

# Prelim coverage

There's a prelim in class on March 6.

- The review session is March 5, 7 PM, Upson 207

You're responsible for everything we've cover up to the end of this lecture:

- Big-O,  $\Theta$  (Chapter 2.1)
- Solving recurrences using the Master Theorem
- Stacks, queues, and linked lists
- Hashing
- Binary Search Trees
- Priority Queues and Heaps
- Skip List + Union-Find
- Intro to Graph Algorithms (up to BFS)

You need to know

- advantages/disadvantages of various methods:
  - e.g., hashing with chaining vs. open addressing
- how to implement basic operations (insert, delete, search, etc.) on standard data structures.

# Graph Algorithms

Review Section 5.4 (pp. 86–91).

Recall a graph  $G$  consists of vertices  $V$  and edges  $E$

- We write  $G = (V, E)$  or  $G(V, E)$

I will presume you know about:

- directed graphs vs. undirected graphs
- the degree (indegree, outdegree) of a vertex
- the length of a path
- reachability
- connected components
- subgraph (induced by  $V'$ )
- complete graph

Will now consider some basic graph algorithms

- will deal data structure and representation issues much more than in CS280

# Sparse vs. Dense Graphs

Note that if  $G = (V, E)$ , then  $0 \leq |E| \leq |V|^2$ .

- a graph is *dense* if  $|E| = \Omega(|V|^2)$
- a graph is *sparse* if  $|E| \ll |V|^2$  (typically  $O(|V|)$ )

# Representing Graphs

What's the best way of representing a graph?

- depends on whether the graph is sparse or dense

There are two standard ways of representing graphs.

1. *adjacency-list representation*:

- Use an array  $Adj$  of  $|V|$  lists
- list  $Adj[u]$  consist of all  $v$  such that  $(u, v) \in E$
- $|Adj[u]| = (\text{out})\text{degree}(u)$
- $\sum_{u \in V} |Adj[u]| = |E|$  for directed graphs
- $\sum_{u \in V} |Adj[u]| = 2|E|$  for undirected graphs
- memory required =  $O(\max(V, E)) = O(V + E)$
- can easily represent weighted graphs

2. *adjacency-matrix representation*

- assume vertices are numbered  $1, \dots, |V|$
- use a  $|V| \times |V|$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i, j) \in E \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- can also easily represent weighted graphs
- requires  $O(|V|^2)$  *bits* of storage
  - vs.  $O(|V| + |E|)$  *words* for adjacency list

# Breadth-First Search

Idea: starting at a vertex  $s$  (the *source*) in  $G(V, E)$ , systematically explore  $G$ :

- start with vertices closest to  $s$  and work out
- the search produces a “breadth-first tree”, with  $s$  at the root
- if  $v$  is reachable from  $s$ , the path from  $s$  to  $v$  in the tree is the shortest path from  $s$  to  $v$  in  $G$

If we don't reach the whole graph starting from  $s$ , then start over at another vertex.

# Breadth-First Search Algorithm

Idea of the algorithm:

- Start at some vertex  $s$
- Vertices are colored:
  - white vertices – not yet “discovered”
  - gray vertices – discovered, neighbors not checked
  - black – discovered + neighbors checked
- algorithm uses a (FIFO) queue  $Q$  to manage the gray vertices
- initially only  $s$  gray
- For each gray vertex  $v$ 
  - visit all its neighbors
  - if they were white, color them gray
  - then color  $v$  black
- array  $color$  is used to keep track of the color
- for later applications, keep track of
  - $d[u]$  – distance from  $u$  to  $s$
  - $\pi[u]$  – parent of  $u$  in breadth-first tree

BFS( $G$ )

