Lecture 15: Drawing General Graphs I

COSC 225: Algorithms and Visualization Spring, 2023

Announcements

- 1. Assignment 07 posted, due Friday
- 2. Assignment 08 posted soon, due next Friday
- 3. Final Projects
 - work with partner 🗲
 - topic: open-ended
 - requirement: build an interactive site with a significant algorithmic component

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- 4. Limited OH This Week (advising week)
 - Short OH today
 - No OH on Thursday –



Outline

- 1. Drawing General Graphs
- 2. Circular Layouts
 - Mäkinen
 - AVSDF

Last Time: Drawing Trees I Greedy Layout



Last Time: Drawing Trees II Knuth Layout



Last Time: Drawing Trees III Tidy Layout



Today Drawing general graphs Input: set of vertices edges between vertices Output: positions for vertices (how to draw edges too)

Warmup Activity

Draw a graph with the following adjacency lists

1:	6,	4,	7	
2:	8,	5,	3	
3:	6,	2,	4	
4:	5,	3,	1	
5:	4,	2,	7	
6:	1,	3,	8	
7:	5,	8,	1	
8:	2,	6,	7	

Random Layout



What Does Graph Look Like?



More Generally

What might we want in a graph layout?

- no crossing edges if possible! - even lengths of edges ~ vertices spread out - Osdering Of vertices (calegories) - hierarchy

Desiderata

From Fruchterman and Reingold (1991):

- 1. Distribute the vertices evenly in the frame.
- 2. Minimize edge crossings.
- 3. Make edge lengths uniform.
- 4. Reflect inherent symmetry.
- 5. Conform to the frame.

Interesting Question

Which graphs can be drawn without any edge crossings?

• such graphs are called **planar graphs**





Minimal Non-planar Graphs





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Algorithmic Results

There are efficient algorithms for

- 1. detecting if a graph is planar
- 2. drawing a planar graph without edge crossings, e.g.:
 - Auslander-Parter 1961
 - Lempel-Even-Cederbaum 1967
 - ..

Implementing one would make an awesome final project!

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More precisely. The following problem is NP-complete

- *Input:* A graph G and a natural number k
- *Output:* "yes" if G can be drawn with at most k crossings, and "no" otherwise

General Graph Drawing

Focus on *heuristics*

- do not *guarantee* that output minimized edge crossings, etc
- nonetheless have reasonably good results for the graphs we care about
- typically "simple" procedures

Two (of many) Approaches

- 1. Circular Layouts (today)
 - fix vertices lie on a circle
 - pick an ordering of vertices to illustrate some graph features
- 2. Physical simulation layouts (Wednesday)
 - force-directed graphs
 - adjacent vertices attract each other (somewhat)
 - non-adjacent vertices repel each other
 - simulate physical system to determine vertex placement

Circular Layouts

Progression I: Random



Progression II: Circular



Progression III: AVSDF



Adjaceat Vertex Smallest Degree First

Starting Point

Framework from graph/DFS demos

- Graph object stores lists of vertices/edges
- Vertex object stores adjacency list (neighbors), has x, y
- Edge object represents a pair of vertices
- GraphVisualizer moderates interactions between site and Graph instance
 - draws vertices/edges
 - responds to user interactions

Adding Interactions

Previously:

- click to add vertices
- click pair of vertices to add edge

Added:

- hover to highlight a vertex and its neighbors
- demo: lec15-graph-drawing.zip

Implementing Hover Interactions Added event listener to each vertex element



Circular Embeddings

Setup: Graph with *n* vertices. How to set locations on a circle?



Circular Embedding in Code



Simplified Problem

Now that we can draw vertices evenly around a circle, we can focus on the order in which to add vertices

- which ordering minimizes edge crossings?
 - no easier than general problem!
- which ordering is most informative?
- which ordering looks nice?

Mäkinen Heuristic

Basic idea:

- split vertices into left and right sets
- vertices with more left neighbors placed on left side
 - sim for right side



Mäkinen Procedure

- 1. Find two vertices of highest degree and add them to left/right sets
- 2. Repeat until all vertices are added to left or right:
 - compute (right neighbors) (left neighbors) for each vertex
 - add vertex with largest value to right
 - add vertex with smallest value to left
- 3. Add left vertices on left side, right on right side

Mäkinen Example





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Data Structures



Initialization

```
vertices.sort((u, v) => {
    return u.degree() - v.degree();
});
```

// two highest degree vertices go on left and right sides
let left = vertices[n-1];
leftPlaced.push(left);
placed[left.id] = true;
let right = vertices[n-2];
rightPlaced.push(right);
placed[right.id] = true;

Main Loop I



```
Main Loop II
```

```
// set right and left to be the vertices maximizing and
// minimizing (respectively) the quantity rightCount -
// leftCount
for (let vtx of vertices) {
    if (/* most right - left nbrs */) {
        right = vtx;
    }
    if (/* least right - left nbrs */) {
        left = vtx;
    }}
```

What is Overall Running Time? Assume graph has *n* vertices, *m*

See Demo

AVSDF Heuristic

Adjacent Vertex Smallest Degree First

• He & Sykora

Idea:

- perform depth-first search, starting from vertex of minimal degree
- always explore minimum degree neighbor first

AVSDF Example

1:	2,	6 ,	3,	5
2:	1,	3,	5,	6
3:	1,	2,	6	
4:	2,	5		
5:	1,	2,	4	
6:	1,	3		

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AVSDF Initialization

```
const order = [];
const stack = [];
const vertices = this.graph.vertices;
const n = vertices.length;
const placed = new Array(n).fill(false);
vertices.sort((u, v) => {
    return u.degree() - v.degree();
});
```

```
stack.push(vertices[0]);
```

Main Loop

```
while (stack.length > 0) {
  let vtx = stack.pop();
  if (!placed[vtx.id]) {
    order.push(vtx);
    placed[vtx.id] = true;
    vtx.neighbors.sort((u, v) => {
       return v.degree() - u.degree();
    });
    for (let nbr of vtx.neighbors) {
       if (!placed[nbr.id]) { stack.push(nbr); }
    }
}}
```

Running Time of Main Loop?

When Will Algorithm Fail?

AVSDF Demo

Next Time Force-directed layout