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Q1) Write difference between DFS and BFS. Write application of both the algorithms

Ans

BFS

DFS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It stands for Breadth First Search • It uses Queue data structure • It is more suitable for searching vertices which are closer to given source • BFS considers all neighbour first and therefore not suitable for decision making trees used in games and puzzle • Here siblings are visited before children • There is no concept of backtracking • It requires more memory | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It stands for Depth First Search • It uses stack data structure • It is more suitable when there are solution away from source • DFS is more suitable for game or puzzle problem. We make a decision then explore all paths through this decision, leads to win situation we stop • Here children are visited before sibling • It is a recursive algorithm that uses backtracking • It requires less memory |
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Application

- BFS → Bipartite graph and shortest path, peer to peer networking, crawlers in search engine and GPS navigation system.
- DFS → acyclic graph, topological order, scheduling problems, sudoku puzzle.

Q2) which data structure are used to implement BFS and DFS and why?

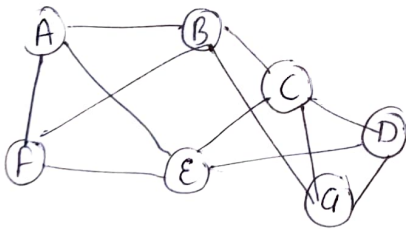
↳ For implementing BFS we need a queue data structure for finding shortest path between any node. We use queue because things don't have to be processed immediately, but have to be processed in FIFO order like BFS. BFS searches for nodes level wise, it searches nodes w.r.t their distance from root (source). For this queue is better to use in BFS.

For implementing DFS we need a stack data structure as it traverses a graph in depthward motion and uses stack to remember to get the next vertex to start a search, when a dead end occurs in any iteration.

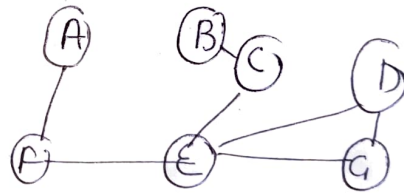
Q3) What do you mean by sparse and dense graph? Which representation of graph is better for sparse and dense graph?

↳ Dense graph is a graph in which no. of edges is close to maximal no. of edges.

Sparse graph is graph in which no. of edges is very less.



Dense Graph
(many edge b/w nodes)



Sparse Graph
(few edges b/w nodes)

- 1) For sparse graph it is prepared to use Adjacency list
- 2) For dense graph it is preferred to use Adjacency matrix.

4) How can you detect a cycle in a graph using BFS and DFS?

Ans For detecting cycle in a graph using BFS we need to use Kahn's algorithm for topological sorting.

The steps involved are:

- 1) Compute in degree (no. of incoming edges) for each of vertex present in graph & initialize count of visited nodes as 0.
- 2) Pick all vertices with in-degree as 0 and add them in queue.
- 3) Remove a vertex from queue and then
 - increment count of visited nodes by 1
 - Decrease in-degree by 1 for all its neighbouring nodes
 - If in-degree of neighbouring nodes is reduced to zero then add to queue.
- 4) Repeat
- 5) Until queue is empty
- 6) If count of visited nodes is not equal to no. of nodes in graph, has cycle, otherwise not.

For detecting cycle in graph using DFS we need to do following:

DFS for a connected graph produces a tree. There is a cycle in graph if there is a back edge present. A back edge is an edge that is from a node to itself (self-loop) or one of its ancestors in the tree produced by DFS. For a disconnected graph get DFS found as output. To ~~output~~ detect cycle, check for a cycle in individual tree by checking back edges. To detect a back stage, keep track of vertices correctly for DFS traversal. If a vertex is searched that is already in recursion stack, then there is a cycle.

Q5) What do you mean by disjoint set data structure? Explain operation along with example which can be performed on disjoint sets?

Ans A disjoint set is a data structure that keeps track of set of elements partitioned into disjoint subset. In other words a disjoint set is a group of sets where no item can be in more than one set.

3 operations:

1) Find \rightarrow can be implemented by recursively traversing the parent array until we hit a node who is parent to itself.

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int find(int i)
{
    if (parent[i] == i)
        return i;
    else
        return find(parent[i]);
}
```

2) Union: It takes 2 elements as input and find representatives of these sets using find operation and finally puts either one of the trees under root of other tree, effectively merging the trees and sets.

eg. void union(int i, int j)

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{
    int irep = this.find(i);
    int jrep = this.find(j);
    this.parent[irep] = jrep;
}
```

3) Union by Rank: We need a new array rank(), size of array same as parent array. If i is representative of set rank[i] is height of tree. We need to minimize height of tree. If we are writing 2 trees, we call them left is less than right then its best to move left under right and vice versa.

- If rank of left is ~~zero~~ less than right its best to move left under right and vice versa.

