

# **COMP3600/6466 Algorithms**

## Lecture 22

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# Graph Algorithms

FUNDAMENTAL!



Users  
Interaction  
=  
Graph



Routing  
Map  
=  
Graph



Telecom  
Network  
=  
Graph



Supply  
Chain  
=  
Graph



**Commonwealth**Bank

Assets  
Correlation  
=  
Graph



Power System  
=  
Graph



Air traffic  
=  
Graph

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# Graph Representation

## What's a Graph?

$$G = (V, E)$$

$V$  is the set of vertices (nodes)

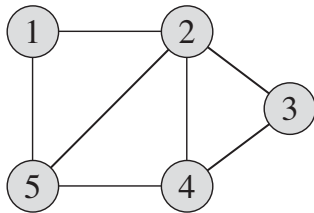
$E$  is the set of edges (links, lines, arcs)

$$E = V \times V$$

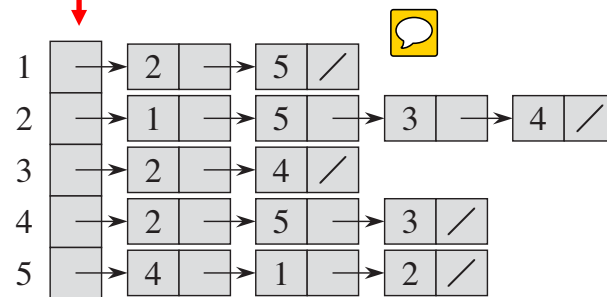
# Graph Representation

## 1. Adjacency-Lists

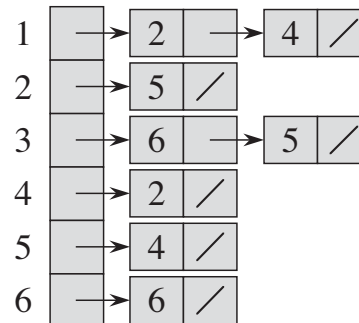
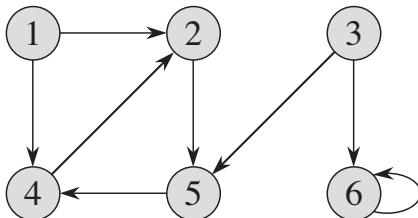
**Degree(2) = 4**



$G.Adj[1]$



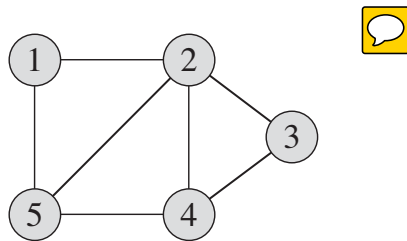
**Undirected**



**Directed**

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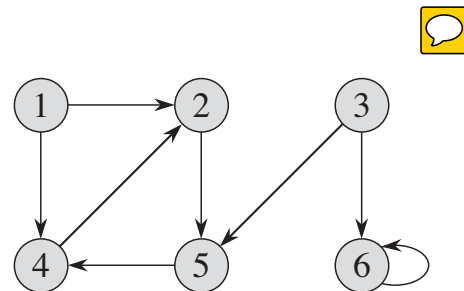
## 2. Adjacency-Matrix



	1	2	3	4	5
1	0	1	0	0	1
2	1	0	1	1	1
3	0	1	0	1	0
4	0	1	1	0	1
5	1	1	0	1	0

**Undirected**

**Few non-zeros  
=  
waste of space!**



	1	2	3	4	5	6
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**Directed**

# Breadth-First Search (BFS)

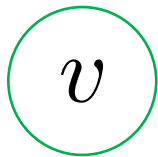
**INPUT:**  $G = (V, E)$ , source node  $s \in V$ .

**OUTPUT:** The shortest distance (in number of edges) from  $s$  to all its reachable nodes.

**Breadth-First?**

The **BFS** algorithm explores all nodes at distance  $k$  from  $s$  before discovering any nodes at distance  $k+1$

