

Title

Implementation and Exploration of Rust-based Graph Processing Library

Summary

- Design and implement a graph processing library in rust
- Compare different approaches to memory management
- Evaluate the effects on usability and performance

Background

- Graph is a very common concept and widely used in various applications in various areas.
- Graph processing library aims to deal with problems related to graphs conveniently and efficiently.
- Rust is such a powerful language with fast speed as well as multiple choices of memory management.

Challenges

- Learn and implement the whole library with the new grammars and collections in Rust.
- Understand and correctly apply concepts of various smart pointers in Rust.
- Design the graph processing library and make it efficient in time and space.

Resources

- Starter code: assignment 6 RIIR
- Tutorial: Rust official documentation
- Comparison/reference: CS106B graph library

Goals and deliverables

- An unweighted graph library based on Rust with basic functionalities
Basic methods: `addEdge`, `addNode`, `getEdges`, `getNeighbors`, `getValue`, `getEdgeSet`, `getNodeSet`, `isConnected`, `isEmpty`, `removeEdge`, `removeNode`, `size`, `toString`, `diameter`
- A weighted graph library based on Rust with advanced functionalities (if time permits)
Algorithm implementation such as shortest path, minimum spanning tree, cycle detection.
- A final report
Document the issues during development.
Show the memory performance comparison between different approaches.
Show the performance difference with other graph libraries.

Schedule

- Nov 06 --- Nov 12
Learn about Rust memory management and graph processing library.
- Nov 13 --- Nov 19
Design and implement the graph processing library in Rust.
- Nov 27 --- Dec 03
Design and implement the graph processing library in Rust.
Try different methods of memory management in Rust.
- Dec 04 --- Dec 10
Make performance comparison with C++ graph processing library in CS106B.
Write the final report.