameter* of T is 2k + 1.

**C-14.56**) **Hint** Perform a traversal of *T* to compute distances to leaves.

#### **C-14.56**) Solution

- a. (a) Remove all leaves of T. Let the remaining tree be  $T_1$ .
  - (b) Remove all leaves of  $T_1$ . Let the remaining tree be  $T_2$ .
  - (c) Repeat the "remove" operation as follows: Remove all leaves of  $T_i$ . Let remaining tree be  $T_{i+1}$ .
  - (d) Once the remaining tree has only one node or two nodes, stop! Suppose now the remaining tree is  $T_k$ .
  - (e) If  $T_k$  has only one node, that is the center of T. The *eccentricity* of the center node is k.
  - (f) If  $T_k$  has two nodes, either can be the center of T. The *eccentricity* of the center node is k + 1.

b. No! Not always unique. It's possible that the remaining tree has two nodes. We don't like to remove the leaves of a two-node tree (there will be nothing left!). You can try the following two trees. The center of the first tree is *D* with *eccentricity* 2. The center of the second tree is either *D* or *E* with *eccentricity* 3.



C-14.57) Hint What is the in-degree of the vertex labeled i in a compact graph?

**C-14.58**) **Hint** Change the function to be optimized, but keep it indexed in terms of the a fixed listing of vertices.

C-14.59) Hint Think about a shortest path with negative edges.

C-14.60) Hint Be greedy.

**C-14.60) Solution** 

Initialize *W* to *V* (as a copy of all the vertices) while *W* is not empty

Add a vertex w from W to I.

Remove from W all other vertices adjacent to w.

The running time of this method is O(n+m).

C-14.61) Hint Give G lots of edges and make every edge count for lots updates in the heap.

**C-14.62**) **Hint** Examine closely the justification for why Dijkstra's algorithm works correctly and note the place where it breaks if negative-weight edges.

**C-14.63**) **Hint** The greedy algorithm presented in this problem is not guaranteed to find the shortest path. Why not?

**C-14.63**) **Solution** The greedy algorithm presented in this problem is not guaranteed to find the shortest path between vertices in graph. This can be seen by counterexample. Consider the weighted graph with vertices A, B, C and D, and the following edges and corresponding weights:

- (A, B, 1)
- (A, C, 2)
- (*B*,*D*,3)
- (*C*,*D*,1)

Suppose we wish to find the shortest path from start = A to goal = D and we make use of the proposed greedy strategy. Starting at A and with path initialized to A, the algorithm will next place B in path (because (A,B) is the minimum-cost edge incident to A) and set start equal to B. The lightest edge incident to start = B which has not yet been traversed is (B,D). As a result, D will be appended to path and start will be assigned D. At this point the algorithm will terminate (since start = goal = D). In the end we have that path = A, B, D, which clearly is not the shortest path from A to D. (Note: in fact the algorithm is not guaranteed to find any path between two given nodes since it makes no provisions for backing up. In an appropriate situation, it will fail to halt.)

**C-14.64**) **Hint** Maintain an auxiliary set of vertices that have already been discovered.

**C-14.65**) **Hint** Think about the important fact about minimum spanning trees.

**C-14.66) Hint** How does the number of connected components change from one iteration of Barůvka's algorithm to the next?

**C-14.67**) **Hint** Use the tree-based union/find data structure from Chapter 10 along with one of the MST algorithms given in Chapter 12 and a good sorting algorithm.

**C-14.67**) Solution Use bucket-sort to sort the edges in O(m) time and then use the tree-based union/find data structure from Chapter 10 along with Kruskal's algorithm to find the MST in  $O(m \log^* n)$  additional time (using the sorted order to determine the order in which to process the edges).

C-14.68) Hint This is not a shortest-path problem.

**C-14.68) Solution** We can model this problem using a graph. We associate a vertex of the graph with each switching center and an edge of the graph with each line between two switching centers. We assign the weight of each edge to be its bandwidth. Vertices that represent switching centers that are not connected by a line do not have an edge between them.

We use the same basic idea as in Dijkstra's algorithm. We keep a variable d[v] associated with each vertex v that is the bandwidth on any path from a to this vertex. We initialize the d values of all vertices to 0, except for the value of the source (the vertex corresponding to a) that is initialized to infinity. We also keep a  $\pi$  value associated with each vertex (that contains the predecessor vertex).

