

Asymptotic Notations

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Other asymptotic notations

$f(n) = o(g(n))$ means

$f(n) = O(g(n))$, but $f(n) \neq \Theta(g(n))$

$f(n) = \omega(g(n))$ means

$f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$, but $f(n) \neq \Theta(g(n))$

	Worst Case	Best Case
Linear Search		
Binary Search		
Insertion Sort		
Merge Sort		

Comparing growth of functions

$$f_1(n) = 3n^2 \lg n^5$$

$$f_2(n) = 2n^8 \lg n$$

Which function grows faster?

Two algorithms A and B that solve the same problem have the following worst-case runtime complexities

Algorithm A: $O(3n^2 \lg n^5)$

Algorithm B: $O(2n^8 \lg n)$

Which algorithm runs faster?

Average Case Analysis

Why don't we perform average Case performance analysis?

Review of BFS & DFS

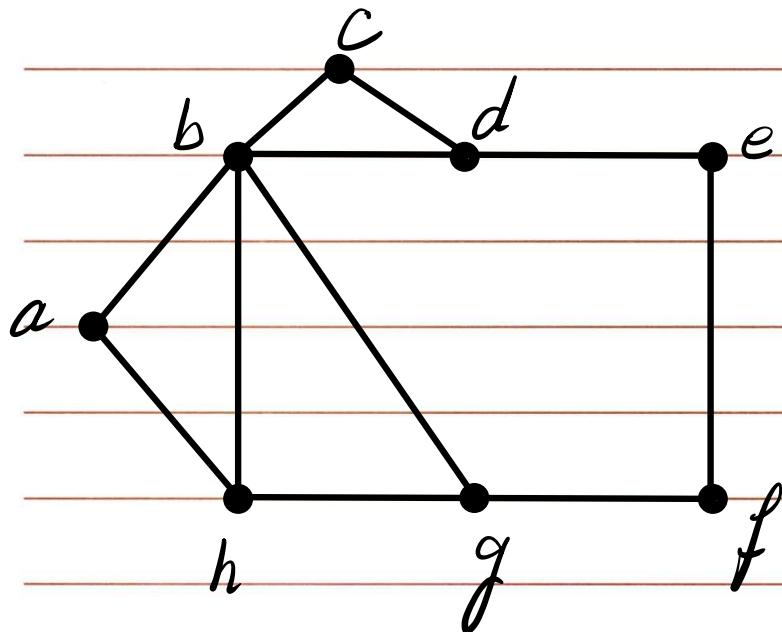
Q: What are we searching for?

- To find out if there is a path from node A to node B.
- To find all nodes that can be reached from A.

Graph Search Algorithms

Breadth First Search (BFS)

First finds the immediate neighbors of the starting point (s) (@distance 1 from s).
Then finds nodes @ distance 2 from s , etc.



BFS Algorithm

$\Theta(m+n)$

BFS(node s)

$\Theta(n)$

Initialize $d(v) = \text{false}$, for all $v \in V$

$d(s) = \text{true}$

Queue q

q.enqueue(s)

while (!q.isEmpty())

node u = q.dequeue()

for (all outgoing edges from u: $u \rightarrow w$)

$$\sum_{u \in V} d^+(u) = \Theta(m)$$

$$\Theta(d^+(u))$$

if ($\neg d(w)$)

$d(w) = \text{true}$

q.enqueue(w)

