

Homework Eleven

Q1 The BFS (Breadth-First Search) algorithm given in the lecture notes uses multiple lists. Modify the algorithm so that it uses only one queue to replace multiple lists.

Solution:

Algorithm BFS(G, s)

```
{
  Create an empty queue L;
  L.enqueue(s);
  setLabel(s, VISITED);
  while ( ! L.isEmpty() )
  {
    v = L.dequeue();
    for all e  $\in$  G.incidentEdges(v)
      if ( getLabel(e) = UNEXPLORED )
      {
        w = opposite(v,e);
        if ( getLabel(w) = UNEXPLORED )
        {
          setLabel(e, DISCOVERY);
          setLabel(w, VISITED);
          L.enqueue(w);
        }
        else
          setLabel(e, CROSS);
      }
  }
}
```

Q2 Describe, in pseudo code, an $O(n+m)$ -time algorithm for computing all the connected components of an undirected graph G with n vertices and m edges.

Solution:

Algorithm connectedComponents(G)

Input: An undirected graph G

Output: All the connected components of G

```
{
  for each vertex v in G do
    visited(v)=0;
  i=0;
  for each vertex v in G do
  {
    if ( visited(v)=0 )
    {
      create a new list  $L_i$ ; // Each  $L_i$  stores a connected component
      perform the depth-first search or the width-first search starting with v;
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    for each vertex u visited in the search do
        { add u to  $L_i$ ;
          visited(u)=1;
        }
    i=i+1;
}
}

```

Q3 Given an undirected graph G and a vertex v_i , describe an algorithm for finding the shortest paths from v_i to all other vertices. The shortest path from a vertex v_s to a vertex v_t is a path from a vertex v_s to a vertex v_t with the minimum number of edges. What is the running time of your algorithm?

Solution: For each vertex v we introduce a list $Q(v)$ to store the shortest path from v_i to v . We can modify the breadth-first search algorithm given in Q1 to compute the shortest path from v_i to v as follows:

Algorithm BFS(G, v_i)

```

{
    for each vertex v of G do
        Create an empty list  $Q(v)$ ;
        Create an empty queue L;
        L.enqueue( $v_i$ );
        setLabel( $v_i$ , VISITED);
        while ( ! L.isEmpty() )
        {
            v = L.dequeue();
            for all e  $\in$  G.incidentEdges(v)
                if ( getLabel(e) = UNEXPLORED )
                {
                    w = opposite(v,e);
                    if ( getLabel(w) = UNEXPLORED )
                    {
                        setLabel(e, DISCOVERY);
                        setLabel(w, VISITED);
                        L.enqueue(w);
                         $Q(w)=Q(s)+\{v,w\}$ ;
                    }
                }
            else
                setLabel(e, CROSS);
        }
    }
}

```

The first for loop takes $O(n)$ time, and “ $Q(w)=Q(s)+\{v,w\}$ ” takes $O(1)$ time. Hence, the running time of the algorithm is $O(m+n)$.

Q4 A connected undirected graph is said to be biconnected if it contains no vertex whose removal would divide G into two or more connected components. Give an

$O(n+m)$ -time algorithm for adding at most n edges to a connected graph G , with $n > 3$ vertices and $m > n-1$ edges, to guarantee that G is biconnected.

Solution: Number the vertices 0 to $n - 1$. Now add an edge from vertex i to vertex $(i + 1) \bmod n$, if that edge does not already exist. This connects all the vertices in a cycle, which is itself biconnected.

Q5 An n -vertex directed acyclic graph G is **compact** if there is some way of numbering the vertices of G with the integers from 0 to $n-1$ such that G contains the edge (i, j) if and only if $i < j$, for all i, j in $[0, n-1]$. Give an $O(n^2)$ -time algorithm for detecting if G is compact.

Solution:

Algorithm compactGraphChecking(G)

Input: A directed graph G

Output: true if G is compact; or false

```
{
    Perform topological sorting on  $G$ ;
    Let  $TSN(v_i)$  be the topological number of vertex  $v_i$ .
    for each vertex  $v_i$  in  $G$  do
         $TSN(v_i) = TSN(v_i) - 1$ ;
    Let  $a[0:n-1]$  be an array of all the vertices sorted in increasing order of their topological numbers;
    for  $i=0$  to  $n-2$  do
        for  $j=i+1$  to  $n-1$  do
            if no edge exists from  $a[i]$  to  $a[j]$ 
                return false;
    return true;
}
```

Running time analysis: Topological sorting on G takes $O(n+m)$ time, where e the number of edges of G . The array $a[]$ can be obtained by modifying the topological sorting algorithm without changing its time complexity. The first **for** loop takes $O(n)$ time. The nested **for** loop takes $O(n^2)$ time. Therefore, the total running time is $O(n+m) + O(n) + O(n^2) = O(n^2)$.