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1  for each vertex  $u \in V(G)$ 
2      do  $color[u] \leftarrow \text{WHITE}$ 
3           $\pi[u] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$ 
4  for each vertex  $u \in V(G)$ 
5      if  $color[u] = \text{WHITE}$ 
6          then BFS-SEARCH( $u$ )
```

BFS-SEARCH( $s$ )

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1   $color[s] \leftarrow \text{GRAY}$ 
2   $d[s] = 0$ 
3   $Q \leftarrow \{s\}$ 
4  while  $Q \neq \emptyset$ 
5      do  $u \leftarrow head[Q]$ 
6          for each  $v \in Adj[u]$ 
              ( $Adj[u] = \{v : (u, v) \in E\}$ )
7              if  $color[v] = \text{WHITE}$ 
8                  then  $color[v] \leftarrow \text{GRAY}$ 
9                       $d[v] \leftarrow d[u] + 1$ 
10                      $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
11                     ENQUEUE( $Q, v$ )
12             DEQUEUE( $Q$ )
13              $color[u] \leftarrow \text{BLACK}$ 
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# Running Time of BFS

Initialization (lines 1–4) takes time  $O(|V|)$

- must initialize *color*, *d*,  $\pi$  for all vertices

Each vertex gets ENQUEUED at most once

- only vertices that have just changed from white to gray get ENQUEUED
- once a vertex becomes gray, it never changes back to white
  - it can't get ENQUEUED again

Each vertex gets DEQUEUED at most once.

Each edge  $(u, v)$  is processed at most twice at line 6 of BFS-SEARCH:

- once for  $u$ , once for  $v$

Running time is  $O(|V| + |E|)$  using the adjacency-list representation.



## Properties of BFS

Let  $\delta_G(u, v)$  be the *shortest-path* distance from  $u$  to  $v$  in  $G$ :

- minimum number of edges on a path from  $u$  to  $v$

**Theorem:** After running `BFS-SEARCH( $s$ )`, for every vertex  $v$  reachable from  $s$  is visited and  $d[v] = \delta(s, v)$ ; for  $v \neq s$ ,  $\pi[v]$  is the predecessor of  $v$  on a shortest path from  $s$  to  $v$ .

- This is true for both directed and undirected graphs.

This seems almost obvious from the construction of the algorithm, but we need to be careful when we do a formal proof ...

**Lemma 1:** Suppose at some point in `BFS-SEARCH`[ $s$ ],  $Q = [v_0, \dots, v_k]$ . Then there is some  $i, j$  such that  $d[v_0] = \dots = d[v_j] = i$ ,  $d[v_{j+1}] = \dots = d[v_k] = i + 1$ .

**Proof:** This is true initially (when  $Q = \{s\}$ ).

The property is maintained after each pass through the loop:

- when we process  $v_0$ , we add white neighbors  $u$  of  $v_0$  to the end of  $Q$ , with  $d[u] = d[v_0] + 1$ .

**Lemma 2:** If we enqueue  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_k$  (in that order), then  $d[v_1] \leq d[v_2] \leq \dots$

**Proof:** Immediate from Lemma 1.

**Lemma 3:** Every vertex that is “discovered” (colored gray in line 8) is reachable from  $s$ .

**Proof:** Show that this property is maintained on each iteration of the loop. (Formally, by induction on the  $k$ , show property holds on  $k$ th iteration of loop.)

**Proof of Theorem:** By Lemma 3, if  $\delta(s, v) = \infty$ , then  $v$  is not discovered.

If  $\delta(s, v) = k < \infty$ , then we prove by induction on  $k$  then there is a point in BFS-SEARCH( $s$ ) when we

- color  $v$  gray
- set  $d[v] = k$
- put  $v$  into  $Q$
- if  $s \neq v$ , then  $(\pi[v], v) \in E$  and  $d[\pi[v]] = k - 1$

Base case:  $v = s$  — OK.

Inductive step: Suppose  $\delta(s, v) = k + 1$ .

- Exists  $u$  such that  $\delta(s, u) = k$  and  $(u, v) \in E$ .
- If  $\delta(s, u') < k$ , then  $(u', v) \notin E$ .

Induction assumption  $\Rightarrow u$  is ENQUEUED,  $d[u] = k$ . We must discover  $v$  while processing  $u$ , if we haven't discovered it already.

Suppose we discover  $v$  while processing  $u'$ .

- Either  $u' = u$  or we process  $u'$  before  $u$
- By Lemma 2,  $d[u'] \leq d[u]$  ( $\Rightarrow d[u'] \leq k$ )
- Since  $\delta(s, v) = k + 1$ , can't have  $\delta(s, u') < k$ .
- Thus,  $d(u') = k$ ,  $d(v) = k + 1$ ,  $\pi(v) = u'$ .

## Breadth-First Trees

Let  $E_\pi = \{(\pi[v], v) : v \in V, \pi[v] \neq \text{NIL}\}$

- $E_\pi \subseteq E$

**Proposition:** BFS( $G$ ) constructs  $\pi$  so that  $G_\pi = (V, E_\pi)$  is a forest (set of disjoint trees), whose roots are the vertices  $s$  for which we call BFS-SEARCH( $s$ ). Moreover, if  $s$  is the root of a tree, then  $v$  is in the tree iff  $v$  is reachable from  $s$ , and the path from  $s$  to  $v$  in the tree is a minimal length path from  $s$  to  $v$  in  $G$ .

Note that this gives us another way of computing the connected components of  $G$  if  $G$  is undirected.

# Depth-First Search

This time we search a graph by following a path as long as possible, then backtracking.

- We use a stack instead of a queue to keep track of gray edges

As we discover vertex  $u$ , we timestamp it:

- We timestamp twice:
  - once when we first discover  $v$ :  $d[v]$
  - again when we're done with  $v$ 's adjacency list:  $f[v]$
  - $v$  is white before  $d[v]$ , gray between  $d[v]$  and  $f[v]$ , black after  $f[v]$

DFS( $G$ )