end if

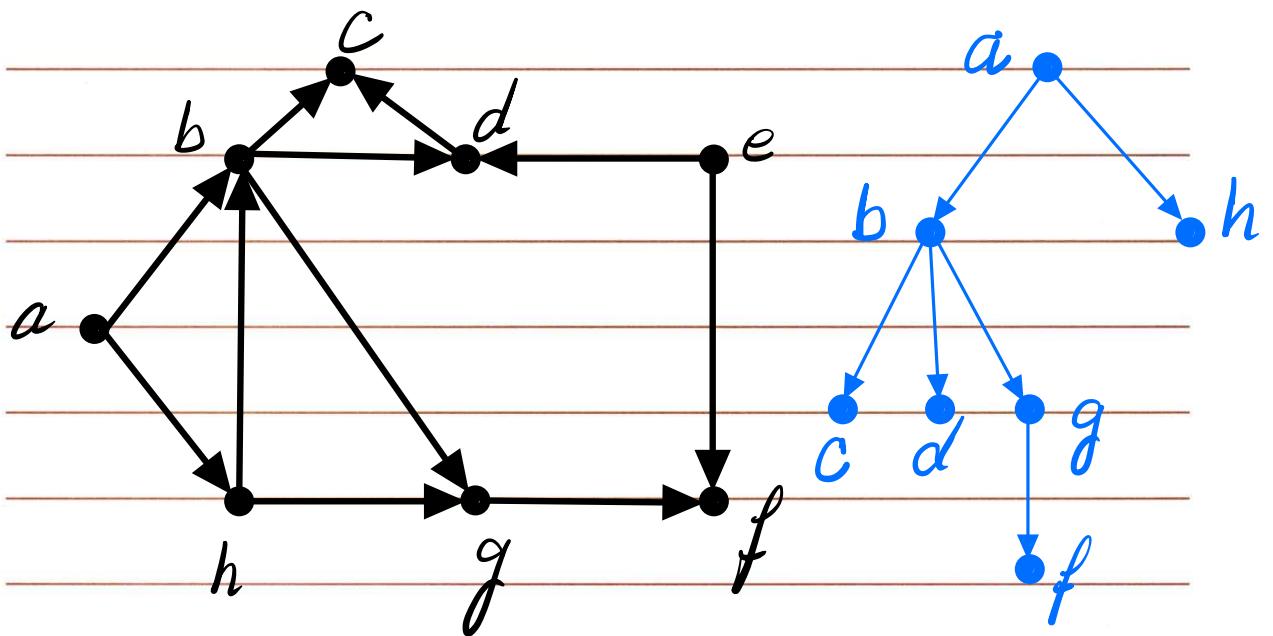
end for

end while

Graph Search Algorithms

Depth First Search (DFS)

Follows a path until it hits a dead-end.
Then backtracks, until it finds a new
path it can take.



DFS Tree

DFS Algorithm

$\Theta(m+n)$

DFS(node s)

$\Theta(n)$

Initialize $d(v) = \text{false}$, for all $v \in V$
Stack st

st.push(s)

while (!st.isEmpty())

node u = st.pop()

if ($\neg d(u)$)

$d(u) = \text{true}$

$$\sum_{u \in V} d^+(u) = \Theta(m)$$

$$\Theta(d^+(u))$$

for (all outgoing edges from u: $u \rightarrow w$)

st.push(w)

end for

endif

end while

Q : Given an undirected connected graph G , how do you determine if G is bipartite?

Suppose we find an edge in G with both ends in the same set. Let w be the lowest common ancestor of $v_8 u$.

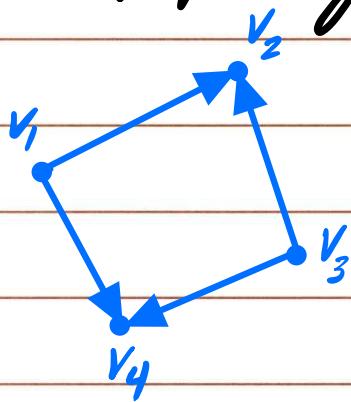
Solution:

Run BFS starting from any node, say s . Label each node X or Y depending on whether they appear at an odd or even level on the BFS tree.

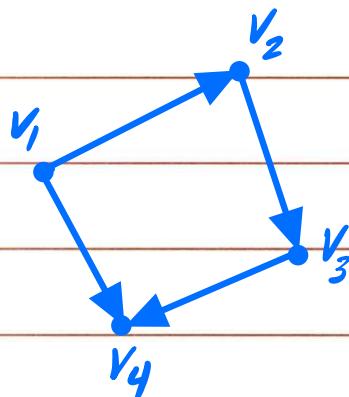
Then, go through all edges and examine the labels at the two ends of the edge. If all edges have one end in X and the other in Y , then the graph is bipartite. Otherwise it is not bipartite.

Connectivity in a directed graph

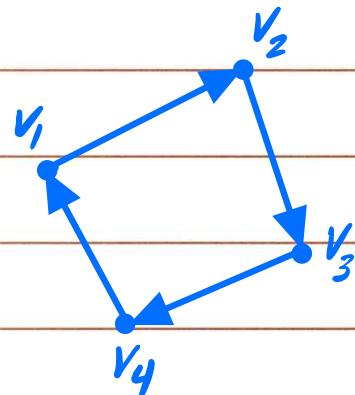
A directed graph is weakly connected if there is a path from any point to any other point in the graph by ignoring edge directions.



