Representing Graphs

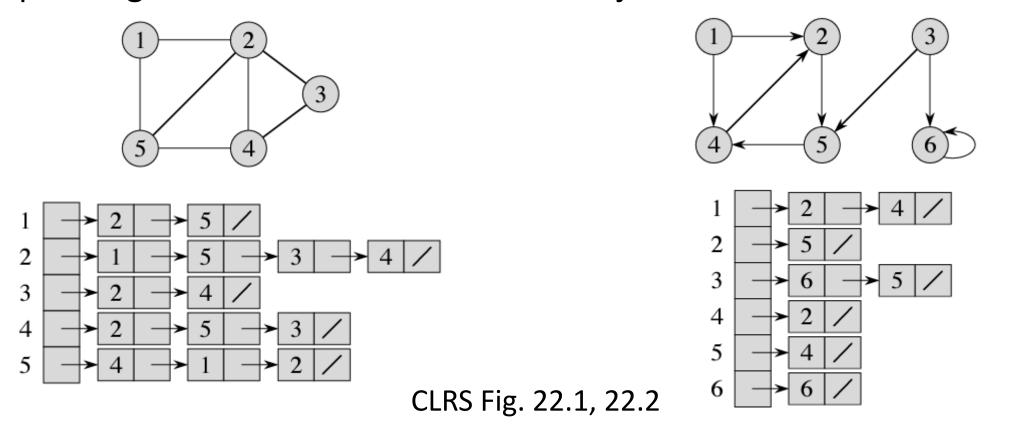
Adjacency Lists And Adjacency Matrices For Different Efficiencies

Review of Graph Theory Terminology

- Covered in discrete math course
- Reviewed extensively in CLRS Appendix B.4
 - Make sure to go over Appendix B.4
- Graph G = (V, E)
 - V: The vertex set of G, E: The edge set of G.
 - $E = \{(u, v) | u, v \in V\}$ in a digraph (directed graph): Self-loops are possible.
 - $E = \{\{u, v\} | u, v \in V, u \neq v\}$ in an undirected graph (edges are unordered pairs).
- Various terms and definitions to go over in Appendix B.4:
 - Degree, path, path length, reachability, simple path, cycle, simple cycle, connected graph, connected components, strongly connected components, ...

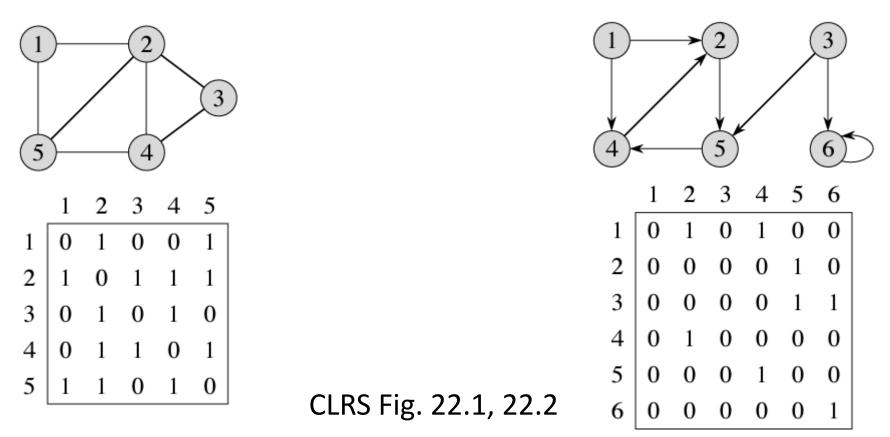
Representing Graph: Adjacency List

• For $V = \{1, 2, ..., n\}$, maintain an array Adj[1..n] with each Adj[i] pointing to a linked list of all vertices adjacent to vertex i.



Representing Graph: Adjacency Matrix

• For $V = \{1,2,...,n\}$, maintain an adjacency matrix (2D array) A[1..n,1..n] where A[i,j] = 1 if $(i,j) \in E$, and A[i,j] = 0 otherwise.