```
1  for each vertex  $u \in V(G)$ 
2      do  $color[u] \leftarrow \text{WHITE}$ 
3           $\pi[u] \leftarrow \text{NIL}$ 
4   $time \leftarrow 1$ 
5  for each vertex  $u \in V(G)$ 
6      do if  $color[u] = \text{WHITE}$ 
7          then DFS-VISIT( $u$ )
```

DFS-VISIT( $u$ )

```
1   $color[u] \leftarrow \text{GRAY}$ 
2   $d[u] \leftarrow time$ 
3   $time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
4  for each  $v \in Adj[u]$ 
5      do if  $color[v] = \text{WHITE}$ 
6          then  $\pi[v] \leftarrow u$ 
7              DFS-VISIT( $v$ )
8   $color[u] \leftarrow \text{BLACK}$ 
9   $f[u] \leftarrow time$ 
10  $time \leftarrow time + 1$ 
```

## Running Time of DFS

Initialization (lines 1–3) takes time  $O(|V|)$ .

We call DFS-VISIT at most once for each  $u \in V$ .

- We call DFS-VISIT[ $u$ ] only when  $u$  is white
- $u$  is colored gray as soon as we call DFS-VISIT[ $u$ ]

The total cost of lines 2–5 of DFS-VISIT[ $u$ ] is  $O(|Adj[u]|)$ .

The total cost of lines 2–5 of all calls of DFS-VISIT is

$$\sum_{u \in V} O(|Adj[u]|) = O(|E|).$$

Total cost of DFS is  $O(|V| + |E|)$  (for the adjacency-list representation).

- it would be  $O(|V|^2)$  for the adjacency-matrix representation

## Parenthesis Structure

**Proposition:** DFS( $G$ ) constructs  $\pi$  so that  $G_\pi = (V, E_\pi)$  is a forest whose roots are the vertices  $s$  for which we call DFS-VISIT( $s$ ).

The start times and finish times for vertices  $u$  form a *parenthesis structure*

- either  $[[d[u], f[u]]$  is contained in  $[[d[v], f[v]]$ , or they are disjoint.



**Parenthesis Theorem:** After running  $\text{DFS}(G)$ , for any vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in  $V(G)$ , either

- $[d[u], f[u]]$  and  $[d[v], f[v]]$  are disjoint
  - $[d[u], f[u]] \cap [d[v], f[v]] = \emptyset$
- $[d[u], f[u]] \subset [d[v], f[v]]$  and  $u$  is a descendant of  $v$  in some tree of the depth-first forest
- $[d[v], f[v]] \subset [d[u], f[u]]$  and  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$  in some tree of the depth-first forest

**Proof:** Can't have  $d[u] = d[v]$

- whichever one is discovered first must have smaller start time

Suppose  $d[u] < d[v]$

- if  $d[v] < f[u]$ ,  $v$  is discovered while  $u$  is still gray
  - must be running  $\text{DFS-VISIT}(u)$
  - $v$  is a descendant of  $u$
  - $f(v) < f(u)$
- if  $d(v) > f(u)$ , intervals must be disjoint

Similar argument if  $d[v] < d[u]$ .

