

Exercise Set 6: Graph Algorithms

Exercise 6.1 The goal of this exercise is to learn to represent a graph as a data structure.

The graph structure is defined as follows.

- A **Graph** class is a hashtable of **Nodes**. Use the **data Object** as the *key* - see below.
- A **Node** is a structure consisting of **Object data** and **Edges edgelist**.
- **Edges** is a list (or other collection) of **Edges**.
- **Edge** is a structure consisting of a **Node start**, a **Node finish**, and distance given as integer.

1. Draw the UML diagram of the graph data structure.
2. Implement the method **getNodes** for the class **Graph**, which creates the hashtable of **Nodes** using a given **IRange** iterator. Make sure the hashtable does not have duplicate entries.
3. Implement the method **addEdge**, which adds an edge to the graph, given the start and end **Object** and the distance.
4. Implement the method **addEdges**, which adds edges to the graph, using the given **IRange** iterator.
5. Implement the **iterator()** method for the class **Graph**, which returns an iterator for traversing over the graph nodes.
6. Implement the **iterator()** method for the class **Node**, which returns an iterator for traversing over the edges adjacent to this node.
7. Verify your work by displaying a graph of cities using the **GraphDisplay** class.

Exercise 6.2 The goal of this exercise is to implement some basic graph algorithms.

The **GraphAlgorithms** class contains the following member data:

- **FringeQueue fringeQueue** that contains the **Edges** on the fringe, organized as stack, queue, or one of two possible priority queues.
- **HashMap fringeHash** that contains the **Nodes** on the fringe.
- **HashMap visited** that contains the visited **Nodes**.
- **Graph graph**, the graph on which the algorithm is performed.
- **Graph result**, the graph of relevant edges for the result.

- Node `start`, the node where the algorithm starts.
 - Node `target`, the node which is the target of the algorithm.
1. Define the `GraphAlgorithms` class and implement the constructor which takes the graph, the `start` and `target` Node, and the `fringeQueue` as arguments.
 2. Define the method `initialize`, which inserts the `start` Node into the `fringeHash`, and also into the `fringeQueue` with distance 0 and the `finish` Node being the same as `start` Node.
 3. Define the method `processNode`, as follows:
 - If the `fringeQueue` is not empty, remove the Edge `current` from the `fringeQueue` - otherwise stop and return.
 - Remove `finish` Node in the current Edge from the `fringeHash`.
 - Insert `finish` Node in the current Edge into visited.
 - Add `finish` Node in the current Edge and Edge `current` into result.
 - Define an Iterator for the current Node.
 - Process each Edge from the `Edges` list for the current Node using `processEdge` method described below.
 4. Define the method `processEdge`, as follows:
 - Get the `target` Node to be the `finish` Node in the Edge object.
 - If `target` is in the `visited`, stop and return.
 - Insert the Edge object into the `fringeQueue`.
 - Insert the `target` Node into the `fringeHash`.
 5. Define the `perform` method as follows:
 - Invoke `initialize` method.
 - While the `fringeQueue` is not empty, invoke `processNode` method.
 - Return `result`.
 6. Define the `getPath` method, which for a given `start` and `finish` Nodes returns a list of edges leading from `start` to `finish` in the `result` Graph.