Graphs & Trees

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General Graphs

- Nodes (Objects) can have more than one reference.
- Example: think of implementing a Class "Person"
- Each Person has a list of friends, which are also of the same "Person" class.
- A "Social Network"



Graphs

- We generally think of the structure of these as a general (directed) Graph G=(V,E)
- V is called the set of Nodes or Vertices
- $E \subseteq V \times V$ is called the set of Links, or Edges

 $(v_1, v_2) \in E$ If and only if object $v_1 \in V$ has a link to $v_2 \in V$



Paths

- A Path in the graph (of length n) is a sequence of vertices $P = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$ such that
- $\forall i \in \{1, 2..., n\}$ $v_i \in V$
- $\forall i \in \{1, 2..., n-1\} \ (v_i, v_{i+1}) \in E$



Traversing general graphs

 Suppose we wish to visit all nodes in a graph and print their data (only once!)

• How do we do this?

class Node: def __init__(self,data=None): self.data = data self.neighbors = set()

def add_edge(self_other):
 self.neighbors.add(other)

First attempt

def visit all from(node):

print(node.data)
for neighbor in node.neighbors:
 visit all from(neighbor)



```
nodes = [Node(i) for i in range (5)]
nodes[0].add edge(nodes[1])
nodes[0].add edge(nodes[2])
nodes[1].add edge(nodes[2])
nodes[2].add edge(nodes[3])
print("*** From Node 0:")
visit all from(nodes[0])
print("\n*** From Node 4:")
visit all from(nodes[4])
```



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What went wrong?
What if we had a loop in the graph?
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Fixing the problem

```
def visit_all_from(node):
    visited = set()
    _visit_helper(node,visited)
```

def _visit_helper(node,visited):
 if node in visited:
 return

```
visited.add(node)
print(node.data)
for neighbor in node.neighbors:
    _visit_helper(neighbor,visited)
```



| <pre>nodes = [Node(i) for i in range_(5)]</pre> | *** From Node 0: |
|--|-----------------------|
| <pre>nodes[0].add_edge(nodes[1]) nodes[0].add_edge(nodes[2]) nodes[1].add_edge(nodes[2]) nodes[2].add_edge(nodes[3])</pre> | 0 2 3 1 |
| <pre>print("*** From Node 0:") visit_all_from(nodes[0]) print("\n*** From Node 4:") visit_all_from(nodes[4])</pre> | *** From Node 4: 4 |

Trees

 Directed Rooted Trees are one particularly useful class of Graphs.

- They have a special node called "the root"
- There is exactly one path of from the root to every other node in the tree.
 - No Cycles!



Tree Terminology

- A node that is directly linked from v is often called a child of v (and v is called the parent)
 - Example: 6,7 are children of 3

- A Node that has no outgoing links is called a Leaf.
 - Example: 4,6,7,8 are all leaves



Tree Terminology

- The height of a node is the length of its path from the root (the root is of height 0).
- Example: Node 5 has height 2.
- The height of the tree is the length of the longest path.
- Example: the tree here has height 3 (due to the path to node 8)



Example: Trees that represent expressions

 One thing to naturally represent with trees is mathematical expressions:



- Leaves are all literals, internal nodes are operators
- Notice that the order of the children matters

In Python





Computing the value of an expression

```
def compute(root):
    if root.data == "+":
        return compute(root.left)+compute(root.right)
    elif root.data == "*":
        return compute(root.left)*compute(root.right)
    elif root.data == "/":
        return compute(root.left)/compute(root.right)
    elif root.data == "-":
        return compute(root.left)-compute(root.right)
    else:
        return float(root.data)
```

Printing the expression



Polish Notation

- Polish notation (also called prefix notation) is just a different way to write mathematical expressions
- The operator is always written to the left.
- Instead of (2+3) write: (+ 2 3)
- We never need parentheses when writing this way. Order of operations is always well defined:

+ x 3 4 - 2 5 (+ (x 3 4) (- 2 5))

In "regular" notation: (3 x 4) + (2-5)

Traversing a tree

The order of visiting a tree can be defined (recursively)

- Pre order: print the root, then print the subtrees
 - Example: when we were printing an expr in polish notation
- In order: left subtree, root, right subtree
 Example: when we were printing a "regular expression"
- Post order: print the subtrees, then the root
 Example: reverse polish notation

(Extra) Parsing Polish Notation

```
def _p_polish_helper(polish_expr):
    if polish_expr[0] in ("+","-","*","/"):
        arg1, remainder = _p_polish_helper(polish_expr[1:])
        arg2, remainder = _p_polish_helper(remainder)
        return TreeNode(polish_expr[0], arg1, arg2), remainder
    else:
        return TreeNode(polish_expr[0]), polish_expr[1:]
def parse_polish(text):
    tree, leftovers = _p_polish_helper(text.split(" "))
```

if leftovers:

print("There were extra symbols left over.")
return tree

Trees – Twenty Questions

Does it have four legs? y Is it really large? y Is it an elephant? n I guessed wrong.

What did you have in mind? a rhino Please enter a question to differentiate between an elephant and a rhino: does it have a horn? an elephant. does it have a horn? n

Do you want to play again? y





```
def get_yes_no_answer(question):
    while True:
        answer = input(question + " ")
        if answer == YES:
            return True
        elif answer == NO:
            return False
        else:
            print_("I did not understand.")
```

class Question: def __init__(self,question_text, yes_answer=None, no_answer=None): self.__question_text = question_text self.__on_yes_answer = yes_answer self.__on_no_answer = no_answer

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def ask_question(self):
    if self.__on_yes_answer is not None:
        if get_yes_no_answer(self.__question_text):
            self.__on_yes_answer.ask_question()
        else:
            self.__on_no_answer.ask_question()
    else:
            if get_yes_no_answer("is it " + self.__question_text + "?"):
                print("I knew it!")
        else:
                print("I guessed wrong.")
                self.__add_new_question()
```

```
def play_twenty_questions():
    root_question = Question("a sparrow")
    print("Let's play twenty questions. Think of something...")
    print("I'll guess it!")
    root_question.ask_question()
    while get_yes_no_answer("\n\nDo you want to play again?"):
        root_question.ask_question()
```

print("\n\nHere are all the possible answers entered into the game:")
root_question.print_all_answers()

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if __name__ == "__main__":
    play_twenty_questions()
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def print_all_answers(self): if self.__on_yes_answer is None: print(self.__question_text) else: self.__on_no_answer.print_all_answers() self.__on_yes_answer.print_all_answers()