Pros & Cons of Each Representation

- Adjacency list
 - $\Theta(|V| + |E|)$ space
 - Compact (in terms of space) representation of sparse ($|E| \ll |V|^2$) graphs
 - O(|V|) time to check if vertex j is adjacent to vertex i: Need to traverse the list Adj[i], which may contain as many vertices as |V|.
- Adjacency matrix
 - O(1) time (always) to check if vertex j is adjacent to vertex i (if there's an edge from vertex i to vertex j)
 - $\Theta(|V|^2)$ space (always, even for very sparse graphs)

Summary

- An adjacency list is usually the method of choice, as most graphs we deal with are sparse.
- Adjacency matrix is preferred when the graph is dense or we need to tell quickly if there's an edge connecting two given vertices.
- Weighted graphs can also be easily represented with either choice:
 - Adjacency matrix entry A[i,j] will be the weight w(i,j) if $(i,j) \in E$.
 - Adjacency list Adj[i] will point to the head of a linked list of nodes each of which has two properties: vertex j and weight w(i,j) if $(i,j) \in E$.

Breadth-First Search

Know All Your Immediate Neighbors First Before Knowing Any Other Neighbors Know Closer Neighbors First Before Knowing Farther Neighbors

Breadth-First Search (BFS) Overview

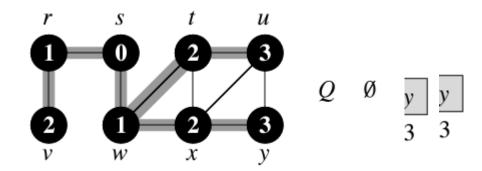
- One of the two widely used graph traversal methods
 - Also called breadth-first traversal
- Each vertex is (i) *discovered*, and then later (ii) *explored* in a graph traversal.
 - Exploring a vertex is basically discovering its adjacent vertices!
 - "Exploring incident edges," as phrased in textbook.
 - There's a source vertex that's initially discovered at the very beginning.
 - You never discover/explore an already discovered/explored vertex!
 - Each vertex is discovered exactly once and explored exactly once.
- In BFS, First-Discovered, First-Explored.
 - First-In, First-Out (FIFO): Queue data structure suits this well!

BFS Pseudocode Details

- Needs to distinguish each vertex's status:
 - Not discovered yet (white), discovered only (gray), explored (black)
 - At the beginning, the source vertex is marked gray (discovered) and all other vertices are marked white (not discovered yet).
- Breadth-first tree (predecessor graph) with root s (the source vertex) will be found after BFS, containing all reachable vertices from s.
- The simple path in the breadth-first tree from s to any vertex v (reachable from s) corresponds to a "shortest path" from s to v.
- "Breadth-first" because the frontier line of the search expands across the breadth of the current frontier.

BFS Illustration

- Using a queue to implement "First-Discovered, First-Explored" nature.
 - The queue holds only the vertices that are discovered only (gray), in the order of discovery.
 - The front of the queue (earliest discovered-only vertex) is dequeued and explored.
 - Which is to discover its adjacent non-discovered/explored vertices
 - The newly discovered vertices should be enqueued to the queue to be explored later in the order of discovery.
- CLRS Fig. 22.3 (pp.596)
 - See how shortest distance from s to each vertex is updated.



Actual Code

```
BFS(G, s)
```

10

18

```
for each vertex u \in G.V - \{s\}
        u.color = WHITE
        u.d = \infty
4
        u.\pi = NIL
```

Marking all non-source vertices as not-yet-discovered, with unknown distance, and no parent (predecessor) yet in the breadth-first tree.

```
s.color = GRAY
6
   s.d = 0
   s.\pi = NIL
   Q = \emptyset
9
   ENQUEUE(Q, s)
```

Marking source vertex as discovered-only, setting its distance from itself (0), and setting its predecessor (none). Also enqueue it so that it will be explored in the loop.