The basic subroutine will be very similar to the subroutine Relax in Dijkstra. Assume that we have an edge (u,v). If  $\min\{d[u],w(u,v)\}>d[v]$  then we should update d[v] to  $\min\{d[u],w(u,v)\}$  (because the path from a to u and then to v has bandwidth  $\min\{d[u],w(u,v)\}$ , which is more than the one we have currently).

Algorithm Max-Bandwidth(G,a,b)

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a. FOR (all vertices v in V)
d[v] = 0
b. d[a] = \infty
c. Known = \emptyset
d. Unknown = V
e. WHILE (Unknown \neq \emptyset)
u = ExtractMax(Unknown)
Known = Known \cup \{u\}
FOR (all vertices v in Adj[u])
IF (min(d[u], w(u, v)) > d[v])
d[v] = min(d[u], w(u, v))
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f. return (d[b])

Here, the function ExtractMax(Unknown) finds the node in Unknown with the maximum value of d.

Complexity (this has not been asked for):

If we maintain Unknown as a heap, then there are n = |V| ExtractMax operations on it and up to m = |E| changes to the values of elements in the heap. We can implement a data structure which takes  $O(\log n)$  time for each of these operations. Hence, the total running time is  $O((n+m)\log n)$ .

C-14.69) Hint Use a greedy algorithm.

**C-14.69) Solution** Consider the weighted graph G = (V, E), where V is the set of stations and E is the set of channels between the stations. Define the weight w(e) of an edge e in E as the bandwidth of the corresponding channel.

Given below are two ways of solving the problem:

- a. At every step of the greedy algorithm for constructing the minimum spanning tree, instead of picking the edge having the least weight, pick the edge having the greatest weight.
- b. Negate all the edge-weights. Run the usual minimum spanning tree algorithm on this graph. The algorithm gives us the desired solution.

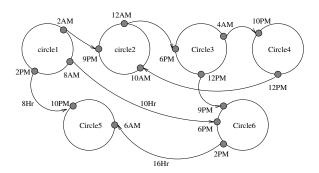
**C-14.70) Hint** Model this problem as an optimal path problem that goes between two vertices in a directed graph without cycles.

**C-14.70) Solution** Simply run the shortest-path algorithm with path(a) < path(b) if there is more gold on path(a) than path(b).

**C-14.71) Hint** Define an augmented graph from the input graph and perform the appropriate computation on the augmented graph.

C-14.71) Solution There are two possible solutions:

- a. For each airport  $a_i$  in A, draw a circle  $circle_i$  to represent the time (24 hours).
  - For each flight f in  $\mathcal{F}$ , find the origin airport  $a_o$ , the destination airport  $a_d$ , the departure time  $t_d$ , and the arrival time  $t_a$ . Draw a vertex  $v_1$  on  $circle_o$  marked the time  $t_d$ , also draw a vertex  $v_2$  on  $circle_d$  marked the time  $(t_a+c(a_d))$ . Draw an directed edge from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$  with weight  $t_a+c(a_d)-t_d$  (of course we must compute the correct weight (flight time) in case like the departure time is 10:00PM and the arrival time is 1:00AM next day). The direction of edges on a circle should be clockwise.
  - Now we have a new graph like the figure below:



Note that we have included the minimum connecting time in the total flight time. We can start the modified new flights without worrying about the connecting times.

Then to solve this problem is to find the shortest path from the first vertex on  $circle_a$  (origin airport a) representing time t or after t to one vertex on  $circle_b$  (destination airport b) in the graph. The flight sequences can be obtained from the shortest path from origin to destination.

b. The following algorithm finds the minimum travel time path from airport  $a \in \mathcal{A}$  to airport  $b \in \mathcal{A}$ . Recall, we must depart from a at or after time t. Note, " $\oplus$ " and " $\preceq$ " are operations which we must implement. We define these operations as follows: If  $x \oplus y = z$ , then z is the point in time (with date taken into consideration) which follows x by y time units. Also, if  $a \preceq b$ , then a is a point in time which precedes or equals b. These operations can be implemented in constant time.

