# Homework 4: Graphs

For this assignment you will implement an API for weighted, undirected graphs; then you will use this API to build some small graphs and write a depth-first search.

In graph.rkt I've supplied stubs for the code you'll need to write, along with a few suggested helpers and some code to help you with testing.

## Orientation

The kinds of graphs we are interested in for this assignment are weighted, undirected graphs whose vertices are natural numbers. In particular, a graph of n vertices will have vertices numbered 0, 1, ..., n-1. This makes it straightforward to associate information with each vertex in a vector of size n via direct addressing.

Before defining our signature for weighted, undirected graphs, we define contracts for describing several of the arguments and results involved.

• A vertex is represented as a natural number:

```
let Vertex? = nat?
```

• We use singly-linked lists of vertices, made out of a cons struct with data and next fields as provided by the cons library (import cons):

```
let VertexList? = Cons.ListC[Vertex?]
```

The Cons.ListC contract optionally takes a contract for the list elements, which lets us express that a VertexList? is indeed a linked list of Vertex?es.

• A weight is a real number (i.e., not an infinity or "Not a Number"), and an optional weight is either a weight or None:

```
let Weight? = AndC(num?, NotC(OrC(inf, -inf, nan)))
let OptWeight? = OrC(Weight?, NoneC)
```

**Note**: this differs slightly from the interfaces we have seen in class.

• A weighted edge is represented by a struct containing two vertices and a weight; we use lists of those as well:

#### struct WEdge:

let u: Vertex?
let v: Vertex?
let w: Weight?

```
let WEdgeList? = Cons.ListC[WEdge?]
```

Note that WEdge is used in the result of one of the graph methods (below), but you don't have to use it internally in your graph representation.

Now we can give our signature for weighted, undirected graphs as a DSSL2 interface with five operations:

#### interface WUGRAPH:

The operations behave as follows:

- The len method returns the number of vertices in the graph, that is, n.
- The set\_edge method adds an edge of weight w between vertices v and u when w is a number; if the edge already exists, its weight is updated to w. If w is None then the edge, if it exists, is removed, and if absent remains absent.

Note that because the edges of undirected graphs are symmetric, the order of u and v mustn't matter; this implies that set\_edge must maintain an invariant of symmetry in both directions.

- The get\_edge method returns the weight of the edge between vertices u and v if it exists, or None if it does not.
- The get\_adjacent method returns a list of all vertices that are directly connected to vertex v. The order of the list is unspecified.<sup>1</sup>
- The get\_all\_edges method returns a list of all edges in the graph, in unspecified order. For each edge in the graph, it includes only one direction in the list. For example, if a graph has an edge of weight 10 between vertices 1 and 3, then the resulting list will contain either WEdge(1, 3, 10) or WEdge(3, 1, 10), but not both.

Overall, this interface differs slightly from the ones we have seen in lecture for UU, UD, and WD graphs, both in terms of supported operations and operation

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This means any order you like.

behavior. This is intentional: this way, you get to work with multiple graph variants. You are likely to encounter still more variants in practice!

## Your task

## Representation

Your job is to implement the WuGraph class, which must satisfy the WUGRAPH interface. To do so, you must choose a representation, as either an adjacency matrix or adjacency lists. Whichever you choose, you will need to add some field(s) to the WuGraph class and fill in the \_\_init\_\_ method to initialize them.

- 1. Define the field(s) for your representation at the top of the WuGraph class.
- 2. Complete the definition of the \_\_init\_\_ method. The WuGraph constructor takes one natural number argument, which is the number of vertices desired in the new graph.

**Note**: the representation you use internally doesn't need to correspond to the return types of the ADT operations! You can use whatever kinds of boxes you want, so long as what you create is either an adjacency matrix or adjacency lists. So long as your operations translate from your internal representation to the types expected by the interface, it's all good.

## Graph operations

Once you've defined your graph representation, you will have to implement the five graph API methods as specified by the WUGRAPH interface. Their required time complexities depend on your choice of representation.

#### Adjacency matrix representation

- 3. Implement the len method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  time.
- 4. Implement the set\_edge method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  time.
- 5. Implement the get\_edge method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  time.
- 6. Implement the get\_adjacent method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(V)$  time.
- 7. Implement the get\_all\_edges method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(V^2)$  time.

#### Adjacency lists representation

The running times of several adjacency list operations depend on d, the maximum degree of the graph. Note that in class, we considered the worst case of traversing a list as  $\mathcal{O}(e)$ ; analyzing cost in terms of degree is more precise.

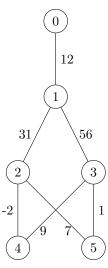
- 3. Implement the len method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  time.
- 4. Implement the set\_edge method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  time.

- 5. Implement the get\_edge method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  time.
- 6. Implement the get\_adjacent method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(d)$  time.
- 7. Implement the get\_all\_edges method, which must be  $\mathcal{O}(V+E)$  time.

## **Building** graphs

The next part of your task is to use the graph class that you built to construct two example graphs: one fixed, and one of your choice. You must construct both these graphs using only methods from the WUGRAPH interface. Of course, you're welcome to build more graphs for testing as well!

First, complete the example\_graph function so it builds the following graph exactly:



8. Complete the example\_graph function.

Second, complete the my\_neck\_of\_the\_woods function to build a graph representing a city or town where you've lived and neighboring cities/towns (nodes), road connections between them (edges), and distances between connected cities (weights). Include at least five cities.

Then to associate node IDs to city names, build a bidirectional mapping consisting of two dictionaries, one for each direction. Please use the most efficient dictionary possible for each direction.