# Breadth-First Search (BFS)

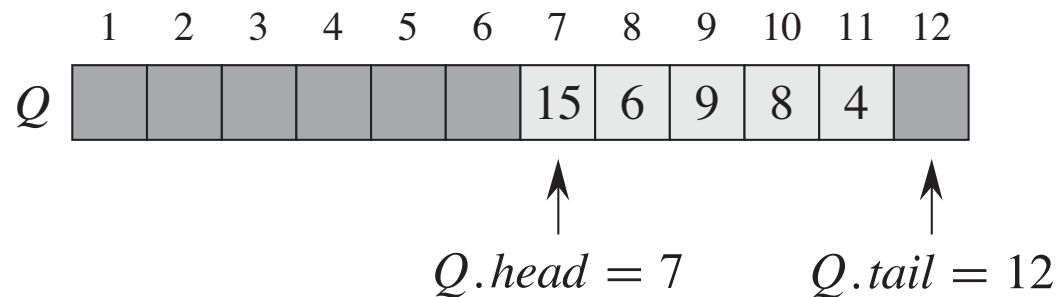


$v.colour \in \{\text{white, grey, black}\}$

$v.\pi$ , previous node on the path to  $v$

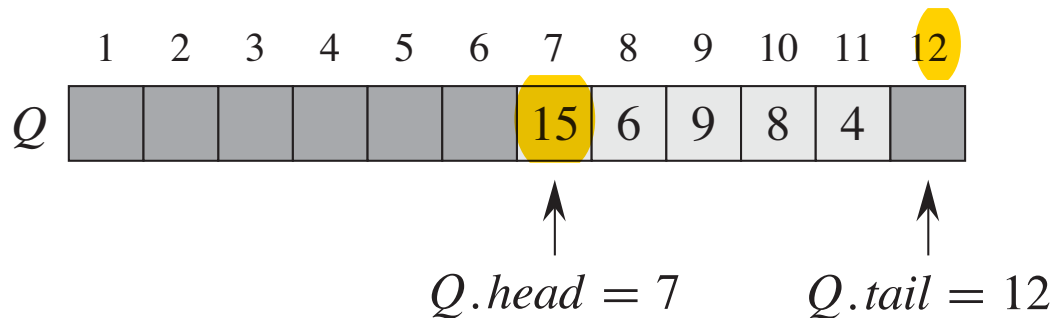
$v.d$ , distance from the source  $s$

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# Breadth-First Search (BFS)

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$ENQUEUE(Q, v)$  : insert vertex  $v$  at the tail of  $Q$

$DEQUEUE(Q)$  : remove the vertex at the head of  $Q$

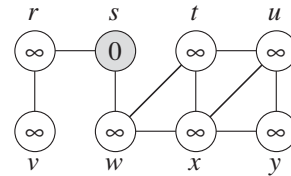


# Breadth-First Search (BFS)

BFS( $G, s$ )

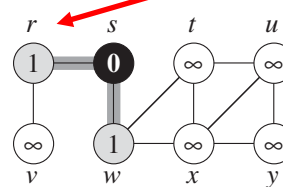
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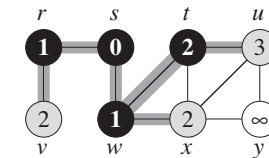
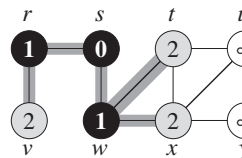
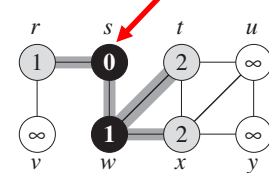


**White** = unvisited yet

**Grey** = neighbour dequeued  
node queued



**Black** = node visited and  
dequeued



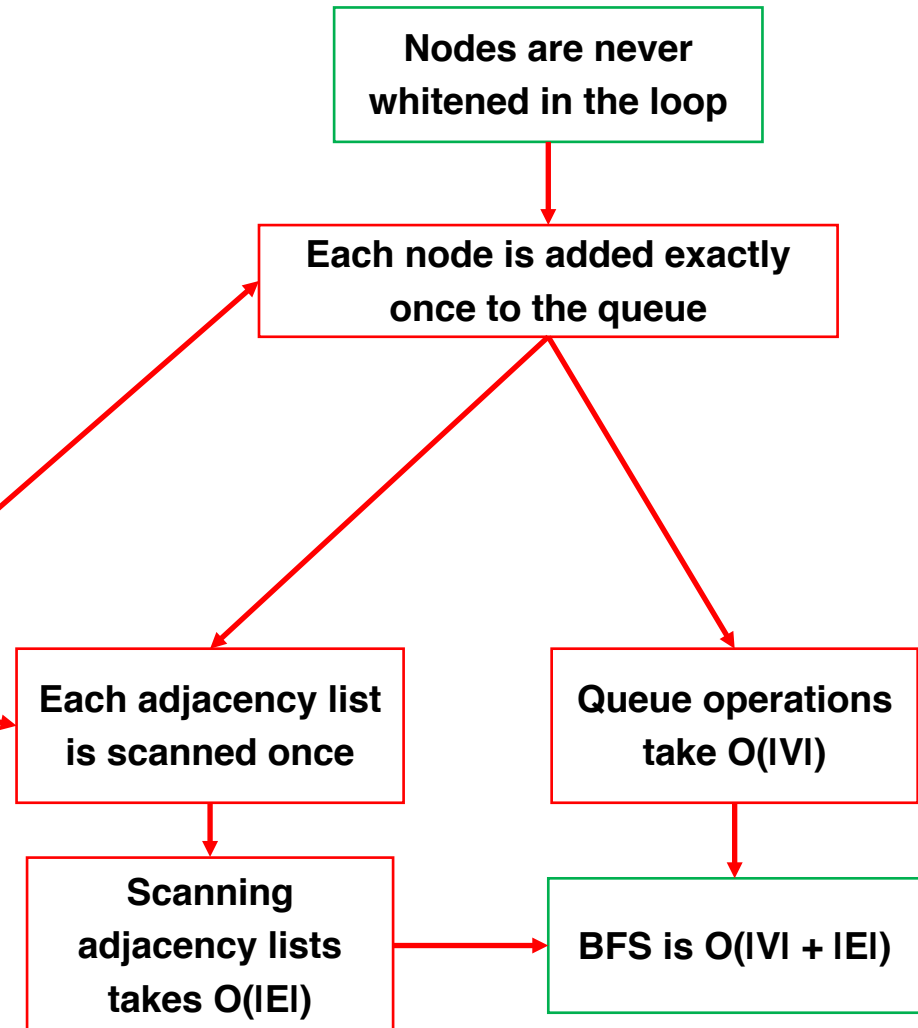
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# BFS Analysis