initialize fringe to empty initialize incoming\_flight(x) to nil for each x in  $\mathcal{A}$ 

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earliest_arrival_time(a)=t
earliest_arrival_time(x)=\infty for x in A where x \neq a
    remove from fringe airport x such that earliest\_arrival\_time(x) is soonest
    if x \neq b then
          if x = a then
              time_can_depart=t
          else
              time_can_depart=earliest_arrival_time(x) \oplus c(x)
          for each flight f in \mathcal{F} such that a_1(f) = x
              if time\_can\_depart \leq t_1(f) and t_2(f) \leq earliest\_arrival\_time(a_2(f)) then
                    earliest_arrival_time(a_2(f))=t_2(f)
                    incoming_flight(a_2(f))=f
                    add a_2(f) to the fringe if it is not yet there
until x = b
initialize city to b
initialize flight_sequence to nil
while (city\neq a) do
    append incoming_flight(city) to flight_sequence
    assign to city the departure city of incoming_flight(city)
reverse flight_sequence and output
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The algorithm essentially performs Dijkstra's shortest-path algorithm (the cities are the vertices and the flights are the edges). The only small alterations are that we restrict edge traversals (an edge can only be traversed at a certain time), we stop at a certain goal, and we output the path (a sequence of flights) to this goal. The only change of possible consequence to the time complexity is the flight sequence computation (the last portion of the algorithm). A minimum-time path will certainly never contain more that M flights (since there are only M total flights). Thus, we may discover the path (tracing from b back to a) in O(M) time. Reversal of this path will require O(M) time as well. Thus, since the time complexity of Dijkstra's algorithm is  $O(M \log N)$ , the time complexity of our algorithm is  $O(M \log N + M + M) = O(M \log N)$ . Note: Prior to execution of this algorithm, we may (if not given to us) divide  $\mathcal{F}$  into subsets  $F_1, F_2, \dots, F_N$ , where  $F_i$  contains the flights which depart from airport i. Then when we say "for each flight f in  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $a_1(f) = x$ ",

we will not have to waste time looking through flights which do not depart from x (we will actually compute "for each flight f in  $F_x$ "). This division of  $\mathcal{F}$  will require O(M) time (since there are M total flights), and thus will not "slow down" the computation of the minimum time path (which requires  $O(M \log N)$  time).

**C-14.72)** Hint If  $M^2(i,j) = 1$ , then there is a path of length <= 2 (a path traversing at most 2 edges) from vertex i to vertex j in the graph G. Alternatively, if  $M^2(i,j) = 0$ , then there is no such path. Now generalize from here...

#### **C-14.72**) Solution

- a. If  $M^2(i, j) = 1$ , then there is a path of length  $\leq 2$  (a path traversing at most 2 edges) from vertex i to vertex j in the graph G. Alternatively, if  $M^2(i, j) = 0$ , then there is no such path.
- b. Similarly, if  $M^4(i, j) = 1$ , then there exists a path of length <= 4 from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ , otherwise no such path exists. The situation with  $M^5$  is analogous to that of  $M^4$  and  $M^2$ . In general,  $M^p$  gives us all the vertex pairs of G which are connected by paths of length <= p.

C-14.73) Hint The running time is more than linear.

**C-14.73**) **Solution** Karen's algorithm sets parent pointers to the parent pointers of parents. Since the paths from a position in a tree-based partition structure go up until reaching the root, which points to itself, eventually every position will point to the root. Moreover, each time Karen makes a pass over S, she doubles the number of position each position has "linked out" of its path to the root. Thus, the running time of her algorithm is  $O(h \log h)$ .

## **Projects**

**P-14.74) Hint** Test the basic structure by having a method that visualizes the adjacency matrix.

**P-14.75**) **Hint** Test the basic structure by having a method that visualizes the edge list.

**P-14.76) Hint** Test the basic structure by having a method that visualizes the adjacency list.

**P-14.77) Hint** Implement the static undirected version first, then add the extra methods.

**P-14.78) Hint** Have some way of printing out each phase of the algorithm for debugging purposes.

P-14.79) Hint Use uniform and Gaussian distributions for the edge weights.

**P-14.80) Hint** You might use the cs1graphics Python module to implement the visualization.

**P-14.81**) **Hint** Do a Breadth-First Search from each node in the network.