ECE250 — Lab 3 Help Graphs and Kruskal's MST

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Before you start implementing project 3

Please review and make sure you have a clear understanding of the topics in the following lectures by Prof. Ladan:

- Lecture #24 Graph-Part A Adjacency Matrix and Adjacency List
- Lecture #26 MST 26
- Lecture #27 Disjoint Sets

Outline: Graphs and Kruskal's MST

- The driver program
- Representing the graph
 - Adjacency matrix or adjacency list
- Implementing graph operations:
 - Constructor, destructor, insert, clear, delete, edge_count, degree
- Calculate minimum spanning tree using Kruskal's algorithm
- Exception handling
- Disjoint Sets class

Guideline for your P3 driver program:

Let the driver program take care of **all input/output**. The driver must also catch all the exceptions.

In order to achieve this your class functions must be designed to return an indication of success/failure. The functions must throw exceptions where indicated by requirements.

Graph as matrix in C++

• For project 3, you will need to represent a weighted undirected graph.

• We consider the n nodes in the graph to be numbered from 0 to n-1. This means a graph with 4 nodes has nodes named 0, 1, 2 and 3. Each edge has a weight (a positive number of double type) associated with it.

• You can represent the graph as an adjacency matrix or an adjacency list. In this presentation, you will see some tips about implementing the graph as an adjacency matrix.

Graph as Adjacency Matrix in C++

- Class variables
- Constructor
- Accessing the element at position (i,j)
- Destructor

Class variables

```
class graph {
  private:

          double** adj; // array 2d
          int n_nodes;
          int n_edges;
          // any other variables you need
  public:
          // class functions ..
}
```

Constructor

```
graph::graph(int n) {
    // allocate memory for pointers to each row
    n_nodes = n;
    adj = new double * [n_nodes];
    // allocate memory for each row
    for ( int i = 0; i < n_nodes; ++i ) {
        adj[i] = new double[n_nodes];
    }
    init_empty_graph();
}</pre>
```

Constructor

```
void graph::init empty graph() {
  // initialize empty graph - all elements to infinity except diagonal is 0
    for ( int i = 0; i < n nodes; ++i ) {</pre>
           for ( int j = 0; j < n \text{ nodes}; ++j ) {
           adj[i][j] = INF;
                                                         Notice the notation to access position (i,j)
           adj[i][i] = 0.0;
   // any other initializations of class variables needed
Note: INF is a class constant declared as:
           const double Weighted graph::INF std::numeric limits<double>::infinity();
           You will need to add to your class an include for the library limits
           #include <limits>
```

Destructor

```
graph::~graph() {

    // delete memory for each row
    for ( int i = 0; i < n_nodes; ++i ) {
        delete [] adj[i];
    }

    // delete memory for pointers to each row
    delete [] adj;
}</pre>
```

- A class for the exception
- Exception throw
- Exception catch

A class for the exception

```
class invalid_argument {
    // empty class
};
```

Throwing exception

```
int graph::degree(int u) {
    if ( u < 0 || u >= n_nodes)
        throw invalid_argument();

    // return degree for node u
}
```

Catching exception in the driver program:

```
int n = 4;
graph g(n);
// read command for insert
// for this example, we try to insert and edge for u = 0, v = -5, w=10.0
try {
   g.insert(u,v,w);
catch (invalid argument) {
    cout << "invalid argument" << endl ;</pre>
catch(...) {
         std::cout << "Unknown exception " << std::endl;</pre>
```

Kruskal's MST algorithm

See Prof. Ladan's lectures 26 and 27 for to get full understanding of this algorithm.

Disjoint Sets class

You must write a Disjoint sets class for implementing the MST.

Disjoint sets is a well-known data structure for grouping *n* elements (nodes) into a collection of disjoint sets (connected components). You can read more information on disjoint sets from Chapter 21 of CLRS book.

We recommend that you write the disjoint sets class using linked lists.

Use of classes C++ libraries

You are **not allowed** to use classes from the C++ STL library for the implementation of the Disjoint Set class.

You can use the vector class for the graph representation and the operations on the graph (insert, update, clear, mst etc)

You can use functions from the standard C++ library, such as sort

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Resources

- Prof Ladan's lectures:
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• For the implementation of the graph - https://ece.uwaterloo.ca/~dwharder/aads/Lecture materials/#graph-algorithms (slides 1-32)

References

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