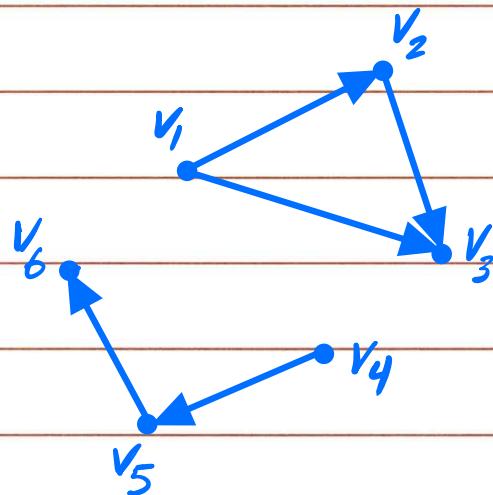
A directed graph is connected if, for any pair of nodes (V, U) , There is either a path from V to U , or a path from U to V .



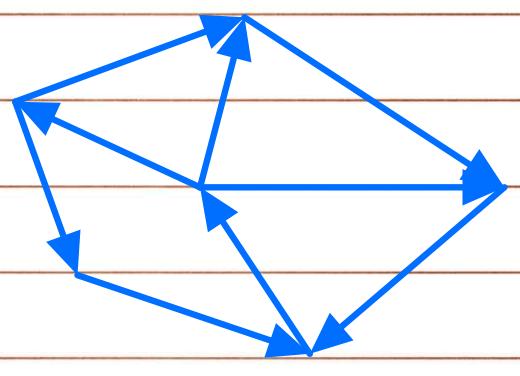
A directed graph is strongly connected if, for any pair of nodes (V, U) , There is a path from V to U , and a path from U to V .



A directed graph is not connected (unconnected) if it is not connected in any of the above 3 ways.



Q: How can you determine if a given graph G is strongly connected?



G

Solution :

1- Use BFS or DFS to find all nodes reachable from s (an arbitrary node) in G .

If some nodes are not reachable from s , stop. The graph is not strongly connected.

Otherwise, continue with step 2.

2- Create G^T

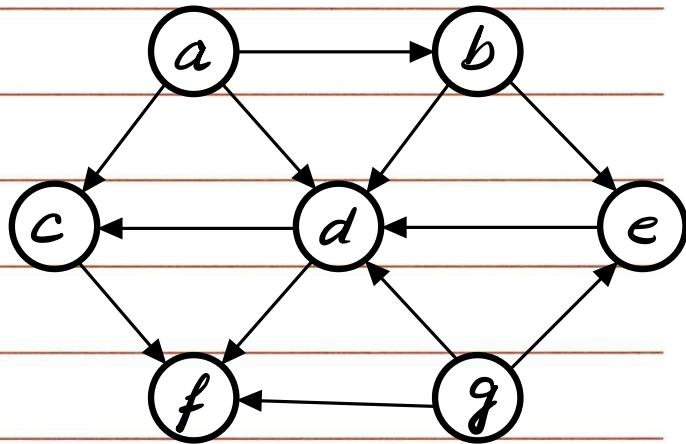
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Otherwise, The graph is strongly connected.

Finding a Topological Ordering (in a DAG)

Which node(s)
can be first in
the topological
order?

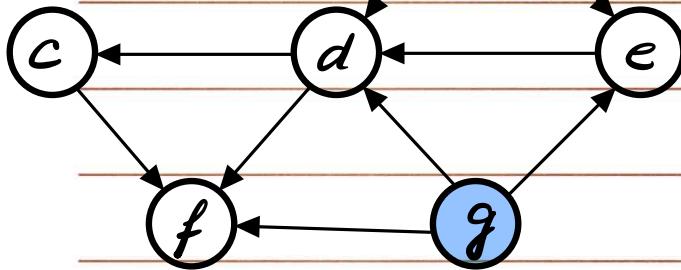
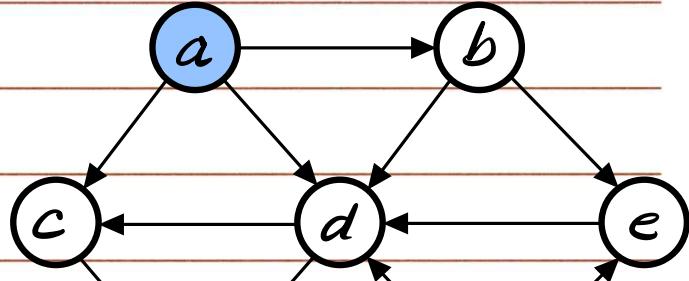


High Level Algorithm

- Find a node v with no incoming edges and order it first.
- Delete v from the graph (G)
- Recursively compute the topological ordering of $G - v$ and append this order after v .