Repeat as long as there's some vertex to be explored

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11
         u = \text{DEQUEUE}(Q)
12
```

Take the vertex to be explored (discovered **for** each $v \in G$. Adj[u] earliest) and inspect all its adjacent vertices

```
13
            if v.color == WHITE
14
                 v.color = GRAY
15
                 v.d = u.d + 1
16
                 \nu.\pi = u
17
                 ENQUEUE(Q, \nu)
```

Only for each not-yet-discovered vertex, mark it as discovered-only (gray), update its distance (+1), parent (predecessor), and enqueue it so that it can be explored later in the correct order.

u.color = BLACKDone exploring all adjacent vertices. Mark as such (black). Not enqueued back!

Analysis

- Each vertex goes through white → gray transition exactly once.
- Only gray vertices are in the queue.
- Once dequeued, it'll never be enqueued again.
- Therefore, each vertex gets enqueued and dequeued exactly once in line 9-18.
- Therefore, the number of iterations of line 10 while loop is O(V).
- Total number of iterations of line 12 for loop is $\Theta(E)$, because each vertex (u)'s adjacency list will be scanned exactly once (Sum of lengths of all adjacency lists is $\Theta(E)$).
- Therefore, it's O(V + E).

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       u.\pi = NIL
    s.color = GRAY
    s.d = 0
    s.\pi = NIL
     Q = \emptyset
    ENQUEUE(Q, s)
10
    while Q \neq \emptyset
        u = \text{DEQUEUE}(Q)
11
12
         for each v \in G.Adj[u]
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             if v.color == WHITE
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                  \nu.\pi = u
                  ENQUEUE(Q, \nu)
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         u.color = BLACK
```

Correctness Proofs

- Lemmas/Corollaries/Theorems 22.1-22.6 in pp.598-601 of CLRS
 - Study individually with the core properties below, and ask questions if any.
 - There may be exam problems related to these properties and insights.
- v. d is the shortest distance from s to v in G.
- Predecessor subgraph G_{π} of G produced by the BFS procedure is a breadth-first tree of G.
 - $V_{\pi} = \{ v \in V : v \cdot \pi \neq NIL \} \cup \{ s \}$
 - $E_{\pi} = \{(v.\pi, v): v \in V \{s\}\}$
- The G_{π} may vary depending on the order of vertices in the adjacency lists, but v.d (distance) is unique.

Depth-First Search

Dig Deeper On One Neighbor Before Knowing Any Other Neighbors

Depth-First Search (DFS) Overview

- The other widely used graph traversal method
 - Also called depth-first traversal
- Same process as in BFS: Discover and explore
- However, in DFS, Last-Discovered, First-Explored!
 - Last-In, First-Out (LIFO): Stack data structure fits this.
 - In fact, we can perform DFS just by swapping the queue in BFS with a stack.
 - But remember "stack" of recursive calls can be used as well
 - So recursively implemented in the textbook.
 - Still iterative code with explicit stack data structure is preferred.

Details of Textbook's DFS Implementation

- Each vertex's predecessor is still maintained.
 - Gives depth-first forest (trees)
- Each vertex's distance from source is no longer maintained (not meaningful).
- Two timestamps are maintained for each vertex:
 - Discovered time & finished time (done exploring incident edges)
- Try all remaining white vertices as sources
 - That's why we get depth-first forest, not just a tree, if the given graph is not connected.
 - This is arbitrary (BFS could have been this way, or DFS could have been like BFS).
 - But it's done this way to reflect how the results of these searches are typically used.

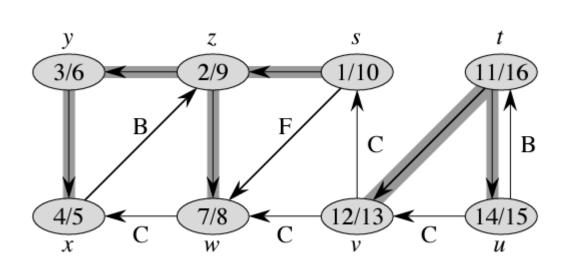
Actual Code and Example (CLRS pp.604-605)