**Corollary:**  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$  in the depth-first forest iff  $d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]$ .

**White Path Theorem:**  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$  in the depth-first forest iff when  $u$  is discovered, there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$  consisting of only white vertices.

**Proof:** If  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$ , let  $w$  be any vertex on the path from  $u$  to  $v$  in the depth-first forest.

- By previous corollary,  $d[w] > d[u]$ .
- So  $w$  must be white at  $d[u]$  ( $w$  turns gray at  $d[w]$ ).

So there is a path of white vertices from  $u$  to  $v$  at time  $d[u]$ .

Conversely, if there is a path from  $u$  to  $v$  consisting of only white vertices of length  $k$ , we prove by induction on  $k$  that  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$ . If  $k = 1$ :

- Algorithm guarantees that we must discover  $v$  before  $f[u]$ .
- $d[u] < d[v] < f[v] < f[u]$  (Parenthesis Theorem)
- By Corollary,  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$ .

If  $k = k' + 1$ , consider predecessor  $w$  of  $v$  on the path.

- $w$  is a descendant of  $u$  (induction hyp.)
- By Corollary,  $d[u] < d[w] < f[w] < f[u]$ .
- Must have  $d[v] < f[w]$ .
- By Parenthesis Theorem,  $f[v] < f[w] < f[u]$ .
- By Corollary,  $v$  is a descendant of  $u$ .

# Topological Sort

A *dag* (directed acyclic graph) is a directed graph with no cycles.

A *topological sort* of a dag  $G = (V, E)$  is a linear ordering of the vertices in  $V$  such that if  $(u, v) \in E$ , then  $u < v$ .

- can't do this if  $G$  has a cycle

Suppose the dag  $G$  describes a precedence ordering of events

- $(u, v) \in E$  means that  $u$  must be done before  $v$

Then a topological sort of  $G$  describes one way in which the events can be performed.

- There may be several possible topological sorts of a dag.

## Using DFS for Topological Sort

We can use the finishing times of DFS to topologically sort

- vertices with earlier finishing times come later in the list

TOPOLOGICAL-SORT( $G$ )

- 1 call DFS( $G$ )
- 2 each time a vertex is finished,  
insert it onto the front of a linked list
- 3 **return** the linked list

Note: if there are  $n$  vertices, it may be better to return an array  $T[1..n]$

- put vertices onto array starting at end
- $T[i]$  is  $i$ th vertex in the topological sort

**Theorem:**  $\text{TOPOLOGICAL-SORT}(G)$  produces a topological sort of  $G$ .

**Proof:** Must show that  $(u, v) \in E \Rightarrow f(v) < f(u)$ .

Case 1: We turn  $u$  gray before  $v$ .

- then we discover  $v$  while we are running  $\text{DFS-VISIT}(u)$
- we finish  $v$  before we finish  $u$
- $f(v) < f(u)$

Case 2: We turn  $v$  gray before  $u$

- then we don't discover  $u$  before we finish  $v$
- otherwise  $u$  is a descendant of  $v$  in  $G$  and we have a cycle
- so  $f[v] < d[u] < f[u]$ .