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are a and g.

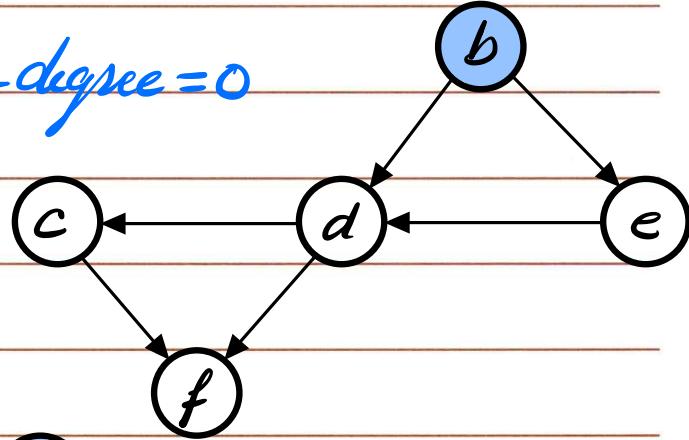
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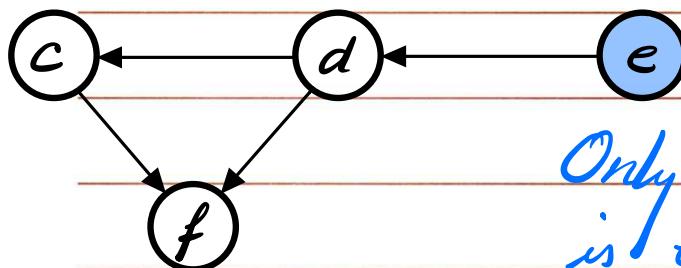
Only node with in-degree=0
is b.

Remove b.



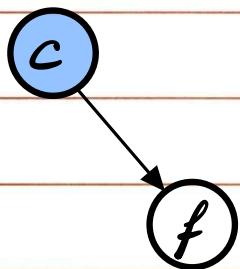
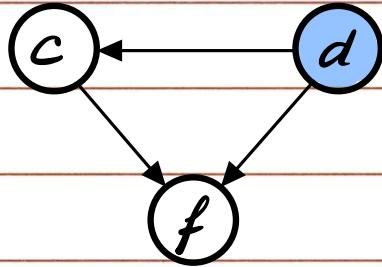
Only node with in-degree=0
is e.

Remove e.



Only node with
in-degree = 0 is d.

Remove d.



Only node with in-degree = 0
is c. Remove c.



f is the last node in this topological order

Implementation Plan:

We will compute and maintain two things:

- For each node w , the number of incoming edges.
- The set S of all active nodes in G with no incoming edges.

topological Ordering (G)

$\Theta(n)$ Initialize the in-degree of all nodes to 0
for all v in V

$\sum_{v \in V} d^+(v) = \Theta(m)$

$\Theta(d^+(v))$

for all w in $\text{Adj}(v)$
increment the in-degree of w by 1.
endfor
endfor

$\Theta(1)$ Create empty list S

for all v in V
 $\Theta(n)$ if $\text{in-degree}(v) = 0$, Add v to S
endfor

for $i = 1$ to n

remove any node v from S
place v at position i in the
topological order

for all w in $\text{Adj}(v)$
decrement the in-degree of w by 1.
if $\text{in-degree}(w) = 0$, Add w to S
endfor
endfor

Overall Complexity = $O(m+n)$

Discussion 2

1. Arrange the following functions in increasing order of growth rate with $g(n)$ following $f(n)$ in your list if and only if $f(n) = O(g(n))$

$\log n^n, n^2, n^{\log n}, n \log \log n, 2^{\log n}, \log^2 n, n^{\sqrt{2}}$

2. Suppose that $f(n)$ and $g(n)$ are two positive non-decreasing functions such that $f(n) = O(g(n))$. Is it true that $2^{f(n)} = O(2^{g(n)})$?

3. Find an upper bound (Big O) on the worst case run time of the following code segment.

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void bigOh1(int[] L, int n)
    while (n > 0)
        find_max(L, n); //finds the max in L[0...n-1]
        n = n/4;
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Carefully examine to see if this is a tight upper bound (Big Θ)

4. Find a lower bound (Big Ω) on the best case run time of the following code segment.

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- Explain how to represent this data as a graph.
- Explain how we would compute the Erdős number for a particular researcher.
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Given a DAG, give a linear-time algorithm to determine if there is a simple path that visits all vertices.

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