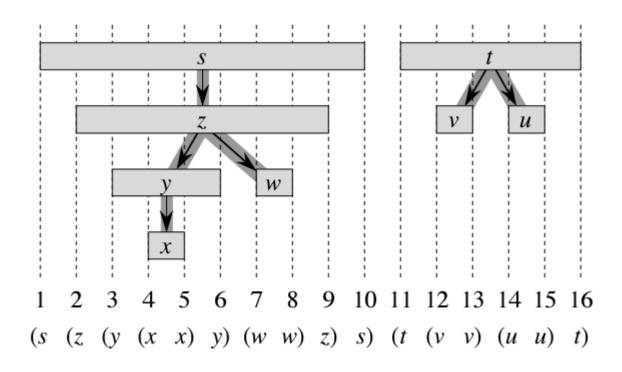
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DFS(G)
   for each vertex u \in G.V
       u.color = WHITE
       u.\pi = NIL
   time = 0
   for each vertex u \in G.V
       if u.color == WHITE
6
            DFS-VISIT(G, u)
DFS-VISIT(G, u)
    time = time + 1
                                   // white vertex u has just been discovered
   u.d = time
    u.color = GRAY
    for each v \in G. Adj[u]
                                   /\!\!/ explore edge (u, v)
        if v.color == WHITE
 6
             \nu . \pi = u
             DFS-VISIT(G, \nu)
    u.color = BLACK
                                   // blacken u; it is finished
    time = time + 1
    u.f = time
```

Time Complexity Analysis of DFS Code

- DFS-VISIT() is called exactly once for each vertex $v \in V: \Theta(V)$ calls
 - Same coloring argument as in BFS
- The for loop in DFS-VISIT(G,v) iterates |Adj[v]| times for each $v \in V$
 - Across all vertices (all recursive calls), the total will be $\sum_{v \in V} |Adj[v]| = \Theta(E)$
 - |E| for a digraph, 2|E| for an undirected graph
- Loops in DFS() will just iterate up to $\Theta(V)$ times
- Therefore, it's $\Theta(V+E)$, the same as in BFS.

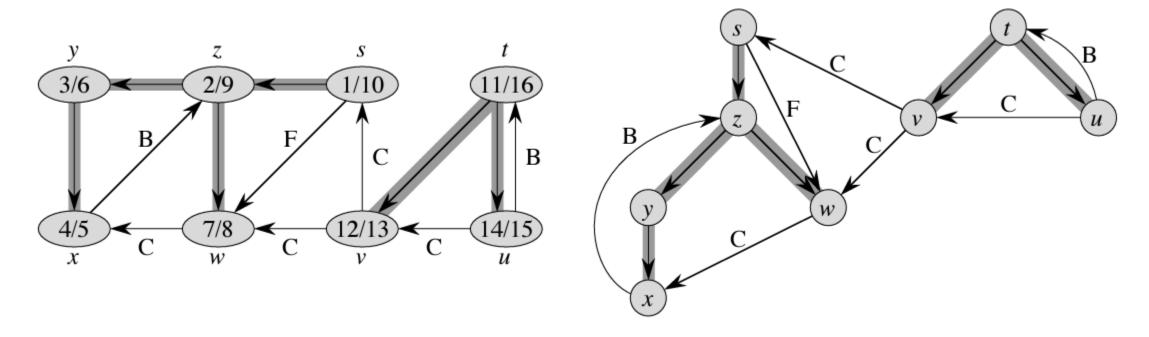
DFS Properties: Parenthesis Structure (CLRS Fig. 22.5)





Theorem 22.7: Parenthesis theorem, about intervals, their inclusions, and their relationships.

Edge Classification from DFS



- Tree edge: When a white vertex is discovered by exploring that edge.
- Back edge: When a gray vertex is seen by exploring that edge.
- Forward edge: When a black vertex is seen by exploring that edge,
 but start time of the from-vertex of that edge is earlier than the finish time of the to-vertex of that edge.
- Cross edge: When a black vertex is seen by exploring that edge, but start time of the from-vertex of that edge is later than the finish time of the to-vertex of that edge.

Note about Formal Proofs

- Individually study the proofs of lemmas, corollaries, and theorems in the textbook, and ask questions if any.
- There might be exam problems related to those proofs.

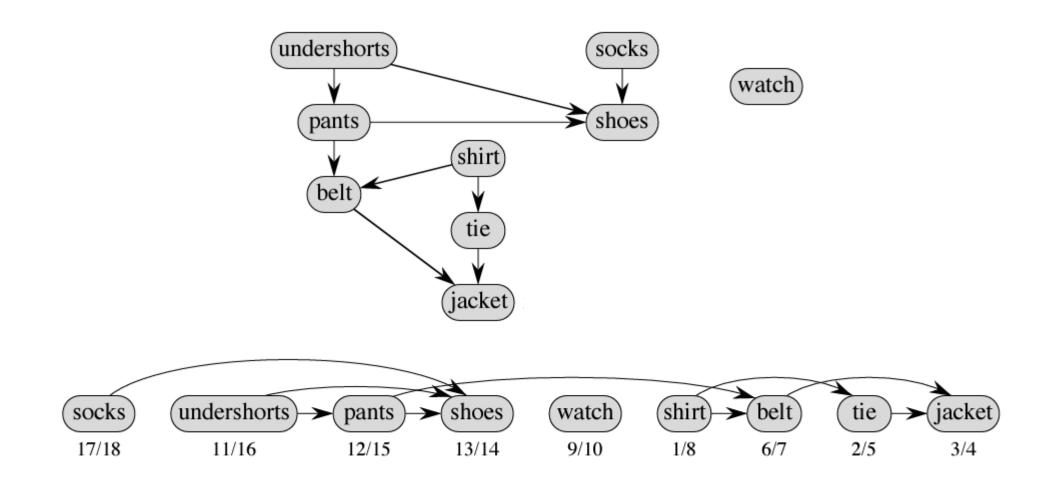
Applications of Graph Traversals

