Algorithms: Assignment 7

Due date: November 2 (Thursday)

Problem 1 (4 points)

Write algorithms for converting (a) an adjacency-list representation of a graph into an adjacency matrix and (b) an adjacency matrix into adjacency lists. Give the time complexity of your algorithms.

Problem 2 (6 points)

Consider a directed graph with n vertices, represented by an adjacency matrix M[1..n, 1..n]. A vertex is called a sink if it has (n-1) incoming edges and no outgoing edges; note that the graph can have at most one sink.

Give an algorithm that finds the sink vertex and returns its number; if the graph has no sink, it should return 0. The running time of your algorithm should be O(n); if you write a slower algorithm, you will get only 2 points.

Problem 3 (bonus)

This problem is optional, and it allows you to get 2 bonus points toward your final grade.

Consider the following recurrence:

$$C_0 = 0$$

$$C_n = 3 \cdot C_{n-1} + \frac{3^n}{n \cdot (n+1)} \quad \text{(where } n \ge 1\text{)}$$

Give a formula for C_n in terms of n, without the use of recurrence. You need to provide an exact formula, rather than a Θ -notation.