### **Dependencies**

To make sure everyone has access to working dictionary implementations, we have provided you with a compiled solution for homework 3 in hw4-lib.zip.

Extract hw4-lib.zip in the same directory as your graph.rkt file, and the import statement at the top will import all the definitions from homework 3, with the interface described in the homework 3 handout.

Note: Be careful to recreate the exact directory structure described above and use the exact import statement we provide. Otherwise your code won't work, either when you try to run it yourself, or when we try to grade it.

**Note**: The compiled files we provide are specific to Racket version 8.11; if you use any other version, they will not work.

You are welcome to use these dictionaries, or use some of your own creation. If you use one of your own, though, be sure to include its code in your submission; your file must be self-contained (aside from hw4-lib and the DSSL2 standard library, of course).

Your my\_neck\_of\_the\_woods function must return a CityMap struct which combines the graph and the two dictionaries. With this bidirectional mapping, we can now do operations in terms of cities, as opposed to having to use nodes directly! Write (at least!) one test that uses the graph and both directions of the bidirectional mapping together to ask a cities-related question of your choice.

In case you would prefer not to share your own neck of the woods, you can use one of my hometowns and their related cities instead:

• Bengaluru: hometown

Yelahanka: neighboring townDevanhalli: neighboring town

Mysuru: neighboring townHosur: neighboring town

For connections and distances, you can consult a map.

- 9. Complete the my\_neck\_of\_the\_woods function.
- 10. Write a test case that uses all the parts of my\_neck\_of\_the\_woods.

### Depth-first search

Once you have your graph implementation working, there's one more thing to implement, a depth-first search function to traverse a graph:

```
dfs : WUGRAPH Vertex [Vertex -> None] -> None
```

In class we used DFS to check reachability between two nodes. However, if we modified our algorithm to not look for a specific target vertex, the DFS algorithm would just end up visiting all neighbors; this "graph traversal" is another common application of DFS and is what you are expected to implement here. This function takes a graph g, a vertex u, and a visitor function f. It

performs a depth-first search starting at u. As it encounters each vertex v for the first time, it calls f(v). The visitor function is called on each reachable vertex exactly once, in a valid depth-first order.

10. Implement the dfs function, which must have the optimal asymptotic time complexity:  $\mathcal{O}(V+E)$  if using adjacency lists, or  $\mathcal{O}(V^2)$  if using an adjacency matrix.

Keep in mind: your dfs function must operate correctly on *any* conforming implementation of the WUGRAPH interface; not just yours. So be sure to use only methods which are part of the interface.

In order to help you test dfs, we have provided a function dfs\_to\_list that uses it to construct a list of vertices in DFS-order. It should be relatively easy to write assert tests for dfs\_to\_list once you know in what order your dfs function visits vertices. You're welcome to use the graphs you built earlier to test your DFS and/or create new ones.

The starter code also includes functions sort\_vertices and sort\_edges, which sort lists of vertices and WEdges, respectively. This is useful for testing because several methods produce lists in an unspecified order.

## Honor code

Every programming assignment you hand in must begin with the following definition (taken from the Provost's website;<sup>2</sup> see that for a more detailed explanation of these points):

```
let eight_principles = ["Know your rights.",
    "Acknowledge your sources.",
    "Protect your work.",
    "Avoid suspicion.",
    "Do your own work.",
    "Never falsify a record or permit another person to do so.",
    "Never fabricate data, citations, or experimental results.",
    "Always tell the truth when discussing your work with your instructor."]
```

If the definition is not present, you will receive no credit for the assignment.

**Note:** Be careful about formatting the above in your source code! Depending on your pdf reader, directly copy-pasting may not yield valid DSSL2 formatting. To avoid surprises, copy a working version of the eight principles from one of your prior submissions and be sure to test your code *after* copying the above definition.

 $<sup>^2 \</sup>verb|http://www.northwestern.edu/provost/students/integrity/rules.html|$ 

## Grading

Please submit your completed version of graph.rkt, containing:

- a definition for the WUGraph class,
- definitions for the functions example\_graph, my\_neck\_of\_the\_woods, and dfs,
- sufficient tests to be confident of your code's correctness,
- and the honor code.

Be sure to remove any leftover debugging printing code, comment out any code that would cause infinite loops, and make sure that your submission can run successfully. If your submission produces excessive output, loops infinitely, or crashes, we will not be able to give either you feedback on it or credit for it. Please run your code one last time before submitting!

#### **Functional Correctness**

We will use four separate test suites to test your submission:

- Basic WU graph: construction, get\_edge, get\_adjacent, and set\_edge in the non-update and non-delete case.
- Advanced WU graph: set\_edge update and delete cases, get\_all\_edges.
- Basic search: correct DFS traversal order on connected graphs.
- Advanced search: DFS on disconnected graphs, and stress tests on large random graphs (to check for computational complexity issues).

To get credit for a test suite, your submission must pass all its tests.

The outcome your submission will earn will be determined as follows:

- Got it: passes all four test suites.
- Almost there: passes both basic test suites, and fails a single advanced test suite.
- On the way: either passes both basic test suites, or passes both the basic and advanced test suite for one of the two topics.
- Not yet: does not achieve "on the way" requirements.
- Cannot assess: we could not successfully run our grading tests on your submission (usually due to a crash), which also means we could not give you feedback. Please run your code before submitting!

#### **Non-Functional Correctness**

For this assignment, the self-evaluation will be specifically looking for:

- $\bullet\,$  Thorough testing, including edge cases
- Efficiency from the use of the correct representation and operations
- $\bullet \;$  Good data representation choices