Topological Sort And Strongly Connected Components, Both With DFS

Topological Sort

- Directed-acyclic graph (DAG): A directed graph with no cycles
- Topological sort of a DAG G = (V, E):
 - A linear ordering of all its vertices s.t. if G contains an edge (u, v), then u appears before v in the ordering.
 - If the graph contains a cycle, this is impossible.
- Many examples with precedence/prerequisite requirements on events can be represented using DAGs.
- Scheduling the events with precedence/prerequisite requirements satisfied can be done by topological sort.
- With our DFS() and DFS-VISIT(), it's simply a call to DFS() and listing vertices in descending order of their finish times!

Dressing Sequence Example (CLRS Fig. 22.7)



Curriculum Prerequisite Structure Example

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CSE111: INTR100

CSE221: CSE254 INTR100

CSE243: CSE254

CSE254: CSE111 MATH210 INTR100

CSE258: CSE254 CSE243 INTR100

ECE111: INTR100

ECE201: CSE111 INTR100

INTR100:

MATH210: INTR100

Implementation and Proofs

- Straightforward application of DFS: TOPOLOGICAL-SORT(G)
 - Call DFS(G) to compute finishing time v. f for each vertex v
 - As each vertex is finished, insert it onto the front of a linked list
 - Return the linked list of vertices.
- Straightforward time complexity: $\Theta(V+E)$. Same as DFS.
 - O(1) to insert each of the |V| vertices, so no effect to asymptotic complexity.
- Straightforward correctness proofs: Lemma 22.11 and Theorem 22.12
 - Show for any edge (u, v) in the dag, we have $v \cdot f < u \cdot f$.

Strongly Connected Components

- Definition (Recall from Appendix B)
 - A strongly connected component (SCC) of a digraph G = (V, E) is a maximal set of vertices $C \subseteq V$ s.t. for every pair of vertices $u, v \in C$, they are reachable from each other.

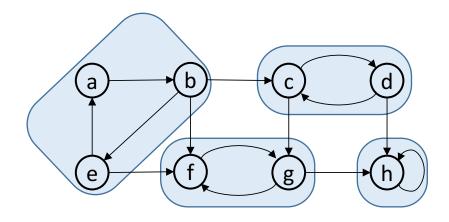


Fig. 22.9 (a) An example digraph G with its SCCs shaded

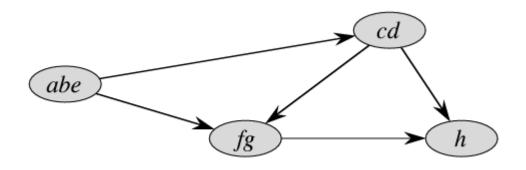
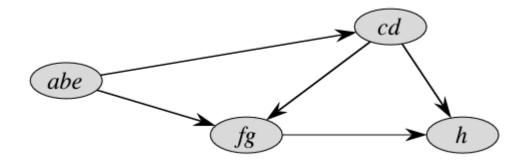


Fig. 22.9 (c) Acyclic component graph G^{SCC} obtained by contracting all edges within each SCC.

How To Find SCCs

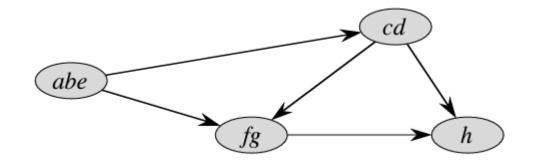