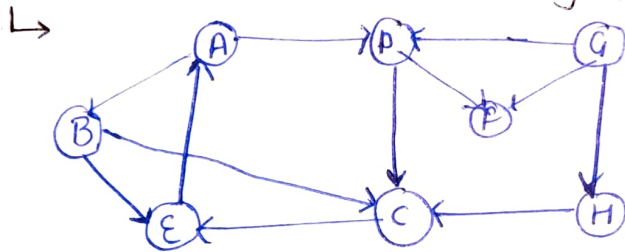
- If ranks are equal, rank of result will always be one greater than rank of trees.

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eg- void union (int i, int j)
      int irep = this->Find(i);
      int jrep = this->Find(j);
      if (irep == jrep)
          return;
      irank = Rank[irep];
      if (irank < jrank)
          this->parent[jrep] = irep;
      else {
          this->parent[irep] = jrep;
          Rank[jrep]++;
      }
  }

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Q5) Run BFS and DFS on graph shown below.



BFS

child	G	H	D	E	C	E	A	B
parent	G	G	G	H	C	E	A	

Path → G → H → C → E → A → B

Node Visited

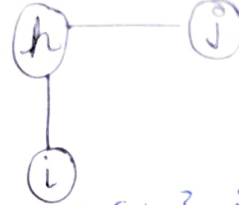
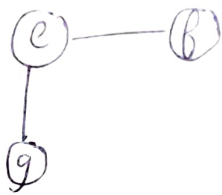
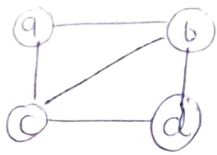
G
D
H
F
C
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Stack

G
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Path → G → F → C → E → A → B

Q7) Find out no. of connected components and vertices in each component using disjoint set data structure

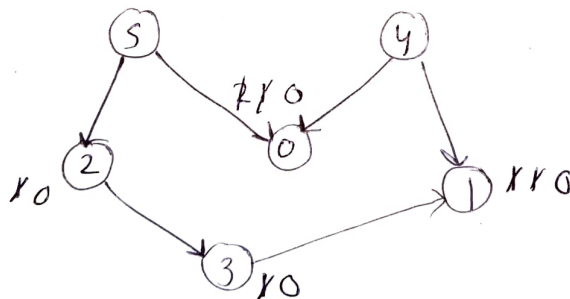


Ans $V = \{a\} \{b\} \{c\} \{d\} \{e\} \{f\} \{g\} \{h\} \{i\} \{j\}$
 $E = \{a,b\}, \{a,c\}, \{b,c\}, \{b,d\}, \{e,f\}, \{e,g\}, \{h,i\}, \{i,j\}$

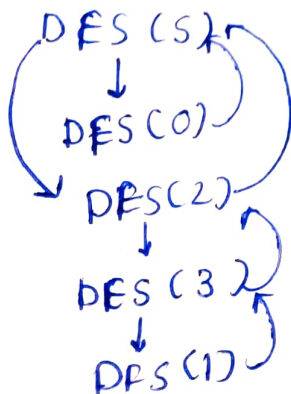
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 $(h,i) \{a,b,c,d\} \{e,f,g\} \{h,i\} \{j\}$

No. of connected components = 3 — Ans

Q.8) Apply Topological sort & DFS on graph having vertices from 0 to 5.



Ans we take source node as 5
 Applying Topological Sort



DFS(4)
 not possible

q: 5/4; Pop 5 and decrement indegree of it by 1
 q: 4/2; Pop 4 and decrement indegree & push 0
 q: 2/0; Pop 2 and decrement indegree and push 3
 q: 0/3; Pop 0, Pop 3
 Push 1

q: 1/1; Pop 1
Ans 5 4 2 0 3 1

Heap data structure can be used to implement priority queue. Name few graph algorithm where you need to use priority queue and why?

Ans Yes, heap data structure can be used to implement priority queue. It will take $O(\log N)$ time to insert and delete each element in priority queue. Based on heap structure priority queue has two types max-priority queue has two types max-priority queue based on max-heap and min priority queue based on min-heap. Heaps provide better performance comparison to array-based.

The graphs like Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm, Prim's minimum Spanning Tree use Priority Queue.

- 1) Dijkstra's Algorithm \rightarrow when graph is stored in form of adjacent list or matrix, priority queue is used to extract minimum efficiently when implementing the algorithm.
- 2) Prim's Algorithm \rightarrow It is used to store keys of nodes and extract minimum key node at every step.

Q10) Difference between min-heap and max-heap.

Min-heap	max-heap
<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) In min-heap, key present at root node must be less than or equal to amongs keys present at all of its children.2) The minimum key element is present at the heap root.3) It uses ascending priority.4) The smallest element has priority while construction of min-heap.5) The smallest element is the first to be popped from the heap.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1) In max-heap the key present at root node must be greater than or equal to amongs keys present at all of its children.2) The maximum key element is present at the root.3) It uses descending priority.4) The largest element has priority while construction of max heap.5) The largest element is the first element to be popped.