BFS( $G, s$ )

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# Shortest Paths

$$\delta(s, v)$$

*shortest-path distance*

Let  $\delta(s, v)$  denote the minimum number of edges in any path from  $s$  to  $v$ .  
If these vertices are not connected, then  $\delta(s, v) = \infty$ .

We call a path of length  $\delta(s, v)$  from  $s$  to  $v$  a **shortest path**.

**Claim.** BFS computes the shortest path from  $s$  to any reachable node in  $V$ .



Equivalent

**Claim.** Starting from  $s$ , any reachable node  $v$  in  $V$  will satisfy  $v.d = \delta(s, v)$ .

# Shortest Paths

## ***Lemma 22.2***

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a directed or undirected graph, and suppose that BFS is run on  $G$  from a given source vertex  $s \in V$ . Then upon termination, for each vertex  $v \in V$ , the value  $v.d$  computed by BFS satisfies  $v.d \geq \delta(s, v)$ .

## ***Corollary 22.4***

Suppose that vertices  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are enqueued during the execution of BFS, and that  $v_i$  is enqueued before  $v_j$ . Then  $v_i.d \leq v_j.d$  at the time that  $v_j$  is enqueued.

**Proof by induction.**  
(Textbook p.598-599)

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# Shortest Paths

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**Proof Outline.** (By Contradiction)

Let  $v$  be the vertex with minimum  $\delta(s, v)$  that receives an incorrect  $d$  value, that is  $v.d > \delta(s, v)$ ; clearly  $v \neq s$ .

Let  $u$  be the vertex immediately preceding  $v$  on a shortest path from  $s$  to  $v$ , so that  $\delta(s, v) = \delta(s, u) + 1$ .

The way  $u$  is chosen, we have  $u.d = \delta(s, u)$  implying  $v.d > u.d + 1$ .

When BFS chooses to dequeue  $u$  from  $Q$ , we have three cases:

**Case 1.**  $v$  is white

Line 15 in BFS sets  $v.d = u.d + 1 \rightarrow \text{CONTRADICTION}$ .

# Shortest Paths

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## Case 2. $v$ is black

$v$  has been dequeued before  $u \implies v.d \leq u.d$  (Corollary 22.4)  
 $\rightarrow$  CONTRADICTION.


## Case 3. $v$ is grey

$v$  was painted grey by a predecessor  $w$  dequeued before  $u$   
 $\implies w.d \leq u.d$  (Corollary 22.4) and  $v.d = w.d + 1$  (line 15).  
This leads to  $v.d = w.d + 1 \leq u.d + 1 \rightarrow$  CONTRADICTION.

# Shortest Paths

PRINT-PATH( $G, s, v$ )

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1  if  $v == s$ 
2      print  $s$ 
3  elseif  $v.\pi == \text{NIL}$ 
4      print “no path from”  $s$  “to”  $v$  “exists”
5  else PRINT-PATH( $G, s, v.\pi$ )
6      print  $v$ 
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If  $v$  and  $s$  are connected  
will go all the way back to  $s$

# Exercise 22.1

Show that using a single bit to store each vertex color suffices for BFS.

BFS( $G, s$ )

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**Answer:** First, note that we never use the fact that a node is coloured grey, we only check if it's white, therefore, replacing grey by black will not change the algorithm execution.

Second, note that a node coloured is a node that has a finite number stored in  $v.d$ , therefore, we can check if a node is white or not by checking whether  $v.d = \infty$ , which implies that we do not need the colour attribute at all.





## Exercise 22.2

Argue that in a breadth-first search, the value  $u.d$  assigned to a vertex  $u$  is independent of the order in which the vertices appear in each adjacency list.

The correctness proof for the BFS algorithm shows that  $u.d = \delta(s, u)$ , and the algorithm doesn't assume that the adjacency lists are in any particular order.

## Exercise 22.3

Starting from vertex 3, apply the BFS algorithm on the following graph.