- Note that the contracted acyclic component graph G^{SCC} is a dag!
- If we do a DFS on SCC w/ h (the last in the topological sort), we'll get a DF tree only for that SCC w/ h.
- Then if we do a DFS on SCC w/ fg (the second last in the topological sort), we'll get a DF tree only for that SCC w/ fg (h is already nonwhite, so won't be visited again).

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• That is, if we do DFS on this reverse topological sort order, we are guaranteed to get a depth-first forest whose trees correspond to SCCs!

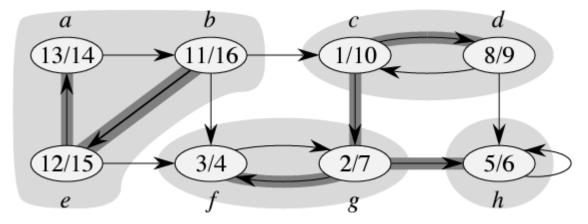
Implementation Details



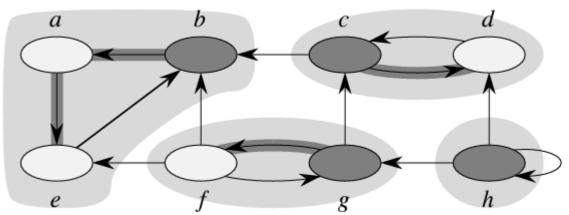
- It's not easy to find the minimum of the finish times of SCCs (the maximum finish time of all vertices in SCC).
- It's easy, though, to find the maximum of the finish times of SCCs.
 - It's just the maximum finish time of the original graph's DFS.
- So the question is how to use the original topological sort order
 - That is, start finding DF trees from abe and move forward, not start from h and move backward.
 - But if we start finding DF trees from abe, then cd, fg, and h will be all reachable (because forward directions)!
 - How can we avoid this? Simple. Reverse edges in original G! (Transpose G^T)

Double DFSs (CLRS Fig. 22.9)

• First DFS to sort vertices in descending order of finish times



• Get G^T and perform second DFS to find DF trees corresponding to connected components



Algorithm and Analysis

STRONGLY-CONNECTED-COMPONENTS (G)

- 1 call DFS(G) to compute finishing times u.f for each vertex u
- 2 compute G^{T}
- 3 call DFS(G^{T}), but in the main loop of DFS, consider the vertices in order of decreasing u.f (as computed in line 1)
- 4 output the vertices of each tree in the depth-first forest formed in line 3 as a separate strongly connected component
- 2 DFSs, still $\Theta(V+E)$.
- Time to create G^T is still O(V + E).
- Thus, this algorithm is still $\Theta(V+E)$.

Formal Correctness Proofs

- Lemmas/Corollaries/Theorems in CLRS Section 22.5
- Formalization of the intuitions presented in earlier slides
- Study the proof individually. Everyone is expected to understand the proofs.