

Handout: Topological Sort CPE 202

Here is an algorithm for performing a topological sort:

1. Build an adjacency list for all of the vertices *and include* each vertex's *in degree* (number of incoming edges) as well as the specific vertices adjacent to it.
2. Push all vertices with an *in degree* of zero on to a stack.
3. While the stack is not empty:
 1. Pop and output a vertex.
 2. Reduce the *in degree* of all vertices that were adjacent to the just-popped vertex.
 3. Push all new vertices with an *in degree* of zero.

Given the following edge file and Adjacency List for a directed acyclic graph (DAG):

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v1 v2
v1 v3
v2 v4
v2 v5
v1 v4
v3 v6
v5 v4
v4 v3
v4 v6
v7 v6
v4 v7
v5 v7
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V	In Degree	Adjacent Vertices
v1	0	v2, v3, v4
v2	1	v4, v5
v3	2	v6
v4	3	v3, v6, v7
v5	1	v4, v7
v6	3	
v7	2	v6

Here is a table that represents the behavior of the provided algorithm:

	In-degree before pop number						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
v1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
v2	1	0	-	-	-	-	-
v3	2	1	1	1	0	-	-
v4	3	2	1	0	-	-	-
v5	1	1	0	-	-	-	-
v6	3	3	3	3	2	1	0
v7	2	2	2	1	0	-	-
push	v1	v2	v5	v4	v3, v7		v6
pop	v1	v2	v5	v4	v7	v3	v6