## CS1210 Lecture 33

## Nov. 8, 2021

- HW 7 due
- DS 9 available at the end of class, due Friday 8pm
- HW 8 available after class, due Thursday next week
  - you MAY NOT import any modules (such as Fraction) to help with HW8 Q1, the q1() function. Do the necessary basic math operations directly.
  - for buildWordGraph in DS9 and HW8, it should \*not\* take several minutes to build the graph for words5.txt. If it takes several minutes, you probably are using an O(n^3) algorithm rather than O(n^2), often because you use a linear time operation such as g.hasNode(...) inside the inner loop of your nested loops. (See slide 17 of this lecture)

#### Last time

- Intro to optimization algorithms, greedy algorithms
- Introduced graphs (the computer science/mathematical kind), not the charts you've been plotting with pylab

#### Today

- Graph representations
- Basic graph algorithms

#### Graphs and optimization problems based on graphs

- Many important real-world problems can be modeled as optimization problems on graphs
- A graph is:
  - A set of nodes (vertices)
  - A set of edges (arcs) representing connections between pairs of nodes
- There are several types of graphs:
  - **Directed**. Edges are "one way" from source to destination)
  - Undirected. Edges have no particular direction can travel either way, "see" each node from other, etc.
  - Weighted. Edges have associated numbers called weights that can be used to represent cost, time, flow capacity, etc.
- See, e.g., Ch. 2 of free online book Think Complexity <u>http://</u> <u>greenteapress.com/complexity/html/thinkcomplexity003.html</u>



Directed graph

- edges are "one way" from source to destination
- Can have two (one each way) between a pair of nodes
- Node can have edge to self
- Example relationships:
  - course prerequisite
  - hyperlink between web pages
  - street between intersections
  - Twitter follower
  - Infection spread from-to





#### Undirected graph

- Edges have no direction. Can "travel" either direction
- Can have only one edge between a pair of nodes\*
- Node cannot have edge to self
- Example relationships:
  - Facebook friend
  - Bordering countries/states





\*another kind of graph – multigraph – relaxes this rule

## Weighted graphs

- Variant of both directed and undirected graphs in which each edge has an associate number called a weight or cost
- Edge weight provides additional information about the relationship between the nodes.
- Example relationships:
  - Airfare between two cities
  - Distance between two cities
  - Flow capacity of oil/water pipeline between two points
  - Network bandwidth between two ISP nodes





## Classic graph problems

- Determine if a graph has a cycle, a path that loops back to start points (e.g. 2-4-5-3-2)
- Find a path (non-branching) that traverses each (undirected) edge exactly once
  - Leonhard Euler and the Bridges of Königsberg
  - Not possible in graph on top right
- Find the shortest path between source s and destination
  - Different algorithms for weighted/unweighted graphs
- Find longest path between source and destination
- Find a path that visits each vertex exactly once
  - A, E, D, C, F, B, A in example on bottom right
- Path of minimum cost that visits each vertex once
  - A, E, D, C, B, F, A (cost 15) in example
- Assign no more than n different colors to vertices under constraint that no pair of connected vertices has the same color

# Some of these are easy (have fast algorithms), others hard (no known efficient solution)



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## Representing graphs

- How can we represent general graph in Python?
  - Need to keep track of nodes
  - Need to keep track of edges
- Several ways to represent graphs have been developed
  - List of nodes and list of edges
  - Adjacency matrix
  - Adjacency lists
  - Dictionary of dictionaries
  - Efficiency of algorithms that solve graph problems can vary greatly depending on how graph are representated
  - a strong influence on choice is the fact that one of the most common things needed in graph algorithms is access to immediate neighbors of a node (nodes that are destinations of edges for which "current" node is source)

# Adjacency matrix



- Appealingly simple to understand and implement
- Use, e.g. a list of lists containing True/False, 0/1, or similar
- NOT the most common graph representation for most problems. Can you think of a reason why?
  - Consider representing Facebook friends graph where each node is a FB user and an edge exists between two nodes whenever the two are FB friends.
  - One billion nodes. Adjacency matrix 1B x 1B in size! Your computer doesn't have that much storage. But FB graph *can* be represented in computer! How?
  - The 1B x 1B would be mostly False/0 most people don't have huge number of friends. Should be representable in closer to 1B \* median number of friends. Other representations enable this huge memory savings.

# Adjacency list

Use a dictionary with

- Nodes as keys
- Values are lists of neighbor nodes



Compared to adjacency matrix:

+ Much less space (when, as is common, most nodes have only a small relatively small number of neighbors). Facebook graph. People have hundreds of friends, not many milliions

- Query of "does edge (i,j) exist?" not O(1). Must search list associated with node i to see if j is there. Turns out this is not crucial in many graph algorithms. (could address this using dictionary of dictionaries but often not necessary)

## Adjacency list graph representation

Suitable for both undirected and directed graphs (and can be use for weighted graphs as well)



An **adjacency list** representation for undirected graphs in Python

### Two classes: Node and Graph

basicgraph.py

Node

- properties:
  - name : string
  - status: string (we'll use this to "mark" nodes during traversals)
- methods
  - getName
  - \_\_repr\_\_: we'll print nodes as <*name*>

Note: in your HW8 you'll add one or more additional properties that help with traversing/walking through graphs to solve specific problems Adjacency list representation for undirected graphs Graph

- properties
  - nodes: a list of Node objects

basicgraph.py

- adjacencyLists: a dictionary with all nodes as keys. The value associated with a key n1 (where n1 is a node) is a list of all the nodes, n2, for which (n1,n2) is an edge.
- methods
  - addNode(node) : nodes must be added to graphs before edges
  - addEdge(node1, node2) : presumes both nodes in graph already
  - neighborsOf(node) : returns list of neighboring nodes
  - getNode(name)
  - hasNode(node)
  - hasEdge(node1, node2) : return T if edge node1-node2 in graph
  - \_ \_\_repr\_\_\_



#### This graph is generated by genDemoGraph() in basicGraph.py

Note: for exams, you need to be able to 1) draw graph given adjacency list dictionary, and/or 2) show adjacency list dictionary given graph drawing



As I've said, many real-world problems can be represented as problems involving graphs. The algorithms to solve those problems often involve **graph traversals**, organized exploration or "walkthroughs" of the graph.

Two famous ones are: depth-first search and breadth-first search. I will present breadth-first search.

You will not be responsible for knowing the details of breadth-first search (for exam purposes) but you need to understand it well enough to *use and extend* it in HW8.

### Word ladder puzzles

CAT	CAT	CAT
???	СОТ	COT
???	???	DOT
DOG	DOG	DOG

Find 3-letter English words for ??? Positions. Each must differ from previous and next word in only one location

This problem is easily representable and solvable using graphs!

## DS9 buildWordGraph

Be careful in buildWordGraph - what is potentially slow about this?

for w1 in wordList: n1 = g.getNode(w1) for w2 in wordList: n2 = g.getNode(w2) If shouldHaveEdge(w1, w2): g.addEdge(getNode(w1), getNode(w2))

Instead, recommend organizing as

for n1 in g.nodes:

for n2 in g.nodes:

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If shouldHaveEdge(n1.getName(), n2.getName())
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g.addEdge(n1, n2)
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Better yet:

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for i in range (len(g.nodes)):
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n1 = g.nodes[I]
for j in range(i, len(g.nodes)):
 n2 = g.nodes[j]

- This has two problems: 1) error because
- 2) very slow because ?

Note: fixes problem 2 above

<-- : You could address problem 1 here with and 'if ...'

Note: fixes both problems

## Next time

- Graph traversals
  - Breadth first search
  - Depth first search
- HW 8