

Data structure and algorithm in Python

Graph

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Example : Graphs

A graph is a way of representing relationships that exist between pairs of objects. That is, a graph is a set of objects, called **vertices**, together with a collection of pairwise connections between them, called **edges**.

- A graph G is simply a set V of **vertices** and a collection E of pairs of vertices from V , called **edges**.
- A graph is a way of representing connections or relationships between pairs of objects from some set V .

Edges in a graph are either directed or undirected.

- An edge (u, v) is said to be directed from u to v if the pair (u, v) is ordered, with u preceding v .
- An edge (u, v) is said to be undirected if the pair (u, v) is not ordered.

Undirected edges are sometimes denoted with set notation, as $\{u, v\}$, but for simplicity we use the pair notation (u, v) , noting that in the undirected case (u, v) is the same as (v, u) .

Example : undirected, directed and mixed graph

- If all the edges in a graph are undirected, then we say the graph is an undirected graph.
- Likewise, a directed graph, also called a digraph, is a graph whose edges are all directed.
- A graph that has both directed and undirected edges is often called a mixed graph.

An undirected or mixed graph can be converted into a directed graph by replacing every undirected edge (u, v) by the pair of directed edges (u, v) and (v, u) .

- The two vertices joined by an edge are called the **end vertices (or endpoints)** of the edge.
- If an edge is directed, its first endpoint is its **origin** and the other is the **destination** of the edge.
- Two vertices u and v are said to be **adjacent** if there is an edge whose end vertices are u and v .

- An edge is said to be **incident** to a vertex if the vertex is one of the edge's endpoints.
- The **outgoing edges** of a vertex are the directed edges whose origin is that vertex.
- The **incoming edges** of a vertex are the directed edges whose destination is that vertex.

- The **degree** of a vertex v , denoted $\text{deg}(v)$, is the number of incident edges of v .
- The **in-degree** and **out-degree** of a vertex v are the number of the incoming and outgoing edges of v , and are denoted $\text{indeg}(v)$ and $\text{outdeg}(v)$, respectively.

- The definition of a graph refers to the group of edges as a **collection**, not a **set**, thus allowing two undirected edges to have the same end vertices, and for two directed edges to have the same origin and the same destination. Such edges are called **parallel edges** or **multiple edges**.
- Another special type of edge is one that connects a vertex to itself. Namely, we say that an edge (undirected or directed) is a **self-loop** if its two endpoints coincide.

- With few exceptions, graphs do not have parallel edges or self-loops. Such graphs are said to be **simple**.
- Thus, we can usually say that the edges of a simple graph are a set of vertex pairs (and not just a collection).

Throughout this chapter, we assume that a graph is simple unless otherwise specified.

- A **path** is a sequence of alternating vertices and edges that starts at a vertex and ends at a vertex such that each edge is incident to its predecessor and successor vertex.
 - A **cycle** is a path that starts and ends at the same vertex, and that includes at least one edge.
1. A path is simple if each vertex in the path is distinct.
 2. A cycle is simple if each vertex in the cycle is distinct, except for the first and last one.
 3. A directed path is a path such that all edges are directed and are traversed along their direction.
 4. A directed cycle is similarly defined.

- A directed graph is **acyclic** if it has no directed cycles.
- If a graph is simple, we may omit the edges when describing path P or cycle C , as these are well defined, in which case P is a list of adjacent vertices and C is a cycle of adjacent vertices.

- Given vertices u and v of a (directed) graph G , we say that u reaches v , and that v is reachable from u , if G has a (directed) path from u to v .
- In an undirected graph, the notion of reachability is symmetric, that is to say, u reaches v if and only if v reaches u .
- However, in a directed graph, it is possible that u reaches v but v does not reach u , because a directed path must be traversed according to the respective directions of the edges.

- A graph is **connected** if, for any two vertices, there is a path between them.
- A directed graph \vec{G} is **strongly connected** if for any two vertices u and v of \vec{G} , u reaches v and v reaches u .

- A **subgraph** of a graph G is a graph H whose vertices and edges are subsets of the vertices and edges of G , respectively.
- A **spanning subgraph** of G is a subgraph of G that contains all the vertices of the graph G .
- If a graph G is not connected, its **maximal connected subgraphs** are called the connected components of G .
- A **forest** is a graph without cycles.
- A **tree** is a connected forest, that is, a connected graph without cycles.
- A **spanning tree** of a graph is a spanning subgraph that is a tree.

Proposition

If G is a graph with m edges and vertex set \mathcal{V} , then

$$\sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \deg(v) = 2m.$$

Proposition

If G is a directed graph with m edges and vertex set \mathcal{V} , then

$$\sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \text{indeg}(v) = \sum_{v \in \mathcal{V}} \text{outdeg}(v) = m.$$

Proposition

Let G be a simple graph with n vertices and m edges.

- If G is undirected, then

$$m \leq \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$$

- If G is directed, then

$$m \leq n(n-1).$$

Proposition

Let G be a undirected graph with n vertices and m edges.

- If G is connected, then

$$m \geq n - 1.$$

- If G is a tree, then

$$m = n - 1.$$

- If G is a forest, then

$$m \leq n - 1.$$

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The Graph ADT

The Graph ADT

Since a graph is a collection of vertices and edges, we model the abstraction as a combination of three data types:

- Vertex
- Edge
- Graph

The Graph ADT

A **Veretex** is lightweight object that stores an arbitrary element provided by the user, supporting the method:

- `element()`: Retrieve the stored element.

The Graph ADT

An **Edge** stores an associated object, supporting the following methods:

- **element()**: Retrieve the stored element.
- **endpoints()**: Return a tuple (u, v) such that vertex u is the origin of the edge and vertex v is the destination; for an undirected graph, the orientation is arbitrary.
- **opposite(v)**: Assuming vertex v is one endpoint of the edge (either origin or destination), return the other endpoint.

The Graph ADT

The primary abstraction for a graph is the **Graph** ADT. We presume that a graph can be either undirected or directed, with the designation declared upon construction; recall that a mixed graph can be represented as a directed graph, modeling edge $\{u, v\}$ as a pair of directed edges (u, v) and (v, u) .

The Graph ADT

The Graph ADT includes the following methods

- `vertex_count()`: Return the number of vertices.
- `vertices()`: Return an iteration of all vertices.
- `edge_count()`: Return the number of edges.
- `edges()`: Return an iteration of all edges.
- `get_edge(u,v)`: Return the edge from vertex u to v , if one exists; otherwise return `None`.
- `degree(v, out=True)`: For an undirected graph, return the number of edges incident to vertex v . For a directed graph, return the number of outgoing (resp. incoming) edges incident to vertex v , as designated by the optional parameter.

The Graph ADT

- `incident_edges(v, out=True)`: Return an iteration of all edges incident to vertex v . In the case of a directed graph, report outgoing edges by default; report incoming edges if the optional parameter is set to `False`.
- `insert_vertex(x=None)`: Create and return a new Vertex storing element x .
- `insert_edge(u, v, x=None)`: Create and return a new Edge from vertex u to vertex v , storing element x (None by default).
- `remove_vertex(v)`: Remove vertex v and all its incident edges from the graph.
- `remove_edge(e)`: Remove edge e from the graph.