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## hw3

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Due: 5 PM on Friday, Feb. 5.

You should complete this homework with your chosen partner. Information on how to register your partnership is TBD. (I believe there's a way to do it on Canvas, but I need to figure out how it works.)

For this homework, you will implement a graph data structure and graph search algorithm. The purpose is for you to gain experience implementing data structures in Rust.

# The deliverable

The purpose of graph is to find paths in graphs. It reads a graph specification from a file, and then answers routing queries typed by the user.

A graph specification file represents an undirected graph as an association list of nodes, written as tokens, In particular, each line is a list of words, where the first word names some node in the graph and the remaining words enumerate its neighbors. Every node mentioned as a neighbor must start a line as well, and no node may start more than one line.

The user enters queries on stdin, one at a time. A query consists of two node names, a starting node and an ending node. The program then prints out a path between the nodes, or a message that no such path exists.

Here is a simple example:

#### \$ cat graph.dat

abd

bad

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d c

#### \$ cargo run graph.dat

-> a d

a b d

-> a b

a b

-> a c

abdc

(User input appears in bold italics.)

List any assumptions that you need to make where this specification is incomplete, and be sure to test thoroughly.

## **Evaluation**

Your grade will be based on:

- correctness (how closely your program adheres to this specification),
- thoroughness of testing,
- · completeness of documentation (including assumptions),
- style (not expecting the most idiomatic Rust at this point, but I'll be looking for good factoring—don't put everything in main), and
- efficiency (no need to benchmark or profile, but do choose sensible data structures and avoid needless copying).

### How to submit

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Please submit a tar or zip archive of your Cargo project directory nere on Canvas. Name your archive NETID-nw3.{zip,tgz} (e.g., jat489-nw3.tgz).